

Al-Ni-Pt (Aluminum-Nickel-Platinum)

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The previous study of this system by [1977Jac] presented a schematic isothermal section at 1060 °C. Recently, two isothermal sections have been determined at 1150 °C by [2005Hay] and at 1100 °C by [2004Gle], respectively.

Binary Systems

The Al-Ni phase diagram [1993Oka] shows five intermediate phases: NiAl₃ (*D0*₁₁, Fe₃C-type orthorhombic), Ni₂Al₃ (*D5*₁₃-type hexagonal), NiAl (*B2*, CsCl-type cubic, also denoted β), Ni₅Al₃ (*Ga*₃Pt₅-type orthorhombic), and

Ni₃Al (*L1*₂, AuCu₃-type cubic; also denoted γ'). The Al-Pt phase diagram [1986Mca] depicts nine intermetallic phases: Pt₅Al₂₁ (cubic), Pt₈Al₂₁ (tetragonal), PtAl₂ (*C1*, CaF₂-type cubic), Pt₂Al₃ (hexagonal), PtAl (*B20*, FeSi-type cubic), β (52 to 56 at.% Pt; *B2*-type cubic), Pt₅Al₃ (*Ge*₃Rh₅-type orthorhombic), Pt₂Al (*PbCl*₂-type orthorhombic above 1060 °C and Pt₂Ga-type orthorhombic below 1060 °C), and Pt₃Al (*L1*₂, AuCu₃-type cubic and low-temperature Pt₃Ga-type tetragonal). The mode and temperature of transition in Pt₃Al have not been established. [1987Oya] found that the low-temperature Pt₃Al forms congruently from the AuCu₃-type at ~250 °C through a martensitic transition. The Ni-Pt phase diagram [1989Nas] depicts a large region of the continuous face-centered cubic (fcc) solid solution of Ni and Pt. At low temperatures, two ordered phases appear NiPt (*L1*₀, AuCu-type tetragonal) and Ni₃Pt (*L1*₂, AuCu₃-type cubic), with the critical temperatures at 645 and 580 °C, respectively.

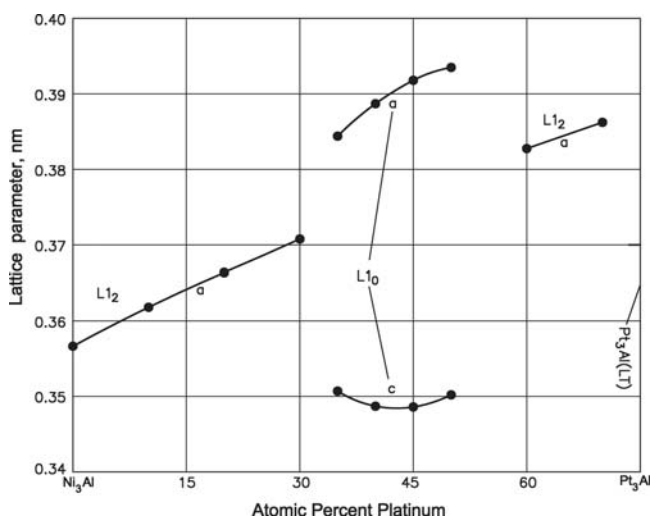


Fig. 1 Al-Ni-Pt lattice parameters of phases along the Ni₃Al-Pt₃Al join [2003Mei]

Ternary Isothermal Sections

In the schematic isothermal section drawn by [1977Jac], no ternary phase is present. [1994Kam] arc melted about ten alloys along the Ni₃Al-Pt₃Al join, using starting metals of 99.99% purity. The alloys were annealed at 1100 °C for 7 d and air cooled. Structural examination with x-ray powder diffraction showed that the Ni₃Al-based *L1*₂ dissolves up to 25 at.% Pt. At 37 and 50 at.% Pt, a ternary phase with the *L1*₀, AuCu-type tetragonal structure is present. [1994Kam] denoted this ternary phase as “NiPt₂Al.” In view of its range of homogeneity, this phase is labeled here as *L1*₀. Between 26 and 32 at.% Pt, a two-phase mixture of *L1*₂ and *L1*₀ is stable. At compositions close to Pt₃Al, the *L1*₂ phase is

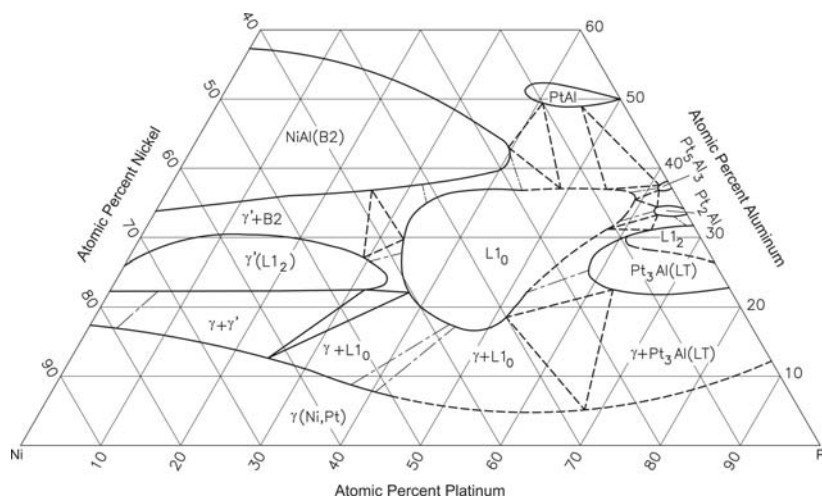


Fig. 2 Al-Ni-Pt tentative isothermal section at 1150 °C [2005Hay]

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again stable. [2003Mei] studied the same join (Ni_3Al - Pt_3Al) and found no continuous solution between these phases either in rapid liquid quenching or by heat treatment. The Ni_3Al -based $L1_2$ dissolves up to 30 at.% Pt. Between 35 and 50 at.% Pt, the $L1_0$ phase is stable. The Pt_3Al -based $L1_2$ phase is stable between 60 and 70 at.% Pt. At the Pt-end, the low-temperature Pt_3Ga -type tetragonal phase is stable. The boundaries of the two-phase regions between these phases are not clearly demarcated in the results of [2003Mei]. The lattice parameters determined by [2003Mei] are shown in Fig. 1. The c/a ratio of the $L1_0$ phase is less than unity (0.912 to 0.890), in contrast to the ratio for Pt_3Al (LT) of more than unity (1.010 to 1.011).

[2004Gle] determined a partial isothermal section for Al-poor alloys of this ternary system applicable for the temperature range of 1150 to 1100 °C. A more detailed study was carried out by [2005Hay] at 1150 °C. With starting metals of ~99.99 wt.% purity, [2005Hay] arc melted alloy compositions for preparing the diffusion couples, which were annealed at 1150 °C for 50 h and quenched. The phase equilibria were determined by a combination of experimental techniques, including high-temperature synchrotron x-ray diffraction, scanning electron microscopy, and electron probe microanalysis. The partial isothermal section constructed by [2005Hay] at 1150 °C is redrawn in Fig. 2 to agree with the accepted binary data. Except for the ($\gamma + \gamma' + L1_0$) equilibrium, the triangulations shown in Fig. 2 are schematic.

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