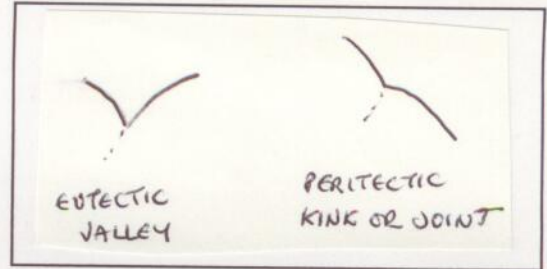


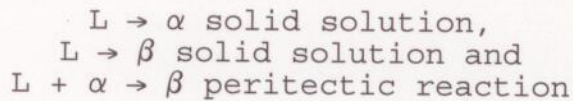
**ii) Peritectic Reaction:  $L + \alpha \rightarrow \beta$**

Example comprises: 1 continuous solid solution,  
2 binary peritectic reactions.

The two liquidus surfaces (N.B. each surface has a different primary solidification product) meet at a sloping "kink" or "joint" which is equivalent to the primary separation of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .



In the binary peritectic reaction have a straight line, i.e. an invariant reaction, but in the ternary reaction, the peritectic reaction is NOT invariant. I.e. there are surfaces for:

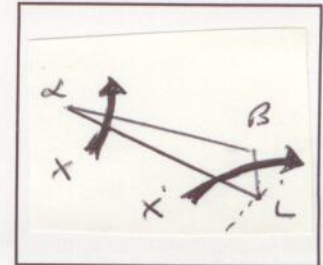


since these do NOT lie in the same plane, except at the binaries. This implies, like the eutectic tie-triangles, the triangles narrow towards the binaries.

In peritectic tie triangles, the product is dragged behind, i.e. "bum drags".

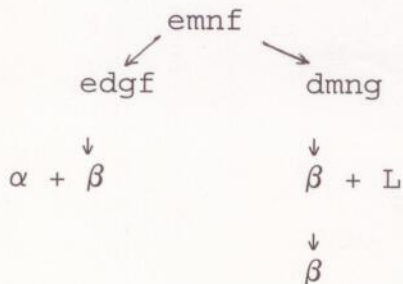
The ternary reaction is like the binary peritectic, and depends on the compositions:

PRIMARY SOLIDIFICATION SURFACE	FINAL SOLID PRODUCT
$\alpha + L$	$\alpha$ $\alpha + \beta$ $\beta$
$\beta + L$	$\beta$

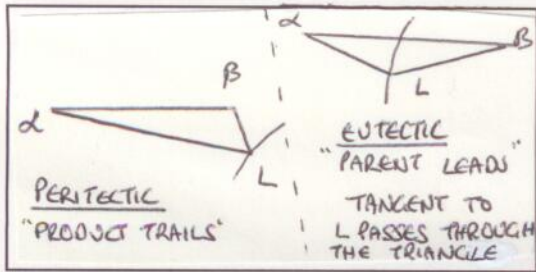


The peritectic reaction only occurs once the temperature has decreased to the liquidus, i.e. the liquid composition follows the liquidus by sliding down, until the liquid composition is on MN, and simultaneously the solid composition is on EF.

**Projected view:** This shows the final products of solidification. Anything in the area emnf undergoes the peritectic reaction:



### iii) Transition between Eutectic and peritectic reactions:



The tie triangles change shape.:  
In the **peritectic reaction tie triangle**, the joint lies outside, whereas in the **eutectic tie triangle**, the valley passes through the tie triangle.

**Microstructure:** Inside the ternary, the microstructure is nearly all peritectic in nature close to the peritectic

reaction, and the same is true for the eutectic reaction. In the middle of the ternary there is a mixture of microstructures (i.e. change over in reaction: from an intimate eutectic appearance to a "chewed" peritectic one, that is chunky in appearance, and has been consumed).

Can change from eutectic to peritectic (e.g. Mo-Ru-Pd) and vice versa.

### v) Systems with a solid state miscibility gap:

**Critical points:** N on liquidus and F on solidus. The critical points appear to be disjointed on the eutectic, because N is in equilibrium with F.

**SYSTEMS WITH 4 PHASES:** L,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$

#### i) Ternary eutectic:

When there are 3 binary eutectic reactions, there is USUALLY a ternary eutectic of reaction:



at a lower temperature. This reaction is a point, i.e. **invariant reaction**. The degrees of freedom = 0.

As the **liquid cools and solidifies**, have 3 tie triangles moving closer together, and at the ternary eutectic (temperature) they meet, and join.

On the projected view, all of the arrows (of the binary eutectic reactions) point inwards.

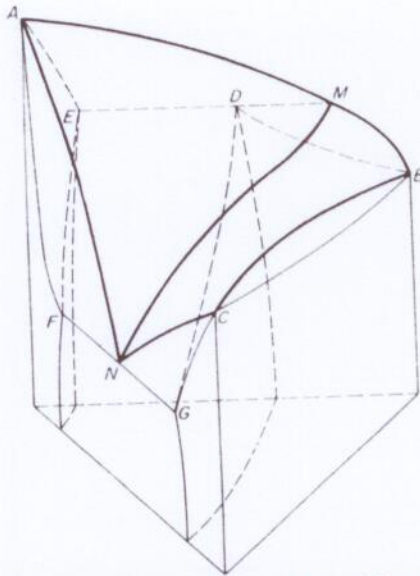
#### E.g. Solidification: (say A-rich)

L cools, until the liquidus is reached, then  $L \rightarrow \alpha$ . The liquid composition slides down the liquidus surface, until it meets the valley at which the binary reaction occurs:  $L \rightarrow \alpha + \beta$

On more cooling, the liquid composition slides down this valley until the ternary eutectic "point" is reached, and the reaction:  $L \rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma$  occurs. Sometimes the liquid is used up prior to this, and this depends on the alloy composition.



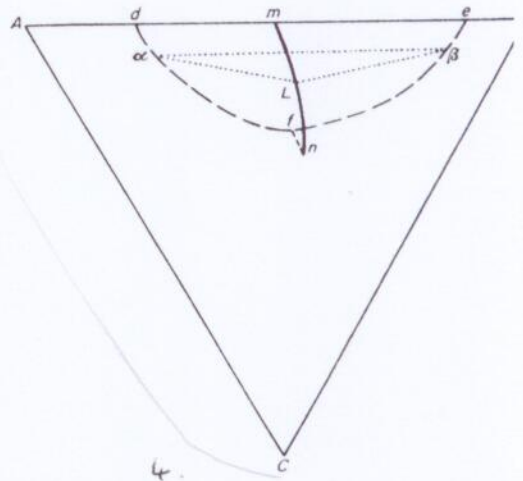
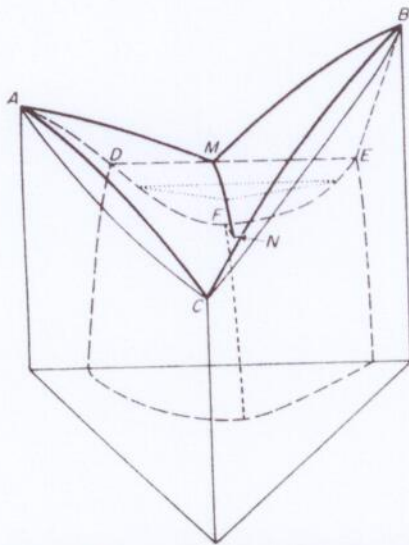
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Projected view of system

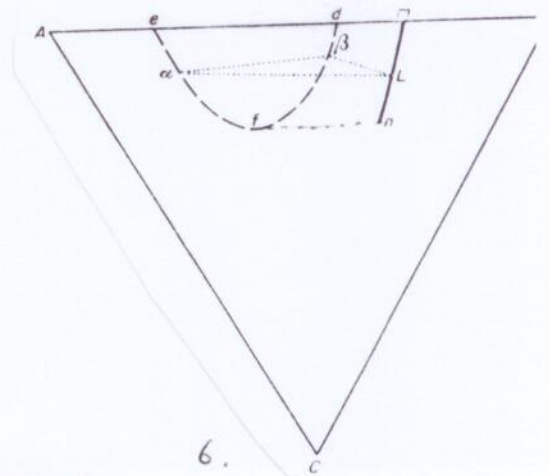
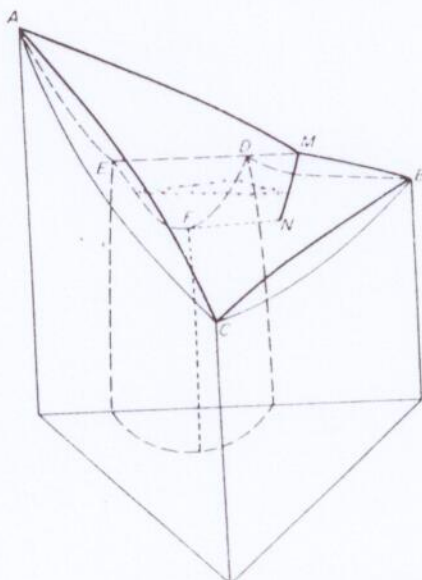
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1. Space model of system showing a transition between a peritectic and a eutectic reaction



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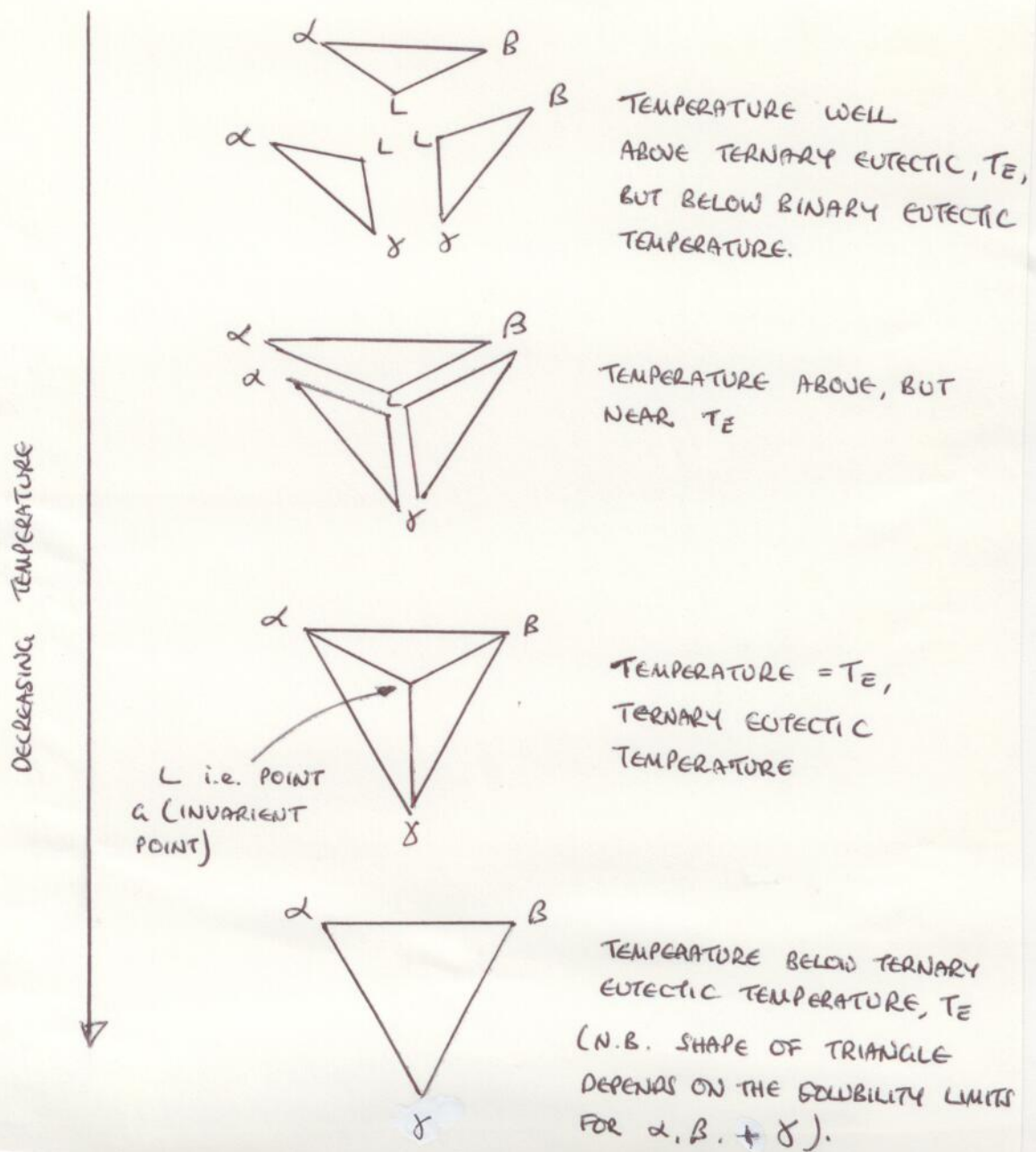
3. Space model of a system containing a eutectic reaction in which the solid state miscibility gap closes within the system



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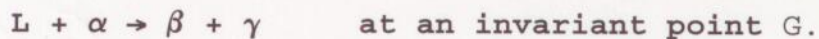
5. Space model of a system containing a peritectic reaction in which the solid state miscibility gap closes within the system

HYPOTHETICAL TIE TRIANGLES FOR TERNARY EUTECTIC.



ii) Ternary Peritectic reactions:

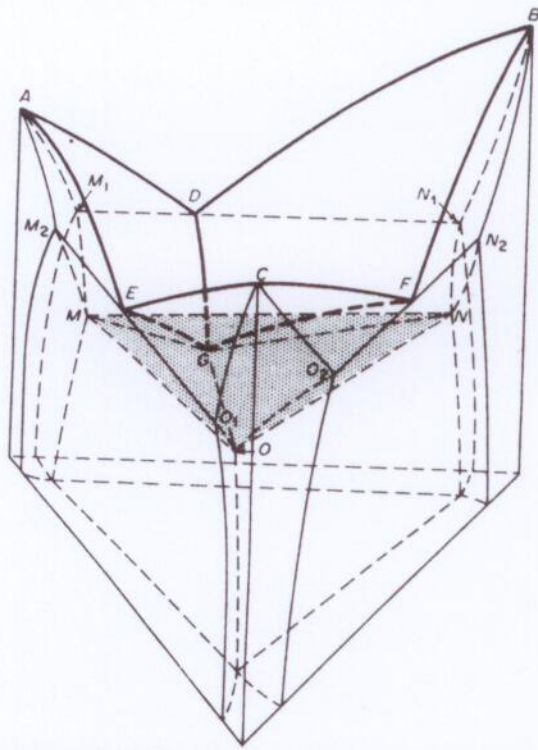
a) E.g. Ternary Peritectic: 1 peritectic + 2 eutectic binaries:



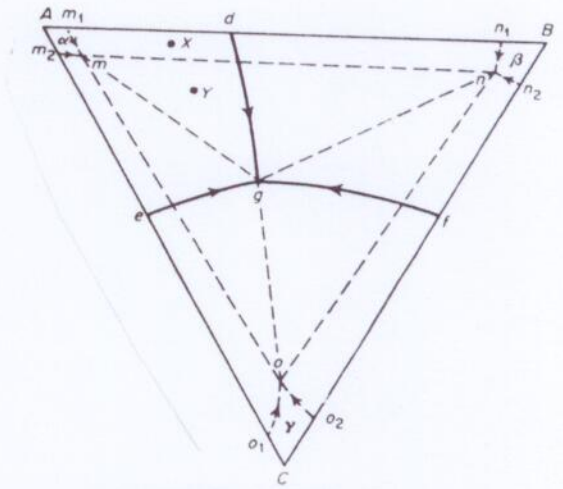
- At DG =  $L + \alpha \rightarrow \beta$  Peritectic reaction G:  $L + \alpha \rightarrow \beta + \gamma$   
 At EG =  $L \rightarrow \alpha + \gamma$   
 At GF =  $L \rightarrow \beta + \gamma$

N.B. Each reaction curve (ie where liquidus surfaces meet) has a series of tie triangles. The whole ternary can be seen as two sets

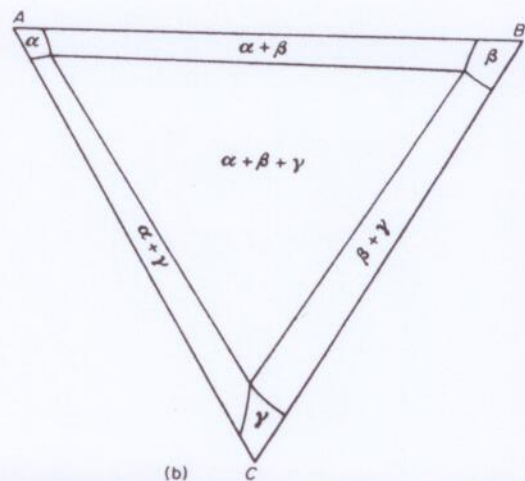
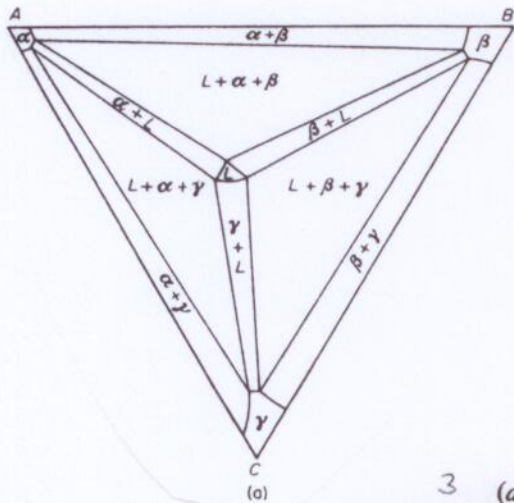




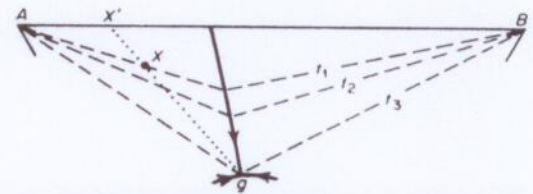
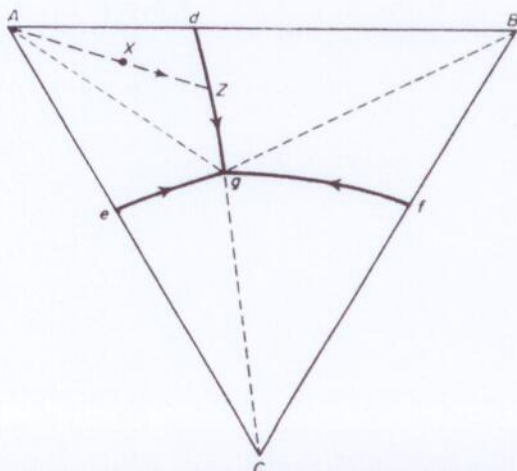
1. Space model of system showing a ternary eutectic reaction  
 $L \rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma$



2. Projected view of system



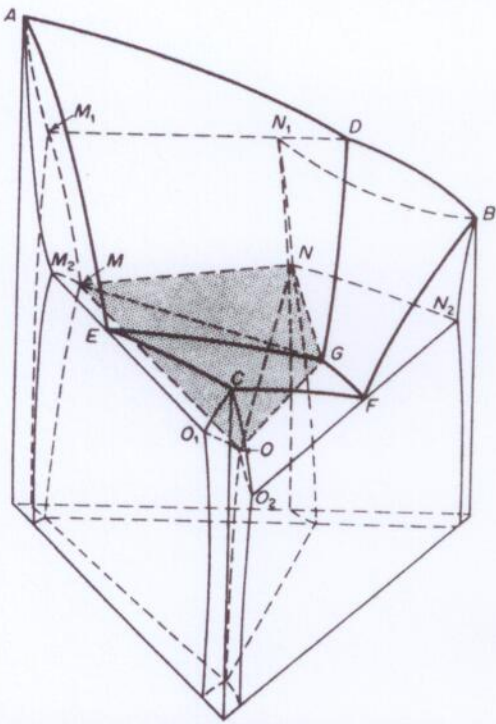
3 (a) Isothermal sections through the system at a temperature above the ternary eutectic temperature, but below the temperatures of the eutectic reactions in the three binary systems  
 (b) at a temperature below that of the ternary eutectic



Tie-triangles illustrating the progress of the eutectic reaction  
 $L \rightarrow A + B$  in the system

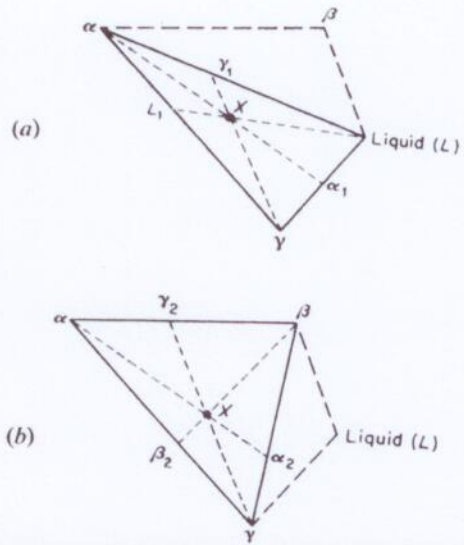
4 Projected view of ternary eutectic system  $L \rightarrow A + B + C$

5  
 Eutectic ternary producing  
 pure A, B, C  
 (ie no solid solution)

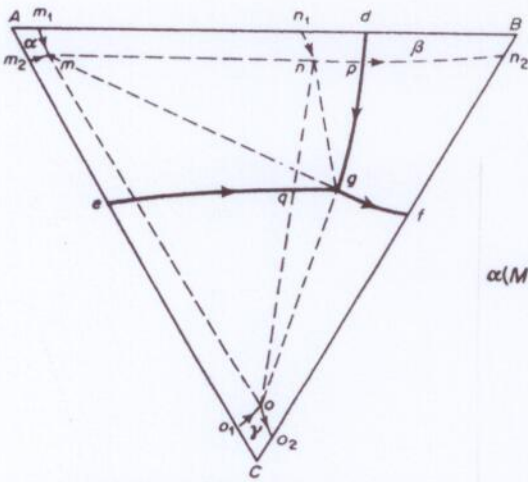


1. Space model of system showing a ternary peritectic reaction  
 $L + \alpha \rightarrow \beta + \gamma$

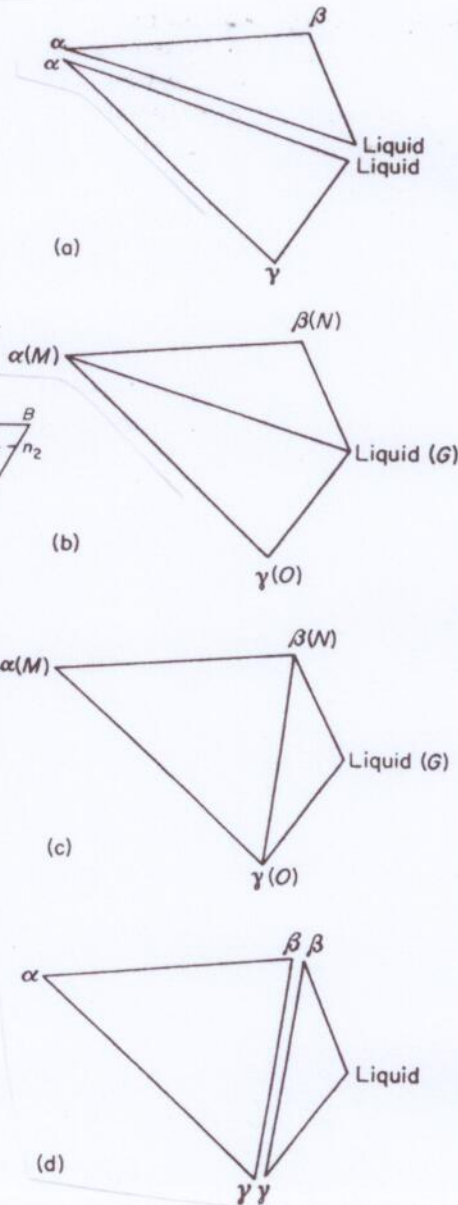
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2. Tie-triangles at the ternary peritectic temperature used to calculate the percentages of the phases present in alloy X before and after the occurrence of the invariant reaction



3. Projected view of system



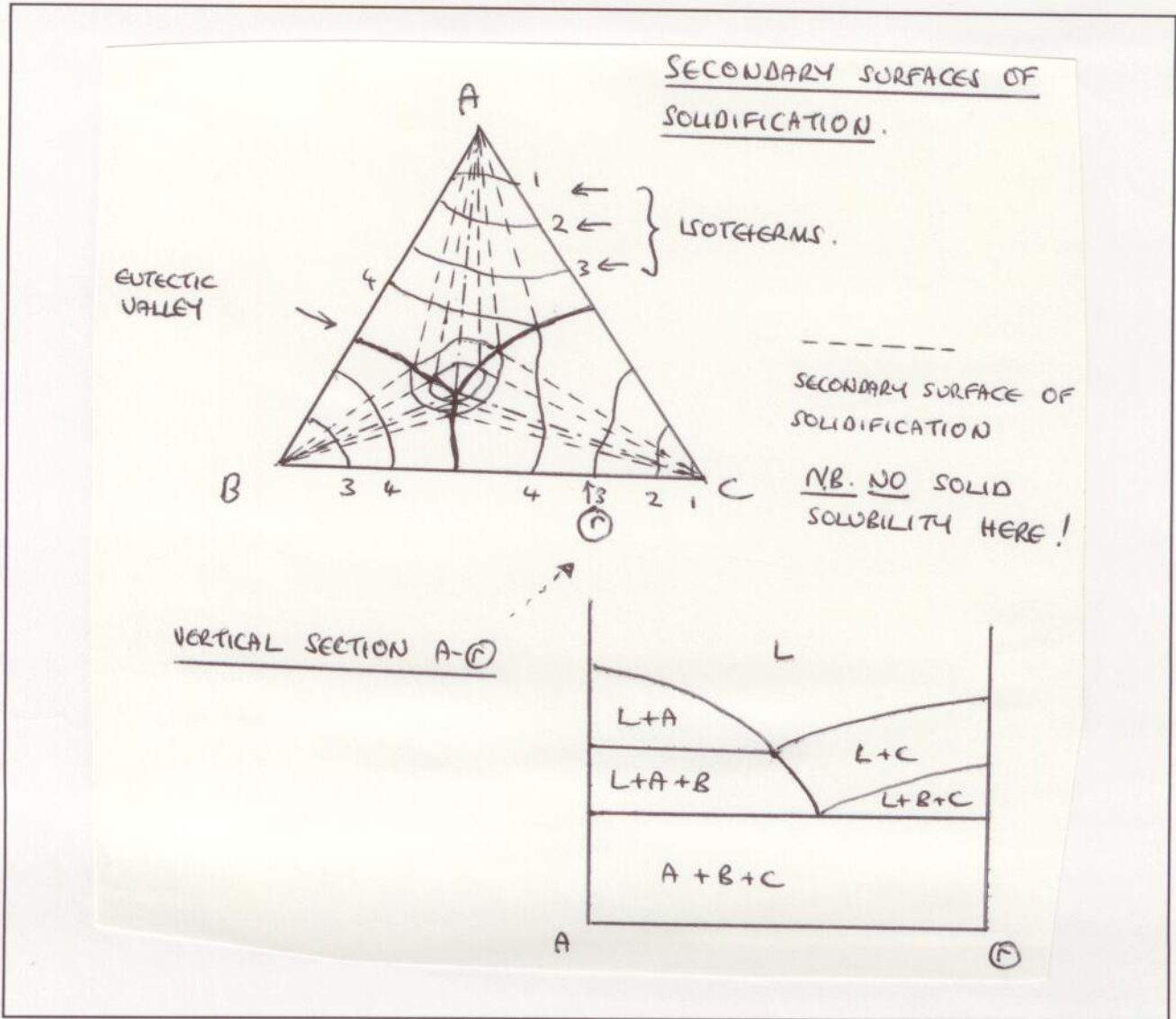
(a) at a temperature just above that of the ternary peritectic;

(b) and (c) at the ternary peritectic temperature;

(d) below the ternary peritectic temperature

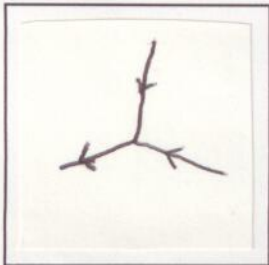
4. Tie-triangles





of tie triangles:

One of the sets comprises two individual triangles comes together: eutectic and peritectic. These are joined for an instant i.e. in the temperature of the peritectic plane:



At lower temperatures, there is a separation: to the eutectic triangle, which changes location with lowering temperature (i.e. "flows away nose first"), and the stationary 3-phase triangle, where there is no further reaction, since all liquid has been consumed.

Projected View:

Liquidus valleys divide up the liquidus surface into areas of different primary solidification:

$\alpha$	-	Aegd
$\beta$	-	Bdgf
$\gamma$	-	Cfge

For solid solubility regions:

$\alpha$	-	A	$m_1$	m	$m_2$
$\beta$	-	B	$n_1$	n	$n_2$
$\gamma$	-	C	$o_1$	o	$o_2$

Anything in the region bounded by:

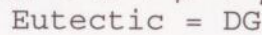
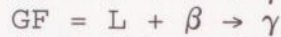
- **mng**: undergoes the ternary peritectic reaction.
- **mno**:  $\rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma$ .
- **ngo**:  $\alpha$  is consumed, and the liquid composition goes down eutectic valley forming  $\beta + \gamma$ .
- **npg**: the liquid composition short-cuts, and goes from pg, across the  $\beta$  liquidus, to gf, i.e. no peritectic reaction occurs.

Isothermal sections: The second diagram should be similar to the ternary projection, assuming no change in solid solubility with decreasing temperature (usually can consider negligible differences).

b) E.g. Ternary Peritectic: Two peritectic and 1 eutectic binary:

Reaction  $L + \alpha + \beta \rightarrow \gamma$  which is invariant (G).

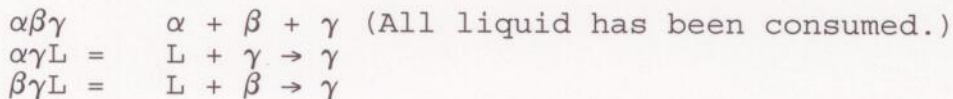
From the invariant plane, 2 peritectic reactions "flow" (i.e. two series of tie triangles) with decreasing temperature:



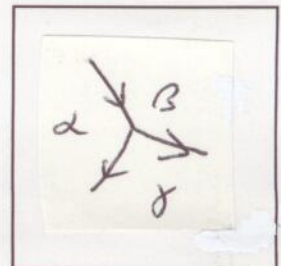
Considering tie triangles:

three triangles:

- 1)  $\alpha\beta L$  triangle of the eutectic reaction
- 2) 3 triangles "joined" at peritectic temperature - actually a single peritectic plane, i.e invariant reaction
- 3) Below the peritectic temperature invariant plane, the 3 individual triangles split up:



Projected view: The arrows of the reactions flow outwards, and divide the surface into areas of primary solidification.



Areas of solid solubility:

$\alpha$	-	A	$m_1$	m	$m_2$
$\beta$	-	B	$n_1$	n	$n_2$
$\gamma$	-	C	$o_1$	o	$o_2$

(N.B. Peritectic)

Isothermal Sections:

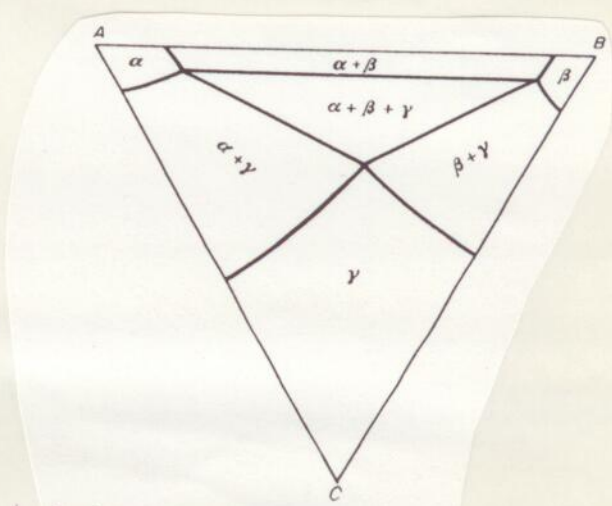
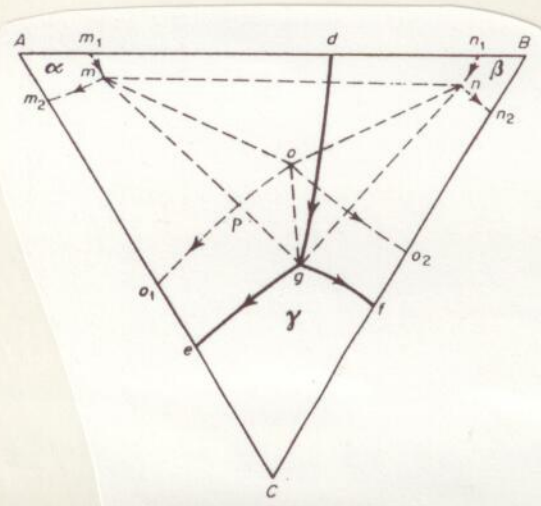
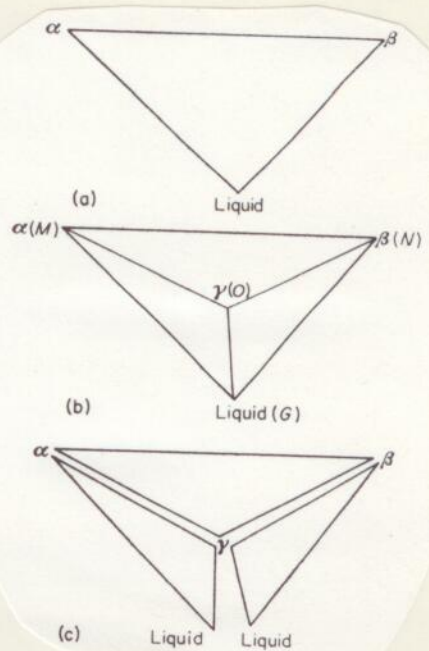
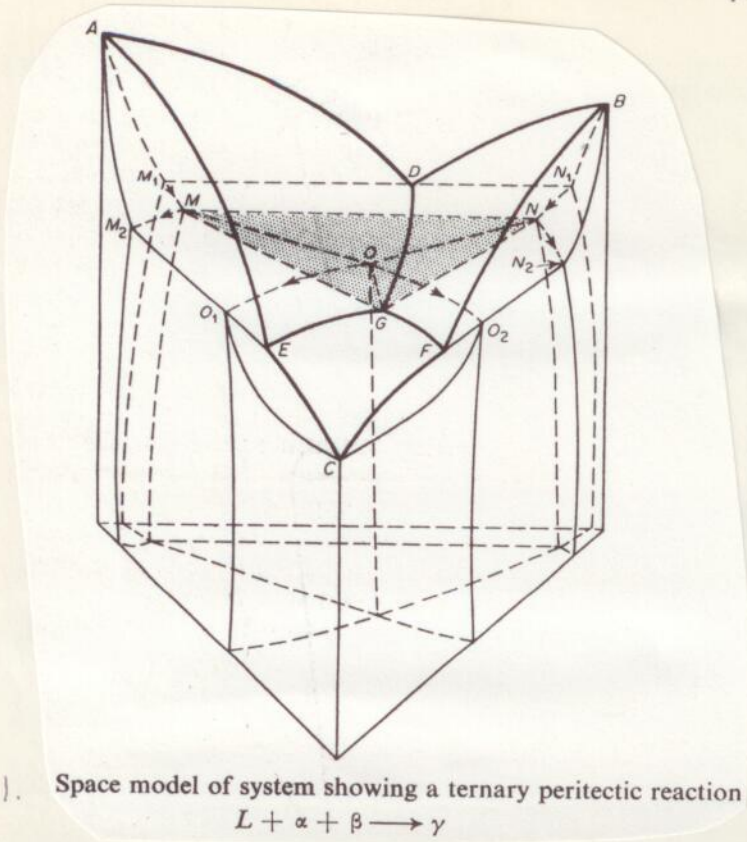
Anything within regions bounded by:

**mng**: undergoes eutectic reaction.

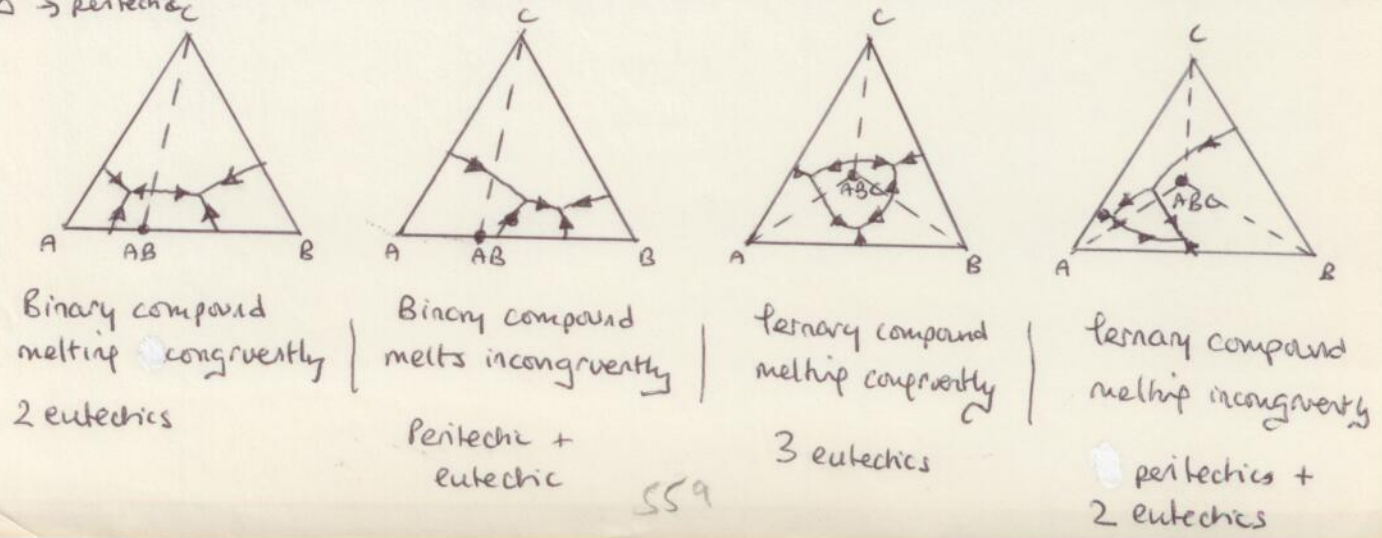
**mno**: Forms 3 phases:  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$

other parts of the triangle **mng**: follow on to peritectics.





If have other phases, divide up into compatibility  $\Delta$ s: Reaction in  $\Delta \rightarrow$  eutectic. Reaction outside  $\Delta \rightarrow$  peritectic



Isothermal section:  
compare to projected view.

SYSTEMS WITH MORE THAN 4 PHASES: USE OF INTERPHASE COMPATIBILITY TRIANGLES

"Join the dots" of the phases. might have to use at least one of the pure phases (i.e. at the apex of composition triangle), to help starting.

Now have drawn "compatibility triangles"

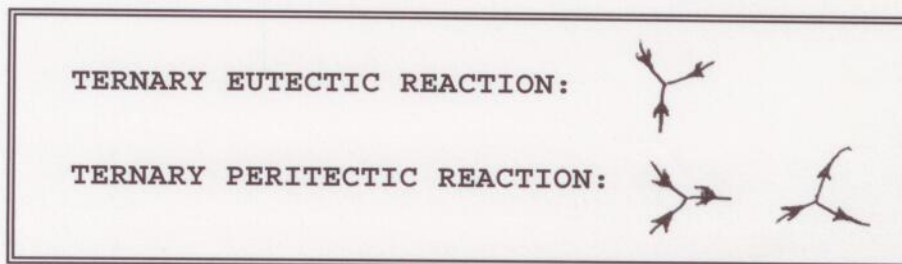
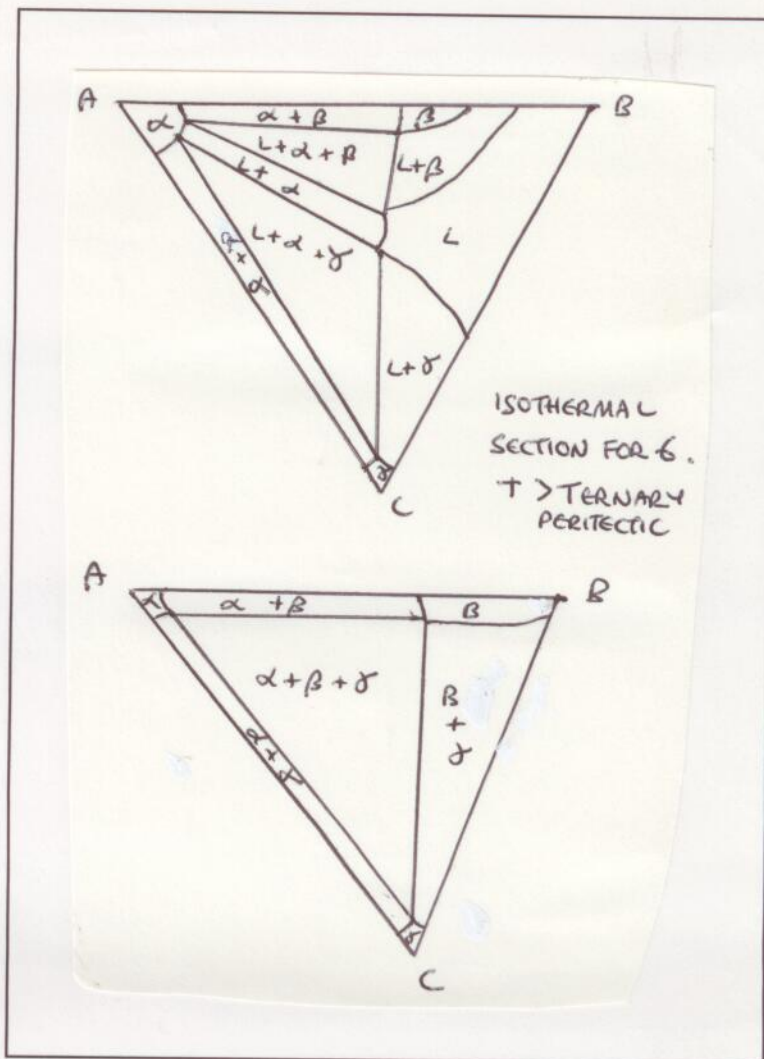
**N.B.** There should be as many of the compatibility triangles as there are 3 reactions valleys/joints meeting at a point. (CHECK!!)

EACH compatibility triangle has a reaction associated with it:

REACTIONS LYING INSIDE THE TRIANGLE ARE EUTECTIC,

REACTIONS LYING OUTSIDE THE TRIANGLE ARE PERITECTIC.

Always works!



QUATERNARY SYSTEMS

These are systems with 4 components, and are more difficult to represent.

The quaternary isothermal "section" is a tetrahedron, where the faces are the ternaries, and the edges are the binaries (at whatever temperature).

Application of the phase rule gives:

Invariant points have 5 phases in equilibrium.  
There are 4 phases in equilibrium on line, and 3 phases in equilibrium on a surface.



