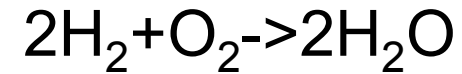
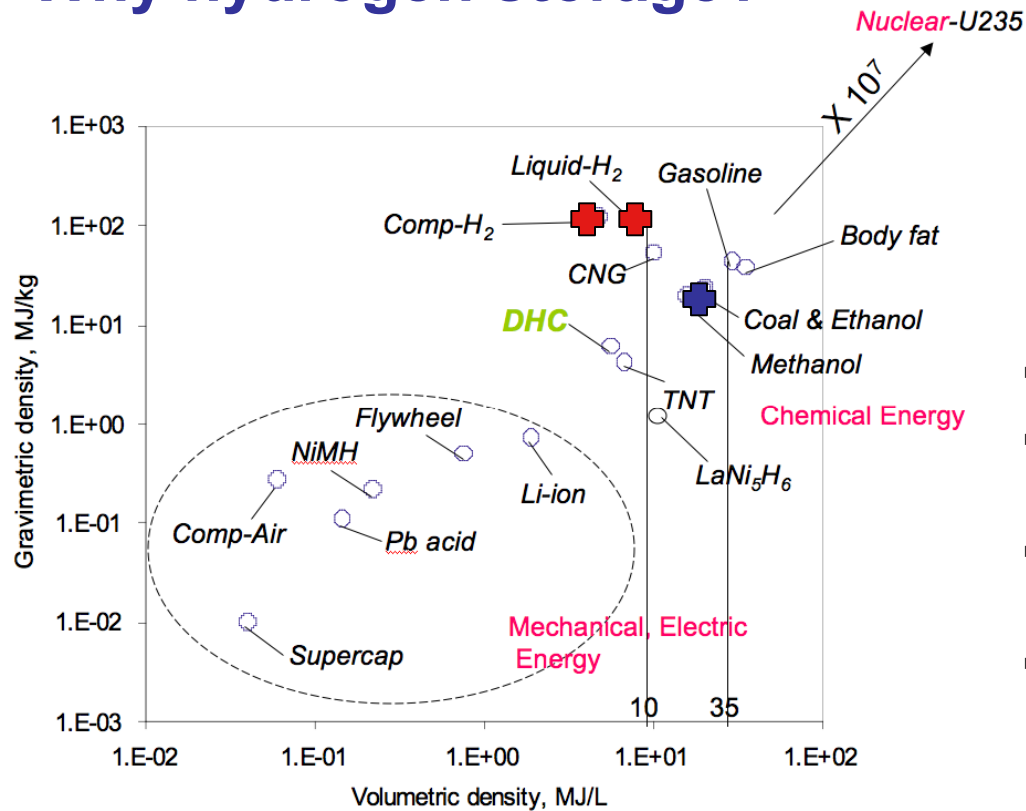


Materials for Hydrogen Storage

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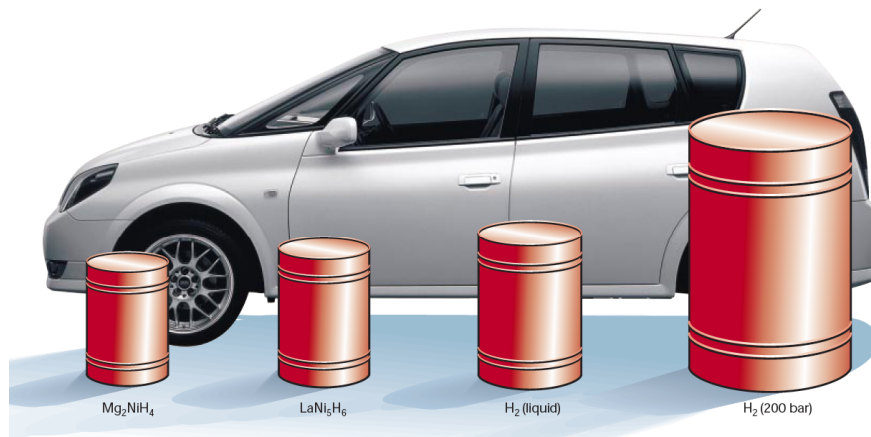
Why hydrogen storage?



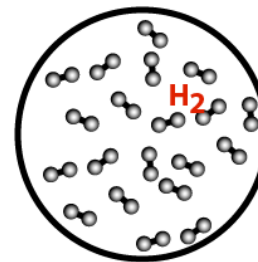
How to compact H for automotive applications ?

(6 kg of H per 300 miles)

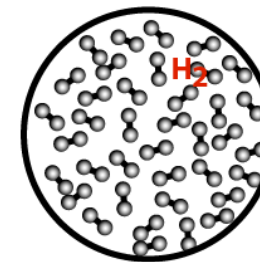
- Weight and volume of container
- Time of compaction/fueling (5 min/6 kg)
- Temperature and pressure (<150 C° and 0.3/1.2 MPa)
- Other issues: cost, cycling, heat of reaction



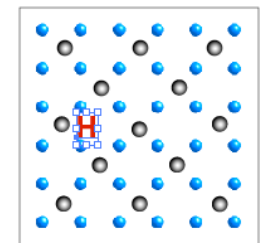
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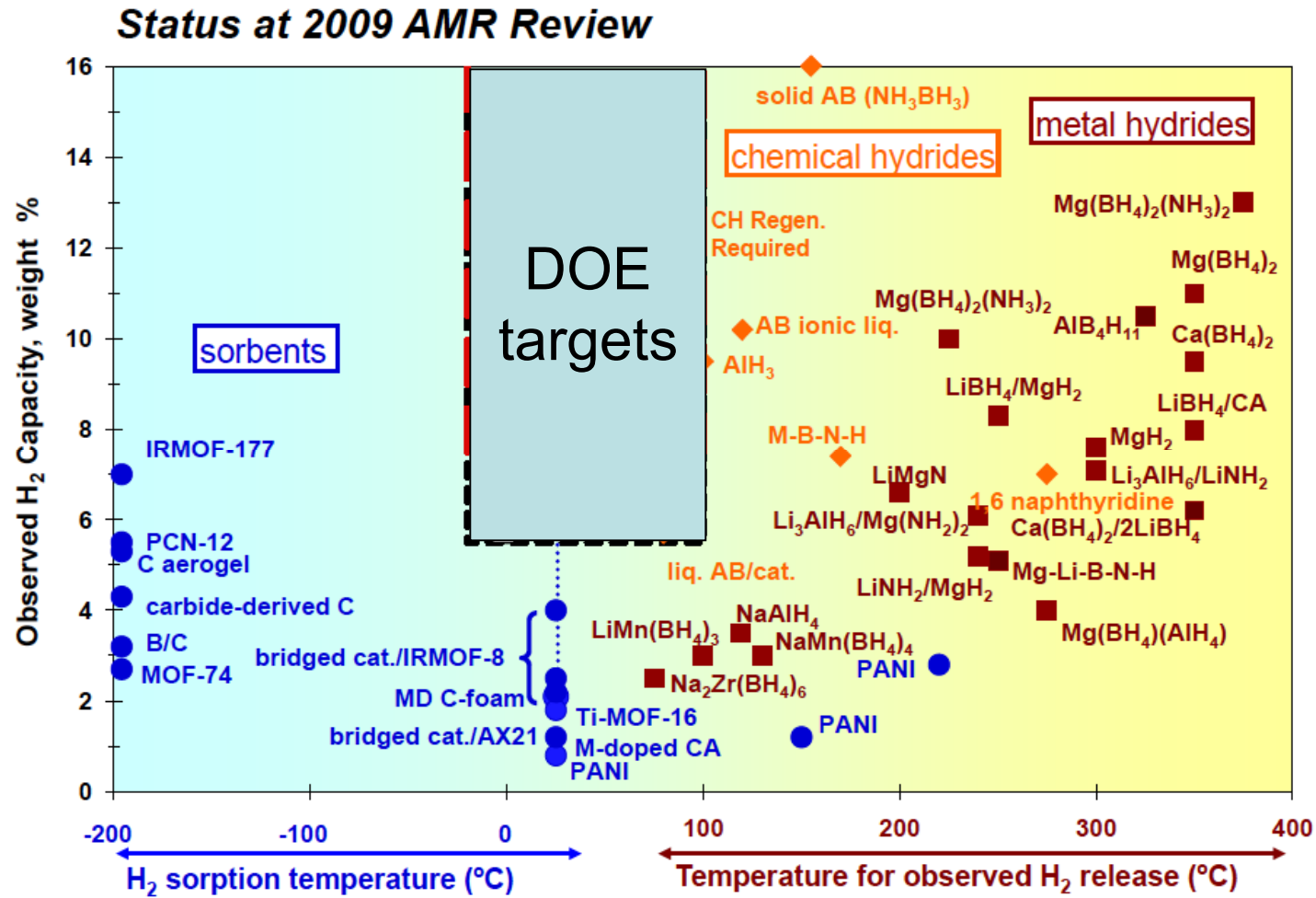
Liquid



Solid



Solid-state hydrogen storage



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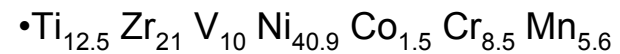
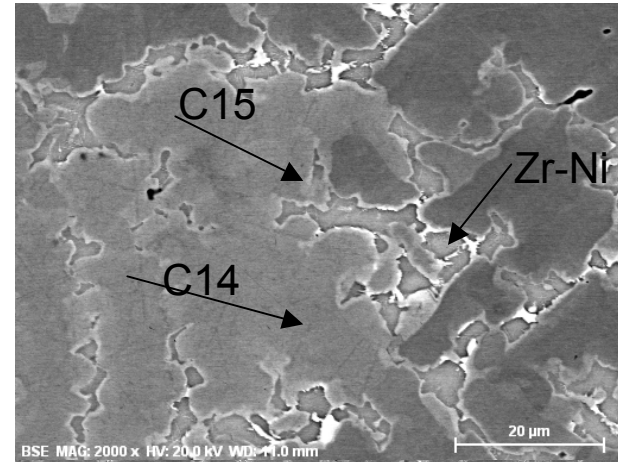
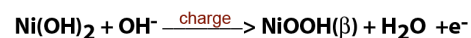
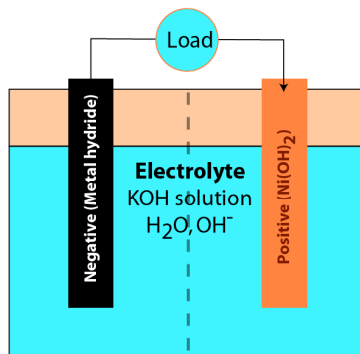
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Raman/PCI, IR emissivity/PCI

Films

Combinatorial high-throughput, kinetics

Ni-MH electrochemical cell



Prediction of a microstructure in multicomponent systems (CALPHAD, solidification path by THERMO-CALC)

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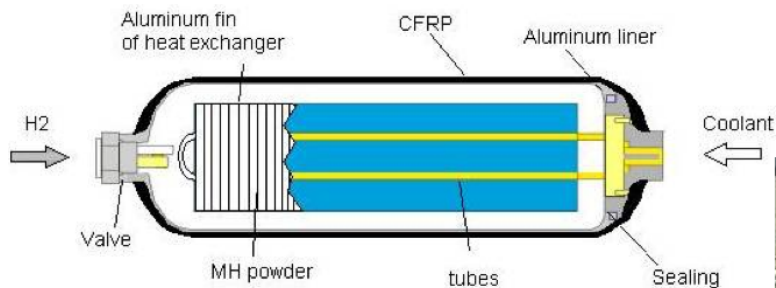
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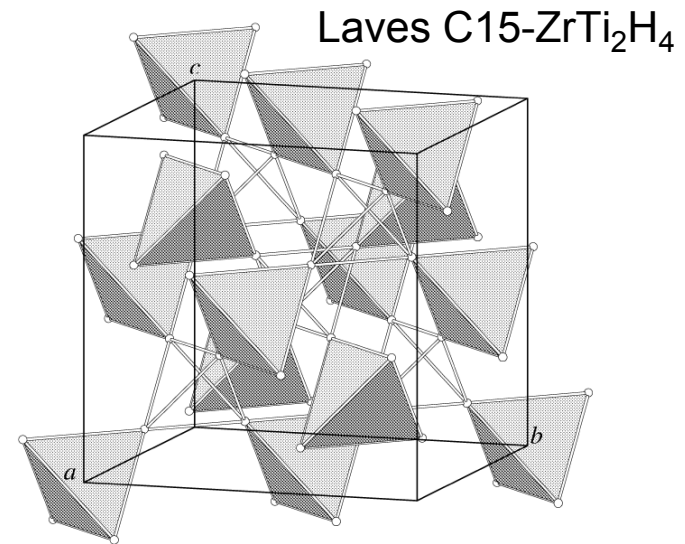
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High-Pressure Metal Hydride Tank for Fuel Cell Vehicles (Toyota)



Ti-Cr-V-Mn bcc interstitial alloys



Maximizing H capacity in compounds:
Distribution of hydrogen in interstitial sites
(tetrahedral, octahedral, other)

AB₂H₍₃₋₆₎ compare to AB₂T₁₂

Chemistry (energy) of T: AB₃, A₂B₂, A₄ etc

Max occupancy for multicomponent compound

Path of filling the sites (blocking effect)

Effect on PCI curves

Stress

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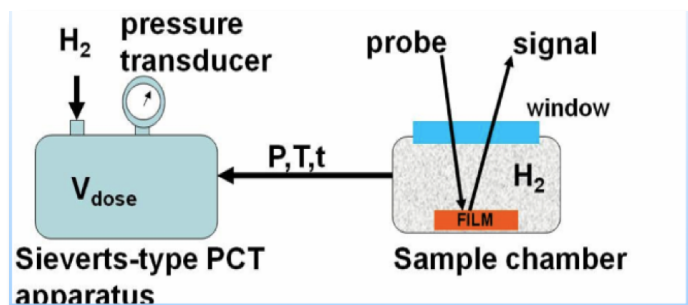
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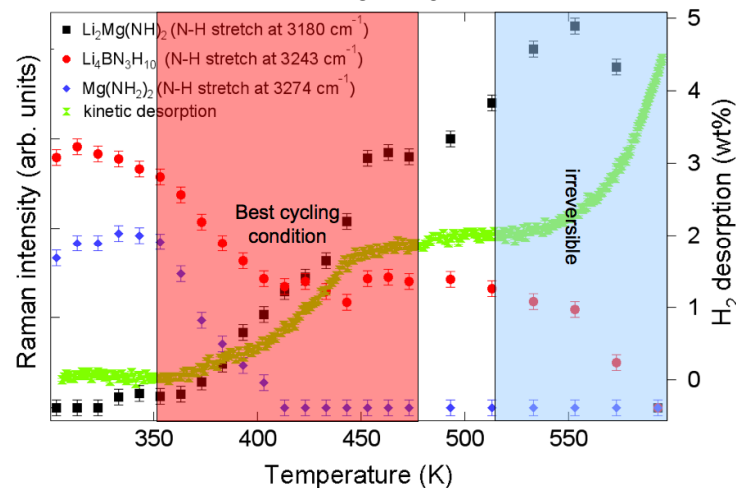
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Nano Li₄BN₃H₁₀ - MgH₂



Identifying phases, modeling Raman or IR vibration modes

Calculating Raman intensities as a function of phase fraction or concentration in solid solution

Understanding optics, scattering from irregular surfaces (powders), depth

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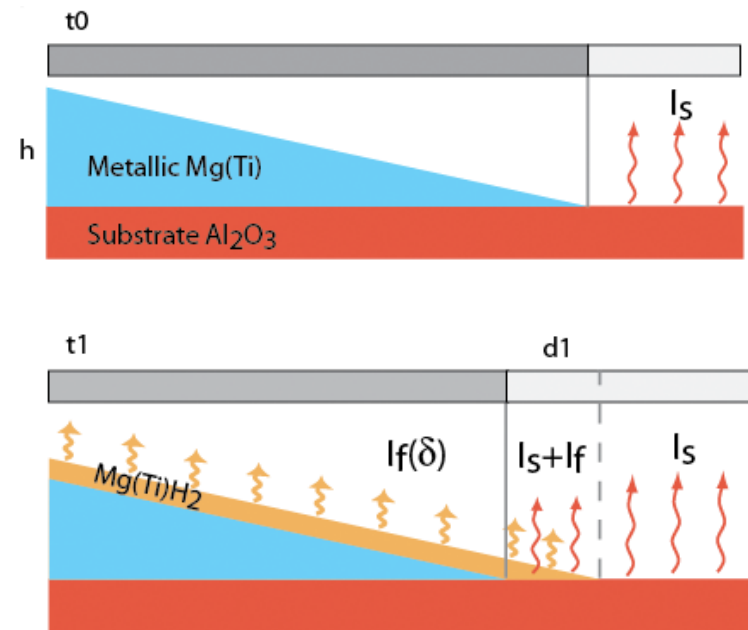
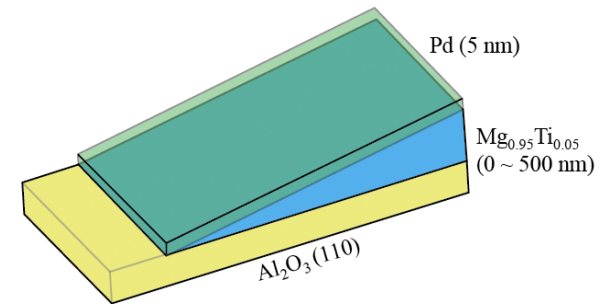
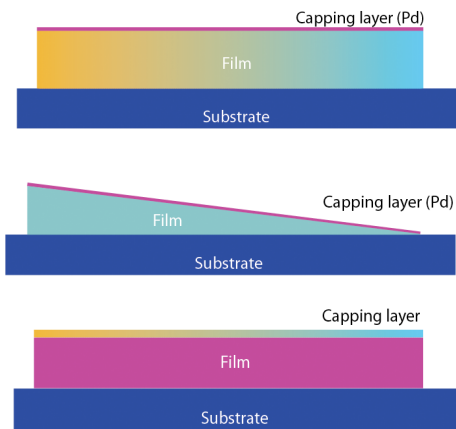
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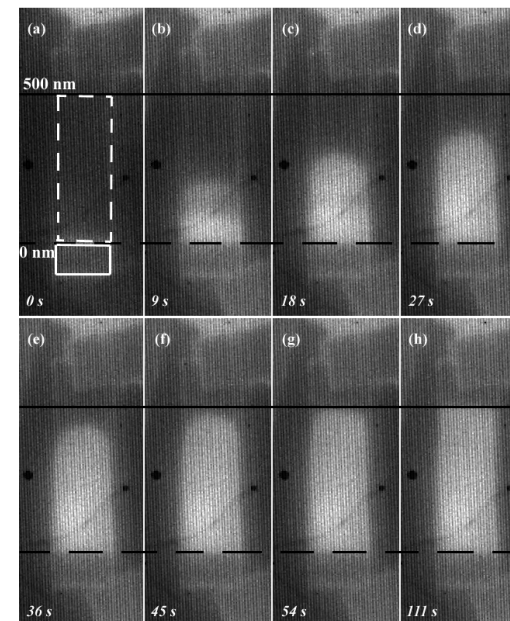
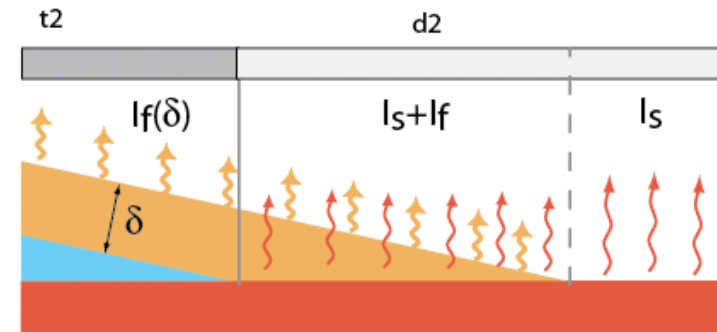
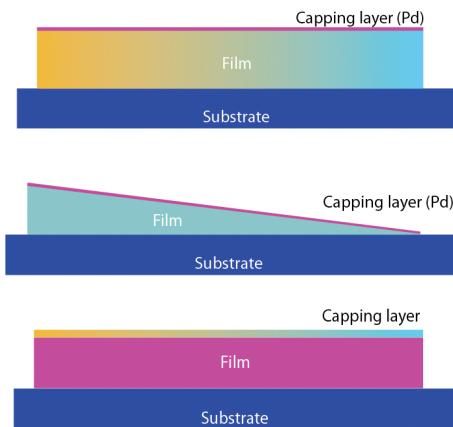
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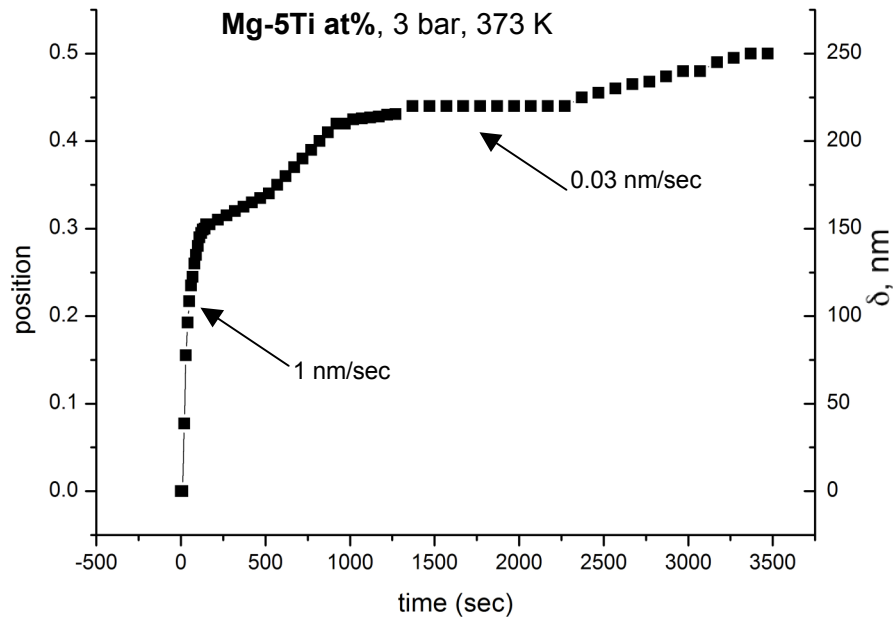
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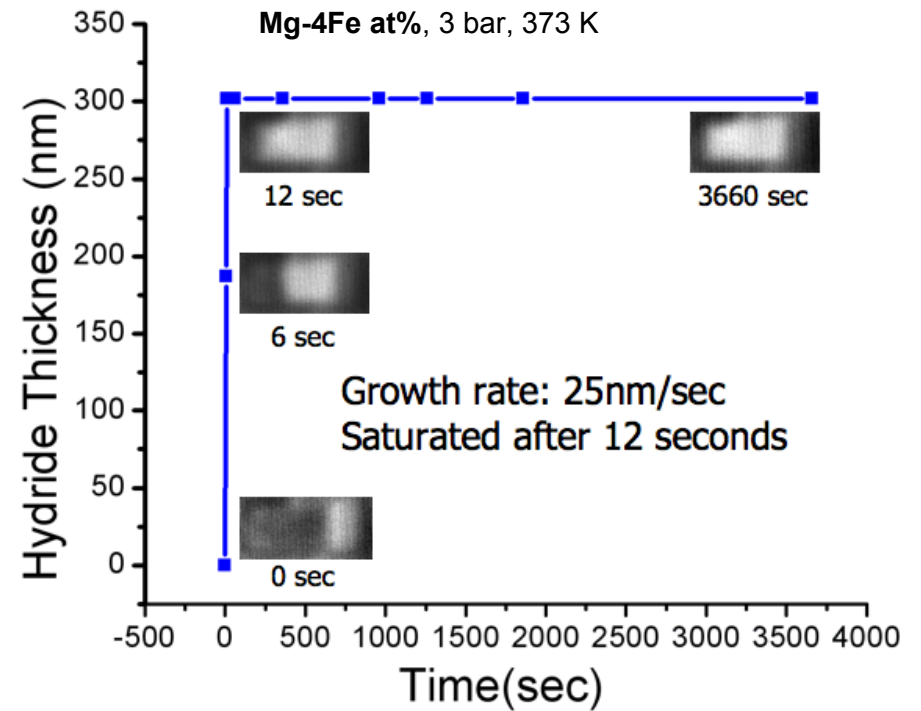


IR imaging: kinetics of growth in Mg-TM wedge films

Mg, Mg-Ti

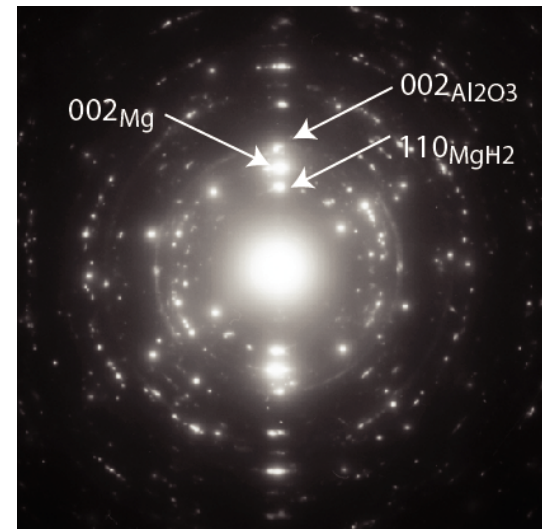
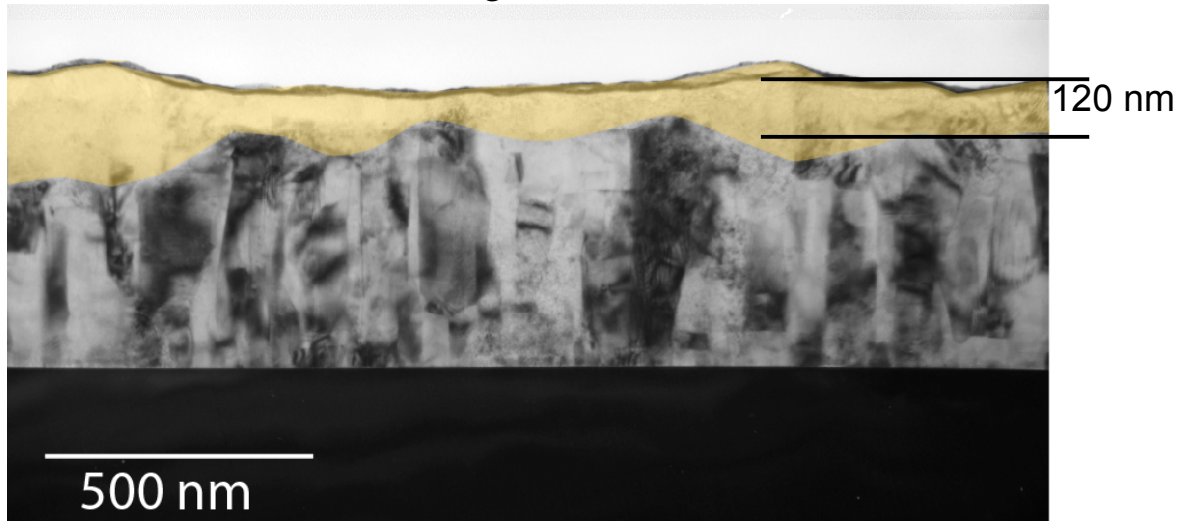


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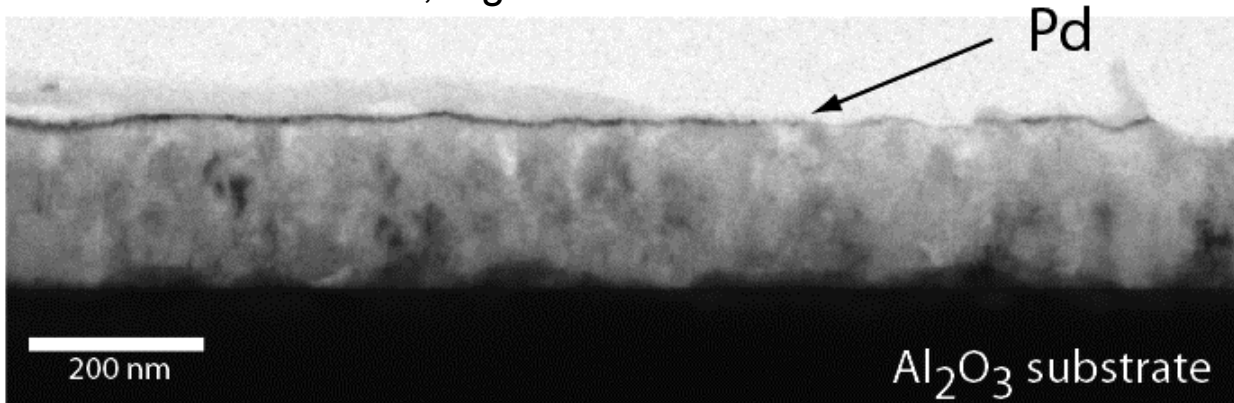


Hydrogenated Mg-Ti and Mg-Fe wedge films: TEM

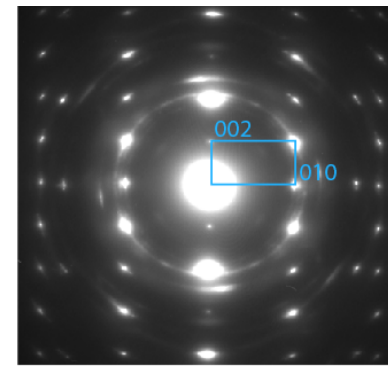
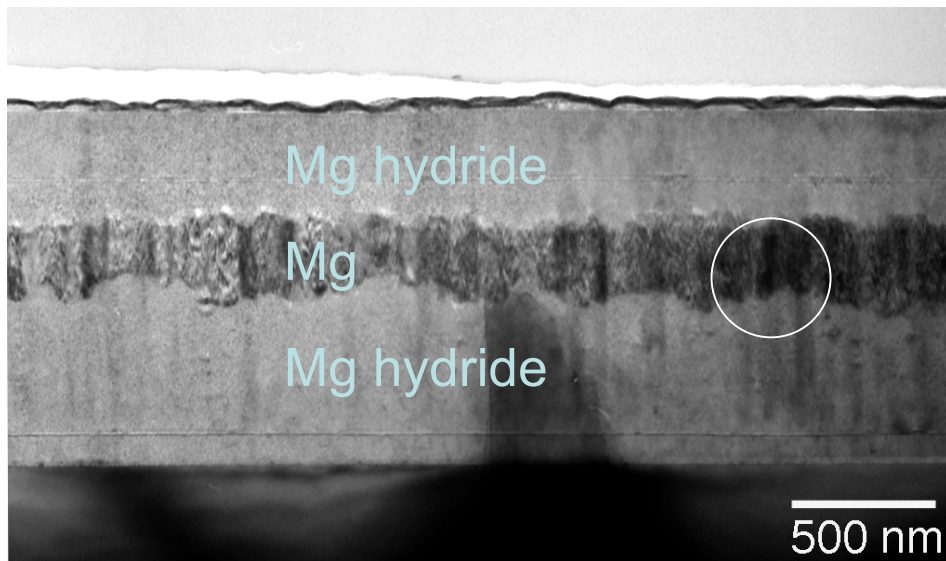
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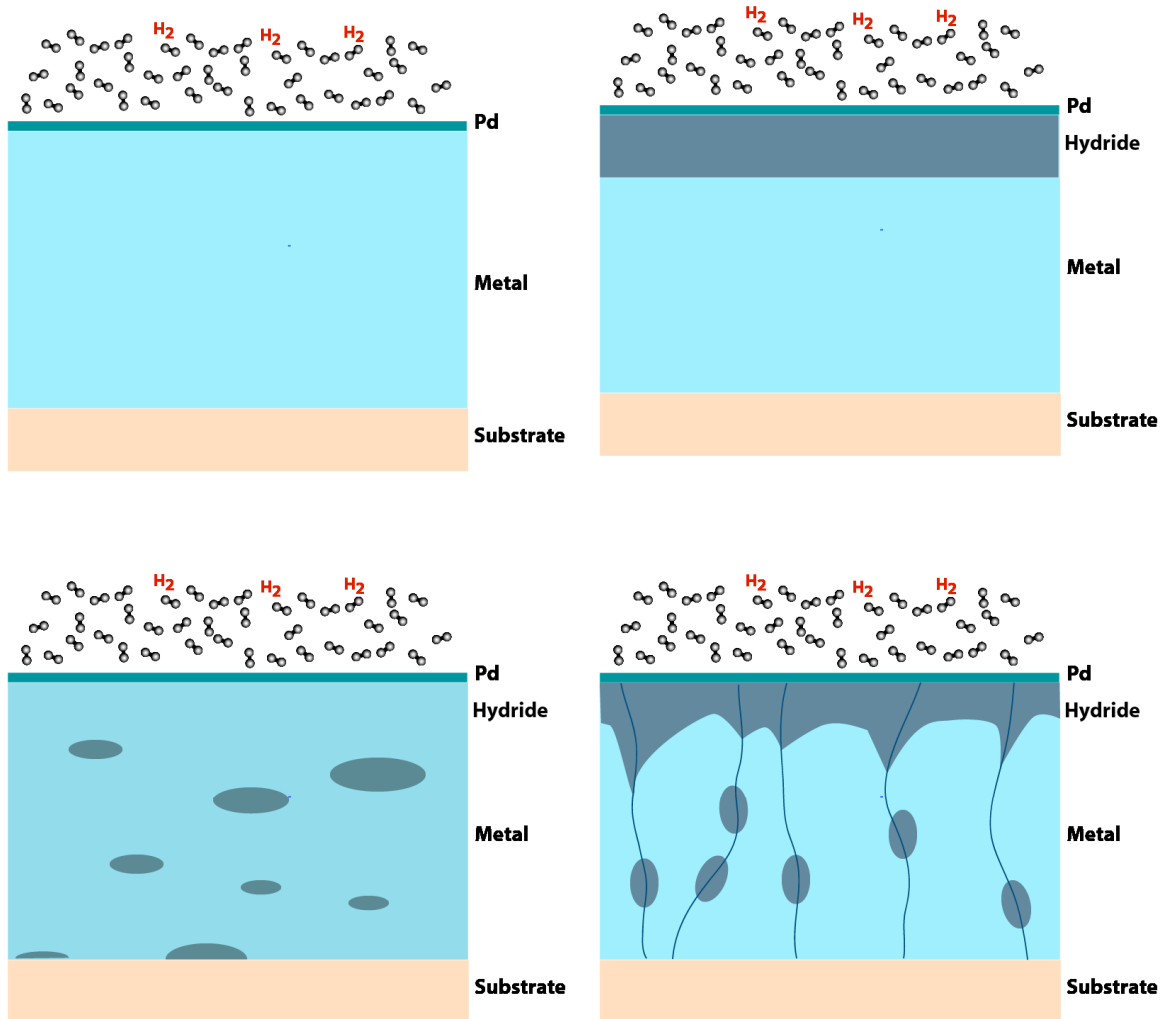
Cross-sectional TEM, Mg-4Fe at% film



Thick hydrogenated Mg-4Fe film



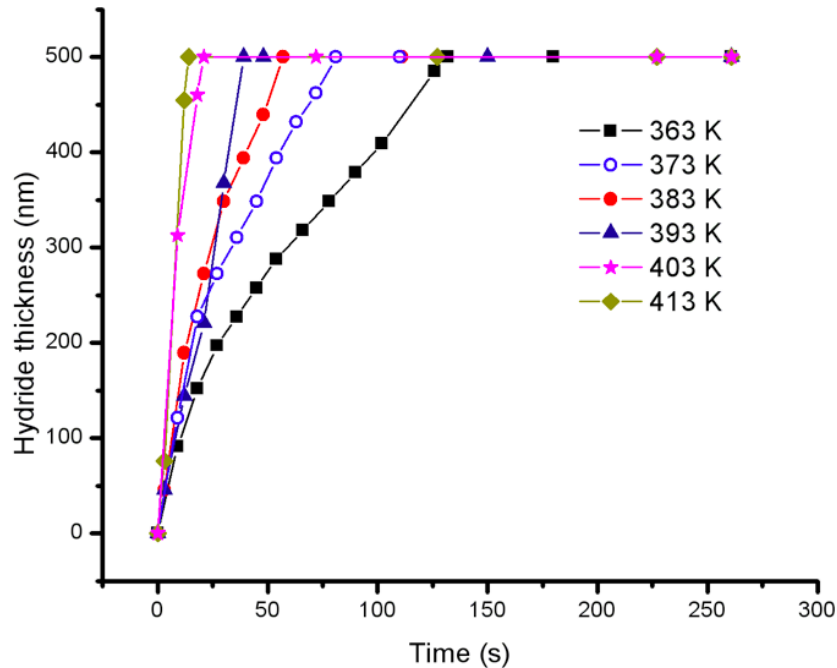
Different scenarios for formation of hydride phase in films



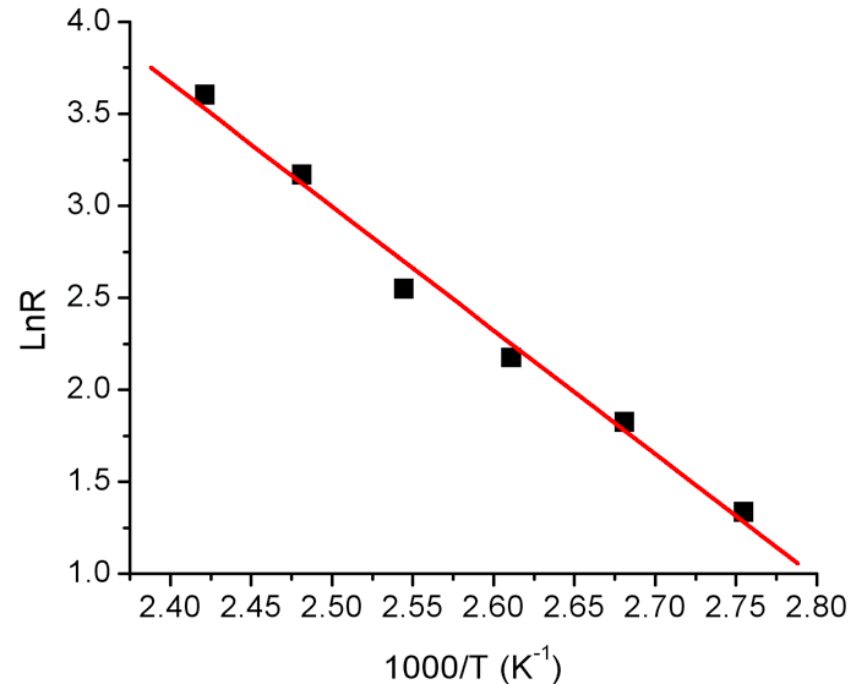
To be taken into account

1. Dissociation of H_2
2. Interaction with Pd
3. Diffusion in M
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5. Nucleation
6. Growth
7. Effect of defects

Kinetics of hydride growth in Mg-4Fe wedge films



Plot of approximate MgH_2 layer thickness as a function of hydrogenation time. Films hydrogenated under 0.1 MPa hydrogen pressure at 363 K, 373 K, 383 K, 393 K, 403 K and 413 K.



Arrhenius plot of the hydride growth rate as a function of $1/T$. An activation energy obtained from this plot is $\sim 56 \pm 3$ kJ/mole

What 56 kJ/mole means?