Diopside-Albite-Anorthite

Figure 7.5. Isobaric diagram illustrating the liquidus temperatures in the system diopsideanorthite-albite at atmospheric pressure (0.1 MPa). After Morse (1994), Basalts and Phase Diagrams. Krieger Publushers

Di - An eutectic Di - Ab eutectic Ab - An solid solution



















Figure 7.8. Oblique view illustrating an isothermal section through the diopside-albite-anorthite system. Figure 7.9. Isothermal section at 1250°C (and 0.1 MPa) in the system Di-An-Ab. Both from Morse (1994), Basalts and Phase Diagrams. Krieger Publishers.

Ternary Feldspars





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Trace of solvus at three temperature intervals

Triangle shows coexisting feldspars and liquid at 900°C

Figure 7.11. Winter (2010) An Introduction to Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology. Prentice Hall.



4 - Component Diagrams



Figure 7.12. The system diopside-anorthitealbite-forsterite. After Yoder and Tilley (1962). J. Petrol.

>4 Components



Figure 7.13. Pressure-temperature phase diagram for the melting of a Snake River (Idaho, USA) tholeiitic basalt under anhydrous conditions. After Thompson (1972). Carnegie Inst. Wash Yb. 71

Bowen's Reaction Series



The Effect of Pressure



Eutectic system 1600 1500 1 GPa 1400 1300 1 atm (0.1 MPa) 1200 20 40 80 60 An Di Weight %

Figure 7.16. Effect of lithostatic pressure on the liquidus and eutectic composition in the diopsideanorthite system. 1 GPa data from Presnall *et al.* (1978). Contr. Min. Pet., 66, 203-220.

The Effect of Water on Melting

Dry melting: solid \rightarrow liquid Add water- water enters the melt Reaction becomes: 1.0

solid + water = $liq_{(aq)}$

Figure 7.19. The effect of H₂O saturation on the melting of albite, from the experiments by Burnham and Davis (1974). A J Sci 274, 902-940. The "dry" melting curve is from Boyd and England (1963). JGR 68, 311-323.





Figure 7.20. Experimentally determined melting intervals of gabbro under H₂O-free ("dry"), and H₂O-saturated conditions. After Lambert and Wyllie (1972). J. Geol., 80, 693-708.

Dry and water-saturated solidi for some common rock types

The more mafic the rock the higher the melting point

All solidi are greatly lowered by water

Figure 7-21. H_2O -saturated (solid) and H_2O -free (dashed) solidi (beginning of melting) for granodiorite (Robertson and Wyllie, 1971), gabbro (Lambert and Wyllie, 1972) and peridotite (H_2O -saturated: Kushiro *et al.*, 1968; dry: Hirschman, 2000).



We know the behavior of water-free and water-saturated melting by experiments, which are easy to control by performing them in dry and wet sealed vessels

What about real rocks?

Some may be dry, some saturated, but most are more likely to be in between these extremes

- a fixed water content < saturation levels
- a fixed water activity

The Albite-Water System

- Red curves = melting for a fixed mol % water in the melt (X_w^m)
- Blue curves tell the water content of a watersaturated melt





Raise a melt with a ratio of albite:water = 1:1 $(X_{water}^{melt} = 0.5)$ from point a at 925°C and 1 GPa pressure, toward the Earth' s surface under isothermal conditions.



Figure 7.22. From Burnham and Davis (1974). A J Sci., 274, 902-940.

Conclusions:

A rising magma with a fixed % water will progressively melt

At shallower levels it will become saturated, and expel water into its surroundings

It should completely solidify before reaching the surface

Figure 7.22. From Burnham and Davis (1974). A J Sci., 274, 902-940.



Another example: isobaric heating of albite with 10 mol % water at 0.6 GPa.



Figure 7.22. From Burnham and Davis (1974). A J Sci., 274, 902-940.

Conclusion:

Although the addition of water can drastically reduce the melting point of rocks, the amount of melt produced at the lower temperature may be quite limited, depending on the amount of water available





Melting of Albite with a fixed activity of H_2O

Fluid may be a CO_2 -H₂O mixture with $P_f = P_{Total}$



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Figure 7.26. From Millhollen et al. (1974). J. Geol., 82, 575-587.

The solubility of water in a melt depends on the structure of the melt (which reflects the structure of the mineralogical equivalent) 1600



Figure 7.25. The effect of H_2O on the diopside-anorthite liquidus. Dry and 1 atm from Figure 7-16, $P_{H2O} = P_{total}$ curve for 1 GPa from Yoder (1965). CIW Yb 64.

Effect of Pressure, Water, and CO₂ on the position of the eutectic in the basalt system

Increased pressure moves the ternary eutectic (first melt) from silica-saturated to highly undersat. alkaline basalts

Ne **Volatile-free** 2GPa **IGPa** Ab Highly undesaturated (nepheline-bearing) 1atm alkali olivine basalts Undersaturated Oversaturated tholeittic basalt (quartz-bearing) tholeiitic basalts Fo En SiO₂ Water moves the (2 GPa) eutectic toward higher silica, while CO_2 moves it to more alkaline types

