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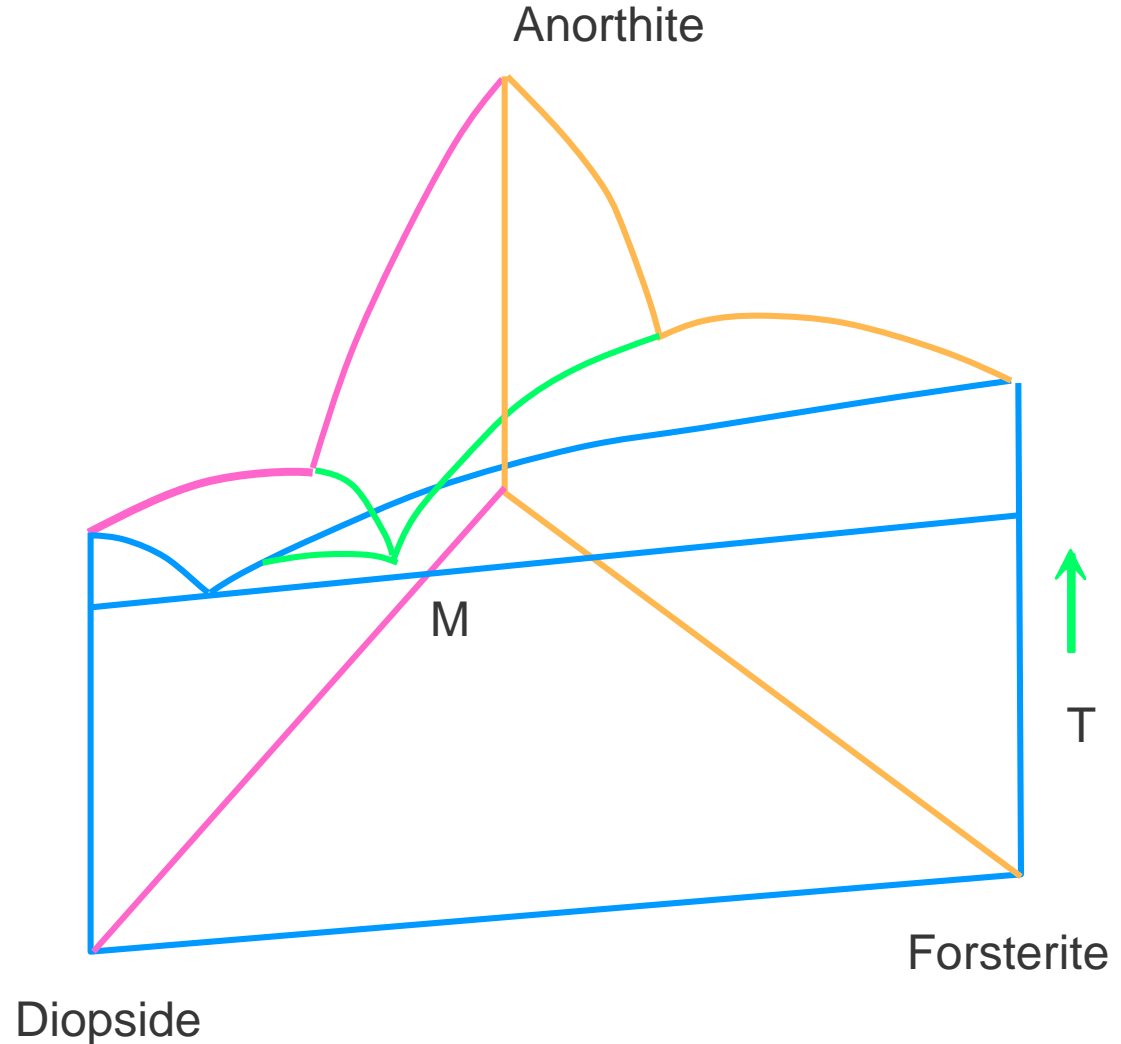
Example 1: Ternary Eutectic

Di - An - Fo

Note three binary eutectics

No solid solution

Ternary eutectic = M



T - X Projection of Di - An - Fo

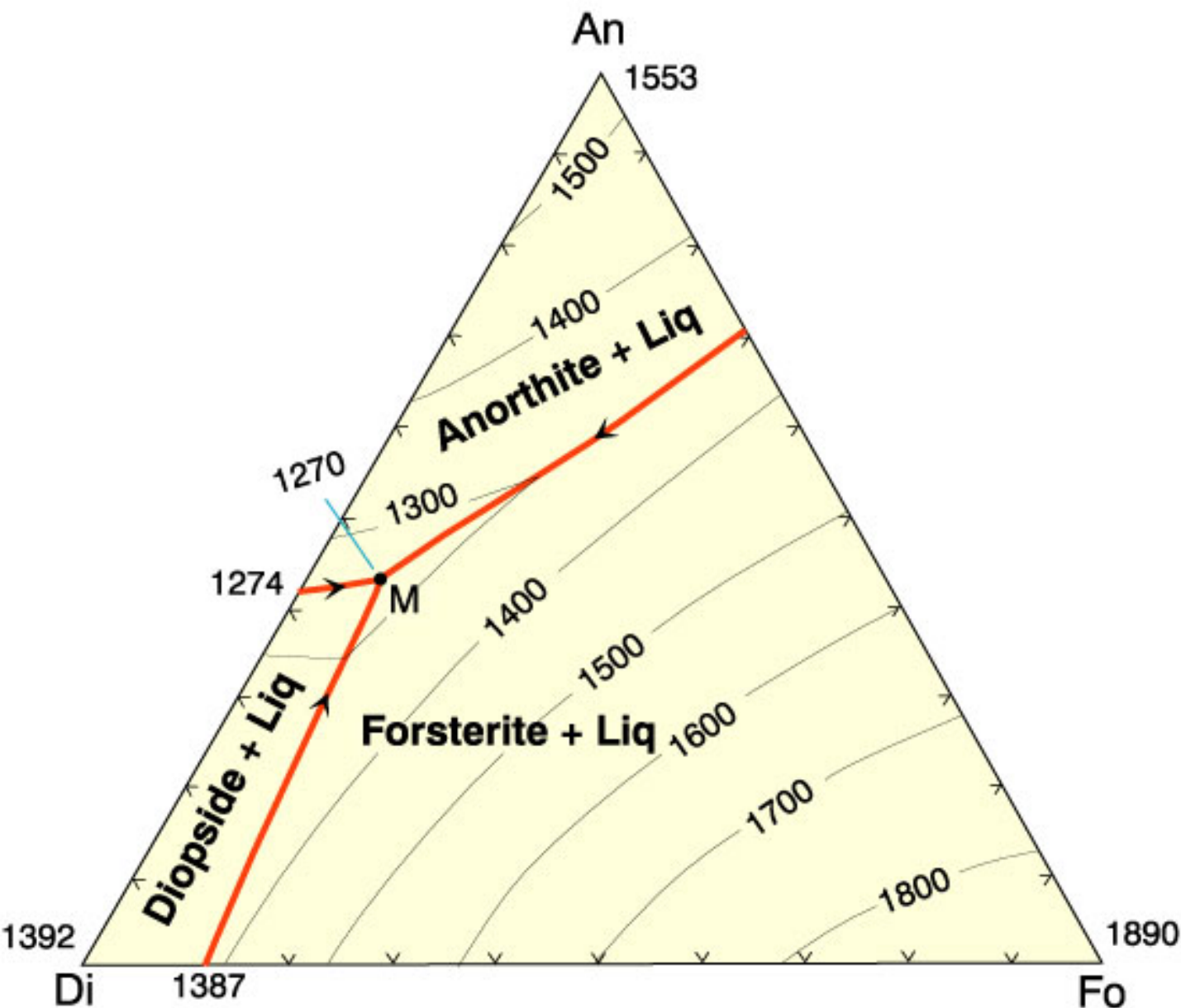
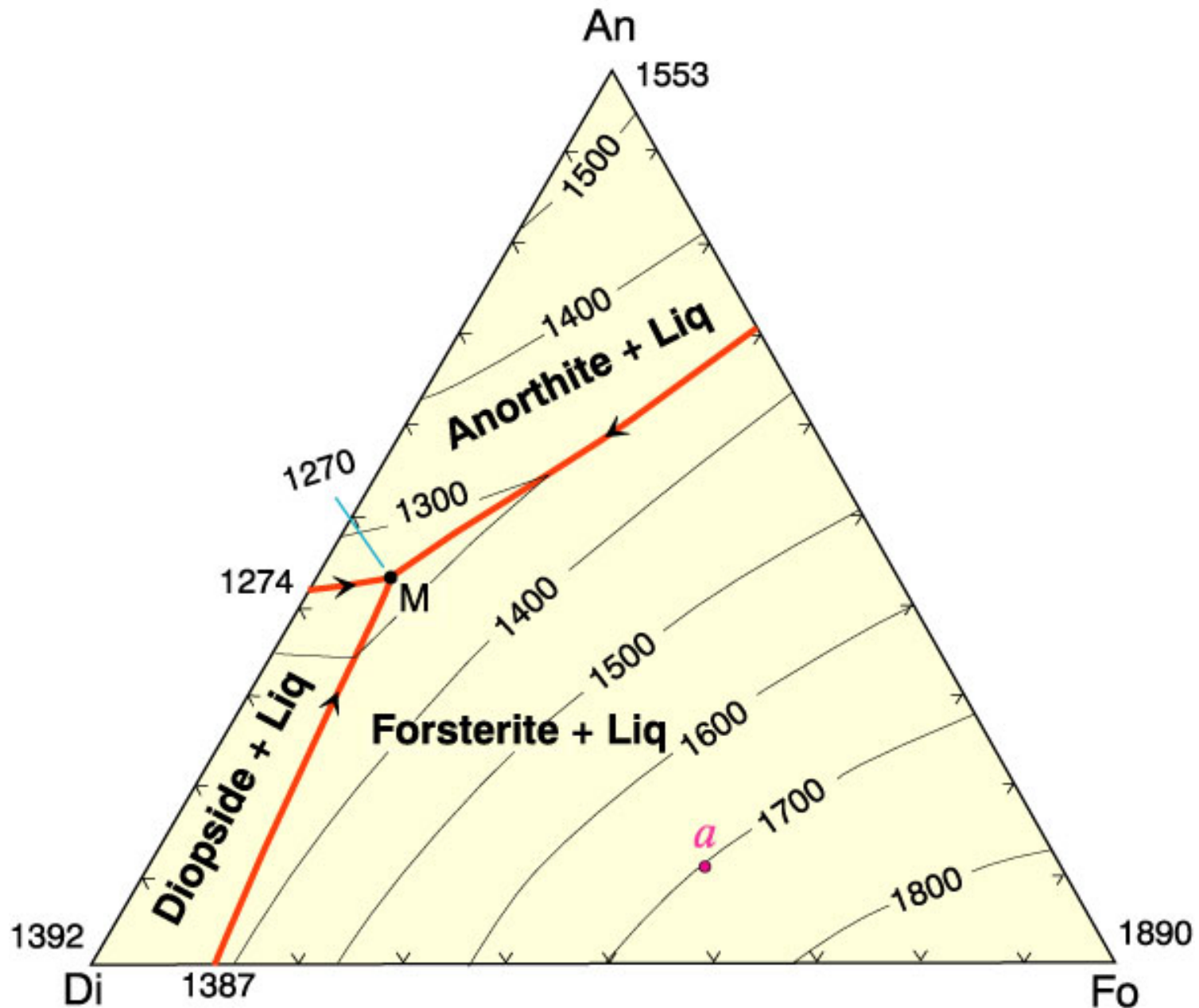
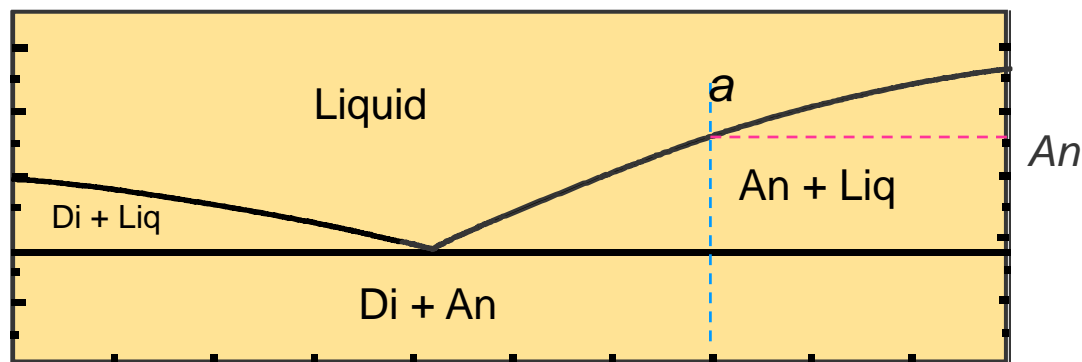


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Crystallization Relationships

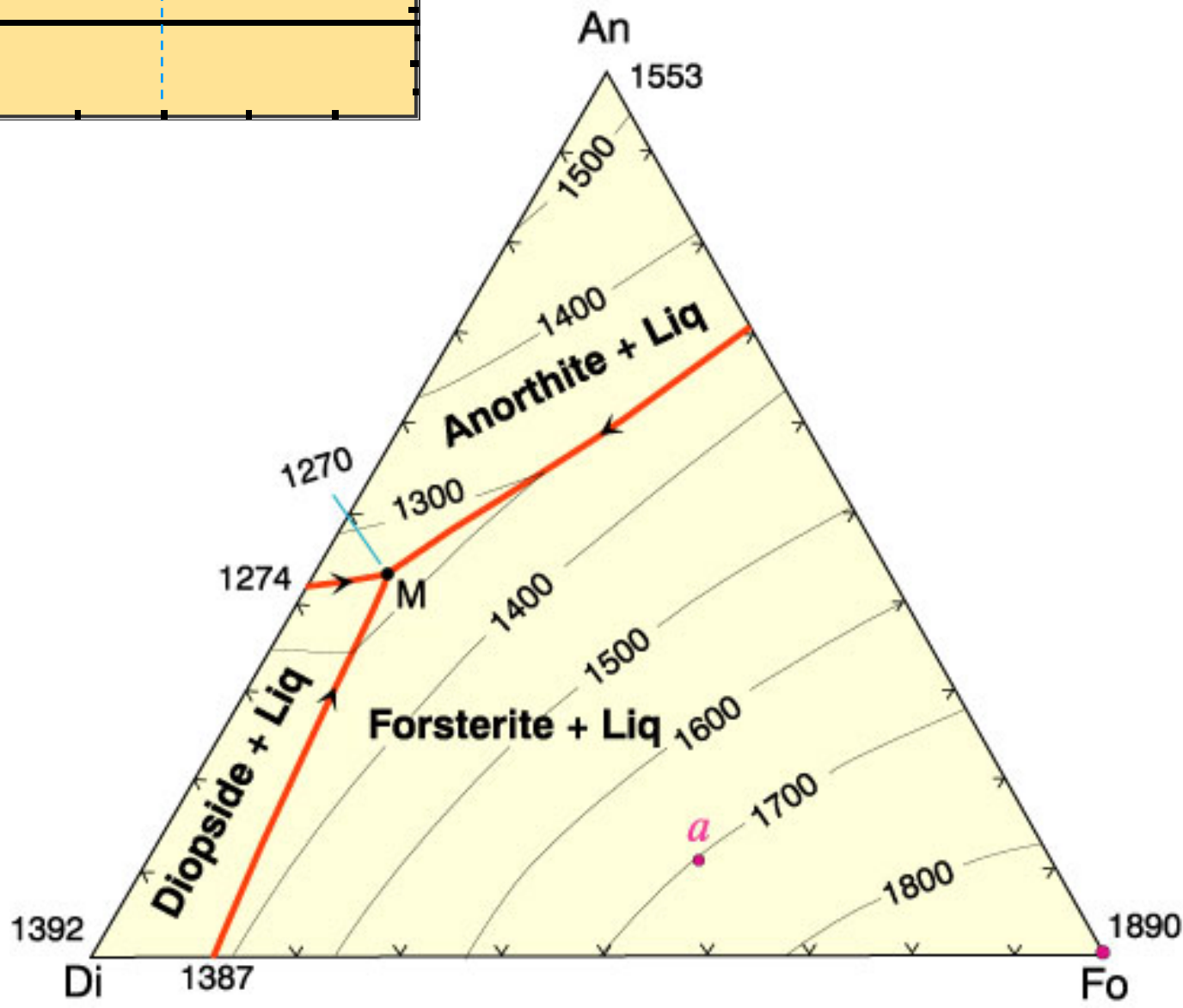




Pure Fo forms
Just as in binary

$$\phi = ?$$

$$F = ?$$



☞ $\phi = 2$ (Fo + Liq)

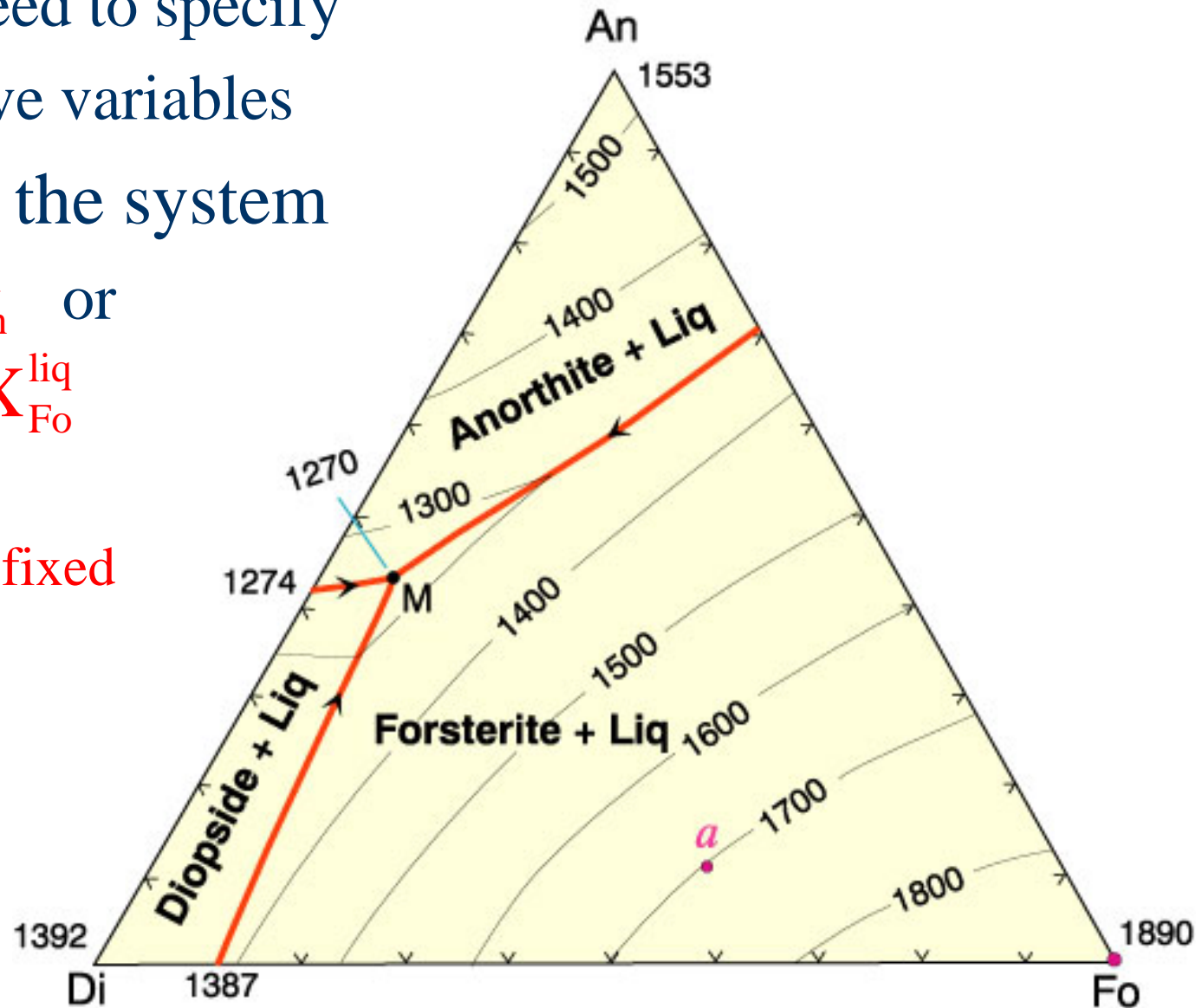
☞ $F = 3 - 2 + 1 = 2$

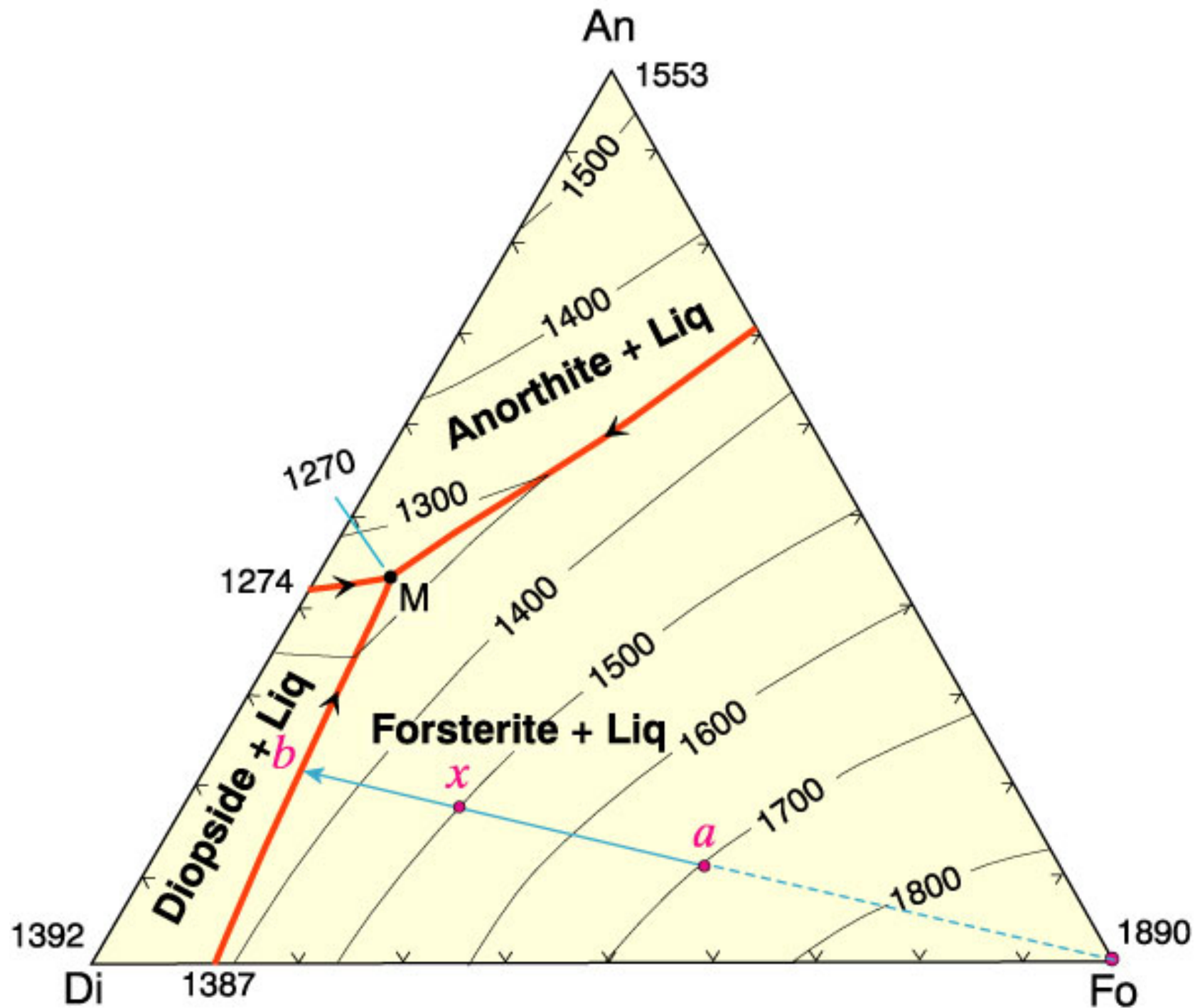
If on liquidus, need to specify
only 2 intensive variables
to determine the system

☞ T and $X_{\text{An}}^{\text{liq}}$ or

☞ $X_{\text{An}}^{\text{liq}}$ and $X_{\text{Fo}}^{\text{liq}}$

X of pure Fo is fixed

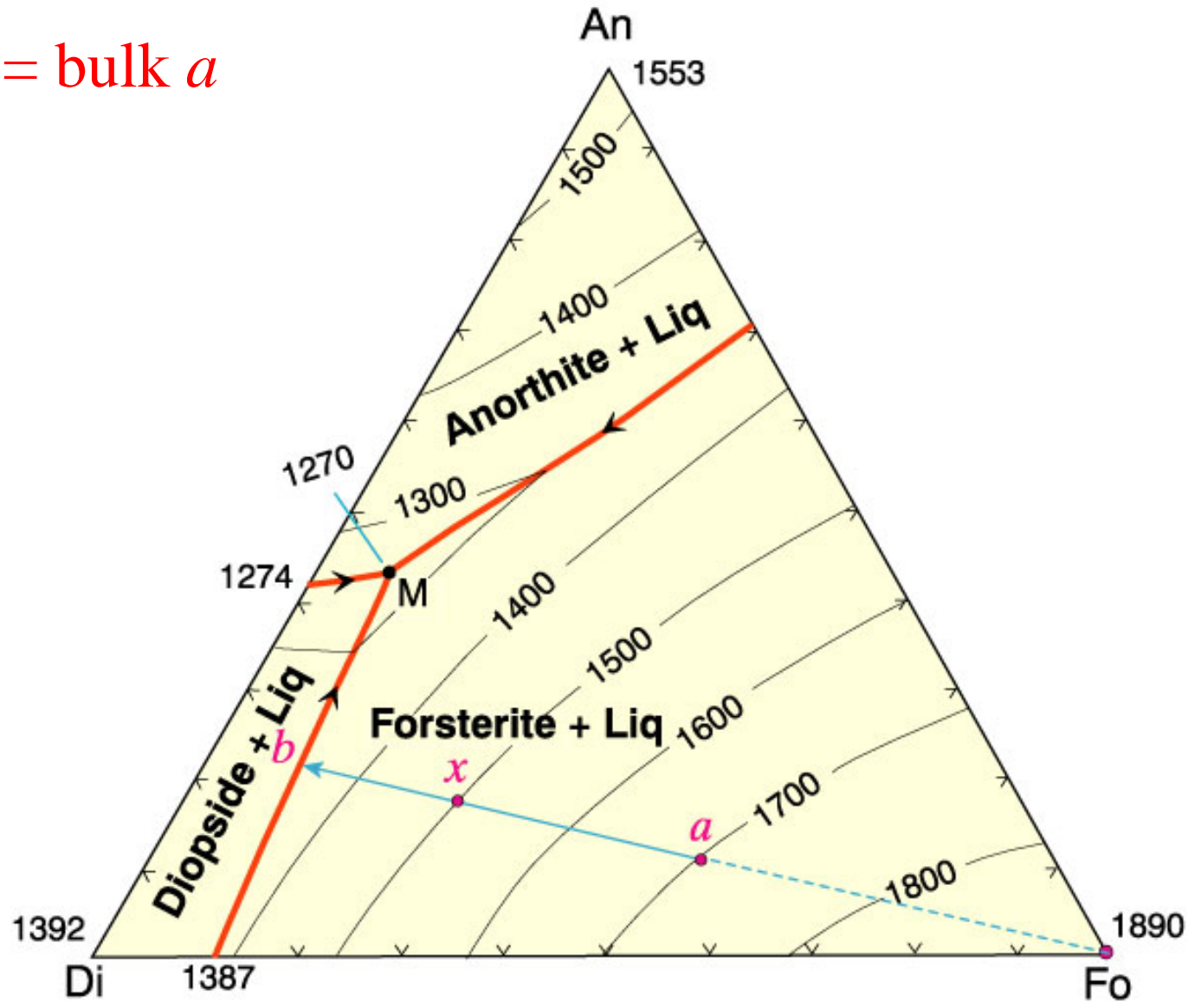


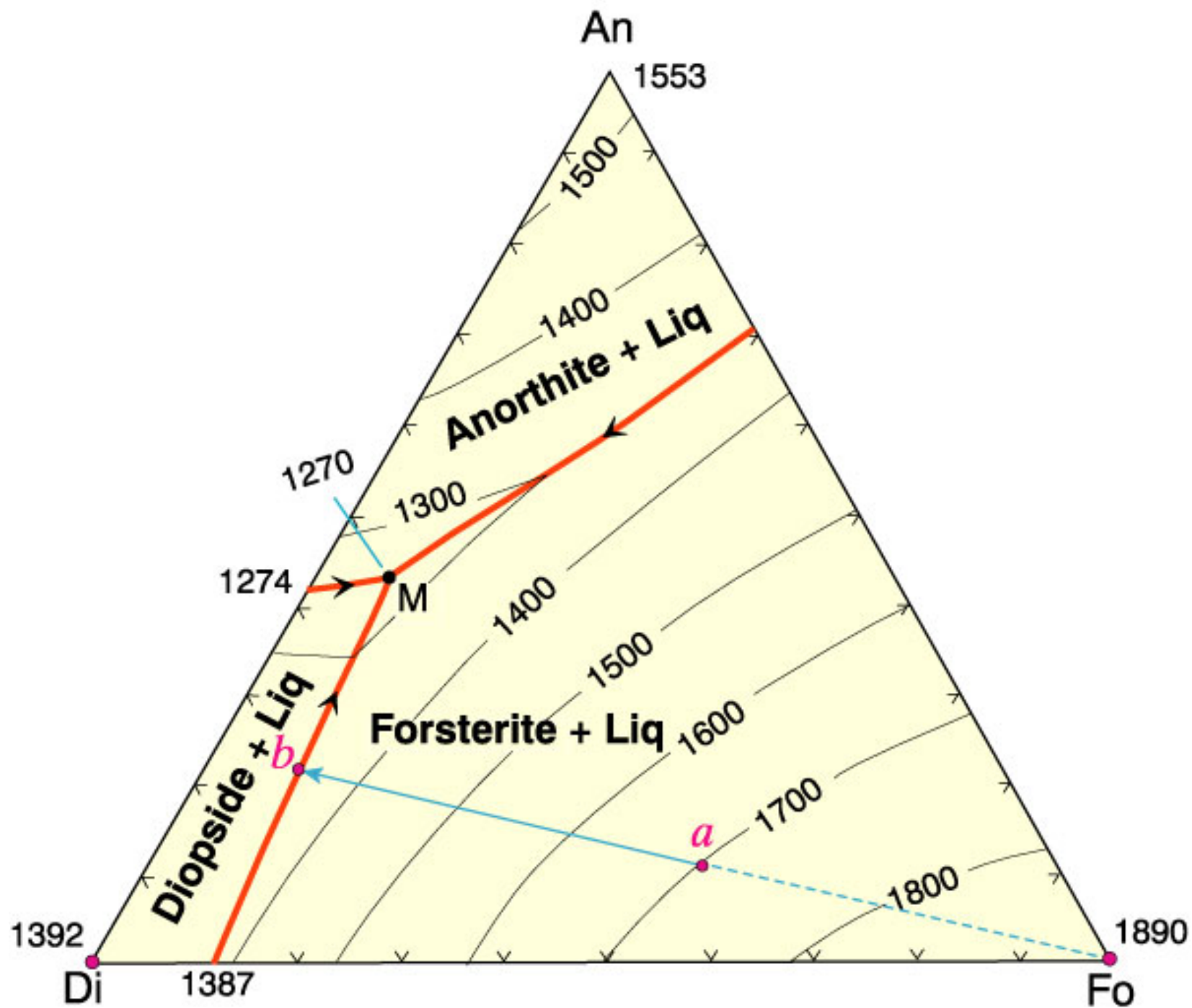


Lever principle → relative proportions of liquid & Fo

- At 1500°C

☞ $\text{Liq } x + \text{Fo} = \text{bulk } a$



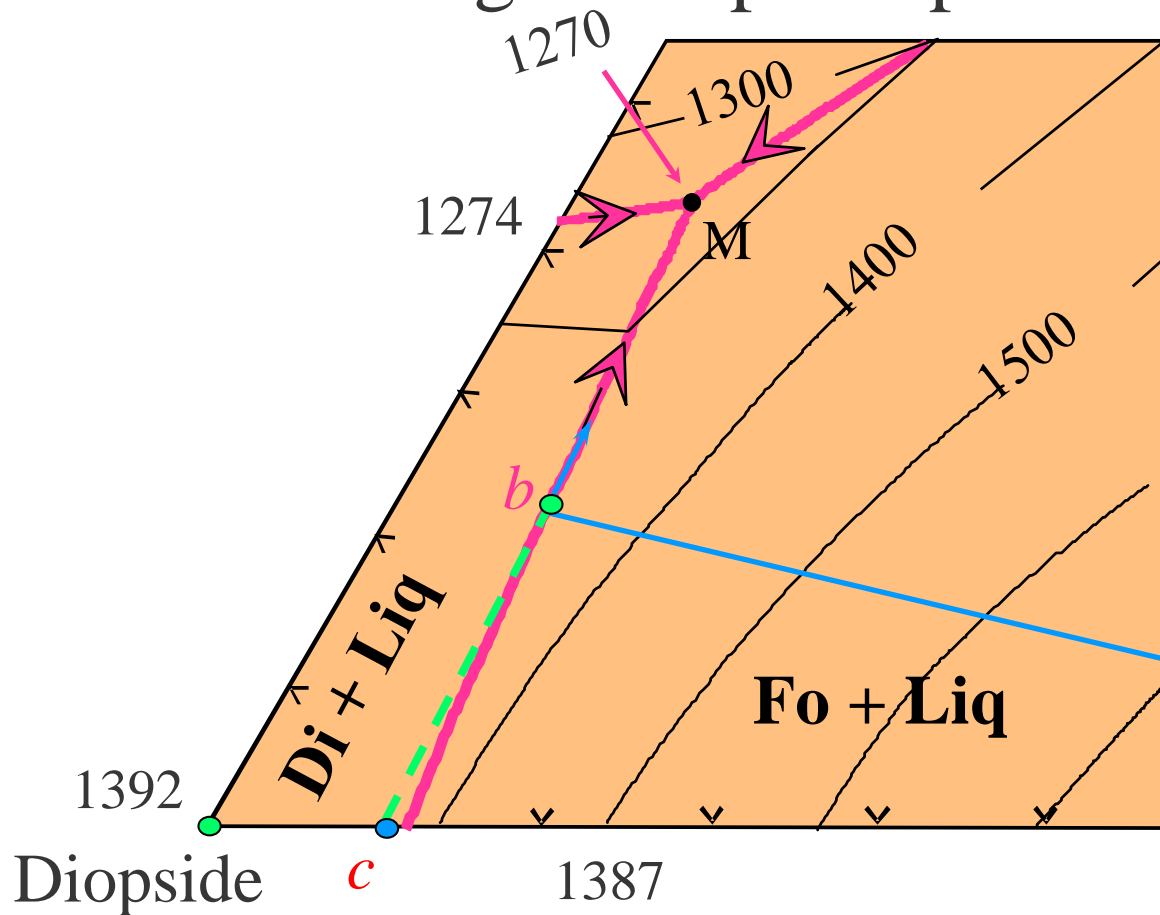


- New continuous reaction as liquid follows cotectic:



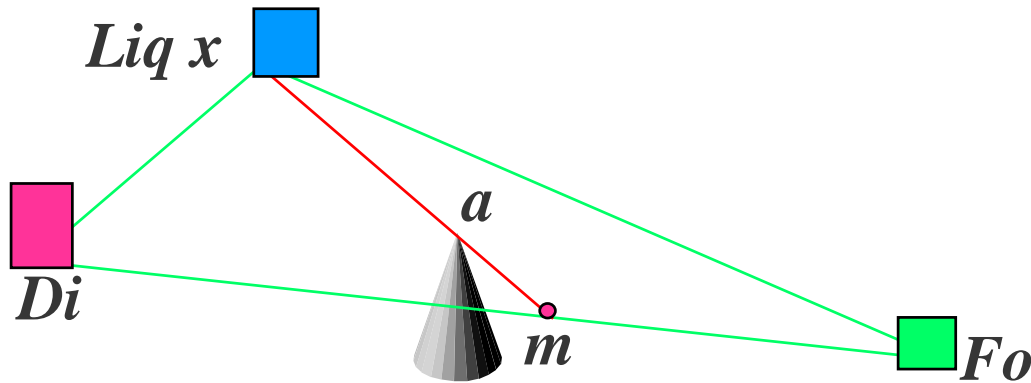
- Bulk solid extract

- Di/Fo in bulk solid extract using lever principle



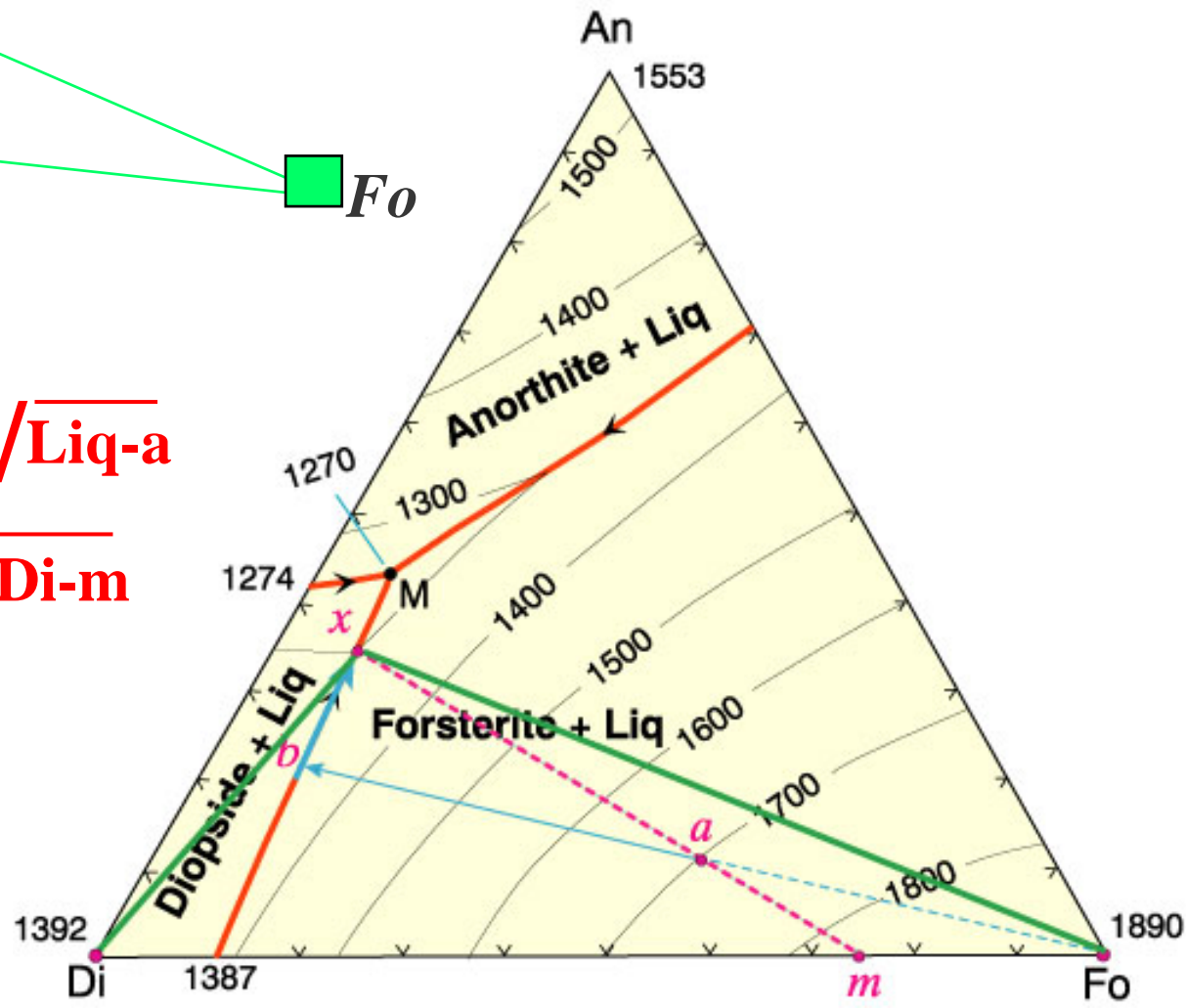
☞ At 1300°C liquid = X

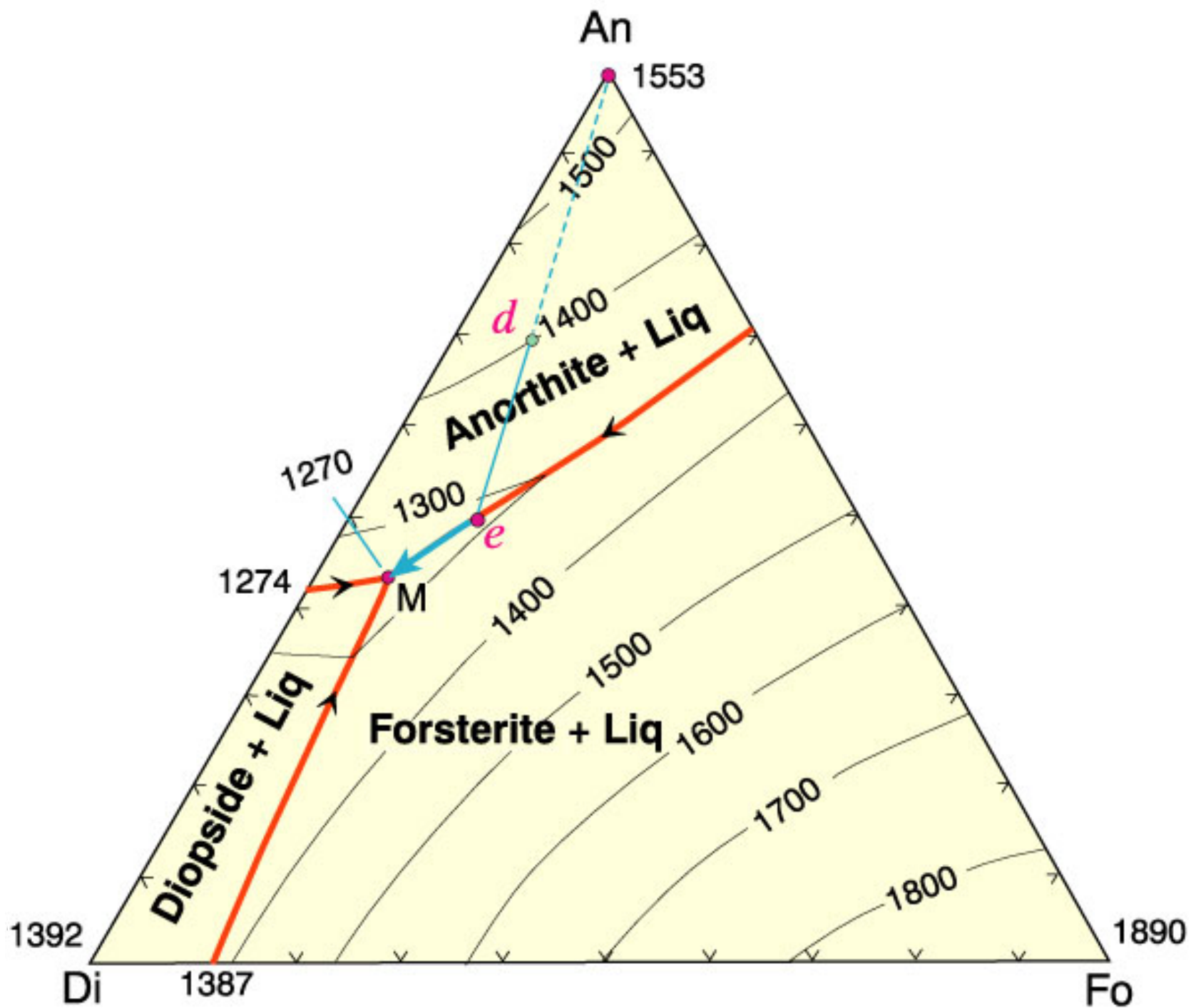
☞ Imagine triangular plane X - Di - Fo balanced on bulk a



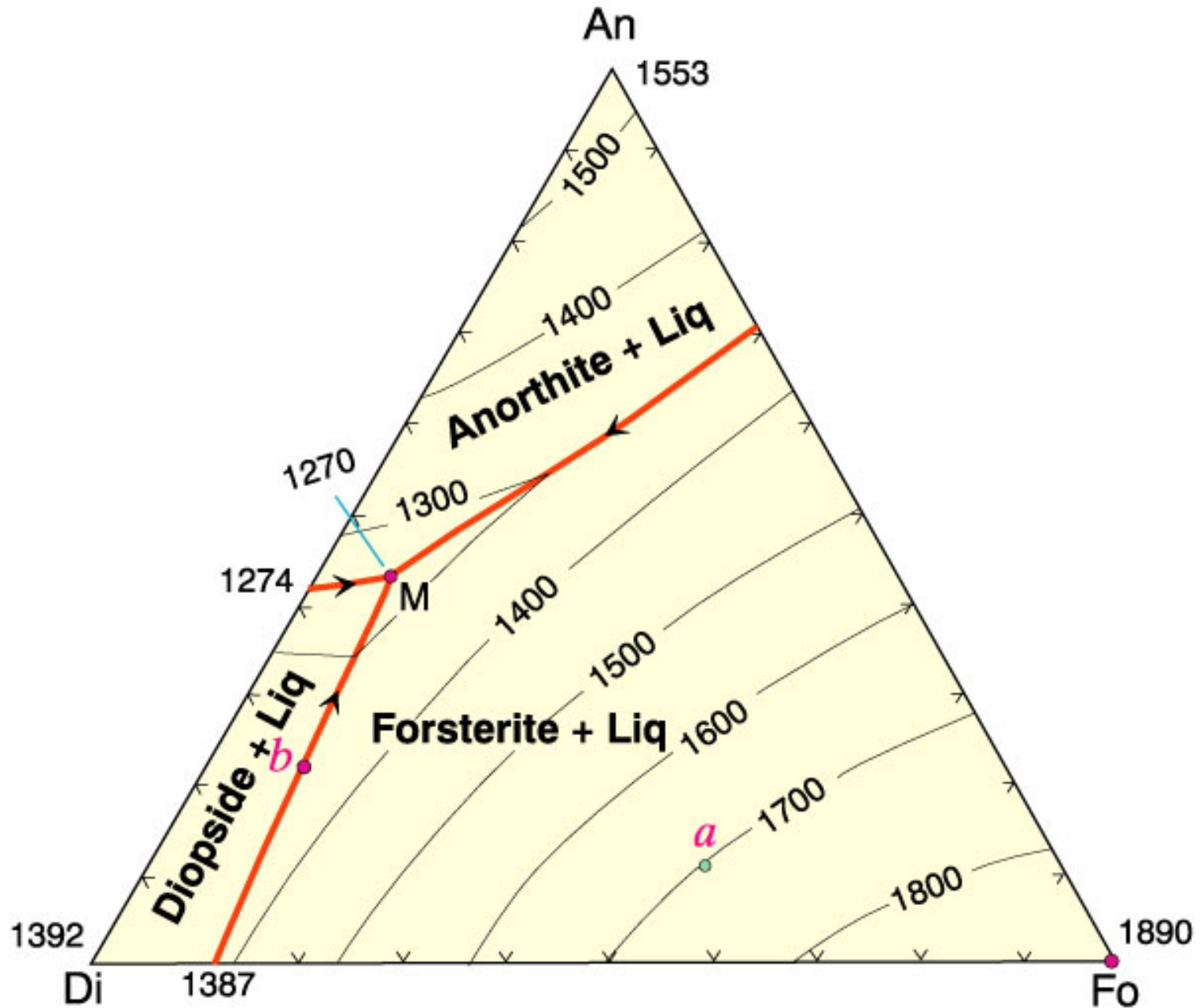
$$\text{Liq/total solids} = \frac{\overline{a-m}}{\overline{\text{Liq}-a}}$$

$$\text{total Di/Fo} = \frac{\overline{m-Fo}}{\overline{\text{Di}-m}}$$





Partial Melting (remove melt):



Ternary Peritectic Systems:

(at 0.1 MPa)

3 binary systems:

Fo-An eutectic

An-SiO₂ eutectic

Fo-SiO₂ peritectic

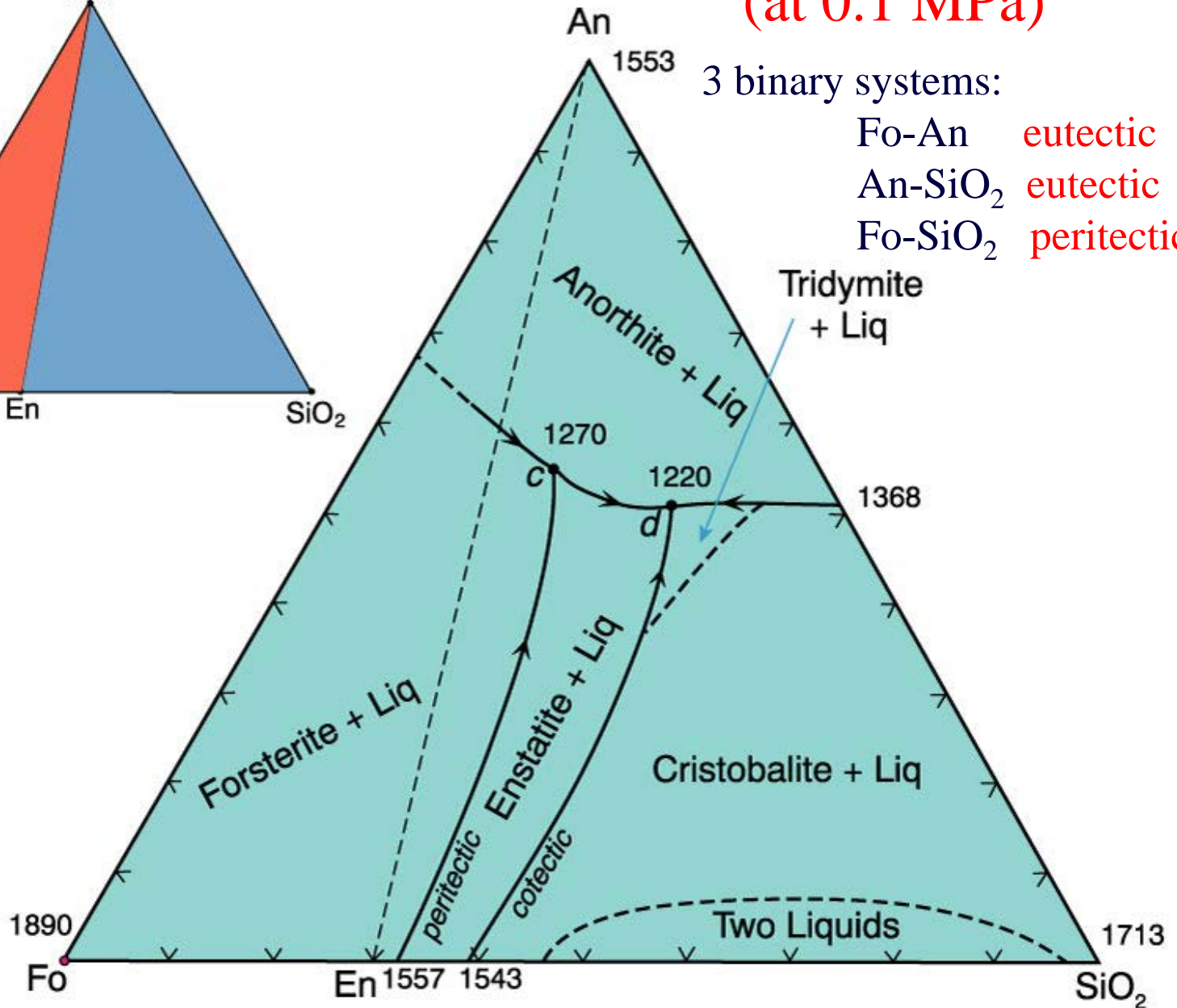
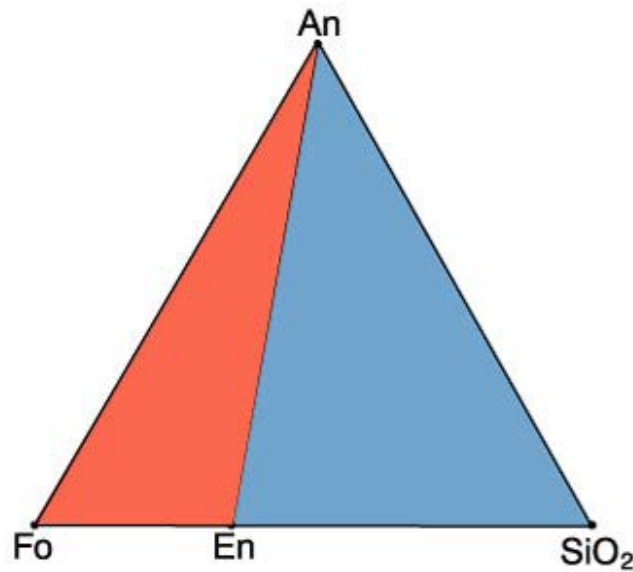
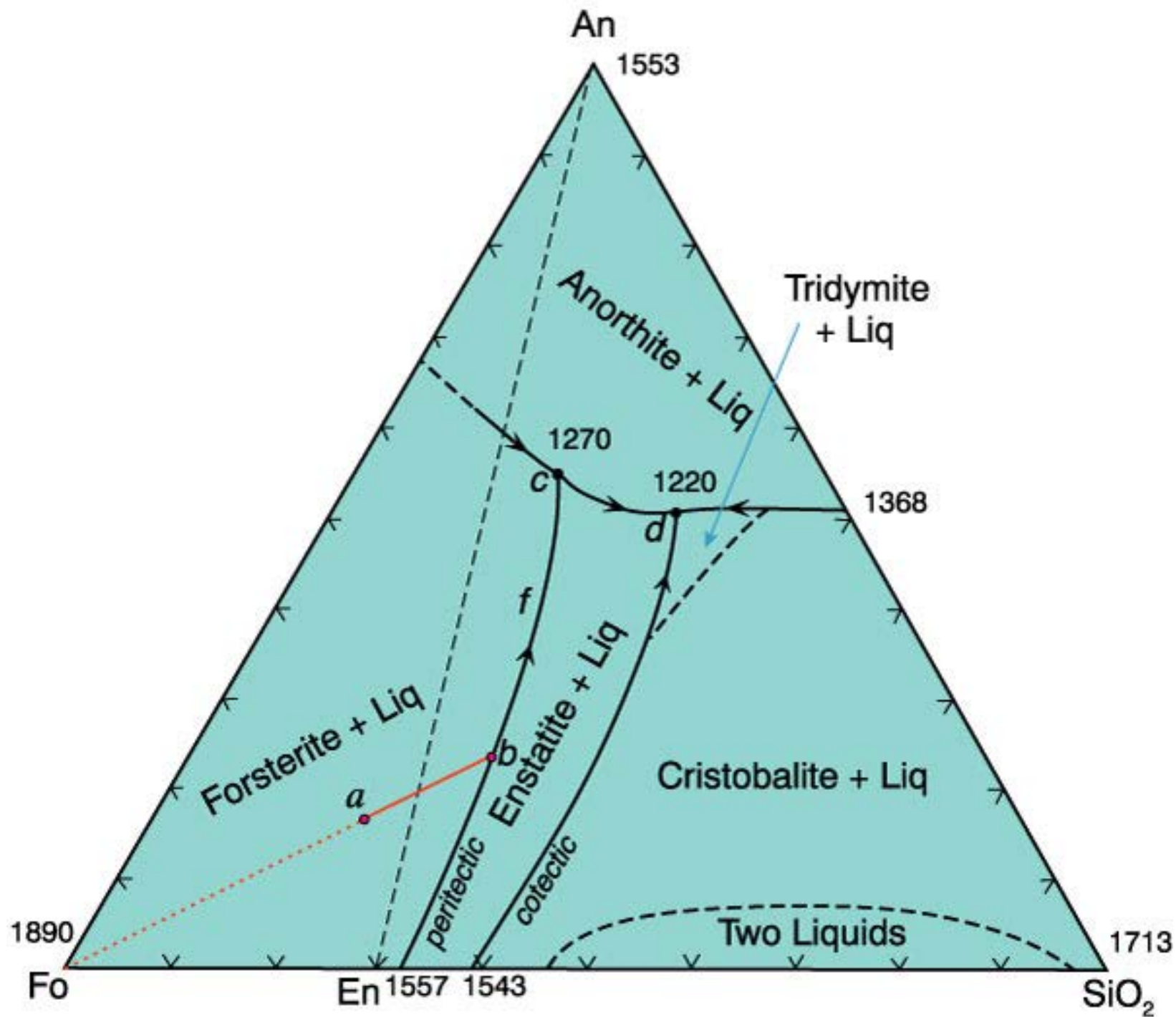
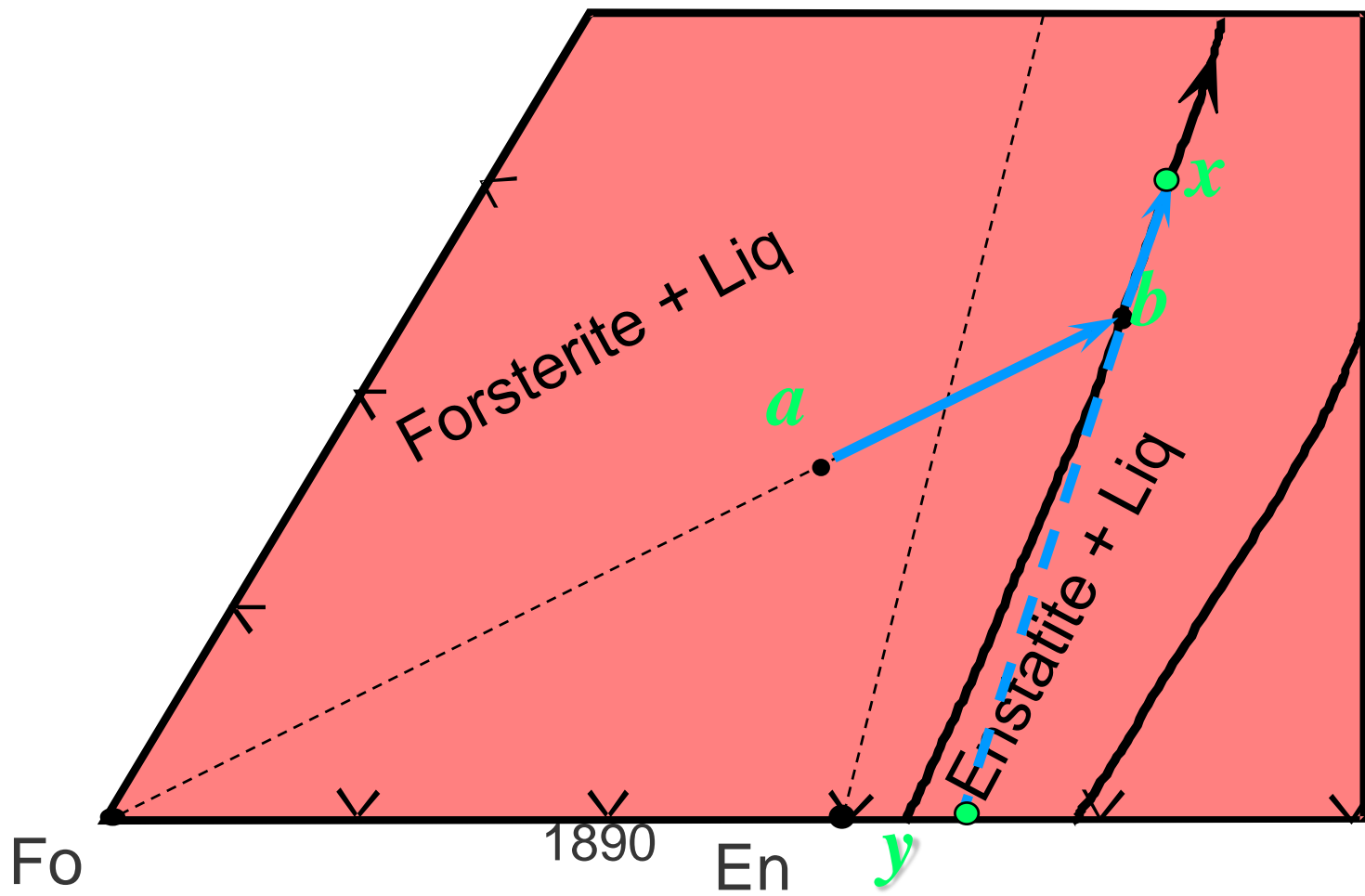
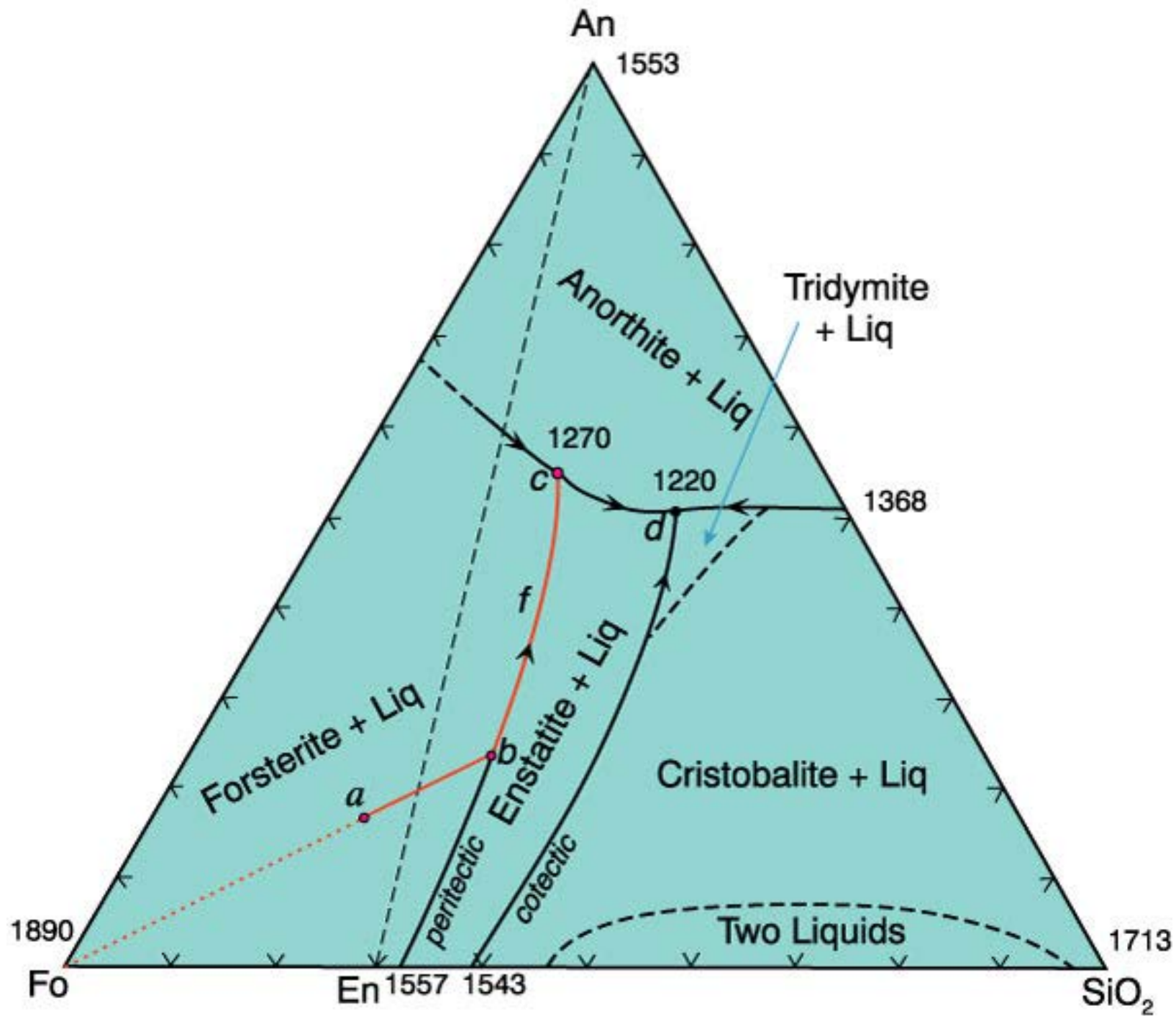


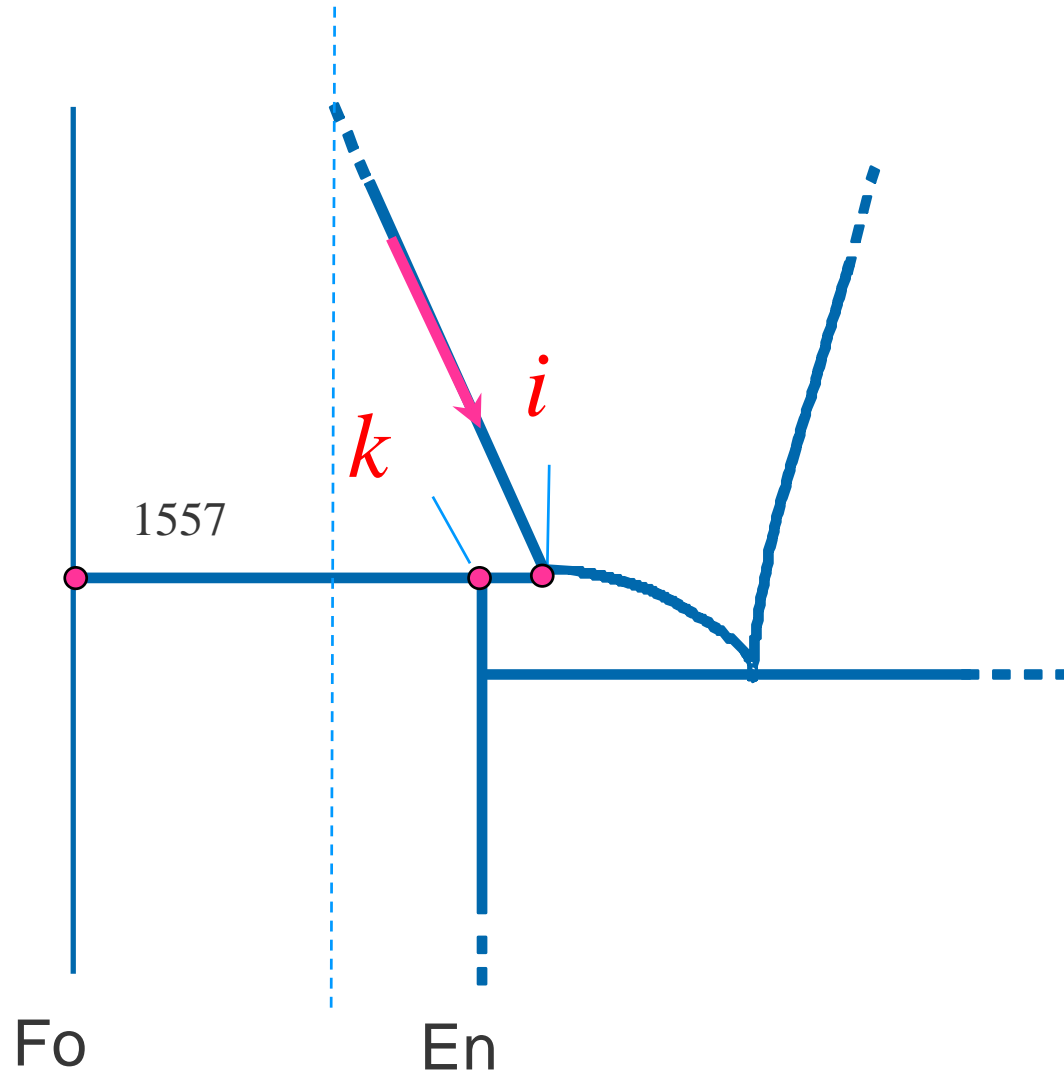
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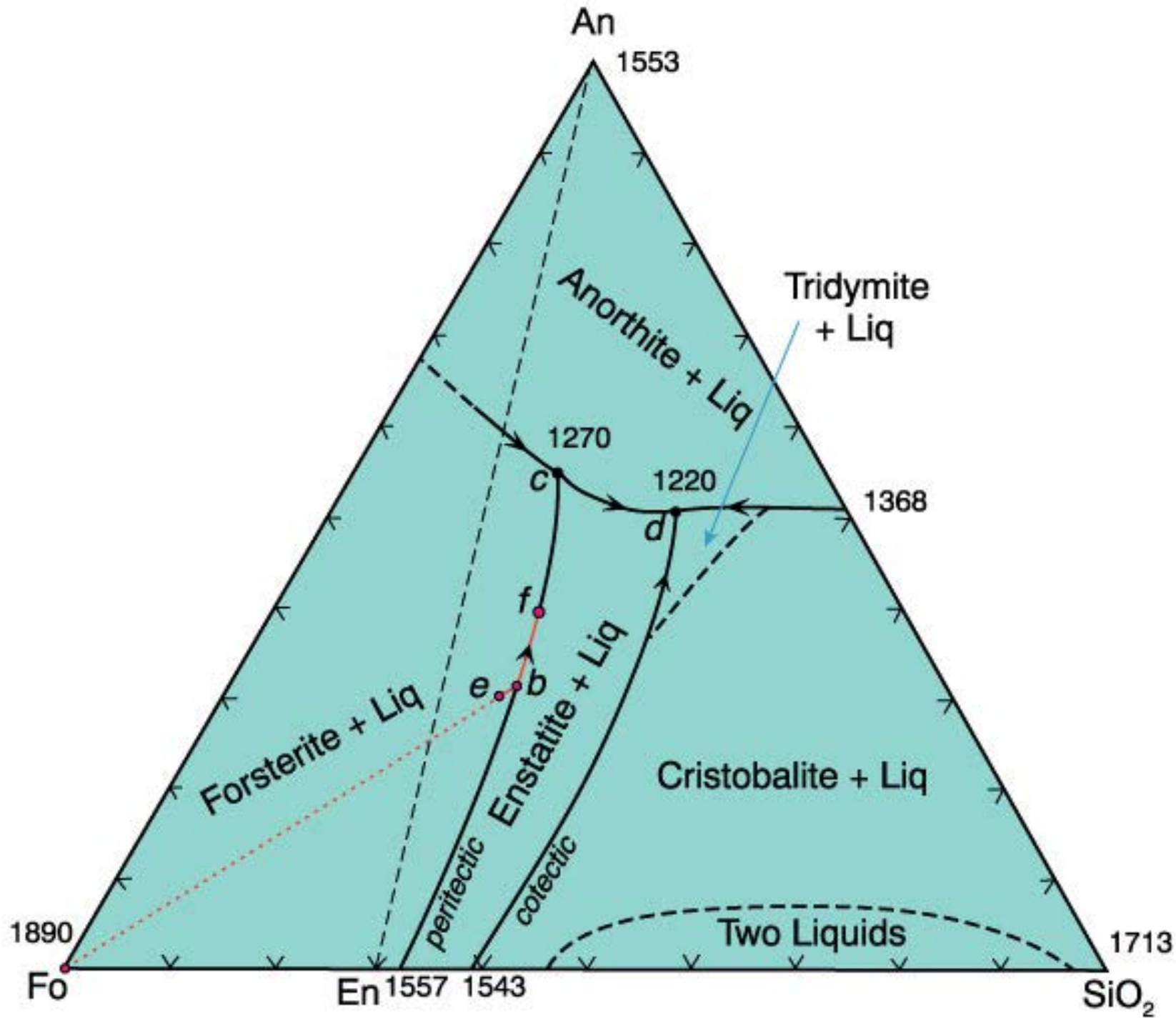


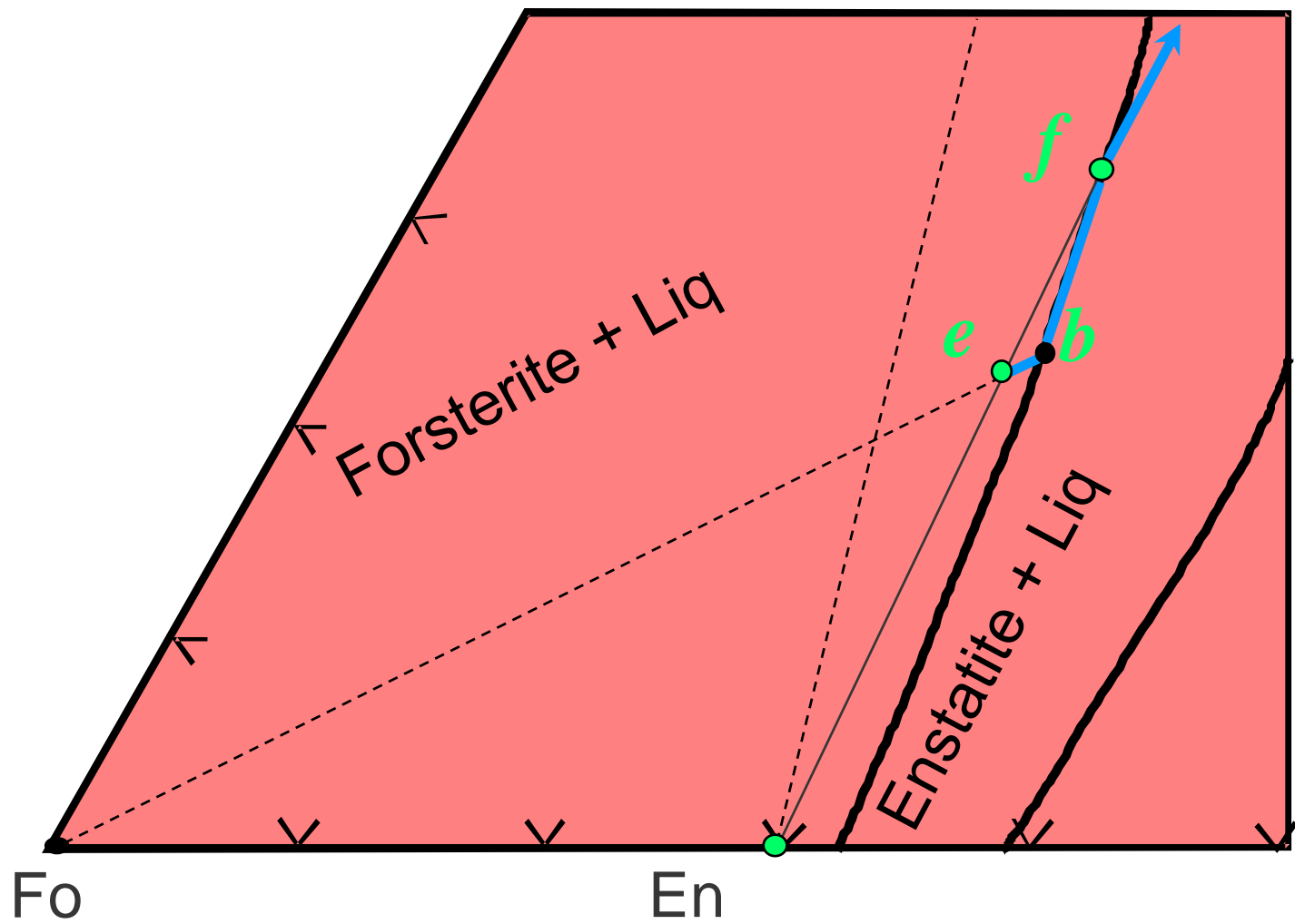


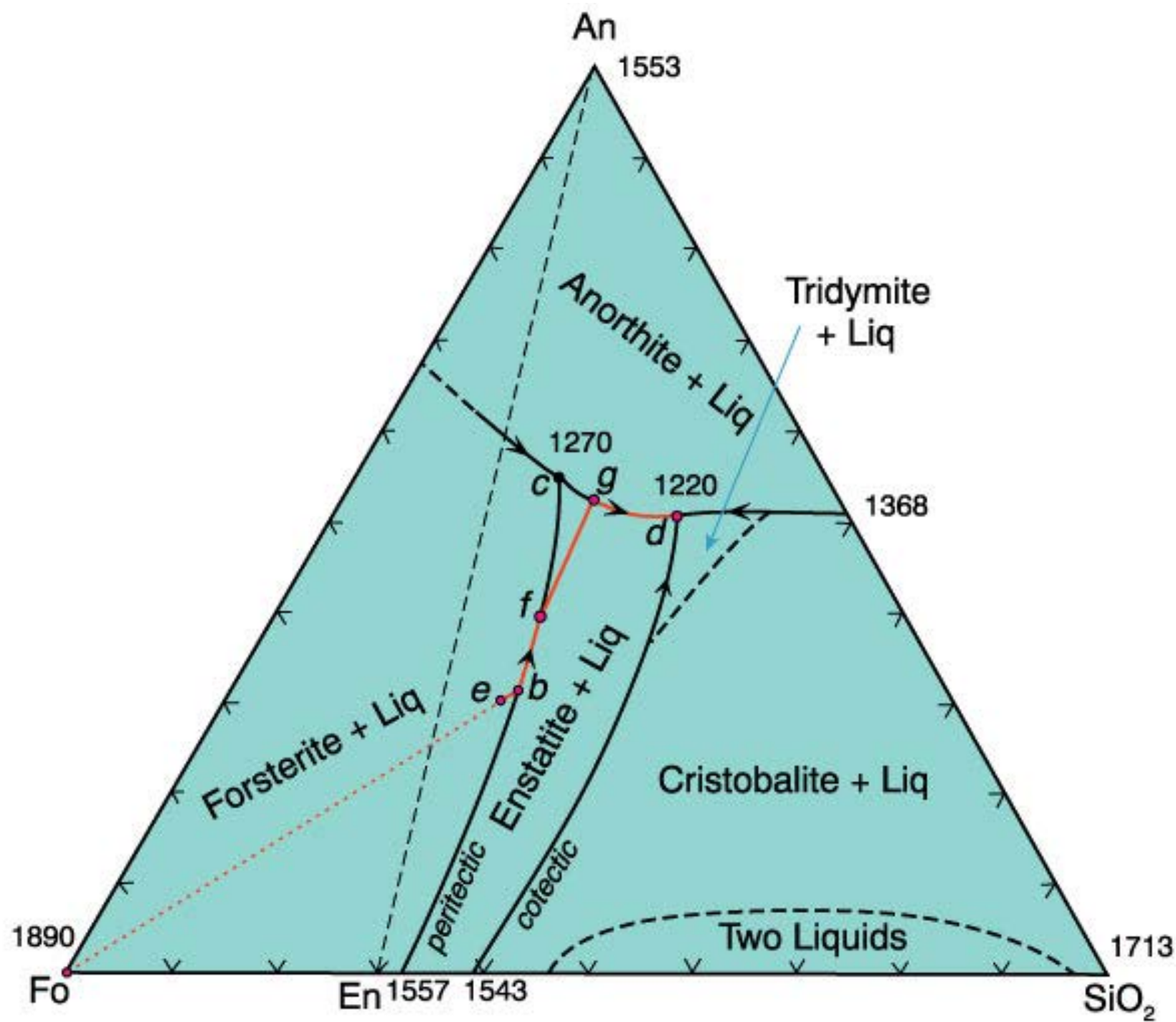


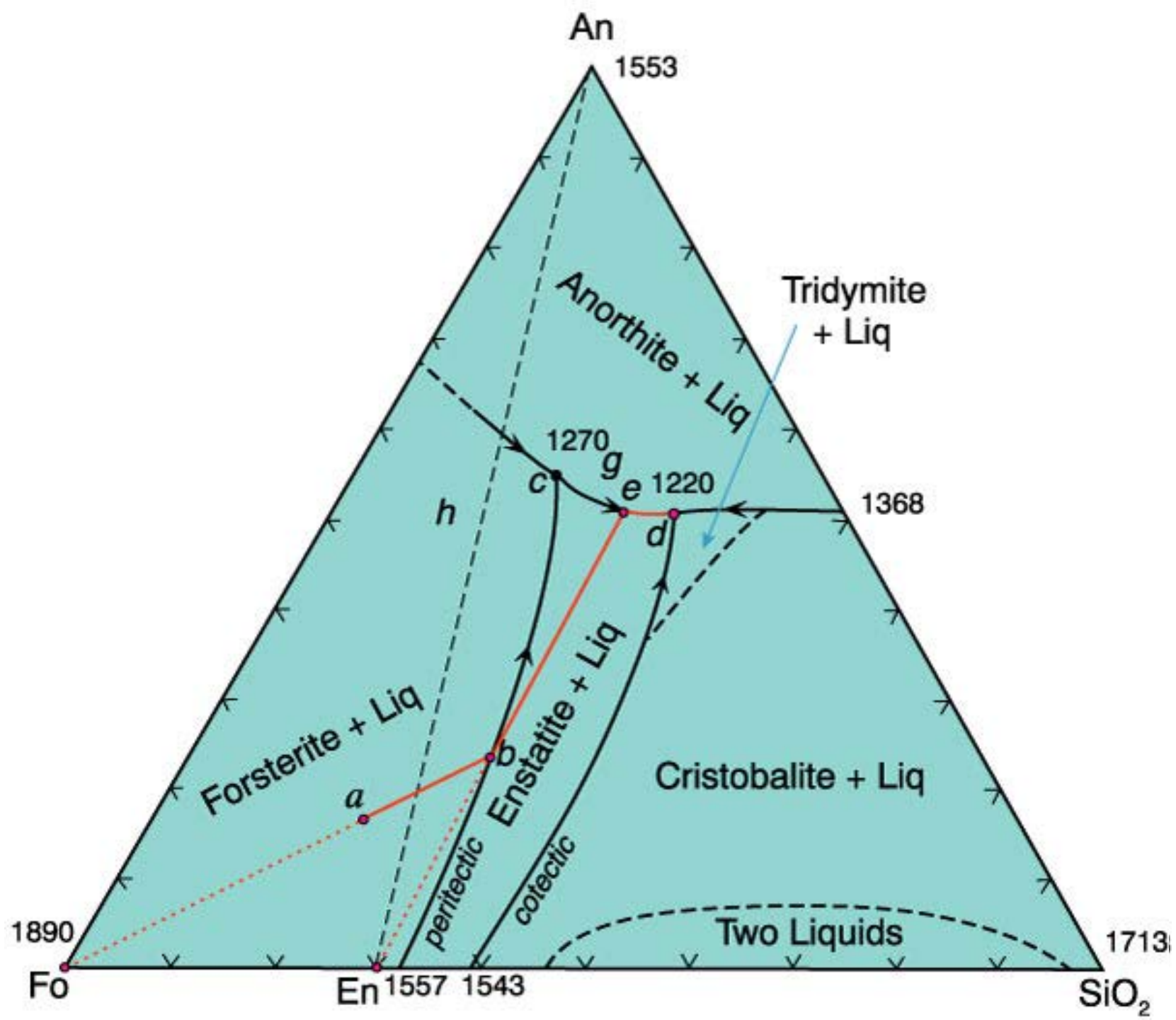
Works the same way as the Fo - En - SiO₂ binary





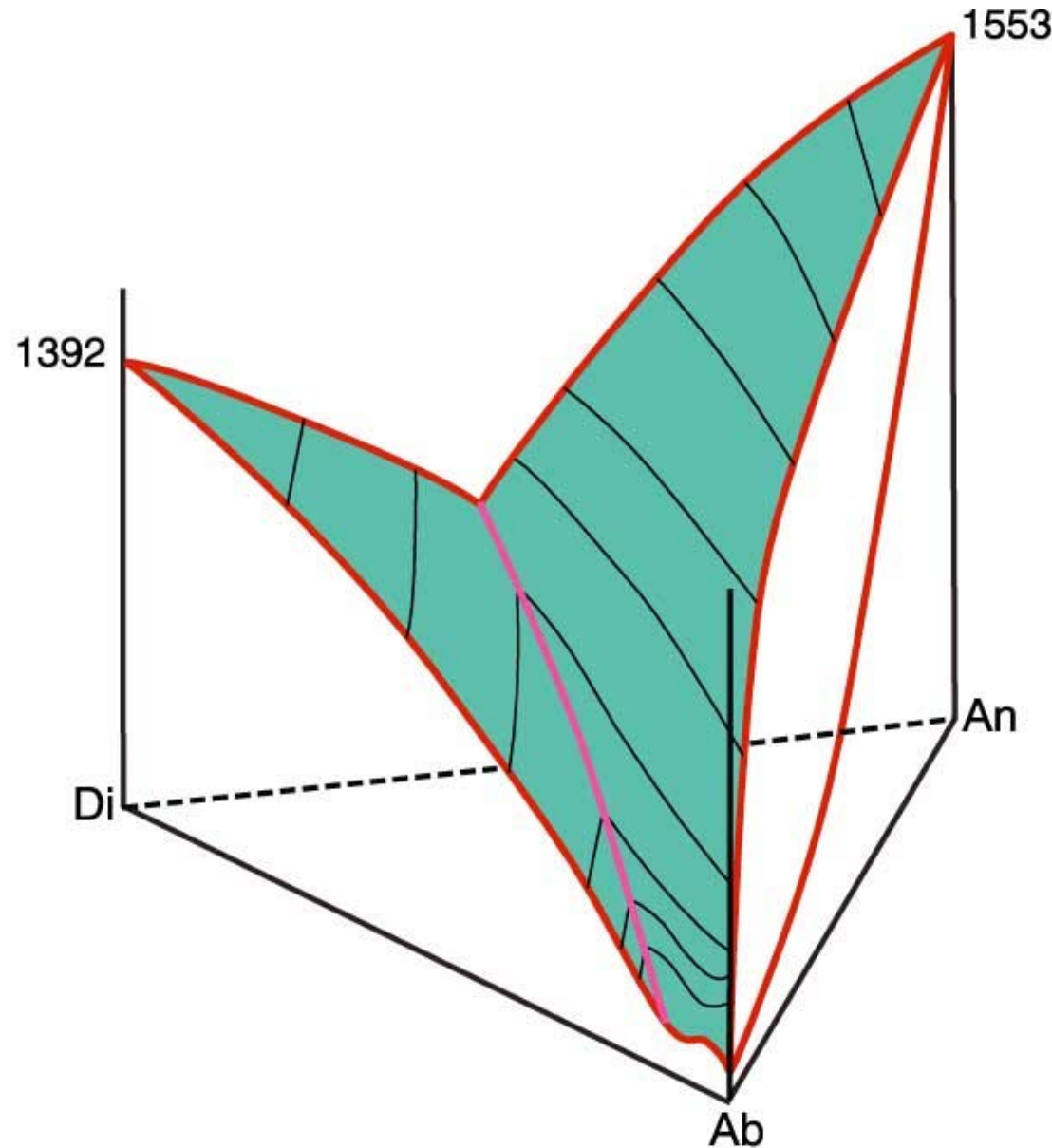






Diopside-Albite-Anorthite

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



Di - An eutectic

Di - Ab eutectic

Ab - An solid solution

Isobaric polythermal projection

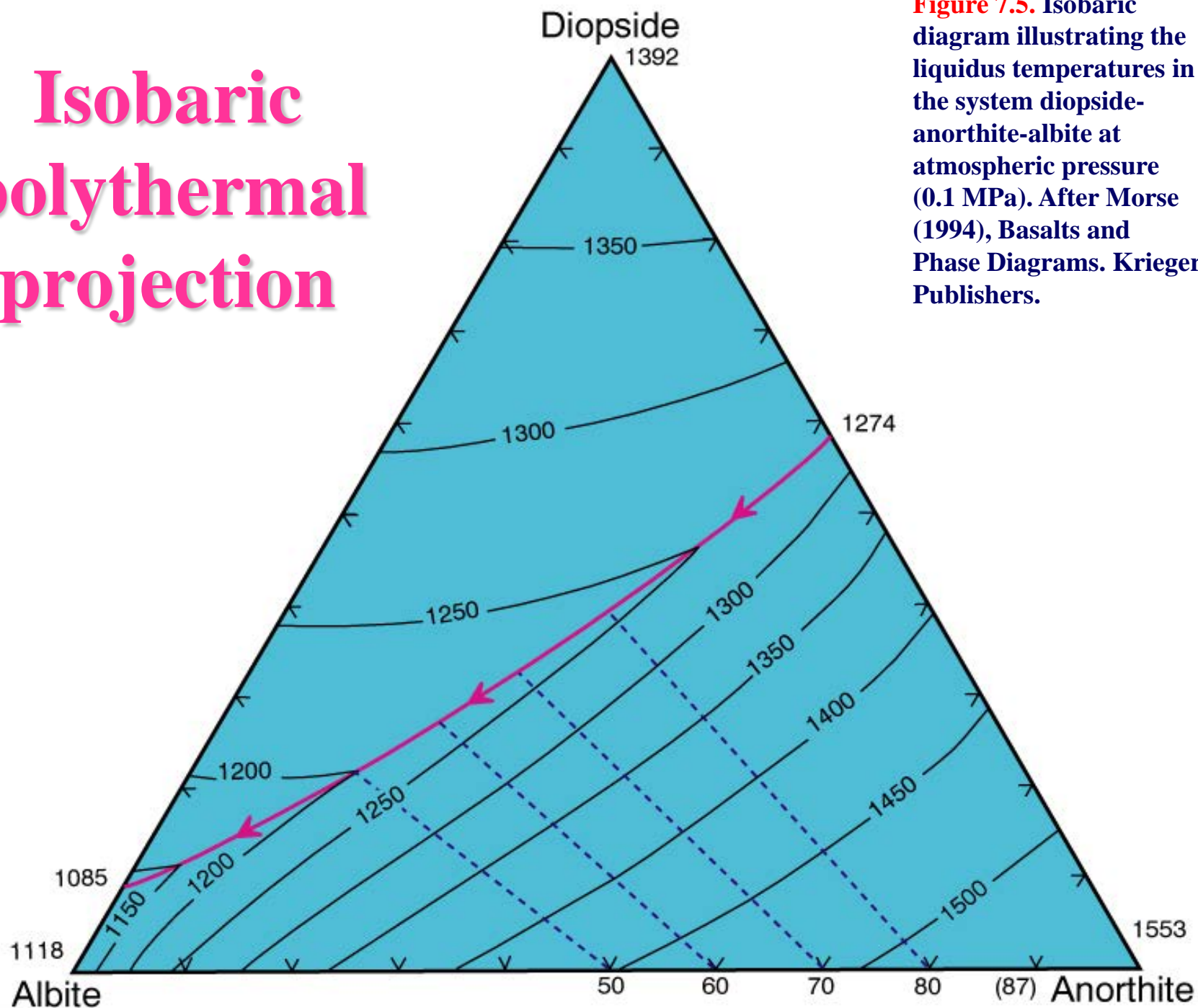
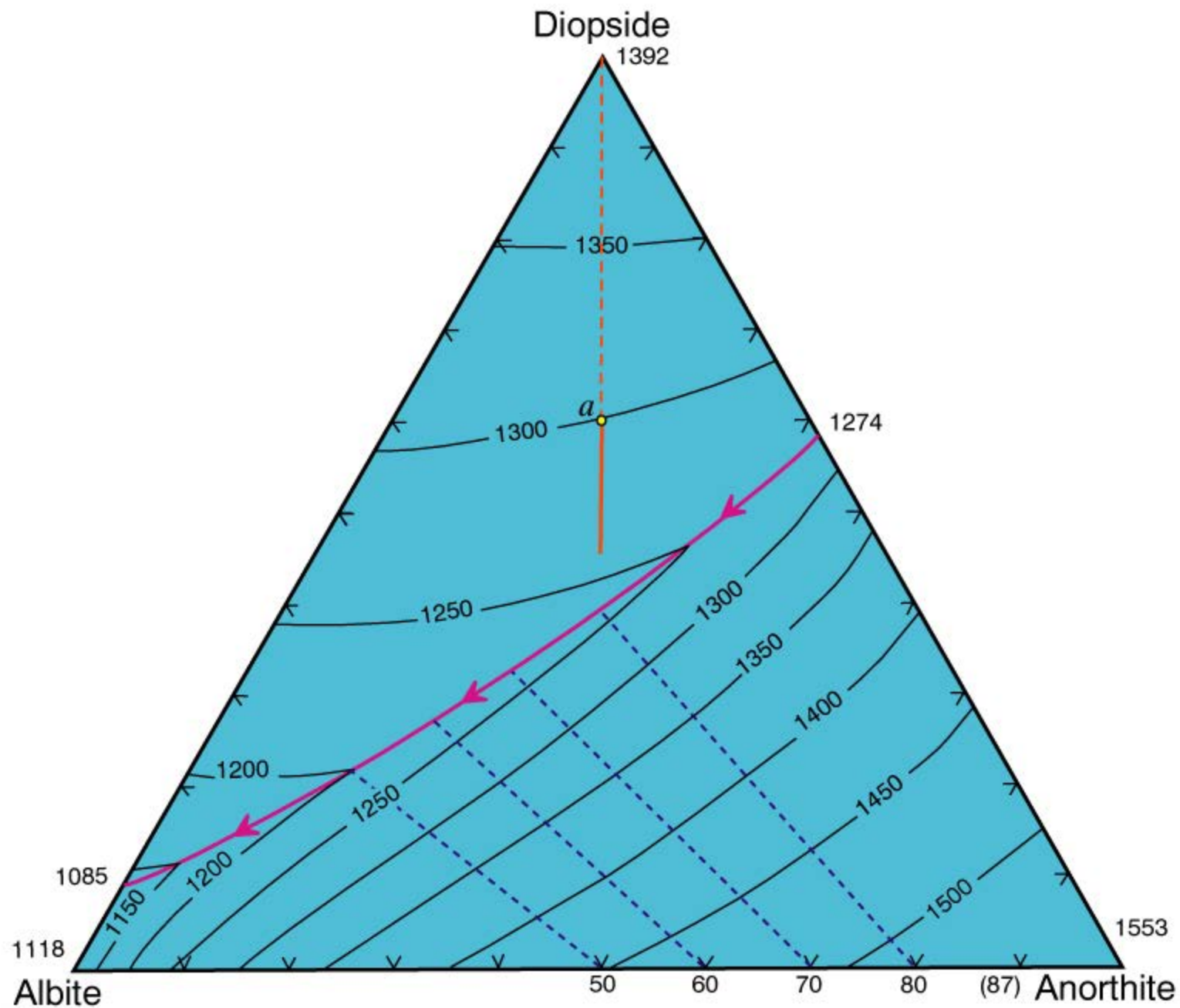
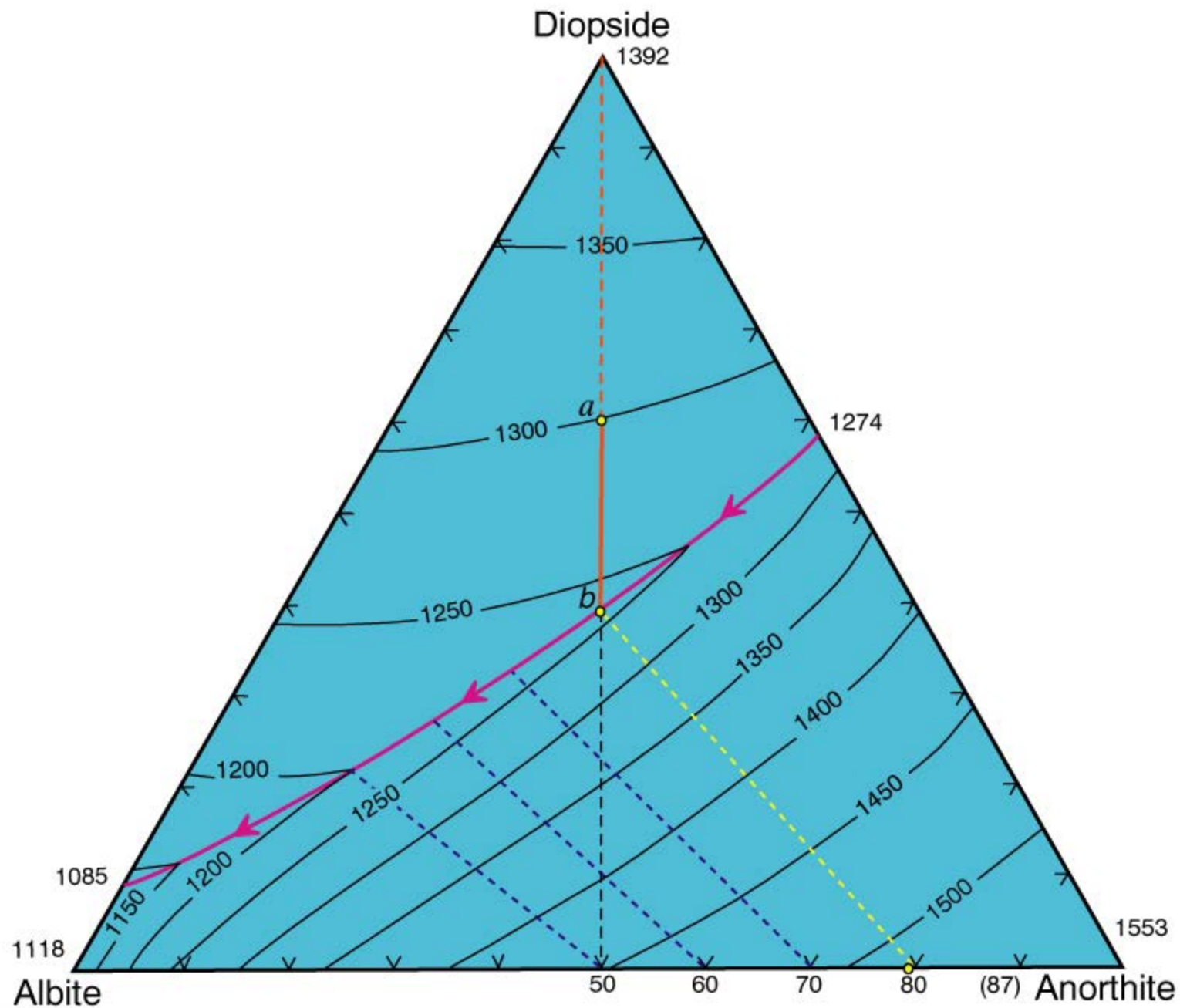
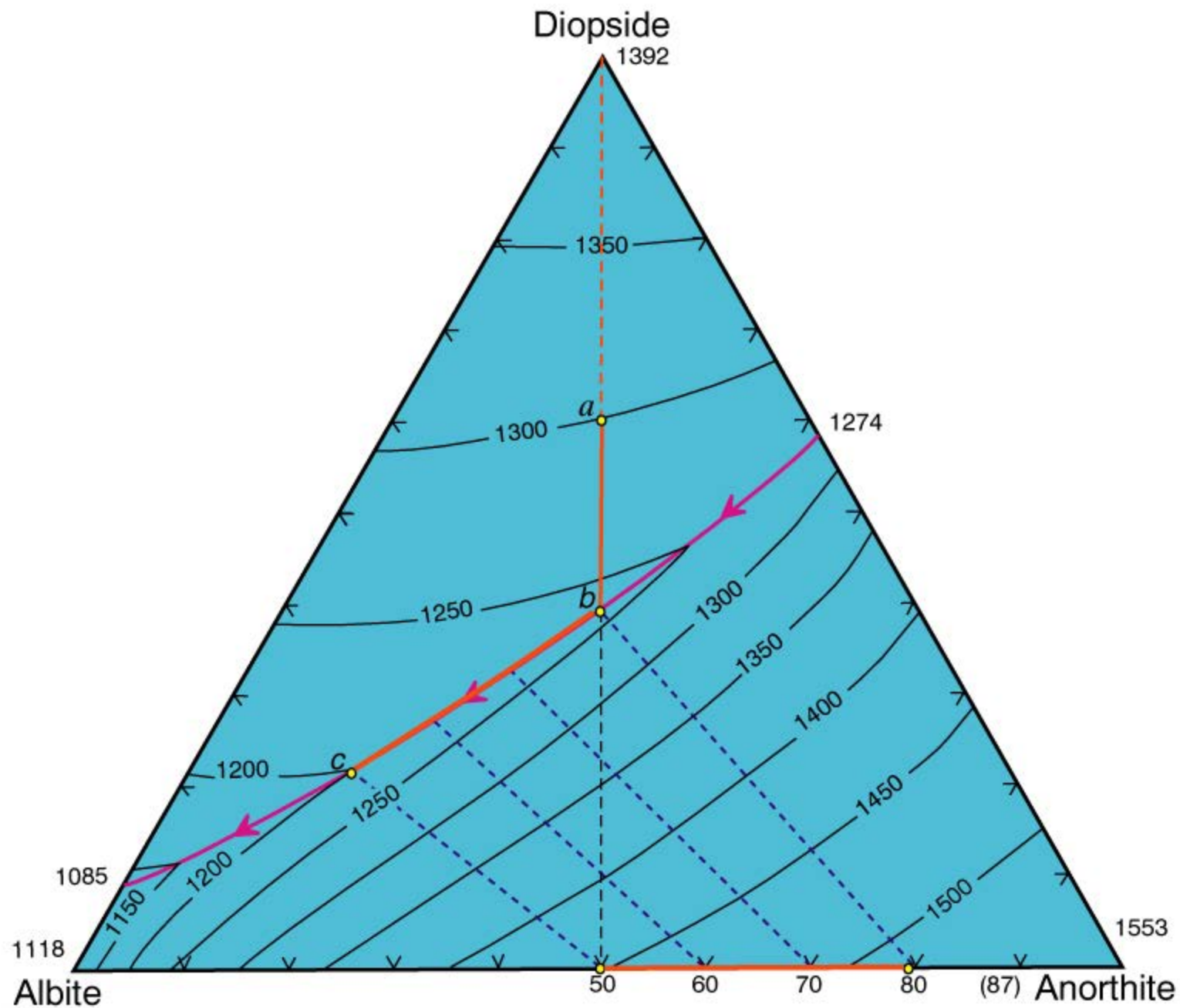
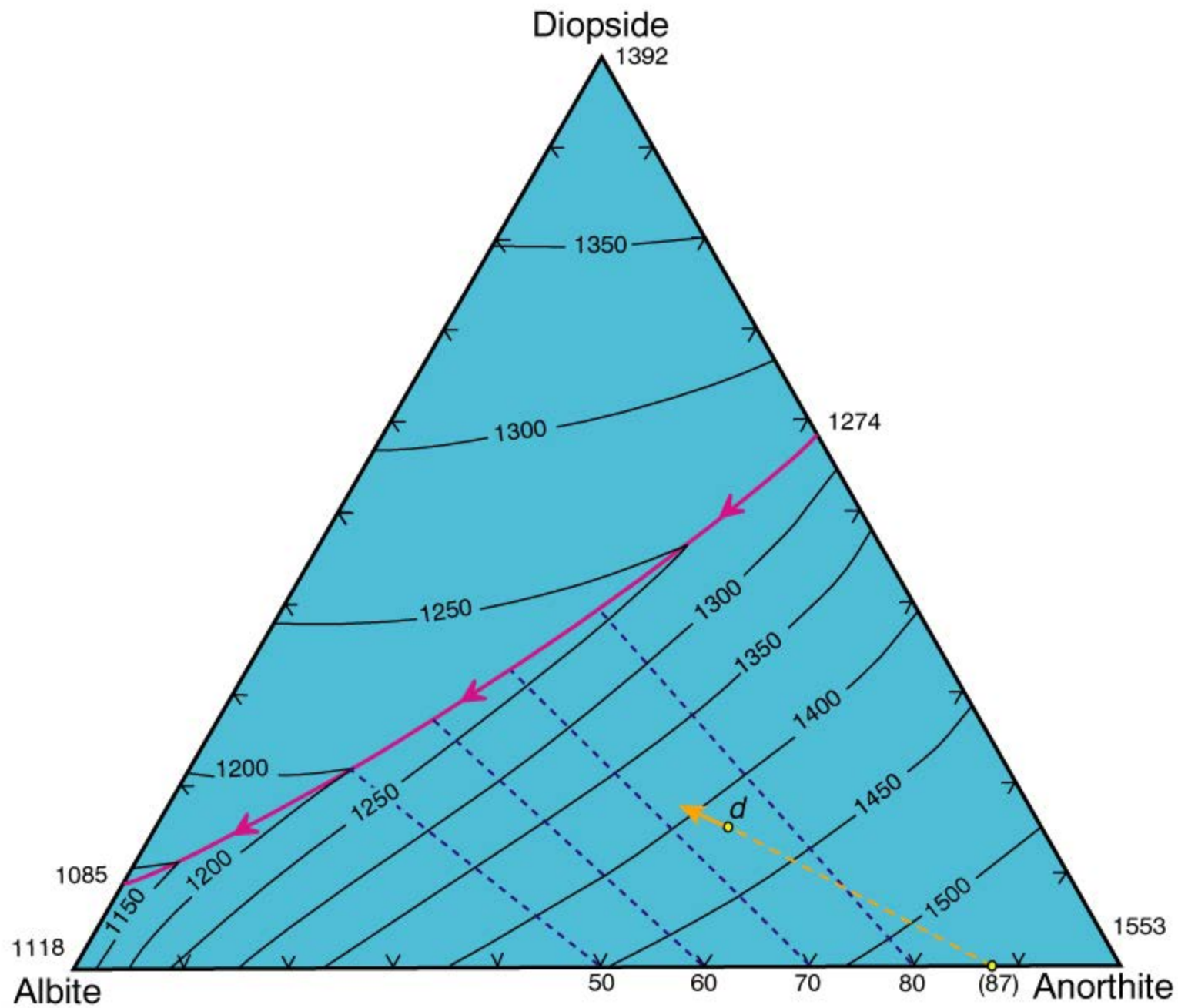


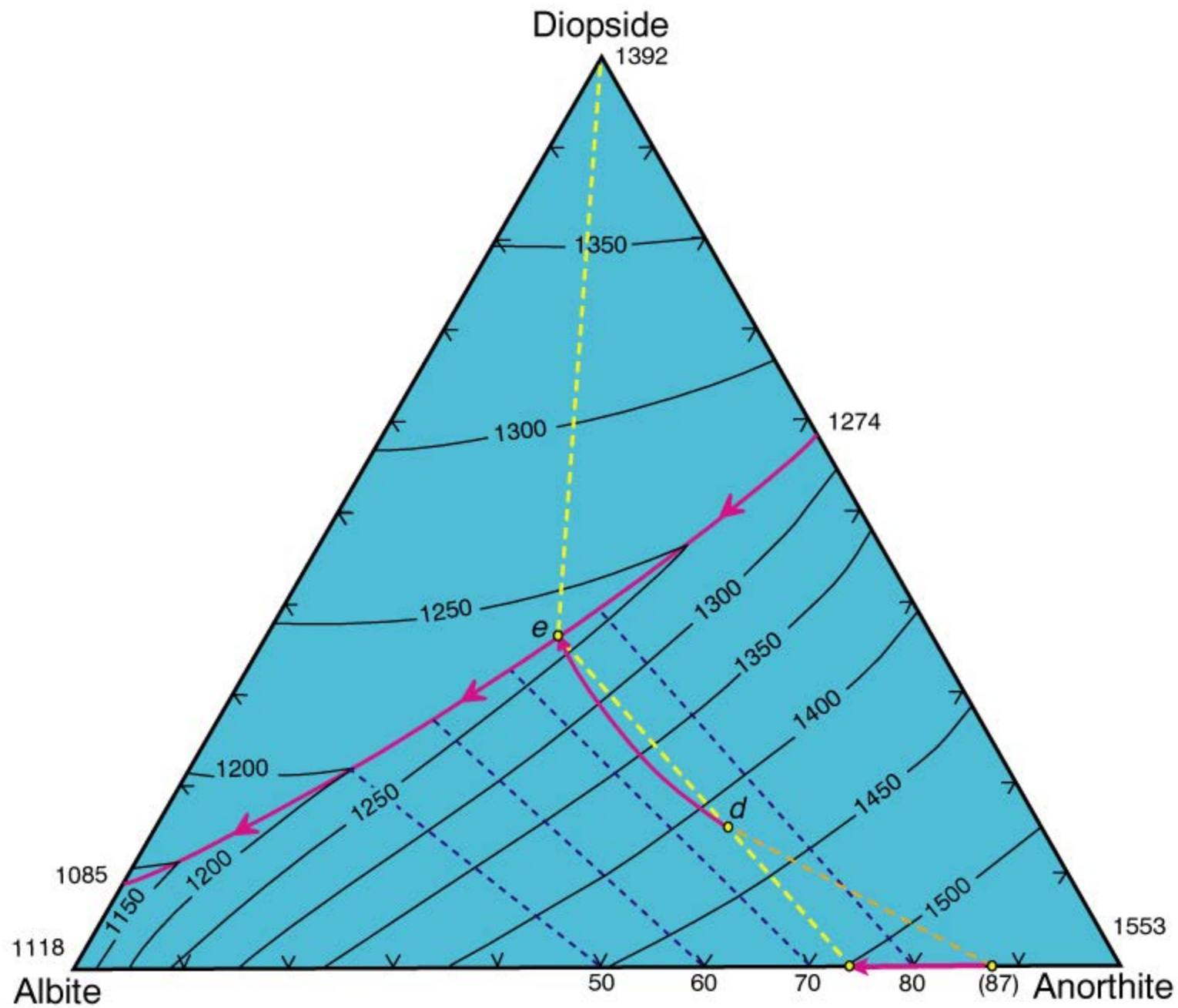
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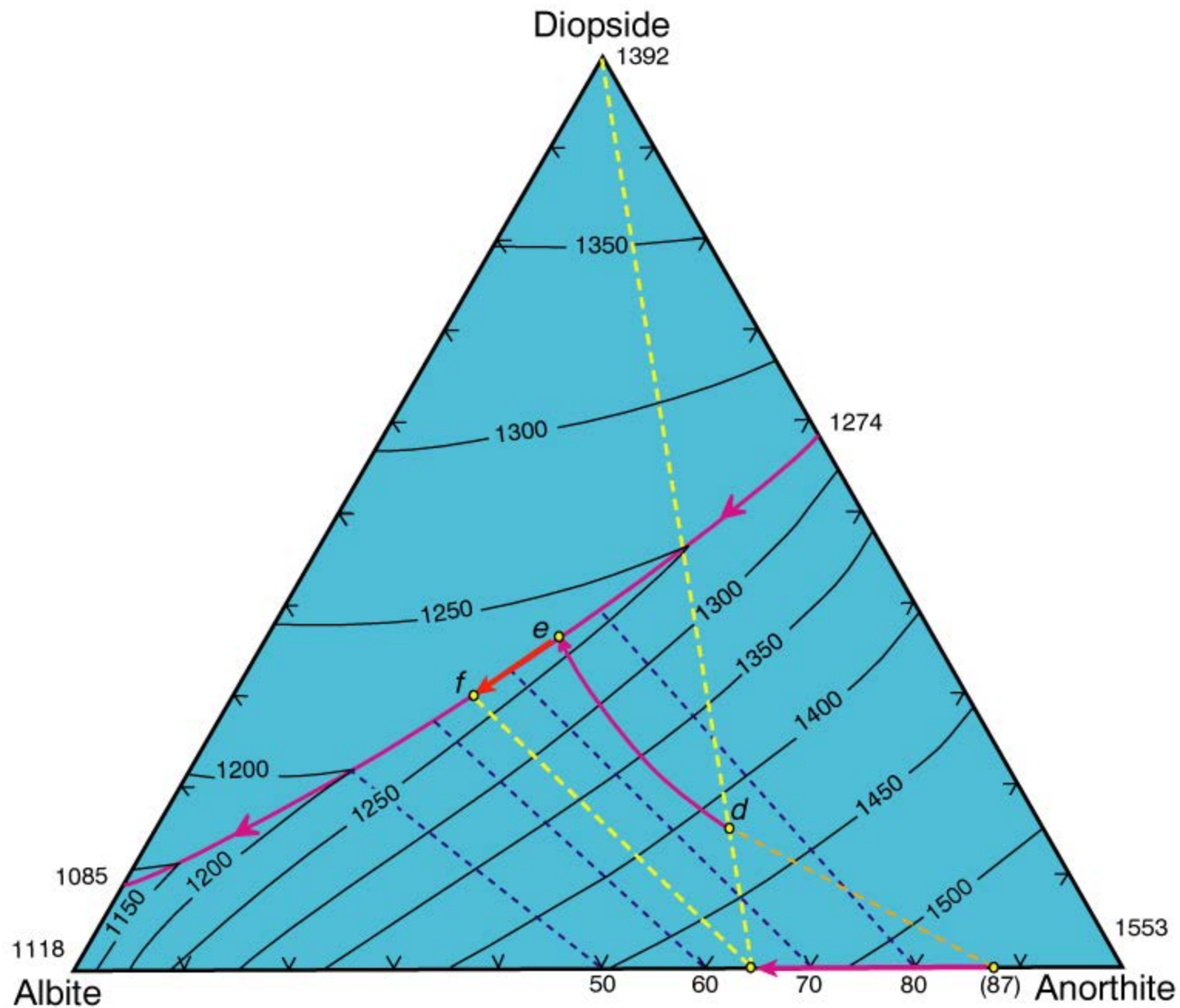




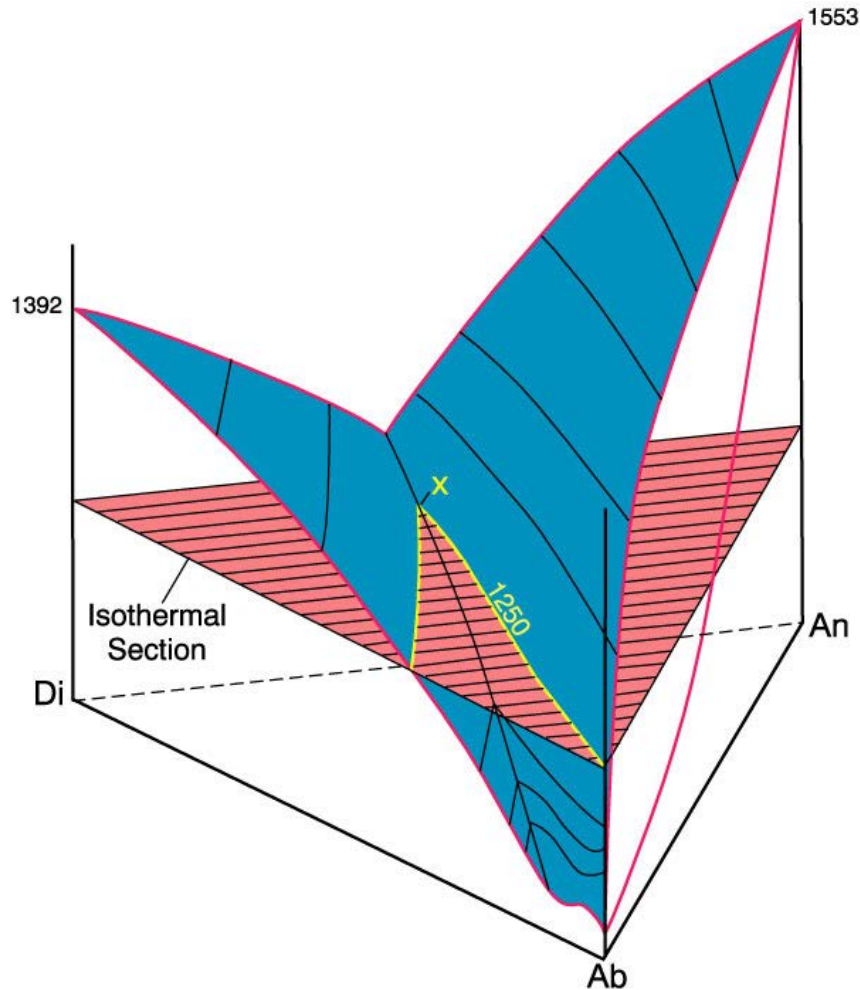








Oblique View



Isothermal Section

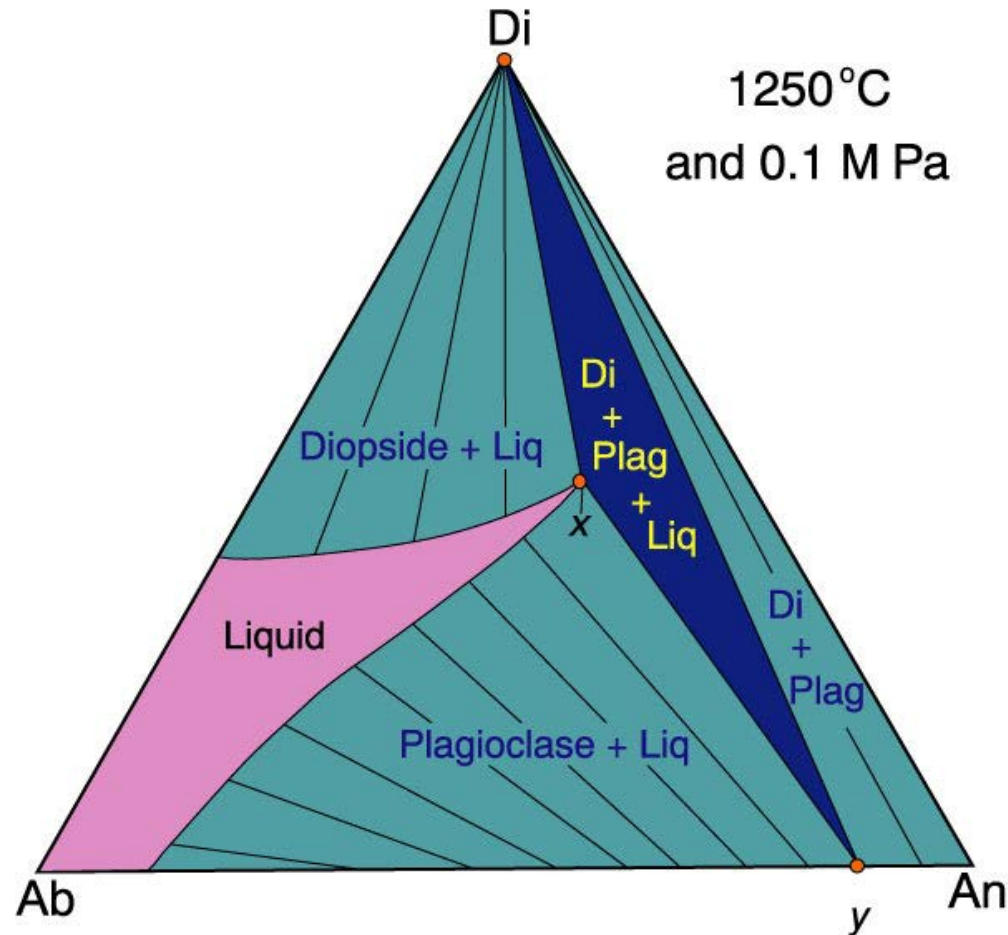


Figure 7.8. Oblique view illustrating an isothermal section through the diopside-albite-anorthite system. **Figure 7.9.** Isothermal section at 1250°C (and 0.1 MPa) in the system Di-An-Ab. Both from Morse (1994), *Basalts and Phase Diagrams*. Krieger Publishers.

Ternary Feldspars

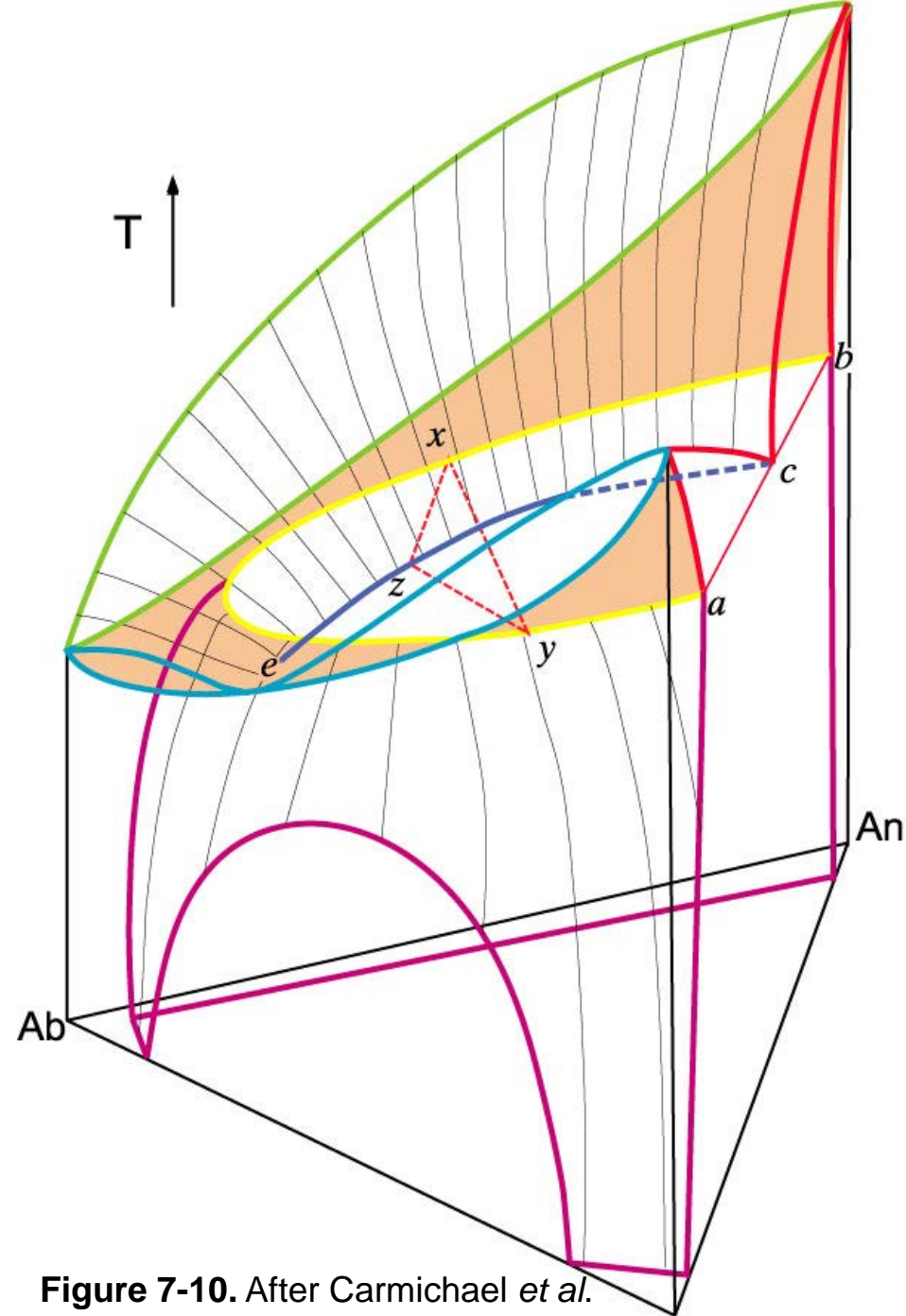
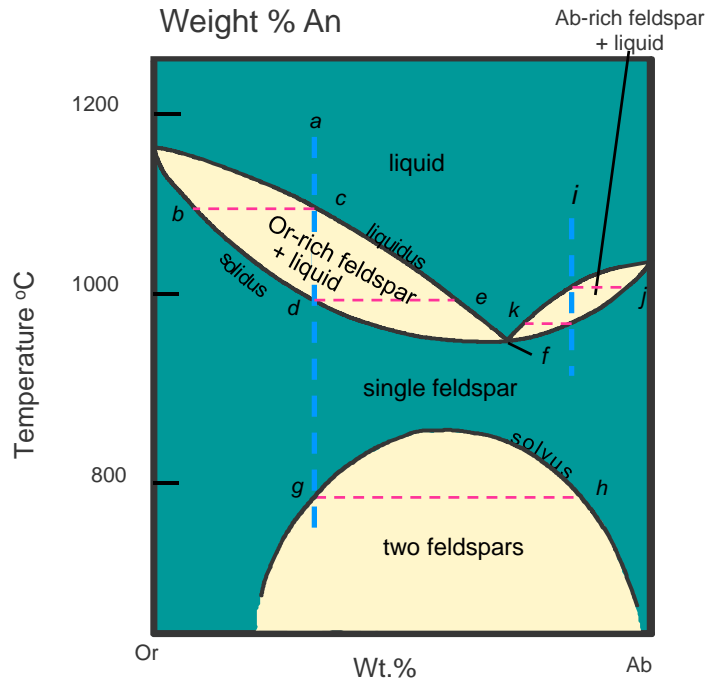
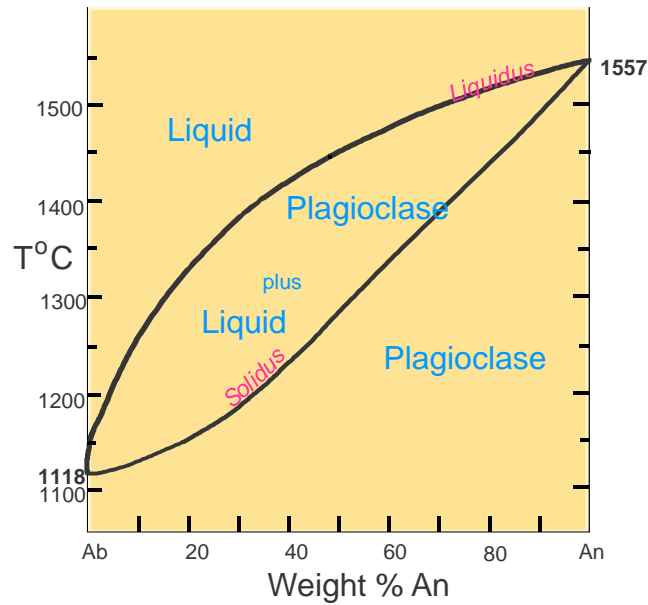


Figure 7-10. After Carmichael *et al.* (1974), Igneous Petrology. McGraw Hill. Or

Ternary Feldspars

Trace of solvus
at three
temperature
intervals

Triangle shows coexisting
feldspars and liquid at
900°C

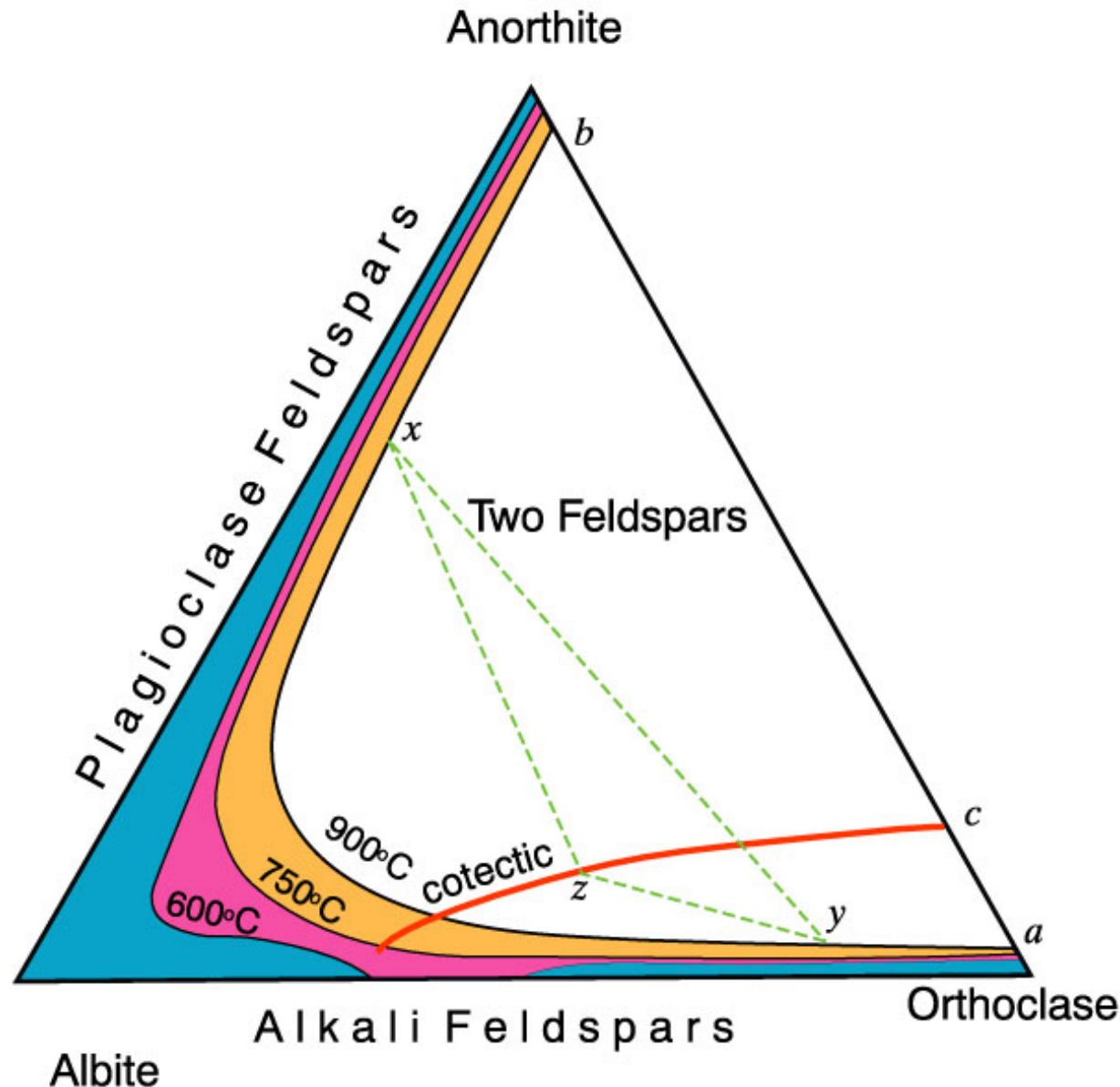


Figure 7.11. Winter (2010) An Introduction to Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology. Prentice Hall.

4 - Component Diagrams

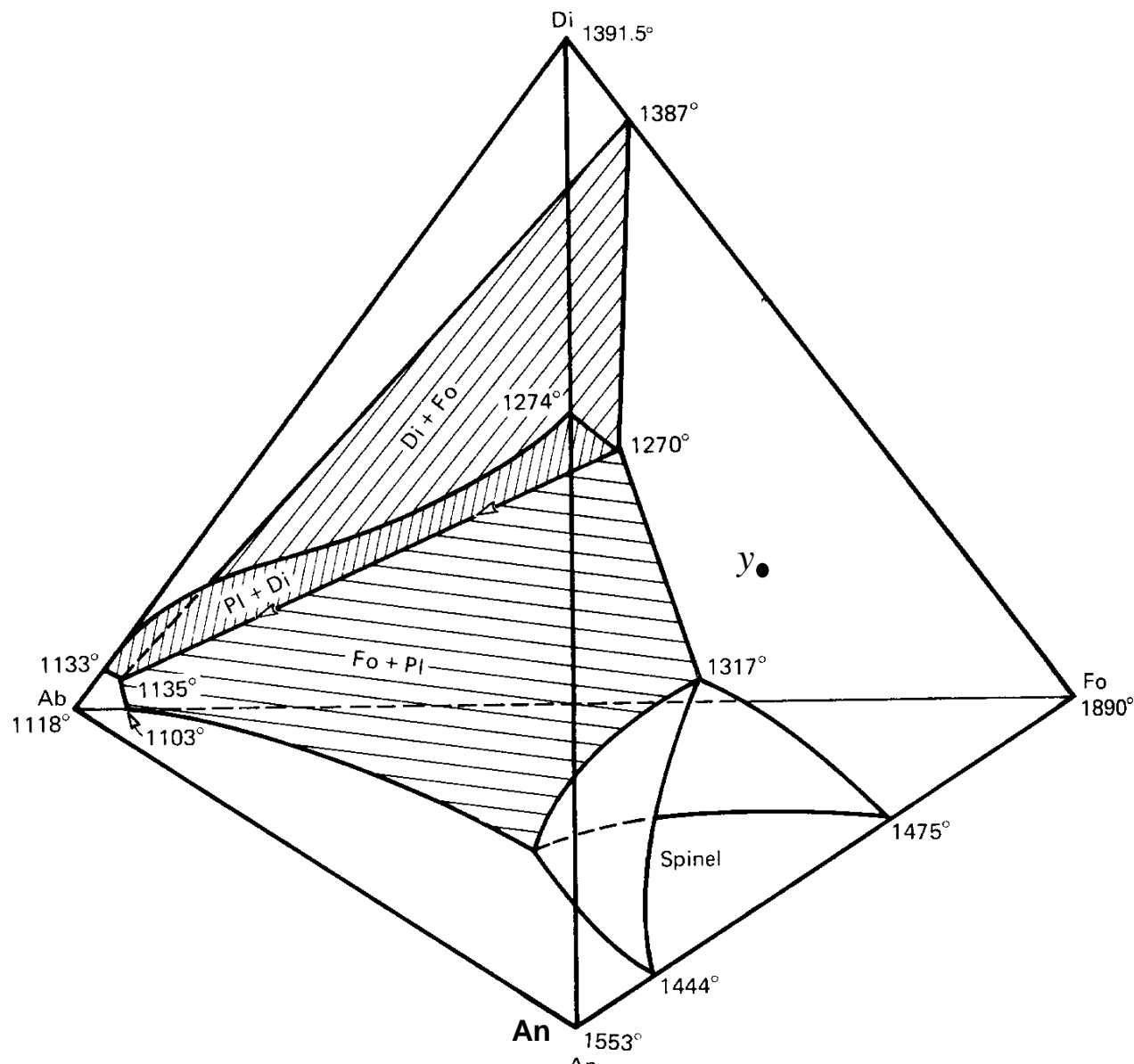
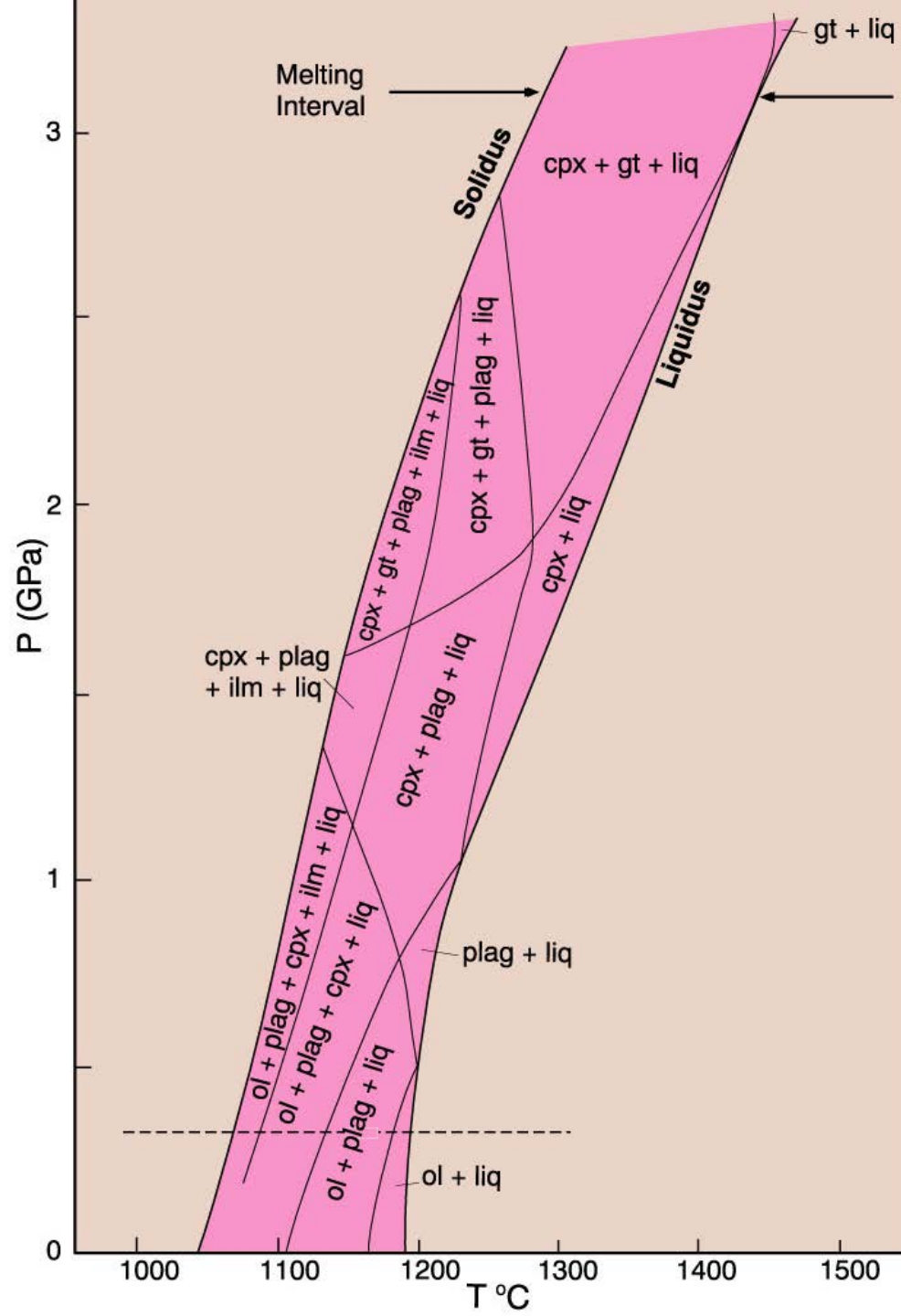


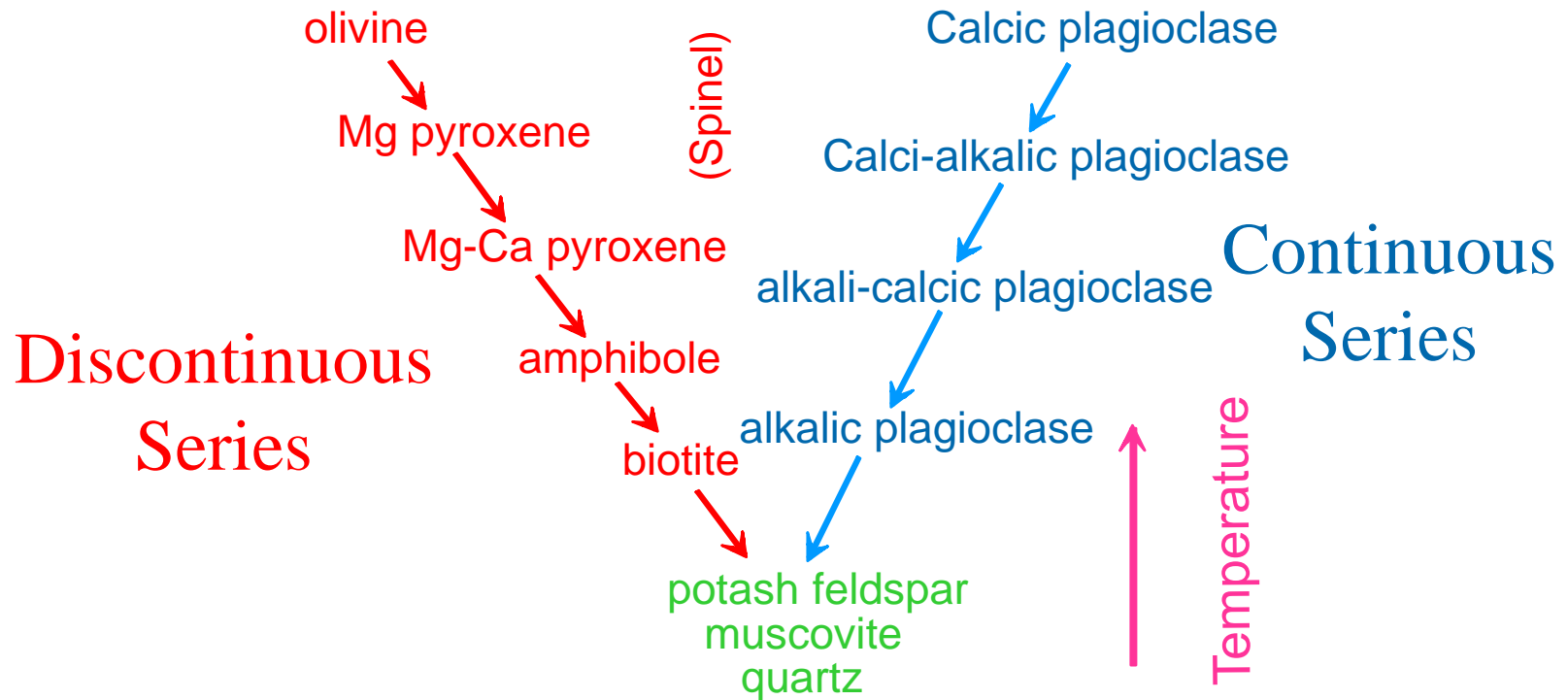
Figure 7.12. The system diopside-anorthite-albite-forsterite. After Yoder and Tilley (1962). J. Petrol.

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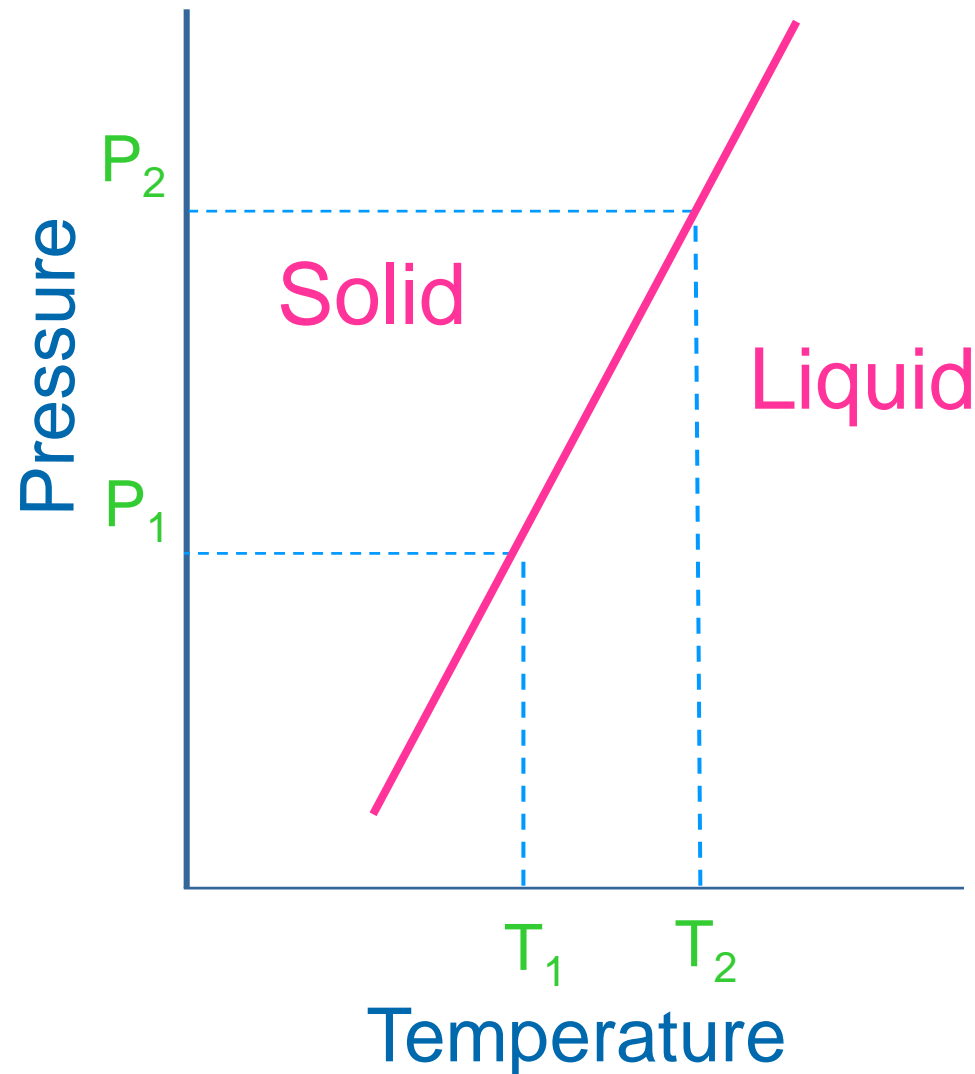
Figure 7.13. Pressure-temperature phase diagram for the melting of a Snake River (Idaho, USA) tholeiitic basalt under anhydrous conditions. After Thompson (1972). Carnegie Inst. Wash Yb. 71



Bowen's Reaction Series



The Effect of Pressure



Eutectic system

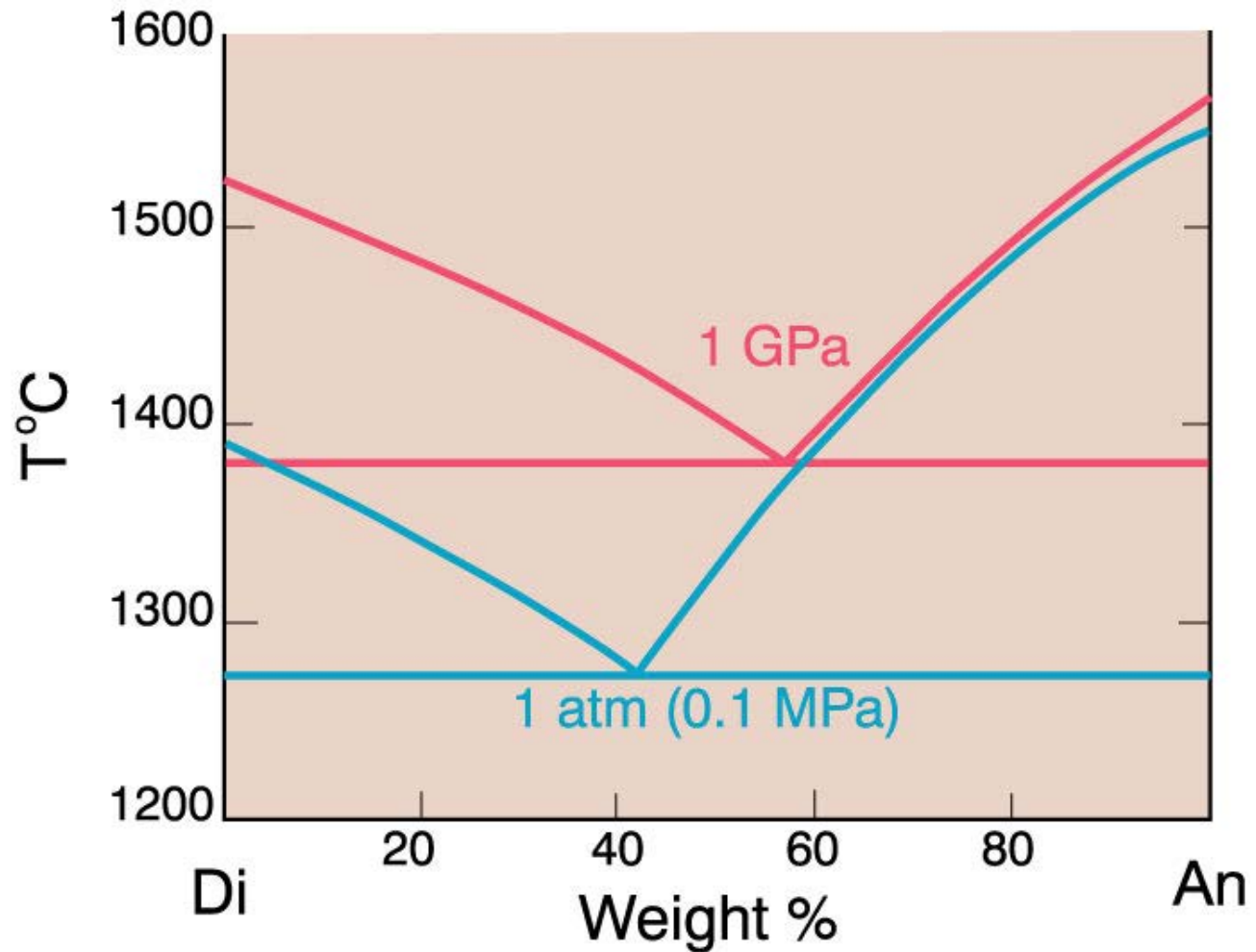


Figure 7.16. Effect of lithostatic pressure on the liquidus and eutectic composition in the diopside-anorthite system. 1 GPa data from Presnall *et al.* (1978). *Contr. Min. Pet.*, 66, 203-220.

The Effect of Water on Melting

Dry melting: solid \rightarrow liquid

Add water- water enters the melt

Reaction becomes:

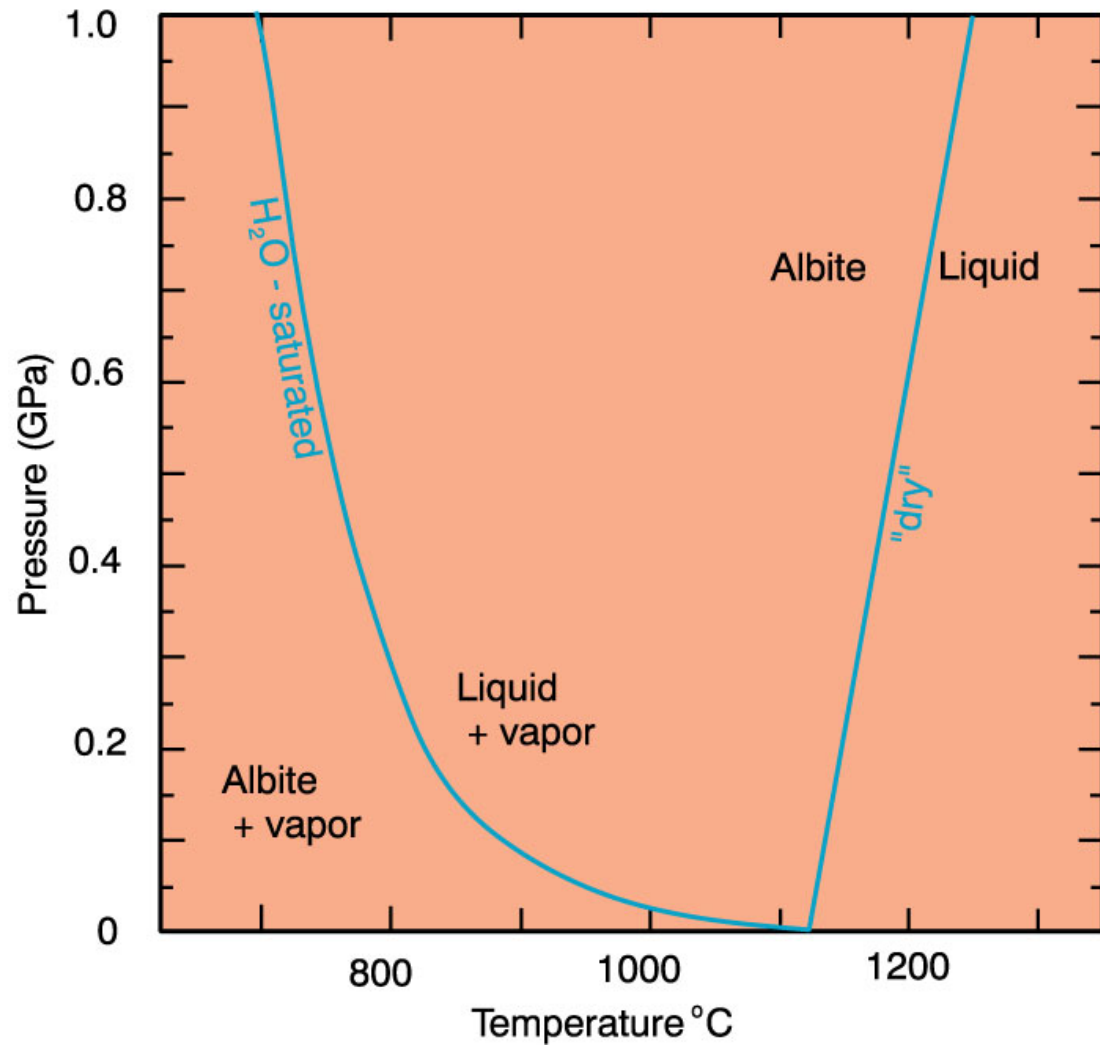


Figure 7.19. The effect of H₂O saturation on the melting of albite, from the experiments by Burnham and Davis (1974). *A J Sci* 274, 902-940. The “dry” melting curve is from Boyd and England (1963). *JGR* 68, 311-323.

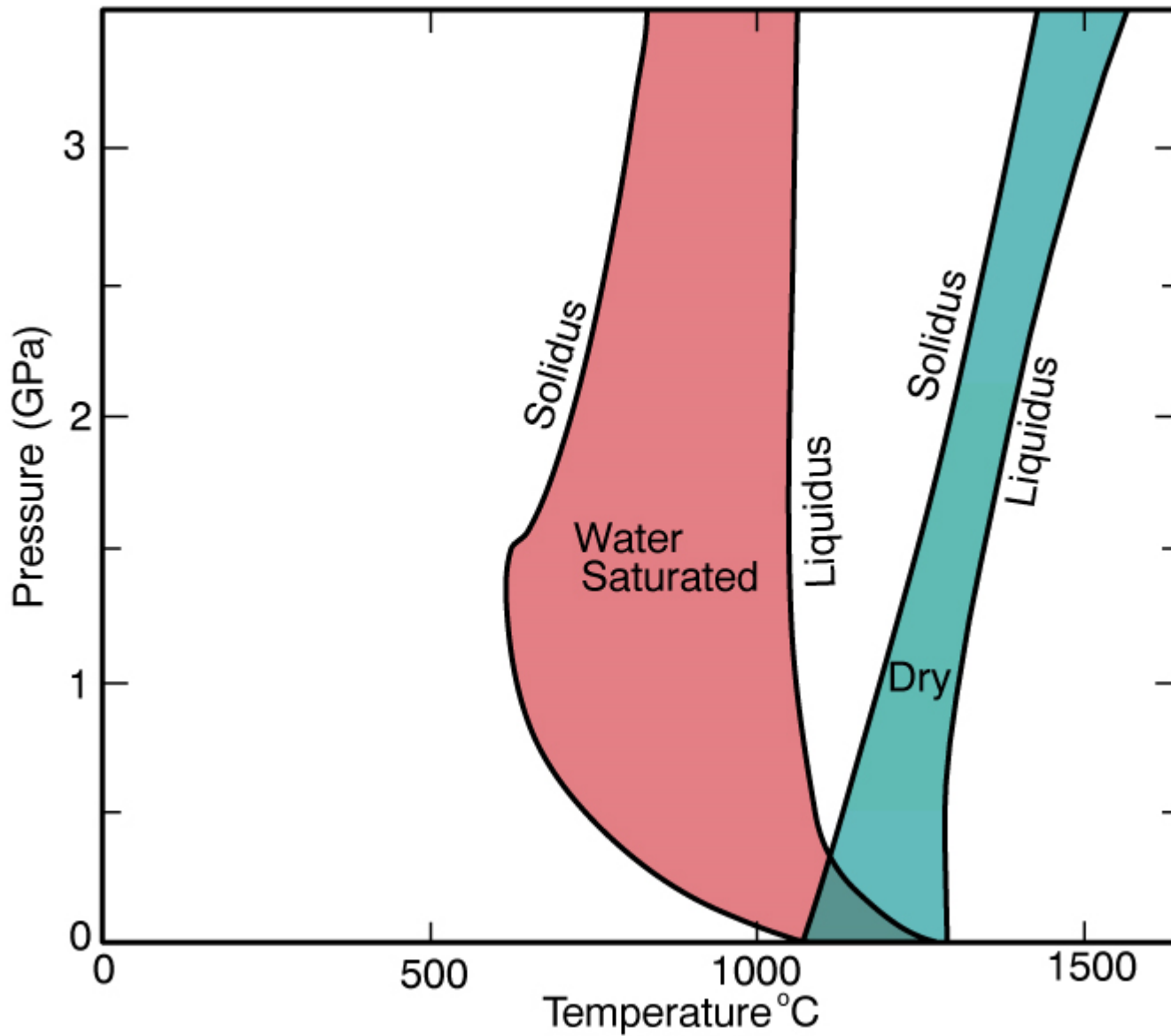


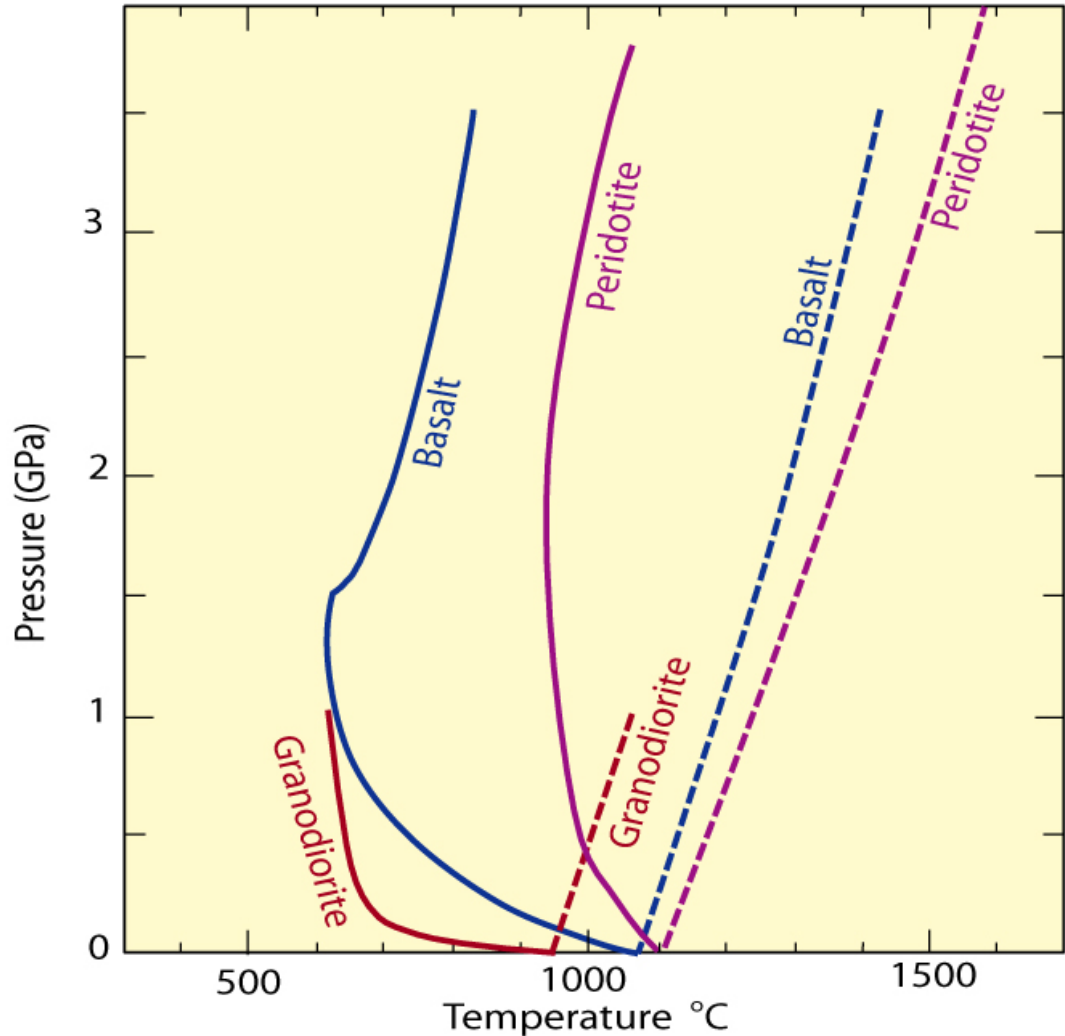
Figure 7.20. Experimentally determined melting intervals of gabbro under H₂O-free (“dry”), and H₂O-saturated conditions. After Lambert and Wyllie (1972). *J. Geol.*, 80, 693-708.

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. H₂O-saturated (solid) and H₂O-free (dashed) solidi (beginning of melting) for granodiorite (Robertson and Wyllie, 1971), gabbro (Lambert and Wyllie, 1972) and peridotite (H₂O-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 water-saturated melt

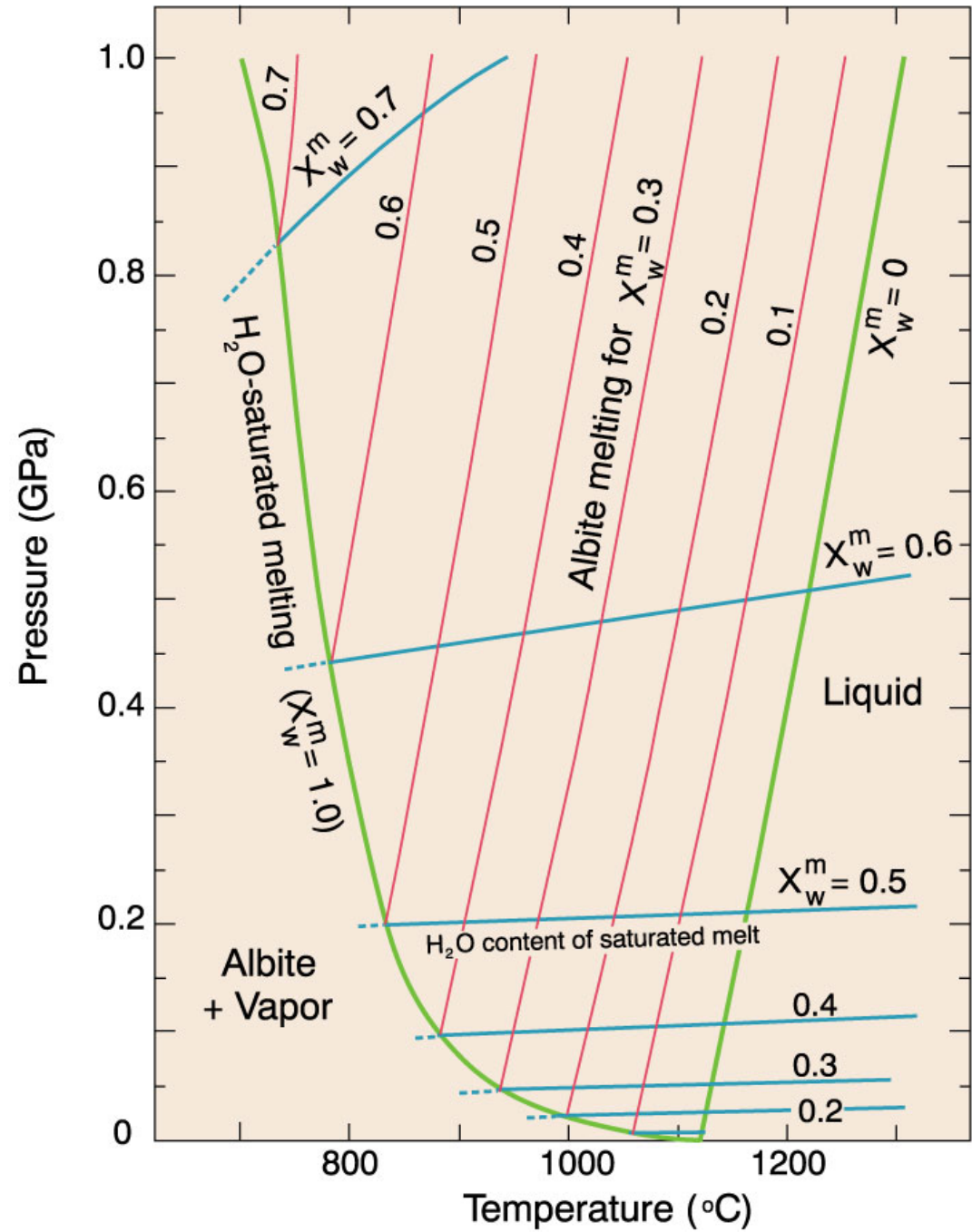


Figure 7.22. From Burnham and Davis (1974). A J Sci., 274, 902-940.

Raise a melt with a ratio
of albite:water = 1:1

$$(X_{\text{water}}^{\text{melt}} = 0.5)$$

from point a at 925°C and
1 GPa pressure, toward the
Earth's surface under
isothermal conditions.

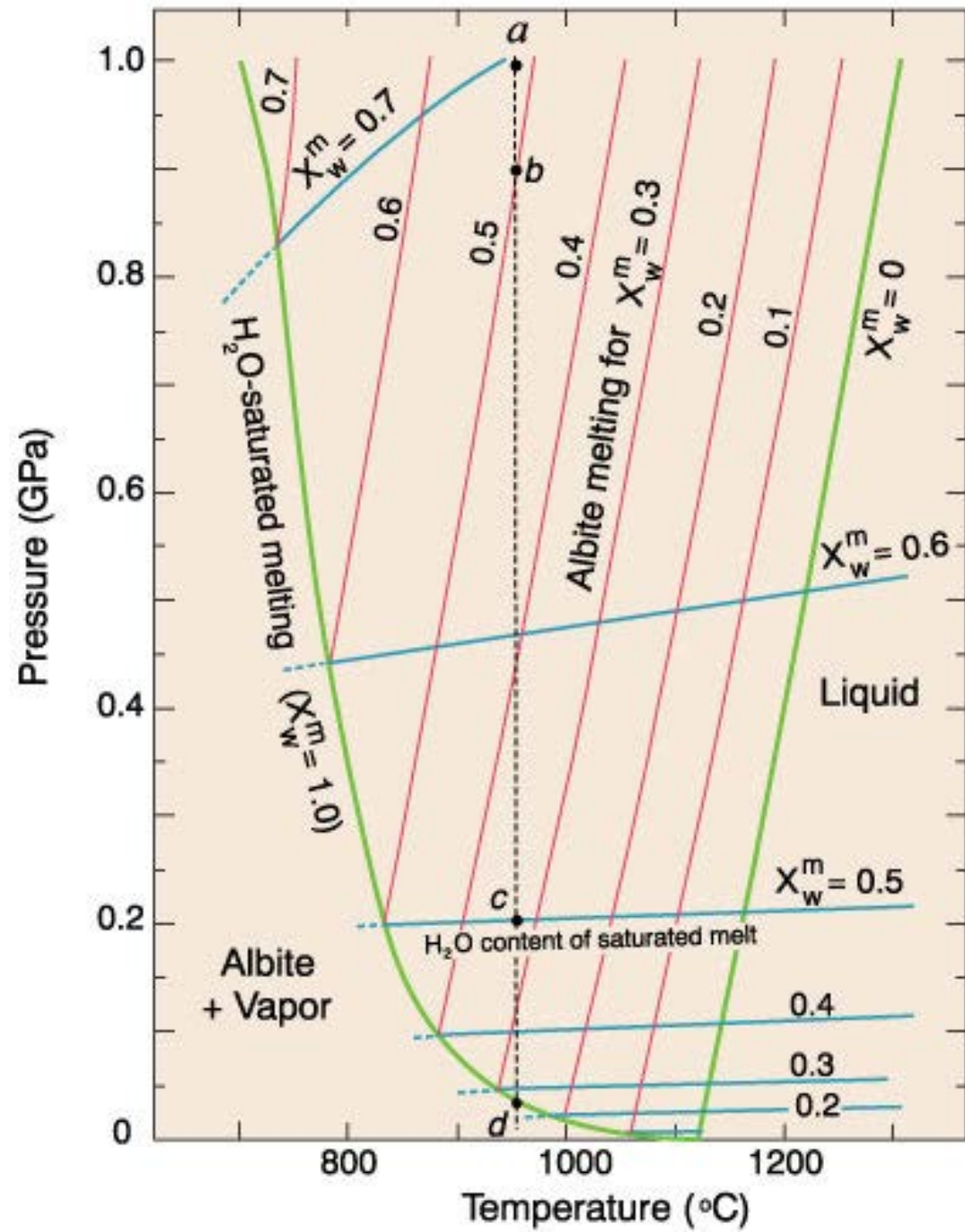


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Conclusions:

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

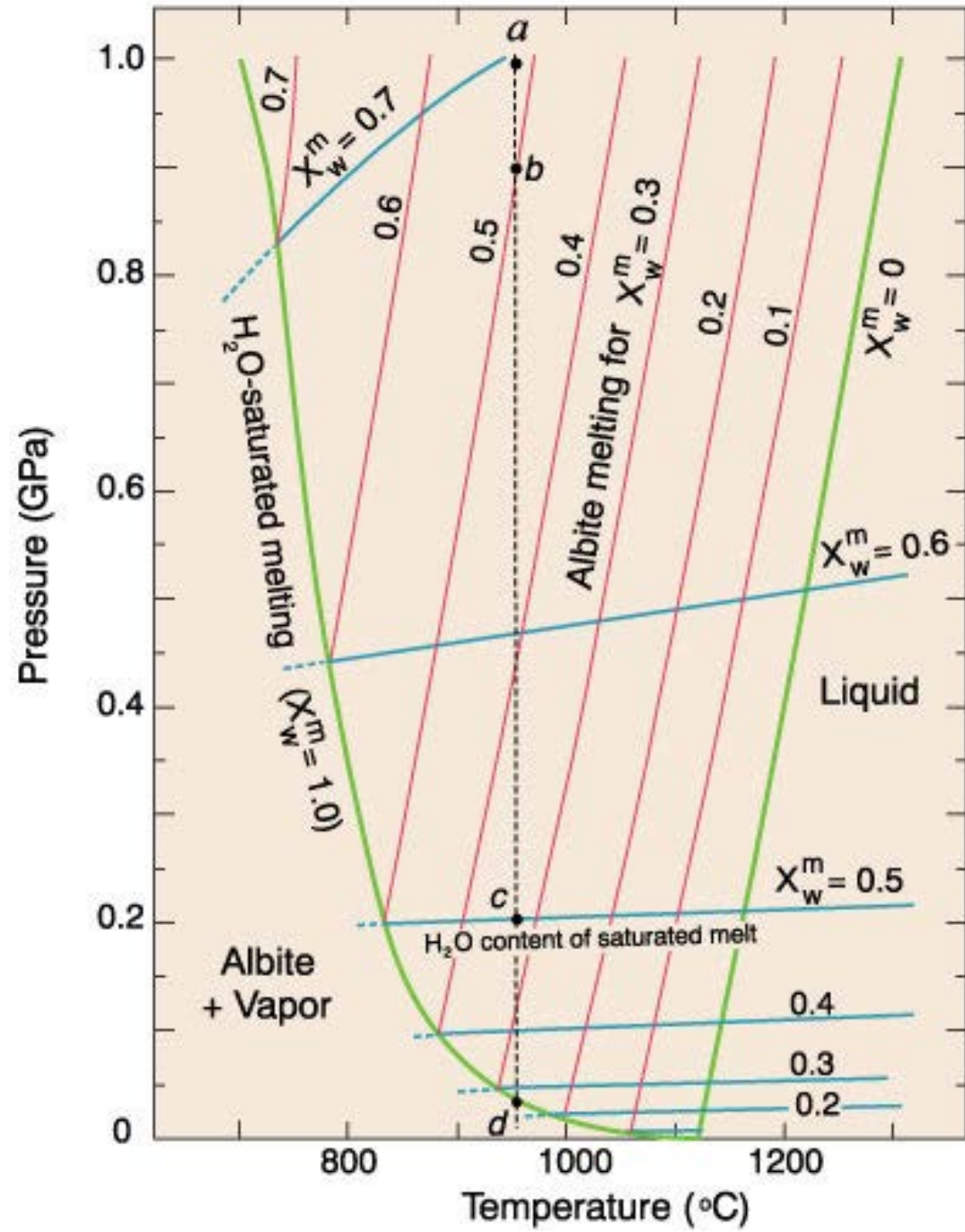


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Another example: isobaric heating of albite with 10 mol % water at 0.6 GPa.

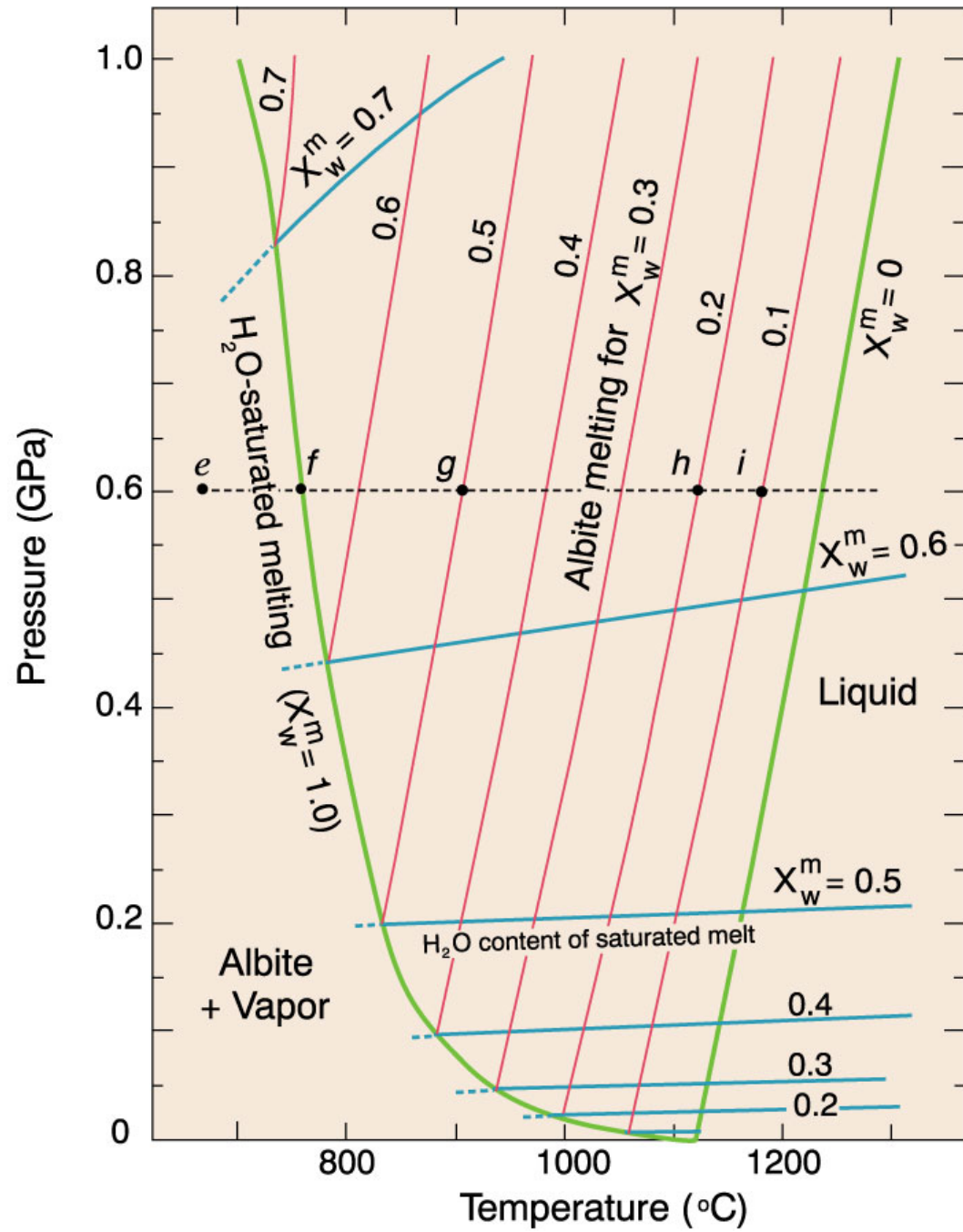
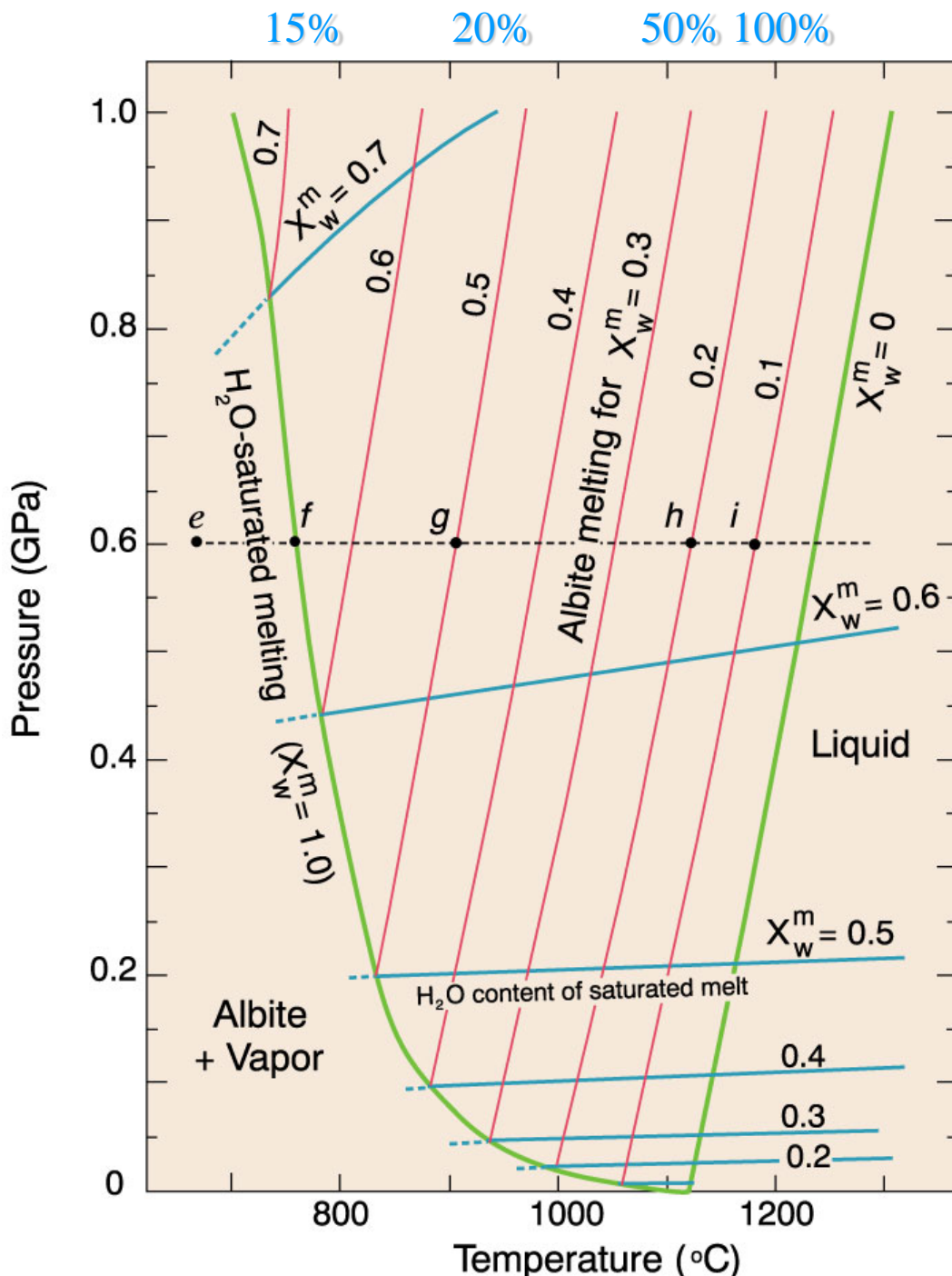


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Conclusion:

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

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Melting of Albite with a fixed activity of H_2O

Fluid may be a CO_2 - H_2O mixture with $P_f = P_{\text{Total}}$

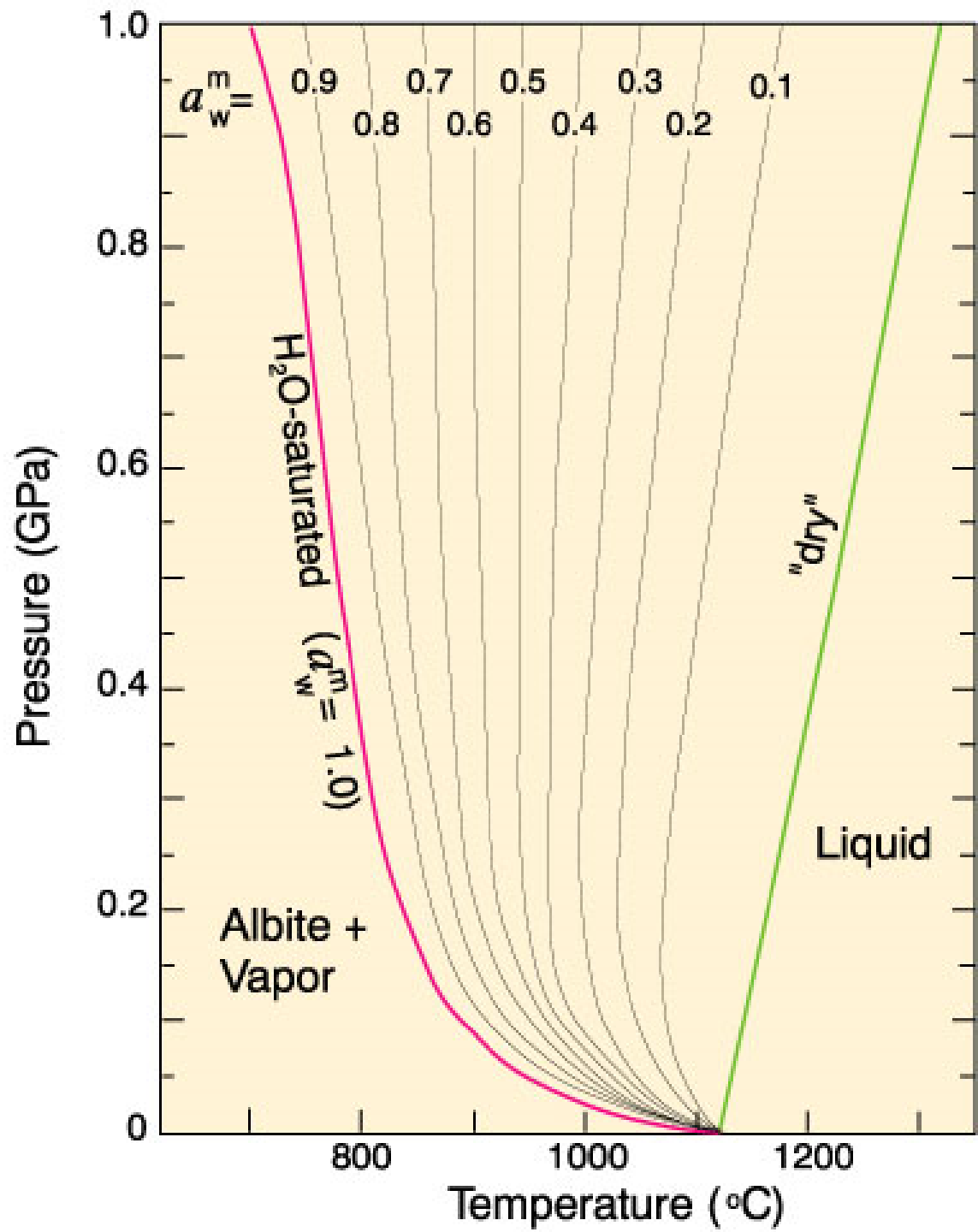


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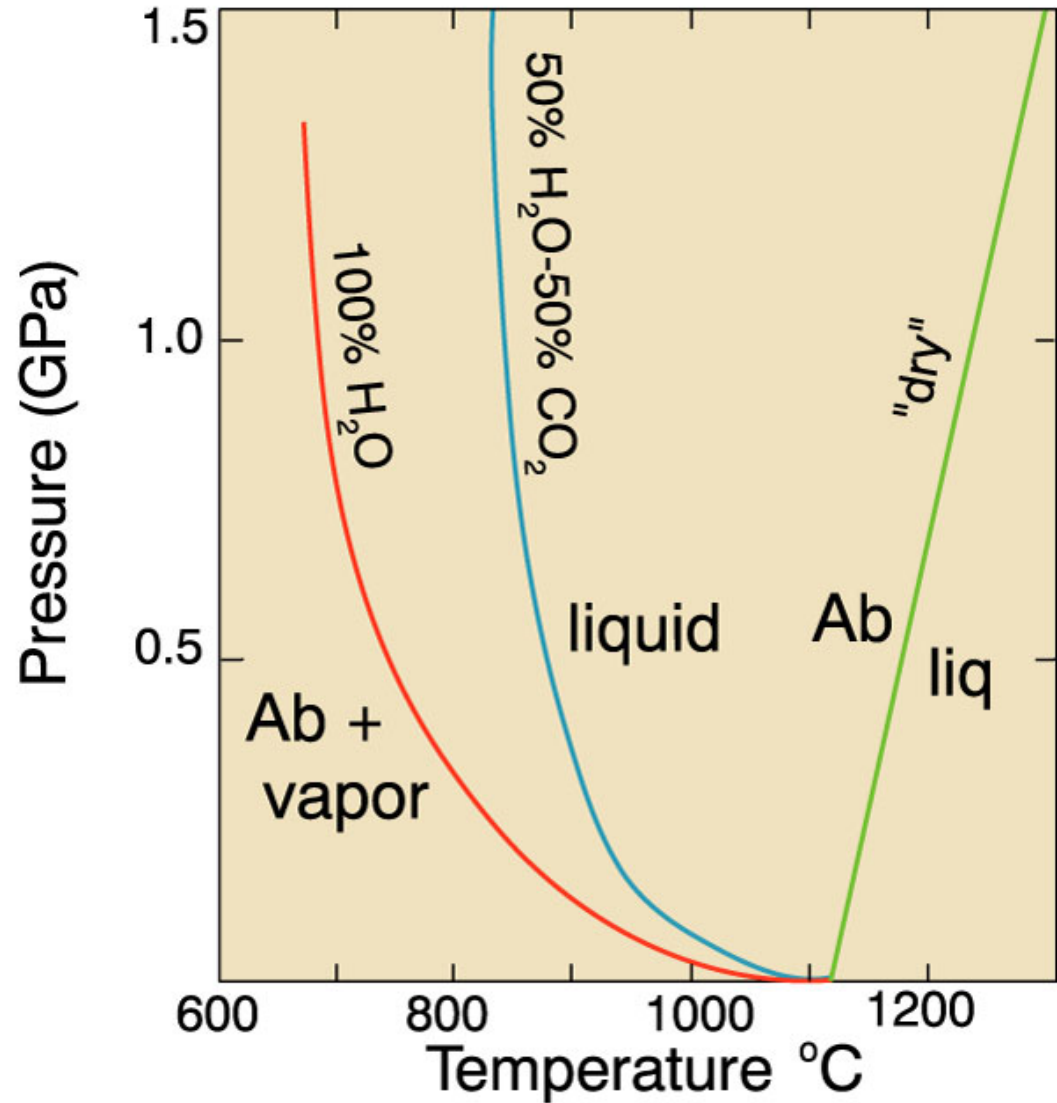


Figure 7.26. From Millhollen et al. (1974). J. Geol., **82**, 575-587.

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

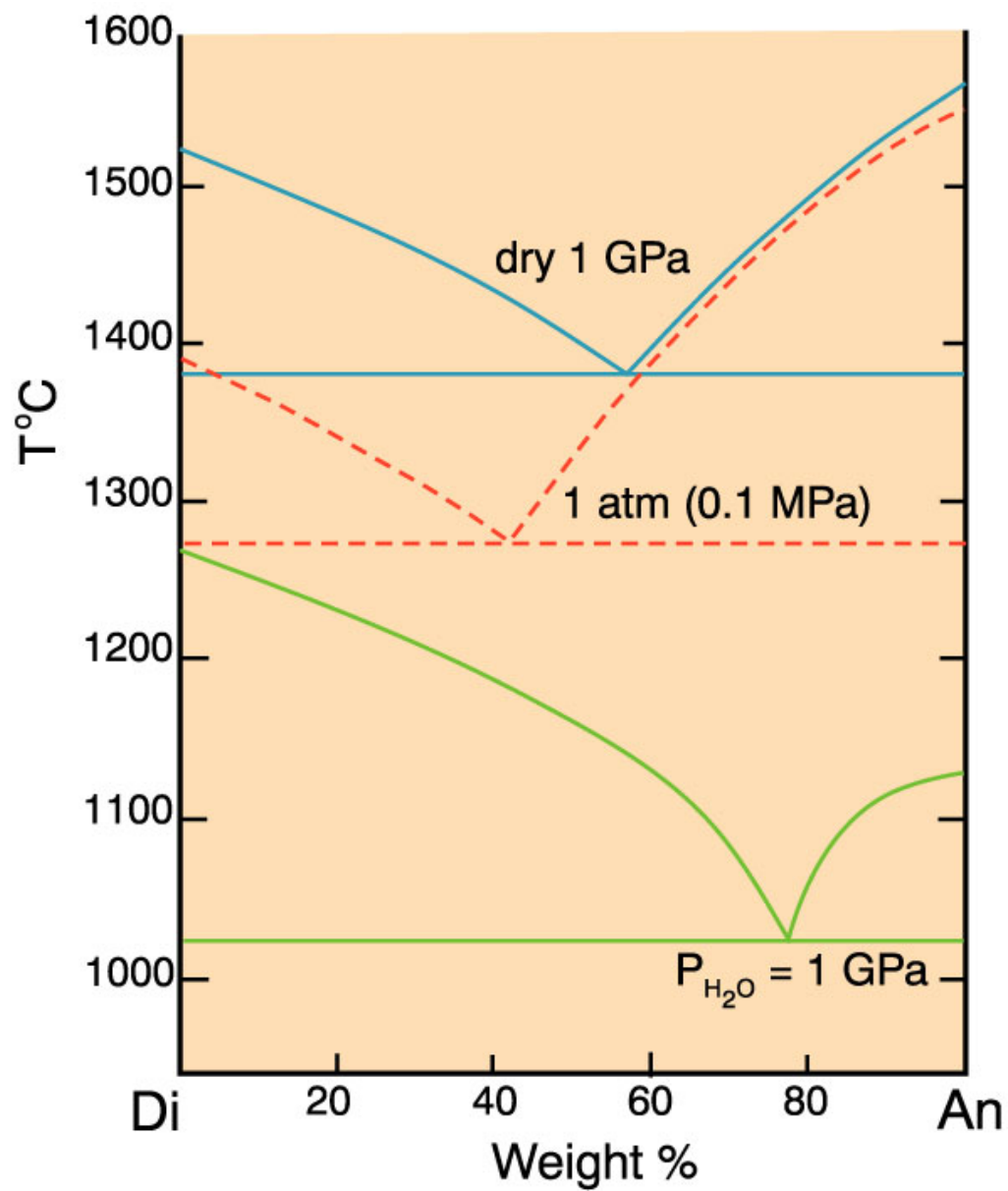
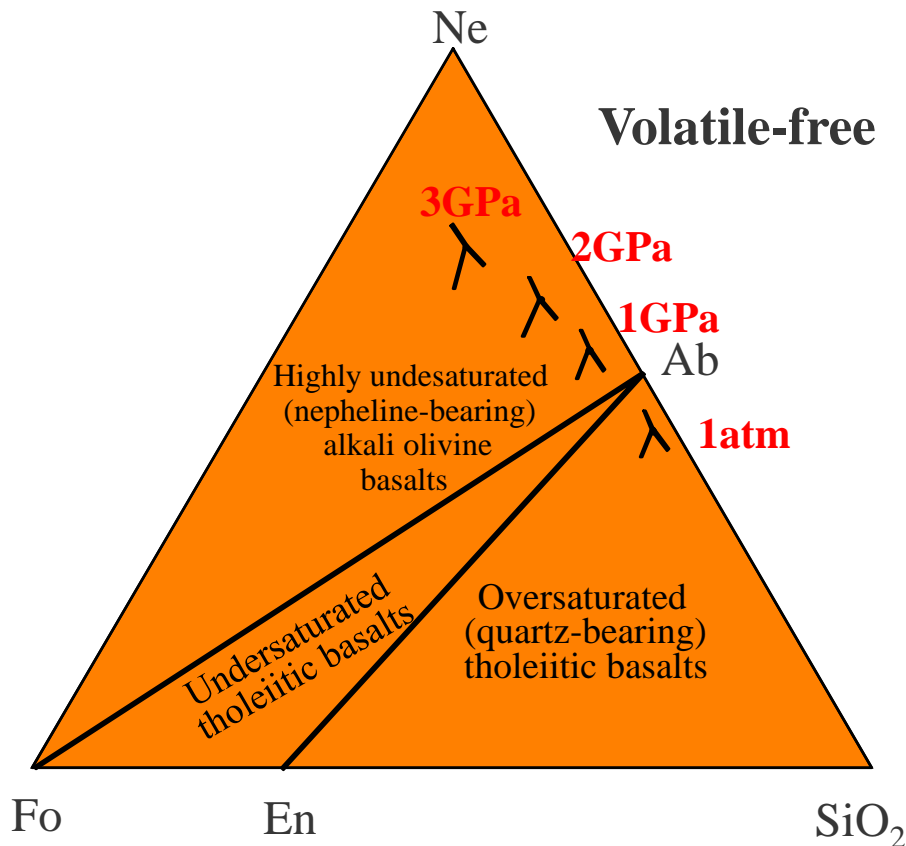


Figure 7.25. The effect of H₂O on the diopside-anorthite liquidus. Dry and 1 atm from Figure 7-16, $P_{H_2O} = P_{total}$ curve for 1 GPa from Yoder (1965). CIW Yb 64.

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



Water moves the (2 GPa) eutectic toward higher silica, while CO₂ moves it to more alkaline types

