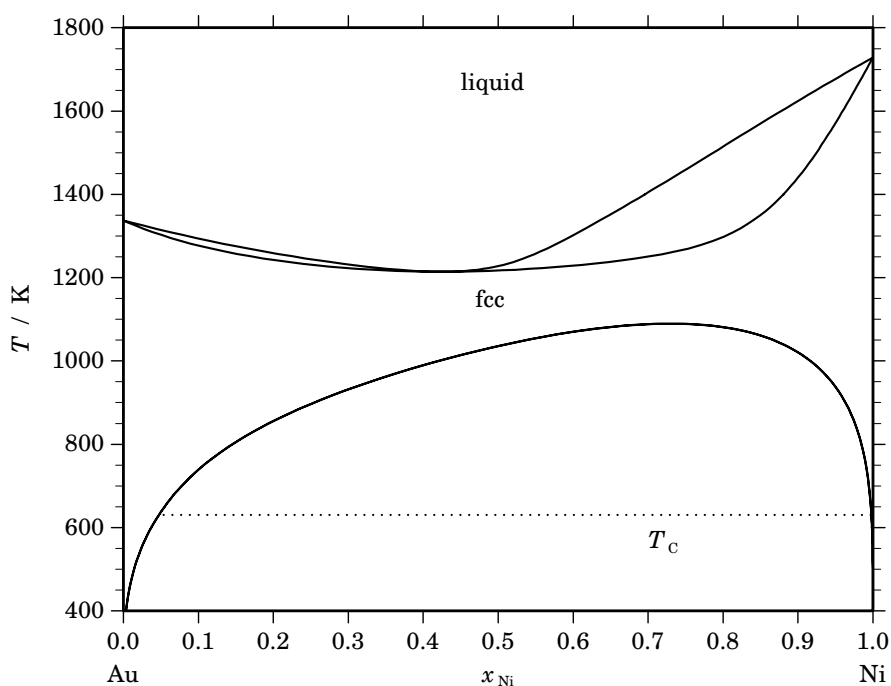


Au – Ni (Gold – Nickel)**Fig. 1.** Calculated phase diagram for the system Au-Ni.

Nickel is a common addition for improving the strength of gold alloys and these materials are frequently encountered in jewellery. A thorough review on the thermodynamics of the gold-nickel system has been given in [1991Oka] and a thermodynamic optimisation has been reported in [2005Wan]. The phase diagram consists of only two phases, the liquid and the the fcc solid solution phase which hosts a broad miscibility gap. The optimisation is based on many experimental investigations of Au-Ni alloys from the literature including phase equilibrium studies, calorimetric and EMF investigations of liquid and solid alloys, and experiments using Knudsen techniques.

Table I. Phases, structures and models.

Phase	Struktur- bericht	Prototype	Pearson symbol	Space group	SGTE name	Model
liquid					LIQUID	(Au,Ni) ₁
fcc	A1	Cu	cF4	$Fm\bar{3}m$	FCC_A1	(Au,Ni) ₁

Table II. Invariant reactions.

Reaction	Type	T / K	Compositions / x_{Ni}			$\Delta_r H / (J/mol)$
liquid \rightleftharpoons fcc	congruent	1214.3	0.424	0.424		-9990
fcc \rightleftharpoons fcc' + fcc''	critical	1089.2	0.713	0.713	0.713	0

Table IIIa. Integral quantities for the liquid phase at 1820 K.

x_{Ni}	ΔG_{m} [J/mol]	ΔH_{m} [J/mol]	ΔS_{m} [J/(mol·K)]	G_{m}^{E} [J/mol]	S_{m}^{E} [J/(mol·K)]	ΔC_P [J/(mol·K)]
0.000	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.000
0.100	–4837	971	3.192	82	0.489	0.000
0.200	–7478	1675	5.029	94	0.869	0.000
0.300	–9188	2131	6.219	56	1.140	0.000
0.400	–10198	2357	6.899	–14	1.303	0.000
0.500	–10584	2375	7.120	–95	1.357	0.000
0.600	–10353	2203	6.899	–169	1.303	0.000
0.700	–9459	1859	6.219	–216	1.140	0.000
0.800	–7788	1365	5.029	–216	0.869	0.000
0.900	–5070	739	3.192	–150	0.489	0.000
1.000	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.000

Reference states: Au(liquid), Ni(liquid)

Table IIIb. Partial quantities for Au in the liquid phase at 1820 K.

x_{Au}	ΔG_{Au} [J/mol]	ΔH_{Au} [J/mol]	ΔS_{Au} [J/(mol·K)]	G_{Au}^{E} [J/mol]	S_{Au}^{E} [J/(mol·K)]	a_{Au}	γ_{Au}
1.000	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	1.000	1.000
0.900	–1556	137	0.930	38	0.054	0.902	1.003
0.800	–3250	522	2.072	127	0.217	0.807	1.008
0.700	–5170	1116	3.454	227	0.489	0.711	1.015
0.600	–7429	1882	5.116	301	0.869	0.612	1.020
0.500	–10181	2779	7.120	308	1.357	0.510	1.021
0.400	–13654	3769	9.573	212	1.954	0.406	1.014
0.300	–18247	4813	12.671	–28	2.660	0.299	0.998
0.200	–24805	5873	16.856	–450	3.475	0.194	0.971
0.100	–35937	6911	23.542	–1093	4.397	0.093	0.930
0.000	– ∞	7886	∞	–1995	5.429	0.000	0.876

Reference state: Au(liquid)

Table IIIc. Partial quantities for Ni in the liquid phase at 1820 K.

x_{Ni}	ΔG_{Ni} [J/mol]	ΔH_{Ni} [J/mol]	ΔS_{Ni} [J/(mol·K)]	G_{Ni}^{E} [J/mol]	S_{Ni}^{E} [J/(mol·K)]	a_{Ni}	γ_{Ni}
0.000	– ∞	11114	∞	1233	5.429	0.000	1.085
0.100	–34368	8479	23.542	476	4.397	0.103	1.032
0.200	–24392	6287	16.856	–37	3.475	0.200	0.998
0.300	–18564	4497	12.671	–345	2.660	0.293	0.977
0.400	–14351	3071	9.573	–486	1.954	0.387	0.968
0.500	–10988	1972	7.120	–499	1.357	0.484	0.968
0.600	–8152	1158	5.116	–422	0.869	0.583	0.972
0.700	–5693	594	3.454	–296	0.489	0.686	0.981
0.800	–3534	238	2.072	–157	0.217	0.792	0.990
0.900	–1640	53	0.930	–46	0.054	0.897	0.997
1.000	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	1.000	1.000

Reference state: Ni(liquid)

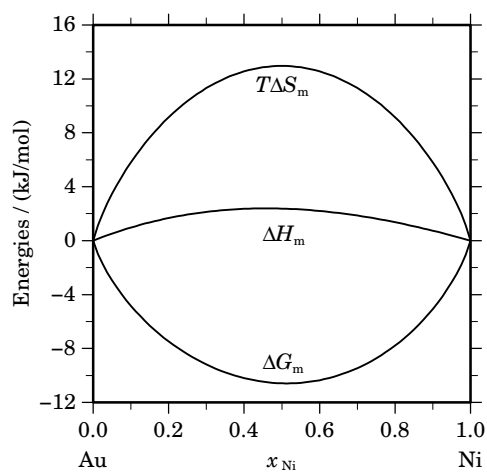


Fig. 2. Integral quantities of the liquid phase at $T=1820$ K.

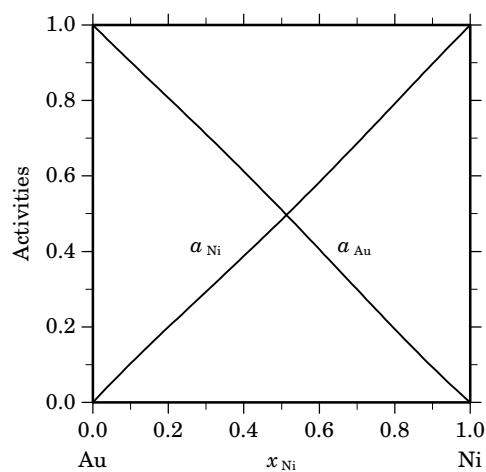


Fig. 3. Activities in the liquid phase at $T=1820$ K.

Table IVa. Integral quantities for the stable phases at 1150 K.

Phase	x_{Ni}	ΔG_{m} [J/mol]	ΔH_{m} [J/mol]	ΔS_{m} [J/(mol·K)]	G_{m}^{E} [J/mol]	S_{m}^{E} [J/(mol·K)]	ΔC_P [J/(mol·K)]
fcc	0.000	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.000
	0.100	-1825	1944	3.277	1283	0.575	-0.015
	0.200	-2492	3694	5.380	2292	1.219	-0.030
	0.300	-2775	5204	6.939	3066	1.860	-0.045
	0.400	-2818	6403	8.018	3617	2.422	-0.060
	0.500	-2691	7196	8.597	3937	2.833	-0.075
	0.600	-2445	7462	8.615	3990	3.019	-0.089
	0.700	-2122	7059	7.984	3719	2.905	-0.100
	0.800	-1745	5817	6.576	3039	2.415	-0.103
	0.900	-1264	3539	4.177	1844	1.474	-0.081
	1.000	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0.000

Reference states: Au(fcc), Ni(fcc)

Table IVb. Partial quantities for Au in the stable phases at 1150 K.

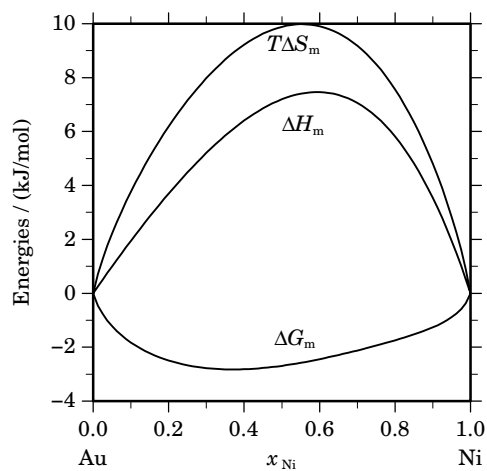
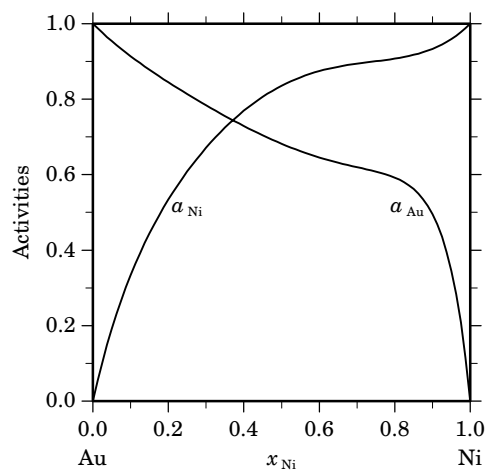
Phase	x_{Au}	ΔG_{Au} [J/mol]	ΔH_{Au} [J/mol]	ΔS_{Au} [J/(mol·K)]	G_{Au}^{E} [J/mol]	S_{Au}^{E} [J/(mol·K)]	a_{Au}	γ_{Au}
fcc	1.000	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	1.000	1.000
	0.900	-862	91	0.829	145	-0.047	0.914	1.015
	0.800	-1615	414	1.765	519	-0.091	0.845	1.056
	0.700	-2331	1100	2.983	1079	0.018	0.784	1.119
	0.600	-3024	2349	4.673	1860	0.425	0.729	1.215
	0.500	-3662	4438	7.044	2966	1.280	0.682	1.364
	0.400	-4187	7715	10.350	4574	2.731	0.645	1.613
	0.300	-4576	12605	14.940	6936	4.929	0.620	2.066
	0.200	-5011	19616	21.415	10378	8.033	0.592	2.961
	0.100	-6715	29351	31.361	15302	12.216	0.495	4.955
	0.000	$-\infty$	42539	∞	22194	17.692	0.000	10.187

Reference state: Au(fcc)

Table IVc. Partial quantities for Ni in the stable phases at 1150 K.

Phase	x_{Ni}	ΔG_{Ni} [J/mol]	ΔH_{Ni} [J/mol]	ΔS_{Ni} [J/(mol·K)]	G_{Ni}^{E} [J/mol]	S_{Ni}^{E} [J/(mol·K)]	a_{Ni}	γ_{Ni}
fcc	0.000	$-\infty$	20313	∞	14391	5.150	0.000	4.504
	0.100	−10493	18621	25.316	11524	6.171	0.334	3.337
	0.200	−6001	16814	19.839	9388	6.458	0.534	2.669
	0.300	−3811	14782	16.168	7701	6.157	0.671	2.238
	0.400	−2508	12484	13.036	6253	5.418	0.769	1.923
	0.500	−1719	9953	10.150	4908	4.387	0.835	1.671
	0.600	−1283	7293	7.458	3601	3.211	0.874	1.457
	0.700	−1071	4682	5.002	2340	2.037	0.894	1.277
	0.800	−929	2367	2.866	1205	1.011	0.907	1.134
	0.900	−659	671	1.156	349	0.280	0.933	1.037
	1.000	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	1.000	1.000

Reference state: Ni(fcc)

**Fig. 4.** Integral quantities of the stable phases at $T=1150$ K.**Fig. 5.** Activities in the stable phases at $T=1150$ K.

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