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## CE 60 – EXAMINATION Please justify all your answers

## **Question 1** (26 points)

I) Identify the following crystal structures: (16 points)



Question 2 (29 points)

I) Consider the engineering stress-engineering strain diagram for an aluminum alloy. (20 points)



a) The specimen was loaded to 320 MPa and then unloaded to 250 MPa. How much elastic strain is recovered? (10 points)

Recovery using approximate E: εrecovery=(320 MPa-250 MPa)/60,000 MPa = 0.0011

b) In another experiment, the specimen was loaded to 330 MPa and then fully unloaded. Estimate the yield point, once the specimen is loaded again. (5 points)

## **330 MPa**

c) The stress-strain diagram shows that the alloy reached a maximum stress and then it starts to decrease. Please explain the reason. (5 points)

Beyond ultimate (maximum) stress, necking occurs, and the specimen decreases cross sectional area drastically. This effectively causes the sample to unload and the engineering stress, which is defined by the original unloaded cross-sectional area, decreases. True stress, however, continues to increase until fracture.

II) Martensite in pure iron is cubic but in steel is tetragonal. Explain the reason. (5 points)

Steel, unlike pure iron, contains carbon. These carbon atoms are unable to diffuse out of austenite during quenching, effectively elongating the unit cell.

III) Explain the concept of critical radius in homogeneous nucleation (4 points)

Critical radius, r\*, is the radius of particle cluster that is suspended in its liquid phase where the sum of its surface free-energy change (retarding energy) and volume free-energy change (driving energy) is at maximum. If the cluster radius is less than the critical radius, nucleation will not occur. If the cluster radius is greater than the critical radius, nucleation will occur. Question 3: (45 points)

Consider the steel phase diagram shown below:

I) For eutectoid steel, what is the composition of austenite at 900 °C? (5 points)

Exactly eutectoid composition (0.8% C, 99.2% Fe)

II) A hypoeutectoid steel just below the eutectoid temperature contains 4.2% cementite. Compute: a) the amount of pearlite, b) the amount of proeutectoid ferrite, c) the amount of proeutectoid cementite (15 points)

Alloy composition calculation. Using lever rule at 723°C- $\Delta$ T:

wt% cementite = 0.042as givenwt% cementite = (x-0.02)/(6.67-0.02)lever rule

solving for x,

x = 0.3 wt% C (99.7 wt% Fe)

b) (wt% proeutectoid ferrite at 723°C- $\Delta$ T) = (wt% proeutectoid ferrite at 723°C+ $\Delta$ T)

(wt% proeutectoid ferrite at  $723^{\circ}C+\Delta T$ ) = (0.8-0.3)/(0.8-0.02) =**0.641 (64%)** 

a) (wt% pearlite at 723°C- $\Delta$ T) = (wt% of liquid above eutectoid pt) (wt% of liquid above eutectoid pt) = (0.3-0.02)/(0.8-0.02) = **0.359 (36%)** 

alternatively,

(wt% pearlite at 723°C- $\Delta$ T) = (wt% of all phases present except proeutectoid phases) as a hypoeutectoid steel, the only proeutectoid phase present is proeutectoid ferrite which was computed already. (wt% pearlite at 723°C- $\Delta$ T)=1-0.641 = **0.359 (36%)** 

## c) 0%; hypoeutectoid steel does not produce proeutectoid cementite

III) At 800 °C, a steel contains 40% of proeutectoid ferrite. Is the steel hypo or hypereutectoid? (5 points). Hypoeutectoid. Compute the composition and the weight percentage of austenite at 750 °C (10 points) composition calculation (approximate):

wt% proeutectoid ferrite at  $800^{\circ}C = (0.44 - x)/(0.44 - 0.01) = 0.4$ ; x= 0.268% C

composition austenite at 750°C (approximate): 0.62% C, 99.38% Fe

wt % austenite at 750°C : (0.268-0.016)/(0.62-0.016)= 0.417 (41.7%)

IV) Why is pearlite not shown in the phase diagram? (5 points)

Pearlite itself is not a phase – rather, it is a composite of thin stripes two phases (eutectoid ferrite and eutectoid cementite) stacked on top of each other.

V) Why is martensite not shown in the phase diagram? (5 points)

Phase diagram assumes a slow rate of cooling. Martensite can only be produced when rate of cooling is fast.

