Advanced Thermodynamics

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Precipitation - Quasicrystals

Questions:

- 1. How does one measure the driving force for precipitation and the driving force for nucleation?
- 2. What limits the maximum temperature used for solutionising during precipitation hardening treatment?
- 3. What would be the difference in the kinetics of solid state phase transformation and liquid-solid phase transformation?
- 4. Show that a five-fold rotational symmetry is not compatible with translational symmetry.
- 5. What was the definition of a crystal (as defined by the International Union of Crystallography) before the quasicrystal was discovered and what is it now?