



Update on the Molten Salt Thermal Properties Database-Thermochemical

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Evolution of MSTDB-TC

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	

MSTDB-TC v.1

Fluorides:

- 48 pseudobinaries
- 28 pseudoternaries Chlorides
- 12 pseudobinaries
- 1 pseudoternary

Important systems:

- UF₃-UF₄
- LiF-BeF₂-UF₄
- LiF-NaF-KF
- NaCl-UCl₃

Total = 89 systems

MSTDB-TC v.1.2

Fluorides:

- 50 pseudobinaries
- 28 pseudoternaries
- 3 high-order Chlorides
- 43 pseudobinaries
- 6 pseudoternary
- 2 high-order

Total = 132 systems

MSTDB-TC v.1.3

Fluorides:

- 49 pseudobinaries
- 24 pseudoternaries
 Chlorides
- 45 pseudobinaries
- 11 pseudoternaries

MSTDB-TC v.2.0

Fluorides:

- 53 pseudobinaries
- 25 pseudoternaries
- 2 high-order Chlorides
- 60 pseudobinaries
- · 22 pseudoternary
- 3 high-order lodides
- 8 pseudobinaries

Major improvements:

- BeF₂ multiple CN
- UF₄ multiple CN
- UCl₃ multiple CN
- Reciprocal systems

Total = 173 systems

MSTDB-TC v.3.0

Fluorides:

- 68 pseudobinaries
- · 18 pseudoternaries
- 2 high-order Chlorides
- 69 pseudobinaries
- 25 pseudoternary
- 3 high-order lodides
- 31 pseudobinaries
- · 23 pseudoternaries
- 20 high-order

Major improvements:

- Excess C_p
- ZrF₄ systems
- · Gas phase
- · Corrosion & fission

MSTDB-TC v.3.1 – final touches

Major improvements:

- Noble metal alloys
- Noble gases
- Additional FP
- LiF-NaF-UF₄ fuel
- NaF-KF-UF₄ fuel
- New NaCl-CsCl

MSTDB-TC v.4 – planned

Major improvements:

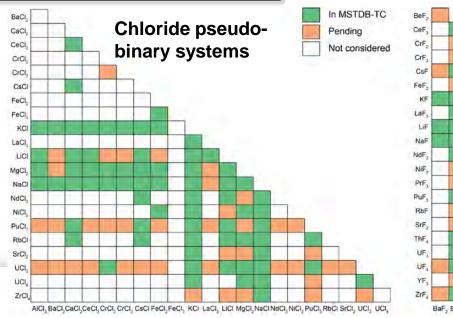
- ZrCl₄ systems
- More RE systems
- Initial oxygen
- Revise FLiBe-CsF,I

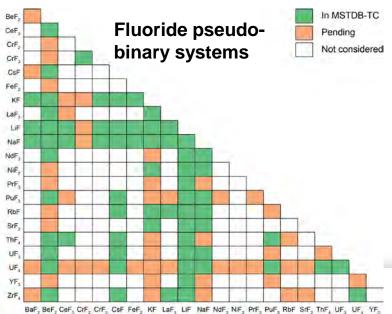
MSTDB-TC Content Now of Sufficient Magnitude to Allow Representing Realistic MSR Systems

	Fluorides	Chlorides	Iodides
Alkali metals	LiF, NaF, KF, RbF, CsF	LiCl, NaCl, KCl, RbCl, CsCl	Lil, Nal, Kl, Csl
Alkaline earth metal	BeF ₂ , CaF ₂ , SrF ₂ , BaF ₂	MgCl ₂ , CaCl ₂	Bel ₂ , Mgl ₂
Transition metals	NiF ₂ , CrF ₃	CrCl ₂ , CrCl ₃ , FeCl ₂ , FeCl ₃ , NiCl ₂	-
Other cations	YF ₃ , ZrF ₄	AICI ₃	-
Lanthanides	LaF ₃ , CeF ₃ , NdF ₃ , PrF ₃	CeCl ₃ , LaCl ₃	
Actinides	ThF ₄ ,UF ₃ , UF ₄	UCl ₃ , UCl ₄ , PuCl ₃	UI ₃ , UI ₄
Pseudo-binary	70 systems	70 systems	30 systems
Pseudo-ternary	30 systems	27 systems	15 systems
Higher order	16 systems	2 systems	All 18 include iodides

Higher Order Systems

- LiF-LiI-CsI LiF-NaF-NaI LiF-KF-CsI
- LiF-Lil-Nal
 Nal-NaF-KF
 NaF-KF-Csl
- LiF-LiI-KI
 KF-KI-NaF
 LiF-KF-CsF-CsI
- LiF-CsF-CsI NaF-NaI-KF CsI-LiF-NaF-KF
- LiF-KF-KI
 LiF-NaF-CsI
 MgCl₂-NaCl-UCl_{3.4}
- LiF-NaF-NaI LiF-KF-CsI MgCl₂-KCl-UCl_{3.4}



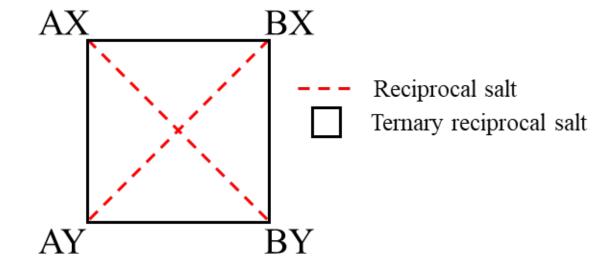


MSTDB-TC Ver. 3.1 Content

Expanded/revised content

- Large increase in reciprocal chloride and fluoride salts with iodine
- Added LiF-NaF-UF₄ and KF-NaF-UF₄ systems
- Revised LiF-NaF-(LaF3, CeF₃, PuF₃) pseudoternary systems
- Incorporation of Mo, Ru, Rh, Tc, and Pd alloy and intermetallics based on Kaye et al.*
- Inclusion of He, Ne, Ar, Kr, and Xe, although absent any models for solubility in salts

Reciprocal system of the hypothetical A-B|X-Y species

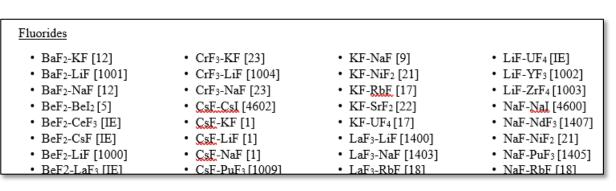


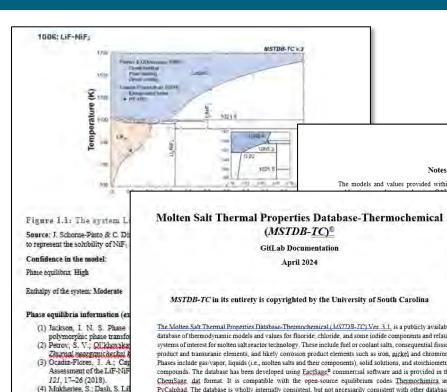


^{*}Thermodynamic Treatment of Noble Metal Fission Products in Nuclear Fuel." Kaye, M.H., B.J. Lewis, and W.T. Thompson, *J. Nucl. Mater.* 366, 1–2 (2007): 8–27

MSTDB-TC Ver. 3.1 Documentation

- Expanded list of references
- Addition internal reports to available references
- Individual 1-2 page descriptions and source information for MSTDB-TC systems not yet in publications
- Expanded "Notes" with key information on usage of MSTDB-TC



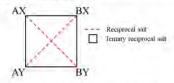


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The Molten Salt Thermal Properties Database-Thermochemical (MSTDB-TC) Ver. 3.1. is a publicly available database of thermodynamic models and values for fluoride, chloride, and some judide components and related systems of interest for molten salt reactor technology. These include fuel or coolant salts, consequential fission product and transuranic elements, and likely corrosion product elements such as iron, nickel and chromium. Phases include gas/vapor, liquids (i.e., molten salts and their components), solid solutions, and stoichiometric compounds. The database has been developed using EactSage® commercial software and is provided in the ChemSage dat format. It is compatible with the open-source equilibrium codes Thermochimica and PyCalphad. The database is wholly internally consistent, but not necessarily consistent with other databases and caution should be exercised when using it with other sources. In addition, Ver. 3.1 should not be used in combination with earlier MSTDB-TC versions as some systems have been reassessed for Ver. 3.1 to maintain consistency or improve the optimized models

Version 3.1 is the first that includes multiple models of reciprocal salt systems, i.e., that in addition to multiple cations some systems have more than one anion. To explain the nomenclature, reciprocal systems are represented graphically as seen in the figure below. The square represents all four species of a system with two cations and two anions, and is referred to as a reciprocal salts, with the pairs connected by the diagonals are ternary reciprocal systems that can exchange anions and cations. Additional information regarding reciprocal salts can be found in Blander et al.[1]



Reciprocal system of the hypothetical A-B|X-Y species

The models and values provided within MSTDB-TC were either directly used as reported in pe system optimizations based on literature and new experimental measurements. A system experimental and theoretical data are available and interaction parameters for each phase and sessed when models and values appropriately rams) and attendant values such as enthalpy of

Notes on Use of MSTDB-TC

base components (i.e., endmembers) in system om an equilibrium calculation for a mixture may nt terms may not have been utilized in the system values for higher order systems caution should eir accuracy available from the accompanying city values for melt solutions are best obtained e-Thermophysical (MSTDB-TP).

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ntains solution models that incorporate many ions to be performed in codes such as FactSage the database. That means that calculations can r eight or more cations in the melt even though cations that have been optimized (see the list TC documentation). Thus, the results of such ot be claimed as having been performed using caution in claiming the validity of results for l, in reality, these should be relatively accurate ction parameters in salt melt models beyond the al reality which makes unlikely simultaneous s in the melt)

nly a constrained composition region as either at region, or it was not possible to reasonably fit sing the current modeling frameworks or single e case, efforts were made to best represent alue for molten salt reactor applications. That oduction of low concentration regions for fission oid computing equilibria for compositions which the table below that identifies issues with some



Questions

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