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24 Abstract

25 We propose a kinetic model for the nucleation rate of columnar and platy
26 minerals in nonhydrostatically stressed metamorphic rocks. Nucleation rate I in our
27 model is expressed as

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$$29 \quad I(T, \sigma_n) = A \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta U^* - T\Delta S^* + \sigma_n \Delta V^*}{k_B T}\right),$$

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31 Where ΔU^* , ΔS^* and ΔV^* are the internal energy, entropy and volume of activation,
32 respectively, k_B is the Boltzmann constant, T is absolute temperature, σ_n is the
33 magnitude of the normal stress applied to the site of heterogeneous nucleation, and
34 A is a constant. As σ_n varies with respect to the spatial orientation of the nucleation
35 site in nonhydrostatically stressed rocks, the nucleation rate I also varies
36 accordingly. As the number of nucleated grains is proportional to I , anisotropic
37 nucleation can produce a preferred orientation of mineral grains. The model predicts
38 the von Mises distributions of the long axes of columnar mineral grains and poles to
39 the basal planes of platy mineral grains on any plane cut perpendicular to the
40 principal-stress axes. The model also uses the exponential form of the Lamé's stress
41 ellipsoid to plot contoured equal-area stereographic fabric diagrams. As the
42 generated patterns are similar to those observed in metamorphic rocks, the model is
43 likely useful for analyses of natural deformation.

44 1. Introduction

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46 Crystal nucleation is a key process during the evolution of the Earth
47 because 'the solid Earth consists of very approximately 10^{30} crystals, most of which
48 were created by processes of nucleation and growth' (Kretz, 1994, p. 300). In this
49 study we consider the nucleation of several metamorphic minerals and the origin of
50 preferred orientations formed under a nonhydrostatic stress state.

51 Thermodynamics allows the prediction of which minerals will be stable
52 under given temperature and pressure conditions (e.g., Spear, 1993; Vernon and
53 Clarke, 2008). Previous studies have attempted to formulate nonhydrostatic
54 thermodynamic equations and use them to predict the preferred orientation of
55 minerals under nonhydrostatic stress states (e.g., Kamb, 1959; Kumazawa, 1963;
56 Paterson, 1973). However, these studies are unsatisfactory to predict the wide range
57 of preferred orientation patterns of natural mineral grains. Although the occurrence of
58 metamorphic minerals is controlled mainly by thermodynamics, several other factors
59 have been recognised. For example, diamond exists in a stable state at ambient
60 temperatures and pressures, despite being thermodynamically unstable. This is due
61 to a sluggish transformation rate from diamond to graphite due to a high activation
62 energy (e.g., Putnis and McConnell, 1980). This example shows that kinetics, in
63 addition to thermodynamics, plays a significant role during metamorphic mineral
64 transformations (Fig. 1a).

65 'insert Fig. 1'

66 We focus on the kinetics of nucleation and propose a model for anisotropic
67 nucleation rates in nonhydrostatically stressed rocks. The kinetic model may be a
68 powerful tool to predict the preferred orientation of platy minerals (e.g., illite, chlorite,
69 muscovite and biotite) in metamorphic rocks. Similarly, the model can also predict the
70 preferred orientation of columnar minerals, such as tourmaline, amphibole and
71 epidote. The model considers only isolated mineral grains and the nucleation process
72 involves both chemical reactions and the diffusion of atoms. Thus, the nucleation of

73 quartz, calcite and olivine in quartzose, calcareous and peridotitic tectonites,
74 respectively, is not considered in this study because nucleation of these minerals
75 does not always involve significant diffusional transport.

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77 **2. Kinetic model for nucleation**

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79 *2.1. Nucleation under hydrostatic pressure*

80 We briefly review nucleation processes associated with the growth of new
81 mineral grains under hydrostatic pressure before considering nonhydrostatic stress
82 states.

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84 *2.1.1. Nucleation*

85 The process of nucleation is the transformation of an embryo to a mineral
86 nucleus. A mineral embryo is an unstable phase that possesses the same physical
87 properties as the mineral itself. We consider heterogeneous nucleation (e.g., Rast,
88 1965; Spry, 1969; Shelley, 1983; Yardley, 1989; Kerrick et al., 1991; Kretz, 1994;
89 Lasaga, 1998) in our model because we focus on the nucleation of mineral species
90 that differ from surrounding, pre-existing minerals. Embryos can statistically appear
91 on any surface of pre-existing mineral grains (Fig. 1b); however, most embryos break
92 down soon after formation. Only a few successful embryos can form nuclei,
93 eventually becoming grains with measurable size through subsequent growth. The
94 details of the nucleation process remain unclear due to two challenges: the extremely
95 small size of embryos (e.g., 'a number of atoms' (Kretz, 1994, p. 300), 'around 100
96 atoms' (Smoluchouski, 1951, p. 166), or 'typically 10 to 1000 atoms' (Lasaga, 1998,
97 p. 497)) and their extraordinarily short lifespan (e.g., 'only a fraction of a second'
98 (Kretz, 1994, p. 300)). These issues prevent experimental observations of the
99 formation and breakup of embryos and the transition from embryos to nuclei.

100 To accurately discuss the nucleation of minerals, the terms 'embryo',
101 'nucleus' and 'grain' must be well defined. The definition of an embryo is clear and

102 based on energetic considerations (e.g., Kretz, 1994); however, the distinction
103 between a nucleus and a grain is ambiguous. Thus, we define these three terms with
104 respect to their size and associated Gibbs free energy (Fig. 1c). The construction of
105 the curve in Fig. 1c is explained in the online Supplementary material Appendix 1.

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107 *2.1.2. Transition from an embryo to a nucleus*

108 We focus on the heterogeneous nucleation of a mineral on a substrate grain
109 (Fig. 1b) and assume epitaxial nucleation (e.g., Spry, 1969; Vernon, 1976; Kretz,
110 1994). During nucleation, the nucleating mineral selects a particular substrate
111 mineral and typically grows on a substrate grain with a particular orientation, which
112 minimises the interface energy between them. This process is dependent on the
113 crystallographic orientation of both minerals (e.g., Spry, 1969). Unfortunately, there
114 are no data on the crystallographic orientations of mineral pairs in the case of epitaxy
115 nucleation.

116 The compositions of metamorphic minerals are typically complex and
117 therefore their nucleation involves complicated processes. For example, muscovite
118 ($K_2Al_2[Si_6Al_2O_{20}](OH, F)_4$) and tourmaline
119 ($Na(Mg, Fe, Mn, Li, Al)_3Al_6[Si_6O_{18}](BO_3)_3(OH, F)_4$) (Deer et al., 1966) are each
120 composed of more than six elements. Furthermore, reactions involving phyllosilicates
121 (platy minerals) are also complex (Knipe, 1981). Thus, we aimed to develop a
122 simplified model to help with understanding natural nucleation processes. In our
123 model we do not consider stress perturbations resulting from volume changes during
124 the formation of new mineral grains or the force of crystallisation (e.g., Hobbs and
125 Ord, 2015). We assume that the rock contains numerous and variably oriented
126 substrate mineral grains prior to embryo formation. It is implicit that the surfaces of
127 substrate mineral grains are flat and their surface areas are much larger than those
128 of embryos.

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130 *2.1.3. Nucleation rate*

131 Nucleation rate I is defined as the number of newly produced nuclei per
132 unit volume per unit time (e.g., Hollomon and Turnbull, 1953) and is typically
133 expressed as a function of absolute temperature T and hydrostatic pressure P as
134 follows:

$$135 \quad I(T, P) = A \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G^*}{k_B T}\right), \quad (1)$$

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138 Where ΔG^* is the Gibbs free energy of activation (Fig. 1c), k_B is the Boltzmann
139 constant and A is a constant (e.g., Hollomon and Turnbull, 1953; Lasaga, 1998).
140 Although P does not appear in the equation, its influence on ΔG^* is given as
141 follows:

$$142 \quad \Delta G^* = \Delta U^* - T\Delta S^* + P\Delta V^*, \quad (2)$$

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145 Where ΔU^* , ΔS^* and ΔV^* are the internal energy, entropy and volume of activation,
146 respectively (e.g., Miyashiro, 1960). ΔS^* and ΔV^* are assumed to be constant
147 under pressure–temperature conditions typical of crustal metamorphism. The validity
148 of this assumption is supported by the description of ΔV^* during diffusion by Lasaga
149 (1998). The Gibbs free energy of activation ΔG^* in Eq. (2) is a scalar property,
150 because T and P are scalar variables. Thus, ΔG^* in the present form is not
151 applicable to nucleation analysis of minerals in nonhydrostatically stressed rocks. We
152 will therefore modify this equation.

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154 *2.2. A model of nucleation under nonhydrostatic stress*

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156 *2.2.1. The σ_n model*

157 In our model, we replace pressure P in Eq. (2) by a normal stress term $\vec{\sigma}_n$,
158 which is applied to the nucleation site on the substrate grain. Justification for this
159 formulation is explained in the Discussion section. Normal stress ($\vec{\sigma}_n$) is a vector

160 property related to the stress field and the orientation of the nucleation site, whereas
161 the general stress field σ_{ij} is a tensor (e.g., Nadai, 1950; Timoshenko and Goodier,
162 1951; Jaeger et al., 2007). A pressure term (P) is included in our nonhydrostatic
163 stress model, following a definition of $P = (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)/3$.

164 The Gibbs free energy of activation is represented by

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$$166 \Delta G^* = \Delta U^* - T\Delta S^* + \sigma_n \Delta V^*, \quad (3)$$

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168 Where σ_n is the magnitude of $\vec{\sigma}_n$. The nucleation rate expression in Eq. (1) is
169 consequently replaced by

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$$171 I(T, \sigma_n) = A \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta U^* - T\Delta S^* + \sigma_n \Delta V^*}{k_B T}\right). \quad (4)$$

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173 As the value of σ_n is dependent on the orientations in nonhydrostatically stressed
174 solids, the nucleation rate is also sensitive to variations in orientation.

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176 2.2.2. Stress in a Cartesian coordinate system

177 We use principal stresses, σ_1 , σ_2 and σ_3 ($\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$), compression =
178 positive) and a Cartesian coordinate system (x_1, x_2, x_3), with the coordinate axes
179 (x_1, x_2, x_3) aligned parallel to the principal stress axes (σ_1, σ_2 and σ_3) (Fig. 1d),
180 enabling simple calculations (e.g., Jaeger et al., 2007). In our analysis, we use
181 direction cosines to describe the orientation of substrate grain surfaces. The
182 orientation of a surface is provided by the direction cosines of the normal vector of
183 the plane. Figure 2a shows the angles between the normal vector and the principal
184 stress directions ϕ_1, ϕ_2 and ϕ_3 , and the direction cosines l, m and n .

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‘insert Fig. 2’

186 The magnitude of the normal stress σ_n acting on a plane (e.g., Nadai,
187 1950; Jaeger et al., 2007) is given by

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189 $\sigma_n = \sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2,$ (5)

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191 with l , m and n satisfying the following equation:

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193 $l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1.$ (6)

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195 Therefore, σ_n changes with varying direction cosine values (l , m and n), reaching
196 its maximum ($\sigma_n = \sigma_1$) and minimum ($\sigma_n = \sigma_3$) values at (1, 0, 0) and (0, 0, 1),
197 respectively.

198 To simplify the analysis, we use two stress parameters $\Delta\sigma$ and ψ , defined
199 as

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201 $\Delta\sigma = \sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ (7)

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203 and

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205 $\psi = \frac{\sigma_2 - \sigma_3}{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}.$ (8)

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207 Equation (8) can be rewritten as

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209 $\sigma_2 = \psi(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) + \sigma_3.$ (9)

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211 2.2.3. Formulation of nucleation rate

212 We consider an embryo located on a flat surface of a substrate grain. As we
213 assume epitaxial nucleation, one of the crystallographic orientation axes of embryos
214 is dependent on the spatial orientation of the substrate grain, which is defined by the
215 direction cosines (l, m, n) of the normal vector to the flat surface (Fig. 2). The
216 remaining two crystallographic orientations are not considered in our model. ΔG^* of
217 Eq. (3) can be rewritten in terms of direction cosines as follows:

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$$219 \quad \Delta G^* = \Delta U^* - T\Delta S^* + (\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2)\Delta V^*. \quad (10)$$

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221 By using the above ΔG^* , we obtain the following expression for nucleation rate:

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$$223 \quad I(T, \sigma_n) = A \exp \left[-\frac{\Delta U^* - T\Delta S^* + (\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2)\Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right]. \quad (11)$$

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225 Thus, for a rock in a certain stress field at a given temperature, the nucleation rate is
226 expressed as

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$$228 \quad I(l, m, n) = A \exp \left(-\frac{\Delta U^*}{k_B T} \right) \exp \left(\frac{\Delta S^*}{k_B} \right) \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2)\Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right]. \quad (12)$$

229

230 As $\exp \left(-\frac{\Delta U^*}{k_B T} \right)$ and $\exp \left(\frac{\Delta S^*}{k_B} \right)$ are scalar properties independent of σ_n , they do not
231 contribute to the anisotropy of the nucleation rate. Thus, Eq. (12) can be simplified to

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$$233 \quad I(l, m, n) = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2)\Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right], \quad (13)$$

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235 where

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$$237 \quad A_0 = A \exp \left(-\frac{\Delta U^*}{k_B T} \right) \exp \left(\frac{\Delta S^*}{k_B} \right). \quad (14)$$

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239 Equation (13) implicitly produces nucleation rates that are symmetrical with respect
240 to the three axes of principal stress because, for example, m and $-m$ produce the
241 same values for $I(l, m, n)$. Equation (13) is an exponential form of Lamé's stress
242 ellipsoid (e.g., Ranalli, 1995; Jaeger et al., 2007).

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244 **3. Prediction of preferred orientations governed by nucleation**

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246 As nucleation rate is defined as the number of newly produced nuclei per

247 unit volume per unit time, the formation of preferred orientations in rocks is controlled
248 by the orientation-dependency of the nucleation rate. Therefore, orientations
249 associated with higher nucleation rates will result in a larger number of grains. As the
250 nucleation rate is symmetrical with respect to the coordinate axes, our model obeys
251 the symmetry rule (e.g., Curie, 1894; Paterson and Weiss, 1961). Various
252 approaches have been employed to describe the preferred orientation of platy and
253 columnar minerals (see below). Using our approach, the preferred orientation
254 patterns for both columnar and platy minerals can be predicted from a single
255 nucleation rate equation (Eq. (13)) without the need for assumptions.

256 The orientation of columnar mineral grains is typically represented by the
257 orientation of grain long axes (e.g., (001) for amphibole), which commonly parallel
258 the σ_3 axis (e.g., Passchier and Trouw, 2005). Thus, for columnar minerals, ΔV^* in
259 Eq. (13) is > 0 . Therefore, ΔV^* is hereafter represented by ΔV^+ . The orientation of
260 platy minerals (phyllosilicates) is typically represented by poles to the basal surfaces
261 of grains (referred to crystallographically as (001); e.g., Turner and Weiss, 1963).
262 Empirical observations indicate that the basal planes of platy mineral grains are
263 typically oriented perpendicular to the σ_1 axis (e.g., Siddans, 1972; Etheridge et al.,
264 1974; Tullis, 1976; Oertel, 1985). From Eq. (13), we conclude that $\Delta V^* < 0$ for platy
265 minerals; thus, hereafter we use the symbol ΔV^- . A negative activation volume is not
266 unrealistic, because, for example, the activation volume of diffusion may be negative
267 (e.g., Lasaga, 1998). ΔV^* is reserved as a general term for activation volume,
268 including both ΔV^- and ΔV^+ . Note that the signs of the activation volume for these
269 minerals are not deduced from theoretical investigations, but from previous
270 observations of naturally and experimentally deformed rocks.

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272 3.1. Hydrostatic stress ($\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3$)

273 Substituting $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = P$ into Eq.(13) we obtain

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$$275 \quad I(l, m, n) = A_0 \exp\left(-\frac{P\Delta V^*}{k_B T}\right). \quad (15)$$

276

277 Therefore, Eq. (13), which was formulated for nonhydrostatic stress states, is also
278 applicable to hydrostatic stress states and predicts a random crystallographic
279 orientation of newly formed mineral grains.

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281 3.2. Uniaxial compression ($\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 = \sigma_3$)

282 We now consider the uniaxial compression stress state. By substituting the
283 relation $\sigma_2 = \sigma_3$ into Eq. (13), we have

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$$285 \quad I(l, m, n) = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_3 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right]. \quad (16)$$

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287 Substituting $u^2 = m^2 + n^2$, this equation becomes

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$$289 \quad I(l, m, n) = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_3 u^2) \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right]. \quad (17)$$

290

291 As $l = \cos \phi_1$ (Fig. 2), u can be expressed as $u = \sin \phi_1$ because $l^2 + u^2 = 1$.

292 Given the following:

293

$$294 \quad \sigma_1 \cos^2 \phi_1 + \sigma_3 \sin^2 \phi_1 = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) + \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) \cos 2\phi_1, \quad (18)$$

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296 we can derive a new expression for the nucleation rate:

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$$\begin{aligned} 298 \quad I(\phi_1) &= A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 \cos^2 \phi_1 + \sigma_3 \sin^2 \phi_1) \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right] \\ 299 \quad &= A_0 \exp \left\{ -\frac{\left[\frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) + \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) \cos 2\phi_1 \right] \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right\} \\ 300 \quad &= A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right] \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) \cos 2\phi_1 \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right]. \quad (19) \end{aligned}$$

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302 Substituting $A_{13} = A_0 \exp[-(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)\Delta V^*/2k_B T]$ and $\Delta\sigma = \sigma_1 - \sigma_3$, we ultimately
303 derive the following equation:

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$$305 \quad I(\phi_1) = A_{13} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta\sigma\Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \cos 2\phi_1\right). \quad (20)$$

306

307 This equation represents the von Mises distribution with respect to ϕ_1 , if the pre-
308 cosine term is positive (Appendix 2 in the online Supplementary material). We define
309 κ_n^+ and κ_n^- as follows:

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$$311 \quad \kappa_n^+ = \frac{\Delta\sigma\Delta V^+}{2k_B T} \quad (>0 \text{ for columnar minerals}) \quad (21a)$$

$$312 \quad \kappa_n^- = \frac{\Delta\sigma\Delta V^-}{2k_B T}. \quad (<0 \text{ for platy minerals}) \quad (21b)$$

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314 Thus, we designate

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$$316 \quad I(\phi_1) = A_{13} \exp\left[\kappa_n^+ \cos 2\left(\phi_1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right] \quad (\text{columnar minerals}) \quad (22a)$$

$$317 \quad I(\phi_1) = A_{13} \exp(-\kappa_n^- \cos 2\phi_1). \quad (\text{platy minerals}) \quad (22b)$$

318

319 The term $\pi/2$ is added to ϕ_1 in Eq. (22a) to produce a positive pre-cosine term in
320 the exponential component. Figure 3 illustrates the von Mises distributions for
321 columnar and platy minerals. The shape of the von Mises distribution depends on the
322 magnitudes of κ_n^+ and $-\kappa_n^-$, and thus on the magnitude of $\Delta\sigma$. An increase in $\Delta\sigma$
323 produces a greater difference in nucleation rate with respect to ϕ_1 .

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326 3.3. Uniaxial extension ($\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$)

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328 Under a uniaxial extension stress state, the nucleation rate is symmetrical
329 with respect to the σ_3 axis. Using the relation $\sigma_2 = \sigma_1$ in Eq. (13), we have

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330 $I(l, m, n) = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_1 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right]. \quad (23)$

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332 This equation becomes

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334 $I(l, m, n) = A_0 \exp \left\{ -\frac{[\sigma_1(l^2 + m^2) + \sigma_3 n^2] \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right\}, \quad (24)$

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336 which is similar to that for the case of uniaxial compression. We can derive the
337 following simple equation in a similar manner by noting that $\cos \phi_3 = n$ (Fig. 2a) and

338 $\sin \phi_3 = \sqrt{l^2 + m^2}:$

339

340 $I(\phi_3) = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right] \exp \left[-\frac{\Delta \sigma \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \cos 2\phi_3 \right]. \quad (25)$

341

342 Using $A_{13} = A_0 \exp[-(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) \Delta V^* / 2k_B T]$ and the κ_n^+ and κ_n^- terms in Eq. (21), this
343 equation is simplified to

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345 $I(\phi_3) = A_{13} \exp(\kappa_n^+ \cos 2\phi_3) \quad (\text{columnar minerals}) \quad (26a)$

346 $I(\phi_3) = A_{13} \exp \left[-\kappa_n^- \cos 2 \left(\phi_3 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right]. \quad (\text{platy minerals}) \quad (26b)$

347

348 These equations represent von Mises distributions with respect to ϕ_3 (Appendix 2 in
349 the online Supplementary material).

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351 **3.4 General triaxial stress ($\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$)**

352 To simplify our analysis, we focus on the value of σ_2 . When σ_2 approaches

353 σ_3 or σ_1 , nucleation rate distributions approach those of uniaxial compression or

354 extension, respectively. Thus, the characteristics of nucleation under triaxial stress

355 are influenced by the magnitude of σ_2 relative to σ_1 and σ_3 . The parameter ψ ,

356 defined as $(\sigma_2 - \sigma_3) / (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)$ in Eq. (8), can be used to describe stress states: ψ

357 is 0 for uniaxial compression, 1 for uniaxial extension, and between 0 and 1 for

358 triaxial stress states. The following analysis includes the cases of uniaxial extension
 359 and compression. We can depict nucleation-rate profiles for three sections (Table 1):
 360 $x_1 - x_2$, $x_2 - x_3$ and $x_3 - x_1$ as follows.

361 'insert Table 1'

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 363 **3.4.1. Section $x_1 - x_2$ ($n = 0$)**

364 The nucleation-rate profile for section $x_1 - x_2$ can be depicted by
 365 substituting $n = 0$ into Eq. (13), which then becomes

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 367
$$I(\phi_1) = A_3 \exp \left[(1 - \psi) \kappa_n^+ \cos 2 \left(\phi_1 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right] \quad (\text{columnar minerals}) \quad (27a)$$

368
$$I(\phi_1) = A_3 \exp [(\psi - 1) \kappa_n^- \cos 2 \phi_1]. \quad (\text{platy minerals}) \quad (27b)$$

369
 370 The derivations of Eq. (27) and A_3 are provided in the online Supplementary
 371 material Appendix A3.1. These equations represent von Mises distributions with
 372 respect to ϕ_1 .

373
 374 **3.4.2. Section $x_2 - x_3$ ($l = 0$)**

375 The nucleation-rate profile for section $x_2 - x_3$ can be depicted by substituting
 376 $l = 0$ into Eq. (13), which then becomes

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 378
$$I(\phi_3) = A_1 \exp(\psi \kappa_n^+ \cos 2 \phi_3) \quad (\text{columnar minerals}) \quad (28a)$$

379
$$I(\phi_3) = A_1 \exp \left[-\psi \kappa_n^- \cos 2 \left(\phi_3 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right]. \quad (\text{platy minerals}) \quad (28b)$$

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 381 The derivations of Eq. (28) and A_1 are provided in the online Supplementary
 382 material Appendix A3.2. In these equations, we use $\cos \phi_3 = n$ (Fig. 2a). These
 383 equations represent von Mises distributions with respect to ϕ_3 .

384
 385 **3.4.3. Section $x_3 - x_1$ ($m = 0$)**

386 Nucleation-rate profiles for section $x_3 - x_1$ can be depicted by substituting

387 $m = 0$ into Eq. (13), which then becomes

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$$389 \quad I(\phi_1) = A_{13} \exp \left[\kappa_n^+ \cos 2 \left(\phi_1 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right] \quad (\text{columnar minerals}) \quad (29a)$$

$$390 \quad I(\phi_1) = A_{13} \exp(-\kappa_n^- \cos 2 \phi_1). \quad (\text{platy minerals}) \quad (29b)$$

391

392 The derivations of these equations and A_{13} are provided in the online

393 Supplementary material Appendix A3.3. These equations represent von Mises

394 distributions with respect to ϕ_1 .

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396 3.5. Stereographic projection

397 Here, we produce contoured stereographic projection diagrams showing
398 nucleation rates for all stress states. As before, we progress from Eq. (13). To avoid
399 confusion, we deal with columnar and platy minerals separately due to the
400 differences in the signs of their activation volumes.

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402 3.5.1. Columnar minerals ($\Delta V^+ > 0$)

403 The maximum nucleation rate is attained at direction cosines of (0, 0, 1),
404 with the rate given by

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$$406 \quad I(0,0,1) = A_0 \exp \left(-\frac{\sigma_3 \Delta V^+}{k_B T} \right). \quad (30)$$

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408 We designate a constant d ($0 < d < 1$) to derive a nucleation rate that is
409 proportional to the maximum nucleation rate, as follows:

410

$$411 \quad d = \frac{I(l,m,n)}{I(0,0,1)} = \frac{A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \Delta V^+}{k_B T} \right]}{A_0 \exp \left(-\frac{\sigma_3 \Delta V^+}{k_B T} \right)}. \quad (31)$$

412

413 This equation can then be transformed to

414

415 $d = \exp \left[- \frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2 - \sigma_3) \Delta V^+}{k_B T} \right]. \quad (32)$

416

417 For our analysis we use an equal-area upper-hemisphere stereographic
 418 projection (Schmidt net; Fig. 2c and Appendix 4 in the online Supplementary
 419 material). The $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ plane is represented by the perimeter of the diagram and
 420 σ_2 is located at the centre of the net (Fig. 2c). The positions of points on the
 421 stereographic net are determined by two angles: the azimuthal angle to the σ_1 axis
 422 (α) and the vertical angle from the $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ surface (β). The direction cosines
 423 (l, m, n) are expressed in terms of the stereographic angles α and β as $l =$
 424 $\cos \alpha \cos \beta$, $m = \sin \beta$ and $n = \sin \alpha \cos \beta$, respectively.

425 The angles of the stereographic projection (Fig. 2c) are related as follows:

426

427 $\frac{\ln(1/d)}{2\kappa_n^+} - \psi = (\cos^2 \alpha - \psi) \cos^2 \beta, \quad (33)$

428

429 which is derived in the online Supplementary material Appendix A5.1. This equation
 430 gives α as a function of β , and such (α, β) pairs are used to generate contours for
 431 each d value. Similarly, other pairs such as $(\alpha, -\beta)$, $(-\alpha, \beta)$ and $(-\alpha, -\beta)$ also
 432 constitute contour lines. We draw contour diagrams by using this equation with d
 433 values of 0.1–0.9, with an interval of 0.1, and forcing the terms on the left to be >0
 434 (Fig. 4). The value for d needs to be chosen carefully, as it must satisfy

435

436 $d \exp \left(- \frac{\sigma_3 \Delta V^+}{k_B T} \right) \geq \exp \left(- \frac{\sigma_1 \Delta V^+}{k_B T} \right). \quad (34)$

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‘insert Fig. 4’

439 3.5.2. *Platy minerals* ($\Delta V^- < 0$)

440 The maximum nucleation rate for platy minerals is attained at (1, 0, 0), with
 441 the rate given by

442

443 $I(1,0,0) = A_0 \exp \left(- \frac{\sigma_1 \Delta V^-}{k_B T} \right). \quad (35)$

444

445 We designate a constant d ($0 < d < 1$) to derive a nucleation rate proportional to
446 the maximum nucleation rate, as follows:

447

$$448 \quad d = \frac{I(l,m,n)}{I(1,0,0)} = \frac{A_0 \exp\left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \Delta V^-}{k_B T}\right]}{A_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma_1 \Delta V^-}{k_B T}\right)}. \quad (36)$$

449

450 This equation is transformed to

451

$$452 \quad d = \exp\left[\frac{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_1 l^2 - \sigma_2 m^2 - \sigma_3 n^2) \Delta V^-}{k_B T}\right]. \quad (37)$$

453

454 The orientation (l, m, n) can be expressed in terms of α and β angles as
455 $(\cos \alpha \cos \beta, \sin \beta, \sin \alpha \cos \beta)$. By eliminating l, m and n from Eq. (37), we obtain

456

$$457 \quad (\psi - \cos^2 \alpha) \cos^2 \beta = \frac{\ln d}{2\kappa_n^-} + (\psi - 1), \quad (38)$$

458

459 which is derived in the online Supplementary material Appendix A5.2. This equation
460 also gives (α, β) , $(\alpha, -\beta)$, $(-\alpha, \beta)$ and $(-\alpha, -\beta)$ pairs for a given d -value. The
461 value for d must satisfy the following:

462

$$463 \quad d \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma_1 \Delta V^-}{k_B T}\right) \geq \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma_3 \Delta V^-}{k_B T}\right). \quad (39)$$

464

465 The results are illustrated in Fig. 5. In addition, we constructed nucleation contour
466 diagrams with σ_1 at the centre of the net (Fig. 6) by rotating the σ_1 and σ_2 axes by
467 90° . The method for such rotations is described by Turner and Weiss (1963).

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‘insert Fig. 6’

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471 **3.6. Contoured nucleation-rate diagrams for triaxial stress states**

472 Nucleation rate is controlled by an exponential form of the Lamé's stress
473 ellipsoid. For both columnar and platy minerals, the shape of the Schmidt net fabric
474 diagram changes as the values κ_n^\pm (κ_n^+ and κ_n^-) and ψ are varied (Figs 4–6). The
475 strength of the preferred orientation is enhanced by an increasing absolute value of
476 κ_n^\pm . An increase in ψ , from uniaxial compression ($\psi = 0$) to uniaxial extension ($\psi =$
477 1), will alter the symmetry of the contours; i.e., columnar minerals exhibit a change
478 from girdle to point-maximum patterns, whereas platy minerals change from point-
479 maximum to girdle patterns. These variations are similar to those theoretically
480 predicted by Woodcock (1977, fig. 3), Shelley (1983, fig. 7.30 for amphibole and fig.
481 7.11 for platy minerals), and Sintubin (1998, fig. 1A for mica), which were based on
482 the symmetry of stress and/or strain fields.

483 'insert Fig. 7'

484

485 **4. Discussion**

486

487 *4.1. Examples of preferred orientations in metamorphic rocks*

488 Nucleation rate (I) is proportional to the number of newly nucleated grains in
489 a given volume per unit time. Thus, nucleation rate with respect to orientation reflects
490 the preferred orientation of mineral grains. To determine the applicability of our
491 model, we analysed previously published 2D and 3D orientation data for columnar
492 and platy minerals, plotted on Schmidt net fabric diagrams. Although some data are
493 dissimilar to our model predictions, we also identify many data that are consistent
494 with our predictions, indicating that our model may be useful for the analysis of
495 preferred orientations in natural rocks.

496

497 *4.1.1. Columnar minerals*

498 Shape-preferred orientation data for columnar minerals (i.e., the
499 concentration of long axes relative to the foliation surface) have been reported by
500 Masuda et al. (1999, 2004, 2008, 2011) and Omori et al. (2016). These authors

501 analysed glaucophane, tourmaline and piemontite in metachert and marble from
502 high-pressure metamorphic belts and a metamorphic sole. The samples contained
503 no microfolds. Figure 7 shows four representative examples of orientation distribution
504 diagrams for samples from Greece and Turkey (Masuda et al., 2004, 2008, 2011).
505 The orientation distributions in these examples fit well with the von Mises distribution
506 at various κ values.

507 Pole-figure diagrams for columnar minerals have been widely published
508 (e.g., Sander, 1930; Turner and Weiss, 1963) and two examples are shown in Fig. 8a
509 and c, with two corresponding contour diagrams predicted by the model presented in
510 Fig. 8b and d. The figure pairs (8a–b and 8c–d) appear relatively similar. However, it
511 should be noted that the model diagrams were constructed using a different
512 contouring method than that for typical fabric diagrams. In most fabric diagrams, the
513 contours have a spacing of >1 (Fig. 8a and b), whereas our model uses a spacing of
514 ≤ 1 (Fig. 8b and d).

515 'insert Fig. 8'

516

517 4.1.2. *Platy minerals*

518 Two-dimensional orientation data for platy minerals are rare compared with
519 stereographic projection data (see below), and we focus on two examples. Bell
520 (1979) presented two generations of biotite in a single diagram, producing
521 histograms with peaks at orientations parallel to the foliation and bedding (Fig. 9a).
522 We tentatively fit the distribution of mica grains around the foliation using the von
523 Mises distribution, which appears to generate an acceptable result. Two-dimensional
524 analysis is particularly useful if the sample contains a mixture of phyllosilicate grains
525 with distinct origins. Mancktelow (1979) used an optical microscope to identify
526 internal deformation features such as kink bands and undulatory extinction, which
527 were used to discriminate between two generations of biotite (plotted as two
528 histograms; Fig. 9b). The von Mises distribution fits orientation data for the younger
529 generation of biotite ($\kappa = -57$), whereas it does not fit the orientation data for the

530 older grains.

531 ‘insert Fig. 9’

532 Preferred orientation data (plotted on Schmidt nets) for platy minerals in
533 slates, phyllites, schists and gneisses have been acquired for more than 90 years
534 (e.g., Schmidt, 1925; Sander, 1930; Knopf and Ingerson, 1937; Fairbairn, 1949,
535 Turner and Weiss, 1963; Wenk, 1985). Among such data, we select four examples
536 displaying distinct orientation distributions, irrespective of the genetic interpretation of
537 the authors (Fig. 10). These preferred-orientation patterns are presented as
538 contoured equal-area (Schmidt net) lower-hemisphere diagrams showing the
539 orientations of poles to the basal surfaces (001) of grains.

540 ‘insert Fig. 10’

541 Muscovite data of Wenk et al. (2018; Fig. 10a) display a high concentration
542 of orientations perpendicular to the foliation surface, similar to the predicted pattern
543 at $\psi = 0$ and $\kappa_n^- = -14$ (Fig. 10b). The elliptical orientation distribution of mica
544 grains described by Oertel and Phakey (1972; Fig. 10c) is consistent with the
545 predicted pattern at $\psi = 0.5$ and $\kappa_n^- = -4$ (Fig. 10d); however, the orientations of
546 the long axes of the ellipses differ between the two diagrams due to a difference in
547 reference frame in the Schmidt nets. Furthermore, muscovite orientation data of
548 Holeywell and Tullis (1975; Fig. 10e) are similar to the model pattern at $\psi = 0.8$ and
549 $\kappa_n^- = -2.5$ (Fig. 10f). Chlorite data reported by Ishii (1988; Fig. 10g) are also
550 consistent with the model, at values of $\psi = 0.9$ and $\kappa_n^- = -0.55$ (Fig. 10h). These
551 four examples correspond to almost the full range of ψ values, from 0 to 0.9, and a
552 wide range of κ_n^- values, from -0.55 to -14 .

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554 *4.1.3. Evaluating the applicability of the model*

555 The fitting of selected data with the predicted orientation patterns appears
556 excellent (Figs 7–10). As nucleation is not an instantaneous process in natural rocks,
557 but rather an enduring one that occurs during changing temperature and pressure
558 conditions (e.g., Ridley, 1985), grains observed in a rock would have undergone

559 diachronous nucleation. The good fit between model and natural orientation
560 distributions suggests that nucleation occurred over a short time, during which $\Delta\sigma$
561 and ψ did not vary significantly.

562 The good fit of the model does not necessarily indicate that it is valid, given
563 the possibility of alternative interpretations. At least six processes are known to
564 generate preferred orientations of minerals: nucleation, growth, Ostwald ripening,
565 plastic deformation (including dislocation glide and kinking), rigid-body rotation and
566 pressure solution (e.g., Passchier and Trouw, 2005; Twiss and Moores, 2007). Some
567 of these processes may operate simultaneously in nonhydrostatically stressed
568 metamorphic rocks. Our model considers only nucleation, whereas natural preferred
569 orientations will be affected by all of the above-mentioned processes. Therefore,
570 more studies are required to determine the origin of preferred orientations in
571 metamorphic tectonites.

572

573 *4.2. Atomistic model for the formation of embryos under nonhydrostatic stress*

574 On the basis of schematic diagrams (e.g. figs. 75 and 85 of Buckley, 1951;
575 fig. 7.45 of Lasaga, 1998) we speculate that mineral embryos form from atoms and
576 unit cells via the following three steps (Fig. 11).

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578 *4.2.1. Step 1: formation of a unit cell on a substrate grain (Fig. 11a)*

579 We consider the case in which a nucleating mineral forms unit cells on a
580 substrate mineral grain. The shape of the unit cell is represented by a rectangle in
581 Fig. 11 and the length of the substrate grain is exaggerated. Individual and bonded
582 atoms encounter the substrate grain via diffusion through the rock and will form new
583 unit cells of the nucleating mineral by integrating with other atoms on the surface of
584 the substrate grain. Some unit cells form at unfavourable orientations with respect to
585 the substrate grain (Fig. 11a, second unit cell from the left) and soon break down and
586 reconstruct to form new unit cells with more favourable orientations. Unit cells may
587 also form by chance, far from substrate grains. Such cells are unlikely to migrate to

588 the surface of the substrate grain due to their high probability of breaking down and
589 the sluggishness of their diffusion through solids.

590 'insert Fig. 11'

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592 4.2.2. Step 2: formation of a single-layer embryo (Fig. 11b)

593 Isolated unit cells on substrate grain surfaces are unstable and will
594 eventually break down to individual atoms. Unit cells may move laterally along the
595 surface of the substrate grain, maintaining their structure. When they encounter other
596 unit cells, they bind together to form a single-layer embryo, which is more stable than
597 isolated unit cells. A single-layer embryo can be enlarged through the addition of
598 atoms (and/or unit cells) along its margin. As the movement rate of isolated atoms
599 and groups of atoms along the surface of the substrate grain is much higher than that
600 of unit cells, enlargement via the addition of atoms is likely the dominant process.
601 The number of atoms that land on the top surface of the single-layer embryo is
602 negligibly small owing to the small area of the surface. Therefore, unit cells are
603 unlikely to be produced on the top surfaces of single-layer embryos.

604

605 4.2.3. Step 3: construction of a multi-layer embryo (Fig. 11c)

606 A single-layer embryo remains unstable and will eventually break down,
607 whereas multi-layer embryos are more stable due to their lower surface-to-volume
608 ratios (see Appendix 1 in the online Supplementary material). Therefore, a single-
609 layer embryo must become a multi-layer embryo to survive long enough to transform
610 into a nucleus. To form a multi-layer embryo, unit cells on the surface of the substrate
611 grain must climb onto the top of the embryo, under the influence of normal stress.

612 Isolated or groups of atoms may land on the upper surface of the single-
613 layer embryo. However, in such cases, unit cells are unlikely to be produced due to
614 the lack of partner atoms of the nucleating mineral. As the surface area of single-
615 layer embryos is very small compared with that of the substrate grain, unit cells
616 formed through such processes are likely very rare and negligibly small in number.

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618 *4.2.4. Note on the formation of nuclei*

619 As σ_n differs with respect to the orientation of the surface under
620 nonhydrostatic stress states, the nucleation rate also differs. Our model indicates that
621 thickening of embryos is a vital step in nucleation and that the rate-controlling
622 process is the climbing of unit cells under the influence of σ_n (step 3). Therefore, the
623 magnitude of σ_n controls all nucleation processes. A positive activation volume
624 indicates that normal stress will restrict nuclei formation, whereas a negative
625 activation volume indicates that normal stress accelerates the process. Here, we are
626 referring to the activation volume of a transitional phase, rather than that of a stable
627 mineral. We simply regard activation volume as a specific constant that characterises
628 the influence of pressure on the material and do not discuss its physical meaning.
629 Furthermore, the transition states of columnar and platy minerals remain generally
630 unconstrained.

631

632 **5. Conclusion**

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634 We present a kinetic model for the anisotropic nucleation rate of minerals in
635 nonhydrostatically stressed metamorphic rocks. The model can quantitatively predict
636 development of the preferred orientation of columnar and platy minerals in terms of
637 κ_n^\pm (the concentration parameter of the von Mises distribution defined by
638 $\Delta\sigma\Delta V^*/2k_B T$) and ψ (the stress parameter defined by $(\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)/(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)$). As the
639 model only considers mineral nucleation, it cannot always be applied to the preferred
640 orientation of minerals in naturally deformed rocks. The model will contribute to our
641 understanding of how minerals develop a preferred orientation in deformed rocks.

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657 **On line Supplementary material**

658 Appendix 1. Gibbs free energy of activation during nucleation

659 Appendix 2. The von Mises distribution

660 Appendix 3. Derivation of nucleation-rate equations

661 Appendix 4. Direction cosines and stereographic projection

662 Appendix 5. Contours on stereographic projection

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860 **Figure captions**

861

862 Fig. 1. Model framework. (a) Schematic diagram illustrating the difference in Gibbs
863 free energy (ΔG) between reactants (initial state) and products (final state) with
864 respect to the reaction coordinate (modified after fig. 4.2 of Putnis and
865 McConnell, 1980). ΔG^* : Gibbs free energy of activation. (b) Schematic diagram
866 showing embryos of columnar and platy minerals during heterogeneous
867 nucleation. Embryos (dark grey) form on flat surfaces of substrate grains (light
868 grey). The shapes of the embryos are controlled by their crystal habit. For
869 simplicity, the long axis of columnar minerals is assumed to be perpendicular to
870 the surface of substrate grains. $\vec{\sigma}_n$ is the stress vector operating perpendicular
871 to each flat surface of the substrate grain. The substrate grains and embryos
872 are surrounded by a stress-transmittable material (not shown). (c) Schematic
873 energy profile for a range of crystalline particles, from embryos through nuclei,
874 to grains (modified after Putnis and McConnell, 1980 and Kretz, 1994). Particle
875 size reflects the number of constituent atoms. The distinction between nucleus
876 and grain is tentatively made based on the magnitude of Gibbs free energy. (d)
877 The Cartesian coordinate system in nonhydrostatically stressed metamorphic
878 rocks. Coordinate axes (x_1 , x_2 and x_3) are oriented parallel to the principal
879 stress axes (σ_1 , σ_2 and σ_3).

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881 Fig. 2. Direction cosines and stereographic projection. (a) Direction cosine angles
882 (ϕ_1 , ϕ_2 and ϕ_3) for a pole to a substrate grain surface (dark grey). The thick
883 line intersecting the origin is oriented perpendicular to the mineral surface. (b)
884 Angles used for the construction of upper-hemisphere stereographic projections
885 (α and β). (c) Upper-hemisphere stereographic projection. σ_1 , σ_2 and σ_3 are
886 located in the centre, at the top and bottom, and on the left and right of the
887 diagram, respectively. The horizontal and vertical lines designate the $\sigma_2 - \sigma_3$
888 and $\sigma_1 - \sigma_2$ planes, respectively.

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890 Fig. 3. Profile of representative von Mises distributions (f) with respect to a dummy

891 angle (θ) with a mode at 90° , at which the distributions are at a maximum.

892 Annotated numbers indicate the concentration parameter κ for each

893 distribution. The concentration of orientations becomes greater with increasing

894 κ . κ is not equivalent to κ_n^+ or $-\kappa_n^-$, and depends on the orientation of the

895 section and mineral grain. See Table 1 for the relationships among κ , κ_n^+ or

896 $-\kappa_n^-$.

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898 Fig. 4. Predicted contour diagrams (Schmidt nets) for the nucleation rate of columnar

899 minerals in terms of κ_n^+ and ψ . The positions of σ_1 , σ_2 and σ_3 in the

900 diagrams are indicated in Fig. 2c. The horizontal line through the centre of each

901 diagram represents a plane perpendicular to σ_1 , and the centre corresponds to

902 σ_2 . The maximum nucleation rate ($d = 1$) is attained at σ_3 . The coloured

903 contour lines correspond to d values from 0.1 to 1, with an interval of 0.1. The

904 red horizontal line ($\psi = 0$) and red points (exaggerated in scale) at both ends of

905 the black horizontal line ($0 < \psi \leq 1$) represent $d = 1$. The black line indicates

906 $d = 0.5$.

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908 Fig. 5. Predicted contour diagrams (Schmidt net) for the nucleation rate of platy

909 minerals in terms of $-\kappa_n^-$ and ψ . Note that a negative sign ($-$) is attached to

910 κ_n^- because $\kappa_n^- < 0$. The positions of σ_1 , σ_2 and σ_3 in the diagrams are

911 indicated in Fig. 2c. The horizontal line through the centre of each diagram

912 represents a plane perpendicular to σ_1 , and the centre corresponds to σ_2 . The

913 maximum nucleation rate ($d = 1$) is attained at σ_1 . The coloured contour lines

914 correspond to d values from 0.1 to 1, with an interval of 0.1. The red line ($\psi =$

915 1) and red points ($\psi < 1$) represent $d = 1$. The black line represents $d = 0.5$.

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917 Fig. 6. Predicted contour diagrams (Schmidt net) for the nucleation rate of platy
918 minerals in terms of $-\kappa_n^-$ and ψ . A negative sign (-) is attached to κ_n^-
919 because $\kappa_n^- < 0$. The centre of the diagram corresponds to σ_1 , and the top and
920 bottom represent σ_2 . Note that the positions of σ_1 and σ_2 are different from
921 those in Fig. 5. The coloured contour lines correspond to d values from 0.1 to
922 1, with an interval of 0.1. The maximum nucleation rate ($d = 1$) is attained at the
923 centre of the diagram (red point; $\psi < 1$) and along the red line ($\psi = 1$). The
924 black line indicates $d = 0.5$.

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926 Fig. 7. Examples of 2D shape-preferred orientations of columnar minerals. (a)
927 Glaucophane in marble from Delfini, Syros, Greece; from fig. 3(a) of Masuda et
928 al. (2011). (b) Tourmaline in metachert from Eskisehir, Turkey; from fig. 1 of
929 Masuda et al. (2008). (c) Glaucophane in metachert from Eskisehir, Turkey;
930 from fig. 3 of Masuda et al. (2004). (d) Glaucophane in marble from Kampos,
931 Syros, Greece; from fig. 3(b) of Masuda et al. (2011). Measurements of the
932 orientations of glaucophane and tourmaline long axes were conducted on a
933 plane perpendicular to the foliation using an optical microscope. The histograms
934 are constructed to align the mean orientation (lineation) to 90° . N : total number
935 of measured grains. Note that N exceeds 15,000 in (c). Von Mises distributions
936 (as determined in the original studies) are represented by solid lines and appear
937 to fit the measured data. κ : concentration parameter for each distribution. The
938 four histograms are arranged in order of increasing κ . As the measurements
939 were made on a surface parallel to the foliation, the κ values for these data
940 satisfy $\kappa = \psi\kappa_n^+$ (Table 1). As ψ is not well constrained for these samples, we
941 were unable to evaluate κ_n^+ .

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943 Fig. 8. Selected examples of lower-hemisphere fabric diagrams (Schmidt net) for
944 columnar minerals from the literature (a and c) and corresponding contour
945 patterns for nucleation rate predicted by our model (b and d). (a) Hornblende c-

946 axes in anorthosite from Ontario, Canada; after Rousell (1981, fig. 4d). The
947 orientations of 100 grains were measured using a universal stage on an optical
948 microscope. Contours are drawn according to Kamb's (1959) statistical method.
949 F and L indicate the foliation surface and lineation, respectively. (b) Contour
950 diagram predicted by the model for $\psi = 0.21$ and $\kappa_n^+ = 2.3$. (c) Glaucophane
951 c-axes in an eclogite (RK49) from the Tauern Window, Austria; modified after
952 Keppler et al., (2015, fig. 6). Orientations were measured using a neutron time-
953 of-flight texture diffractometer SKAT at the Frank Laboratory of Neutron Physics
954 at JINR (Dubna, Russia). Contour levels represent multiples of a uniform
955 distribution. The lineation (L) is oriented E–W and the pole to the foliation is
956 oriented N–S. (d) Contour diagram predicted by the model for $\psi = 0.002$ and
957 $\kappa_n^+ = 1.2$. For coloured contour diagrams of (b) and (d), see Fig. 4.

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959 Fig. 9. Selected examples of 2D preferred orientations of platy minerals. N : number
960 of measured grains. (a) Two histograms showing the orientations of (001)
961 planes of individual mica grains in slate from the Nackara Arc, South Australia,
962 relative to slaty cleavage (S_1) and bedding (S_0) (modified after Bell, 1978, fig.
963 22). P8 (a1) and 012 (a2) are sample numbers. Orientations were measured on
964 a flat microscope stage on a section oriented normal to the bedding–cleavage
965 intersection lineation. We fitted the data to von Mises distributions (solid curves)
966 for grains oriented within $<35^\circ$ of S_1 (foliation). The fit appears reasonable at
967 values of $\kappa = -2.1$ (a1) and $\kappa = -2.2$ (a2). We cannot evaluate κ_n^- due to a
968 lack of information regarding the lineation in this sample. (b) (001) histograms
969 for old (b1) and new (b2) biotite grains in a slate sample (specimen 476–67)
970 from the Fleurieu Peninsula, South Australia (modified after Mancktelow, 1979,
971 fig. 7). Orientations were measured on a section perpendicular to the foliation
972 and parallel to the lineation, using an optical microscope. Thus, the calculated
973 concentration parameter (κ) is equivalent to κ_n^- (Table 1). The histogram for the
974 new grains (b2) can be fitted to a von Mises distribution (solid curve) with a κ

975 value of -57 . This κ value is equivalent to κ_0^- (Table 1). Orientation data for
976 the old grains (b1) cannot be fitted to a von Mises distribution.

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978 Fig. 10. Examples of fabric diagrams (lower-hemisphere Schmidt nets) for platy
979 minerals (a, c, e and g) and corresponding predicted nucleation rate patterns (b,
980 d, f and h). (a) Orientations of (001) of chlorite in an argillaceous rock (Loc. 6)
981 from South Kitakami, northeast Japan (Ishii, 1988, fig. 8). Orientations were
982 measured in transmission mode with a diffractometer fitted to a universal
983 sample holder and pinhole slit. Contours represent the ratio of the distribution
984 density relative to the mean density. The distribution peak is not located at the
985 centre of the diagram. Triangle indicates the pole to bedding. (b) Predicted
986 contour pattern at $\psi = 0.9$ and $\kappa_n^- = -0.55$ (centre = σ_1). (c) Orientations of
987 (001) of mica in slate (HL-23) from Lehigh Gap, Pennsylvania, USA (Holeywell
988 and Tullis, 1975, fig. 10). Orientations were measured using an X-ray pole-
989 figure goniometer. Contours are labelled in multiples of uniform distribution. N,
990 W and D correspond to the orientation of geographical north, west and down,
991 respectively. (d) Predicted contour pattern at $\psi = 0.8$ and $\kappa_n^- = -2.5$ (centre =
992 σ_2). (e) Orientations of basal planes (00 ℓ) of muscovite in slate (W22) from North
993 Wales, United Kingdom (Oertel and Phakey, 1972, fig. 2). Orientations were
994 measured using an X-ray pole-figure goniometer. Contours represent multiples
995 of random intensity (2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16). N and W indicate north and
996 west, respectively. na: nadir. Dashed line: trace of bedding plane. F: fold axis
997 defined by the intersection between bedding and slaty cleavage. (f) Predicted
998 contour pattern at $\psi = 0.5$ and $\kappa_n^- = -4$ (centre = σ_1). (g) Orientations of
999 (001) of muscovite in slate from the La Fortelle quarry in the Belgian Ardennes
1000 (Wenk et al., 2018, fig. 5). Quantitative orientation analysis was conducted
1001 following the Rietveld method on a synchrotron X-ray diffraction image. Contour
1002 levels are illustrated in the legend and correspond to pole densities in multiples

1003 of a random distribution. (h) Predicted contour pattern at $\psi = 0$ and $\kappa_n^- = -14$
1004 (centre = σ_1). For coloured contour diagrams for (b), (d), (f) and (h), see Fig. 4.

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1006 Fig. 11. Schematic cross-section of a growing embryo on a substrate grain. (a) Step
1007 1: formation of unit cells on the substrate grain. (b) Step 2: formation of a single-
1008 layer embryo combining the unit cells. (c) Step 3: construction of a multi-layer
1009 embryo. The matrix (dotted area) in (a)–(c) is filled with stress-transmittable
1010 material. Unit cells (light grey) are unstable. See text for detail.

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1013 Table 1. Distribution functions with respect to direction cosines (ϕ_1 and ϕ_3) on three
1014 orthogonal sections for columnar and platy minerals.

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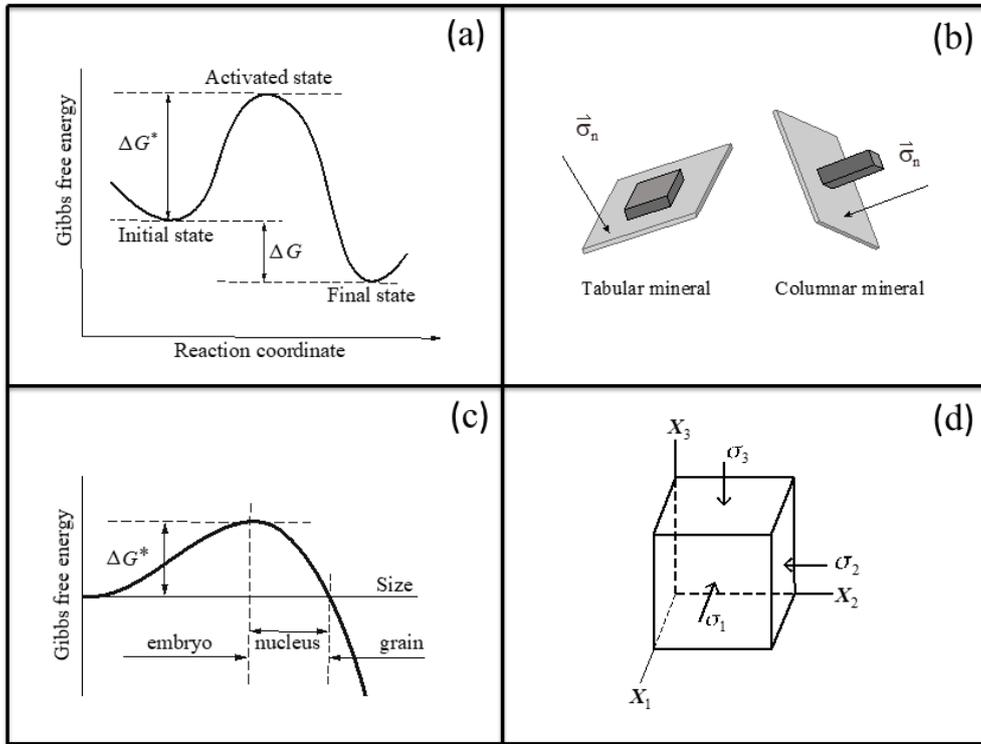


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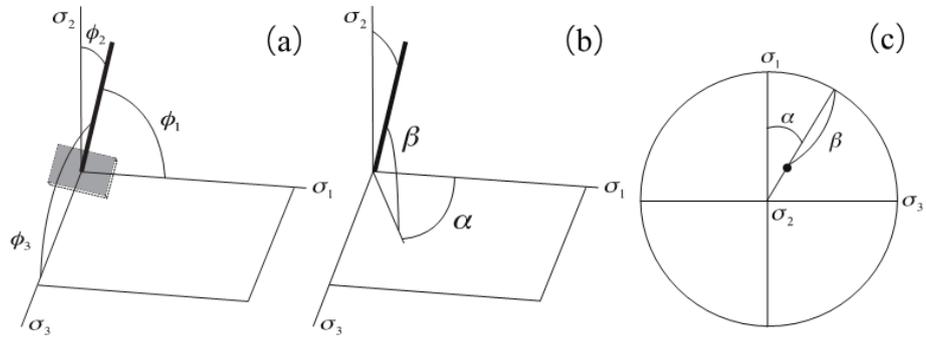


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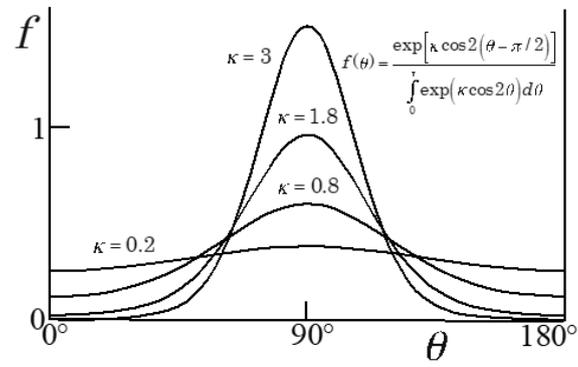


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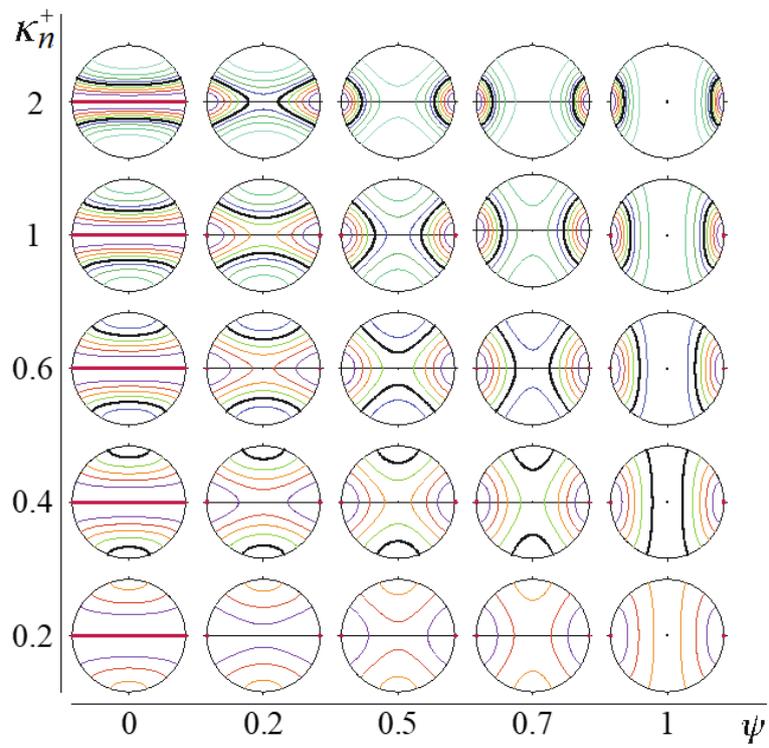


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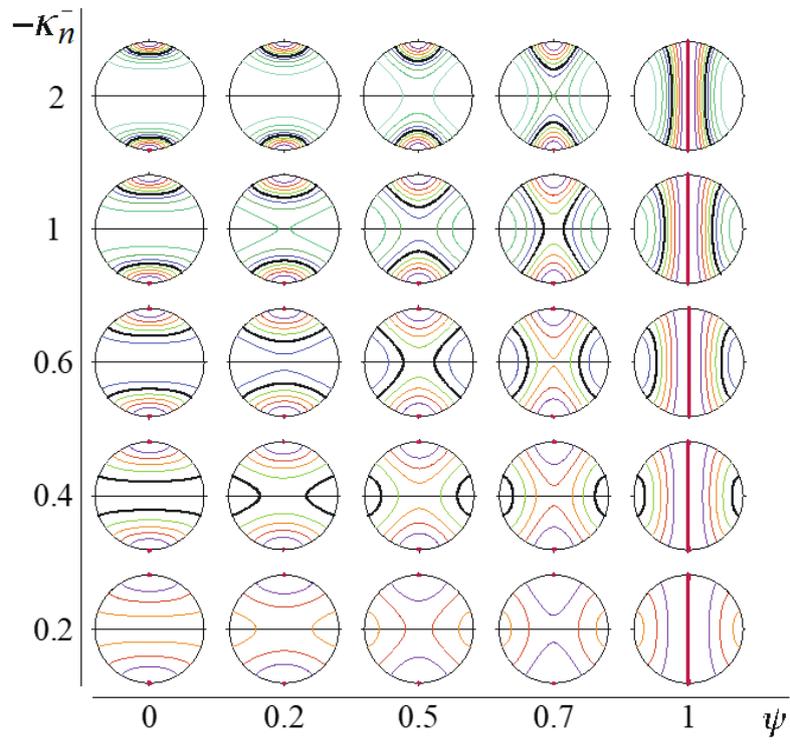


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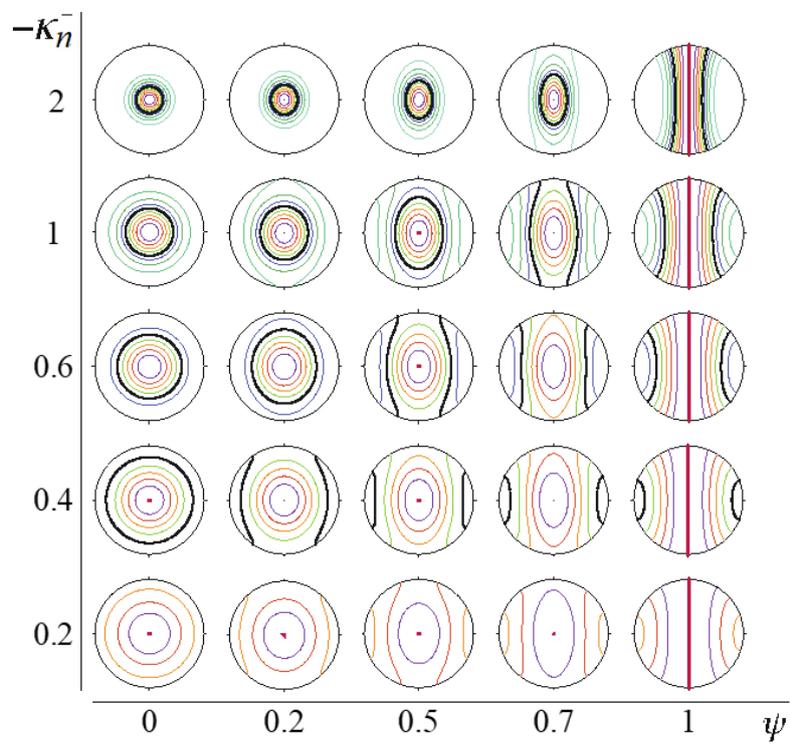


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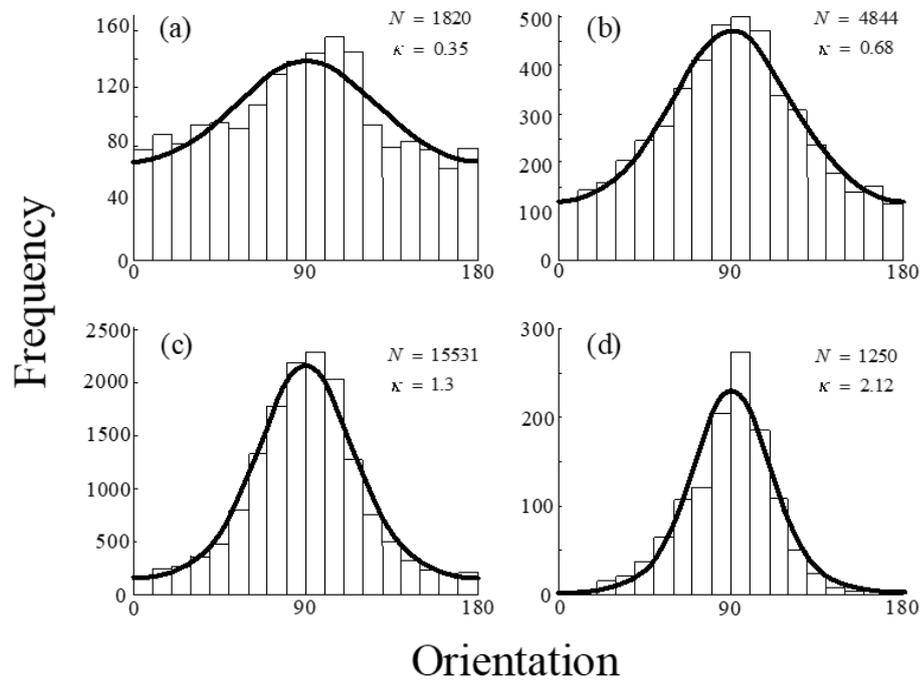


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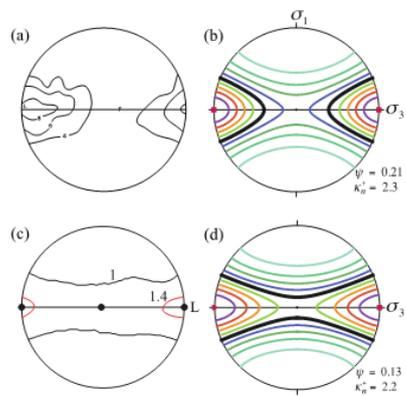


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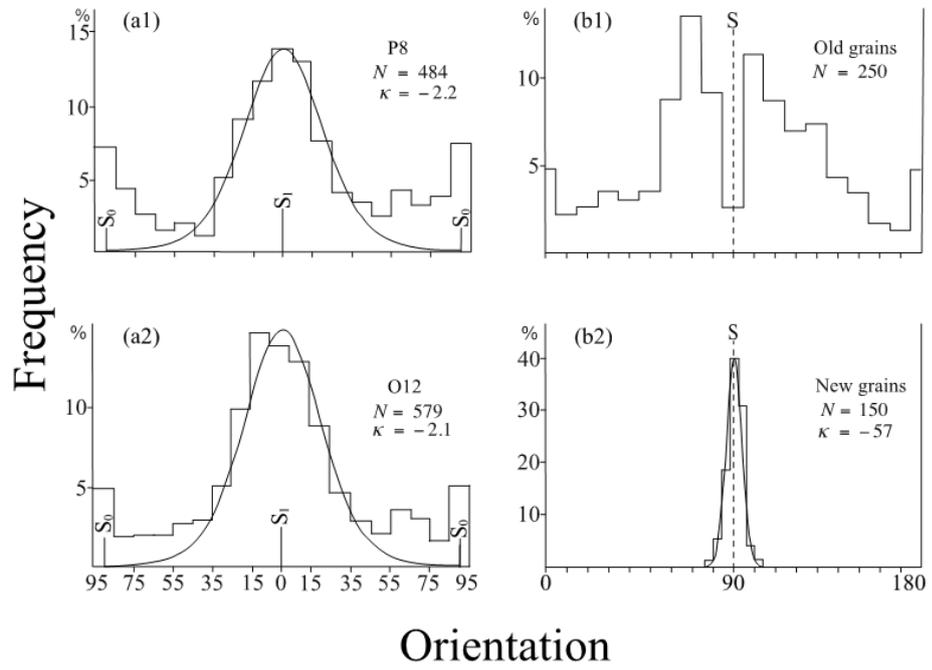
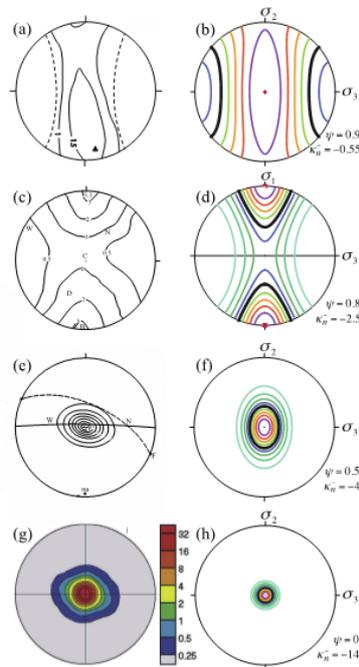


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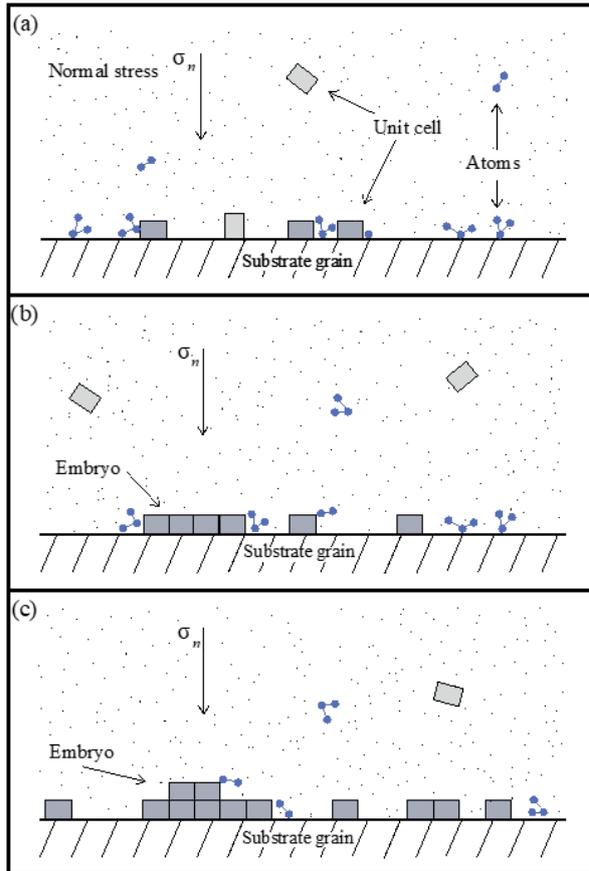


Fig. 11

Table 1

Section	Columnar minerals	Platy minerals
$x_1 - x_2$	$I(\phi_1) = A_3 \exp\left[(1 - \psi) \cdot \kappa_n^+ \cos 2\left(\phi_1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right]$	$I(\phi_1) = A_3 \exp[(\psi - 1) \cdot \kappa_n^- \cos 2\phi_1]$
$x_2 - x_3$	$I(\phi_3) = A_1 \exp(\psi \cdot \kappa_n^+ \cos 2\phi_3)$	$I(\phi_3) = A_1 \exp[-\psi \cdot \kappa_n^- \cos 2\left(\phi_3 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)]$
$x_3 - x_1$	$I(\phi_1) = A_{13} \exp\left[\kappa_n^+ \cos 2\left(\phi_1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right]$	$I(\phi_1) = A_{13} \exp(-\kappa_n^- \cos 2\phi_1)$

Appendix 1. Gibbs free energy of activation during nucleation

We consider two energy parameters during nucleation under given pressure–temperature conditions: the Gibbs free energy of reaction ΔG_R and the interface energy per unit area γ (e.g., Kretz, 1994; Lasaga, 1998), which are proportional to the volume and surface area of the embryo, nucleus, or grain, respectively. For simplicity, we assume that the embryo/nucleus/grain is surrounded by a homogenous matrix.

A1.1. Spherical embryo

We first consider the case of a spherical embryo/nucleus/grain with radius r and express the overall change in Gibbs free energy ΔG as

$$\Delta G(r) = 4\pi\gamma r^2 + \frac{4}{3}\pi \cdot \Delta G_R \cdot r^3. \quad (\text{A1})$$

As we consider a thermodynamically stable new phase at a given pressure and temperature, the Gibbs free energy of reaction (ΔG_R) is negative. In contrast, as the formation of a new phase generates new surfaces around the embryo/nucleus/grain, the interface energy is positive. Thus, a critical Gibbs free energy of reaction ΔG^* exists and is shown graphically in Fig. 1c.

Spherical embryos may be used to model and understand phase transformations (e.g., Kretz, 1994; Hobbs and Ord, 2015), such as the nucleation of liquid drops in gases (e.g., Smoluchowski, 1951), as well as the nucleation of crystals in magma (e.g., Vernon, 2004). The use of spherical embryos allows for a simple calculation of chemical free energy and interface energy, as only a single size parameter (the radius of the nucleus) must be considered. However, the concept of spherical embryos is clearly inconsistent with models of heterogeneous nucleation in solids, and the development of a spherical embryo on a flat substrate grain is unrealistic.

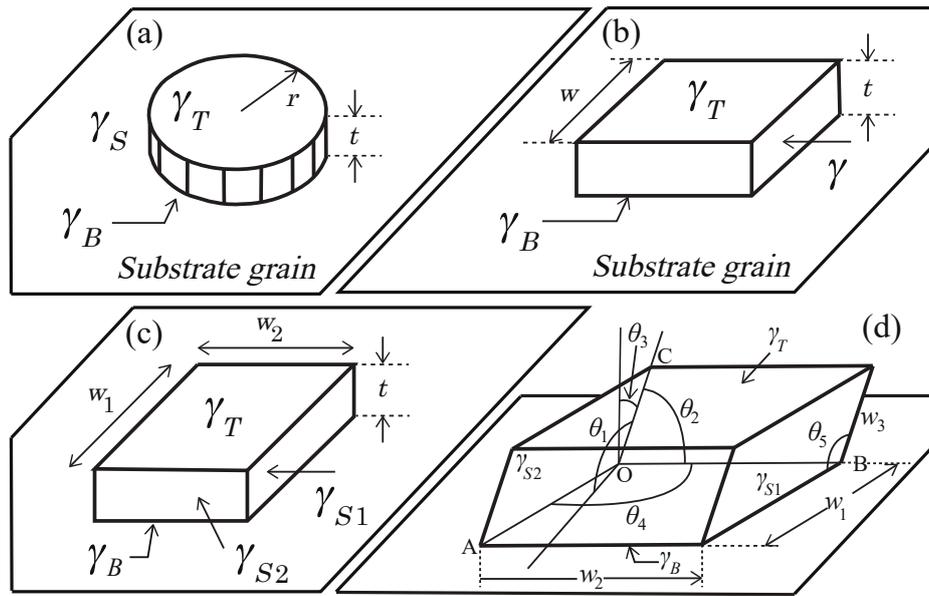


Fig. A1. Schematic diagram of an embryo on a substrate grain, showing the symbols used in the analysis. (a) Pancake-shaped embryo. r and t are the radius and thickness of the embryo, respectively. γ_B : interface energy between the new phase and the substrate grain. γ_T : interface energy between the top surface of the new phase and the matrix. γ_S : interface energy between the sides of the new phase and the matrix. (b) Cuboid embryo with a square base of width w . Thickness and interface energies are defined as in (a). (c) Cuboid embryo with a rectangular base. The two distinct widths (w_1 and w_2) of the rectangle necessitate two interface energies along the sides of the embryo (γ_{S1} and γ_{S2}). See (a) for the definition of other symbols. (d) Parallelepiped embryo on a substrate grain. w_1 , w_2 and w_3 are the lengths of the three edges OA, OB and OC, respectively. Five angles ($\theta_1 - \theta_5$) are illustrated in the figure. Four interface energies are defined for the edges of the embryo, following the method in (c). Note that this diagram is only applicable to tabular minerals.

A1.2. Pancake-shaped embryo

Following Lasaga (1998, p. 547), we consider the formation of a pancake-shaped embryo on a substrate grain (Fig. A1). Three distinct interface energies are defined as follows: that between the base of the embryo and the substrate grain (γ_B), between the top surface of the embryo and the matrix (γ_T), and between the side of the embryo and the matrix (γ_S) (Fig. A1). The matrix is again assumed to be a stress-transmittable, uniform mixture of minerals and atoms (in contrast to the model of Lasaga, 1998). The thickness and radius of the embryo are designated as t and r , respectively. The overall change in ΔG becomes

$$\Delta G(r, t) = \pi r^2 (\gamma_B + \gamma_T) + 2\pi r t \gamma_S + \pi r^2 t \cdot \Delta G_R. \quad (\text{A2})$$

In our analysis, newly formed phases are thermodynamically stable; therefore, ΔG_R is always <0 . To simplify the calculation, we define

$$\alpha = -\Delta G_R \quad (\alpha > 0) \quad (\text{A3})$$

and

$$\gamma_0 = \gamma_B + \gamma_T. \quad (\text{A4})$$

ΔG can then be expressed as

$$\Delta G(r, t) = \pi r^2 (\gamma_0 - \alpha t) + 2\pi r t \gamma_S. \quad (\text{A5})$$

ΔG is influenced by the sign of the expression $\gamma_0 - \alpha t$. If $\gamma_0 - \alpha t = 0$, ΔG is ascribed to a linear function with respect to r . In this case, ΔG is always >0 and the new phase is unstable. If $\gamma_0 - \alpha t > 0$, ΔG is a quadratic function with respect to r and is always positive for any values of r and t . Thus, nucleation of a new phase is unlikely to occur.

However, nucleation will occur if $\gamma_0 - \alpha t < 0$, as a larger r results in a ΔG value of <0 . As nucleation is promoted by low interface energy, we wish to determine the values of w and t that minimise the interface energy of the embryo at a given volume. We solve this problem by using Lagrange's method of undermined multipliers (e.g., Terasawa, 1960). The interface energy is defined as $2\pi\gamma_s r t + \pi\gamma_0 r^2$, with the boundary condition of $\pi r^2 t = V$, where V is the volume of the embryo. We define a new Lagrange's function as

$$L = 2\pi\gamma_s r t + \pi\gamma_0 r^2 - \lambda(V - \pi r^2 t), \quad (\text{A6})$$

where λ is a Lagrange's undermined multiplier. We then define the following simultaneous equations:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = 2\pi\gamma_s t + 2\pi\gamma_0 r + 2\lambda\pi r t = 0, \quad (\text{A7a})$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = 2\pi\gamma_s r + \lambda\pi r^2 = 0. \quad (\text{A7b})$$

By solving these equations, we derive

$$\frac{t}{r} = \frac{\gamma_0}{\gamma_s}. \quad (\text{A8})$$

Therefore, nucleation is most likely to occur when $t/r = \gamma_0 / \gamma_S$. Substituting this relation into Eq. (A2), we have

$$\Delta G(r) = -\pi\alpha \frac{\gamma_0}{\gamma_S} r^3 + 3\pi\gamma_0 r^2. \quad (\text{A9})$$

This is a cubic function with respect to r , and a diagram similar to that in Fig. 1c can be constructed.

A1.3. Cuboid embryo with a square base

In our model, we use a cuboid embryo with a square base (Fig. A1b), as embryos are unlikely to be pancake shaped. We again define three interface energies: between the embryo and the substrate grain, between the top of the embryos and the matrix, and between the sides of the embryo and the matrix (indicated by γ_B , γ_T and γ_S , respectively; Fig. A1). The width and thickness of the embryo are designated as w and t , respectively.

In this case, we can express ΔG as

$$\Delta G(w, t) = w^2(\gamma_B + \gamma_T) + 4wt\gamma_S + w^2t \cdot \Delta G_R. \quad (\text{A10})$$

Thus, substituting $\gamma_0 = \gamma_B + \gamma_T$ and $\alpha = -\Delta G_R$, we have

$$\Delta G(w, t) = w^2(\gamma_0 - \alpha t) + 4wt\gamma_S. \quad (\text{A11})$$

The form of this equation is very similar to that for the pancake-shaped embryo and again states that nucleation requires the value of $\gamma_0 - \alpha t$ to be negative.

We determine w and t to minimise the interface energy of the embryo with the Lagrange's method of undetermined multipliers to solve this problem. The

interface energy is defined as $\gamma_0 w^2 + 4\gamma_s tw$ with a boundary condition of $tw^2 = V_{em}$,

where V_{em} is the volume of the embryo. We define a new Lagrange's function as

$$L = \gamma_0 w^2 + 4\gamma_s tw - \lambda(V_{em} - tw^2), \quad (\text{A12})$$

where λ is a Lagrange's undetermined multiplier. We then define the following simultaneous equations:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = 2\gamma_0 w + 4\gamma_s t + 2\lambda tw = 0 \quad (\text{A13})$$

and

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = 4\gamma_s w + \lambda w^2 = 0. \quad (\text{A14})$$

By solving these equations, we attain a relation for the minimum interface energy:

$$\frac{w}{t} = \frac{2\gamma_s}{\gamma_0}. \quad (\text{A15})$$

If a new phase satisfies the relation $\gamma_0 = 2\gamma_s$, it is likely to have a cubic shape ($w = t$).

From empirical observations of typical mineral grains, we define platy and columnar minerals as having w/t ratios that satisfy $\gamma_0 < 2\gamma_s$ and $\gamma_0 > 2\gamma_s$, respectively (Fig.

A1).

We can then calculate ΔG for a rectangular embryo:

$$\Delta G(w, t) = \gamma_0 w^2 + 4\gamma_s tw + tw^2 \cdot \Delta G_R. \quad (\text{A16})$$

Note that $\Delta G_R < 0$. Substituting the ideal w/t relation of Eq. (A15) into Eq. (A10), we have

$$\Delta G(t) = \frac{4\gamma_S^2 \cdot \Delta G_R}{\gamma_0^2} t^3 + \frac{12\gamma_S^2}{\gamma_0} t^2. \quad (\text{A17})$$

ΔG is a cubic function with respect to t , which first increases, attains a maximum, and then rapidly decreases with increasing t (Fig. 1c).

A1.4. Cuboid embryo with a rectangular base

To generalise our model to all cuboid embryos, we now consider the case of a cuboid embryo with a rectangular base (Fig. A1). Four different interface energies are discriminated: between substrate grains (γ_B), between the top of the substrate grain and the matrix (γ_T), and between the two sides of the substrate grain and the matrix (γ_{S1} and γ_{S2}) (Fig. A1). Each pair of opposing interface energies are set equivalents. The matrix is assumed to be a uniform mixture of various minerals and atoms. The two widths and the thickness of the embryo are represented by w_1 , w_2 and t , respectively.

In this scenario, ΔG can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta G(w_1, w_2, t) &= w_1 w_2 (\gamma_B + \gamma_T) + 2t (w_1 \gamma_{S1} + w_2 \gamma_{S2}) + t w_1 w_2 \cdot \Delta G_R \\ &= w_1 w_2 (\gamma_0 - \alpha t) + 2t (w_1 \gamma_{S1} + w_2 \gamma_{S2}), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A18})$$

where $\gamma_0 = \gamma_B + \gamma_T$ and $\alpha = -\Delta G_R$. In this case, the relation $\gamma_0 - \alpha t < 0$ must be satisfied for nucleation to occur. Thus, a nucleus or grain with a unit-cell thickness cannot form. Thickening of the embryo is necessary for nucleation to occur.

We obtain w_1 , w_2 and t to minimise the total interface energy of the embryo with the Lagrange's method of undetermined multipliers to solve this problem.

The total interface energy is defined as $\gamma_0 w_1 w_2 + 2t(\gamma_{s1} w_1 + \gamma_{s2} w_2)$, with a constant boundary condition of $t w_1 w_2 = V_{em}$. We define a new Lagrange's function as

$$L = \gamma_0 w_1 w_2 + 2t(\gamma_{s1} w_1 + \gamma_{s2} w_2) - \lambda(V_{em} - t w_1 w_2), \quad (\text{A19})$$

where λ is a Lagrange's undetermined multiplier. We then derive the following simultaneous equations:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} = \gamma_0 w_2 + 2\gamma_{s1} t + \lambda t w_2 = 0, \quad (\text{A20a})$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_2} = \gamma_0 w_1 + 2\gamma_{s2} t + \lambda t w_1 = 0, \quad (\text{A20b})$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = 2(w_1 \gamma_{s1} + w_2 \gamma_{s2}) + \lambda w_1 w_2 = 0. \quad (\text{A20c})$$

By solving these equations, we obtain

$$w_1 = \frac{2\gamma_{s2} t}{\gamma_0}, \quad (\text{A21a})$$

$$w_2 = \frac{2\gamma_{s1} t}{\gamma_0}. \quad (\text{A21b})$$

These equations are independent of $\alpha(-\Delta G_R)$. Substituting the ideal relations

between w_1 and t (Eq. A21a) and between w_2 and t (Eq. A21b) into Eq. (A18),

we derive

$$\Delta G(t) = \frac{4\gamma_{S1}\gamma_{S2}\Delta G_R}{\gamma_0^2} t^3 + \frac{12\gamma_{S1}\gamma_{S2}}{\gamma_0} t^2. \quad (\text{A22})$$

This expression is a cubic function with respect to the thickness of the nuclei, and its appearance is similar to that in Fig. 2.

A1.5. Parallelepiped embryo

In a similar manner, we consider a parallelepiped embryo, which comprises three pairs of parallelograms (Fig. A1d). Note that this case is only applicable to tabular minerals. The lengths of the three edges are represented by $w_1 - w_3$ and the five angles between the edges are represented by $\theta_1 - \theta_5$. Lengths will vary during nucleation, whereas the angles are constants that are controlled by the crystallography of the nucleating mineral. The interface energies for each side are represented by γ_B , γ_T , γ_{S1} and γ_{S2} . We can express ΔG as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta G(w_1, w_2, w_3) = & (\gamma_B + \gamma_T) w_1 w_2 \sin \theta_4 + 2\gamma_{S2} w_2 w_3 \sin \theta_2 + 2\gamma_{S1} w_1 w_3 \sin \theta_5 \\ & + \Delta G_R w_1 w_2 w_3 \cos \theta_3 \sin \theta_4. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A23})$$

To minimise the interface energy at a given volume, we use Lagrange's method of the undetermined multiplier and define a Lagrange's function L as follows:

$$L = \gamma_0 w_1 w_2 \sin \theta_4 + 2\gamma_{S2} w_2 w_3 \sin \theta_2 + 2\gamma_{S1} w_1 w_3 \sin \theta_5 - \lambda (V_{em} - w_1 w_2 w_3 \cos \theta_3 \sin \theta_4), \quad (\text{A24})$$

where $\gamma_0 = \gamma_B + \gamma_T$ and V_{em} is the volume of the embryo. We then derive the following simultaneous equations:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} = \gamma_0 w_2 \sin \theta_4 + 2\gamma_{s1} w_3 \sin \theta_5 + \lambda w_2 w_3 \cos \theta_3 \sin \theta_4 = 0, \quad (\text{A25a})$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_2} = \gamma_0 w_1 \sin \theta_4 + 2\gamma_{s2} w_3 \sin \theta_2 + \lambda w_1 w_3 \cos \theta_3 \sin \theta_4 = 0, \quad (\text{A25b})$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_3} = 2\gamma_{s2} w_2 \sin \theta_2 + 2\gamma_{s1} w_1 \sin \theta_5 + \lambda w_1 w_2 \cos \theta_3 \sin \theta_4 = 0. \quad (\text{A25c})$$

By solving these equations, we obtain

$$w_1 = \frac{2\gamma_{s2} \sin \theta_2}{\gamma_0 \sin \theta_4} w_3, \quad (\text{A26a})$$

$$w_2 = \frac{2\gamma_{s1} \sin \theta_5}{\gamma_0 \sin \theta_4} w_3. \quad (\text{A26b})$$

Substituting these ideal values into Eq. (A26a and b) and Eq. (A23), we derive

$$\Delta G(w_3) = C_1 w_3^3 + C_2 w_3^2, \quad (\text{A27})$$

where

$$C_1 = \frac{4\gamma_{s1}\gamma_{s2} \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_3 \sin \theta_5 \cdot \Delta G_R}{\gamma_0^2 \sin \theta_4}, \quad (\text{A28a})$$

$$C_2 = \frac{4(\gamma_B + \gamma_T)\gamma_{s1}\gamma_{s2} \sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_5}{\gamma_0^2 \sin \theta_4} + \frac{8\gamma_{s1}\gamma_{s2} \sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_5}{\gamma_0 \sin \theta_4}. \quad (\text{A28b})$$

Thus, ΔG is a cubic function with respect to w_3 and its appearance is similar to that shown in Fig. 1c.

Appendix 2. The von Mises distribution

Circular data are well represented by the probability density function known as the von Mises distribution (e.g., von Mises, 1918; Mardia, 1972; Batchelet, 1981; Fisher, 1993), which is defined as

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{\pi I_0(\kappa)} \exp\left[\kappa \cos 2(\theta - \bar{\theta})\right], \quad (\text{A29})$$

where κ is the concentration parameter ($\kappa \geq 0$), θ is the angle from the mean orientation ($\bar{\theta}$), and $I_0(\kappa)$ is a modified Bessel function of the first kind. Therefore, we can derive:

$$I_0(\kappa) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r!^2 (r+1)} \left(\frac{\kappa}{2}\right)^{1+2r}, \quad (\text{A30})$$

where r is a dummy integer between 0 and ∞ . We chose $\bar{\theta} = 0$ when measuring the angle θ from the mean orientation $\bar{\theta}$. This simplifies the probability density function (Eq. (A29)) to

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{\pi I_0(\kappa)} \exp\left[\kappa \cos 2\theta\right]. \quad (\text{A31})$$

The pre-exponential term ($1/\pi I_0(\kappa)$) is added attached to satisfy

$$1 = \int_0^\pi f(\theta) d\theta. \quad (\text{A32})$$

As κ should be positive in Eq. (A31), a modification is required to account for a negative pre-cosine constant. Given that

$$\cos 2\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -\cos 2\theta, \quad (\text{A33})$$

we can derive, for example,

$$\exp\left(\kappa_n^- \cos 2\theta\right) = \exp\left[-\kappa_n^- \cos 2\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right], \quad (\text{A34})$$

which produces a positive $-\kappa_0^-$ value. Therefore, we use a similar conversion from θ to $\theta + \pi/2$ when the pre-cosine constant is negative.

Appendix 3. Derivation of nucleation-rate equations

As the derivation of Eqs. (27)–(29) from Eq. (13) is not straightforward, we describe it here in detail.

A3.1. x_1-x_2 plane

Substituting $n=0$, $l=\cos\varphi_1$, $m=\sin\varphi_1$, $\sigma_2=\psi\sigma_1+(1-\psi)\sigma_3$ and

$\sigma_1-\sigma_3=\Delta\sigma$ into Eq. (13), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(l, m, 0) &= A_0 \exp\left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2)\Delta V^*}{k_B T}\right] \\
 &= A_0 \exp\left\{-\frac{[\sigma_1 l^2 + (\psi\sigma_1 + (1-\psi)\sigma_3)m^2]\Delta V^*}{k_B T}\right\} \\
 &= A_0 \exp\left\{-\frac{[\sigma_1 l^2 + (\psi\sigma_1 + \sigma_3 - \psi\sigma_3)m^2]\Delta V^*}{k_B T}\right\} \\
 &= A_0 \exp\left\{-\frac{[\sigma_1 \cos^2\varphi_1 + (\psi\sigma_1 + \sigma_3 - \psi\sigma_3)\sin^2\varphi_1]\Delta V^*}{k_B T}\right\} \\
 &= A_0 \exp\left\{-\frac{\left[\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 + \psi\sigma_1 + \sigma_3 - \psi\sigma_3) + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 - \psi\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 + \psi\sigma_3)\cos 2\varphi_1\right]\Delta V^*}{k_B T}\right\} \\
 &= A_0 \exp\left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 + \psi\sigma_1 + \sigma_3 - \psi\sigma_3)\Delta V^*}{2k_B T}\right] \exp\left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 - \psi\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 + \psi\sigma_3)\cos 2\varphi_1 \Delta V^*}{2k_B T}\right] \\
 &= A_0 \exp\left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 + \psi\sigma_1 + \sigma_3 - \psi\sigma_3)\Delta V^*}{2k_B T}\right] \exp\left[-\frac{(1-\psi)(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)\cos 2\varphi_1 \Delta V^*}{2k_B T}\right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= A_{13} \exp \left[-\frac{(1-\psi)\Delta\sigma \cdot \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \cos 2\varphi_1 \right] \\
&= A_3 \exp \left[(\psi-1)\kappa_n^\pm \cos 2\varphi_1 \right], \tag{A35}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\kappa_n^\pm = \frac{\Delta\sigma \cdot \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \tag{A36}$$

and

$$A_3 = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 + \psi\sigma_1 + \sigma_3 - \psi\sigma_3)\Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right]. \tag{A37}$$

Thus, to assign positive pre-cosine factors, Eq. (A35) is written separately for columnar and platy minerals by using κ_n^+ and κ_n^- (Eq. (21)) as follows:

$$I(\varphi_1) = A_3 \exp \left[(1-\psi)\kappa_n^+ \cos 2 \left(\varphi_1 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right] \quad (\text{columnar minerals}) \tag{A38a}$$

$$I(\varphi_1) = A_3 \exp \left[(\psi-1)\kappa_n^- \cos 2\varphi_1 \right]. \quad (\text{platy minerals}) \tag{A38b}$$

A3.2. $x_2 - x_3$ plane

Substituting $I = 0$, $n = \cos \varphi_3$, $m = \sin \varphi_3$, $\sigma_2 = \psi\sigma_1 + (1-\psi)\sigma_3$ and

$\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 = \Delta\sigma$ into Eq. (13), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
I(0, m, n) &= A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right] \\
&= A_0 \exp \left\{ -\frac{\left[(\psi \sigma_1 + (1 - \psi) \sigma_3) m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2 \right] \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right\} \\
&= A_0 \exp \left\{ -\frac{\left[(\psi \sigma_1 + \sigma_3 - \psi \sigma_3) \sin^2 \varphi_3 + \sigma_3 \cos^2 \varphi_3 \right] \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right\} \\
&= A_0 \exp \left\{ -\frac{\left[\frac{1}{2} (\psi \sigma_1 + 2\sigma_3 - \psi \sigma_3) + \frac{1}{2} (\psi \sigma_3 - \psi \sigma_1) \cos 2\varphi_3 \right] \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right\} \\
&= A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\psi \sigma_1 + 2\sigma_3 - \psi \sigma_3) \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right] \exp \left\{ \frac{\psi (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) \cos 2\varphi_3 \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right\} \\
&= A_1 \exp \left\{ \frac{\psi \cdot \Delta \sigma \cdot \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \cos 2\varphi_3 \right\} \\
&= A_1 \exp \left(\psi \cdot \kappa_n^+ \cos 2\varphi_3 \right) \tag{A39}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$A_1 = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\psi \sigma_1 + 2\sigma_3 - \psi \sigma_3) \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right]. \tag{A40}$$

Equation (A39) is written separately for columnar and platy minerals, as follows:

$$I(\varphi_3) = A_1 \exp \left(\psi \kappa_n^+ \cos 2\varphi_3 \right), \quad (\text{columnar minerals}) \tag{A41a}$$

$$I(\varphi_3) = A_1 \exp \left[-\psi \kappa_n^- \cos 2 \left(\varphi_3 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right]. \quad (\text{platy minerals}) \tag{A41b}$$

A3.3. $x_3 - x_1$ plane

Substituting $m=0$, $l = \cos \varphi_1$, $n = \sin \varphi_1$, $\sigma_2 = \psi \sigma_1 + (1-\psi)\sigma_3$ and

$\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 = \Delta\sigma$ into Eq. (13), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(l, 0, n) &= A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right] \\
 &= A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 \cos^2 \varphi_1 + \sigma_3 \sin^2 \varphi_1) \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right] \\
 &= A_0 \exp \left\{ -\frac{\left[\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) \cos 2\varphi_1 \right] \Delta V^*}{k_B T} \right\} \\
 &= A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right] \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) \Delta V^* \cos 2\varphi_1}{2k_B T} \right] \\
 &= A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right] \exp \left(-\frac{\Delta\sigma \cdot \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \cos 2\varphi_1 \right) \\
 &= A_{13} \exp \left[\kappa_n^\pm \cos 2 \left(\varphi_1 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right], \quad (\text{A42})
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$A_{13} = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3) \Delta V^*}{2k_B T} \right]. \quad (\text{A43})$$

Equation (A42) is written separately for columnar and platy minerals, as follows:

$$I(\varphi_1) = A_{13} \exp \left[\kappa_n^+ \cos 2 \left(\varphi_1 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right], \quad (\text{columnar minerals}) \quad (\text{A44a})$$

$$I(\varphi_1) = A_{13} \exp \left(-\kappa_n^- \cos 2\varphi_1 \right). \quad (\text{platy minerals}) \quad (\text{A44b})$$

Appendix 4. Direction cosines and stereographic projection

Stereographic projection is performed using α and β angles (Fig. 2b and c). Thus, we require a translation between two sets of angles. Figure 2a and b presents schematic diagrams showing the same feature defined by different sets of angles. We use an upper-hemisphere stereographic projection; however, the two hemispheres of the projection are equivalent due to the symmetry of the nucleation-rate equation with respect to the three coordinate axes. As

$\beta = 90^\circ - \varphi_1$ (Fig. 2b), we can express (l, m, n) in terms of α and β as follows:

$$l = \cos \alpha \cos \beta, \quad (\text{A45a})$$

$$m = \sin \beta, \quad (\text{A45b})$$

$$n = \sin \alpha \cos \beta. \quad (\text{A45c})$$

Appendix 5. Contours on stereographic projections

A5.1. Columnar minerals

We derive an equation in terms of stereographic angles (α and β) that produce identical nucleation rates for all columnar minerals. We define d ($0 < d < 1$) as

$$d = \frac{I(l, m, n)}{I(0, 0, 1)}, \quad (\text{A46})$$

which can be used to derive the following simple equation:

$$\begin{aligned} d = \frac{I(l, m, n)}{I(0, 0, 1)} &= \frac{A_0 \exp\left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2)\Delta V^+}{k_B T}\right]}{A_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma_3 \Delta V^+}{k_B T}\right)} \\ &= \exp\left[-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2 - \sigma_3)\Delta V^+}{k_B T}\right] \\ &= \exp\left\{\frac{[-\sigma_1 l^2 - \sigma_2 m^2 + (1 - n^2)\sigma_3]\Delta V^+}{k_B T}\right\} \\ &= \exp\left\{\frac{[-\sigma_1 l^2 - \sigma_2 m^2 + (l^2 + m^2)\sigma_3]\Delta V^+}{k_B T}\right\} \\ &= \exp\left\{-\frac{[\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 - (l^2 + m^2)\sigma_3]\Delta V^+}{k_B T}\right\} \\ &= \exp\left\{-\frac{[(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)l^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)m^2]\Delta V^+}{k_B T}\right\} \\ &= \exp\left\{-\frac{[(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)l^2 + \psi(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)m^2]\Delta V^+}{k_B T}\right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \exp \left\{ - \frac{[(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)(I^2 + \psi m^2)] \Delta V^+}{k_B T} \right\}. \quad (\text{A47})$$

Thus, we derive

$$\frac{1}{d} = \exp \left[\frac{(I^2 + \psi m^2) \Delta \sigma \cdot \Delta V^+}{k_B T} \right], \quad (\text{A48})$$

and, by taking the natural logarithm of both sides, we obtain

$$\ln \left(\frac{1}{d} \right) = \frac{(I^2 + \psi m^2) \Delta \sigma \cdot \Delta V^+}{k_B T}. \quad (\text{A49})$$

Thus,

$$\frac{k_B T}{\Delta \sigma \cdot \Delta V^+} \ln \left(\frac{1}{d} \right) = I^2 + \psi m^2. \quad (\text{A50})$$

The above equation is rewritten in terms of α and β (Appendix 4 in this online supplementary material) as follows:

$$\frac{k_B T}{\Delta \sigma \cdot \Delta V^+} \ln \left(\frac{1}{d} \right) = \cos^2 \alpha \cos^2 \beta + \psi \sin^2 \beta. \quad (\text{A51})$$

As $\kappa_n^+ = \Delta \sigma \cdot \Delta V^+ / 2k_B T$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ln(1/d)}{2\kappa_n^+} &= \cos^2 \alpha \cos^2 \beta + \psi \sin^2 \beta \\ &= \cos^2 \alpha \cos^2 \beta + \psi(1 - \cos^2 \beta) \\ &= \cos^2 \alpha \cos^2 \beta + \psi - \psi \cos^2 \beta \\ &= (\cos^2 \alpha - \psi) \cos^2 \beta + \psi. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A52})$$

Thus, we derive

$$\frac{\ln(1/d)}{2\kappa_n^+} - \psi = (\cos^2 \alpha - \psi) \cos^2 \beta. \quad (\text{A53})$$

From this, we have

$$\cos^2 \beta = \frac{\left[\frac{\ln(1/d)}{2\kappa_n^+} - \psi \right]}{\cos^2 \alpha - \psi}, \quad (\text{A54})$$

which allows us to derive an equation to calculate β :

$$\cos \beta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\left[\frac{\ln(1/d)}{2\kappa_n^+} - \psi \right]}{\cos^2 \alpha - \psi}}. \quad (\text{A55})$$

A5.2. *Platy minerals*

We derive an equation in terms of α and β that produces identical nucleation rates for all platy minerals. We define d ($0 < d < 1$) to represent the proportion of the nucleation rate at (l, m, n) with respect to the maximum nucleation rate, as follows:

$$d = \frac{I(l, m, n)}{I(1, 0, 0)}, \quad (\text{A56})$$

which allows the derivation of the following simple equation:

$$d = \frac{I(l, m, n)}{I(1, 0, 0)} = \frac{A_0 \exp\left(-\frac{(\sigma_1 l^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \Delta V^-}{k_B T}\right)}{A_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma_1 \Delta V^-}{k_B T}\right)}$$

$$= \exp \left\{ \frac{\Delta V^-}{k_B T} \left[-(\sigma_1 I^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) + \sigma_1 \right] \right\}. \quad (\text{A57})$$

Taking the natural logarithm of both sides, we have

$$\ln d = \frac{\Delta V^-}{k_B T} \left[-(\sigma_1 I^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) + \sigma_1 \right]. \quad (\text{A58})$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{k_B T}{\Delta V^-} \ln d &= \sigma_1 - (\sigma_1 I^2 + \sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \\ &= \sigma_1 (1 - I^2) - (\sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \\ &= \sigma_1 (m^2 + n^2) - (\sigma_2 m^2 + \sigma_3 n^2) \\ &= (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) m^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) n^2 \\ &= (1 - \psi) (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) m^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) n^2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A59})$$

Therefore, we have

$$\frac{k_B T}{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3) \Delta V^-} \ln d = (1 - \psi) m^2 + n^2. \quad (\text{A60})$$

Orientations (I, m, n) can be expressed in terms of α and β as $\cos \alpha \cdot \cos \beta$, $\sin \beta$ and $\sin \alpha \cdot \cos \beta$, respectively (Eq. (A29)). Thus, by using $\Delta \sigma = \sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ we obtain

$$\frac{k_B T}{\Delta \sigma_1 \cdot \Delta V^-} \ln d = (1 - \psi) \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \alpha \cdot \cos^2 \beta. \quad (\text{A61})$$

As $\kappa_n^- = \Delta \sigma \cdot \Delta V^- / 2k_B T$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ln d}{2\kappa_n^-} &= (1 - \psi) \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \alpha \cdot \cos^2 \beta \\ &= (1 - \psi)(1 - \cos^2 \beta) + \sin^2 \alpha \cdot \cos^2 \beta \\ &= (1 - \psi) - (1 - \psi) \cos^2 \beta + \sin^2 \alpha \cdot \cos^2 \beta \\ &= (1 - \psi) + (\sin^2 \alpha + \psi - 1) \cos^2 \beta \\ &= (1 - \psi) + (\psi - \cos^2 \alpha) \cos^2 \beta. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A62})$$

Finally, we derive

$$\frac{\ln d}{2\kappa_n^-} + (\psi - 1) = (\psi - \cos^2 \alpha) \cos^2 \beta. \quad (\text{A63})$$

From this, we derive

$$\cos^2 \beta = \frac{\left[\frac{\ln d}{2\kappa_n^-} + (\psi - 1) \right]}{\psi - \cos^2 \alpha}. \quad (\text{A64})$$

Thus, we can calculate β using

$$\cos \beta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\left[\frac{\ln d}{2\kappa_n^-} + (\psi - 1) \right]}{\psi - \cos^2 \alpha}}. \quad (\text{A65})$$

A5.3. Graphical projection of contours

Contours derived from our analysis were drawn on equal-area stereographic diagrams using the following equations, with reference to the horizontal (x) and

vertical (y) axes:

$$x = R\sqrt{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\beta}{2}\right) \cdot \sin \alpha, \quad (\text{A66a})$$

$$y = R\sqrt{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\beta}{2}\right) \cdot \cos \alpha, \quad (\text{A66b})$$

where R is the radius of the stereographic projection diagram (e.g., Hobbs et al., 1976, p. 499). In our analysis, we define $R = 1$.

For columnar minerals, β is given from Eq. (A55) as follows:

$$\beta = \cos^{-1} \left[\pm \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\ln(1/d)}{2\kappa_n^+} - \psi}{\cos^2 \alpha - \psi}} \right]. \quad (\text{A67})$$

Thus, x and y can be expressed in terms of ψ , κ_n^+ and d as

$$x = \sqrt{2} \sin \left\{ \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} \left[\pm \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\ln(1/d)}{2\kappa_n^+} - \psi}{\cos^2 \alpha - \psi}} \right] \right\} \cdot \sin \alpha \quad (\text{A68a})$$

$$y = \sqrt{2} \sin \left\{ \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} \left[\pm \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\ln(1/d)}{2\kappa_n^+} - \psi}{\cos^2 \alpha - \psi}} \right] \right\} \cdot \cos \alpha. \quad (\text{A68b})$$

Therefore, we can draw contours with any ψ and κ_n^+ values, as a function of d in $x-y$ space.

For platy minerals, β is derived from Eq. (A65) as follows:

$$\beta = \cos^{-1} \left(\pm \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\ln d}{2\kappa_n^-} + \psi - 1}{\psi - \cos^2 \alpha}} \right). \quad (\text{A69})$$

Thus, we have

$$x = \sqrt{2} \sin \left\{ \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos^{-1} \left(\pm \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\ln d}{2\kappa_n^-} + \psi - 1}{\psi - \cos^2 \alpha}} \right) \right] \right\} \cdot \sin \alpha \quad (\text{A70a})$$

$$y = \sqrt{2} \sin \left\{ \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos^{-1} \left(\pm \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\ln d}{2\kappa_n^-} + \psi - 1}{\psi - \cos^2 \alpha}} \right) \right] \right\} \cdot \cos \alpha. \quad (\text{A70b})$$

These parametric expressions are used to draw contours at any d value.

It is noted that upper- and lower-hemisphere projections for both columnar and platy minerals result in identical patterns of d at any κ_n^\pm and ψ thanks to the symmetric rule.

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