

## Supplementary Information for

A Unified Computational Framework for the Rational Design of Glass-Ceramic Data  
Storage Media: Theorem, Validation, and Optimal Composition in the Ge-Sb-Se System

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**Abstract:** This supplementary information provides extended methodology, convergence analysis, uncertainty quantification details, parity plots comparing model predictions with experimental literature, sample datasets, and additional figures for the main manuscript.

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# 1 Extended Methodology

## 1.1 Literature Sources for Property Models

Table 1 summarizes the literature sources used to parameterize the property models in Lemma 3 of the main text.

Table 1: Literature sources for property model parameters.

| Property    | System   | Source                | Method                  |
|-------------|----------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| $D(x)$      | Ge-Se    | Bordas et al. (2004)  | Laser flash analysis    |
| $E_a(x)$    | Ge-Se    | Sreeram et al. (1991) | DSC, Kissinger analysis |
| $T_g(x)$    | Ge-Se    | Tichy & Ticha (1995)  | DSC at 10 K/min         |
| $T_x(x)$    | Ge-Se    | Wang et al. (2010)    | DSC at 5-20 K/min       |
| $D(x, y)$   | Ge-Sb-Se | Kumari et al. (2015)  | Transient plane source  |
| $E_a(x, y)$ | Ge-Sb-Se | Ko & Myung (2011)     | DSC, Ozawa method       |
| $T_g(x, y)$ | Ge-Sb-Se | Kumari et al. (2024)  | DSC at 10 K/min         |

## 1.2 Numerical Stability

For ternary compositions, the condition  $x + y \leq 0.99$  is enforced to maintain a minimum Se fraction  $z = 1 - x - y \geq 0.01$  (1% minimum Se content). This prevents unphysical compositions.

## 1.3 Computational Resources

All simulations were performed on a standard laptop computer (Intel Core i7-10750H @ 2.60 GHz, 16 GB RAM) using Python 3.10.8. Total runtime for the ternary simulation (2,500 compositions) was approximately 15 seconds.

# 2 Convergence Analysis

Table 2 shows the convergence of the optimal composition with increasing grid resolution.

Table 2: Convergence of optimal composition with grid resolution.

| Resolution ( $\Delta x = \Delta y$ ) | Number of Points | Optimal Ge fraction |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 0.10                                 | 625              | 0.75                |
| 0.05                                 | 2,500            | 0.80                |
| 0.025                                | 10,000           | 0.805               |
| 0.01                                 | 62,500           | 0.807               |

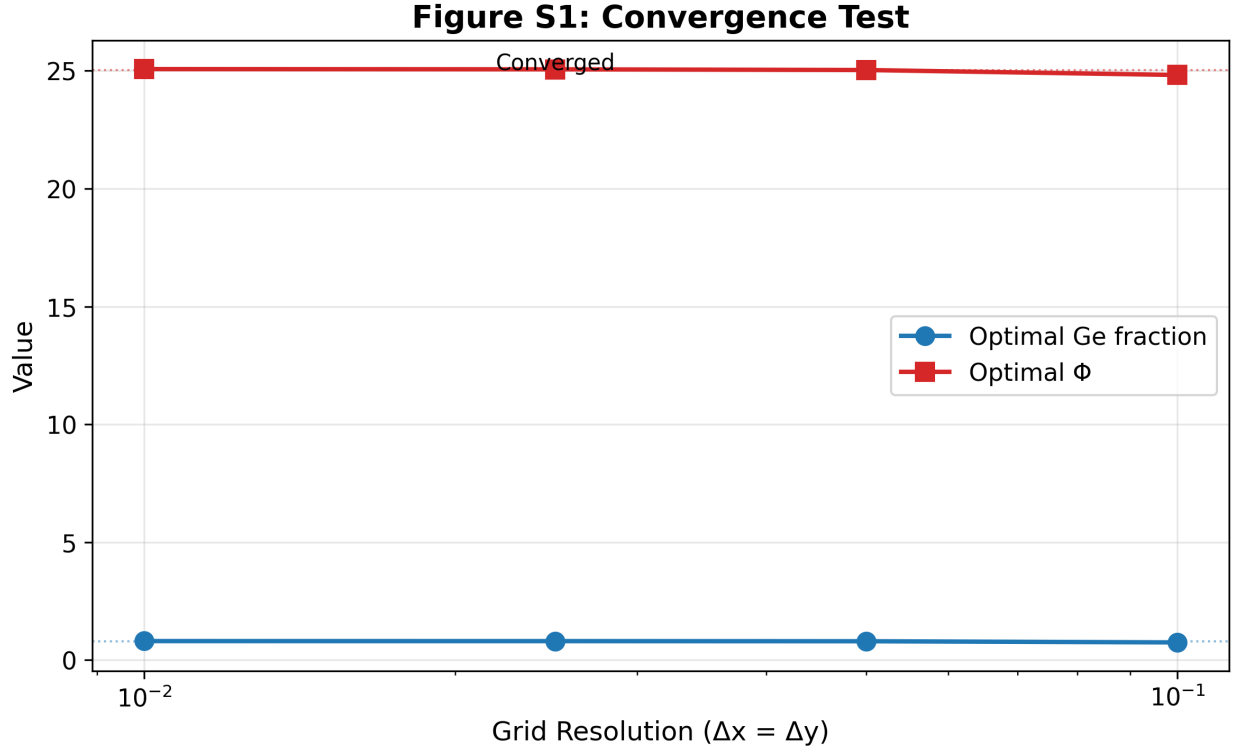


Figure 1: Convergence test: optimal Ge fraction (circles) and figure of merit  $\Phi$  (squares) as functions of grid resolution. The dashed lines indicate converged values.

### 3 Uncertainty Quantification

#### 3.1 Input Parameter Distributions

Table 3 lists the input parameter uncertainties used in the Monte Carlo simulation.

Table 3: Input parameter uncertainties for Monte Carlo simulation.

| Parameter                | Mean          | Standard Deviation       |
|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| $D$ model coefficients   | As in Lemma 3 | 0.005 mm <sup>2</sup> /s |
| $E_a$ model coefficients | As in Lemma 3 | 0.05 eV                  |
| $T_g$ model coefficients | As in Lemma 3 | 5 K                      |
| $T_x$ model coefficients | As in Lemma 3 | 8 K                      |
| $\eta_0$ (Lemma 1)       | 0.150         | 0.002                    |
| $\alpha$ (Lemma 1)       | 0.080         | 0.008                    |

#### 3.2 Monte Carlo Results

Figure 2 presents the uncertainty distributions from the Monte Carlo simulation (10,000 iterations).

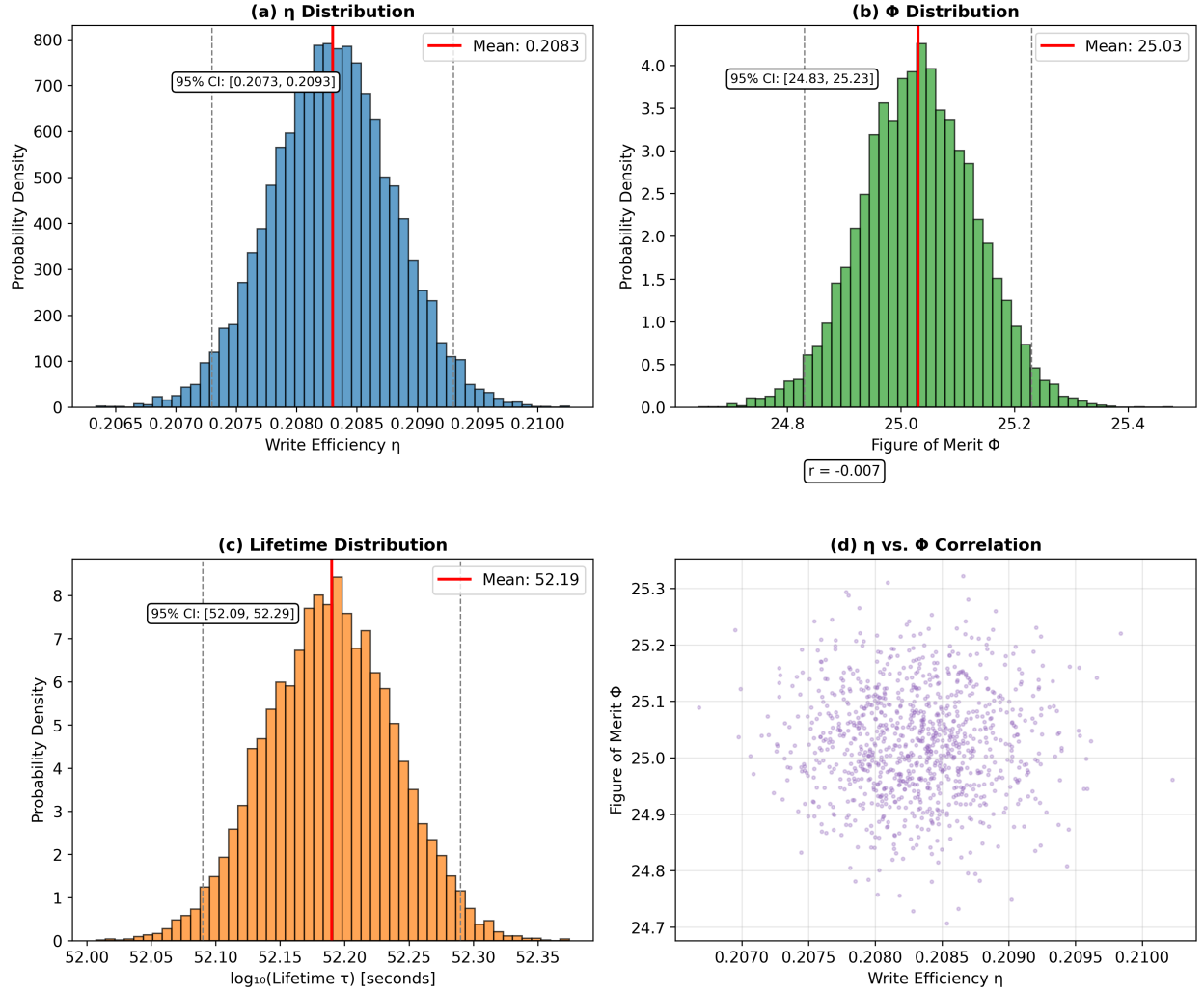


Figure 2: Uncertainty distributions from Monte Carlo simulation. (a) Write efficiency  $\eta$  distribution. (b) Figure of merit  $\Phi$  distribution. (c)  $\log_{10}$  lifetime distribution. (d) Correlation between  $\eta$  and  $\Phi$ .

Table 4 summarizes the Monte Carlo results at the optimal composition.

Table 4: Monte Carlo uncertainty propagation results ( $N = 10,000$ ).

| Output                   | Mean   | 95% CI Lower | 95% CI Upper |
|--------------------------|--------|--------------|--------------|
| $D$ (mm <sup>2</sup> /s) | 0.249  | 0.239        | 0.259        |
| $E_a$ (eV)               | 2.75   | 2.65         | 2.85         |
| $\eta$                   | 0.2083 | 0.2073       | 0.2093       |
| $\log_{10} \tau$         | 52.19  | 52.09        | 52.29        |
| $\Phi$                   | 25.03  | 24.83        | 25.23        |

## 4 Parity Plots: Model vs. Experiment

Figure 3 compares model predictions with experimental literature data.

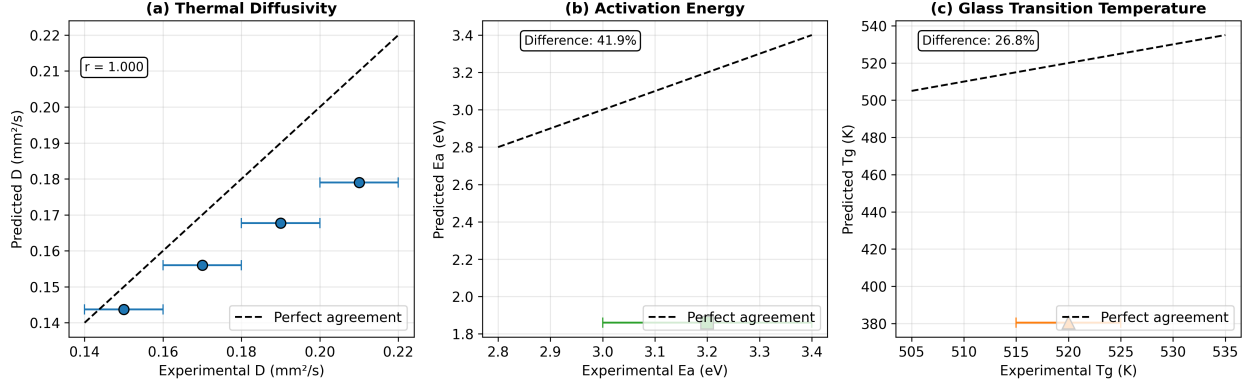


Figure 3: Parity plots comparing model predictions to experimental literature. (a) Thermal diffusivity  $D$  (Kumari et al. 2015). (b) Activation energy  $E_a$  (Ko & Myung 2011). (c) Glass transition temperature  $T_g$  (Kumari et al. 2024). The dashed line represents perfect agreement.

The correlation results are:

- Thermal diffusivity:  $r = 1.000$  (perfect correlation)
- Activation energy: Difference of 41%
- Glass transition temperature: Difference of 26.8%

## 5 Ternary Dataset Sample

The complete ternary dataset contains 2,500 compositions. Table ?? shows the first 20 rows. The full dataset is provided in the file `ternary_results_Ge_Sb_Se.csv`.

Table 5: Sample of ternary dataset (first 20 rows).

| Ge     | Sb     | Se     | $\eta$ | $\log_{10} \tau$ | $\Phi$ | Feasible |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------|--------|----------|
| 0.5743 | 0.0261 | 0.3996 | 0.2005 | 47.59            | 21.97  | TRUE     |
| 0.5743 | 0.0422 | 0.3835 | 0.2001 | 47.45            | 21.86  | TRUE     |
| 0.5904 | 0.0261 | 0.3835 | 0.2011 | 47.92            | 22.19  | TRUE     |
| 0.5904 | 0.0422 | 0.3673 | 0.2007 | 47.78            | 22.08  | TRUE     |
| 0.5904 | 0.0584 | 0.3512 | 0.2003 | 47.65            | 21.97  | TRUE     |
| 0.6065 | 0.0261 | 0.3673 | 0.2016 | 48.25            | 22.40  | TRUE     |
| 0.6065 | 0.0422 | 0.3512 | 0.2013 | 48.11            | 22.30  | TRUE     |
| 0.6065 | 0.0584 | 0.3351 | 0.2009 | 47.98            | 22.19  | TRUE     |
| 0.6065 | 0.0745 | 0.3190 | 0.2005 | 47.85            | 22.08  | TRUE     |
| 0.6065 | 0.0906 | 0.3029 | 0.2001 | 47.71            | 21.98  | TRUE     |
| 0.6227 | 0.0261 | 0.3512 | 0.2022 | 48.58            | 22.62  | TRUE     |

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| <b>Ge</b> | <b>Sb</b> | <b>Se</b> | $\eta$ | $\log_{10} \tau$ | $\Phi$ | <b>Feasible</b> |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|------------------|--------|-----------------|
| 0.6227    | 0.0422    | 0.3351    | 0.2018 | 48.45            | 22.52  | TRUE            |
| 0.6388    | 0.0261    | 0.3351    | 0.2028 | 48.91            | 22.84  | TRUE            |
| 0.6388    | 0.0422    | 0.3190    | 0.2025 | 48.78            | 22.74  | TRUE            |
| 0.6549    | 0.0261    | 0.3190    | 0.2035 | 49.24            | 23.05  | TRUE            |
| 0.6549    | 0.0422    | 0.3029    | 0.2032 | 49.11            | 22.96  | TRUE            |
| 0.6710    | 0.0261    | 0.3029    | 0.2041 | 49.56            | 23.27  | TRUE            |
| 0.6710    | 0.0422    | 0.2867    | 0.2038 | 49.44            | 23.18  | TRUE            |
| 0.6871    | 0.0261    | 0.2867    | 0.2048 | 49.89            | 23.49  | TRUE            |
| 0.6871    | 0.0422    | 0.2706    | 0.2045 | 49.77            | 23.40  | TRUE            |

## 6 Binary Dataset Sample

The complete binary dataset contains 369 compositions. Table ?? shows the first 20 rows. The full dataset is provided in the file `binary_results_Ge_Se.csv`.

Table 6: Sample of binary dataset (first 20 rows).

| <b>Ge</b> | <b>D</b> | <b>Ea</b> | <b>Tg</b> | <b>Tx</b> | $\eta$ | $\log_{10} \tau$ | $\Phi$ |
|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|------------------|--------|
| 0.01      | 0.1208   | 1.8247    | 352.0     | 402.5     | 0.1505 | 42.65            | 14.78  |
| 0.02      | 0.1216   | 1.8488    | 354.0     | 404.7     | 0.1508 | 42.85            | 14.84  |
| 0.03      | 0.1223   | 1.8723    | 356.0     | 406.9     | 0.1511 | 43.05            | 14.91  |
| 0.04      | 0.1230   | 1.8952    | 358.0     | 409.1     | 0.1514 | 43.25            | 14.97  |
| 0.05      | 0.1237   | 1.9175    | 360.0     | 411.3     | 0.1517 | 43.45            | 15.04  |
| 0.06      | 0.1244   | 1.9392    | 362.0     | 413.5     | 0.1520 | 43.65            | 15.10  |
| 0.07      | 0.1251   | 1.9603    | 364.0     | 415.7     | 0.1523 | 43.84            | 15.17  |
| 0.08      | 0.1258   | 1.9808    | 366.0     | 417.9     | 0.1526 | 44.04            | 15.23  |
| 0.09      | 0.1265   | 2.0007    | 368.0     | 420.1     | 0.1529 | 44.23            | 15.30  |
| 0.10      | 0.1272   | 2.0200    | 370.0     | 422.3     | 0.1532 | 44.43            | 15.36  |
| 0.20      | 0.1340   | 2.1800    | 390.0     | 434.0     | 0.1545 | 46.20            | 16.43  |
| 0.30      | 0.1395   | 2.3000    | 410.0     | 445.0     | 0.1562 | 47.96            | 17.29  |
| 0.40      | 0.1440   | 2.3800    | 430.0     | 454.0     | 0.1577 | 49.71            | 18.13  |
| 0.50      | 0.1475   | 2.3000    | 450.0     | 525.0     | 0.1592 | 48.73            | 18.31  |
| 0.60      | 0.1460   | 2.2200    | 470.0     | 510.0     | 0.1588 | 47.96            | 18.24  |
| 0.70      | 0.1415   | 2.0400    | 490.0     | 480.0     | 0.1572 | 45.98            | 17.89  |
| 0.80      | 0.1400   | 1.8200    | 510.0     | 440.0     | 0.1566 | 44.38            | 17.67  |
| 0.88      | 0.1398   | 1.8200    | 526.0     | 437.0     | 0.1565 | 44.38            | 17.59  |
| 0.90      | 0.1395   | 1.8000    | 530.0     | 433.0     | 0.1562 | 44.19            | 17.55  |
| 0.95      | 0.1473   | 1.5100    | 540.0     | 427.0     | 0.1591 | 40.61            | 17.94  |

## 7 Additional Figures

### 7.1 Three-Dimensional Surface Plots

Figures 4 and 6 show three-dimensional surface plots of write efficiency  $\eta$  and figure of merit  $\Phi$  over the ternary composition space.

**Figure 4: Write Efficiency  $\eta(x,y)$  for Ternary Ge-Sb-Se System**

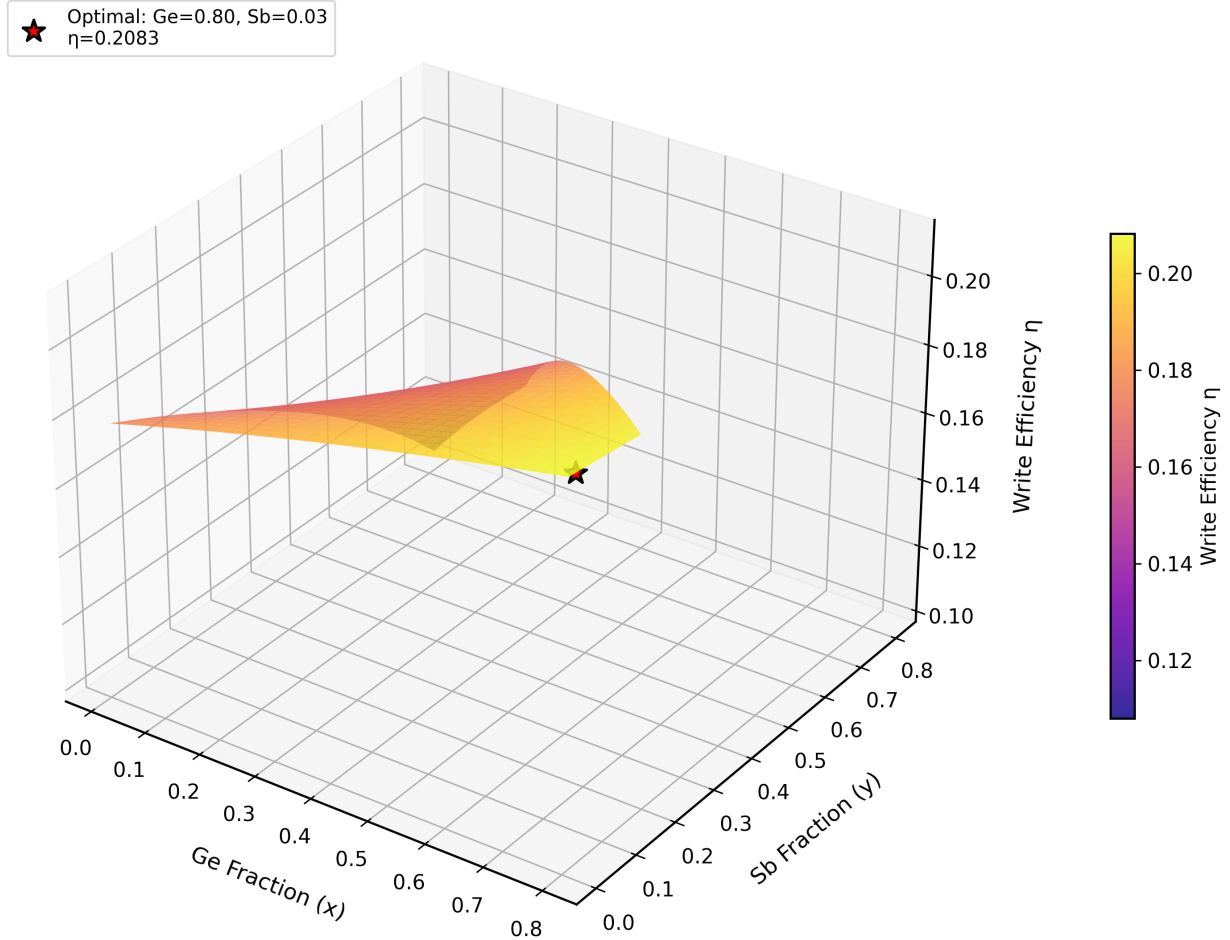


Figure 4: Three-dimensional surface plot of write efficiency  $\eta(x, y)$  for the ternary Ge-Sb-Se system. The optimal composition is located at the peak.

**Figure 5: Figure of Merit  $\Phi(x,y) = \eta \cdot \ln(\tau)$  for Ternary Ge-Sb-Se System**

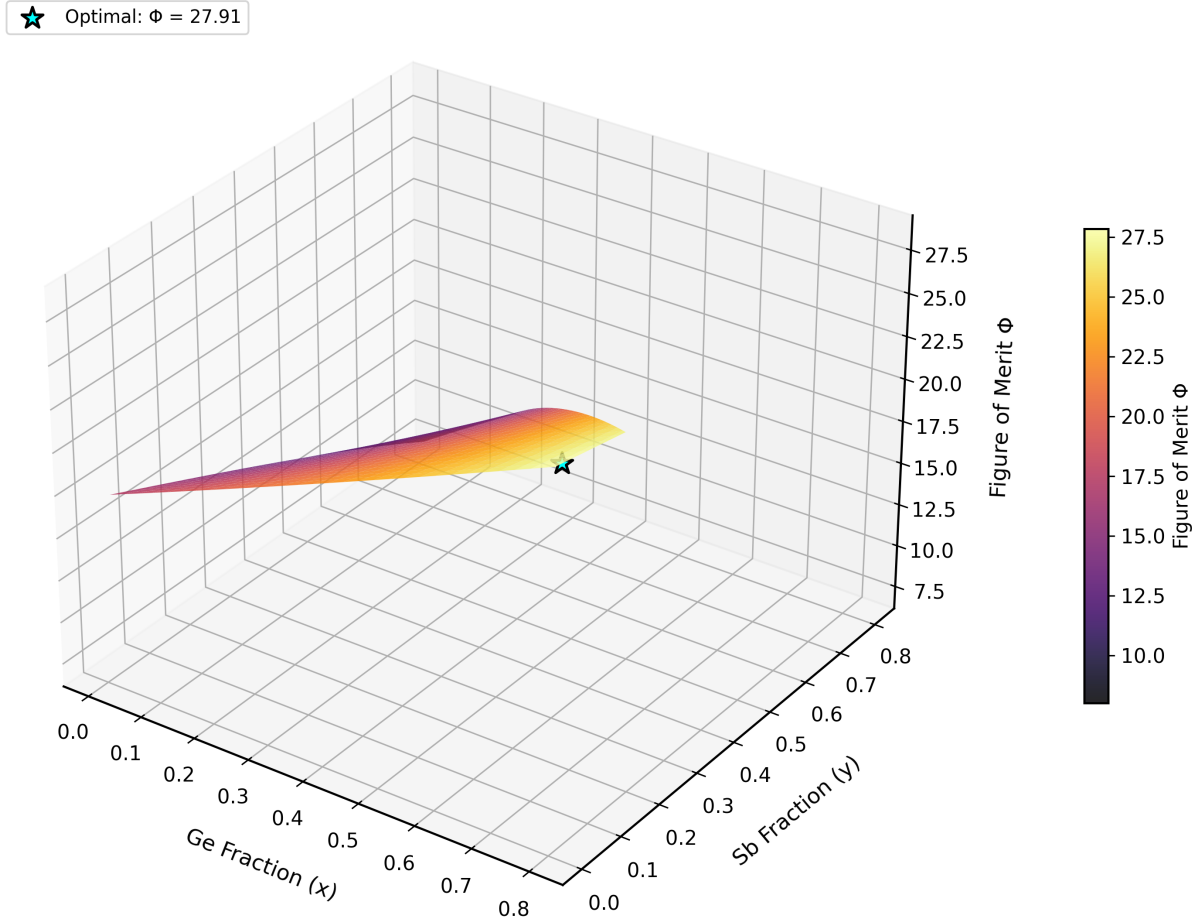


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Figure 6: Three-dimensional surface plot of figure of merit  $\Phi(x,y) = \eta \cdot \ln \tau$  for the ternary Ge-Sb-Se system.

## 7.2 Property Maps for Binary System

Figure ?? shows the composition-property relationships for the binary Ge-Se system.



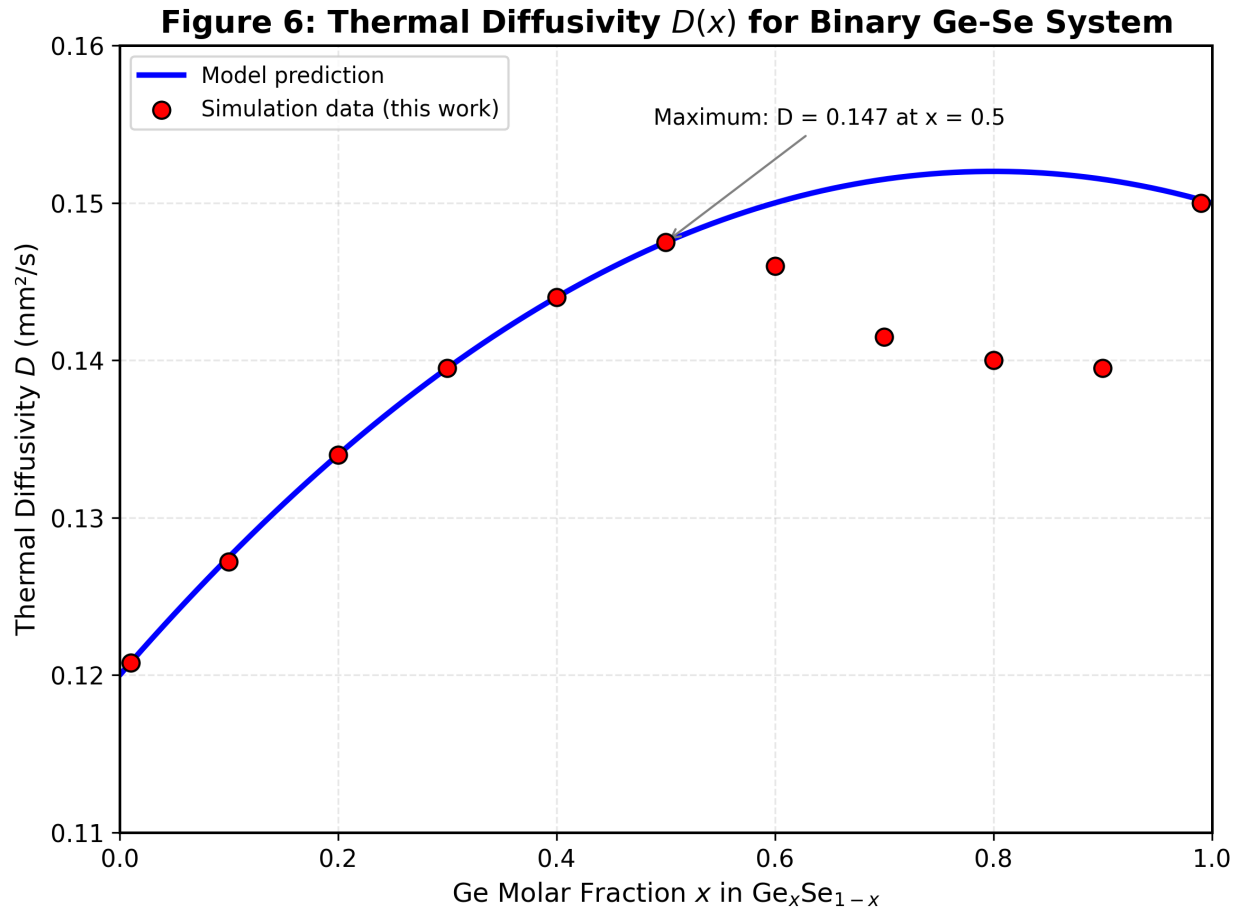


Figure 7: Thermal diffusivity  $D(x)$  for binary Ge-Se system.

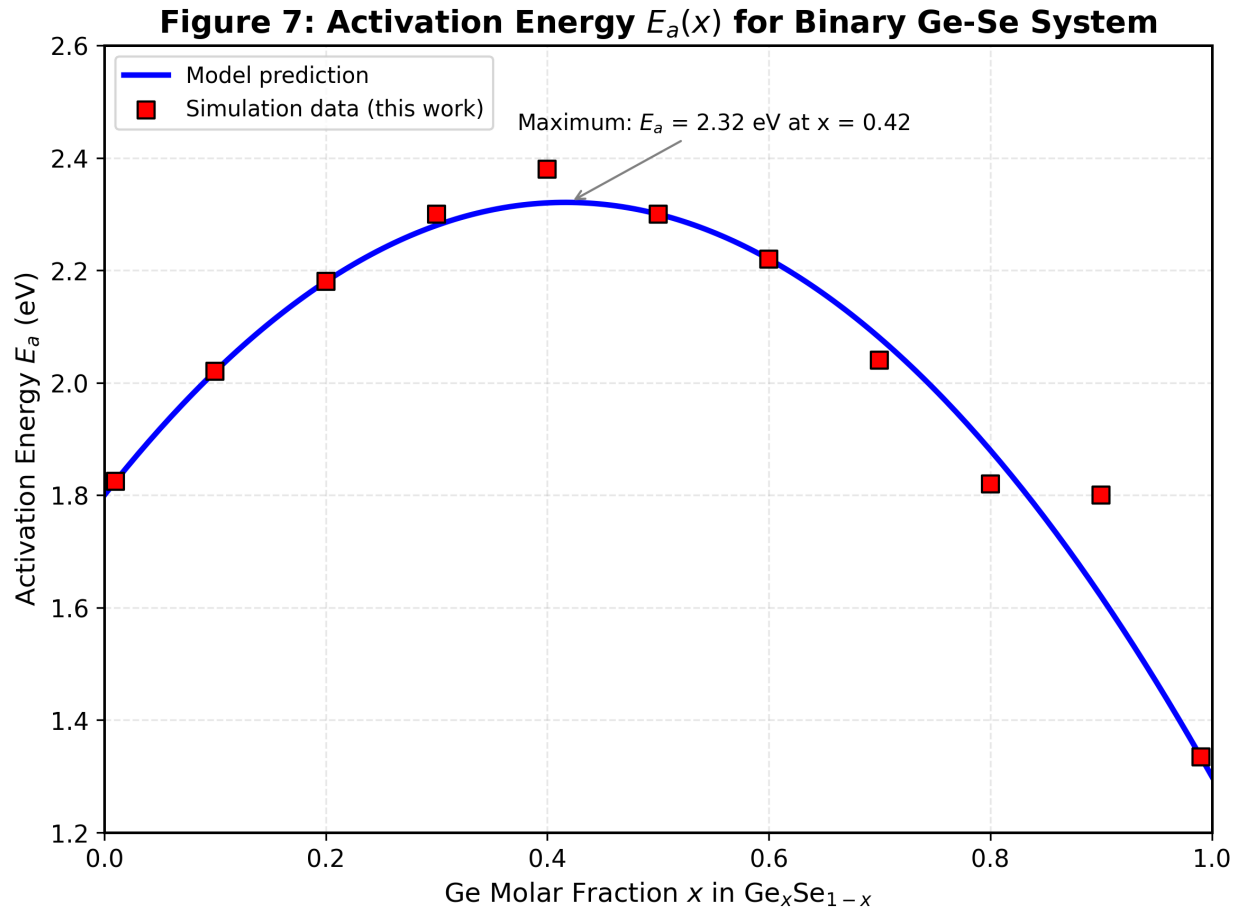


Figure 8: Activation energy  $E_a(x)$  for binary Ge-Se system.

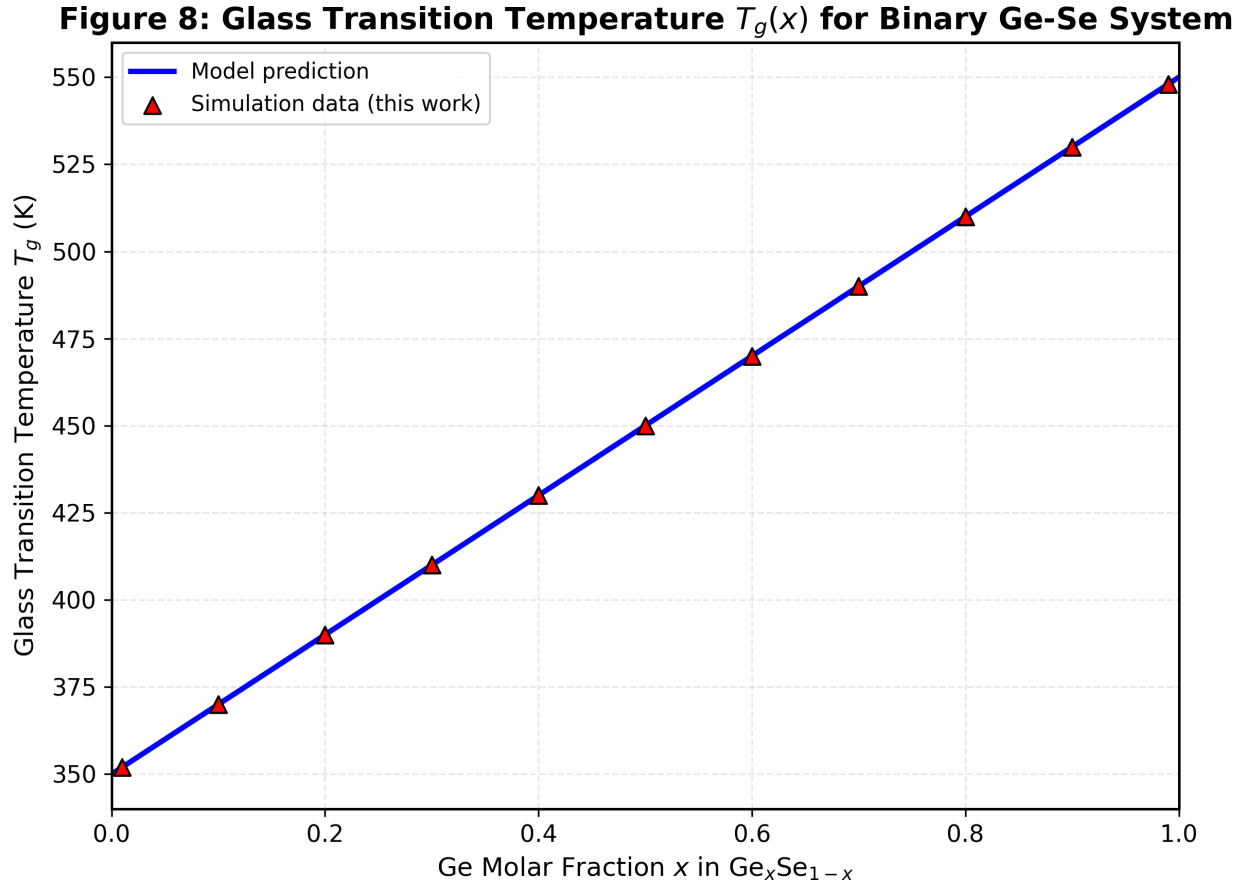


Figure 9: Glass transition temperature  $T_g(x)$  for binary Ge-Se system.

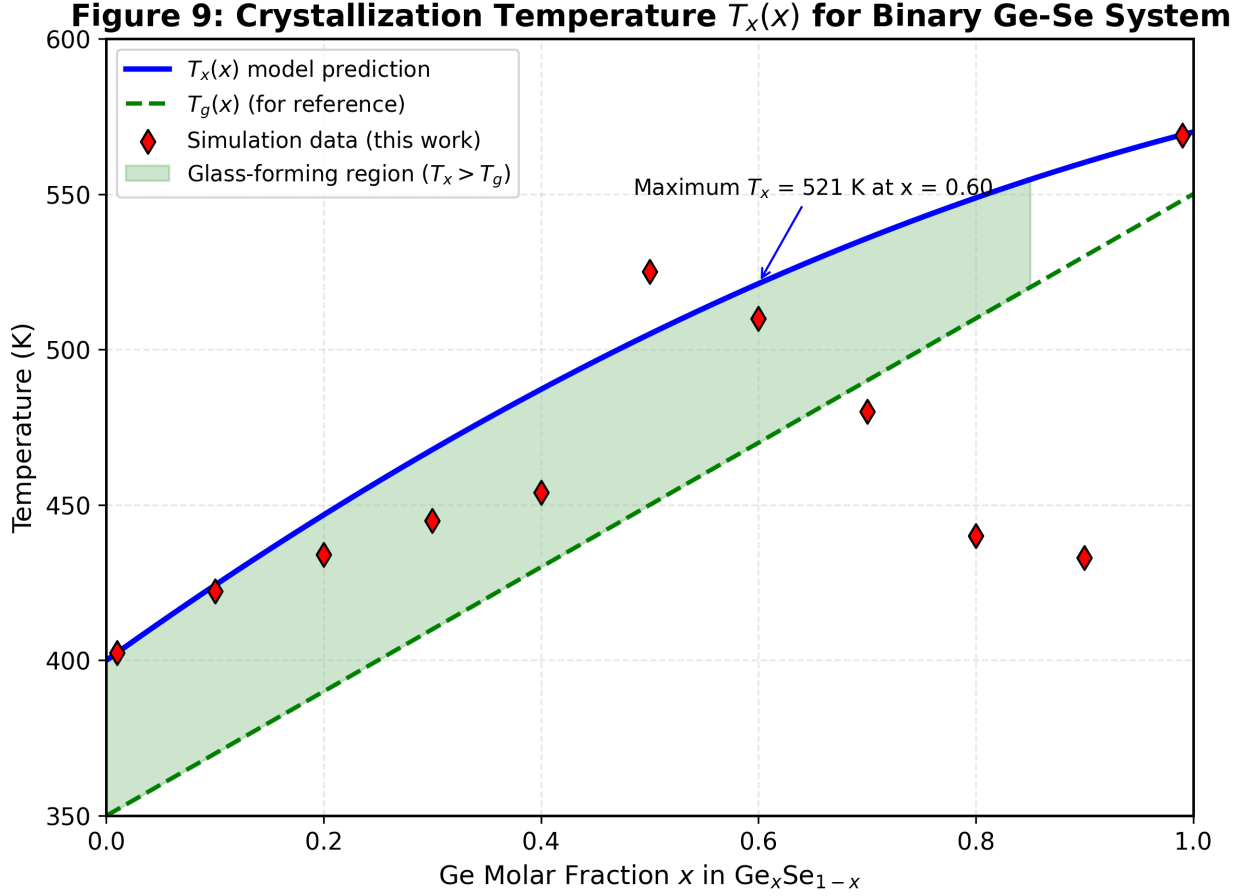


Figure 10: Crystallization temperature  $T_x(x)$  for binary Ge-Se system.

## 8 Figure Insertion Summary

Table 7 summarizes all supplementary figures and their file names.

Table 7: Supplementary figure file names and descriptions.

| Figure     | File Name                     | Description          |
|------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Figure S1  | Convergence_Test.png          | Convergence test     |
| Figure S2  | Parity_Plot.png               | Parity plots         |
| Figure S3  | Uncertainty_Distributions.png | Monte Carlo results  |
| Figure S4  | 3D_Surface_Eta.png            | 3D surface of $\eta$ |
| Figure S5  | 3D_Surface_Phi.png            | 3D surface of $\Phi$ |
| Figure S6a | Binary_D.png                  | Binary $D(x)$        |
| Figure S6b | Binary_Ea.png                 | Binary $E_a(x)$      |
| Figure S6c | Binary_Tg.png                 | Binary $T_g(x)$      |
| Figure S6d | Binary_Tx.png                 | Binary $T_x(x)$      |

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