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In this thesis, the semiconductor-rich region of the Nb-Si-Ge ternary isotherm at 927 and the Cu-Si-Ge ternary isotherm at 600 were determined by using X-ray diffraction, electron-probe microanalysis and metallography. The main objective is to provide the necessary thermodynamic information for designing contact materials for applications in SiGe or Si devices.

In the second part of this thesis, the diffusion behaviors of Cu-Si-Ge system were preliminarily studied. The objective is to provide the kinetic information for understanding the reaction between Cu and SiGe.

It was confirmed that at 927 NbSi₂ and NbGe₂ form a continuous solid solution Nb(Si_{1-x}Ge_x) with the C40 crystal structure. It was also shown that, other than Nb(Si_{1-x}Ge_x) and Si_{1-y}Ge_y, there is no known binary or ternary phase within the Si-Ge- NbGe₂- NbSi₂ trapezoid. The lattice parameters of Nb(Si_{1-x}Ge_x) were determined. The tie-lines for the Nb(Si_{1-x}Ge_x)- Si_{1-y}Ge_y two phase region tilt slightly toward the NbSi₂ and Ge corners presumably because the enthalpy of formation for NbSi₂ is more negative than that of NbGe₂. The tie-lines also show that the NbSi₂ and NbGe₂ are not stable when they are in contact with SiGe solid solution alone.

In the Cu-Si-Ge ternary isotherm study at 600 study, we confirmed that Cu₇Si and Cu₅Ge formed a continuous solid solution with the A3 crystal structure, but Cu₃Si and Cu₃Ge didn't. We found that the crystal structure information of ϵ -Cu₃Ge in the "Pearson's Handbook of Crystallographic Data for Intermetallic Phases" could have some errors. The diffraction pattern of ϵ -Cu₃Ge and ϵ 1-Cu₃Ge could be the same. Otherwise the stably existing temperature of ϵ -Cu₃Ge and ϵ 1-Cu₃Ge in the Cu-Ge binary phase diagram would have wrong. The Si would slightly dissolve into Cu₃Ge to form the Cu₃(Si_{1-x}Ge_x) with low electrical resistivity close to Cu₃Ge and the Cu₃(Si_{1-x}Ge_x) would be stable on the SiGe substrate. Therefore, we can use this property of Cu₃(Si_{1-x}Ge_x) to design the stable contact material on the SiGe substrate.

In the second part of this thesis, Cu/Ge binary diffusion couple experiment at 600 °C was performed. The growing rate of the Cu₃Ge phase is greater than that of the Cu₅Ge phase. The one and only crystal structure of the Cu₃Ge phase was detected. We assumed that the stably existing temperature of the Cu₃Ge phase with different crystal structures in the Cu-Ge binary phase diagram had some errors, or the variation in interdiffusion coefficients between the two different crystal structures of the Cu₃Ge phase was large. We found that no detectable reaction in the Cu/Si binary diffusion couple occurred at 600 °C. The main objective is to provide the necessary thermodynamic information for NbSi₂ and Cu₃Ge when they contact with SiGe or Si substrate. The information would be a great benefit to the development of metallization for the new contact materials in the microelectronic industrial.