

# **Assessing Nickel Titanium Binary Systems**

## **Using Structural Search Methods and Ab Initio**

### **Calculations**

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## Crystallographic, Elastic, and Thermal data

**Table S 1:** Crystallographic information for structures found on the convex hull with MHM. In addition, low-energy structures from OQMD,<sup>2</sup> Materials Project,<sup>1</sup> and experiment are listed in the table. Experimental values are in bold.

Composition	Atoms per unit cell	Space Group	a (Å)	b (Å)	c (Å)	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$
NiTi <sub>2</sub>	6	I4/mmm	5.30	5.30	5.30	147.0	147.0	47.3
NiTi <sub>2</sub> <sup>1</sup>	24	Fd-3m	7.97	7.97	7.97	60.0	60.0	60.0
NiTi <sub>2</sub> <sup>1*</sup>	24	Fd-3m	7.97	7.97	7.97	60.0	60.0	60.0
NiTi <sub>2</sub> <sup>2</sup>	<b>24</b>	<b>Fd-3m</b>	<b>7.95</b>	<b>7.95</b>	<b>7.95</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>60.0</b>
NiTi <sub>2</sub> <sup>3</sup>	<b>24</b>	<b>Fd-3m</b>	<b>7.95</b>	<b>7.95</b>	<b>7.95</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>60.0</b>
NiTi <sub>2</sub> <sup>4</sup>	<b>24</b>	<b>Fd-3m</b>	<b>7.97</b>	<b>7.97</b>	<b>7.97</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>60.0</b>
NiTi	4	P2 <sub>1</sub> /m	2.92	4.01	4.89	90.0	106.3	90.0
NiTi	4	P2 <sub>1</sub> /m	2.93	4.06	4.75	90.0	100.9	90.0
NiTi <sup>2</sup>	4	P2 <sub>1</sub> /m	2.91	4.03	4.70	90.0	98.4	90.0
NiTi <sup>2</sup>	<b>4</b>	<b>P2<sub>1</sub>/m</b>	<b>2.84</b>	<b>4.13</b>	<b>4.61</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>95.5</b>	<b>90.0</b>
NiTi <sup>2</sup>	<b>4</b>	<b>P2<sub>1</sub>/m</b>	<b>2.75</b>	<b>4.22</b>	<b>4.63</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>92.1</b>	<b>90.0</b>
NiTi <sup>5</sup>	<b>4</b>	<b>P2<sub>1</sub>/m</b>	<b>2.90</b>	<b>4.11</b>	<b>4.65</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>97.8</b>	<b>90.0</b>
NiTi	4	Cmcm	4.91	4.91	4.01	90.0	90.0	145.2
NiTi <sup>1</sup>	<b>4</b>	<b>Cmcm</b>	<b>4.92</b>	<b>4.92</b>	<b>4.02</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>145.5</b>
NiTi	8	Pnma	5.20	5.20	4.20	90.0	90.0	90.0
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti	8	P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc	5.11	5.11	4.17	90.0	90.0	120.0
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti <sup>1</sup>	16	P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc	5.10	5.10	8.31	90.0	90.0	120
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti <sup>2</sup>	8	P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc	5.10	5.10	4.15	90.0	90.0	120.0
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti <sup>2</sup>	<b>16</b>	<b>P6<sub>3</sub>/mmc</b>	<b>5.08</b>	<b>5.08</b>	<b>8.29</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>120.0</b>
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti	4	Pm-3m	3.61	3.61	3.61	90.0	90.0	90.0
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti <sup>1</sup>	4	Pm-3m	3.94	3.94	3.94	90.0	90.0	90.0
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti <sup>2</sup>	4	Pm-3m	3.60	3.60	3.60	90.0	90.0	90.0
Ni <sub>5</sub> Ti	6	Cmmm	3.57	3.60	5.63	90.0	90.0	90.0

**Table S 2: Elastic properties for convex hull structures found with MHM. B, E, and S stand for the bulk, Young's, and shear moduli, respectively.  $\nu$  is the Poisson Ratio.  $v_l$ ,  $v_t$ , and  $v_{avg}$  are the longiudal, transverse, and the average velocity. The elastic constant values are the averages of the Voigt and Reuss methods for determining the values of each elastic property from the elastic constants. Other strong materials are included for comparison. Two metastable structures with unique properties are included at the end of the table for comparison.**

Composition	Space Group	B (GPa)	E (GPa)	S (GPa)	$\nu$ (GPa)	B/S	$v_l$ (m/s)	$v_t$ (m/s)	$v_{avg}$ (m/s)	P-wave modulus	Universal anisotropy	Log-Euclidean anisotropy
Ti	P6/mmm	113.5	157.0	61.9	0.2	1.8	6495	3649	4060	196.01	0.232	0.234
NiTi <sub>2</sub>	I4/mmm	145.2	170.2	65.2	0.3	2.2	6307	3343	3736	232.22	0.421	0.416
NiTi <sub>2</sub>	Fd-3m	143.0	98.0	35.9	0.361	3.97	4866	2482	2781	191.00	2.808	2.296
NiTi <sub>2</sub> <sup>6</sup>	Fd-3m	146.1	44.4	49.4	0.348	2.96						
NiTi <sub>2</sub> <sup>1</sup>	Fd-3m	141.7	99.1	35.8	0.383	3.96						
NiTi	Pnma	117.1	128.1	48.6	0.3	2.4	5296	2738	3066	181.92	2.476	2.072
NiTi	P2 <sub>1</sub> /m	158.0	111.1	40.8	0.4	3.9	5751	2521	2846	212.45	8.350	5.057
NiTi	Pm-3m	164.54	92.28	32.85	0.407	5.00	5653	2244	2543	208.3	1.716	1.520
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti	P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc	196.1	233.2	89.6	0.3	2.2	6323	3369	3764	315.53	0.299	0.299
Ni <sub>5</sub> Ti	Cmmm	199.2	230.6	88.3	0.3	2.3	6199	3271	3657	316.90	0.886	0.840
Ni	Fm-3m	207.2	211.9	80.0	0.3	2.6	5901	2976	3338	313.67	1.418	1.286
W <sup>7</sup>	Im-3m	304.0	380.5	147.5	0.3	2.06						
Stainless Steel <sup>8</sup>	fcc	152	198	77	0.28	1.98						
Stainless Steel <sup>9</sup>	fcc	142-186	195-208	75-82	0.27-0.32	1.88-2.45						
NiTi <sub>2</sub>	C2/m	140.9	75.7	27.0	0.4	5.22	5556	2170	2460	176.91	3.993	3.023
NiTi	P2/m	155.1	97.9	35.1	0.4	4.41	5447	2166	2454	193.49	3.876	2.956

**Table S 3: Thermodynamic properties of Ni<sub>x</sub>Ti<sub>1-x</sub>. C<sub>v</sub> is the specific heat with constant volume. The values above the dividing line are from first principles studies at 300K. The values below the line are experimental reported values for debye temperature.**

Composition	Space Group	C <sub>v</sub> (J/mol K)	Debye Temp.(K)
NiTi <sub>2</sub>	I4/mmm	138.78	441.82
NiTi <sub>2</sub>	Fd-3m	562.73 (519.34 <sup>6</sup> )	217.92 (411.5 <sup>6</sup> )
NiTi	Pnma	185.69	392.61
NiTi	P2 <sub>1</sub> /m	92.73	620.79
NiTi	Cmc <sub>m</sub>	92.67	762.65
Ni <sub>5</sub> Ti	Cmmm	139.66	899.05
Ni <sub>3</sub> Ti	P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc	183.30	510.17

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## Convex Hull Phonons

The phonon spectra for the convex hull structures are displayed in Figures S1,S2,S3 and S4.

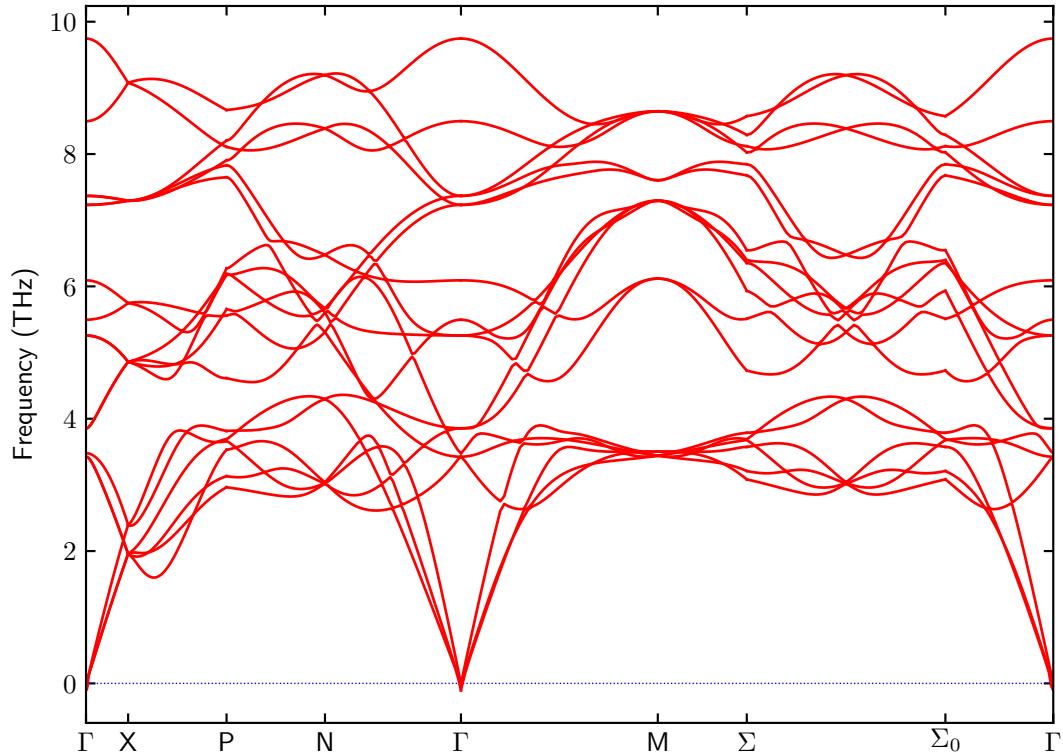


Figure S 1: Phonons for the structure on the convex hull for  $\text{NiTi}_2$  with space group  $I4/mmm$

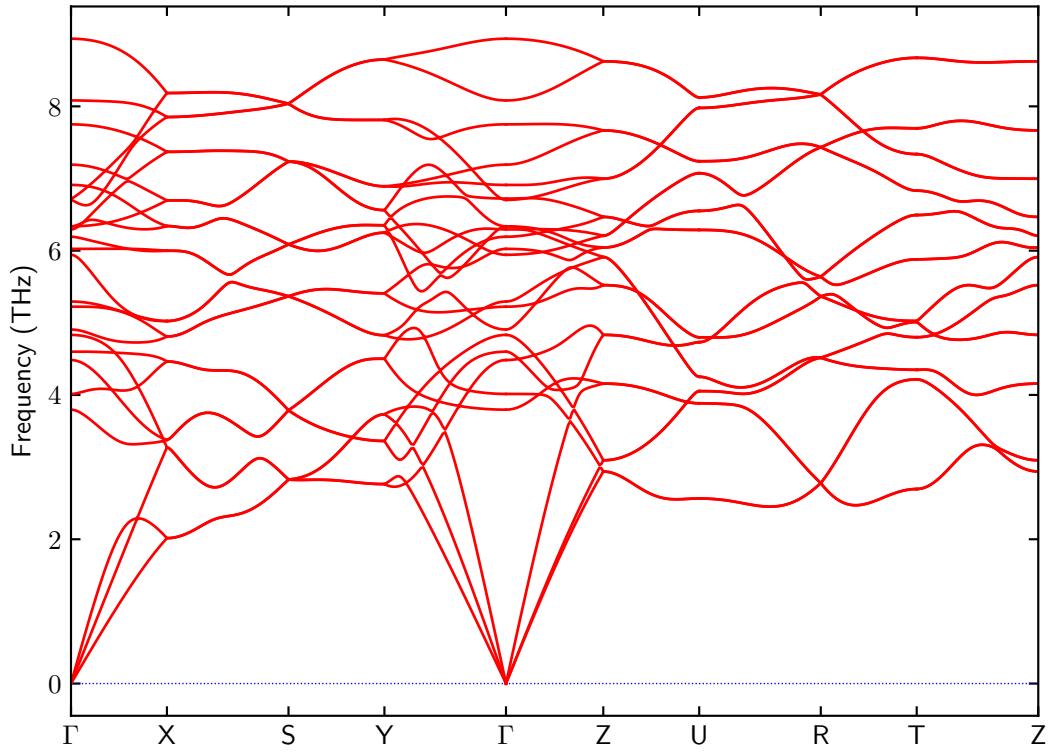


Figure S 2: Phonons for the structure on the convex hull for NiTi with space group *Pnma*

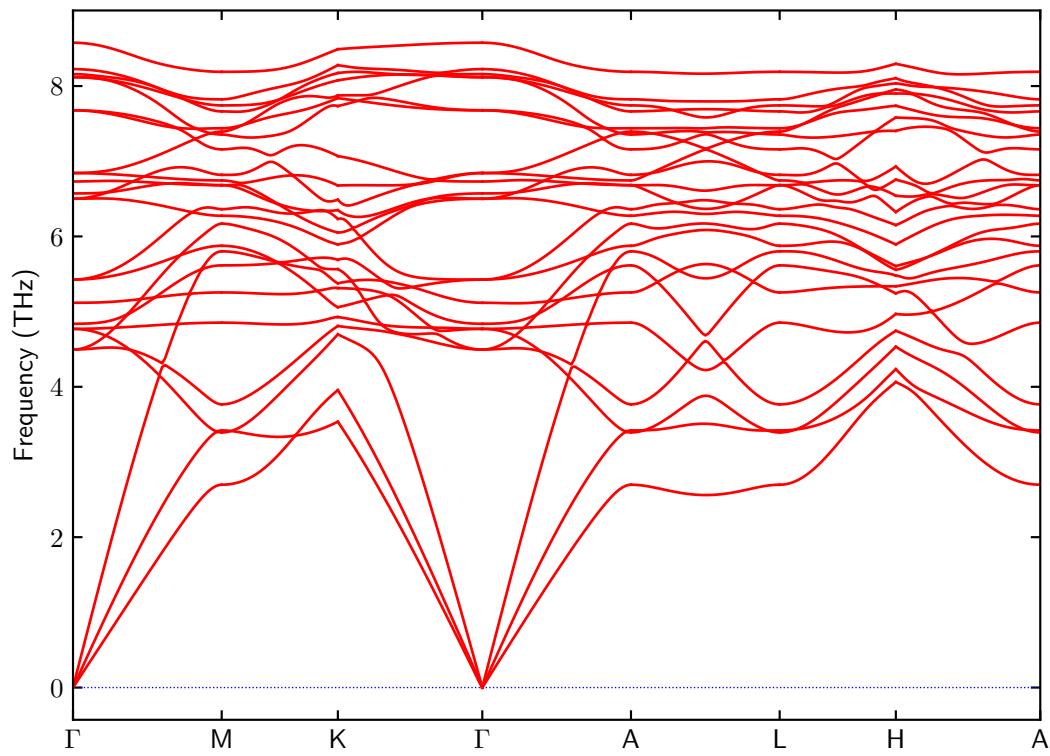


Figure S 3: Phonons for the structure on the convex hull for  $\text{Ni}_3\text{Ti}$  with space group  $P6_3/mmc$

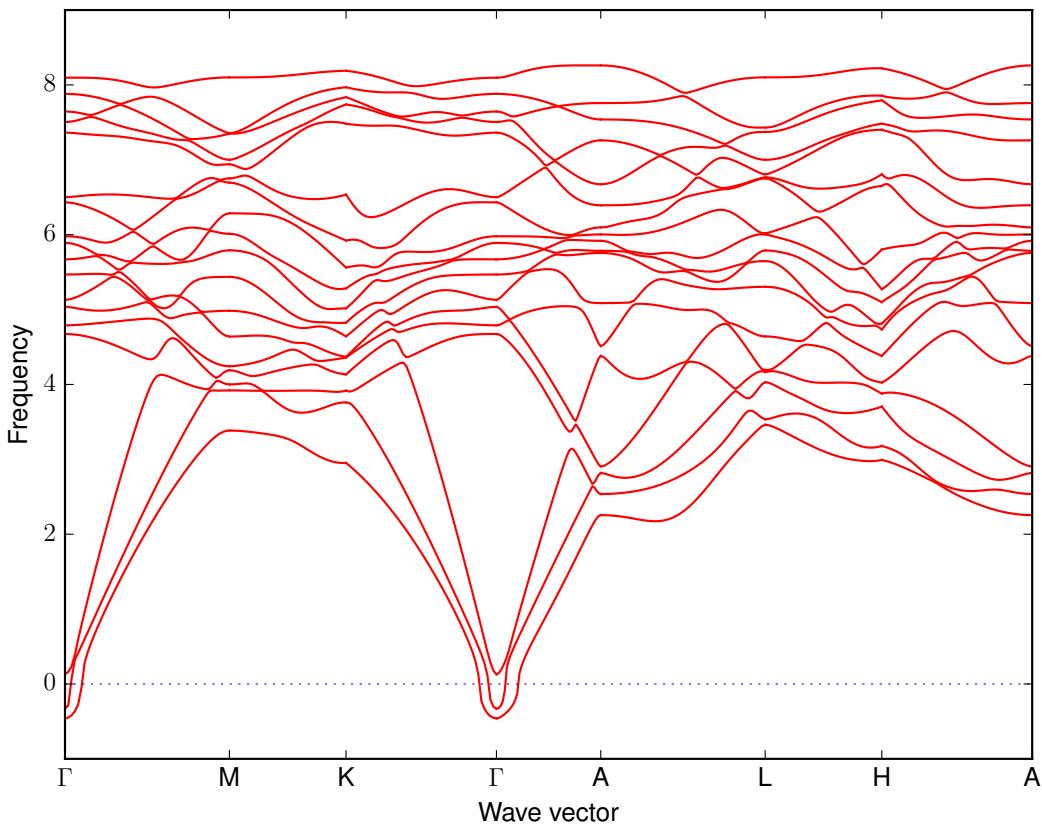


Figure S 4: Phonons for the structure on the convex hull for  $\text{Ni}_5\text{Ti}$  with space group  $Cmmm$

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## Phonons for Metastable Structures

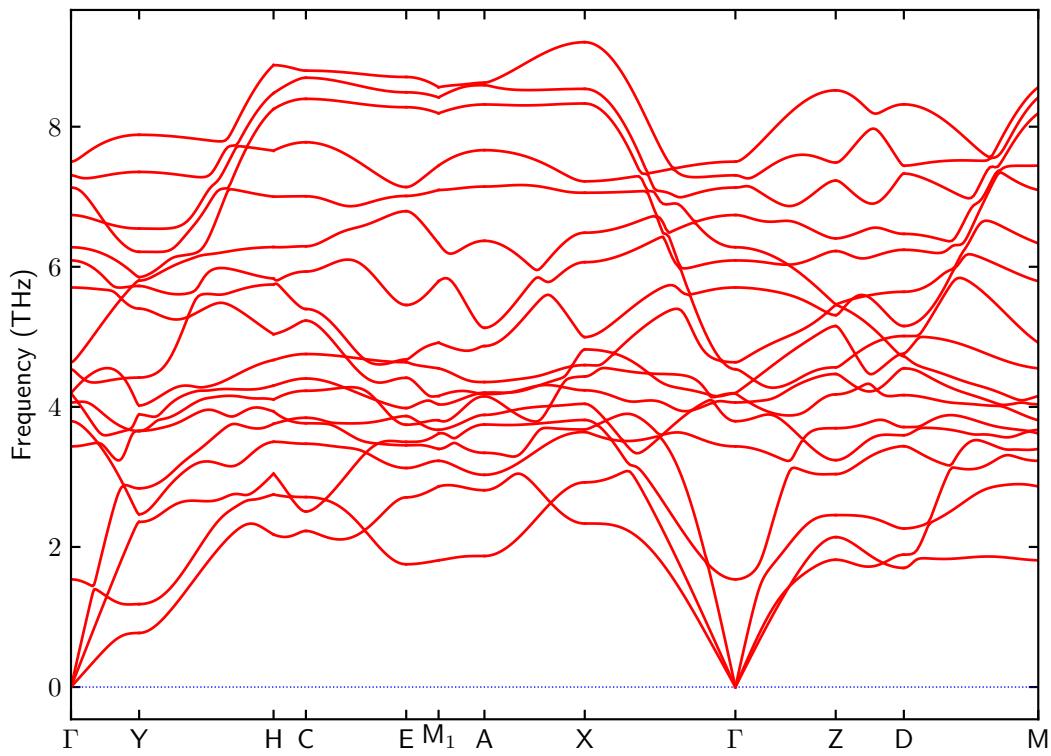


Figure S 5: Phonons for NiTi with space group  $P2/m$

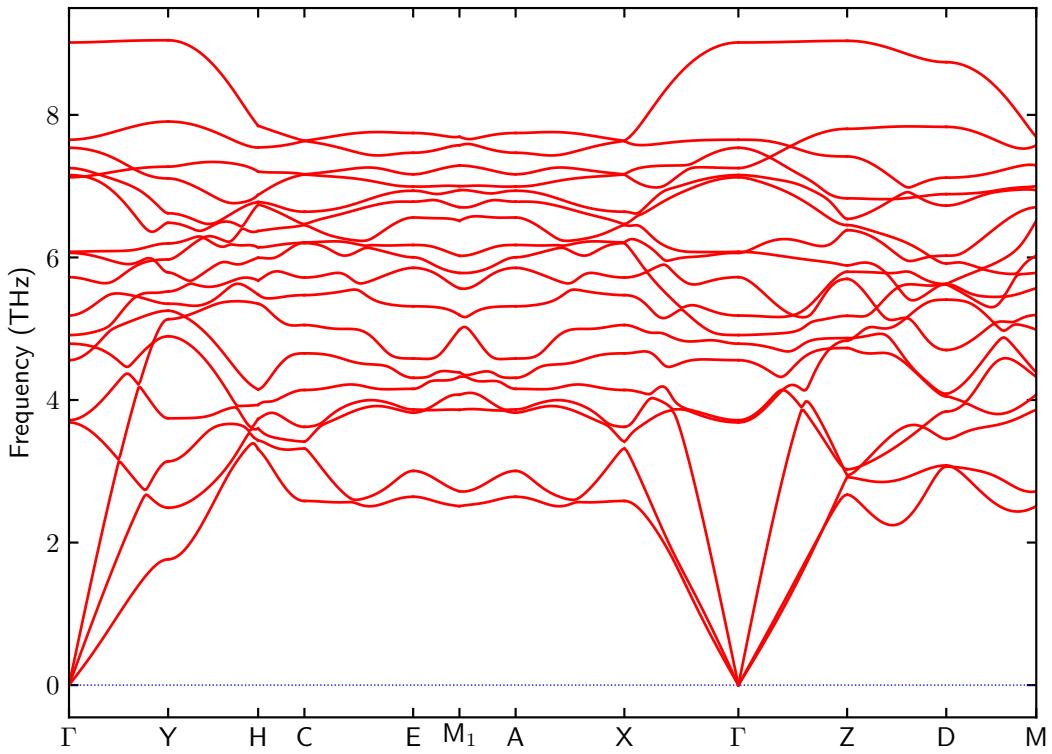


Figure S 6: Phonons for NiTi<sub>2</sub> with space group  $C2/m$

**XRD**

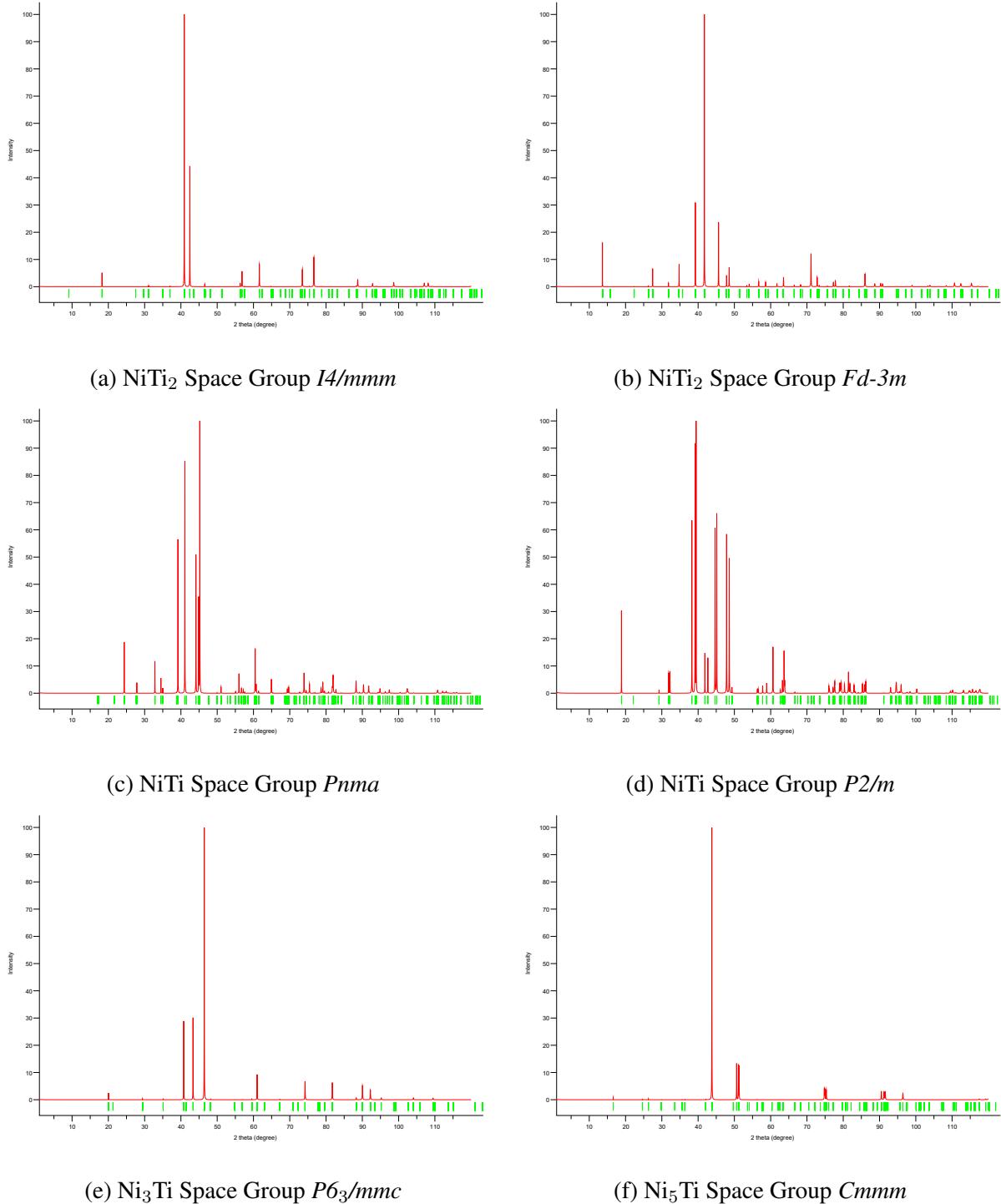
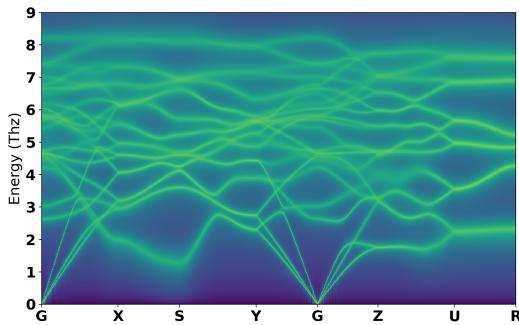


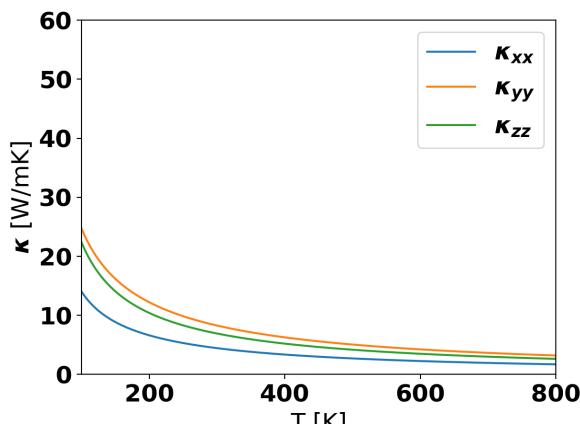
Figure S 7: X-ray diffraction plots for structures reported in the paper. These plots were generated using VESTA and a Cu K-alpha X-ray ( $\lambda = 1.5406\text{\AA}$ ) with relative intensity 1.

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## SQE plots and thermal conductivity



(a) NiTi-62 Spectral phonon bands



(b) NiTi-62 Thermal Conductivity

Figure S 8: Effect of anharmonicity for NiTi. Spectral Phonon Dispersion plot and Thermal conductivity temperature dependence

## CIF files

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## NiTi - space group 62 - Pnma

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Ni Ni2 1 0.561055 0.750000 0.639381 1  
Ni Ni3 1 0.938945 0.250000 0.139381 1  
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Ti Ti5 1 0.657971 0.750000 0.129367 1  
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### **NiTi<sub>2</sub> - space group 139 - I4/mmm**

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Ni Ni1 1 0.000000 0.000000 0.500000 1
Ti Ti2 1 -0.000000 -0.000000 0.842433 1
Ti Ti3 1 0.000000 0.000000 0.157567 1
Ti Ti4 1 0.500000 0.500000 0.342433 1
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### NiTi<sub>2</sub> - space group 227 - Fd-3m

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_atom_site_occupancy
Ni Ni0 1 0.169850 0.500000 0.339701 1
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Ni Ni2 1 0.500000 0.500000 0.000000 1
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Ni Ni4 1 0.333262 0.000000 0.666525 1
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Ti3 Ti 0.00000 0.33778 0.30444 1.0000

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