

ΦΥΣΙΚΗ.— **Internal Strain of Ge**, by *G. E. Zardas* and *C. N. Koumelis**, διὰ τοῦ Ἀκαδημαϊκοῦ κ. Κρίσταρος Ἀλεξοπούλου.

ABSTRACT

The problem of the Internal Strain is examined in Ge by measuring the displacement of an X-Ray beam diffracted on it under an uniaxial stress along the $[111]$ direction. The law of the change of the bond lengths $b_{\langle 11\bar{1} \rangle}$ versus the applied stress was determined. The value of the bond bending constant ζ was found to be 0.88.

INTRODUCTION

The problem of the Internal Strain in crystals with tetrahedral bonds consists in achieving the strain $\epsilon'_{[111]}$ of the tetrahedral bond for a given macroscopic strain $\epsilon_{[111]}$ along this bond. The strain $\epsilon'_{[111]}$ is generally not equal to the macroscopic strain $\epsilon_{[111]}$, but is connected to it by: ^{(1) (2) (3)}

$$\epsilon'_{[111]} = \epsilon_{[111]} - \zeta \cdot \epsilon_{[111]}$$

where: $0 \leq \zeta \leq 1$ is the so called bond bending constant.

The bond bending constant of Ge and Si was found with the help of X-Rays for the longitudinal and transverse case. ^{(4) (5)} The experiment was extended to the zinc-blende structure, specifically to Sbln ⁽⁶⁾ and GaAs. ^{(7) (8)}

This experiment, which is still in progress, examines the change of the bond $b_{\langle 11\bar{1} \rangle}$ under the stress $\vec{\tau}_{[111]}$. For reasons of symmetry, the same law holds for all bonds $b_{\langle 11\bar{1} \rangle}$.

CALCULATIONS

Under a stress $\vec{\tau}_{[111]}$, a cubic crystal becomes rhombohedral (Fig. 1). In Fig. 2 we present the atomic positions on the crystallographic plane $(1\bar{1}0)$ of the strained diamond structure crystal under the stress $\vec{\tau}_{[111]}$, assuming an internal strain.

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From Fig. 1 we have

$$\cos \varphi = \frac{\cos \alpha}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \quad (1\alpha)$$

$$d_{[111]}^2 = 3 \cdot a^2 \cdot (1 + 2 \cdot \cos \alpha) \quad (1\beta)$$

$$\cos \varphi = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1 + 2 \cdot \cos \alpha}{1 + \cos \alpha}} \quad (1\gamma)$$

Fig. 2 leads to:

$$b_{[11\bar{1}]}^2 = \frac{a^2}{4} + \frac{a_0^2}{16} \cdot \left[1 + (1 + \zeta) \cdot \varepsilon_{[111]} \right] \cdot \left[(3 \cdot \zeta - 1) \cdot \varepsilon_{[111]} - 1 \right] \quad (2)$$

where a_0 is the lattice constant of the unstrained crystal.

If the lattice constant a does not follow the strain tensor and is unknown function of the strain $\varepsilon_{[111]}$, equation (2) does not solve the problem, but a further experiment is needed for determination of the relation

$$a = a[\varepsilon_{[111]}]$$

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

On the photographic plate (Fig. 3) we measure the distance S of the reflection (hkl) versus the stress $\vec{\tau}_{[111]}$. The Bragg law gives for a rhombohedral crystal: ⁽⁹⁾

$$\frac{2 \cdot a \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \sqrt{(1 - \cos \alpha) \cdot (1 + 2 \cdot \cos \alpha)}}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2 + l^2 + [h^2 + k^2 + l^2 - 2 \cdot (h \cdot k + k \cdot l + l \cdot h)] \cdot \cos \alpha}} = \lambda$$

The last equation, the equation (1β) and the relation

$$d_{[111]} = a_0 \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot [1 + \varepsilon_{[111]}]$$

lead to:

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{1 - \frac{h^2 + k^2 + l^2}{4 \cdot a_0^2 \cdot [1 + \varepsilon_{[111]}]^2} \cdot \lambda^2}{1 + \frac{h^2 + k^2 + l^2 - 2 \cdot (h \cdot k + k \cdot l + l \cdot h)}{4 \cdot a_0^2 \cdot [1 + \varepsilon_{[111]}]^2} \cdot \lambda^2}$$

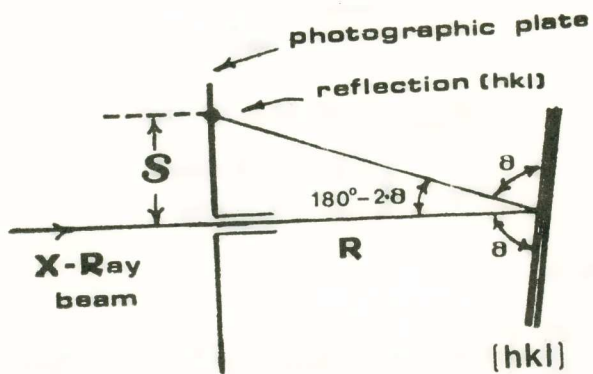
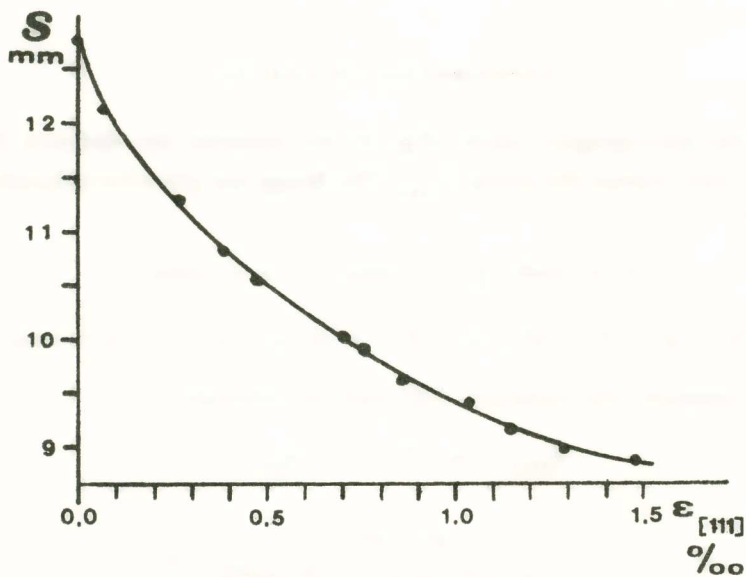


Fig. 3 The geometry of the reflection (hkl)

Fig. 4 The curve $S=S[\epsilon_{[111]}]$ for the reflection $(11\ 11\ \bar{3})$. ($R = 150 \text{ mm}$)

$$a^2 = a_0^2 \cdot [1 + \varepsilon_{[111]}]^2 \cdot \frac{1 + \frac{h^2 + k^2 + l^2 - 2 \cdot (h \cdot k + k \cdot l + l \cdot h)}{4 \cdot a_0^2 \cdot [1 + \varepsilon_{[111]}]^2 \cdot \sin^2 \theta} \cdot \lambda^2}{3 - \frac{(h + k + l)^2}{4 \cdot a_0^2 \cdot [1 + \varepsilon_{[111]}]^2 \cdot \sin^2 \theta} \cdot \lambda^2}$$

The last equation gives the lattice constant a , versus θ and $\varepsilon_{[111]}$, which can be experimentally determined. The Bragg angle θ is determined from Fig. 3:

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \arctan \left(- \frac{S}{R} \right)$$

The strain $\varepsilon_{[111]}$ is determined from the relation: ^{(10) (11) (12)}

$$\varepsilon_{[111]} = \left[\frac{s_{11} + 2 \cdot s_{12}}{3} + \frac{s_{44}}{3} \right] \cdot \tau_{[111]}$$

RESULTS

We have experimented on Ge, the elastic constants of which are: ⁽¹³⁾

$$s_{11} = 0.978 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{dyne}}$$

$$s_{12} = -0.266 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{dyne}}$$

$$s_{44} = 1.490 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{dyne}}$$

For $\text{Mok}\alpha_2$ radiation, the reflection $(11\ 11\ \bar{3})$ was chosen because it gives the large value:

$$\tan \theta = 23.5320$$

Figure 4 shows the experimental curve of the distance S of the reflection $(11\ 11\ \bar{3})$ from the center of the photographic plate, versus the strain $\varepsilon_{[111]}$, for $R = 150\ \text{mm}$.

Figure 5 shows the corresponding Bragg angle θ versus $\varepsilon_{[111]}$. From Fig. 5 we calculate the lattice constant a , shown in Fig. 6. The curve is not linear and moreover has a minimum around $\varepsilon_{[111]} = 0.8\ 0/00$. We cannot give an explanation for this behavior.

By trial and error the curve of Fig. 6 could be expressed by the equation:

$$a^2 + K \cdot a \cdot \varepsilon_{[111]} + L \cdot \varepsilon_{[111]}^2 + M \cdot a + N \cdot \varepsilon_{[111]} + P = 0$$

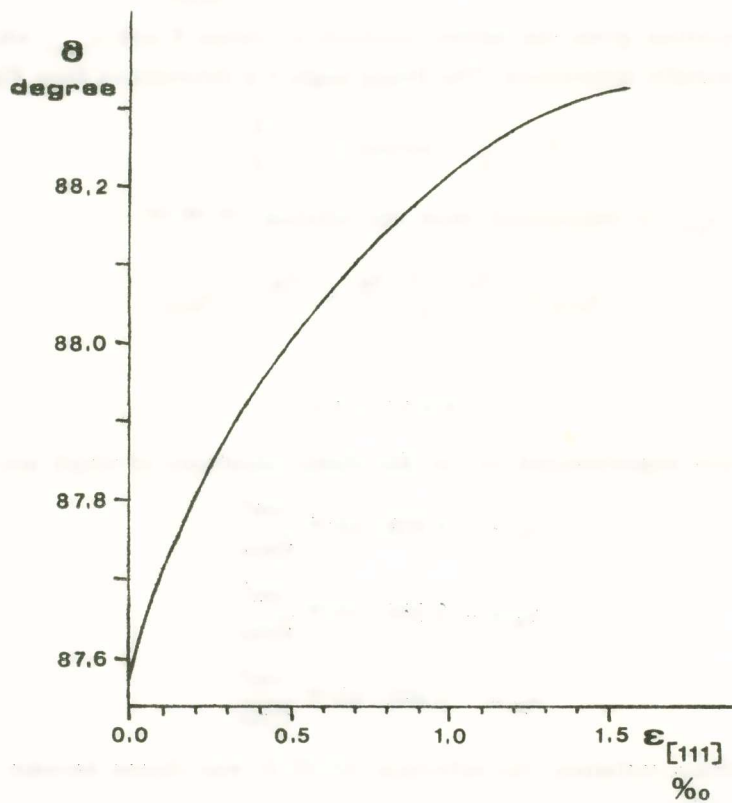


Fig. 5 The Bragg angle θ of the reflection $(11\ 11\ \bar{3})$ under strain $\epsilon_{[111]}$

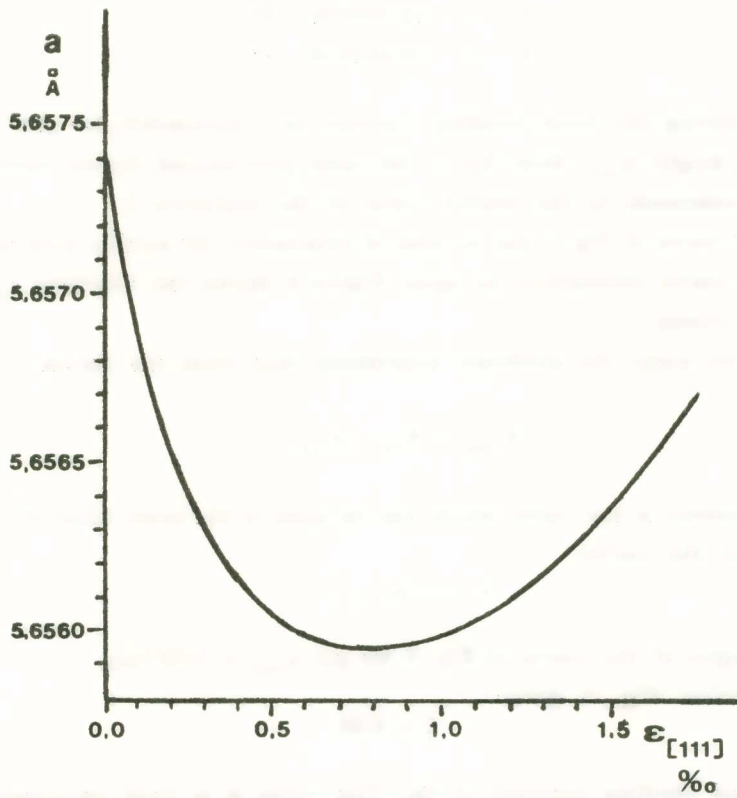


Fig. 6 The curve $a = a[\epsilon_{[111]}]$

With an electronic calculator we obtain the follow values for the coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned} K &= 2.217299 \text{ \AA} \\ L &= 6.356274 \text{ \AA}^2 \\ M &= -11.316211 \text{ \AA} \\ N &= -12.530700 \text{ \AA}^2 \\ P &= 32.014158 \text{ \AA}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Considering the bond bending constant as a parameter, we plot in Fig. 7 the bond length $b_{[111]}$ from Eq. 2. All cases give second degree curves. One of them corresponds to the correct value of the unknown ζ .

Every curve of Fig. 7 has an axis of symmetry; its section with the corresponding curve determines an apex. Figure 8 shows the abscissas $\epsilon_{[111]_x}$ of the apexes versus ζ .

Now we make the arbitrary hypothesis that from the curves

$$b_{[111]} = b_{[111]} [\epsilon_{[111]}, \zeta]$$

of Fig. 7, correct is the curve which has its apex at the same value of $\epsilon_{[111]_x}$ as the apex of the curve:

$$a = a [\epsilon_{[111]}]$$

From the apex of the curve of Fig. 6 we get $\epsilon_{[111]} = 0.69^\circ/\infty$.

For this value Fig. 8 gives:

$$\zeta = 0.88$$

for the bond bending constant of Ge. This value is in good agreement with those referred in the literature ⁽⁴⁾ ⁽⁵⁾ ⁽¹⁴⁾ and with the theoretically calculated one ⁽¹⁵⁾.

We note that in this experiment, the value of the bond bending constant was found without measuring the X - Ray intensity, but solely from the position of the Bragg reflection.

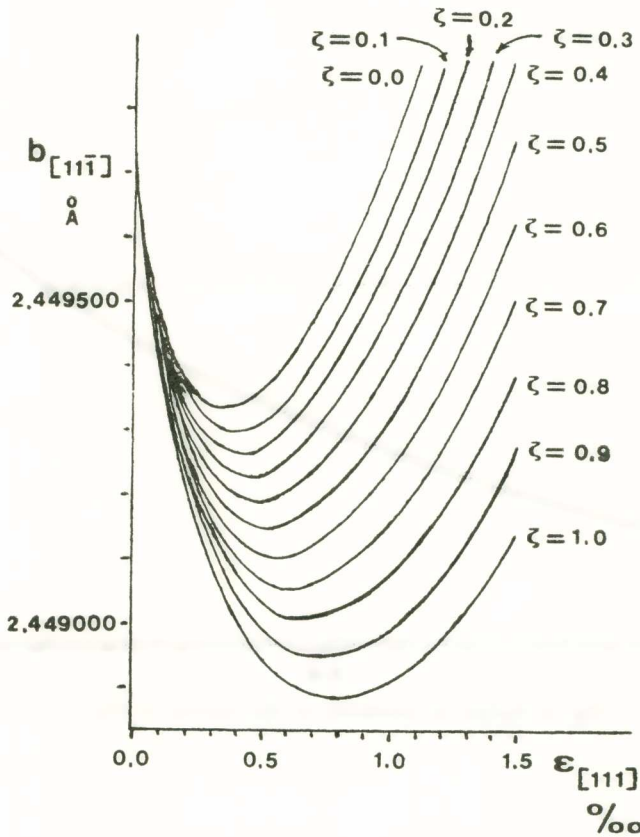


Fig. 7 The group of the curves $b_{[11\bar{1}]} = b_{[11\bar{1}]} [\epsilon_{[111]}]$

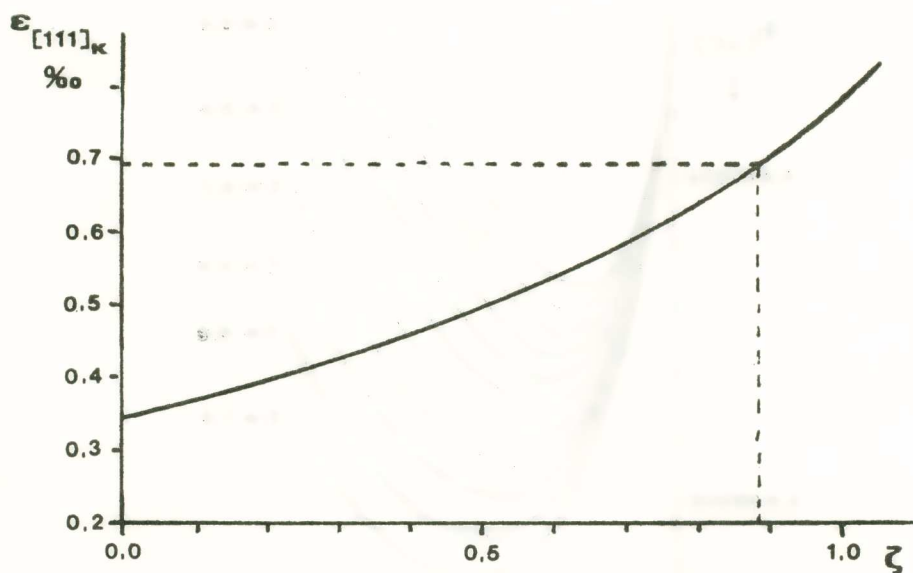


Fig. 8 Values of abscissas of the apexes of Fig. 7

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Εἰς τὸ παρὸν πείραμα ἐξητάσθη τὸ πρόβλημα τῆς ἐσωτερικῆς παραμορφώσεως εἰς τὸ Ge διὰ μετρήσεως τῆς μετατοπίσεως γραμμῆς ἀκτίνων Roentgen λόγω ἐξασκήσεως μονοαξονικῆς τάσεως κατὰ τὴν διεύθυνσιν [111]. Εὐρέθη ὁ νόμος τῆς μεταβολῆς τῶν δεσμῶν $b_{\langle 111 \rangle}$ συναρτῆσαι τῆς ἐφαρμοζομένης τάσεως, εὐρέθη δὲ ἡ τιμὴ 0.88 διὰ τὴν σταθερὰν κάμψεως δεσμῶν ζ.

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