



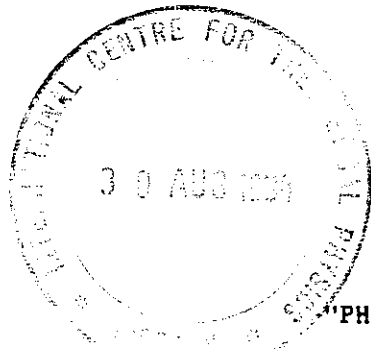
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SOLID STATE CREEP

(Part I)

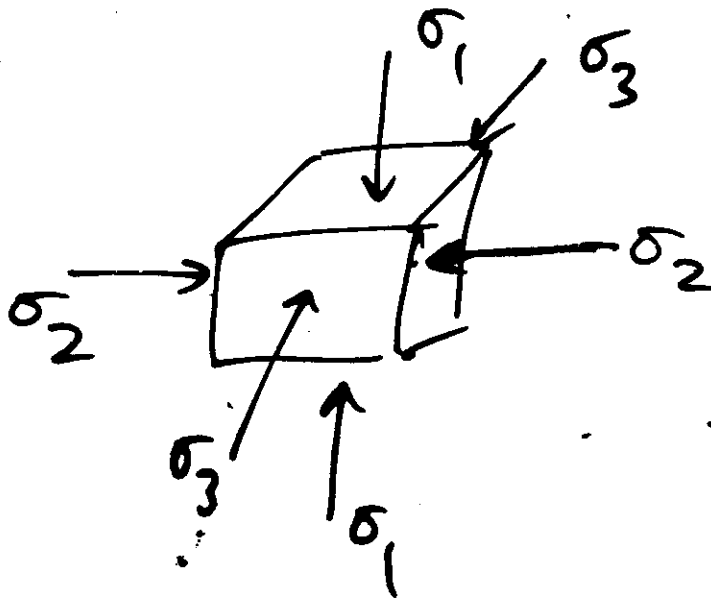
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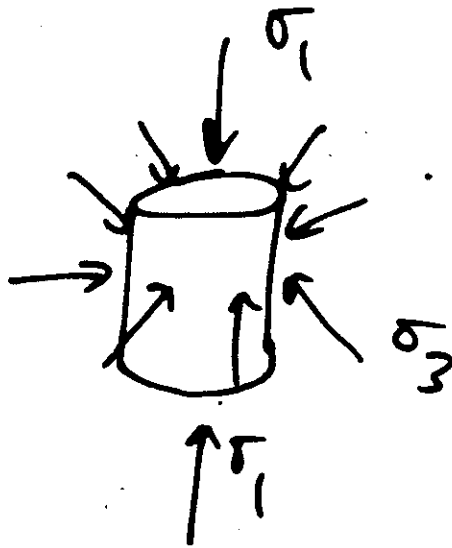
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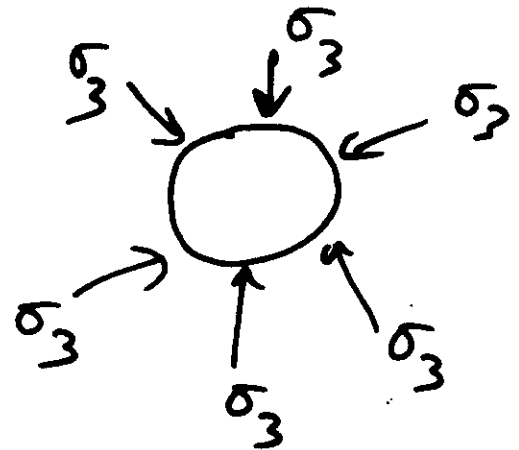
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CONVENTIONAL TRIAXIAL TEST



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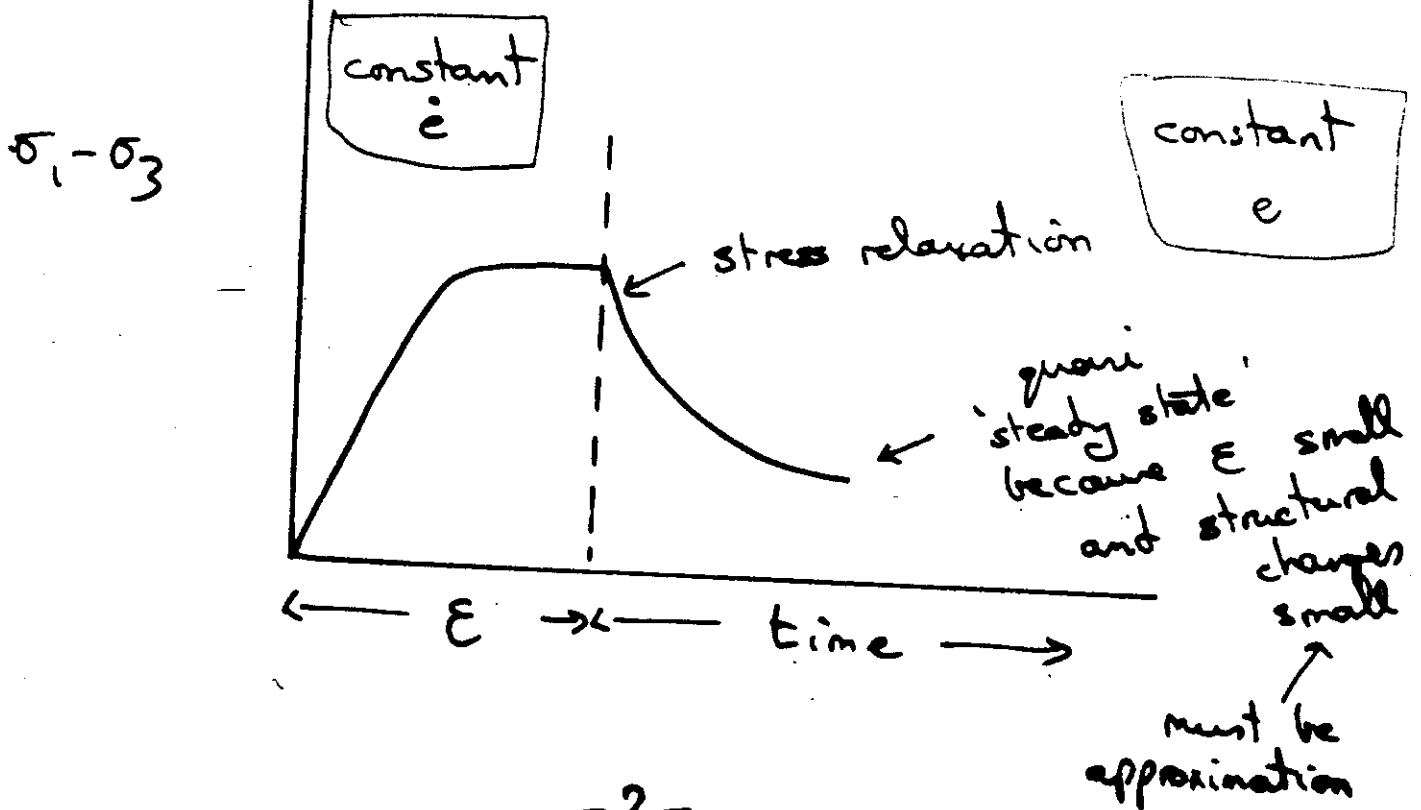
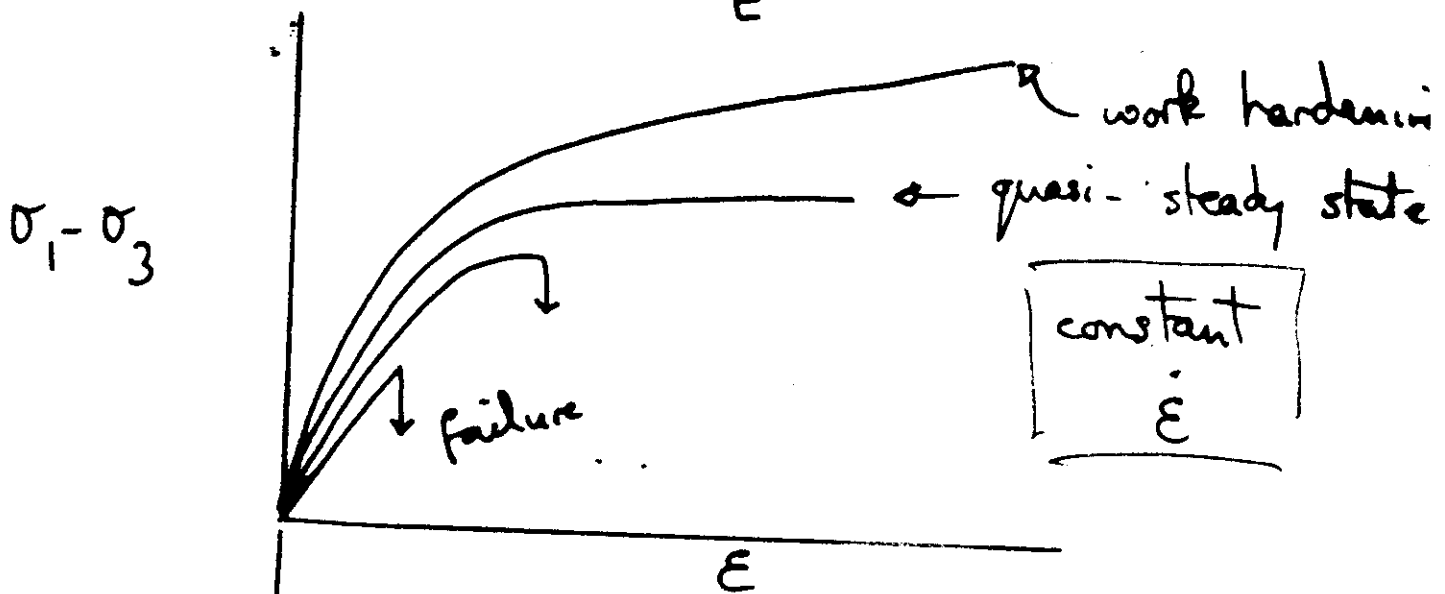
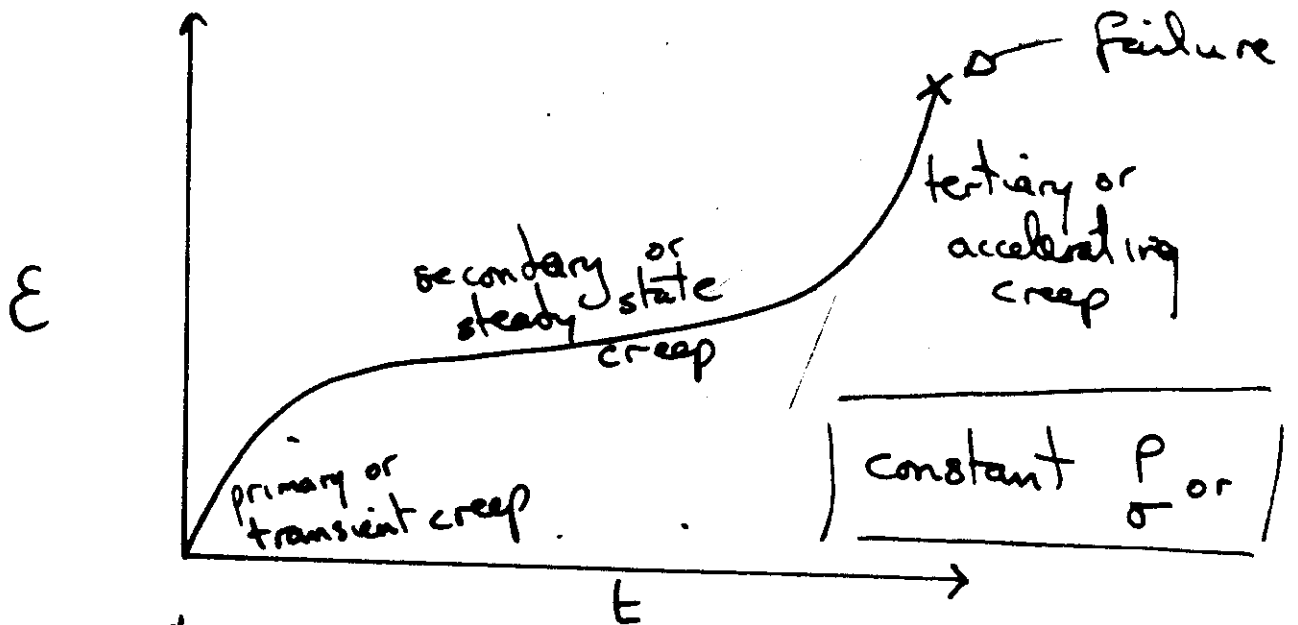


UNIAXIAL TEST



$$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = 0$$

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EVIDENCE FOR DEFORMATION MECHANISMS

- ① Laboratory studies → high pressure experiments
- ② Theoretical studies → deriving rate equations and matching predictions to field observations
- ③ Field studies and microscopy
plus texture studies
X-ray, etc.

of rocks deformed in earth by
natural tectonic (mountain building)
processes.

MECHANISMS OF DEFORMATION

1. CATAGLASIS : Involves normal-pressure dependent fracturing, brittle creep, frictional sliding, sub-critical cracking

2. DISLOCATION MECHANISMS :

Dislocation glide, dislocation creep (rate control is by dislocation climb — hence, may be diffusion-limited)

3. DIFFUSION AND GRAIN BOUNDARY SLIDING :

Diffusion path : grain boundary

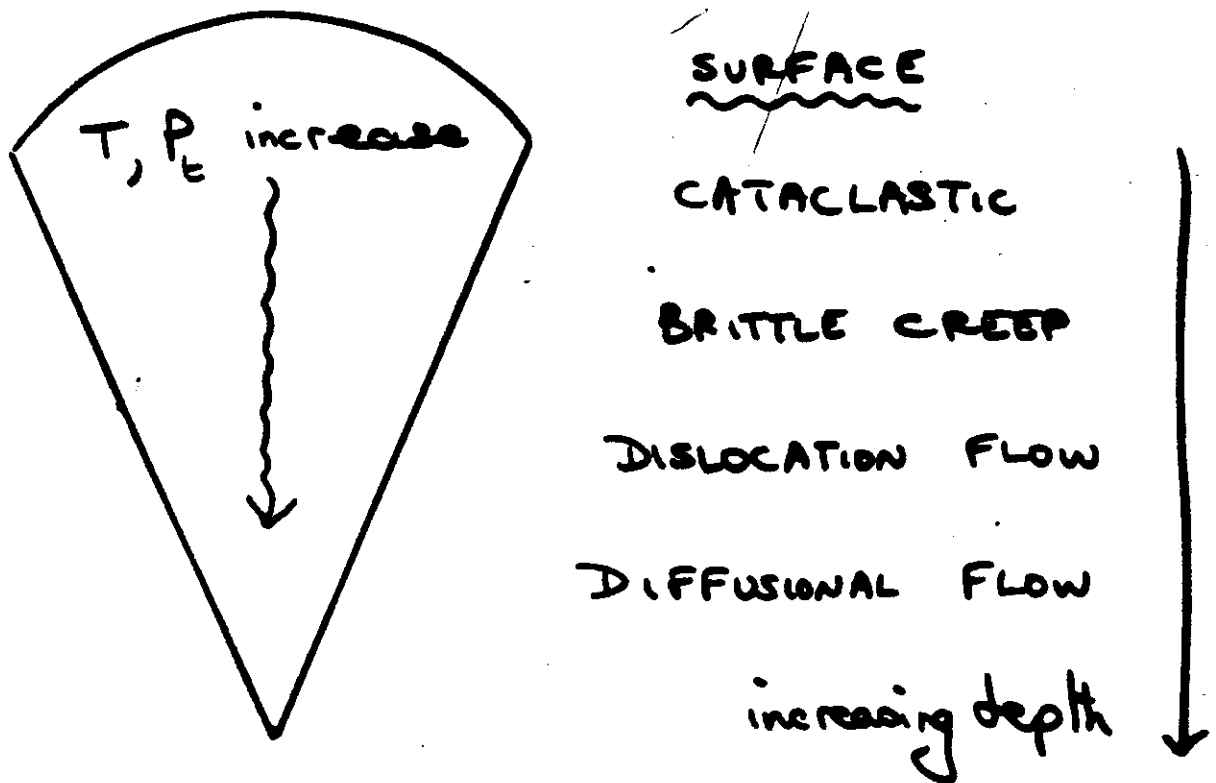
volume

grain boundary films
fluid phase transport
vapour

Coble creep
Nabarro-Herring creep
Superplastic flow
(Recrystallization)
Pressure solution

NOTEABLE : is that takes place at temperatures below that even for dislocation creep.

CRUDE MECHANICAL ZONATION OF PLANETARY INTERIORS



Inadequate! ESPECIALLY FOR EARTH
because it ignores influence
of:

1. Rock type

** 2. Pore fluids - especially water
and its
mechanical and
chemical effects

←
Discussion of this will be a
major theme of the lecture series

FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE THE MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF ROCK

Environmental Variables

Temperature
Total Pressure
Effective Pressure
Pore fluid pressure

T
 P
 P_e
 P_f

$$P_e = P_t - P_f$$

"law of effective stress"

Strain rate

Shear stress

Volatile fugacity (partial pressure)

$\dot{\epsilon}$
 τ
 f_{O_2} , f_{H_2}
etc

Material Variables

Grain size, shape, crystallographic orientation
Mineralogy, crystal structure (polymorphs)
Second phase particles $\rightarrow \alpha - \beta$ quartz
Stoichiometry (futile)
Internal structure - eg. dislocation density
Crack shape, size, distribution and arrangement.

CATACLASIS

CLEAVAGE FRACTURE

NO ENVIRONMENTAL
EFFECTS INCLUDED

1. Upper limit to strength of solid is tensile stress to overcome inter atomic forces in perfect crystal

$$\sigma_{\text{ideal}} = \left(2E\Gamma_s / \pi b \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \approx 0.1 E$$

Γ_s = surface free energy; b = atomic size
 E = Young's modulus

Flow is possible by continued granulation - stops when grains reach a size limited by ease of plasticity.

2. Pre-existing cracks prevent above situation being realized. They concentrate stress so that ideal stress is exceeded at crack tip - even though applied stress $\ll \sigma_{\text{ideal}}$

$$\sigma_f = \left(2E\Gamma / \pi c_0 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$2c_0$ = crack length Γ = fracture surface energy $> \Gamma_s$

EFFECT OF PRESSURE: Even in compression $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$ get tensile stresses at crack tips.

CATACLASTIC FLOW

Model by 2 independent mechanisms (Ashby/Verrill)

granulation due to cleavage

rolling and sliding (with no further fracture)

1. Granulation if

$$\sigma_s \geq \sigma_f + p \quad \text{if } p < \sigma_f$$

$$\sigma_s \geq 2(\sigma_f p)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{if } p \geq \sigma_f$$

σ_s = shear stress, p = hydrostatic pressure, σ_f = tensile fracture strength

2. Get rolling if

$$\sigma_s \geq p \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \sqrt{3} \mu_f \right)$$

coefficient of friction

work done in dilation

work done against friction

Above = for cylinders rolling + sliding at contact points

Leads to volume expansion so is much more pressure sensitive, than granulation - thus suppressed at modest pressure and gives way to cleavage.

MODEL AS:
ASHBY/VERRELL

$\dot{\epsilon} = \infty$ if either cleavage or rolling possible
 $\dot{\epsilon} = 0$ if neither satisfied

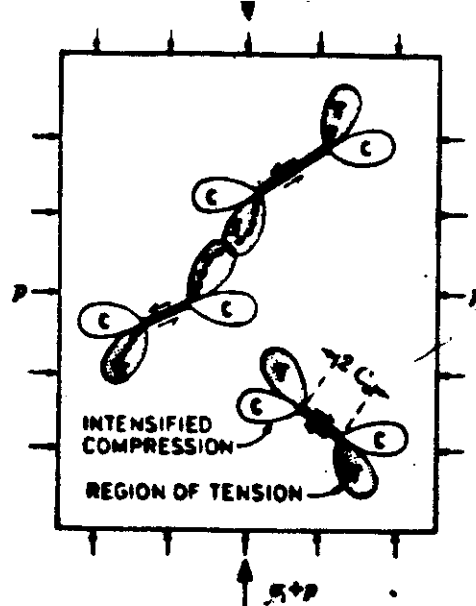


FIGURE 1. Cataclastic flow by cleavage. A deviatoric stress causes shearing displacements across the crack faces, generating tensile stresses in the regions marked T. If these reach a critical level, the cracks extend (broken lines) and ultimately link, even when the stress field is a compressive one.

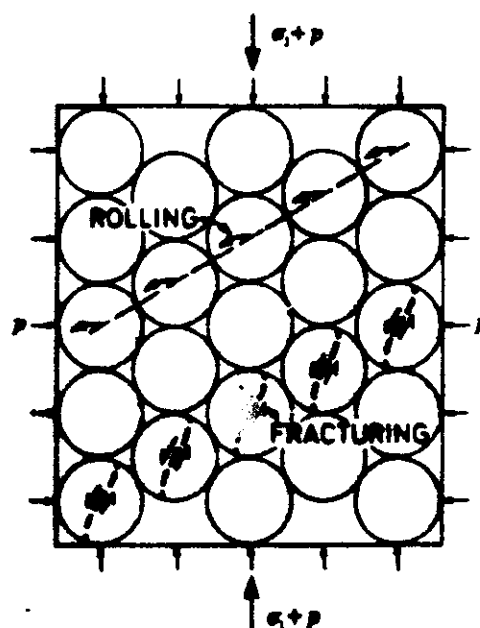


FIGURE 2. Granular or previously fractured materials can deform by the rolling and sliding of the granules or fragments over each other. Such flow is associated with a volume expansion, and because of this, it is more strongly influenced by pressure than is cleavage.

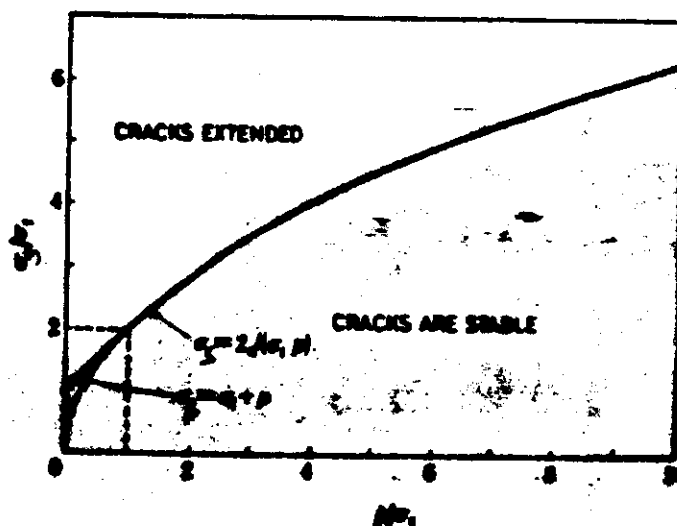


FIGURE 2. Griffith's criterion, no friction. A plot of equation (2.4), showing how the deviatoric stress and shear change (or remain constant) increases with pressure, σ_1 , for a given crack length a .

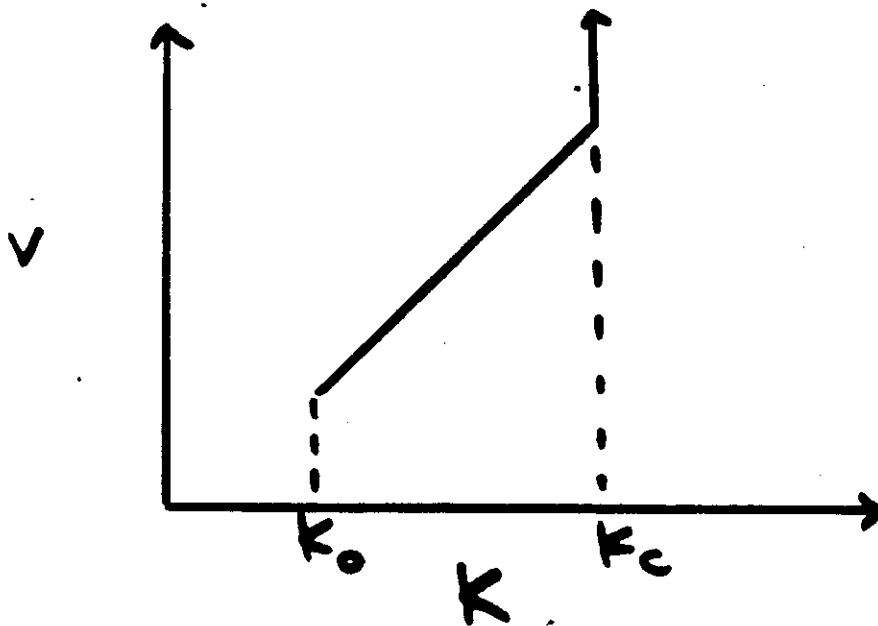
OTHER CLEAVAGE MECHANISMS

Subcritical crack growth

- (i) - Stress corrosion
- (ii) Diffusion
- (iii) Plasticity (on micro scale)

Stress intensity factor

$$K = Y \sigma_a (\pi c)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$



2-D crack
any mode
(ie tensile
in-plane
anti-plane
shear)

$$K_c = f(\dot{\gamma}_c) = f(\dot{\gamma}) \approx f(\dot{\gamma}_s)$$

Thus, when $\dot{\gamma}$ is slow (say $< 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$)
subcritical crack growth reduces σ_f for
cleavage.

MUST INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS —
SUBJECT OF SEPARATE LECTURE

LOW-TEMPERATURE PLASTICITY

DISLOCATION GLIDE

1. Plastic flow in crystalline solids by movement of dislocations on slip planes
2. If polycrystal is to deform homogeneously without fracture
 - 5 INDEPENDENT SLIP SYSTEMS NEEDED
 - Von Mises' criterion
3. If non-homogeneous deformation allowed
 - 4 systems give compatible, but not uniform deformation
3. In silicates strong COVALENT bonds common and so strength of crystal fluctuates as d_n moves
 - Applied force \propto slope of energy/distance curve
 - Poirer's resistance or lattice resistance
4. Obstacles: impurities, precipitates, other d_n 's can also obstruct glide.
 - Effect only visible if energy hill due to presence is greater than for intrinsic lattice resistance.

In pile-ups at
g.b.'s can lead to
crack nucleation

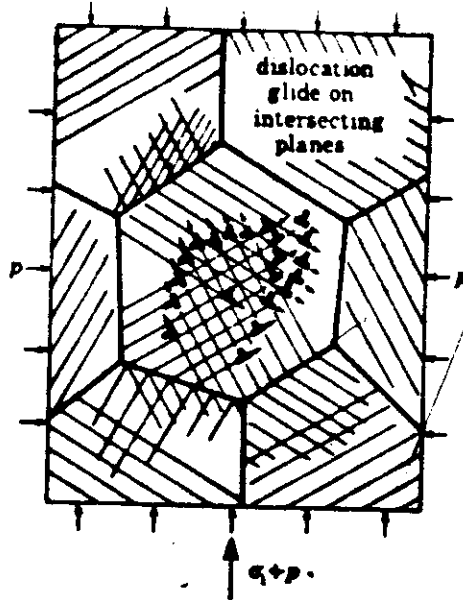


FIGURE 4. Low-temperature plasticity. The gliding motion of several sets of dislocations permits compatible deformation of the grains of a polycrystalline solid.

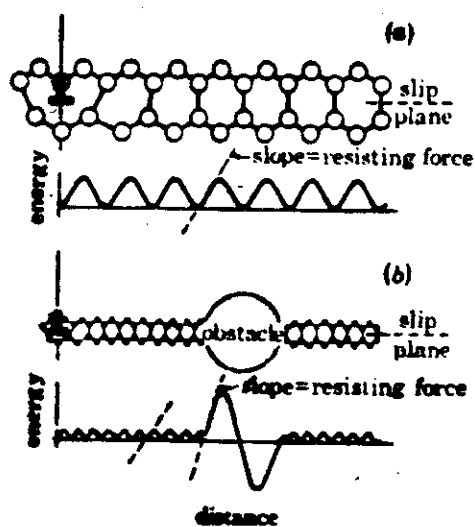


FIGURE 5. The yield strength reflects the force required to move a dislocation. In silicates such as olivine, the structure itself resists the motion, and the strength is said to be 'lattice resistance controlled' (a). Strong discrete obstacles - such as other dislocations - can sometimes determine the yield strength, which is then said to be 'obstacle-controlled' (b).

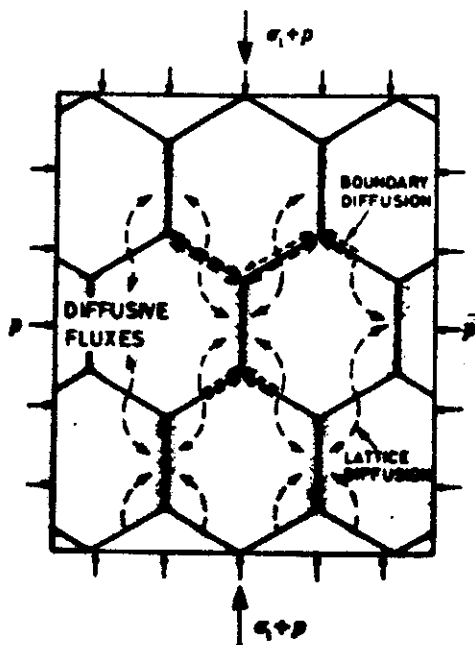


FIGURE 7. Diffusional flow. A deviatoric stress sets up differences in the chemical potential throughout the material, which then diffuse as shown by the broken lines, depending on the dislocation density.

DISLOCATION GLIDE

LATTICE RESISTANCE

$$\dot{\epsilon} = \dot{\epsilon}_p \left(\frac{\sigma_s}{\mu} \right)^2 \exp \left\{ - \frac{\Delta F_p}{kT} \left[1 - \left(\frac{\sigma_s}{\hat{\tau}_p} \right)^{3/4} \right]^{4/3} \right\}$$

$\dot{\epsilon}_p$: pre-exponential constant

ΔF_p : act. energy for lattice resistance

$\hat{\tau}_p$: flow stress at 0°K

Because ΔF_p small, strengthening due to lattice resistance drops as T raised until it is less than that of discrete obstacles

OBSTACLE RESISTANCE

$$\dot{\epsilon} = \dot{\epsilon}_0 \exp \left\{ (-\Delta F_o / kT) (1 - \tau_s / \hat{\tau}_o) \right\}$$

ΔF_o : act. energy for cutting/passing obstacles

$\hat{\tau}_o$: flow stress at 0°K if obstacles acted alone

Work hardening common - but flow stress saturation at strains ≥ 1

DISLOCATION GLIDE Effect of Pressure

lattice expansion
due to presence
of σ_n is small
compared to these
terms

Account for by influence on

$$\Delta F_0, \Delta F_p$$

$$\hat{\tau}_0, \hat{\tau}_p$$

ΔF scales as μb^3 } shear modulus and.
 $\hat{\tau}$ scales as μ } Burgers vector
depend on pressure

e.g. b.c.c. metals $\Delta F \approx 0.07 \mu b^3$
 $\hat{\tau} \approx 0.01 \mu$

μ increases more rapidly than b^3 decreases
with pressure

Thus p raises ΔF and $\hat{\tau}$

$$d\left(\frac{\sigma_s}{\mu_0}\right) / d\left(\frac{p}{K_0}\right) = \left[\frac{K_0}{\mu_0} \frac{d\mu}{dp} \right]$$

K_0 = bulk modulus 300 K, 1 bar

μ_0 = shear modulus 300 K, 1 bar

As Temp. is raised (where $\hat{\tau}_0, \Delta F_0$ increase with p)

$$\sigma_s = \hat{\tau}_0(p) \left\{ 1 - \left[kT / \Delta F_0(p) \right] \ln \frac{\dot{\epsilon}_0}{\dot{\epsilon}} \right\}$$

Thus:

At fixed $(T, \dot{\epsilon})$ Pressure dependence of σ_s

INCREASES with increasing temperature -14-

DIFFUSIONAL FLOW

Compressive stress raises chemical potential of ions on the grain boundaries.

If there is a difference in stress between boundaries and if atoms can be detached and re-attached freely then matter will flow through or round grains at a rate determined by diffusion.

If both lattice and grain boundary diffusion possible then (shear strain rate)

$$\dot{\epsilon} = 42 D_{\text{eff}} \sigma_s \Omega / k T d^3$$

d = grain diameter Ω = atomic volume

D_{eff} = effective diffusion coefficient, d = grain size

For a one-component system

$$D_{\text{eff}} = D_v \left[1 + (\pi \delta / d) (D_b / D_v) \right]$$

D_v = lattice diffusion coefficient

δD_b = boundary diffusion path thickness \times g.b. diffusion coefficient

If D_v fastest — Nabarro — Herring } creep
If δD_b fastest — Coble }

GRAIN BOUNDARY WIDTH

$$\delta = 2b \quad \text{metals}$$

But ionic/covalent solids have much larger disturbed region near free surface as absence of free electrons means that surface effects cannot be easily screened out

Where measurements have been made on ceramics

$$\delta \approx 10 \rightarrow 100 b$$

These seem more realistic for minerals

HOWEVER : Nature of grain boundary region in minerals in presence of interstitial pore fluids is one of major ignorance in rock deformation at present.

EFFECTIVE DIFFUSION IN MULTI- COMPONENT SYSTEMS

e.g. in 2-component system AB_n

$$D_V = \frac{D_V^A D_V^B}{(1-X_A) D_V^A + X_A D_V^B}$$

X = atom-fraction of A in compound

The slower moving component determines the diffusion coefficient, and so limits the creep rate

Similar conclusion holds for > 2 components.

e.g. In many oxides oxygen is the largest ion and the one which diffuses most slowly

Value of Ω also depends on nature of diffusing species

e.g. of O^{2-} limits mass transport in olivine $(Mg, Fe)_2 SiO_4$

Arrival of one oxygen ion at grain boundary accompanied by $\frac{1}{4}$ silicon ion and $\frac{1}{2}$ (Mg, Fe) ion — in total $\frac{1}{4}$ molecular volume of $(Mg, Fe)_2 SiO_4$

Ω

SUPER PLASTIC FLOW

1. Continuity of material during diffusional flow only maintained if sliding displacements occur in the plane of the boundary

Diffusional flow can be regarded as diffusion-accommodated grain boundary sliding.

2. Implicit in derivation of diffusion creep equation is condition
 - (a) grains must suffer same shape change as specimen itself
 - (b) grains may not change neighbours
 3. If constraints 2(a) and 2(b) relaxed, grains can slide past each other, change neighbours, and change shape by diffusion only where necessary to maintain continuity.
- This large strain variant of diffusion creep is known as **SUPERPLASTIC CREEP**

Rate equation has same form as that for diffusion creep, but is faster by a constant factor of ~ 5

INFLUENCE OF PRESSURE ON DIFFUSIONAL FLOW

Pressure slows diffusion because it increases the energy required for an atom to jump from one site to another, and because it may cause vacancy concentration to decrease.

Vacancy diffusion coefficient

$$D = K a^2 n_v \omega$$

K = crystal structure factor (p independent)
 a = lattice parameter (weakly p dependent)

Most pressure dependence is associated with

atom fraction of vacancies, n_v
and
frequency factor, ω

EFFECT OF PRESSURE ON VACANCY CONCENTRATION

Introducing a vacancy raises the volume of a solid by V_f

and work pV_f is done against external pressure, p .

Thus pressure increases vacancy formation energy and so vacancy concentration at thermal equilibrium decreases

$$\Delta G_f = \Delta G_f^{\circ} + pV_f$$

where superscript $^{\circ}$ = zero pressure, then

$$n_v = \exp \left\{ -(\Delta G_f^{\circ} + pV_f) / kT \right\}$$

ΔG_f = energy of formation of vacancy

Thus a linear increase in pressure \rightarrow exponential decrease in vacancy concentration

In ionic substances removing ion exposes surrounding ionic shell to repulsive forces \rightarrow large expansion up to $2\sqrt{2}^{\circ}$

Covalent - like hard shells \rightarrow moderate expansion $\sim \sqrt{2}^{\circ}$

EFFECT OF PRESSURE ON VACANCY CONCENTRATION

EFFECT OF PRESSURE ON JUMP FREQUENCY

In diffusion an ion vibrating about one position jumps to a vacant position via an activated state.

During this jump its free energy of motion, ΔG_m , increases the total free energy.

The frequency, ω , of such jumps is

$$\omega = \nu \exp(-\Delta G_m / kT)$$

ν = vibration frequency of atom in ground state.

In passing through an activated state an ion DISTORTS its surroundings.

If bonding is local (as in covalent) most of energy of motion goes into bond breaking and not elastic distortion and hence does not give as much volume expansion.

$$D = D^0 (1 - 2p/3K^0) \exp(-pV^*/kT)$$

$$D^0 = \alpha(a^0)^2 \nu \exp(-\{\Delta G_f + \Delta G_m\} / kT)$$

= diffusion coefficient at zero pressure

and $V^* = V_f + V_n$ intrinsic diffusion

$V^* = V_n$ extrinsic diffusion

Measurements show $V^* \approx 0 \rightarrow 2.5$

DISLOCATION (POWER-LAW) CREEP

Between high-temperature regime of diffusional flow and low-temperature regime of dislocation glide plasticity

Creep occurs by: d_n glide, d_n climb and cell or polygon formation, gb sliding

$$\text{Strain rate} \propto [\text{stress}]^n$$

$$\text{where } n = 3 \rightarrow 10$$

Cell size is stress dependent. Cells have only slight ($\sim 2^\circ$) angular misorientation.

Many sophisticated models for power-law creep - all give correct form of equation, but fail to accurately predict the constant n (or A ; $\dot{\epsilon} = A\sigma^n$)

Can simply be regarded as a kind of diffusional flow where instead of grains, the sources and sinks for diffusional flow are the sub-grain, or cell, boundaries.

Add in the complication that

- (i) because cells are smaller than grains - creep rate is fast
- (ii) cell size itself depends on stress so creep is NOT Newtonian - viscous.

$$d_{\text{cell}} / \text{atom size} \sim \mu / \sigma_s$$

POWER-LAW CREEP

Creep Equation is

$$\dot{\epsilon} = A \left(D \mu b / kT \right) \left(\sigma_s / \mu \right)^n$$

A and n must be regarded as empirical quantities to be determined by experiment.

Probably because there are several sorts of power-law creep.

USE WITH CAUTION: but Stoker/Ashby find EMPIRICAL relation

$$n \approx 3 + 0.3 \log A$$

OTHER PROBLEMS:

1. If stress $> 10^{-3} \mu$ power-law breaks down because dis glide makes a greater contribution to strain rate - get

broad transition from power \rightarrow exponential creep.

2. At high temperatures material may recrystallize as it creeps.

The waves of recrystallization wash out the cells and give rise to repeated surges of primary creep.

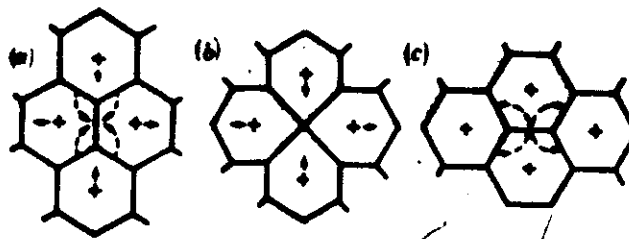


FIGURE 8. Diffusional flow when strains are large. If grains change their neighbours, the sample can undergo a large deformation while the grains alter their shape only slightly. At small strains (a) the diffusive paths, and the creep rate, are identical with those of figure 7, but at large strains (b) and (c) the paths differ and the rate is higher. Superplasticity in metals can be explained in this way.

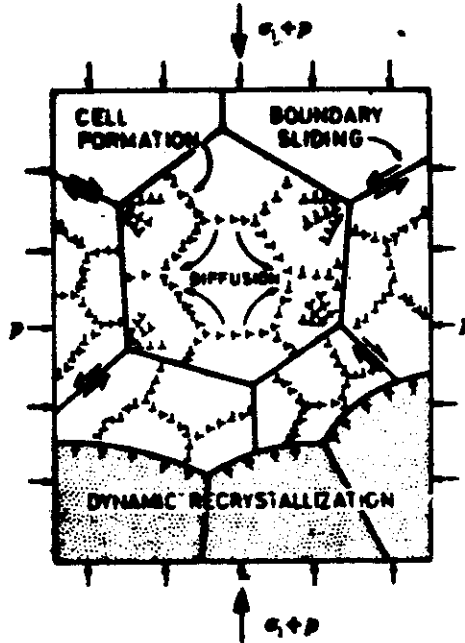


FIGURE 10. Power-law creep. The cells which form are the basis of the model described in the text, but the creep is complicated by grain-boundary sliding and by periodic recrystallization.

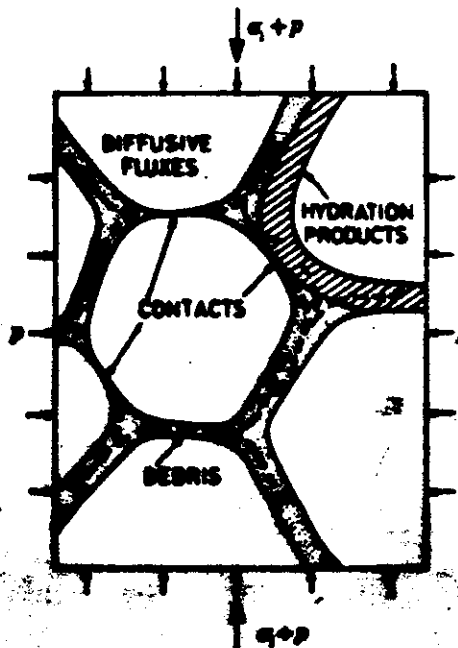


FIGURE 11. Fluid phase transport. A liquid film surrounding the granules in the Earth's crust, is unlike the magma in the mantle, a basic melt. The film provides a high-mobility path for the transport of ions of the solid, permitting creep, but its thickness at the critical points of contact is hard to estimate.

INFLUENCE OF PRESSURE ON POWER LAW CREEP

Activation volume - V^* shows the influence

Material	Structure	V^*/Ω° diffusion	V^*/Ω° creep
Pb	fcc	0.8	0.76
Na	bcc	0.4	0.41
Zn	hcp	0.55	0.65
AgBr	rock salt	1.9	1.9
Sn	tetragonal	0.3	0.31
P	tetragonal	0.5	0.44

Thus: effect of pressure is mainly through its influence on diffusion rates.

FLUID PHASE TRANSPORT

Ubiquitous pore water in crust

Partial melt in mantle

fast diffusion liquid path ↓

Various attempts to model this process as a creep mechanism.

All produce essentially a Coble-creep type equation with appropriately faster diffusion rates.

All models have great difficulty in predicting the width of the high diffusivity path at critical contact points.

PROBLEM: Stress can only be transferred between grains if the liquid is squeezed out at the contact point, or reduced to essentially molecular thickness.

Thickness of layer and diffusion rates in it are open questions.

Physically - there may be a porous solid hydration product - essentially a thick g.b. boundary or porous debris, such as clay particles may accumulate at g.b.s to allow rapid ionic transport. TRANT & SEPANEK 1970

INFLUENCE OF TEXTURE / FABRIC

1. Creep by dislocation motion leads to preferred crystallographic orientation
2. Diffusion creep destroys preferred orientation

Both give grain SHAPE orientation.

Flow involving dislocation motion may be accelerated or decelerated by presence of a texture — depends on orientation of stresses.

If texture near perfect - material behaves like a single crystal.

DYNAMIC RECRYSTALLIZATION

Above ca. $0.6 T_m$ recrystallization
+ creep

The new g.b.'s remove cells and tangles
of dislocations.

They soften the material and allow a new
cycle of primary creep.

Enhancement of creep rate depends on
number of waves of recrystallization per
unit creep strain.

In materials with few easy slip systems,

e.g. Ice, dynamic recrystallization
has a much more important
influence on creep.

It seems to recrystallize locally throughout
creep and thus relieve internal
stresses that might otherwise lead to
cracking.

HARPER - DORN CREEP

6. Existence of chemical stress is not enough to ensure a larger than normal $\dot{\epsilon}$ density. The effect of the frequency of the T cycling as well as the change in point defect concentration caused by $\dot{\epsilon}$ motion must be considered.

7. If T cycle period is ^{very} small, amplitude of $\dot{\epsilon}$ climb motion will be small and if the $\dot{\epsilon}$ cannot climb the typical distance between dislocations in a T cycle then the T cycling cannot affect the overall $\dot{\epsilon}$ density. At very long T cycle re-equilibration of $\dot{\epsilon}$ structure occurs. There is an optimum range of T frequency for HD creep.

At shorter or longer periods the temperature cycling should not affect the $\dot{\epsilon}$ density.

8. Thus HD creep, on above arguments, cannot be an important creep mechanism in the mantle where T fluctuations must have an exceedingly long time period.

HARPER - DORN CREEP

1. Werten / Blacic believe that HD creep is an artifact of low-amplitude thermal cycling.
2. Poirier et al. find HD creep is $KZnF_2$ which they regard as a perovskite analogue for $MgSiO_3$ in the lower mantle. If true might imply Newtonian viscosity in lower mantle.
3. PROBLEM: Dislocation density in HD creep is virtually independent of stress, yet would have expected it to range over 3 orders of magnitude
4. If a cyclic stress of amplitude σ_c is placed on specimen in addition to applied stress, then if $\sigma_c \gg \sigma$ the dislocation density is determined by σ_c and not σ .
5. Cyclic mechanical stress experiments are likely to be small, but a cyclic thermal stress may be present and its magnitude could be appreciable. Even if temperature amplitude of $\pm 1K \rightarrow \pm 2K$, and instantaneous value of point defect concentration lags behind instantaneous equilibrium value, a cyclic chemical stress will act on dislocations.
For typical values
$$\sigma_c \approx Q_f \frac{\Delta T}{T^2}$$

(formation energy of defect (lattice vacancy))
amplitude of T

$\sigma_c \approx 3-6 \text{ MPa}$
which is large compared to max. stress in most HD experiments

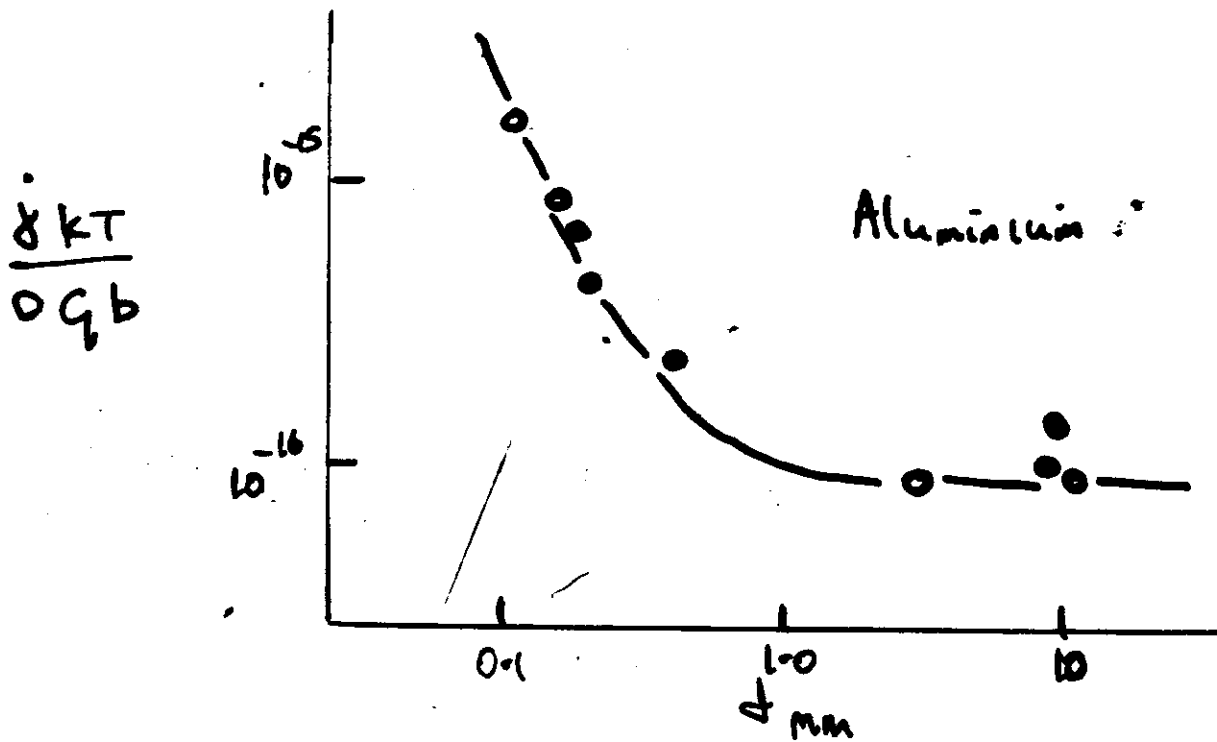
HAPPER - DORN CREEP

1. At high temperatures and low stresses creep of some materials is

- (i) linearly related to stress
- (ii) activation energy close to lattice diffusion
- (iii) BUT up to 3 orders of magnitude faster than predicted by Nabarro-Herring creep.
- (iv) Apparently INDEPENDENT of grain size.

$$\frac{kT}{Dgb} \dot{\gamma}_{HD} = A \left(\frac{\sigma_s}{G} \right)$$

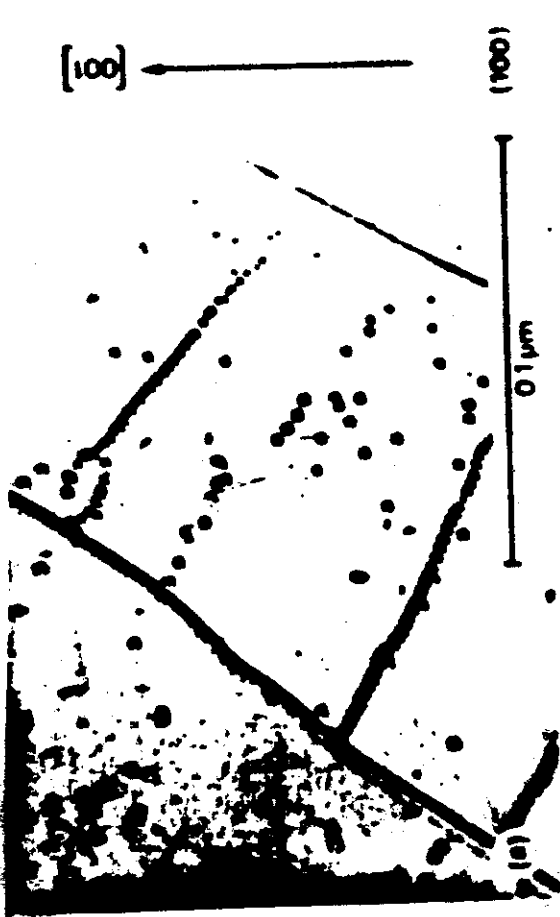
2. Transition from HD to NH creep at a grain size d_c given by
- ← minimal cost in NH creep gradient
- $$d_c = b(B/A)^{1/2}$$



3. Explanations based on various theories proposed, but none widely accepted.

INTERPRETATION OF NATURAL ROCK TEXTURES

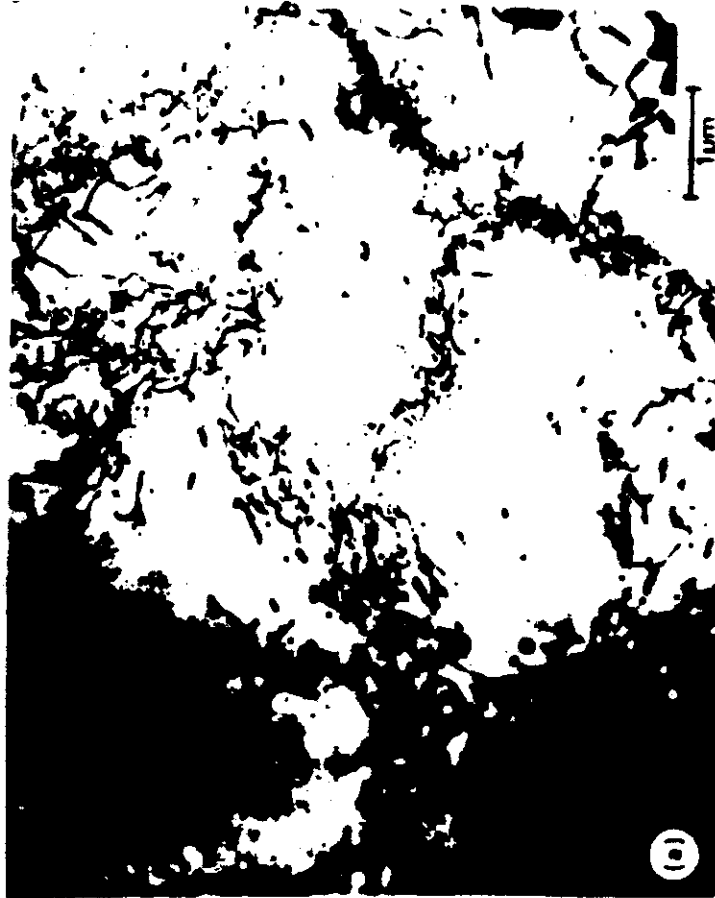
1. When using microscopic evidence of deformation mechanisms as guide to dominant mechanisms in nature - must be cautious.
2. Prograde metamorphism results in water release
5-11% → 1-2% - bound water
zeolite amphibolite
∴ high pore fluid pressures
3. Retrograde metamorphism, uplift + cooling leads to absorption of water.
∴ Fluid pressures will be lower than σ_3
porosity + permeability may be low until cracks form.
4. Thus any strain^{in retrograde metamorphism} is likely to involve a different set of mechanisms to prograde metamorphism and this record will be imprinted on rocks returning to surface.
Thus 'dry' deformation textures might erroneously be thought to account for all strain the rock has sustained.



(a) TlI subgrain boundaries revealed by etch-pits on the (100) cleaved surface of halite single crystal. Creep deformation at $T = 740^\circ\text{C}$, $\sigma = 35\text{ g/mm}^2$, $\epsilon = 24\%$.



(b) Subgrains revealed by Berg-Barrett topogram in a spinel single crystal deformed by creep at $T = 1450^\circ\text{C}$, $\sigma = 5\text{ kg/mm}^2$, $\epsilon = 7\%$. Surface (100). (Photograph by R. Ducton)

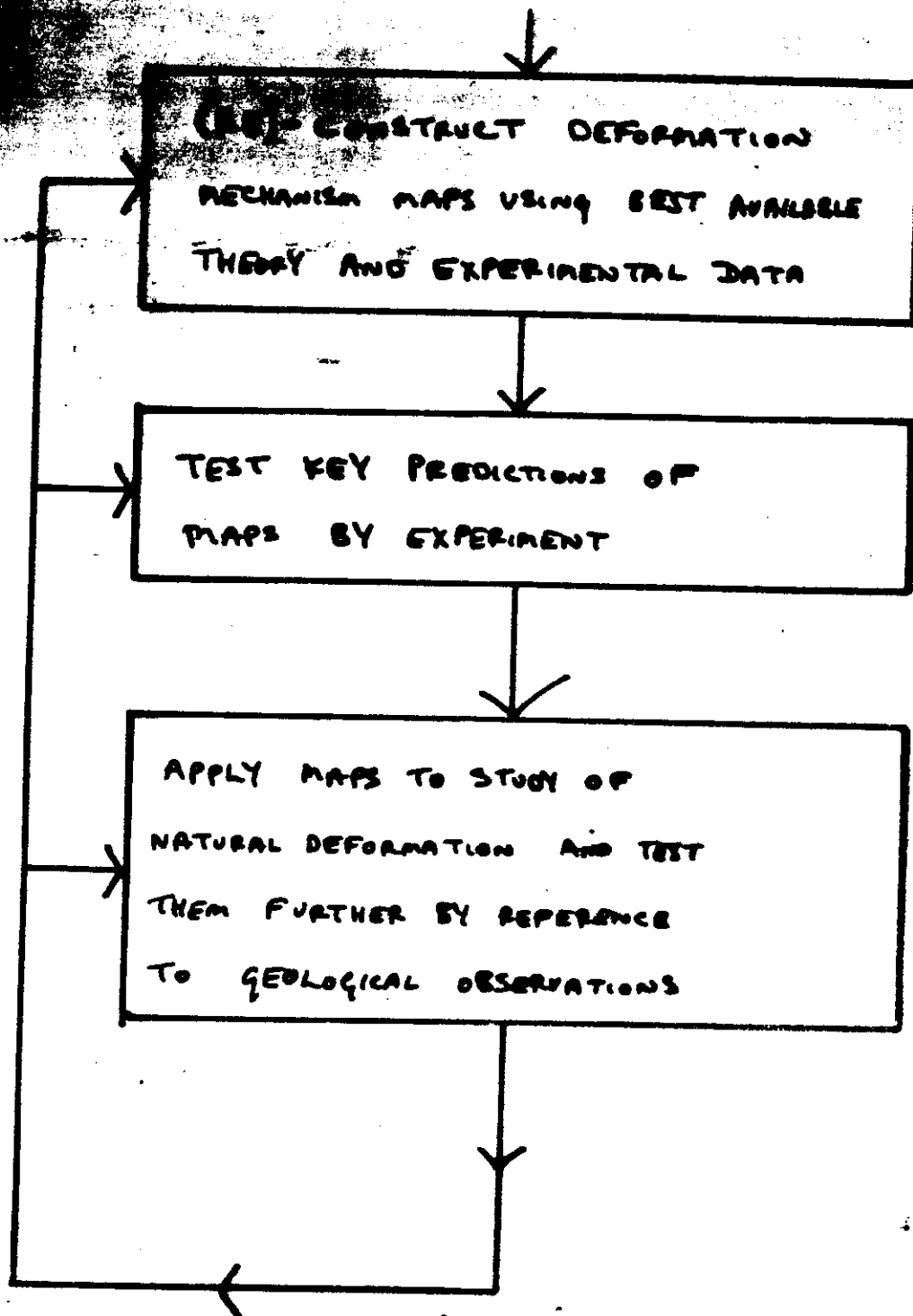


(a) Cellular dislocation structure in beryllium deformed at 175°C (cold work) (TEM). The plane of the foil is (0001). (Photograph by J. Amelin)



(b) Dislocation wall enclosing a subgrain in an orthoclase crystal deformed ($T = 500^\circ\text{C}$, $P = 2\text{ kbar}$) (TEM). (Photograph by M. Gaudin, C. Gauthier, C. Willemann)

FLOW CHART FOR DEVELOPMENT OF DEFORMATION MAPS



Stress exponent for Dislocation Creep, n (PbS)

Adams + Sherry (1973)

Binary compounds n falls into one of 2 groups depending upon relative sizes of compounds - constituent atomic species

Radius ratio < 2 $n = 5$

Radius ratio > 2 $n = 3$

From data of Pauling (1970) n for galena in high-temperature dislocation creep = 5.

This is compatible with high-temperature (700°C) creep experiments on single crystals of galena by Seltzer (1967), and Atkinson (1978) on polycrystals.

But not with lower temperature ($200^{\circ} - 400^{\circ}\text{C}$) constant strain rate experiments by Atkinson (1976) who found $n = 7$.

Resolve by considering 2 variants of dislocation creep:

- low-temperature (dislocation core diffusion controlled)

$$\dot{\epsilon} \propto \sigma^{n+2} \propto \sigma^7$$

- high-temperature (volume diffusion controlled)

$$\dot{\epsilon} \propto \sigma^n \propto \sigma^5$$

LIMITATIONS OF MAPS

1. Consider only steady-state plastic flow.
"cataclastic" - and strain-dependent effects ignored, or modelled crudely.

2. Not all possible mechanisms of plastic flow considered:
e.g. "Superplastic" flow
Because of the lack of acceptable rate equations.

N.B. incorporation of a new mechanism may radically alter the form of a deformation-mechanism map.

3. Calculation of strain rate contours is rather artificial. Ignores contribution to total strain rate of mechanisms in adjacent fields.
Near field boundaries there are substantial regions of stress where 2 or more mechanisms make comparable contributions to the total strain rate.

e.g. SLIDE grain size: 4×10^{-4} m

This has important microstructural implications.

e.g. shape change of grains may be mainly by diffusion creep
yet after deformation probably only dislocation creep
leaves easily discernible evidence behind.

4. MAPS ARE ONLY AS GOOD AS THEIR DATA BASE

GEOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS OF DEFORMATION MECHANISM MAPS

From form of maps, if we know any 3 of variables stress, temperature, strain rate and grain size:

- (1) we can identify the dominant mechanism
- (2) we can estimate the value of the 4th variable.

GALENA

Example: Mt. Isa, Australia

Roseberry, Tasmania

ASSUMPTIONS	Temperature:	200°C	300°C
	Grain size: (before metamorphism)	10 μ m	10 μ m
	Strain rate (folding)	$10^{-11} \rightarrow 10^{-14} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$10^{-11} \rightarrow 10^{-14} \text{ s}^{-1}$
INFERENCES	Dominant mechanism	Coble CREEP	Coble CREEP
	Steady state flow stresses	0.17 \rightarrow 110 bars $1.7 \times 10^4 \rightarrow 1.1 \times 10^7 \text{ Pa}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-3} \rightarrow 2.8 \text{ bars}$ $2.8 \times 10^2 \text{ Pa} \rightarrow 2.8 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$

Samples cut from a hydrothermally grown synthetic quartz crystal with 370 ppm hydroxyl were tested at constant compressive load at atmospheric pressure over a range of temperature $T = 400$ – 800°C , axial stress $\sigma = 800$ – 2000 bar, and duration of load $t = 37$ min to 2 months. Two orientations of compression were chosen: O° (45° to $[2\bar{1}10]$ and to $[0001]$) and $1m$ (perpendicular to $(01\bar{1}0)$). Plastic strains up to 10% shortening were achieved. Microcracking was minor or absent. We report the following contrasts in behavior in the two orientations of compression:

Orientation	O°	$1m$
Major slip system	$(2\bar{1}10)$ (c)	Duplex $(10\bar{1}0)$ (a)
Creep curve shape	Incubation stage Accelerating creep rates Hardening stage Decelerating creep rates Tertiary stage Failure only for $T = 600$ – 650°C	No significant incubation stage Hardening stage only No tertiary stage
Relative creep rates	High	Low
Activation energies For creep, kcal mol $^{-1}$		
α -quartz field	22 ± 1	51 ± 2
β -quartz field	22 ± 2	28 ± 2
Stress exponent, n		
α -quartz field	2.9 ± 0.2	5.3 ± 0.5
β -quartz field		2.4 ± 0.3

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TABLE 1. Experimental Flow Law Parameters, Synthetic Quartz Crystal X-507

TABLE 1. Experimental Flow Law Parameters, Synthetic Quartz						
Compression Orientation	$\log_{10} A$, bar ⁻ⁿ	Activation Energy for Creep, E_a *, kcal/mol			Stress Exponent, n	
		α -quartz field	β -quartz field	α & β -quartz field	α -quartz field	β -quartz field
O*	-2.9	E_a * determined at $\sigma = 1400$ bar			3.0 ± 0.2	
		22.3 ± 1.0	21.7 ± 1.8	21.8 ± 0.4		
		E_a * determined at $\sigma = 1000$ bar				
O*		20.4 ± 0.6				
1m	-2.5 -2.7	E_a * determined at $\sigma = 1400$ bar			5.3 ± 0.5	
		50.9 ± 2.0	27.5 ± 1.8	24.6 ± 1.8	2.4 ± 0.3	

Strain rates picked at the maximum strain rate.

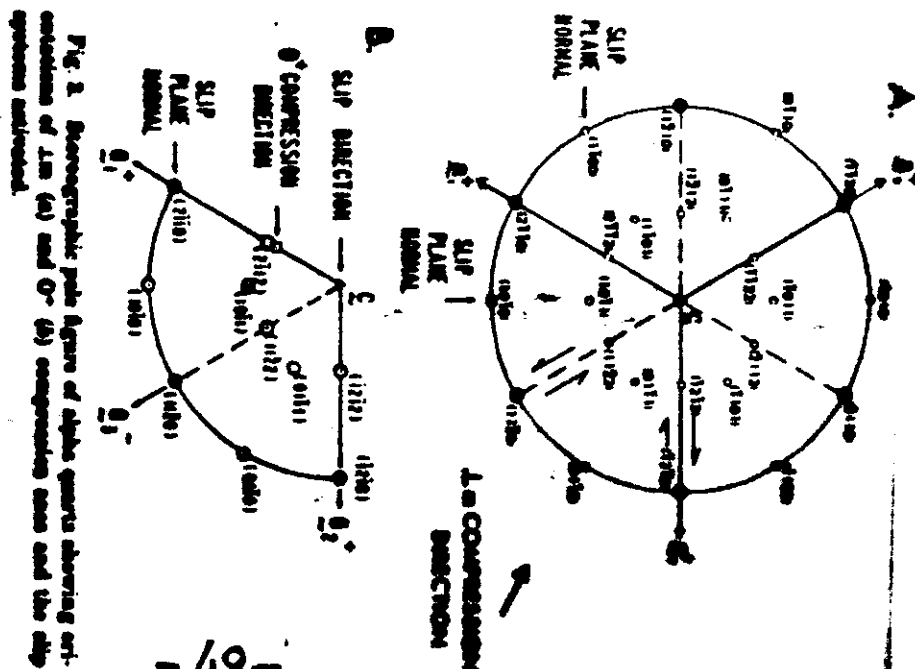


TABLE 1. Slip Systems Identified in Quartz

α Quartz (32)		β Quartz (622)	
a = 4.91Å, c = 5.40Å		a = 5.02Å, c = 5.48Å	
Direction	Plane	Direction	Plane
$\underline{a} \langle 2\bar{1}10 \rangle$	(0001) c (0111) c (0111) r (0110) m (0112) m	$\underline{a} \langle 2\bar{1}10 \rangle$	(0001) c (1100) m (0111) m (0111) r (0112) m (0113) m
$\underline{c} [0001]$	(1100) m (2110) a	$\underline{c} [0001]$	(1100) m (2110) a
$\langle \underline{a} + \underline{a} \rangle \langle 2\bar{1}13 \rangle$	(0110) m (1011) m (2112) l	$\langle \underline{c} + \underline{c} \rangle \langle 2\bar{1}13 \rangle$	(0110) m (1011) m (2112) l (1121) m
		$\langle \underline{c} + \underline{a} \rangle \langle 2\bar{1}11 \rangle$	1013 m 1123 m

Sources: Carter et al. [1964]; Christie et al. [1964a]; Christie and Green [1964]; Bata and Ashbee [1967, 1969a]; Heard and Carter [1968]; Harrison-Smith [1974]; Harrison-Smith et al. [1976]; Weiss [1976]. Italicized letters with directions are the crystal axes and those with planes are the Dana symbols for the crystallographic forms [Fronzel, 1962, p. 40]; these are commonly used instead of the slip planes in discussions of the slip systems.

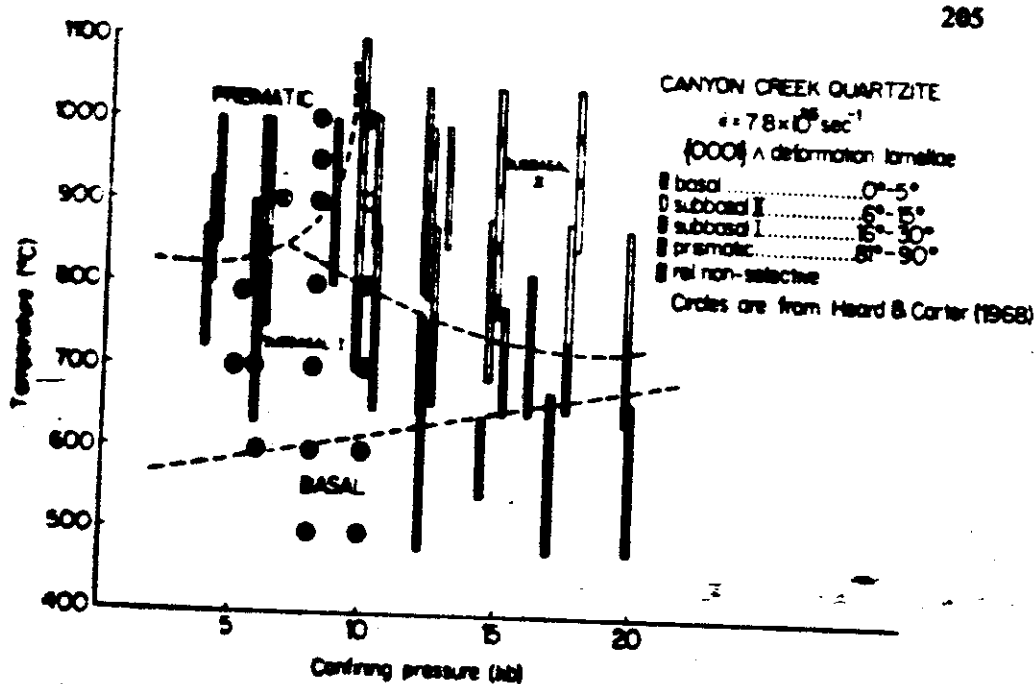
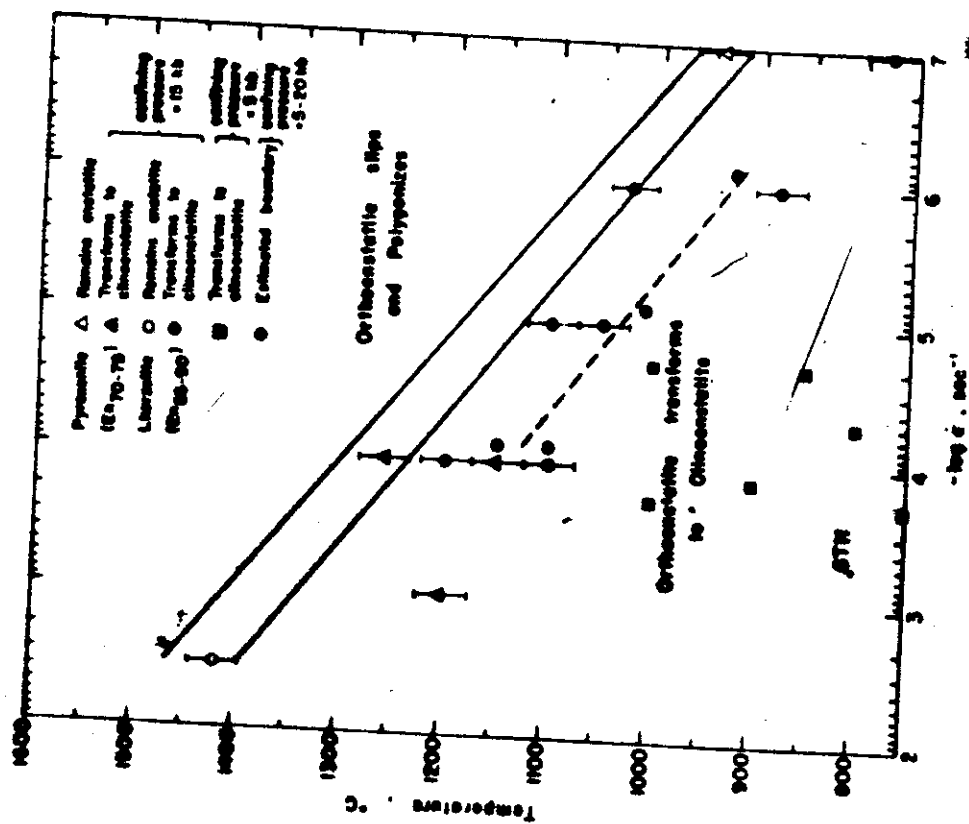


Fig. 5.28. Orientation of deformation lamellae (angle with (0001)) according to temperature and confining pressure for an experimentally deformed quartzite. (Reproduced by permission of The American Journal of Science, from Avé Lallemant and Carter, *Amer. J. Sci.*, 270, 218, Fig. 7 (1971))



Tilt dislocation wall in an enstatite grain of a peridotite nodule from kimberlites, equilibrated between 1200°C and 1400°C (TEM). Note intersecting fault ribbons with fringed contrast (Photograph by V. Geesqun).

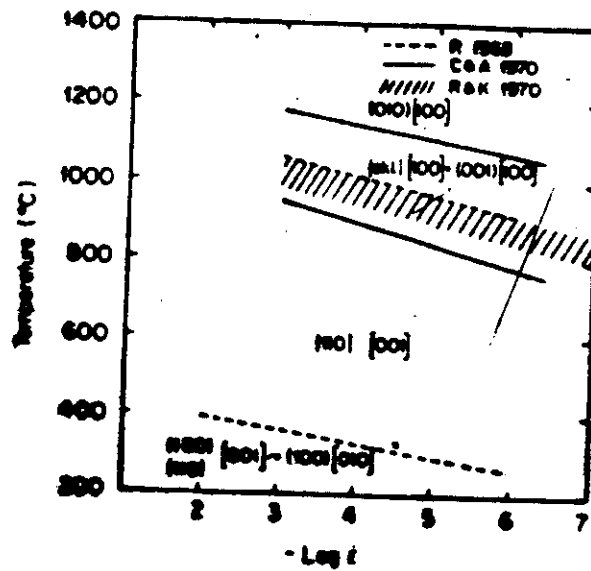


Fig. 5.3. Olivine systems of olivine as a function of temperature and deformation rate

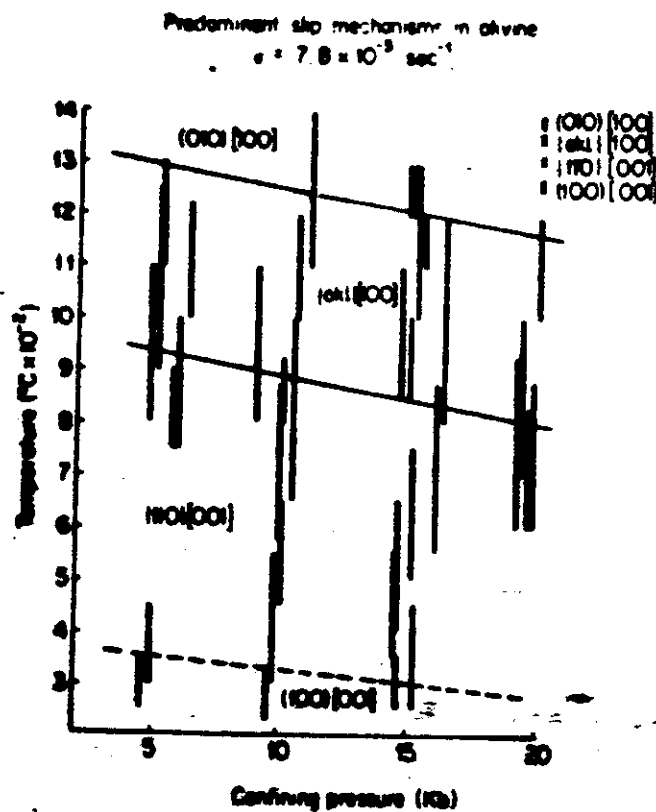


Fig. 5.4. Olivine systems of olivine as a function of temperature and confining pressure (Carter and Arndt, 1976). Vertical bars show results from single specimens in a given temperature range. (Reproduced by permission of The Geological Society of America)

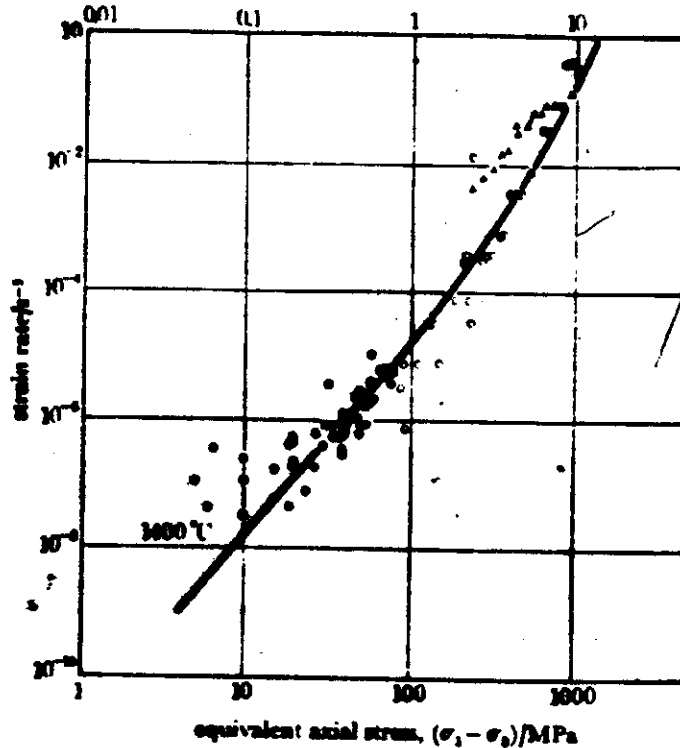
TABLE 1. MATERIAL PROPERTIES FOR OLIVINE

material property	symbol	value	units	remarks
molecular volume per oxygen ion at 1 atm.†	Ω^o	1.23×10^{-29}	m ³	This value used for diffusional flow, equation (5.1)
oxygen ion volume at 1 atm.	Ω_i^o	1.15×10^{-29}	m ³	This value used for activation volumes, equation (5.9).
Burgers vector at 1 atm.	b^o	6.0×10^{-10}	m	An average of several values - § 4
melting point at 1 atm.	T_m	2140	K	
shear modulus at 300 K and 1 atm.	μ^o	8.13×10^{10}	Pa	} See §§ 2.2 and 2.3 for references
T -dependence of shear modulus	$(T_m/\mu^o)(d\mu/dT)$	0.25	—	
P -dependence of shear modulus	$d\mu/dP$	1.9	—	
bulk modulus at 300 K and 1 atm.	K^o	1.27×10^{11}	Pa	} See §§ 2.2 and 2.3 for references
T -dependence of bulk modulus	$(T_m/K^o)(dK/dT)$	0.26	—	
P -dependence of bulk modulus	dK/dP	5.1	—	
pre-exponential, lattice diffusion	D_o	0.1	m ² /s	} The data are discussed in § 5 and plotted in figure 9
activation energy, lattice diffusion	Q_o	252	kJ/mol	
activation volume/oxygen ion volume	V^o/Ω_i	0-1	—	
pre-exponential, boundary diffusion	δD_o	1×10^{-20}	m ² /s	There are no data for olivine.
activation energy, boundary diffusion	Q_δ	250	kJ/mol	} These are obtained by scaling: $\delta D_o = 10^{-2} D_o$ and $Q_\delta = \frac{1}{2} Q_o$.
activation volume/oxygen ion volume	V^δ/Ω_i	0-1	—	
first creep exponent	n_1	3	—	} See § 6.4 for the rate equation used for power-law creep. The values refer to creep in shear (equation (6.4))
second creep exponent	n_2	5	—	
first creep constant	A_1	0.45	—	
second creep constant	A_2	5.4×10^5	—	} Q_o and V^o are the same as those for lattice diffusion
activation energy for creep	Q_c	252	—	
activation volume/oxygen ion volume	V^c/Ω_i	0-1	—	
flow stress at 0 K, (lattice resistance)/modulus	τ_o/μ	2.3×10^{-3}	—	} This determines the flow stress at 0 K and throughout the plasticity field - see also § 4
pre-exponential for lattice resistance	$\dot{\gamma}_o$	10^{21}	s ⁻¹	
activation energy for lattice resistance	$\Delta F_o/\mu b^2$	0.05	—	
flow stress at 0 K, (obstacle control)/modulus	τ_o/μ	9×10^{-3}	—	} This determines the plateau in the flow stress separating plasticity from power-law creep - see also § 4
pre-exponential, obstacle control	$\dot{\gamma}_o$	10^9	s ⁻¹	
activation energy for obstacle control	$\Delta F_o/\mu b^2$	0.5	—	
dislocation stress in tension modulus	σ_o/μ	5×10^{-3}	—	See § 3 and table 4

† 1 atm = 10^5 Pa.

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{kT} \left[n_1(\bar{\mu}) + n_2(\bar{\mu}) \right] \exp\left(-\frac{\gamma_{ca} r^*}{kT}\right)$$

equivalent axial stress, $(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)/\text{kbar}$

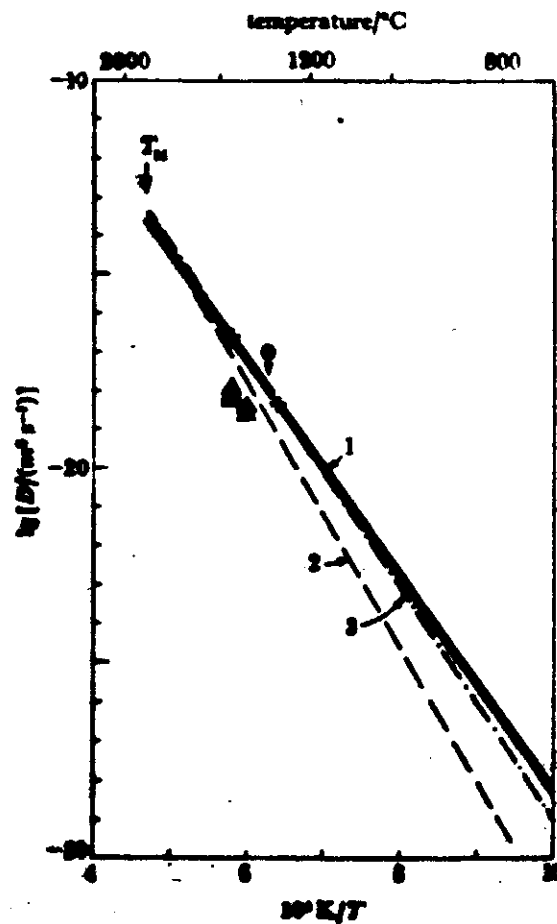


- Carter & Ave' Lallemant (1970)
- Goetze & Brace (1972)
- △ Kirby & Raleigh (1973)
- Kohlstedt & Goetze (1974)

note transition
from $n=3$ to
 $n=5$

No convincing
model for this
so we
empirical
equation above.

FIGURE 12. The creep of dry olivine. The data, normalized to a single temperature (1400 °C) by using an activation energy of 522 kJ/mol, are replotted from the work of Kohlstedt & Goetze (1974).



- (1) $D = 0.1 \exp(-522/RT)$
- (2) Stocker & Ashby (1973)
- (3) Goetze & Kohlstedt (1973)

FIGURE 9. Diffusion of oxygen in olivine. The full line is a plot of the diffusion equation (equation (A.50)) used in §3 to calculate the direction of diffusional flow. Data: \diamond , Goetze & Kohlstedt (1973); \circ , Borchardt & Schmalzer (1970); \triangle , Borchardt (1970).

$p = 1 \text{ bar}$
fracture excluded for simplicity.

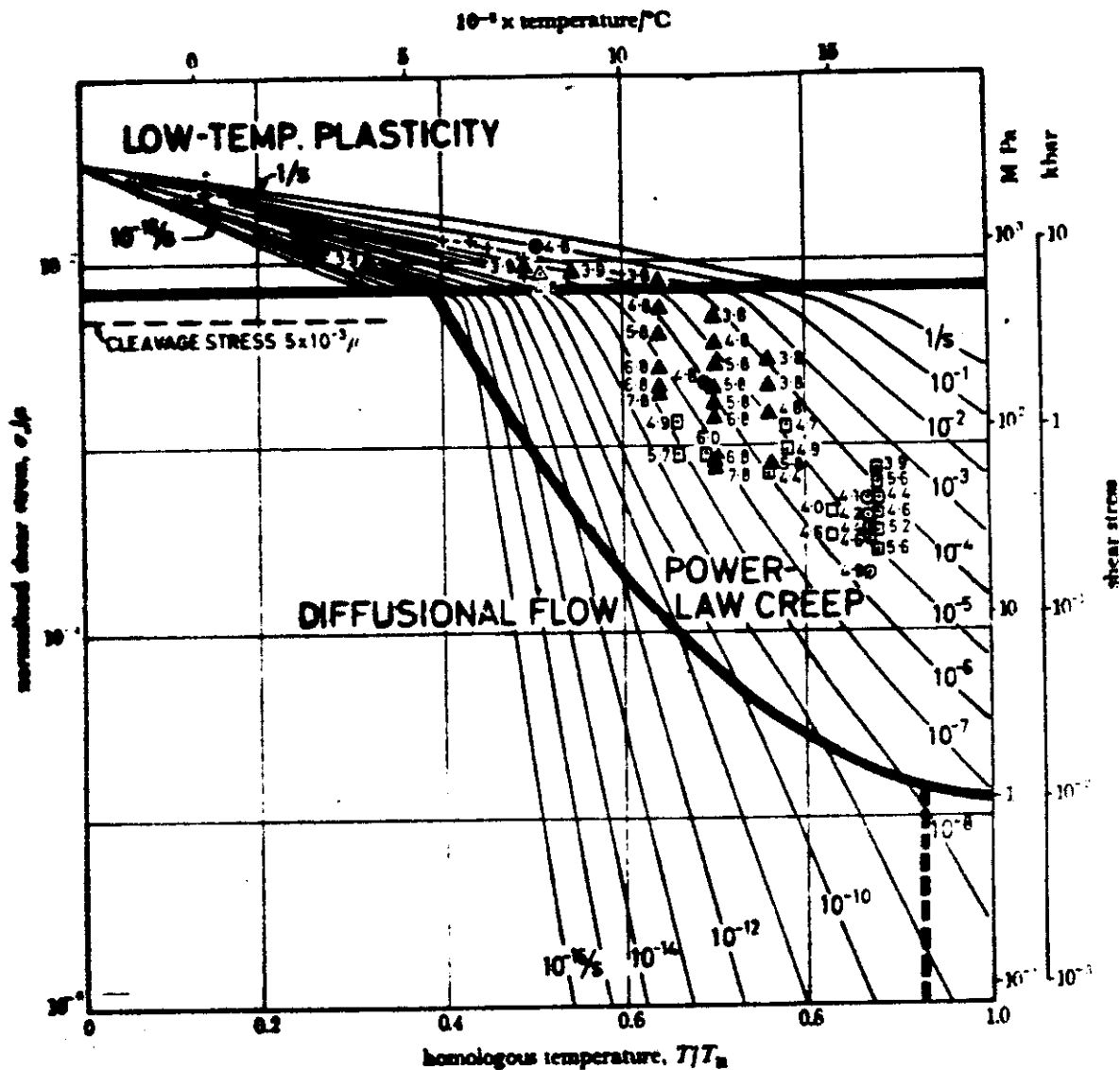


FIGURE 14. A map for olivine with a grain size of 0.1 mm; zero pressure. The symbols identify experimental points, and are labelled with the negative of the logarithm to the base 10 of the observed shear strain-rate. Cleavage was suppressed to show the plasticity field; if a realistic value for σ , were used, the diagram would be truncated at the level marked 'cleavage stress $5 \times 10^{-3} \mu$ '. Data: +, Evans (1976) hardness data; Δ , Carter & Ave' Lallemant (1979) (peridotite, 15 kbar); \odot , Durham *et al.* (1976); \triangle , Phakry *et al.* (1972) (single crystals, hard direction); \circ , Kohlstedt & Goetze (1974); \square , Durham & Goetze (1976).

$$p = 81 \text{ kb}$$

- Compared to 1 kb
- (1) cleavage stress raised
 - (2) plasticity stress raised
 - (3) strain rates slower

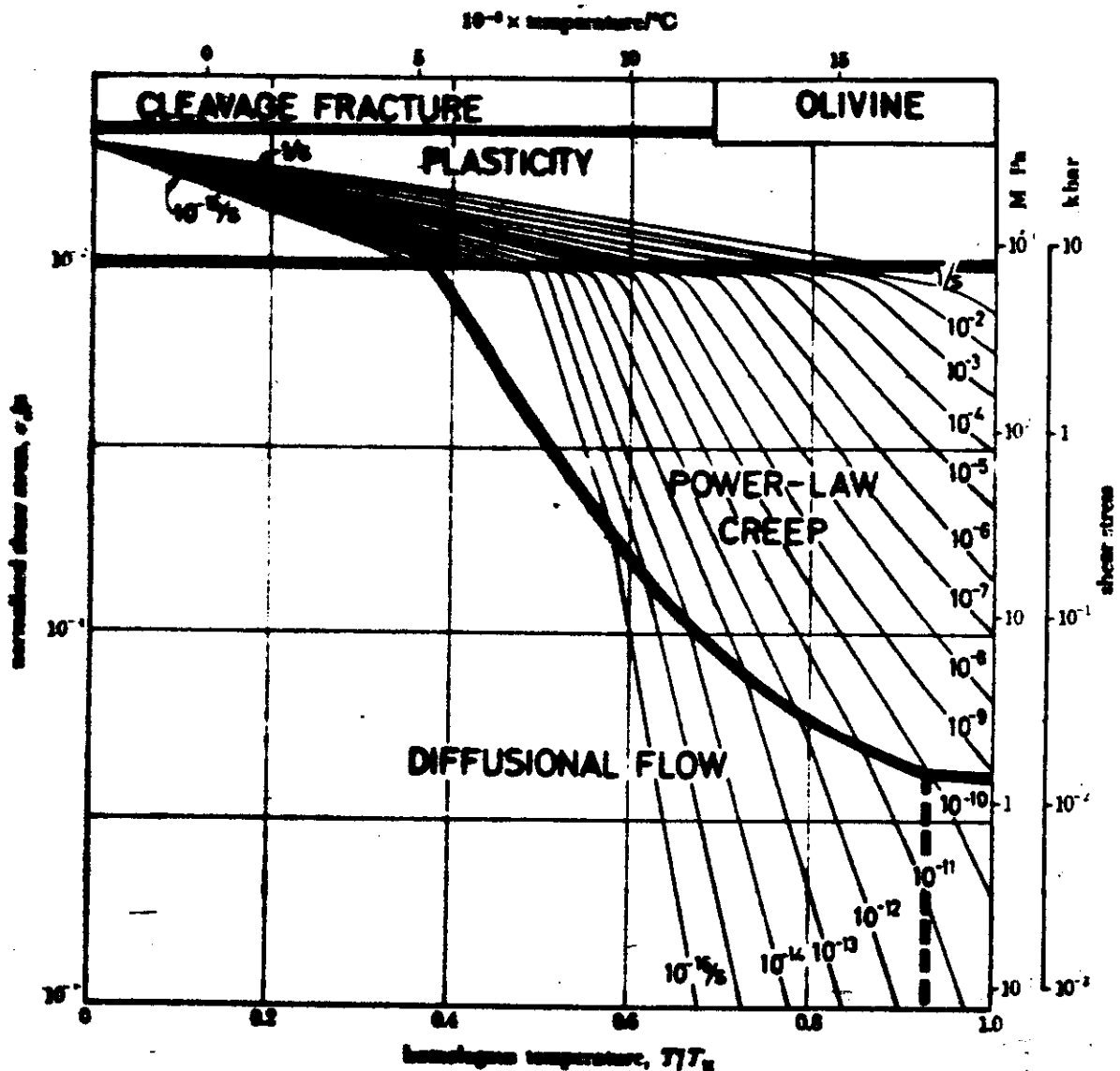


FIGURE 18. A map for olivine, based on the same data as figure 14, but with a pressure of $0.1 T^0$ (81 kbar) applied. The cleavage stress has been raised by a factor of about 10 to $5 \times 10^{-3} p$; the stress required for plasticity has increased by a factor of about 1.5 and the creep rates have decreased by a factor of about 10^2 .

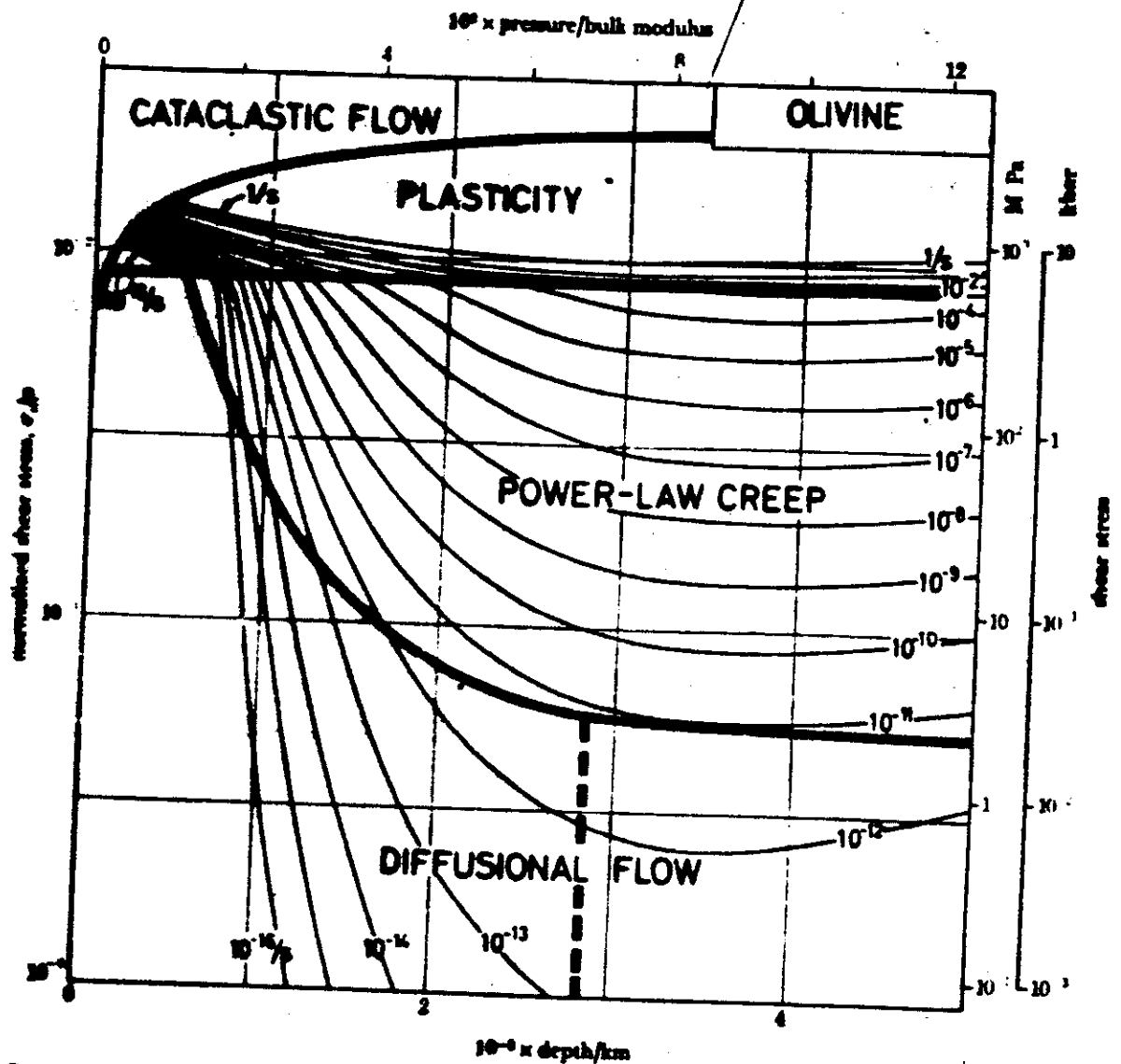


FIGURE 17. Olivine under upper-mantle conditions with $V^0 = 0$; cleavage stress $\approx 5 \times 10^{-9} \mu$. In this figure, depth (below the Earth's surface) has replaced temperature as the abscissa; temperature and pressure are both related directly to it. The figure shows that, to a depth of about 20 km, cataclastic flow is the dominant mechanism. Below this, plasticity and creep replace fracturing as the dominant mechanisms.

① To depth of ca 30 km
cataclastic flow is dominant mechanism

$$V^* = 0$$

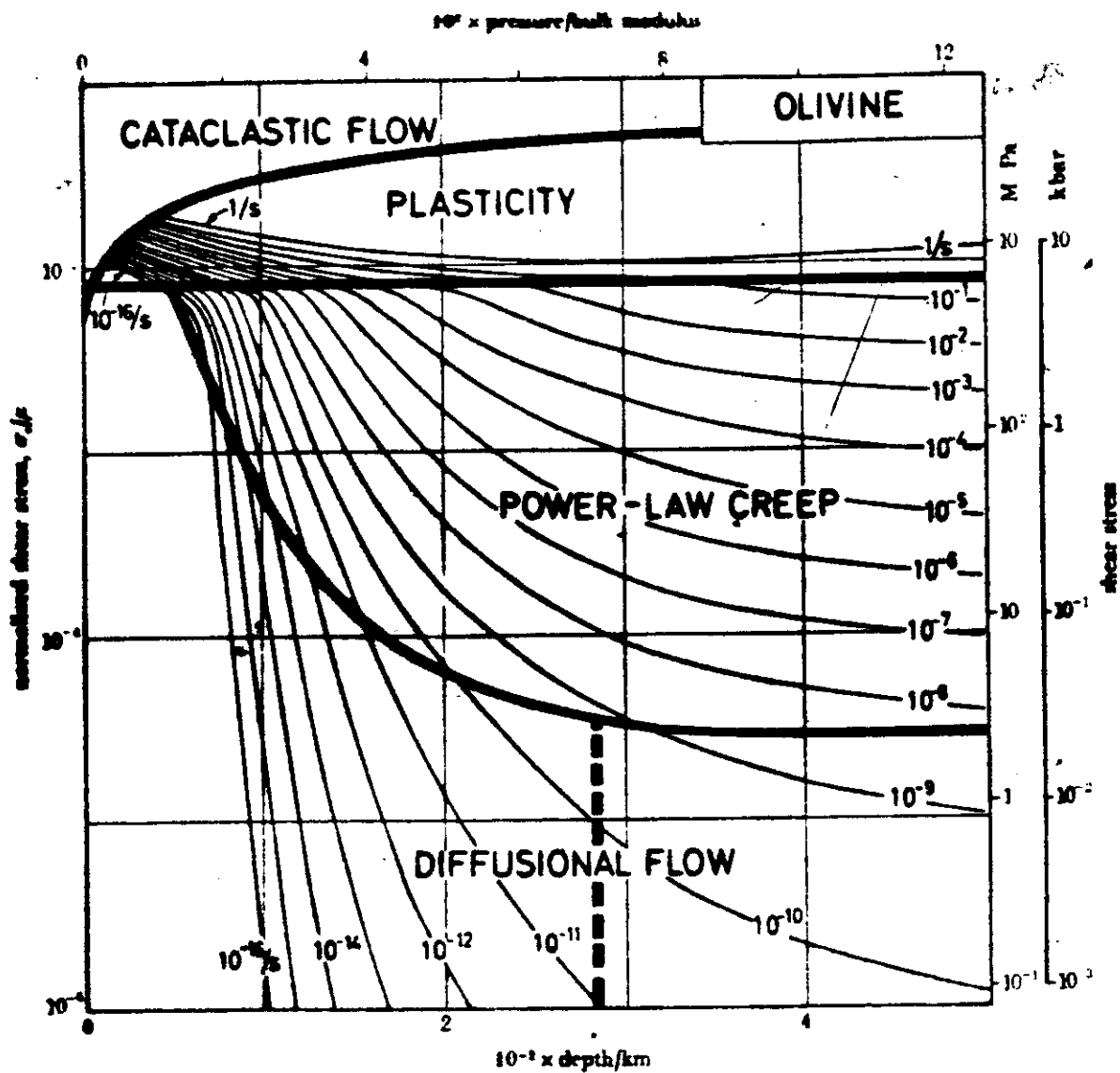


FIGURE 18. Olivine under upper-mantle conditions with $V^0 = D_1$. The creep rates are slower by a factor of between 10^6 and 10^8 than those of figure 17. Note that the strain-rate contours are almost flat below 200 km.

$$V^0 = 52$$

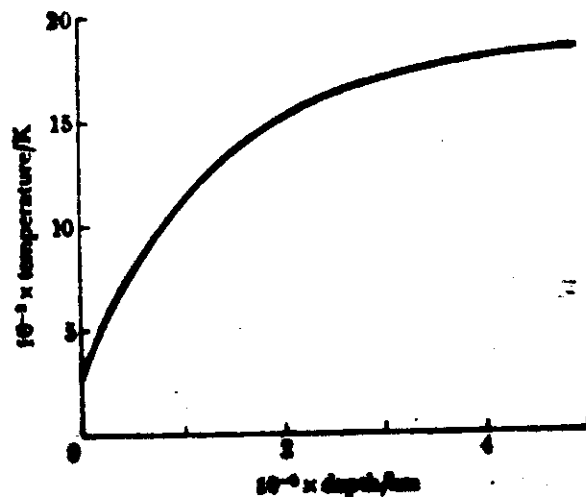


FIGURE 19. The assumed way in which temperature varies with depth in the upper mantle (see equation 8.8).

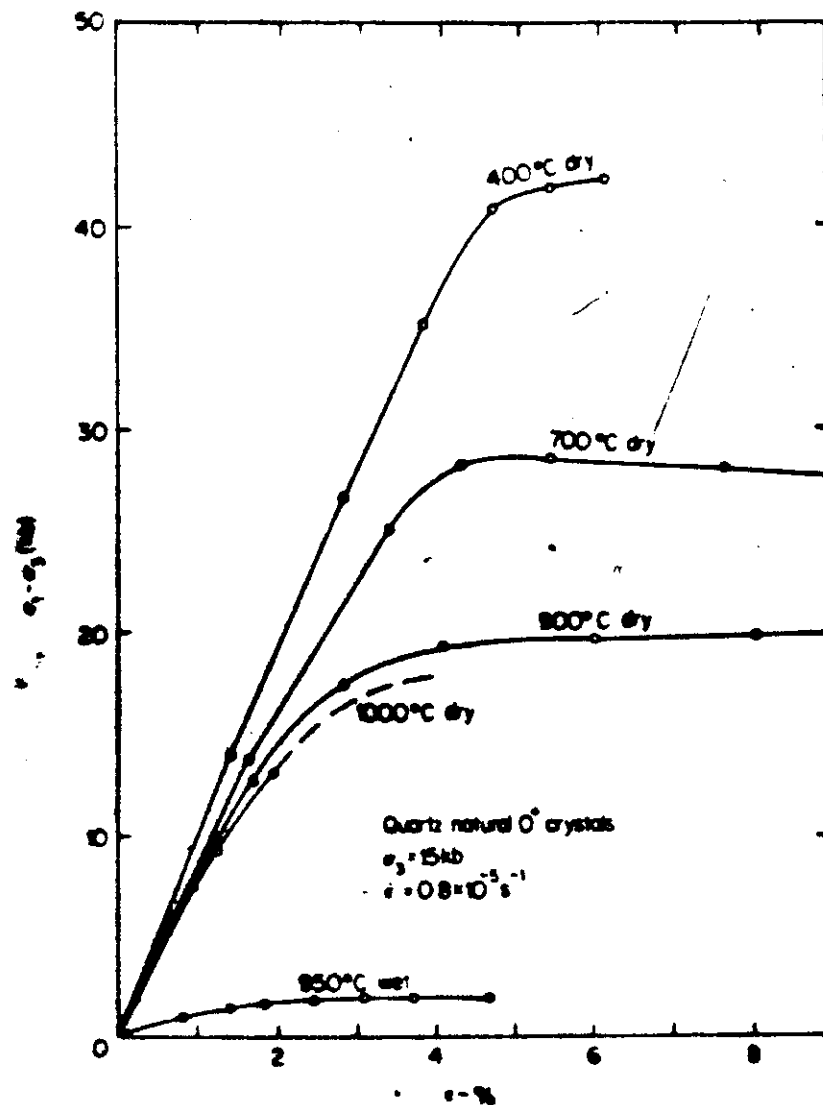


Fig. 5.30. Stress-strain curves of wet and dry natural quartz crystals (after Griggs, 1967, reproduced by permission of Blackwell Scientific Publications Ltd.)

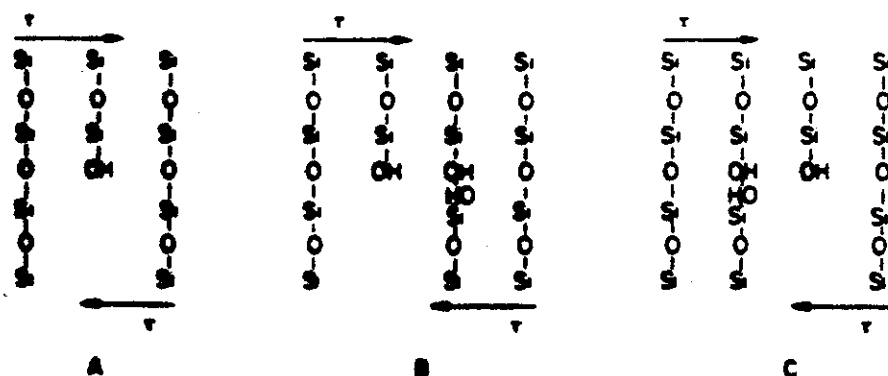


Fig. 5.31. Schematic model of the Frank-Griggs mechanism for hydrolytic weakening:

- (A) Sessile hydrolyzed edge dislocation with anhydrous neighbours
- (B) The right-hand side neighbouring Si-O bond has been hydrolyzed by arrival of a H_2O molecule and a hydrogen bond is formed
- (C) The hydrogen bond can easily be broken under shear stress and retreats with the OH at the dislocation edge. As a result the dislocation moves to the right (after Griggs, 1967, reproduced by permission of Blackwell Scientific Publications Ltd.)

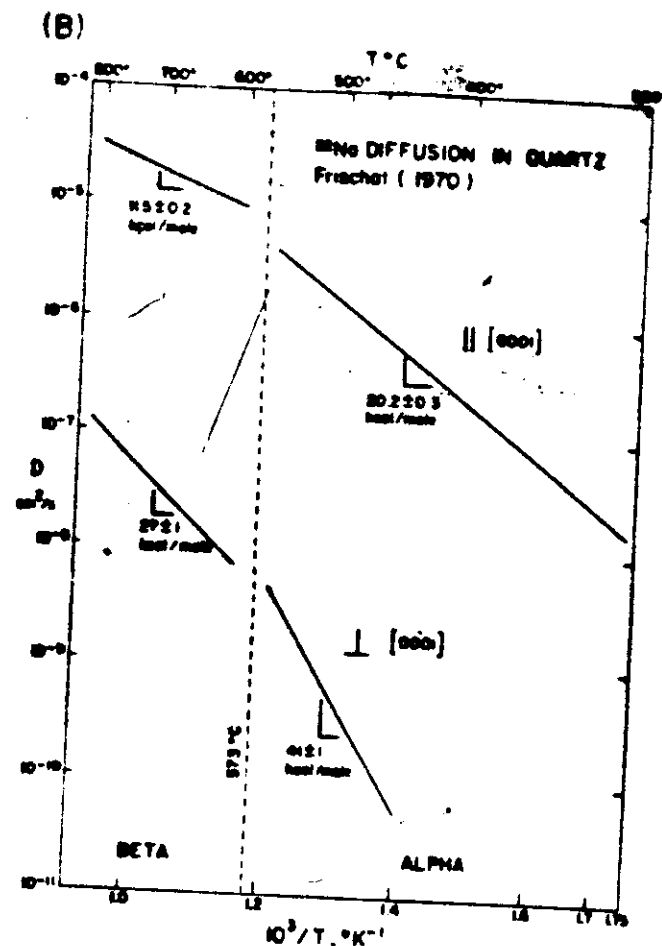
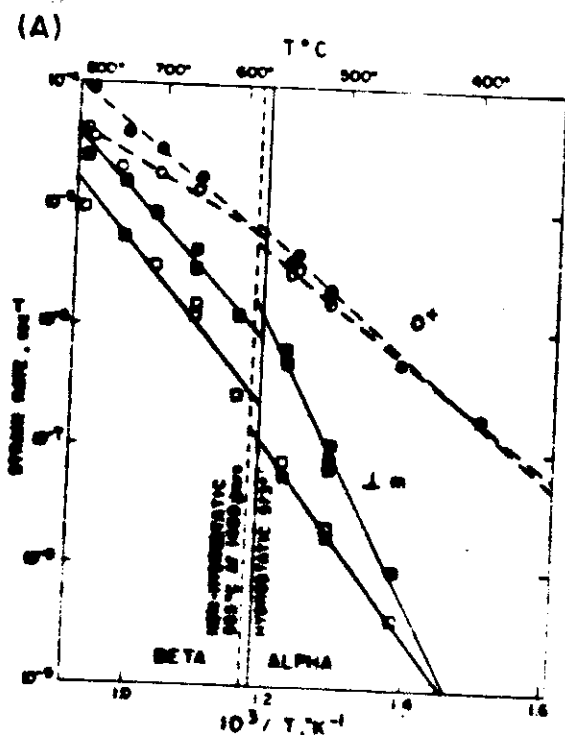


Fig. 13. Arrhenius plots of the effects of temperature on creep rates and impurity diffusion. Slopes of the data are proportional to the activation energies of the processes. (a) Creep rate variation with temperature. Note the remarkable way that this diffusion data mimics the creep data of (a).

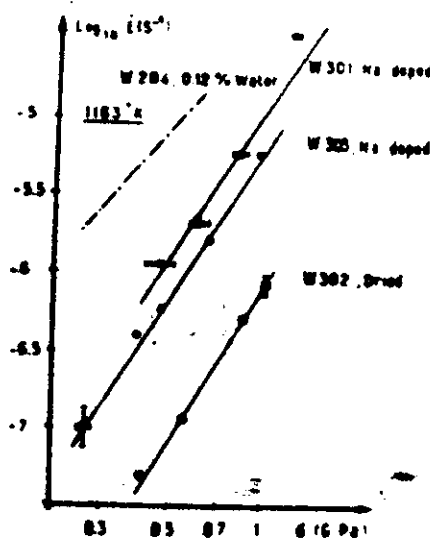
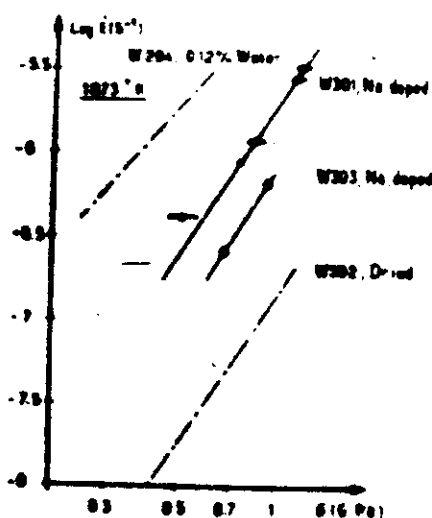


Fig. 1. Effect of impurities on the creep of quartzite at 1.5 GPa confining pressure. Total deformation of each sample is about 20%. (a) 1073°K, the investigated range in stress is somewhat narrow and high because these runs were performed mainly to make comparisons with the 1163°K data, in order to estimate the activation energies. W202 data (dried at 1203°K under vacuum 5.5 hours) extrapolated from 1163°K to 1073°K using $E = 190 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$. (b) 1163°K, the two sodium-doped samples and the "very dry" sample W202 are compared. Note that W204 (sample containing 0.12% by weight of water, i. e., 8700 ppm H/O atoms) is from Jacol et al. [this issue].

POINT DEFECT CHEMISTRY OF MINERALS AND SOLID STATE FLOW

1. Diffusion properties influenced by point defect concentrations
2. Diffusion properties control many creep mechanisms.
3. Point defect concentrations related to fugacities of volatiles.
4. In nature, once P and T fixed by overall metamorphic environment - then bulk rock chemistry buffers the fugacity of oxygen, which in turn controls the fugacity of H_2O and H_2 .

For a wide range of crustal f_{O_2} , f_{H_2O} is fairly insensitive to f_{O_2} variations. $f_{H_2O} \approx$ order of mag

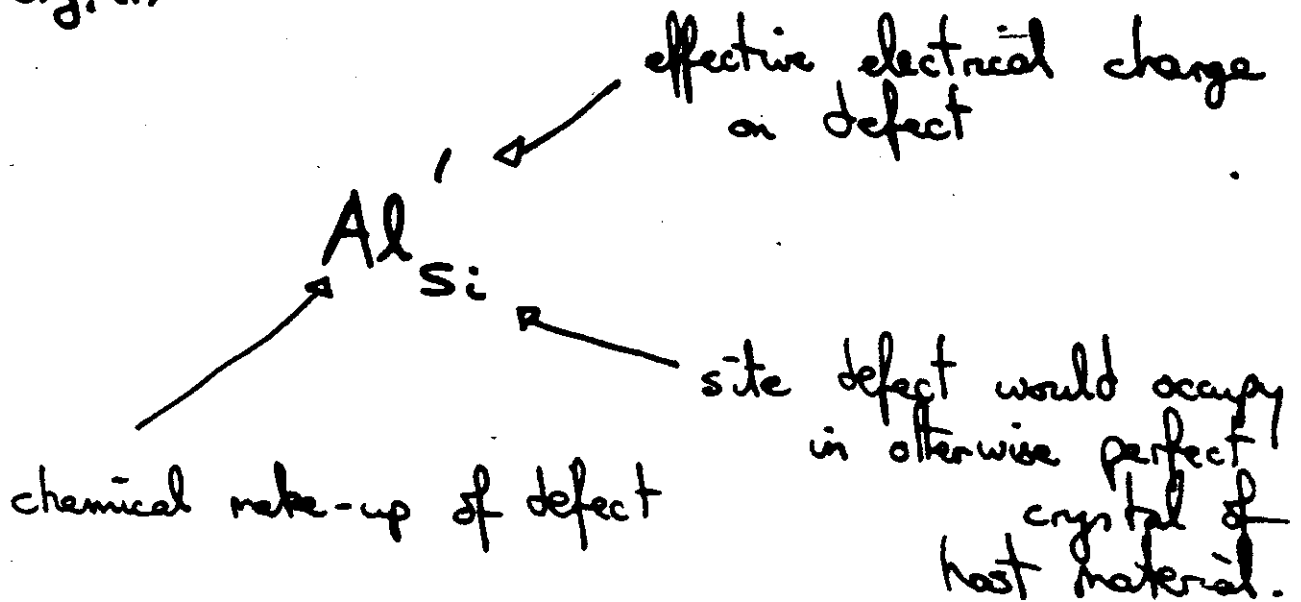
f_{O_2} can be varied by several orders of magnitude by changes in bulk rock chemistry.

even from strata to strata in rock mass.

DEFECT CHEMISTRY AND CREEP

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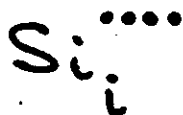
e.g. (1)



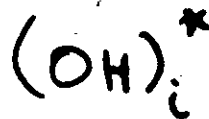
Thus in SiO_2 the above defect is -ve charged and occupies a silicon site

* = neutral defect
• = +ve defect
' = -ve defect

eg. (2)



= interstitial silicon with effective 4+ charge



= interstitial neutral (OH) group.

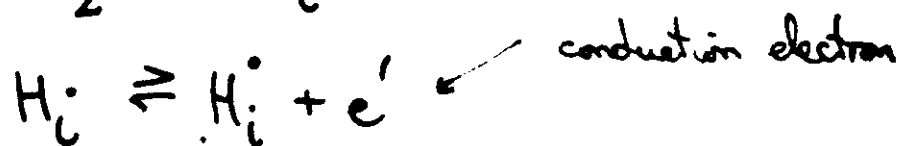
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POINT DEFECT CHEMISTRY

1. From standpoint of "hydrolytic" weakening we are interested in incorporation of hydrogen and (OH) into mineral structures.

The mode of incorporation exerts a fundamental influence on its effects.

2. General conclusion is that hydrogen is incorporated interstitially in silicates where it acts as an electron donor.



from which

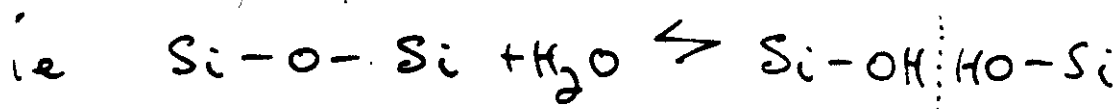
$$[H_i^\cdot] = K_H \cdot [H_i] n_e^{-1} \quad \text{conc. of electrons}$$

$$= K_H^{1/2} K_H \cdot \frac{p^{1/2}}{f_{H_2}} n^{-1}$$

K's are equilibrium constants

3. Hydrogen can also be incorporated in other ways

eg. suggestion of Gregg that incorporation is via (HOH) group



hydrogen bond

But unless $P \sim 1 \text{ GPa}$, $T \sim 800 - 1000^\circ \text{C}$ this defect has only low solubility in qz . Diffusion

POINT DEFECT CHEMISTRY

Hydrogen incorporation (continued)

4. $(3H)_{Si}$ defect also identified { quartz
+ olivine

Similar defect known in hydrogarnets
where $(SiO_4)^{4-}$ replaced by $(H_4O_4)^{4-}$

also $(4H)_{Si}$ defect

These are very attractive as they are embryonic
water bubbles and can give infra red absorption
bands when clustered.

Also can act like classical Frenkel defect and
diffuse with or to dis + facilitate their
motion by introducing hydrogen bonds to be broken
at dis cores, rather than Si-O-Si bonds.

NEUTRALITY RANGES

1. A large number of different situations are possible in silicates where the concentration of one type of defect is balanced by another so that approximate electrical neutrality is maintained.

2. However, not all of these neutrality ranges need be physically accessible since their activities may be too high or low to be meaningful or attainable.

The stability field of the mineral may also be exceeded before the required conditions are met.

3. Electrical conductivity measurements help see. Charge carriers in quartz normally $\text{Na}^+, \text{Li}^+, \text{etc.}$. They are usually present in quantities to balance Al substituted for Si.

Charge neutrality condition for quartz over common range of conditions is

$$[\text{Na}_i^-] = [\text{Al}_{\text{Si}}^+]$$

4. Assume that in a hydrothermal environment effect is to introduce H_i^\bullet defects (reducing environment) and 3H_{Si}^+ defects (oxidizing environment).

This as $f_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = f_{\text{H}_2}$ increases

around quartz

At very high $f_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$

$$[\text{Na}_i^-] = [(3\text{H})_{\text{Si}}^+] \text{ oxidizing}$$

$$[\text{Al}_{\text{Si}}^+] = [\text{H}_i^\bullet] \text{ reducing}$$

$$[\text{H}_i^\bullet] = [(3\text{H})_{\text{Si}}^+]$$

DEFECT CHEMISTRY AND CREEP

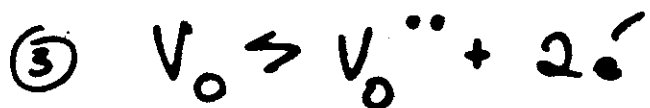
Pure Quartz



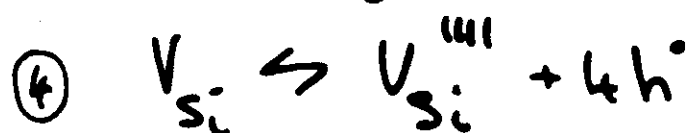
silicon incorporation



oxygen incorporation



} formation of vacancies



Law of Mass Action gives

$$\text{eg. } \textcircled{1} \quad [\text{Si}_{\text{Si}}][V_{\text{O}}]^2 = K_{\text{Si}} a_{\text{Si}}$$

K_{Si} = equilibrium constant for reaction ①

$$\textcircled{2} \quad [\text{O}_{\text{O}}]^2 [V_{\text{Si}}] = K_{\text{O}} a_{\text{O}_2}$$

K_{O} is equilibrium constant for reaction ②.

Establish reaction, and law of mass action gives concentration of defects as $f(\text{volatile})$

Impose electro neutrality condition that overall charge of crystal should be neutral

Then equations for concentration of certain key defects can be simplified.

