for C_H strain

$$\underline{a}_1 = a\,\xi^{1/3}\,(1,0,0)$$

$$\underline{a}_2 = a\,\xi^{1/3}\,(-1/2,\ \sqrt{3}/2,\ 0)$$

$$\underline{c} = c\,\xi^{1/3}\,(0,0,\xi^{-1})$$

and $$C_H = \left(\frac{d^2W}{d\xi^2}\right)_{\xi=1} (9/2)$$

A further condition is obtained by considering the first derivatives of the energy with respect to the strains. The conditions for equilibrium with no applied stress are

$$\left(\frac{dW}{d\eta}\right)_{\eta=1} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\frac{dW}{d\xi}\right)_{\xi=1} = 0$$

In the case of the C_{66} strain all three contributions have first derivatives which are independently zero; in the case of the C_H strain the Coulomb and the full zone Fermi first derivatives yield negative contributions and must be matched by a positive contribution from the overlap-hole term to comply with the equilibrium condition, which thus becomes an independent and useful condition.

A C_{44} type strain lowers the symmetry of the crystal such that the calculations become quite involved. No attempt was made to account for the C_{44} shear constant.