

TABLE I. Results of impact experiments.

| Shot No.            | Foil Type          | Foil Thickness ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) | Foil Resistance Ratio $\frac{R_{4.2^\circ\text{K}}}{R_{296^\circ\text{K}}} \times 10^3$ | Impactor Speed and Type <sup>a</sup> (mm/ $\mu\text{sec}$ ) | Pressure (kbar) | Voltage Ratio ( $\frac{E}{E_0}$ at 0.5 $\mu\text{sec}$ ) | Initial Rise Time (nsec) |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 72-065 <sup>b</sup> | MRC-A <sup>c</sup> | 16.5                             | 3.57                                                                                    | 0.637 Al                                                    | 74.5            | 1.051                                                    | 45                       |
| 72-068 <sup>b</sup> | MRC-A              | 15.6                             | 4.17                                                                                    | 0.853 Al                                                    | 102.1           | 1.170                                                    | 65                       |
| 72-069              | MRC-A              | 17.3                             | 4.14                                                                                    | 0.857 Al                                                    | 103.5           | 1.073                                                    | 35                       |
| 73-009              | MRC-A              | 14.7                             | 4.31                                                                                    | 0.390 S                                                     | 87.1            | 1.049                                                    | 37                       |
| 73-010              | MRC-A              | 14.3                             | 4.38                                                                                    | 0.392 S                                                     | 87.5            | 1.058 <sup>d</sup>                                       | 27                       |
| 73-011              | MRC-A              | 17.0                             | 3.95                                                                                    | 0.659 FQ                                                    | 60.0            | 1.022                                                    | 53                       |
| 73-013              | MRC-A              | 18.0                             | 3.76                                                                                    | 0.286 FQ                                                    | 27.0            | 1.000                                                    | 25                       |
| 73-027              | MRC-A              | 15.9                             | 4.31                                                                                    | 0.517 S                                                     | 115.7           | 1.120                                                    | 19                       |
| 73-028              | W3N-A              | 25.0                             | 2.40                                                                                    | 0.531 FQ                                                    | 48.6            | 1.035                                                    | 34                       |
| 73-029              | MRC-UA             | 16.1                             | 6.85                                                                                    | 0.562 FQ                                                    | 51.8            | 1.032                                                    | 36                       |
| 73-034              | MRC-UA             | 16.0                             | 7.14                                                                                    | 0.416 S                                                     | 92.9            | 1.087                                                    | 37                       |
| 73-036              | W3N-A              | 24.5                             | 2.29                                                                                    | 0.395 S                                                     | 88.2            | 1.122                                                    | 84                       |
| 73-040              | W3N-A              | 24.9                             | 2.39                                                                                    | 0.686 FQ                                                    | 62.4            | 1.037                                                    | 32                       |
| 73-044              | W3N-A              | 24.2                             | 2.38                                                                                    | 0.401 S                                                     | 89.6            | 1.111                                                    | 67                       |
| 73-047              | W3N-A              | 17.6                             | 2.53                                                                                    | 0.423 S                                                     | 94.5            | 1.149 $\pm$ .013                                         | ..                       |
| 73-050              | W3N-A              | 24.0                             | 2.25                                                                                    | 0.524 S                                                     | 117.3           | 1.185                                                    | 34                       |
| 73-051              | MRC-A              | 16.9                             | 4.46                                                                                    | 0.525 S                                                     | 117.5           | .....                                                    | 35                       |
| 73-056              | MRC-A              | 16.6                             | 4.18                                                                                    | 0.89 FQ                                                     | 83              | .....                                                    | ..                       |
| 73-059              | MRC-A              | 17.2                             | 4.48                                                                                    | 0.530 S                                                     | 118.6           | 1.139                                                    | 34                       |

<sup>a</sup>Al, FQ, and S stand for aluminum, fused quartz, and sapphire impactors, respectively.

<sup>b</sup>Anvils were of Lucalox.

<sup>c</sup>A  $\equiv$  annealed, UA  $\equiv$  unannealed.

<sup>d</sup>This value read after 0.14  $\mu\text{sec}$ .

electrons at foil surfaces at 4.2°K. To correct them to bulk ratios using Fuchs-Sondheimer theory (Sondheimer, 1952) and a specular coefficient of 0.2 (Nagpal and Duggal, 1972), multiply MRC-A ratios by 0.77, MRC-UA ratios by 0.84, and W3N-A ratios by 0.75. The average bulk resistance ratios are 0.0032 for MRC-A, 0.0059 for MRC-UA and 0.0018 for W3N-A. Measured impactor speed and type and pressure deduced from the impactor and anvil Hugoniot curves (Fowles, 1972) are presented in columns five and six, while column seven gives the ratio of the voltage drop across the silver foil 0.5 microseconds after shock arrival to the pre-shock voltage drop. The last column is the rise time (10% to 90%) of the voltage jump on shock arrival at the foil.

The first two experiments, 72-065 and 72-068, were carried out using ceramic  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  anvils; shot 72-069 used sapphire anvils. Although shots 72-068 and 72-069 were shocked to the same pressure and used silver foils cut from the same 3 cm X 5 cm piece of foil, the resistance change was significantly larger using ceramic anvils; apparently the ceramic anvils cause extraneous deformation of the foil. The remaining experiments used polished single crystal  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  anvils.

To test whether observed, shock-induced changes in voltage droop across a foil were due to resistance change and not some artifacts, two experiments were carried out monitoring foils with no current flowing through them.

In the initial experiments (73-065, 73-068) two silver foils were put in each sandwich of  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  ceramic (G. E. Lucalox);