

and Drickamer⁷ obtained from x-ray measurements were used. For the other metals the shock-wave data of Rice, McQueen, and Walsh⁸ and of McQueen and Marsh⁹ were used. Their data show no discontinuity for titanium so it is not clear whether they had the high-pressure phase or a metastable hcp phase. The volume change at the transition is very probably too small to affect the qualitative discussion given below.

The dotted lines in Figs. 2 and 3 represent the isomer shifts calculated using the slope from Eq. (2), which was obtained assuming the Fe⁵⁷ 4s-electron-density scales with bulk density. Although this assumption is

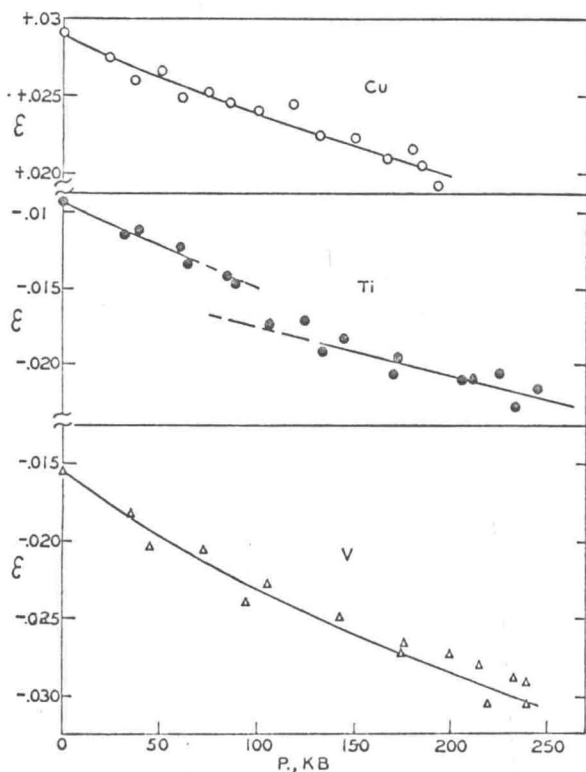


FIG. 1. Isomer shift versus pressure for Fe⁵⁷ in copper, titanium, and vanadium.

only a first approximation, some interesting qualitative conclusions can be drawn comparing this calculated slope with those actually observed. Metals crystallizing in the bcc structure, namely, vanadium and iron in the low-pressure phase, show an Fe⁵⁷ 4s-electron density which scales with bulk density at least below 100-150 kbar. On the other hand, the closer packed materials, namely copper, and the hcp phases of titanium and iron show a slower rate of increase of Fe⁵⁷ 4s-electron density than predicted from the scaling assumption.

⁷ R. L. Clendenen and H. G. Drickamer, *J. Phys. Chem. Solids* (to be published).

⁸ M. H. Rice, R. G. McQueen, and J. M. Walsh, in *Solid State Physics*, edited by F. Seitz and D. Turnbull (Academic Press Inc., New York, 1958), Vol. 6.

⁹ R. G. McQueen and S. P. Marsh, *J. Appl. Phys.* 31, 1253 (1960).

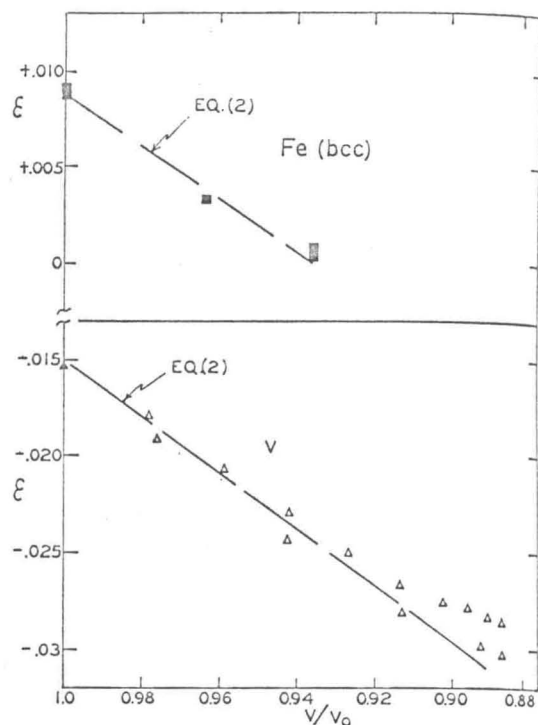


FIG. 2. Isomer shift versus V/V_0 for Fe⁵⁷ in vanadium and bcc iron.

In considering these results one must bear in mind that metals of the iron transition series possess the fol-

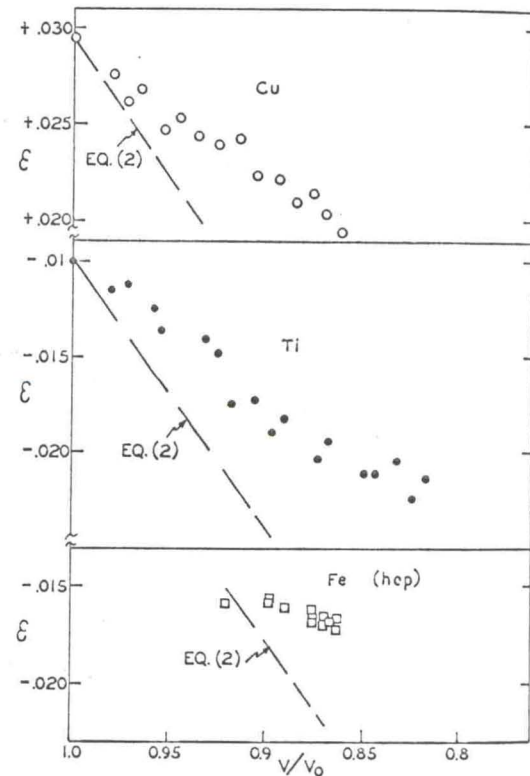


FIG. 3. Isomer shift versus V/V_0 for Fe⁵⁷ in copper, titanium, and hcp iron.

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