

gram is a diagnostic aid of some promise. It may be pertinent to note, however, that the deutan's responses to white do resemble those of R.W.J. in his first experiment.

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6. We have taken data on ourselves with dilated pupils, thus making the Maxwellian-view easier to hold, but we have not found any substantial change in our results; if anything, we find a slight loss in reliability. The Maxwellian-view technique will probably require pupillary dilation in untrained observers.
7. Electrode placement seems very important in this work. We have experimented with many positions and those used here give the best results for our present purposes. They may not do so for other purposes equally restricted to the visual system (for example, field studies). Different positions do work best for different subjects.
8. This is a rectangular plastic pillow filled with tiny glass beads (Flexicast, Picker X-ray Corp.). Upon air evacuation, it takes the shape of whatever is impressed into it and literally locks it in place.
9. M. Rubin, *Amer. J. Ophthalmol.* **52**, 166 (1961). It is possible that observer R.W.J. has some very mild color anomaly not apparent from usual testing procedures, or that he may be at one extreme of the normal range. On the contrary, the observer T.S. is clearly deuteranomalous, but to avoid exact specification of the extent of the deficiency at this time we use the term "deutan."
10. While these observers agree in white at 8 mm, R.W.J. disagrees with A.F. at 5 mm.
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Volume Measurements on Chromium to Pressure of 30 Kilobars

Abstract. The unit cell volume of chromium was measured as a function of pressure from 1 bar to 30 kilobars by x-ray diffraction techniques. The antiferromagnetic transition occurred at 1.5 kilobars at 29°C, where there is a discontinuity in the slope of the curve for lattice parameter vs. pressure. By electrical resistance measurements the value of $-\Delta T_N/\Delta P$ was determined to be $5.9^\circ \pm 0.3^\circ$ per kilobar. At room temperature chromium remains in the body-centered cubic crystal structure from 0 to 55 kilobars.

A transition in Cr from the antiferromagnetic state to the paramagnetic state (the Neel point, T_N) has long been known and has been of interest to investigators. Bridgman noticed anomalies in certain properties of Cr as a function of pressure, notably in the electrical resistance and compressibility (1, 2). However, much of his data are inconsistent with the findings of recent workers, and it has been suggested that the inconsistency is due to the impurity content of his samples and to strains introduced into his pressure system (3). Since the time when our work commenced, several notes and articles have been published about Cr under pressure, investigations being made by means of electrical resistance (3), neutron diffraction (4), and ultrasonic vibrations (5). Our work concerns the volume anomaly in Cr at the Neel point.

We measured volume changes by x-

ray diffraction techniques. Chromium powder was mixed with polyethylene powder, and the mixture was pressed together to give a sample (about 0.3 mm thick) containing about one absorption length (the thickness of chromium required to reduce the incident beam intensity by 1/e) of Cr (0.05 mm). Besides providing a sample of workable thickness, addition of polyethylene served to improve the approximation to hydrostatic conditions in the solid pressure-system. This sample was then centered in either a boron-filled plastic tetrahedron or a lithium hydride tetrahedron and placed in the tetrahedral x-ray diffraction press (6). Molybdenum K_α radiation was used, and the five most intense lines of the Cr powder pattern, (110), (200), (211), (220), and (310), were monitored. Pressure was determined by means of the bismuth I-II transition at 25.2 kb in conjunction with continuous resistance

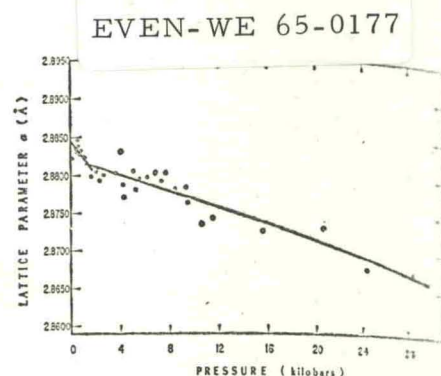


Fig. 1. Lattice parameters of chromium vs. pressure.

measurements of Yb which were related to NaCl compressibility as determined by x-ray diffraction (7).

For the determination of the lattice parameter as a function of pressure, the lattice parameters computed from the spacings (measured in two independent runs) of each of the five major Cr lines were averaged at each pressure setting. Thus each point in the curve of Fig. 1 is the average of ten measurements. The uncertainty in lattice parameter is of the order of 0.05 percent in the antiferromagnetic region and 0.10 percent in the paramagnetic region. The extremely low compressibility of Cr makes measurement difficult. However, least-square fits of the points from 0 to 2 and from 28 kb show a clear break at 1.5 kb. Our electrical resistance measurements on Cr also indicate a transition (resistance discontinuity) at 1.5 kb. The temperature during these experiments was $29.0^\circ \pm 0.5^\circ\text{C}$. Litvin and Ponyatovskii (4), by studies of neutron diffraction and electrical resistance, found the transition at 38°C at atmospheric pressure and found $-\Delta T_N/\Delta P$ to be $5.9^\circ/\text{kb}$. This would put the transition at about 1.5 kb at 29°C , which is consistent with our data.

In the electrical resistance measurements on Cr we have found the atmospheric pressure Neel temperature to be $38.0^\circ \pm 0.5^\circ\text{C}$, in excellent agreement with the findings of other workers (3, 4). From these same measurements we determined $\Delta T_N/\Delta P$ to be $5.9^\circ \pm 0.3^\circ/\text{kb}$, again in agreement with the value of Litvin and Ponyatovskii (4) but slightly higher than that of Mitsui and Tomizuka (see 3), who found $5.1^\circ \pm 0.2^\circ/\text{kb}$.

From the data of Fig. 1 we calculate a bulk compressibility in the antiferromagnetic region of $\beta_0 = 21.8 \times 10^{-13}$ (dyne/cm^2)⁻¹. In the paramagnetic region $\beta = 5.60 \times 10^{-13}$ (dyne/cm^2)⁻¹. The initial compressibility is larger than obtained by Bridgman (1), who found