

Fig. 34—Photomicrographs illustrating features characteristic of internal rotation in an experimentally deformed dolomite single crystal. The internally rotated lamellae (L) are typically coarse and dark, and occasionally serrated. The rational lamellae (r) are straight, narrow, and sharply defined lines. X 175.

extended 12 per cent under 5-kb confining pressure, 24°C , at a constant strain rate of 1 per cent per minute. The specimen was extended normal to r_1 (cleavage plane), an orientation favorable for basal (c{0001}) translation. In thin section, the specimen is characterized by a central deformed sector bounded on either side by relatively undeformed sectors. The orientations of the c_v and cleavage are measured in the undeformed areas (c_v and r_1) and in the deformed sector (c_v' and r_1'). These are plotted in lower hemisphere equal-area projection (Fig. 35). It is apparent from their positions that there has been a clockwise external rotation of 12 degrees between the undeformed and deformed sectors. Detailed examination of the deformed sector reveals a coarse dark set of planar features ($L_{r_1}^{c_1}$) that make a small angle with r_1' . The normals to r_1' and $L_{r_1}^{c_1'}$ lie on the same great circle as c_v' , which indicates that c_v' (0001) is the active gliding plane.* Moreover, the

^{*}The active gliding plane and a rotated plane in all positions of rotation must be cozonal, i.e., share a common axis of intersection or rotation. Hence, the normals to these planes must lie on the same great circle.

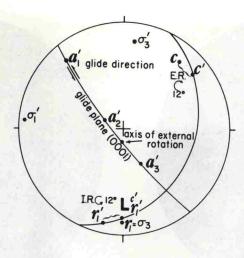


Fig. 35—Stereogram showing the internal and external rotation phenomena in experimentally deformed dolomite single crystal specimen No. 161 (from Higgs and Handin, Ref. 55). The specimen was extended 7.5 per cent under 5-kb confining pressure at 24°C. The least principal stress of the experiment (σ_3) was oriented normal to r_1 as indicated. External rotation of c to c and r_1 to r_1 and the internal rotation of r_1 to r_1 are shown. σ_1 and σ_3 are the stresses derived from translation gliding on c along the a_1 gliding direction in the sense indicated. The angle between σ_3 and σ_3 is 31 degrees.

angle between r and L indicates that a counterclockwise internal rotation of 12 degrees has occurred. Although c'is established as the active gliding plane, dynamic inferences still require identification of the direction and sense of shear. Basal translation can occur along any one of the three crystallographic a axes in either sense. As a first step, draw the great circle representing c', i.e., the great circle normal to c_{v} (Fig. 35). Because the rational position of r_1' is known, we can locate a_1' , a_2' , and a_3' along the active gliding plane. One of these must be the gliding direction. This direction can be established from the axis of external rotation which must lie in the gliding plane and perpendicular to the gliding direction. Accordingly, the normal to the great circle through c_v and c_v' and to that through r_1 and r defines the axis of external rotation. Since this lies on the active gliding plane midway between a_2' and a_3' , a_1' at 90 degrees to the axis of external rotation must be the gliding direction. Finally, the sense of shear is fixed by the sense of internal rotation. To bring r1 to Lc, requires a left-lateral sense of shear along c' (Fig. 35).