$2\pi^{-\frac{1}{2}}L.$ 

0-50.

The integer p was then examined to separate even and odd  $y_p$  of (Å-4) and of (A-5);  $y_0$  and  $y_n$  were further separated from the even  $y_p$ . The  $y_p$  of (A-4) were accumulated to give:

$$\sum$$
 even  $y_p$ , (A-6)

 $\sum$  odd  $y_p$ , (A-7)

 $\sum (y_0 + y_n).$ (A-8)

A similar accumulation was done for the  $y_p$  of (A-5). When a test of p indicated that all  $y_p$  of (A-1) had

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# Hall Effect in Titanium, Vanadium, Chromium, and Manganese\*

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The Hall effect in Ti, V, Cr, and Mn has been measured at room temperature with fields up to 30 kilooersteds. The Hall constant was positive for all of these elements. The effect is extremely small in Ti and apparently sensitive to small amounts of impurities. The results for these transition elements indicate that electrical conduction is predominantly due to hole conduction.

# I. INTRODUCTION

HE complex nature of the transition elements has generally limited calculation of their band structure although some detailed calculations for copper,<sup>1</sup> nickel,<sup>2</sup> and iron<sup>3</sup> have been made. Because of the approximations introduced, only qualitative comparisons with experiments can be made. Usually these calculations are extrapolated to the nonferromagnetic transition elements for purposes of discussion. The general feature is a complex 3d band structure with a high density of states and thus a low mobility. This result agrees with both the magnetic properties and the electronic specific heat. Electrical conduction is generally considered to arise from the 4s electrons because of the low mobility of the 3d electrons. Since the Hall effect allows estimates to be made of the number of conducting particles per unit volume and their sign, this unique measurement is useful for examining some details of the band structure.

Recent measurements in the Cu-Ni<sup>4</sup> alloys and the

Co-Ni<sup>5</sup> alloys have demonstrated that electrical conduction is predominantly due to the 4s electrons; however, the results of Armco iron<sup>5</sup> indicated predominant hole conduction. The increased interest in the transition elements and the availability of pure materials led to the Hall measurements described in this paper.

been calculated, the accumulation (A-6) was multiplied

by the factor 2h/3. The accumulation (A-7) was multiplied by 4h/3. These products were then added to

the sum of  $y_0 + y_n$  to give K. Similar steps produced

 $K^{(2)}(\beta,\gamma)$ , were calculated in the same manner as the conductivity integrals, using 400 intervals over the

range 0-25. Results agreed to five significant places

with a recalculation using 400 intervals over the range

The integrals for the thermoelectric function,

A brief summary of the results for Ti, V, Cr, and Mn has been given earlier.<sup>6</sup> The method of measurement is that described previously.<sup>5</sup> Unless specified, the sample dimensions were 6.0 cm $\times$ 1.00 cm $\times$ 0.100 cm and carried a current from 10 to 20 amperes. Whenever possible, chemical analyses of the samples are given since some of the results may be sensitive to small impurities.

### **II. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS**

# 1. Titanium

Three titanium samples were investigated, designated below as I, II, and III. Samples I and II were obtained from a commercial bar of material. Sample I was measured after machining whereas sample II was vacuum-annealed at 600°C for two hours and slowly cooled to room temperature before measurements were made. Sample III<sup>7</sup> was vacuum-annealed at 800°C for 6 hours and slowly cooled to room temperature. Considerable care was exercised to avoid contamination

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vided this sample and obtained the chemical analysis of the three samples investigated.



FIG. 1. Hall effect of three titanium samples at room temperature.

during the preparation of this sample. The chemical analyses for these samples are given in Table I.<sup>7</sup> The potential difference per unit current, per unit thickness,  $e_H$ , versus magnetic induction, B, is shown in Fig. 1 for these samples. The magnitude and sign of the effect depend on the particular sample investigated. A small Hall effect for Ti has also recently been observed by Juretschke.<sup>8</sup> The positive and somewhat higher Hall constant obtained by Scovil<sup>9</sup> may be due to differences in the impurities.

#### 2. Vanadium

The results for vanadium<sup>10</sup> are shown in Fig. 2. The Hall effect is positive and considerably larger than in Ti.

# 3. Chromium

The chromium sample was cut from the ingot used by Friedberg et al.<sup>11</sup> for electronic specific-heat measurements. The current leads were soldered to a thin nickel



FIG. 2. Hall effect of vanadium at room temperature.

film plated on the ends of the sample which was  $2 \text{ cm} \times 1$  $cm \times 0.110$  cm. Chemical analysis of this sample showed it to be 99.9% pure Cr. An x-ray analysis<sup>12</sup> of this sample showed that the Cr sample was body-centered cubic. The results for this Cr sample are shown in Fig. 3.

During the measurements on this sample it was found that the Hall effect seemed to vary strongly with temperature. This effect was examined over a limited range of temperature by varying the magnet cooling and sample current. The results, shown in Fig. 4, show a decrease in Hall constant with increasing temperature. Over this limited range of temperatures the effect is linear and about 1% per degree centigrade. Because of the limited range of temperatures investigated, these results should be considered as only qualitative data. Examination of the Hall effect over a much wider temperature range would be desirable.

### 4. α-Manganese

A sample of  $\alpha$ -manganese<sup>12,13</sup> was used for the Hall measurements. The sample, of electrolytic flake origin,

TABLE I. Chemical analysis of titanium samples.<sup>a</sup>

A. Vacu	um fusion	gas analys	sis <sup>b</sup>			
Sample		$O_2$		$N_2$	$H_2$	
I		0.042			0.0015	
II		0.017				
III		0.010		•••	•••	
B. Spect	roscopic a	analysis of	metallic ir	npurities		
Sample	Fe	Ni	С	Mn	Mg	Cr
I	0.06	< 0.01	0.025			
II	0.047	< 0.01	0.024			
$\mathbf{III}$	0.092	< 0.01	0.01	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.015

<sup>a</sup> Units: impurities in percent by weight.
 <sup>b</sup> Gases not detected are indicated by a dash.
 <sup>c</sup> Elements not analyzed are denoted by ···.

was deoxidized in dilute HCl, annealed at about 400°C for  $H_2$  degassing, and stored in an atmosphere of He until used. Spectroscopic analysis showed a trace of Ca and Cu (less than 0.01%) and faint traces of Fe, Mg, and V. No oxide lines were visible in the neutrondiffraction pattern unless surface oxidation was present in a finely divided form.13 The same material was used by Guthrie et al.14 for electronic specific-heat measurements. The electrolytic flake was quite small, 1.54 cm  $\times 0.61$  cm $\times 0.065$  cm. To avoid contamination, pressure contacts for the primary current were used. Contact problems were minimized by using point contacts for these leads and currents below 4 amperes. The results of measurements on this sample are shown in Fig. 5. The sign of the Hall effect disagrees with that obtained

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<sup>(1955).</sup> 

by Zahn and Schmidt<sup>15</sup> for Mn; however, Frank<sup>16</sup> has suggested that a positive value is expected from the work of Justi and Kohler<sup>17</sup> on Re.

## **III. DISCUSSION OF RESULTS**

A tabulation of the room-temperature Hall constants is given in Table II, where  $R_0$  is the ordinary Hall constant,  $n^*$  the effective number of electrons per atom, and  $\gamma$  the electronic specific heat. Room-temperature Hall constants are plotted in Fig. 6. The detailed structure of this curve between Cu and Ni and between Ni and Co has been obtained from measurements at room temperature on a series of Cu-Ni alloys<sup>4</sup> and on a series of Ni-Co alloys.<sup>5</sup> Measurements on two Fe-Ni alloys<sup>18</sup> are not shown but they fit reasonably well on this curve of  $R_0$  versus electrons per atom. Since measurements have not yet been completed on any of the other alloy systems, straight lines have been drawn between the points representing the Hall constants for the elements.



FIG. 3. Hall effect of chromium at room temperature.

More recently the Cu-Ni alloys have been studied over a wide range of temperatures.<sup>19,20</sup> For these alloys it has been shown<sup>20</sup> that the detailed temperature dependence can be explained on the basis of a relatively simple band<sup>21</sup> model. An analysis of present data along these lines is unfortunately not possible, if only for the reason that Ti, V, Cr, and Mn are not ferromagnetic.

If we assume as in the ferromagnetic metals, noninteracting, conducting 4s and 3d bands which have relaxation times similar to those expected in ferro-

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<sup>18</sup> S. Foner, Phys. Rev. 99, 1079 (1955).

<sup>19</sup> Philip Cohen, doctoral dissertation, May, 1955, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (unpublished). <sup>20</sup> F. E. Allison and Emerson M. Pugh, Phys. Rev. **102**, 1281 (1956).



FIG. 4. Temperature dependence of  $R_0$  for chromium over a limited range of temperature.

magnetic metals, we can make general statements concerning the predominant conduction based on the electronic specific-heat data shown in Table II. A large  $\gamma$ indicates a high density of states in the 3d band, and thus a low mobility of these carriers. The positive Hall constant then requires that: (1) either the hole conduction is due to the 3d band, in which case there must be no 4s electrons present because if any high-mobility 4s electrons were available the low-mobility 3d holes would not be observable; or (2) high-mobility 4s-band holes are present, in which case the 3d hole contribution again would be negligible. Because these two possibilities are speculative, only the second is discussed here.

Conduction due to 4s-band holes requires that the Fermi level be near the top of the 4s band. This is not unreasonable since one expects the 3d band to become wider  $\lceil N(\epsilon) \rangle$  to decrease as one goes from Ni toward Ti. A discussion of this effect and the modifications of earlier work to include the body-centered cubic structures is given by Slater in a recent report.<sup>22</sup> He points



FIG. 5. Hall effect of manganese at room temperature.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Emerson M. Pugh, Phys. Rev. 97, 647 (1955).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> J. C. Slater, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Solid State and Molecular Theory Group Technical Report 6, April 15, 1954 (unpublished).



FIG. 6. Hall constants of various 3d transition elements at room temperature. See text for discussion of shape of curve.

out that the dip in the density of states curves near Cr is a consequence of the calculations for the bodycentered structures. Even though the 3d band becomes wider, the specific-heat measurements (see Table II) indicate that the densities of states for the elements are quite large (except for Cr), thus the 4s carriers, if present, should be predominant in the Hall effect. The recent indications of s-electron concentrations (and possible p contributions at high concentrations) exceeding 1.0 for Fe as suggested by Stoner and recently confirmed by Coles,23 and perhaps increasing as the atomic number decreases, indicate that the positive values of  $R_0$  for Fe, Mn, Cr, and V are reasonable if dband conduction were negligible.<sup>24</sup>

The positive and negative  $R_0$ 's for the different Ti samples are difficult to explain. Although the magnitudes as shown in Fig. 1 are small, they are certainly outside the experimental errors. The results seem to de-

TABLE II. Tabulation of Hall effect in 3d transition elements.

Elemen	(10 <sup>13</sup> ×R₀ v-cm/ t amp-gauss)	$n^*$	<i>t</i> (°C)	$10^4  imes \gamma$ (cal/deg <sup>2</sup> / mole)
Ti	I - 1.06	10.4		8.3ª
1	I = 2.59 I = + 1.02	-10.8	18	
V	+ 8.20	- 1.09	28	9.3 <sup>b</sup>
Cr Mn	+36.3 + 8.44	-0.23	14 24	3.74ª
Fe	+ 2.45	-3.02	13	12
Co	-13.3	0.53	14	12
1N1	- 5.0	1.2	9	17

<sup>a</sup> See reference 11.
 <sup>b</sup> Corak, Goodman, Satterthwaite, and Wexler, Phys. Rev. 102, 656 (1956).
 <sup>c</sup>,See reference 15.

pend on the purity but also may depend on the methods used in the preparation of the particular sample measured. The chemical analyses, shown in Table I, do not correlate directly with the sign of the effect. The small  $R_0$  may be due to the balancing effect of both holes and electrons in the overlapping 4s, 4p, and 3d bands.

### IV. SUMMARY

The Hall effect in Ti. V. Cr. and Mn has been measured at room temperature. The effect is linear with magnetic field and positive in these transition metals. The results can be qualitatively interpreted using simple band models; however, some ambiguity results because a measure of the 3d-band holes is not available. This ambiguity is not present in the ferromagnetic transition elements because measurements of the saturation moment give this information. The positive effect in Ti is quite small and may be reversed by small impurities.

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 <sup>24</sup> Note added in proof.—The possibility of 3d band conduction

is not completely eliminated. Recent x-ray scattering experiments by R. J. Weiss and J. deMarco (International Conference on Current Problems in Crystal Physics held at M.I.T., Cambridge, July 1-5, 1957) indicate only  $0.2\pm0.4d$  electrons are localized on the Cr metal atoms and only  $2.3\pm0.3d$  electrons are localized on the Fe metal atoms. If this is true, one might expect the remaining d electrons to contribute to electrical conduction. No detailed interpretation can be given at this early date. It is interesting to note, however, that  $R_0$  is positive for Fe and Cr but negative for Cu, Ni, and Co where the x-ray results are as expected.