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the angle between the [001] direction and the magnetic field in the  $(\overline{1}10)$  plane. These curves are shown in Fig. 2 in comparison with experimental points obtained with several samples.

The half-widths of the resonance lines were of the order of 1000 oersteds. From this fact it was estimated that the mean collision time was about  $2 \times 10^{-11}$  sec. This is approximately  $\frac{1}{3}$  the collision time found for pure Ge at 4°K.

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## Effective Masses of Holes in Silicon\*

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CYCLOTRON resonance experiments have been carried out on p-type silicon at 23 kMc/sec and 4°K. Carriers were excited by infrared light as described for germanium.<sup>1</sup> The beam from the light source was chopped at 900 cps, with a resulting amplitude modulation of the absorption signal. High sensitivity was achieved by a phase-sensitive detection method.<sup>2</sup> The reference signal for the detector was obtained from a phototube in the chopped beam.

Two resonance peaks were observed corresponding to effective masses  $m_1^*$  and  $m_2^*$ . The effective masses measured in the principal directions are summarized in Table I;  $m_0$  is the free electron mass. From these data, by means of simple statistics, the approximate average effective mass of holes was calculated to be  $0.39m_0$ .

The observations are consistent with the model used for germanium,<sup>1,3</sup> in which the top of the valence band occurs at k=0 and in which the constant energy surfaces in the Brillouin zone can be represented by two sets of warped surfaces centered about the origin. For these

TABLE I.

Magnetic field parallel to:	[001]	[111]	[110]
${m_1}^*/m_0 \ {m_2}^*/m_0$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.171\\ 0.46\end{array}$	0.160 0.56	0.163 0.53

surfaces, the energy E is given as a function of the wave vector **k** by

$$E = (-\hbar^2/2m_0) \{ ak^2 \pm [b^2k^4 - c(k_x^4 + k_y^4 + k_z^4)]^{\frac{1}{2}} \}, \quad (1)$$

where a, b, and c are constants. The approximate theoretical calculation of the resonance frequency and the effective mass at resonance was carried out as previously described<sup>1,4</sup> but a more exact expansion of the radical was used. The result is

$$1/m^* = (1/m_0) [A_{\pm} + B_{\pm} (1 - 3\cos^2\theta)^2], \qquad (2)$$

where  $A_{\pm} = a \pm b' \pm (c/12b'), B_{\pm} = \mp c/32b', b' = (b^2 - \frac{2}{3}c)^{\frac{1}{2}},$ and the plus and minus signs refer to the effective masses  $m_1^*$  and  $m_2^*$ , respectively. The constants can be determined from the values for  $m_1^*$  at  $\theta = 0$  and for  $m_2^*$  at  $\theta = 0^\circ$  and 55°. The result for silicon is: a = 4.0,  $b^2 = 8.1$ , and c = 6.5. By using these values in Eq. (2), a theoretical curve was calculated for  $m_2^*$  and plotted in Fig. 1.

According to the perturbation theory<sup>3</sup> which describes the valence band structure of germanium around  $\mathbf{k} = 0$ , three degenerate bands are split by spinorbit interaction into the two bands described by Eq. (1) and a lower band for which the energy is

$$E_{3} = -E_{0} - (\hbar^{2}ak^{2}/2m_{0}) = -E_{0} - (\hbar^{2}k^{2}/2m_{3}^{*}), \quad (3)$$

where  $E_0$  is the splitting at  $\mathbf{k} = 0.56$  If this expression is correct for silicon,  $m_3^* = 0.25m_0$ . We have not been able to detect holes in this normally filled band.

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FIG. 1. The effective mass  $m_2^*$  of the heavy holes in silicon is plotted as a function of  $\theta$ , the angle between the [001] direction and the magnetic field in the (110) plane. The points are experimental, and the curve is theoretical

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# Finley-Freundlich Red-Shift Hypothesis

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'N view of the possible serious physical implications<sup>1,2</sup> of the Finley-Freundlich hypothesis<sup>3</sup> that light, passing through an enclosure of energy density  $u = bT^4$ and dimension h, suffers a red shift  $\Delta\lambda/\lambda = AT^4h$  $(A=2\times 10^{-29}$  cgs units), it appears desirable to state here two astronomical arguments preventing acceptance of this proposal unmodified.

Consider an eclipsing binary star system  $(i=90^{\circ})$  in which the relative orbit is circular with radius a. Take  $u_i = b_i T_i^4$  as the energy density at the surface of star *i*, the radius of which is  $R_i$ . The energy density in space at a point at distance h from star i is  $u = u_i R_i^2 / h^2$ . If  $\theta$ is the angle introduced in Fig. 1, the integrated energy density along the line of sight towards star 2, due to its companion's presence,<sup>4</sup> is  $U_2 = (u_1 R_1^2 / a) [(\pi - \theta) / \sin \theta]$ , outside of eclipse. A change in the total energy density along the line of sight of many times  $u_1 R_1^2/a$ , would occur in a single revolution. The quantity  $u_1 R_1^2/a$  cor-



responds to a predicted Freundlich shift of amount  $\Delta V = cAT_1^4 R_1^2/a.$ 

Table I contains the predicted  $\Delta V$ , together with other quantities of interest for five systems selected from the Fourth Lick Catalog of Spectroscopic Binaries,<sup>5</sup> Although there exists a slight uncertainty in spectral types and consequently in temperature, the predicted effect is certainly orders of magnitude too large and one can afford to be slightly uncritical of the observational data. Use of more recent spectral classifications<sup>6</sup> decreases  $\Delta V$  by only 50 percent for the fainter star in TX Herculis, and not at all for the fainter star in Z Vulpeculae. The data for the system Y Cygni are particularly reliable.

It may be maintained that the hypothesis holds only in the presence of matter, the above argument then not being conclusive since the presence of matter in the orbital plane has not been demonstrated.

The unusual system of  $\epsilon$  Aurigae<sup>7</sup> provides a natural test of this further possibility. While objections<sup>8,9</sup> have been raised to parts of the interpretation of this system,

TABLE I. Data for five systems. Column 1 gives the Fourth Lick Catalog number, Column 2 the star name, Column 3 the spectral type (*HD* Rev.) of each component (in all cases listed the spectral type being the same for both components), Column 4 the effective temperature corresponding to the spectral type, Column 5 the mean radius of the two components, the solar radius being taken as unity, Column 6 the semimajor axis of the relative orbit using the same unit of length, Column 7 the percentage contribution of each star to the total luminosity of the system, Column 8 the semiamplitudes of the two radial velocity curves, and Column 9 the predicted  $\Delta V$ . In all cases the inclination of the orbital plane exceeds 86.5°

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Sta No. nam	Star name	е Туре	Eff. temp. °K	Mean rad.	Semi- major axis	Lumin. contrib. percent	ampli- tudes km/sec	$\Delta V$ km/sec
78 115 251 296 322	TT Aur. WW Aur. TX Her. Z Vul. Y Cyg.	B3 A7 A2 B3 O9	18 000 8 000 10 000 18 000 25 000	4.3 2.1 1.6 4.3 5.9	11.7 12.5 10.7 15.1 28.4	68; 32 55; 45 64; 36 75; 25 50; 50	197:246 116;135 121;140 96;214 245;241	70 000 610 1 000 54 000 200 000

it still appears quite probable that during the eclipse. the light of the *cF* star passes *through* the outer part of its companion I star. During eclipse ionized lines arising from the outer parts of the I star indicate the presence of gaseous material. At eclipse, we therefore have the ideal situation of a long path length though matter in the presence of a radiation field.

If one uses the Yerkes model,<sup>7</sup> the maximum dip of the cF star below the I star's edge is  $2.4 \times 10^{13}$  cm and the radius of the I star is  $2 \times 10^{14}$  cm. If the I star was perfectly spherical, the F star's light would travel along a chord of the I star,  $2 \times 10^{14}$  cm long. If one uses  $T_I = 1200^{\circ}$ K, the predicted  $\Delta V$  is 2400 km/sec. Judging from the observations, this is at least 200 times too large. If the path length is chosen so as to be equal to the effective length over which optical absorption occurs,<sup>7</sup>  $\Delta V$  is decreased by a factor of ten. It is to be noted that the temperature used for this calculation is

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