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ABSTRACT

Magnetooptical studies have been made of two small-gap semiconductors, $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ and InSb. For InSb we have made a group-theoretical determination of the allowed band parameters, including three not previously defined. We show that the harmonics of cyclotron resonance observed experimentally are induced by the warping and inversion asymmetry effects usually neglected in the quasi Ge model for this material.

We have performed magnetoreflection experiments on a series of singlecrystal specimens of the $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te alloy system, for alloy compositions $0.175 \le x \le 0.269$ in the small-gap semiconductor region. These experiments have been interpreted to yield the parameters of the quasi Ge model: $y_1 = 2.5 \pm 0.4$, $y_2 = -0.3 \pm 0.2$, $y_3 = 0.5 \pm 0.1$, $K = -1.2 \pm 0.1$ and $F = -0.7 \pm 0.3$, using $\Delta = 1$ eV, with E_g and E_p determined from a twoparameter fit to each set of data giving $E_p = 17.9 \pm 0.2$ eV and values of the energy gap which fit reasonably well to $E_g(x, T) = -0.31 + 1.88x$ $+$ (1-2x) 5×10^{-4} T(K) eV at temperatures $T = 24$ K and 91K.

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{. INTRODUCTION

This thesis investigation has been concerned with two materials, $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ and InSb, which belong to the class of materials known as the small-gap semiconductors. Such materials are of technological interest because the conduction electrons have very small effective masses and large g-factors and, consequently, have large mobilities and, among other interesting properties, large cross sections for spin-flip Raman scattering. The semiconductors in this class which crystallize in the zincblende structure, as do $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te and InSb, are of interest for detector applications because of their direct energy gaps, at the center of the Brillouin zone, and because of the high purity with which they can be grown.

A. InSb

InSb is a compound III-V semiconductor which has for some time been a prototype of both small-gap and zincblende semiconductors. It is available in samples of extremely high quality. It is used for the detection of infared and far infrared radiation, $\frac{1}{1}$ and is the material most used for the spin-flip Raman laser.² It is perhaps the most-studied semiconductor (with the exception of Ge), starting with the early cyclotron resonance $\exp\text{erimes}$, 3 and culminating with the work of Pidgeon and Brown⁴ and Pidgeon and Groves.⁵ They developed a theoretical model for the energies of the conduction and valence bands in an applied magnetic field in terms of a number of adjustable parameters. They used the results of their interband magnetoabsorption, magnetoreflection and Faraday rotation experiments to determine these parameters. Although there are discrepancies between the values of the parameters obtained from these interband measurements and those obtained from intra-conduction-band^{6,7}

and intra-valence-band⁸ cyclotron resonance experiments, the validity of the model is generally accepted.

An important exception has been the observation in InSb of a number of harmonics of the conduction band cyclotron resonance transition, most recently by Favrot, Aggarwal and Lax. 9 Although in principle these could have been understood in terms of the so-called warping effects first studied in Ge, 10 and the inversion asymmetry effects which are important for zincblende materials, ^{11, 12} the only calculation of the selection rules for these transitions 13 was restricted to one orientation of magnetic field with respect to the crystal axes and did not agree with the earlier experiments in unspecified orientations. 14 These effects were shown by Pidgeon and Groves⁵ to induce extra interband transitions, primarily in the [111] orientation, which they used to determine the small warping and inversion asymmetry parameters. The anisotropy of the cyclotron harmonic transitions was finally emphasized by the experiments of Favrot et al., 9^{9} in the three orientations [001], [110] and [111].

The objective of our study of InSb was a theoretical determination of the selection rules for these cyclotron harmonic transitions, with the ultimate objective being a determination of the parameters of the warping and inversion asymmetry effects from a comparison of the theoretical and experimental intensities. Our investigation has demonstrated that these harmonic transitions are, indeed, induced by the warping and inversion asymmetry effects, with absorption strengths of the correct order of magnitude. The selection rules agree with the experiments of Favrot et al.⁹ except for one unpredicted experimental transition. Because of this exception, we have not attempted a detailed determination of the warping and inversion asymmetry parameters. This must await an understanding of this extra transition, and would be facilitated by more

careful studies of the absorption strengths.

In the course of our investigation we found that the model of Pidgeon and $Brown⁴$ was incomplete; we have made a group-theoretical analysis including the full effects of electron spin, and have found three new parameters, including two inversion asymmetry parameters. Thus our investigation has laid the groundwork for further refinements of our understanding of the zincblende semiconductors.

 $B.$ Hg_{1-y}Cd_yTe

 $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te denotes a system of ternary alloys of the II-VI materials HgTe and CdTe. These all form single crystals in the zincblende structure, with a lattice parameter which varies slightly, and nearly linearly, from 6.46 Å at $x = 0$ (HgTe) to 6.48 \hat{A} at $x = 1$ (CdTe). These alloys are of particular interest because the energy gap varies with alloy composition as illustrated in Fig. I-1. For $x \ge 0.17$ (depending on the temperature) the bands have the normal structure of a zincblende semiconductor such as InSb, with a Γ_6 conduction band, a degenerate Γ_8 valence band and a Γ_7 split-off band; CdTe has a rather large energy gap $E_g \approx 1.6$ eV. For $x \le 0.16$ the Γ_6 band is submerged below the Γ_{8} band which now becomes both the conduction and valences bands which are degenerate at $\vec{k}=0$. This band structure was established for HgTe by Groves, Brown and Pidgeon, ¹⁵ with an energy "gap" $E_g = E(\Gamma_6) - E(\Gamma_8) \approx -0.3$ eV.

For $x \ge 0.16$ Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe forms a truly "small-gap" semiconductor, with arbitrarily small gap and band-edge effective mass. For a given application, one can select the best material, for example, for detectors with a given response curve, $^{16, 17}$ by growing material with the appropriate alloy composition. Another important application for this variable gap is the spin-flip Raman laser.²

HgTe Hg_Q83 Cd_{O.17} Te CdTe

Fig. I-1. $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ bands at the Γ point.

The cross section for electronic Raman scattering is resonant when the laser pump photon energy is near the band gap energy, $^{18, 19}$ and since the CO₂ laser is a powerful source of infrared radiation, $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xT$ e chosen with a gap at about $10 \mu m$, in a spin-flip Raman laser, may prove to be an extremely intense source of tunable infrared radiation. 20

The fundamental properties of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te alloys were reviewed by Harman.²¹ More recently, the energy gap was shown to vary almost linearly with x and with temperature by Schmit and Stelzer¹⁷ from detector cutoff wavelengths. However, their data show deviations from their fitted curves for sample temperatures below 100K and for energy gaps below 100 meV. Magnetooptical studies have been made for a few values of alloy composition: interband magnetoreflection for $x = 0.16^{22}$ and 0.17, 23 and intra-conduction-band cyclotron and combined resonance for $x = 0.203^{24}$ and 0.204.²⁵ Values of the energy gap deduced from these experiments tended to be somewhat lower than those found by Schmit and Stelzer, 17 and values of the interband coupling energy E_p ranged from about 17 to 20 eV. A knowledge of these parameters is necessary to predict the electronic properties of these alloys for a given application. Until the recent work of Guldner et al., 26 no attempt had been made to determine other parameters, such as the higher-band effective mass parameters, for this material.

The objective of our study of the $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ system was to make a systematic determination of the band parameters, especially the energy gap, over a range of alloy compositions spanning the small-gap semiconductor region which is of technological interest. We have carried out interband magnetoreflection measurements on ten specimens of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$, with 0.175 $\leq x \leq 0.269$, at both liquid helium (24 K) and liquid nitrogen (91K) temperatures. We have obtained band parameters by fitting transition energies calculated using the

theoretical model developed for InSb, to the positions of our magnetoreflectivity peaks. Our results include more accurate and systematic values for E_g and E_p , as well as improved values for most of the higher-band parameters.

During the course of our investigation we became aware of similar work by Guldner et al., 26 who carried out magnetoabsorption experiments for $0 < x < 0.3$. They deduce quite different values for E_n and the valence band parameters. They do not give their results as a function of alloy composition, only of E_{σ} , and most of their results are for the semimetallic region (E_{σ} < 0). We will give a detailed comparison of our results with those of Guldner et al. 26

We were unable to observe any extra transitions induced by warping and inversion asymmetry, such as were used by Pidgeon and Groves 5 to determine these parameters for InSb. The accuracy of our results was limited by the inhomogeneity of the alloy composition of our samples, which caused our reflectivity lines to be broad. More accurate results must await improvements in the techniques for growing this material.

This thesis is divided into six Chapters. In Chapter II we give the basic theory for zincblende semiconductors, developing the quasi Ge model which we will use for both InSb and $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$. In Chapter III we present our results for InSb, using the terms usually neglected in the quasi Ge model as perturbations which induce the cyclotron harmonic transitions. In Chapter IV we describe our experiments on $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$, which we analyze in terms of the quasi Ge model in Chapter V. Chapter VI includes a summary of our results and suggestions for future work.

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II. $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ THEORY FOR ZINCBLENDE SEMICONDUCTORS

In this Chapter we develop a method for calculating the conduction and valence band energies for the small-gap zincblende semiconductors. The $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ Hamiltonian is obtained in Sec. A to second order in \vec{k} and to first order in the applied magnetic field \vec{H} , as a matrix coupling the Γ_6 (J = 1/2) conduction band, the Γ_g (J=3/2) light and heavy hole bands, and the Γ_g (J=1/2) spin-orbit splitoff valence band. This is developed in Sec. ^B into the quasi Ge model which enables one to make numerical calculations for the energies of the conduction and valence band Landau levels in a magnetic field. These energies will be compared in Chapt. V with the results of our magnetoreflection experiments on $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$. This model is obtained by neglecting a number of small terms, proportional to the so-called warping and inversion asymmetry parameters, which are shown in Chapt. III to induce the cyclotron harmonic transitions which have been observed in InSb.

Zincblende Hamiltonian to Second Order in \vec{k} $A.$

In order to obtain the $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ matrix Hamiltonian for a zincblende semiconductor, that is for the set of coupled bands illustrated in Fig. II-1, there have been two different approaches based on group- theoretical techniques. In the first approach^{1, 2} one finds interband matrix elements $\vec{p}_{\alpha\beta}$ of the $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ perturbation Hamiltonian $\hbar \vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}_{\alpha\beta}$ /m, and also of the spin-orbit Hamiltonian. For the case of InSb, Kane² enumerated all possible combinations of these matrix elements to second order in \vec{k} among the single-group basis states transforming as Γ_1 (conduction band S) and Γ_4 (valence bands X, Y and Z) of the T_d group. The first order matrix elements $\vec{p}_{\alpha\beta}$, and second-order combinations involving intermediate states belonging to different representations

Fig. II-1. Zincblende semiconductor energy bands, illustrating the dependence on crystal momentum \vec{k} (\vec{H} =0) and, in an applied magnetic field \vec{H} , the coupled sets of Landau levels in the quasi Ge model.

of the T_d single group, were adjustable parameters of the pertubation Hamiltonian. This Hamiltonian was expressed in terms of linear combinations of the functions X, Y, and Z and of the spin-functions \uparrow and \downarrow , which diagonalize the spin-orbit interaction. This Hamiltonian involves matrix elements coupling the various basis states including adjustable parameters multiplying functions to second order in \vec{k} . A second approach to obtaining this Hamiltonian was made by Luttinger, 3 who used a group-theoretical analysis to find all allowed matrix elements of \vec{k} and $\vec{k} \times \vec{k}$ among the valence band states transforming as the Γ_g representation of the double group. His result involved adjustable parameters which were linear combinations of those of Kane, 2 but included an additional parameter, q, which is non-zero only in the presence of spin-orbit splittings of the intermediate states. Luttinger's results were extended by Roth et al.⁴ to include the Γ_7 split-off band. Pidgeon and Brown⁵ included the Γ_6 conduction band in their analysis, combining the results of Kane and of Roth et al. The use of this model in the analysis of magnetooptical investigations was reviewed in detail by Aggarwal.⁶

In this Chapter we use the second approach to obtain a complete set of parameters for the coupled Γ_6 , Γ_7 and Γ_8 bands and find three new parameters in addition to those of Refs. ² and 4, which have the same origin as Luttinger's parameter $q³$ Our group theoretical treatment makes use of the Koster, Dimmock, Wheeler and Statz (KDWS) tables of coupling coefficients.⁷ Although their basis functions are not stated explicitly, we find these by comparing our resulting matrix with those of Refs. 2 and 4. This set of basis functions is given below, in terms of the basis functions used by Kane.²

 $(II-1)$

a-set

$$
|1\rangle = \psi_{1/2, 1/2}^{6} = St
$$

\n
$$
|3\rangle = \psi_{3/2, 3/2}^{8} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (X + iY)t
$$

\n
$$
|5\rangle = \psi_{3/2, -1/2}^{8} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} [(X - iY)t + 2Zt]
$$

\n
$$
|7\rangle = \psi_{1/2, -1/2}^{7} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [(X - iY)t - Zt]
$$

b-set

$$
|2\rangle = \psi_{1/2, -1/2}^{6} = S1
$$

\n
$$
|6\rangle = \psi_{3/2, 1/2}^{8} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} [(X + iY) + 2Zt]
$$

\n
$$
|4\rangle = \psi_{3/2, -3/2}^{8} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (X - iY)
$$

\n
$$
|8\rangle = \psi_{1/2, 1/2}^{7} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [(X + iY) + Zt]
$$

In Table II-1 this set is compared to those used in previous work. The states $|3\rangle$, $|4\rangle$, $|5\rangle$ and $|6\rangle$ are the same, except for an overall factor of (-i), as those used by Pidgeon and Groves.⁸ These four states form a representation of the $J = 3/2(\Gamma_8)$ valence band, and, as stated by Pidgeon and Groves, the $4x4 \vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ matrices involving these states agree with those given by Luttinger.³ The valence band states are equal to those of Eqs. (23) and (A-3) of Roth, Lax and Zwerdling⁴ except for an overall factor of $(-i)$ and an additional factor of (-1) in states $|4\rangle$ and $|6\rangle$, so that our a-set matrices for the valence band (states $|3\rangle$, $|5\rangle$ and $|7\rangle$) will agree with the equations in the Appendix of Ref. 4, but the b-set matrix will have opposite signs in the off-diagonal elements of the last

TABLE II-1. Comparison of the basis states with previous work.
For the last column, $\alpha = \exp(i\pi/8)$ and the states v_1 through v_8 comprise the basis set of Ref. 6 after the transformations in Eqs. (73-77) of Ref. 6.

 a -set

 b -set

row and column. The states $|1\rangle$ through $|8\rangle$ are identical with a set used by Groves, Pidgeon, Ewald and Wagner, ⁹ except for a factor of (-1) in state $|6\rangle$. Thus the $J = 3/2$ subset of Ref. 9 does not give the same matrices as those in Ref. 3.

Finally, the states $|1\rangle$ through $|8\rangle$ are related to those of Pidgeon and Brown⁵ and of Aggarwal⁶ as indicated in the last two columns of Table II-1. Our results for the 8x8 $\vec{k}\cdot\vec{p}$ Hamiltonian will be related to those of Ref. 5 by a unitary transformation. This transformation is nearly the same as the one given by Aggarwal⁶ from work by Reine.¹⁰ The resulting $4x4$ matrices for the a and b sets are real. Apart from overall factors, our states differ from those of Ref. 6 by a factor of (-1) for the states $|4\rangle$ and $|5\rangle$, which gives a factor of (-1) in the off-diagonal elements in the third row and third column of each 4x4 matrix.

As can be seen from the above discussion, our basis states are not identical to those of any of the important papers on the quasi Ge model. However, it is also clear that this previous work involves several inconsistent basis sets. The considerations involved in choosing our set were: (1) to make the 4×4 matrices for the a and b sets real; (2) to agree with the widelyavailable KDWS tables; 7 (3) to agree with the most extensive previous work in the quasi Ge model (a) Luttinger, 3 (b) Roth, Lax and Zwerdling, 4 (c) Pidgeon and Brown, 5 and (d) Aggarwal. 6 Our set satisfies (1), (2) and (3a); it differs slightly from $(3b)$ to satisfy (2) , from $(3c)$ to satisfy (1) , and from $(3d)$ to satisfy (3a).

The character tables for the T_d group are given by Dresselhaus, 11 and by KDWS⁷ on p. 88. It should be pointed out that the definition of Γ_4 and Γ_5 are reversed and that the column S_4 in Ref. 17 and Ix C_4 in Ref. 11 should

have the same character, which means that the definitions of Γ_6 and Γ_7 are also reversed. The spin-1/2 basis set belongs to the KDWS Γ_7 or Dresselhaus Γ_6 representation. We will use the Dresselhaus notation. Using the KDWS tables of coupling coefficients for the T_d group, we find the matrices involving terms to second order in \vec{k} among these basis functions. For example, two terms in $\vec{k} \times \vec{k}$ are $F_3^1 = 2k_z^2 - k_x^2 - k_y^2$ and $F_3^2 = \sqrt{3} (k_x^2 - k_y^2)$ which belong to the two-fold Γ_3 representation. The matrix elements of these functions among the Γ_6 , Γ_7 and Γ_8 states are proportional to the complex conjugates of the table entries on p. 91 of KDWS. The resulting matrices must be Hermitian and be invariant under time reversal. These conditions require certain parameters to be either zero or else purely real or imaginary.

All the real, independent parameters found in this manner are listed in Table II-2. We find matrices for all the previously-defined parameters. The $\Gamma_8 \times \Gamma_8$ parameters Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 , κ and q were defined by Luttinger.³ Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 and K were shown by Roth, Lax and Zwerdling⁴ also to involve the split-off band Γ_7 when one starts with single-group representations. In the full double-group picture the $\Gamma_7 \times \Gamma_7$ and $\Gamma_7 \times \Gamma_8$ parameters are independent of the $\Gamma_8 \times \Gamma_8$ ones and are denoted by γ_1 , γ_2 , γ_3 , κ and κ . The conduction band (Γ_6) effective mass parameter F, the "linear-k" parameter C for Γ_8 and the $\Gamma_6 \times \Gamma_8$ parameters P and G were defined by Dresselhaus, 11 Kane² and Dresselhaus, Kip and Kittel¹ in terms of single-group basis states; the $\Gamma_6 \times \Gamma_7$ and $\Gamma_7 \times \Gamma_8$ parameters are denoted by C', P' and G'. We also obtain three new parameters, N_1 , N_2 and N_3 . N_1 contributes to the conduction band g-factor, similar to κ in the valence bands; N_2 and N_3 represent additional couplings between the Γ_6 conduction band and the Γ_8 valence bands. In Appendix A we show that these new parameters, like q, arise from the

TABLE II-2. Parameters of the $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ Hamiltonian among the Γ_6 , Γ_7 and Γ_8 band-edge states.

k_x
\n
$$
4(k)
$$

\n k_1
\n k_2
\n k_3
\n k_4
\n k_2
\n k_3
\n k_4
\n k_1
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\n k_2

spin-orbit splitting of higher bands.

The parameters q and $\mu = (\gamma_3 - \gamma_2)/2$ are the so-called Ge warping parameters because, if these were zero, in a material like Ge with inversion symmetry, the energy bands would be isotropic or independent of the direction of \vec{k} . The parameters C, G, N₂ and N₃ are the so-called inversion asymmetry parameters because they are zero in materials like Ge with inversion symmetry but nonzero in the zincblende materials.

The complete 8×8 matrix $\mathcal K$ for the parameters listed in Table II-2 is given in Table II-3, which also includes the band-edge energies E_{σ} and Δ relative to the Γ_8 valence band, and the parts of the free electron terms not included in the definitions of y_1 and κ .³ Other terms used in Table II-3 are:

$$
k^{2} = k_{x}^{2} + k_{y}^{2} + k_{z}^{2}, \quad k^{\pm} = k_{x} \pm ik_{y}
$$

\n
$$
F_{3}^{1} = 2k_{z}^{2} - k_{x}^{2} - k_{y}^{2}, \quad F_{3}^{2} = \sqrt{3} (k_{x}^{2} - k_{y}^{2})
$$

\n
$$
F_{4}^{\pm} = \{k_{z}, k^{\pm}\} = (k_{z}k^{\pm} + k^{\pm}k_{z}), \quad F_{4}^{z} = \{k_{x}, k_{y}\}
$$

\n
$$
H_{z} = i[k_{x}, k_{y}], \quad H^{\pm} = \pm [k^{\pm}, k_{z}]
$$

For simplicity, Table II-3 is given in atomic units $h = m = 1$.

B. Quasi Ge Model in a Magnetic Field

For a magnetic field \vec{H} in an arbitrary direction defined by the spherical polar angles θ and ϕ , we perform the following coordinate transformation illustrated in Fig. II-2:

TABLE II-3. $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ Hamiltonian for a zincblende semiconductor. The terms used are defined in Eqs. (II-1, 2). The upper triangle is the Hermitian conjugate of the lower triangle.

Fig. II-2. Coordinate transformation in a magnetic field H; (X, Y, Z) are the cubic crystal axes, and $(1, 2, 3)$ are the new axes with $H||3$.

$$
k_x = \cos \theta \cos \phi k_1 - \sin \phi k_2 + \cos \phi \sin \theta k_3
$$

\n
$$
k_y = \cos \theta \sin \phi k_1 + \cos \phi k_2 + \sin \phi \sin \theta k_3
$$
 (II-3)
\n
$$
k_z = -\sin \theta k_1 + \cos \theta k_3
$$

A similar transformation was given by Luttinger³ for the case $\phi = 45^{\circ}$ which confines the magnetic field to the $(1\overline{1}0)$ crystal plane. The new coordinate axes (1, 2,3) are shown in Fig. II-2, where the magnetic field is along the 3-axis. The corresponding rotation of the basis states results in a transformation of the $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ Hamiltonian according to $\mathcal{K}(\theta, \phi) = U^{\dagger} \mathcal{K}U$ where U is given in Table II-4. We then set

$$
k_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda \sqrt{2}} (a + a^{\dagger}), k_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda \sqrt{2}} (a - a^{\dagger}), k_3 = k_{\text{H}}
$$
 (II-4)

where $\lambda = (\text{hc}/\text{eH})^{1/2}$ is the Landau radius, c is the velocity of light, $\hbar k_H$ is the component of the momentum along the direction of the applied magnetic field, and a*, a are raising and lowering operators for harmonic oscillator functions ϕ_n :

$$
a^{+}\phi_{n} = \sqrt{n+1} \phi_{n+1}, \quad a\phi_{n} = \sqrt{n}\phi_{n-1},
$$

$$
N\phi_{n} = a^{+}a\phi_{n} = n\phi_{n}
$$
 (II-5)

and

$$
[a, a+] \equiv aa+ - a+a = 1
$$
 (II-6)

Fig. II-2, with $S \equiv \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$, $C \equiv \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$ and $\alpha \equiv \exp(i\phi/2)$. $0 - 3x^*$ \bullet \bullet \circ \circ $|11\rangle$ $C\alpha^*$ \mathbf{o} \overline{O} 0 $\sqrt{3} S^2 \alpha^{*3} - S^3 \alpha^{*3}$ $J\overline{3}S^2C\alpha^{*3}$ $|13\rangle$ $C^3 \mathcal{L}^{13}$ \circ \circ $(3C^2-1)$ Sx - $\sqrt{3}SC^2$ x $\sqrt{35}$ cd $(1-35^2)$ cd 0 \circ \mathcal{O} $|15\rangle$ \circ S_{α} $|17\rangle$ \circ C_{α} \circ \circ \circ O^{L} $\mathbf C$ $|12\rangle$ C_{d} \circ \circ \circ S_{α} \circ 0 $(1-35^{2})Cd^{*}$ $\sqrt{35}Cd^{*}$ 0 $|16\rangle$ $\sqrt{3}SC^2d^* - (3C^2-1)Sc^*$ \circ \circ $0 \t 0 \t 53\zeta d^3 \t C^3 d^3$ $|14\rangle$ $S^3\alpha^3$ $\sqrt{3}$ SC²³ \circ \circ $-Sat^*$ 0 0 0 Cat^* 187 \circ \circ

TABLE II-4. Rotation matrix U for the coordinate transformation in

The resulting $\mathcal{K}(\theta)$ separates into two 4x4 matrices for the a and b sets

$$
\mathfrak{K}(\theta) \approx \begin{bmatrix} \mathfrak{K}_a & 0 \\ 0 & \mathfrak{K}_b \end{bmatrix} \tag{II-7}
$$

if one neglects terms proportional to k_H , q, C, G, N₂ and N₃ and most terms proportional to the warping parameter $\mu = \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_3 - \gamma_2)$. One can include some warping by way of two valence-band effective mass parameters

$$
\gamma' \equiv \gamma_3 + (\gamma_2 - \gamma_3) f(\theta, \phi)
$$

\n
$$
\gamma'' \equiv \frac{1}{3} \gamma_2 + \frac{2}{3} \gamma_3 + \frac{1}{6} (\gamma_2 - \gamma_3) f(\theta, \phi)
$$
\n(II-8)

where

$$
f(\theta,\phi) = \left(\frac{3\cos^2\theta - 1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}\cos^2 2\phi \sin^4\theta \qquad (II-9)
$$

These parameters were defined previously, 3 for the case $\phi = 45^{\circ} = \pi/4$, corresponding to the magnetic field \vec{H} in the (110) plane, which makes the second term in Eq. (II-9) equal to zero. The average of this term over all angles θ and ϕ is 1/5, which is equal to that of the first term, so that $f(\theta, \phi) = 2/5$.

The 4x4 matrices \mathcal{K}_a and \mathcal{K}_b in Eq. (II-7) are displayed in Table II-5, where the terms involving Y_1 , Y' , and Y'' in the fourth rows and columns are included in the single-group approximation $P^{\prime} \approx P$, $\gamma_1^{\prime} \approx \gamma_1$, etc. Also in Table II-5, P is included using the interband energy $E_p \equiv 2mP^2/h^2$, and $\beta \equiv e\hbar/2mc$ is the Bohr magneton. Table II-5 is now in ordinary energy

TABLE II-5. The quasi Ge model Hamiltonians.

$$
H_{a}
$$
\n
$$
E_{\mathbf{g}} \cdot [(2N+1)F
$$
\n
$$
+ N_{2} + N + 1]2\beta H
$$
\n
$$
- [(2N+1)(i, +8') - [3\beta H E_{\rho} \alpha \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}\beta H E_{\rho}} \alpha \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}\beta H E_{\rho}} \alpha]|1\rangle
$$
\n
$$
- [(2N+1)(i, +8') - 2\sqrt{3}8' \beta H \alpha^{2} - 2\sqrt{6}8' \beta H \alpha^{2}]|3\rangle
$$
\n
$$
- \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}\beta H E_{\rho}} \alpha^{+} \alpha^{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}8' \beta H \alpha^{2}} - [(2N+1)(i, -8') - \sqrt{2}[(2N+1)8']|5\rangle
$$
\n
$$
- \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}\beta H E_{\rho}} \alpha^{+} \alpha^{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}[(2N+1)8' - 4 - [(2N+1)8] - (2N-1)]\beta H}|7\rangle
$$

 $\mathcal{H}_{b}:$

$$
E_{3} + [(2N+1)F - N_{2} + N] 3\beta H
$$
\n
$$
- [2N+1)(X, -Y') - [2N+1](X, -Y')
$$
\n
$$
- [2N+1)(X, -Y') - 2[2N+1] \beta H
$$
\n
$$
- [2N+1)(X, -Y') - 2[2N+1] \beta H
$$
\n
$$
- \sqrt{\beta H E_{\rho}} a^{+} 2\sqrt{3} X'' \beta H a^{+} - [2N+1](X, +Y')
$$
\n
$$
- 3X J \beta H
$$
\n
$$
2\sqrt{6} X'' \beta H a^{+} a^{+}
$$
\n
$$
- 3X J \beta H
$$
\n
$$
2\sqrt{6} X'' \beta H a^{+} a^{+}
$$
\n
$$
- \sqrt{2} [(2N+1)Y' - 3X J \beta H - 2\sqrt{6} X'' \beta H a^{+} a^{+}]
$$
\n
$$
+ 2X + 1 J \beta H
$$
\n
$$
+ 2X + 1 J \beta H
$$
\n
$$
+ 2X + 1 J \beta H
$$
\n
$$
+ 2X + 1 J \beta H
$$
\n
$$
+ 2X + 1 J \beta H
$$

units since E_g , Δ , E_p and βH have the dimensions of energy and F , K , N_1 and the Y's are dimensionless.

The Hamiltonians of Table II-5 are equivalent¹² to those of Pidgeon and Brown⁵ [their Eqs. (10) and (11)] when account is taken of the different basis sets as indicated in Table II-1. Table II-5 is also equivalent to Eqs. (B-9) and (B-10) of Roth, Lax and Zwerdling⁴ for the Γ_g and Γ_g band energies except, as indicated in Table II-1, for a sign change in the matrix elements involving the Γ_7 , b-set state.

The solutions to the Schröedinger equations

$$
\mathcal{K}_{a} |a\rangle = E_{a} |a\rangle
$$
\n
$$
\mathcal{K}_{b} |b\rangle = E_{b} |b\rangle
$$
\n(II-10)

are of the form

$$
|a(n)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^n \phi_n \\ a_3^n \phi_{n-1} \\ a_5^n \phi_{n+1} \\ a_7^n \phi_{n+1} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad |b(n)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} b_2^n \phi_n \\ b_6^n \phi_{n-1} \\ b_4^n \phi_{n+1} \\ b_4^n \phi_{n+1} \\ b_8^n \phi_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \qquad (II-11)
$$

with $n \ge -1$ and with $a_1^{-1} = b_2^{-1} = a_3^{-1} = a_3^0 = b_6^{-1} = b_6^0 = b_8^{-1} = b_8^0 = 0$. For $n \ge 1$ there are eight independent solutions $|a(n)\rangle$, $|b(n)\rangle$ for each n, which are denoted, in order of decreasing energy, conduction band $[|a^C(n)\rangle$, $|b^C(n)\rangle$], heavy hole $[|a^-(n)\rangle, |b^-(n)\rangle]$, light hole $[|a^+(n)\rangle, |b^+(n)\rangle]$ and split-off band $[|a^S(n)\rangle, |b^S(n)\rangle]$. These states are illustrated in Fig. II-1. Although a number of authors^{3, 4, 13, 14} have given approximate analytical solutions for the states $|a(n)\rangle$, $|b(n)\rangle$ and the corresponding energies E[a(n)], E[b(n)], the numerical solutions obtained by Pidgeon and Brown⁵ were necessary to given an accurate fit to their interband magneto-optical experiments in InSb.

Aggarwal^{6} has given approximate solutions for the conduction and valence band energies from Eqs. (II-10), which are useful for understanding the effects of the various parameters. We have extended these to include some terms proportional to N_1 and also to q (see next Chapter). The conduction band energies are, to first order in H,

$$
E[a^{C}(n)] \approx E_{g} + (n + \frac{1}{2})\hbar\omega_{c} + \frac{1}{2}g_{c}^{\beta}H
$$

\n
$$
E[b^{C}(n)] \approx E_{g} + (n + \frac{1}{2})\hbar\omega_{c} - \frac{1}{2}g_{c}^{\beta}H
$$
\n(II-12)

where $\omega_c = eH/m_c c$ and

$$
\frac{m}{m_{c}} = 1 + 2F + \frac{1}{3}E_{p}\left(\frac{2}{E_{g}} + \frac{1}{E_{g} + \Delta}\right)
$$
\n
$$
g_{c} = 2 + 4N_{1} - \frac{2}{3}E_{p}\left(\frac{1}{E_{g}} - \frac{1}{E_{g} + \Delta}\right)
$$
\n(II-13)

The valence band energies are, for $n \geq 1$

$$
E[a^{\pm}(n)] \approx -2\beta H \left\{ (n + \frac{1}{2}) \gamma_{1}^{L} - \gamma^{\prime L} + \frac{1}{2} \kappa^{L} + (\frac{5}{8} + f)q
$$

$$
\pm \sqrt{[\gamma_{1}^{L} - (n + \frac{1}{2}) \gamma^{\prime L} - \kappa^{L} - \frac{1}{2} (\frac{9}{2} - f)]^{2} + 3n(n+1)(\gamma^{\prime \prime L})^{2}} \right\}
$$

$$
E[b^{\pm}(n)] \approx -2\beta H \left\{ (n + \frac{1}{2}) \gamma_{1}^{L} + \gamma^{\prime L} - \frac{1}{2} \kappa^{L} - (\frac{5}{8} + f)q
$$

$$
\pm \sqrt{[\gamma_{1}^{L} + (n + \frac{1}{2}) \gamma^{\prime L} - \kappa^{L} - \frac{1}{2} (\frac{9}{2} - f)q]^{2} + 3n(n+1)(\gamma^{\prime \prime L})^{2}} \right\}
$$

where $f = f(\theta, \phi)$ and γ_1^L , γ^L , etc., are the parameters originally defined by Luttinger³:

$$
\gamma_{1}^{L} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{E_{p}}{E_{g}} + \gamma_{1}
$$

\n
$$
\gamma_{1}^{L} = \frac{1}{6} \frac{E_{p}}{E_{g}} + \gamma_{1}
$$

\n
$$
\gamma_{2}^{L} = \frac{1}{6} \frac{E_{p}}{E_{g}} + \gamma_{2}
$$

\n
$$
\gamma_{1}^{L} = \frac{1}{6} \frac{E_{p}}{E_{g}} + \gamma_{2}
$$

\n
$$
\gamma_{2}^{L} = \frac{1}{6} \frac{E_{p}}{E_{g}} + \gamma_{2}
$$

\n
$$
(II - 15)
$$

For large n, the energy differences in Eqs. (II-14) are approximately equal to $E \approx -2\beta$ Hm/m₊ where the effective masses for the light and heavy hole bands are given by

$$
\frac{m}{m_{\pm}} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{E_p}{E_g} + \gamma_1 \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{6} \frac{E_p}{E_g} + \gamma'\right)^2 + 3\left(\frac{1}{6} \frac{E_p}{E_g} + \gamma'\right)^2} \quad (II-16)
$$

For $E_p/E_g \gg \gamma'$, γ'' this gives

$$
\frac{m}{m_{+}} \approx \frac{2}{3} \frac{E_p}{E_g} + \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{2} (\gamma' + 3\gamma'')
$$
\n(II-17)\n
$$
\frac{m}{m_{-}} \approx \gamma_1 - \frac{1}{2} (\gamma' + 3\gamma'')
$$

Thus for large E_p/E_g the light hole band is nearly the mirror image of the conduction band (equal but opposite curvature or mass), and the heavy hole band has a large effective mass $({\sim}\gamma_1^{-1})$ which is sensitive to the warping effects contained in γ' and γ'' . The conduction band effective mass and g-factor in Eqs. (II-13) contain the higher-band contributions F and N_1

which also were considered by Johnson and Dickey.¹⁵

The strongest allowed optical transitions among the states of Eqs. (II-11) are those proportional to the interband matrix element P; that is, we find the optical perturbation \mathcal{K}_{ω} by replacing \vec{k} by $\vec{k} + \frac{e\vec{A}}{\hbar c}$ in the matrix for P, where \vec{A} is the light vector potential in the radiation gauge. The resulting transition matrix elements are

$$
\langle a(n') | \mathcal{K}_{\omega}^{\prime} | a(n) \rangle = \frac{eE}{\omega} \sqrt{\frac{E_p}{6m}} \left\{ [\sqrt{3} a_3^n a_1^n - a_1^n (a_5^n - \sqrt{2} a_7^n)] \right\}
$$

\n
$$
\frac{e}{\omega} \delta_{n', n+1} + [n \leftrightarrow n] \hat{\epsilon}_{+} \delta_{n', n-1} \right\}
$$

\n
$$
\langle b(n') | \mathcal{K}_{\omega}^{\prime} | b(n) \rangle = \frac{eE}{\omega} \sqrt{\frac{E_p}{6m}} \left\{ [(b_0^n' + \sqrt{2} b_8^n) b_2^n - \sqrt{3} b_2^n b_4^n \right\}
$$

\n
$$
\frac{e}{\omega} \delta_{n', n+1} + [n \leftrightarrow n'] \hat{\epsilon}_{+} \delta_{n', n-1} \right\}
$$

\n
$$
\langle b(n') | \mathcal{K}_{\omega}^{\prime} | a(n) \rangle = -\frac{eE}{\omega} \sqrt{\frac{E_p}{6m}} \left[b_2^n' (\sqrt{2} a_5^n + a_7^n) + (\sqrt{2} b_6^n - b_8^n) a_1^n \right] \hat{\epsilon}_{3} \delta_{n', n+1}
$$

\n(II-18)

where E is the optical electric field. $\hat{\epsilon}_+$ and $\hat{\epsilon}_-$ are the unit polarization vectors $(\hat{\epsilon}_1 \pm i \hat{\epsilon}_2)/\sqrt{2}$ for, respectively, right and left circular polarization σ_R , σ_L transverse to the magnetic field \vec{H} , and $\hat{\epsilon}_3$ is a unit polarization vector parallel to \vec{H} usually referred to as the π or $\vec{E} \parallel \vec{H}$ polarization. Thus the selection rules for both inter- and intra-band transitions (before renumbering of the valence bands) are

$$
\sigma_L: a_n \to a_{n+1} , b_n \to b_{n+1}
$$

\n $\sigma_R: a_n \to a_{n-1} , b_n \to b_{n-1}$
\n $\pi: a_n \to b_{n+1} , b_n \to a_{n-1}$ (II-19)

The selection rules for interband transitions given by Roth et al.⁴ and by Pidgeon and Brown⁵ were, for σ_{L} and σ_{R} , $\Delta n = 0$ and -2 rather than +1 and -1 respectively. This is because they renumbered all valence band states $n \rightarrow n+1$ so that the state numbers n correspond to the harmonic oscillator number of one of the larger terms (the coefficient of state $|5\rangle$ or $|4\rangle$ in Eqs. (II-11)). We do not renumber the valence band states, so that each set of states n are coupled in the quasi Ge model.⁹

For the intra-conduction-band transitions illustrated in Fig. II-3, the σ_{L} transition occurs at the cyclotron frequency $\omega \approx \omega_c$, and the π transition at the "combined resonance" frequency $\omega \approx \omega_c + \omega_s$, ¹⁶ where ω_s is the spin-flip frequency given by $h\omega_{s} = g_{c} \beta H$. The interband transitions illustrated in Fig. 1I-4 occur as series of oscillations corresponding to transitions from the light- and heavy-hole ladders to the conduction band ladders,

Fig. II-3. Intra-conduction band transitions allowed in the quasi Ge model (ω_c and $\omega_c + \omega_s$) and induced by warping $(3\omega_c)$.

Fig. II-4. Interband transitions allowed in the quasi Ge model. A similar set of transitions connects the b-set levels.

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III. SELECTION RULES FOR WARPING AND INVERSION ASYMMETRY. {INDUCED CYCLOTRON-HARMONICTRANSITIONS IN InSb

As the result of many magnetooptical investigations, most electronic properties of InSb are reasonably well understood in terms of the quasi Ge model presented in the preceding Chapter. An important exception has been a number of observations in n-type InSb of the second and third harmonics of cyclotron resonance, denoted by $2\omega_c$ and $3\omega_c$, 1^{-6} as well as the spin-shifted harmonic denoted by $2\omega_c + \omega_g$.⁶ These transitions have been observed along with the allowed combined resonance $\omega_c + \omega_s$ transition, ¹ and the LO-phonon-assisted resonances $\omega_c + \omega_{LO}$, $2\omega_c + \omega_{LO}$, etc.^{2, 3} The latter have been explained by the theoretical work of Enck, Saleh and Fan, 2 and of Bass and Levinson.⁷ Bell and Rogers⁸ obtained selection rules for warping and inversion-asymmetry induced harmonic transitions, for an applied magnetic field \vec{H} parallel to a [001] crystal axis. Favrot, Aggarwal and Lax^6 recently reported that the intensity of these transitions exhibits marked anisotropy with respect to the crystal orientation relative to the applied magnetic field, in addition to its dependence on the optical polarization. In this Chapter we obtain the selection rules for cyclotron harmonic transitions induced by warping and inversion asymmetry for the magnetic field applied along the crystal axes [001], [110] and $[111]$.⁹ These selection rules are consistent with the experimental results with one important exception. Favrot et al.⁶ observed a strong $2\omega_c$, absorption for the light polarization vector $\vec{E} \perp \vec{H}$ with $\vec{H} || [001]$. This is not predicted either by us or by Bell and Rogers, 8 or by the recent work of Zawadzki and Wlasak¹⁰ for this orientation.

The main effect of the small terms neglected in the quasi Ge model of

Chapter II is to allow extra weak optical transitions. For $k_H = 0$ the warping terms μ and q allow third-harmonic transitions $a(n) \rightarrow a(n+3)$ denoted by 3μ , as observed for the heavy holes in Ge.¹¹ The inversion-asymmetry parameters C, G, N₂ and N₃ allow the second-harmonic transitions $a(n) \rightarrow a(n+2)$ denoted by 2w_c and a(n) \rightarrow b(n+2) denoted by 2w_c + w_S. For k_H \neq 0 the warping terms also induce second-harmonic transitions, 11 and the inversion asymmetry terms induce third-harmonic transitions. The optical polarizations in which these extra transitions occur depend on the orientation of the crystal axes relative to the applied magnetic field. Similar effects were shown by Pidgeon and Groves¹² to induce extra interband transitions, primarily for $\vec{H} \parallel [111]$.

The mechanism for the warping-induced 3ω transition is illustrated in Fig. II-3, in addition to the allowed transitions ω_c and $\omega_c+\omega_s$. For certain orientations of the crystal relative to the applied magnetic field, a term proportional to the warping parameter μ couples the a(4) level to the a(0) ground state in the conduction band, giving the $a(0)$ level an admixture of the a(4) wave function. Then the optical matrix element a(4) \rightarrow a(3) for $\vec{E}_1 \vec{H}$ also gives a weaker transition $a(0) \rightarrow a(3)$, denoted by $3 \omega_c$, as illustrated.

The strength of these extra transitions is found by calculating the optical matrix elements among the levels of the quasi Ge model, including the warping and inversion asymmetry perturbations as first-order corrections to the wavefunctions. In Sec. A below we obtain expressions for the warping and inversion asymmetry perturbations, and in Sec. B we calculate the transition matrix elements from these perturbations, and the resulting selection rules for intraband transitions for the magnetic field in the three principal directions [001], [110] and [111]. 'These selection rules are compared with the experimental results in Sec. C. Our results are summarized in Sec. D.

Warping and Inversion Asymmetry Perturbations, for \vec{H} in the (110) Plane A.

The terms not included in the quasi Ge Hamiltonian of Table II-5 divide into three categories: (i) terms proportional to k_H and k_H^2 ; (ii) the warping terms proportional to $\mu = \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_3 - \gamma_2)$ and q; and (iii) the inversion asymmetry terms proportional to C, G, and the new parameters N_2 and N_3 . All of these extra terms, from applying the unitary transformation of Table II-4 to the Hamiltonian matrix of Table II-3, are given in Table III-1. The terms involving k_H are proportional to the effective mass parameters F, Y_1 , and Y' , and to

$$
\gamma^{\prime\prime\prime} = \frac{2}{3}\gamma_2 + \frac{1}{3}\gamma_3 - \frac{2}{3}(\gamma_2 - \gamma_3) f(\theta, \phi) \tag{III-1}
$$

For consideration of the other terms in Table III-1, we now consider only the case $\phi = 45^{\circ}$, which corresponds to \vec{H} in the (110) crystal plane, including the three principal directions [001], [110], and [111] which were studied by Favrot et al.⁶ (see Fig. II-2). The warping terms are proportional to

$$
\mu_1 = -\frac{3}{2}\mu\beta H(3c^2 - 1)\left[s^2(a^2 + a^{+2}) - 2\sqrt{2}\,sc\lambda k_H(a+a^+) \right]
$$

\n
$$
\mu_2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\mu\beta H \left\{ s^2(3c^2 - 1)(2N + 1 - 2\lambda^2 k_H^2) - (c^2 - 3)(3c^2 - 1)a^2 + 2\sqrt{2}\,sc\lambda k_H[(5 - 3c^2)a - (3c^2 - 1)a^+] \right\}
$$

\n(III-2)

 μ_3 = - $\sqrt{3}$ μβH $\left\{$ sc[(3c²-1)(2N+1 - 2λ²k_H²) - (5-3c²)a² + (3c²-1)a⁺ + $2\sqrt{2} s^2 (3c^2-1)\lambda k_H^2$

where $c \equiv \cos \theta$, $s \equiv \sin \theta$, and to

TABLE III-1. Perturbation Hamiltonian neglected in the quasi Ge model. The terms used are defined in Eqs. (III-1 - 7). The upper triangle is the Hermitian conjugate of the lower triangle.

 $i(g_{i}+e_{i}+f_{i})$
 $i(g_{i}+e_{i}+f_{i})$
 $\vdots \qquad \qquad i \neq i+g_{i}+ic_{i}$
 $\vdots \qquad \qquad \vdots \qquad \qquad \vdots$ $(F+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\hbar^2}{m}k_{H}^{2}$ $|1\rangle$ $|13\rangle$ $|s\rangle$ $i\frac{1}{3}g_i$, $\sqrt{2}\mu_2 + i c_g$, $\sqrt{2}\times\frac{1}{m}k_g$ $|17\rangle$ O $-2(e_3-f_3)$ $-\frac{2}{3}\rho$ HE, λk_1 $-\frac{1}{3}\rho$ HE, $|2\rangle$

$$
q_1 = -\frac{3}{4}q\beta H(3c^4 - 2c^2 + 8)
$$
\n
$$
q_2 = -\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}q\beta Hs^2(3c^2 - 1)
$$
\n
$$
q_3 = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}q\beta Hs^2(3c^2 - 1)
$$
\n
$$
q_4 = -\frac{3}{4}q\beta Hs^2(3c^2 - 1)
$$
\n
$$
q_5 = -\frac{1}{4}q\beta H(27c^4 - 18c^2 - 10)
$$
\n
$$
q_6 = -\frac{9}{8}q\beta Hs^2(3c^2 - 1)
$$
\n
$$
(III-3)
$$

The terms from Eqs. (II-2) and (II-3) in the $\Gamma_8 \times \Gamma_8$ portions of Table III-1 (involving states $|3\rangle - |6\rangle$) are identical to those given by Luttinger, 13 but with the opposite signs throughout since Luttinger's equations involved hole energies. Table III-1 includes additional couplings proportional to μ between the Γ_8 and Γ_7 bands.

The inversion asymmetry terms are proportional to

$$
c_1 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{8} \frac{C}{\lambda} s(3c^2-1)(a-a^+)
$$

\n
$$
c_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{8} \frac{C}{\lambda} [5s(3c^2-1)a^+ - 3s(1+c^2)a - 2\sqrt{2}c(3c^2-1)\lambda k_H]
$$

\n
$$
c_3 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{8} \frac{C}{\lambda} [12s^2ca^+ + 2c(3c^2-1)a - \sqrt{2}s(3c^2-1)\lambda k_H]
$$

\n
$$
c_4 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{8} \frac{C}{\lambda} [2c(3c^2-1)a^+ + 3\sqrt{2}s(1+c^2)\lambda k_H]
$$

\n
$$
c_5 = \frac{1}{4} \frac{C}{\lambda} [s(3c^2-1)a^+ + 3s(1+c^2)a - \sqrt{2}c(3c^2-1)\lambda k_H]
$$

\n
$$
c_6 = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \frac{C}{\lambda} [s(3c^2-1)(a+a^+) + 3\sqrt{2}s^2ck_{H}]
$$

\n
$$
c_7 = \frac{1}{4} \frac{C}{\lambda} [3s^2ca^+ - c(3c^2-1)a - \sqrt{2}s(3c^2-1)\lambda k_H]
$$

$$
g_{1} = \frac{GBH}{\sqrt{2}} [-s(3c^{2}-1)(2N+1-2\lambda^{2}k_{H}^{2}+a^{2})-3s(1+c^{2})a^{2}
$$

\n
$$
-6\sqrt{2}s^{2}c\lambda k_{H}a + 2\sqrt{2}c(3c^{2}-1)\lambda k_{H}a^{2}]
$$

\n
$$
g_{2} = \frac{2GBH}{\sqrt{6}} [3s^{2}c(2N+1-2\lambda^{2}k_{H}^{2}) - c(3c^{2}-1)(a^{2}+a^{2})
$$

\n
$$
-2\sqrt{2}s(3c^{2}-1)\lambda k_{H}(a+a^{2})]
$$

\n
$$
e_{1} = \frac{1}{2}N_{2}\beta H[-s(3c^{2}-1)(2N+1-2\lambda^{2}k_{H}^{2}+3a^{2})+3s(1+c^{2})a^{2}-12\sqrt{2}s^{2}c\lambda k_{H}a]
$$

\n
$$
e_{2} = -\sqrt{3}N_{2}\beta H[c(3c^{2}-1)(a^{2}-a^{2})+\sqrt{2}s(3c^{2}-1)\lambda k_{H}(a-a^{2})]
$$
 (III-6)
\n
$$
e_{3} = -N_{2}\beta H[c(3c^{2}-1)(2N+1-2\lambda^{2}k_{H}^{2})-6s^{2}ca^{2}+3\sqrt{2}s(1+c^{2})\lambda k_{H}a + 3\sqrt{2}s(3c^{2}-1)\lambda k_{H}a^{2}]
$$

and to

$$
f_1 = N_3 \beta Hs(3c^2 - 1)
$$

\n
$$
f_2 = -3\sqrt{3} N_3 \beta Hs^2c
$$
 (III-7)
\n
$$
f_3 = -N_3 \beta Hc(3c^2 - 1)
$$

The portions of the matrix in Table III-1 for couplings within the Γ_8 band proportional to C [Eqs. (III-4)] for these three orientations, and for $k_H = 0$, are the same as those given by Pidgeon and Groves¹² with an overall sign change since they, like Luttinger, 13 consider hole energies. Similarly, their result for q for $\vec{H} \parallel [111]$ is identical to ours [Eqs. (III-3)] with the sign reversed. However, our result for μ [Eqs. (III-2)] for \vec{H} ||[111] is identical to that of Pidgeon and Groves with no sign change, so that their results for the μ matrix differ in sign from that of Luttinger. Our results, as indicated above, agree with that of Luttinger with an overall sign change.

In Tables III-2 through III-4 we list the matrices for G, N_2 , and N_3 , for $k_H=0$ and for the three principal orientations. The matrices proportional to the other parameters have been given elsewhere. $12-14$

B. Selection Rules for Cyclotron-Harmonic Transitions

Bell and Rogers $⁸$ calculated transitions strengths for intraband optical</sup> transitions, for \vec{H} ||[001] only, by diagonalizing the Hamiltonian of Table II-3 in the single group basis set, without the parameter q and the new parameters N_1' , N_2 and N_3 . Because this Hamiltonian couples an infinitely large number of oscillator functions ϕ_n , they obtained numerical solutions by diagonalizing two 120x 120 truncated matrices. In addition to the fundamental cyclotron resonance ω_c for the σ_l polarization and the combined resonance $\omega_c + \omega_s$ for the π polarization, they found that the following intra-conduction-band optical transitions were weakly allowed:

TABLE III-2. Matrices for the inversion asymmetry parameter G.

$$
i\int_{3}^{2} G \rho H \begin{bmatrix} 137 & 167 & 167 \ 0 & 0 & a^{2} + a^{2} & 0 \ 0 & a^{2} + a^{2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} |i\rangle
$$

HILE110]:

$$
\frac{1}{16}6\rho H
$$
\n
$$
-3a^{2}+a^{+2}
$$
\n
$$
-2a^{2}+a^{+3}
$$
\n
$$
a^{2}-3a^{+2}
$$
\n
$$
-2u+1
$$
\n
$$
-2u+1
$$
\n
$$
-3a^{2}+a^{2}
$$
\n
$$
-2u+1
$$
\n
$$
-3a^{2}+a^{2}
$$
\n
$$
-3a^{2}+a^{2}
$$
\n
$$
-3a^{2}+a^{2}
$$
\n
$$
-3a^{2}+a^{2}
$$

ANU11]:

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$$
\frac{i\sqrt{8}}{3}6\rho\beta H
$$
\n0\n
$$
-(2N+1) \sqrt{2}a^{2} -\sqrt{2}a^{2}
$$
\n0\n
$$
-(2N+1) \sqrt{2}a^{2} -\sqrt{6}a^{2}
$$
\n12

TABLE III-3. Matrices for the inversion asymmetry parameter N_2 .

H||[001]:
\n|37 |157 |167 |197
\n0 0
$$
\sqrt{3}(a^2-a^{+2})
$$
 2N+1
\n2N+1 $\sqrt{3}(a^2-a^{+2})$ 0 0 147
\n|10
\n|11

 \vec{H} || [110]:

$$
\frac{i}{2}N_{2}\beta H
$$
\n
$$
+3a^{2}
$$

 $\overrightarrow{H}\parallel [111];$

$$
i\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} N_2 \beta H \qquad -a^2 \qquad -\sqrt{3} a^2 \qquad 0 \qquad -\sqrt{2} a^2 \qquad 11
$$

TABLE III-4. Matrices for the inversion asymmetry parameter N_3 .

$$
\sigma_{\mathbf{L}}: \quad a_{n} \rightarrow b_{n} \quad (\omega_{s})
$$
\n
$$
b_{n} \rightarrow a_{n+2} \quad (2\omega_{c} - \omega_{s})
$$
\n
$$
\sigma_{R}: \quad a_{n} \rightarrow b_{n+2} \quad (2\omega_{c} + \omega_{s})
$$
\n
$$
a_{n} \rightarrow a_{n+3} \quad (3\omega_{c})
$$
\n
$$
\pi: \quad a_{n} \rightarrow a_{n+2} \quad (2\omega_{c})
$$
\n
$$
b_{n} \rightarrow a_{n+3} \quad (3\omega_{c} - \omega_{s})
$$

They showed that these were the result of warping and inversion asymmetry effects. We use a perturbation treatment to find the intraband selection rules for $\vec{H} \parallel [110]$ and [111] and well as [001], as outlined below.

Using the Hamiltonian \mathfrak{X}^* in Table III-1 as a perturbation in the basis states of Eq. (II-11), we find new states

$$
|a'(n)\rangle = |a(n)\rangle + \sum_{n'} \sum_{j=a, b} \frac{\langle j(n')|x'|a(n)\rangle}{E[j(n')] - E[a(n)]} |j(n')\rangle \qquad (III-9)
$$

 $(III-8)$

And similarly for $|b'(n)\rangle$, where we consider only conduction band states $a=a^C$ and b=b^c and coupled states $j=a^c, b^c$. Since the couplings of Eq. (III-9) are all very small compared to the energy differences, it was not necessary to include the energy corrections. The actual expressions for these couplings are very lengthy. As illustration, we given, for \vec{H} ||[001] and $k_H = 0$

$$
\langle j(n')|x^*|a(n)\rangle = 2\sqrt{3}\mu\theta H \{ \sqrt{(n+2)(n+3)} a_3^n (a_5^n - \sqrt{2}a_7^n)\delta_{n',n+4}\n+ \sqrt{(n-1)(n-2)} (a_5^n - \sqrt{2}a_7^n)a_3^n\delta_{n,n-4} \} \delta_{j,a}
$$
\n
$$
+ \frac{iC}{2\lambda} \{ \sqrt{3(n+2)} [b_6^n (\sqrt{2} a_5^n - a_7^n) + b_8^n a_5^n] \delta_{n',n+3}\n+ \left[\sqrt{n-1} (\sqrt{2} b_6^n - b_8^n) a_3^n + \sqrt{6n} b_4^n a_3^n \right.\n+ \sqrt{n+1} b_4^n (\sqrt{2} a_5^n + a_7^n) \delta_{n',n-1} \} \delta_{j,b}
$$
\n
$$
+ \frac{2iG\beta H}{\sqrt{3}} \{ \sqrt{n+2} [\sqrt{n+3} b_2^n' (\sqrt{2} a_5^n + a_7^n) \right.\n- \sqrt{n+1} (\sqrt{2} b_6^n - b_8^n) a_1^n \delta_{n',n+3}\n+ \sqrt{n} [\sqrt{n+1} b_2^n' (\sqrt{2} a_5^n + a_7^n) \right.\n- \sqrt{n-1} (\sqrt{2} b_6^n - b_8^n) a_1^n \delta_{n',n-1} \} \delta_{j,b}
$$
\n
$$
- \sqrt{n-1} (\sqrt{2} b_6^n - b_8^n) a_1^n \delta_{n',n-1} \} \delta_{j,b}
$$
\n
$$
- 2iN_2 \beta H \{ \sqrt{3(n+2)} (\sqrt{n+3} b_2^n a_5^n - \sqrt{n+1} b_6^n a_1^n) \delta_{n',n+3}\n- \left[b_2^n ((2n-1)a_3^n + \sqrt{3n(n+1)} a_5^n) - \left((2n+1) b_4^n + \sqrt{3n(n-1)} b_6^n \right) a_1^n \delta_{n',n-1} \} \delta_{j,b}
$$
\n
$$
- 2iN_3 \beta H \{b_2^n a_3^n + b_4^n a_1^n \} \delta_{n',n-1} \delta_{j,b}
$$

with a similar expression for $\langle j(n')|X_{\omega} | b(n) \rangle$. All such couplings, proportional to the warping and inversion asymmetry parameters, are summarized in Table III-S.

Using these coupled states, the allowed optical transitions originating in the state a(n) are proportional to the square of the matrix element $\langle f'(n')\big| \mathcal{K}_{\omega}^{\bullet} | a'(n) \rangle$ which becomes

$$
\langle f'(n')| \mathfrak{K}_{\omega}^{\prime} | a'(n) \rangle = \langle f(n')| \mathfrak{K}_{\omega}^{\prime} | a(n) \rangle
$$

+
$$
\sum_{n \atop n \text{ odd}} \sum_{j=a, b} \left[\frac{\langle f(n')| \mathfrak{K}_{\omega}^{\prime} | j(n'') \rangle \langle j(n')| \mathfrak{K}^{\prime} | a(n) \rangle}{E[j(n'') - E[a(n)] + \frac{\langle f(n')| \mathfrak{K}^{\prime} | j(n'') \rangle \langle j(n'')| \mathfrak{K}_{\omega}^{\prime} | a(n) \rangle}{E[f(n')] - E[j(n'')] + \frac{\langle f(n')| \mathfrak{K}^{\prime} | j(n'') \rangle}{E[j(n'')]} \right]
$$
(III-11)

with a similar expression for transitions originating in the state b(n). The summation runs over all intermediate states in the conduction band. The first term in Eq. IlI-11 represents an "allowed" transition. The matrix elements of \mathcal{K}_{ω} proportional to P are given in Eqs. (II-18), and all matrix elements are calculated using the approximate numerical solutions Eqs. (II-11) to Eqs. (II-10). $\mathcal{K}_{\omega}^{\prime}$ also includes terms proportional to the warping and inversion asymmetry parameters.

Equations (III-10) and (III-11) illustrate the difference between the intraband transitions considered in detail in the next section, and the interband transitions considered by Pidgeon and Groves. ¹² For conduction band states, the coefficients a_1^n and b_2^n in Eqs. (II-11) are large, and the others small, but TABLE III-5. Couplings among the quasi Ge states, proportional to
the warping and inversion asymmetry parameters, for $k_H = 0$ and extra
couplings for $k_H \neq 0$.

for valence band states a_3^n and a_5^n , or b_4^n and b_6^n , are large, particularly for heavy-hole states, and a_1^n and b_2^n are small. Thus, if a(n) and the coupled state $j(n')$ in Eq. (III-10) are hole states as is the case for the transitions observed by Pidgeon and Groves, then the coefficients of G, N_2 and N_3 in this equation are smaller, roughly by an order of magnitude, than that of C, so that their analysis did not need to include effects of G, N_2 and N_3 . For conduction-band matrix elements, on the other hand, the coefficients of G, N_2 and N_3 become comparable to that of C, so that all four parameters must be considered.

The intra-conduction band transitions allowed in Eq. (III-11) by the couplings in Table III-5 are listed in Table 111-6. We use the notation of Eq. (III-8): a transition from a_n to a_{n+m} is denoted by $m\omega_c$; from a_n to b_{n+m} by $mw_c + w_s$, and from b_n to a_{n+m} by mw_c-w_s . We would like to point out that, in fact, the conduction band Landau levels are not equally spaced, so that the transitions are not precisely harmonic transitions; we use the mw_c notation for convenience. In Table III-6 we have grouped together the transitions induced by warping $(\mu$ and q) and by inversion asymmetry (C, G, N_2, N_3) and have included the allowed transitions as well. For $\vec{H} \parallel [001]$ and $k_H = 0$ our results are consistent with those of Bell and Rogers, 8 summarized in Eq. (III-8).

A calculation of selection rules for the cyclotron harmonic transitions has recently been made for the \vec{H} ||[001] orientation by Zawadzki and Wlasak.¹⁰ Their analysis includes transitions proportional to the parameters μ , C, and G, but not q, N_2 or N_3 . Their perturbation treatment is similar to ours, but includes some additional weaker transitions allowed to second order in the warping, inversion asymmetry and $k_H \neq$ effects. Zawadzki and Wlasak obtain

TABLE III-6. Intra-conduction-band transitions in InSb, for $k_H = 0$
and extra transitions for $k_H \neq 0$, for optical polarizations σ_L , σ_R , and π ,
both allowed (A) and induced by warping (W) and inversion asymmetr

for $\vec{H} \parallel [001]$ the transitions we list in Table III-6, and, in addition, other transitions: $6\omega_c(\pi)$, $4\omega_c \pm \omega_s$ and $8\omega_c \pm \omega_s$ (σ_L and σ_R) allowed by a combination of μ and C effects, and also $4\omega_c$ (π), $2\omega_c \pm \omega_s$ and $6\omega_c \pm \omega_s$ (σ_L and σ_R) allowed by μ and $k_H \neq 0$. We expect these transitions, which arise only in a third-order perturbation treatment, to be considerably weaker than those in Table III-6.

Our quantum-mechanical calculation confirms the results of Zeiger, Lax and Dexter, ¹¹ who obtained the intensities of the harmonics of heavy-hole cyclotron resonance in Ge and Si from a semiclassical Boltzman treatment. They found that the third-harmonic intensity should be zero for \vec{E}_{\perp} \vec{H} || [111] and for $\vec{E} \parallel \vec{H} \parallel$ [001] and [110], and the second-harmonic intensity, allowed for $k_H \neq 0$, should be zero for $\vec{E} \perp \vec{H} || [001]$ and [110] and for $\vec{E} || \vec{H} || [001]$ and [111]; these selection rules are consistent with Table III-6, where \vec{E}_{\perp} \vec{H} induces both σ_L and σ_R transitions.

C_{\bullet} Comparison with Experiments

Experimentally, only the lowest-energy harmonic transitions $2\omega_{\rm c}$, $2\omega_c + \omega_g$ and $3\omega_c$, from the ground state $a^C(0)$, have been identified. $1-6$ The experimental results of Favrot et al.⁶ are compared in Table III-7 with the results in Table III-6 for $k_H = 0$. As can be seen, the predicted selection rules for these transitions are confirmed experimentally, with one important exception. Favrot et al. observed a strong transition at $2\omega_c$ for $\vec{E}_\perp \vec{H} \parallel [001]$ which is not explained by our calculations, even for $k_H \neq 0$. They also found very weak absorptions in the $\vec{E} \parallel \vec{H}$ polarization, for example, $3\omega_c$ for $\vec{H} \parallel [110]$, and somewhat stronger absorptions at $2w_c + w_g$ for $\vec{H} \parallel [001]$ and [111] axes,

TABLE III-7. Comparison of the theoretical selection rules with the experimental results of Favrot, Aggarwal and Lax.⁶

which are not yet understood. It is evident from the spectra of Ref. 6 that population effects ($k_H \neq 0$) are not important, since the strongest $k_H \neq 0$ line predicted in Table III-6, $2\omega_c + \omega_s$ for $\vec{E}_{\perp}\vec{H}$ in all orientations, is not observed for \vec{E}_{\perp} \vec{H} || [110]. The results of Favrot et al.⁶ were recently confirmed over the wavelength region \sim 7.5 to 18 μ m by K. Lee, ¹⁵ for \vec{H} [[110] and [111] axes, except that Lee did not observe the weak $2\omega_c + \omega_s$ line for $\vec{E} \parallel \vec{H} \parallel$ [111].

A recent calculation by Miyake 16 of impurity cyclotron-resonance harmonics suggests a possible explanation for the $2\omega_c$, $\vec{E}_\perp \vec{H} \parallel [001]$ transition observed by Favrot et al.⁶ If the ground state electron occupies an impurity state associated with the $a^C(0)$ Landau level, the impurity potential acts as a perturbation which allows the electron to make transitions to all $a^C(n)$ levels, $n \geq 1$. Miyake's calculations indicate that the strongest harmonic is the second (n=2 or $2\omega_c$), about 10 times stronger than the third harmonic. Thus the impurity potential could have a strong effect on the $2\omega_c$ absorption but have only a small effect on the $3\omega_c$ absorption. It would be useful to repeat the experiments of Ref. 6 at different carrier concentrations, since for the value $n_{\rm g} \simeq 2 \times 10^{16}$ cm⁻³ used by Favrot et al., ⁶ a significant number of carriers should not have frozen¹⁷ into impurity levels at $H \approx 90$ kG where they observed the $2\omega_c$ peak. For higher carrier concentrations the effect of impurity perturbation would be weaker relative to the warping and inversion asymmetry perturbations.

McCombe et al.¹ observed cyclotron resonance absorption at ω_c as well as the harmonics $2\omega_c$ and $3\omega_c$ in n-type InSb for the "inactive" sense of circular polarization σ_R . They interpreted these results in terms of electron-plasmon interaction. This interpretation was disputed by Blinowski and Mycielski 18 and defended by Quinn et al. 19 A more likely interpretation is that these are

warping and inversion-asymmetry induced transitions. McCombe et al. $¹$ do</sup> not specify the sample orientation; if they had \vec{H} ||[110] one would predict from Table III-6 for $k_H = 0$, weak transitions for σ_L at $2\omega_C$, $3\omega_C$, $4\omega_C$ and $5\omega_C$, and for σ_R at ω_c , $2\omega_c$ and $3\omega_c$. The σ_L transitions were evidently obscured by the overabsorbed cyclotron resonance transition, but the σ_R transitions follow these selection rules. Thus one does not necessarily have to invoke the electron-plasmon coupling in order to explain the "inactive-mode" cyclotron resonance.

D. Discussion

To summarize the results of our work on InSb, we have arrived at an understanding of most of the cyclotron harmonic transitions. It should be possible, once the $2\omega_c$, \vec{E}_{\perp} \vec{H} || [001] transition is understood, to use a comparison of the calculated and observed intensities for the predicted transitions to determine the six small parameters μ , q, C, G, N₂, and N₃. Preliminary calculations using the parameter estimates in App. A give roughly the same order of magnitude as the observed intensities. Thus, with the exception of the $2\omega_{\alpha}$, $\vec{E}_{\perp} \vec{H} || [001]$ transition, the cyclotron harmonic transitions in InSb have been shown to be induced by the warping and inversion asymmetry effects,

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IV. MAGNETOREFLECTION EXPERIMENTS ON $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te

Our studies of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te are based on the extensive work of Pidgeon, Groves and their collaborators on InSb, 1,2 $_{\alpha}$ -Sn, 3 HgTe, 4 and Hg_{0.84}Cd_{0.16}Te.⁵ This work was, in turn, based on experimental and theoretical techniques developed for studies of Ge.^{6,7} The large number of interband transitions observed in magnetoabsorption of thin samples, $1, 6, 7$ and magnetoreflection, $2-5$ provided a wealth of information with which to determine the electronic band parameters of these materials.

Magnetoabsorption experiments require extremely thin samples, which are subject to strain, with the rapid increase in the background absorption above the band edge limiting the spectral range which can be studied. Magnetoreflection effects, on the other hand, are much weaker and often difficult to observe. Therefore a number of differential magnetoreflection techniques have been developed, which were reviewed by Aggarwal.⁸ One of these techniques, stress modulation, was used by Reine⁹ in his studies of GaSb and GaAs. Fortunately, we were able to observe extensive magnetoreflection structure for our $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te samples, so that modulation techniques were not necessary.

In this Chapter we describe the details of our experiments on $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$, describing the samples in Sec. A and the optical apparatus in Sec. B. In Sec. C we present some typical magnetoreflection spectra, giving in Sec. D our results for the photon energy and magnetic field positions of the interband transitions observed for each of our samples. These results will be interpreted in Chapter V in terms of the quasi Ge model developed in Chapter II.

A. Samples

The samples of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xT$ e, as received from Cominco, Inc., consisted of single-crystal slices approximately 12 to 15 mm in diameter and 0.5 mm thick. Each slice had been annealed to lower its carrier concentration and to enhance the homogeneity of its alloy composition. Most samples were oriented with reflecting faces normal to [001] or [111] crystal axes. Upon receipt, each slice was photographed using the extended-spot Laue technique to check for grainboundaries, and two slices were found in this way to be polycrystalline. These were returned to Cominco. The orientation of each slice was determined by x-ray diffraction.

The characteristics of each sample are given in Table IV-1. The nominal alloy composition, carrier concentration and Hall mobility were stated by Cominco. The alloy composition x was also determined either by microprobe Examples of the alloy composition x was also determined either by microprob

measurements which were kindly performed on most of our samples by Mary

Finn at Lincoln Laboratory, or, for the other samples, using the roomtemperature transmission observed with an infrared spectrophotometer. The last three columns of Table IV-1 give the orientation and/or the angles θ and ϕ (corresponding to Fig. II-2) of the reflecting face normal.

The spectrophotometer determination of the alloy composition made use of the curve shown in Fig. IV-1, which was supplied to us by Cominco, giving the alloy composition x as a function of the "cut-on" wavelength, The determination of this wavelength from a spectrophotometer curve is illustrated in Fig. IV-2, which shows spectra for samples 804 and 805 which had been cut from nearby positions on the same ingot. The microprobe result $x = 0.269$ for sample 804 corresponds in Fig. IV-1 to a "cut-on" wavelength of $5.4 \mu m$,

TABLE IV-1. Physical and electrical characteristics of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ samples.

NML ALLOY COMPOSITION X

 $77K$:

Fig. IV-1. $Hg_1 - _XCd_XTe$ cuton wavelength vs. alloy composition, at temperatures $T = 77K$ and 300K.

Fig. IV-2. Spectrophotometer curves for samples 804 and 805 illustrating the determination of alloy composition of sample 805.

which is indicated by the arrow in the upper curve in Fig. IV-2. The arrow marking a similar point on the lower curve indicates a cut-on wavelength of 5.6 ± 0.3 µm for sample 805, hence from Fig. IV-1 an alloy composition of 0.265 ± 0.005 . These results differ considerably from the nominal composition 0.30 ± 0.01 . The uncertainty values in the microprobe values for x are the probable errors resulting from point-to-point variations over the sample surface; the stated uncertainty in the spectrophotometer results are due only to uncertainty in determining the cut-on wavelength, since we could not measure such variations.

One face of each slice was chemically polished and etched, and a sample approximately 6 mm wide was cut from the center portion. The sample was mounted in a sample holder using Be-Cu spring clips at each end, with a small piece of lens tissue under each clip to protect the fragile sample surface. The sample holder was attached to the cold finger of a liquid helium Dewar using two screws and also vacuum grease to improve the thermal contact. Based on measurements of the temperature of a piece of InSb held in the same arrangement in a similar Dewar provided with feed- through connections for thermocouple leads, we estimate the sample temperature to have been 24 K when the Dewar was filled with liquid helium, and 91 K using liquid nitrogen. Some early magnetoreflectivity spectra were taken with the samples mounted with vacuum grease on thin sapphire plates, with the plates held in the sample holder using grease. The spectra indicated little, if any, difference in temperature between these two arrangements, but some samples cracked indicating that the grease mounting introduced strains.

Magnetoreflection spectra were also taken for two samples of InSb, purchased from Cominco, with reflecting faces normal to [001] and [111] crystal

axes. The electronic specifications were Cominco grade 67S, with 77 K carrier concentration of 0.7 to 1.1×10^{14} cm⁻³ and Hall mobility of from 6.0 to 7.2×10^5 cm²/V-sec.

B. Optical Apparatus

The experimental apparatus for magnetoreflection measurements is depicted schematically in Fig. IV-3. This apparatus has been used in a number of previous investigations. ? It consists of an enclosed box, flushed with dry air, containing a Perkin-Elmer Model 99 double-pass grating monochromator with a globar source, a 500 Hz chopper, and mirrors to reflect and focus the light onto the sample at near normal incidence, and to collect and focus the reflected light onto the detector. Our experiments used gratings blazed at 1.5, 3, 6, 12 and 22.5 μ m, with long wave pass interference filters appropriate to the wavelength range being used, and the light was circularly polarized using a wire-grid linear polarizer followed by a Csl Fresnel rhomb. The detector was either Ge:Cu(4K), Ge:Au(77K) or PbS(300K), depending on the wavelength range.

The sample, on the cold finger of the Dewar, was held in the center of the 2 in. diameter bore of a Bitter manget, with the magnetic field applied normal to the reflecting surface. The optical window was either $BaF₂$ for wavelengths less than $10 \mu m$, or Irtran 4 for longer wavelengths. The magnetic field could be swept up to approximately 150 kG. The sense of circular polarization of the light, with respect to the magnetic field direction, was varied by sweeping the field either "positive" (towards the ceiling) or "negative".

As the magnetic field was swept, the detector signal was amplified by

Fig. IV-3. Optical apparatus for magnetoreflection.

a lockin amplifier (most recently a PAR Model 5101), using a reference signal from the chopper. The amplifier output was fed into a "bucking box" which expanded the signal by a variable factor and subtracted a fixed amount from this, so that signal changes of only a few percent became large changes with respect to this "bucked" signal. This signal was recorded on a two-pen chart recorder; the other pen recorded a signal proportional to the magnet current as a measure of the applied magnetic field.

The signal reflected from the sample was directly proportional to the reflectivity R given by 8^8

$$
R = \frac{(n-1)^2 + k^2}{(n+1)^2 + k^2}
$$
 (IV-1)

where n and k are the index of refraction and extinction coefficient, respectively, determined from the equation

$$
(n + i k)^2 = \varepsilon_1 + i\varepsilon_2 \qquad (IV-2)
$$

where ϵ_1 and ϵ_2 are, respectively, the real and imaginary components of the dielectric constant. R is approximately proportional to ε_1 ; it was shown in the review article by Aggarwal⁸ that the peaks in ϵ_1 coincide (within the linewidth) of the absorption peaks in ε_2 . Some typical curves for $\Delta R/R$, the fractional change in reflectivity observed in the vicinity of an interband magnetooptical transition, are shown in Fig. IV-4, which was calculated using the expressions for $\varepsilon_1(\omega)$ and $\varepsilon_2(\omega)$ given in Ref. 8. The asymmetric line shape is the broadened form of the density of states of Landau levels in a magnetic field: $\rho(E) \approx \sum_{n} (E - \hbar \omega_{n})^{-1/2}$ In the next Section we will compare some of our reflection spectra with these

Fig. IV-4. Calculated magnetoreflection spectra.

curves in order to estimate the scattering time T.

C_{\bullet} Magnetoreflection Spectra

Some representative experimental results are given in Figs. IV-S through [V-11. In each case we plot a portion of the detector signal, proportional to the reflectivity R, as ^a function of the applied magnetic field, for both left and right circularly polarized radiation.

Figure IV-5 gives, as a reference, a spectrum for our [001] InSb sample, at a photon energy well above the band gap. A ser ies of peaks is evident, which have been identified as some of the transitions illustrated in Fig. 11-4, from the valence to the conduction band Landau levels, as calculated using the quasi Ge model outlined in Chapter II. The numbers above each peak correspond to the identification scheme given in Chapter V, where we describe the details of the identification process.

The peaks in Fig. IV-5 have the shape and approximate width of curve a in Fig. IV-4, corresponding to $\omega \tau \approx 1000$ or a relaxation time $\tau \approx 2 \times 10^{-12}$ sec. We expect these peaks to correspond closely to the peaks observed in magnetoabsorption. In fact, there is a systematic shift to higher magnetic fields from the absorption peaks observed for \vec{E}_1 \vec{H} by Pidgeon and Brown, \vec{I} corresponding to a shift of about 3 or 4 meV in energy. This is probably due to strain energy shifts in their 4 to $10 \mu m$ thick samples.

Figures IV-6 gives a similar spectrum for a sample of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$, again taken with a photon energy well above the gap and at liquid He temperature $(\approx 24 \text{ K})$. The lines are much broader than in Fig. IV-5 for InSb, corresponding in Fig. IV-4 approximately to curve d for $\omega \tau \le 100$ or less, so that the

Fig. $IV-5$. Magnetoreflection spectra for filst for F_{1} is F_{2} and F_{3} for F_{4} is F_{5} $\sigma_{\rm R}$ and $\sigma_{\rm L}$, compared to the results of Pidgeon and Brown" for ELH.

Fig. IV-7. Magnetoreflection spectra for Hg_{. 787}Cd_{. 213}Te, T = 91K.

Fig. IV-8. Magnetoreflection spectra for InSb, $\vec{H} \parallel [001]$.

Fig. IV-9. Magnetoreflection spectra for InSb, \vec{H} ||[111].

Fig. IV-10. Magnetoreflection spectra for Hg_{. 78}Cd_{. 22}Te, \vec{H} ||[001].

Fig. IV-11. Magnetoreflection spectra for Hg_{.789}Cd_{.211}Te, \vec{H} ||[111].

equivalent relaxation time $\tau \le 2 \times 10^{-13}$, a factor of at least 10 shorter than tor InSb.

Figure IV-7 gives a spectrum for the same $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ sample as in Fig. IV-6, but at liquid nitrogen temperature $(\approx 91 \text{ K})$. The lines are only slightly broader and weaker. We attribute the temperature independent broadening to the inhomogeneity of the alloy composition, such as has been demonstrated graphically by Vanier et al., 10 and was indicated in the pointto-point scatter of the microprobe results for our samples. This scatter is primarily responsible for the uncertainty of these measurements of x as given in Table IV-1. Comparing Fig. IV-5 for InSb to Figs. IV-6 and IV-7, it is clear that the large linewidths limit the accuracy of our results for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ and also limit the number of interband transitions we can resolve.

Figures IV-8 through IV-11 give some typical spectra for photon energies just above the band gap. Figure IV-8, for InSb with $\vec{H} \parallel [001]$, illustrates a typical lineshape for the low-energy transitions. We attribute the dips to the left of the peaks to competition between discrete exciton transitions and the continuum interband transitions. 11 Figure IV-9 gives the same spectrum for \vec{H} ||[111]. The lines are broader, possibly because of improper sample preparation, but they do exhibit the kind of extra structure observed by Pidgeon and Groves, 2 which they attributed to warping and inversion asymmetry effects which are most important for the [111] orientation and for these lowenergy transitions.

In Figs. IV-10 and IV-11 we present spectra for two $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te samples of nearly the same alloy composition, with \vec{H} || [001] in Fig. IV-10 and \vec{H} || [111] in Fig. IV-11. We see the same exciton lineshape as in Fig. IV-8 and IV-9, but cannot resolve any structure attributable to warping and

inversion asymmetry effects. These effects may be weaker than in InSb, or the lines are too broad for such structure to be observed.

D. Fan Charts

The results of our magnetoreflection experiments for the $Hg_{1-x}Cd_{x}Te$ samples are given in the fan charts in Figs. IV-12a through 12t. We plot, for each sample studied and at each temperature, the magnetic field and photon energy positions for each reflectivity peak, for both senses of circular polarization. The solid and dashed curves are those calculated, as described in Chapter V, from the best fit to the data, except for two cases, samples 798 and 804 at liquid nitrogen temperature, where the data were not sufficient to make such a fit. For these two, the curves were calculated using parameters expected to give an approximate fit to the data.

In Figs. IV-13a and 13b we given fan charts for the InSb samples studied. In Fig. IV-13a we also plot the magnetoabsorption results of Pidgeon and Brown¹ for $\vec{E}_\perp \vec{H}$; as we remarked in the preceding Section, there is a slight shift to lower energies for our data. The solid and dashed lines in these Figs. were calculated using the parameters deduced by Pidgeon and Brown from their data, which were limited to magnetic fields below 100 kG. Clearly the fit could be improved, especially at higher fields and photon energies. Such a fit would require that account be taken of inversion asymmetry and warping effects, as well as cyclotron resonance results for InSb. 12, 13

In the next Chapter we describe the fitting procedures used to deduce the band parameters for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te from the data presented in Figs. IV-12a through 12t.

Figs. IV-12a - 12t. Fan charts for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te samples. The photon energy and magnetic field positions of the magnetoreflectivity peaks are given for σ_L (diamonds) and σ_R (triangles). The theoretical curves for σ_L (solid lines) and σ_R (dashed lines) are labeled with the transition numbers given in Table V-1, except that most light-hole transitions are not numbered since they cross the heavy-hole lines.

Fig. IV-12a. Fan chart for $Hg_{.825}Cd_{.175}Te$ at 24K.

Fig. IV-12b. Fan chart for $Hg_{.825}Cd_{.175}Te$ at 91K.

Fig. IV-12c. Fan chart for $Hg_{.818}$ Cd_{. 182}Te at 24K.

Fig. IV-12d. Fan chart for $Hg_{.818}Cd_{.182}Te$ at 91K.

Fig. IV-12e. Fan chart for $Hg_{.804}Cd_{.196}Te$ at 24K.

Fig. IV-12f. Fan chart for $Hg_{.804}$ Cd_{.196}Te at 91K.

Fig. IV-12g. Fan chart for $Hg_{.789}Cd_{.211}Te$ at 24K.

Fig. IV-12h. Fan chart for Hg_{.789}Cd.211^{Te at 91K.}

Fig. IV-12i. Fan chart for Hg_{.787}Cd_{.213}Te at 24K.

Fig. IV-12j. Fan chart for $Hg_{.787}$ Cd_{.213}Te at 91K.

Fig. IV-12k. Fan chart for $Hg_{.78}Cd_{.22}Te$ at 24K.

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Fig. IV-12m. Fan chart for $Hg_{.753}$ Cd_{.247}Te at 24K.

Fig. IV-12n. Fan chart for Hg_{. 753}Cd_{. 247}Te at 91K.

Fig. IV-12o. Fan chart for $Hg_{.752}Cd_{.248}Te$ at 24K.

Fig. IV-12p. Fan chart for $Hg_{.752}Cd_{.248}Te$ at 91K.

Fig. IV-12q. Fan chart for Hg_{. 735}Cd_{. 265}Te at 24K.

Fig. IV-12r. Fan chart for $Hg_{.735}Cd_{.265}Te$ at 91K.

Fig. IV-12s. Fan chart for $Hg_{.731}Cd_{.269}Te$ at 24K.

Fig. IV-12t. Fan chart for Hg_{. 731}Cd. 269^{Te at 91K.}

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V. BAND PARAMETERS OF $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te

In this Chapter we describe the determination, from the interband magnetoreflection results in Chapter IV, of the $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$ band parameters of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te in the small-gap semiconductor region. The parameters are those of the quasi Ge model developed in Chapter II: the energy gap E_{σ} , which is expected to vary roughly linearly with the alloy composition $x;$ ¹ the spinorbit splitting Δ of the valence bands, which is expected to be about 1 ev;² the interband coupling energy E_p ; and the small higher-band parameters F, Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 , K, q and N₁, which are estimated in Appendix A. We neglect the effects of warping and inversion asymmetry considered in Chapter III for the case of intraband transitions in InSb, and by Pidgeon and Groves 3 for interband transitions in InSb, since 1) these effects are expected to be even smaller for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xT$ e (see App. A); 2) most of our samples were oriented with $\vec{H} \parallel [001]$ where such effects should be negligible; and 3) even for our \vec{H} ||[111] samples where these effects are maximum, we observed no structure attributable to them. Our calculations in the quasi Ge model are made using $k_H = 0$, since this corresponds to the peak intensity for interband transitions. For intra-valence-band transitions, especially for the heavy holes, $k_H \neq 0$ effects can be important.

In Sec. A below we describe the computer techniques developed to calculate and plot the theoretical transitions, identify the experimental peaks with particular transitions, and perform a least-squares fit for the parameters. In Sec. B we use the energy differences between a pair of transitions involving the same conduction band Landau level, to determineapproximate values for the higher-band parameters Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 , and K .

Estimating $q \approx N_1 \approx 0$, and $\Delta \approx 1$ eV, in Sec. C we carry out a twoparameter fit to each set of data in order to determine a best value for F and then to obtain E_g and E_p as a function of temperature and of alloy composition. In Sec. D we discuss our results and compare them with yrevious results.

A. Parameter Fitting Techniques

The process of identifying each transition plotted in the fan charts in Figs. IV-12a through 12t, and finding the band parameters for abest fit between theory and experiment, involved several steps making use of the M.I.T. time-sharing computer system (TSO). First, approximate parameters were chosen for each set of data. Second, these were used to calculate the expected interband transition energies as a function of magnetic field, by diagonalizing the Hamiltonians in Table II-5, and these energies were plotted on-line on photocopies of the data. The transition intensities calculated from Eqs. (II-18) were used to estimate which transitions were most likely to be observed. The plots which gave a reasonable fit to the data were used to identify most data points with one or, at most, two particular interband transitions. These were stored in an on-line disc dataset and used as input to the least-squares fitting routines described below. 'These routines provided new parameter sets with which to make new plots and complete the line identifications. The computer programs used are listed in Appendix C.

The data points were fit to the transitions listed in Table V-1, which were calculated to be significantly stronger than the other transitions allowed by the selection rules in Eqs. (II-19), using the matrix elements in Eqs. (II-18) TABLE V-1. Interband transitions identified for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$.

 $\sigma_{\mathbf{R}}$

involving the solutions in Eqs. (II-11) to the Schr8edinger equations, Egs. (11-10). The calculated curves in Figs. IV-12a through 12t, and the reflectivity peaks in Figs. IV-5 through 11 are labeled with the transition numbers listed in Table V-1.

The least-squares fit calculation was based on a method described by Reine.⁵ Given a set of N energy and magnetic field pairs (E_i, H_i) corresponding to each observed reflectivity peak, and a function $E(H_i)$ for calculating a theoretical transition energy for a given magnetic field H_i , we wish to minimize the root mean square deviation

$$
\delta = \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[E(H_i) - E_i \right]^2 \right\}^{1/2}
$$
 (V-1)

where the function E(H) depends on a set of parameters a_j , j=1, ..., M. Reine showed that to minimize δ to first order in the corrections δa_i to the parameters

$$
a_j \rightarrow a_j + \delta a_j \tag{V-2}
$$

one must solve the MxM system of equations

$$
\sum_{k=1}^{M} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\partial E(H_i)}{\partial a_j} \xrightarrow{\partial E(H_i)} \delta a_k = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\partial E(H_i)}{\partial a_j} [E_i - E(H_i)] \quad (V-3)
$$

Successive corrections are made to the parameters a_i until satisfactory convergence to a minimum is obtained.

Reine⁵ calculated the derivatives $\partial E(H_i)/\partial a_i$ in Eq. (V-3) using approximate expressions for the transition energies to first order in H. This

was sufficiently accurate for large gap materials such as GaAs and GaSb. Since the transition energies in small gap materials are strongly nonparabolic, i.e. depend on higher-order terms in H, we used exact expressions for these derivatives, obtained by differentiating the fourth-order determinantal equation for the energy eigenvalues with respect to the parameters a_i . The details of this calculation are given in Appendix B.

The parameters of the quasi Ge model Hamiltonian in Table II-5, including the diagonal parts of the terms proportional to q in Table III-1, are the energy gap E_g , the spin-orbit splitting Δ , the interband coupling energy E_g , the higher-band effective mass parameters F, Y_1 , Y_2 , and Y_3 , and the g-factor contributions N_1 , K , and q. In the absence of a direct experimental determination of the spin-orbit splitting, we use the estimated value $\Delta \approx 1 \text{ eV}$.² In Appendix A we show that q and N₁ are expected to be small for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$, so we set these to zero.

Thus we have a possibility of determining seven parameters: E_g , E_p , F, Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 , and K . However we found that the data were not sensitive enough to fit all these parameters simultaneously. It is shown in Appendix A that the Luttinger parameters Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 and K depend primarily on two Kane parameters B_K and C_K . Therefore we attempted to fit the five parameters E_g , E_p , F, B_K and C_K ; however this still was not possible. In the next Section we show that we can determine approximate average values for the parameters B_K and C_K , hence the Luttinger parameters, by examining the energy difference between transitions from two different heavy-hole levels to the same conductionband level, for several sets of data. With these parameters fixed for all sets of data, we have been able to make an approximate determination of the best value for F. We were then able to make two-parameter fits for each set of data,

for the energy gap E_g and the interband coupling energy E_p .

B. Determination of
$$
Y_1
$$
, Y_2 , Y_3 and κ

The transitions listed in Table V-1 include two, $\sigma_L(3)$ and $\sigma_R(6)$, from the heavy-hole levels a (1) and a (3), to the conduction-band level $a^{c}(2)$. We use the energy difference between these two to determine the Luttinger parameters Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 , and K .

The expressions in Eqs. (II-14) give

$$
E[\sigma_R(6)] - E[\sigma_L(3)] = 4\beta H\gamma_H
$$
 (V-4)

where, to lowest order in H

$$
Y_{\text{H}} \approx \frac{1}{65} \left[71 \gamma_1 - 34 (Y' + 3 \gamma'') - 6K - \frac{3}{2} (9 - 2f)q \right] \tag{V-5}
$$

which is of the same order of magnitude as the high-quantum-number inverse heavy-hole effective mass m/m_ in Eq. (II-16):

$$
\frac{m}{m_-} \simeq \gamma_1 - \frac{1}{2} (\gamma' + 3\gamma'')
$$
 (V-6)

where both results are valid only if $E_p/E_g \gg \gamma_1$, γ' , γ'' and κ . The above result for Y_H is much less sensitive to the small parameter q than a similar energy difference

$$
E[\sigma_L(2)] - E[\sigma_R(2)] \approx \frac{4}{7} \beta H[-\gamma_1 + 2(\gamma' + 3\gamma'') - 6\kappa - \frac{3}{2}(9-2f)q] \qquad (V-7)
$$

For $q \approx 0$ Eq. (V-5) can be rewritten

$$
\gamma_{\mathrm{H}}(\theta,\phi) = \gamma_{\mathrm{H}}([100]) - \frac{81}{65}(\gamma_3 - \gamma_2)f(\theta,\phi) \tag{V-8}
$$

We could only measure the energy differences in Eq. (V-4) for those samples for which we could resolve the $[\sigma_L(3), \sigma_L(4)]$ and $[\sigma_R(6), \sigma_R(7)]$ doublets. Representative spectra for these transitions are shown in Fig. [V-6. The doublets are clearly resolved, but for other samples the $[\sigma_R(6), \sigma_R(7)]$ doublet was only barely resolved. For each sample where the doublets were resolved, we plotted the magnetic field and photon energy positions of the $q_1(3)$ and $\sigma_R(6)$ peaks as shown in Fig. V-1 for the same sample whose spectrum is given in Fig. IV-6. From this plot the energy differences, and hence γ_H , were determined; the average Y_H found for each sample are given in Table V-2. The first part of the Table gives Y_H for just the [001] oriented samples, giving an average over all these samples of

$$
Y_{\rm H}([001]) \approx 2.9 \pm 0.2 \tag{V-9}
$$

where 0.2 is the probable error. Then the second part of Table V-2 give $Y_H(\theta, \phi)$ for the other samples. Equations (V-8) and (V-9) were used to give the value for $(Y_3 - Y_2)$ to yield an average value

$$
(\gamma_3 - \gamma_2) \approx 0.8 \pm 0.3 \tag{V-10}
$$

These results, along with Eq. (V-5) and the expressions in Appendix A for Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 and K in terms of the two Kane parameters B_K and C_K (with $A_K - B_K - 0$) give

$$
B_K \simeq -1.2 \pm 0.5
$$

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$$
C_K \simeq -2.1 \pm 0.2
$$
 (V-11)

which then give

Fig. V-1. Determination of E[a⁻(1)] - E[a⁻(3)] from the transitions $\sigma_R(6)$ and $\sigma_L(3)$ for sample 796.

TABLE V-2. Results for the heavy-hole mass parameter γ_H for samples with $\vec{H} \parallel [001]$, and for other orientations θ , ϕ .

 $Y_1 \approx 2.5 \pm 0.4$ $Y_2 \approx -0.3 \pm 0.2$ $Y_3 \approx 0.5 \pm 0.1$ $\kappa \approx -1.2 \pm 0.1$

C. Determination of E_g , E_p and F

Using the valence band parameters from the previous Section for all our sets of data, we next attempted to fit the three parameters remaining, F, E_g and E_p , simultaneously for each. Again the fits were not successful: the deviation δ was insensitive to small variations in F, so that convergence was slow and a minimum was found in only a few cases. In these cases the value of F for the minimum ranged from about -0.4 to -1.0, so we next made twoparameter fits for just E_g and E_p for all sets of data, using fixed values $F = -0.1$, -0.4 , -0.7 , -1.0 , and -1.3 to span this region of F. For each value of F we plot in Fig. V-2 the average $\overline{\delta}$, over all sets of data, of the r.m.s. deviation δ [Eq. (V-1)] and also the average of the absolute energy differences $|\Delta E_p|$ between the 24 K and 91 K results for E_p . Using the minimum of both of these as criteria for a best fit, we find from Fig. V-2 the best choice of F is

$$
F \approx -0.7 \pm 0.3 \tag{V-13}
$$

The results for E_p and E_g , using the value $F = -0.7$, are given in TableV-3 for the samples at liquid He temperature, and in Table V-4 for

 $(V-12)$

Fig. V-2. Determination of $F = -0.7 \pm 0.3$ from the lowest average r.m.s. deviation of the two-parameter fits for E_g and E_p , and the lowest average difference $|E_{\text{p}}(91\text{K}) - E_{\text{p}}(24\text{K})| = \Delta E_{\text{p}}$.

SAMPLE	$\pmb{\times}$	$E_{\rm g}$ (mev)	E_{ρ} (eV)	m_c $(x_{10}-2)x$)	$-9c$	m_{+} (Looi]) $(x_{10}-2m)$
802	.1751.013	$22.2 \pm .4$	$18.6 \pm .2$.1772.005	$547 + 16$	$.177 \pm .005$
798	.1821.015	$35.8 + .2$	$17.9 + .1$	$.295 \pm .001$	320 ± 2	.2971.001
801	$.196 \pm .013$	80.6:3	$18.0 \pm .2$	$-65 \pm .01$	$136 + 2$	$.66 \pm .01$
810	$.211 \pm .005$	$123.9 \pm .4$	$17.8 \pm .3$	$.99 \pm .01$	83 ± 1	$1.02 \pm .01$
796	-2137.004	114.9 ± 6	$17.4 \pm .3$	$.95 \pm .02$	$88 - 2$	$.97 \pm .02$
809	$.220 \pm .005$	$119.8 \pm .2$	$17.9 \pm .2$	$.96 \pm .01$	$87+1$.981.01
806	$247 + 005$	$172.9 \pm .3$	17.87.2	1.3691.02	$56 + 1$	$1.41 \pm .01$
800	$.248 \pm .014$	166.01.3	17.71.3	1.321.01	$59\pm$	1.361.02
805	$-265 + 005$	$183.2 + 4$	$18.1 \pm .3$	$1.42 \pm .02$	$54+1$	$1.46 + 0.3$
804	2691.017	186.21.1	$18.0 \pm .2$	1.451.01	52 ± 1	1.49 ± 02

TABLE V-3. Results for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ samples at T = 24K.

SAMPLE	X.	ϵ (mev)	E_{ρ} $\left(\mathsf{e}\mathsf{v}\right)$	m_c $(x_{10}-1)m)$	$-9c$	m_{+} (1001]) $(x_{10}-2m)$
802.	.175f.013	49.5:5.5	17.8:12	.4081.008	22715	.4137.009
801	$.196 \pm .013$	100.8 ± 6	$17.8 + .1$.8171.003	104.71.1	.8341.001
810	$.211 \pm .005$	137.27.3	18.31.2	1.064 ± 001	76.31.4	1.092 ± 006
796	.2131.064	139.25.5	16.9:3	$1.17 \pm .02$	69.2 ± 1.5	1.201.02
809	$220 + 005$	140.0 \pm . 3	$18.0 + 2$	$1.10 \pm .01$	73.11/2	1.13 ± 02
806	$-247 + 005$	$190.6 \pm .2$	17.81.3	1.50I.01	56.3:6	1.551.02
800	2481,014	185.51.1	$17.8 + .2$	1.461.01	51.9768	1,511.02
805	-265 ± 005	$205.6 \pm .2$	$17.7 \pm .3$	$1.62 \pm .01$	45.511.2	$1.67 \pm .03$

TABLE V-4. Results for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xT$ e samples at T = 91K.

the samples at liquid N_2 temperature. The stated error limits are the variations due to the limits in Eq. (V-13) on F. The results for E_p give an average value

$$
E_p = 17.9 \pm 0.2 \text{ eV} \tag{V-14}
$$

7), Discussion

Using the results in Sec. B for Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 and K and Eq. (V-6), we find the heavy-hole effective mass

$$
m_{-}([001])/m \approx 0.40 +0.08
$$

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$$
m_{-}([110])/m \approx 0.45 +0.10
$$

\n
$$
m_{-}([111])/m \approx 0.53 +0.13
$$

\n
$$
-0.09
$$

\n
$$
(V-15)
$$

These results are in excellent agreement with the recent results of Uchida and Tanaka⁶ m_{_}([001])/m \approx 0.38, m_([110])/m \approx 0.47 and m_([111])/m \approx 0.50 from their far-infrared magnetooptical studies of HgTe, with their precision similar to ours. Guldner and his co-workers have used values for m_/m ranging from 0.4 ± 0.1 , $7 \text{ in rough agreement with ours, to a value } 0.25$, 8.9 m to fit magnetoabsorption results for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xT$ e and HgTe. Groves et al.¹⁰ estimated m₋([001])/m = 0.28 ± 0.1 , for $Hg_{0.84}Cd_{0.16}Te$. Earlier results and estimates have ranged from 0.3 to 0.71.¹¹ The estimate of Lawaetz¹² of $m_{1}/m \geq 1.0$ does not seem to be realistic.

Our result $(Y_3 - Y_2) = 0.8 \pm 0.3$ is identical to that of Uchida and Tanaka, ⁶ and is not inconsistent with that of Suzuki et al., 13 0.5 \pm 0.4. Lawaetz estimated 0.6 for both HgTe and CdTe. 12 This result, and those for m₋/m,

emphasize the importance of anisotropy: the use of an "average" value \bar{y} = $Y_2 \approx Y_3^{7-9}$ cannot be justified.

Our result $F = -0.7 \pm 0.3$ is consistent with the estimate of -1.2 in Appendix A. This parameter has not been used in any previous studies of HgTe, CdTe or $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te. Our values for B_K and C_K [Eqs. (V-11)] are about the same as one set of parameters used by Groves et al.¹⁴ for HgTe, based on earlier results for InSb (see Appendix A) and Ge. Lawaetz¹² estimated values about half of ours. The parameters chosen by Guldner et al.⁷⁻⁹ result in values of C_K comparable to ours (-2.1 and -2.4) but much larger values of B_K (-2.8, -3.2, and -3.4) and non-zero values for D_K (0.4 and \pm 0.1). Again, we do not regard these parameter choices as realistic.

Our results for E_n are plotted in Fig. V-3. The average value E_n = 17.9 ± 0.2 eV is comparable to a number of previous results for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe^{10}$, 15 and HgTe¹⁴ and to the results of band calculations (17.2 and 18.0 eV) for the wave functions in $Hg_{0.854}Cd_{0.146}Te$, 16 as well as the estimate of Lawaetz¹² for HgTe. However, other results have ranged from 16 eV for HgTe^{9, 10, 13} to about 27 eV for $Hg_{0.788}Cd_{0.212}Te^{17}$ Guldner et al.⁷ used $E_p = 19.0 \pm 0.1$ eV to fit their magnetoabsorption results for semiconducting $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te alloys (E_g > 0), with a systematic shift, for E_g < 0, towards 18.0 eV at $x=0$. We find no evidence for such a systematic shift away from 18 eV. The different results for E_n may be partially a result of different choices for the valence band parameters, but more likely a result of differences in the interpretation of the experiments: Uchida and Tanaka 6 found such a difference between their results and those of Tuchendler et al.⁹ from farinfrared magnetoabsorption in HgTe.

Fig. V-3. E_p vs. alloy composition x for the $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ samples.

In Fig. V-4 we plot our results for E_{σ} as a function of x. The filled circles are for $T = 24$ K and the open circles for $T = 91$ K. Figure V-4 also gives previous results, from the interband magnetoreflection experiments of Groves et al. 10 at 25K and 90K for $x = 0.161 \pm 0.003$, and of Strauss et al. 18 for $x = 0.17$ at liquid helium temperature, and from fits to the intra-conductionband experiments of McCombe et al. $^{15, 19}$ for x = 0.193 and 0.203, of Kinch and Buss²⁰ and Antcliffe²¹ for $x = 0.204$, and of Kahlert and Bauer¹⁷ for $x = 0.212$, all at liquid helium temperatures. We also include curves which fit the results of a recent calculation by Chadi and Cohen² for the $Hg_{1-x}Cd_{x}Te$ band structure at $T=0$, including approximately the temperature dependence of Schmit and Stelzer¹:

$$
E_{g}(meV) = -310 + 1880x + (1-2x) 0.5 T(K)
$$
 (V-16)

Guldner et al.⁷ did not give their results for E_g as a function of x.

In Fig. V-4 our results, and those of the interband measurements at $x = 0$. 16 and 0.17, form a continuous curve which agrees fairly well with Eq. (V-16). There is considerable deviation from the equation of Schmit and Stelzer¹ which was developed for temperatures above 77K.

In Figs. V-5 and V-6 we present our results for the conduction band band-edge effective mass m_c and g-factor g_c as a function of x, for the samples at liquid He temperature. As in Fig. V-4, there is considerable deviation from our results by those of the intra-conduction-band experiments $15, 19-21$ which were obtained by fitting their results to the model of Bowers and Yafet, 22 which omits all the higher-band parameters. Using our parameters, and values of E_{α} consistent with our results in Fig. V-4, gives calculated curves which deviate significantly, by as much as $4 \text{ meV or } 30 \text{ cm}^{-1}$,

Fig. V-5. Conduction band-edge effective mass for the $Hg_{1-x}Cd_{x}Te$ samples at T = 24K. The previous results are labeled as in Fig. V-4.

Fig. V-6. Conduction band-edge g-factor for the $Hg_{1-x}Cd_{x}Te$ samples at T = 24K. The previous results are labeled as in Fig. V-4.

from the experimental results of McCombe et al. ^{15, 19} Again, as for InSb, 23 , 24 there is a discrepancy between the parameters derived from interband and intraband experiments; and as for InSb the intraband effective masses are smaller and the g-factors larger. This is a general problem which needs further study beyond the scope of this investigation. For example, the effects of population $(k_H = 0)$ on both interband and intraband lineshapes must be carefully evaluated, since they can produce shifts in absorption peaks and canintroduce extra transitions, especially for intra-valence-band experiments.

The agreement between our results in Eqs. (V-14) and those of Uchida and Tanaka⁶ gives confidence in these values for the heavy-hole effective masses and, more generally, in the valence band parameters in Eqs. (V-12). Similarly our results for $E_{\alpha}(x)$ in Fig. V-4 establish Eq. (V-16) as a good approximation for the energy gap of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ as a function of x and temperature. Thus, apart from the discrepancy between interband and intraband results, we have presented a comprehensive and systematic model for the electronics structure of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xT$ e alloys in the small-gap semiconductor region.

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VI. CONCLUSION

In the first part of this investigation we have shown that, with one exception, the cyclotron harmonic transitions observed in the small-gap semiconductor InSb are induced by the warping and inversion asymmetry effects which are neglected in the quasi Ge model for this material. We suggest that careful measurements be made of the intensity of these transitions, including the 2 ω_{c} , \vec{E}_{\perp} \vec{H} ||[001] transition which may be due to impurity effects, as a function of carrier concentration, crystal orientation and optical polarization. Such measurements, when compared to calculated intensities using the model we have presented, could allow a determination of the six warping and inversion asymmetry parameters including the two new parameters we have defined.

In the latter part of this investigation we have analyzed our magnetoreflection results for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te using the quasi Ge model which neglects such warping and inversion asymmetry effects, and have determined the parameters of this model for alloy compositions x in the small-gap semiconductor region. Within the accuracy of our results, which is limited primarily by the sample inhomogeneity, we find that all the parameters except the energy gap are independent of x and of the sample temperature. Since the higher-band energies are approximately the same in HgTe and CdTe (see App. A), it is not surprising that the higher-band parameters are insensitive to x . It would be useful to extend our experiments to a larger range of x in order to check these conclusions.

Another useful extension of our studies of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ would be intrapand experiments on the same (n-type) samples. Our calculations indicate

that cyclotron and combined resonance, and perhaps harmonics and phononassisted transitions, could be observed using the same optical apparatus with, in some cases, the use of higher magnetic fields or detectors operating at longer wavelengths. In view of the general discrepancy between parameters deduced from inter- and intra-band measurements in the zincblende semiconductors, such experiments might provide a crucial test of the validity of the quasi Ge model for these materials. Such a combination of intraband and interband experiments, using the same apparatus, is possible only for materials like our $Hg_{1-x}Cd_x$ Te samples, with extremely small energy gaps and effective masses.

APPENDIX A. ESTIMATES OF PARAMETERS

We estimate the parameters of Table II-2 by expressing them in terms of \vec{p} matrix elements among the band-edge states belonging to the single-group representations of the T_d group. We begin with the parameters defined by Kane, $¹$ in terms of the conduction and valence band states S, X, Y and Z</sup> and higher band states Γ

$$
P = -i \frac{\hbar}{m} \langle S | p_x | X \rangle
$$
 (A-1)

$$
A_{K} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_{1}'} \frac{\langle x|p_{x}|\Gamma_{1}\rangle \langle \Gamma_{1}|p_{x}|x \rangle}{E_{0} - E(\Gamma_{1})}
$$

\n
$$
B_{K} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_{3}'} \frac{\langle x|p_{x}|\Gamma_{3}\rangle \langle \Gamma_{3}|p_{x}|x \rangle}{E_{0} - E(\Gamma_{3})}
$$

\n
$$
C_{K} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_{4}'} \frac{\langle x|p_{y}|\Gamma_{4}\rangle \langle \Gamma_{4}|p_{y}|x \rangle}{E_{0} - E(\Gamma_{4})}
$$

\n
$$
D_{K} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_{5}'} \frac{\langle x|p_{y}|\Gamma_{5}\rangle \langle \Gamma_{5}|p_{y}|x \rangle}{E_{0} - E(\Gamma_{5}')} \frac{\langle x|p_{x}|\Gamma_{5}\rangle \langle \Gamma_{5}|p_{y}|x \rangle}{E_{0} - E(\Gamma_{
$$

 $(A-2)$

$$
F = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_4'} \frac{|\langle s| p_x | \Gamma_4' \rangle|^2}{E_0 - E(\Gamma_4')}
$$
\n
$$
G = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_4'} \frac{\langle s| p_x | \Gamma_4' \rangle \langle \Gamma_4' | p_y | z \rangle}{E_0 - E(\Gamma_4')} \tag{A-3}
$$

where E_0 is approximately the band edge energy of the conduction and valence bands which are not included in the summations since the coupling between these bands is included explicitly in our model.

When the Hamiltonian is expressed in terms of the linear combinations of X, Y and Z, and the spin functions \dagger and \dagger [Eqs. (II-1)], which diagonalize the spin-orbit interaction, the parameters in Eqs. (A-2) recombine to form the parameters defined by Luttinger²

$$
\gamma_1 = -\frac{2}{3} (A_K + B_K + 2C_K + 2D_K) - 1
$$

\n
$$
\gamma_2 = -\frac{1}{3} (A_K + B_K - C_K - D_K)
$$

\n
$$
\gamma_3 = -\frac{1}{3} (A_K - \frac{1}{2}B_K + C_K - D_K)
$$

\n
$$
\kappa = -\frac{1}{3} (A_K - \frac{1}{2}B_K - C_K + D_K) - \frac{1}{3}
$$
 (A_K - $\frac{1}{2}B_K - C_K + D_K) - \frac{1}{3}$ (A_K - $\frac{1}{2}B_K - C_K + D_K) - \frac{1}{3}$ (A_K - $\frac{1}{2}B_K - C_K + D_K) - \frac{1}{3}$)

The spin-orbit interaction also allows the linear-k parameters defined by $Dresselhaus³$

$$
C = \frac{\hbar^2}{2\sqrt{3}m^2c^2} \sum_{\Gamma_1^{\prime}=\Gamma_{4}^{\prime}, \Gamma_5^{\prime}} \frac{\langle Y^{\dagger} | x_{so} | \Gamma_1^{\prime \dagger} \rangle \langle \Gamma_1^{\prime} | P_y | Z^{\dagger} \rangle}{E_0 - E(\Gamma_1^{\prime})}
$$
 (A-6)

Including the spin-orbit splitting of higher Γ_4 bands $(\Gamma_4\rightarrow\Gamma_7^{\prime},\Gamma_8^{\prime})$, we obtain the other four parameters in Table II-2:

$$
q = \frac{8}{27} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_8} \frac{\langle \psi_{3/2}^8 | P_x | \Gamma_8^* \rangle \langle \Gamma_8^* | P_y | \psi_{3/2}^8 \rangle}{E_0 - E(\Gamma_8^*)}
$$

\n
$$
N_1 = -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_8} \frac{\langle \psi_{1/2}^6 | P_x | \Gamma_8^* \rangle \langle \Gamma_8^* | P_y | \psi_{1/2}^6 \rangle}{E_0 - E(\Gamma_8^*)}
$$

\n
$$
N_2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_8^*} \frac{\langle \psi_{1/2}^6 | P_x | \Gamma_8^* \rangle \langle \Gamma_8^* | P_x | \psi_{-3/2}^8 \rangle}{E_0 - E(\Gamma_8^*)}
$$

\n
$$
N_3 = -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{\Gamma_8^*} \frac{\langle \psi_{1/2}^6 | P_x | \Gamma_8^* \rangle \langle \Gamma_8^* | P_y | \psi_{-3/2}^8 \rangle}{E_0 - E(\Gamma_8^*)}
$$

\n(A-7)

We estimate these last four parameters for one higher band (X', Y', Z') . Carrying out the spin-orbit transformation on both this and the (X, Y, Z) valence band, we find

$$
q \approx -\frac{4}{9} \sum_{\Gamma_4'} \frac{\Delta' (x|p_y|\Gamma_4) \langle \Gamma_4'|p_y|X\rangle}{[E_0 - E(\Gamma_4')]^2}
$$

\n
$$
N_1 \approx \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\Gamma_4'} \frac{\Delta' |\langle s|p_x|\Gamma_4'\rangle|^2}{[E_0 - E(\Gamma_4')]^2}
$$

\n
$$
N_2 \approx N_3 \approx -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\Gamma_4'} \frac{\Delta' \langle s|p_x|\Gamma_4'\rangle \langle \Gamma_4'|p_y|Z\rangle}{[E_0 - E(\Gamma_4')]^2}
$$
(A-8)

where Δ' is the spin-orbit splitting of the higher band. This gives

$$
q \approx -\frac{4}{9} \frac{\Delta^2}{E_0^2} C_K
$$

\n
$$
N_1 \approx \frac{1}{3} \frac{\Delta^2}{E_0^2} F
$$

\n
$$
N_2 \approx N_3 \approx -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \frac{\Delta^2}{E_0^2} G
$$
 (A-9)

where $E_0' = E(\Gamma_4') - E_0$. This result for q is the same as that given by Hensel and Suzuki.⁴

For InSb, the parameters P, Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 and K were obtained from magnetooptical experiments by Pidgeon and Brown⁵:

$$
E_p = 2 P^2 / m \approx 21.9 \text{ eV}
$$

\n
$$
Y_1 = 1.5
$$

\n
$$
Y_2 = -1.2
$$

\n
$$
Y_3 = -0.1
$$

\n
$$
K = -2.1
$$

\n(A-10)

neglecting the other parameters F, G, C, q, N₁, N₂ and N₃. Somewhat different values were obtained by Pidgeon and Groves, ⁶ who also found

$$
q = 0.39
$$

\n
$$
C = 9.3 \times 10^{-11} \text{ eV-cm}
$$
 (A-11)

The results in Eq. (A-10) imply, from Eq. (A-4)

$$
A_K \sim 1.4
$$

\n
$$
B_K \sim -1.1
$$

\n
$$
C_K \sim -2.5
$$

\n
$$
D_K \sim 0.0
$$
 (A-12)

The results for q and C_K imply

$$
\frac{\Delta^2}{E_0^2} \approx 0.35 \tag{A-13}
$$

which is approximately satisfied using $\Delta' \approx 1$ eV and $E'_0 \approx 3$ eV. However,

Glosser, Fischer and Seraphin' have observed electroreflection structure in n-type InSb at 3.1 and 3.5 eV which they attribute to transitions from the Γ_6 to the spin-split Γ'_4 band, giving $E'_0 \approx 3.3$ eV and $\Delta' \approx 0.4$ eV with $\Delta'/E_0' \approx 0.12$. This value of Δ' is about half that calculated by Varea de Alvarez et al., 8 but agrees with a calculation by Bloom and Bergstresser.⁹ The ratio Δ'/E_0' implies

$$
q \approx 0.13 \tag{A-14}
$$

rather than 0.39, which is close to the value 0.15 estimated by Lawaetz. 10 Using $C_K = -0.25$ and $E_0' = 3.3$ eV gives, from Eq. (A-2),

$$
|\langle X|p_y|\Gamma_4'\rangle|^2/m \approx 8.3 \text{ eV} \tag{A-15}
$$

This, with the estimate of Lawaetz

$$
E_p' = 2|\langle S|p_x|X'\rangle|^2/m \approx 15 \text{ eV} \tag{A-16}
$$

gives, from Eqs. $(A-5)$

$$
F \approx -2.3
$$
\n
$$
|G| \approx 2.4
$$
\n(A-17)

Then Eqs. (A-9) give

$$
N_1 \approx -0.1
$$

\n
$$
|N_2| \approx |N_3| \approx 0.09
$$
 (A-18)

For the case of $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$, Lawaetz¹⁰ estimates, for HgTe and CdTe, $\Delta \approx 1$ eV, $\Delta' \approx 0.6$ eV, and $E_0' \approx 5.8$ eV. He also estimates $B_K \approx -0.5$ and $C_K \simeq -1.2$, with $A_K \simeq D_K \simeq 0$, and $q \simeq 0.06$, $E_P' \simeq 14$ eV. These give

 $F \approx -1.2$ $|G| \approx 1.4$ $(A-19)$ $N_1 \approx -0.4$ $|N_2| \approx |N_3| \approx 0.03$

These results for N_1 , N_2 and N_3 , as well as for q, are even smaller in comparison to the other parameters, than is the case for InSb. These estimates are further decreased if we used the recently calculated results $A' \approx 0.13$, $E_0' \approx 6$ ev for CdTe or $A' \approx 0.26$, $E_0' \approx 5$ eV for HgTe. 11

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APPENDIX B. DERIVATIVES OF TRANSITION ENERGIES

The system of equations (V-3) for the corrections $\delta \alpha_j$ to the set of parameters α_j involves the derivatives $\partial E(H)/\partial \alpha_j$ of the transition energies E(H) with respect to each parameter. Each transition energy is given by $E(H) = E^{C}(H) - E^{V}(H)$, where $E^{C}(H)$ and $E^{V}(H)$ are the conduction and valence band energies in the quasi Ge model Eqs. (II-10). These energies are solutions of the determinental equation

$$
\begin{array}{ccccccc}\nE_1 & C & D & E \\
C & E_2 & L_3 & F \\
D & L_3 & E_3 & G \\
E & F & G & E_4\n\end{array}
$$
\n(B-1)

where, for a-set energies and $n \geq 1$,

$$
E_1 = E_g + 2\beta H[(2n+1)F + N_1 + n + 1] - E(H)
$$

\n
$$
E_2 = -\beta H[(2n-1)(\gamma_1 + \gamma') + 3\kappa] + q_1 - E(H)
$$

\n
$$
E_3 = -\beta H[(2n+3)(\gamma_1 - \gamma') - \kappa] + q_5 - E(H)
$$

\n
$$
E_4 = -\Delta - \beta H[(2n+3)\gamma_1 - 2\kappa - 1] - E(H)
$$
 (B-2)

where q_1 and q_5 are defined in Eqs. (III-3), and

$$
C = \sqrt{n\beta HE_p}
$$
\n
$$
L_3 = 2\beta H \sqrt{3n(n+1)} \gamma''
$$
\n
$$
D = -\sqrt{(n+1)\beta HE_p/3}
$$
\n
$$
F = -2\beta H \sqrt{6n(n+1)} \gamma''
$$
\n
$$
E = \sqrt{2(n+1)\beta HE_p}
$$
\n
$$
G = \sqrt{2}\beta H[(2n+3)\gamma' - \kappa - 1]
$$

For the b-set energies, and $n \ge 1$,

$$
E_1 = E_g + 2\beta H[(2n+1)F - N_1 + n] - E(H)
$$

\n
$$
E_2 = -\beta H[(2n-1)(\gamma_1 - \gamma') + \kappa] - q_5 - E(H)
$$

\n
$$
E_3 = -\beta H[(2n+3)(\gamma_1 + \gamma') - 3\kappa] - q_1 - E(H)
$$

\n
$$
E_4 = -\Delta - \beta H[(2n-1)\gamma_1 + 2\kappa + 1] - E(H)
$$
 (B-4)

 \mathbf{and}

$$
C = \sqrt{n\beta HE_p/3}
$$

\n
$$
L_3 = 2\beta H \sqrt{3n(n+1)} \gamma''
$$

\n
$$
D = -\sqrt{(n+1)\beta HE_p}
$$

\n
$$
F = -\sqrt{2}\beta H[(2n-1)\gamma' + \kappa + 1)
$$
(B-5)
\n
$$
E = \sqrt{2n\beta HE_p/3}
$$

\n
$$
G = 2\beta H \sqrt{6n(n+1)} \gamma''
$$

Equation $(B-1)$ is

$$
E_1E_2E_3E_4 - E_3E_4C^2 - E_2E_4D^2 - E_2E_3E^2 - E_1E_3F^2 - E_1E_2G^2
$$

-
$$
-E_1E_4L_3^2 + 2E_1FGL_3 + 2E_2DEG + 2E_3CEF + 2E_4CDL_3
$$
(B-6)
- 2CDFG - 2DEFL₃ - 2CEGL₃ + C²G² + D²F² + E²L₃² = 0

Taking the derivative of this equation with respect to each parameter α_j , we obtain the following expression for the derivatives $\, \mathrm{d} E(H)/\mathrm{d} \alpha_j \, \mathrm{:}$

$$
\rho \frac{\partial E(H)}{\partial \alpha_j} = \sum_{i=1}^4 f(E_i) \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial \alpha_j} + f(C) \frac{\partial C}{\partial \alpha_j} + f(D) \frac{\partial D}{\partial \alpha_j} + \dots \qquad (B-7)
$$

where

$$
f(E_1) = -E_2(E_3E_4 - G^2) + E_3F^2 + L_3(E_4L_3 - 2FG)
$$

\n
$$
f(E_2) = -E_1(E_3E_4 - G^2) + E_3E^2 + D(E_4D - 2EG)
$$

\n
$$
f(E_3) = -E_4(E_1E_2 - C^2) + E_2E^2 + F(E_1F - 2CE)
$$

\n
$$
f(E_4) = -E_3(E_1E_2 - C^2) + E_1L_3^2 + D(E_2D - 2CL_3)
$$
 (B-8)

and

$$
f(C) = 2[C(E_3E_4 - G^2) - E(E_3F - GL_3) - D(E_4L_3 - FG)]
$$

\n
$$
f(D) = 2[D(E_2E_4 - F^2) - E(E_2G - FL_3) - C(E_4L_3 - FG)]
$$

\n
$$
f(E) = 2[E(E_2E_3 - L_3^2) - D(E_2G - FL_3) - C(E_3F - GL_3)]
$$

\n
$$
f(F) = 2[F(E_1E_3 - D^2) - G(E_1L_3 - CD) - E(E_3C - DL_3)]
$$

\n
$$
f(G) = 2[G(E_1E_2 - C^2) - F(E_1L_3 - CD) - E(E_2D - CL_3)]
$$

\n
$$
f(L_3) = 2[L_3(E_1E_4 - E^2) - F(E_1G - DE) - C(E_4D - EG)]
$$

 $(B-9)$

with

$$
\rho = - (E_1 + E_2)(E_3 E_4 - G^2) - (E_3 + E_4)(E_1 E_2 - C^2) + (E_1 + E_3)F^2
$$

+ $(E_2 + E_4)D^2 + L_3[(E_1 + E_4)L_3 - 2(CD + FG)]$ (B-10)
+ $E[(E_2 + E_3)E - 2(CF + DG)]$

Taking the appropriate derivatives $\partial E_1/\partial \alpha_j$, etc. from Eqs. (B-2, 3) or (B-3,4), and using Eqs. (B-7) through (B- 10), gives the equations used to calculate the derivatives $\partial E(H)/\partial \alpha_j$ in the subroutine DECAL which is in the listings of computer programs in Appendix C. The derivatives for the special cases $n = -1$ and 0 are computed, along with these energies, in the soubroutine HCTEDR, which calls DECAL for $n \geq 1$.

APPENDIX C. COMPUTER PROGRAMS

This Appendix includes listings of the computer programs used in this investigation. These were all used on the TSO time-sharing system. Those in the first group were used to calculate (GEDIAG) and print (GEPRT) the energy eigenvalues and eigenvectors in the quasi Ge model for a given set of parameters and magnetic field values, and also to calculate the energies and intensities (GEINTEN) of transitions among these levels. The most intense interband transitions were calculated (HCTTR) and plotted (HCTPL'T) on copies of our magnetoreflection data for $Hg_{1-x}Cd_xTe$ using the next two programs. The identified magnetoreflection peaks were stored (DATACR) in disc datasets, which could be edited using the TSO command EDIT. The data points were fit to the calculated transition energies using variations of the next two programs, which call the subroutine HCTEDR which computes the transitions energies and their derivatives with respect to all the parameters (see App. B). The program HCTMIN was used to attempt to fit all of the parameters simultaneously, and HCTMBC reduces the fit to 5 parameters or less by expressing the valence band parameters Y_1 , Y_2 , Y_3 and K in terms of the Kane parameters B_K and C_K [Eqs. (A-5)].

Each program which requires input from the terminal uses a standard set of conventions. The LABL input provides an opportunity to label the output with the date, for example, and setting the first character to "s" is the "stop" signal. The other input uses the TSO READ* or free-format input: values are delimited by commas, successive commas are used to skip (leave unchanged) a variable, and a $\frac{1}{1}$ terminates the input. In our programs the sample orientation is assumed to be [111] unless cos θ is reset on input.

SUBROUTINE GEDIAS (H, NMIN, NMAX, EG, DEL, EP, F, G1, GP, GPP, KAP, 01, 05, IV, 00000010 00000020 **FN.UI** 00000030 00000040 DIAGONALIZES S*8 GERMANIUM K.P MATRIX USING ROUTINE EIGRS 00000050 IN 'SYSS. IMSLIB. LOAD' 00000060 00000070 MAGNETIC FIELD PAPAMETEPS: HIKILOGAUSS) 00000080 NMIN, NMAX (INTEGEPS) RANGE OF N-VALUES TO BE USED 00000090 EG.DEL(EV) ENERGY GAP AND S-O SPLITTING 00000100 CONDUCTION AND VALENCE BAND P.G1.GP.GPP.KAP.01.05 00000110 HIGHER-BAND PARAMETERS 00000120 TV = 0 FOR NO FIGENVECTORS, 1 FOR VECTORS 00000130 00000140 PETURNS: EN(I, I) ENERGIES(EV) 8*LMAX MATRIX Π (J,I,L) EIGENVECTOR FOR EN(I,L) 00000150 4*8*LMAX MATRIX 00000160 $IMAX = NMAY - NHTN + 1$ 00000170 00000180 SUBBOUTINE GEDIAG(H, NMIN, NMAX, FG, DEL, FP, F, G1, GP, GPP, K, 01, 05, IV, EN, 00000190 00000200 1 11 00000210 IMPLICIT REAL*8 (A-Z) 00000220 INTEGER NMIN, NMAX, IV, LMAX, L, I, J, IER, II, JJ DIMENSION RN(8,18), U(4,8,18), A(10), B(10), D(4), Z(4,4), WK(4) 00000230 00000240 DATA RT2/1.414213562DO/ 00000250 DATA RT3/1.732050808D0/ 00000260 DATA RT6/2.449489743D0/ 00000270 LMAY=NMAX-NMIN+1 00000280 $5 = 1.15767578D - 5*H$ 00000290 $S2 = S/2D0$ 00000300 $M2A = DSORT (S*FP)$ 00000310 $M4A = M2A/RT6$ 00000320 $M7A = M2A/RT3$ 00000330 $M2A = M2A/RT2$ 00000340 $G1S = G1 * S$ 00000350 $GPS = GPR S$ 00000360 $GPL = G1S+GPS$

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EG.DEL(EV) ENEPGY GAP AND S-O SPLITTING 00000100 FG,DFL (EV) PNPPGY GAP AND S-0 SPLITTING 00000110 ?,G1,GP,GPP,KAPM,01,05,N1 =~ CONDUCTION AND VALENCE 00000120 RAND HIGHFR-BAND PARAMETERS 00000130 ACCURACY OF PIGENVALUES **FPS** 00000140 00000150 RETURNS: FT TRANSITION ENFRGY (FV) 00000160 00000170 00000180 SUPRONTINE HCINIT(FG, DEL, FP, F, G1, GP, GPP, K, 01, 05, N1, EPS) 00000190 $IMPLICIT PRPAL*8 (A-2)$ *NTEGFR 1,,I,IFR,IP,IT,LC,LCP(20,2),LH,LHP(20,2),IC,ICP(20,2),TH. 00000200 00000210 THP(20,2) ,11,12,IL,IFR 00000220 DIMENSION E(2),A(10),B(10),D(4),CD(8),R(1),AUX(8) 00000230 DATA RT2/1.414213562D0/ [|] 00000240 DATA 1°?*/1,%,1,5,5,9,9,9,5,9,9,9,5,9,9,9,5,9,9,9, 00000250 1,%,1,1,5,1,5,9,1,9,9,9,1,9,9,9,1,9,9,9/ 00000260 PATE IHP/3.7.2.6.7.2.2.2.7.2.2.2.7.2.2.2.7.2.2.2. 00000270 $1, 2, 6, 2, 3, 5, 2, 6, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 2/$ PATA LCP/2,2,4,4,3,5,6,7,4,8,9,10,5,11,12,13,6,14,15,16, 00000280 00000290 $1, 2, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 3, 6, 7, 8, 4, 9, 10, 11, 5, 12, 13, 14/$ DATA LHP/1,1,3,3,2,4,5,6,3,7,8,9,4,10,11,12,5,13,14,15, 00000300 2,3,4,3,4,5,5,6,4,7,8,9,5,10,11,12,6,13,14,15/ 00000310 00000320 FMIN=-DEL
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ENTRY HC™™R(H,IP,IT,ET) 00000330 00000340 00000350 5=1,15767578D-5%H 00000360 $S2=S/2D0$

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TC=ICP(IT,IP) 00000370 00000380 TH=THP?(IT, TP) LC=1CP(IT, TP) 00000390 00000400 LH=LHP (IT,TP) TP(LH. GT. LC) GO TO 19 00000410 $L1=LH$
 $L2=LC$ 00000420 00000430 00000440 30 TO 20 10 $L2=1H$ 00000450 00000460 $I = I \subset C$ 00000470 20 TPF(IC.F0.5Y GO TO 110 $TL=1$ 00000480 00000490 $DO 100 L=L1, L2$ $N=L-2$ 00000500 IF(N. GE. 0D0) GO TO 30 00000510 00000520 C A-SET $N=-1$ $A(1) = (K - G1 + GP) * S2 + 05 * S$ 00000530 $A (2) = (GP - K - 1D) * S/RT2$ 00000540 $A(2) = K*S+ (1D0-G1)*S2-DEL$ 00000550 00000560 CALL DMHS(A, 2, D, CD, IER) CALL DMESP (D.CD. 2.2.2. EPS. B.AUX.IER) 00090570 00000580 $F(IL)=-R(1)$ 00000590 50 TO 100 30 TP(N.GT.0DO) GO TO 50 00000600 00000610 C A-SET $N=0$ 00000620 $A(1) = (1D0 + P + N1) * S + FG$ $A(2) = -DSORT(EP*S/6D0)$ 00000630 00000680 $A(3) = (K-3D0*(G1-GP))$ * $52+05*S$ 00000650
00000660 $A(4) = -A(2) * RT2$ $A(5) = (GP * 3D0 - K - 1D0) * S/RT2$ 00000660
00000670 $A(6)$ =K*S+ (1D0-3D0*G1) *S2-DEL 00000670 00000680 CALL DMHS(A, 3, D, CD, IER) 00000690 TF(L.FQ.LC) GO TO 40 CALL DMESP(D,CD, 3, 2, 2, EPS, R, AUX, IER) 00000700 00000710 F (IL) =-R(1) 60 TO 100 00000720

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