Jump Rates for Point Defects in Special Positions Held by a Trapping Center of Noncubic Symmetry

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In a previous paper [J. Phys. Chem. Solids **27**, 975 (1966)] the authors have discussed symmetry conditions for equivalence of jump rates operative in point-defect motion between crystallographically equivalent general sites neighboring a trapping center. The treatment is here extended to equivalent special sites to show that the total number of inequivalent jump rates can be expressed as $(N_t/N_d)-q_e-1$ where N_t and N_d are the orders of the symmetry groups of the trap and defect respectively and where q_e is the number of independently effective pairs of nonself-inverse symmetry operators (paired with their inverses) all in the symmetry group of the trap. The number q_e can be obtained by counting any nonself-inverse operator pair, an element of which, when multiplied by any element of the defect symmetry, equals neither its own inverse nor an element of a pair previously counted.

For thermally activated relaxation processes expressions apply for maximum and minimum numbers of jump frequencies involved in complete and partial relaxation processes. For complete relaxation the maximum number is the number of prime factors in the ratio of the order of the symmetry group of the trap to that of the defect group. The minimum number is the minimum number of generators that will raise the defect position symmetry to that of the trap.

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1. Introduction

In a recent publication [1] ¹ we have discussed symmetry conditions for equivalence of jump rates operative in point-defect motion between crystallographically equivalent sites with a view toward an assessment of the extent to which such motion can account for relaxation and diffusion phenomena observable in crystals. Closely related problems have been treated by A. S. Nowick [2] and in papers referred to by him. Our treatment does not depend on linearity of response to an outside influence and is believed to have rather general applicability. In the quoted paper [1] it was applied to a highly specialized situation governed by four restrictions; the partial removal of the second restriction being the contribution in this paper.

Restriction 1: The point defect, though itself relatively mobile, was held to an immobile trapping center, the defect remaining free only to jump between symmetry-equivalent sites on a shell neighboring the trapping center. The effect of this restriction was to reduce a problem concerned with an infinite number of possible defect sites to one concerned with the finite point groups of the trap, G_t and G'_t in the initial and strained conditions, respectively (all basic notation is summarized in table 1). The corresponding point-group orders are designated N_t and N'_t . Both groups are subgroups of the corresponding crystal space groups, and of the crystal point groups G and G' of order N and N', respectively.

Restriction 2: The point group of the point-defect site in the unstrained crystal, G_d , was restricted to the identity 1. In the strained crystal the point group of the defect, G'_d , was necessarily 1, too, because by simple symmetry postulate [1] $G'_d \subseteq G_d$. We here relax this restriction to allow the site symmetry of the defect to differ from the identity and we refer to its symmetry as symmetry of specialization. G_d , of order N_d , must be a noncentrosymmetric subgroup of G_t because the trapping center neighbors the defect on only one side. By the correspondence of the shell of sites around the trap with the construction sphere for a stereographic projection, we deduce that the only permitted G_d are the ten symmetries achievable on the surface of a sphere (see tables 3 and 4 in reference [3]), which in turn are isomorphous with the ten two-dimensional diperiodic point groups [4]. Although in three dimensions the presence of the trap imposed the limitation of lack of a symmetry center, this limitation does not apply to the isomorphous two-dimensional groups.

¹ Figures in brackets indicate literature references at the end of this paper.

 TABLE 1. Symbols used for point groups, their orders as well as for individual operators, defect sites and paths

| | Crystal | Point group | Order | Symmetry operator in group | |
|---------|------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Crystal | Unstrained Strained | G G' | N N' | S S' | |
| Trap | Unstrained Strained | $egin{array}{c} G_t \ G_t' \end{array}$ | $egin{array}{c} N_t \ N_t' \end{array}$ | $egin{array}{c} S_t \ S_t' \end{array}$ | |
| Defect | Unstrained Strained | $egin{array}{c} G_d \ G_d' \ G_d' \end{array}$ | $egin{array}{c} N_d \ N_d' \ N_d' \end{array}$ | $\left \begin{array}{c} S_d \\ S'_d \end{array} \right $ | |

$G'_d \subseteq G_d \subseteq G_t \subseteq G \supseteq G' \supseteq G'_t \supseteq G'_d$ and $G_t \supseteq G'_t$

where \supseteq indicates a subgroup relationship of the right group to the one written to the left of that symbol.

- An S could be a 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, $\overline{1}$, $\overline{2}$, $\overline{3}$, $\overline{4}$ or $\overline{6}$ axial operator to the first positive or negative power.
 - S^{-1} is specifically an inverse of an S.
 - \overline{S} is specifically an inversion axis operator.
 - \tilde{S} is specifically a rotation axis operator.
 - |S| is the order of the axis.
 - Additional suffixes 1, 2, 3 . . . are used to distinguish different operators.
 - [uvw] is a direction $\epsilon \langle uvw \rangle$ where ϵ means "an element of."
 - $\overline{S}[uvw]$ is the direction $\epsilon \langle uvw \rangle$ to which [uvw] is transformed by
 - operator S. $S_2S_1[uvw] = S_3[uvw]$ when the successive operations S_1 followed by S_2 is equivalent to the single operation of S_3 .
 - $[uvw] \rightarrow S[uvw]$ is a defined path from a site defined by [uvw] to one defined by S[uvw].
 - $[uvw]^S$ is the angle between [uvw] and the direction of S.

Indeed the two-dimensional environment of a defect on the surface of the shell and on its tangent plane may be two-dimensionally centrosymmetric.

There exist alternative ways of expressing all possible symmetry operators S. Most systems commonly used allow, in addition to 1, any of the crystallographically permitted rotation axes 2, 3, 4, or 6. To complete a self-consistent set of distinct possible operators S in G we will use inversion axes 1, 2, $\overline{3}$, $\overline{4}$, and 6. Where the order of the operator, |S|, defined by the smallest positive integer for which $S^{|S|} = 1$, is greater than 2 (that is for 3, 4, 6, 3, 4, and 6) the operator is nonself-inverse and its inverse is distinct. Nevertheless, if S is an element of G, S^{-1} is, too, i.e., $S \epsilon G \leftrightarrow S^{-1} \epsilon G$. Of the inversion axes only $\overline{2}$, equivalent to a mirror plane, *m*, provides a possible $S_d \epsilon G_d$. $\overline{2}$ differs from all rotation-axial S_d , denoted \tilde{S}_d , in that $\bar{2}_d$ provides a locus of an infinite number of coplanar directions corresponding to defect sites all of which have $G_d \supseteq 2$, whereas a crystal can only possess a small number of sites with rotational symmetry of specialization. (It is not implied that a defect with $\overline{2}_d$ has a degree of freedom_of motion along_the mirror plane perpendicular to 2_d . The sites on 2_d are not in general symmetry related and so can have differing free-energy characteristics.) The possible G_d are then the five S_d alone plus the same five with a perpendicular

 $\bar{2}_d$ axis $(\bar{S}_d/\bar{2}_d)$. Thus only ten defect groups can occur: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, m, 2m, 3m, 4m, and 6m. The effect of the second restriction imposed in our previous paper [1] was further to reduce consideration to equivalent general sites of the point defect. With $G_d = 1$, necessarily, the number of equivalent defect sites was always N_t .

Each site can be defined by a $[uvw]\epsilon\langle uvw \rangle$ where the u, v, w numbers need not be simple integers. Equality of two directions represented by $[u_1, v_1, w_1]$ and $[u_2, v_2, w_2]$ is assured by the conditions that the magniu v w

tude and sign of any two of the three ratios $\frac{u}{v}, \frac{v}{w}, \frac{w}{u}$ be

the same in the two cases and that the sign of one of the three symbols u, v, w be the same. Every element of $\langle uvw \rangle$ can be described as $S_t[uvw]$, the direction generated by $S_t \epsilon G_t$ acting on [uvw]. A path indicated by $[uvw] \rightarrow S_t[uvw]$ will refer to a path from a defect site [uvw] to another site $S_t[uvw]$. Of the infinite number of such geometric paths a choice can be made to fulfill some specific conditions. If the notation were applied to crystal-chemical networks, it might be adequate to designate the straight-line path. In other applications a great-circle path is satisfactory. In our work here, we mean the path which has the largest jump rate, which, in turn, approximates that of minimum free-energy barrier. The path for largest jump rate need not be straight, nor lie on the surface of the shell containing the sites and has no single geometric representation to justify fully the use of the singular word "path" which, nevertheless, we use. One may think of a path with a finite not-sharply delineated width. The removal of restriction 2 will necessitate a further reexamination of the concept of the path (see sec. 2).

In our previous work [1], for which always $G_d = 1$ and for which the number of sites, consequently, equaled the number of elements in $\langle uvw \rangle$, i.e., N_t , the number of nonzero paths emanating from [uvw]was always $N_t - 1$. Symmetry requires that these paths from [uvw] are fully representative of all paths relevant to $\langle uvw \rangle$. This rule will apply equally for $N_d > 1$.

The aim of the present paper is then to remove this second restriction, but we simplify our task by restricting discussion to noncubic trap sites G_t .

Restriction 3: We have assumed that (in our new nomenclature)

$$[uvw] \rightarrow S_t[uvw] = [uvw] \rightarrow S_t^{-1}[uvw] \tag{1}$$

even when $|S_t| > 2$ that is when

$$[uvw] \rightarrow S_t[uvw] \neq [uvw] \rightarrow S_t^{-1}[uvw].$$

This eq (1) will hold for most physical models one can invent. In our previous paper [1] we have in fact shown that the equation must hold for all steady-state conditions under which the principle of detailed population balance is applicable. Our treatment, though in some ways complicated by this restriction, would lose likely contact with possible experiments if we removed it. We, therefore, retain the condition imposed by eq (1) throughout this paper.

In our previous paper [1] we found that for each pair of nonself-inverse operators S and S^{-1} , the number J of nonequivalent paths from [uvw] was reduced by one. If q is the number of such S pairs (|S| > 2)

$$J = N_t - q - 1 \tag{2}$$

Even after completely upsetting the population in equivalent sites by an externally imposed influence, relaxation by a thermally activated process does not, in general, require all the nonequivalent jump rates to be activated. It is in general impossible to state a number of needed jump rates even for a given G_t . It was, however, possible [1] to derive simple expressions for the minimum number J_{\min} , and the maximum number J_{max} needed completely to relax a system. The minimum number, J_{\min} , of nonequivalent jump rates needed completely to relax a system in which the population of defects over equivalent sites had been completely upset was the rank of G_t (the minimum number of operators whose products and powers constitute that group). In most point groups the experimentally observable number of jump rates could be larger than J_{\min} depending on the relative magnitude of the jump rates. There was, however, a usefully restrictive maximum number J_{max} of nonequivalent jump rates equal to the number of prime factors in N_t . Similarly, simple rules could be formulated for partially upset populations. If N'_t of the N_t initially equivalent sites remained equivalent through a postulated sequence of influences, the minimum number of jump rates, J_{\min} , needed for relaxation, was the minimum number of nonequivalent symmetry operators that would raise G'_t of order N'_t to the initial point group

 G_t . The maximum number was the number of prime factors in (N_t/N_t') . We presented [1] tabulations of maximum and minimum numbers of jump rates. Experiments designed to observe these points must be carried out at temperatures high enough so that an adequate number of jump rates are above the level of observation, so that point defects can attain equilibrium distributions in finite time.

Restriction 4: Along paths emanating from a given [*uvw*] predictable cross-over positions may occur with equivalent paths emanating from other elements of $\langle uvw \rangle$. Some crossings must be exact, some may only be approximate, because of limited variability of the radial distance from the trap. As a result some paths must have equal, approximately equal, or lower freeenergy barriers than others also emanating from [uvw]. These inequalities have not been discussed in detail, nor are they further discussed in this paper. It should be realized, however, that the effect of these inequalities will be to lower the number of experimentally observable distinct jump rates. Accidental equalities of jump rates under specific conditions and within any given experimental precision need not be discussed in the present context.

2. Consequences of Symmetry of Specialization for the Defect Sites

By analogy with the definition of general position in crystallography as the set of symmetry-related positions each of which is left invariant by no other symmetry operator S than the identity, 1, we will use "general direction" to define the $\langle uvw \rangle$ set if a [uvw] $\epsilon \langle uvw \rangle$ is not invariant under any operator S_t other than the identity. Similarly "special direction" will signify the $\langle uvw \rangle$ set if at least one S_t (other than the identity, 1) will leave a given [uvw] invariant. The special direction characterizes the symmetry properties of a special position set of a point defect confined to a trap. The stereographic representation of a special direction set $\langle uvw \rangle$ can easily be visualized with the help of the steoregraphic representation of the general direction set for the given G_t [3]. The positions of the general set $\langle uvw \rangle$ are moved, in conformity with the symmetry requirements, on the stereogram into coalescence on the stereographic representation of the defect symmetry group G_d .

 $\binom{N_t}{N_d} = 1$ paths will then emanate from any [uvw]. The direction $S_d[uvw] \equiv [uvw]$ so that generally

The direction $S_d[uvw] \equiv [uvw]$ so that generally for $S_t \notin S_d$:

$$S_t[uvw] \equiv S_t S_d[uvw] \tag{3}$$

where the product S_tS_d signifies the operation required by S_d followed by that of S_t , a product which must equal an operator $S_{t1} \epsilon G_t$; where $S_{t1} \neq S_t$ unless $S_d = 1$. We, therefore, note that for special positions any one direction of the set $\langle uvw \rangle$ can be written in terms of a given [uvw] in N_d ways. All will be of the type $S_t[uvw]$. A given path $[uvw] \rightarrow S_t[uvw]$ can also be written in N_d ways referring to identically the same path by changing only the operator S_t . This is illustrated for the case $G_t = \overline{6}m2$, $G_d = \overline{2}_{\perp}$ ($\overline{2}_{\perp}$ signifies $\overline{2} \perp \overline{6}$) in figure 1 with its accompanying table.

The concept of the path itself needs to be examined once more also by reference to figure 1. Reference is made to the path $[uvw] \rightarrow 2_{\parallel}[uvw]$ for which $S_d = 2_{\perp}$ leaves both [uvw] and $\overline{2}_{||}[uvw]$ invariant. For all models for which the geometric path is permitted to depart from the mirror plane of specialization, there will be symmetrically equal geometric realizations of that path on the two sides of the symmetry plane, 2_d . The $2_{[10\bar{1}0]}$ axis relating [uvw] to $2_{||} [uvw]$ has a similar effect on any path not going through the angle bisector. Although we are aware of this plurality of some geometric paths $[uvw] \rightarrow S_t[uvw]$ we feel justified in continuing to use the singular word path giving rise to one jump rate. For a given free-energy barrier a geometric path plurality will slightly increase the jump rate, but that enhanced jump rate will be a characteristic of the system, namely, that appropriate for the path $[uvw] \rightarrow S_t [uvw]$. The geometric plurality of paths does not introduce complexities any more than did the path width discussed in the introduction. In fact a wider path with energetically



| Point | Two Methods of Generation from P ₁ | Path | Equivalent to Path | Equiv Self-inverse Operation | lence by Non Self-inverse Pair | |
|----------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|
| P ₁ | 1[uvw] ² [1210] ^[uvw] | | | | | |
| P ₂ | ² [0001] ^[uvw] ² [10ī0] ^[uvw] | P ₁ →P ₂ | None | | | |
| P ₃ | ² [2110] ^[uvw] 3[uvw] | P ₁ →P ₃ | P1→P5 | ² d | 3, 3 ⁻¹ | |
| P ₄ | ² [01Ī0] ^[uvw] ē ⁻¹ [uvw] | P ₁ →P ₄ | P1→P6 | 2 _d | ē, ē ⁻¹ | |
| P ₅ | ² [1120] ^[uvw] 3 ⁻¹ [uvw] | P ₁ →P ₅ | P ₁ →P ₃ | 2 _d | 3, 3 ⁻¹ | |
| P ₆ | 2 _{[1}]00] ^[uvw] 6 [uvw] | P ₁ →P ₆ | P ₁ →P ₄ | 2 _d | ē, ē ⁻¹ | |

FIGURE 1. Equivalence of paths from a special position on a mirror plane in point group $\bar{6}m2$, for a defect on a mirror plane, $m = \bar{2}$.

shallower sides will in the same way lead to lower jump rates.

In the next section we shall obtain the number of independent paths by a procedure involving the counting of the effective number of nonself-inverse operator pairs. We conclude the present section by describing an alternate procedure involving the counting of certain distinct operator product sets; this alternate procedure is perhaps not as easy to apply to specific cases but provides a different point of view. We begin by noting that we need only consider the paths emanating from any one [uvw] and that all paths emanating from a given [uvw] are of the form $[uvw] \rightarrow S_t[uvw]$ where $S_t \neq G_d$ because [uvw] is invariant under all operators in G_d . For two paths to be equal as expressed by $[uvw] \rightarrow S_{t1}[uvw] = [uvw] \rightarrow S_{t2}[uvw]$ the operators must satisfy either of two conditions. First, equality of paths is assured if $S_{t2} = S_{t1}^{-1}$ and S_{t1} is nonself-inverse; this is the only case which can occur for general [uvw] and was previously treated for general sites. Second, if $S_d \in G_d$ and

$$S_{t2} = S_d S_{t1} \text{ or } S_{t2} = S_d S_{t1}^{-1} \tag{4}$$

equality of paths is assured (note that the first condition is contained in the second by taking S_d to be the identity). This second condition holds because an operator S_d which satisfies this condition will leave [uvw] unmoved and will take S_{t1} [uvw] into $S_{t2}[uvw]$. By considering each of the possible operations S_d in turn one can see that each point of the path $[uvw] \rightarrow S_{t1}[uvw]$ is carried into the corresponding path $[uvw] \rightarrow S_{t2}[uvw]$ so that the paths are equivalent and must have equal jump rates. This argument justifies the following procedure for determining the number of independent paths, J: list all of the $S_t \notin G_d$. For each S_t form the set of operator products $S_d S_t$ and $S_d S_t^{-1}$ using all $S_d \notin G_d$. J is equal to the number of distinct sets.

3. The Number of Distinct Jump Rates in Terms of the Effective Number of Nonself-Inverse Operators

In this section we shall first show that only nonself-inverse operators need be considered in determining the number of equivalent paths because even though self-inverse operators do in certain instances relate pairs of paths emanating from special positions their effect is always duplicated by the action of nonself-inverse operators. We then consider the fact that distinct pairs of nonself-inverse operators sometimes coincide in their effect on paths emanating from special positions or fail to relate distinct paths so that the effective number of nonselfinverse operator pairs is sometimes less than the total number of distinct pairs.

Two physically distinct paths emanating from [uvw]may be equalized by self-inverse elements of G_d acting directly on the paths or by the demands of nonself-inverse symmetry operators in G_t (compare restriction 3 in the introduction). We can easily cite examples of the second kind of cause without the first being applicable (e.g., $G_t = 4/m$; $G_d = \overline{2}$; $[uv0] \rightarrow 4^{-1}[uv0] = [uv0] \rightarrow \overline{4}[uv0]$).

The two paths related by nonself-inverse operators (eq. (1)) need not be related by any element of G_d . Conversely, however, we can prove that two paths related by a self-inverse element of G_d are necessarily also related by a nonself-inverse operator as in eq. (1). Let S_{d1} be a self-inverse operator of G_d which leaves [uvw] invariant; the path $[uvw] \rightarrow S_t[uvw]$ must be equivalent to the path $[uvw] \rightarrow S_{d1}S_t[uvw]$. If $S_t[uvw]$ is also on S_{d1} then two paths connect the same directions and so are considered together as a single path as previously discussed and no equivalence of different paths results. If $S_t[uvw]$ is not on S_d then we can show that either S_t is nonself-inverse or $S_{d1}S_t$ is nonself-inverse. To prove this statement the four possibilities of self-inverse oper-ators 1, 2, $\overline{1}$, $\overline{2}$ for S_{d1} must be considered in turn. The possibilities 1 and $\overline{1}$ can be dismissed at once because the former has no effect and the latter cannot be an element of any G_d . For $S_{d1} = 2$ any mirror plane whose normal is || to S_{d1} will leave [uvw] invariant; a center, mirror plane, or other 2 axis $\perp S_{d1}$ will generate $[\overline{u}\overline{v}\overline{w}]$ still on S_{d1} . Thus the only selfinverse operators S_t which will move $S_t[uvw]$ off S_{d1} are 2 or 2 axes inclined to S_{d1} whose product with S_{d1} is a nonself-inverse operator. An exactly analogous argument applies for $S_{d2} = \overline{2}$. Note also that if any $|S_d| > 2$ for noncubic G_t all elements of $\langle uvw \rangle$ are coincident with S_d . No $S_d \in G_d$ can then repeat any path $[uvw] \rightarrow S_t[uvw]$ other than into its inverse (i.e., the same path with the direction of motion reversed). We are, however, only concerned with the number of paths emanating from [uvw]. We conclude that any pair of paths related by a selfinverse operator is also related by a pair of nonselfinverse operators as in equation 1 and so turn our attention to examining the latter.

If G_t contains no $|S_t| > 2$, i.e., when q = 0, no distinct paths can be equal, so $J = \frac{N_t}{N_d} - 1$. The total number of nonself-inverse operator pairs may not be effective in relating distinct paths when the $\langle uvw \rangle$ is a special direction set. For a general direction set $\langle uvw \rangle$: $S_{t1}[uvw] \neq S_{t2}[uvw]$. However, for a special direction $\langle uvw \rangle$ it could be that $S_{t1}[uvw] \equiv S_{t2}[uvw]$. Two cases arise: (1) $S_{t1} = S_{t2}^{-1}$ and $S_{t2}^{-1} [uvw] = 0.52[uvw]$. will apply if and only if $[uvw] || S_t (|S_t| > 2)$. For noncubic G_t all $S_t (|S_t| > 2)$ must be parallel to each other, and for $\langle uvw \rangle || S_t(|S_t| > 2)$ the number q_e of independently effective pairs of nonself-inverse operators is always zero. (2) The other special case is that in which S_{t1} and S_{t2} are not a mutually inverse pair, yet generate the same path emanating from [uvw]. Equation 3, however, expresses all N_d possible ways of expressing a given path. It follows that the condition for this special case is:

$$\mathbf{S}_{t1} = \mathbf{S}_{t2} \mathbf{S}_d.$$

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However, for $S_{t1} || S_{t2}$, all 2 and $\overline{2} \perp S_t$ relate all S_t to S_t^{-1} only. For $\overline{2} || S_t$, i.e., a mirror plane perpendicular to S_t , will relate:

$$4 \rightleftharpoons \overline{4}^{-1},$$
$$3 \rightleftharpoons \overline{6}^{-1},$$
and $6 \rightleftharpoons \overline{3}^{-1}.$

For $\langle uvw \rangle \perp S_t$ therefore $q = q_e$ if $G_d = 2$ and $\frac{q}{2} = q_e$ if $G_d = m$ or mm2.

In summary, therefore,

$$J = \frac{N_t}{N_d} - q_e - 1 \tag{5}$$

where $q_e \leq q$. For noncubic G_t and $|S_t| > 2$. If $S_t \mid \langle uvw \rangle$ $\qquad \qquad q_e = 0$ If $S_t \perp \langle uvw \rangle$ and $S_t \mid 2$ $\qquad \qquad q_e = 2$ If $S_t \perp \langle uvw \rangle$ and S_t not $\mid 2$ $\qquad q_e = q$ If $S_t \wedge \langle uvw \rangle \neq n\pi/2$ $\qquad \qquad q_e = q$.

The value of q_e can be expressed in words as the following count taken from the q nonself-inverse operator pairs: A pair is counted if neither of its elements multiplied by any element of the defect

symmetry equals either its own inverse or an element of a pair previously counted.

4. Jump Rates for Special Defect Directions in Noncubic Point Groups of the Trap Site

For special defect directions $\langle uvw \rangle$ in noncubic trap point groups G_t an exhaustive list of the total number J, of distinct paths, is given in tables 2 and 3 relating to centrosymmetric and other G_t , respectively. The maximum and minimum number of jump rates needed for relaxation is also given in these tables. If the concepts involved are not adequately clarified in the introduction of this paper, the reader is referred to our previous publication [1]. It is noteworthy that for special positions in noncentrosymmetric point groups, $J_{\min} > 2$ occurs only for $G_t = \overline{6}m2$ and $G_d = m_{[0001]}$. The last two columns of table 2 show additional forumed in paper

figures in parentheses corresponding to relaxation jump rates needed after the population has been upset by an influence that itself was centrosymmetric such as homogeneous mechanical strain. For general positions these numbers are always one less than the corresponding one for noncentrosymmetric influences as previously discussed [1], except for the minimum number of paths in point groups having a $\overline{3}$ axis, for which the numbers in parentheses did not differ from

TABLE 2. Paths for centrosymmetric noncubic trap symmetries; all special positions of point defects

| | | | | | | | $J_{ m Min}$ | $J_{ m Max}$ |
|---------------|-------|--|--|---|---|------------------|--|--|
| G_t | N_t | G _d | N_d | $\frac{N_t}{N_d}$ | q_e | J | Figures in par to limitation symmetric | entheses refer s for centro- c influence |
| ī | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1(0) | 1(0) |
| 2/m | 4 | 2 m | $\frac{2}{2}$ | $2 \\ 2$ | $\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | 1 1 | $1(0) \\ 1(0)$ | $1(0) \\ 1(0)$ |
| mmm | 8 | m mm2 | $\frac{2}{4}$ | 4 2 | $\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | $\frac{3}{1}$ | $2(1) \\ 1(0)$ | $2(1) \\ 1(0)$ |
| 3 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1(0) | 1(0) |
| $\bar{3}m$ | 12 | m 2 3m | 2 2 6 | 6 6 2 | $ \begin{array}{c} 2\\ 2\\ 0 \end{array} $ | 3 1 | $1(1) \\ 1(1) \\ 1(0)$ | 2(1) 2(1) 1(0) |
| 4/m | 8 | $\frac{m}{4}$ | $\frac{2}{4}$ | $\frac{4}{2}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | 2 1 | $1(1) \\ 1(0)$ | $2(1) \\ 1(0)$ |
| 4/ <i>mmm</i> | 16 | $m_{[100]}$ or $m_{[110]}$ $m_{[001]}$ mm2 4mm | 2 2 4 8 | $\begin{array}{c} 8\\ 8\\ 4\\ 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 2\\ 1\\ 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | 5 6 2 1 | 2(1) 2(2) 1(1) 1(0) | 3(2) 3(2) 2(1) 1(0) |
| 6/m | 12 | т 6 | $\frac{2}{6}$ | 6 2 | $ \begin{array}{c} 2\\ 0 \end{array} $ | $\frac{3}{1}$ | $1(1) \\ 1(0)$ | $2(1) \\ 1(0)$ |
| 6/mmm | 24 | $m_{[10\bar{1}0]} \text{ or } m_{[2\bar{1}\bar{1}0]} m_{[0001]} mm2 \ 6mm$ | $\begin{array}{c}2\\2\\4\\12\end{array}$ | $ \begin{array}{c} 12 \\ 12 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{array} $ | | 7 9 3 1 | 2(1) 2(2) 1(1) 1(0) | 3(2) 3(2) 2(1) 1(0) |

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|----------------|----|---|------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| G_t | Nt | G_d | Na | $\frac{N_t}{N_d}$ | q_e | J | J_{Min} | J _{Max} |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| m | 2 | m | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 222 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| mm2 | 4 | m mm2 | $\frac{2}{4}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 2\\ 1 \end{array}$ | 0 0 | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c}1\\0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 32 | 6 | $\frac{2}{3}$ | $\frac{2}{3}$ | $\frac{3}{2}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | 1 1 | 1 1 | 1 1 |
| 3 <i>m</i> | 6 | $m \\ 3m$ | $\frac{2}{6}$ | 3 1 | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ |
| 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| $\overline{4}$ | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 422 | 8 | $\frac{2}{4}$ | 24 | $\begin{vmatrix} 4\\ 2 \end{vmatrix}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | $\frac{2}{1}$ | 1 1 | $\begin{array}{c} 2\\ 1\end{array}$ |
| 4mm | 8 | $\frac{m}{4m}$. | $\frac{2}{8}$ | 4 | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | $ \begin{array}{c} 2\\ 0 \end{array} $ | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{vmatrix} 2\\ 0 \end{vmatrix}$ |
| $\bar{4}2m$ | 8 | 2 m mm2 | $2 \\ 2 \\ 4$ | $\begin{array}{c} 4\\ 4\\ 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | 2 2 1 | 1 1 1 | $\begin{array}{c} 2\\ 2\\ 1\end{array}$ |
| 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| $\overline{6}$ | 6 | т 3 | 2 3 | $\begin{vmatrix} 3\\2 \end{vmatrix}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\end{array}$ | $\frac{1}{1}$ | 1 1 | $\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 1\end{array}$ |
| 622 | 12 | 2 6 | 2 6 | $ \begin{array}{c} 6\\ 2 \end{array} $ | $\begin{array}{c} 2\\ 0 \end{array}$ | $\frac{3}{1}$ | 1 1 | 21 |
| 6 <i>mm</i> | 12 | т 6т | $\frac{2}{12}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 6\\ 1\end{array}$ | $ \begin{array}{c} 2\\ 0 \end{array} $ | | $\begin{array}{c}1\\0\end{array}$ | $ \begin{array}{c} 2\\ 0 \end{array} $ |
| <u>6</u> m2 | 12 | m _[1010] m _[0001] mm2 3m | 2 2 4 6 | 6 6 3 2 | $\begin{array}{c}1\\1\\1\\0\end{array}$ | 3 4 1 1 | $ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} $ | $\begin{vmatrix} 2\\2\\1\\1 \end{vmatrix}$ |

 TABLE 3. Paths for noncentrosymmetric noncubic trap symmetries;

 all special positions of point defects

that corresponding to noncentrosymmetric influences. For special positions, however, there are additional causes for equalities of numbers in and out of parenthesis while in point groups containing a $\overline{3}$ axis a difference in minimum numbers of paths is obtained when the special direction is parallel to that $\overline{3}$ -axis.

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