

Physics 861 { Fall 01

Problem set 10 - Due Thursday, Nov 29

1. The stress-strain relation in an isotropic solid can be written

$$E_{ij} = A(S_{ij} + p\delta_{ij}) + A^0 p\delta_{ij} \quad (1)$$

where $p = \frac{1}{3}(S_{11} + S_{22} + S_{33})$ is the pressure.

(a) Relate the constants A and A^0 to the bulk modulus B and shear modulus μ .

(b) Relate the constants A and A^0 to Young's modulus E and Poisson's ratio ν :

[The next questions can be answered independently of (a) and (b)]

(c) In the limit (near melting, perhaps) when an isotropic solid becomes like a liquid with bulk modulus B , what are the values of E , μ and ν ?

(d) In a cubic crystal, the Cauchy relations reduce to $C_{12} = C_{44}$. When $C_{11} = 2C_{12} = 2C_{44}$ the crystal becomes an isotropic solid. Knowing this, find the values of E , μ and ν for an isotropic solid of bulk modulus B when Cauchy's relations are satisfied.

(e) You will see from the above that a solid that obeys Cauchy's relations cannot transform continuously into a liquid. Why not?

2.

Problem 2, page 486, of Ashcroft - Mermin

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Problem 7, page 640, of Ashcroft - Mermin.

(a) Answer the questions posed by Ashcroft- Mermin.

(b) In eq. (30.36), what is the value of G for an isotropic crystal in terms of the standard elastic constants B ; E ; μ ; ν ? Try to get the simplest answer, rather than an awful combination of constants.

(c) What is the displacement u_z as a function of x and y ? Here z is the dislocation axis and $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$. Assume, again, an isotropic crystal.

(d) Assume that the dislocation is parallel to one of the axes in a cubic crystal. Recall that the equations of elastic equilibrium are, quite generally,

$$\sum_j \partial_j S_{ij} = \partial_j \sigma_j = 0 \quad (2)$$

Is u_z of the same form as in part (c), for the appropriate value of G , and how is G related to C_{11} ; C_{12} and C_{44} ?