

# INFLUENCE OF HYDROGEN ON INELASTICITY-ELASTICITY PROPERTIES OF Ti<sub>3</sub>Al ALLOY AND SiO<sub>2</sub>

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## Introduction

In the present work the results of examinations of the relaxation processes in a crystalline lattice at H, thermal and ultrasonic processing on the temperature spectrum of internal friction (IF)  $Q^{-1}$  and elastic module E (indicatory surface of inelasticity-elasticity body) Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy are presented.

For measuring of the temperature dependences of IF and elastic module E have been used the methods of fourcomposite piezoelectric oscillator on frequency  $f \approx 117$  kHz and resonance vibrations on frequency  $f \approx 1,4$  kHz during alternative deformation  $\epsilon \approx 10^{-6}$  in vacuum  $P \approx 10^{-3}$  Pa.

## Results and discussion

On Fig.1 temperature dependence of elasticity module E and IF  $Q^{-1}$  (indicatory surface of inelasticity-elasticity body) Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy is presented after mechanical treatment and hydrogen H during  $t \approx 7200$  sec.

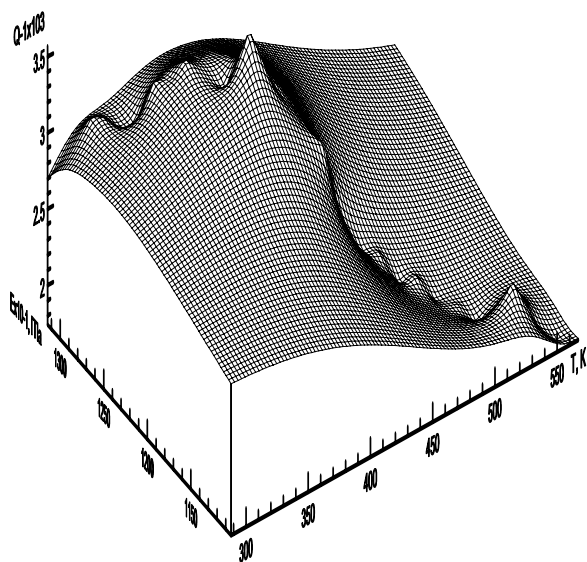


Fig.1. Temperature dependence of elasticity module E and internal friction  $Q^{-1}$  (indicatory surface of inelasticity-elasticity body) Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy after mechanical treatment and hydrogen H during  $t \approx 7200$  sec.

There was observed the maximum of IF  $Q^{-1}_{M1}$  in Ti<sub>3</sub>Al at temperature  $T_{M1} \approx 390$  K with activation energy  $H_1 = 0,77 \pm 0,1$  eV, time

relaxation constant of this maximum IF  $\tau_{01} \approx 1,9 \cdot 10^{-14}$  sec, relaxation frequency factor  $f_{01} \approx 5,3 \cdot 10^{13}$  Hz, conditioned by the relaxation mechanism caused by reorientation interstitial atoms of H-H in dumbbell configurations at the ultrasonic alternative deformation  $\epsilon$ .

On Fig.2 temperature dependence of elasticity module E and IF  $Q^{-1}$  Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy is presented after hydrogen H during  $t \approx 14400$  sec.

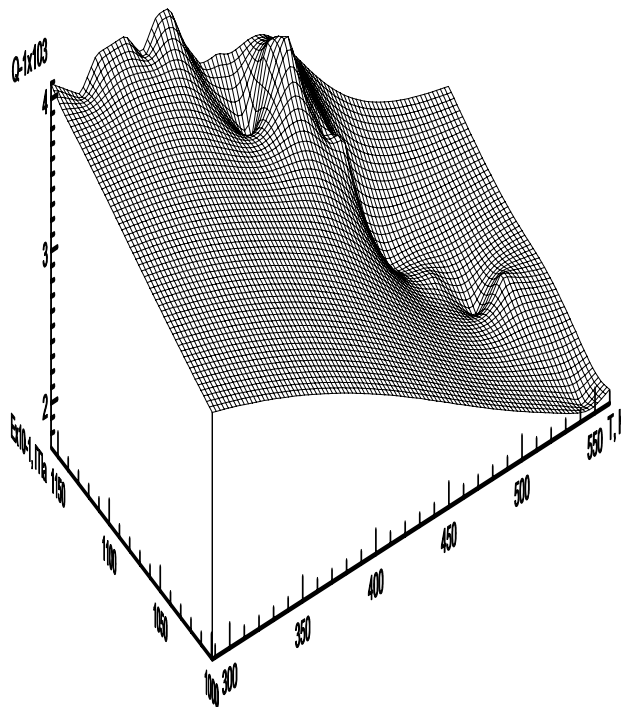


Fig.2. Temperature dependence of elasticity module E and internal friction  $Q^{-1}$  (indicatory surface of inelasticity-elasticity body) Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy after hydrogen H during  $t \approx 14400$  sec.

The IF maximum  $Q^{-1}_{M2}$  in Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy at the temperature  $T_{M2} \approx 440$  K was discovered with the value of activation energy  $H_2 = 0,85 \pm 0,1$  eV, time relaxation constant  $\tau_{02} \approx 1,8 \cdot 10^{-14}$  sec, relaxation frequency factor  $f_{02} \approx 5,5 \cdot 10^{13}$  Hz. To this IF maximum  $Q^{-1}_{M2}$  possibly conditioned the process of running the number of vacancies V in vacancy complexes under act of alternative deformation  $\epsilon$ .

The IF maximum  $Q^{-1}_{M3}$  in Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy at the temperature  $T_{M3} \approx 530$  K was discovered with the value of activation energy  $H_3 = 1,0 \pm 0,1$  eV, time

relaxation constant  $\tau_{03} \approx 3,1 \cdot 10^{-14}$  sec, relaxation frequency factor  $f_{03} \approx 3,2 \cdot 10^{13}$  Hz.

There was a high initial size of IF background  $Q^{-1}_0 \approx 8,0 \times 10^{-3}$ . Considerable high initial IF background  $Q^{-1}_0$  at the first heating comparing to the IF background  $Q^{-1}_0$  at the repeated heating testifies to the presence of the fields of stress  $\sigma_i$  in the Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy, which arise up as a result of mechanical treatment. Anomalous motion of IF background on Fig.1 and Fig.2 testifies to diminishing of values of these tensions  $\sigma_i$  in the process of heating. Annealing of structural defects bends out of shape the type of IF temperature spectrum. At annealing admixtures, vacancies moves.

For IF maximum  $Q^{-1}_M$  the condition of its existence is written down in a kind [1]:

$$\omega_M \tau_0 \exp(H/k_B T_M) = 1. \quad (1)$$

From the resulted correlation (1) swims out, that  $H = k_B T_M \ln(1/f_M \tau_0)$ . Putting  $\tau_0 = 1/f_0 = h/k_B T_M$ , get a formula for determination of activation energy H of IF maximum

$$H = k_B T_M \ln(k_B T_M / h f_M) + \Delta S, \quad (2)$$

where  $T_M$  and  $f_M$  is a temperature and frequency of IF maximum  $Q^{-1}_M$  accordingly. Entropy addition  $\Delta S$  lies within the limits of experimental error; exactness of estimation of H depends mainly on exactness of support of specimen temperature ( $2 \text{ K} \approx 2\%$ ). Use for determination of H the temperature position  $T_M$  of IF maximum and frequency of specimen vibrations  $f_M$  does not require implementation of the special terms. At imposition of relaxation processes the temperature position of  $T_M$  of every IF maximum  $Q^{-1}_M$  is easily measured, and frequency  $f_M$  is set experimentally.

The elastic module E is more sensible description of processes of physical interaction at boundaries of section, than IF. The elastic module

E has descending linear character which is explained the theory of unharmonicity of crystals taking into account quadratic members [1]. Diminishing of the elastic module E was not related to the hysteresis dislocation process, so as IF was amplitude independent. On elastic module Ti<sub>3</sub>Al alloy temperature dependence E(T) there was the relaxation of the elastic module  $\Delta E/E$  in the area of existence of IF maximum  $T_{M1} \approx 390 \text{ K}$ . There was the increasing of absolute value of the elastic module E after annealing, that testified the strengthening of alloy.

By reason of induced hydrogen H no communicative plasticity is an enhance concentration of conductivity electrons e – metallic character of atoms connections is increased hydrogen. The local increasing of concentration of conductivity electrons e in hydrogen clouds round the dislocations results in diminishing the shear module G and the tension of activating of dislocations sources  $\sigma_D$  [2]. H strengthens metallic character of atoms connections, which can not be reason of fragile destruction. Diminishing of distance between dislocations  $L_D$  in accumulations due to hydrogen H results in the increase of dislocations in its and to the increase of tension on leading dislocation  $\sigma_D$ , that is reason of the facilitated microcrack.

## Conclusions

The relaxation of elastic module  $\Delta E/E$ , looked in the same temperature interval of existence of IF maximums  $Q^{-1}_M$  testified to the relaxation process, linked with the reorientation of the vacancy - hydrogen V-H complexes under the ultrasonic variable deformation  $\epsilon$ .

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