High-pressure and high-temperature in situ X-ray diffraction experiments of (Mg,Fe)SiO₃ enstatite and ilmenite

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Introduction

MgSiO₃ ilmenite is one of the high pressure polymorphs of enstatite. However, its equation of state (EOS) at high-pressure and high-temperature has not been obtained. These experiments were carried out to obtain the EOS of MgSiO₃ ilmenite from in situ X-ray diffraction data at high-pressure and high-temperature.

In situ X-ray diffraction experiments

In situ X-ray diffraction experiments at high-pressure and high-temperature were performed by the SPEED-1500 system at SPring-8. Synthetic MgSiO₃ clinoenstatite as a starting material and NaCl as a pressure marker were enclosed in a BN sleeve. The incident synchrotron X-ray beam was directed to the sample through the anvil gap via 50 µm horizontal slit and 300 µm vertical slit.

Equation of state of MgSiO₃ ilmenite

The high temperature EOS for MgSiO₃

ilmenite was derived by fitting the obtained pressure-volume-temperature data to the high temperature form of the third order Birch-Murnaghan EOS which is given by the following expression:

$$P = \frac{3}{2}K_{T,0}[(V_{T,0}/V)^{7/3} - (V_{T,0}/V)^{5/3}]\{1 - \frac{3}{4}(4 - K_{T,0})[(V_{T,0}/V)^{2/3} - 1]\}$$
(1)

where $K_{T,0}$, $K_{T,0}$, $V_{T,0}$ are the isothermal bulk modulus, its pressure derivative, and the unit cell volume at temperature T and ambient pressure, respectively. $K_{T,0}$, $K_{T,0}$ and $V_{T,0}$ were assumed as follows:

$$K_{T,O} = K_{300,0} + (\partial K_{T,O} / \partial T)_p (T-300)$$
 (2)

$$K_{T,0}' = K_{300,0}'$$
 (3)

$$V_{T,0} = V_{300,0} \exp[\langle \alpha_{T,0} dT \rangle]$$
 (4)

where $\alpha_{T,0}$ is the thermal expansion coefficient at T and ambient pressure. In this study, we used the following linear expression for $\alpha_{T,0}$:

$$\alpha_{T,0} = a_0 + a_1 T \tag{5}$$

Determined parameters are $K_{300,0}'=1.87(5)$, $a_0=2.12\times10^{-5}K^{-1}$, $a_1=1.07(53)\times10^{-8}K^{-2}$ and $(\partial K_{T,0}/\partial T)_p=-0.019(4)GPa/K$ under the constraints of $K_{300,0}=212GPa$ and $\alpha_{300,0}=2.44\times10^{-5}\,K^{-1}$.

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