## Table of Contents

Acronyms									
Abstract									
Zι	Zusammenfassung								
Preface									
1	Introduction to theory and experimental methods								
	1.1	Crysta	als, symmetry and order	1					
	1.2	Lattic	e, basis and reciprocal space	2					
	1.3	Surfac	ce reconstructions	5					
		1.3.1	Park & Madden's notation	5					
		1.3.2	Wood's notation	6					
	1.4	Kinen	natic theory of diffraction at	7					
		1.4.1	Single scatterers	8					
		1.4.2	Undistorted lattices	9					
		1.4.3	Distorted lattices - Debye-Waller effect	13					
		1.4.4	Surfaces	16					
	1.5	Surfac	e electron diffraction techniques	17					
		1.5.1	Low-energy electron diffraction (LEED)	18					
		1.5.2	Spot profile analysis LEED (SPA-LEED)	21					
	1.6 Electrons in lattices								
		1.6.1	Free electrons	23					
		1.6.2	Bloch's theorem	24					
		1.6.3	Nearly free electrons (NFE)	26					
		1.6.4	Distorted chains or Peierls distortion	28					
	1.7	Phase	-transitions	29					
		1.7.1	Lev Landau's approach to phase-transitions	29					
		1.7.2	Influence of impurities on phase-transitions	33					
		1.7.3	Order-disorder transitions	33					
		1.7.4	Peierls transitions & charge density waves (CDW)	33					
<b>2</b>	Exp	Experimental setup & studied system 37							
	2.1	The N	IBE chamber	37					

Vii Dieses Werk ist copyrightgeschützt und darf in keiner Form vervielfältigt werden noch an Dritte weitergegeben werden. Es gilt nur für den persönlichen Gebrauch.

	2.2	Vacuum generation	39				
	2.3	Indium evaporator	39				
	2.4	Gas inlet system	40				
	2.5	Silicon	43				
		2.5.1 The Si(111) surface $\ldots$	43				
	2.6	Indium	46				
	2.7	Indium on $Si(111)$	47				
		2.7.1 $(4\times1)$ high-temperature phase	48				
		2.7.2 (8×2) low-temperature phase	50				
		2.7.3 $(4\times1)\leftrightarrow(8\times2)$ phase transition	50				
3	On the striped Si(111)( $8 \times 2$ )-In reconstruction 53						
	3.1	Binary surfaces	53				
	3.2	Random number generation	54				
	3.3	Twofold correlation	55				
4	Simulating , A falling row of dominoes' 59						
	4.1	The uncorrelated seeding expansion	60				
	4.2	The correlated seeding expansion	61				
	4.3	Conclusions	64				
<b>5</b>	On the $(4 \times 1) \leftrightarrow (8 \times 2)$ phase-transition I:						
	5 1	Sample propagation	67				
	5.9	Massurements and data processing	60				
	J.2 5-3	The $(4 \times 1) \times (8 \times 2)$ phase transition	09 71				
	0.0	5.2.1  Driving of the phase transition consecutively	74				
	5.4	5.5.1 Driving of the phase-transition consecutively	74				
	0.4	Effect of artefact: That is the question:	70 76				
		5.4.1 Descriptive functions	70				
		5.4.2 Influence of rate of temperature change	(0				
	<b>- -</b>	5.4.5 Influence of the age of the indium reconstruction $\dots \dots \dots \dots$	01				
	0.0	Profiling the $(4 \times 1) \leftrightarrow (8 \times 2)$ transition	00				
	F C	or putting the SPA in front of the LEED	82 86				
	0.6	I nermal equilibration and driven phase-transitions	80				
6	On	the $(4 \times 1) \leftrightarrow (8 \times 2)$ phase-transition II:					
	Age	ing by controlled adsorption	91				
	6.1	Measurements	92				
		6.1.1 Ar adsorption	92				
		6.1.2 $O_2$ adsorption	93				
		6.1.3 $H_2O$ adsorption	95				
	6.2	Influence of adsorption	95				
7	On the $(4 \times 1) \leftrightarrow (8 \times 2)$ phase transition III:						
	Rou	igh silicon substrate	99				
	7.1	Influence of rough silicon substrates	99				

TABLE OF CONTENTS	ix
8 Summary & Conclusions	103
Outlook	104
Bibliography	118