

FYS3410 - Vår 2010 (Kondenserte fasers fysikk)

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Based on Introduction to Solid State Physics by Kittel

Course content

- Periodic structures, understanding of diffraction experiment and reciprocal lattice
- Crystal binding, elastic strain and waves
- Imperfections in crystals: point defects and diffusion
- **Crystal vibrations: phonon heat capacity and thermal conductivity**
- **Free electron Fermi gas: density of states, Fermi level, and electrical conductivity**
- Electrons in periodic potential: energy bands theory classification of metals, semiconductors and insulators
- Semiconductors: band gap, effective masses, charge carrier distributions, doping, pn-junctions
- Metals: Fermi surfaces, temperature dependence of electrical conductivity

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FYS3410 lecture schedule and exams: Spring 2010

M/18/1/2010:	Introduction and motivation. Periodicity and lattices	2h
W/20/1/2010:	Index system for crystal planes. Crystal structures	1h
M/25/1/2010:	Reciprocal space, Laue condition and Ewald construction	2h
W/27/1/2010:	Brillouin Zones. Interpretation of a diffraction experiment	1h
M/01/2/2010:	Crystal binding, elastic strain and waves	2h
W/03/2/2010:	Elastic waves in cubic crystals; defects in crystals	1h
M/08/2/2010:	Defects in crystals; case study - vacancies	2h
W/10/2/2010:	Diffusion	1h
M/15/2/2010:	Crystal vibrations and phonons	2h
W/17/2/2010:	Crystal vibrations and phonons	1h
M/22/2/2010:	Planck distribution and density of states	2h
W/24/2/2010:	Debye model	1h
M/01/3/2010:	Einstein model and general result for density of states	2h
W/03/3/2010:	Thermal conductivity	1h
M/08/3/2010:	Free electron Fermi gas in 1D and 3D – ground state	2h
W/10/3/2010:	Density of states, effect of temperature – FD distribution	1h
M/15/3/2010:	Heat capacity of FEFG	2h
W/17/3/2010:	Repetition	1h
22/3/2010:	Mid-term exam	

M/14/4/2010:	Electrical and thermal conductivity in metals	2h
W/12/4/2010:	Bragg reflection of electron waves at the boundary of BZ	1h
M/19/4/2010:	Energy bands, Kronig - Penny model	2h
W/21/4/2010:	Empty lattice approximation; number of orbitals in a band	1h
M/26/4/2010:	Semiconductors, effective mass method, intrinsic carriers	2h
W/28/4/2010:	Impurity states in semiconductors and carrier statistics	1h
M/03/5/2010:	p-n junctions and heterojunctions	2h
W/05/5/2010:	surface structure, surface states, Schottky contacts	2h
M/10/5/2010:	no lectures	
W/12/5/2010:	no lectures	
W/19/5/2010:	Repetition	2h
W/26/5/2010:	Repetition	2h
27-28/5/2010:	Final Exam (sensor: Prof. Arne Nylandsted Larsen at the Aarhus University, Denmark, http://person.au.dk/en/anl@phys.au.dk)	

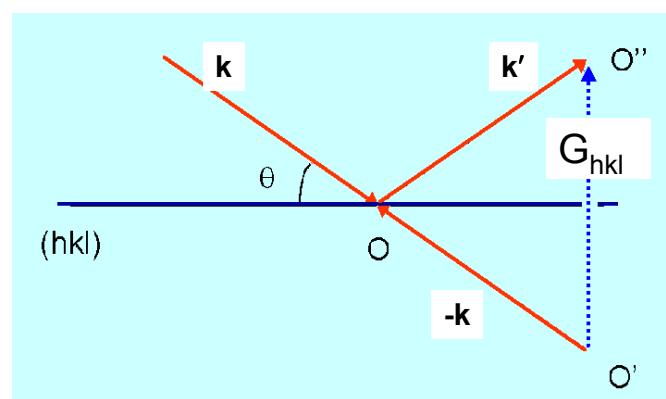
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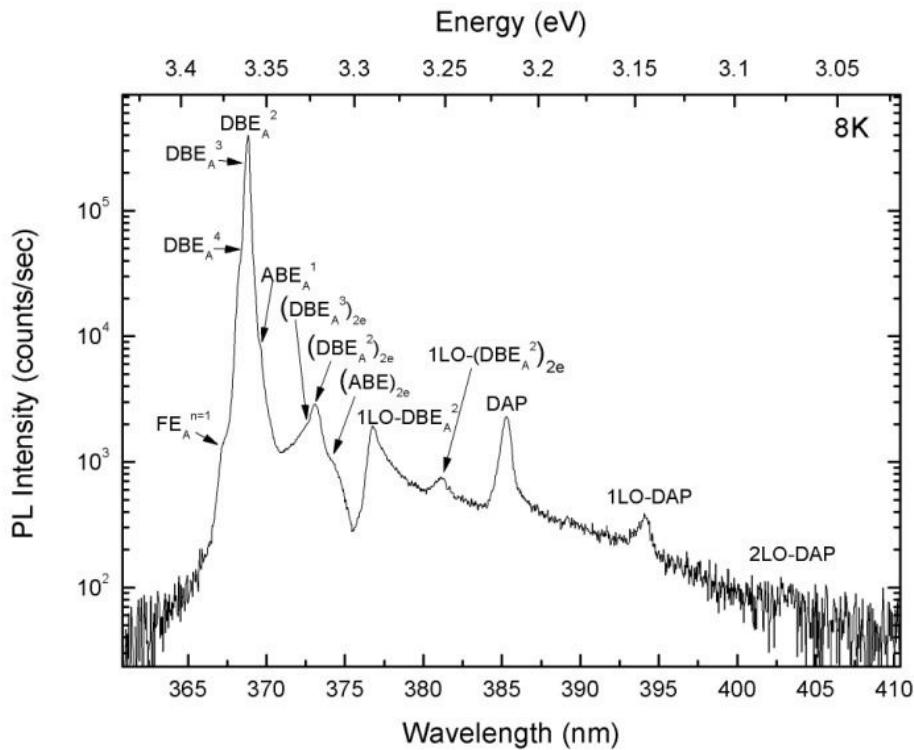
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Diffraction



$$\mathbf{k}' \pm \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}$$

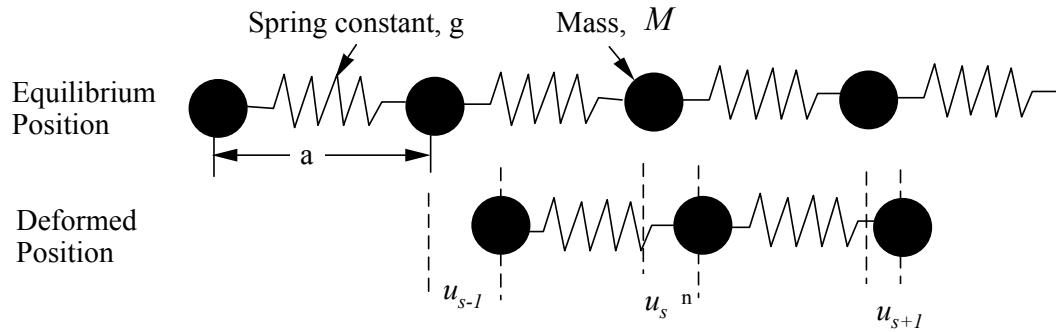
Photoluminescence



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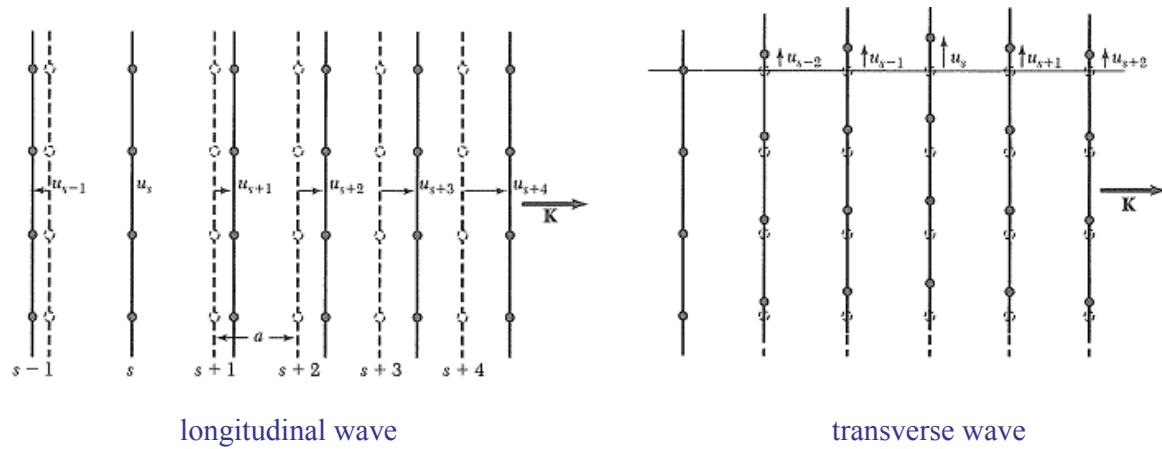
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Vibrations of crystals with monatomic basis



u_s : displacement of the s^{th} atom from its equilibrium position

Propagation along high symmetry directions \rightarrow 1-D problem
E.g. , [100], [110], [111] in sc lattice.



Entire plane of atoms moving in phase \rightarrow 1-D problem

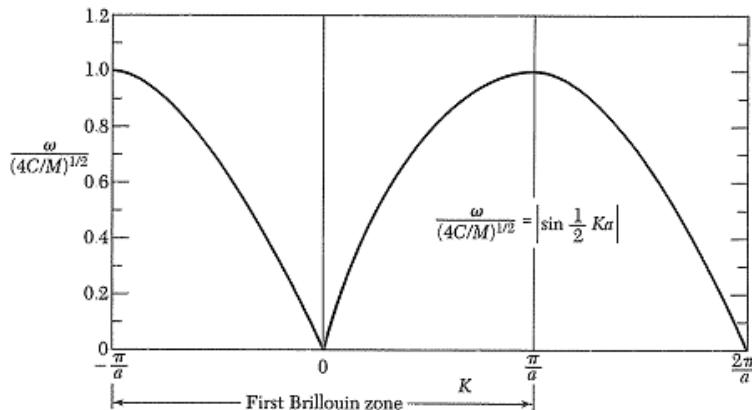
Force on s^{th} plane = $F_s = -C(u_s - u_{s+1}) - C(u_s - u_{s-1})$ (only neighboring planes interact)

$$\text{Equation of motion: } M \frac{d^2 u_s}{dt^2} = C(u_{s+1} + u_{s-1} - 2u_s)$$

$$u_s(t) = u_s e^{-i\omega t} \quad \rightarrow \quad -M\omega^2 u_s = C(u_{s+1} + u_{s-1} - 2u_s)$$

$$u_s = u_0 e^{iKas} \quad \rightarrow \quad -M\omega^2 = C(e^{iKa} + e^{-iKa} - 2)$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{2C}{M}(1 - \cos Ka)$$



Dispersion relation

$$\omega^2 = \frac{4C}{M} \sin^2 \frac{1}{2} Ka$$

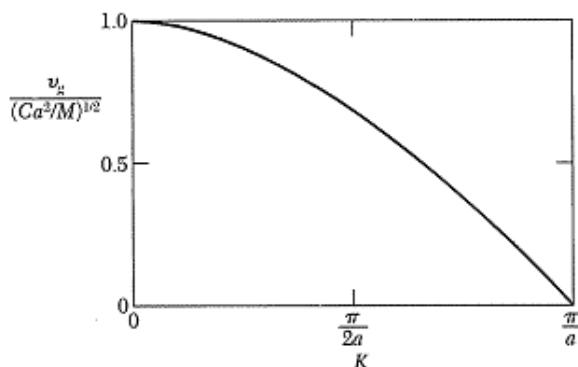
$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{4C}{M}} \left| \sin \frac{1}{2} Ka \right|$$

Group Velocity

Group velocity: $\mathbf{v}_g = \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \omega$

$$1\text{-D: } v_g = \left| \frac{d\omega}{dK} \right| = \sqrt{\frac{Ca^2}{M}} \left| \cos \frac{1}{2} Ka \right| \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{4C}{M}} \left| \sin \frac{1}{2} Ka \right|$$

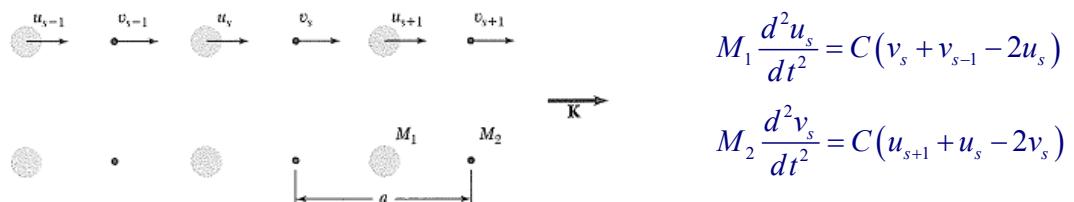
$v_g = 0$ at zone boundaries



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Two Atoms per Primitive Basis



$$u_s = ue^{isKa-i\omega t}$$

$$v_s = ve^{isKa-i\omega t}$$

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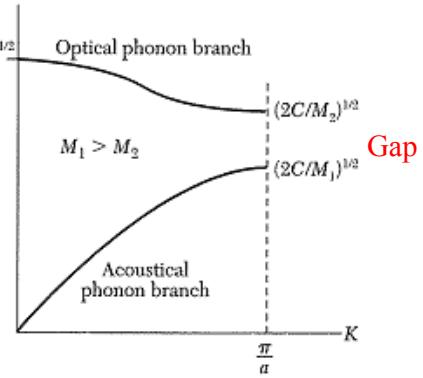
$$-M_1\omega^2 u = Cv(1+e^{-iKa}) - 2Cu$$

$$-M_2\omega^2 v = Cu(1+e^{iKa}) - 2Cv$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2C - M_1\omega^2 & -C(1+e^{-iKa}) \\ -C(1+e^{iKa}) & 2C - M_2\omega^2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad = M_1 M_2 \omega^4 - 2C(M_1 + M_2)\omega^2 + 2C^2(1 - \cos Ka)$$

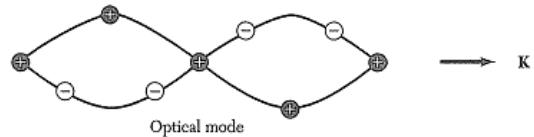
$$M_1 M_2 \omega^4 - 2C(M_1 + M_2) \omega^2 + 2C^2(1 - \cos Ka) = 0$$

$$Ka \rightarrow 0: \quad \omega^2 \square \begin{cases} 2C\left(\frac{1}{M_1} + \frac{1}{M_2}\right) & \text{optical} \\ \frac{C}{2(M_1 + M_2)} K^2 a^2 & \text{acoustical} \end{cases}$$



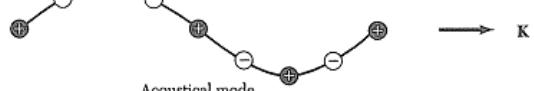
$$Ka \rightarrow \pi: \quad (M_1 > M_2) \quad \omega^2 \square \begin{cases} \sqrt{2C/M_2} & \text{optical} \\ \sqrt{2C/M_1} & \text{acoustical} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2C - M_1 \omega^2 & -C(1 + e^{-iKa}) \\ -C(1 + e^{iKa}) & 2C - M_2 \omega^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = 0$$



Transverse case:

$$\text{TO branch, } Ka \rightarrow 0: \quad \frac{u}{v} = -\frac{M_2}{M_1}$$



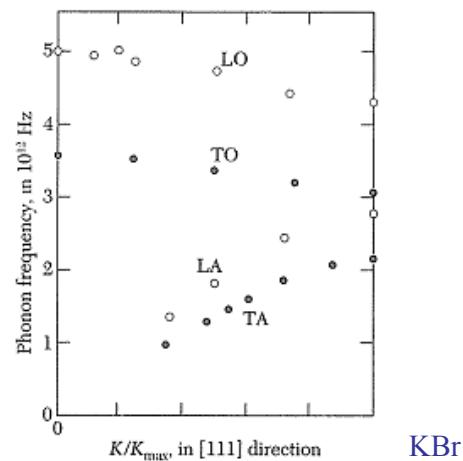
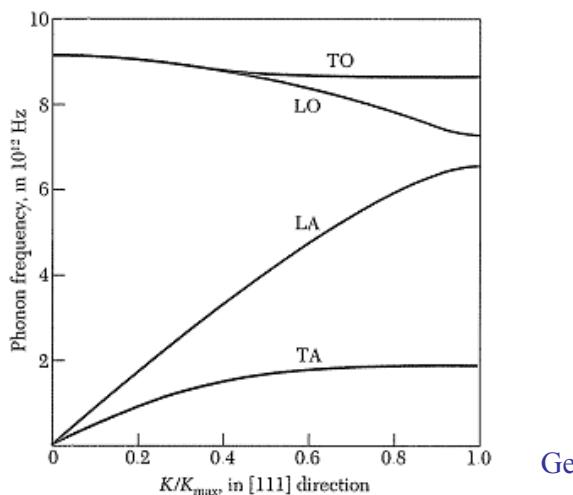
$$\text{TA branch, } Ka \rightarrow 0: \quad \frac{u}{v} = 1$$

p atoms in primitive cell $\rightarrow d p$ branches of dispersion.

$d = 3 \rightarrow 3$ acoustical : 1 LA + 2 TA

$(3p - 3)$ optical: $(p-1)$ LO + $2(p-1)$ TO

E.g., Ge or KBr: $p = 2 \rightarrow 1$ LA + 2 TA + 1 LO + 2 TO branches



Number of allowed K in 1st BZ = N



Quantization of Elastic Waves

Quantization of harmonic oscillator of angular frequency $\omega \rightarrow \varepsilon_n = \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \hbar \omega$

Classical standing wave: $u(x,t) = u_0 \sin kx \cos \omega t$ $kL = \pi n$

$$K.E.\text{ density} = \frac{1}{2} \rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega^2 u_0^2 \sin^2 kx \sin^2 \omega t$$

$$\langle K.E. \rangle = L^2 \int_0^L dx \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} dt K.E.\text{ density} = \frac{1}{8} \rho \omega^2 u_0^2 V \quad V = L^3$$

Virial theorem: For a power-law potential $V \sim x^p$ $2\langle K.E. \rangle = p\langle P.E. \rangle$

For a harmonic oscillator, $p = 2$, $\langle K.E. \rangle = \langle P.E. \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_n = \frac{1}{8} \rho \omega^2 u_0^2 V$

$$u_0^2 = \frac{4\hbar}{\rho V \omega} \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Phonon Momentum

Phonon DOFs involve relative coordinates

→ phonons do not carry physical linear momenta (except for $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{G}$ modes)

Proof:
See 7th ed.

Reminder: $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{G} \rightarrow \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{0}$ when restricted to 1st BZ .

Scattering of a phonon with other particles behaves as if it has momentum $\eta \mathbf{K}$

E.g., elastic scattering of X-ray: $\mathbf{k}' = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}$ \mathbf{G} = reciprocal lattice vector

(whole crystal recoil with momentum $\eta \mathbf{G}$ / Bragg reflection)

Inelastic scattering with a phonon created: $\mathbf{k}' + \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}$

Normal Process: $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{0}$.
Umklapp Process: $\mathbf{G} \neq \mathbf{0}$.

Inelastic scattering with a phonon absorbed: $\mathbf{k}' = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{K}$

Inelastic Scattering by Phonons

Neutron scattering:

Conservation of momentum:

$$\mathbf{k}' \pm \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}$$

Conservation of energy:

$$\frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2M_n} = \frac{\hbar^2 k'^2}{2M_n} \pm \hbar\omega$$

