

3.1 The modeling constant  $\alpha$  for a linear chain is derived in the book p. 64.  $\alpha = 2 \ln 2$   
 Assuming  $N \gg 1$ , we get

a)  $V_{tot} = N \left( \frac{2A}{R} - \frac{\alpha K q^2}{R} \right)$   $K$  is a Coulomb constant

$\frac{\partial V}{\partial R} \propto -\frac{2A}{R^2} + \frac{\alpha K q^2}{R^2}$  w/ minima, then this chain can not be stable.

b)  $\frac{\partial V}{\partial R} \propto -\frac{4A}{R^2} + \frac{\alpha K q^2}{R^2} = 0 \rightarrow R_0 = \frac{4A}{\alpha K q^2}$

If compressed to  $R = \frac{R_0}{2}$

$V_{tot} = N \left( \frac{2A}{(\frac{R_0}{2})^2} - \frac{\alpha K q^2}{\frac{R_0}{2}} \right) = -\frac{N K^2 q^4}{A} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) = 0$

3.2 Young's modulus is defined in shear strain

$\rightarrow E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} = \frac{F/A_0}{\Delta L/L_0} = \frac{F L_0}{A_0 \Delta L}$



Poisson ratio

$\nu = \frac{\epsilon_{\perp}}{\epsilon_{\parallel}} = \frac{\Delta w/w_0}{\Delta L/L_0}$

$$\text{Free energy } G = U - TS + PV$$

Assume crystal with  $N+n$  lattice points  
where  $n = \#$  vacancies,  $N = \#$  atoms.

$$V = (N+n)V_0 \quad \text{where } V_0 \text{ is the volume per each lattice point}$$

Configurational entropy:  $W = \#$  configurations  
distinct states.

Place  $n$  vacancies in a  $N+n$  lattice (order does not matter)

$$W = \binom{N+n}{n} = \frac{(N+n)!}{n!N!}$$

using  $\ln X! = X \ln X - X$

$$\rightarrow S = k_B \ln W = k_B \ln \frac{(N+n)!}{n!N!} = k_B (\ln(N+n)! - \ln n! - \ln N!)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial S}{\partial n} = k_B \left( \ln(N+n) - \ln n - \ln N \right) = k_B (\ln(N+n) - \ln n - \ln N)$$

$$\text{Equilibrium at } \frac{\partial G}{\partial n} = 0$$

$$k_B \ln(N+n) = k_B \ln n + k_B \ln N \quad \text{for } N \gg n$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial G}{\partial n} = F_V - k_B T \ln \left( \frac{N}{n} \right) + P V_0 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow n = N e^{-\frac{F_V + P V_0}{k_B T}}$$

3.4 Apply the derived formula.