

Notes:

Exam: You can make up some points:

1. Choose 2 problems; blank exam is posted.
2. Work out the solutions from scratch on your own.
3. Turn in the problems by Thursday in class or Friday afternoon 3:30-4 PM; I will arrange to be at my office or you can email if necessary. Not in my mailbox
4. You will get 60% of the made-up points back.

Reading: This week we continue with chapter 16 (continuum systems densities of states; Debye model for vibrations). Next up, phase transformations (chapters 8-9).

Density of states: for summations involving only ω (or E).

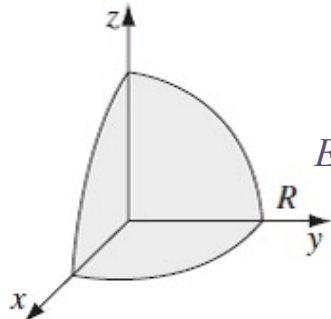
$$U = \sum_{\text{all modes}} \frac{\hbar\omega_i}{(e^{\beta\hbar\omega_i} - 1)} \Rightarrow \overset{\text{phonons}}{3} \int_0^\infty \left(\begin{array}{l} \#k \text{ states} \\ \text{in } (\omega, \omega + d\omega) \end{array} \right) \times \frac{\hbar\omega}{(e^{\beta\hbar\omega} - 1)}$$
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 - This includes polarizations.
 - Anisotropic situations: replace sphere by constant- ω surface
- 2) Convert to ω units: $N(\omega)$.
- 3) $D(\omega)$ is the derivative, $D(\omega) = dN(\omega)/d\omega$, equal to total # modes in $(\omega, \omega + d\omega)$. ↙ Density of states definition (similar procedure for $D(E)$).

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State counting:

cavity modes in a cubic box, dimensions L :

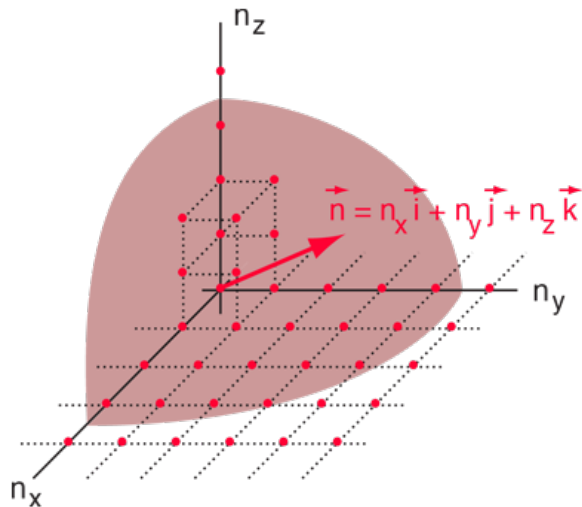


$$E_x \propto \cos\left(n_x \frac{\pi}{L} x\right) \sin\left(n_y \frac{\pi}{L} y\right) \sin\left(n_z \frac{\pi}{L} z\right) \text{ etc.}$$

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One k -vector per volume element;
same as “Phase space volume” $h^3/8$

Octant of sphere;
but with $8\times$ state density of
traveling-wave momentum space.



Text: abstract space has integer dimensions.

Similar counting procedure in chapter 15,
hyperspace consideration of multiplicities.

My wavevector-space notation: same n_x, n_y, n_z , multiplied by $\frac{\pi}{L}$ (or $\frac{2\pi}{L}$), otherwise the counting is the same.

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Result for phonons in isotropic solid:

$$D(\omega) = \frac{3\omega^2 V}{2\pi^2 c^3}$$

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Phonons:

$$Z = \prod_{\text{all modes}} Z_i = \prod_{\text{all modes}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-\beta n \hbar \omega_i} = \prod_{\text{all modes}} \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\beta \hbar \omega_i}}$$

(not same as all atoms; factor of 3 here)

(Z_i we saw last time)

$$\langle U \rangle = \sum_{\text{all modes}} \frac{\hbar \omega_i}{(e^{\beta \hbar \omega_i} - 1)}$$

Phonons:

$$\langle U \rangle = \sum_{\text{all modes}} \frac{\hbar\omega_i}{(e^{\beta\hbar\omega_i} - 1)} \xRightarrow{\text{continuum limit}} \int_0^{\omega_{\text{max}}} \frac{\hbar\omega D(\omega) d\omega}{(e^{\beta\hbar\omega} - 1)} = \int_0^{\omega_D} \frac{3V\hbar\omega^3 d\omega}{2\pi^2 c^3 (e^{\beta\hbar\omega} - 1)}$$