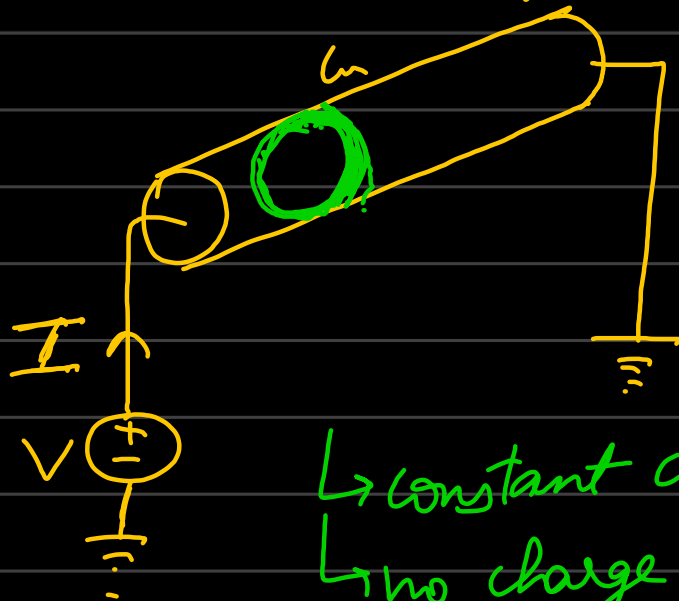


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Electrical, Magnetic, Optical Properties of Materials.

Electrical Properties:



→ constant current in bar
→ no charge accumulation

$$I = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t}$$

$$J = \frac{\Delta q}{A \Delta t} \quad \text{current density}$$

→ Uniform electric field around conductor

$$E = \frac{V}{L}$$

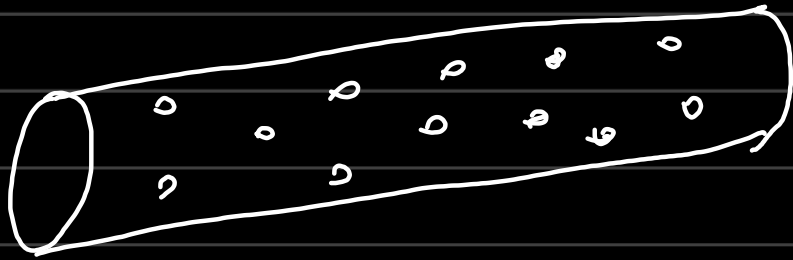
→ linear gradient of potential V exists across conductor.

→ $V = RI$ { Ohm's Law }

$R = \frac{\rho l}{A}$ { $\rho = \text{resistivity}$ }

→ ρ depends on temperature, AC frequency of excitation (T) (ω)

→ fluid like flow of electrons



→ $U \Rightarrow$ Thermal Energy (T)

Kinetic Energy (KE) = $\frac{3}{2} k_B T$ { 3 dof }

{ $\frac{1}{2} kT$ per dof }

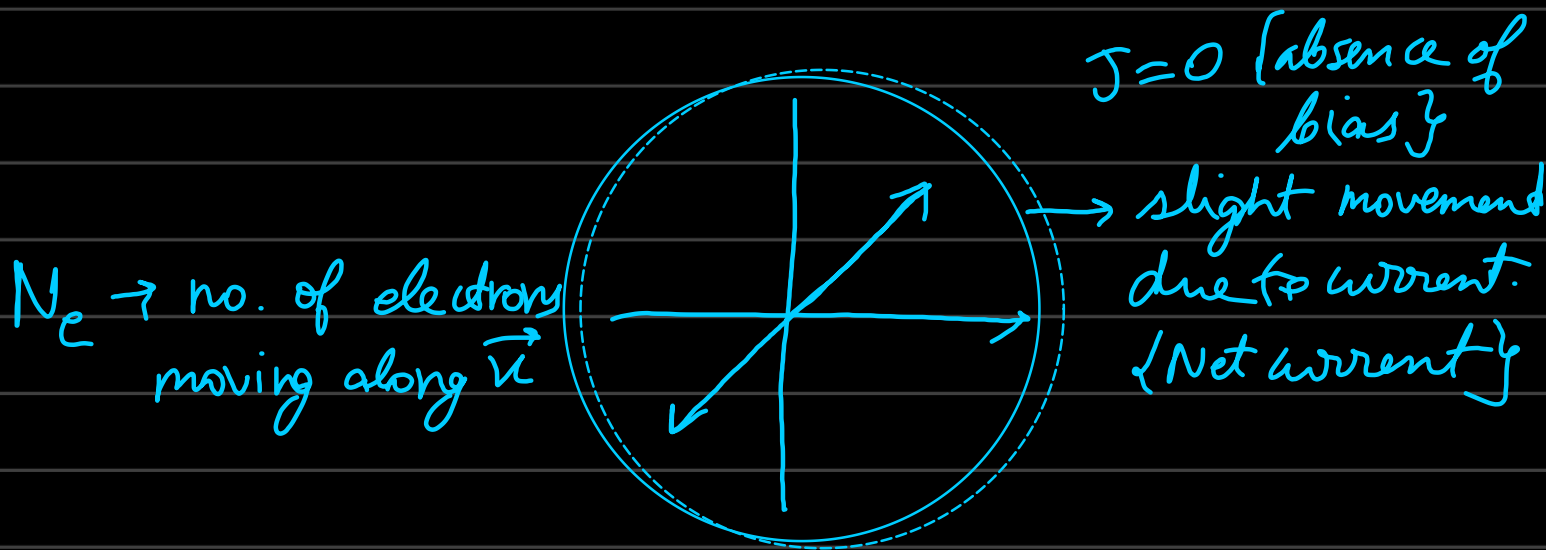
$$\frac{1}{2} m_e v_d^2 = \frac{3}{2} k_B T$$

$$v_d = \sqrt{\frac{3 k_B T}{m_e}} \text{ m/s}$$

→ Considering $T = 300 \text{ K}$ $m_e = 9.31 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
 $k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}$

$v_d \approx 10^5 \text{ cm/s}$

→ net current $J=0$ in absence of bias.

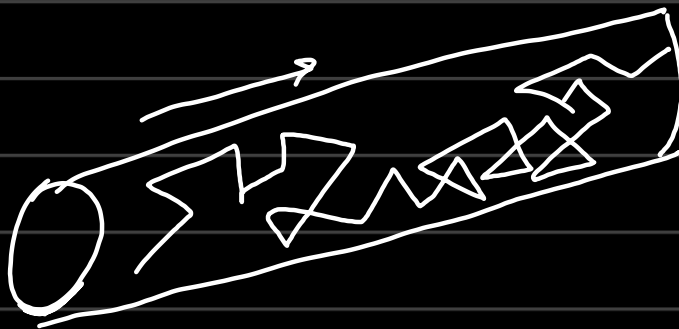


$V_d \rightarrow$ velocity of electrons along x .

$$V_d = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \Rightarrow \Delta x = V_d \Delta t$$

$$J = \frac{\Delta q}{A \Delta t} = \frac{e N_e V_d \Delta t \cdot A}{A \Delta t} = N_e e V_d$$

$$J = N_e \cdot e \cdot V_d$$



→ not rectilinear propagation of electron
→ Scatters at positive ion cores

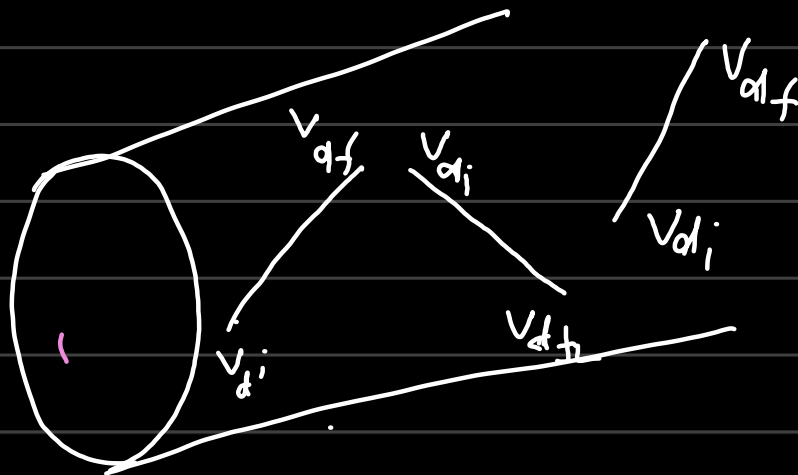
$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{eE}{m} - \underbrace{\frac{V_d}{\tau}}_{\text{relaxation time.}}$$

↳ additional component to account for scattering.

↳ acceleration and deceleration work simultaneously to steady state net flow of electrons.

↳ electron accelerates from v_{di} to v_{df} until it gets scattered.

↳ duration of this motion \Rightarrow relaxation time (τ)



τ :
probability
to scatter

↓
turns out to be
the mean time to
scatter.

$$\text{effective velocity} = \langle v_{df} \rangle$$

$$\text{effective lifetime} = \langle \tau \rangle$$

$$\langle v_{df} \rangle = \frac{eE}{m} \langle \tau \rangle$$

$$J = e \cdot N_e \cdot \frac{eE}{m} \langle \tau \rangle = \sigma E$$

$$\sigma = \frac{N_e e^2 \langle \tau \rangle}{m}$$

$$a = \frac{eE}{m} ; \langle \tau \rangle \text{ effective time}$$

$$\langle v_d \rangle = \frac{eE}{m} \langle \tau \rangle$$

$$J = N_e \cdot e \langle v_d \rangle = \frac{N_e \cdot e^2 \langle \tau \rangle}{m} E$$

$$J = \sigma E \quad [\text{Ohm's Law}]$$

$$\sigma = \underbrace{(N_e e)}_{\text{no. of electrons}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{e \langle \tau \rangle}{m} \right)}_{\text{electron mobility}}$$

Conductivity

mobility: how free it is to move.

$$\langle v_d \rangle = \mu E = \frac{eE \langle \tau \rangle}{m}$$

↳ Classical Transport of Metals.

In a Nutshell:

$$J = \frac{\Delta x}{A \Delta t} = N_e e \langle v_d \rangle$$

\hookrightarrow drift velocity

$$\langle v_d \rangle = \frac{e E \langle \tau \rangle}{m}$$

\hookrightarrow relaxation time.
 \hookrightarrow probability to scatter.

$$\langle v_d \rangle = \mu E$$

\hookrightarrow mobility of electron

$$\mu = \frac{e \langle \tau \rangle}{m}$$

$N_e e$
 \downarrow
no. of electrons.

$$J = \frac{N_e e^2 \langle \tau \rangle}{m} E = \sigma E$$

\downarrow
conductivity

$$\sigma = \frac{N_e e^2 \langle \tau \rangle}{m}$$

$$= (N_e e) \left(\frac{e \langle \tau \rangle}{m} \right)$$

\hookrightarrow mobility (μ)