

第 1 题 ((15.1) ‡Nearly Free Electron Model) 得分：_____. Consider an electron in a weak periodic potential in one dimension $V(x) = V(x + a)$. Write the periodic potential as

$$V(x) = \sum_G e^{iGx} V_G$$

where the sum is over the reciprocal lattice $G = 2\pi n/a$, and $V_G^* = V_{-G}$ assure that the potential $V(x)$ is real.

- (a) Explain why for k near to a Brillouin zone boundary (such as k near π/a) the electron wave-function should be taken to be

$$\psi = Ae^{ikx} + Be^{i(k+G)x} \quad (15.14)$$

where G is a reciprocal lattice vector such that $|k|$ is close to $|k + G|$.

- (b) For an electron of mass m with k exactly at a zone boundary, use the above form of the wavefunction to show that the eigenenergies at this wavevector are

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + V_0 \pm |V_G|$$

where G is chosen so $|k| = |k + G|$.

- ▷ Give a qualitative explanation of why these two states are separated in energy by $2|V_G|$.
 - ▷ Give a sketch (don't do a full calculation) of the energy as a function of k in both the extended and the reduced zone schemes.
- (c) * Now consider k close to, but not exactly at, the zone boundary. Give an expression for the energy $E(k)$ correct to order $(\delta k)^2$ where δk is the wavevector difference from k to the zone boundary wavevector.
- ▷ Calculate the effective mass of electron at this wavevector.

解: (a) 因为在布里渊区边界处，波矢为 k 的电子和波矢为 $k + G$ 的电子具有相近的能量，所以当使用微扰理论时，能量的二阶修正项的分母趋于0，此时必须采用简并微扰理论。在由 $|k\rangle$ 和 $|k + G\rangle$ 组成的子希尔伯特空间中，求解哈密顿矩阵

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} E_0 & V_G \\ V_G^* & E_0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

的本征函数，就会得到其本征函数是两个波函数 $|k\rangle = e^{ikx}$ ， $|k + G\rangle = e^{i(k+G)x}$ 的线性组合。

- (b) ▷ 定性的解释：在布里渊区边界处，状态 $|k\rangle$ 和 $|k + G\rangle$ 简并，周期性势场作为一种微扰存在，将这两个能级的简并去除了。
- 定量的解释：本征态的能量可通过求解哈密顿的本征值得到。在布里渊区边界处，电子的哈密顿矩阵的各个矩阵元为

$$\langle k|H|k\rangle = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + V_0, \quad (2)$$

$$\langle k + G|H|k + G\rangle = \frac{\hbar^2 (k + G)^2}{2m} + V_0, \quad (3)$$

$$\langle k|H|k + G\rangle = V_G, \quad (4)$$

$$\langle k + G|H|k\rangle = V_G^*. \quad (5)$$

因此哈密顿矩阵为

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + V_0 & V_G \\ V_G^* & \frac{\hbar^2 (k+G)^2}{2m} + V_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(-\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + V_0 & V_G \\ V_G^* & \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6)$$

哈密顿矩阵的特征方程为

$$|H - EI| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(-\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + V_0 - E & V_G \\ V_G^* & \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + V_0 - E \end{vmatrix} \\ = E^2 - 2 \left[\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(-\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + V_0 \right] E + \left[\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + V_0 \right]^2 - |V_G|^2 = 0. \quad (7)$$

解得哈密顿矩阵的本征值即为

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + V_0 \pm |V_G|. \quad (8)$$

▷ 简约布里渊区和拓展布里渊区的色散关系如图1.

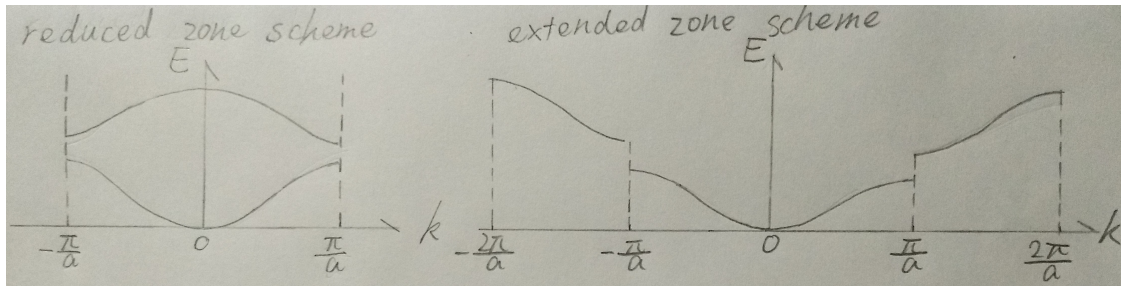


图 1: 简约布里渊区和拓展布里渊区的色散关系.

(c) 当波矢 k 与布里渊区边界相差 δk , 哈密顿矩阵为

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + V_0 & V_G \\ V_G^* & \frac{\hbar^2 (k+G)^2}{2m} + V_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(-\frac{\pi}{a} + \delta k\right)^2 + V_0 & V_G \\ V_G^* & \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a} + \delta k\right)^2 + V_0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (9)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \left\{ E - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[\left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + (\delta k)^2 \right] - V_0 \right\}^2 = \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 2 \frac{\pi}{a} \delta k \right)^2 + |V_G|^2. \quad (11)$$

解得本征能量为

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[\left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + (\delta k)^2 \right] + V_0 \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 2 \frac{\pi}{a} \delta k \right)^2 + |V_G|^2}. \quad (12)$$

将上式做级数展开并保留到二阶项得

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[\left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + (\delta k)^2 \right] + V_0 \pm |V_G| \left[1 \pm 2 \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\pi}{a} \delta k \right)^2 \right] \\ = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 + V_0 \pm |V_G|^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (\delta k)^2 \left[1 \pm \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 \frac{1}{|V_G|} \right]. \quad (13)$$

▷ 电子的有效质量为

$$m^* = \frac{\hbar^2 (\delta k)^2}{2E(\delta k)} = \frac{\hbar^2 (\delta k)^2}{2 \left\{ \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (\delta k)^2 \left[1 \pm \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 \frac{1}{|V_G|} \right] \right\}} = m \left[1 \pm \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 \frac{1}{|V_G|} \right].$$

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第 2 题 ((15.2) Periodic Functions) 得分: _____. Consider a lattice of points $\{\mathbf{R}\}$ and a function $\rho(\mathbf{x})$ which has the periodicity of the lattice $\rho(\mathbf{x}) = \rho(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{R})$. Show that ρ can be written as

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{G}} \rho_{\mathbf{G}} e^{i\mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{x}}$$

where the sum is over points \mathbf{G} in the reciprocal lattice.

解: 由函数 $\rho(\mathbf{x})$ 的周期性, 有

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} \rho(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{R}). \quad (14)$$

对 $\rho(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{R})$ 做傅里叶变换得

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{V}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \rho_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{R})} \\ &= \frac{V}{N} \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \rho_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} \\ &= \frac{V}{N} \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \rho_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \frac{(2\pi)^3}{v} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} \delta^3(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{G}) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{G}} \rho_{\mathbf{G}} e^{i\mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

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第 3 题 ((15.3) Tight binding Bloch Wavfunctions) 得分: _____. Analogous to the wavefunction introduced in Chapter 11, consider a tight-binding wave ansatz of the form

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} |\mathbf{R}\rangle$$

where the sum is over the points \mathbf{R} of a lattice, and $|\psi\rangle$ is the ground-state wavefunction of a electron bound to a nucleus on site \mathbf{R} . In real space this ansatz can be expressed as

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} \varphi(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}).$$

Show that this wavefunction is of the form required by Bloch' theorem (i.e., show it is a modified plane wave).

解: 上述的波函数可化为

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r})} \varphi(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) = e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} u(\mathbf{r}), \quad (16)$$

其中

$$u(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r})} \varphi(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}). \quad (17)$$

因为当将 \mathbf{r} 平移一个晶格基矢, $\mathbf{r} \rightarrow \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}$

$$u(\vec{r} + \mathbf{a}) = \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{r}]} \varphi(\mathbf{r} - (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{a})) = \sum_{\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{a}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r})} \varphi(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}), \quad (18)$$

根据平移群的性质, 将群内的所有矢量与一个晶格基矢相减, 得到的仍然是原先的平移群, $\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{a} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, 故

$$u(\vec{r} + \mathbf{a}) = \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r})} \varphi(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) = u(\vec{r}), \quad (19)$$

$u(\vec{r})$ 是一个以 \mathbf{a} 为周期的周期函数, 故 $\psi(\mathbf{r})$ 满足布洛赫定理要求的形式. \square

第 4 题 ((15.4) *Nearly Free Electrons in Two Dimensions) 得分: _____. Consider the nearly free electron model for a square lattice with lattice constant a . Suppose the periodic potential is given by

$$V(x, y) = 2V_{10}[\cos(2\pi x/a) + \cos(2\pi y/a)] \\ + 4V_{11}[\cos(2\pi x/a) \cos(2\pi y/a)]$$

- (a) Use the nearly free electron model to find the energies of states at wavevector $\mathbf{G} = (\pi/a, 0)$.
- (b) Calculate the energies of the states at wavevector $\mathbf{G} = (\pi/a, \pi/a)$. (Hint: You should write down a 4 by 4 secular determinant, which looks difficult, but it actually factors nicely. Make use of adding together rows or columns of the determinant before trying to evaluate it!)
- 解:** (a) \mathbf{G} 处于 x 方向上的布里渊区边界, y 方向上的布里渊区中心, 故其能量应当等于一维周期势场中布里渊区边界处的能量, 其能量应为

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 \pm |V_{\mathbf{G}}|, \quad (20)$$

其中

$$|V_{\mathbf{G}}| = |\langle (-\pi/a, 0) | V(x, y) | (\pi/a, 0) \rangle| \\ = \left| \frac{1}{a^2} \int_{-a/2}^{a/2} dx \int_{-a/2}^{a/2} dy (e^{-i\pi x/a})^* \{ 2V_{10}[\cos(2\pi x/a) + \cos(2\pi y/a)] + 4V_{11}[\cos(2\pi x/a) \cos(2\pi y/a)] \} e^{i\pi x/a} \right| \\ = |V_{10}|. \quad (21)$$

- (b) 状态 $|(\pi/a, \pi/a)\rangle$ 和状态 $|(\pi/a, -\pi/a)\rangle, |(-\pi/a, -\pi/a)\rangle, |(-\pi/a, \pi/a)\rangle$ 简并, 在以这四个状态依次为基矢组成的子希尔伯特空间中, 如式21那样, 用

$$H_{i,j} = \langle \psi_i | H | \psi_j \rangle \quad (22)$$

我们可以算出哈密顿矩阵的各个矩阵元, 从而得到哈密顿矩阵为

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon & V_{10} & V_{11} & V_{10} \\ V_{10} & \varepsilon & V_{10} & V_{11} \\ V_{11} & V_{10} & \varepsilon & V_{10} \\ V_{10} & V_{11} & V_{10} & \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}, \quad (23)$$

其中 $\varepsilon = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[\left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 \right]$ 为自由电子的能量. 这一哈密顿矩阵的特征方程为

$$|H - EI| = \begin{vmatrix} \varepsilon - E & V_{10} & V_{11} & V_{10} \\ V_{10} & \varepsilon - E & V_{10} & V_{11} \\ V_{11} & V_{10} & \varepsilon - E & V_{10} \\ V_{10} & V_{11} & V_{10} & \varepsilon - E \end{vmatrix} = 0. \quad (24)$$

对这一行列式做如下操作：用第一行减去第三行，用第二行减去第四行，得到

$$\begin{vmatrix} \varepsilon - E - V_{11} & 0 & V_{11} - \varepsilon + E & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon - E - V_{11} & 0 & V_{11} - \varepsilon + E \\ V_{11} & V_{10} & \varepsilon - E & V_{10} \\ V_{10} & V_{11} & V_{10} & \varepsilon - E \end{vmatrix} = 0. \quad (25)$$

然后再将第三列加到第一列，将第四列加到第二列，得到

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & V_{11} - \varepsilon + E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & V_{11} - \varepsilon + E \\ \varepsilon - E + V_{11} & 2V_{10} & \varepsilon - E & V_{10} \\ 2V_{10} & \varepsilon - E + V_{11} & V_{10} & \varepsilon - E \end{vmatrix} \\ = (V_{11} - \varepsilon + E)^2 [(\varepsilon - E + V_{11})^2 - 4V_{10}^2] = 0. \quad (26)$$

解得本征能量为

$$E_1 = E_2 = \varepsilon - V_{11}, \quad E_3 = \varepsilon + V_{11} - 2V_{10}, \quad E_4 = \varepsilon + V_{11} + 2V_{10}. \quad (27)$$

□

第 5 题 ((15.6) Kronig-Penney Model*) 得分: _____. Consider electrons of mass m in a so-called "delta-function comb" potential in one dimension

$$V(x) = aU \sum_n \delta(x - na)$$

- (a) Argue using the Schrodinger equation that in-between delta functions, an eigenstate of energy E is always of a plane wave form $e^{iq_E x}$ with

$$q_E = \sqrt{2mE}/\hbar.$$

Using Bloch's theorem conclude that we can write an eigenstate with energy E as

$$\psi(x) = e^{ikx} u_E(x)$$

where $u(E)$ is a periodic function defined as

$$u_E(x) = A \sin(q_E x) + B \cos(q_E x) \quad 0 < x < a$$

and $u_E(x) = u_E(x + a)$ defines u outside of this interval.

- (b) Using continuity of the wavefunction at $x = 0$ derive

$$B = e^{-ika} [A \sin(q_E a) + B \cos(q_E a)],$$

and using the Schrodinger equation to fix the discontinuity in slope at $x = 0$ derive

$$q_E A - e^{ikx} q_E [A \cos(q_E a) - B \sin(q_E a)] = 2maUB/\hbar^2$$

Solve these two equations to obtain

$$\cos(ka) = \cos(q_E a) + \frac{mUa}{\hbar^2 q_E} \sin(q_E a)$$

The left-hand side of this equation is always between -1 and 1 , but the right-hand side is not. Conclude that there must be values of E for which there are no solutions of the Schrodinger equation — hence concluding there are gap in the spectrum.

- (c) For small values of the potential U show that this result agrees with the prediction of the nearly free electron model (i.e., determine the size of the gap at the zone boundary).

解: (a) 在两个delta势之间, 由于势能为0, 所以薛定谔方程为

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \psi(x) = E, \quad (28)$$

这是典型的波动方程的形式, 其波函数必为平面波的形式:

$$\psi(x) = \alpha e^{iq_E x} + \beta e^{-iq_E x} = A \sin(q_E x) + B \cos(q_E x). \quad (29)$$

其中 $q_E = \sqrt{2mE}/\hbar$. 根据布洛赫定理, 波函数可化为这样的形式

$$\psi(x) = e^{ikx} u_E(x), \quad (30)$$

其中 $u_E(x)$ 是以 a 为周期的函数. 故

$$\psi(x+a) = e^{ik(x+a)} u_E(x+a) = e^{ik(x+a)} u_E(x) = e^{ika} \psi(x). \quad (31)$$

且 $u_E(x)$ 也具有如下的形式:

$$u_E(x) = \frac{\psi(x)}{e^{ikx}} = \alpha e^{i(q_E-k)x} + \beta e^{-i(q_E+k)x} = A' \sin((q_E-k)x) + B' \cos((q_E-k)x). \quad (32)$$

- (b) 根据 u 的周期性, 其在 $x=0$ 处的函数值应当等于在 $x=a$ 处的函数值

$$u_E(0) = B = u_E(a) = e^{-ika} [A \sin(q_E a) + B \cos(q_E a)]. \quad (33)$$

波函数的导数为

$$\psi(x) = A q_E \cos(q_E x) - B q_E \sin(q_E x). \quad (34)$$

在 $x=0$ 处对薛定谔方程两边关于 x 进行积分, 得到

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{0^-}^{0^+} dx \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \psi(x) &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [\psi'(0^+) - \psi'(0^-)] = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [\psi'(0^+) - e^{-ika} \psi'(a^-)] \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [A q_E - e^{-ika} (A q_E \cos(q_E a) - B q_E \sin(q_E a))] \\ &= \int_{0^-}^{0^+} aU \sum_n \delta(x-na) \psi(x) dx \\ &= aUB. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

$$= aUB. \quad (36)$$

$$\Rightarrow q_E A - e^{-ika} q_E [A \cos(q_E a) - B \sin(q_E a)] = -\frac{2maUB}{\hbar^2}. \quad (37)$$

将式34代入式36, 消去 A 和 B , 可得

$$\cos(ka) = \cos(q_E a) + \frac{mUa}{\hbar^2 q_E} \sin(q_E a). \quad (38)$$

上式左侧的取值范围为 $[-1, 1]$, 而右侧则可能在这一范围之外, 因此当 E 取某些值时, 薛定谔方程无解而产生带隙.

- (c) 在布里渊区边界 $k = \frac{\pi}{a}$ 附近, $q_E \approx k + \delta$, 上式化为

$$-1 = \cos(\pi + \delta a) + \frac{mUa}{\hbar^2(\frac{\pi}{a} + \delta)} \sin(\pi + \delta a). \quad (39)$$

上式右边关于 δ 展开并保留到二阶项，得

$$-1 = -1 + \frac{1}{2}(\delta a)^2 - \frac{mUa}{\hbar^2\pi} \left(1 + \frac{\delta a}{\pi}\right) \delta a, \quad (40)$$

$$\implies \delta = 0 \text{ 或 } \approx \frac{2mUa}{\hbar^2\pi}. \quad (41)$$

电子的能量为

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a} + \delta\right)^2 \approx E_0 \text{ 或 } \approx E_0 + 2U_0. \quad (42)$$

其中

$$V_G = \frac{1}{a} \int_{-a/2}^{a/2} dx e^{-iGx} V(x) e^{iGx} = U. \quad (43)$$

带隙 $2|U| = 2|V_G|$ 与用进自由电子计算得到的一致.

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