



Chapter 3

Lattice Vibrations and Phonons (晶格振动与声子)



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Objectives



- To understand the concept of “**lattice wave**”.
- To understand the characteristics of lattice vibrations in 1D.
- To learn the characteristics of lattice vibrations in 3D.



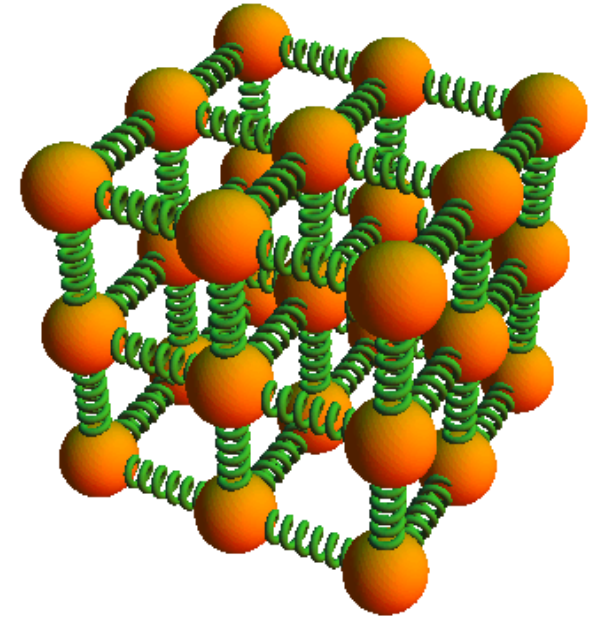
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➤ A Model of Lattice Vibrations (晶格振动模型)

- ❖ In real crystals, the atoms (or molecules) DO NOT remain static at the lattice points. Instead, **they always vibrate around the equilibrium positions (lattice points) at both finite and zero temperatures.**
- ❖ Lattice vibrations play a key role in accounting for many physical properties of solids, such as **thermal capacity, thermal conductivity, thermal expansion, electrical conductivity, and superconductivity.**



Schematic Diagram of a Model of Lattice Vibrations in 3D

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➤ A Model of Lattice Vibrations (晶格振动模型)

❖ Lattice vibrations can be understood by a simplified model adopting the following appropriate approximations:

☐ Adiabatic Approximation (绝热近似)

☐ Nearest-Neighbor Approximation (最近邻近近似)

☐ Harmonic Approximation (简谐近似)

☐ Born-von Karman Approximation (玻恩-冯卡门近似)

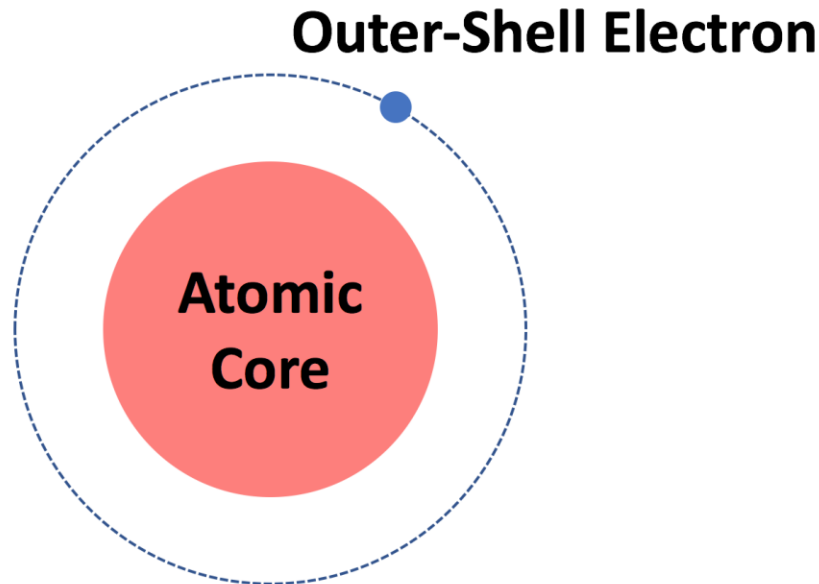
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➤ A Model of Lattice Vibrations (晶格振动模型)

❑ Adiabatic Approximation (绝热近似)

- The atoms (or molecules) at the lattice points can be treated as a combination of **atomic core** (原子实) and **outer-shell electrons** (外层电子), the motion of which is separable.



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□ Adiabatic Approximation (绝热近似)

- The mass of atomic core is much (3-5 orders of magnitude) larger than that of the outer-shell electrons such that the electrons move fast enough to follow the atomic core motion. The electrons remain at the **ground state** (基态) at every moment of the atomic core motion.
- This approximation is also called **Born-Oppenheimer approximation** (玻恩-奥本海默近似).

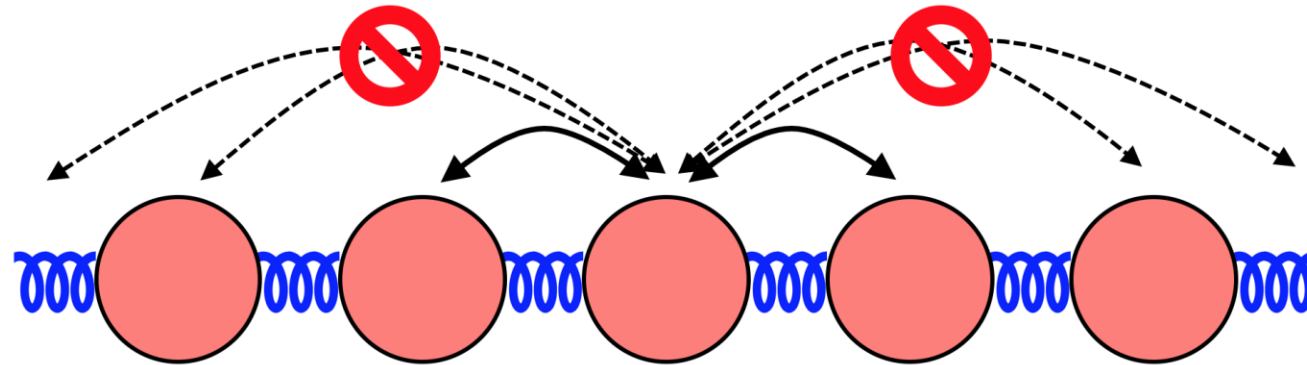
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□ Nearest-Neighbor Approximation (最近邻近似)

- Only the interactions between nearest-neighbor lattice points are considered, and those between next-nearest-neighbor points and beyond are omitted.



Schematic Diagram of Nearest-Neighbor Approximation

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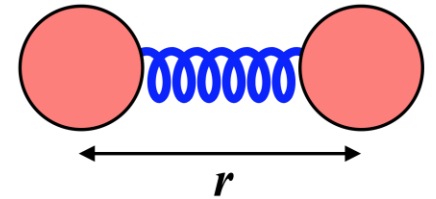


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□ Harmonic Approximation (简谐近似)

- The potential energy between interacting atoms can be expressed in terms of **Taylor series (泰勒级数)** around the equilibrium positions:

$$\begin{aligned} V(r) &= V(a + \delta) \\ &= V(a) + \left(\frac{dV}{dr} \right)_a \delta + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d^2V}{dr^2} \right)_a \delta^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \left(\frac{d^3V}{dr^3} \right)_a \delta^3 + \end{aligned}$$



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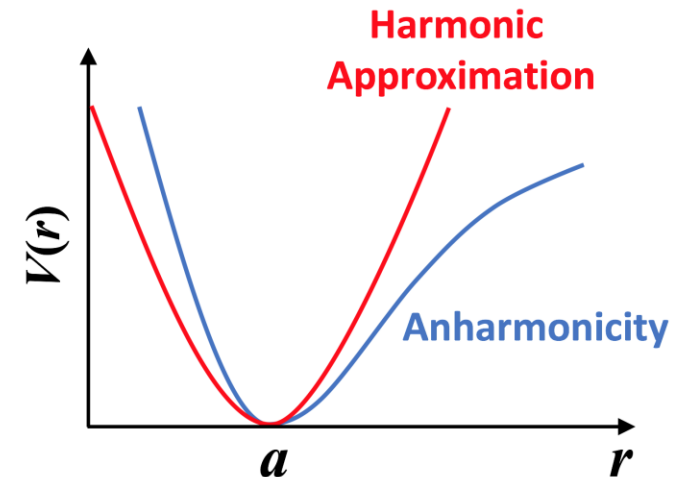


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□ Harmonic Approximation (简谐近似)

- The **harmonic approximation** is such that only the terms up to δ^2 are kept and those associated with δ^3 and beyond are omitted.

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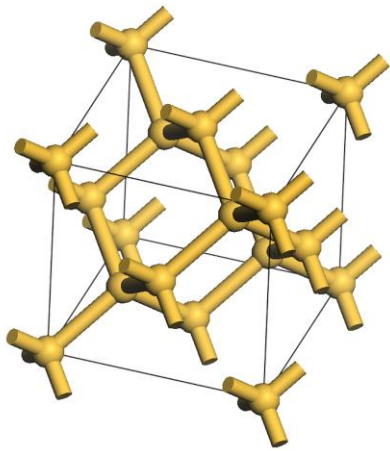
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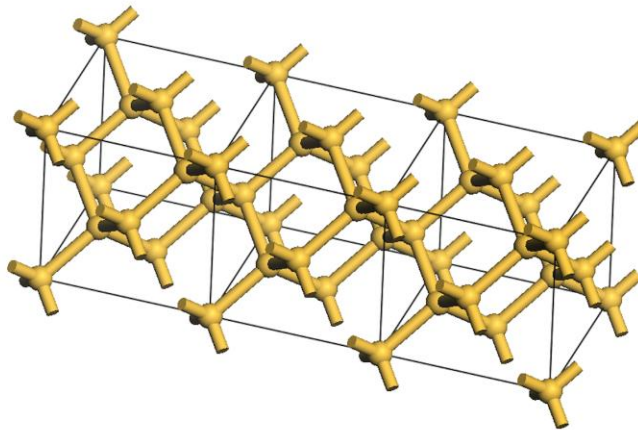
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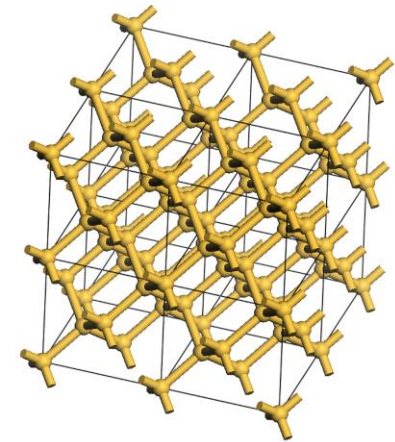
- **Born-von Karman approximation** is to impose the restriction that the spatial distribution of crystal properties (e.g., potential energy, wave function) must be periodic at multiple cells of a Bravais lattice.



1 unit cell of Si crystal



3 unit cells of Si crystal



8 unit cells of Si crystal

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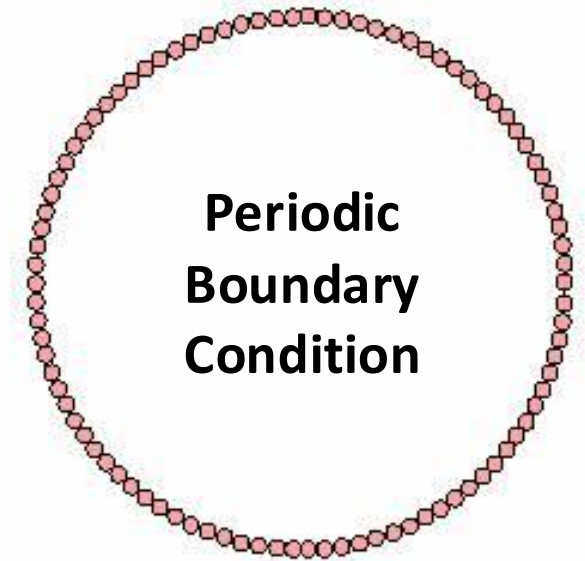
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- This approximation is also called **Born-von Karman boundary condition** (玻恩-冯卡门边界条件) or **periodic boundary condition** (周期性边界条件).
- Mathematically, the approximation can be stated as:

$$\psi(\mathbf{r} + N_i \mathbf{a}_i) = \psi(\mathbf{r})$$

where i runs over the dimensions of the Bravais lattice, \mathbf{a}_i are the basis vectors, and N_i are integers (assuming the lattice has $N = N_1 N_2 N_3$ cells).





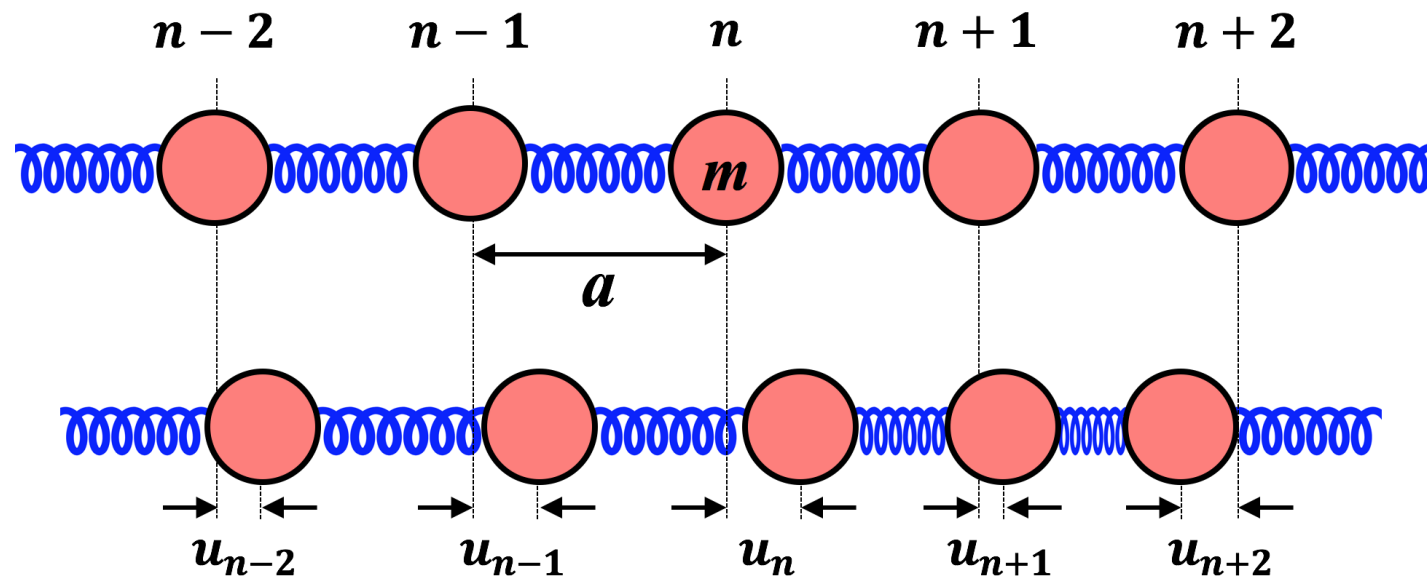
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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Monoatomic Chain (一维单原子链的振动)

- ❖ We consider a 1D monoatomic chain (one atom per primitive cell) consisting of N identical atoms with mass m .



Here, a is the lattice constant and u_n is the displacement of the n th atom from its equilibrium position at time t .

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Monoatomic Chain (一维单原子链的振动)

- ❖ In the **harmonic approximation**, the interatomic potential V_n between atoms n and $n + 1$ as a function of the atomic displacement can be written as:

$$V_n(r) = V_n(a + \delta) \approx V_n(a) + \left(\frac{dV_n}{dr} \right)_a \delta + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d^2V_n}{dr^2} \right)_a \delta^2 = V_n(a) + \frac{1}{2} K \delta^2$$

Here, $\delta = u_n - u_{n+1}$ and $K = \left(\frac{d^2V_n}{dr^2} \right)_a$ represents the **force constant (力常数)**.

Note that, at the equilibrium position, $\left(\frac{dV_n}{dr} \right)_a = 0$.

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- ❖ In the **nearest-neighbor approximation**, the elastic force (defined as $f = -\frac{dV}{dr} = -K\delta$) on atom n can be expressed as:

$$f_n = f_1 + f_2 = -K(u_n - u_{n+1}) - K(u_n - u_{n-1}) = K(u_{n+1} + u_{n-1} - 2u_n)$$

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❖ The **Newtonian equation of motion** (牛顿运动方程) for atom n is:

$$m \frac{d^2 u_n}{dt^2} = K(u_{n+1} + u_{n-1} - 2u_n)$$

❖ The solutions to the set of equations have the form of “**lattice waves**”:

$$u_{nq} = A_q e^{i(\omega t - naq)}$$

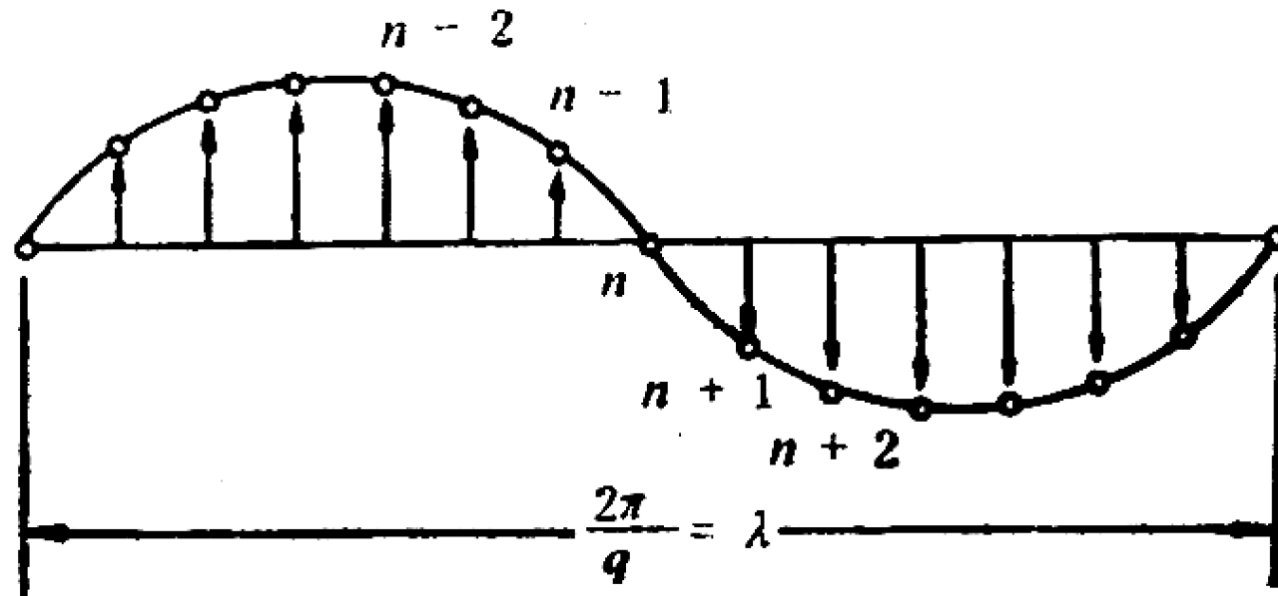
Here, A_q is the amplitude, ω the angular frequency, $q = 2\pi/\lambda$ the wave vector, and λ the wave length.

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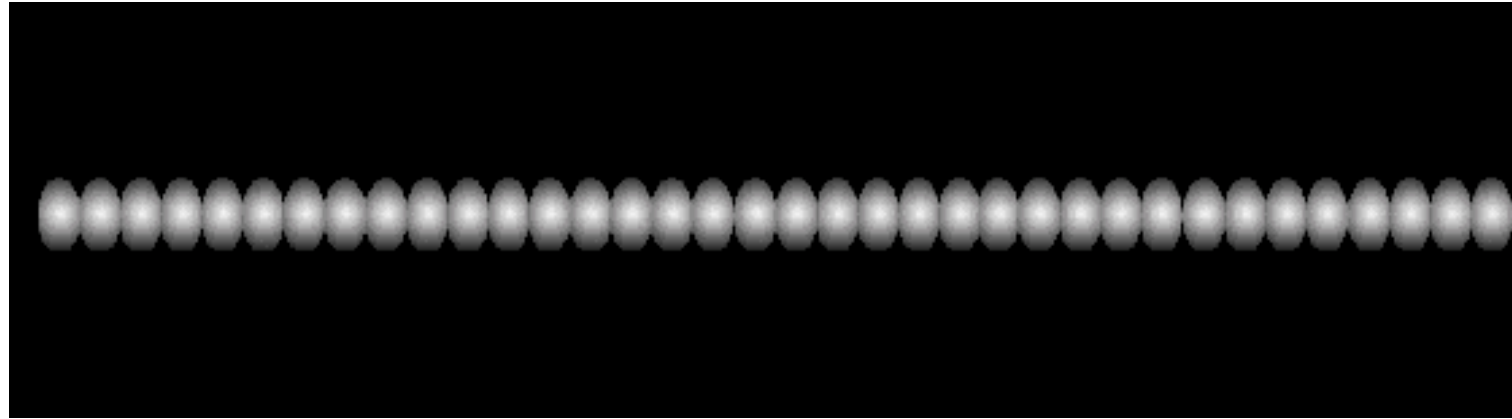


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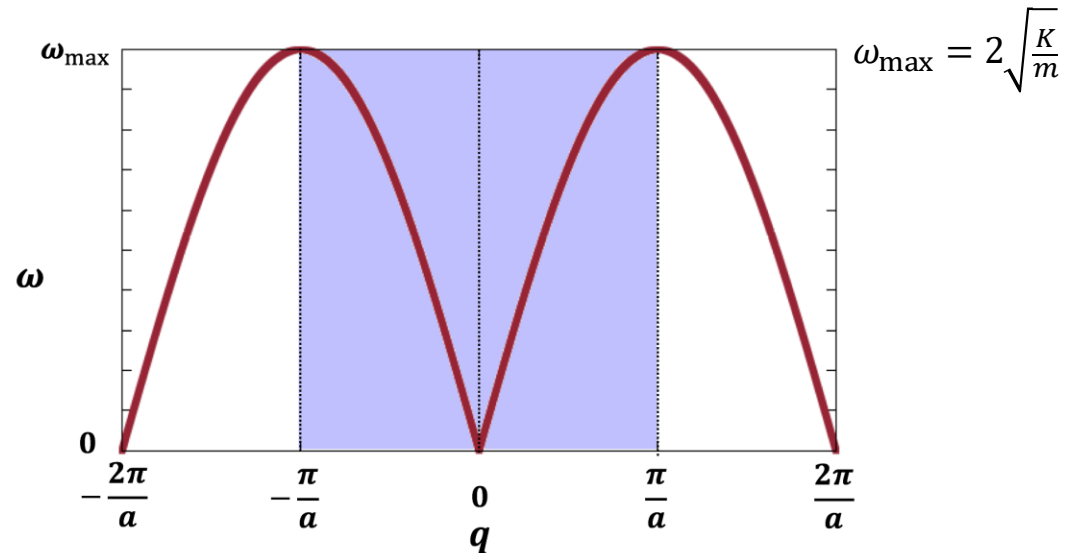
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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Monoatomic Chain (一维单原子链的振动)

❖ By applying u_{nq} to the Newtonian equations of motion, it is obtained:

$$\omega = 2\sqrt{\frac{K}{m}} \left| \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}aq\right) \right|$$



❖ The $\omega \sim q$ relation is also called “**dispersion relation**” (色散关系).

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Monoatomic Chain (一维单原子链的振动)

❖ The range of **wave vector** q is physically significant **only in the first Brillouin zone**.

$$\frac{u_{n+1,q}}{u_{nq}} = e^{-iaq} \quad \longrightarrow \quad -\pi \leq aq < \pi \quad \text{or} \quad -\pi < aq \leq \pi$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad -\frac{\pi}{a} \leq q < \frac{\pi}{a} \quad \text{or} \quad -\frac{\pi}{a} < q \leq \frac{\pi}{a}$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \omega(q + G_n) = \omega(q) \quad (G_n = n\frac{2\pi}{a} \text{ is a reciprocal lattice vector})$$

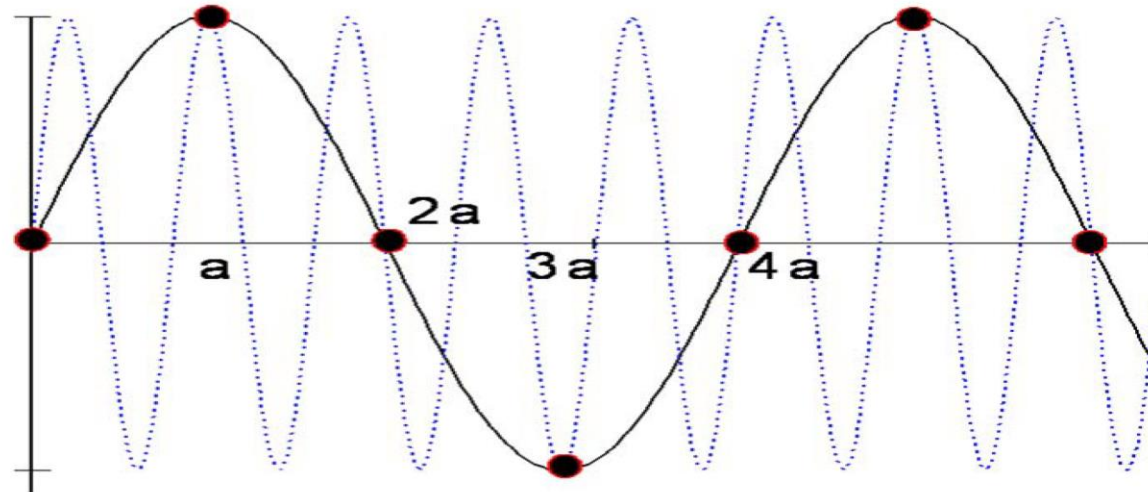
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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Monoatomic Chain (一维单原子链的振动)

❖ The range of **wave length** λ is physically significant **only in the case of** $\lambda \geq 2a$.

$$-\frac{\pi}{a} < q \leq \frac{\pi}{a} \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{q} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \lambda \geq 2a$$



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❖ By applying the **periodic boundary condition**, it is obtained:

$$u_{n+N,q} = u_{nq} \quad \longrightarrow \quad q = l \frac{2\pi}{Na} \quad (l \text{ is an integer and } N \text{ the number of primitive cells})$$

❖ For a monoatomic chain with N atoms (primitive cells), the number of wave vectors q in the first (or each) Brillouin zone is also N . One q corresponds to one **vibration mode** (振动模).

$$-\frac{\pi}{a} \leq q < \frac{\pi}{a} \quad \longrightarrow \quad -\frac{N}{2} \leq l < \frac{N}{2} \quad (l_1, l_2, \dots, l_N)$$

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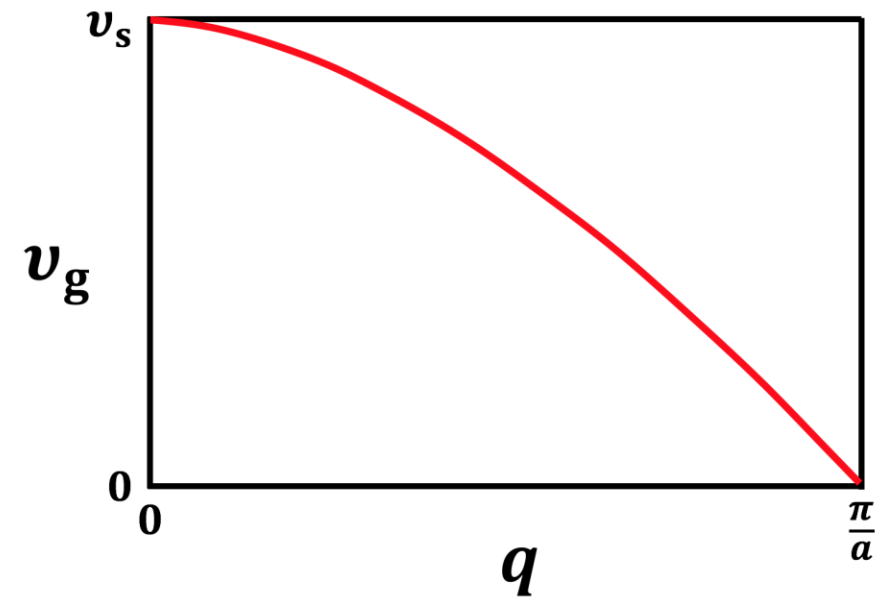


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❖ Group velocity (群速度) of the lattice waves:

$$v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dq} = v_s \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}aq\right)$$

$v_s = a\sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}$ is the **velocity of sound** (声速)



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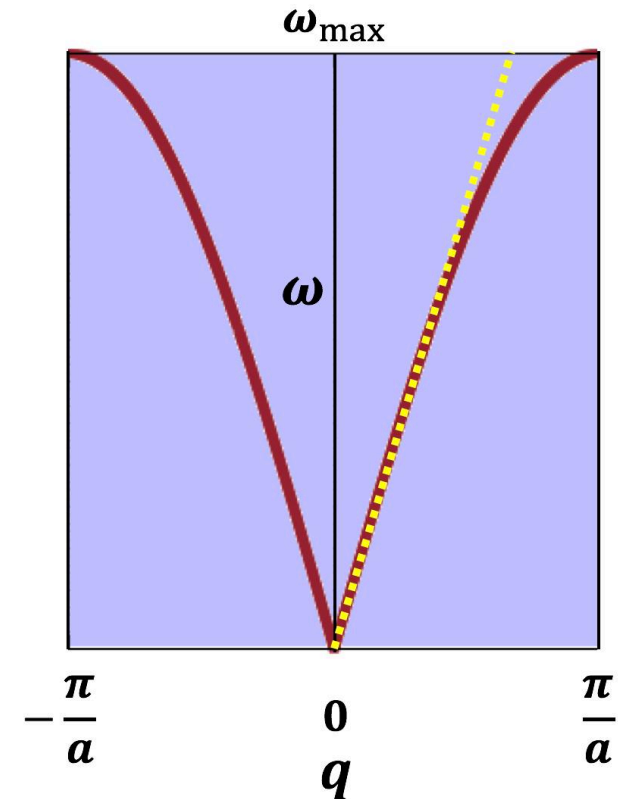
❖ Acoustical waves (声学波) in the long wavelength limit (长波极限 $q \rightarrow 0$):

$$\omega = 2\sqrt{\frac{K}{m}} \left| \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}aq\right) \right|$$

$$q \rightarrow 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \omega \rightarrow a\sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}|q| = v_s|q| \rightarrow 0$$

$$\frac{u_{n+1,q}}{u_{nq}} = e^{-iaq} \rightarrow 1$$

Acoustical branch (声学支): $\omega \propto q \rightarrow 0$ when $q \rightarrow 0$



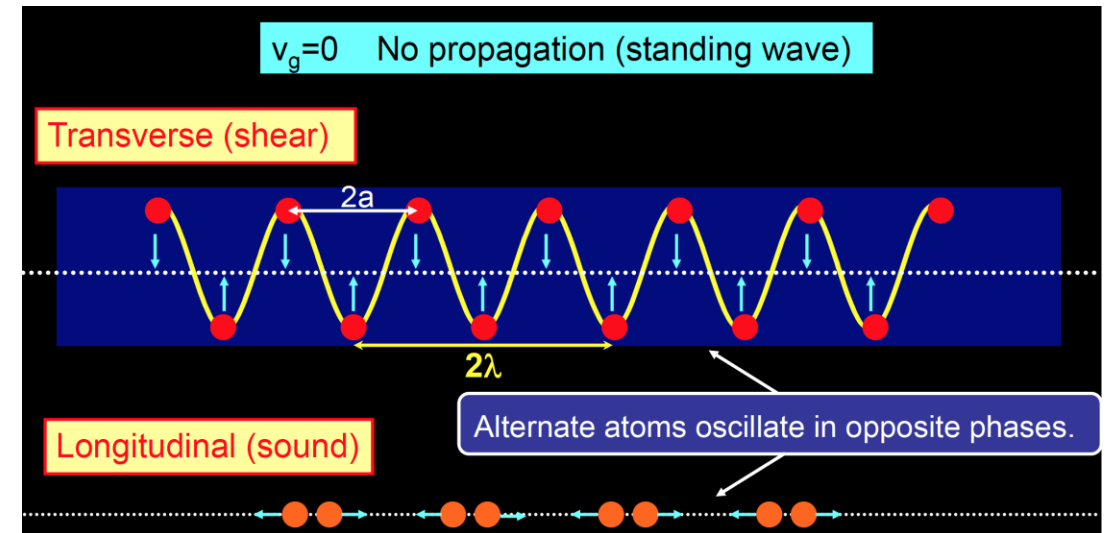
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❖ Standing waves (驻波) at the boundary of the first Brillouin zone ($q = \pm \frac{\pi}{a}$):

$$q = \pm \frac{\pi}{a} \quad \longrightarrow \quad v_g = 0$$
$$v_g = v_s \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}aq\right)$$
$$\frac{u_{n+1,q}}{u_{nq}} = e^{-iaq} = -1$$



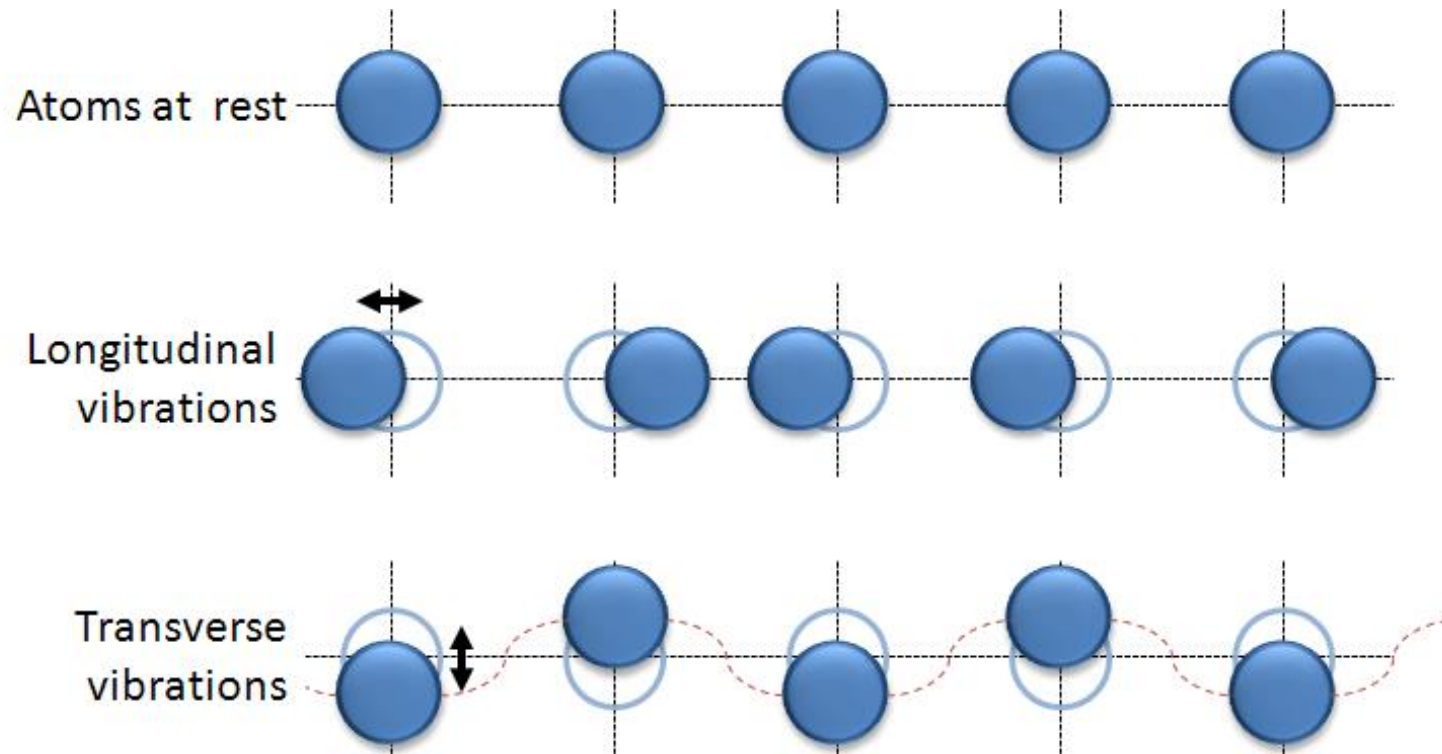
The standing waves are as a result of Bragg reflection (布拉格反射)!

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Monoatomic Chain (一维单原子链的振动)

❖ Longitudinal Vibrations (纵振动/纵波) vs Transverse Vibrations (横振动/横波):

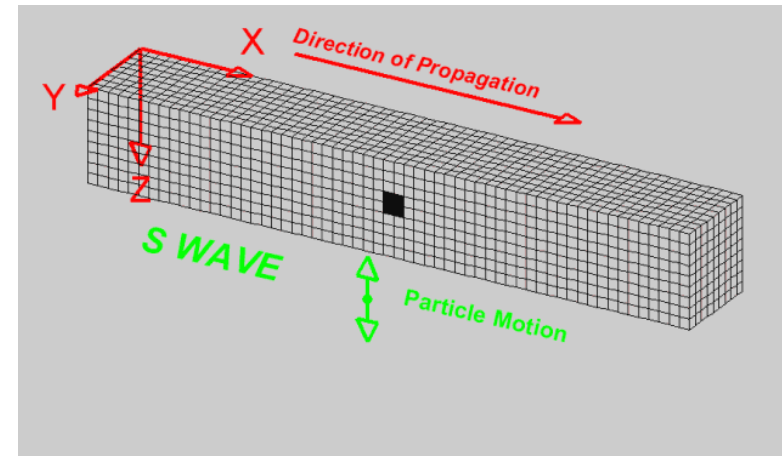
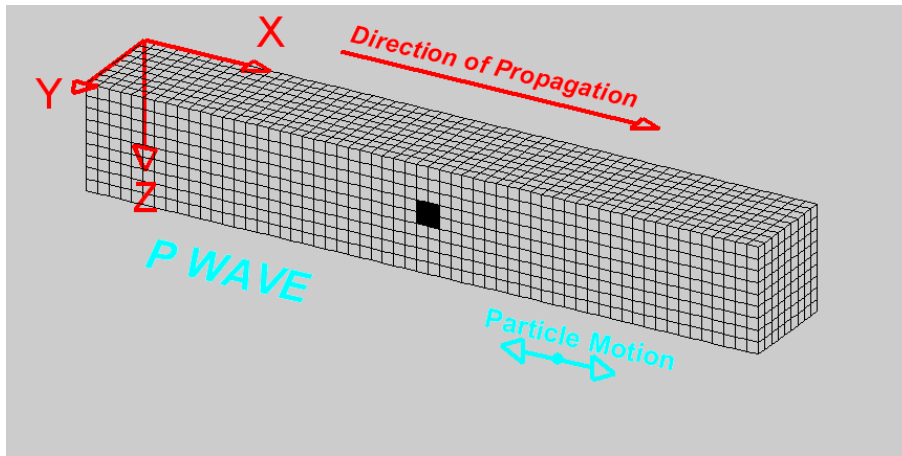


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❖ **Total displacement** of atom n as a result of lattice vibrations:

$$u_n = \sum_q u_{nq} = \sum_q A_q e^{i(\omega_q t - naq)}$$

Note:

u_{nq} represents the displacement of atom n as a result of the **q th vibration mode**.



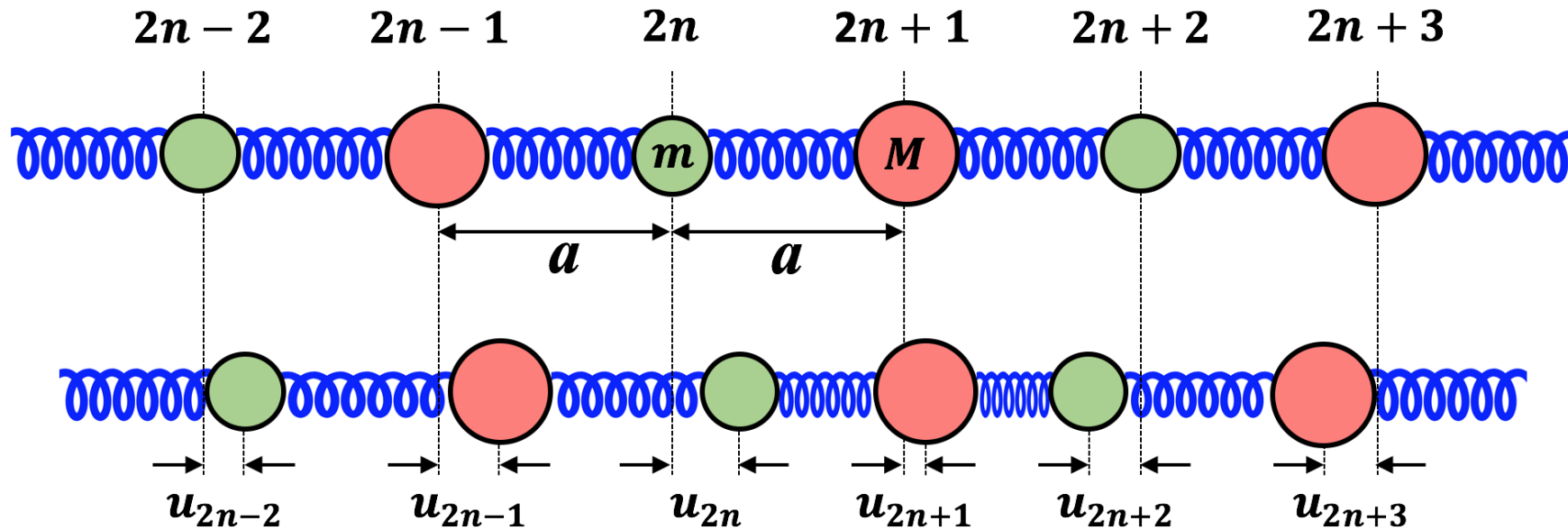
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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Diatomic Chain (一维双原子链的振动)

- ❖ We turn to consider a 1D diatomic chain (two atoms per primitive cell) consisting of N primitive cells. The masses of the two atoms of each cell are m and M , respectively.



Note that the lattice constant is $2a$ instead of a !

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Diatomic Chain (一维双原子链的振动)

- ❖ By applying a procedure similar to that of the case of 1D monoatomic chain as well as assuming the **harmonic and nearest-neighbor approximations**, the **Newtonian equation of motion** for the 1D diatomic chain reads:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m \frac{d^2 u_{2n}}{dt^2} = K(u_{2n+1} + u_{2n-1} - 2u_{2n}) \\ M \frac{d^2 u_{2n+1}}{dt^2} = K(u_{2n+2} + u_{2n} - 2u_{2n+1}) \end{array} \right.$$

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Diatomic Chain (一维双原子链的振动)

❖ The solutions to the coupled set of equations above also have the form of “**lattice waves**”:

$$\begin{cases} u_{2n,q} = A_q e^{i[\omega t - (2n)aq]} \\ u_{2n+1,q} = B_q e^{i[\omega t - (2n+1)aq]} \end{cases}$$

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Diatomic Chain (一维双原子链的振动)

❖ By applying $\mathbf{u}_{2n,q}$ and $\mathbf{u}_{2n+1,q}$ to the Newtonian equations of motion, it is obtained:

$$\omega^2 = \begin{cases} \omega_+^2 = \frac{K}{\mu} \left[1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{4\mu^2}{mM} \sin^2(aq)} \right] & \text{Optical Branch (光学支)} \\ \omega_-^2 = \frac{K}{\mu} \left[1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{4\mu^2}{mM} \sin^2(aq)} \right] & \text{Acoustical Branch (声学支)} \end{cases}$$

$\mu = \frac{mM}{m+M}$ represents the reduced mass (约化质量) of a primitive cell.

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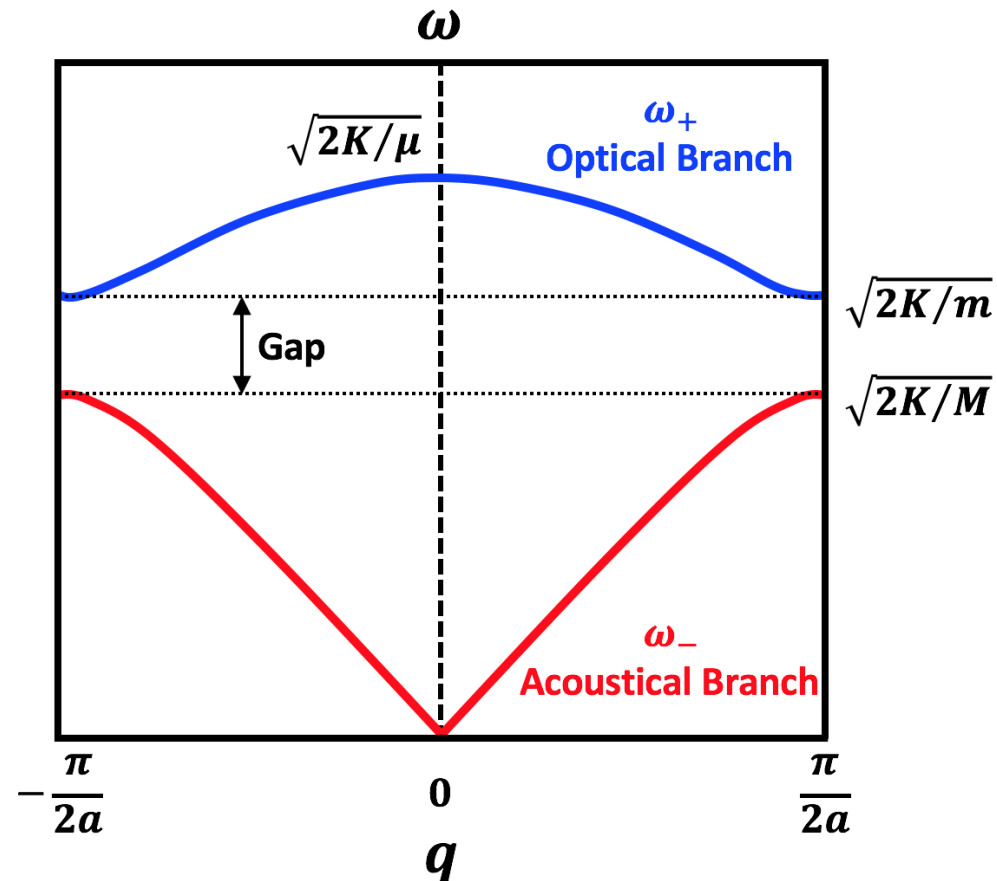
❖ Dispersion relation of a 1D diatomic chain:

The first Brillouin zone:

$$-\frac{\pi}{2a} \leq q < \frac{\pi}{2a}$$

or

$$-\frac{\pi}{2a} < q \leq \frac{\pi}{2a}$$



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❖ Ratio between the displacement amplitudes of the two atoms in a primitive cell:

$$\begin{cases} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)_+ = \frac{2K - m\omega_+^2}{2K \cos(aq)} \\ \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)_- = \frac{2K - m\omega_-^2}{2K \cos(aq)} \end{cases}$$

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Diatomic Chain (一维双原子链的振动)

❖ The acoustical branch: $\omega_- \propto q \rightarrow 0$ when $q \rightarrow 0$

$$\left(\frac{B}{A}\right)_- = \frac{2K - m\omega_-^2}{2K \cos(aq)} > 0$$



$$\left(\frac{B}{A}\right)_- = 1, \text{ when } q = 0$$

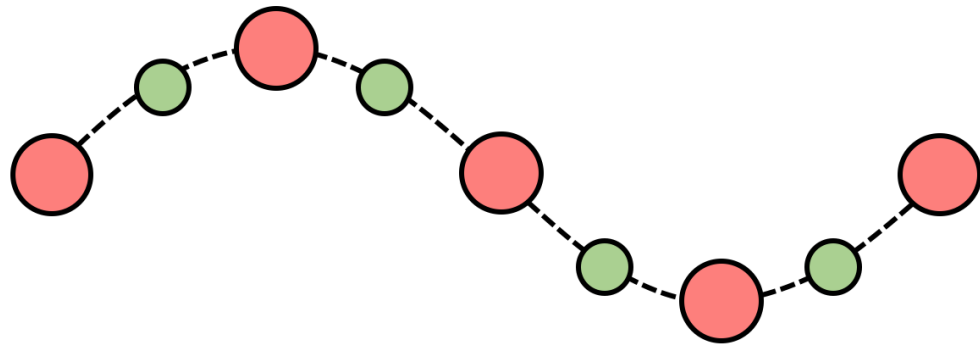
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In the long wavelength limit ($q \rightarrow 0$) of **acoustical branch**, the vibrations of the two atoms in a cell are **exactly the same in both phase and amplitude!**



An Example of Acoustical Vibration Mode
(Transverse Wave)

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Diatomic Chain (一维双原子链的振动)

❖ The optical branch: $\omega_+ \rightarrow \sqrt{2K/\mu} \neq 0$ when $q \rightarrow 0$

$$\left(\frac{B}{A}\right)_+ = \frac{2K - m\omega_+^2}{2K \cos(aq)} < 0$$

➡ $\left(\frac{B}{A}\right)_+ = -\frac{m}{M'}, \text{ when } q = 0$

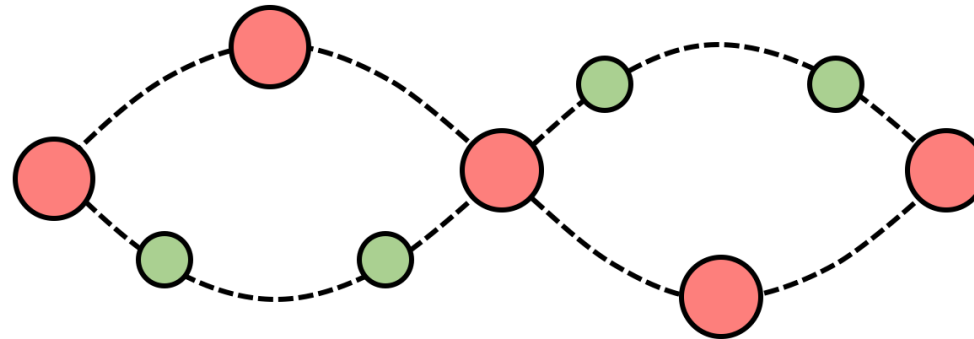
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In the long wavelength limit ($q \rightarrow 0$) of **optical branch**, the vibrations of the two atoms in a cell are **opposite in phase**, and the **center of mass remains still!**



An Example of Optical Vibration Mode
(Transverse Wave)

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Diatomic Chain (一维双原子链的振动)

❖ Periodic boundary condition:

$$u_{2(n+N),q} = u_{2n,q} \longrightarrow q = l \frac{\pi}{Na} \quad (l \text{ is an integer and } N \text{ the number of primitive cells})$$

- ❖ For a diatomic chain with N primitive cells, the number of wave vectors \mathbf{q} in the first (or each) Brillouin zone is also N . Since one \mathbf{q} corresponds to two vibration modes (one acoustical and one optical), the **total number of vibration modes is $2N$** .

$$-\frac{\pi}{2a} \leq q < \frac{\pi}{2a} \longrightarrow -\frac{N}{2} \leq l < \frac{N}{2} \quad (l_1, l_2, \dots, l_N)$$

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➤ Vibrations of a 1D Diatomic Chain (一维双原子链的振动)

❖ Total displacements of the two atoms in a primitive cell:

$$u_{2n} = \sum_q u_{2n,q} = \sum_q A_q e^{i[\omega_q t - (2n)aq]}$$

$$u_{2n+1} = \sum_q u_{2n+1,q} = \sum_q B_q e^{i[\omega_q t - (2n+1)aq]}$$



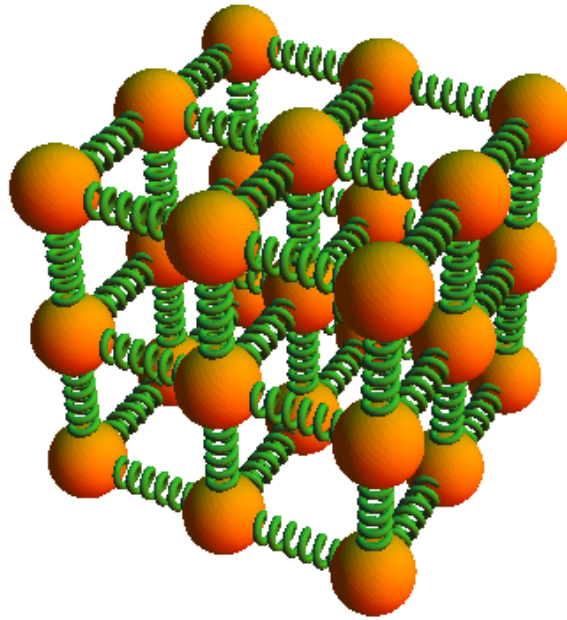
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➤ Vibrations of a 3D Lattice (三维晶格的振动)

- ❖ Most real crystals have 3D lattices. In general, the vibrations of a 3D lattice can be described in a way similar to the case of 1D chains as discussed above.



Schematic Diagram of a Model of Lattice Vibrations in 3D

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- ❖ We consider a 3D lattice with $N = N_1 N_2 N_3$ primitive cells (with N_j the number of primitive cells along the direction of the basis vector $\vec{a}_j, j = 1, 2, 3$). Each primitive cell has n atoms with mass m_k ($k = 1, 2, \dots, n$).
- ❖ For a lattice vector $\vec{R}(l) = l_1 \vec{a}_1 + l_2 \vec{a}_2 + l_3 \vec{a}_3$, the coordinates of the n atoms in the primitive cell are:

$$\vec{R}_{lk} \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

The corresponding **displacements** of the n atoms from their equilibrium positions are:

$$\vec{u}_{lk} \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

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❖ The **Newtonian equations of motion** for the n atoms in the primitive cell are:

$$m_k \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \vec{u}_{lk} = -\nabla_{\vec{u}_{lk}} V_l$$

V_l denotes the total interatomic potential energy of the primitive cell.

❖ The solutions to the equations above have the form of “**lattice waves**”:

$$\vec{u}_{lkq} = \vec{A}_{kq} e^{i(\omega t - \vec{R}_{lk} \cdot \vec{q})}$$

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❖ **Total displacement** of the atoms in a primitive cell:

$$\vec{u}_{lk} = \sum_q \vec{u}_{lkq} = \sum_q \vec{A}_{kq} e^{i(\omega_q t - \vec{R}_{lk} \cdot \vec{q})}$$

\vec{u}_{lkq} represents the atomic displacement as a result of the **q th vibration mode**.

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❖ The **periodic boundary condition** requires:

$$\vec{u}(R_l + N_j a_j) = \vec{u}(R_l) \quad j = 1, 2, 3$$

➡ $N_j \vec{a}_j \cdot \vec{q} = h_j 2\pi \quad j = 1, 2, 3$

➡ $\vec{q} = \frac{h_1}{N_1} \vec{b}_1 + \frac{h_2}{N_2} \vec{b}_2 + \frac{h_3}{N_3} \vec{b}_3$

\vec{b}_j ($j = 1, 2, 3$) denote the basis vectors of the reciprocal lattice.

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❖ The volume occupied by each \mathbf{q} in the reciprocal space:

$$\frac{\vec{b}_1}{N_1} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{b}_2}{N_2} \times \frac{\vec{b}_3}{N_3} \right) = \frac{\Omega^*}{N}$$

Ω^* denotes the volume of a primitive cell in the reciprocal lattice.

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❖ The **distribution density** of \mathbf{q} in the reciprocal space:

$$\frac{N}{\Omega^*} = \frac{N\Omega}{(2\pi)^3} = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3}$$

Ω denotes the volume of a primitive cell and V the total volume of the direct lattice .

❖ The number of \mathbf{q} per primitive cell in the reciprocal lattice:

$$\frac{N}{\Omega^*} \times \Omega^* = N$$

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❖ For all q ,

- the number of **acoustical branches** is **3** (corresponding to **1** branch of **longitudinal wave** and **2** branches of **transverse waves**);
- the number of **optical branches** is **$3n - 3$** .

❖ The **total number of vibration modes** is **$3nN$** , which is equal to the total number of **degrees of freedom (自由度)** in the 3D crystal.

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❖ Characteristics of lattice vibrations in 3D:

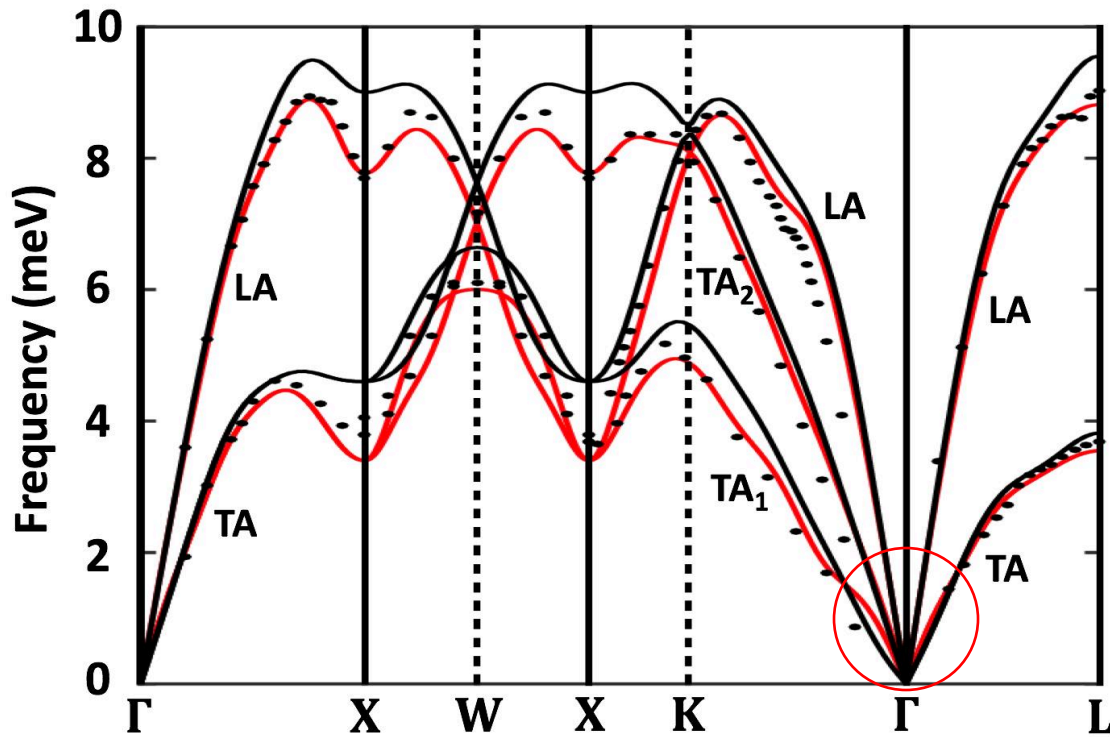
	Number of Primitive Cells 原胞数	Number of Atoms per Primitive Cell 原胞内原子数
	N	n
Number of Wave Vectors in Each BZ 布里渊区内波矢数	N	
Total Number of Branches 格波总支数	$3n$	
Number of Acoustical Branches 声学支数	3 (1 longitudinal and 2 transverse)	
Number of Optical Branches 光学支数	$3n - 3$	
Total Number of Vibration Modes 振动模总数	$3nN$	
Number of Acoustical Modes 声学模数	$3N$	
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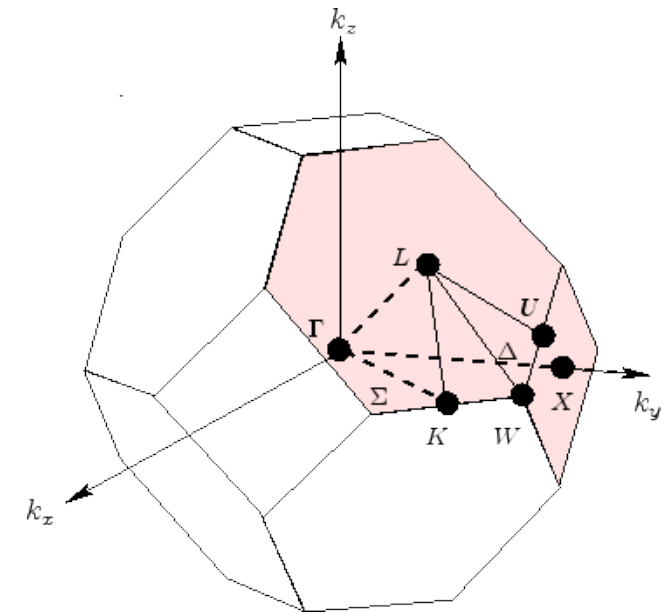


➤ Vibrations of a 3D Lattice (三维晶格的振动)

❖ Examples of lattice vibration spectrum (晶格振动谱) in real crystals:



Pb (1 atom per primitive cell)



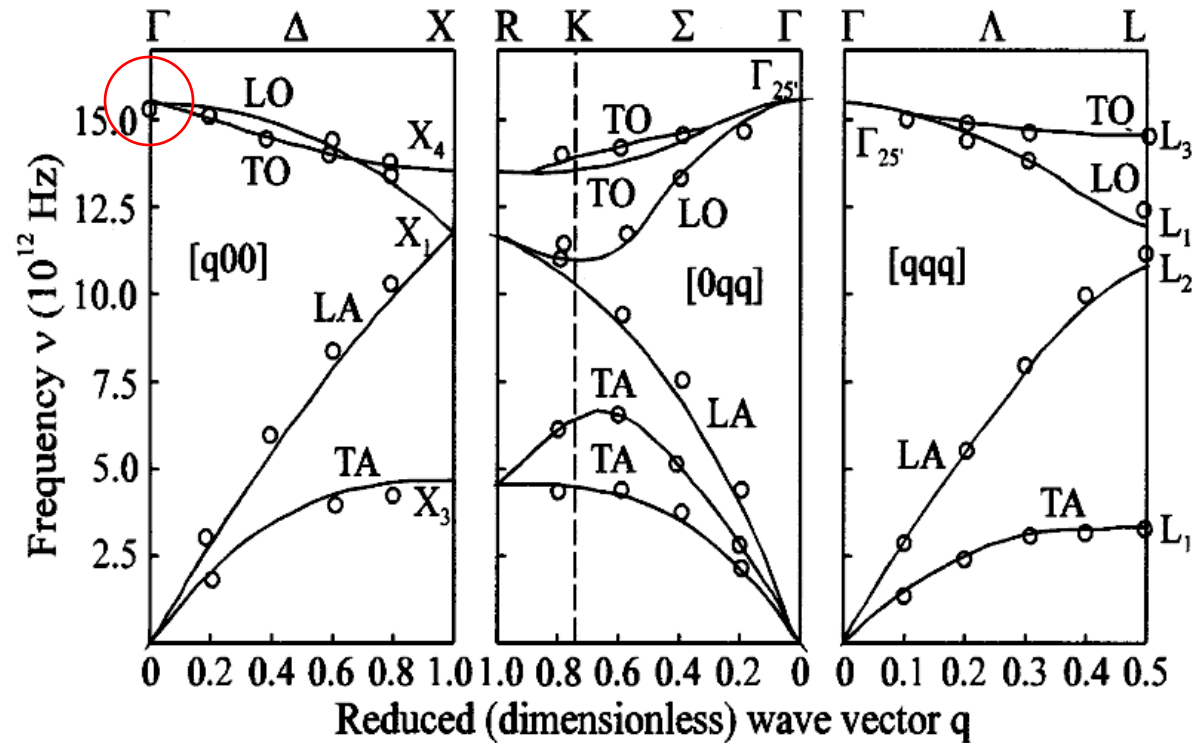
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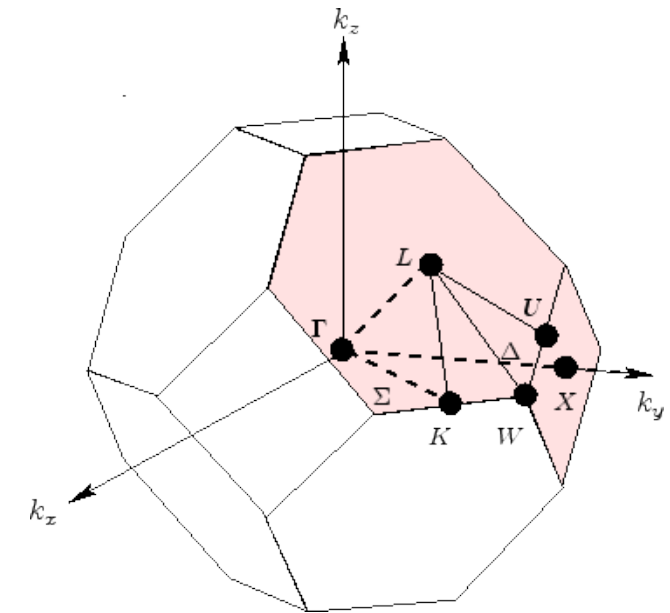


➤ Vibrations of a 3D Lattice (三维晶格的振动)

❖ Examples of **lattice vibration spectrum** (晶格振动谱) in real crystals:



Si (2 atoms per primitive cell)



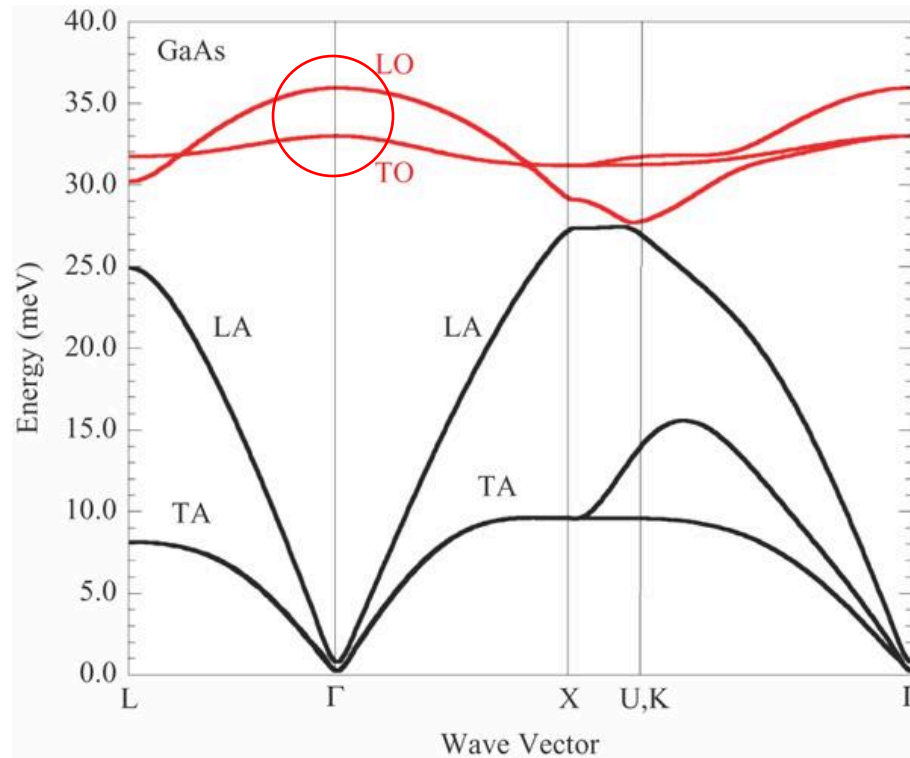
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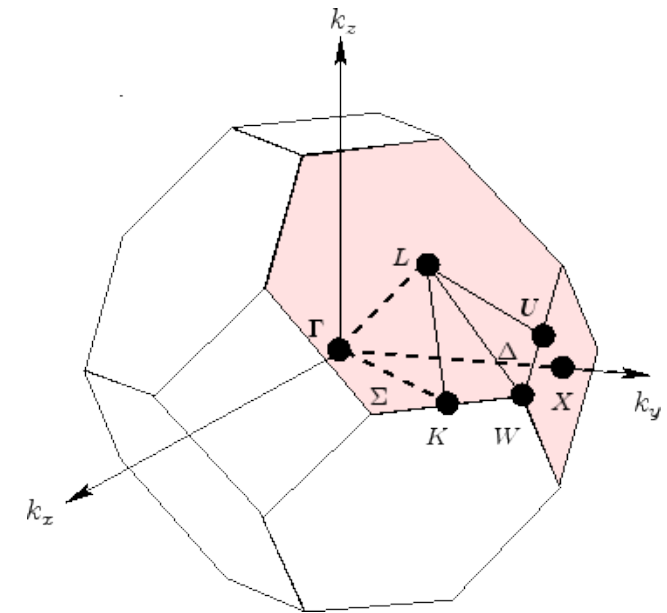


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GaAs (2 atoms per primitive cell)



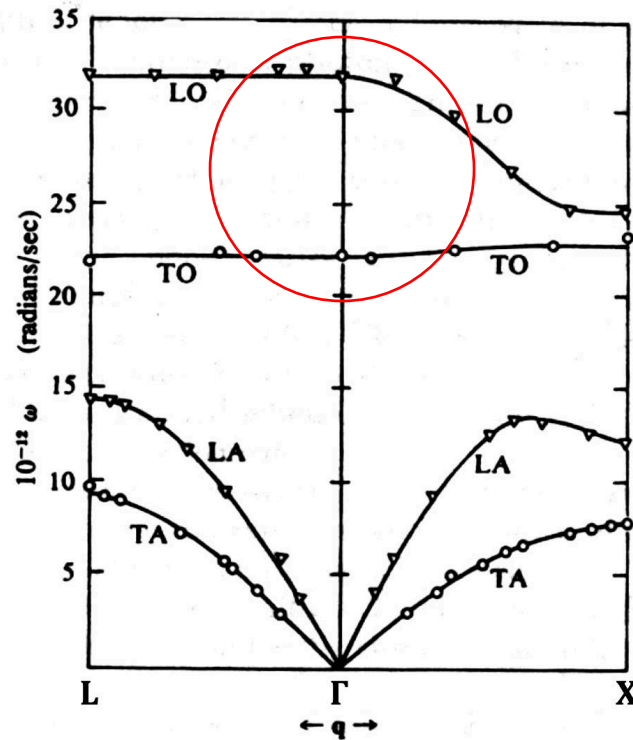
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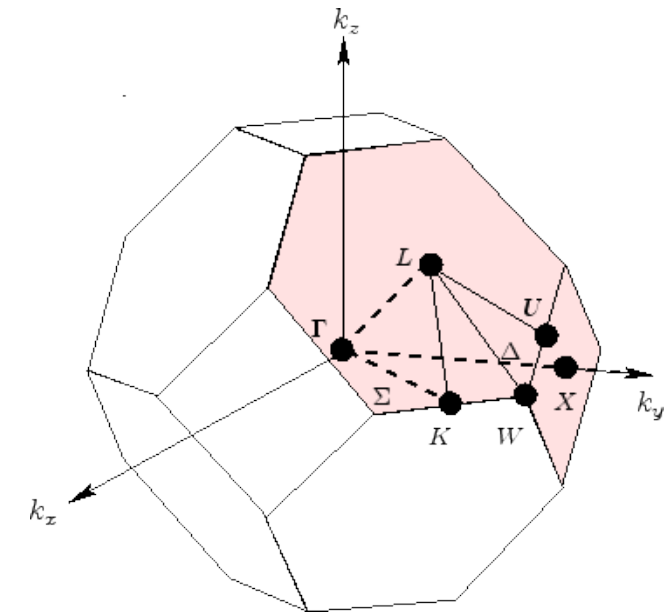


➤ Vibrations of a 3D Lattice (三维晶格的振动)

❖ Examples of lattice vibration spectrum (晶格振动谱) in real crystals:



NaCl (2 atoms per primitive cell)



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Summary (总结)

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➤ Summary (总结)

- ❖ The **4 approximations** made for modeling lattice vibrations.
- ❖ Lattice vibrations in a 1D **monoatomic** chain: **acoustical branch only**.
- ❖ Lattice vibrations in a 1D **diatomic** chain: **both acoustical and optical branches**.
- ❖ Lattice vibrations in a 3D lattice.

Chapter 3.1: 课后作业



考虑一维双原子链(1D diatomic chain):

- 1) 计算长波极限($q \rightarrow 0$)下声学支和光学支格波的色散关系 $\omega \sim q$;
- 2) 分析第一布里渊区边界处的振动特点;
- 3) 当 $m = M$ 时, 画出第一布里渊区内的色散关系 $\omega \sim q$, 并与一维单原子链(1D monoatomic chain) 的情形进行比较.

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