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- **Chapter 3.1**      Classical Lattice Vibrations (晶格振动的经典理论)
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- **Chapter 3.4**      Anharmonicity (非谐效应)

- To learn the **classical theory** of heat capacity in solids.
- To learn the **quantum theory** of heat capacity in solids.
- To understand the **Einstein model** and **Debye model**.



### Classical Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的经典理论)



## ➤ Heat Capacity (热容)

❖ **Heat capacity** is the amount of heat ( $Q$ ) needed to raise the temperature of an object to a certain range. In unit of **J/K**.

- **Heat Capacity at Constant Volume (定容热容):**  $C_V = \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial T}\right)_V$
- **Heat Capacity at Constant Pressure (定压热容):**  $C_P = \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial T}\right)_P$
- **Specific Heat Capacity (比热容):** The heat capacity per unit mass of a material.
- **Molar Heat Capacity (摩尔热容):** The heat capacity per unit amount of a pure material.

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## ➤ Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容)

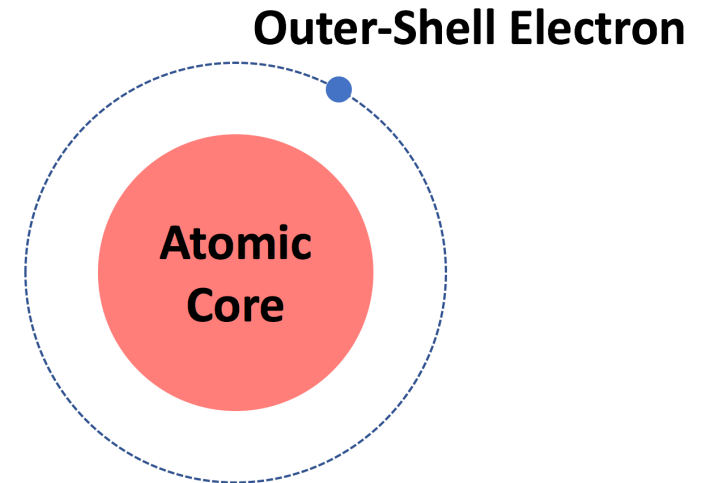
❖ The contributions to heat capacity in solids:

- Lattice Vibrations (晶格振动)

Have a **major contribution** at normal (not too low) temperatures.

- Electron Motions (电子运动)

Have little contribution except at **extremely low temperature** (e.g.,  $T < 3\text{K}$ ).

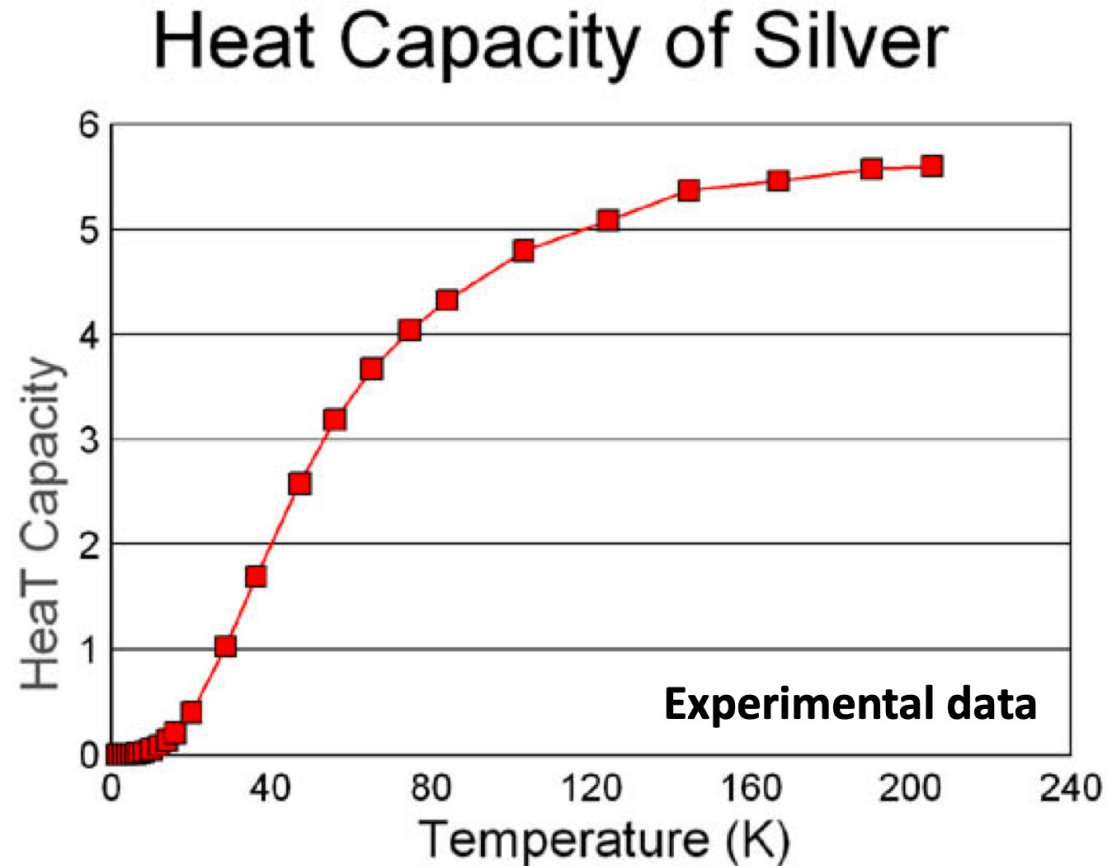


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## ➤ Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容)

❖ Temperature dependence of heat capacity in solids:



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## ➤ Classical Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的经典理论)

### ❖ Dulong-Petit Law (杜隆-珀蒂定律)

For a 3D lattice with  $N$  atoms, the heat capacity is:

$$C_V = 3Nk_B$$

$$C_V = \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial T} \right)_V = \left( \frac{\partial \bar{E}}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

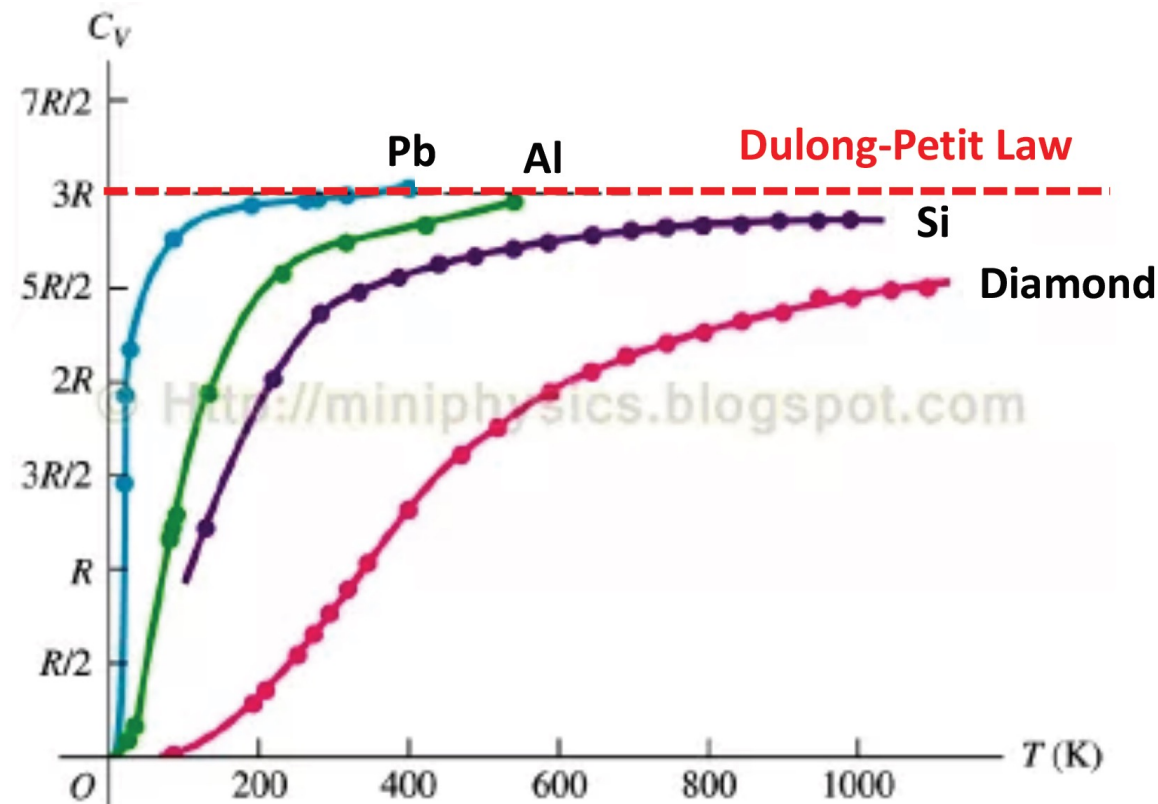
$\bar{E} = 3Nk_B T$  denotes the **average internal energy** (平均内能) of the lattice.

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## ➤ Classical Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的经典理论)

### ❖ Dulong-Petit Law (杜隆-珀蒂定律)



The gas constant  
 $R = N_A k_B$





# Quantum Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的量子理论)

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### ➤ Quantum Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的量子理论)

- ❖ For a 3D lattice with  $N$  atoms, in the harmonic approximation, the lattice vibrations can be described in terms of  $3N$  independent vibration modes (harmonic oscillators), of which the energies are quantized:

$$E_{n_j} = \left(n_j + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hbar \omega_j \quad n_j = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$
$$j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 3N$$

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### ➤ Quantum Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的量子理论)

❖ The **average energy** of the  $j$ th vibration mode:

$$\overline{E}_j = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega_j + \langle n_j \rangle \hbar \omega_j = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega_j + \frac{\hbar \omega_j}{e^{\beta \hbar \omega_j} - 1}$$

Here  $\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$

❖ The **total average energy** of the lattice vibrations:

$$\overline{E} = \sum_{j=1}^{3N} \overline{E}_j$$

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### ➤ Quantum Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的量子理论)

❖ The heat capacity as a result of lattice vibrations can be obtained as:

$$C_V = \left( \frac{\partial \bar{E}}{\partial T} \right)_V = \sum_{j=1}^{3N} \frac{d\bar{E}_j}{dT} = \int_0^{\omega_{\max}} k_B (\beta \hbar \omega)^2 \frac{e^{\beta \hbar \omega}}{(e^{\beta \hbar \omega} - 1)^2} g(\omega) d\omega$$

$g(\omega)$  denotes the **density of states** (态密度) of the vibration modes and satisfies:

$$\int_0^{\omega_{\max}} g(\omega) d\omega = 3N$$

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## ➤ Quantum Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的量子理论)

❖ The characteristics of  $C_V$  in **limiting cases** (极限情况):

- High-temperature limit ( $\beta\hbar\omega \ll 1$ ):

$$C_V \approx \int_0^{\omega_{\max}} k_B (\beta\hbar\omega)^2 \frac{1}{(1 + \beta\hbar\omega - 1)^2} g(\omega) d\omega = 3Nk_B \quad (\text{Dulong-Petit Law})$$

- Low-temperature limit ( $\beta\hbar\omega \gg 1$ ):

$$C_V \approx \int_0^{\omega_{\max}} k_B \frac{(\beta\hbar\omega)^2}{e^{\beta\hbar\omega}} g(\omega) d\omega \quad \longrightarrow \quad C_V \rightarrow 0 \text{ when } T \rightarrow 0 \text{ (or } \beta \rightarrow \infty)$$

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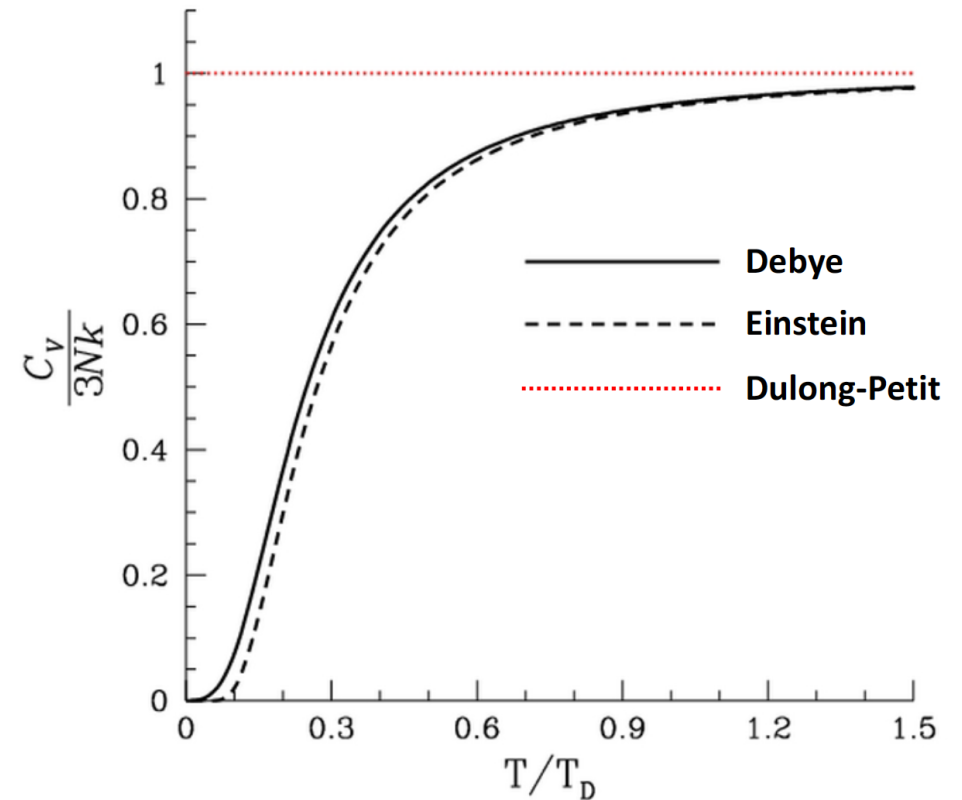


## ➤ Quantum Theory of Heat Capacity in Solids (固体热容的量子理论)

- ❖ To **quantitatively** calculate  $C_V$ , the key is to obtain  $g(\omega)$  that is usually difficult to accurately evaluate in real materials.

Two important models proposed to simplify the calculations of  $C_V$ :

- The Einstein model (爱因斯坦模型)
- The Debye model (德拜模型)





### The Einstein Model (爱因斯坦模型)

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## ➤ The Einstein Model (爱因斯坦模型)

- ❖ The Einstein model assumes that all the vibration modes of the lattice have the same frequency (**Einstein frequency 爱因斯坦频率**), i.e.,  $\hbar\omega_j = \hbar\omega_E$ .



In the Einstein model, **each atom** of the lattice represents an **independent harmonic oscillator**!



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### ➤ The Einstein Model (爱因斯坦模型)

❖ The **total average energy** of the lattice vibrations (omitting the zero-point energy):

$$\bar{E} = \sum_{j=1}^{3N} \bar{E}_j = 3N\bar{E}_j = 3N \frac{\hbar\omega_E}{e^{\beta\hbar\omega_E} - 1}$$

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### ➤ The Einstein Model (爱因斯坦模型)

❖ The heat capacity can be obtained as:

$$C_V = \left( \frac{\partial \bar{E}}{\partial T} \right)_V = 3Nk_B f_E \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_E}{k_B T} \right)$$

where  $f_E \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_E}{k_B T} \right)$  denotes the **Einstein heat capacity function** (爱因斯坦热容函数):

$$f_E \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_E}{k_B T} \right) = \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_E}{k_B T} \right)^2 \frac{e^{\hbar\omega_E/k_B T}}{(e^{\hbar\omega_E/k_B T} - 1)^2}$$

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## ➤ The Einstein Model (爱因斯坦模型)

❖ By introducing the **Einstein temperature** (爱因斯坦温度)  $T_E = \hbar\omega_E/k_B$ , we obtain:

$$C_V = 3Nk_B \left( \frac{T_E}{T} \right)^2 \frac{e^{T_E/T}}{(e^{T_E/T} - 1)^2}$$

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## ➤ The Einstein Model (爱因斯坦模型)

❖ The limiting cases:

- High-temperature limit ( $T_E/T \ll 1$ ):  $C_V \approx 3Nk_B$

- Low-temperature limit ( $T_E/T \gg 1$ ):  $C_V \approx 3Nk_B \left(\frac{T_E}{T}\right)^2 e^{-T_E/T}$

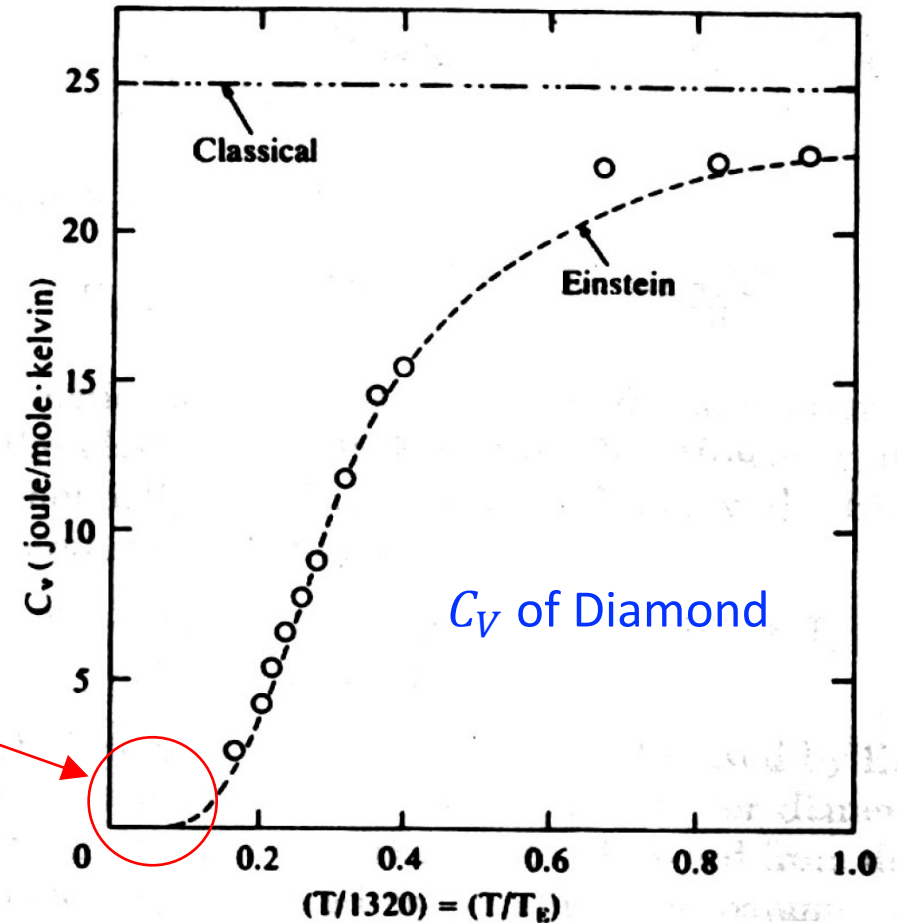
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## ➤ The Einstein Model (爱因斯坦模型)

❖ Problem with the Einstein model:

The Einstein model works very well except at very low temperature where **it fails to predict  $C_V \propto T^3$** .





### The Debye Model (德拜模型)

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- ❖ The Debye model overcomes the problem with the Einstein model by assuming a **linear dispersion** of the vibration frequency, i.e., **elastic waves (弹性波)**.

$$\omega = cq$$

where  $c$  denotes the group velocity of the lattice waves.

- ❖ In a 3D lattice, there are 1 branch of longitudinal waves (纵波) and 2 branches of transverse waves (横波):

$$\omega = c_L q \quad (1 \text{ branch})$$

$$\omega = c_T q \quad (2 \text{ branches})$$

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## ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

❖ The **density of states** can be obtained as:

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

$V$  denotes the total volume of the crystal and  $\frac{1}{\bar{c}^3} = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{1}{c_L^3} + \frac{2}{c_T^3} \right)$



### ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

- ❖ A maximum of the vibration frequency (**Debye frequency 德拜频率**), i.e.,  $\omega_D$ , has to be introduced such that the following equation is satisfied:

$$\int_0^{\omega_D} g(\omega) d\omega = \frac{3V}{2\pi^2 \bar{c}^3} \int_0^{\omega_D} \omega^2 d\omega = 3N$$

$$\longrightarrow \omega_D = \bar{c} \left[ 6\pi^2 \left( \frac{N}{V} \right) \right]^{1/3}$$

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### ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

❖ The heat capacity can be obtained as:

$$C_V = 3Nk_B f_D \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T} \right)$$

where  $f_D \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T} \right)$  denotes the **Debye heat capacity function** (德拜热容函数):

$$f_D \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T} \right) = 3 \left( \frac{k_B T}{\hbar\omega_D} \right)^3 \int_0^{\hbar\omega_D/k_B T} \frac{e^x x^4}{(e^x - 1)^2} dx$$

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### ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

❖ By introducing the **Debye temperature** (德拜温度)  $T_D = \hbar\omega_D/k_B$ , we obtain:

$$C_V = 9Nk_B \left(\frac{T}{T_D}\right)^3 \int_0^{T_D/T} \frac{e^x x^4}{(e^x - 1)^2} dx$$

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## ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

❖ The limiting cases:

- High-temperature limit ( $T_D/T \ll 1$ ):  $C_V \approx 3Nk_B$

- Low-temperature limit ( $T_D/T \gg 1$ ):  $C_V = \frac{12\pi^4}{5} Nk_B \left(\frac{T}{T_D}\right)^3$

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## ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

❖ The Debye  $T^3$  law (德拜  $T^3$  定律):

$$C_V \propto T^3 \text{ when } T \rightarrow 0$$

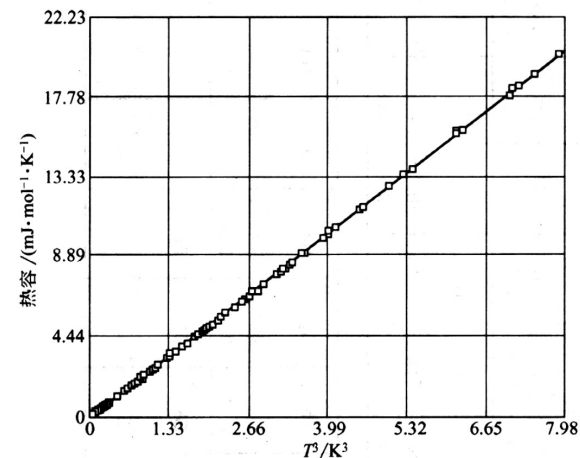
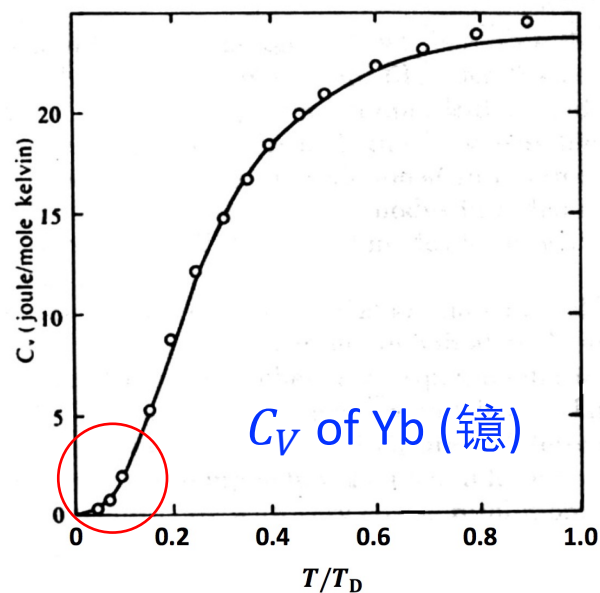


图9 固态氩的低温比热容对  $T^3$  的依赖关系曲线。在这个温度区间，实验结果与德拜的  $T^3$  律符合极佳。这里取  $\theta=92.0\text{K}$ 。引自 L. Finegold 和 N. E. Phillips。

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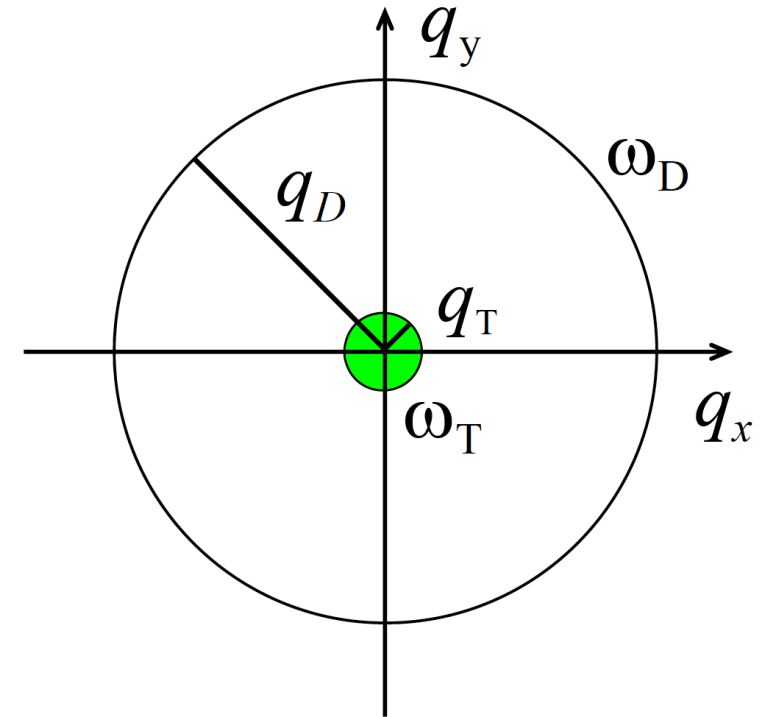


## ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

### ❖ The Debye $T^3$ law (德拜 $T^3$ 定律):

- At very low temperature  $T$ , only the long-wave phonons with energy  $\hbar\omega < k_B T$  can be excited and have significant contributions to the heat capacity.
- The fraction of the excited long-wave phonons is proportional to the heat capacity:

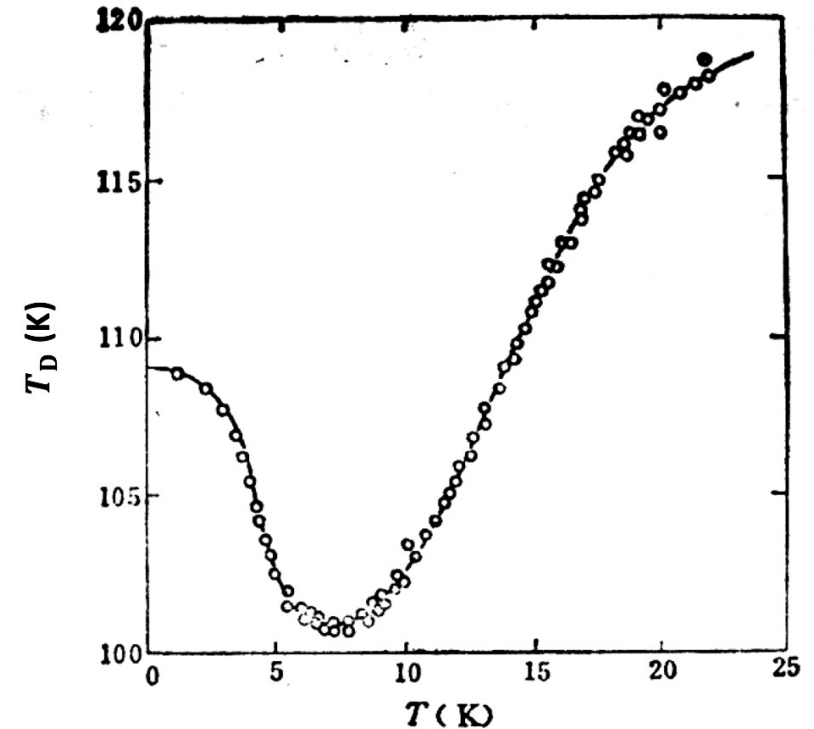
$$C_V \propto \left(\frac{q_T}{q_D}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{\omega_T}{\omega_D}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{T}{T_D}\right)^3$$



## ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

### ❖ Problems with the Debye model:

- For a specific material, the Debye temperature  $T_D$  obtained at different temperatures is usually different, indicating that the Debye model is still not very accurate for the calculations of  $C_V$ .
- To accurately calculate  $C_V$ , detailed information of  $g(\omega)$  is needed!



The Debye temperature of In (铟) as a function of temperature.

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## ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

❖ The Debye temperature of some real materials:

Element	Au	Ag	Cu	Fe	Al	Ca	Si	Hg	K	C Diamond	B	Be
$T_D$ (K)	165	225	343	470	428	230	645	71.9	91	2230	1250	1440

Most materials have a Debye temperature of  $T_D \approx 200 \sim 400$  K, which corresponds to a Debye frequency of  $\omega_D \approx 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

**The classical theory of lattice vibrations works when  $T > T_D$ !**

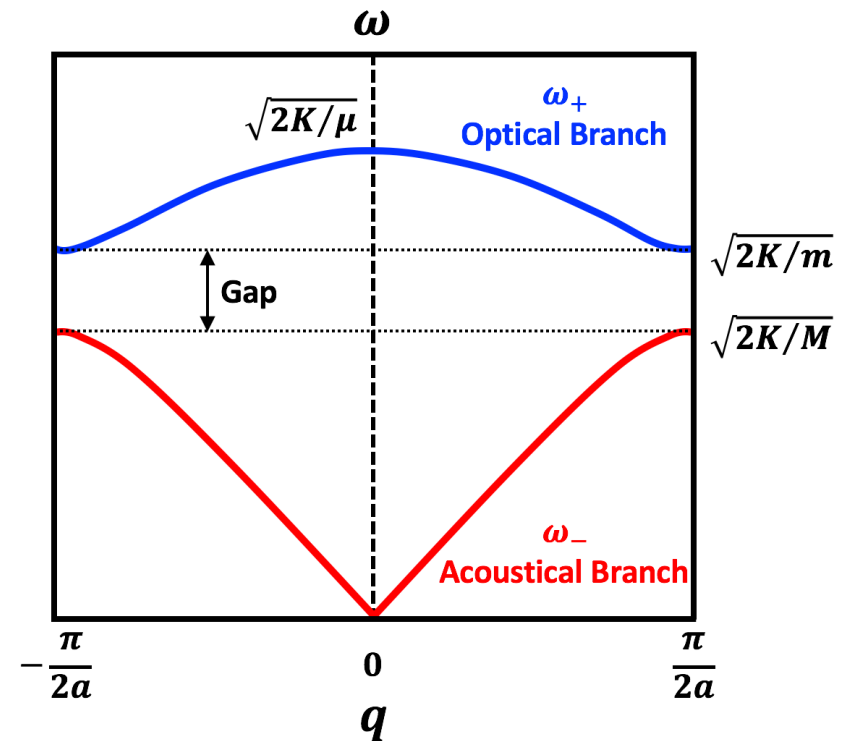
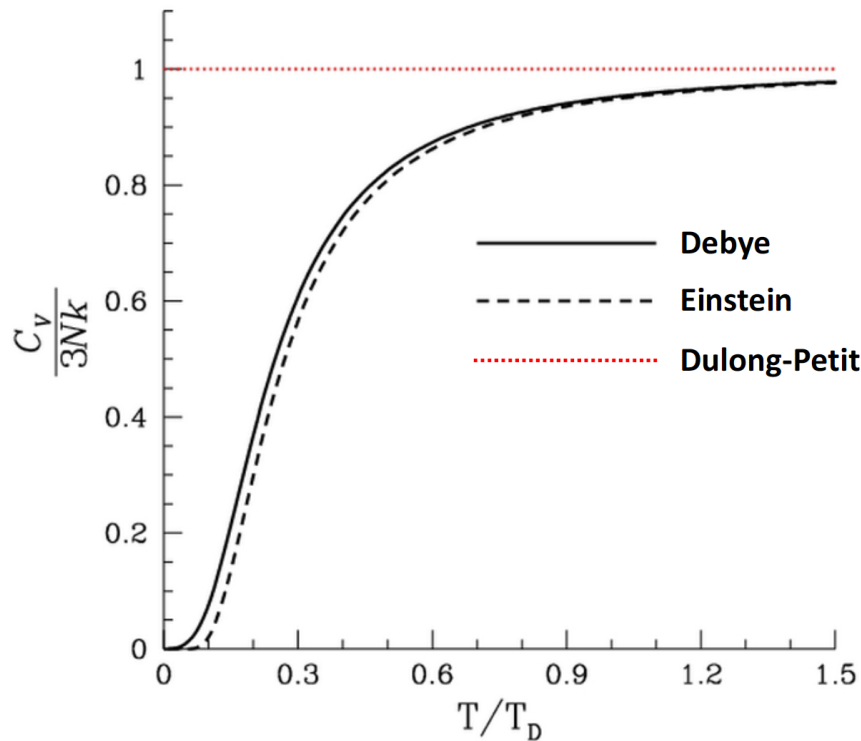


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## ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

❖ Comparison between the three models of heat capacity :



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## ➤ The Debye Model (德拜模型)

❖ Comparison between the three models of heat capacity :

Model	Debye	Einstein	Dulong-Petit
<b>Merit</b> 优点	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Working at both low and high temperature;</li><li>2. Working at very low temperature (<math>T \rightarrow 0</math>).</li></ol>	Working at both low and high temperature.	Working at high temperature ( $T > T_D$ ).
<b>Drawback</b> 缺点	Not accurate enough for real materials.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Not working at very low temperature (<math>T \rightarrow 0</math>);</li><li>2. Not very accurate for real materials.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Not working at low temperature (<math>T &lt; T_D</math>);</li><li>2. Not accurate for real materials.</li></ol>



### Density of States (态密度)



### ➤ Density of States (态密度)

- ❖ In general, density of states (**DOS**) is defined as the **number of states per interval of energy** (单位能量间隔内的状态数).
- ❖ In particular, the DOS for lattice vibrations is defined as the number of vibration modes  $\Delta n$  per interval of frequency  $\Delta \omega$ :

$$g(\omega) = \lim_{\Delta \omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta \omega} = \frac{dn}{d\omega}$$

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## ➤ Density of States (态密度)

❖ In the case of 3D:

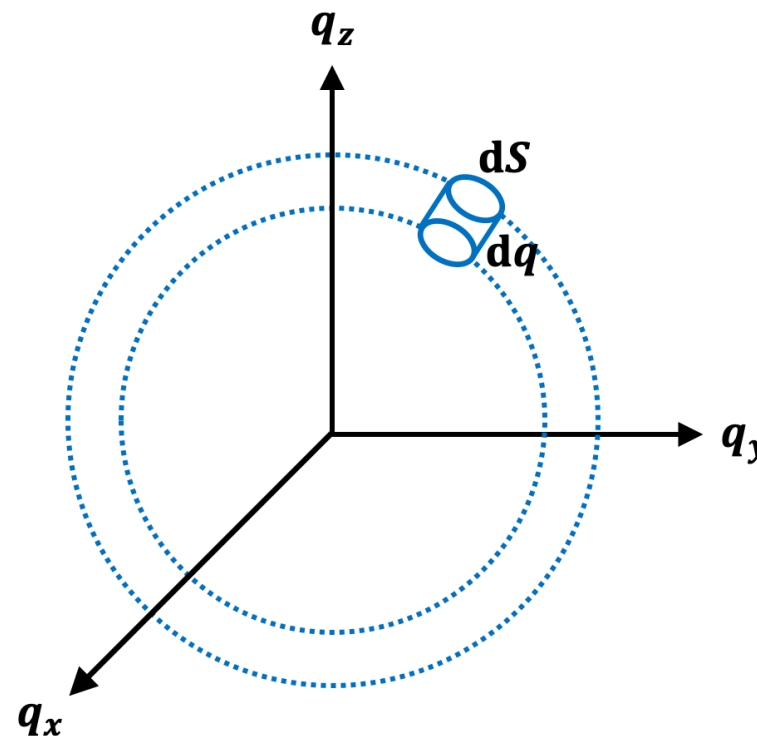
$$dn = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \oint dS dq$$

$$d\omega = dq |\nabla_q \omega_q|$$

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$$g(\omega) = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \oint \frac{dS}{|\nabla_q \omega_q|}$$

$V$  denotes the total volume of the crystal.



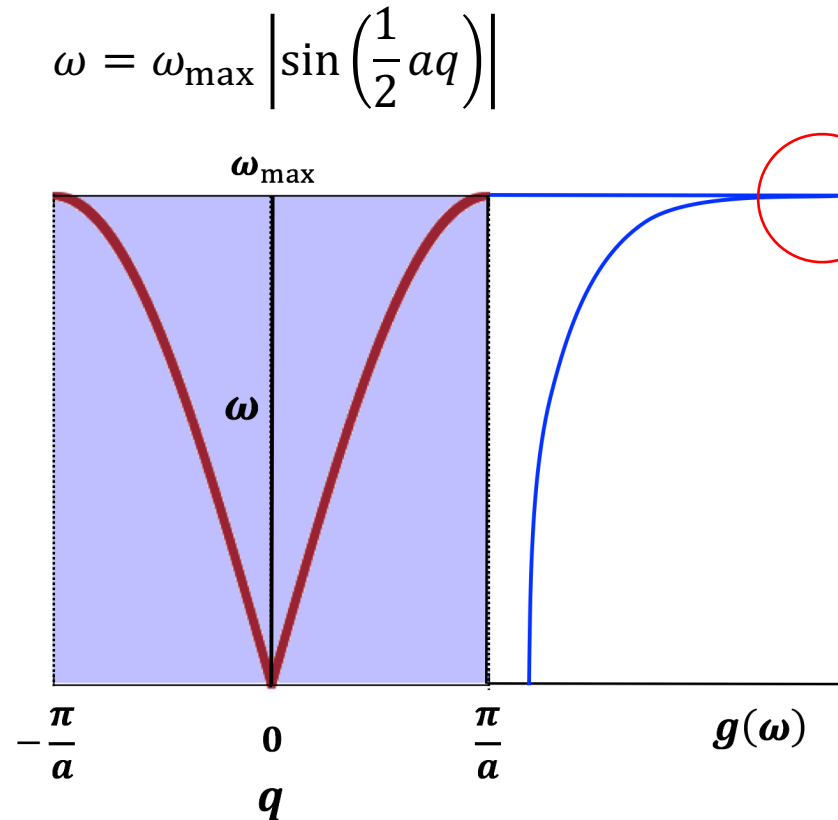
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## ➤ Density of States (态密度)

❖ **Example:** DOS of a 1D monoatomic chain

$$\begin{aligned} g(\omega) &= \frac{dn}{d\omega} = \frac{dn}{dq} \frac{dq}{d\omega} \\ &= 2 \times \frac{Na}{2\pi} \frac{1}{d\omega/dq} \\ &= \frac{2N}{\pi} (\omega_{\max}^2 - \omega^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$



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## ➤ Density of States (态密度)

### ❖ Example: DOS of real materials

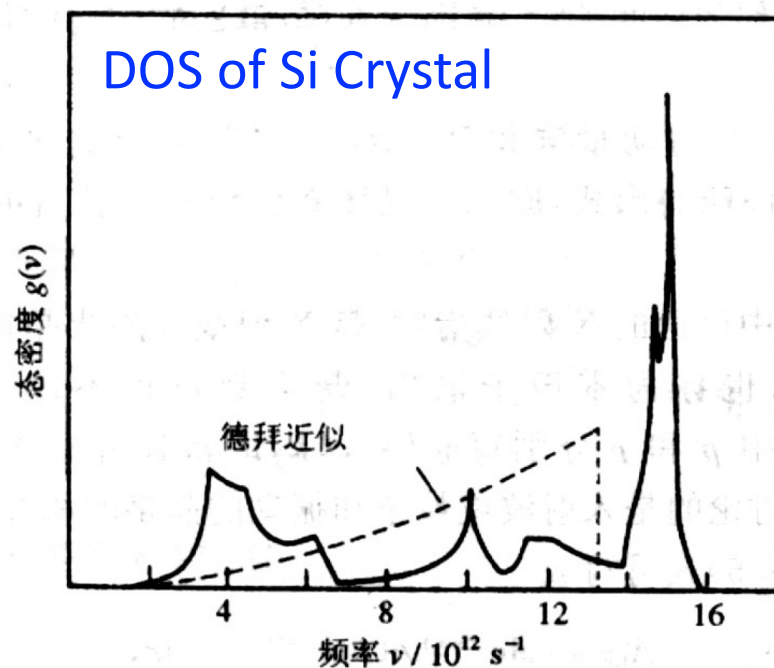
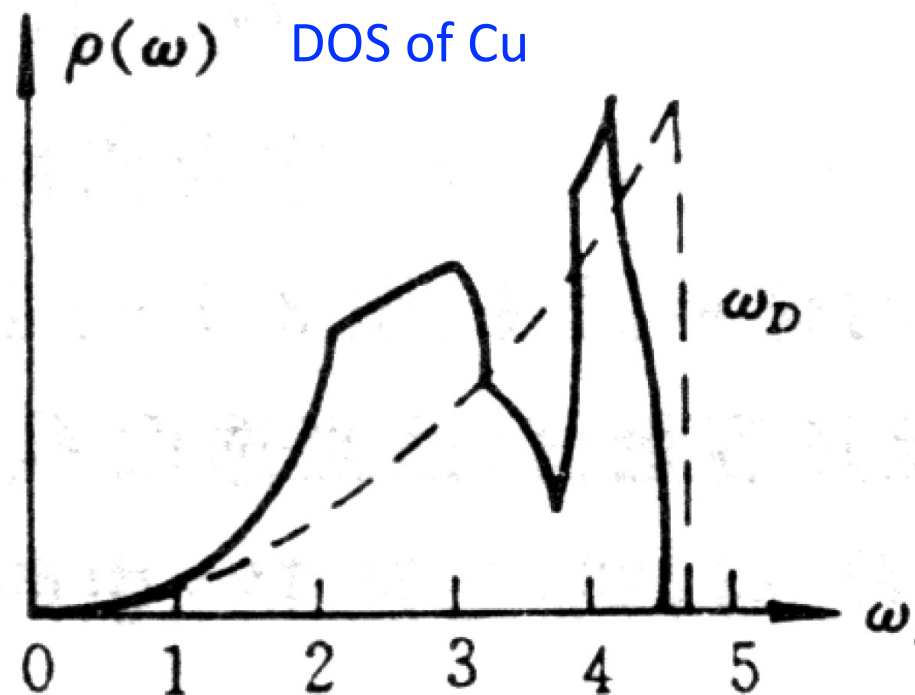


图 5.7 硅的声子态密度, 其中  $\nu = \omega / 2\pi$



## ➤ Density of States (态密度)

### ❖ DOS of noncrystalline solids (非晶固体的态密度)

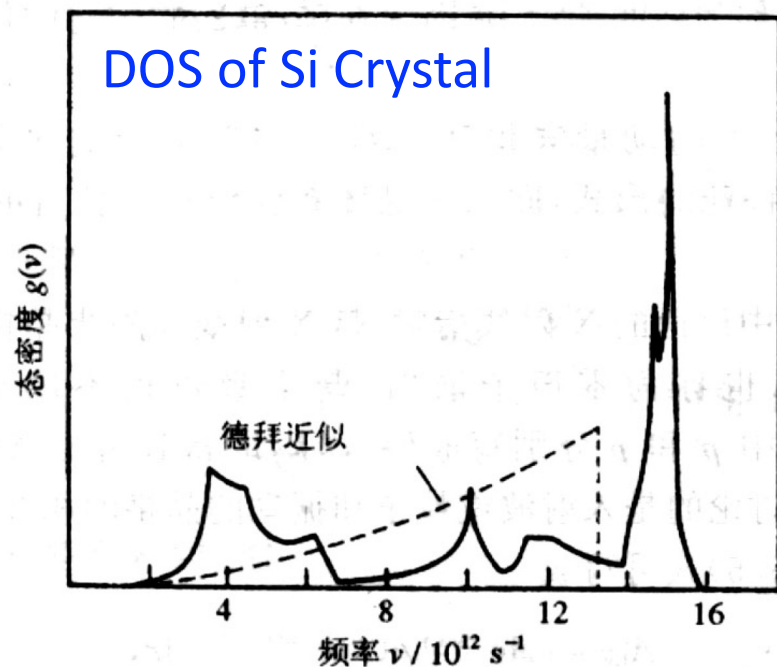
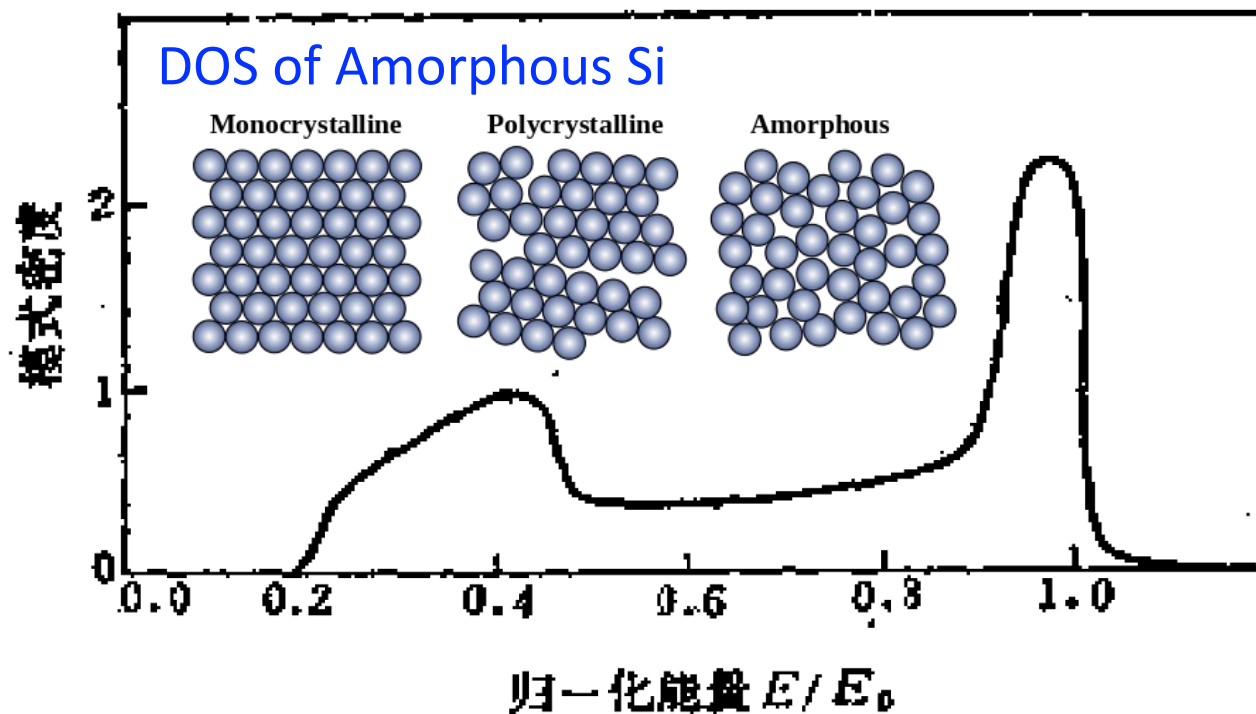


图 5.7 硅的声子态密度, 其中  $\nu = \omega/2\pi$







### Summary (总结)

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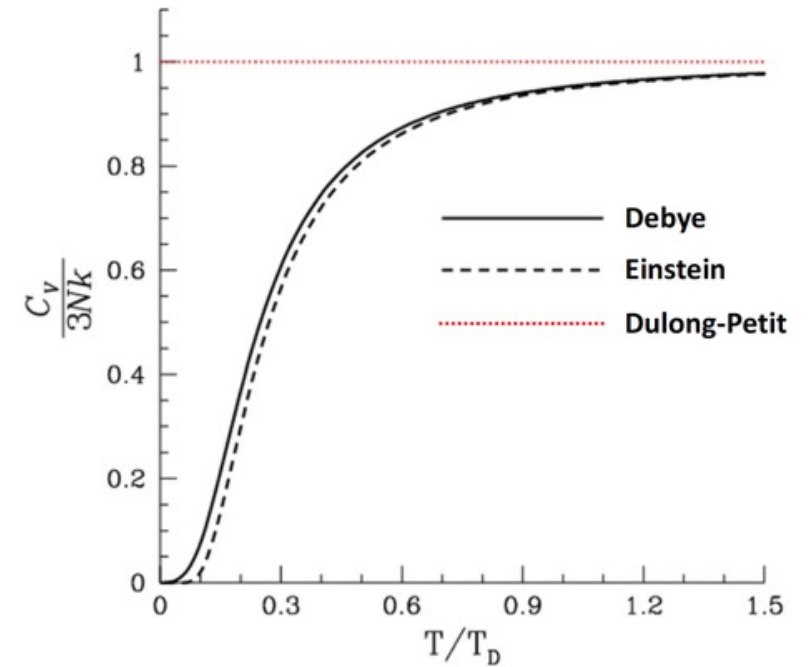
## ➤ Summary (总结)

### ❖ Classical theory of heat capacity in solids:

The Dulong-Petit model

### ❖ Quantum theory of heat capacity in solids:

- 1) The Einstein model
- 2) The Debye model





设晶体中每个振动模的零点振动能为 $\frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega$ ，使用德拜模型和爱因斯坦模型分别求晶体的零点振动能。

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