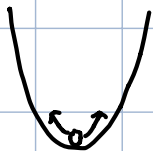


Chapter 2 Specific Heat of Solids: Boltzmann, Einstein and Debye.

Solid: $C = 3k_B$ (per atom) ($C_p \approx C_v$ because $C_p - C_v = \frac{V T \alpha^2}{\beta}$) small for solid.

Dulong-Petit Theorem

Boltzmann:



p_x, p_y, p_z — kinetic
 x, y, z — potential

equipartition theorem

↓ not hold at low temperature

Einstein: Boltzmann's Model + QM

1-D: $E_n = \hbar\omega (n + \frac{1}{2})$ $\omega = \sqrt{k/m}$ Einstein frequency

partition function: $Z = \sum \exp(-\beta \hbar\omega (n + \frac{1}{2})) = \frac{e^{-\beta \hbar\omega / 2}}{1 - e^{-\beta \hbar\omega}} = \frac{1}{2 \sinh(\beta \hbar\omega / 2)}$

$\langle E \rangle = -\frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial \beta} = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2} \coth(\frac{\beta \hbar\omega}{2}) = \hbar\omega (n_B(\beta \hbar\omega) + \frac{1}{2})$

↑ Bose occupation factor $n_B(x) = \frac{1}{e^x - 1}$

$C = \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T} = k_B (\beta \hbar\omega)^2 \frac{e^{\beta \hbar\omega}}{(e^{\beta \hbar\omega} - 1)^2}$

3-D: $E = \hbar\omega (n_x + n_y + n_z + 3/2)$

$Z = Z_1^3$

$C = 3k_B (\beta \hbar\omega)^2 \frac{e^{\beta \hbar\omega}}{(e^{\beta \hbar\omega} - 1)^2}$

→ $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow 0} C = 3k_B$ high T

$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} C = 0$ low T

The temperature is less than the space between the eigenstates, so freeze at the bottom state.

Most cases: $\omega < \text{room temperature}$

diamond: $\omega > \text{room temperature}$ Reason: 1° Bonding is strong.

2° atomic mass is small (carbon)

$\omega = \sqrt{k/m}$

↓ At very low temperature, $C \sim T^3$
rather than exponentially small (Einstein predicted)

Debye: the oscillation of atoms is the same thing as sound (wave, interaction)

Handle the wave just like Planck quantized light.

Difference: light: 2 polarizations,
transverse modes.

sound: 3 polarizations,
longitudinal modes.

Assumption: The transverse and longitudinal modes have the same velocity.

i.e. v_{sound} is independent of direction. **isotropic.**

Periodic Boundary Conditions (Born-von Karman)

$$\text{---} \xrightarrow{L} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \longrightarrow \text{---} \xrightarrow{L} e^{ik \cdot x}$$

$$e^{ikx} = e^{ik(x+L)} \Rightarrow k = \frac{2\pi n}{L}$$

spacing between allowed
 k 's is $\frac{2\pi}{L}$.

$$E_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{\vec{k}} \hbar \omega \left(n_{\vec{k}}(\beta \hbar \omega) + \frac{1}{2} \right) \longrightarrow \text{3-D: } \sum_{\vec{k}} \rightarrow \frac{L^3}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3 \vec{k} = V \int \frac{d^3 \vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3}$$

$\frac{L}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk \dots$

most physical quantities we measure can be measured
far from the boundaries of the sample anyway and would then
be independent of what we do with the boundary conditions.

Debye: $\sum_{\text{modes}} = 3 \sum_{\vec{k}} = 3V \int \frac{d^3 \vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \stackrel{\text{isotropic}}{=} \frac{3V}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^\infty 4\pi k^2 dk$

$\stackrel{k=v\omega}{=} \frac{3V \cdot 4\pi}{(2\pi)^3 \cdot v^3} \int_0^\infty \omega^2 d\omega \equiv \int_0^\infty g(\omega) d\omega$

$$g(\omega) = \frac{12\pi}{(2\pi)^3 v^3} \frac{N}{N/V} \omega^2 = N \frac{9\omega^2}{\omega_d^3}$$

= Density of states

$g(\omega)d\omega = \# \text{ of modes with frequency}$

between ω & $\omega+d\omega$

$$\omega_d = 6\pi^2 \left(\frac{N}{V}\right)^{1/3} v^3 \quad \text{Debye frequency.}$$

$$\langle E \rangle = 3 \sum \hbar \omega(\vec{k}) \left(n_B(\beta \hbar \omega(\vec{k})) + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= 3 \frac{L^3}{(2\pi)^3} \int d\vec{k} \hbar \omega(\vec{k}) \left(n_B + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= 3 \frac{L^3}{(2\pi)^3} \int 4\pi k^2 dk \hbar \omega(\vec{k}) \left(n_B + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3L^3 \cdot 4\pi}{(2\pi)^3} \int \omega^2 d\omega \left(\frac{1}{v^3} \right) \hbar \omega \left(n_B + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty d\omega g(\omega) \hbar \omega \left(n_B(\beta \hbar \omega) + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Cause infinity but temperature independent

so doesn't influence $C = \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T}$

$$= \frac{9N\hbar}{\omega_d^3} \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega^3}{e^{\beta \hbar \omega} - 1} d\omega + T \text{ independent constant}$$

$$= \frac{9N\hbar}{\omega_d^3 (\beta \hbar)^4} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^3}{e^x - 1} dx + T \text{ independent constant}$$

$$= 9N \frac{(k_B T)^4}{(\hbar \omega_d)^3} \cdot \boxed{\frac{\pi^4}{15}} + T \text{ independent constant}$$

zero-point energy

$$\langle E \rangle \sim T^4 + \text{constant} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C = \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T} \sim T^3$$

The important thing is that there is

NO FREE PARAMETER!

$$k_B T_{\text{Debye}} = \hbar \omega_d$$

$$C = \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T} = N k_B \frac{T^3}{T_D^3} \frac{12\pi^4}{5}$$

Theoretically: $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} C = 3k_B$. Contradictory!!! Introduce ω_{cutoff} .

$$\int_0^\infty g(\omega) d\omega = \text{infinity.}$$

$$\langle E \rangle = \int_0^{\omega_c} d\omega g(\omega) \hbar \omega n_B(\beta \hbar \omega) \quad \text{drop } \frac{1}{2} \text{ because temperature independent}$$

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \langle E \rangle = k_B T \int_0^{\omega_c} d\omega g(\omega) \Rightarrow$$

$$= 3N k_B T$$

$$3N = \int_0^{\omega_c} g(\omega) d\omega = \frac{9N}{\omega_d^3} \int_0^{\omega_c} \omega^2 d\omega = 3N \frac{\omega_c^3}{\omega_d^3} \Rightarrow \omega_c = \omega_d$$

Shortcomings: 1° the introduction of ω_c : ad hoc

2° $\omega = v k$ no longer holds at high T

3° The Debye theory is not exact at intermediate T (exp.)

4° $C = \gamma T + \alpha T^3$ at low T .