

Physics 4243/5243
In class Exercise
Monday March 23rd

Problem 1:

Find the first two Brillouin zones for the two-dimensional hexagonal lattice. Show the contours of constant E for free electrons and indicate whether they are electron-like or hole like orbits.

Problem 2: (This online one slightly different than the one from class, but you get the idea.)

a) Sketch the Fermi contour for a 2D solid with a simple square lattice using the nearly free electron model and assuming one electron per atom.

b) Now suppose there is a low temperature phase transition in which all the atoms are displaced by a small amount u to the positions indicated by x s. How does the Fermi contour change? Sketch it.

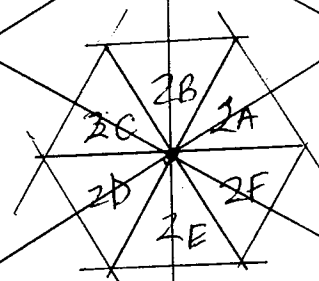
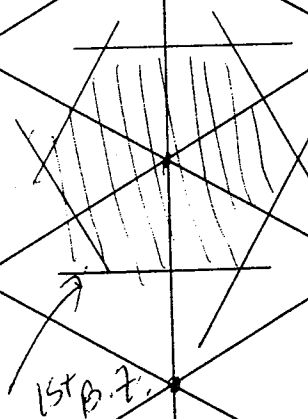
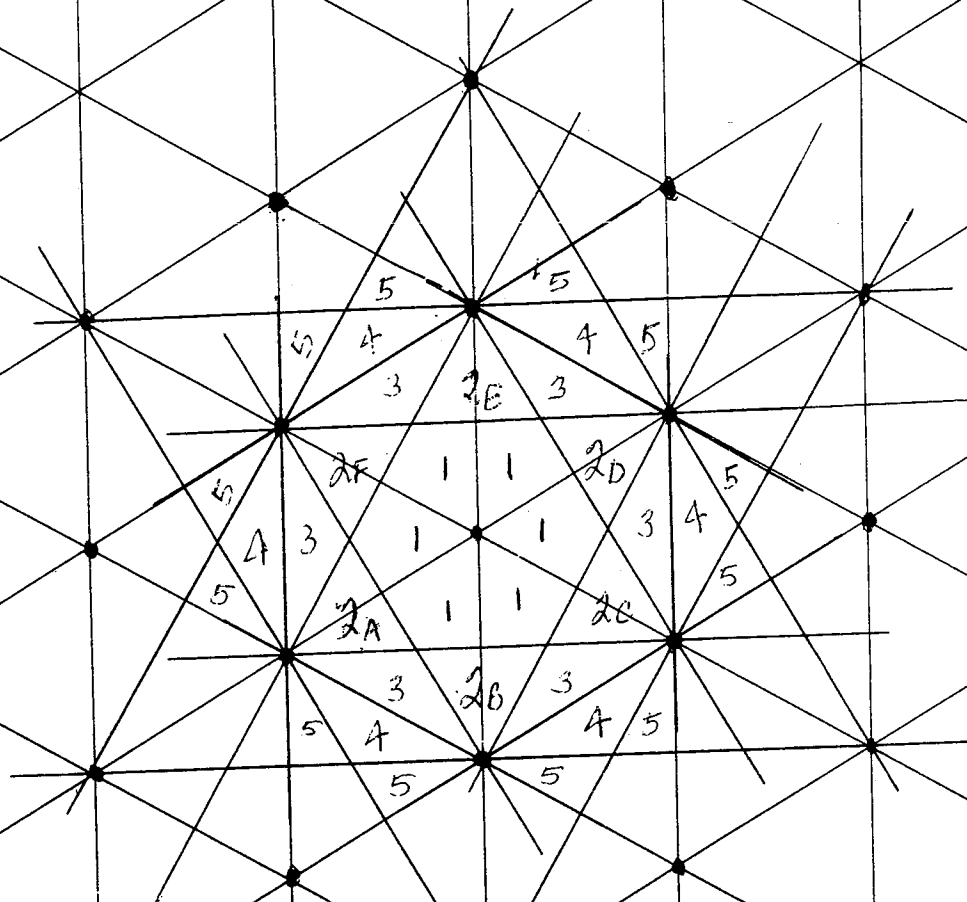
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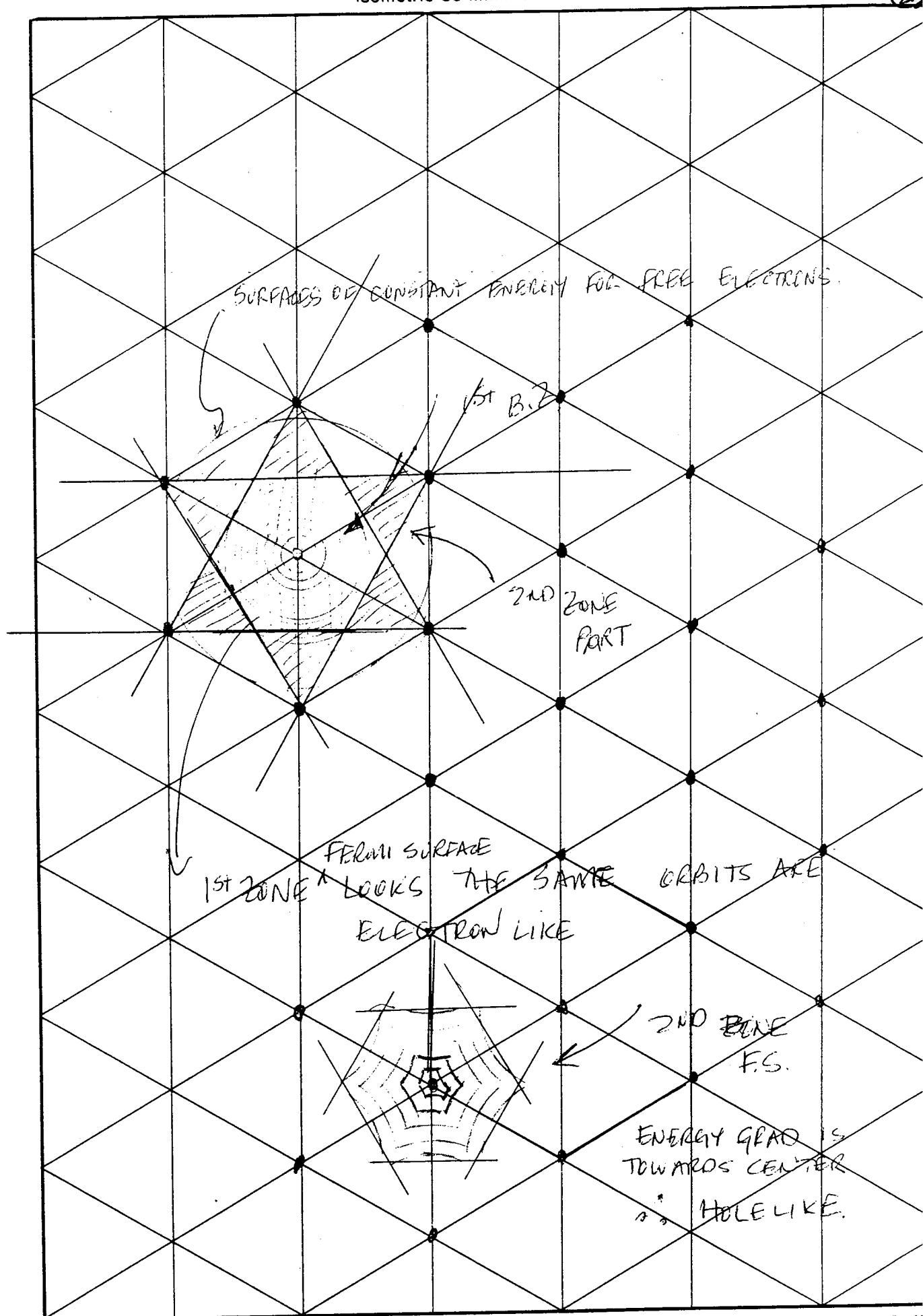
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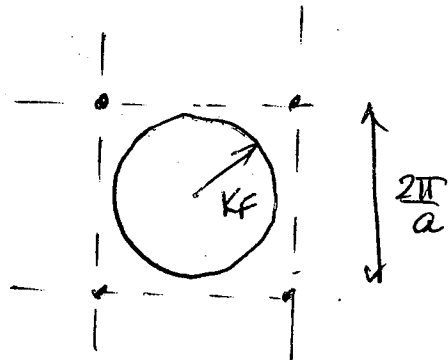
PROBLEM 1





Problem 2

For undistorted lattice



$$k_F = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{a} = 0.798 \frac{\pi}{a}$$

in r.l.s

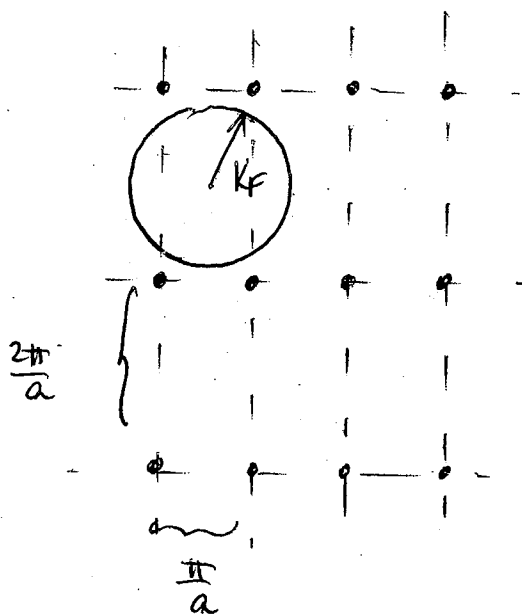
Completely
inside
1st BZ.

de Haas - van Alphen would just show oscillations

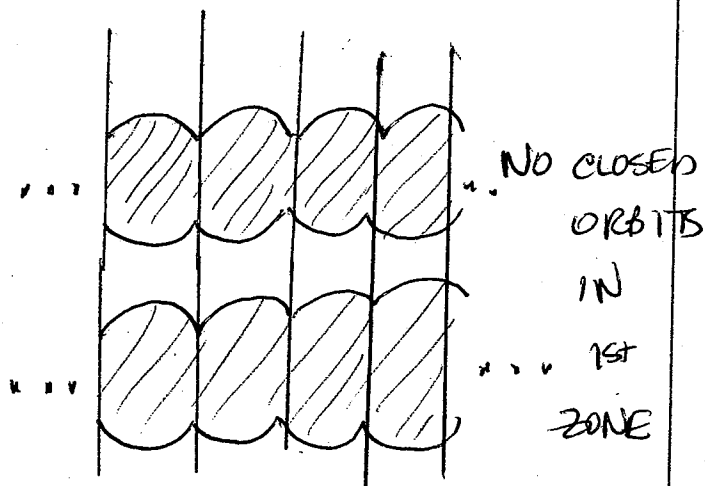
$$\frac{1}{AB} = \frac{2\pi e}{hc S}$$

$$\text{where } S = \pi k_F^2$$

For distorted lattice



Same k_F but now it spills
into second BZ in \hat{x} direction

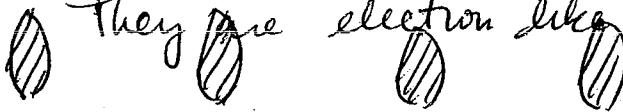


But in second zone there are closed orbits

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They are electron like orbits



And there is an oscillation in $\frac{1}{\Delta B} = \frac{2\pi e}{hc S}$

where S is the size of the

