

0.1 Expression de τ^{c-LO}

Step 1 Carrier - phonon : From the Fermi Golden Rule to the interaction rate

The Fermi Golden Rule gives the rate of phonons absorption / emission through their interactions with carriers at temperature T . These expressions can be used in a detailed balance on phonon populations :

$$\frac{dN_{\mathbf{q}}}{dt} \Big)_{c-LO} \simeq \frac{4\pi}{\hbar} |M_{\mathbf{q}}|^2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (N_{\mathbf{q}} + 1) f_{\mathbf{k}} (1 - f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}) \delta(E_k - E_{k-q} - \hbar\omega_q) \\ - N_{\mathbf{q}} f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} (1 - f_{\mathbf{k}}) \delta(E_k - E_{k-q} - \hbar\omega_q) \quad (1)$$

where $N_{\mathbf{q}}$ is the actual phonon population of mode \mathbf{q} and $|M_{\mathbf{q}}|^2$ is the interaction matrix element.

To do so, we need to calculate the quantity

$$A = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (N_{\mathbf{q}} + 1) f_{\mathbf{k}} (1 - f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}) \delta(E_k - E_{k-q} - \hbar\omega_q) \\ - N_{\mathbf{q}} f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} (1 - f_{\mathbf{k}}) \delta(E_k - E_{k-q} - \hbar\omega_q)$$

where the dispersion relation is assumed to be that of free particles

$$E_k - E_{k-q} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (k^2 - (k^2 + q^2 - 2\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{q})) \\ = \frac{\hbar^2}{m} kq \cos\theta - \frac{\hbar^2 q^2}{2m}$$

and we define θ in the spherical coordinates by taking the z-axis along \mathbf{q} .

We change the sum to an integral using the density of state

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow \int d^3\mathbf{k} \rho(\mathbf{k}) = \left(\frac{L}{2\pi}\right)^3 \int d^3\mathbf{k}$$

hence

$$A = \frac{L^3}{8\pi^3} \int k^2 dk \sin\theta d\theta d\varphi [(N_{\mathbf{q}} + 1) f_{\mathbf{k}} (1 - f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}) - N_{\mathbf{q}} f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} (1 - f_{\mathbf{k}})] \\ \times \delta\left(\frac{\hbar^2}{m} kq \cos\theta - \frac{\hbar^2 q^2}{2m} - \hbar\omega_q\right) \\ = \frac{L^3}{8\pi^3} 2\pi \int_0^\infty k^2 dk \int_{-1}^1 d(\cos\theta) \frac{m}{\hbar^2 kq} [(N_{\mathbf{q}} + 1) f_{\mathbf{k}} (1 - f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}) - N_{\mathbf{q}} f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} (1 - f_{\mathbf{k}})] \\ \times \delta\left(\cos\theta - \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{q}{2} + \frac{m\omega_q}{\hbar q}\right)\right)$$

where we used $\delta(ax) = a^{-1}\delta(x)$. The delta function will keep only a single value of θ such that $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{q}{2} + \frac{m\omega_q}{\hbar q}\right)$ - which is only possible if $k \geq \frac{q}{2} + \frac{m\omega_q}{\hbar q} = k_{\min}$; and for this specific value of θ , $E_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (k^2 + q^2 - 2kq \cos\theta) = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} - \hbar\omega_q$. As a result, $f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}$ takes value

$$f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{E_k}{k_B T} - \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{k_B T} - \frac{\mu_n}{k_B T}\right) + 1} = f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q}$$

where we note $\epsilon_k = E_k/kT$ and $\epsilon_q = \hbar\omega_q/kT$. By contrast, $f_{\mathbf{k}} = f_{\epsilon_k}$ is independent of θ and can be taken

out of the integral over θ . We have therefore

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{mL^3}{4\hbar^2 q\pi^2} \int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} kdk \left[(N_q + 1) f_{\epsilon_k} (1 - f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q}) - N_q f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q} (1 - f_{\epsilon_k}) \right] \\ &= \frac{mL^3}{4\hbar^2 q\pi^2} \int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} kdk \left[f_{\epsilon_k} (1 - f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q}) - N_q (f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q} - f_{\epsilon_k}) \right] \\ &= \frac{m^2 L^3 k_B T}{4\hbar^4 q\pi^2} \int_{\epsilon_{\min}}^{\infty} d\epsilon \left[f_{\epsilon} (1 - f_{\epsilon - \epsilon_q}) - N_q (f_{\epsilon - \epsilon_q} - f_{\epsilon}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

where we used the variable change $\epsilon = \frac{1}{k_B T} \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} \rightarrow kdk = \frac{mk_B T}{\hbar^2} d\epsilon$. Finally, using the same trick as Wurfel's derivation of the GPL, we express:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\epsilon_k} (1 - f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q}) &= \frac{f_{\epsilon_k} (1 - f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q})}{f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q} - f_{\epsilon_k}} \times (f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q} - f_{\epsilon_k}) \\ &= \frac{1}{e^{\frac{\hbar\omega_q}{k_B T}} - 1} \times (f_{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q} - f_{\epsilon_k}) \end{aligned}$$

where we recognize $(e^{\hbar\omega_q} - 1)^{-1}$ as the thermal occupation factor $N_q(T)$. We can finally conclude from eq. 1 to get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dN_q}{dt} \Big|_{c-LO} &\simeq (N_q(T) - N_q) \times 2 \times \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |M_q|^2 \frac{m^2 L^3 k_B T}{4\hbar^4 q\pi^2} \int_{\epsilon_{\min}}^{\infty} d\epsilon f_{\epsilon - \epsilon_q} - f_{\epsilon} \\ &= \frac{N_q(T) - N_q}{\tau} \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\tau} &= |M_q|^2 \frac{m^2 L^3 k_B T}{\hbar^5 q\pi} \int_0^{\infty} d\epsilon f_{\epsilon + \epsilon_{\min} - \epsilon_q} - f_{\epsilon + \epsilon_{\min}} \\ &= |M_q|^2 \frac{m^2 L^3 k_B T}{\hbar^5 q\pi} \ln \left(\frac{\exp \left(\frac{E_{\min} - \mu}{kT} \right) + 1}{\exp \left(\frac{E_{\min} - \hbar\omega_q - \mu}{kT} \right) + 1} \right) \\ &= |M_q|^2 \frac{m^2 L^3 k_B T}{\hbar^5 q\pi} \ln \left(\frac{1 + \exp \left(-\frac{E_{\min} - \hbar\omega_q - \mu}{kT} \right)}{1 + \exp \left(-\frac{E_{\min} - \mu}{kT} \right)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Step 2 Carrier - phonon : Simplify the expression for the interaction rate

Using the expression of $E_{\min} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{q}{2} + \frac{m\omega_q}{\hbar q} \right)^2$, the interaction rate can be expressed as

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = |M_q|^2 \frac{m^2 L^3 k_B T}{\hbar^5 q\pi} \ln \left(\frac{1 + \exp \left(\frac{\mu}{kT} - \frac{\hbar^2 q^2}{8mkT} - \frac{m\omega_q^2}{2q^2 kT} + \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2kT} \right)}{1 + \exp \left(\frac{\mu}{kT} - \frac{\hbar^2 q^2}{8mkT} - \frac{m\omega_q^2}{2q^2 kT} - \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2kT} \right)} \right) \quad (2)$$

The expression of the matrix element is

$$|M_{\mathbf{q}}|^2 = \frac{1}{L^3} \frac{e^2 \hbar \omega_{\mathbf{q}}}{2\epsilon_0 \left(1 + \frac{q_s^2}{q^2}\right) q^2} \left(\frac{1}{K_{\infty}} - \frac{1}{K_s} \right) \quad (3)$$

$$\simeq \frac{1}{L^3} \frac{e^2 \hbar \omega_{\mathbf{q}}}{2\epsilon_{\infty} q^2} \underbrace{\frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{q_s^2}{q^2}\right)}}_{=\eta_{\text{screening}}} \quad (4)$$

leading to

$$\tau = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_{\infty}\hbar^4}{e^2\omega_{\mathbf{q}}m^2k_B T} \frac{q^3}{\left(1 + \frac{q_s^2}{q^2}\right)} \frac{1}{\ln \left(\frac{1+\exp\left(\frac{\mu}{kT} - \frac{\hbar^2q^2}{8mkT} - \frac{m\omega_q^2}{2q^2kT} + \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2kT}\right)}{1+\exp\left(\frac{\mu}{kT} - \frac{\hbar^2q^2}{8mkT} - \frac{m\omega_q^2}{2q^2kT} - \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2kT}\right)} \right)} \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{2\pi\epsilon_{\infty}\hbar^4}{e^2\omega_{\mathbf{q}}m^2k_B T} \frac{q^3}{\left(1 + \frac{q_s^2}{q^2}\right)} \frac{1}{\ln \left(\frac{1+\exp\left(\frac{\mu}{kT} - \frac{1}{4}\frac{\hbar^2q^2}{2mkT} - \frac{2mkT}{\hbar^2q^2} \left(\frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2k_B T}\right)^2 + \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2kT}\right)}{1+\exp\left(\frac{\mu}{kT} - \frac{1}{4}\frac{\hbar^2q^2}{2mkT} - \frac{2mkT}{\hbar^2q^2} \left(\frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2k_B T}\right)^2 - \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2kT}\right)} \right)} \quad (6)$$

$$= \frac{2\pi\epsilon_{\infty}\hbar}{e^2\omega_{\mathbf{q}}} \sqrt{\frac{k_B T}{m}} \tilde{q}^3 \left(1 + \frac{\tilde{q}_s^2}{\tilde{q}^2}\right) \frac{1}{\ln \left(\frac{1+\exp\left(\frac{\mu}{kT} - \frac{1}{4}\frac{\hbar^2q^2}{2mkT} - \frac{2mkT}{\hbar^2q^2} \left(\frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2k_B T}\right)^2 + \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2kT}\right)}{1+\exp\left(\frac{\mu}{kT} - \frac{1}{4}\tilde{q}^2 - \frac{1}{\tilde{q}^2} \left(\frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2k_B T}\right)^2 - \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2kT}\right)} \right)} \quad (7)$$