

Fundamentals of Solid State Physics

Thermal Properties

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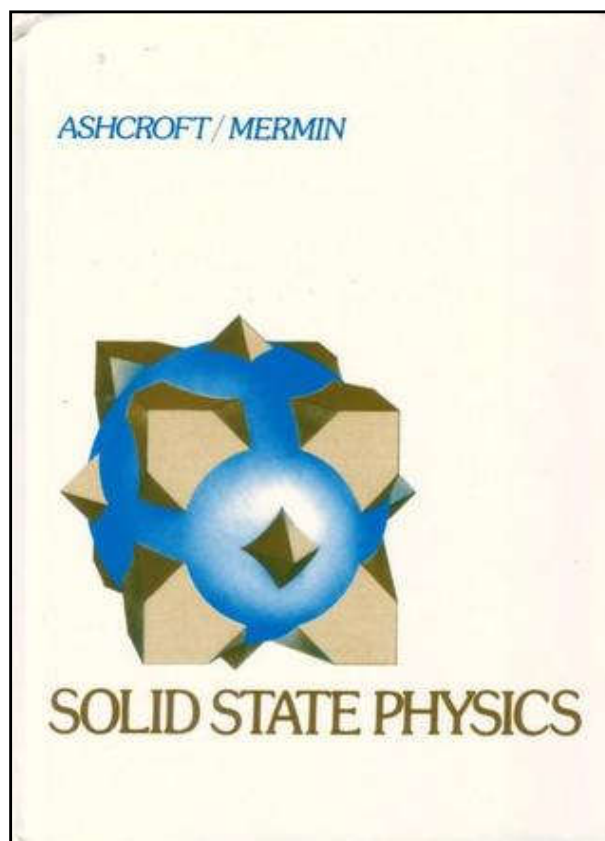
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Further Reading

- Ashcroft & Mermin, Chapter 21, 22, 23



Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

- **Adiabatic Approximation** 绝热近似
- **Static Approximation** 定核近似
 - The behaviors of electrons and nuclei can be calculated separately.

$$\Psi_{\text{total}} = \Psi_{\text{electron}} * \Psi_{\text{nuclear}}$$

- Electrons move much faster than nuclei
- When we consider the electronic behaviors, we assume the atomic lattice is static.



Failures of the Static Lattice Model

It cannot explain

- Scattering of electrons
- Thermal properties
 - Thermal Capacity
 - Thermal Conductivity
 - Thermal Expansion
- Mechanical properties
- ... ***We have to analyze lattice vibration***

$$\sigma = ne\mu = ne^2 \frac{\tau}{m}$$

τ - relaxation time (s)



Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

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Lattice Vibration - Classical Model

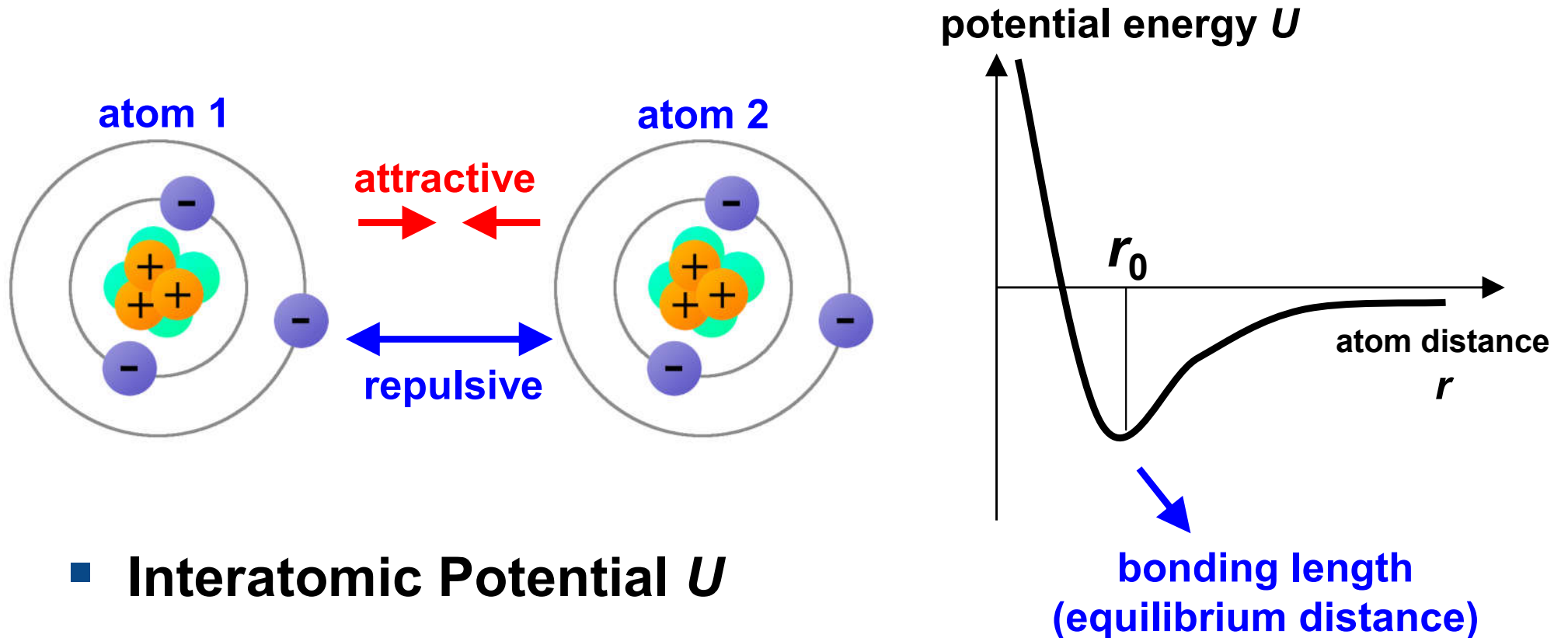
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Atomic Interactions



■ Interatomic Potential U

$$U(r) = U_{\text{repulsion}}(r) - U_{\text{attraction}}(r)$$

U - potential energy (J, eV)

r - atomic distance (nm, Å) 10

Interatomic Potential: Examples

■ Lennard-Jones (L-J)

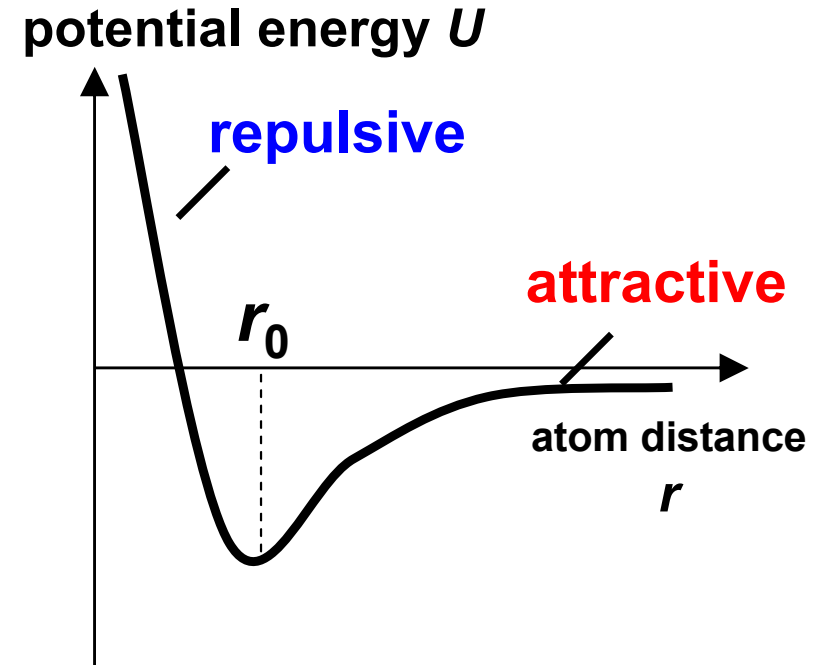
$$U(r) = \frac{A}{r^{12}} - \frac{B}{r^6}$$

repulsive attractive

■ Ionic Crystals

$$U(r) = A \exp\left(\frac{r}{\rho}\right) - \frac{B}{r}$$

repulsive attractive



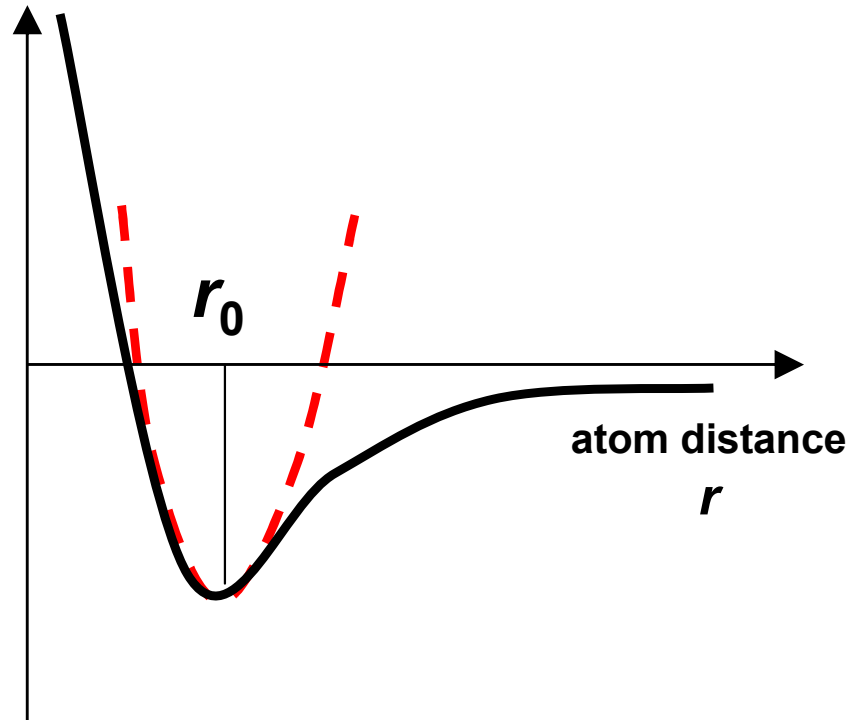
■ Morse Potential

$$U(r) = D \left(e^{-2a(r-r_0)} - 2e^{-a(r-r_0)} \right)$$

repulsive attractive

Atomic Interactions

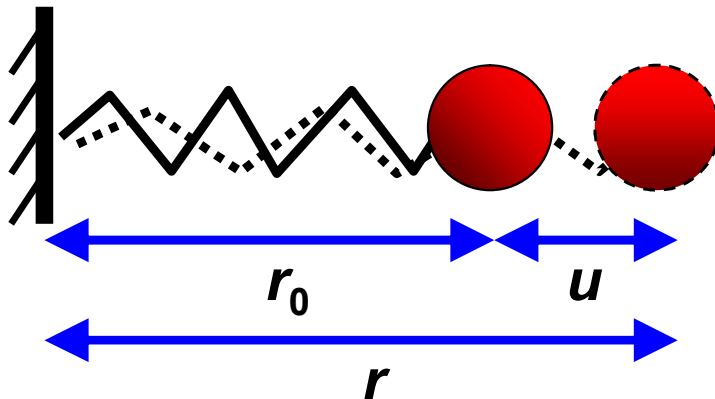
potential energy U



Harmonic Approximation
(parabolic curve)

$$U(r) = U_0 + \frac{1}{2} K (r - r_0)^2$$

$$= U_0 + \frac{1}{2} K \cdot u^2$$

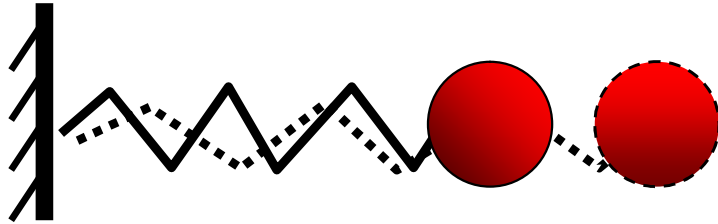


$$F = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial r} = -K \cdot u$$

Hooke's Law

K - spring constant (N/m)
 u - atomic displacement (m) 12

Harmonic Oscillator 谐振子



$$F = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial r} = -K \cdot u$$

Hooke's Law

$$F = m \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = m \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$$

Newton's Second Law



$$m \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} + Ku = 0$$



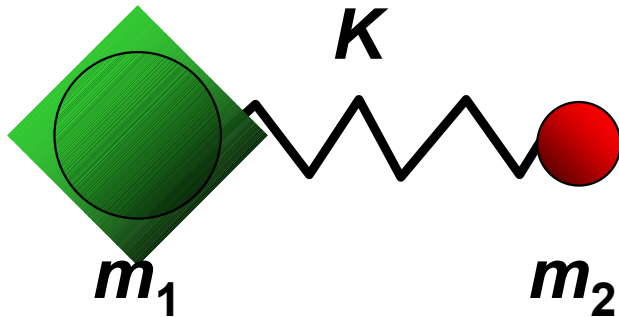
$$u = Ae^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}$$

ω - angular frequency (Hz) 13

Diatomic Molecule 双原子分子

Homework 8.1



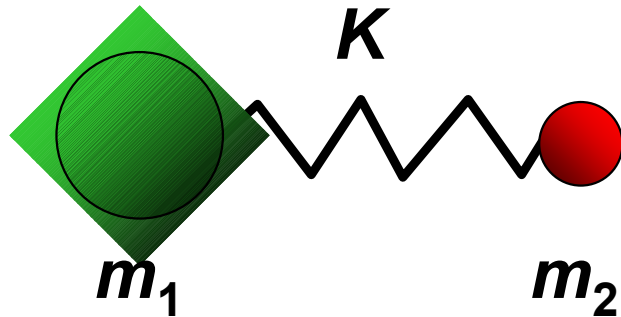
$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{K}{m^*}} = \sqrt{\frac{m_1 + m_2}{m_1 m_2} K}$$

ω - angular frequency (Hz)

m^* - reduced mass (kg)

Diatomic Molecule 双原子分子

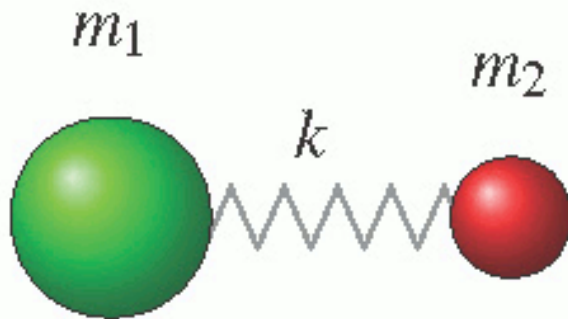
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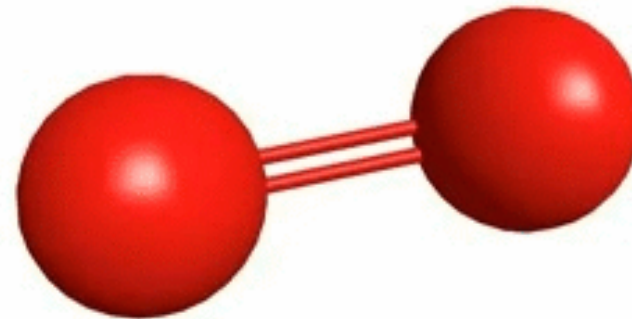
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CO molecule



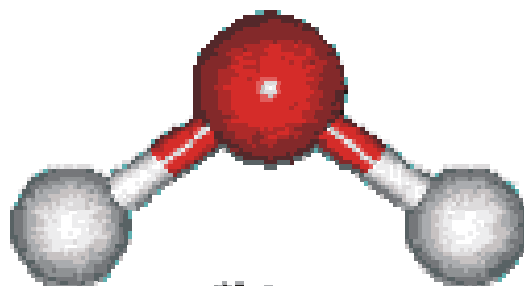
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O₂ molecule



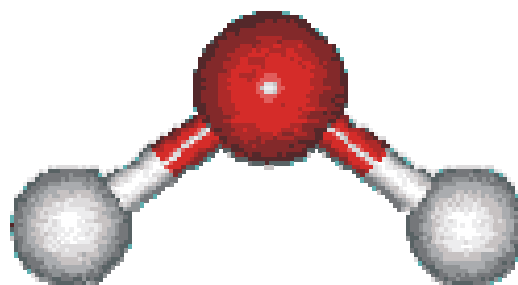
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H₂O Vibration



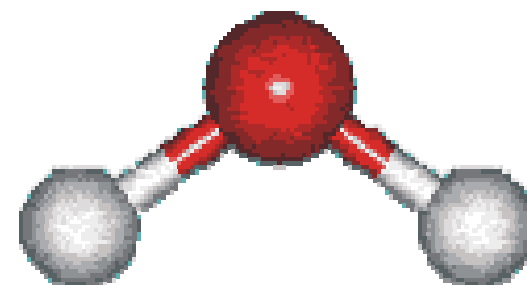
ν_1

symmetric stretch



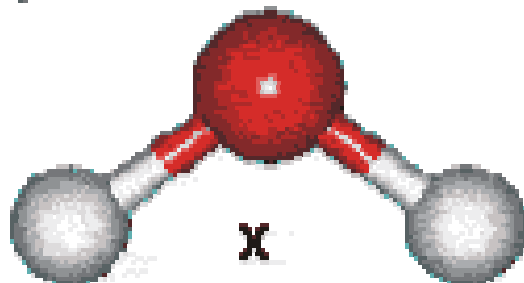
ν_3

asymmetric stretch

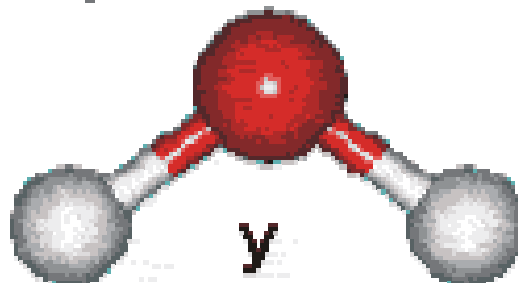


ν_2

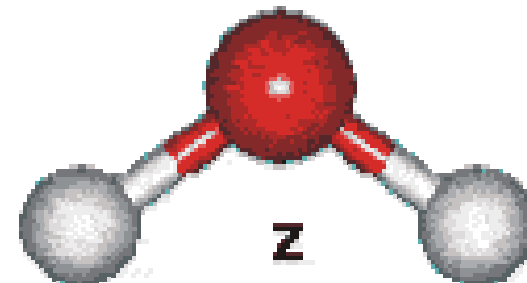
bend



x



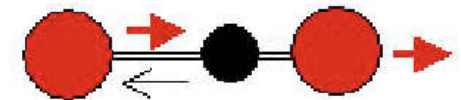
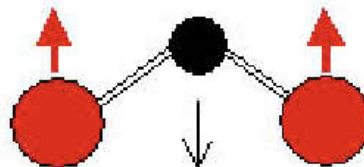
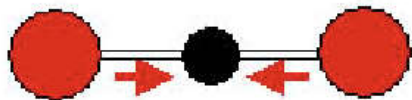
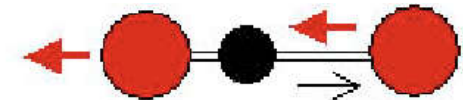
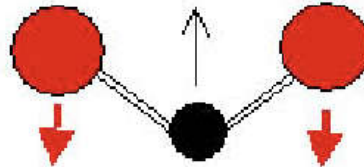
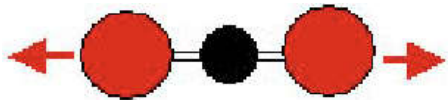
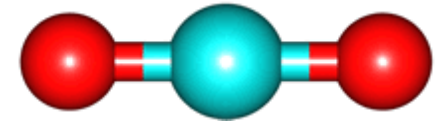
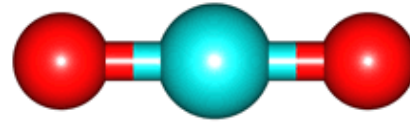
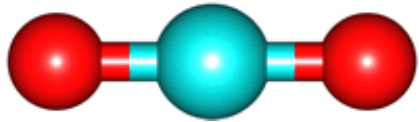
y



z

librations

CO₂ Vibration



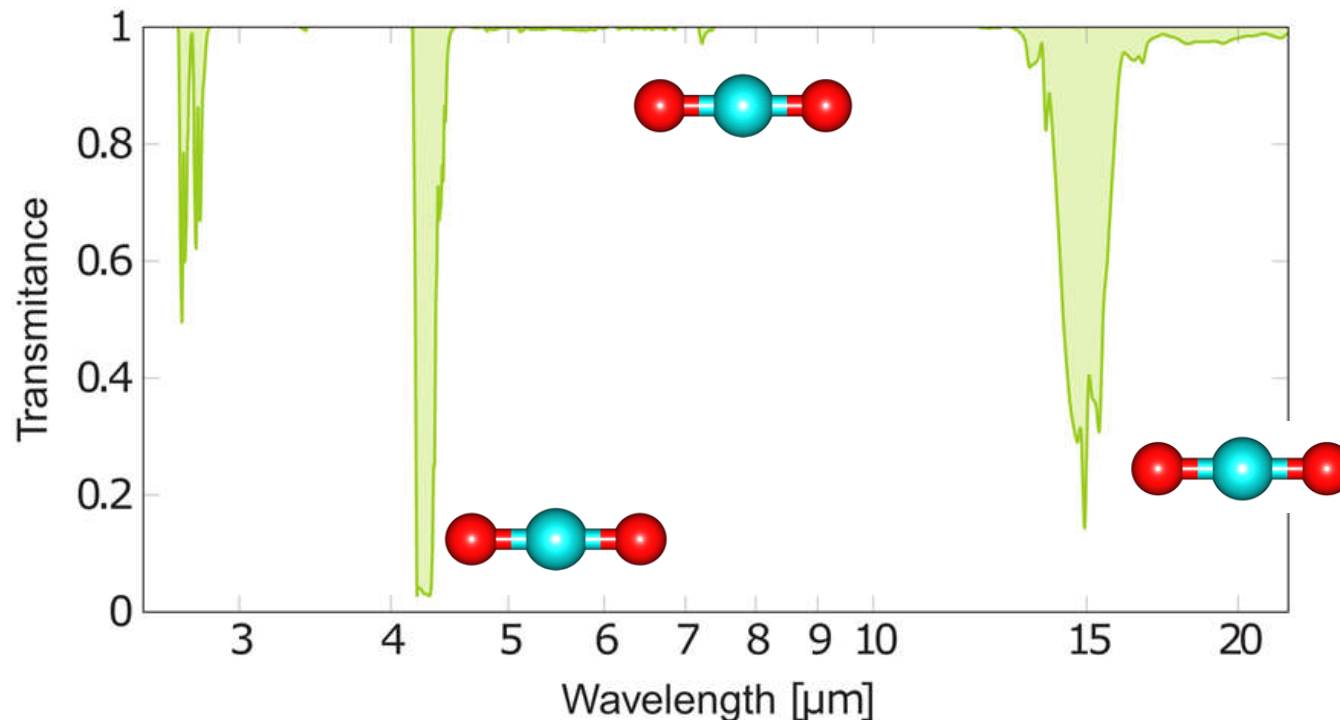
Symmetric Stretch
1366 cm⁻¹ or 7.32 μm

Bending
667 cm⁻¹ or 15 μm

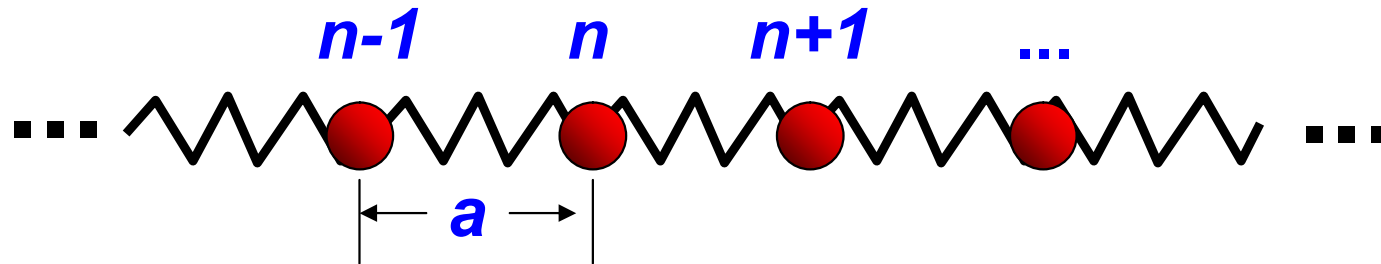
Asymmetric Stretch
2349 cm⁻¹ or 4.23 μm

Molecule Vibration

- Vibration modes of molecules can be measured by **infrared absorption spectrum**
- Infrared absorption of CO₂ causes **greenhouse effect**



1D *Monatomic* Chain 单原子链



$$F = m \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$$



$$m \frac{\partial^2 u_n}{\partial t^2} + K(u_n - u_{n-1}) + K(u_n - u_{n+1}) = 0$$



$$u_n = A e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

Wave Function

Acoustic Wave (声波)

Elastic Wave (弹性波)

Mechanical Wave (机械波)

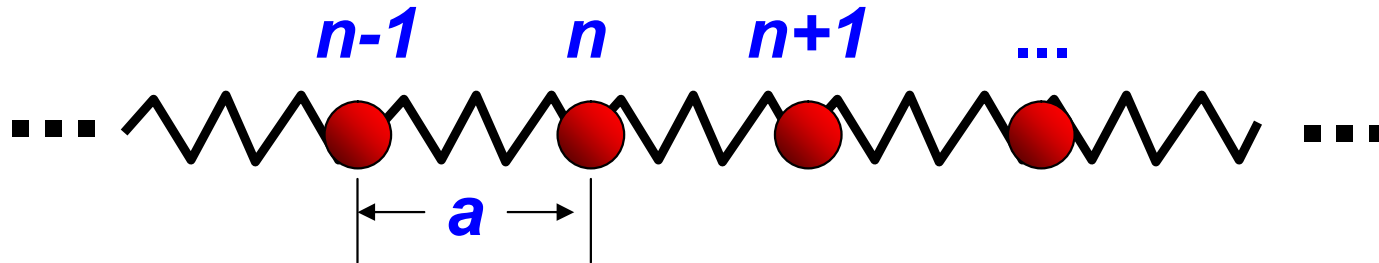
Lattice Wave (格波)

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k - wave vector (m^{-1})

ω - angular frequency (Hz)

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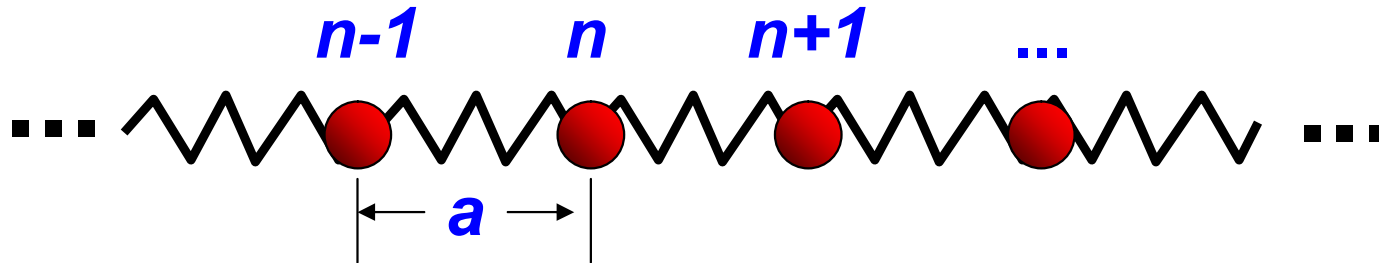
Wave Function

$$u_{n\pm 1} = A e^{i(kx - \omega t)} e^{\pm ika}$$

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1D *Monatomic* Chain

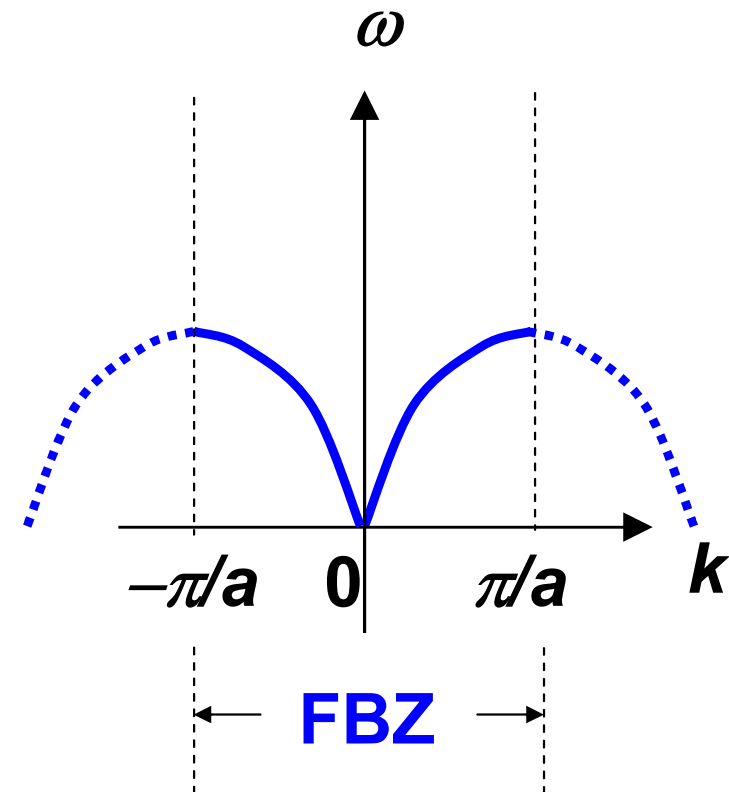


$$\begin{aligned}\omega^2 &= \frac{K}{m} (2 - e^{-ika} - e^{+ika}) \\ &= \frac{4K}{m} \sin^2 \left(\frac{ak}{2} \right)\end{aligned}$$

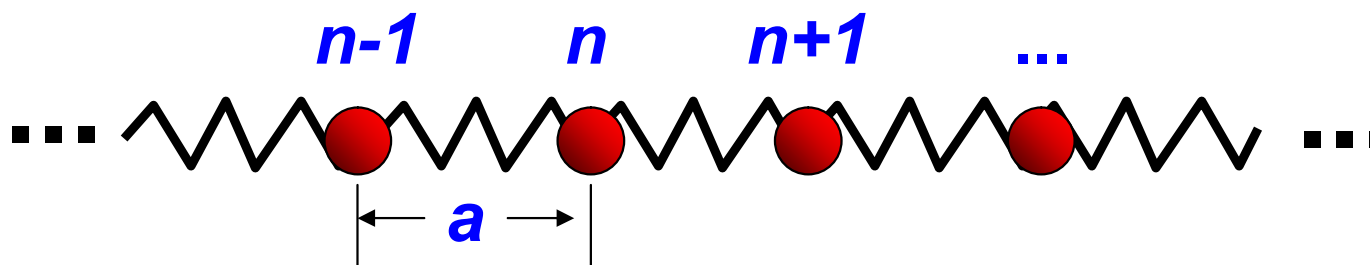
→

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{4K}{m}} \left| \sin \left(\frac{ak}{2} \right) \right|$$

ω - k diagram
(dispersion curve)



1D *Monatomic* Chain



$$k = 6\pi/6a \quad \lambda = 2.00a \quad \omega_k = 2.00\omega$$



$$k = 5\pi/6a \quad \lambda = 2.40a \quad \omega_k = 1.93\omega$$



$$k = 4\pi/6a \quad \lambda = 3.00a \quad \omega_k = 1.73\omega$$



$$k = 3\pi/6a \quad \lambda = 4.00a \quad \omega_k = 1.41\omega$$



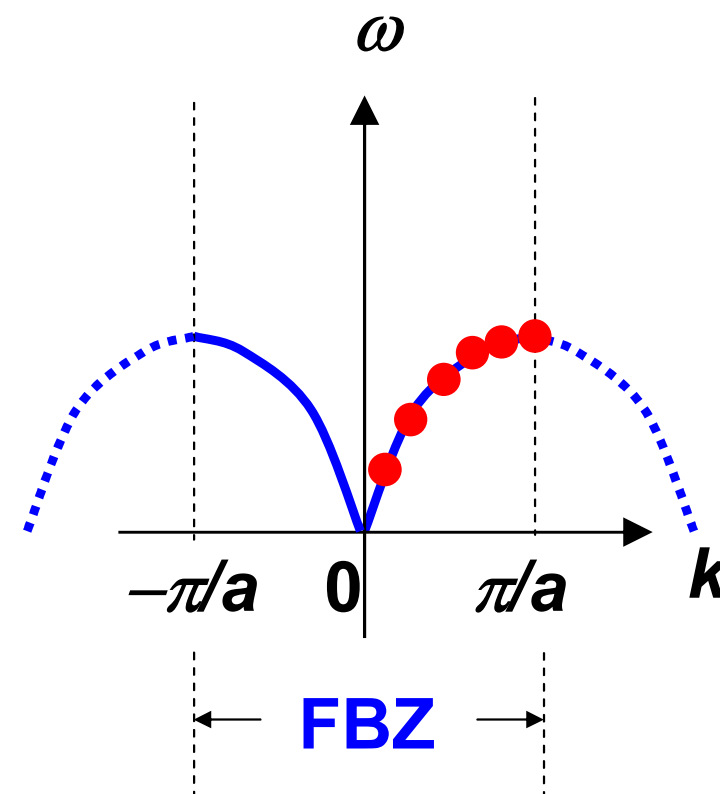
$$k = 2\pi/6a \quad \lambda = 6.00a \quad \omega_k = 1.00\omega$$



$$k = 1\pi/6a \quad \lambda = 12.00a \quad \omega_k = 0.52\omega$$



ω - k diagram
(dispersion curve)



1D *Monatomic* Chain

- Crystals cannot transmit sound above the cutoff frequency ω_{\max}

$$\omega_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{4K}{m}}$$

- Phase velocity

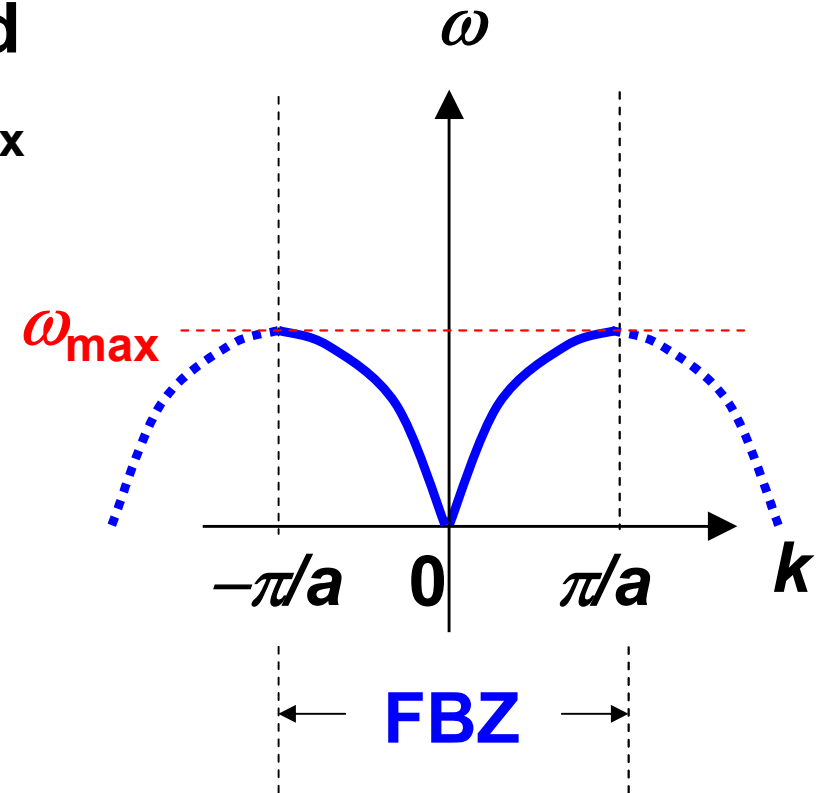
$$v_p = \omega / k$$

- Group velocity

$$v_g = \partial \omega / \partial k$$

- Standing wave ($v_g = 0$) at

$$k = \pm \frac{\pi}{a}$$

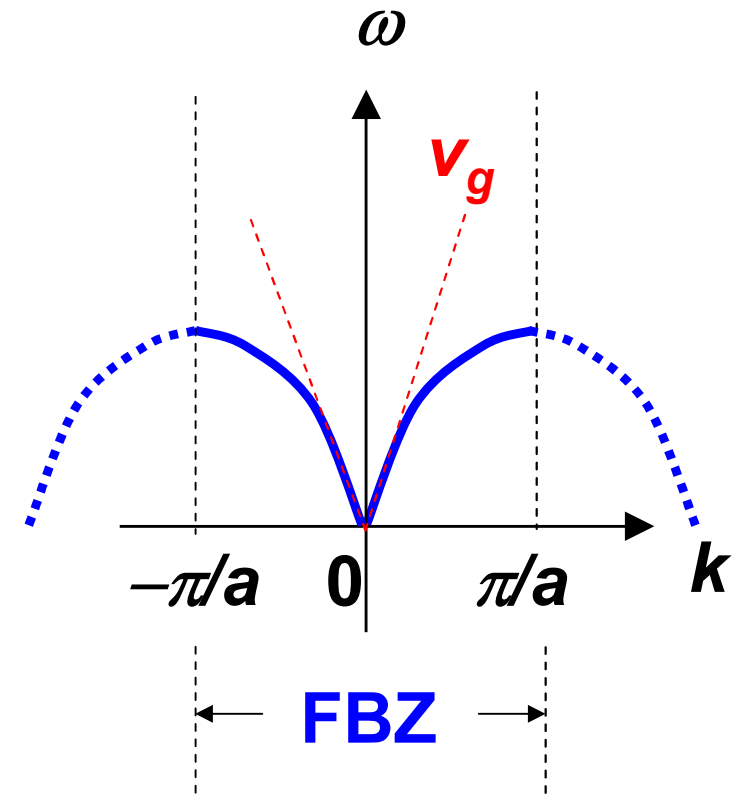


Speed of Sound 声速

- At long wavelength limit $ka \sim 0$, **speed of sound** is a constant independent of frequency

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{4K}{m}} \left| \sin\left(\frac{ak}{2}\right) \right| \approx \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}} ak$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_g &= \partial\omega / \partial k \\ &= a \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}} \end{aligned}$$

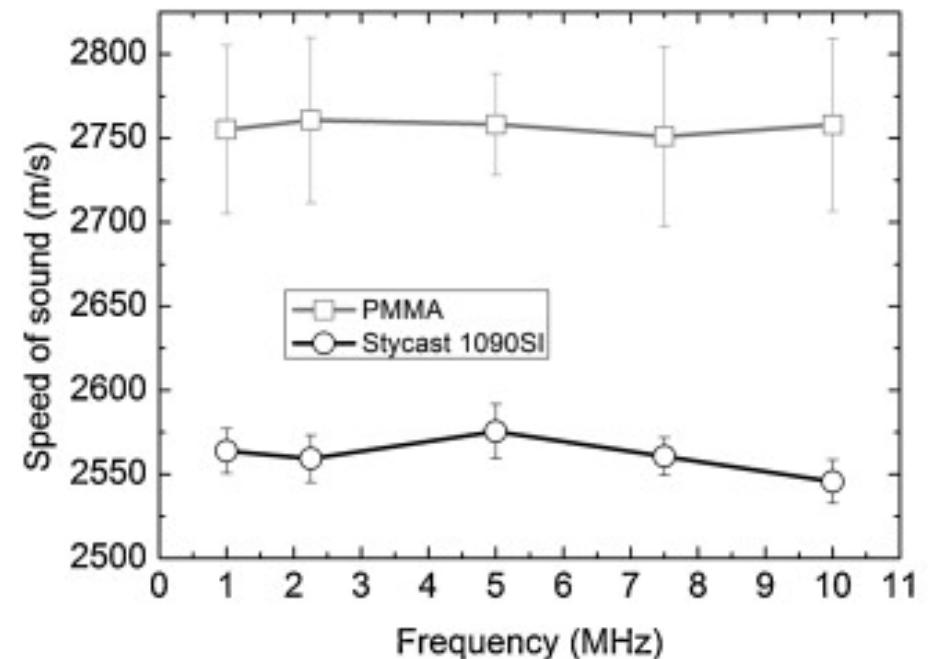


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sound speed in solids



Speed of Sound 声速

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$$v_g = \partial \omega / \partial k$$

$$= a \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}$$

- Higher v_g requires
 - stronger bonds (K)
 - smaller atoms (m)

Material	Speed of Sound (m/s)
Rubber	60
Lead	1210
Gold	3240
Copper	4600
Aluminum	6320

<http://www.classltd.com>

Q: Which material has the highest sound speed?

Young's Modulus E 弹性模量

- E (unit: Pa): stress σ divided by strain ε

- stress σ : force per unit area
- strain ε : ratio of elongation



$$F = K \cdot u$$

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon} = \frac{F / a^2}{u / a} = K / a \\ &= v_g^2 \frac{m}{a^3} \\ &= v_g^2 \rho \end{aligned}$$

or

$$v_g = \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$$

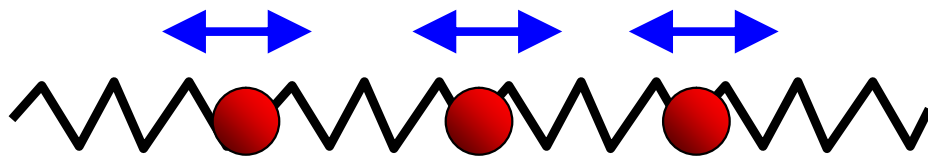
macroscopic
properties

$$v_g = a \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}$$

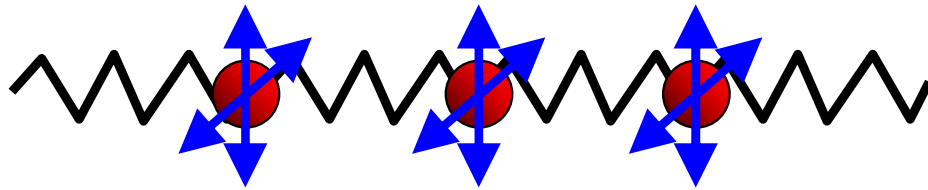
microscopic
properties

ρ - material density (kg/m³)

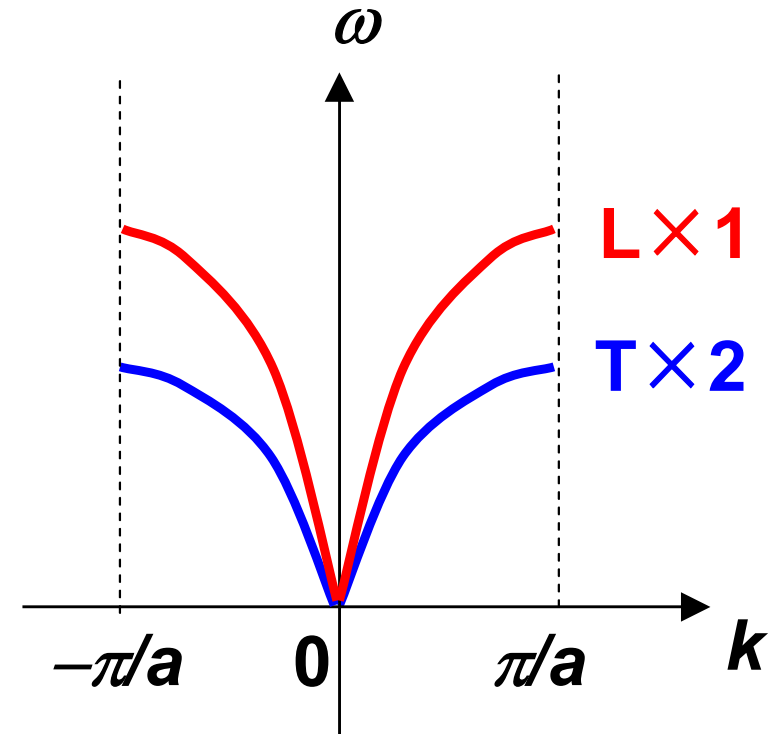
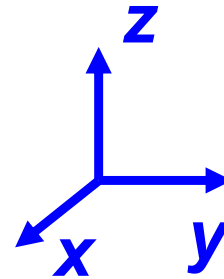
1D *Monatomic* Chain



Longitudinal (L) 纵波 $\times 1$



Transverse (T) 横波 $\times 2$

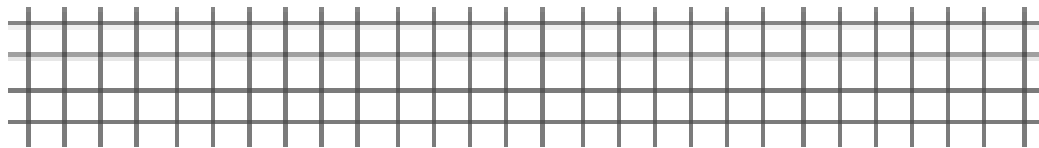


$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{4K}{m}} \left| \sin\left(\frac{ak}{2}\right) \right|$$

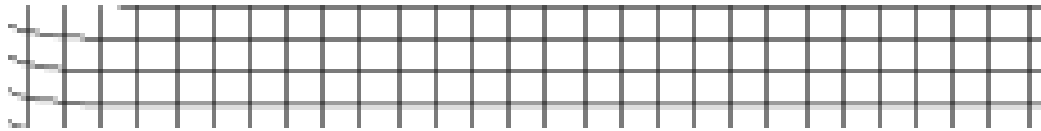
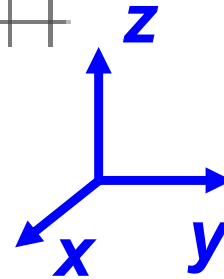
$$K_L > K_T$$

$$v_{gL} > v_{gT}$$

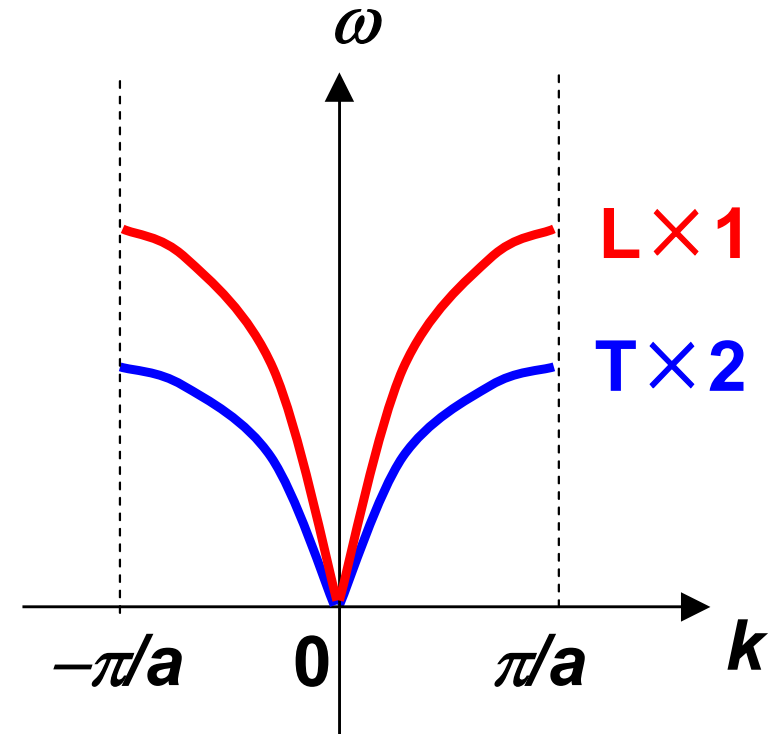
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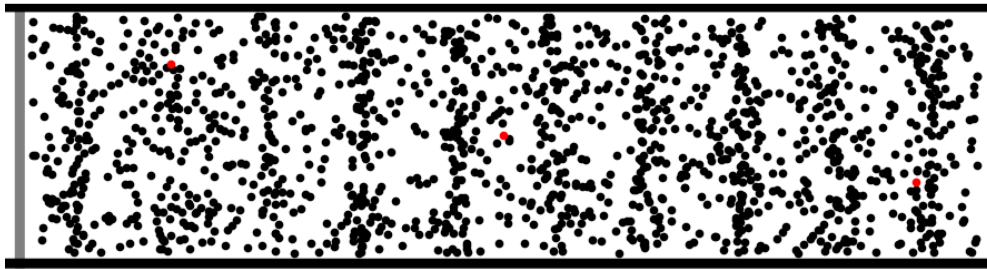
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Seismic Waves 地震波

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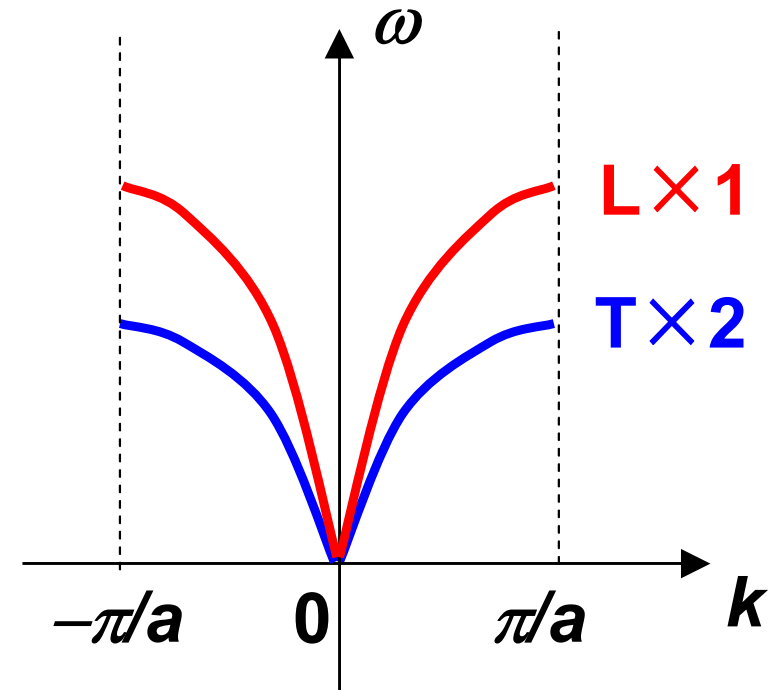


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L wave arrives first, less damage

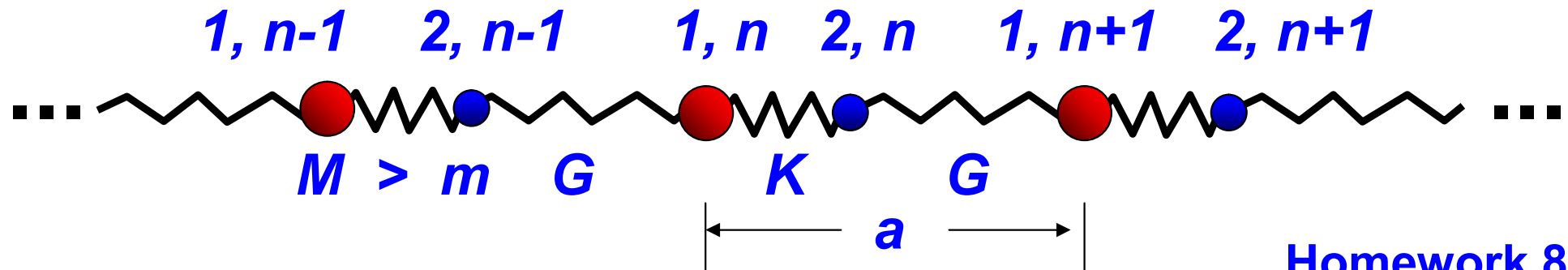


T wave arrives later, more damage!



video - earthquake

1D *Diatomic* Chain 双原子链



Homework 8.3

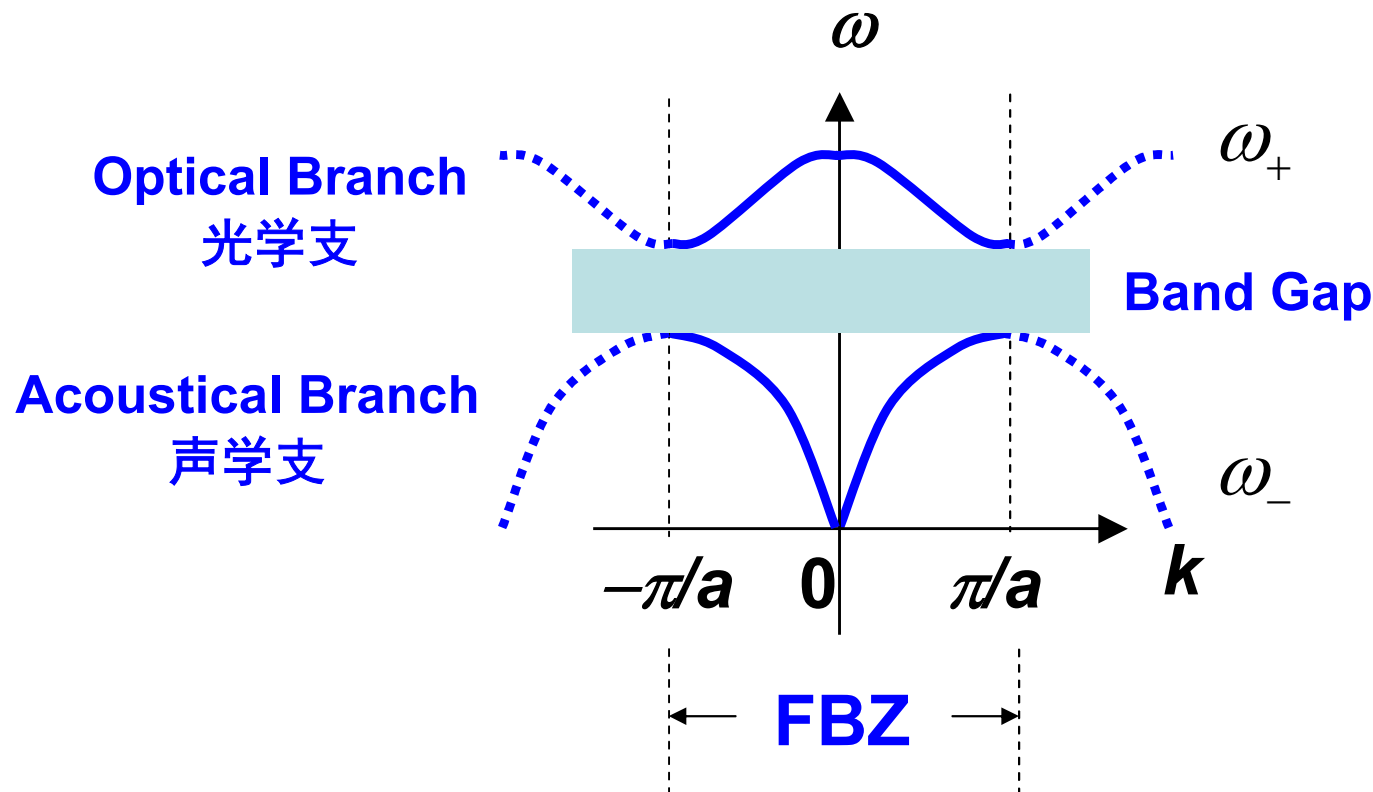
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} M \frac{\partial^2 u_{1,n}}{\partial t^2} + K(u_{1,n} - u_{2,n}) + G(u_{1,n} - u_{2,n-1}) = 0 \\ m \frac{\partial^2 u_{2,n}}{\partial t^2} + K(u_{2,n} - u_{1,n}) + G(u_{2,n} - u_{1,n+1}) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_{1,n} = A_1 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \\ u_{2,n} = A_2 e^{i(kx - \omega t)} \end{array} \right.$$

→

$$\omega^2 = \frac{(K + G)(M + m) \pm \sqrt{(K + G)^2 (M + m)^2 - 16MmKG \sin^2\left(\frac{ak}{2}\right)}}{2Mm}$$

1D *Diatomic* Chain 双原子链

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1D *Diatomic* Chain 双原子链

When $K = G$ (example: NaCl, GaAs, ...),
Simplified solution:

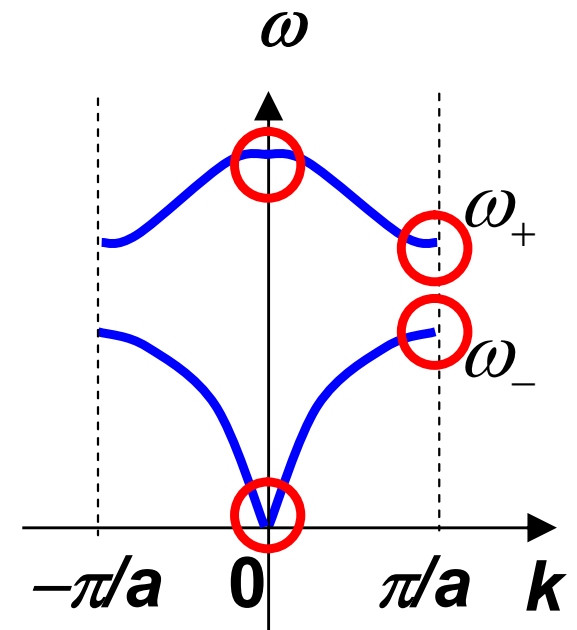
$$\omega^2 = K \frac{M+m}{Mm} \left[1 \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{4Mm}{(M+m)^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{ak}{2} \right)} \right]$$

$$\omega_+(k=0) = \sqrt{2K \frac{M+m}{Mm}}$$

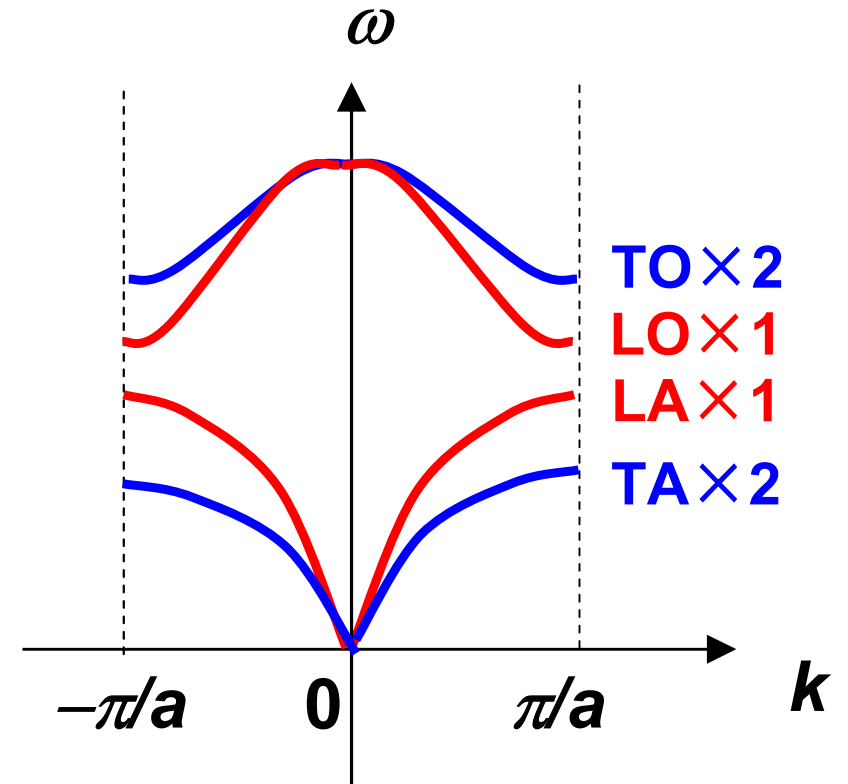
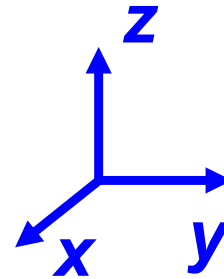
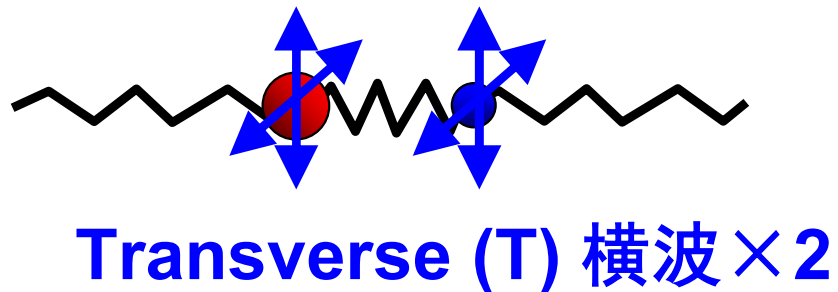
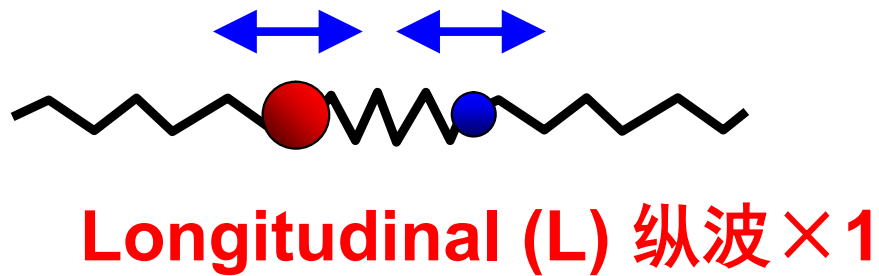
$$\omega_+(k = \pm \frac{\pi}{a}) = \sqrt{\frac{2K}{M}}$$

$$\omega_-(k \approx 0) = \sqrt{\frac{K}{2(M+m)}} ak$$

$$\omega_-(k = \pm \frac{\pi}{a}) = \sqrt{\frac{2K}{m}}$$

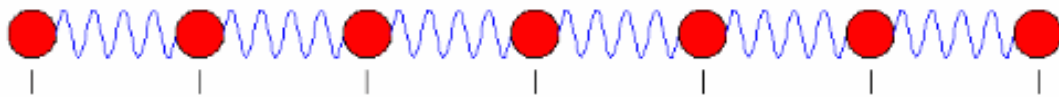


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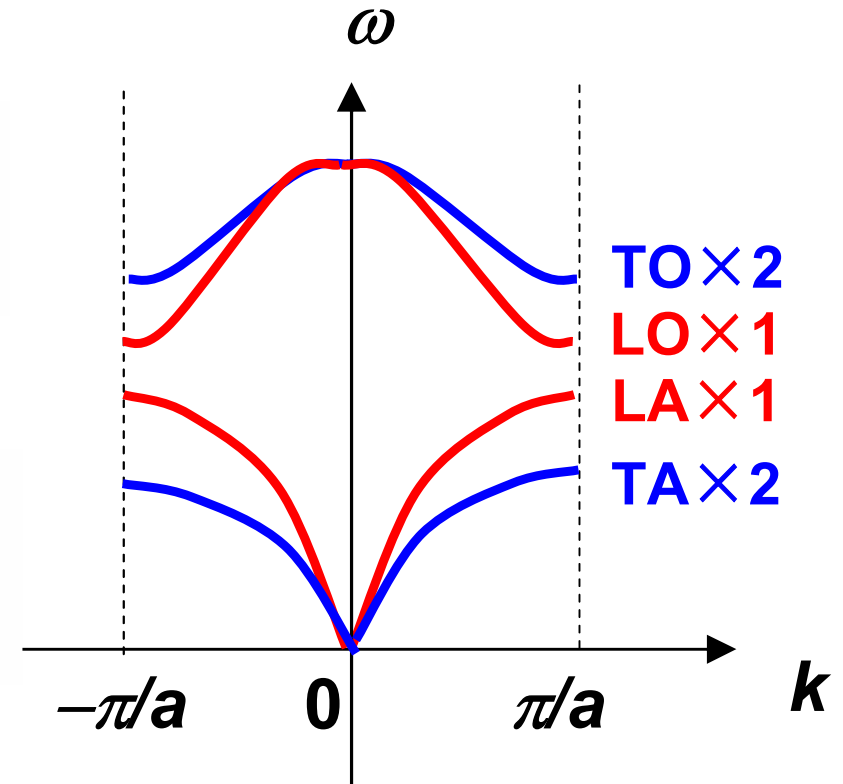


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Longitudinal Optical (LO)



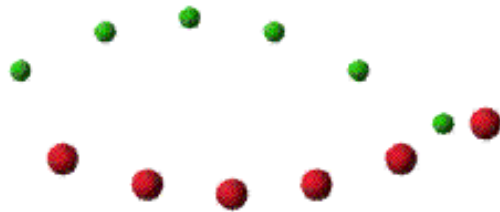
Longitudinal Acoustical (LA)



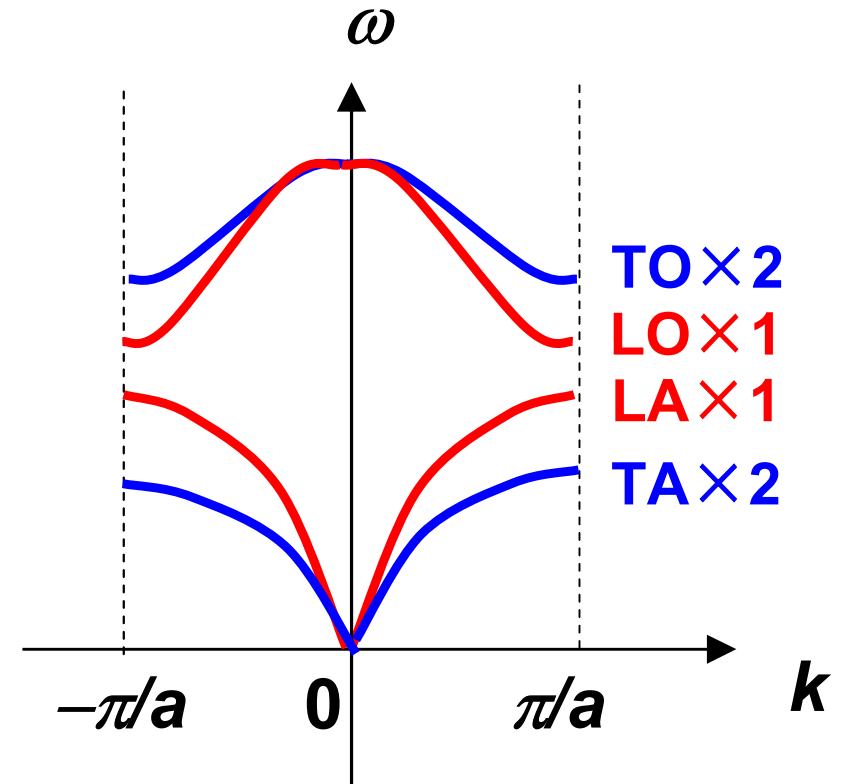
Acoustic modes are related to the low frequency vibration across the entire crystal;
Optical modes are related to the high frequency vibration inside the primitive cell.

1D *Diatomic* Chain 双原子链

Transverse Optical (TO)



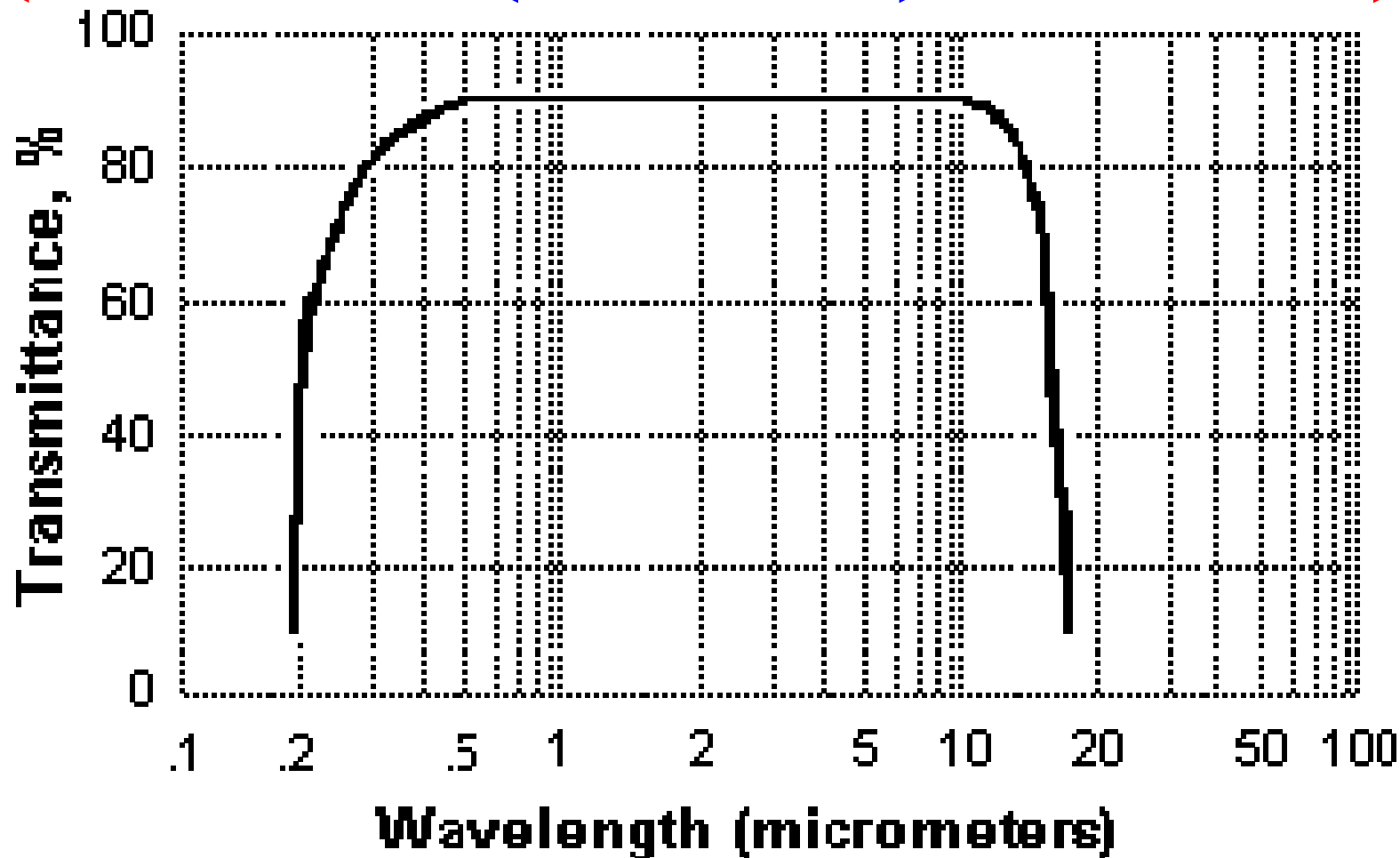
Transverse Acoustical (TA)



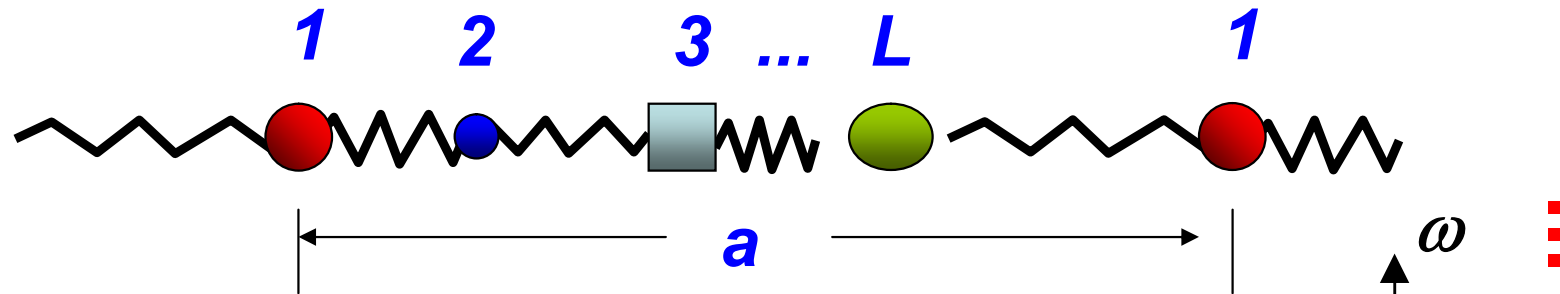
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Optical Properties of NaCl

absorption above band gap
($E_g \sim 8.5$ eV) transparent absorption by crystal vibration
($2\pi\omega_{\max}/c \sim 10$ μm)



1D *Multi-atomic* Chain 多原子链

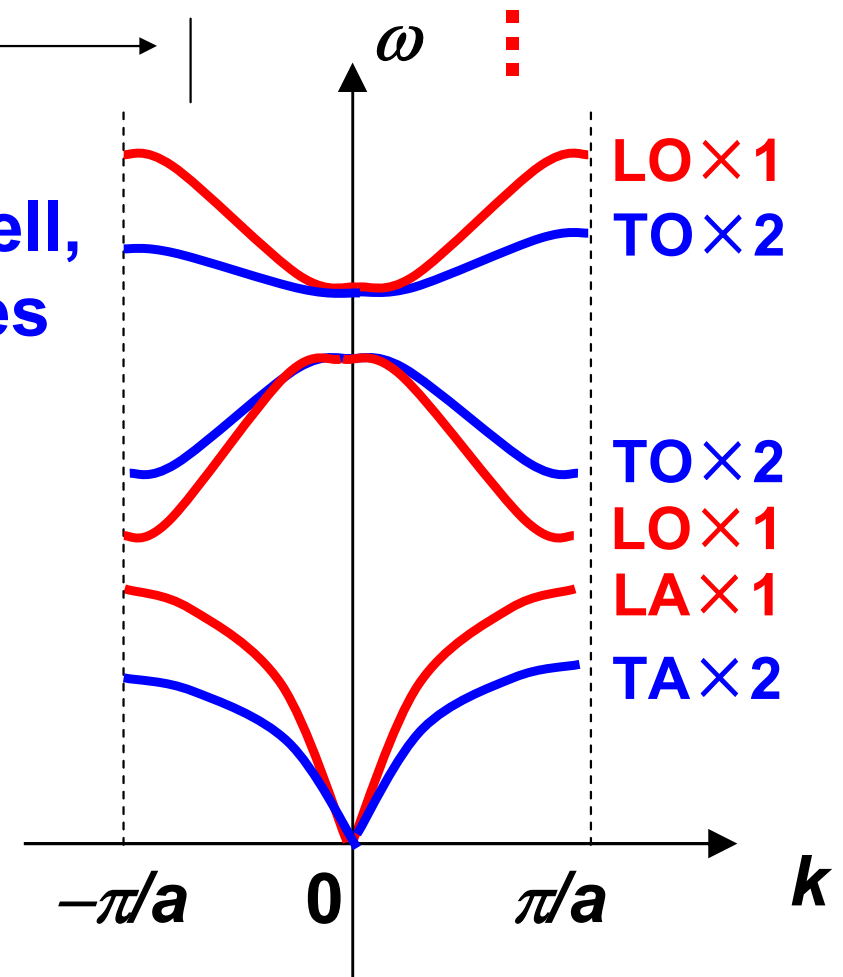


If there are L atoms in a primitive cell,
there will be more optical branches

There will be:

1 LA, 2 TA

$(L-1)$ LO, $2(L-1)$ TO



Fundamentals of Solid State Physics

Lattice Vibration - Quantum Model

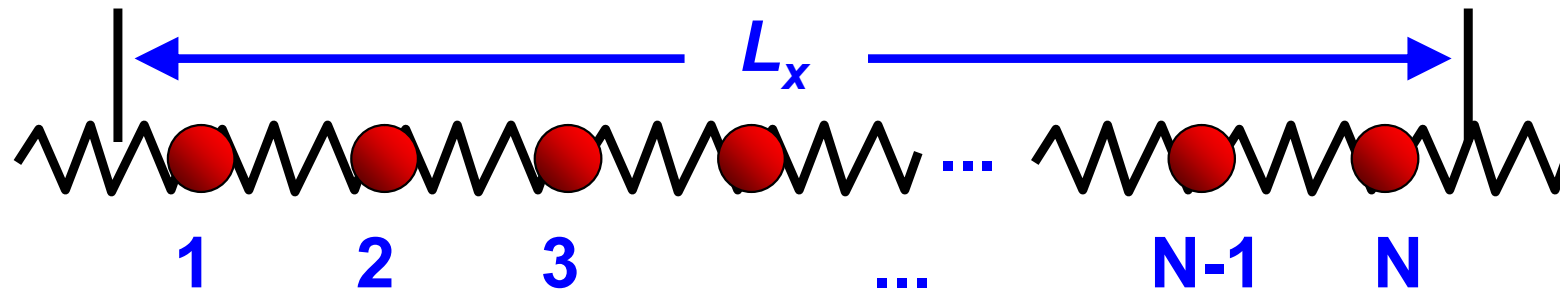
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Quantization of the Bands 量子化



$$L_x = N \cdot a, N \text{ is large } \sim 10^{23}$$

Born-von Karman *periodic* boundary condition

$$u(x) = u(x + L_x)$$



$$\exp(ik_x L_x) = 1$$



$$k_x = \frac{2\pi n_x}{L_x}$$

$$n_x = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

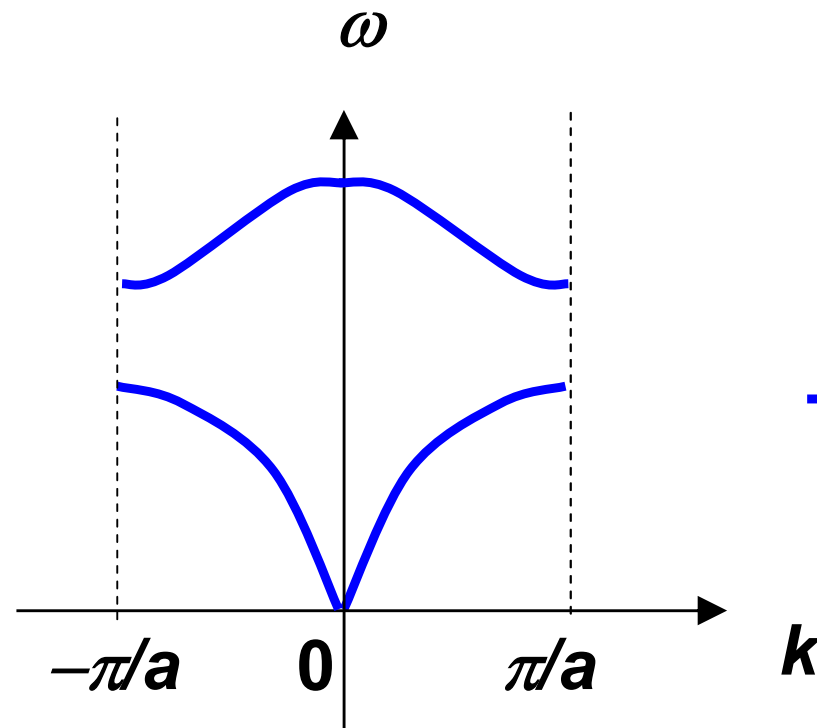
k is a *quantized* value

Quantization of the Bands 量子化

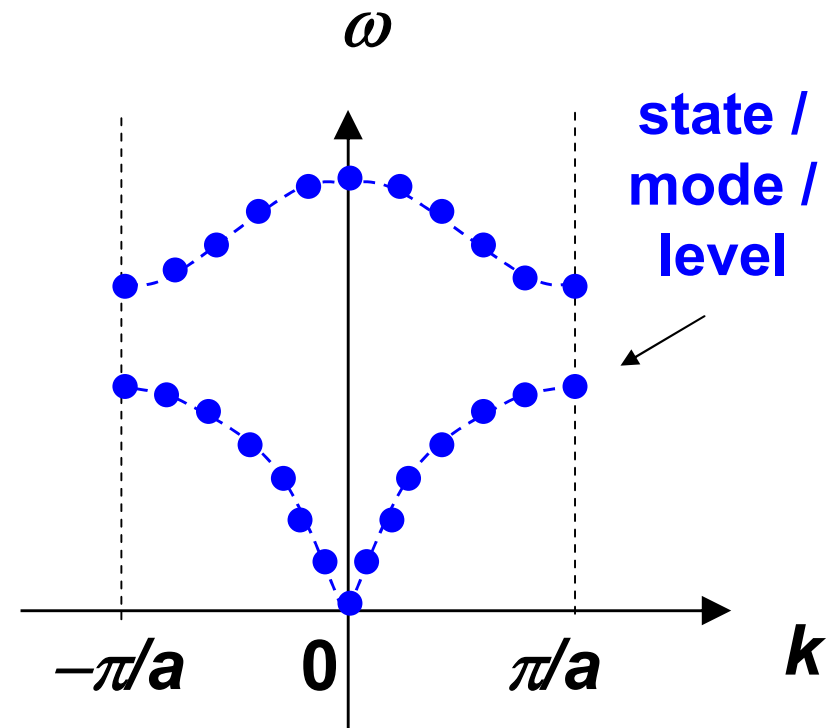
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quasi-continuous



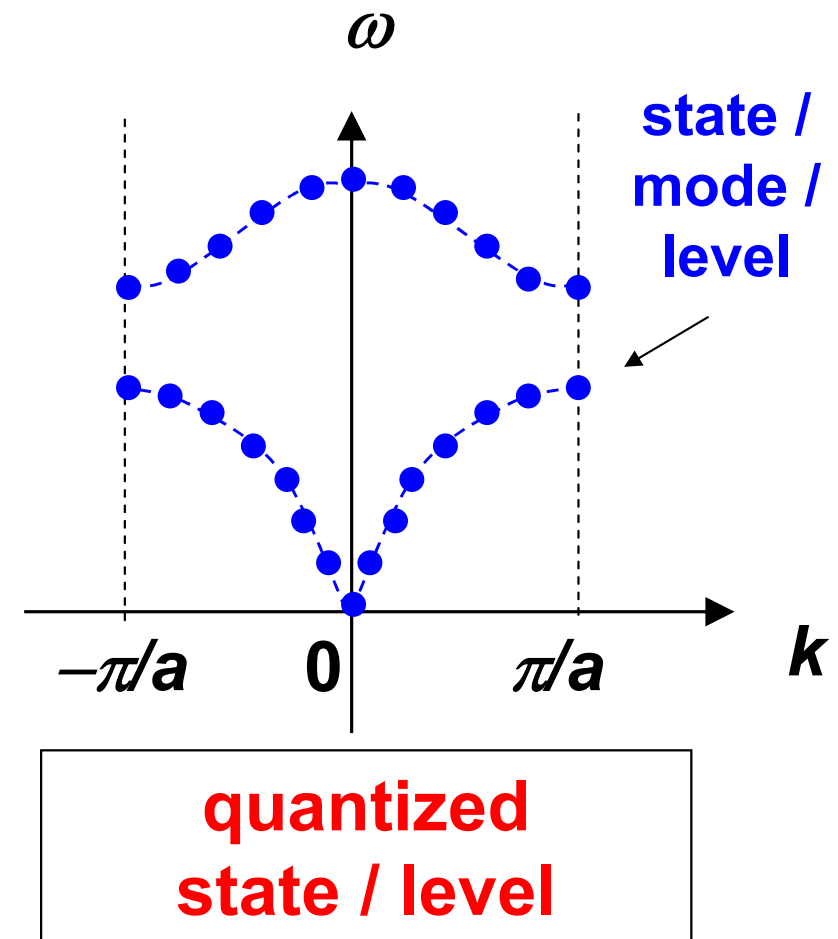
ω - k diagram
(dispersion curve)



**quantized
state / level**

Phonon Band Diagram

- A vibration state (phonon) is a collective movement of all the atoms in the lattice, not vibrations from a single atom
- There are N states in each band (N : number of primitive cells in the crystal)
- If there are L atoms in each primitive cell, there will be **$3L$ bands, and $3NL$ states**
 - 1 LA + 2 TA
 - $(L-1)$ LO + $2(L-1)$ TO



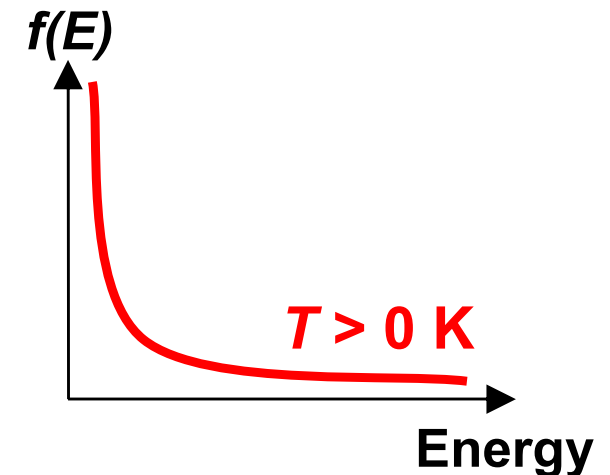
Phonon 声子

- Phonon is a boson

- Each state can fill many phonons at the same time
- Bose-Einstein Distribution

number of
phonons

$$f(E = \hbar\omega) = \frac{1}{e^{\hbar\omega/k_B T} - 1}$$



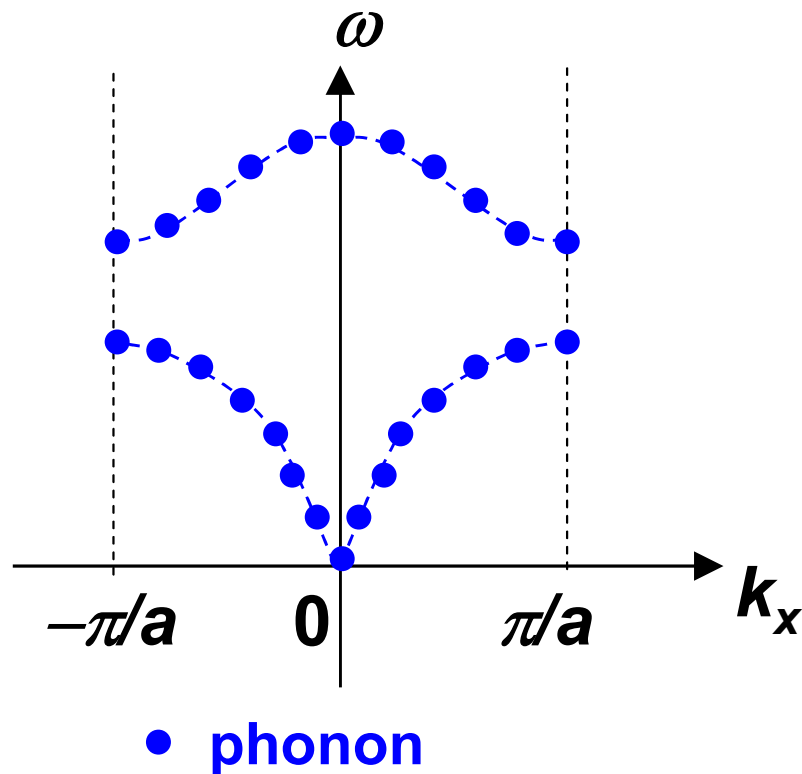
- Phonon 声子 vs. Photon 光子

- Both of them are bosons, but
- Phonon is a collective atom vibration, quasi-particle (准粒子)
- Photon is a fundamental particle (基本粒子)

Phonon Band vs. Electron Band

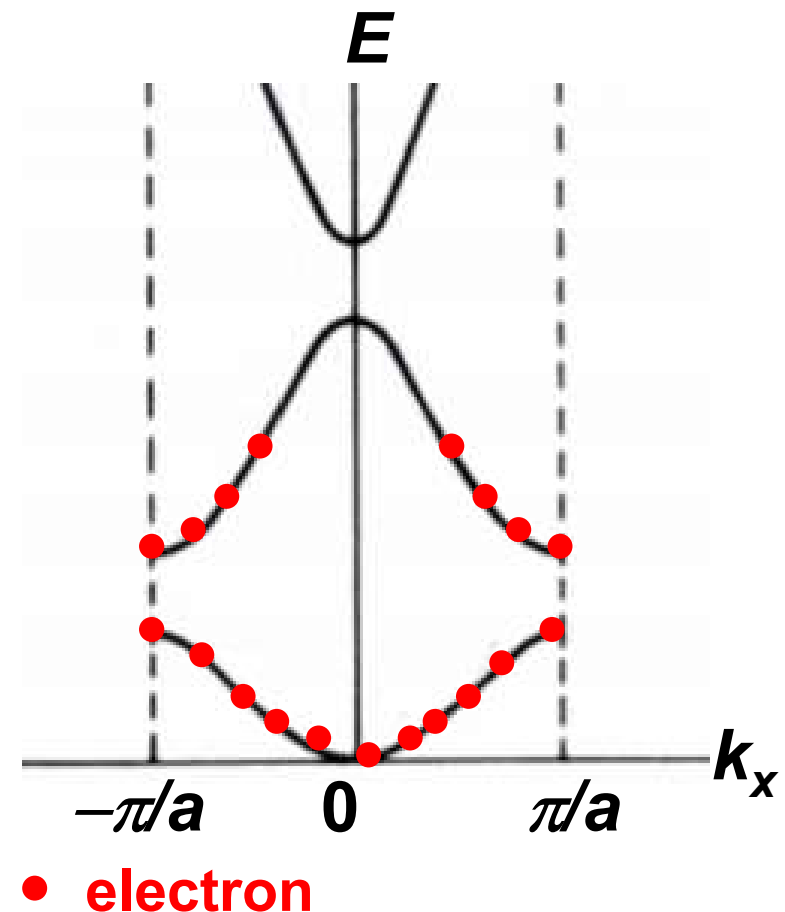
■ Phonon Band

- ❑ max frequency ω_{\max}
- ❑ phonon number is not constant, depend on T



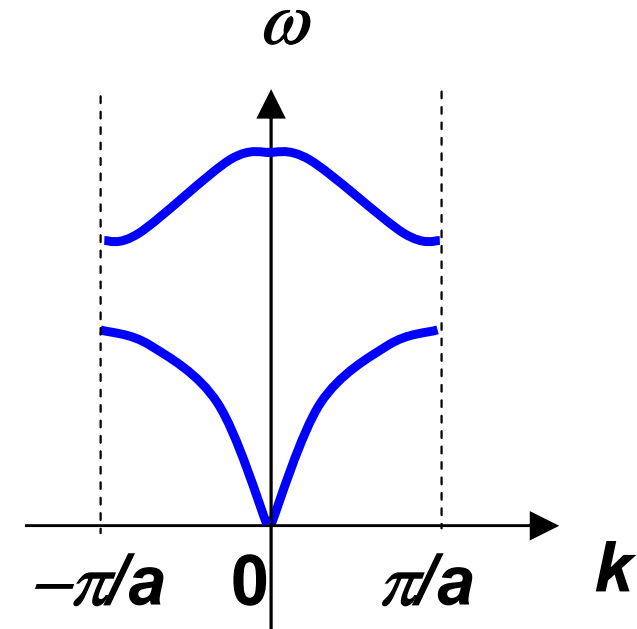
■ Electron Band

- ❑ no highest energy
- ❑ electron number is fixed



Measure Phonon Band Diagram

- Optical Scattering
 - Brillouin Scattering 布里渊散射
 - Raman Scattering 拉曼散射
- Neutron Scattering 中子散射



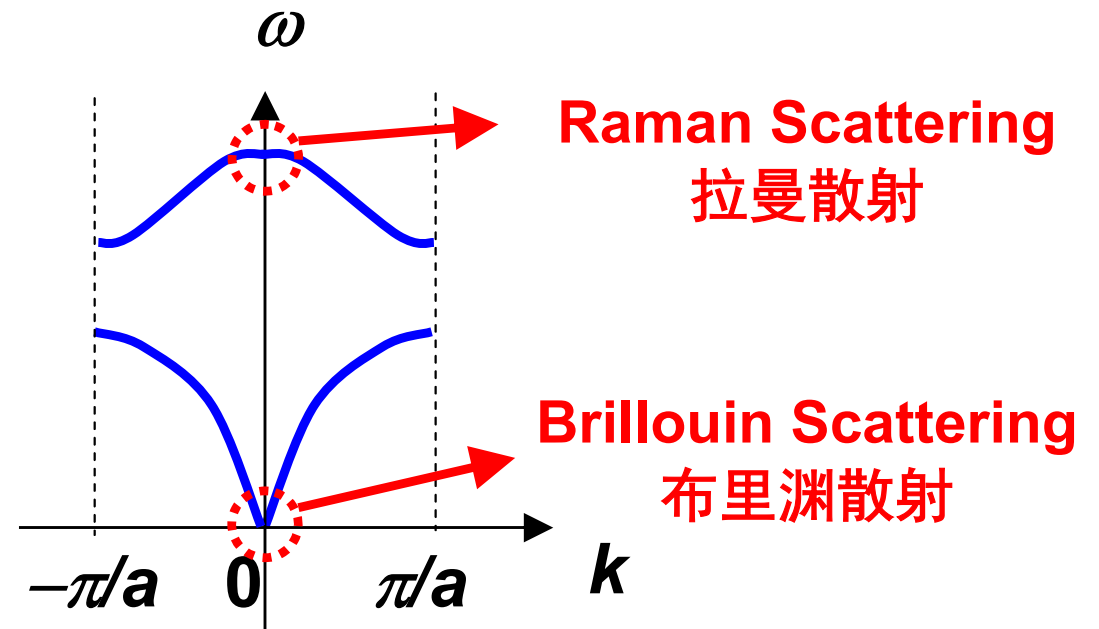
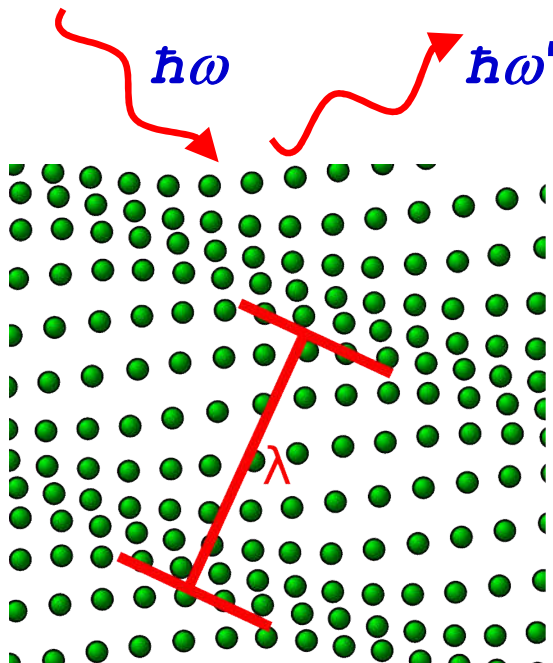
Measure Phonon Band Diagram

■ Optical Scattering

- Photons have much smaller momentum than phonons
- can only measure $k \sim 0$

$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda} \ll \frac{h}{a}$$

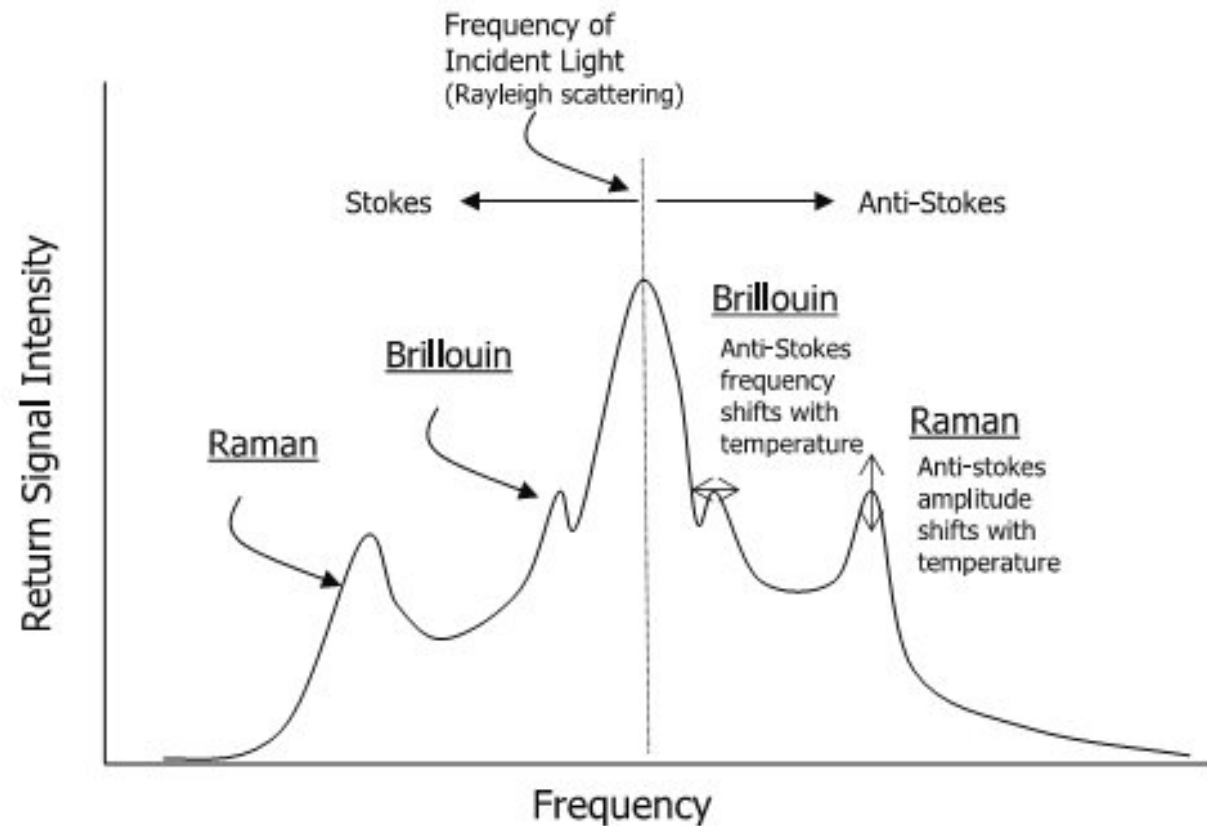
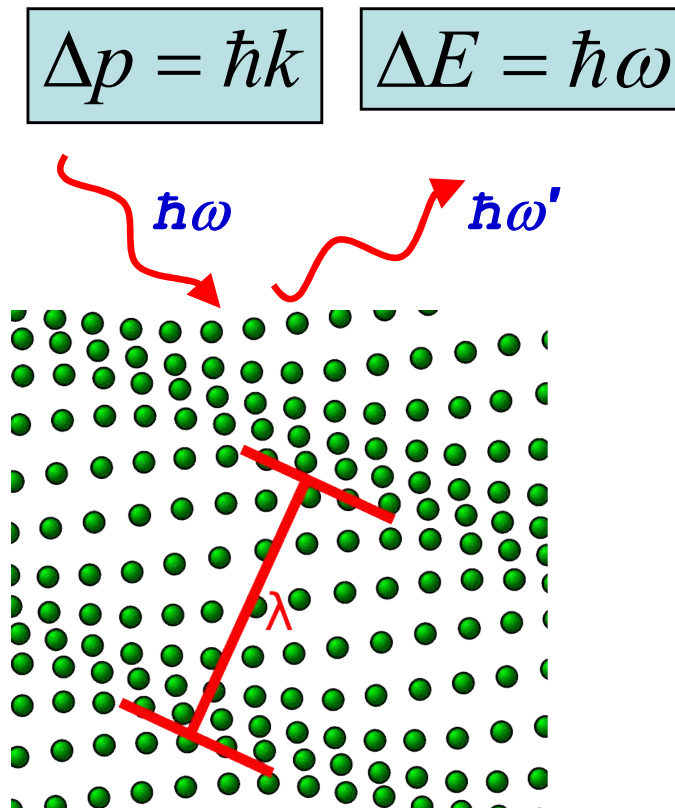
$$\Delta p = \hbar k \quad \Delta E = \hbar \omega$$



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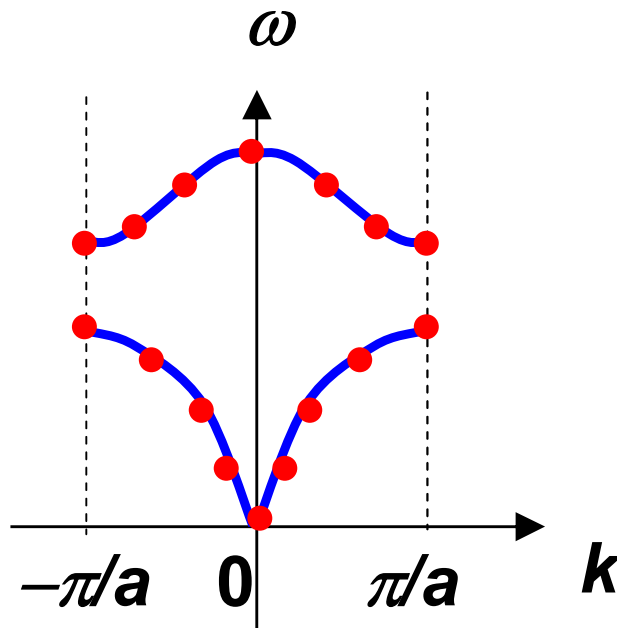
Neutron Scattering 中子散射

- Neutron has a similar mass with atoms
- Momentum and energy can cover the entire bands

$$\Delta p = \hbar k$$

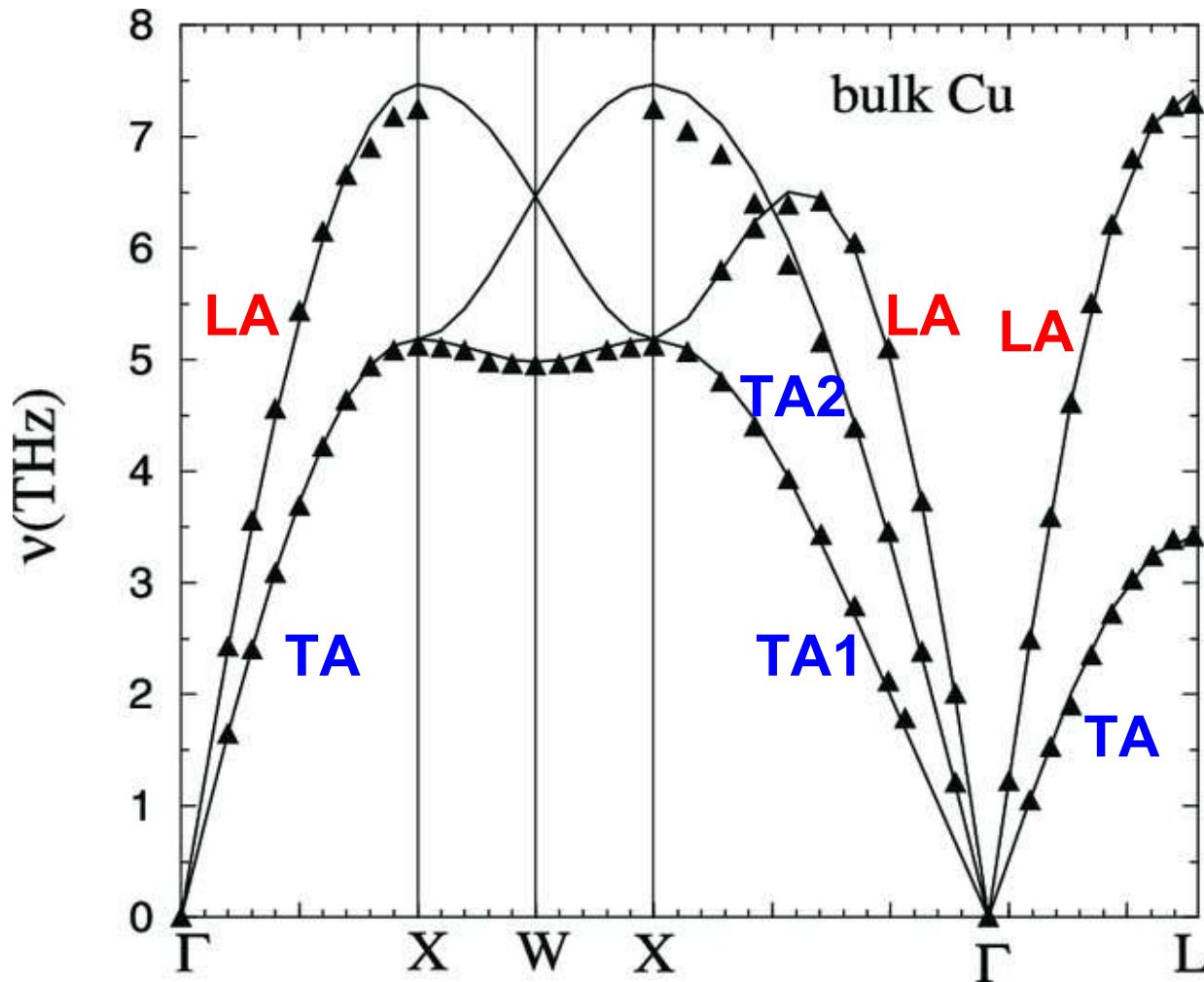
$$\Delta E = \hbar \omega$$

- Need a nuclear reactor!



散裂中子源，东莞

Phonon Band Diagram - Copper



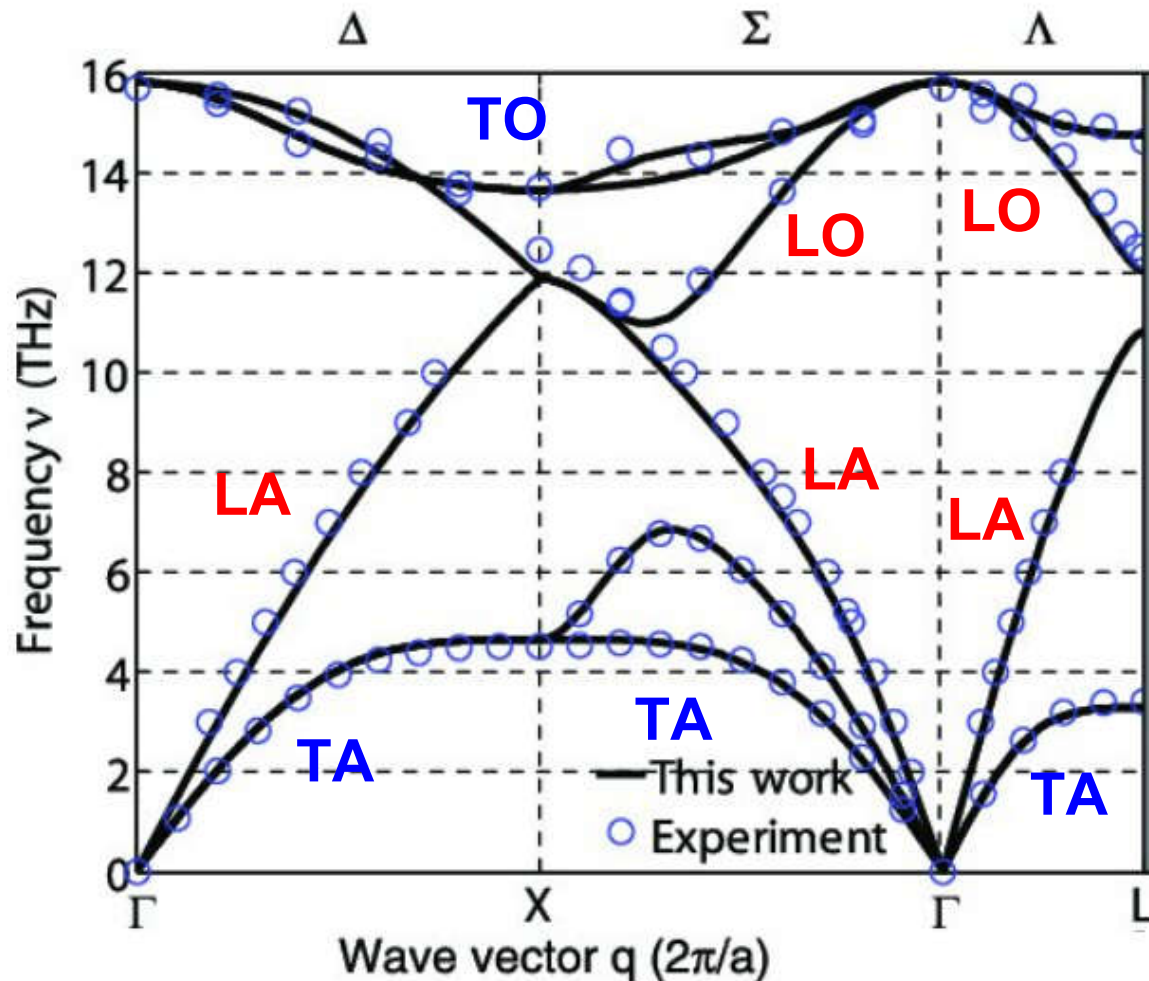
Cu has FCC structure, with **one** atom in a primitive cell.

There are only acoustic branches, no optical branches

▲ measured by neutron scattering

— calculation

Phonon Band Diagram - Silicon



Si has FCC structure, but with **two** atoms in a primitive cell.

There are both acoustic and optical branches.

○ measured by neutron scattering

— calculation

Density of States (DOS) 态密度

$$g(\omega) = \frac{dn}{d\omega}$$

DOS - number of frequency states/levels per unit frequency, per unit volume

**For 1D chain
LA mode**

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{4K}{m}} \left| \sin\left(\frac{ka}{2}\right) \right|$$

$$n = \frac{N}{L_x} = \frac{2k}{2\pi / L_x} \cdot \frac{1}{L_x} = \frac{k}{\pi}$$

→

$$g(\omega) = \frac{dn}{d\omega} = \frac{\frac{dn}{dk}}{\frac{d\omega}{dk}} = \dots$$

Density of States (DOS) 态密度

$$g(\omega) = \frac{dn}{d\omega}$$

DOS - number of frequency states/levels per unit frequency, per unit volume

For 3D solid

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{4K}{m}} \left| \sin\left(\frac{ka}{2}\right) \right|$$

$$n = \frac{3N}{V} = \frac{\frac{4\pi}{3}k^3}{(2\pi)^3 \frac{V}{V}} \frac{3}{V} = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} k^3$$

**at low ω
limit**



$$\omega \approx v_g k = v_g (2\pi^2 n)^{1/3}$$

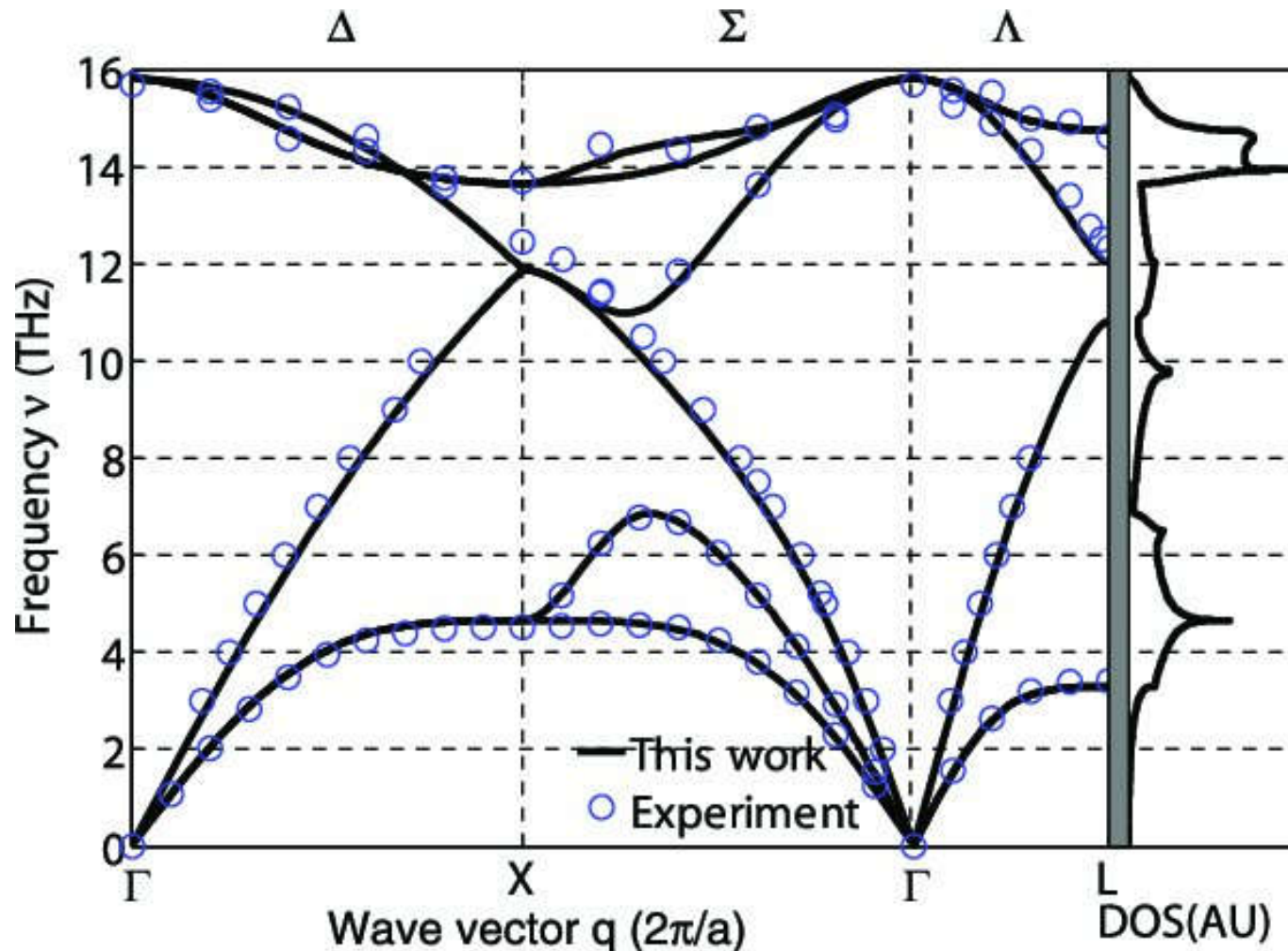


$$g(\omega) = \frac{dn}{d\omega} = \frac{3}{2\pi^2 v_g^3} \omega^2 = B\omega^2$$

**The Debye Model
(德拜模型)**

Density of States (DOS) 态密度

Phonon band diagram and DOS for Silicon



Thank you for your attention