

## Exam 3 averages

Multiple-choice: **67.7%**

Hand-graded part: will be available **next week**

## Finalizing iClicker scores 10-22

Scores for **Lectures 10-22** have been uploaded. Deadline for requesting corrections is **5 PM this Friday** (April 20).

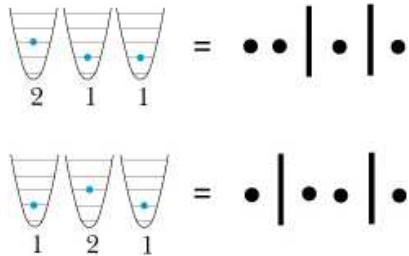
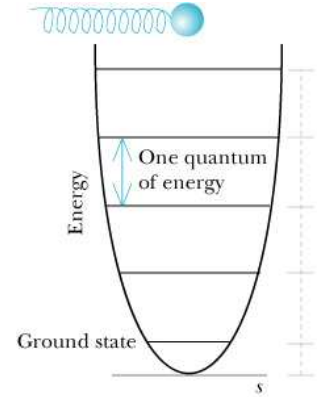
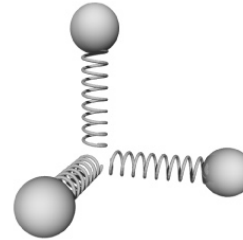
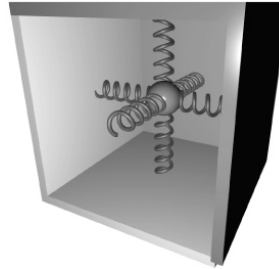
$$\Delta \vec{p} = \vec{F} \Delta t$$

$$\Delta E = W + Q$$

$$\Delta \vec{L} = \vec{\tau} \Delta t$$

# Last Time

## Einstein Model of Solids (springs + balls)



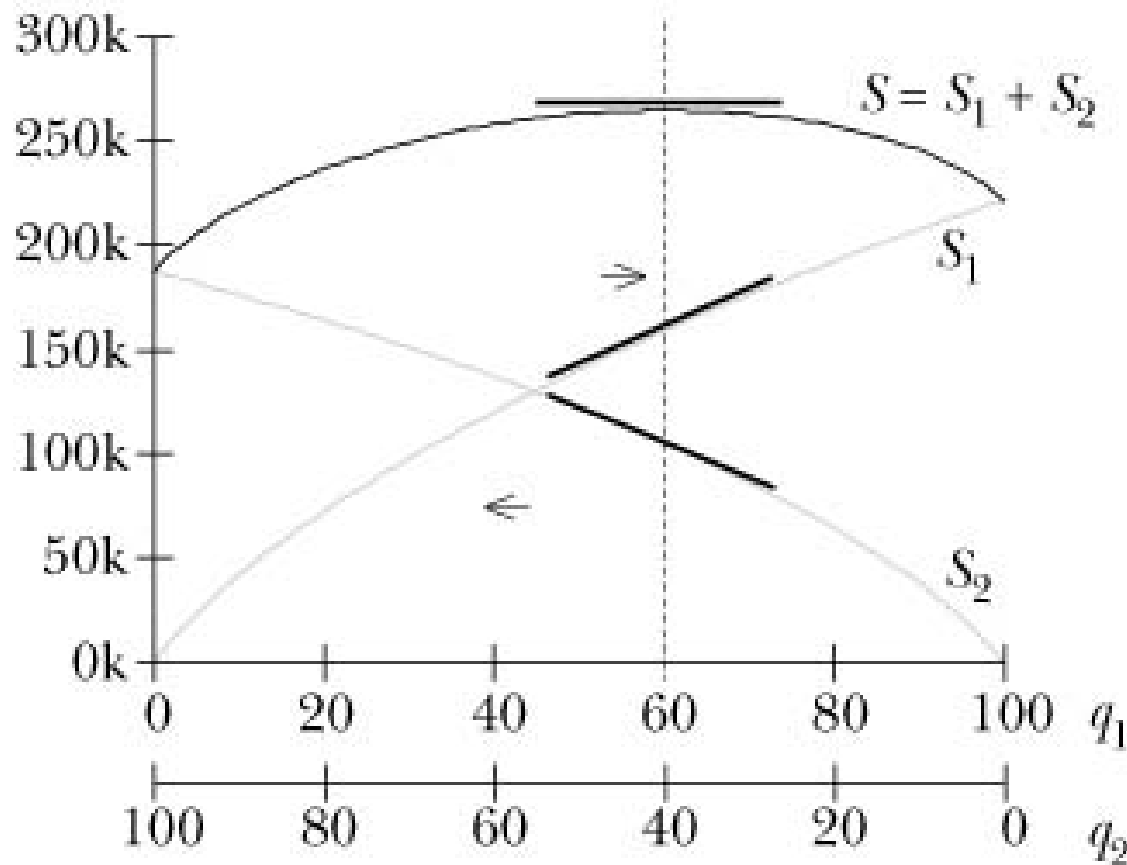
$$\Omega = \frac{(q + N - 1)!}{q!(N - 1)!}$$

**# microstates  
N oscillators  
& q quanta**

## Fundamental assumption of statistical mechanics

Over time, an isolated system in a given macrostate (total energy) is equally likely to be found in any of its microstates (microscopic distribution of energy).

# Equilibrium = Most Probable Distribution



$$S \equiv k \ln \Omega$$

$$\frac{dS}{dq_1} = \frac{dS_1}{dq_1} + \frac{dS_2}{dq_1} = 0$$

$$\frac{dS_1}{dq_1} = \frac{dS_2}{dq_2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{T} \equiv \frac{dS}{dE_{\text{int}}}}$$

Energy is exchanged until the most probable distribution is reached.

# Today: Heat Capacity

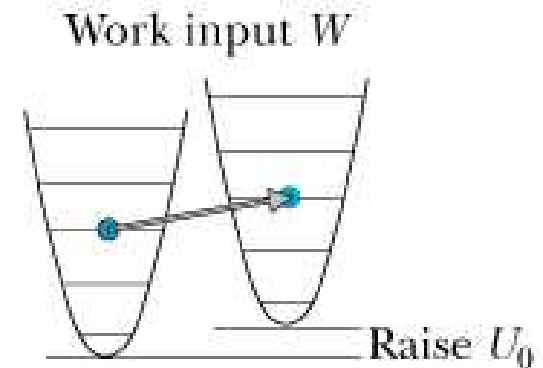
- **Brief Review of Heat Capacity**
- **Pb vs Al: A Chain of Reasoning**
- **Quantum versus Classical**

# Note: How Do Heat and Work Differ?

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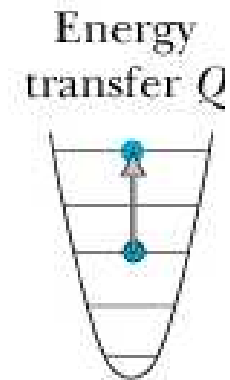
## WORK

Compress a solid (force through a distance):  
*SHAPE* changes → Energy Levels Change



## HEAT

Energy levels don't change.  
Transfer quanta from one place to another.



# Heat Capacity

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How much heat do you have to add to change the temperature by a certain amount?

- a) Large amount → Large heat capacity
- b) Small amount → Small heat capacity

Has to do with degrees of freedom -- where are all the microscopic places the system can store energy. More modes = higher heat capacity. (Energy will go into every mode it can...)

# Heat Capacity

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How much heat do you have to add  
to change the temperature by a certain amount?

$$C = \frac{\partial E_{\text{int}}}{\partial T}$$

(Heat = energy transferred)

Water has a high heat capacity.  
Live near water.

# Heat Capacity of Solids

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Which has the higher heat capacity,  
Lead (Pb) or Aluminum (Al)?

Compare for the same number of atoms, e.g.,  $6 \times 10^{23}$ .



**Lead**



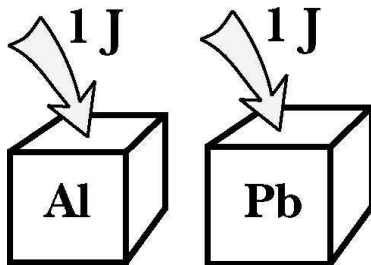
**Aluminum**



# Heat Capacity for Pb and Al

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Take a Pb and Al block with same number of atoms  $6 \times 10^{23}$ . Initially both are at a temperature very near absolute zero (0 K). We will **add 1 J of energy to the aluminum block, and 1 J of energy to the lead block, and see which block has the larger increase in temperature.**



$$C_{atom} = \frac{\Delta E_{atom}}{\Delta T} \equiv \frac{\Delta E_{system} / N_{atoms}}{\Delta T}$$

We will step through a chain of reasoning using statistical mechanics to answer this question, which will let us determine whether aluminum or lead has the higher heat capacity at low temperatures.

## CLICKER QUESTION

$$k_{\text{Al}} = 16 \text{ N/m}$$

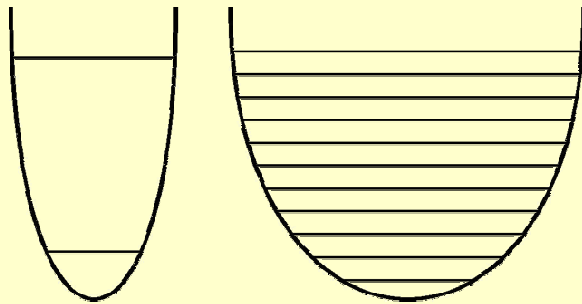
$$m_{\text{Al}} = 27 \text{ g}$$

$$k_{\text{Pb}} = 5 \text{ N/m}$$

$$m_{\text{Pb}} = 207 \text{ g}$$

(1 mole of each)

**Einstein model = independent quantum harmonic oscillators.  
Which shows the right energy level diagram?**



**A)** Al

Pb

**B)** Pb

Al

$$\Delta E = \hbar \omega = \hbar \sqrt{\frac{k_{\text{atom}}}{m_{\text{atom}}}}$$

**ANSWER:**

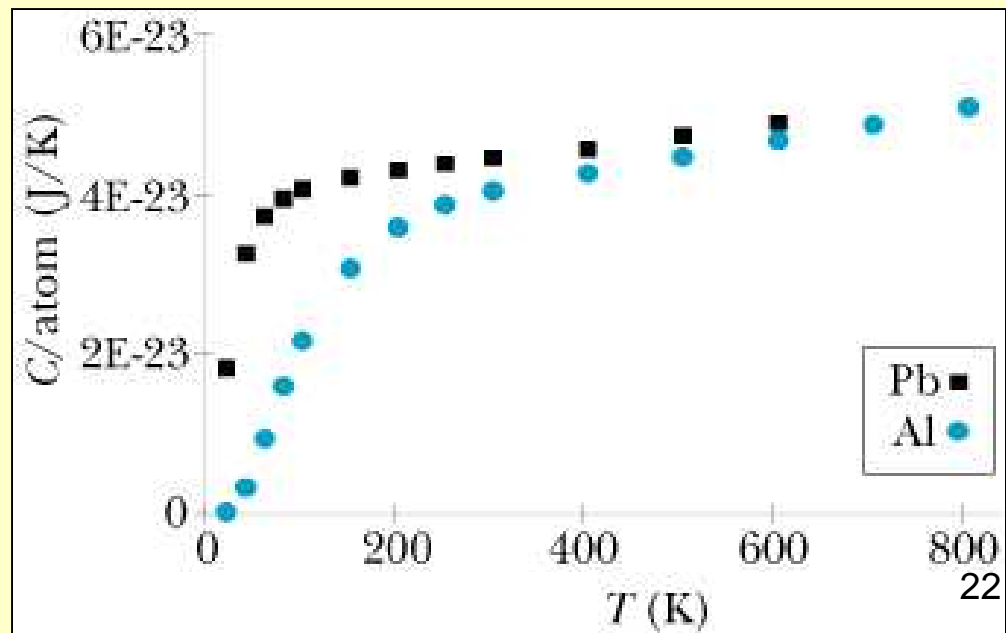
$$\sqrt{\frac{16}{27}} > \sqrt{\frac{5}{207}}$$

# CLICKER QUESTION

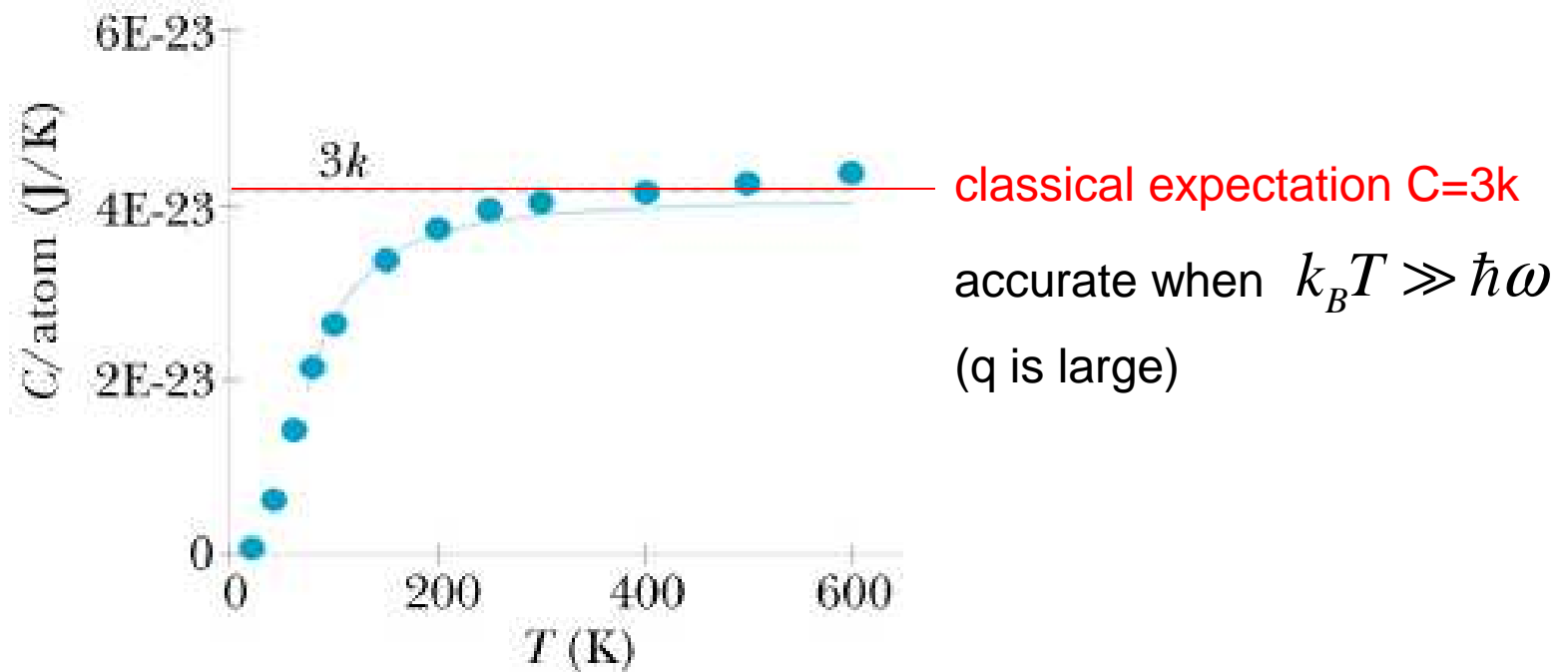
The original temperature was 0 K, and the final temperature of the Al block is higher than that of the Pb block, so the Al block has the larger *change* in temperature,  $\Delta T$ . At low temperatures, which block has the greater heat capacity per atom,  $C = (\Delta E / \Delta T) / 6e23$ ?

- A) The low-temperature heat capacity per atom of Al is greater
- B) The low-temperature heat capacity per atom of Pb is greater
- C) Same for both.

Measured heat capacities

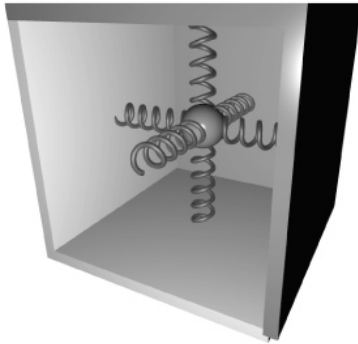


# Specific Heat and Quantization



NOTE: The classical expectation was known to disagree with the data long ago. Quantization of energy levels solved this paradox, one of the first signs of the need for quantum mechanics.

# Improving Einstein's Model



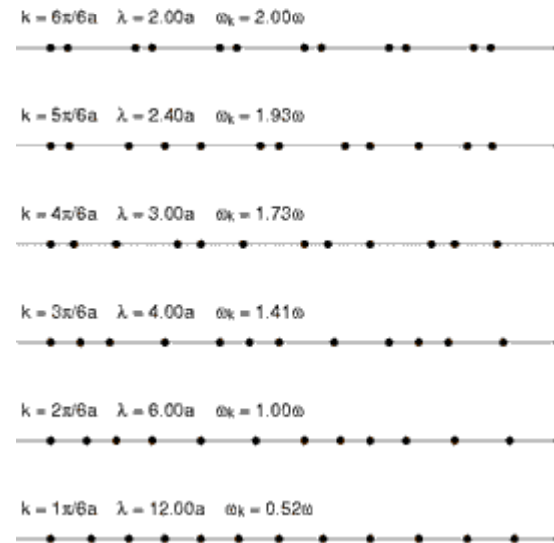
Are atoms in a solid really isolated from each other? No!

Really: atoms interact with each other.

Atoms don't oscillate independently.

They have **waves** called **phonons**.

How to be better than Einstein:  
Treat the **phonons** as harmonic oscillators!  
You'll see this in Physics 416.



# Today: Specific Heat Capacity

- Brief Review of Specific Heat
- Pb vs Al: A Chain of Reasoning
- Quantum versus Classical

## Next Lecture: Boltzmann Distribution

- Derivation
- Application: Kinetic Theory of Gasses