

Introduction to Lattice Dynamics

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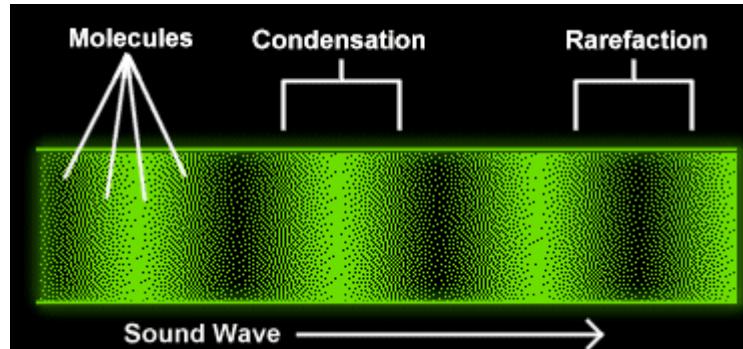
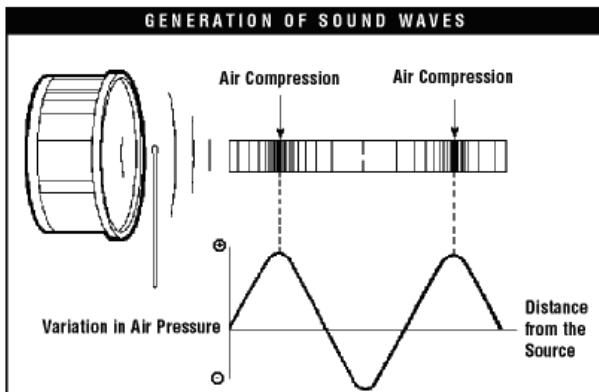
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Heat is a form of ENERGY!!

Sound and vibration

Where the energy gone?

How do we know there are vibrations in matters (gas, liquid and solid)?



The acoustic velocity is related to the change in pressure and density of the substance

$$v_s = \sqrt{\frac{dP}{dp}} : \quad (\text{Hooke's law})$$

Heat Capacity

Heat capacity

is a measure of how much materials can store up heat as they change temperature.

Dulong–Petit law (1819) states that the gram-atomic heat capacity (specific heat times atomic weight) of an element is a constant; that is, it is the same for all solid elements, about six calories per gram atom.

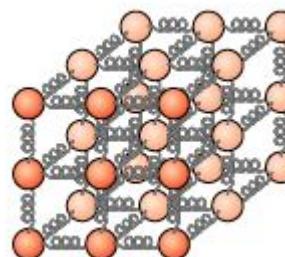
Where the heat had gone? Or
How heat can be stored in a solid?

The molar specific heat of a solid at high temperatures can be explained using the equipartition theorem. The energy associated with vibrational motion (*e.g.* in the x direction)

$$U = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}k\Delta x^2$$

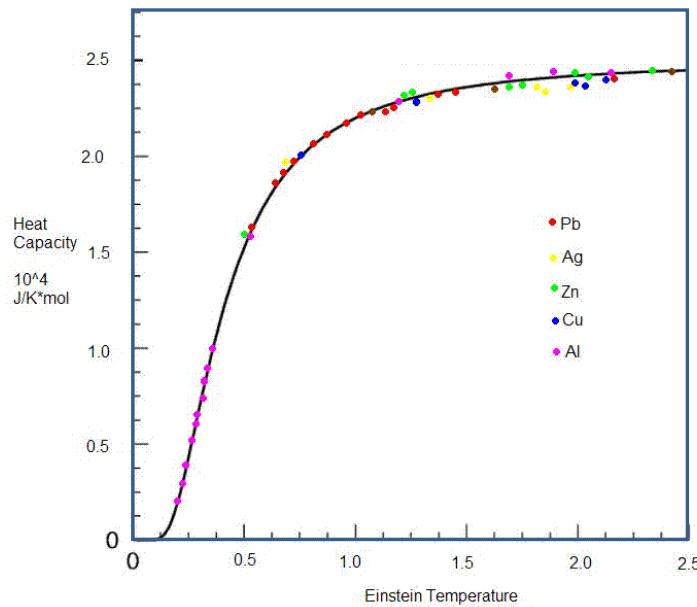
this corresponds to an average vibrational energy of $6(12 k_B T) = 3k_B T$ per atom. Therefore, the total internal energy (E) of a solid consisting of N atoms is $3Nk_B T = 3nRT$. The molar specific heat of a solid at constant volume is

$$C_v = \frac{1}{n} \frac{dU}{dT} = 3R \quad (= 24.94 \text{ JK}^{-1})$$



	$C_p \text{ (J/mol.K)}$
Al	24.3
Fe	25.7
Ni	26.8
Cu	24.4
Pb	26.9
Ag	25.5
C	10.9
Water	75.3

Heat Capacity – Einstein model



$$U = \sum n_i \epsilon_i$$

Number Distribution
Energy Distribution

There is a temperature dependence (*i.e.* distribution) of the oscillators!

Introduce Bose-Einstein distribution,

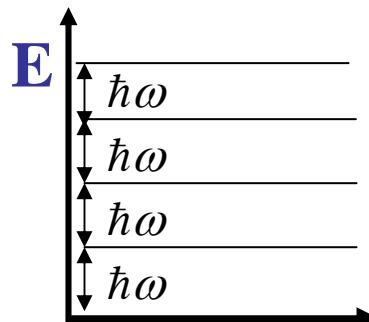
$$\bar{n} = \frac{1}{e^{\hbar\omega/k_B T} - 1}$$

Energy levels are equally spaced!

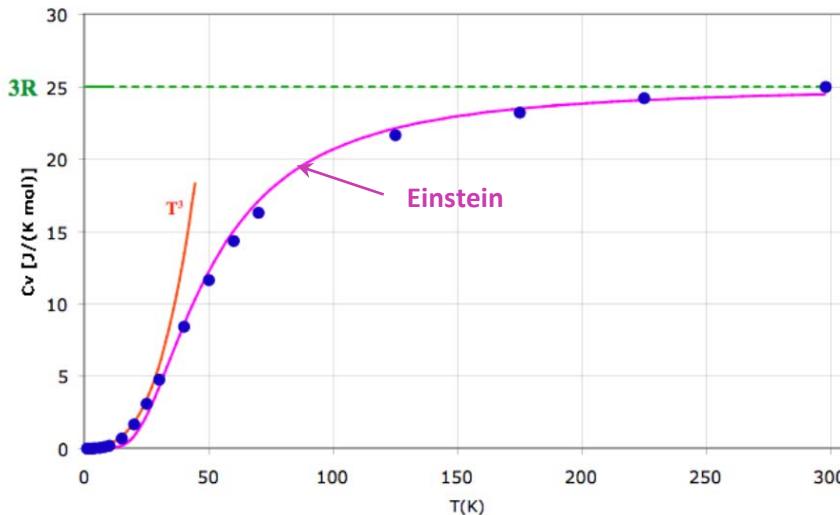
the total internal energy of the solid $U = 3N\hbar\omega (\bar{n} + \frac{1}{2})$

$$C_v = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_v = 3Nk_B F_E \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{k_B T} \right)$$

$$F_E(x) = \frac{x^2}{(e^x - 1)(1 - e^{-x})}$$



Heat Capacity – Einstein/Debye model



Einstein Approximation: all modes (oscillators) have the same frequency $\Rightarrow \omega_E$

Debye approximation: In the low temperature limit acoustic modes dominate.
i.e. there is distribution of vibration modes !

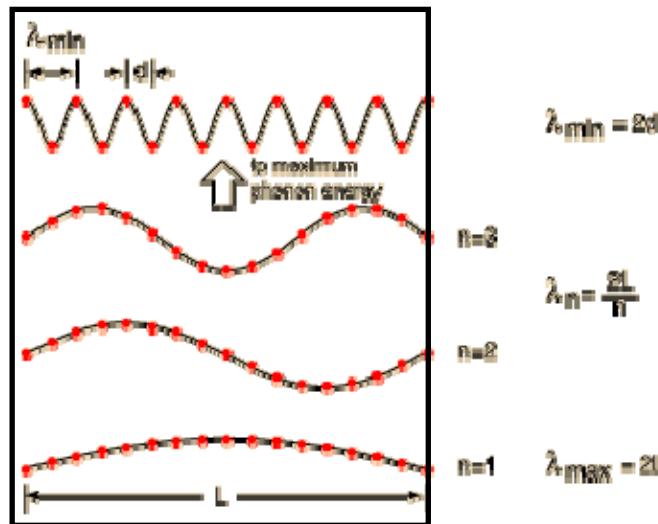
Therefore the total internal energy should be,

$$U = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\hbar\omega}{\exp(\hbar\omega/kT)-1} g(\omega)d\omega$$

Annotations:

- No. of phonons in $d\omega$ at ω
- $g(\omega)d\omega$
- Einstein statistic

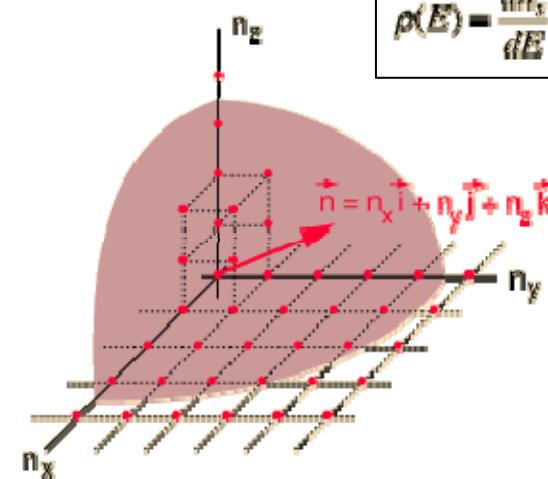
Phonon in a box



$$h\nu = \frac{\hbar v_s}{\lambda} = \frac{\hbar v_s n}{2L}$$

$$\lambda_{\min} = 2d$$

$$\rho(E) = \frac{dn_s}{dE} = \frac{8\pi}{(hc)^3} E^2$$



the total energy in the lattice vibrations is of the form

$$U = 3 \int_0^{E_{\max}} \frac{E}{e^{E/kT} - 1} dE$$

expressed in terms of the phonon modes by expressing the integral in terms of the mode number n .

$$U = \frac{3\pi}{2} \int_0^{n_{\max}} \frac{\hbar v_s n}{2L} \frac{n^2}{e^{\hbar v_s n / 2kT} - 1} dn$$

let $x_{\max} = \frac{\hbar v_s n_{\max}}{2LkT} = \frac{\hbar v_s}{2kT} \left(\frac{6N}{\pi V}\right)^{1/3} = \frac{T_B}{T}$ the integral takes the form

$$U = \frac{9NkT^4}{T_B^3} \int_0^{T_B/T} \frac{x^3}{e^x - 1} dx$$

Heat Capacity - Debye model

Debye assumed a dispersion relationship
(phonon in a box)

$$\omega_j(k) = ck$$

and a phonon distribution function

$$g(\omega)d\omega \propto 4\pi k^2 dr$$

therefore,

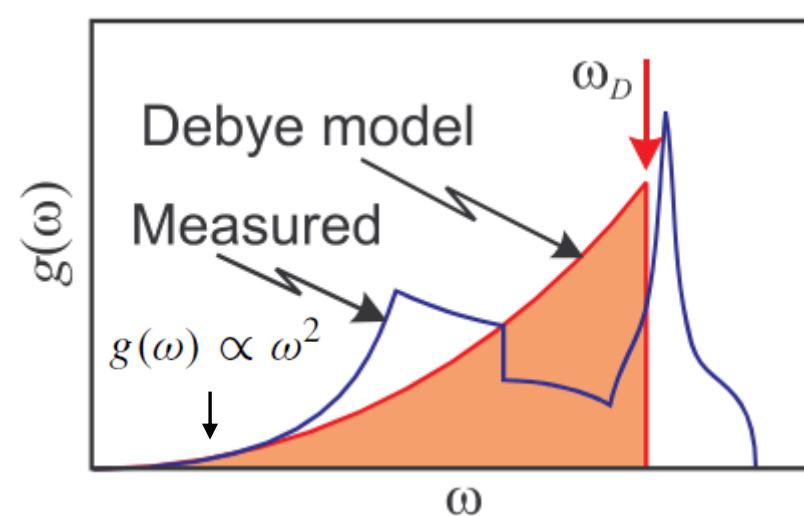
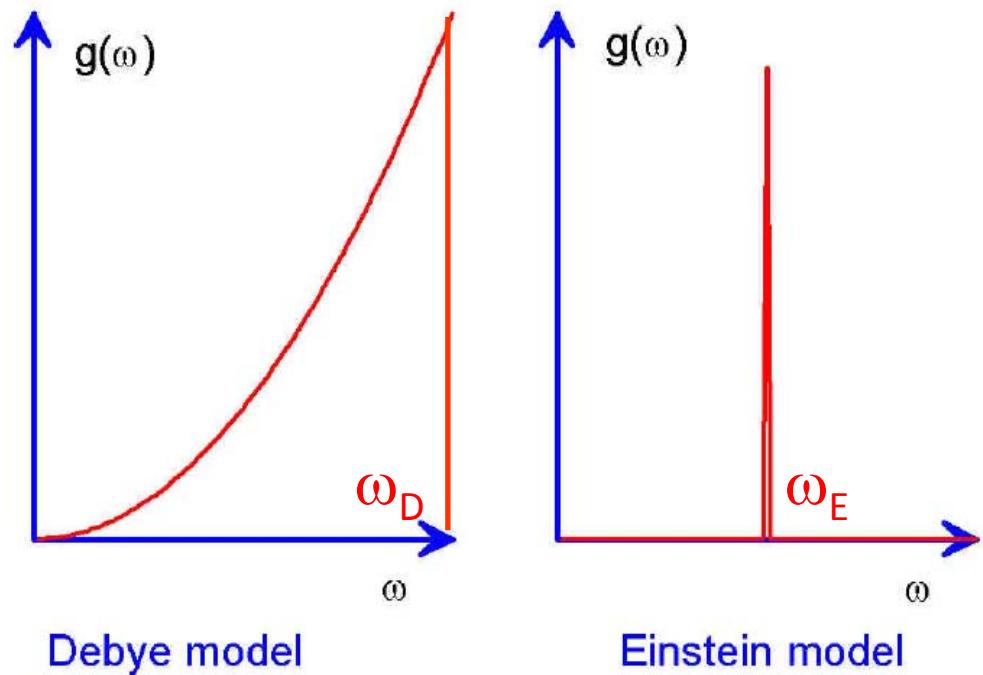
$$g(\omega) = D\omega^2$$

with a cutoff frequency, ω_D

$$g(\omega) = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{1}{v_i^3} + \frac{2}{v_i^3} \right) \omega^2 = \frac{3V}{2\pi^2} \frac{\omega^2}{v_s^3}$$

$$U = \frac{3V\hbar}{2\pi^2 v_s^3} \int_0^{\omega_D} \omega^3 \frac{1}{\exp(\hbar\omega/kT)-1} d\omega$$

$$c_V = \int_0^{\omega_D} \frac{3V\omega^2}{2\pi^2 c^3} \hbar\omega \frac{\partial n}{\partial T} d\omega$$



What can we learn from Debye temperature?

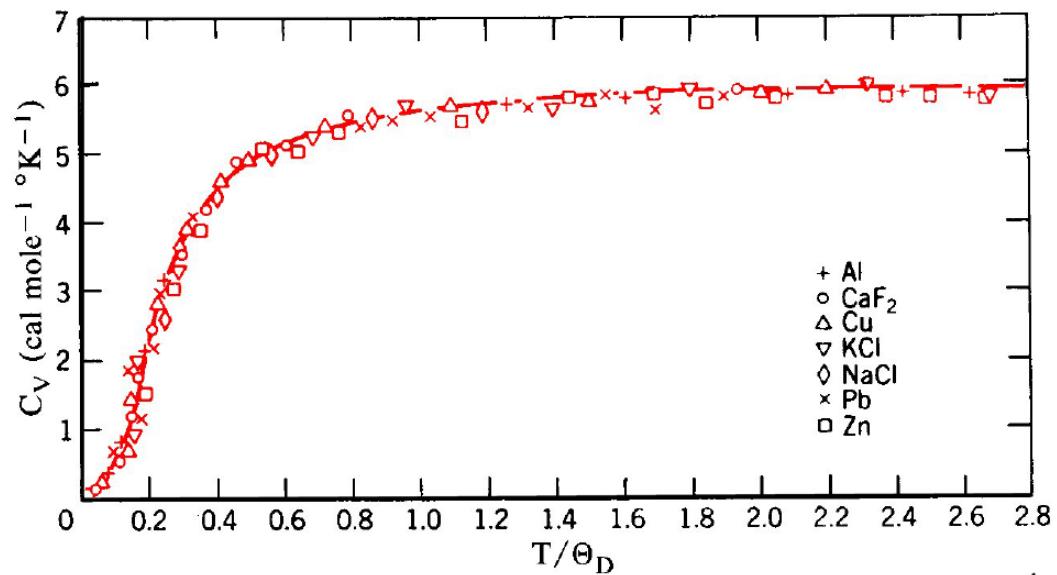
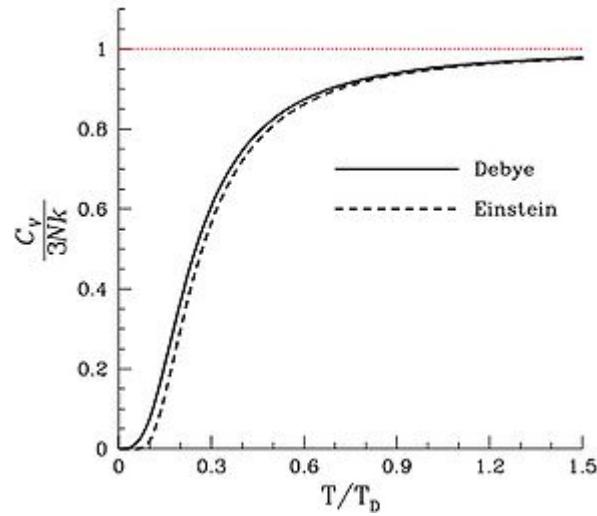
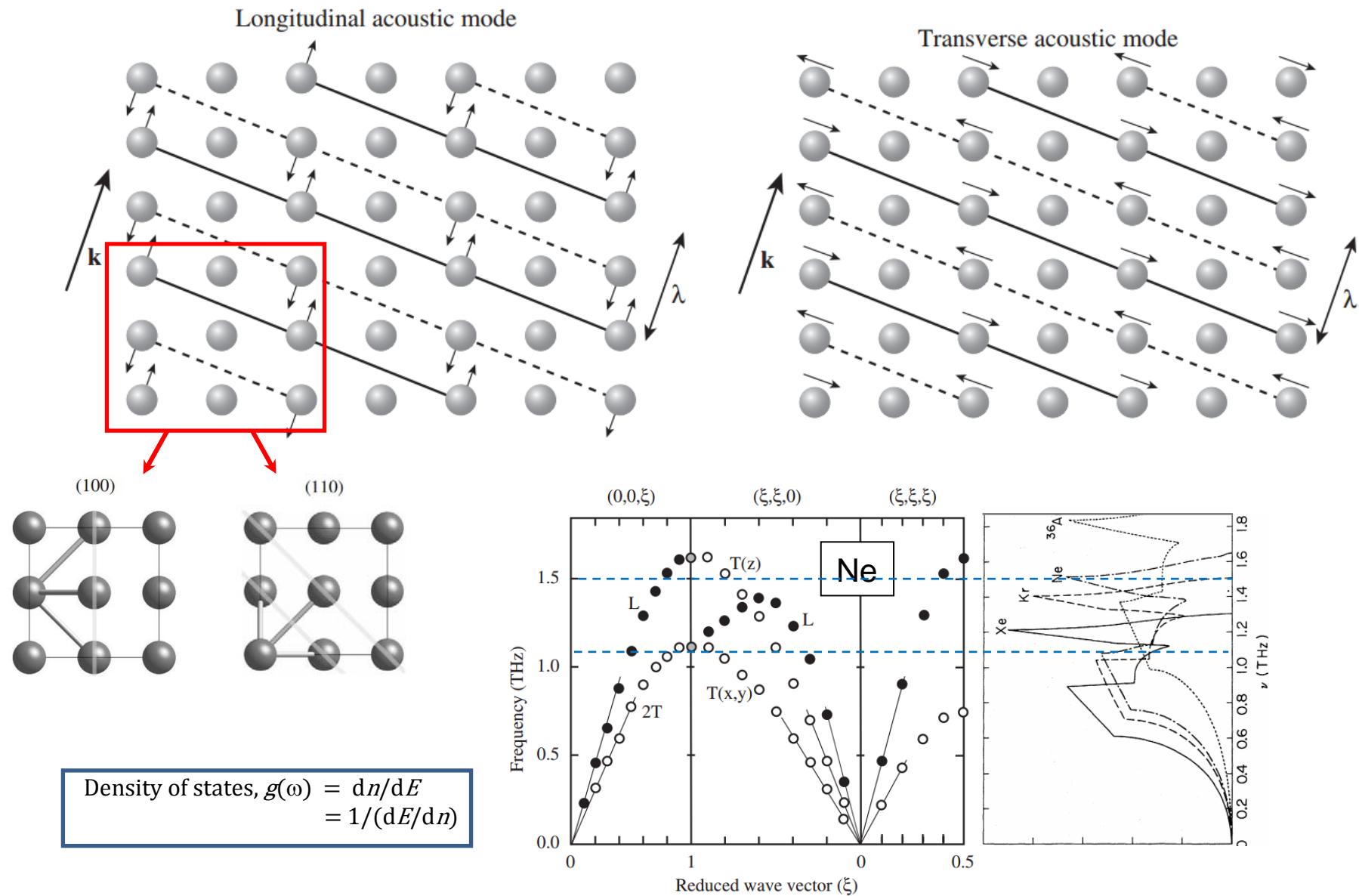


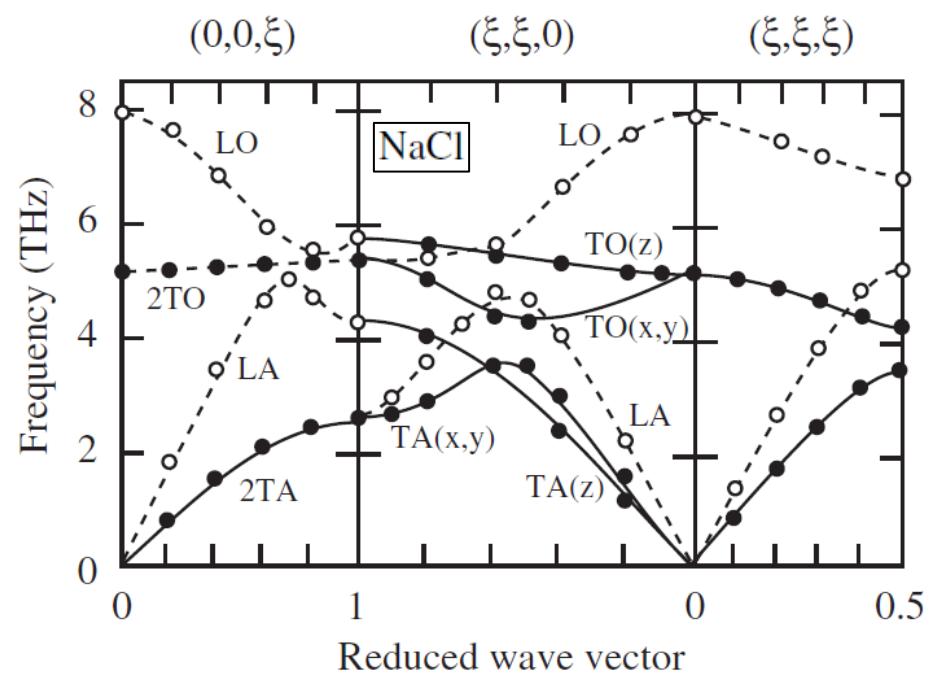
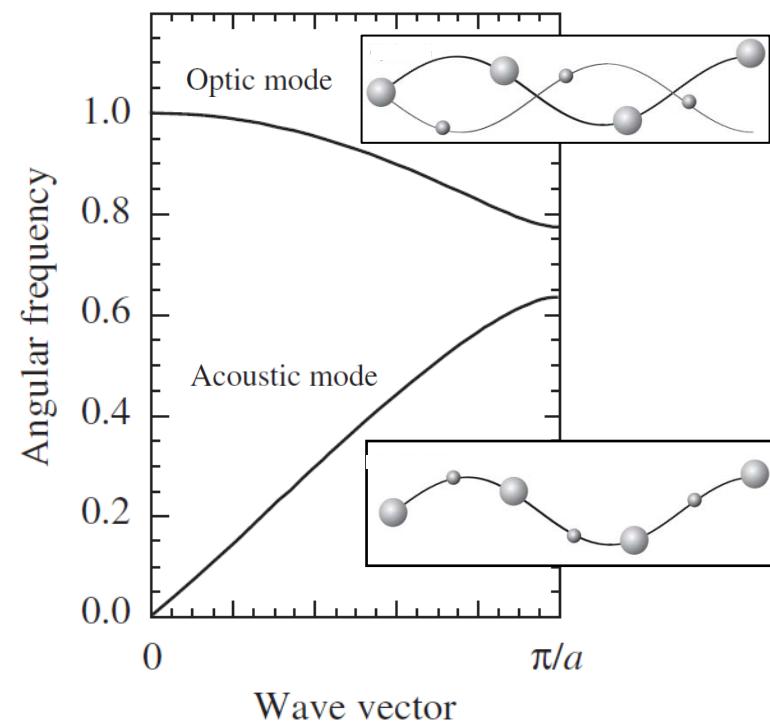
Table 4.5 Debye temperatures T_D , heat capacities, and thermal conductivities of selected elements

	Crystal							
	Ag	Be	Cu	Diamond	Ge	Hg	Si	W
T_D (K) [*]	215	1000	315	1860	360	100	625	310
C_m (J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹) [†]	25.6	16.46	24.5	6.48	23.38	27.68	19.74	24.45
c_s (J K ⁻¹ g ⁻¹) [†]	0.237	1.825	0.385	0.540	0.322	0.138	0.703	0.133
κ (W m ⁻¹ K ⁻¹) [†]	429	183	385	1000	60	8.65	148	173

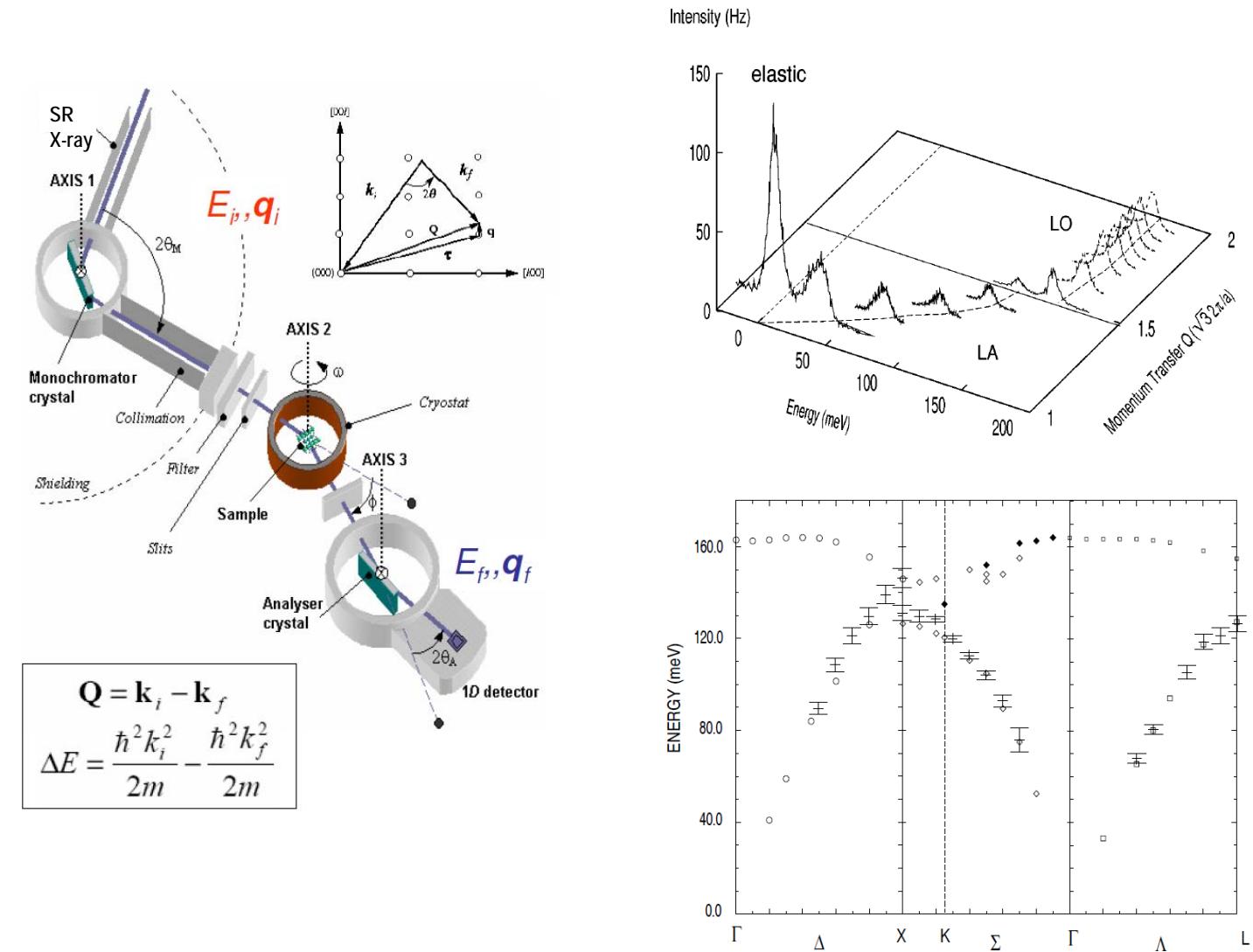
Phonon band structure



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Phonon Dispersion of Diamond Measured by Inelastic X-Ray Scattering



Theoretical lattice dynamics

Force constant, Hooke's Law

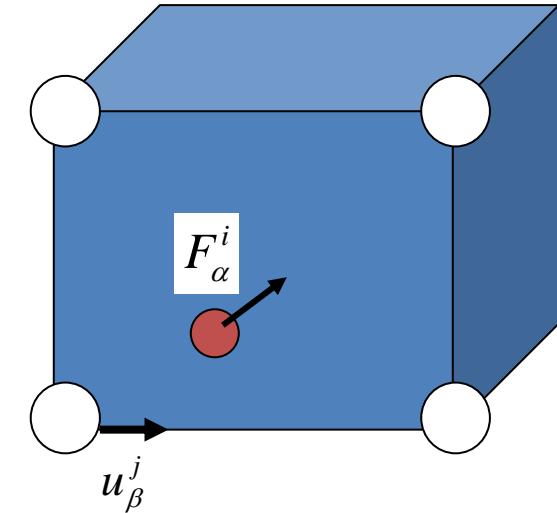
$$\Phi_{\alpha\beta}^{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 E_{tot}}{\partial u_\alpha^i \partial u_\beta^j} = -\frac{\partial F_\alpha^i}{\partial u_\beta^j} \approx -\frac{F_\alpha^i}{u_\beta^j} \quad i, j = 1, N \\ \alpha, \beta = x, y, z$$

Dynamic matrix is the Fourier transformation of force constants

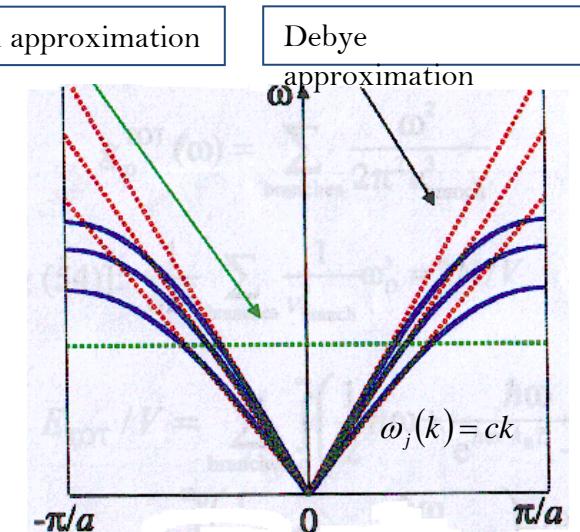
$$D_{\alpha\beta}^{ij}(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_i M_j}} \sum_L \Phi_{\alpha\beta}^{i,j+L} e^{-iq \cdot (R^{j+L} - R^i)}$$

Diagonalize Dynamic matrix to get phonon dispersions, and DOS

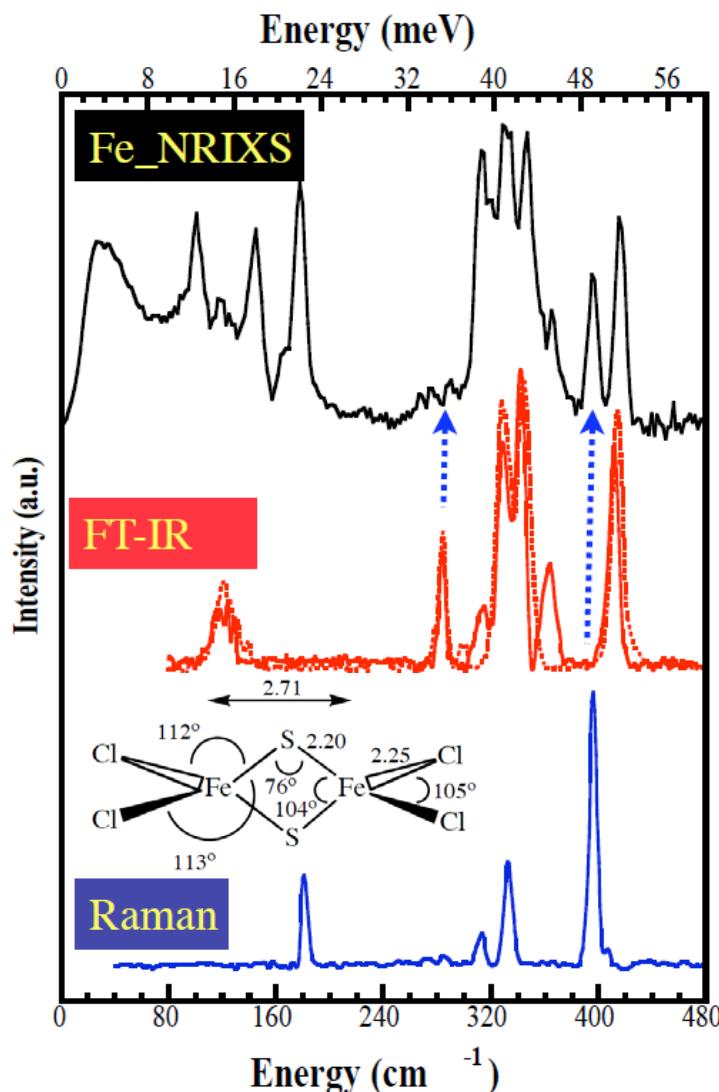
$$\mathbf{u}(jl) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Nm_j}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \nu} [\mathbf{e}(j, \mathbf{k}, \nu) \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}(jl)) \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{k}, \nu)]$$



Einstein approximation

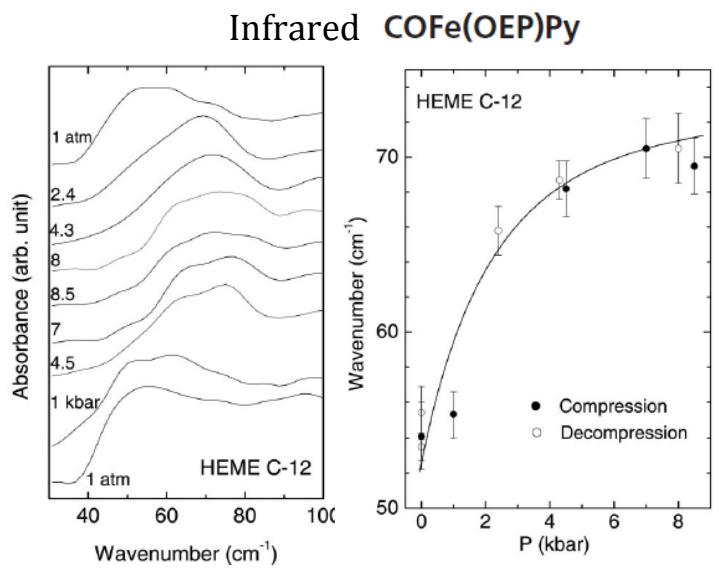
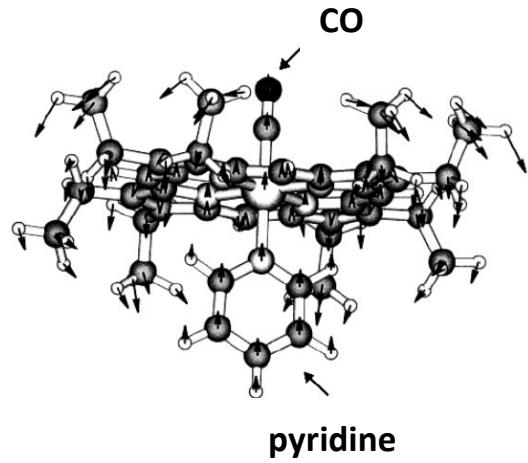


Selection rules

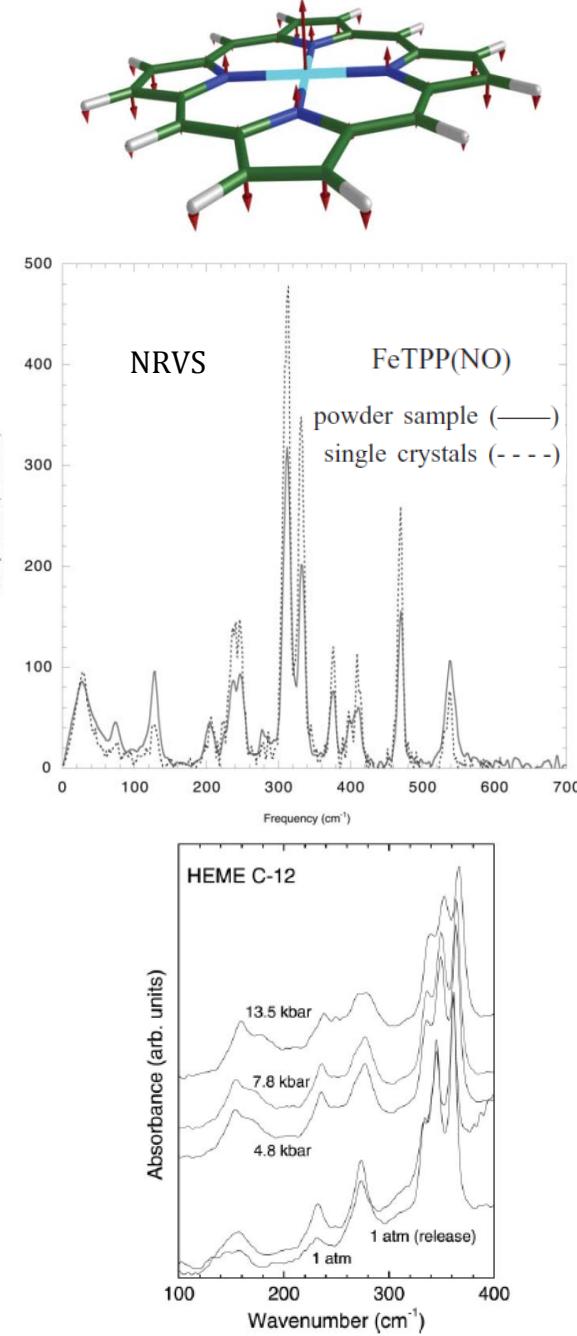
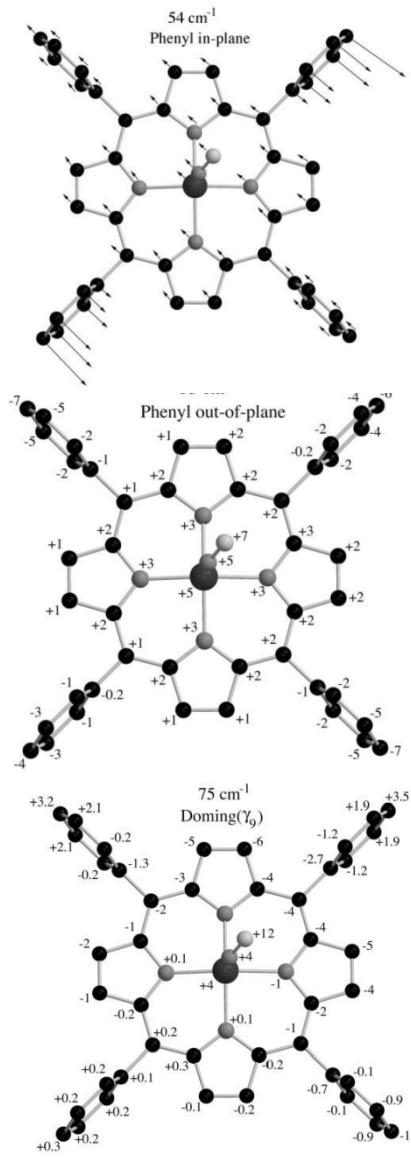


Selection rules:

- Infrared
Only “*u*” modes are active
 $I \propto |\partial\mu/\partial q|^2$
- Raman
Only “*g*” modes are active
 $I \propto |\partial\alpha/\partial q|^2$
- NRVS
All modes are active
 $I \propto \text{VDOS}$



Doming modes



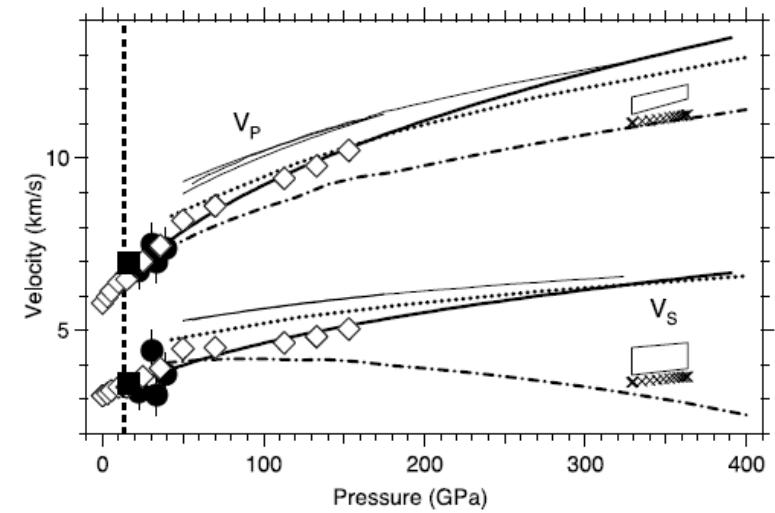
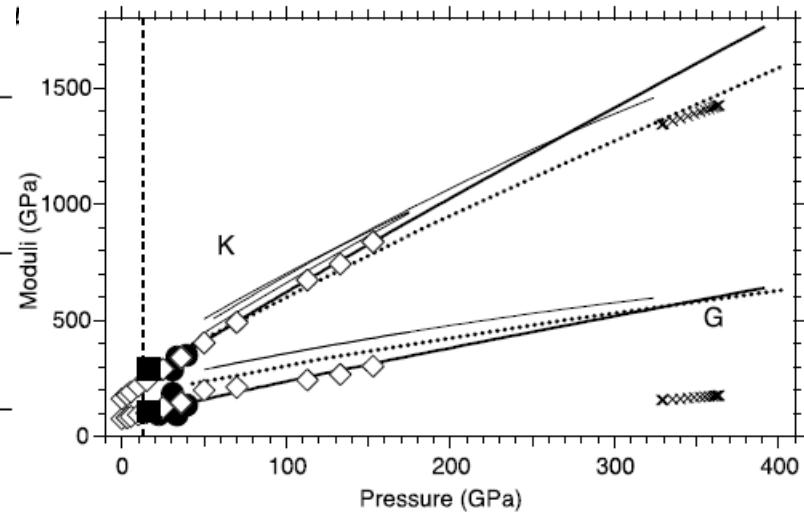
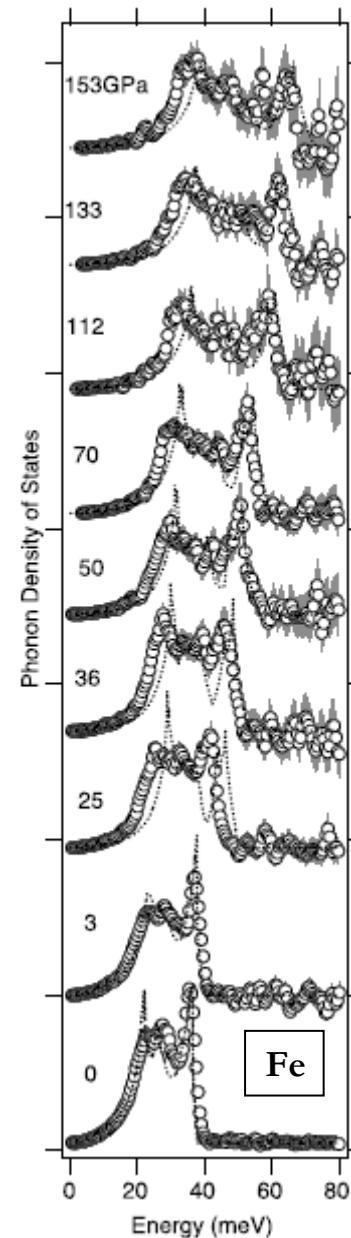
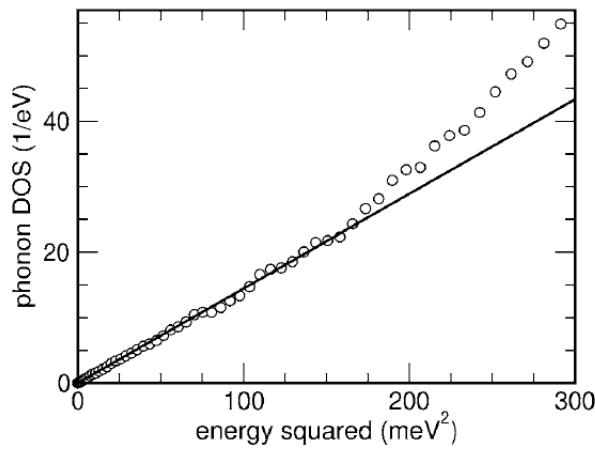
Properties derived from sound velocity

$$g(\omega) = \frac{V\omega^2}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{v_s^3} \Rightarrow g(\omega) = \frac{V\omega^2}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{1}{v_L^3} + \frac{2}{v_T^3} \right)$$

$$\frac{3}{V_D^3} = \frac{1}{V_P^3} + \frac{2}{V_S^3}$$

$$\frac{K}{\rho} = V_P^2 - \frac{4}{3} V_S^2$$

$$\frac{G}{\rho} = V_S^2$$



Properties derived from vibrational density of states

The partition function for the harmonic lattice is given by

$$\ln Z^N = -3N \int \ln\left(2 \sinh \frac{\beta E}{2}\right) g(E) dE$$

the vibrational energy per atom

$$U = -\frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \beta} = \frac{3}{2} \int E \coth \frac{\beta E}{2} g(E) dE$$

vibrational entropy per atom S

$$S = k_B \beta U + k_B \ln Z$$

the free energy per atom F

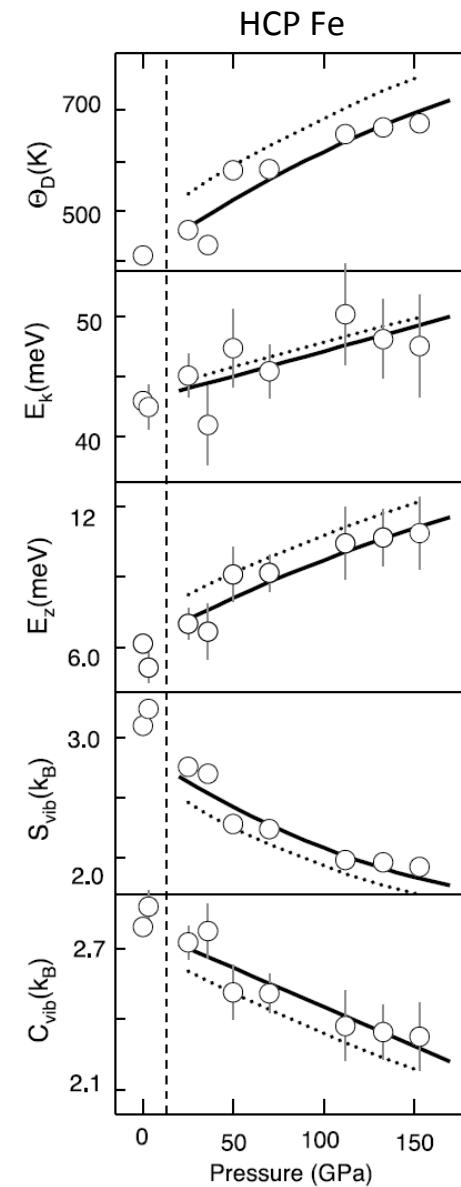
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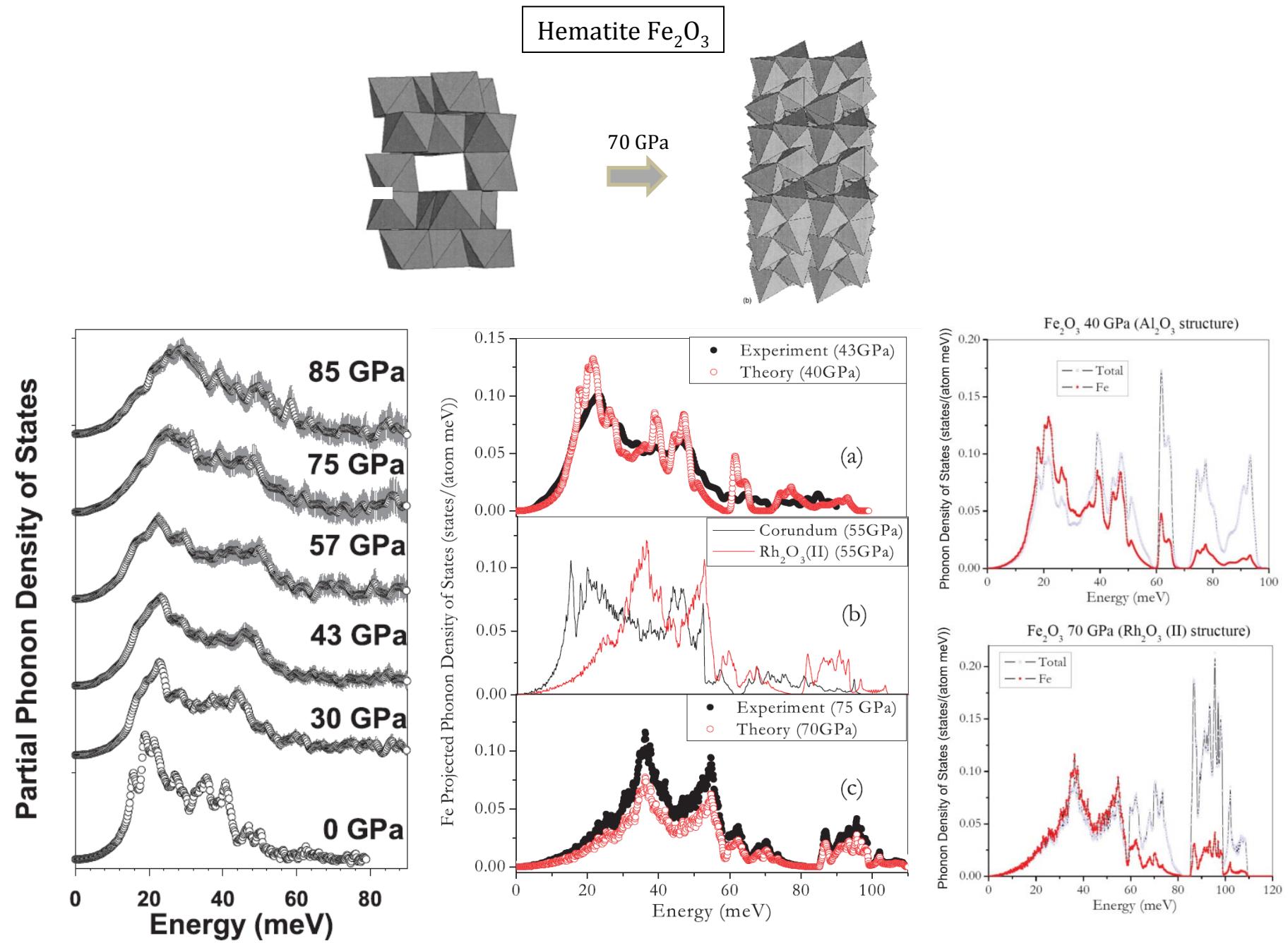
the specific heat per atom at constant volume

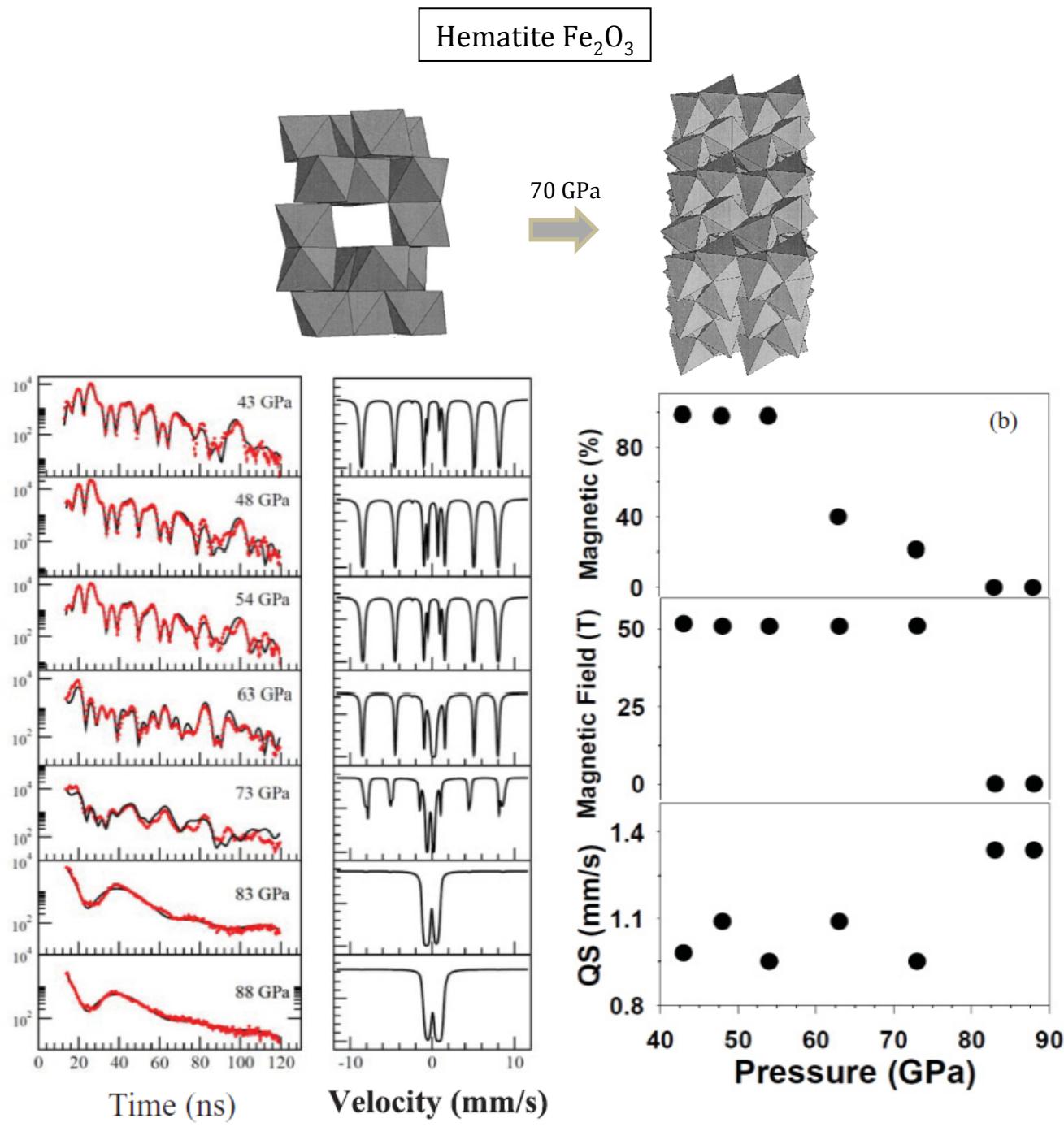
$$c_V = \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} = k_B \beta^2 \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z}{\partial \beta^2} = 3k_B \int \left(\frac{\beta E}{2 \sinh(\beta E/2)} \right)^2 g(E) dE$$

mean force constant

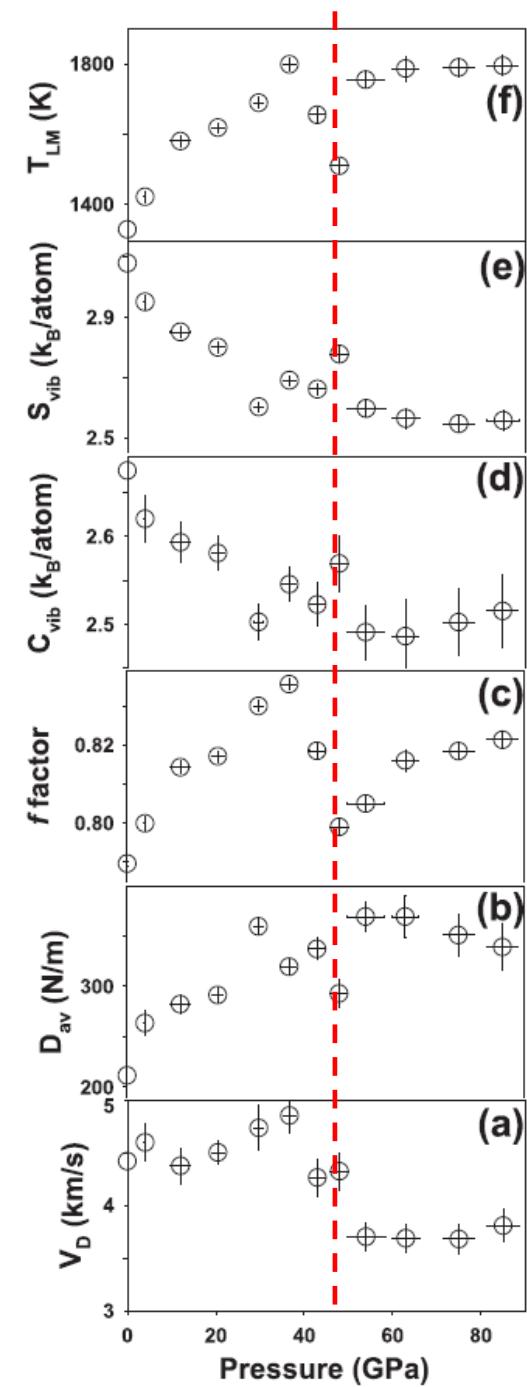
$$F_m = \frac{9}{10} \frac{k^2}{E_r} k_B^2 \theta_D^2$$



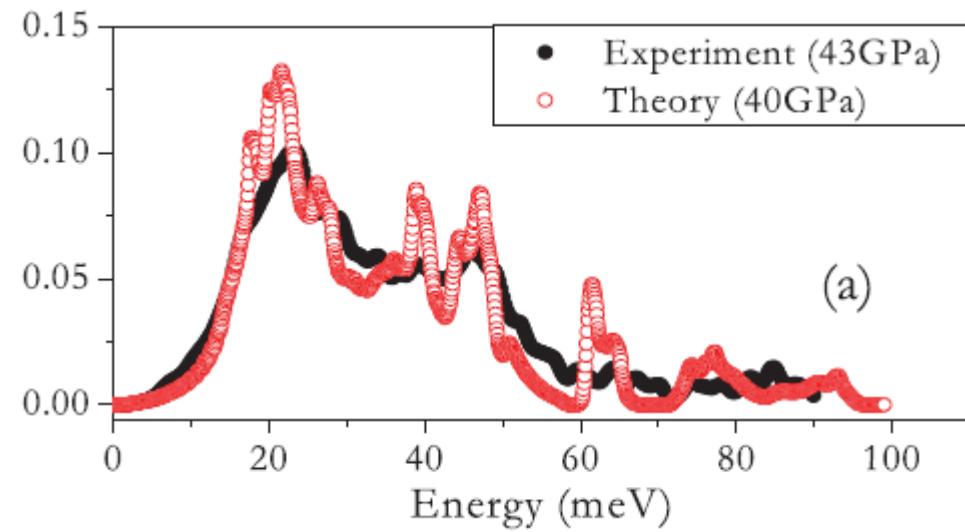
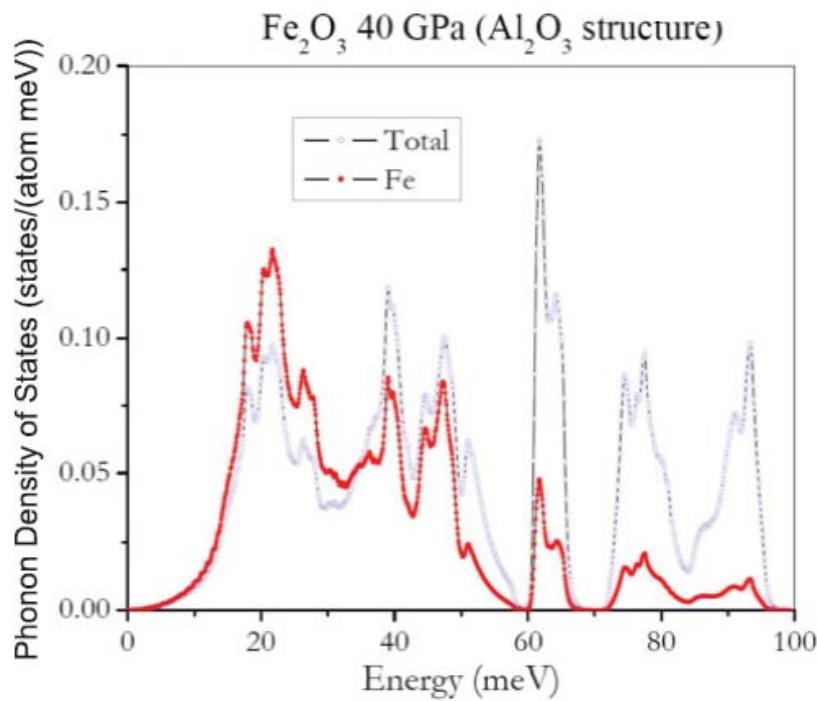
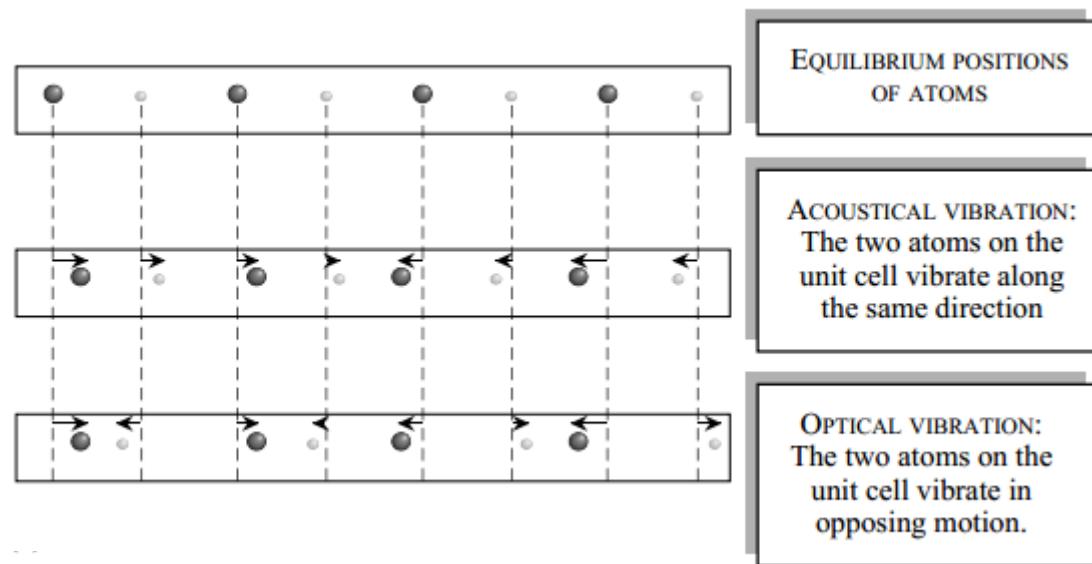




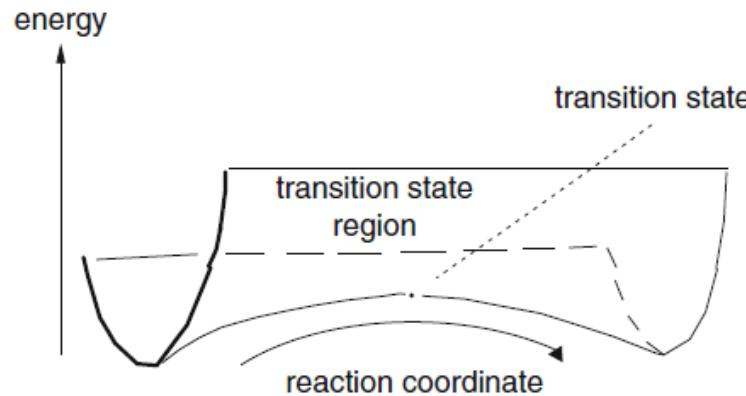
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Why it works for multi-component systems?



Soft mode and Gruneisen parameter

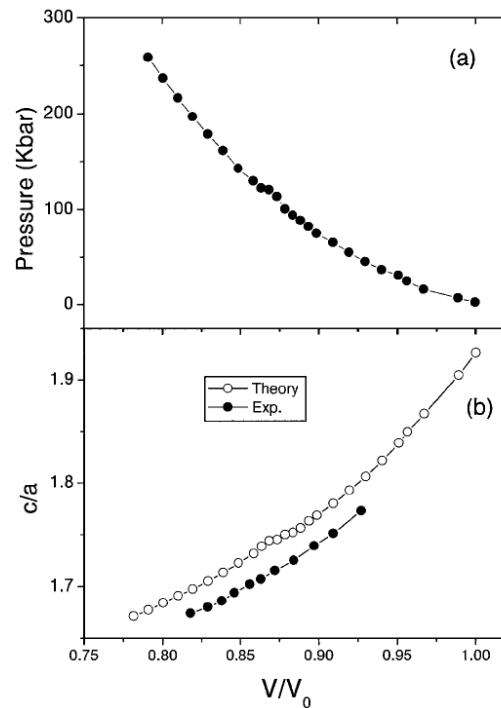


$$\tilde{\nu} = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \left(\frac{k}{\mu} \right)^{1/2}$$

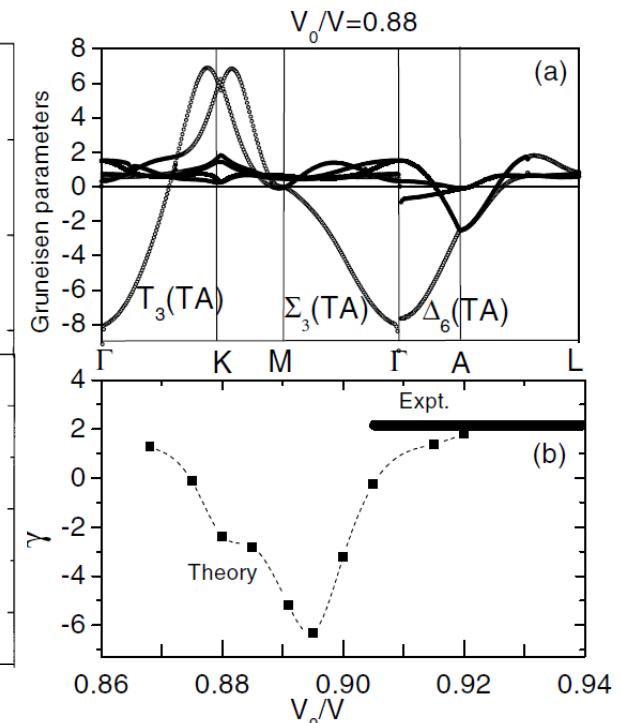
$$F = -kq \quad \Rightarrow \quad -k = \frac{\partial F}{\partial q} = \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial q^2}$$

For a *transition state* $\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial q^2} > 0$

$k < 0$ and $\tilde{\nu}$ is imaginary



$$\gamma_i(\mathbf{q}) = -\frac{\partial \ln \omega(\mathbf{q})_i}{\partial \ln V}$$



$$\gamma_{vib} = \gamma_{vib,i} \left(\frac{V}{V_i} \right)^q \quad \gamma_D = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{V}{v_D} \left(\frac{\partial v_D}{\partial V} \right)_T$$

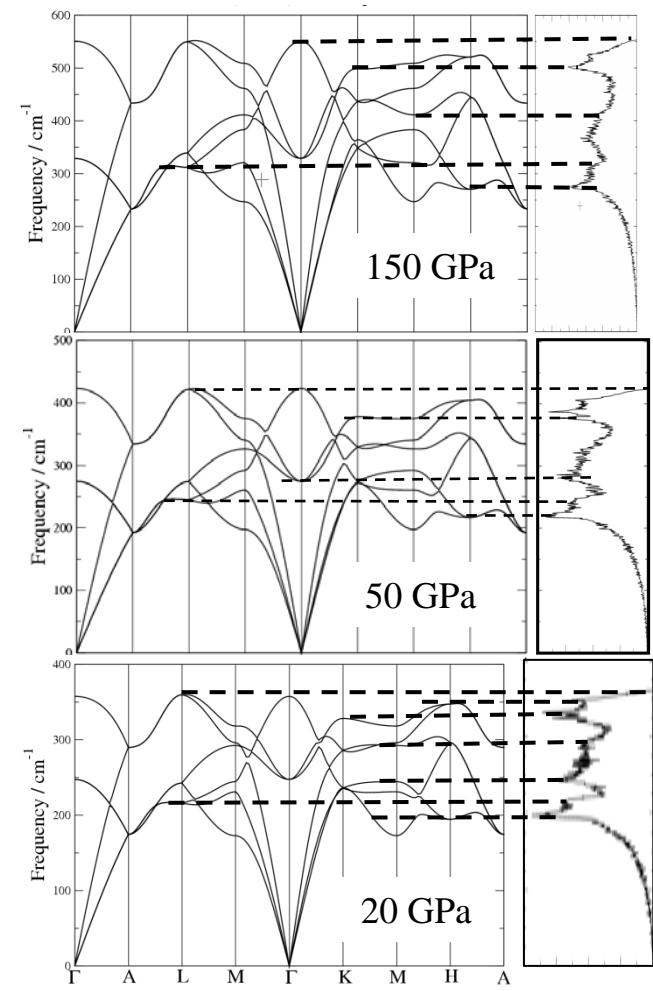
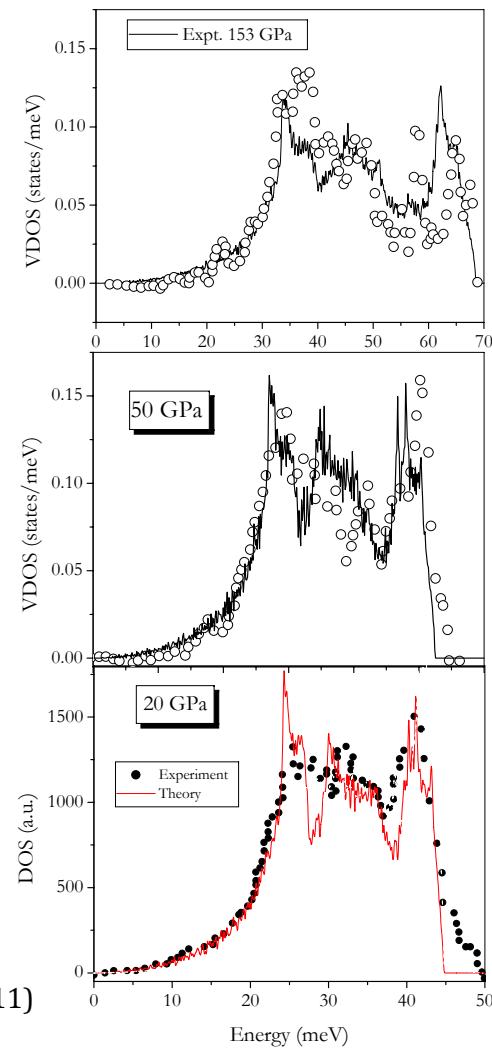
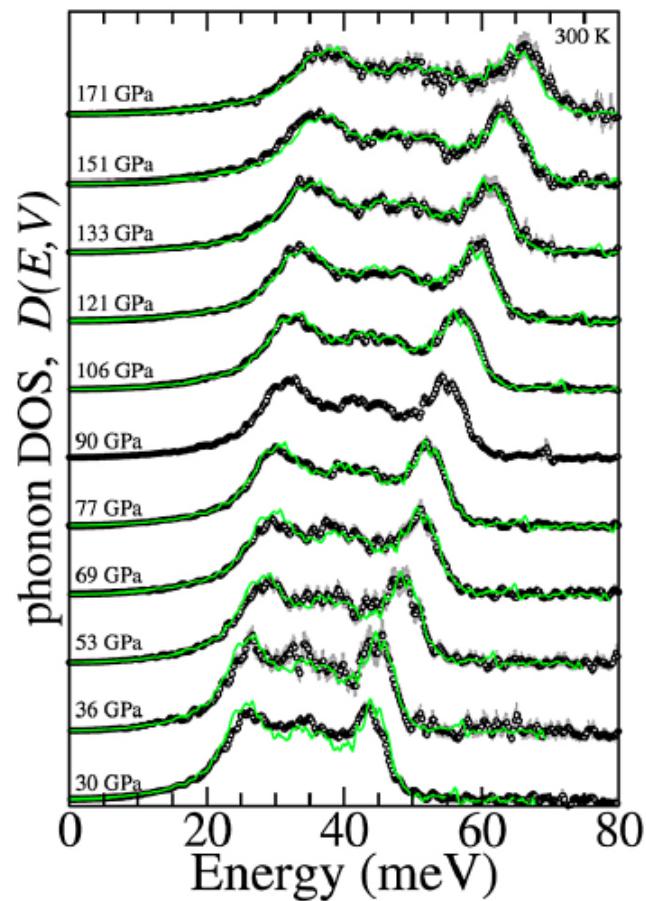
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$$T_M(V) = T_M^{ref} \left(\frac{V}{V_M^{ref}} \right)^{2/3} \exp \left\{ \frac{2\gamma_{vib}^{ref}}{q} \left[1 - \left(\frac{V}{V_M^{ref}} \right)^q \right] \right\}$$

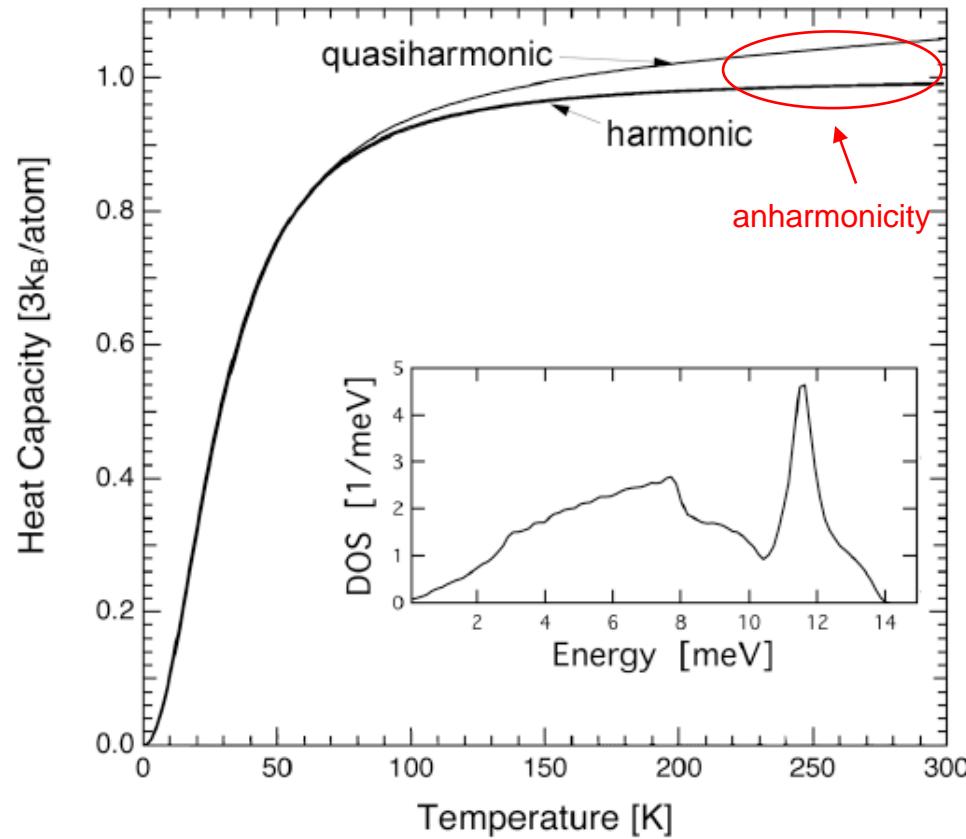
$$v_D = v_{D,0} \left(\frac{V}{V_i} \right)^{1/3} \exp \left\{ - \frac{\gamma_{D,0}}{q} \left[\left(\frac{V}{V_0} \right)^q - 1 \right] \right\}$$

$$T_M(4.70 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol}) = 4100 \pm 100 \text{ K}$$

$$T_M(4.58 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol}) = 4300 \pm 100 \text{ K}$$



Anharhominicity in Phonons

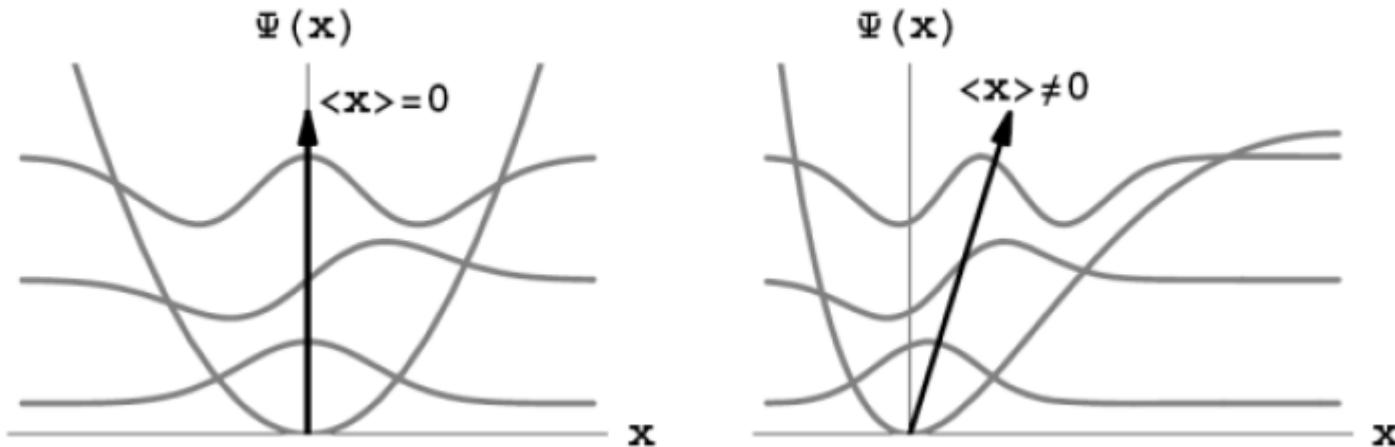


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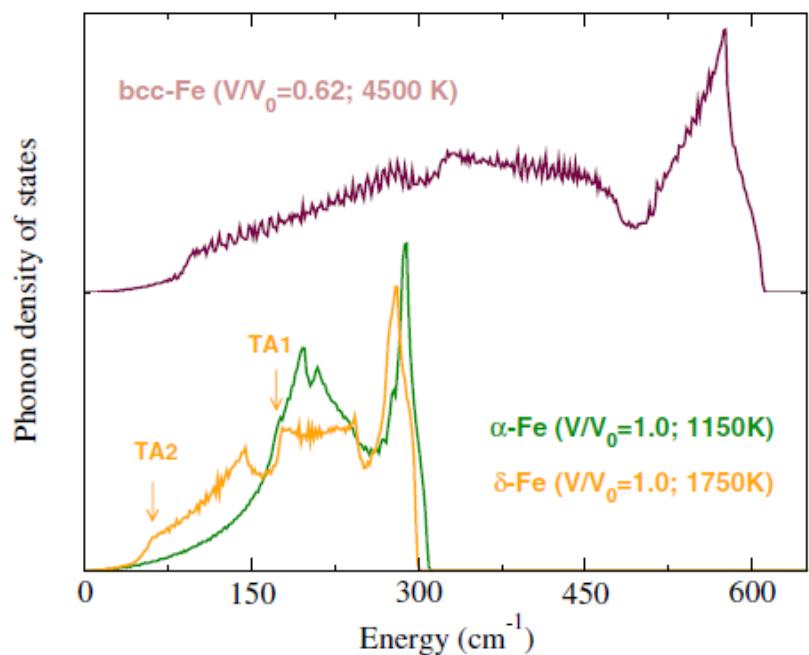
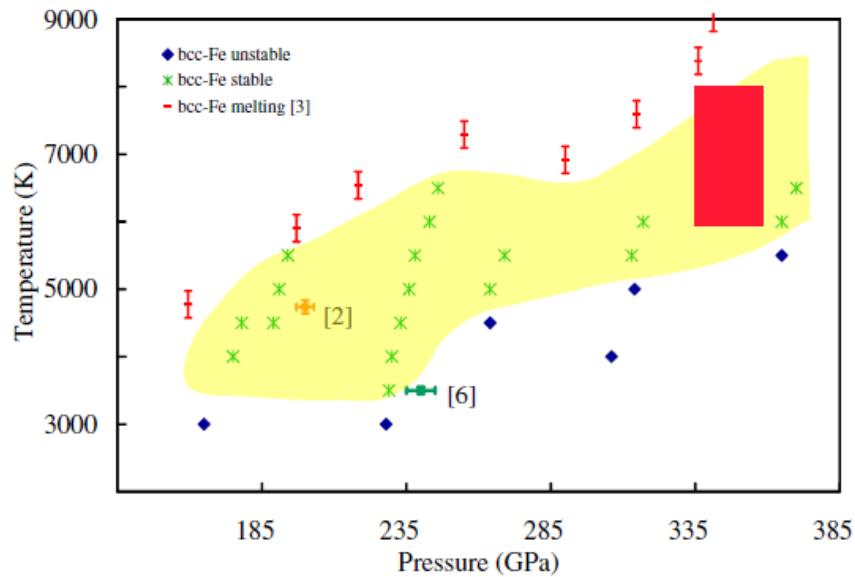
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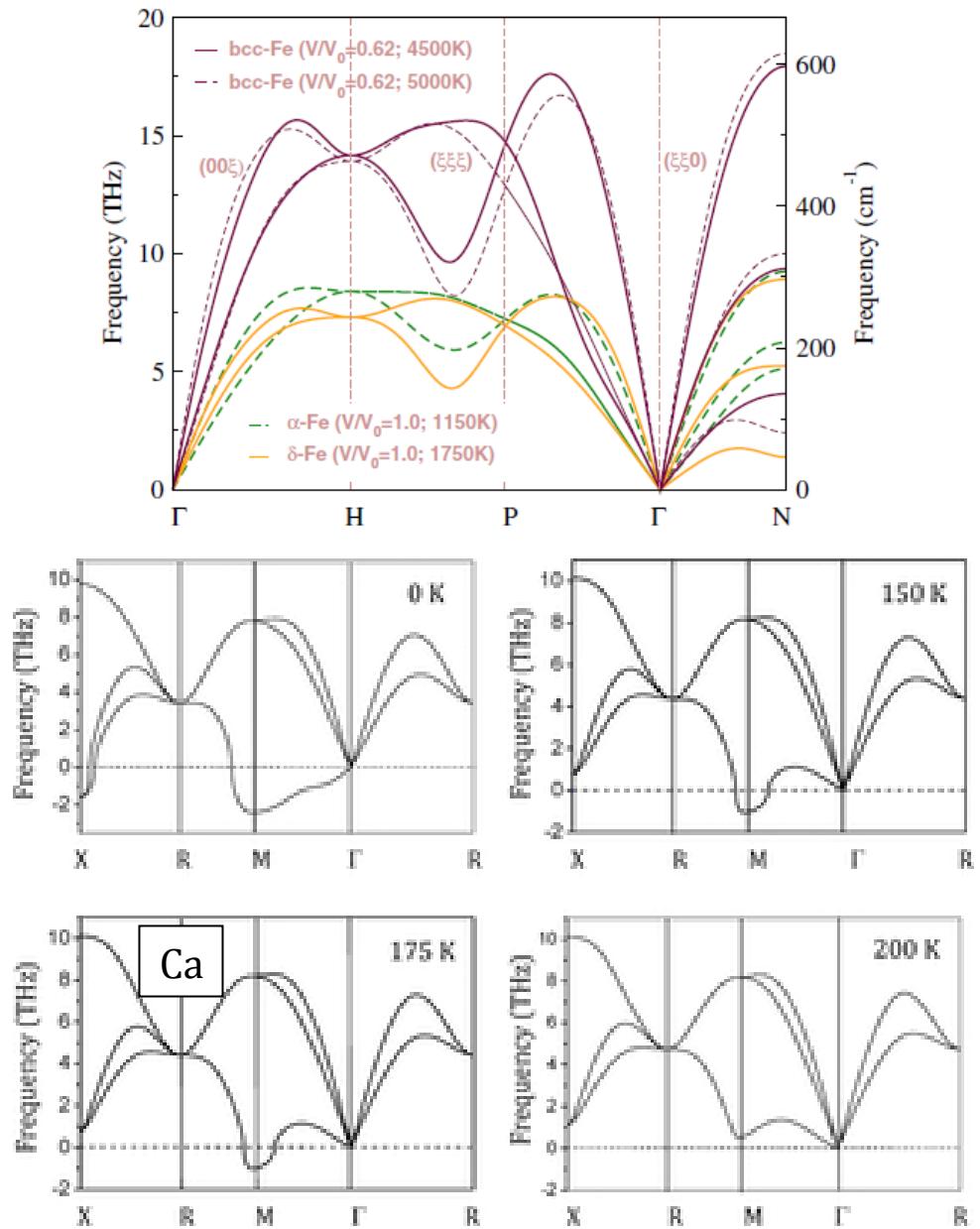
Phonon wavefunctions for (Left) harmonic potential (Right) anharmonic potential

If the lattice potential is harmonic, the phonon frequencies are volume-independent, and the thermal expansion coefficient is zero at all temperatures.

Finite temperature lattice dynamics

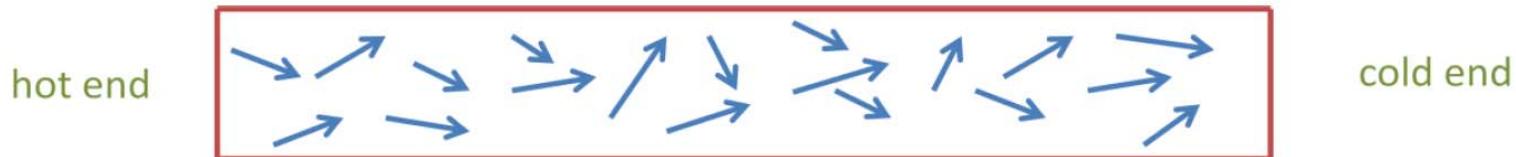


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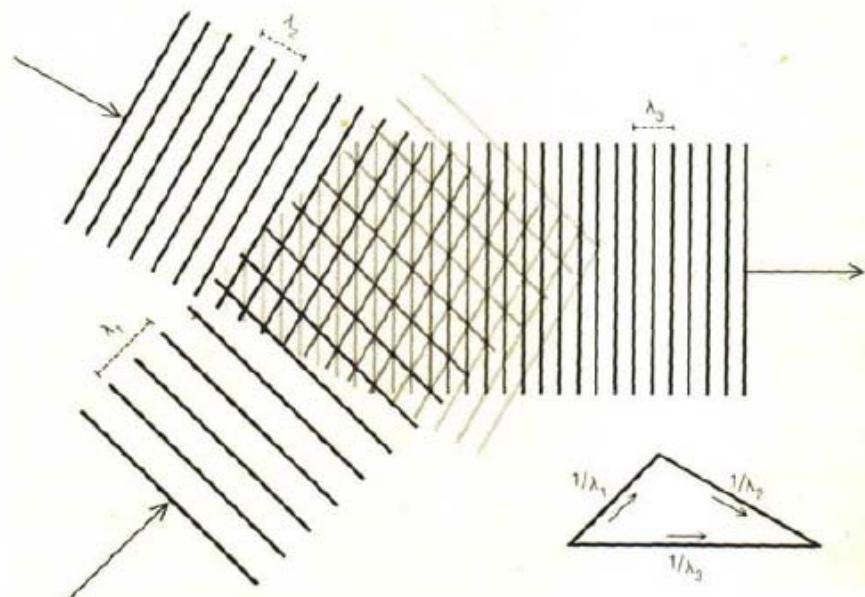


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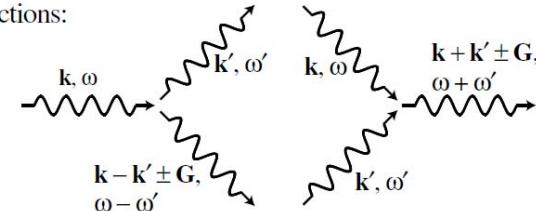
Thermal conductivity



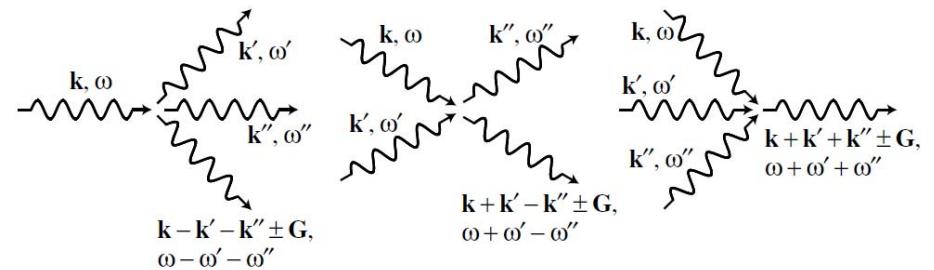
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Cubic interactions:



Quartic interactions:

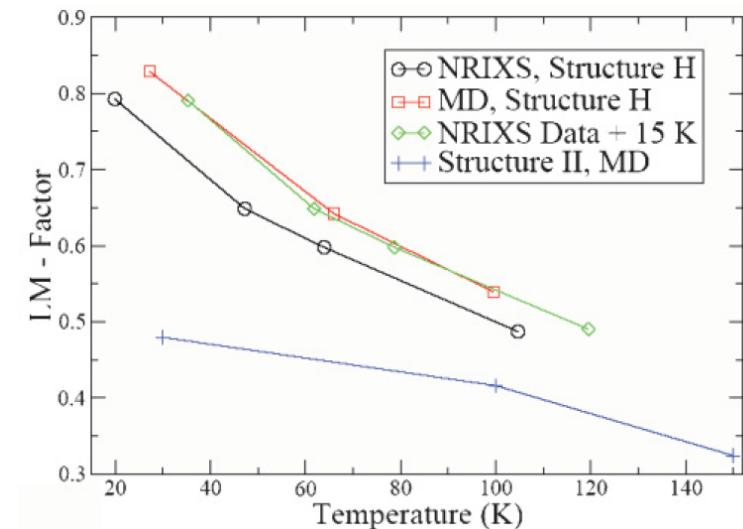
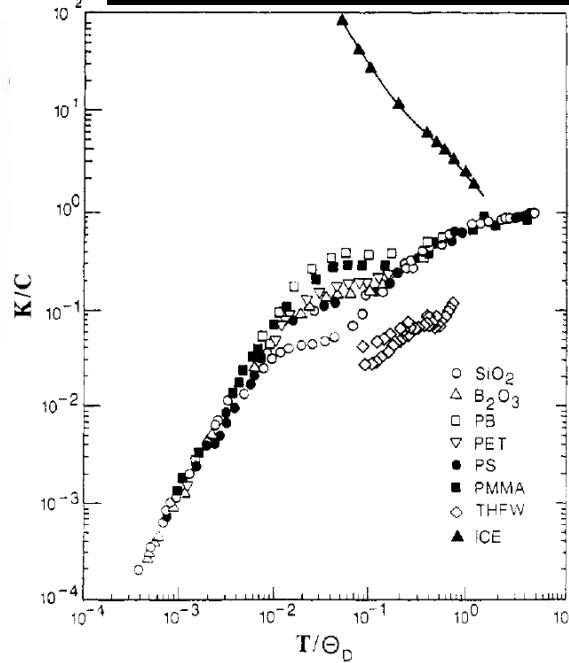
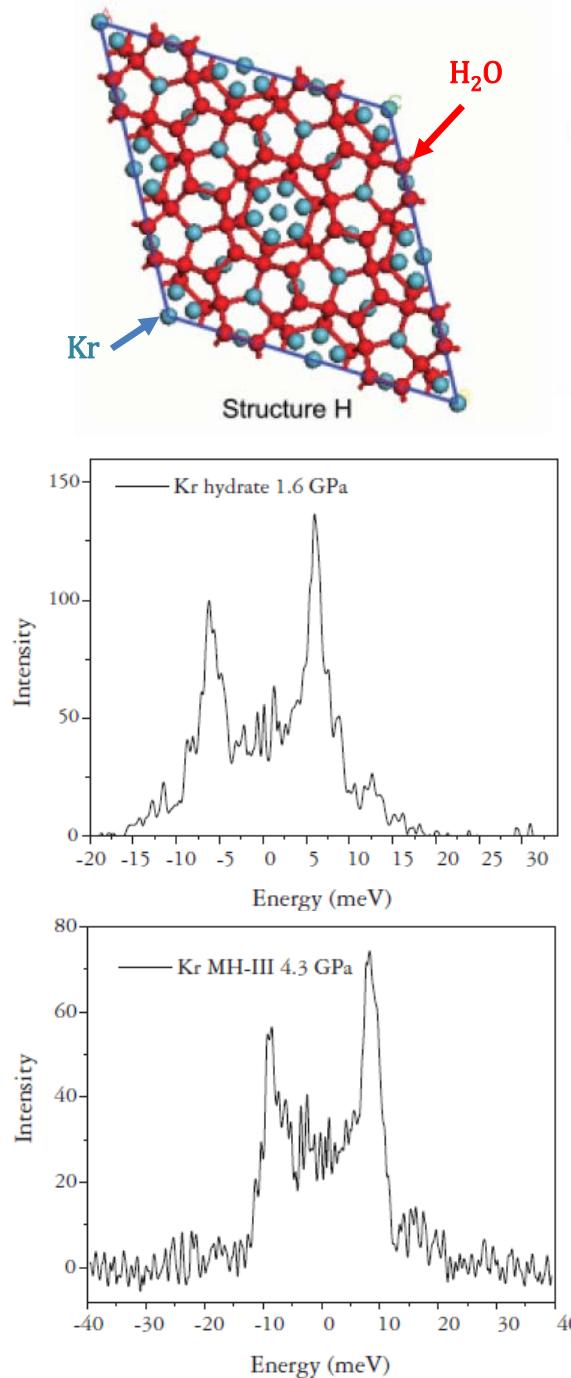


Mossbauer Nuclei

Elements of the periodic table which have known Mössbauer isotopes (shown in red font).

Isotope	E_0 (keV)	τ (ns)	Strength
^{181}Ta	6.214	8730	0.0007
^{169}Tm	8.410	5.8	0.38
^{83}Kr	9.404	212	0.2
^{73}Ge	13.263	4260	0.00003
^{57}Fe	14.4125	141	1
^{151}Eu	21.541	14	0.63
^{149}Sm	22.496	10.2	1.3
^{119}Sn	23.88	25.7	6.7
^{161}Dy	25.651	40.5	1.2
^{40}K	29.83	6.1	391

Anomalous Thermal Conductivity



The Lamb-Mössbauer factor

$$f_{LM} = \exp \left[-E_R \int \frac{g(E)}{E} \coth \frac{\beta E}{2} dE \right]$$

$$= \langle e^{i\mathbf{k}_f \cdot \mathbf{r}} \rangle \langle e^{-i\mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}} \rangle \approx e^{-\frac{1}{2} [\langle (\mathbf{k}_f \cdot \mathbf{r})^2 \rangle + \langle (-\mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r})^2 \rangle]}$$

The Debye-Waller factor is

$$e^{-2M} = \langle e^{i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \rangle^2 \approx e^{-\langle (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r})^2 \rangle}$$

$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{k}_f - \mathbf{k}_i$ is the momentum transfer.

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