

SPECIFIC HEAT

$$C_V = \left(\frac{\Delta U}{\Delta T} \right)_V \rightarrow \Delta T = \frac{\Delta U}{C_V}$$

↑ specific heat coefficient

T = temperature

U = Energy of system

$$C_V = C_{\text{LATTICE}} + C_{\text{ELECTRONIC}} + \dots$$

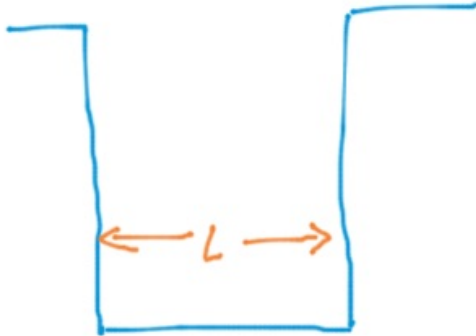
LAST
TIME

TODAY

Created with Doceri



FREE ELECTRON GAS: N-electrons in a box



Schrödinger Equation

$$\mathcal{H}\psi = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \cdot \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \psi = E\psi$$

↑
↑
↑
 Hamiltonian wavefunction Eigen Energy

$$\psi(x) \propto e^{ikx} \quad \& \quad E = \frac{(\hbar k)^2}{2m}$$

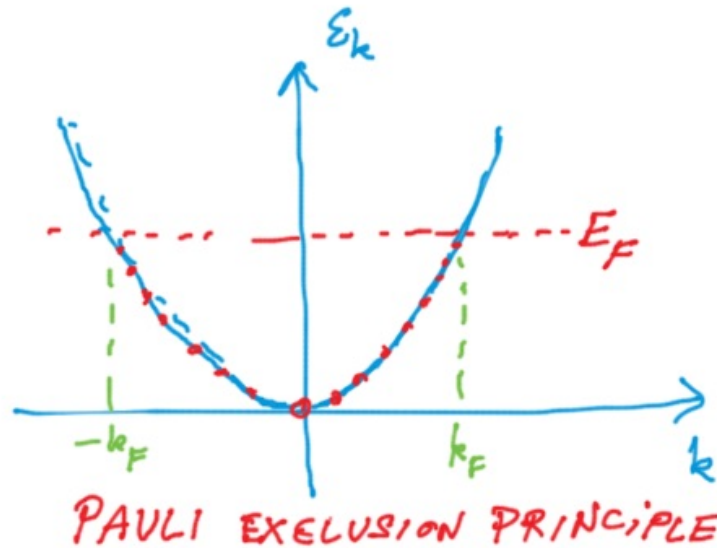
PERIODIC BOUNDARY CONDITION

$$k = 0; \pm \frac{2\pi}{L}; \pm \frac{4\pi}{L}; \dots$$

Created with Doceri



DISPERSION RELATION:



FERMI ENERGY E_F

FERMI MOMENTUM k_F

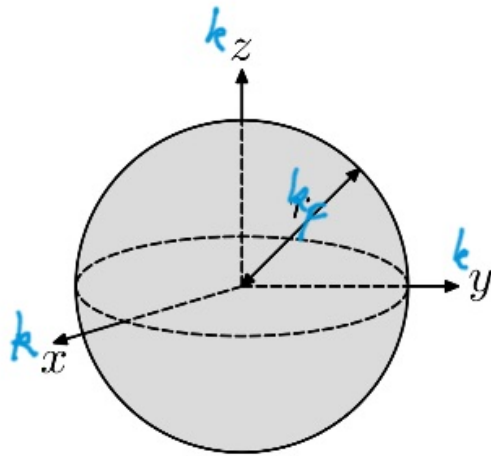
FERMI TEMPERATURE T_F

$$E_F = \frac{(\hbar k_F)^2}{2m} = k_B T_F$$

Created with Doceri



Estimation of FERMI ENERGY



ELECTRON SPIN

$$N = 2 \cdot \frac{4\pi k_F^3}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^3} = \frac{V}{3\pi^2} k_F^3$$

$$\Downarrow k_F = \left(3\pi^2 \frac{N}{V}\right)^{1/3} = (3\pi^2 n)^{1/3}$$

where $n = \frac{N}{V}$ = electron density

$$E_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (3\pi^2 n)^{2/3}$$

BACK-ON-THE-ENVELOPPE ESTIMATION:

Assume 1 electron per unit cell $V_{\text{cell}} = 10^{-30} \text{ m}^3$

$n =$

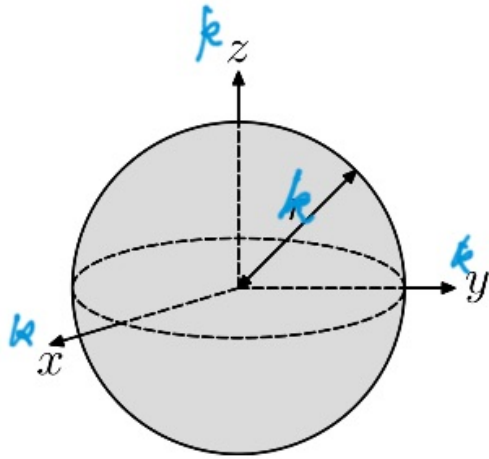
$E_F =$

$T_F =$

Created with Doceri

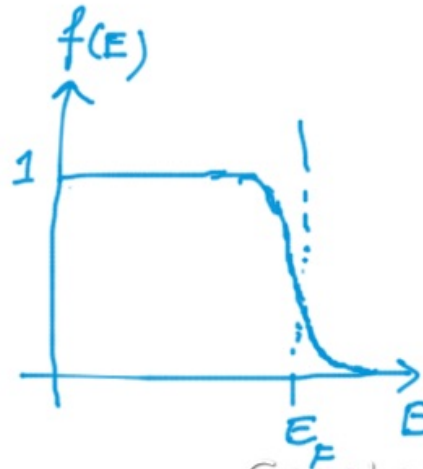
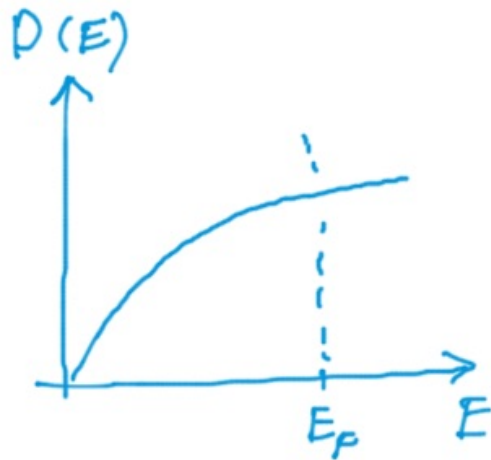


DENSITY-OF-STATES:



$$N = \frac{V}{3\pi^2} k^3 = \frac{V}{3\pi^2} \cdot \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E \right)^{3/2}$$

$$D(E) \equiv \frac{dN}{dE} = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \sqrt{E} \quad (3D)$$



Created with Doceri



ELECTRONIC ENERGY

$$T=0: \quad U(0) = \int_0^{\epsilon_F} f(\epsilon) \epsilon D(\epsilon) d\epsilon = \int_0^{\epsilon_F} \epsilon D(\epsilon) d\epsilon = \downarrow$$

EXERCISE

$$T \neq 0: \quad U(T) = \int_0^{\infty} f(\epsilon, T, \mu(T)) \epsilon D(\epsilon) d\epsilon$$

$$y = \frac{\epsilon}{k_B T} \quad = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar}\right)^{3/2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^{3/2}}{e^{(\epsilon-\mu)/k_B T} + 1} d\epsilon$$

$$y_0 = \frac{\mu}{k_B T}$$

$$\mu \gg k_B T$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$y_0 \rightarrow \infty$$

$$= \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar}\right)^{3/2} (k_B T)^{5/2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y^{3/2}}{e^{y-y_0} + 1} dy$$

$$= \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar}\right)^{3/2} \frac{\mu^{5/2}}{5/2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{5}{8} \left(\frac{\pi k_B T}{\mu}\right)^2 \right\}$$

$$F_j(y_0) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y^j}{e^{y-y_0} + 1} dy \stackrel{y_0 \rightarrow \infty}{\approx} \frac{y_0^{j+1}}{j+1} \left(1 + \frac{\pi^2 j(j+1)}{6 y_0^2} + \dots \right)$$

Created with Doceri



Temperature dependence of chemical potential:

$$N = \int_0^{\infty} f(\epsilon) D(\epsilon) d\epsilon = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon}}{e^{\frac{\epsilon-\mu}{k_B T} + 1}} d\epsilon$$

$$\alpha = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2}$$

$$y = \frac{\epsilon}{k_B T}$$

$$y_0 = \frac{\mu}{k_B T}$$

$$= \alpha (k_B T)^{3/2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{y}}{e^{y-y_0} + 1} dy$$

$$= \alpha (k_B T)^{3/2} \cdot \frac{y_0^{3/2}}{3/2} \left(1 + \frac{\pi^2 \cdot 1/2 \cdot 3/2}{6 y_0^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \alpha \mu^{3/2} \left(1 + \frac{\pi^2}{8} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$\mu(T) = \left(\frac{3}{2} \frac{N}{\alpha} \right)^{2/3} \left(1 + \frac{\pi^2}{8} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right)^{2/3} \approx \epsilon_F \left(1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$F_j(y_0) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y^j}{e^{y-y_0} + 1} dy \approx \frac{y_0^{j+1}}{j+1} \left(1 + \frac{\pi^2 j(j+1)}{6 y_0^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$F_{3/2} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (3\pi^2 n)^{2/3}$$



COMBINE OUR RESULTS

$$\mu(T) = \epsilon_F \left(1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right) \Rightarrow \mu^{5/2}(T) = \epsilon_F^{5/2} \cdot \left\{ 1 - \frac{5\pi^2}{24} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$U(T) = \frac{2}{5} \mu^{5/2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{5}{8} \left(\frac{\pi k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right\} \cdot \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2}$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} \epsilon_F^{5/2} \left\{ 1 - \frac{5\pi^2}{24} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right\} \left\{ 1 + \frac{5}{8} \left(\frac{\pi k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right\} \cdot \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2}$$

$$\approx \frac{2}{5} \epsilon_F^{5/2} \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{5}{12} \left(\frac{\pi k_B T}{\mu} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$\approx \frac{2}{5} \epsilon_F^{5/2} \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{5}{12} \left(\frac{\pi k_B T}{\epsilon_F} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$\epsilon_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (3\pi^2 n)^{2/3}$$

Created with Doceri



CALCULATION OF SPECIFIC HEAT

$$U(T) \approx \frac{2}{5} \epsilon_F^{5/2} \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{3/2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{5}{12} \left(\frac{\pi k_B T}{\epsilon_F}\right)^2 \right\}$$

↓

$$C_V = \frac{dU(T)}{dT} = \frac{V}{6} \epsilon_F^{3/2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{3/2} \cdot \frac{k_B^2 T}{\epsilon_F} = \frac{\pi^2}{3} D(\epsilon_F) \cdot k_B^2 T$$

$$= \frac{V}{2} \frac{(\pi k_B)^2}{\epsilon_F} n \cdot T$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{2} \cdot N \cdot k_B \cdot \frac{T}{T_F}$$

$$\epsilon_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (3\pi^2 n)^{2/3}$$

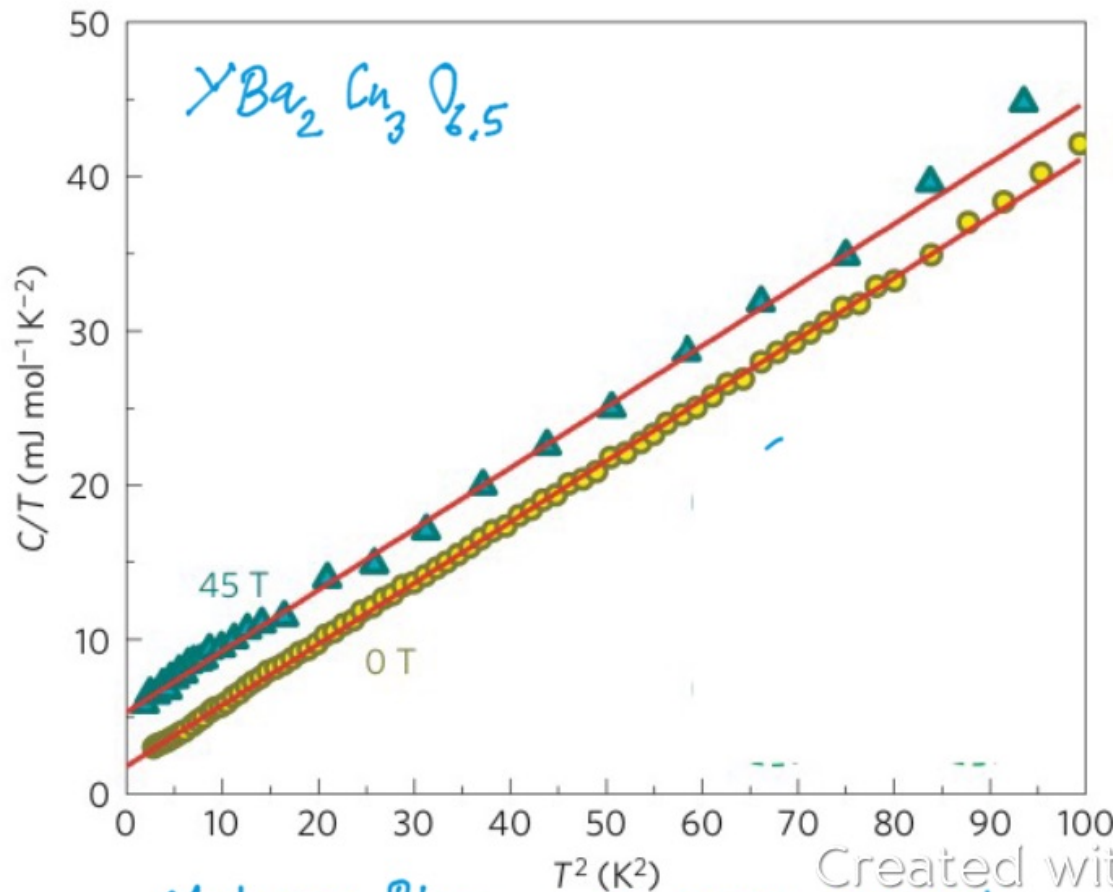
$$\downarrow^{3/2} \epsilon_F = \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\right)^{3/2} \cdot 3\pi^2 n$$

Created with Doceri



REAL DATA:

$$C_V = \gamma \cdot T + \alpha T^3 \Rightarrow \frac{C_V}{T} = \gamma + \alpha T^2$$



Nature Physics 7, 332 (2011)

Created with Doceri

