

1. kinetic theory of gases: molecules are identical solid spheres which move in straight lines until they collide with each other. collision time is very fast, and forces between molecules act only in collisions.
- Drude's idea: treat  $e^-$  in metal in same way

~~Basic assumptions of Drude model:~~

Why might you worry about this idea. The electrons are much closer together than gas molecules. Estimate this number

~~1 mole~~  $6.022 \cdot 10^{23}$  atoms/mole

Copper

density =  $8.9 \text{ g/cm}^3$

1 mole = 63.5 g

$\Rightarrow 0.844 \cdot 10^{23}$  atoms/cm<sup>3</sup>

Valence  $z = 1$

$\Rightarrow 0.844 \cdot 10^{23} e^-/\text{cm}^3$

typical separation is cube root of two (number)<sup>1/3</sup>

$\sim 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$

$\sim 1 \text{ Bohr radius.}$

$0.529 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$

Gas molecules density is  $10^3$  times less i.e. volume occupied is  $1000 \times$  bigger.

### Basic Assumptions

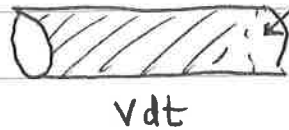
- (1) Between collisions, electrons travel in straight line with constant  $\vec{v}$ , unless external field applied in which case the evolution of  $\vec{v}$  given by Newton's eqn i.e. neglect  $e^-e^-$  interaction &  $e^-ion$  interaction
- (2) except as providing collisions which abruptly alter  $e^-$  velocity, immediately relax it to appropriate temp  $T$ .
- (3)  $e^-$  travel on average time  $\tau$  between collisions

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## Implications of Drude Theory

(1) DC conductivity

$$\vec{j} = -ne\vec{v}$$



$$dq = \frac{\# \text{ el.}}{\text{Volume}} \cdot \text{Volume} \frac{q}{\text{el}} = nAvdt e$$

$$\langle v \rangle = -eE\tau \frac{1}{m}$$

$$j = \frac{1}{A} \frac{dq}{dt} = nev$$

$$j = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m} E$$

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σ

$$= 10^{-8} \text{ ohm}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

From our knowledge of  $n, e, m, \rho \approx 1 \text{ } \mu\text{S-cm}$   
 we get  $\tau \sim 10^{-14} \text{ sec}$   $\sigma = 1/\rho = 10^8$

$$\tau = \frac{m\sigma}{ne^2} \sim \frac{9 \cdot 10^{-31} \cdot 10^8}{10^{29} (1.6 \cdot 10^{-19})^2} \sim 10^{-14}$$

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AC conductivity

$$p(t+dt) = \left(1 - \frac{dt}{\tau}\right) [p(t) + f(t)dt]$$

$$= p(t) - \frac{dt}{\tau} p(t) + f(t)dt$$

$$dp/dt = -p(t)/\tau + f(t)$$

What happens if  $f(t) = 0$ ?

$$f(t) = eE(t) = \text{Re}(eE_0(\omega)e^{-i\omega t})$$

$$p(t) = \text{Re}[p_0(\omega)e^{-i\omega t}]$$

$$-i\omega p(\omega) = -p(\omega)/\tau + -eE(\omega) \Rightarrow p(\omega) = \frac{-eE(\omega)}{1/\tau - i\omega}$$

$$j(\omega) = \frac{-ne}{m} p(\omega) = \frac{+ne^2/m E(\omega)}{1/\tau - i\omega}$$

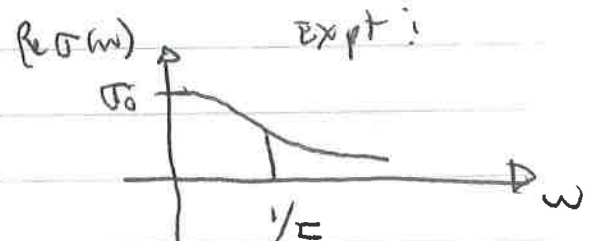
$$j(\omega) = \frac{ne^2\sigma/m E(\omega)}{1 - i\omega\tau}$$

$\omega \rightarrow 0$  limit recovers dc. result.

$$\sigma(\omega) = \sigma_0 / (1 - i\omega\tau)$$

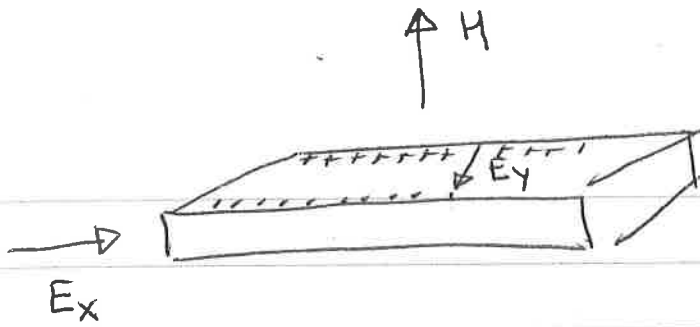
$$\sigma_0 = ne^2\tau/m$$

$$\text{Re } \sigma(\omega) = \sigma_0 / (1 + \omega^2\tau^2)$$



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(3) Hall Effect



$E_x$  leads to current  $j_x$

$\Rightarrow$  ~~for~~  $H$  leads to Lorentz force on  $e^-$  so electrons pile up and yield  $E_y$

~~Hall coefficient~~

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = -\frac{\vec{p}}{\tau} - e(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{p}}{mc} \times \vec{H})$$

steady state  $d\vec{p}/dt = 0$

$$0 = -p_x/\tau - e(E_x \tau - \omega_c p_y)$$

$$0 = -p_y/\tau - e(E_y \tau + \omega_c p_x)$$

Multiply by  $-ne\tau/m$

$$j = -nep/m$$

$$\tau_0 E_x = \omega_c \tau j_y + j_x$$

$$\tau_0 E_y = -\omega_c \tau j_x + j_y$$

$E_y$  is given by requiring  $j_y = 0$

$$\tau_0 E_x = j_x$$

$$\tau_0 E_y = -\omega_c \tau j_x$$

$\leftarrow$  confirms Hall,  $H$  does not enter when  $j_y = 0$  &  $E_x$  and  $j_x$ .

$$\Rightarrow E_y = -\frac{\omega_c \tau}{\tau_0} j_x = -\frac{H}{nec} j_x$$

$$R_{Hf} = -1/nec$$

$$\omega_c = eH/mc$$

cyclotron freq

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = evB$$

$$m\omega^2 r = evB$$

$$\omega = \frac{eB}{m}$$

$R_H$  depends only on  $n$  not  $\tau$ . It Drude correct

metal  $-1/R_H$  rec

Li 0.8

Na 1.2

K 1.1

Rb 1.0

Cs 0.9

Cu 1.5

Ag 1.3

Au 1.5

(4) Dielectric constant of a metal.

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

Assume time dependence  
 $e^{-i\omega t}$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) = -\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} + \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E})$$

$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \frac{i\omega}{c} \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{i\omega}{c} \left( \frac{4\pi}{c} \sigma \mathbf{E} - \frac{i\omega}{c} \mathbf{E} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{4\pi i \sigma}{\omega} \right] \mathbf{E}$$

This is the wave eqn  $-\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon \mathbf{E}$

$$\text{with } \epsilon(\omega) = \frac{1 + 4\pi i \sigma}{\omega}$$

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$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{4\pi i}{\omega} \left[ \frac{\sigma_0}{1 - i\omega\tau} \right]$$

Suppose  $\omega\tau \gg 1$  [  $\omega > 7 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ sec}^{-1}$  ]

visible  $400 - 700 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}$

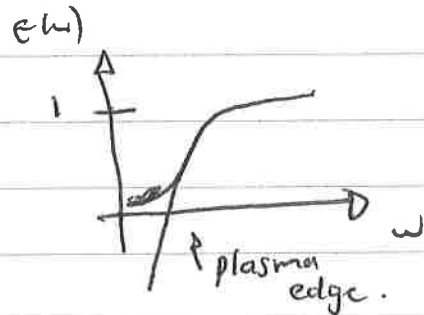
$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{4\pi n_0^2}{\omega^2}$$

$v\lambda = c$   
 $\omega = 2\pi c/\lambda = \frac{6.3 \cdot 10^8}{5 \cdot 10^{-7}} = 4 \cdot 10^{15}$

$$\sigma_0 = ne^2\tau/m$$

$$= 1 - \frac{4\pi ne^2\tau/m}{\omega^2}$$

$$\epsilon(\omega) \approx 1 - \omega_p^2/\omega^2$$



What happens if  $\epsilon(\omega) < 0$  ?

$\omega < \omega_p$  reflects material reflects  $\epsilon(\omega)$  decays exponentially in metal

$\frac{4\pi ne^2}{m}$		Theory $\lambda$ (10 <sup>3</sup> Å)	observed $\lambda$
$\frac{10 \cdot 10^{29} (10^{-18})^2}{10^{-30}}$	Li	1.5	2.0
$\approx 10^{22}$	Na	2.0	2.1
$\sim 10^{11}$	K	2.8	3.1
	Rb	3.1	3.6
	Cs	3.5	4.4

Analogy: reflection of radio waves by ionosphere  
 $\omega_p \sim n$  is much smaller

$m \text{ say}$   
 $\tau \approx 1000$   
 $\omega_p \approx 10^{23}/\tau \approx 10^{17}$

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Maxwell Eqns

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = 4\pi\rho \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho/\epsilon_0 \quad \vec{D} = \vec{E} + 4\pi\vec{P}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \vec{H} = \vec{B} - 4\pi\vec{M}$$

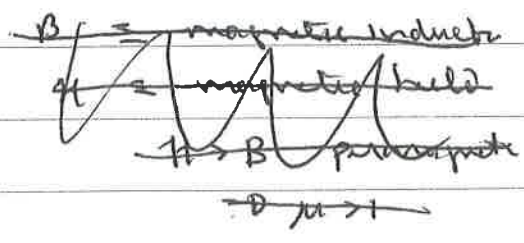
$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad \vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E} \quad \vec{H} = M \vec{B}$$

+ "constitutive relns" between  $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$  to  $\vec{D}, \vec{H}$   
 very complicated in general to relate  $\vec{P}, \vec{M}$  depend on details of material  
 some materials are "linear" and "isotropic"

Why  $\vec{D}$  instead of  $\vec{E}$

Diamagnetic  $\mu - 1 \sim 10^{-4}$   
 Paramagnetic  $1 - \mu \sim 10^{-2}$  to  $10^{-5}$   
 no spins  
 field induces extra current loops opposing original field  
 unpaired electrons  
 free spins  
 $\vec{M}$  aligns with field and  
 Ferrromagnets all have  $\mu > 1$



If we set  $\vec{H} = \vec{B}$

∴ 2 questions

~~what~~  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$  vs  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = 4\pi\rho$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \quad \text{vs} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$$

Why free  $\vec{J}$  but no  $\vec{P}$  ?!

## Better motivation of Drude Model

- 1860-1890 kinetic theory of gases  
 1897 Thomson discovers  $e^-$  - a natural candidate for  
 no particles to carry current  
 1900 Drude begins treatment of  $e^-$  analogous to  
 gas molecules

(0) Error in  $\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = -\frac{e\mathbf{H}}{c} + \mathbf{f} \longrightarrow \text{over}$

- (1) Free motion between scattering <sup>is free</sup> governed by classical eqn of motion  
 $\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$   $\mathbf{F}$  only due to external  $\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{H}$   
 (2) All details of scattering in single number  $\tau$ , the time <sup>period</sup> between collisions and  $\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0$ ;  $\frac{1}{2}m\langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{2}kT$ ; <sup>to which</sup>  
 after collision

~~is~~ No theory for  $\tau$ !

$\therefore$  useful only if  $\tau$  indep quantities available

(1) Hall Effect  $R_H = -\frac{1}{nec}$  only depends on carrier density. Agrees with exp.

$$\frac{E_y}{j_x H}$$

$$j_x = \sigma E_x$$

Hall had observed the fact that  $\tau$  didn't depend on  $\vec{H}$ .



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(2) Second quantity ~~is~~ thermal conductivity

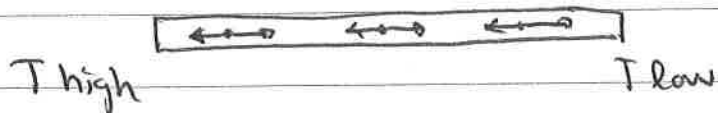
Fourier's law  $\vec{j}^q = k \vec{\nabla} T$

Weidemann-Franz (1853)  $k/\sigma T = \text{constant}$   
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1-d calculation

$$j = n v e \qquad j^q = n v \epsilon$$

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 # particles / volume    velocity of particles    Energy / particle



Just as many move left/right  
 but ones moving right carry more  $\epsilon$  than left  
 $\rightarrow$  Energy gradually transferred to right.

Energy per particle  $\epsilon = \frac{3}{2} kT = \frac{1}{2} m \langle v^2 \rangle$

T is a function of x.

$$j^q = n v \left[ \epsilon(T(x-v\tau)) - \epsilon(T(x+v\tau)) \right]$$

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 electrons moving to right had last collision at  $x-v\tau$     to left had last collision at  $x+v\tau$

why only  $\epsilon(x)$ ? why not  $\vec{v}$ ? ~~Answer: in equilibrium~~

Answer: if  $v$  were really different a net <sup>electric</sup> current would also flow. As in Hall effect a small charge builds up at ends of sample to counter this effect.

$$j^y = n v \frac{d\epsilon}{dT} \frac{dT}{dx} (-2v\tau)$$

$$= \underbrace{nv^2\tau}_{k} \frac{d\epsilon}{dT} \left(-\frac{dT}{dx}\right)$$

In 3-d

$$k = \frac{1}{3} n v^2 \tau \frac{d\epsilon}{dT}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{3}{2} kT$$

$$d\epsilon/dT = \frac{3}{2} k$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} n \left[ \frac{3}{2} kT/m \right] \tau \frac{3}{2} k$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} n (k^2 \tau / m) T$$

$$\sigma = n^2 e^2 \tau / m$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} (k/e)^2 T \sigma$$

$$k/\sigma T = \frac{3}{2} (k/e)^2$$

"Lorentz number"

$$= 1.11 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\text{watt} \cdot \Omega}{\text{K}^2}$$

Wholly accidental agreement. Expressions for  $k, \sigma$  both off by  $\times 100$ .  $\epsilon = \frac{3}{2} kT$  is completely wrong!

Table 1.6  
EXPERIMENTAL THERMAL CONDUCTIVITIES AND LORENZ NUMBERS  
OF SELECTED METALS

ELEMENT	273 K		373 K	
	$\kappa$ (watt/cm-K)	$\kappa/\sigma T$ (watt-ohm/K <sup>2</sup> )	$\kappa$ (watt/cm-K)	$\kappa/\sigma T$ (watt-ohm/K <sup>2</sup> )
Li	0.71	$2.22 \times 10^{-8}$	0.73	$2.43 \times 10^{-8}$
Na	1.38	2.12		
K	1.0	2.23		
Rb	0.6	2.42		
Cu	3.85	2.20	3.82	2.29
Ag	4.18	2.31	4.17	2.38
Au	3.1	2.32	3.1	2.36
Be	2.3	2.36	1.7	2.42
Mg	1.5	2.14	1.5	2.25
Nb	0.52	2.90	0.54	2.78
Fe	0.80	2.61	0.73	2.88
Zn	1.13	2.28	1.1	2.30
Cd	1.0	2.49	1.0	
Al	2.38	2.14	2.30	2.19
In	0.88	2.58	0.80	2.60
Tl	0.5	2.75	0.45	2.75
Sn	0.64	2.48	0.60	2.54
Pb	0.38	2.64	0.35	2.53
Bi	0.09	3.53	0.08	3.35
Sb	0.18	2.57	0.17	2.69

Source: G. W. C. Kaye and T. H. Laby, *Table of Physical and Chemical Constants*, Longmans Green, London, 1966.

As a concrete example let us examine a case where the temperature drop is uniform in the positive  $x$ -direction. In the steady state the thermal current will also flow in the  $x$ -direction and have a magnitude  $j^2 = -\kappa dT/dx$ . To calculate the thermal current we note (assumption 4, page 6) that after each collision an electron emerges with a speed appropriate to the local temperature; the hotter the place of the collision, the more energetic the emerging electron. Consequently, even though the mean electronic velocity at a point may vanish (in contrast to the case when an electric current flows) electrons arriving at the point from the high-temperature side will have higher energies than those arriving from the low-temperature side leading to a net flow of thermal energy toward the low-temperature side (Figure 1.6).

To extract a quantitative estimate of the thermal conductivity from this picture, consider first an oversimplified "one-dimensional" model, in which the electrons can only move along the  $x$ -axis, so that at a point  $x$  half the electrons come from the high-temperature side of  $x$ , and half from the low. If  $\mathcal{E}(T)$  is the thermal energy per electron in a metal in equilibrium at temperature  $T$ , then an electron whose last collision was at  $x'$  will, on the average, have a thermal energy  $\mathcal{E}(T[x'])$ . The electrons arriving at  $x$  from the high-temperature side will, on the average, have had their last collision at

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$$\omega_p \approx 10^3$$

$$\omega_p \approx 10^{17}$$

~~If you are~~

(3) Return to dielectric constant.

$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{4\pi i}{\omega} \sigma$$

$$= 1 + \frac{4\pi i}{\omega} \left( \frac{\rho_0}{1 - i\omega\tau} \right)$$

suppose  $\omega \gg \frac{1}{\tau} \sim 10^{14}$  light frequencies  
 $\sim 10^{15}$   $\sim 4 \cdot 10^{15}$

$$\epsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{4\pi\rho_0/\tau}{\omega^2} = \quad \rho_0 = ne^2\tau/m$$

$$= 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \quad \omega_p \equiv \sqrt{4\pi n e^2 / m} \approx 10^{17} \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

When  $\epsilon(\omega) < 0$  waves reflect (decay exponentially in the medium)

So predict for ~~large small~~  $\omega$  metals  $\omega$

$\omega \lesssim \omega_p$  metals reflect, then become transparent

when  $\omega \gtrsim \omega_p$ .

Indeed metals do become transparent in ultraviolet.

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- (1) Some <sup>simplifying</sup> assumption about collisions <sup>and mean between collisions</sup> (rate of loss)  
+ (2) Some assumption about distribution of velocities.

Summary: ~~I will come back to~~ Drude model has  
some apparent success  $\rightarrow$  Hall is basically correct  
Dielectric constant makes sense; Wiedemann Frank  
law apparently okay

↑  
But really this is very wrong.

$$\epsilon = 3/2 kT$$

$\Rightarrow c = 3/2 k$  per particle. Never observed  
~~must be~~ much smaller

This is a consequence of using Boltzmann distribution

$$P(E) = e^{-\beta E} = e^{-\beta \frac{1}{2} m v^2}$$

and we can easily fix it up.

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta E} + 1}$$