

Chapter 6.

Free electron Fermi gas

free electron(6장)-electron과 lattice ion과의 interaction(7장)

Sodium의 valence electron은 3s state

3s conduction band

2s 2p는 거의 ion인 상태나 metal 상태나 같다.

ion core는 Sodium crystal의 15% volume fraction 차지

Quantum Mechanics가 나오기 전에 벌써 free electron model이 나온다.

매우 성공적 : Ohm's law
electric, thermal conductivity

실패 : heat capacity, magnetic susceptibility
"Maxwell distribution → Fermi-Dirac distribution"
mean free path가 매우 크다.
low temp에서는 10^8 interatomic spacing(=1cm)

Conducting electron에 대해 왜 transparent한가?

- a) Wave가 periodic structure에서 거의 freely propagate한다.
- b) 다른 전자에 의한 scattering이 매우 적다.(Pauli's exclusive principle)
→free electron Fermi gas라 불리운다.

Energy levels in One-dimension

$$H\Psi_n = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \Psi_n = \epsilon_n \Psi_n$$

ϵ_n 의 전자가 orbit에 있다.

이 orbital model은 interaction이 없을 때 성립

$$\Psi_n = A \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_n} x, \quad \frac{1}{2} n \lambda_n = L \quad \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} L = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} n \frac{L}{2}$$

$$L = n \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

이것을 代入

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_n &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_n} \right)^2 & \lambda_n &= \frac{2L}{n} \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi n}{2L} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} \end{aligned}$$

Pauli exclusion principle: 하나의 level에 $\uparrow \downarrow$ 2개 들어갈 수 있다.

$$2n_F = N \text{이 } n_F \text{를 결정한다.}$$

Fermi energy를 결정하자.

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_F &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{n_F \pi}{L} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{N\pi}{2L} \right)^2\end{aligned}$$

Effect of temperature on the Fermi-Dirac Distribution

① Fermi-Dirac

distribution

$$f(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{e^{(\epsilon - \mu)/k_B T} + 1}$$

at $T = 0 : \mu = \epsilon_F$

μ : chemical potential

high energy tail of the distribution

$$\epsilon - \mu \gg k_B T$$

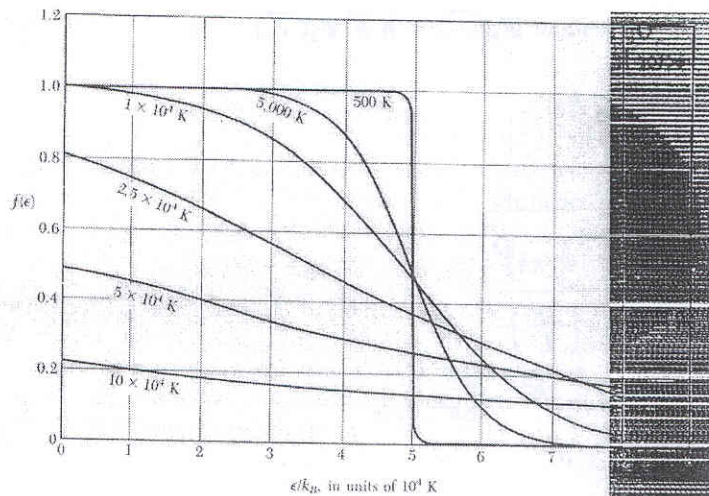


Figure 3 Fermi-Dirac distribution function at various temperatures, for $T_F = \epsilon_F/k_B$. The results apply to a gas in three dimensions. The total number of particles is constant of temperature. The chemical potential at each temperature may be read off the energy at which $f = 0.5$.

$$f(\epsilon) \cong \exp[(\mu - \epsilon)/k_B T]$$

called ② Boltzman or Maxwell distribution

Free electron gas in 3-D

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) \Psi_n(\vec{r}) = \epsilon_k \Psi_k(\vec{r})$$

• Cube L 속에 있다. box normalization

$$\Psi_n(\vec{r}) = A \sin \frac{\pi n_x x}{L} \sin \frac{\pi n_y y}{L} \sin \frac{\pi n_z z}{L}$$

• Periodic boundary condition

$$\Psi(x+L, y, z) = \Psi(x, y, z)$$

$$\Psi_k(\vec{r}) = \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}) = \exp(i(k_x x + k_y y + k_z z))$$

$$k_x L = 2n\pi$$

$$\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) = \epsilon_k, \quad k_x = \frac{2n_x \pi}{L}, \quad k_y = \frac{2n_y \pi}{L}, \quad k_z = \frac{2n_z \pi}{L}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{4\pi^2}{L^2} (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2)$$

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$$k \text{의 component : } \frac{2n\pi}{L}$$

n : positive or negative integer

$$\epsilon = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L} \right)^2 (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2), \quad k = \frac{2n\pi}{L}$$

$$P\Psi_k = -i\hbar \nabla \Psi_k(\vec{r}) = \hbar \vec{k} \Psi_k(\vec{r})$$

$$\epsilon_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} k_F^2$$

total # of orbitals

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

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi k_F^3 \cdot \frac{L^3}{8\pi^3}$$

$$= \frac{V}{3\pi^2} k_F^3$$

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

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

Fermi surface에서의 electron의 velocity

$$v_F = \frac{\hbar k_F}{m} = \frac{\hbar}{m} \left(\frac{3\pi^2 N}{V} \right)^{1/3}$$

Density of state

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

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

$$D(\epsilon) \equiv \frac{dN}{d\epsilon} = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m\epsilon}{\hbar^2} \right)^{1/2} \cdot \frac{2m}{\hbar^2}$$

$$= \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \cdot \epsilon^{1/2}$$

$$= \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{3\pi^2 N}{V} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$= \frac{Vm}{\pi^2 \hbar^2} \left(\frac{3\pi^2 N}{V} \right) \propto m$$

$$\log N = \frac{3}{2} \log \epsilon + \text{const}$$

$$\frac{dN}{N} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{d\epsilon}{\epsilon} \quad \therefore D(\epsilon) \equiv \frac{dN}{d\epsilon} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{N}{\epsilon}$$

Heat capacity of the electron gas
 Conduction electron의 heat capacity

Classical statistics : $\frac{3}{2} k_B$

N개의 atom이 하나씩 전자를 내면 : $\frac{3}{2} Nk_B$

electronic contribution : 0.01 정도 밖에 안된다.
 왜 잘 움직이는데 heat capacity가 이렇게 작나?

Pauli에 의해 발견이 된다.

$$C_V \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow 0$$

단지 $\frac{T}{T_F}$ 정도의 전자만이 excite한다.

$$u \sim N \cdot \frac{T}{T_F} k_B T$$

$$C_{el} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial T} \sim Nk_B \left(\frac{T}{T_F} \right)$$

$$T_F \sim 5 \times 10^4 \text{ K}$$

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$$\Delta u = \int_0^\infty d\epsilon \epsilon D(\epsilon) f(\epsilon) - \int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \epsilon D(\epsilon)$$

$$N = \int_0^\infty d\epsilon D(\epsilon) f(\epsilon) = \int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon D(\epsilon)$$

여기에 ϵ_F 를 곱하자. 그런데

$$\int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \cdot \epsilon_F D(\epsilon) f(\epsilon) + \int_{\epsilon_F}^\infty d\epsilon \cdot \epsilon_F D(\epsilon) f(\epsilon) = \int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \cdot D(\epsilon) \epsilon_F$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\epsilon_F} D(\epsilon) \cdot \epsilon_F (f(\epsilon) - 1) = - \int_{\epsilon_F}^\infty \epsilon_F D(\epsilon) f(\epsilon) d\epsilon$$

이므로,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta U &= \int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \epsilon \cdot D(\epsilon) (f(\epsilon) - 1) - \int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \epsilon_F \cdot D(\epsilon) (f(\epsilon) - 1) \\ &\quad + \int_{\epsilon_F}^\infty d\epsilon \epsilon \cdot D(\epsilon) f(\epsilon) - \int_{\epsilon_F}^\infty d\epsilon \epsilon_F \cdot D(\epsilon) f(\epsilon) \\ &= \int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon (\epsilon_F - \epsilon) (1 - f(\epsilon)) D(\epsilon) + \int_{\epsilon_F}^\infty d\epsilon D(\epsilon) f(\epsilon) (\epsilon - \epsilon_F) \end{aligned}$$

$$C_{el} = \frac{du}{dT}$$

$$= \int_0^\infty d\epsilon (\epsilon - \epsilon_F) \frac{df}{dT} D(\epsilon)$$

metal에서 관심있는 영역은 $\frac{k_B T}{E_F} < 0.01$ 인 지역이다.

$$\cong D(\epsilon_F) \int_0^\infty d\epsilon (\epsilon - \epsilon_F) \frac{df}{dT}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{e^{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F)/kT} + 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{df}{dT} &= \{\dots\}^{-2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F}{k} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{T^2}\right) \cdot e^{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F)/kT} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F}{kT^2} \frac{e^{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F)/kT}}{\{e^{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F)/kT} + 1\}^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$C_{el} = D(\varepsilon_F) \int_0^\infty d\varepsilon \cdot (\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F) \cdot \frac{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F}{kT^2} \frac{e^{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F)/kT}}{\{1 + e^{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F)/kT}\}^2}$$

$$x = \frac{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F}{kT} \text{ 로 놓으면}$$

$$= D(\varepsilon_F) \int_0^\infty kT dx \cdot x kT \cdot \frac{x kT}{kT^2} \frac{e^x}{(1 + e^x)^2}$$

$$= D(\varepsilon_F) \int_{-\frac{\varepsilon_F}{kT}}^\infty k^2 T \cdot \frac{e^x x^2}{(1 + e^x)^2} dx$$

$$= k_B^2 T D(\varepsilon_F) \int_{-\frac{\varepsilon_F}{kT}}^\infty dx x^2 \cdot \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$$

low temp limit

$$= k_B^2 T D(\varepsilon_F) \int_{-\infty}^\infty x^2 \cdot \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} dx$$

$$= k_B^2 T \cdot D(\varepsilon_F) \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 D(\varepsilon_F) k_B^2 T$$

$$D(\varepsilon_F) = \frac{3N}{2\varepsilon_F} = \frac{3N}{2k_B T_F}$$

$$k_B T_F = \varepsilon_F \text{ 이므로}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 \cdot \frac{3N}{2k_B T_F} \cdot k_B^2 T = \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 N k_B \frac{T}{T_F}$$

Experimental Heat capacity of Metals

$$C = \gamma T + AT^3$$

$$\frac{C}{T} = \gamma + AT^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 D(\epsilon_F) k_B^2 \\ &= \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \cdot \epsilon_F^{1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 k_B^2 \\ &= \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \cdot \left[\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{3\pi^2 N}{V} \right)^{2/3} \right]^{1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 k_B^2 \\ &= \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \cdot \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{3\pi^2 N}{V} \right)^{1/3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 k_B^2 \\ \therefore \gamma &\propto m \end{aligned}$$

실험값과 이론값이 다르다.

$$\frac{m_{th}}{m} = \frac{\gamma(\text{observed})}{\gamma(\text{free})}$$

왜 m이 다른가?

1. interaction of the conduction electrons with the periodic potential of the rigid crystal lattice

m_{th} : band effective mass

2. phonon과 interaction

drag \therefore mass가 주로 증가한다.

3. electron끼리의 interaction

mass가 증가한다.

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Heavy Fermion

two or three order of magnitude higher mass

예) UBe_{12} , $CeAl_3$, $CeCu_2Si_2$

f electron이 1000m \therefore f electron이 localized되어 있기 때문에

Electrical conductivity and Ohm's law

$$\vec{F} = m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \hbar \frac{d\vec{k}}{dt} = -e \left(\vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

만약 collision이 없으면 Fermi sphere는 uniform rate로 움직인다.

$$\vec{B} = 0 \text{ 이면 } \vec{k}(t) = \vec{k}(0) - eEt$$

$$\delta \vec{k} = -eEt / \hbar$$

만약 collision time이 τ 이면

$$v = -eE\tau/m$$

$$j = nqv = ne^2\tau E/m$$

Electrical conductivity σ 는 $\vec{j} = \sigma\vec{E}$ 를 만족하므로

$$\therefore \sigma = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m} = ne \left(\frac{-e}{m} \right) \tau$$

개수, acceleration, time

$$\rho = \frac{m}{ne^2\tau} = \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

σ : low temp (4K)에서는 room temp보다 10^5 정도 더 크다

$$l = v_F \cdot \tau \quad v_F : \text{Fermi surface의 속도}$$

$$1.57 \times 10^8 \text{ cm/sec}$$

mean free path

$$l(4K) \approx 0.3 \text{ cm}$$

$$l(300K) \approx 3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}$$

어떤 metal $l(4K) \sim 10 \text{ cm}$

Experimental Electrical Resistivity of Metals

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_L} + \frac{1}{\tau_i}$$

τ_L : collision time for scattering by phonons

τ_i : imperfections

net resistivity

$$\rho = \rho_L + \rho_i$$

ρ_i : resistivity caused by scattering of electron waves by static defect

Matthiessen's rule

ρ_L : defect의 수와는 무관하다.

$\rho_i(0)$: 0K에서 잔다.

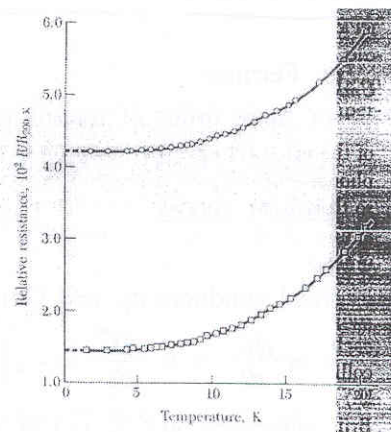


Figure 12 Resistance of potassium below 20 K, as measured on two specimens by D. MacDonald and K. Mendelsohn. The different intercepts at 0 K are attributed to different concentrations of impurities and static imperfections in the two specimens.

$$\therefore \rho_L \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow 0$$

$$\rho_L(T) = \rho - \rho_i(0)$$

대개 ρ_i 는 impurity의 atomic percent에 대해 $1 \mu\text{ohm} \cdot \text{cm}$ 정도는다.

$$\text{Cu} : 1.7 \times 10^{-3} \mu\text{ohm} \cdot \text{cm}$$

impurity concentration이 20ppm

Collision rate with phonon \propto thermal phonon의 수

$$\rho \propto T \text{ for } T > \theta$$

Umklapp Scattering

Umklapp Scattering of electron by phonon

low temp에서 electrical resistivity의 원인

normal electron-phonon scattering보다 Umklapp이 더 크게 기여

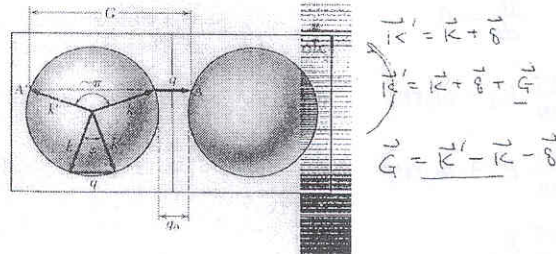


Figure 13 Two Fermi spheres in adjacent zones: a construction to show the role of phonon umklapp processes in electrical resistivity.

Scattering angle이 π 근처이다.

Single collision은 electron을 ground orbital로 보낸다.

Umklapped가 일어날 확률은 $e^{-\theta_u/T}$

$$e^{-\theta_u/T}$$

θ_u : characteristic temperature calculable from the geometry of the Fermi surface inside the B.Z

Umklapped scattering 일으킬 minimum phonon vector q_0

BCC. sphere일 때 $q_0 = 0.267 k_F$

potassium $\theta = 91 \text{ K}$
 $\theta_u = 23 \text{ K}$

낮은 온도에서는 Umklapp process 는 무시할 수 있다.

따라서 scattering은 small angle에서

normal scattering

$$\rho_L \propto T^5 / \theta^6 \text{ Bloch의 결과}$$

Motion in magnetic fields

$$\hbar \left(\frac{d}{dt} + \frac{1}{\tau} \right) \delta \vec{k} = \vec{F}$$

$$\vec{F} = -e \left(\vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

만약 $m\vec{v} = \hbar \vec{k}$ 이면

eq. of motion $m \left(\frac{d}{dt} + \frac{1}{\tau} \right) \vec{v} = -e \left(\vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right)$

static magnetic field $\vec{B} = B \hat{z}$ $\therefore m \left(\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} + \frac{1}{\tau} \vec{v} \right) = -e \left(\vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{v} \times B \hat{z} \right)$

$$m \left(\frac{d}{dt} + \frac{1}{\tau} \right) v_x = -e \left(E_x + \frac{B}{c} v_y \right) \quad \curvearrowright \text{회전 term}$$

$$m \left(\frac{d}{dt} + \frac{1}{\tau} \right) v_y = -e \left(E_y - \frac{B}{c} v_x \right) \quad \curvearrowleft \text{회전 term}$$

$$m \left(\frac{d}{dt} + \frac{1}{\tau} \right) v_z = -e E_z$$

steady state : $\frac{d}{dt} = 0$

$$\therefore v_x = -\frac{e\tau}{m} E_x - \omega_c \tau v_y$$

$$v_y = -\frac{e\tau}{m} E_y + \omega_c \tau v_x$$

$$v_z = -\frac{e\tau}{m} E_z$$

$$\omega_c \equiv \frac{eB}{mc} \quad (\text{cyclotron freq})$$

Hall effect

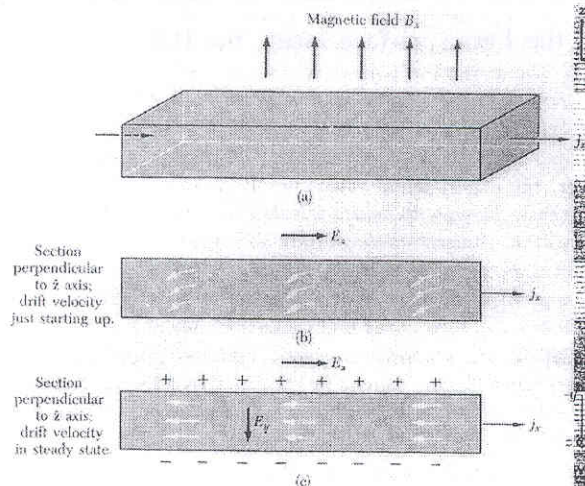


Figure 14 The standard geometry for the Hall effect: a rod-shaped specimen of rectangular cross-section.

y방향의 속도는 zero

$$v_x = -\frac{e\tau}{m} E_x$$

$$0 = -\frac{e\tau}{m} E_y + \omega_c \tau v_x$$

$$\therefore E_y = \frac{m\omega_c \tau}{e\tau} v_x = \frac{m\omega_c}{e} v_x$$

$$= \frac{m\omega_c}{e} \cdot \left(-\frac{e\tau}{m}\right) E_x$$

$$= -\omega_c \tau E_x$$

$$= -\frac{\tau e B}{mc} E_x$$

$j_x = nev_x$ 이고

$$R_H \equiv \frac{E_y}{j_x B} = -\frac{\tau e B}{mc} \frac{E_x}{j_x B} = -\frac{\tau e}{mc} \cdot \frac{m}{ne^2 \tau E_x}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{nec}$$

$$R_H = -\frac{1}{nec}$$

$$\text{Hall resistance } \rho_H = BR_H = E_y / j_x$$

위에서 모든 relaxation time이 같다고 가정하였다.

만약 relaxation time이 속도의 함수이면 매우 복잡하다.

Conductivity에 hole이 관여하면 더욱 복잡

+, - 두 가지가 다 존재

free electron model로 설명 못함

free electron Fermi gas → Band theory 필요

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Thermal conductivity of Metals

Thermal conductivity

$$\begin{aligned}
K &= \frac{1}{3} C v l && C : \text{heat capacity} \\
&= \frac{1}{3} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 N k_B T \cdot \left(\frac{E_F}{k_B} \right)^{-1} \cdot v_F \cdot l \right\} && C_{el} = \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 N k_B T / T_F \\
&= \frac{\pi^2 \cdot N k_B T \cdot k_B \cdot v_F \cdot l}{6 \cdot \frac{1}{2} m v_F^2} && l = v_F \tau \\
&= \frac{\pi^2 \cdot N k_B T \cdot k_B \cdot v_F \cdot v_F \tau}{3 m v_F^2} \\
&= \frac{N k_B^2 \pi^2 T \tau}{3 m}
\end{aligned}$$

impurity가 많이 생겨나면 mean free path가 줄어든다.

phonon에 의한 contribution이 electron에 의한 contribution과 비슷

Ration of thermal to Electric conductivity

$\frac{K}{\sigma}$: metal의 종류에 관계없이 일정

Wiedmann-Frantz law

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{K}{\sigma} &= \frac{\frac{\pi^2 n k_B^2 T \tau}{3 m}}{\frac{n e^2 \tau}{m}} \\
&= \frac{\pi^2}{3} \left(\frac{k_B}{e} \right)^2 T
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Lorentz number} &\equiv \frac{K}{\sigma T} = \frac{\pi^2}{3} \left(\frac{k_B}{e} \right)^2 \\
&= 2.72 \times 10^{-12} \text{ esu/deg}^2
\end{aligned}$$

n, m, τ 가 관여 안함

실험치와 매우 일치 /but [K와 σ 가 각각 실험치와 어긋난다.]

Low temp로 내려가면 Lorentz number가 준다.

Cu(15K)에서는 order 하나는 준다.

이유 : thermal과 electric conductivity에 관여하는 collision average의 차이 때문