

Phonon dispersion relation of a bcc lattice:

Equation of motion in x -direction is:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 u_{lmn}^x}{dt^2} = & \frac{C}{\sqrt{3} m} [(u_{l+1m+1n+1}^x - u_{lmn}^x) + (u_{l-1m+1n+1}^x - u_{lmn}^x) + (u_{l-1m-1n+1}^x - u_{lmn}^x) + \\ & + (u_{l+1m-1n+1}^x - u_{lmn}^x) + (u_{l+1m+1n-1}^x - u_{lmn}^x) + (u_{l-1m+1n-1}^x - u_{lmn}^x) + (u_{l-1m-1n-1}^x - u_{lmn}^x) + \\ & + (u_{l+1m-1n-1}^x - u_{lmn}^x) + (u_{l+1m+1n+1}^y - u_{lmn}^y) - (u_{l-1m+1n+1}^y - u_{lmn}^y) - (u_{l-1m-1n+1}^y - u_{lmn}^y) + \\ & + (u_{l+1m-1n+1}^y - u_{lmn}^y) - (u_{l+1m+1n-1}^y - u_{lmn}^y) + (u_{l-1m+1n-1}^y - u_{lmn}^y) - (u_{l-1m-1n-1}^y - u_{lmn}^y) + \\ & + (u_{l+1m-1n-1}^y - u_{lmn}^y) + (u_{l+1m+1n+1}^z - u_{lmn}^z) - (u_{l-1m+1n+1}^z - u_{lmn}^z) - (u_{l-1m-1n+1}^z - u_{lmn}^z) + \\ & + (u_{l+1m-1n+1}^z - u_{lmn}^z) - (u_{l+1m+1n-1}^z - u_{lmn}^z) + (u_{l-1m+1n-1}^z - u_{lmn}^z) + (u_{l-1m-1n-1}^z - u_{lmn}^z) - \\ & - (u_{l+1m-1n-1}^z - u_{lmn}^z)] \end{aligned}$$

For u_{lmn}^x

$$u_{lmn}^x = u_{\vec{k}}^x e^{i(\sum_{i=1}^3 \vec{a}_i \cdot \vec{k} - \omega t)}$$

was used.

Primitive vectors for bcc are:

$$A = \frac{a}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We obtain:

$$u_{lmn}^x = u_{\vec{k}}^x e^{i(l \vec{k} \cdot \vec{a}_1 + m \vec{k} \cdot \vec{a}_2 + n \vec{k} \cdot \vec{a}_3)} = u_{\vec{k}}^x e^{i\left(\frac{(-l+m+n)k_x a}{2} + \frac{(l-m+n)k_y a}{2} + \frac{(l+m-n)k_z a}{2}\right)}$$

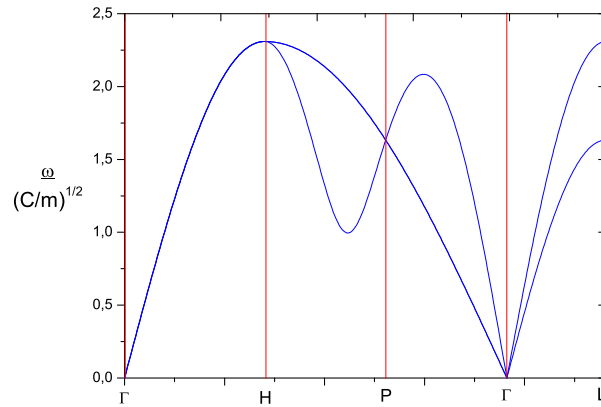


Figure 1: Phonon dispersion of a bcc lattice. Plot is over the symmetry lines as follows: gamma - H - P - gamma - N

On the next page solutions of the equation of motion are summed up in a array.

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 & 4 - \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(k_x + k_y + k_z)\right) - \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(3k_x - k_y - k_z)\right) - \frac{m\omega^2}{\sqrt{3C}} \\
 & - \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(-k_x + 3k_y - k_z)\right) - \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(-k_x - k_y + 3k_z)\right) - \frac{m\omega^2}{\sqrt{3C}} \\
 & - \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(k_x + k_y + k_z)\right) + \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(3k_x - k_y - k_z)\right) \\
 & + \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(-k_x + 3k_y - k_z)\right) - \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(-k_x - k_y + 3k_z)\right) - \frac{m\omega^2}{\sqrt{3C}} \\
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 & -\cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(k_x + k_y + k_z)\right) - \cos\left(\frac{a}{2}(3k_x - k_y - k_z)\right) \\
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