

### **Experimental Hall Results on Metals**

- Valence=1 metals look like free-electron Drude metals
- Valence=2 and 3, magnitude and sign suggest problems

Metal	Valence	-1/R <sub>H</sub> nec	
Li	1	0.8	
Na	1	1.2	
K	1	1.1	
Rb	1	1.0	
Cs	1	0.9	
Cu	1	1.5	
Ag	1	1.3	
Au	1	1.5	
Be	2	0.2	
Mg	2	-0.4	
In	3	-0.3	
Al	3	0.3	

Hall coefficients of selected elements in moderate to high fields\*

\* These are roughly the limiting values assumed by  $R_n$  as the field becomes very large (of order 10<sup>4</sup> G), and the temperature very low, in carefully prepared specimens. The data are quoted in the form  $n_0$ :n. Where  $n_0$  is the density for which the Drude form (1.21) agrees with the measured  $R_u$ : $n_0 = -1/R_H$ ec. Evidently the alkali metals obey the Drude result reasonably well, the noble metals (Cu. Ag, Au) less well, and the remaining entries, not at all.

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## Response of free e- to AC Electric Fields

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• Microscopic picture

$$E_Z = E_O e^{-i\omega t}$$

B=0 in conductor,

and  $\vec{F}(\vec{E}) >> \vec{F}(\vec{B})$ 

$$\frac{dp(t)}{dt} = -\frac{p(t)}{\tau} - eE_0 e^{-i\omega t}$$

try 
$$p(t) = p_0 e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$-i\omega p_0 = -\frac{p_0}{\tau} - eE_0$$

$$p_0 = \frac{-eE_0}{\frac{1}{\tau} - i\omega}$$

ω >> 1/τ, p out of phase with E  $p_0 = \frac{eE_0}{iω}$  ω → ∞, p → 0 ω << 1/τ, p in phase with E  $p_0 = -eE_0τ$ 

# What if $\omega \tau >> 1?$

<u>When will J =  $\sigma E$  break down</u>? It depends on electrons undergoing many collisions, on the average a collision time  $\tau$  apart. As long as there are <u>many</u> collisions per cycle of the AC field ( $\omega \tau <<1$ ), the AC  $\sigma$  will be  $\approx$  the DC  $\sigma$ .



Now there will be <u>many cycles</u> of the field between collisions. In this limit, the electrons will behave more like electrons in vacuum, and the relation between J and E will be different x x

# **Complex Representation of Waves**

 $sin(kx-\omega t)$ ,  $cos(kx-\omega t)$ , and  $e^{-i(kx-\omega t)}$  are all waves

 $e^{-i(kx-\omega t)}$  is the complex one and is the most general



## Response of e- to AC Electric Fields

• Momentum represented in the complex plane



Instead of a complex momentum, we can go back to macroscopic and create a complex J and  $\sigma$ 

$$J(t) = J_0 e^{-i\omega\tau} \qquad J_0 = -nev = \frac{-nep_0}{m} = \frac{ne^2}{m(\frac{1}{\tau} - i\omega)} E_0$$
$$\sigma = \frac{\sigma_0}{1 - i\omega\tau}, \sigma_0 = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}$$

## Response of e- to AC Electric Fields

- Low frequency ( $\omega <<1/\tau$ )
  - electron has many collisions before direction change
  - Ohm's Law: J follows E, σ real
- High frequency ( $\omega >> 1/\tau$ )
  - electron has nearly 1 collision or less when direction is changed
  - J imaginary and 90 degrees out of phase with E,  $\sigma$  is imaginary

Qualitatively:

 $\omega \tau <<1$ , electrons in phase, re-irradiate,  $E_i = E_r + E_t$ , *reflection*  $\omega \tau >>1$ , electrons out of phase, electrons too slow, less interaction, *transmission*  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_r \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_r = 1$ 

$$\tau \approx 10^{-14} \sec, \nu \lambda = c, \nu = \frac{3x10^{10} cm / \sec}{5000x10^{-8} cm} \approx 10^{14} Hz$$

E-fields with frequencies greater than visible light frequency expected to be beyond influence of free electrons



# Response of light to interaction with material

- Need Maxwell's equations
  - from experiments: Gauss, Faraday, Ampere's laws
  - second term in Ampere's is from the unification
  - electromagnetic waves!

SI Units (MKS)Gaussian Units (CGS) $\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$  $\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 4\pi\rho$  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$  $\nabla x \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$  $\nabla x \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$  $\nabla x \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$  $\nabla x \vec{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$  $\vec{D} = \varepsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = \varepsilon \vec{E}$  $\vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{H} + \mu_0 \vec{M} = \mu \vec{H}$  $\mu = \mu_r \mu_0; \varepsilon = \varepsilon_r \varepsilon_0$  $\vec{G}$ 

- Non-magnetic material,  $\mu = \mu_0$
- Polarization non-existent or swamped by free electrons, P=0

$$\nabla x \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$
For a typical wave,  

$$\nabla x \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \varepsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla x (\nabla x \vec{E}) = -\frac{\partial \nabla x \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$-\nabla^2 E = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} [\mu_0 J + \mu_0 \varepsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}]$$

$$\nabla^2 E = \mu_0 \sigma \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \varepsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2}$$
For a typical wave,  

$$E = E_0 e^{i(k \cdot r - \sigma \pi)} = E_0 e^{ik \cdot r} e^{-i\sigma \pi} = E(r) e^{-i\sigma \pi}$$

$$\nabla^2 E(r) = -i\sigma \mu_0 \sigma E(r) - \mu_0 \varepsilon_0 \sigma^2 E(r)$$
Wave Equation  

$$\varepsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{i\sigma}{\varepsilon_0 \omega}$$

$$E(r) = E_0 e^{ik \cdot r}$$

$$k^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \varepsilon(\omega)$$

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\varepsilon(\omega)}}$$

- Waves slow down in materials (depends on  $\varepsilon(\omega)$ )
- Wavelength decreases (depends on  $\varepsilon(\omega)$ )
- Frequency dependence in  $\varepsilon(\omega)$

$$\varepsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{i\sigma}{\varepsilon_0 \omega} = 1 + \frac{i\sigma_0}{\varepsilon_0 \omega(1 - i\omega\tau)}$$
$$\varepsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{i\omega_p^2 \tau}{\omega - i\omega^2 \tau}$$
$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{ne^2}{\varepsilon_0 m}$$
Plasma Frequency

For  $\omega \tau >>>1$ ,  $\varepsilon(\omega)$  goes to 1

For an excellent conductor ( $\sigma_0$  large), ignore 1, look at case for  $\omega \tau \ll 1$ 

$$\varepsilon(\omega) \approx \frac{i\omega_p^2 \tau}{\omega - i\omega^2 \tau} \approx \frac{i\omega_p^2 \tau}{\omega}$$

$$k = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\varepsilon(\omega)} = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{i} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_0}{\omega \varepsilon_0}}$$
$$k = \frac{\omega}{c} \left(\frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_0}{\omega \varepsilon_0}} = \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_0 \omega}{2\varepsilon_0 c^2}} + i \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_0 \omega}{2\varepsilon_0 c^2}}\right)$$

For a wave  $E = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$  Let  $k = k_{real} + k_{imaginary} = k_r + ik_i$ 



For a material with any  $\sigma_0$ , look at case for  $\omega \tau >> 1$ 

$$\varepsilon(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

 $\omega < \omega_p$ ,  $\varepsilon$  is negative, k=k<sub>i</sub>, wave reflected

 $\omega > \omega_p$ ,  $\varepsilon$  is positive, k=k<sub>r</sub>, wave propagates



## Success and Failure of Free e- Picture

- Success
  - Metal conductivity
  - Hall effect valence=1
  - Skin Depth
  - Wiedmann-Franz law
- Examples of Failure
  - Insulators, Semiconductors
  - Hall effect valence>1
  - Thermoelectric effect
  - Colors of metals

K/σ=thermal conduct./electrical conduct.~CT

 $\mathbf{K} = \frac{1}{2}c_v v_{therm}^2 \tau$  $c_{v} = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial T}\right)_{u} = \frac{3}{2}nk_{b}; v_{therm}^{2} = \frac{3k_{b}T}{m}$  $\mathbf{K} = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{3}{2} n k_b \right) \left( \frac{3 k_b T}{m} \right) \tau = \frac{3}{2} \frac{n k_b^2 T \tau}{m}$  $\sigma = \frac{ne^2\tau}{1}$ Therefore :  $\frac{K}{\sigma} = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{k_b}{e}\right)^2 T$ ~C! Luck:  $c_{vreal} = c_{vclass}/100;$  $v_{real}^2 = v_{class}^2 \times 100$ 

## Wiedmann-Franz 'Success'

273К		373K		
Element	k (watt cm-K)	$k \sigma T$ (watt-ohm K <sup>2</sup> )	k (watt cm-K)	$k \sigma T$ (watt-ohm K <sup>2</sup> )
Li	0.71	2.22 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	0.73	2.43 x 10 <sup>8</sup>
Na	1.38	2.12		
К	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
T1	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

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Thermopower is about 100 times too large!

#### **Thermoelectric Effect**

Exposed Failure when  $c_v$  and  $v^2$  are not both in property

$$E = Q\nabla T$$
  
Thermopower Q is  $Q = -\frac{c_v}{3ne} = \frac{-\frac{3}{2}nk_b}{3ne} = -\frac{nk_b}{2e}$