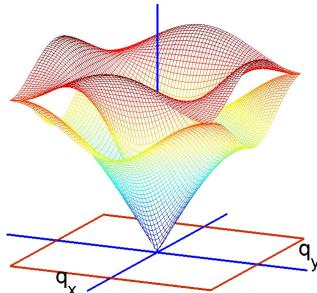


## Handout 18

### Phonons in 2D Crystals: Monoatomic Basis and Diatomic Basis

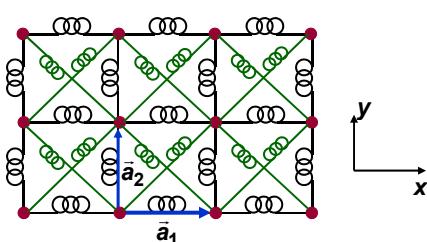
In this lecture you will learn:

- Phonons in a 2D crystal with a monoatomic basis
- Phonons in a 2D crystal with a diatomic basis
- Dispersion of phonons
- LA and TA acoustic phonons
- LO and TO optical phonons



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### Phonons in a 2D Crystal with a Monoatomic Basis



**General lattice vector:**

$$\bar{R}_{nm} = n \bar{a}_1 + m \bar{a}_2$$

**Nearest-neighbor vectors:**

$$\bar{n}_1 = a\hat{x} \quad \bar{n}_2 = a\hat{y}$$

$$\bar{n}_3 = -a\hat{x} \quad \bar{n}_4 = -a\hat{y}$$

**Next nearest-neighbor vectors:**

$$\bar{p}_1 = a\hat{x} + a\hat{y} \quad \bar{p}_2 = -a\hat{x} + a\hat{y}$$

$$\bar{p}_3 = -a\hat{x} - a\hat{y} \quad \bar{p}_4 = a\hat{x} - a\hat{y}$$

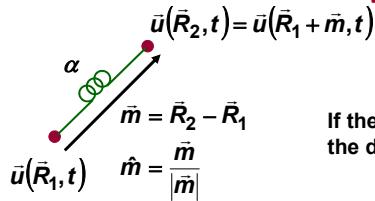
**Atomic displacement vectors:**

Atoms, can move in 2D therefore atomic displacements are given by a vector:

$$\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) \\ u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) \end{bmatrix}$$

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### Vector Dynamical Equations



If the nearest-neighbor vectors are known then the dynamical equations can be written easily.

**Vector dynamical equation:**

$$M \frac{d^2 \bar{u}(\bar{R}_1, t)}{dt^2} = \alpha [ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_2, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_1, t)] \cdot \hat{m}] \hat{m} = \alpha [ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_1 + \bar{m}, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_1, t)] \cdot \hat{m}] \hat{m}$$

**Component dynamical equation:**

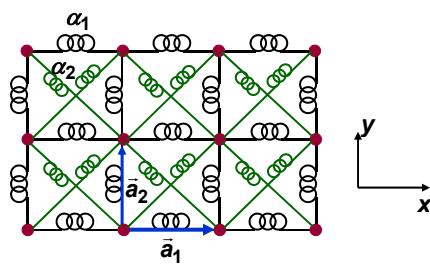
To find the equations for the x and y-components of the atomic displacement, take the dot-products of the above equation on both sides with  $\hat{x}$  and  $\hat{y}$ , respectively:

$$M \frac{d^2 u_x(\bar{R}_1, t)}{dt^2} = \alpha [ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_1 + \bar{m}, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_1, t)] \cdot \hat{m}] (\hat{m} \cdot \hat{x})$$

$$M \frac{d^2 u_y(\bar{R}_1, t)}{dt^2} = \alpha [ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_1 + \bar{m}, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_1, t)] \cdot \hat{m}] (\hat{m} \cdot \hat{y})$$

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### Vector Dynamical Equations for a 2D Crystal



**General lattice vector:**

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$$\bar{p}_3 = -a\hat{x} - a\hat{y} \quad \bar{p}_4 = a\hat{x} - a\hat{y}$$

$$M \frac{d^2 \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)}{dt^2} = \alpha_1 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} [ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_j, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)] \cdot \hat{n}_j ] \hat{n}_j \xrightarrow{\text{summation over 4 nn}}$$

$$+ \alpha_2 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} [ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_j, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)] \cdot \hat{p}_j ] \hat{p}_j \xrightarrow{\text{summation over 4 next nn}}$$

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### Dynamical Equations

$$M \frac{d^2\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)}{dt^2} = \alpha_1 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_j, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)] \cdot \hat{n}_j \right] \hat{n}_j \\ + \alpha_2 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_j, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)] \cdot \hat{p}_j \right] \hat{p}_j$$

If we take the dot-product of the above equation with  $\hat{x}$  we get:

$$M \frac{d^2u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)}{dt^2} = -\alpha_1 [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_1, t)] - \alpha_1 [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_3, t)] \\ - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_1, t)] - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_1, t)] \\ - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_2, t)] + \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_2, t)] \\ - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_3, t)] - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_3, t)] \\ - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_4, t)] + \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_4, t)]$$

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### Dynamical Equations

$$M \frac{d^2\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)}{dt^2} = \alpha_1 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_j, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)] \cdot \hat{n}_j \right] \hat{n}_j \\ + \alpha_2 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_j, t) - \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)] \cdot \hat{p}_j \right] \hat{p}_j$$

If we take the dot-product of the above equation with  $\hat{y}$  we get:

$$M \frac{d^2u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t)}{dt^2} = -\alpha_1 [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_2, t)] - \alpha_1 [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_4, t)] \\ - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_1, t)] - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_1, t)] \\ - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_2, t)] + \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_2, t)] \\ - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_3, t)] - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_3, t)] \\ - \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_4, t)] + \frac{\alpha_2}{2} [u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) - u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{p}_4, t)]$$

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## Solution of the Dynamical Equations

Assume a wave-like solution of the form:

$$\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) \\ u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{R}_{nm}} e^{-i \omega t}$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_j, t) &= \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_j, t) \\ u_y(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_j, t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} e^{i \bar{q} \cdot (\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{n}_j)} e^{-i \omega t} \\ &= e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{n}_j} \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{R}_{nm}} e^{-i \omega t} \\ &= e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{n}_j} \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) \end{aligned}$$

We take the above solution form and plug it into the dynamical equations

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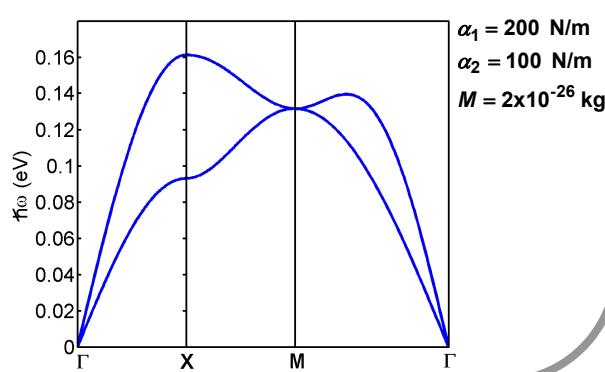
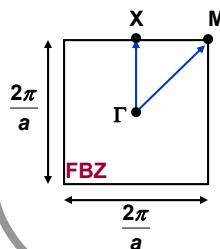
## Dynamical Matrix and Phonon Bands

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4\alpha_1 \sin^2\left(\frac{q_x a}{2}\right) + 2\alpha_2 [1 - \cos(q_x a) \cos(q_y a)] & 2\alpha_2 \sin(q_x a) \sin(q_y a) \\ 2\alpha_2 \sin(q_x a) \sin(q_y a) & 4\alpha_1 \sin^2\left(\frac{q_y a}{2}\right) + 2\alpha_2 [1 - \cos(q_x a) \cos(q_y a)] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} = \omega^2 M \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Compare with the standard form:

$$\bar{D}(\bar{q}) \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} = \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} M & 0 \\ 0 & M \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Solutions:



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$$\begin{bmatrix} 4\alpha_1 \left(\frac{q_x a}{2}\right)^2 + \alpha_2 [(q_x a)^2 + (q_y a)^2] & 2\alpha_2 (q_x a)(q_y a) \\ 2\alpha_2 (q_x a)(q_y a) & 4\alpha_1 \left(\frac{q_y a}{2}\right)^2 + \alpha_2 [(q_x a)^2 + (q_y a)^2] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} = \omega^2 M \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix}$$

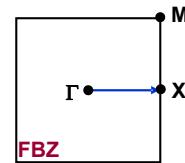
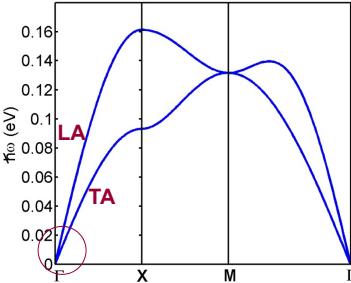
Case I:  $q_x \approx 0, q_y = 0$

$$\omega_{LA}(q_x) = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2}{M}} q_x a \quad \begin{bmatrix} u_x(q_x) \\ u_y(q_x) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Longitudinal acoustic phonons:** atomic motion in the direction of wave propagation

$$\omega_{TA}(q_x) = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_2}{M}} q_x a \quad \begin{bmatrix} u_x(q_x) \\ u_y(q_x) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Transverse acoustic phonons:** atomic motion in the direction perpendicular to wave propagation



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### Transverse (TA) and Longitudinal (LA) Acoustic Phonons

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4\alpha_1 \left(\frac{q_x a}{2}\right)^2 + \alpha_2 [(q_x a)^2 + (q_y a)^2] & 2\alpha_2 (q_x a)(q_y a) \\ 2\alpha_2 (q_x a)(q_y a) & 4\alpha_1 \left(\frac{q_y a}{2}\right)^2 + \alpha_2 [(q_x a)^2 + (q_y a)^2] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} = \omega^2 M \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix}$$

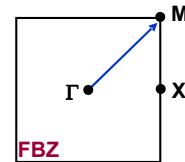
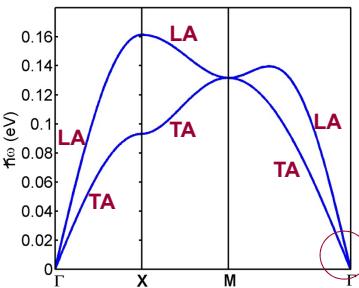
Case II:  $q_x \approx 0, q_y \approx 0 \quad q_x = q_y = q$

$$\omega_{LA}(q) = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_1 + 4\alpha_2}{M}} q a \quad \begin{bmatrix} u_x(q) \\ u_y(q) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Longitudinal acoustic phonons:** atomic motion in the direction of wave propagation

$$\omega_{TA}(q) = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_1}{M}} q a \quad \begin{bmatrix} u_x(q) \\ u_y(q) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Transverse acoustic phonons:** atomic motion in the direction perpendicular to wave propagation



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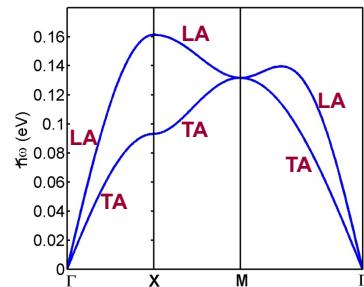
### Transverse (TA) and Longitudinal (LA) Acoustic Phonons

In general for longitudinal acoustic phonons near the zone center:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_x(q) \\ u_y(q) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{A}{|\vec{q}|} \begin{bmatrix} q_x \\ q_y \end{bmatrix}$$

And for transverse acoustic phonons near the zone center:

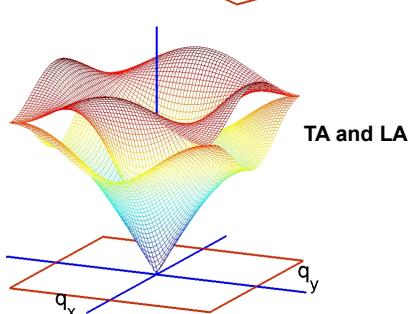
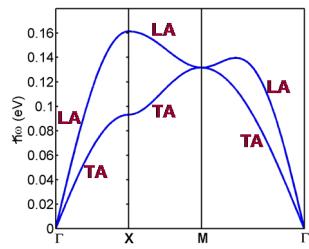
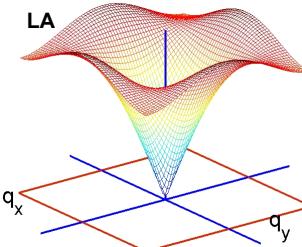
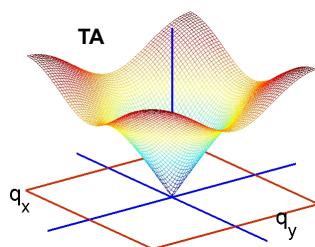
$$\begin{bmatrix} u_x(q) \\ u_y(q) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{A}{|\vec{q}|} \begin{bmatrix} -q_y \\ q_x \end{bmatrix}$$



In general, away from the zone center, the LA phonons are not entirely longitudinal and neither the TA phonons are entirely transverse

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### Transverse (TA) and Longitudinal (LA) Acoustic Phonons



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## Periodic Boundary Conditions in 2D

General lattice vector:

$$\bar{R}_{nm} = n \bar{a}_1 + m \bar{a}_2$$

General reciprocal lattice vector inside FBZ:

$$\bar{q} = \alpha_1 \bar{b}_1 + \alpha_2 \bar{b}_2 \quad \{ -1/2 \leq \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \leq 1/2$$

Our solution was:

$$\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) \\ u_y(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{R}_{nm}} e^{-i \omega t}$$

Periodic boundary conditions for a lattice of  $N_1 \times N_2$  primitive cells imply:

$$\bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm} + N_1 \bar{a}_1, t) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} e^{i \bar{q} \cdot (\bar{R}_{nm} + N_1 \bar{a}_1)} e^{-i \omega t} = \bar{u}(\bar{R}_{nm}, t) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(\bar{q}) \\ u_y(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{R}_{nm}} e^{-i \omega t}$$

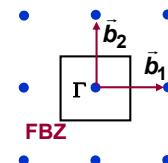
$$\Rightarrow e^{i \bar{q} \cdot N_1 \bar{a}_1} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{q} \cdot N_1 \bar{a}_1 = m_1 2\pi \quad \{ \text{where } m_1 \text{ is an integer}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\pi \alpha_1 N_1 = m_1 2\pi \quad \{ \text{where } -\frac{1}{2} < \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \frac{m_1}{N_1} \quad \{ \text{where } -\frac{N_1}{2} < m_1 \leq \frac{N_1}{2}$$

$$\text{Similarly: } \alpha_2 = \frac{m_2}{N_2} \quad \{ \text{where } -\frac{N_2}{2} < m_2 \leq \frac{N_2}{2}$$



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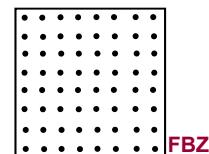
## Counting Degrees of Freedom

In the solution the values of the phonon wavevector are dictated by the periodic boundary conditions:

$$\bar{q} = \alpha_1 \bar{b}_1 + \alpha_2 \bar{b}_2$$

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{m_1}{N_1} \quad \{ \text{where } -\frac{N_1}{2} < m_1 \leq \frac{N_1}{2}$$

$$\alpha_2 = \frac{m_2}{N_2} \quad \{ \text{where } -\frac{N_2}{2} < m_2 \leq \frac{N_2}{2}$$



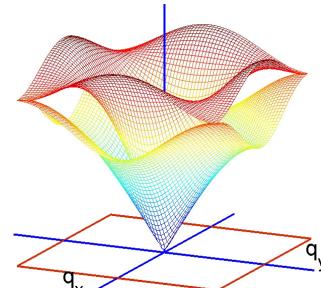
$\Rightarrow$  There are  $N_1 N_2$  allowed wavevectors in the FBZ  
(There are also  $N_1 N_2$  primitive cells in the crystals)

$\Rightarrow$  There are  $N_1 N_2$  phonon modes per phonon band

Counting degrees of freedom:

- There are  $2N_1 N_2$  degrees of freedom corresponding to the motion in 2D of  $N_1 N_2$  atoms

- The total number of different phonon modes in the two bands is also  $2N_1 N_2$



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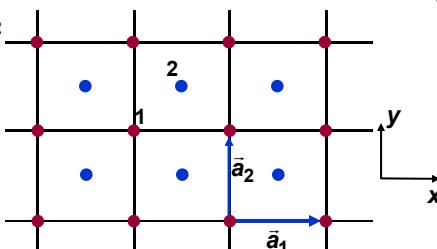
### Phonons in a 2D Crystal with a Diatomic Basis

$$\vec{R}_{nm} = n \vec{a}_1 + m \vec{a}_2$$

#### Atomic displacement vectors:

The two atoms in a primitive cell can move in 2D therefore atomic displacements are given by a four-component column vector:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_1(\vec{R}_{nm} + \vec{d}_1, t) \\ \bar{u}_2(\vec{R}_{nm} + \vec{d}_2, t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(\vec{R}_{nm} + \vec{d}_1, t) \\ u_{1y}(\vec{R}_{nm} + \vec{d}_1, t) \\ u_{2x}(\vec{R}_{nm} + \vec{d}_2, t) \\ u_{2y}(\vec{R}_{nm} + \vec{d}_2, t) \end{bmatrix}$$



#### 2nd nearest-neighbor vectors (red to red):

$$\bar{n}_1 = a\hat{x} \quad \bar{n}_2 = a\hat{y}$$

$$\bar{n}_3 = -a\hat{x} \quad \bar{n}_4 = -a\hat{y}$$

#### 1st nearest-neighbor vectors (red to blue):

$$\bar{h}_1 = \frac{a\hat{x} + a\hat{y}}{2} \quad \bar{h}_2 = \frac{-a\hat{x} + a\hat{y}}{2}$$

$$\bar{h}_3 = \frac{-a\hat{x} - a\hat{y}}{2} \quad \bar{h}_4 = \frac{a\hat{x} - a\hat{y}}{2}$$

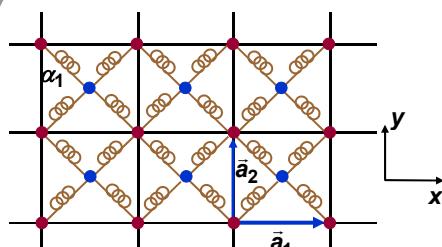
#### 3rd nearest-neighbor vectors (red to red):

$$\bar{p}_1 = a\hat{x} + a\hat{y} \quad \bar{p}_2 = -a\hat{x} + a\hat{y}$$

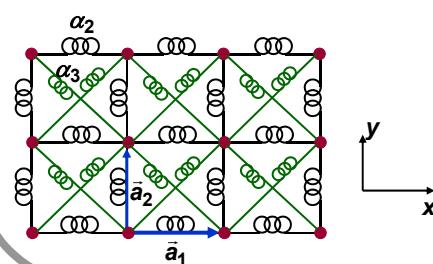
$$\bar{p}_3 = -a\hat{x} - a\hat{y} \quad \bar{p}_4 = a\hat{x} - a\hat{y}$$

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### Diatomc Basis: Force Constants



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The force constants between the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> nearest-neighbors need to be included (at least)

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## Diatom Basis: Dynamical Equations

Dynamical equation for the red(1) atom:

$$M_1 \frac{d^2 \bar{u}_1(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1, t)}{dt^2} = +\alpha_1 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1 + \bar{n}_j, t) - \bar{u}_1(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1, t)] \cdot \hat{h}_j \right] \hat{h}_j \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{summation} \\ \text{over 4 1st nn} \end{array}$$

$$+ \alpha_2 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}_1(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1 + \bar{n}_j, t) - \bar{u}_1(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1, t)] \cdot \hat{n}_j \right] \hat{n}_j \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{summation} \\ \text{over 4 2nd nn} \end{array}$$

$$+ \alpha_3 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}_1(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1 + \bar{p}_j, t) - \bar{u}_1(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1, t)] \cdot \hat{p}_j \right] \hat{p}_j \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{summation} \\ \text{over 4 3rd nn} \end{array}$$

Dynamical equation for the blue(2) atom:

$$M_2 \frac{d^2 \bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2, t)}{dt^2} = +\alpha_1 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2 + \bar{n}_j, t) - \bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2, t)] \cdot \hat{h}_j \right] \hat{h}_j \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{summation} \\ \text{over 4 1st nn} \end{array}$$

$$+ \alpha_2 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2 + \bar{n}_j, t) - \bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2, t)] \cdot \hat{n}_j \right] \hat{n}_j \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{summation} \\ \text{over 4 2nd nn} \end{array}$$

$$+ \alpha_3 \sum_{j=1,2,3,4} \left[ [\bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2 + \bar{p}_j, t) - \bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2, t)] \cdot \hat{p}_j \right] \hat{p}_j \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{summation} \\ \text{over 4 3rd nn} \end{array}$$

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## Diatom Basis: Dynamical Equations

Assume a solution of the form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_1(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1, t) \\ \bar{u}_2(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2, t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1, t) \\ u_{1y}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_1, t) \\ u_{2x}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2, t) \\ u_{2y}(\bar{R}_{nm} + \bar{d}_2, t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(\bar{q}) e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{d}_1} \\ u_{1y}(\bar{q}) e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{d}_1} \\ u_{2x}(\bar{q}) e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{d}_2} \\ u_{2y}(\bar{q}) e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{d}_2} \end{bmatrix} e^{i \bar{q} \cdot \bar{R}_{nm}} e^{-i \omega t}$$

To get a matrix equation of the form:

$$\bar{D}(\bar{q}) \begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(\bar{q}) \\ u_{1y}(\bar{q}) \\ u_{2x}(\bar{q}) \\ u_{2y}(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix} = \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} M_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(\bar{q}) \\ u_{1y}(\bar{q}) \\ u_{2x}(\bar{q}) \\ u_{2y}(\bar{q}) \end{bmatrix}$$

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### The Dynamical Matrix

$$\bar{D}(\vec{q}) \begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(\vec{q}) \\ u_{1y}(\vec{q}) \\ u_{2x}(\vec{q}) \\ u_{2y}(\vec{q}) \end{bmatrix} = \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} M_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(\vec{q}) \\ u_{1y}(\vec{q}) \\ u_{2x}(\vec{q}) \\ u_{2y}(\vec{q}) \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix  $\bar{D}(\vec{q})$  is:

$2\alpha_1 + 4\alpha_2 \sin^2\left(\frac{q_x a}{2}\right) + 2\alpha_3 [1 - \cos(q_x a)\cos(q_y a)]$	$2\alpha_3 \sin(q_x a)\sin(q_y a)$	$-2\alpha_1 \cos\left(\frac{q_x a}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{q_y a}{2}\right)$	$2\alpha_1 \sin\left(\frac{q_x a}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{q_y a}{2}\right)$
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### Diatomic Basis: Solution and Phonon Bands

For calculations:

$$2M_1 = M_2 = 4 \times 10^{-26} \text{ kg}$$

$$\alpha_1 = 300 \text{ N/m}$$

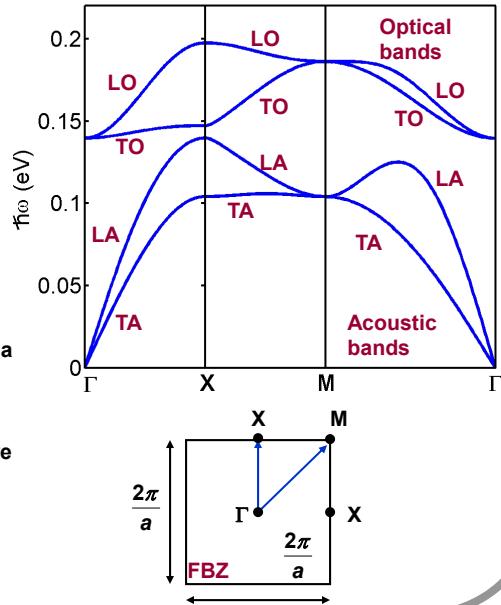
$$\alpha_2 = 200 \text{ N/m}$$

$$\alpha_3 = 100 \text{ N/m}$$

One obtains:

- 2 optical phonon bands (that have a non-zero frequency at the zone center)

- 2 acoustic phonon bands (that have zero frequency at the zone center)



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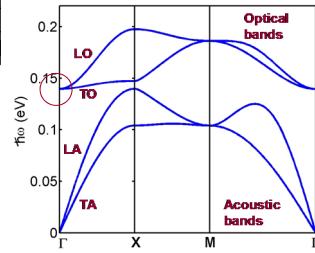
## Longitudinal (LO) and Transverse (TO) Optical Phonons

**Case I:**  $q_x \approx 0, q_y = 0$

$$\omega_{LO}(q_x \approx 0) = \sqrt{\frac{2\alpha_1}{M_r}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(q_x) \\ u_{1y}(q_x) \\ u_{2x}(q_x) \\ u_{2y}(q_x) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -M_1/M_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{M_r} = \frac{1}{M_1} + \frac{1}{M_2}$$

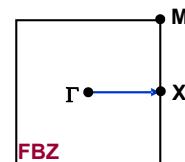


**Longitudinal optical phonons:** atomic motion in the direction of wave propagation and basis atoms move out of phase

$$\omega_{TO}(q_x \approx 0) = \sqrt{\frac{2\alpha_1}{M_r}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(q_x) \\ u_{1y}(q_x) \\ u_{2x}(q_x) \\ u_{2y}(q_x) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -M_1/M_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Transverse optical phonons:** atomic motion in the direction perpendicular to wave propagation and basis atoms move out of phase



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## Longitudinal (LA) and Transverse (TA) Acoustic Phonons

**Case I:**  $q_x \approx 0, q_y = 0$

$$\omega_{LA}(q_x \approx 0) = ?$$

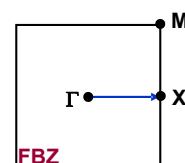
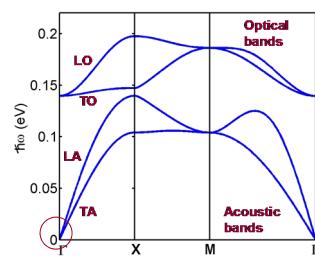
$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(q_x) \\ u_{1y}(q_x) \\ u_{2x}(q_x) \\ u_{2y}(q_x) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Longitudinal acoustic phonons:** atomic motion in the direction of wave propagation and basis atoms move in phase

$$\omega_{TO}(q_x \approx 0) = ?$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{1x}(q_x) \\ u_{1y}(q_x) \\ u_{2x}(q_x) \\ u_{2y}(q_x) \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Transverse acoustic phonons:** atomic motion in the direction perpendicular to wave propagation and basis atoms move in phase



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## Counting Degrees of Freedom and the Number of Phonon Bands

Periodic boundary conditions for a lattice of  $N_1 \times N_2$  primitive cells imply:

$$\bar{q} = \alpha_1 \vec{b}_1 + \alpha_2 \vec{b}_2$$

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{m_1}{N_1} \quad \left\{ \text{where } -\frac{N_1}{2} < m_1 \leq \frac{N_1}{2} \right.$$

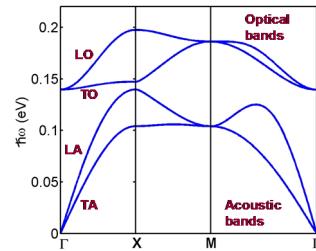
$$\alpha_2 = \frac{m_2}{N_2} \quad \left\{ \text{where } -\frac{N_2}{2} < m_2 \leq \frac{N_2}{2} \right.$$

$\Rightarrow$  There are  $N_1 N_2$  allowed wavevectors in the FBZ

$\Rightarrow$  There are  $N_1 N_2$  phonon modes per phonon band

**Counting degrees of freedom:**

- There are  $4N_1 N_2$  degrees of freedom corresponding to the motion in 2D of  $2N_1 N_2$  atoms (2 atoms in each primitive cell)
- The total number of different phonon modes in the four bands is also  $4N_1 N_2$



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