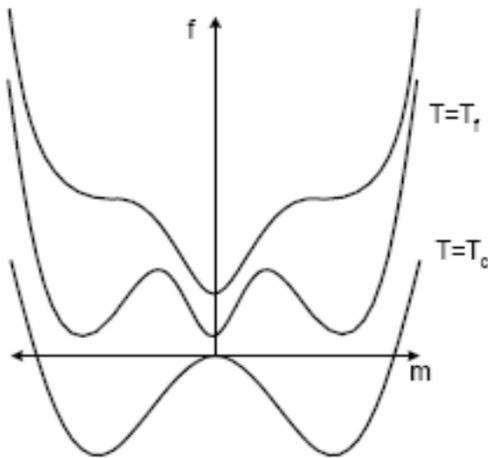


28. Phase Transitions Quasiparticles

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First order transitions

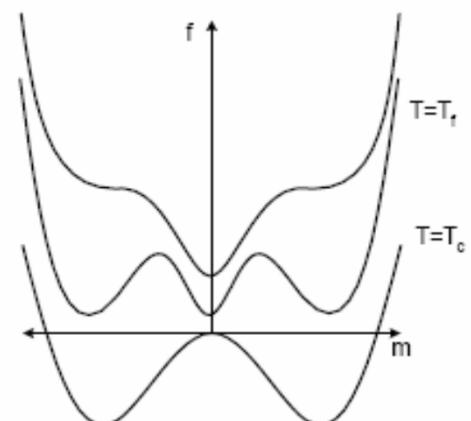
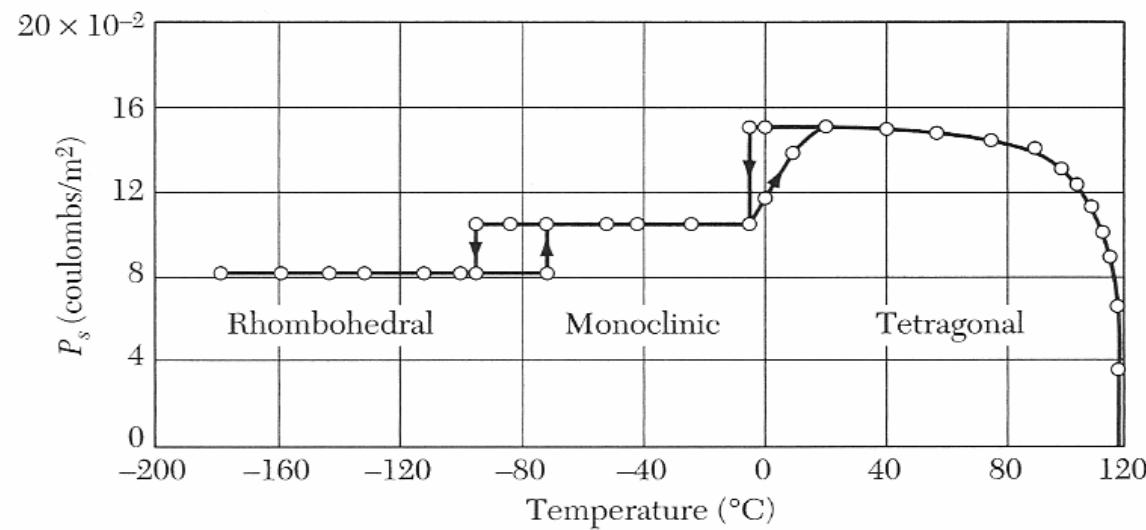
$$f = f_0 + \alpha_0 (T - T_c) m^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta m^4 + \frac{1}{3} \gamma m^6 + \dots \quad \alpha_0 > 0, \quad \beta < 0, \quad \gamma > 0$$



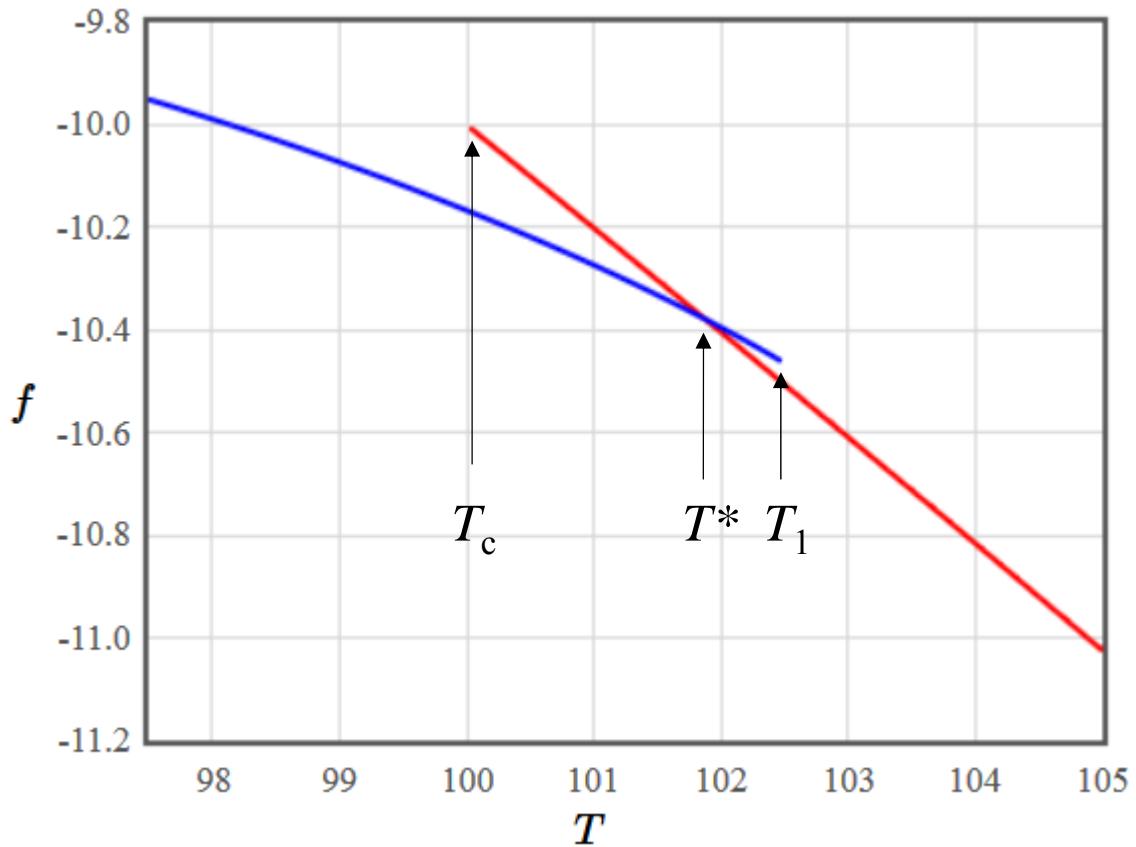
There is a jump in the order parameter at the phase transition.

First order transitions

BaTiO_3



$T_c?$



$$T_1 = \frac{\beta^2}{4\alpha_0\gamma} + T_c$$

$$T^* - T_c = \frac{3\beta^2}{16\alpha_0\gamma}$$

First order transitions

$$f = f_0 + \alpha_0 (T - T_c) m^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta m^4 + \frac{1}{3} \gamma m^6 + \dots \quad \beta < 0 \quad \gamma > 0$$

$$\frac{df}{dm} = 2\alpha_0 (T - T_c) m + 2\beta m^3 + 2\gamma m^5 = 0$$

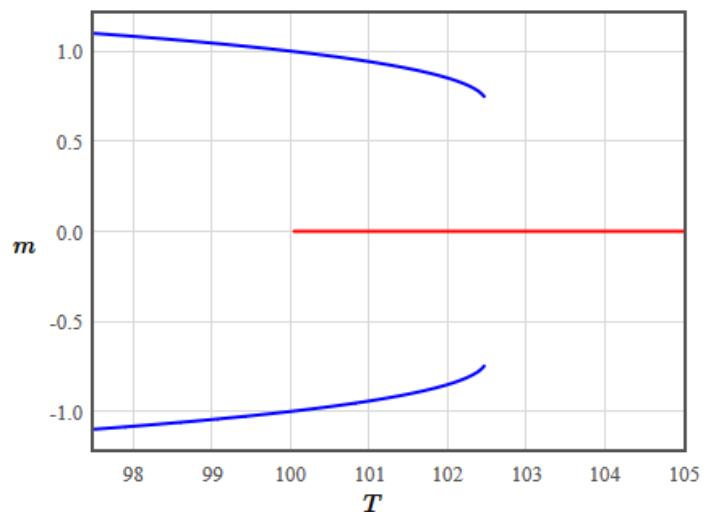
One solution for $m = 0$.

$$\alpha_0 (T - T_c) + \beta m^2 + \gamma m^4 = 0$$

$$m^2 = 0, \frac{-\beta \pm \sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha_0 (T - T_c) \gamma}}{2\gamma}$$

There will be a minimum at finite m as long as m^2 is real

$$T_1 = \frac{\beta^2}{4\alpha_0 \gamma} + T_c$$



Jump in the order parameter

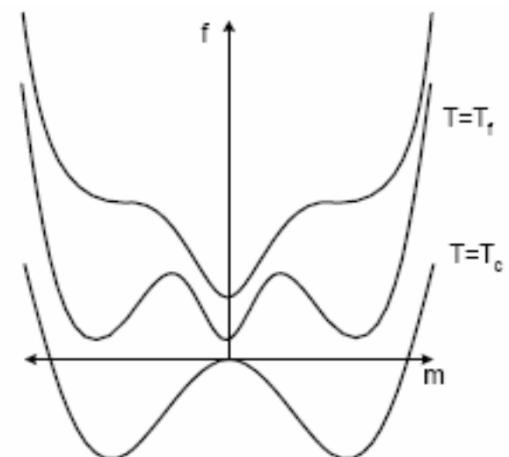
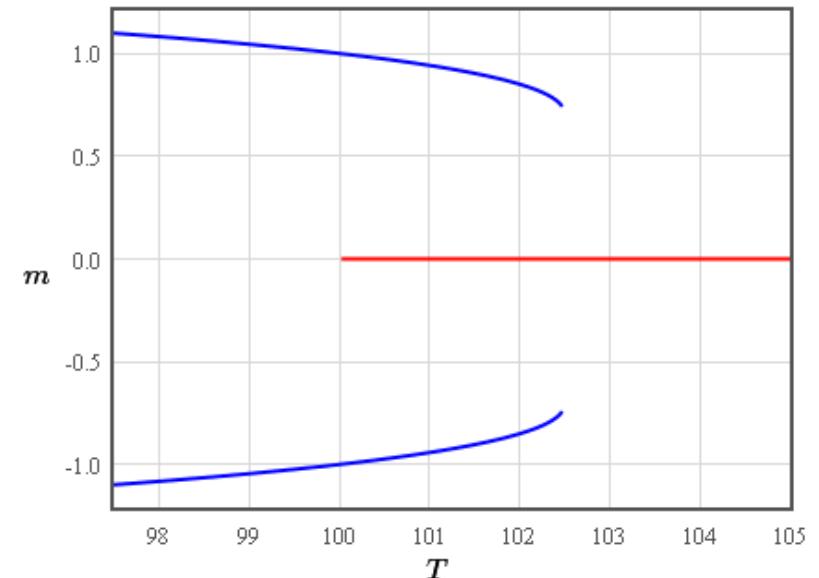
$$m^2 = \frac{-\beta \pm \sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha_0(T - T_c)\gamma}}{2\gamma}$$

At T_c

$$\Delta m = \sqrt{\frac{-\beta}{\gamma}}$$

At T_1

$$\Delta m = \sqrt{\frac{-\beta}{2\gamma}}$$



First order transitions, entropy, c_v

$$f = f_0 + \alpha_0 (T - T_c) m^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta m^4 + \frac{1}{3} \gamma m^6 + \dots \quad \beta < 0$$

$$m = 0, \pm \sqrt{\frac{-\beta \pm \sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha_0(T - T_c)\gamma}}{2\gamma}}$$

$$s = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial T} = \frac{\alpha_0}{2\gamma} \left(\beta - \sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha_0\gamma(T - T_c)} \right)$$

$$c_v = T \frac{\partial s}{\partial T} = \frac{\alpha_0^2 T}{\sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha_0\gamma(T - T_c)}}$$

branch where the order parameter is nonzero

First order transitions, susceptibility

$$f = f_0 + \alpha_0 (T - T_c) m^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta m^4 + \frac{1}{3} \gamma m^6 - mB \quad \beta < 0$$

$$\frac{df}{dm} = 2\alpha_0 (T - T_c) m + 2\beta m^3 + 2\gamma m^5 - B = 0$$

At the minima $B = 2\alpha_0 (T - T_c) m + 2\beta m^3 + 2\gamma m^5$

For small m ,

$$\chi = \left. \frac{dm}{dB} \right|_{m=0} = \frac{1}{2\alpha_0 (T - T_c)} \quad \text{Curie - Weiss}$$

$$\chi = \left. \frac{dm}{dB} \right|_{m=\sqrt{\frac{-\beta}{2\gamma}}} = \frac{1}{2\alpha_0 (T - T_1)}$$

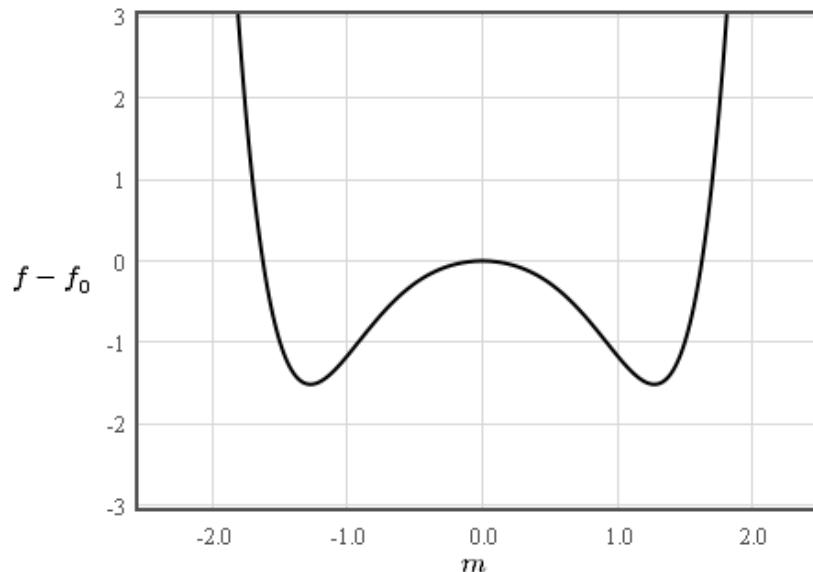
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Landau theory of a first order phase transition

The free energy for a first order transition in Landau theory is,

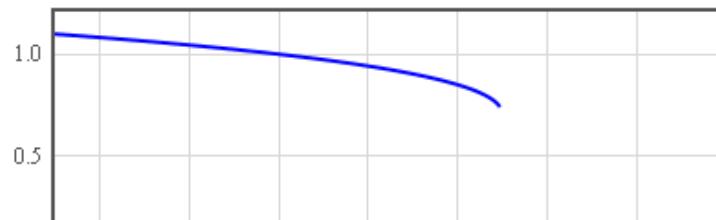
$$f(T) = f_0(T) + \alpha_0(T - T_c)m^2 + \frac{1}{2}\beta m^4 + \frac{1}{3}\gamma m^6 \quad \alpha_0 > 0, \quad \beta < 0, \quad \gamma > 0.$$

Here $f_0(T)$ describes the temperature dependence of the high temperature phase near the phase transition.



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$\beta =$	<input type="text" value="-1"/>
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Order parameter



Quasiparticles

Excitations from equilibrium

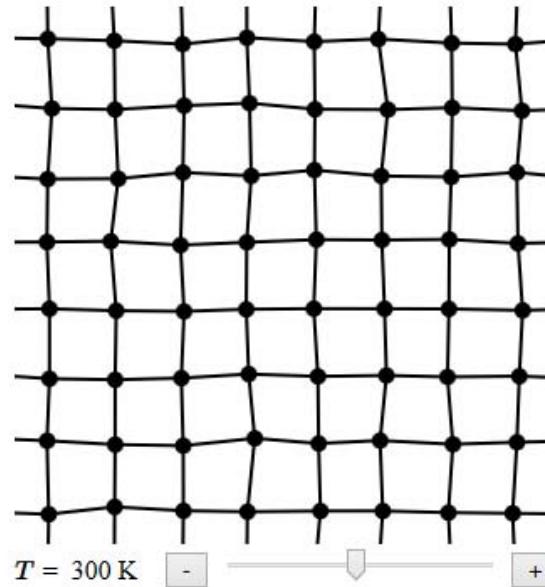
phonons
plasmons
magnons
polaritons
(electrons)

Landau's theory of a Fermi liquid

polarons
excitons

Normal Modes and Phonons

At finite temperatures, the atoms in a crystal vibrate. In the simulation below, the atoms move randomly around their equilibrium positions.



Longitudinal plasma waves

$$nm \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = -neE$$

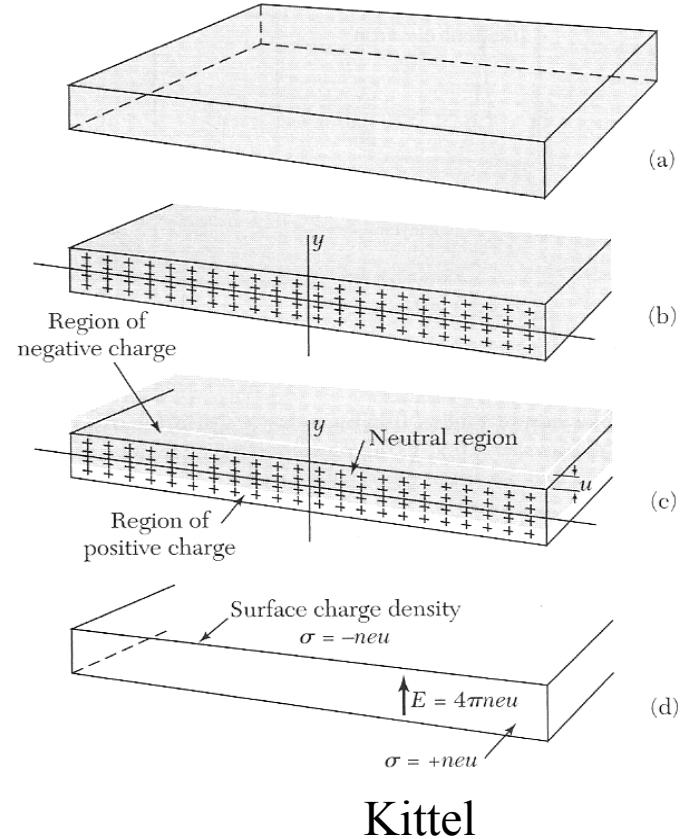
$$E = \frac{ney}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$nm \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = -\frac{n^2 e^2 y}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + \omega_p^2 y = 0$$

Plasma frequency

$$\omega_p = \sqrt{\frac{ne^2}{m\epsilon_0}}$$



There is no magnetic component of the wave.

Plasma waves can be quantized like any other wave

Transverse optical plasma waves

The dispersion relation for light

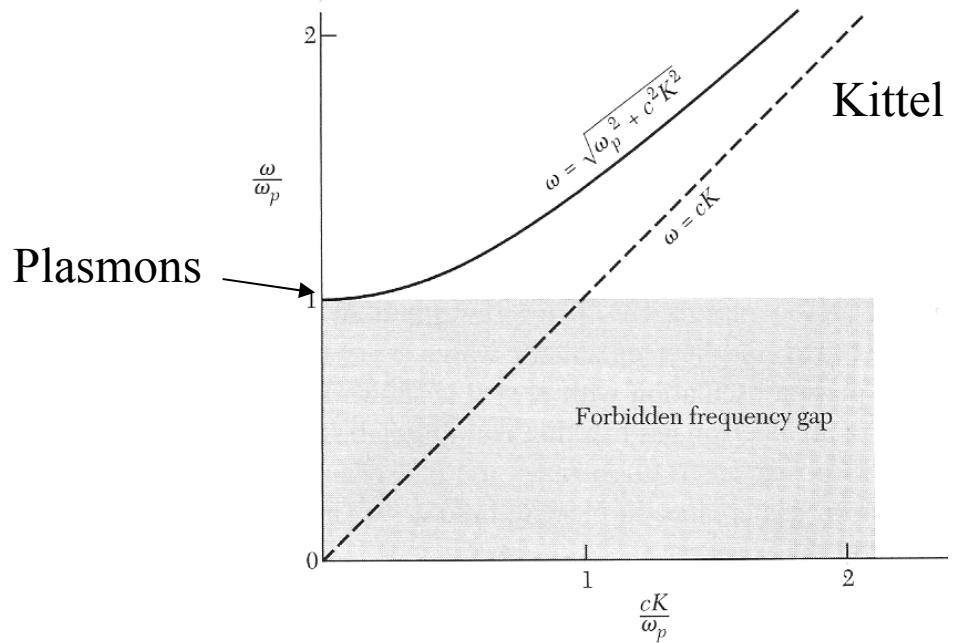
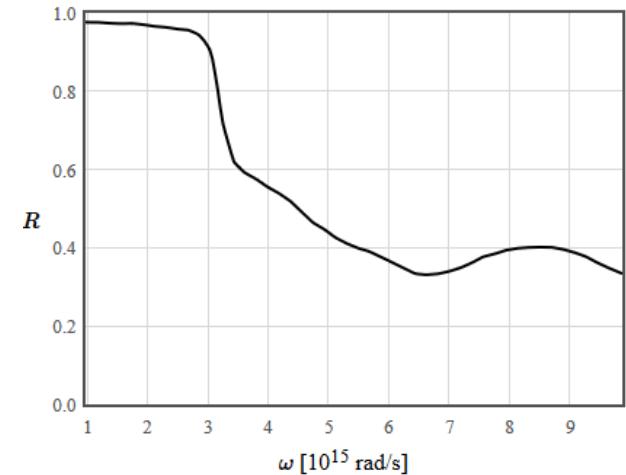
$$\epsilon\epsilon_0\mu_0\omega^2 = \frac{\epsilon\omega^2}{c^2} = k^2$$

For a free electron gas

$$\epsilon = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}\right)\omega^2 = c^2 k^2$$

$$\omega^2 = \omega_p^2 + c^2 k^2$$



Raman Spectroscopy

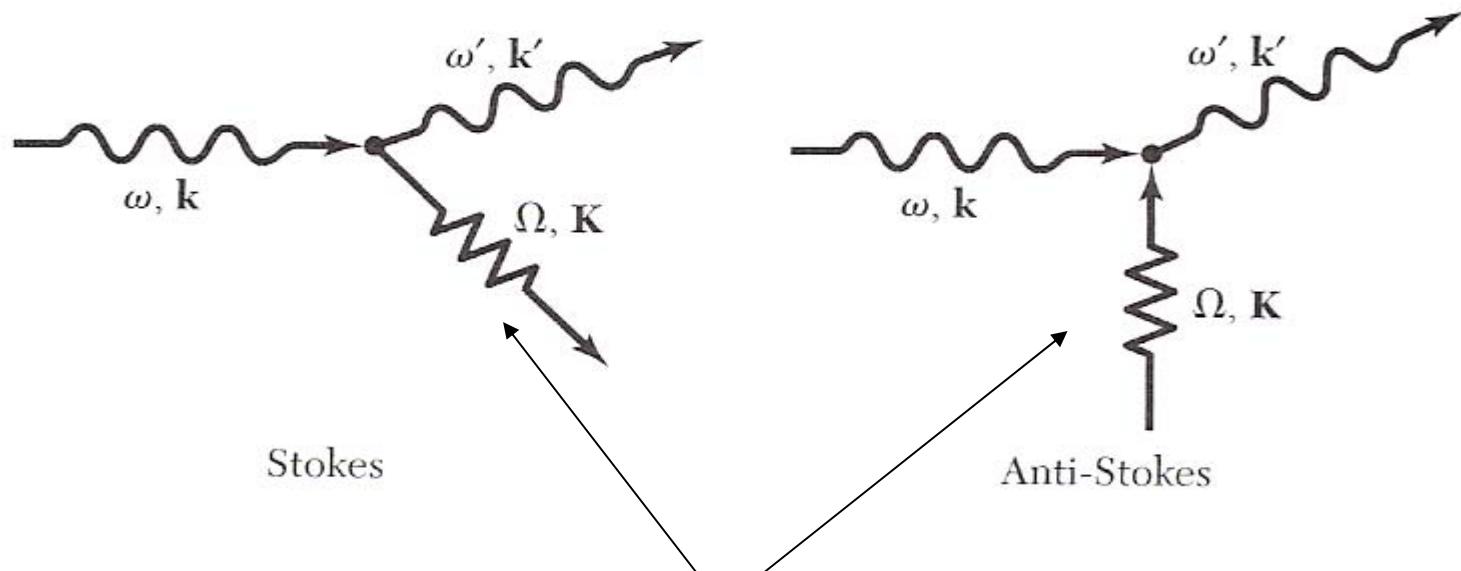
Inelastic light scattering

$$\omega = \omega' \pm \Omega$$

$$\vec{k} = \vec{k}' \pm \vec{K} \pm \vec{G}$$



C. V. Raman



Phonons, magnons, plasmons, polaritons, ...

$$\vec{K} \approx 0$$

Raman Spectroscopy

$$\chi = \chi_0 + \frac{\partial\chi}{\partial X} X \cos(\Omega t)$$

$$\vec{P} = \varepsilon_0 \chi \vec{E} \cos(\omega t) + \varepsilon_0 \frac{\partial\chi}{\partial X} X \cos(\Omega t) \vec{E} \cos(\omega t)$$

There are components of the polarization that oscillate at $\omega \pm \Omega$.

