

Notes on Average Scattering Times and Hall Factors

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I. Introduction

We write the mobility as

$$\mu = \frac{q \langle \langle \tau_m \rangle \rangle}{m^*} \quad (1)$$

and the Hall factor as

$$r_H = \frac{\langle \langle \tau_m^2 \rangle \rangle}{\langle \langle \tau_m \rangle \rangle^2} . \quad (2)$$

What are these factors in 1D, 2D, and 3D for parabolic energy bands,

$$E = E_C + \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m^*}, \quad (3)$$

and power law scattering?

$$\tau(E - E_C) = \tau_0 \left[(E - E_C) / k_B T \right]^s . \quad (4)$$

II. Solution of the BTE

Begin with the general BTE:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla_r f + \vec{F}_e \cdot \nabla_p f = \hat{C}f, \quad (5)$$

and make the Relaxation Time Approximation to the collision integral,

$$\hat{C}f = - \left(\frac{f(\vec{p}) - f_0(\vec{p})}{\tau_m} \right) = - \frac{\delta f(\vec{p})}{\tau_m}, \quad (6)$$

to write the steady-state, spatially homogeneous BTE as

$$-q\vec{\mathcal{E}} \cdot \nabla_p f = -\frac{\delta f(\vec{p})}{\tau_m}. \quad (7)$$

Now assume

$$\nabla_p f \approx \nabla_p f_0 \quad (8)$$

to find

$$\delta f(\vec{p}) = +q\tau_m \vec{\mathcal{E}} \cdot \nabla_p f_0. \quad (9)$$

Recognizing that f_0 is a function of energy, we use the chain rule

$$\nabla_p f_0(E) = \left(\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) \nabla_p E = \left(\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) \vec{v}, \quad (10)$$

which can be used to write (9) as

$$\delta f(\vec{p}) = \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) \vec{v} \cdot (-q\vec{\mathcal{E}}). \quad (11)$$

Equation (11) is the solution to the steady-state, spatially uniform BTE in the Relaxation Time Approximation. To find the current, we evaluate

$$\vec{J}_n(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\vec{k}} (-q) \vec{v}(\vec{k}) \delta f(\vec{r}, \vec{k}), \quad (12)$$

where $d = 1, 2, \text{ or } 3$ depending on the dimension.

For the x-directed current:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{nx}(\vec{r}) &= \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\vec{k}} (-q) v_x(\vec{k}) \delta f(\vec{r}, \vec{k}) \\ J_{nx}(\vec{r}) &= \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\vec{k}} (-q) v_x(\vec{k}) \left\{ \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) \vec{v} \cdot (-q\vec{\mathcal{E}}) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

For an x-directed electric field

$$\begin{aligned} J_{nx}(\vec{r}) &= \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\vec{k}} q^2 v_x(\vec{k}) \left\{ \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) v_x \mathcal{E}_x \right\} \\ J_{nx}(\vec{r}) &= \left\{ \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\vec{k}} q^2 v_x^2(\vec{k}) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) \right\} \mathcal{E}_x = \sigma_n \mathcal{E}_x, \end{aligned}$$

so we have

$$J_{nx} = \sigma_{xx} \mathcal{E}_x$$

$$\sigma_{xx} = \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\vec{k}} q^2 v_x^2(\vec{k}) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right). \quad (14)$$

Equation (14) is valid in 1D, 2D, or 3D for arbitrary bandstructures

If we write

$$\sigma_n \equiv nq\mu_n,$$

then we obtain from (14)

$$\mu_n = \frac{\frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\vec{k}} q^2 v_x^2(\vec{k}) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{nq} = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} q v_x^2(\vec{k}) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}.$$

Now let's assume parabolic energy bands and write the mobility as in (1)

$$\mu_n = \frac{q \langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle}{m^*} = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} q v_x^2 \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}$$

from which we obtain

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} m^* v_x^2 \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}, \quad (15)$$

which is the definition of the average scattering time and is valid for parabolic energy bands in 1D, 2D, or 3D.

Case i): 3D with parabolic energy bands

Assuming that v^2 is equally distributed between the three degrees of freedom,

$$v_x^2 = v_y^2 = v_z^2 = \frac{v^2}{3}.$$

So (15) becomes

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} \frac{m^* v^2 \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{3}}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}, \quad (16)$$

and for parabolic energy bands

$$\frac{1}{2} m^* v^2 = (E - E_C) \quad (17)$$

so (16) becomes

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{(3/2) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}. \quad (18)$$

Equation (18) is analogous to Eq. (7.76) in *Near-Equilibrium Transport* (Lundstrom and Jeong).

If we now assume non-degenerate conditions, then

$$\left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) = \frac{1}{k_B T} f_0,$$

and (18) becomes

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0}{(3k_B T / 2) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}. \quad (19)$$

Recognizing that the average thermal energy is

$$W = \frac{3}{2} n k_B T = n \langle (E - E_C) \rangle,$$

we can express (19) as

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\langle (E - E_C) \tau_m \rangle}{\langle (E - E_C) \rangle}, \quad (20)$$

where the average of a quantity, $X(E)$ is over the equilibrium distribution function according to

$$\langle X \rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} X(E) f_0(E)}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0(E)}. \quad (21)$$

Equation (20) is valid for a 3D semiconductor with parabolic energy bands under non-degenerate conditions. It is Eq. (3.62) in *Fundamentals of Carrier Transport* (Lundstrom).

Case ii): 2D with parabolic energy bands

Assuming that v^2 is equally distributed between the three degrees of freedom,

$$v_x^2 = v_y^2 = \frac{v^2}{2}.$$

So (15) becomes

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} \frac{m^* v^2 \tau_m}{2} \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}, \quad (22)$$

and for parabolic energy bands, we use (17), so (22) becomes

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}. \quad (23)$$

Equation (23) is Eq. (7.76) in *Near-Equilibrium Transport* (Lundstrom and Jeong).

If we now assume non-degenerate conditions, then

$$\left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) = \frac{1}{k_B T} f_0,$$

and (23) becomes

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0}{(k_B T) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}. \quad (24)$$

Recognizing that the average thermal energy in 2D is

$$W = nk_B T = n \langle (E - E_C) \rangle,$$

we can express (24) as

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\langle (E - E_C) \tau_m \rangle}{\langle (E - E_C) \rangle}, \quad (25)$$

which is the same as (20).

Equation (25) is valid for a 2D semiconductor with parabolic energy bands under non-degenerate conditions.

Case iii): 1D with parabolic energy bands

In 1D,

$$v_x^2 = v^2$$

So (15) becomes

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} m^* v^2 \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}, \quad (26)$$

and for parabolic energy bands, we use (17), so (26) becomes

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E}\right)}{(1/2) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}. \quad (27)$$

Equation (27) is analogous to Eq. (7.76) in *Near-Equilibrium Transport* (Lundstrom and Jeong).

If we now assume non-degenerate conditions, then

$$\left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E}\right) = \frac{1}{k_B T} f_0,$$

and (27) becomes

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0}{(k_B T / 2) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}. \quad (28)$$

Recognizing that the average thermal energy in 1D is

$$W = n \frac{k_B T}{2} = n \langle(E - E_C)\rangle,$$

we can express (28) as

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\langle(E - E_C) \tau_m\rangle}{\langle(E - E_C)\rangle}, \quad (29)$$

which is the same as (20) and (25).

Equation (29) is valid for a 1D semiconductor with parabolic energy bands under non-degenerate conditions.

Summary:

The general expression for the average scattering time for a semiconductor with parabolic energy bands is

$$\boxed{\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E}\right)}{(d/2) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}}, \quad (30)$$

where $d = 1, 2,$ or 3 depending on the dimension. For a nondegenerate semiconductor we find (independent of dimension)

$$\boxed{\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\langle(E - E_C) \tau_m\rangle}{\langle(E - E_C)\rangle}}, \quad (31)$$

where the average is over the equilibrium distribution as defined in (21).

III. Exercises: Working out average scattering times

1) For power law scattering in 2D

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+2)}{\Gamma(2)},$$

where s is the characteristic exponent in the expression

$$\tau(E - E_C) = \tau_0 \left[(E - E_C) / k_B T \right]^s,$$

and nondegenerate conditions are assumed.

Prove this result.

Solution:

Begin with the definition of average momentum relaxation time:

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{(d/2) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0} = \langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\frac{\partial}{k_B T \partial \eta_F} \sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0}{\sum_{\vec{k}} f_0}$$

$$\langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle = \frac{\text{num}}{\text{denom}} \quad (\text{i})$$

Consider the numerator first. In 2D, we have:

$$\text{num} = \frac{1}{k_B T} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \tau_0 \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+1} f_0 2\pi k dk \quad (\text{ii})$$

Assuming parabolic energy bands:

$$k dk = g_V \frac{m^*}{\hbar^2} dE \quad (\text{iii})$$

so (ii) becomes

$$\text{num} = \tau_0 g_V \frac{m^*}{\pi \hbar^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+1} f_0 dE \quad (\text{iv})$$

Change variables to

$$\eta = \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right) \quad \eta_F = \left(\frac{E_F - E_C}{k_B T} \right) \quad (\text{v})$$

so

$$\text{num} = \tau_0 g_V \frac{m^* k_B T}{\pi \hbar^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_0^\infty \frac{\eta^{s+1}}{1 + e^{\eta - \eta_F}} d\eta \quad (\text{vi})$$

$$\text{num} = \tau_0 g_V \frac{m^* k_B T}{\pi \hbar^2} \Gamma(s+2) \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \mathcal{F}_{s+1}(\eta_F) \quad (\text{vii})$$

Now work on the denominator:

$$\text{denom} = \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty f_0 2\pi k dk$$

$$\text{denom} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty f_0 k dk$$

$$\text{denom} = g_V \frac{m^*}{\pi \hbar^2} \int_0^\infty f_0 dE$$

$$\text{denom} = g_V \frac{m^* k_B T}{\pi \hbar^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{d\eta}{1 + e^{\eta - \eta_F}}$$

$$\text{denom} = g_V \frac{m^* k_B T}{\pi \hbar^2} \Gamma(1) \mathcal{F}_0(\eta_F) \quad (\text{viii})$$

Using (viii) and (vii), we find

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \frac{\text{num}}{\text{denom}} = \frac{\tau_0 \Gamma(s+2) \mathcal{F}_s(\eta_F)}{\Gamma(1) \mathcal{F}_0(\eta_F)} \quad (\text{ix})$$

Assuming non-degenerate conditions, we find

$$\boxed{\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+2)}{\Gamma(1)} = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+2)}{\Gamma(2)}}.$$

2) Work out the corresponding result in 1D.

Solution:

The solution proceeds much as in problem 1).

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{(d/2) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0} = \frac{\frac{1}{k_B T} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0}{1/2 \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0} = \frac{\text{num}}{\text{denom}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{num} &= \frac{1}{k_B T} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0 \\
&= \frac{1}{k_B T} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (E - E_C) \tau_0 \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^s f_0 dk \\
&= 2\tau_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+1} f_0 dk
\end{aligned}$$

Assuming parabolic energy bands:

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2m^*(E - E_C)}}{\hbar} \quad dk = \frac{\sqrt{2m^*}}{2\hbar} (E - E_C)^{-1/2} dE$$

$$\text{num} = 2\tau_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_{E_C}^{\infty} \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+1} f_0 \frac{\sqrt{2m^*}}{2\hbar} (E - E_C)^{-1/2} dE$$

$$\text{num} = \tau_0 \frac{\sqrt{2m^*/k_B T}}{\hbar} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_{E_C}^{\infty} \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+1/2} f_0 dE$$

Change variables:

$$\text{num} = \tau_0 \frac{\sqrt{2m^* k_B T}}{\hbar} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_{E_C}^{\infty} \frac{\eta^{s+1/2}}{1 + e^{\eta - \eta_F}} d\eta$$

$$\text{num} = \tau_0 \frac{\sqrt{2m^* k_B T}}{\hbar} k_B T \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \Gamma(s + 3/2) \mathcal{F}_{s+1/2}(\eta_F)$$

$$\text{num} = \tau_0 \frac{\sqrt{2m^* k_B T}}{\hbar} k_B T \Gamma(s + 3/2) \mathcal{F}_{s-1/2}(\eta_F) \quad (\text{x})$$

$$\text{denom} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_0 dk$$

$$\text{denom} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0 = \int_0^{\infty} f_0 \frac{\sqrt{2m^*}}{2\hbar} (E - E_C)^{-1/2} dE$$

$$\text{denom} = \frac{\sqrt{2m^*}}{2\hbar} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(E - E_C)^{-1/2}}{1 + e^{(E - E_C)/k_B T}} dE$$

$$\text{denom} = \frac{\sqrt{2m^*/k_B T}}{2\hbar} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{-1/2}}{1 + e^{(E - E_C)/k_B T}} dE$$

$$\text{denom} = \frac{\sqrt{2m^*k_B T}}{2\hbar} \int_0^\infty \frac{\eta^{-1/2}}{1+e^{\eta-\eta_F}} d\eta$$

$$\text{denom} = \frac{\sqrt{2m^*k_B T}}{2\hbar} \Gamma(1/2) \mathcal{F}_{-1/2}(\eta_F) \quad (\text{xi})$$

Using (x) and (xi)

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \frac{\text{num}}{\text{denom}} = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+3/2) \mathcal{F}_{s-1/2}(\eta_F)}{(1/2)\Gamma(1/2) \mathcal{F}_{-1/2}(\eta_F)}$$

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \frac{\text{num}}{\text{denom}} = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+3/2) \mathcal{F}_{s-1/2}(\eta_F)}{\Gamma(3/2) \mathcal{F}_{-1/2}(\eta_F)} \quad (\text{xii})$$

For non-degenerate conditions power law scattering, and 1D,

$$\boxed{\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+3/2)}{\Gamma(3/2)}}.$$

3) Work out the corresponding result in 3D.

Solution:

The solution proceeds much as in problem 1) and 2).

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right)}{(d/2) \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0} = \frac{1}{k_B T} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0}{3/2 \sum_{\vec{k}} f_0} = \frac{\text{num}}{\text{denom}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{num} &= \frac{1}{k_B T} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \sum_{\vec{k}} (E - E_C) \tau_m f_0 \\ &= \frac{1}{k_B T} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_0^\infty (E - E_C) \tau_0 \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^s f_0 4\pi k^2 dk \\ &= 4\pi \tau_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_F} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{E - E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+1} f_0 k^2 dk \end{aligned}$$

Assuming parabolic energy bands:

$$k^2 = \frac{2m^*(E - E_C)}{\hbar^2} \quad dk = \frac{\sqrt{2m^*}}{2\hbar} (E - E_C)^{-1/2} dE \quad k^2 dk = \frac{(2m^*)^{3/2} (E - E_C)^{1/2}}{2\hbar^3} dE$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{num} &= 4\pi\tau_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial\eta_F} \int_{E_C}^{\infty} \left(\frac{E-E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+1} f_0 \frac{(2m^*)^{3/2} (E-E_C)^{1/2}}{2\hbar^3} dE \\ \text{num} &= \frac{2\pi\tau_0 (2m^*)^{3/2}}{\hbar^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial\eta_F} \int_{E_C}^{\infty} \left(\frac{E-E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+1} (E-E_C)^{1/2} f_0 dE \\ \text{num} &= \frac{2\pi\tau_0 (2m^*)^{3/2} \sqrt{k_B T}}{\hbar^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial\eta_F} \int_{E_C}^{\infty} \left(\frac{E-E_C}{k_B T} \right)^{s+3/2} f_0 dE \end{aligned}$$

Change variables:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{num} &= \frac{2\pi\tau_0 (2m^* k_B T)^{3/2}}{\hbar^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial\eta_F} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\eta^{s+3/2} d\eta}{1+e^{\eta-\eta_F}} \\ \text{num} &= \frac{2\pi\tau_0 (2m^* k_B T)^{3/2}}{\hbar^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial\eta_F} \Gamma(s+5/2) \mathcal{F}_{s+3/2}(\eta_F) \\ \text{num} &= \frac{2\pi\tau_0 (2m^* k_B T)^{3/2}}{\hbar^3} \Gamma(s+5/2) \mathcal{F}_{s+1/2}(\eta_F) \end{aligned} \tag{xiii}$$

Now the denominator:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{denom} &= \frac{3}{2} \sum_k f_0 = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^{\infty} f_0 4\pi k^2 dk \\ \text{denom} &= \frac{3}{2} \int_0^{\infty} f_0 4\pi k^2 dk = 3\pi \int_0^{\infty} f_0 \frac{(2m^*)^{3/2} (E-E_C)^{1/2}}{2\hbar^3} dE \\ \text{denom} &= \frac{3\pi (2m^*)^{3/2}}{2\hbar^3} \int_0^{\infty} f_0 (E-E_C)^{1/2} dE \\ \text{denom} &= \frac{3\pi (2m^* k_B T)^{3/2}}{2\hbar^3} \Gamma(3/2) \mathcal{F}_{1/2}(\eta_F) \end{aligned} \tag{xiv}$$

Using (xiii) and (xiv)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle &= \frac{\text{num}}{\text{denom}} = \tau_0 \frac{2\Gamma(s+5/2) \mathcal{F}_{s+1/2}(\eta_F)}{3\Gamma(3/2) \mathcal{F}_{1/2}(\eta_F)} = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+5/2) \mathcal{F}_{s+1/2}(\eta_F)}{(3/2)\Gamma(3/2) \mathcal{F}_{1/2}(\eta_F)} \\ \langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle &= \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+5/2) \mathcal{F}_{s+1/2}(\eta_F)}{\Gamma(5/2) \mathcal{F}_{1/2}(\eta_F)} \end{aligned} \tag{xv}$$

For non-degenerate conditions power law scattering, and 3D,

$$\boxed{\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+5/2)}{\Gamma(5/2)}}.$$

Summary of non-degenerate results:

For power law scattering, parabolic energy bands, and non-degenerate carrier statistics. the “transport average” momentum relaxation time in 1D, 2D, and 3D are:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} 1D: \langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle &= \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+3/2)}{\Gamma(3/2)} \\ 2D: \langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle &= \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+2)}{\Gamma(2)} \\ 3D: \langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle &= \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+5/2)}{\Gamma(5/2)} \end{aligned}}. \quad (32)$$

Knowing these times, we get the mobility from

$$\mu = \frac{q \langle\langle\tau_m\rangle\rangle}{m^*}$$

The analogous procedure in the Landauer approach is to relate the mobility to the mean-free-path according to

$$\mu = \frac{D_n}{k_B T / q} = \frac{v_T \langle\langle\lambda\rangle\rangle}{2 k_B T / q}$$

To compute $\langle\langle\lambda\rangle\rangle$, we assume power law scattering

$$\lambda(E) = \lambda_0 \left[(E - E_C) / k_B T \right]^r$$

where the characteristic exponent for the mfp is “r” rather than “s”. From the definition of the average mean-free-path

$$\langle\langle\lambda\rangle\rangle \equiv \frac{\int \lambda(E) M(E) \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) dE}{\int M(E) \left(-\frac{\partial f_0}{\partial E} \right) dE}$$

assuming parabolic bands and nondegenerate conditions, we could express $\langle\langle\lambda\rangle\rangle$ in terms of Gamma functions.

IV. Hall Factors

The definition of the Hall factor was given in (2) as

$$r_H = \frac{\langle\langle \tau_m^2 \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle^2}. \quad (33)$$

We have worked out the denominator in 1D, 2D, and 3D. For the numerator, we can recognize from (4) that τ_m^2 is also in power law form. From (4), we write

$$\tau_m (E - E_C)^2 = \tau_0^2 \left[(E - E_C) / k_B T \right]^{2s}, \quad (34)$$

so we can evaluate $\langle\langle \tau_m^2 \rangle\rangle$ by using the results for $\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle$ with $s \rightarrow 2s$.

Hall Factor in 1D: (non-degenerate)

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+3/2)}{\Gamma(3/2)}$$

$$\langle\langle \tau_m^2 \rangle\rangle = \tau_0^2 \frac{\Gamma(2s+3/2)}{\Gamma(3/2)}$$

$$r_H = \frac{\langle\langle \tau_m^2 \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle^2} = \frac{\tau_0^2 \frac{\Gamma(2s+3/2)}{\Gamma(3/2)}}{\left[\tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+3/2)}{\Gamma(3/2)} \right]^2} = \frac{\Gamma(2s+3/2)\Gamma(3/2)}{[\Gamma(s+3/2)]^2}$$

Hall Factor in 2D: (non-degenerate)

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+2)}{\Gamma(2)}$$

$$\langle\langle \tau_m^2 \rangle\rangle = \tau_0^2 \frac{\Gamma(2s+2)}{\Gamma(2)}$$

$$r_H = \frac{\langle\langle \tau_m^2 \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle^2} = \frac{\tau_0^2 \frac{\Gamma(2s+2)}{\Gamma(2)}}{\left[\tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+2)}{\Gamma(2)} \right]^2} = \frac{\Gamma(2s+2)\Gamma(2)}{[\Gamma(s+2)]^2}$$

Hall Factor in 3D: (non-degenerate)

$$\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle = \tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+5/2)}{\Gamma(5/2)}$$

$$\langle\langle \tau_m^2 \rangle\rangle = \tau_0^2 \frac{\Gamma(2s+5/2)}{\Gamma(5/2)}$$

$$r_H = \frac{\langle\langle \tau_m^2 \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \tau_m \rangle\rangle^2} = \frac{\tau_0^2 \frac{\Gamma(2s+5/2)}{\Gamma(5/2)}}{\left[\tau_0 \frac{\Gamma(s+5/2)}{\Gamma(5/2)} \right]^2} = \frac{\Gamma(2s+5/2)\Gamma(5/2)}{[\Gamma(s+5/2)]^2}$$

Summary of Hall factors: (non-degenerate)

$1D: r_H = \frac{\Gamma(2s+3/2)\Gamma(3/2)}{[\Gamma(s+3/2)]^2}$
$2D: r_H = \frac{\Gamma(2s+2)\Gamma(2)}{[\Gamma(s+2)]^2}$
$3D: r_H = \frac{\Gamma(2s+5/2)\Gamma(5/2)}{[\Gamma(s+5/2)]^2}$

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