

Study Guide for Final, v. 0.9

Note that topics from the midterm may still be covered, but the emphasis will be on later material:

Bloch's theorem, 2 proofs

Crystal momentum, bands, velocity, Fermi surface

Density of states, van Hove singularities

Nearly-free electron model

Gaps, behavior near a Bragg plane, role of structure factor

Extended, reduced, repeated zone schemes

Fermi surface and Brillouin zones

(Not spin-orbit coupling)

Tight-binding model

LCAO, overlap, overlap integral, general features

(Not Wannier functions)

Band structure

Muffin tin, OPW, pseudopotential; (Not APW, KKR)

Semiclassical electron dynamics

Equations of motion, consequences of model, holes

Response to electric field, uniform magnetic field

Closed orbitals, periods of extremal orbits, effective masses

Basics of relaxation time approximation; (Not pp. 252-9)

Landau levels, de Haas-van Alphen; Not "Other Fermi surface probes"

Band structure of typical metals, esp. simple metals, noble metals

Semiconductors

Gap, statistics, law of mass action, donor & acceptor levels

pn junction, rectification; Not detailed theory & non-equilibrium

Beyond independent electrons

Hartree, Hartree-Fock, Slater determinant, Slater exchange, exchange, correlation

Screening, Thomas-Fermi, Lindhard

Density functional theory, Kohn-Sham eqns., exchange-correlation potential, LDA, GGA

Pauli paramagnetism, rigid-band model (within Sommerfeld model), Stoner criterion

Heisenberg model, magnetic interactions in free electron gas

Spin waves/magnons, magnetic domains & their walls

Basic elements of superconductors: perfect diamagnets, coherence length, gap

Types of effective masses

Holes

Gaps

Dependencies on T , m , n , lattice structure, Bravais or not (i.e., basis)