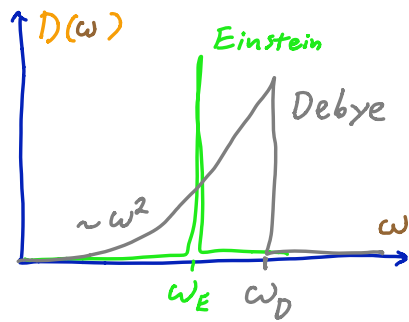


# Heat capacity of solids

$$U(\omega) = D(\omega) \cdot \hbar \omega \cdot \langle N \rangle(\omega)$$

$$U(T) = \int d\omega U(\omega)$$



Einstein model:  $D(\omega) = 3N \delta(\omega - \omega_E)$

$$C = \partial U / \partial T = 3N k_B \frac{(\hbar \omega_E / k_B T)^2 e^{\hbar \omega_E / k_B T}}{(e^{\hbar \omega_E / k_B T} - 1)^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} 3N k_B & (k_B T \gg \hbar \omega_E) \\ \sim e^{-\hbar \omega_E / k_B T} & (k_B T \ll \hbar \omega_E) \end{cases}$$

Debye Model:  $D(\omega) = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\omega^2}{\pi^2} \frac{1}{c^3} V$  up to  $\omega_D$

$$C \rightarrow \begin{cases} 3N k_B & (k_B T \gg \hbar \omega_E) \\ \sim T^3 & (k_B T \ll \hbar \omega_E) \end{cases}$$

Low T: excited modes:  $\hbar \omega < k_B T$   
 $U \sim N(\omega = k_B T / \hbar) \cdot \hbar \omega \sim T^4$   
 $C \sim T^3$

