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Carrier transport - Hands-on

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Linearized Boltzmann transport equation

$$\mu_{\alpha\beta}^d = \frac{-1}{V_{uc}n_c} \sum_n \int \frac{d^3k}{\Omega_{BZ}} v_{n\mathbf{k}}^\alpha \partial_{E_\beta} f_{n\mathbf{k}}$$

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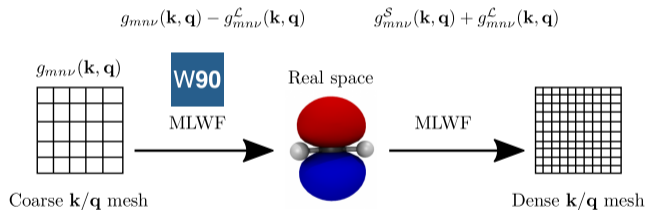
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int_mob = .false.  
carrier = .true.  
ncarrier = -1E13 ! cm-3
```

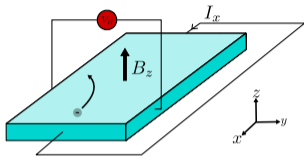
Long range electrostatics



```
polar = .true.
```

```
If quadrupole.fmt file  
present in running  
folder
```

Hall mobility



```
bfieldx = 0.0d0
bfielddy = 0.0d0
bfielddz = 1.0d-10 ! Tesla
```

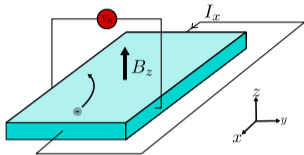
$$\mu_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{Hall}}(\hat{\mathbf{B}}) = \sum_{\gamma} \mu_{\alpha\gamma}^{\text{drift}} r_{\gamma\beta}(\hat{\mathbf{B}})$$

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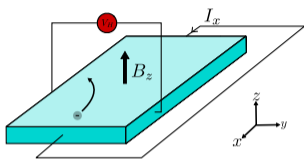
Mobility tensor without magnetic field			with magnetic field [cm ² /Vs]		
0.65309E+03	-0.73478E-15	0.47461E-15	-0.13733E-07	0.11856E-01	0.92830E-15
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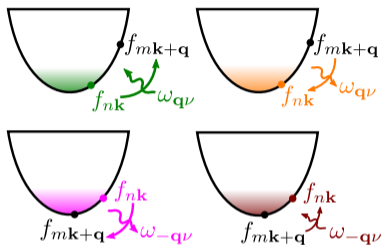
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-0.738128E+00	-0.854971E-06	0.296192E-12
0.102159E-12	-0.119933E-13	0.168802E-04

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Energy window



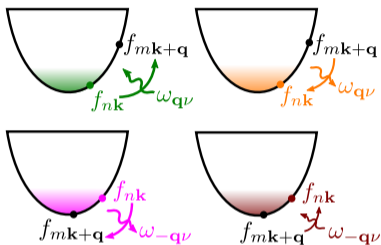
```
fsthick = 0.4 ! 0.3 eV
efermi_read = .true.
fermi_energy = 11.24
```

```
Valence band maximum = 11.14 eV
Temperature 300.000 K
Mobility VB Fermi level = 11.687812 eV
```

```
Fermi Surface thickness = 0.400000 eV
This is computed with respect to the fine Fermi level 11.24 eV
Only states between 10.84 eV and 11.64 eV will be included
```

$$\begin{aligned}
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Energy window + k-point symmetry



```
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```

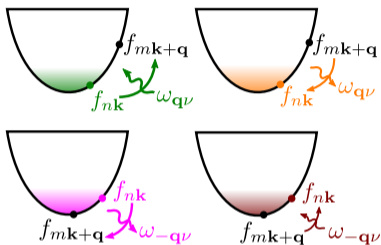
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Number of k-points inside fsthick * 1.2 in the full BZ: 4667
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selecqread = .true.
    
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Adaptive broadening

```
degaussw = 0.0
```

```
Progression iq (fine) =      1000/      17412  
Adaptative smearing = Min:      4.453489 meV  
                      Max:     103.289944 meV  
Progression iq (fine) =      2000/      17412  
Adaptative smearing = Min:      3.204561 meV  
                      Max:     102.790189 meV
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$$\eta_{m\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{q}\nu) = \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{12}} \sqrt{\sum_{\alpha} \left[\left(\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{q}\nu\nu} - \mathbf{v}_{n\mathbf{n}\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} \right) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{G}_{\alpha}}{N_{\alpha}} \right]^2}$$

where \mathbf{G}_{α} are the reciprocal lattice vectors, N_{α} the \mathbf{q} -point grid density. The phonon velocity $\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{q}\nu\nu}$ is obtained from

$$v_{\mathbf{q}\mu\nu\beta} = \frac{1}{2\omega_{\mathbf{q}\nu}} \frac{\partial D_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{q})}{\partial q_{\beta}} = \frac{1}{2\omega_{\mathbf{q}\nu}} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} iR_{\beta} e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{R}} D_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{R})$$

W. Li, J. Carrete, N. A. Katcho, and N. Mingo, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **185**, 1747 (2014)

X. Wang, J. R. Yates, I. Souza, and D. Vanderbilt, *Phys. Rev. B* **74**, 195118 (2006)

Electronic velocity

Obtained from the commutator:

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = (i/\hbar)[\hat{H}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}]$$
$$\mathbf{v}_{nm\mathbf{k}} = \langle \psi_{m\mathbf{k}} | \hat{\mathbf{p}}/m_e + (i/\hbar)[\hat{V}_{\text{NL}}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}] | \psi_{n\mathbf{k}} \rangle,$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{p}} = -i\hbar\partial/\partial\mathbf{r}$ is the momentum operator.

$P_{c\mathbf{r}\alpha}|\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}\rangle$ are the solution of the linear system:

$$[H - \varepsilon_{n\mathbf{k}}S]P_{c\mathbf{r}\alpha}|\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}\rangle = P_c^\dagger[H - \varepsilon_{n\mathbf{k}}S, r_\alpha]|\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}\rangle,$$

where S is the overlap matrix and P_c the projector over the empty states.

In the local approximation (neglecting \hat{V}_{NL}):

$$v_{mn\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'\alpha} \approx \langle \psi_{m\mathbf{k}'} | \hat{p}_\alpha | \psi_{n\mathbf{k}} \rangle = \delta(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}') \left(k_\alpha \delta_{mn} - i \int d\mathbf{r} u_{m\mathbf{k}'}^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla_\alpha u_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) \right)$$

J. Tóbiš and A. D. Corso, J. Chem. Phys. **120**, 9934 (2004)

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```
vme = 'dipole'
```

```
dmetadata.fmt
```

Electronic velocity

Wannier interpolated velocities:

$$v_{nm\mathbf{k}',\alpha} = \frac{1}{\hbar} H_{nm\mathbf{k}',\alpha} - \frac{i}{\hbar} (\varepsilon_{m\mathbf{k}'} - \varepsilon_{n\mathbf{k}'}) A_{mn\mathbf{k}',\alpha}$$

$$A_{mn\mathbf{k}',\alpha} = \sum_{m'n'} U_{mm'\mathbf{k}'}^\dagger A_{m'n'\mathbf{k}',\alpha}^{(W)} U_{n'n\mathbf{k}'}$$

$$A_{nm\mathbf{k},\alpha}^{(W)} = i \sum_{\mathbf{b}} w_b b_\alpha (\langle u_{n\mathbf{k}}^{(W)} | u_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{b}}^{(W)} \rangle - \delta_{nm}),$$

\mathbf{b} are the vectors connecting \mathbf{k} to its nearest neighbor and overlap matrices are:

$$\langle u_{n\mathbf{k}}^{(W)} | u_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{b}}^{(W)} \rangle = \sum_{n'm'} U_{mm'\mathbf{k}}^\dagger M_{mn\mathbf{k}} U_{nn'\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{b}}$$

$M_{mn\mathbf{k}} = \langle u_{n\mathbf{k}} | u_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{b}} \rangle$ is the phase relation between neighboring Bloch orbitals.

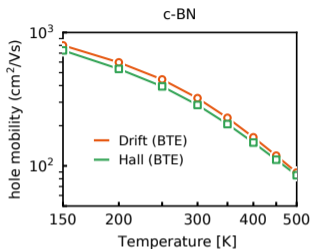
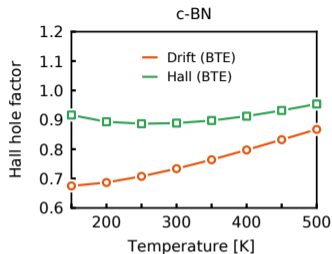
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```
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Temperature dependence



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nstemp = 10  
temps = 100 500
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BTE in the self-energy relaxation time approximation (SERTA)
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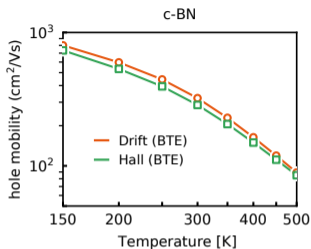
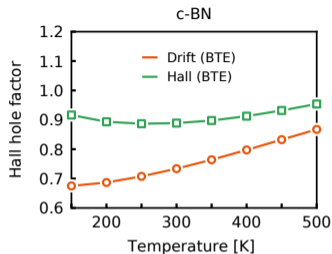
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```

Temp [K]	Fermi [eV]	Hole density [cm ⁻³]	Population SR [h per cell]	Hole mobility [cm ² /Vs]		
300.000	11.6878	0.999999E+13	0.33452E-22	0.575130E+03	0.118710E-15	-0.152676E-15
				0.267516E-15	0.575130E+03	-0.640294E-15
				0.134541E-14	-0.333160E-15	0.575130E+03

```
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```

Temperature dependence

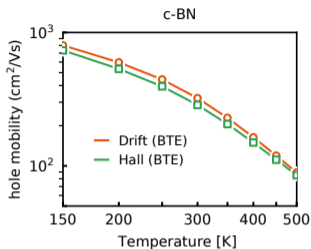
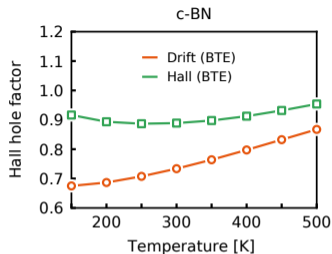


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nstep = 10  
temps = 100 500
```

Iteration number: 14

Temp [K]	Fermi [eV]	Hole density [cm ⁻³]	Population SR [h per cell]	Hole mobility [cm ² /Vs]		
300.000	11.6878	0.999999E+13	0.11254E-21	0.653089E+03	-0.926165E-15	0.275785E-15
				-0.734776E-15	0.653089E+03	0.800469E-16
				0.474613E-15	-0.474100E-15	0.653089E+03
				0.991642E-06	Max error	

Temperature dependence

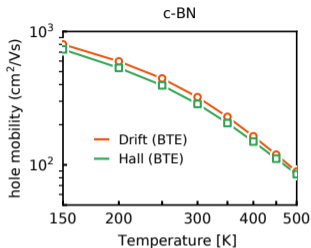
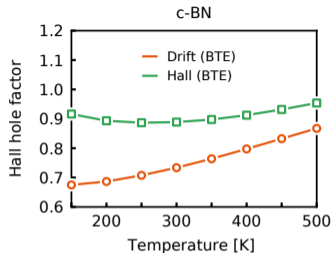


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nstep = 10  
temps = 100 500
```

```
Iteration number: 29
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Temp      Fermi    Hole density  Population SR      Hole mobility  
[K]       [eV]     [cm-3]      [h per cell]      [cm-2/Vs]  
-----  
300.000  11.6878  0.99999E+13  -0.41913E-21     0.653089E+03    -0.118563E-01    0.191673E-14  
                                0.118563E-01    0.653089E+03    -0.112593E-15  
                                0.140291E-14    0.428354E-14    0.653089E+03  
                                0.000000E+00    Max error
```

Temperature dependence



```
nstemp = 10  
temps = 100 500
```

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BTE in the self-energy relaxation time approximation (SERTA)
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```
Temperature: 300.0000 K
```

```
Conductivity tensor without magnetic field | with magnetic field [Siemens/m]
```

```
0.92145E-01 0.42861E-19 0.21556E-18 | -0.61929E-15 0.13909E-05 -0.20556E-18
```

```
0.19019E-19 0.92145E-01 -0.53378E-19 | -0.13909E-05 -0.63751E-15 0.27616E-18
```

```
-0.24461E-19 -0.10259E-18 0.92145E-01 | -0.26334E-18 -0.48242E-19 0.16393E-15
```

```
Mobility tensor without magnetic field | with magnetic field [cm^2/Vs]
```

```
0.57513E+03 0.26752E-15 0.13454E-14 | -0.38654E-11 0.86813E-02 -0.12830E-14
```

```
0.11871E-15 0.57513E+03 -0.33316E-15 | -0.86813E-02 -0.39790E-11 0.17237E-14
```

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-0.15268E-15 -0.64029E-15 0.57513E+03 | -0.16436E-14 -0.30111E-15 0.10232E-11
```

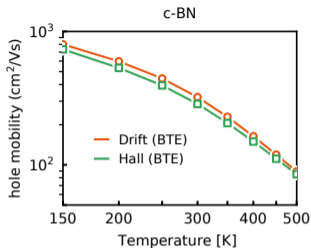
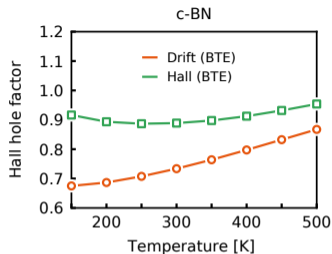
```
Hall factor
```

```
-0.310301E-09 0.696911E+00 -0.102997E-12
```

```
-0.696911E+00 -0.319427E-09 0.138373E-12
```

```
-0.131947E-12 -0.241719E-13 0.821385E-10
```

Temperature dependence



```
nstemp = 10  
temps = 100 500
```

```
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```

```
BTE
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```
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```

```
Temperature: 300.0000 K
```

```
Conductivity tensor without magnetic field | with magnetic field [Siemens/m]
```

```
0.10464E+00 -0.11772E-18 0.76041E-19 | -0.22003E-11 0.18996E-05 0.14873E-18
```

```
-0.14839E-18 0.10464E+00 -0.75959E-19 | -0.18996E-05 -0.22003E-11 0.76225E-18
```

```
0.44185E-19 0.12825E-19 0.10464E+00 | 0.26291E-18 -0.30864E-19 0.43441E-10
```

```
Mobility tensor without magnetic field | with magnetic field [cm2/Vs]
```

```
0.65309E+03 -0.73478E-15 0.47461E-15 | -0.13733E-07 0.11856E-01 0.92830E-15
```

```
-0.92617E-15 0.65309E+03 -0.47410E-15 | -0.11856E-01 -0.13733E-07 0.47576E-14
```

```
0.27579E-15 0.80047E-16 0.65309E+03 | 0.16409E-14 -0.19264E-15 0.27114E-06
```

```
Hall factor
```

```
-0.854978E-06 0.738128E+00 0.577927E-13
```

```
-0.738128E+00 -0.854971E-06 0.296192E-12
```

```
0.102159E-12 -0.119933E-13 0.168802E-04
```

Resistivity in metals - Ziman

Lowest-order variational approximation (LOVA) /
Ziman formula:

$$\rho(T) = \frac{4\pi m_e}{ne^2 k_B T} \int_0^\infty d\omega \hbar\omega \alpha_{\text{tr}}^2 F(\omega) n(\omega, T) [1+n(\omega, T)]$$

```
phonselken = .true.  
a2f = .true.  
nc = 4.0d0  
degaussq = 0.05 ! meV  
assume_metal = .true.  
ngaussw = -99 ! FD
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