

the polar axis  $p$ ) are introduced, as shown in Figure 6-12, the phonon contribution becomes

$$\Sigma^{\text{ph}}(p) = \frac{i}{(2\pi)^3 |\mathbf{p}|} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq_0 \int p' dp' \frac{1}{(p_0 + q_0)(1 + i\delta) - \epsilon_{p'}} \times \int q dq \{\bar{g}_q\}^2 D_l(-q) \quad (6-30)$$

For convenience we measure all energies with respect to the Fermi energy  $E_F$  so that  $\epsilon_{p_F} = 0$ . Since  $D$  decreases as  $1/q_0^2$  for large  $q_0$ , the dominant part of the integral comes from  $|q_0| \lesssim \omega_{av}$  [a typical phonon energy, i.e.,  $\simeq (m/M)^{1/2} E_F \simeq 10^{-2} E_F$ ]. We shall be interested in electron energies  $|p_0| \lesssim \omega_{av}$  so that the most important values of  $|\epsilon_{p'}|$  are also of order  $\omega_{av}$  or less. For this reason the  $p'$ -integral can be replaced by an integral over  $\epsilon_{p'}$  with the limits extending from  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$ . Thus,

$$\Sigma^{\text{ph}}(p) \cong \frac{im}{(2\pi)^3 p} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\epsilon_{p'} \frac{1}{(p_0 + q_0)(1 + i\delta) - \epsilon_{p'}} \times \int_0^{2k_F} q dq \{\bar{g}_q\}^2 D_l(q) \quad (6-31)$$

The limits on the  $q$  integral have been simplified by using the fact that only states with  $|p'| \simeq k_F$  contribute strongly to the

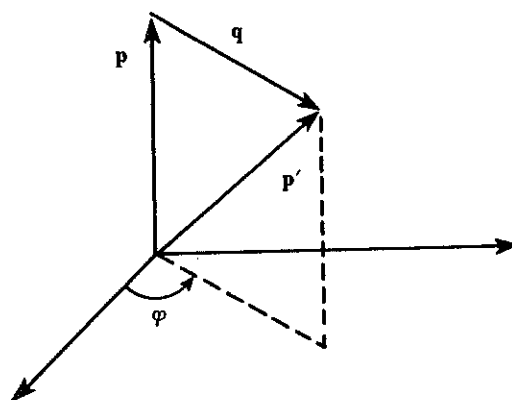


FIGURE 6-12 Coordinate system for carrying out the momentum integral in the expression for  $\Sigma^{\text{ph}}$ .

If we use the relation  $2|g_{ql}|^2/\Omega_{ql} = V(q)$ , which holds for jellium, we find the simple result

$$\Sigma(p) = i \int G_0(p+q) \mathcal{V}_c(q) \left[ \frac{q_0^2}{q_0^2 - \frac{\Omega_{ql}^2}{\kappa(q)} + i\delta} \right] \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \quad (6-29a)$$

or

$$\Sigma(p) = i \int G_0(p+q) \frac{V(q)}{1 + V(q)P(q) - \frac{\Omega_{ql}^2}{q_0^2} + i\delta} \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \quad (6-29b)$$

The denominator in (6-29b) is just the total dynamical dielectric constant of the system including electronic and ionic polarizabilities, since the ionic polarizability is given by the high-frequency

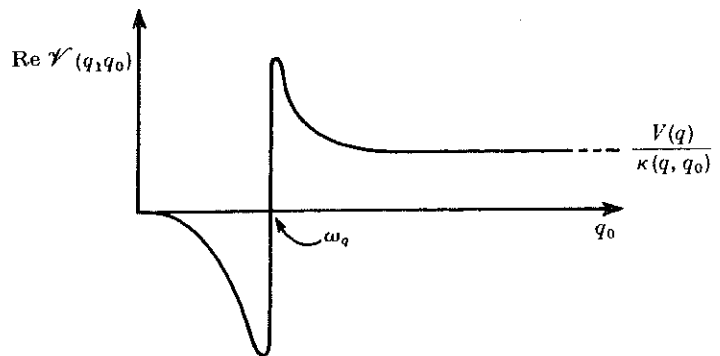


FIGURE 6-11 The real part of the effective interaction between electrons due to the screened Coulomb interaction and the exchange of a dressed phonon, plotted as a function of the energy transfer  $q_0$  for a fixed momentum transfer  $q$ . The plot is shown for the RPA treatment of the "jellium" model of a metal. The resonance occurs at the dressed phonon frequency  $\omega_q$ , illustrating the effect of ionic over-screening of the bare Coulomb interaction for  $q_0 < \omega_q$  and under-screening for  $q_0 > \omega_q$ . For high-frequency  $q_0 \gg \omega_q$ , the ions do not respond and  $\mathcal{V}(q, q_0)$  approaches the bare Coulomb interaction reduced by the electronic dielectric function  $\kappa(q, q_0)$ .

2.  $dk_0/dq \rightarrow \infty$  as  $q \rightarrow 2k_F$ . This fact leads to the result, first discussed by Kohn, Langer, and Vosko,<sup>109a,b</sup> that the asymptotic form of the screened Coulomb potential for large distance is not a Yukawa potential but rather the oscillatory function

$$\chi(r) \propto \frac{e^{-r}}{\cos(2k_F r + \phi)} \quad (6-9)$$

There is good experimental evidence to support this result.<sup>110</sup>

3.  $\kappa_0 \rightarrow 1$  as  $q \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus, screening is ineffective for very large momentum transfers.

For  $q_0 \neq 0$ , the imaginary part of  $\kappa$  is nonzero only when  $q_0$  and  $q$  are related so that the argument of the delta function in (6-5) can vanish for some  $|p| < p_F$  and  $|p + q| > p_F$ , that is to say,

$$q^2 - 2qk_F \leq 2m|q_0| \leq q^2 + 2qk_F \quad (6-10)$$

The situation is illustrated in Figure 6-3. For large frequency, i.e.,  $|q_0| \gg q^2 + (2qk_F/2m)$ , we have the familiar limiting form

$$\text{Re } \kappa_0(q, q_0) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \quad (6-11)$$

where  $\omega_p^2 = 4\pi n e^2/m$ . The two expressions (6-8) and (6-11) are useful limiting forms for making physical arguments.

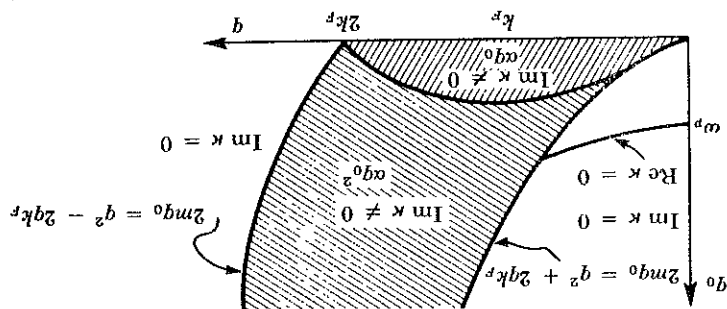


FIGURE 6-3 A plot showing the behavior of the imaginary part of the RPA dielectric function for general wave number  $q$  and frequency  $q_0$ .