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Temperature-Dependent Band Structure of LaAlO₃/SrTiO₃ Interfaces

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In recent years, the two dimensional electron gases (2DEG) that form at some oxide interfaces have attracted worldwide attention due to their fascinating properties such as conductivity, superconductivity, and magnetic order.

Here, we build a theoretical model for exploring the electronic properties of the 2DEG at LaAlO₃/SrTiO₃ interfaces considering the strong dependence of the dielectric constant of SrTiO₃ on temperature, electric field, and wave vector.

We model the SrTiO₃ dielectric properties using Landau-Ginzburg theory for the polarization.

By solving a set of self-consistent Hartree equations

for the charge density and lattice displacement, we obtain the band structure and charge density profile for the SrTiO₃ film at different temperatures and different doping.

We find that the charge density is less confined to the interface at low temperatures and low doping.

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