

Consider a di-atomic 1D crystal, i.e. a 1D crystal with a basis consisting of two atoms, with mass  $M$  and  $m$ . The spring constant is  $k$  for any bonding, and the lattice constant is  $a$ . In the 2<sup>nd</sup> diagram, an out-of-phase normal mode is suggested. What should be the relationship for  $u$  and  $v$ , for this to be a normal mode? What is the normal mode frequency? Plot the atomic displacements as a function of position, as a series of “spikes.” What is the wave vector of this normal mode?

