



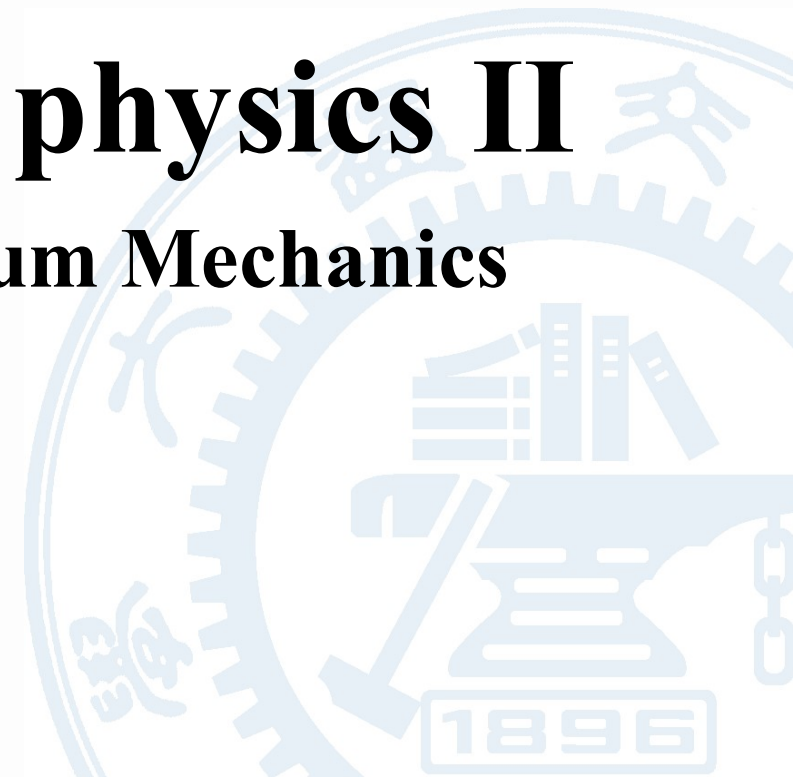
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# Lecture 4

## Semiconductor physics II

### Introduction to Quantum Mechanics





# What is Quantum Mechanics

- **Classical theoretical physics**
  - Newton's laws of motion.
  - The motion of large objects, such as planets and satellites.
- **Quantum mechanics (量子物理)**
  - **the behaviors of electrons (fermions费米子)**
  - the behaviors of high-frequency electromagnetic waves (bosons波色子)
- **Wave mechanics:** The formulation of quantum mechanics to describe behavior and characteristics of these electrons.
  - Schrodinger wave equation



# Principles of Quantum Mechanics



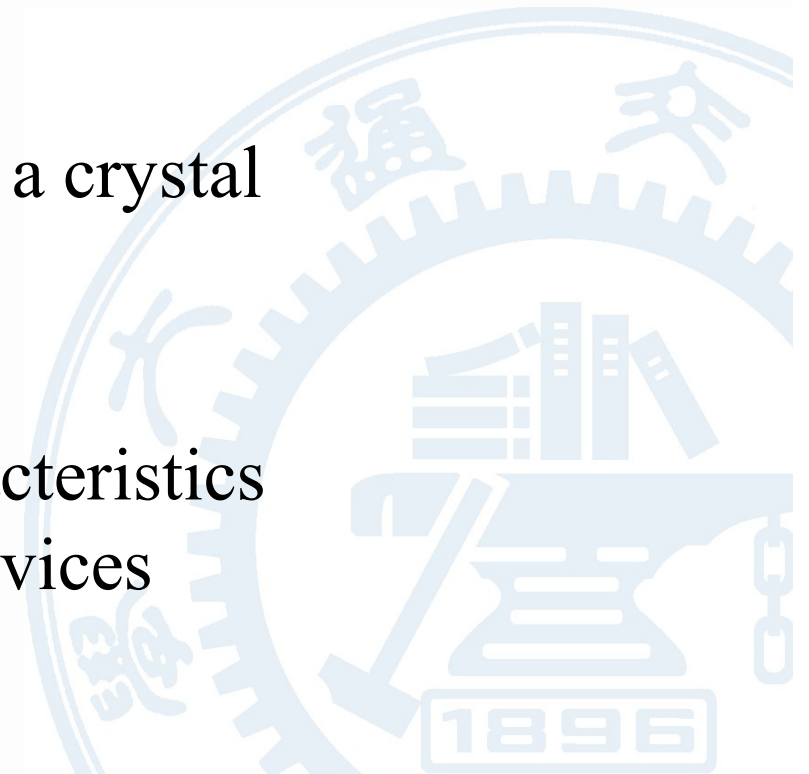
Schrodinger wave equation



The electron behavior in a crystal



The operation and characteristics  
of semiconductor devices





# Principles of Quantum Mechanics

- **The principle of energy quanta**  
(能量量子化)
- **The wave-particle duality principle**  
(波粒二象性)
- **The uncertainty principle**  
(不确定原理)



# Principle of energy quanta

Experiment of **photoelectric effect**

-To demonstrate the invalidation of the classical theoretical physics

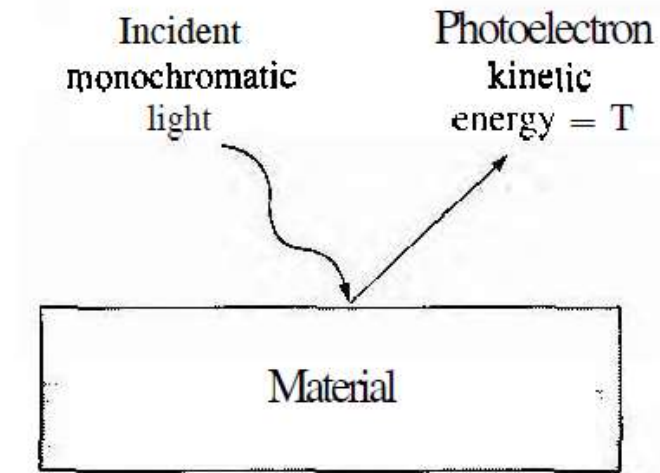


Fig The photoelectric effect

If monochromatic (单色) light is incident on a clean surface of a material, then **under certain conditions**, electrons (photoelectrons) are emitted from the surface.  
--- condition in classical theoretical physics: **intensity of the light independent of frequency.**



Maximum kinetic energy

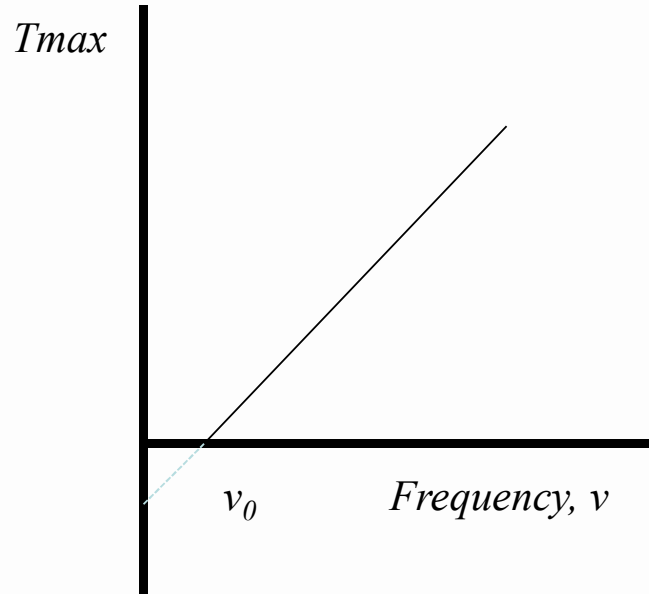


Fig The maximum kinetic energy (动能) of the photoelectron as a function of incident frequency.

If the incident intensity varies at a constant frequency, the rate of photoelectron emission (光电发射效率) changes, but the maximum kinetic energy remains the same.

## Quanta (量子)

- thermal radiation (热辐射) emitted from a heated surface in discrete packets of energy
- Postulated by Planck in 1900

The energy of these quanta

$$E = h\nu$$

$h$  is a constant known as Planck's constant ( $h = 6.625 \times 10^{-34} \text{J}\cdot\text{s}$ ).  
 $\nu$  is frequency of the radiation.



**Photon (光子)**— the particle-like packet of energy

In 1905. Einstein interpreted the photoelectric results :  
a light wave is also contained in discrete packets or bundles,  
whose energy is also given by  $E = h\nu$ .

A photon with sufficient energy, then, can knock an electron from  
the surface of the material.

The **work function (功函数)** of the material:

The minimum energy required to remove an electron from the  
surface, which is  $h\nu_0$ .

The maximum kinetic energy of the photoelectron

$$T_{\max} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = h\nu - h\nu_0 \quad (\nu \geq \nu_0)$$

where  $h\nu$  is the incident photon energy.

$h\nu_0$  is the minimum energy, or work function.



## Example:

To calculate the photon energy corresponding to a particular wavelength. Consider an x-ray with a wavelength of  $0.708 \times 10^{-8} \text{cm}$ . Calculate its photon energy.

## Solution:

$$E = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{(6.625 \times 10^{-34})(3 \times 10^{10})}{0.708 \times 10^{-8}} \quad c: \text{velocity of light}$$
$$= 2.81 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}$$

The reciprocal relation (互反关系) between photon energy and wavelength :

**A large energy corresponds to a short wavelength.**





# Wave-Particle Duality

- The existence of a wave-particle duality principle.

**De Broglie hypothesis:** since waves exhibit particle-like behavior, then particles should be expected to show wave-like properties. (subatomic particles (亚原子粒子) : electrons, protons (质子) , and neutrons (中子) )

- The **momentum** (动量) of a photon is:

$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda} \leftarrow \text{the wavelength of the light wave}$$

The **wavelength** of a particle is:

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

de Broglie wavelength of the matter wave



## Example:

To calculate the de Broglie wavelength of a particle.

Consider an electron traveling at a velocity of  $10^7$  cm/sec =  $10^5$  m/s

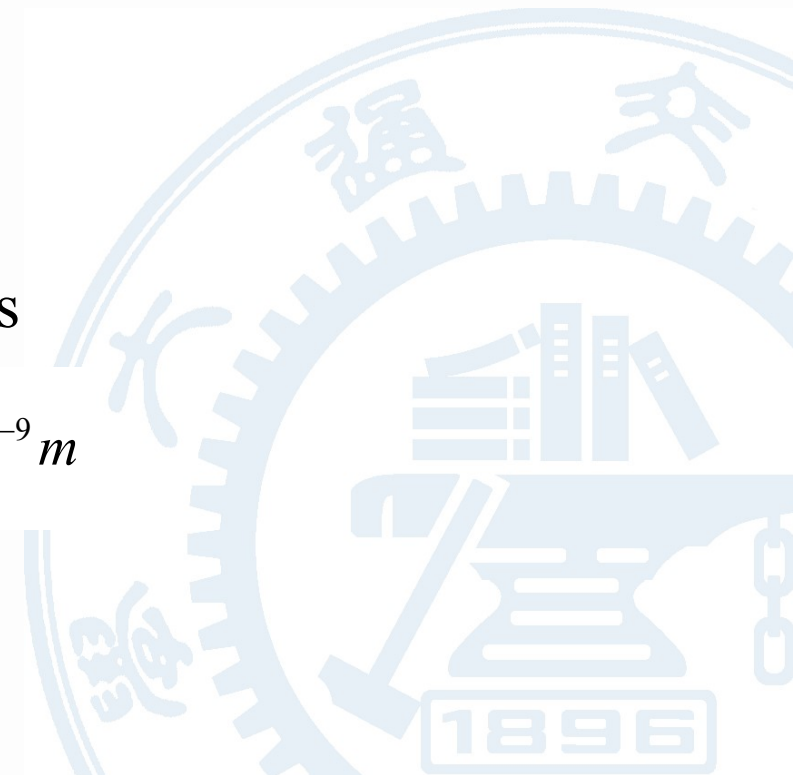
## Solution:

The momentum is given by

$$\begin{aligned} p &= mv = (9.11 \times 10^{-31})(10^5) \\ &= 9.11 \times 10^{-26} \end{aligned}$$

Then the de Broglie wavelength is

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{6.625 \times 10^{-34}}{9.11 \times 10^{-26}} = 7.27 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$





# The Uncertainty Principle

## □ The Heisenberg uncertainty principle

--- given in 1927.

--- we cannot describe with absolute accuracy the behavior of subatomic particles, including **position** and **momentum** and also **energy** and **time**.

## □ It is impossible to simultaneously describe with absolute accuracy the position and momentum of a particle.

$$\Delta p \Delta x \geq \hbar$$

the uncertainty in the momentum

the uncertainty in the position

a modified Planck's constant

$$\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi} = 1.054 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J-s}$$



It is impossible to simultaneously describe with absolute accuracy the energy of a particle and the instant of time the particle has this energy.

$$\Delta E \Delta t \geq \hbar$$

the uncertainty in energy      the uncertainty in time

- ◆ The simultaneous measurements of position and momentum and of energy and time are in error to a certain extent.
- ◆ We will develop a **probability density function** (概率密度函数) that will allow us to determine the probability that an electron has a particular energy.
- ◆ The uncertainty principle is only **significant for subatomic particles**.



## Schrodinger's Wave Equation

- Provided by Schrodinger, in 1926.
- Called **wave mechanics**, which incorporated **the principles of quanta** introduced by Planck, and **the wave-particle duality principle** introduced by de Broglie.
- The motion of electrons in a crystal can be described by wave

The one-dimensional, **nonrelativistic** (非相对论) Schrodinger's wave equation

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \Psi(x,t) = j\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t}$$

the mass of the particle

the potential function assumed to be independent of time

the wave function



Using the technique of **separation of variables** (分离变量法)

$$\Psi(x, t) = \psi(x)\phi(t)$$

a function of the position

a function of time

Substituting this form of the solution into Schrodinger's wave equation:

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \phi(t) \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \psi(x) \phi(t) = j\hbar \psi(x) \frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t}$$

Dividing it by the total wave function

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{\psi(x)} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + V(x) = j\hbar \frac{1}{\phi(t)} \frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t}$$

**(nonrelativistic)** =>

**a function of position = a function of time = constant**



## □ The time-dependent portion

a separation constant  $\eta = j\hbar \frac{1}{\phi(t)} \frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t}$

The solution  $\phi(t) = e^{-j(\eta/\hbar)t}$  ---a sinusoidal wave

$\eta / \hbar$  is the **radian frequency** (角频率)

We have  $E = h\nu$  or  $E = h\omega / 2\pi$

Then  $\omega = \frac{\eta}{\hbar} = E / \hbar$

**The separation constant is equal to the total energy  $E$  of the particle**

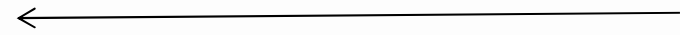


## □ The time-independent portion

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{\psi(x)} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + V(x) = E$$



$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V(x)) \psi(x) = 0$$



This time-independent Schrodinger's wave equation can also be justified on the basis of the classical wave equation.

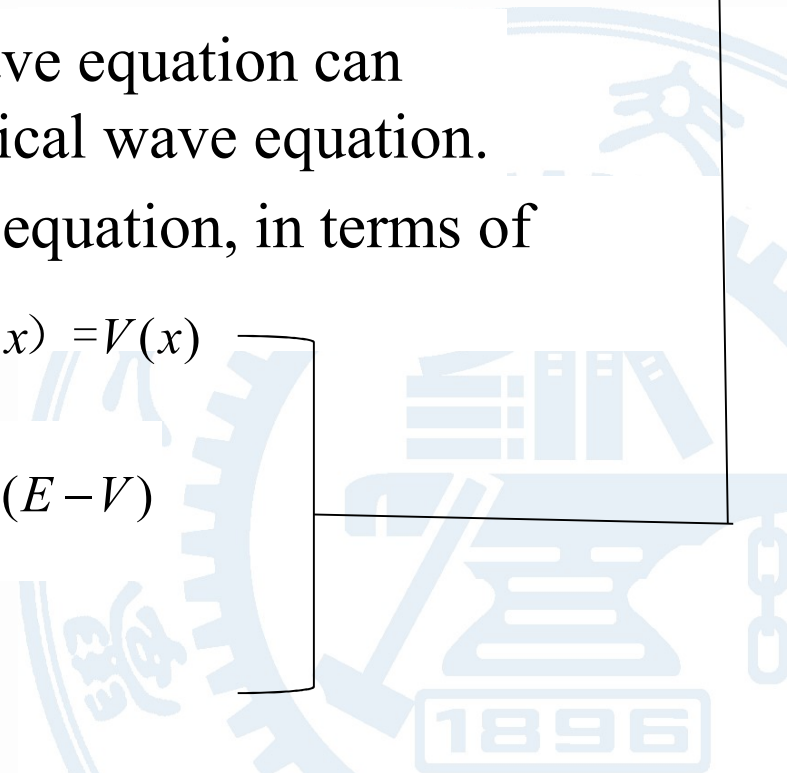
□ The time-independent classical wave equation, in terms of voltage,

$$\frac{\partial^2 V(x)}{\partial x^2} + \left(\frac{\omega^2}{v_p^2}\right)V(x) = 0 \quad \text{let } \psi(x) = V(x)$$

From the wave-particle duality principle

$$\frac{\omega^2}{v_p^2} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^2 = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{p^2}{2m}\right) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V)$$

$$\frac{p^2}{2m} = T = E - V$$







## Physical Meaning of the Wave Function

--- to use the wave function to describe the behavior of an electron in a crystal

the wave function  $\Psi(x, t) = \psi(x)\phi(t) = \psi(x)e^{-j(E/\hbar)t}$

$|\Psi(x, t)|^2 dx$  a **probability density function**, or the probability of finding the particle between  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta x + dx$  at a given time

$\Psi(x, t)\Psi^*(x, t) = \psi(x)\psi^*(x) = |\psi(x)|^2$  **independent of time**

---in agreement with the Heisenberg uncertainty principle

### Comparisons:

In classical mechanics, the position of a particle can be determined precisely.  
In quantum mechanics, the position of a particle is found in terms of a probability independent of time.



## Boundary Conditions

- Since  $|\Psi(x,t)|^2$  represents the probability density function

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(x)|^2 dx = 1$$

- The wave function and its first derivative must have the following properties if the total energy  $E$  and the potential  $V(x)$  are finite everywhere.

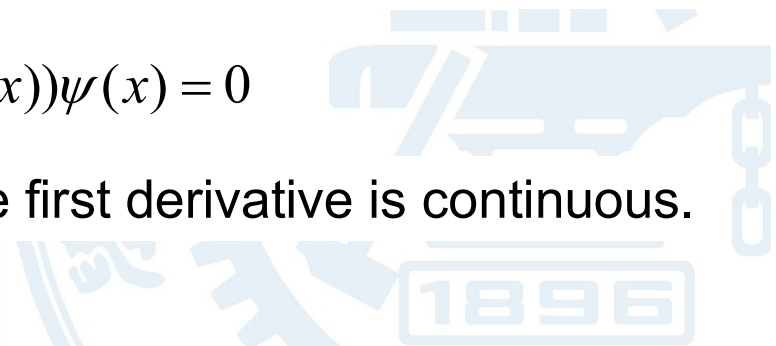
**Condition 1.  $\Psi(x)$  must be finite, single valued and continuous.**

If  $\Psi(x)$  were infinite, the probability of finding the particle at some point would be certain. – violate the uncertainty principle.

**Condition 2.  $\frac{\partial \psi(x)}{\partial x}$  must be finite, single-valued, and continuous.**

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V(x))\psi(x) = 0$$

The second derivative is finite, so the first derivative is continuous.





# Application of Schrodinger's Wave Equation

## □ Electron in Free Space

- ✓ Consider the motion of an electron in free space.
- ✓ There is no force acting on the particle, then the potential function  $V(x)$  will be constant. Assume  $V(x)=0$ .
- ✓ Then the time-independent wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi(x) = 0$$

Its solution  $\psi(x) = A \exp\left[\frac{jx\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}\right] + B \exp\left[\frac{-jx\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}\right]$

a traveling wave in the  $+x$  direction

a traveling wave in the  $-x$  direction



✓ Recall that the time-dependent portion  $\psi(t) = e^{-j(\eta/h)t}$

Then the total solution for the wave function

$$\Psi(x, t) = A \exp\left[\frac{j}{\hbar}(x\sqrt{2mE} - Et)\right] + B \exp\left[\frac{-j}{\hbar}(x\sqrt{2mE} + Et)\right]$$

□ Assume, there is the +x traveling wave, which is

$$\Psi(x, t) = A \exp[j(kx - \omega t)] \quad \text{---- Travelling wave (行波)}$$

The wave number  $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$

the wavelength  $\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mE}}$

**The probability density function is a constant  $AA^*$ .**

**A free particle with a well-defined momentum can be found anywhere with equal probability.**

**⇒ a precise momentum implies an undefined position.**

**⇒ in agreement with the Heisenberg uncertainty principle**



## □ The Infinite Potential Well (无限深势阱)

The problem of a particle in the infinite potential well is a classic example of a **bound particle**.

The particle is assumed to exist in region II.

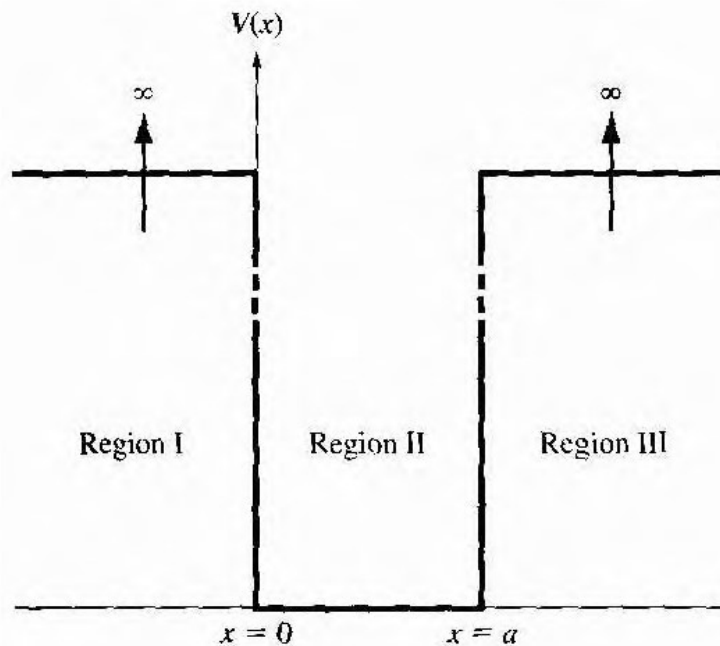


Fig Potential function of the infinite potential well.

The time-independent Schrodinger's wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V(x)) \psi(x) = 0$$

Assume  $V=0$  in region II

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi(x) = 0$$

Its solution

$$\psi(x) = A_1 \cos Kx + A_2 \sin Kx$$

$$K = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$



The wave function must be zero in both regions I and region III since the probability of finding the particle in regions I and region III is zero.

=> One boundary condition is that the wave function must be continuous

$$\psi(x=0) = \psi(x=a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A_1 = 0 \text{ and } K = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

$$\text{Since } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x)\psi^*(x)dx = 1$$

$$\int_0^a A_2^2 \sin^2 Kx dx = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad A_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}}$$

Finally, the time-independent wave solution is

$$\psi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \text{ when } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad \text{----standing wave (驻波)}$$

**The electron in the infinite potential well is a standing wave solution**



Comparison:

- **The free electron is represented by a traveling wave.**
- **The bound particle is represented by a standing wave.**

Equating the two expressions for  $K$ , we obtain

$$k_n^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{a^2}$$

The total energy can then be written as

$$E = E_n = \frac{\hbar^2 n^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2}$$

For the particle in the infinite potential well, the wave function is

$$\psi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin Kx \quad K = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

- **the energy of the particle is quantized.**
- **contrary to results from classical physics**, which would allow the particle to have continuous energy values.



## Example

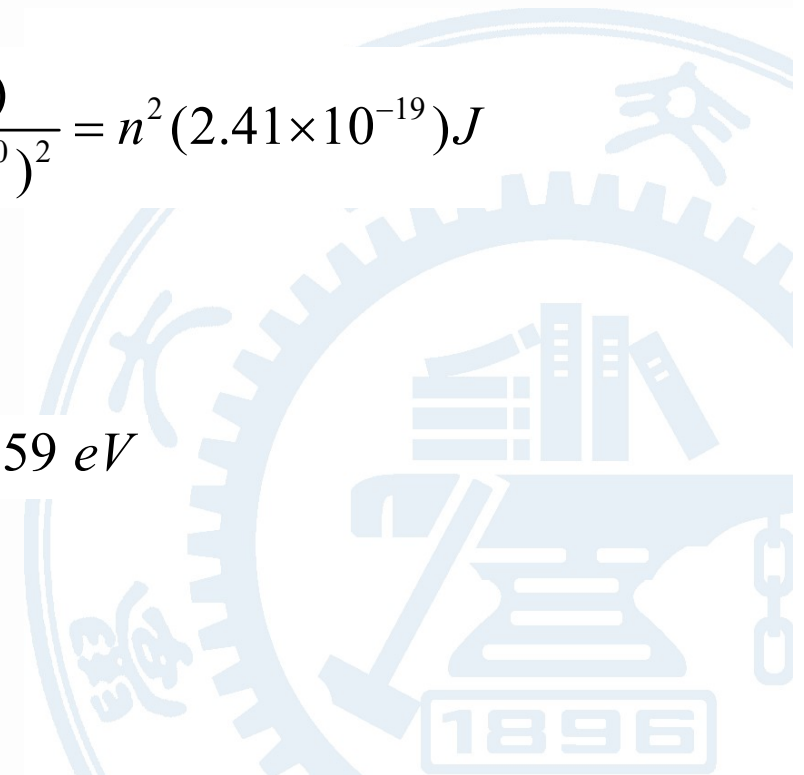
Consider an electron in an infinite potential well of width 5 Å.  
To calculate the first three energy levels of an electron in an infinite potential well.

Solution:

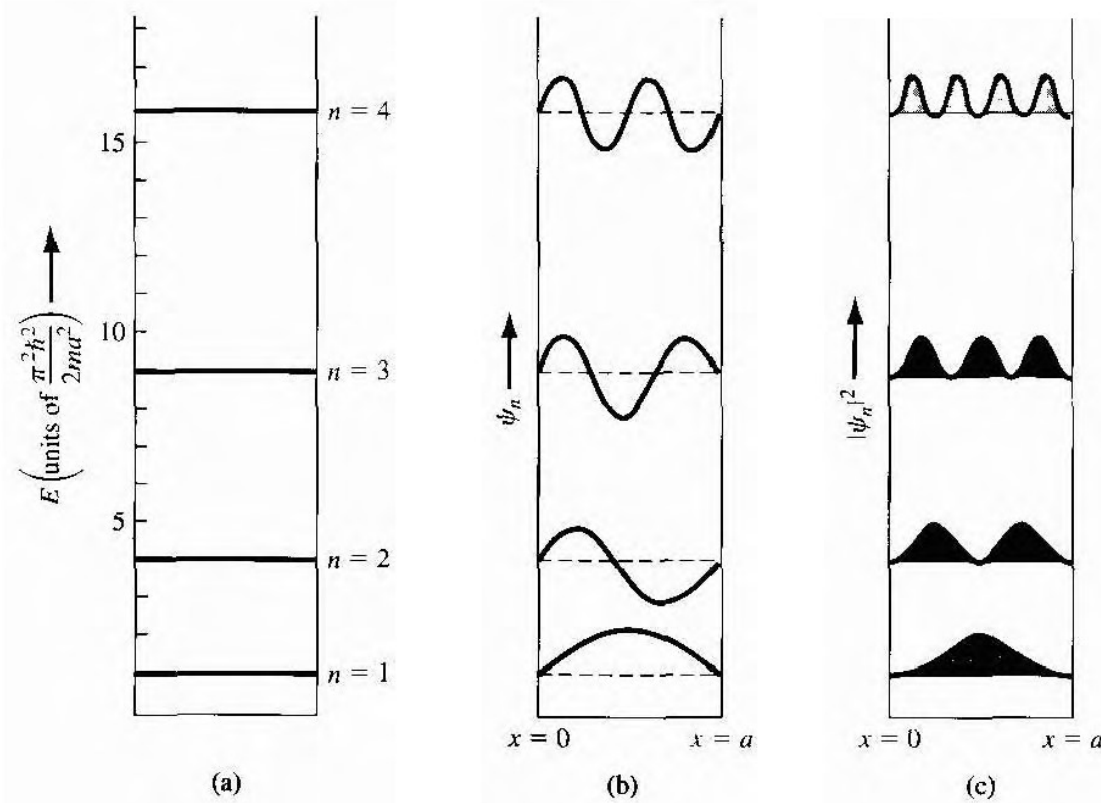
$$E_n = \frac{\hbar^2 n^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2} = \frac{n^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2 \pi^2}{(2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(5 \times 10^{-10})^2)} = n^2 (2.41 \times 10^{-19}) J$$

$$E_n = \frac{n^2 (2.41 \times 10^{-19})}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = n^2 (1.51) eV$$

$$E_1 = 1.51 eV \quad E_2 = 6.04 eV \quad E_3 = 13.59 eV$$





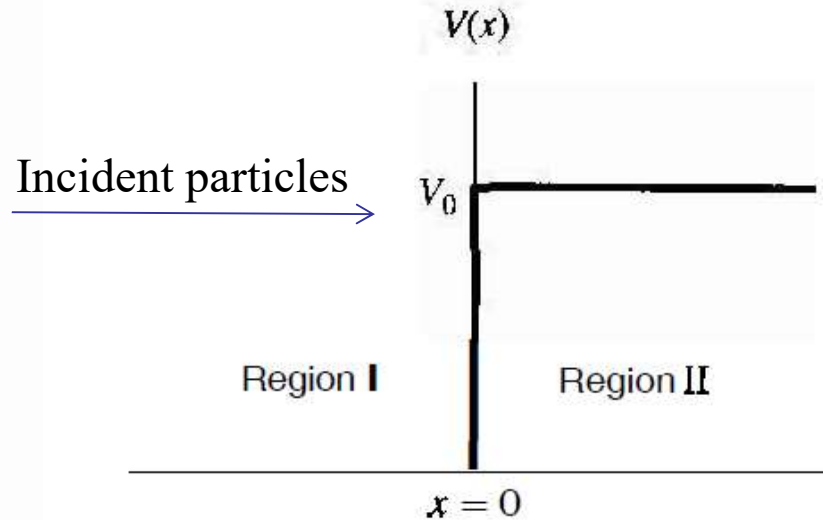


**As the energy increases, the probability of finding the particle at any given value of  $x$  becomes more uniform.**

Fig Particle in an infinite potential well:  
(a) Four lowest discrete energy levels.  
(b) Corresponding wave functions.  
(c) Corresponding probability functions



## □ The Step Potential Function (阶跃势函数)



- A flux of particles is incident on the potential barrier.
- The total energy of the particle is less than the barrier height, or  $E < V_0$ .
- The wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V(x)) \psi(x) = 0$$

In region I,  $V = 0$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi_1(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \psi_1(x) = 0$$

$$\psi_1(x) = A_1 e^{jK_1 x} + B_1 e^{-jK_1 x} \quad (x \leq 0) \quad K_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$

the **incident** and **reflected** particles are represented by **traveling waves**

$A_1 A_1^*$  is the probability density function of the incident particles

$v_i A_1 A_1^*$  the flux of incident particles;  $v_r B_1 B_1^*$  the flux of reflected particles

$v_i$  is the velocity of the incident wave, and  $v_r$  is the velocity of reflected wave.



In region II, the potential is  $V = V_0$  Since  $E < V_0$ ,

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi_2(x)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (V_0 - E) \psi_2(x) = 0$$

$$\psi_2(x) = A_2 e^{-K_2 x} + B_2 e^{+K_2 x} \quad (x \geq 0) \quad K_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(V_0 - E)}{\hbar^2}}$$

- One boundary condition: **the wave function must remain finite**

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_2(x) = A_2 e^{-K_2 x} \quad (x \geq 0)$$

- The second boundary condition: **The wave function at  $x = 0$  must be continuous**  $\Rightarrow \psi_1(0) = \psi_2(0) \Rightarrow A_1 + B_1 = A_2$

- The third boundary condition: **the first derivative of the wave function must also be continuous**

$$\Rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial \psi_1(x)}{\partial x} \right|_{x=0} = \left. \frac{\partial \psi_2(x)}{\partial x} \right|_{x=0}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{-(K_2^2 + 2jK_1K_2 - K_1^2)A_1}{(K_2^2 + K_1^2)} \quad A_2 = \frac{2K_1(K_1 - jK_2)A_1}{(K_2^2 + K_1^2)}$$



The reflected probability density function

$$B_1 \bullet B_1^* = \frac{(K_2^2 - K_1^2 + 2jK_1K_2)(K_2^2 - K_1^2 - 2jK_1K_2)A_1 \bullet A_1^*}{(K_2^2 + K_1^2)^2}$$

## Reflection coefficient

$$R = \frac{v_r \bullet B_1 \bullet B_1^*}{v_1 \bullet A_1 \bullet A_1^*} \quad \text{the ratio of the reflected flux to the incident flux}$$

In region I,  $V = 0$  so that  $E = T$  (the kinetic energy of the particle)

$$T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \Rightarrow K_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{1}{2}mv^2\right)} = \sqrt{m^2 \frac{v^2}{\hbar^2}} = \frac{mv}{\hbar}$$

=> The incident velocity and the reflected velocity

$$v_i = \frac{\hbar}{m} \bullet K_1 = v_r = \frac{\hbar}{m} \bullet K_1$$

The reflection coefficient is 
$$R = \frac{v_r \bullet B_1 \bullet B_1^*}{v_1 \bullet A_1 \bullet A_1^*} = \frac{B_1 \bullet B_1^*}{A_1 \bullet A_1^*} = 1$$



- In Region I, the result of  $R=1$  implies that all of the particles incident on the potential barrier for  $E < V$ , are eventually reflected. --- consistent with classical physics

- In region II,  $\psi_2(x) = A_2 e^{-K_2 x}$

For the case of  $E < V_0$ , the coefficient  $A_2$  is not zero.

⇒ There is a finite probability that the incident particle will penetrate the potential barrier and exist in region II.

--- difference between classical and quantum mechanics

Although there is a finite probability that the particle may penetrate the barrier, since the reflection coefficient in region I is unity, the particle in region II must eventually turn around and move back into region I.



### Example:

Consider an incident electron that is traveling at a velocity of  $1 \times 10^5$  m/s in region I. To calculate the penetration depth of a particle impinging on a potential barrier  $V_0 = 2E$ .

### Solution

With  $V(x) = 0$ , the total energy is also equal to the kinetic energy

$$E = T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = 4.56 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J} = 2.85 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

The wave function:  $\psi_2(x) = A_2 e^{-K_2 x}$       $K_2 = \sqrt{2m(V_0 - E) / \hbar^2}$

We want to determine the distance  $x = d$  at which the wave function magnitude has decayed to  $e^{-1}$  of its value at  $x = 0$ .

$$1 = d \sqrt{\frac{2m(2E - E)}{\hbar^2}} = d \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$

The distance

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar^2}{2mE}} = \frac{1.054 \times 10^{-34}}{\sqrt{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.65 \times 10^{-21})}} = 11.6 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$



## □ The Potential Barrier

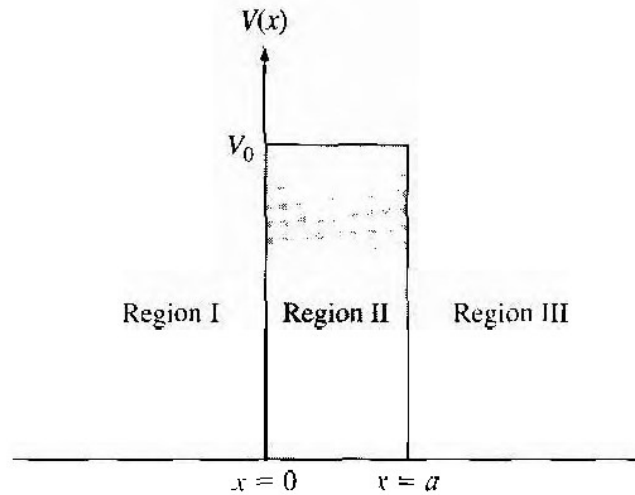


Fig The potential barrier function

- A flux of incident particles originating on the negative  $x$  axis travel in the  $+x$  direction.
- The total energy of an incident particle is  $E < V_0$

The solutions of the wave equation in regions I, II, and III are

$$\psi_1(x) = A_1 e^{jK_1 x} + B_1 e^{-jK_1 x}$$

$$\psi_2(x) = A_2 e^{jK_2 x} + B_2 e^{-jK_2 x}$$

$$\psi_3(x) = A_3 e^{jK_1 x} + B_3 e^{-jK_1 x}$$

$$K_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$
$$K_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(V_0 - E)}{\hbar^2}}$$



➤ The coefficient  $B_3$  presents a negative traveling wave in region III. However, once a particle gets into region III, there are no potential changes to cause a reflection.  $\Rightarrow B_3 = 0$

➤ We have four boundary relations for the boundaries at  $x = 0$  and  $x = a$  corresponding to the wave function and its first derivative being continuous.

$\Rightarrow$  We can solve for the four coefficients  $B_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $B_2$ , and  $A_3$  in terms of  $A_1$

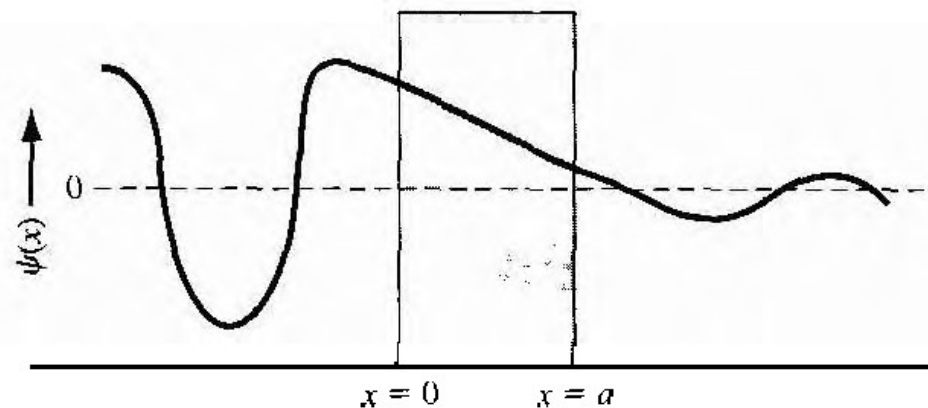


Fig The wave functions through the potential barrier.





The **transmission coefficient**, in this case defined as the ratio of the transmitted flux in region III to the incident flux in region I

$$T = \frac{v_t \cdot A_3 \cdot A_3^*}{v_i \cdot A_1 \cdot A_1^*} = \frac{A_3 \cdot A_3^*}{A_1 \cdot A_1^*}$$

$v_t$ : velocity of transmitted particle;  $v_i$ : velocity of incident particle.

For the special case when  $E \ll V_0$ , we find that

$$T \approx 16 \left( \frac{E}{V_0} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{E}{V_0} \right) \exp(-2K_2 a)$$

**There is a finite probability that a particle impinging a potential barrier will penetrate the barrier and will appear in region III.**

--- **tunneling phenomenon (隧穿效应)** contradicts classical mechanics

The application of this quantum mechanical tunneling phenomenon: semiconductor device characteristics, such as in the **tunnel diode**



### Example:

Consider an electron with energy of 2eV impinging on a potential barrier with  $V_0 = 20$  eV and a width of 3 Å.

To calculate the probability of an electron tunneling through a potential barrier.

### Solution:

The tunneling probability

$$K_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(V_0 - E)}{\hbar^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(20 - 2)(1.6 \times 10^{-19})}{(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}}$$

The transmission coefficient

$$\begin{aligned} T &\approx 16\left(\frac{E}{V_0}\right)\left(1 - \frac{E}{V_0}\right)\exp(-2K_2a) \\ &= 16(0.1)(1 - 0.1)\exp[-2(2.17 \times 10^{10})(3 \times 10^{-10})] = 3.17 \times 10^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

**The tunneling probability may appear to be a small value, but it is not zero. If a large number of particles impinge on a potential barrier, a significant number can penetrate the barrier.**



# Extensions of the Wave Theory to Atoms

## The One-Electron Atom

Bohr theory: In the atom, the nucleus is a heavy, positively charged proton (质子) surrounded by electrons which are light, negatively charged particles.

The potential function due to the coulomb attraction between the proton and electron and is

$$V(r) = \frac{-e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

spherically symmetric → a three dimensional problem in spherical coordinates.

$e$  is the magnitude of the electronic charge  
 $\epsilon_0$  is the permittivity of free space



The time-independent Schrodinger's wave equation in three dimensional spherical coordinates is

$$\nabla^2 \psi(r, \theta, \phi) + \frac{2m_0}{\hbar^2} (E - V(r)) \psi(r, \theta, \phi) = 0$$

$m_0$  is the rest mass of the electron.

Laplace operator in spherical coordinates can be written as

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{2m_0}{\hbar^2} (E - V(r)) \psi = 0$$

By the separation-of-variables technique

$$\psi(r, \theta, \phi) = R(r) \cdot \Theta(\theta) \cdot \Phi(\phi)$$



$$\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{R} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial R}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{\Phi} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\sin \theta}{\Theta} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial \theta} \right) + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \frac{2m_0}{\hbar^2} (E - V) = 0$$

Since the second term is a function of  $\varphi$  only

$$\frac{1}{\Phi} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial \phi^2} = -m^2$$

$m$  is a separation of variables constant

$$\Phi = e^{jm\phi} \quad m=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$$

We can define two additional separation-of-variables constants  $l$  and  $n$  for variable  $\theta$  and  $r$ ,

$n, l$ , and  $m$  are known as **quantum numbers**

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ l &= n-1, n-2, n-3, \dots, 0 \\ |m| &= l, l-1, \dots, 0 \end{aligned}$$

Each set of quantum number corresponds to a quantum state which the electron may occupy.



The electron energy is written in the form

$$E_n = \frac{-m_0 e^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 2\hbar^2 n^2}$$

$n$  is the principal quantum number.

- The negative energy indicates that the electron is bound to the nucleus.
- The energy of the bound electron is quantized.
- If the energy were to become positive, then the electron would no longer be a bound particle and the total energy would no longer be quantized.





The solution of the wave equation may be designated by  $\psi_{nlm}$

For the lowest energy state,  $n = 1$ ,  $l = 0$ , and  $m = 0$ , the wave function is

$$\psi_{100} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} e^{-r/a_0}$$

This function is spherically symmetric, and the parameter  $a_0$  is **Bohr radius (波尔半径)**.

$$a_0 = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2}{m_0e^2} = 0.529 \text{ \AA}$$

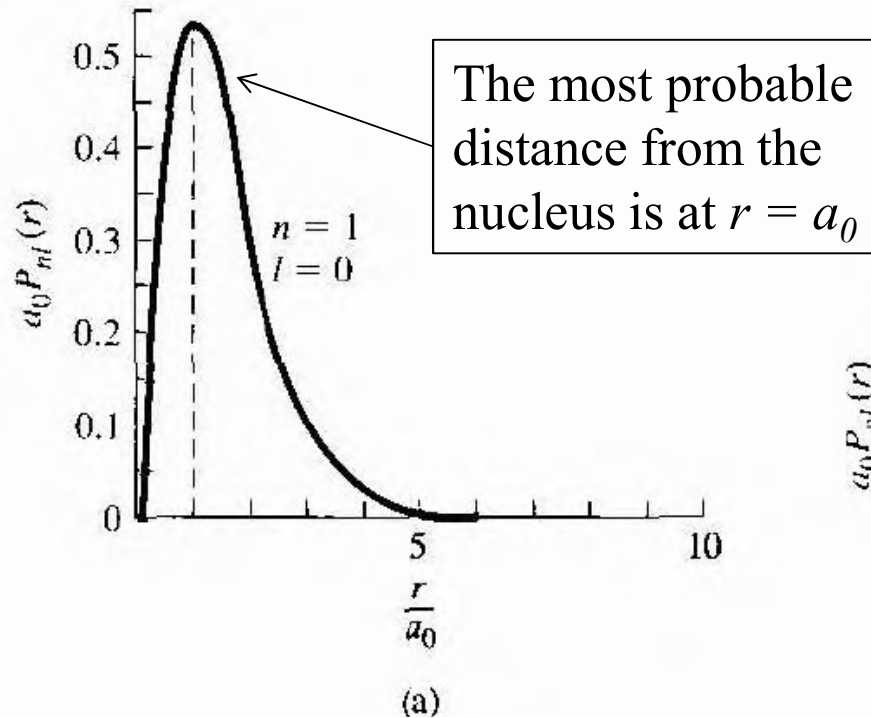
**The radial probability density function (径向概率密度函数)**

— the probability of finding the electron at a particular distance from the nucleus,

— proportional to the product  $\psi_{100}\psi_{100}^*$



## Electron cloud or energy shell



The second energy shell is at a greater radius from the nucleus than the first energy shell.

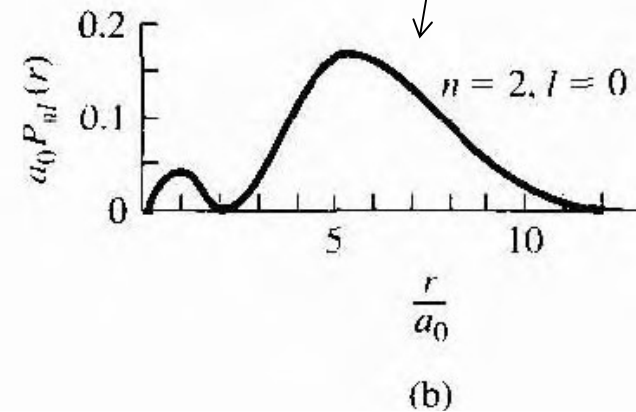


Fig The radial probability density function for the one-electron atom in the (a) lowest energy state ( $n=1, l=0, m=0$ ) (b) next-higher energy state ( $n=2, l=0, m=0$ )

For the case of  $n = 2$  and  $l = 1$ . there are three possible states corresponding to the three allowed values of the quantum number  $m$  ( $m=1, -1, 0$ ). The wave functions are no longer spherically symmetric.





## □ The Periodic Table

Schrodinger's wave equation + Two concepts

- **Electron spin (电子自旋)**

---The electron has an intrinsic angular momentum, or spin, which is quantized and may take on one of two possible values  $S=+1/2$  and  $S=-1/2$ .

**Four basic quantum numbers:**  $n, l, m, s$ .

- **Pauli exclusion principle**

--- In any given system (an atom, molecule, or crystal), no two electrons may occupy the same quantum state.

--- In an atom, no two electrons may have the same set of quantum numbers.

Table Initial portion of periodic table

Element	Notation	$n$	$l$	$m$	$s$
Hydrogen (1)	$1s^1$	1	0	0	$+\frac{1}{2}$ or $-\frac{1}{2}$
Helium (2)	$1s^2$	1	0	0	$+\frac{1}{2}$ and $-\frac{1}{2}$
Lithium (3)	$1s^2 2s^1$	2	0	0	$+\frac{1}{2}$ or $-\frac{1}{2}$
Beryllium (4)	$1s^2 2s^2$	2	0	0	$+\frac{1}{2}$ and $-\frac{1}{2}$
Boron (5)	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^1$	2	1		$m = 0, -1, +1$ $s = +\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}$
Carbon (6)	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$	2	1		
Nitrogen (7)	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^3$	2	1		
Oxygen (8)	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^4$	2	1		
Fluorine (9)	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^5$	2	1		
Neon (10)	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$	2	1		

$1s$  represents the first energy shell,  $n=1$ ,  $l=0$ ,  $m=0$ ,  $s=+1/2, -1/2$ , two electrons.

$2s2p$  represents the second energy shell,

$$n=2, \quad l=0, \quad m=0, \quad s=+1/2, -1/2,$$

$$n=2, \quad l=1, \quad m=0, +1, -1, \quad s=+1/2, -1/2,$$

can accommodate eight electrons.

**The energy shell is determined by the main quantum number  $n$ , and can**

**accommodate**  $\sum_{l=0}^{n-1} 2(2l+1) = 2n^2$  **electrons.**

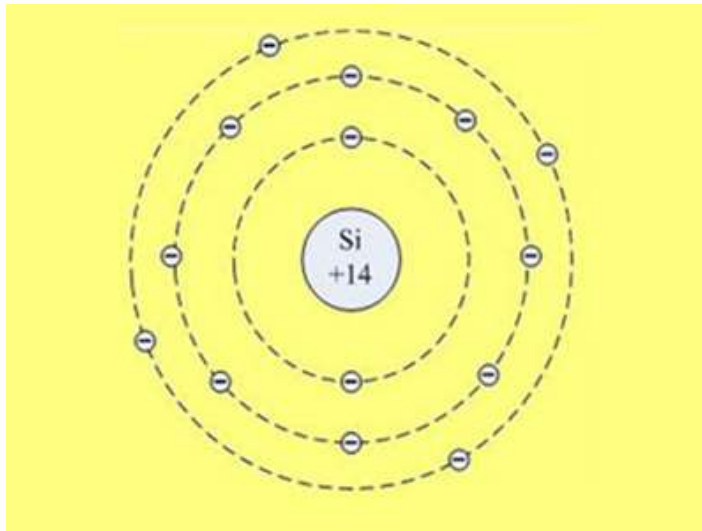


Fig 2D structure of Si atom

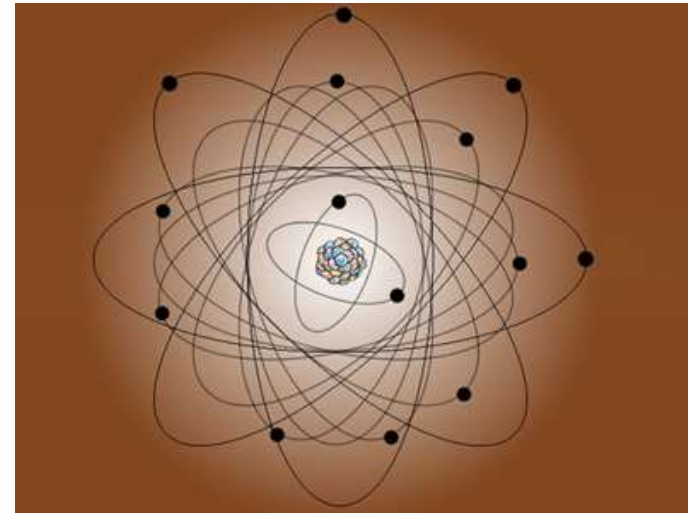
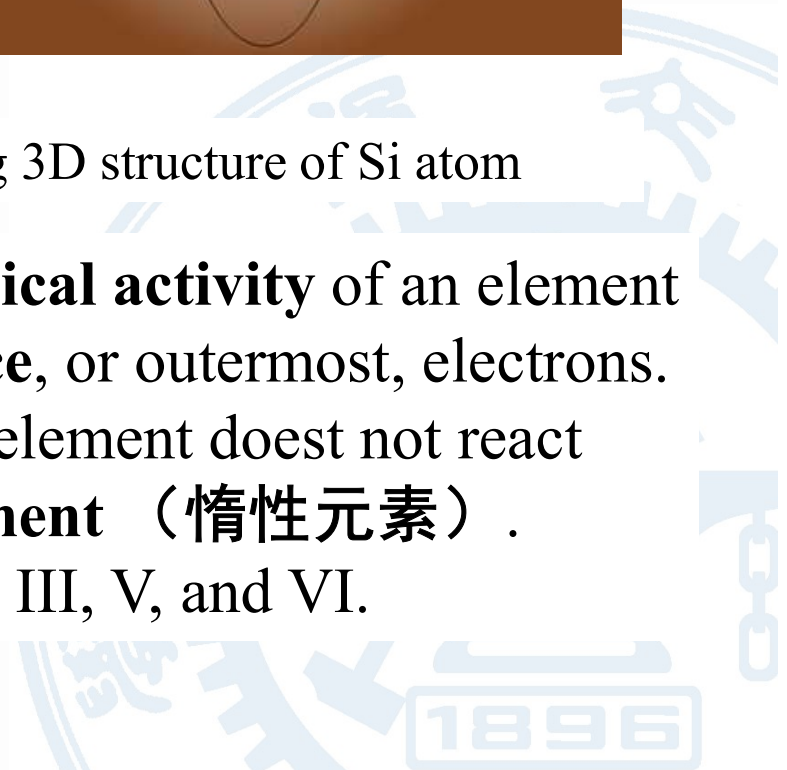


Fig 3D structure of Si atom

- ✓ The inner shells are full and the **chemical activity** of an element is **determined primarily by the valence**, or outermost, electrons.
- ✓ If all of the energy shells are full, the element does not react with other elements and is an **inert element** (惰性元素) .
- ✓ Semiconductor elements are in Group III, V, and VI.





# Homework3

**A one-dimensional infinite potential well with a width of  $12 \text{ \AA}$  contains an electron.**

- (a) Calculate the first two energy levels that the electron may occupy.**
- (b) If an electron drops from the second energy level to the first, what is the wavelength of a photon that might be emitted?**



# Summary

- ✓ The basic concepts of quantum mechanics can be used to describe the behavior of electrons under various potential functions.
- ✓ The wave-particle duality principle : Particles can have wave-like behavior and waves can have particle-like behavior.
- ✓ Schrodinger's wave equation forms the basis for describing and predicting the behavior of electrons.
- ✓ applying Schrodinger's wave equation to a bound particle : energy of the bound particle is quantized.
- ✓ applying Schrodinger's wave equation to an electron incident on a potential barrier: there is a finite probability of tunneling.
- ✓ applying Schrodinger's wave equation to the one-electron : the periodic table.