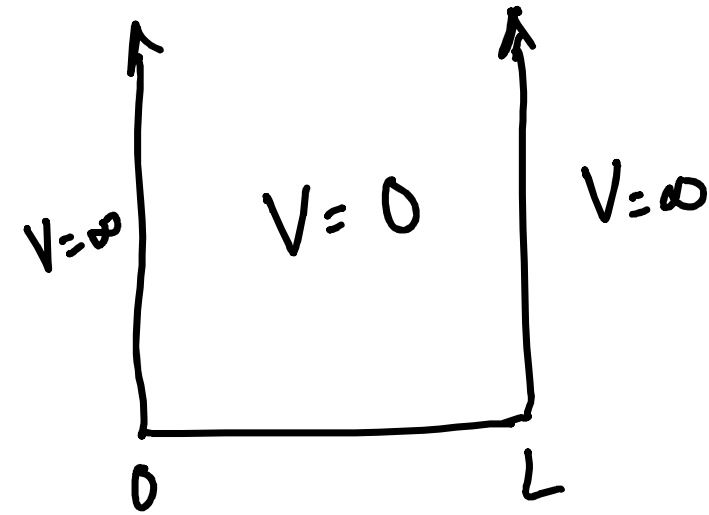


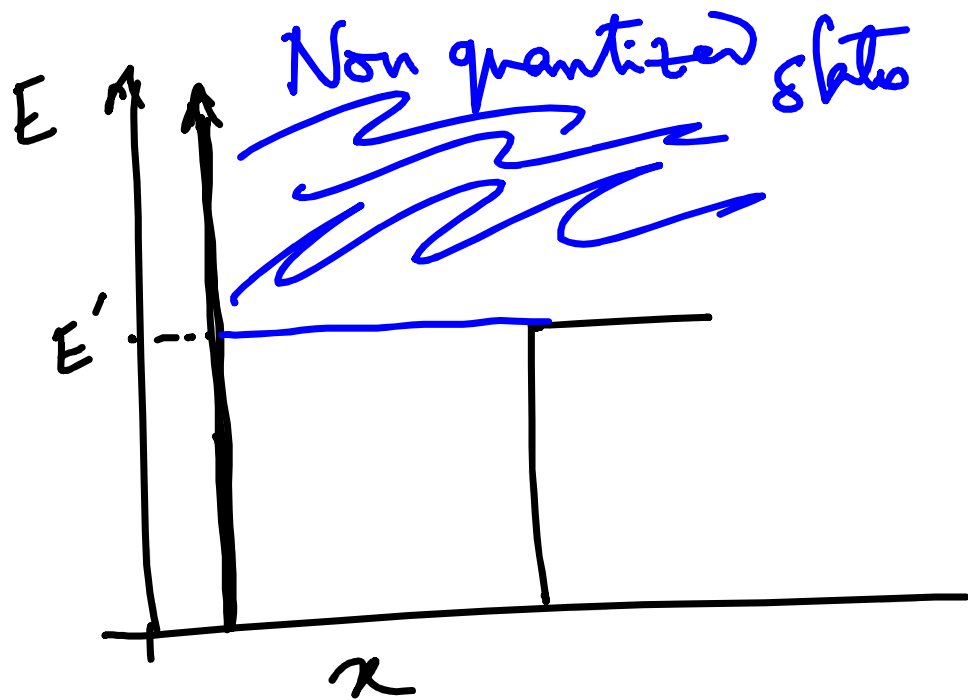
Particle in 2D & 3D box



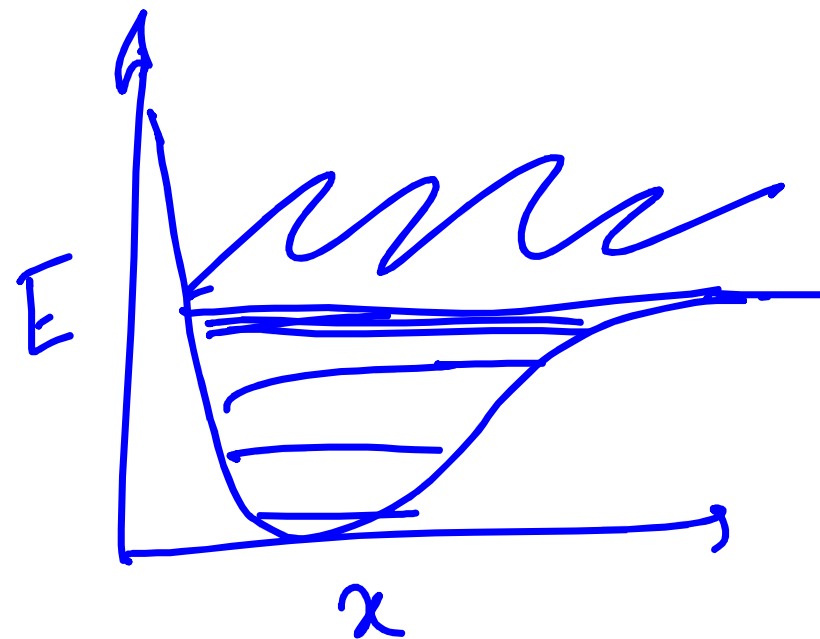
Particle in "1D" box

QM Recipe

- Solve Schrödinger Eqn. as follows:
- Define V (system dependent)
- Define boundary condition
- \hat{H} operator
- Find particular soln.



∴ Tunneling

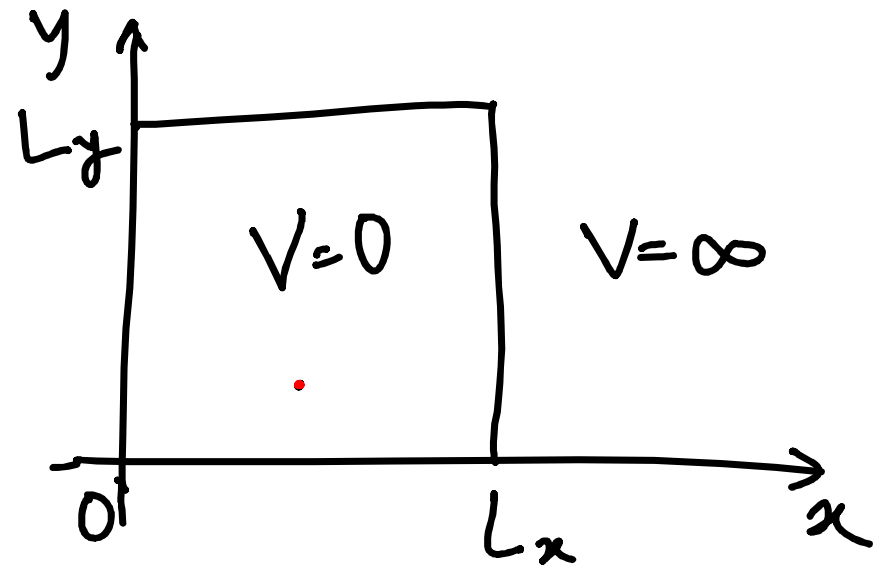


Scanning Tunneling
Microscopy

Metal

2D box.

$$V(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < x < L_x \\ & \text{and } 0 < y < L_y \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$$\psi \equiv \psi(x,y)$$

Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \underbrace{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}}_{\psi(x,y)} + V$$

$$\hat{H} \Psi(x, y) = E \Psi(x, y)$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} = E \Psi(x, y)$$

Boundary conditions
for all $y \rightarrow \Psi(0, y) = \Psi(L_x, y) = 0$

for all $x \rightarrow \Psi(x, 0) = \Psi(x, L_y) = 0$

Separation of variables $\Psi(x, y) = X(x) \cdot Y(y)$

$$\underbrace{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{X(x)} \frac{d^2 X}{dx^2}}_{E_x} - \underbrace{\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{Y(y)} \frac{d^2 Y}{dy^2}}_{E_y} = E$$

$$E_x + E_y = E$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{X(x)} \frac{d^2 X}{dx^2} = E_x \quad \& \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{Y(y)} \frac{d^2 Y}{dy^2} = E_y$$

$$X(0) = X(L_x) = 0$$

$$Y(0) = Y(L_y) = 0$$

$$X(x) = A_x \sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{L_x}, \quad n_x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$Y(y) = A_y \sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{L_y}, \quad n_y = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$E_x = \frac{n_x^2 h^2}{8m L_x^2} \quad \& \quad E_y = \frac{n_y^2 h^2}{8m L_y^2}$$

$$E = E_x + E_y = \left(\frac{n_x^2}{L_x^2} + \frac{n_y^2}{L_y^2} \right) \frac{h^2}{8m}, \quad n_x = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \quad n_y = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\psi(x, y) = \underbrace{A_x A_y}_A \sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{L_x} \cdot \sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{L_y}$$

$$\int_0^{L_x} \int_0^{L_y} dx dy A^2 \sin^2 \frac{n_x \pi x}{L_x} \cdot \sin^2 \frac{n_y \pi y}{L_y} = 1$$

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_x}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_y}}$$

$$\psi(x, y) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_x}} \sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{L_x} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_y}} \sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{L_y}$$

$$P(x \in (a_1, a_2), y \in (b_1, b_2)) = \frac{2}{L_x} \frac{2}{L_y} \int_{a_1}^{a_2} dx \cdot \sin^2 \frac{n_x \pi x}{L_x} \cdot \int_{b_1}^{b_2} dy \cdot \sin^2 \frac{n_y \pi y}{L_y}$$

E_{11} → Lowest energy (Ground state)

(n_x, n_y) → wave fⁿ.

or state of the system

$$\frac{\psi_{12} \quad \Delta \quad \psi_{21}}{L_x = L_y = L}$$

square box

$$E_{12} = E_{21} = \frac{5h^2}{8mL^2}$$

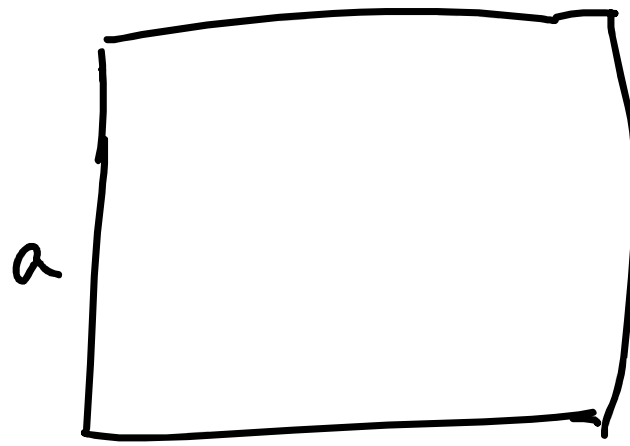
"Degenerate States" \longleftrightarrow "non-degenerate"

$\left. \begin{matrix} \psi \\ \vdots \end{matrix} \right\} E$

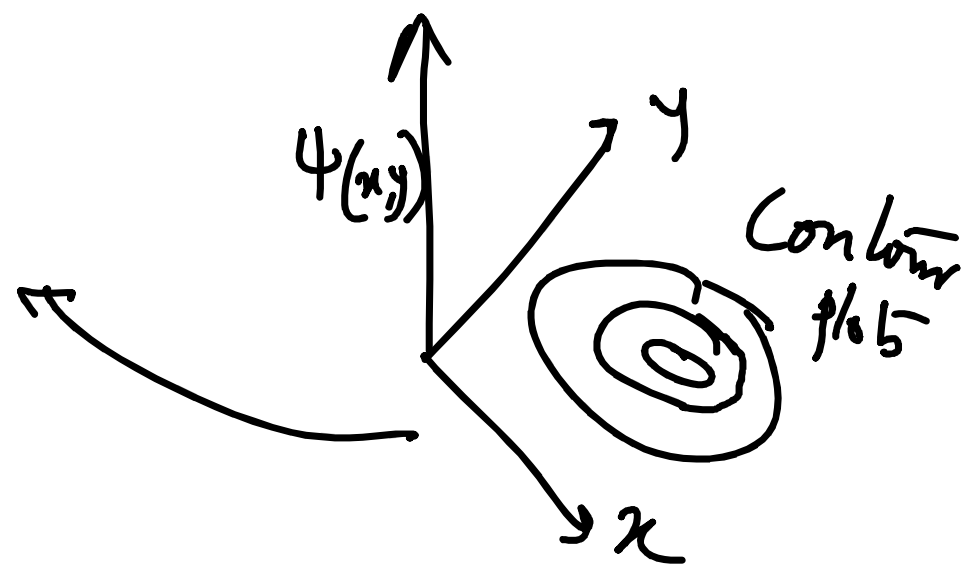
$E \longleftrightarrow \psi$

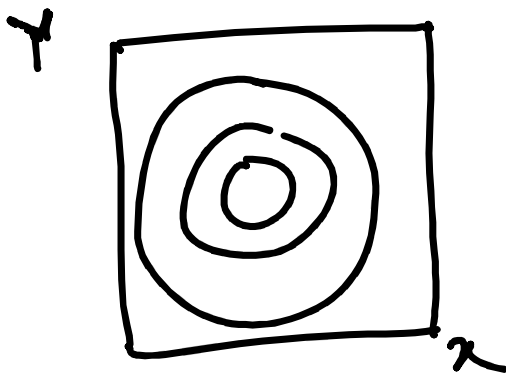
Lifting

$$E_{12} = E_{21}$$

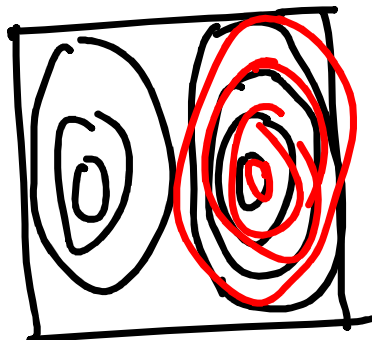


$$a = b$$

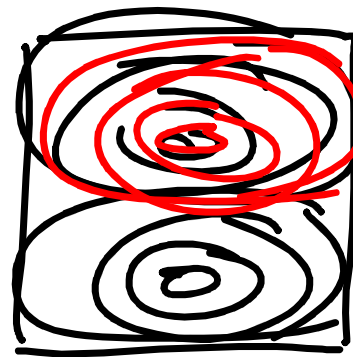




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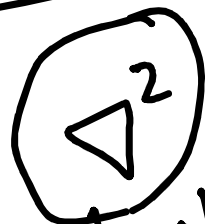


2, 1



1, 2

3D box



Laplace operator
Laplacian:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{H} &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2\end{aligned}$$