

# Energy bands

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*“Talk is cheap. Show me the code.”* – Linus Torvalds

## 1 Import libraries

```
[1]: from ipywidgets import interact
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

plt.rcParams["font.family"] = "Helvetica"
%matplotlib inline
%config InlineBackend.figure_format = 'svg'
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## 2 Energy levels of a hydrogen atom

In python programming, you can write *classes* representing objects in the real world. For example, you can write a *class* `HydrogenAtom`, and then create an instance of it to represent a specific hydrogen atom. And you can write a *method* `plot_energy_levels` in `HydrogenAtom` to plot the energy levels of the hydrogen atom.

```
[2]: class HydrogenAtom(object):
    """Class of hydrogen atom.
    """

    def __init__(self,
                  m: float = 9.10939e-31,
                  hbar: float = 1.0545718e-34,
                  e: float = 1.60218e-19,
                  epsilon0: float = 8.85419e-12):
        """Initialize the class with some attributes and fundamental constants.

        Args:
            m (float, optional): mass of electron.
            hbar (int, optional): Planck's constant.
            e (float, optional): charge of electron.
            epsilon0 (float, optional): permittivity of space.
        """
        self.m = m
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self.hbar = hbar
self.e = e
self.epsilon0 = epsilon0

def plot_energy_levels(self,
                       N: int = 5):
    """Plot energy levels of a hydrogen atom.

    Args:
        N (int, optional): number of energy levels to plot.
    """
    x = [1]
    n = np.arange(1, N+1, 1)
    energy = (-self.m * self.e**3 / (2 * self.hbar **
                                     2 * 16*np.pi**2 * self.epsilon0**2 * n**2))

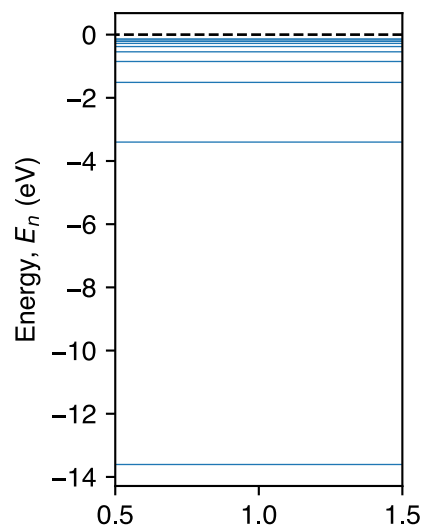
    # Plot the energy levels.
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 1, figsize=(2.5, 3))
    ax.eventplot(energy, orientation='vertical',
                 lineoffsets=x, linelength=1, linewidths=0.5)
    ax.eventplot([0], orientation='vertical', lineoffsets=x,
                 linelength=1, linewidths=1, linestyle='--', colors='k')
    ax.set_ylabel('Energy,  $E_n$  (eV)')
    ax.set(xlim=(x[0]-0.5, x[0]+0.5))
    ax.axis('on')
    fig.tight_layout()
    plt.show()

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[3]: hatom = HydrogenAtom()
     hatom.plot_energy_levels(N=10)

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### 3 Interpretations of periodic potential

#### 3.1 Nyquist–Shannon sampling theorem

#### 3.2 Brillouin Zone

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[4]: a = 1 # lattice constant
      omega = 1 # hopping parameter
      amp = 1 # amplitude of wave

      k1 = np.pi/a # wave vector for first BZ, |k1|<=pi/a
      n = -1 # n label of band
      k2 = k1 + (n-1)*2*np.pi/a # wave vector for nth BZ
      x0 = a*np.arange(1, 6, 1)
      N = len(x0)
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[5]: def plot_sine_wave(t):
      x = np.linspace(0, 6, num=1000)
      y1 = amp*np.sin(k1*x-omega*t)
      y2 = amp*np.sin(k2*x-omega*t)

      fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 1, figsize=(8, 2.5))
      ax.plot(x, y1, color='black', linestyle='-', lw=1)
      ax.plot(x, y2, color='red', linestyle='--', lw=1)
      ax.plot(x0, amp*np.sin(k1*x0-omega*t), 'o', color='black')
      ax.set_xlabel('x/a')
      ax.set_ylabel('Amplitude of lattice wave')
      ax.set_xlim([0, 6])
      ax.set_ylim([-1.5, 1.5])
      ax.axis('on')

      fig.tight_layout()
      plt.show()
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[6]: interact(plot_sine_wave, t=(1e-10, 50, 0.01))
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interactive(children=(FloatSlider(value=24.99000000001, description='t', max=50.0, min=1e-10, step=0.01), Output...
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[6]: <function __main__.plot_sine_wave(t)>
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