

14. Find the quantum-mechanical eigenfunction $\psi_n(k)$ and energy bands $E_n(k)$ of a one-dimensional empty lattice [$V(x)=0$] with lattice constant a ; n and k are the band index and wave-vector. Illustrate your results with a sketch of the energy bands. Hint: Use Bloch's theorem to represent $\psi_n(k)$ in terms of its periodic part $u_n(k)$.

$$\psi_n(k) = e^{2kx} u_k^{(n)}(x)$$

$$\nabla_x^2 \psi_n(k) = \frac{2m(V-E)}{\hbar^2} \psi_n(k)$$

$$e^{2kx} (\nabla_x^2 + 2k \nabla_x - k^2) u_k^{(n)}$$

$$(\nabla_x^2 + 2k \nabla_x) u_k^{(n)} = (k^2 - \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}) u_k^{(n)}$$

$$\text{with BC: } u_k^{(n)}(0) = u_k^{(n)}(a)$$

Try plane wave soln: $u_k^{(n)} \propto e^{i\sigma x}$

$$\text{BC: } e^{i\sigma a} = 1, \sigma a = 2\pi m, m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2 \dots$$

put into D.E.

$$\sigma_m^2 - 2\sigma_m k + k^2 = \frac{2mE(k, m)}{\hbar^2}$$

$$E(k, m) = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (\sigma_m + k)^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(k + \frac{2\pi m}{a}\right)^2$$

$$u_k^{(m)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} e^{2\pi m x/a}$$

$$m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2$$

$$-\frac{\pi}{2} < k \leq \frac{\pi}{a}$$

$$\rightarrow \psi_n(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Na}} e^{i(k + \frac{2\pi m}{a})x}$$

$$m=1, k + \frac{2\pi m}{a} = \frac{\pi}{a} \text{ for } k = -\frac{\pi}{a}$$

$$= +\frac{3\pi}{a} \text{ if } k = +\frac{\pi}{a}$$

$$m=-1, k + \frac{2\pi m}{a} = -\frac{\pi}{a} \text{ for } k = +\frac{\pi}{a}$$

$$= -\frac{3\pi}{a} \text{ if } k = -\frac{\pi}{a}$$

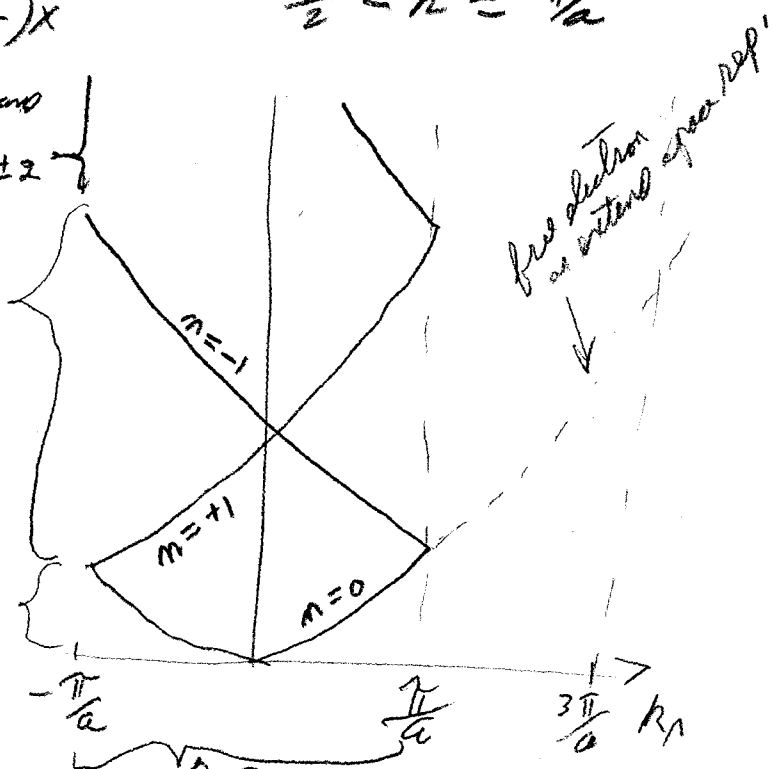
3rd band

$$\alpha = \pm 2$$

2nd band

$$m = \pm 1$$

1st band
 $m = 0$



15. The mercury atom has the following energy levels expressed in terms of energy units $1/\lambda$.

$6s^2$	$1S_0$	0
$6s6p$	$3P_0$	$37,645 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
$6s6p$	$3P_1$	$39,412 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
$6s6p$	$3P_2$	$44,043 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
$6s7s$	$3S_1$	$62,350 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

- Explain the meaning of the spectroscopic notation above.
- What transitions will occur between these energy levels in a gas discharge? Explain in moderate detail.
- Briefly outline an experimental method for verifying the total angular momenta J assigned to the levels above.