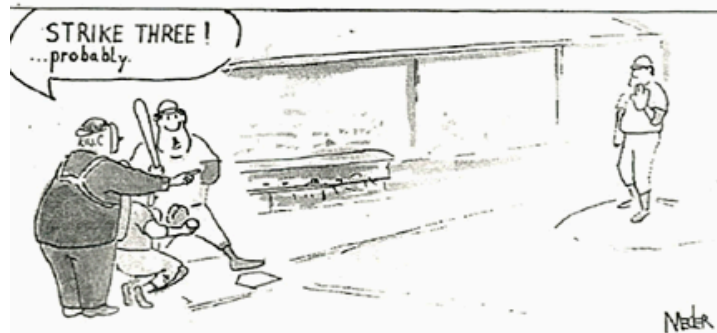
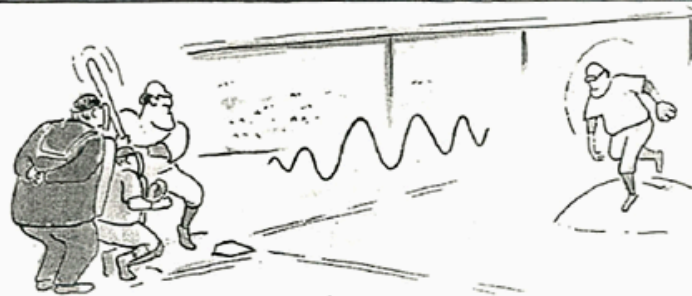
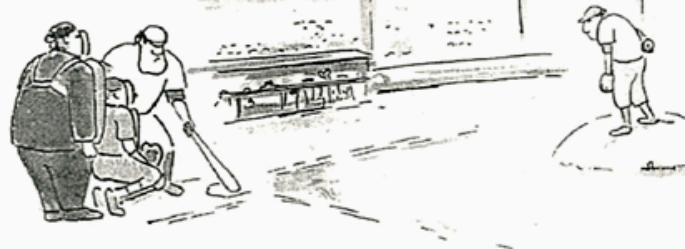


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Schrödinger's Wave Equation

Wave Mechanics --1926

An electron is described by a wave function $\Psi(x,t) = \psi(x)\phi(t)$

which satisfies Schrodinger's equation :

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2} + V(x)\Psi(x,t) = i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t} \quad (1)$$

where \hbar is the reduced Planck constant, m is electron mass, and $V(x)$ is a potential function.

$\Psi(x,t)$ is positive - definite and single valued. Further, $|\Psi(x,t)|^2$ is a probability density function, hence

$\int_x^{x+dx} |\psi(x)|^2 dx$ = the probability of finding the electron between x and $x + dx$

$$\text{Hence } \int_0^\infty |\psi(x)|^2 dx = 1.$$

Substituting $\Psi(x,t) = \psi(x)\phi(t)$ in (1) results in

$$\phi(t) = e^{-i\frac{E}{\hbar}t} = e^{-i\omega t}$$

hence $E = \hbar\omega$.

Schrödinger's Time Independent Wave Equation

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

- Solve for free particle moving in +x

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

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} = -k^2 \psi(x), \text{ where } k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}.$$

Solution is:

$$\psi(x,t) = A \exp \left[i(kx - \omega t) \right]$$

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

where λ is the wavelength.

Note : $\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$ where p is the momentum.

So, electron has wavelength $\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mE}}$

known as deBroglie wavelength.

So, electron is a plane wave
with

$$\psi(x,t)\psi^*(x,t) = AA^*$$

A constant!.... (exists everywhere in space)

But this means that momentum is well defined

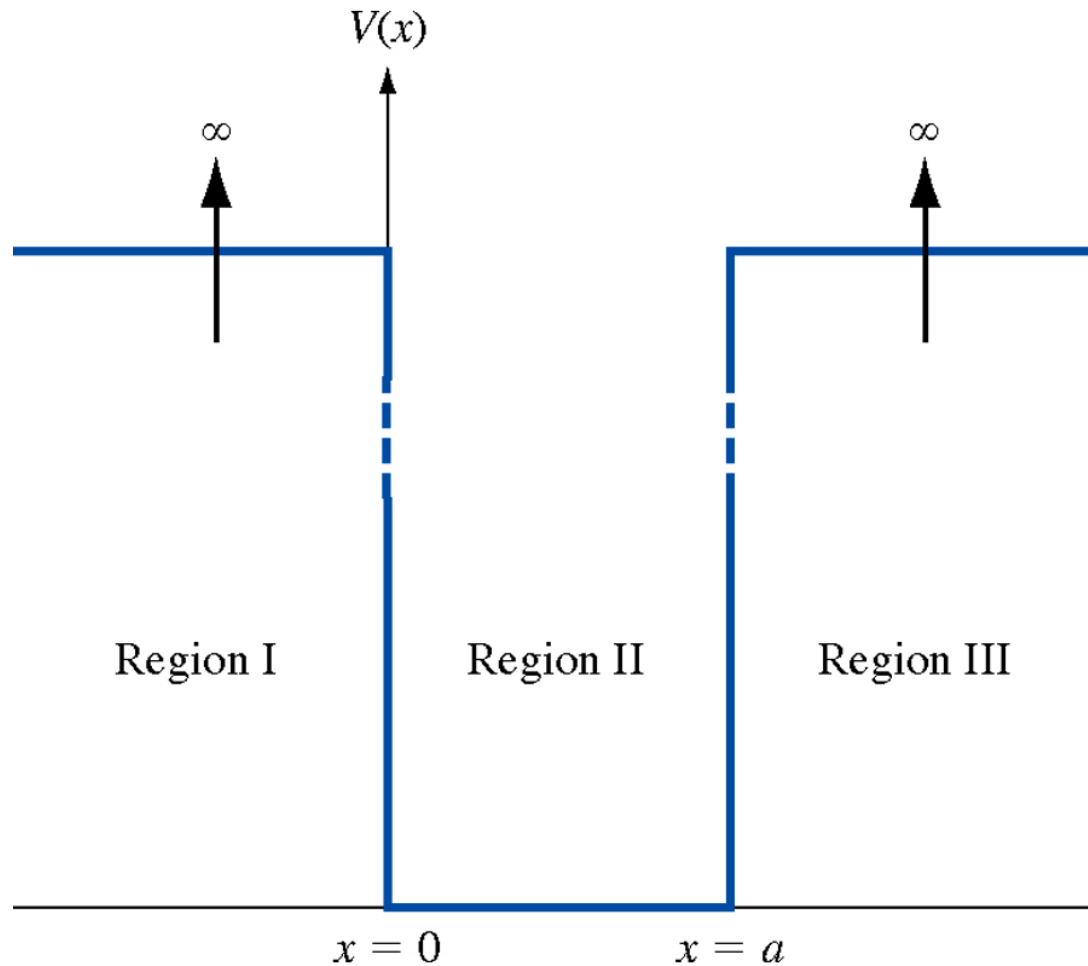
And this leads to the notion of a wave packet

Wave Packet

$$\Psi(z,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} a(k - k_0) e^{z - z_0} e^{-i\omega(k)t} dk$$

Describes a particle near z_0 with momentum near $\hbar k$

2. Infinite Well



Schrödinger's Wave Equation

$\psi = 0$ outside the well (regions I, III)

ψ and its derivative are continuous

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

For the infinite well, solution is

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

$$\text{where } k = \sqrt{2m_0 E / \hbar^2}$$

Use boundary conditions @ $x = 0$, and a

$$\text{at } x = 0, A_1 \cos(0) + A_2 \sin(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A_1 = 0$$

$$\text{at } x = a, A_2 \sin(ka) = 0 \Rightarrow ka = n\pi$$

$$\text{hence } k = k_n = n \frac{\pi}{a} = \sqrt{2m_0 E_n / \hbar^2}; \text{ and}$$

$$E_n = n^2 \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2m_0 a^2}$$

Energy and momentum are both quantized

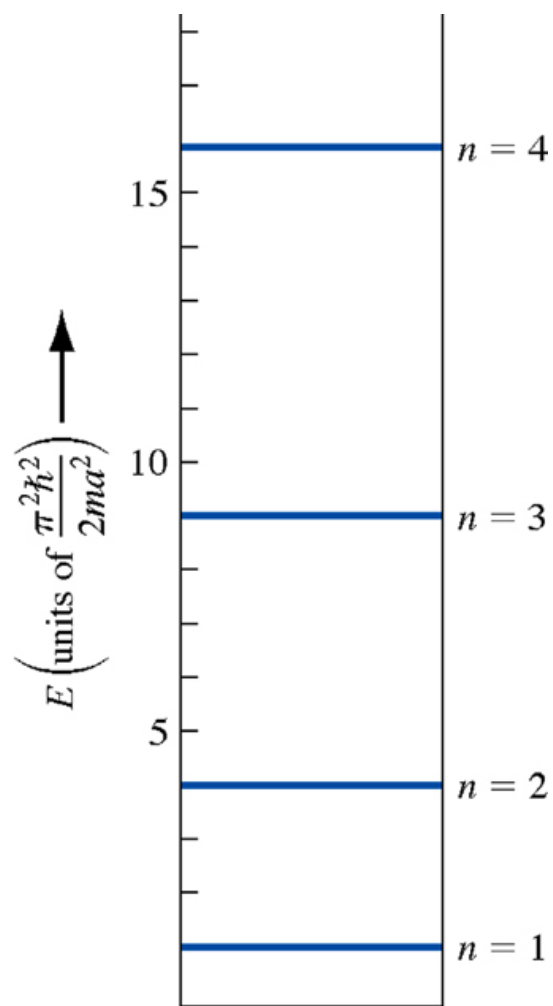
Normalize to get A_1

$$\int_0^{\infty} |\psi(x)|^2 dx = \int_0^{\infty} \psi^*(x) \psi(x) dx = 1$$

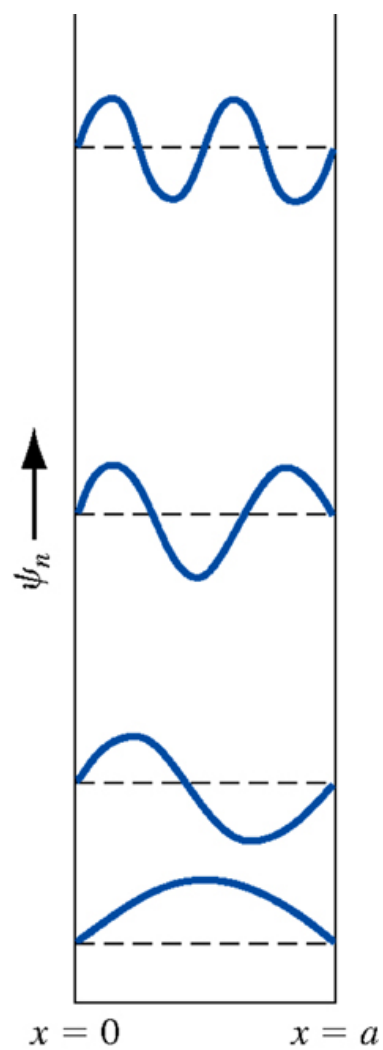
$$\int_0^a A_2^2 \sin^2(k_n x) dx = \frac{A_2^2}{2} \int_0^a (1 - \cos(2k_n x)) dx = 1$$

Resulting in

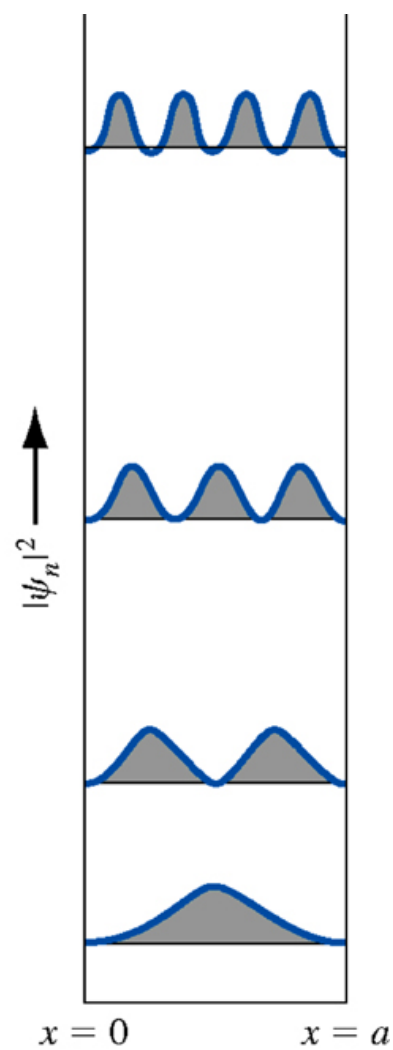
$$\psi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin(k_n x)$$



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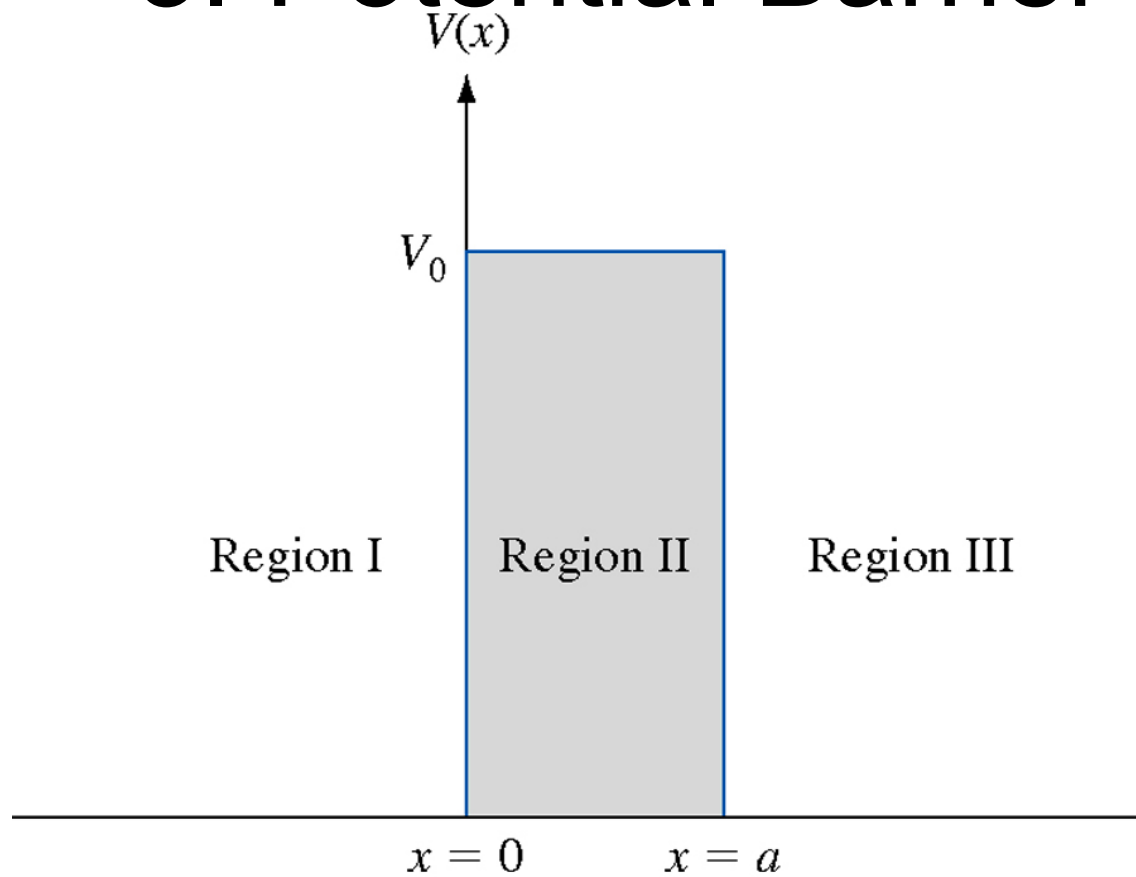


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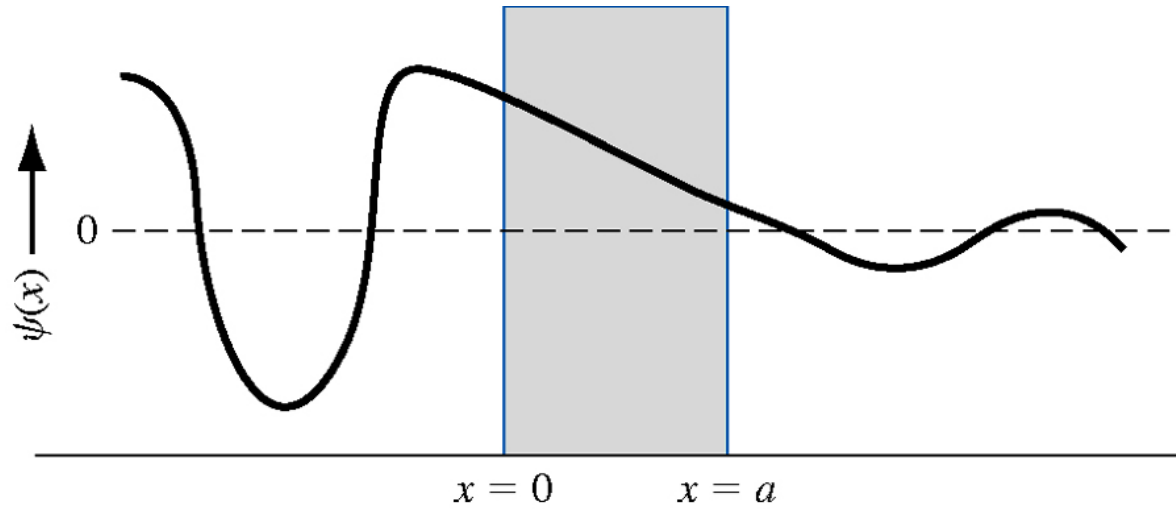


(c)

3. Potential Barrier



Electron Wave Function



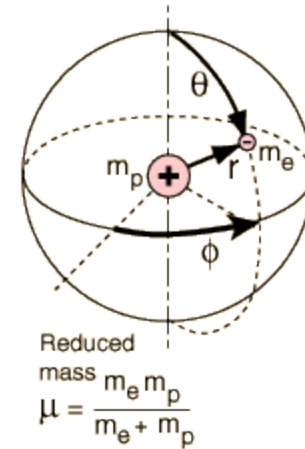
$$\text{Transmission Coefficient } T \approx 16 \left(\frac{E}{V_0} \right) \left(1 - \frac{E}{V_0} \right) \exp(-2k_2 a)$$

4. Hydrogen Atom

- The electron in the [hydrogen atom](#) sees a spherically symmetric potential, so it is logical to use [spherical polar coordinates](#) to develop the [Schrodinger equation](#).

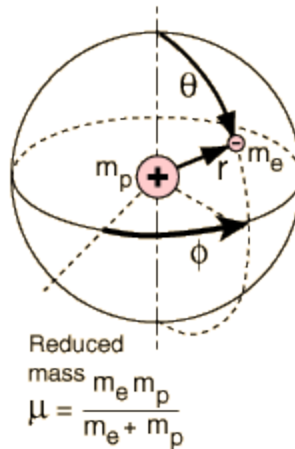
The potential energy is simply that of a [point charge](#):

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



- **Hydrogen Schrödinger Equation**

- Coordinate System:



- The expanded form of the Schrödinger equation is:

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left[\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial \phi^2} \right]$$

$$-U(r)\Psi(r, \theta, \phi) = E \Psi(r, \theta, \phi)$$

- Solving it involves separating the variables into the form

$$\Psi(r, \theta, \phi) = R(r)P(\theta)F(\phi)$$

$$\Psi(r, \theta, \phi) = R_n(r) P_l(\theta) F_{m_l}(\phi)$$



n

Principal
Quantum
Number

l

Orbital
Quantum
Number

m_l

Magnetic
Quantum
Number

Electron Energy is derived as

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

The 3 quantum numbers are:

$$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$l = n-1, n-2, n-3, \dots, 0$$

$$|m| = l, l-1, \dots, 0$$

Spin is the 4th quantum number.

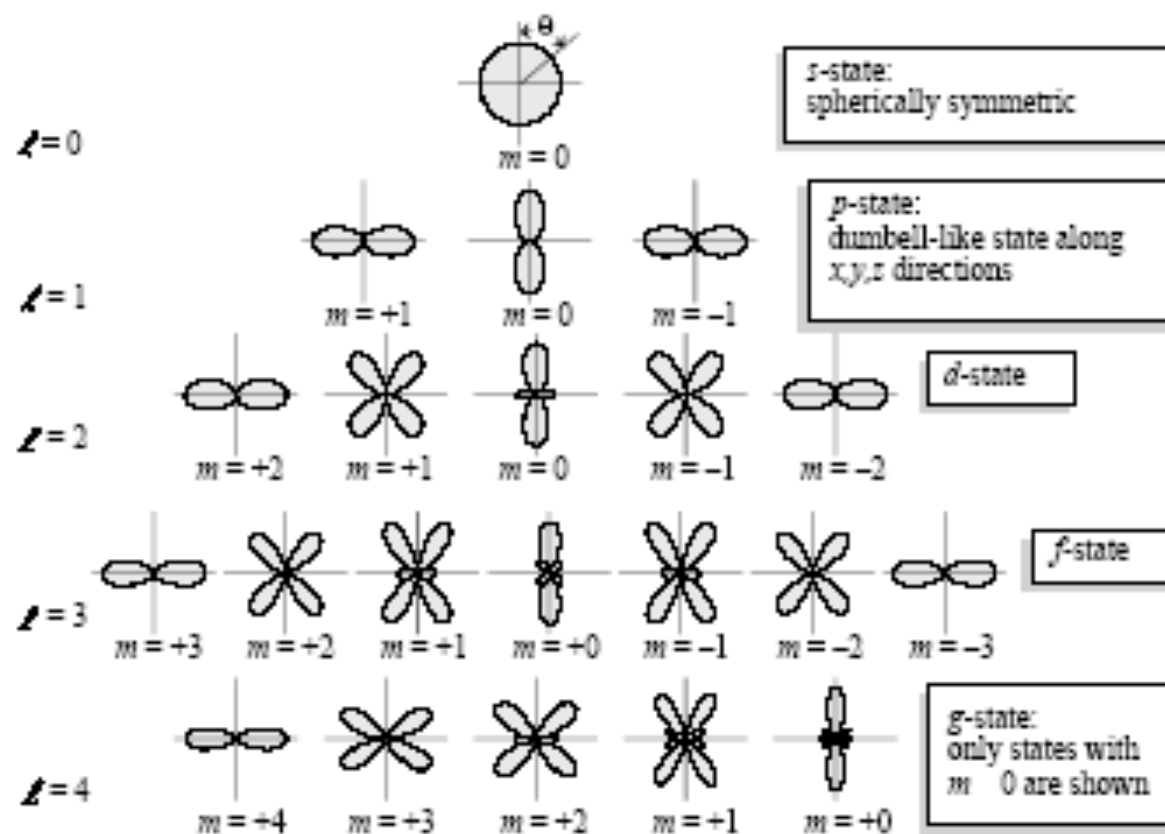
There is one electron state for each set of 4 quantum numbers

NATURE OF ATOMIC FUNCTIONS:

These are important, since the cell periodic part of Bloch states is often made up of atomic-like states

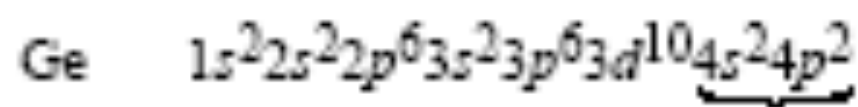
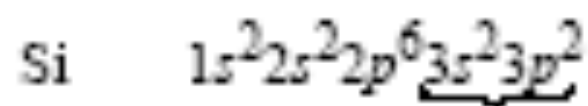
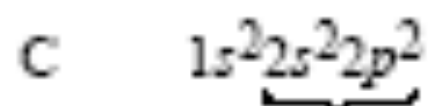
$l=0$: angular momentum is zero; called *s*-state

$l=1$: angular momentum is one (\hbar); called *p*-state

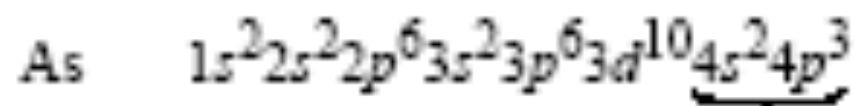
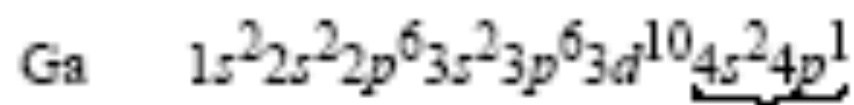


A plot of the probability density function of electronic states in an atom as a function of the angle θ for the *s, p, d, f, g* electrons.

IV Semiconductors

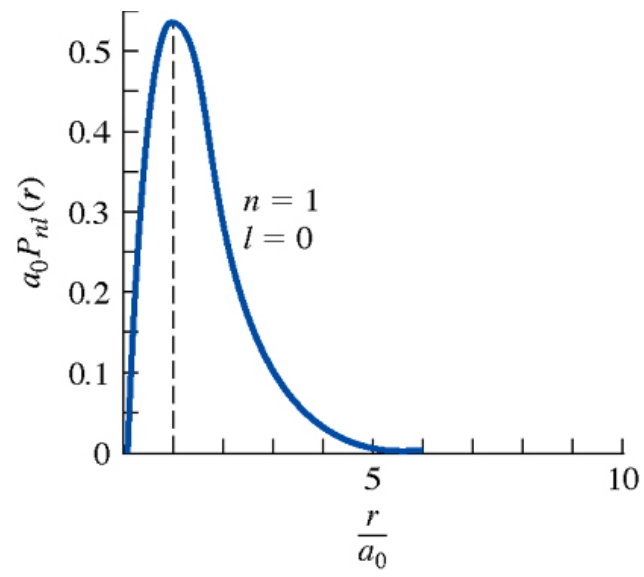


III-V Semiconductors

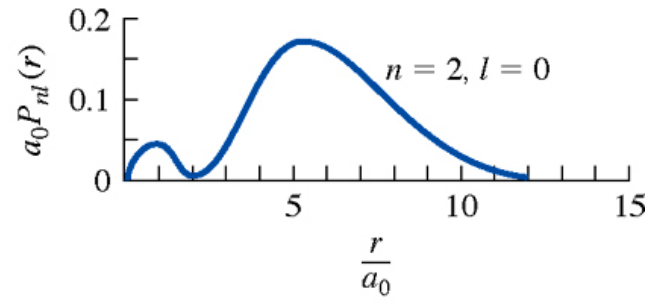


Outermost atomic levels are either *s*-type or *p*-type.

Radial Probability Density Function for a hydrogen atom



(a)



(b)

$$a_0 = \frac{4\pi \epsilon_0 \hbar^2}{m_0 e^2} = 0.529 \text{ \AA}$$