
VE320 – Summer 2022

Introduction to Semiconductor Devices

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Chapter 2 Introduction to Quantum Mechanics



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2.1 2nd order differential equations and waves

k real k^2 positive

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = k^2 y$$

General solution: $y = \underline{A e^{bx}}$ $A_1 e^{kx}, A_2 e^{-kx}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = A \cdot b e^{bx} \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = A \cdot b^2 \cdot e^{bx}$$
$$A \cdot b^2 \cdot e^{bx} = k^2 \cdot A e^{bx}$$
$$y = \underline{A_1 e^{kx}} + \underline{A_2 e^{-kx}}$$

$b^2 = k^2$
 $b = \pm k$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -k^2 y$$

General solution: $y = \underline{A e^{bx}}$

$$A b^2 e^{bx} = -k^2 \cdot A e^{bx} \quad b^2 = -k^2$$
$$y = A_1 \cdot e^{i k x} + A_2 e^{-i k x} \quad b = \pm i \cdot k$$

2.1 2nd order differential equations and waves

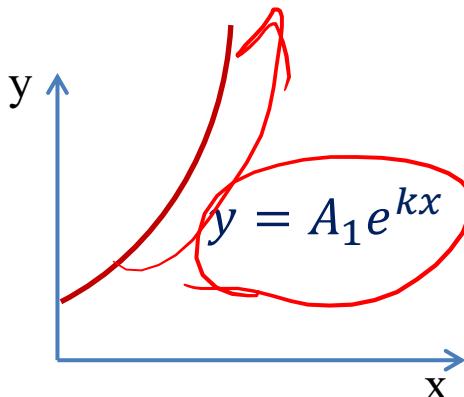
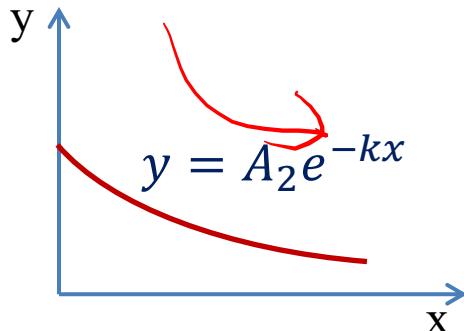
$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = k^2 y$$

General solution: $y = A e^{bx}$

Plug into the equation: $b^2 A e^{bx} = k^2 A e^{bx}$

$$\Rightarrow b = \pm k$$

$$\Rightarrow y = A_1 e^{kx} + A_2 e^{-kx}$$

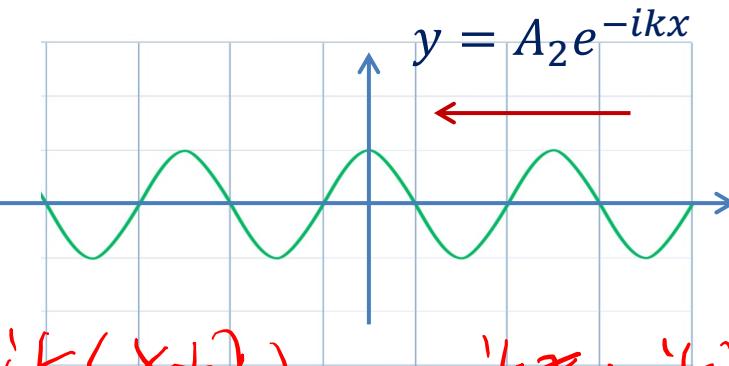
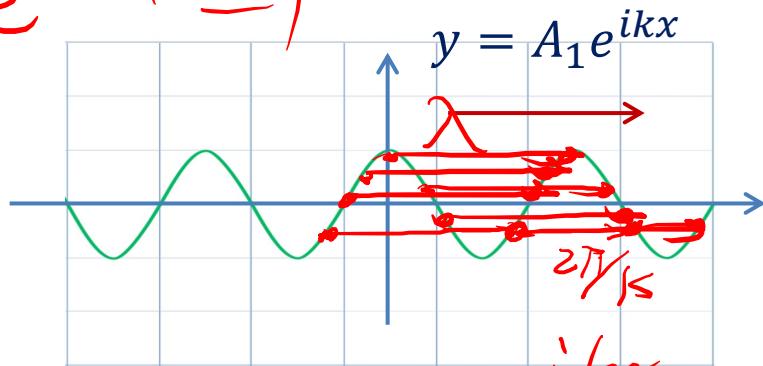


2.1 2nd order differential equations and waves

$$e^{i2\pi} = 1$$

$$\underline{k} \cdot \underline{\lambda} = 2\pi$$

~~$$\textcircled{A} = \frac{2\pi}{k}$$~~ = wavelength



$$e^{i(k\lambda)} = 1$$

$$e^{i k x}$$

$$= e^{i k (x + \lambda)} = e^{i k x} \cdot e^{i k \lambda}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = -k^2 y$$

General solution: $y = Ae^{bx}$

$$k =$$

Plug into the equation: $b^2 Ae^{bx} = -k^2 Ae^{bx}$

$$\Rightarrow b = \pm ki$$

$$\Rightarrow y = A_1 e^{ikx} + A_2 e^{-ikx}$$

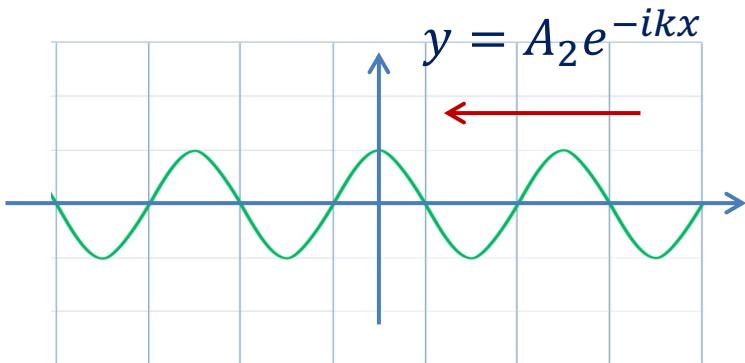
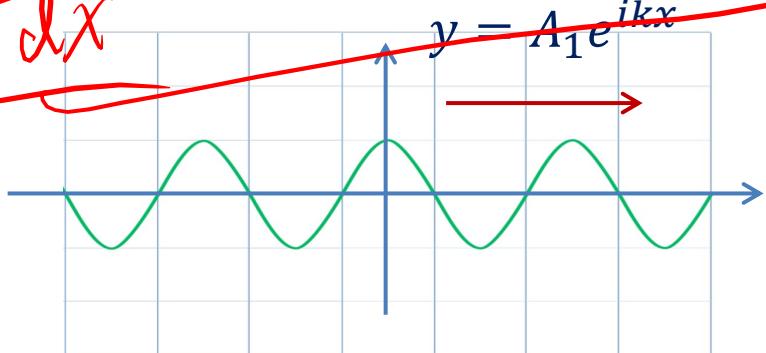
$$e^{i k x}$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$



2.1 2nd order differential equations and waves

$$\frac{dy}{dx^2} = - \left(\frac{2\pi \times 3.14}{1 \times 10^{-6}} \right) \cdot y^2$$



$$\lambda_0 = 1 \mu m$$

1. Give a wave propagating along x with a wavelength λ_0 , please write the static 2nd order differential equation that governs the behavior of this wave.

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -k^2 \cdot y$$

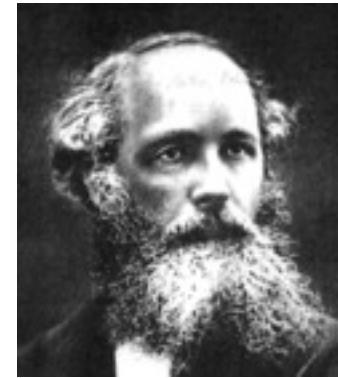
$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0}\right) \cdot y$$

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{2\pi}{k} \Rightarrow k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0}$$

2.1 2nd order differential equations and waves

- Electromagnetic (EM) wave

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot E = 4\pi\rho \\ \nabla \times E = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \cdot B = 0 \\ \nabla \times B = \frac{4\pi}{c} J + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \end{array} \right. \quad \right\}$$



James Maxwell

Static differential equation describing the electromagnetic wave

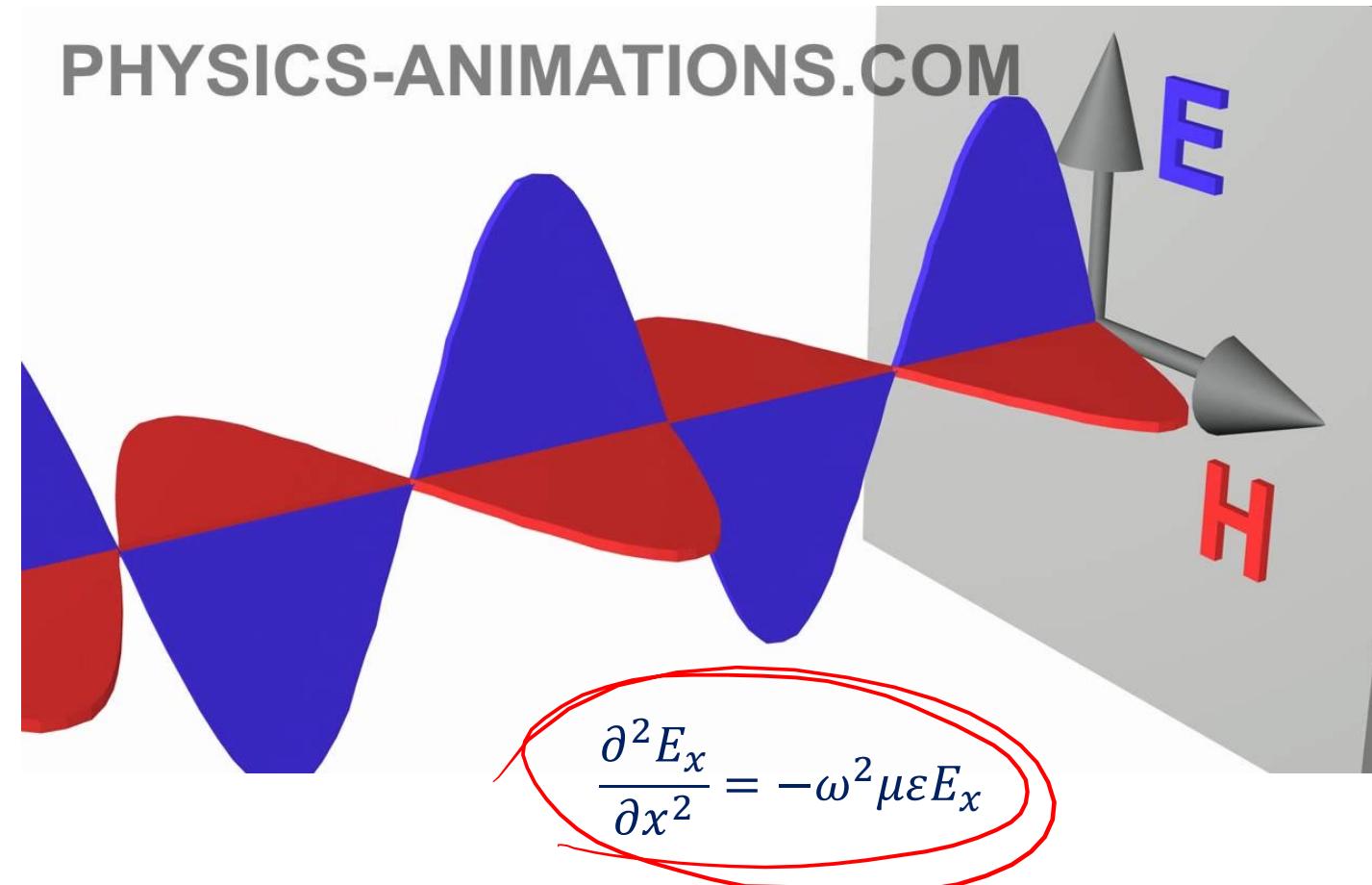
$$\frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial x^2} = -\omega^2 \mu\varepsilon E_x = -(\omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon})^2 E_x$$

$$E_x = E_{x0} e^{-i\omega\sqrt{\mu\varepsilon}x}$$

solution is wave

2.1 2nd order differential equations and waves

- Electromagnetic (EM) wave



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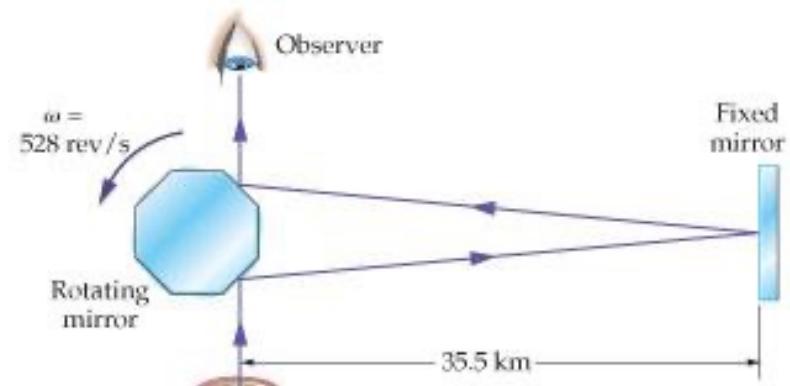
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2.2 Historic events in developing quantum mechanics

① Speed of light in 1862 $v = 2.98 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$



Rotation mirror



Leon Foucault

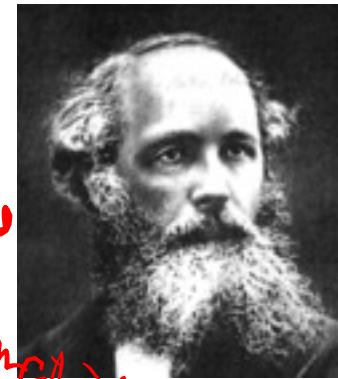
2.2 Historic events in developing quantum mechanics

② Maxwell Equations in the year 1865

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot E = 4\pi\rho \\ \nabla \times E = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \cdot B = 0 \\ \nabla \times B = \frac{4\pi}{c} J + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \end{array} \right.$$

light-wave

electromagnetic
wave



James Maxwell

Static differential equation describing the electromagnetic wave

$e^{i\omega t}$

$$\frac{\partial^2 E_x}{\partial x^2} = -\omega^2 \mu\epsilon E_x$$

Light is an electromagnetic wave!

$$E_x = E_{x0} e^{-i\omega\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}x}$$

$$\nu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} = 2.99 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \cdot x = \omega t$$



2.2 Historic events in developing quantum mechanics

③ Light wave-particle duality in 1905

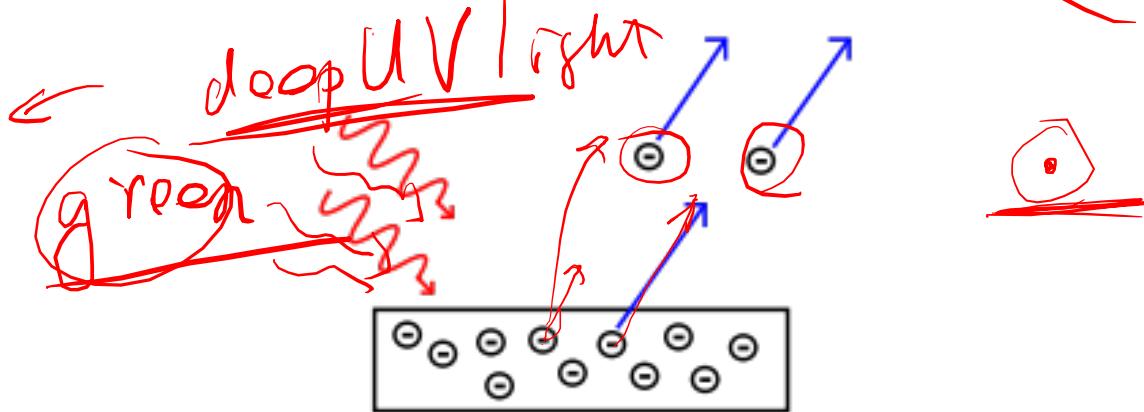
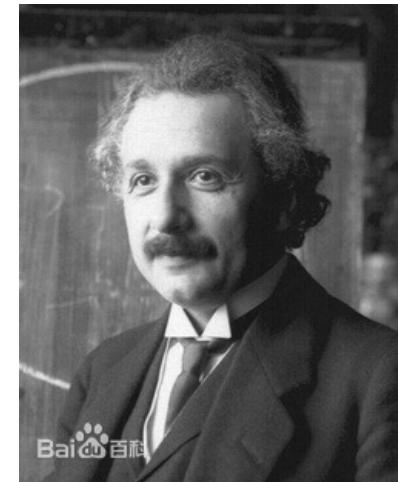


Photo-electric experiment

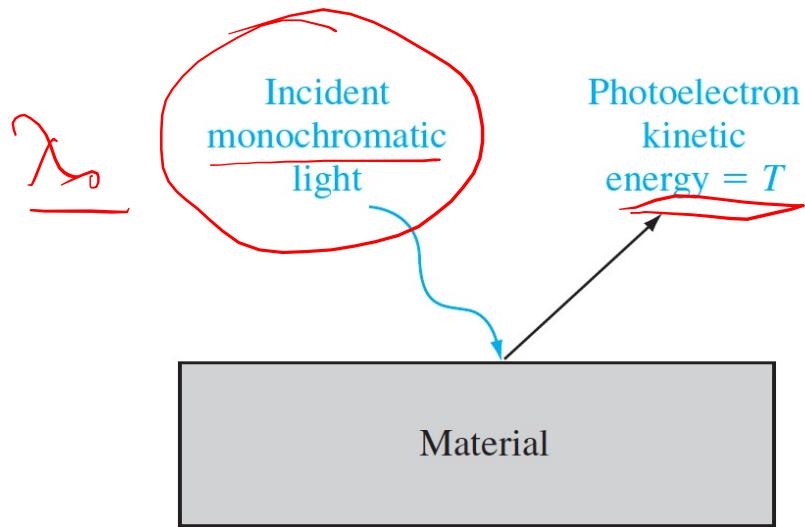


Albert Einstein
Nobel Prize 1921

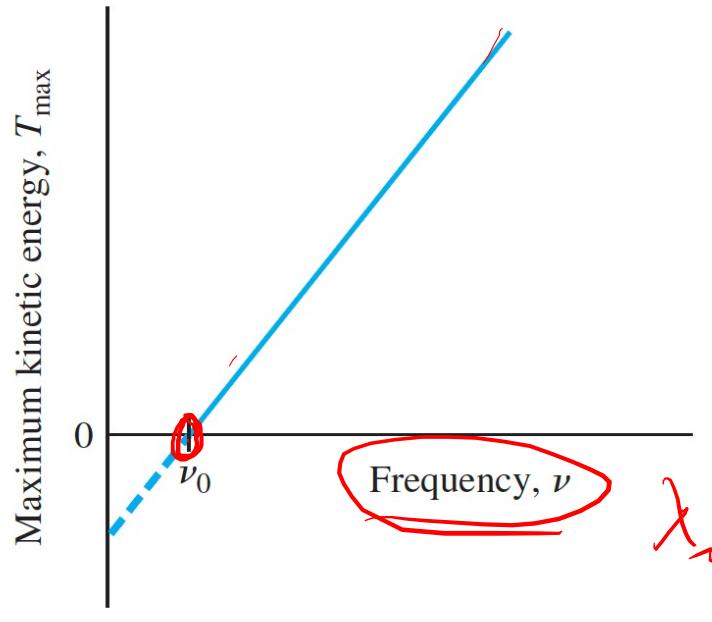
- Light frequency higher than a certain frequency → electron ejection
- Not a function of light intensity

2.2 Historic events in developing quantum mechanics

③ Light wave-particle duality in 1905



(a)



(b)

□ Light wave is a particle: $h\nu = K_{\max} + W_c$

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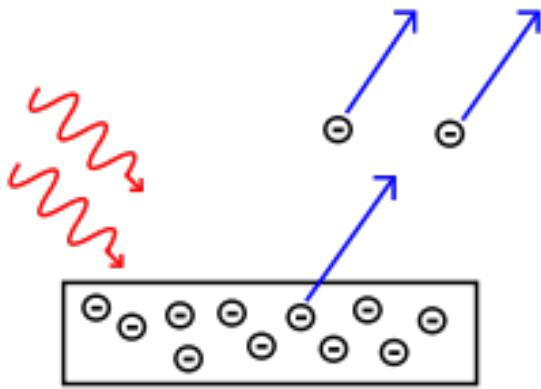
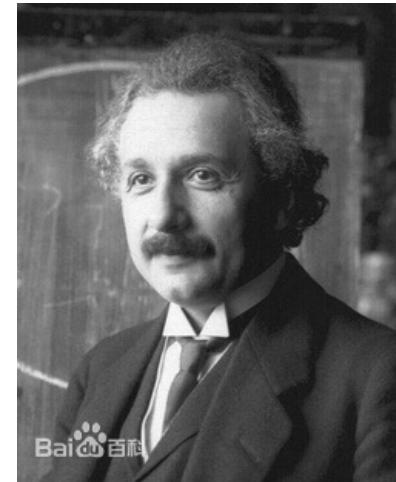


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$$E = \cancel{hv} = \cancel{\hbar\omega} \quad \text{circled } 2\pi f = \omega \quad E = mc^2$$

momentum $p = \cancel{mc} = \frac{E}{c} = \frac{hv}{c} = \frac{\cancel{h}}{\cancel{\lambda}} = \hbar k$

Light is a particle!

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

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2.2 Historic events in developing quantum mechanics

④ Matter wave hypothesis in 1924

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{E} = \frac{1}{2} \cancel{m v^2} & \Leftrightarrow & \text{E} = \cancel{h\nu} = h \cdot \omega \\ \cancel{\text{P} = m \cdot v} & \Rightarrow & \text{P} = \cancel{h k} \end{array}$$

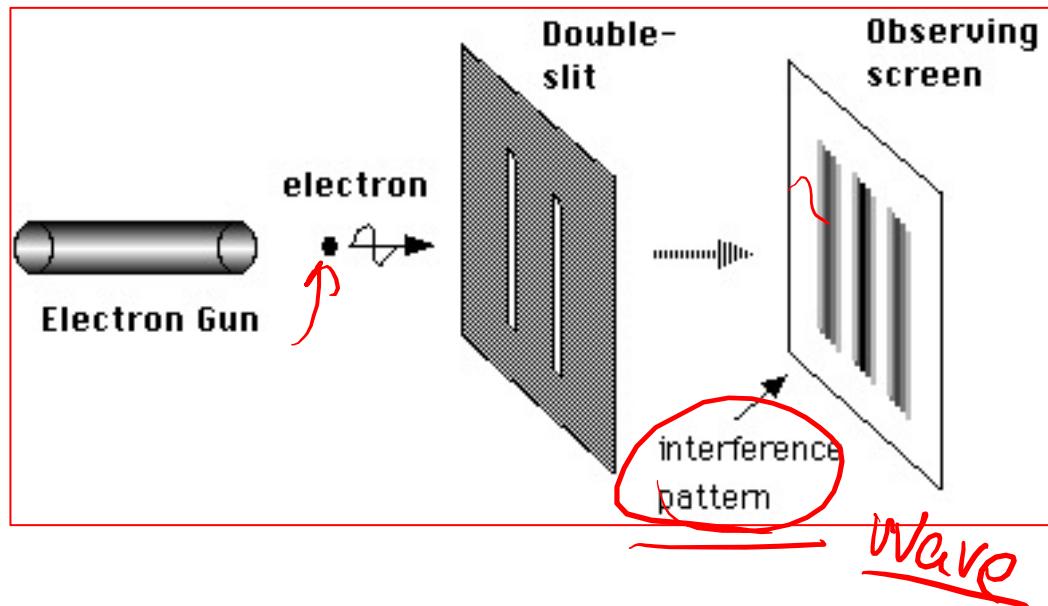
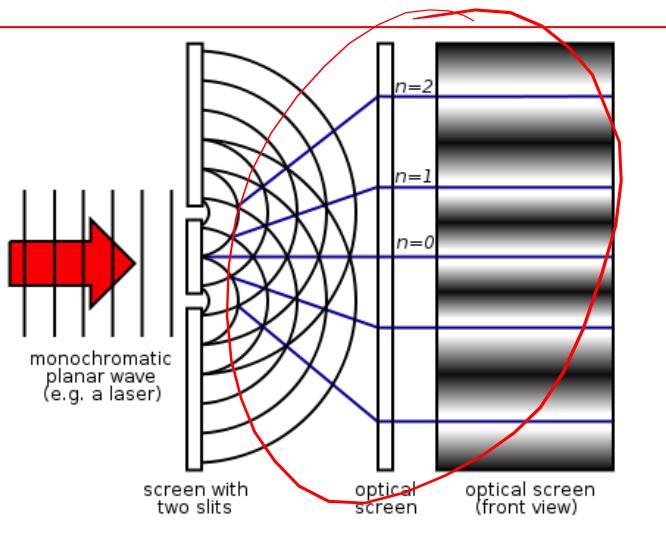


Louis Victor de Broglie
Nobel Prize 1929

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \quad \text{wavenumber} \quad \lambda \text{ wavelen}$$

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2.3 A case study

- Maxwell Equation in the year 1865
- Light wave-particle duality in 1905
- Matter wave hypothesis in 1924

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = -k^2 y \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{2eV_0}{m_e}}$$
$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = E = h\nu = \hbar\omega$$
$$p = mv = p = \frac{h}{\lambda} = \hbar k$$

Quiz #1:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -k^2 \cdot y$$

$E_0 = V_0/d$

d

grid

V_0

m_e

$E_0 = 0$

$$\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0}$$

m_e

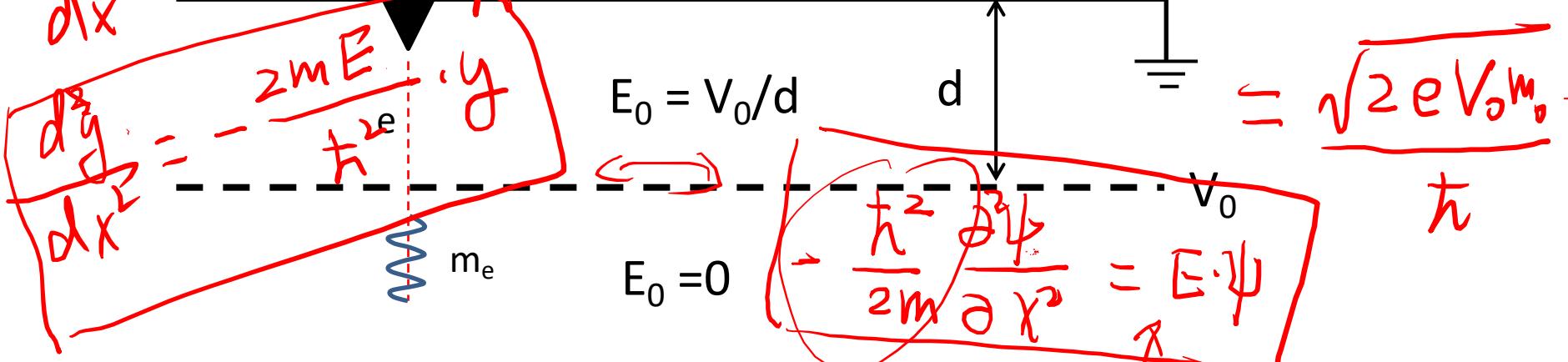
Can you find a differential equation that governs the wave behavior of electrons?

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$$\frac{1}{2}m_0 V_0^2 = eV_0 \Rightarrow V_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2eV_0}{m_0}}$$

$$P = m_0 \cdot V_0 = \hbar k \Rightarrow k = \frac{m_0 \cdot V_0}{\hbar}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{2eV_0/m_0}{x^2} \cdot y$$



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2.4 Electrons in Infinite Quantum Well

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

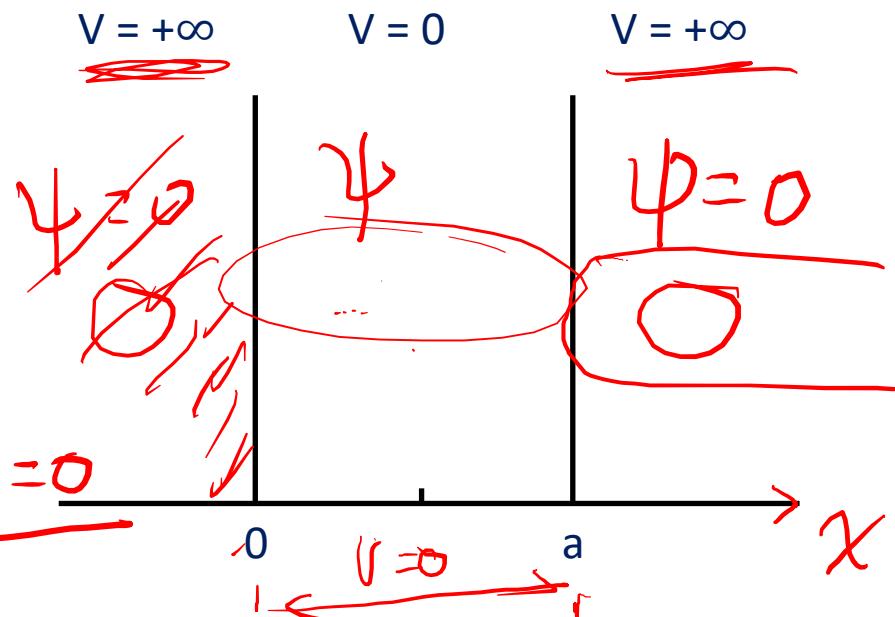
$\Psi = 0$

Conditions:

for $x \leq 0, x \geq a$

$$\boxed{V(x) = +\infty} \Rightarrow \boxed{\Psi(x) = 0}$$

for $0 < x < a$



$$\frac{2mE}{n^2} = k^2$$

$$E = \frac{k^2 \hbar^2}{2m}$$

$$\frac{V(x) = 0}{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \Psi}{dx^2}} = E \Psi \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 \Psi}{dx^2} = -\left(\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}\right) \Psi = -k^2 \Psi$$

$$\Psi = A e^{-kx} + B e^{kx}$$

$$k = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$



2.4 Electrons in Infinite Quantum Well

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

Conditions:

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$$V(x) = +\infty; \Rightarrow \Psi(x) = 0$$

for $0 < x < a$

$$V(x) = 0$$

$$\Psi(x) \Big|_{x=0,a} = 0$$

$$x=0 \quad \psi(0)=Ae^{-iko} + Be^{iko} = 0$$
$$x=a \quad \psi(a)=Ae^{-ika} + Be^{ika} = 0$$
$$-BA(\cos ka - i \sin ka) + B(\cos ka + i \sin ka) = 0$$

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$$\begin{cases} A(\cos ka - i \sin ka) + B(\cos ka + i \sin ka) = 0 \\ A = -B \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow -B(\cos ka - i \sin ka) + B(\cos ka + i \sin ka) = 0$$

$$-B \cos ka + i B \sin ka + B \cos ka + i B \sin ka = 0$$

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m}$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2 \cdot n^2 \pi^2}{2m a^2} = n^2 \cdot \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2} k a = n \cdot \pi$$

$$2iB \sin ka = 0$$

$n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2$
 $n: \text{Integer}$

$$k = \frac{n \cdot \pi}{a}$$



2.4 Electrons in Infinite Quantum Well

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

Conditions:

for $x \leq 0, x \geq a$

$V(x) = +\infty; \Psi(x) = 0$

for $0 < x < a$

$V(x) = 0$

$n=1$

$$\Psi(x) = -2iA \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right)$$

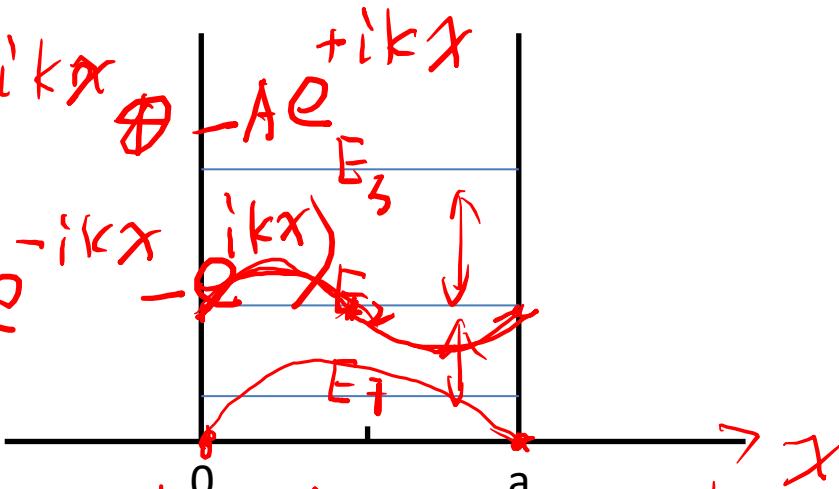
$n=2$

$$\Psi(x) = -2iA \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right)$$

$V = +\infty$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x) &= A e^{-ikx} \\ &= A (e^{-ikx} - e^{+ikx}) \\ &= A (\cos kx - i \sin kx) \end{aligned}$$



$$= A (-2i \sin(kx))$$

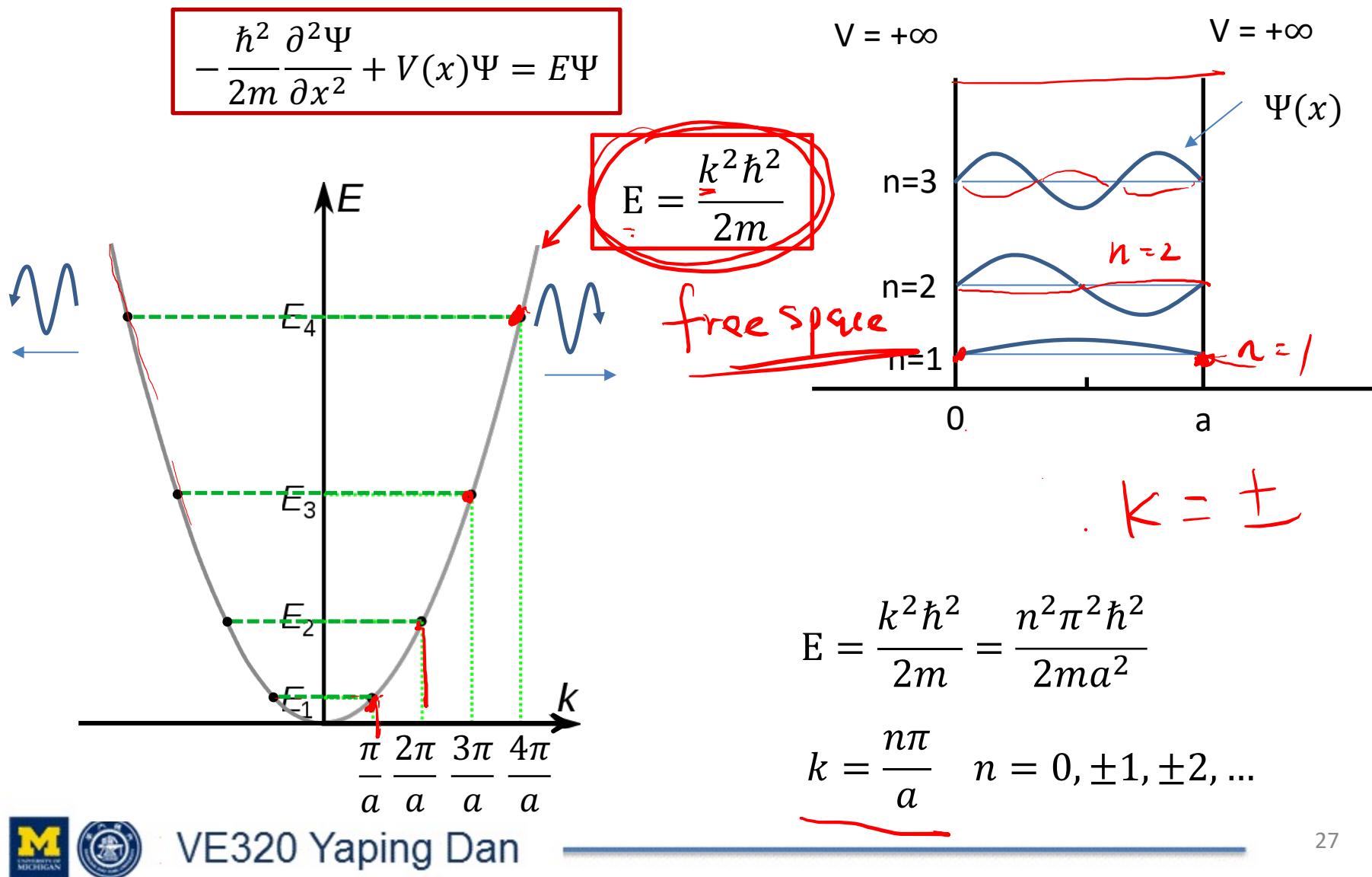
$$E = \frac{k^2 \hbar^2}{2m} = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2}$$

$$k = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

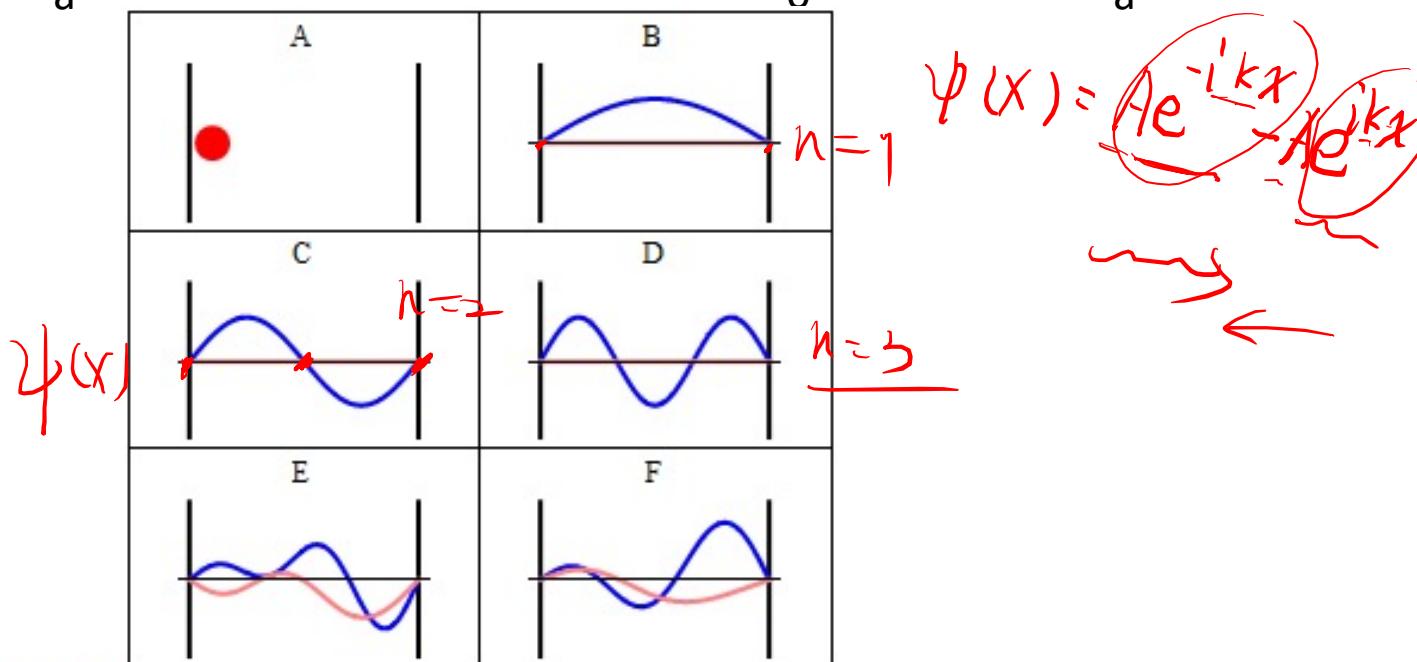
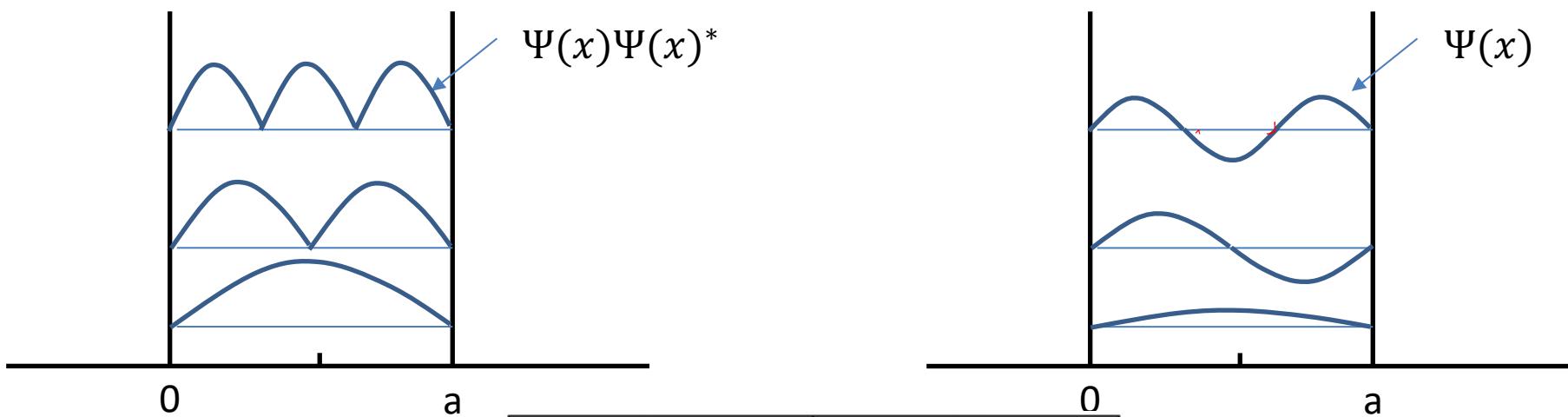
$n=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$



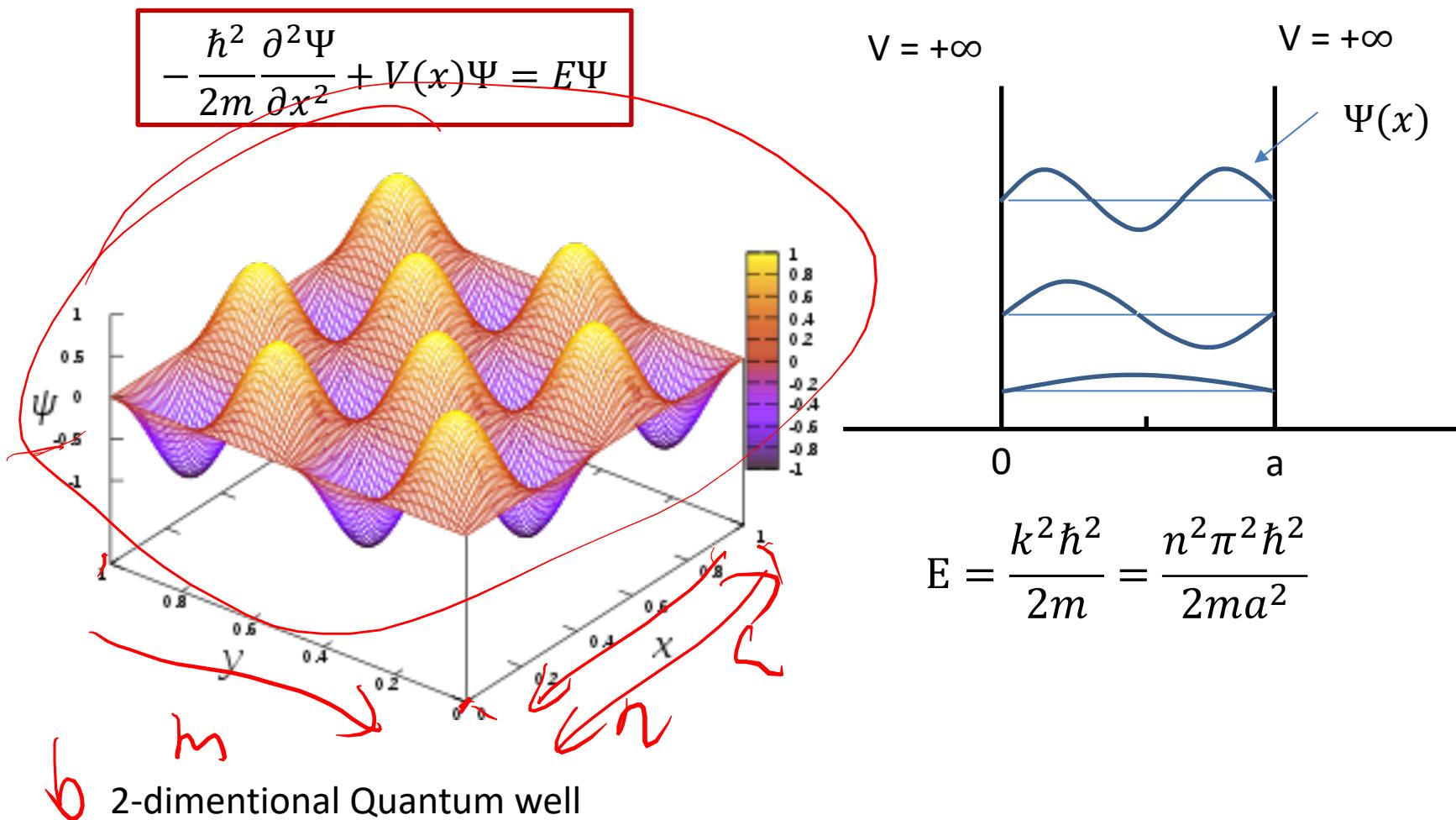
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$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} + V(x)\Psi = E\Psi$$

Conditions:

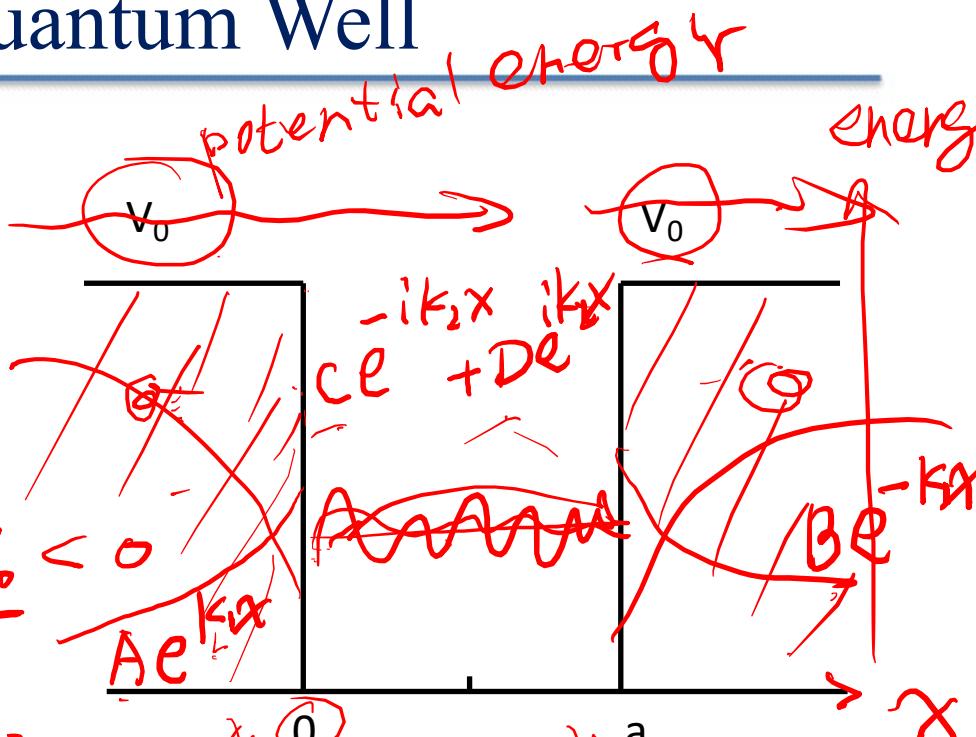
$$\text{for } x \leq 0, x \geq a$$

$$V(x) = V_0;$$

$$\text{for } 0 < x < a$$

$$V(x) = 0$$

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E)}}{\hbar}$$



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

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

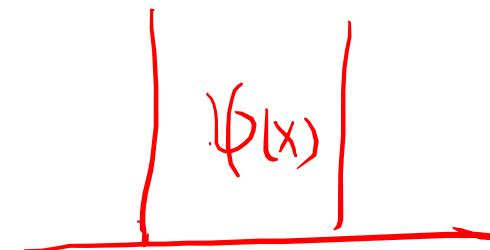
$$\psi(x) = A e^{kx} + B e^{-kx}$$

$$k = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E)}}{\hbar}$$

2.5 Electrons in Finite Quantum Well

$$0 < x < a \quad V(x) = 0$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + V(x) \cdot \psi = E \cdot \psi$$



$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = E \psi$$

$$k = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi$$

$$\psi(x) = C \cdot e^{-ikx} + D e^{+ikx}$$



2.5 Electrons in Finite Quantum Well

If $E < V_0$

$$k_1 = i \sqrt{\frac{2m(V_0 - E)}{\hbar^2}}$$

Boundary Conditions:

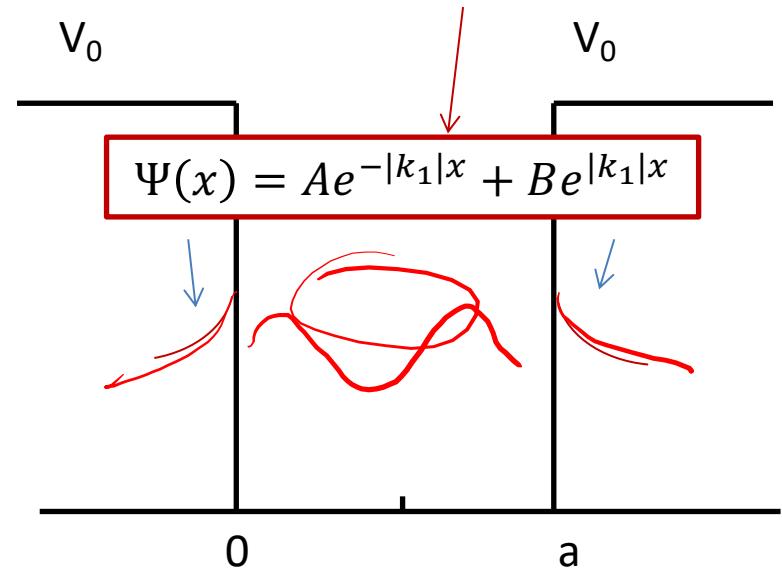
$$\Psi(x)|_{x=a,0} \text{ continuous}$$

$$\Psi'(x)|_{x=a,0} \text{ continuous}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x)\Psi^*(x)dx = 1$$

for $x < 0, x > a$

$$\boxed{\Psi(x) = Ae^{-ik_1x} + Be^{ik_1x}}$$



$$k_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(E - V_0)}{\hbar^2}}$$

for $0 \leq x \leq a$

$$\boxed{\Psi(x) = Ce^{-ik_2x} + De^{ik_2x}}$$

$$k_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$



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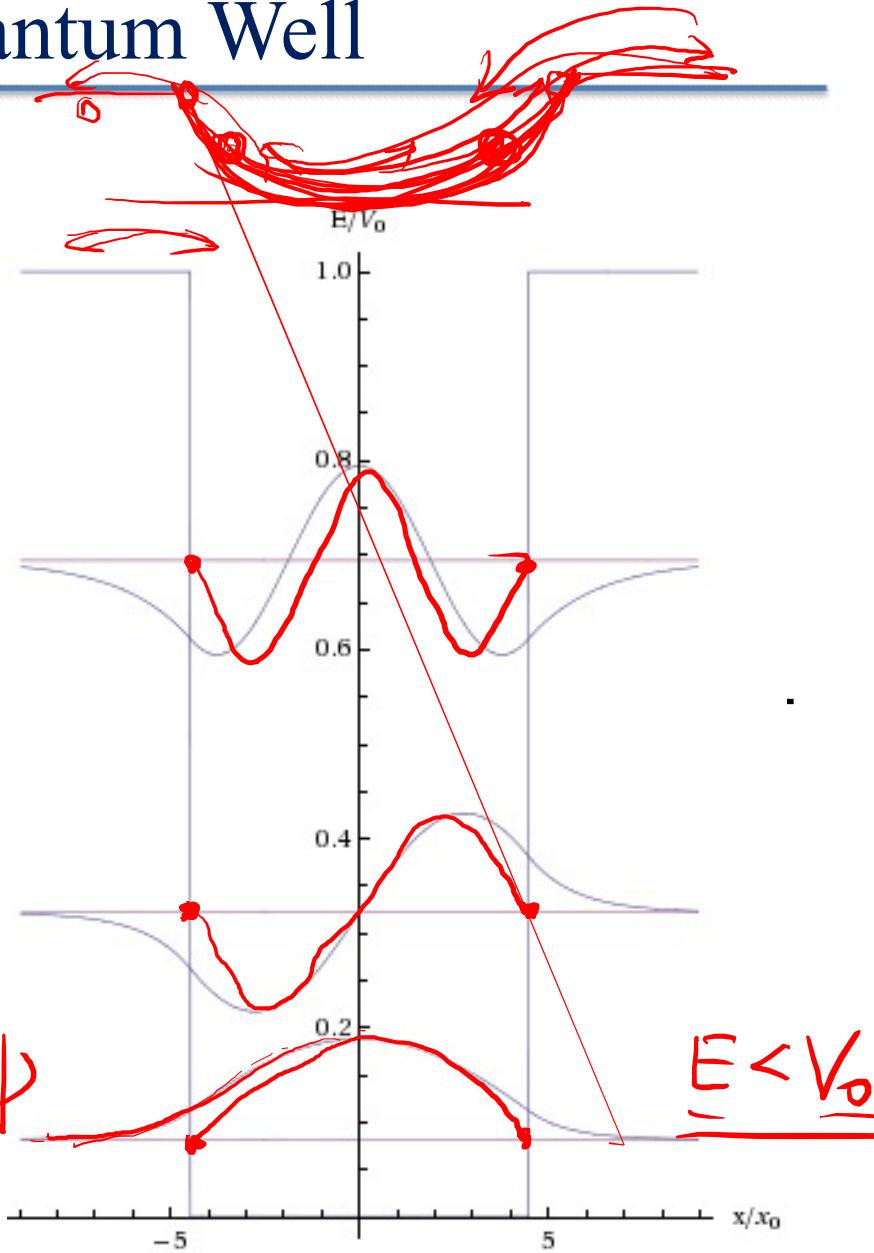
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for $x < 0, x > a$

$$\boxed{\Psi(r) = Ae^{-ik_1x} + Be^{ik_1x}}$$

for $0 \leq x \leq a$

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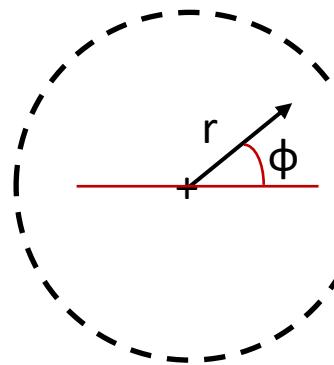
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2.6 Electrons in an Atom

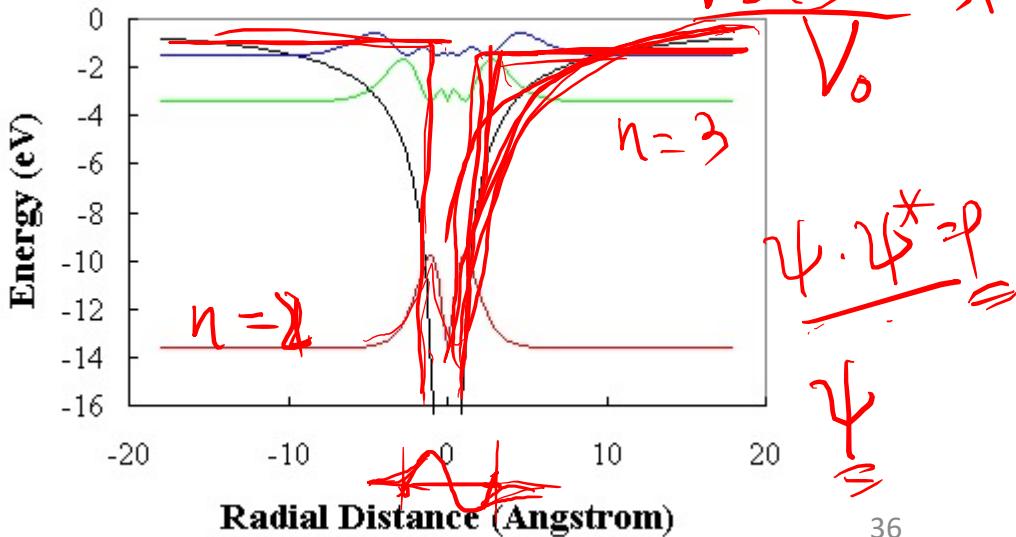
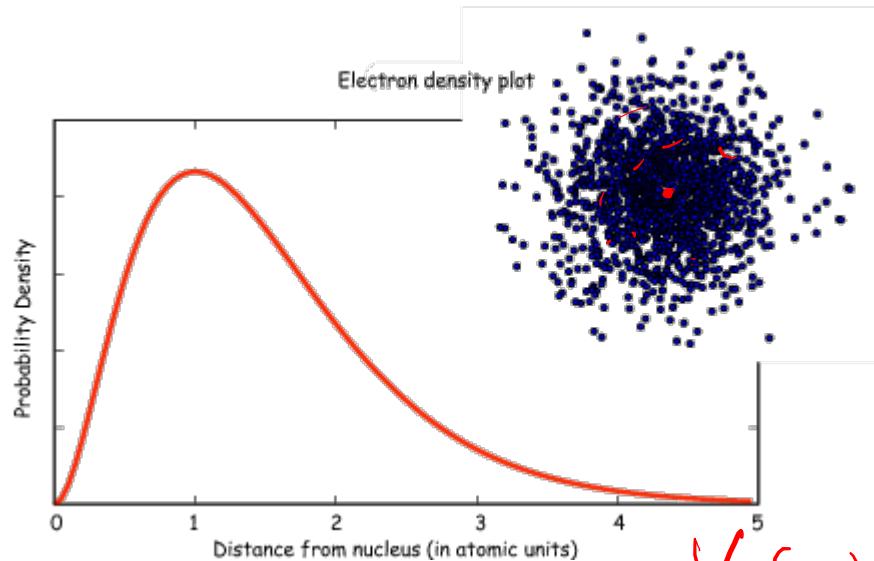
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Periodic boundary conditions

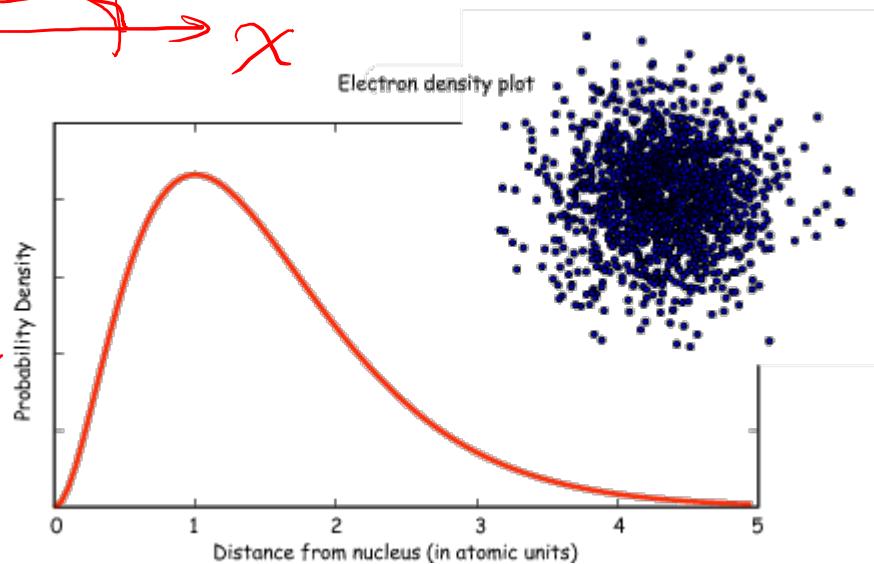
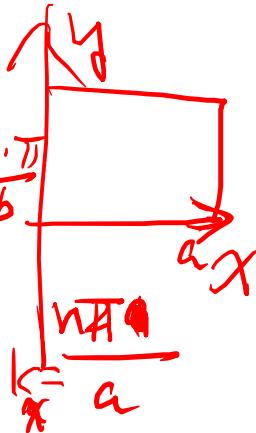
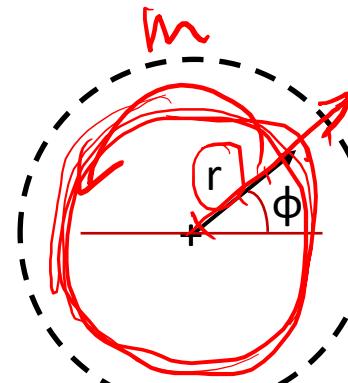
$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \psi = E \psi$$

A hand-drawn diagram of a sphere. A point labeled x is marked inside the sphere. The surface of the sphere is labeled c .

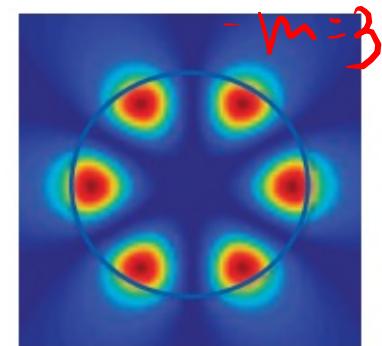
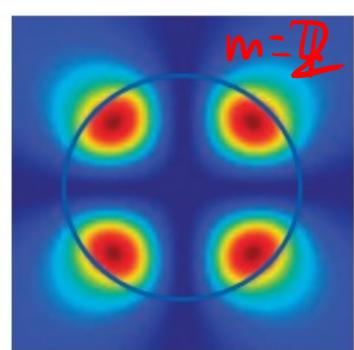
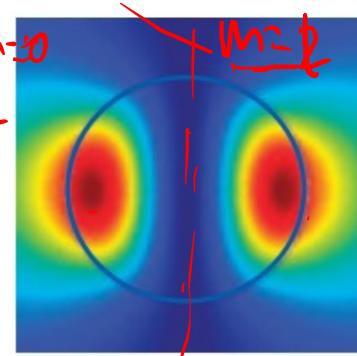
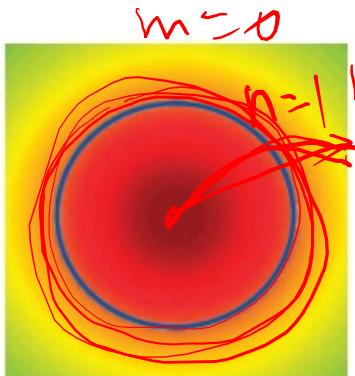


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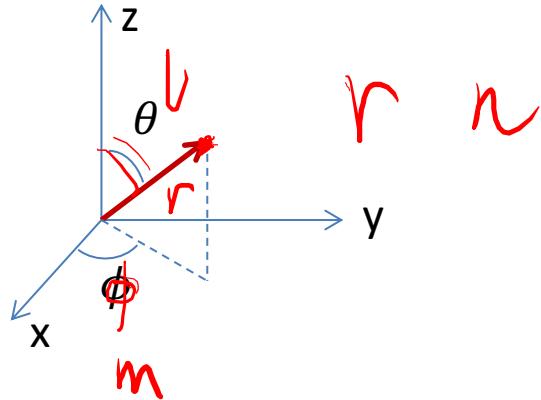


Periodic boundary conditions



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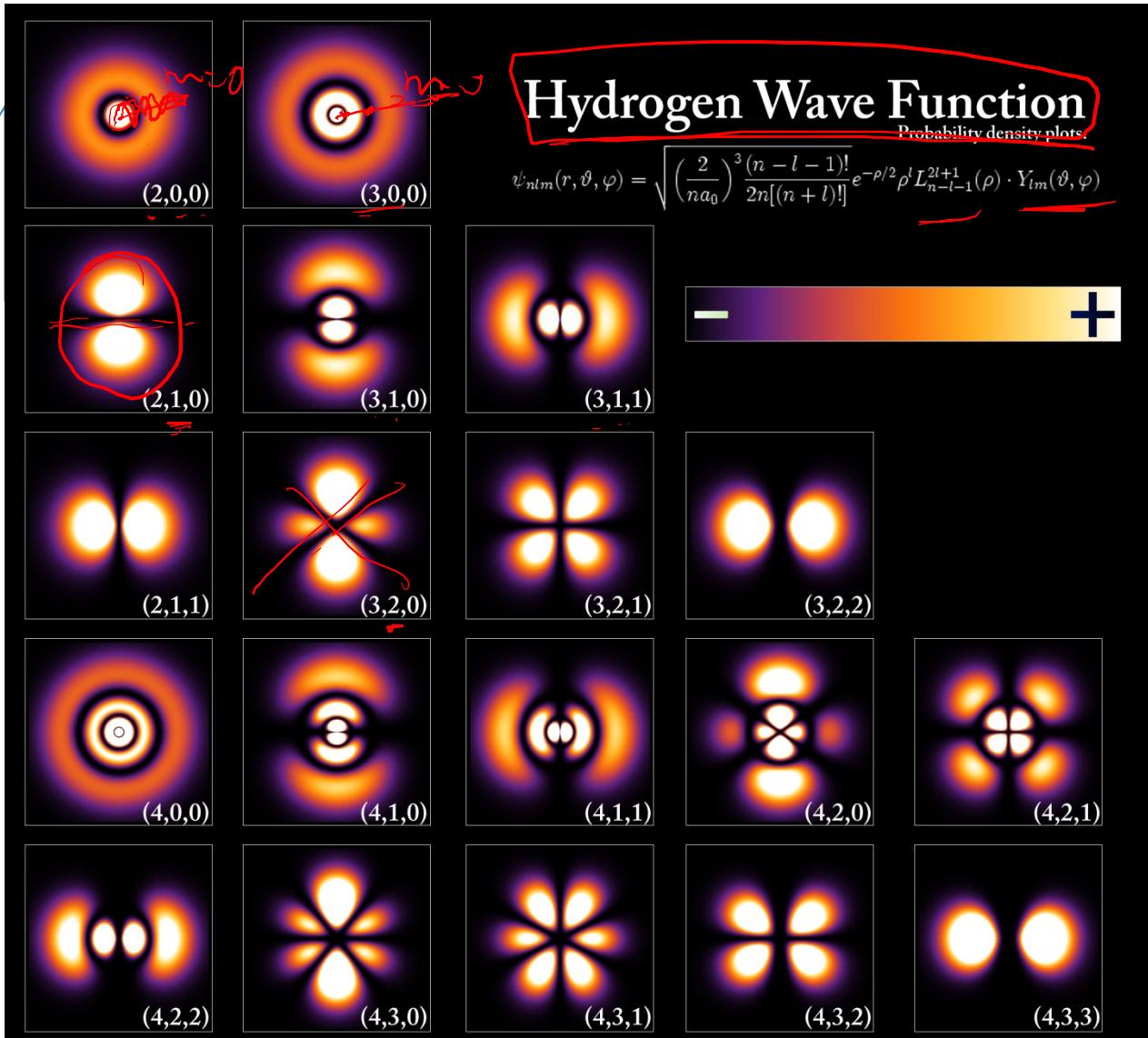
$$\Psi_{r,\theta,\phi} = R_n^l(r) Y_l^m(\phi, \theta)$$

2.6 Electrons in an Atom

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Table 2.1 | Initial portion of the periodic table

Element	Notation	n	l	m	
Hydrogen	<u>$1s^1$</u>	<u>1</u>	0	0	
Helium	<u>$1s^2$</u>	<u>1</u>	0	0	
Lithium	<u>$1s^2 2s^1$</u>	2	0	0	
Beryllium	$1s^2 2s^2$	2	0	0	
Boron	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^1$	2	1		
Carbon	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$	2	1		
Nitrogen	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^3$	2	1		
Oxygen	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^4$	2	1		
Fluorine	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^5$	2	1		
Neon	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$	2	1		

