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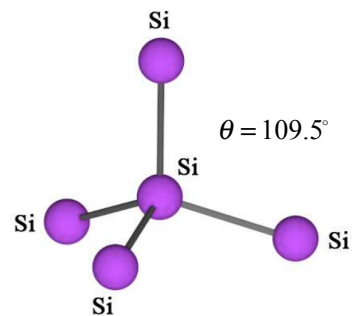
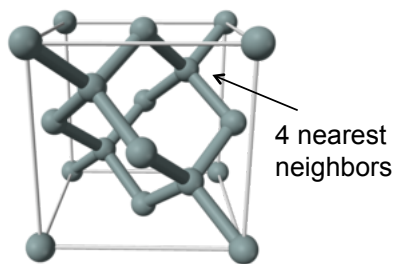
L3: Quantum Mechanics

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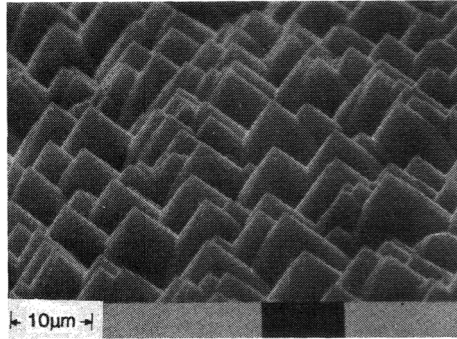


tetrahedral bonding in the diamond lattice



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Anisotropic etching of Si

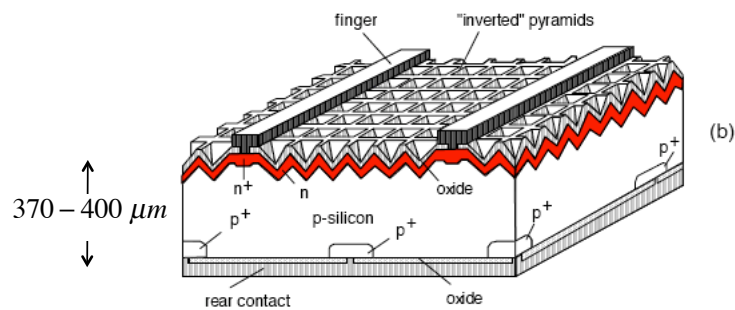


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Anisotropic etching of Si



24.5% at 1 sun

Martin Green Group UNSW – Zhao, et al, 1998

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motivation for quantum mechanics

- 1) Black body radiation (Planck)

$$E = hf = \hbar\omega$$

- 2) Photoelectric effect (Einstein)

$$E = hf = \hbar\omega$$

- 3) Atomic spectra (Bohr)

- 4) Wave-particle duality (de Broglie)

$$p = \hbar k = h/\lambda$$

Schroedinger wave equation

$$KE + PE = E$$

$$\Psi(x,t) = e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$KE = \frac{p^2}{2m_0}$$

$$\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Psi(x,t) = \hbar k \Psi(x,t)$$

$$\hat{p} \Psi(x,t) = \hbar k \Psi(x,t)$$

$$\hat{p} \equiv \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$\hat{p}[\hat{p}\Psi(x,t)] = (\hbar k)^2 \Psi(x,t)$$

$$-\hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Psi(x,t) = (\hbar k)^2 \Psi(x,t)$$

$$\hat{p}^2 \Psi(x,t) = -\hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Psi(x,t)$$

$$\frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m_0} \Psi(x,t) = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Psi(x,t)$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m_0} \Psi(x,t)$$

$$= KE \Psi(x,t)$$

Schroedinger wave equation

$$(KE)\Psi(x,t) + PE\Psi(x,t) = E\Psi(x,t) \qquad -\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(x,t) = \hbar\omega\Psi(x,t)$$

$$\Psi(x,t) = e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$$\hat{E} = -\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

$$PE = U(x)$$

$$\hat{E}\Psi(x,t) = \hbar\omega\Psi(x,t)$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Psi(x,t) + U(x,t)\Psi(x,t) = E\Psi(x,t)$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Psi(x,t) + U(x,t)\Psi(x,t) = -\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t}$$

Time-independent Schroedinger wave equation

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Psi(x,t) + U(x,t)\Psi(x,t) = -\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t}$$

$$\Psi(x,t) = \psi(x)\phi(t) \quad \text{“separation of variables”}$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} \phi(t) + U(x,t)\psi(x)\phi(t) = -\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t} \psi(x)$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} \frac{1}{\psi(x)} + U(x) = -\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t} \frac{1}{\phi(t)}$$

Time independent Schrodinger wave equation

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + U(x) = c \quad -\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t} = c$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{d^2 \psi(x)}{dx^2} + U(x) \psi(x) = E \psi(x)$$

$$\Psi(x,t) = \psi(x) \phi(t) = \psi(x) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\omega = \frac{E}{\hbar}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t} = c \phi(t)$$

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

$$-\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \phi(t)}{\partial t} = \hbar \omega \phi(t) = c \phi(t)$$

$$c = \hbar \omega = E$$

Time independent Schrodinger wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2m_0}{\hbar} [E - U(x)] \psi(x) = 0$$

$$E > U(x)$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_0} \frac{d^2 \psi(x)}{dx^2} + U(x) \psi(x) = E \psi(x)$$

$$k^2 = \frac{2m_0}{\hbar} [E - U(x)]$$

$$\psi(x) = A e^{\pm ikx}$$

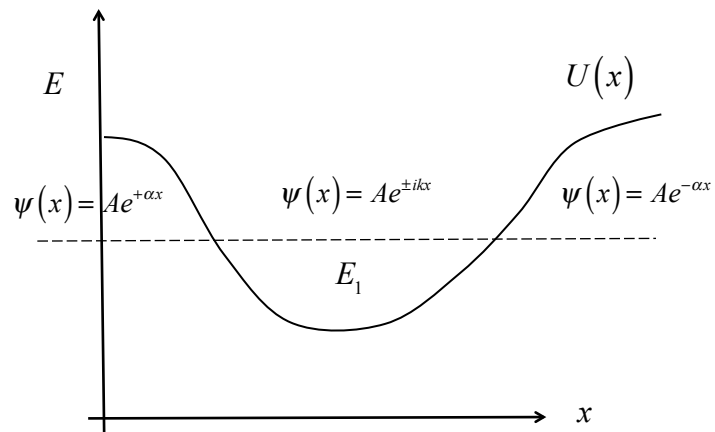
$$E < U(x)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} - \alpha^2 \psi(x) = 0$$

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{2m_0}{\hbar} [U(x) - E]$$

$$\psi(x) = A e^{\pm \alpha x}$$

solutions of the SE



quantum effects

- 1) Plane waves
- 2) Quantum confinement
- 3) Quantum reflection and tunneling
- 4) Plane waves **and** quantum confinement

Plane waves

$$\frac{d^2\psi(x)}{dx^2} + \frac{2m_0}{\hbar} [E - U_0] \psi(x) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi(x)}{dx^2} + k^2\psi(x) = 0$$

$$\psi(x) = Ae^{\pm ikx}$$

$$\psi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} e^{ikx} \quad (\text{normalized in 1D})$$

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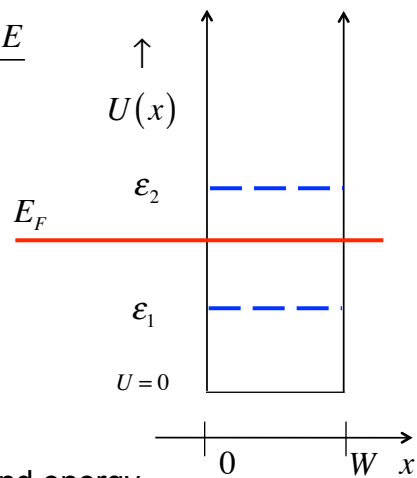
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particle in a box

$$\frac{d^2\psi(x)}{dx^2} + k^2\psi = 0 \quad k^2 = \frac{2m^*E}{\hbar^2}$$

$$\psi(x) = \sin k_n x$$

$$\epsilon_n = \frac{\hbar^2 k_n^2}{2m^*} = \frac{\hbar^2 n^2 \pi^2}{2m^* W^2}$$

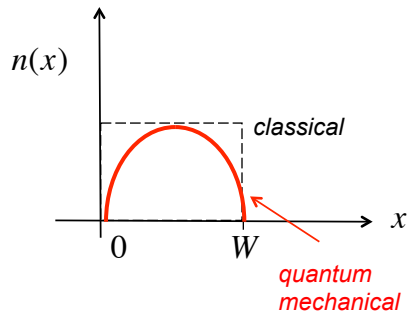


light mass
narrow width ϵ high subband energy

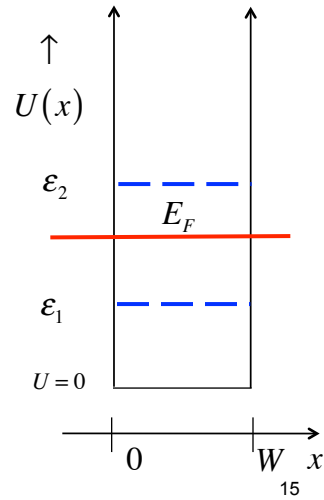
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carrier densities



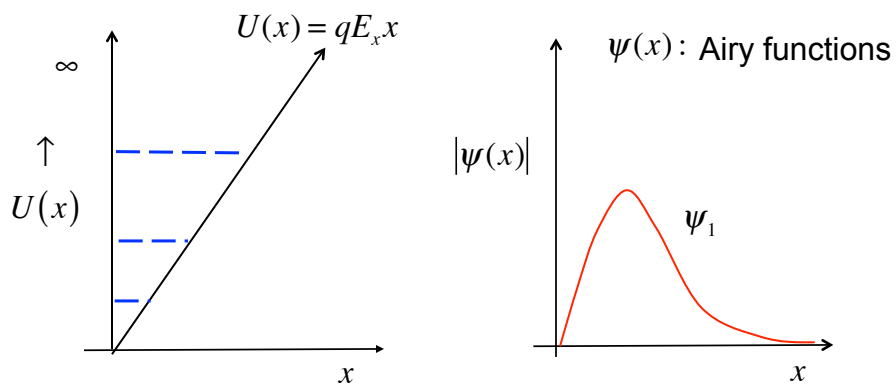
$$n(x) \propto \psi^*(x)\psi(x)$$



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triangular quantum well



$$\epsilon_i = \left[\frac{3\hbar q E_x}{4\sqrt{2}m^*} (i + 3/4) \right]^{2/3} \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad \langle x \rangle = \frac{2E_i}{3qE}$$

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