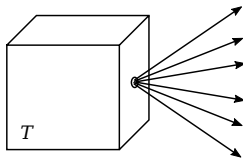
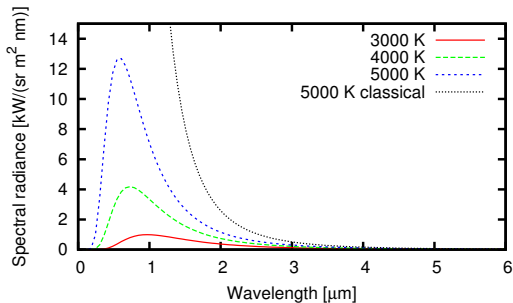


## Review of basic quantum mechanics

### Reading:

- ▶ Kasap: 3.1 - 3.8, 4.6
- ▶ Griffiths QM: 1 - 2, 9.1 - 9.2

# Blackbody radiation



- ▶ Spectrum of light (EM waves) emitted by a perfect absorber (black body)
- ▶ Experimental realization of blackbody: pinhole in a closed box
- ▶ Spectrum peaks at a wavelength inversely proportional to  $T$
- ▶ Solar spectrum  $\approx$  black body radiation at 5800 K
- ▶ (All this was known before 1900!)

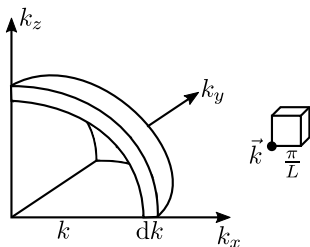
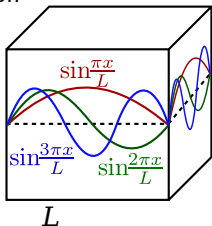
## EM modes in a box

- ▶ Standing EM waves in a box:  $\sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$  in each direction
- ▶ Overall modes:  $\sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{L} \sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{L} \sin \frac{n_z \pi z}{L}$
- ▶ Wavevector  $\vec{k} = (k_x, k_y, k_z) = \left( \frac{n_x \pi}{L}, \frac{n_y \pi}{L}, \frac{n_z \pi}{L} \right)$
- ▶ Between wavevector magnitude  $k$  and  $k + dk$ :
- ▶ Volume in  $\vec{k}$ -space:  $\frac{4\pi k^2 dk}{8}$
- ▶ Volume per  $\vec{k}$ :  $\left(\frac{\pi}{L}\right)^3$
- ▶ Number of modes per  $\vec{k}$ : 2 polarizations
- ▶ Number of modes per unit volume:

$$2 \cdot \frac{4\pi k^2 dk}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{L}{\pi}\right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{L^3} = \frac{k^2 dk}{\pi^2}$$

- ▶ In terms of wavelength  $\lambda = 2\pi/k$ :

$$\frac{1}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^2 \left|d\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right| = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^2 \frac{2\pi d\lambda}{\lambda^2} = \frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4} d\lambda$$



## Classical theory: equipartition theorem

- ▶ Each mode: classical wave with any amplitude  $A$  with energy  $E = c_0 A^2$
- ▶ At temperature  $T$ , probability of energy  $E$  is  $\propto e^{-E/(k_B T)}$
- ▶ Average energy at temperature  $T$  is

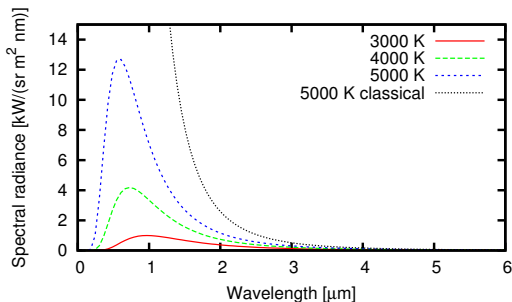
$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle E \rangle &\equiv \frac{\int_0^\infty dA e^{-E/(k_B T)} E}{\int_0^\infty dA e^{-E/(k_B T)}} \\
 &= \frac{\int_0^\infty d\sqrt{E/c_0} e^{-E/(k_B T)} E}{\int_0^\infty d\sqrt{E/c_0} e^{-E/(k_B T)}} \\
 &= \frac{\int_0^\infty dE e^{-E/(k_B T)} E^{1/2}}{\int_0^\infty dE e^{-E/(k_B T)} E^{-1/2}} \\
 &= \frac{(k_B T)^{3/2} \Gamma(3/2)}{(k_B T)^{1/2} \Gamma(1/2)} \\
 &= \frac{k_B T}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Oscillators: kinetic and potential energies  $\Rightarrow \langle E \rangle = k_B T$
- ▶ EM waves: electric and magnetic fields  $\Rightarrow \langle E \rangle = k_B T$

# Rayleigh-Jean's law

- ▶ Number of modes per wavelength:  $\frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4}$
- ▶ Energy per mode:  $k_B T$
- ▶ Power radiated per surface area:  $\times \frac{c}{4}$
- ▶ Spectral power per surface area:

$$I_\lambda = \frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4} \cdot k_B T \cdot \frac{c}{4} = \frac{2\pi c k_B T}{\lambda^4}$$



## Planck hypothesis

- ▶ Energies for a mode with frequency  $\nu$  only allowed in increments of  $h\nu$
- ▶ In terms of angular frequency  $\omega = 2\pi\nu$ , in increments of  $\hbar\omega$
- ▶ With an as yet-undetermined constant  $h$  (or  $\hbar = h/(2\pi)$ )
- ▶ At temperature  $T$ ,  $n$  units of energy  $h\nu$  with probability  $\propto e^{-nh\nu/(k_B T)}$
- ▶ Average number of energy units

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle n \rangle &\equiv \frac{\sum_n e^{-nh\nu/(k_B T)} n}{\sum_n e^{-nh\nu/(k_B T)}} = \frac{\sum_n e^{-n\alpha} n}{\sum_n e^{-n\alpha}} & (\alpha \equiv h\nu/(k_B T)) \\
 &= \frac{-\frac{d}{d\alpha} \sum_n e^{-n\alpha}}{\sum_n e^{-n\alpha}} = -\frac{d}{d\alpha} \ln \sum_n e^{-n\alpha} \\
 &= -\frac{d}{d\alpha} \ln \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\alpha}} = \frac{e^{-\alpha}}{1 - e^{-\alpha}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{e^{h\nu/(k_B T)} - 1} \\
 \langle E \rangle &= \langle n \rangle h\nu = \frac{h\nu}{e^{h\nu/(k_B T)} - 1}
 \end{aligned}$$

# Modification of equipartition theorem

- ▶ Average energy per mode changes to

$$\langle E \rangle = \frac{h\nu}{e^{h\nu/(k_B T)} - 1}$$

- ▶ For  $h\nu \ll k_B T$

$$\langle E \rangle \approx \frac{h\nu}{h\nu/(k_B T)} = k_B T$$

classical regime with  $\langle n \rangle \gg 1$

- ▶ For  $h\nu \gg k_B T$

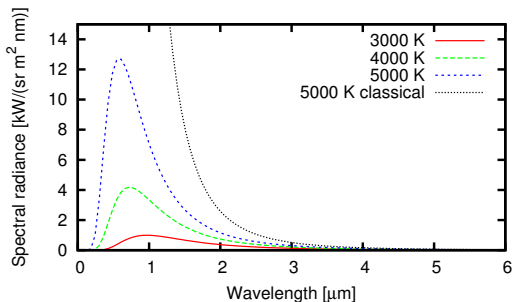
$$\langle E \rangle \approx \frac{h\nu}{e^{h\nu/(k_B T)}} = h\nu e^{-h\nu/(k_B T)}$$

new regime with  $\langle n \rangle \ll 1$

# Planck's law

- ▶ Number of modes per wavelength:  $\frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4}$  (as before)
- ▶ Energy per mode:  $\frac{hc/\lambda}{e^{hc/(\lambda k_B T)} - 1}$  (new, using  $\nu = c/\lambda$ )
- ▶ Power radiated per surface area:  $\times \frac{c}{4}$  (as before)
- ▶ Spectral power per surface area:

$$I_\lambda = \frac{8\pi}{\lambda^4} \cdot \frac{hc/\lambda}{e^{hc/(\lambda k_B T)} - 1} \cdot \frac{c}{4} = \frac{2\pi hc^2}{\lambda^5 (e^{hc/(\lambda k_B T)} - 1)}$$





## Planck's law features

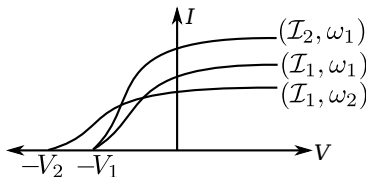
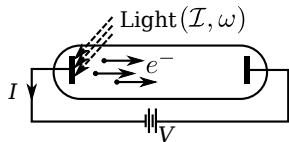
- ▶ Has a maximum at  $\lambda \approx \frac{hc}{5k_B T}$  (Wein's displacement law)
- ▶ Determine  $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34}$  Js,  $\hbar = h/(2\pi) = 1.055 \times 10^{-34}$  Js
- ▶ Total energy per surface area radiated by black body (Stefan's law)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_S &\equiv \int_0^\infty d\lambda I_\lambda = \int_0^\infty d\lambda \frac{2\pi hc^2}{\lambda^5 (e^{hc/(\lambda k_B T)} - 1)} \\
 &= \int_0^\infty d\left(\frac{hc}{x k_B T}\right) \frac{2\pi hc^2}{(hc/(x k_B T))^5 (e^x - 1)} && (x \equiv hc/(\lambda k_B T)) \\
 &= 2\pi hc^2 \left(\frac{hc}{k_B T}\right)^{-4} \int_0^\infty x^{-2} dx \frac{x^5}{(e^x - 1)} \\
 &= T^4 \cdot \underbrace{\frac{2\pi k_B^4 \pi^4}{h^3 c^2}}_{\sigma} \\
 \sigma &= \frac{2\pi^5 k_B^4}{15 h^3 c^2} = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2 \text{K}^4)
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Agrees very well with radiated heat measurements.  
(What is the classical result for  $\sigma$ ?)

## Photoelectric effect

- ▶ Light ejects electrons from cathode  $\Rightarrow I$  at  $V = 0$
- ▶  $V \uparrow \Rightarrow I \uparrow$  till saturation (all ejected electrons collected)
- ▶  $V \downarrow \Rightarrow I \downarrow$  till  $I = 0$ :  
all electrons stopped at  $V = -V_0$
- ▶ Increase intensity  $\mathcal{I}$ :  
higher saturation  $I$  but same stopping  $V$
- ▶ Increase frequency  $\omega$ :  
higher stopping  $V$
- ▶ Stopping action:  $eV_0 = KE_{\max}$
- ▶ Experiment finds  $eV_0 \propto (\omega - \omega_0)$
- ▶ In fact  $eV_0 = \hbar(\omega - \omega_0)$
- ▶ Different cathodes  $\Rightarrow$  different  $\omega_0$   
but same slope  $\hbar$  identical to that  
from Planck's law!
- ▶ Light waves with angular frequency  $\omega$  behave like  
particles (photons) with energy  $\hbar\omega$  (Einstein, 1905)
- ▶ Why does the saturation  $I \uparrow$  when  $\omega \uparrow$  at constant  $\mathcal{I}$ ?



## Compton scattering

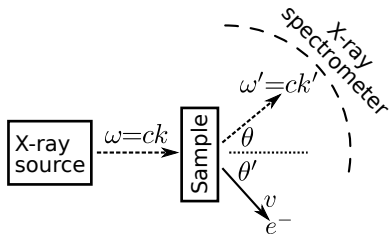
- ▶ X-ray ejects electron with part of its energy and remainder comes out as secondary X-ray
- ▶ Energy conservation  $\hbar\omega = \hbar\omega' + \frac{1}{2}mv^2$  (assuming  $\omega_0 \ll \omega$ )
- ▶ Output X-ray at angle  $\theta$  has specific frequency  $\omega'$ . Why?
- ▶ Photon also has momentum  $\vec{p} = \hbar\vec{k}$  (magnitude  $\hbar\omega/c$ )
- ▶ Momentum conservation

$$\frac{\hbar\omega}{c} = \frac{\hbar\omega'}{c} \cos \theta + mv \cos \theta'$$

$$0 = \frac{\hbar\omega'}{c} \sin \theta - mv \sin \theta'$$

- ▶ Eliminate electron unknowns ( $v, \theta'$ )

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\omega^2 + \omega'^2 - \frac{2mc^2}{\hbar}(\omega - \omega')}{2\omega\omega'}$$



# Wave-particle duality

- ▶ Light is a wave: electric and magnetic fields oscillating  $\sim e^{-i\omega t}$ 
  - ▶ All of classical wave-optics: diffraction etc.
- ▶ Light is particulate: photons with energy  $\hbar\omega$  and momentum  $\hbar\omega/c$ 
  - ▶ Black-body radiation
  - ▶ Photoelectric effect
  - ▶ Compton scattering

# Electrons

- ▶ Discovered as 'cathode rays' in vacuum tube experiments (1869)
- ▶ Deflection by magnetic fields to measure charge/mass (1896)
- ▶ Charge measured in Millikan's oil drop experiment (1909)
- ▶ Particle with mass  $m \approx 9 \times 10^{-31}$  kg and charge  $-e \approx -1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  C known by early days of atomic theory and quantum theory
- ▶ Is it also a wave?

## De Broglie wavelength

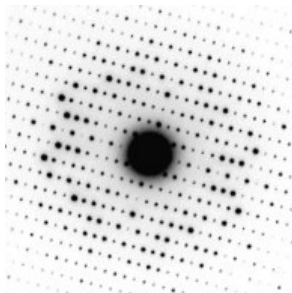
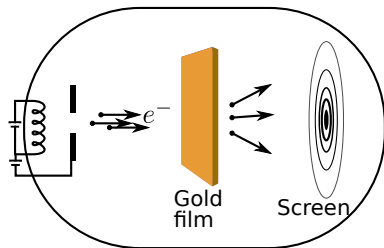
- ▶ Yes! With wavelength  $\lambda = h/p$  where  $p$  is the momentum
- ▶ For wavevector  $\vec{k}$  (of magnitude  $2\pi/\lambda$ ), this  $\Rightarrow \vec{p} = \hbar\vec{k}$  (same as photon)
- ▶ In terms of kinetic energy:

KE [eV]	electrons $\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mKE}} \text{ [\AA]}$	photons $\lambda = \frac{hc}{KE} \text{ [\AA]}$
1	12.3	$1.24 \times 10^4$
10	3.88	$1.24 \times 10^3$
100	1.23	124
$10^3$	0.388	12.4
$10^4$	0.123	1.24
$10^5$	0.0388	0.124
$10^6$	0.0123	0.0124

- ▶ This rule applies to all particles / matter, not just electrons and photons
- ▶ What is your typical wavelength when walking? (Why don't you diffract?)

# Electron diffraction

- ▶ Use gold film as grating (GP Thomson, 1927)
- ▶ Polycrystalline  $\Rightarrow$  rings (like powder X-ray diffraction)
- ▶ Modern version: transmission electron microscopy (TEM)
- ▶  $\sim 100$  keV energies  $\Rightarrow \lambda \sim 0.05$  Å  $\Rightarrow$  atomic resolution



# Schrodinger equation

- ▶ The wave equation for non-relativistic particles with mass  $m$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2 \psi}{2m} + V(\vec{r}, t) \psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}$$

- ▶ Wave function  $\psi(\vec{r}, t)$ : analogous to  $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t)$  or  $\vec{B}(\vec{r}, t)$  for EM waves
- ▶ For EM wave, intensity is proportional to  $|E|^2$
- ▶ Interpret intensity as the probability of finding light
- ▶ Quantum mechanically,  $|\psi(\vec{r})|^2$  is the probability density of finding particle at  $\vec{r}$  (normalized as  $\int d\vec{r} |\psi(\vec{r})|^2 = 1$ )
- ▶ Note  $\vec{E}(\vec{r})$  actually is the wavefunction of a photon in the quantum theory of EM waves



## Free particle

$$-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2 \psi}{2m} + V(\vec{r}, t) \psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}$$

- ▶ Let potential be constant in space and time i.e.  $V(\vec{r}, t) = V_0$
- ▶ Solution of the form  $\psi(\vec{r}, t) = e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$

$$\frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + V_0 = \hbar \omega$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{p^2}{2m}}_{\text{Kinetic}} + \underbrace{V_0}_{\text{Potential}} = \underbrace{E}_{\text{Total}}$$

- ▶ Note how De Broglie and Planck hypothesis connect classical and quantum relations.)
- ▶ Where is the particle?  
*Everywhere* with a well-defined momentum  $\vec{p} = \hbar \vec{k}$

# Time-independent Schrodinger equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2 \psi}{2m} + V(\vec{r}, t) \psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}$$

- ▶ Let potential be constant in space i.e.  $V(\vec{r}, t) = V(\vec{r})$
- ▶ LHS independent of  $t$ : separation of variables  $\psi(\vec{r}, t) = \psi(\vec{r})T(t)$

$$\frac{-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2 \psi(\vec{r})}{2m} + V(\vec{r})\psi(\vec{r})}{\psi(\vec{r})} = \frac{i\hbar \frac{\partial T(t)}{\partial t}}{T(t)} = \text{const.} = E \quad (\text{say})$$

- ▶ Then  $T(t) = e^{-iEt/\hbar}$  and  $\psi(\vec{r})$  is an eigenfunction of

$$-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2 \psi}{2m} + V(\vec{r})\psi(\vec{r}) = E\psi(\vec{r}) \quad (\text{Time-independent Schrodinger equation})$$

- ▶ Note for time dependence  $e^{-i(E/\hbar)t}$ , angular frequency is  $E/\hbar$ , energy is the eigenvalue  $E$

## Particle in a box

- ▶ Need to solve time-independent Schrodinger equation

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

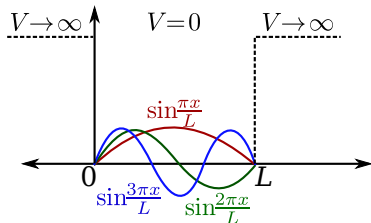
- ▶ When  $V(x) \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\psi(x) \rightarrow 0$  for finite  $E$
- ▶ Effectively, with  $\psi(0) = \psi(L) = 0$ , solve

$$\partial_x^2 \psi = - \underbrace{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}_{k^2} \psi(x)$$

- ▶ Solutions  $\cos kx$  and  $\sin kx$  (or  $e^{\pm ikx}$ )
- ▶ Boundary conditions only allow  $\sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$

$$k = n \frac{\pi}{L} \quad \text{and} \quad E = n^2 \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2}$$

- ▶ Energy is 'quantized': only discrete values allowed



## Particle in a box: ground state

- States with discrete energies and (normalized) wavefunctions:

$$E_n = n^2 \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2}, \quad \psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$$

labeled by 'quantum number'  $n$

- Lowest energy ( $n = 1$  here) is ground state:

$$E_1 = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2}, \quad \psi_1(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$$

- What should it have been classically?

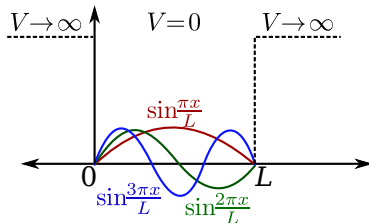
Zero.  $E_1$  is confinement energy  $\approx \frac{0.38 \text{ eV}}{(L \text{ in nm})^2}$

- Where is the particle?

Distributed between 0 and  $L$  with probability  $\frac{2}{L} \sin^2 \frac{\pi x}{L}$  (**Range:  $L$** )

- What is its momentum?

Since  $\sin k_1 x = (e^{ik_1 x} - e^{-ik_1 x})/2i$ , one of  $\pm \hbar k_1$  i.e.  $\pm \frac{\hbar \pi}{L}$  (**Range:  $\frac{2\pi \hbar}{L}$** )



## Heisenberg's uncertainty principle

- ▶ In previous example: range in  $x$  was  $L$  and range in  $p$  was  $\frac{2\pi\hbar}{L}$
- ▶ More precisely, standard deviation in  $x$  is  $\Delta x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{2\pi^2}}L \approx 0.18L$  and standard deviation in  $p$  is  $\Delta p = \frac{\pi\hbar}{L}$
- ▶ Narrower well  $\Rightarrow$  reduce  $\Delta x$ , but increase  $\Delta p$
- ▶ In this case,  $\Delta x \cdot \Delta p \approx 0.57\hbar$
- ▶ Heisenberg's uncertainty principle

$$\Delta x \cdot \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

- ▶ What is the corresponding relation for photons?
- ▶ Exactly the same: in fact this is purely a wave-mechanics property

$$\Delta x \cdot \Delta k \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

applicable to all classical waves as well

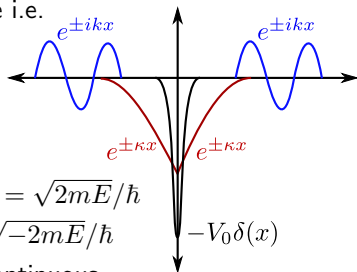
## Another example: 1D ' $\delta$ -atom'

- ▶ Consider the potential  $V(x) = -V_0\delta(x)$  (an infinitely-deep, infinitely-narrow well)
- ▶ Except at  $x = 0$ , potential is zero everywhere i.e.

$$\partial_x^2\psi = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}\psi(x)$$

with solutions  $e^{\pm ix\sqrt{2mE}/\hbar}$

- ▶ For  $E > 0$ , oscillatory solutions  $e^{\pm ikx}$  with  $k = \sqrt{2mE}/\hbar$
- ▶ For  $E < 0$ , bound solutions  $e^{\pm \kappa x}$  with  $\kappa = \sqrt{-2mE}/\hbar$
- ▶ In general  $\psi(x)$  and  $\psi'(x) \equiv \partial_x\psi$  must be continuous
- ▶ But where  $V \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\psi'(x)$  will be discontinuous



## Derivative discontinuity of wavefunction

- ▶ Schrodinger equation in a  $\delta$ -potential:

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

- ▶ Integrate in a small neighbourhood around  $x = 0$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\int_{-\epsilon}^{+\epsilon} dx\partial_x\psi'(x) - V_0\int_{-\epsilon}^{+\epsilon} dx\delta(x)\psi(x) = E\int_{-\epsilon}^{+\epsilon} dx\psi(x)$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}[\psi'(+\epsilon) - \psi'(-\epsilon)] - V_0\psi(0) = E\int_{-\epsilon}^{+\epsilon} dx\psi(x)$$

- ▶ Take limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ :

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}[\psi'(0^+) - \psi'(0^-)] - V_0\psi(0) = 0$$

$$\psi'(0^+) - \psi'(0^-) = -\frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2}\psi(0)$$

## $\delta$ -atom: bound state

- ▶ Consider the  $E < 0$  case, where solutions are  $e^{\pm\kappa x}$  for  $x < 0$  and  $x > 0$
- ▶ For  $x < 0$ , only  $e^{\kappa x}$  because  $e^{-\kappa x} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$
- ▶ For  $x > 0$ , only  $e^{-\kappa x}$  because  $e^{\kappa x} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$
- ▶ With continuity,  $\psi(x) = Ae^{-\kappa|x|}$
- ▶ Derivative condition:

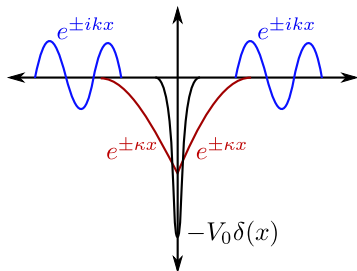
$$A(-\kappa) - A(\kappa) = -\frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2}A$$

gives  $\kappa = \frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2}$

- ▶ Single bound state ( $E < 0$ )

$$\psi(x) = \sqrt{\kappa}e^{-\kappa|x|}$$

which is the ground state in this potential



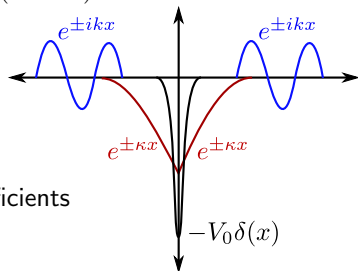


## $\delta$ -atom: free states

- ▶ Consider the  $E > 0$  case, where solutions are  $e^{\pm ikx}$  for  $x < 0$  and  $x > 0$
- ▶ For  $x < 0$ ,  $Ae^{ikx} + Be^{-ikx}$  (no restrictions)
- ▶ For  $x > 0$ ,  $Ce^{ikx} + De^{-ikx}$  (no restrictions)
- ▶ Continuity  $\Rightarrow A + B = C + D$
- ▶ Derivative condition:

$$(ikC - ikD) - (ikA - ikB) = -\frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2}(A + B)$$

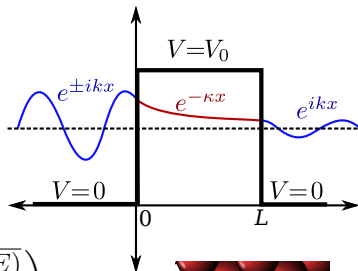
- ▶ Two free variables and two dependent among  $A, B, C, D$
- ▶ If  $D = 0$ ,  $A$  incoming wave from  $-\infty$ , reflects to  $B$  and transmits to  $C$
- ▶ Solve to get reflection and transmission coefficients



# Tunneling

- ▶ Consider particle with energy  $0 < E < V_0$
- ▶ Classically, particle cannot cross barrier  $V_0$  higher than its energy
- ▶  $\psi \propto e^{\pm ikx}$  with  $k = \sqrt{2mE}/\hbar$  in  $V = 0$  regions
- ▶  $\psi \propto e^{\pm \kappa x}$  with  $\kappa = \sqrt{2m(V_0 - E)}/\hbar$  in  $V = V_0$  regions
- ▶ Match wavefunctions at  $x = 0$  and  $x = L$  for wave incoming from left
- ▶ Probability of 'tunneling' to the right

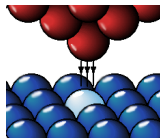
$$P \sim e^{-\kappa L} = \exp\left(-\frac{L\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E)}}{\hbar}\right)$$



- ▶ For more general barrier shape

$$P \sim \exp\left(-\frac{\int_{V(x)>E} dx \sqrt{2m(V(x) - E)}}{\hbar}\right)$$

- ▶ Responsible for atomic resolution in STM



## How do waves show particulate behaviour?

- ▶ So far, only option in free space are particles distributed *everywhere*.
- ▶ Above true for energy and momentum eigenstates
- ▶ No longer the case for states which combine many energies and momenta
- ▶ Example: combine  $k$  around  $k_0$  with Gaussian distribution of width  $\sigma_k$

$$c(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_k} \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(k-k_0)^2 / (2\sigma_k^2)}$$

- ▶ This Gaussian 'wave-packet' has

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x, t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk c(k) e^{i(kx - \omega(k)t)} \quad \left( \hbar\omega(k) = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_k} \sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk \exp \left[ -\frac{(k - k_0)^2}{2\sigma_k^2} + i(kx - \omega(k)t) \right] \end{aligned}$$

# Gaussian wavepacket

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi(x, t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_k}\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk \exp \left[ -\frac{(k - k_0)^2}{2\sigma_k^2} + i(kx - \omega(k)t) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_k}\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk \exp \left[ \begin{array}{c} -\frac{(k-k_0)^2}{2\sigma_k^2} + ikx \\ -i(\omega(k_0)t + \omega'(k_0)(k - k_0)t + \dots) \end{array} \right] \\
 &= \frac{e^{i(k_0x - \omega(k_0)t)}}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_k}\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\Delta k \exp \left[ -\frac{\Delta k^2}{2\sigma_k^2} + i\Delta k(x - \omega'(k_0)t) \right] \\
 &= \frac{e^{i(k_0x - \omega(k_0)t) - \sigma_k^2(x - \omega'(k_0)t)^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_k}\sqrt{2\pi}} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\Delta k e^{-\frac{\{\Delta k - i\sigma_k^2(x - \omega'(k_0)t)\}^2}{2\sigma_k^2}}}_{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_k} \\
 &= \exp [i(k_0x - \omega(k_0)t)] \cdot \frac{\exp \left[ -\frac{(x - \omega'(k_0)t)^2}{2(\sigma_k^{-1})^2} \right]}{\sqrt{\sigma_k^{-1}}\sqrt{2\pi}}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Group and phase velocities

- ▶ Gaussian wavepacket

$$\psi(x, t) = \exp [i(k_0 x - \omega(k_0)t)] \cdot \frac{\exp \left[ -\frac{(x - \omega'(k_0)t)^2}{2(\sigma_k^{-1})^2} \right]}{\sqrt{\sigma_k^{-1}} \sqrt{2\pi}}$$

- ▶ Localized by Gaussian with width  $\sigma_x = \sigma_k^{-1}$  centered at  $x_0 = \omega'(k_0)t$
- ▶ Spread  $\Delta k = \sigma_k / \sqrt{2}$  and  $\Delta x = \sigma_x / \sqrt{2}$  (Why?)
- ▶ Minimum uncertainty product:  $\Delta k \cdot \Delta x = 1/2$
- ▶ Packet centered at  $x_0$  moves with group velocity

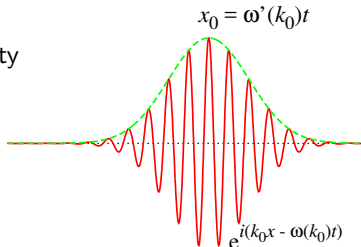
$$v_g = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k}$$

- ▶ Underlying waves propagate with phase velocity

$$v_p = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

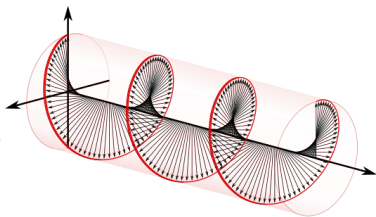
- ▶ For free particle with  $\omega = \hbar k^2 / (2m)$

$$v_g = \frac{p}{m} \quad \text{and} \quad v_p = \frac{p}{2m} \quad (p = \hbar k)$$



# Spin

- ▶ EM wave propagating along  $x$ :  $E_0 \hat{y} e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$  or  $E_0 \hat{z} e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$   
(two independent polarizations)
- ▶ Linearly combine to  $E_0 \frac{\hat{y} + i\hat{z}}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$  or  $E_0 \frac{\hat{y} - i\hat{z}}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$ : circular polarizations
- ▶ Quantize to a photon: circular polarizations will have (internal) angular momentum  $\pm \hbar$
- ▶ Angular momentum quantized in units of  $\hbar$
- ▶ Since maximum magnitude is 1, photon is a spin  $s = 1$  particle
- ▶ Electrons have internal angular momentum  $\pm \hbar/2$
- ▶ Electrons have spin  $s = 1/2$
- ▶ Integer spins: **bosons**, any number per state  
eg. photons, phonons,  $\text{He}^4$  etc.
- ▶ Half-integer spins: **fermions**, maximum one per state  
eg. electrons, protons, neutrons,  $\text{He}^3$  etc.



# Particles in a 3D box

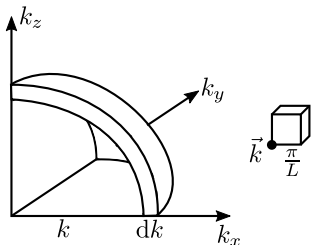
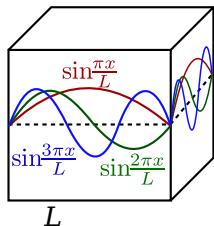
- ▶ Standing EM waves in a box:

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \text{ in each direction}$$

- ▶ Electronic wavefunctions: exactly the same!
- ▶ Overall modes:  $\left(\frac{2}{L}\right)^{3/2} \sin \frac{n_x\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{n_y\pi y}{L} \sin \frac{n_z\pi z}{L}$
- ▶ Wavevector  $\vec{k} = (k_x, k_y, k_z) = \left(\frac{n_x\pi}{L}, \frac{n_y\pi}{L}, \frac{n_z\pi}{L}\right)$
- ▶ Number of EM modes per  $\vec{k}$ : 2 polarizations
- ▶ Number of  $e^-$  states per  $\vec{k}$ : 2 spins
- ▶ Number of modes per unit volume between  $k$  and  $k + dk$ :

$$2 \cdot \frac{4\pi k^2 dk}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{L}{\pi}\right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{L^3} = \frac{k^2 dk}{\pi^2}$$

- ▶ Energy per photon  $\varepsilon = \hbar\omega = \hbar c|\vec{k}|$
- ▶ Energy per electron  $\varepsilon = \hbar\omega = \frac{\hbar^2|\vec{k}|^2}{2m}$



## Average number of particles per mode of energy $\varepsilon$

Probability of  $n$  particles  $\propto e^{-n\alpha}$ , where  $\alpha = \frac{\varepsilon - \mu}{k_B T}$  and chemical potential  $\mu$  controls number (zero for massless particles like photons)

**Bosons:** (eg. photons)

$$\begin{aligned}\langle n \rangle &\equiv \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-n\alpha} n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-n\alpha}} \\ &= -\frac{d}{d\alpha} \ln \sum_n e^{-n\alpha} \\ &= -\frac{d}{d\alpha} \ln \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\alpha}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{\varepsilon - \mu}{k_B T}\right) - 1}\end{aligned}$$

(Bose-Einstein distribution)

$$\langle E \rangle = \langle n \rangle \varepsilon = \frac{\varepsilon}{\exp\left(\frac{\varepsilon - \mu}{k_B T}\right) - 1}$$

**Fermions:** (eg. electrons)

$$\begin{aligned}\langle n \rangle &\equiv \frac{\sum_{n=0}^1 e^{-n\alpha} n}{\sum_{n=0}^1 e^{-n\alpha}} \\ &= \frac{e^0 \cdot 0 + e^{-\alpha} \cdot 1}{e^0 + e^{-\alpha}} \\ &= \frac{1}{e^{\alpha} + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{\varepsilon - \mu}{k_B T}\right) + 1}\end{aligned}$$

(Fermi-Dirac distribution)

$$\langle E \rangle = \langle n \rangle \varepsilon = \frac{\varepsilon}{\exp\left(\frac{\varepsilon - \mu}{k_B T}\right) + 1}$$

Classical equipartition result:  $\langle E \rangle = k_B T$



## Hydrogenic atom

- ▶ Single electron with a nucleus of charge  $+Ze$ , where  $Z$  is the atomic number
- ▶  $Z = 1$  is hydrogen,  $Z = 2$  is a  $\text{He}^+$  ion,  $Z = 3$  is  $\text{Li}^{2+}$  etc.
- ▶ Schrodinger equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2 \psi(\vec{r})}{2m} - \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \psi(\vec{r}) = E\psi(\vec{r})$$

separable in spherical coordinates resulting in eigenfunctions

$$\psi_{nlm}(\vec{r}) = R_{nl}(r)Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

and eigen-energies

$$E_{nlm} = -\frac{me^4}{32\pi^2\epsilon_0^2\hbar^2} \cdot \frac{Z^2}{n^2} = \frac{-Z^2}{2n^2} E_h = \frac{-Z^2}{n^2} \text{Ryd} \approx \frac{-Z^2}{n^2} (13.6 \text{ eV})$$

# Atomic quantum numbers

- ▶ For the box, we have  $n_x$ ,  $n_y$  and  $n_z$
- ▶ Now in spherical coordinates, so correspond to  $r$ ,  $\theta$  and  $\phi$
- ▶ Principal quantum number  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  is for the radial  $r$  direction
- ▶ Angular quantum number  $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$  is for the  $\theta$  direction
- ▶ Azimuthal quantum number  $m_l = -l, -l + 1, \dots, +l$  is for the  $\phi$  direction
- ▶ But energy  $E_{nlm_l} \propto n^{-2}$  only depends on  $n$
- ▶ States of various  $l$  and  $m_l$  at same  $n$  are 'degenerate' i.e. have same energy

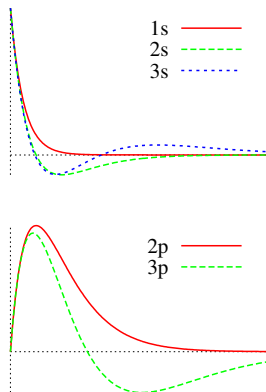
# Radial wavefunctions

- ▶ Radial functions of the form

$$R_{nl}(r) \propto \exp\left(\frac{-2Zr}{na_0}\right) \cdot r^l \cdot p_{n-l-1}^{(l)}(r)$$

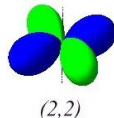
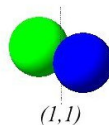
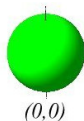
where  $a_0 = 4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2/(me^2) \approx 0.529 \text{ \AA}$   
is the Bohr radius

- ▶ Typical radial extent  $\sim na_0/Z$
- ▶ Polynomial degree  $n - l - 1$ : first  $n$  of given  $l$  has no nodes, next has one node etc.
- ▶ Remember  $l = 0, 1, 2, 3$  denoted by  $s, p, d, f$
- ▶ 1s has no nodes, 2s has 1 node etc.
- ▶ 2p has no nodes, 3p has 2 nodes etc.



# Angular wavefunctions

- ▶ Spherical harmonics  $Y_{lm_l}(\theta, \phi) = P_l^{m_l}(\cos\theta)$
- ▶ Characteristic orbital shapes used in chemistry (typically  $\text{Re}Y_{lm}$  and  $\text{Im}Y_{lm}$ )
- ▶  $l$  controls number of lobes
- ▶  $m_l$  controls number in  $xy$ -plane
- ▶ All  $m_l$  related by spherical symmetry



## Electronic configuration of atoms

- ▶ Pauli exclusion principle: one electron per state (Fermi-Dirac statistics)
- ▶ Spin:  $m_s = \pm 1/2$  (2 states)
- ▶ Azimuthal:  $m = -l, -l + 1, \dots, +l$  ( $2l + 1$  states)
- ▶ Per  $n$  and  $l$ :  $2(2l + 1)$  states
- ▶ Periodic table by orbital being filled ( $Z$  range):

1s (1-2)			
2s (3-4)			2p (5-10)
3s (11-12)			3p (13-18)
4s (19-20)		3d (21-30)	4p (31-36)
5s (37-38)		4d (39-48)	5p (49-54)
6s (55-56)	4f (57-70)	5d (71-80)	7p (81-86)
7s (87-88)	5f (89-102)		

# The size of atoms

- ▶ Orbital size  $\sim na_0/Z$
- ▶ Hydrogen atom  $Z = 1, n = 1$ : size  $\sim a_0 \approx 0.53 \text{ \AA}$
- ▶ Sodium atom  $Z = 11, n = 3$ : size  $\sim 3a_0/11 \approx 0.14 \text{ \AA}$
- ▶ Platinum atom  $Z = 78, n = 6$ : size  $\sim 6a_0/78 \approx 0.04 \text{ \AA}$
- ▶ What's wrong?
- ▶ Hydrogenic orbitals are for one electron systems only!
- ▶ When more than one electron, electron-electron repulsion matters
- ▶ Effective charge seen by outer electrons is approximately that of nucleus + inner electrons

# Many-electron Schrodinger equation

- ▶ So far, we discussed wavefunction  $\psi(\vec{r})$  satisfying

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi + V(\vec{r})\psi = E\psi$$

which is strictly a one-electron theory only.

- ▶ For  $N$  electrons, need to keep track of all  $N$  electronic coordinates with a wavefunction  $\psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N)$
- ▶ Corresponding Schrodinger equation with e-e interactions:

$$\underbrace{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \sum_i \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 \psi}_{\text{Kinetic}} + \underbrace{\sum_i V(\vec{r}_i)\psi}_{\text{e-nuc}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i \neq j} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|} \psi}_{\text{e-e}} = E\psi$$

which is impossible to solve exactly beyond special  $N = 2$  cases

## Many-electron non-interacting case

- ▶ Without e-e interactions:

$$\underbrace{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \sum_i \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 \psi}_{\text{Kinetic}} + \underbrace{\sum_i V(\vec{r}_i) \psi}_{\text{e-nuc}} = E\psi$$

which is *separable* in each  $\vec{r}_i$ .

- ▶ Therefore solution must be consist of products

$$\psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) \sim \phi_1(\vec{r}_1) \phi_2(\vec{r}_2) \cdots \phi_N(\vec{r}_N)$$

- ▶ Each 'orbital'  $\phi_i$ :  $N = 1$  Schrodinger equation with orbital energy  $\varepsilon_i$
- ▶ Total energy  $E = \sum_i \varepsilon_i$
- ▶ Strictly, fermionic wavefunctions need to be antisymmetric

$$\Rightarrow \psi = \det[\phi_i(\vec{r}_j)]$$

(Slater determinant)



# Kohn-Sham density functional theory (DFT)

- ▶ A single-particle theory

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \phi_i(\vec{r}) + V_{\text{KS}}(\vec{r})\psi = \varepsilon_i \phi_i(\vec{r})$$

in an effective potential  $V_{\text{KS}}(\vec{r})$

- ▶  $V_{\text{KS}}(\vec{r}) = V(\vec{r}) +$  contribution from electron density  $n(\vec{r})$
- ▶ Total energy  $E = \sum_i \varepsilon_i +$  contribution from electron density  $n(\vec{r})$
- ▶ Electron density  $n(\vec{r}) = \sum_i |\phi_i(\vec{r})|^2$  made self-consistent
- ▶ DFT works surprisingly well even for strongly interacting electrons
- ▶ When DFT does not work, material called 'strongly-correlated'!

## Atoms revisited

- ▶ Orbital energies are those from effective potential (not hydrogenic)
- ▶ For spherical atoms, still degenerate in  $m$  and  $m_s$ , but not in  $l$
- ▶ At same  $n$ , energy increases with  $l$
- ▶ In particular, energy of  $(n + 1)s < (n - 1)f < nd < (n + 1)p \Rightarrow$

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# Operators and expectation values

- ▶  $|\psi(\vec{r})|^2$  probability distribution of  $\vec{r}$
- ▶ Average value of  $\vec{r}$ :

$$\langle \vec{r} \rangle \equiv \int d\vec{r} |\psi(\vec{r})|^2 \vec{r}$$

Expectation value of operator  $\vec{r}$  in state with wavefunction  $\psi$

$$\langle \psi | \vec{r} | \psi \rangle \equiv \int d\vec{r} \psi^*(\vec{r}) \vec{r} \psi(\vec{r})$$

- ▶ Expectation value of  $r^2$ :

$$\langle r^2 \rangle \equiv \langle \psi | r^2 | \psi \rangle \equiv \int d\vec{r} \psi^*(\vec{r}) r^2 \psi(\vec{r})$$

- ▶ Uncertainty in  $x$ ,  $\Delta x \equiv \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$

## Momentum operator

- ▶ For a free particle with momentum  $\vec{p} = \hbar\vec{k}$ ,  $\psi = e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}}/\sqrt{L}$
- ▶ Consider expectation value of gradient

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle\psi|\nabla|\psi\rangle &\equiv \int d\vec{r} \psi^*(\vec{r}) \nabla \psi(\vec{r}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{L} \int d\vec{r} e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \nabla e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{L} \int d\vec{r} e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} i\vec{k} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \\
 &= i\vec{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Momentum operator  $\hat{p}$  defined by  $\langle\vec{p}\rangle = \langle\psi|\hat{p}|\psi\rangle$
- ▶ So the momentum operator is

$$\hat{p} = -i\hbar\nabla$$

## Hamiltonian operator

- ▶ If we define the Hamiltonian operator as

$$\hat{H} \equiv \frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} + V(\vec{r}) = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + V(\vec{r})$$

the Schrodinger equation becomes  $\hat{H}\psi = E\psi$

- ▶ Expectation value of the Hamiltonian is  $\langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle = E$
- ▶ What about time dependence? Remember  $\psi(\vec{r}, t) = \psi(\vec{r})e^{-iEt/\hbar}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle &\equiv \int d\vec{r} \psi^*(\vec{r}, t) \hat{H} \psi(\vec{r}, t) \\ &= \int d\vec{r} \psi^*(\vec{r}) e^{iEt/\hbar} \hat{H} \psi(\vec{r}) e^{-iEt/\hbar} \\ &= \int d\vec{r} \psi^*(\vec{r}) \hat{H} \psi(\vec{r}) \\ &= \int d\vec{r} \psi^*(\vec{r}) E \psi(\vec{r}) \\ &= E \end{aligned}$$

## Time dependence due to perturbations

- ▶ Let Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}$  have two eigenstates  $H\psi_1 = E_1\psi_1$  and  $H\psi_2 = E_2\psi_2$
- ▶ Eigenstates are orthogonal  $\int \psi_1^* \psi_2 = 0$  and complete: any  $\psi = c_1\psi_1 + c_2\psi_2$
- ▶ Say apply electric field  $\vec{E}e^{-i\omega t}$ , changes Hamiltonian to  $\hat{H} + \hat{H}'e^{-i\omega t}$  with  $\hat{H}' = -e\vec{E} \cdot \vec{r}$
- ▶ Time-dependent Schrodinger equation  $(\hat{H} + \hat{H}'e^{-i\omega t})\psi = i\hbar\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t}$
- ▶ Substitute expansion  $\psi(t) = c_1(t)e^{-iE_1t/\hbar}\psi_1 + c_2(t)e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}\psi_2$

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{H} + \hat{H}'e^{-i\omega t})(c_1e^{-iE_1t/\hbar}\psi_1 + c_2e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}\psi_2) \\ = (i\hbar\dot{c}_1 + E_1c_1)e^{-iE_1t/\hbar}\psi_1 + (i\hbar\dot{c}_2 + E_2c_2)e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}\psi_2 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Rewrite using eigenvalues of  $\hat{H}$

$$\begin{aligned} c_1e^{-i(E_1+\hbar\omega)t/\hbar}\hat{H}'\psi_1 + c_2e^{-i(E_2+\hbar\omega)t/\hbar}\hat{H}'\psi_2 \\ = i\hbar\dot{c}_1e^{-iE_1t/\hbar}\psi_1 + i\hbar\dot{c}_2e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}\psi_2 \end{aligned}$$

## Time dependence due to perturbations (contd.)

- ▶ Equation in terms of expansion  $\psi(t) = c_1(t)e^{-iE_1t/\hbar}\psi_1 + c_2(t)e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}\psi_2$

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 e^{-i(E_1 + \hbar\omega)t/\hbar} \hat{H}' \psi_1 + c_2 e^{-i(E_2 + \hbar\omega)t/\hbar} \hat{H}' \psi_2 \\ = i\hbar \dot{c}_1 e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} \psi_1 + i\hbar \dot{c}_2 e^{-iE_2t/\hbar} \psi_2 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Now integrate equation  $\int \psi_2(\vec{r}, t)^*$  to get

$$c_1 \langle \psi_2 | \hat{H}' | \psi_1 \rangle e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\omega)t/\hbar} + c_2 \langle \psi_2 | \hat{H}' | \psi_2 \rangle e^{-i\omega t} = i\hbar \dot{c}_2$$

- ▶ If we start at  $t = 0$  in state  $\psi_1$  i.e.  $c_1(0) = 1$ ,  $c_2(0) = 0$ , then at  $t = 0$

$$i\hbar \dot{c}_2 = \langle \psi_2 | \hat{H}' | \psi_1 \rangle e^{i(E_2 - E_1 - \hbar\omega)t/\hbar}$$

which is the rate at which state  $\psi_2$  starts appearing

- ▶  $c_2(t)$  oscillates in time with zero average value as long as  $E_2 \neq E_1 + \hbar\omega$  (Energy conservation)
- ▶ If  $E_2 = E_1 + \hbar\omega$ , then  $c_2(t)$  grows in time

## Fermi's Golden rule

- ▶ Upon applying a perturbation Hamiltonian  $H' e^{i\omega t}$ ,

$$\Gamma_{1 \rightarrow 2} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle \psi_2 | \hat{H}' | \psi_1 \rangle|^2 \delta(E_2 - (E_1 + \hbar\omega))$$

is the rate of transitioning from  $\psi_1$  to  $\psi_2$

- ▶ More generally,

$$\Gamma_i = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \sum_f |\langle \psi_f | \hat{H}' | \psi_i \rangle|^2 \delta(E_f - (E_i + \hbar\omega))$$

is the rate of transitioning out of initial state  $\psi_i$

- ▶ Fundamental equation of 'quantum kinetics'  
(say analogous to Arrhenius equation)



## Orbital angular momentum

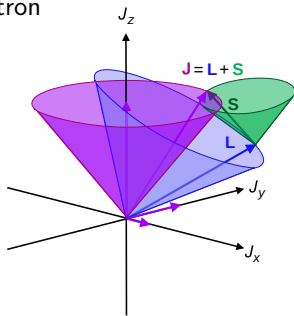
- ▶ Classical picture: electrons revolving around nuclei with  $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$
- ▶ In quantum picture,  $\hat{L} = \vec{r} \times \hat{p} = -i\hbar\vec{r} \times \nabla$
- ▶ In particular  $\hat{L}_z = -i\hbar(x\partial_y - y\partial_x) = -i\hbar\partial_\phi$
- ▶ In atomic orbitals, angular dependence  $Y_{lm_l}(\theta, \phi) = P_l^{m_l}(\cos\theta)e^{im_l\phi}$
- ▶ Azimuthal angular momentum  $\langle \hat{L}_z \rangle = m_l\hbar$
- ▶ Account for all directions, magnitude of angular momentum

$$\langle \hat{L}^2 \rangle = l(l+1)\hbar^2$$

- ▶ Number of projections quantized to  $2l+1$  (number of allowed  $m_l$ )

# Spin angular momentum

- ▶ Electrons have spin  $s = 1/2$
- ▶ Corresponding  $m_s = \pm 1/2$  ( $2 = 2s + 1$  values)
- ▶ Projected angular momentum  $S_z = m_s \hbar$
- ▶ Angular momentum magnitude  $S^2 = s(s + 1)\hbar^2$
- ▶ Both orbital and spin angular momentum for electron
- ▶ Total angular momentum  $\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$
- ▶ Also quantized, with quantum numbers  $j, m_j$
- ▶  $j = |l - s|$  to  $l + s$  in increments of 1
- ▶  $m_j = -j, -j + 1, \dots, +j$
- ▶ Projected angular momentum  $J_z = m_j \hbar$
- ▶ Angular momentum magnitude  $J^2 = j(j + 1)\hbar^2$



## Angular momentum consequence: magnetic moments

- ▶ Consider particle with charge  $q$  and mass  $m$  moving with speed  $v$  in circle of radius  $r$
- ▶ Angular momentum  $L = mvr$
- ▶ Current  $I = \frac{qv}{2\pi r}$
- ▶ Magnetic moment  $\mu = \frac{1}{2} \oint \vec{r} \times d\vec{l} I = \frac{1}{2} r (2\pi r) \frac{qv}{2\pi r} = qvr/2$
- ▶ Classical particle  $\mu = \frac{q}{2m} L$
- ▶ Exactly true for orbital angular momentum

$$\mu_z = \frac{-e}{2m} m_l \hbar = -m_l \mu_B$$

where  $\mu_B \equiv \frac{e\hbar}{2m}$  is the Bohr magneton

- ▶ What about spin?

$$\mu_z = -g_e m_s \mu_B$$

where  $g_e \approx 2.0023 = 2 + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} + \dots$  is called the gyromagnetic ratio (Relativity  $\Rightarrow g_e = 2$ , rest quantum correction)

## Angular momentum conservation: selection rules

- ▶ Light absorption: photon excites electron from lower state  $nlm_l$  to higher state  $n'l'm'_l$
- ▶ Dominant electron-photon interaction through electric field  $\Rightarrow$  involves only  $L$  of electron (not  $S$ )
- ▶ Initial angular momentum  $s = 1$  in photon and  $l$  of electron  
 $\Rightarrow j = l - 1, \dots, l + 1$
- ▶ Projection  $m_j = m_s + m_l = m_l - 1, \dots, m_l + 1$
- ▶ Angular momentum conservation  $(l', m'_l)$  must equal  $(j, m_j)$
- ▶ Process allowed only if  $\Delta l = 0, \pm 1$  and  $\Delta m_l = 0, \pm 1$
- ▶ More careful analysis  $\Delta l = 0$  disallowed (because  $\langle \psi_2 | \hat{H}' | \psi_1 \rangle = 0$ ),  
 $\Rightarrow \Delta l = \pm 1$  and  $\Delta m_l = 0, \pm 1$