

Three major categories of nanotube structures can be identified based on the values of  $m$  and  $n$

- $m = n$  "Armchair"
- $m = 0$  or  $n = 0$  "Zigzag"
- $m \neq n$  "Chiral"

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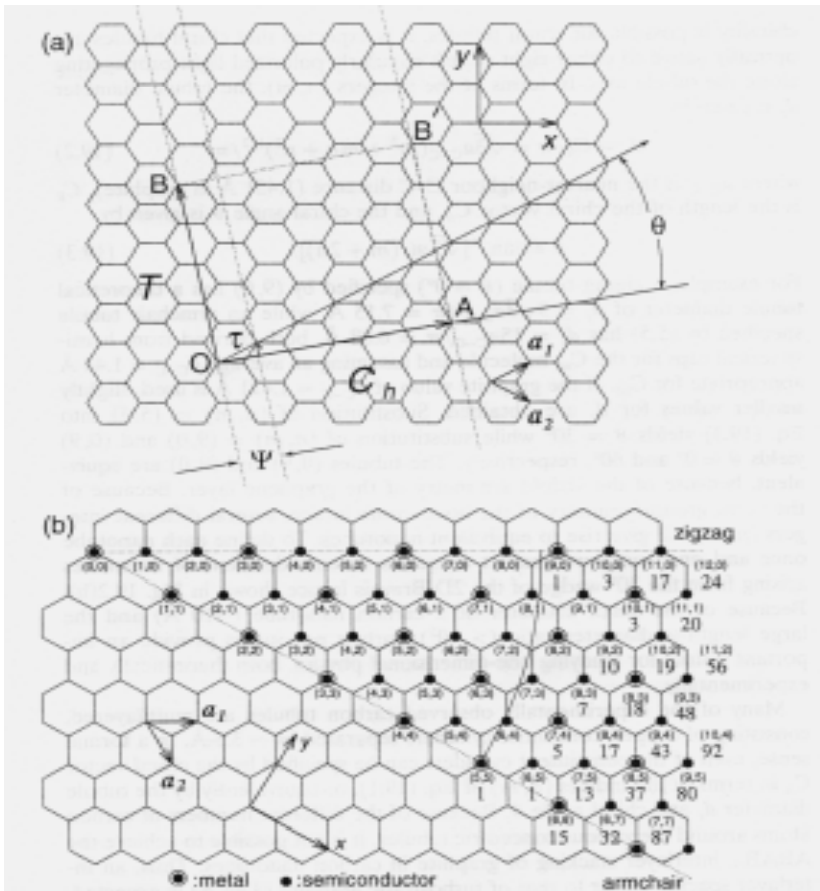
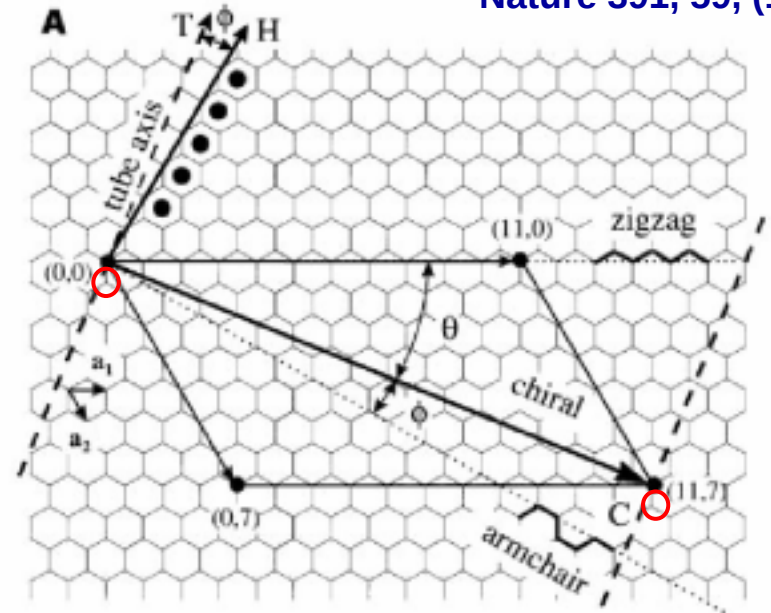
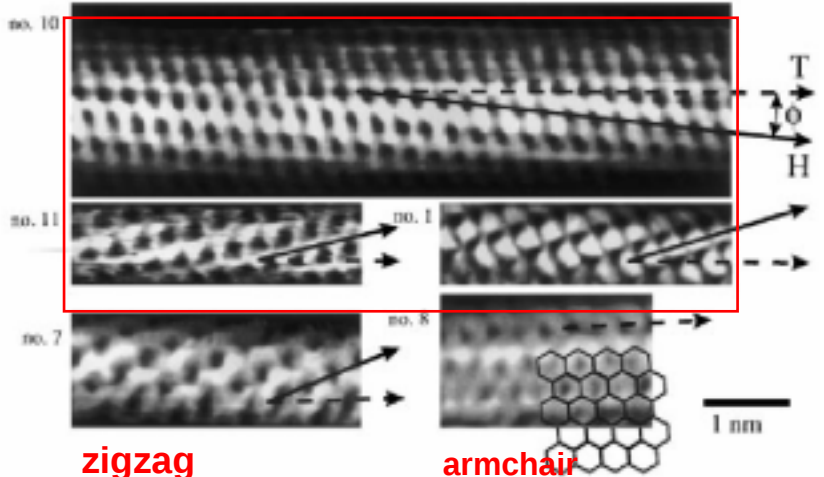
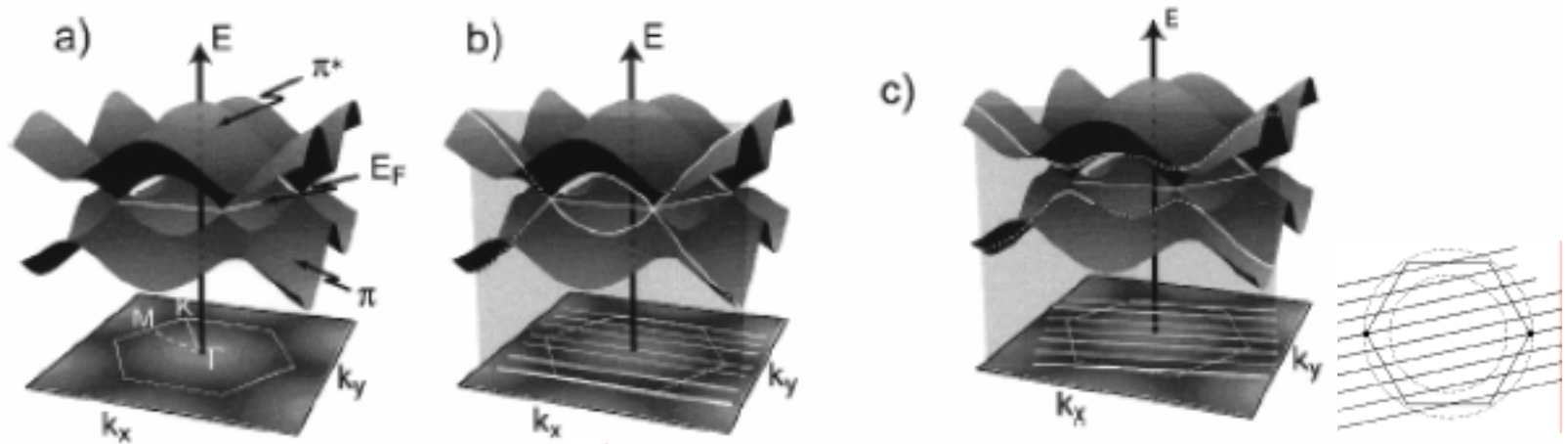


Fig. 19.2. (a) The chiral vector  $\vec{C}_h$  or  $C_h = na_1 + ma_2$  is defined on the honeycomb lattice of carbon atoms by unit vectors  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  and the chiral angle  $\theta$  with respect to the zigzag axis. Along the zigzag axis,  $\theta = 0^\circ$ . Also shown are the lattice vector  $\vec{C}_T = T$  of the 1D tubule unit cell and the rotation angle  $\psi$  and the translation  $\tau$  which constitute the basic symmetry operation  $R = (\psi|\tau)$  for the carbon nanotube. The diagram is constructed for  $(n, m) = (4, 2)$ . (b) Possible vectors specified by the pairs of integers  $(n, m)$  for general carbon tubes, including zigzag, armchair, and chiral tubes. Below each pair of integers  $(n, m)$  is listed the number of distinct caps that can be joined continuously to the carbon tube denoted by  $(n, m)$  [19.4], as discussed in §19.2.3. The encircled dots denote metallic tubes while the small dots are for semiconducting tubes.



## B chiral





**Fig. 2.** (a). Band structure of a graphene sheet (top) and the first Brillouin zone (bottom). (b) Band structure of a metallic (3,3) CNT. (c) Band structure of a (4,2) semiconducting CNT. The allowed states in the nanotubes are cuts of the graphene bands indicated by the white lines. If the cut passes through a K point, the CNT is metallic; otherwise, the CNT is semiconducting.

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### a) Graphite

Valence( $\pi$ ) and Conduction ( $\pi^*$ ) states touch at 6 Fermi points

### Carbon nanotube:

Quantization from the confinement of electrons in the circumferential direction

b) (3,3) CNT; allowed energy states of CNT cuts pass through Fermi point → metallic

c) (4,2) CNT; no cut pass through a K point → semiconducting

circumference =  $n\lambda_F$

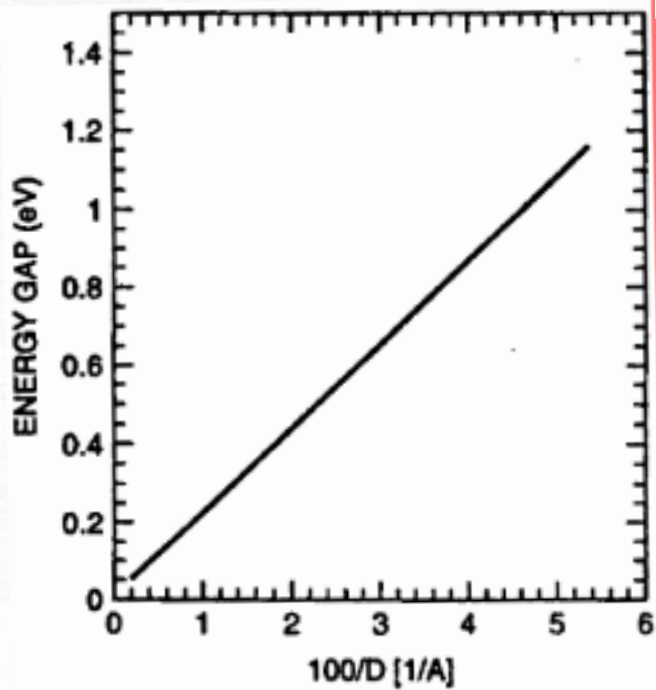
$$E_{gap} = \frac{4\hbar v_F}{3d_{CNT}}$$

In general, for a chiral tubule, we have the following results:

$n - m = 3q$  metallic, no gap

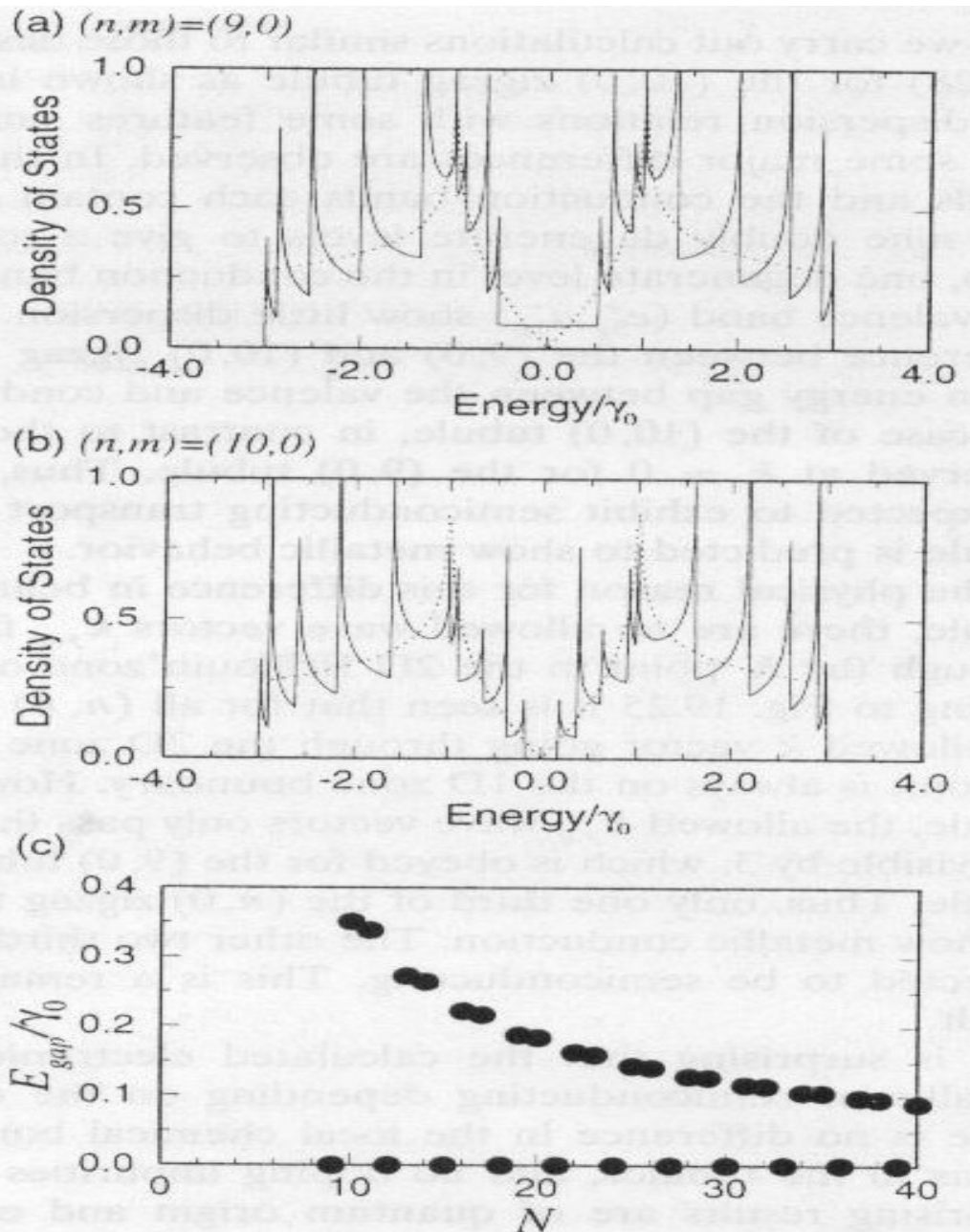
$n - m \neq 3q$  semiconductor with gap

$$d_{CNT} = \frac{2.46\sqrt{n^2 + nm + m^2}}{2\pi} \text{ nm}$$

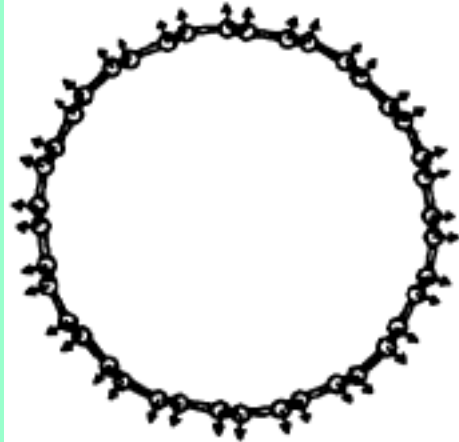


**Fig. 19.27.** Electronic 1D density of states per unit cell for two  $(n,m)$  zigzag tubules based on zone folding of a 2D graphene sheet: (a) the  $(9,0)$  tubule which has metallic behavior, (b) the  $(10,0)$  tubule which has semiconducting behavior. Also shown in the figure is the density of states for the 2D graphene sheet (dashed curves) [19.98]. (c) Plot of the energy gap for  $(n,0)$  zigzag nanotubes plotted in units of  $\gamma_0$  as a function of  $n$ , where  $\gamma_0$  is the energy of the nearest-neighbor overlap integral for graphite [19.100].

$\approx 2.5\text{eV}$



# Cross-section view of the vibration modes



$A_{1g}$  165  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

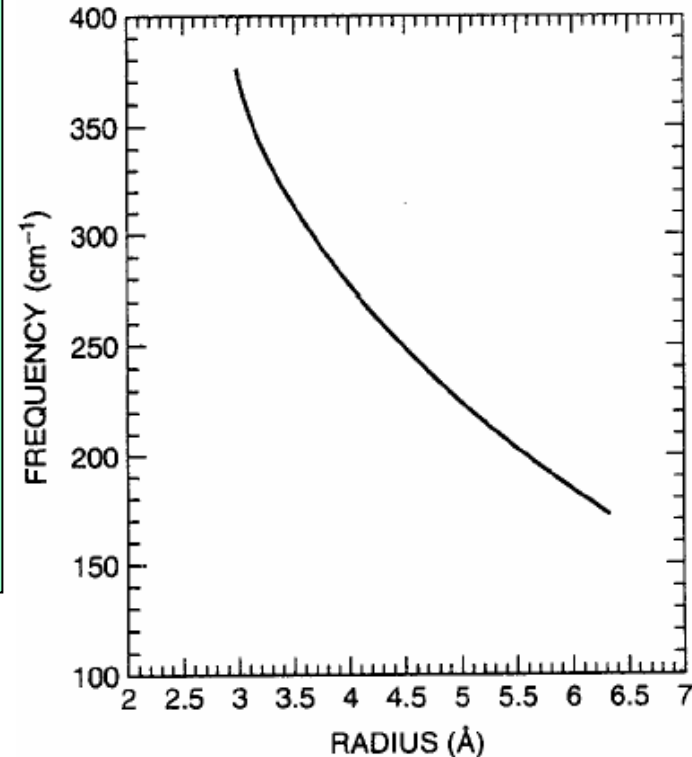
Symmetric stretch



$E_{2g}$  17  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

Asymmetric stretch

Determination of the tube diameter from  $A_{1g}$  Raman vibration frequency

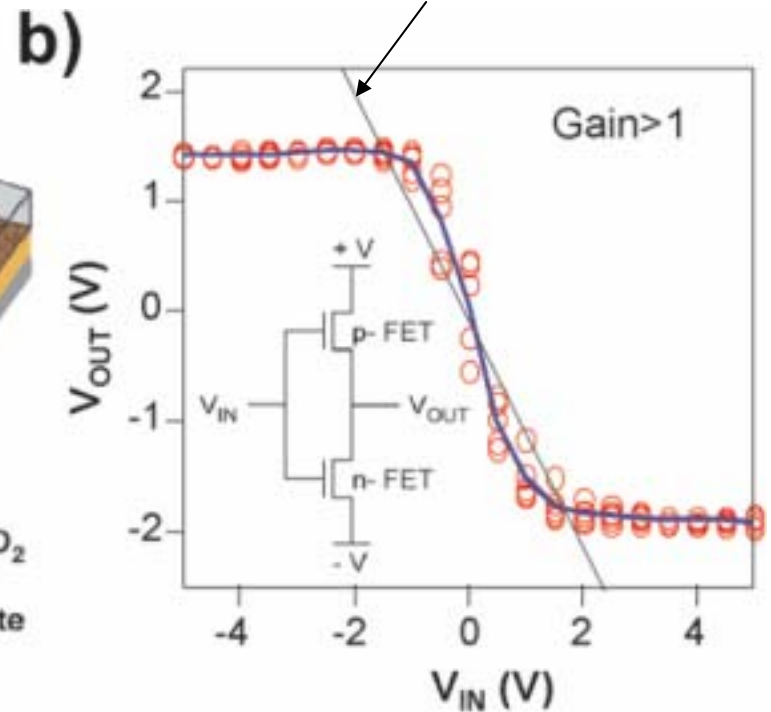
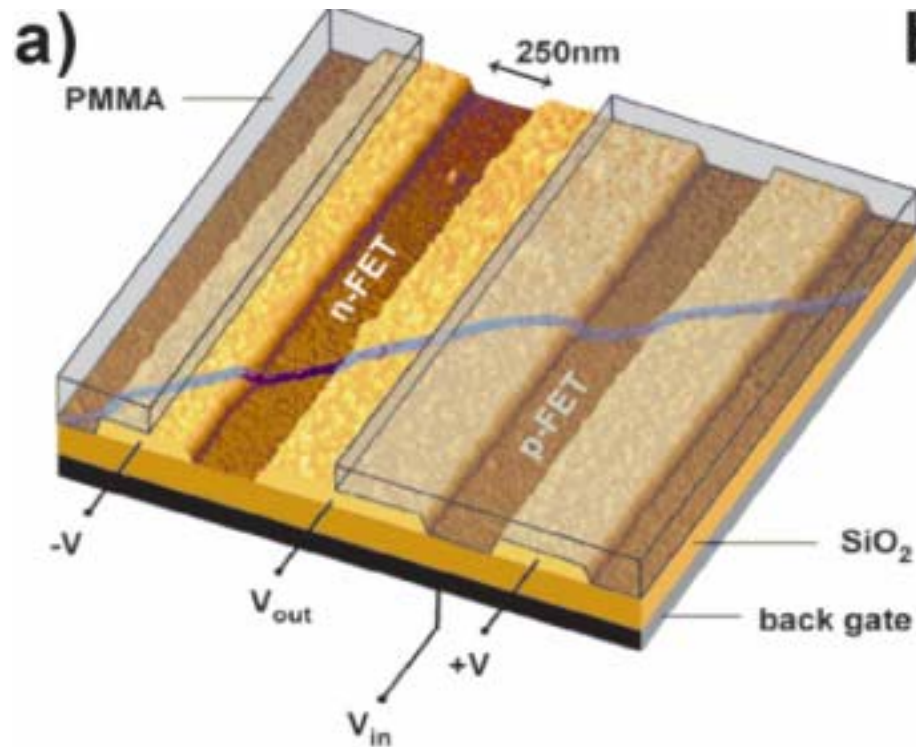


One can then “guess” a set of (m,n) from

$$d_{CNT} = \frac{2.46\sqrt{n^2 + nm + m^2}}{2\pi} \text{ nm}$$

Figs. 5-19 and 5-20

# A SWCNT CMOS device



1. Two p-type CNT FETs in series
2. Potassium bombardment on the unprotected one results in a p→n conversion
3. CMOS CNT FET with gain  $\equiv (V_{out}/V_{in}) > 1$

# Introduction to Nanotechnology

## Chapter 9 Quantum Wells, Wires and Dots

### Lecture 2

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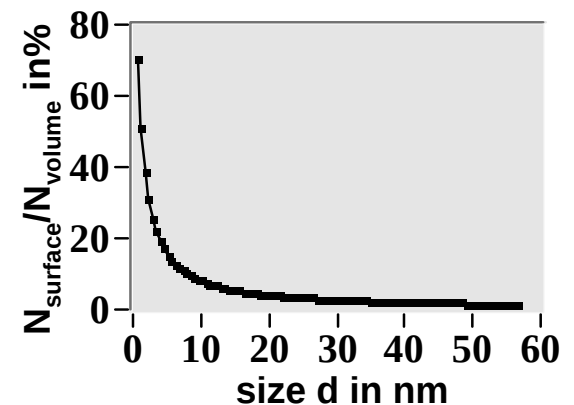
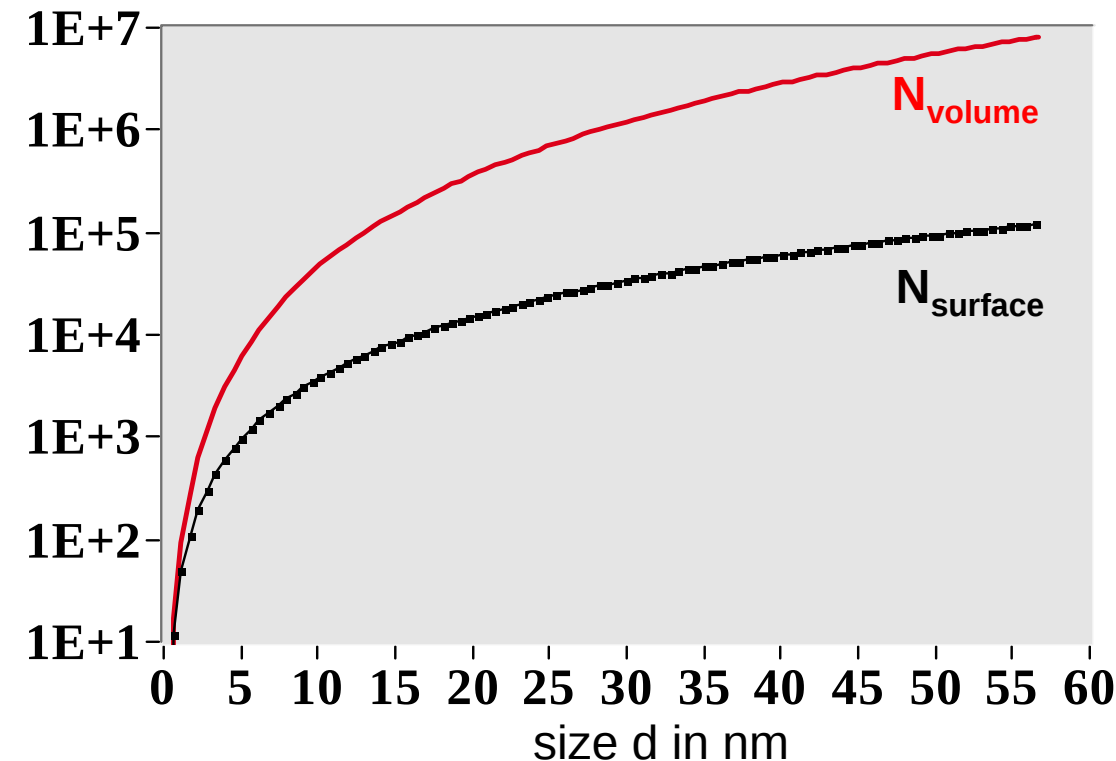
# Size effect:

For a nano-meter cube, the surface to volume ratio increases with decreasing size

For an FCC cubic:  $N_{\text{surface}} = 12 n^2$   
 $N_{\text{volume}} = 8n^3 + 6n^2 + 3n$

$n$  = number of atoms along edges  
 $d = na$ ,  $a$  = lattice constant

For GaAs,  $a=0.565$  nm



# Charge motion in a conductor or semiconductor with periodic crystal potential:

Resistance arises from scattering with phonons and defects

Force on an electron  $F=eE$       Momentum  $P=mv=F\Delta t$ ;  $\Delta t=\tau$        $\Rightarrow v = \tau eE/m$

$\tau$  = average scattering time      mean free path  $l = v_F \tau$

## Ohm's law:

current density  $j = nev = \frac{ne^2\tau E}{m}$        $j \equiv \sigma E \rightarrow \sigma = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m} \rightarrow \rho \equiv \frac{1}{\sigma} = \frac{m}{ne^2\tau}$

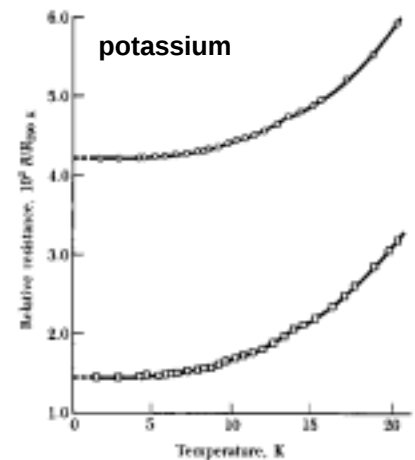
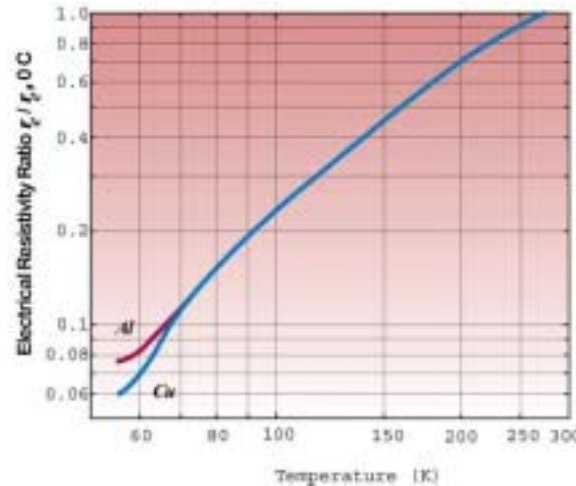
**mobility:**  $\mu \equiv \frac{v}{E} = \frac{\tau e}{m}$

**Scattering time:**  $\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_L} + \frac{1}{\tau_i}$

For  $T \gg \Theta_D$ :  $\rho \sim T$

For  $T \ll \Theta_D$ :  $\rho \sim T^3$

For  $T \ll \ll \Theta_D$ :  $\rho \sim T^5$



Barron, R. F., Cryogenic Systems, 2nd Edition, Oxford University Press, New York, 1985  
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**Residual resistivity: 1% atomic impurity =  $1\mu\Omega\cdot\text{cm}$**

## Types of defects:

1. missing atoms  $\equiv$  vacancies
2. extra atoms  $\equiv$  interstitial atoms
3. a vacancy – interstitial atom pair  $\equiv$  Frenkel defect

in semiconductors:

doping level of  $10^{14}\sim 10^{18}$  donors/cm<sup>3</sup>

→  $10^{-1}\sim 10^3$  conduction electrons in (100nm)<sup>3</sup> cube

↙ 10 cubes share one electron

**Table 9.2. Conduction electron content of smaller size (on left) and larger size (on right) quantum structures containing donor concentrations of  $10^{14}\sim 10^{18}$  cm<sup>-3</sup>**

| Quantum Structure | Size                     | Electron Content                         | Size                          | Electron Content                       |
|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Bulk material     | —                        | $10^{14}\sim 10^{18}$ cm <sup>-3</sup>   | —                             | $10^{14}\sim 10^{18}$ cm <sup>-3</sup> |
| Quantum well      | 10 nm thick              | $1\sim 10^4$ $\mu$ m <sup>-2</sup>       | 100 nm thick                  | $10\sim 10^5$ $\mu$ m <sup>-2</sup>    |
| Quantum wire      | 10 × 10-nm cross section | $10^{-2}\sim 10^2$ $\mu$ m <sup>-1</sup> | 100 nm × 100 nm cross section | $1\sim 10^4$ $\mu$ m <sup>-1</sup>     |
| Quantum dot       | 10 nm on a side          | $10^{-4}\sim 1$                          | 100 nm on a side              | $10^{-1}\sim 10^3$                     |

## Sec. 9.3.2 Dimensionality

**Example: a 2D Cu film:  $10\text{cm} \times 10\text{cm} \times 3.6\text{nm}$**

**20% of atoms are in unit cells at the surface  $\rightarrow$  confinement of electron in vertical direction**

**Length scales for electron motion: mean free path; Fermi wavelength**

**Relevant scale: Fermi wavelength**

# Sec. 9.3.3 Fermi Gas and Density of States

**Classical description:** Momentum  $p = mv$  Kinetic Energy  $E = mv^2/2 = p^2/2m$

**Quantum description:**  $p_x = \hbar k_x$

**All conduction electrons are equally spread out in the  $k$  space (reciprocal space)**

**Available space in  $k$**

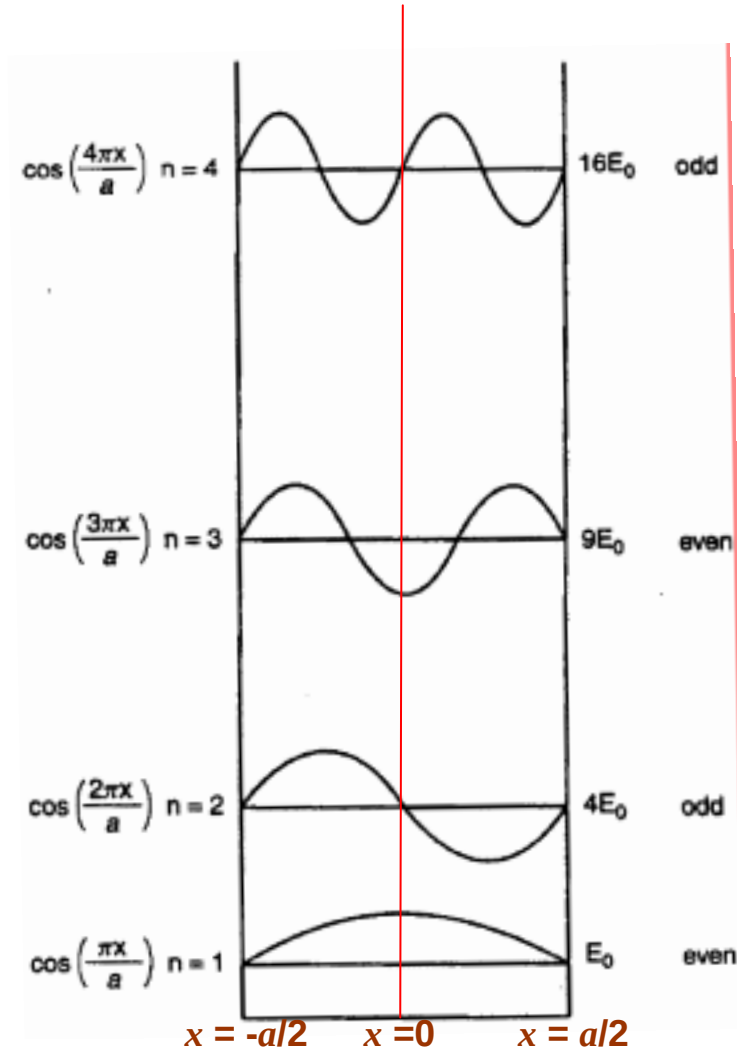
**Table A.1. Properties of coordinate and  $k$  space in one, two, and three dimensions**

| Coordinate Region | $k$ -Space Unit Cell | Fermi Region   | Value of $k^2$          | Dimensions |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Length $L$        | $2\pi/L$             | $2k_F$         | $k_x^2$                 | One        |
| Area $A = L^2$    | $(2\pi/L)^2$         | $\pi k_F^2$    | $k_x^2 + k_y^2$         | Two        |
| Volume $V = L^3$  | $(2\pi/L)^3$         | $4\pi k_F^3/3$ | $k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2$ | Three      |

**Table A.2. Number of electrons  $N(E)$  and density of states  $D(E) = dN(E)/dE$  as function of energy  $E$  for electrons delocalized in one, two, and three spatial dimensions, where  $A = L^2$  and  $V = L^3$**

| Number of Electrons $N$                                                                                        | Density of States $D(E)$                                                  | Delocalization Dimensions |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| $N(E) = \frac{4k_F}{2\pi/L} = \frac{2L}{\pi} \left( \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{1/2} E^{1/2}$                  | $D(E) = \frac{L}{\pi} \left( \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{1/2} E^{-1/2}$   | 1                         |
| $N(E) = \frac{2\pi k_F^2}{(2\pi/L)^2} = \frac{A}{2\pi} \left( \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right) E$                    | $D(E) = \frac{A}{2\pi} \left( \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)$                 | 2                         |
| $N(E) = \frac{2(4\pi k_F^3/3)}{(2\pi/L)^3} = \frac{V}{3\pi^2} \left( \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} E^{3/2}$ | $D(E) = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left( \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} E^{1/2}$ | 3                         |

# Confined electron wavefunction in a infinite square well



$$n = \frac{2k_F}{2\pi/a} = \frac{a}{\pi} \left( \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{1/2} E_n^{1/2}$$

c.f. 1D in Table A2

Let  $L=a$ , do not need to consider spin

$$E_n = \left[ \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2} \right] n^2$$

$$\psi_n = \cos(n\pi x/a) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots \quad \text{even parity}$$

$$\psi_n(-x) = \psi_n(x)$$

$$\psi_n = \sin(n\pi x/a) \quad n = 2, 4, 6, \dots \quad \text{odd parity}$$

$$\psi_n(-x) = -\psi_n(x)$$

Probability of finding an electron

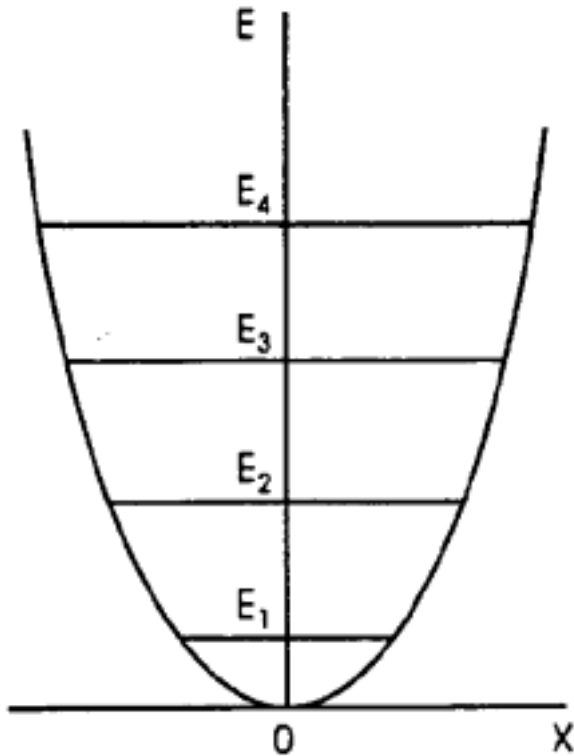
$$\text{at a particular value of } x = |\Psi_n(x)|^2$$

## Energy levels for a 1D parabolic potential well

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} kx^2 \quad E_n = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hbar \omega_0 \quad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

Fig. 9.14

$$\psi_n(x) = H_n(x) e^{-\frac{\alpha x^2}{2}}$$



Hermite polynomials  $H_n(x)$

**n=0** 1

**1**  $2x$

**2**  $4x^2 - 2$

**3**  $8x^3 - 12x$

**4**  $16x^4 - 48x^2 + 12$

**5**  $32x^5 - 160x^3 + 120x$

**6**  $64x^6 - 480x^4 + 720x^2 - 120$

**7**  $128x^7 - 1344x^5 + 3360x^3 - 1680x$

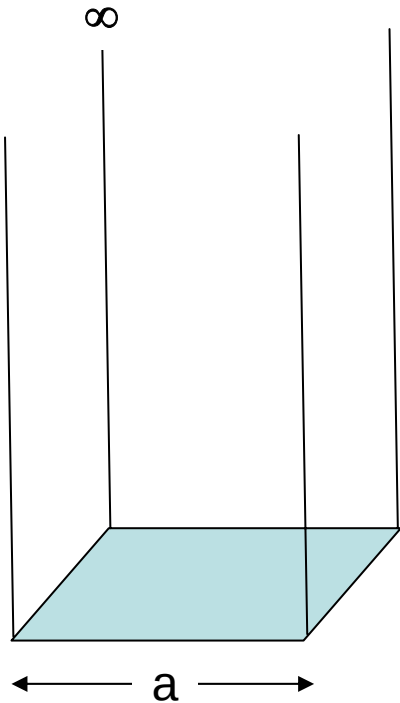
**8**  $256x^8 - 3584x^6 + 13440x^4 - 13440x^2 + 1680$

**10**  $512x^9 - 9216x^7 + 48384x^5 - 80640x^3 + 30240x$

**11**  $1024x^{10} - 23040x^8 + 161280x^6 - 403200x^4 + 302400x^2 - 30240$

# Degeneracy:

Energy of a 2D infinite rectangular square



$$E_n = \left( \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2} \right) (n_x^2 + n_y^2) = E_0 n^2 \quad \text{eq. 9.9}$$

Degeneracy (including spin states) :

| n | degeneracy | $n_x, n_y$ | $n_x, n_y$ | $n_x, n_y$ | $n_x, n_y$ |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | 4          | 0,1        | 1,0        |            |            |
| 2 | 4          | 0,2        | 2,0        |            |            |
| 3 | 4          | 0,3        | 3,0        |            |            |
| 4 | 4          | 0,4        | 4,0        |            |            |
| 5 | 8          | 0,5        | 5,0        | 2,3        | 3,2        |

# N(E) and D(E) in 1D, 2D and 3D

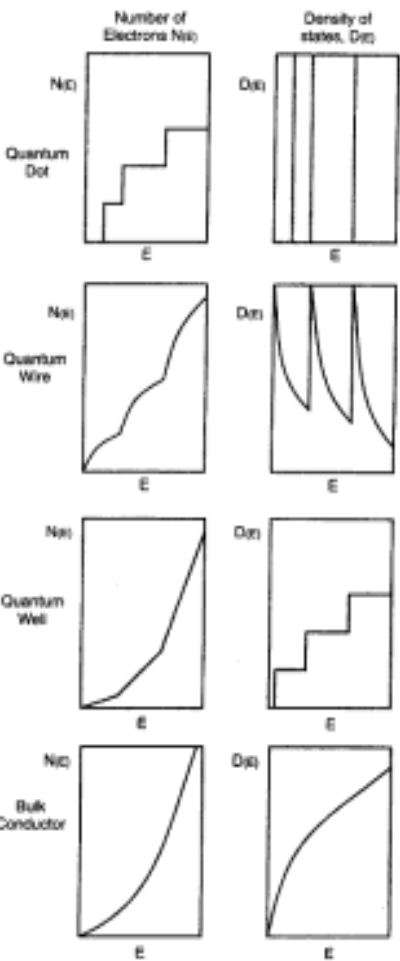
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| Number of<br>Electrons $N$                                                                                         | Density of<br>States $D(E)$                                             | Delocalization<br>Dimensions |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| $N(E) = \frac{4k_F \cdot}{2\pi/L} = \frac{2L}{\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/2} E^{1/2}$                  | $D(E) = \frac{L}{\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/2} E^{-1/2}$   | 1                            |
| $N(E) = \frac{2\pi k_F^2 \cdot}{(2\pi/L)^2} = \frac{A}{2\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right) E$                    | $D(E) = \frac{A}{2\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)$                 | 2                            |
| $N(E) = \frac{2(4\pi k_F^3/3) \cdot}{(2\pi/L)^3} = \frac{V}{3\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{3/2} E^{3/2}$ | $D(E) = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{3/2} E^{1/2}$ | 3                            |

**Table A.3. Number of electrons  $N(E)$  and density of states  $D(E) = dN(E)/dE$  as a function of the energy  $E$  for electrons delocalized/confined in quantum dots, quantum wires, quantum wells, and bulk material<sup>a</sup>**

| Type | Number<br>of Electrons $N$                                                                  | Density<br>of States $D(E)$                                                                 | Dimensions  |          |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
|      |                                                                                             |                                                                                             | Delocalized | Confined |
| Dot  | $N(E) = 2\Sigma d_i \Theta(E - E_{iw})$                                                     | $D(E) = 2\Sigma d_i \delta(E - E_{iw})$                                                     | 0           | 3        |
| Wire | $N(E) = \frac{2L}{\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/2} \Sigma d_i (E - E_{iw})^{1/2}$ | $D(E) = \frac{L}{\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/2} \Sigma d_i (E - E_{iw})^{-1/2}$ | 1           | 2        |
| Well | $N(E) = \frac{A}{2\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right) \Sigma d_i (E - E_{iw})$             | $D(E) = \frac{A}{2\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right) \Sigma d_i$                          | 2           | 1        |
| Bulk | $N(E) = \frac{V}{3\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{3/2} (E)^{3/2}$                   | $D(E) = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{3/2} (E)^{1/2}$                   | 3           | 0        |

<sup>a</sup>The degeneracies of the confined (square or parabolic well) energy levels are given by  $d_i$ . The Heaviside step function  $\Theta(x)$  is zero for  $x < 0$  and one for  $x > 0$ ; the delta function  $\delta(x)$  is zero for  $x \neq 0$ , infinity for  $x = 0$ , and integrates to a unit area.



## Measurement of electronic density of state at the Fermi level: $D(E_F)$

1. heat capacity at low temperature  $C_{el} = \pi^2 D(E_F) k_B^2 T / 3$

2. Pauli susceptibility  $\chi_{el} = \mu_B^2 D(E_F)$  note:

1.  $\chi \equiv M/H$

2. no temperature dependence

3. Spectrum of e-beam induced X-ray

Other methods:

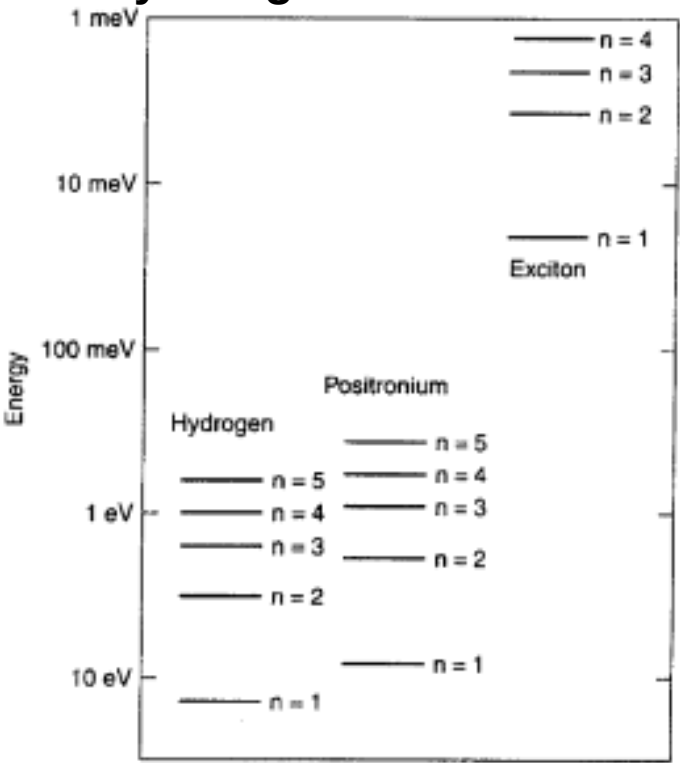
Photoemission spectroscopy, Seebeck effect, tunneling effect

# Excitons:

Radius of an exciton:

$$a_{\text{eff}} = 0.0529 (\epsilon/\epsilon_0) / (m^*/m_0) \text{ nm}$$

## Rydberg series



In semiconductors, large  $\epsilon$ ,  
→ screening effect  
→ reduced e-h interaction  
→  $a_{\text{eff}} \gg$  lattice spacing  
Mott-Wannier exciton

For GaAs:  $\epsilon/\epsilon_0 = 13.2$ ,  $m^*/m_0 = 0.067$

$$\rightarrow a_{\text{eff}} = 10.4 \text{ nm}$$

$d \gg a_{\text{eff}}$ : no confinement

$d > a_{\text{eff}}$ : weak confinement

$d < a_{\text{eff}}$ : strong confinement

Increasing  
e-h interaction

blue shift

in optical absorption

# Single Electron Tunneling

Capacitance of a dielectric disk :  $C = 8\epsilon_0\epsilon_r r$

Capacitance of a dielectric sphere :  $C = 4\epsilon_0\epsilon_r r$

For a GaAs sphere,  $C = 1.47 \times 10^{-18} r$  farad for radius  $r$  in nm

## Scanning-Tunneling-Microscope Observations of Coulomb Blockade and Oxide Polarization in Small Metal Droplets

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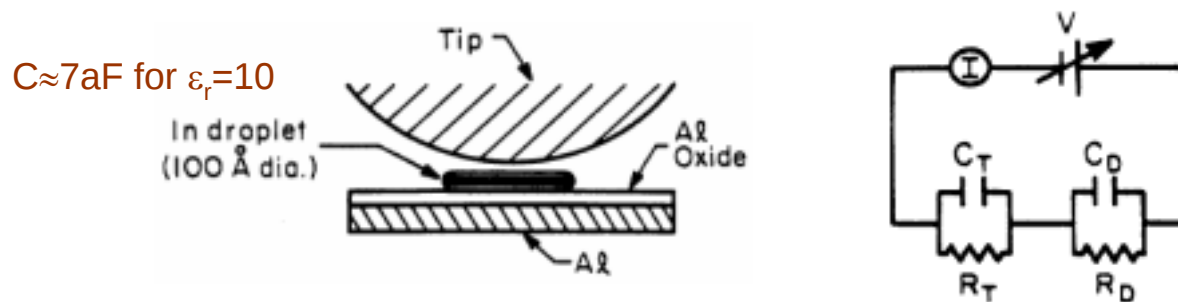
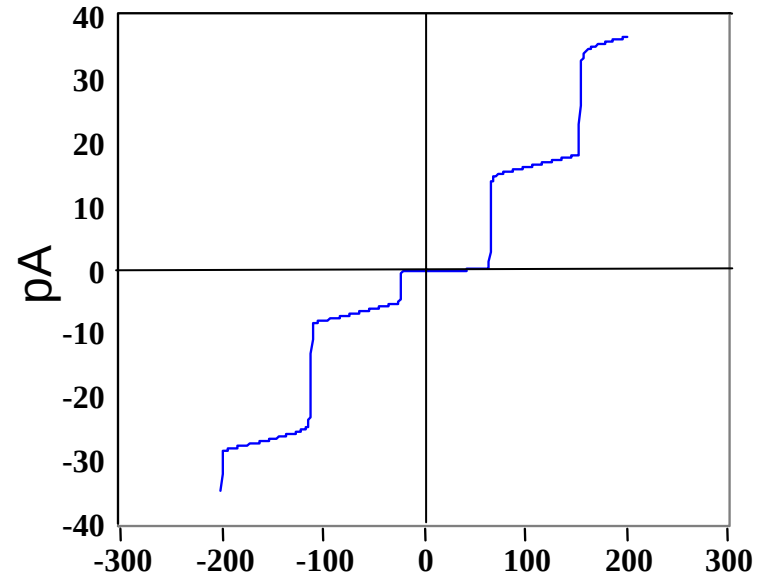
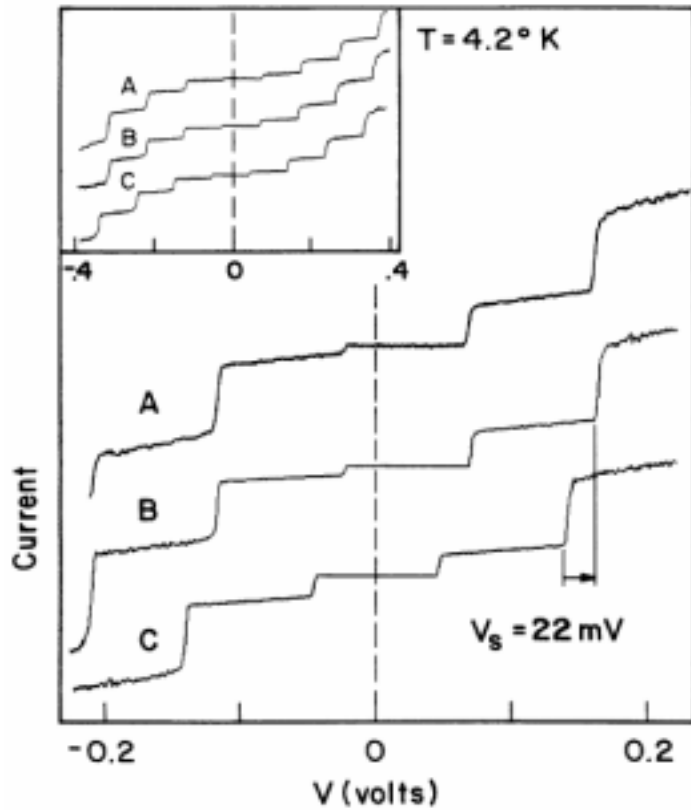


FIG. 1. Schematic showing an In droplet separated from an Al ground plane by a tunneling oxide layer ( $\approx 10 \text{ \AA}$  thickness) with an Au STM tip positioned about  $10 \text{ \AA}$  above it. The equivalent circuit is shown with a voltage source and capacitor  $C_T$  for tip to droplet and  $C_D$  for droplet to ground plane. The resistors characterize the tunneling probability for each junction and are strictly shot-noise devices.



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Ct} \boxed{350.0} \boxed{\text{zF}} \quad \text{Cd} \boxed{1.8} \boxed{\text{aF}} \quad \text{Cg} \boxed{0.01} \boxed{\text{aF}} \quad \text{Vt} \\
 & \text{Rt} \boxed{4.40} \boxed{\text{GOhm}} \quad \text{Rd} \boxed{7.20} \boxed{\text{MOhm}} \quad \text{Vg} \boxed{3.87} \boxed{\text{V}} \quad \frac{V_p}{V_g} = \frac{C_g}{C_t + C_d} \\
 & V_D = \frac{VC_T}{C_D + C_T} + \frac{Ne}{C_D + C_T} + V_p
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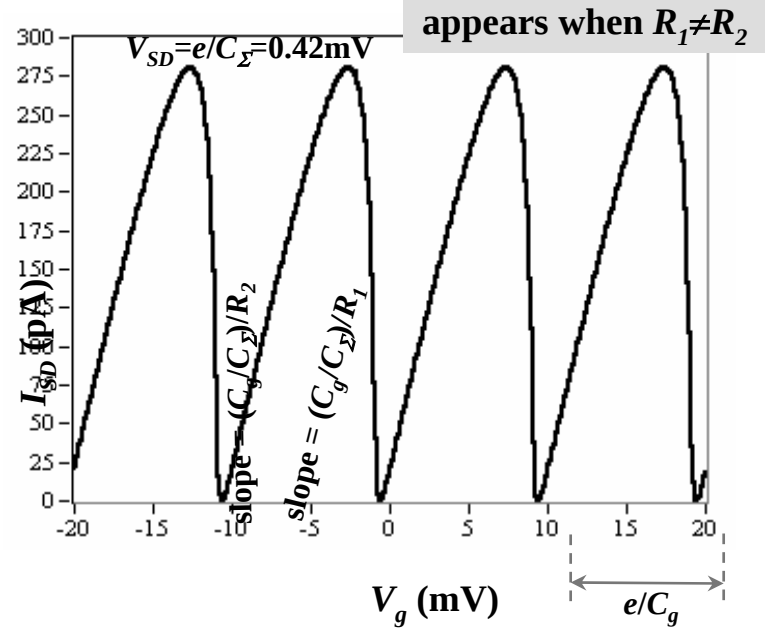
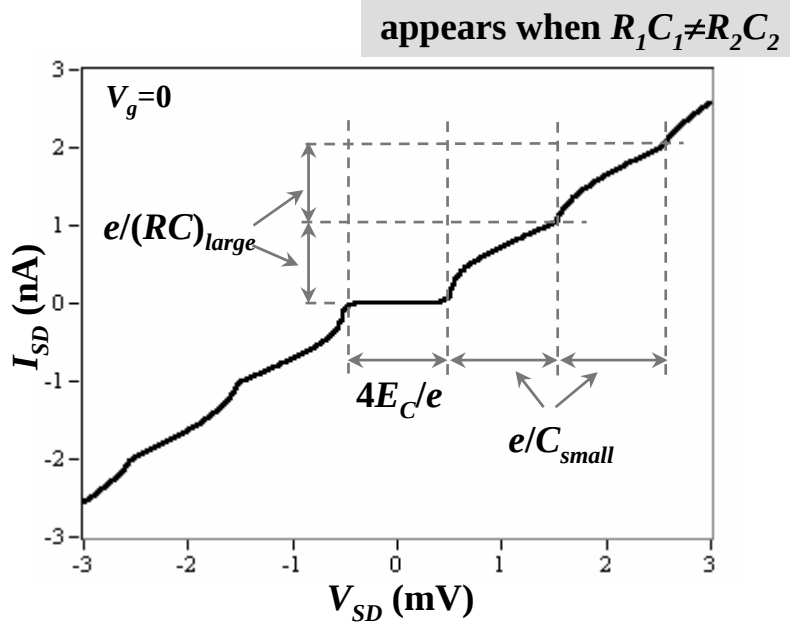
FIG. 2. Curve *A* is an experimental *I-V* characteristic from an In droplet in a sample with average droplet size of 300 Å. The peak-peak current is 1.8 nA. Curve *B* is a theoretical fit to the data for  $C_D = 3.5 \times 10^{-19}$  F,  $C_T = 1.8 \times 10^{-18}$  F,  $R_D = 7.2 \times 10^6 \Omega$ , and  $R_T = 4.4 \times 10^9 \Omega$ . The obvious asymmetric features in curve *A* require a voltage shift  $V_s = 22$  mV ( $V_p = 18$  mV). Curve *C*, calculated for  $V_s = 0$ , shows the (seldom observed) symmetric case. As explained in the text, a small quadratic term was added to the computed tunneling rate for each junction. Inset: A wider voltage scan for this same droplet; again, the topmost curve is experimental data.

by scanning the substrate.<sup>14</sup> However, we do not understand at this time why  $C_T$  is greater than  $C_D$ . At  $T = 4$

# Asymmetric SET (simulations)

## Coulomb Staircase

$R_1 = 50 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $C_1 = 0.2 \text{ fF}$ ,  $C_2 = 0.15 \text{ fF}$ ,  $C_g = 16 \text{ aF}$ ,  
 $E_C = 2.54 \text{ K}$ ,  $T = 20 \text{ mK}$



# Potential distribution in a finite 1-D array of arbitrary mesoscopic tunnel junctions

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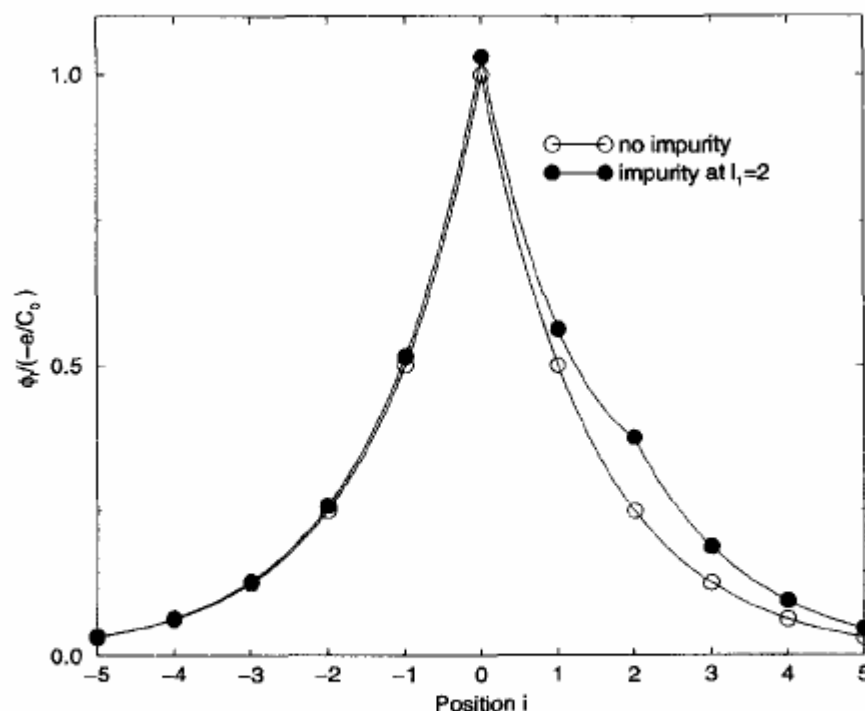
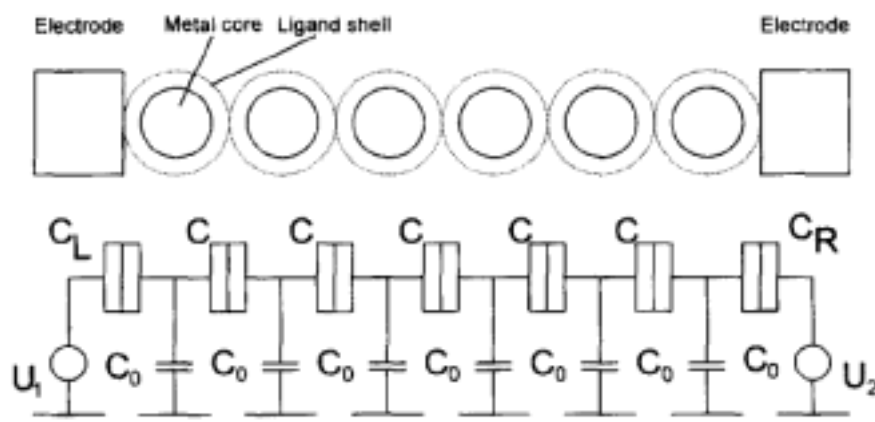


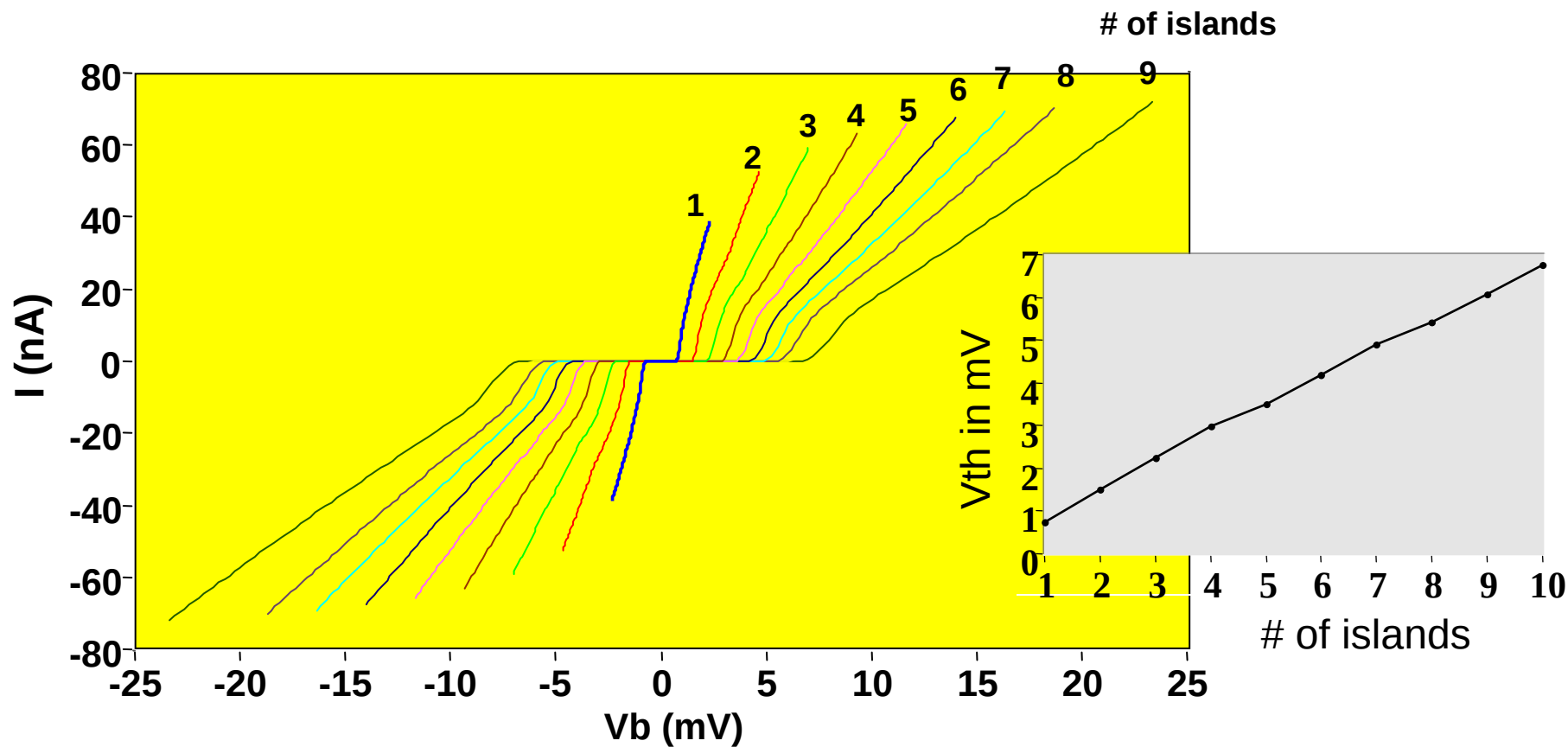
Fig. 2. Potential distribution of the infinite array in the units of  $-e/C_0$  and for one impurity at  $l_1 = 2$  with  $C_1/C_0 = -0.999$ .

$$-\phi_i = \frac{e}{C_{eff}} \Pi^{|i-k|}$$

$$\Pi \equiv x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1} \quad C_{eff} = \sqrt{C_0^2 + 4CC_0}$$

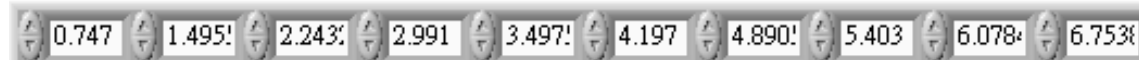
$$x = 1 + C_0/2C$$

# IV characteristics for 1D array with $C=100\text{aF}$ , $R=20\text{k}\Omega$



$$e/C=0.8\text{mV}$$

$V_{th}$  in mV



# A high strain two-stack two-color quantum well infrared photodetector

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FIG. 1. The schematic energy-band diagram of the two-stack, two-color InGaAs/AlGaAs MWIR and AlGaAs/GaAs LWIR QWIP.

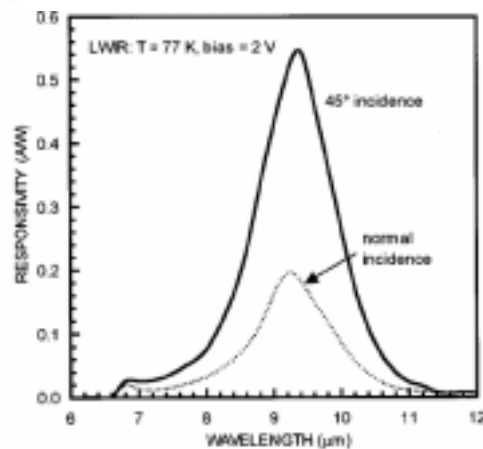
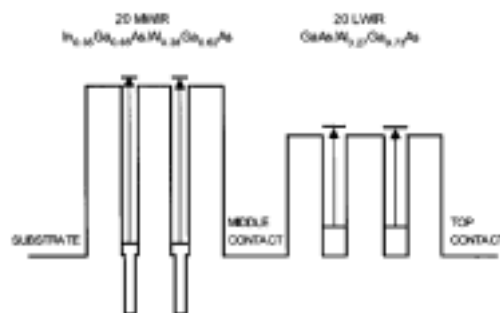


FIG. 7. The spectral responsivity for the LWIR stack measured at 2 V at 45° incidence (solid line) and normal incidence without grating (dashed line).

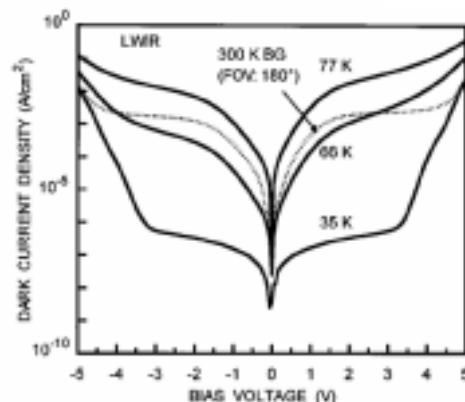


FIG. 3. The dark  $I-V$  curves for the LWIR stack measured at 35, 66, and 77 K, along with the 300 K window current measured at 30 K with a field of view (FOV) 180°.

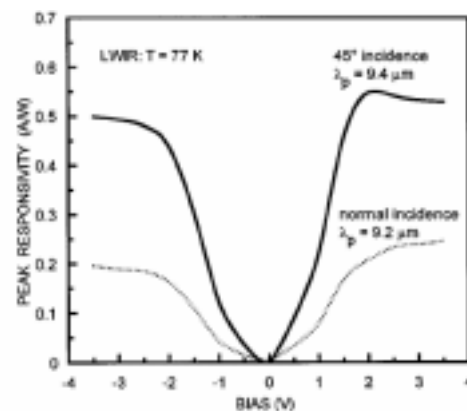


FIG. 6. The peak responsivity at  $\lambda_p = 9.4 \mu\text{m}$  vs bias voltage for the LWIR stack measured at 77 K at 45° incidence (solid line) and normal incidence without grating (dashed line).

# Laser: light amplification by stimulated emission of light

**Monochromatic, coherence**

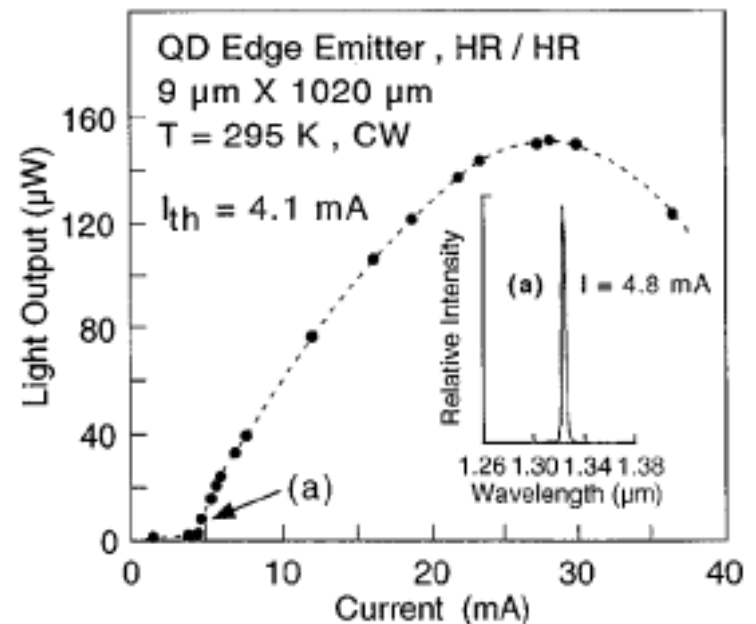
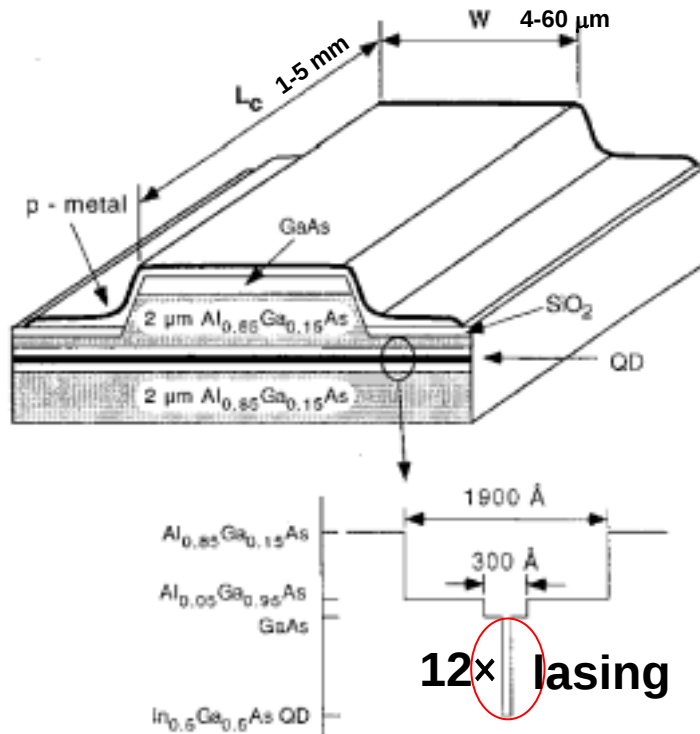
**Requires:**

1. Atoms with discrete energy levels for laser emission transition
2. Population inversion

Helium-Neon

Neodymium -YAG

**Quantum dot laser : Quantum dots = atoms**



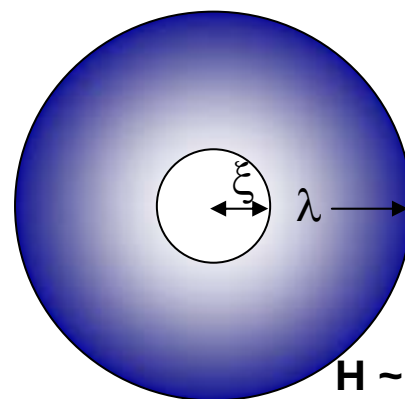
# Superconductivity

**Table 9.6. Transition temperatures  $T_C$ , coherence lengths  $\xi$ , and penetration depths  $\lambda$  of some typical superconductors**

| Material                         | Type | $T_C$ (K) | $\xi$ (nm) | $\lambda$ (nm) |
|----------------------------------|------|-----------|------------|----------------|
| Cd                               | I    | 0.56      | 760        | 110            |
| In                               | I    | 3.4       | 360        | 40             |
| Pb                               | I    | 7.2       | 82         | 39             |
| Pb-In alloy                      | II   | 7.0       | 30         | 150            |
| Pb-N alloy                       | II   | 16        | 5          | 200            |
| PbMo <sub>6</sub> S <sub>8</sub> | II   | 15        | 2          | 200            |
| V <sub>3</sub> Si                | II   | 16        | 3          | 60             |
| Mo <sub>3</sub> Ge               | II   | 23        | 3          | 90             |
| K <sub>3</sub> C <sub>60</sub>   | II   | 19        | 2.6        | 240            |

Source: Data are from C. P. Poole Jr, H. A. Farach, and R. J. Creswick  
*Superconductivity*, Academic Press, San Diego, 1995, p. 271.

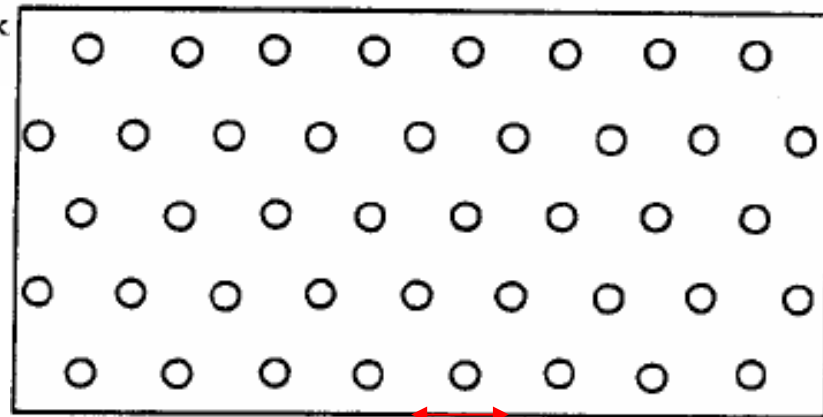
## A vortex core



$$H \sim \exp(r/\lambda)$$

enclose one flux quantum

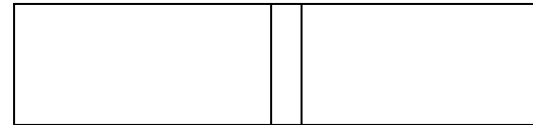
$$\Phi_0 = \frac{h}{2e} = 2.0678 \times 10^{-15} \text{ Tm}^2$$



$$= \lambda \text{ at } H_{C1}, \xi \text{ at } H_{C2}$$

- Josephson effect

$$j = j_c \sin(\Delta\phi)$$



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## Superconducting energy gap in Coulomb staircase tunneling structures

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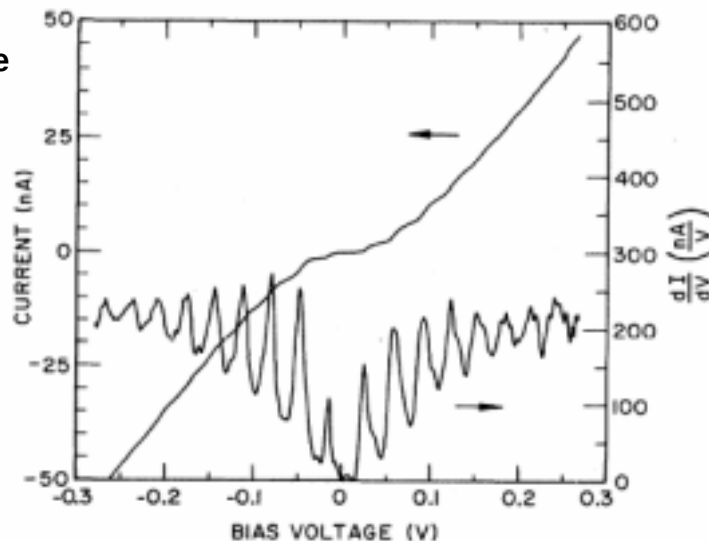


FIG. 1. Plots of  $I$  vs  $V$  and  $dI/dV$  exhibiting a clear Coulomb staircase. These were obtained from a tunneling structure formed between a granular Pb film and a STM tip.

$\Delta$  for Pb =  $1.25 \pm 0.1$  meV

$$V_{\text{step}} = Q_0/C_1 + ne/C_1 + 4\Delta \text{sgn}(Q_0/C_1 + ne/C_1)$$

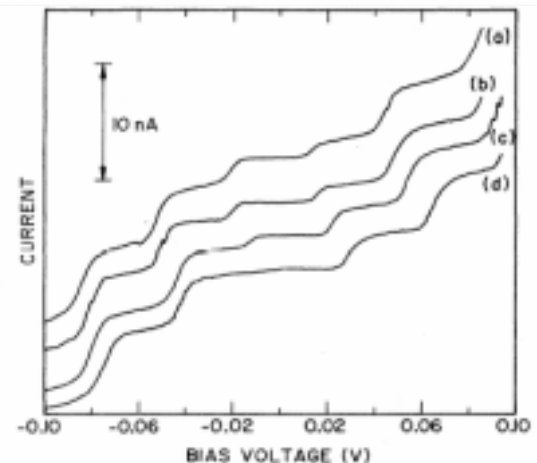


FIG. 3. Traces (a)–(d) show four different Coulomb staircase  $I$ - $V$  characteristics with the STM tip in the same position. The traces are displaced vertically for clarity. Although the step widths are approximately the same for each trace, the steps occur at different bias voltages, that is, they have different values of  $Q_0$ . [See Eq. (2).] In (d) it is probable that a step edge occurs close to zero bias and is not resolved in this trace because the step height is too small.