

LECTURE # 24

Note Title

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TRANSPORT PROPERTIES



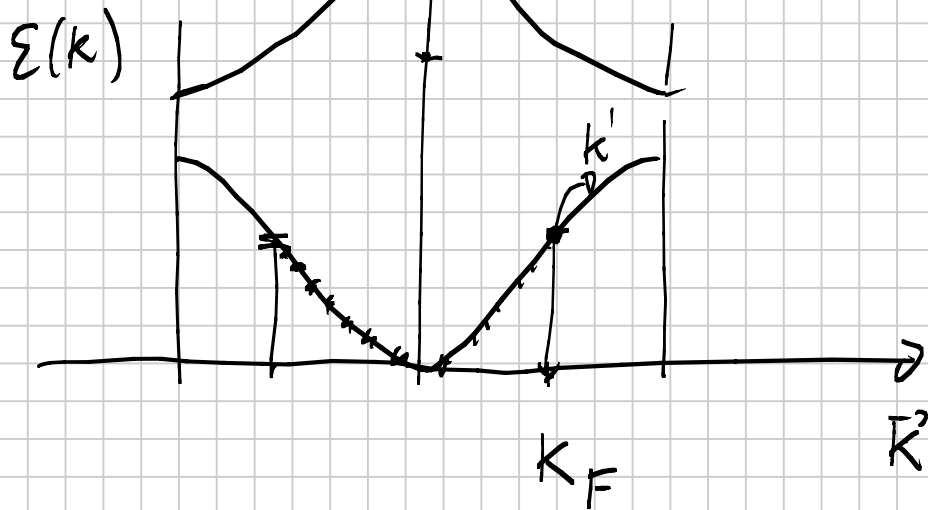
→ MEASURE A CURRENT

FORCE ON ONE ELECTRON:

$$\vec{F} = -e\vec{E}$$

CRYSTAL MOMENTUM
WILL CHANGE

$$\hbar \vec{k}_F \sim \vec{p}_F$$



$$\frac{\Delta \vec{p}}{\Delta t} = -e\vec{E}$$

PHONONS \rightarrow ELECTRON - LATTICE SCATTERING.

ELECTRON ACCELERATION OCCURS ONLY BETWEEN

TWO ELECTRON - PHONON SCATTERING EVENTS

$$\Delta \vec{p}_{\text{AVERAGE}} = \vec{F} \cdot \tau \quad \Delta p_{\text{AVER}} = \langle \Delta p \rangle$$

τ = RELAXATION TIME = AVERAGE DELAY

BETWEEN TWO ELECTRON - PHONON SCATTERING

EVENTS $\langle v_i \rangle = 0$ $\vec{E} = E \hat{x}$

$$m \langle v_f - v_i \rangle = m \langle v_f \rangle = -e E \cdot \tau$$

CURRENT DENSITY

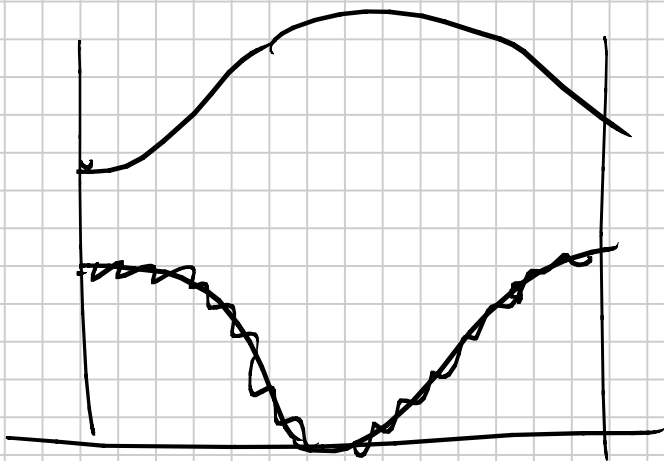
$$\vec{J} = -e m \langle \vec{v}_f \rangle = \frac{m e^2 \tau}{m} \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{J} = q \vec{v}$$

σ CONDUCTIVITY

$$\sigma = \frac{n e^2 \tau}{m} \quad \left(\text{DRUDE CONDUCTIVITY} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} = \rho \rightarrow \text{RESISTIVITY} \quad (\text{OHM-CM})$$



BAND COMPLETELY

FILLED

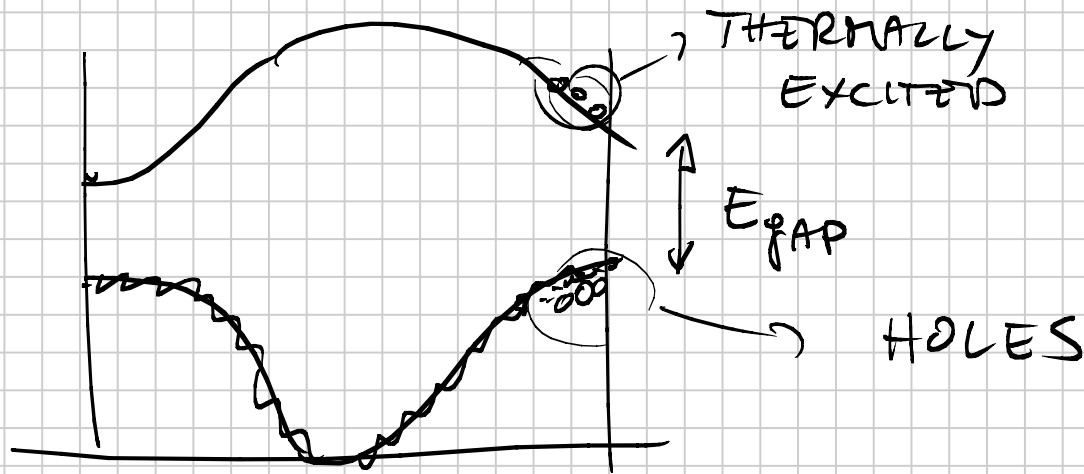
AT $T = 0$

NO $\Delta \vec{p}$ POSSIBLE

$$\Rightarrow \vec{J} = 0$$

(INSULATOR CASE)

AT FINITE TEMPERATURE



$$k_B T \sim E_{gap}$$

SEMICONDUCTOR

① METALS

FERMI SURFACE

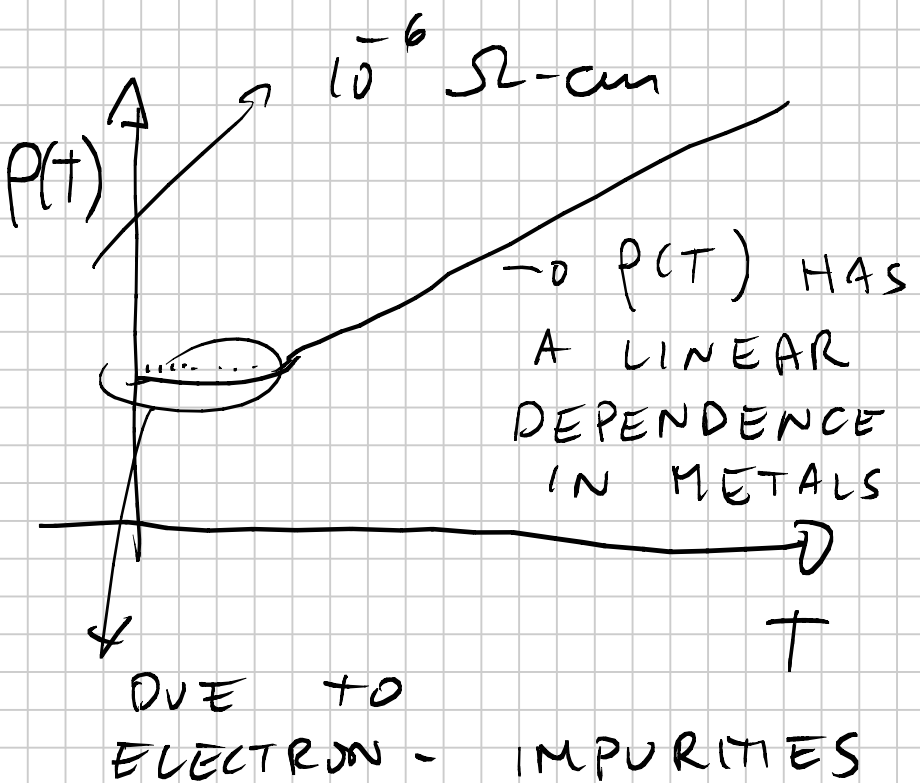
PARTIALLY FILLED BAND

$$\rho = \frac{1}{\sigma} \sim 10^{-6} \Omega\text{-cm}$$

HOW DOES ρ DEPEND ON TEMPERATURE?

$$\rho \sim \frac{m}{n e^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\tau}$$

$\frac{1}{\tau} \propto$ PROBABILITY OF SCATTERING WITH PHONONS



$\frac{1}{\tau}$ PROPORTIONAL TO DENSITY OF PHONONS

DENSITY OF PHONONS $\propto T$ (IN 3D)

(2)

SEMICONDUCTOR

CASE

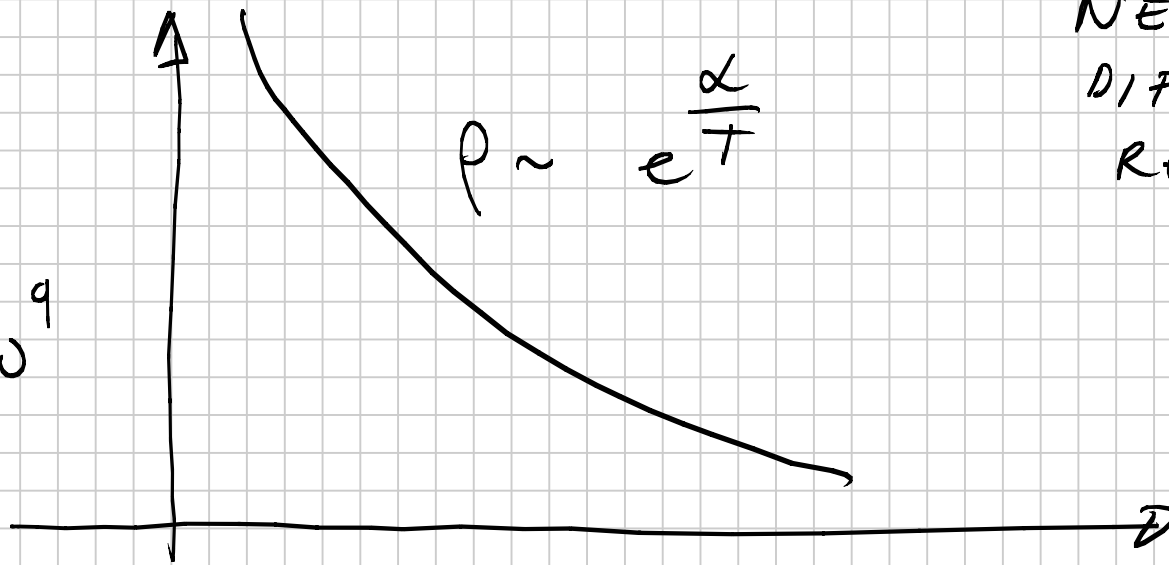
$$\sigma \sim \frac{n(T) e^2 \tau}{m} \sim \frac{n_0 e^{-\frac{E_g}{2k_B T}} e^2 \tau(T)}{m}$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

$$\rho(T)$$

$$10^{-3} \sim 10^9$$

$\Omega\text{-cm}$



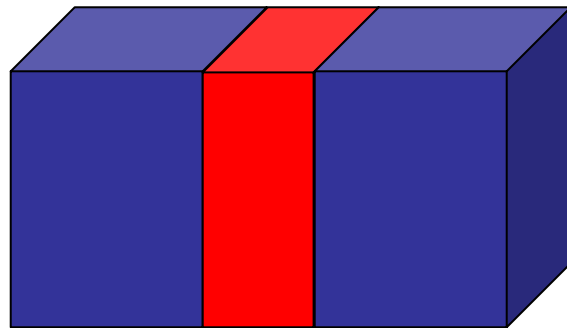
NEGATIVE
DIFFERENTIAL
RESISTIVITY

MOLECULAR BEAM EPITAXY



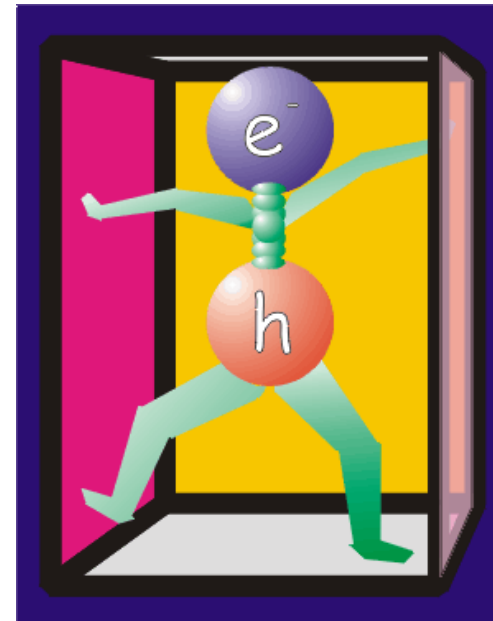
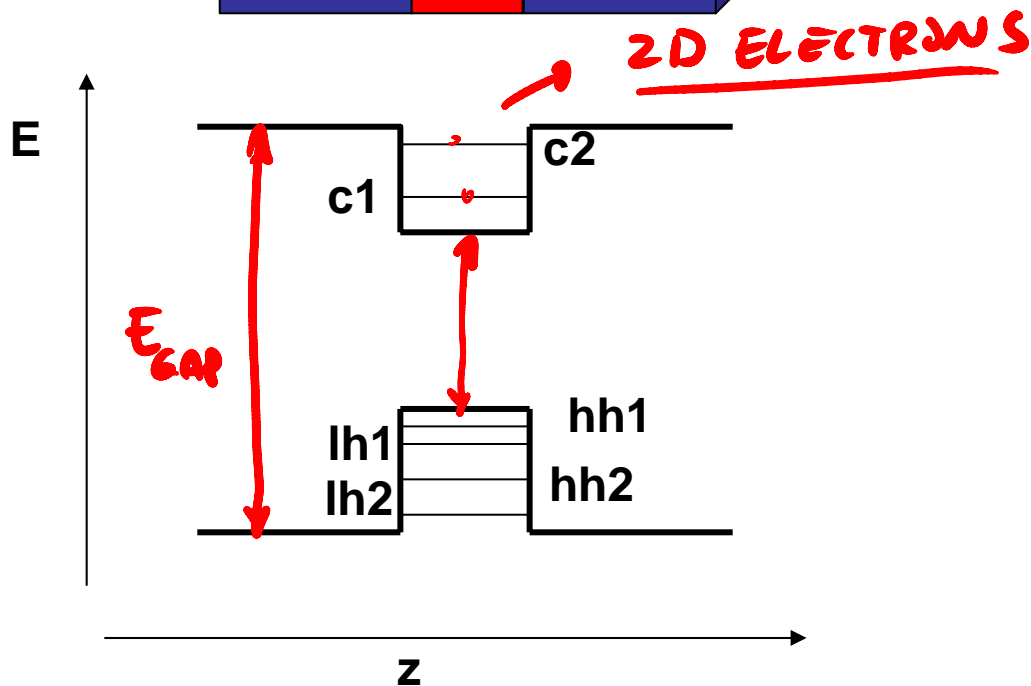
Excitons confined in a quantum well

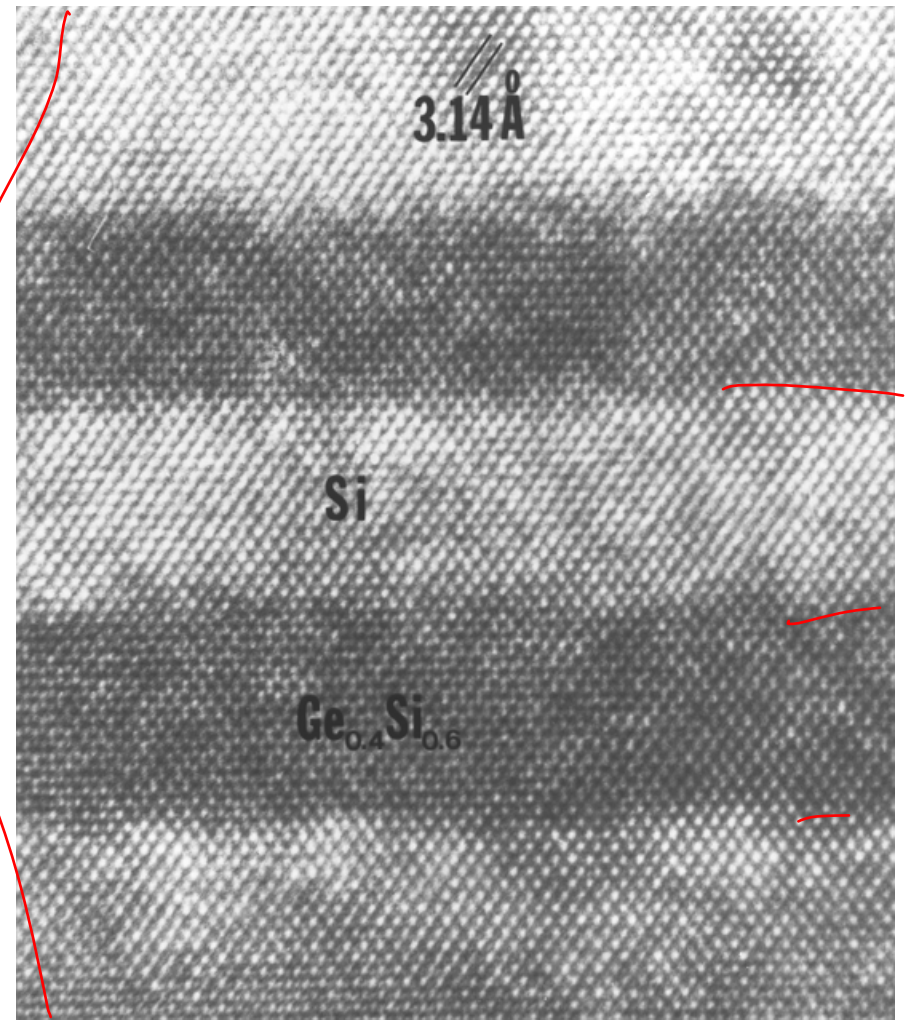
AlGaAs GaAs AlGaAs



Growth direction [001]

Propagation allowed only in the in-plane direction





BULK

QW

Q
WIRE

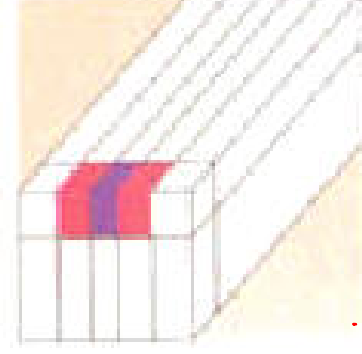
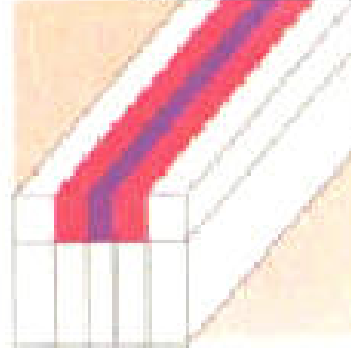
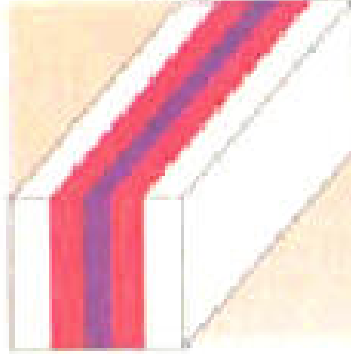
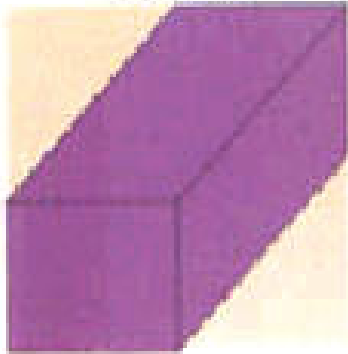
Q
DOT

THREE

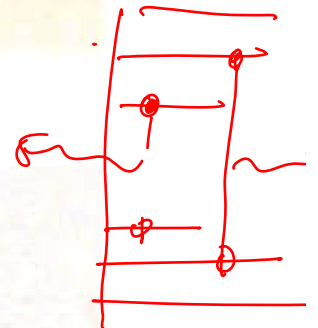
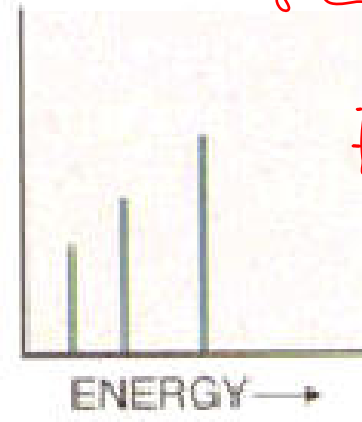
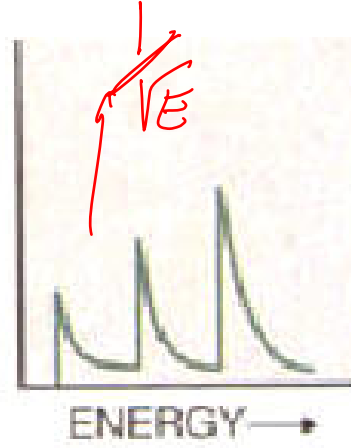
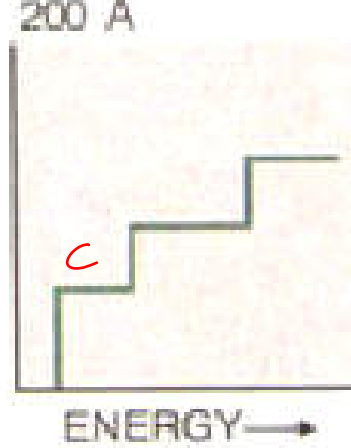
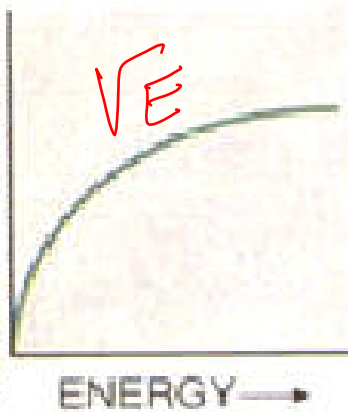
TWO

ONE

ZERO



DENSITY OF STATES

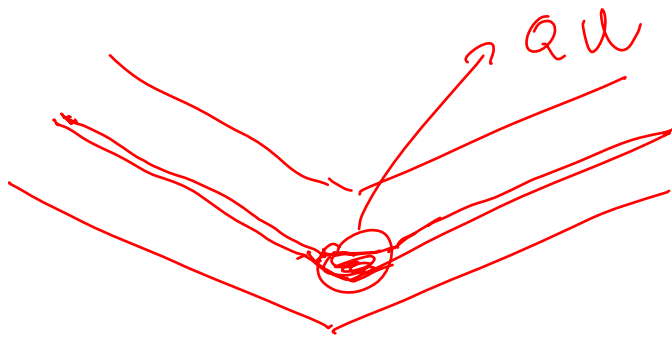
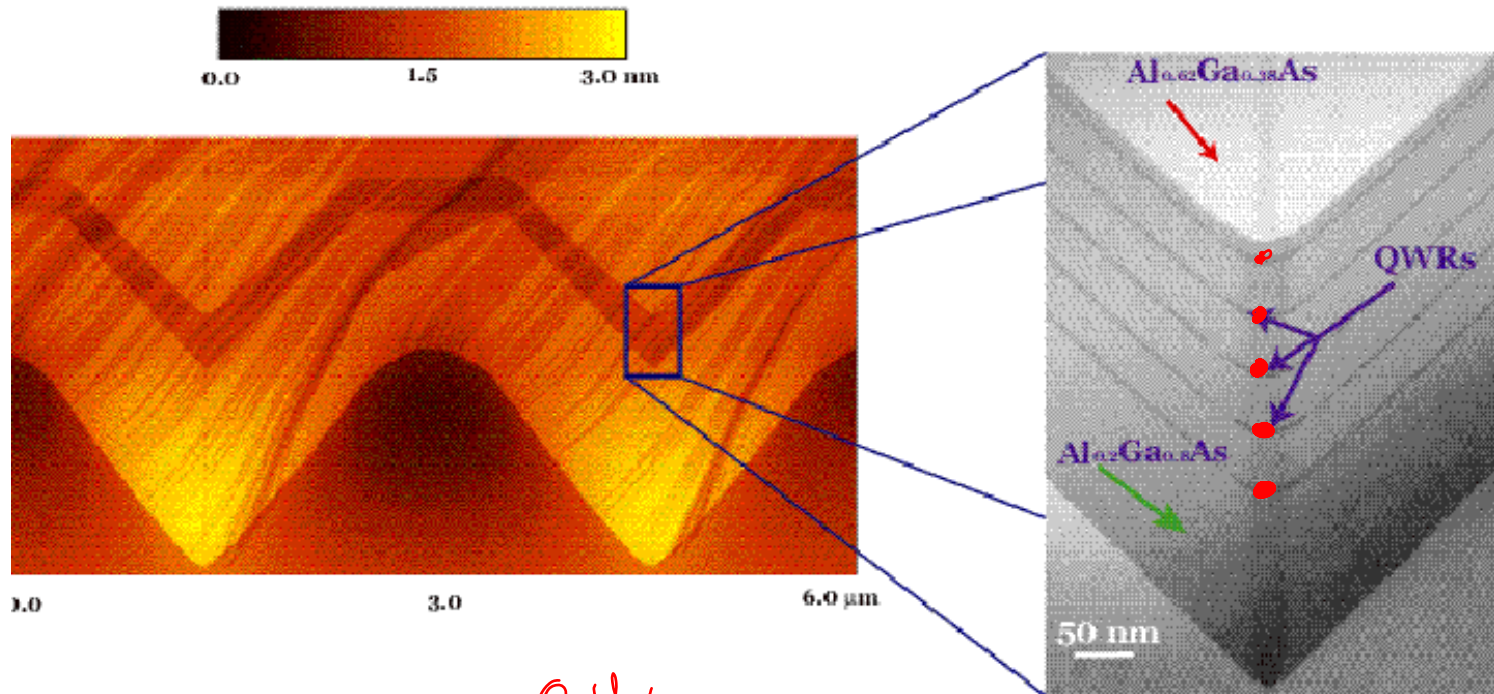


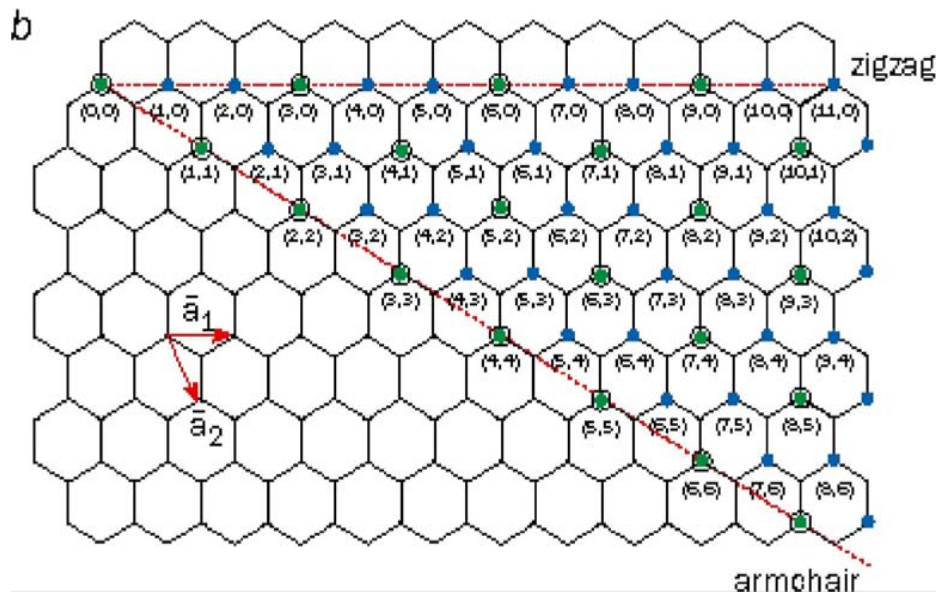
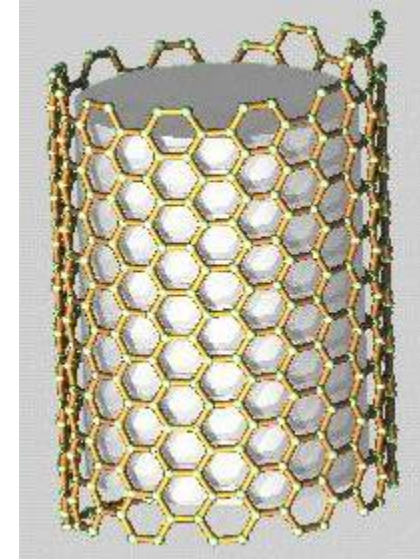
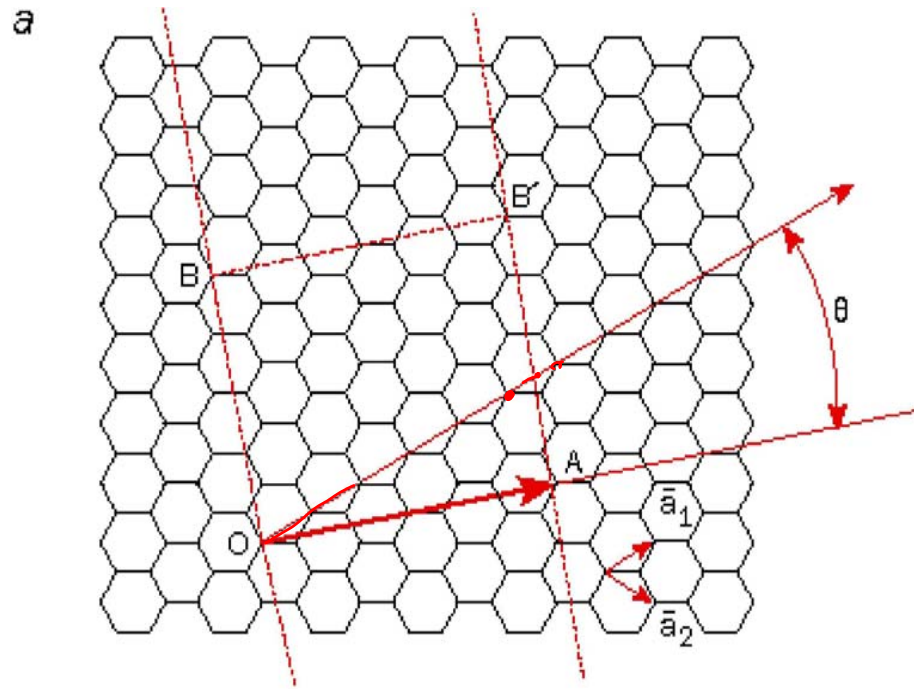
$$g(E) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \delta(E - \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m})$$

$$g(E) = c$$

$$g(E) = \sum \delta(E - E_n)$$

V-GROOVED QWIRES





GRAPHITE

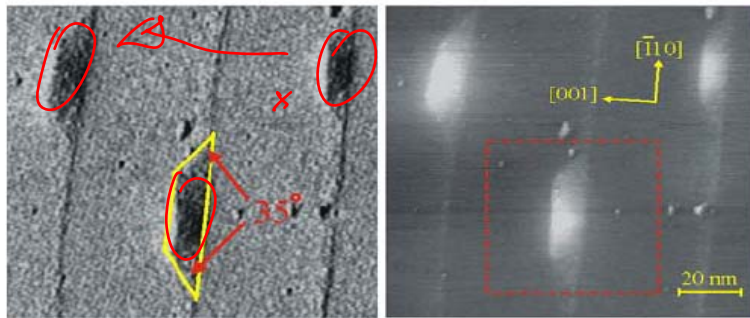
GRAPHENE

SINGLE 2D PLANE

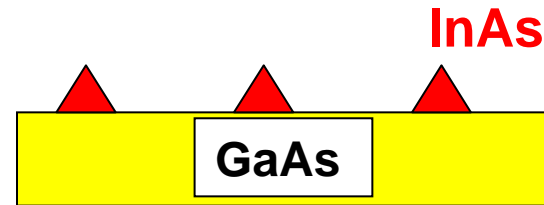
MOLECULAR
ELECTRONICS

Quantum Dots are artificial atoms made of semiconductor materials

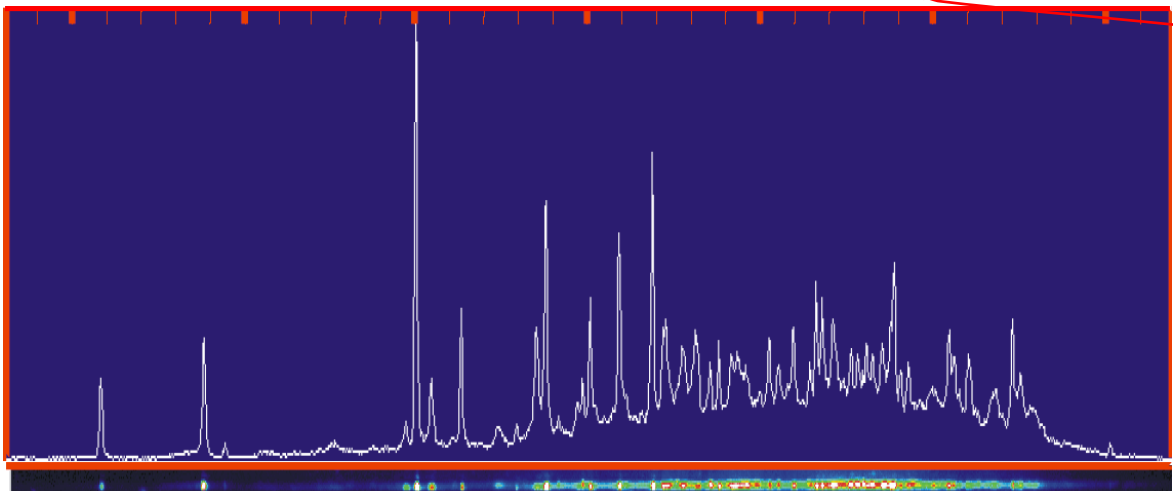
Self-assembled quantum dots



1 nm = 0.000000001 m

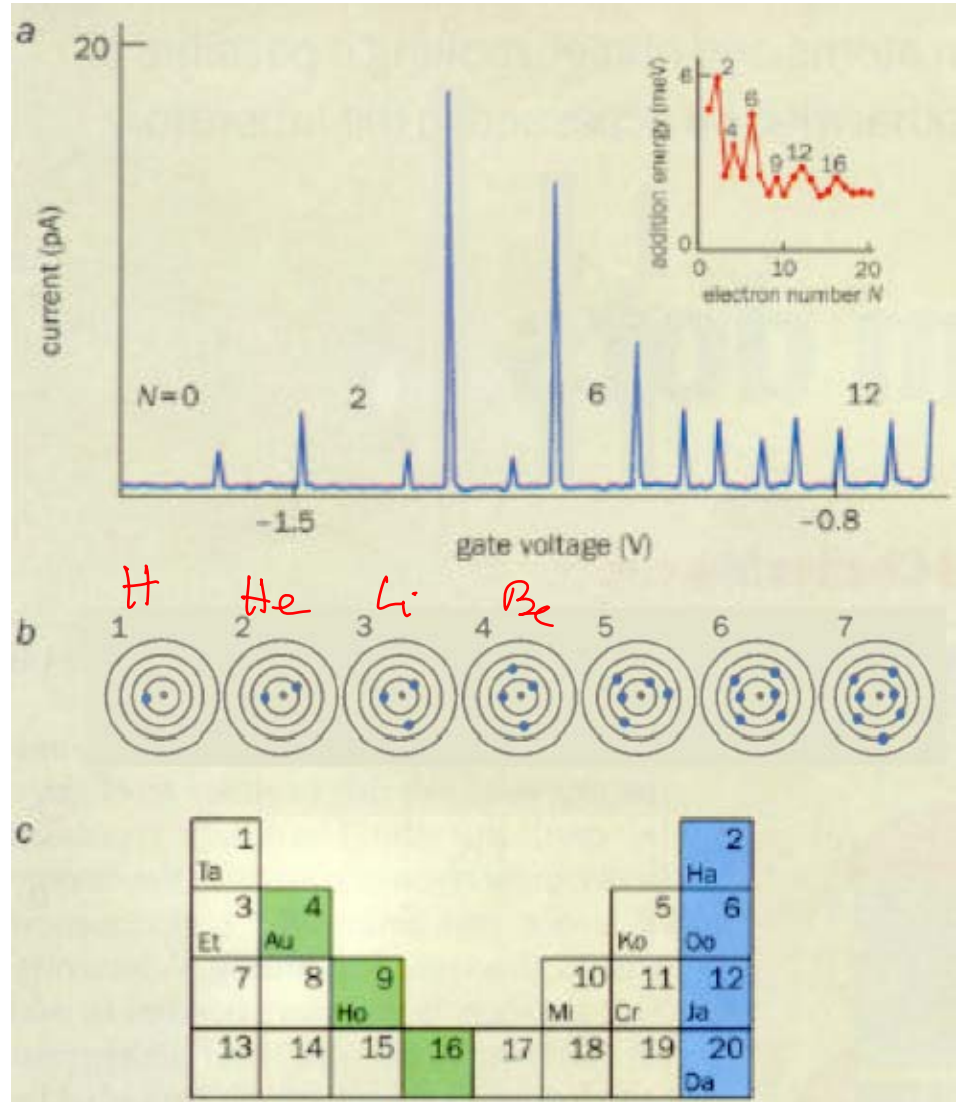
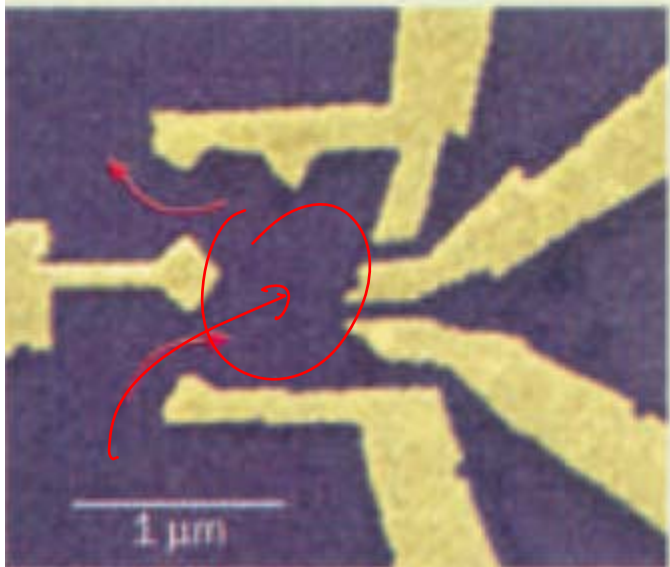
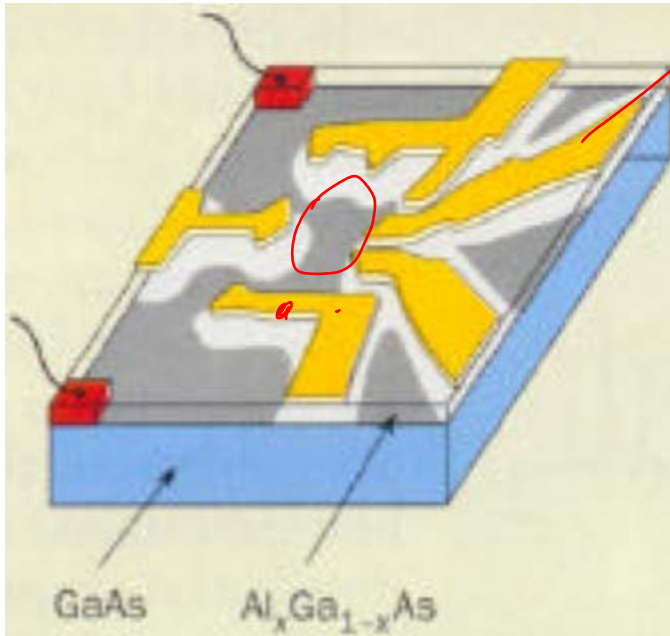


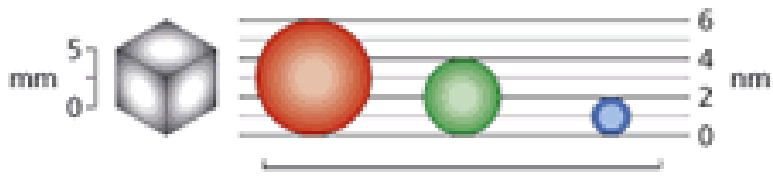
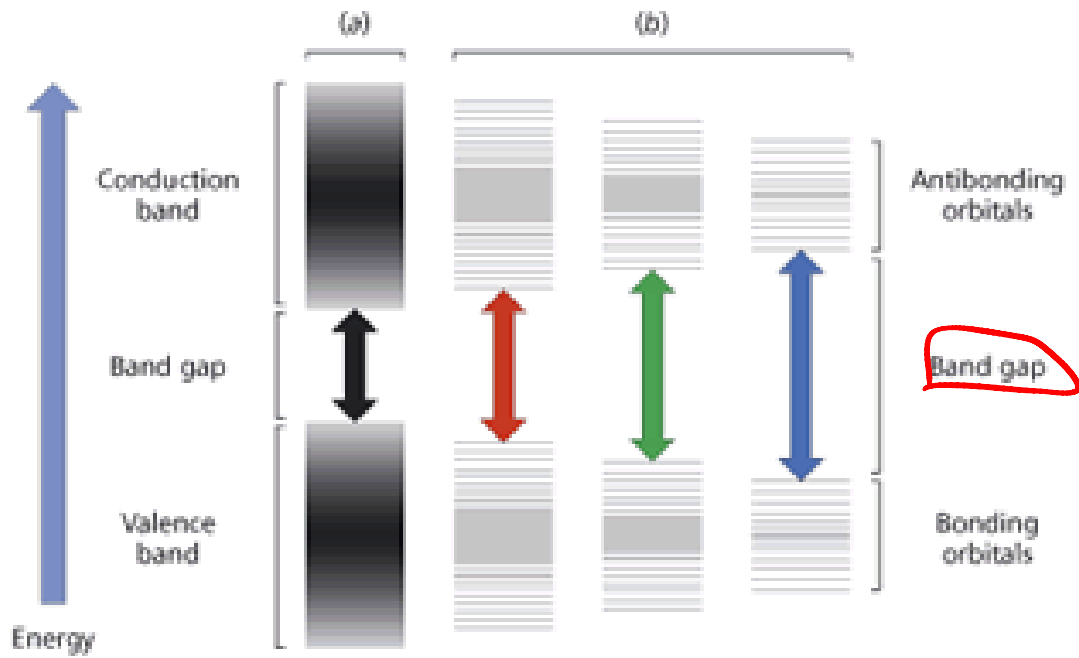
Atom Quantum Dot 1 inch



Emission spectrum like in atoms

METAL GATES





Macroscopic crystal

II-VI

