

Lecture 6 What is Condensed Matter Physics?

Lecture 7 Quantum Mechanics and Artificial Materials

-- High-tech and the State-of-the-art Physics

Lecture 8 Atom Control and Quantum Control

--Nano-science and Quantum Information

Lecture 9 Diverse Matter and Physical Properties

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Review of Lecture 6 (1)

- Story about scale.
- Modern civilization and physics.
 - Personal computers, cellular phones, satellite communications, GPS, and MRI.
 - Semiconductors, magnetic bodies, dielectric, liquid crystals, gels, superconductors.
- Condensed matter physics is the field of physics.
 - Matter and materials.
 - Materials science and materials engineering.
 - Incorporation of the concept with elementary particle physics.
 - The hierarchy structure in the physical world. \Rightarrow emergent properties.
 - Diversity in matter and physical properties.

Review of Lecture 6 (2)

- Quantum mechanics and atomic structure.
 - Energy level in atoms \Rightarrow shell structure \Rightarrow periodic law.
 - The energy scale \sim eV in the outermost shell is the most essential to the properties of the element.
- The existing forms of matter.
 - Energy versus entropy \Rightarrow phase transition.
- Agglutination mechanism and crystal structure in atom.
 - Crystal structure \Rightarrow X-ray (electron beam, neutron beam) diffraction.
 - The bonding force of atoms: Van der Waal bonding, ion bonding, covalent bonding, metal bonding, hydrogen bonding.
- \Rightarrow Diversity of matter and physical properties. (Lecture 9)

Today's Topics

- Overview of quantum mechanics
- Quantum interference
- Artificial materials in mesoscopic systems
- Quantum conduction

Overview of Quantum Mechanics

Quantum Mechanics

Theoretical description of behaviors in microscopic systems

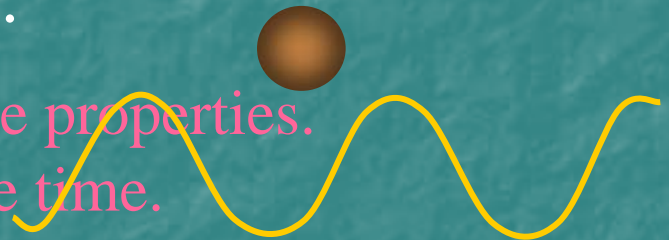
Structure of atoms and molecules.

The behavior of an electron in a solid state.

Visible radiation and matter.

Light: possesses both wave and particle properties.

Electron: particle and wave at the same time.



The expressions such as “particle” and “wave” used to refer to everyday phenomena (classical mechanics) is now considered just an analogy that contributes to the phenomena relevant to quantum mechanics.

Particle properties: discreteness and separateness

Wave properties: superposition and interference

In Quantum Mechanics, a Particle also Behaves as a Wave

de Broglie wavelength:

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

Momentum

de Broglie wavelength of electron accelerated at 100V:

$$E = \frac{p^2}{2m} \Rightarrow p = \sqrt{2mE}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= \frac{h}{p} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mE}} \\ &= \frac{6.62 \times 10^{-34}}{\sqrt{2 \times 0.91 \times 10^{-30} \times 100 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}} \\ &= 1.23 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} \quad \lambda = 0.12 \text{ nm}\end{aligned}$$

de Broglie wavelength in classical particles, e.g., tennis ball is extremely short.

Quantum Mechanics

The state of a particle is described by a wave function $\psi(x, y, z, t)$

The existence probability of a particle is given by $|\psi(x, y, z, t)|^2$

Time evolution of a wave function follows Schrodinger's equation

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \psi(x, y, z, t) = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) + V(r) \right) \psi(x, y, z, t)$$

Linear equation \Rightarrow superposition principle

$$\psi_1, \quad \psi_2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \psi_1 + \psi_2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{Quantum interference}$$

Uncertainty Relation

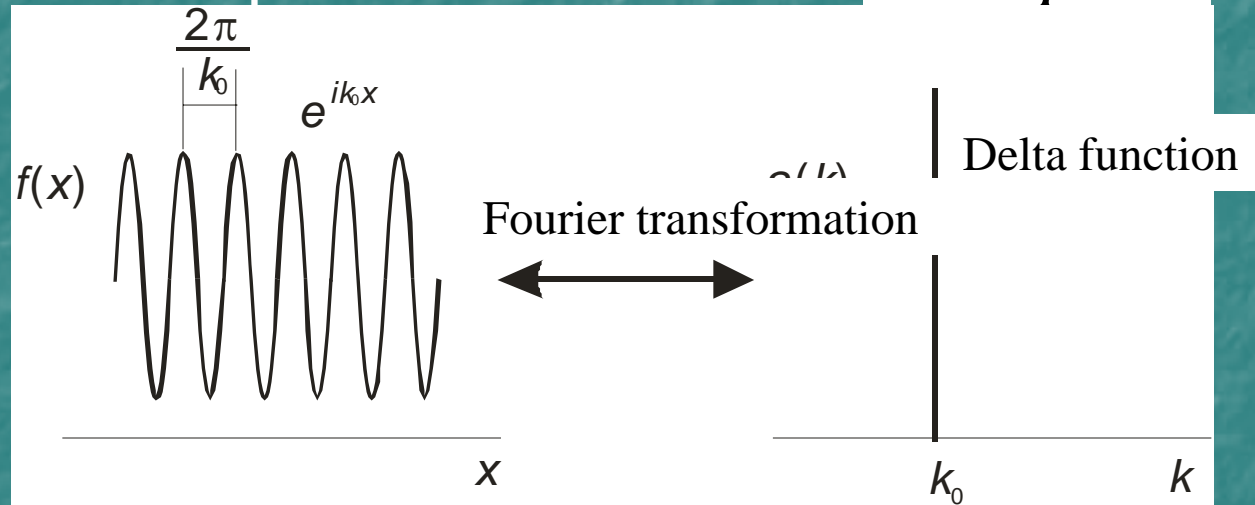
There is uncertainty relation between position and momentum for particle in quantum mechanics. $\Delta x \cdot \Delta p \geq \hbar$

Defined momentum

$$p = \hbar k_0$$

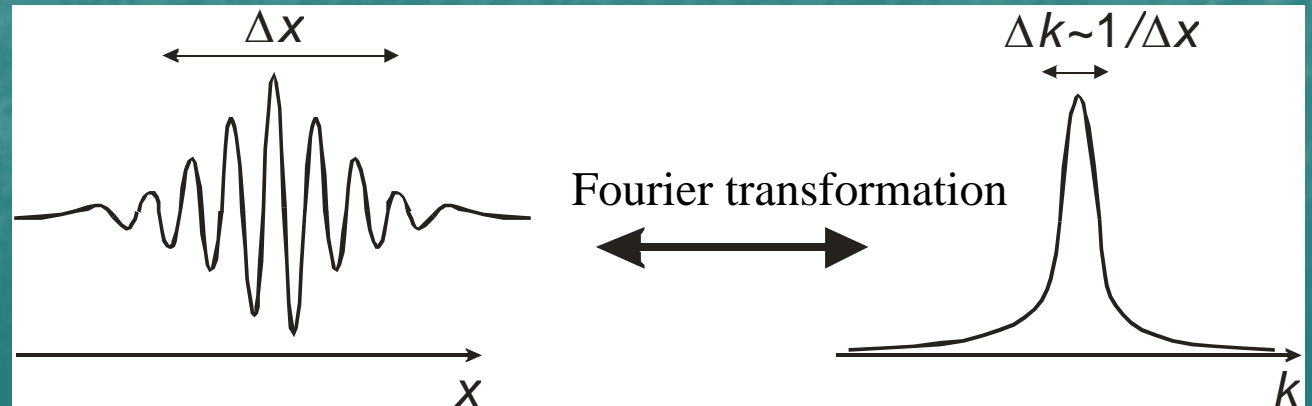
Plane wave

$$\psi(x) = e^{ik_0 x}$$



Wave packet

$$\psi(x) = \sum_k c(k) e^{ikx}$$



Quantum-mechanical State and Measured Value

The existence probability of a particle can be obtained by $|\psi(x, y, z, t)|^2$

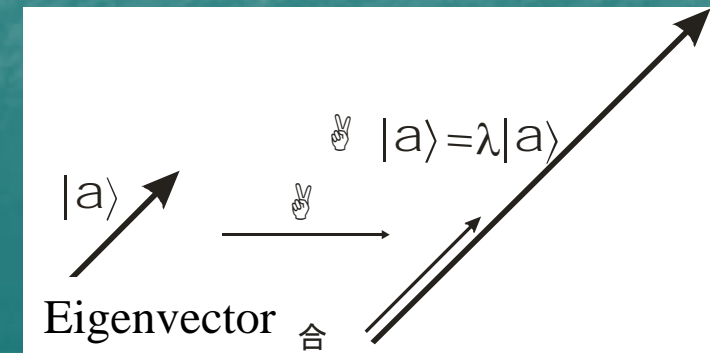
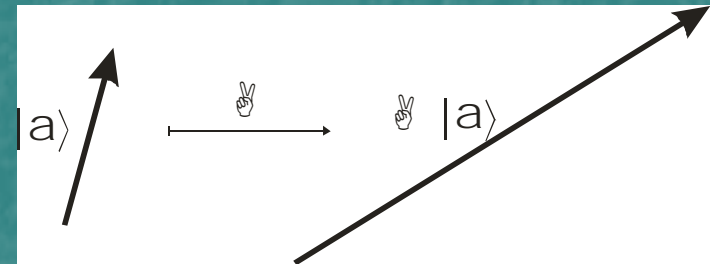
The exact point of existence can be determined by measuring the position of the particle.

The state in quantum mechanics is described in “wave function”, in other words “**Hilbert space**”, i.e., state vector in abstract space.

Each physical quantity has corresponding operator:
eigenfunction and eigenvalue of operator.

Linear algebra

$$\hat{\psi} \psi = \lambda \psi$$



Quantum Mechanical Measuring

In general, quantum mechanics can give probability distribution of measurements obtained by repeated measurement of the “same state” physical quantity but, it cannot give the probability distribution of measured values of different and individual states.

Measurement determines the quantum state in a single eigenstate of physical quantity \Rightarrow “contraction of the state”

Time evolution in Schrodinger's equation and the contraction of wave function by measurement.

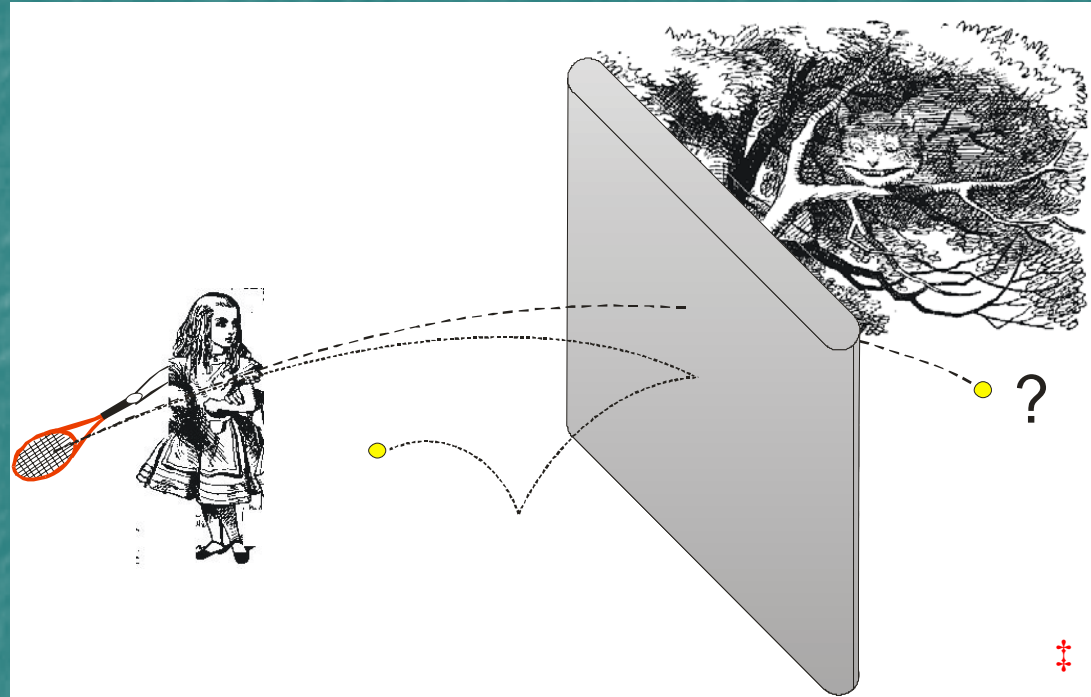
The most common interpretation in quantum mechanics:
Copenhagen interpretation.

The observation problem and interpretation problem of quantum mechanics

Characteristic Phenomena in Quantum Mechanics

Tunnel effect

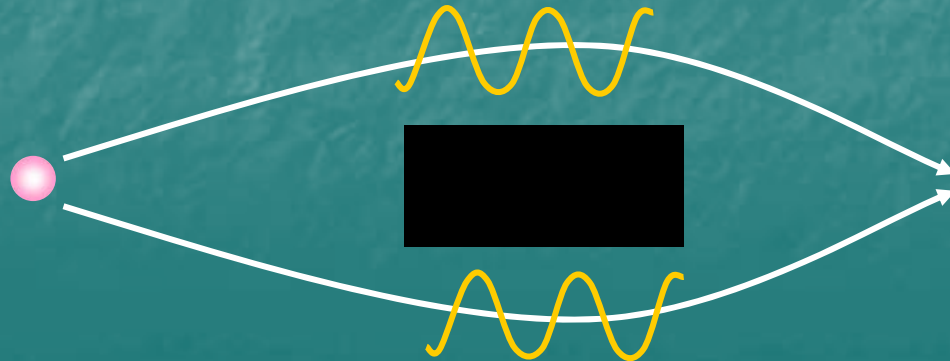
- Particle can pass through a potential barrier, something that is inconceivable in classical mechanics.



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Quantum interference effect

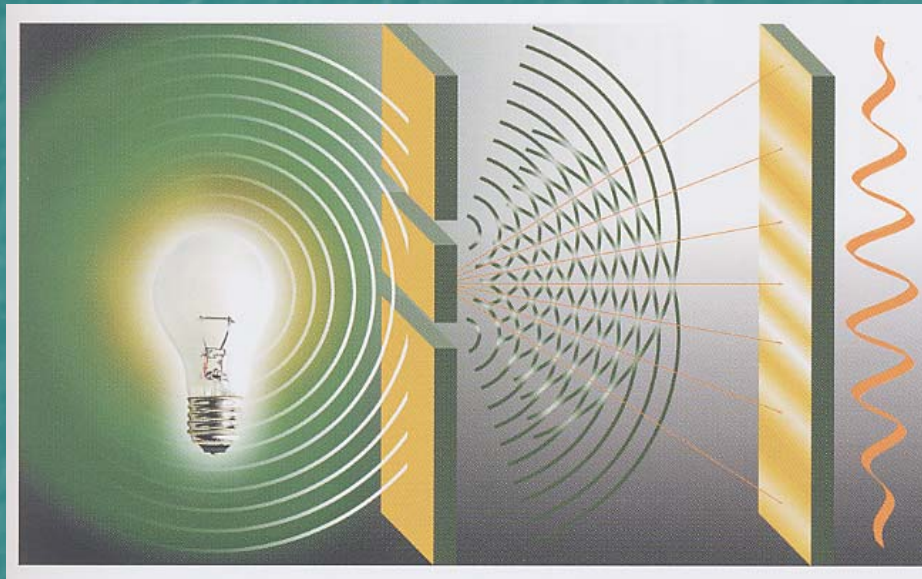
- Superpositioning of different paths.
⇒ quantum interference.



Quantum Interference

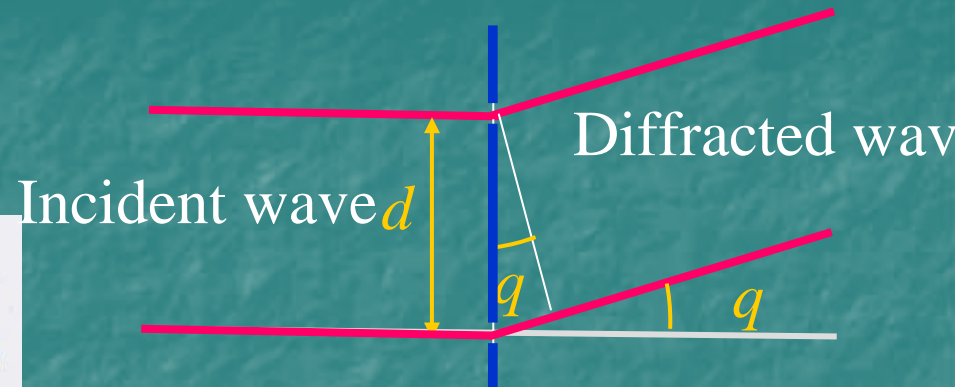
Light Wave Interference

The double-slit experiment by Young. (1805)

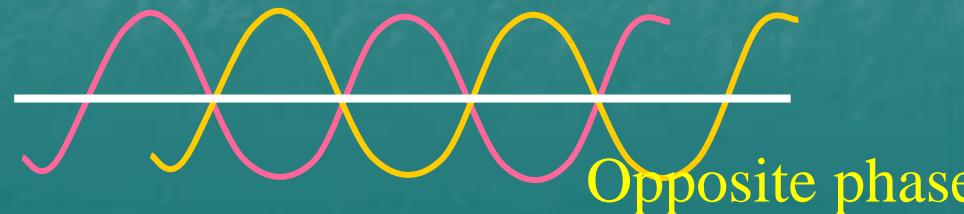
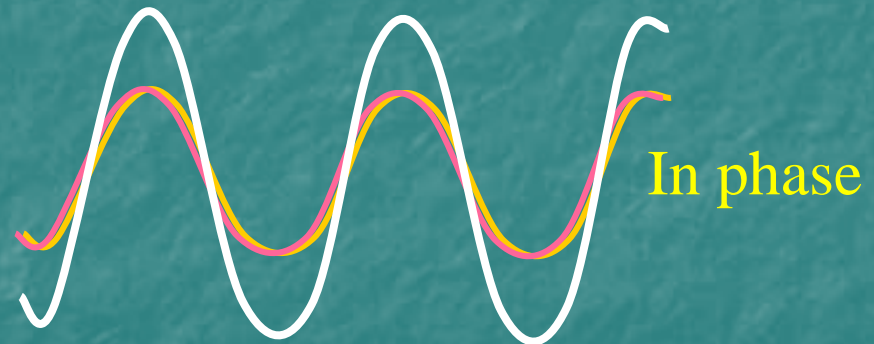


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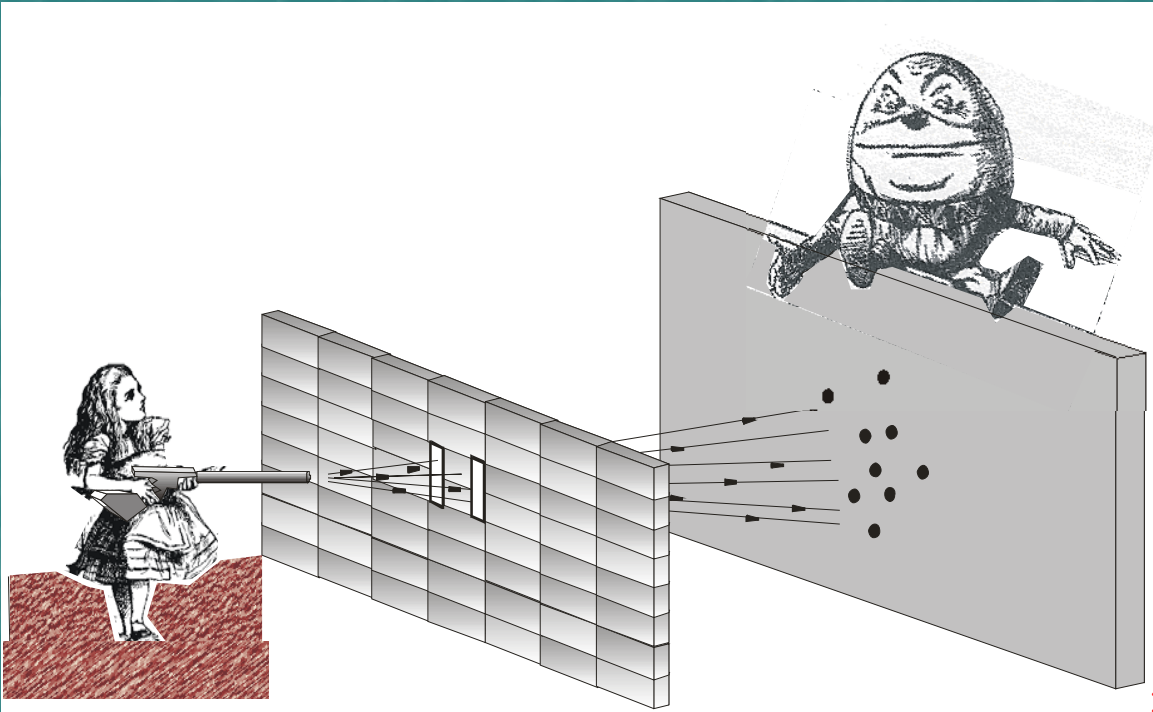
Image of interfering waves as light passes through each slit.



$$d \sin \theta = \begin{cases} n\lambda & \text{Intensifying} \\ (n + \frac{1}{2})\lambda & \text{Canceling} \end{cases}$$



For Classical Particles

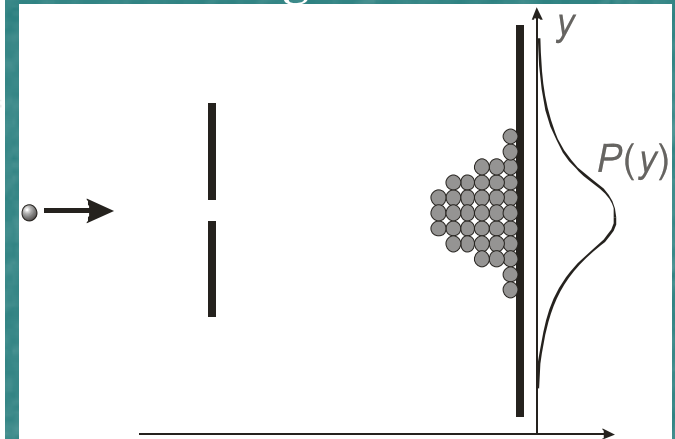


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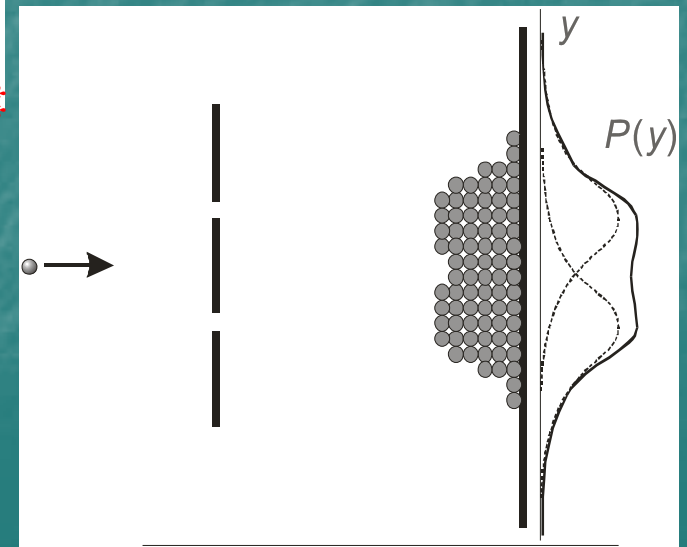
Probability of bullets hitting the wall:
= probability of bullets hitting the wall
through the right slit.
+ probability of bullets hitting the wall
through the left slit.

$$P_{\text{total}}(y) = P_R(y) + P_L(y)$$

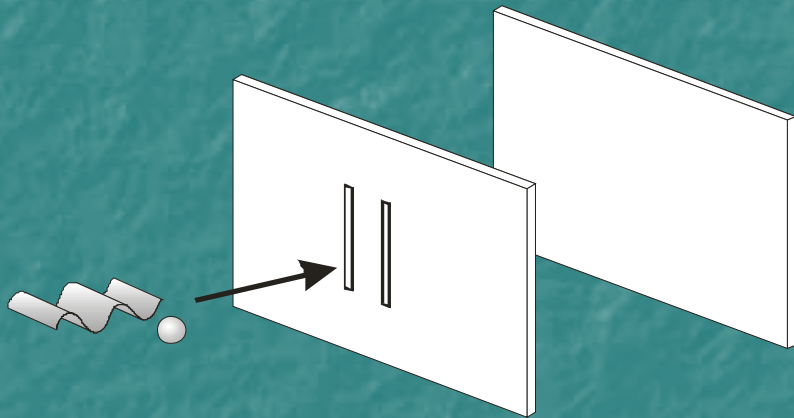
Single slit



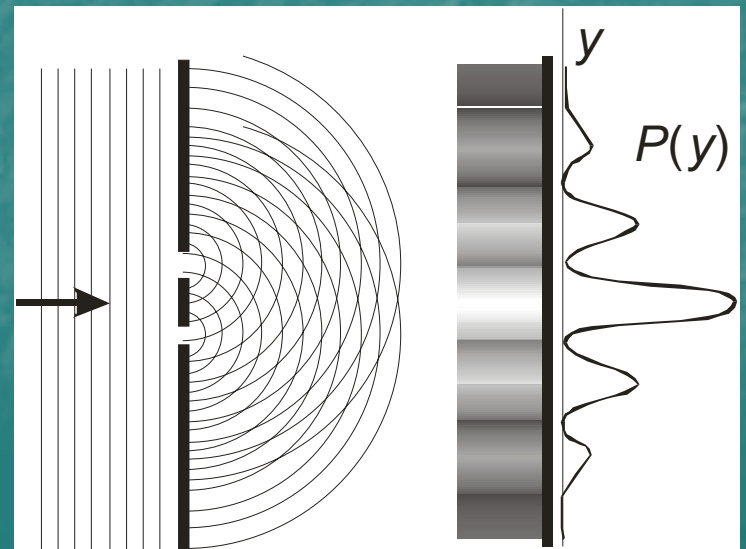
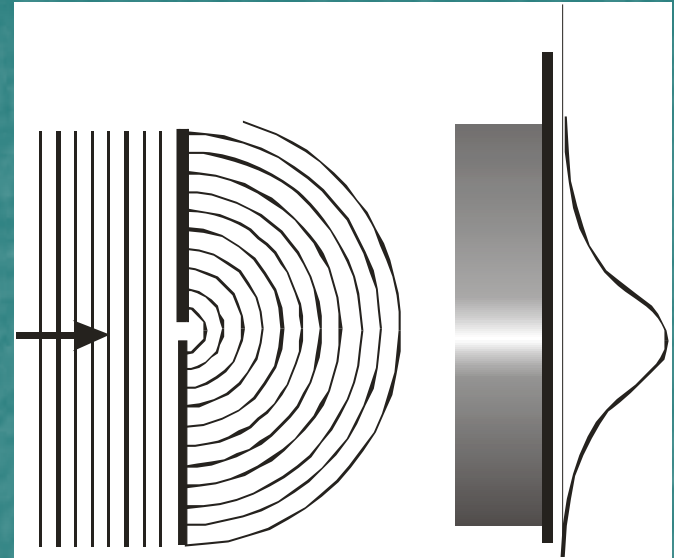
A double slit



The Incident Wave



Interference pattern



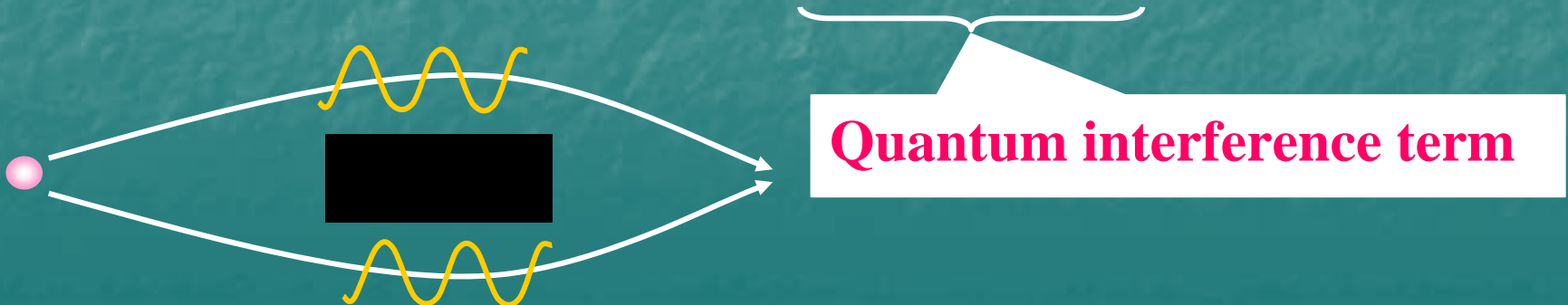
Particles in Quantum Mechanics

$$\Psi_{\text{total}} = \Psi_R + \Psi_L$$

Wave function = Wave function for particles passing through the right slit.
+ Wave function for particles passing through the left slit.

$$\text{Probability} = |\text{Wave function}|^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi_{\text{total}}|^2 &= |\Psi_R + \Psi_L|^2 \\ &= |\Psi_R|^2 + |\Psi_L|^2 + \Psi_R^* \Psi_L + \Psi_R \Psi_L^* \end{aligned}$$



Electron Interference

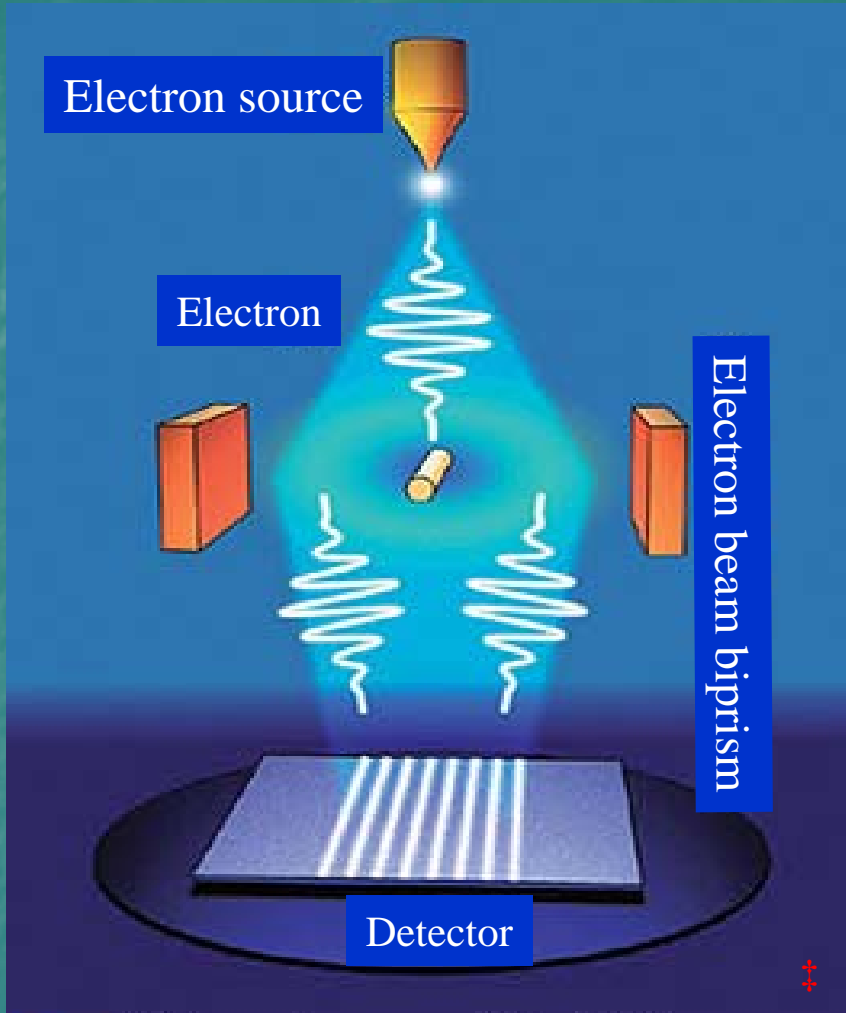
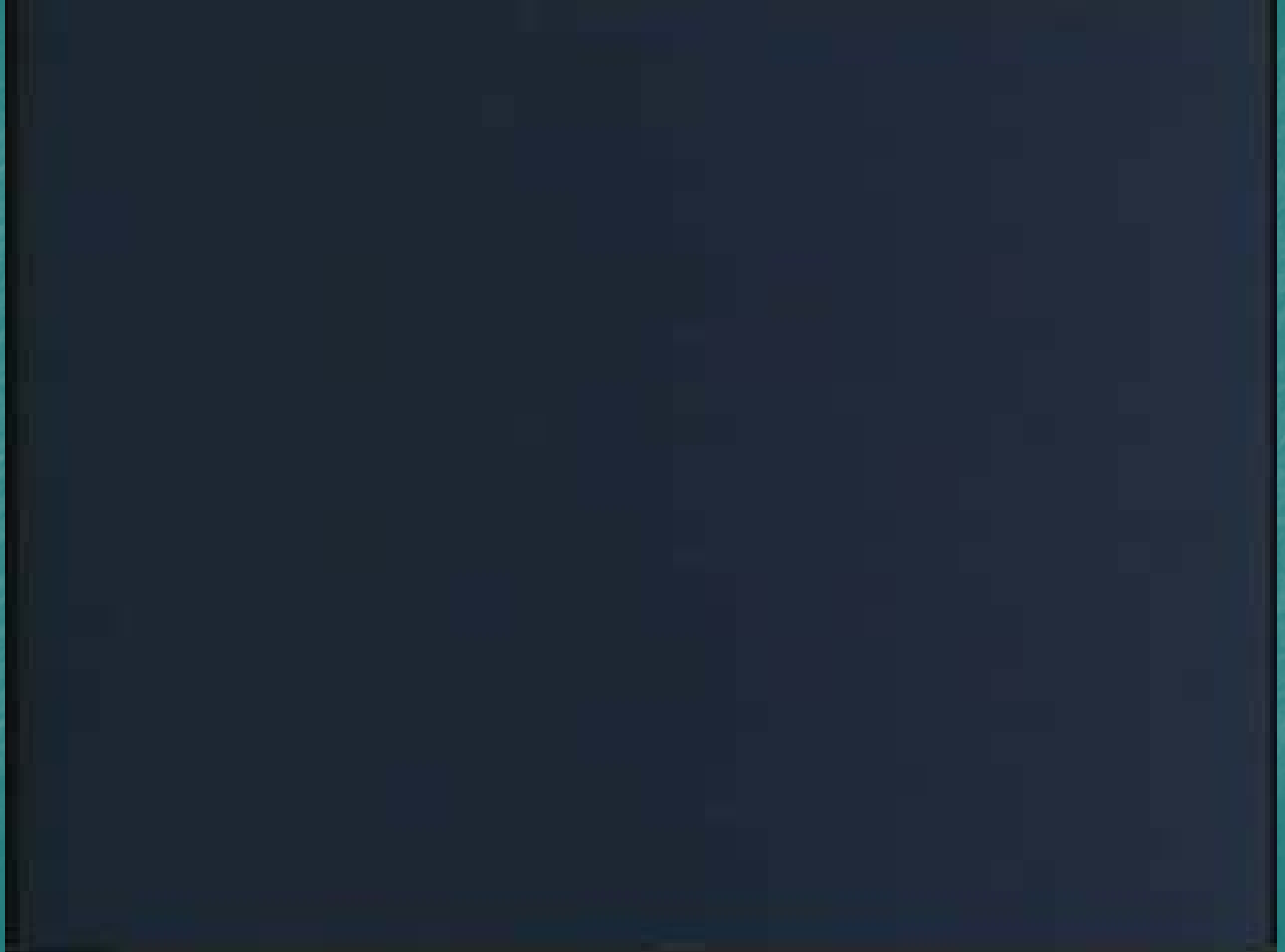


Figure 3. A double-slit experiment of electrons: Electron beam biprisms are used to replace slits. The experiment was so difficult to perform that people used to think that it could be realized only in one's mind and not in reality.

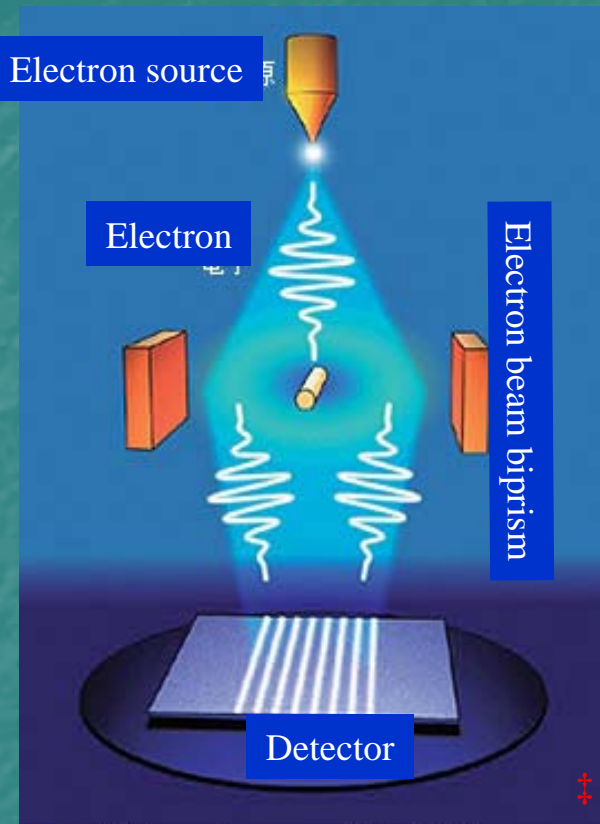
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The Double-slit Experiment of Electron

(Dr. Akiro Sotomura)



Electron Interference

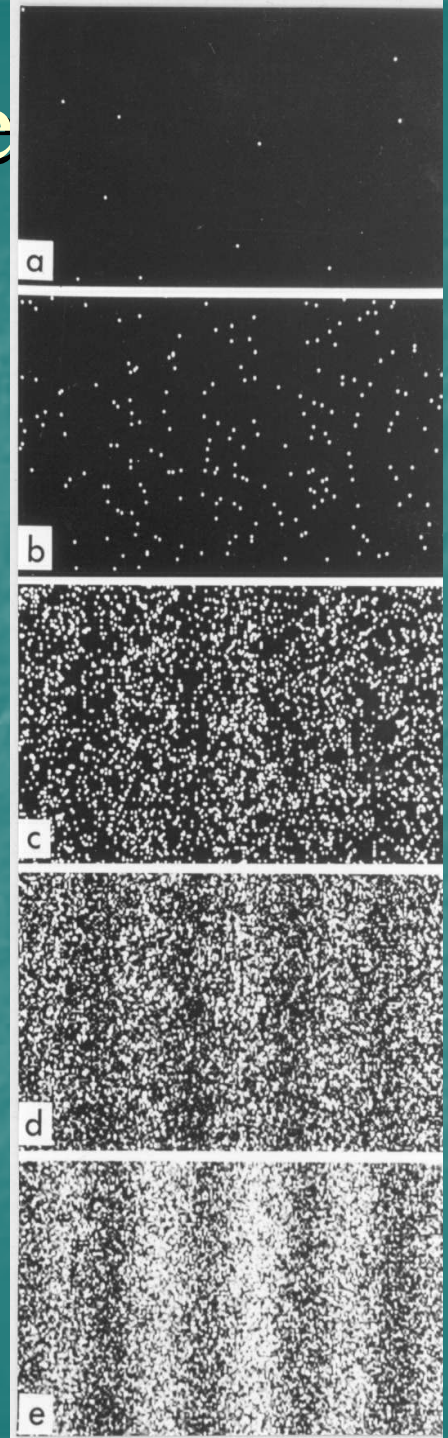


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Electrons
individually
reach the screen.

Interference pattern appears.

Clear evidence for
an electron's wave
properties.

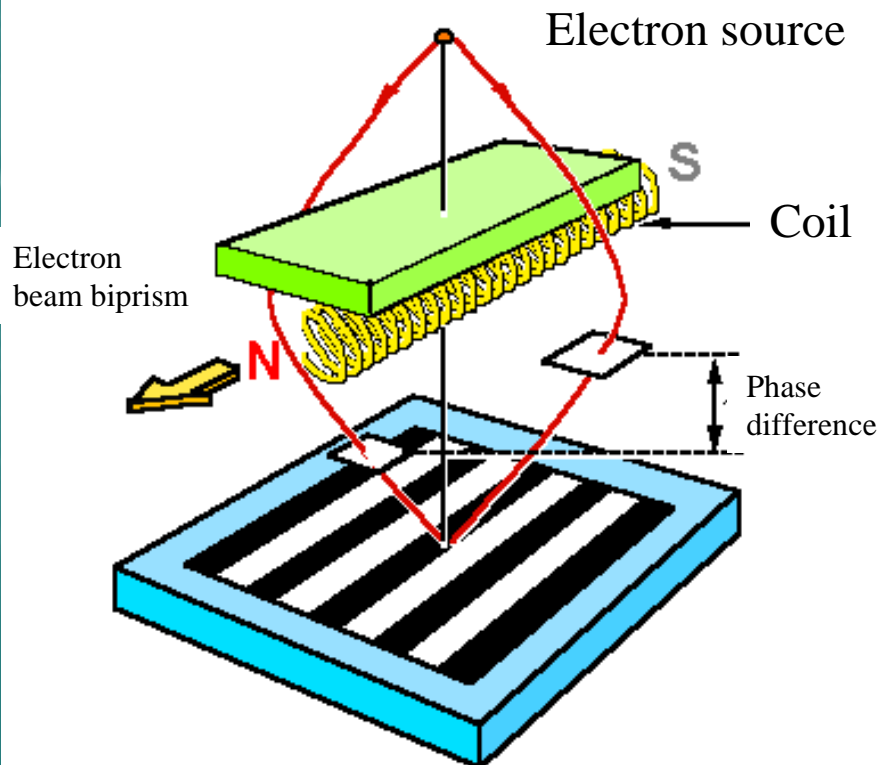


Aharonov-Bohm Effect (AB Effect)

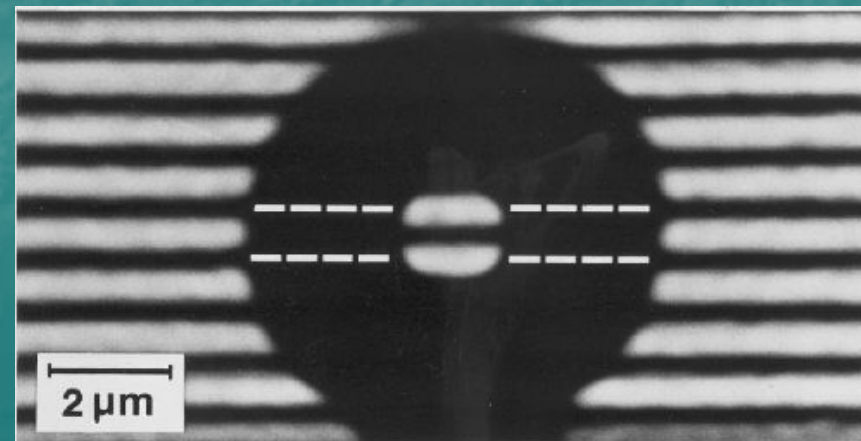
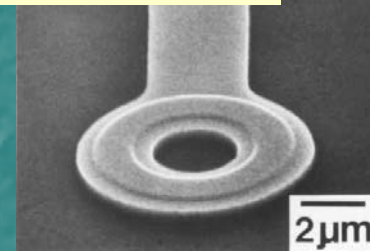
The magnetic field (**vector potential**) changes the phase of the electron wave function

$$\psi \Rightarrow \psi e^{i \frac{e}{\hbar} \int \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r}}$$

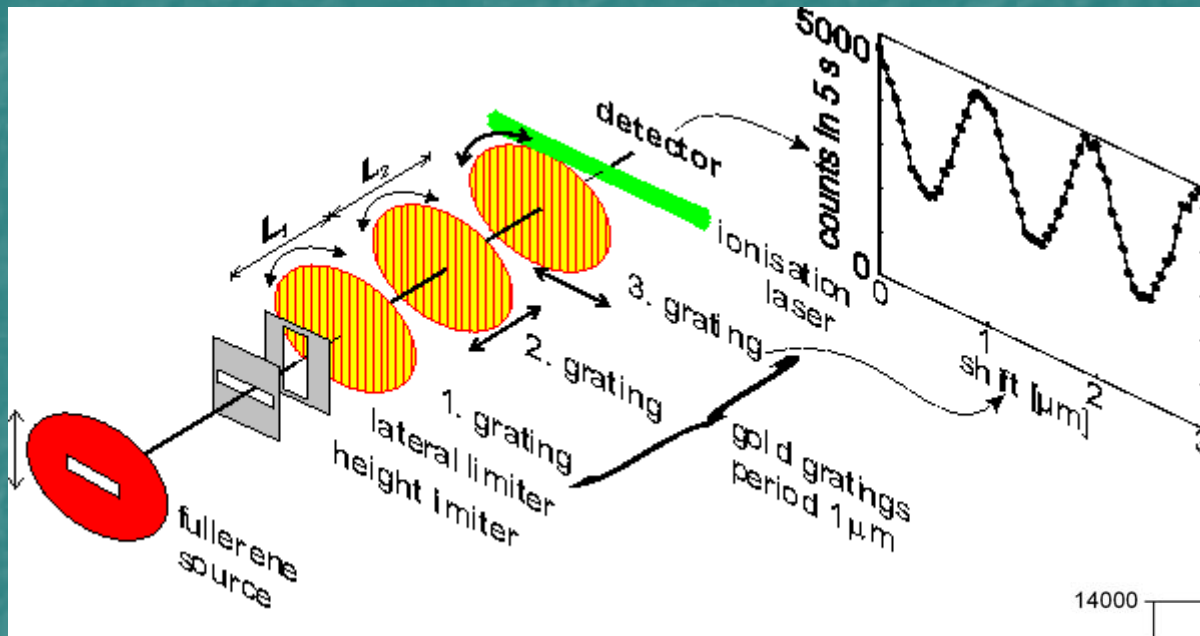
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\theta &= \frac{\hbar}{e} \int_L \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \frac{\hbar}{e} \int_R \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{e} \oint_{\text{loop}} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \frac{\hbar}{e} \int \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} \\ &= 2\pi \frac{\phi}{\phi_0} \quad \phi_0 = \frac{h}{e} \end{aligned}$$



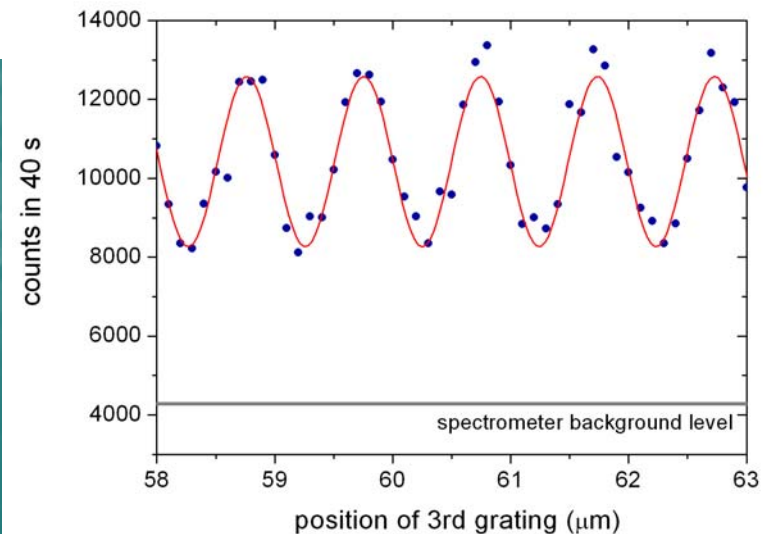
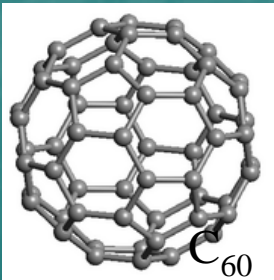
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How Large Can a Particle Be in Order to Interfere?



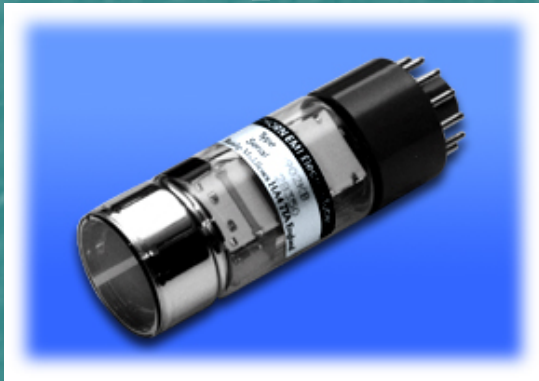
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Same Observation for Light

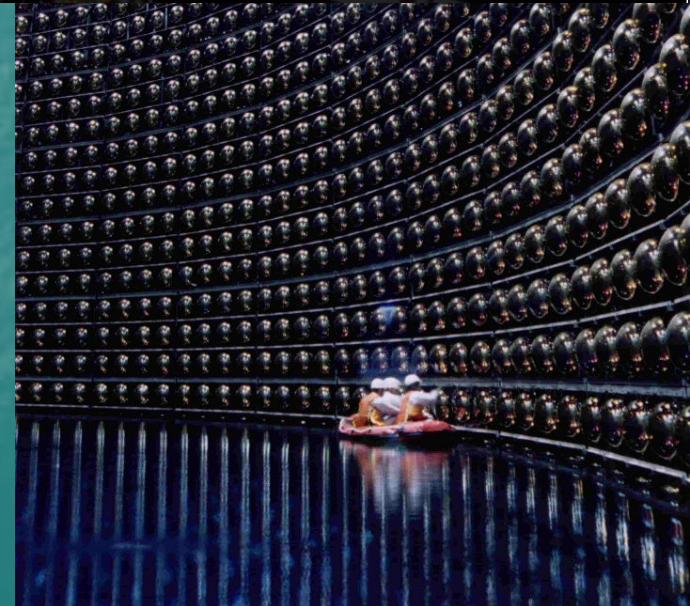
Light is more likely to be regarded as a wave but it has particle properties as well.

⇒ photoelectric effect



Photomultiplier tube catches faint light.

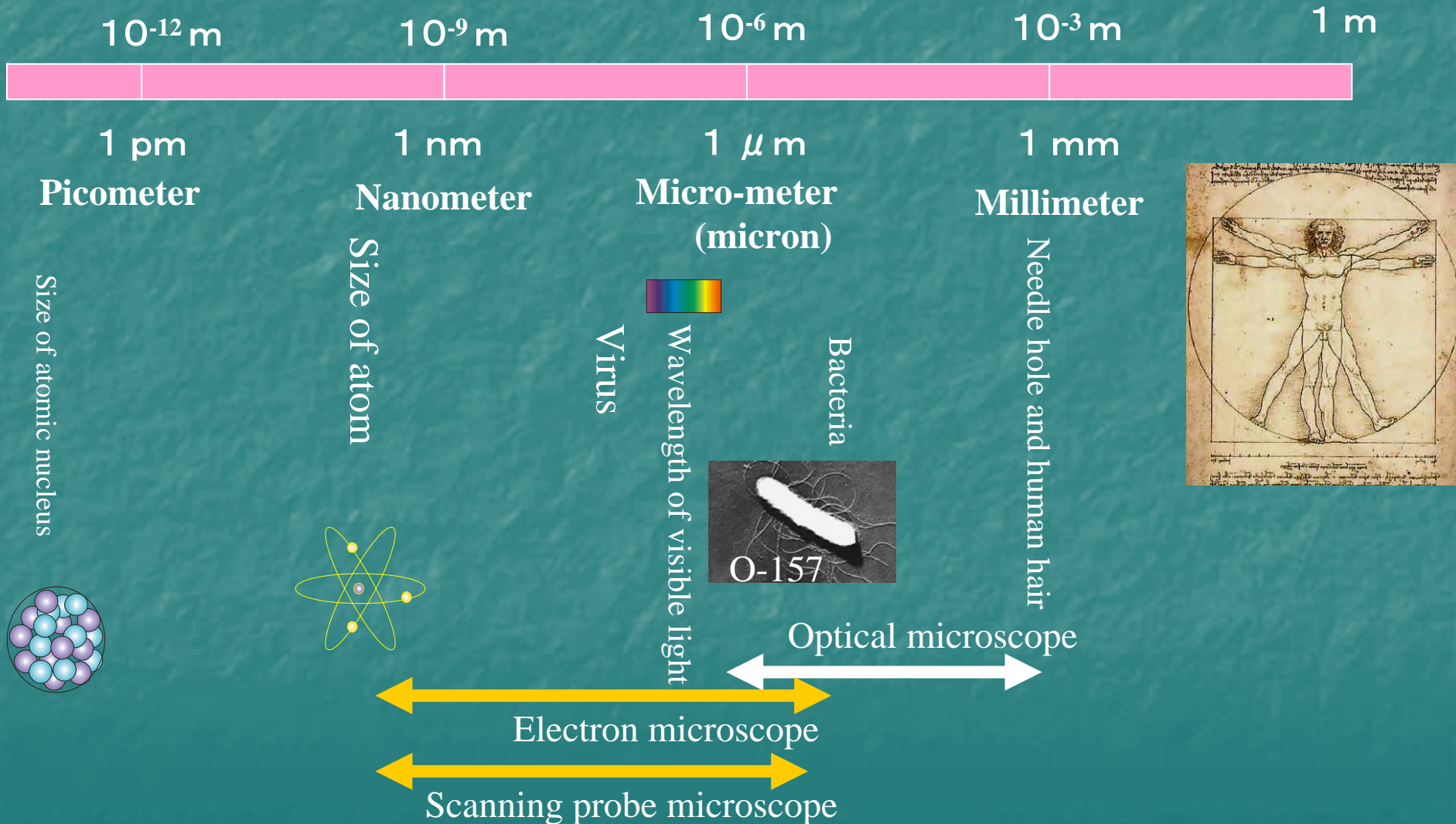
A single photon can be detected.



- Topics we have covered up to now only deal with quantum interference in a vacuum state.
- Do electrons in matter perform quantum interference too?
- Quantum interference properties: coherence.
- Decoherence makes for a loss of coherence in the system.

Artificial Materials and Mesoscopic Systems

The Microscopic Universe



The Mesoscopic System



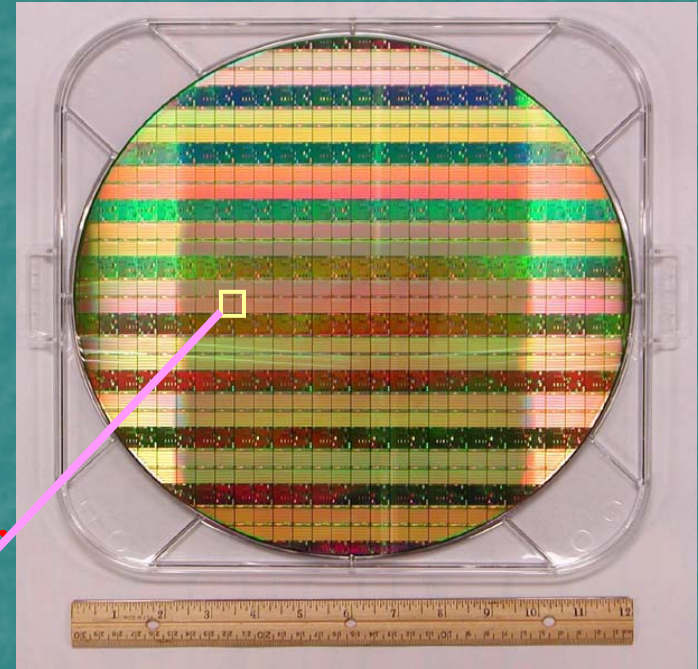
It is an intermediate scale between microscopic and macroscopic systems.

Micro-processing for Semiconductor Devices

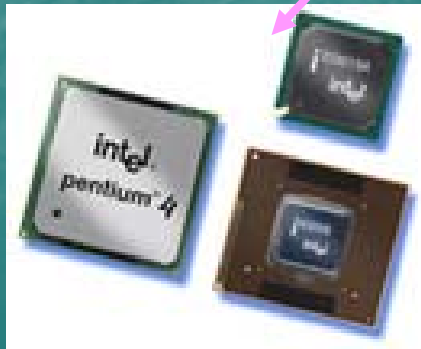
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50 years

Silicon wafer



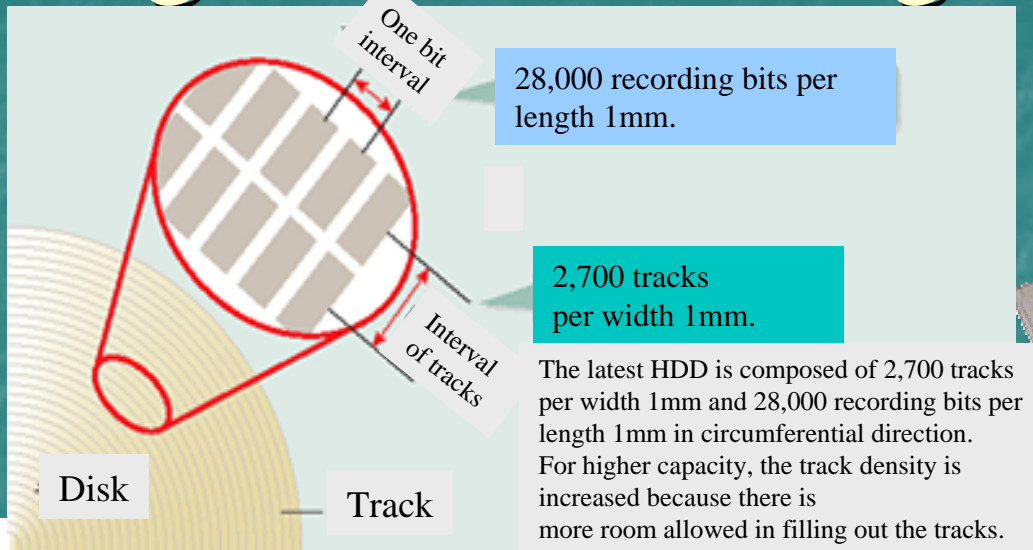
12 inch (30 cm)



The first transistor invented by
Bell Labs in the U.S.A. (1946)

Magnetic Recording Media

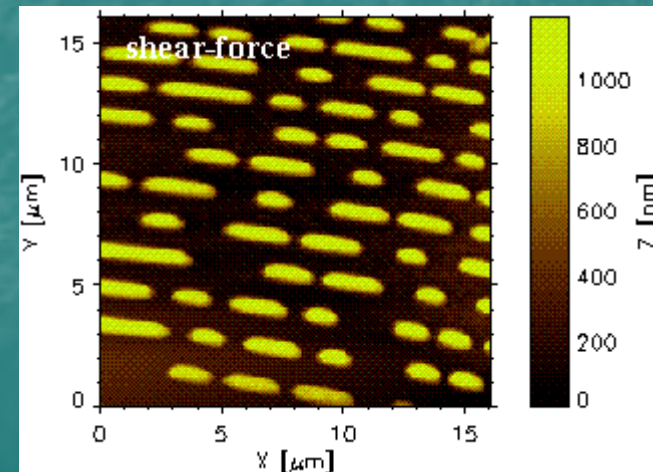
Hard disc



Information recording method that takes advantage of magnetization directions in a small magnetic body. Recording unit (bit) of a high capacity HD is: $0.1\text{mm} \times 1\text{mm}$



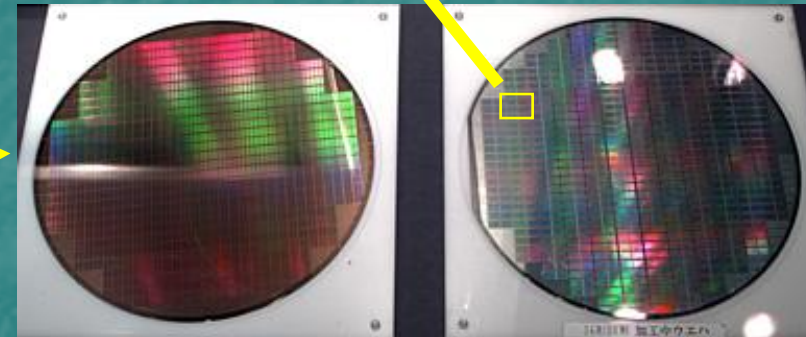
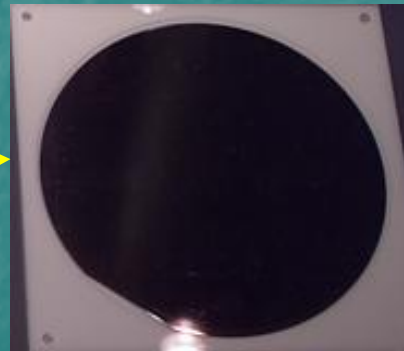
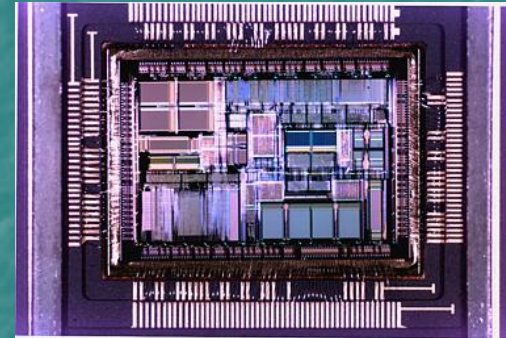
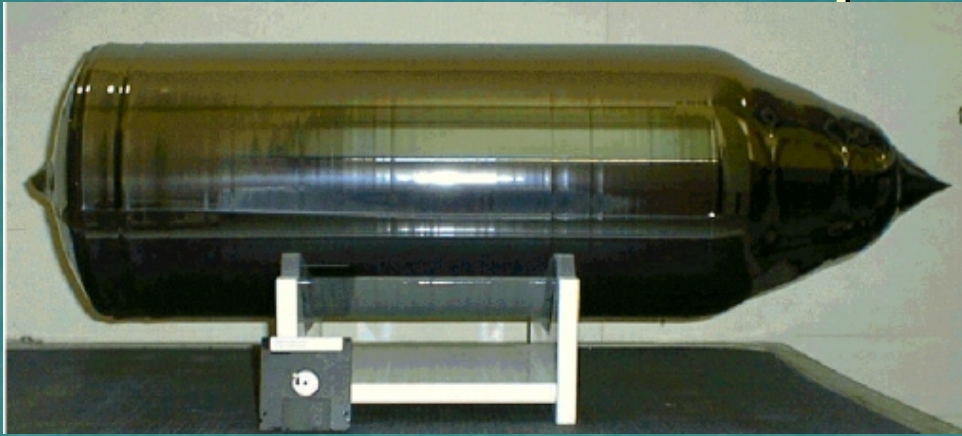
MO disc



Silicon Monocrystal \Rightarrow Wafer \Rightarrow

Super LSI Super LSI

(Large Scale Integration)



Cutting out of the monocrystal.

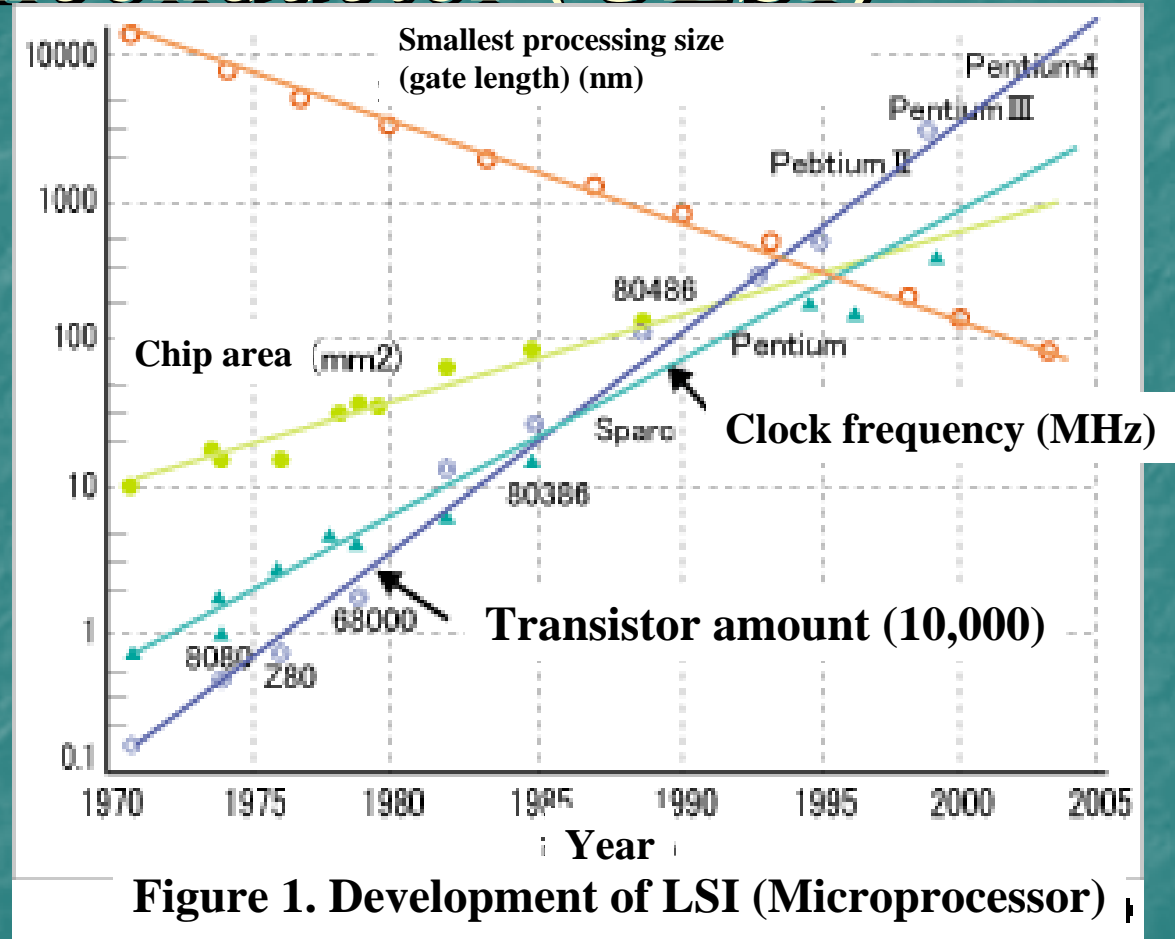
Wafer

Micro-processing

Ultra-large Scale Integration Semiconductor (ULSI)

Moore's law

A prediction of Gordon Moore that the number of transistors (degree of integration) on a semiconductor chip doubles every one and half to two years.



It is clear that there is a limit to the micro-processing technique because semiconductor devices have already reached submicron scale (less than $1 \mu\text{m}$).

The Mesoscopic System

Size of the system L

and

The lengths that are characteristic of physical phenomena

de Broglie wavelength

λ

Free mean path

ℓ

Phase relaxation length

L_ϕ

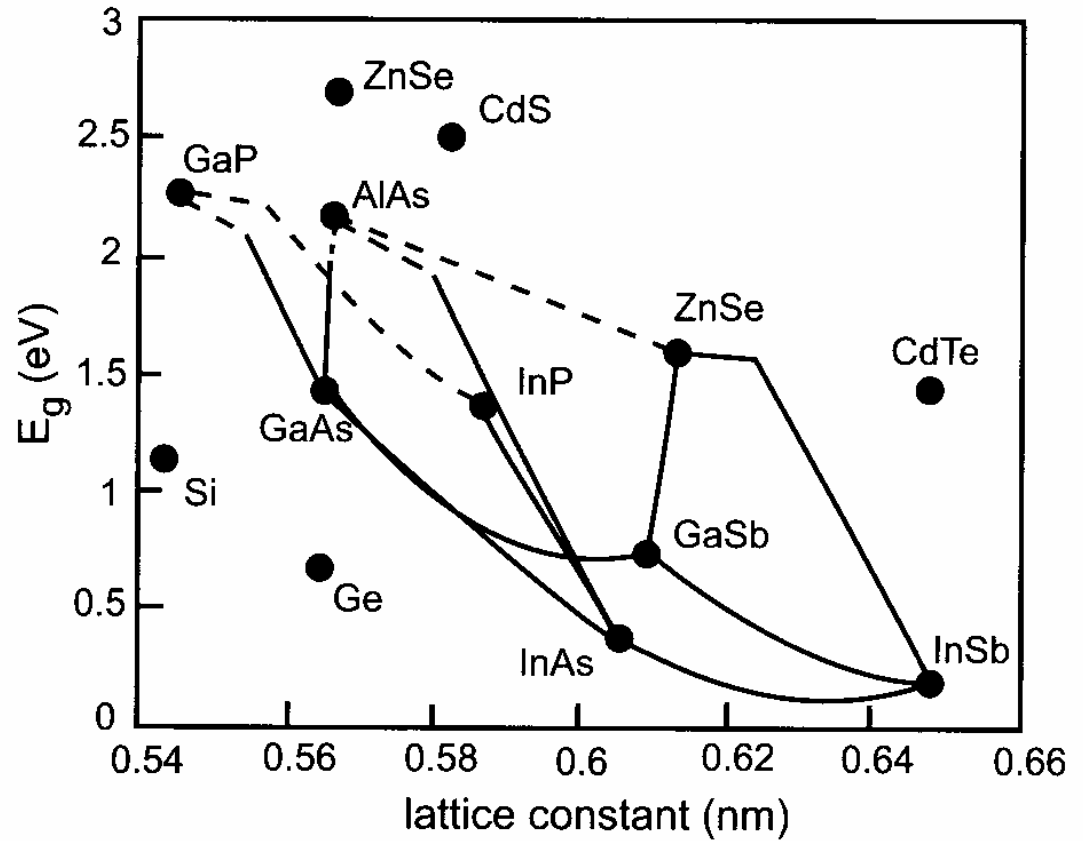
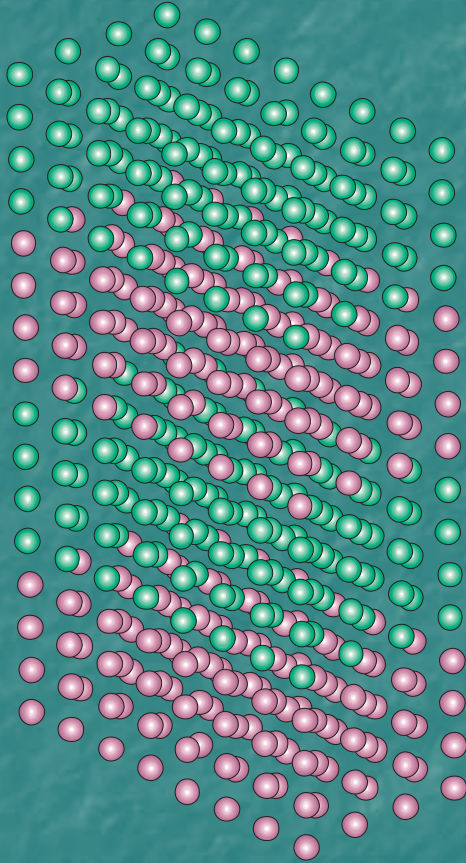
Region of submicron-scale

The behaviors are different from those of a microscopic system;
strong effects of quantum mechanics can be observed.

Conditions Necessary for Mesoscopic Physics and Nanoscience

- Artificial materials
- Micro-processing
- Extreme environments (extreme low temperatures and strong magnetic fields)
- High-sensitivity, high-resolution, and high-accuracy measurements

Artificial Superlattice

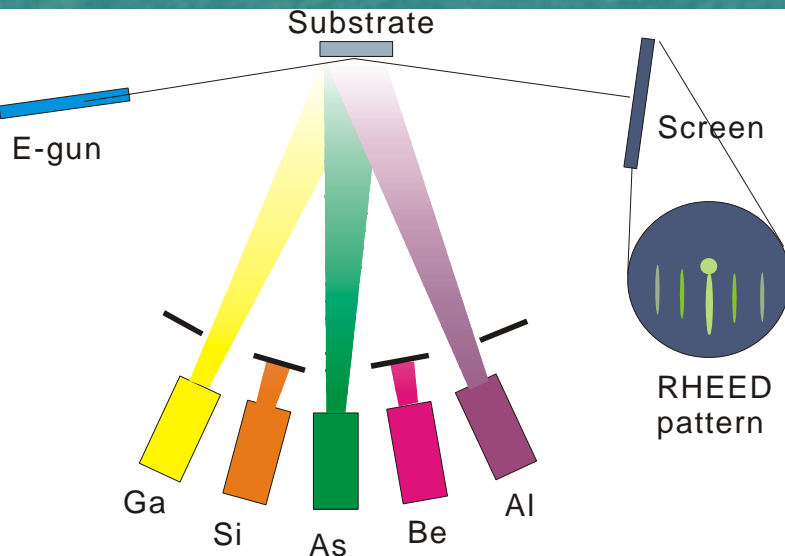


Dr. Leona Esaki (1972) ✦

Semiconductor Artificial Superlattice Production

Molecular beam epitaxy

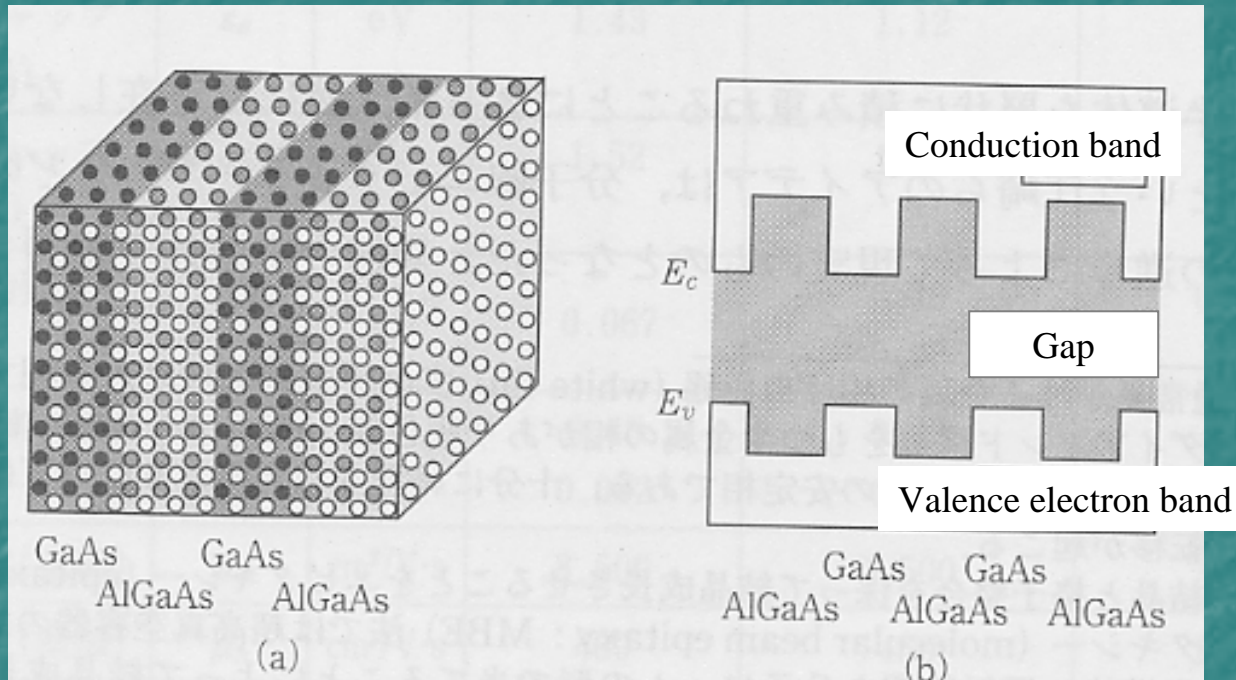
Accumulate each layer of atoms inside ultra-high-vacuum in a clean environment.



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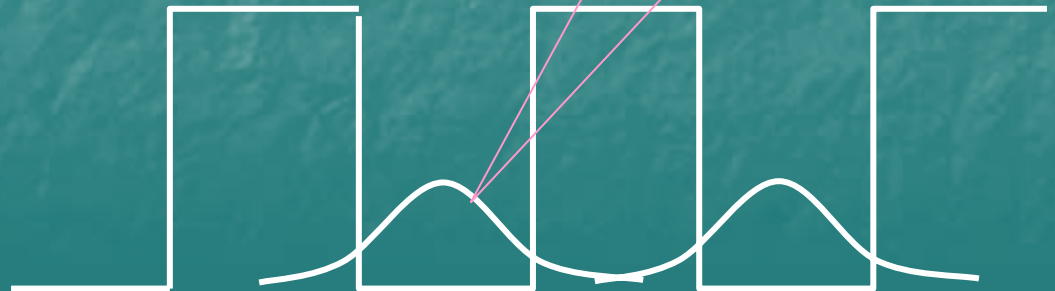
The artificial superlattice can be obtained by accumulating different types of atomic layers.

Potential of Artificial Superlattices

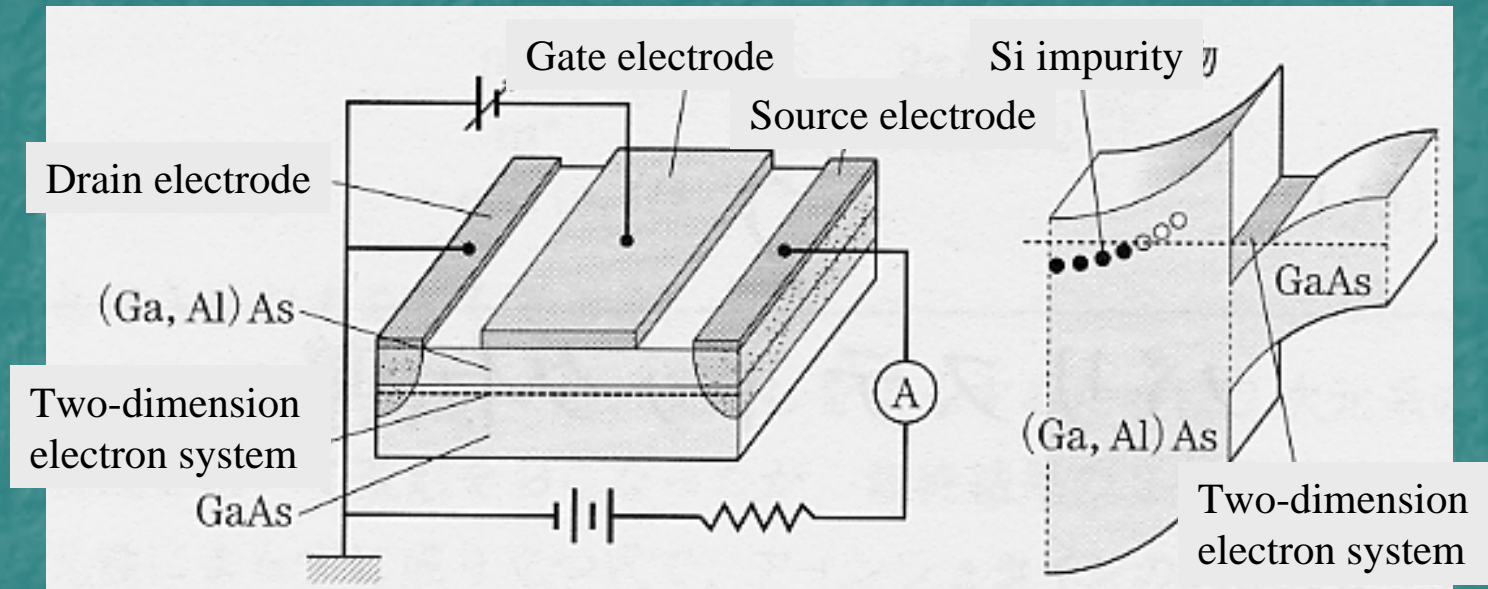


GaAs/AlGaAs

Electrons
get caught
here.



Two-dimension Electron System at Semiconductor Interface



The electron is confined by potential in the direction perpendicular to the interface while it is freely traveling in the direction parallel to the interface.

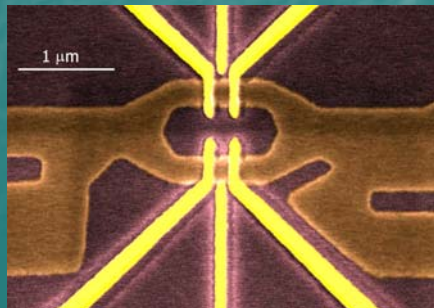
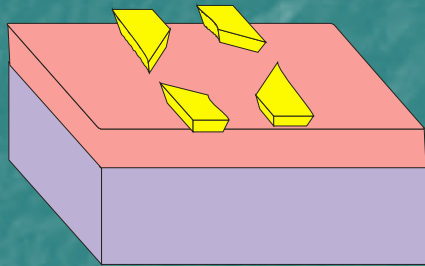
The electron density can be changed by applying electric voltage to the gate electrode.

The potential for the electron is artificially induced by using an appropriate form of gate electrode.

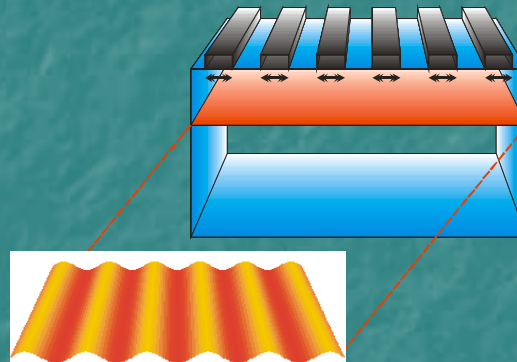
Examples of Mesoscopic Samples

Variety of artificial structures are produced by micro-processing of two-dimensional electron system samples.

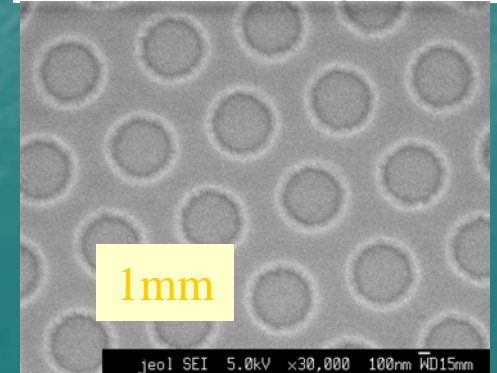
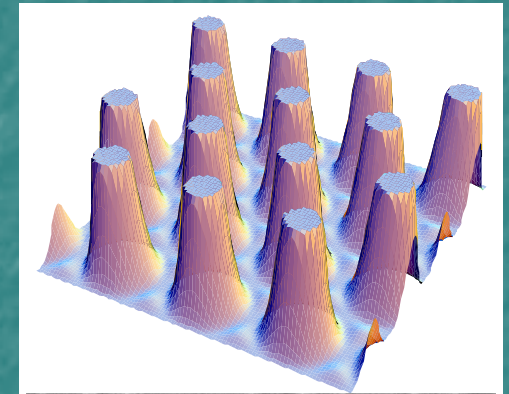
Quantum point contact
Quantum dot



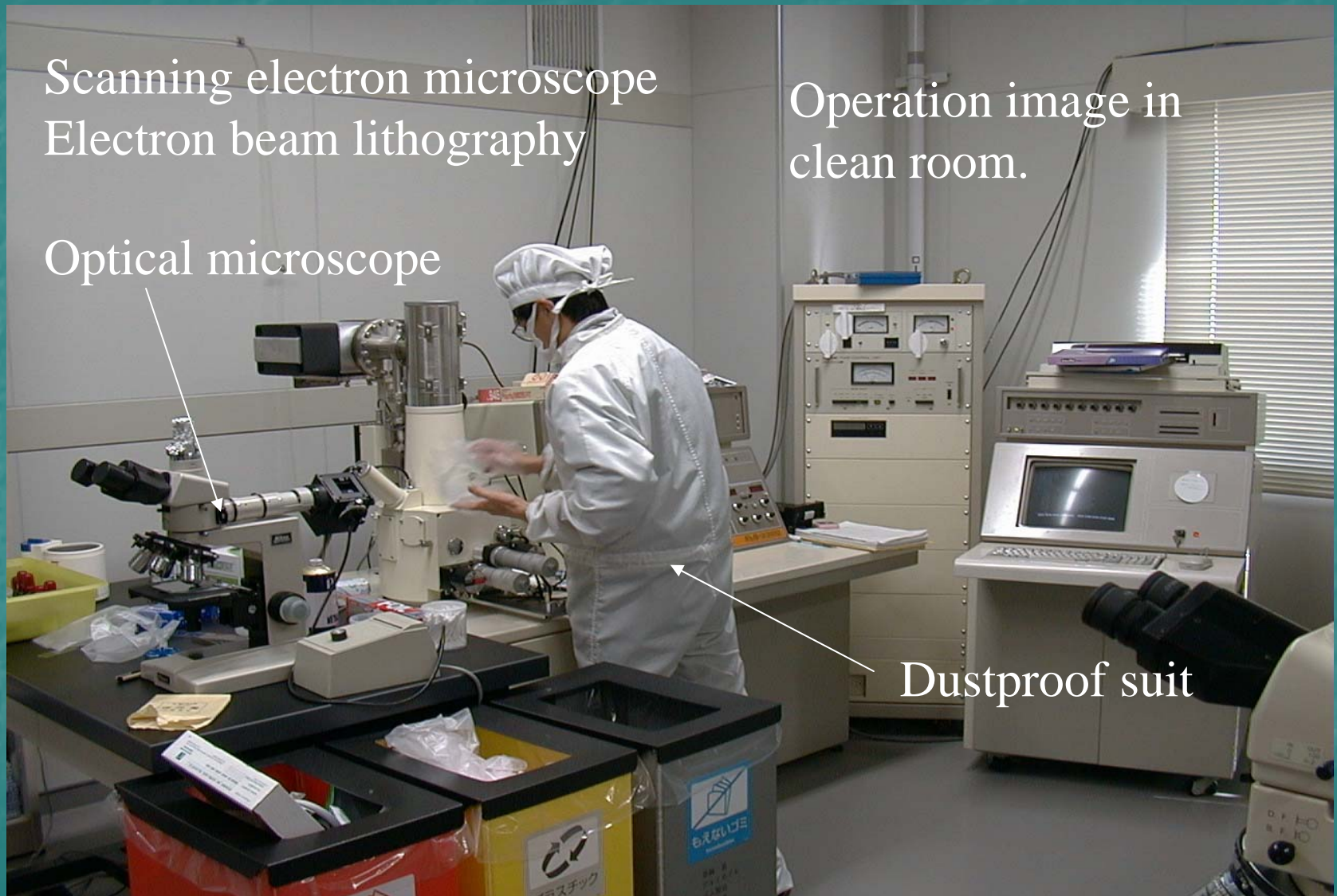
Single-dimension modulation
(washboard potential)



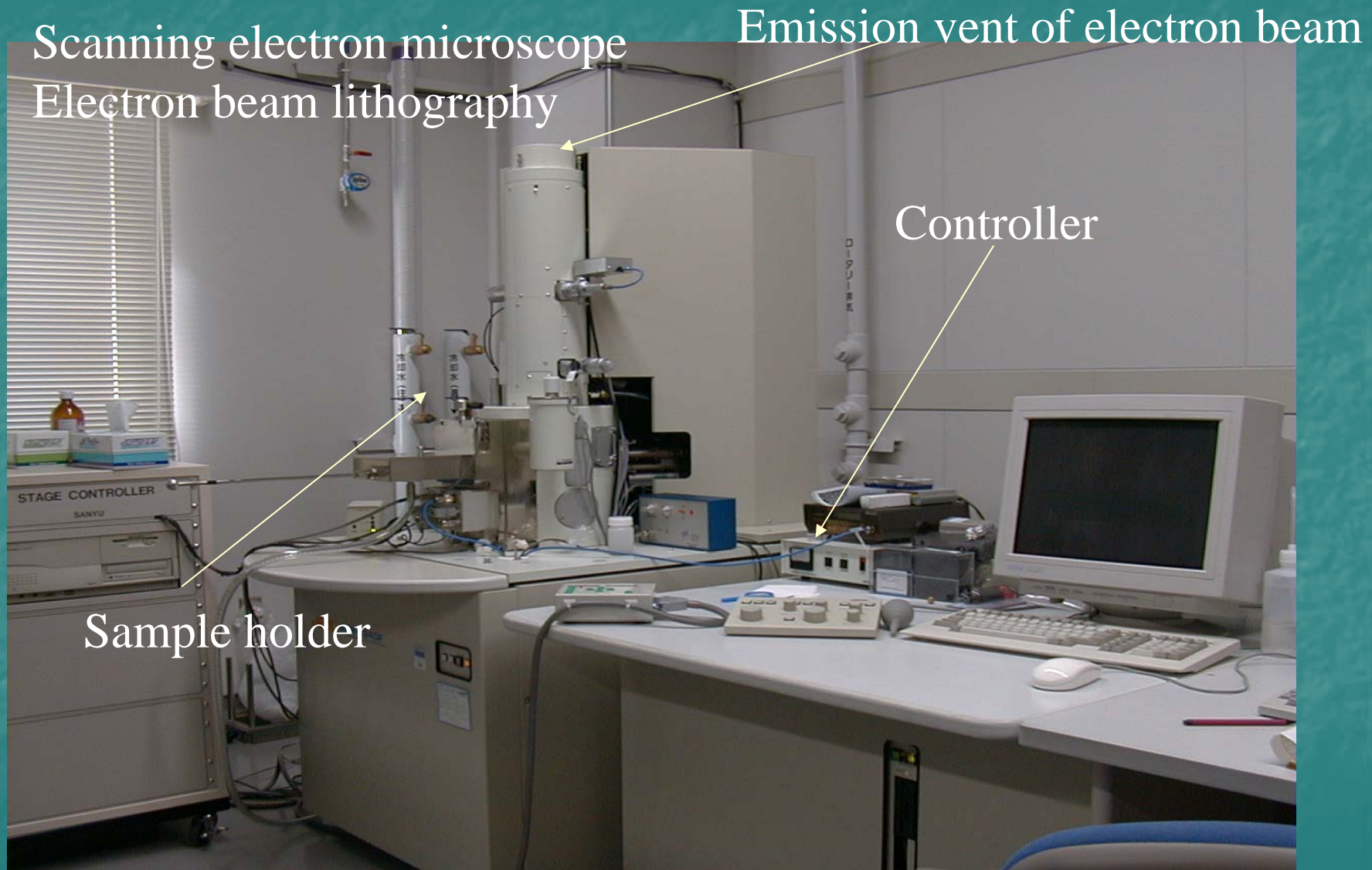
Two-dimension modulation
(antidot lattice)



Clean Room Operation

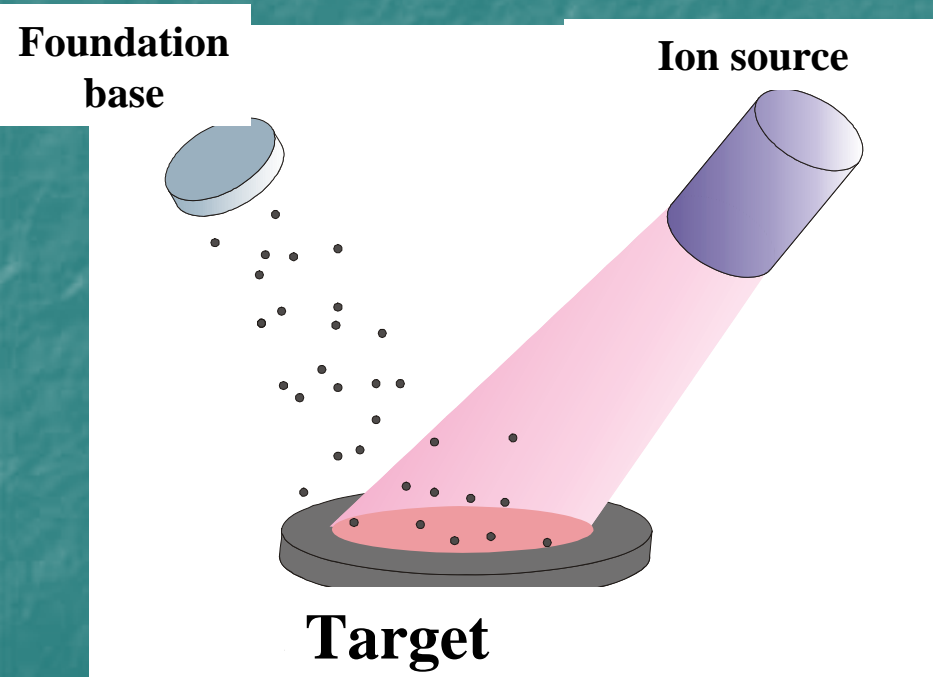


Electron Beam Lithography System



Metal Vapor Deposition

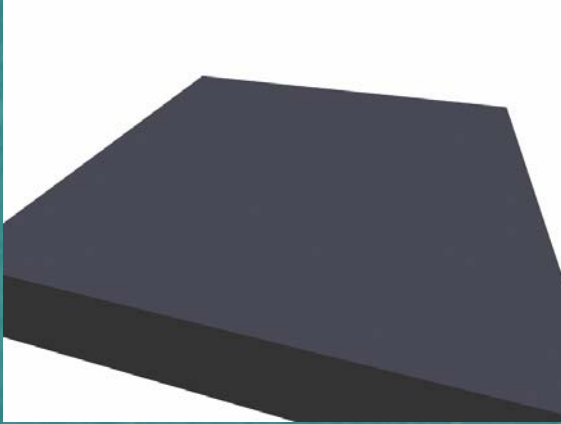
Ion beam sputtering system



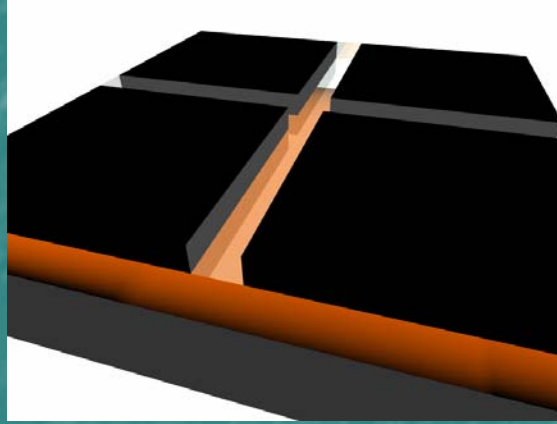
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Formation of Micro-patterns

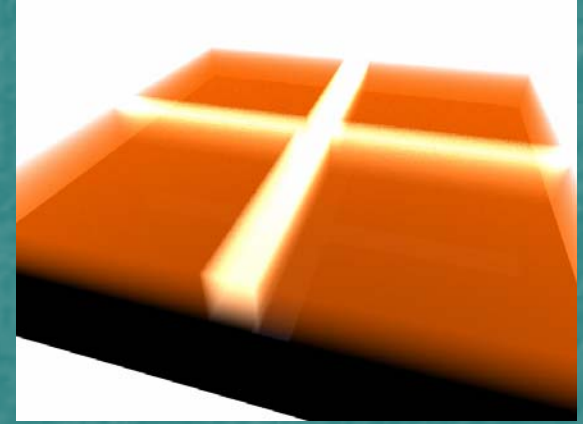
① Cleansing the foundation.



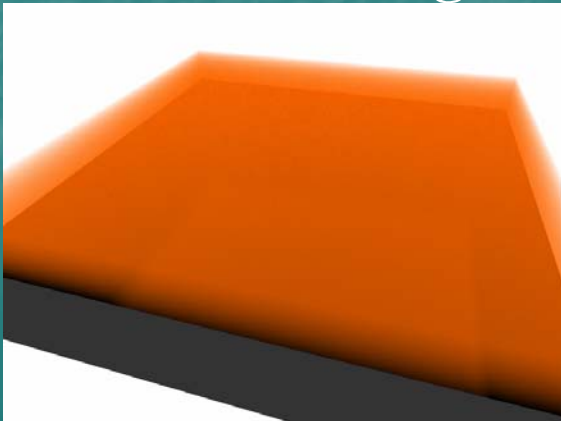
③ Mask alignment



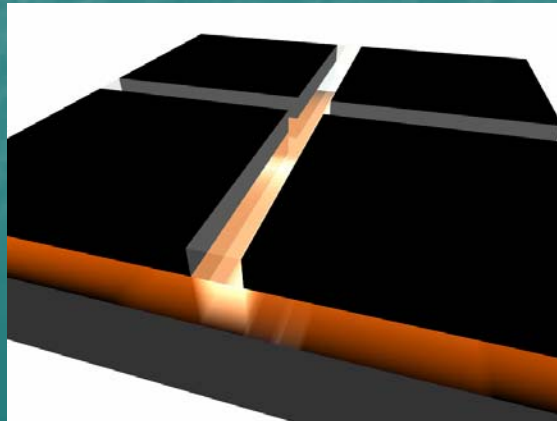
⑤ After exposure



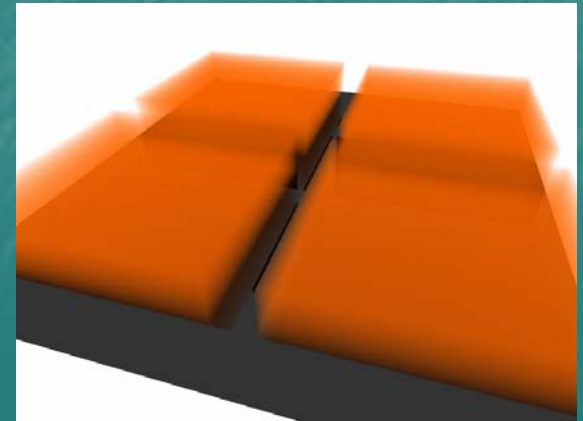
② Resist coating



④ Exposure

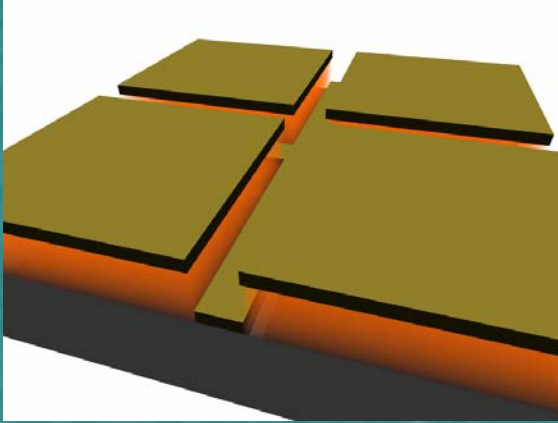


⑥ Development

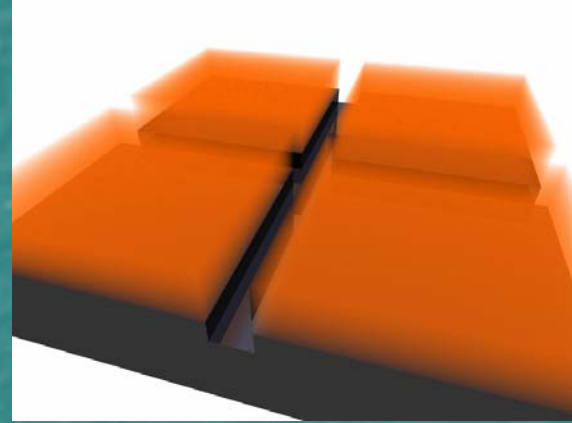


Vapor Deposition and Lift-off

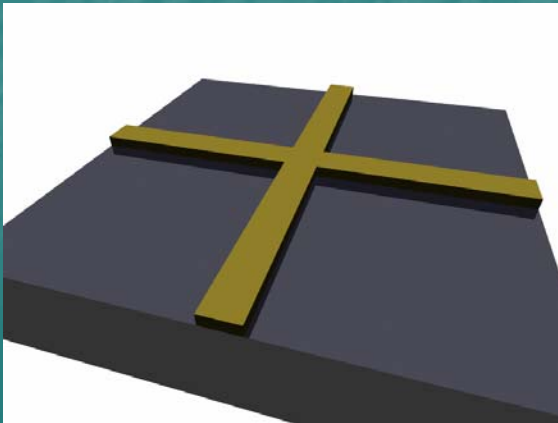
Vapor deposition



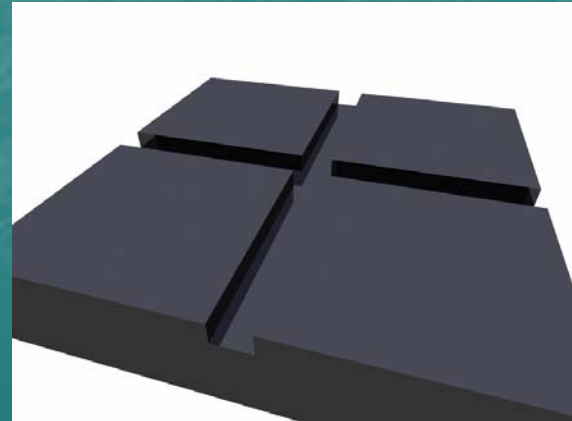
Etching



Lift-off



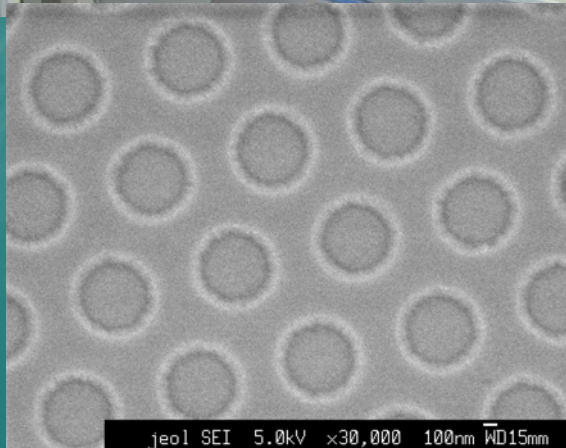
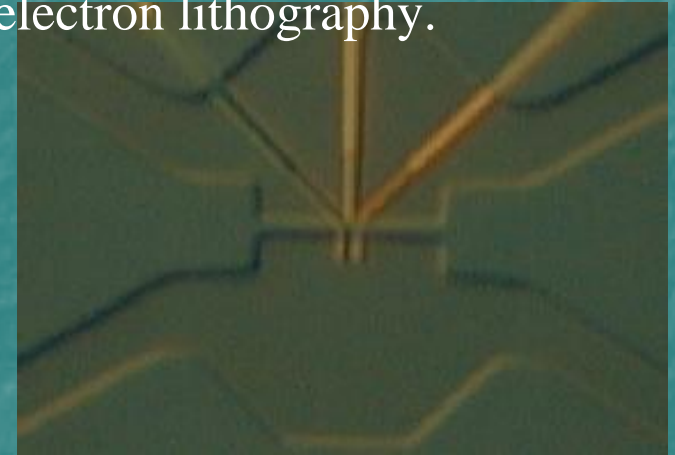
Resist removal



Production of Quantum Structures by Ultra-micro-processing

Electron lithography system

The quantum dot was produced by micro-processing of the electron lithography.



Iye Laboratory, ISSP, University of Tokyo.

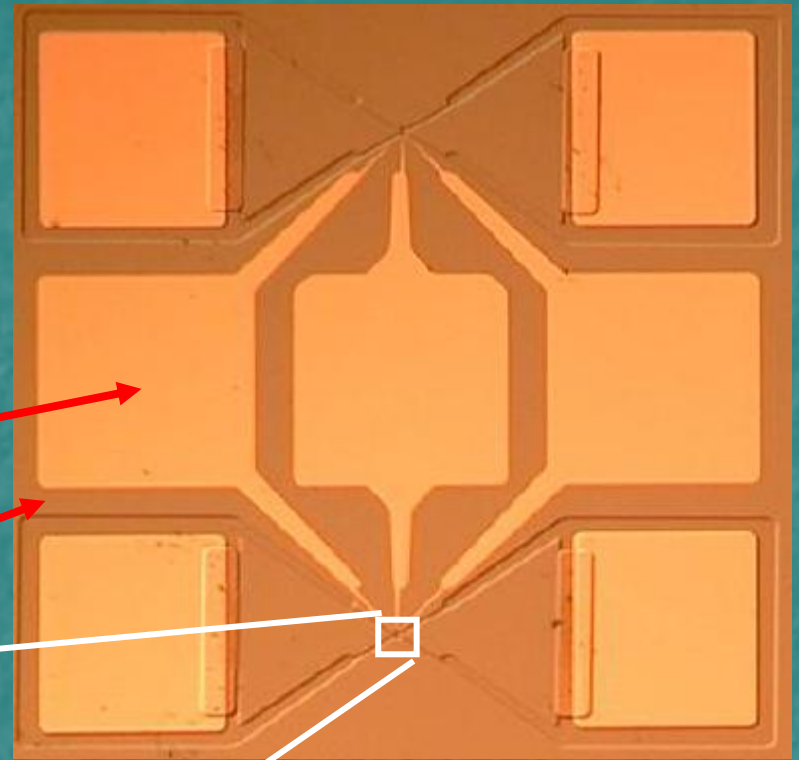
The antidot lattice of two-dimension electron system in a semiconductor: Artificial superperiodic structure.



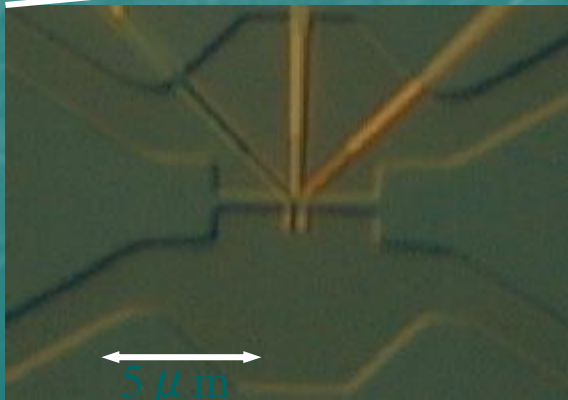
Micro-structure Sample

The example for the micro-structure sample observed by an optical microscope. A single quantum dot is formed both above and below in the structure.

Gold deposited electrode
Etching-treated part

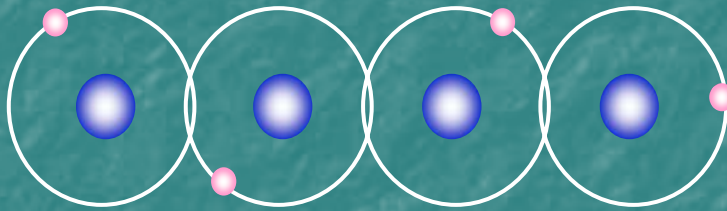


1.2 mm

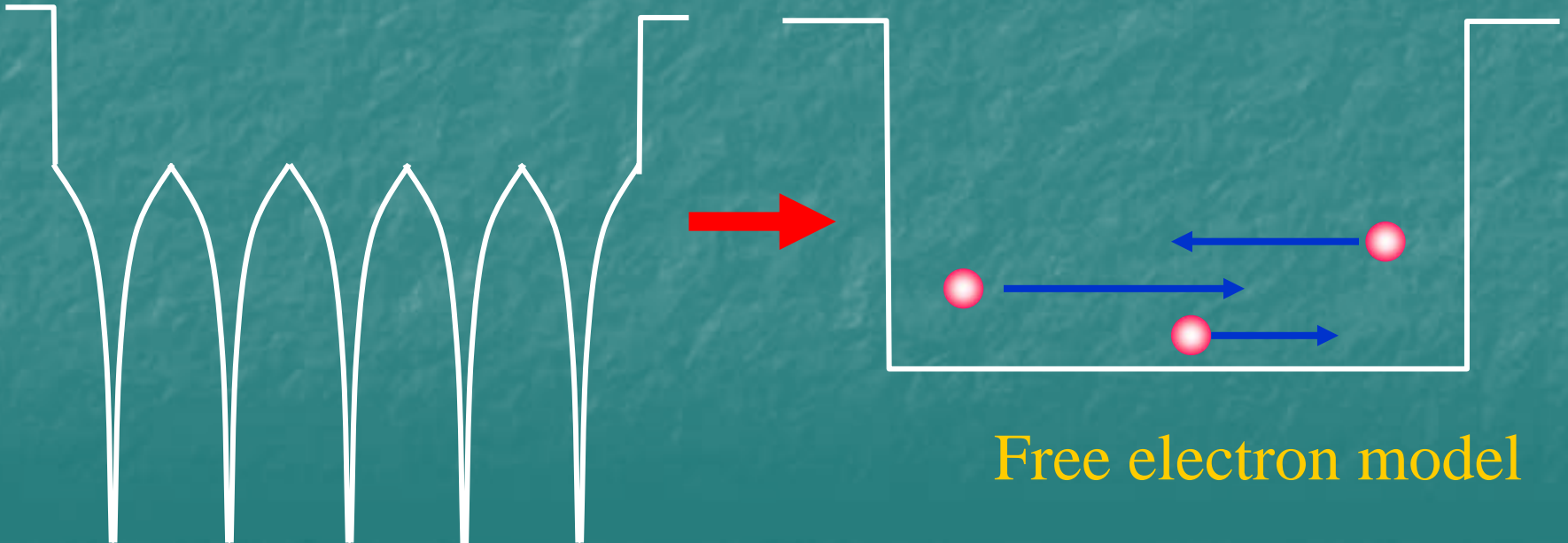


Quantum Conduction

Conduction Electrons in Metals

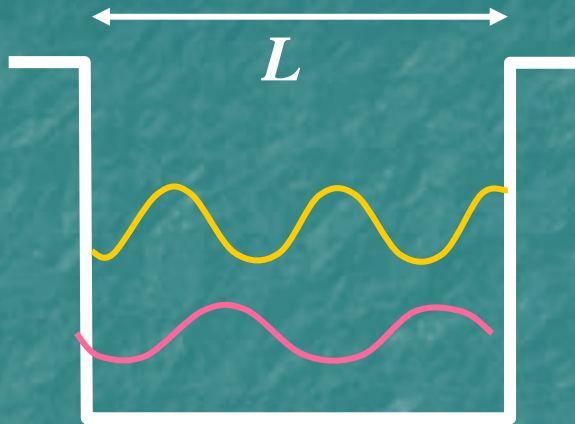


In metals, there is an electron (conduction electron) that can move around in the entire crystal.



Free electron model

Quantum Mechanics: Particles in a Box



$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L^3}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\hbar^2 \mathbf{k}^2}{2m}$$

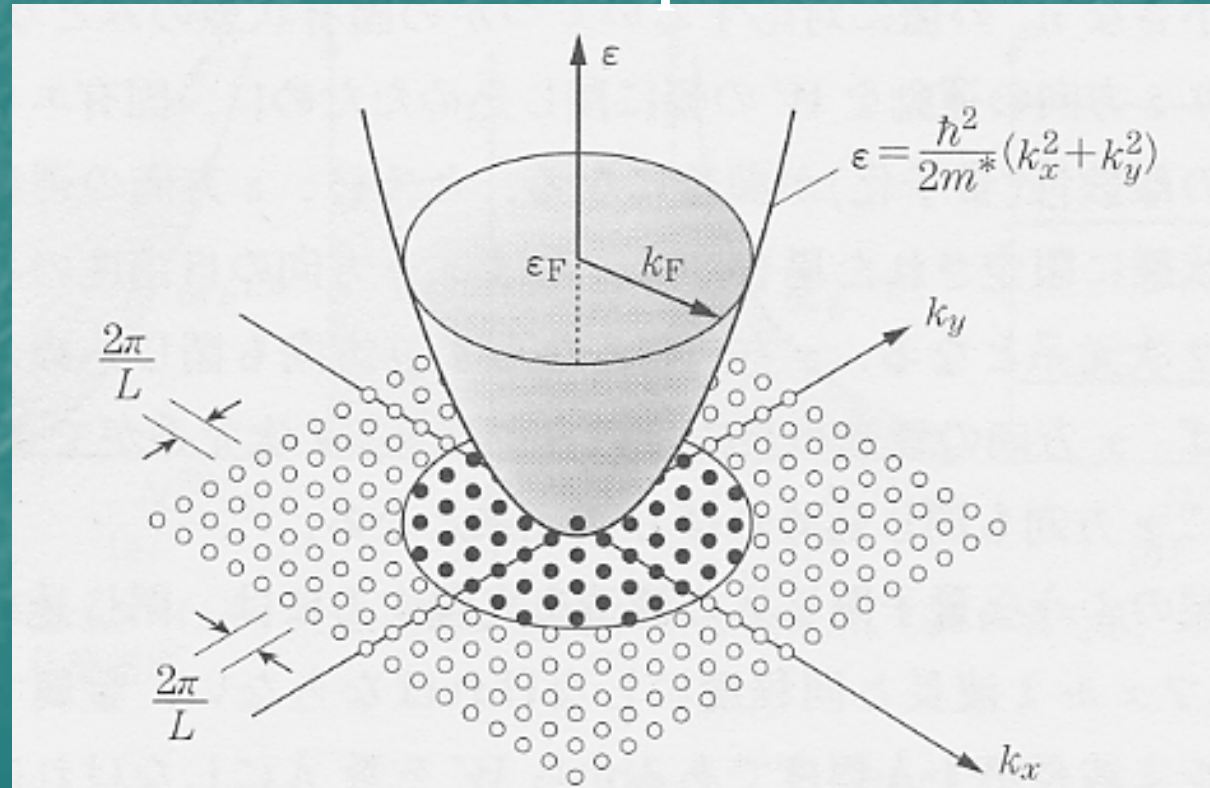
Permissive state of wave number space.

$$k_x = \frac{2\pi}{L} n_x \quad (n_x = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots)$$

The permitted wave number of an electron.

Electron is filled from lower energy level

⇒ **Fermi level**
Fermi surface ε_F
and sphere



Electric Conduction

Electric
current

$$\mathbf{J} = ne\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle$$

Semi-classical equation of motion

$$\mathbf{J} = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m} \mathbf{E}$$

$$= \sigma \mathbf{E}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}$$

Drude formula

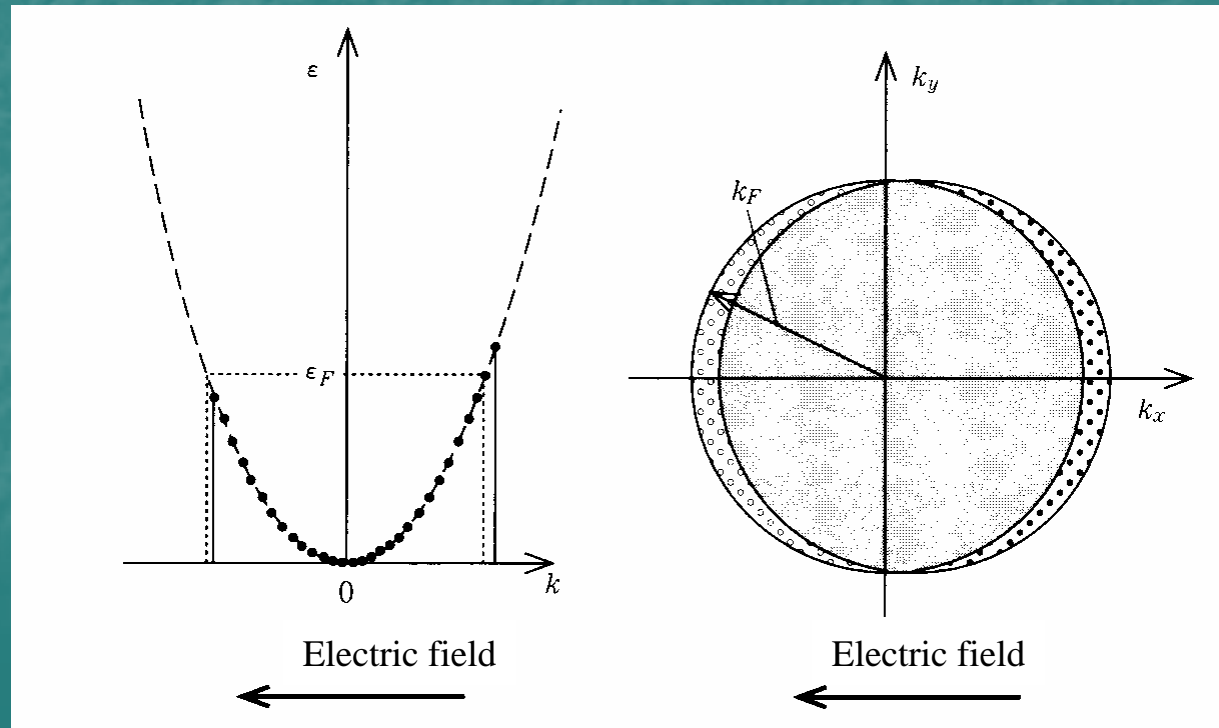
$$m \frac{d\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle}{dt} = e\mathbf{E} - m \frac{\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle}{\tau}$$

Acceleration due to
electric field.

“Friction” term due
to scattering.

$$\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle = \frac{e\tau}{m} \mathbf{E} = \mu \mathbf{E}$$

Electron mobility



Velocity of Electrons

Make a current of one ampere
into lead wire with cross
section area 1 mm²

$$\mathbf{J} = ne\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle = 10^6 \text{ A/m}^2$$

Conduction electron
density of metal:

$$n = 10^{29} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v \rangle &= \frac{J}{ne} \\ &= \frac{10^6 \text{ A m}^{-2}}{10^{29} \text{ m}^{-3} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}} \\ &\approx 6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m/s} \\ &= 0.06 \text{ mm/s} \end{aligned}$$

Speed of snails??

This is the average speed.

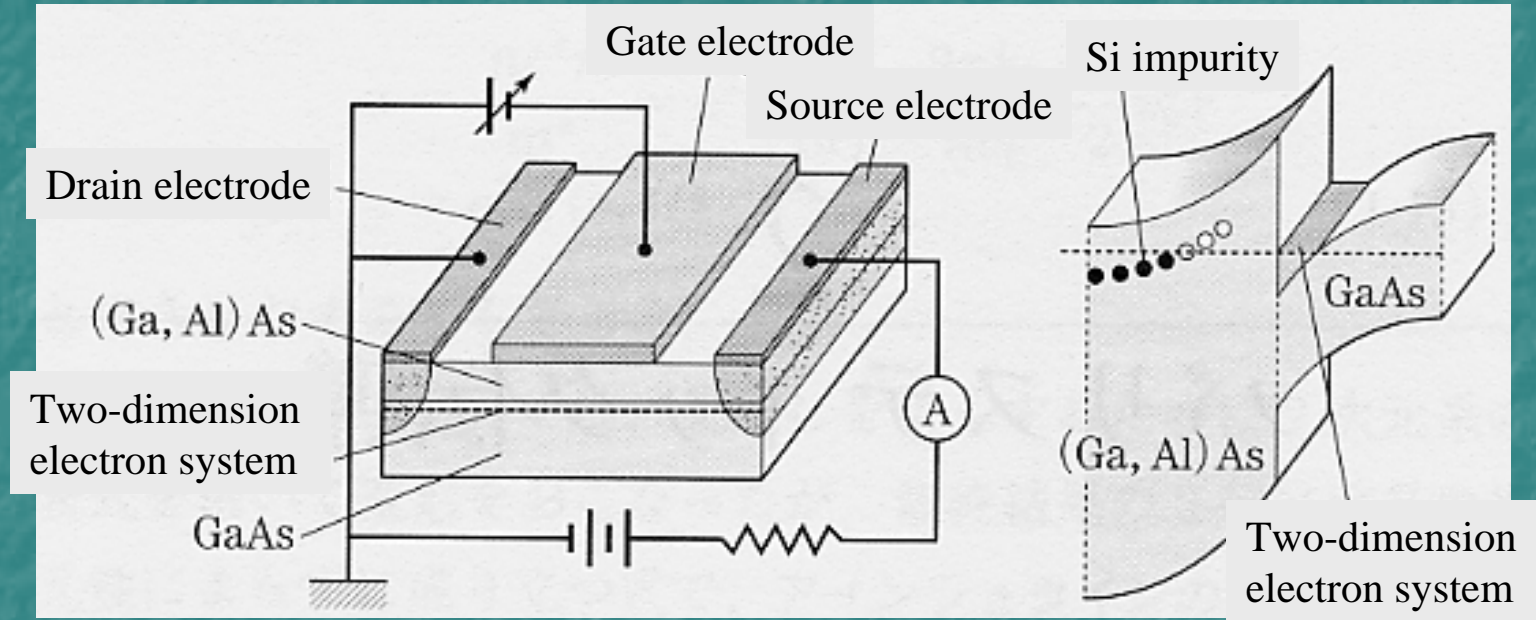
$$\varepsilon = \frac{\hbar^2 \mathbf{k}^2}{2m}, \quad \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial \mathbf{k}}$$

The velocity of an electron
at the Fermi level $v_F \approx 10^6 \text{ m/s}$
For ordinary metals:
(one hundredth the speed
of light)

If there is no electric field, electrons
travel in both directions positive and
negative to cancel each other out, and as
a result, the net electric current is zero.

Even a subtle loss of balance can create
very large electric current.

Two-dimension Electron System at Semiconductor Interface



Electron density $n = 10^{13} \sim 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-2}$

HEMT (High Electron Mobility Transistor)

High Mobility

Electron mobility

$$\mu > 1000 \text{ m}^2/\text{Vs}$$

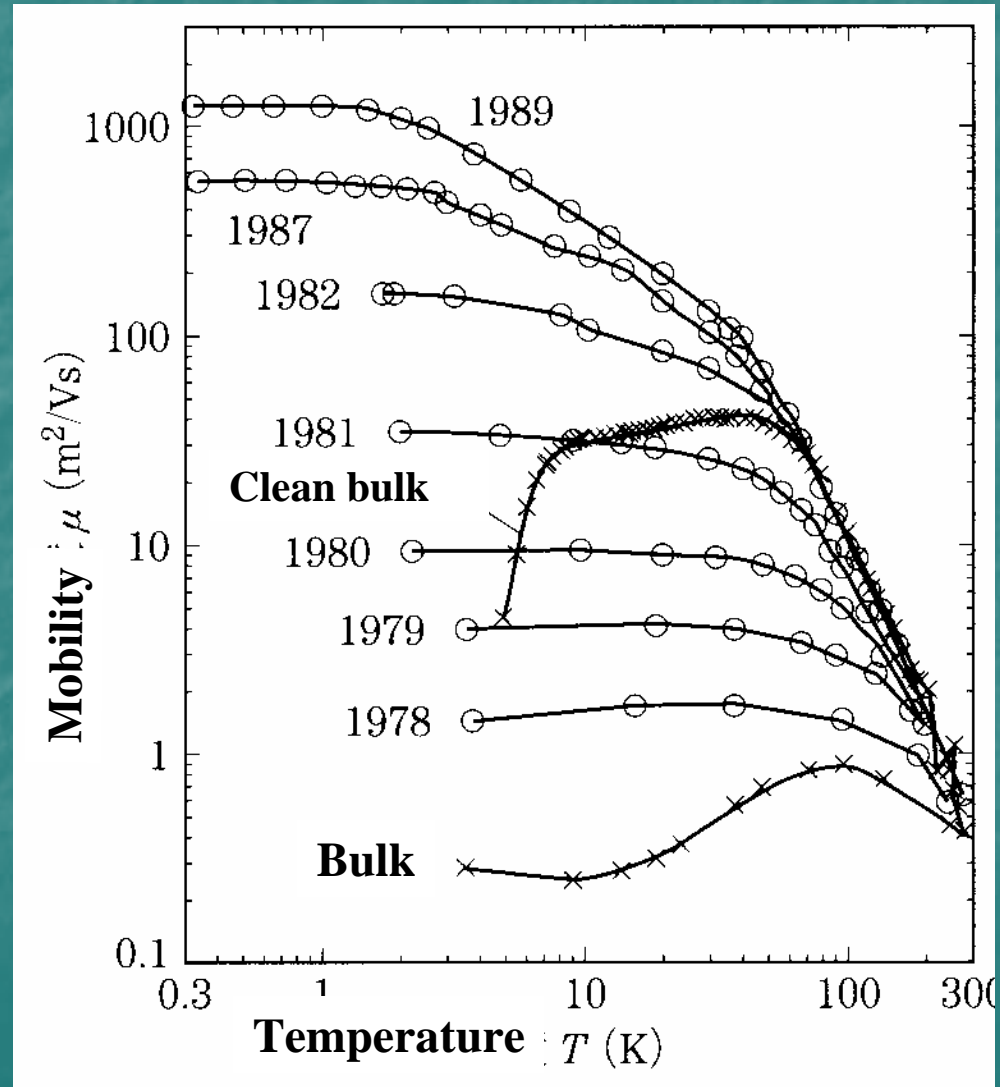
Mean free path

$$\ell > 100 \mu\text{m}$$

Micro-processing lets us to make samples that are smaller than those shown in the figure.

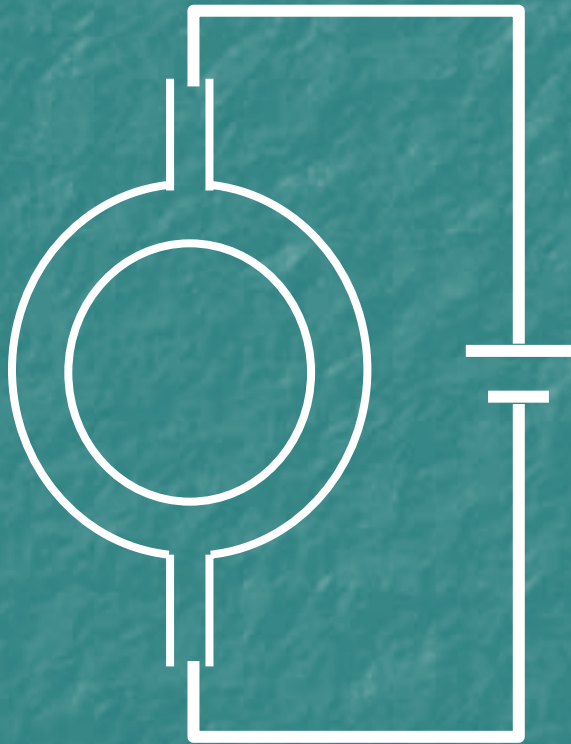
Ballistic conductivity

$$\ell > L \quad (L: \text{sample size})$$



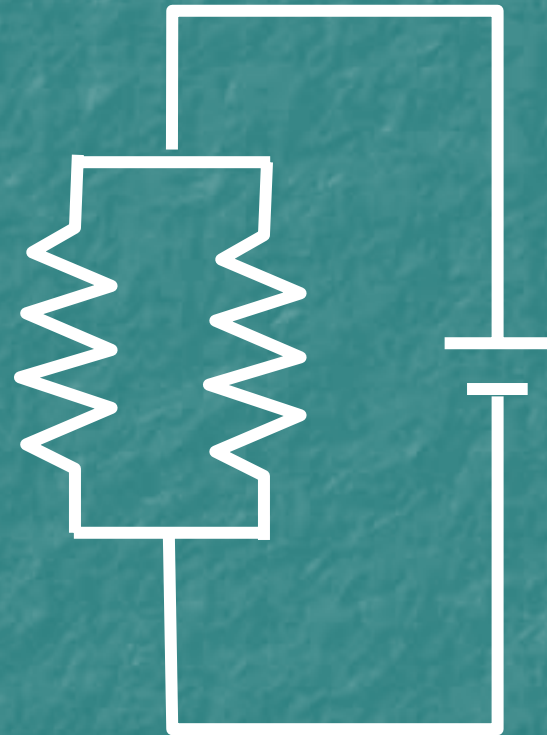
Mesoscopic Circuit

Mesoscopic ring



$$G \neq G_R + G_L$$

Classical parallel circuit



$$G = G_R + G_L$$



Quantum Resistance

The quantity of the dimension where the electric resistance belongs is made of physical constants.

e Electric charge e = electric current \times time

$\frac{h}{e}$ Magnetic flux Φ = voltage \times time

$\frac{h}{e^2}$ Magnetic flux/electric charge
= voltage/electric current = electric resistance

$$\frac{h}{e^2} = 25.813 \text{ k}\Omega$$

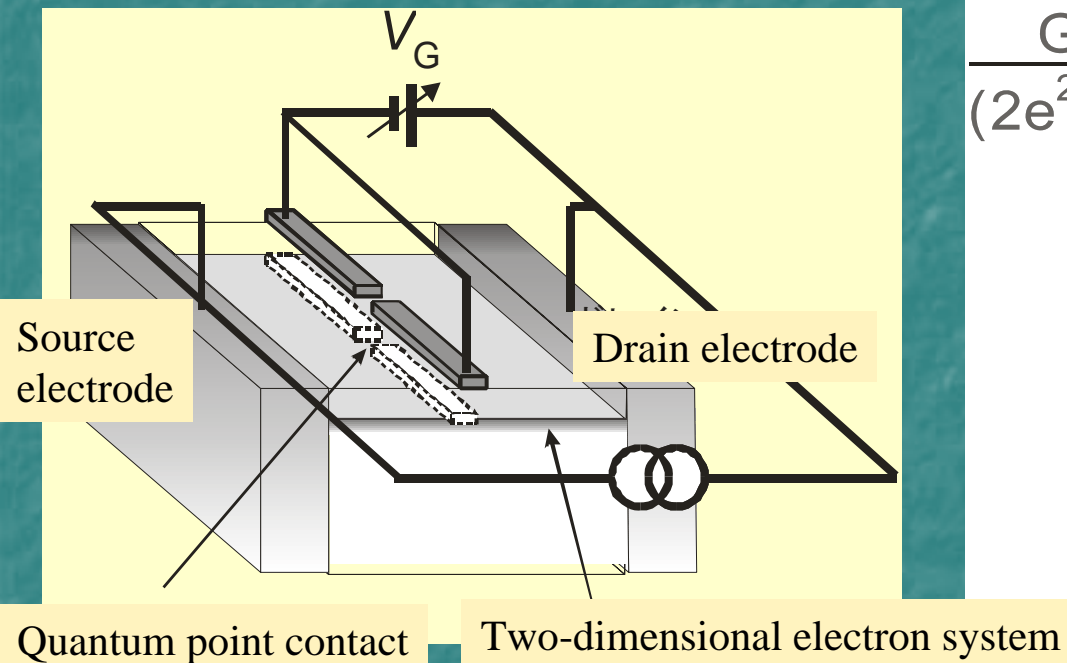
Quantum resistance

$$\frac{e^2}{h} = \frac{1}{25,813 \text{ k}\Omega} = 38.7 \mu\text{S}$$

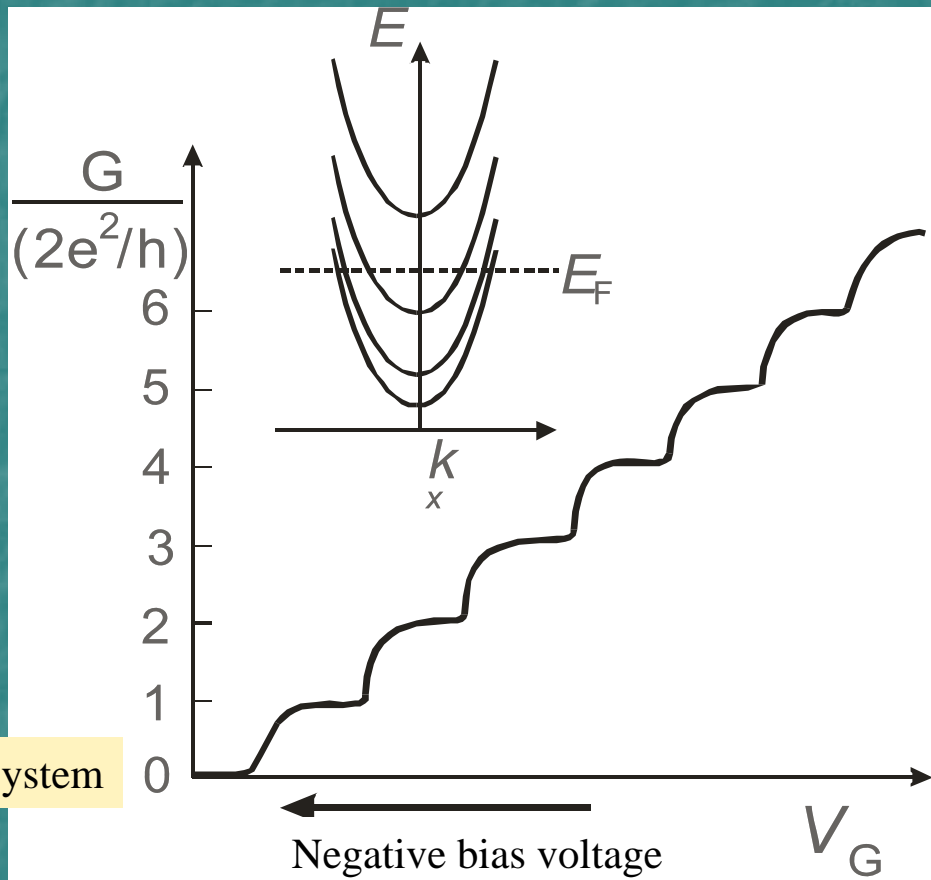
Quantum conductance

Conductance Quantization

Quantum point contact



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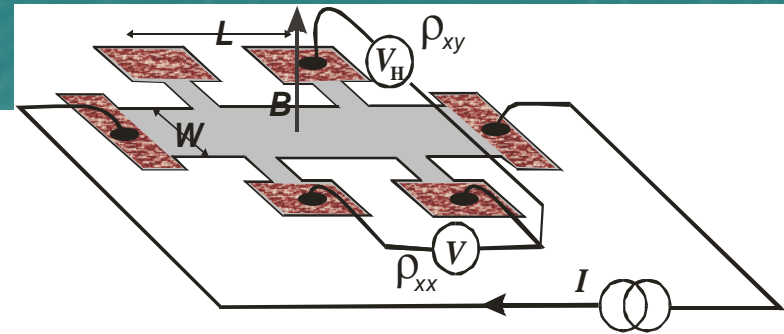
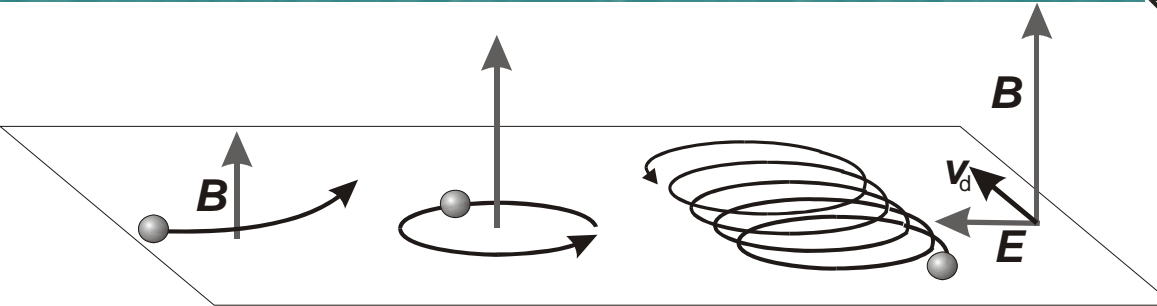


$$\frac{e^2}{h} = \frac{1}{25.813 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

$$G = \frac{1}{R} = N \frac{2e^2}{h}$$

Hall Effect

Behavior of electrons in an electrostatic magnetic field.



$$\hbar \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{dt} = e(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}} \times \mathbf{B}) \quad \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial \mathbf{k}}$$

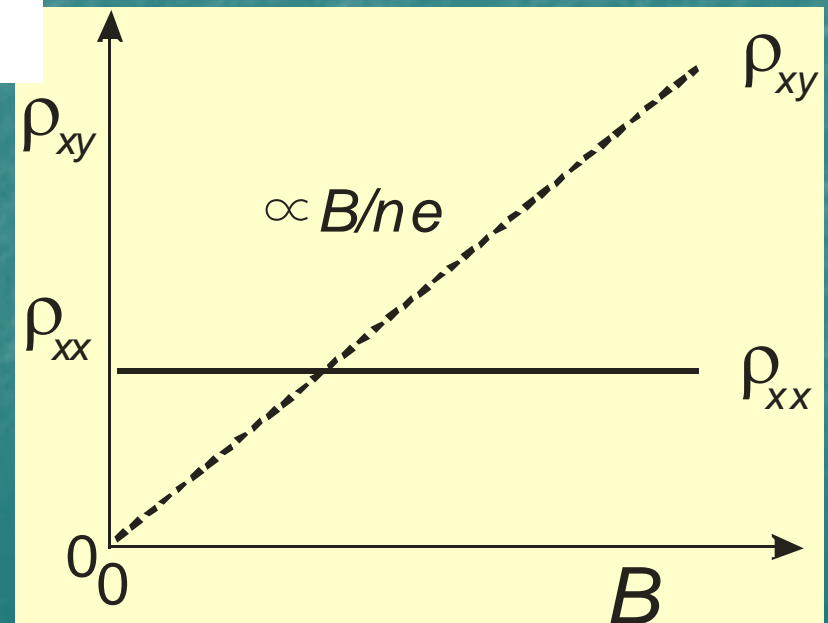
Lorentz force

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} J_x \\ J_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{yx} & \sigma_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \rho \mathbf{J} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho_{xx} & \rho_{xy} \\ \rho_{yx} & \rho_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_x \\ J_y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho_{xy}(B) = \frac{B}{ne}$$

$$\rho_{xx}(B) = \rho$$



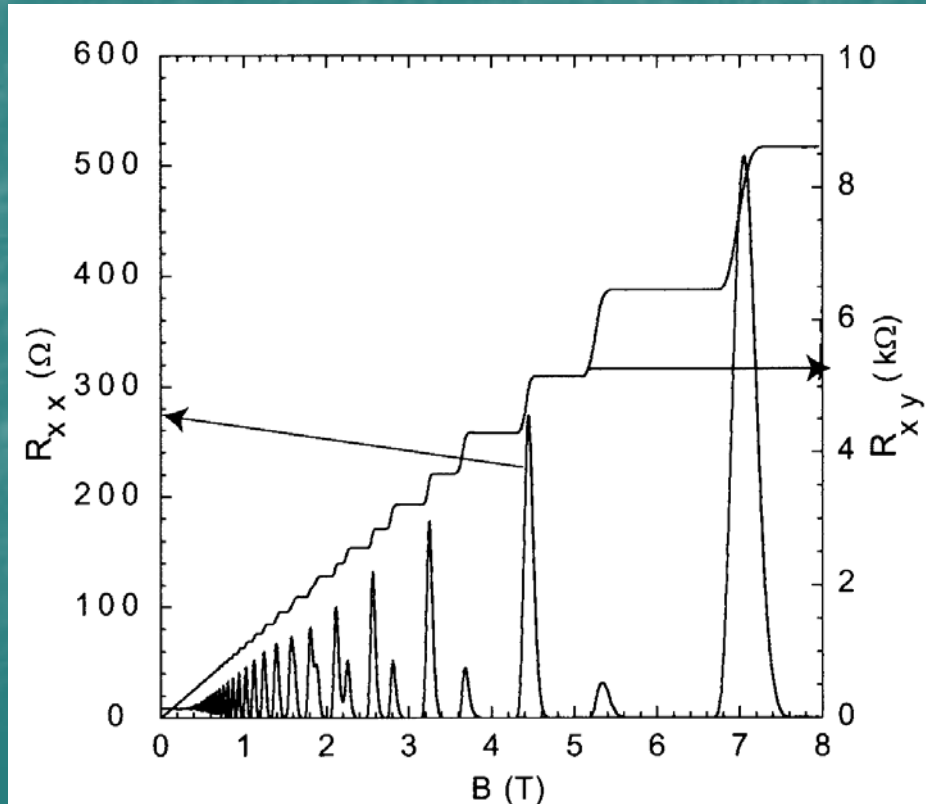
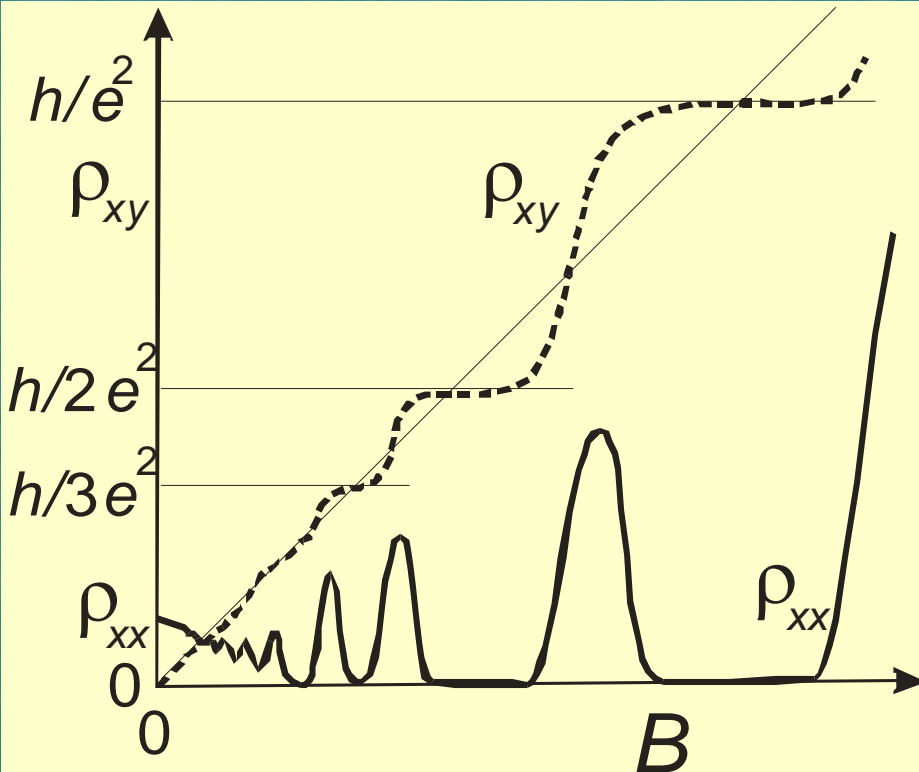
Quantum Hall Effect

$$\rho_{xx} = 0$$

$$\rho_{xy} = \frac{1}{N} \frac{h}{e^2}$$

$$\frac{h}{e^2} = 25.813 \text{ k}\Omega$$

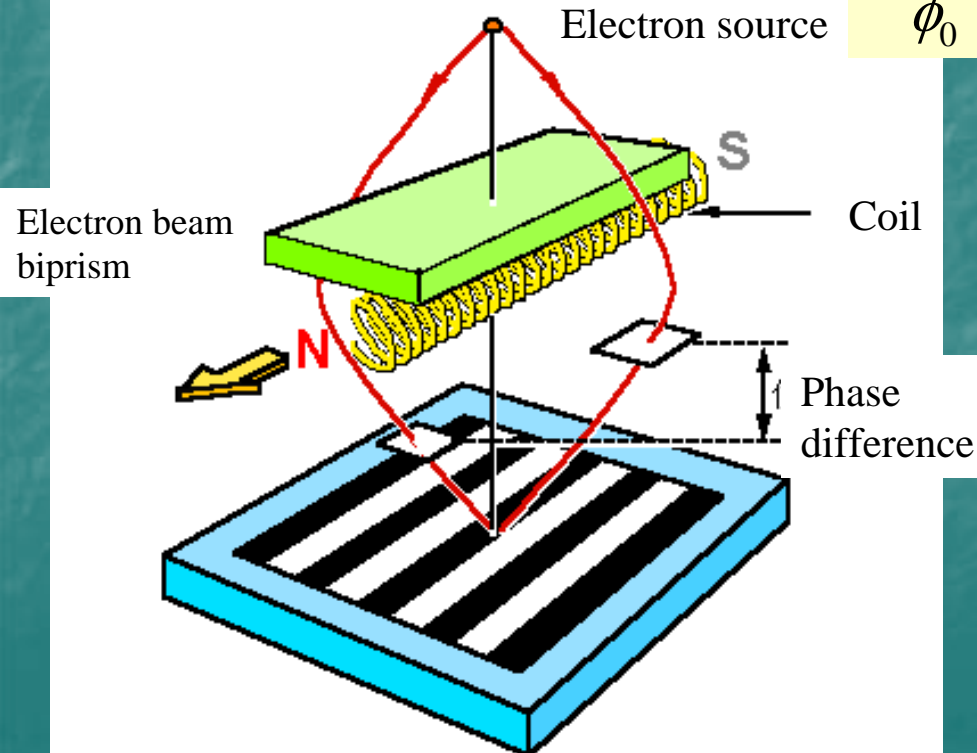
With accuracy of more than eight digits, agrees with h/e^2 .
 \Rightarrow International standard of resistance



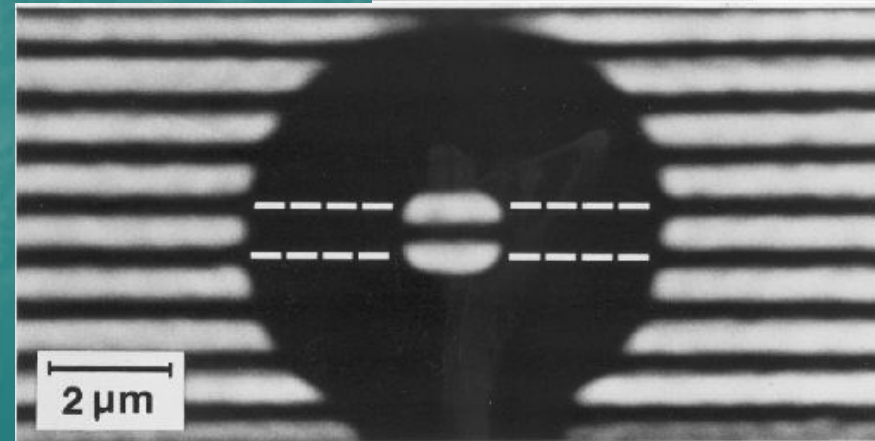
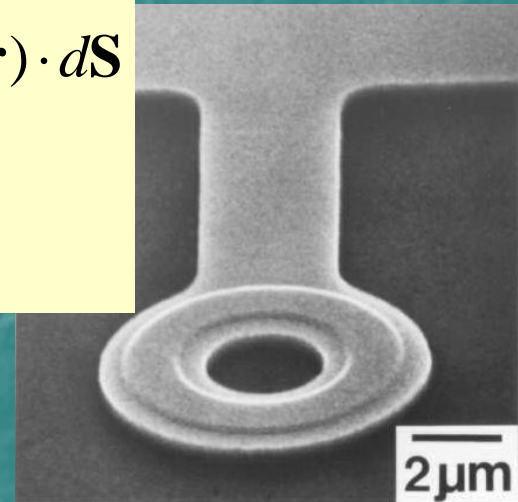
Aharonov-Bohm Effect (AB Effect)

Phase change in electron occurs due to the magnetic field (vector potential).

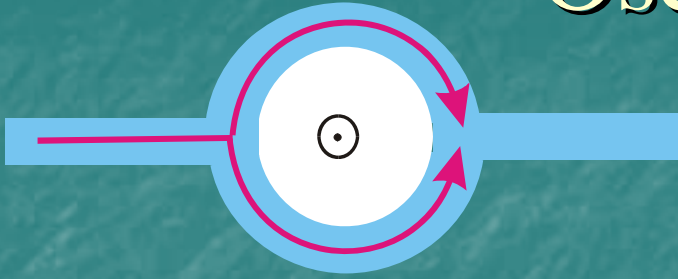
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\theta &= \frac{\hbar}{e} \int_L \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \frac{\hbar}{e} \int_R \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{e} \oint_{\text{loop}} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \frac{\hbar}{e} \int \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} \\ &= 2\pi \frac{\phi}{\phi_0} \quad \phi_0 = \frac{h}{e}\end{aligned}$$



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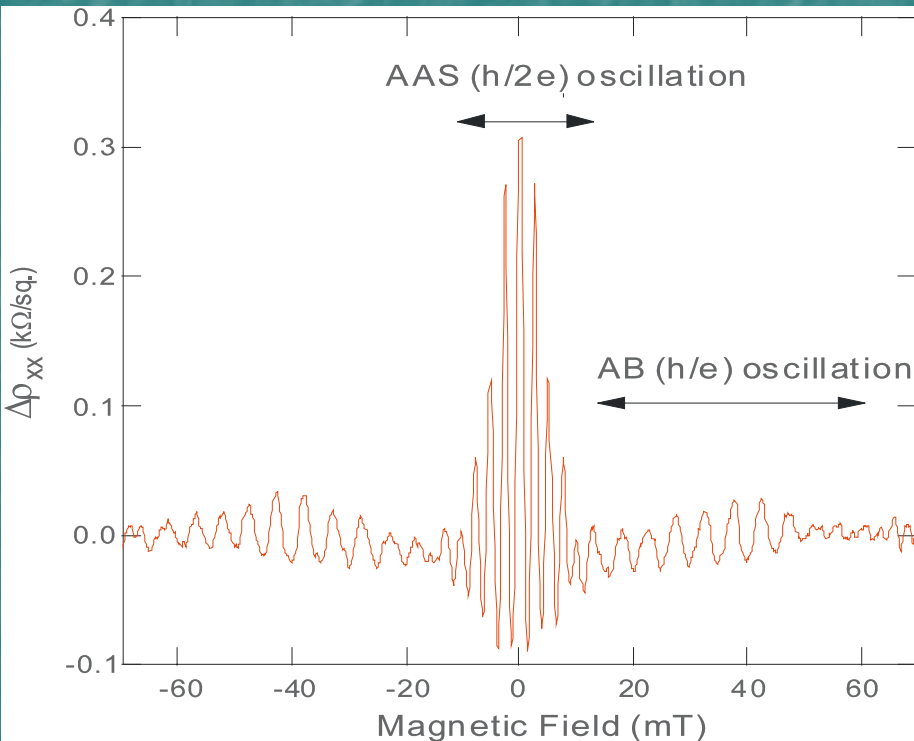
Aharonov-Bohm Oscillation (AB Oscillation)



$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\theta &= \frac{\hbar}{e} \int_L \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \frac{\hbar}{e} \int_R \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{e} \oint_{\text{loop}} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \frac{\hbar}{e} \int \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} \\ &= 2\pi \frac{\phi}{\phi_0} \quad \phi_0 = \frac{h}{e} \quad \text{Magnetic flux quantum}\end{aligned}$$

$$\phi_0 = \frac{e}{h} = 4.14 \times 10^{-15} \text{ Wb}$$

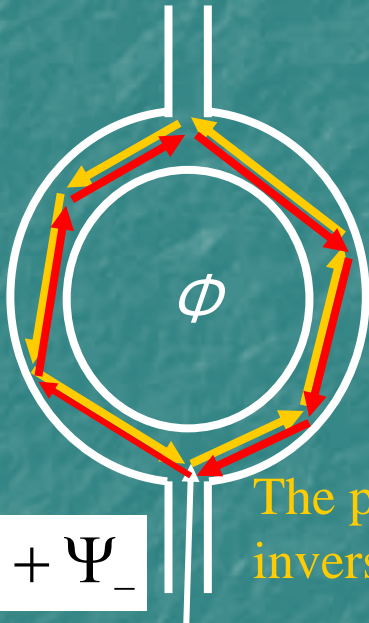
The above shows the interference of electron waves that pass through the paths in both sides of the ring. Electric resistance periodically oscillates for the ring penetrating magnetic flux Φ .



h/e oscillation and $h/2e$ oscillation

Electron Locality as Quantum Interference

$h/2e$ Oscillation



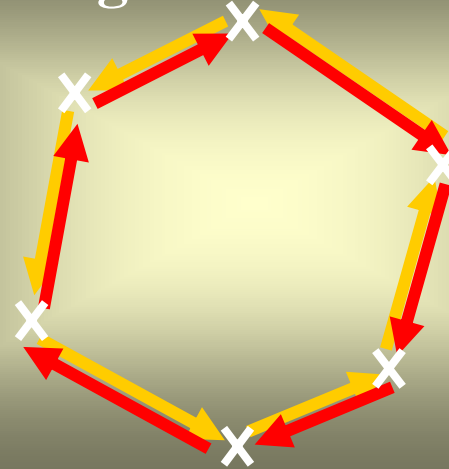
$$\Psi = \Psi_+ + \Psi_-$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi|^2 &= |\Psi_+ + \Psi_-|^2 \\ &= |\Psi_+|^2 + |\Psi_-|^2 + \underbrace{\Psi_+ \Psi_-^* + \Psi_- \Psi_+^*}_{\text{Quantum interference term}} \end{aligned}$$

Quantum interference term

The pair is in a relationship of inverse symmetry of time.

For non-ring structures:



$$\sigma_{2D} = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m} - \frac{P}{\pi} \frac{e^2}{h} \ln \frac{T}{T_0}$$

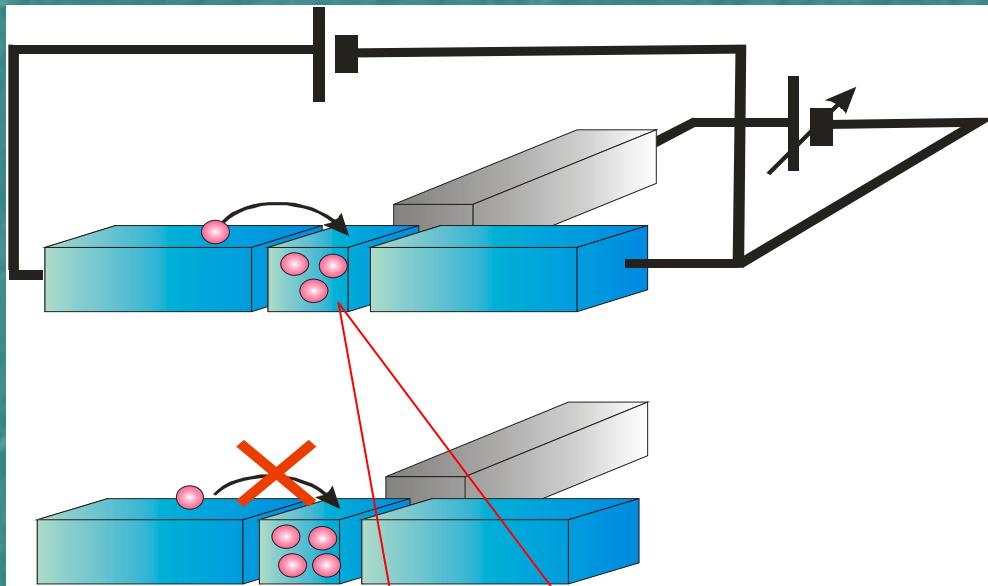
Classical
conductivity

Quantum
correction

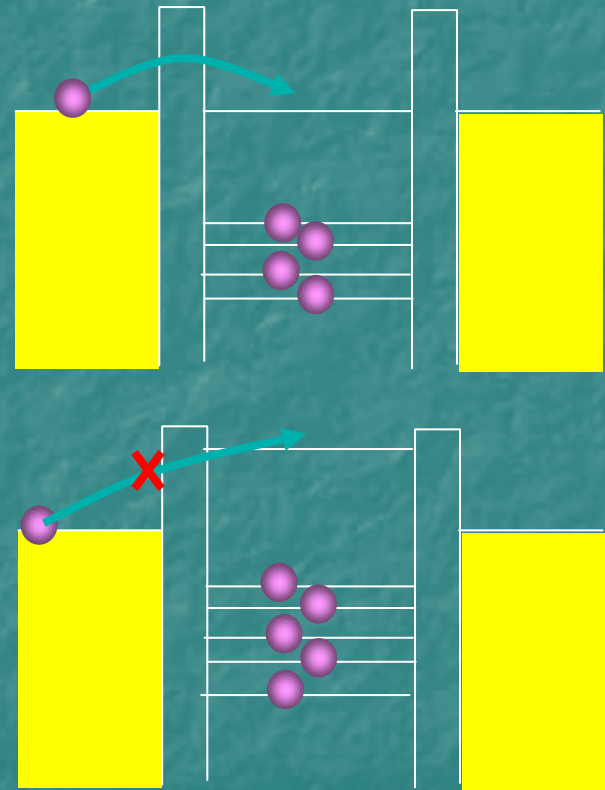
Conductance fluctuation $\sim e^2/h$

Mono-electron Tunnel Effect

Micro tunnel junction



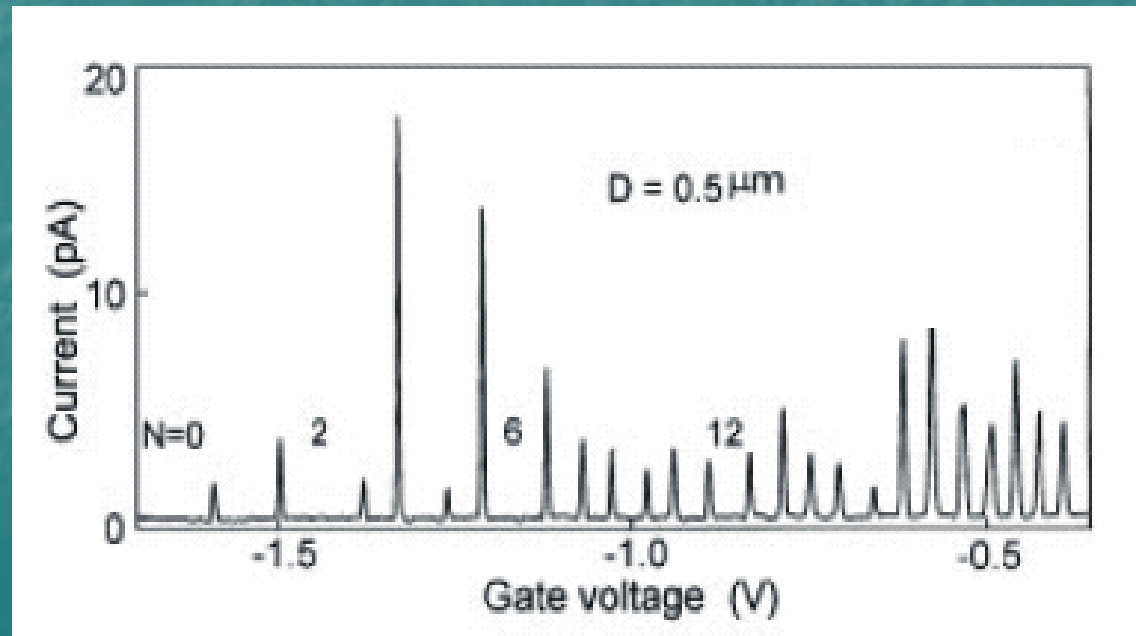
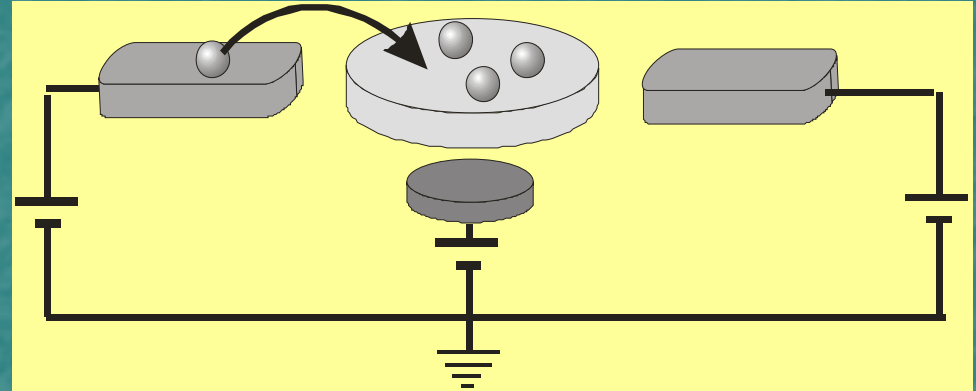
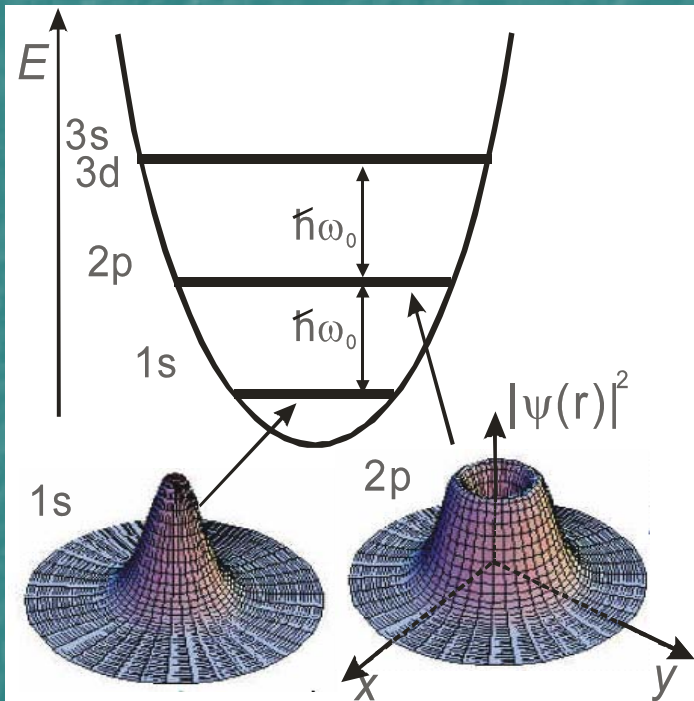
Coulomb island
(quantum dot)



Electrostatic potential of island is increased due to tunneling of a single electron.
⇒ the following electron cannot go in.

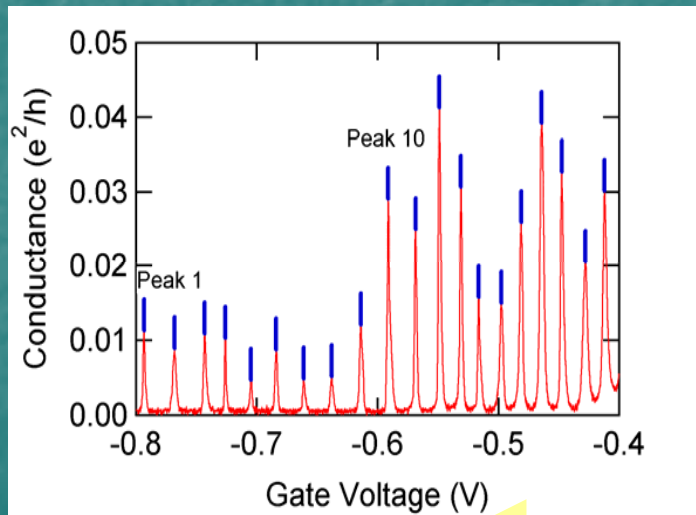
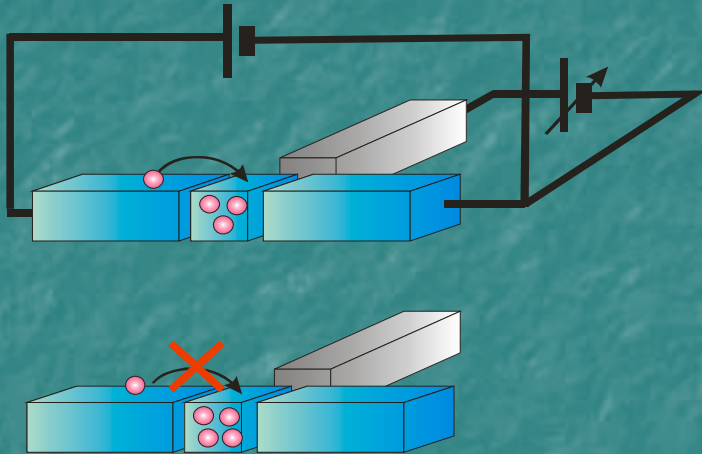
Coulomb blockade

Quantum Dot (Artificial Atom)



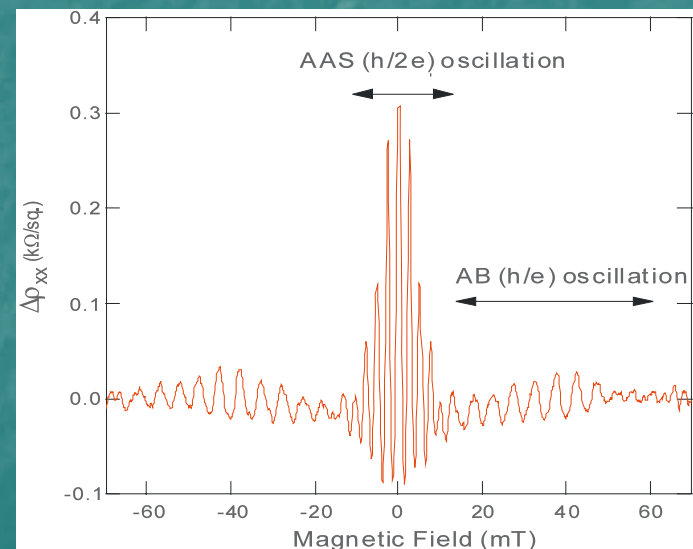
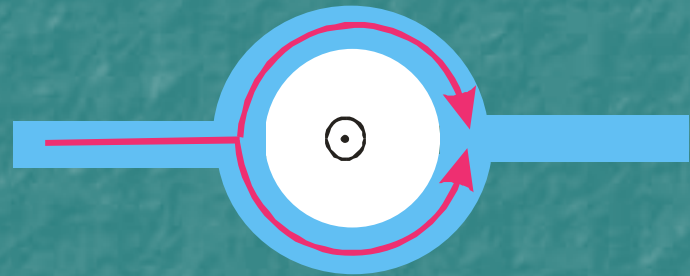
Quantum Physics in Mesoscopic System

Mono-electron tunnel effect



Particle properties

Quantum interference effect



Wave properties

Wave-particle duality of electrons

Summary

Mesoscopic physics

Artificially-designed system
+ state-of-the-art observation
and measuring methods

Visible quantum mechanics:

wave properties quantum interference effect
particle properties mono-electron tunnel effect

Magic number $e^2/h = (25.813 \text{ kW})^{-1}$

Incorporation of fundamental physics and high-tech