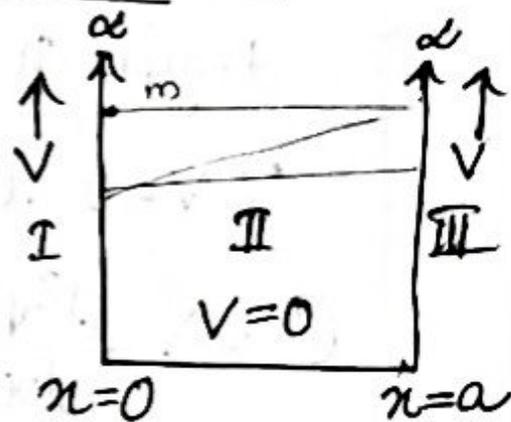


# Particle in a 1D-box

Consider a particle of mass 'm' moving along the x-dir<sup>n</sup> only, confined b/w  $x=0$  &  $x=a$ ; the P.E.,  $V$  is



0 - inside the box & but rises abruptly to infinity at the walls.

The Schrodinger eq<sup>n</sup> for 1D is,

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + \frac{8\pi^2m}{h^2} (E - V)\psi = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

(a) Outside the box

Region I ( $x < 0$ ) & III ( $x > a$ ).

$\therefore V = \infty$  in I & III

$$\text{(1)} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + \frac{8\pi^2m}{h^2} (E - \infty)\psi = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + \frac{8\pi^2m}{h^2} (E - V)\psi = 0$$

b) Inside the box

Region II ( $0 < x < a$ )

$\because V=0$  in Region II.

$$(1) \Rightarrow \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} \psi = 0 \quad (3)$$

This eq<sup>n</sup> has the sol<sup>n</sup>,

$$\psi = A \sin \left[ \left( \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} \right)^{1/2} x \right] + B \cos \left[ \left( \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} \right)^{1/2} x \right] \quad (4)$$

A & B  $\Rightarrow$  Constants

WKT, the particle is confined in the walls, the acceptable wave fun<sup>s</sup> must satisfy the boundary conditions.

$$\Rightarrow \psi = 0 \text{ at } x=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = A \sin 0 + B \cos 0$$

$$0 = A \times 0 + B \times 1 \Rightarrow B = 0.$$

$$(4) \Rightarrow \psi = A \sin \left[ \left( \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} \right)^{1/2} x \right] \quad (5)$$

Now apply, 2<sup>nd</sup> boundary cond<sup>n</sup>,  
 $\psi = 0$  at  $x=a$ .

$$\Rightarrow 0 = A \sin \left[ \left( \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} \right)^{1/2} a \right] + 0$$

$\because A$  cannot be zero.

$$\sin \left[ \left( \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} \right)^{1/2} a \right] = 0$$

$$\text{or } \left[ \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} \right]^{1/2} a = n\pi \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} a^2 = n^2 \pi^2$$

$$(6) \Rightarrow$$

$$E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 h^2}{8\pi^2 m a^2} = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8 m a^2} \quad (7)$$

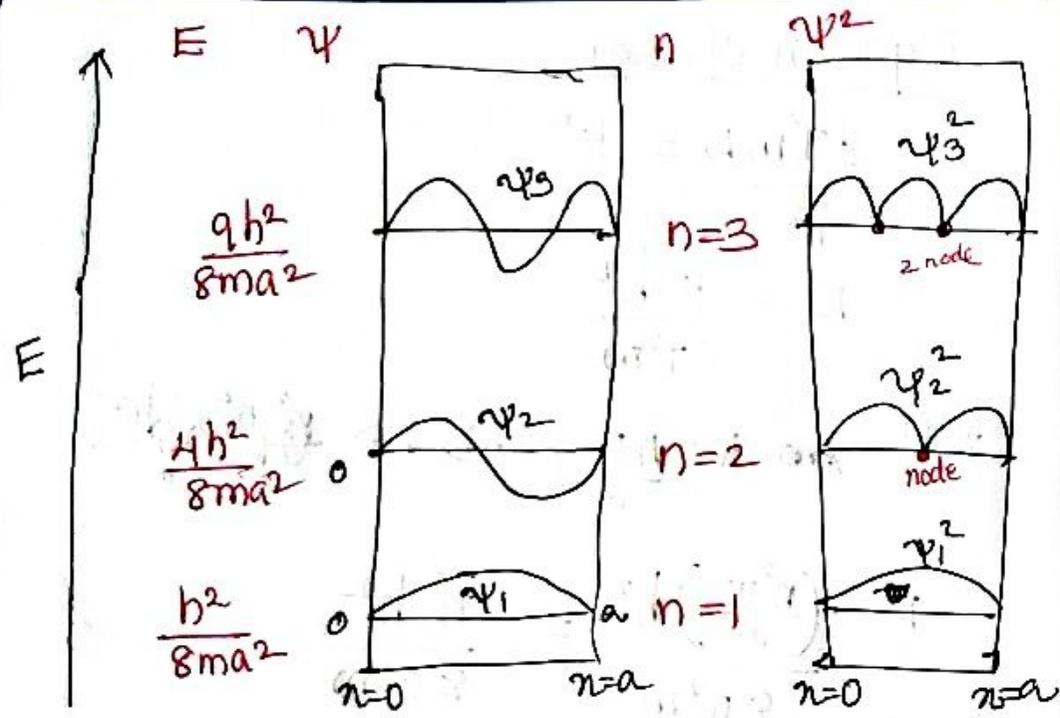
$$\psi_n = A \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a} \quad (8)$$

$\downarrow$   
either A or  $\sin Ka = 0$   
but A cannot be 0.

$$\Rightarrow \sin Ka = 0$$

$Ka = 0, 180, 360$   
 $Ka = n\pi$   
 $K = \frac{n\pi}{a}$

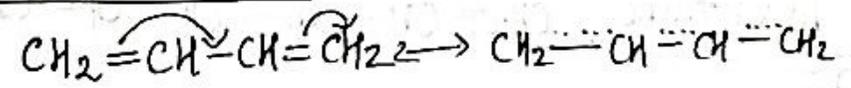
$$n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$



- node  
 > the probability to find  $e^-$  is 0 (if  $\psi^2=0$ )
- Zero point energy  
 > Possible lowest energy (see,  $h^2/8ma^2$ )

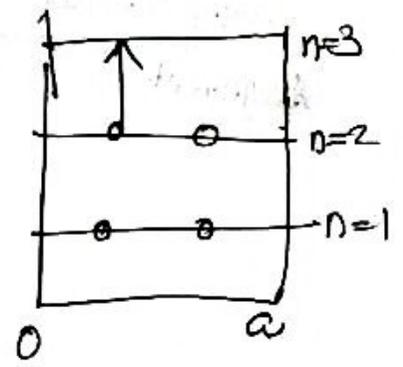
Application of 1D box

1,3-butadiene



4  $\pi e^-$  are free to move, but confined to the length of the molecule.

- >  $e^-$  occupy lowest 2 energy levels
- > LUMO  $\Rightarrow n=3$
- HOMO  $\Rightarrow n=2$



$$\Delta E = h\nu = E_3 - E_2 = \frac{(3^2 - 2^2)h^2}{8ma^2} = \frac{5h^2}{8ma^2} = 9.615 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

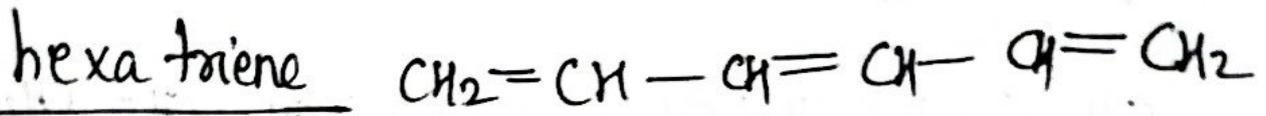
$E = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8ma^2}$   
 $9 - 4 = 5$

$[a = 0.56 \text{ nm}, m = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}]$

$h\nu = hc/\lambda$

or  $\lambda = \frac{hc}{h\nu} = \frac{hc}{\Delta E} = \frac{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s} \times 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{9.615 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}}$

$$\lambda = 206.7 \text{ nm}$$



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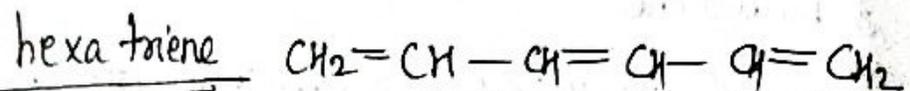
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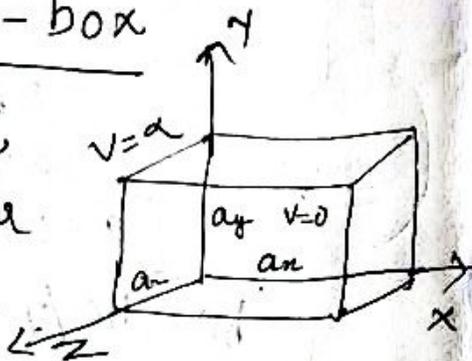
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### Particle in a 3D-box

Consider a particle of mass 'm',  
Confined to a 3D-rectangular  
box having sides  $a_x, a_y, a_z$ .

Potential energy is zero ( $V=0$ ) inside the box & is infinity at & outside walls.



Time independent  
The Schrodinger eq<sup>n</sup> for the system within the box ( $V=0$ ) is,

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} \psi = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

To solve this eq<sup>n</sup>, we use variable separ<sup>n</sup> method. Let us assume that the wave fun<sup>n</sup> is a product of 3 independent wave functions  $X(x), Y(y)$  &  $Z(z)$ , each being dependent only on its own coordinate.

$$\Rightarrow \psi = X(x) \cdot Y(y) \cdot Z(z)$$

For simplicity,  $\psi = XYZ$

Since,  $X, Y$  &  $Z$  respectively depends upon  $x, y$  &  $z$  only

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = YZ \frac{d^2 X}{dx^2}; \quad \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = XZ \frac{d^2 Y}{dy^2}; \quad \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} = XY \frac{d^2 Z}{dz^2}$$

$$\text{(1)} \Rightarrow YZ \frac{d^2 X}{dx^2} + XZ \frac{d^2 Y}{dy^2} + XY \frac{d^2 Z}{dz^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m E}{h^2} (XYZ) = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\therefore E = \frac{h^2}{8m} \left[ \frac{n_x^2}{a^2} + \frac{n_y^2}{a^2} + \frac{n_z^2}{a^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} [n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2]$$

- If  $n_x = n_y = n_z = 1$ , then the corresponding wave function is  $\psi_{(111)}$ , then

$$E_{111} = \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} [1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2] = \frac{3h^2}{8ma^2} \quad [\text{non degenerate}]$$

- If  $n_x = 1, n_y = 2, n_z = 1$

$$E_{(1,2,1)} = \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} [1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2] = \frac{6h^2}{8ma^2}$$

$$E_{(2,1,1)} = \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} [2^2 + 1^2 + 1^2] = \frac{6h^2}{8ma^2}$$

$$E_{(1,1,2)} = \frac{h^2}{8ma^2} [1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2] = \frac{6h^2}{8ma^2}$$

} degenerate

÷ through out by  $xyz$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} \frac{d^2x}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{y} \frac{d^2y}{dy^2} + \frac{1}{z} \frac{d^2z}{dz^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m \cdot E}{h^2} = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$E = \text{Total energy}$

$$\therefore E = E_x + E_y + E_z$$

$$\text{(3)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} \frac{d^2x}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{y} \frac{d^2y}{dy^2} + \frac{1}{z} \frac{d^2z}{dz^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_x + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_y + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_z = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\text{(4)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} \frac{d^2x}{dx^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_x = 0 \quad \text{--- (a)}$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{d^2y}{dy^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_y = 0 \quad \text{--- (b)}$$

$$\frac{1}{z} \frac{d^2z}{dz^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_z = 0 \quad \text{--- (c)}$$

$$\text{(a)} \times \text{by } x \Rightarrow \frac{d^2x}{dx^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_x \cdot x = 0 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

$$\text{(b)} \times y \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dy^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_y \cdot y = 0 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$\text{(c)} \times z \Rightarrow \frac{d^2z}{dz^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} E_z \cdot z = 0 \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

(5), (6) & (7) are the same as that for a particle in 1D box.

W.K.T, in 1D box,

$$\psi = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a}$$

$$X = X(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a_x}} \sin \left( \frac{n_x \pi x}{a_x} \right) \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

$$Y = Y(y) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a_y}} \sin \left( \frac{n_y \pi y}{a_y} \right) \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

$$Z = Z(z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a_z}} \sin \left( \frac{n_z \pi z}{a_z} \right) \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

$\therefore$  Total wavefn<sup>n</sup> of a particle in 3D-box,

$$\psi = XYZ = \left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{a_x}} \sin \left( \frac{n_x \pi x}{a_x} \right) \right] \cdot \left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{a_y}} \sin \left( \frac{n_y \pi y}{a_y} \right) \right] \cdot$$

$$\left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{a_z}} \sin \left( \frac{n_z \pi z}{a_z} \right) \right] \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

$$\psi = \sqrt{\frac{8}{\phi}} \sin \left[ \frac{n_x \pi x}{a_x} \right] \sin \left[ \frac{n_y \pi y}{a_y} \right] \sin \left[ \frac{n_z \pi z}{a_z} \right]$$

where  $\phi = a_x \cdot a_y \cdot a_z = \text{volume of the box.}$

## Energy

for 1D-box,  $E = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8ma^2}$  — (1)

In 3D-box,  $E = E_x + E_y + E_z$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow E = \frac{n_x^2 h^2}{8ma_x^2} + \frac{n_y^2 h^2}{8ma_y^2} + \frac{n_z^2 h^2}{8ma_z^2}$$

$$E = \frac{h^2}{8m} \left[ \frac{n_x^2}{a_x^2} + \frac{n_y^2}{a_y^2} + \frac{n_z^2}{a_z^2} \right]$$

## Degeneracy:-

\* When different states have same energy, these states are said to be degenerate & the phenomenon is called degeneracy.

W.K.T,  $E = \frac{h^2}{8m} \left[ \frac{n_x^2}{a_x^2} + \frac{n_y^2}{a_y^2} + \frac{n_z^2}{a_z^2} \right]$

If we consider the cubic box,

$$a_x = a_y = a_z$$