

# **FYS3410 - Vår 2016 (Kondenserte fasers fysikk)**

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**Pensum: Introduction to Solid State Physics  
by Charles Kittel (Chapters 1-9 and 17, 18, 20)**

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# 2016 FYS3410 Lectures (based on C.Kittel's Introduction to SSP, Chapters 1-9, 17,18,20)

## Module I – Periodic Structures and Defects (Chapters 1-3, 20)

M18/1: 9-12 am	Introduction. Crystal bonding. Periodicity and lattices, Brag diffraction and Laue condition, reciprocal space	3h
<i>W20/1 cancelled</i>		
M25/1: 9-12 am	Ewald construction, interpretation of a diffraction experiment , Brag planes, and Brillouin zones	3h
<i>W27/1 cancelled</i>		
M01/2: 10-12 am	Elastic strain and structural defects in crystals	2h
W03/2: 9-10 am	Atomic diffusion in solids	1h
M08/2: 10-12 am	Summary of Module I	2h

## Module II – Phonons (Chapters 4 and 5)

W10/2: 9-10 am	Vibrations in monoatomic and diatomic chains of atoms	1h
M15/2: 10-12am	Periodic boundary conditions, phonons and density of states (DOS)	2h
W17/2: 9-10 am	Planck distribution	1h
M22/2 : 10-12am	Lattice heat capacity: Dulong-Petit, Einstein, and Debye models	2h
<i>W24/2 cancelled</i>		
M29/2: 9-12am	Comparison of different models for lattice heat capacity, thermal conductivity with phonons	3h
W02/3: 9-10 am	Thermal expansion	1h
M07/3: 10-12am	Summary of Module II.	2h

## Module III – Electrons (Chapters 6, 7, 18 - pp.528-530, and Appendix D)

W09/3: 9-10 am	Free electron gas (FEG) versus free electron Fermi gas (FEFG)	1h
M14/3: 10-12am	DOS of FEFG in 3D. Effect of temperature – Fermi-Dirac distribution	2h
W16/3: 9-10 am	Heat capacity of FEFG in 3D	1h
W30/3: 9-10 am	DOS in 2D - quantum wells	1h
M04/4: 10-12am	DOS in 1D and 0D, i.e. quantum wires and quantum dots; transport properties of electrons	2h
W06/4: 9-10 am	Origin of the energy band gap	
M11/4: 10-12am	Nearly free electron model. Kronig-Penney model. Empty lattice approximation.	2h
W13/4: 9-10 am	Number of orbitals in a band	1h
M18/4: 10-12am	Summary of Module III.	2h

## Module IV – Semiconductors and interfaces (Chapters 8, 9-pp 223-231, 17)

W20/4: 9-10 am	Metals versus semiconductors. Surfaces and interfaces.	1h
M25/4: 9-12 am	Effective mass method.	3h
W27/4: 9-10 am	Intrinsic carrier generation – electrons and holes.	1h
M02/5: 9-12 am	Localized levels for hydrogen-like impurities – donors and acceptors. Doping.	3h
W04/5: 9-10 am	Carrier statistics in semiconductors	1h
M09/5: 9-12 am	p-n junctions	3h
W11/5: 9-10 am	Optoelectronic semiconductor properties and devices	1h
M18/5: 9-12 am	Device demonstrations. Summary of Module IV	3h

## Repetition

M23/5 9-12 am	The course in a nutshell	2h
<i>W25/5, M30/5 and W1/6 cancelled</i>		

Exam during week 22 (tentatively 30-31/5)

# Origin of energy bands and nearly free electron model

- **Recap of the one-electron approximation**
- **Intuitive picture**
- **Bragg-reflection for nearly free electrons**
- **Gap opening for nearly free electrons**
- **Solution of the Schrödinger equation**

# Recap of one electron approximation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m_e} \psi(\mathbf{r}) + U(\mathbf{r}) \psi(\mathbf{r}) = E \psi(\mathbf{r})$$

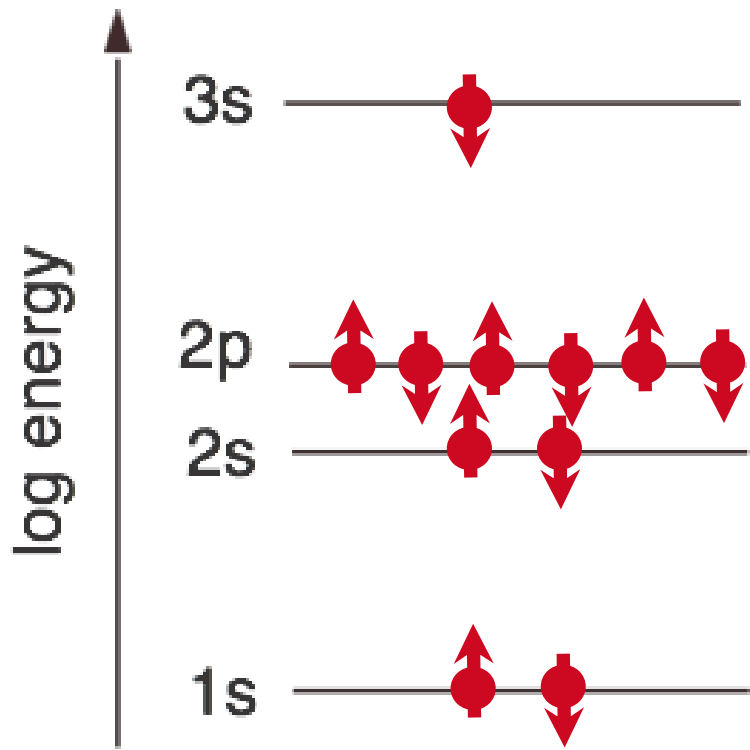
we know for sure that

$$U(\mathbf{r}) = U(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{R})$$

...but not much more

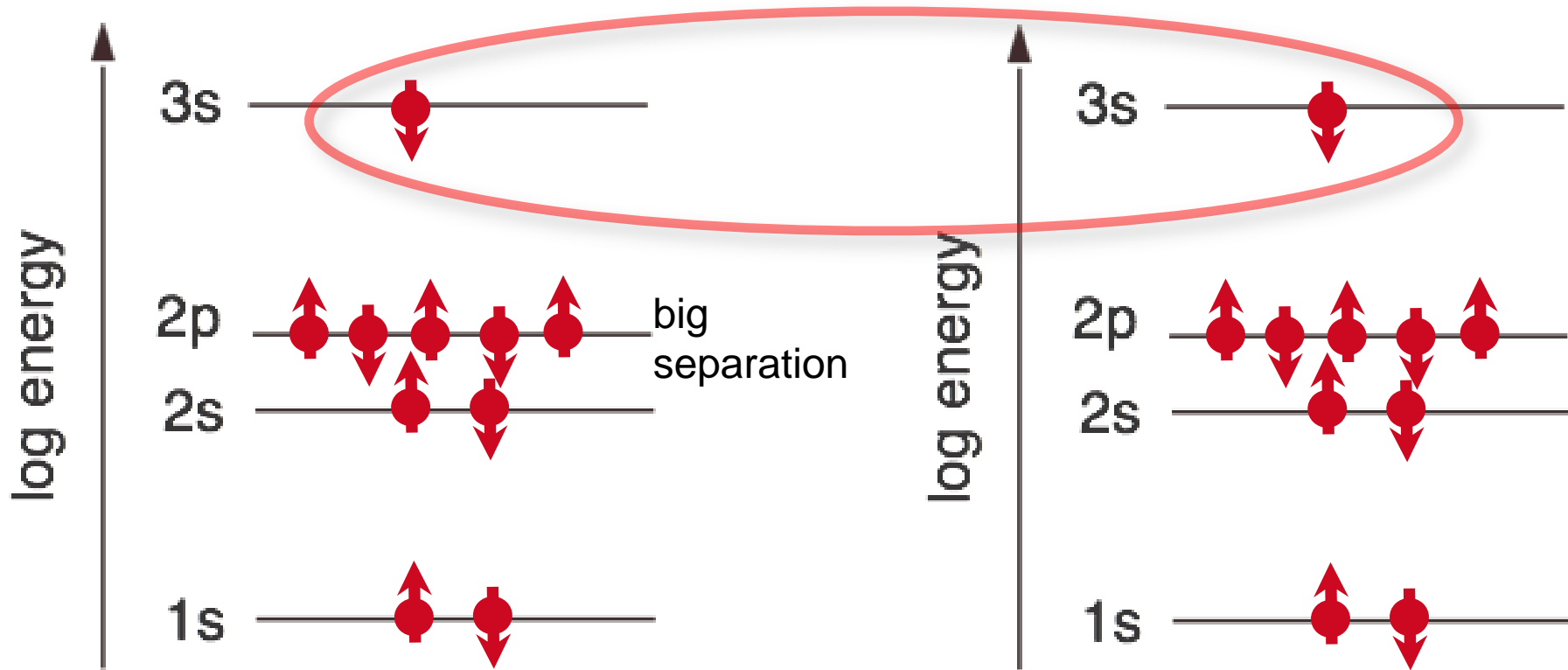
# The idea of energy bands: Na

consider one atom of Na: 11 electrons



# The idea of energy bands: Na

consider two Na atoms / a  $\text{Na}_2$  molecule: 22 electrons

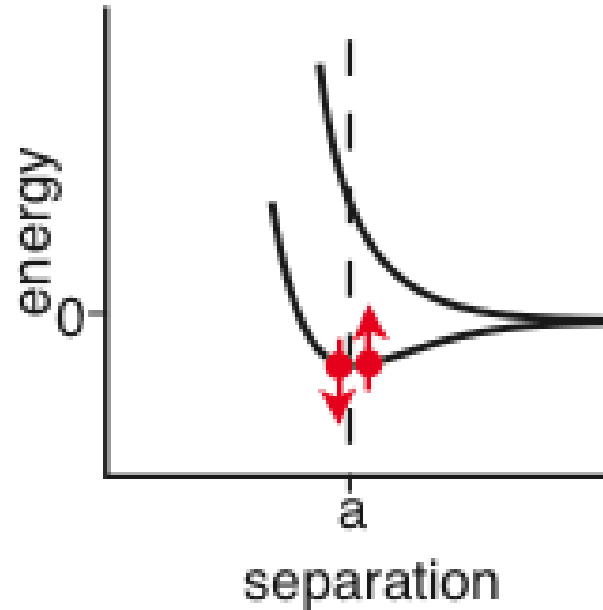
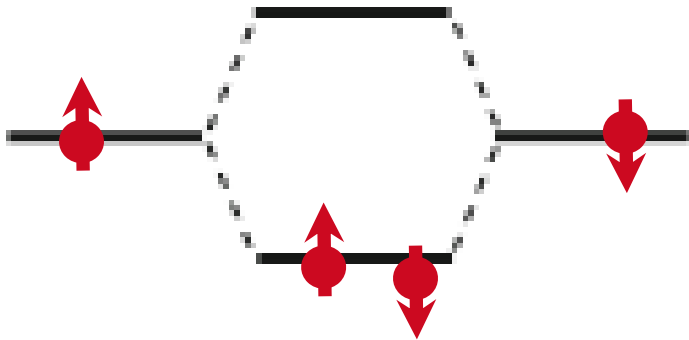


- Focus only on the valence (outer) electrons (3s).
- What happens when we move them together?

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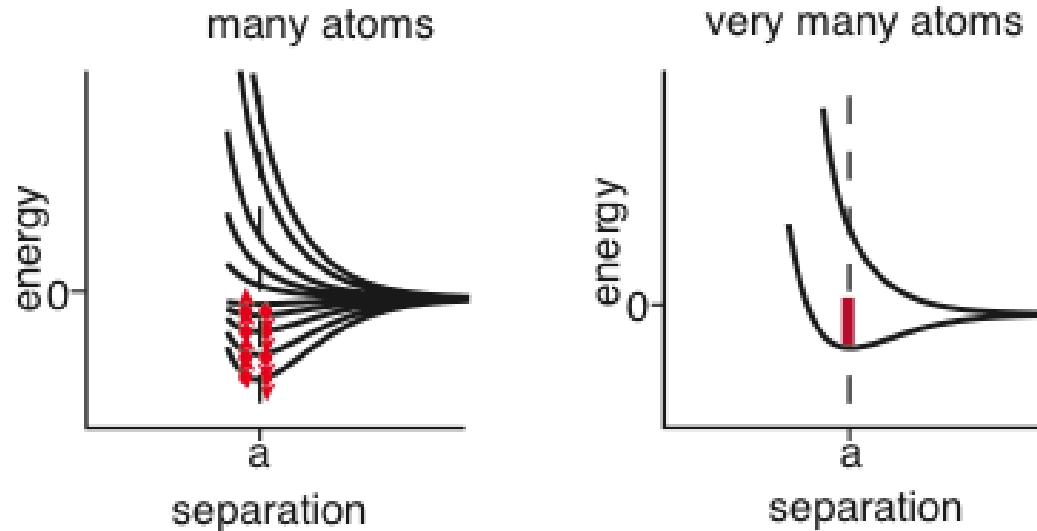
molecular  
energy levels  
capacity:  $2 \times 2 = 4$  electrons



- Levels split up in bonding and anti bonding molecular orbitals and are occupied according to the Pauli principle.
- The distance between the atoms must be such that there is an energy gain.

# The idea of energy bands: Na

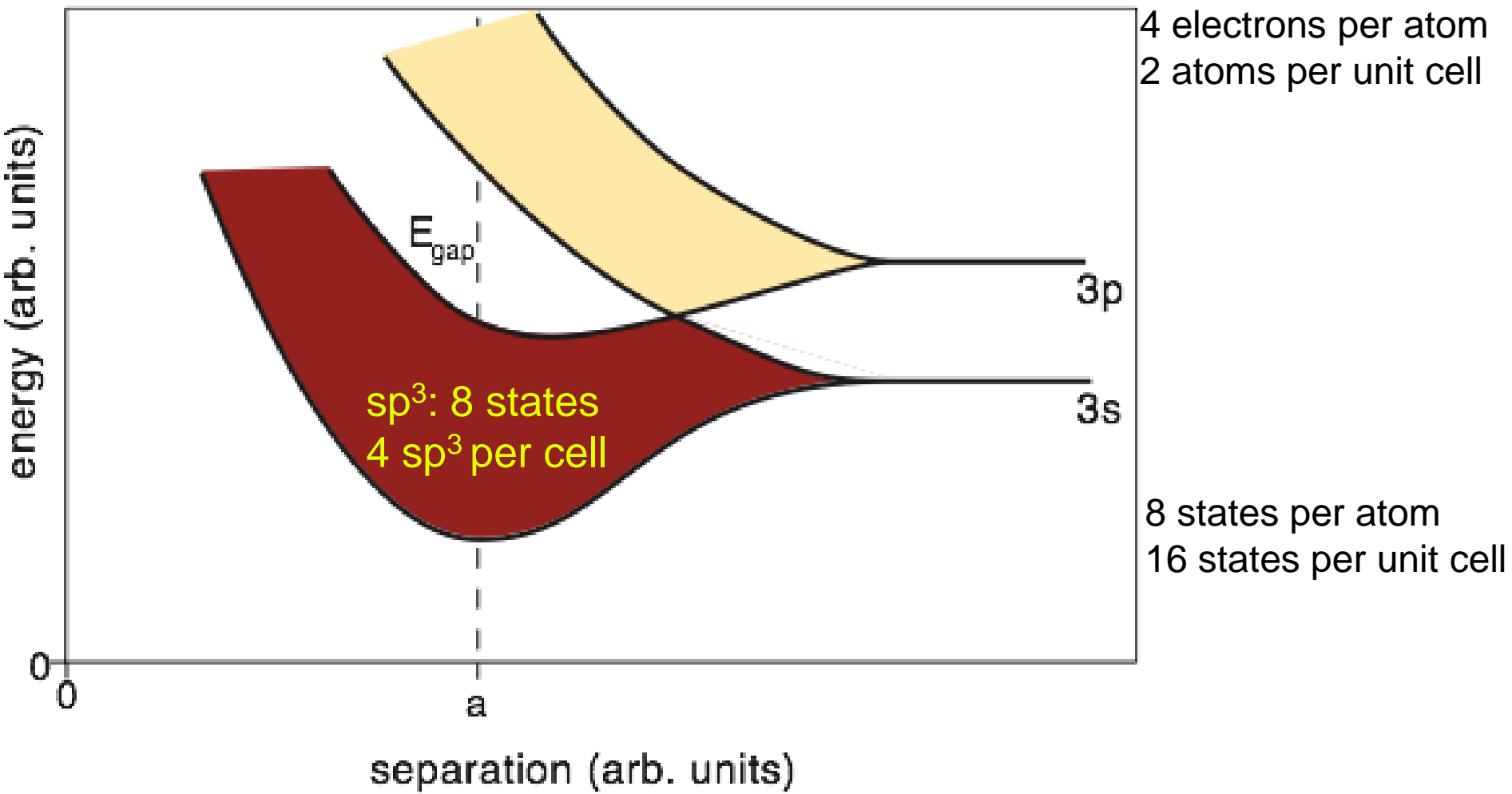
consider many ( $N$ ) Na atoms (only 3s level)



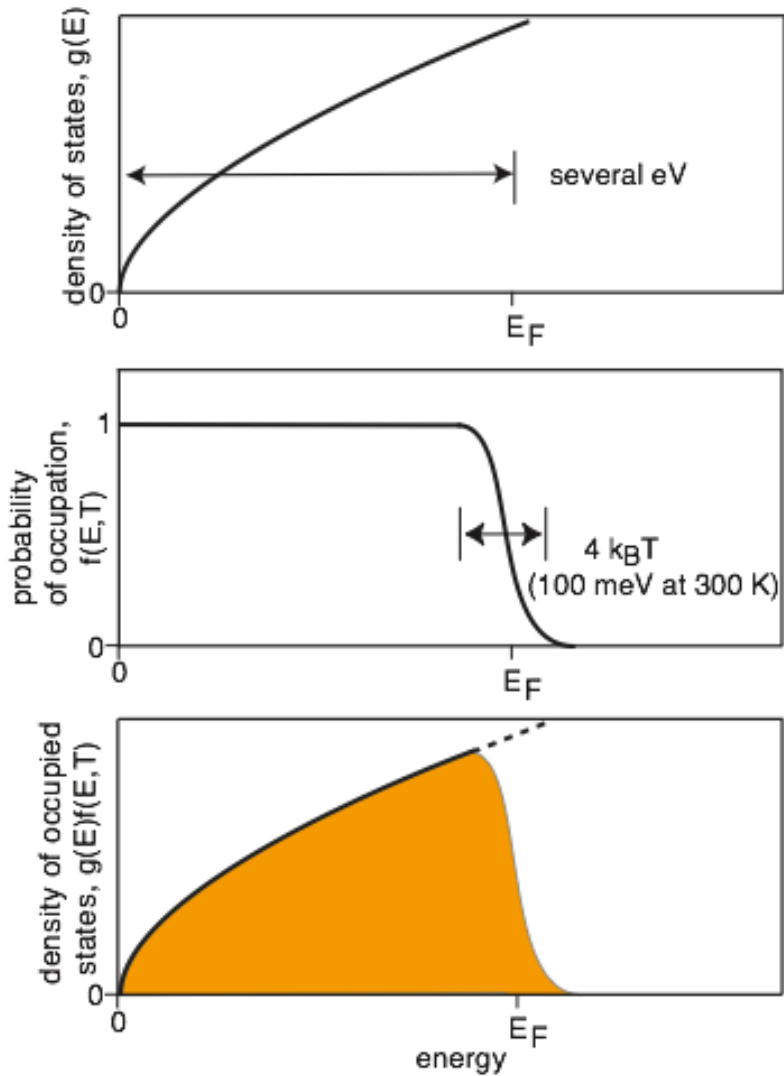
- $N$  levels with very similar energies, like in a super-giant molecule. We can speak of a “band” of levels.
- Every band has  $N$  levels. We can put  $2N$  electrons into it (but we have only  $N$  electrons from  $N$  Na atoms).



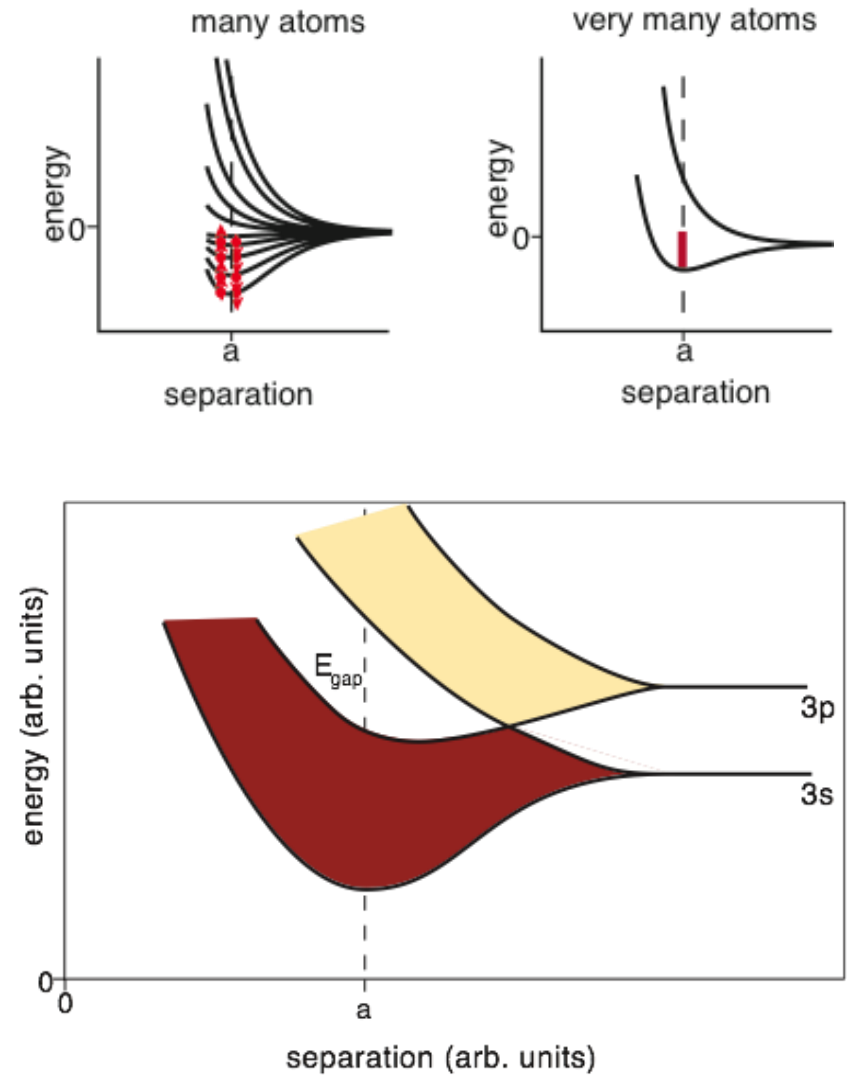
# The idea of energy bands: Si



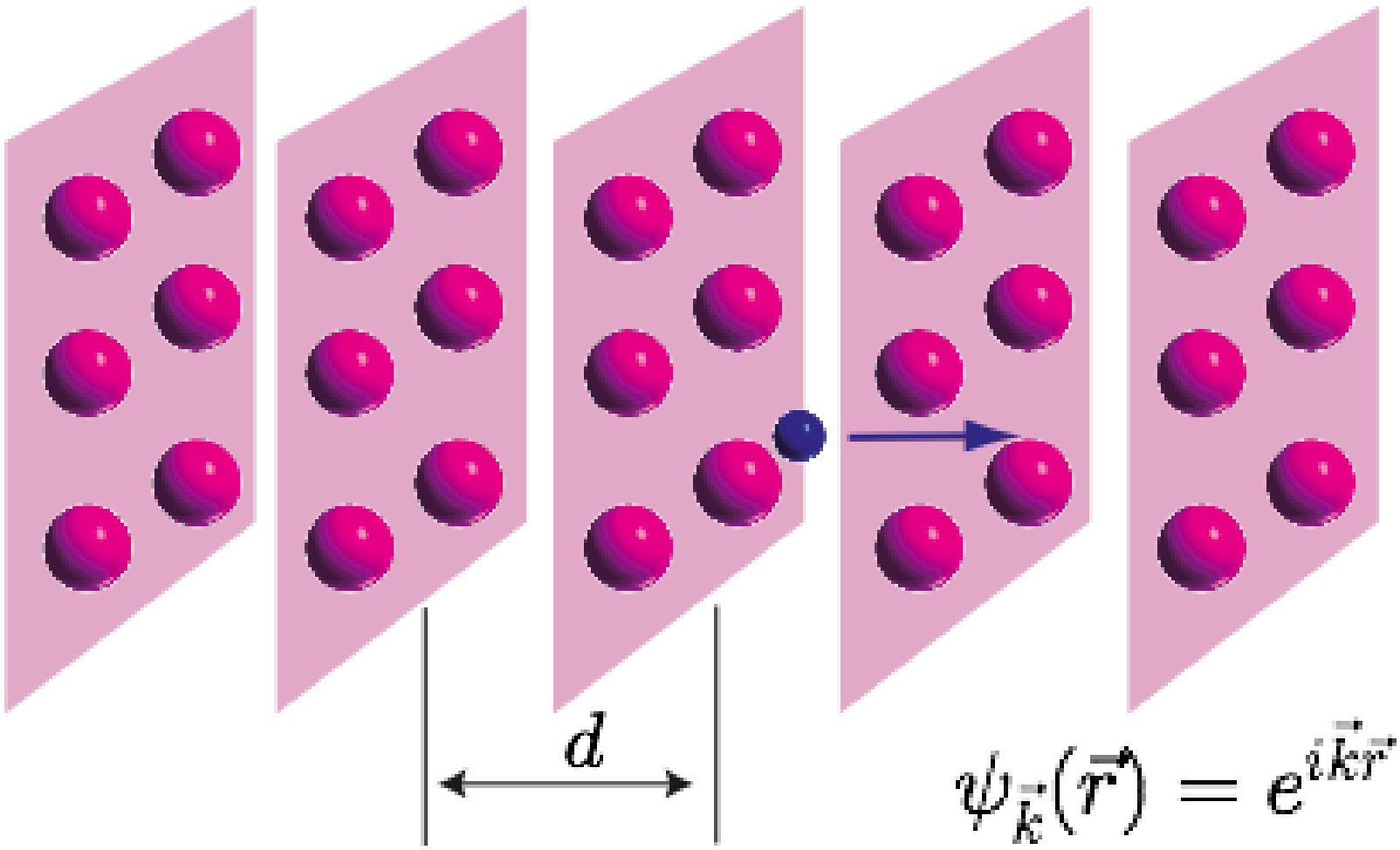
# free electron model



# naive band picture



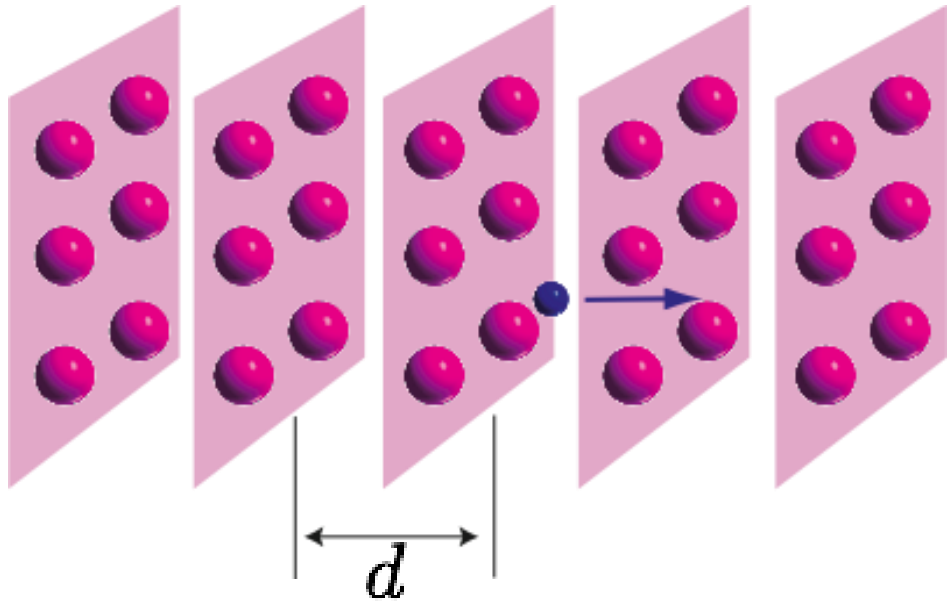
# Bragg-reflection for nearly free electrons



electron traveling perpendicular to crystal planes

# Bragg-reflection for nearly free electrons

consider only one direction (x)



free electron wave function

$$\psi(r) = e^{ikr}$$

with a de Broglie wavelength

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \quad \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k}$$

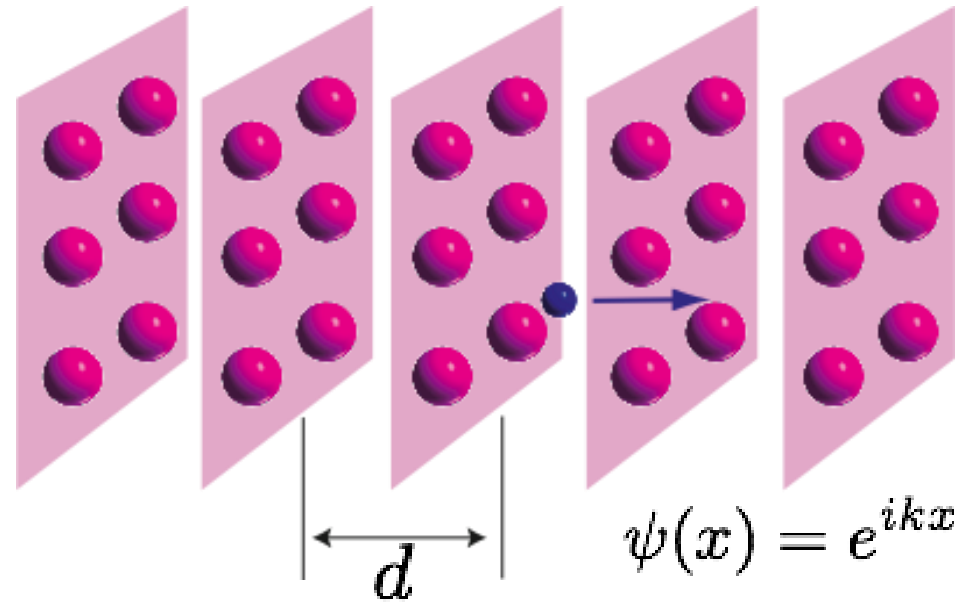
Bragg condition

$$n\lambda = 2d \sin\theta \quad \text{with} \quad \theta = 90^\circ, -90^\circ$$

this gives a Bragg condition for electron waves:

$$k = \pm \frac{n\pi}{d}$$

# Bragg-reflection for nearly free electrons



Bragg condition for electron waves:

$$k = \pm \frac{n\pi}{d}$$

Bragg reflection results in standing, not traveling electron waves

two possible linear combinations of  $\exp(\pm i \frac{\pi}{d} x)$

$$\Psi(+)=\exp\left(i \frac{\pi}{d} x\right)+\exp\left(-i \frac{\pi}{d} x\right)=2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{d} x\right)$$

$$\Psi(-)=\exp\left(i \frac{\pi}{d} x\right)-\exp\left(-i \frac{\pi}{d} x\right)=2 i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{d} x\right)$$

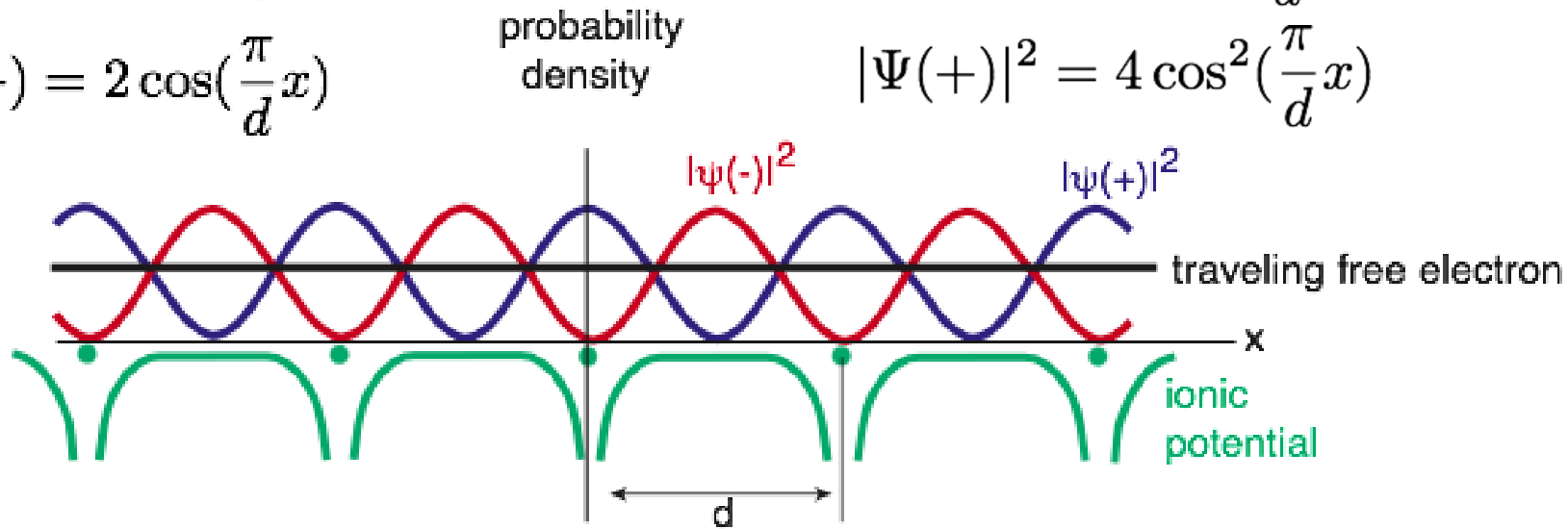
# Gap opening for nearly free electrons

$$\Psi(-) = 2i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{d}x\right)$$

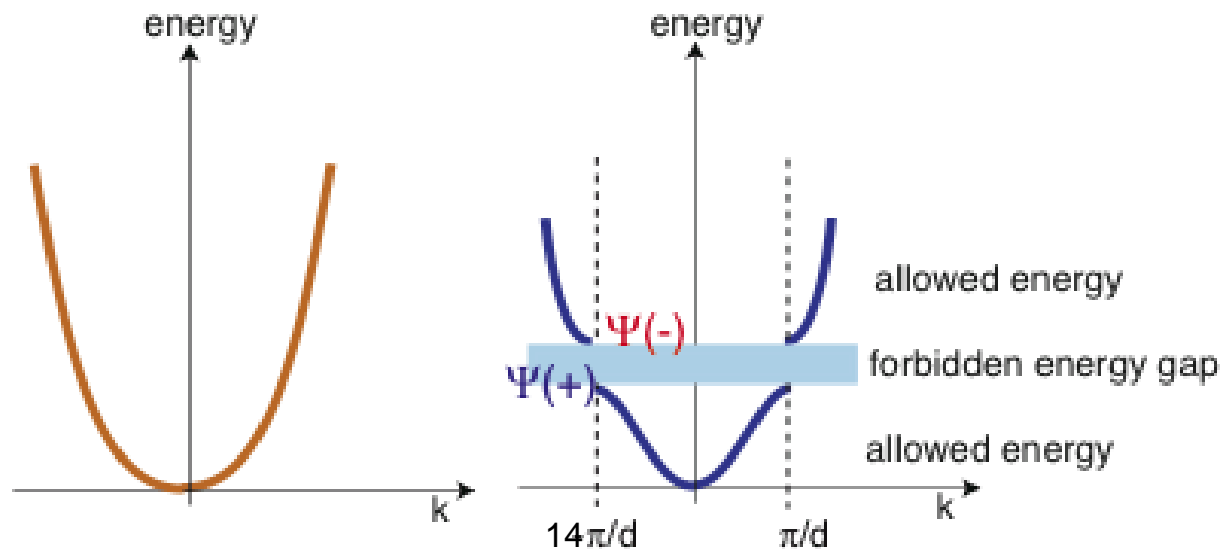
$$|\Psi(-)|^2 = 4 \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{d}x\right)$$

$$\Psi(+) = 2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{d}x\right)$$

$$|\Psi(+)|^2 = 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{d}x\right)$$



$$E = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m_e}$$



# General form of Bloch theory

Schrödinger equation for a periodic potential

$$U(\mathbf{r}) = U(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{R})$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m_e} \psi(\mathbf{r}) + U(\mathbf{r}) \psi(\mathbf{r}) = E \psi(\mathbf{r})$$

solutions have the form of **Bloch waves**

$$\psi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{r}} u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})$$

plane wave

lattice-periodic function

$$u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{R})$$