

(Modern Physics)

Quiz 5 - PHY244

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Solution

Giving or receiving aid is cause for dismissal from the university.

$$m_e c^2 = 511000 \text{ eV}, \quad c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}, \quad hc = 1240 \text{ nm}\cdot\text{eV}, \quad e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}.$$

$$\psi_n(x) = (\sqrt{2/a}) \sin(n\pi x/a)$$

♠ An electron is in the ground state of a one-dimensional box of a size  $a = 2.5 \text{ nm}$ . Determine its quantum ground state energy (relative to the flat bottom of the potential well).

$$p_e = \frac{hc}{2a} = \frac{1240 \text{ nm}\cdot\text{eV}}{5 \text{ nm}} = 248 \text{ eV}$$

$$E = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{(248)^2}{2.511000} = 0.0602 \text{ eV}$$

♠ Use reasonable approximation to determine the probability of the electron in the narrow interval  $[\frac{1.01}{6}a, \frac{0.99}{6}a]$ .

$$\psi(\text{strip}) \approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi \frac{a}{6}}{a}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2a}}$$

$$\psi^2 = \frac{1}{2a}$$

$$\int_{\text{strip}} \psi^2 dx = \psi^2 \Delta x = \frac{1}{2a} \times \frac{0.02}{6} a = \frac{0.01}{6} = 0.0017$$

♠ Determine the probability of the electron in the interval  $[0.5a, a]$ .

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ by symmetry}$$