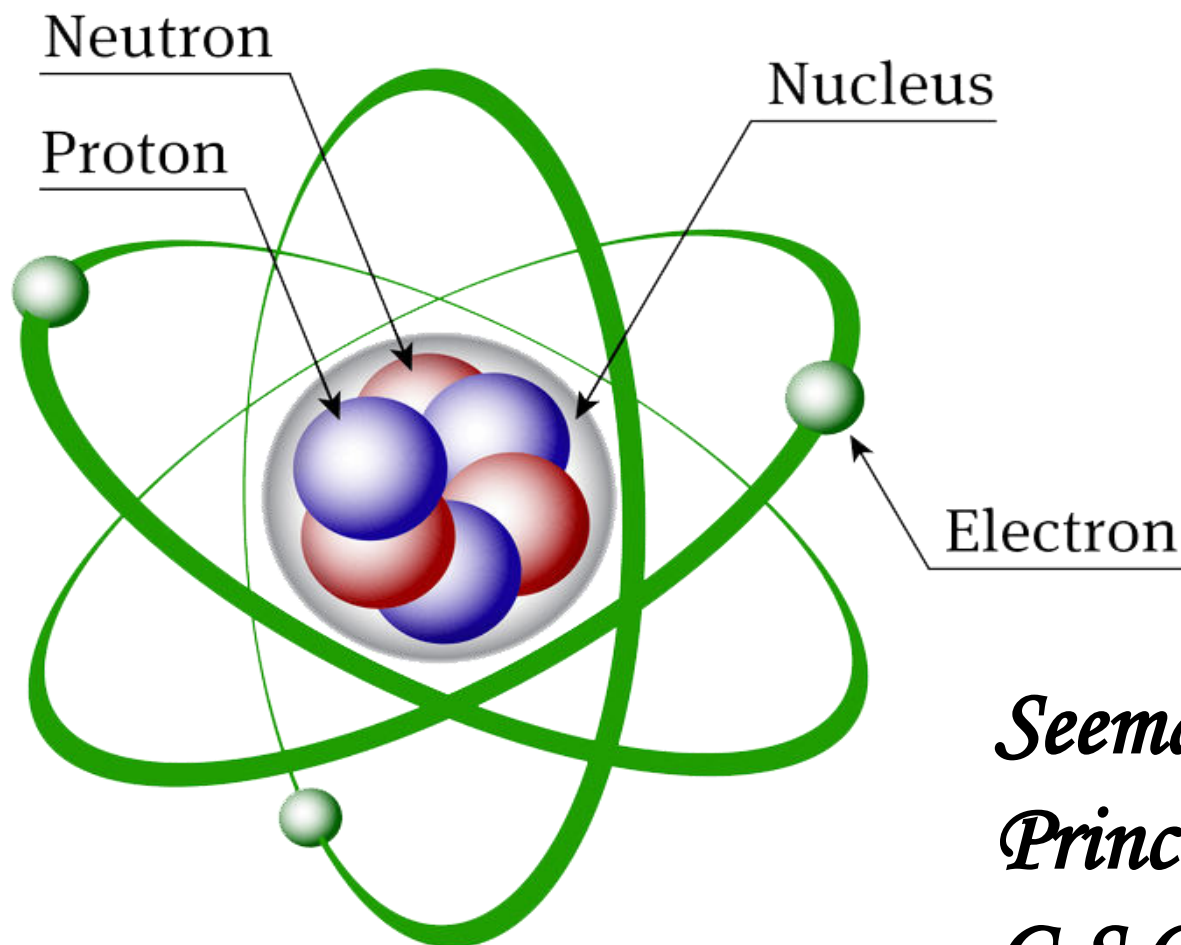


# *Structure Of Atom*



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# *SCHRODINGER WAVE EQUATION*

- Schrodinger described the behaviour of electron in an atom by a mathematical equation known as Schrodinger wave equation.
- He used de Broglie idea to describe the motion of an electron in terms of electron wave.
- Though we cannot find the exact position or path of the electron we can calculate the energy of an electron.

$$\frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial z^2} + \frac{8\pi^2m}{h^2}(\mathbf{E}-\mathbf{V})\psi = 0\dots\dots(i)$$

**m= mass of electron, E = total energy,  
V= Potential energy, h = Planck's constant,  
 $\psi$  = amplitude of electron wave (wave function)**

$\frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial x^2}$  = refers to second derivative of  $\psi$  w.r.t **x only**

$\frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial y^2}$  = refers to second derivative of  $\psi$  w.r.t **y only**

$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2}$  = refers to second derivative of  $\psi$  w.r.t **z only**

*Schrodinger wave eqn. can also be written as*

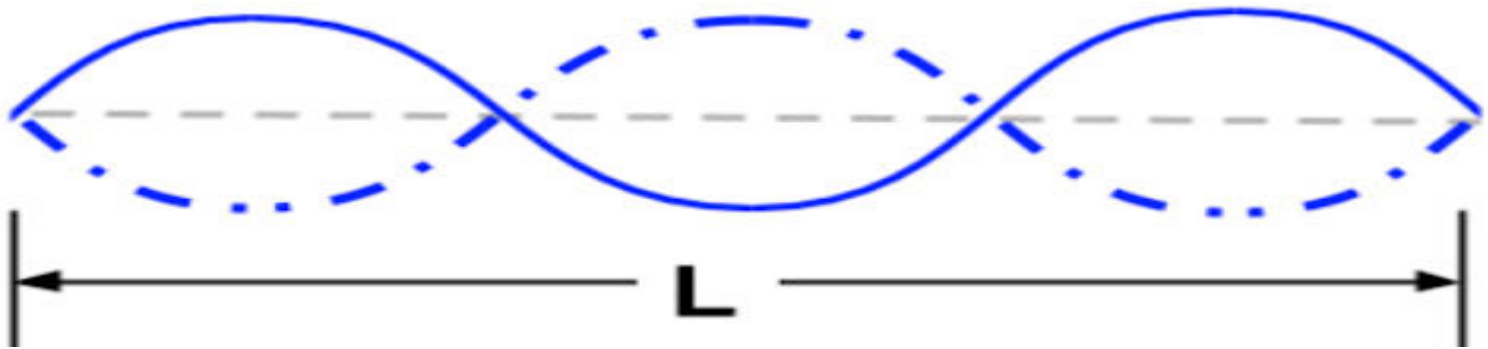
$$\nabla^2 \psi + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} (E - V)\psi = 0 \dots\dots\dots \text{(ii)}$$

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] \psi$$

$\nabla^2$  = Laplacian operator

## **Formulation of Schrodinger wave equation:**

Assumed that nucleus of atom is surrounded by vibrating electron wave similar to standing wave.



**Stationary wave produced by vibrating string fixed between two fixed point**

**The general equation for such a wave in one direction ( x- axis) is given as**

$$\Psi = A \frac{\sin 2\pi x}{\lambda} \dots\dots\dots \text{(iii)}$$

**A= constant,**

**$\psi$ = amplitude or wave function**

**x = distance from origin in one direction**

**$\lambda$ = wavelength**

On double differentiating Eq. (iii)

$$\frac{d\psi}{dx} = A \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = A \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (-) \sin \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}$$

$$= -\frac{4\pi^2}{\lambda^2} \cdot A \sin \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}$$

Substitute the value of  $\psi$  from equation 1

$$= -\frac{4\pi^2}{\lambda^2} \psi \dots \dots \dots \text{(iv)}$$

According to de Broglie

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

Substitute the value of  $\lambda$  in equation (iv)

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = - \frac{4\pi^2 m^2 v^2}{h^2} \psi \dots \dots (v)$$

Consider electron as particle.

$E$  = Total energy.

$T$  = Kinetic energy

$P$  = Potential energy.



Total energy of electron is

$$\text{Total Energy} = K.E (T) + P.E (V)$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + V$$

$$m v^2 = 2 (E - V)$$

$$v^2 = \frac{2 (E - V)}{m} \dots \dots (vi)$$

Substitute the value of  $v^2$  from eq. 5 into eq. 4

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = - \frac{4 \pi^2 m^2 \times 2 (E - V)^2}{h^2} \psi$$

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

Or

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

Above equation is Schrodinger wave equation for wave motion in one direction (x).

Similarly the Schrodinger wave equation for wave motion in y and z axis may be written as

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

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

So the Schrodinger wave equation for wave motion of electron in three directions  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  may be written as

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

- The potential energy 'V' in S.W.E. can also be determined.
- The potential energy of an electron at rest and at infinite distance is taken as zero.
- Potential energy will have some value when the electron is at a distance 'r' from the nucleus and it is given as

$$V = - \frac{(+Ze)(e)}{r} = - \frac{Ze^2}{r}$$

where,

+Ze = charge on the nucleus

Z = atomic number

e = charge on the electron

So, the equation can be written as

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} \left( E + \frac{Ze^2}{r} \right) \psi = 0$$

- This eqn. is the basis of wave mechanical model of atom.
- Dependence on all three coordinates suggests that quantum mechanical model considers that the charge on electron is distributed about the nucleus in three dimensions.
- It is not confined to planar orbits as in Bohr model .

Schrodinger wave equation for a system whose energy does not change with time can be written as

operator that contains  
the physics of the system

the energy


$$H\Psi = E\Psi$$

“wave function” that tells location  
and velocity of the particle

**H** is the **Hamiltonian operator** which is vector sum of kinetic and potential energy.

Takes into account K.E of all sub atomic particle( electron , nuclei) and attractive potential between nuclei and electron and repulsive potential between nuclei and electron.

Solution of Schrodinger equation gave value of E and  $\psi$



## ***SOLUTIONS OF S.W.E :***

- Have **large number** of solutions in terms of wave function ( $\Psi$  )
- All solutions **are not acceptable** as they do not have any physical significance.
- Solutions which **satisfy certain conditions** and have physical significance are acceptable.
- These are called **eigen functions** of the system.

# CONDITIONS FOR WAVE FUNCTION ( $\Psi$ ) TO SATISFY :

1.  $\Psi$  must be single valued .
2. The wave function  $\psi$  must be continuous.
3.  $\Psi$  must have finite value.
4.  $\Psi$  must be normalised.
5.  $\psi$  must become zero at infinity

**EIGEN FUNCTIONS** : Are the solution of Schrodinger wave equation which have physical significance and corresponds to definite energy values (eigen values).

**EIGEN VALUE** : Are the definite values of total energy for solutions of Schrodinger wave equation which have physical significance .

# Application of Schrodinger wave equation to Hydrogen Atom

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} + \frac{8\pi^2 m}{h^2} \left( E + \frac{Ze^2}{r} \right) \psi = 0$$

$$E_n = - \frac{2\pi^2 m e^4 Z^2}{n^2 h^2}$$

$$E_n = - R \left[ \frac{Z^2}{n^2} \right]$$

where ,  $R = \frac{2\pi^2 m e^4}{h^2}$

R= Rydberg's constant

$$E_n = - \frac{2.17 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J per mole}}{n^2}$$

$$E_n = - \frac{1311.8}{n^2} \text{ kJmol}^{-1}$$

**Identical with Bohr equation for energy of electron in hydrogen atom**