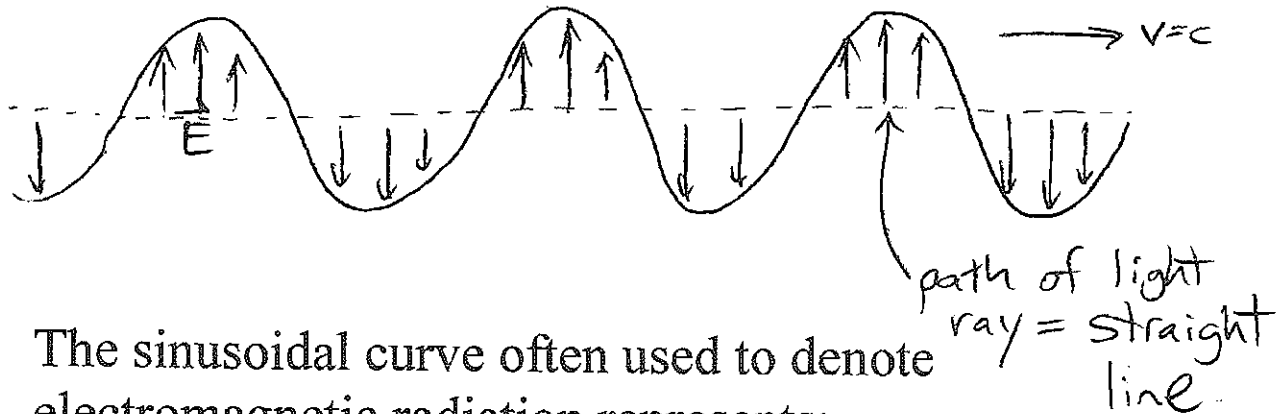
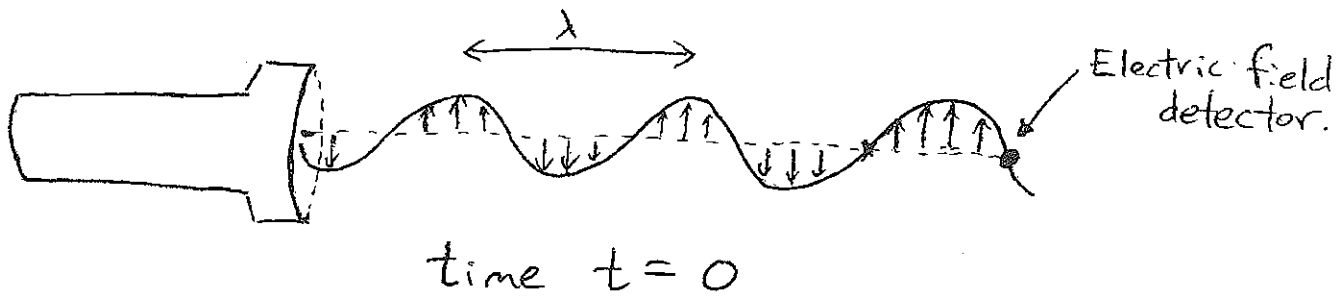


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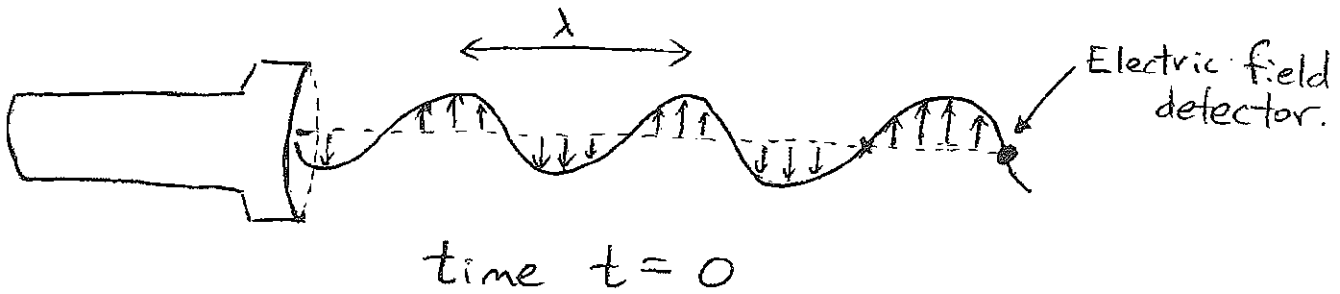
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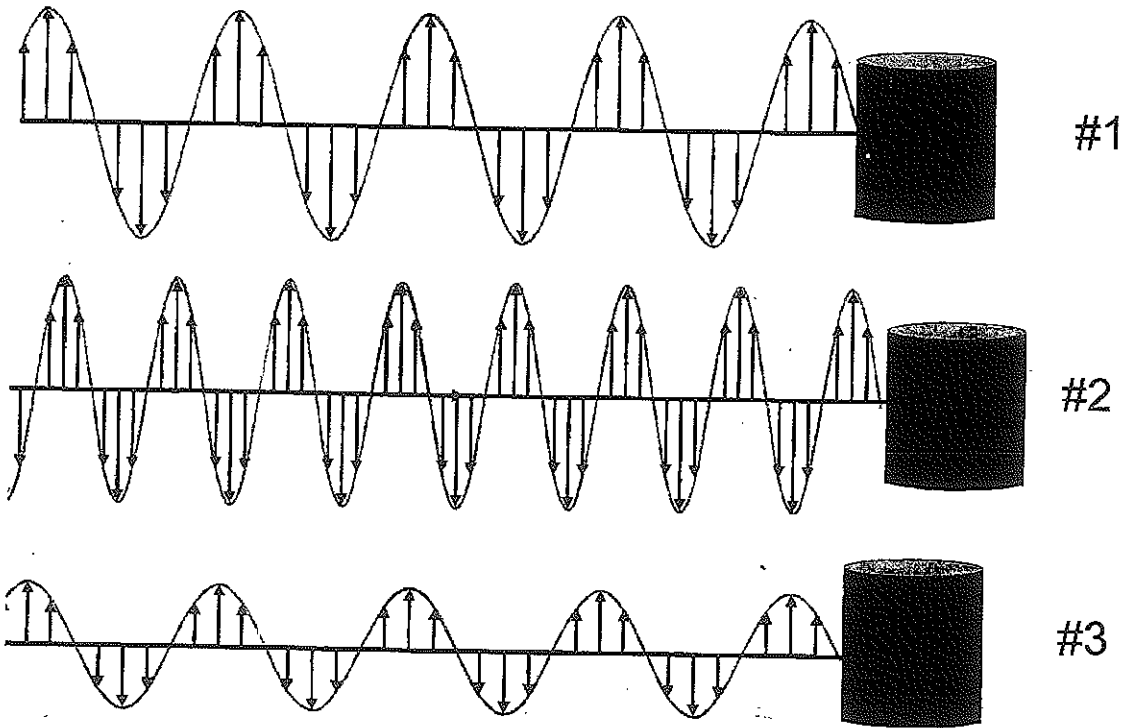
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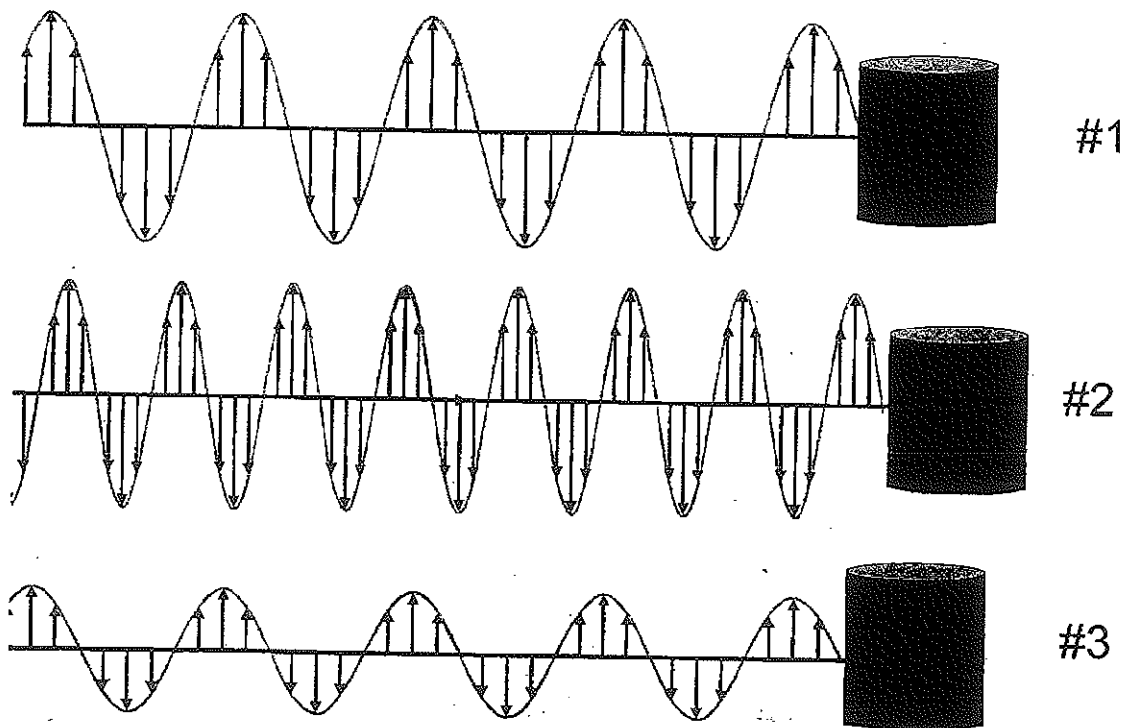
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 (prop to (amplitude)².)


Velocity same for all


∴ Amount of energy per time
 greatest for #1 and #2.

energy per photon is more for #2
 but there are less photons here.

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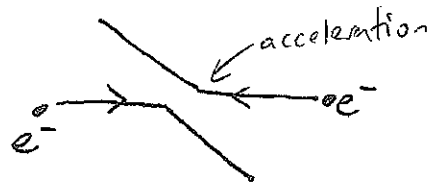
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circular motion \Rightarrow inward acceleration



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radiation
↓
atom loses energy
↓
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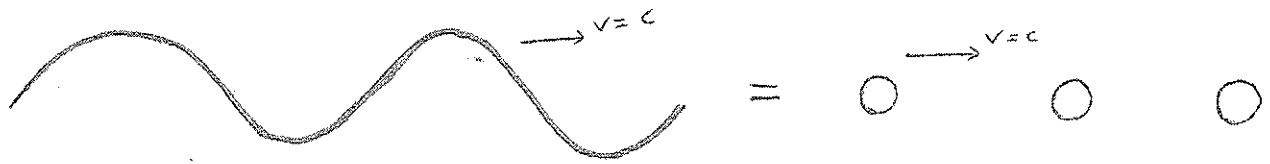
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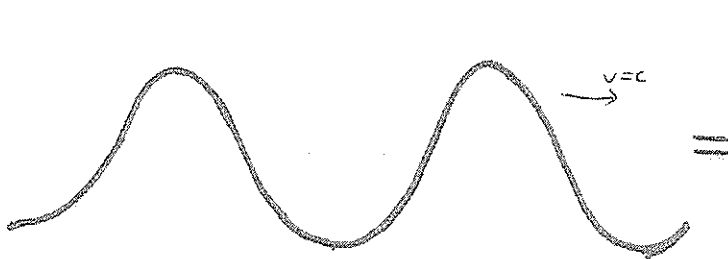
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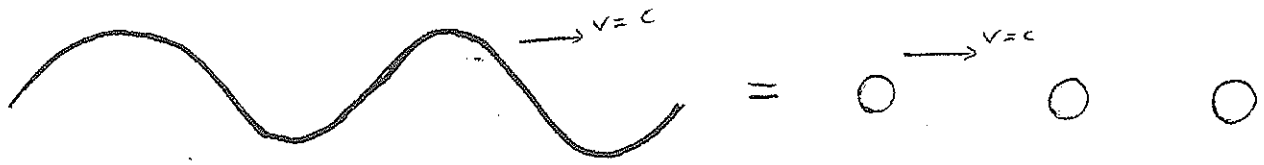
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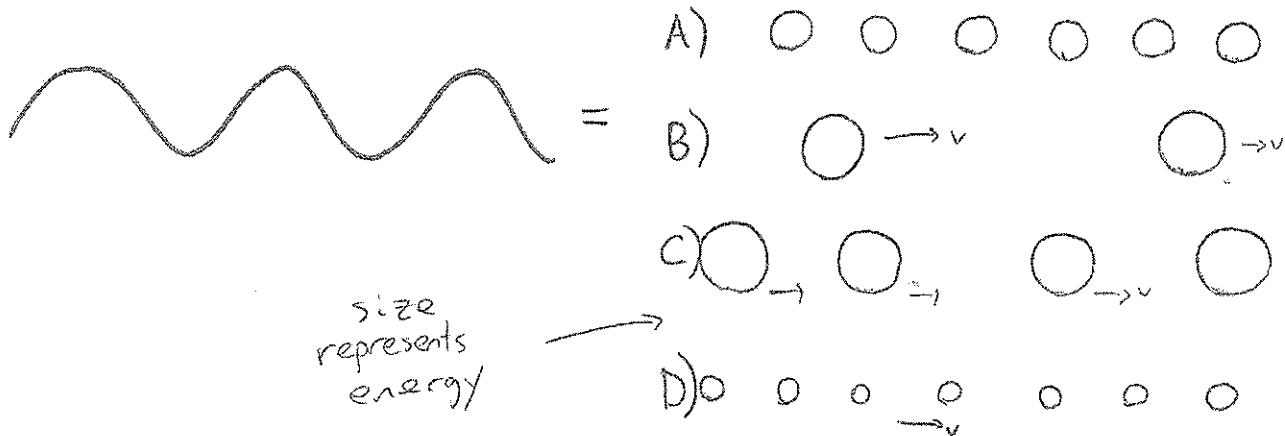
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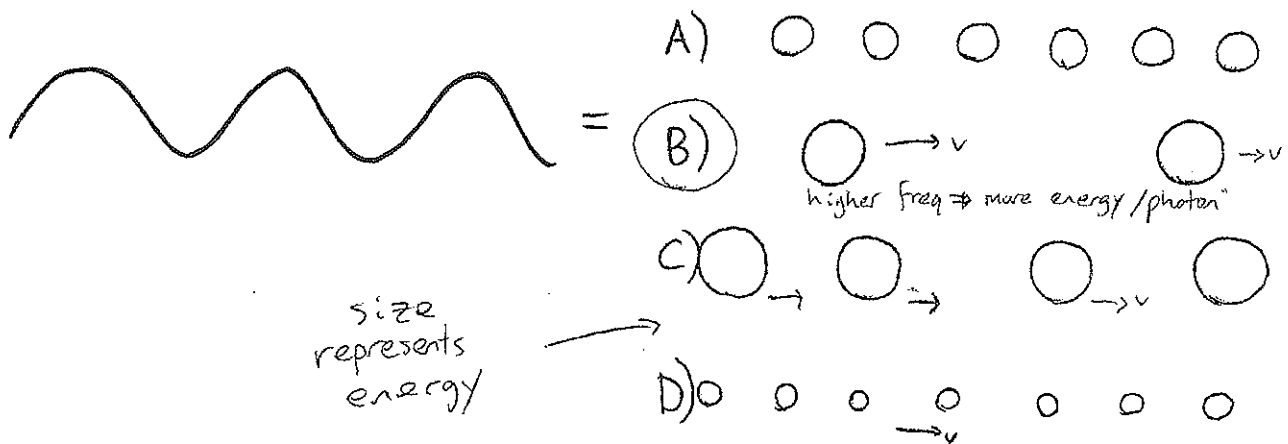


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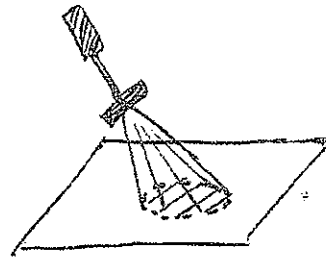
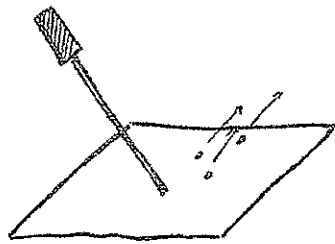




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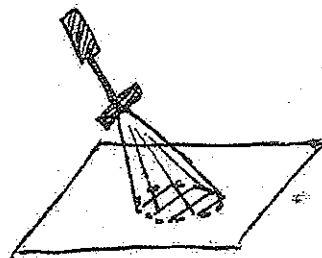
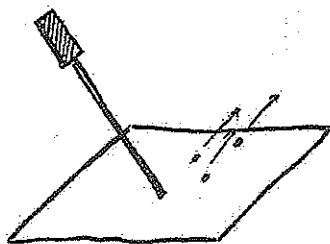


Same intensity \therefore same energy/sec \Rightarrow less photons/sec since each has more energy



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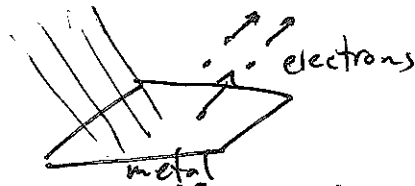
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→ # photons per second hitting metal doesn't change.
- electrons are ejected by single photons



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\therefore twice as many electrons ~~are~~ ejected per second

BUT: each photon same energy as before

\therefore electrons ejected don't have more energy than before.

In a photoelectric effect experiment:



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— some electrons are bound more tightly to metal.

~~— electron can absorb~~

— photon can spread its energy between more than one electron.

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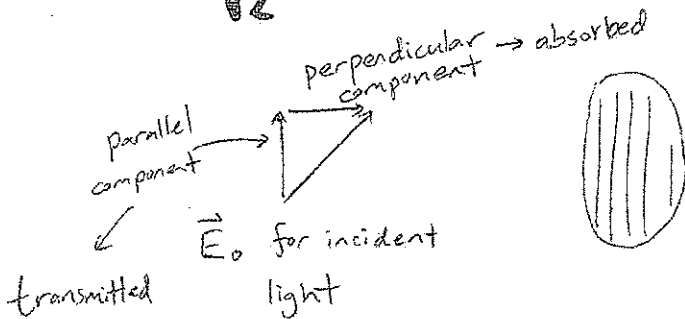
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half intensity \Rightarrow half as many photons

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this is the most likely, but all of these outcomes are possible, with some probability

→ same as flipping coin 4 times - could get 4 heads.

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→ can predict probability exactly.

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For a double slit experiment:

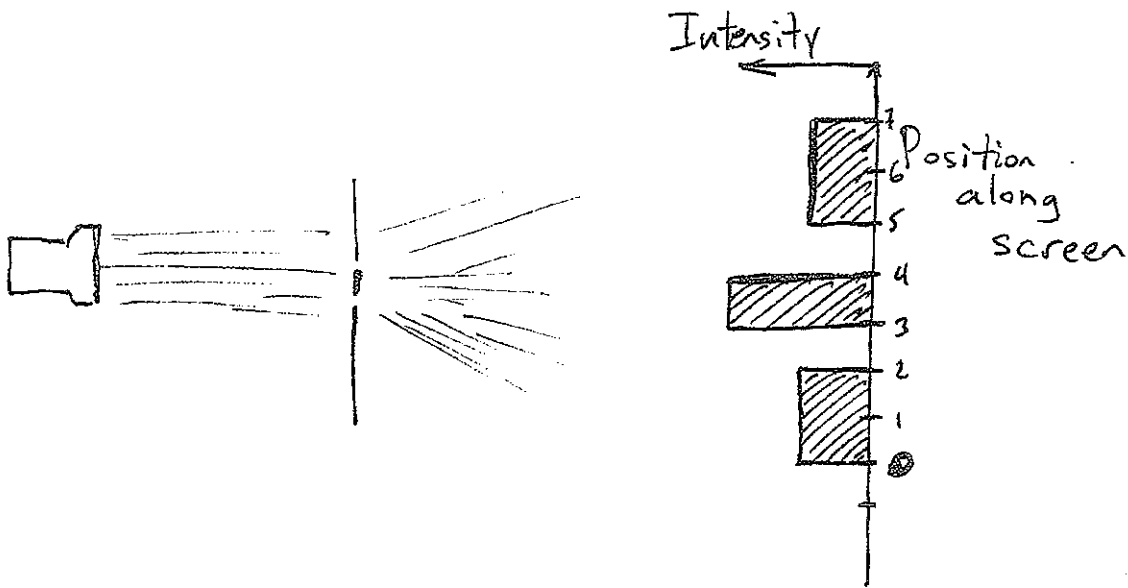
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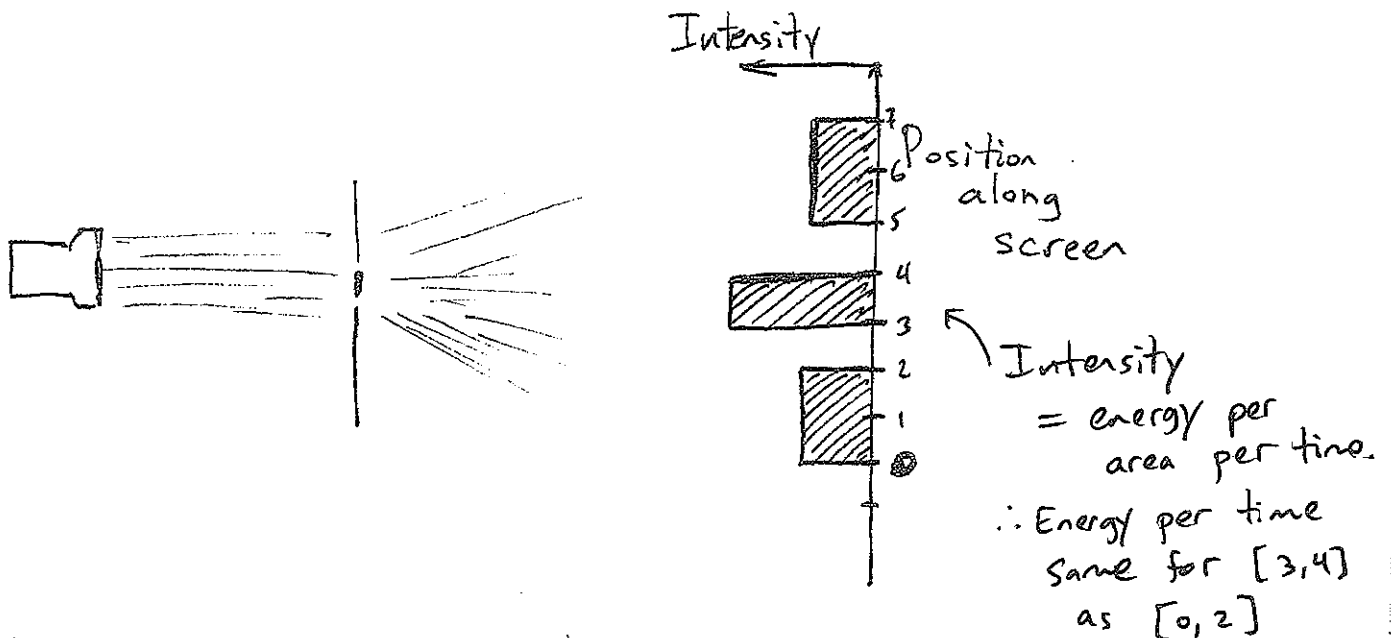
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$$\text{have: } \lambda = \frac{c}{f} = \frac{hc}{E} = \frac{h}{|\vec{p}|}$$

\therefore double momentum \Rightarrow half wavelength



$$\sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{d} \quad \therefore \theta \downarrow \quad \text{bright areas closer together.}$$

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- C) $\frac{1}{2} x_1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x_2$
- D) $\frac{1}{4} x_1 + \frac{3}{4} x_2$ → this is the average value if we did the experiment a large # of times.
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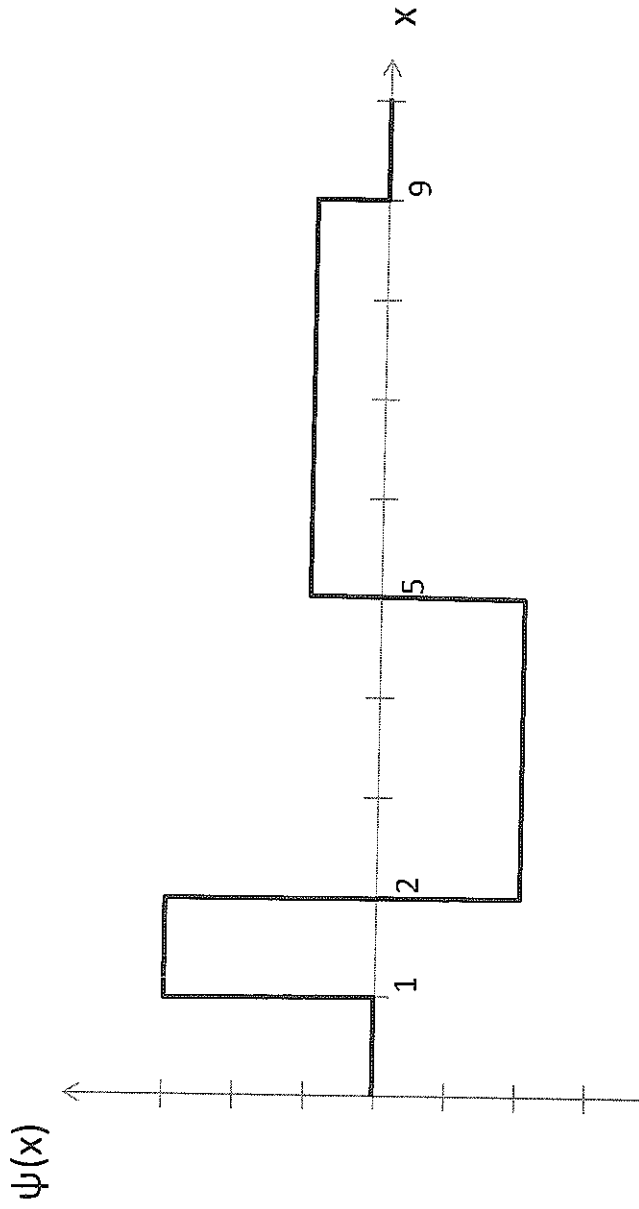
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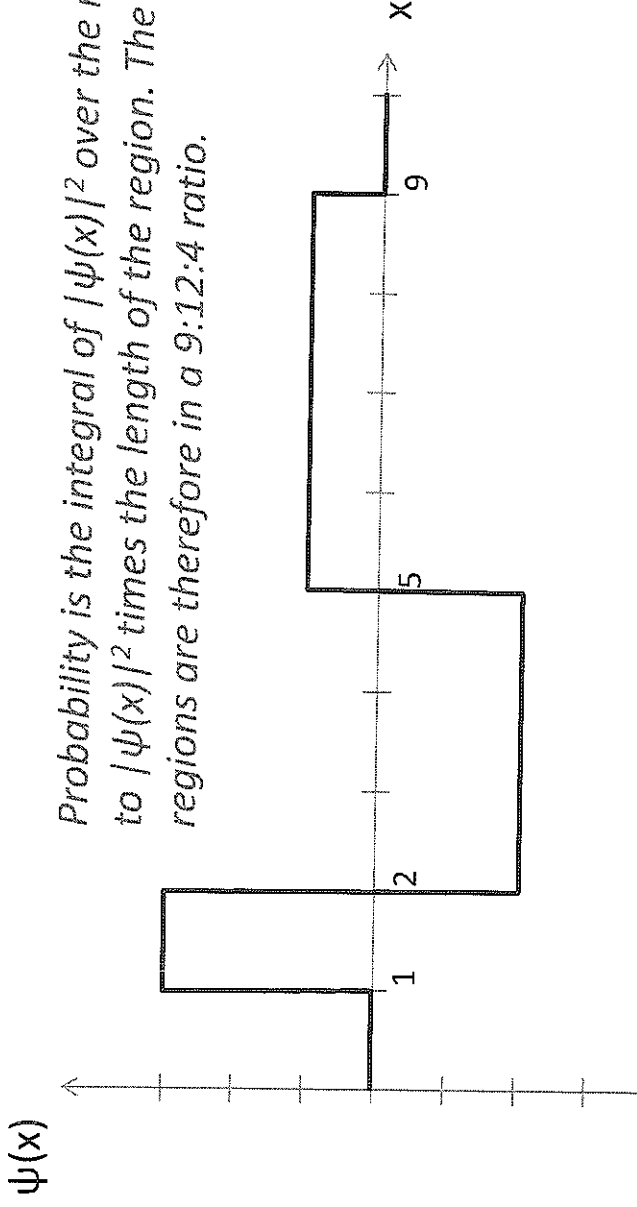
Original wavefunction → superposition of
position eigenstates.
→ position not predetermined

After measurement: know position
→ state = position eigenstate
∴ wavefunction has changed



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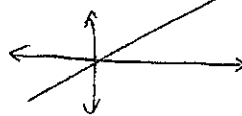
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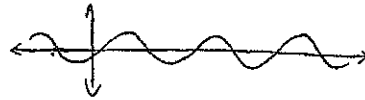
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C) $\psi(x) = \cos(x)$



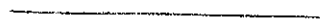
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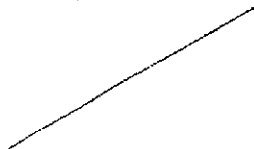
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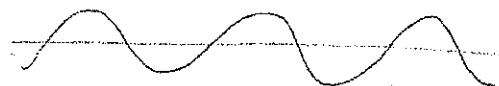
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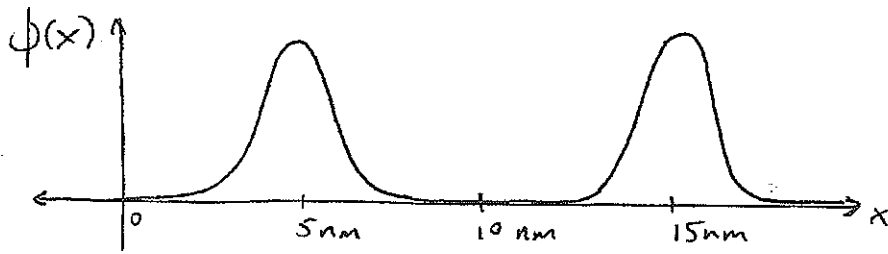
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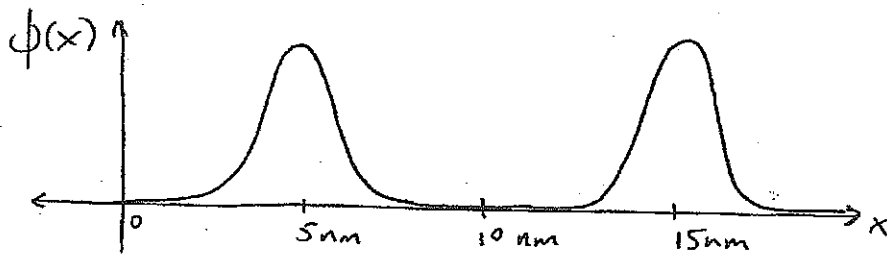
total probability
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wavefn. for
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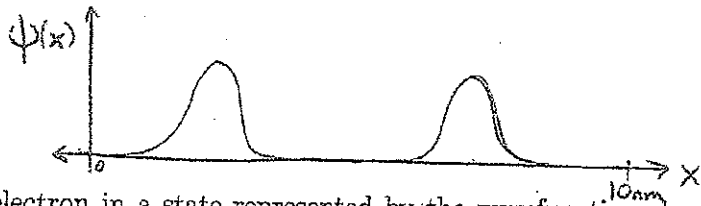
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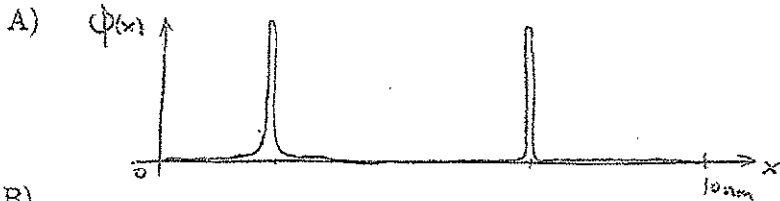
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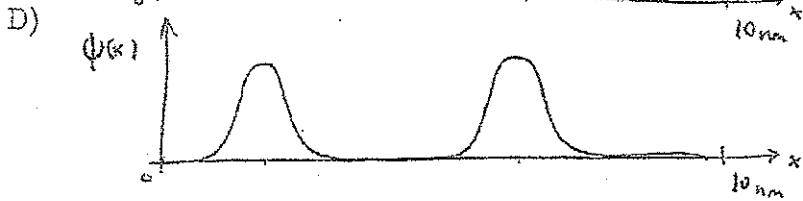
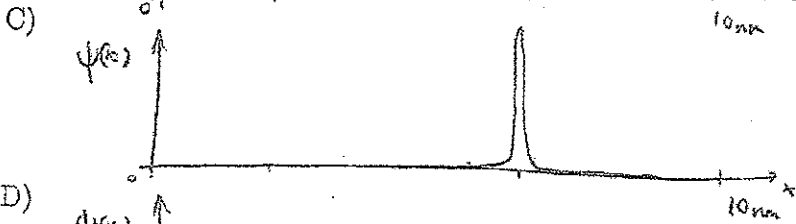
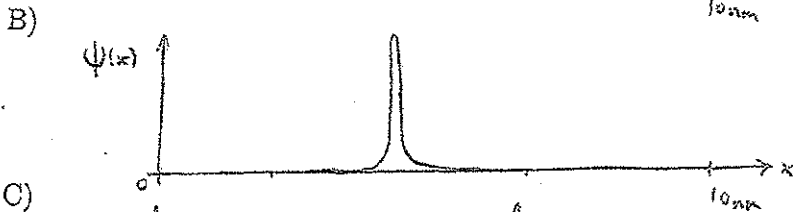
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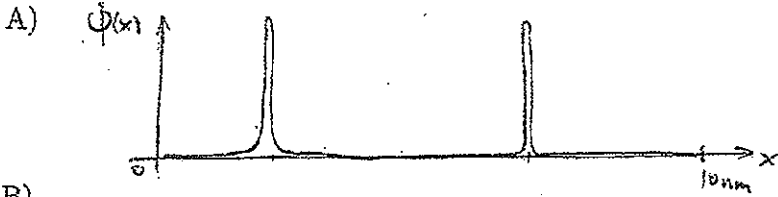
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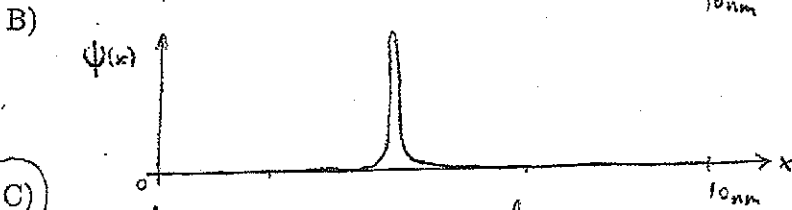
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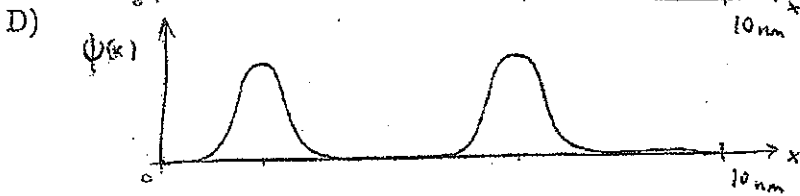


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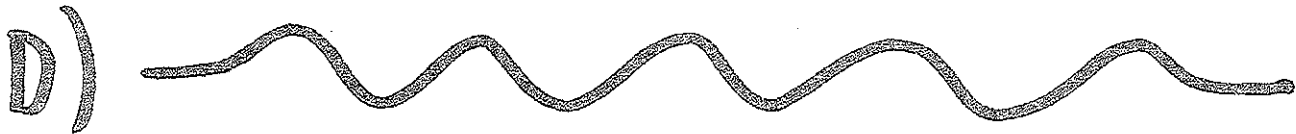
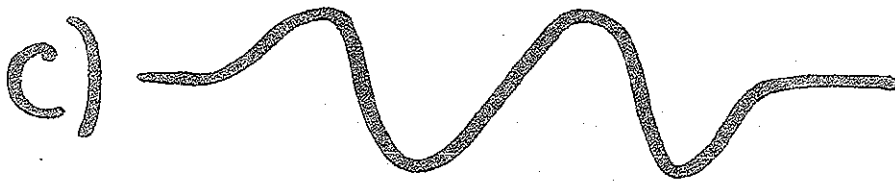
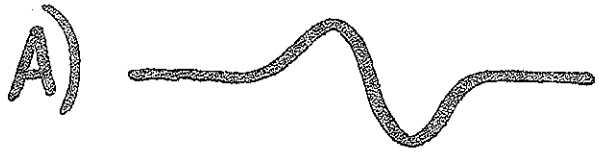
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→ becomes
position eigenstate
- original $\psi(x)$
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If we make a measurement of momentum, for which of the following electron states are we likely to find the largest value?



EXTRA: after the measurement, does the wavefunction tend to become more spread out, more localized, or stay the same?

Answer: B

Momentum is related to wavelength by h/p . The wave packet with the smallest apparent wavelength (distance between ripples) is the one for which we expect the measured momentum to be largest.

None of these wavepackets have an exactly-defined momentum, since they are not infinite pure waves, so in each case, there is a range of values that we might find. This range is larger for the narrower wavepackets and smaller for the larger wavepackets. But in this question, we care about the average (or expected) value that we'll find, so the size of the wavepacket isn't relevant.

Extra part: if we measure momentum, the state will become an (approximate) momentum eigenstates, so it should become more like a pure wave and therefore more spread out.

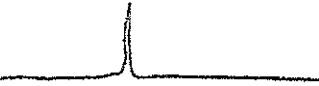
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in large range of x

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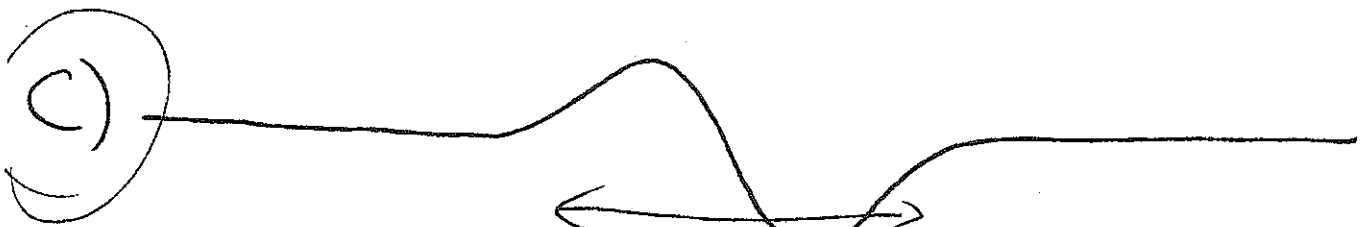
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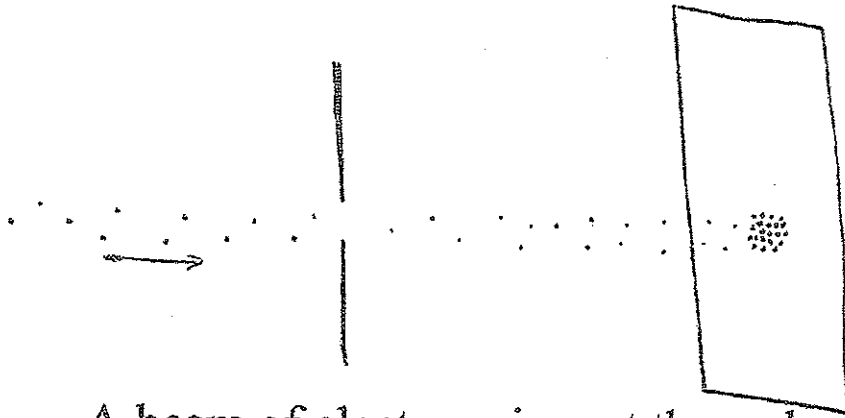
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Δx smallest for this one

$\therefore \Delta p$ largest

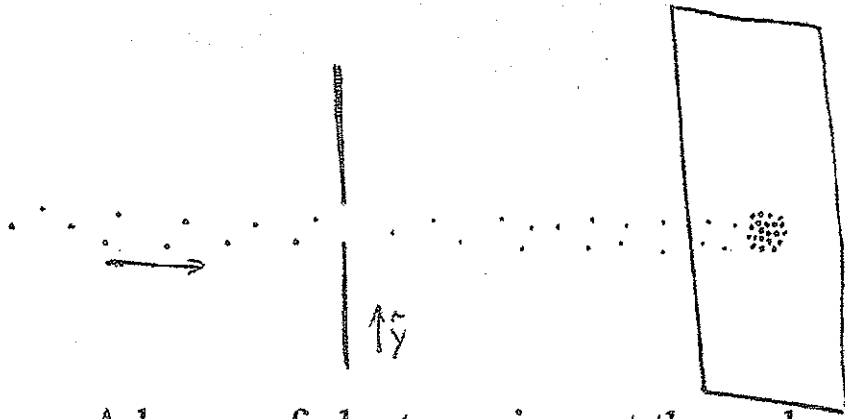
\therefore greatest range of velocities making up wavepacket.

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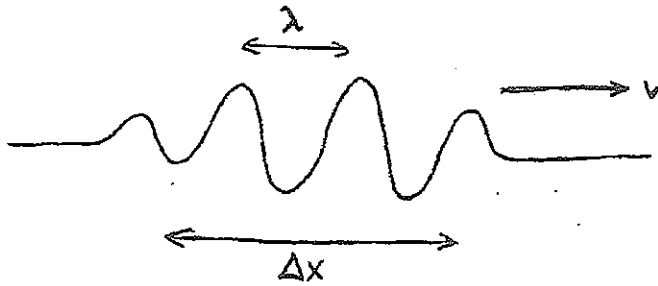
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⇒ ~~less~~ less uncertainty in
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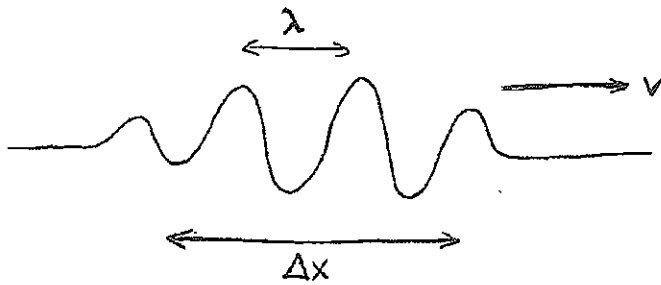
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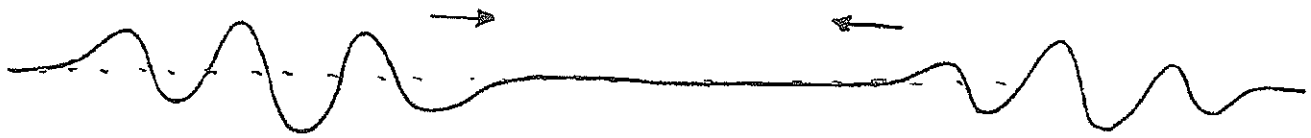
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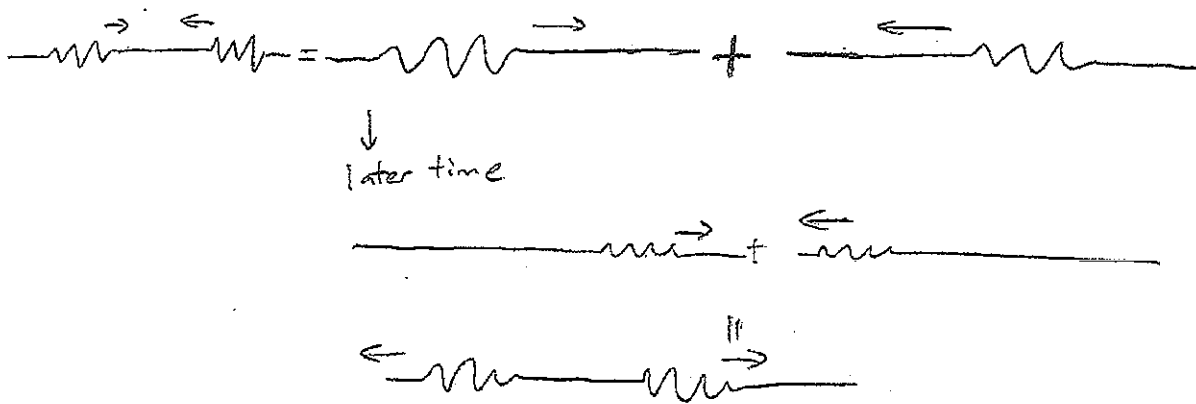
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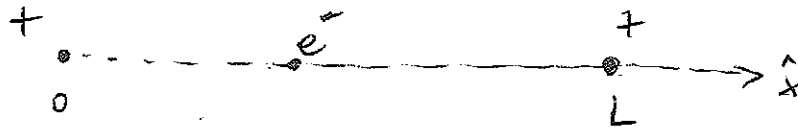
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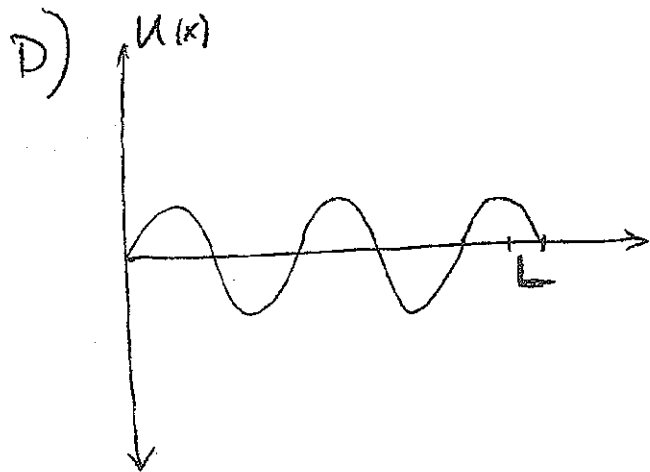
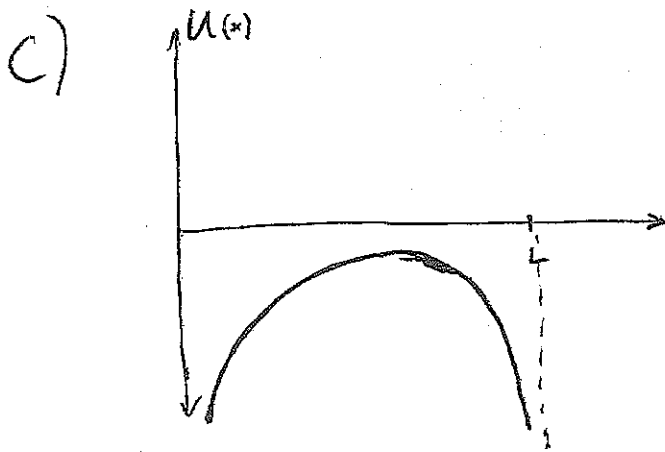
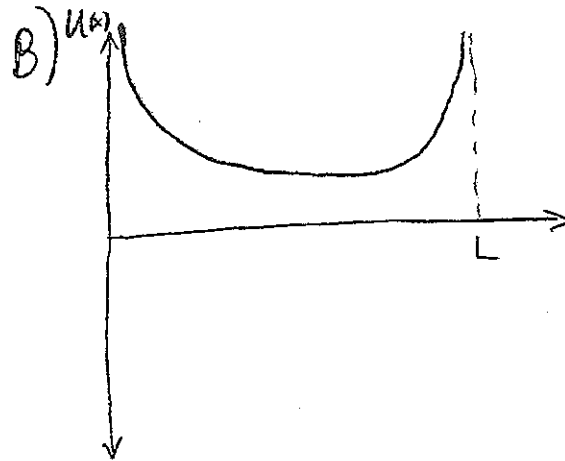
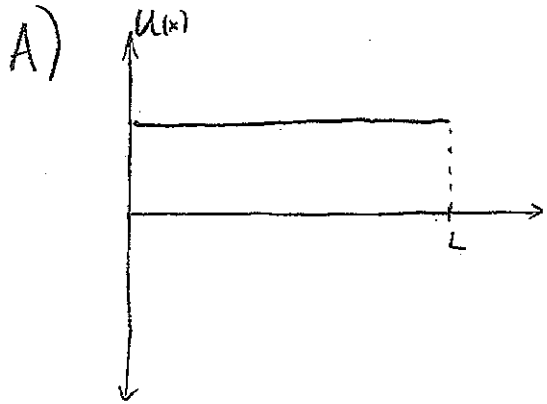
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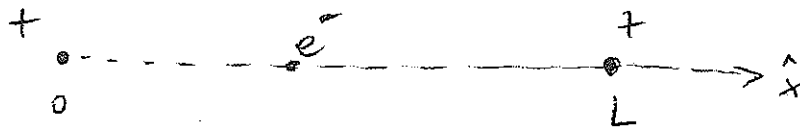
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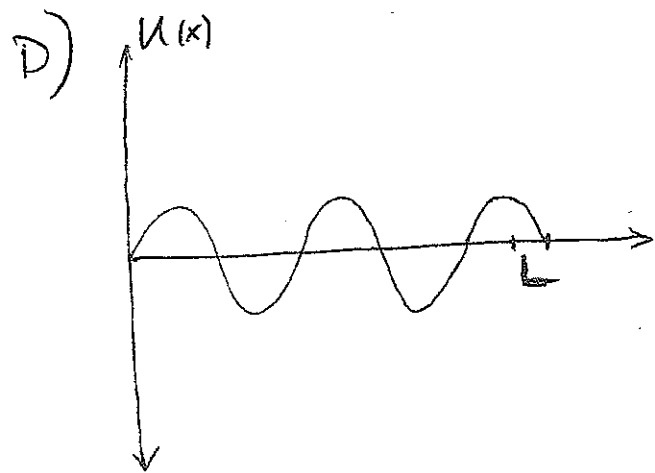
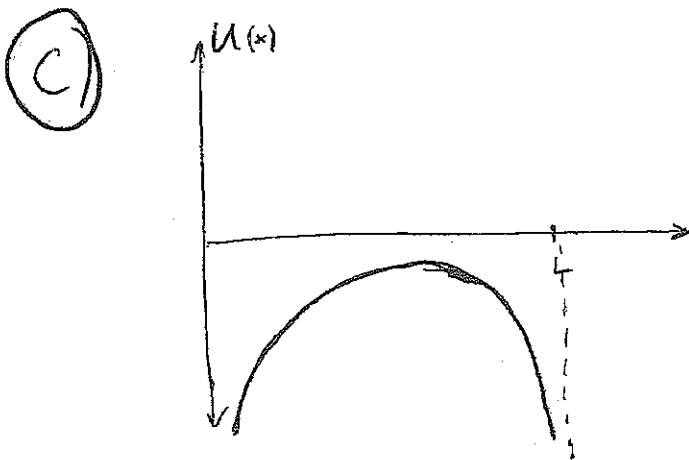
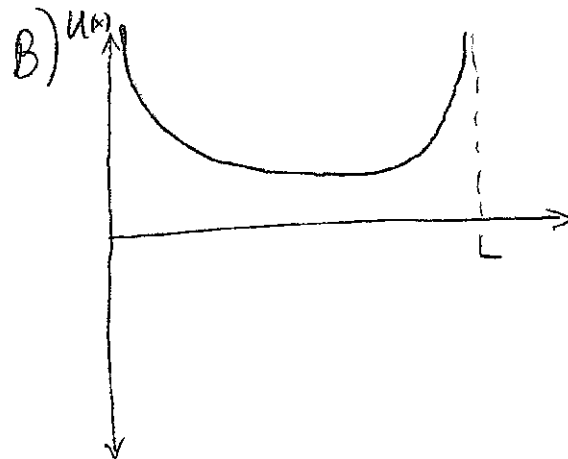
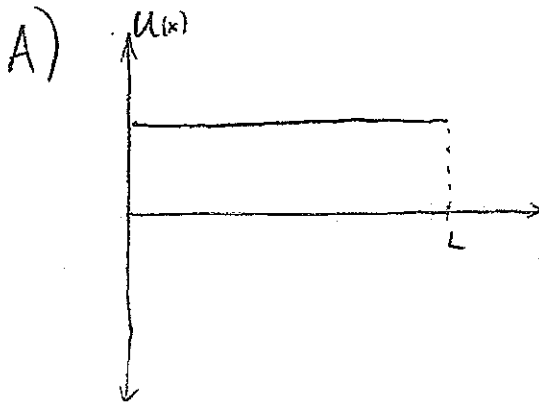


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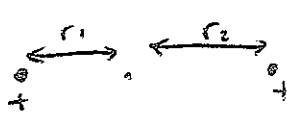


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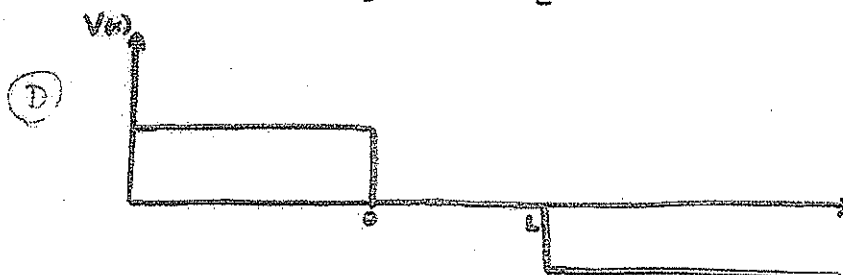
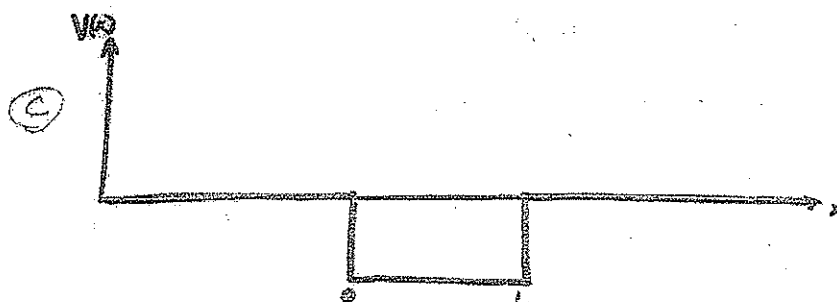
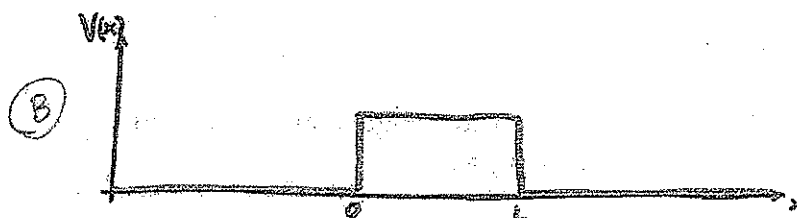
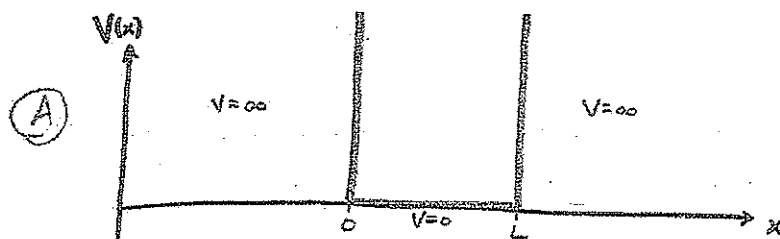
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