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"FIR Spectroscopy of Quantum Dots and Wires"

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FIR SPECTROSCOPY
OF QUANTUM DOTS AND WIRES
BREAKING KOHN'S THEOREM

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Happy Birthday

Vor 25 Jahren wurde der erste Mikroprozessor erfunden – und veränderte die Computer-Welt

Was haben der Mikroprozessor und die Imbisskette McDonalds gemeinsam? Beide feiern in diesem Jahr 25-jährigen Geburtstag. Und beide haben in diesem Vierteljahrhundert die Welt radikal verändert. Happy Birthday!



Ted Hoff, Entwickler bei Intel, hielt sich 1971 nicht an seinen Auftrag und erfand den Mikroprozessor.

Am 15. November 1971 erschien in der amerikanischen Zeitschrift „Electronic News“

die Geburtsanzeige für den ersten Mikroprozessor der Welt, den 4004. „Ein neues Zeitalter der integrierten Schaltung beginnt“, titelte Erfinder Intel damals. Den Ingenieuren des drei Jahre zuvor gegründeten Halbleiter-Herstellers war es gelungen, auf einem einzigen Element („Chip“) Recheneinheit, Befehlsdecoder sowie Ein- und Ausgabe-Baustein zusammenzufassen. Die „Central Processing Unit“ (CPU) war geboren. Vorher gab es nur getrennte Bausteine, die erst auf Leiterplatten miteinander verbunden wurden.

Allerdings hatten die Ingenieure 1971 wohl noch keine Vorstellung davon, wie radikal die Umwälzungen durch den neuen Mikroprozessor werden würden. Kaum ein



Foto: Intel

Der Pentium-Prozessor:

Er ist nur noch so groß wie ein Daumennagel.

Gerät, in dem die kleinen Alleskönner heute nicht vertreten sind: vom Musikchip in der Glückwunschkarte über Spielzeug und Waschmaschine bis hin zum Space Shuttle.

Dabei hatten die Väter des Mikrocomputers eigentlich etwas ganz anderes im Kopf gehabt. Der japanische Büromaschinen-Hersteller Busicom hatte Intel beauftragt, einen zwölffelligen Chipsatz für eine programmierbare

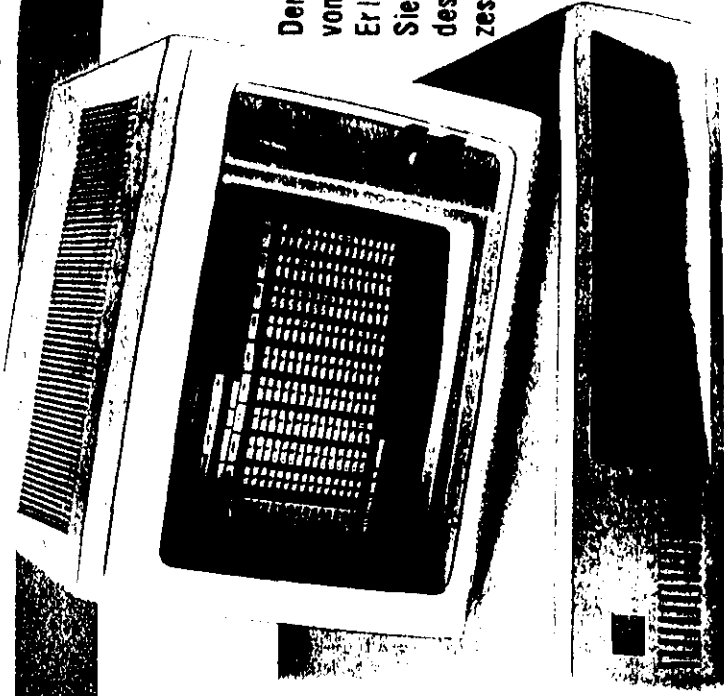
Rechenmaschine zu entwickeln. Verantwortlich dafür war Ted Hoff in der Entwicklungsabteilung.

Aber der junge Ingenieur wollte sich nicht an die Vorgaben von Busicom halten. Er war sich sicher, daß die Aufgabe mit einem einzigen programmierbaren Allround-Chip zu lösen sein müßte. Genau neun Monate ent-

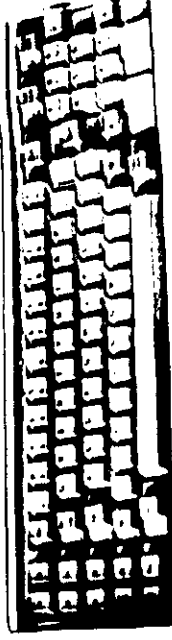
aus dem Jahr 1940 18 000 Röhren füllten einen ganzen Raum mit Starkstrom.

Ganze 60 000 Dollar für die Entwicklung und sein Team entsetzt, als sie erfuhr, daß die fertige Rechenmaschine auch die Design verkauft werden. Denn sie war

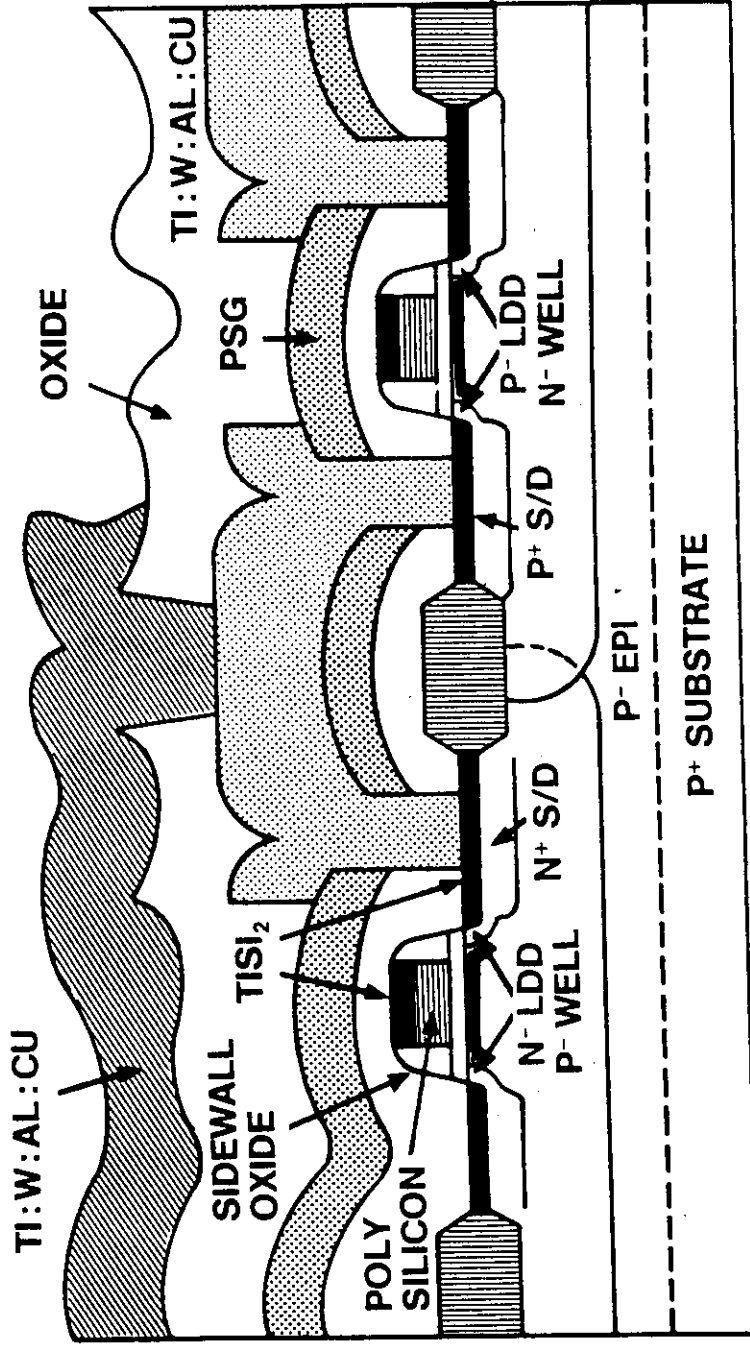
Der von Erle Siegf des zess



IBM



EPIC™ Prozeß



Der EPIC™-Prozeß wird für die Herstellung von ACL-Bausteinen herangezogen (ACL = Advanced CMOS Logic). Er zeigt viele Vorteile:

- Bewährte DRAM-Prozeß-Technologie für Massenproduktion
- 1,0 μ effektive Gatlänge für sub-ns interne Laufzeiten
- P/P + Epitaxie Substrat zur Latch-up-Unterdrückung
- Twin-well-Struktur für hohe Packungsdichte der zukünftigen LSI/VLSI-Produkte
- Titansilicid zur Verminderung interner Bahnwiderstände ergibt minimale Verzögerungszeit
- Kupfer-dotiertes Aluminium auf Ti/W zur Vermeidung von Elektromigration und für bessere Gesamtzuverlässigkeit
- Sidewall Oxide-Prozeß ergibt sowohl kleinste Gate-Source/Gate-Drain-Kapazitäten für maximale Geschwindigkeit als auch die LDD-Struktur für die Unterdrückung der „hot-carrier“ $\rightarrow$ verbesserte Zuverlässigkeit

EPIC = Enhanced Performance Implanted CMOS

TM = Trademark of Texas Instruments Incorporated

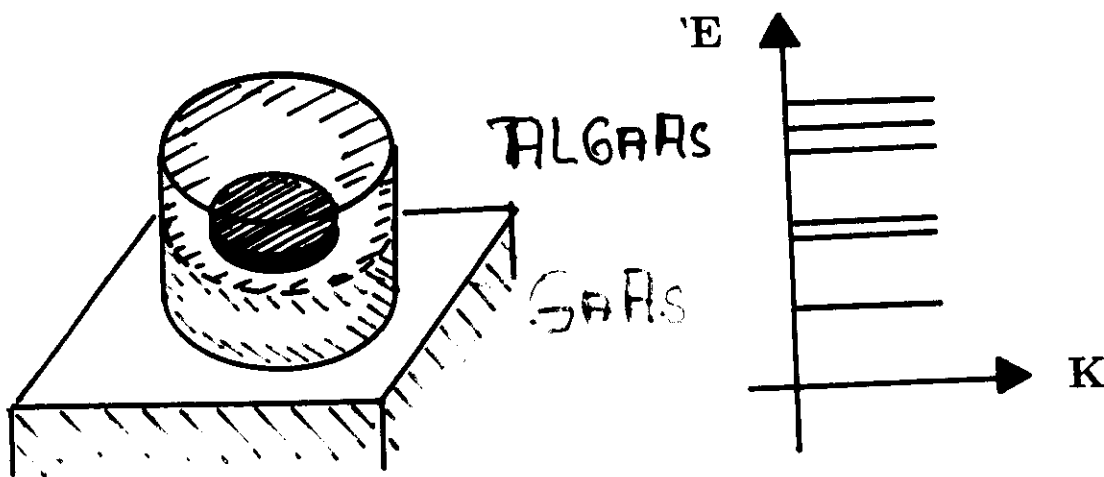
Semiconductor Industry						
Year of First DRAM shipment	1985	1988	1991	2004	2007	2010
Minimum feature (μm)	0.35	0.5	0.18	0.13	0.10	0.07
Memory						
• Microchip (DRAM/Flash)	64M	256M	1G	4G	16G	64G
• cost/bit @ volume (millicents)	0.017	0.007	0.003	0.001	0.0005	0.0002
Logic (High Volume: Microprocessor)						
• logic transistor/ cm^2 (packed)	4M	7M	12M	25M	50M	90M
• bit/ cm^2 (cache SRAM)	2M	6M	20M	50M	100M	300M
• cost/transistor @ volume (mc)	1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.05	0.02
Logic (Low Volume: ASIC)						
• transistors/ cm^2 (auto layout)	2M	4M	7M	12M	25M	40M
• non-recurring engineering cost/transistor (millicents)	0.3	0.1	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.01

QUANTUM CONFINED MICROSTRUCTURED SEMICONDUCTOR SYSTEMS

2D: QUANTUM WELLS, HETEROSTRUCTURES

1D: QUANTUM WIRES

0D: QUANTUM DOTS

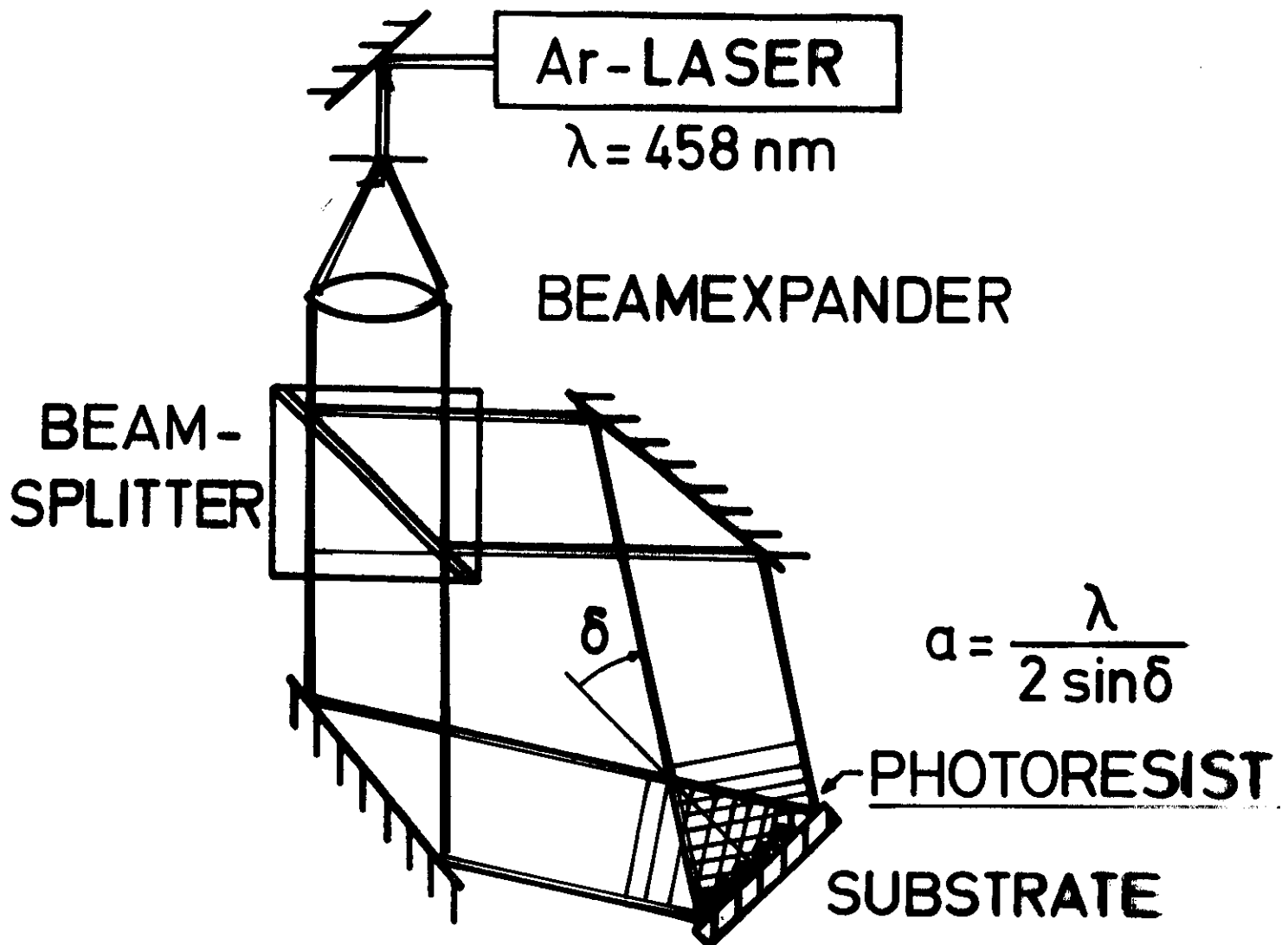


DISCRETE ENERGY LEVELS
" QUANTUM-DOT ATOMS"
LIMITS ?

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Holographic Lithography

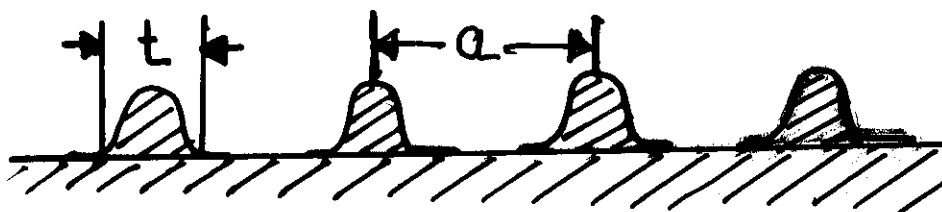
fabrication of photoresist gratings with small periodicities on the top of the sample



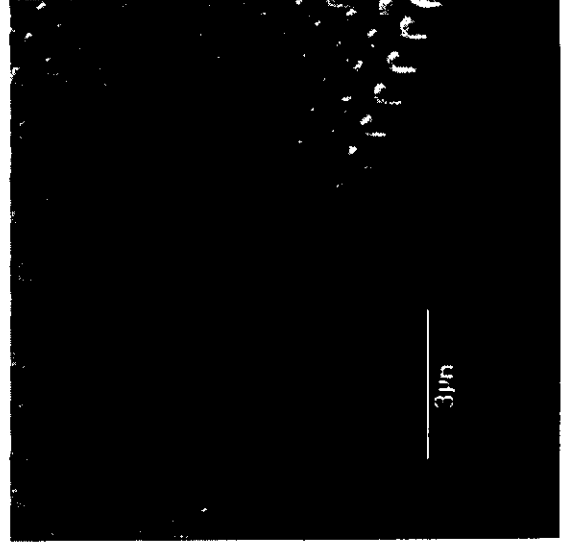
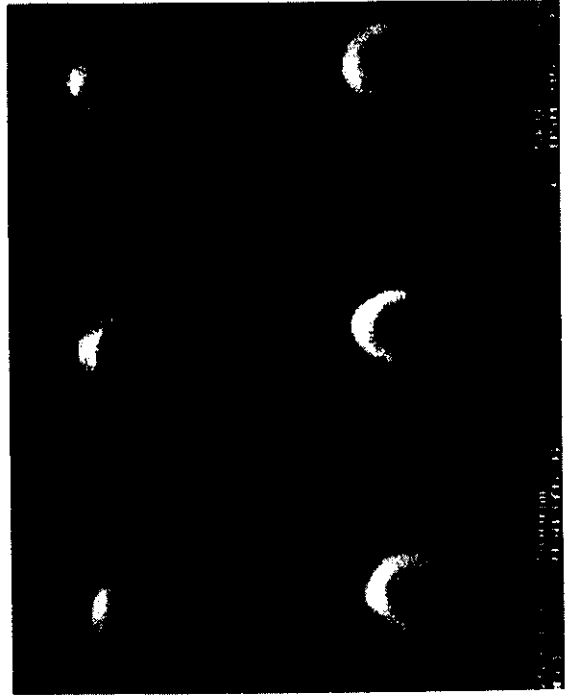
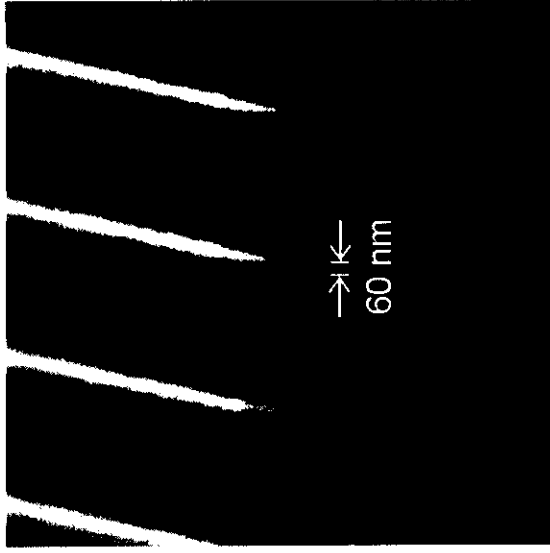
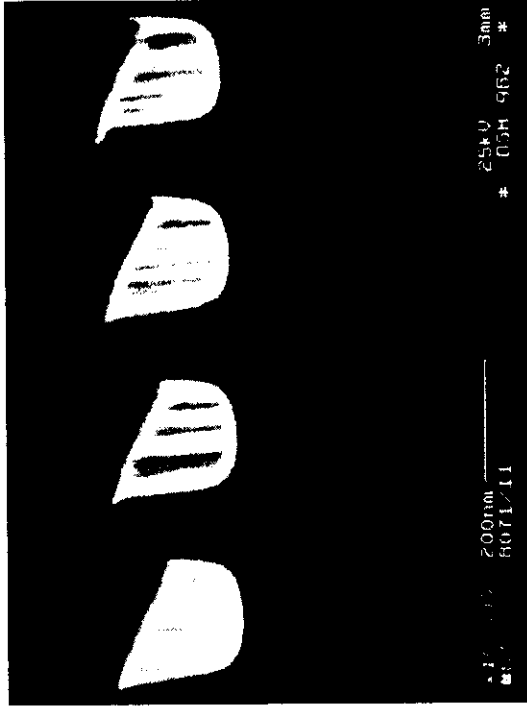
periodicity: $a = \frac{\lambda}{2 \sin \delta}$

$\lambda = 458 \text{ nm} \Rightarrow a = 230 \text{ nm}$

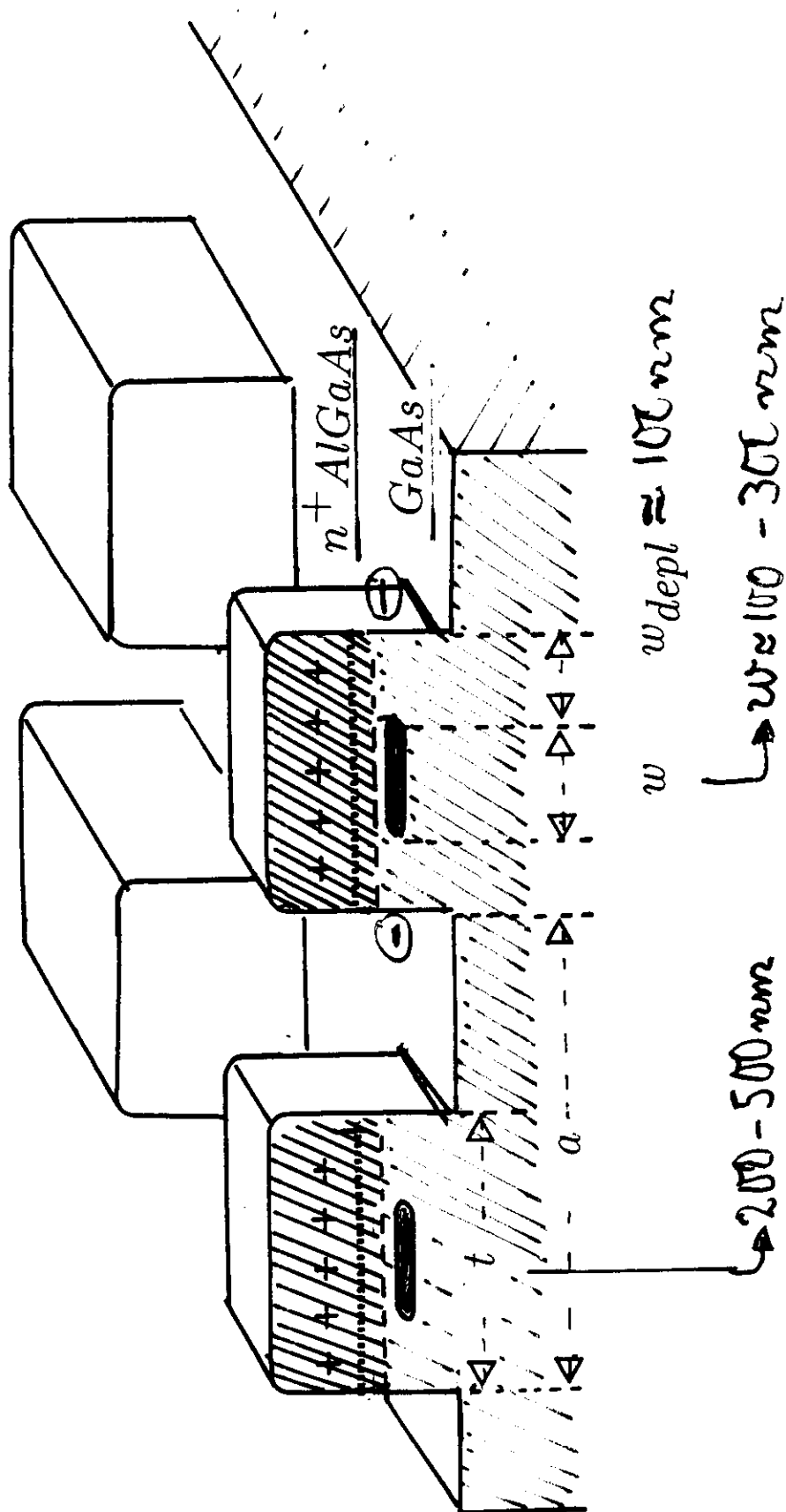
$n = 1.5 \Rightarrow a = 160 \text{ nm}$



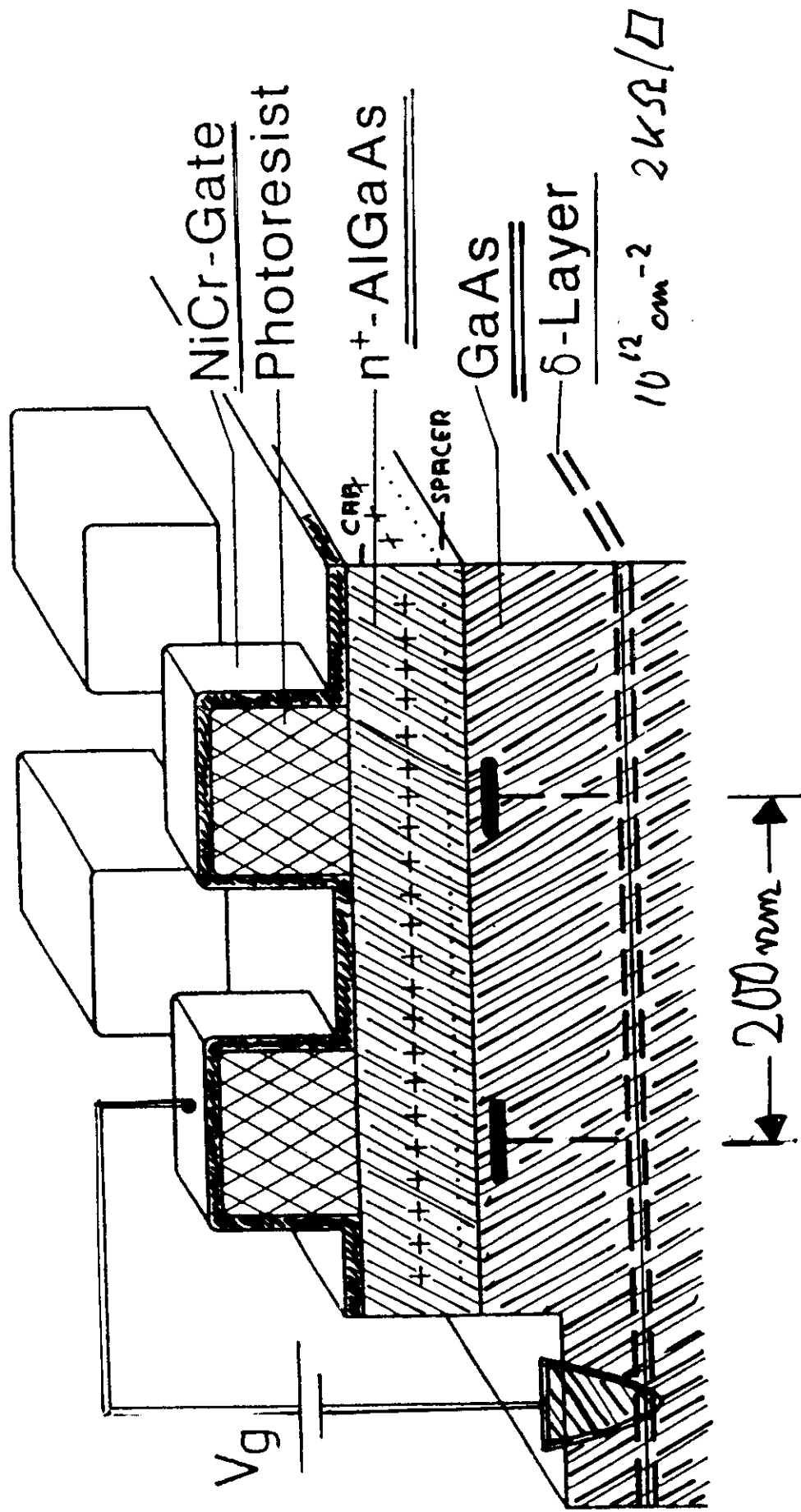
SEM pictures of deep-etched structures



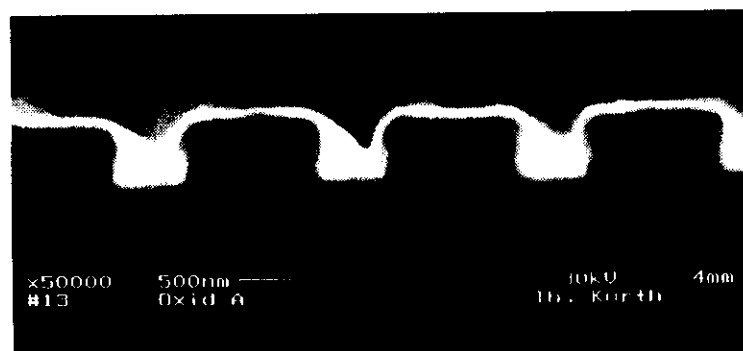
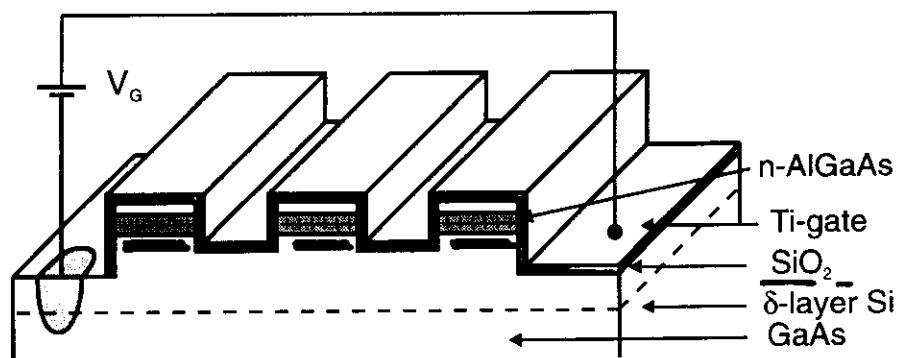
DEEP-MESA-ETCHED QUANTUM DOTS



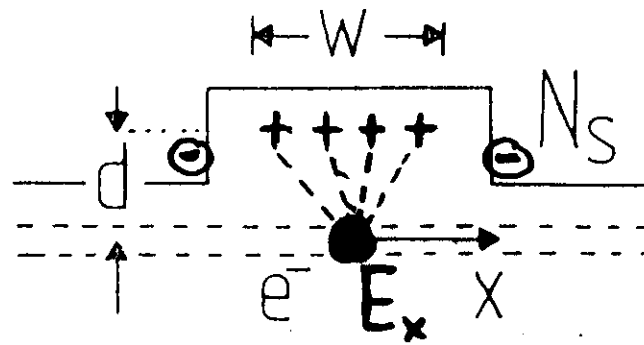
FIELD-EFFECT CONFINED QUANTUM DOTS



DEEP-MESA-ETCHED QUANTUM WIRES WITH TOP- AND SIDEGATE



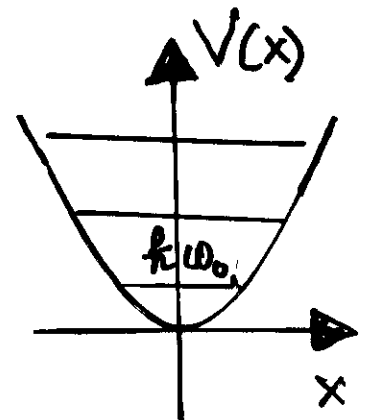
CONFINEMENT IN ETCHED MICROSTRUCTURES



$$\vec{F}_x = e\vec{E}_x \propto x$$

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2}m^*\omega_0^2x^2$$

PARABOLIC CONFINEMENT

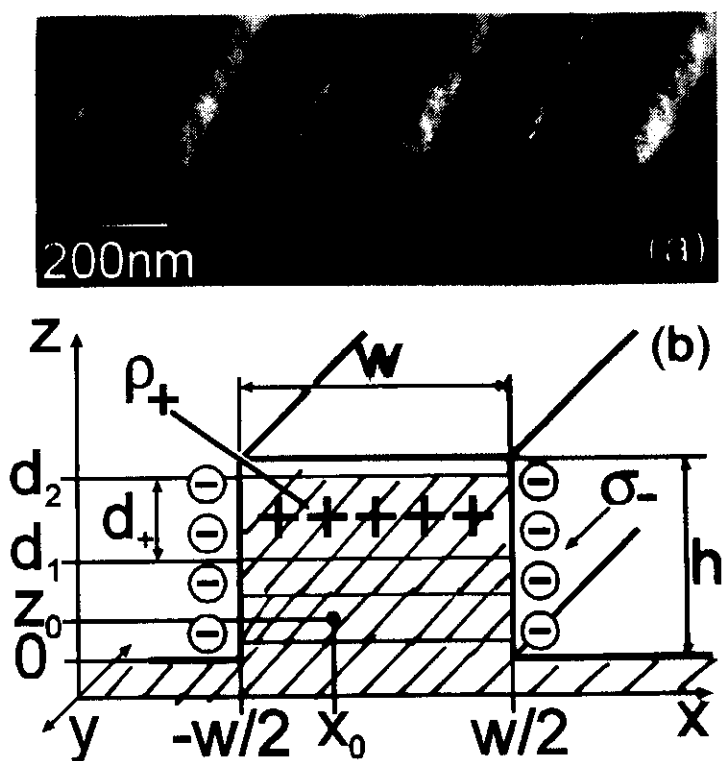


$$\underline{\underline{\omega_0^2}} \approx \frac{N_s e^2}{2\pi\epsilon_e f\epsilon_0 m^*} \frac{w}{w^2 + d^2}$$

EIGENFREQUENCY

EXTERNAL POTENTIAL

MODEL CALCULATIONS FOR
DEEP-MESA-ETCHED QUANTUM WIRES

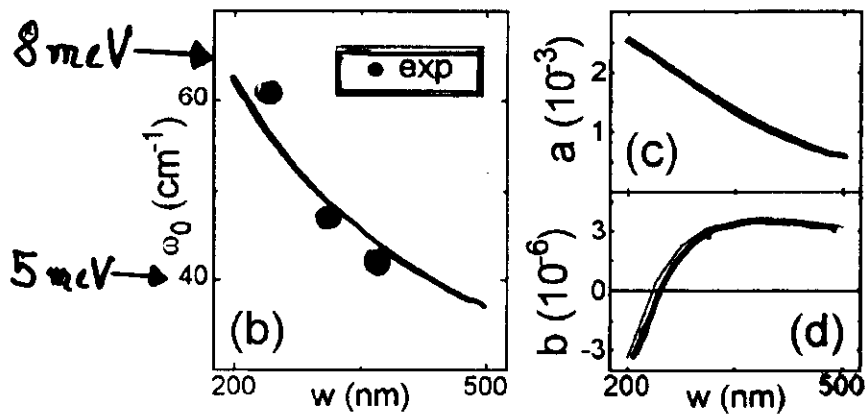
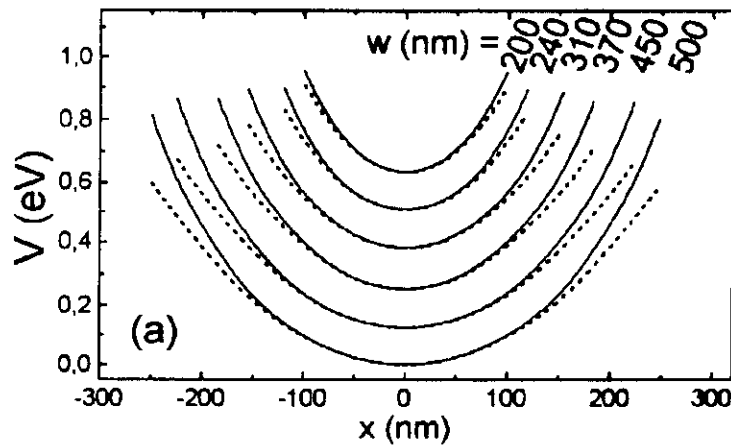


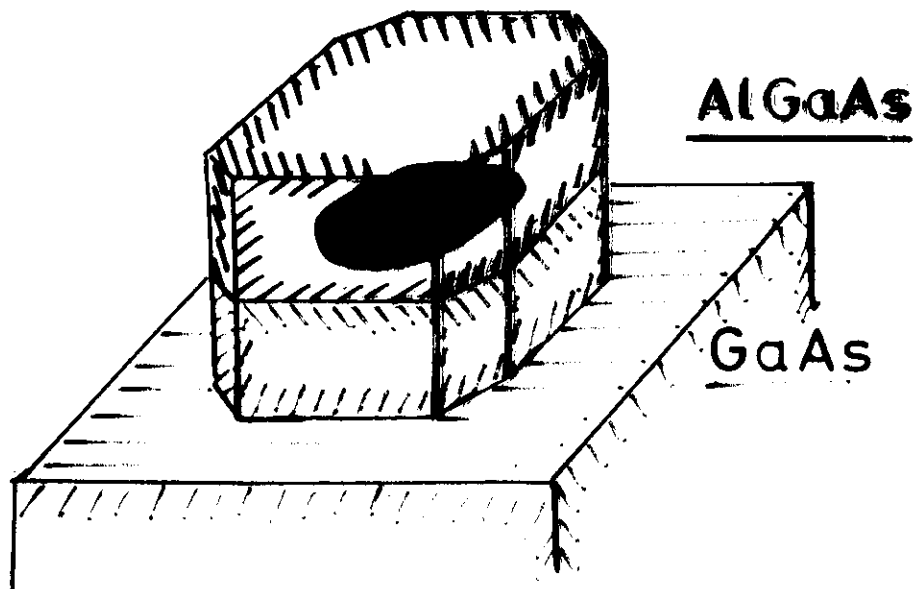
S. Riege et al APL 70, 111 (97)

ELECTROSTATIC CALCULATION OF THE EXTERNAL POTENTIAL

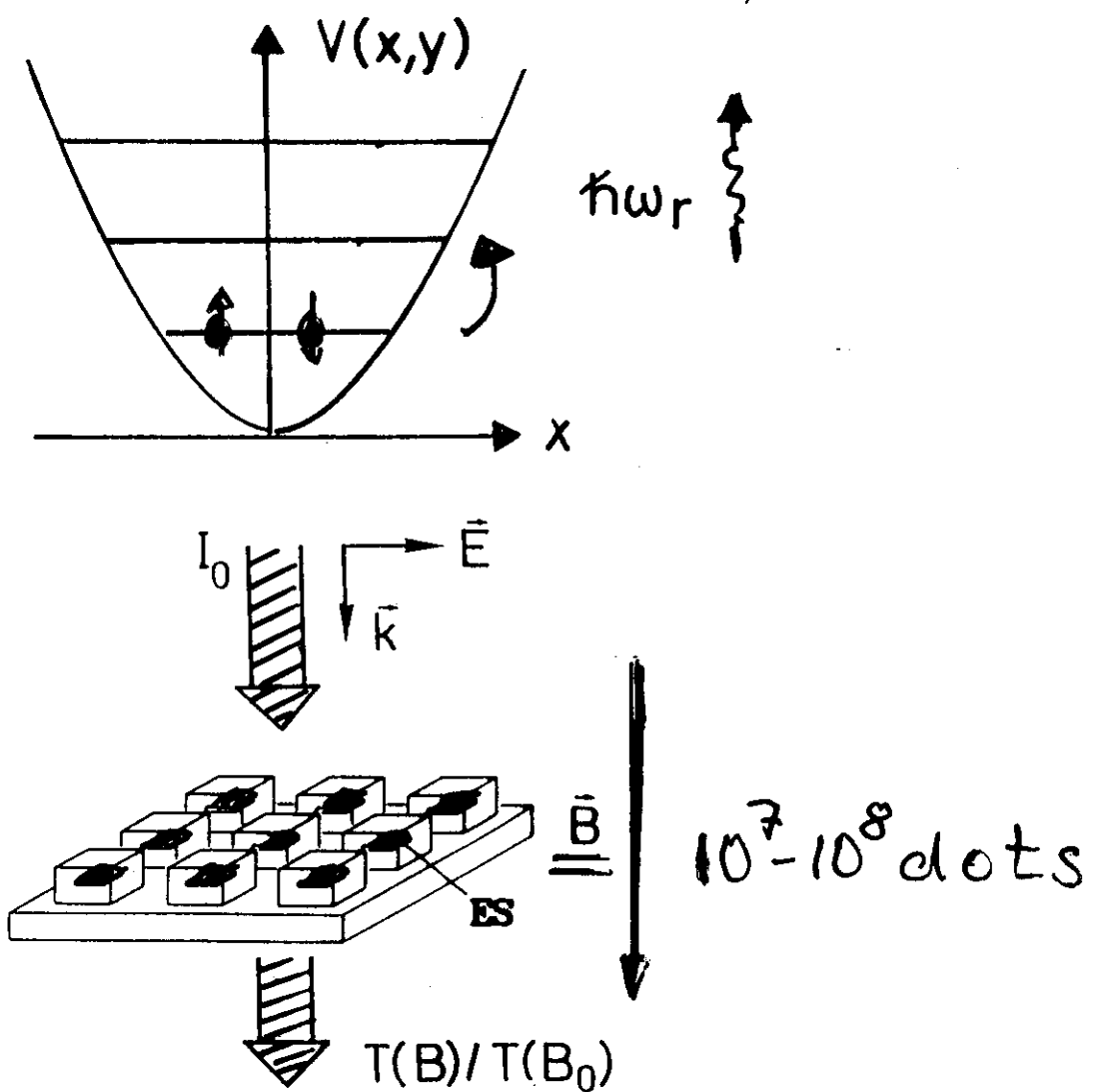
APPROXIMATION BY A POTENTIAL:

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega_0 \left(\left(\frac{x}{l_0} \right)^2 + \underline{a} \left(\frac{x}{l_0} \right)^4 + \underline{b} \left(\frac{x}{l_0} \right)^6 \right)$$

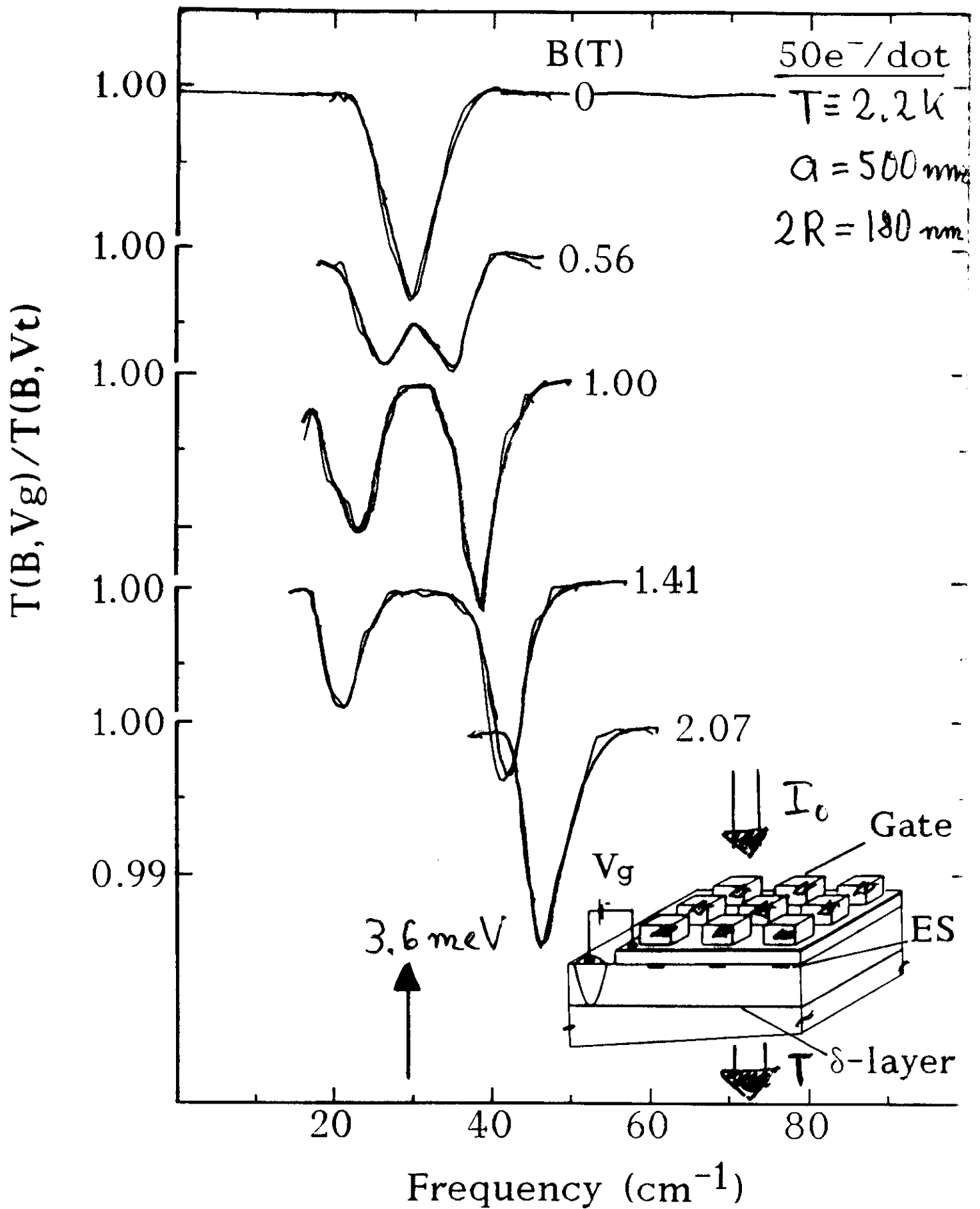




FIR SPECTROSCOPY

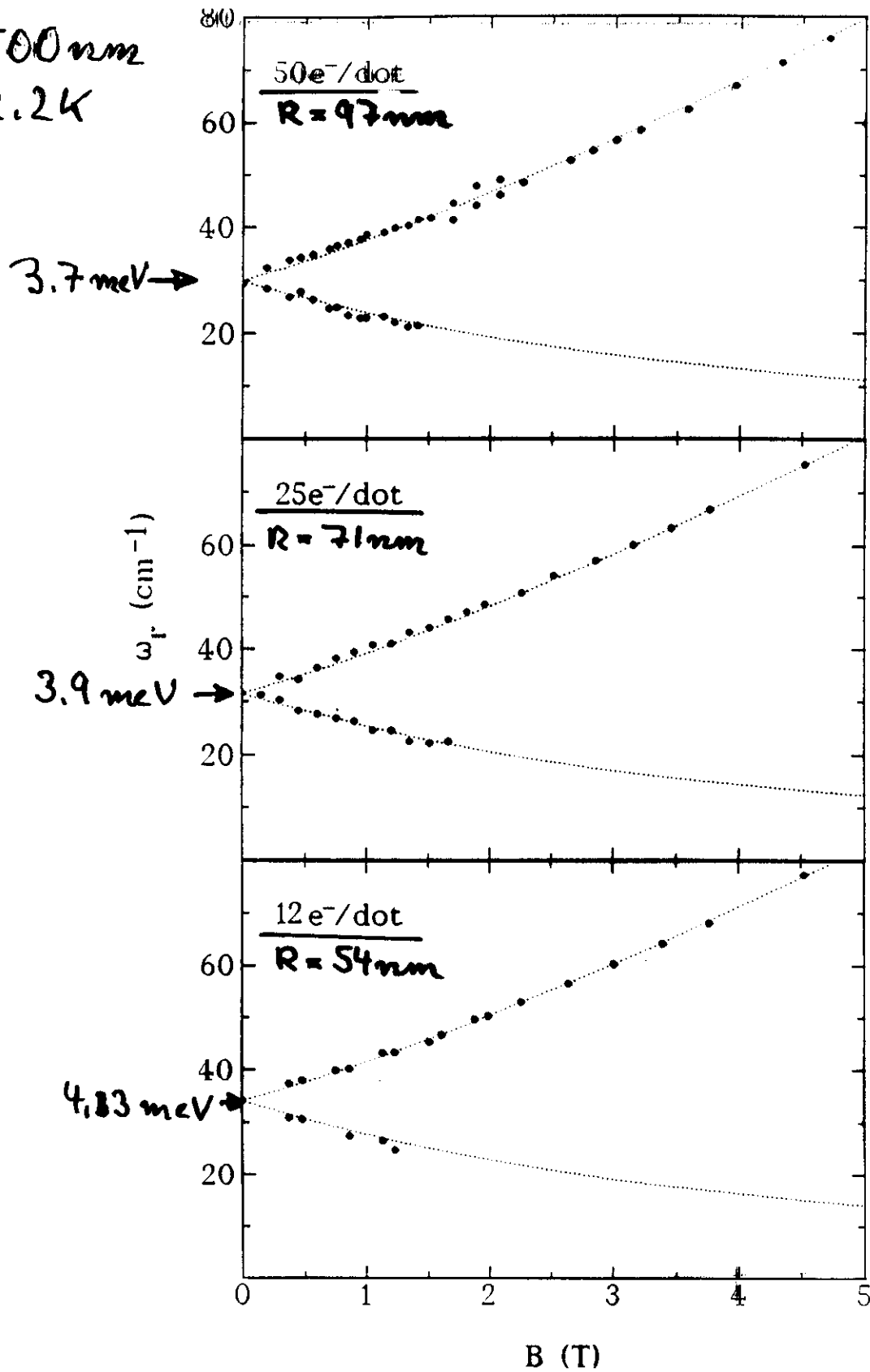


FIR RESPONSE OF
FIELD-EFFECT CONFINED QUANTUM DOTS
IN A MAGNETIC FIELD



DISPERSSION OF THE RESONANCE FREQUENCY IN FIELD-EFFECT CONFINED QUANTUM DOTS

$a = 500 \text{ nm}$
 $T = 2.2 \text{ K}$



3D: Allen et al
 MSB: Sil'kovsky + Herve

ATOM-LIKE BEHAVIOR: SINGLE-PARTICLE ASPECTS

ONE ELECTRON IN A PARABOLIC CONFINEMENT

$$H(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) = \frac{1}{2m^*} [\vec{p} + \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}(\vec{r})]^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^* \Omega_0^2 r^2$$

$\Omega_0 = \text{confinement energy}$

SOLUTION

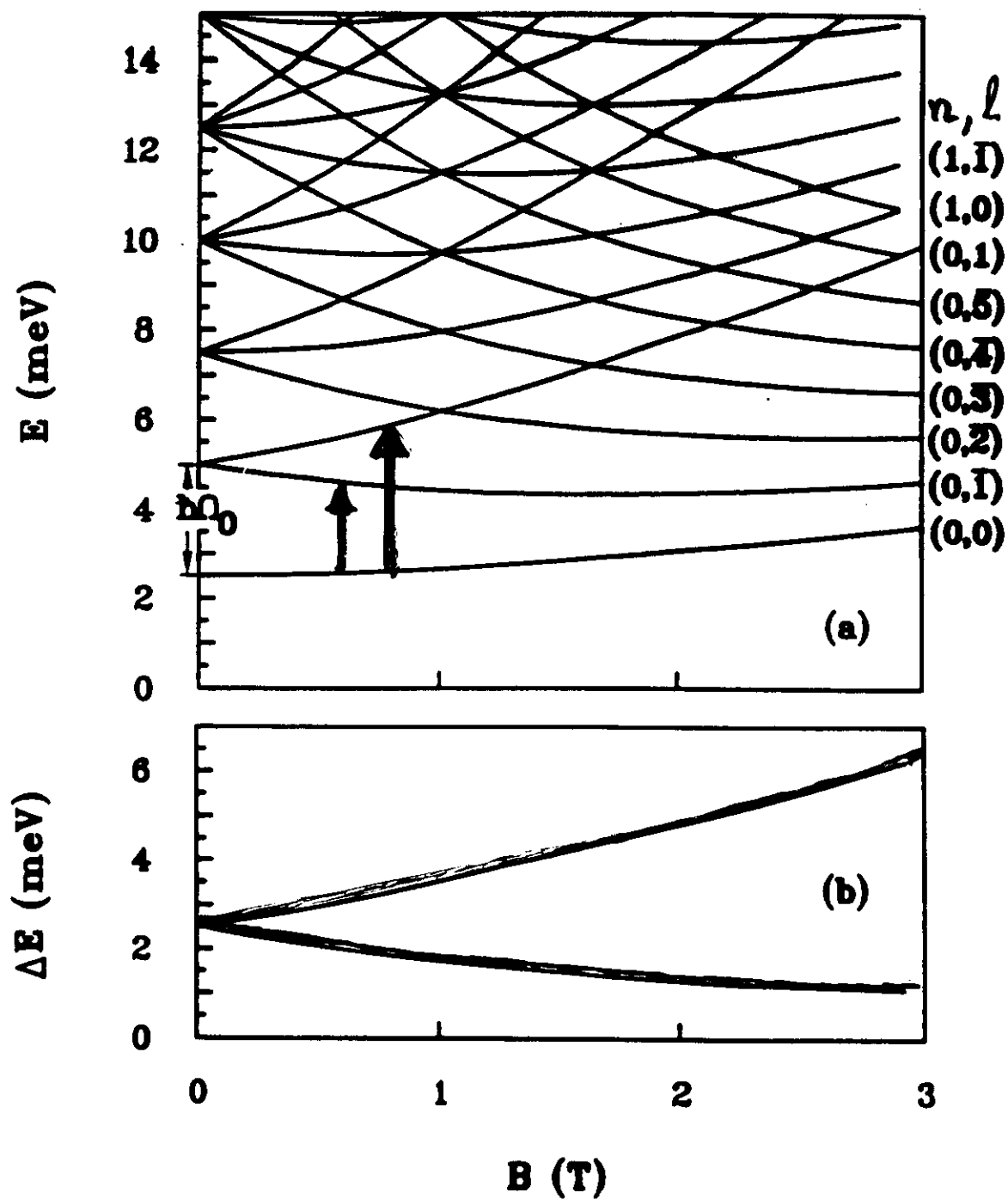
$$E_{n,\ell} = \ell \cdot \frac{\hbar \omega_c}{2} + (2n + |\ell| + 1) \cdot \sqrt{(\hbar \Omega_0)^2 + \frac{(\hbar \omega_c)^2}{4}}$$

$n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ radial quantum number

$\ell = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$ azimuthal quantum number

Fock, Z. Physik 1928.

SINGLE-PARTICLE SPECTRUM
OF A 2D HARMONIC OSCILLATOR IN A
MAGNETIC FIELD
ONE ELECTRON !



Para-He

Ortho-He

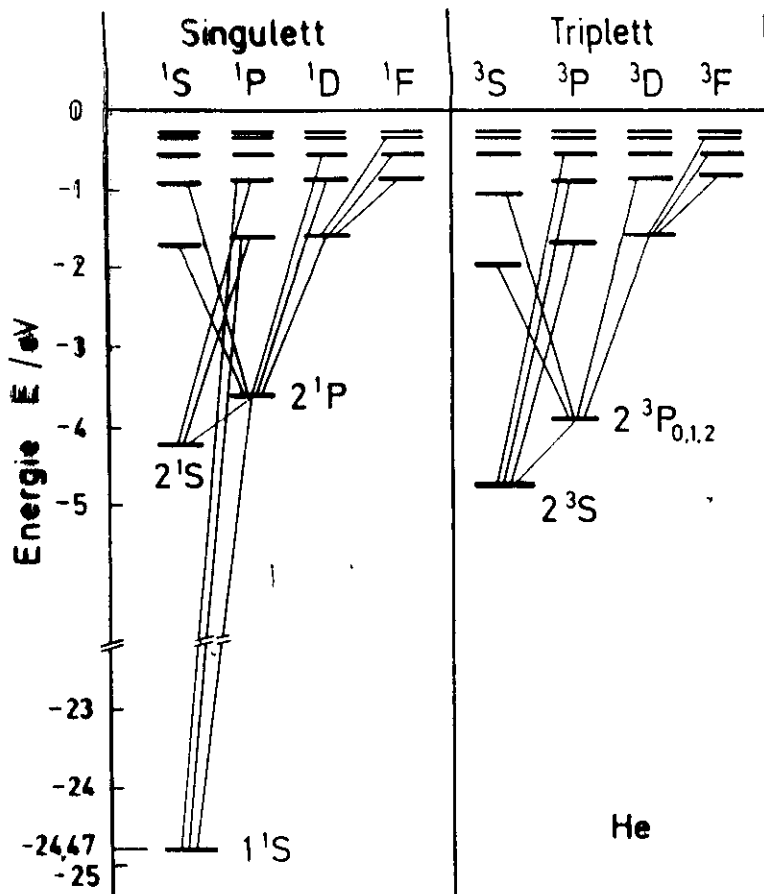


Abb. 17.1. Termschema des He-Atoms. Einige der erlaubten Übergänge sind eingezeichnet. Es gibt zwei Termsysteme, zwischen denen strahlende Übergänge verboten sind, das Singulett- und das Triplett-System. Die Übergänge im Singulett-System überspannen einen Energiebereich von 25 eV, die im Triplett-System nur 5 eV

$$|1,2\rangle, \psi_1, \psi_2$$

Two-Particle-WAVEFUNCTIONS
AND EIGENVALUES
Excitation Spectrum

of

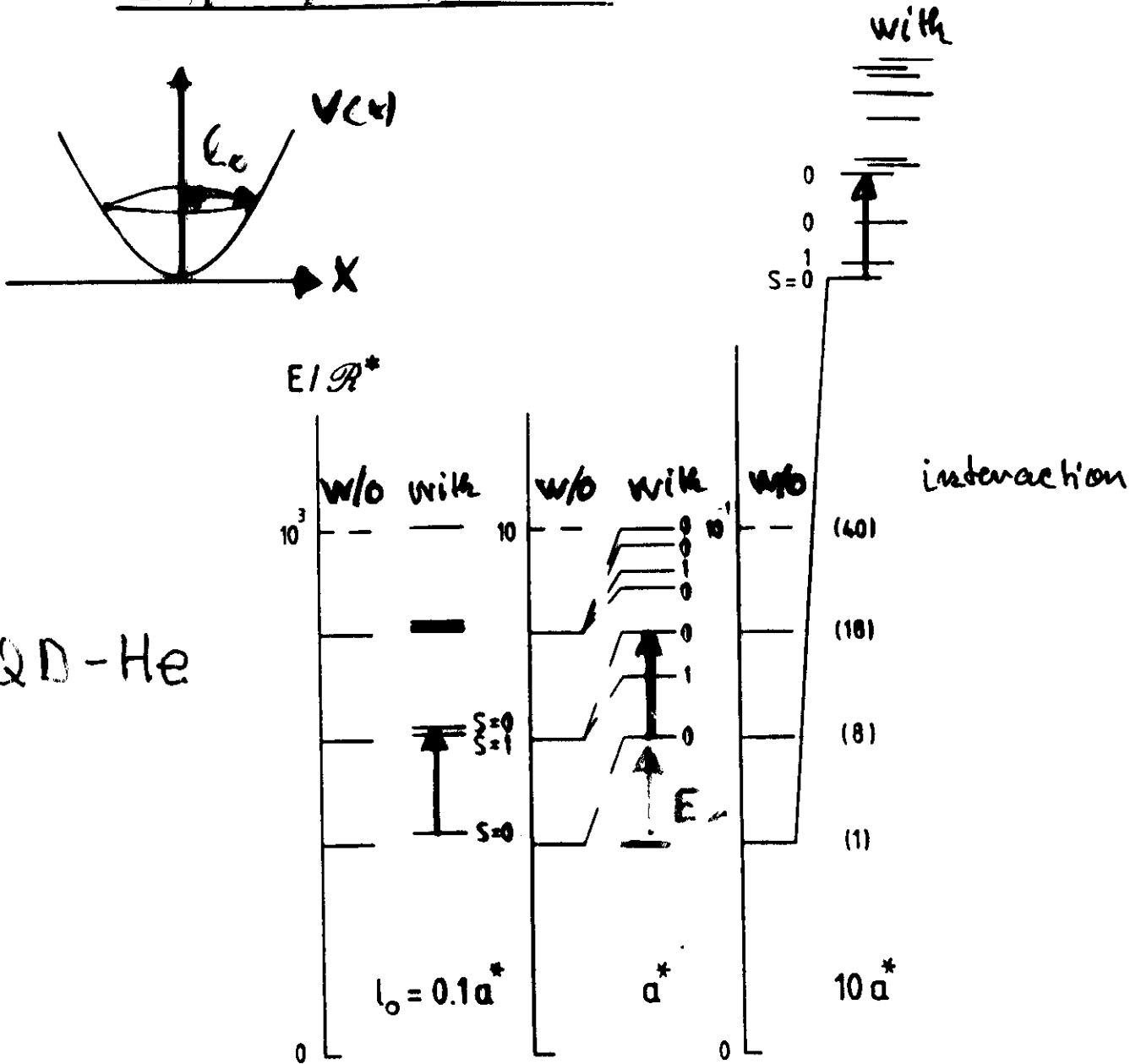
Coulomb-He

ENERGY SPECTRA OF QUANTUM-DOT ATOMS = QD - He

$2e^-$, box potential, Bryant, PRL59, 1140 (1987)

$3 - 5e^-$, parab. potential, Maksym and Chakraborty, PRL65, 108 (1990)

$2e^-$, parab. potential, Merkt et al, PRB 43, 7320 (1991)



QD-He

Confinement: $E_q = \hbar^2/m^*l_0^2$

Coulomb: $E_c = e^2/\epsilon l_0$

$\propto \ell^{-2}$
 $\propto \ell^{-1}$

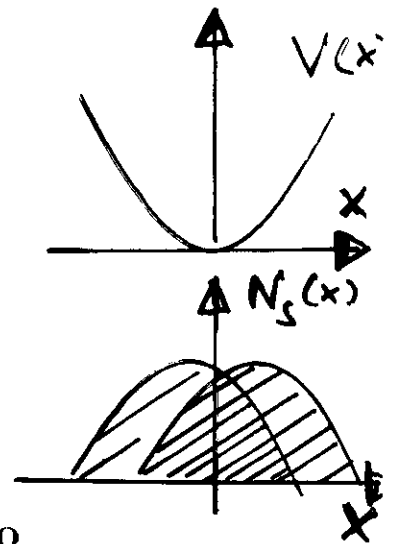
$l_0 = 18nm : E_q = 3.4meV \quad E_c = 6.5meV$

Effective Bohr radius in GaAs $a_0^* = 11nm$:

N ELECTRONS
IN A PARABOLIC POTENTIAL
ELECTRON-ELECTRON INTERACTION

SEPARATION
 INTO CENTER-OF-MASS MOTION AND RELATIVE
MOTION

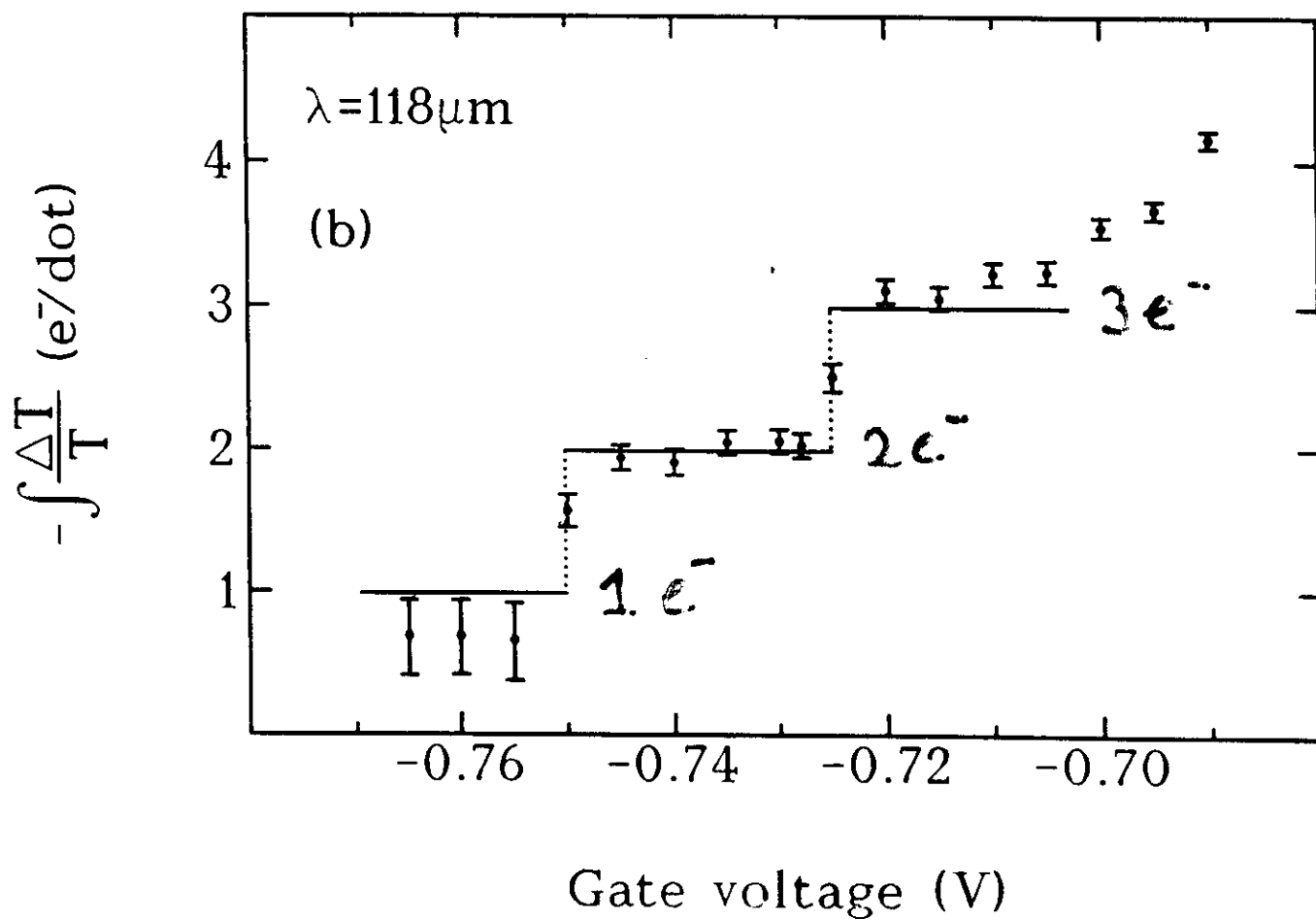
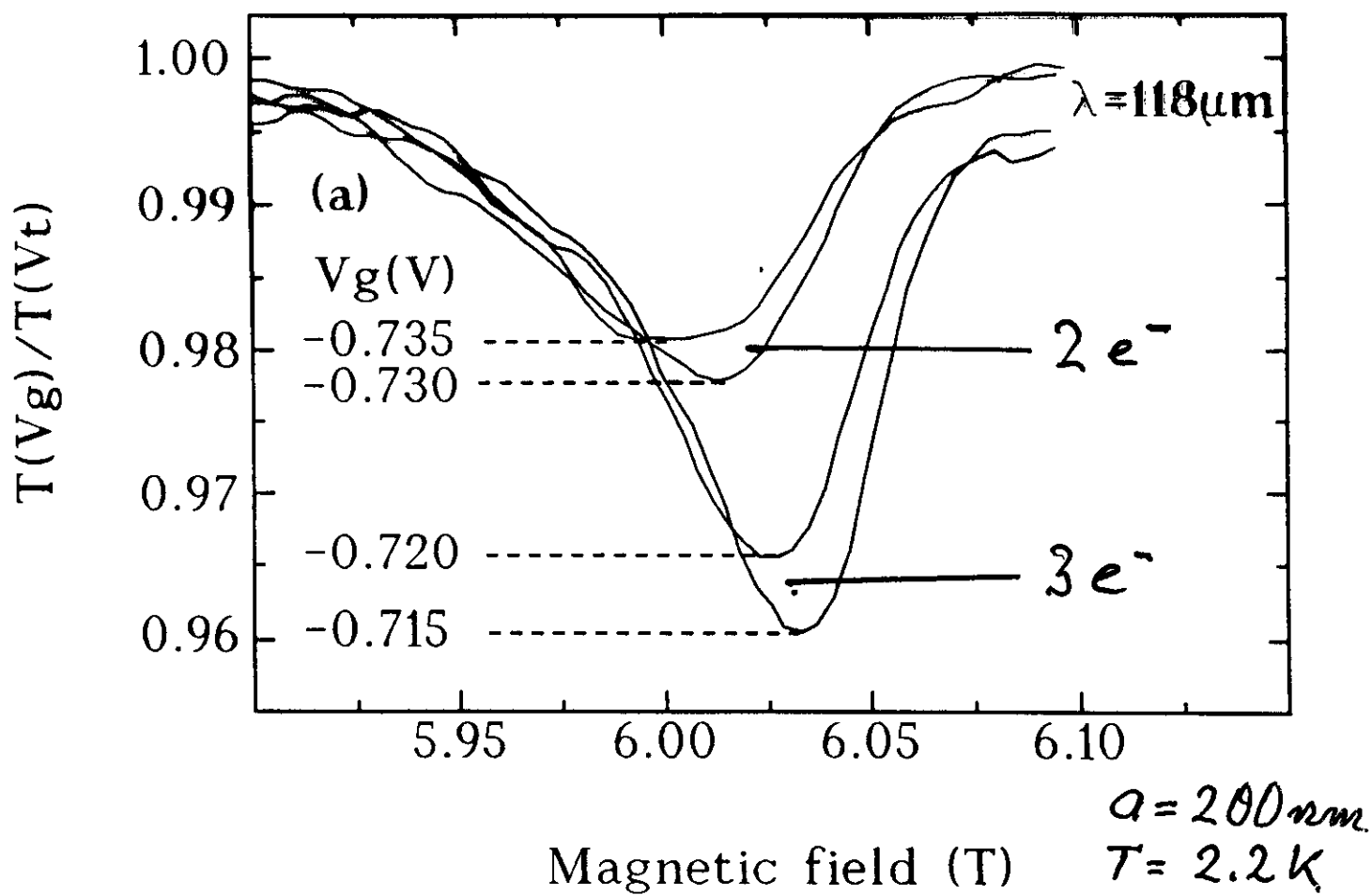
$$H_N = H(\vec{R}, \vec{P}) + H_{rel}(\vec{r}_{j,rel}, \vec{p}_{j,rel})$$



Dipole excitation couples only to
center-of-mass motion
Rigid motion of all electrons
Independent on number of electrons

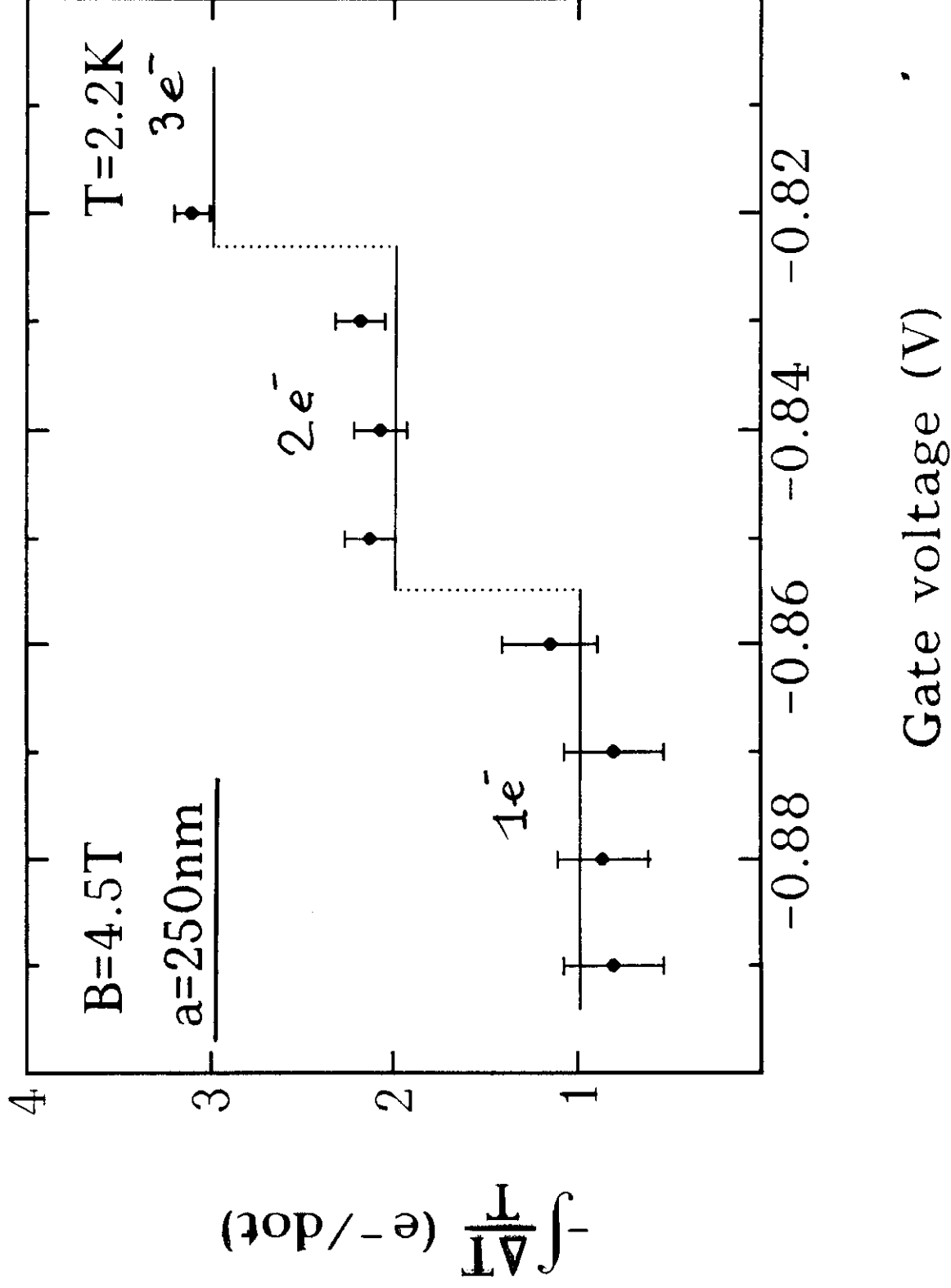
GENERALISATION OF KOHN'S THEOREM

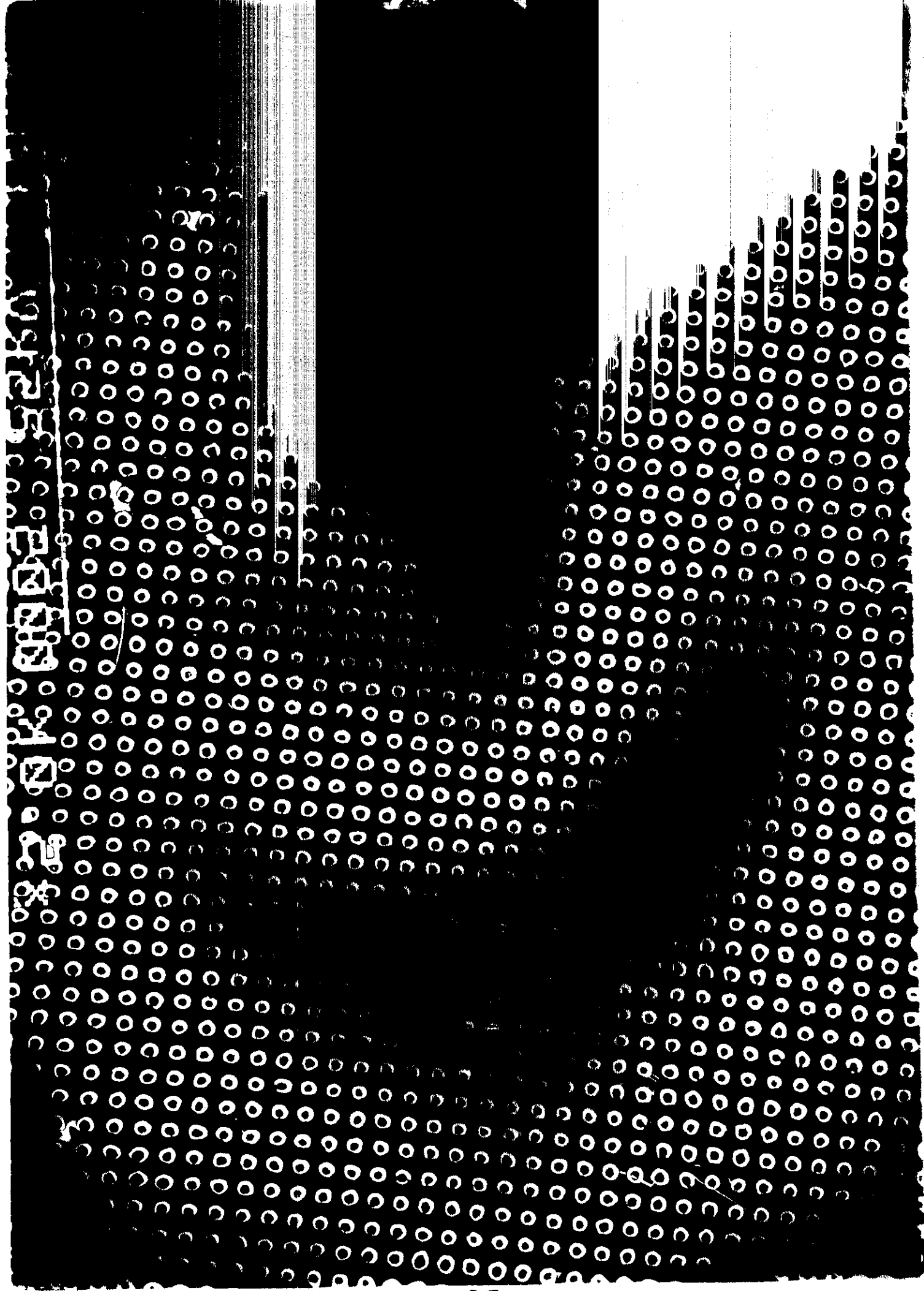
Brey, Johnson, Halperin - Maksym, Chakraborty (89)
 Ruden, Döhler (93)



FIELD-EFFECT CONFINED QUANTUM DOTS

INTEGRATED FIR ABSORPTION STRENGTH





COULOMB EFFECTS

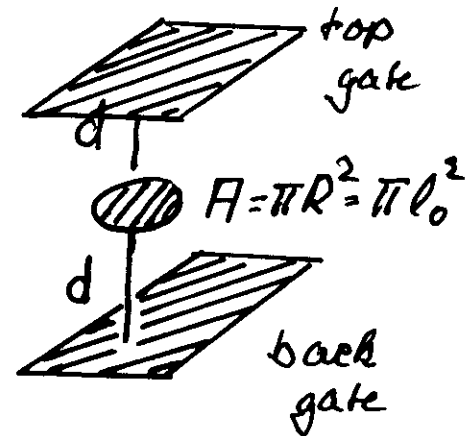
ESTIMATION OF C GIVES

$$C = \frac{\epsilon\epsilon_0\pi R^2}{d_{eff}}$$

$$R = 27 \text{ nm from } l_0$$

$$d_{eff} = 50 \text{ nm}$$

$$C = 5.10^{-18} \text{ F}$$



ENERGY REQUIRED TO CHARGE THIS CAPACITOR WITH ONE ELECTRON

$$E_c = \frac{e^2}{2C} = 15 \text{ meV}$$

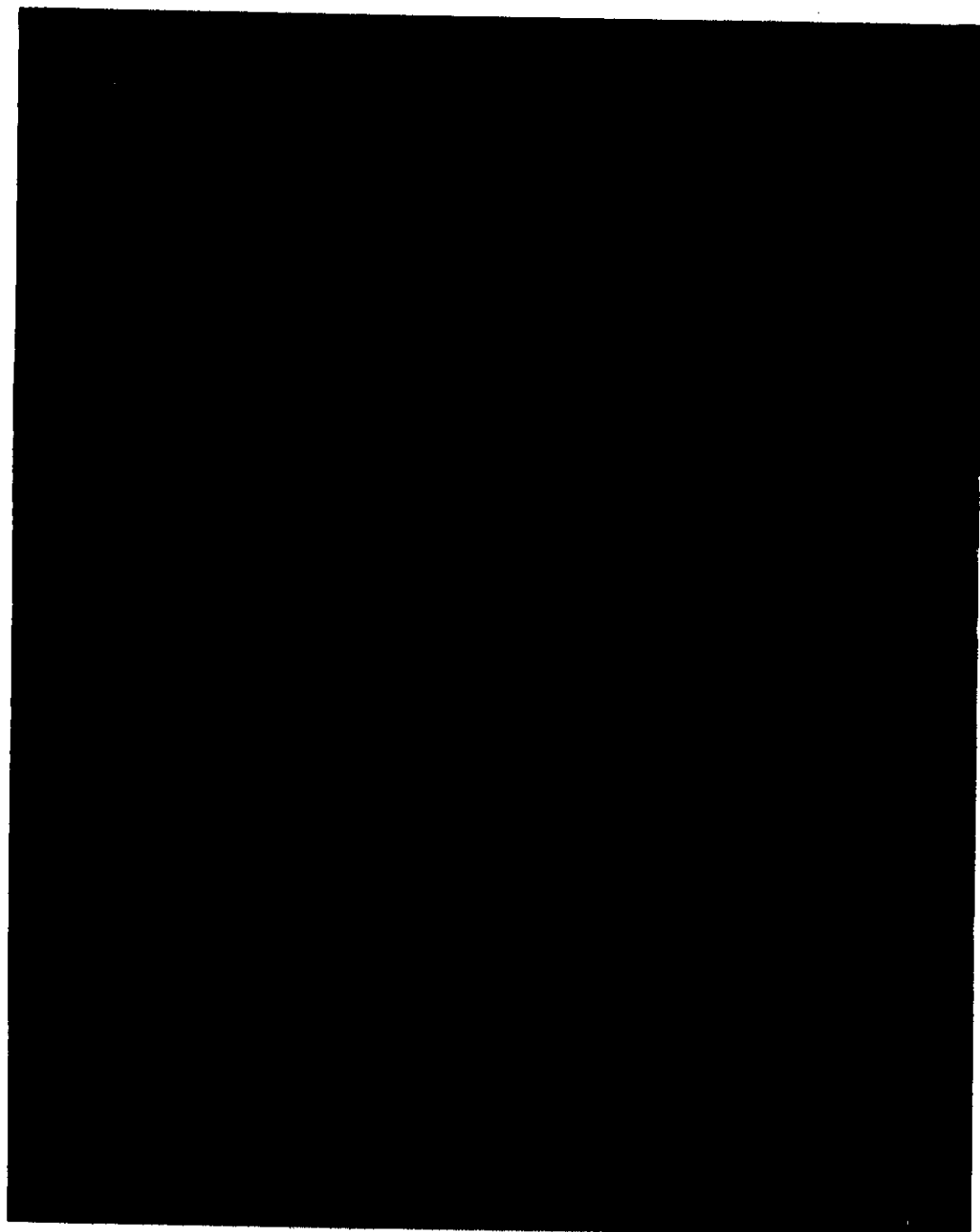
larger than kT
larger than local fluctuations
of threshold voltage
or dot geometry

STABILIZES A WELL DEFINED NUMBER OF ELECTRONS IN EACH DOT

Breaking Kohn's Theorem

- **Non-parabolic potential**
- **Non-parabolic band structure**
- **Tilted magnetic fields**
- **Non-dipole excitation**
- **Raman Experiments**

DEEP-MESA ETCHED QUANTUM DOTS IN AlGaAs-GaAs



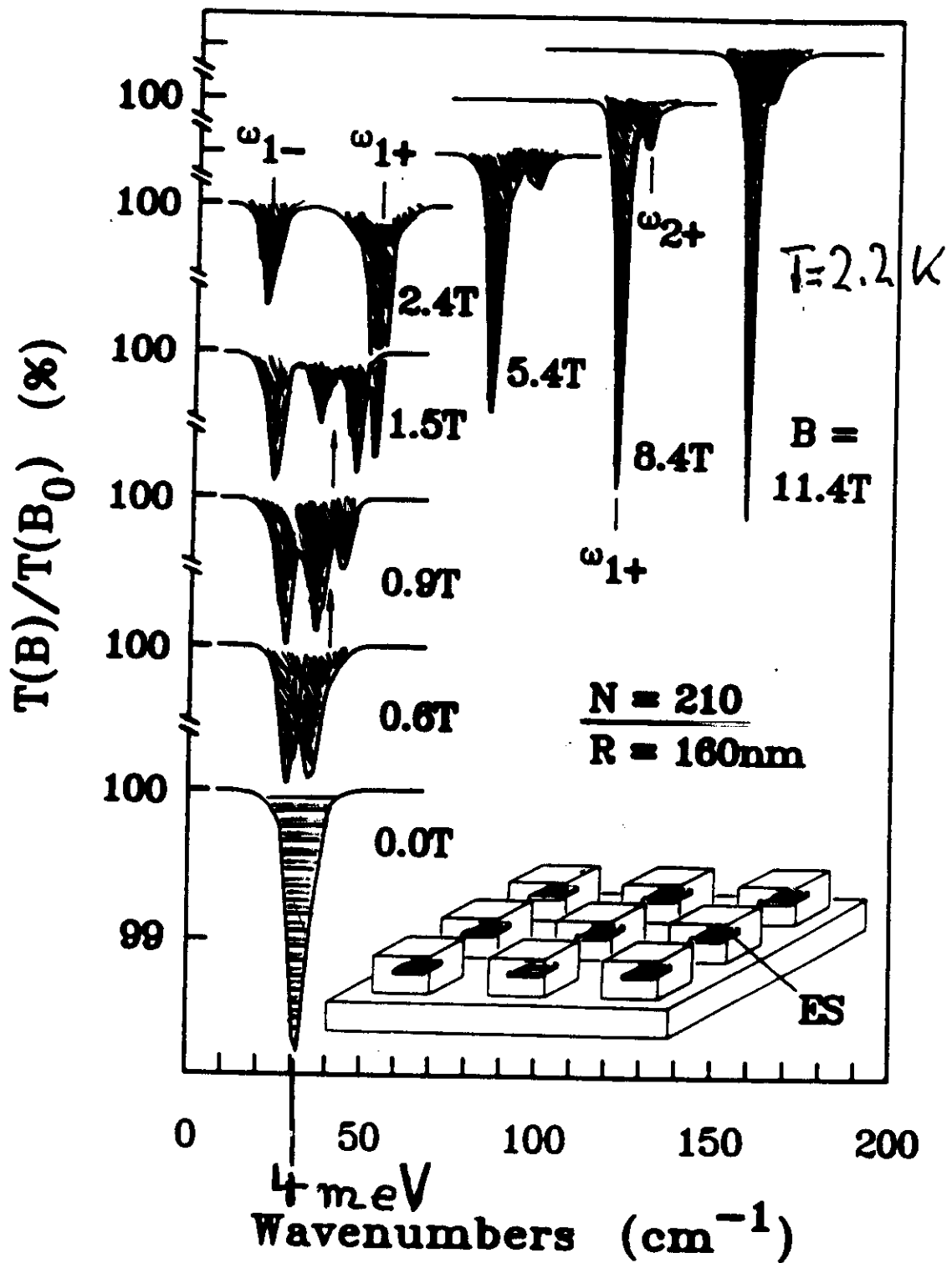
500nm · 500nm with rounded corners

lateral depletion $\approx 100\text{nm}$

one-particle separation $\approx 2\text{meV}$

estimated from wires prepared under identical conditions

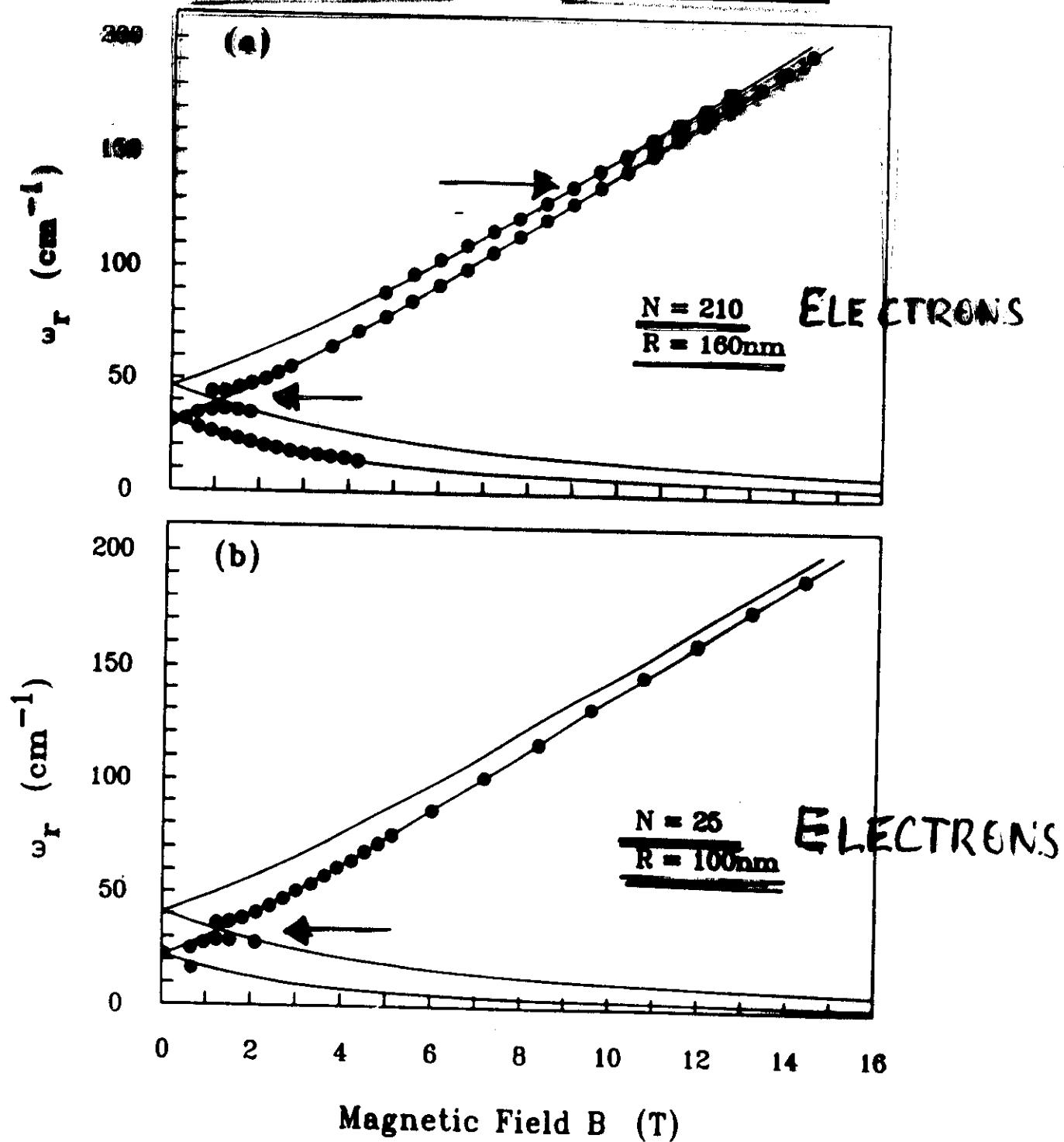
FIR RESPONSE OF
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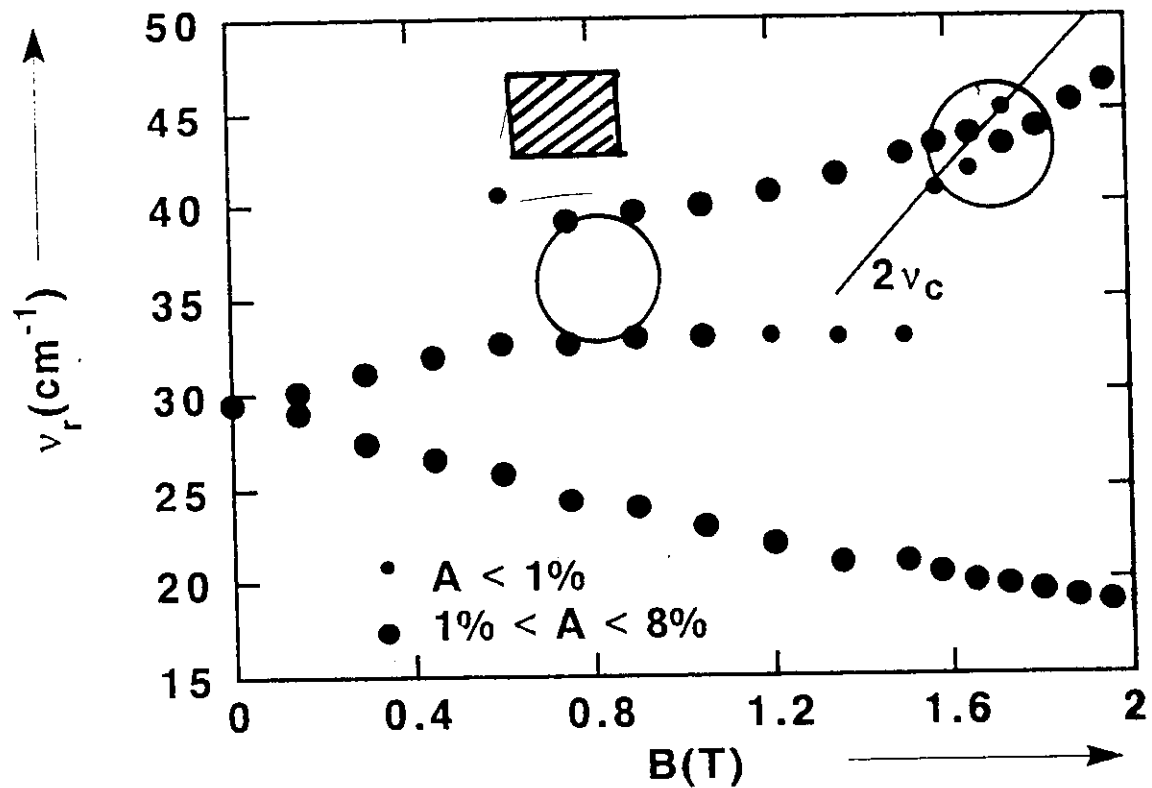
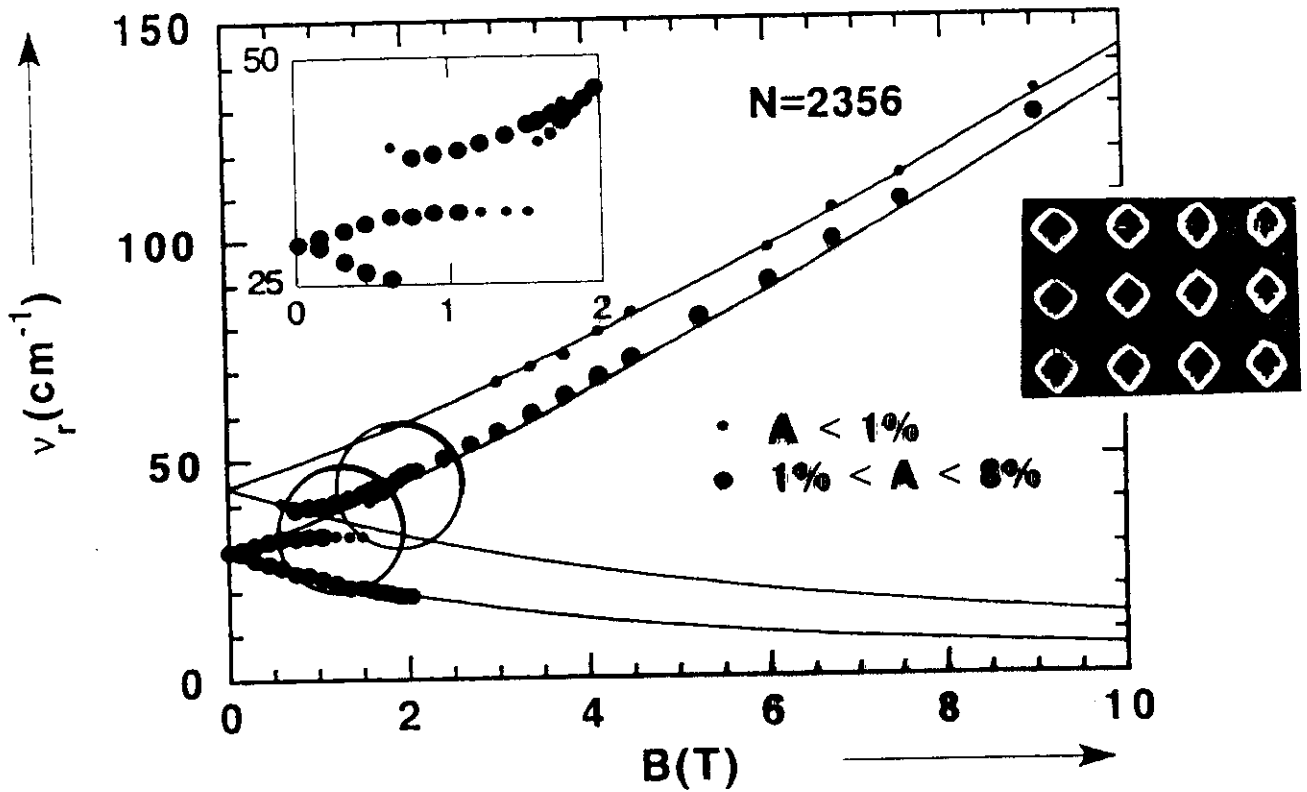
$N = 210$ ELECTRONS PER DOT
GEOMETRICAL RADIUS: 250 nm
ELECTRICAL RADIUS: 160 nm
SINGLE PARTICLE ENERGY: 2meV

B- DISPERSION OF RESONANCE FREQUENCIES

HIGHER MODES AND ANTI-CROSSING



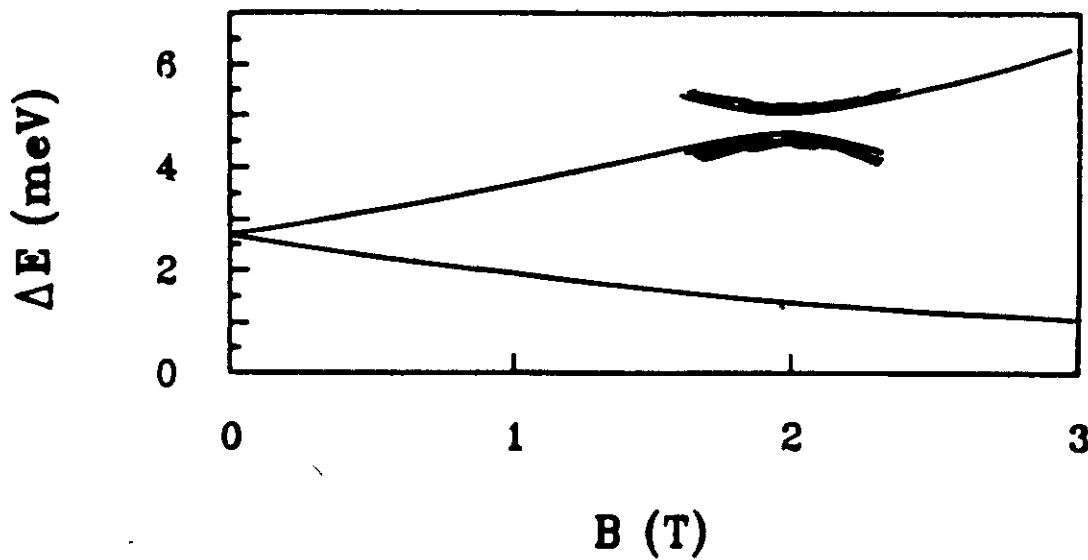
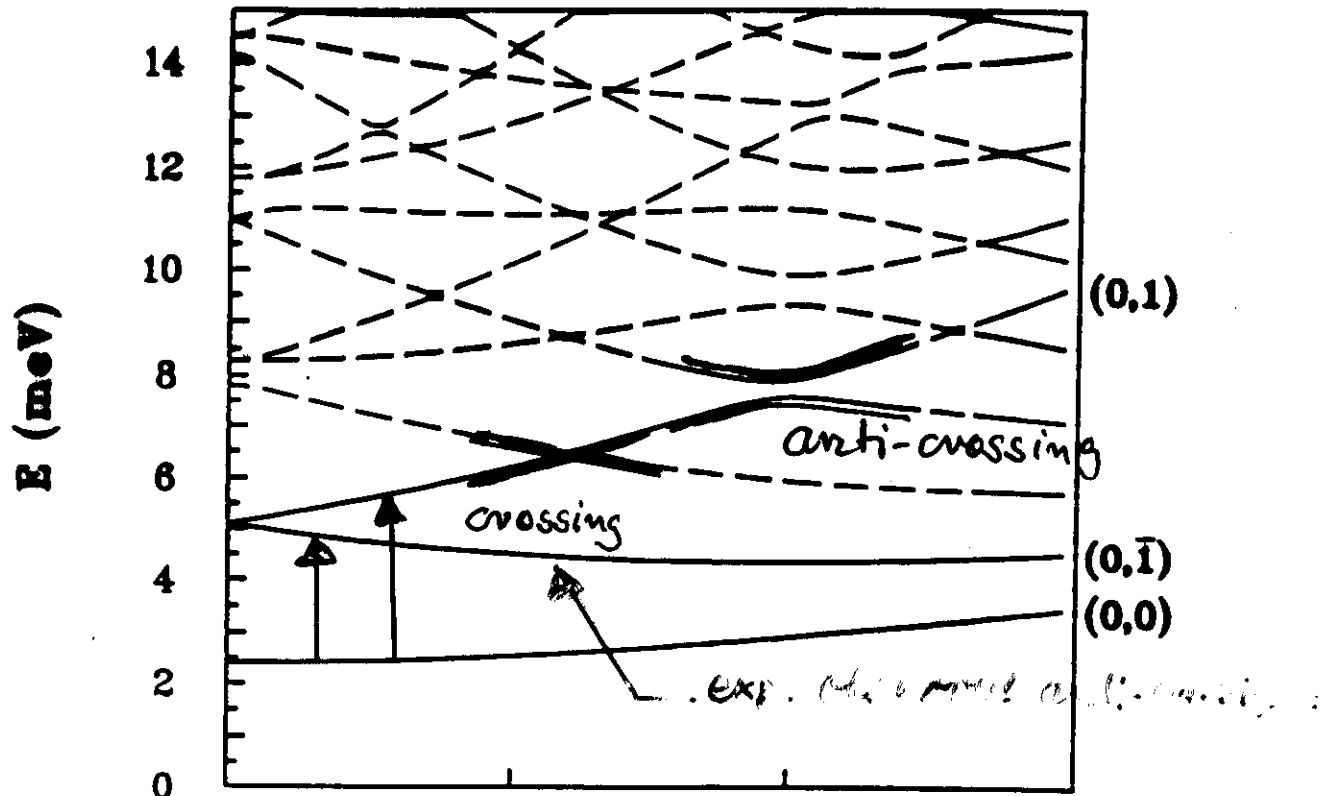
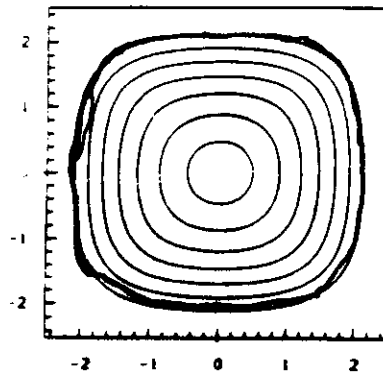
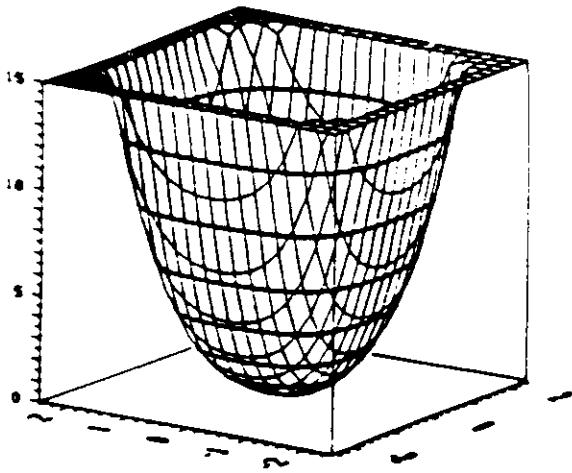
IN DEEP-MESA-ETCHED QUANTUM DOTS
 $a=2000\text{nm}$, $1000 \times 1000 \text{ nm}^2$, $N=2500 \text{ e}^-/\text{dot}$, $R=330\text{nm}$



MODE SPLITTING FROM SQUARE-SHAPED
NON-PARABOLICITY
 $2\omega_c$ SPLITTING ALSO FOR CIRCULAR SHAPED
+ NONPARABOLICITY.

Deviations from the parabolic potential shape

ONE - ELECTRON

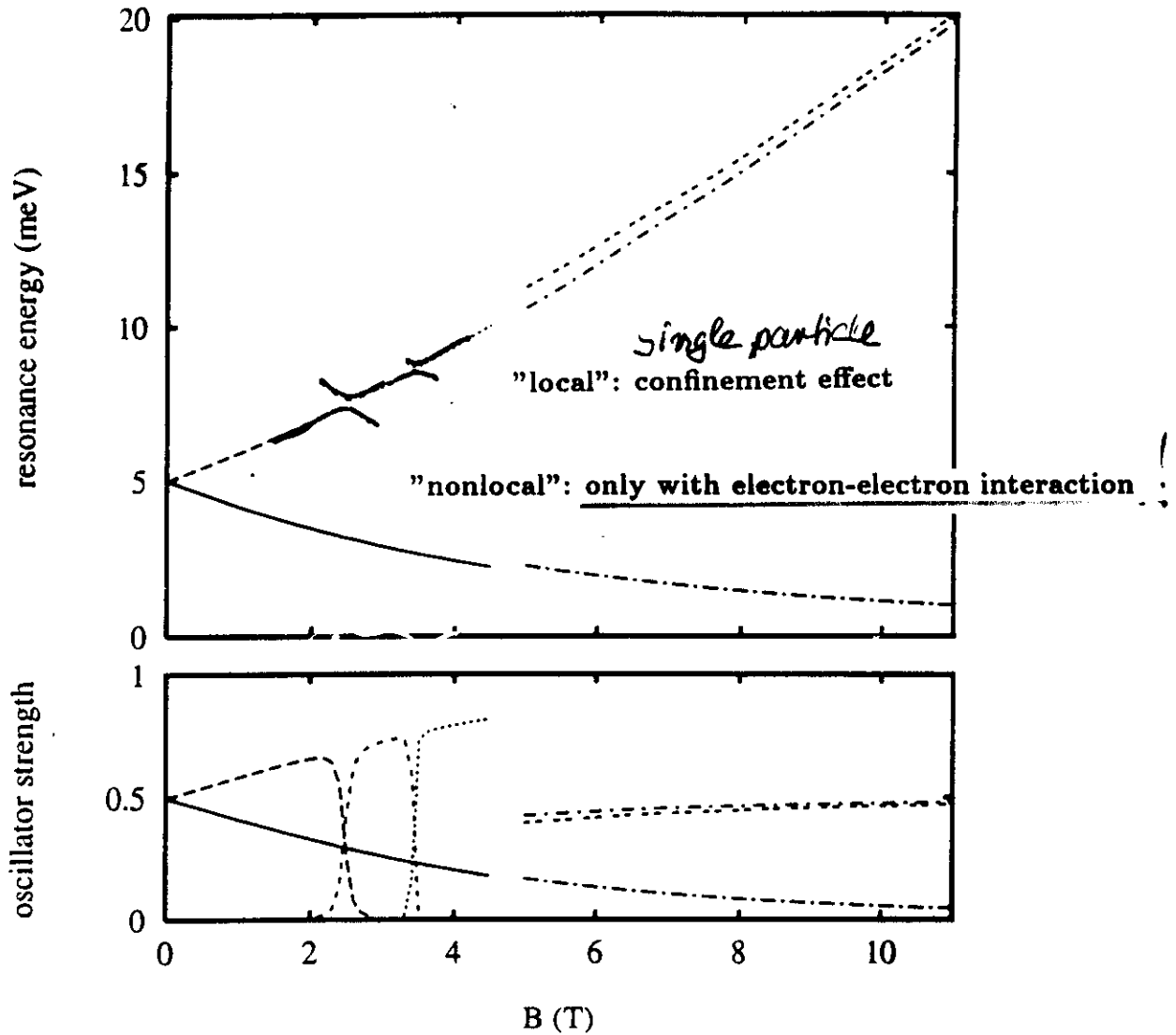


CALCULATED B-DISPERSION IN QUANTUM DOTS WITH SQUARED SYMMETRY

two electrons!

$$V(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} m^* \omega_0^2 (r^2 + ar^4 + bx^2y^2)$$

D. Pfannkuche and R.R. Gerhardt, PRB 44, 13132 (1991)



**DYNAMIC EXCITATIONS IN
IN
SEMICONDUCTOR MICROSTRUCTURES**

TWO MODELS:

I.
**QUANTUM DOT ATOMS
INCLUDING
ee-INTERACTION**

II.
CONFINED PLASMONS

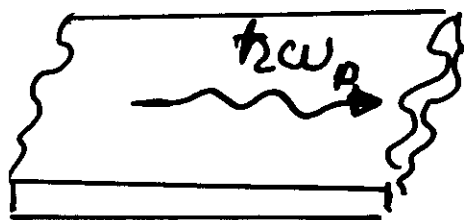
Quantitatively:

Flannery - Rock and

RPA

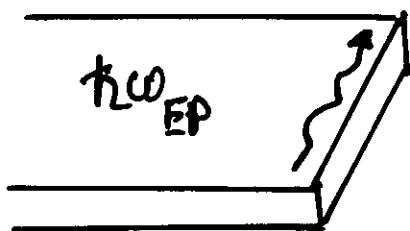
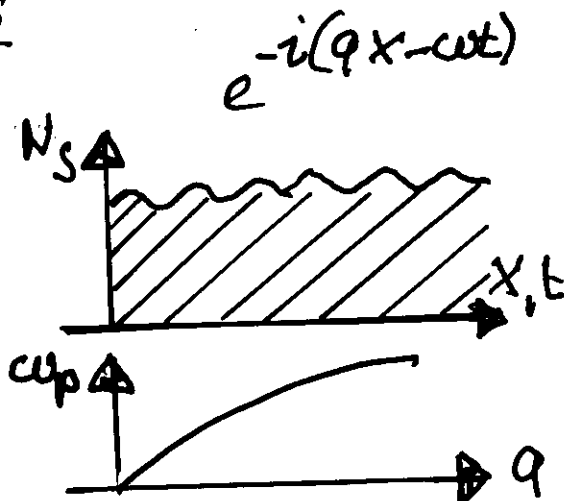
COLLECTIVE EXCITATIONS

2DES:



2D-plasmons

$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{N_s e^2}{2\epsilon^* \epsilon_0 m^*} q$$

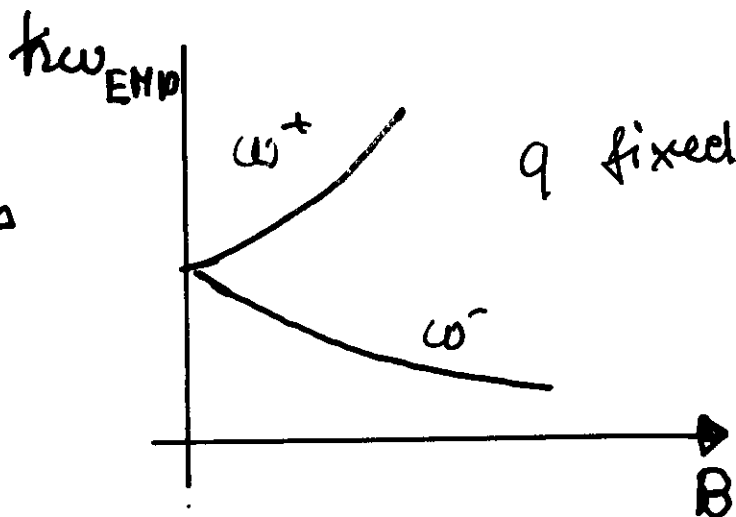
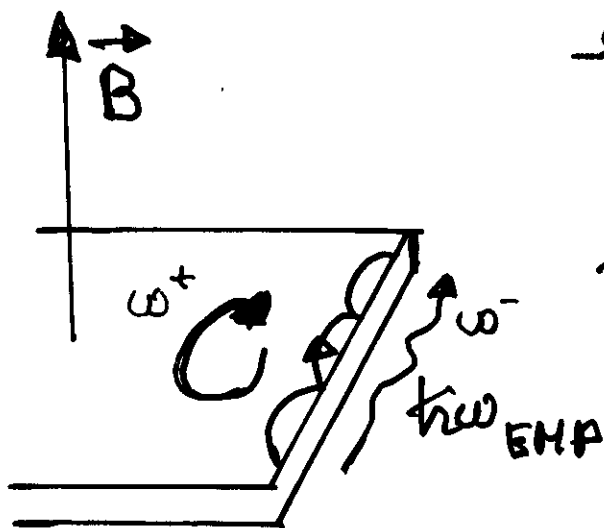


Edge plasmons ("1/2 D")

$$\omega_{EP}^2 = 0.81 \frac{N_s e^2}{2\epsilon^* \epsilon_0 m^*} q$$

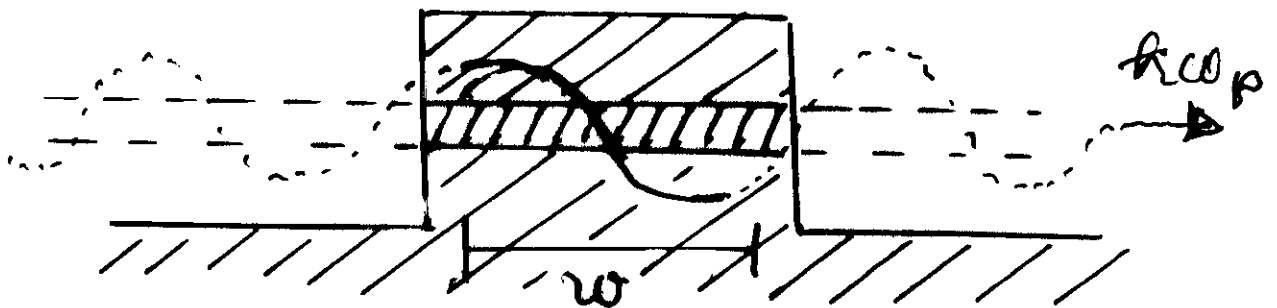
↑ depends on V_{edge} , q

Edge-Magneto-Plasmons



COLLECTIVE EXCITATIONS IN QUANTUM WIRES AND DOTS

= CONFINED PLASMONS



$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{N_s e^2}{2\epsilon^* \epsilon_0 m^*} \cdot q$$

$$q = n \cdot \frac{\pi}{w}$$

EDGE MAGNETOPLASMONS IN A 2D DISK:

THE PERIMETER P

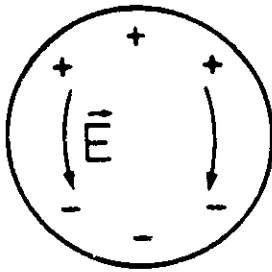
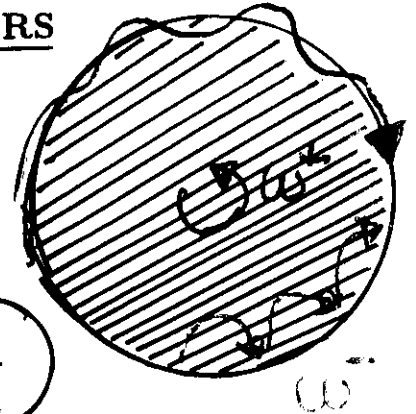
QUANTIZES THE ALLOWED q-VECTORS

$$n\lambda_n = n2\pi/q_n = 2\pi R = P$$

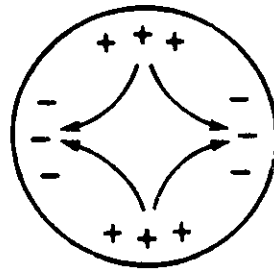
$$q_n = n/R, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$B = 0: \quad \omega_{pn}^2 = \frac{N_s e^2}{2\epsilon^* \epsilon_0 m^*} \left(\frac{n}{R} \right)^2$$

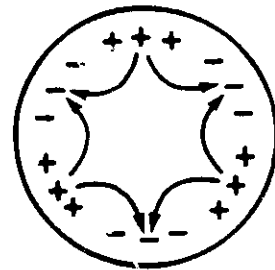
$$B > 0: \quad \omega_{pn}^{(\pm)} = \pm \frac{\omega_c}{2} + \sqrt{\omega_{pn}^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_c}{2}\right)^2}$$



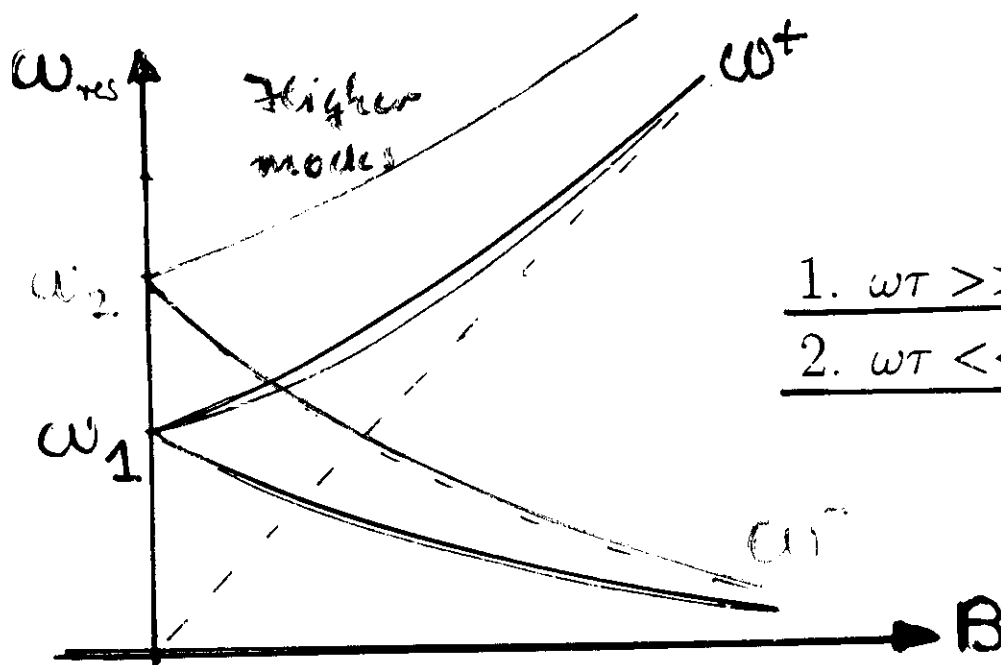
$n=1$



$n=2$



$n=3$



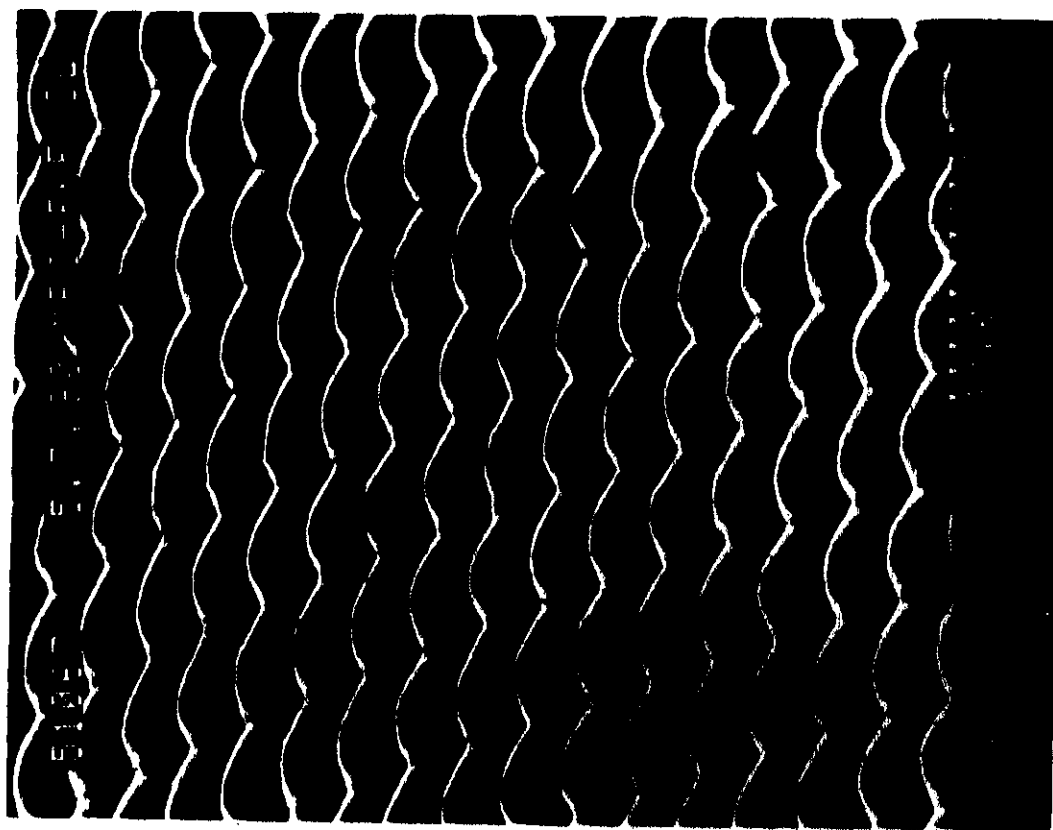
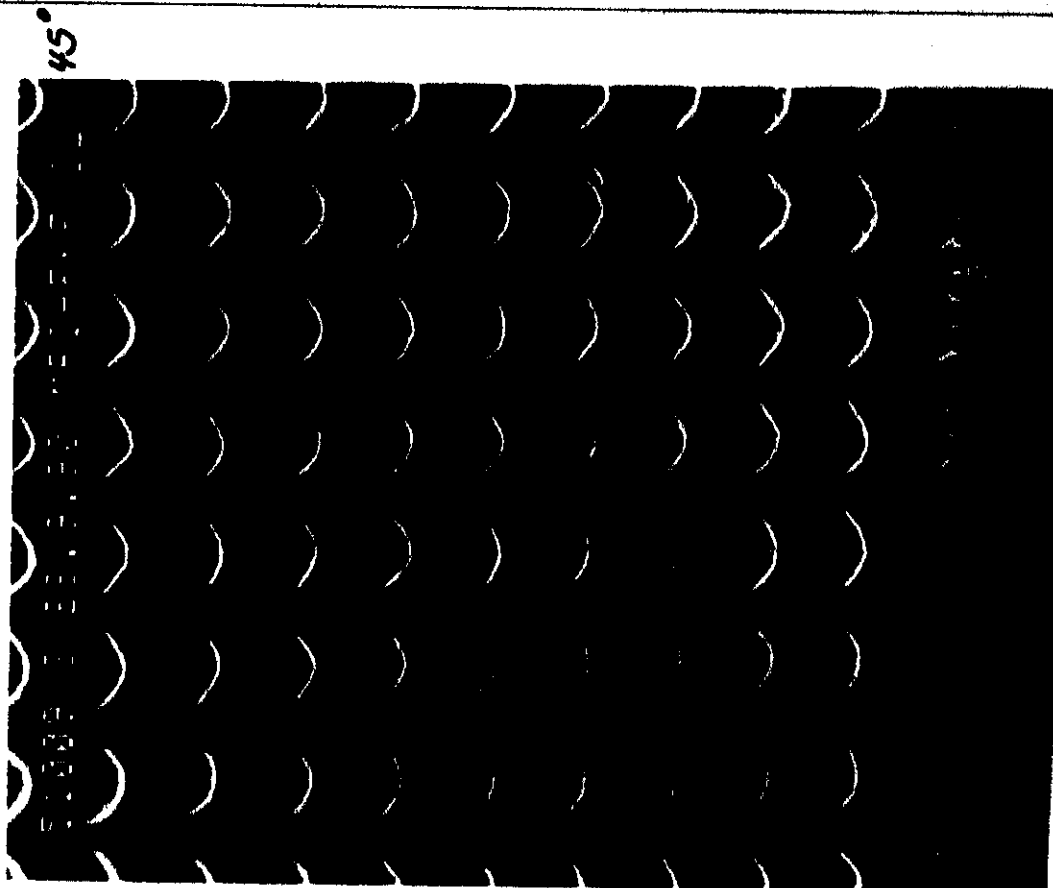
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$$1. \omega_T \gg 1$$

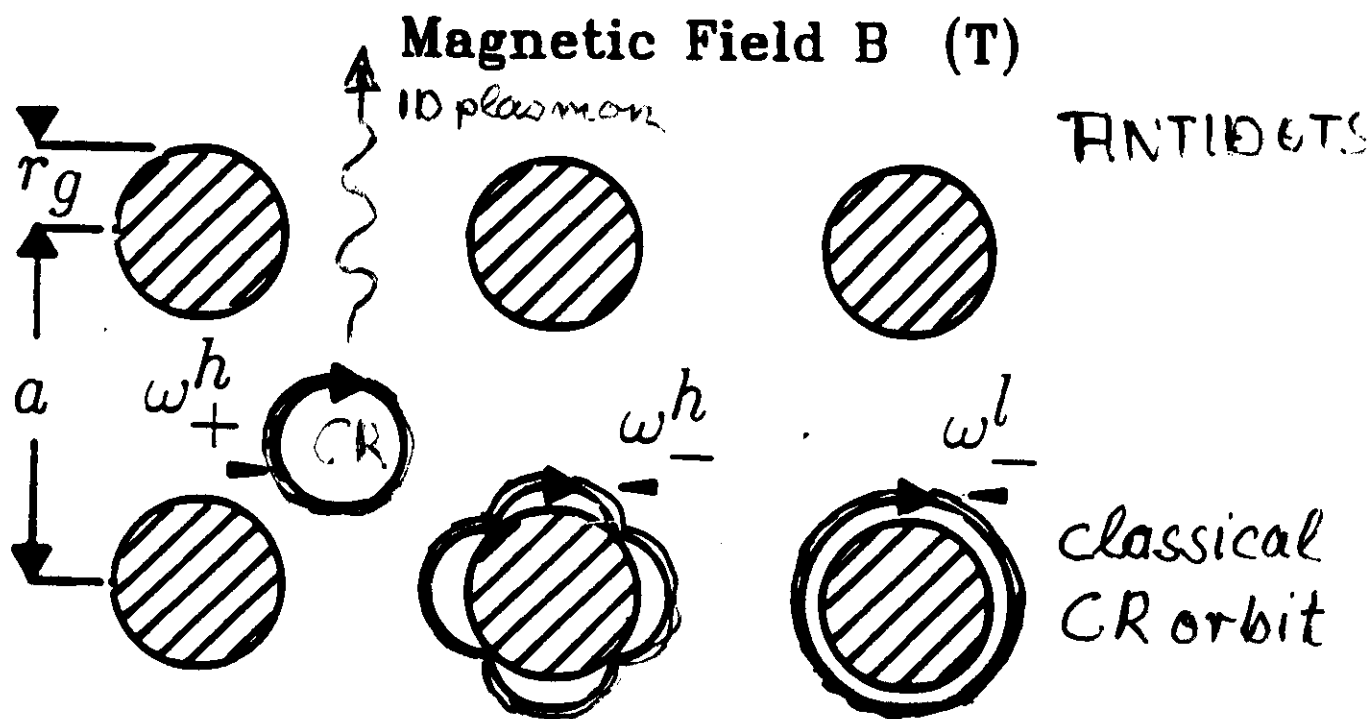
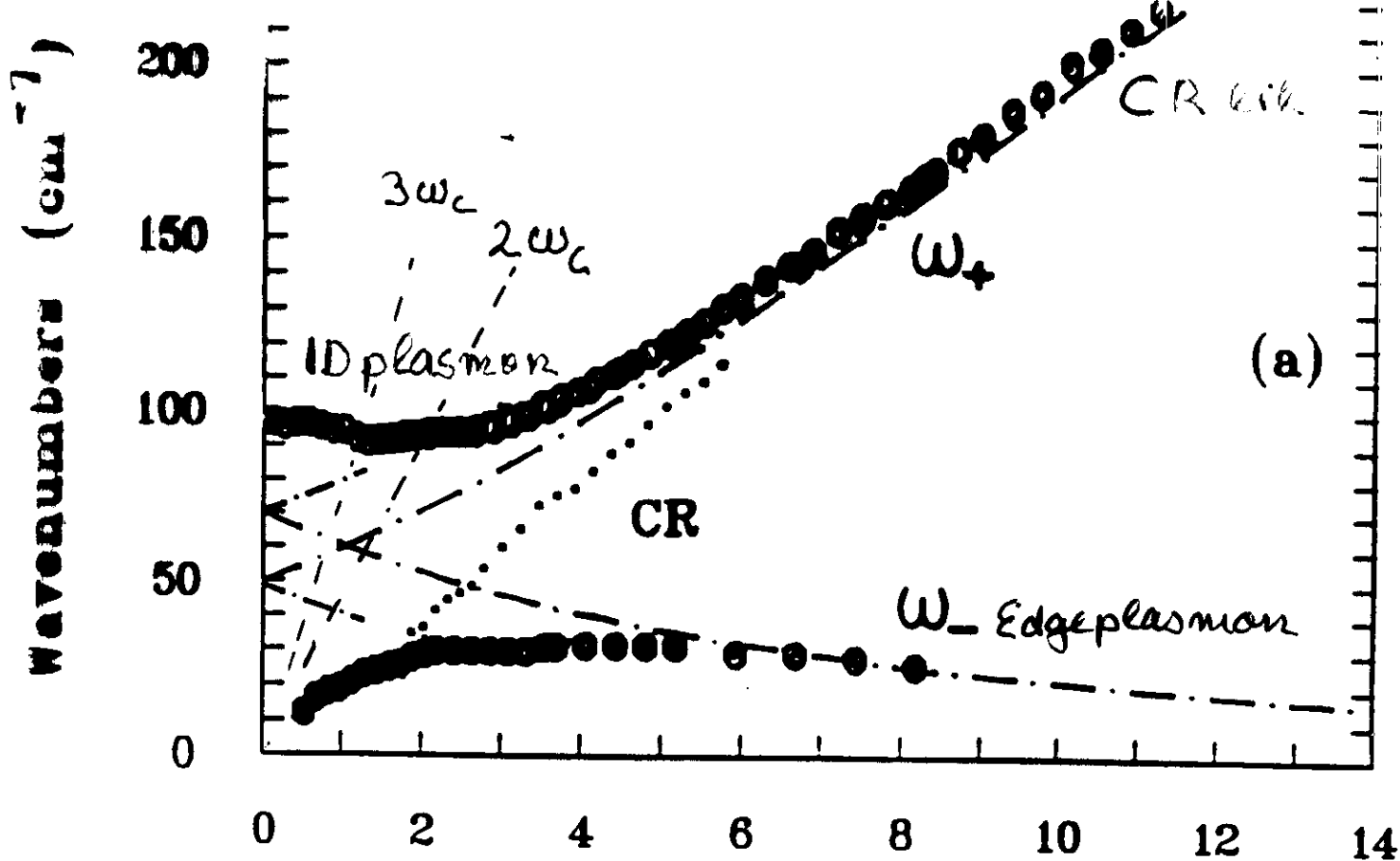
$$2. \omega_T \ll 1$$

QHE

"ANTI-DOTS" IN InGaAs-InAlAs-InP



Period $a = 300nm$, hole diameter $2r = 200nm$



Dot



resulting magnetic anti-classical

DETECTION OF
COMPRESSIBLE
AND
INCOMPRESSIBLE STRIPES

IN QUANTUM DOTS AND ANTIDOTS
BY FIR-SPECTROSCOPY

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Electrostatics of edge channels

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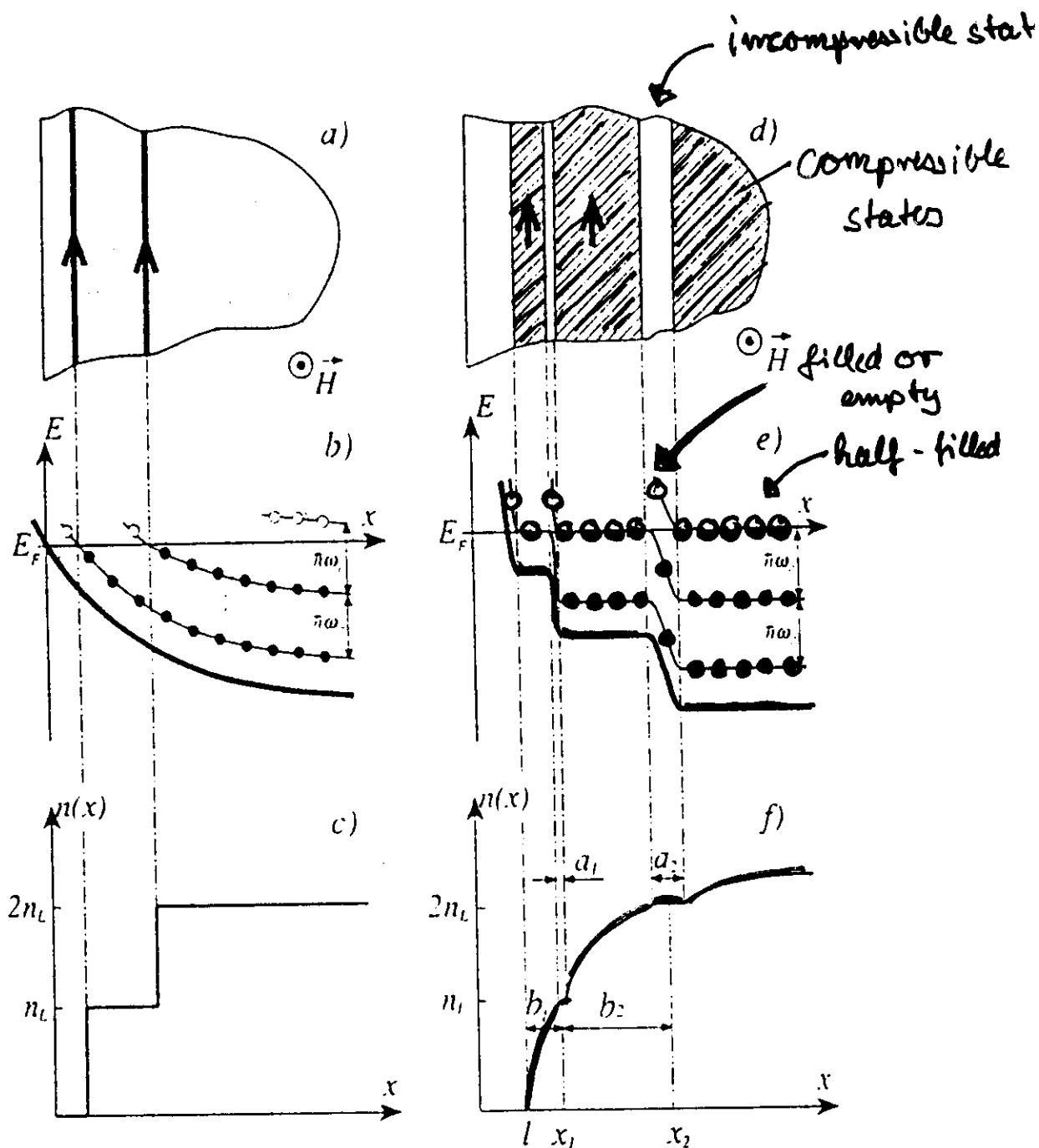


FIG. 1. Structure of spinless edge states in the IQHE regime. (a)–(c) One-electron picture of edge states. (a) Top view on the 2DEG plane near the edge. Arrows designate electron flow direction in the two edge channels. (b) Adiabatic bending of the Landau levels along the increasing potential energy near the

Is it possible to see
compressible and incompressible edge states
in quantum dots and antidots
with FIR experiments?

Answer:

In dots or antidots with
parabolic or smooth potential
not

Kohn's theorem!

To make it observable:
preparation of dots and antidots
· with hard wall confinement

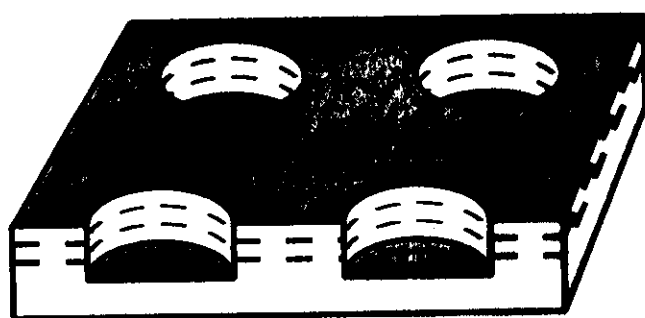
but
still soft enough

not to 'destroy' the inc/c states!

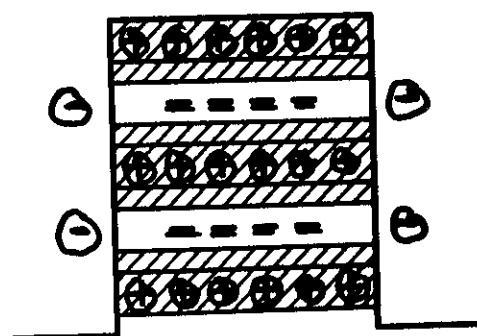
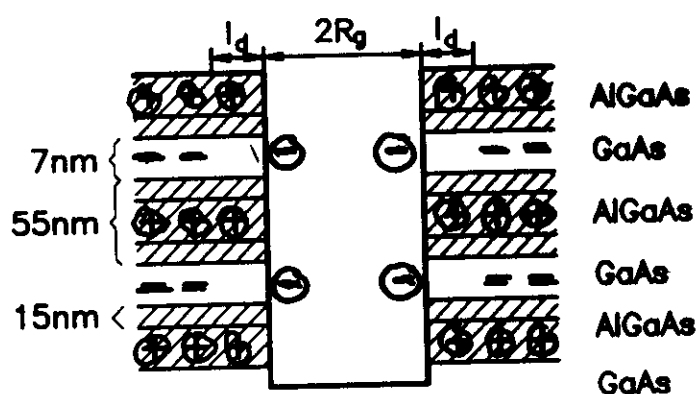
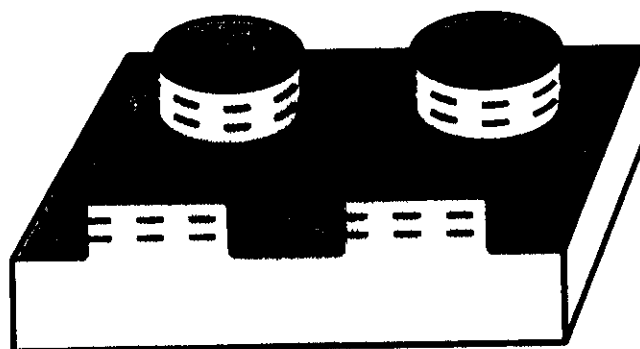
DEEP MESA ETCHED QUANTUM DOTS AND ANTIDOTS WITH THREE DOPING LAYERS

HARD WALL CONFINEMENT

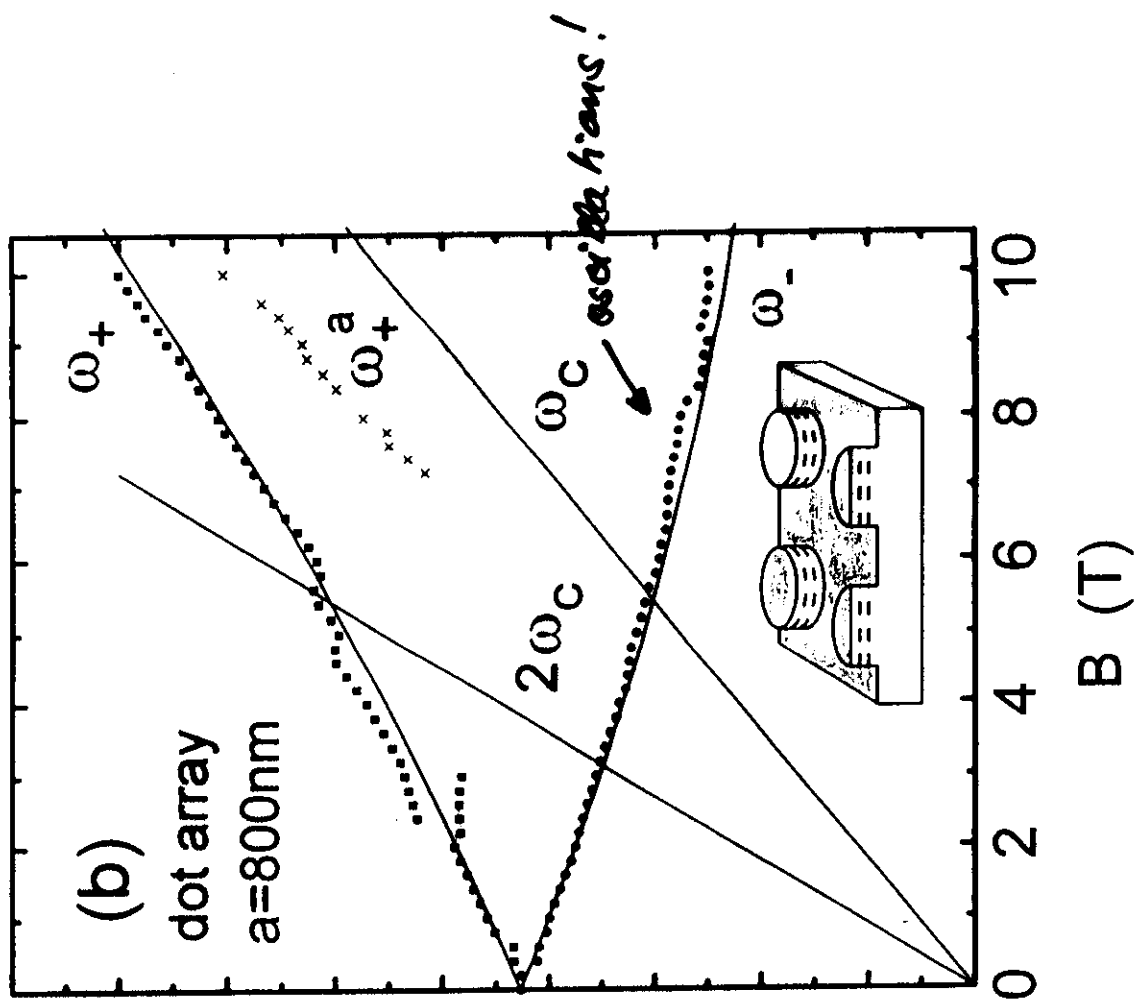
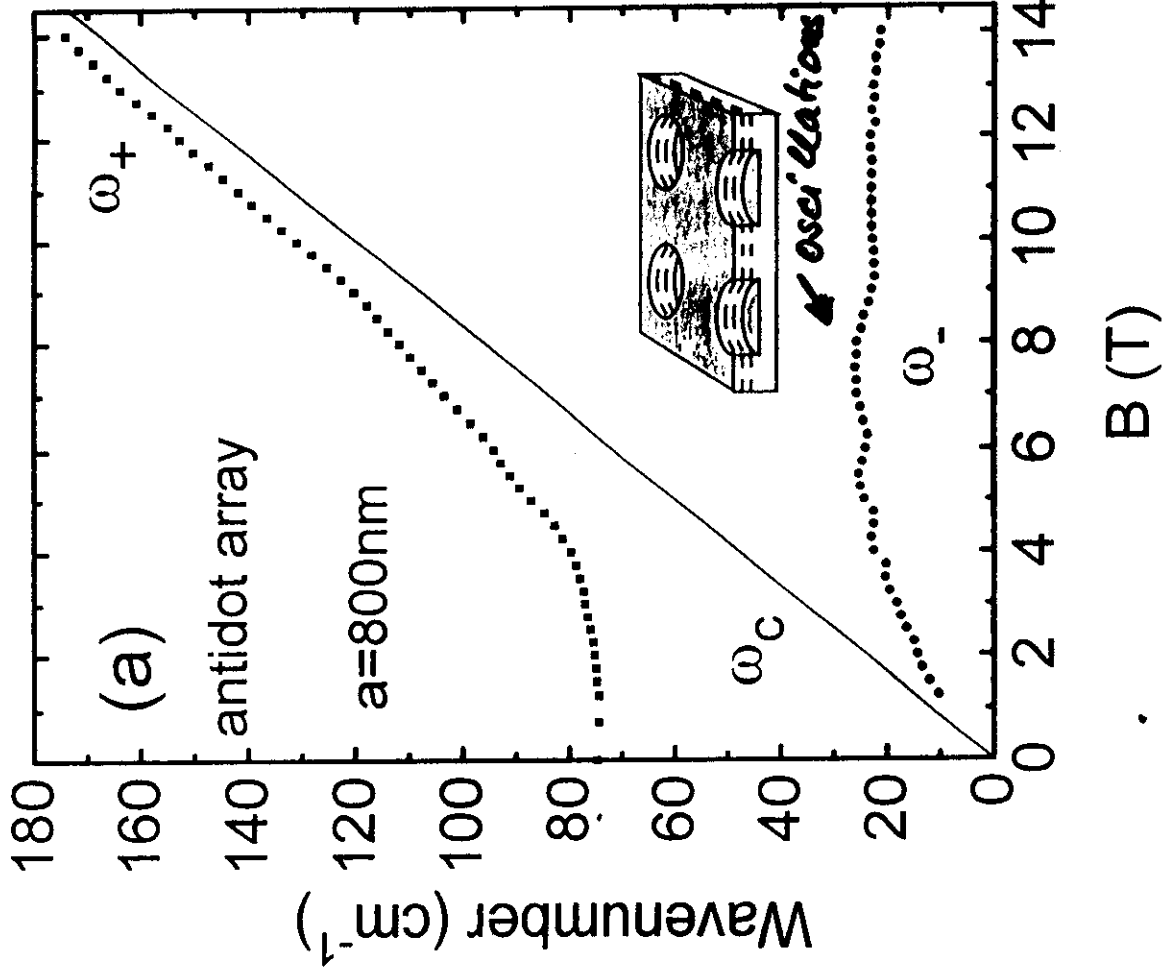
antidots



dots



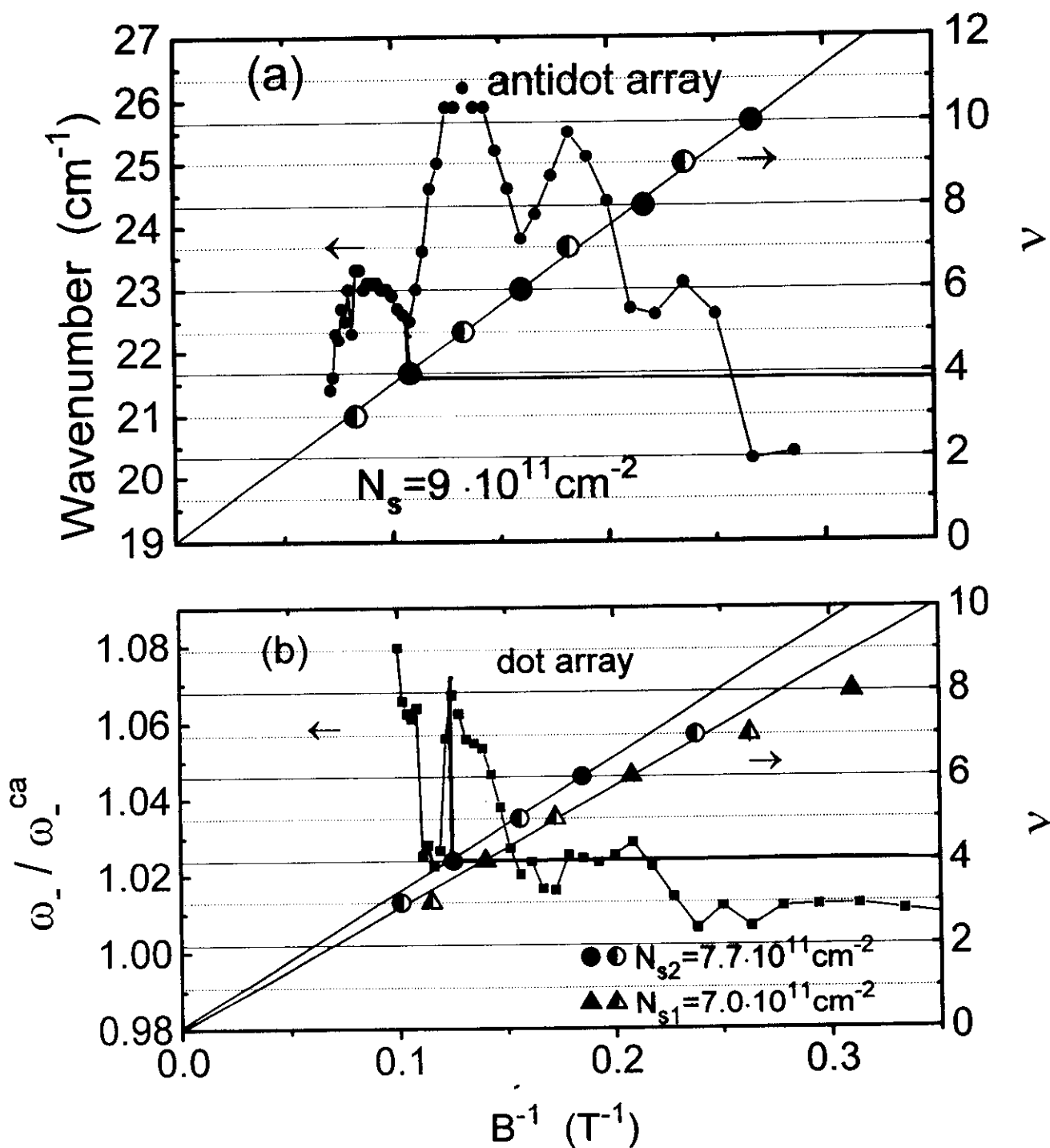
$a=800\text{nm}$, $R_g=180\text{nm}$, $N_s = 9 \cdot 10^{11} \text{cm}^{-2}$ per well



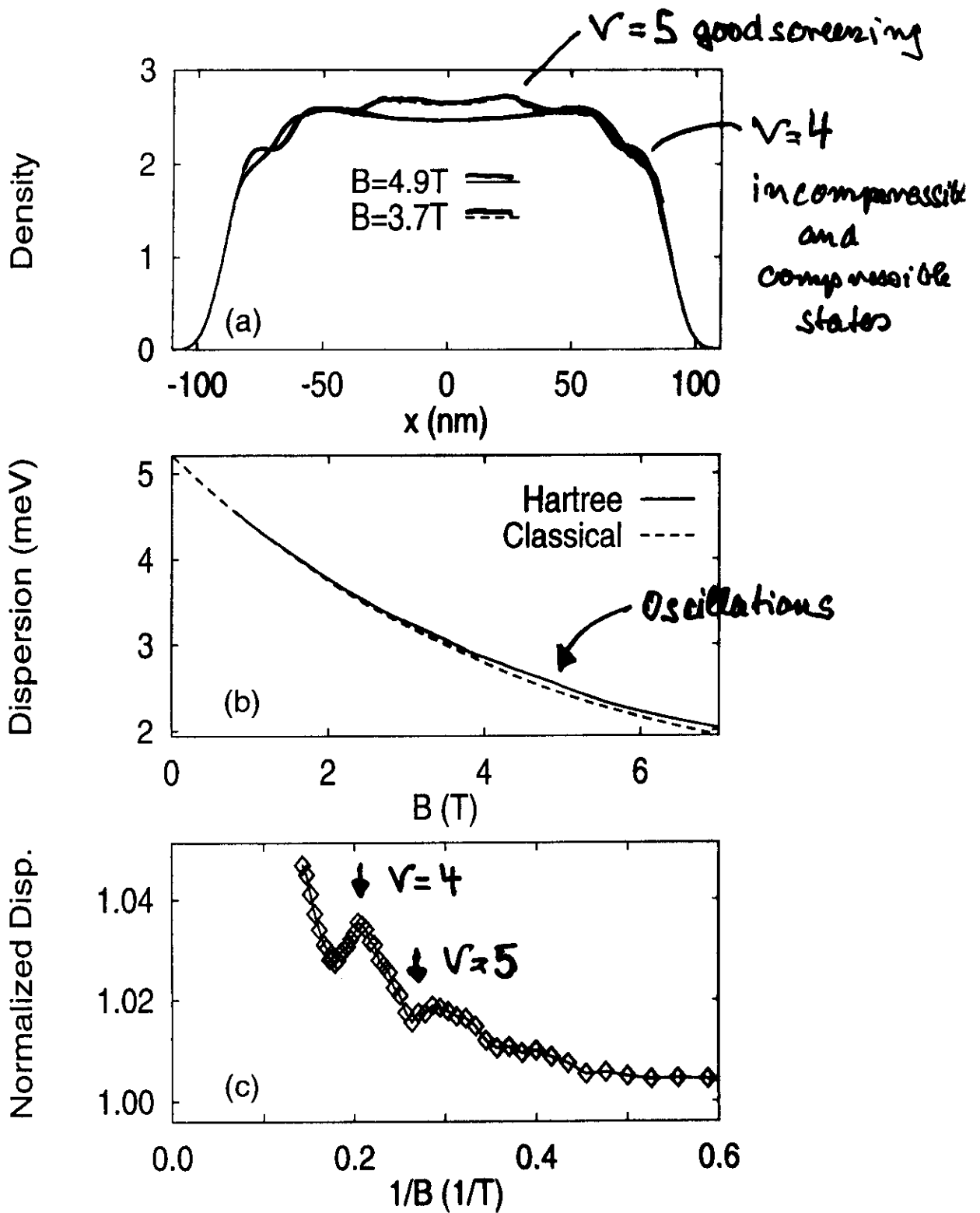
FILLING FACTOR DEPENDENT FREQUENCY
OSCILLATIONS
 FOR DOTS AND ANTIDOTS

FAN CHART OF THE FREQUENCY OSCILLATIONS

reverse behaviour for dots and antidots



SELF-CONSISTENT HARTREE CALCULATION RESONANCE FREQUENCY NORMALISED RESONANCE FREQUENCY VS $1/B$



OPTICAL AND ACOUSTIC PLASMON MODES IN TWO-LAYERED ANTIDOTS SYSTEMS

