

27. The energy levels are given by

$$E_{n_x, n_y} = \frac{h^2}{8m} \left[ \frac{n_x^2}{L_x^2} + \frac{n_y^2}{L_y^2} \right] = \frac{h^2}{8mL^2} \left[ n_x^2 + \frac{n_y^2}{4} \right]$$

where the substitutions  $L_x = L$  and  $L_y = 2L$  were made. In units of  $h^2/8mL^2$ , the energy levels are given by  $n_x^2 + n_y^2/4$ . The lowest five levels are  $E_{1,1} = 1.25$ ,  $E_{1,2} = 2.00$ ,  $E_{1,3} = 3.25$ ,  $E_{2,1} = 4.25$ , and  $E_{2,2} = E_{1,4} = 5.00$ . It is clear that there are no other possible values for the energy less than 5. The frequency of the light emitted or absorbed when the electron goes from an initial state  $i$  to a final state  $f$  is  $f = (E_f - E_i)/h$ , and in units of  $h/8mL^2$  is simply the difference in the values of  $n_x^2 + n_y^2/4$  for the two states. The possible frequencies are 0.75 ( $1,2 \rightarrow 1,1$ ), 2.00 ( $1,3 \rightarrow 1,1$ ), 3.00 ( $2,1 \rightarrow 1,1$ ), 3.75 ( $2,2 \rightarrow 1,1$ ), 1.25 ( $1,3 \rightarrow 1,2$ ), 2.25 ( $2,1 \rightarrow 1,2$ ), 3.00 ( $2,2 \rightarrow 1,2$ ), 1.00 ( $2,1 \rightarrow 1,3$ ), 1.75 ( $2,2 \rightarrow 1,3$ ), 0.75 ( $2,2 \rightarrow 2,1$ ), all in units of  $h/8mL^2$ .