

Void Transit: Between the Register Shells

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The void is the region between adjacent D-level register shells where the Tau-standing-wave amplitude falls below the node-sustaining threshold. Every register transition — chemical bonding, nuclear decay, quantum tunnelling, Hawking radiation — involves void transit. The void is not empty space; it is the inter-register gap of width $\Delta r(D) = r(D) \times (\sqrt{2}-1)$, and it carries Strand-2 address information without Strand-1 spatial embedding.

1. The Void as Inter-Register Gap

P-VOID-1 — Void Definition

The void at register D is the annular region between $r(D)$ and $r(D+1)$. Width: $\Delta r(D) = r(D+1) - r(D) = 18 \times (\sqrt{2})^D \times (\sqrt{2} - 1) = 18 \times (\sqrt{2})^D \times 0.41421356237\dots$. Within the void no Tau-standing-wave node exists. A particle in the void has no Strand-1 embedding — it exists only as a Strand-2 address record.

P-VOID-2 — Void Transit Carries Strand-2 Only

During void transit the Strand-1 spatial co-ordinate is undefined (the wave node does not exist). The Strand-2 address (quantum numbers, phase, temporal identity) is conserved exactly throughout the transit. Re-materialisation occurs when the Strand-2 address finds a compatible Strand-1 node at the destination register.

2. Physical Processes as Void Transit

P-VOID-3 — Quantum Tunnelling = Void Transit

A particle tunnelling through a classically forbidden barrier transits the void annulus between two D-level shells. The tunnelling probability is proportional to $\exp(-\Delta r(D)/\lambda_{dB})$, where λ_{dB} is the de Broglie wavelength. The exponential decay of tunnelling probability with barrier width is the direct measurement of void width.

P-VOID-4 — Chemical Bond Formation = Void Transit + Re-embedding

When two atoms form a chemical bond, their electron clouds transit the void between the $D=-3$ (atomic) and $D=-2$ (molecular) registers. The bond energy is the Tau-field energy released when the Strand-2 addresses of the two atoms merge into a single $D=-2$ node. Bond breaking is the reverse: energy input drives void transit back to separate $D=-3$ nodes.

P-VOID-5 — Nuclear Decay = $D=-4$ Void Transit

Alpha decay, beta decay, and nuclear fission are void transit events at the $D=-4$ (nuclear) register. The decay half-life is determined by the Tau-field amplitude ratio across the $D=-4$ void annulus: $t_{1/2} \propto \exp(2 \times \Delta r(D=-4)/\lambda_{nuclear})$. The Geiger-Nuttall law is a direct consequence of this void-width scaling.

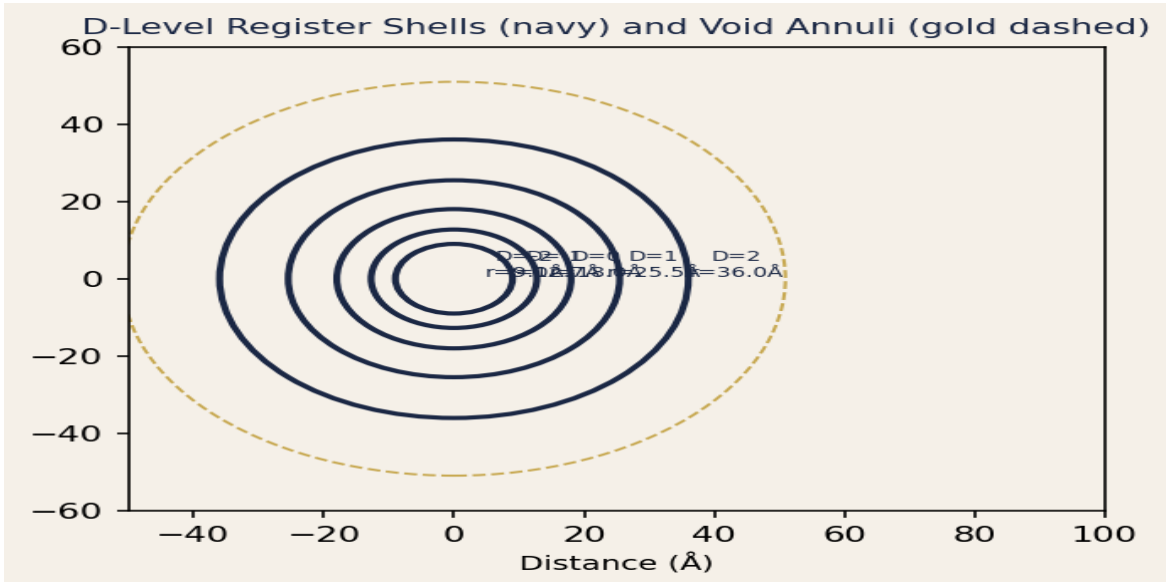


Figure 1. Concentric register shells $r(D) = 18 \times (\sqrt{2})^D$ (navy solid) and their void annuli of width $(\sqrt{2}-1) \times r(D)$ (gold dashed). Every physical transition crosses one of these voids.