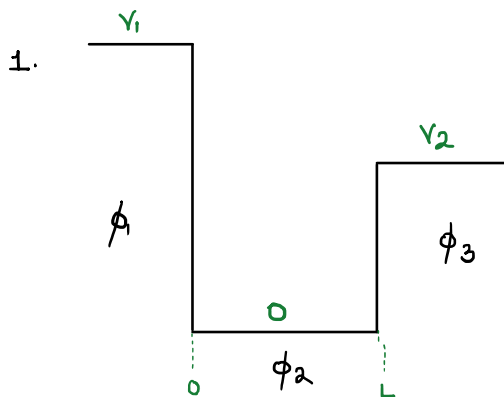


Tut Sheet 9



Bound states $\Rightarrow E < \min(V_1, V_2)$

$$\phi_1 = Ae^{-\alpha_1 x} + Be^{\alpha_1 x}$$

$$\alpha_1^2 = \frac{2m(V_1 - E)}{\hbar^2}$$

$$\phi_2 = Ce^{-ikx} + De^{ikx}$$

$$\alpha_2^2 = \frac{2m(V_2 - E)}{\hbar^2}$$

$$\phi_3 = Ee^{-\alpha_2 x} + Fe^{\alpha_2 x}$$

$$k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}$$

No incidence $\Rightarrow F = 0$ and $A = 0$

Continuity

$$(x=0) \Rightarrow \phi_1(0) = \phi_2(0) \Rightarrow B = C + D \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$(x=L) \Rightarrow \phi_2(L) = \phi_3(L) \Rightarrow Ce^{-ikL} + De^{ikL} = Ee^{-\alpha_2 L} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Differentiability

$$(x=0) \Rightarrow \alpha_1 B = -ikC + ikD \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$(x=L) \Rightarrow -ikCe^{-ikL} + ikDe^{ikL} = -\alpha_2 Ee^{-\alpha_2 L} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\alpha_1 C + \alpha_1 D = -ikC + ikD$$

$$-\alpha_2 Ce^{-ikL} - \alpha_2 De^{ikL} = -ikCe^{-ikL} + ikDe^{ikL}$$

$$C(\alpha_1 + ik) = D(-\alpha_1 + ik)$$

$$(Ce^{-ikL})(-\alpha_2 + ik) = (De^{ikL})(\alpha_2 + ik)$$

$$\frac{C}{D} = \frac{-\alpha_1 + ik}{\alpha_1 + ik}$$

$$\frac{C}{D} = \frac{(e^{2ikL})(\alpha_2 + ik)}{-\alpha_2 + ik}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-\alpha_1 + ik}{\alpha_1 + ik} &= \frac{(e^{2ikL})(\alpha_2 + ik)}{(-\alpha_2 + ik)} \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \alpha_2 - ik(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) - k^2 \\ &= (e^{2ikL})(\alpha_1 \alpha_2 + ik(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) - k^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha_1 \alpha_2 - k^2)(e^{2ikL} - 1) + ik(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)(e^{2ikL} + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha_1 \alpha_2 - k^2) \left(\frac{e^{iKL} - e^{-iKL}}{2} \right) + iK(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \left(\frac{e^{iKL} + e^{-iKL}}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$(\alpha_1 \alpha_2 - k^2) (i \sin KL) + iK(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \cos KL = 0$$

$$(\sin KL)(k^2 - \alpha_1 \alpha_2) = (K)(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \cos KL \Rightarrow \tan KL = \frac{K(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}{k^2 - \alpha_1 \alpha_2} //$$

When $V_1 \rightarrow \infty$, $\alpha_1^2 = \frac{2m(V_1 - E)}{\hbar^2} \rightarrow \infty$; apply limits to get $\tan KL = \frac{K(1)}{-\alpha_2}$

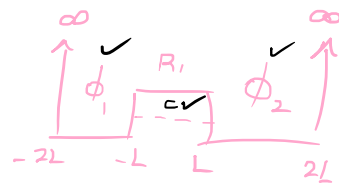
2. $\phi_1(x) = A \sin(kx) + B \cos(kx)$

By symmetry, $\phi_2(x) = -A \sin(kx) + B \cos(kx)$

at $x = (2L)^{-}$ $-A \sin(2KL) + B \cos(2KL) = 0$ —

at $x = (-L)^{-}$ $-A \sin(KL) + B \cos(KL) = C$ (—)

$A \cos(KL) + B \sin(KL) = 0$ ✓



(why not diff. condition here?)

$$\begin{aligned} A \sin(2KL) &= B \cos(2KL) \Rightarrow \frac{\sin(2KL)}{\cos(2KL)} = \frac{+\cos(KL)}{\sin(KL)} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sin(2KL) \sin(KL) \\ - \cos(2KL) \cos(KL) = 0 \end{cases} \\ A \cos(KL) &= +B \sin(KL) \end{aligned}$$

(KL)

(b) $C = -A \sin(KL) //$

(c) $B \cos(KL) = 0 \rightarrow B = 0 \Rightarrow \phi_1(x) = A \sin(kx)$

Normalize:- $\int_{-2L}^{2L} \psi^* \psi dx = 1$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \int_{-2L}^{-L} A^2 \sin^2(kx) dx + 2LC^2 = 1$$

$\Rightarrow A = 1/\sqrt{3L}$ (taking real)

use to get (b)

(~~Δx~~)
 $\sigma^2 = \int \Delta x^2 - (\Delta x)^2$

(Leaving Rest for exercise)

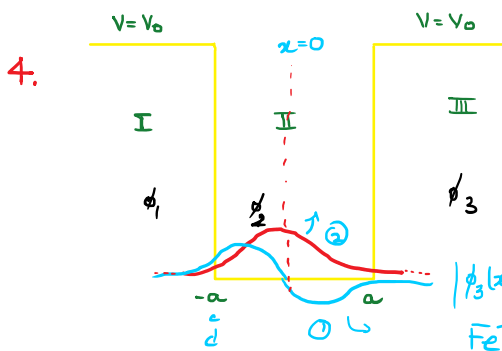
3. $\psi(x,0) = A(\phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_4)$

$$\Rightarrow \int \psi \psi^* dx = \int A^2 (\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2 + \phi_4^2) dx = 3A^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} e^{i\theta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ (for ease of calculations)}$$

b. $\psi(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left(\phi_1 e^{-\frac{iE_1 t}{\hbar}} + \phi_2 e^{-\frac{iE_2 t}{\hbar}} + \phi_4 e^{-\frac{iE_4 t}{\hbar}} \right)$ Superposition!

c. $\langle E \rangle$ (Solved in slides prev.) = $\frac{E_1 + E_2 + E_4}{3}$



$$\phi_1 = Ae^{\alpha x}$$

$$\phi_2 = C \sin kx + D \cos kx$$

$$\phi_3 = Fe^{-\alpha x}$$

$$k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}$$

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{2m(V_0 - E)}{\hbar^2}$$

Symmetric \Rightarrow Even parity & odd parity solutions.

$$A = F, C = 0$$

$$D = 0, A = F$$

$$Ae^{-\alpha a} = D \cos(ka)$$

$$Ae^{-\alpha a} = -C \sin(ka)$$

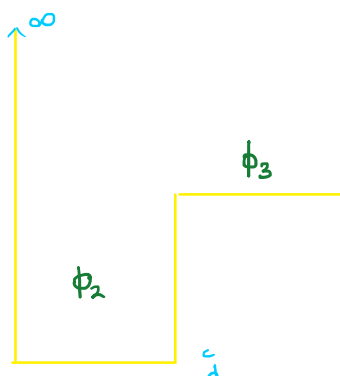
$$\alpha A e^{-\alpha a} = D k \sin(ka)$$

$$\alpha A e^{-\alpha a} = C k \cos(ka)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(ka) = \alpha/k \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$\tan(ka) = -k/\alpha \quad \text{--- ②}$$

For Semi-Infinite potential well

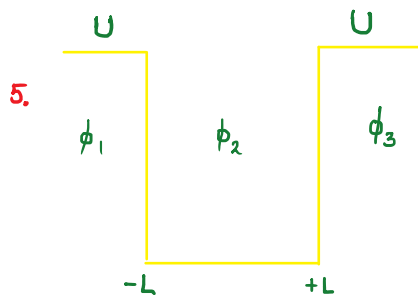


$$\phi_2 = A \cos(kx) + B \sin(kx)$$

$$\phi_3 = C e^{-\alpha x}$$

Solve to get $\tan(ka) = -k/\alpha$

\Downarrow
ONLY ODD parities
exist now!



$$\phi_1 = A e^{q x}$$

where $q^2 = \frac{2m(U-E)}{\hbar^2}$

$$\phi_2 = B \cos k x + C \sin k x$$

$$k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}$$

$$\phi_3 = A e^{-q x} \quad (\text{symmetry})$$

Even parity solutions

$$C = 0$$

at $x = -L$; $A e^{-qL} = B \cos kL$

$$A q e^{-qL} = B k \sin kL$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan kL = q/k \quad \text{--- ① ---} \leftarrow \text{Conditions} \rightarrow \tan kL = -k/q \quad \text{--- ② ---}$$

Odd parity Solutions

$$B = 0$$

at $x = (-L)$; $A e^{-qL} = -C \sin kL$

$$A q e^{-qL} = C k \cos kL$$

b, c are straight-forward now.



If particle could be found in R_2 , then $\psi(x) \neq 0$

However, as they are disjoint and particle is in R_1 ;

$$\psi(x) = \psi_1(x) = 0 \text{ at boundary.}$$

CONTRADICTION!

Therefore particle stays in R_1

b. $\psi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_1(x) + \psi_2(x)] \Rightarrow \psi(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\psi_1(x) e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} + \psi_2(x) e^{-iE_2 t/\hbar} \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi(x, t)|^2 &= \psi(x, t) \psi^*(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\psi_1 e^{-\frac{iE_1 t}{\hbar}} + \psi_2 e^{-\frac{iE_2 t}{\hbar}} \right] \left[\psi_1^* e^{\frac{iE_1 t}{\hbar}} + \psi_2^* e^{\frac{iE_2 t}{\hbar}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [|\psi_1|^2 + |\psi_2|^2] \quad R_1 \cap R_2 = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

(c) If $R_1 \cap R_2 \neq \emptyset$ then

$$|\psi(x, t)|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[|\psi_1|^2 + |\psi_2|^2 + \text{Re} \left[\psi_1(x) \psi_2^*(x) e^{\frac{i(E_1 - E_2)t}{\hbar}} \right] \right]$$

