

# phys 218 ch 6.1 review, take 2

↑ is the wave-function that is dependant on the potential field that allows us to calculate the probable values of the particles position, energy, and momentum

- cannot find exact -

NO Solve for  $x, E, p$

Solve instead for  $\langle x \rangle, \langle E \rangle, \langle p \rangle$

Time dependent schrodinger eq describes a particles moving through a field in 1 dimension

$$i\hbar \underbrace{\frac{\partial \psi(x,t)}{\partial t}}_{\text{the time?}} = - \underbrace{\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2}}_{\text{the position?}} + \underbrace{V \psi(x,t)}_{\text{the potential } V}$$

the classical wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x,t)}{\partial t^2}$$

~~not related~~

Schrodinger eq has no perturbation but does describe reality  
the wave function must be linear such that it can interfere with itself (sum) and form wave packets:

$$\psi(x,t) = a \psi_1(x,t) + b \psi_2(x,t)$$

a and b are constants

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wave waves satisfy the schrodinger eq



## Example 1

can we prove  $\Psi(x,t) = a\psi_1(x,t) + b\psi_2(x,t)$ ?

first take the derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t} = a \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} + b \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \text{ time 1}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial x} = a \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial x} + b \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial x} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \text{ pos 1}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2} = a \frac{\partial^2 \psi_1}{\partial x^2} + b \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \text{ pos 2}$$

time 1 and pos 2 are in schrodinger eq

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2} + V \Psi(x,t)$$

then combine the derivatives

$$V(a\psi_1 + b\psi_2)$$

$$i\hbar \left( a \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} + b \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} \right) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( a \frac{\partial^2 \psi_1}{\partial x^2} + b \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} \right) + V \Psi(x,t)$$

$$i\hbar a \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} + i\hbar b \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} a \frac{\partial^2 \psi_1}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} b \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} + V_a \psi_1 + V_b \psi_2$$

$$i\hbar a \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} a \frac{\partial^2 \psi_1}{\partial x^2} - V_a \psi_1 = -i\hbar b \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} b \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} + V_b \psi_2$$

$$a \left( i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_1}{\partial x^2} - V \psi_1 \right) = -b \left( i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} - V \psi_2 \right)$$

there's the same term so they were



For a wave of wave num  $k$  and angular frequency  $\omega$  moving in  $x$   
the wave function is

$$\Psi(x, t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t + \phi)$$

note that this is not the wave packet form because our function  
has pure sin and cosine and need not be real

$$\Psi(x, t) = A e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = A [\cos(kx - \omega t) + i \sin(kx - \omega t)]$$

$A$  may also be complex

Example 2

if  $\Psi(x, t) = A e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$  can we show  $A e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$   
satisfies schrodinger

$$\frac{\partial \Psi(x, t)}{\partial t} = -i\omega A e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = -i\omega \Psi$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi(x, t)}{\partial x} = ik A e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = ik \Psi$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x, t)}{\partial x^2} = i^2 k^2 \Psi = -k^2 \Psi$$

$$i\hbar(-i\omega \Psi) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(-k^2 \Psi) + V \Psi$$

$$\left( \hbar\omega - \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} - V \right) \Psi = 0 \quad \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \rightarrow \\ \downarrow \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} E = \hbar\omega = \hbar\omega \\ p = \hbar k \end{matrix}$$

$$\left( E - \frac{p^2}{2m} - V \right) = 0$$

because  $E = K + V = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V$   $\rightarrow$  A true Non Relativistic

this shows  $\Psi(x, t) = A e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$  is an acceptable  
form of the schrodinger eq



Chs has demonstrated wavefunctions  $\psi(x,t)$  of the Schrödinger eq.  $\psi(x,t)$  is time dependent

Now for normalization and probability

Probability interpretation: the probability  $P(x)dx$  of finding a particle between  $x$  and  $x+dx$

$$P(x)dx = \psi^*(x,t) \psi(x,t) dx$$

$$P = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \psi^* \psi dx \leftarrow \text{Probability}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^*(x,t) \psi(x,t) dx = 1 \leftarrow \text{Normalized}$$

because the previous more case

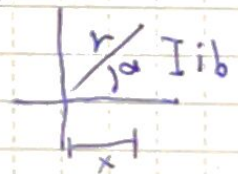
- Complex interpretation -

If  $z$  is a complex number  $z = a + bi$  then the complex conjugate of

$$z, \bar{z} = a - bi \quad z = a + bi = re^{i\alpha} \text{ (Euler) same complex \& version}$$

$$z\bar{z} = (a+bi)(a-bi) = a^2 - abi + abi + b^2i^2 = a^2 + 0 + (-1)b^2$$

$$a^2 - b^2 = z\bar{z}$$



- resume -

Factoring

$$z^* z = (a+bi)(a-bi) \text{ where } z \text{ is real } z = a - 0i$$

$$\text{so } z^* z = (a+0i)(a-0i) = a^2 = z^2 \text{ done!}$$



There was normalization and probability for the time dependent schrodinger eq

time independent schrodinger eq

more precisely with time depend on the time and time and pos could be separated

$$\Psi(x, t) = \psi(x) f(t)$$

(break into schrodinger)

$$i\hbar \psi(x) \frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \psi(x) f(t)$$

divide by  $\psi(x) f(t)$

$$i\hbar \frac{1}{f(t)} \frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{\psi(x)} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + V(x)$$

the left side depends  
exclusively on time

the right side depends  
exclusively on pos

Since each side is an independent variable they must also be equal to a constant (labeled B) can we take B = iC?

Thus:

$$i\hbar \frac{1}{f(t)} \frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t} = B \rightarrow \cancel{i\hbar} \frac{1}{f} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = B \rightarrow i\hbar \frac{\partial f}{f} = B dt$$

$$i\hbar \int \frac{df}{f} = \int B dt \rightarrow i\hbar \ln f = Bt + C \leftarrow \text{we can throw off } C \text{ as } 0$$

thus

$$\ln f = \frac{Bt}{i\hbar}$$

$$\text{thus} \rightarrow f(t) = e^{\frac{Bt}{i\hbar}} = e^{-iBt/\hbar}$$



compared to  $\delta(t)$  for time dependence ( $e^{-i\omega t}$ )

$$B = \hbar\omega = E$$

$$B = E$$

$$i\hbar \frac{1}{\delta(t)} \frac{d\delta(t)}{dt} = E$$

thus

More important

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi(x)}{dx^2} + V(x)\psi(x) = E\psi(x) \right] \text{ this is the time-independent Schrödinger wave equation}$$

$$\delta(t) = e^{-iBt/\hbar} = e^{-i\omega t} \quad \text{thus} \quad \Psi(x,t) = \psi(x) e^{-i\omega t}$$

the probability density  $\Psi^* \Psi = \psi^2(x) (e^{i\omega t} e^{-i\omega t}) = \psi^2(x)$   
where the potential is not time dependent the probability density is constant in time and depends only on position



## Expectation values *help this is ch1 day 1 please qora help me*

the expectation value is the avg value of a property (pos, momentum, E) in a wave function taken over many measurements

the equation for average where  $N_i$  is the number of times particle  $x$  was observed at pos  $i$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{N_1 x_1 + N_2 x_2 + \dots + N_i x_i}{N_1 + N_2 + \dots + N_i} = \frac{\sum N_i x_i}{\sum N_i}$$

*these variables are discrete but our function is continuous*

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x P(x) dx}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(x) dx}$$

$$P(x) dx = \psi^*(x, t) \psi(x, t) dx$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \psi^*(x, t) \psi(x, t) dx}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^*(x, t) \psi(x, t) dx}$$

*this is the normalization equation and it is = 1*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^*(x, t) \psi(x, t) dx$$

*If the wave function is not normalized use this*

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \psi^*(x, t) \psi(x, t) dx$$

*this procedure can be used to find the expectation value for a function  $g(x)$  for a normalized wave function*

$$\langle g(x) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^*(x, t) g(x) \psi(x, t) dx$$

*the wave function can only give the expectation value for a function  $g$  that is written in terms of  $x$  ie cannot give individual measurements*



consider the wave function of the free particle  $\psi(x, t) = e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = i k e^{i(kx - \omega t)} = i k \psi \quad \text{und known: } k = p/\hbar$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = i \frac{p}{\hbar} \psi$$

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re-arrangement

$$p[\psi(x, t)] = -i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x}$$

operator is a function that transforms one into another.  $\hat{Q}$  to be an operator

$$\hat{Q} f(x) = g(x)$$

is an operator:  $-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$  is an operator on the function  $\psi(x, t)$

$$\hat{p} \text{ is the momentum operator } -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \text{ and } -i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x} = \hat{p} \psi(x, t)$$

every physical observable has an operator used to compute the expectation value

$$\langle Q \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^*(x, t) \hat{Q} \psi(x, t) dx$$

$\hat{Q}$  must operate on  $\psi(x, t)$

the expectation value of  $Q$  ( $\langle Q \rangle$ ) is the integral over the wave function is operated on by the operator of  $Q$



$$z = a + bi \quad a \text{ and } b \text{ are constant real numbers}$$

$$\bar{z} = a - bi$$

$$z\bar{z} = (a+bi)(a-bi) = a^2 + abi - abi + i^2 b^2 = a^2 + 0 + (-1)b^2 = a^2 - b^2$$

$$z^* z = (a+bi)(a-bi) = z\bar{z} = a^2 - b^2$$

don't forget

$$K = a + bi = 8 + (0)i$$

$$K^* K = (8+0i)(8-0i) = 8 \times 8 = 8^2 = K^2$$

So the expectation value of  $p$  is

$$\langle p \rangle = -i\hbar \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^*(x,t) \frac{\partial \psi(x,t)}{\partial x} dx$$

take the time derivative

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} e^{i(\pi x - \omega t)} = -i\omega e^{i(\pi x - \omega t)} = -i\omega \psi$$

$$\omega = E/\hbar \text{ because } E = \hbar\omega$$

$$\hat{E} = \text{energy operator} = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

$$E[\psi(x,t)] = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi(x,t)}{\partial t}$$

$$\langle E \rangle = i\hbar \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^*(x,t) \frac{\partial \psi(x,t)}{\partial t} dx$$