

## 1 Parseval's Theorem

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(x)|^2 dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(k)|^2 dk$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(x)|^2 dx &= \int \left( \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \phi(k) e^{ikx} dk \right) \left( \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \phi^*(k') e^{-ik'x} dk' \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \int \int \phi(k) \phi^*(k') e^{i(k-k')x} dk' dk dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \int \phi(k) \phi^*(k') 2\pi \delta(k-k') dk dk' \\ &= \int \phi(k) \phi^*(k) dk \end{aligned}$$

To evaluate the  $\int e^{ikx} dx$  integral,

$$\int_{-L}^L e^{ikx} dx = \frac{2 \sin(kL)}{L}$$

The central peak between the two roots closest to  $x = 0$  is roughly triangular, height  $2L$ , width  $\frac{2\pi}{L}$ , so the area is

$$\frac{1}{2} 2L \frac{2\pi}{L} = 2\pi$$

letting  $L \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx} dx = 2\pi \delta(k)$$

## 2 Fourier transform of a square wave packet

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(k) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} e^{-ikx} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi d}} \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} e^{-ikx} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi d}} \frac{2 \sin(\frac{dk}{2})}{k} \end{aligned}$$

The width of  $\psi(x)$  (which can also be defined as the distance between the first two zeroes) is clearly

$$d$$

while the width of  $\phi(k)$  is

$$\frac{4\pi}{d}$$

### 3 Momentum distribution due to slit and their diffraction patterns

Let  $\psi(x, y) \sim \psi_x(x)\psi_y(y)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_x(x) &\sim [-d/2 < x < d/2] \\ \phi_x(k_x) &\sim \frac{2 \sin(\frac{dk_x}{2})}{k_x}\end{aligned}$$

Where  $\phi_x(k_x)$  is the probability distribution for the  $x$  component of the wavevector  $k_x$ . For the particle to land on  $x'$ , the ratio momenta upon leaving the slit must be  $x' : L$ ; this is the same as the ratio of wavenumber since  $p \sim k$ . Hence

$$k_x = \frac{k_0 x'}{L}$$

Also we have  $k_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$ . The argument to the sin function in  $\phi(k_x)$  is then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dk_x}{2} &= \frac{d(2\pi/\lambda)(x'/L)}{2} \\ &= \frac{d\pi x'}{\lambda L} \\ &= Ax'\end{aligned}$$

Which is the answer up to normalization.

### 4 de Broglie wavelength of macroscopic objects

### 5 Gaussian wavepacket in free space

a)

$$\begin{aligned}\int dx e^{-ikx} \psi(x) &\sim \int dx e^{-(ikx + \frac{x^2}{4w_0^2})} \\ &= \int dx e^{-(\frac{x}{2w_0} + ikw_0)^2} e^{-k^2 w_0^2} \\ &= 2\sqrt{\pi} w_0 e^{-k^2 w_0^2}\end{aligned}$$

Where

$$w_0 = \frac{1}{2k_0}$$

For the pile of multiplicative factors in front we can note that  $\phi(k)$  must be normalized, ie have the same form as  $\psi(x)$ .

b)

$$w_0 k_0 = \frac{1}{2}$$