

General Formulas

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$
$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\delta x^2} + V(x) \Psi(x,t) = i \hbar \frac{\delta \Psi(x,t)}{\delta t}$$
$$\sin \alpha + \sin \beta = 2 \cos \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}$$

Light

\mathcal{E}_0 =WaveAmplitude	n =IndexOfRefraction
k =Wavenumber	a =SingleSlitWidth
ω =Wavelength	h =Planck'sConstant
T =Period	K =KineticEnergy
ν =OrdinaryFrequency	W =WorkFunction
ϕ =PhaseShift	p =momentum
c =SpeedOfLightVacuum	

$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_0 \cos(kx - \omega t) \quad (1.1)$$
$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \quad (1.2)$$
$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 2\pi \nu \quad (1.3)$$
$$\nu = 1/T$$
$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_0 \cos(kx - \omega t + \phi) \quad (1.6)$$
$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \quad (1.7)$$

$$\omega = kc \quad (1.11)$$
$$\omega \nu = c \quad (1.12)$$
$$\frac{\delta^2 \mathcal{E}}{\delta x^2} - \frac{n^2}{c} \frac{\delta^2 \mathcal{E}}{\delta t^2} = 0 \quad (1.13)$$
$$\lambda \nu = \frac{c}{n} \quad (1.14)$$

$$a \sin \theta = n \lambda \quad (\text{minima})$$
$$E = h \nu \quad (1.18)$$
$$K = h \nu - W \quad (1.19)$$
$$h \nu_0 = hc / \lambda_0 = W \quad (1.20)$$

$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda} \quad (1.21)$$
$$\lambda' - \lambda = \frac{h}{mc} (1 - \cos \theta) \quad (1.28) \quad \text{Compton}$$

The First Principle of Quantum Mechanics

$$\textit{The probability of an event} = z^* z \quad (1.32)$$

The Second Principle of Quantum Mechanics

To determine the probability amplitude for a process that can be viewed as taking place in a series of steps we multiply the probability amplitudes for each of these steps.

$$z = z_a z_b \cdots \quad (1.38)$$

The Third Principle of Quantum Mechanics

If there are multiple ways that an event can occur we add the amplitudes for each of these ways.

$$z = z_1 + z_2 + \cdots \quad (1.47)$$

$$\phi = kx$$

$$z = x + iy = r \cos \phi + ir \sin \phi = r e^{i\phi}$$

$$z^* = x - iy = r \cos \phi - ir \sin \phi = r e^{-i\phi}$$

Wave Mechanics

*In this section we assume a free particle, $V(x)=0$

j =ProbabilityCurrent	Δx =Uncertainty
$\langle x \rangle$ =ExpectationValue	

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} \quad (2.1) \quad \text{de Broglie wavelength}$$
$$d \sin \theta = n \lambda \quad (2.3) \quad (\text{maxima})$$
$$x_{n+1} - x_n = \frac{L \lambda}{d} \quad (2.4)$$
$$2d \sin \theta = n \lambda \quad (2.5) \quad \text{Bragg relation}$$
$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta \Psi(x,t)}{\delta x^2} + V(x) \Psi(x,t) = i \hbar \frac{\delta \Psi(x,t)}{\delta t} \quad (2.6)$$
$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta \Psi(x,t)}{\delta x^2} = i \hbar \frac{\delta \Psi(x,t)}{\delta t} \quad (2.7)$$
$$\frac{\delta^2 \mathcal{E}}{\delta x^2} = \frac{n^2}{c} \frac{\delta^2 \mathcal{E}}{\delta t^2} \quad (2.8)$$
$$E = h \nu - \frac{h}{2\pi} 2\pi \nu = \hbar \omega \quad (2.9)$$
$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda} = \frac{h}{2\pi} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \hbar k \quad (2.10)$$

$$\hbar \omega = \hbar k c \quad (2.11)$$

$$E = pc \quad (2.12)$$

$$\hbar \omega = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} \quad (2.15)$$

$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda} = \hbar k \quad (2.16)$$

$$E = h \nu = \hbar \omega \quad (2.17)$$

$$E = \frac{p^2}{2m} \quad (2.18)$$
$$|\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx = \textit{the probability of finding the particle between } x \textit{ and } x+dx \textit{ at the time } t \textit{ if a measurement of the particle's position is carried out}$$

$$|\Psi(x,t)|^2 \quad \text{probability density}$$
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx = 1 \quad (2.19)$$
$$\frac{\delta |\Psi|^2}{\delta t} = \frac{\Psi^* \Psi}{\delta t} = \Psi^* \frac{\delta \Psi}{\delta t} + \Psi \frac{\delta \Psi^*}{\delta t} \quad (2.20)$$

$$j_x(x,t) = \frac{\hbar}{2mi} (\Psi^* \frac{\delta \Psi}{\delta t} + \Psi \frac{\delta \Psi^*}{\delta t}) \quad (2.24)$$
$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx = -j_x(x,t)|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = 0$$
$$\Psi(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(k) e^{i(kx - \omega t)} dk \quad (2.29)$$

$$\Delta x \Delta k \geq \frac{1}{2} \quad (2.30)$$
$$\Delta x \Delta p_x \geq \frac{\hbar}{2} \quad (2.31) \quad \text{Heisenberg}$$
$$v_{ph} = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{2\pi \nu}{(2\pi/\lambda)} = \lambda \nu \quad (2.33)$$

The phase velocity is the speed at which a point on the wave, such as a crest, moves.

$$v_{ph} = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{\hbar \omega}{\hbar k} = \frac{E}{p} = \frac{mv^2/2}{\frac{v}{2}} \quad (2.34)$$

$$v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} \quad (2.36)$$

The group velocity is the speed of a localized packet of waves that has been generated by superposing many waves together

$$\Psi(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(k) e^{i(kx - \omega t)} dk \quad (2.37)$$

$$\omega \cong \omega_0 + v_g (k - k_0) \quad (2.39)$$

Dispersion relation is the relationship between ω and k $\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x |\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx$ (2.53)

The average values $\langle x \rangle$ are referred to as the expectation values

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 |\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx \quad (2.55)$$

$$(\Delta x)^2 = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2 \quad (2.56)$$

Δx , the standard deviation, is also called the uncertainty

$$(\Delta p_x)^2 = \langle p_x^2 \rangle - \langle p_x \rangle^2 \quad (2.57)$$

$$\frac{d \langle x \rangle}{dt} = \frac{\langle p_x \rangle}{m} \quad (2.58)$$

$$\langle p_x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\delta \Psi}{\delta x} dx \quad (2.63)$$

$$\frac{d \langle p_x \rangle}{dt} = \langle -\frac{\delta V}{\delta x} \rangle \quad (2.64)$$

The Time-Independent Schrödinger Equation

*In this section we assume $V(x)$ is independent of t

δ_{nm} =KroneckerDelta	ψ_a =Eigenfunction
a =Eigenvalue	T =TransmissionCoef.

$$\Psi(x,t) = \psi(x) f(t) \quad (3.2)$$
$$\frac{\delta^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\delta x^2} = f(t) \frac{d^2 \psi(x)}{dx^2} \quad (3.3)$$
$$\frac{\delta \Psi(x,t)}{\delta t} = \psi(x) \frac{df(t)}{dt} \quad (3.4)$$
$$\frac{df(t)}{dt} = \frac{-iE}{\hbar} f(t) \quad (3.8)$$
$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta \psi(x)}{\delta x^2} + V(x) \psi(x) = E \psi(x) \quad (3.9)$$
$$f(t) = f(0) e^{-iEt/\hbar} \quad (3.10)$$
$$f(t) = f(0) e^{-i\omega t} \quad (3.11)$$
$$E = \hbar \omega \quad (3.12)$$
$$\Psi(x,t) = \psi(x) e^{-iEt/\hbar} \quad (3.13)$$
$$|\Psi(x,t)|^2 = |\psi(x)|^2 \quad (3.14)$$

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 < x < L. \\ \infty, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta \psi}{\delta x^2} = E \psi \quad (3.16) \quad 0 < x < L$$
$$k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \quad (3.17)$$
$$\psi(x) = A \sin kx + B \cos kx \quad (3.21) \quad 0 < x < L$$
$$k_n = \frac{n\pi}{L} \quad (3.26)$$
$$E_n = \frac{\hbar k_n^2}{2m} = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2 \pi^2}{2m L^2} \quad (3.27)$$
$$\psi(x) = A_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \quad (3.28) \quad 0 < x < L$$

$$\psi_n(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}, & 0 < x < L. \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

$$\Psi(x) = c_1 \psi_1(x) + c_2 \psi_2(x) \quad (3.38)$$

$$c_1(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} \quad (3.39)$$

$$\Psi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \psi_n(x) \quad (3.40)$$

$$\delta_{nm} = \begin{cases} 1, & m = n. \\ 0, & m \neq n. \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_x^*(x) \psi_n(x) dx = \delta_{nm} \quad (3.49)$$

$$|c_n|^2 = P_n \quad (3.59)$$

The above is the probability of obtaining E_n if a measurement of the energy of a particle with wave function Ψ is carried out

$$\langle E \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 E_n \quad (3.61)$$

$$A_{op} \psi_a = a \psi_a \quad (3.63)$$

$$x_{op} = x \quad (3.64)$$

$$p_{xop} = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \quad (3.65)$$

$$E_{op} = \frac{(p_{xop})^2}{2m} + V(x_{op}) \quad (3.71)$$

$$H \equiv E_{op} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta^2}{\delta x^2} + V(x) \quad (3.72)$$

$$\langle E \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* H \Psi dx \quad (3.81)$$

One-Dimensional Potentials

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & |x| < a/2. \\ V_0, & |x| > a/2. \end{cases}$$

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$
$$\psi(x) = A e^{ikx} + B e^{-ikx} \quad |x| < a/2$$
$$\kappa = \frac{\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E)}}{\hbar} > 0$$
$$\psi(x) = C e^{\kappa x} + D e^{-\kappa x} \quad |x| > a/2$$

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} C e^{\kappa x}, & x \leq -a/2. \\ 2A \cos kx, & -a/2 \leq x \leq a/2. \\ C e^{-\kappa x}, & x \geq a/2. \end{cases}$$

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0. \\ V_0, & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$
$$k_0 = \sqrt{k^2 - \frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2}}$$
$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} A e^{ikx} + B e^{-ikx}, & x < 0. \\ C e^{ik_0 x}, & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

$$j_x = \begin{cases} \frac{\hbar k}{m} (|A|^2 - |B|^2), & x < 0. \\ \frac{\hbar k_0}{m} |C|^2, & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

$$T \cong \left(\frac{4\kappa k}{k^2 + \kappa^2} \right)^2 e^{-2\kappa a}$$