

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	

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

$$\omega = kc \tag{1.11}$$
$$\omega \nu = c \tag{1.12}$$
$$\frac{\delta^2 \mathcal{E}}{\delta x^2} - \frac{n^2}{c} \frac{\delta^2 \mathcal{E}}{\delta t^2} = 0 \tag{1.13}$$
$$\lambda \nu = \frac{c}{n} \tag{1.14}$$
$$a \sin \theta = n \lambda \text{ (minima)}$$

$$E = h\nu \tag{1.18}$$
$$K = h\nu - W \tag{1.19}$$
$$h\nu_0 = hc/\lambda_0 = W \tag{1.20}$$

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

The First Principle of Quantum Mechanics

$$\textit{The probability of an event} = z^* z \tag{1.32}$$

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.

$$z = z_a z_b \cdots \tag{1.38}$$

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.

$$z = z_1 + z_2 + \cdots \tag{1.47}$$

$$\phi = kx$$

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

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

Wave Mechanics

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

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

$$\hbar\omega = \hbar kc \tag{2.11}$$
$$E = pc \tag{2.12}$$
$$\hbar\omega = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} \tag{2.15}$$
$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda} = \hbar k \tag{2.16}$$
$$E = h\nu = \hbar\omega \tag{2.17}$$
$$E = \frac{p^2}{2m} \tag{2.18}$$

$|\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx$ =the probability of finding the particle between x and $x+dx$ at the time t if a measurement of the particle's position is carried out

$|\Psi(x,t)|^2$ probability density

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx = 1 \tag{2.19}$$
$$\frac{\delta |\Psi|^2}{\delta t} = \frac{\Psi^* \Psi}{\delta t} = \Psi^* \frac{\delta \Psi}{\delta t} + \Psi \frac{\delta \Psi^*}{\delta t} \tag{2.20}$$
$$j_x(x,t) = \frac{\hbar}{2mi} (\Psi^* \frac{\delta \Psi}{\delta t} + \Psi \frac{\delta \Psi^*}{\delta t}) \tag{2.24}$$
$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx = -j_x(x,t)|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = 0$$
$$\Psi(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(k) e^{i(kx - \omega t)} dk \tag{2.29}$$
$$\Delta x \Delta k \geq \frac{1}{2} \tag{2.30}$$

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

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

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

$v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} \tag{2.36}$
The group velocity is the speed of a localized packet of waves that has been generated by superposing many waves together

$$\Psi(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(k) e^{i(kx - \omega t)} dk \tag{2.37}$$
$$\omega \cong \omega_0 + v_g(k - k_0) \tag{2.39}$$

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

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

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

$$(\Delta x)^2 = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2 \tag{2.56}$$

Δx , the standard deviation, is also called the uncertainty

$$(\Delta p_x)^2 = \langle p_x^2 \rangle - \langle p_x \rangle^2 \tag{2.57}$$

$$\frac{d\langle x \rangle}{dt} = \frac{\langle p_x \rangle}{m} \tag{2.58}$$

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

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

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 =TransmissionCoeef.

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

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 < x < L. \\ \infty, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$
$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta \psi}{\delta x^2} = E \psi \tag{3.16} \quad 0 < x < L$$
$$k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \tag{3.17}$$
$$\psi(x) = A \sin kx + B \cos kx \tag{3.21} \quad 0 < x < L$$
$$k_n = \frac{n\pi}{L} \tag{3.26}$$
$$E_n = \frac{\hbar k_n^2}{2m} = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2 \pi^2}{2m L^2} \tag{3.27}$$
$$\psi(x) = A_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \tag{3.28} \quad 0 < x < L$$
$$\psi_n(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}, & 0 < x < L. \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

$$\Psi(x) = c_1 \psi_1(x) + c_2 \psi_2(x) \tag{3.38}$$
$$c_1(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} \tag{3.39}$$
$$\Psi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \psi_n(x) \tag{3.40}$$

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

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_x^*(x) \psi_n(x) dx = \delta_{nm} \tag{3.49}$$
$$|c_n|^2 = P_n \tag{3.59}$$

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

$$\langle E \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 E_n \tag{3.61}$$
$$A_{op} \psi_a = a \psi_a \tag{3.63}$$
$$x_{op} = x \tag{3.64}$$
$$p_{xop} = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \tag{3.65}$$
$$E_{op} = \frac{(p_{xop})^2}{2m} + V(x_{op}) \tag{3.71}$$
$$H \equiv E_{op} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta^2}{\delta x^2} + V(x) \tag{3.72}$$
$$\langle E \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* H \Psi dx \tag{3.81}$$

One-Dimensional Potentials

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

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

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

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

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$
$$k_0 = \sqrt{k^2 - \frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} A e^{ikx} + B e^{-ikx}, & x < 0. \\ C e^{ik_0 x}, & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

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

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

Principles of Quantum Mechanics

Constants

$$\hbar = 6.582 \times 10^{-16}$$

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12}$$

$$e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$k_B = 8.617 \times 10^{-5}$$

$\Psi^* \Psi dx$ is the probability of finding the particle between x and $x + dx$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* \Psi dx = 1 \quad (5.97)$$

A Hermitian operator satisfies:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi^* A_{op} \psi dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (A_{op} \phi)^* \psi dx \quad (5.98)$$

$$A_{op} \psi_a = a \psi_a \quad (5.99)$$

Orthonormal wave functions satisfy:

$$\Psi = \sum_a c_a \psi_a \quad (5.100)$$

Probability of obtaining a :

$$|c_a|^2 = \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_a^* \Psi dx \right|^2 \quad (5.101)$$

Average or expectation value:

$$\langle A \rangle = \sum_a |c_a|^2 a = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* A_{op} \Psi dx \quad (5.102)$$

Commutator:

$$[A_{op}, B_{op}] = A_{op} B_{op} - B_{op} A_{op} \quad (5.103)$$

$$\text{If: } [A_{op}, B_{op}] = i C_{op} \quad (5.104)$$

$$\text{Then: } \Delta A \Delta B \geq \frac{|\langle C \rangle|}{2} \quad (5.105)$$

$$\Delta x \Delta p_x \geq \frac{\hbar}{2} \quad (5.106)$$

$$[x_{op}, p_{x_{op}}] = i\hbar \quad (5.107)$$

$$H \Psi(x, t) = i\hbar \frac{\delta \Psi(x, t)}{\delta t} \quad (5.108)$$

Hamiltonian, the energy operator:

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\delta^2}{\delta x^2} + V(x) \quad (5.109)$$

Expectation values $\frac{d\langle A \rangle}{dt} =$:

$$\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* [H, A_{op}] \Psi dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* \frac{\delta A_{op}}{\delta t} \Psi dx$$

If the Hamiltonian commutes with the operator corresponding to the observable A and $\delta A_{op} / \delta t = 0$, then $\langle A \rangle$ is independent of time.

$$\Delta E \left| \frac{\Delta A}{\frac{d\langle A \rangle}{dt}} \right| \geq \frac{\hbar}{2} \quad (5.111)$$

$$\Delta E \Delta t \geq \frac{\hbar}{2} \quad (5.112)$$

Parity operator:

$$\Pi \psi(x) = \psi(-x) \quad (5.4)$$

If there exists a single eigenfunction with eigenvalue a then its nondegenerate.

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

$$p_{x_{op}} = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \quad (3.66)$$

Quantum Mechanics in Three Dimensions

Cubic Box:

$$E_{n_x, n_y, n_z} = \frac{(n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2} \quad (6.104)$$

Hydrogenic Atom:

$$E_n = -\frac{mZ^2 e^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 2\hbar^2 n^2} = -\frac{(1.36\text{eV})Z^2}{n^2} \quad (6.105)$$

Allowed values of l :

$$l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

Angular momentum operator:

$$L_{op}^2 = L_{x_{op}}^2 + L_{y_{op}}^2 + L_{z_{op}}^2$$
$$L_{op}^2 Y_{l, m_l}(\theta, \phi) = l(l+1) \hbar^2 Y_{l, m_l}(\theta, \phi) \quad (6.106)$$

The eigenfunctions Y_{l, m_l} , the spherical harmonics, also satisfy:

$$L_{op} Y_{l, m_l}(\theta, \phi) = m_l \hbar Y_{l, m_l}(\theta, \phi) \quad (6.107)$$

The energies (6.105) are independent of

m_l because of the rotational symmetry of the potential energy $-Ze^2/4\pi\epsilon_0 r$

The maximum value for L_z is $l\hbar$ which is always less than the total angular

momentum $\sqrt{l(l+1)}\hbar$

$$[L_{x_{op}}, L_{y_{op}}] = i\hbar L_{z_{op}}$$

$$[L_{y_{op}}, L_{z_{op}}] = i\hbar L_{x_{op}}$$

$$[L_{z_{op}}, L_{x_{op}}] = i\hbar L_{y_{op}} \quad (6.108)$$

$$\Delta L_x \Delta y \geq \frac{\hbar}{2} |\langle L_z \rangle| \quad (6.109)$$

Spin angular momentum S :

χ_{\pm} are two dimensional column vectors:

$$S_{op}^2 \chi_{\pm} = s(s+1) \hbar^2 \chi_{\pm} \quad s = 1/2 \quad (6.110)$$

$$S_{z_{op}} \chi_{\pm} = \pm \frac{\hbar}{2} \chi_{\pm} \quad (6.111)$$

The magnetic moment:

$$\mu = 2.00232 \left(\frac{-e}{2m} \right) S \quad (6.112)$$

The spherical harmonics with

$$l = 0, l = 1, \text{ and } l = 2$$

$$Y_{0,0}(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4\pi}}$$

$$Y_{1,\pm 1}(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin \theta e^{\pm i\theta}$$

$$Y_{1,0}(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \cos \theta$$

$$Y_{2,\pm 2}(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{15}{32\pi}} \sin^2 \theta e^{\pm 2i\theta}$$

$$Y_{2,\pm 1}(\theta, \phi) = \mp \sqrt{\frac{15}{8\pi}} \sin \theta \cos \theta e^{\pm i\theta}$$

$$Y_{2,0}(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{5}{16\pi}} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1)$$

These spherical harmonics are the eigenfunctions.

For a three dimensional box from 0 to L the energy eigenfunctions (ψ_{n_x, n_y, n_z}) are:

$$\left(\frac{2}{L} \right)^{3/2} \sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{L} \sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{L} \sin \frac{n_z \pi z}{L}$$

The Energy Eigenvalues are:

$$E_{n_x, n_y, n_z} = \frac{(n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2}$$

Identical Particles

Bosons are symmetric under particle

exchange, Fermions are anti-symmetric.

Bosons have integral intrinsic spin,

Fermions have half integral intrinsic spin.

Valid Boson states:

$$\Psi_S(1, 2) = \psi_{\alpha}(1) \psi_{\alpha}(2) \quad (7.104)$$

$$\Psi_S(1, 2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_{\alpha}(1) \psi_{\beta}(2) + \psi_{\beta}(1) \psi_{\alpha}(2)]$$

Bosons are more likely to be in the same state than are distinguishable particles.

The average number of identical Bosons in a state with energy E in thermal

equilibrium at temperature T is given by:

$$n(E) = \frac{1}{e^{(E-\mu)/k_b T} - 1} \quad (7.106)$$

Where μ is the chemical potential.

Valid Fermions:

$$\Psi_A(1, 2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_{\alpha}(1) \psi_{\beta}(2) - \psi_{\beta}(1) \psi_{\alpha}(2)]$$

The average number of identical Fermions

in a state with energy E in thermal

equilibrium at temperature T is given by:

$$n(E) = \frac{1}{e^{(E-E_F)/k_b T} + 1} \quad (7.108)$$

Where E_F is the Fermi energy. Photons

are Bosons, thus the distribution of

electromagnetic energy in a cavity:

$$\rho(\nu) d\nu = \frac{8\pi h \nu^3}{c^3 (e^{h\nu/k_b T} - 1)} \quad (7.109)$$

Total energy per unit area per unit time:

$$\sigma T^4 \quad (7.67)$$

$$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \quad (7.68)$$

$$\lambda_{max} T = 2.9 \times 10^{-3} \quad (7.69)$$

$$E_F = \frac{1}{2} m V_F^2$$

$$E_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{3\pi^2 N}{V} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$E_{total} = \frac{3}{5} N E_F$$

Solid State Physics

Bloch ansatz:

$$\psi(x+a) = e^{i\theta} \psi(x) \quad (8.4)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar} = k \quad (8.10)$$

$$\cos \theta = \cos ka + \frac{\alpha \sin ka}{2ka} \quad (8.26)$$

Contact Potential: $(W_b - W_a)/e$

For semiconductors: $E_F = \frac{E_g}{2}$ (8.33)

$$n(E) = \frac{1}{e^{E_g/2k_b T} + 1} \quad (8.34)$$

Nuclear Physics

$$m_{nucleus} = Zm_p + (A-Z)m_n - B.E./c^2$$

Where $B.E. \times (1, 0, -1)$ is:

$$a_1 A - a_2 A^{2/3} - a_3 \frac{Z^2}{A^{1/3}} - a_4 \frac{(z - \frac{A}{2})^2}{A} + \frac{a_5}{\sqrt{A}}$$

$$N(t) = N(0) e^{-Rt} = N(0) e^{-t/\tau} \quad (9.79)$$

The lifetime of an unstable nucleus:

$$\tau = 1/R$$

$$t_{1/2} = \tau \ln 2$$

$$a_1 = 15.75 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a_2 = 17.8 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a_3 = 0.711 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a_4 = 94.8 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a_5 = 11.2 \text{ MeV}$$