

Computational Microelectronics Report (Homework #2)

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Code

1-1. Captured code

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HW2.m x +
1 function [E] = HW2(N) % Point values (5, 50, 500)
2
3 x = 5*10^-9/(N-1); % Length of the box (unit: m)
4 m0 = (0.511*10^6)/(3*10^8)^2; % Electron rest mass
5 h = 6.582*10^-16; % h-bar (unit: eV*s)
6
7 % Matrix form with the boundary conditions %
8 A = zeros(N-2,N-2);
9 for i = 2:N-3
10     A(i,i-1) = 1;
11     A(i,i) = -2;
12     A(i,i+1) = 1;
13 end
14 A(1,1) = -2; A(1,2) = 1;
15 A(N-2,N-3)=1; A(N-2,N-2)= -2;
16 [V,D] = eig(A);
17
18 a = D(1,1);
19 for k=1:N-2
20     if abs(a) > abs(D(k,k))
21         a=abs(D(k,k));
22     end
23 end
24
25 ksquare = a/x^2;
26 E = h^2*ksquare/(2*m0*0.19); % Ground state energy (unit: eV)
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1-2. Explanation

In order to solve the infinite potential well problem, the Schrödinger equation is absolutely essential. In the case of 1 dimensional problem, it is easy to calculate it by the eigenvalue/eigenfunction of the Laplacian operator. Based on this, computational methods allow us to get the analytic solution by discretization, that means the second derivative can be approximated in this case.

Furthermore, the higher the data are, the more exact the ground state energy values are. By drawing the error of them as a function of N, it can be evaluated how much drastic influence the number of data points has.

1. Results

2-1. Results of N (5, 50, and 500)

N = 5

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>> HW2(5)
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ans =

0.0753

0.0753 eV

N = 50

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>> HW2(50)
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ans =

0.0792

0.0792 eV

N = 500

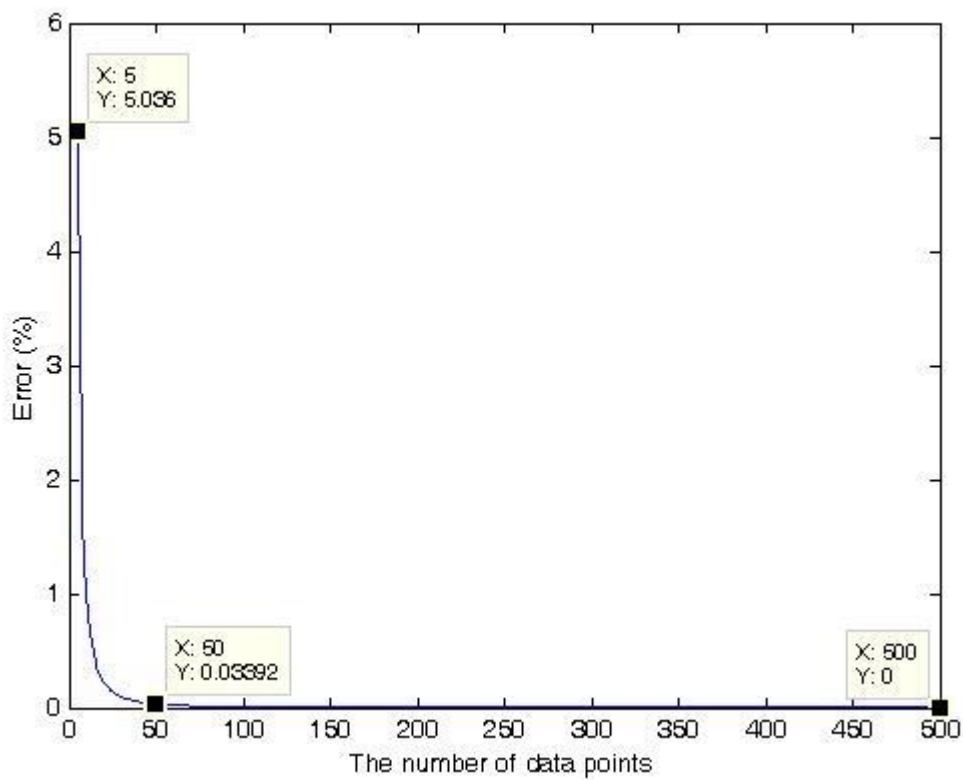
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>> HW2(500)
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ans =

0.0793

0.0793 eV

2-2. Error of the ground state energy (assumed as real value when N is 1000)



N = 5	N = 50	N = 500
5.036%	0.03392%	0%

As the number of data points are larger, difference from real value dwindle to nothing. In five to twenty, the error fell markedly. After that, it was approaching zero (N = 0). In brief, it is very significant to evaluate the ground state energy.