

8 Solution Electrons with energies of 1.0 eV and 2.0 eV are incident on a barrier 10.0 eV high and 0.50 nm wide. (a) find their respective transmission probabilities (b) how are these Transmission probabilities affected if the barrier is doubled in width.

$$T = e^{-2kL}$$

Where k is wave number inside barrier and is given by $k = \frac{\sqrt{2m(U-E)}}{\hbar}$

for e^- with 1.0 eV energy

$$k_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2m(10-1) \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}}{1.054 \times 10^{-34}} = \frac{\sqrt{2 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 8 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}}{1.054 \times 10^{-34}} \quad \frac{\text{kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}}{\text{kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}} = \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^2 \text{ s}}$$

$$k_1 = 1.542 \times 10^{10} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow T_1 = e^{-2k_1 L}$$

$$= e^{-2 \times 1.542 \times 10^{10} \times 0.50 \times 10^{-9}}$$

$$T_1 = e^{-15.42} = 2.05 \times 10^{-7}$$

II For 2.0 eV

$$k_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2 \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 8 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}}{1.054 \times 10^{-34}} = 1.448 \times 10^{10} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$T_2 = e^{-2k_2 L} = e^{-2 \times 1.448 \times 10^{10} \times 0.50 \times 10^{-9}} = e^{-14.48} = 5.14 \times 10^{-7}$$

2nd Part if barrier is doubled in width to 1.0 nm find T_1 & T_2

$$T'_1 = e^{-2k'_1 L'} = e^{-2 \times 1.542 \times 10^{10} \times 1.0 \times 10^{-9}} = e^{-30.84} = 4.039 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$T'_2 = e^{-2k'_2 L'} = e^{-2 \times 1.448 \times 10^{10} \times 1.0 \times 10^{-9}} = e^{-28.96} = 2.647 \times 10^{-13}$$

$$\left[\frac{4\pi^2}{L^4} - \frac{2}{L^2} \right] \psi + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} [E - U] \psi = 0$$

$$\frac{4\pi^2}{L^4} - \frac{2}{L^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (-U) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4\pi^2}{L^4} - \frac{2}{L^2} = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} U$$

$$\Rightarrow U = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{L^4} - \frac{2}{L^2} \right)$$

⑦ Solution

The energy of particle in an infinite square well is given by

$$E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2}$$

The energy E and wavelength λ of a photon emitted as the particle makes a transition from the $n=2$ state to the $n=1$ state are

$$E = E_2 - E_1 = \frac{2^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2} - \frac{1^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2}$$

$$E = (2^2 - 1^2) \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2} = \frac{3 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2}$$

and λ of photon $= \frac{hc}{E} = \frac{2.02 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \times 10^3}{6.62 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8} = 202 \text{ fm}$

$$6.15 \times 10^6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$= 2.01 \times 10^{13} = 202 \text{ fm}$$

Q.7 A proton is confined in an infinite square well of width 10 fm. Calculate the energy and wavelength of the photon emitted when the proton undergoes a transition from the first excited state ($n=2$) to ground state ($n=1$).

(b) The expectation value of particle's position is

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \psi^* x \psi dx$$

$$= \int_0^L \psi^* x \psi dx$$

$$= \int_0^L a x \cdot x \cdot a x dx = \int_0^L a^2 x^3 dx = a^2 \int_0^L x^3 dx$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{4} x^4 \Big|_0^L$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{4} \frac{L^4}{4}$$

Q6 In a region of space, a particle with zero energy has a wave function $\psi = A e^{-x^2/L^2}$. Determine the steady state potential energy as a function of x .

Solution Steady State Potential \Rightarrow Steady State S.W.E

given $\psi = A e^{-x^2/L^2}$ $\left| \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - U) \psi = 0 \right. \rightarrow$ (1) time independent

$E = 0; \psi = A e^{-x^2/L^2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (A e^{-x^2/L^2}) = A e^{-x^2/L^2} \cdot \left(-\frac{2x}{L^2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{2A x}{L^2} \cdot e^{-x^2/L^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(-\frac{2A x}{L^2} e^{-x^2/L^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2A}{L^2} \left[x \cdot e^{-x^2/L^2} \cdot \left(-\frac{2x}{L^2} \right) + e^{-x^2/L^2} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{2A}{L^2} \left[-\frac{2x^2}{L^2} e^{-x^2/L^2} + e^{-x^2/L^2} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{2A}{L^2} \left[-\frac{2x^2}{L^2} + 1 \right] \psi = \left[+\frac{4x^2}{L^4} - \frac{2}{L^2} \right] \psi$$

$$= \left[\frac{4x^2}{L^4} - \frac{2}{L^2} \right] \psi \rightarrow$$

Put this in eq. 1

④ Which of the following are eigenfunctions of the operator $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$?
Find out the appropriate eigenvalue for them

(i) $\sin x$

(ii) $\sin^2 x$

Solution given that $f(x) = \sin x$
(i) operating $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ on $f(x)$, we get

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} (\sin x) = -\sin x = -f(x)$$

Hence, $\sin x$ is an eigenfunction having eigenvalue -1

(ii) $f(x) = \sin^2 x$

operating $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ on $f(x)$, we get

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (\sin^2 x) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (1 - \cos 2x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} (0 + 2 \sin 2x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4 \cos 2x$$

$$= 2 \cos 2x$$

$$\cos 2x = 1 - 2 \sin^2 x$$

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$$1 - 2 \cos 2x = 2 \sin^2 x$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2(1 - 2 \sin^2 x) \\ &= 2 - 4 \sin^2 x \end{aligned}$$

Hence it is not an eigenfunction for $f(x) = \sin^2 x$

Not
any
function

⑤ Solution

A particle limited to the x axis has the wave function $\psi = ax$ b/w $x=0$ and $x=1$; $\psi = 0$ elsewhere.

given $\psi = ax$ $0 \leq x \leq 1$
 $\psi = 0$ elsewhere

(a) Find the probability that the particle can be found b/w $x=0.45$ and $x=0.55$ (b) find the expectation value of the particle's position

To find:- Probability of particle b/w 0.45 and 0.55

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Probability} &= \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \psi^* \psi dx = \int_{0.45}^{0.55} a^2 x^2 dx = a^2 \int_{0.45}^{0.55} x^2 dx = \frac{a^2}{3} \left| x^3 \right|_{0.45}^{0.55} \\ &= 0.0251 a^2 \end{aligned}$$

② The wave function of a free particle in normalized state is represented by $\psi = N e^{-(x^2/2a^2) + ikx}$

Calculate the normalization factor N and the maximum probability of finding the particle.

Solution

The normalization condition is

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* \psi dx = 1$$

Putting the values of ψ & ψ^* in the above equation, we get

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} N e^{-(x^2/2a^2) - ikx} \cdot N e^{-(x^2/2a^2) + ikx} dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} N^2 e^{-x^2/a^2} dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow N^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2/a^2} dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow N^2 \cdot a\sqrt{\pi} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[N^2 = \frac{1}{a\sqrt{\pi}} \Rightarrow N = \frac{1}{a^{1/2} \pi^{1/4}} \right]$$

→ The maximum probability $P(x)$ can be given as

$$P(x) = |\psi^*(x) \psi(x)|$$

$$= N^2 e^{-x^2/a^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-x^2/a^2}$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{1/a^2}} = a\sqrt{\pi}$$

3. Write down the conditions for acceptable wave function and prove that $\psi = Ae^{-x^2}$ is an acceptable wave function.

Solution Conditions

- (i) The wave function must be finite everywhere
- (ii) Single value
- (iii) It must be continuous
- (iv) Derivative of a given function should also be continuous.

Proof

Given function is $\psi = Ae^{-x^2}$

Finite (i)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm \infty} \psi(x) = A e^{-x^2}$$

$= 0 \Rightarrow$ this function is finite everywhere

Single Valued (ii) Test for some values $x=1, 2, 3$ --

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(1) &= Ae^{-1} \\ \psi(-1) &= Ae^{-1} \\ \psi(2) &= Ae^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

Hence it is Single Valued

Continuous (iii)

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (Ae^{-x^2})$$

$$= -2Ax e^{-x^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm \infty} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = -2A \frac{x}{e^{x^2}}$$

Apply L-Hospital rule

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm \infty} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = \frac{-2A \cdot 1}{2x \cdot e^{x^2}} = \frac{-A}{x \cdot e^{x^2}} = \frac{-A}{\infty} = 0$$

$$(iv) \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-2Ax e^{-x^2}) = -2A [x \cdot e^{-x^2} \cdot (-2x) + e^{-x^2}]$$

$$= -2A [-2x^2 e^{-x^2} + e^{-x^2}]$$

Applying L-Hospital rule

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-2Ax e^{-x^2}) = \frac{-2A}{x \cdot e^{x^2}} = \frac{-2A}{\infty} = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm \infty} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{4Ax^2 e^{-x^2} - 2Ac^{-x^2}}{e^{x^2}} = \frac{4Ax^2}{e^{x^2}} - \frac{2A}{e^{x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{4Ax^2 e^{-x^2} - 2Ac^{-x^2}}{e^{x^2}} = \frac{4Ax^2}{e^{x^2}} - \frac{2A}{e^{x^2}}$$

0

Ques Kinetic energy of an electron and photon is $4.55 \times 10^{-25} \text{ J}$.
Calculate the velocity, momentum and wavelength of electron and photon.

Solution if m_0 is the rest mass and v is the velocity of electron then its kinetic energy (E_k) is given by

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2} m_0 v^2$$

$$\text{given that } E_k = 4.55 \times 10^{-25} \text{ J}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4.55 \times 10^{-25} = \frac{1}{2} \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg} \times v^2$$

$$\Rightarrow v^2 = \frac{4.55 \times 10^{-25} \times 2}{9.1 \times 10^{-31}} = 1.00 \times 10^6$$

$$\Rightarrow v = 10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

momentum of electron is given as $p = m_0 v$

$$= 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 10^3$$

$$= 9.1 \times 10^{-28} \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$$

$$\text{wavelength of electron :- } \lambda = h/p = \frac{6.62 \times 10^{-34}}{9.1 \times 10^{-28}} = 7.274 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$$

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2nd Part For Photon $E = hc/\lambda = 4.55 \times 10^{-25} = \frac{6.62 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8}{\lambda}$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 4.365 \times 10^{-1}$$

$$v = 3 \times 10^8$$

$$p = h/\lambda = \frac{6.62 \times 10^{-34}}{4.365 \times 10^{-1}} = 1.517 \times 10^{-33} \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$$