

Assignment 2 (Quantum Mechanics)

1. Obtain Schrodinger steady state equation from $y = A \cos 2\pi v (t - x/v_p)$ with the help of de Broglie relationship $\lambda = h/mv$ by letting $y = \Psi$ and finding $d^2\Psi/dx^2$.
2. Prove that the wave function in Schrodinger equation is linear by showing that it is satisfied for the wave equation $\Psi(x,t) = a\Psi_1(x,t) + b\Psi_2(x,t)$ where a and b are constants and $\Psi_1(x,t)$ and $\Psi_2(x,t)$ describe two waves each satisfying the Schrodinger Eq.
3. Find the de Broglie wavelength of a 1.0-mg grain of sand blown by the wind at a speed is 20 m/s.
4. Find the de Broglie wavelength of the 40-keV electrons used in a certain electron microscope.
5. Find the de Broglie wavelength of a 1.00 MeV proton. Is a relativistic calculation needed?
6. The atomic spacing in rock salt, NaCl, is 0.282 nm. Find the kinetic energy (in eV) of a neutron with a de Broglie wavelength of 0.282 nm. Is a relativistic calculation needed? Such neutrons can be used to study crystal structure.
7. Green light has a wavelength of about 550 nm. Through what potential difference must an electron be accelerated to have this wavelength?
8. Find the phase & group velocities of an electron whose de Broglie wavelength is 1.2\AA ?
9. A bacterium moving across a Petri dish at $3.5\text{ }\mu\text{m/s}$ has a de Broglie wavelength of $1.9 \times 10^{-13}\text{ m}$. What is the bacterium's mass?
10. Calculate the de Broglie wavelength of a neutron ($m = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}\text{ kg}$) traveling at $5.5 \times 10^4\text{ m/s}$.
11. A proton ($m = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}\text{ kg}$) with a de Broglie wavelength of $4.00 \times 10^{-14}\text{ m}$ is moving at an unknown velocity.
 - (a) What is the proton's velocity?
 - (b) What is the proton's momentum?
12. What effect on the scattering angle in the Davisson-Gerner experiment does increasing the electron energy have?
13. Obtain an expression for the energy levels (in MeV) of a neutron confined to a one-dimensional box $1.00 \times 10^{-14}\text{ m}$ wide. What is the neutron's minimum energy? (The diameter of an atomic nucleus is of this order of magnitude.)
14. Compare the uncertainties in the velocities of an electron and a proton confined in a 1.00-nm box.
15. Marine radar operating at a frequency of 9400 MHz emits groups of electromagnetic waves $0.0800\text{ }\mu\text{s}$ in duration. The time needed for the reflections of these groups to return indicates the distance to a target. Find the length of each group and the number of waves it contains.