

## Propagation Matrix Method.

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We know that the time independent Schrodinger equation is given by,

$$\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \phi(x) + V(x) \phi(x) = E \phi(x).$$

It is the 1 dimensional, 2<sup>nd</sup> order differential equation, which can be rewritten as,

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \phi(x) = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} [E - V(x)] \phi(x)$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \phi(x) = -k^2(x) \phi(x)$$

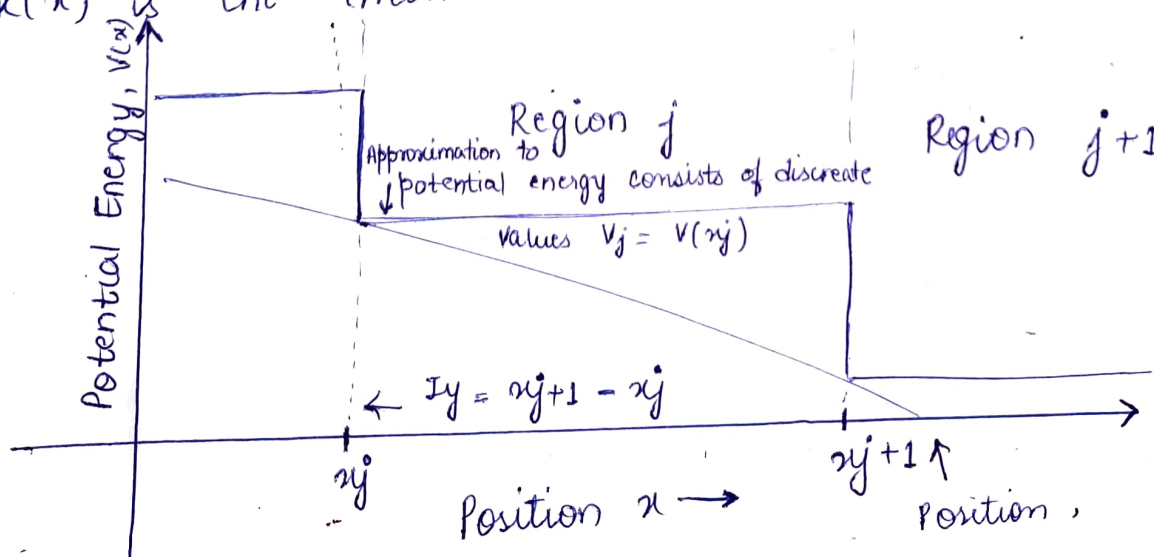
where,

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{2m[E - V(x)]}{\hbar}}, \quad k \text{ is positive and definite}$$

$$\phi(x) = \underbrace{(A^r)}_{\downarrow} e^{ik(x)x} + \underbrace{(A^l)}_{\downarrow} e^{-ik(x)x}.$$

where, amplitudes for left and right side are given by  $A^r$  and  $A^l$ .

$k(x)$  is the momentum.



- ① We will find Propagation between  $x_j$  and  $x_{j+1}$
- ② What is the propagation across the step  $x_{j+1}$ .

Let us first propagator matrix for propagation between the potential step,

- (1) Propagation between potential step separated by distance  $L_j$  carries phase information only so that

$$A_j^r e^{ik_j L_j} = A_{j+1}^r \quad \text{and} \quad A_j^l e^{-ik_j L_j} = A_{j+1}^l.$$

- (2) This may be expressed in matrix form as,

$$\begin{bmatrix} e^{ik_j L_j} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-ik_j L_j} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_j^r \\ A_j^l \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{j+1}^r \\ A_{j+1}^l \end{bmatrix}$$

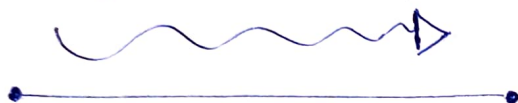
- (3) Which can be rewritten as:-

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_j^r \\ A_j^l \end{bmatrix} = P_{\text{free}} \begin{bmatrix} A_{j+1}^r \\ A_{j+1}^l \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where, } P_{\text{free}} \text{ is the}$$

free propagation matrix, given by.

$$P_{\text{free}} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-ik_j L_j} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{ik_j L_j} \end{bmatrix}$$

$k \cdot E \uparrow$   
Velocity  $\uparrow$   
 $E$



$p_{\text{free } 1}$

$V = 0$

$$k_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(E-0)}{\hbar}}$$

$R_1$

$R_2$

$$P = p_{\text{free}} \times p_{\text{step}}$$

$k \cdot E \downarrow$   
Velocity  $\downarrow$   
 $V = V_0$

$p_{\text{free } 2}$

$$k_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(E-V_0)}{\hbar}} \quad \text{cv.}$$

$k_{j+1}$

Let us find propagator Matrix for propagation across the potential step → (3)

(1) Propagation between potential step separated by distance  $l_j$  carries phase information only so that.

$$\phi_j = A_j^r e^{ik_j x} + A_j^l e^{-ik_j x} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_{j+1} = A_{j+1}^r e^{ik_{j+1} x} +$$

$$A_{j+1}^l e^{-ik_{j+1} x} \quad - (7)$$

(2) The boundary conditions  $\phi_j|_{j+1} = \phi_{j+1}|_j$  and  $\phi_j|_{j+1} = \phi_{j+1}|_{j+1}$  then gives;

$$A_j^r e^{ik_j x} + A_j^l e^{-ik_j x} = A_{j+1}^r e^{ik_{j+1} x} + A_{j+1}^l e^{-ik_{j+1} x}$$

$$A_j^r e^{ik_j x} - A_j^l e^{-ik_j x} = \frac{k_{j+1}}{k_j} A_{j+1}^r e^{ik_{j+1} x} - \frac{k_{j+1}}{k_j} A_{j+1}^l e^{-ik_{j+1} x} \quad - (9)$$

One may write Equations for a potential step at positions  $x_{j+1} = 0$  as a matrix equation;

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_j^l \\ A_j^r \end{bmatrix} = P_{\text{step}} \begin{bmatrix} A_{j+1}^l \\ A_{j+1}^r \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_{\text{step}} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \frac{k_{j+1}}{k_j} & 1 - \frac{k_{j+1}}{k_j} \\ 1 - \frac{k_{j+1}}{k_j} & 1 + \frac{k_{j+1}}{k_j} \end{bmatrix} \quad - (10)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ A_{in}^r \end{pmatrix} = p \begin{pmatrix} A_{out}^r \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Hence,

Transmission coefficient is given by  $A_{out}^r$  and  
Reflection coefficient is given by  $A_{in}^r$ .

$$\text{Transmission Probability} = |A_{out}^r|^2$$

$$\text{Reflection Probability} = |A_{in}^r|^2$$

Now, Numerical Method for Solving the matrix:-

$$\underline{E > V_0}$$

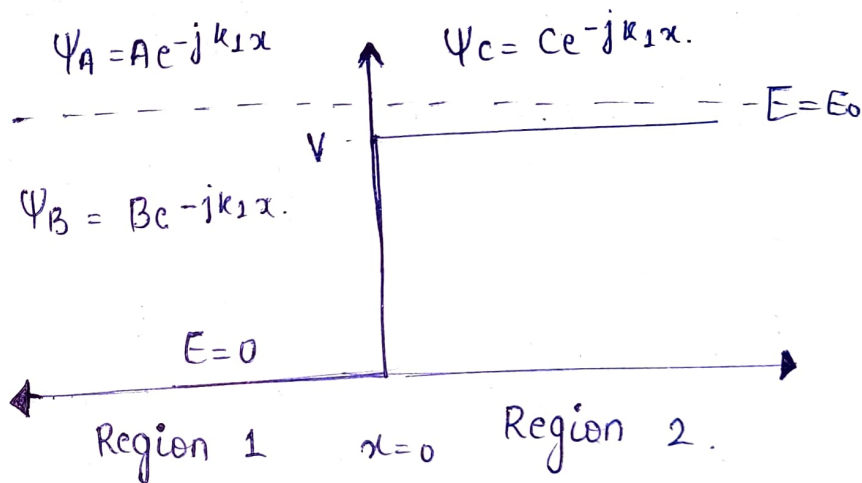
In Region 1  $\rightarrow$

$$E_0 \psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2}$$

$$k_1^2 = \frac{2mE_0}{\hbar^2}$$

$$k_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(E_0 - V)}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$\text{where } \boxed{V=0}$$



In Region 2  $\rightarrow$

$$(E_0 - V) \psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow k_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(E_0 - V)}{\hbar^2}}$$



$$\psi_1 = Ae^{-jk_1 x} + Be^{jk_1 x}$$

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$$\psi_2 = Ce^{-jk_2 x}$$

$\psi$  is continuous

$$\psi_1(0) = \psi_2(0) \Rightarrow A + B = C$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \text{ is continuous: } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi(0) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi_2(0) \Rightarrow A - B = \frac{k_2}{k_1} C$$

$$\frac{B}{A} = \frac{1 - \frac{k_2}{k_1}}{1 + \frac{k_2}{k_1}} = \frac{k_1 - k_2}{k_1 + k_2}$$

$$\frac{C}{A} = \frac{2}{1 + k_2/k_1} = \frac{2k_1}{2k_1 + k_2}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A + B = C \\ A - B = \frac{k_2}{k_1} C \end{array} \right.$$

We know, the current density is given by

$$J = -\frac{ic\hbar}{2m} (\psi \Delta \psi^* - \psi^* \Delta \psi)$$

Electron velocity in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  region as  $v_i = \frac{\hbar k_i}{m}$ ,  
transmission probability  $|C|^2$  and Reflection probabilities  $|B|^2$ .

Now,

calculating the Transmission and Reflection Probabilities;

$$|C|^2 = \frac{4}{\left(1 + \frac{k_2}{k_1}\right)^2} = \frac{4}{\left(1 + \frac{V_2}{V_1}\right)^2}$$

$$|C|^2 = 4$$

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$$\left(1 + \frac{m_1 k_2}{m_2 k_1}\right)^2$$

$$|B|^2 = \frac{\left(1 - k_2/k_1\right)^2}{\left(1 + k_2/k_1\right)^2}$$

Incident current is given by  $I$ ,

The Reflected current,

$$J_R = -\frac{e \hbar k_1}{m_1} |B|^2$$

Transmitted Current is

$$J_T = \frac{e \hbar k_2}{m_2} |C|^2$$

on simplification,

$$J_R = -\frac{e \hbar k_1}{m_1} \frac{\left(1 - \frac{k_2}{k_1}\right)^2}{\left(1 + k_2/k_1\right)^2}$$

$$J_T = +\frac{e \hbar k_2}{m_1} \times 4$$

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In [14]: runcell(0, 'C:/Users/hp/Desktop/QUANTUM PHYSICS/SEM  
5 CODES/QM Assignment 2.py')
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The value of P free : [[-0.6468455+0.76262107j  0.  
+0.j  
[ 0.          +0.j          -0.6468455-0.76262107j]]]
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The value of P step : [[0.54975186 0.45024814]  
[0.45024814 0.54975186]]
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The value of P : [[-0.35560452+0.41925235j  
-0.29124098+0.34336872j]  
[-0.29124098-0.34336872j -0.35560452-0.41925235j]]]
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The value of Tranmission Coefficient :  
(-1.1766135753070794-1.387209625188826j)
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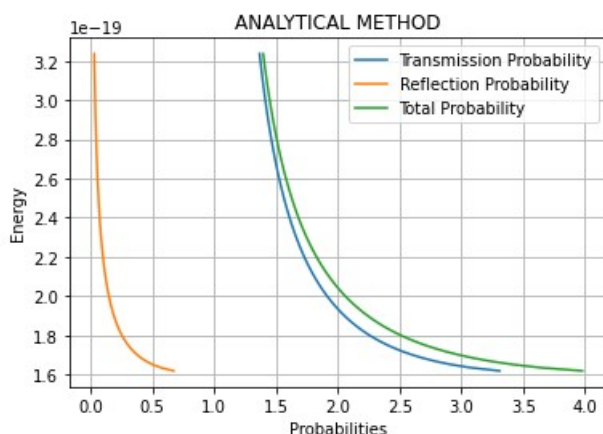
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The value of Reflection Coefficient :  
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The value of Tranmission Probability : 3.3087700498134316
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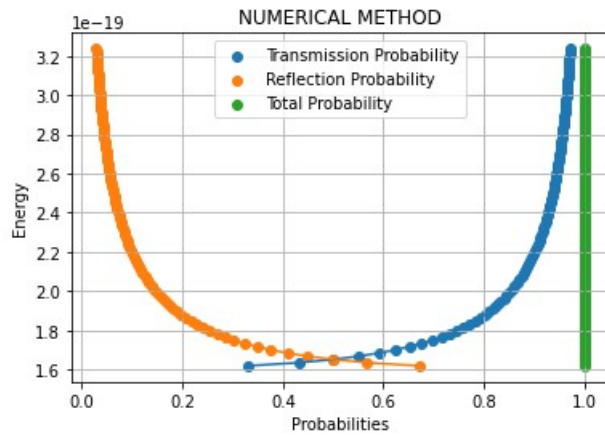
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The value of Reflection Probability : 0.6707650746582673
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The value of Transmission Probability : 0.3292349253417327
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The value of Reflection Probability : 0.6707650746582673
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|             | Energy         | Trans Prob(An)  | Ref1 Prob. (An) | Total |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| Probability | Tran Prob.(Nu) | Ref. Prob. (Nu) | Total Prob.     |       |
| 0           | 1.618198e-19   | 3.308770        | 0.670765        |       |
| 3.979535    | 0.329235       | 0.670765        | 3.308770        |       |
| 1           | 1.634544e-19   | 3.073989        | 0.567430        |       |
| 3.641418    | 0.432570       | 0.567430        | 3.073989        |       |
| 2           | 1.650889e-19   | 2.913205        | 0.499582        |       |
| 3.412787    | 0.500418       | 0.499582        | 2.913205        |       |
| 3           | 1.667235e-19   | 2.789208        | 0.449023        |       |
| 3.238231    | 0.550977       | 0.449023        | 2.789208        |       |
| 4           | 1.683580e-19   | 2.687936        | 0.408951        |       |
| 3.096887    | 0.591049       | 0.408951        | 2.687936        |       |
| 5           | 1.699926e-19   | 2.602315        | 0.375976        |       |
| 2.978291    | 0.624024       | 0.375976        | 2.602315        |       |
| 6           | 1.716271e-19   | 2.528213        | 0.348142        |       |
| 2.876355    | 0.651858       | 0.348142        | 2.528213        |       |
| 7           | 1.732616e-19   | 2.462983        | 0.324204        |       |
| 2.787188    | 0.675796       | 0.324204        | 2.462983        |       |
| 8           | 1.748962e-19   | 2.404814        | 0.303321        |       |
| 2.708135    | 0.696679       | 0.303321        | 2.404814        |       |
| 9           | 1.765307e-19   | 2.352406        | 0.284895        |       |
| 2.637300    | 0.715105       | 0.284895        | 2.352406        |       |
| 10          | 1.781653e-19   | 2.304793        | 0.268484        |       |
| 2.573277    | 0.731516       | 0.268484        | 2.304793        |       |
| 11          | 1.797998e-19   | 2.261236        | 0.253755        |       |
| 2.514991    | 0.746245       | 0.253755        | 2.261236        |       |
| 12          | 1.814344e-19   | 2.221155        | 0.240447        |       |
| 2.461602    | 0.759553       | 0.240447        | 2.221155        |       |
| 13          | 1.830689e-19   | 2.184086        | 0.228355        |       |
| 2.412441    | 0.771645       | 0.228355        | 2.184086        |       |
| 14          | 1.847035e-19   | 2.149652        | 0.217314        |       |
| 2.366966    | 0.782686       | 0.217314        | 2.149652        |       |
| 15          | 1.863380e-19   | 2.117543        | 0.207187        |       |

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| 1.442459        | 0.965232 | 0.034768 | 1.407691 |
| 87 3.040252e-19 | 1.404234 | 0.034226 |          |
| 1.438460        | 0.965774 | 0.034226 | 1.404234 |
| 88 3.056597e-19 | 1.400836 | 0.033698 |          |
| 1.434533        | 0.966302 | 0.033698 | 1.400836 |
| 89 3.072942e-19 | 1.397496 | 0.033181 |          |
| 1.430677        | 0.966819 | 0.033181 | 1.397496 |
| 90 3.089288e-19 | 1.394213 | 0.032677 |          |
| 1.426890        | 0.967323 | 0.032677 | 1.394213 |
| 91 3.105633e-19 | 1.390984 | 0.032184 |          |
| 1.423169        | 0.967816 | 0.032184 | 1.390984 |
| 92 3.121979e-19 | 1.387810 | 0.031703 |          |
| 1.419513        | 0.968297 | 0.031703 | 1.387810 |
| 93 3.138324e-19 | 1.384688 | 0.031233 |          |
| 1.415921        | 0.968767 | 0.031233 | 1.384688 |
| 94 3.154670e-19 | 1.381617 | 0.030773 |          |
| 1.412390        | 0.969227 | 0.030773 | 1.381617 |
| 95 3.171015e-19 | 1.378596 | 0.030323 |          |
| 1.408919        | 0.969677 | 0.030323 | 1.378596 |
| 96 3.187360e-19 | 1.375623 | 0.029884 |          |
| 1.405507        | 0.970116 | 0.029884 | 1.375623 |
| 97 3.203706e-19 | 1.372698 | 0.029454 |          |
| 1.402152        | 0.970546 | 0.029454 | 1.372698 |
| 98 3.220051e-19 | 1.369819 | 0.029034 |          |
| 1.398852        | 0.970966 | 0.029034 | 1.369819 |
| 99 3.236397e-19 | 1.366985 | 0.028622 |          |
| 1.395607        | 0.971378 | 0.028622 | 1.366985 |

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