

Assignment 2 (Quantum Mechanics)

1. Find the de Broglie wavelength of a 1.0-mg grain of sand blown by the wind at a speed is 20 m.
2. Find the de Broglie wavelength of the 40-keV electrons used in a certain electron microscope.
3. Find the de Broglie wavelength of a 1.00 MeV proton. Is a relativistic calculation needed?
4. 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.
5. Green light has a wavelength of about 550 nm. Through what potential difference must an electron be accelerated to have this wavelength?
6. Find the phase & group velocities of an electron whose de Broglie wavelength is 1.2 \AA ?
7. 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?
8. Calculate the de Broglie wavelength of a neutron ($m = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$) traveling at $5.5 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s}$.
9. 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?
10. What effect on the scattering angle in the Davisson-Germer experiment does increasing the electron energy have?
11. 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.)
12. The lowest energy possible for a certain particle trapped in a certain box is 1.00 eV (a) what are the next two higher energies the particle can have. (b) If the particle is an electron, how wide is the box.
13. A proton in a one-dimensional box has energy of 400 keV in its first excited state. How wide is the box?
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 s in duration. The time needed for the reflections of these groups to return indicates the distance to a target. (a) Find the length of each group and the number of waves it contains.