

Free Particle

$V(k)=0$

$\hookrightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = E\psi \rightarrow \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = -k^2 \psi, \quad k \equiv \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$

General soln time ind

$\psi(x) = A e^{ikx} + B e^{-ikx}$

time dep

$\rightarrow \psi(x,t) = A e^{ik(x - \frac{\hbar k}{2m} t)} + B e^{-ik(x + \frac{\hbar k}{2m} t)}$
like a velocity

If you don't want the shape of your wave to change make $x \pm vt = \text{constant}$

check it works

$k > 0$ traveling to the right
 $k < 0$ traveling to the left

[Change of variables] $\rightarrow \psi_k(x,t) = A e^{i(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m} t)}, \quad k \equiv \pm \sqrt{2mE}/\hbar$

By de Broglie they carry a momentum: $p = \hbar k$

Speed of wave: coeff of t is v when it's

$\rightarrow v_{\text{group}} = \sqrt{\frac{E}{2m}} = \frac{\hbar |k|}{2m} = \frac{\text{coeff of } t}{\text{coeff of } x}$

Classically: $E = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \rightarrow v = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}} = 2 v_{\text{group}}$

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_k|^2 dx = |A|^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx = \infty$ (not normalizable)

$p = \hbar k$
 $dp = \hbar dk$

There is no such thing as a free particle w/ a definite energy

Before

$k = n \cdot (\text{stuff})$

$\psi(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \underbrace{\psi_n(x) \phi_n(t)}_{\psi_n(x,t)}$

Instead of $\psi_n \rightarrow \psi_k$ and

k is continuous
 \hookrightarrow continuous range of energies
so a general soln is the superposition of all of them

$c_n = \int \psi_n^*(x) \psi(x,0) dx$

$c_k =$
really it's also like this

just here it is used explicitly

$\psi(x,t) = \int \underbrace{\psi_k(x,t)}_{\text{All space}} \underbrace{c_n(k)}_{\text{better notation}} dk$
 $\psi(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) e^{i(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m} t)} dk$

Normalizable for the correct range of k 's, range of Energy, & speeds,

\hookrightarrow wave packet

\hookrightarrow Now find $\phi(k)$

General soln

$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) e^{i(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m} t)} dk$$

Just like $c_n = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x, 0) \psi^*(x, 0) dx$
 We can apply initial conditions to the free particle

$$\Psi(x, 0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) e^{ikx} dk$$

← this is a Fourier transform, we are saying $\Psi(x, 0)$ can be represented by adding ϕe^{ikx} linearly

We can invert a Fourier transform:

$$\phi(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x, 0) e^{-ikx} dx$$

[Plancherel's theorem]

(proof online)

particles velocity \rightarrow group velocity



speed this propagates

phase velocity \rightarrow pick a point on a ripple and calculate its speed.

Let's determine the group & phase velocity for $\Psi(x, t)$:

$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) e^{i(kx - \omega t)} dk, \quad \omega = \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}, \quad p = \hbar k$$

To find the result let's assume $\phi(k)$ is narrowly peaked at some value k_0

$\hookrightarrow \omega(k) \approx \omega_0 + \omega'_0(k - k_0)$ and say $s \equiv k - k_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x, t) &\approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k_0 + s) e^{i(k_0 + s)x - (\omega_0 + \omega'_0 s)t} ds \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{i(k_0 x - \omega_0 t)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k_0 + s) e^{is(x - \omega'_0 t)} ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } v_{\text{phase}} = \frac{\omega}{k} \Big|_{k=k_0}, \quad \omega = \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}, \quad \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{\hbar k}{2m}$$

$$\text{and } v_{\text{group}} = \frac{d\omega}{dk} \Big|_{k=k_0}, \quad \frac{d\omega}{dk} = \frac{\hbar k}{m}$$

$$v_{\text{group}} = 2 v_{\text{phase}}$$

1st function Potential

$$\delta(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ \infty & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) dx = 1$$

$$f(x) \delta(x-a) = f(a) \delta(x-a)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \delta(x-a) dx = f(a)$$

Consider: $V(x) = -\alpha \delta(x)$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} - \alpha \delta(x) \psi = E \psi$$

$x < 0, V = 0$: bound state $E < 0$, $\tilde{E} = E - (-V_0) = V_0 - |E|$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = \frac{-2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi = k^2 \psi, \quad k = \frac{\sqrt{-2mE}}{\hbar} = \frac{\sqrt{2m|E|}}{\hbar}$$

$\hookrightarrow \psi(x) = A e^{-kx} + B e^{kx}$ at $x = -\infty$ blows up so $A = 0$

$$\boxed{\psi(x) = B e^{kx}} \quad x < 0$$

$x > 0, V = 0$: $V = 0$ so same solution but at $x = \infty$ positive blows up

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\psi(x) = F e^{-kx}} \quad x > 0$$

there's a kink at $x = 0$ where V blows up

Boundary Conditions $\rightarrow \psi(0^-) = \psi(0^+) \rightarrow B = F$

To deal w/ this, integrate the schrodinger eq:

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} dx + \int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} V(x) \psi(x) dx = E \int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} \psi(x) dx$$

\uparrow
 $\frac{d\psi}{dx} \Big|_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon}$

goes to 0 as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$
 only the potential term gets non-zero

$$\Delta \left(\frac{d\psi}{dx} \right) \equiv \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \Big|_{\epsilon} - \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \Big|_{-\epsilon} \right) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} V(x) \psi(x) dx$$

ordinarily this is zero in the limit $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, since the derivatives are constant but we have a delta function potential so it's just $\psi(0)$
 $B e^{k \cdot 0}, B e^{-k \cdot 0} = B$

$$\Delta \left(\frac{d\psi}{dx} \right) = -\frac{2m\alpha}{\hbar^2} \psi(0) \quad \left\{ \quad \Delta \left(\frac{d\psi}{dx} \right) = -Bk - (Bk) = -2Bk = -\frac{2m\alpha}{\hbar^2} \psi(0) = -\frac{2m\alpha}{\hbar^2} B \right.$$

$x > 0$:

$$\frac{d\psi}{dx} = -Bk e^{-kx} \rightarrow \frac{d\psi}{dx} = -Bk$$

$x < 0$:

$$\frac{d\psi}{dx} = Bk e^{kx} \rightarrow \frac{d\psi}{dx} = Bk$$

$$k = \frac{m\alpha}{\hbar^2}$$

$$E = -\frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} = -\frac{m\alpha^2}{2\hbar^2}$$

Normalize ψ

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(x)|^2 dx = 2B^2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2kx} dx = \frac{|B|^2}{k} = 1 \rightarrow B = \sqrt{k} = \frac{\sqrt{m\alpha}}{\hbar}$$

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} B e^{kx} & x \leq 0 \\ B e^{-kx} & x \geq 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^0 B^2 e^{2kx} dx + \int_0^{\infty} B^2 e^{-2kx} dx = 2B^2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2kx} dx$$

$$\psi(x) = \frac{\sqrt{m\alpha}}{\hbar} e^{-\frac{m\alpha|x|}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$E = -\frac{m\alpha^2}{2\hbar^2}$$

$|x|$ bec exp will always decay, always has neg exponent.

← always exactly one bound state

Scattering states $E > 0$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi = -k^2 \psi \rightarrow k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar} \rightarrow \psi(x) = A e^{ikx} + B e^{-ikx} \leftarrow \text{form of sinusoids}$$

Sinusoids don't blow up at $x \rightarrow \infty$

$x < 0$

$$\psi(x) = A e^{ikx} + B e^{-ikx}$$

$x > 0$

$$\text{and } \psi(x) = F e^{ikx} + G e^{-ikx}$$

Boundary conditions \rightarrow at $x=0 \rightarrow F+G = A+B$

Using limit argument from before we have

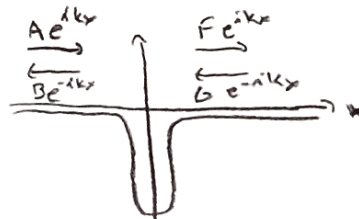
$$\frac{d\psi}{dx} = ik(F e^{ikx} - G e^{-ikx}), x > 0 \rightarrow \frac{d\psi}{dx} = ik(F - G)$$

$$\frac{d\psi}{dx} = ik(A e^{ikx} - B e^{-ikx}), x < 0 \rightarrow \frac{d\psi}{dx} = ik(A - B)$$

evaluated at $x=0$ bec $E > 0$ that's where the discontinuity is

$$\Delta\left(\frac{d\psi}{dx}\right) = ik(F - G - A + B), \psi(0) = (A+B) = F+G$$

$$\hookrightarrow ik(F - G - A + B) = -\frac{2m\alpha}{\hbar^2} (A+B) \leftarrow \text{2nd boundary condition} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{do some algebra} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} F - G = A(1 + 2i\beta) \\ -B(1 - 2i\beta) \end{cases}, \beta = \frac{m\alpha}{\hbar^2 k}$$



*lets say the particle comes from the left, so you will have a incident (A), reflected (B) and transmitted (F) *

$G=0$
we only have the wave coming from the left

$$F = A(1 + 2i\beta) - B(1 - 2i\beta)$$

$$F = A+B$$

$$\hookrightarrow B = \frac{i\beta}{1-i\beta} A, F = \frac{1}{1-i\beta} A$$

$$R = \frac{|B|^2}{|A|^2} = \frac{\beta^2}{1+\beta^2} \text{ and } T = \frac{|F|^2}{|A|^2} = \frac{1}{1+\beta^2}$$

$$R+T=1$$

$$R = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{2k^2 E}{m\alpha^2}}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{m\alpha^2}{2k^2 E}}$$

$$R+T=1$$

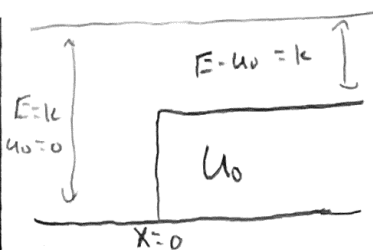
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$$\frac{v_T}{v_i} = \sqrt{\frac{E-V}{E}}, v=0 = 1$$

particle incident on a step

$$E > U_0$$

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ U_0 & x > 0 \end{cases}, \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \psi'' + V\psi = E\psi$$



$$x < 0: V=0 \rightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \psi'' = E\psi \rightarrow \psi'' = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E \psi, \quad k_0 = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \psi_0(x) = A \sin(k_0 x) + B \cos(k_0 x) = A e^{ik_0 x} + B e^{-ik_0 x}$$

$$x > 0: V=U_0 \rightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \psi'' = (E-U_0)\psi \rightarrow \psi'' = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E-U_0) \psi, \quad k_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2m(E-U_0)}}{\hbar}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{more useful to} \\ \text{write in complex} \\ \text{exponential form} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \psi_1(x) = C e^{ik_1 x} + D e^{-ik_1 x}, \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{particles only go in } +x \\ \text{dir after } x > 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Boundary conditions

$$\psi_0(0) = \psi_1(0) \text{ and } \frac{d\psi_0(0)}{dx} = \frac{d\psi_1(0)}{dx} \rightarrow A+B=C \text{ and } (A-B)k_0 = Ck_1$$

$$\frac{k_1}{k_0} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{U_0}{E}}$$

A = incident amplitude
 B = reflected amplitude
 C = transmitted amplitude

$$\rightarrow \left| \frac{B}{A} \right|^2 = \left| \frac{k_0 - k_1}{k_0 + k_1} \right|^2 \text{ and } \left| \frac{C}{A} \right|^2 = \left| \frac{2k_0}{k_0 + k_1} \right|^2$$

↑
probability density

of being in a specific region

Group velocity, R and T

$$V_0 = \frac{p_0}{m} = \frac{\hbar k_0}{m} = \text{velocity of wave}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{p_1}{m} = \frac{\hbar k_1}{m} = \text{group velocity}$$

$$\hookrightarrow V_T = \text{velocity of transmitted wave}$$

$$V_0 R = V_0 \left| \frac{B}{A} \right|^2 \rightarrow R = \left| \frac{B}{A} \right|^2 = \left(\frac{k_0 - k_1}{k_0 + k_1} \right)^2$$

$$V_0 T = V_1 \left| \frac{C}{A} \right|^2 \rightarrow T = \frac{V_1}{V_0} \left| \frac{C}{A} \right|^2 = \frac{4k_0 k_1}{(k_0 + k_1)^2}$$

V_0 that is transmitted
 V_1 prob density

$$E > U_0$$

$$E > U_0$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \psi'' + V\psi = E\psi$$

$$x < 0: \psi_0(x) = A e^{ik_0 x} + B e^{-ik_0 x}, \quad k_0 = \frac{\sqrt{2m(E-U_0)}}{\hbar}$$

$$x > 0: \psi_1(x) = C e^{ik_1 x}, \quad k_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2m(E-U_0)}}{\hbar}$$

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} U_0 & x < 0 \\ 0 & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Boundary cond: $\psi_0(0) = \psi_1(0)$ and $\frac{d\psi_0(0)}{dx} = \frac{d\psi_1(0)}{dx} \rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} A+B=C \\ (A-B)k_0 = Ck_1 \end{array} \right\} \text{ Same form}$

$$\frac{B}{A} = \frac{k_0 - k_1}{k_0 + k_1}$$

$k_0 < k_1$, goes down a hill & gains speed $\uparrow p = \hbar k$ and has a 180° phase shift

$$\frac{C}{A} = \frac{2k_0}{k_0 + k_1}$$

$$V_0 R = V_0 \left| \frac{B}{A} \right|^2$$

$$\text{and } T = \frac{V_1}{V_0} \left| \frac{C}{A} \right|^2$$

$$= \frac{V_{\text{refl}}}{V_{\text{inc}}} \left| \frac{B}{A} \right|^2$$

$$\text{and } T = \frac{V_{\text{transmit}}}{V_{\text{inc}}} \left| \frac{C}{A} \right|^2$$

$$E < U_0 \quad x < 0, \quad V = 0$$

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ U_0 & x \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = E\psi \rightarrow \psi'' = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi$$



$$\psi(x) = A e^{i k_1 x} + B e^{-i k_1 x} \quad x < 0$$

$$x > 0 \quad V = U_0$$

$$-|E - U_0| = (E - U_0)$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + U_0 \psi = E\psi \rightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = (E - U_0)\psi \rightarrow \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} |E - U_0| \psi$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Solutions are exponentials} \rightarrow \psi = \underbrace{C e^{k_2 x}}_{\text{we want decay}} + D e^{-k_2 x}, \quad k_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2m|E - U_0|}}{\hbar}$$

$$\psi(0) = \psi'(0) = A + B = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi(0) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi(0) = A - B = -i \frac{k_2}{k_1} 0$$

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$$\hookrightarrow \frac{B}{A} = \frac{1 + i k_2/k_1}{1 - i k_2/k_1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{C}{A} = \frac{2}{1 - i k_2/k_1}$$

$$R = \left| \frac{B}{A} \right|^2 = 1 \quad \text{then} \quad T = 0$$

Calculating $|\psi|^2$ in $x < 0$, $\psi_1 = A e^{i k_1 x} + B e^{-i k_1 x}$, $\psi^* = A^* e^{-i k_1 x} + B^* e^{i k_1 x}$
 expand out B/A & real the bottom
 $B = A \left(\frac{k_1^2 - k_2^2}{k_1^2 + k_2^2} + i \frac{2k_1 k_2}{k_1^2 + k_2^2} \right) = A e^{i\theta}$, $\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2k_1 k_2}{k_1^2 - k_2^2} \right)$
 $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$, absorb into A

$$\psi_1(x) = A e^{i k_1 x} + A e^{-i(k_1 x - \theta)}, \quad \text{do } \psi_1^* \psi_1$$

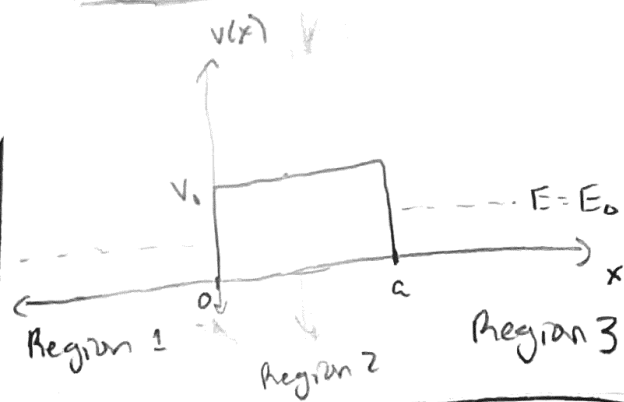
$$= (A e^{-i k_1 x} + A e^{i(k_1 x - \theta)}) (A e^{i k_1 x} + A e^{-i(k_1 x - \theta)})$$

$$= 2A^2 + A^2 e^{i(2k_1 x - \theta)} + A^2 e^{-i(2k_1 x - \theta)}$$

$$= 2A^2 [1 + \cos(2k_1 x - \theta)]$$

$$P = 0 \quad \text{when} \quad 2k_1 x - \theta = (2n+1)\pi$$

Rectangular Potential Step



Region 1: $\psi_1 = A e^{ikx} + B e^{-ikx}$, $k = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$

Region 2: $-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} + V_0 \psi_2 = E \psi_2$

$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} = (E - V_0) \psi_2$ but $V_0 > E$

$\frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V_0) \psi_2$

$\frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial x^2} = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (V_0 - E) \psi_2$ $E < V_0$

SO.
 $(E - V_0) =$
 $-(E - V_0)$

Region 2: $\psi_2 = C e^{ik_2 x} + D e^{-k_2 x}$

Region 3: $\psi_3 = F e^{ikx}$, particle only comes from the left.

Boundary Conditions

① $\psi_1(0) = \psi_2(0)$ and ② $\psi_2(a) = \psi_3(a)$

③ $\frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial x}(0) = \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial x}(0)$ and ④ $\frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial x}(a) = \frac{\partial \psi_3}{\partial x}(a)$

① $A + B = C + D$ and ② $C e^{k_2 a} + D e^{-k_2 a} = F e^{ika}$

③ $ikA - ikB = k_2 C - k_2 D$ ④ $k_2 C e^{k_2 a} - k_2 D e^{-k_2 a} = ik F e^{ika}$

$\hookrightarrow ik(A - B) = k_2(C - D)$

$\hookrightarrow A - B = -i \frac{k_2}{k} (C - D)$

* Find A in terms of C and D * ① $B = -A + C + D$

③ and ④

$A - (-A + C + D) = i \frac{k_2}{k} (D - C)$

$2A - C - D = i \frac{k_2}{k} D - i \frac{k_2}{k} C$

$2A = D \left(1 + \frac{ik_2}{k}\right) + C \left(1 - \frac{ik_2}{k}\right)$

② and ④

$C e^{k_2 a} = F e^{ika} - D e^{-k_2 a}$

$F k_2 e^{ika} - 2D k_2 e^{-k_2 a} = ik F e^{ika}$

$-2D k_2 e^{-k_2 a} = -F (k_2 - ik) e^{ika}$

$D = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{ik}{k_2}\right) F e^{ika + k_2 a}$

now find D and C in terms of F

$$2A = 0\left(1 + \frac{ik_2}{k}\right) + C\left(1 - \frac{ik_2}{k}\right)$$

$$D = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \frac{ik}{k_2}\right) F e^{ika + k_2 a}$$

Do same algebra but for C:

$$C = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \frac{ik}{k_2}\right) F e^{ika - k_2 a}$$

Now plug into top eq

$$2A = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \frac{ik_2}{k}\right)\left(1 - \frac{ik}{k_2}\right) F e^{ika + k_2 a} + \frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \frac{ik_2}{k}\right)\left(1 + \frac{ik}{k_2}\right) F e^{ika - k_2 a}$$

$$|F|^2 = \left[\frac{1}{4}\left(1 + i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right) e^{ika} e^{k_2 a} + \frac{1}{4}\left(1 - i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)\left(1 + i\frac{k}{k_2}\right) e^{ika} e^{-k_2 a} \right]$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{4}\left(1 - i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)\left(1 + i\frac{k}{k_2}\right) e^{-ika} e^{k_2 a} + \frac{1}{4}\left(1 + i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right) e^{-ika} e^{-k_2 a} \right] \text{ expand out}$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \left(\underbrace{\left(1 + i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)}_{\text{square terms}} \underbrace{\left(1 + i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)}_{\text{square terms}} e^{2k_2 a} + \frac{1}{16} \left(\underbrace{\left(1 - i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)\left(1 + i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)}_{\text{square terms}} \underbrace{\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)\left(1 + i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)}_{\text{square terms}} e^{-2k_2 a} \right.$$

$$+ \frac{1}{16} \left(\underbrace{\left(1 + i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)\left(1 + i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)}_{\text{cross terms}} \underbrace{\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)}_{\text{cross terms}} - \frac{1}{16} \left(\underbrace{\left(1 + i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)\left(1 + i\frac{k_2}{k}\right)}_{\text{cross terms}} \underbrace{\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)\left(1 - i\frac{k}{k_2}\right)}_{\text{cross terms}} \right)$$

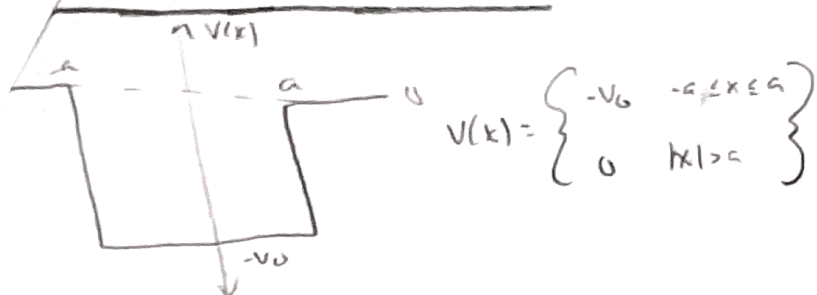
$$|F|^2 = \frac{1}{16} \left(1 + \left(\frac{k_2}{k}\right)^2 \right) \left(1 + \left(\frac{k}{k_2}\right)^2 \right) \left(e^{2k_2 a} + e^{-2k_2 a} \right) \quad \text{pulled a negative out}$$

$$k_2^2 = v_0^2 - \epsilon^2, \quad k^2 = \epsilon^2$$

$$T^{-1} = \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{v_0}{\epsilon} \right) \left(\frac{v_0}{v_0 - \epsilon} \right) \cosh(2k_2 a) \quad (\text{my answer}) \quad \text{book:}$$

$$T = |F|^2 = \left[1 + \frac{\sinh^2(k_2 a)}{\frac{v_0}{\epsilon} \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{v_0} \right)} \right]^{-1}$$

Finite Potential Well



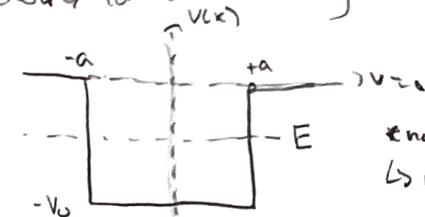
$E < 0 \Rightarrow$ bound state (stuck in trapping points)
 $E > 0 \Rightarrow$ scattering state
 (doesn't get trapped)
 Harmonic oscillator only permitted bound states

Outside well $V=0$: $-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = E\psi$ or $\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = k^2\psi$, $k = \frac{\sqrt{-2mE}}{\hbar}$

wait this is weird lets make it more mathematically rigorous

[If $V(x)$ rises higher than the particles total energy (on either side) \rightarrow bound state]

[if E exceeds V_0 on either side, particle goes from $-\infty$ to ∞ \rightarrow scattering state]



$V=0$ for $|x| > a$ and $V=-V_0$ in the well
 note the difference from inf well, it had $V=0$ at the bottom of well &
 \hookrightarrow if we wanted to make this an inf well, take $V_0 \rightarrow \infty \rightarrow V=-\infty$

[Energies in the inf well were measured w.r.t the bottom of the well ($E=0$)] \rightarrow [finite well are measured w.r.t the bottom at $-V_0$]

\hookrightarrow we are interested in bound states, namely ones that are normalizable
 \hookrightarrow for this E must be negative

*if $E > 0$, any solutions in the region $x > a$, where $V=0$, would be a plane wave, not normalizable

$\hookrightarrow -V_0 < E < 0 \rightarrow E$ is negative, $E = -|E|$, for a bound state, \tilde{E} must be measured w.r.t the bottom of the well, $\tilde{E} = E - (-V_0) = V_0 - |E| > 0$

< these \tilde{E} 's can be compared to inf well in limit

Schrodinger Equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + V\psi = E\psi \rightarrow \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = \frac{-2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V(x))\psi = \alpha(x)\psi(x)$$

in region $|x| > a$ α is pos (real exponentials)
 in region $|x| < a$ α is neg (trig functions)

[The Potential is an even function, $V(-x) = V(x)$, boundstates are either symmetric or antisymmetric]

Even solutions ($\psi(-x) = \psi(x)$):

• $|x| < a$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = \frac{-2m}{\hbar^2} (E - (-V_0))\psi = \frac{-2m}{\hbar^2} (V_0 - |E|)\psi, \quad K^2 \equiv \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (V_0 - |E|) > 0, \quad K > 0$$

$\hookrightarrow \psi'' = -K^2\psi$, the only possible even solution is $\psi(x) = \cos(Kx)$, $|x| < a$

Even solutions

for $|x| < a$: $\psi(x) = \cos(kx)$
(inside well)

$k^2 = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (V_0 - |E|) > 0, k > 0$

$|x| > a \rightarrow \psi'' = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - 0)\psi = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} |E| \psi \rightarrow \gamma^2 = \frac{2m|E|}{\hbar^2}, \gamma > 0$

$\hookrightarrow \psi = \gamma^2 \psi \rightarrow$ solutions are exponentials, we need decay, otherwise not normalizable

$\hookrightarrow \psi(x) = A e^{-\gamma x}, x > a$ (outside well) (for $x < -a$ and $x > a$) $\rightarrow \psi(x) = A e^{-\gamma|x|}, |x| > a$

\hookrightarrow note $\gamma^2 + k^2 = \frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2}$, $|E|$ drops out,

Define some unit free constants $\rightarrow \eta \equiv ka$ and $z_0^2 \equiv \frac{2mV_0 a^2}{\hbar^2}$ multiply $\gamma^2 + k^2$ by $a^2 \rightarrow \eta^2 + z^2 = z_0^2$

\hookrightarrow solving for E is like solving for Energy $\rightarrow z^2 = \gamma^2 a^2 = \frac{2m|E|a^2}{\hbar^2} = \frac{2mV_0 a^2}{\hbar^2} \frac{|E|}{V_0} = z_0^2 \frac{|E|}{V_0}$

$\hookrightarrow \left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)^2 = \frac{|E|}{V_0}$

$\hookrightarrow \eta$ also encodes $|E| \rightarrow \eta^2 = k^2 a^2 = \frac{2ma^2}{\hbar^2} (V_0 - |E|)$ and $\tilde{E} = V_0 - |E| = \eta^2 \frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2}$ (energy relative to the bottom of potential) characteristic energy of inf well

Boundary conditions

ψ continuous at $x=a \rightarrow \cos(ka) = A e^{-\gamma a}$

ψ' continuous at $x=a \rightarrow -k \sin(ka) = -\gamma A e^{-\gamma a}$

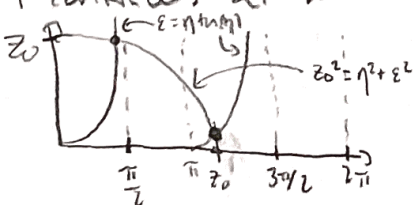
divide

$k \tan(ka) = \gamma$

mult each side by a

$\eta \tan(\eta) = z$

Even solutions: $\eta^2 + z^2 = z_0^2, z = \eta \tan(\eta)$, $E, \eta > 0$



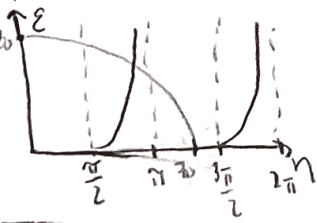
Odd solutions: Exact same thing but do odd side

ψ continuous at $x=a \rightarrow \sin(ka) = A e^{-\gamma a}$

ψ' continuous at $x=a \rightarrow k \cos(ka) = -\gamma A e^{-\gamma a}$

divide

$E = -\eta \cot(\eta)$, w/ $\eta^2 + z^2 = z_0^2$



Finite well scattering states: $\psi'' = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V(x)) \psi$, now $E > 0$

$x < -a, V=0 \rightarrow \psi(x) = A e^{i\mu x} + B e^{-i\mu x}$, $\mu \equiv \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$ (outside well) (TO THE LEFT)

$|x| < a, V=-V_0 \rightarrow \psi(x) = C \sin(lx) + D \cos(lx)$, $l \equiv \frac{\sqrt{2m(E+V_0)}}{\hbar}$ (inside well)

$x > a, V=0 \rightarrow \psi(x) = F e^{i\mu x}$, no incoming wave from the right (TO THE RIGHT)

Boundary conditions

continuity of $\psi(x)$ at $-a$: $A e^{-i\mu a} + B e^{i\mu a} = -C \sin(la) + D \cos(la)$

continuity of $\psi'(x)$ at $-a$: $i\mu [A e^{-i\mu a} - B e^{i\mu a}] = l [C \cos(la) + D \sin(la)]$

continuity of $\psi(x)$ at a : $C \sin(la) + D \cos(la) = F e^{i\mu a}$

continuity of $\psi'(x)$ at a : $l [C \cos(la) - D \sin(la)] = i\mu F e^{i\mu a}$

A is incident amplitude
B is reflected amplitude
F is transmitted amplitude

$T = |F|^2 / |A|^2$

Localized in Quantum

Normalized free particle: $A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2a}}$

(Recall for free particle)

(plug in for $t=0$)

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a}} \frac{\sin(ka)}{k} = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\pi}} \operatorname{sinc}(ka) = \phi(k)$$

$$\text{then } \psi(x,t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{a}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sinc}(ka) e^{i(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m} t)} dk$$

check uncertainty

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \phi(k) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\pi}} \operatorname{sinc}(0) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\pi}}, \text{ constant number, } \Delta p \rightarrow \infty, \Delta x \rightarrow 0$$

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{sinc}(ka) = \pi \delta(ka) = \frac{\pi}{a} \delta(k) \rightarrow \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \phi(k) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} \delta(k), \Delta p \rightarrow 0, \Delta x \rightarrow \infty$$

Full width half maximum:

max at $k=0$

half max:

$$\frac{\phi(k)}{\phi(0)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

ex: w/ $\phi(k) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \frac{2a}{a^2 + k^2} \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi}} \frac{2a}{a^2}$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{\frac{2a}{a^2 + k^2}}{\frac{2a}{a^2}} = \frac{a^2}{a^2 + k^2} = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow k = \pm a$$

So width is $2a$

