

Quickies:

- Q.1: The probability is also time dependent. *that's a guess*
- Q.2: $\left[\begin{array}{l} 1: S \text{ is dependent of the integrand.} \\ 2: S \text{ can be rewritten as a Taylor-approximation} \\ 3: S \text{ can be rewritten as discrete k-moments } S_{ij} \end{array} \right.$ *its time dependent in general!*
we take the $t \rightarrow \infty$ limit where we assume $\frac{d}{dt}(\text{probability})$ becomes constant
- Q.3: If the source is far away. *even if we rewrite the S function we need to get rid of it, typically by integrating over something, eg. phase space of final state particles.*

Exercise 1:

1.)

$$\psi(\vec{x}, t) = \int d^3k \frac{a(\vec{k})}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega(|\vec{k}|)t)}$$

Phase: $\phi(t) = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega(|\vec{k}|)t$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\phi}(t) = \vec{k} \cdot \dot{\vec{x}} - \omega'(|\vec{k}|)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad (\text{const. phase})$$

$$\Rightarrow |\dot{\vec{x}}| = |\vec{v}_p| = \frac{\omega'(|\vec{k}|)}{|\vec{k}|}$$

Phase velocity is perpendicular with wave (\vec{k}) .

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_p = \vec{e}_k \frac{\omega'(|\vec{k}|)}{|\vec{k}|}$$

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2.)

$$v_g = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k}$$

$$\vec{k} = \vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta} \text{ with } |\vec{\delta}| \ll |\vec{k}_0|$$

$$\Rightarrow v_g = \left. \frac{\partial \omega(\vec{k})}{\partial \vec{k}} \right|_{\vec{k}=\vec{k}_0} \text{ since } \vec{k} = \vec{k}_0 + \mathcal{O}(\delta).$$

Group velocity perpendicular to wave (\vec{k}):

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_g = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0} \frac{\partial \omega(\vec{k})}{\partial k_i} \Big|_{\vec{k}=\vec{k}_0} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\psi(\vec{x}, t) = \int d^3k \frac{a(\vec{k})}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega(\vec{k})t)}$$

With $\vec{k} = \vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta}$ and $|\vec{\delta}| \ll |\vec{k}_0|$ follows:

$$\text{I: } |\vec{k}| = |\vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta}| = |\vec{k}_0| + |\vec{\delta}| + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2) \Rightarrow \frac{d|\vec{k}|}{d|\vec{\delta}|} \approx 1 \Rightarrow d^3k \approx d^3\delta$$

$$\text{II: } a(\vec{k}) = a(\vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta})$$

$$\text{III: } \omega(\vec{k}) = \omega(\vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta}) = \omega(|\vec{k}_0|) + \mathcal{O}(\delta) \approx \omega(|\vec{k}_0|)$$

Thus $\psi(\vec{x}, t)$ approximates to:

$$\psi(\vec{x}, t) = \int d^3\delta \frac{a(\vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta})}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i((\vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta}) \cdot \vec{x} - \omega(|\vec{k}_0|) \cdot t)}$$

$$\text{Assume: } \vec{k} \cdot \vec{v}_{ph}(\vec{k}) = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} \frac{\omega(\vec{k})}{|\vec{k}|} \stackrel{\vec{k} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} \cdot |\vec{k}|}{=} \omega(|\vec{k}|) \stackrel{(\text{II})}{=} \omega(|\vec{k}_0|) = \vec{k}_0 \cdot \vec{v}_{ph}(\vec{k}_0)$$

this, i actually don't know why

hmm ... I don't think this is right but in the end it's okay

$$\text{With } \vec{\delta} \cdot \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} = |\vec{\delta}| |\vec{e}_{\vec{k}}| \cos \theta \stackrel{\theta \ll 1}{\approx} |\vec{\delta}| |\vec{e}_{\vec{k}}| \stackrel{\cos \theta \approx 1 + \mathcal{O}(\theta^2)}{=} |\vec{\delta}| |\vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0}| = |\vec{\delta}| \text{ and } \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial |\vec{\delta}|} \approx \frac{\omega}{|\vec{\delta}|} + \mathcal{O} \text{ we also get:}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{\delta} \cdot \vec{v}_g(\vec{k}) = \vec{\delta} \cdot \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} \left. \frac{d\omega}{d|\vec{k}|} \right|_{\vec{k}=\vec{k}_0} = \underbrace{\vec{\delta} \cdot \vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0}}_{\approx |\vec{\delta}|} \underbrace{\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial |\vec{\delta}|}}_{\approx \frac{\omega}{|\vec{\delta}|}} \underbrace{\frac{d|\vec{\delta}|}{d|\vec{k}|}}_{\approx 1} \approx \omega(|\vec{k}_0|)}$$

$$\text{Thus } \psi(\vec{x}, t) = \int d^3\delta \frac{a(\vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta})}{(2\pi)^3} \underbrace{e^{i\vec{k}_0 \cdot [\vec{x} - \vec{v}_{ph}(\vec{k}_0)t]}}_{\text{independent of } \delta} e^{i\vec{\delta} \cdot [\vec{x} - \vec{v}_g \cdot t]}$$

$$= e^{i\vec{k}_0 \cdot [\vec{x} - \vec{v}_{ph}(\vec{k}_0)t]} \int d^3\delta \frac{a(\vec{k}_0 + \vec{\delta})}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{\delta} \cdot [\vec{x} - \vec{v}_g \cdot t]} \quad \checkmark$$

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3.)

If $\vec{x}' = \vec{x} - \vec{v}_g \cdot t$:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\vec{x}, t) &= e^{i\vec{k}_0 \cdot [\vec{x} - \vec{v}_g(\vec{k}_0)t]} \int d^3\vec{s} \frac{a(\vec{k}_0 + \vec{s})}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{s} \cdot [\vec{x} - \vec{v}_g \cdot t]} \quad | \vec{s} = \vec{k} - \vec{k}_0, \frac{d\vec{k}}{d\vec{s}} \approx 1 \\ &= e^{i\vec{k}_0 \cdot [\vec{x} - \vec{v}_g(\vec{k}_0)t]} e^{-i\vec{k}_0 \cdot \vec{v}_g t} \underbrace{\int d^3\vec{k} \frac{a(\vec{k}_0 + \vec{s})}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot [\vec{x} - \vec{v}_g \cdot t]}}_{= \psi(\vec{x} - \vec{v}_g \cdot t, t=0)} \\ &= \psi(\vec{x} - \vec{v}_g \cdot t, 0) e^{i\vec{k}_0 \cdot [\vec{v}_g - \vec{v}_{ph}(\vec{k}_0)]} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

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4.) $\vec{v}_{ph} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} \frac{\omega(\vec{k})}{|\vec{k}|}$, $\vec{v}_g = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0} \left. \frac{\partial \omega(\vec{k})}{\partial |\vec{k}|} \right|_{\vec{k}=\vec{k}_0}$, $\omega(\vec{k}) = E(\vec{k})/\hbar$

i) $E(\vec{k}) = \hbar c |\vec{k}|$

$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_{ph} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} c$, $\vec{v}_g = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0} c$ \checkmark

ii) $E(\vec{k}) = \hbar^2 |\vec{k}|^2 / (2m)$

$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_{ph} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} \cdot \frac{\hbar |\vec{k}|}{2m}$, $\vec{v}_g = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0} \cdot \frac{\hbar |\vec{k}|}{m}$ \checkmark

Since $\vec{k} \approx \vec{k}_0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}_0 \approx |\vec{k}_0|^2 \approx |\vec{k}|^2$

$\Rightarrow e^{i\vec{k}_0 \cdot (\vec{v}_g - \vec{v}_{ph})} = e^{i\hbar |\vec{k}_0| (\frac{\hbar}{m} - \frac{\hbar}{2m})} = e^{i\hbar \frac{E(\vec{k}_0)}{\hbar}} \quad \checkmark$

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5.) $E(\vec{k}) = \sqrt{m^2 c^4 + \hbar^2 \vec{k}^2 c^2}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_{ph} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} c \sqrt{\frac{m^2 c^4}{\hbar^2 \vec{k}^2} + 1}$, $\vec{v}_g = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0} \frac{\hbar |\vec{k}| c^2}{\sqrt{m^2 c^4 + \hbar^2 \vec{k}^2 c^2}} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0} c \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\frac{mc}{\hbar |\vec{k}|})^2 + 1}}$

$m \rightarrow 0$: $\vec{v}_{ph} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} c$, $\vec{v}_g = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}_0} c$ \checkmark

As $|\vec{k}| \rightarrow 0$: $\vec{v}_{ph} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} \frac{\sqrt{m^2 c^4 + \hbar^2 \vec{k}^2 c^2}}{\hbar |\vec{k}|} \stackrel{m^2 c^4 \ll \hbar^2 \vec{k}^2 c^2}{=} \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} \frac{\sqrt{\hbar^2 \vec{k}^2 c^2}}{\hbar |\vec{k}|} = \vec{e}_{\vec{k}} c$

as $|\vec{k}| \rightarrow 0$ first term $\propto \frac{1}{|\vec{k}|} \rightarrow \infty$ dominates!
 $|\vec{v}_{ph}| \rightarrow \infty$ in this limit! \square

2) Scattering on a constant potential

$$V(\vec{r}) = \begin{cases} V_0 & \text{for } |\vec{r}| < r_0 \\ 0 & \text{for } |\vec{r}| \geq r_0 \end{cases}$$

$$1) f_{\vec{k}} = -\frac{2M}{|\vec{q}|^3 \hbar^2} \int_0^\infty dr' V(r') r' \sin(|\vec{q}| r')$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{\vec{k}} = -\frac{2M}{|\vec{q}|^3 \hbar^2} \int_0^{r_0} dr' V_0 r' \sin(|\vec{q}| r')$$

$$= -\frac{2MV_0}{|\vec{q}|^3 \hbar^2} \left[-\frac{r'}{|\vec{q}|} \cos(|\vec{q}| r') + \frac{1}{|\vec{q}|} \int dr' \cos(|\vec{q}| r') \right]_0^{r_0}$$

$$= -\frac{2MV_0}{|\vec{q}|^3 \hbar^2} \left[-r' \cos(|\vec{q}| r') + \frac{1}{|\vec{q}|} \sin(|\vec{q}| r') \right]_0^{r_0}$$

$$= -\frac{2MV_0}{|\vec{q}|^3 \hbar^2} \left[\sin(|\vec{q}| r_0) - |\vec{q}| r_0 \cos(|\vec{q}| r_0) \right]$$

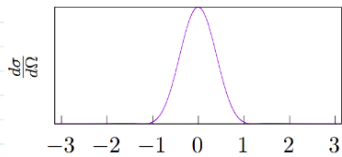
$\approx A/|\vec{q}|^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{|\vec{q}| \rightarrow 0} f_{\vec{k}} &= \lim_{|\vec{q}| \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{A \sin(|\vec{q}| r_0) - A r_0 |\vec{q}| \cos(|\vec{q}| r_0)}{|\vec{q}|^3} \right) \quad | \text{ L'Hospital} \\ &= \lim_{|\vec{q}| \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{A r_0 \cos(|\vec{q}| r_0) - A r_0 \cos(|\vec{q}| r_0) + A r_0^2 |\vec{q}| \sin(|\vec{q}| r_0)}{3|\vec{q}|^2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{|\vec{q}| \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{A r_0^2 |\vec{q}| \sin(|\vec{q}| r_0)}{3|\vec{q}|^2} \right) \quad | \text{ L'Hospital} \\ &= \lim_{|\vec{q}| \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{A r_0^2 \sin(|\vec{q}| r_0) + A r_0^3 |\vec{q}| \cos(|\vec{q}| r_0)}{6|\vec{q}|} \right) \quad | \text{ L'Hospital} \\ &= \lim_{|\vec{q}| \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{A r_0^3 \cos(|\vec{q}| r_0) + A r_0^3 \cos(|\vec{q}| r_0) - A r_0^4 |\vec{q}| \sin(|\vec{q}| r_0)}{6} \right) \\ &= \frac{A r_0^3}{3} \propto r_0^3 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

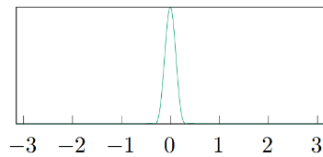
$$2) |\vec{q}| = 2k \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \quad \text{where } k = |\vec{k}|$$

Plot of the cross section $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$:

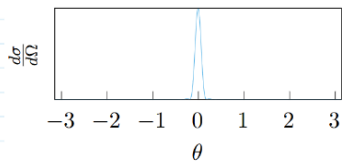
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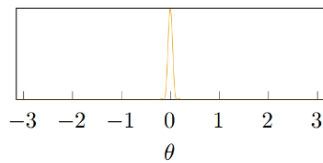
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$k = 24$

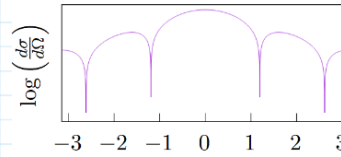


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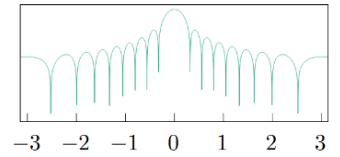


Plot of $\log\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)$ to visualize the zeros:

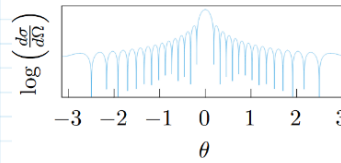
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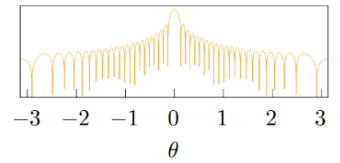
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For larger k the number of zero points, and so the number of maxima and minima becomes large.

always infinitely many!

$$3) \text{ Show: } \frac{MV_0 r_0^2}{\hbar^2} \ll 1$$

$$\cdot |f_{\vec{k}}(\theta, \varphi)| \ll r_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| -\frac{2MV_0 r_0^2}{3\hbar^2} \right| \ll r_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \frac{MV_0 r_0^2}{\hbar^2} \ll 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{MV_0 r_0^2}{\hbar^2} \ll 1 \quad \square$$