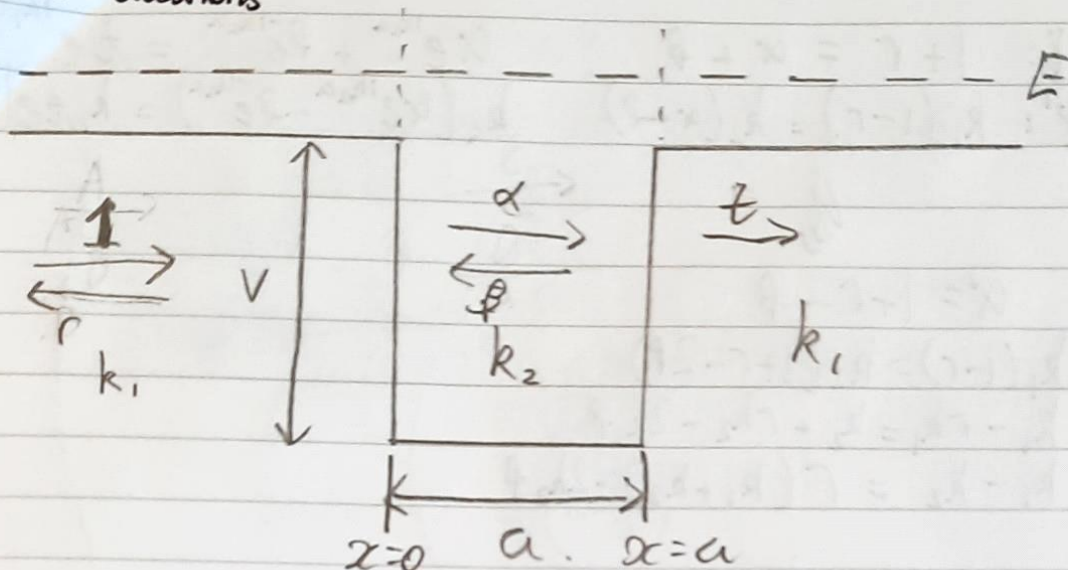


9) QM Questions



Beam of particles can be represented by a plane wave.
Schrödinger:

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi + V\psi.$$

$$E\psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + V\psi.$$

$$\psi = Ae^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

~~Wave function~~

$$(E - V)\psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi$$

$$(E - V)\psi = +\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} k^2 \psi$$

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{2m(E - V)}{\hbar^2}}$$

ψ must be continuous and differentiable.

$$k_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}} \quad k_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2m(E - V)}{\hbar^2}}$$

~~$\psi = A + B = C + D$~~

$$x=0$$

$$\psi: 1+r = \alpha + \beta$$

$$\psi': k_1(1-r) = k_2(\alpha - \beta)$$

$$x=a$$

$$\alpha e^{ik_2 a} + \beta e^{-ik_2 a} = t e^{ik_1 a}$$

$$k_2(\alpha e^{ik_2 a} - \beta e^{-ik_2 a}) = k_1 t e^{ik_1 a}$$



$$\alpha = 1+r - \beta$$

$$k_1(1-r) = k_2(1+r-2\beta)$$

$$k_1 - rk_1 = k_2 + rk_2 - 2k_2\beta$$

$$k_1 - k_2 = r(k_1 + k_2) - 2k_2\beta$$

$$r = \alpha + \beta - 1$$

$$k_1(2 - \alpha - \beta) = k_2(\alpha - \beta)$$

$$2k_1 - \alpha k_1 - \beta k_1 = \alpha k_2 - \beta k_2$$

$$2k_1 = \alpha(k_1 + k_2) + \beta(k_1 - k_2)$$

$$2 = \alpha(1 + \frac{k_2}{k_1}) + \beta(1 - \frac{k_2}{k_1})$$

$$k_2(\alpha e^{ik_2 a} - \beta e^{-ik_2 a}) = k_1(\alpha e^{ik_2 a} + \beta e^{-ik_2 a})$$

$$\alpha(k_2 e^{ik_2 a} - k_1 e^{ik_2 a}) = \beta(k_1 e^{-ik_2 a} + k_2 e^{-ik_2 a})$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\beta(k_1 e^{-ik_2 a} + k_2 e^{-ik_2 a})}{k_2 e^{ik_2 a} - k_1 e^{ik_2 a}}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{t}{2} \left(1 + \frac{k_1}{k_2}\right) e^{-ik_2 a} e^{ik_1 a}$$

$$\beta = \frac{t}{2} \left(1 - \frac{k_1}{k_2}\right) e^{+ik_2 a} e^{ik_1 a}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{2k_1 k_2 e^{-ik_2 a}}{2k_1 k_2 \cos(k_2 a) - i(k_1^2 + k_2^2) \sin(k_2 a)}$$

$$r = \frac{(k_1^2 - k_2^2) \sin(k_2 a)}{(k_1^2 + k_2^2) \sin(k_2 a) + 2ik_1 k_2 \cos(k_2 a)}$$

So, when does $R = r^2 = 0$?

Entweder $k_1 = k_2$ (nicht true) oder $\sin(ck_2) = 0$.

$$\text{So } a k_2 = n\pi$$

$$k_2 = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m(E-V)}{\hbar^2}} = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

$$2m(E-V) = \left(\hbar \frac{n\pi}{a}\right)^2$$

$$E = \frac{\left(\frac{h n \pi}{a}\right)^2}{2m} + V$$

$$T = t^2 =$$

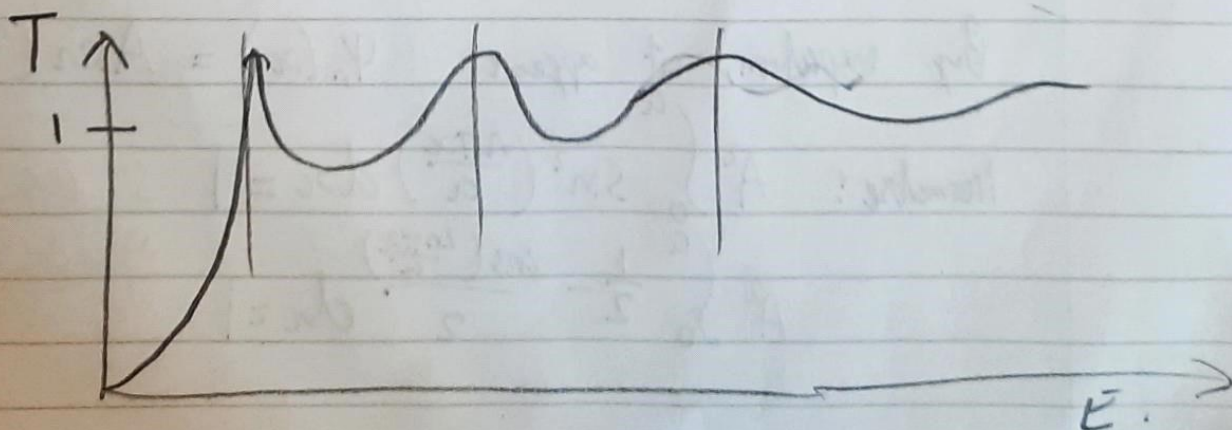
$$4k_1^2 k_2^2 \cos^2(k_2 a) - (k_1^2 + k_2^2)^2 \sin^2(k_2 a) - 4ik_1 k_2 (k_1^2 + k_2^2) \frac{\sin}{\cos}$$

$$t t^* = \frac{2k_1 k_2 e^{-ik_1 a}}{2k_1 k_2 \cosh k_2 a - i(k_1^2 + k_2^2) \sinh k_2 a} \cdot \frac{2k_1 k_2 e^{ik_1 a}}{2k_1 k_2 \cosh k_2 a + i(k_1^2 + k_2^2) \sinh k_2 a}$$

$$= \frac{4 k_1^2 k_2^2}{4 k_1^2 k_2^2 \cos^2(k_2 a) + (k_1^2 + k_2^2)^2 \sin^2(k_2 a)}$$

$$(2) \quad \cancel{\frac{2mE}{h^2}} \cdot \cancel{\frac{2m(E-V)}{h^2}} \rightarrow \frac{2m(2E-V)}{h^2}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4m^2}{\hbar^4}}{\frac{4m^2}{\hbar^4}} \cdot \frac{4E(E-V)}{4E(E-V) \cos^2\left(a\sqrt{\frac{2m(E-V)}{\hbar^2}}\right) + (2E-V)^2 \sin^2(k_2 a)}$$



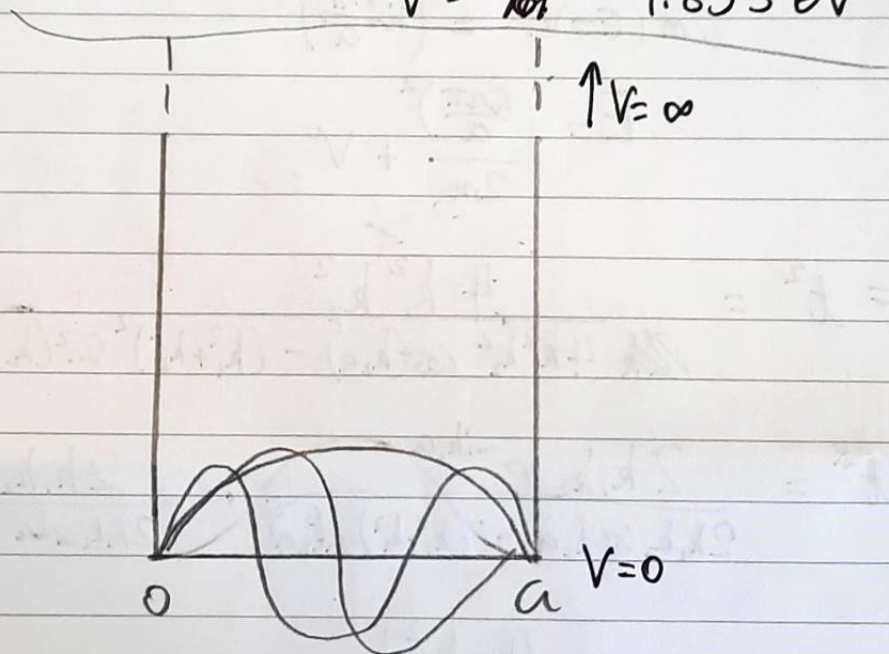
Electrons, $E = 0.5 \text{ eV}$, $a = 0.4 \text{ nm}$,
 Scattering minimum = no reflection?

$$V = E - \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2m_e a^2}$$

$$V = (0.5 \text{ eV}) - \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2m_e (0.4 \cdot 10^{-9})^2}$$

$$V = -1.853 \text{ eV}$$

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Beyond the box $\psi = 0$ as $k \rightarrow 0$.

Boundary conditions:

$$\psi: \psi(0, t) = \psi(a, t) = 0$$

$$\psi': \psi'(0, t) = \psi'(a, t) = 0$$

V is discontinuous and $\rightarrow \infty$ so ψ' need not be continuous

By inspection, it appears $\psi_n(x) = A \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right)$.

$$\text{Normalise: } A^2 \int_0^a \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx = 1$$

$$A^2 \int_0^a \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right)}{2} dx = 1$$

$$\cos 2x = 1 - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$\frac{-\cos 2x + 1}{2} = \sin^2 x$$

$$A^2 \left[\frac{x}{2} \right]_0^a - A^2 \left[\frac{\sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right)}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2n\pi} \right]_0^a = 1$$

$$\frac{A^2 a}{2} - 0 \text{ for all } n = 1.$$

$$A^2 = \frac{2}{a}, \quad A = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}}.$$

$$\text{So } \psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right).$$

$$Suv' = uv - Svu'.$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_0^a x |\psi(x)|^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a x \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx.$$

$$u = x \quad v' = \sin^2 \frac{n\pi x}{a}$$

$$v' = 1 \quad v = \text{prev. answer}$$

$$= \frac{2}{a} \left[x \left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{a \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right)}{2n\pi} \right) \right]_0^a$$

$$- \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a \frac{x}{2} - \frac{a \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right)}{2n\pi} dx.$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{a} a - \frac{2}{a} \left[\frac{x^2}{4} \right]_0^a + \frac{2a}{2n\pi} \left[\cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) \cdot \frac{a}{2n\pi} \right]_0^a$$

$$= a - \frac{1}{2} \frac{a^2}{a} + \frac{a^2}{2n^2\pi^2} \left[\cos \frac{2n\pi x}{a} \right]_0^a$$

$$= a - \frac{a}{2} + \frac{a^2}{2n^2\pi^2} (1 - 1)$$

$$= \frac{a}{2} \text{ for all } n. \quad (\text{could have done this by eye, Hoho!})$$

$$\Delta x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_0^a x^2 |\psi(x)|^2 dx.$$

$$= \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a x^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx.$$

$$\frac{2}{a} \int_0^a x^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) dx.$$

$$= \frac{2}{a} \left[x^2 \left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{a}{2} \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) \right) \right]_0^a$$

$$- \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a 2x \left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{a \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right)}{2n\pi} \right) dx$$

$$= a^2 - \frac{2}{a} \left[\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^a - \frac{2a}{n\pi} \int_0^a x \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) dx$$

$$= a^2 - \frac{2}{3}a^2 - \frac{2}{n\pi} \left(\left[-x \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) \frac{a}{2n\pi} \right]_0^a + \int_0^a \frac{a}{2n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) dx \right)$$

$$U = x$$

$$V' = \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right)$$

$$U' = 1$$

$$V = -\cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) \cdot \frac{a}{2n\pi}$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{3} + \frac{2a}{n^2\pi^2} \left[x \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) \right]_0^a - \frac{a}{n^2\pi^2} \cdot \frac{a}{2n\pi} \left[\sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{a}\right) \right]_0^a$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{3} + \frac{2a}{n^2\pi^2} (a) = a^2 \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{n^2\pi^2} \right)$$

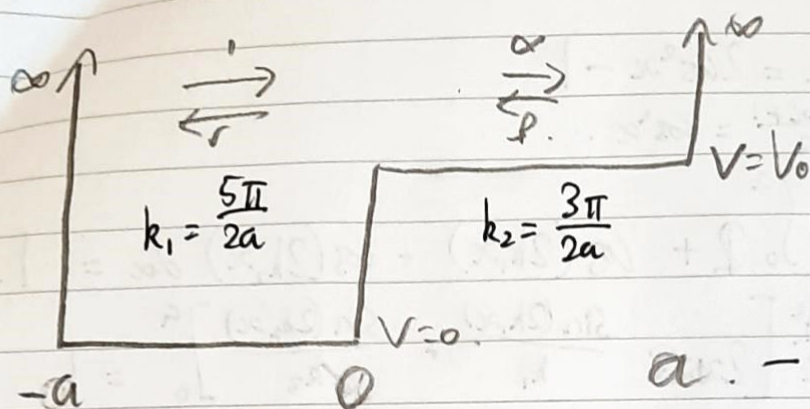
$$\Delta x = \sqrt{\langle x \rangle^2 - \langle x^2 \rangle}$$

$$\Delta x^2 = \frac{a^2}{12} - \frac{a^2}{3} - \frac{2a^2}{n^2\pi^2}$$

$$\Delta x^2 = \frac{a^2}{12} - \frac{2a^2}{n^2\pi^2}$$

$$\frac{\Delta x}{a} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{12} - \frac{2}{n^2\pi^2}}$$

When $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\Delta x \rightarrow a/\sqrt{12}$.



a - changed coords.

$$\psi_1(-a) = 0. \quad \psi_2(a) = 0. \quad \psi_1(0) = \psi_2(0) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_1'(0) = \psi_2'(0)$$

Since the walls are infinite and impenetrable, $r=1$ and $\alpha=\beta$.

$$\Rightarrow \psi_1 = e^{ik_1 x} + e^{-ik_1 x} = 2 \cos(k_1 x). \quad \text{Time not considered.}$$

$$\psi_2 = \alpha (e^{ik_2 x} + e^{-ik_2 x}) = 2\alpha \cos(k_2 x).$$

These cosines must = 0 at the far edges.

$$\cos(k_1 a) = \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{2}\right) = 0 \checkmark. \quad \cos(k_2 a) = \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = 0 \checkmark.$$

The derivatives at 0 are both 0 so this is also satisfied (ψ').

For $\psi_1(0) = \psi_2(0)$, $\alpha = 1$.

Normalisation:

$$\int_{-a}^0 (A \cos(k_1 x))^2 dx + \int_0^a (A \cos(k_2 x))^2 dx = 1$$

$$A^2 \int_0^a (\cos k_1 x)^2 + (\cos k_2 x)^2 dx = 1 \quad (\text{by cos symmetry}).$$

$$A^2 \left[\frac{\sin k_1 x}{k_1} + \frac{\sin k_2 x}{k_2} \right]_0^a = 1.$$

$$\frac{2a}{\pi} A^2 \left(\frac{\sin(\frac{5\pi}{2})}{5} + \frac{\sin(\frac{3\pi}{2})}{3} - \frac{\sin 0}{5} - \frac{\sin 0}{3} \right) = 1$$

$$\frac{2a}{\pi} A^2 \left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{3} \right) = 1.$$

Forgot to
square.

$$\cos 2x = 2\cos^2 x - 1$$

$$\frac{\cos 2x + 1}{2} = \cos^2 x.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{A^2}{2} \int_0^a 2 + \cos(2k_1 x) + \cos(2k_2 x) dx = 1.$$

$$\frac{A^2}{2} \left[2x + \frac{\sin(2k_1 x)}{k_1} + \frac{\sin(2k_2 x)}{k_2} \right]_0^a = 1.$$

$$A^2 a = 1, \text{ or } A^2 = 1/a, \quad A = \sqrt{1/a}.$$

So

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{1/a} \cos\left(\frac{5\pi x}{2a}\right), & -a < x \leq 0 \\ \sqrt{1/a} \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{2a}\right), & 0 \leq x < a \end{cases}$$

Odds of finding in the left half:

$$P = \int_{-a}^0 x |\psi(x)|^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{a} \int_{-a}^0 x \cos^2\left(\frac{5\pi x}{2a}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2a} \int_{-a}^0 x + x \cos\left(\frac{5\pi x}{a}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2a} \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{-a}^0 + \frac{1}{2a} \left[\frac{ax}{5\pi} \sin\left(\frac{5\pi x}{a}\right) \right]_{-a}^0 - \frac{1}{2a} \frac{a^2}{25\pi^2} \left[\cos\left(\frac{5\pi x}{a}\right) \right]_{-a}^0$$

$$= 0 - \frac{a}{4} + \frac{a^2}{25\pi^2} (1 - -1) = \frac{2a^2}{25\pi^2} - \frac{a}{4}.$$

$$= \frac{a}{25\pi^2} - \frac{a}{4}.$$

X Why do I keep doing this?

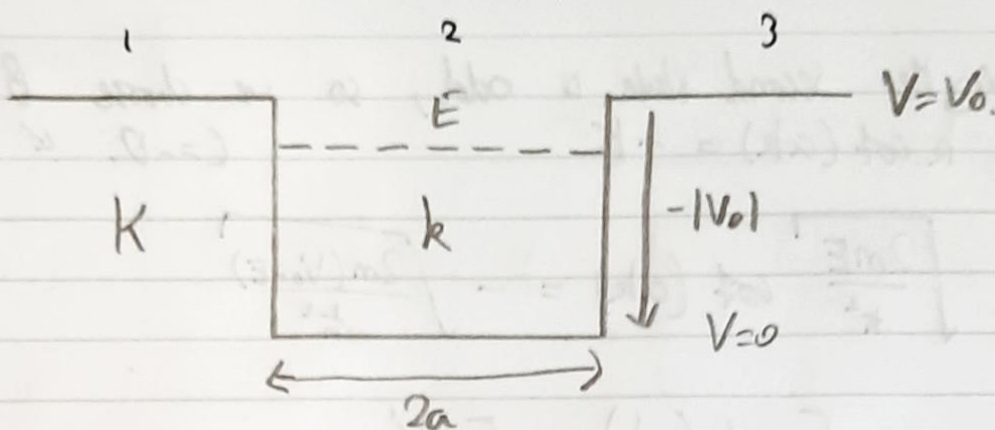
$$P = \int \psi^2 dx = \frac{1}{a} \int_{-a}^0 \cos^2\left(\frac{5\pi x}{2a}\right) dx$$

$$= 1/2.$$

How would you find this classically?

left 1/2 the 9/8, right 3/8?

(2.14)



If there is one and only one available state, this must be the ground state, with the $n=2$ state being too high energy. Bound states imply $E < V_0$.

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{2m(E - V)}{\hbar^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 \hbar^2 / 2m = E, < V_0.$$

$$K = \sqrt{\frac{2m(V_0 - E)}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$\psi_1 = C e^{Kx}$$

$$\psi_3 = D e^{-Kx}$$

$$\psi_2 = A \sin kx + B \cos kx$$

Boundaries: ψ is continuous and differentiable at a and $-a$.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad a: D e^{-Ka} = A \sin ka + B \cos ka$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad -a: C e^{-Ka} = -A \sin ka + B \cos ka$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad a: -k D e^{-Ka} = k A \cos ka - k B \sin ka$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad -a: k C e^{-Ka} = k A \cos ka + k B \sin ka$$

$$k \cot(ka) = -K \quad \text{if } A \neq 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2}: (D + C) e^{-Ka} = 2B \cos(ka)$$

$$\textcircled{1} - \textcircled{2}: (D - C) e^{-Ka} = 2A \sin(ka)$$

$$\textcircled{3} - \textcircled{4}: k(D + C) e^{-Ka} = 2k B \sin(ka)$$

$$\textcircled{3} + \textcircled{4}: -k(D - C) e^{-Ka} = 2k A \cos(ka)$$

$$k \tan(ka) = K \quad \text{if } B \neq 0$$

Now the second state is odd, so we choose $\beta = 0$.
 $k \cot(ak) = -K$ $(= -0)$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}} \cot(ak) = -\sqrt{\frac{2m(V_0 - E)}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$E \cot(ak) = E - V_0$$

$$\cot(ak) = 1 - \frac{V_0}{E} \quad \text{note } E < V_0 \text{ so}$$

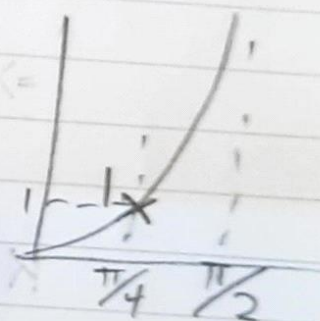
$$\cot(ak) = 1 - \frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2} \quad \underline{1 - \frac{V_0}{E} < 0}$$

$$\cot(ak) < 1$$

$$\frac{1}{\tan(ak)} < 1$$

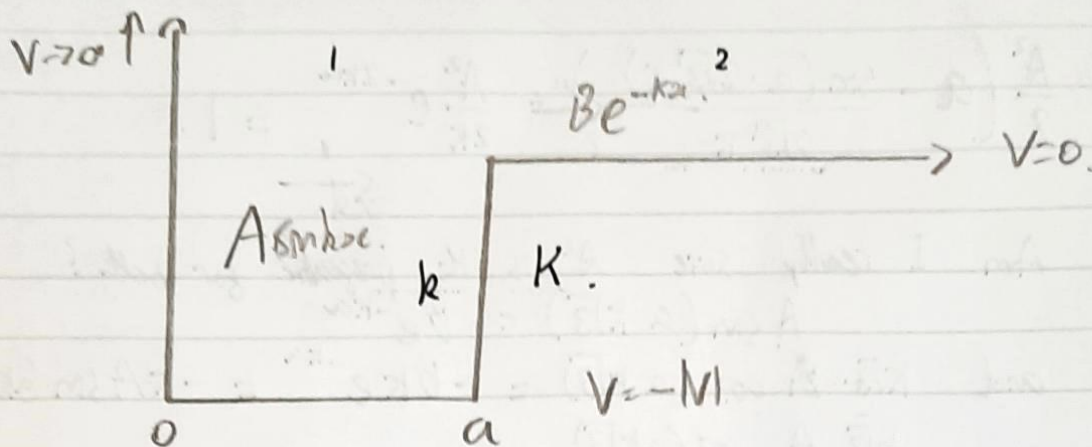
$$a \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}} < \arctan(1)$$

$$\frac{a^2 \cdot 2mE}{\hbar^2} < \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2$$



Should have V_0 instead of E so an error somewhere.

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$E = -V_0/4$. $E < 0$ so evanescent beyond $x = a$.
 $\psi(0) = 0$. $\psi_+(a) = \psi_-(a)$. $\psi'_+(a) = \psi'_-(a)$.
 \downarrow $\rightarrow A = B$, unless a node?

ψ in region 1 must be a sine wave.
 ψ in region 2 must be a decaying exponential.

$$\begin{aligned}
 K &= \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}} & k &= \sqrt{\frac{2m(E - V)}{\hbar^2}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{2mV}{4\hbar^2}} & &= \sqrt{\frac{2mV \cdot 3}{4\hbar^2}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{mV}{2\hbar^2}} & &= \sqrt{\frac{3mV}{2\hbar^2}} = k\sqrt{3}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \sin ka &= B e^{-Ka} \\
 A \sin(k\sqrt{3}a) &= B e^{-Ka}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Normalisation:

$$\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2\sin^2\theta$$

$$\frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} = \sin^2\theta.$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi|^2 dx = 1.$$

$$\int_0^a A^2 \sin^2(xk\sqrt{3}) dx + \int_a^{\infty} A^2 e^{-2Kx} dx = 1.$$

$$\frac{A^2}{2} \int_0^a (1 - \cos(2\sqrt{3}Kx)) dx + \frac{A^2}{2K} \left[-e^{-2Kx} \right]_a^{\infty} = 1$$

$$\frac{A^2}{2} \left[x - \frac{\sin(2\sqrt{3}Kx)}{2\sqrt{3}K} \right]_0^a + \frac{A^2}{2K} (0 - (-e^{-2Ka})) = 1$$

$$\frac{A^2}{2} \left(a - \frac{\sin(a \cdot 2\sqrt{3}k)}{2\sqrt{3}k} \right) + \frac{A^2}{2k} e^{-2ka} = 1.$$

inside β^2 ? outside

Am I really sure A^2 is the prefactor for both?

$$A \sin(ak\sqrt{3}) = \beta e^{-ka}$$

and $k\sqrt{3} \cdot A \cos(ak\sqrt{3}) = -\beta k e^{-ka} = -k A \sin(ak\sqrt{3}).$

$$-\frac{k\sqrt{3}}{k} \frac{A \cos(ak\sqrt{3})}{A \sin(ak\sqrt{3})} = 1$$

$$-\sqrt{3} = \tan(ak\sqrt{3})$$

$$\frac{\pi}{3} = -ak\sqrt{3}$$

$$k = -\frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}a}?$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(a \cdot 2\sqrt{3} \cdot k) = \sin\left(-\frac{\pi \cdot a \cdot 2\sqrt{3}}{3\sqrt{3}a}\right) = \sin\left(-\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

$$P(\text{inside}) + P(\text{outside}) = 1.$$

$$\frac{A^2}{2} \left(a + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) + \frac{A^2}{-2\frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}a}} e^{-2a \cdot -\frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}a}} = 1$$

$$\frac{A^2}{2} \left(a + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) + \frac{3\sqrt{3}A^2a}{-2\pi} e^{\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}} = 1$$

$$\frac{A^2}{2} \left(a - \frac{3a\sqrt{3}}{2\pi} \right) + \frac{3\sqrt{3}A^2a}{2\pi} e^{\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}} = 1$$

$$\frac{3\sqrt{3}aA^2}{2\pi} e^{\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}}$$

Attempt at ratio:

$$\frac{\frac{A^2a}{2\pi}}{\frac{A^2a}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{3}e^{\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}}}{3\sqrt{3}e^{\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}} + \frac{1}{\pi} - 3\sqrt{3}} \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{3}e^{\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}}}{\sqrt{3}e^{\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}} - \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{3\pi}}.$$

Has $\sqrt{3}$ in at least.