

Physics 123 - April 8, 2013

- Final Exam Location → Lower Strong (May 7)
- Exam 2 This Thursday 0800 Dewey 1101
Full 8.5x11 sheet
calculator
- Q+A session 4:30 - 6:00 pm Meliora 208
overlap w/ workshops - also review
NOT ideal - Sorry
- P.S. 9 Solutions
- Wednesday's Lecture

Last Week



Bohr model

quantized circular orbits

$$r_n = \frac{n^2 h^2}{k z e^2 m}$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

with quantized energies

$$E_{n \text{ Total}} = - \frac{m k^2 z^2 e^4}{2 n^2 h^2}$$

- e^- in circular orbits
- e^- held in atom via Coulomb attraction
- Single e^-
- e^- exists in discrete stable orbits
- Photons emitted as e^- jumps between orbits
- Photon energy corresponds to difference in energy between the two energy levels

Particles

R

Waves

Wiederher

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \hbar$$

uncertainty Principle

$$\Delta E \Delta t \geq \hbar$$

Downfall of the
Deterministic universe!

Here comes Harry Potter!

Quantum
mechanics

1-d
nonrelativistic
time-dependent
Schrödinger
equation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2} + V \Psi(x,t)$$

Time independent
1-d nonrelativistic
Schrödinger equ

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \Psi(x) = E \Psi(x)$$

$$\Psi(x,t) = \Psi(x) e^{-i\frac{Et}{\hbar}}$$

Born's postulate : at time t , $\psi^*(x,t) \psi(x,t) dx = |\psi(x,t)|^2 dx$
gives the probability of finding the particle
between x and $x+dx$

Normalize $\psi(x,t)$ so that the total probability is 1

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(x,t)|^2 dx = 1$$

The particle must be
somewhere

Examples

Free particle

Time ind.
Schr. eqn

$V(x) = 0$ for all x

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

$\swarrow 0$

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

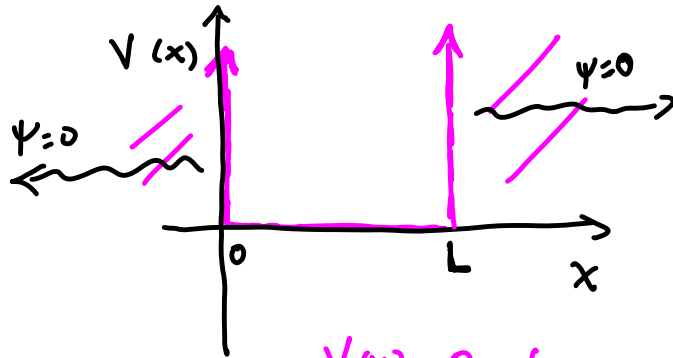
$$\text{where } k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}$$

-or-

$$\psi(x) = A' \sin(kx) + B' \cos(kx)$$

$$k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}$$

1-d
Particle in box
"Square well"



$$V(x) = 0 \text{ for } 0 < x < L$$
$$V(x) = \infty \text{ for } x < 0, L < x$$

as $V \rightarrow \infty$ Schr eqn makes no sense
so $\psi = 0$ there

for $0 < x < L$ $V(x) = 0$
particle is free
inside the Box

$$\psi(x) = A \sin kx + B \cos kx$$

Boundary conditions

$$\text{at } x=0, \psi=0 \rightarrow B=0$$

$$\text{at } x=L, \psi=0 \rightarrow \sin kL = 0 \quad kL = n\pi \quad n=1, 2, 3 \dots$$

Energy quantized $k = \frac{n\pi}{L}$ so, $E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L^2 2m}$ where $n=1, 2, 3 \dots$

Normalization
Determine "A"

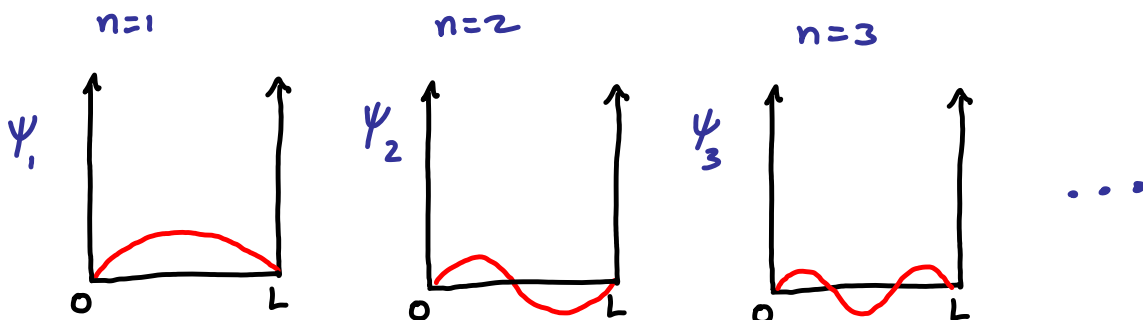
$$\int \psi(x)^* \psi(x) dx = 1 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \int_0^L A^2 \sin^2(kx) dx = 1$$

$$\psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad \text{for } n=1, 2, 3, \dots \quad \text{in } 0 < x < L$$

$$kL = n\pi$$

$$2\pi/\lambda = n\pi/L$$

$$\lambda = 2L/n$$



$n=1$

$\lambda = 2L$

$$\psi_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$$

$n=2$

$\lambda = L$

$$\psi_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{L}$$

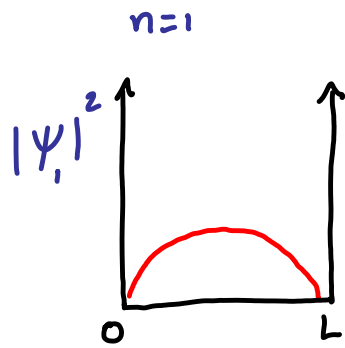
$n=3$

$\lambda = \frac{2L}{3}$

$$\psi_3 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L}$$

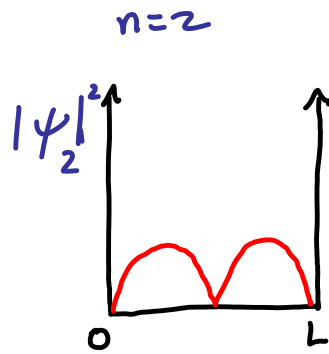
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What is the probability density for seeing particle at position x



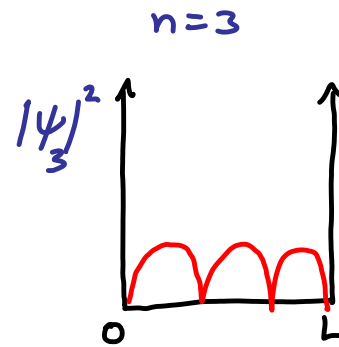
$$\lambda = 2L$$

$$|\psi_1|^2 = \frac{2}{L} \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{L} x$$



$$\lambda = L$$

$$|\psi_2|^2 = \frac{2}{L} \sin^2 \frac{2\pi}{L} x$$



$$\lambda = \frac{2L}{3}$$

$$|\psi_3|^2 = \frac{2}{L} \sin^2 \frac{3\pi}{L} x$$

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What is the average position of particle in state n ?

$$\frac{\sum P_x}{\sum P} \cdot \bar{x} = \langle x \rangle = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* x \psi dx}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* \psi dx} = 1$$

Expectation value of x

Prob. weighted position

Expectation value of $f(x)$

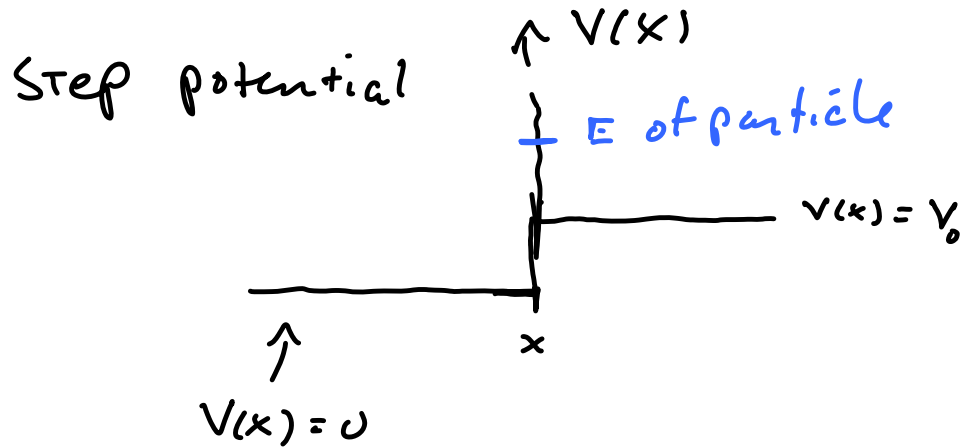
$$\langle f(x) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^*(x) f(x) \psi(x) dx$$

for ∞ Square well, $n=2$

$$\psi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{L}$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-a}^{\infty} \psi^* x \psi dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \sin^2 \left(\frac{2\pi x}{L} \right) x dx = \frac{L}{2}$$

Step or Barrier potential problems



Classically $E = \frac{p^2}{2m}$ $\oplus x$ direction \rightarrow

encounter a potential — repulsive force

$$F = -\frac{dV}{dx}$$

Slows particle down

$$x < 0 \quad p = \sqrt{2mE}$$

$$x > 0 \quad p = \sqrt{2m(E - V_0)}$$

in QM

$$x < 0 \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} = E \psi(x)$$

free particle

$$x > 0 \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} = (E - V_0) \psi(x)$$

free particle

$$E > V_0$$

$$E - V_0 > 0$$

$x < 0$

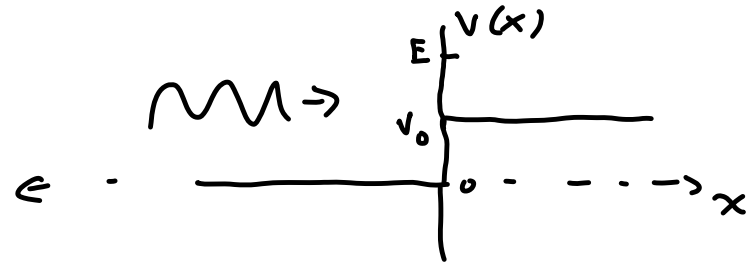
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$$k_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

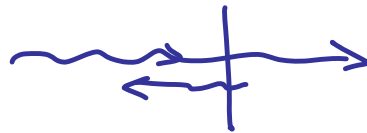
$x > 0$

$$\psi(x) = C e^{ik_2 x} + D e^{-ik_2 x}$$

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



particle coming from left incident on step potential



$$x < 0$$

$$\psi(x) = A e^{ik_1 x} + B e^{-ik_1 x}$$

$$x > 0$$

$$\psi(x) = C e^{ik_2 x}$$

$$D = 0$$

Boundary conditions $\psi(0) = \psi(0) \Rightarrow A + B = C$

$$\left. \frac{d\psi(x)}{dx} \right|_{x < 0} = \left. \frac{d\psi(x)}{dx} \right|_{x > 0}$$

$$A k_1 e^{i k_1 x} - B i k_1 e^{i k_1 x} = C i k_2 e^{i k_2 x}$$

$$k_1 (A - B) = k_2 C$$