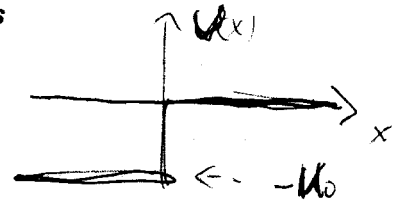




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Some simple 1D QM problem



* Potential step

$$-\psi'' + U(x)\psi = \epsilon \psi, \quad \left(\epsilon = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}, \quad U(x) = \frac{2mV(x)}{\hbar^2} \right)$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \epsilon > 0, \quad \psi'' + (\epsilon - U)\psi = 0$$

$$x < 0, \quad \psi'' + k_1^2 \psi = 0, \quad k_1^2 \equiv \epsilon + U_0$$

$$x > 0, \quad \psi'' + k_2^2 \psi = 0, \quad k_2^2 \equiv \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi_- = A e^{ik_1 x} + B e^{-ik_1 x}$$

$$\psi_+ = C e^{ik_2 x} + D e^{-ik_2 x}$$

Imagine a wave $e^{ik_1 x}$ coming from the left, $\Rightarrow A=1, B \neq 0$ $C \neq 0$,
(transmitted wave) $D=0$ (no wave coming in from the right)

(reflected wave)

$$\psi_- = e^{ik_1 x} + B e^{-ik_1 x}$$

$$\psi_+ = C e^{ik_2 x}$$

$$\psi \text{ and } \psi' \text{ continuous at } x=0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 1+B=C \\ ik_1(1-B) = ik_2 C \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi_- = e^{ik_1 x} + \frac{k_1 - k_2}{k_1 + k_2} e^{-ik_1 x}, \quad \psi_+ = \frac{2k_1}{k_1 + k_2} e^{ik_2 x}$$

check its probability current for the incident wave

$$j_{inc} = \frac{\hbar k_1}{m} = \frac{p_1}{m} = v_1, \quad j_{refl} = \left(\frac{k_1 - k_2}{k_1 + k_2} \right)^2 \frac{\hbar k_1}{m}$$

$$\text{The reflection coefficient } R = \left| \frac{j_{refl}}{j_{inc}} \right| = \left(\frac{k_1 - k_2}{k_1 + k_2} \right)^2$$

$$\& \quad j_{transmitted} = \frac{4k_1^2}{(k_1 + k_2)^2} \frac{\hbar k_2}{m}, \quad T = \left| \frac{j_{trans}}{j_{inc}} \right| = \frac{4k_1 k_2}{(k_1 + k_2)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow R+T=1 \quad / \quad \epsilon \rightarrow 0, \quad k_2^2 \rightarrow 0, \quad R \rightarrow 1, \quad T \rightarrow 0$$

$$\epsilon \rightarrow \infty \quad k_2^2 \rightarrow k_1^2 \Rightarrow R \rightarrow 0, \quad T \rightarrow 1$$

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Now consider the incident wave coming in from the right

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \psi_+ = C' e^{ik_2 x} + e^{-ik_2 x} \\ \psi_- = B' e^{-ik_1 x} \end{cases} \Rightarrow B = \frac{2k_2}{k_1 + k_2}, \quad C' = \frac{k_2 - k_1}{k_1 + k_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{4k_1 k_2}{(k_1 + k_2)^2}, \text{ same as before, and EM wave}$$

② $-U_0 < E < 0$

we write $k_2^2 = -E > 0$

vacuum | dielectric

$$x < 0, \quad \psi_-'' + k_1^2 \psi_- = 0$$

$$x > 0, \quad \psi_+'' - k_2^2 \psi_+ = 0$$

An incident wave $(e^{ik_1 x})$ from the left.

$$\psi_- = e^{ik_1 x} + B e^{-ik_1 x}, \quad \psi_+ = C e^{-k_2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = \frac{k_1 - ik_2}{k_1 + ik_2}, \quad C = \frac{2k_1}{k_1 + ik_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \psi_- = \frac{2k_1}{k_1 + ik_2} \cos k_1 x - \frac{2k_2}{k_1 + ik_2} \sin k_1 x \\ \psi_+ = \frac{2k_1}{k_1 + ik_2} e^{-k_2 x} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} &\text{standing wave in the classically allowed region} \\ &\Rightarrow \text{exponentially decaying profile in the classically forbidden region.} \end{aligned}$$

1-D rectangular Barrier

for I, II $u'' + k_1^2 u = 0 \quad k_1^2 = E > 0$

II $u'' - k_2^2 u = 0 \quad k_2^2 = U_0 - E > 0$

For a wave incident from the left.

I: $u = e^{ik_1 x} + B e^{-ik_1 x}$

II: $u = C e^{k_2 x} + D e^{-k_2 x}$

III: $u = S e^{ik_1 x}$

match at $x = \pm \frac{a}{2}$

$$S = \frac{4ik_1 k_2 e^{-ik_1 a}}{e^{-k_2 a} (k_2 + ik_1)^2 - e^{k_2 a} (k_2 - ik_1)^2}$$

$$a \rightarrow 0, \quad S \rightarrow 1$$

For $(k_2 a \gg 1)$, the transmission coefficient $T = |S|^2 \approx \frac{16k_1^2 k_2^2}{(k_1^2 + k_2^2)^2} e^{-2k_2 a}$

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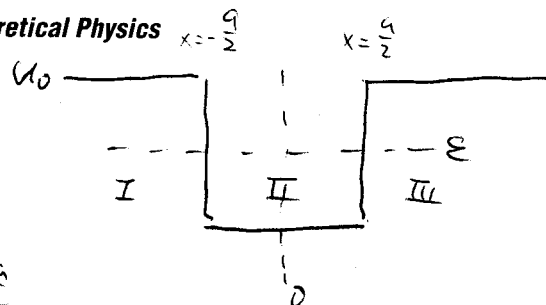
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★ 1-D rectangular well

Since the $V(x)$ is symmetric,
we only need to consider the solutions
in regions II, III and B.C at $x = \frac{a}{2}$.



II: $U'' + k_1^2 U = 0$

$k_1^2 = E$

III: $U'' - k_2^2 U = 0$

$k_2^2 = U_0 - E$

$U_{II, \text{even}} = A \cos k_1 x$, $U_{III, \text{odd}} = B \sin k_1 x$

when $U_0 \rightarrow \infty$, $U = 0$ for $|x| \geq \frac{a}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \cos \frac{k_1 a}{2} = 0, & E_{\text{even}} = \frac{\pi^2}{a^2}, \frac{9\pi^2}{a^2}, \frac{25\pi^2}{a^2} \dots \\ \sin \frac{k_1 a}{2} = 0, & E_{\text{odd}} = \frac{4\pi^2}{a^2}, \frac{16\pi^2}{a^2}, \frac{36\pi^2}{a^2} \dots \end{cases}$$

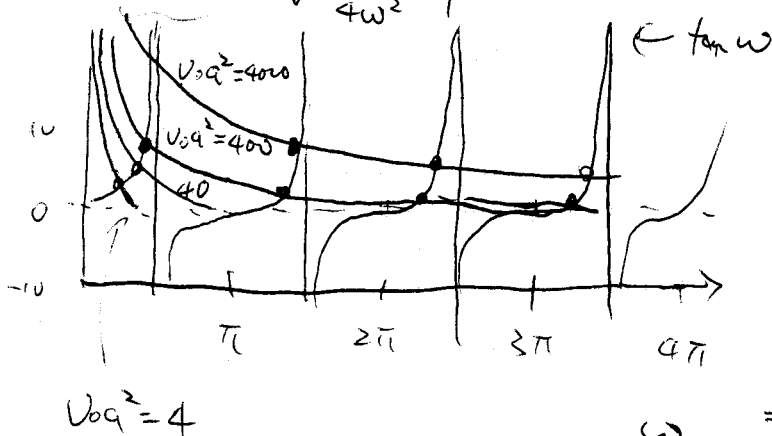
consider the Lowest energy solution for the finite well.

$\Rightarrow$ $|x| < \frac{a}{2}$, $U = A \cos k_1 x$
 $x > \frac{a}{2}$, $U = B \exp(-k_2 x)$

$\Rightarrow$ B.C $A \cos \frac{k_1 a}{2} = B \exp(-\frac{k_2 a}{2})$
 $-k_1 A \sin \frac{k_1 a}{2} = -k_2 B \exp(-\frac{k_2 a}{2})$

or $\tan \frac{k_1 a}{2} = \frac{k_2}{k_1}$, $\Rightarrow \tan \sqrt{\frac{E a^2}{U_0}} = \sqrt{\frac{U_0}{E}} - 1$, $\omega \equiv \frac{E a^2}{U_0}$

$\Rightarrow \tan \omega = \sqrt{\frac{U_0 a^2}{4\omega^2} - 1}$



$\Rightarrow$ There ~~are~~ always exist
a solution for any $U_0 a^2$

(not for 3-D!)
 $\Rightarrow$ No matter how shallow
the well there is always at
least one bound state (even)!!

$\Rightarrow$ However for odd ones

$-\cot \omega = \sqrt{\frac{U_0 a^2}{4\omega^2} - 1}$

unless $U_0 \geq \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2$, $\Rightarrow$ no solution!!

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Now, consider the cases of $E > 0$.

$$k_1^2 \equiv E > 0, \quad k_2^2 \equiv E + V_0 > 0$$

A wave e^{ikx} incident from the left.

$$\begin{cases} x < -\frac{a}{2} & u = e^{ik_1 x} + B e^{-ik_1 x} \\ |x| < \frac{a}{2} & u = C e^{ik_2 x} + D e^{-ik_2 x} \\ x > \frac{a}{2} & u = S e^{ik_1 x} \end{cases}$$

match the WFs at $x = \pm \frac{a}{2}$, $\Rightarrow S = \frac{2 e^{-ik_1 a}}{2 \cos k_2 a - \frac{i(k_1^2 + k_2^2)}{k_1 k_2} \sin k_2 a}$

and the transmission coefficient is:

$$T = |S|^2 = \frac{1}{\cos^2(k_2 a) + \frac{(k_1^2 + k_2^2)^2}{4 k_1^2 k_2^2} \sin^2(k_2 a)}$$

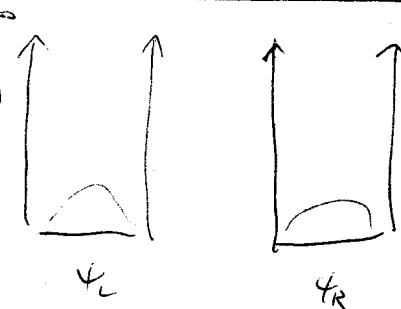
Note: $T=1$, when $k_2 a = n\pi$. this is the resonance scattering!

Double Wells.

(totally disconnected)

* Since the well is infinitely deep one can have 2-fold degeneracy.

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_+ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_L + \psi_R) \\ \psi_- &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_L - \psi_R) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{with} \\ \text{same eigenenergy} \end{array} \right\}$$



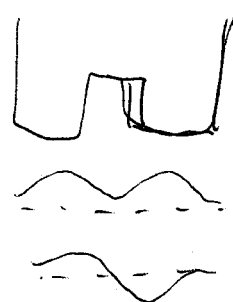
* Now let the central barrier finite

$$\Rightarrow E_- > E_+$$

still we can define

$$\psi'_R \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_+ - \psi_-)$$

$$\psi'_L \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_+ + \psi_-)$$



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Then

$$\psi'_{R/L}(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\psi_+(x) e^{\frac{-iEt}{\hbar}} \mp \psi_-(x) e^{\frac{-iEt}{\hbar}} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow$ Neither ψ'_R nor ψ'_L are stationary states.

If at $t=0$, we have

$$\psi'_R(x,0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_+(x) - \psi_-(x)]$$

a particle localized in the right well,

at later time t

$$\begin{aligned} \psi'_R(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\psi_+(x) e^{\frac{-iEt}{\hbar}} - \psi_-(x) e^{\frac{-iEt}{\hbar}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{\frac{-iEt}{\hbar}} \left[\psi_+(x) - \psi_-(x) e^{\frac{-i(E_+ - E_-)t}{\hbar}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

when $\frac{(E_+ - E_-)t}{\hbar} = \pi \rightarrow$ the particle tunnel over to the left well.

" $= 2\pi \rightarrow$ right

" $= 3\pi \rightarrow$ left

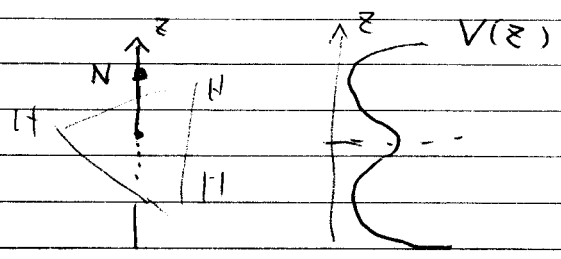
Oscillations in time,

$\Rightarrow$ Quantum beats,

occur when there is coherent superposition of more than one states with diff. energies.

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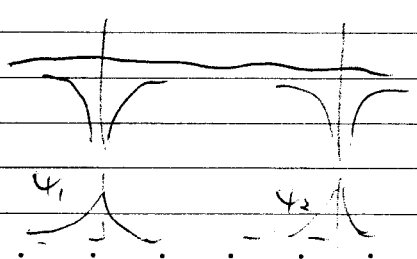
* Ammonia molecule



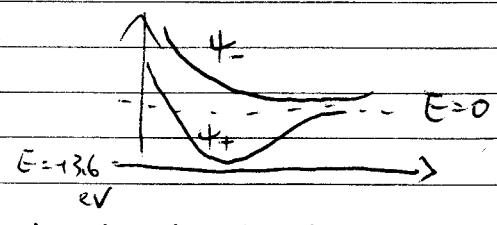
(Micro wave Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation)
1954, MASER

(Robert 1964) Townes & co-workers.
24 GHz

* H_2^+ molecule ($p+p+e^-$)



$$\psi_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_1 \pm \psi_2)$$



* neutrino oscillation

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$$| \nu_1 \rangle = \cos \theta | \nu_e \rangle + \sin \theta | \nu_\mu \rangle$$

$$| \nu_2 \rangle = -\sin \theta | \nu_e \rangle + \cos \theta | \nu_\mu \rangle$$

say at $t=0$, an electron ν was created

$$| \psi(0) \rangle = | \nu_e \rangle = \cos \theta | \nu_1 \rangle - \sin \theta | \nu_2 \rangle$$

$$E = \sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4}, \quad \text{in natural unit } \hbar = c = 1$$

$$E = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$$

$$E_1 \approx p + \frac{m_1^2}{2p}, \quad E_2 \approx p + \frac{m_2^2}{2p}$$

$$\Rightarrow | \psi(t) \rangle = \cos \theta | \nu_1 \rangle e^{-i E_1 t} - \sin \theta | \nu_2 \rangle e^{-i E_2 t}$$

$$= \cos \theta | \nu_1 \rangle e^{-i p t - i \frac{m_1^2}{2p} t} - \sin \theta | \nu_2 \rangle e^{-i p t - i \frac{m_2^2}{2p} t}$$

$$= e^{-i p t} e^{-i \frac{m_1^2}{2p} t} \left\{ \cos \theta | \nu_1 \rangle - \sin \theta | \nu_2 \rangle e^{-i \frac{(m_2^2 - m_1^2)}{2p} t} \right\}$$

$$= e^{-i p t} e^{-i \frac{m_1^2}{2p} t} \left(\cos^2 \theta | \nu_e \rangle + \sin^2 \theta | \nu_\mu \rangle + \sin^2 \theta | \nu_e \rangle e^{-i \frac{\Delta m^2}{2p} t} - \sin \theta \cos \theta | \nu_\mu \rangle e^{-i \frac{\Delta m^2}{2p} t} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu)(t) = | \langle \nu_\mu | \psi(t) \rangle |^2 = \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta \left| 1 - e^{-i \frac{\Delta m^2}{2p} t} \right|^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta \right) 4 \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m^2 t}{4p} = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m^2 t}{4p} \right)$$

$$ct = L$$

$$\boxed{P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} \right)}$$