

Complex Numbers

Definitions

$$\begin{aligned} z &= a + bi & z^* &= a - bi \\ z &= |z|e^{i\phi} & z^* &= |z|e^{-i\phi} \end{aligned}$$

Modulus squared

$$|z|^2 = z^*z = a^2 + b^2$$

Euler's Formula

$$e^{i\phi} = \cos \phi + i \sin \phi$$

Identities

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \phi &= \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\phi} + e^{-i\phi}) \\ \sin \phi &= \frac{1}{2i}(e^{i\phi} - e^{-i\phi}) \end{aligned}$$

Complex Traveling Wave

$$\Psi(x, t) = A e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

Complex Standing Wave

$$\Psi(x, t) = A \cos(kx) e^{-i\omega t}$$

de Broglie Waves

$$\begin{aligned} E &= hf & E &= \hbar\omega \\ p &= \frac{h}{\lambda} & E &= \hbar k \end{aligned}$$

1D Schrodinger Equation

Time-Dependent Schrodinger Equation

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

Time-Independent Schrodinger Equation

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x, t) &= \psi(x)e^{-i\omega t} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} [E - U(x)] \psi(x) \end{aligned}$$

Normalization Condition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\Psi(x)|^2 dx = 1$$

Probability on small interval Δx

$$P(x) = |\Psi(x)|^2 \Delta x$$

Probability on interval (a, b)

$$P(a, b) = \int_a^b |\Psi(x)|^2 dx$$

Constant Potential Solutions $U(x) = U_0$

$E > U_0$

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

or

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

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2m(E - U_0)}}{\hbar}$$

$E < U_0$

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

$$k' = \frac{\sqrt{2m(U_0 - E)}}{\hbar}$$

Infinite Potential Well (Particle in a Box)

$$U(x) = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{for } x \leq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } 0 < x < L \\ +\infty & \text{for } x \geq L \end{cases}$$

Standing Wave Solutions

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

Energy States

$$E_n = \frac{\hbar^2 n^2}{8mL^2} \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Step Potential ($E > U_0$)

$$U(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x \leq 0 \\ U_0 & \text{for } 0 < x < L \\ 0 & \text{for } x > L \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} (\text{Region I}) \\ (\text{Region II}) \end{array}$$

Reflection Probability

$$R = \frac{|B'|^2}{|A'|^2} = \left[\frac{1 - k_2/k_1}{1 + k_2/k_1} \right]^2$$

Transmission Probability

$$T = \frac{|C'|^2}{|A'|^2} = \frac{4k_2/k_1}{(1 + k_2/k_1)^2}.$$

Step Barrier ($E < U_0$)

$$U(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x \leq 0 \\ U_0 & \text{for } 0 < x \leq L \\ 0 & \text{for } x > L \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} (\text{Region I}) \\ (\text{Region II}) \\ (\text{Region III}) \end{array}$$

Tunneling Probability

$$T \approx \frac{16E(U_0 - E)}{U_0^2} e^{-2k'L}$$

2D Schrodinger Equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi(\vec{r}) + U(\vec{r})\psi(\vec{r}) = E\psi(\vec{r}),$$

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2}$$

Infinite Potential Well in 2D

$$U(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 < x < L; 0 < y < L \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Wave Functions

$$\psi(x, y) = \frac{2}{L} \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi y}{L}\right) \quad n_x, n_y = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Energy Levels

$$E_{n_x, n_y} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8mL^2} (n_x^2 + n_y^2) \quad n_x, n_y = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Masses and Constants

Quantity	MKS	Other		
c	2.9979×10^8 m/s			
e	1.602×10^{-19} C			
eV	1.602×10^{-19} J			
h	6.626×10^{-34} J s	4.136×10^{-15}	eV s	
\hbar	1.055×10^{-34} J s	6.582×10^{-16}	eV s	
hc	1.986×10^{-25} J m	1240	eV nm	1240 MeV fm
k	1.381×10^{-31} J/K	8.617×10^5	eV / K	
σ	5.670×10^{-8} W m $^{-2}$ K $^{-4}$			
e^-	9.11×10^{-31} kg	0.511	MeV/c 2	
p	1.673×10^{-27} kg	938.3	MeV/c 2	
n	1.675×10^{-27} kg	939.6	MeV/c 2	

$1 \mu\text{m}$	$= 10^{-6}$ m	1 keV	$= 10^3$ eV
1 nm	$= 10^{-9}$ m	1 MeV	$= 10^6$ eV
1 pm	$= 10^{-12}$ m	1 GeV	$= 10^9$ eV
1 fm	$= 10^{-15}$ m	1 TeV	$= 10^{12}$ eV