

A1] $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \rho/\epsilon_0$

a) $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \rho/\epsilon_0$] 3 points

$\vec{E} = a \vec{r} e^{-br}$ - purely radial.

$\therefore \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 a r e^{-br})$

$= \frac{1}{r^2} a \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^3 e^{-br}) = \frac{1}{r^2} a [e^{-br} 3r^2 + r^3 (-b) e^{-br}]$

$= 3a e^{-br} - ar b e^{-br} = \rho/\epsilon_0$] 3 points

$\therefore \rho = \epsilon_0 a e^{-br} [3 - br]$] 3 points.

b

2 At $r=0$ $\rho = 3a$

2 At $r = 3/b$, $\rho = 0$

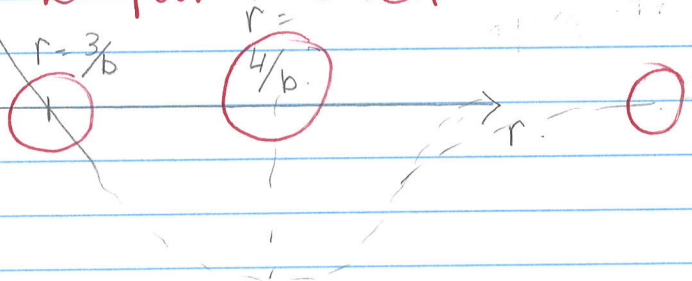
2 At $r > 3/b$ $\rho < 0$

2 At $r \rightarrow \infty$ $\rho \sim 0$

8/10 points

2 points each

Overall shape 2 points



$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial r} = \epsilon_0 a e^{-br} [-b] + \epsilon_0 a (-b) e^{-br} [3 - br] = 0$

$-\epsilon_0 a e^{-br} b - 3 \epsilon_0 a b e^{-br} + \epsilon_0 a b^2 r e^{-br} = 0$

$-1 - 3 + br = 0 \implies br = 4 \implies r = 4/b$

[AI] Continued.

c) What is the total charge of the system?

3pts [Answer without integrating ρ .

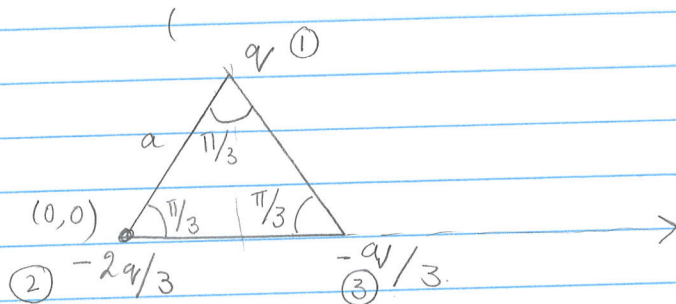
We know $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$.

[Let us integrate E over a sphere of radius r ,
 $r \rightarrow \infty$, $\forall E$ $r = \infty$, $E \rightarrow 0$ $\therefore q_{enc} = 0$]

2 points

[The graph shows regions of positive AND negative charge, which must cancel out.] 1 point.

A2]



[Dipole moment $\vec{p} = \sum q_i \vec{r}_i$] 2 points

$q_1 = (a/2, a \cos \pi/3)$ q_2 at $(0,0)$ q_3 at $(a,0)$ 6 points

$$P_x = q \frac{a}{2} - q \frac{a}{3} = q a \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right] = \frac{3-2}{6} q a = \frac{q a}{6}$$
 6 points

$$P_y = q \left[\frac{\sqrt{3} a}{2} \right]$$
 4 points

$$\vec{p} = q a \left(\frac{\hat{x}}{6} + \frac{\hat{y} \sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \quad \therefore |\vec{p}| = q a \left[\frac{1}{6^2} + \frac{3}{4} \right]^{1/2}$$
 4 points

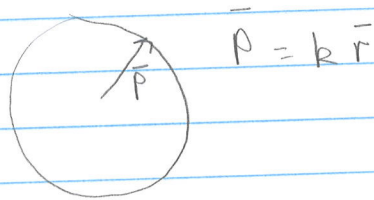
$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 6}{2} = 3\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \theta = q a \left[\frac{1+27}{36} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 1.38 \text{ rad}, = 79.1^\circ$$

3 points.

$$|\vec{p}| = \frac{2 q a \sqrt{7}}{4 \cdot 3}$$

A 3]



a) surface + volume bound charges.

Surface: $\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{r} = k R \cdot \hat{r} \cdot \hat{r} = k R$
 $|\sigma| = k R$] 5 points

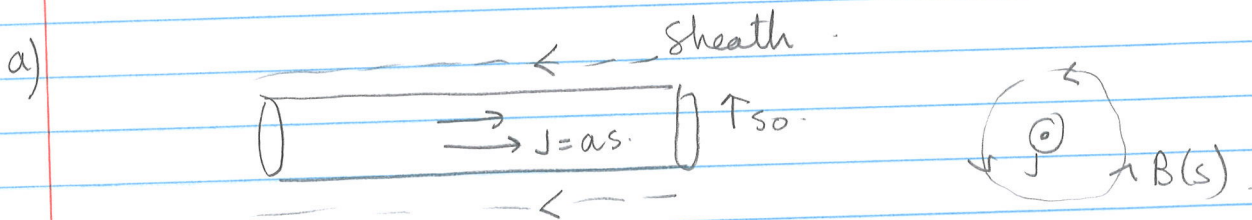
Volume: $\rho_b = -\nabla \cdot \vec{P}$ only radial dependence.
 $= -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 k r)$
 $= -\frac{1}{r^2} 3r^2 k$] 8 points. [$\rho_b = -3k$]

b) Field inside + outside the sphere.
ONLY bound charge (no free charge)

Inside at $r < R$
 $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} = \int -3k r^2 4\pi dr$] 6 points
 $\therefore E 4\pi r^2 = -\frac{4\pi}{\epsilon_0} \frac{3k r^3}{3}$ $E(r) = -\frac{k r}{\epsilon_0}$

Outside $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = -\frac{4\pi}{\epsilon_0} \frac{3k R^3}{3} + \frac{k R 4\pi R^2}{\epsilon_0}$
 7 points $\therefore E 4\pi R^2 = -\frac{4\pi k R^3}{\epsilon_0} + \frac{4\pi k R^3}{\epsilon_0} = 0$ As expected
 Total charge = 0.

A4]



Inside

Use an amperian loop of radius $s < s_0$.

8 points: $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_{\text{enclosed}} \rightarrow 2$

$B \cdot 2\pi s = \mu_0 \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} = \mu_0 a \int 2\pi s ds \rightarrow 2$

4 points: $2\pi s B = \mu_0 a 2\pi \frac{s^3}{3} \left[B = \frac{\mu_0 a s^2}{3} \hat{\phi} \right]$

2 points: B for $s > s_0 = 0$ (0 current)

b) Usually could use $LI = \Phi$ but finding the area L to B is complicated.

Use energy

U of a B field $= \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \int B^2 d\tau = \frac{1}{2} LI^2$ 6 points.

We use unit length.

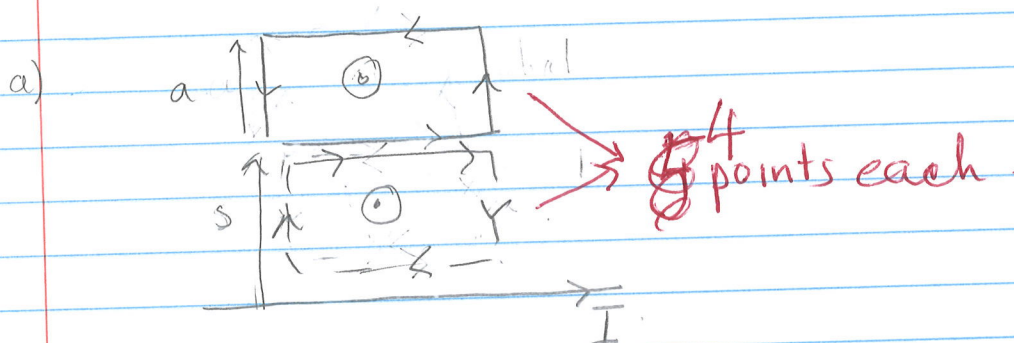
5 points

$\frac{1}{2\mu_0} \int_0^{s_0} \frac{\mu_0^2 a^2 s^4}{9} 2\pi s ds = \frac{1}{2} L I^2$ $I = \int_0^{s_0} J \cdot d\vec{a} = 2\pi a \frac{s_0^3}{3}$

$\frac{\mu_0 a^2 2\pi}{9} \frac{s_0^6}{6}$

$L = \frac{\mu_0 a^2 2\pi}{6 \cdot 4\pi^2 a^2} = \frac{\mu_0}{12\pi}$ per unit length 4 points.

B1]



The total flux = $\vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a}$

At 90° no flux going through \therefore decreases from initial position.

Current goes ccw to increase flux.

As it comes into final position, flux increases \therefore Current goes cw to decrease flux.

b) Total charge

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt} \quad \text{or} \quad \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \quad \text{4 points}$$

$$V dt = -d\Phi = -(\Phi_f - \Phi_i) = \Phi_i - \Phi_f$$

$$\Delta\Phi = -V \Delta t = -IR \Delta t = \frac{s_0 - Q R}{2\pi s}$$

$$-\Delta\Phi_{\text{tot}} = \int_{s_0}^{\Phi_i} \frac{\mu_0 I a}{2\pi s} ds - \int_{s_0-a}^{\Phi_f} \frac{\mu_0 I a}{2\pi s} ds$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I a}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{s_0 + a}{s_0}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I a}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{s_0}{s_0 - a}\right) \quad \text{7 points}$$

[B1] (Cont)

Since the charge flows in OPPOSITE directions for the 2 halves of the rotation

$$\Delta\phi = QR$$

$$Q = \frac{\Delta\phi}{R}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I L}{2\pi a R} \left[\ln\left(\frac{s_0+a}{s_0}\right) - \left(-\ln\left(\frac{s_0}{s_0-a}\right)\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I L}{2\pi a R} \left[\ln\left[\frac{s_0+a}{s_0} \cdot \frac{s_0}{s_0-a}\right] \right]$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I L}{2\pi a R} \ln\left[\frac{s_0+a}{s_0-a}\right]$$

6 points

B2]

a) 10 W/m^2 at a distance of $r = 1 \text{ m}$.

5 points

∴ [Over a sphere of $r = 1 \text{ m}$, the power is $4\pi r^2 \times 10 = 40\pi \text{ Watts} = 125.7 \text{ Watts}$]

b) The Poynting vector $\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})$ is the energy per unit time area.

At $r = 1 \text{ m}$, the energy/unit time/area = $10 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2}$.

4 points

$$10 = \frac{1}{\mu_0} E_0 \cos(kx - \omega t) B_0 \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

We know for an EM wave $B_0 = E_0/c$.

$$S = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \cdot \frac{E_0^2}{c} \cos^2(kx - \omega t)$$

The time averaging $\int_0^T \cos^2 \omega t dt = \frac{T}{2}$.

~~$$\therefore S = \frac{E_0^2}{2\mu_0 c} \Rightarrow E_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu_0 S c}{1}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 10 \times 3 \times 10^8}{1}} = 2.7 \times 10^5 \text{ V/m}$$~~

~~$$B_0 = \frac{E_0}{c} = \frac{2.7 \times 10^5}{3 \times 10^8} = 0.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ T}$$~~

[B2] Continued

$$\left[\text{Time averaging } \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \cos^2(kx - \omega t) dt = \frac{1}{2} \right] \quad 2 \text{ points}$$

$$\left[S = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 c E_0^2 \right] \quad 2 \text{ points}$$

$$\therefore E_0 = \left(\frac{2S}{\epsilon_0 c} \right)^{1/2}$$

For $r = 1 \text{ m}$ $S = 10 \text{ W/m}^2$

$$\therefore E_0 = \left[2 \times 1.257 \times 10^{-6} \times 3 \times 10^8 \times 10 \right]^{1/2} \quad 4 \text{ points}$$

$$E_0 = \left[75.42 \times 10^2 \right]^{1/2} = 8.68 \times 10 \text{ V/m}$$

$$B_0 = \frac{8.68 \times 10}{3 \times 10^8} = 2.89 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Tesla}$$

At $r = 3 \text{ m}$ Intensity drops by 3^2

$$\therefore S = \frac{10}{9} \text{ W/m}^2$$

$$\therefore E_0 = \left[2 \times 1.257 \times 10^{-6} \times 3 \times 10^8 \times \frac{10}{9} \right]^{1/2} \quad 4 \text{ points}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E(r=1)}{3} = 2.9 \text{ V/m}$$

$$B_0 = 0.96 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Tesla}$$

c] Average energy density at $r = 1$ & $r = 3 \text{ m}$

$$\text{Energy density} = \frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{Volume}} = \frac{\text{Power} \times \text{time}}{\text{Volume}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{Area} \times \text{distance/unit time}}$$

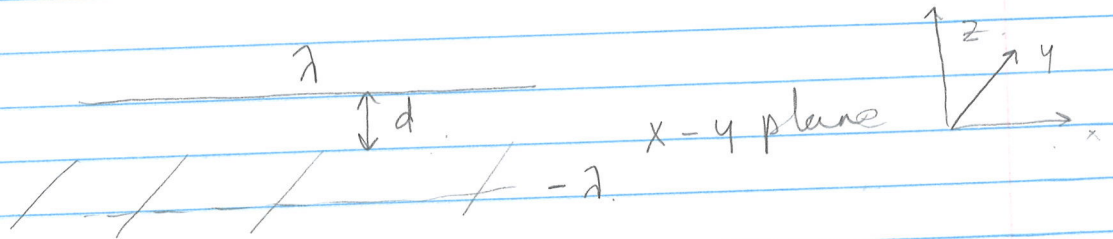
$$= \frac{I}{c}$$

2 pts

$$\begin{aligned} \text{At } 1 \text{ m energy density} &= 10/c = 0.33 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Joules/m}^3 \\ \text{At } 3 \text{ m} &= \frac{0.33 \times 10^{-7}}{9} = 0.035 \times 10^{-7} \\ &= 0.35 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{m}^3} \end{aligned}$$

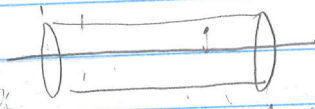
2 points

B3]



12 points a) Place an image charge corresponding to a line charge $-\lambda$ linear charge density at $z = -d$.
 easiest way to get potential is via V or E-field

3 points



E-field due to a line charge -

Gaussian surface is a cylinder. E-field is purely radial.

4 points

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = q_{enc} \Rightarrow E \cdot 2\pi s l = \lambda l \epsilon_0$$

$$E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi s \epsilon_0} \hat{s} \quad \text{where } s = (y^2 + (z-d)^2)^{1/2}$$

4 points

$$V(s) = - \int_{s_0}^s \frac{\lambda}{2\pi s' \epsilon_0} ds' = + \frac{\lambda}{2\pi \epsilon_0} \ln \left(\frac{s_0}{s} \right)$$

$$V_{\lambda + (-\lambda)} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi \epsilon_0} \left[\ln \left(\frac{s_0}{s} \right) - \ln \left(\frac{s_0}{s'} \right) \right] \quad s_0 = (y^2 + \dots)^{1/2}$$

$$V_{tot} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi \epsilon_0} \ln \left[\frac{[y^2 + (z-d)^2]^{1/2}}{[y^2 + (z+d)^2]^{1/2}} \right]$$

At $z > +d$

[B3] Continued

b) Surface charge density.

$$E_{1n} - E_{2n} = \frac{\sigma_f}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \Big|_{z>0} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \Big|_{z<0} &= \frac{\sigma_f}{\epsilon_0} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

3 points.

$$- \epsilon_0 \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \ln \left(\frac{(z-d)^2 + y^2}{(z+d)^2 + y^2} \right)$$

$$= - \epsilon_0 \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(z+d)^2 + y^2}{(z-d)^2 + y^2} \left[\frac{1}{(z+d)^2 + y^2} \cdot 2(z-d) - \frac{1}{((z+d)^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \cdot 2(z+d) \right] \Big|_{z=0}^{z=d}$$

$$= - \epsilon_0 \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{d^2 + y^2}{d^2 + y^2} \left[\frac{-2d}{d^2 + y^2} - \frac{2d(d^2 + y^2)}{(d^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \right] \right]$$

5 points

$$= \epsilon_0 \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{-4d}{d^2 + y^2} \right] = \frac{-d\lambda}{\pi(d^2 + y^2)}$$

2 points.

c) for a stripe of width l in x direction + ∞ extent in y direction.

$$Q = - \int_0^l dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \frac{d\lambda}{\pi(d^2 + y^2)}$$

2 points.

$$= -l \frac{d\lambda}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dy}{(d^2 + y^2)} = \frac{ld\lambda}{\pi} \frac{1}{d} \operatorname{Arctan} \left(\frac{y}{d} \right) \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{ld\lambda}{\pi} \left[\frac{\pi}{2} - \left(-\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\left[Q = -l\lambda \frac{\pi}{d} \right]$$

2 points

B4

a) 1 free electron/atom

64 gms
9 gms

6.022×10^{23} atoms
 $\frac{6.022 \times 10^{23}}{64} \times 9$ atoms

$n_e = 0.847 \times 10^{23}$ electrons/cc

8 points

b) a) $I = n_e e v a$ 3 points

$= 0.847 \times 10^{23} \times 10^6 \left(\frac{\text{electrons}}{\text{m}^3} \right) \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$

$\times (v) \times \pi (0.5 \times 10^{-3})^2$

$v_{el} = \frac{1 \text{ Amp}}{\pi (0.25) \times 10^{-6} \times 0.847 \times 10^{23} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}$

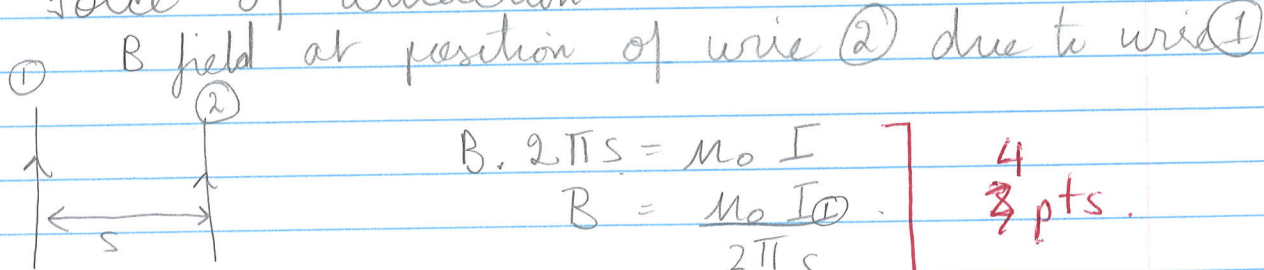
Check units $\frac{\text{Coul/s}}{\text{m}^2 \times \frac{\# \times \text{charge}}{\text{m}^3}} = \text{m/s}$

$v_{el} = 0.94 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m/s}$

3 points

8 points

b) Force of attraction:



$B \cdot 2\pi s = \mu_0 I$

$B = \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi s}$

4 pts

8 points

$\vec{F} = q(\vec{v} \times \vec{B})$ unit length $= \frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi s} \times I_2 = \frac{\mu_0 I^2}{2\pi l \text{ cm}}$

4 points

$= \frac{1.257 \times 10^{-6} \times 1^2}{2\pi \times 10^{-2}}$

$\vec{F} = 0.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N/meter}$

B4] (cont)

c) Force/unit length

$$\boxed{0 \quad \lambda \quad 0} \quad \vec{E} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 s} \hat{s} \quad \text{from Gauss Law}$$

where $\lambda = \text{charge/unit length}$.

If all the positive ions are removed, we know that the # of electrons/volume is

$$0.847 \times 10^{23} / \text{cc}$$

3pts: In a unit length we have

$$0.847 \times 10^{29} \frac{\text{electrons}}{\text{m}^3} \times \pi \left[\frac{0.5 \times 10^{-3}}{\text{cm area}} \right]^2 \times 1 \text{ m}$$

$$= 0.665 \times 10^{23} \text{ electrons/m}$$

$$\lambda = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 0.665 \times 10^{23} \text{ C/m}$$

$$= 1.064 \times 10^4 \text{ C/m}$$

3points: Force on 2nd wire = $E \times \lambda = \frac{\lambda^2}{2\pi\epsilon_0 s} \hat{s}$

$$\frac{(1.064)^2 \times 10^8}{2\pi (8.85 \times 10^{-12}) 10^{-2}} = 0.19 \times 10^{20+12+2}$$

$$= 1.9 \times 10^{20} \text{ N/m}$$

Magnetic force = $0.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N/m}$

$$\frac{F_e}{F_m} = \frac{1.9 \times 10^{20}}{2 \times 10^{-3}} \sim 10^{23} \text{ higher}$$

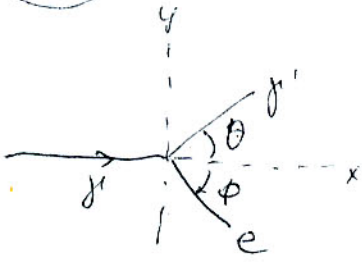
3points: Alternatively we can use algebra

$$\frac{F_e}{F_B} = \frac{\frac{\lambda^2}{2\pi\epsilon_0 s}}{\frac{\mu_0 I^2}{2\pi s} \epsilon_0 \mu_0 I^2} = \frac{\lambda^2}{\epsilon_0 \mu_0 I^2} = c^2 \left[\frac{\rho_e \times \rho_e \times \lambda \times \lambda}{\rho_e \times \rho_e \times \lambda \times \lambda} \right]^2$$

$$= \frac{c^2}{\sqrt{2}} = \left[\frac{3 \times 10^8}{0.94 \times 10^{-4}} \right]^2$$

$$1.9 \times 10^{24} \sim 10^{24}$$

(A1) SM



Compton formula

$$\lambda' - \lambda = \lambda_c (1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{E} = \frac{1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}}{10^6 \text{ eV}} = 1.24 \times 10^{-3} \text{ nm}$$

Since $\theta = \phi$ projection of the photon momentum

on y axis should be the same as projection of el. momentum (in absolute value)

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda'} = p_e$$

(6)

(1)

For projection on x axis $\frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{hc}{\lambda'} \cos \theta + p_e \cos \theta$ (2) (6)

From (1) and (2)

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{2hc}{\lambda'} \cos \theta \rightarrow \lambda' = 2\lambda \cos \theta$$

Substitute in Compton formula

$$2\lambda \cos \theta - \lambda = \lambda_c (1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\lambda_c + \lambda}{\lambda_c + 2\lambda} = \frac{2.43 + 1.24}{2.43 + 2.48} = 0.74745$$

$$\theta = 41.6^\circ$$

(7)

$$E' = \frac{hc}{\lambda'} = \frac{hc}{2\lambda \cos \theta} = \frac{E}{2 \cos \theta} = 0.669 \text{ MeV}$$

(6)

QM

SHORT PROBLEM 1

(A2)

We consider the operators $T_1 = e^A$ and $T_2 = e^{iA}$, where A is hermitian.

- a. Is T_1 hermitian?
- b. Is T_2 hermitian?

ANSWER

a. Yes, T_1 is hermitian:

$$T_1 = e^A = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} A^n = 1 + A + \frac{1}{2!} AA + \frac{1}{3!} AAA + \dots \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_1^\dagger &= (e^A)^\dagger = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} A^n \right)^\dagger = 1^\dagger + A^\dagger + \frac{1}{2!} (AA)^\dagger + \frac{1}{3!} (AAA)^\dagger + \dots \\ &= 1 + A + \frac{1}{2!} AA + \frac{1}{3!} AAA + \dots = e^A = T_1 \end{aligned}$$

b. No, T_2 is not hermitian:

$$T_2 = e^{iA} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} i^n A^n = 1 + iA + \frac{1}{2!} i^2 AA + \frac{1}{3!} i^3 AAA + \dots \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_2^\dagger &= (e^{iA})^\dagger = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} i^n A^n \right)^\dagger = 1^\dagger + (iA)^\dagger + \left(\frac{1}{2!} i^2 AA \right)^\dagger + \left(\frac{1}{3!} i^3 AAA \right)^\dagger + \dots = \\ &= 1 + (-i)A + \frac{1}{2!} (-i)^2 AA + \frac{1}{3!} (-i)^3 AAA + \dots = e^{-iA} \neq T_2 \end{aligned}$$

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A3

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \varphi(t) | L | \varphi(t) \rangle = \left\langle \frac{d\varphi}{dt} | L | \varphi(t) \right\rangle + \langle \varphi | L | \frac{d\varphi}{dt} \rangle$$

use now Schr. eq.

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$$i\hbar \left| \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right\rangle = H | \varphi \rangle \quad -i\hbar \left\langle \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right| = \langle \varphi | H^\dagger$$

$H^\dagger = H$ (H is hermitic)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \varphi | L | \varphi \rangle = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \varphi | H | L | \varphi \rangle + \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \varphi | L | H | \varphi \rangle = \textcircled{5}$$

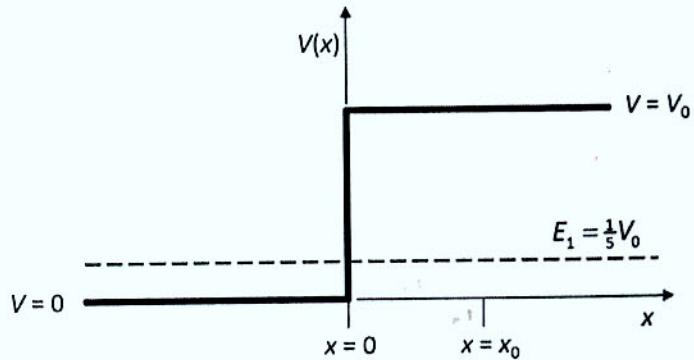
$$= \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \varphi | H L - L H | \varphi \rangle$$

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A4

SHORT PROBLEM 2

A particle moves in the potential $V(x)$ shown in the figure. For $x < 0$, the potential is 0. For $x > 0$, it is V_0 . The total energy of the particle is $E_1 = \frac{1}{5}V_0$ (dashed line in the figure). Coming from the left, the particle's wavefunction at some position $x = x_0$ (see figure) is $\psi(x = x_0) = \frac{1}{10}\psi(0)$. The total energy is now increased to the value E_2 such that $\psi(x = x_0) = \frac{1}{5}\psi(0)$. Calculate E_2 / V_0 .



ANSWER

For total energy $E = E_1$, the evanescent wave is $\psi_1(x_0) = \psi_1(0)e^{-\kappa_1 x_0}$, where $\kappa_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E_1)}}{\hbar}$, and we have $e^{-\kappa_1 x_0} = 0.1 \Rightarrow \kappa_1 = \ln(10) / x_0$.

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For total energy $E = E_2$, the evanescent wave is $\psi_2(x_0) = \psi_2(0)e^{-\kappa_2 x_0}$, where $\kappa_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E_2)}}{\hbar}$, and we have $e^{-\kappa_2 x_0} = 0.2 \Rightarrow \kappa_2 = \ln(5) / x_0$.

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Hence,

$$\frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_1} = \frac{\ln(5)}{\ln(10)} = \frac{\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E_2)} / \hbar}{\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E_1)} / \hbar} = \sqrt{\frac{V_0 - E_2}{V_0 - E_1}} = \sqrt{\frac{V_0 - E_2}{\frac{4}{5}V_0}} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - E_2/V_0}{\frac{4}{5}}} \Rightarrow$$

$$E_2 / V_0 = 1 - \frac{4}{5} \left(\frac{\ln(5)}{\ln(10)} \right)^2 = 0.609 \Rightarrow E_2 = 0.609V_0$$

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SHORT PROBLEM 3

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The Hamiltonian operator for a two-state system is given by

$$H = a(|1\rangle\langle 1| - |2\rangle\langle 2| + |1\rangle\langle 2| + |2\rangle\langle 1|)$$

where a is a number with the dimension of energy. Find the energy eigenvalues and the corresponding (unnormalized) energy eigenkets (as linear combinations of $|1\rangle$ and $|2\rangle$).

ANSWER

We write the general ket $|\psi\rangle = c_1|1\rangle + c_2|2\rangle$ as a column vector: $|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

The Hamiltonian is then found from

$$H \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } H \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ giving } H = a \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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To find the eigenvalues:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow -(1-\lambda^2) - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

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so the eigenenergies are $E_{1,2} = \pm\sqrt{2}a$

For $\lambda = +\sqrt{2}$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-\sqrt{2} & 1 \\ 1 & -1-\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow -(1-\sqrt{2})c_1 = c_2 \Rightarrow |\varphi_1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2}-1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (unnormalized)}$$

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For $\lambda = -\sqrt{2}$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1+\sqrt{2} & 1 \\ 1 & -1+\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow -(1+\sqrt{2})c_1 = c_2 \Rightarrow |\varphi_2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2}-1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (unnormalized)}$$

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Check using Mathematica:

`Eigensystem[{{a, a}, {a, -a}}]`

`{{{-\sqrt{2} a, \sqrt{2} a}, {{1 - \sqrt{2}, 1}, {1 + \sqrt{2}, 1}}}}`

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A particle with mass m moves in a delta-function potential

$$V(x) = -V_0 a \delta(x)$$

and has total energy $-E < 0$. Find the particle's stationary wavefunction and the energy E .

ANSWER

Everywhere but at the origin, the time-independent Schrödinger equation reads

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \psi'' = (-E) \psi \Rightarrow \psi'' = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi = \kappa^2 \psi \Rightarrow \psi(x) = Ae^{\kappa x} + Be^{-\kappa x} \text{ with } \kappa = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$

We want the wavefunction to be continuous and square-integrable, so we choose

$$\psi(x) = Be^{\kappa x} \quad \text{for } x < 0$$

$$\psi(x) = Be^{-\kappa x} \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

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There is obviously a kink in the wavefunction at $x = 0$. To find this kink, we integrate the TISE one time, from $-\varepsilon$ to $+\varepsilon$ (a small interval that include the origin), finding

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \int_{-\varepsilon}^{\varepsilon} \psi'' - V_0 a \int_{-\varepsilon}^{\varepsilon} \delta(x) \psi = -E \int_{-\varepsilon}^{\varepsilon} \psi \Rightarrow$$
$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [\psi'(\varepsilon) - \psi'(-\varepsilon)] - V_0 a \psi(0) = -2\varepsilon E \psi(0)$$

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If we take the limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, this becomes

$$\psi'(+0) - \psi'(-0) = -\frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2} a \psi(0) \text{ or } -2B\kappa = -\frac{2mV_0}{\hbar^2} a B \Rightarrow \kappa = \frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2} a$$

Normalization gives

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 \psi^2 + \int_0^{\infty} \psi^2 = 2 \int_0^{\infty} \psi^2 = 2B^2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2\kappa x} dx = 2B^2 \left[\frac{1}{-2\kappa} e^{-2\kappa x} \right]_0^{\infty} = 2B^2 \left[\frac{1}{2\kappa} e^{-2\kappa x} \right]_{\infty}^0 = \frac{B^2}{\kappa} = 1, \text{ so } B = \sqrt{\kappa}$$

The wave function is thus

$$\psi(x > 0) = \sqrt{\kappa} e^{-\kappa x}$$

$$\psi(x < 0) = \sqrt{\kappa} e^{+\kappa x}$$

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$$\text{The energy follows from } \kappa = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}} = \frac{mV_0}{\hbar^2} a \Rightarrow \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} = \frac{m^2 V_0^2}{\hbar^4} a^2 \Rightarrow E = \frac{mV_0^2}{2\hbar^2} a^2$$

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(30 points) 5. A system consists of two linearly independent states $|1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $|2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

The Hamiltonian has the form $H = \begin{pmatrix} h & k \\ k & h \end{pmatrix}$ where h and k are real constants. If the system is initially prepared in state $|2\rangle$ at time $t=0$, what is its state at a later time t ?

Find Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues so that we can write $|2\rangle$ as a linear combination of eigenstates (stationary states) and use the eigenvalues (energy) to add the time dependence.

Eigenvalues: $H|\psi\rangle = E|\psi\rangle \Rightarrow (H - IE)|\psi\rangle = 0$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} h-E & k \\ k & h-E \end{pmatrix} = 0 = (h-E)^2 - k^2 \quad I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$h-E = k \Rightarrow E_1 = k+h$$

$$h-E = -k \Rightarrow E_2 = h-k$$

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Eigenvectors

$$H|\psi_i\rangle = E_i|\psi_i\rangle$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} h & k \\ k & h \end{pmatrix} (c_1|1\rangle + c_2|2\rangle) = \begin{pmatrix} h & k \\ k & h \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = (h+k) \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_1 h + c_2 k = c_1 h + c_1 k$$

$$c_2 = c_1$$

$$c_1 k + c_2 h = c_2 h + c_2 k$$

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$$H|\Psi_2\rangle = E_2\Psi$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} h & k \\ k & h \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = (h-k) \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} c_1 h + c_2 k &= c_1 h - c_1 k \\ c_1 k + c_2 h &= c_2 h - c_2 k \end{aligned} \right\} c_2 = -c_1$$

$$|\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1\rangle + |2\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{normalized})$$

$$|\Psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1\rangle - |2\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Initial state at $t=0$ $\Psi_0 = |2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Psi_0 = (|\Psi_1\rangle - |\Psi_2\rangle) \cdot 1/\sqrt{2}$$

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = (|\Psi_1\rangle e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} - |\Psi_2\rangle e^{-iE_2 t/\hbar}) 1/\sqrt{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i(h+k)t/\hbar} & -e^{-i(h-k)t/\hbar} \\ e^{-i(h+k)t/\hbar} & +e^{-i(h-k)t/\hbar} \end{pmatrix}$$

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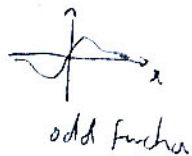
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2. Consider a particle in a state given by the wavefunction $\Psi(x, t) = Ae^{-x^2/a^2} e^{-iEt/\hbar}$, where A is a real number.

(16 points) a) Find $\langle x \rangle$ and $\langle x^2 \rangle$.

(9 points) b) Assuming this is a state of minimum uncertainty, find the standard deviation of the momentum distribution σ_p .

$$a) \langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* x \Psi dx = |A|^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-2x^2/a^2} dx = 0$$

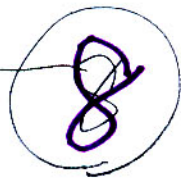


$$\langle x^2 \rangle = |A|^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-2x^2/a^2} dx$$

$$\text{use } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-bx^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2b^{3/2}}$$

$$= |A|^2 \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2 \left(\frac{2}{a^2}\right)^{3/2}} = \frac{|A|^2 \sqrt{\pi} a^3}{2 \cdot \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{a^3}} = \frac{|A|^2 \sqrt{\pi} a^3}{2 \cdot \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{a^3}}$$

$$b = \frac{2}{a^2}$$



Find A from normalization:

$$\int |\Psi|^2 dx = 1 = |A|^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2x^2/a^2} dx$$

$$\text{use } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-bx^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{b}}$$

$$b = 2/a^2$$

$$1 = |A|^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2/a^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} a \Rightarrow |A|^2 = \frac{1}{a} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{a} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\sqrt{\pi} a^3}{2^{3/2}} = \boxed{\frac{a^2}{4}}$$



$$b) \sigma_x \sigma_p = \hbar/2$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2} = a/2$$

$$\sigma_p = \frac{\hbar}{2\sigma_x} = \frac{\hbar}{2 \cdot a/2} = \boxed{\frac{\hbar}{a}}$$

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