

In[1]:= ClearAll["Global`*"];

Test 2 Solution

Problem 1

The differential cross section obtained with the Born approximation is in general given by

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\theta} = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^2 |\tilde{V}(q)|^2 \quad (1)$$

where $q = |\vec{k} - \vec{k}'| = 2k \sin\theta$ and $\tilde{V}(q)$ is the Fourier transform of the scattering potential:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{V}(q) &= \iiint V(r) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} r^2 \sin\theta \, dr \, d\theta \, d\phi \\ &= 2\pi \left(\frac{\hbar\lambda}{2m} \right) \int_0^\infty dr \delta(r-R) r^2 \int_0^\pi \sin\theta e^{iqr \cos\theta} d\theta \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Integration over θ

In[2]:= J1 = Assuming[r > 0 && q > 0, Integrate[Sin[θ] Exp[I q r Cos[θ]], {θ, 0, π}]]

Out[2]= $\frac{2 \operatorname{Sin}[q r]}{q r}$

Integration over r

In[3]:= J2 = Assuming[q > 0 && R > 0, Integrate[DiracDelta[r - R] r^2 J1, {r, 0, Infinity}]]

Out[3]= $\frac{2 R \operatorname{Sin}[q R]}{q}$

The scattering potential in Fourier space

In[4]:= Vq = 2 π ($\frac{\hbar\lambda}{2m}$) J2 // Simplify

Out[4]= $\frac{2 \pi R \lambda \hbar \operatorname{Sin}[q R]}{m q}$

In[5]:= dσ = ($\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2}$)² Vq² /. q → 2 k Sin[θ/2]

Out[5]= $\frac{R^2 \lambda^2 \operatorname{Csc}\left[\frac{\theta}{2}\right]^2 \operatorname{Sin}\left[2 k R \operatorname{Sin}\left[\frac{\theta}{2}\right]\right]^2}{4 k^2 \hbar^2}$

The differential cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\theta} = \left(\frac{R \lambda}{2 k \hbar} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\operatorname{Sin}\left[2 k R \operatorname{Sin}\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right]}{\operatorname{Sin}\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \right)^2 \quad (3)$$

Low energy limit

In[6]:= Series[dσ, {R, 0, 6}]

Out[6]= $\frac{\lambda^2 R^4}{\hbar^2} - \frac{4 \left(k^2 \lambda^2 \operatorname{Sin}\left[\frac{\theta}{2}\right]^2\right) R^6}{3 \hbar^2} + O[R]^7$

Hence, s-wave scattering cross section is

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\theta} \approx \frac{\lambda^2 R^4}{\hbar^2} \quad (4)$$

Integrating over θ , we find the total cross section

In[7]:= `2 π * Assuming[R > 0 && k > 0, Integrate[dσ Sin[θ], {θ, 0, π}]`

$$\text{Out[7]} = \frac{\pi R^2 \lambda^2 (\text{EulerGamma} - \text{CosIntegral}[4 k R] + \text{Log}[4 k R])}{k^2 \hbar^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \left(\frac{R \lambda}{k \hbar} \right)^2 \pi [\gamma - \text{Ci}(4 k R) + \ln(4 k R)] \\ &= \left(\frac{R \lambda}{k \hbar} \right)^2 \pi \text{Cin}(4 k R) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where $\text{Cin}(x)$ is a cosine integral function defined by

$$\text{Cin}(x) = \int_0^x \frac{\cos(t)}{t} dt \quad (6)$$

In[8]:= `Assuming[x > 0, Series[Integrate[Cos[t]/t, {t, x, Infinity}], {x, 0, 3}]`

$$\text{Out[8]} = (-\text{EulerGamma} - \text{Log}[x]) + \frac{x^2}{4} + O[x]^4$$

Hence,

$$\sigma = \left(\frac{R \lambda}{k \hbar} \right)^2 \pi \frac{(4 k R)^2}{4} = \frac{4 \pi \lambda^2 R^4}{\hbar^2} \quad (7)$$

which is consistent with Eq. (4).

Problem 2

$$\text{In[9]} = \psi_R[x_-] = \frac{1}{(\sigma^2 \pi)^{1/4}} \text{Exp}[-(x - a)^2 / (2 \sigma^2)];$$

$$\text{In[10]} = \psi_L[x_-] = \frac{1}{(\sigma^2 \pi)^{1/4}} \text{Exp}[-(x + a)^2 / (2 \sigma^2)];$$

(a)

Unnormalized symmetric state is

$$\text{In[11]} = \psi_B[x, y] = \psi_L[x] \psi_R[y] + \psi_L[y] \psi_R[x];$$

where x and y are the position of 1st and 2nd particle. The norm of the state is

$$\text{In[12]} = Z_B = \text{Sqrt}[\text{Assuming}[\sigma > 0 \&\& a > 0, \text{Integrate}[\text{Integrate}[\psi_B[x, y]^2, \{y, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}], \{x, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}]]]$$

$$\text{Out[12]} = \sqrt{2} \sqrt{1 + e^{-2a^2/\sigma^2}}$$

Hence, the normalized symmetric wavefunction is

$$\psi_B(x, y) = [\psi_L(x) \psi_R(y) + \psi_R(y) \psi_L(x)] / \sqrt{2 (1 + e^{-2a^2/\sigma^2})} \quad (8)$$

$$\text{In[13]} = \psi_B[x, y] = (\psi_L[x] \psi_R[y] + \psi_L[y] \psi_R[x]) / Z_B;$$

(b) Similarly the antisymmetric state is

In[14]:= $\psi_F[x, y] = \psi_L[x] \psi_R[y] - \psi_L[y] \psi_R[x];$

and its norm is

In[15]:= $Z_F = \text{Sqrt}[\text{Assuming}[\sigma > 0 \&\& a > 0,$
 $\text{Integrate}[\text{Integrate}[\psi_F[x, y]^2, \{y, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}], \{x, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}]]]$

Out[15]= $\sqrt{2 - 2 e^{-\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}}}$

The normalized antisymmetric wavefunction is

$$\psi_F(x, y) = [\psi_L(x) \psi_R(y) - \psi_R(y) \psi_L(x)] / \sqrt{2(1 - e^{-2a^2/\sigma^2})} \quad (9)$$

In[16]:= $\psi_F[x, y] = (\psi_L[x] \psi_R[y] - \psi_L[y] \psi_R[x]) / Z_F;$

(c)

For boson,

In[17]:= $E_B = -\left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\right) \text{Assuming}[\sigma > 0 \&\& a > 0,$
 $\text{Integrate}[\text{Integrate}[\psi_B[x, y] (D[\psi_B[x, y], x, x] + D[\psi_B[x, y], y, y]),$
 $\{y, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}], \{x, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}] // \text{FullSimplify}$

Out[17]= $\frac{\hbar^2 (-a^2 + \sigma^2 + a^2 \text{Tanh}[\frac{a^2}{\sigma^2}])}{2m\sigma^4}$

In[18]:= $\text{TrigToExp}[E_B] // \text{Simplify}$

Out[18]= $\frac{(-2a^2 + (1 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}})\sigma^2)\hbar^2}{2(1 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}})m\sigma^4}$

Simplifying it, we obtain

$$E_B = \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m\sigma^2}\right) \frac{(-2r^2 + 1 + e^{2r^2})}{1 + e^{2r^2}} \quad (10)$$

where $r = a/\sigma$.

For fermion,

In[19]:= $E_F = -\left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\right) \text{Assuming}[\sigma > 0 \&\& a > 0,$
 $\text{Integrate}[\text{Integrate}[\psi_F[x, y] (D[\psi_F[x, y], x, x] + D[\psi_F[x, y], y, y]),$
 $\{y, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}], \{x, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}] // \text{FullSimplify}$

Out[19]= $\frac{\hbar^2 (-a^2 + \sigma^2 + a^2 \text{Coth}[\frac{a^2}{\sigma^2}])}{2m\sigma^4}$

In[20]:= $\text{TrigToExp}[E_F] // \text{Simplify}$

Out[20]= $\frac{(2a^2 + (-1 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}})\sigma^2)\hbar^2}{2(-1 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}})m\sigma^4}$

$$E_F = \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m\sigma^2} \right) \frac{(2r^2 - 1 + e^{2r^2})}{-1 + e^{2r^2}} \quad (11)$$

(d)

For boson,

In[21]:= $F_B = -D[E_B, a]$ // FullSimplify

$$\text{Out[21]} = -\frac{a \hbar^2 \left(a^2 \operatorname{Sech} \left[\frac{a^2}{\sigma^2} \right]^2 + \sigma^2 \left(-1 + \operatorname{Tanh} \left[\frac{a^2}{\sigma^2} \right] \right) \right)}{m \sigma^6}$$

In[22]:= TrigToExp[F_B] // FullSimplify

$$\text{Out[22]} = \frac{2a \left(\sigma^2 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}} (-2a^2 + \sigma^2) \right) \hbar^2}{\left(1 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}} \right)^2 m \sigma^6}$$

$$F_B = \frac{2}{\sigma} \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{m\sigma^2} \right) \frac{r \left(1 - e^{2r^2} (2r^2 - 1) \right)}{\left(1 + e^{2r^2} \right)^2} \quad (12)$$

For fermion,

In[23]:= $F_F = -D[E_F, a]$ // FullSimplify

$$\text{Out[23]} = \frac{a \hbar^2 \left(\sigma^2 - \sigma^2 \operatorname{Coth} \left[\frac{a^2}{\sigma^2} \right] + a^2 \operatorname{Csch} \left[\frac{a^2}{\sigma^2} \right]^2 \right)}{m \sigma^6}$$

In[24]:= TrigToExp[F_F] // FullSimplify

$$\text{Out[24]} = \frac{2a \left(\sigma^2 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}} (2a^2 - \sigma^2) \right) \hbar^2}{\left(-1 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}} \right)^2 m \sigma^6}$$

$$F_F = \frac{2}{\sigma} \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{m\sigma^2} \right) \frac{r \left(1 + e^{2r^2} (2r^2 - 1) \right)}{\left(1 - e^{2r^2} \right)^2} \quad (13)$$

(e)

$$\sigma^2 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}} (2a^2 - \sigma^2) > \sigma^2 + (2a^2 - \sigma^2) = 2a^2 > 0 \quad (14)$$

Hence, $F_F > 0$.

(f)

When $a \gg \sigma$,

$$\sigma^2 + e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}} (-2a^2 + \sigma^2) \rightarrow e^{\frac{2a^2}{\sigma^2}} (-2a^2) < 0 \quad (15)$$

Hence, $F_B < 0$ for $a \gg \sigma$.