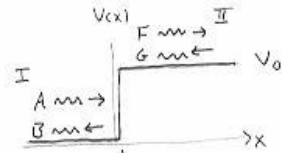


Express your answer in terms of  $E, V_0$

# HW Quiz 4

A one-dimensional potential is given by:

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ V_0 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$



$$\frac{d^2 \psi^I}{dx^2} = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi^I \Rightarrow \psi^I = A e^{ik_I x} + B e^{-ik_I x}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi^{II}}{dx^2} = -\frac{2m(E-V_0)}{\hbar^2} \psi^{II} \Rightarrow \psi^{II} = F e^{ik_{II} x} + G e^{-ik_{II} x}$$

For scattering from right  
set  $A=0$ .

Continuity @  $x=0$ :  $B = F + G$   
 Smoothness @  $x=0$ :  $-k_I B = k_{II} F - k_{II} G$

Work one of the following problems:

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1. Calculate the reflection coefficient for a particle coming in from the right with  $E > V_0$ .

$$R = \frac{|F|^2}{|G|^2} = ? = \frac{k_{II}^2 + k_I^2 - 2k_{II}k_I}{k_{II}^2 + k_I^2 + 2k_{II}k_I} = \frac{E^2 + (E-V_0)^2 - 2\sqrt{E(E-V_0)}}{E^2 + (E-V_0)^2 + 2\sqrt{E(E-V_0)}}$$

$-k_I(F+G) = k_{II}F - k_{II}G \Rightarrow F(k_{II} + k_I) = (k_{II} - k_I)G \Rightarrow R = \left(\frac{k_{II} - k_I}{k_{II} + k_I}\right)^2$

Papers graded according to correct solution!

hard

2. Calculate the transmission coefficient for a particle coming in from the right with  $E > V_0$ .

$$T = \frac{|B|^2 v_I}{|G|^2 v_{II}} = ? = \frac{4k_{II}^2}{(k_{II} + k_I)^2} \sqrt{\frac{E}{E-V_0}} = \frac{4(E-V_0)}{E^2 + (E-V_0)^2 + 2\sqrt{E(E-V_0)}} \sqrt{\frac{E}{E-V_0}}$$

$-k_I B = k_{II}(B-G) - k_{II}G \Rightarrow B(k_{II} + k_I) = G(2k_{II}) \Rightarrow \frac{|B|^2}{|G|^2} = \frac{4k_{II}^2}{(k_{II} + k_I)^2}$

$v_I = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}(E-V_0)} \quad v_{II} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}E}$