

## Scattering Theory Summary

We have discussed 3 approaches

$$\psi(r, \theta) = A \left[ e^{ikz} + f(\theta) \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \right]$$



$$(1) \quad k \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} i^{l+1} (2l+1) a_l h_l^{(1)}(kr) P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$f(\theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) a_l P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$\sigma = 4\pi \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) |a_l|^2$$

∴ goal is  
computation  
of  $a_l$

Our example was hard sphere scattering where

$a_l$  determined by requiring  $\psi(r=a, \theta) = 0$

$$(2) \quad \psi(r, \theta) = A \sum_l \frac{2l+1}{2ikr} \left[ e^{ikr + 2i\delta_l} - (-1)^l e^{-ikr} \right] P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{k} \sum (2l+1) e^{i\delta_l} \sin\delta_l P_l(\cos\theta)$$

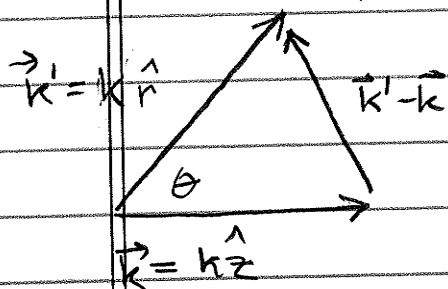
$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum (2l+1) \sin^2 \delta_l$$

low E: focus on  $\delta_0 \leftarrow$  PS-4A

Our example here was  $V(r) = A/r^2 \leftarrow$  PS-5

③ Born approximation

$$f(\theta) = \frac{-m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int e^{i(\vec{k}' - \vec{k}) \cdot \vec{r}'} V(\vec{r}') d^3r'$$



$$q = |\vec{k}' - \vec{k}| = 2k \sin \theta/2$$

Elastic  $|\vec{k}| = |\vec{k}'|$

An imp't special case is

$$\text{low } E = \hbar^2 k^2 / 2m$$

$$k \text{ small } e^{i(\vec{k}' - \vec{k}) \cdot \vec{r}} \rightarrow 1$$

$$f(\theta) = \frac{-m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int V(r') d^3r'$$

Spherically symmetric potential:  $V(\vec{r}') = V(r')$

↳ just  $r'$

Choose  $z'$  axis along  $\vec{k}$  to do integral

$$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}' = kr' \cos \theta'$$

$$f(\theta) = \frac{-m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int e^{ikr' \cos \theta'} V(r') r'^2 \sin \theta' dr' d\theta' d\phi'$$

$$= \frac{-m}{\hbar^2} \int V(r') r'^2 dr' \int_0^\pi e^{ikr' \cos \theta'} \sin \theta' d\theta'$$

$$= e^{ikr' \cos \theta'} / ikr' \Big|_0^\pi$$

$$= 2 \frac{\sin kr'}{kr'}$$

$$f(\theta) = \frac{-2m}{\hbar^2 k} \int_0^\infty r' V(r') \sin kr' dr'$$

$$q = 2k \sin \theta/2$$

## Some Examples of Born approximation

① Low Energy soft sphere scattering

$$V(r) = \begin{cases} V_0 & r \leq a \\ 0 & r > a \end{cases}$$

$$f(\theta) = -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int V(r') d^3r'$$

$$= -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \frac{4}{3}\pi a^3 V_0 \quad \leftarrow \text{indep of } \theta$$

Q: reasonable?

$$\sigma = \int d\Omega |f|^2$$

if particle comes in very fast expect

$$= 4\pi \left( \frac{2mV_0 a^3}{3\hbar^2} \right)^2$$

f(θ) peak at θ=0

② Yukawa potential

$$V(r) = \beta \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{r}$$

$$f(\theta) = \frac{-2m\beta}{\hbar^2 k} \int_0^\infty e^{-\mu r'} \sin kr' dr'$$

$$= \frac{-2m\beta}{\hbar^2 k} \frac{1}{2i} \int_0^\infty \left[ e^{(-\mu+ik)r'} - e^{(-\mu-ik)r'} \right] dr'$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{e^{(-\mu+ik)r'}}{-\mu+ik} - \frac{e^{(-\mu-ik)r'}}{-\mu-ik} \right]_0^\infty$$

$$- \left[ \frac{-\mu-ik + \mu+ik}{\mu^2+k^2} \right]$$

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$$f(\theta) = \frac{-m\beta}{\hbar^2 k} \frac{1}{i} \frac{2ik}{\mu^2 + k^2} = \frac{-2m\beta}{\hbar^2(\mu^2 + k^2)}$$

Recall  $k = 2k \sin \theta/2$

$$f(\theta) = -\frac{2m\beta}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{\mu^2 + 4k^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

forward scattering  $\theta = 0$   $f(0) = -\frac{2m\beta}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{\mu^2}$

back scattering  $\theta = \pi$   $f(\pi) = -\frac{2m\beta}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{\mu^2 + 4k^2}$

$$f(\pi) \ll f(0) \text{ if } k \gg \mu \text{ (high energy)}$$

$$f(\pi) \sim f(0) \text{ if } k \ll \mu \text{ (low energy)}$$

Some Born problems you could try:

$$V(r) = V_0 e^{-\mu^2 r^2}$$

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$$V(r) = B \delta(r)$$

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Total cross section for Yukawa

$$\sigma = \int |f|^2 d\Omega$$

$$= \left( \frac{2m\beta}{\hbar^2} \right)^2 \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^{\pi} \sin\theta d\theta \left( \mu^2 + 4k^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\uparrow$$

$$2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\text{let } x = \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} d\theta$$

$\theta$	$x$
0	0
$\pi$	1

$$\int 2x \cdot 2dx \left( \mu^2 + 4k^2 x^2 \right)^{-2}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{-2}{4k^2} \left( \mu^2 + 4k^2 x^2 \right)^{-1} \Big|_0^1$$

$$\rightarrow -\frac{1}{2k^2} \left( \mu^2 + 4k^2 \right)^{-1} + \frac{1}{2k^2} \frac{1}{\mu^2}$$

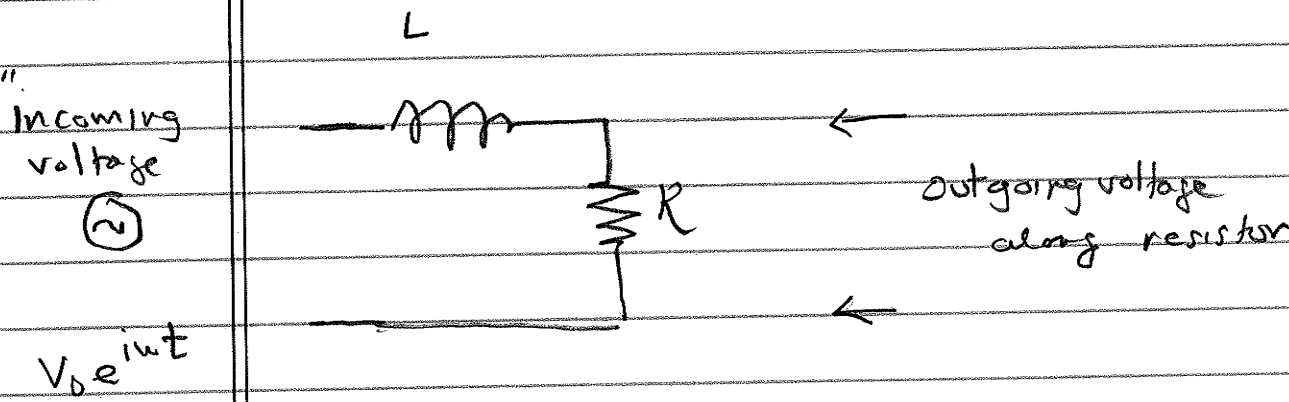
$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2k^2} \left( \frac{1}{\mu^2} - \frac{1}{\mu^2 + 4k^2} \right) = \frac{1}{2k^2} \frac{1}{\mu^2 (\mu^2 + 4k^2)} \left[ \frac{\mu^2 + 4k^2}{\mu^2} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{2}{\mu^2 (\mu^2 + k^2)}$$

$$\sigma = \left( \frac{2m\beta}{\hbar^2} \right)^2 2\pi \frac{2}{\mu^2 (\mu^2 + k^2)}$$

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# "Scattering and Phase Shifts in Circuits"

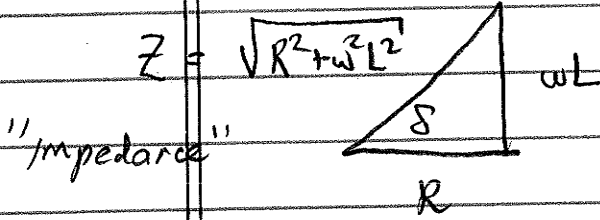


$$V_0 e^{i\omega t} - L \frac{dI}{dt} - IR = 0$$

$$I = I_0 e^{i\omega t}$$

$$V_0 - L i\omega I_0 - I_0 R = 0$$

$$I_0 = \frac{V_0}{(R_0 + i\omega L)} = \frac{V_0}{Z} e^{-i\delta}$$



Inductor  $L$  produces phase shift

$$\tan \delta = \omega L / R$$

"outgoing"  
"scattered"  
voltage

$$I \cdot R = \frac{V_0}{Z} e^{-i\delta} e^{i\omega t} R$$

$$e^{i(\omega t - \delta)}$$