

Solution to HW Set I (Jan 16, 2017)

1)  $\psi_{\text{TOT}} = h^{(2)}(kr) + c h^{(1)}(kr)$  (up to a normalization factor)

Taking into account  $h^{(2)} = h^{(1)*}$  and

$$h^{(1)*} \nabla h^{(2)} = (h^{(2)*} \nabla h^{(1)})^*$$

$$\vec{j}_{\text{TOT}} = \frac{1}{2i} \underbrace{(h^{(2)*} \nabla h^{(2)} - h^{(2)} \nabla h^{(2)*})}_{j_1} + \frac{c}{2i} \underbrace{(h^{(1)*} \nabla h^{(1)} - h^{(1)} \nabla h^{(1)*})}_{j_2}$$

Using the asymptotic property of  $h^{(1)}$ ,  $h^{(2)}$ , we find that

$$j_r = \vec{j}_{\text{TOT}} \cdot \hat{e}_r = \frac{k}{r^2} (|c|^2 - 1)$$

Since the divergence of the current is

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{j} \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} 4\pi k (|c|^2 - 1) \delta(\vec{r})$$

Gauss' Law

$|c|^2 = 1$  so that  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = 0$  and probability current is conserved.

2) Following the S-wave equation, one finds

$$\tan(kR_0 + \delta_0(k)) = \frac{k}{\hat{k}} \tan(\hat{k}R_0)$$

$$k = \sqrt{2E}, \quad \hat{k} = \sqrt{k^2 + k_0^2}, \quad k_0 = \sqrt{2V_0}, \quad V_0 - \text{depth.}$$

$$\text{or } \delta_0(k) = \arctan\left(\frac{k}{\hat{k}} \tan(\hat{k}R_0) - kR_0\right)$$

$$3) B = (k_0 R_0)^2 \ll 1, \quad k R_0 \ll 1$$

$$\delta_0(k) = \frac{1}{6} k R_0 (k_0 R_0)^2 + O(k^3 R_0^3)$$

$$\stackrel{k \rightarrow 0}{=} -k a_s \quad a_s = -\frac{1}{6} R_0 (k_0 R_0)^2$$

Scattering length

Or  $\frac{a_s}{R_0} = -\frac{1}{6} B$ ,  $B$  - Bohm parameter.

Generally,  $a_s = -\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan \delta(k)}{k}$

Characterizing the linear  $k$  dependence of  $\delta(k)$  near  $k=0$ .

4) Taking the definition of  $a_s$ ,  $\tan \delta(k) = -k a_s$  as  $k \rightarrow 0$ .

$$\sin \delta(k) = \frac{-k a_s}{\sqrt{1 + (k a_s)^2}}$$

$$\sigma(k \rightarrow 0) \xrightarrow{\text{S-wave only}} = 4\pi \frac{\sin^2 \delta(k)}{k^2} = 4\pi \frac{a_s^2}{1 + k^2 a_s^2} \rightarrow 4\pi a_s^2$$

$\sigma \rightarrow \infty$  when  $a_s \rightarrow \infty$ .

For square well prob,  $a_s = -\left(\frac{\tan(\tilde{k} R_0)}{\tilde{k}} - R_0\right)$

$a_s \rightarrow \infty$  Requires  $\tan(\tilde{k} R_0) = \infty$  when  $\tilde{k} \rightarrow k_0$ .

$$\tilde{k} R_0 = k_0 R_0 = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi$$

Resonance

$$k_0 = \frac{\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi}{R_0}$$

5) phase shifts are determined by

$$\tilde{k} \left. \frac{j_0'(\tilde{p})}{j_0(\tilde{p})} \right|_{\tilde{p}=\tilde{p}_0} = k \left. \frac{j_0''(\rho) \cos \delta_0 - n_0'(\rho) \sin \delta_0}{j_0(\rho) \cos \delta_0 - n_0(\rho) \sin \delta_0} \right|_{\rho \approx \rho_0}$$

$$\tilde{p}_0 = \tilde{k} R_0, \quad \rho_0 = k R_0$$

or

$$\frac{\tilde{k}}{\tan \tilde{k} R_0} = \frac{k}{\tan(k R_0 + \delta)} \quad \text{Eq. 1}$$

bound state can be formulated in a similar way.

For S-wave,

$$\psi_B \sim e^{-\sqrt{a_B}/r}$$

$$\frac{\tilde{k}_B}{\tan \tilde{k}_B R_0} = -\frac{1}{a_B} \quad \text{Eq. 2}$$

Notice that  $\tilde{k} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow 0} k_0$ ,  $\tilde{k}_B = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{a_B}\right)^2 + k_0^2} \xrightarrow{a_B \rightarrow \infty} k_0$

(Eq. 1) LHS at  $k \rightarrow 0$  = (Eq. 2) LHS at  $a_B \rightarrow \infty$

or

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan(k R_0 + \delta)}{k} = \lim_{a_B \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_B}$$

$$\rightarrow = \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan \delta(k)}{k} = -\frac{1}{a_S} \quad \leftarrow \text{definition}$$

Therefore  $\frac{1}{a_S} = \frac{1}{a_B}$  or  $a_S = a_B$  near Reso.  
(in limit of  $a_B \gg R_0$ )

Resonance takes place every time when a bound state approaches  $E_B = -\frac{1}{2a_B^2} \rightarrow 0$ . \*\*

6)  $a_0 \gg r_0$ ,  $kr_0 \ll 1$ , one can express

$$\tan \delta(k) = -ka_s = -ka_B$$

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi a_B^2}{1 + k^2 a_B^2} \quad \text{for low energy scattering near Resonance}$$

7)  $l$ th partial wave phase shifts  $\delta_l(k)$  given by

$$\left. \frac{j_l(\tilde{p})}{j_l(\tilde{p}_0)} \right|_{\tilde{p}=\tilde{p}_0} = k \frac{j_l(p) \cos \delta_l(k) - n_l(p) \sin \delta_l(k)}{j_l(p) \cos \delta_l(k) - n_l(p) \sin \delta_l(k)} \Big|_{p=p_0}$$

Note  $p_0 \ll 1$  but  $\tilde{p}_0$  can be large.

$$j_l(p) \stackrel{p \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \frac{p^l}{(2l-1)!!}, \quad n_l(p) \stackrel{p \rightarrow 0}{\sim} -\frac{(2l-1)!!}{p^{l+1}}$$

$$\tan \delta_l(k) = \frac{p_0^{(2l+1)}}{(2l-1)!!(2l+1)!!} \frac{l}{l+1} \left[ \frac{1 - \frac{1}{l(2l-1)!!} \frac{\tilde{p}_0 j_l'(\tilde{p}_0)}{j_l(\tilde{p}_0)}}{1 + \frac{1}{(l+1)(2l-1)!!} \frac{\tilde{p}_0 j_l'(\tilde{p}_0)}{j_l(\tilde{p}_0)}} \right]$$

$\tilde{p}_0 \approx k r_0$  if  $k r_0 \ll 1$   
Near Resonance  $\tilde{p}_0 \sim O(1)$ .

$l$ th Order Resonance Condition:

$$1 + \frac{1}{(l+1)(2l-1)!!} \frac{\tilde{\rho}_0 j_l'(\tilde{\rho}_0)}{j_l(\tilde{\rho}_0)} \Big|_{k \rightarrow 0} = 0$$

For  $l=0$ , this corresponding to  $\tilde{\rho}_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots$

Generically, if the resonance conditions are not satisfied,

$$\delta_l(k) \sim \frac{\rho_0^{2l+1}}{(2l-1)!!(2l+1)!!} F_l(\tilde{\rho}_0), \quad F_l(\tilde{\rho}_0) = \left[ \dots \right]$$

$l$ th partial wave is suppressed by  $\rho_0^{2l+1} = (kR_0)^{2l+1}$  as  $k \rightarrow 0$ .

8)  $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}, \quad \lambda \sim 400 \text{ nm}$

$R_0 \sim 0.5 \text{ nm}, \quad kR_0 \sim 10^{-2}$

$$\delta_{l=1} / \delta_{l=0} \sim \rho_0^{2l} = (kR_0)^2 \sim 10^{-4}$$

For ultra cold gases, S-waves are dominating unless (if near  $l=1$  Resonance.)