



a) If we take the Schrödinger equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi(x)}{dx^2} + V(x)\psi(x) = E\psi(x)$$

and integrate it from $-\epsilon$ to ϵ
(where ϵ is an infinitely small parameter)

we get :

$$\underbrace{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} dx}_{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (\psi'(\epsilon) - \psi'(-\epsilon))} + \underbrace{2 \int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} \delta(x) \psi(x) dx}_{2\psi(0)} = \underbrace{E \int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} \psi(x) dx}_{0}$$

or

$$\psi'(\epsilon) - \psi'(-\epsilon) = \frac{2m\hbar}{\hbar^2} \psi(0)$$

b) In region I ($x < 0$) the Schrödinger equation is

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = E\psi \quad \text{or} \quad \psi'' + k^2\psi = 0 \quad \text{where } k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

and the general solution of this differential equation is

$$\psi_I = Ae^{ikx} + Be^{-ikx}$$

Similarly, in region II we have

$$\psi_{II} = Ce^{iux} + De^{-iux}$$

If we are to compute the transmission probability we must assume $D=0$ since there is no incoming wave (e^{iux}) from the right. Then

$$\psi = \begin{cases} Ae^{iux} + Be^{-iux}, & x < 0 \\ Ce^{iux}, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\psi' = \begin{cases} iu(Ae^{iux} - Be^{-iux}), & x < 0 \\ iuc e^{iux}, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

The continuity of the wave function at $x=0$ gives

$$A + B = C \quad (*)$$

while for the derivative of ψ we have, according to part a)

$$ikC - ik(A-B) = \frac{2im\alpha}{\hbar^2} C \quad (**)$$

The transmission probability is given by the ratio

$$T = \frac{|C|^2}{|A|^2}$$

Solving equation (*) for B and substituting it into equation (**) yields

$$B = C - A \quad C - A + C - A = - \frac{2im\alpha}{\hbar^2 k} C$$

$$A = C \left(1 + \frac{im\alpha}{\hbar^2 k} \right)$$

$$T = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{m^2\alpha^2}{\hbar^4 k^2}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{m\alpha^2}{2\hbar^2 E}}$$