

Solutions to Problem Set 1

Problems from Levine :

1.1 a. $\lambda = 1064 \text{ nm}$; $n = 1$;

$$E = nh\nu = nh \frac{c}{\lambda} = 1 * 6.626 * 10^{-34} * \frac{3 * 10^8}{1064 * 10^{-9}}$$
$$= \mathbf{1.87 * 10^{-19} \text{ J} = 1.17 \text{ eV}}$$

b. Ave. Power = $5 * 10^6 \text{ W}$; $\tau = 2 * 10^{-8} \text{ s}$; $\lambda = 1064 \text{ nm}$;

$$\text{Ave. Power} = \text{Energy per Pulse}$$
$$\Rightarrow E = \text{Ave. Power} * \tau$$
$$= 5 * 10^6 * 2 * 10^{-8} = 0.1 \text{ J}$$

$$\text{No. of Photons } n = \frac{E\lambda}{hc} = \frac{0.1 * 1064 * 10^{-9}}{6.626 * 10^{-34} * 3 * 10^8}$$
$$= \mathbf{5.35 * 10^{17}}$$

1.4. a. $w = 0.1 \text{ cm}$; $V = 1000 \text{ V}$;

$$\text{KE} = eV = \frac{p^2}{2m}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \sqrt{2meV} = \sqrt{2 * 9.1 * 10^{-31} * 1.6 * 10^{-19} * 1000} = 1.71 * 10^{-23}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{6.626 * 10^{-34}}{1.71 * 10^{-23}} = 3.88 * 10^{-11} \text{ m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \alpha = \frac{\lambda}{w} \Rightarrow \alpha = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\lambda}{w} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{6.626 * 10^{-34}}{0.1 * 10^{-2}} \right)$$

Therefore,

$$\alpha = \mathbf{2.23 * 10^{-6} \text{ degrees}}$$

b. $\alpha = 1$;

$$w = \frac{\lambda}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{3.88 * 10^{-11}}{\sin 1}$$

Slit width $w = 2.22 \text{ nm}$

1.10. $t = 0$; $c = 2 \text{ A}^0$;

$$\text{Probability} = \int_2^{2.001} \frac{32}{\pi c^6}^{1/4} x e^{-\frac{x^2}{c^2}} \bullet \frac{32}{\pi c^6}^{1/4} x e^{-\frac{x^2}{c^2}} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_2^{2.001} x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[\int_0^{2.001} x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx - \int_0^2 x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \right]$$

$$\text{Let } u^2 = \frac{x^2}{2} \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{2}u$$

$$dx = \sqrt{2}du$$

$$\therefore \int x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = 2\sqrt{2} \int u^2 e^{-u^2} du = \sqrt{2} \int u \cdot d(-e^{-u^2})$$

$$= -\sqrt{2}u e^{-u^2} + \sqrt{2} \int e^{-u^2} du$$

$$= -\sqrt{2}u e^{-u^2} + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \text{erf}(u) = -x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \text{erf}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

Probability =

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[\int_0^{2.001} x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx - \int_0^2 x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[\left(-x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \Big|_0^{2.001} + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \text{erf}\left(\frac{2.001}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right) - \left(-x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \Big|_0^2 + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \text{erf}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[-2.001 * e^{-\frac{2.001^2}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} * \text{erf}\left(\frac{2.001}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 2 * e^{-\frac{2^2}{2}} - \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \text{erf}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} [-0.2702647 + 1.19642 + 0.2706705 - 1.19629]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} * 5.358 * 10^{-4}$$

Probability = $2.14 * 10^{-4}$

Dr. Gordon's Problems :

1. a. $E = 10^6 \text{ V/cm}$;

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Intensity} &= \epsilon_0 c E^2 (J^{-1}C^2m^{-1}) (ms^{-1}) (V^2m^{-2}) \\ &= 8.854 * 10^{-12} * 3 * 10^8 * (10^8)^2 \\ &= 2.66 * 10^{13} \text{ Js}^{-1}m^{-2} \\ &= \mathbf{2.66 * 10^9 \text{ W/cm}^2}\end{aligned}$$

b. Electric field felt by 1s electron = $q/4\pi\epsilon_0 a_0^2$

$$= \frac{1.6 * 10^{-19}}{4\pi * 8.854 * 10^{-12} * (0.53 * 10^{-10})^2} = 5.12 * 10^{11} \text{ V/m}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Intensity} &= \epsilon_0 c E^2 \\ &= 8.854 * 10^{-12} * 3 * 10^8 * (5.12 * 10^{11})^2 \\ &= 6.96 * 10^{20} \text{ W/m}^2 \\ &= \mathbf{6.96 * 10^{16} \text{ W/cm}^2}\end{aligned}$$

2. a. $3 + 2i$:

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 33.69^\circ$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{3 + 2i = \sqrt{13} e^{i(33.69)}}$$

b. $1 + i/2 - i$:

$$\frac{1+i}{2-i} * \frac{2+i}{2+i} = \frac{1+3i}{5} = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{5}i$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{10}{25}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3/5}{1/5}\right) = 71.57^\circ$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{1 + i/2 - i = \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} e^{i(71.57)}}$$

$$3. f(v) = Cv^2 \exp(-v^2/\alpha^2)$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} Cv^2 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} dv = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow C \cdot \frac{1}{2^2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{\alpha^2}}} \sqrt{\pi \alpha^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3}$$

$$a. \langle v \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} v \cdot f(v) dv = \int_0^{\infty} v \cdot \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} v^2 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} dv = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} \int_0^{\infty} v^3 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} dv = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} \frac{1}{2 \left(\frac{1}{\alpha^2}\right)^2}$$

i.e.

$$\langle v \rangle = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \alpha = \mathbf{1.13 \alpha}$$

b. v_{mp} :

$$\frac{d}{dv}(f(v)) = 0 \text{ at } v = v_{mp}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} \frac{d}{dv} \left(v^2 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} \right) = 0$$

$$= \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} \left(2ve^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} + v^2 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} \cdot -\frac{2v}{\alpha^2} \right) = 0$$

$$= \frac{8}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} ve^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{\alpha^2} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{v^2}{\alpha^2} = 0 \Rightarrow v = \alpha$$

$$\mathbf{v_{mp} = \alpha}$$

c. v_{med} :

$$\int_0^{v_{med}} \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} v^2 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} dv = 0.5$$

$$\left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} x e^{-x^2} \Big|_0^{\frac{v_{med}}{\alpha}} + erf\left(\frac{v_{med}}{\alpha}\right) \right) = 0.5$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{v_{med}}{\alpha} e^{-\frac{v_{med}^2}{\alpha^2}} + erf\left(\frac{v_{med}}{\alpha}\right) = 0.5$$

Using trial & error, we find that $v_{med} = 1.09 \alpha$ to make the above integral equal to 0.5. Therefore,

$$v_{med} = 1.09 \alpha$$

d. $\sigma^2 = \langle v^2 \rangle - \langle v \rangle^2$

$$\langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} \int_0^{\infty} v^4 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} dv = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2^3 \left(\frac{1}{\alpha^2}\right)^2} \sqrt{\pi} \alpha^2 = \frac{3}{2} \alpha^2$$

Therefore,

$$\sigma^2 = \langle v^2 \rangle - \langle v \rangle^2 = 1.5 \alpha^2 - (1.13 \alpha)^2$$

$$\sigma = 0.47 \alpha$$

4. a. $P(v > v_{mean})$:

$$\int_{v_{mean}}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} v^2 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} dv = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} v^2 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} dv - \int_0^{v_{mean}} \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi} \alpha^3} v^2 e^{-\frac{v^2}{\alpha^2}} dv$$

$$= 1 - \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} x e^{-x^2} \Big|_0^{\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}} + erf\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right) \right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{4}{\pi} e^{-\frac{4}{\pi}} - erf(1.13)$$

$$= 1 + 0.3564 - 0.88997 = 0.4664$$

$$P(v > v_{mean} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \alpha) = 0.4664$$

b. $P(v > v_{mp})$:

$$\text{Probability} = 1 - \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} x e^{-x^2} \Big|_0^1 + erf(1) \right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-1} - erf(1)$$

$$= 1 + 0.4151 - 0.84270$$

$$= 0.5724$$

$$\mathbf{P(v > v_{mp} = \alpha) = 0.5724}$$

c. $P(v > v_{med}) :$

$$\text{Probability} = 1 - \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} x e^{-x^2} \Big|_0^{1.09} + \text{erf}(1.09) \right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} * 1.09 * e^{-1.19} - \text{erf}(1.09)$$

$$= 1 + 0.3749 - 0.87680$$

$$= 0.4981$$

$$\mathbf{P(v > v_{med} = 1.09 \alpha) = 0.4981}$$

d. $P(v > v_{mean} + \sigma) :$

$$v_{mean} + \sigma = 1.13 \alpha + 0.47 \alpha = 1.6 \alpha$$

$$\text{Probability} = 1 - \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} x e^{-x^2} \Big|_0^{1.6} + \text{erf}(1.6) \right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} * 1.6 * e^{-2.56} - \text{erf}(1.6)$$

$$= 1 + 0.1396 - 0.97635$$

$$= 0.1632$$

$$\mathbf{P(v > v_{mean} + \sigma = 1.6 \alpha) = 0.1632}$$

e. $P(v > v_{mean} - \sigma) :$

$$v_{mean} - \sigma = 1.13 \alpha - 0.47 \alpha = 0.66 \alpha$$

$$\text{Probability} = 1 - \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} x e^{-x^2} \Big|_0^{0.66} + \text{erf}(0.66) \right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} * 0.66 * e^{-0.44} - \text{erf}(0.66)$$

$$= 1 + 0.4818 - 0.64938 = 0.8324$$

$$\mathbf{P(v > v_{mean} - \sigma = 0.66 \alpha) = 0.8324}$$