

5-3 Partial Wave Expansion

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Partial wave : angular momentum
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- Identity equation :

$$e^{ikr \cos \theta} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} i^l (2l+1) \hat{j}_l(kr) P_l(\cos \theta)$$



This l - wave \rightarrow
partial wave!!

- Lippmann - Schwinger equation

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{l,k}(r) &= e^{ik \cdot r} - \frac{e^{ikt}}{r} \frac{m}{2\pi} \int e^{-ik' \cdot r'} V(r') \psi_{l,k}(r') d^3r' \\ &= e^{ik \cdot r} + f(\theta) \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \quad (r \rightarrow \infty) \end{aligned}$$

$$f(\theta) = -\frac{m}{2\pi} \int e^{-ik' \cdot r'} V(r') \psi_{l,k}(r') d^3r'$$

$$\boxed{\psi(r) \rightarrow e^{ikz} + f(\theta) \frac{e^{ikr}}{r}} \\ (r \rightarrow \infty)$$

At the large distance

$$e^{ikz} \xrightarrow{(r \rightarrow \infty)} \frac{1}{2ikr} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) \left\{ e^{ikr} - (-)^l e^{-ikr} \right\} P_l(\cos\theta)$$

Therefore, the scattering wave can be written as

$$\psi(r) \xrightarrow{(r \rightarrow \infty)} \frac{1}{2ikr} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) \left\{ (1 + 2ikA_l) e^{ikr} - (-)^l e^{-ikr} \right\} \times P_l(\cos\theta)$$

where we assume

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

A_l : some constant

[Requirement]

- The scattering amplitude must have the same magnitude as the initial one except its phase



$$1 + 2ikA_e = e^{2i\delta_e}$$

δ_e : phase shift

$$\therefore A_e = \frac{1}{2ik} (e^{2i\delta_e} - 1)$$



$$f(\theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) \frac{1}{2ik} (e^{2i\delta_l} - 1) P_l(\cos\theta)$$

The scattering amplitude is now described in terms of the phase shift

δ_l

[Cross section]

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$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f(\theta)|^2$$

$$\text{with } f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2ik} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) (e^{2i\delta_l} - 1) P_l(\cos\theta)$$

- total cross section :

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \int |f(\theta)|^2 d\Omega \\ &= \frac{1}{4k^2} \sum_{l, l'} (2l+1) (2l'+1) (e^{2i\delta_l} - 1) (e^{2i\delta_{l'}} - 1) \\ &\quad \times \int P_l(\cos\theta) P_{l'}(\cos\theta) d\Omega \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Identity : } \int P_l(\cos\theta) P_{l'}(\cos\theta) d\Omega = \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} \delta_{ll'}$$

$$\therefore \sigma = \frac{1}{4k^2} \sum_l 16\pi (2l+1) \sin^2 \delta_l$$

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[Optical Theorem]

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Total cross section:

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) \sin^2 \delta_l$$

On the other hand, the amplitude $f(\theta)$ can be written as

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2ik} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) (e^{2i\delta_l} - 1) P_l(\cos\theta)$$

Here, we can easily check

$$\begin{aligned} e^{2i\delta_l} - 1 &= 2ie^{i\delta_l} \frac{(e^{i\delta_l} - e^{-i\delta_l})}{2i} \\ &= 2ie^{i\delta_l} \sin \delta_l \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2ik} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) \cdot 2ie^{i\delta_l} \sin \delta_l \cdot P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$\therefore f(\theta) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) e^{i\delta_l} \sin \delta_l P_l(\cos\theta)$$

Here, we take $\theta = 0$.

$$f(0) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) e^{i\delta_l} \sin \delta_l$$

since $P_l(1) = 1$.

Thus, we find

$$\text{Im } f(0) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) \sin^2 \delta_l$$

Since the total cross section is

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) \sin^2 \delta_l$$

↓ Therefore, we obtain

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{k} \text{Im } f(0)$$

[Optical theorem]