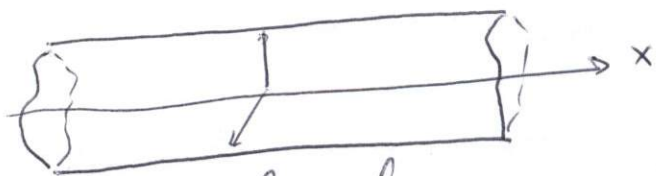


# Multi-channel

"Waveguide"  
or lead.



Schrödinger  $\psi$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta \psi = \epsilon \psi$$

Eigenstate  $\psi_\epsilon(\vec{r})$

The variables can be separated

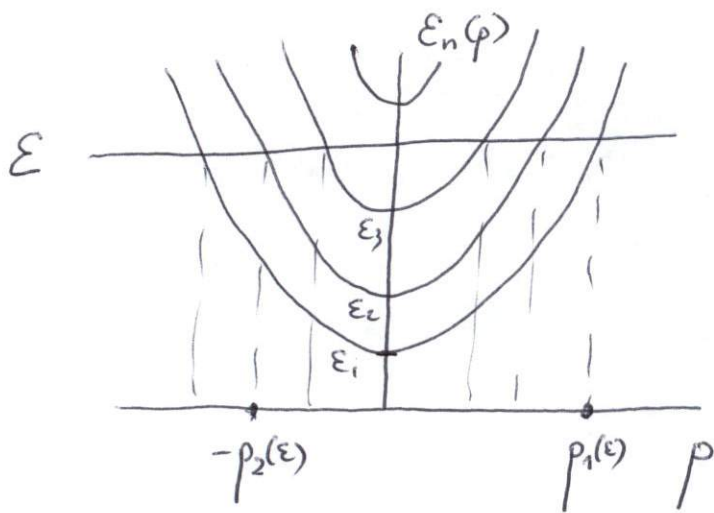
$$\psi(\vec{r}) = \chi(\vec{r}_\perp) \varphi(x), \quad \Delta = \Delta_\perp + \partial_x^2$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[ \frac{\Delta_\perp \chi}{\chi} + \frac{\partial_x^2 \varphi}{\varphi} \right] = \epsilon$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta_\perp \chi_n = \epsilon_n \chi_n$$

$$\varphi = e^{ipx}, \quad \epsilon = \epsilon_n + p^2/2m$$

Longitudinal momentum  $p_n = \pm \sqrt{2m(\epsilon - \epsilon_n)}$



Number of "channels"  
(degeneracy of eigenstate  
with energy  $\epsilon$ )

$N(\epsilon) = 3$  for this graph.

General solution

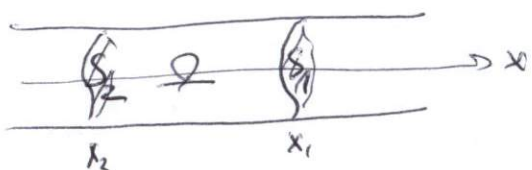
$$\psi_\epsilon(\vec{r}) = \sum_n \chi_n(\vec{r}_\perp) \left[ a_n e^{ip_n x} + b_n e^{-ip_n x} \right]$$

Since  $\psi_\epsilon(x)$  is a solution of the Sch. eq - u

$$\nabla \vec{j} = 0, \quad \vec{j} = \frac{\hbar}{2mi} \bar{\psi} \nabla \psi + c.c.$$

Integrating over the volume between two cross-sections

$$\int_V d^3r \nabla \vec{j} = \int_S d\vec{S} \cdot \vec{j} = \left( \int_{S_1} d^2r_\perp - \int_{S_2} d^2r_\perp \right) j(\vec{r}_\perp, x) = 0$$



assuming no current through waveguide surface.

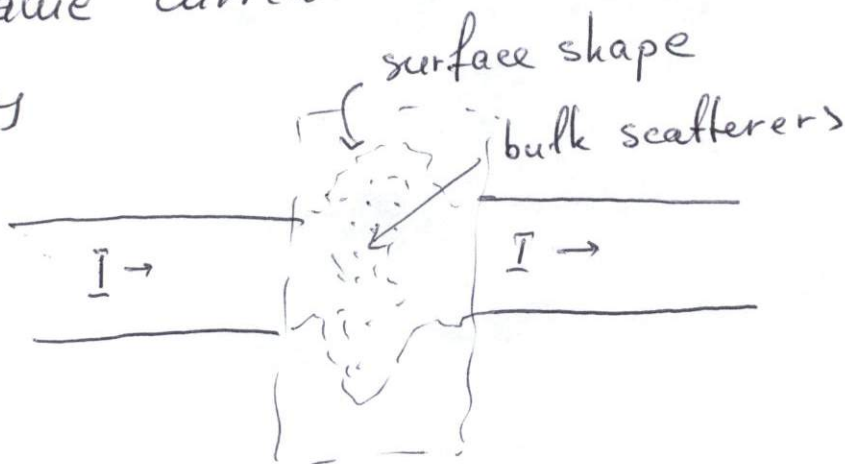
Then  $I_1 = \int d^2r_\perp j(\vec{r}_\perp, x_1) = I_2 = \int d^2r_\perp j(\vec{r}_\perp, x_2)$

Labels: "current" points to the  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  terms. "current density" points to the  $j$  terms.

The current in the state  $\psi_\epsilon(\vec{r})$

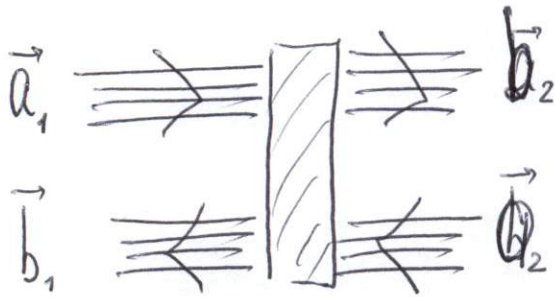
$$I = \sum_n v_n (|a_n|^2 - |b_n|^2) \text{ is indeed a const.}$$

The same current conservation for a generic geometry



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Visualization



Asymptotes!

$$\psi(x \rightarrow -\infty) = \sum_n f_n (a_{n1} e^{ip_n x} + b_{n1} e^{-ip_n x})$$

$$\psi(x \rightarrow +\infty) = \sum_n f_n (a_{n2} e^{-ip_n x} + b_{n2} e^{ip_n x})$$

Essentially  $N \times N$  matrix eq- $k$  of second order,  $2N$  independent constants, not  $4N$ ! Therefore

$\vec{a}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{N1} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{a}_1 \\ \vec{a}_2 \end{pmatrix}$ ;  $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{b}_1 \\ \vec{b}_2 \end{pmatrix}$  -  $2N$ -column vector

$$\vec{b} = \hat{S} \vec{a}$$

Current conservation

$$\sum_k v_n (|a_{n1}|^2 - |b_{n1}|^2) = \sum_n v_n (|b_{n2}|^2 - |a_{n2}|^2)$$

Since  $J_n(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\hbar t} v_n(\epsilon)$  we can rewrite it introducing diagonal matrix  $\hat{J} = \text{diag}(J_n)$

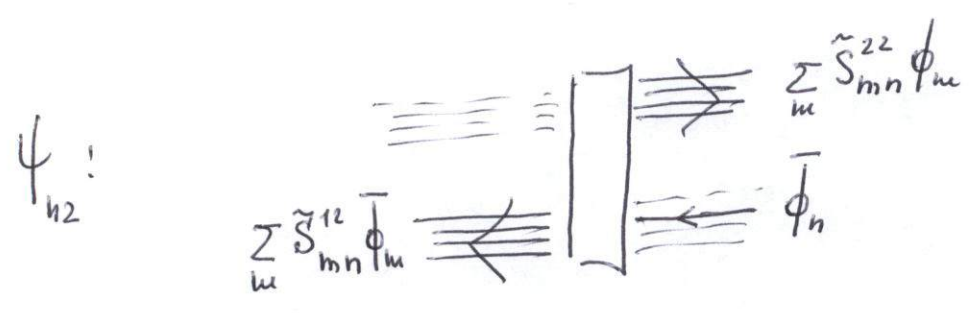
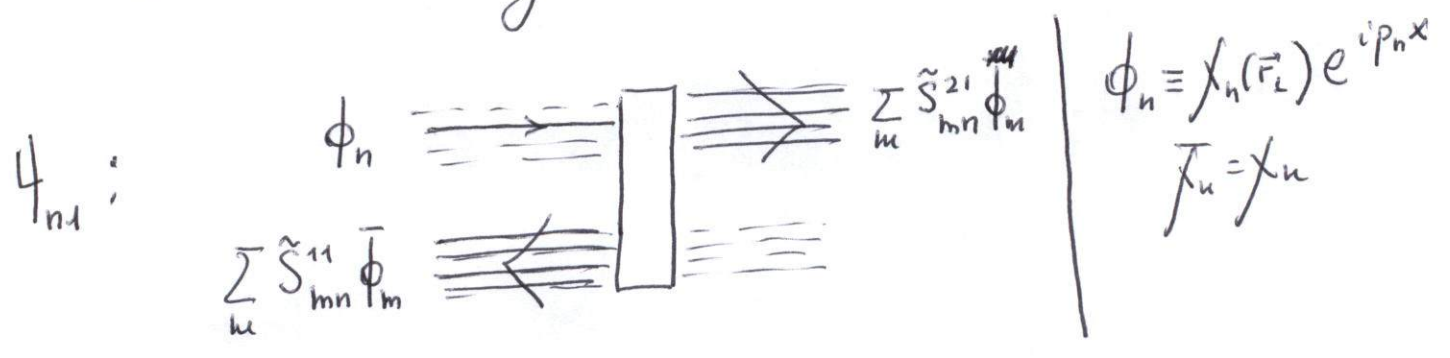
$$\hat{J}^{-1} = \hat{S}^+ \hat{J}^{-1} \hat{S}$$

Rescaling  $\tilde{S} = \hat{J}^{1/2} \hat{S} \hat{J}^{-1/2}$  leads to  $\hat{S}^+ \tilde{S}$  and

$$\hat{S} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{r} & t \\ \hat{t} & \hat{r}' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{S}_{11} & \hat{S}_{12} \\ \hat{S}_{21} & \hat{S}_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

MC-4

2N scattering states we use as basis



The field operator

$$\hat{\psi}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{nd} \int d\epsilon v_{nd}(\epsilon) \psi_{nd}(\vec{r}; \epsilon) \hat{a}_{nd}(\epsilon) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} v_{nd} = v_n / 2 \end{array} \right.$$

Normalization  $\langle \epsilon; n, d | \epsilon'; n', d' \rangle = v_{nd}^{-1}(\epsilon) \delta_{nn'} \delta_{dd'} \delta(\epsilon - \epsilon')$

$\langle 0 | \hat{a}_{nd}^+(\epsilon) \hat{a}_{n'd'}(\epsilon') | 0 \rangle$

requires  $\{ \hat{a}_{nd}(\epsilon), \hat{a}_{n'd'}^+(\epsilon') \} = v_{nd}^{-1}(\epsilon) \delta_{nn'} \delta_{dd'} \delta(\epsilon - \epsilon')$

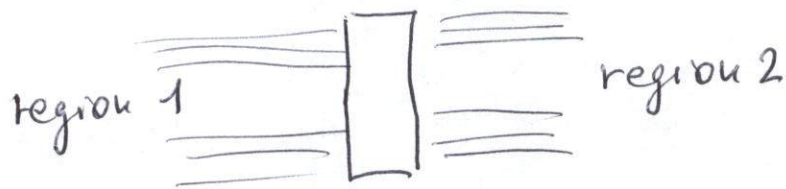
Rescaling  $v_{nd}^{1/2} \hat{a}_{nd} \rightarrow \tilde{a}_{nd}$  leads to (in new  $\tilde{a}_{nd}$ )

$$\hat{\psi}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{nd} \int d\epsilon v_{nd}^{1/2} \psi_{nd}(\vec{r}; \epsilon) \tilde{a}_{nd}(\epsilon)$$

$$\{ \tilde{a}_{nd}(\epsilon), \tilde{a}_{n'd'}^+(\epsilon') \} = \delta_{nn'} \delta_{dd'} \delta(\epsilon - \epsilon')$$

MC-5

$$\begin{cases} \psi(\vec{r}c1) = \sum_n \int d\varepsilon v_n^{1/2} \left[ \hat{a}_{n1} \left( \phi_n + \sum_m \tilde{S}_{mn}^{11} \bar{\phi}_m \right) + \hat{a}_{n2} \sum_m \tilde{S}_{mn}^{12} \bar{\phi}_m \right] \\ \psi(\vec{r}c2) = \sum_n \int d\varepsilon v_n^{1/2} \left[ \hat{a}_{n1} \sum_m \tilde{S}_{mn}^{21} \phi_m + \hat{a}_{n2} \left( \bar{\phi}_n + \sum_m \tilde{S}_{mn}^{22} \phi_m \right) \right] \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \psi_1 &= \sum_n \int d\varepsilon v_n^{1/2} \left[ \hat{a}_{n1} \phi_n + \hat{b}_{n1} \bar{\phi}_n \right] \\ \hat{b}_{n1} &= \sum_{m,\beta} \tilde{S}_{nm}^{1\beta} v_m^{1/2} \hat{a}_{m\beta} \\ &= \sum_{m,\beta} S_{nm}^{1\beta} \hat{a}_{m\beta} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \psi_1 \\ \hat{b}_{n1} \end{aligned}} \right\} \quad \begin{aligned} \psi_2 &= \sum_n \int d\varepsilon v_n^{1/2} \left[ \hat{a}_{n2} \bar{\phi}_n + \hat{b}_{n2} \phi_n \right] \\ \hat{b}_{n2} &= \sum_{m,\beta} S_{nm}^{2\beta} \hat{a}_{m\beta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\psi_d(\vec{r}) = \sum_n \int d\varepsilon v_n^{1/2}(\varepsilon) \psi_n(\vec{r}_1) \left[ \hat{a}_{nd}(\varepsilon) e^{i p_{nd}(\varepsilon) x} + \hat{b}_{nd}(\varepsilon) e^{-i p_{nd}(\varepsilon) x} \right]$$

↑ region/lead

$$p_{nd} = \begin{cases} p_n, & d=1 \\ -p_n, & d=2 \end{cases}$$

Hamiltonian  $\hat{H} = \int d^3r \hat{\psi}^\dagger \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta + V(\vec{r}) \right) \hat{\psi}$  in scat. states

$$\hat{H} = \int d\varepsilon d\varepsilon' \sum_{n,n'} \left( v_n(\varepsilon) v_{n'}(\varepsilon') \right)^{1/2} \hat{a}_{nd}^\dagger(\varepsilon^*) \hat{a}_{n'd'}(\varepsilon') \underbrace{\int d^3r \bar{\psi}_{nd}(\vec{r}; \varepsilon) \psi_{n'd'}(\vec{r}; \varepsilon')}_{v_n^{-1}(\varepsilon) \delta_{nn'} \delta_{dd'} \delta(\varepsilon - \varepsilon')}$$

$$\hat{H} = \sum_n \int d\varepsilon \varepsilon \hat{a}_{nd}^\dagger(\varepsilon) \hat{a}_{nd}(\varepsilon)$$

MC-6

Assuming equilibrium for each "d-particles" group:

$$\langle \hat{a}_{nd}^+(\epsilon) \hat{a}_{n'd'}(\epsilon') \rangle = \delta_{nn'} \delta_{dd'} \delta(\epsilon - \epsilon') f_d(\epsilon)$$

$d$  = index of scattering state, it means "from where" the particles came from, from which infinity/reservoir.

The current operator in the region 1:

$$\hat{I}_d = e \int d\epsilon d\epsilon' \sum_{nn'} [v_n(\epsilon) v_{n'}(\epsilon')]^{1/2} \left[ \hat{a}_{nd}^+(\epsilon) e^{-ip_n(\epsilon)x} + \hat{b}_{nd}^+(\epsilon) e^{ip_n(\epsilon)x} \right] \cdot \frac{e v_{n'}(\epsilon')}{2} \left[ \hat{a}_{n'd'}(\epsilon') e^{ip_{n'}(\epsilon')x} - \hat{b}_{n'd'}(\epsilon') e^{-ip_{n'}(\epsilon')x} \right] + h.c.$$

This current in any region flowing into scattering region (black box).

Averaging with density matrix

$$I_d = e \int_n \int d\epsilon \underbrace{v_n(\epsilon) v_n(\epsilon)}_{\rightarrow} \left[ f_d(\epsilon) - \sum_{up} |S_{nm}^{up}|^2 f_p(\epsilon) \right]$$

$$v_{nd} = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar v_n} \Rightarrow v_n \rightarrow v_n/2$$

$$I_d = e \int \frac{d\epsilon}{2\pi\hbar} \sum_n \left[ f_d - \sum_p (S_{dp}^+ S_{pd})_{nn} f_p \right]$$

$$I_\alpha = \frac{e}{2\pi\hbar} \int d\varepsilon \operatorname{tr} \left[ \begin{array}{c} f_\alpha \\ \uparrow \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cc} f_\alpha & -iS^+ S \\ p & p \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right]$$

trace is only over channels

Current conservation

$$\sum_\alpha I_\alpha = \frac{e}{2\pi\hbar} \int d\varepsilon \operatorname{Tr} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \tilde{f} \\ \uparrow \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \tilde{f} - S^+ \tilde{f} S \\ \tilde{f} \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right] = 0$$

Trace over the whole space

$\tilde{f} = \operatorname{diag}(f_1, f_2)$

$$I_\alpha = \frac{e}{2\pi\hbar} \int d\varepsilon \operatorname{tr} \left[ (1-r+r) f_\alpha - t^+ t f_\alpha \right]$$

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{r} & \hat{t} \\ \hat{t} & \hat{r}' \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{S}^+ \hat{S} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{r}^+ & \hat{t}^+ \\ \hat{t} & \hat{r}'^+ \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{r} & \hat{t} \\ \hat{t} & \hat{r}' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{r}^+ \hat{r} + \hat{t}^+ \hat{t} & \\ & \hat{t}^+ \hat{r}' + \hat{r}'^+ \hat{t} \end{pmatrix} = 1$$

$$I_1 = \frac{e}{2\pi\hbar} \int d\varepsilon \operatorname{tr} \hat{T}(\varepsilon) \cdot (f_1 - f_2), \quad \hat{T} = \hat{t}^+ \hat{t}$$

If  $\hat{T}(\varepsilon) \approx \hat{T}$  then

$$I_1 = \frac{e^2}{2\pi\hbar} \operatorname{tr} \hat{T} \cdot V = G \cdot V$$

$$G = G_Q \cdot \operatorname{tr} \hat{T}$$