

HW #5

1. Not-so-hard sphere

(a)

We solve the problem exactly. The wave function is $R_l(r) = j_l(kr) \cos \delta_l + n_l(kr) \sin \delta_l$ for $r > a$, and $R_l(r) = j_l(\sqrt{k^2 - K^2} r)$ for $r < a$ at high energies $k > K = \sqrt{2mV}/\hbar$. Requiring the logarithmic derivatives to match,

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Simplify}\left[\frac{1}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2kr}} \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{(2l+1)}{2}, kr\right] \cos[\delta_1] + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2kr}} \text{BesselY}\left[\frac{(2l+1)}{2}, kr\right] \sin[\delta_1] \right)} \right. \\ & \quad \left. D\left[\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2kr}} \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{(2l+1)}{2}, kr\right] \cos[\delta_1] + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2kr}} \text{BesselY}\left[\frac{(2l+1)}{2}, kr\right] \sin[\delta_1], r \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left(-kr \text{BesselJ}\left[-\frac{1}{2} + l, kr\right] \cos[\delta_1] + \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{1}{2} + l, kr\right] \cos[\delta_1] + \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. kr \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{3}{2} + l, kr\right] \cos[\delta_1] - kr \text{BesselY}\left[-\frac{1}{2} + l, kr\right] \sin[\delta_1] + \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \text{BesselY}\left[\frac{1}{2} + l, kr\right] \sin[\delta_1] + kr \text{BesselY}\left[\frac{3}{2} + l, kr\right] \sin[\delta_1] \right) / \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left(2r \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{1}{2} + l, kr\right] \cos[\delta_1] + 2r \text{BesselY}\left[\frac{1}{2} + l, kr\right] \sin[\delta_1] \right) \right] \\ & \text{Simplify}\left[\frac{D\left[\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r}} \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{(2l+1)}{2}, \sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r\right], r \right]}{\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r}} \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{(2l+1)}{2}, \sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r\right]} \right] \\ & \quad - \left(-\sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r \text{BesselJ}\left[-\frac{1}{2} + l, \sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r\right] + \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{1}{2} + l, \sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r\right] + \right. \\ & \quad \left. \sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{3}{2} + l, \sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r\right] \right) / \left(2r \text{BesselJ}\left[\frac{1}{2} + l, \sqrt{k^2 - K^2}r\right] \right) \end{aligned}$$

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sol =
Solve[-(-k r BesselJ[-1/2 + 1, k r] cot + BesselJ[1/2 + 1, k r] cot + k r BesselJ[3/2 + 1, k r] cot -
k r Bessely[-1/2 + 1, k r] + Bessely[1/2 + 1, k r] + k r Bessely[3/2 + 1, k r])/
(2 r BesselJ[1/2 + 1, k r] cot + 2 r Bessely[1/2 + 1, k r]) ==
-(-Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] r BesselJ[-1/2 + 1, Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] r] + BesselJ[1/2 + 1, Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] r] + Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] r
BesselJ[3/2 + 1, Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] r])/((2 r BesselJ[1/2 + 1, Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] r]) /. {r -> a}, cot]

{cot ->
(-k BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] Bessely[-1/2 + 1, a k] + Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] BesselJ[-1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]]
Bessely[1/2 + 1, a k] - Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] BesselJ[3/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] Bessely[1/2 + 1, a k] +
k BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] Bessely[3/2 + 1, a k])/
(-Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] BesselJ[-1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a k] + k BesselJ[-1/2 + 1, a k]
BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] - k BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] BesselJ[3/2 + 1, a k] +
Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a k] BesselJ[3/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]])}

sin2deltal = Simplify[1/(1 + cot^2) /. sol[[1]]]

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(1 + (Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] (BesselJ[-1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] - BesselJ[3/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]]) Bessely[1/2 + 1, a k] +
k BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] (-Bessely[-1/2 + 1, a k] + Bessely[3/2 + 1, a k]))^2/
(Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] BesselJ[-1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a k] - k BesselJ[-1/2 + 1, a k]
BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] + k BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]] BesselJ[3/2 + 1, a k] -
Sqrt[k^2 - K^2] BesselJ[1/2 + 1, a k] BesselJ[3/2 + 1, a Sqrt[k^2 - K^2]])^2)

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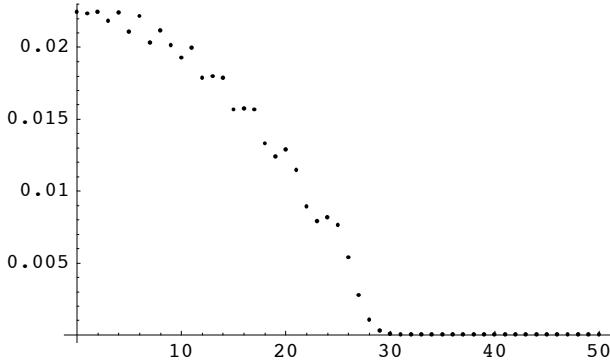
For $K a = 3$,

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-6}, {33, 1.50655×10-7}, {34, 1.32748×10-8},
{35, 9.73072×10-10}, {36, 6.00373×10-11}, {37, 3.15296×10-12}, {38, 1.42497×10-13},
{39, 5.47066×10-15}, {40, 2.73194×10-16}, {41, 3.0721×10-19}, {42, 3.56932×10-17},
{43, 4.20285×10-17}, {44, 1.20598×10-18}, {45, 5.95957×10-18}, {46, 2.7534×10-17},
{47, 1.06462×10-17}, {48, 5.92185×10-18}, {49, 2.98054×10-17}, {50, 6.17154×10-18}}

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plot1 = ListPlot[table1]
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- Graphics -
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$$\sigma_{\text{total}} = \sum \left[\frac{4 \pi (2l+1)}{k^2} \right] \text{table1}[[l+1, 2]] / . \{k \rightarrow 30.\}, \{l, 0, 50\}]$$

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0.140557
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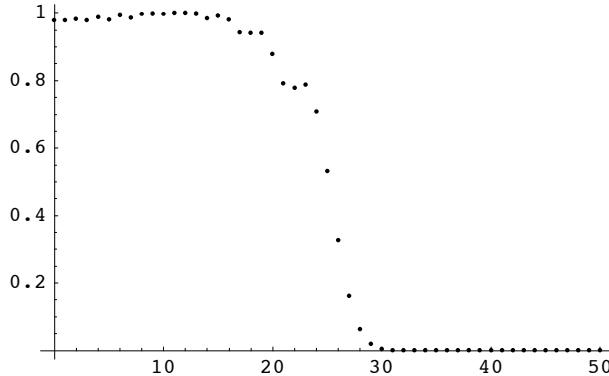
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table2 = Table[{l, sin2deltal /. {a → 1, k → 30., K → 10.}}, {l, 0, 50}]
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{{0, 0.979313}, {1, 0.978979}, {2, 0.982717}, {3, 0.97905}, {4, 0.989201}, {5, 0.980278},
{6, 0.994967}, {7, 0.986532}, {8, 0.997096}, {9, 0.997642}, {10, 0.997112},
{11, 0.99917}, {12, 0.999995}, {13, 0.998418}, {14, 0.985572}, {15, 0.991908},
{16, 0.981422}, {17, 0.942118}, {18, 0.941285}, {19, 0.9421}, {20, 0.877756},
{21, 0.7907}, {22, 0.777905}, {23, 0.787805}, {24, 0.707436}, {25, 0.532233},
{26, 0.326976}, {27, 0.161754}, {28, 0.0636946}, {29, 0.0196975}, {30, 0.00472489},
{31, 0.000875119}, {32, 0.000126084}, {33, 0.0000143711}, {34, 1.32218×10-6},
{35, 1.00029×10-7}, {36, 6.32096×10-9}, {37, 3.38766×10-10}, {38, 1.54618×10-11},
{39, 5.04936×10-13}, {40, 2.47407×10-14}, {41, 1.66814×10-14}, {42, 7.72163×10-15},
{43, 2.95593×10-16}, {44, 7.74072×10-18}, {45, 4.63864×10-17}, {46, 3.53274×10-17},
{47, 2.8348×10-16}, {48, 2.54894×10-17}, {49, 2.95414×10-17}, {50, 1.095×10-17}}

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plot2 = ListPlot[table2]
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- Graphics -

$$\text{sigma2} = \text{Sum}\left[\frac{4 \pi (2 l + 1)}{k^2} \text{table2}[[l + 1, 2]] / . \{k \rightarrow 30.\}, \{l, 0, 50\}\right]$$

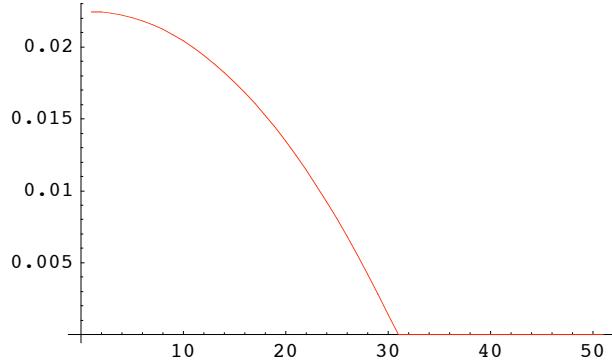
8.74545

(b)

In the semi-classical formula, the term with the potential is obtained from that without the potential by the replacement $k \rightarrow \sqrt{k^2 - K^2}$. Therefore, $\delta_l = \left(\sqrt{(k^2 - K^2) a^2 - l^2} - 2l \arctan \frac{\sqrt{(k^2 - K^2) a^2 - l^2}}{\sqrt{k^2 - K^2} a + l} \right) - \left(\sqrt{k^2 a^2 - l^2} - 2l \arctan \frac{\sqrt{k^2 a^2 - l^2}}{k a + l} \right)$

Note that the term should be dropped when the argument of the square root is negative because it implies there is no integration region.

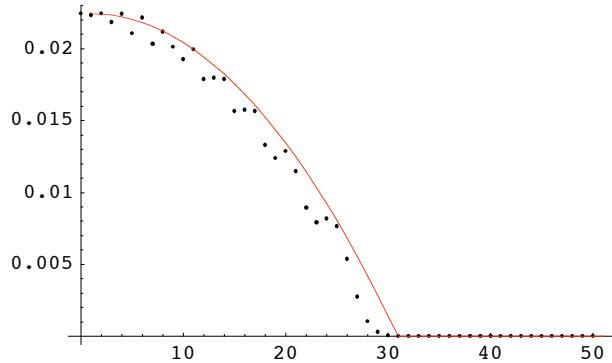
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plot3 = ListPlot[table3, PlotJoined → True, PlotStyle → {RGBColor[1, 0, 0]}]
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- Graphics -

Compared to the exact result, it is quite close.

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Show[plot1, plot3]
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- Graphics -

For the total cross section, compared to the exact result 0.140557, it is again quite close, with about 5% error.

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sigma3 = Sum[ $\frac{4 \pi (2 l + 1)}{k^2}$  table3[[l + 1]] /. {k → 30.}, {l, 0, 50}]
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0.146963

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 $\frac{\text{sigma3} - \text{sigma1}}{\text{sigma1}}$ 
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0.045582

Now for $K a = 10$,

Compared to the exact result, it is quite close

The figure shows a plot with a red curve and black dots representing data points. The x-axis is labeled from 0 to 50 with major ticks every 10 units. The y-axis is labeled from 0 to 1 with major ticks every 0.2 units. The data points follow a general downward trend, starting near y=1 for small x and approaching y=0 as x increases. The red curve provides a smooth fit to the data points, particularly for x > 15.

x	y (approximate)
0	1.0
5	1.0
10	1.0
15	1.0
20	0.95
25	0.75
30	0.05
35	0.01
40	0.01
45	0.01
50	0.01

For the total cross section, compared to the exact result 8.74543, it is again quite close, with about 3% error.

$$\sigma_4 = \text{Sum}\left[\frac{\frac{4 \pi (2 l + 1)}{k^2} \text{table4}[[l + 1]]}{\text{.} \{k \rightarrow 30.\}, \{l, 0, 50\}}\right]$$

9.2187

$$\frac{\sigma_4 - \sigma_2}{\sigma_2}$$

$$0.0541137$$

(c)

The eikonal approximation in Sakurai relates the phase shift to $\delta_l = \Delta(b) |_{b=l/k}$ (7.6.24) where $\Delta(b) = -\frac{m}{2k\hbar^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V(\sqrt{b^2 + z^2}) dz$. In our case, we only need to know the distance the straight line with impact parameter b in Figure 7.5 (page 393) goes through the radius r , which is $2\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}$. Therefore, $\Delta(b) = -\frac{m}{2k\hbar^2} V 2\sqrt{a^2 - b^2} = -\frac{K^2}{2k} \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}$. The result is hence $\delta_l = -\frac{K^2}{2k} \sqrt{a^2 - (l/k)^2} = -\frac{K^2}{2k^2} \sqrt{k^2 a^2 - l^2}$.

Expand the semi-classical formula,

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Simplify}[\text{Series}\left[\left(\sqrt{(k^2 - K^2) a^2 - 1^2} - 2 \operatorname{ArcTan}\left[\frac{\sqrt{(k^2 - K^2) a^2 - 1^2}}{\sqrt{k^2 - K^2} a + 1}\right]\right) - \right. \\ & \quad \left.\left(\sqrt{k^2 a^2 - 1^2} - 2 \operatorname{ArcTan}\left[\frac{\sqrt{k^2 a^2 - 1^2}}{k a + 1}\right]\right), \{K, 0, 2\}\}] \\ & 2 \operatorname{ArcTan}\left[\frac{\sqrt{a^2 k^2 - 1^2}}{a k + 1}\right] - \operatorname{ArcTan}\left[\frac{\sqrt{a^2 k^2 - 1^2}}{a \sqrt{k^2} + 1}\right] - \frac{\sqrt{a^2 k^2 - 1^2} K^2}{2 k^2} + O[K]^3 \\ & \text{PowerExpand}[\%] \\ & - \frac{\sqrt{a^2 k^2 - 1^2} K^2}{2 k^2} + O[K]^3 \end{aligned}$$

This is precisely the result from the eikonal approximation.

In general, the eikonal approximation is a simplified formula of the semi-classical result when the potential is weak compared to the kinetic energy.

(d)

The Born approximation says

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(1)} &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{q} \int_0^\infty r V(r) \sin qr dr \\ &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{q} \int_0^a r \frac{\hbar^2 K^2}{2m} \sin qr dr = -\frac{K^2}{q} \frac{\sin qa - q a \cos qa}{q^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Integrate}[r \sin[q r], \{r, 0, a\}] \\ & \frac{-a q \cos[a q] + \sin[a q]}{q^2} \end{aligned}$$

Note that $q^2 = 2k^2(1 - \cos\theta)$ and hence $d\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2k^2} d\theta = \frac{q}{k^2} dq$. The cross section is then

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{Born}} &= \text{Simplify}[\text{Integrate}\left[2\pi \left(K^2 \frac{-a q \cos[a q] + \sin[a q]}{q^2}\right)^2 \frac{q}{k^2}, \{q, 0, 2k\}\right]] \\ & \frac{K^4 \pi (-1 - 8 a^2 k^2 + 32 a^4 k^4 + \cos[4 a k] + 4 a k \sin[4 a k])}{64 k^6} \end{aligned}$$

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sigmaBorn /. {k → 30, a → 1, K → 3.}

0.141333


$$\frac{\% - \text{sigma1}}{\text{sigma1}}$$


0.00552286

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This is very close, as good as 0.6%.

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sigmaBorn /. {k → 30, a → 1, K → 10.}

17.4485


$$\frac{\% - \text{sigma2}}{\text{sigma2}}$$


0.995151

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This one has 100% error! As K is increased, it goes beyond the validity of the Born approximation. In comparison, the semi-classical formula remained very good.

2. Gaussian Wave Packet with Resonance

(a)

$$\frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-(q-k)^2 d^2/2} (e^{iqr} e^{2i\delta} - (-1)^l e^{-iqr}) e^{-i\hbar q^2 t/2m} dq$$

Without the scattering, it is

$$\frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-(q-k)^2 d^2/2} (e^{iqr} - (-1)^l e^{-iqr}) e^{-i\hbar q^2 t/2m} dq$$

Assuming that the Gaussian is sufficiently narrow, we can extend the integration to $-\infty$ to ∞ . The integrand is dominated where $q = k$, and we expand the exponent

$$\pm iqr - i \frac{\hbar q^2}{2m} t = \pm ikr - i \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m} t + i(\pm r - \frac{\hbar k}{m} t)(q - k) + O(q - k)^2.$$

We use the notation $v = \hbar k / m$, the classical velocity.

Within this approximation, the incoming piece is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-ikr - i\hbar k^2 t/2m} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(q-k)^2 d^2/2} e^{i(-r-vt)(q-k)} dq \\ &= e^{-ikr - i\hbar k^2 t/2m} e^{-(r+vt)^2/2d^2} \end{aligned}$$

which is appreciable only if $t < 0$, while the outgoing piece is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{ikr - i\hbar k^2 t/2m} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(q-k)^2 d^2/2} e^{i(r-vt)(q-k)} dq \\ &= e^{ikr - i\hbar k^2 t/2m} e^{-(r-vt)^2/2d^2} \end{aligned}$$

which is appreciable only if $t > 0$.

(b)

Around the resonance, the phase shift is well approximated by $e^{2i\delta_l(q)} = \frac{q-k_0-i\kappa}{q-k_0+i\kappa}$, and hence the scattered wave is

$$\frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-(q-k)^2} d^2/2 e^{iqr} \frac{-2i\kappa}{q-k_0+i\kappa} e^{-i\hbar q^2 t/2m} dq.$$

First of all, assuming that the Gaussian is wider than the resonance, we substitute k_0 into q , and we extend the integral from $-\infty$ to ∞ ,

$$\frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(k_0-k)^2} d^2/4 \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{iqr} \frac{-2i\kappa}{q-k_0+i\kappa} e^{-i\hbar q^2 t/2m} dq.$$

We expand the phase factor around k_0 up to the first order,

$$qr - \frac{\hbar q^2}{2m} t = k_0 r - \frac{\hbar k_0^2}{2m} t + (r - \frac{\hbar k_0}{m} t)(q - k_0) + O(q - k_0)^2,$$

$$\frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(k_0-k)^2} d^2/4 e^{ik_0 r - i \frac{\hbar k_0^2}{2m} t} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{-2i\kappa}{q-k_0+i\kappa} e^{i(r-\hbar k_0 t/m)(q-k_0)} dq$$

The integral can be extended to the lower half plane if $r - \frac{\hbar k_0}{m} t < 0$, and we find

$$\theta(vt - r) \frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(k_0-k)^2} d^2/2 e^{ik_0 r - i \frac{\hbar k_0^2}{2m} t} (-2\pi i) (-2i\kappa) e^{i(r-\hbar k_0 t/m)(-i\kappa)}$$

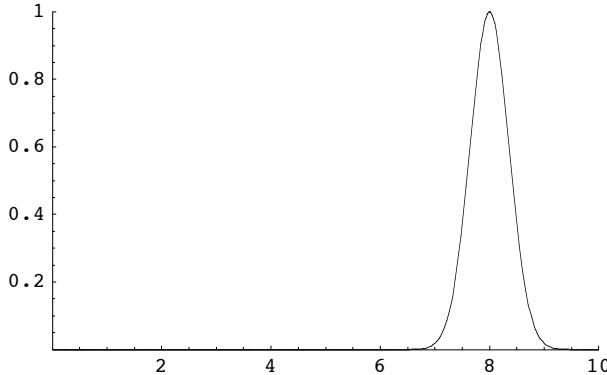
$$= \theta(vt - r) \frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(k_0-k)^2} d^2/2 e^{ik_0 r - i \frac{\hbar k_0^2}{2m} t} (-4\pi\kappa) e^{\kappa r} e^{-\hbar k_0 \kappa t/m}.$$

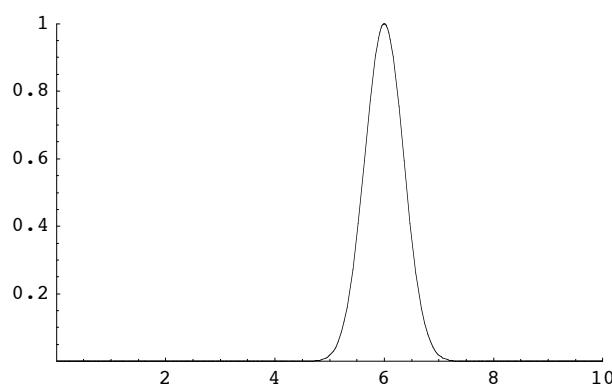
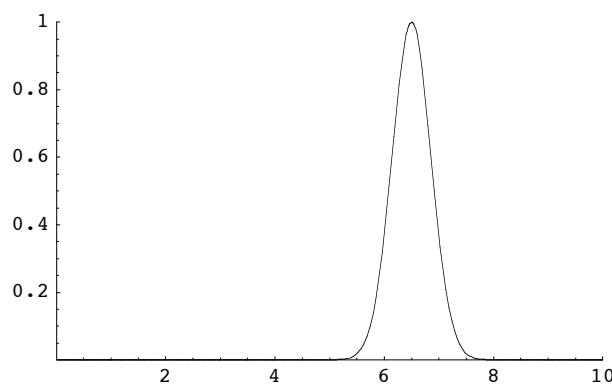
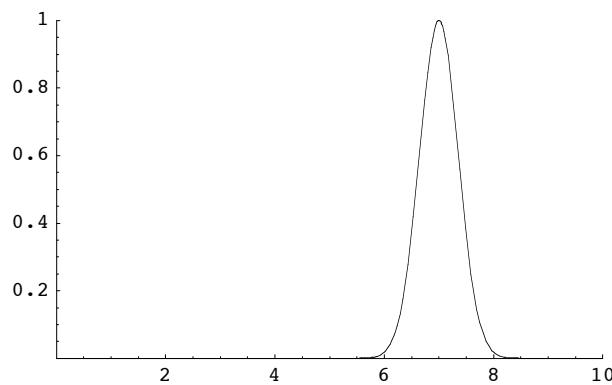
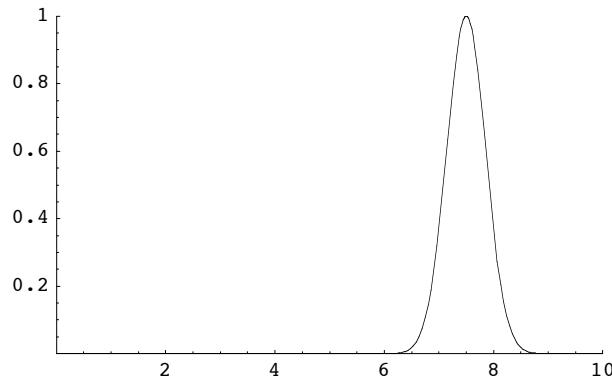
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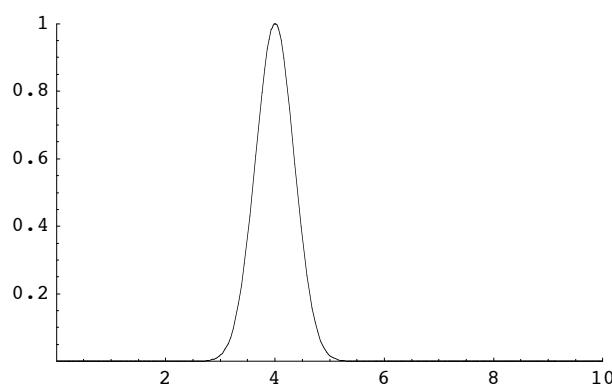
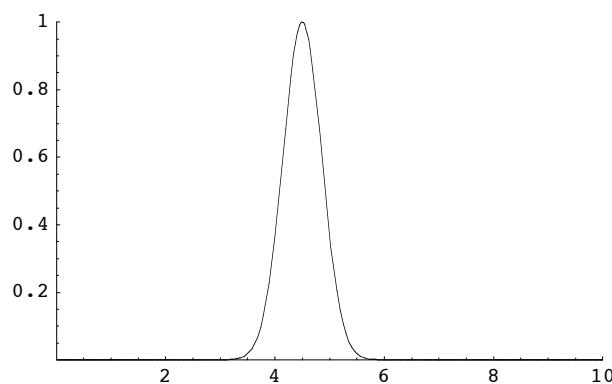
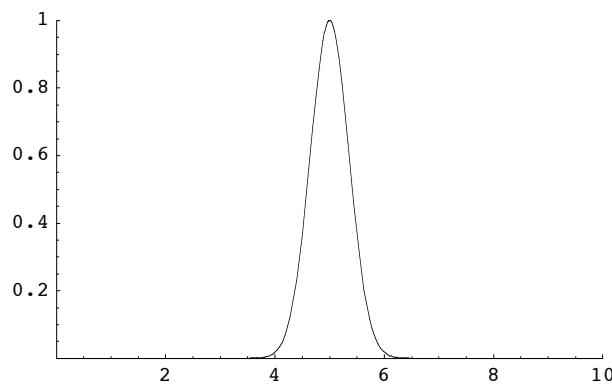
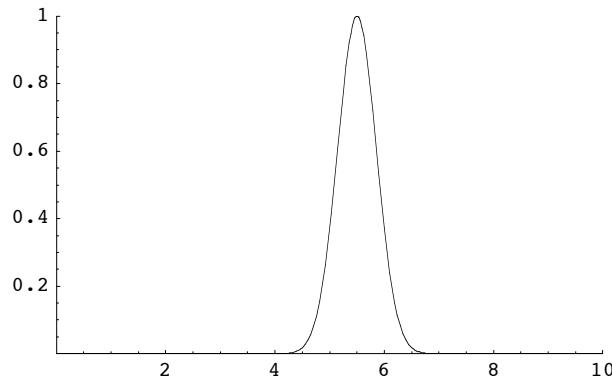
For plotting, I use $k = k_0 = 1$, $\kappa = 0.1$, $\hbar = 1$, $m = 1$, and $d = 3$.

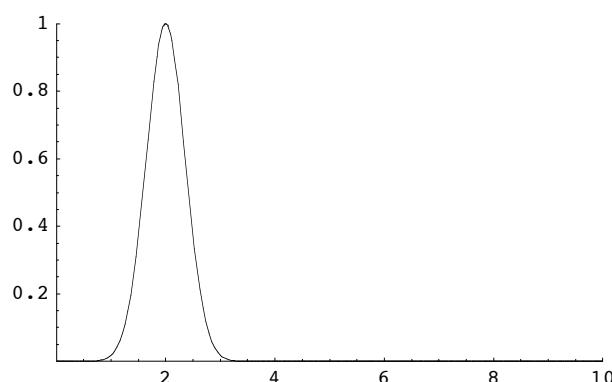
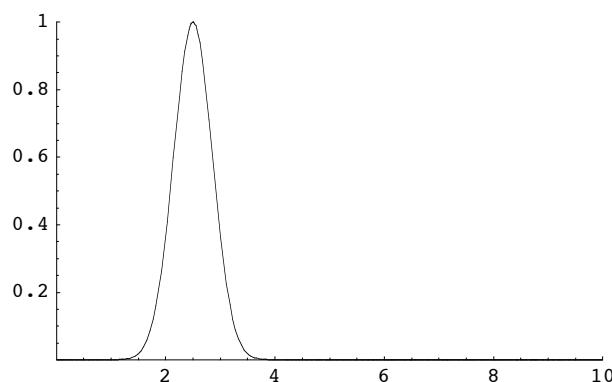
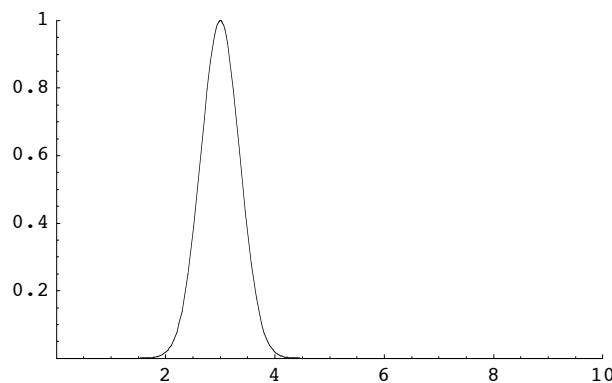
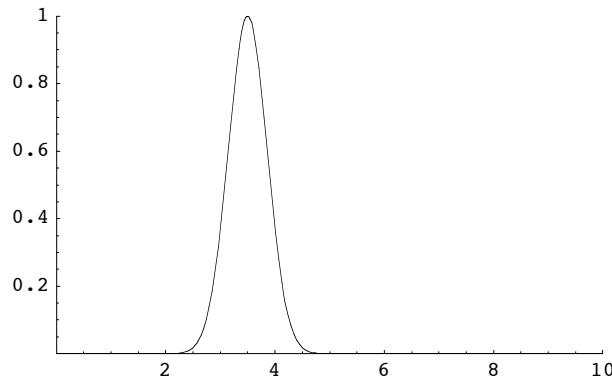
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{rR} = & \mathbf{E}^{i\kappa r - i\hbar k^2 t / (2m)} \mathbf{E}^{-(r - \hbar k t / m)^2 / (2d^2)} - (-1)^1 \mathbf{E}^{-i\kappa r - i\hbar k^2 t / (2m)} \mathbf{E}^{-(r + \hbar k t / m)^2 / (2d^2)} + \\ & \text{If}\left[r < \frac{\hbar k_0}{m} t, \frac{d}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \mathbf{E}^{-(k_0 - k)^2 d^2 / 2} \mathbf{E}^{i\kappa_0 r - i\hbar k_0^2 t / (2m)} (-4\pi\kappa) \mathbf{E}^{\kappa r} \mathbf{E}^{-\hbar k_0 \kappa t / m}, 0\right] \\ & \mathbf{E}^{i\kappa r - \frac{i\hbar^2 t \hbar}{2m} - \frac{(r - \frac{\kappa t \hbar}{m})^2}{2d^2}} - (-1)^1 \mathbf{E}^{-i\kappa r - \frac{i\hbar^2 t \hbar}{2m} - \frac{(r + \frac{\kappa t \hbar}{m})^2}{2d^2}} + \\ & \text{If}\left[r < \frac{t \hbar k_0}{m}, \frac{d \mathbf{E}^{\frac{1}{2}(-(k_0 - k)^2) d^2} \mathbf{E}^{i\kappa_0 r - \frac{i\hbar k_0^2 t}{2m}} (-4\pi\kappa) \mathbf{E}^{\kappa r} \mathbf{E}^{-\frac{\hbar k_0 \kappa t}{m}}, 0\right] \end{aligned}$$

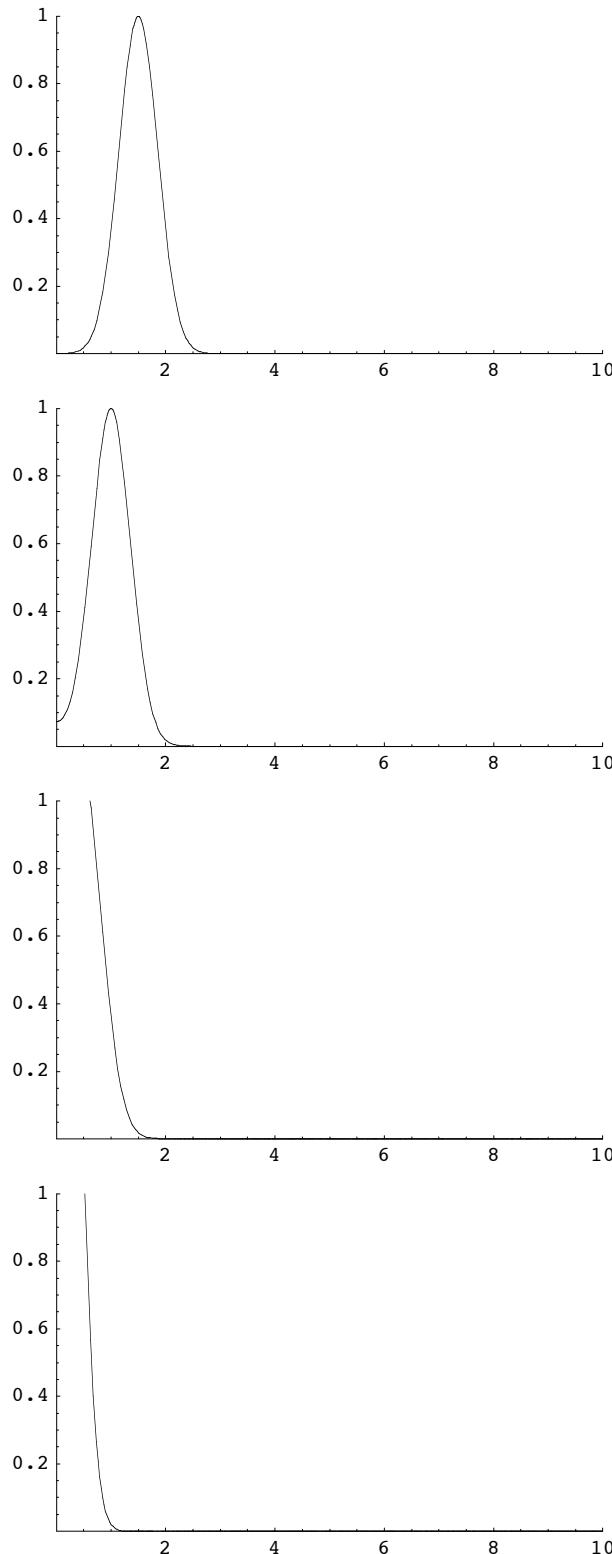
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Table[Plot[Abs[rR]^2 /. {k → 1, k0 → 1, κ → 0.2, ℏ → 1, m → 1, d → 0.5, l → 1}, {r, 0, 10}, PlotRange → {{0, 10}, {0, 1}}], {t, -8, 8, 0.5}]
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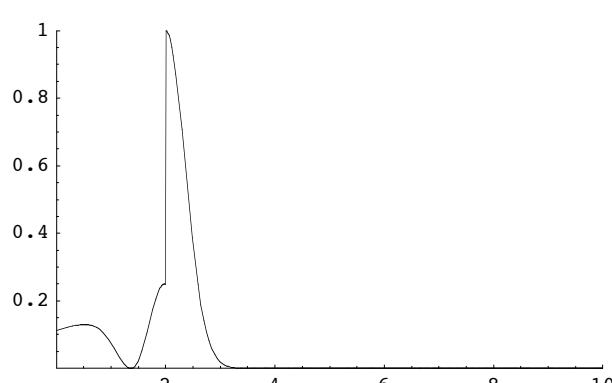
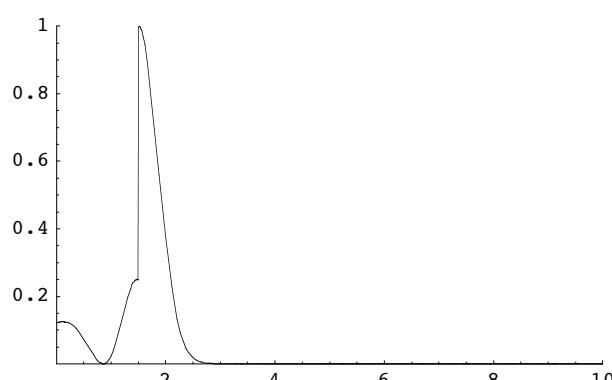
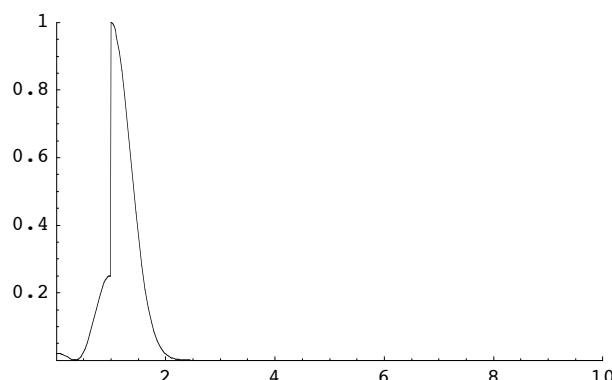
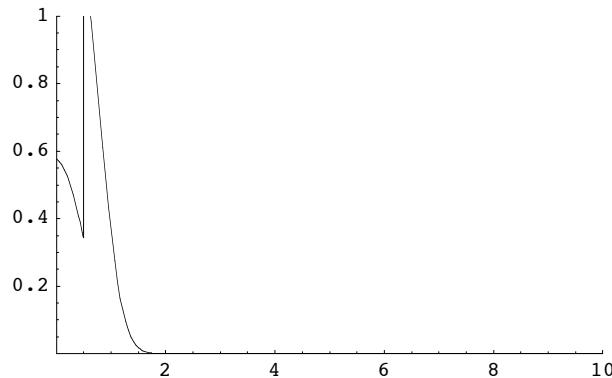


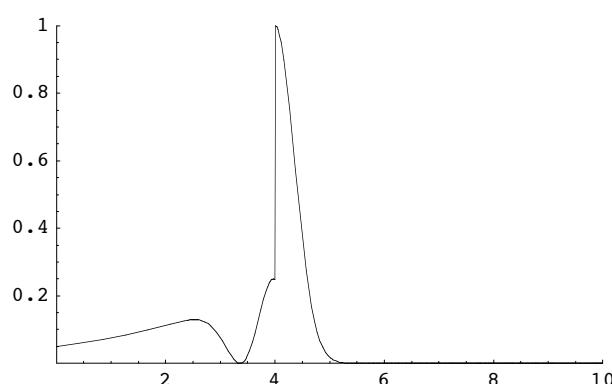
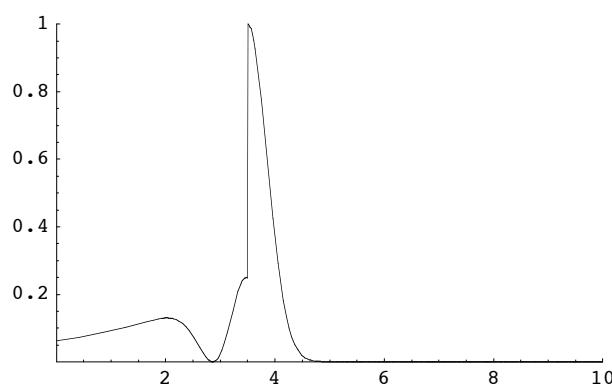
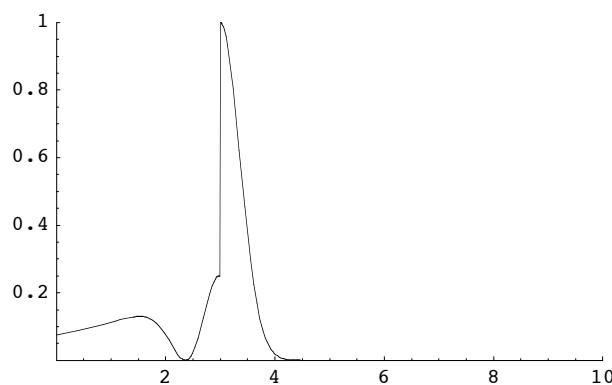
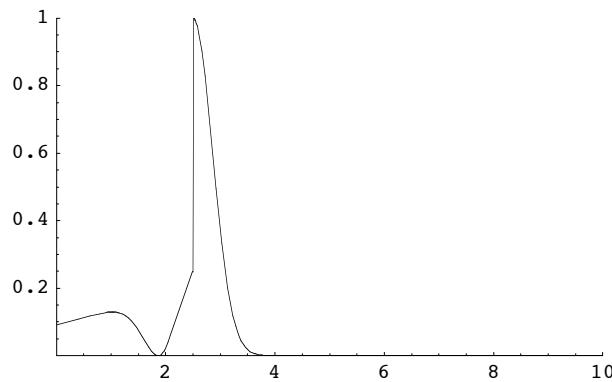


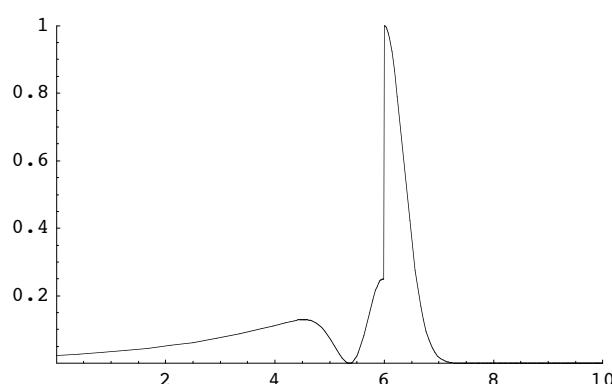
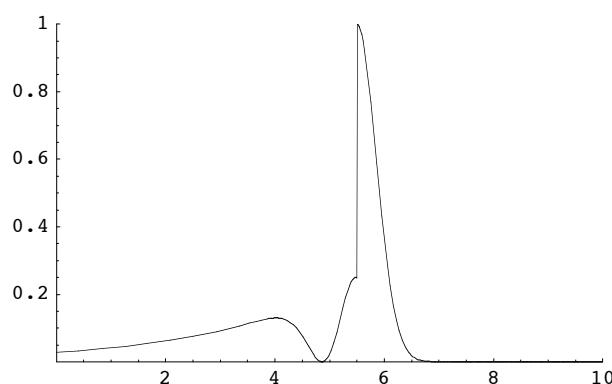
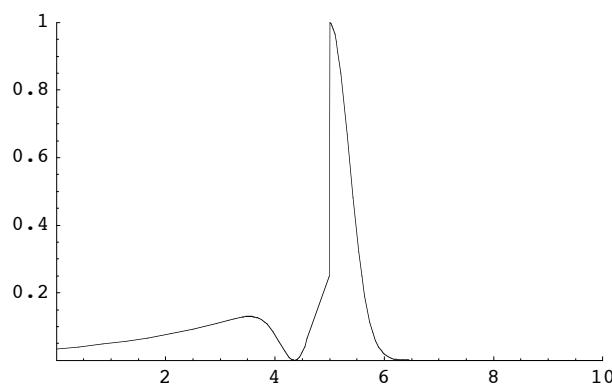
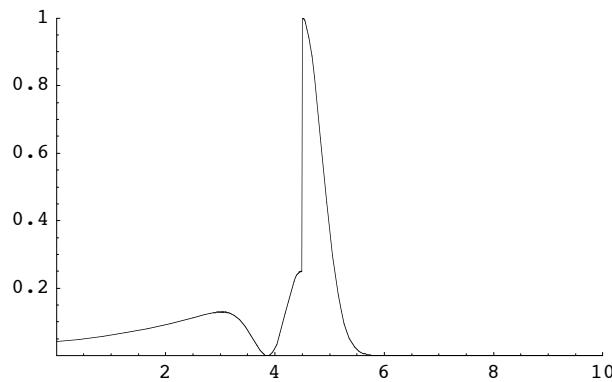


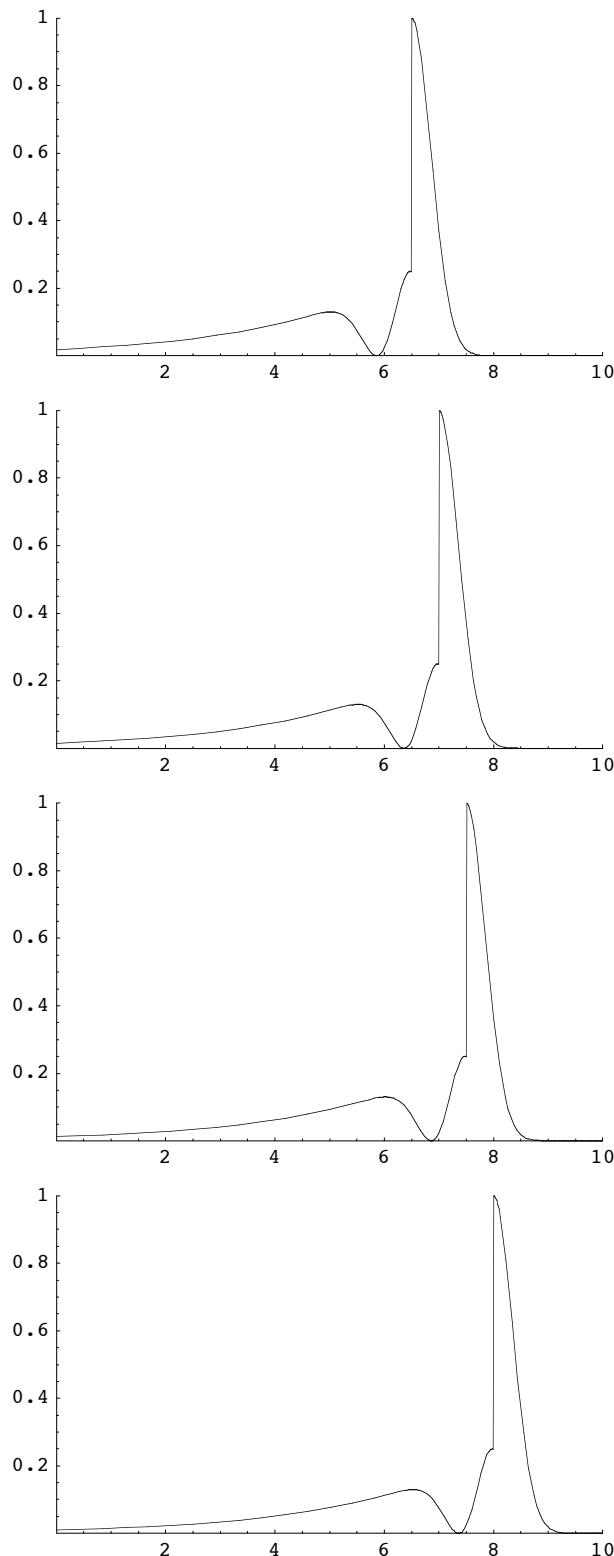












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I see the "delayed" piece with an exponential profile. It is also interesting to see that the probability is scraped off from the "prompt" Gaussian peak by a destructive interference, which is used to create the delayed piece consistent with the probability conservation, with a prominent dip right after the prompt peak.

(d)

The exponential tail has the time dependence $e^{-\hbar k_0 \kappa t/m} = e^{-t/2\tau}$ with $\tau = m/(2\hbar k_0 \kappa)$. Here, there is a factor of two in the exponent because the probability is the square of the wave function $e^{-t/\tau}$.

On the other hand, the imaginary part of the energy at the pole is $E = \frac{\hbar^2(k_0 - i\kappa)^2}{2m} = \frac{\hbar^2(k_0^2 - \kappa^2)}{2m} - i \frac{\hbar^2 k_0 \kappa}{m} = E_0 - i \frac{\Gamma}{2}$. Therefore, $\Gamma = \frac{2\hbar^2 k_0 \kappa}{m}$.

I find $\Gamma \tau = \hbar$.