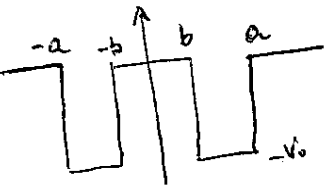


a)  by symmetry we only need to match wave functions at $x=b$ and a .

For even solutions we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \phi_1(x) = A \cosh kx \quad 0 < x < b \\ \phi_2(x) = B \sin qx + C \cos qx \quad b < x < a \\ \phi_3(x) = D e^{-kx} \quad x > a \end{array} \right.$$

at $x=b$

$$\phi_1(b) = \phi_2(b) \rightarrow A \cosh kb = B \sin qb + C \cos qb$$

$$\phi_1'(b) = \phi_2'(b) \rightarrow k A \sinh kb = q (B \cos qb - C \sin qb)$$

at $x=a$

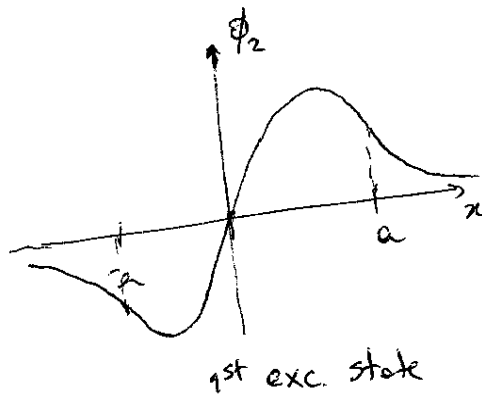
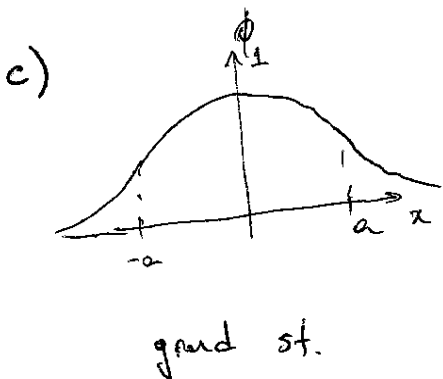
$$\phi_2(a) = \phi_3(a) \rightarrow C \cos qa + B \sin qa = D e^{-ka}$$

$$\phi_2'(a) = \phi_3'(a) \rightarrow q (B \cos qa - C \sin qa) = -k D e^{-ka}$$

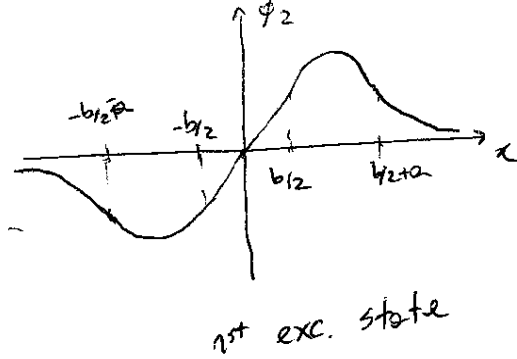
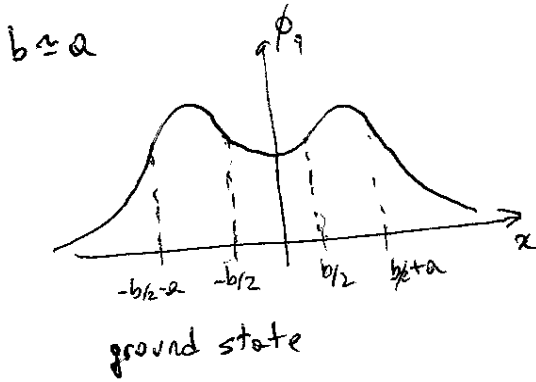
After some manipulation one gets the result.

For odd solutions the only difference is $\phi_1(x) = A \sinh kx$

b) as $b \rightarrow 0$ $t(q(a-b)) \rightarrow tqa$ so for even sol. $\tan qa = \frac{k}{q}$
 $\tanh kb \rightarrow 0$
 $\coth kb \rightarrow \infty$ and for odd sol. $\tan qa = -q/k$

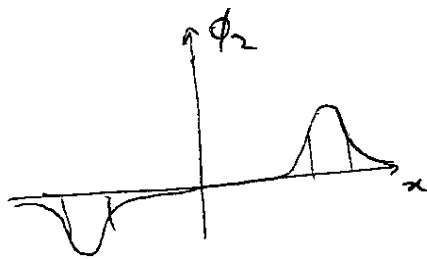


$b=0$
normal finite square well



the solution is given in part a

$b \gg a$ is same as $b \approx a$ but the wave function is very small in the barrier region. as $b \rightarrow \infty$ we have two ~~independent~~ isolated wells, with a degenerate ground state.



The energy of ϕ_1 becomes equal to $E(\phi_2)$ as $b \rightarrow \infty$

d) for $b=0$

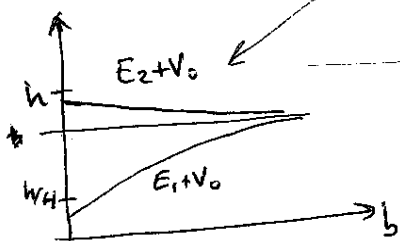
$$E_1 + V_0 \approx \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2m(2a)^2} = \frac{\hbar^2}{4}$$

with $\hbar = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2}$

$b \rightarrow \infty$ (isolated wells)

$$\{ E_1 + V_0 = E_2 + V_0 \approx \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2} = \hbar$$

As $b \rightarrow 0$ ϕ_2 gets more curved, corresponding with higher energy



e) In the ground state the energy is lowered by reducing b so the electron tends to draw the nuclei together.
The opposite happens in the 1st exc. state.