

Band Gap for the Neutron in a multilayer due to non- Newtonian gravity-like force

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Outline of this study

- Searches for non-Newton gravity-like force
 - Neutron Experiments provide the strongest constraints in the range $\leq 10 \text{ nm}$
- Neutron reflection probability off a bulk material
 - Neutron wave function for different interaction-range
- Reflection probability off a multilayer
 - Band gap prohibits for neutrons to go into the multilayer
- Band gap for the neutron in a multilayer
 - Multilayer designed not to reflect neutrons
- Summary

Searches for non-Newton gravity-like force

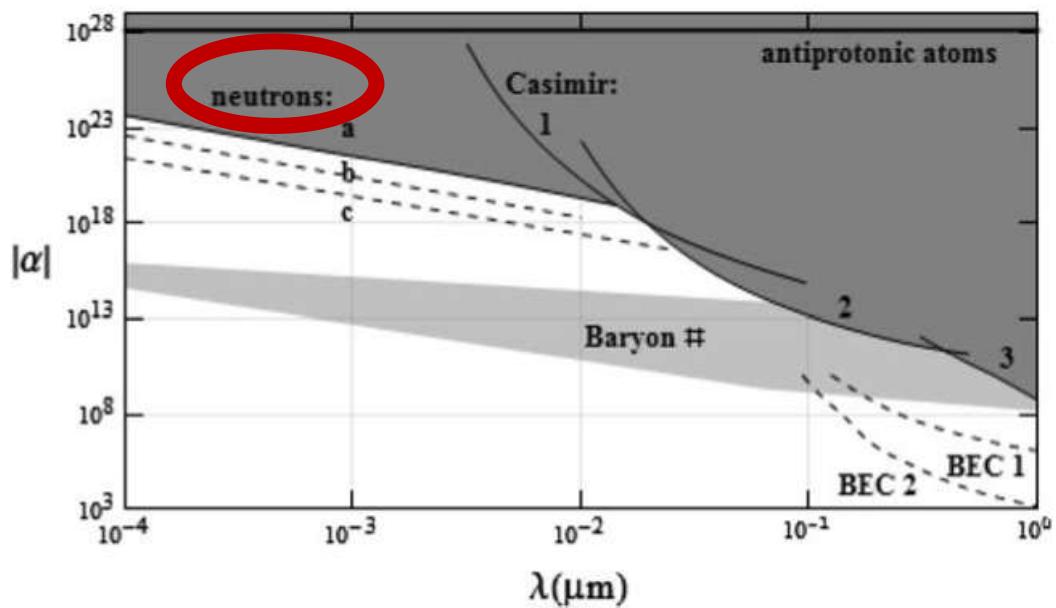
$$V(z) = -\frac{GMm}{r} \times (1 + \alpha e^{-r/\lambda})$$

G: the gravitational constant

M: the first mass

m: the second mass

r: the distance between
the masses

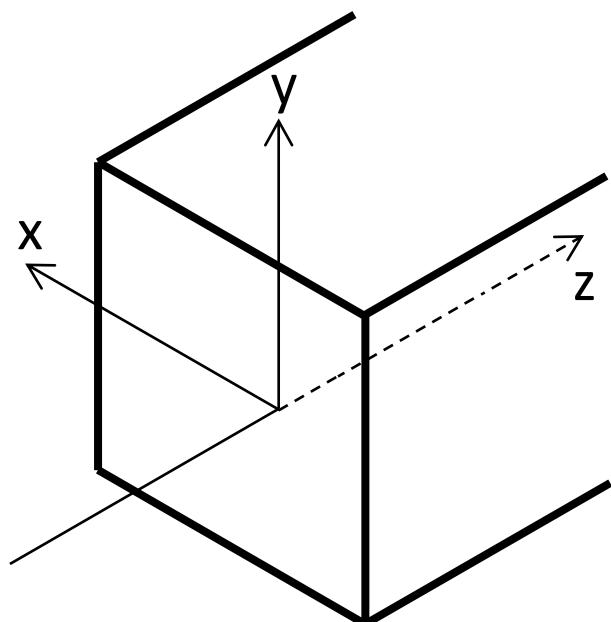


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Potential for neutron



$$\begin{cases} 0 & +V_g \exp(2k_g z) & z < 0 \\ V_f & +V_g (2 - \exp(-2k_g z)) & z > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$k_g = 1/\lambda$$

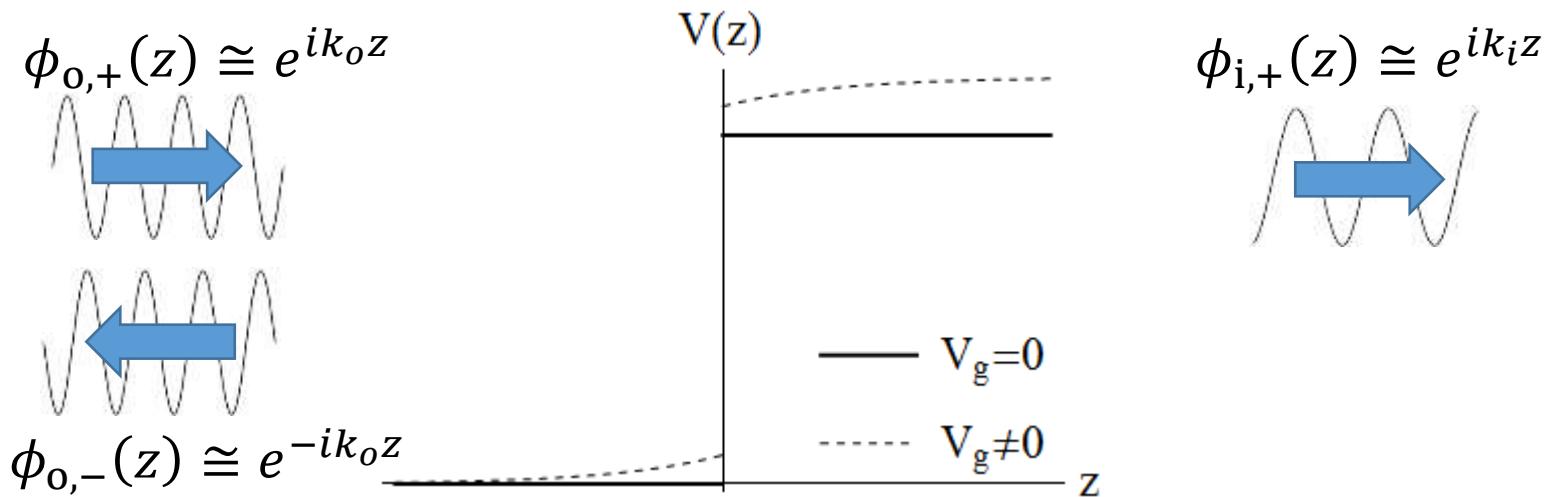
$$V_g = \frac{-Gm\pi\rho\alpha_g}{2k_g^2}$$

m: neutron mass

ρ : weight density of the bulk

V_f : Fermi potential of the bulk

How to calculate the reflection amplitude



$$R = -\frac{\phi_{o,+}(0) \frac{d}{dz} \ln \phi_{i,+}(z) - \frac{d}{dz} \ln \phi_{o,+}(z)}{\phi_{o,-}(0) \frac{d}{dz} \ln \phi_{i,+}(z) - \frac{d}{dz} \ln \phi_{o,-}(z)} \Big|_{z=0}$$

Schrodinger equations

$$\begin{cases} \Psi''(z) + (k_0^2 - \eta e^{+2k_g z})\Psi(z) = 0 & z < 0 \\ \Psi''(z) + (k_i^2 + \eta e^{-2k_g z})\Psi(z) = 0 & z > 0, \end{cases}$$

Independent solutions

$$\phi_{0,\pm}(z) = \Gamma\left(1 \pm i\frac{k_0}{k_g}\right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{\eta}}{2k_g}\right)^{\mp i\frac{k_0}{k_g}} I_{\pm i\frac{k_0}{k_g}}\left(e^{+k_g z} \frac{\sqrt{\eta}}{k_g}\right) \rightarrow e^{\pm ik_0 z} \quad (\text{as } z \rightarrow -\infty)$$

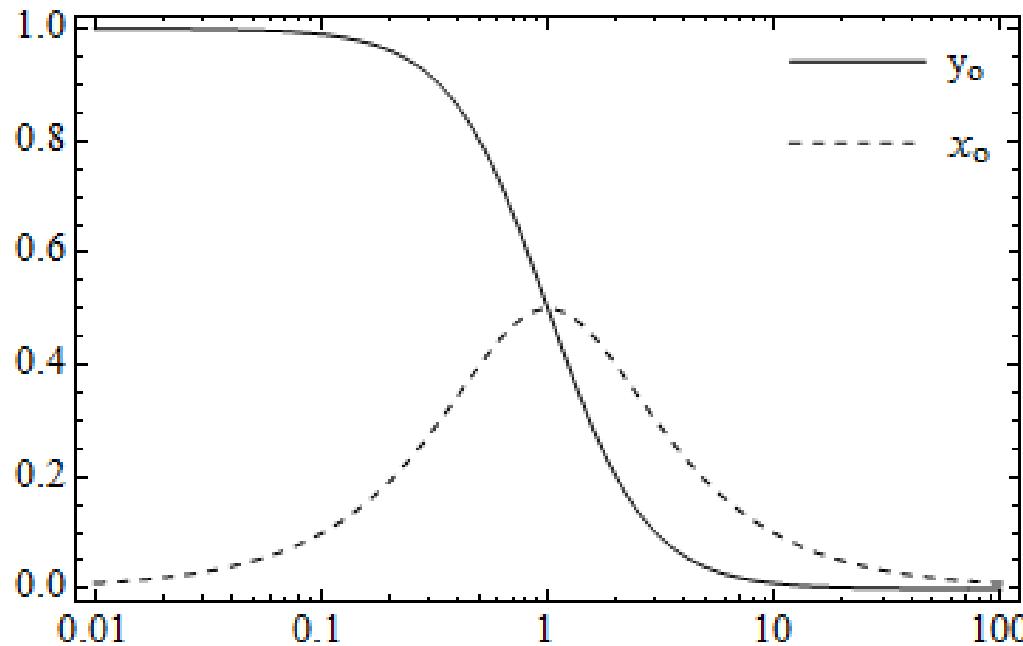
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Corrections on the boundary

$$\phi_{o,\pm}(0) \cong 1 + \theta(0)(-x_o \pm i y_o)$$

$$\left. \frac{d}{dz} \ln \phi_{o,\pm}(z) \right|_{z=0} \cong \pm i k_o + \frac{\theta'(0)}{2} (x_o \pm i y_o)$$

$$\theta(z) = \int_{-\infty}^z \left(\sqrt{k_o^2 - \eta e^{+2k_g z'}} - k_o \right) dz'$$



$$\kappa_o = k_g/k_o \simeq \lambda_{\text{neutron}}/\lambda$$

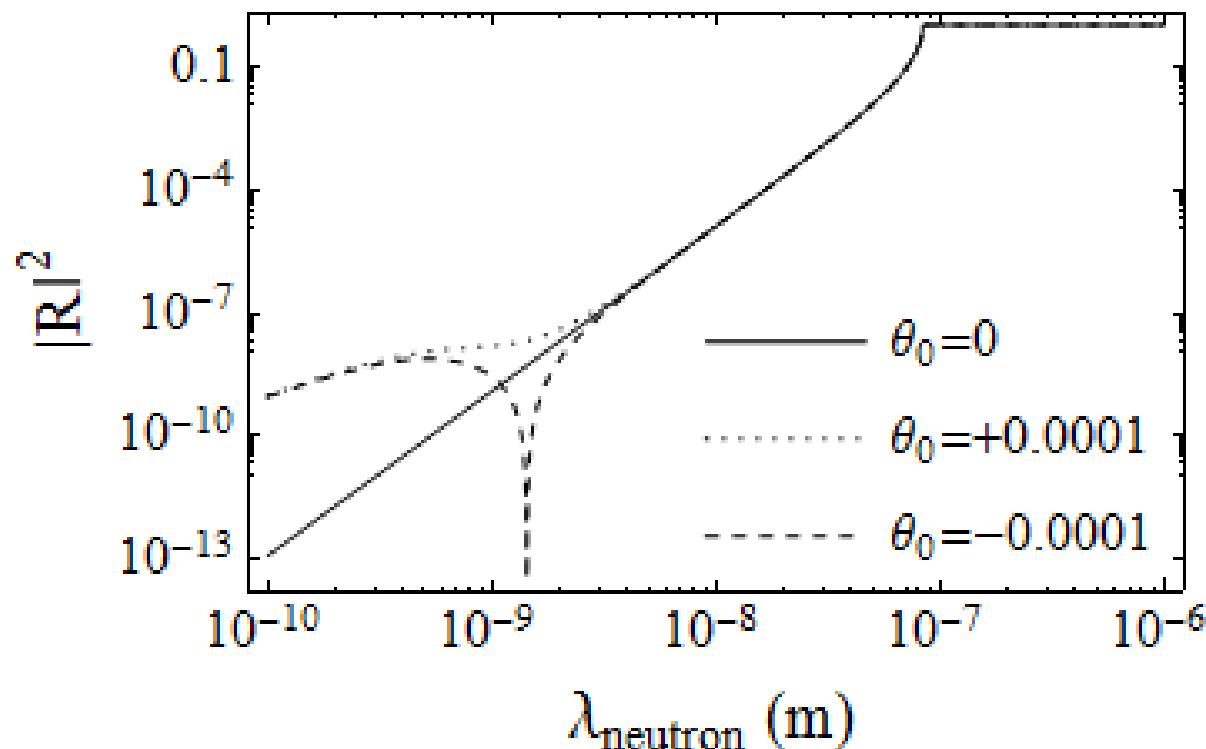
Reflection amplitude off gold

$\lambda_{\text{neutron}} \ll \lambda$

$\lambda_{\text{neutron}} \cong \lambda$

$$R \cong \frac{k_i - k_o}{k_i + k_o} + O(\theta(0)^2)$$

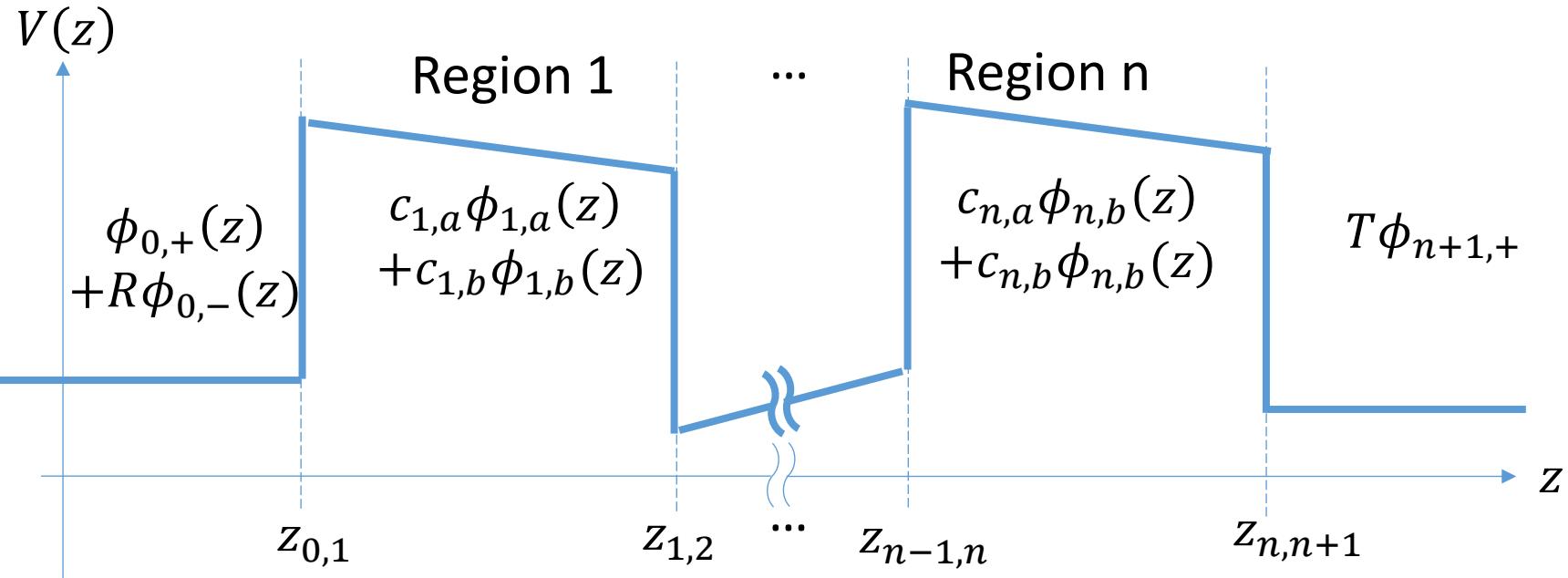
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Reflection from multiple boundaries



$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_{0,+} & \phi_{0,-} \\ \phi'_{0,+} & \phi'_{0,-} \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{z=z_{0,1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{1,a} & \phi_{1,b} \\ \phi'_{1,a} & \phi'_{1,b} \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{z=z_{0,1}} \begin{pmatrix} c_{1,a} \\ c_{1,b} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_{n,a} & \phi_{n,b} \\ \phi'_{n,a} & \phi'_{n,b} \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{z=z_{n,n+1}} \begin{pmatrix} c_{n,a} \\ c_{n,b} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{n+1,+} & \phi_{n+1,-} \\ \phi'_{n+1,+} & \phi'_{n+1,-} \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{z=z_{n,n+1}} \begin{pmatrix} T \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

General

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ ik & -ik \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ R \end{pmatrix} = F_1 \dots F_n$$

$$\times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ ik \end{pmatrix} T e^{ik(z_{n,n+1} - z_{0,1})}$$

$$F_m = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{m,a} & \phi_{m,b} \\ \phi'_{m,a} & \phi'_{m,b} \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{z=z_{m-1,m}}$$

$$\left(\begin{pmatrix} \phi_{m,a} & \phi_{m,b} \\ \phi'_{m,a} & \phi'_{m,b} \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{z=z_{m,m+1}} \right)^{-1}$$

Periodic

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ ik & -ik \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ R \end{pmatrix} = F^n$$

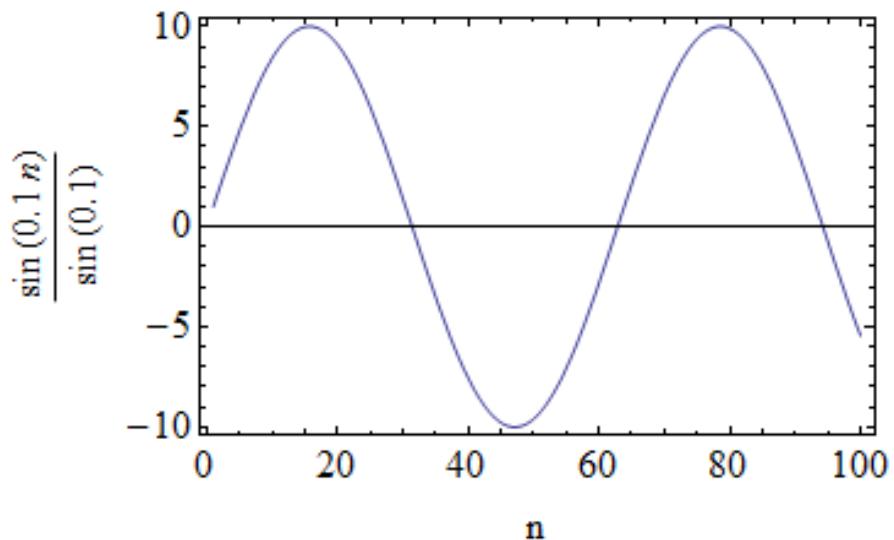
$$\times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ ik \end{pmatrix} T e^{ik(z_{n,n+1} - z_{0,1})}$$

$$F := \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & b \\ c & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

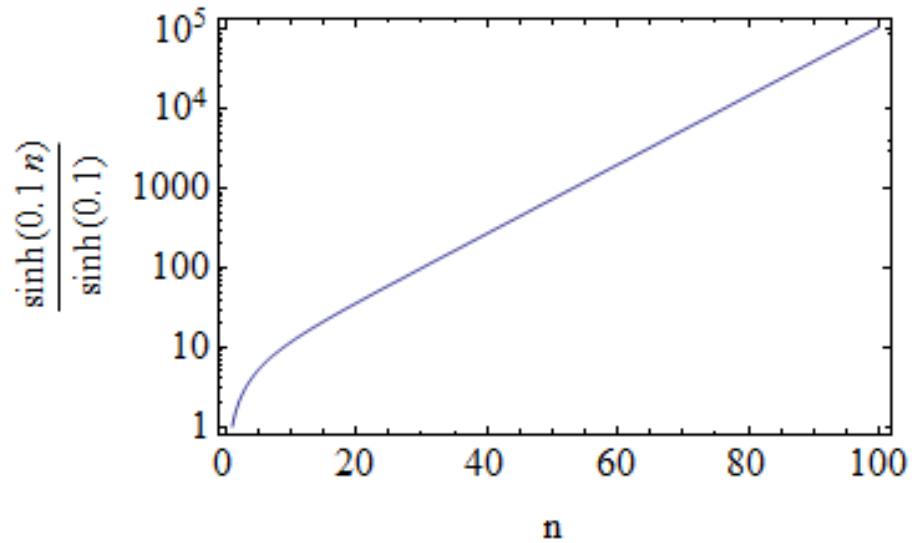
$$F^n = \begin{pmatrix} \cos n\theta & b \frac{\sin n\theta}{\sin \theta} \\ c \frac{\sin n\theta}{\sin \theta} & \cos n\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|R|^2 = \frac{\beta^2}{4 + \beta^2} \quad \beta = \left(b k + \frac{c}{k} \right) \frac{\sin(n\theta)}{\sin \theta}$$

$|\cos \theta| < 1$



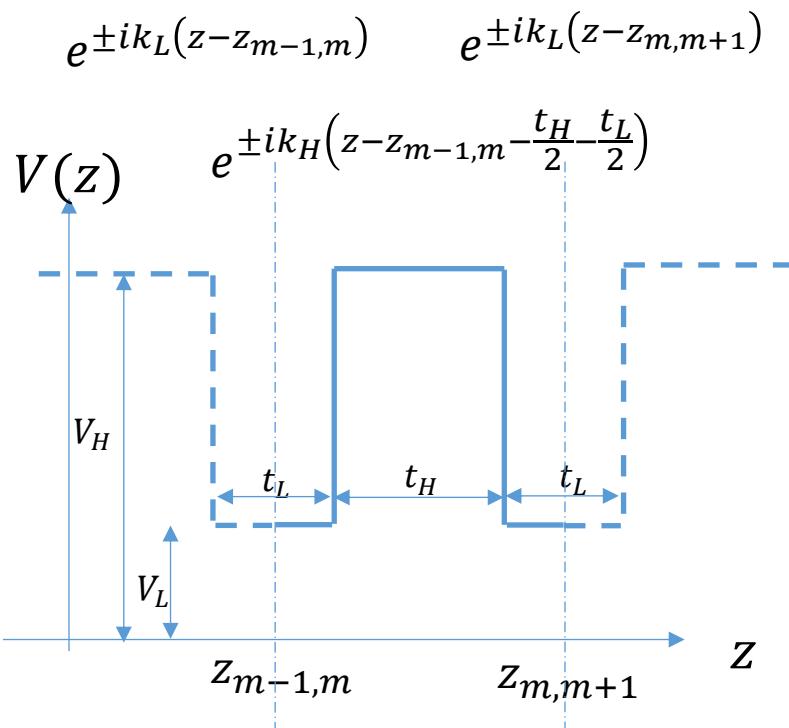
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When there is no new force

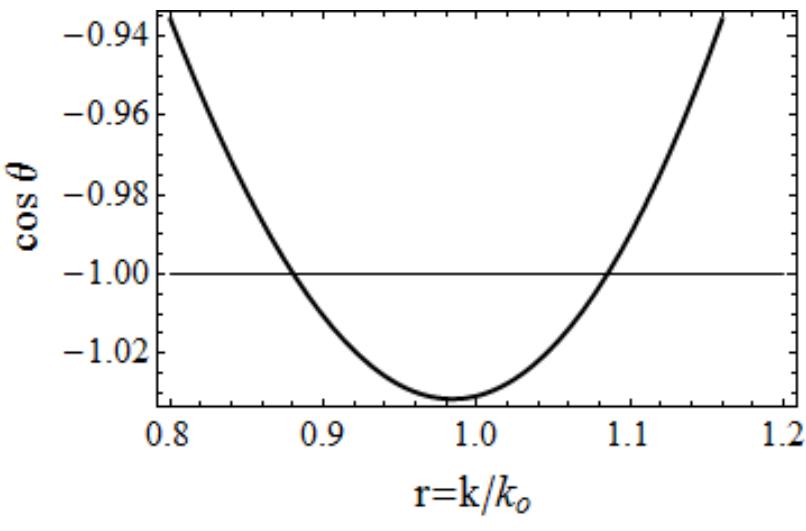


$$\begin{aligned}
 F = & \begin{pmatrix} e^{\frac{ik_L t_L}{2}} & e^{-\frac{ik_L t_L}{2}} \\ ik_L e^{\frac{ik_L t_L}{2}} & -ik_L e^{-\frac{ik_L t_L}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \\
 \times & \begin{pmatrix} e^{\frac{ik_H t_H}{2}} & e^{-\frac{ik_H t_H}{2}} \\ ik_H e^{\frac{ik_H t_H}{2}} & -ik_H e^{-\frac{ik_H t_H}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \\
 \times & \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\frac{ik_H t_H}{2}} & e^{\frac{ik_H t_H}{2}} \\ ik_H e^{-\frac{ik_H t_H}{2}} & -ik_H e^{\frac{ik_H t_H}{2}} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \\
 \times & \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\frac{ik_L t_L}{2}} & e^{\frac{ik_L t_L}{2}} \\ ik_L e^{-\frac{ik_L t_l}{2}} & -ik_L e^{\frac{ik_L t_l}{2}} \end{pmatrix}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos \theta = \cos k_L t_L \cos k_H t_H - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{k_L}{k_H} + \frac{k_H}{k_L} \right) \sin k_L t_L \sin k_H t_H$$

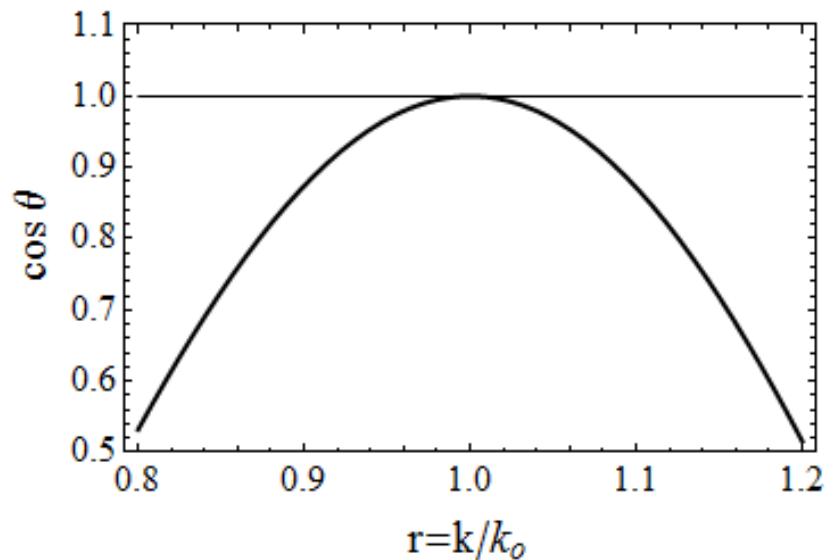
Designed to
reflect neutrons

$$k_H t_H \Big|_{k=k_0} = k_L t_L \Big|_{k=k_0} = \pi/2$$



Designed **NOT** to
reflect neutrons

$$k_H t_H \Big|_{k=k_0} = k_L t_L \Big|_{k=k_0} = \pi$$



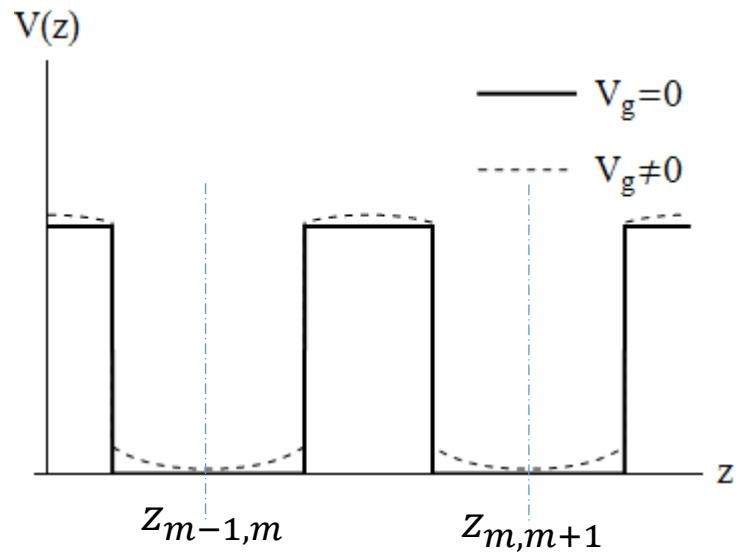
Effects of the new force

Potential for neutrons

$$\begin{cases} V_{f,L} + a_L + b_L \cosh(2k_g(z - z_{m,m+1})) & z_{m,m+1} - \frac{t_L}{2} < z < z_{m,m+1} \\ V_{f,H} + a_H + b_H \cosh(2k_g(z - (z_{m,m+1} + z_{m-1,m})/2)) & \frac{(z_{m,m+1} + z_{m-1,m})}{2} - \frac{t_H}{2} < z < \frac{(z_{m,m+1} + z_{m-1,m})}{2} + \frac{t_H}{2} \\ V_{f,L} + a_L + b_L \cosh(2k_g(z - z_{m-1,m})) & z_{m-1,m} < z < z_{m-1,m} + \frac{t_L}{2} \end{cases}$$

Schrodinger equations

$$\Psi''(z) + \left(k_X^2 - \eta_X \cosh(2k_g(z - z_X)) \right) \Psi(z) = 0$$

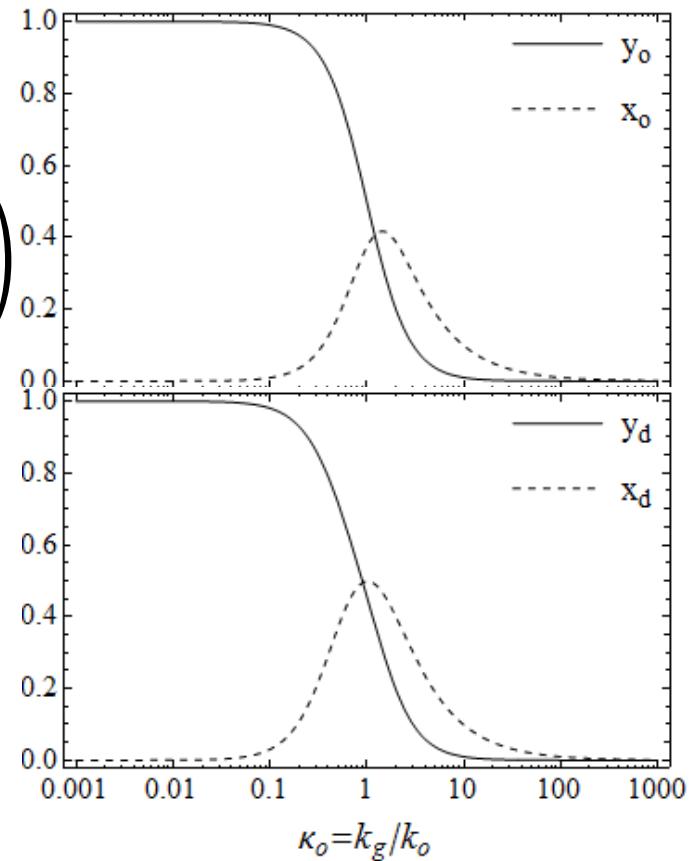


Corrections on the boundary

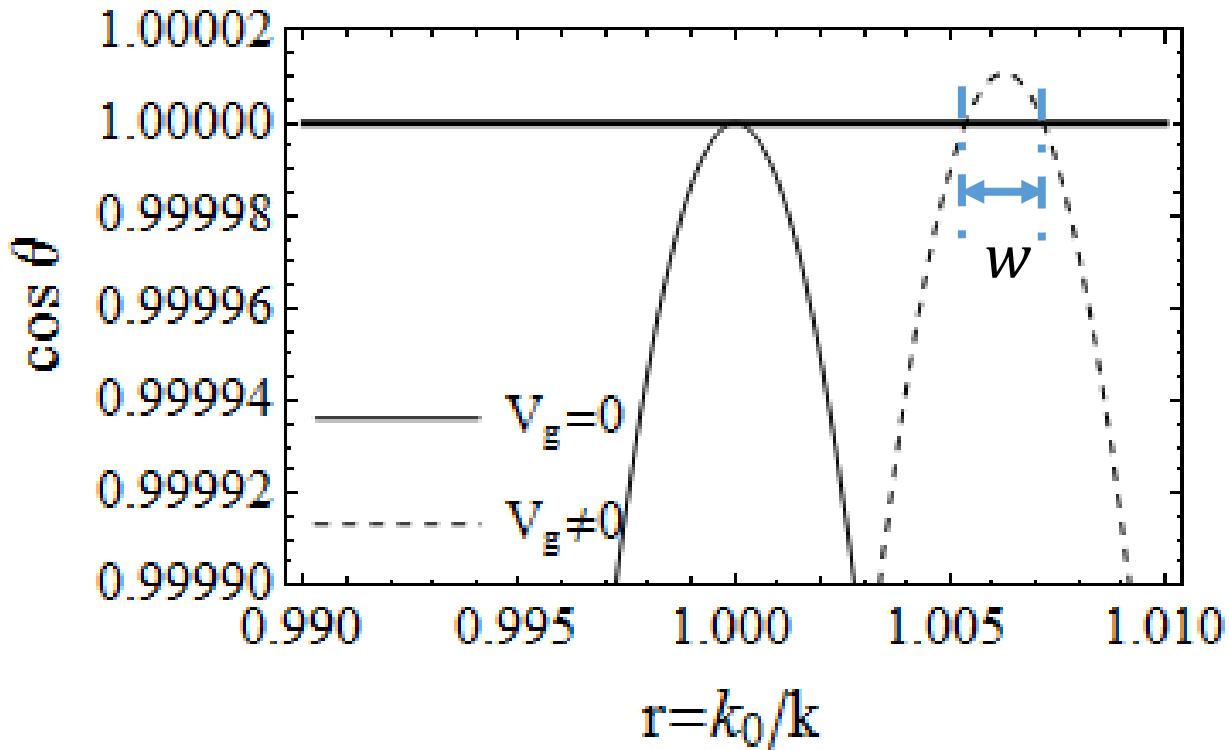
$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{X,n,\pm}(z_{X,n} + t_X/2) \\ \cong e^{\pm ik_X \frac{t_X}{2}} \left(1 - \theta_1 \left(\frac{t_X}{2} \right) (x_o \mp iy_o) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} \ln \phi_{X,n,\pm}(z) \Big|_{z=z_{X,n}+t_X/2} \\ \cong \pm ik_X - \theta'_1 \left(\frac{t_X}{2} \right) (x_d \mp iy_d) \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta_1(z) = \int_{z_X}^{z_X+z} \left(\sqrt{k_X^2 - \eta_X e^{+2k_g(z'-z_X)}} - k_X \right) dz'$$



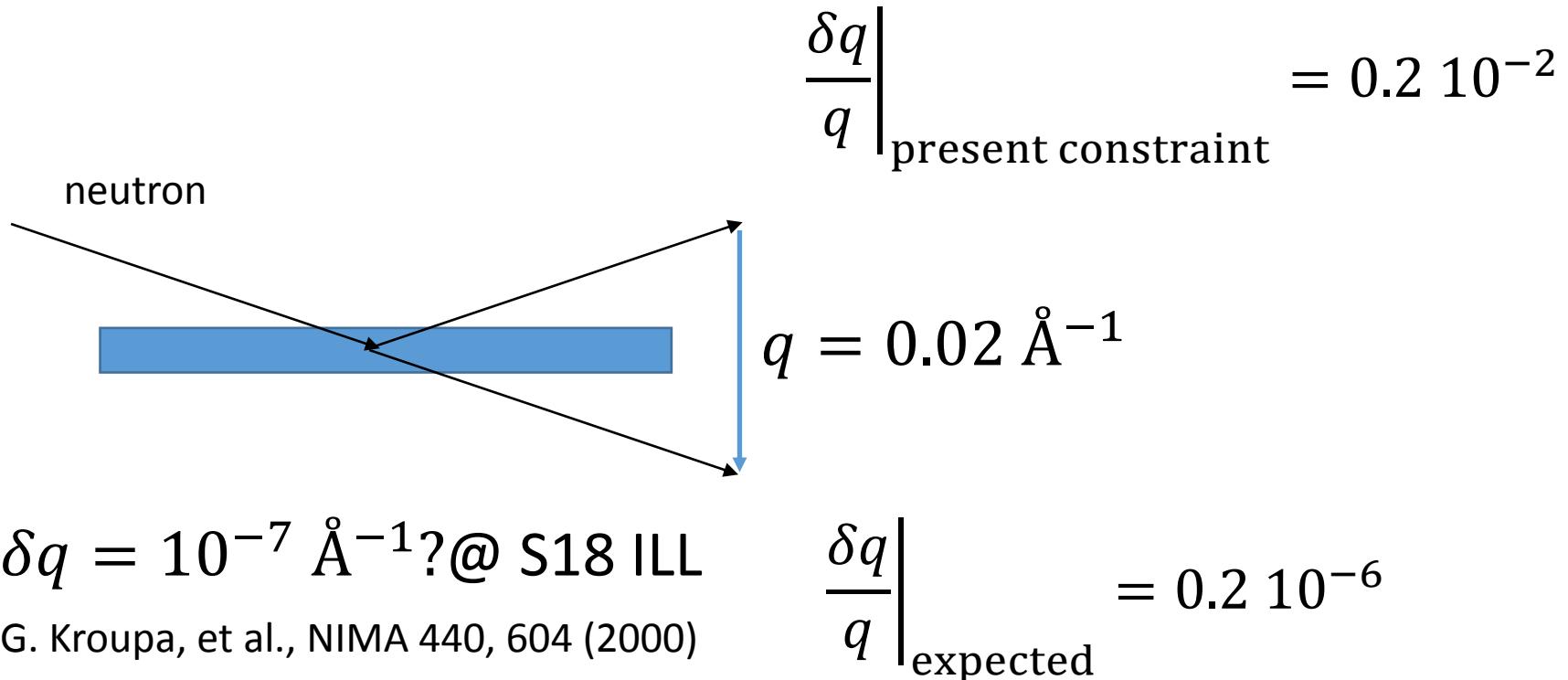
Band structure for the neutron in Pt/C



$$k_0 = 0.1 \text{ nm}^{-1}$$
$$\lambda_g = 10 \text{ nm}$$
$$\alpha_g = 10^{20}$$

$$w \simeq 0.2\%$$

Reflectivity measurement



$$\frac{\delta q}{q} \propto \alpha_g \rightarrow 10^4 \text{ times stronger constraints?}$$

Summary

- Reflection amplitude changes significantly when $\lambda_{\text{neutron}} \cong \lambda$.
- Reflection probability significantly increases in a band gap.
- Band gap due to the new force exists.
- Reflectivity measurement may provide 10^4 times stronger constraint when λ is 10 nm.

Thank you for your
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