

**PHY-851 QUANTUM MECHANICS I**

**Homework 5, 25 points**

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**One-dimensional motion.**

Reading: *Merzbacher*, Chapter 6.

1. /6/ *Merzbacher*, Problem 2, p. 111.
2. /4/ The same, as in the previous problem, but for the scattering from the barrier,  $V = V_0 > 0$  for  $0 \leq x \leq a$ .
3. /6/ *Merzbacher*. Problem 5, p. 112.
4. Consider a potential barrier  $U(x)$  which goes to zero for  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ , to the constant  $U_0 > 0$  for  $x \rightarrow \infty$  and has an arbitrary shape in between. A particle moves with energy  $E > U_0$ .
  - a. /3/ Show that the relation between the reflection and transmission coefficients,

$$R(E) + T(E) = 1, \tag{1}$$

is always valid.

- b. /6/ Show that  $R(E)$  and  $T(E)$  do not depend on the direction of incidence of the wave (from the left or from the right).