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5.73 Quiz 9

1. Grid Points  $x_{i}, x_{i+1} = x_{i} + h (h \text{ is step size, not Planck's constant})$   $\psi = \psi(x_{i})$  U(x) is potential  $\left[\frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}} - \frac{2m}{\hbar^{2}}(U(x) - E)\right]\psi = 0 \text{ is Schrödinger Equation}$  V(x) = C[U(x) - E]  $C = \frac{2m}{\hbar^{2}}$   $V_{i} = V(x_{i})$ 

A. What is the grid definition of  $\frac{d\psi}{dx}\Big|_{x=x_i}$ ?

B. What quantity has the grid definition  $h^{-2} [\psi_{i+i} - 2\psi_i + \psi_{i-1}]$ ?

C. Use  $\{\psi_i\}$ , *h*, *V<sub>i</sub>* to write the grid form of the Schrödinger Equation.

D. Suppose you are searching for values of *E* which satisfy a nonlinear equation

$$F(E)=0.$$

You know that

$$F(E_1) = a$$
  
and  
$$F(E_1 + \delta) = a + \gamma.$$

If you expand F(E) about  $E_1$ 

$$F(E) = F(E_1) + \frac{dF}{dE}\Big|_{E_1} (E - E_1)$$

then what value of *E* is your first iterative solution of  $F(E_i) = 0$ ? To solve for  $E_i$ , you need  $\frac{dF}{dE}\Big|_{E_1}$ , which you obtain from the definition of the derivative, and  $F(E_i) = 0 = F(E_1) + \frac{dF}{dE}\Big|_{E_1}(E_i - E_1)$ . MIT OpenCourseWare <u>https://ocw.mit.edu/</u>

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