

**PHYS 622****Problem set # 10** (due April 22)

Each problem is 10 points.

**A1** Consider an attractive delta-shell potential

$$V(r) = -\frac{\hbar^2\lambda}{2\mu}\delta(r - R).$$

Calculate the phase shift  $\delta_\ell(k)$ , where  $\ell$  is the angular momentum quantum number.

**A2** Find the s-wave phase shift  $\delta_0$  and the scattering amplitude  $a_S$  for the “spherical well” potential

$V(r) = -V_0$  for  $r < R$ , and  $V = 0$  for  $r > R$ . At which conditions the scattering length becomes infinite, and what is their physical significance?

**A3** Same as A2, but for the attractive delta-shell potential. You can (and should) use the results in A1.

**A4** Consider the scattering of a particle by a distribution of scattering centers. Each scatterer is located at a point  $\vec{r}_i$  and scatters with a given potential  $V_0(|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i|)$ . Write down the scattering amplitude in the Born approximation. Consider the case of cube of side  $L$  with the scatterers placed at its eight vertices, and an infinite cubic lattice of a lattice spacing  $L$ .

**Q1** The lowest excited states of the He atom have electron configuration  $(1s)^1(2s)^1$ . These include a spin singlet and a spin triplet. Which one (singlet or triplet) has the lower energy? Explain. Using single-electron wave functions  $\psi_{1s}(\mathbf{r})$  and  $\psi_{2s}(\mathbf{r})$ , write down the expression for the energy difference. (You do not have to write down the actual forms of  $\psi_{1s}(\mathbf{r})$  and  $\psi_{2s}(\mathbf{r})$ , which are of course similar to hydrogen wave functions but with  $Z = 2$ ).