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part 2

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} V_0 & (0 < x < \frac{a}{2}) \\ 0 & (\frac{a}{2} < x < a) \\ \infty & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases}$$

use WKB approximation to find allowed energies

$$\psi(x) = \frac{C(x)}{\sqrt{p(x)}} e^{\pm \frac{i}{\hbar} \int p(x) dx}$$

$$p(x) = \sqrt{2m(E - V(x))}$$

$$\int \sqrt{2m(E - V(x))} dx = \dots ?$$

or, writing the complex exponentials as trigonometric functions:

$$\psi(x) = \frac{C_3}{\sqrt{p(x)}} \sin(\phi(x)) + \frac{C_4}{\sqrt{p(x)}} \cos(\phi(x))$$

at  $x=0$  (for which  $\phi(0)=0$ ) and at  $x=a$ , boundary conditions related to the infinite potential imply that  $\psi(0) = \psi(a) = 0$

From  $\psi(0) = 0$ , it follows that  $\frac{C_4}{\sqrt{p(x)}} \cos(0) = 0$ , or  $C_4 = 0$   
Then, from  $\psi(a) = 0$ , we get

$$\psi(a) = 0 = \frac{C_3}{\sqrt{p(x)}} \sin(\phi(a))$$

$$\phi(a) = n\pi$$

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 Now, as  $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^x p(x') dx'$ , we get

$$\frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^a p(x') dx' = n\pi$$

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with positive natural number  $n$

$$\text{Now, } \int_0^a p(x) dx = \int_0^{\frac{a}{2}} p(x') dx' + \int_{\frac{a}{2}}^a p(x') dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{a}{2}} \sqrt{2mE} dx' + \int_{\frac{a}{2}}^a \sqrt{2m(E-V_0)} dx$$

$$= \sqrt{2mE} \frac{a}{2} + \sqrt{2m(E-V_0)} a - \sqrt{2m(E-V_0)} \frac{a}{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2mE} \frac{a}{2} + \sqrt{2m(E-V_0)} \frac{a}{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2m} \frac{a}{2} (\sqrt{E} + \sqrt{E-V_0})$$

$$\frac{n\pi\hbar}{\sqrt{2m} a} = \sqrt{E} + \sqrt{E-V_0}$$

Squaring both sides gives

$$\frac{4n^2\pi^2\hbar^2}{2ma^2} = E + E - V_0 + 2\sqrt{E(E-V_0)}$$

$$4E_n^0 = \frac{4(n\pi\hbar)^2}{2ma^2} = 2E - V_0 + 2\sqrt{E(E-V_0)}$$

$$4E_n^0 - 2E + V_0 = 2\sqrt{E(E-V_0)}$$

Squaring both sides again gives

$$-4EV_0 + 16(E_n^0)^2 + 4E^2 + V_0^2 - 16EE_n^0 + 4E_n^0V_0 = 4E(E-V_0)$$

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part 3

$$16(E_n^0)^2 + V_0^2 + 8E_n^0 V_0 = 4E^2 - 4EV_0 + 4EV_0 - 4E^2 + 16EE_n^0$$

$$16(E_n^0)^2 + V_0^2 + 8E_n^0 V_0 = 16EE_n^0$$

$$E = E_n^0 + \frac{1}{2}V_0 + \frac{V_0^2}{16E_n^0}$$

In perturbation theory, the result was

$$E_n = E_n^0 + \frac{V_0}{2}; \text{ the additional term } \left( \frac{V_0^2}{16E_n^0} \right) \text{ goes to zero for small } V_0 \text{ or large } n \text{ (as } E_n^0 \sim n^2 \text{)}$$