

# Quantum Mechanics in 2D & 3D

Note Title

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Electron in hydrogen roams in 3D under the potential  $U(\vec{r}) = -\frac{Ke^2}{r}$

So we need to consider TISE in 3D:

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2M} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) \psi(x, y, z) + U(x, y, z) \psi(x, y, z) = E \psi(x, y, z)$$

$$\text{or } \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) \psi(x, y, z) = \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} (U(x, y, z) - E) \psi(x, y, z)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2}$$

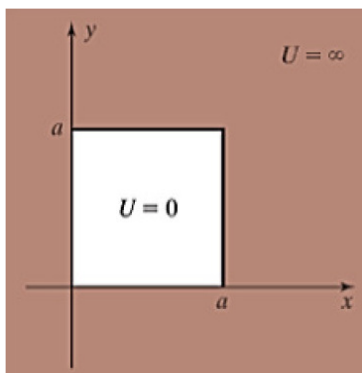
## Example 8.1

Find the three partial derivatives  $\partial\psi/\partial x$ ,  $\partial\psi/\partial y$ , and  $\partial\psi/\partial z$  for  $\psi(x, y, z) = x^2 + 2y^3z + z$ .

$$\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial x} = 2x, \quad \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial y} = 6y^2z, \quad \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial z} = 2y^3 + 1$$

TISE in 2D:

$$\frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} (U(x, y) - E) \psi(x, y)$$



The straightforward extension of the rigid box to 2D:

$$U(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{inside box } x \in (0, a) \text{ \& } y \in (0, a) \\ \infty & \text{outside} \end{cases}$$

$$0 \leq E < \infty, \quad \text{accordingly we can write } E = \frac{\hbar^2 k_x^2}{2M} + \frac{\hbar^2 k_y^2}{2M}$$

To solve for  $\frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{2M}{\hbar^2} E \psi$  inside, we will use the method of "separation of variables" which we used

to reduce TDSE to TISE.

Set  $\Psi(x, y) = X(x) Y(y)$

then.  $Y \frac{d^2 X}{dx^2} + X \frac{d^2 Y}{dy^2} = -\frac{2M}{\hbar^2} E X Y$

$\Rightarrow$  divide both sides by  $X Y$

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{d^2 X}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{d^2 Y}{dy^2} = -\frac{2M}{\hbar^2} E = \text{const indep. of } x \text{ \& } y$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{X} \frac{d^2 X}{dx^2} = -k_x^2$  &  $\frac{1}{Y} \frac{d^2 Y}{dy^2} = -k_y^2$  are constants.

[Satisfy boundary condition 0 at  $x=0, a$ ]

From 1-d case. we know that  $X(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{a}$   $n_x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$Y(y) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{a}$   $n_y = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} k_x = \frac{n_x \pi}{a} \\ k_y = \frac{n_y \pi}{a} \end{cases}$$

Eigen functions (stationary solutions) are labeled by  $n_x$  &  $n_y$ .

$\Psi_{n_x, n_y}(x, y) = \frac{2}{a} \sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{a}$  and they are properly normalized

$\int_0^a \int_0^a |\Psi_{n_x, n_y}(x, y)|^2 dx dy = 1$  easy to see that  $\Psi_{n_x, n_y}(x, y) = 0$  on wall

$$\sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{a} = \frac{1}{2i} \left( e^{i \frac{n_x \pi x}{a}} - e^{-i \frac{n_x \pi x}{a}} \right)$$

comes from adding two counter-propagating free-particle wave functions

with  $p_x = \pm \hbar \frac{n_x \pi}{a}$

$$\sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{a}$$

$\therefore y = y$

$\Rightarrow p_y = \pm \hbar \frac{n_y \pi}{a}$

$n_x$  &  $n_y$  are called quantum numbers

$$E_{n_x, n_y} = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2M} (n_x^2 + n_y^2) \equiv E_0 (n_x^2 + n_y^2), \quad E_0 \equiv \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2M}$$

- lowest energy  $n_x = n_y = 1, \quad E_{1,1} = 2E_0$

- the first excited states  $(n_x=1, n_y=2)$  or  $(n_x=2, n_y=1), \quad E_{1,2} = 5E_0$

with different

$$\begin{cases} \psi_{1,2}(x,y) = \frac{2}{a} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi y}{a} \\ \psi_{2,1}(x,y) = \frac{2}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{\pi y}{a} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$  this is called degenerate

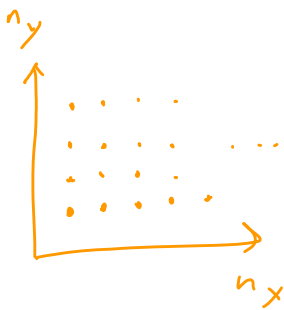
**FIGURE 8.2**

The energy levels of a particle in a two-dimensional, square rigid box. The lowest allowed energy is  $2E_0$ ; the line at  $E = 0$  is merely to show the zero of the energy scale. The degeneracies, listed on the right, refer to the number of independent wave functions with the same energy.

$n_x n_y$	$E_{n_x, n_y}$	Degeneracy
$\begin{matrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{matrix}$	$10E_0$	2
$2 \ 2$	$8E_0$	1
$\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{matrix}$	$5E_0$	2
$1 \ 1$	$2E_0$	1
	$E = 0$	

$N > 1$  independent wave functions with the same energy  $E$ .

Nondegenerate if only one w.f. has that energy.

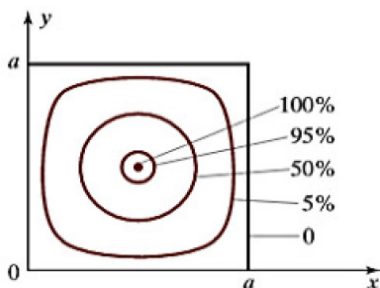


e.g.  $E_{5,5} = E_{1,9} = E_{9,1} \quad 5^2 + 5^2 = 1^2 + 9^2$

e.g.  $E_{1,8} = E_{8,1} = E_{4,7} = E_{7,4} \quad 1^2 + 8^2 = 4^2 + 7^2$

[degeneracy will have important effect on atomic structure and chemical properties.]

Contour of  $|\psi(x,y)|^2$



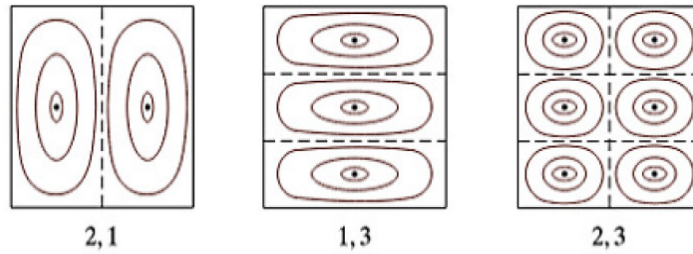
$$|\psi_{1,1}(x,y)|^2 = \left(\frac{2}{a}\right)^2 \sin^2 \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin^2 \frac{\pi y}{a}$$

**FIGURE 8.3**

Contour map of the probability density  $|\psi|^2$  for the ground state of the square box. The percentages shown give the value of  $|\psi|^2$  as a percentage of its maximum value.

**FIGURE 8.4**

Contour maps of  $|\psi|^2$  for three excited states of the square box. The two numbers under each picture are  $n_x$  and  $n_y$ . The dashed lines are nodal lines, where  $|\psi|^2$  vanishes; these occur where  $\psi$  passes through zero as it oscillates from positive to negative values.



**Example 8.2**

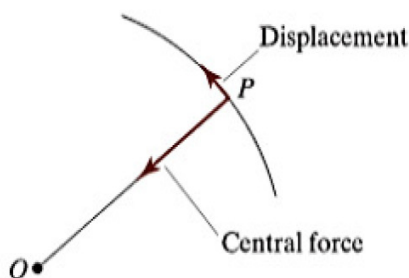
Having solved the Schrödinger equation for a particle in the two-dimensional square box, one can solve the corresponding three-dimensional problem very easily. (See Problem 8.15.) The result is that the allowed energies for a mass  $M$  in a rigid cubical box of side  $a$  have the form

$$E = E_0(n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \quad (8.32)$$

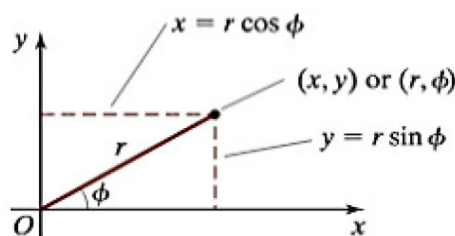
where  $E_0 = \hbar^2 \pi^2 / (2Ma^2)$  is the same energy introduced in (8.28), and the quantum numbers  $n_x, n_y, n_z$  are any three positive integers. Use this result to find the lowest five energy levels and their degeneracies for a mass  $M$  in a rigid cubical box of side  $a$ .

$(1,1,1)$  deg = 1  $E = 3E_0$   
 $(1,1,2), (1,2,1), (2,1,1)$  deg = 3  $E = 6E_0$   
 $(1,2,2), (2,1,2), (2,2,1)$  deg = 3  $E = 9E_0$   
 $(1,1,3), (1,3,1), (3,1,1)$  deg = 3  $E = 11E_0$   
 $(2,2,2)$  deg = 1  $E = 12E_0$

2D Central force problem



For a central force, the potential  $U(r)$  only depends on the radius to the origin not the angle  $\phi$ .



One can take advantage of this lack of dependence, which is a symmetry in the problem.

To exploit the symmetry one needs to use the appropriate coordinate  $(r, \phi)$  and write the wavefun as a fun of  $(r, \phi)$  instead of  $(x, y)$

The relation between the two: 
$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \phi \\ y = r \sin \phi \end{cases}$$

We need to convert  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}$  to the expression using only  $r$  &  $\phi$  which turns out to be

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2}$$

$$\left[ \text{also notice that } \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \psi + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \psi = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} (r\psi) \right]$$

So TISE becomes

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} = \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U(r) - E] \psi$$

The next step is to use separation of variables

$$\psi(r, \phi) = R(r) \Phi(\phi)$$

then

$$\Phi(\phi) \frac{d^2 R(r)}{dr^2} + \frac{\Phi(\phi)}{r} \frac{dR(r)}{dr} + \frac{1}{r^2} R(r) \frac{d^2 \Phi}{d\phi^2} = \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U(r) - E] R(r) \Phi(\phi)$$

$\Rightarrow$  divide both sides by  $\Phi R$  and multiply by  $r^2$

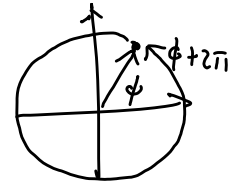
$$r^2 \left( \frac{R''(r)}{R(r)} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{R'(r)}{R(r)} \right) + \frac{\Phi''(\phi)}{\Phi} = \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} r^2 (U(r) - E)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \underbrace{\frac{\Phi''(\phi)}{\Phi}}_{\text{function of } \phi} = \underbrace{- r^2 \left( \frac{R''(r)}{R(r)} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{R'(r)}{R(r)} \right) + \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} r^2 (U(r) - E)}_{\text{function of } r} \Rightarrow \text{constant indep of } (r, \phi) \Rightarrow -m^2$$

$\Phi''(\phi) = -m^2 \Phi(\phi)$  [ we have seen this  $\Psi''(x) = -k^2 \Psi(x)$  ]

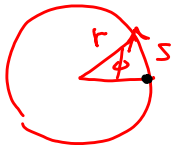
↳ solutions  $\Phi(\phi) = e^{\pm im\phi}$  (if we allow  $m$  to be either + or - we can take  $e^{im\phi}$ )  
 take  $\Rightarrow e^{im\phi}$

Since  $\phi \rightarrow \phi + 2\pi \Rightarrow$  same location



require  $\Psi(r, \phi) = \Psi(r, \phi + 2\pi)$

so  $e^{im\phi} = e^{im\phi + im2\pi} \Rightarrow e^{i2m\pi} = 1 \Rightarrow m$  integer  $= 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$



$\phi = \frac{s}{r}$   
 $s$ : measured arc distance from  $x$  axis

this is quantization of angular momentum

$\Rightarrow e^{im\phi} = e^{i \frac{m}{r} s} \Leftrightarrow e^{ik \cdot x}$  (linear momentum,  $p = \hbar k$ )  
 momentum  $P_\phi$  [along arc]  $= \frac{\hbar m}{r}$ , angular mom.  $L_z \equiv r P_\phi = \hbar m$   
 quantized in unit of  $\hbar$ !

The other part is

$\frac{r^2 R'' + r R'}{R} - \frac{2Mr^2}{\hbar^2} (U(r) - E) = m^2$

$\Rightarrow R'' + \frac{R'}{r} - \left[ \frac{m^2}{r^2} + \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} (U(r) - E) \right] R = 0$  [quantum #]

energy has a label  $m$

For this part we need to require  $R(r) \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow$  This will give us quantization of energy  $\Rightarrow$  another quantum #

Say  $n$

$\Rightarrow E_{n,m}$

Since the above equation depends on  $m^2$ ,

we expect  $E_{n,-m} = E_{n,m}$

Also we expect excited states will have nodes in  $R(r)$ !

To go one step more we have  $R'' + \frac{R'}{r} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2(rR)}{dr^2}$

$$\text{So } \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) - \left[ \frac{m^2}{r^2} + \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} (U(r)) - E \right] (rR) = 0$$

Comparing to 1d:  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \psi - \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} (V(x) - E) \psi = 0$

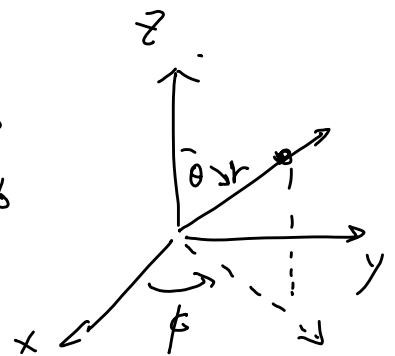
We can identify  $\begin{cases} \psi(x) \longleftrightarrow rR(r) \\ V(x) \longleftrightarrow U(r) + \frac{\hbar^2 m^2}{2M r^2} \end{cases}$

But this is as far as we can go in this course.

With the above preparation, we will now discuss 3D central-force problem.

① we need coordinate change:

$$\begin{cases} x = r \sin\theta \cos\phi \\ y = r \sin\theta \sin\phi \\ z = r \cos\theta \end{cases}$$



②  $\nabla^2 \psi$  is more complicated

$$\nabla^2 \psi \equiv \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} (r\psi) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin\theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2\theta} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 \psi(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U(r) - E] \psi$$

Next step: separation of variable  $\psi(r, \theta, \phi) = R(r) \Theta(\theta) \Phi(\phi)$

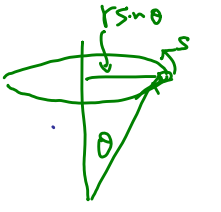
Compared to 2D case we have one more variable  $\theta$ .

Plug  $\psi = R \Theta \Phi$  in TISE

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR(r)) \Theta \Phi + \frac{R}{r^2} \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin\theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) \Phi + \frac{R}{r^2} \frac{\Theta}{\sin^2\theta} \frac{d^2 \Phi}{d\phi^2}$$

$$= \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U(r) - E] R \Theta \Phi$$

① divide both sides by  $\frac{R}{r^2} \Theta \Phi$  to isolate  $\frac{d^2 \Phi}{d\phi^2} \frac{1}{\Phi}$



$\frac{r}{R} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) \sin^2 \theta + \frac{\sin \theta}{\Theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\Phi} \frac{d^2 \Phi}{d\phi^2} = \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U - E] r^2 \sin^2 \theta$

$e^{im\phi} = e^{im \frac{s}{r \sin \theta}}$   
 $p_\phi = \frac{\hbar m}{r \sin \theta}$   $L_z = r \sin \theta p_\phi = m \hbar$   
 quantization of  $L_z$  angular momentum  $\Leftrightarrow m$  integer

$\frac{1}{\Phi} \frac{d^2 \Phi}{d\phi^2} = -m^2$  (just like before)

$\Rightarrow$  function of  $\phi$  only = function of  $r$  &  $\theta$

② next is to replace  $\frac{1}{\Phi} \frac{d^2 \Phi}{d\phi^2}$  by  $-m^2$

$$\frac{r}{R} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) \sin^2 \theta + \frac{\sin \theta}{\Theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) - m^2 = \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U - E] r^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$\theta$  &  $r$   $\nearrow$   $\theta$   $\nearrow$   $\theta$  &  $r$

try to separate  $\theta$  &  $r \Rightarrow$  divide both sides by  $\sin^2 \theta$

$$\underbrace{\frac{r}{R} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR)}_{\text{fun of } r} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sin \theta \Theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) - \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta}}_{\text{fun of } \theta} = \underbrace{\frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U(r) - E] r^2}_{\text{fun of } r}$$

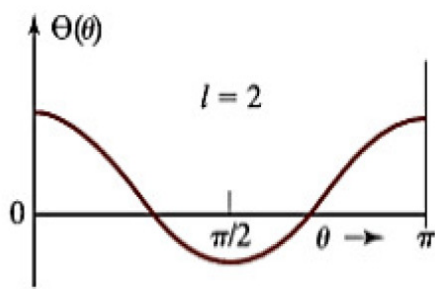
$\Rightarrow$  must be a const.  $\equiv -l(l+1)$  [ $l$  is real & arbitrary @ this point]

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) - \sin \theta \left( \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta} - l(l+1) \right) \Theta = 0$$

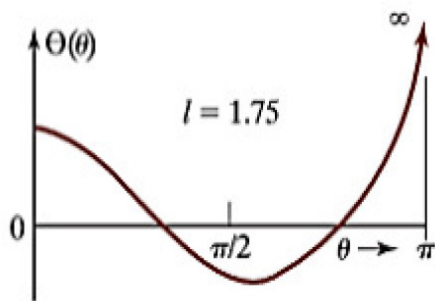
$$\frac{r}{R} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) - l(l+1) - \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U(r) - E] r^2 = 0$$

Note that solutions for  $\Phi(\phi)$  &  $\Theta(\theta)$  is independent of  $U(r)$ .





(a)



(b)

For  $\Theta(\theta)$  part, it turns out not all  $l$ 's give solutions that are finite between  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$

In order for  $\Theta(\theta)$  to be finite,  $l$  is restricted to non-negative integers

such that  $l \geq |m|$

(or  $m = -l, -l+1, \dots, l-1, l$ )

and we label the solution by  $\Theta_{lm}(\theta)$

Since the radial equation depends on  $l$  and valid solutions lead to quantization of energy (that depends on  $l \Rightarrow E_{n,l}$ )

and radial w.f.  $R_{nl}(r)$

↑ ↑  
labels fixed  
quantized energy

Full  $\Rightarrow$  Solution  $\Psi_{nlm}(r, \theta, \phi) = R_{nl}(r) \Theta_{lm}(\theta) e^{im\phi}$

Angular momentum is a vector  $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$

We have seen  $L_z$  is quantized  $L_z = m\hbar$ , it turns out that

the magnitude of  $L$  is not  $l$  but  $L = \sqrt{l(l+1)} \hbar$ ,  $l=0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$   
&  $m = -l, -l+1, \dots, l-1, l$  ( $l$  is a quantum #)

(large  $l \Rightarrow L \approx l\hbar$ )

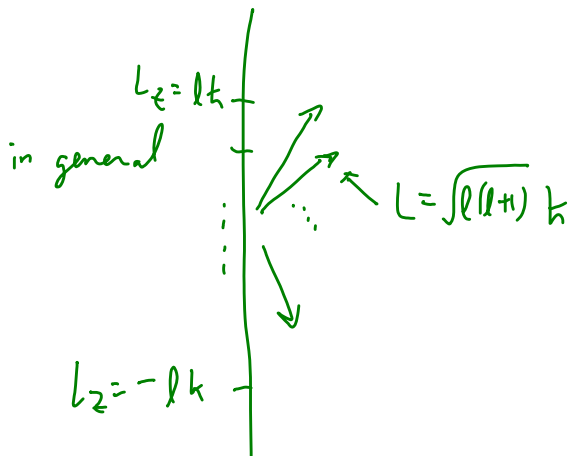
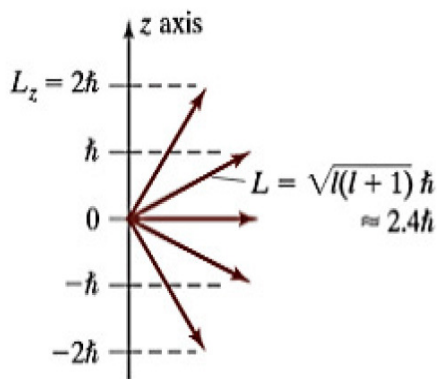
Quantum number, $l$ :	0	1	2	3	4	...	$l$
Magnitude:	0	$\sqrt{2}\hbar$	$\sqrt{6}\hbar$	$\sqrt{12}\hbar$	$\sqrt{20}\hbar$	...	$\sqrt{l(l+1)} \hbar$

compatible  $m$ 's: 0    -1, 0, 1    -2, -1, 0, 1, 2    -3, -2, ..., 3

degeneracy  
(for fixed  $n$  &  $l$ )

1    3    5    7    8     $2l+1$

# Vector model



## Example 8.3

Write down the  $\theta$  equation (8.53) for the cases that  $l = 0$  and that  $l = 1$ ,  $m = 0$ . Find the angular functions  $\Theta_{lm}(\theta)e^{im\phi}$  explicitly for these two cases.

$m = 0$ ,

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin\theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) + \sin\theta (l(l+1)) \Theta = 0$$

$l = 0$ ,

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin\theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) = 0 \quad \sin\theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} = \text{const} \quad \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} = \frac{c_1}{\sin\theta} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \Theta = \int \frac{c_1}{\sin\theta} d\theta$$

$$= c_1 \ln \left| \frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \right| + c_2$$

But if  $c_1 \neq 0$ , then as  $\theta \rightarrow 0, \pi$

$$\Theta \rightarrow \infty$$

So we need to have  $c_1 = 0$  i.e.  $\Theta = \text{const}$ .

usually we take  $\Theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}}$

$$l = 1. \quad \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin\theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) + 2 \sin\theta \Theta = 0$$

By inspection  $\Theta = \cos\theta$  is a solution

The other solution is harder to find, and it diverges at  $\theta = \pi$ .

$$\frac{2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} d \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{2 \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}} = \frac{dt}{t(1-t^2)} = dt \frac{1}{t(1-t)(1+t)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{t} \left( \frac{1}{1-t} + \frac{1}{1+t} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{1-t} + \frac{1}{1+t} \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{t^2}{1-t^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

The complete solution  $\Theta_{lm}(\theta) e^{im\phi} = Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$  is the special function called the spherical harmonics.  $\Theta_{lm}(\theta)$  is the associated Legendre polynomial. Like the SHO case we can only list a few solutions:

**TABLE 8.1**

The first few angular functions  $\Theta_{l,m}(\theta)$ . The functions with  $m$  negative are given by  $\Theta_{l,-m} = (-1)^m \Theta_{l,m}$ .

	$l = 0$	$l = 1$	$l = 2$
$m = 0$	$\sqrt{1/4\pi}$	$\sqrt{3/4\pi} \cos \theta$	$\sqrt{5/16\pi} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1)$
$m = 1$		$-\sqrt{3/8\pi} \sin \theta$	$-\sqrt{15/8\pi} \sin \theta \cos \theta$
$m = 2$			$\sqrt{15/32\pi} \sin^2 \theta$

Energy levels of hydrogen atoms: to solve for these we need to use

$$U(r) = -\frac{ke^2}{r} \text{ for the radial equation:}$$

$$\frac{r}{R} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) - l(l+1) - \frac{2M}{\hbar^2} [U(r) - E] r^2 = 0 \quad M = m_e \text{ (electron's mass)}$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) - \left[ \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} - \frac{2m_e}{\hbar^2} \left( \frac{ke^2}{r} + E \right) \right] R = 0 \quad \left( \text{more precisely } M = \frac{m_e m_p}{m_p + m_e} \right)$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) = \frac{2m_e}{\hbar^2} \left( -E - \frac{ke^2}{r} + \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{2m_e r^2} \right) (rR)$$

We can only quote the solutions here. The energy levels are quantized (labeled by  $n$  only & is independent of  $l$ !)

$$E_n = -\frac{m_e (ke^2)^2}{2\hbar^2} \frac{1}{n^2} = -\frac{E_R}{n^2} \quad E_R \approx 13.6 \text{ eV exactly, what Bohr had.}$$

Integer  $n$  is called the principal quantum number  $n > l$

This means for a given  $n$ :  $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$  &  $m = \underbrace{-l, -(l-1), \dots, l}_{2l+1}$

The degeneracy is  $\sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (2l+1) = n^2$

Wavefun  $\Psi_{nlm}(r, \theta, \phi) = R_{nl}(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$

### Bohr hydrogen atom model

Total energy is  $E = \frac{1}{2} m_e v^2 - \frac{k e^2}{r}$  but  $m_e \frac{v^2}{r} = \frac{k e^2}{r^2} \Rightarrow m_e v^2 = \frac{k e^2}{r}$   
 $= -\frac{k e^2}{2r} = -\frac{1}{2} m_e v^2$

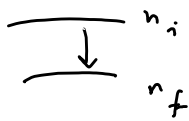
Bohr assumed " $L$ " is quantized " $L$ "  $L = m_e v r = n \hbar$

$$v = \frac{n \hbar}{m_e r} \Rightarrow m_e \left( \frac{n \hbar}{m_e r} \right)^2 = -\frac{k e^2}{r} \quad \frac{n^2 \hbar^2}{m_e r_n} = k e^2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{r_n} = \frac{m_e k e^2}{\hbar^2 n^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_n = -\frac{k e^2}{2 r_n} = -\frac{m_e (k e^2)^2}{2 \hbar^2 n^2} \quad a_B = \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e k e^2} \text{ Bohr radius} = \frac{1}{n^2 a_0}$$

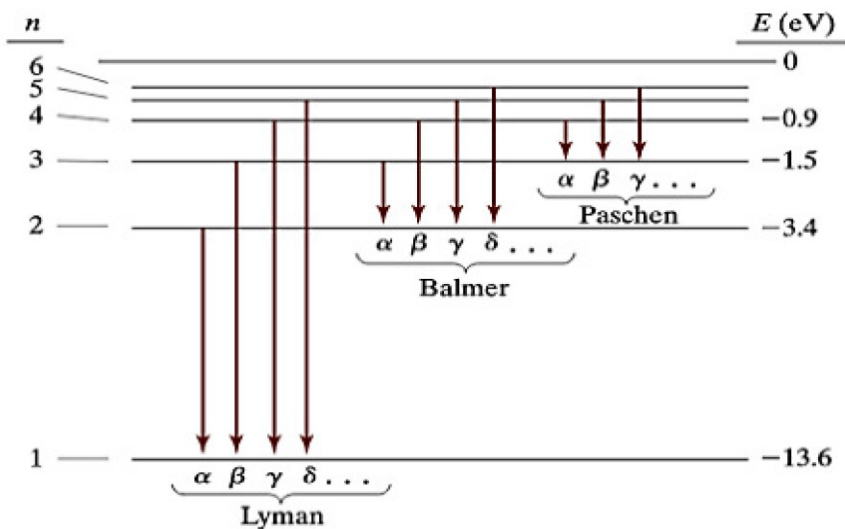
Some the wrong angular momentum quantization leads to correct energy spectrum!! [" $n$ " has nothing to do with " $L$ "!!]

$0.0529 \text{ nm}$



$$h f = E_{n_i} - E_{n_f} = E_R \left( \frac{1}{n_f^2} - \frac{1}{n_i^2} \right)$$

photon emitted as the electron jumps from  $n_i$  to  $n_f$



Energy level diagram : this illustrates a few energy levels

Quantum number $l$ :	0	1	2	3	
Magnitude $L$ :	0	$\sqrt{2}\hbar$	$\sqrt{6}\hbar$	$\sqrt{12}\hbar$	
Code letter:	$s$	$p$	$d$	$f$	
$E = 0$					
Energy ↑	$E_4 = -E_R/16$	$\frac{4s}{(1)}$	$\frac{4p}{(3)}$	$\frac{4d}{(5)}$	$\frac{4f}{(7)}$
	$E_3 = -E_R/9$	$\frac{3s}{(1)}$	$\frac{3p}{(3)}$	$\frac{3d}{(5)}$	
	$E_2 = -E_R/4$ $= -3.4 \text{ eV}$	$\frac{2s}{(1)}$	$\frac{2p}{(3)}$		
	$E_1 = -E_R$ $= -13.6 \text{ eV}$	$\frac{1s}{(1)}$			

$s, p, d,$  and  $f$  stood for *sharp, principal, diffuse, and fundamental.*

What do these wave functions look like?

The ground state has  $n=1, l=0$  &  $m=0$  so the radial equation is

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) = \frac{2me}{\hbar^2} \left[ -\frac{ke^2}{r} + \frac{E_R}{n^2} \right] (rR) \quad (\text{let's keep } n)$$

$$a_B = \frac{\hbar^2}{meke^2} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) = \left( \frac{1}{n^2 a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B r} \right) (rR)$$

For  $n=1$ , we can verify that

1s wavefunction:  $R_{1s}(r) = A e^{-r/a_B}$  is a solution

Prob 8.39.

Omit  $A$ :

$$\text{l.h.s.} : \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) = 2R' + rR''$$

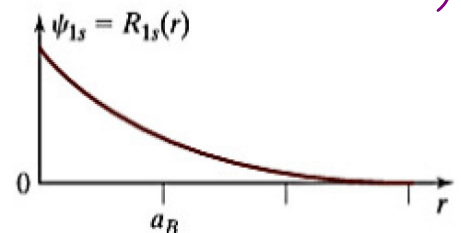
$$R' = -\frac{1}{a_B} e^{-r/a_B} ; R'' = \frac{1}{a_B^2} e^{-r/a_B}$$

$$\text{l.h.s.} = \left( -\frac{2}{a_B} + \frac{r}{a_B^2} \right) e^{-r/a_B}$$

$$\text{r.h.s.} = \left( \frac{1}{a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B r} \right) \cdot r e^{-r/a_B} = \text{l.h.s.}$$

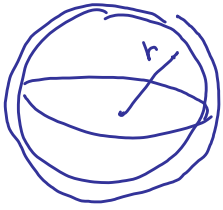
$|\psi|^2$  maximum @  $r=0$

(a property for all  $s$  orbitals)



\* But for  $l \neq 0, |\psi(r=0)|^2 = 0$

But at radius  $r$ , the area is  $4\pi r^2$  for the surface of a sphere

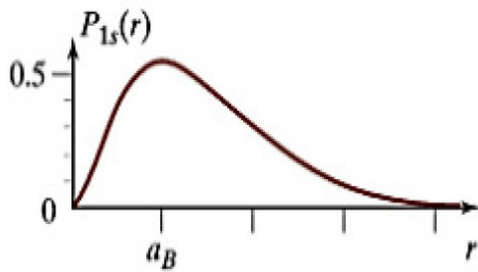


the probability of finding  $e^-$  in the thin shell between  $r$  &  $r+dr$

$$\text{is } P(r) dr = |\psi(r)|^2 4\pi r^2 dr$$

↑  
radial probability density

$$P_{1s}(r) = A^2 4\pi r^2 e^{-2r/a_B}$$



Q: where is  $P_{1s}(r)$  peaked?

To find this, consider  $\frac{dP_{1s}(r)}{dr} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dr} (r^2 e^{-2r/a_B}) = 0 \quad 2r e^{-2r/a_B} - 2 \frac{r^2}{a_B} e^{-2r/a_B} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r_{\text{peak}} = a_B$$

### Example 8.4

Find the constant  $A$  in the  $1s$  wave function  $R_{1s} = Ae^{-r/a_B}$  and the expectation value of the potential energy for the ground state of hydrogen.

① Use normalization

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \int_0^\infty P_{1s}(r) dr = A^2 4\pi \int_0^\infty r^2 e^{-2r/a_B} dr \\ &= 4\pi A^2 a_B \int_0^\infty r e^{-2r/a_B} dr \\ &= 4\pi A^2 \frac{a_B^2}{2} \int_0^\infty e^{-2r/a_B} dr = 4\pi A^2 \frac{a_B^2}{2} \cdot \frac{a_B}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } A^2 = \frac{1}{\pi a_B^3} \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a_B^3}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle U \rangle &= A^2 4\pi \int_0^\infty U(r) r^2 e^{-\frac{2r}{a_B}} dr & U(r) &= -\frac{ke^2}{r} \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{\pi a_B^3} (-ke^2) \int_0^\infty r e^{-\frac{2r}{a_B}} dr & &= -\frac{4ke^2}{a_B^3} \cdot \frac{a_B^2}{4} = -\frac{ke^2}{a_B} \end{aligned}$$

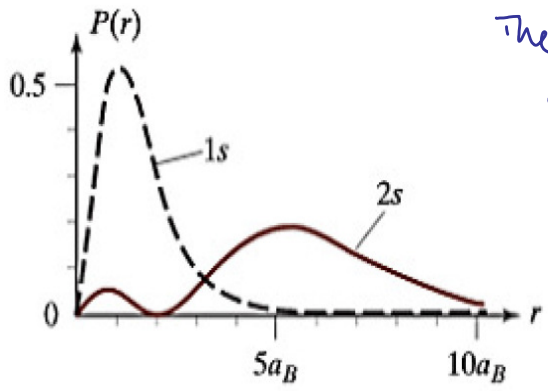
The 2s wave function:  $(E_{2s} = -\frac{E_R}{4})$

$$\psi_{2s}(r, \theta, \phi) = R_{2s}(r) = A \left( 2 - \frac{r}{a_B} \right) e^{-r/2a_B}$$

[Can verify that this satisfies the radial eq. with  $n=2$ .]

**FIGURE 8.19**

The radial distribution  $P(r)$  for the 2s state (solid curve). The most probable radius is  $r \approx 5.2a_B$ , with a small secondary maximum at  $r \approx 0.76a_B$ . For comparison, the dashed curve shows the 1s distribution on the same scale. (Vertical axis in units of  $1/a_B$ .)



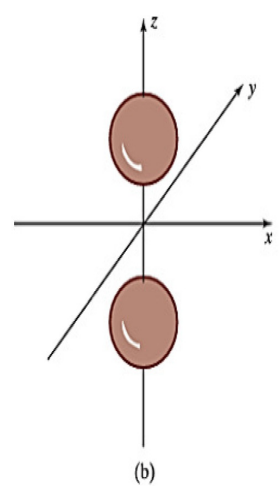
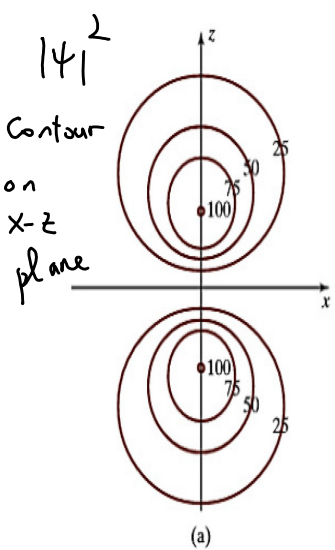
The radial probability density is  $P_{2s}(r) = A_{2s}^2 \left( 2 - \frac{r}{a_B} \right)^2 e^{-r/a_B} \times 4\pi r^2$

The 2p wave functions

$$\Psi_{2,1,0}(r, \theta, \phi) = R_{2p}(r) \cos\theta = A_{2p} e^{-r/2a_B} z$$

$$R_{2p}(r) = A_{2p} r e^{-r/2a_B}$$

$|\psi|^2 = 0$  at  $r=0$ .



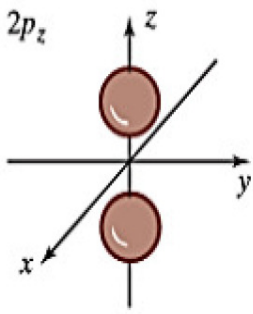
We also have  $2, 1, \pm 1$ , but they are not  $P_x$  &  $P_y$  orbitals but their linear combinations.

To get  $P_x$  &  $P_y$  we simply set

$$z \rightarrow x \quad \& \quad z \rightarrow y$$

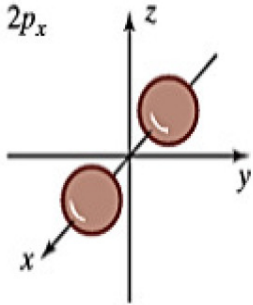
$$\Psi_{P_x} = A_{2p} e^{-r/2a_B} x \quad ; \quad \Psi_{P_y} = A_{2p} e^{-r/2a_B} y$$





$|\psi_{2p_z}|^2$  is largest on z-axis at  $z = \pm 2a_B$   
and zero in the x-y plane.

Probability of finding  $e^-$  at a certain distance  $r$  from origin

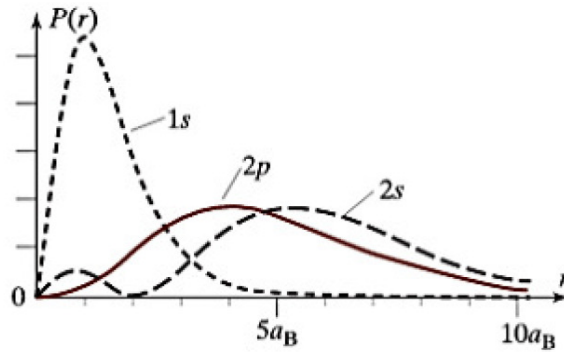
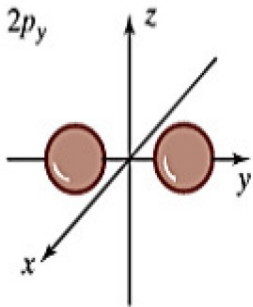


$$P([r, r+dr]) = P(r) dr$$

$$P(r) dr = 4\pi r^2 \int |\psi(r, \theta, \phi)|^2 \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi} \quad \Omega \text{ is the solid angle}$$

It is found that

$$P_{2p}(r) = 4\pi r^2 |R_{2p}(r)|^2 = 4\pi A^2 r^4 e^{-r/a_B}$$



The wave function for general state with quantum #  $n, l, m$  is

$$\psi_{nlm}(r, \theta, \phi) = R_{nl}(r) \Theta_{lm}(\theta) e^{im\phi}$$

**TABLE 8.2**

The first few radial functions  $R_{nl}(r)$  for the hydrogen atom. The variable  $\rho$  is an abbreviation for  $\rho = r/a_B$  and  $a$  stands for  $a_B$ .

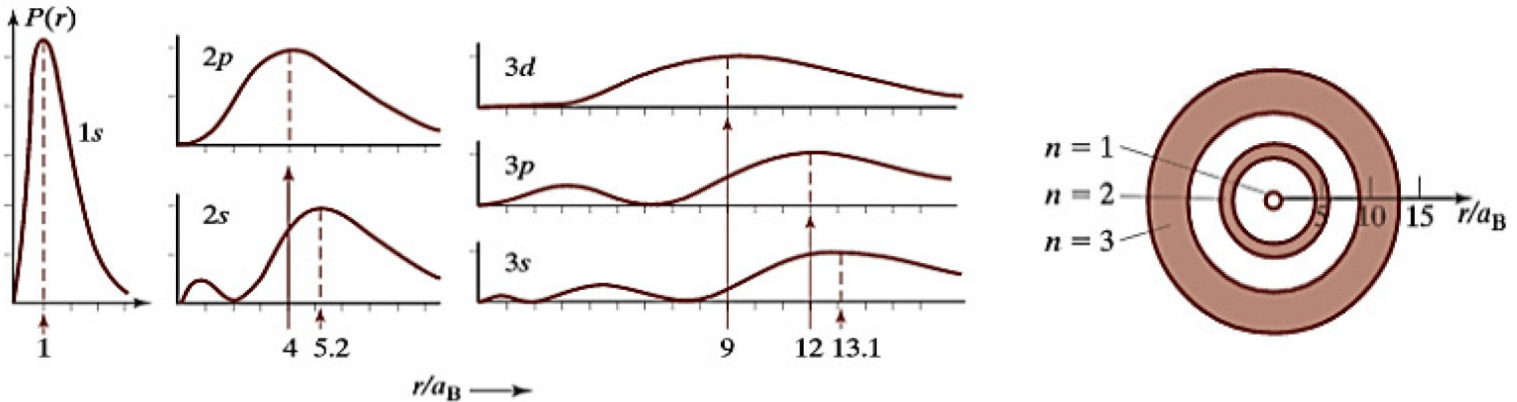
	$n = 1$	$n = 2$	$n = 3$
$l = 0$	$\frac{2}{\sqrt{a^3}} e^{-\rho}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2a^3}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\rho\right) e^{-\rho/2}$	$\frac{2}{\sqrt{27a^3}} \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\rho + \frac{2}{27}\rho^2\right) e^{-\rho/3}$
$l = 1$		$\frac{1}{\sqrt{24a^3}} \rho e^{-\rho/2}$	$\frac{8}{27\sqrt{6a^3}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{6}\rho\right) \rho e^{-\rho/3}$
$l = 2$			$\frac{4}{81\sqrt{30a^3}} \rho^2 e^{-\rho/3}$



# Shells

Most probable radius for 1s state of hydrogen atom is  $r = a_B$

- 2s :  $r = 5.2 a_B$
- 2p :  $r = 4 a_B$
- 3s :  $13.1 a_B$
- 3p :  $12 a_B$
- 3d :  $9 a_B$



If we consider how the most probable radii for states, they are close to  $n^2 a_B$  (but not exact) (what Bohr concluded) for the radii

Thus we can refer to the structure of hydrogen energy levels to be shells. They are important e.g. for chemistry. [can characterize using energy or spatial distribution.]

## Hydrogen-like Ions [also 5.8]

With the solutions of hydrogen atom, we can easily extend and apply them to hydrogen-like ions with  $U(r) = -\frac{Zke^2}{r}$

① Angular part remains the same

energy:

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \bar{E} = -\frac{m_e (ke^2)^2}{2\hbar^2} \frac{1}{n^2} = -\frac{\bar{E}_R}{n^2} \quad \xrightarrow{ke^2 \rightarrow Zke^2} \quad E = -\frac{m_e (Zke^2)^2}{2\hbar^2} \frac{1}{n^2} = -Z^2 \frac{\bar{E}_R}{n^2}$$

③ spatial extent of wave functions:

$$\frac{\hbar^2}{m_e ke^2} = a_B \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e Zke^2} = \frac{a_B}{Z} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{pull inward by a factor } \frac{1}{Z}$$

8.10 •• Consider a particle in a rigid rectangular box with sides  $a$  and  $b = a/2$ . Using the result (8.102) (Problem 8.9), find the lowest six energy levels with their quantum numbers and degeneracies.

$$E_{n_x, n_y} = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2M a^2} (n_x^2 + 4n_y^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_{1,1} &= 5E_0 & E_{3,2} &= 25E_0 \\ E_{2,1} &= 8E_0 & E_{5,1} &= 29E_0 \\ E_{3,1} &= 13E_0 \\ E_{1,2} &= 17E_0 \\ E_{3,2} &= 20E_0 = E_{4,1} \end{aligned}$$

8.15 ••• Show that the allowed energies of a mass  $M$  confined in a three-dimensional rectangular rigid box with sides  $a, b$ , and  $c$  are

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2M} \left( \frac{n_x^2}{a^2} + \frac{n_y^2}{b^2} + \frac{n_z^2}{c^2} \right) \quad (8.103)$$

where the three quantum numbers  $n_x, n_y, n_z$  are any three positive integers (1, 2, 3, ...). [Hint: Use separation of variables, and seek a solution of the form  $\psi = X(x)Y(y)Z(z)$ . Note that by setting  $a = b = c$ , one obtains the cubical box of Example 8.2.]

$$\frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2M a^2} (n_x^2 + n_y^2)$$

similar one (20) in HW 7

Harmonic oscillator

$$\begin{aligned} 1D: \frac{k}{2} x^2 & \quad 2D \text{ S.H.O. } \left( \frac{k}{2} (x^2 + y^2) \right) \\ \downarrow & \quad \downarrow \\ E_n = \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \hbar \omega & \quad E_{n_x, n_y} = \left( n_x + n_y + 1 \right) \hbar \omega \\ & \quad \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega_x + \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega_y \end{aligned}$$

8.22 •• Substitute the separated form  $\psi = R(r)\Theta(\theta)\Phi(\phi)$  into the Schrödinger equation (8.49). (a) Show that if you multiply through by  $r^2 \sin^2 \theta / (R\Theta\Phi)$  and rearrange, you get an equation of the form  $\Phi''/\Phi =$  (function of  $r$  and  $\theta$ ). Explain clearly why each side of this equation must be a constant, which we can call  $-m^2$ . (b) Show that the resulting equation, (function of  $r$  and  $\theta$ )  $= -m^2$ , can be put in the form

$$\frac{1}{\Theta \sin \theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) - \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta} = (\text{function of } r)$$

Explain (again) why each side of this equation must be a constant, which we can call  $-k$ . Derive the  $r$  and  $\theta$  equations (8.54) and (8.53).

already did earlier in lecture.

**8.33** ••• The normalization condition for a three-dimensional wave function is  $\int |\psi|^2 dV = 1$ . (a) Show that in spherical polar coordinates, the element of volume is  $dV = r^2 dr \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$ . [Hint: Think about the infinitesimal volume between  $r$  and  $r + dr$ , between  $\theta$  and  $\theta + d\theta$ , and between  $\phi$  and  $\phi + d\phi$ .] (b) Show that if  $\psi = R(r)Y(\theta, \phi)$ , the normalization integral is the product of two terms

$$dV = r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$|\psi|^2 = |R(r)|^2 |Y(\theta, \phi)|^2$$

$$1 = \int |\psi|^2 dV$$

$$\frac{e^{i\phi}}{1}$$

$$1 = \int |\psi|^2 dV = \left( \int_0^\infty |R(r)|^2 r^2 dr \right) \times \left( \int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi |Y(\theta, \phi)|^2 \right) = 1$$

(c) It is usually convenient to normalize the functions  $R(r)$  and  $Y(\theta, \phi)$  separately, so that each of the factors in this middle expression is equal to 1. Verify that all of the spherical harmonics  $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$  with  $l = 0$  or 1 do satisfy

$$\int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi |Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)|^2 = 1$$

The required spherical harmonics are defined in (8.69) and Table 8.1.

**8.29** •• Write down the  $\theta$  equation (8.65) for the special case that  $l = m = 0$ . (a) Verify that  $\Theta = \text{constant}$  is a solution. (b) Verify that a second solution is  $\Theta = \ln[(1 + \cos \theta)/(1 - \cos \theta)]$ , and show that this is infinite when  $\theta = 0$  or  $\pi$  (and hence is unacceptable). (c) Since the  $\theta$  equation is a second-order differential equation, any solution must be a linear combination of these two. Write down the general solution, and prove that the only acceptable solution is  $\Theta = \text{constant}$ .

a) did this already

b)  
c):

**8.45** ••• Write down the radial equation (8.72) for the case that  $n = 2$  and  $l = 1$ . Put in the value  $-E_R/4$  for the energy and use the known expressions for  $a_B$  and  $E_R$  to eliminate all dimensional constants except  $a_B$  [as was done in (8.80)]. Verify that  $R_{2p} = A r e^{-r/2a_B}$  is a solution, and use the normalization condition (8.86) with  $P_{2p} = 4\pi r^2 |R_{2p}|^2$  to prove that  $A = 1/(4\sqrt{6\pi} a_B^5)$ .

$$a_B = \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e k e^2};$$

$$E_R = \frac{m_e (k e^2)^2}{2 \hbar^2} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2 m_e a_B^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2} (r R) = \frac{2 m_e}{\hbar^2} \left( -E - \frac{k e^2}{r} + \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{2 m_e r^2} \right) (r R)$$

1. Omif overall

factor A:

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2} (r \cdot r e^{-r/2a_B}) = \frac{2me}{\hbar^2} \left( \frac{E_R}{4} - \frac{\hbar e^2}{r} + \frac{\hbar^2 \cdot 2}{2me\hbar^2} \right) (r r e^{-r/2a_B})$$

$$\text{r.h.s} = \left( \frac{1}{4a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B} \frac{1}{r} + \frac{2}{r^2} \right) (r^2 e^{-r/2a_B})$$

l.h.s =

$$\frac{d}{dr} (r^2 e^{-r/2a_B}) = 2r e^{-r/2a_B} - \frac{r^2}{2a_B} e^{-r/2a_B}$$

$$\text{l.h.s} = 2 e^{-r/2a_B} - 2 \frac{r}{a_B} e^{-r/2a_B} + \frac{\hbar^2}{4a_B^2} e^{-r/2a_B} = \text{r.h.s}$$

$$1 = \int_0^{\infty} dr P_{2p} = A^2 4\pi \int_0^{\infty} dr r^2 r^2 e^{-r/a_B} = 4\pi A^2 \cdot a_B^5 \cdot 4! \Rightarrow A = \left( \frac{1}{96\pi a_B^5} \right)^{1/2}$$

$\frac{\hbar^4}{2\lambda^4} \frac{1}{\lambda} \Rightarrow 4! \cdot \lambda^{-5}$