

Hydrogen atom

$$V(r) = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r}$$

S.W.E. (for radial part, as pot. is central one)

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{d^2 u}{dr^2} + \left[-\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] u = Eu \quad \text{--- (1)} \quad \left[\text{here } V = r k_{ne}(r) \right]$$

put $\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{-2\mu|E|}{\hbar^2}}$ (as for bound state $E < 0$ (in Hydrogen atom e^- is in bound state))

--- (2)

dividing eqⁿ (1) by E

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2\mu E} \frac{d^2 u}{dr^2} = \left[1 + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 E} \frac{1}{r} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu E} \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] u$$

now put $\frac{-\hbar^2}{2\mu E} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \Rightarrow \lambda^2 = -\frac{2\mu E}{\hbar^2}$, as E is negative due to bound state, so λ^2 is +ve., $\therefore$ so $E = -\frac{\lambda^2 \hbar^2}{2\mu}$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda^2} \frac{d^2 u}{dr^2} = \left[1 - \frac{e^2 2\mu}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \lambda^2 \hbar^2} \frac{1}{r} + \frac{l(l+1)}{\lambda^2 r^2} \right] u \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

let $\rho = \lambda r$, and $\rho_0 = \frac{\mu e^2}{2\pi\epsilon_0 \lambda \hbar^2}$

Then eqⁿ (3) becomes

$$\frac{d^2 u}{d\rho^2} = \left[1 - \frac{\rho_0}{\rho} + \frac{l(l+1)}{\rho^2} \right] u \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Asymptotic solⁿ of the eqⁿ (4) in the region where $\rho \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 u}{d\rho^2} = u \quad \text{--- (5)}$

general solⁿ of eqⁿ (5) $u(\rho) = A e^{-\rho} + B e^{\rho}$
as e^{ρ} blows up (or diverges) so solⁿ is $u(\rho) \sim A e^{-\rho}$.

for $\rho \rightarrow 0$ $\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{\rho^2}$ dominates e^{ρ} (4) becomes

$$\frac{d^2 u}{d\rho^2} = \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{\rho^2} u \quad \Rightarrow \text{sol}^n \rightarrow u(\rho) = C\rho^{\ell+1} + D\rho^{-\ell}$$

as $\rho^{-\ell}$ blows up (diverges) so $u(\rho) \sim C\rho^{\ell+1}$

let the complete solⁿ (including asymptotic behaviour)

$$u(\rho) = \rho^{\ell+1} e^{-\rho} v(\rho) \quad - (6)$$

$$\frac{du}{d\rho} = \rho^{\ell} e^{-\rho} \left[(\ell+1 - \rho) v + \rho \frac{dv}{d\rho} \right]$$

$$\frac{d^2 u}{d\rho^2} = \rho^{\ell} e^{-\rho} \left[\left(-2\ell - 2 + \rho + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{\rho} \right) v + 2(\ell+1 - \rho) \frac{dv}{d\rho} + \rho \frac{d^2 v}{d\rho^2} \right] \quad - (7)$$

So e^{ρ} (4) becomes (after putting e^{ρ} (4))

$$\rho \frac{d^2 v}{d\rho^2} + 2(\ell+1 - \rho) \frac{dv}{d\rho} + (\rho - 2(\ell+1)) v = 0 \quad - (8)$$

Let (assume) the solution, $v(\rho)$ in power series.

$$v(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} C_j \rho^j$$

$$\frac{dv}{d\rho} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j C_j \rho^{j-1} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+1) C_{j+1} \rho^j$$

(shifting ~~$j+1$~~ j to $j+1$) - (9)

$$\frac{d^2 v}{d\rho^2} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j(j+1) C_{j+1} \rho^{j-1} \quad - (10)$$

(differentiate eq (9))

put eq (9) & (10) into (8)

$$\int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j(j+1) c_{j+1} p^{j-1} + \cancel{2(l+1)} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+1) c_{j+1} p^j - 2p \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+1) c_{j+1} p^j + (p_0 - 2(l+1)) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j p^j = 0$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j(j+1) c_{j+1} p^j + 2(l+1) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+1) c_{j+1} p^j - 2 \underbrace{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+1) c_{j+1} p^{j+1}}_{\text{put } j+1 \rightarrow j} + (p_0 - 2(l+1)) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j p^j = 0$$

this becomes
 $-2 \sum j c_j p^j$

equating the coefficients of like powers of p^j

$$j(j+1) c_{j+1} + 2(l+1)(j+1) c_{j+1} - 2j c_j + (p_0 - 2(l+1)) c_j = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c_{j+1} = \left(\frac{2(j+l+1) - p_0}{(j+1)(j+2l+2)} \right) c_j \quad \text{--- (11) [recursion formula]}$$

for $j \rightarrow \infty$ $\frac{c_{j+1}}{c_j} \rightarrow \frac{2}{j+1}$

so series behave like e^{2p}

and

$u(p) \sim e^{-p} p^{l+1} e^{2p} \sim p^{l+1} e^p$
 again it is diverging behaviour
 so can't be solution.

As $e^{2x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2x)^n}{n!}$
 $\Rightarrow (n+1)^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = \frac{(2x)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \Rightarrow \frac{(n+1)^{\text{th}}}{n^{\text{th}}} \text{ term} = \frac{2x}{n+1}$
 $n^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = \frac{(2x)^n}{n!}$
 i.e. ratio of $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$ to n^{th} term of e^{2x}
 shows same behaviour as shown by $\frac{c_{j+1}}{c_j}$ at $j \rightarrow \infty$

so series must be terminated at some finite no. let N .

i.e. $\sum_{j=0}^N c_j p^j \Rightarrow c_{j+1} = 0 = c_{j+2} = \dots = c_{j+N} = \dots$
 i.e. $N = j_{\text{max}}$

e^p (11) becomes

$$c_{j_{\text{max}}+1} = \left(\frac{2(j_{\text{max}}+l+1) - p_0}{(j_{\text{max}}+1)(j_{\text{max}}+2l+2)} \right) c_{j_{\text{max}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{As } C_{j_{\max}+1} = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = \frac{\ell(j_{\max}+l+1) - j_0}{(j_{\max}+1)(j_{\max}+2l+2)} C_{j_{\max}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ell(j_{\max}+l+1) - j_0 = 0 \quad - (12)$$

Let $n = j_{\max} + l + 1$ (n = principal quantum no.)

$$2n - j_0 = 0 \Rightarrow j_0 = 2n \quad - (13)$$

$$\text{As } j_0 = \frac{\mu e^2}{2\pi \epsilon_0 \hbar^2} = 2n \Rightarrow \frac{\mu^2 e^4}{4\pi^2 \epsilon_0^2 \hbar^4} = 4n^2$$

$$\lambda^2 = -\frac{2\mu E}{\hbar^2} \Rightarrow -\frac{\mu^2 e^4}{4\pi^2 \epsilon_0^2 2\mu E \hbar^2} = 4n^2$$

$$E_n = -\frac{\mu e^4}{8\pi^2 \epsilon_0^2 \hbar^2 \cdot 4n^2} = -\left[\frac{\mu}{2\hbar^2} \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right)^2 \right] \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{E_1}{n^2} \quad - (14)$$

where $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Also $n = j_{\max} + l + 1$, as $j_{\max} = 0, 1, 2, \dots, j_{\max}$

$$\text{for } j=0 \Rightarrow n = l+1 \quad l = n-1$$

$$j=1 \Rightarrow n = l+2 \Rightarrow l = n-2$$

$$j=2 \Rightarrow n = l+3$$

i.e. if one runs up to $j=3$ then n will run

$$l+3, l+2, l+1 \text{ or } l \text{ will run } \Rightarrow (n-1)(n-2)(n-3) \dots$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\text{as } \lambda^2 = -\frac{2ME}{\hbar^2}$$

$$E_n = -\left[\frac{\mu e^4}{2\hbar^2 16\pi^2 \epsilon_0^2} \right] \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{\cancel{2}\mu}{\hbar^2} \frac{\mu e^4}{\cancel{2}\hbar^2 16\pi^2 \epsilon_0^2} \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{4\pi \epsilon_0 \hbar^2}{\mu e^2} \Rightarrow a_0^2 = \frac{16\pi^2 \epsilon_0^2 \hbar^4}{\mu^2 e^4} = 0.529 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{1}{a_0^2 n^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \frac{1}{a_0 n}}$$

$$\text{as } \rho = \lambda r = \frac{r}{a_0 n}$$

$$\text{as } u(\rho) = \rho^{l+1} e^{-\rho} v(\rho) \Rightarrow R_{nl}(r) = \frac{1}{r} \rho^{l+1} e^{-\rho} v(\rho)$$

here $v(\rho)$ is a polynomial of degree $J_{\text{max}} = n-l-1$ in ρ , where coefficients are determined by recursion formula

$$C_{j+1} = \frac{2(j+l+1-n)}{(j+1)(j+2l+2)} C_j$$

and power series $\left[\sum_{j=0}^{N=J_{\text{max}}} C_j \rho^j \right]$ where $\rho_0 = 2n$

$$R_{nl}(r) = \frac{u(\rho)}{r} = \frac{1}{r} \rho^{l+1} e^{-\rho} v(\rho)$$

$$u(\rho) = C_0 \rho^0 = C_0$$

as $N=J_{\text{max}}=1$ for $n=1, l=0$.

$$R_{10}(r) = \frac{1}{r} (\lambda r)^{l+1} e^{-\lambda r} v(\rho)$$

$$R_{10}(r) = \lambda^{l+1} r^l e^{-r/a_0} C_0$$

$$R_{10}(r) = \frac{1}{a_0} e^{-r/a_0} C_0$$

$$\text{as } \int_0^\infty r^2 |R_{nl}(r)|^2 dr = 1 \Rightarrow \int_0^\infty \frac{r^2 C_0^2}{a_0^2} e^{-2r/a_0} dr = 1$$

using gamma function $\int_0^\infty x^n e^{-ax} dx = \frac{n!}{a^{n+1}}$

$$\frac{C_0^2}{a_0^2} \int_0^\infty r^2 e^{-2r/a_0} dr = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{C_0^2}{a_0^2} \frac{2!}{\left(\frac{2}{a_0}\right)^3} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{C_0^2 2 a_0}{8} = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{C_0 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{a_0}}}$$

$$R_{10}(r) = \frac{2}{a_0^{3/2}} e^{-r/a_0}$$

$$\text{For } R_{20}(r) = \lambda^{l+1} r^l e^{-r/na_0} v(\rho)$$

$$v(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-l-1} C_j \rho^j \quad \text{as } n=2, l=0, j_{\max} = 2-0-1=1$$

$$= C_0 \rho^0 + C_1 \rho \Rightarrow C_0 + C_1 \rho = C_0 + \lambda R C_1$$

C_1 can be found using recursion relation.

$$C_{j+1} = \frac{2(j+l+1-n)}{(j+1)(j+l+2)} C_j \quad \text{as } C_j = C_{j+1} \Rightarrow j=0$$

$$C_{0+1} = \frac{2(0+0+1-2)}{(0+1)(0+0+2)} C_0 = \frac{2(-1)}{2} C_0 \Rightarrow C_1 = -C_0$$

$$C_1 = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{a_0}}$$

$$v(\rho) = C_0 \left(1 - \lambda R\right) = C_0 \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a_0}\right)$$

$$R_{20}(r) = \frac{C_0}{2a_0} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a_0}\right) e^{-r/2a_0} = \boxed{\frac{2}{\sqrt{a_0} \cdot 2a_0} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a_0}\right) e^{-r/2a_0}}$$

$$\boxed{R_{20}(r) = \frac{1}{(a_0)^{3/2}} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a_0}\right) e^{-r/2a_0}}$$

and so on.

Further one has to be normalized again to find C_0 (for every l and n is different)

$$\text{Normalizing } \int_0^\infty |R_{20}(r)|^2 r^2 dr = 1$$

$$\frac{|C_0|^2}{4a_0^2} \int_0^\infty r^2 \left(1 + \frac{r^2}{4a_0^2} - \frac{r}{a_0}\right) e^{-r/2a_0} dr \quad \text{using Gamma fun.}$$

$$\frac{|C_0|^2}{4a_0^2} \left[\frac{2!}{\left(\frac{1}{a_0}\right)^3} + \frac{4!}{4a_0^2 \left(\frac{1}{a_0}\right)^5} - \frac{3!}{a_0 \left(\frac{1}{a_0}\right)^4} \right] = 1 \Rightarrow |C_0|^2 \left[\frac{a_0}{2} + \frac{3}{2} a_0 - \frac{3}{2} a_0 \right] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow C_0 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \quad \text{for } R_{20}(r)$$

hence

$$R_{20}(r) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a_0}} \frac{1}{2a_0} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a_0}\right) e^{-r/2a_0}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2a_0^3}} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a_0}\right) e^{-r/2a_0}$$

and so on one can find $R_{21}, R_{30}, \dots$

second approach for $R_{nl}(r)$

The recursion relation given by eqⁿ (11)

$$C_{j+1} = \frac{2(j+l+1-n)}{(j+1)(j+2+l)} C_j \quad \text{is from a well known associated Laguerre fn.}$$

Note. we have taken

$$\int_0^\infty r^2 |R_{n0}(r)|^2 dr = 1$$

This comes from $\Psi_{n00}(r, \theta, \phi) = R_{n0}(r) Y_0^0(\theta, \phi)$

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} |\Psi_{n00}(r, \theta, \phi)|^2 dV = 1 \quad \text{here } dV = r^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi dr$$

For R_{n0} this becomes $R_{n0}(r) Y_0^0(\theta, \phi)$ and $Y_0^0(\theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}}$

$$\text{So, } \int |\Psi|^2 dV = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} |R_{n0}(r)|^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}}\right)^2 r^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi dr$$

$$\int_0^\infty |R_{n0}(r)|^2 r^2 dr \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{4\pi}\right) \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$\text{as } \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi = 2\pi$$

$$\int_0^\pi \sin\theta d\theta = \cos\theta \Big|_0^\pi = 2$$

∴ we have $\boxed{\int_0^\infty r^2 |R_{n0}(r)|^2 dr = 1 = \int |\Psi|^2 dV}$ only for R_{n0}

So to find $R_{21} = R_{nl}$ one has to solve

$$\int |\psi|^2 dV = \text{for } R_{21}, l=1, m=0 \quad \text{i.e. } Y_{1,0}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$Y_{1,0}(\theta, \phi) = \left(\frac{3}{4\pi}\right)^{1/2} \cos \theta.$$

$$\int_0^\infty |R_{21}|^2 r^2 dr \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{3}{4\pi} \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta d\theta d\phi = 1$$

$$\frac{3}{4\pi} \cdot 2\pi \int_0^\pi \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta d\theta = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\int_0^\infty |R_{21}|^2 r^2 dr \left[1\right] = 1 \Rightarrow \text{hence}$$

$$\boxed{\int \int \int |\psi_{nlm}|^2 dV = 1 = \int_0^\infty |R_{nl}(r)|^2 r^2 dr}$$

for $R_{21}(r) \Rightarrow R_{nl}(r) = \frac{1}{r} (r/a_0)^{l+1} e^{-r/2a_0} C_0$ [$n=2 \Rightarrow j_{\text{max}} = n-l-1 = 0$,
 $l=1 \Rightarrow j_{\text{max}} = 0$,
 $80 \leq C_j f^j = C_0$]

$$R_{21}(r) = \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{r}{2a_0}\right)^2 e^{-r/2a_0} C_0$$

$$\int_0^\infty |R_{21}(r)|^2 r^2 dr = |C_0|^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{r^4}{4a_0^4} e^{-r/a_0} dr = 1$$

$$\frac{|C_0|^2}{4a_0^4} \frac{4!}{\left(\frac{1}{a_0}\right)^5} = 1 \Rightarrow |C_0| = 1/\sqrt{6} a_0$$

$$R_{21}(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6} a_0^3} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{r}{2a_0}\right) e^{-r/2a_0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{24} a_0^3} \left(\frac{r}{2a_0}\right) e^{-r/2a_0}$$