

Problem 4.13

(a) Normalize R_{20} (Equation 4.82), and construct the function ψ_{200} .

(b) Normalize R_{21} (Equation 4.83), and construct ψ_{211} , ψ_{210} , and ψ_{21-1} .

Solution

The normalization of the stationary states of hydrogen requires that

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \iiint_{\text{all space}} |\Psi_{n\ell m}(r, \theta, \phi, t)|^2 d\mathcal{V} = \iiint_{\text{all space}} |R(r)\Theta(\theta)\xi(\phi)T(t)|^2 d\mathcal{V} \\
 &= \iiint_{\text{all space}} \left| R_{n\ell}(r)Y_{\ell}^m(\theta, \phi)e^{-iE_n t/\hbar} \right|^2 d\mathcal{V} \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} |R_{n\ell}(r)|^2 |Y_{\ell}^m(\theta, \phi)|^2 (r^2 \sin \theta dr d\phi d\theta) \\
 &= \underbrace{\left[\int_0^{\infty} r^2 |R_{n\ell}(r)|^2 dr \right]}_{=1} \underbrace{\left[\int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |Y_{\ell}^m(\theta, \phi)|^2 \sin \theta d\phi d\theta \right]}_{=1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Part (a)

Equation 4.82 is on page 148.

$$R_{20}(r) = \frac{c_0}{2a} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a}\right) e^{-r/2a} \quad (4.82)$$

So then

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \int_0^{\infty} r^2 |R_{20}(r)|^2 dr \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} r^2 \left[\frac{c_0}{2a} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a}\right) e^{-r/2a} \right]^2 dr \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \int_0^{\infty} r^2 \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a}\right)^2 e^{-r/a} dr \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \int_0^{\infty} r^2 \left(1 - \frac{r}{a} + \frac{r^2}{4a^2}\right) e^{-r/a} dr \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \int_0^{\infty} \left(r^2 - \frac{r^3}{a} + \frac{r^4}{4a^2}\right) e^{-r/a} dr \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left(\int_0^{\infty} r^2 e^{-r/a} dr - \frac{1}{a} \int_0^{\infty} r^3 e^{-r/a} dr + \frac{1}{4a^2} \int_0^{\infty} r^4 e^{-r/a} dr \right) \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial u^2} (e^{-ur}) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} dr + \frac{1}{a} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial u^3} (e^{-ur}) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} dr + \frac{1}{4a^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial^4}{\partial u^4} (e^{-ur}) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} dr \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Pull the derivatives outside the integrals.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[\frac{d^2}{du^2} \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-ur} dr \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{a} \frac{d^3}{du^3} \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-ur} dr \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{4a^2} \frac{d^4}{du^4} \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-ur} dr \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[\frac{d^2}{du^2} \left(-\frac{1}{u} e^{-ur} \Big|_0^\infty \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{a} \frac{d^3}{du^3} \left(-\frac{1}{u} e^{-ur} \Big|_0^\infty \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{4a^2} \frac{d^4}{du^4} \left(-\frac{1}{u} e^{-ur} \Big|_0^\infty \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[\frac{d^2}{du^2} \left(\frac{1}{u} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{a} \frac{d^3}{du^3} \left(\frac{1}{u} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{4a^2} \frac{d^4}{du^4} \left(\frac{1}{u} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[\frac{d}{du} \left(-\frac{1}{u^2} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{a} \frac{d^2}{du^2} \left(-\frac{1}{u^2} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{4a^2} \frac{d^3}{du^3} \left(-\frac{1}{u^2} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[\left(\frac{2}{u^3} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{a} \frac{d}{du} \left(\frac{2}{u^3} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{4a^2} \frac{d^2}{du^2} \left(\frac{2}{u^3} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[\left(\frac{2}{u^3} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{a} \left(-\frac{6}{u^4} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{4a^2} \frac{d}{du} \left(-\frac{6}{u^4} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[\left(\frac{2}{u^3} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{a} \left(-\frac{6}{u^4} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} + \frac{1}{4a^2} \left(\frac{24}{u^5} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} \left[(2a^3) + \frac{1}{a} (-6a^4) + \frac{1}{4a^2} (24a^5) \right] \\
 &= \frac{c_0^2}{4a^2} (2a^3 - 6a^4 + 6a^3) \\
 &= \frac{a}{2} c_0^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Solve for c_0 .

$$c_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}}$$

Therefore, the normalized radial eigenfunction is

$$R_{20}(r) = \frac{c_0}{2a} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a} \right) e^{-r/2a} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2a^3}} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a} \right) e^{-r/2a},$$

and the spatial part of the wave function is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi_{200}(r, \theta, \phi) &= R_{20}(r) Y_0^0(\theta, \phi) \\
 &= \left[\sqrt{\frac{1}{2a^3}} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a} \right) e^{-r/2a} \right] \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{4\pi}} \right) \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{8\pi a^3}} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a} \right) e^{-r/2a}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Part (b)

Equation 4.83 is on page 148.

$$R_{21}(r) = \frac{c_0}{4a^2} r e^{-r/2a} \quad (4.83)$$

So then

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \int_0^\infty r^2 |R_{21}(r)|^2 dr \\ &= \int_0^\infty r^2 \left[\frac{c_0}{4a^2} r e^{-r/2a} \right]^2 dr \\ &= \int_0^\infty r^2 \left[\frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} r^2 e^{-r/a} \right] dr \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \int_0^\infty r^4 e^{-r/a} dr \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \int_0^\infty \frac{\partial^4}{\partial u^4} (e^{-ur}) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} dr \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \frac{d^4}{du^4} \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-ur} dr \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \frac{d^4}{du^4} \left(-\frac{1}{u} e^{-ur} \Big|_0^\infty \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \frac{d^4}{du^4} \left(\frac{1}{u} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \frac{d^3}{du^3} \left(-\frac{1}{u^2} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \frac{d^2}{du^2} \left(\frac{2}{u^3} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \frac{d}{du} \left(-\frac{6}{u^4} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} \left(\frac{24}{u^5} \right) \Big|_{u=\frac{1}{a}} \\ &= \frac{c_0^2}{16a^4} (24a^5) \\ &= \frac{3a}{2} c_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Solve for c_0 .

$$c_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}}$$

Therefore, the normalized radial eigenfunction is

$$\begin{aligned} R_{21}(r) &= \frac{c_0}{4a^2} r e^{-r/2a} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \frac{1}{4a^2} r e^{-r/2a} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{24a^5}} r e^{-r/2a}, \end{aligned}$$

and the spatial part of each of the three wave functions is

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{211}(r, \theta, \phi) &= R_{21}(r) Y_1^1(\theta, \phi) \\ &= \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{24a^5}} r e^{-r/2a} \right) \left(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin \theta e^{i\phi} \right) \\ &= -\sqrt{\frac{1}{64\pi a^5}} r e^{-r/2a} \sin \theta e^{i\phi} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{210}(r, \theta, \phi) &= R_{21}(r) Y_1^0(\theta, \phi) \\ &= \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{24a^5}} r e^{-r/2a} \right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \cos \theta \right) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{32\pi a^5}} r e^{-r/2a} \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{21-1}(r, \theta, \phi) &= R_{21}(r) Y_1^{-1}(\theta, \phi) \\ &= \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{24a^5}} r e^{-r/2a} \right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} \right) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{64\pi a^5}} r e^{-r/2a} \sin \theta e^{-i\phi}. \end{aligned}$$