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Question 1

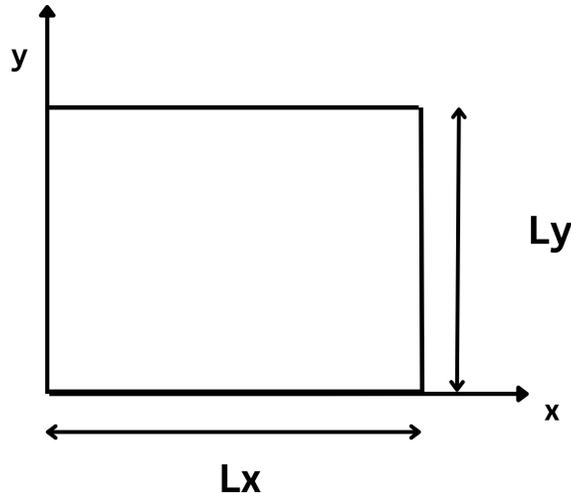
A hydrogen atom is in the state

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\psi_{100} - \psi_{200}).$$

Write the integral that, when computed, will give the probability of finding the electron between the radii $r = 0$ and $r = a_0$ (the Bohr radius). You do not have to compute this integral.

Question 2

Consider a particle in a 2-d potential well. The potential $V(x,y)$ is infinite at the boundary and everywhere outside the well and zero inside the well. The length of the 2-d well is L_x and L_y as shown in the diagram.



The two dimensional Schrodinger equation for the particle is the following:

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right] \psi(x, y) + V(x, y)\psi(x, y) = E\psi(x, y).$$

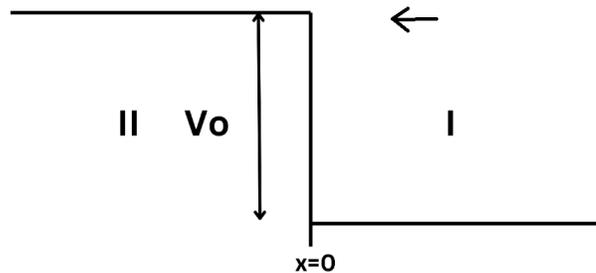
- (a) Find a general expression for the possible energies of the given system. Also find the general expression for the corresponding wavefunctions.

It is possible that $L_x = L_y$ or $L_x \neq L_y$. Do parts b,c twice: once with the assumption that $L_x = L_y$ and once with the assumption that $L_x < L_y$.

- (b) Are energy levels degenerate for the first excited state? Justify your answer.
- (c) Write down the wavefunctions for the first excited state for each case you mentioned above.

Question 3

Consider the potential step shown below.



- (a) If a particle comes in from the right (as shown with the arrow) with $E > V_0 > 0$, find its wavefunction in region I and II.
- (b) Use boundary conditions to write down all the possible coefficients of the wavefunctions we found in part (a).
- (c) What is the probability density of position in region I?

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \Psi_{100} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} n=1 \\ l=0 \\ m_l=0 \end{matrix} \quad \Psi_{100} = Y_0^0 R_{10} \\ = 2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{a_0^3}} e^{-r/a_0} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}}$$

$$\Psi_{200} = Y_0^0 R_{20} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2a_0^3}} \left[\frac{-r}{a_0} + 2 \right] e^{-r/2a_0} \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2a_0^3}} \left(\frac{-r}{a_0} e^{-r/2a_0} + 2 e^{-r/2a_0} \right)$$

Let's define $A = 2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{a_0^3}} \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi}$

$$B = \frac{+1}{2a_0 \sqrt{8a_0^3 \pi}}$$

$$C = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi a_0^3}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_{100} - \Psi_{200}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (A e^{-r/a_0} + B r e^{-r/2a_0} - C e^{-r/2a_0})$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_{100} - \Psi_{200}) \right|^2 = \frac{1}{2} (A^2 e^{-2r/a_0} + A r B e^{-3r/2a_0} - A C e^{-3r/2a_0} \\ + r B A e^{-3r/2a_0} + B^2 r^2 e^{-r/a_0} + r B C e^{-r/a_0} \\ + C e^{-r/a_0} - C B e^{-r/a_0} - C A e^{-3r/2a_0})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(A^2 e^{-2r/a_0} + B r^2 e^{-r/a_0} + C e^{-r/a_0} \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ e^{-3r/2a_0} (ABr + AC + BA - CA) \right.$$

$$\left. + e^{-2r/a_0} (A^2) + e^{-r/a_0} (B r^2 - rBC + C^2 - cB) \right\}$$

each term can be integrated individually.

We need to compute integrals of the form \Rightarrow

$$\textcircled{1} \lambda e^{-\alpha r} r (r^2) = \lambda e^{-\alpha r} r^3$$

$$\textcircled{2} \lambda e^{-\alpha r} (r^2) = \lambda e^{-\alpha r} r^2$$

$$\textcircled{3} \lambda e^{-\alpha r} r^2 (r^2) = \lambda e^{-\alpha r} r^4$$



Let's compute

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right] \Psi(x,y) + V(x,y) \Psi(x,y) = E \Psi(x,y)$$

$$\Psi(x,y) = XY \quad (\text{separation of variables})$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[Y \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + X \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} \right] + VXY = EXY$$

divide both sides of equation by XY

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} = (E - V)$$

$$\rightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = E_x \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} = E_y$$

For a 2-D potential $V_{x=0}$ and $V_{y=0}$ inside the box.

$$\text{Solving } -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = X E_x \rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E_x X$$

$$\text{Ansatz } X(x) = \quad \quad \quad K_x^2 = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E_x$$

$$X(x) = A \sin\left(\frac{k_x x}{\hbar}\right) + B \cos\left(\frac{k_x x}{\hbar}\right)$$

Similarly, we can solve for y , $K_y^2 = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E_y$

$$Y(y) = C \sin\left(\frac{k_y y}{\hbar}\right) + D \cos\left(\frac{k_y y}{\hbar}\right)$$

Boundary Conditions

$$X(0) = A \sin(0) + B \cos(0) = 0 \\ = B = 0$$

$$X(L_x) = A \sin(L_x k_x) \neq 0$$

For a non-trivial solution

$$k_x L_x = n\pi \quad \text{where } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2mE_x}}{\hbar} L_x = n\pi \Rightarrow X(x) = A \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L_x} x\right)$$

$$\frac{2mE_x L_x^2}{\hbar^2} = n^2 \pi^2$$

$$E_x = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L_x^2 2m}$$

To find A \Rightarrow

$$\int_0^{L_x} |A|^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L_x}\right) dx = 1$$

$$|A|^2 \frac{L_x}{2} = 1 \quad A = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_x}}$$

Similarly we can write

$$Y(y) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_y}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L_y}\right)$$

$$E_y = \frac{n_y^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L_y^2 2m}$$



$$b(i) \quad L_x = L_y = L$$

$$E = \frac{n_x^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L^2 2m} + \frac{n_y^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L^2 2m} = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{L^2 2m} (n_x^2 + n_y^2)$$

For the 1st excited state $n_x = 1$ and $n_y = 2$ OR

$n_x = 2$ and $n_y = 1$ \Rightarrow Degeneracy = 2

$$b(ii) \quad L_x < L_y.$$

$$E = \frac{n_x^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L_x^2 2m} + \frac{n_y^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{L_y^2 2m}$$

$$1^{st} \text{ Excited state} \rightarrow n_x = 1 \quad n_y = 2$$

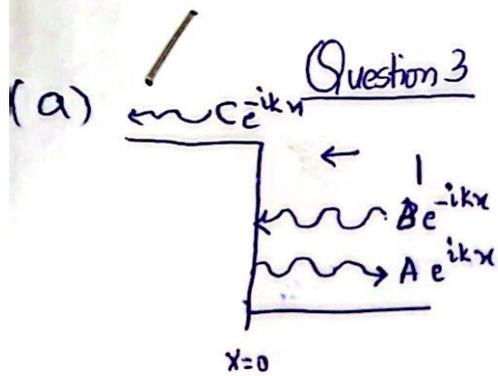
$$\text{degeneracy} = 0$$

$$c(i) \quad \Psi = X(x) Y(y) \rightarrow L_x = L_y$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_x}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{L_y}} = \frac{2}{L}$$

$$\Psi = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$d(ii) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2xLy}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{Ly}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{Lx}\right)$$



Wave function in region I

$$\Psi(x) = A e^{ik_1 x} + B e^{-ik_1 x}$$

where $k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$

Wave function in region II

$$\Psi(x) = C e^{-ik_1 x}$$

where $k_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2m(E-V_0)}}{\hbar}$

(b) Wave function is continuous and its derivative is also constant

~~$\Psi(0) = A e^{ik_1 x}$~~ $\Psi(0) = \lambda(0)$

$$A + B = C \quad B = C - A \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\Psi'(0) = \lambda'(0)$$

$$ikA - B ik = -ik_1 C \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Plug (1) in (2)

$$ikA - C ik + A ik = -ik_1 C$$

$$2 ikA = C ik - ik_1 C$$

$$A = C \frac{(ik - ik_1)}{2 ik}$$

$$A = \frac{B \lambda}{1 - \lambda}$$

$$B = C - C \frac{(ik - ik_1)}{2 ik} \quad A = C \lambda$$

$B = C - C \lambda$
 $C = \frac{B}{1 - \lambda}$
 • we have expressed C and A, both in terms of incoming particles