


Lecture 15

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Hydrogen Atom Continued

$$R'' + \frac{2}{r} R' + \left[\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} + \frac{2Z}{ar} - \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] R = 0$$


when r is large, these terms go to 0

If r is large,

$$R'' + \frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} R = 0$$

$$\chi^2 + \frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} = 0$$

$$\chi = \pm \left(-\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$R_1 = e^{-(-8\pi\epsilon_0 E/ae^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} r}, \quad R_2 = e^{(-8\pi\epsilon_0 E/ae^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} r}$$

If $E > 0$, then $\left(-\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

is imaginary

$$R(r) \sim e^{\pm (\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2})^{\frac{1}{2}} ir}$$

$$a \equiv \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar^2}{\mu e^2}$$

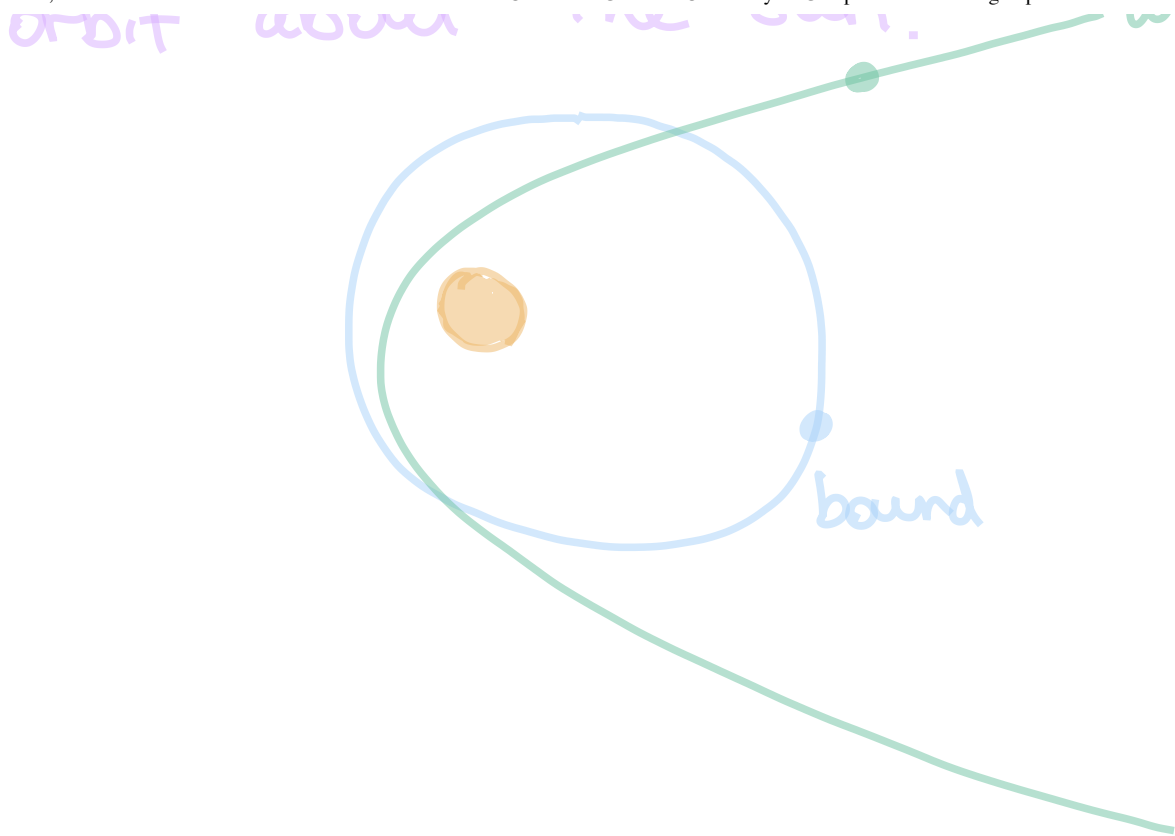
$$\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} = \frac{\cancel{8\pi\epsilon_0} E \mu \cancel{e^2}}{4\pi\cancel{\epsilon_0} \hbar^2 \cancel{e^2}} = \frac{2\mu E}{\hbar^2}$$

$$R(r) \sim e^{\pm (2\mu E)^{\frac{1}{2}} ir / \hbar}, \quad E \geq 0$$

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asymptotic behaviour; resembles the free-particle wavefunction

These eigenfunctions correspond to states in which the electron is not bound to the nucleus; i.e. the atom is ionized.

Classical mechanical analogy: a comet moving in a hyperbolic orbit about the Sun. ...unbound



How about bound states?

That is to say, states in which $\Psi = 0$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

$$e^{\pm \left(-8\pi\epsilon_0 E / ae^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} r}$$

$$E < 0, \text{ so } -\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} > 0$$

To ensure Ψ remains finite, take the negative sign in the exponent, so $- \left(-8\pi\epsilon_0 E / ae^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} r$

$$R(r) = e$$

Make substitution to set up the recursion relation:

$$R(r) = e^{-Cr} K(r)$$

$$\text{where } C \equiv \left(-\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$R'(r) = -C e^{-Cr} K(r) + e^{-Cr} K'(r)$$

$$R''(r) = (-C)^2 e^{-Cr} K(r) - C e^{-Cr} K'(r)$$

$$+ (-C) e^{-Cr} K'(r) + e^{-Cr} K''(r)$$

$$R''(r) = C^2 e^{-Cr} K(r) - 2C e^{-Cr} K'(r) + e^{-Cr} K''(r)$$

$$R'' + \frac{2}{r} R' + \left[\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} + \frac{2Z}{ar} - \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] R = 0$$

$$\left[C^2 e^{-Cr} K(r) - 2C e^{-Cr} K'(r) + e^{-Cr} K''(r) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{2}{r} \left[e^{-Cr} K'(r) - C e^{-Cr} K(r) \right]$$

$$+ \left[\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} + \frac{2Z}{ar} - \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] e^{-Cr} K(r) = 0$$

$$C^2 K(r) - 2C K'(r) + K''(r) + \frac{2}{r} K'(r) - \frac{2C}{r} K(r) + \left[\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} + \frac{2Z}{ar} - \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] K(r) = 0$$

$$\cancel{C^2 r^2 K(r)} - 2rC K(r) + \cancel{r^2 \frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} K(r)} + 2Za^{-1}r K(r) - l(l+1)K(r) - 2Cr^2 K'(r) + 2r K'(r) + r^2 K''(r) = 0$$

$$C \equiv \left(-\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad C^2 = -\frac{8\pi\epsilon_0 E}{ae^2}$$

$$\left[2Za^{-1}r - l(l+1) - 2rC \right] K(r)$$

$$+ (2r - 2Cr^2) K'(r) + r^2 K''(r) = 0$$

$$r^2 K''(r) + (2r - 2Cr^2) K'(r) + \left[(2Za^{-1} - 2C)r - l(l+1) \right] K(r) = 0$$

try power series - $K = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k r^k$

First few coefficients end up being 0 (generally); set c_s to be the first nonzero coefficient.

$$K = \sum_{k=s}^{\infty} c_k r^k, \quad c_s \neq 0$$

$$j \equiv k - s, \quad a_j \equiv c_{j+s} \quad (j+s=k)$$

$$K = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_{j+s} r^{j+s} = r^s \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j r^j, \quad a_0 \neq 0$$

$$K(r) = r^s M(r)$$

$$M(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j r^j, \quad a_0 \neq 0$$

$$K'(r) = s r^{s-1} M(r) + r^s M'(r)$$

$$K''(r) = s(s-1) r^{s-2} M(r) + 2s r^{s-1} M'(r) + r^s M''(r)$$

$$r^2 s(s-1) r^{s-2} M(r) + r^2 2s r^{s-1} M'(r)$$

$$+ r^2 r^s M''(r) + 2r s r^{s-1} M'(r) + 2r \cdot r^s M'(r)$$

$$- 2Cr^2 \cdot s r^{s-1} M(r) - 2Cr^2 \cdot r^s M'(r)$$

$$+ [(2Za^{-1} - 2C)r - l(l+1)] r^s M(r) = 0$$

divide
by r^s

$$r^2 M'' + (2sr + 2r - 2Cr^2) M' + [s^2 + s - 2Cs$$

$$+ (2Za^{-1} - 2C)r - l(l+1)] M(r) = 0$$

$$r^2 M'' + [(2s-2)r - 2Cr^2] M' + [s^2 + s$$

$$+ (2Za^{-1} - 2C - 2Cs)r - l(l+1)] M = 0$$

Consider when $r=0$:

$$M(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j r^j, \quad a_0 \neq 0$$

$$M(0) = a_0$$

$$M'(0) = a_1$$

$$M'(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j \cdot j r^{j-1}, \quad a_0 \neq 0$$

$$M''(0) = 2a_2$$

$$M''(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j(j-1)a_j r^{j-2}$$

$$\text{For } r=0, (s^2 + s - l^2 - l)a_0 = 0$$

$$\text{Since } a_0 \neq 0, \boxed{s^2 + s - (l^2 + l) = 0}$$

$$\text{roots: } s = l \text{ and } s = -l - 1$$

Two linearly independent solutions.

$$R(r) = e^{-Cr} K(r)$$

$$K(r) = r^s M(r)$$

$$M(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j r^j, a_0 \neq 0$$

$$\boxed{R(r) = e^{-Cr} r^s \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j r^j}$$

$$e^{-Cr} = 1 - Cr + \frac{(Cr)^2}{2!} - \frac{(Cr)^3}{3!} + \dots$$

For small r , $R(r)$ behaves as $a_0 r^s$.

For $s = l$, $R(r)$ behaves properly at the origin.

$$\text{For } s = -l - 1, R(r) \sim \frac{1}{r^{l+1}}$$

Since $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, the root $s = -l - 1$ makes the radial factor in the wavefunction infinite at the origin. **Reject $s = -l - 1$.**

(For more information, see textbook pages 132-133.)

$$R(r) = e^{-Cr} r^l M(r)$$

$$r^2 M'' + [(2s+2)r - 2Cr^2] M' + [s^2 + s + (2Za^{-1} - 2C - 2Cs)r - l(l+1)] M = 0$$

$s = l$, so

$$\cancel{r^2} M'' + (\cancel{2lr} + \cancel{2r} - \cancel{2Cr^2}) M' + [\cancel{l^2} + \cancel{l} + (2Za^{-1} - 2C)\cancel{r} - \cancel{2Clr} - \cancel{l^2} - \cancel{l}] M = 0$$

$$r M'' + (2l + 2 - 2Cr) M' + (2Za^{-1} - 2C - 2Cl) M =$$

$$M(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j r^j$$

$$M'(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+1) a_{j+1} r^j$$

$$M''(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+1)j a_{j+1} r^{j-1}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left[j(j+1) a_{j+1} + 2(\ell+1)(j+1) a_{j+1} + \left(\frac{2z}{a} - 2c - 2c\ell - 2c_j \right) a_j \right] r^j = 0$$

$$a_{j+1} = \frac{2c + 2c\ell + 2c_j - 2za^{-1}}{j(j+1) + 2(\ell+1)(j+1)} a_j$$

recursion
relation

How does $M(r)$ behave for large r ?

$$\frac{a_{j+1}}{a_j} = \frac{\cancel{2c} + \cancel{2c\ell} + 2c_j - \cancel{2za^{-1}}}{j^2 + j + 2\ell j + \cancel{2\ell} + 2j + \cancel{2}}$$

$$= \frac{2c_j}{j^2 + j + 2\ell j + 2j}$$

$$j^2 + j + 2kj + 2j$$

$$= \frac{2C}{\cancel{j+1} + \cancel{2k} + \cancel{2}}$$

$$\frac{a_{j+1}}{a_j} = \frac{2C}{j}$$

$$e^{2Cr} = 1 + 4C^2 r^2 + \dots$$

$$+ \frac{(2Cr)^j}{j!} + \frac{(2Cr)^{j+1}}{(j+1)!} + \dots$$

$$\frac{\cancel{2^{j+1}} \cancel{C^{j+1}}}{(j+1)\cancel{j}\cancel{(j-1)}\dots} \cdot \frac{\cancel{j}\cancel{(j-1)}\cancel{(j-2)}\dots}{\cancel{2^j} \cancel{C^j}} = \frac{r^{j+1}}{r^j}$$

$$\frac{r^{j+1}}{r^j} = \frac{2C}{j+1} \approx \frac{2C}{j}$$

For large r , R behaves as

$$R(r) \sim e^{-Cr} r^2 e^{2Cr} = r^2 e^{Cr}$$

terminate after
a finite number
of terms

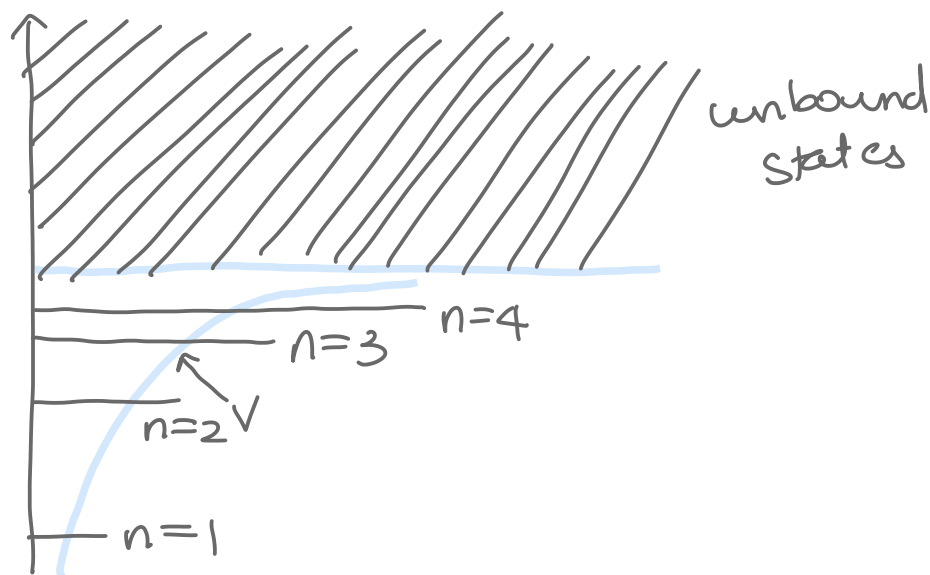
$$2C + 2Cl + 2Ck - 2Za^{-1} = 0$$

$$2C(k+l+1) = 2Za^{-1}, \quad k=0,1,3\dots$$

$$n \equiv k+l+1, \quad n=1,2,3,\dots$$

$$l \leq n-1$$

$$E = -\frac{Z^2 \mu e^4}{n^2 8 \epsilon_0^2 h^2}$$



all changes in n are allowed
in light absorption and emission

