Radial functions



For s-Orbitals the maximum probability denisty of finding the electron is on the nucleus For s-Orbitals the probability of finding the electron on the nucleus zero

Surface plots



Surface plot of the 1s wavefunction (orbital) of the hydrogen atom. The height of any point on the surface above the *xy* plane (the nuclear plane) represents the magnitude of the Ψ_{1s} function at the at point (*x*,*y*) in the nuclear plane. The nucleus is located in the *xy* place immediately below the 'peak'



Surface plot of the $|\Psi_{1s}|^2$; the probability density associated with the 1s wavefunction of the hydrogen atom.



Surface plot of the Ψ_{2s} ; 2s wavefunction (orbital) of the hydrogen atom. The height of any point on the surface above the *xy* plane (the nuclear plane) represents the magnitude of the Ψ_{2s} function at the at point (*x*,*y*) in the nuclear plane. Note that there is a negative region (depression) about the nucleus; the negative region begins at $r=2a_0$ an goes asymptotically to zero at $r=\infty$.



Surface plot of the $|\Psi_{2s}|^2$; the probability density associated with the 1s wavefunction of the hydrogen atom. Note that the negative region of the 2s plot on the left now appears as positive region.

Surface plots



Surface plot of the $2p_z$ wavefunction (orbital) in the *xz* (or *yz*) plane for the hydrogen atom. The 'pit' represents the negative lobe and the 'hill' the positive lobe of a 2p orbital.



Profile of the 2p_z orbital along the z-azis.

0.50



Surface plot of the $(2p_z)^2$; the probability density associated with the $2p_z$ wavefunction of the hydrogen atom. Each of the hills represents and area in the *xz* (or *yz*) plane where the probability density is the highest, The probability density along the *x* (or *y*) axis passing through the nucleus (0,0) is everywhere zero.



Surface plot of radial portion of a 2p wavefunction of the hydrogen atom. The gird lines have been left transparent so that the inner 'hollow' portion is visible.



Profile of the radial portion of a 2p wavefunction of the hydrogen atom.

Surface plots



Surface plot of the $3d_{z2}$ wavefunction (orbital) in the *xz* (or *yz*) plane for the hydrogen atom. The large hills correspond to the positive lobes and the small pits correspond to the negative lobes.



Surface plot of the $(3d_{z2})^2$ the probability density associated with the $3d_{z2}$ orbital of the hydrogen atom. This figure is rotated with respect to the figure on the left so that the small hill will be clearly visible. Another smaller hill is hidden behind the large hill.



Surface plot of the $3d_{xy}$ wavefunction (orbital) in the xz plane for the hydrogen atom. The hills and the pits have same amplitude.



Surface plot of the $(3d_{xy})^2$ the probability density associated with the $3d_{xy}$ orbital of the hydrogen atom. Pits in the figure to the left appear has hills.

Radial and Radial Distribution Functions

Probability of finding the electron anywhere in a shell of thickness dr at radius r is $4\pi r^2 R_{nl}^2(r) dr$ (for s) $r^2 \rightarrow$ increasing function $4\pi r^2 R_{nl}^2(r) dr \rightarrow 0$ as $4\pi r^2 dr \rightarrow 0$





Radial Distribution Functions



Shapes and Symmetries of the Orbitals

s-Orbitals

$$\psi_{1s} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{a_o}\right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{r}{a_o}} \qquad \qquad \psi_{2s} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{a_o}\right)^{3/2} \left(2 - \frac{r}{a_o}\right) e^{-\frac{r}{2a_o}}$$

Function of only *r*; No angular dependence ⇒Spherical symmetric

$$\begin{array}{cccc} n{-}l{-}1{=}0 & & & radial \ nodes & & & & n{-}l{-}1{=}1 \\ l{=}0 & & & angular \ nodes & & & & l{=}0 \\ n{-}l{=}0 & & & & Total \ nodes & & & & n{-}l{=}1 \end{array}$$

Shapes and Symmetries of the Orbitals

p-Orbitals

$$\psi_{210} = \psi_{2p_z} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{a_o}\right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{r}{a_o}\right) e^{-\frac{r}{2a_o}} \cos\theta$$

Function of only r, θ (and ϕ) \Rightarrow Not Spherical symmetric $2p_z$ Orbital: No ϕ dependence \Rightarrow Symmetric around z-axis

radial nodesn-l-1=0angular nodesl=1Total nodesn-l=1

xy nodal plane Zero amplitude at nucleus

Angular Distribution Functions

p-Orbitals
$$\psi_{210} = \psi_{2p_z} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{a_o}\right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{r}{a_o}\right) e^{-\frac{r}{2a_o}} \cos\theta \quad m = 0 \text{ case}$$

Angular part: Polar plot of $2p_z ---\cos\theta$



θ	cosθ
0	1.000
30	0.866
60	0.500
90	0.000
120	-0.500
150	-0.866
180	-1.000
210	-0.866
240	-0.500
270	0.000
300	0.500
330	0.866
360	1.000



$$\psi_{210} = \psi_{2p_{z}} = N\rho e^{-\rho_{2}^{\prime}} \cos\theta$$

$$2p$$

$$2p$$

$$2p$$

$$p_{2p_{z}} = N\rho e^{-\rho_{2}^{\prime}} \cos\theta$$

$$\psi_{2p_{z}} = N\rho e^{-\rho_{2}^{\prime}} \sin\theta \cos\phi$$

$$\psi_{2p_{x}} = N\rho e^{-\rho_{2}^{\prime}} \sin\theta \sin\phi$$

$$p_{z} = N\rho e^{-\rho_{2}^{\prime}} \sin\theta \sin\phi$$

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Color/shading are related to sign of the wavefunction

<u>d-Orbitals</u>



n=3; l=2; m=0,±1, ±2









Green: -ve Red: +ve

<u>Cross-sections of Orbitals</u>



Hydrogen Wavefunctions



Orbitals: External Structure



Orbitals: Internal Stucture



Hydrogen atom & Orbitals

Hydrogen atom has only one electron, so why bother about all these orbitals?

- 1. Excited states
- 2. Spectra
- 3. Many electron atoms

Many Electron Atoms

Helium is the simplest many electron atom







Helium Atom

$$\begin{split} H &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_N} \nabla_N^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_1^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \left(\frac{Z_N e^2}{r_1} + \frac{Z_N e^2}{r_2} - \frac{e^2}{r_{12}} \right) \\ H &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_N} \nabla_N^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_1^2 - \frac{QZ_N e^2}{r_1} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{QZ_N e^2}{r_2} + \frac{Qe^2}{r_{12}}; Q = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \\ H_N &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_N} \nabla_N^2 \quad H_e = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_1^2 - \frac{QZ_N e^2}{r_1} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{QZ_N e^2}{r_2} + \frac{Qe^2}{r_2} + \frac{Qe^2}{r_2}; Q = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \\ H_N &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_N} \nabla_N^2 \quad H_e = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_1^2 - \frac{QZ_N e^2}{r_1} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{r_2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{r_2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{r_2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{r_2} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{r_2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{r_2$$

 $H_N \chi_N = E_n \chi_N \qquad H_e \psi_e = E_e \psi_e$

Helium Atom



$$H_{1} = -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m_{e}} \nabla_{1}^{2} - \frac{QZ_{N}e^{2}}{r_{1}} \text{ and } H_{2} = -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m_{e}} \nabla_{2}^{2} - \frac{QZ_{N}e^{2}}{r_{2}}$$

The Hamiltonians \hat{H}_{1} and \hat{H}_{1} are one electron Hamiltonians similar to that of hydrogen atom

$$H_{e}\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) = H_{1}\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + H_{2}\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + \frac{Qe^{2}}{r_{12}}\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2})$$

Orbital Approximation

$$\psi_e(r_1, \theta_1, \phi_1, r_2, \theta_2, \phi_2) = \psi_{1e}(r_1, \theta_1, \phi_1)\psi_{2e}(r_2, \theta_2, \phi_2)$$

$$\psi_e(1,2,3,\ldots n) \approx \phi(1) \cdot \phi(2) \cdot \phi(3) \cdots \phi(n)$$

Orbital is a one electron wavefunction

The total electronic wavefunction of n number of electrons can be written as a product of n one electron wavefunctions

$$H_{e}\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) = H_{1}\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + H_{2}\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + \frac{Qe^{2}}{r_{12}}\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2})$$

 $\psi_{e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1},r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) = \psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2})$

$$H_{e}\psi_{e} = H_{1}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + H_{2}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + \frac{Qe^{2}}{r_{12}}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2})$$

$$H_{e}\psi_{e} = H_{1}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + H_{2}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + \frac{Qe^{2}}{r_{12}}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2})$$

$$H_{e}\psi_{e} = \varepsilon_{1}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + \varepsilon_{2}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2}) + \frac{Qe^{2}}{r_{12}}\psi_{1e}(r_{1},\theta_{1},\phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2},\theta_{2},\phi_{2})$$

$$H_{e}\psi_{e} = \left(\varepsilon_{1} + \varepsilon_{2} + \frac{Qe^{2}}{r_{12}}\right) \left[\psi_{1e}(r_{1}, \theta_{1}, \phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2}, \theta_{2}, \phi_{2})\right]$$

$$\varepsilon_{1} = \varepsilon_{2} = -\frac{Z^{2}\mu e^{4}}{8\varepsilon_{0}^{2}h^{2}n^{2}} = \frac{-13.6Z^{2}}{n^{2}}eV$$

$$H_{e}\psi_{e} = \left(\varepsilon_{1} + \varepsilon_{2} + \frac{Qe^{2}}{r_{12}}\right) \left[\psi_{1e}(r_{1}, \theta_{1}, \phi_{1})\psi_{2e}(r_{2}, \theta_{2}, \phi_{2})\right]$$

If we ignore the term $\frac{Qe^2}{r_{12}}$

$$H_e \psi_e = \left(\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2\right) \left[\psi_{1e}(r_1, \theta_1, \phi_1)\psi_{2e}(r_2, \theta_2, \phi_2)\right]$$

 $\mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{He}} = \varepsilon_{1} + \varepsilon_{2} = -108.8 eV$

$$\psi_{e} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_{o}}\right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{Zr}{a_{o}}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_{o}}\right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{Zr}{a_{o}}}\right) = \psi_{1s}(1) \cdot \psi_{1s}(2)$$

$$E_{He} = \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 = -(54.4 + 54.4)eV = -108.8eV$$

 $E_{He} = -(24.59 + 54.4)eV = -78.99eV$ (Experimental)

