Useful quantum models in Chemistry

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Physical Chemistry I

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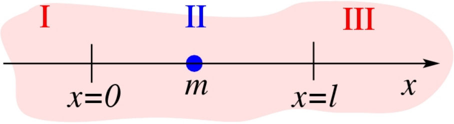
Schrödinger's equation



$$V(x) = \begin{cases} +\infty & x \leqslant 0 & \text{(I)} \\ 0 & 0 < x < L & \text{(II)} \\ +\infty & L \leqslant x & \text{(III)} \end{cases}$$

- Zones (I) and (III) $\Rightarrow |\psi(x)|^2 = 0 \rightarrow \psi_{\mathrm{I}}(x) = \psi_{\mathrm{III}}(x) = 0$
- Zone (II)

$$\hat{H}\psi = E\psi$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{d^2\psi(x)}{dx^2} + \underbrace{V(x)\psi(x)}_{0} = E\psi(x)$$

Schrödinger's equation

$$\frac{d^2\psi(x)}{dx^2} = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}\psi(x)$$

- Independent solutions

$$\psi_1(x) = \text{sen}(kx) \qquad \psi_2(x) = \cos(kx)$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi_1(x)}{dx^2} = -k^2\,\text{sen}(kx) \qquad \frac{d^2\psi_2(x)}{dx^2} = -k^2\cos(kx)$$

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

$$\psi(x) = A\,\psi_1(x) + B\,\psi_2(x) = A\,\text{sen}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}x\right) + B\cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}x\right)$$

Eigenfunctions and eigenvalues

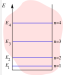
$$\psi(x) = A\,\text{sen}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}x\right) + B\cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}x\right)$$

- Continuity $x = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_{\mathrm{I}}(x=0) = \psi_{\mathrm{II}}(x=0)$

$$\begin{aligned} A\,\text{sen}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}0\right) + B\cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}0\right) &= 0 \\ A\cdot 0 + B\cdot 1 &= 0 \\ B &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

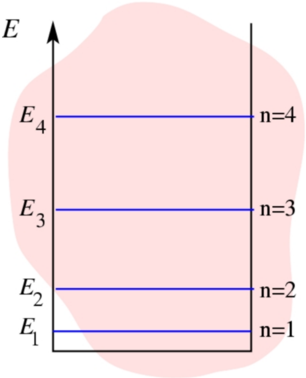
- Continuity $x = L \Rightarrow \psi_{\mathrm{II}}(x=L) = \psi_{\mathrm{III}}(x=L)$

$$A\cdot\text{sen}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}L\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}L = n\pi;\ \ n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots$$

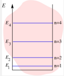


Quantization

$$\psi_{\mathrm{II}}(x) = A \,\mathrm{sen}\left(\frac{n\,\pi\,x}{L}\right); \quad n = 1, 2, \ldots \begin{cases} n = 0 & \text{no normalizable} \\ n < 0 & \text{phase factor} \end{cases}$$



- Quantization $E_n = \frac{h^2}{8mL^2}\, n^2$
  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$
- Ground state $\Rightarrow$ E_1
- Spacing $\Rightarrow$ $E_n = n^2\, E_1$



Normalization

- Normalization

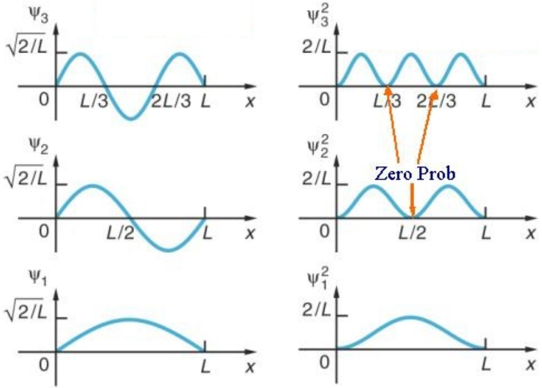
$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\psi(x)|^2 \, dx = 1$$

$$\underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{0} |\psi_{\mathrm{I}}(x)|^2 \, dx}_{0} + \int_{0}^{L} |\psi_{\mathrm{II}}(x)|^2 \, dx + \underbrace{\int_{L}^{+\infty} |\psi_{\mathrm{III}}(x)|^2 \, dx}_{0} = 1$$

$$|A|^2 \int_0^L \mathrm{sen}^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad |A| = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}}$$

$$\psi_{\mathrm{II}}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \, \mathrm{sen}\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

Plots



- Nodes $\psi(x_i) = 0$

Classical limit

Ex. electron vs melon

- Electron in a box

$$m = 9.1 \cdot 10^{-31}\ \mathrm{kg}$$
$$L = 10\,\text{Å}$$
$$E_n = 6 \cdot 10^{-20}\ n^2\ \mathrm{J}$$
$$\Delta E \sim 10^{-20}\ \mathrm{J}$$

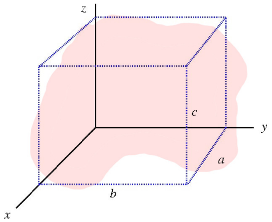
- Melon in a box

$$m = 1\ \mathrm{kg}$$
$$L = 1\ m$$
$$E_n = 4 \cdot 10^{-68}\ n^2\ \mathrm{J}$$
$$\Delta E \sim 10^{-68}\ \mathrm{J}$$

$$v = 1\ \mathrm{m/s} \Rightarrow\ E = 0.5\ \mathrm{J}$$
$$n = \sqrt{\frac{8mL^2E}{h^2}} \sim 10^{33}$$

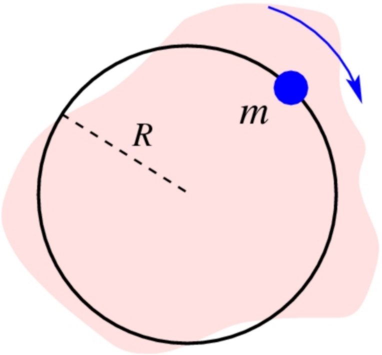
3D box

$$\hat{H}_{3D}(x,y,z) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2}+\frac{d^2}{dy^2}+\frac{d^2}{dz^2}\right)\begin{cases} 0 \le x \le a \\ 0 \le y \le b \\ 0 \le z \le c \end{cases}$$



- $\hat{H}_{3D}\Psi_{3D} = E_{3D}\Psi_{3D}$
- $\hat{H}_{3D}(x,y,z) = \hat{H}_{1D}(x) + \hat{H}_{1D}(y) + \hat{H}_{1D}(z)$
- $\Psi_{3D}(x,y,z) = \Psi_{1D}(x)\Psi_{1D}(y)\Psi_{1D}(z)$
- $\hat{H}_{1D}(\alpha)\Psi_{1D}(\alpha) = E_{1D}\Psi_{1D}(\alpha)\ (\alpha = x,y,z)$
- $E_{3D} = \frac{n_x^2 h^2}{8ma^2} + \frac{n_y^2 h^2}{8mb^2} + \frac{n_z^2 h^2}{8mc^2} \quad n_x, n_y, n_z = 1, 2, \ldots$

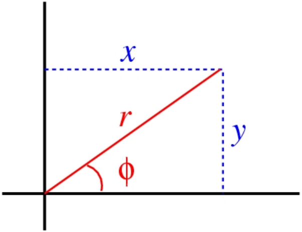
Model



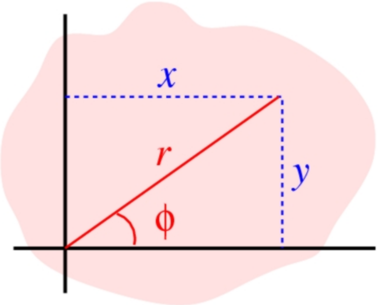
- Cartesian coord. (x, y)

$$x^2 + y^2 = R^2$$

- Polar coord. (r, ϕ)



Polar coordinates



- Transformations

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \qquad \phi = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

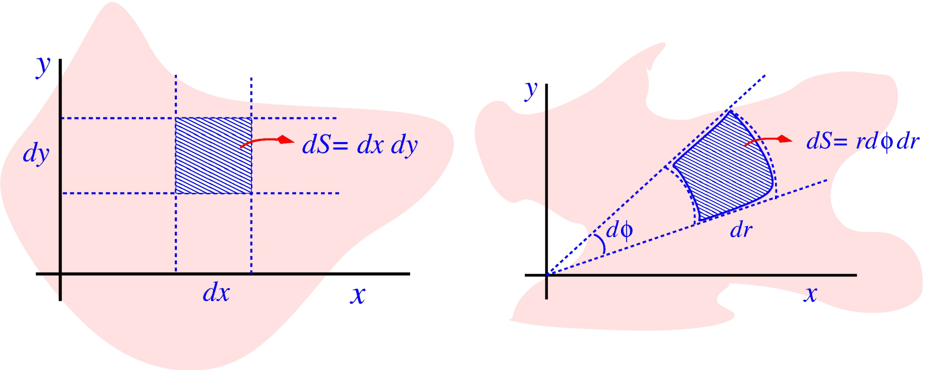
$$y = r \operatorname{sen} \phi \qquad x = r \cos \phi$$

- Intervals

$$r \in [0, +\infty)$$
$$\phi \in [0, 2\pi)$$

Polar coordinates

- Differential element of surface $\Rightarrow$ $dx\,dy = r\,dr\,d\phi$



$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x,y)\,dx\,dy = \int_{0}^{+\infty}\int_{0}^{2\pi} f(r,\phi)\,r\,dr\,d\phi$$

Eigenfunctions and eigenvalues

- Hamiltonian in polar coordinates

$$\hat{H}(x,y) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}\right)$$

$$\hat{H}(r,\phi) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2}\right)$$

$$\hat{H}(\phi) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\underbrace{mR^2}_{I}}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2}$$

- Schrödinger's equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2I}\frac{\partial^2\psi(\phi)}{\partial \phi^2} = E\psi(\phi)$$

Eigenfunctions and eigenvalues

- Independent solutions

$$\psi_1(\phi) = e^{k\phi} \qquad \psi_2(\phi) = e^{-k\phi}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi_1}{\partial \phi^2} = k^2 \psi_1 \qquad \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial \phi^2} = k^2 \psi_2$$

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{2IE}{\hbar^2}}\; i$$

$$\psi(\phi) = A\, e^{im\phi} + B\, e^{-im\phi} \qquad m = \sqrt{\frac{2IE}{\hbar^2}}$$

Degeneracy

- Single valued function $\Rightarrow \psi(\phi) = \psi(\phi + 2\pi)$

$$A\, e^{im\phi} + B\, e^{-im\phi} = A\, e^{im(\phi+2\pi)} + B\, e^{-im(\phi+2\pi)}$$

$$A\, e^{im\phi}\left(1 - e^{2\pi m\, i}\right) + B\, e^{-m\phi i}\left(1 - e^{-2\pi m\, i}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow\ 1 - e^{-2\pi m\, i} = e^{-2\pi m\, i}\left(e^{2\pi m\, i} - 1\right) = -e^{-2\pi m\, i}\left(1 - e^{2\pi m\, i}\right)$$

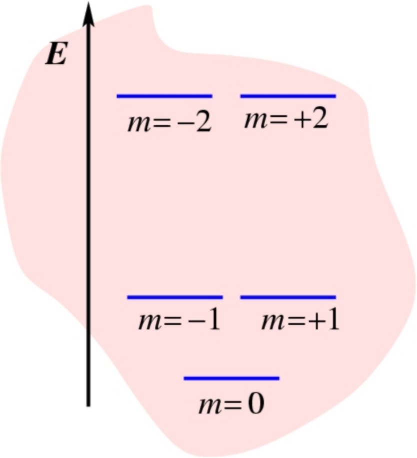
$$A\, e^{im\phi}\left(1 - e^{2\pi m\, i}\right) - B\, e^{-im\phi} e^{-2\pi m\, i}\left(1 - e^{2\pi m\, i}\right) = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\left(1 - e^{2\pi m\, i}\right)}_{0}\left(A\, e^{im\phi} - B\, e^{-im\phi} e^{-2\pi m\, i}\right) = 0$$

$$\cos(2m\pi) + i\,\mathrm{sen}(2m\pi) = 1 \Rightarrow\ m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots$$

Degeneracy

- Energy quantization $\Rightarrow E_m = \frac{\hbar^2 m^2}{2I}$



- Degeneracy

$$E_{-1} = E_1$$
$$E_{-2} = E_2$$
$$\ldots\ldots$$

Angular momentum

- Angular momentum operator ⇒ If particle moves in the xy plane then $L = l_z$

$$l_z = x p_y - y p_x \rightarrow \hat{l}_z = \frac{\hbar}{i}\left(x\frac{\partial}{\partial y} - y\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right) = \rightarrow \hat{l}_z = \frac{\hbar}{i}\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$

- Eigenfunctions and eigenvalues

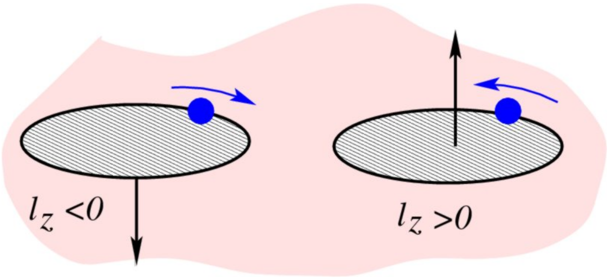
$$\hat{l}_z \psi(\phi) = \frac{\hbar}{i}\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}\left(A\, e^{im\phi} + B\, e^{-im\phi}\right) = m\hbar\left(A\, e^{im\phi} - B\, e^{-im\phi}\right)$$

$$= l_z\left(A\, e^{im\phi} + B\, e^{-im\phi}\right)$$

$$B = 0 \Rightarrow l_z = m\hbar$$

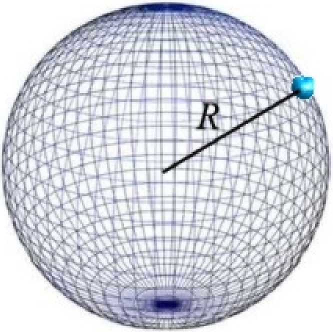
$$\psi(\phi) = A\, e^{im\phi} \qquad m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2 \ldots$$

Angular momentum



- Normalization $\Rightarrow$ $\int_0^{2\pi} |\psi(\phi)|^2 \, d\phi = 1 \Rightarrow |A| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$
- Probability density $\Rightarrow$ $\psi(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{im\phi} \Rightarrow |\psi(\phi)|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi}$

Model



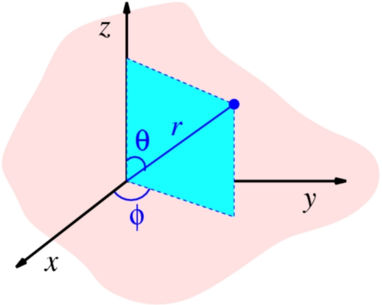
- Free motion on the surface

$$V(x, y, z) = 0$$

- Simple atomic model
- Cartesian coordinates

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = R^2$$

Spherical polar coordinates



- Spherical polar coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r\ \text{sen}\,\theta\ \cos\phi \\ y &= r\ \text{sen}\,\theta\ \text{sen}\,\phi \\ z &= r\ \cos\theta \end{aligned}$$

- Intervals $r \in [0, \infty)$, $\phi \in [0, 2\pi)$, $\theta \in [0, \pi)$

- Differential element of volume $\Rightarrow$ $d\tau = r^2\,\text{sen}\,\theta\, dr\, d\theta\, d\phi$

$$\iiint_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x,y,z)dxdydz = \int_0^{+\infty}\int_0^{\pi}\int_0^{2\pi} f(r,\theta,\phi)\, r^2\,\text{sen}\,\theta\; drd\theta d\phi$$

Energy and angular momentum

- Angular momentum

$$\hat{L}^2(\theta,\phi) = -\hbar^2 \left(\frac{1}{\mathrm{sen}^2\,\theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{1}{\mathrm{sen}\,\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \mathrm{sen}\,\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right)$$

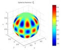
$$\hat{L}^2 Y_l^m(\theta,\phi) = L^2 Y_l^m(\theta,\phi) \rightarrow \; L^2 = l(l+1)\hbar^2 \rightarrow \; l = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$$

- Energy $\Rightarrow \hat{H} = \frac{\hat{L}^2}{2\underbrace{mR^2}_{I}} \Rightarrow E = l(l+1)\frac{\hbar^2}{2I}$

- z component angular momentum

$$\hat{L}_z = \frac{\hbar}{i}\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \rightarrow \; \hat{L}_z Y_l^m(\theta,\phi) = L_z Y_l^m(\theta,\phi)$$

$$L_z = m\hbar \qquad m = -l, -l+1, \ldots, 0, \ldots, l-1, l$$



Spherical Harmonics

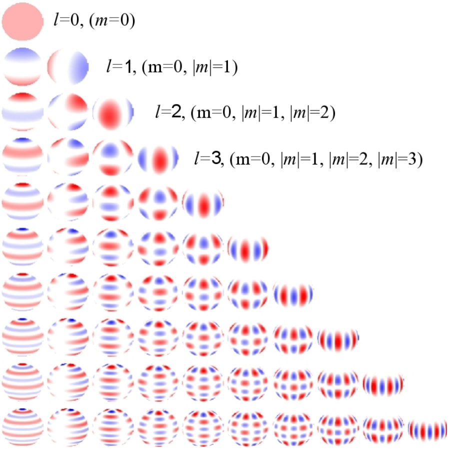
- Spherical Harmonics $\Rightarrow Y_l^m(\theta,\phi) = \Theta_{l,m}(\theta)\Phi_m(\phi)$

$$\Phi_m(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\, e^{im\phi}$$

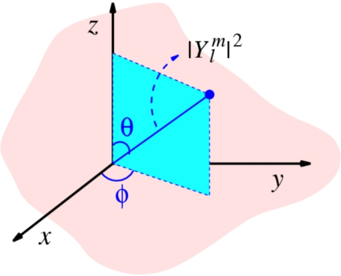
$\Theta_{l,m}(\theta) \Rightarrow$ Associated Legendre's functions

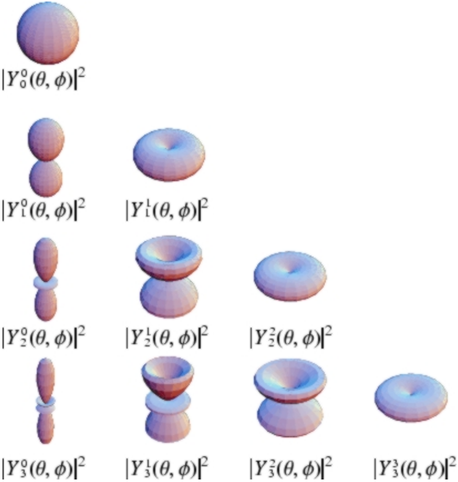
l	m	$Y_l^m(\theta,\phi)$
0	0	$1/\sqrt{4\pi}$
1	0	$\sqrt{3/4\pi}\,\cos\theta$
	± 1	$\pm\sqrt{3/8\pi}\,\text{sen}\,\theta\, e^{\pm i\phi}$

Probability density



Polar representations





Notation

l	Symbol	
0	s	sharp
1	p	principal
2	d	diffuse
3	f	fundamental
4	g	alphabetical order
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

$m \Rightarrow$ subscript if $l \neq 0$

- Examples

$$Y_0^0 \rightarrow s \qquad Y_1^0 \rightarrow p_0$$

$$Y_1^1 \rightarrow p_1 \qquad Y_1^{-1} \rightarrow p_{-1}$$

$$Y_2^0 \rightarrow d_0 \qquad Y_2^2 \rightarrow d_2$$

$\hat{L}_x, \hat{L}_y$?

- $[\hat{L}_x, \hat{L}_z] \neq 0$, $[\hat{L}_y, \hat{L}_z] \neq 0$