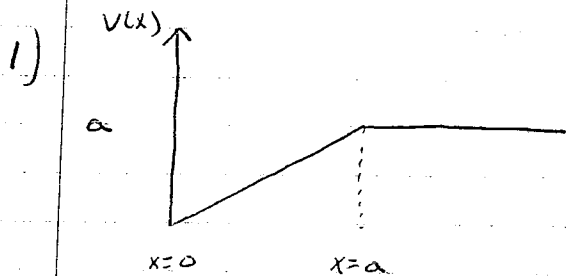


# H.W solutions #9



note since region does not extend to  $\infty$  cannot remove  $B_i$  term

$$x < 0 \quad \psi(x) = 0$$

$$x > a \quad \psi(x) = C e^{-kx} \quad k = \frac{\sqrt{2m(a-E)}}{\hbar}$$

$$0 < x < a \quad \psi(x) = b A_i \left( \frac{x-\sigma}{\rho} \right) + f B_i \left( \frac{x-\sigma}{\rho} \right) \quad \rho = \left( \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \right)^{1/3} \quad \sigma = E$$

B.C. at  $x=0$

$$\psi(0) = 0 \Rightarrow b A_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right) + f B_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad b = \frac{-f B_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right)}{A_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right)}$$

B.C. at  $x=a$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad b A_i \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) + f B_i \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) = C e^{-ka}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{b}{\rho} A_i' \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) + \frac{f}{\rho} B_i' \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) = -C k e^{-ka}$$

Substituting  $\textcircled{1}$  into  $\textcircled{2} + \textcircled{3}$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad -\frac{f B_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right)}{A_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right)} A_i \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) + f B_i \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) = C e^{-ka}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad -\frac{f B_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right)}{\rho A_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right)} A_i' \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) + \frac{f}{\rho} B_i' \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) = -C k e^{-ka}$$

dividing  $\textcircled{5}/\textcircled{4}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-B_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right) A_i' \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho} B_i' \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right)}{\rho A_i \left( \frac{-\sigma}{\rho} \right) A_i \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right) + B_i \left( \frac{a-\sigma}{\rho} \right)} = -k$$

$$\rho \equiv \text{const so } \text{sed} = 1 \quad \sigma = E \quad E = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} - a$$

$$\frac{-B_i(-E) A_i'(a-E) + B_i'(a-E)}{A_i(-E)} = \frac{\sqrt{2m(a-E)}}{\hbar}$$

$$\frac{-B_i(-E)}{A_i(-E)} A_i(a-E) + B_i(a-E)$$

since we set  $\rho = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} = 1 \Rightarrow \hbar^2 = 2m$  so right hand side =

$$\sqrt{a-E}$$

$$\frac{-B_i(-E) A_i'(a-E) + B_i'(a-E)}{A_i(-E)} = \sqrt{a-E}$$

$$\frac{-B_i(-E)}{A_i(-E)} A_i(a-E) + B_i(a-E)$$

This can be solved analytically for  $E$

using Mathematica one finds that  $a > \sim 2.7$

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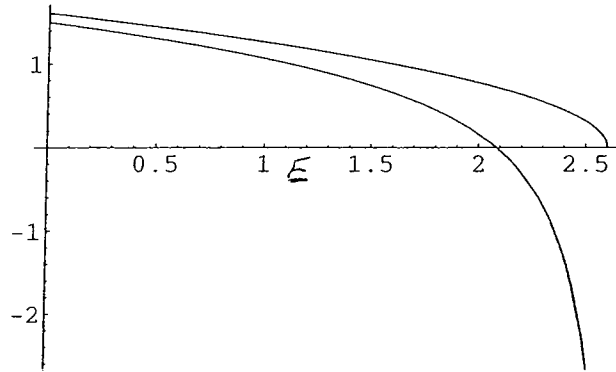
Plots of

$$\frac{-Bi(-E)}{Ai(-E)} \quad Ai'(a-E) + Bi'(a-E)$$

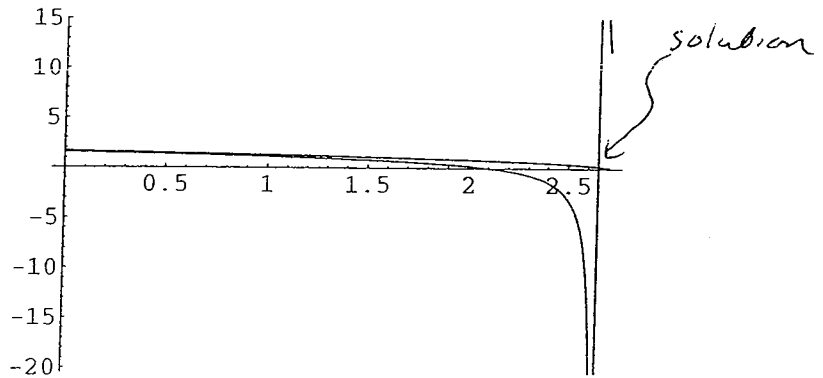
and  $\sqrt{a-E}$

$$\frac{-Bi(-E)}{Ai(-E)} \quad Ai(a-E) + Bi(a-E)$$

$a = 2.6$



$a = 2.7$



$$2) a) \begin{cases} V(x) = mgx & x > 0 \\ V(x) = \infty & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$b) -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + mgx\psi = E\psi$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = \frac{2m^2g}{\hbar^2} (x - E/mg)\psi \quad \text{let } y = x - E/mg$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dy^2} = \alpha^2 y \psi$$

$$\text{and } \alpha = \left(\frac{2m^2g}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$\text{if } z = \alpha y \quad \frac{d^2}{dy^2} = \alpha^2 \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \Rightarrow \alpha^2 \frac{d^2\psi}{dz^2} = \alpha^3 y \psi$$

$$= \frac{d^2\psi}{dz^2} = \alpha y \psi \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{d^2\psi}{dz^2} = z \psi}}$$

$$\text{so } \psi = \alpha \text{Ai}(z) \Rightarrow \boxed{\psi(x) = \alpha \text{Ai}(\alpha(x - E/mg)) \text{ where } \alpha = \left(\frac{2m^2g}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/3}}$$

$$c) V(x) = \infty \text{ for } x < 0 \text{ so } \psi(0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ai}(\alpha(-E/mg)) = 0$$

The zeroes of Airy function are:

$$-2.338, -4.087, -5.521, -6.787$$

$$\text{so } \frac{-\alpha E}{mg} = y_n^+ \quad \text{where } y_n^+ \text{ are } \phi\text{'s of Airy function}$$

$$E_n = -\frac{y_n^+ mg}{\alpha} = -y_n^+ mg \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m^2g}\right)^{1/3} = -y_n^+ \left(\frac{1}{2} mg^2 \hbar^2\right)^{1/3}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} mg^2 \hbar^2\right)^{1/3} = \left[\frac{1}{2} (0.1 \text{ kg} \times 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)^2 (1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s})^2\right]^{1/3} = 3.77 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } E_1 &= 8.81 \times 10^{-43} \text{ J} \\ E_2 &= 1.54 \times 10^{-42} \text{ J} \\ E_3 &= 2.08 \times 10^{-42} \text{ J} \\ E_4 &= 2.56 \times 10^{-42} \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$d) \quad 2 \langle T \rangle = \langle x \frac{dV}{dx} \rangle$$

$$\frac{dV}{dx} = mg \quad \text{so} \quad \langle x \frac{dV}{dx} \rangle = \langle mgx \rangle = \langle V \rangle$$

$$\text{so } \langle T \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle V \rangle$$

$$\langle T \rangle + \langle V \rangle = E_n \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} \langle V \rangle = E_n \Rightarrow \langle V \rangle = \frac{2}{3} E_n$$

$$\langle V \rangle = mg \langle x \rangle \quad \text{so}$$

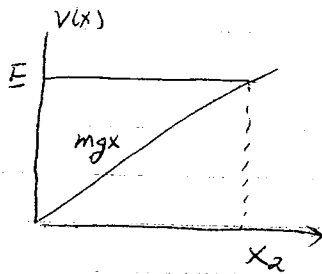
$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{2E_n}{3mg}$$

$$\text{for electron } E_1 = 1.84 \times 10^{-32} \text{ J or } \boxed{1.15 \times 10^{-13} \text{ eV}}$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{2(1.84 \times 10^{-32} \text{ J})}{3(9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)} = 1.37 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m or } \boxed{1.37 \text{ mm}}$$

3) since potential is infinite at  $x=0$

$$\int_0^{x_2} p(x) dx = (n-1/4)\pi\hbar \quad p(x) = \sqrt{2m(E-mgx)}$$



$$E = mgx_2 \Rightarrow x_2 = E/mg$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{x_2} p(x) dx &= \sqrt{2m} \int_0^{x_2} \sqrt{E-mgx} dx = \sqrt{2m} \left[ -\frac{2}{3mg} (E-mgx)^{3/2} \right] \Big|_0^{x_2} \\ &= -\frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} \frac{1}{g} \left\{ (E-mgx_2)^{3/2} - E^{3/2} \right\} = \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} \frac{1}{g} E^{3/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{1}{3\sqrt{m}g} (2E)^{3/2} = (n-1/4)\pi\hbar \text{ or}$$

$$E_n = \left[ \frac{9}{8} \pi^2 m g^2 \hbar^2 (n-1/4)^2 \right]^{1/3}$$

$$b) \left( \frac{9}{8} \pi^2 m g^2 \hbar^2 \right)^{1/3} = 1.0588 \times 10^{-22} \text{ J} = E$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= E (3/4)^{2/3} = 8.74 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J} \\ E_2 &= E (5/4)^{2/3} = 1.54 \times 10^{-22} \text{ J} \\ E_3 &= E (7/4)^{2/3} = 2.08 \times 10^{-22} \text{ J} \\ E_4 &= E (9/4)^{2/3} = 2.56 \times 10^{-22} \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$c) \text{ From 2d } \langle x \rangle = \frac{2E_n}{3mg} \Rightarrow 1 \text{ m} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1.0588 \times 10^{-22} \text{ J}}{(0.1 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)} (n-1/4)^{2/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (n-1/4)^{2/3} = 1.388 \times 10^{22} \quad n = 1/4 + (1.388 \times 10^{22})^{3/2} \Rightarrow n = 1.64 \times 10^{33}$$

$$4 \quad V(x) = -\frac{\hbar^2 a^2}{m} \operatorname{sech}^2(ax)$$

$$\int p(x) dx = (n - 1/2) \pi \hbar$$

Since  $V(x)$  symmetric we get

$$2 \int_0^{x_2} \sqrt{2m \left( E + \frac{\hbar^2 a^2}{m} \operatorname{sech}^2(ax) \right)} dx = (n - 1/2) \pi \hbar$$

$$x_2 \text{ is defined where } E = -\frac{\hbar^2 a^2}{m} \operatorname{sech}^2(ax_2)$$

rewrite integral

$$2\sqrt{2} \hbar a \int_0^{x_2} \sqrt{\operatorname{sech}^2(ax) + \frac{mE}{\hbar^2 a^2}} dx$$

$$\text{let } b = -\frac{mE}{\hbar^2 a^2} \text{ and } z = \operatorname{sech}^2(ax)$$

$$x = \frac{1}{a} \operatorname{sech}^{-1} \sqrt{z} \quad dx = \frac{1}{a} \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{z} \sqrt{1-z}} \right) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{z}} dz = \frac{-1}{2a} \frac{1}{z\sqrt{1-z}} dz$$

$$(n - \frac{1}{2}) \pi = 2\sqrt{2} a \left( \frac{-1}{2a} \right) \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \frac{\sqrt{z-b}}{z\sqrt{1-z}} dz$$

$$\text{limits } x=0 \quad z = \operatorname{sech}^2(0) = 1$$

$$\text{at } x=x_2 \quad V=E \Rightarrow \operatorname{sech}^2(ax_2) = -\frac{mE}{\hbar^2 a^2} = b = z_2$$

so we get

$$(n - \frac{1}{2}) \pi = \sqrt{2} \int_b^1 \frac{1}{z} \sqrt{\frac{z-b}{1-z}} dz \quad \text{look up integral}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (n - \frac{1}{2})\pi &= \sqrt{2} \left\{ -2 \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{1-z}{z-b}} - \sqrt{b} \sin^{-1} \left[ \frac{(1+b)z - 2b}{z(1-b)} \right] \right\} \Big|_b^1 \\
 &= \sqrt{2} \left\{ -2 \tan^{-1}(0) + 2 \tan^{-1}(\infty) - \sqrt{b} \sin^{-1}(1) + \sqrt{b} \sin^{-1}(-1) \right\} \\
 &= \sqrt{2} (0 + 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} - \sqrt{b} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} - \sqrt{b} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}) = \sqrt{2} (\pi(1 - \sqrt{b}))
 \end{aligned}$$

so

$$(n - \frac{1}{2})\pi = \sqrt{2} (\pi(1 - \sqrt{b})) \Rightarrow \frac{n - \frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = 1 - \sqrt{b}$$

$$\sqrt{b} = 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (n - \frac{1}{2}) \quad \text{LHS positive so}$$

$$(n - \frac{1}{2}) < \sqrt{2} \text{ so } n < 1.914 \text{ so only solution is } n = 1$$

so for  $n = 1$

$$\sqrt{b} = 1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow b = \frac{9}{8} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{so } E_1 = \frac{-\hbar^2 a^2}{m} \left( \frac{9}{8} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

5)

$$V_{\text{eff}} = V + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \quad V = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$V_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2}$$

$$(n - 1/2)\pi\hbar = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} p(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} (n - 1/2)\pi\hbar &= \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \sqrt{2m \left( E + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{2m r^2} \right)} dr \\ &= \sqrt{-2mE} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \sqrt{-1 + A/r - B/r^2} dr \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } A = \frac{-e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{E} \quad B = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{l(l+1)}{E}$$

note  $A, B > 0$  since  $E < 0$

$$\Rightarrow (n - 1/2)\pi\hbar = \sqrt{-2mE} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\sqrt{-r^2 + Ar - B}}{r} dr$$

$r_1, r_2$  are points at which  $E = V$  ~~or~~  $E - V = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  these are the roots of numerator

$$E - V = \sqrt{-2mE} \frac{\sqrt{-r^2 + Ar - B}}{r} \quad \text{this only occurs when } -r^2 + Ar - B = 0$$

$$\text{so } (-r^2 + Ar - B) = (r - r_1)(r_2 - r)$$

$$(n - 1/2)\pi\hbar = \sqrt{-2mE} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\sqrt{(r - r_1)(r_2 - r)}}{r} dr = \sqrt{-2mE} \pi/2 (\sqrt{r_2} - \sqrt{r_1})^2$$

$$2(n - 1/2)\hbar = \sqrt{-2mE} (r_2 + r_1 - 2\sqrt{r_1 r_2})$$

rewrite in terms of  $A, B \Rightarrow -r^2 + Ar - B = (r - r_1)(r_2 - r) = -r^2 + (r_1 + r_2)r - r_1 r_2$

$$\Rightarrow A = r_1 + r_2 \quad B = r_1 r_2$$

$$\text{so } 2(n - 1/2)\hbar = \sqrt{-2mE} (A - 2\sqrt{B})$$

$$2(n-1/2)\hbar = \sqrt{-2mE} \left( \frac{-e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{E} - 2 \sqrt{\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{l(l+1)}{E}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sqrt{\frac{2m}{E}} - 2\hbar \sqrt{l(l+1)}$$

so

$$\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sqrt{\frac{2m}{E}} = 2\hbar [n-1/2 + \sqrt{l(l+1)}]$$

$$\frac{-E}{2m} = \frac{\left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\right)^2}{4\hbar^2 [n-1/2 + \sqrt{l(l+1)}]^2}$$

$$E = \frac{-m/2\hbar^2 \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\right)^2}{[n-1/2 + \sqrt{l(l+1)}]^2} = \boxed{\frac{-13.6 \text{ eV}}{[n-1/2 + \sqrt{l(l+1)}]^2} = E}$$

for  $n \gg l$  +  $n \gg 1/2$

$$\boxed{E = \frac{-13.6 \text{ eV}}{n^2}}$$