

Summary of S-states of H-atom

The “s-states” ($l=0, m=0$) of the Coulomb potential have no angular dependence. In general:

$$\psi_{nlm}(r, \theta, \phi) = R_{nl}(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

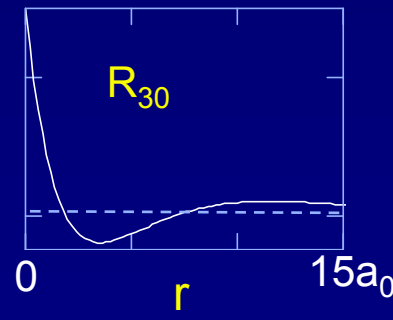
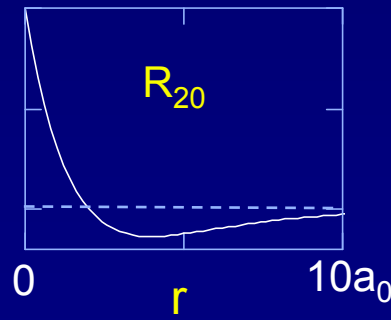
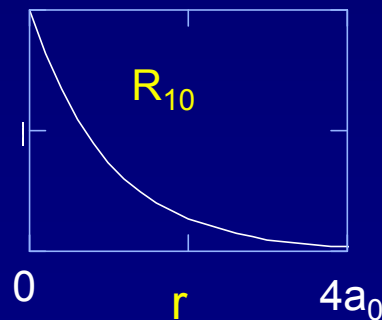
but:

$$\psi_{n00}(r, \theta, \phi) \propto R_{n0}(r)$$

because $Y_{00}(\theta, \phi)$ is a constant.

S-state wave functions are spherically symmetric.

Some s-state wave functions (radial part):



$|\psi_{20}(r, \theta, \phi)|^2 :$

