

8.39) a) VERIFY THAT

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) = \frac{2m_e}{\hbar^2} \left[-\frac{ke^2}{r} + \frac{\hbar^2 R}{n^2} \right] (rR) \quad (8.79)$$

CAN BE WRITTEN AS

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) = \left(\frac{1}{n^2 a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B r} \right) (rR) \quad (8.107)$$

b) FOR $n=1$, PROVE $R_{1s} = e^{-r/a_B}$ IS A SOLUTION.

a) USING DEFINITIONS FROM THE BOHR ATOM,

$$a_B = \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e k e^2} \quad \text{AND} \quad \frac{\hbar^2 R}{n^2} = \frac{ke^2}{2a_B}$$

IN 8.79 GIVES

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) &= \left[-\frac{2m_e k e^2}{r \hbar^2} + \frac{2m_e}{\hbar^2 n^2} \left(\frac{ke^2}{2a_B} \right) \right] (rR) \\ &= \left[-\frac{2}{r} \left(\frac{m_e k e^2}{\hbar^2} \right) + \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\frac{m_e k e^2}{\hbar^2} \right) \frac{1}{a_B} \right] (rR) \\ &= \left[-\frac{2}{a_B r} + \frac{1}{n^2 a_B^2} \right] (rR) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) = \left(\frac{1}{n^2 a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B r} \right) (rR)} \quad \text{QED!} \quad (8.107)$$

b) For $n=1$, $R_{1s} = e^{-r/a_B}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) &= \frac{d^2}{dr^2} \left(r e^{-r/a_B} \right) = \frac{d}{dr} \left[\left(1 - \frac{r}{a_B} \right) e^{-r/a_B} \right] \\ &= \left[-\frac{1}{a_B} + \left(1 - \frac{r}{a_B} \right) \left(-\frac{1}{a_B} \right) \right] e^{-r/a_B} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2} (rR) = \left(\frac{r}{a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B} \right) e^{-r/a_B} \quad (1)$$



8.39) CONTINUED

THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF (8.107) FOR $n=1$ AND $R(r) = e^{-r/a_B}$

$$\left(\frac{1}{a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B r} \right) (r e^{-r/a_B}) = \left(\frac{r}{a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B} \right) e^{-r/a_B}$$

SETTING THIS EQUAL TO THE LEFT-HAND SIDE, (1)

$$\left(\frac{r}{a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B} \right) e^{-r/a_B} = \left(\frac{r}{a_B^2} - \frac{2}{a_B} \right) e^{-r/a_B}$$

$$1 = 1 \quad \text{QED!}$$

YES! $R(r) = e^{-r/a_B}$ IS A SOLUTION!

... AND ALL IS RIGHT
WITH THE WORLD!

... YET! DON'T I WISIT!