

The Wigner Function for the 3p State of the 1D Hydrogen Atom

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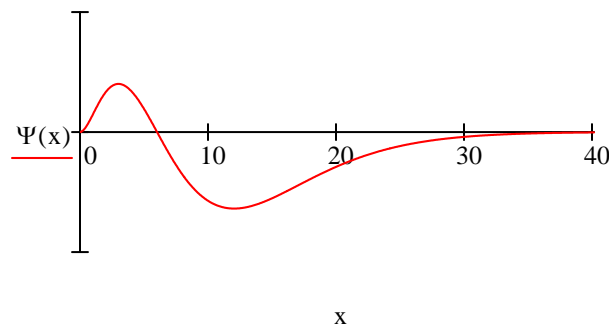
This tutorial presents three pictures of the 3p state of the one-dimensional hydrogen atom using its position, momentum and phase-space representations.

The energy operator for the one-dimensional hydrogen atom in atomic units is:

$$\frac{-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{L \cdot (L + 1)}{2 \cdot x^2} - \frac{1}{x}$$

The 3p wave function is:

$$\Psi(x) := \frac{8}{27 \cdot \sqrt{6}} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{x}{6}\right) \cdot x^2 \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-x}{3}\right) \quad \int_0^{\infty} \Psi(x)^2 dx = 1$$

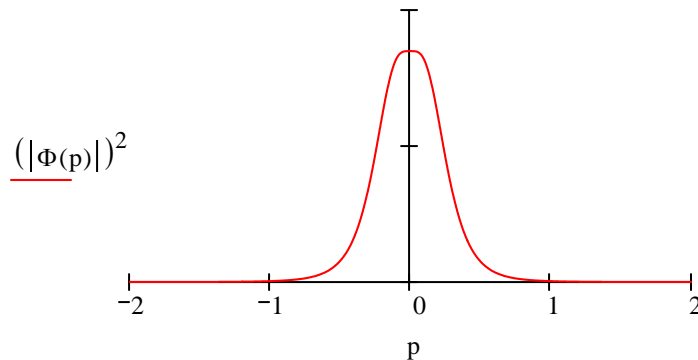


The 3p state energy is $-0.0556 E_h$.

$$\frac{-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \Psi(x) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \Psi(x) - \frac{1}{x} \cdot \Psi(x) = E \cdot \Psi(x) \text{ solve, } E \rightarrow \frac{-1}{18} = -0.0556$$

The momentum wave function is generated by the following Fourier transform of the coordinate space wave function.

$$\Phi(p) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \cdot \int_0^{\infty} \exp(-i \cdot p \cdot x) \cdot \Psi(x) dx \rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 6^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{(-1) + 6 \cdot i \cdot p}{(3 \cdot i \cdot p + 1)^4 \cdot \pi^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

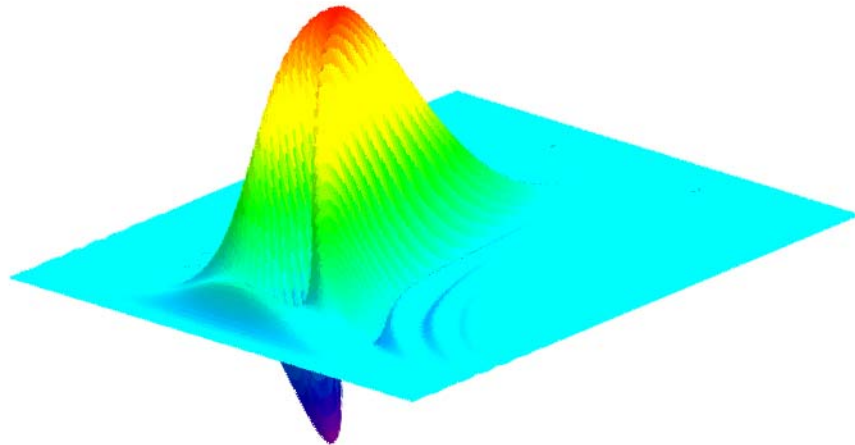


The Wigner function (phase-space representation) for the 3p state is generated using the momentum wave function.

$$W(x, p) := \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \overline{\Phi\left(p + \frac{s}{2}\right)} \cdot \exp(-i \cdot s \cdot x) \cdot \Phi\left(p - \frac{s}{2}\right) ds$$

The Wigner distribution is displayed graphically.

$$N := 150 \quad i := 0..N \quad x_i := \frac{35 \cdot i}{N} \quad j := 0..N \quad p_j := -2 + \frac{4 \cdot j}{N} \quad \text{Wigner}_{i,j} := W(x_i, p_j)$$



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