

PHYS 598 AQG HW1

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1. Q1 Foot 2.4 [1 pts]

Using the electronic wavefunction:

$$\psi(r) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi a_0^3}} e^{-r/a_0} \quad (1)$$

we calculate the probability of finding electron "inside" of a proton:

$$P_b = \int d^3r |\psi(r)|^2 = 4\pi \int_0^{r_b} dr \frac{r^2}{\pi a_0^3} e^{-2r/a_0} \simeq \frac{4}{a_0^3} \int_0^{r_b} dr r^2 \left(1 - \frac{2r}{a_0}\right) \quad (2)$$

$$P_b = \frac{4r_b^3}{3a_0^3} - \frac{2r_b^4}{a_0^4} + \mathcal{O}\left[\left(\frac{r_b}{a_0}\right)^5\right] \quad (3)$$

Using this probability and assuming it is uniformly distributed (to a good approximation it is), we calculate electronic charge density in a "proton region":

$$\rho_e = -\frac{eP}{V} = -\frac{e}{\pi a_0^3} \left(1 - \frac{2r_b}{a_0} + \mathcal{O}\left[\left(\frac{r_b}{a_0}\right)^2\right]\right) \quad (4)$$

2. Q2 [3.5 pts]

(a) [0.75 pts]

Naturally we choose $V(r \rightarrow \infty) = 0$. Then from Gauss' law:

$$E_r(r > r_p) = \frac{e}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{\rho_p r_p^3}{3\epsilon_0 r^2} \quad (5)$$

$$E_r(r < r_p) = \frac{e}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} = \frac{\rho_p r}{3\epsilon_0} \quad (6)$$

Thus the electrostatic potential $V(r) = -\int_{\infty}^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = -\int_{\infty}^r E_r dr$ is equal to:

$$V(r > r_p) = \frac{e}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} = \frac{\rho_p r_p^3}{3\epsilon_0 r} \quad (7)$$

$$V(r < r_p) = V(r_p) - \int_{r_p}^r E_r dr = \frac{e}{8\pi\epsilon_0 r_p} \left(3 - \frac{r^2}{r_p^2}\right) = \frac{\rho_p r_p^2}{2\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{3r_p^2}\right) \quad (8)$$

(b) [1.75 pts]

$$H = H^0 + H' \quad (9)$$

where H^0 is the Hamiltonian for a point-like proton and H' -perturbation due to a finite size of the proton:

$$H'(r > r_p) = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$H'(r < r_p) = \frac{e\rho_p r_p^2}{2\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{3r_p^2} - \frac{2r_p}{3r}\right) \quad (11)$$

Using the first order perturbation theory we estimate the shift of the ground state to be:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 1s|H'|1s\rangle &= 4\pi \int_0^{r_p} dr r^2 |\psi(r)|^2 H'(r) = \frac{2e\rho_p r_p^2}{a_0^3 \epsilon_0} \int_0^{r_p} dr r^2 e^{-2r/a_0} \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{3r_p^2} - \frac{2r_p}{3r}\right) \simeq \\ &\simeq \frac{2e\rho_p r_p^2}{a_0^3 \epsilon_0} \int_0^{r_p} dr r^2 \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{3r_p^2} - \frac{2r_p}{3r}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$\langle 1s|H'|1s\rangle = \frac{2e\rho_p r_p^5}{15a_0^3 \epsilon_0} = \frac{4r_p^2}{5a_0^2} hcR_\infty = 3.87 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{eV} \quad (13)$$

(c) [1 pts]

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 2s|H'|2s\rangle &= \frac{e\rho_p r_p^2}{4a_0^3 \epsilon_0} \int_0^{r_p} dr r^2 e^{-2r/a_0} \left(1 - \frac{r}{a_0}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{3r_p^2} - \frac{2r_p}{3r}\right) \simeq \\ &\simeq \frac{e\rho_p r_p^2}{4a_0^3 \epsilon_0} \int_0^{r_p} dr r^2 \left(1 - \frac{r}{a_0}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{3r_p^2} - \frac{2r_p}{3r}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$\langle 2s|H'|2s\rangle = \frac{r_p^2}{a_0^2} \left(\frac{1}{10} - \frac{r_p}{12a_0} + \frac{3r_p^2}{140a_0^2}\right) \text{Ry} = 4.84 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{eV} \quad (15)$$

We note that both $\langle 1s|H'|1s\rangle$ and $\langle 2s|H'|2s\rangle$ scale with r_p quadratically (at least the dominant term does). Thus to detect the 1% change in proton radius in $2s \rightarrow 1s$ transition in H we would require a fractional accuracy of:

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\left(\langle 2s|H'_{1.01F}|2s\rangle - \langle 1s|H'_{1.01F}|1s\rangle\right) - \left(\langle 2s|H'_{1.00F}|2s\rangle - \langle 1s|H'_{1.00F}|1s\rangle\right)}{E_{2s \rightarrow 1s}} = \\ &= \frac{(1.01^2 - 1)(38.7 - 4.8) \cdot 10^{-10} \text{eV}}{\frac{3}{4} \cdot 13.6 \text{eV}} = 6.68 \cdot 10^{-12} \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

which corresponds to the absolute shift of $6.814 \cdot 10^{-11} \text{eV}$ or 16.48kHz .

3. **Q3 Foot 3.5a** [2.5 pts]

(a) [1 pt]

$$J_{1s^2} = 2 \cdot \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a_0^6} \int_0^\infty \left[\int_0^{r_2} 4Z^3 e^{-2Zr_1/a_0} r_1^2 dr_1 \right] 4Z^3 e^{-2Zr_2/a_0} r_2 dr_2 \quad (17)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{2Z}{a_0} \quad (18)$$

$$\int_0^{r_2} r_1^2 e^{\alpha r_1} dr_1 = \frac{1}{\alpha^3} \left(2 - e^{-\alpha r_2} - 2\alpha r_2 e^{-\alpha r_2} - \alpha^2 r_2^2 e^{-\alpha r_2} \right) \quad (19)$$

$$\int_0^\infty r_2 \left(2 - e^{-\alpha r_2} - 2\alpha r_2 e^{-\alpha r_2} - \alpha^2 r_2^2 e^{-\alpha r_2} \right) dr_2 = \frac{5}{8\alpha^2} \quad (20)$$

$$J_{1s^2} = \frac{5Z e^2}{32\pi\epsilon_0 a_0} = \frac{5Z}{4} \text{Ry} = 34 \text{eV} \quad (21)$$

(b) [1.5 pt]

Trial function: $\psi(r, Z) = \sqrt{\frac{Z^3}{\pi a_0^3}} e^{-Zr/a_0}$. Evaluating the ground state energy as a function of Z without the el-el interaction:

$$\langle \psi(Z) | H_0 | \psi(Z) \rangle = \frac{Z^3}{\pi a_0^3} \cdot 4\pi \int_0^\infty e^{-Zr/a_0} \left(-\frac{\hbar^2 d^2}{2m dr^2} - \frac{e^2 Z}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \right) e^{-Zr/a_0} dr = (Z^2 - 4Z) \text{Ry} \quad (22)$$

Now taking into account the el-el interaction:

$$E_G(Z) = 2 \cdot \langle \psi(Z) | H_0 | \psi(Z) \rangle + V_{el-el} = (2Z^2 - 8Z + \frac{5}{4}Z) \text{Ry} = (2Z^2 - \frac{27}{4}Z) \text{Ry} \quad (23)$$

Minimizing $E_G(Z)$ with respect to Z , we obtain $E_{min} = -77.46 \text{ eV}$ with $Z_{min} = 1.688$.

4. **Q4 Foot 4.3** [1 pts]

$$E = \frac{\text{Ry}}{(n - \delta_l)^2} \quad (24)$$

Orbital	E (eV)	n^*	δ_l
3s	5.14	1.63	1.37
4s	1.92	2.66	1.34
5s	1.01	3.67	1.33
6s	0.63	4.64	1.36

δ_l varies within 3%.

The binding energy of the 8s orbital for Na:

$$E = \frac{13.6}{(8 - 1.35)^2} = 0.31 \text{eV} \quad (25)$$

while for H:

$$E = \frac{13.6}{8^2} = 0.21 \text{eV} \quad (26)$$

5. **Q5 Foot 4.4** [1 pts]

Rb \rightarrow [Kr]5s¹

$$E^{5s} = \frac{13.6}{(5 - \delta_l)^2} = 4.17(\text{eV}) \quad (27)$$

$$\delta_l = 3.19 \quad (28)$$

$$E^{7s} = \frac{13.6}{(7 - 3.19)^2} = 0.94(\text{eV}) \quad (29)$$

$$\Delta E = 4.17 - 0.94(\text{eV}) = 3.23(\text{eV}) = 2h\nu = \frac{2hc}{\lambda} = 2 \cdot \frac{1240\text{eV} \cdot \text{nm}}{\lambda} \quad (30)$$

$$\lambda = 768\text{nm} \quad (31)$$

6. **Q6 Foot 4.7** [1 pts]

$$\Delta E_{FS} = \frac{Z_i^2 Z_0^2}{(n^*)^3 l(l+1)} \alpha^2 \text{ Ry} \quad (32)$$

For 3p configuration of Na¹⁰⁺: $Z_i = Z_0 = 11$, $n^* = 3$, $\Delta E_{FS} = 0.2 \text{ eV}$. This fine structure splitting is much larger than the fine structure splitting for the same orbital of a neutral Sodium and Hydrogen bc/ of the Z^4 scaling (to be compared with $(Z = 11)^2$ scaling in Na or $(Z = 1)^4$ in H).