

According to quantum Mechanics, the e^- cloud for a hydrogen atom in the ground state has a charge density

$$\rho(r) = \frac{q}{\pi a^3} e^{-2r/a}$$

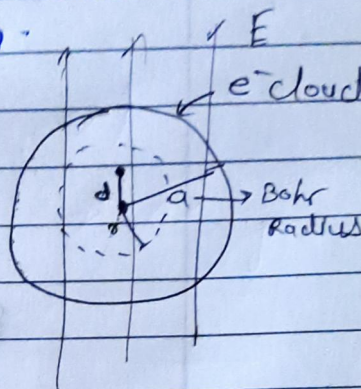
where q is the charge of e^- and a is the Bohr radius. Find the atomic polarisability of such atom [Hint: First calculate the electric field of the electron cloud $E_e(r)$; then expand the exponential, assuming $r \ll a$].

$$\vec{p} = \alpha \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \vec{p}$$

Given

$$\rho(r) = \frac{q}{\pi a^3} e^{-2r/a}$$



by Gauss's law:

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$q_{enc} = \int \rho d\tau = \frac{q}{\pi a^3} \int e^{-2r/a} \cdot r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \frac{q}{\pi a^3} \int_0^r r^2 e^{-2r/a} dr \cdot \int_0^\pi \sin\theta d\theta \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi$$

$$q_{enc} = q \left[1 - e^{-2r/a} \left(1 + \frac{2r}{a} + \frac{2r^2}{a^2} \right) \right]$$

$$E \cdot (4\pi r^2) = \frac{q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} \rightarrow E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q}{r^2} \left[1 - e^{-2r/a} \left(1 + \frac{2r}{a} + \frac{2r^2}{a^2} \right) \right]$$

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~~electron cloud~~ s Proton inside shift by D

electron cloud will move on other side

atom shift by D

we are looking for electric field D

$$r = d$$

$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{d^2} \left[1 - e^{-2d/a} \left(1 + \frac{2d}{a} + \frac{2d^2}{a^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\therefore e^{-2d/a} = 1 + \left(-\frac{2d}{a} \right) + \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{2d}{a} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \left(\frac{2d}{a} \right)^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 - \frac{2d}{a} + 2 \left(\frac{d}{a} \right)^2 - \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{d}{a} \right)^3 + \dots$$

$$d \ll a$$

$$E \approx \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{d^2} \left(\frac{4}{3} \frac{d^3}{a^3} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3\pi\epsilon_0 a^3} q d$$

$$F = \frac{1}{3\pi\epsilon_0 a^3} \vec{P} \left[E = \frac{1}{\alpha} \vec{P} \right]$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\alpha = 3\pi\epsilon_0 a^3}$$