

Derivation of Bohr Orbit Energy E_n in terms of a_0

Derivation of Bohr orbit energy, E_n
in terms of a_0 (first Bohr radius).

$$a_0 = \frac{h^2 \epsilon_0}{\pi e^2 m}$$

$$E_n = -\frac{e^4 m}{8 \epsilon_0^2 h^2 n^2} = -\frac{e^2}{8 \pi \epsilon_0 n^2} \left(\frac{\pi e^2 m}{h^2 \epsilon_0} \right)$$

$$\therefore E_n = -\frac{e^2}{8 \pi \epsilon_0 n^2 a_0}$$

$$\frac{1}{a_0}$$

$$n=1 \quad \therefore E_1 = -\frac{(1.602 \times 10^{-19})^2}{8 \pi (8.84 \times 10^{-12}) (1)^2 (0.529 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m})}$$

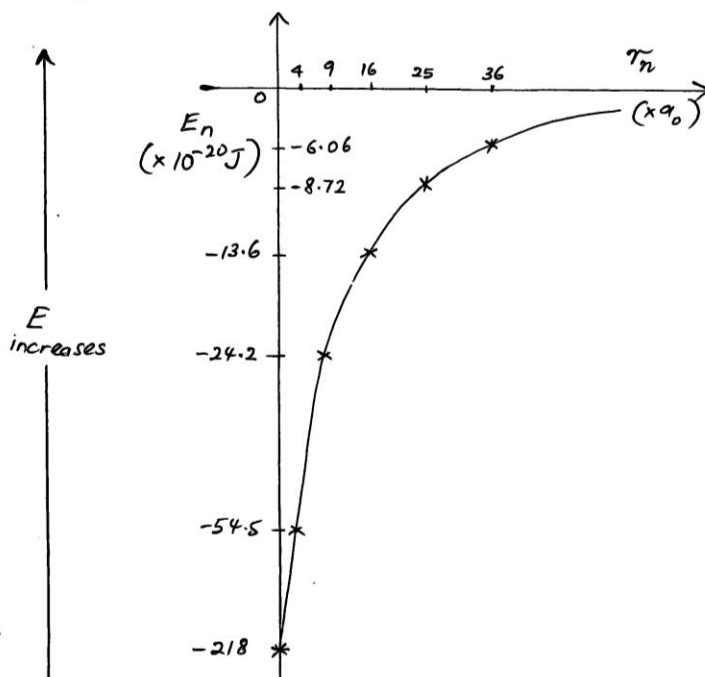
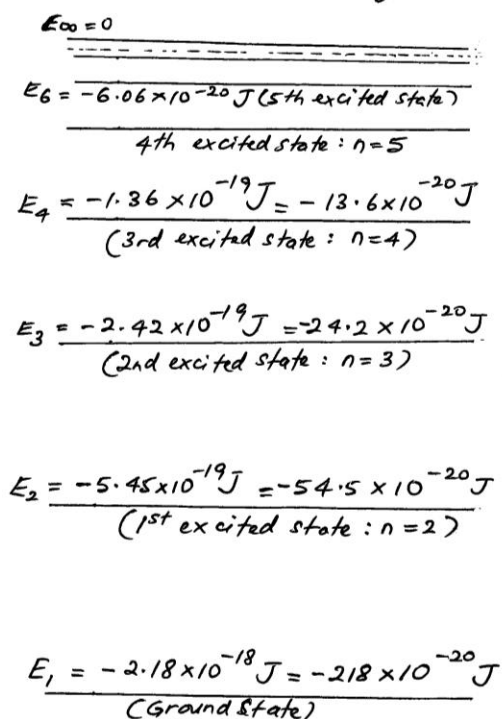
$$E_1 = -2.18 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

$$n=2 \quad E_2 = -\frac{2.18 \times 10^{-18}}{2^2} = -\frac{2.18 \times 10^{-18}}{4} = -5.45 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$n=3 \quad E_3 = -\frac{2.18 \times 10^{-18}}{9} = -2.42 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$n=4 \quad E_4 = -\frac{2.18 \times 10^{-18}}{16} = -1.36 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$n=6 \quad E_6 = -\frac{2.18 \times 10^{-18}}{36} = -6.06 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$$



Derivation of Energy Difference, ΔE in terms of a_0

$$E_n = - \frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0 n^2}$$

$$\Delta E = E_y - E_x \quad E_y > E_x$$

$$\Delta E = \frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0} \left[\frac{1}{n_x^2} - \frac{1}{n_y^2} \right]$$

Problem-solving Example 13

Calculate the energy difference, ΔE between the first energy level (ground state) and the seventh energy level in hydrogen atom using the data given.

$$[a_0 = 0.529 \text{ \AA} ; e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} ; \epsilon_0 = 8.84 \times 10^{-12} \text{ N}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ C}^2]$$

Solution:

$$\Delta E = \frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0} \left(\frac{1}{n_x^2} - \frac{1}{n_y^2} \right)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a_0 = 0.529 \text{ \AA} \\ = 0.529 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} \\ n_x = 1 \\ n_y = 7 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \Delta E = \frac{(1.602 \times 10^{-19})^2}{8\pi(8.84 \times 10^{-12})(0.529 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m})} \left(\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{7^2} \right) \\ \Delta E = \frac{2.57 \times 10^{-38}}{1.18 \times 10^{-20}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{49} \right) \\ = 2.178 \times 10^{-18} (0.979) \\ \Delta E = 2.134 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J photon}^{-1} \text{ (Ans).} \end{array}$$

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