

1) Notes 59(4): Example Solution.

Start from the general equation:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla} A^{a0} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{A}^a) + \underline{\nabla} \cdot (\underline{\omega}^{ab} \underline{A}^b) - \underline{\nabla} \cdot (\underline{\omega}^{ab} \underline{A}^{ob}) = -\mu_0 \tilde{J}^{oa} \quad (1)$$

Assume that for a quasi-electrostatic situation the vector potential terms are small. This means that

$$\nabla^2 A^{a0} - \underline{\omega}^{ab} \cdot \underline{\nabla} A^{ob} - (\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega}^{ab}) A^{ob} = -\mu_0 \tilde{J}^{oa} \quad (2)$$

Consider that \tilde{J}^{oa} is oscillating:

$$\tilde{J}^{oa} = \tilde{J}^{oa}(0) \cos(\underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{r}) \quad (3)$$

Consider: $a = b = 0 \quad (4)$

and drop the superscripts for convenience. Finally consider only the z axis to start:

$$\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2} + \omega \frac{\partial A}{\partial z} + \left(\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial z} \right) A = \mu_0 \tilde{J}(0) \cos(\kappa z) \quad (5)$$

Resonance occurs at:

$$\kappa_R = \left(\left(\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial z} \right)^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{2} \right)^{1/2} \quad (6)$$

The particular integral is:

$$A_p(\kappa) = D \cos(\kappa z - \delta) \quad (7)$$

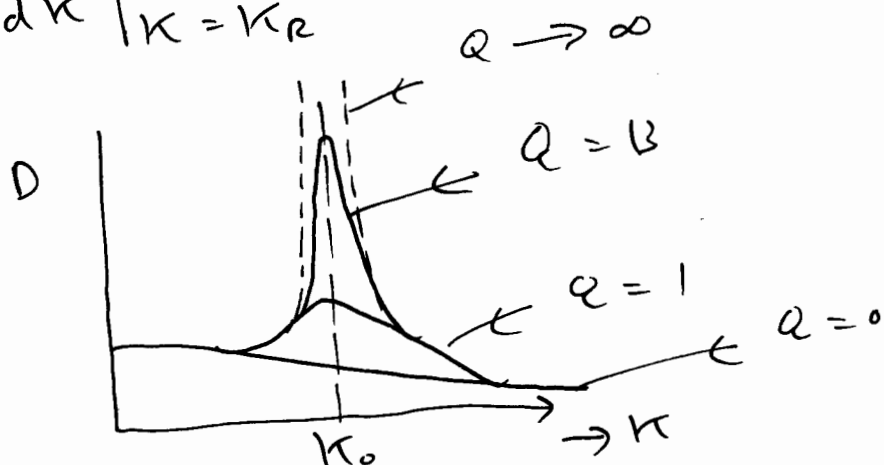
2) where:

$$\delta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\omega \kappa}{\left(\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \kappa}\right)^2 - \kappa^2} \right) \quad (8)$$

At resonance:

$$\left. \frac{dD}{d\kappa} \right|_{\kappa = \kappa_R} = 0 \quad (9)$$

gives:



It can be seen that at resonance, the potential $A_p(\kappa)$ from eq. (7) is greatly amplified. This is the potential used in the Schrödinger equation. If enough energy is put into the H atom it breaks apart. The driving charge density $\vec{j}(0)$ is the charge density with the H atom in off-resonance condition.