

Higher-order finite-nuclear-size contributions in light muonic atoms

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We discuss the finite-nuclear-size contributions to the Lamb shift in a light muonic atom up to the order $\alpha^6 m$. The related corrections have a different Z dependence and different order in mR_N . The consideration is done within the external field approximation. We also found the leading logarithmic finite-nuclear-size contribution in the next order. It is of the order $\alpha(Z\alpha)^6 \ln^2(Z\alpha)(mR_N)^2 m$ and is comparable with some $\alpha^6 m$ finite-size corrections. A special attention is paid to higher-order effects in muonic hydrogen.