Production and properties of superheavy elements

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Main feature of the model

$$\sigma_{\rm SHE}(E) = \frac{\pi\hbar^2}{2\mu E} \sum_{\ell} (2\ell+1) \cdot \mathcal{W}_{\rm surv}(E,\ell) \cdot T_{\rm CN}(E,B_{\rm inner},\ell) \cdot T_{\rm capture}(E,B_{\rm fusion},\ell).$$



Capture

Penetration through barrier:

Enhancement of the penetrability due to:

 $V_{\text{Nucleus-Nucleus}}(R, \ell) = V_{\text{nuclear}}(R) + V_{\text{Coulomb}}(R) + \frac{\hbar^2 \ell (\ell+1)}{2MR^2}$ WKB approximation

- low-energy surface 2^+ , 3^- vibrations
- nucleon transfer with positive $Q\mbox{-value}$









Semi-Microscopic Potential (SMP) between heavy nuclei

The interaction energy between spherical and axial-symmetric nuclei in the frozen density approximation is

$$V(R,\vartheta) = E_{12}(R,\vartheta) - E_1 - E_2,$$

R is the distance between mass centers of colliding nuclei,

 ϑ is the angle between the axial-symmetry axis of deformed nuclei and the line connected the mass centers of nuclei, binding energies are

$$E_{12}(R,\vartheta) = \int \mathcal{E}[\rho_{1p}(\mathbf{r}) + \rho_{2p}(R,\vartheta,\mathbf{r}),\rho_{1n}(\mathbf{r}) + \rho_{2n}(R,\vartheta,\mathbf{r})] d\mathbf{r},$$
$$E_{1} = \int \mathcal{E}[\rho_{1p}(\mathbf{r}),\rho_{1n}(\mathbf{r})] d\mathbf{r}, \quad E_{2} = \int \mathcal{E}[\rho_{2p}(\mathbf{r}),\rho_{2n}(\mathbf{r})] d\mathbf{r}.$$

The energy density functional

$$\mathcal{E}[\rho_p(\mathbf{r}), \rho_n(\mathbf{r})] = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [\tau_p(\mathbf{r}) + \tau_n(\mathbf{r})] + \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{r}),$$

where m is the nucleon mass. The expressions for proton τ_p and neutron τ_n kinetic energy density functionals are taken into account \hbar^2 corrections. The potential energy density functional splits into Skyrme and Coulomb (direct and exchange) parts

$$\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathcal{V}_{\mathrm{Skyrme}}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathcal{V}_{\mathrm{Coul}}(\mathbf{r})$$









The Coulomb interaction of two axial-symmetric nuclei

The Coulomb interaction of two nuclei at distances between their mass centers R is

$$V_{\mathrm{C}}(R) = e^2 \int \frac{\rho_1(\mathbf{r}_1)\rho_2(\mathbf{r}_2)}{|\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|} d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2.$$

where the denominator in can be presented as

 $+f_2(R,\Theta_1,R_{10})\beta_{12}^2+$

$$\frac{1}{|\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|} = \sum_{\ell_1, \ell_2 = 0}^{\infty} \frac{r_1^{\ell_1} r_2^{\ell_2}}{R^{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + 1}} \frac{4\pi (-1)^{\ell_2} (\ell_1 + \ell_2)!}{\sqrt{(2\ell_1 + 1)(2\ell_2 + 1)}} \times \sum_m \frac{Y_{\ell_1 m}(\vartheta_1, \varphi_1) Y_{\ell_2 - m}(\vartheta_2, \varphi_2)}{\sqrt{(\ell_1 + m)!(\ell_1 - m)!(\ell_2 + m)!(\ell_2 - m)!}},$$

where $Y_{\ell m}(\vartheta, \varphi)$ is the spherical harmonic functions, $r_i, \vartheta_i, \varphi_i$ are the spherical coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system O_i . Note that $Y_{\ell m}(\vartheta, \varphi)$ vanish whenever $|m| > \ell$.



The Coulomb interaction of two axial-symmetric arbitrary-oriented nuclei in the form

$$V_{\mathcal{C}}(R,\Theta_1,\Theta_2,\Phi) = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{R} \left\{ 1 + \sum_{\ell \ge 2} \left[f_{1\ell}(R,\Theta_1,R_{10})\beta_{1\ell} + f_{1\ell}(R,\Theta_2,R_{20})\beta_{2\ell} \right] \right\}$$
$$f_2(R,\Theta_2,R_{20})\beta_{22}^2 + f_3(R,\Theta_1,\Theta_2,R_{10},R_{20})\beta_{12}\beta_{22} + f_4(R,\Theta_1,\Theta_2,\Phi,R_{10},R_{20})\beta_{12}\beta_{22} \right\}.$$

We approximate the nuclear part of the potential between deformed nuclei as

$$V_{\rm n}(R,\Theta_1,\Theta_2,\Phi) \approx \frac{C_{10} + C_{20}}{C_{\rm def}} V_{\rm n}^0(d^0(R_{\rm sph},R_{10},R_{20})),$$

where

$$C_{\rm def} = \left[(C_1^{\parallel} + C_2^{\parallel})(C_1^{\perp} + C_2^{\perp}) \right]^{1/2}$$

is the generalized reciprocal curvature and

$$d^{0}(R_{\mathrm{sph}}, R_{10}, R_{20}) = d(R, \Theta_{1}, \Theta_{2}, \Phi, R_{10}, R_{20}, \beta_{1}, \beta_{2}).$$

The nucleus-nucleus interaction potential of axial-symmetric nuclei at various relative orientations for zero value of orbital momentum is given as

$$V(R,\Theta_1,\Theta_2,\Phi) = V_{\mathcal{C}}(R,\Theta_1,\Theta_2,\Phi) + V_{\mathcal{n}}(R,\Theta_1,\Theta_2,\Phi).$$







Magic numbers for ultraheavy region. Alpha-decay half-life

and fission barriers for double-magic ultraheavy nuclei



Magic Numbers Z = 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, N = 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, 126 are related to filling of the nucleonic shells. Nuclei with magic number(s) of nucleons have: \implies higher stability \implies higher stiffness to perturbation of different nature

 \implies higher abundance in the nature then neighboring nuclei.

The N or Z dependencies of nucleon(s) separation energy have jump at crossing magic numbers. The largest magic numbers "experimentally known" up to now are: Z = 114, N = 184. The P or N shell corrections have deep local minimum at magic numbers. TASKS: 1. determinate magic numbers for heavy systems with A = 300 - 1200 by studying deep local minimum of shell corrections.

2. evaluate $T_{1/2}(\alpha)$ and fission barrier for magic ultraheavy. Ultra-heavy nuclei can exist in star (neutron stars, magnetars, and etc) Green's β -stability line:

$$N_{Green} = \frac{2}{3}Z + \frac{5}{3}(10000 + 40Z + Z^2)^{1/2} - \frac{500}{3}.$$
 (1)

We evaluate Proton δ_P and Neutron δ_N shell corrections for even-even nuclei along Green's β -stability line for Z = 76 - 400, N = 102 - 820, A = 178 - 1218.

$$Z = 76, 78, 80, \dots 400.$$
$$N = N_{Green} - 10, N_{Green} - 8, N_{Green} - 6, \dots N_{Green} + 10$$

Mean field potential: Woods-Saxon + spin-orbit interaction + Lipkin-Nogami pairing + Coulomb (protons). Parametrization : "universal" - S.Cwiok, et al, CPC **46** 379 (1987).



WE OBTAINE: Proton Magic Numbers: Z = 82, 114, 164, 210, 274, 354

Neutron Magic Numbers: N= 126, 184, 228, 308, 406, 524, 644, 772

Comparison with other calculations:

Z=82, 114, 164 and N=126, 184, 228 \Leftrightarrow Shell model.

S.G. Nilsson, I. Ragnarsson I., Shapes and shells in nuclear structure (Cambridge Univ. Press, Cambridge, 1995).

 $Z \approx 114-126$, $Z \approx 164$, $N \approx 172-184$, $N \approx 228$, $N \approx 308$, $N \approx 406 \Leftrightarrow HFB+Skyrme \text{ or }RMF$ There is strong dependence on the both <u>model</u> and <u>force set</u>.

M. Bender, W. Nazarewicz, P.-G. Reinhard, Phys. Lett. **B515**, 42 (2001).

Fission barriers of ultraheavy double-magic nuclei.



Deformation energy \Leftrightarrow Droplet Model (Yukawa+exp) + shell correction

Dependence of magic number in SHE region on mean-field approximation





Alpha-decay of SHE



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