

Experimental Identification Criteria of Exotic Shapes around Octupole Magic Number $N = 136$

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We present the results from Ref.[1] where the results of the realistic mean-field calculations performed using phenomenological mean-field Hamiltonian with the deformed Woods-Saxon potential and newly adjusted parameters containing no parametric correlations (cf. Ref.[2]) were discussed. Focusing at the four octupole deformations $\alpha_{3,\mu=0,1,2,3}$, we find very large neutron shell gaps at $N = 136$, which generate well-pronounced double potential-energy minima in the standard multipole ($\alpha_{20}, \alpha_{22}, \alpha_{3\mu}, \alpha_{40}$) representation, often at $\alpha_{20} = 0$. These potential minima lead to the exotic symmetries C_{2v}, D_{2d}, T_d , and D_{3h} which we will discuss in detail.

In the recent Ref.[3] the basis for the spectroscopic identification of the T_d and O_h groups were established. Already there it was shown that the consequent band structures of exotic symmetries are very different from the traditional ones, namely those generated from ellipsoidal symmetry with $\Delta I = 2$ sequences. Following the same scheme and with the help of the representation theory of point groups we find the spin-parity sequences for each of the mentioned symmetries above, allowing us to formulate quantum mechanical criteria for experimental identification of such exotic symmetries. We will show that their spin-parity sequences mix even and odd spins, as well as positive and negative parities.

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