

FUSION MECHANISM OF MASSIVE NUCLEI

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- Motivation of theoretical study of the fusion mechanism.
- Advance and of the cold and hot fusion reactions used in the synthesis of superheavy elements.
- Comparison of the 4 reactions leading to formation ²²⁰Th to study the role of the nuclear shell effects and impact parameter of collision in formation of the observed evaporation residues.
- Conclusions

Motivation of study

An unambiguous estimation of the fusion cross section is difficult task for the experimental and theoretical point view.

1) overlap of the characteristics of the reaction products formed in different channels causes ambiguity in reconstruction of the realistic mechanism of the given reaction channel;

2) Theoretical model to calculate the cross section of processes in heavy ion collisions can be developed on the base of the realistic concept about reaction ³mechanism.

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Synthesis of superheavy elements in the cold and hot fusion reactions.



Reaction channels in heavy ion collisions at low energies



Map of superheavy elements region



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Transition of the advantage from the "cold" fusion reaction to the hot fusion reactions.

Cold fusion	Z _{CN}	Ν	B _f (MeV)	σ _{ER} (pb)	Hot fusion	Ν	B _f (MeV)	σ _{ER} (pb)
⁵⁴ Cr + ²⁰⁸ Pb [1]	106	156	6.05	500±140	²² Ne+ ²⁴⁸ Cm [3]	160	5.37	≈80
⁵⁸ Fe+ ²⁰⁸ Pb [1]	108	156	5.47	60±14	²⁶ Mg+ ²⁴⁸ Cm [4]	161	6.15	7^{+3}_{-3}
-	108		-	-	⁴⁸ Ca+ ²²⁶ Ra [5]	162	6.42	16^{+13}_{-7}
⁶⁴ Ni+ ²⁰⁸ Pb [1]	110	162	5.83	13±5	³⁴ S+ ²⁴⁴ Pu [6]	163	5.52	≈0.4
⁶⁴ Ni+ ²⁰⁹ Bi [1]	111	162	5.52	$3.5^{+4.6}_{-3.5}$	-		-	-
⁷⁰ Zn+ ²⁰⁸ Pb [1]	112	165	4.29	$0.5^{+1.1}_{-0.4}$	⁴⁸ Ca+ ²³⁸ U [7]	171	4.01	$2.5^{+1.8}_{-1.1}$
⁷⁰ Zn+ ²⁰⁹ Bi [2]	113	165	4.53	$0.022\substack{+0.020\\-0.013}$	⁴⁸ Ca+ ²³⁷ Np [8]	169	3.93	1.0
	114		-	-	⁴⁸ Ca+ ²⁴⁴ Pu [7]	174	5.53	$4.5^{+3.6}_{-1.9}$
-	115				⁴⁸ Ca+ ²⁴³ Am [9]	173	5.40	$8.5^{+6.4}_{-3.7}$
	116				⁴⁸ Ca+ ²⁴⁸ Cm [7]	176	6.22	$3.3^{+2.5}_{-1.4}$
	117				⁴⁸ Ca+ ²⁴⁹ Bk [10]	176	6.11	$3.6^{+6.1}_{-2.5}$
	118				⁴⁸ Ca+ ²⁴⁹ Cf [10]	176	5.99	$0.5^{+1.6}_{-0.3}$

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Two main concepts forcomplete fusion of massive nuclei





Role of fission barrier in synthesis of the superheavy elements



Fission barriers calculated by macroscopic-microscopic model: M. Kowal, P. Jachimowicz, and A. Sobiczewski, Phys. Rev. C 82, 014303 (2010)

$$B_{\rm fis}(J,T) = c B_{\rm fis}^{LD}(J) - h(T)q(J)\delta W,$$



FIG. 6. (Color online) Contour map of calculated fission barrier heights B_f for even-even superheavy nuclei.

 $h(T) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[(T - T_0)/d]}$ $T_0 = 1.16 \text{ MeV}, \ d = 0.3 \text{ MeV}$ $q(J) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[(J - J_{1/2})/\Delta J]}$







I. Deep inelastic collisions:

- 1) Partial momentum transfer;
- 2) There is not equilibrium of energy distribution and mass distribution;
- 3) Anisotropic angular distribution

Formation of the dinuclear system (Capture reactions)



- II. Quasifission:
- 1) Full momentum transfer;
- 2) Equilibrium of energy distribution and mass distribution;
- 3) Anisotropic and isotropic angular distributions.

III. Compound nucleus formation:

- 1) Full momentum transfer;
- 2) Equilibrium of energy distribution and mass distribution;
- 3) Isotropic angular distributions.

Mechanisms of the reaction following after capture (capture means formation of dinuclear system): Fusion-fission, quasifission and fast-fission.



The methods of calculation of the capture and Fusion cross section in the dinuclear system approach.

Main assumptions:

- 1) the shell effects does not allow to fuse nuclei immediately;
- The hindrance to fusion is determined by the intrinsic fusion barrier B^{*}_{fus} which is determined from the landscape of the potential energy surface of dinuclear system;
 the interacting nuclei can be deformed and nucleon exchange between them takes place allowing dinuclear system to be transformed into compound nucleus or to populate shapes corresponding minimal values of the potential energy surface;
- 4) The lifetime of dinuclear system is determined by it_{DNS}^{15} excitation energy E_{DNS}^{*} and quasifission barrier B_{qf} .





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$$\sigma_{ER} = \sum_{l=0}^{a} (2l+1)\sigma_l^{fus}(E,l)W_{surv}(E,l)$$

$$\sigma_l^{fus}(E,l) = \sigma_l^{capture}(E,l)P_{CN}(E,l)$$

 $P_{CN}(E, l)$ is fusion probability which calculated by diffusion-dissipative method, Y. Aritomo, Phys.Rev.C65, 014607 (2001) or G.G. Adamian, N.V. Antonenko, and W. Scheid, Eur. Phys. J. A 41, 235 (2009);. A. K. Nasirov, G. Giardina, S.Hofmann, et al. Phys. Rev. C **79**, 024606 (2009).

 $\sigma_l^{capture}$ is capture probability, which calculated in different theoretical models by different way.

Comparison of the capture cross sections of the reactions leading to ²²⁰Th



$$\mu(R)\ddot{R} + \gamma_R(R)\dot{R}(t) = -\frac{\partial V(R)}{\partial R} - \dot{R}^2 \frac{\partial \mu(R)}{\partial R}$$

Comparison of the potential wells of the nucleus-nucleus interaction for reactions leading to formation of ²²⁰Th.





Equations of motion used to find the capture of projectile by target-nucleus



$$\mu(R)\ddot{R} + \gamma_R(R)\dot{R}(t) = -\frac{\partial V(R)}{\partial R} - \dot{R}^2 \frac{\partial \mu(R)}{\partial R}$$

$$\begin{split} \mu(R) &= \delta \mu(R) + m_0 A_{\rm T} A_{\rm P} / A_{\rm tot} \\ \times \left(1 - \frac{2}{A_{\rm tot}} \int \frac{\rho_1^{(0)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r_1}) \rho_2^{(0)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r_2})}{\rho_1^{(0)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r_1}) + \rho_2^{(0)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r_2})} \mathrm{d}^3 \mathbf{r} \right) \,, \\ \frac{dL}{dt} &= \gamma_{\theta}(R) R(t) \left[\dot{\theta} R(t) - \dot{\theta}_1 R_{\mathrm{leff}} - \dot{\theta}_2 R_{\mathrm{2eff}} \right] \end{split}$$

$$L_0 = J_R \dot{\theta} + J_1 \dot{\theta}_1 + J_2 \dot{\theta}_2$$

$$E_{rot} = \frac{J_R \theta^2}{2} + \frac{J_1 \theta_1^2}{2} + \frac{J_2 \theta_2^2}{2}$$



Hamiltonian for calculation of the transport coefficients of collective motion

$$H = H_{coll}(Z_1, A_1, Z_2, A_2, R, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2)$$
$$+ H_{micr}\left(\left\{\varepsilon_{i_1}, n_{i_1}\right\}, \left\{\varepsilon_{i_2}, n_{i_2}\right\}\right) + \delta V \qquad (1)$$

where



 $\begin{aligned} H_{coll} &= \frac{P^{2}}{2\mu} + U(Z_{1}, A_{1}, Z_{2}, A_{2}, R, \alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \beta_{1}, \beta_{2}) \text{ - for the relative motion of nuclei; (2)} \\ H_{micr} &= \sum_{i_{p}} \varepsilon_{i_{p}} \hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{p}} + \sum_{i_{T}} \varepsilon_{i_{T}} \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{-} - for nucleons of nuclei; (3) \\ \delta V &= \sum_{i_{p}, j_{T}} g_{i_{p}j_{T}}(R)(\hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{-} + \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{-}) + \sum_{i_{p}, j_{T}} \kappa_{i_{p}j_{T}}(R)(\hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{-} + \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{-}) + \sum_{i_{p}, j_{T}} \kappa_{i_{p}j_{T}}(R)(\hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{-} + \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{-}) \\ &+ \sum_{i_{p}, j_{P}} \Lambda_{i_{p}j_{P}}^{(T)}(R)\hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{p}}^{-} + \sum_{i_{p}, j_{P}} \Lambda_{i_{T}i_{T}}^{(P)}(R)\hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{+} \hat{a}_{i_{T}}^{-} - nucleon exchange between nuclei and particle - hole excitations in nuclei; (4) \\ g_{i_{p}j_{T}}, \kappa_{i_{p}j_{T}} \text{ and } \Lambda^{(P)}_{i_{T}j_{T}} - matrix elements of nucleon exchange between nuclei and particle - hole excitations in them caused by meanfield of partner nucleus. \end{aligned}$

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Nucleus-nucleus interaction potential

$$V_{C}(R,\alpha_{1},\alpha_{2}) = \frac{Z_{1}Z_{2}}{R}e^{2}$$

$$+ \frac{Z_{1}Z_{2}}{R^{3}}e^{2}\left\{\left(\frac{9}{20\pi}\right)^{1/2}\sum_{i=1}^{2}R_{0i}^{2}\beta_{2}^{(i)}P_{2}(\cos\alpha_{i}) + \frac{3}{7\pi}\sum_{i=1}^{2}R_{0i}^{2}\left[\beta_{2}^{(i)}P_{2}(\cos\alpha_{i})\right]^{2}\right\}$$

$$V_{nucl}(R,\alpha_{1},\alpha_{2}) = \int \rho_{1}^{(0)}(\vec{r}-\vec{R})f_{eff}\left[\rho_{1}^{(0)}+\rho_{2}^{(0)}\right]\rho_{2}^{(0)}(\vec{r})d^{3}\vec{r}$$

$$\rho_{i}^{(0)}(\vec{r},\vec{R}_{i},\alpha_{i},\theta_{i},\beta_{2}^{(i)}) = \left\{1+\exp\left[\frac{\left|\vec{r}-\vec{R}_{i}(t)\right|-R_{oi}(1+\beta_{2}^{(i)}Y_{20}(\theta_{i},\alpha_{i}))}{a}\right]\right\}^{-1}$$

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$$V_{rot} = \hbar^2 \frac{l(l+1)}{2\mu[R(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)]^2 + J_1 + J_2]}$$

Density dependent effective nucleon-nucleon forces

$$f_{eff}(r) = C_0 \left(f + f' \vec{\tau}_1 \vec{\tau}_2 + (g + g' \vec{\tau}_1 \vec{\tau}_2) \vec{\sigma}_1 \vec{\sigma}_2 \right)$$

$$f(r) = f^{ex} + (f^{in} - f^{ex}) \frac{\rho(r)}{\rho(0)}$$

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fin	-0,09	+0,09						
fex	-2,23	2,59						
fin	0,89	0,42						
f'ex	0,06	0,54						
g	0,7	0,7						
g'	0,83	0,83						

The values of the constants of the effective nucleon-nucleon forces from the textbook A.B. Migdal, "*Theory of the Finite Fermi-Systems and properties of Atomic Nuclei*", Moscow, Nauka, 1983. The constants of version II were used in our calculations.

Expressions for the friction coefficients

$$\gamma_R(R(t)) = \sum_{i,i'} \left| \frac{\partial V_{ii'}(R(t))}{\partial R} \right|^2 B_{ii'}^{(1)}(t), \qquad (B.1)$$
$$\gamma_\theta(R(t)) = \frac{1}{R^2} \sum_{i,i'} \left| \frac{\partial V_{ii'}(R(t))}{\partial \theta} \right|^2 B_{ii'}^{(1)}(t), \qquad (B.2)$$

and the dynamic contribution to the nucleus-nucleus potential

$$\delta V(R(t)) = \sum_{i \neq i'} \left| \frac{\partial V_{ii'}(R(t))}{\partial R} \right|^2 B_{ii'}^{(0)}(t), \quad (B.3)$$

$$B_{ik}^{(n)}(t) = \frac{2}{\hbar} \int_0^t dt'(t-t')^n \exp\left(\frac{t'-t}{\tau_{ik}}\right)$$

$$\times \sin\left[\omega_{ik}\left(\mathbf{R}(t')\right)(t-t')\right] \left[\tilde{n}_k(t') - \tilde{n}_i(t')\right], \quad (B.4)$$

$$\hbar \omega_{ik} = \epsilon_i + \Lambda_{ii} - \epsilon_k - \Lambda_{kk}. \quad (B.5)$$

Calculation of the competition between complete fusion and quasifission: $P_{cn}(E_{DNS},L)$

$$P_{CN}(E_{DNS}^{*},\ell) = \sum_{Z_{sym}}^{Z_{max}} Y_{Z}(E_{DNS}^{*},\ell) P_{CN}^{(Z)}(E_{DNS}^{*},\ell)$$

where

$$P_{CN}^{(Z)}(E_{DNS}^{*},\ell) = \frac{\rho(E_{DNS}^{*}(Z) - B_{fus}^{*}(Z),\ell)}{\rho(E_{DNS}^{*}(Z) - B_{fus}^{*}(Z),\ell) + \rho(E_{DNS}^{*}(Z) - B_{qf}^{*}(Z),\ell) + \rho(E_{DNS}^{*}(Z) - B_{sym}^{*}(Z),\ell)}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} Y_Z(E_Z^*, \ell, t) = \Delta_{Z+1}^{(-)} Y_{Z+1}(E_Z^*, \ell, t) + \Delta_{Z-1}^{(+)} Y_{Z-1}(E_Z^*, \ell, t)$$
$$- (\Delta_Z^{(-)} + \Delta_Z^{(+)} + \Lambda_Z^{qf}) Y_Z(E_Z^*, \ell, t)$$
for Z = 2, 3,..., Z_{tot} - 2

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Comparison of the complete fusion cross sections of the 4 reactions



 $\sigma_l^{fus}(E,l) = \sigma_l^{capture}(E,l) P_{CN}(E,l)$

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Comparison of the complete fusion cross sections of the 4 reactions



 $\sigma_l^{fus}(E,l) = \sigma_l^{capture}(E,l)P_{CN}(E,l)$

Potential energy surface

 $U(Z_{1}, A_{1}, Z_{2}, A_{2}, R, Qgg) = B_{1}(Z_{1}, A_{1}) + B_{2}(Z_{2}, A_{2}) - B_{CN} + V_{int}(Z_{1}, A_{1}, Z_{2}, A_{2}, R)$

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Driving potential

 $U_{dr}(Z_1, A_1, Z_2, A_2, Rm, Qgg) = B_1(Z_1, A_1) + B_2(Z_2, A_2) - B_{CN} + V_{int}(Z_1, A_1, Z_2, A_2, Rm)$

Dependence of the driving potential on the angular momentum





Dependence of the quasifission barrier on the angular momentum

Partial fusion cross section of the ⁴⁰Ar+¹⁸⁰Hf and ⁸²Se+¹³⁸Ba reactions



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Probability of fusion as a function of the energy and angular momentum.



$$P_{\rm CN}(E_{\rm CN},l) = \frac{\sigma_{\rm fus}(E_{\rm CN},l)}{\sigma_{\rm cap}(E_{\rm CN},l)}$$

The partial fusion probability decreases by the increase of angular momentum ℓ but total cross section is proportional to ℓ .

$$\sigma_{ER} = \sum_{l=0}^{l_d} (2l+1)\sigma_l^{fus}(E,l)W_{surv}(E,l)$$

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Probability of surviving the heated and rotating compound nucleus against fission as a function of the energy and angular momentum.



Comparison of the evaporation residue cross sections calculated for the 4 reactions leading to ²²⁰Th.



The survived part of the compound nucleus against to fission.





Total cross section of the evaporation residues formation.

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Comparison of the cross sections of the different neutron emission channels with the corresponding experimental data.

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Comparison of the cross sections of the different neutron emission channels with the corresponding experimental data.



Conclusions

The experiments of synthesis of superheavy elements were successful cold and hot fusion reactions due to using favorable conditions for the entrance channel and properties of the being formed compound nucleus. The strong hindrance to complete fusion increases in mass symmetric reactions. This hindrance is increase of the intrinsic fusion barrier which is determined by the landscape of the potential energy surface.

The hindrance to complete fusion is not so strong in hot fusion reactions because the mass asymmetry of those reactions is small. Initial system is already close to be fused. But large excitation energy can decrease of the survival probability of the compound nucleus against fission.

Therefore, it is important to analyze the fusion probability of colliding nuclei and the survival probability of the compound nucleus in order to choice reaction partners and beam energy.

Thank you for attention !

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About description of the events of the synthesis of superheavy elements



The measured evaporation cross section can be described by the formula:

$$\sigma_{ER}(E^*) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell=\ell_f} \sigma_{cap}(E_{c.m.},\ell) P_{CN}(E^*,\ell) W_{surv}(E^*,\ell)$$

where

$$\sigma_{\rm fus}(E_{\rm c.m.},\ell) = \sigma_{\rm cap}(E_{\rm c.m.},\ell) P_{\rm CN}(E^*,\ell)$$

is considered as the cross section of compound nucleus formation; W_{surv} is the survival probability of the heated and rotating nucleus. The smallness of P_{CN} means hindrance to fusion caused by huge contribution of quasifission process:

$$\sigma_{\rm qfis}(E_{\rm c.m.},\ell) = \sigma_{\rm cap}(E_{\rm c.m.},\ell) (1 - P_{\rm CN}(E^*,\ell))$$

Collective enhancement of level density of DNS



$$K_{rot}(E_{DNS}) = \begin{cases} (\sigma_{\perp}^2 - 1)f(E_{DNS}) + 1, & \text{if } \sigma_{\perp} > 1, \\ 1, & \text{if } \sigma_{\perp} \le 1, \end{cases}$$

where $\sigma_{\perp} = J_{(DNS)}T/\hbar^2$; $f(E) = (1 + \exp[(E - E_{cr})/d_{cr}])$; $E_{cr} = 120\tilde{\beta}_2^2 A^{1/3} \text{ MeV}$; $d_{cr} = 1400\tilde{\beta}_2^2 A^{2/3}$. $\tilde{\beta}$ is the effective quadrupole deformation for the dinuclear system. We find it from the calculated $\mathcal{J}_{\perp}^{(DNS)}$.

Dependence of the fission barrier on the excitation energy and angular momentum of compound nucleus.

$$B_{\rm fis}(J,T) = c \ B^m_{\rm fis}(J) - h(T) \ q(J) \ \delta W,$$

with

$$h(T) = \begin{cases} 1, & T \le 1.65 \text{ MeV} \\ k \exp(-mT), & T > 1.65 \text{ MeV}, \end{cases}$$

and

$$q(J) = \{1 + \exp[(J - J_{1/2})/\Delta J]\}^{-1},$$

where $B_{\rm fis}^{\rm m}(J)$ is the parameterized macroscopic fission barrier [15] depending on angular momentum J, $\delta W = \delta W_{\rm sad} - \delta W_{\rm gs} \simeq -\delta W_{\rm gs}$ is the microscopic (shell) correction to the fission barrier taken from the tables [8] and the constants for the macroscopic fission barrier scaling, temperature and angular momentum dependencies of the microscopic correction are chosen to be as follows: c = 1.0, k = 5.809, m = 1.066 MeV⁻¹, $\Delta J = 3\hbar$; for nuclei with Z > 102 we use $J_{1/2} = 20\hbar$. This procedure let the shell corrections become dynamical quantities, too.

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