

Comprehensive Analysis of "Rf" Element Carbon Decay

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Introduction:

Cluster decay of ¹²C and ¹⁴C are comprehensively analyzed to investigate the shell/sub-shell closure of ²⁴⁰⁻³⁴⁰Rf nuclei from the corresponding decay half-lives. We have estimated the ground state properties of even-even isotopes of Rutherfordium (Z=104) using PK1[1] parameter within relativistic mean field theory (RMF) [2.] Furthermore, the calculation of energy released during the decay of ¹²C and ¹⁴C the estimation of decay half-lives are performed using binding energy (B.E.). This is achieved through the effective use of UDL-1[3], UDL-2[4], Unified Formula[5], and Santosh's semi-empirical formula[6].

A long half-life of parent predicts parent's stability and a small half-life of parent predicts the of daughter's stability against decay.

Theoretical Formulation: Relativistic Mean Field Theory (RMF)

The Lagrangian density is [7-11]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \bar{\psi}_i(i\gamma_\mu \partial_\mu - M)\psi_i + \frac{1}{2}\partial^\mu \sigma \partial_\mu \sigma - \\ & \frac{1}{2}m_\sigma^2 \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{3}g_2 \sigma^3 - \frac{1}{4}g_3 \sigma^4 - \\ & g_5 \bar{\psi}_i \psi_i \sigma - \\ & \frac{1}{4}\Omega^{\mu\nu} \Omega_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_\omega^2 V^\mu V_\mu + \frac{1}{4}C_3(V_\mu V^\mu)^2 - \\ & g_\omega \bar{\psi}_i \gamma^\mu \psi_i V_\mu - \frac{1}{4}B^{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_\rho^2 \vec{R}^\mu \cdot \vec{R}_\mu - \\ & g_\mu \bar{\psi}_i \gamma^\mu \vec{\tau} \psi_i \vec{R}^\mu - \frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} - \\ & e \bar{\psi}_i \gamma^\mu \frac{(1-\tau_{3i})}{2} \psi_i A_\mu \\ & \dots\dots\dots(1) \end{aligned}$$

The symbols have their usual meaning. The ground state properties of nuclei like binding energy are obtained by solving the Lagrangian density. Corresponding 'Q' values are calculated

for ¹²C and ¹⁴C decay, from Which $T_{1/2}^{C12}$ and $T_{1/2}^{C14}$ are estimated.

Energy Released during cluster decay

$$Q_{cluster}(Z, N) = E_{bind}(\text{daughter}) + E_{bind}(\text{cluster}) - E_{bind}(\text{parent})$$

Universal Decay Law - 2 (UDL)

$$\text{Log}_{10} T_{1/2}(s) = a z_c z_d \sqrt{\frac{A}{Q_c}} + b \sqrt{A z_c z_d \left(A_c^{\frac{1}{3}} + A_d^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)} + c \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

, Here $A = \frac{A_c A_d}{(A_c + A_d)}$ is the reduced mass of emitted cluster- daughter nuclear system. a=0.4314, b= -0.3921, c= -32.7 [4]. Another set of parameters are also available for the same formulae known as UDL-1 [3] where a=0.40796, b=-0.42253, c= -21.58684.

Unified Formula

$$\text{Log}_{10} T_{1/2}(s) = a \sqrt{A} z_c z_d Q_c^{-1/2} + b \sqrt{A} (z_c z_d)^{1/2} + c \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

where a=0.38617, b= -1.08676, $c_{e-e} = -21.37195$ are the parameters. z_c and z_d are atomic numbers of cluster and daughter nucleus respectively [5].

Santhosh's Semi-Empirical Model

$$\text{Log}_{10} T_{1/2}(s) = a z_c z_d Q_c^{-1/2} + b \eta_A + c \dots\dots(4)$$

Where $\eta_A = \frac{A_d - A_c}{A}$ is the mass asymmetry [6].

The values of adjustable parameters are a= 0.727356, b= 40.3887 and c= -85.1625 respectively. z_c and z_d are atomic numbers of cluster and daughter respectively.

Results and discussions:

From the figure-1, it is clear that for ^{12}C at $N=188$, Q -value is maximum. In fig-2 $T_{1/2}^{C^{12}}$ is maximum at $N=218, 228$ and minimum at $N=188$ which confirms parent Rutherfordium shell is stabilized at $N=218, 228$ and daughter Californium is stabilized at $N=182$ (as $188-6$).

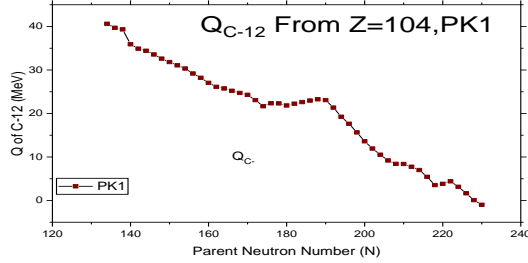


Fig-1 Predicted values of energy released during Carbon -12 from even-even isotopes of $Z=104$

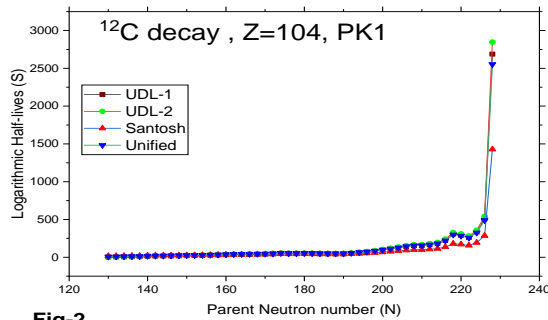


Fig-2 Variation of $\text{Log } T_{1/2}$ of ^{12}C decay from even-even isotopes of $^{240-340}\text{Rf}$ with parent Neutron number (N) using PK1 parameter in RMF Formalism

In figure-3 for ^{14}C at $N=192$ Q -value is maximum, In fig-4, $T_{1/2}^{C^{14}}$ is maximum at $N=176, 220$ and minimum at $N=192$ which confirms that parent Rutherfordium shell is stabilized at $N=176, 220$ and daughter Californium is stabilized at $N=184$ (as $192-8$). So it again Proves that $N=184$ is the most stable isotope .

Conclusion:

The B.E. of even-even isotopes of $^{240-340}\text{Rf}$ ($Z=104$) was computed using the PK1 parameter in the RMF model. We employ distinct formulae to compute the energy released during the decay of ^{12}C and ^{14}C with the objective to determine their respective half-lives. Our results show that the shells at $N=182, 218$, and 228 are stable against ^{12}C decay and against ^{14}C decay, respectively, at $N=176, 184$, and 228 .

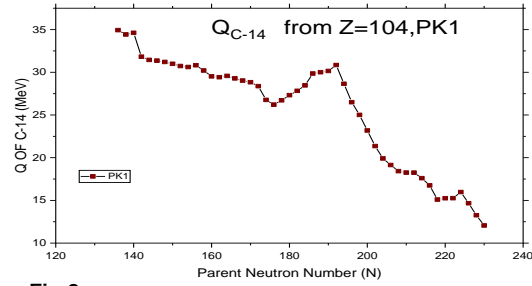


Fig-3 Predicted values of energy released during carbon -14 decay from even-even isotopes of $Z=104$

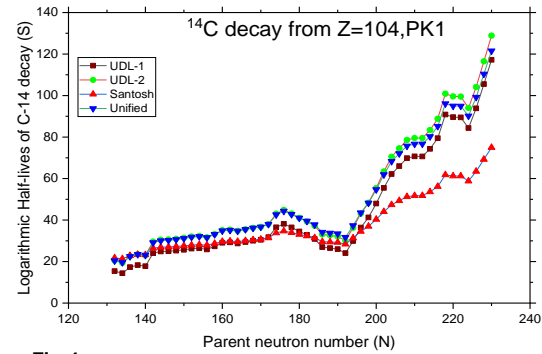


Fig-4 Variation of $\text{Log } T_{1/2}$ of ^{14}C decay from even even isotopes of $^{240-340}\text{Rf}$ as a function of parent neutron number (N) by using PK1 parameter in RMF formalis

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