

Demonstration of Original Alphas and Revised Alphas (Alphas+RadD)

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Deduction of Radius Parameter

Using RadD program

[RadD](https://www-nds.iaea.org/public/ensdf_pgm/analysis/radd/RadD.for)

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This RadD Program deduces the radius parameter (r_0) for Odd-Odd and Odd-A nuclei using the even-even radii of Y.A. Akovali [**Nuclear Data Sheets, 84 (1998) 1**], as input parameters.
(Example: ^{217}Po ($Z=84$, $N=133$))

Deduced radius parameter of even-odd, odd-even and odd-odd are also available in tabular form:

(https://www-nds.iaea.org/public/ensdf_pgm/analysis/radd)

[Table 1: Even-Z, Odd-N](#)

[Table 3: Odd-Z, Odd-N](#)

[Table 2: Odd-Z, Even-N](#)

[Table 4: Even-Z, Even-N](#)

ALPHAD

(http://www.nndc.bnl.gov/nndcscr/ensdf_pgm/analysis/alphad/)

- This program calculates the alpha hindrance factors, theoretical half-lives and, for even-even ground state to ground state transitions, R_0 using Preston's spin-independent equations **M.A. Preston, Phys. Rev. 71 (1947) 865**.
- The hindrance factors and theoretical half-lives can be calculated for odd-odd and odd-A nuclei, provided that the radius parameter must be supplied by user in pre-defined ENSDF format as.

R_0 's may be specified on an ALPHA comment record by "HF" in columns 10 and 11 and a dollar sign ("S") in column 12 or blanks in columns 12 through 19. The first value and uncertainty in columns 20 through 80 preceded by an R ("R"; case insensitive) and an equal sign ("=") or approximate sign ("AP") will be taken as R_0 .

Sample ENSDF record pertains to radius parameter

222AC cA HF\$ r{-0}({+222}Ac)=1.536 {14} is used in calculations.

Test Demonstrations: Original ALPHAD

Alphad.exe

Input Files

Output /Report Files

210Ra (Z=88, N=122)

Output File

217Po (Z=84, N=133)

Report File

194Bi (Z=83, N=111)

Odd-odd and Odd-A nuclides

- An evaluator has to deduce the radius parameter and then insert this radius parameter in alpha-decay data set with predefined ENSDF format.

Even-even nuclides

- The value of radius parameter obtained through ALPHAD program is only printed in alphad report file, but not in alphad output file. The evaluator should insert this value in alpha-decay data to ensure its completeness.

Revised Alphas (Alphas+RadD)

- **RadD code is appended in ALPHAD and this revised ALPHAD (ALPHAD+ RadD) automatically calculates radius parameter and then use this radius parameter for further calculations.**
- We have **NOT** changed the logic of ALPHAD program as we used our **own local variables**, which are different from the variables already used in the original ALPHAD.

Features added in ALPHAD

Even-Even nuclides

- For even-even nuclei, the earlier ALPHAD code prints radius parameter only in ALPHAD report file but not in ALPHAD output file. **The revised ALPHAD prints radius parameter in report as well as output file** to indicate what value of radius parameter has been used for calculation of HFs of even-even nuclei.

Odd-Odd and Odd-A nuclides

- In case of **earlier ALPHAD code**, we have to insert radius parameter in an ENSDF file and then ALPHAD code deduced HFs, but now with the help of revised ALPHAD code, there is no need to give radius parameter for odd-odd and odd-A nuclides. The revised **ALPHAD** will automatically deduces radius parameter (using even-even radius parameters as inputs) and then calculate HFs and also write this deduced radius parameter value in the ENSDF output file.

The **comment lines about the value of radius parameter will appear just above the normalization record of a ENSDF dataset**. Hence, the position of lines containing radius parameter value is fixed in output files generated through revised ALPHAD code.

Features added in ALPHAD

- Evaluator can give his/her own radius parameter for odd-odd and Odd-A nuclides .
- The format in which radius parameters is being written in the output file of revised ALPHAD code is same as given by evaluators in input ENSDFs of earlier ALPHAD code.
- An ENSDF alpha decay datasets executed through revised ALPHAD code, will have radius parameter as there are ~ 34 even-even datasets available in ENSDF database where radius parameter is not listed.

Test Demonstrations

Revised Alphas.exe

Input Files

210Ra

217Po

194Bi

218Ac

Output /Report Files

Output File

Report File

Status of update of 1998AK04 table of radius parameters

- There are total 154 even-even nuclides for which radius parameters are available in 1998AK04
- But according to our recent survey of ENSDF & XUNDL data bases, presently there **are total ~200 even-even alpha decay data** sets for which radius parameter could be obtained.
- In addition to these newly observed ~46 new even-even nuclides, the radius parameters available in 1998Ak04 will also be modified due to major changes appeared in following quantities.
 - New and improved data for Q values
 - Half-lives of alpha-decaying even-even parent nuclei
 - alpha-decay branching ratios

Present Status

We **have updated ~135 nuclides** and first set of nuclides, containing updated systems and procedure applied for updation, has been given to Dr. Balraj for his comments and suggestions. We are expecting to **complete this updation at the end of this year.**

Working Example : Deduce the radius parameter of At ($Z=85, N=117$)

Deduction procedure[1]

Input Data

The radius of a given odd-odd nuclide (Z, N) is deduced from the radii of odd-even nuclei ($Z, N-1$) and ($Z, N+1$) as follows:

Step 1: Deduce the radius of ($Z, N-1$) by taking unweighted average of radius parameters of even-even nuclides namely ($Z-1, N-1$) and ($Z+1, N-1$).

Step 2: Deduce radius of ($Z, N+1$) by taking unweighted average of radius parameters of even-even nuclides namely ($Z-1, N+1$) and ($Z+1, N+1$).

Step 3: Take unweighted average of odd-even radii obtained in steps 1 and 2 above, to get the required radius of a given odd-odd nuclide.

[1] M.J. Martin, Calculation of radius parameter (r_0) for Odd-A and Odd-Odd nuclides (2007).

Execute original Alphas and generate report and output file

Format

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Sample record

202AT cA HF\$ r{-0}({+202}At)=1.5045 {I80} is used in calculations.

Solution

Radius parameter for ${}^{202}_{85}\text{At}$: In order to deduce the radius parameter of odd-odd ${}^{202}_{85}\text{At}$ nuclide, first deduce the radii of odd-even nuclides ${}^{201}_{85}\text{At}$ and ${}^{203}_{85}\text{At}$ as described in following steps (Step 1 & 2):

Step 1: Radius of ${}^{201}_{85}\text{At}$

$$r_0(85,116) = \frac{[r_0(84,116) + r_0(86,116)]}{2} = \frac{1.504_3 + 1.527_8}{2} = 1.5155_{55}$$

Step 2: Radius of ${}^{203}_{85}\text{At}$

$$r_0(85,118) = \frac{[r_0(84,118) + r_0(86,118)]}{2} = \frac{1.492_7 + 1.495_{14}}{2} = 1.4935_{105}$$

Step 3: Finally, the radius of given odd-odd nuclide ${}^{202}_{85}\text{At}$ is deduced as unweighted average of odd-even radii of ${}^{201}_{85}\text{At}$ and ${}^{203}_{85}\text{At}$ nuclides, obtained in step 1 & 2 respectively, i.e.

$$r_0(85,117) = \frac{1.5155_{55} + 1.4935_{105}}{2} = 1.5045_{80}$$

Thanks a lot for your attention !