

BETA-DECAY RATES OF SHORT-LIVED NEUTRON-RICH NUCLEI, INVOLVED INTO THE R-PROCESS

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Beta-decay rate is one of the main nuclear parameters of neutron-rich nuclei. It is very important for astrophysical r-process nucleosynthesis. For beta-decay rates predictions for neutron-rich nuclei models of beta strength-function are usually used [1,2]. In this work for the beta-decay rates calculations we used the beta-strength function model in which strength-function was derived in the framework of quasiclassical approach, based on the finite Fermi-systems theory. On the basis of the model the consequent calculations of neutron emission and beta-delayed fission probabilities were derived recently for actinides [3]. The consistent calculations of beta-decay rates based on the same model are needed for predictions of heavy and superheavy abundances in the r-process nucleosynthesis. New calculations became actual when it was shown [4] that the values of beta-decay rates strongly depend on abundances of rare earth elements, forming in nucleosynthesis in very high neutron environment.

The compare of predictions with experimental data and utilization of up-to-date atomic mass predictions [5] let us correct the parameters of the model for extended calculations of beta-rates for the region of actinides, involved into the r-process.

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