Elements and Nuclear Physics 2 元素和核物理 2

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How were elements created?
Physics and chemistry of superheavy elements

Everything is made of atoms.



How were elements created?

 \longrightarrow in the universe





Big bang (13.8 billion years ago)

Li





the reason why only little amount of Li was created the reason why only little amount of Li was created



What are we made of ?

oxygen 43 kg carbon 16 kg hydrogen 7 kg nitrogen 1.8 kg calcium 1.0 kg phosphorus 780 g potassium 140 g sulphur 140 g sodium 100 g chlorine 95 g magnesium 19 g iron 4.2 g fluorine 2.6 g zinc 2.3 g silicon 1.0 g rubidium 0.68 g strontium 0.32 g bromine 0.26 g lead 0.12 g copper 72 mg aluminium 60 mg cadmium 50 mg

more is different

these hydrongens were created 13.8 billion years ago!!



Big bang (13.8 billion years ago)



How were elements up to Fe created? The origin of elements up to Fe





Nuclear fusion inside (massive) stars \longrightarrow the reason why stars are shining





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<u>Quantum Mechanics (量子力学)</u>

a particle also has a wave property = de Bloglie wave

Uncertainty principle of Heisenberg $\Delta p \cdot \Delta x \ge 10^{-34}$ J s one cannot determine the position and the momentum of a particle at the same time





What if his car leaked out of its locked garage?

just how strange the behaviour of quantum particles really is, it would be as though a skier, faced with having to go round a tree blocking his path, decided instead to go both ways at once. Clearly, this would be regarded, in our everyday world of trees and skiers, as some kind of hoax. But it really does happen in the quantum world. W. Heisenberg (1901-1976)

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.....what happens if $\Delta p \cdot \Delta x > 10$ J s ...?



W. Heisenberg (1901-1976)



a car may come in through the wall !?

in reality, this happens only when the mass is very light

the mass of electron:~ 10^{-27} g the mass of proton: ~ 10^{-24} g

Nuclear Fusion in stars

Strong force (attractive) vs EM force (repulsive)



if two nuclei collide with a large energy \rightarrow fusion by overcoming the barrier



fusion if the energy is large

....but, the energy is not large enough in stars (such as the sun)
stars are shining by Quantum Tunneling





"Ghost party" by Jacques Duquennoy



The origin of elements up to Fe





Nuclear fusion inside (massive) stars \longrightarrow the reason why stars are shining

- up to Fe: exothermal reactions 発熱反応
- from Fe: endothermal reactions 吸熱反応

 \rightarrow fusion stops at Fe

Binding energy of atomic nuclei



- up to Fe: $m_A + m_B > m_C$ (exothermal) creation of energy
- from Fe: $m_A + m_B < m_C$ (endothermal) extra energy required

creation of energy extra energy required

the origin of the peak



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if all the nucleons are interacting with each other inside a nucleus:

$$B \sim vA(A-1)/2$$

 $\rightarrow B/A \propto A - 1 \sim A$

inconsistent with the data



if one nucleon can interact only a definite number of nucleons close by:

 $B \sim v \alpha A/2$

 $\rightarrow B/A = const.$

consistent with the data!

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B/A

A

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Coulomb interaction (a long range interaction)

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 How to create heavier elements
 (e.g., Pb and U)?

How to create heavier elements than Fe?

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red giant \$\sum_s\$-process Ba, La, Pb, Bi etc.





How to create heavier elements than Fe? Neutron captures (neutrons: no charge)







red giant 1 \$\frac{1}{\phi}\$ s-process Ba, La, Pb, Bi etc.

neutron star merger ↓ r-process • Th, Eu, U etc.



 $N \rightarrow$







As a matter of fact, it is not known well how Au and U were created....

Open issues in r-process nucleosyntehsis

> where is the main site?



SN explosion



Neutron star merger

a life of stars





Nuclear fusion inside (massive) stars

when fuels for fusion are exhausted:

✓ shrinkage due to the gravitational force
 ✓ then, explosion (supernova explosion)





Si



SN explosions distribute elements into the universe.

repetition of a cycle



interstellar gas

creation of stars

SN explosion







gravitational wave due to a neutron star merger



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photons from r-process

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B.P. Abbott et al., PRL119 ('17) 161101

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Neutron-rich nuclei (RIBF at RIKEN)



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➤ role of fission?

- spontaneous and neutron-induced fissions
- β-delayed fission

