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## INVESTIGATION OF THE X(5)-STRUCTURE IN EVEN-EVEN RARE-EARTH Sm–Os NUCLEI IN THE $N \approx 90$ REGION

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*Bands structure and nuclear shape in the  $N \approx 90$  region are investigated using the interacting boson model. The energy levels and the energy ratios are investigated. We have studied the ratio  $\delta E(J^-)/E(2_1^+)$  versus the mass number for the  $J^- = 1^-$  to  $11^-$  states. The ratio  $E(J_i^+)/E(2_1^+)$  of the yrast bands versus angular momentum ( $J_i^+$ ) has been calculated. The  $^{152}\text{Sm}$ ,  $^{154}\text{Gd}$  and  $^{160}\text{Er}$  nuclei have a rotational  $SU(3)$  character, while the  $^{156}\text{Dy}$ ,  $^{170}\text{W}$ , and  $^{176}\text{Os}$  nuclei reflect the  $X(5)$  character. To investigate the shape evolution, the potential energy surface as a function of  $\beta_2$  and  $\beta_3$  are plotted. The obtained results are compared with available empirical data. The results are in general good agreement for energy spectra, while they show reasonable agreement for other calculations or at least their overall trend.*

*Key words:* energy level, critical-point symmetry, boson model, mixing ratio.

### 1. Introduction

Critical point symmetries X(5) and E(5) [1, 2] which describe the nuclear structure of the nuclei at points of shape phase transitions within the symmetry triangle of the IBM. The nuclear structure of the rare-earth isotopes [3–5] has been examined previously both experimentally and theoretically [6–8]. Zhang *et al.* [9] obtained the critical behavior from spherical to axially deformed shapes for some rare-earth nuclei, in the space of two control parameters using the IBM. McCutchan *et al.* [10] examined the connection between a geometric approach and the X(5) solution. Zamfir *et al.* [11] compared empirical energies with interacting boson model (IBM) calcula-

tions for Gd–Hf isotopes. The authors plotted the symmetry triangle with an accurate location of the phase transition regions for the  $N = 82$ –104 nuclei. Gupta [12] considered the Davydov–Filippov model and performed a systematic analysis of the spectral features and electric transition probabilities of the ( $\gamma < 20^\circ$ ) ( $A \sim 160$ ) deformed isotopes. Lee [13] investigated electromagnetic transitions between low-lying levels in  $^{148}$ – $^{154}\text{Sm}$  nuclei within the IBM-2 framework. The nuclear shape deformation parameters  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  for  $Z = 50$ –82 have been studied using the asymmetric rotor model of Davydov–Filippov [14]. The effect of the  $Z = 64$  subshell on the energy spectrum was identified. Pahlavani and Dinan [15] have investigated the level densities of the deformed nuclei in the formwork of the back-shifted Fermigas model. According to their calculation, the pairing energy is not constant and changes with temperature.

The following are some of the aims of this study:

- 1) To study the structure of the levels scheme in even-even deformed nuclei.

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Table 1. Interaction parameters (in MeV) adopted in the present study.  $\chi = -1.323$  and  $A_2 = -0.003$  MeV were chosen for all isotopes

Nuclei	No.	$\varepsilon_d$	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$a_4$	$\varepsilon_f$	$A_1$	$A_3$
$^{152}\text{Sm}$	10	0.116	0.006	-0.014	0.030	0.099	0.050	0.030	-0.072
$^{154}\text{Gd}$	11	0.123	0.008	-0.014	0.032	0.098	0.080	0.024	-0.075
$^{156}\text{Dy}$	12	0.138	0.009	-0.011	0.003	-0.058	0.310	0.014	-0.095
$^{160}\text{Er}$	12	0.125	0.007	-0.013	0.001	-0.057	0.310	0.014	-0.095
$^{170}\text{W}$	11	0.157	0.009	-0.014	0.035	0.098	0.040	0.026	-0.075
$^{176}\text{Os}$	12	0.135	0.009	-0.011	0.002	-0.058	0.260	0.015	-0.095

Table 2. IBM-2 Hamiltonian parameters used in the calculations of positive-parity states in MeV units.  $\chi_\nu = \chi_\pi = -1.2$ ,  $\kappa_{\pi\nu} = -0.06$  MeV, and  $C_\rho^L$  ( $L = 0, 2, 4$ ) = 0.02 MeV were chosen for all isotopes

Nuclei	No.	$\varepsilon_d$	$\xi_1 = \xi_3$	$\xi_2$	$C_\rho^L$ ( $L = 0, 2, 4$ )
$^{152}\text{Sm}$	10	0.48	0.44	0.12	-0.64, -0.07, -0.02
$^{154}\text{Gd}$	11	0.51	0.23	0.10	-0.58, -0.05, -0.04
$^{156}\text{Dy}$	12	0.51	0.32	0.11	-0.57, 0.25, -0.01
$^{160}\text{Er}$	12	0.51	0.30	0.10	-0.50, -0.18, 0.08
$^{170}\text{W}$	11	0.51	0.30	0.10	-0.77, -0.14, 0.42
$^{176}\text{Os}$	12	0.51	0.30	0.10	-0.85, -0.21, 0.08

2) To investigate the probability of electric and magnetic transitions, as well as the mixing ratio.

3) To determine the positions of the symmetry and mixed-symmetry states.

## 2. The Model

With  $s$ - and  $d$ -bosons, the general model Hamiltonian is written as follows [16]:

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \varepsilon_i + \sum_{i>j}^N V_{ij}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\varepsilon_i$  and  $V_{ij}$  are the single-boson energies and the interaction between two bosons. In the multipole form, it can be written as follows [17, 18]

$$H_{sd} = \varepsilon_d \hat{n}_d + a_0 P^\dagger \cdot P + a_1 \hat{L} \cdot \hat{L} + a_2 \hat{Q} \cdot \hat{Q} + a_3 \hat{T}_3 \cdot \hat{T}_3 + a_4 \hat{T}_4 \cdot \hat{T}_4, \quad (2)$$

where  $\varepsilon_d$ ,  $\hat{n}_d$ ,  $P^\dagger$ ,  $\hat{L}$ ,  $\hat{Q}$ ,  $\hat{T}_r$  are the  $d$ -boson energy, the total number of  $d$ -bosons, the pairing, the quadrupole, the octupole ( $r = 3$ ) and the hexadecapole ( $r = 4$ ) operator, respectively. The description of the band structure of even-even nuclei has

been performed within the framework of the IBM-2 [19–21]. The Hamiltonian used in the present work is denoted as follows [22, 23]

$$H = H_\pi + H_\nu + H_{\pi\nu} \quad (3)$$

and

$$H = \varepsilon_d (\hat{n}_{d\nu} + \hat{n}_{d\pi}) + k_{\pi\nu} \hat{Q}_\nu \cdot \hat{Q}_\pi + \hat{V}_{\nu\nu} + \hat{V}_{\pi\pi} + \hat{M}_{\nu\pi}, \quad (4)$$

where  $\varepsilon_d$ , and  $n_{d\rho}$  are the energy and the number of  $d$ -boson, respectively. The  $k_{\pi\nu} \hat{Q}_\nu \cdot \hat{Q}_\pi$  term represents the quadrupole interaction. The quadrupole operator is written as:

$$\hat{Q}_\rho = (d_\rho^\dagger s_\rho + s_\rho^\dagger \tilde{d}_\rho)^{(2)} + \chi_\rho (d_\rho^\dagger \tilde{d}_\rho)^{(2)}, \quad (5)$$

$V_{\pi\pi}$  and  $V_{\nu\nu}$  represent interaction between similar bosons, where

$$\hat{V}_{\rho\rho} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{L=0,2,4} C_\rho^{(L)} [d_\rho^\dagger d_\rho]^{(L)} \cdot [\tilde{d}_\rho \tilde{d}_\rho]^{(L)}. \quad (6)$$

The  $\hat{M}_{\nu\pi}$  is the Majorana term, is expressed as follows:

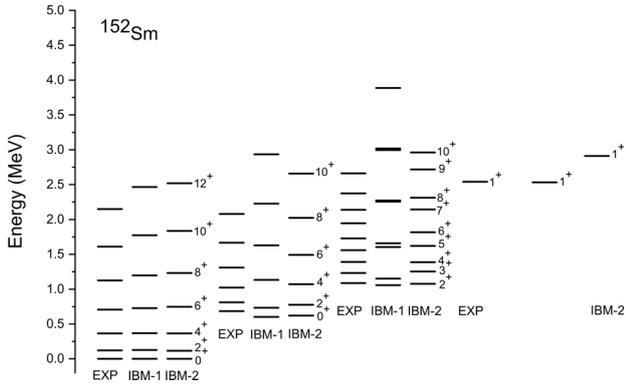
$$\hat{M}_{\nu\pi} = \frac{1}{2} \xi_2 [s_\nu^\dagger d_\pi^\dagger - d_\nu^\dagger s_\pi^\dagger]^{(2)} \cdot [s_\nu \tilde{d}_\pi - \tilde{d}_\nu s_\pi]^{(2)} - \sum_{k=1,3} \xi_k [d_\nu^\dagger d_\pi^\dagger]^{(k)} \cdot [\tilde{d}_\nu \tilde{d}_\pi]^{(k)} \quad (7)$$

and it only affects on the energy of the mixed-symmetry states [24, 25].

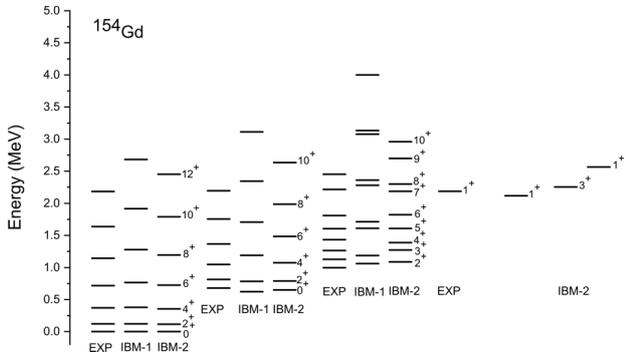
## 3. Results and Discussion

### 3.1. Positive-parity states

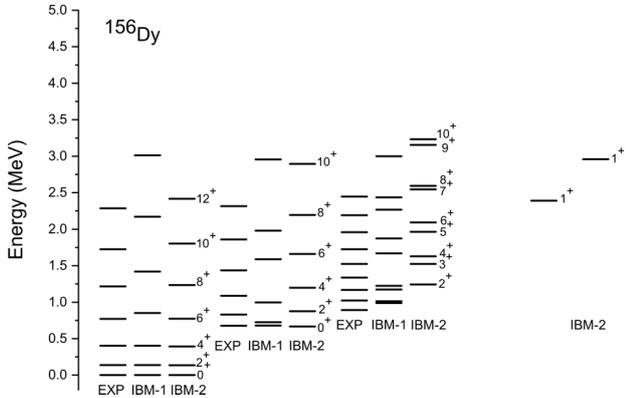
In the present study, the parameters used in IBM-1 and IBM-2 are shown in Tables 1 and 2, respectively. To determine the energy spectra of nuclei under study, the  $\varepsilon_d$  and  $\kappa_{\pi\nu}$  parameters were chosen



**Fig. 1.** The energy spectrum calculated in the boson model and the empirical data [26] of the  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  isotope

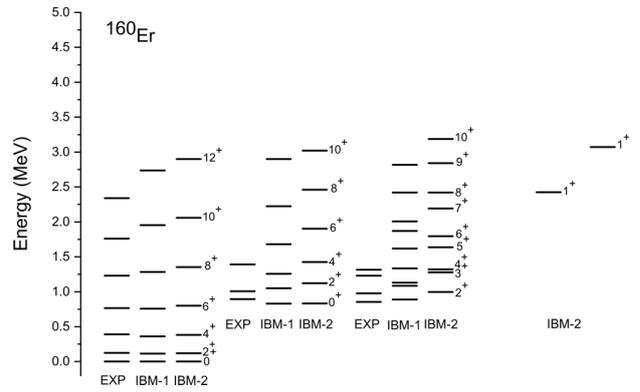


**Fig. 2.** The energy spectrum calculated in the boson model and the empirical data [26] of the  $^{154}\text{Gd}$  isotope

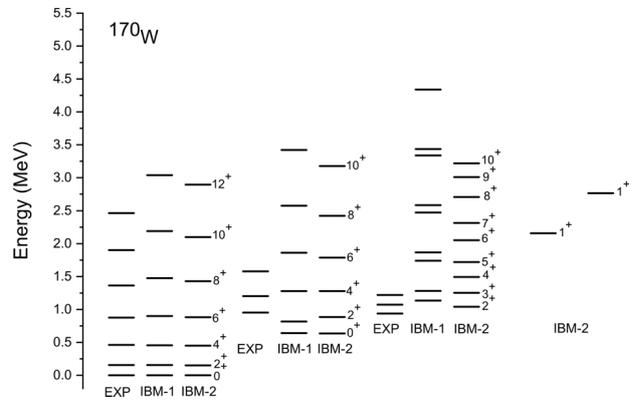


**Fig. 3.** The energy spectrum calculated in the boson model and the empirical data [26] of the  $^{156}\text{Dy}$  isotope

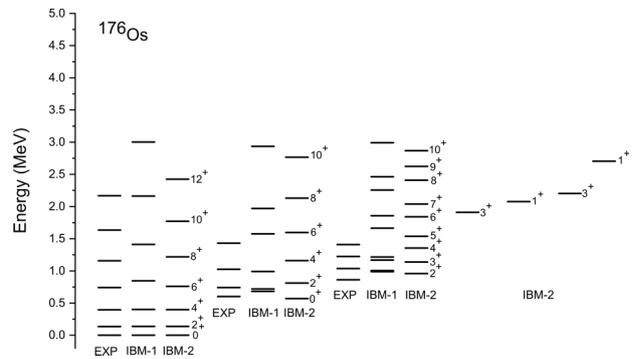
to fit the experimental low-lying energies as closely as possible. The values of  $\chi_\pi$  and  $\chi_\nu$  were kept constant at  $(-1.2)$ . The values of  $\kappa_{\pi\nu}$  and  $C_\nu^L (L = 0, 2, 4)$  were also kept fixed along the isotopic chain with  $-0.06$  and  $0.02$ , respectively, as shown in Table 2. In



**Fig. 4.** The energy spectrum calculated in the boson model and the empirical data [26] of the  $^{160}\text{Er}$  isotope

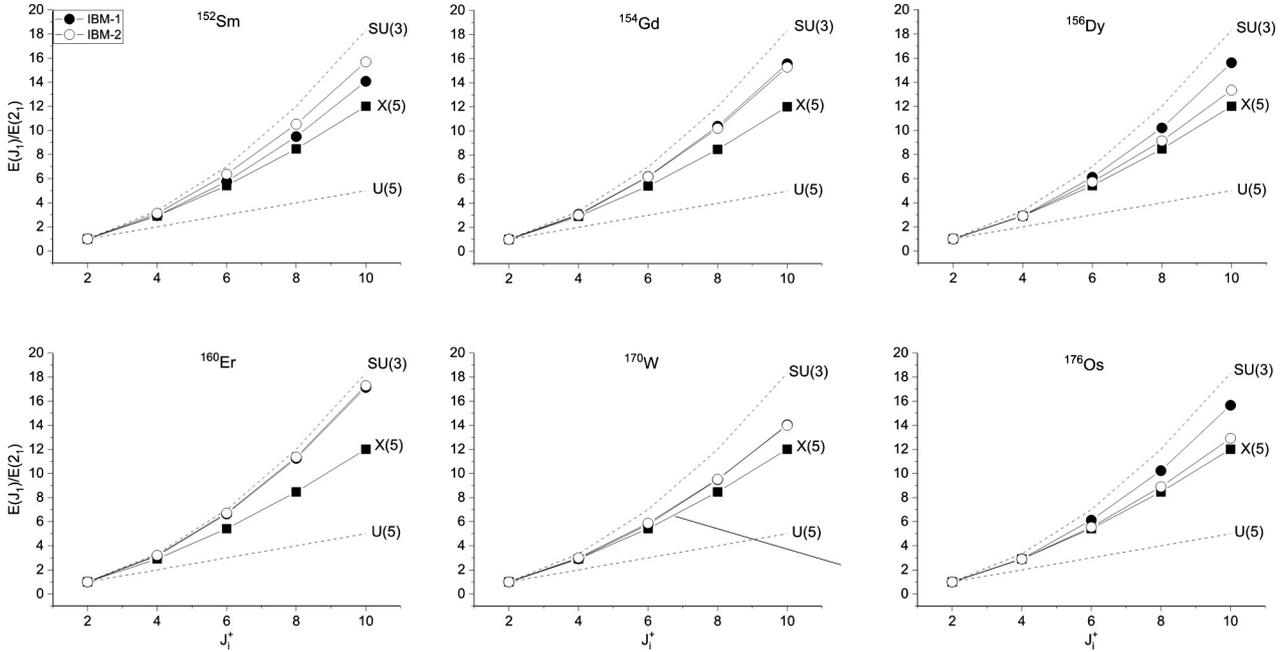


**Fig. 5.** The energy spectrum calculated in the boson model and the empirical data [26] of the  $^{170}\text{W}$  isotope

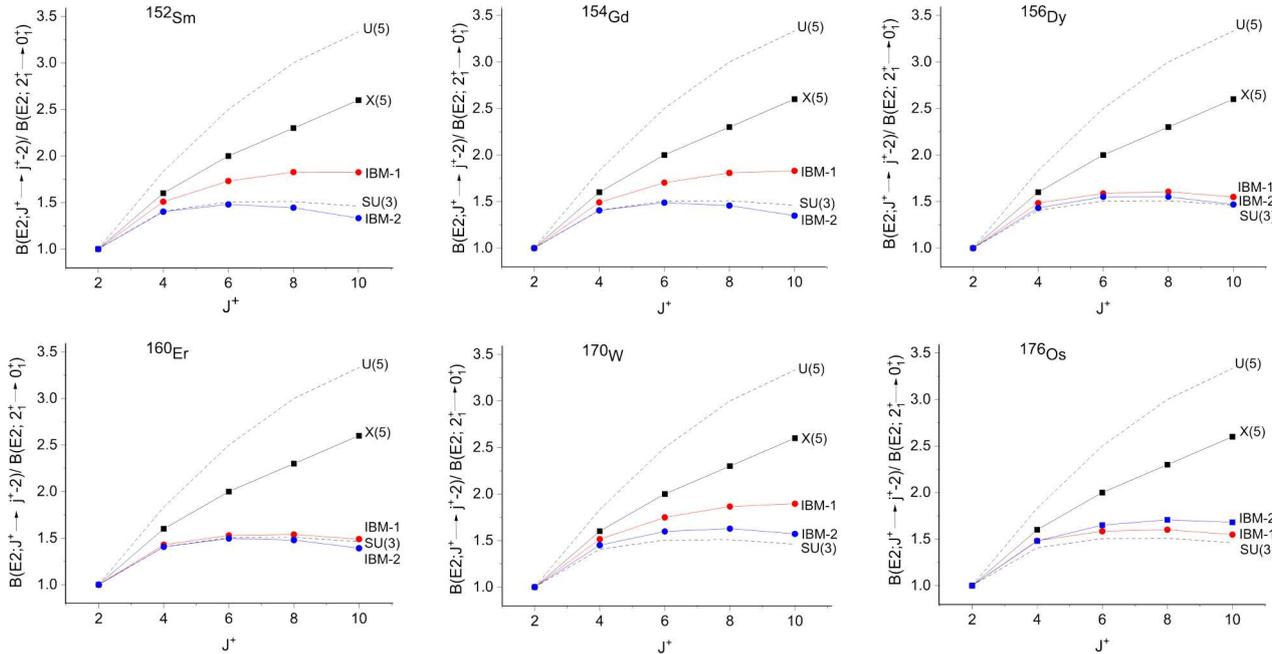


**Fig. 6.** The energy spectrum calculated in the boson model and the empirical data [26] of the  $^{176}\text{Os}$  isotope

Figs. 1–6, the obtained results are presented together with the relevant experimental data. Examination of these figures shows that the model calculations agree with the experimental results, in particular,  $0_2^+$  states (two-phonon states). For the  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  isotope,



**Fig. 7.** The values of the  $E(J_i^+)/E(2_1^+)$  for the yrast bands of even-even  $^{152}\text{Sm}$ ,  $^{154}\text{Gd}$ ,  $^{156}\text{Dy}$ ,  $^{160}\text{Er}$ ,  $^{170}\text{W}$  and  $^{176}\text{Os}$  nuclei as well as the X(5), U(5) and SU(3) predictions



**Fig. 8.** The  $B(E2; J_i^+ \rightarrow J_i^+ - 2)/B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$ , in comparison with the U(5), SU(3) limit values and the X(5) predictions

the g.s. band is well predicted. The  $E(4_1^+)$  values are 0.366, 0.369 and 0.366 MeV and  $6_1^+$  state lies at 0.706, 0.727 and 0.746 MeV for Exp, IBM-1, and IBM-2 re-

sults, respectively. The energy of the  $2_3^+$  state was observed at 1.086 MeV in comparison with the IBM-1 and IBM-2 at 1.058, and 1.076 MeV, respectively. For

the  $^{154}\text{Gd}$  isotope, Fig. 2 shows that the calculated states are all in good order and agree reasonably with the empirical data except for the  $\gamma$ -band states are higher than the experimental ones. The model results are successful in predicting the low-lying yrast states and  $\beta$ -band of the  $^{156}\text{Dy}$  and  $^{160}\text{Er}$  nuclei, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4. For the  $^{170}\text{W}$  isotope, the theoretical and experimental energy levels are plotted in Fig. 5. As may be observed in Fig. 6, the results of the first and second versions of the IBM of  $2_3^+$ ,  $3_1^+$  and  $5_1^+$  states are equal to (0.987, 0.958), (1.003, 1.137), and (1.215, 1.538) MeV. These values agree with the empirical ones at 0.863, 1.037, and 1.409 MeV, respectively. The  $E(J_i^+)/E(2_1^+)$ , with  $J_i^+ = 4_1^+ - 10_1^+$  is illustrated in Fig. 7.

In Fig. 8, the  $B(E2; J_i^+ \rightarrow J_i^+ - 2)/B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$  are plotted together with the X(5) predictions, as well as the U(5) and SU(3) limit values. Fig. 9 includes the  $E4_1^+/E2_1^+$  and  $E0_2^+/E2_1^+$  energy ratios in the IBM-2 prediction and the critical point symmetry X(5) value. The  $R_{4/2}$  values are 3.13, 3.01, and 3.21 for  $^{152}\text{Sm}$ ,  $^{154}\text{Gd}$  and  $^{160}\text{Er}$  nuclei, respectively, which reflect the SU(3) limit. While the  $R_{4/2}$  values are 2.91, 2.95 and 2.90 for  $^{156}\text{Dy}$ ,  $^{170}\text{W}$ , and  $^{176}\text{Os}$  nuclei, respectively, which indicate the X(5) character. In Fig. 10, the g.s. band levels of the Sm-Os nuclei, together with the corresponding experimental levels, are plotted. It can be shown in Fig. 11 that a change in the value of  $\zeta_2$  has a significant effect on the energy of the mixed-symmetry states.

### 3.2. Negative-parity states

By introducing the  $L = 3$  boson ( $f$ -boson) into the  $sd$ -boson space, negative parity states for the Sm-Os nuclei have been explained within the  $sd\bar{f}$  space model[29], where

$$N = n_s + n_d + n_f. \quad (8)$$

The Hamiltonian of the IBM-1 used to describe energy scheme is written as follows [29, 30]

$$H = H_{sd} + H_f + V_{sd\bar{f}}, \quad (9)$$

the  $H_{sd}$  term describes the  $sd$  space,  $H_f$  is the  $f$ -boson Hamiltonian. The  $V_{sd\bar{f}}$  term is written in the following form [18, 23, 31]

$$V_{sd\bar{f}}^{\text{mult}} = A_1 L_d \cdot L_f + A_2 Q_d \cdot Q_f - A_3 Q^3 \cdot Q^3. \quad (10)$$

The results are presented together with corresponding experimental data in Figs. 12–14. For all nuclei,

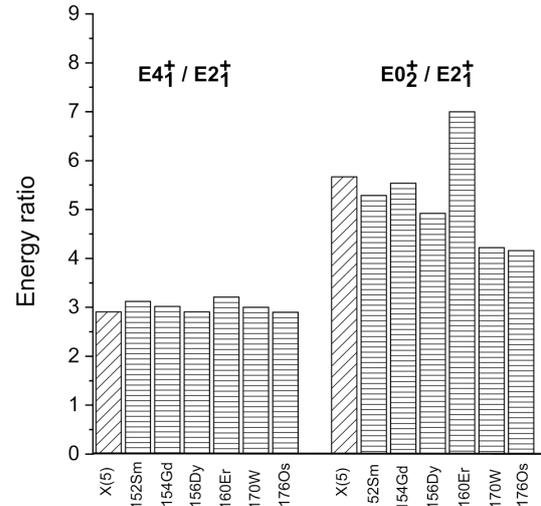


Fig. 9.  $E4_1^+/E2_1^+$  and  $E0_2^+/E2_1^+$  for the IBM-2 predictions and X(5) values

the position of the lower band with the  $1_1^-$  head-band has been reproduced. Fig. 12 shows the comparison of the present calculation for the  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  and  $^{154}\text{Gd}$  isotopes with experimental data. For  $^{152}\text{Sm}$ , the energies of the  $(1_1^-, 3_1^-)$  states in the empirical and model results are (0.963, 1.041) and (0.965, 1.053) MeV, respectively. Minkov *et al.* [32] proposed the  $1_1^-$  level at 0.853 MeV and the  $3_1^-$  level at 0.922 MeV. Experimentally, the energy of the  $5_1^-$  state is equal to 1.221 MeV, while the predicted energy is 1.224 MeV, whereas the energy values of the  $7_1^-$  state are 1.505 and 1.540 MeV.

The energy of the  $4_1^-$  state for the  $^{154}\text{Gd}$  isotope is 1.559 and 1.501 MeV for empirical and model, respectively. For the  $^{160}\text{Er}$  isotope, the  $E(4_1^-)$ ,  $E(6_1^-)$ , and  $E(8_1^-)$  levels are 1.632, 1.944, and 2.363 MeV, which are extremely close to observed ones at 1.638, 1.908, and 2.294 MeV as shown in Fig. 13, respectively. For the  $^{176}\text{Os}$  isotope,  $E(4_1^-) = 1.475$  and 1.474 MeV in the empirical and model results, respectively. The  $E(2_1^-)$  state is calculated at 1.316 MeV as shown in Fig. 14. The variation in the energy of the negative-parity states is shown in Fig. 10.

### 4. Electromagnetic Transitions

The general electric quadrupole transition operator is written as follows [31]:

$$\hat{T}(E2) = e_{2SD}(s^\dagger \tilde{d} + d^\dagger s)^{(2)} + e_{2DD}(d^\dagger \tilde{d})^{(2)}, \quad (11)$$



where

$$\Delta = \frac{\langle j_f \| T^{E2} \| J_i \rangle}{\langle J_f \| T^{M1} \| J_i \rangle}. \quad (18)$$

The  $B(E2/M1)$  transition probability is defined as follows:

$$B(E2/M1; J_i \rightarrow J_f) = \frac{1}{2J_i + 1} |\langle J_f \| T^{E2/M1} \| J_i \rangle|^2. \quad (19)$$

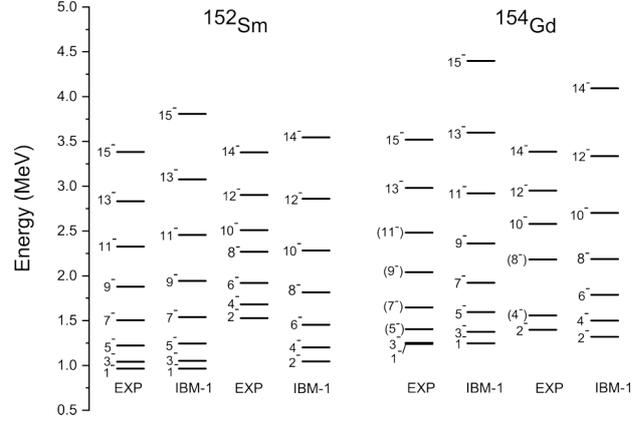
For IBM-1 calculations, the effective boson charges  $e_{2SD}$  and  $e_{2DD}$  in the transition operator in Eq. (11) are adjusted to the experimental data of  $B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$ . Table 3 includes the values of the  $e_{2SD}$  and  $e_{2DD}$  parameters. In IBM-2 calculations, for the magnetic transitions, we take  $g_\nu = 0.12\mu_N$ ,  $g_\pi = 0.85\mu_N$  for all nuclei. Table 4 displays the  $B(E2)$  values calculated in ( $e^2b^2$ ) for the Sm-Os nuclei. The experimental results are compared with the IBM results. From this table, one can see that the  $B(E2)$  values of the  $4_1^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+$  transition are equal to 1.009(105), 1.0478 and 0.9672 for the  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  isotope in the (Exp, IBM-1 and IBM-2) results. As shown in Table 5, the  $B(E2; J_i^- \rightarrow J_f^-)$  transition probabilities between the members of octupole bands are calculated.

The  $B(E2; 11_1^- \rightarrow 9_1^-) = 1.0065(5032)$ ,  $0.4955 e^2b^2$  for the  $^{170}\text{W}$  isotope in the (Exp, IBM-1) results, respectively. The  $B(E1)$  and  $B(E3)$  for  $^{152}\text{Sm}$ ,  $^{154}\text{Gd}$ ,  $^{156}\text{Dy}$ ,  $^{160}\text{Er}$ ,  $^{170}\text{W}$ , and  $^{176}\text{Os}$  nuclei were calculated as shown in Tables 6 and 7. The values of coefficients  $e_{1Q}$ ,  $e_{1Df}$ ,  $e_{3Q}$ ,  $e_{3SF}$  and  $e_{3DF}$  are listed in Table 3, these values are estimated by fitting the observed  $B(E1; 1_1^- \rightarrow 2_1^+)$  in the  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  and  $^{154}\text{Gd}$ , respectively. There is no experimental data for  $B(E3)$ .

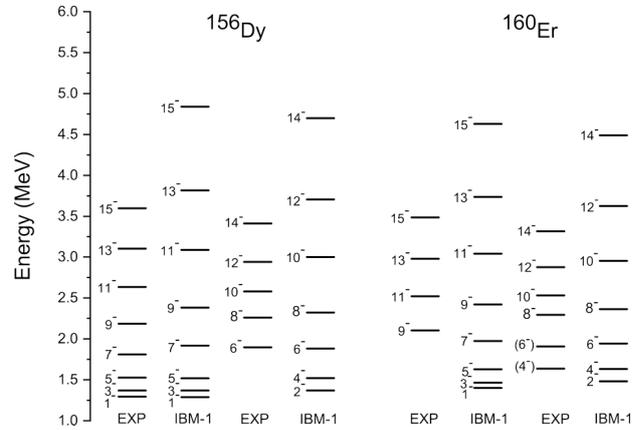
The  $B(M1)$  values are shown in Tables 8. We observed that the theoretical values of  $B(M1; 1_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)$  transition is larger than  $B(M1; 1_1^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$  transition for all the nuclei under study, and these transitions

**Table 3. The values of ( $e_{2SD}, e_{2DD}$ ) (in units of  $e b$ ), ( $e_{1Q}, e_{1DF}$ ) (in units of  $e b^{1/2}$ ) and ( $e_{3Q}, e_{3SF}$ ) (in units of  $e b^{3/2}$ ), where  $e_{1Df} = e_{3SF} = e_{3DF} = 0.0$**

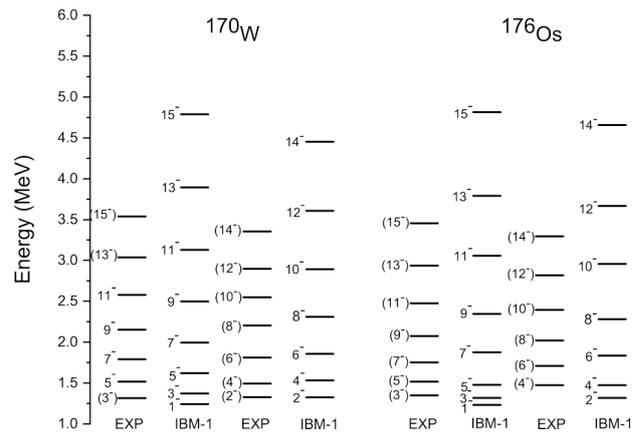
$B(E\lambda)$	Parameter	$^{152}\text{Sm}$	$^{154}\text{Gd}$	$^{156}\text{Dy}$	$^{160}\text{Er}$	$^{170}\text{W}$	$^{176}\text{Os}$
$B(E2)$	$e_{2SD}$	0.196	0.189	0.278	0.254	0.182	0.296
	$e_{2DD}$	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.030
$B(E1)$	$e_{1Q}$	0.050	0.134	0.050	0.050	0.050	0.050
$B(E3)$	$e_{3Q}$	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000



**Fig. 12.** Calculated and observed level schemes in the  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  and  $^{154}\text{Gd}$  isotopes



**Fig. 13.** Calculated and observed level schemes in the  $^{156}\text{Dy}$  and  $^{160}\text{Er}$  isotopes



**Fig. 14.** Calculated and observed level schemes in the  $^{170}\text{W}$  and  $^{176}\text{Os}$  isotopes

Table 4. The absolute  $B(E2)$  values calculated in  $(e^2b^2)$ , compared with the available experimental data [26]

$J_i^+ \rightarrow J_f^+$	$^{152}\text{Sm}$			$^{154}\text{Gd}$			$^{156}\text{Dy}$		
	Exp	IBM-1	IBM-2	Exp	IBM-1	IBM-2	Exp	IBM-1	IBM-2
$2_1 \rightarrow 0_1$	0.698(77)	0.6946	0.6901	0.770(4)	0.7777	0.7521	0.748(84)	0.7445	0.7470
$4_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	1.009(105)	1.0478	0.9672	1.200(44)	1.1594	1.0572	1.220(119)	1.1048	1.0697
$6_1 \rightarrow 4_1$	1.156(19)	1.2024	1.0214	1.396(73)	1.3249	1.1191	1.316(64)	1.1813	1.1584
$8_1 \rightarrow 6_1$	1.411(19)	1.2693	0.9969	1.529(83)	1.4055	1.0964	1.401(39)	1.1951	1.1592
$10_1 \rightarrow 8_1$	$1.512_{-125}^{+168}$	1.2683	0.9198	1.764(19)	1.4228	1.0142	1.546(14)	1.1532	1.0980
$12_1 \rightarrow 10_1$		1.2050	0.8019		1.3829	0.8958	1.645(19)	1.0640	0.9933
$2_2 \rightarrow 0_1$	0.004(28)	0.0536	0.0003	0.004(34)	0.0508	0.0004		0.1275	0.0019
$2_2 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.027(19)	0.3831	0.0001	0.032(29)	0.3383	0.0003		0.0050	0.1346
$2_2 \rightarrow 4_1$	0.086(57)	0.0014	0.0009	0.096(78)	0.0018	0.0027		1.9886	0.0177
$2_3 \rightarrow 0_1$	0.013(19)	0.0354	0.0002	0.027(24)	0.0501	0.0008	0.035(39)	0.0591	0.0087
$2_3 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.041(42)	0.0146	0.0069	0.060(49)	0.0211	0.0063	0.046(59)	0.2986	0.0400
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.1336	0.0006		0.1546	0.0015		0.1204	0.0145
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_2$		0.5674	0.0132		0.5600	0.0143		0.5742	0.0012
$5_1 \rightarrow 3_1$		0.6615	0.4368		0.7259	0.4811		0.4565	0.5143
		$^{160}\text{Er}$			$^{170}\text{W}$			$^{176}\text{Os}$	
$2_1 \rightarrow 0_1$	0.856(36)	0.8560	0.8327	0.693(16)	0.6953	0.6957	0.843(29)	0.8472	0.8189
$4_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	1.237(46)	1.2234	1.1712	1.001(11)	1.0536	1.0089		1.2511	1.2101
$6_1 \rightarrow 4_1$	1.351(77)	1.3095	1.2459	1.056(78)	1.2165	1.1112		1.3372	1.3502
$8_1 \rightarrow 6_1$	1.547(36)	1.3183	1.2318	1.062(279)	1.2977	1.1323		1.3525	1.3964
$10_1 \rightarrow 8_1$	1.495(36)	1.2754	1.1586	0.950(223)	1.3180	1.0938		1.3048	1.3751
$12_1 \rightarrow 10_1$		1.1915	1.0342		1.2835	0.9919		1.2046	1.2754
$2_2 \rightarrow 0_1$		0.1015	0.0006		0.0484	0.0001		0.1401	0.0012
$2_2 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.0256	0.0033		0.3627	0.0434		0.0064	0.0640
$2_2 \rightarrow 4_1$		0.0671	0.0024		0.0031	0.0565		0.1381	0.0742
$2_3 \rightarrow 0_1$		0.0520	0.0057		0.0387	0.0080		0.0711	0.0068
$2_3 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.2292	0.0093		0.0196	0.0156		0.3369	0.0169
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.1096	0.0085		0.1332	0.0114		0.1332	0.0129
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_2$		0.7666	0.0007		0.5382	0.0707		0.6616	0.1631
$5_1 \rightarrow 3_1$		0.5209	0.5604		0.6705	0.4924		0.5151	0.6368

are the strongest. The  $M1$  decay of  $1_1^+$  to  $2_2^+$  and  $2_3^+$  states are dominant for all isotopes. The mixing ratio  $\delta(E2/M1)$  for the selected transitions are presented in Table 9. We observe that for the  $^{176}\text{Os}$  isotope, the  $\delta(3_1^+ \rightarrow 4_1^+)$  is equal to  $-2.9_{-7}^{+5}$  and  $-2.582$  in the Exp and predicted values, respectively. The  $3_1^+$  state has dominant  $M1$  decays to  $2_1^+$  with  $\delta(E2/M1) = -2.195$ . The  $3_2^+$  state decays to  $2_1^+$  by dominant  $M1$  with  $\delta(E2/M1) = +1.157$ , in the  $^{170}\text{W}$  isotope.

### 5. The Energy Displacement $\delta E(J^-)$

We have studied the energy displacement  $\delta E(J^-)$  to determine to identify whether the members of rotational bands are octupole-deformed or octupole-vibrational states. This distinction can be investi-

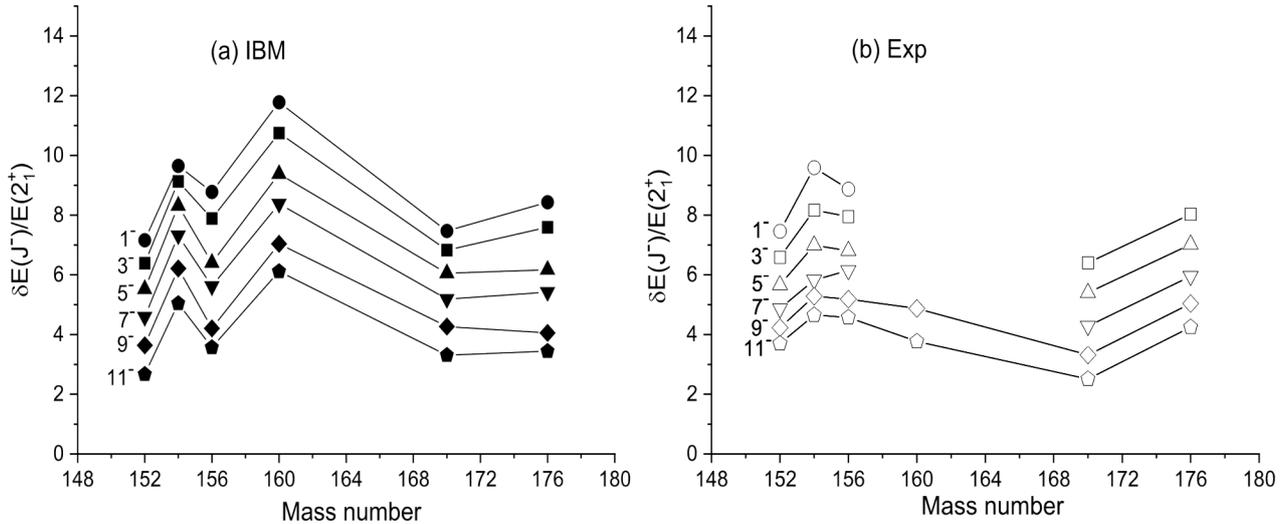
gated by the quantity [34]

$$\delta E(J^-) = E(J^-) - \frac{E[(J+1)^+] + E[(J-1)^+]}{2}, \quad (20)$$

where  $E(J^-)$  denotes the excitation energies of odd- $J^-$  yrast states, and  $E((J \pm 1)^+)$  denotes the excitation energies of even- $J^+$  yrast states. In Fig. 15, the calculated  $\delta E(J^-)/E(2_1^+)$  values for the  $J^- = 1^-, 3^-, 5^-, 7^-, 9^-$  and  $11^-$  states are shown. For the nuclei under investigation, the ratios  $\delta E(J^-)/E(2_1^+)$  for each angular momentum are not equal to zero, indicating that they are octupole-deformed states.

### 6. Potential Energy Surface

The PES is very successful in describing the nuclear shape. Its values as a function of the deformation pa-



**Fig. 15.** The energy displacement  $\delta E(J^-)$ , normalized with respect to the  $2_1^+$  state, as a function of the mass number for the  $J^- = 1^-, 3^-, 5^-, 7^-, 9^-,$  and  $11^-$  states

parameters  $\beta_2$  and  $\gamma$  are given by [18]:

$$V(\beta_2, \gamma) = \frac{N_B}{1 + \beta_2^2} (R_1 + R_2 \beta_2^2) + \frac{N_B(N_B - 1)}{(1 + \beta_2^2)^2} (R_3 \beta_2^4 + R_4 \beta_2^3 \cos 3\gamma + R_5 \beta_2^2 + R_6), \quad (21)$$

where  $\beta_2$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $N_B$  represent the quadrupole deformation, asymmetry angle, and boson number.  $R_1$  to  $R_6$  are related to the Hamiltonian parameters. In

**Table 5.** The calculated  $B(E2)$  (in units of  $e^2 b^2$ ), the available experimental data [26] for  $B(E2; 2_1^- \rightarrow 3_1^-)$  and  $B(E2; 2_1^- \rightarrow 1_1^-)$  which are equal to  $0.1204(0.0240)$  and  $0.0067(0.0433)$  for the  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  isotope, respectively and  $B(E2; 11_1^- \rightarrow 9_1^-)$  is equal to  $1.0065(5032)$  for the  $^{170}\text{W}$  isotope

$J_i^- \rightarrow J_f^-$	$^{152}\text{Sm}$	$^{154}\text{Gd}$	$^{156}\text{Dy}$	$^{160}\text{Er}$	$^{170}\text{W}$	$^{176}\text{Os}$
$3_1 \rightarrow 1_1$	0.2656	0.3258	0.0562	0.0891	0.2941	0.0563
$4_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.2608	0.3214	0.0271	0.0586	0.2765	0.0278
$5_1 \rightarrow 3_1$	0.3447	0.4083	0.0837	0.1314	0.3993	0.0834
$6_1 \rightarrow 4_1$	0.3324	0.3937	0.0671	0.1112	0.3794	0.0673
$6_1 \rightarrow 5_1$	0.0045	0.0415	0.0139	0.0218	0.0571	0.0137
$7_1 \rightarrow 5_1$	0.3581	0.4573	0.0923	0.1454	0.4522	0.0921
$8_1 \rightarrow 6_1$	0.3490	0.4361	0.0825	0.1302	0.4348	0.0823
$8_1 \rightarrow 7_1$	0.0010	0.0343	0.0099	0.0140	0.0409	0.0097
$9_1 \rightarrow 7_1$	0.3371	0.4847	0.1008	0.1532	0.4833	0.1003
$10_1 \rightarrow 8_1$	0.3315	0.4584	0.0882	0.1360	0.4612	0.0878
$10_1 \rightarrow 9_1$	0.0001	0.0269	0.0055	0.0087	0.0298	0.0054
$11_1 \rightarrow 9_1$	0.2890	0.4945	0.0988	0.1505	0.4955	0.0984
$13_1 \rightarrow 11_1$	0.2162	0.4858	0.0947	0.1428	0.4881	0.0941

Fig. 16, we display the contour plot of the PES for Sm–Os nuclei. The results show that these isotopes are deformed and exhibit rotational-like characteristics  $SU(3)$ .

In Refs. [35–38], the quadrupole-octupole deformation energy surfaces in the quadrupole ( $\beta_2$ ) and the octupole ( $\beta_3$ ) shape variables in the boson system have been found for many isotopic chains. Where

$$V(\beta_2, \beta_3) = \frac{N_B}{1 + \beta_2^2 + \beta_3^2} (\epsilon'_s + \epsilon'_d \bar{\beta}_2^2 + \epsilon'_f \bar{\beta}_3^2) +$$

**Table 6.** The transition probabilities  $B(E1)$  in  $10^{-3} e^2 b$  units compared with the experimental data [26]

$J_i^- \rightarrow J_f^+$	$^{152}\text{Sm}$		$^{154}\text{Gd}$		$^{156}\text{Dy}$	$^{160}\text{Er}$	$^{170}\text{W}$	$^{176}\text{Os}$
	Exp	IBM	Exp	IBM	IBM	IBM	IBM	IBM
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.149	0.002		3.178	1.750	1.698	0.492	1.761
	(27)							
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_2$		0.001		0.644	0.004	0.001	0.082	0.004
$1_1 \rightarrow 0_1$	0.106	0.005	0.889	1.185	1.720	1.630	0.199	1.721
	(49)							
$1_1 \rightarrow 0_2$		0.008	0.106	1.255	0.161	0.194	0.266	0.159
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.195	0.141	0.898	0.889	0.112	0.126	0.052	0.114
	(16)							
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_2$	0.004	0.037	0.118	0.397	0.040	0.031	0.042	0.039
	(26)							
$2_1 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.118		1.386	0.633	0.701	0.176	0.064
$2_1 \rightarrow 2_2$		0.055		0.808	0.229	0.177	0.149	0.225
$5_1 \rightarrow 4_1$		0.001		5.540	1.746	1.751	0.809	1.758

Table 7. The calculated values for the transition probabilities  $B(E3)$  in  $e^2b^3$  units for the Sm–Os nuclei

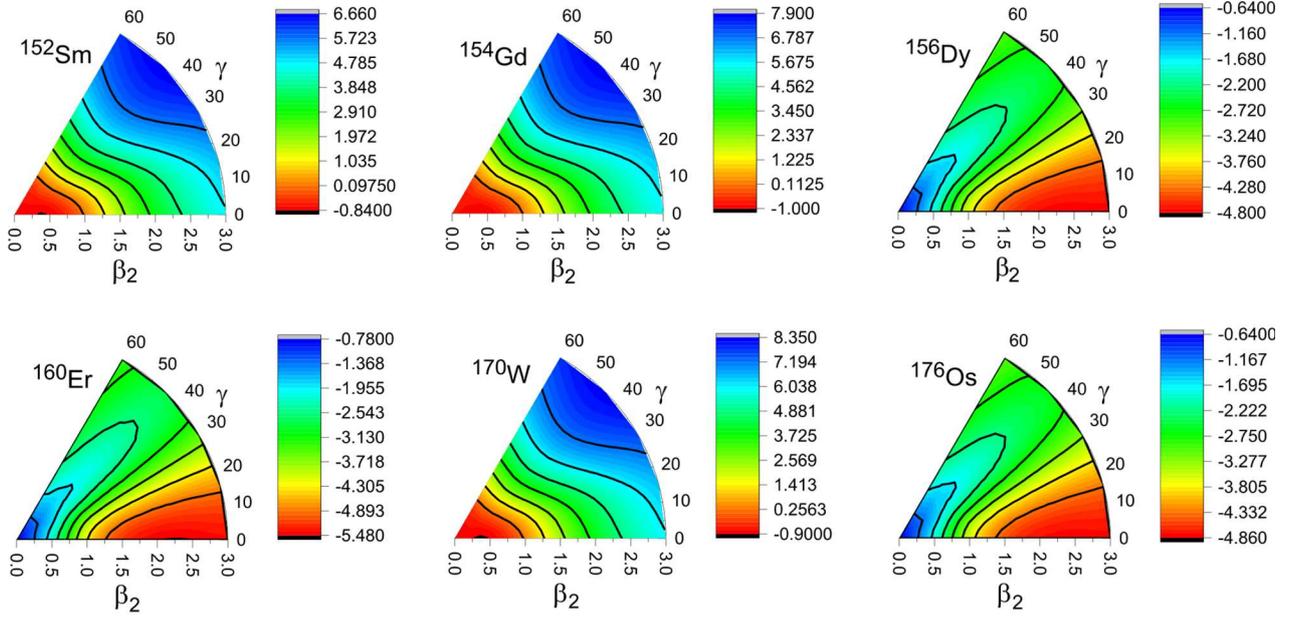
$J_i^- \rightarrow J_f^+$	$^{152}\text{Sm}$	$^{154}\text{Gd}$	$^{156}\text{Dy}$	$^{160}\text{Er}$	$^{170}\text{W}$	$^{176}\text{Os}$	$J_i^- \rightarrow J_f^+$	$^{152}\text{Sm}$	$^{154}\text{Gd}$	$^{156}\text{Dy}$	$^{160}\text{Er}$	$^{170}\text{W}$	$^{176}\text{Os}$
$3_1 \rightarrow 0_1$	0.0013	2.8975	0.6244	0.9613	4.5097	0.6157	$2_1 \rightarrow 2_2$	0.0032	0.0137	0.1040	0.0553	0.0210	0.0983
$3_1 \rightarrow 0_2$	0.0001	0.0701	0.3988	0.3255	0.1017	0.3888	$2_1 \rightarrow 2_3$	0.0002	0.0021	0.2509	0.2752	0.0017	0.2599
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.0135	3.1564	0.3912	0.4613	3.3041	0.3942	$4_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.0665	1.9956	0.9251	1.1970	3.7302	0.9138
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_2$	0.0005	0.0061	0.0340	0.0141	0.0045	0.0323	$4_1 \rightarrow 2_2$	0.0002	0.0043	0.0936	0.0446	0.0058	0.0876
$3_1 \rightarrow 4_1$	0.2354	1.7541	0.0121	0.0218	0.7675	0.0132	$4_1 \rightarrow 4_1$	0.7334	3.6796	0.0793	0.2016	3.6815	0.0858
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.2227	5.4141	1.0192	1.4106	7.8320	1.0138	$5_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.0006	5.3508	0.9779	1.3273	6.6182	0.9706
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_2$	0.0016	0.0363	0.1077	0.0602	0.0543	0.1020	$5_1 \rightarrow 4_1$	0.0107	2.1644	0.0371	0.0838	1.5938	0.0394
$2_1 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.6864	2.9698	0.9869	1.3425	4.9208	0.9798							

Table 8. The transition probabilities  $B(M1)$  (in units for the  $\mu_N^2$ ) compared with the experimental data [26]

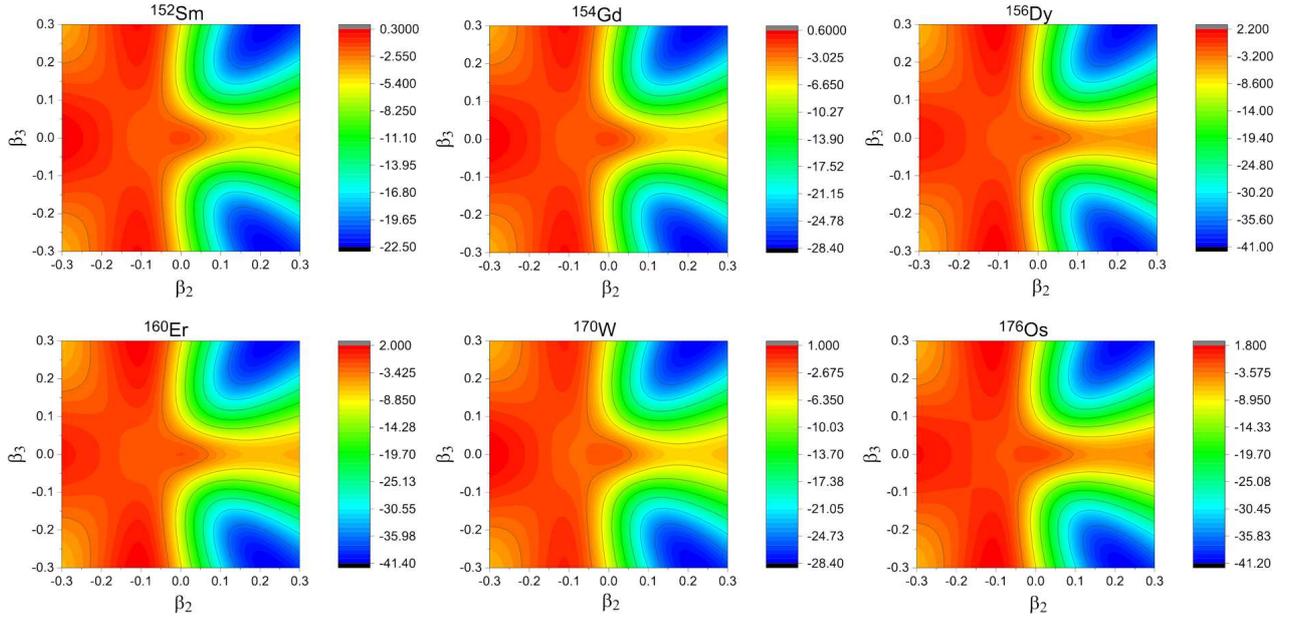
$Ji^+ \rightarrow J_f^+$	$^{152}\text{Sm}$		$^{154}\text{Gd}$		$^{156}\text{Dy}$	$^{160}\text{Er}$	$^{170}\text{W}$	$^{176}\text{Os}$
	Exp	IBM	Exp	IBM	IBM	IBM	IBM	IBM
$2_2 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.0026(125)	0.00101	0.0002(268)	0.00206	0.00079	0.00136	0.00181	0.00130
$2_3 \rightarrow 2_1$	0.0002(537)	0.00024	0.0003(411)	0.00085	0.00332	0.00000	0.00431	0.00538
$2_4 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.00046		0.00129	0.00045	0.00959	0.00989	0.00792
$2_5 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.00020		0.00000	0.00240	0.00815	0.02354	0.01528
$2_5 \rightarrow 2_2$		0.00057		0.00233	0.00256	0.00000	0.01436	0.00301
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.00005		0.00058	0.00259	0.00005	0.00139	0.00113
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_2$		0.00001		0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00013	0.00059
$3_2 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.00001		0.00000	0.00033	0.00004	0.00059	0.00004
$3_2 \rightarrow 2_2$		0.00001		0.00050	0.00117	0.00006	0.00148	0.00057
$3_1 \rightarrow 4_1$	$0.0004^{+107}_{-895}$	0.00013		0.00093	0.00339	0.00003	0.00193	0.00174
$1_1 \rightarrow 0_1$		0.25907		0.30393	0.25276	0.30983	0.18863	0.18086
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_1$		0.15290		0.17981	0.14707	0.18496	0.11651	0.11333
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_2$		0.00698		0.00023	0.00008	0.00024	0.01176	0.01910
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_3$		0.08462		0.07550	0.13498	0.04672	0.05676	0.04562

Table 9. Mixing ratios  $\delta(E2/M1)$  in units of  $eb/\mu_N$  compared with the available experimental data

$Ji^+ \rightarrow J_f^+$	$^{152}\text{Sm}$		$^{154}\text{Gd}$		$^{156}\text{Dy}$	$^{160}\text{Er}$	$^{170}\text{W}$		$^{176}\text{Os}$	
	Exp	IBM	Exp	IBM	IBM	IBM	Exp	IBM	Exp	IBM
$2_2 \rightarrow 2_1$	$+19^{+5}_{-4}$	+0.169	+7.5(4)	+0.234	-2.371	-0.953		+3.250	$-4.2^{+5}_{-6}$	+3.549
$2_3 \rightarrow 2_1$	-9.3(6)	+4.264	-9.4(4)	+1.979	+2.181	-794.651		-1.240	$+11^{+0}_{-5}$	-1.079
$2_4 \rightarrow 2_1$		+2.231		+1.184	-1.499	+0.244		+0.063		-0.087
$2_5 \rightarrow 2_1$		+2.615		-642.968	+0.465	+0.007		-0.216		-0.350
$3_1 \rightarrow 2_1$		+3.206	-7.4(4)	+1.363	+1.747	-8.895	$\leq +15$	-2.195	$-9^{+3}_{-5}$	-2.550
$3_2 \rightarrow 2_1$		-51.234		+381.561	+1.127	-0.300		+1.157		+1.736
$3_1 \rightarrow 4_1$	-6.5(3)	+5.634	-6.1(3)	+2.136	+1.655	-8.284		-2.080	$-2.9^{+5}_{-7}$	-2.582
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_1$		-0.510		-0.364	-0.503	-0.572		-1.181		-1.382
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_2$		-1.457		-4.643	-8.059	-5.626		+0.218		+0.272
$1_1 \rightarrow 2_3$		+0.118		-0.153	-0.242	-0.052		+0.062		+0.005
$1_2 \rightarrow 2_3$		-0.282		-0.222	+0.517	-0.541		+0.166		+0.081



**Fig. 16.** The potential energy surface for the Sm–Os nuclei, within the deformation parameters:  $0^\circ \leq \gamma \leq 60^\circ$  and  $0 \leq \beta_2 \leq 3$



**Fig. 17.** The IBM potential energy surface for the Sm–Os nuclei in the  $(\beta_2, \beta_3)$  plane

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{N_B(N_B - 1)}{(1 + \bar{\beta}_2^2 + \bar{\beta}_3^2)^2} \left[ \kappa_2 \left( 2\bar{\beta}_2 - \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} \chi_d \bar{\beta}_2^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{21}} \chi_f \bar{\beta}_3^2 \right)^2 \right] + \left. \begin{aligned} & \text{with} \\ & \epsilon'_s = 5\kappa_2, \quad \epsilon'_d = \epsilon_d + 6\alpha + (1 + \chi_d^2)\kappa_2, \\ & \epsilon'_f = \epsilon_f + \frac{5}{7}\kappa_2\chi_f^2, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (22)
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha = a_0/2$ ,  $k_2 = 2a_2$ ,  $\chi_3 = \sqrt{5}\chi$  and  $k_3 = A_3$ .  $\bar{\beta}$  is different from  $\beta$  [39]. The PES( $\beta_2, \beta_3$ ) are graphed in Fig. 17. For all isotopes, the PES is symmetric with respect to the  $\beta_3 = 0$  axis. The quadrupole deformation shape becomes clear in these isotopes. The ground state has no octupole deformation.

## 7. Conclusion

In conclusion, the positive- and negative-parity bands of rare-earth Sm–Os nuclei have been studied. The results of the model suggest that the  $^{156}\text{Dy}$ ,  $^{170}\text{W}$ , and  $^{176}\text{Os}$  are good candidates for X(5) symmetry, but the  $^{152}\text{Sm}$ ,  $^{154}\text{Gd}$ , and  $^{160}\text{Er}$  are poor candidates for X(5) critical-point symmetry. The calculated ratio  $R = \langle J | F^2 | J \rangle / F_{\max}(F_{\max} + 1)$ , which measures the F-spin of states, and the effect of the Majorana  $\zeta_2$  parameter on the energy levels. The results show that the  $2_3^+$ ,  $2_4^+$ , and  $2_5^+$  are fully symmetric states, and the  $1_1^+$  state is the lowest mixed-symmetry state in all nuclei.

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ДОСЛІДЖЕННЯ СТРУКТУРИ X(5)  
У ПАРНО-ПАРНИХ ЯДРАХ РІДКІСНОЗЕМЕЛЬНИХ  
ЕЛЕМЕНТІВ Sm-Os В ОБЛАСТІ  $N \approx 90$ 

Структура ротаційних смуг та форма ядер в області  $N \approx 90$  досліджуються за допомогою моделі взаємодіючих бозонів. Досліджено енергетичні рівні та відношення енергій. Ми вивчали відношення  $\delta E(J^-)/E(2_1^+)$  в залежності від масового числа для станів від  $J^- = 1^-$  до  $J^- = 11^-$ . Було розраховано відношення  $E(J_i^+)/E(2_1^+)$  енергій ротаційної смуги в залежності від кутового моменту ( $J_i^+$ ). Ядра  $^{152}\text{Sm}$ ,  $^{154}\text{Gd}$  та  $^{160}\text{Er}$  мають обертальний SU(3) характер, тоді як ядра  $^{156}\text{Dy}$ ,  $^{170}\text{W}$  та  $^{176}\text{Os}$  виявляють характер X(5). Для дослідження еволюції форми побудовано графіки поверхні потенціальної енергії як функції  $\beta_2$  та  $\beta_3$ . Отримані результати порівнюються з наявними емпіричними даними. Результати загалом добре узгоджуються для енергетичних спектрів, тоді як для інших величин маємо прийнятні результати або принаймні правильну загальну тенденцію.

*Ключові слова:* енергетичний рівень, симетрія критичної точки, бозонна модель, коефіцієнт змішування.