

DESCRIPTION OF THE WOBBLING MOTION THROUGH A BOSON METHOD

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Outline

1 Introduction

Nuclear Radius

The **shape** of the nucleus is most generally described in terms of the *nuclear radius*:

$$R(\theta, \varphi; t) = R_0 \left(1 + \sum_{\lambda=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\mu=-\lambda}^{\lambda} \alpha_{\lambda\mu}(t) Y_{\lambda}^{\mu}(\theta, \varphi) \right) \quad (1)$$

- The $\alpha_{\lambda\mu}$ are collective coordinates \implies *vibrations of the nucleus*.
- Y_{λ}^{μ} are the spherical harmonics.

Nuclear shapes

Most nuclei are spherical or axially symmetric in the ground state.



Figure 1: **Spherical:** $\beta_2 = 0$; **Prolate:** $\beta_2 > 0$; **Oblate:** $\beta_2 < 0$

Quadrupole deformations

- Most relevant vibrational degrees of freedom in nuclei.
- Play a crucial role in the rotational spectra of nuclei.

Quadrupole radius

For pure quadrupole deformations:

$$R(\theta, \varphi) = R_0 \left(1 + \sum_{\mu} \alpha_{2\mu} Y_2^{\mu}(\theta, \varphi) \right), \quad (2)$$

Using A. Bohr's description, the coordinates $\alpha_{2\mu}$ can be reduced to only two *deformation parameters*: β_2 (*eccentricity*) and γ (**triaxiality**).

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Item	Quantity
Widgets	42
Gadgets	13

Table 1: An example table.