Prediction of moment of inertia of rotating nuclei*

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Abstract: In this study, the mathematical expression formulated by Bohr for the moment of inertia of even-even nuclei based on the hydrodynamical model is modified. The modification pertains to the kinetic energy of the surface oscillations, including the second and third terms of the *R*-expansion as well as the first term, which had already been modified by Bohr. Therefore, this work can be considered a continuation and support of Bohr's hydrodynamic model. The procedure yields a Bohr formula to be multiplied by a factor that depends on the deformation parameter. Bohr's (modified) formula is examined by applying it on axially symmetric even-even nuclei with atomic masses ranging between 150 and 190 as well as on some triaxial symmetry nuclei. In this paper, the modification of Bohr's formula is discussed, including information about the stability of this modification and the second and third terms of the *R*-expansion in Bohr's formula. The results of the calculation are compared with the experimental data and Bohr's results recorded earlier. The results obtained are in good agreement with experimental data, with a ratio of approximately 0.7, and are better than those of the unmodified ones.

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1 Introduction

The problem of calculating the moment of inertia (MOI) of even-even nuclei has received considerable attention since the 1950s [1-3]. The hydrodynamical model, first introduced by Bohr [4], considered the nucleus as a droplet of incompressible irrotational fluid. As a consequence, the collective motion of the nucleus was pictured as a quadrupole of classical oscillations similar to those of the liquid droplet discussed in detail by Rayleigh [5]. This description of Bohr led to a simple relationship between the moment of inertia \mathfrak{I} and the deformation parameter β , $\mathfrak{I} = 3B\beta^2$, where *B* is the inertial parameter. This relationship is referred to as Bohr's formula. In the particular case of small oscillations and, hence, $R(\theta, \phi)$, the radial coordinate of the surface at the polar coordinates (θ, ϕ) can be approximated as R_0 , i.e., the radius of the spherical shape of the liquid drop at equilibrium. Rayleigh's calculations indicated that $B = \frac{\rho R_0^5}{2}$. The values of the MOI calculated using Bohr's formula with the values of B derived by Rayleigh are five times smaller than those obtained experimentally. Furthermore, one cannot explain the MOI of deformed nuclei by considering the extreme case of a rigid deformed shape [6].

An alternative approach used to describe the MOI of deformed nuclei was based on the cranking model introduced by Inglis [7]. In this model, the kinetic energy of rotation is obtained by considering the motion of the nucleons in the rotating self-consistent field. In contrast to the hydrodynamical model, the resultant values for the cranking model are found to be 2-3 times larger than those for the experimental ones. Therefore, both models-Bohr's hydrodynamical model and Inglis's cranking model-have been modified by several authors [2, 8-14]. Recently, a valuable thorough quantitative comparison of predictions for both form factor and moment of inertia obtained using four different models (Hartree-Fock, cranking model, rigid rotator, and irrotational fluid flow) for the rare earth nuclei ¹⁵⁴Sm, ¹⁵⁶Gd, ¹⁶⁴Dy, ^{166,168}Er, and ¹⁷⁴Yb was proposed in [9]. The authors of [9] exten-

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ded their work to observe the electromagnetic form factors for some Hf isotopes of odd masses [15].

In this study, we assumed that Rayleigh's approach within the approximation of R to R_0 is the reason for the poor agreement of Bohr's results. Accordingly, we expanded R about R_0 and worked out the second and third terms of this expansion in addition to the first one, which has already been discussed by Rayleigh. The obtained equation, which is referred to as the modified form of Bohr's relationship, is verified on axially symmetric nuclei of atomic mass ranging between 150 and 190 as well as on a number of triaxially symmetric nuclei. The results of both the modified and original formulas of Bohr are compared with the experimental data presented in Table 1 as well as with the numerical values proposed in [9], as presented in Table 2. It is found that, even though the agreement with experimental data as well as with numerical ones is not so good, the enhancements in the results are remarkable-the ratios of the modified Bohr results (current work) to the experimental results are approximately 0.6 to sometimes 0.7 instead of 0.2 in the case of Bohr's original work.

2 Formalism

The surface of the nucleus that is represented in polar coordinates by $R(\theta, \phi)$ can be expanded in spherical harmonics as follows [1]

$$R(\theta,\phi) = R_0 \left(1 + \sum_{\mu} \alpha^*_{\lambda\mu} Y_{\lambda\mu}(\theta,\phi) \right), \tag{1}$$

where R_0 is the radius of the spherical nucleus (i.e., when all $\alpha_{\lambda\mu}$ have vanished). Because of the reality of R, $\alpha^*_{\lambda\mu} = (-1)^{\mu} \alpha_{\lambda,-\mu}$, and because R is rotationally invariant, $\alpha_{\lambda\mu} = \sum_{\mu} D^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu}(\theta_j) a_{\lambda\nu}$, where $D^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu}(\theta_j)$ is the transformation operator, $\alpha_{\lambda\mu}$ and $a_{\lambda\nu}$ are the deformation parameters in space-fixed [16] and body-fixed coordinates, respectively, and θ_j are the Euler angles connecting the space-fixed and rotated frames (where j = 1,2,3) [17,18]. The functions $Y_{\lambda\mu}$ are spherical harmonics of the order λ,μ .

If we consider only the quadratic deformation of order 2 (i.e., $\lambda = 2$) and choose the rotating coordinates to coincide with the principal coordinates, then one can easily verify that $a_{21} = a_{2,-1} = 0$, $a_{22} = a_{2,-2} \neq 0$, and $a_{20} \neq 0$ (we will drop the index $\lambda = 2$ from the deformation parameters henceforth). Therefore, we are now left with only two parameters a_0 and a_2 to describe the shape of the nucleus and three Euler angles to specify the orientation of the principal axes of the nucleus. Sometimes, it is more convenient to use β and γ instead of a_0 and a_2 with the definition $a_0 = \beta \cdot \cos(\gamma)$ and $a_2 = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sin(\gamma)$, referred to as the Bohr notation [19].

3 Hydrodynamical model

The hydrodynamical model assumes the irrotational flow $(\vec{\nabla} \times \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) = 0)$ and the incompressibility $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) = 0$ of the nuclear matter [20]. Hence, the velocity of the volume element $d\tau$ can be derived from the scalar potential $\chi(\mathbf{r})$ as $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) = \vec{\nabla}\chi(\mathbf{r})$. Therefore, $\chi(\mathbf{r})$ is the general solution of the Laplace equation $\nabla^2\chi(\mathbf{r}) = 0$ [6,17]: $\chi(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\mu} \xi_{2\mu}^* r^2 Y_{2\mu}(\theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu} \dot{\alpha}_{2\mu}^* r^2 Y_{2\mu}(\theta, \phi)$, where ξ_{μ}^* is a parameter that is related to $\dot{\alpha}_{\mu}^*$ (the time derivative of α) through the relation $\xi_{\mu}^* = \frac{R_0}{2R} \dot{\alpha}_{\mu}^*$. If the oscillations are assumed to be small, then *R* can be approximated as R_0 and ξ_{μ}^* becomes $\frac{1}{2} \dot{\alpha}_{\mu}^*$. Therefore, the kinetic energy of the entire liquid drop with constant density ρ_0 is

$$T = \frac{1}{8}\rho_0 \sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu'} \int d\tau \left\{ \vec{\nabla} \left[r^2 Y_{2\mu}(\theta, \phi) \right] \cdot \vec{\nabla} \left[r^2 Y_{2\mu'}(\theta, \phi) \right] \right\}$$
$$= \frac{1}{8}\rho_0 \sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu'} \int d\Omega \left\{ \left[4Y_{2\mu} Y_{2\mu'} + \frac{\partial Y_{2\mu}}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial Y_{2\mu'}}{\partial \theta} + \csc^2 \theta \frac{\partial Y_{2\mu}}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial Y_{2\mu'}}{\partial \phi} \right] \int_0^{R(\theta, \phi)} r^4 dr \right\}$$
$$= \frac{1}{8}\rho_0 \sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu'} \int d\Omega \left\{ \left[(4 - \mu\mu') Y_{2\mu} Y_{2\mu'} - L_+ Y_{2\mu} L_- Y_{2\mu'} \right] \int_0^{R(\theta, \phi)} r^4 dr \right\}, \tag{2}$$

where we have used the identities $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = \frac{1}{2}(L_+e^{-i\phi} - L_-e^{+i\phi})$ and $i \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} = \frac{1}{2}(L_+e^{-i\phi} + L_-e^{+i\phi})$ [21] to obtain line 3 from line 2. The integration over *r* in Eq. (2) can be expanded as

$$\int_{0}^{R(\theta,\phi)} r^{4} dr = \frac{R^{5}}{5} = \frac{R_{0}^{5}}{5} \left(1 + \sum_{\mu} \alpha_{\mu}^{*} Y_{2\mu}(\theta,\phi) \right)^{5}$$
$$= \left(\frac{R_{0}^{5}}{5} + R_{0}^{5} \sum_{\sigma} \alpha_{\sigma}^{*} Y_{2\sigma} + 2R_{0}^{5} \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} \alpha_{\sigma'}^{*} \alpha_{\sigma'}^{*} Y_{2\sigma'} Y_{2\sigma'} + \dots \right). \quad (3)$$

3.1 Rayleigh's and Bohr's original work

As the oscillations are assumed to be small, $R(\theta, \phi)$, the upper limit of the integral in Eq. (3), can be approximated as R_0 , and the integral results in $\frac{R_0^5}{5}$, which is the first term in the expansion of Eq. (3). The integration in Eq. (2) along with only the first term of Eq. (3) was carried out by Rayleigh. He obtained

$$T = \frac{1}{2}B\sum_{\mu} |\dot{\alpha}_{\mu}|^2,$$
 (4)

where *B* is the inertial parameter expressed as $B = \frac{\rho_0 R_0^5}{2}$.

Eq. (4) describes the kinetic energy of the surface oscillations of a classical liquid droplet in space-fixed coordinates. According to Bohr, for deformed nuclei, the collective motions should be of vibrational and rotational modes. To distinguish between these two modes, Bohr rewrote Eq. (4) in terms of a_0 , a_2 , and the three Euler angles. For this purpose, we use $(\dot{\alpha}_{\lambda\mu} = \sum_{\nu} D^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} \dot{\alpha}_{\lambda\nu} + \dot{D}^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} a_{\lambda\nu})$. Therefore,

$$T = \frac{1}{2}B \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu\nu'} \left(\underbrace{\underbrace{D_{\mu\nu}^{2*} D_{\mu\nu'}^{2} \dot{a}_{\nu}^{*} \dot{a}_{\nu'}}_{\text{vibration}} + \underbrace{D_{\mu\nu'}^{2*} \dot{D}_{\mu\nu'}^{2} a_{\nu} a_{\nu'}^{*}}_{\text{rotation}} + \underbrace{D_{\mu\nu'}^{2*} D_{\mu\nu'}^{2} a_{\nu}^{*} \dot{a}_{\nu'} + D_{\mu\nu'}^{2*} \dot{D}_{\mu\nu'}^{2} \dot{a}_{\nu}^{*} a_{\nu'}}_{\text{cross terms}} \right).$$
(5)

The three terms in Eq. (5) represent the *vibrational*, *rotational*, and *cross terms*, respectively, where the cross-terms should vanish according to the properties of the transformation matrix [1,16]. Further, the time derivative of rotational transition in the second term of Eq. (5) is expressed as [22]

$$\dot{D}^{\lambda}_{\mu m} \left(\theta_{j} \right) = -i \sum_{m',k} D^{\lambda}_{\mu m'} \left(\theta_{j} \right) \langle \lambda m' | L_{k} | \lambda m \rangle \omega_{k}, \tag{6}$$

where k = 1, 2, 3 represent the body-fixed axes. By substituting Eq. (6) into Eq. (5) and considering only the rotational part, we obtain

$$T_{\rm rot} = \frac{1}{2} B \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu\nu'} \left(\sum_{m,m',k,k'} D^{2*}_{\mu m} D^2_{\mu m'} \langle 2m | L_k | 2\nu \rangle^* \right)$$
$$\langle 2m' | L_{k'} | 2\nu' \rangle a^*_{\nu} a_{\nu'} \omega_k \omega_{k'} \right). \tag{7}$$

Using the unitary property of the transformation mat-

rix [23] $D_{\mu\nu'}^{\lambda*}$ (i.e., $\sum_{\mu} D_{\mu m}^{\lambda*} D_{\mu m'}^{\lambda} = \delta_{m,m'}$), Eq. (7) can be rewritten as

$$T_{\rm rot} = \frac{1}{2} B \sum_{\nu\nu'} \sum_{k} \langle 2\nu | L_k^2 | 2\nu' \rangle a_\nu^* a_{\nu'} \omega^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k} \mathfrak{I}_k \omega^2, \qquad (8)$$

where k = k' because v and v' should be even. Further,

this leads to an MOI along the axis k:

$$\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\mathrm{Bohr}} = B \sum_{\nu\nu'} \langle 2\nu' | L_{k}^{2} | 2\nu \rangle a_{\nu} a_{\nu'}.$$
(9)

We refer to this relationship as the original form of Bohr's formula.

Till now, we have briefly presented the well-known *Bohr* results, with $\frac{R_0^5}{5}$ being the first term of the radial distribution in Eq. (3). The full algebraic details can be accessed from the works of Preston [16], Eisenberg [17], and Pal [21]. Further, $\mathfrak{I}_1^{\text{Bohr}}, \mathfrak{I}_2^{\text{Bohr}}$, and $\mathfrak{I}_3^{\text{Bohr}}$ (that is the MOI along each of the three body-fixed axes) can be simplified using the identities of Ladder operators [24,25] as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{I}_{1}^{\text{Bohr}} = & B \sum_{\nu\nu'} \langle 2\nu' | L_{1}^{2} | 2\nu \rangle a_{\nu} a_{\nu'} \\ = & \frac{1}{4} B \sum_{\nu\nu'} \langle 2\nu' | L_{+}^{2} + L_{-}^{2} + 2L_{+} L_{-} | 2\nu \rangle a_{\nu} a_{\nu'} \\ = & B \Big(2\sqrt{6}a_{0}a_{2} + 2a_{2}^{2} + 3a_{0}^{2} \Big). \end{aligned}$$
(10)

Similarly,

$$\mathfrak{I}_{2}^{\text{Bohr}} = B\left(-2\sqrt{6}a_{0}a_{2} + 2a_{2}^{2} + 3a_{0}^{2}\right). \tag{11}$$

$$\mathfrak{I}_{3}^{\mathrm{Bohr}} = B \sum_{\nu} \langle 2\nu | L_{3}^{2} | 2\nu \rangle a_{\nu} a_{\nu} = 8Ba_{2}^{2}. \tag{12}$$

In general,

$$\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\mathrm{Bohr}} = 4B\beta^{2}\sin^{2}\left(\gamma - \frac{2\pi k}{3}\right).$$
 (13)

For the special case of axially symmetric nuclei $(\gamma = 0)$ and $\mathfrak{I}_3^{Bohr} = 0$

$$\mathfrak{I}_1^{\text{Bohr}} = \mathfrak{I}_2^{\text{Bohr}} = 3B\beta^2, \ \mathfrak{I}_3^{\text{Bohr}} = 0.$$
(14)

However, the values of the MOI calculated using Eq. (13) are nearly five times smaller than those measured by the empirical fitting of the first few low-lying levels. We estimate that this poor agreement can be attributed to the assumption that the oscillations are small, to the extent that *R* has been approximated as R_0 at several places in Rayleigh's work, in which this assumption is verified by considering the second and third terms in Eq. (3). The second term of the integration in Eq. (2) will be discussed in Subsection 3.2. The third term will be discussed in Subsection 3.3.

3.2 First-order modification of MOI

Let us denote the integration in Eq. (2) with the second term in Eq. (3) as T'; thus,

$$T' = \frac{1}{8} \rho_0 R_0^5 \sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}_{\mu}^* \dot{\alpha}_{\mu'}^* \sum_{\sigma} \alpha_{\sigma}^* \int d\Omega \\ \times \left\{ \left[(4 - \mu\mu') Y_{2\mu} Y_{2\mu'} - L_+ Y_{2\mu} L_- Y_{2\mu'} \right] Y_{\sigma} \right\}.$$
(15)

In Eq. (15), using the property $\dot{\alpha}_{\mu'}^* = (-1)^{\mu'} \dot{\alpha}_{-\mu'}$ of the

deformation parameter, and because $\dot{\alpha}_{\mu}$ and $\dot{\alpha}_{\mu'}$ represent two arbitrary components for the velocity at a given point on the surface of the nucleus, the expression $\sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu'} = \sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu} (-1)^{\mu'} \dot{\alpha}_{-\mu'}$ should be zero unless $\mu = -\mu'$

(orthogonal property of α). This result can be written mathematically as

$$\sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu'} = \sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}^*_{\mu} (-1)^{\mu'} \dot{\alpha}_{-\mu'} \delta_{\mu,-\mu'}.$$
 (16)

Substituting this result in Eq. (15), we obtain

$$T' = \frac{1}{8} \rho_0 R_0^5 \sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}_{\mu}^* (-1)^{\mu'} \dot{\alpha}_{-\mu'} \delta_{\mu,-\mu'} \sum_{\sigma} \alpha_{\sigma}^* \int d\Omega \left\{ \left[(4 - \mu\mu') Y_{2\mu} Y_{2\mu'} - L_+ Y_{2\mu} L_- Y_{2\mu'} \right] Y_{\sigma} \right\}.$$
 (17)

Using the identity $L_{\pm} = (\lambda \pm \mu)(\lambda \pm (\mu + 1))Y_{\lambda,\mu \pm 1}$ and replacing each μ' by $-\mu$ in Eq. (17) indicates that the summation over μ' is removed and Eq. (17) becomes

$$T' = \frac{1}{8} \rho_0 R_0^5 \sum_{\mu} |\dot{\alpha}_{\mu}|^2 \sum_{\sigma} \alpha_{\sigma}^*$$

$$\int d\Omega \left\{ \left[(4 + \mu^2) Y_{2\mu} \underbrace{(-1)^{\mu} Y_{2,-\mu}}_{Y_{2\mu}^*} - (2 - \mu) (3 + \mu) \right] Y_{2,\mu+1} \underbrace{(-1)^{\mu} Y_{2,-(\mu+1)}}_{Y_{2,\mu+1}^*} \right] Y_{\sigma} \right\}.$$
(18)

As the subscript index $\mu + 1$ in the second part in Eq. (18) is a dummy variable, it can be replaced by μ without any change in the value of the integration. This leads to

$$T' = \frac{1}{8} \rho_0 R_0^5 \sum_{\mu} |\dot{\alpha}_{\mu}|^2 \sum_{\sigma} \alpha_{\sigma}^* (10 + \mu) \int d\Omega Y_{2\sigma} Y_{2\mu} Y_{2\mu}^*$$
$$= CB \sum_{\mu} |\dot{\alpha}_{\mu}|^2 \alpha_0^* \langle 220\mu | 2\mu \rangle, \tag{19}$$

where $C = \frac{5}{2} \sqrt{\frac{5}{4\pi}} \langle 2200|20 \rangle$ and $B = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 R_0^5$. To obtain the second line of Eq. (19) from the first, we use the identity

$$\int d\Omega Y_{\lambda_1\mu_1} Y_{\lambda_2\mu_2} Y^*_{\lambda_3\mu_3} = \sqrt{\frac{(2\lambda_1+1)(2\lambda_2+1)}{4\pi(2\lambda_3+1)}} \\ \langle \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \mu_1 \mu_2 | \lambda_3 \mu_3 \rangle \langle \lambda_1 \lambda_2 00 | \lambda_3 0 \rangle.$$
(20)

Therefore, we get

$$T' = CB \sum_{\mu} \left| \dot{\alpha}_{\mu} \right|^2 \dot{\alpha}_0^* \langle 220\mu | 2\mu \rangle, \tag{21}$$

where $C = \frac{5}{2} \sqrt{\frac{5}{4\pi}} \langle 2200|20 \rangle$ and $B = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 R_0^5$. In body-fixed coordinates, the rotational kinetic energy part of Eq. (19) can be written as

$$T'_{\text{Rot}} = CB \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu\nu'\sigma} \dot{D}^{2*}_{\mu\nu'} \dot{D}^{2}_{0\sigma} a_{\nu} a_{\nu'} a_{\sigma} \langle 220\mu | 2\mu \rangle$$
$$= CB \sum_{\nu\nu'\sigma} \sum_{km,k'm'} \sum_{\mu} D^{2*}_{\mu m} D^{2}_{\mu m'} D^{2}_{0\sigma} \langle 220\mu | 2\mu \rangle \cdot$$
$$\underbrace{= \langle 22m'\sigma | 2m \rangle}_{= \langle 22m'\sigma | 2m \rangle} \langle 2m | L_k | 2\nu \rangle^* \langle 2m' | L_{k'} | 2\nu' \rangle a_{\nu} a_{\sigma} \omega_k \omega_{k'}, \qquad (22)$$

where k' = k, as ν and ν' can only be even. Using this condition together with the identity $\sum_{\mu} D_{\mu_1\nu_1}^{\lambda_1} D_{\mu_2\nu_2}^{\lambda_2} D_{\mu_3\nu_3}^{\lambda_3*}$ $\langle \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \mu_1 \mu_2 | \lambda_3 \mu_3 \rangle = \langle \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \nu_1 \nu_2 | \lambda_3 \nu_3 \rangle$ [24,26], we obtain

$$T_{\text{Rot}}' = 2CB \sum_{\nu\nu'} \sum_{km} \langle 22m0|2m\rangle \langle 2\nu|L_k|2m\rangle \\ \times \langle 2m'|L_k|2\nu'\rangle a_{\nu}a_{\nu'}a_0\omega_k^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \mathfrak{I}'_k \omega_k^2, \qquad (23)$$

where \mathfrak{I}'_k in the last line of Eq. (23) is referred to as the first-order modification in the value of the moment of inertia along the body-fixed axes k, and it can be defined as

$$\mathfrak{I}'_{k} = 2CB \sum_{\nu\nu'} \sum_{m} \langle 22m0|2m\rangle \langle 2\nu'|L_{k}^{2}|2\nu\rangle a_{\nu}a_{\nu'}a_{0}.$$
(24)

To extract \mathfrak{I}'_1 , \mathfrak{I}'_2 , and \mathfrak{I}'_3 from Eq. (24), it should be noted first that the allowed choices of v, v', m are $v = 0, 2, -2, v' = v, v \pm 2$, and $m = v, v \pm 1$, respectively. The first correction in MOI corresponding to k = 1 can be obtained as

$$\mathfrak{I}_{1}' = 2CB \sum_{\nu\nu'} \sum_{m} \langle 22m0|2m\rangle \langle 2\nu'|L_{1}^{2}|2\nu\rangle a_{\nu}a_{\nu'}a_{0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \times 2CB \sum_{\nu\nu'} \sum_{m} \langle 22m0|2m\rangle$$

$$\cdot \langle 2\nu'| (L_{+}^{2} + L_{-}^{2} + 2L_{+}L_{-})|2\nu\rangle a_{\nu}a_{\nu'}a_{0}$$

$$= 2CB \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} \{ 2a_{2}^{2}a_{0} - 3a_{0}^{3} - \sqrt{6}a_{2}a_{0}^{2} \}. \tag{25}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{S}_{2}' &= 2CB \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} \left\{ 2a_{0}a_{2}^{2} - 3a_{0}^{3} - \sqrt{6}a_{2}a_{0}^{2} \right\}, \end{aligned} \tag{26} \\ \mathfrak{S}_{3}' &= 2CB \sum_{\nu} \langle 22\nu 0 | 2\nu \rangle \langle 2\nu | L_{3}^{2} | 2\nu \rangle a_{0}a_{\nu}^{2} \\ &= 2CB \sum_{\nu} \langle 22\nu 0 | 2\nu \rangle \langle 2\nu | 2\nu \rangle \nu^{2} \alpha_{\nu}^{2} \alpha_{0} \\ &= 2CB \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} (2)^{2}a_{0}a_{2}^{2} - \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} (0)^{2}a_{0}^{2}a_{0} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} (2)^{2}a_{-2}^{2}a_{0} \right\} \\ &= 16 \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} CBa_{0}a_{2}^{2}. \end{aligned}$$

In the case of axial symmetry, we have $\gamma = 0$, $a_2 = 0$, and $a_0 = \beta$, and the values of $\mathfrak{I}'_1, \mathfrak{I}'_2$, and \mathfrak{I}'_3 are as follows:

$$\mathfrak{I}'_{1} = \mathfrak{I}'_{2} = -6 \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} C B \beta^{3}, \ \mathfrak{I}'_{3} = 0.$$
 (28)

3.3 Second-order modification of MOI

Similarly, Eq. (2) with the third term $2R_0^5 \Sigma_{\sigma\sigma'} \alpha_{\sigma}^* \times \alpha_{\sigma'}^* Y_{2\sigma} Y_{2\sigma'}$ of radial integration, which is denoted by T'', can be written as

$$T'' = \frac{1}{4} \rho_0 R_0^5 \sum_{\mu\mu'} \dot{\alpha}_{\mu'}^* \dot{\alpha}_{\sigma'}^* \alpha_{\sigma'}^* \alpha_{\sigma'}^*$$

$$\times \int d\Omega \left\{ \left[(4 - \mu\mu') Y_{2\mu} Y_{2\mu'} - L_+ Y_{2\mu} L_- Y_{2\mu'} \right] Y_{2\sigma} Y_{2\sigma'} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} B \sum_{\mu} |\dot{\alpha}_{\mu}|^2 \sum_{\sigma} |\alpha_{\sigma}|^2$$

$$\times \int (10 - \mu) d\Omega \left\{ (-1)^{\sigma} Y_{2\sigma} Y_{2-\sigma} (-1)^{\mu} Y_{2\mu} Y_{2-\mu} \right\},$$
(29)

where $B = \frac{1}{2}\rho_0 R_0^5$ is the inertial parameter, which was mentioned in Section 3. Each pair $Y_{2\sigma}Y_{2-\sigma}$ and $Y_{2\mu}Y_{2-\mu}$ in the second line of Eq. (27) can be coupled using the identity [25-27]

$$Y_{j_1m_1}Y_{j_2m_2} = \sqrt{\frac{2j_1+1}{4\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{2j_2+1}{4\pi}} \\ \times \sum_j \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2j+1}} Y_{jm} \langle j_1 j_2 m_1 m_2 | jm \rangle \langle j_1 j_2 00 | j0 \rangle.$$

Therefore, the integration in Eq. (29) becomes

$$\int d\Omega \left\{ (-1)^{\sigma} Y_{2\sigma} Y_{2,-\sigma} (-1)^{\mu} Y_{2\mu} Y_{2,-\mu} \right\} = \frac{25}{4\pi} (-1)^{\sigma+\mu}$$
$$\sum_{j} \frac{1}{2j+1} \langle 22\mu - \mu | j0 \rangle \langle 2200 | j0 \rangle \langle 22\sigma - \sigma | j0 \rangle.$$
(30)

If we use the identity

$$\sum_{jm} \langle j_1 j_2 m_1 m_2 \rangle \langle j_1 j_2 m'_1 m'_2 \rangle = \delta_{m_1 m'_1} \delta_{m_2 m'_2},$$

one can easily verify that the summation over j in Eq. (30) is unity. Substituting this result into Eq. (29), we obtain

$$T'' = \frac{1}{2} \frac{25}{4\pi} B \sum_{\mu} \left| \dot{\alpha}_{\mu} \right|^2 \sum_{\sigma} |\alpha_{\sigma}|^2 (10 - \mu).$$

As μ runs from -2 to 2, the summation over μ should be zero. Finally, T'' can be simplified as

$$T'' = \frac{1}{2} B \sum_{\mu} \left| \dot{\alpha}_{\mu} \right|^2 \sum_{\sigma} |\alpha_{\sigma}|^2 \frac{250}{4\pi}.$$
 (31)

In body-fixed coordinates, the rotational part of the quantity $\sum_{\mu} |\dot{\alpha}_{\mu}|^2$ has been treated in detail in Subsection

2.1, and the result is $\sum_{\nu\nu'k} \langle 2\nu' | L_k | 2\nu \rangle a_{\nu} a_{\nu'} \omega_k^2$, from which it can be easily verified that $\sum_{\sigma} |\alpha_{\sigma}|^2 = \beta^2$. Therefore,

$$\Gamma_{\rm rot}^{\prime\prime} = \frac{250}{4\pi} \beta^2 \frac{1}{2} B \sum_{\nu\nu'k} \langle 2\nu' | L_k | 2\nu \rangle \alpha_\nu \alpha_{\nu'} \omega_k^2$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \mathfrak{I}_k^{\prime\prime} \omega_k^2, \qquad (32)$$

where the quantities $\mathfrak{I}_{k''}$ are referred to as the second modification to MOI; they can be obtained as

$$\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\prime\prime\prime} = \frac{125}{2\pi} \beta^{2} \underbrace{B \sum_{\nu\nu'k} \langle 2\nu' | L_{k} | 2\nu \rangle \alpha_{\nu} \alpha_{\nu'}}_{\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Bohr}}}, \qquad (33)$$

or

$$\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\prime\prime} = \frac{125}{2\pi} \beta^{2} \mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\mathrm{Bohr}}.$$
(34)

The values of $\mathfrak{I}_k^{\text{Bohr}}$ are already known and the second-order modification of MOI can be obtained by multiplying $\mathfrak{I}_k^{\text{Bohr}}$ by a factor of $\frac{125}{2\pi}\beta^2$. For the special case of axial symmetry,

$$\mathfrak{I}_{1}^{\prime\prime} = \mathfrak{I}_{2}^{\prime\prime} = \frac{750}{4\pi}\beta^{4}, \ \mathfrak{I}_{3}^{\prime\prime} = 0.$$
 (35)

4 Results and discussion

The total MOI including the first and second corrections can be obtained for the special case of axially deformed nuclei as follows:

$$\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Total}} = \mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Bohr}} + \mathfrak{I}_{k}' + \mathfrak{I}_{k}''$$

$$= 3B\beta^{2} - 6CB\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}\beta^{3} + \frac{750}{4\pi}B\beta^{4}$$

$$= \mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Bohr}}\left(1 - 2C\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}\cdot\beta + \frac{250}{4\pi}\beta^{2}\right), \qquad (36)$$

which is simply $\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Bohr}}$ multiplied by the modification factor $\left(1-2C\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}\cdot\beta+\frac{250}{4\pi}\beta^{2}\right)$.

A comparison of the calculated results and experimental data of MOI for the even-even axially deformed nuclei is presented in Table 1. The first column of the table denotes the nucleus, whereas the second column represents the β deformation coefficients, which are extracted from the associated electric quadrupole transitions [22]. The third column presents the experimental values of *MOI*, which are deduced from the experimental energy spacing of the ground-state rotational bands [22]. The fourth, fifth, and sixth columns represent the calculated values using Eqs. (14), (21), and (30) to determine Bohr's ($\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Bohr}}$) first- (\mathfrak{I}') and second- (\mathfrak{I}'') order modifications to the MOI, respectively. The seventh column presents the total MOI value obtained from Eq. (36), as $\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Total}} = \mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Bohr}} + \mathfrak{I}_{k}' + \mathfrak{I}_{k}''$. All values of the MOI, \mathfrak{I}_{k} , in Table 1 are presented in units of $\mathfrak{I}_{\text{rig}} = B_{\text{rig}}(1+0.31\beta)$, where $B_{\text{rig}} = 0.0138A^{5/3}\hbar^2$ /MeV and $\mathfrak{I}_{\text{rig}}$ is the MOI for a rigid body having the same volume, shape, and density of the nucleus. One can see from Table 1 that there is a large enhancement in the calculated values of $\mathfrak{I}_{k}^{\text{Total}}$. It is equal to 0.6 in the case of the experimental ones instead of 0.2 in the case of the unmodified ones. It is remarkable to note that the second modification (\mathfrak{I}'') to the MOI contributes $\frac{250}{4\pi}\beta^2$ times more than the Bohr value (\mathfrak{I}^{Bohr}). On the other hand, the first modification (\mathfrak{I}') is quite negligible. These phenomena are depicted clearly in Fig. 1a) and b); Fig 1a) depicts only the contribution of the first modification.

In order to illustrate the effects of the first and second corrections separately on Bohr's results, we draw a curve only for the first correction plus the values of Bohr and another curve for Bohr's values plus only the second correction (the orange curves in Fig. 1a) and b)); as functions of the deformation parameter β .

Table 1. Comparison of calculated results $\mathfrak{I}^{\text{Total}}$ with experimental data $\mathfrak{I}^{\text{Exp.}}$ [22] and $\mathfrak{I}^{\text{Bohr}}_{\text{Hydro.model}}$ as well as values of first \mathfrak{I}' and second \mathfrak{I}'' modifications of MOI for even-even axially deformed nuclei.

Nuclei	β	J ^{exp} .	$\mathfrak{I}^{\mathrm{Bohr}}$	I'	J″	$\mathfrak{I}^{\mathrm{Total}}$
¹⁵² Sm	0.290	0.380	0.069	0.018	0.116	0.203
¹⁵⁴ Sm	0.336	0.551	0.092	0.028	0.206	0.325
¹⁵⁴ Gd	0.280	0.373	0.065	0.016	0.101	0.182
¹⁵⁶ Gd	0.320	0.498	0.083	0.024	0.170	0.277
¹⁵⁸ Gd	0.346	0.547	0.097	0.030	0.231	0.358
¹⁶⁰ Gd	0.354	0.561	0.101	0.032	0.252	0.385
¹⁶⁰ Dy	0.301	0.490	0.074	0.020	0.134	0.228
¹⁶² Dy	0.320	0.512	0.083	0.024	0.170	0.277
¹⁶⁴ Dy	0.334	0.558	0.090	0.027	0.201	0.319
¹⁶⁴ Er	0.306	0.456	0.077	0.021	0.143	0.240
¹⁶⁶ Er	0.323	0.496	0.085	0.025	0.176	0.286
¹⁶⁸ Er	0.320	0.496	0.083	0.024	0.170	0.277
¹⁷⁰ Er	0.310	0.484	0.078	0.022	0.150	0.250
¹⁷⁰ Yb	0.304	0.455	0.076	0.021	0.139	0.235
¹⁷² Yb	0.311	0.477	0.079	0.022	0.152	0.253
¹⁷⁴ Yb	0.308	0.475	0.078	0.022	0.146	0.245
¹⁷⁶ Yb	0.301	0.445	0.074	0.020	0.134	0.228
¹⁷⁶ Hf	0.300	0.410	0.074	0.020	0.132	0.226
¹⁷⁸ Hf	0.310	0.380	0.078	0.022	0.150	0.250
¹⁸⁰ Hf	0.270	0.380	0.060	0.015	0.087	0.162
¹⁸² W	0.280	0.340	0.065	0.016	0.101	0.182
^{184}W	0.250	0.310	0.052	0.012	0.065	0.128
¹⁸⁶ W	0.259	0.272	0.056	0.013	0.074	0.143
¹⁸⁶ Os	0.201	0.247	0.034	0.006	0.027	0.068
¹⁸⁸ Os	0.191	0.214	0.031	0.005	0.022	0.059
¹⁹⁰ Os	0.180	0.180	0.027	0.004	0.018	0.050
¹⁹² Os	0.160	0.160	0.022	0.003	0.011	0.036
¹⁹⁴ Pt	0.152	0.097	0.020	0.003	0.009	0.032
¹⁹⁶ Pt	0.122	0.089	0.013	0.001	0.004	0.018
198Pt	0.130	0.076	0.015	0.002	0.005	0.021

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Nuclei	β	J ^{exp} .	$\mathfrak{I}^{\mathrm{Bohr}}$	J'	J″	$\mathfrak{I}^{\mathrm{Total}}$	
²²² Ra	0.184	0.223	0.029	0.005	0.019	0.053	
²²⁴ Ra	0.171	0.291	0.025	0.004	0.014	0.043	
²²⁶ Ra	0.197	0.351	0.033	0.006	0.025	0.064	
²²⁸ Ra	0.212	0.400	0.038	0.007	0.034	0.079	
²²⁶ Th	0.220	0.330	0.041	0.008	0.039	0.088	
²²⁸ Th	0.225	0.403	0.042	0.009	0.043	0.094	
²³⁰ Th	0.233	0.433	0.045	0.010	0.049	0.104	
²³² Th	0.243	0.450	0.049	0.011	0.058	0.118	
²³⁴ Th	0.233	0.467	0.045	0.010	0.049	0.104	
²³⁰ U	0.245	0.443	0.050	0.011	0.060	0.121	
²³² U	0.257	0.470	0.055	0.013	0.072	0.139	
²³⁴ U	0.251	0.516	0.052	0.012	0.066	0.130	
²³⁶ U	0.263	0.485	0.057	0.014	0.079	0.150	
²³⁸ U	0.268	0.480	0.059	0.014	0.085	0.159	
²³⁸ Pu	0.271	0.493	0.061	0.015	0.089	0.164	
²⁴⁰ Pu	0.278	0.488	0.068	0.018	0.111	0.196	

^aAll values of the moment of inertia are in terms of rigid body moment of inertia \mathfrak{I}_{rig} where $\mathfrak{I}_{rig} = (1 + 0.31\beta)B_{rig}$ and $B_{rig} = 0.0138A^{5/3}\frac{\hbar^2}{MeV}$.



Fig. 1. (color online) Variation of $\mathfrak{I}/\mathfrak{I}_{rig}$ with respect to deformation parameter β for axially deformed nuclei: a) Bohr + first and b) Bohr + second modifications.

The graph includes curves for the original formula of Bohr and the experimental results for comparison. It is clear from this figure that for all $\beta \le 0.15$, the effects of both of them are small enough to be neglected. As $\beta > 0.15$ the contribution of the second correction increases more rapidly than that of the first one and it becomes greater than the zeroth order when $\beta = 0.3$. This means that for nuclei with large deformation parameters, the assumption of small oscillations suggested by Rayleigh is not adequate. That means the first term is not enough to represent the situation of the nucleus.

A comparison of the results obtained using the modified form of Bohr's relationship (the current work $\mathfrak{I}^{Curr.}e$), Eq. (34), and the results of Bohr's original relationship, Eq. (14), with the numerical calculations ($\mathfrak{I}^{Num.}$) presented by Berdichevsky et al. [9] as well as experimental data for a few nuclei are listed in Table 2. The numerical values were calculated based on the cranking model with the Sk-3 field.

Two features can be noted from Table 2:

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Table 2. Comparison of values of 3 for some rare-earth even-even axially deformed nuclei (all values of 3 in units h^2/MeV).					
Nuclei	β [22]	$\mathfrak{I}^{\mathrm{Exp.}}$	$\mathfrak{I}^{\mathrm{Num.}}$	$\mathfrak{I}^{\mathrm{Bohr}}$	J ^{Curr.}
¹⁵⁴ Sm	0.336	36.59	24.54	6.20	21.91
¹⁵⁶ Gd	0.320	33.73	31.11	5.69	19.20
¹⁵⁸ Gd	0.346	33.73	29.88	7.84	25.26
¹⁶⁴ Dy	0.334	40.88	30.27	6.73	23.87
¹⁶⁶ Er	0.323	37.22	28.69	8.47	21.77
¹⁶⁸ Er	0.320	28.12	28.12	6.44	21.49
¹⁷⁴ Yb	0.308	39.22	31.13	7.13	20.09

i) In general, the results of the modified form of Bohr's relationship are much closer to the numerical results than of the original ones for all nuclei in question.

ii) The results of this work for the nuclei ¹⁵⁴Sm and ¹⁵⁸Gd are close to the numerical ones (the ratio of the difference is nearly 8% for ¹⁵⁴Sm and 16% for ¹⁵⁸Gd, whereas it becomes large for the remaining nuclei). However, there are significant enhancements owing to the modification factor.

The ratio $\mathfrak{I}/\mathfrak{I}_{rig}$ with respect to β deformation for axially even-even deformed nuclei are illustrated in Fig. 2.

The filled squares denote the experimental data, whereas the red line represents the \mathfrak{I}^{Bohr} values, which lie quite far from the experimental data [22]. Our results for Bohr + first modification and Bohr + second modification are represented with the blue line, which shifts towards the experimental data drastically. The shifting increases rapidly with an increase in β , mainly owing to the second modification to the MOI.



Fig. 2. (color online) Variation of \Im/\Im_{rig} with respect to deformation parameter β for axially deformed nuclei. Bohr + first + second modifications.

For an average value of $\beta = 0.27$ in the listed axially deformed nuclei, the Bohr estimates are only 18% of the experimental value, whereas the Bohr estimates with the first modification improve by 4%-5%, reaching 22%-23% of the experimental value. As soon as we include the second modification to this, the MOI values improve to beyond 53% of the experimental value. In mathematics, this occurs because of the symmetry properties of spherical harmonics. One can notice even number of $Y_{2\mu}$ operators involved in the Bohr estimates and the second modification, whereas an odd number of $Y_{2\mu}$ operators are involved in the first modification. Physically, it supports the large amplitude of vibrations at the nuclear surface for deformed rotating even-even nuclei. Further improvements have been predicted when a similar exercise is carried out for the next higher order terms, particularly with the next-to-next term having an even number of Y_2 operators involved, which is going to be very complicated in nature and is in progress. Furthermore, we can obtain the total MOI in three coordinates for triaxial nuclei, as follows:

$$\mathfrak{I}_{1}^{\text{Total}} = \mathfrak{I}_{1}^{\text{Bohr}} + \mathfrak{I}_{1}' + \mathfrak{I}_{1}''$$
$$= 4B\beta^{2}\sin^{2}\left(\gamma - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)\left\{1 + 2C\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}\beta\cos\gamma + \frac{250}{4\pi}\beta^{2}\right\}$$
$$- 2CB\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}\beta^{3}\cos\gamma\left(3\sqrt{3}\beta\sin\gamma + 6\cos\gamma\right), \qquad (37)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{I}_{2}^{\text{Total}} &= \mathfrak{I}_{2}^{\text{Bohr}} + \mathfrak{I}_{2}' + \mathfrak{I}_{2}'' \\ &= 4B\beta^{2}\sin^{2}\left(\gamma - \frac{4\pi}{3}\right) \left\{ 1 + 2C\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}\beta\cos\gamma + \frac{250}{4\pi}\beta^{2} \right\} \\ &- 2CB\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}\beta^{3}\cos\gamma\left(-3\sqrt{3}\beta\sin\gamma + 6\cos\gamma\right), \end{aligned}$$
(38)

$$\mathfrak{I}_{3}^{\text{Total}} = \mathfrak{I}_{3}^{\text{Bohr}} + \mathfrak{I}_{3}' + \mathfrak{I}_{3}''$$
$$= 4B\beta^{2}\sin^{2}(\gamma)\left\{1 + 2C\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}\beta\cos\gamma + \frac{250}{4\pi}\beta^{2}\right\}, \qquad (39)$$

where we have used Eqs. (10), (11), and (12) to calculate

Α	eta	γ	$\mathfrak{I}_1^{\operatorname{Exp.}}$	$\mathfrak{I}^{\operatorname{Bohr}}_1$	$\mathfrak{I}_1^{\mathrm{Total}}$
¹¹⁰ Ru	0.283	29.0	22.0	3.33	9.164
¹⁵⁰ Nd	0.283	10.4	27.5	4.96	13.982
¹⁵⁶ Gd	0.330	7.9	55.0	6.97	23.952
¹⁶⁶ Er	0.346	9.2	42.2	8.65	31.660
¹⁶⁸ Er	0.345	8.4	42.6	8.67	31.666
¹⁷² Yb	0.331	4.9	38.3	7.88	27.281
¹⁸² W	0.241	10.0	35.9	4.94	11.602
^{184}W	0.234	11.3	30.6	4.82	10.955
¹⁸⁶ Os	0.207	20.4	32.4	4.16	8.286
¹⁸⁸ Os	0.193	19.9	26.5	3.67	6.872
¹⁹⁰ Os	0.184	22.1	24.1	3.44	6.163
Α	β	γ	$\mathfrak{I}_2^{\mathrm{Exp.}}$	$\mathfrak{I}_2^{\mathrm{Bohr}}$	$\mathfrak{I}_2^{\mathrm{Total}}$
¹¹⁰ Ru	0.283	29.0	8.1	0.88	2.540
¹⁵⁰ Nd	0.283	10.4	19.8	3.24	9.307
¹⁵⁶ Gd	0.330	7.9	21.2	5.05	17.609
¹⁶⁶ Er	0.346	9.2	33.3	5.94	22.096
¹⁶⁸ Er	0.345	8.4	33.6	6.16	22.818
¹⁷² Yb	0.331	4.9	37.9	6.46	22.567
^{182}W	0.241	10.0	25.7	3.28	7.852
^{184}W	0.234	11.3	24.1	3.03	7.034
¹⁸⁶ Os	0.207	20.4	16.3	1.74	3.587
¹⁸⁸ Os	0.193	19.9	15.1	1.57	3.044
¹⁹⁰ Os	0.184	22.1	11.7	1.32	2.459
Α	β	γ	$\mathfrak{I}_3^{\mathrm{Exp.}}$	$\mathfrak{I}_3^{\mathrm{Bohr}}$	$\mathfrak{I}_3^{\mathrm{Total}}$
¹¹⁰ Ru	0.283	29.0	3.88	0.783	1.858
¹⁵⁰ Nd	0.283	10.4	1.96	0.18	0.427
¹⁵⁶ Gd	0.330	7.9	1.78	0.15	0.440
¹⁶⁶ Er	0.346	9.2	2.64	0.25	0.778
¹⁶⁸ Er	0.345	8.4	2.52	0.21	0.656
¹⁷² Yb	0.331	4.9	1.39	0.07	0.202
^{182}W	0.241	10.0	1.64	0.17	0.328
^{184}W	0.234	11.3	2.31	0.21	0.388
¹⁸⁶ Os	0.207	20.4	2.78	0.52	0.873
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the Bohr values of the MOI, represented as $\mathfrak{I}_1^{\text{Bohr}}, \mathfrak{I}_2^{\text{Bohr}}, \mathfrak{I}_3^{\text{Bohr}}$, respectively. The first modifications to the MOI are obtained using Eqs. (25), (26), and (27), respectively, and Eq. (34) is used for the second-order modification to the MOI.

The total MOI, $\mathfrak{I}_k^{\text{Total}}$, for the triaxial nuclei has been

calculated using Eqs. (37), (38), and (39). A comparison of the calculated results with the experimental data and Bohr estimation (\mathfrak{I}^{Bohr}) is presented in Table 3. All the experimental values for the moments of inertia $\mathfrak{I}_1,\mathfrak{I}_2,\mathfrak{I}_3$ along the 1–, 2–, and 3– body axes, respectively, as well as the deformation parameters (β, γ) have been acquired

from Allmond and Wood [28]. Our calculated results are clearly in better agreement with the experimental data as compared to the original Bohr estimation.

5 Conclusion

A detailed theoretical extension to the hydrodynamical model has been presented in view of the contributions arising from the higher order terms of the radial distribution. Such calculated MOI values are found to be in better agreement than the original model for both axially deformed and triaxial nuclei. This highlights the crucial approximation involved in the irrotational picture of the liquid droplet in terms of small amplitude vibrations and further supports the large amplitude vibrations at the nuclear surface. Such investigations strengthen the irrotational and collective picture of even-even deformed nuclei. Further improvements to this extension are in progress.

It should be mentioned that the real value of $\xi_{2\mu}^*$, which is presented in Section 3, is $\xi_{2\mu}^* = \frac{R_0}{2R} \dot{\alpha}_{2\mu}^*$. This

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quantity was approximated by Rayleigh to $\frac{1}{2}\dot{\alpha}_{2\mu}^*$ by setting $R = R_0$. Another modification can be carried out here by expanding up to *R* and then treating the higher terms.

In the future, we plan to predict the values of the parameters of inertia and rigidity within the hydrodynamic model using a simple harmonic potential.

The results obtained are compared with the experimental data as well as with Bohr's results and indicate good agreement with the experimental data, with ratios up to approximately 0.6 to sometimes 0.7.

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