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Temperature-dependent Seeger's liquid drop energy for nuclei up to $Z=118$

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Seeger's semi-empirical mass formula is revisited for two of its constants (bulk constant $\{\alpha\}(0)$ and neutron-proton asymmetry constant $a_{\{a\}}$) readjusted to obtain the ground-state (g.s.) binding energies of nuclei within a precision of <1.5 MeV and for nuclei up to $Z=118$. The aim is to include the temperature T -dependence on experimental binding energies, and not to obtain the new parameter set of Seeger's liquid drop energy VLDM. Our procedure is to define the g.s. binding energy $B = V_{\{LDM\}} + \{\delta\}U$, as per Strutinsky renormalization procedure, and using the empirical shell corrections $\{\delta\}U$ of Myers and Swiatecki, fit the constants of $V_{\{LDM\}}$ to obtain the experimental binding energy B_{expt} or theoretically calculated B_{theo} if data were not available. The T -dependence of the constants of $V_{\{LDM\}}$, is introduced as per the work of Davidson et al., where the pairing energy $\{\delta\}(T)$ is modified as per new calculations on compound nucleus decays. The newly fitted constants of $V_{\{LDM\}}$ at $T=0$ are made available here for use of other workers interested in nuclear dynamics of hot and rotating nuclei.

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