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**The photoabsorption spectra of a Xe atom encapsulated inside C<sub>54</sub>, C<sub>56</sub>, and C<sub>58</sub> fullerenes<sup>1</sup>** ZHIFAN CHEN, ALFRED Z. MSEZANE, Clark Atlanta University — The photoabsorption spectra of a Xe atom encapsulated inside C<sub>54</sub>, C<sub>56</sub>, and C<sub>58</sub> have been investigated using the time-dependent-density-functional-theory (TDDFT). The most stable isomers for these fullerenes are respectively, C<sub>54</sub> C<sub>2v</sub>:540, C<sub>56</sub> C<sub>s</sub>:864, and C<sub>58</sub> C<sub>3v</sub>:1205. The structures of these fullerenes have been created using the Fullerene4.4 [1] package. The structures are then optimized using DMol<sub>3</sub> software. The absolute photoabsorption cross sections of C<sub>54</sub>, C<sub>56</sub>, C<sub>58</sub> and Xe@C<sub>54</sub>, Xe@C<sub>56</sub>, Xe@C<sub>58</sub> are evaluated using TDDFT. The results demonstrate that, except for the Xe atom inside C<sub>58</sub>, which has similar confinement resonances as those of Xe@C<sub>60</sub>, the Xe atoms inside C<sub>54</sub> and C<sub>56</sub> have totally different spectra. Because of this the measured spectra, with the loss of one or more pairs of C atoms, may be affected by the spectra of the Xe inside C<sub>54</sub> (or C<sub>56</sub>, C<sub>58</sub>). More discussions about the spectra of fullerenes and endohedral fullerenes will be presented at the conference.

[1] P. Schwerdtfeger et al J. Comput. Chem. 35 1508 (2013).

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