Supplementary material: Study on lattice dynamics and thermal conductivity of fluorite AF_2 (A = Ca, Sr, Ba) based on first principles

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A. Supplementary Figures.



Fig. S1. (Color online). The free energy as the function of time for AF_2 (A = Ca, Sr, Ba) at 300 K, 600 K and 900 K.

S1 are the results of AIMD simulations for the CaF_2 , SrF_2 and BaF_2 . It is no significant changes in free energy for these three materials, which exhibit these three materials are stable.



Fig. S2. (Color online). The scattering phase space of (a) CaF_2 , (b) SrF_2 and (c) BaF_2 at 300 K was calculated by SCP approximation. In addition, we calculated the 3ph SRs and 4ph SRs of CaF_2 , SrF_2 and BaF_2 at 300 K using SCP approximation and HA approximation, respectively.



Fig. S3. (Color online). Decomposed 3ph scattering phase spaces into the splitting $(\lambda \to \lambda' + \lambda'')$ and combination $(\lambda + \lambda' \to \lambda'')$ processes at 300 K for (a) CaF₂, (c) SrF₂ and (e) BaF₂. Decomposed 4ph scattering phase spaces into the splitting $(\lambda \to \lambda' + \lambda'' + \lambda''')$, redistribution $(\lambda + \lambda' \to \lambda'' + \lambda''')$ and recombination $(\lambda + \lambda' + \lambda'' \to \lambda''')$ processes at 300 K for (b) CaF₂, (d) SrF₂ and (f) BaF₂. All of the above results were obtained using SCP method.



Fig. S4. (Color online). Lattice thermal conductivity spectrums κ_L (ω) (the filled section below the curves) and relevant cumulative κ_L at 300 K for AF₂ (A = Ca, Sr, Ba).



Fig. S5. (Color online). The calculated 3ph SRs and 4ph SRs for AF_2 (A = Ca, Sr, Ba) computed in HA approximations and SCP approximations.



Fig. S6. (Color online). (a)-(c) The band structure of AF_2 (A = Ca, Sr, Ba) and the corresponding density of electronic states (EDOS) are calculated by using PBE functional. (d)-(f) The band structure calculated by HSE06 functional.



Fig. S7. (Color online). (a)-(i) are the vibration modes of the 1st phonon branch, the 4th phonon branch and the 7th phonon branch of each atom for AF_2 (A = Ca, Sr, Ba) at the Γ point and the Raman modes of the phonon branch.



Fig. S8. (Color online). The phonon spectrum of AF_2 (A = Ca, Sr, Ba) before and after anharmonic correction.

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