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Measurement of γ -ray emission probability in the decay of $^{137}\text{Ce}^g$ and $^{85}\text{Y}^g$

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Background

- Dr. Nesaraja presented the case of the γ -ray emission probability in $^{137}\text{Ce}^g$ decay at the NSDD 2019 meeting, IAEA, Vienna.

Ref.	$I_{\gamma p}/I_{\gamma d}$	%P $_{\gamma}(447)$	Ref.	%P $_{\gamma}(447)$
1975He20 (PRC)	4.91 (15)	2.24 (10)	1983Pe16 (NDS)	2.24 (10)
2007Br23 (NDS)		1.68 (6)	1990Pe02 (NDS)	1.78 (8)
2012To09 (PRC)		1.69		

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Systematic study of the structure of odd-mass lanthanum nuclei. I. Levels in ^{137}La from $^{137}\text{Ce}^{m+g}$ decay*

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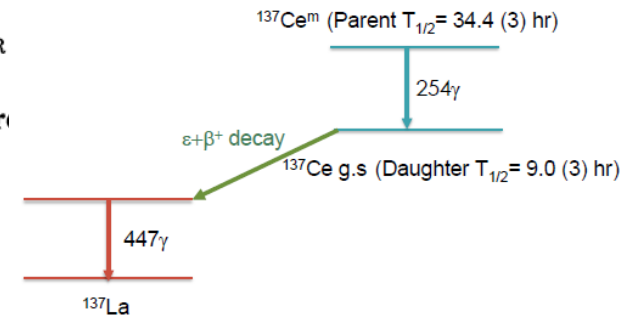


TABLE I. γ rays which follow $^{137}\text{Ce}^g$ decay.

E_{γ}	I_{γ} (rel.) ^a	Assignment from-to
10.56 (4) ^{b,c}		10-0
148.83 (8)	0.5 (2)	641-493
217.03 (5)	2.2 (3)	926-709
433.22 (9)	29.1 (15)	926-493
436.59 (9)	149 (5)	447-10
447.15 (8)	1000 ^d	447-0

^a To obtain absolute photon intensities, multiply by 0.002 24(10).

^b 10.56 keV obtained from energy differences of cascade and crossover transitions, $E_{\gamma} = 10.61$ keV using a LEPS; see text.

^c Uncertainties in the last significant figures are shown in parentheses.

^d In transient equilibrium spectra $I(254\gamma)/I(447\gamma) = 4.91(15)$.

Observations:

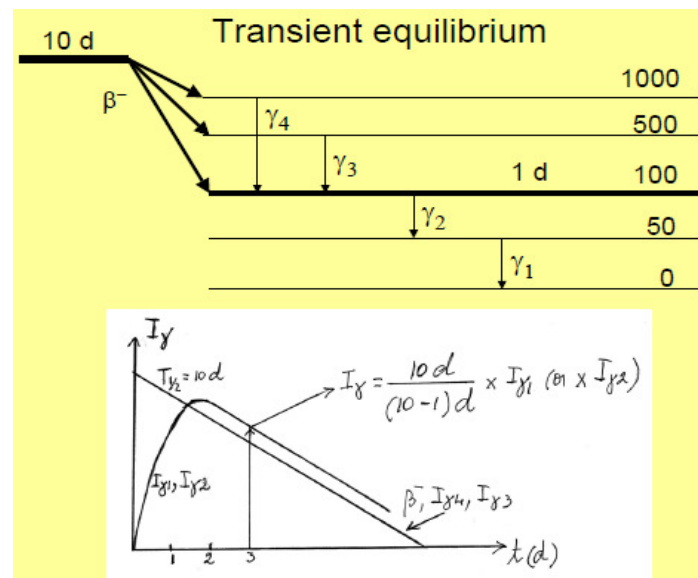
Opinion on the ^{137}Ce decay issues presented by Caroline Nesaraja at the 23rd NSDD technical meeting, April 8-12, 2019, Vienna, IAEA.

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Problem Statement:

From $^{137\text{m}}\text{Ce}$ IT (34.4 h) decay \rightarrow $^{137\text{g}}\text{Ce}$ (9.0 h) EC Decay \rightarrow ^{137}La measurements reported in 1975He20 – a $\%I_{\gamma}$ (477 γ) (^{137}La) = 2.24 (10) value may be obtained multiplying the relative intensity of 1000 with a multiplication factor of 0.00224 (10). However, 2007Br23 (Evaluation) give $\%I_{\gamma}$ (477 γ) = 1.68 (6) based on a multiplication factor of 0.00168 (6).

- **1975Bu12 (NDS) - 1.4 (3)** - based on data from a 1969 MSU Thesis.



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• New experimental data are needed to solve the discrepancy

γ-ray emission probability in transient equilibrium

Bateman equation for $A \xrightarrow{\lambda_A} B \xrightarrow{\lambda_B} C$

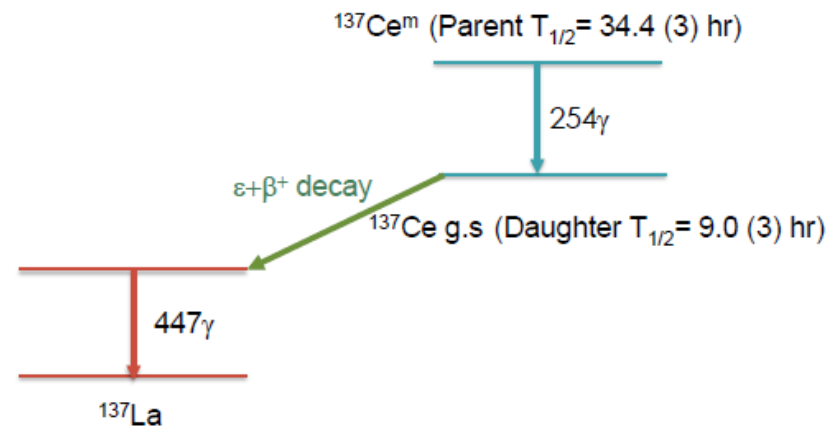
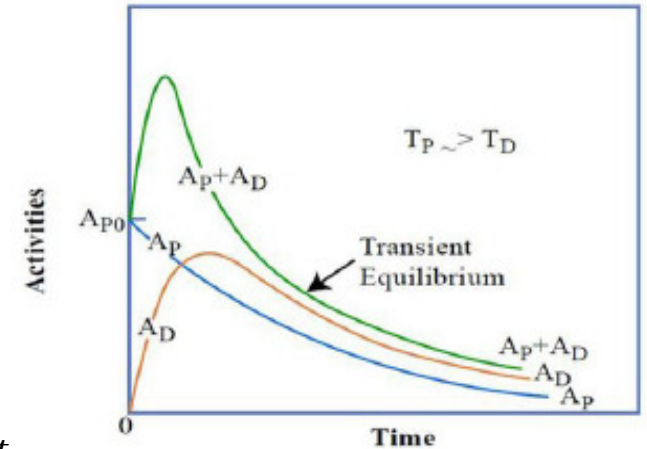


$$A_d(t) = A_p(0) \frac{\lambda_d}{\lambda_d - \lambda_p} \times (e^{-\lambda_p t} - e^{-\lambda_d t}) \times BR + A_d(0)e^{-\lambda_d t}$$



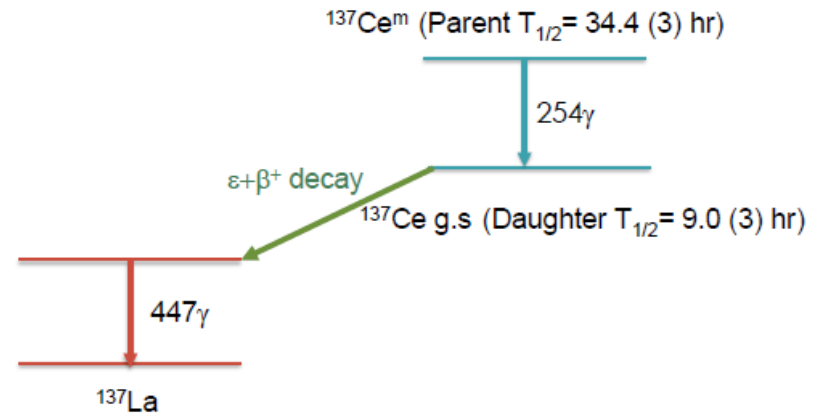
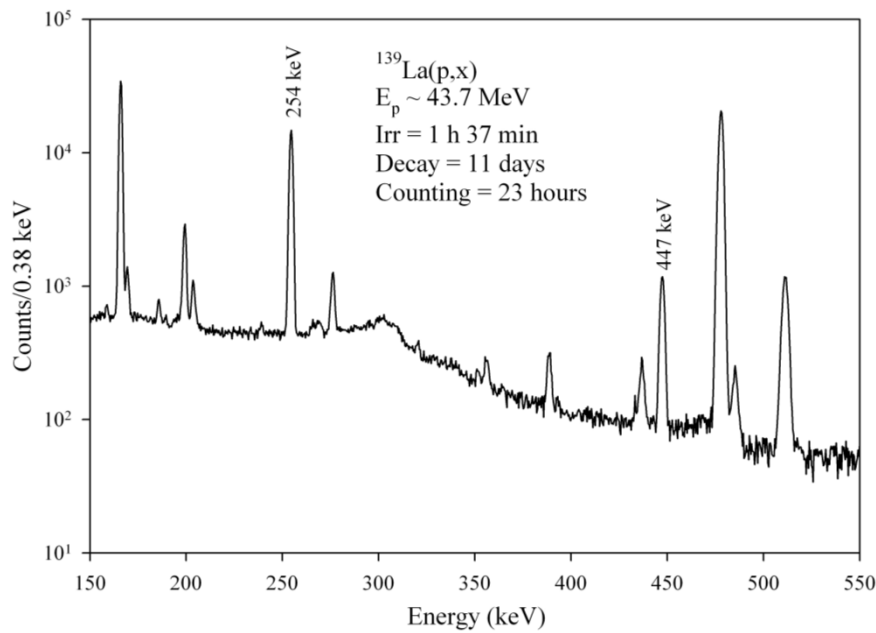
$$\frac{P_{\gamma p}}{P_{\gamma d}} = \frac{I_{\gamma p}}{I_{\gamma d}} \times \frac{T_p}{T_p - T_d} = \frac{I_{\gamma p}}{I_{\gamma d}} \times F$$

Time-dependent factor



Measurements:

- At 88-Inch cyclotron, LBNL - proton beam, $E=57$ MeV
- $^{139}\text{La}(p,3n)^{137}\text{Ce}^{m,g}$



$$\frac{P_{\gamma p}}{P_{\gamma d}} = \frac{I_{\gamma p}}{I_{\gamma d}} \times \frac{T_p}{T_p - T_d} = \frac{I_{\gamma p}}{I_{\gamma d}} \times F$$

• We identify the incorrect use of the time-dependent factor in 1975He20

Results: γ -ray emission probability in $^{137}\text{Ce}^g$ decay

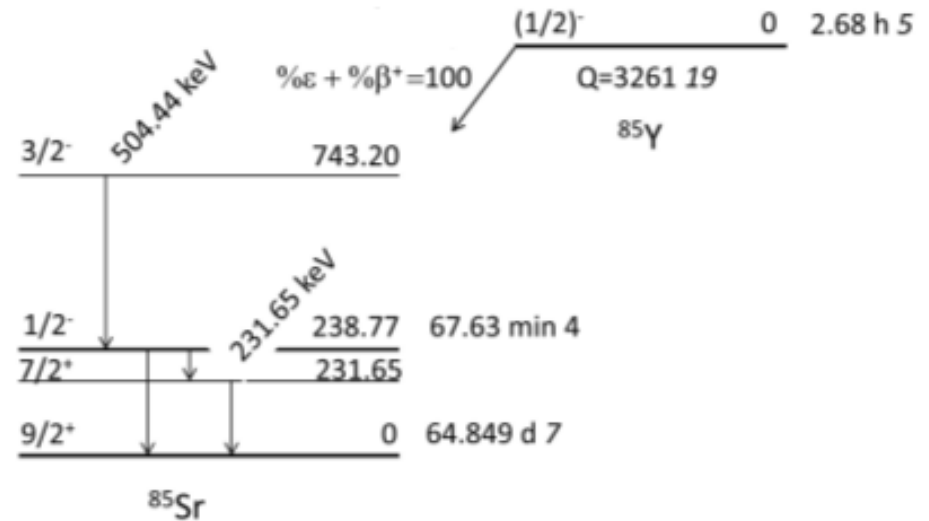
$$F=1.354 (17)$$

Sample #/ [Ref.]	$I_{\gamma p}/I_{\gamma d}$	$I_{\gamma p}/I_{\gamma d} \times F$	$\%P_{\gamma}$ (447)
This work	6.78 (9)	9.18 (17)	1.21 (3)
1969 Thesis data	6.0 (6)	8.1 (13)	1.4 (2)
1975He20	4.91 (15)		2.24 (10)
1975He20 (Revised)		9.00 (32)g	1.23 (5)

γ-ray emission probability in ⁸⁵Y^g decay

- Normalized in transient equilibrium – ⁸⁵Sr^m with ⁸⁵Y^g
- Assumed time-dependent correction was done by authors

2014Si05 - NDS



⁸⁵Y ε decay (2.68 h) 1976Li02,1975Ba49 (continued)

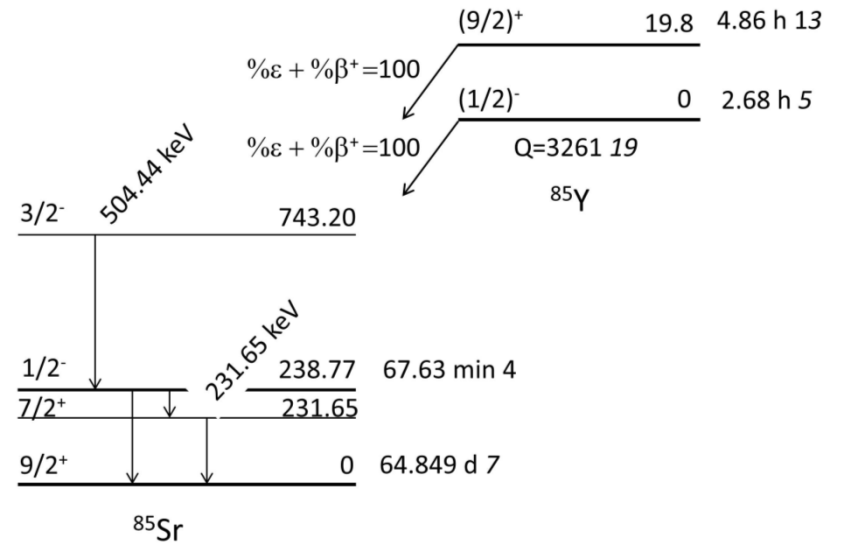
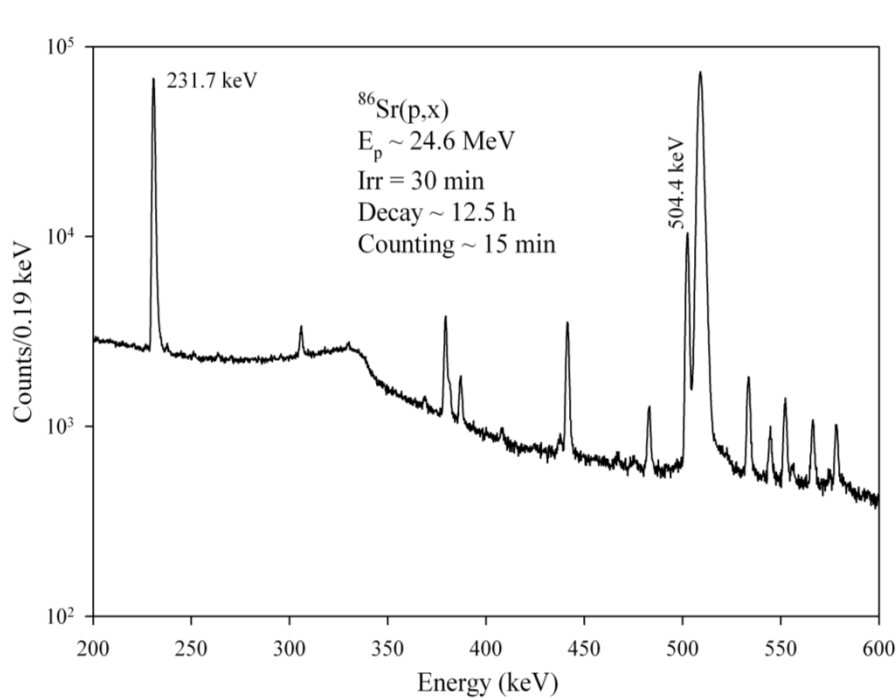
γ(⁸⁵Sr)

I_γ normalization: From I_γ(504γ)/I_γ(231γ)=0.71 5 and %I_γ(231γ)=83.9% 4 (see ⁸⁵Sr IT decay dataset).

<u>E_γ[†]</u>	<u>I_γ[‡]&</u>	<u>E_i(level)</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>	<u>Mult.[§]</u>	<u>δ[§]</u>	<u>α[@]</u>	<u>I_(γ+ce)^{&}</u>	<u>Comments</u>
(7.12 25)		238.77	1/2 ⁻	231.65	7/2 ⁺	[E3]		2.02×10 ⁷ 12	143 10	α(L)=1.66×10 ⁷ 10; α(M)=3.31×10 ⁶ 19; α(N)=3.17×10 ⁵ 18; α(O)=63 4 E _γ : from level-energy difference. I _(γ+ce) : I(γ+ce)(7γ)=I(γ+ce)(231γ)=143 10.
215.9 4	0.32 3	1152.67	3/2 ⁻	936.8	5/2 ⁻					
231.65 7	140 10	231.65	7/2 ⁺	0.0	9/2 ⁺	M1+E2	-0.45 6	0.0224 12		α(K)=0.0196 11; α(L)=0.00228 14; α(M)=0.000383 23; α(N)=4.7×10 ⁻⁵ 3 I _γ : it is assumed that I _γ =140 10 in 1976Li02 is corrected for time dependence.

Measurements:

- At 88-Inch cyclotron, LBNL - proton beam, $E=27$ MeV
- Enriched $^{86}\text{SrCO}_3$ target, $^{86}\text{Sr}(p,2n)^{85}\text{Ym,g}$



$$I_{\gamma dc} = I_{\gamma d}/F$$

Results: γ -ray emission probability in ^{85}Yg decay

Ref.	$I_{\gamma p}(504)$	$I_{\gamma dc}(232)$	% $P_{\gamma}(504)$
This work	100	139 (4)	60 (2)
1976Li02 (NP_A)	100	140 (10)	
2014Si05 (NDS)			60 (5)

We have confirmed the reported $I_{\gamma}(232)$ in 1976Li02 was corrected for time dependency. Which is assumed to normalize the ^{85}Yg decay scheme in NDS

Conclusions:

- Solved the discrepancy in the γ -ray emission probability in $^{137}\text{Ce}^g$ decay
- Our value **1.21 (3)%** is in excellent agreement with the revised value of **1.23 (5)%** (1975He20) for the 447-keV γ -ray emission probability
- Confirmed that the reported $I_\gamma(232)$ in 1976Li02 was corrected for time dependency in $^{85}\text{Y}^g$ decay

- In cases where the literature data are ambiguous on this issue, new experiments are needed to verify the accuracy of the γ -ray emission probabilities

Resolution of a discrepancy in the γ -ray emission probability from the beta decay of $^{137}\text{Ce}^g$

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