

Mixing ratio of gamma-rays in ^{85}Sr nucleus from the R_{DCO} and Polarization Asymmetry measurements

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Introduction

In nuclear structure, the excited states decay through the emission of gamma-ray transitions [1]. These gamma-rays transitions have multipole character such as E1, M1, M1+E2, E2 etc. The angular distribution, R_{DCO} and polarization asymmetry measurements help us to know their multipole character. In fact, the values of angular distribution coefficients, R_{DCO} and polarization asymmetry for the mixed gamma-ray transitions depend on the value of mixing ratio.

In the present work, the mixing ratio of the gamma-ray transitions having mixed character is calculated from the values of angular distribution coefficients, R_{DCO} and polarization asymmetry values for the ^{85}Sr nucleus [2].

Theoretical background

Angular distributions of gamma-rays at an angle θ is given by the eq. (1)

$$W(\theta) = 1 + A_2 P_2(\cos \theta) + A_4 P_4(\cos \theta) \quad (1)$$

where, A_2 and A_4 are angular distribution coefficients. They can be calculated theoretically by using the relation

$$A_2 = \alpha_2 A_2^{\text{max}} \text{ and } A_4 = \alpha_4 A_4^{\text{max}} \quad (2)$$

where, α_2 and α_4 are attenuation coefficients and A_2^{max} and A_4^{max} are angular distribution coefficients for completely aligned nuclei and given by the relation

$$A_2^{\text{max}} = \frac{1}{(1+\delta^2)} [F_2(L_1 L_1) + 2\delta F_2(L_1 L_2) + \delta^2 F_2(L_2 L_2)] \quad (3)$$

$$A_4^{\text{max}} = \frac{1}{(1+\delta^2)} [F_4(L_1 L_1) + 2\delta F_4(L_1 L_2) + \delta^2 F_4(L_2 L_2)] \quad (4)$$

where, δ is the mixing ratio and $F_2(L_m L_n)$ and $F_4(L_m L_n)$ coefficients have been taken from reference [3].

Directional correlation from oriented states (R_{DCO}) [4] is calculated using the relation

$$R_{\text{DCO}} = \frac{W(\gamma_1, \theta_1) W(\gamma_2, \theta_2)}{W(\gamma_1, \theta_2) W(\gamma_2, \theta_1)} \quad (5)$$

The polarization asymmetry [5] is defined as

$$\Delta = P(\theta) Q \quad (6)$$

where, $P(\theta)$ is degree of polarization. Degree of polarization at 90° is given by the relation

$$P_{\text{cal}}(90^\circ) = \pm \frac{3A_2 H_2 - 7.5A_4 H_4}{2 - A_2 + 0.75A_4} \quad (7)$$

Where, $H_2 = 1$ and $H_4 = -1/6$ for pure transition and for mixed transitions

$$H_2 = \frac{F_2(L_1 L_1) - 0.667\delta F_2(L_1 L_2) + \delta^2 F_2(L_2 L_2)}{F_2(L_1 L_1) - 2\delta F_2(L_1 L_2) + \delta^2 F_2(L_2 L_2)}; H_4 = -\frac{1}{6} \quad (8)$$

Polarization sensitivity Q is given by

$$Q(E_\gamma) = (CE_\gamma + D) Q_0(E_\gamma) \quad (9)$$

$$Q_0(E_\gamma) = \frac{\alpha + 1}{\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1}; \alpha = \frac{E_\gamma}{m_e c^2} \quad (10)$$

Calculations and Results

In the present work data of $^{13}\text{C} + ^{76}\text{Ge}$ @ 45 MeV [2] have been analyzed. The angular distribution, R_{DCO} and polarization asymmetry have been calculated for few transitions as shown in table 1.

Table 1: R_{DCO} (Dipole gate) and polarization asymmetry values for different transitions.

Energy (keV)	Multipolarity	R_{DCO}	Polarization Asymmetry
990.5	E1($\Delta J = 0$)	2.24 ± 0.15	-0.075 \pm 0.007
906.3	M1+E2	1.11 ± 0.12	-0.084 \pm 0.013
964.6	M1+E2	0.85 ± 0.06	-0.037 \pm 0.008
1288	E2	1.90 ± 0.15	0.078 \pm 0.006

Using the equations (1- 10) a contour plot between polarization asymmetry and R_{DCO} have been obtained as shown in Figs. 1-3. Then from the values of R_{DCO} and polarization asymmetry, mixing ratio of the gamma-ray transitions have been calculated.

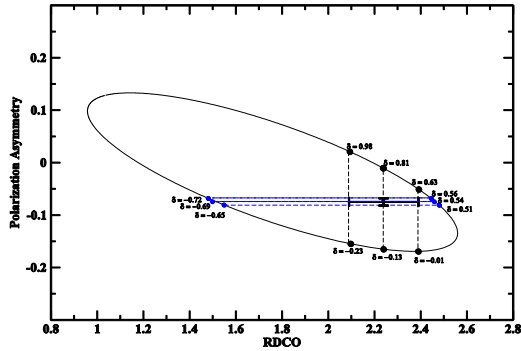


Fig. 1 Polarization asymmetry vs. R_{DCO} for 990.5 keV gamma-ray transition

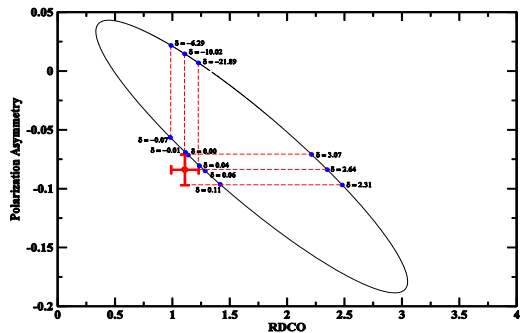


Fig. 2 Polarization asymmetry vs. R_{DCO} for 906.3 keV gamma-ray transition

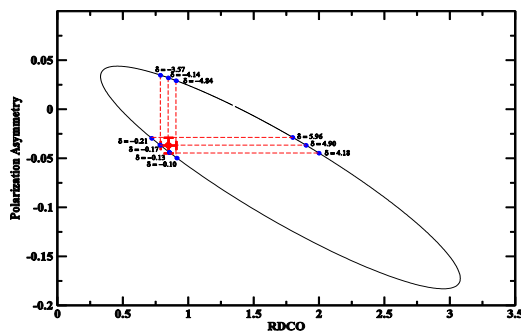


Fig. 3 Polarization asymmetry vs. R_{DCO} for 964.3 keV gamma-ray transition

The values of mixing ratio obtained are shown in table 2.

Table 2: Mixing ratio different transitions.

Energy (keV)	Mixing Ratio from Polarization Asymmetry	Mixing Ratio from R_{DCO}	Mixing Ratio
990.5	0.54 ± 0.03	0.81 ± 0.18	0.55 ± 0.02
906.3	0.00 ± 0.11	-0.01 ± 0.12	0.00 ± 0.01
964.6	-0.17 ± 0.04	-0.13 ± 0.04	-0.15 ± 0.03

Conclusions

Mixing ratio of 991-, 906- and 964 keV transition have been obtained by using Chi-square minimization in the theoretically calculated and experimentally obtained R_{DCO} and polarization asymmetry values.

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