Deformation and isospin effects in the beta decay of ⁷¹Kr A. Algora (IFIC, CSIC-Univ. Valencia; HUN-REN Atomki, Debrecen)



The N≈Z region around Z=34-38



This region is of particular interest in phenomena related to

- deformation
- shape co-existence
- isospin symmetry
- np pairing

Main reason: drastic shape and structural changes depending on the occupation of orbitals in a region of relatively low-level density

Study of isospin symmetry and isoscalar pn-pairing beyond the f_{7/2} shell Spokespersons: G. De Angelis, <u>A. Algora</u>, F. Recchia, B. Rubio Experiment NP1112-RIBF93



A few words about beta decay: beta feedings

(for excited states)

$$0 = I_{out}^{tot}(i) - I_{in}^{tot}(i) - I_{\beta}(i)$$

$$I_{\beta}^{tot}(i) = \sum_{k} I_{\gamma_{k}} + I_{CE_{k}}$$

$$I_{\beta}(i) \qquad I_{in}^{tot}(i)$$

$$I_{out}^{tot}(i)$$



Example: ⁶⁰Co decay from http://www.nndc.bnl.gov/



Mirror nuclei and fundamental applications



 $A_Z X_N \qquad A_N Y_Z$

Why their study is relevant:

Provides a way to test how good the isospin concept/symmetry is valid (if the strong force between protons and neutrons is the same then their spectrum should be very similar,once the Coulomb force and other distortions are taken into account).

It also provides independent data to test the unitarity of the CKM matrix and the CVC hypothesis.

See Naviliat-Cuncic, Severijns, PRL 102, 142302 (2009) (Fermi transitions between IAS)

Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: the first detailed study



Mirror nuclei for fundamental applications

TABLE II. Branching ratios, BR, for the T = 1/2 mirror β transitions. References to data listed here are given in Table IV. References to rejected data are listed in Table VI.

Parent nucleus		Average value	scale					
	1		2		3		BR%	S
³ H	100	[Ti87]					100	
¹¹ C	100	[Aj75]					100	
^{13}N	100	[Aj70]					100	
¹⁵ O	100	[Aj70]					100	
¹⁷ F	100	[Aj70]					100	
¹⁹ Ne	BR(1.55 MeV): BR(0.11 MeV):		$\begin{array}{c} 0.0021 \pm 0.0003 \\ 0.012 \pm 0.002 \end{array}$	[A176] [Ad81]	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0023 \pm 0.0003 \\ 0.011 \pm 0.009 \end{array}$	[Ad83] [Sa93]	99.9858 ± 0.0020	1
²¹ Na	94.9 ± 0.2	[A174]	95.8 ± 0.2	[Az77]	94.98 ± 0.13	[Wi80]		
	95.26 ± 0.04	[Ia06]	95.15 ± 0.12	[Ac07]			95.235 ± 0.069	2.0
²³ Mg	90.9 ± 0.5	[Ta60]	91.4 ± 0.4	[Go68a]	90.9 ± 0.4	[A174]		
	91.9 ± 0.4	[Ma74]	92.2 ± 0.2	[Az77]			91.78 ± 0.26	1.8
^{25}Al	99.16 ± 0.07	[Ju71]	99.1 ± 0.2	[Ma69]	99.11 ± 0.08	[Ma76]		
	99.16 ± 0.04	[Az77]					99.151 ± 0.031	1
²⁷ Si	99.90 ± 0.02	[Go64]	99.80 ± 0.07	[De71]	99.82 ± 0.05	[Be71]		
20	99.77 ± 0.02	[Ma74]	99.81 ± 0.01	[Az77]			99.818 ± 0.022	2.8
²⁹ P	98.4 ± 0.3	[Lo62]	98.11 ± 0.30	[Az77]	98.29 ± 0.03	[Wi80]	98.290 ± 0.030	1
³¹ S	98.9 ± 0.1	[Ta60]	99.2 ± 0.4	[De71]	98.75 ± 0.06	[A174]		
22	98.89 ± 0.20	[Az77]	98.86 ± 0.04	[Wi80]			98.837 ± 0.031	1
³³ Cl	98.3 ± 0.2	[Ba70]	98.58 ± 0.19	[Wi80]			98.45 ± 0.14	1
³⁵ Ar	98.32 ± 0.07	[Wi69]	98.55 ± 0.05	[De71]	98.3 ± 0.2	[Ge71]		
27	98.0 ± 0.2	[Az77]	98.24 ± 0.05	[Wi80]	98.24 ± 0.10	[Ad84]	98.358 ± 0.066	2.2
³⁷ K	98.0 ± 0.4	[Ka64]	98.5 ± 0.2	[Ma76]	97.8 ± 0.2	[Az77]		
20	97.89 ± 0.11	[Ha97]					97.99 ± 0.14	1.7
³⁹ Ca	99.9975 ± 0.0002	[Ha94]					99.9975 ± 0.0002	
⁴¹ Sc	99.963 ± 0.003	[Wi80]					99.963 ± 0.003	
⁴³ Ti	90.2 ± 0.8	[Ho87]					90.2 ± 0.8	
⁴⁵ V	95.7 ± 1.5	[Ho82]					95.7 ± 1.5	
⁴⁷ Cr	96.3 ± 1.2	[Bu85]					96.3 ± 1.2	
⁴⁹ Mn	93.6 ± 2.6	[Ha80]	91.9 ± 2.8	[Ho89]			92.8 ± 1.9	1
⁵¹ Fe	95.0 ± 1.3	[Ay84]	93.8 ± 1.3	[Ho89]			94.40 ± 0.92	1
⁵³ Co	94.4 ± 1.7	[Ho89]					94.4 ± 1.7	
⁵⁷ Cu	89.9 ± 0.8	[Se96]					89.9 ± 0.8	
⁵⁹ Zn	93.0 ± 3.0	[Ho81]	94.1 ± 0.8	[Ar84]			94.03 ± 0.77	1
⁶¹ Ga	94 + 1	[We02]					94 ± 1	_
⁷¹ Kr	82.1 ± 1.6	[Oi97]					82.1 ± 1.6	
⁷⁵ Sr	$90.3^{+1.9}_{-2.8}$	[Hu03] ^a					89.6 ± 2.4	

N. Severijns et al., PRC 78, 055501, (2008)

Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: Urkedal and Hamamoto



FIG. 2. Nilsson diagrams for neutron one-particle orbits in 72 Kr, based on calculations using (a) the SG2 and (b) the SLy10 interactions. The N=36 Fermi levels at the prolate and oblate HF minima are denoted by open squares. Asymptotic quantum numbers $[Nn_z \Lambda \Omega]$ are shown on the right. Negative (positive) parity orbits are drawn by dashed (solid) lines.

Premises:

- The assignment of 5/2- to the gs of 71Br seems solid
- Deformation might be an issue
- Hartree-Fock calculations. Analysis of possible configurations in ⁷¹Br. In their interpretation ⁷¹Br is preferably prolate, but requires smaller spin-orbit splitting than conventional to get 5/2- as gs
- B(GT) calculations in asymptotic limit.

Conclusion of the work:

- Considering the magnitude of the B(GT)-s, the gs state of ⁷¹Kr probably has the same deformation than his mirror counter part ⁷¹Br, but it is a different state (3/2-).
- The same 5/2- can not account for the exp. B(GT) value.

Urkedal, Hamamoto, PRC 58, R1889 (1998)

Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: infered from in-beam?



S.M. Fischer *et al.*, PRC72, 024321 (2005)

FIG. 10. The modified β -decay scheme for ⁷¹Kr.

Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: Waniganeththi et al.



S. Waniganeththi et al., PRC 106, 044317 (2022)





Implantation detector WAS3ABI + EURICA

84 capsules (12 cluster detectors of 7 capsules)

Singles eff 4.5 % at 1 MeV Addback eff 6 % at 1 MeV





PID of the fragments using BigRIPS (Bp- Δ E-TOF method)

In the Eurica exp: TOF between F3 and F7 Bro measured (or extrapolated) Z identifed from the energy loss in MUSIC detectors Correlations are needed for the analysis of the experiment

$$POF = \frac{L}{\beta c}$$
$$\frac{A}{Q} = \frac{B\rho}{\beta \gamma} \frac{c}{m_u}$$

Τ



 10^{4}

The complexity of the experiments: correlations

Three independent data acquisition systems





Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: half-life



Half-life [ms]

Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: level scheme



Framework: large scale shell model calculations (SM-CI) **Interaction:** PFSDG-U **Valence space**: orbits 1p3/2, 1p1/2, 0f5/2, 0g9/2, and 1d5/2.

B(GT) calculated for different assumptions of J^{π} assignments to the ground state.

In addition, Coulomb and other charge symmetry breaking (CSB) terms were evaluated

Same model was recently used to explain the gs inversion in the A=73 case (see next slides)

Calculations by Alfredo Poves

Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: accumulated beta strength



Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: Shell model calculations

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TABLE I. Calculated energy levels with the PFSDG-U interaction (A=71 column) and considering in successive approximations the electromagnetic and nuclear charge symmetry breaking (CSB) terms (see reference [25] for more details): (a) Nuclear plus Coulomb two body plus the electromagnetic $\vec{l} \cdot \vec{l}$ and $\vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}$ contributions to the single particle energies of protons and neutrons; (b)=(a) plus the nuclear CSB correction; (c)=(b) plus the radial correction to the mirror energy differences (MED) assigned to ⁷¹Kr. All energies are given in keV.

J^{π}	A=71	⁷¹ Kr (a)	⁷¹ Kr (b)	⁷¹ Kr (c)	⁷¹ Br (a)	71 Br (b)	71 Br (exp)
$5/2^{-}$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$1/2^{-}$	171	45	50	23	33	26	10
$3/2^{-}$	123	131	136	137	182	189	208
$9/2^{+}$	1047	975	998	902	882	877	759

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Rare case of ISOSPIN symmetry breaking

We infer an ISOSPIN breaking in the ground state of mirror A=71 nuclei

 $(^{71}$ Kr vs 71 Br). First time in the literature for a T=1/2 case (Algora, Vitéz-Sveiczer et al.), which is the possible simplest case.

Identified cases before:

T=1 case. (¹⁶F-¹⁶N) mirror pair, a special system where ¹⁶F is particle unbound and ¹⁶N is particle bound. The symmetry breaking in this case is explained as a consequence of the Coulomb interaction, by an effect known as the Thomas-Ehrmann shift (Stefan et al. Phys. Rev. C 90, 014307 (2014)).

T=3/2 case. (⁷³Sr-⁷³Rb) This last case was identified indirectly by studying the proton emission of states in ⁷³Rb that indicates the assignment of $J\pi = (5/2-)$ to the ground state of ⁷³Sr, to be compared with the $J\pi = 1/2-$ assignment to ⁷³Br in its ground state (Hoff et al., Nature 580, 52 (2020))



Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: shapes, some partial conclusions

Final shape conclusion from SM not so clear, but clearly there is and inversion in the lowest states.

I quote (short version): ...if you can not speak, remain silent

In the mean field approach based on the Skyrme SLy4 interaction the ground state corresponds to an oblate minimum consistent with the 1/2- assignment with a deformation β =-0.18. In the prolate side the various local minima correspond to a 3/2- state with β =0.14 and to slightly excited states 5/2- and 1/2- with deformation β =0.09.

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Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr: beta delayed protons



Possible coexisting state in ⁷⁰Se, long sought.

See recent publication by Smallcombe et al. PRC 110, 024318 (2024)

Beta decay of ⁷¹Kr has been a challenging case, and possibly not all questions are answered.

First case of T=1/2 isospin breaking in the gs.

Probably ⁷¹Kr is "oblate" in its ground state.

We see evidence of a new 0+ state in ⁷⁰Se, which has been interpreted as a long sought coexisting state.

THANK YOU for your attention

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