

Spectroscopic information about a hypothetical tetrahedral configuration in ^{156}Gd

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Abstract

A detailed γ -ray spectroscopy of the lowest two negative-parity bands in ^{156}Gd has been performed ...

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1. Introduction

Theoretical studies based on the nuclear mean-field approach and group theory considerations suggest [1, 2] that some atomic nuclei may exhibit tetrahedral and/or octahedral symmetries. To the lowest order, tetrahedral symmetry is realized through octupole deformation $Y3\pm2$ of the nuclear surface. Previous research[3] has determined magic numbers for which tetrahedral deformation should be the easiest to observe leading to tetrahedral proton and neutron "magic" numbers $Z_t/N_t = 32, 40, 56, 64, 70, 90$, and 112, with extra gaps at $N_t = 136$ and 142. The authors of Refs. [1, 2, 3] have furthermore demonstrated that nuclei with an exact tetrahedral symmetry have all multipole moments $Q_\lambda < 7$, $\nu = 0$ except for Q_{32} - thus, in particular, the corresponding quadrupole moments Q_2 vanish. The radiation intensity can be written down using the standard expression in the Equation 1.

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

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2. Experiment setup

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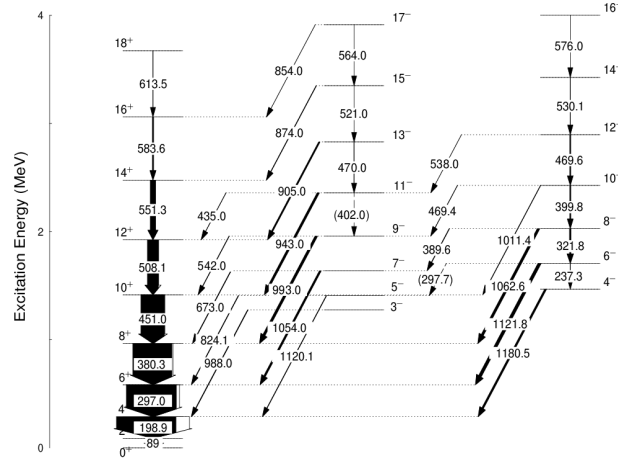


Figure 1: Partial level scheme of ^{156}Gd .

3. Spectroscopy information

Transition intensities are presented in the Figure 1 ...

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Appendix A. Experiment data

Experiment data are shown in the Table A.1 ...

Table A.1: Data γ ray detection.		
Interaction	Clover	Cluster
1	74.5	79.8
2	22.4	18.3
≥ 3	13.3	12.8

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