

# The Mössbauer Effect - Experiment 28

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In[1]:= << CurveFit`
CurveFit for Mathematica v7.x thru v10.x, Version 1.95, 1/2016
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In[2]:= With[ {name = SystemDialogInput["FileOpen",
      {DataFileName, {"data files" -> {"*.dat", "*.mca"}, "all files" -> {"*"}}}]},
  If[ name != $Canceled,
    LoadFile[name]
  ]
/home/yovan/Documents/Coursework/2_Smore_Year/2_Winter_2018/Ph6/Lab
6/Mossbauer_BadalYovan_2_20_2018.dat
Read 51 data points.
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## Lorentzian Fit

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In[3]:= LorentzianCFit[]

n = 51


$$y(\omega) = c \pm y_{\max} \frac{\left(\frac{\gamma}{2}\right)^2}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma}{2}\right)^2}$$


Fit of (x,y) (unweighted)

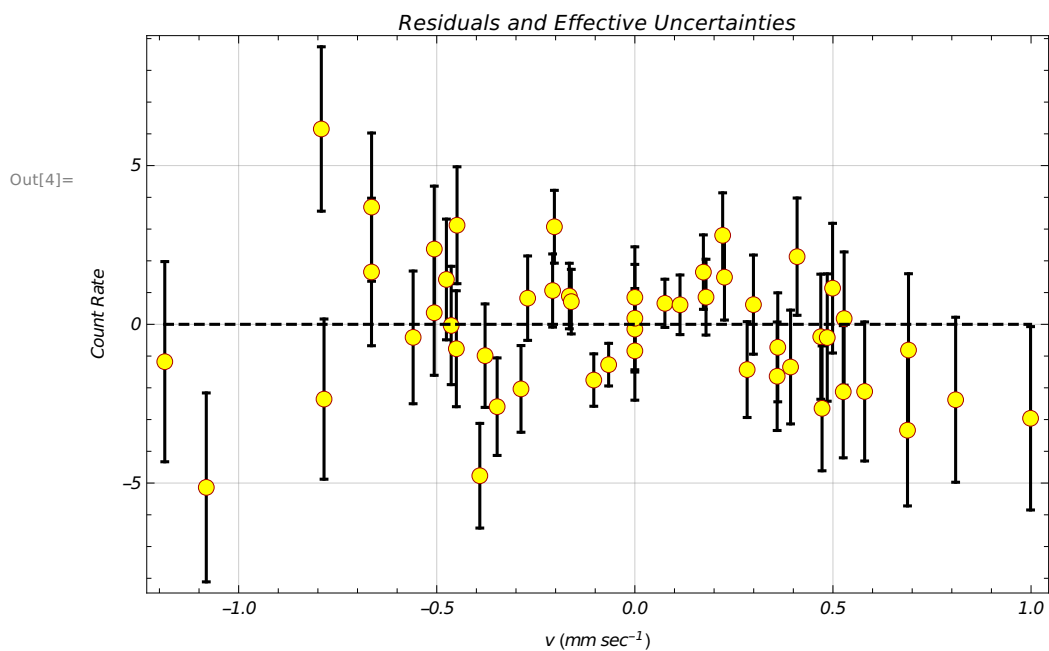
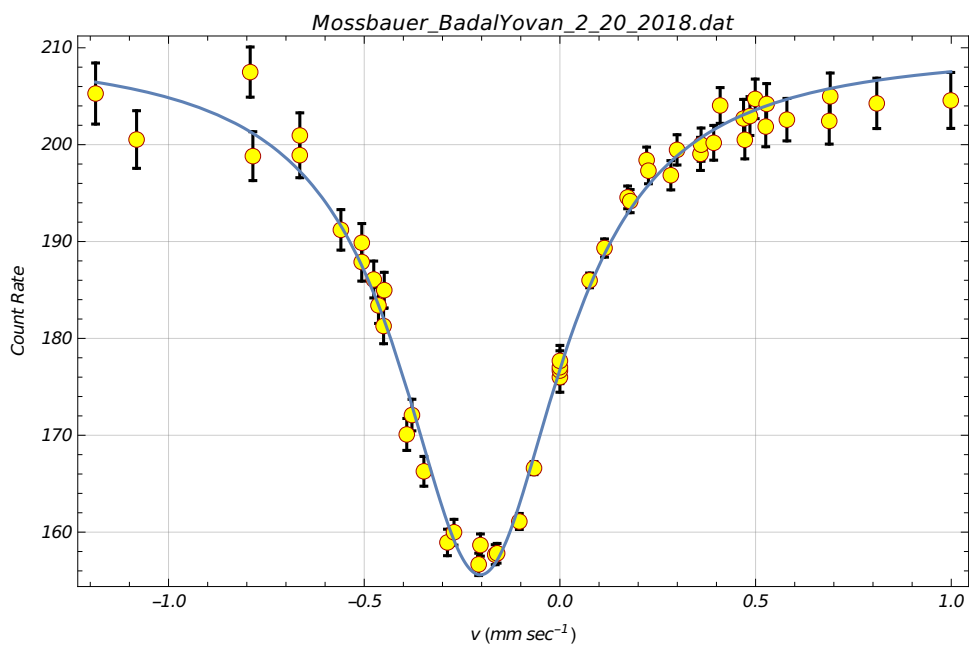

$$\begin{array}{ll} y_{\max} = -53.2892 & c = 208.59 \\ \sigma_{y_{\max}} = 1.00673 & \sigma_c = 0.721269 \\ \omega_0 = -0.20529 & \gamma = 0.48465 \\ \sigma_{\omega_0} = 0.00403277 & \sigma_\gamma = 0.0171077 & \text{Std. deviation} = 2.13998 \end{array}$$


Fit of (x,y $\pm\sigma_y$ )


$$\begin{array}{ll} y_{\max} = -54.2411 & c = 209.833 \\ \sigma_{y_{\max}} = 0.729878 & \sigma_c = 0.692182 \\ \omega_0 = -0.203285 & \gamma = 0.506767 \\ \sigma_{\omega_0} = 0.00257381 & \sigma_\gamma = 0.0124181 & \chi^2 / (n-4) = 1.51873 \end{array}$$

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In[4]:= LinearDifferencePlot[FrameLabel -> {"v (mm sec-1)", "Count Rate"}]
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$$y(\omega) = c \pm y_{\max}$$

$$\frac{\left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2}$$

$$y_{\max} = -54.2411 \quad c = 209.833$$

$$\sigma_{y_{\max}} = 0.729878 \quad \sigma_c = 0.692182$$

$$\omega_0 = -0.203285 \quad \gamma = 0.506767$$

$$\sigma_{\omega_0} = 0.00257381 \quad \sigma_\gamma = 0.0124181 \quad \chi^2 / (n-4) = 1.51873$$

We observe that the data fits a Lorentzian distribution reasonably well ( $\tilde{\chi}^2$  of 1.52), although it seems to have higher than expected residuals around the wings of the distribution.

At the center of the line, we observe a count rate decrease of  $\sim 26\%$  (the Lorentzian fit gives a differential peak of -54.2 and we graphically observe a baseline of  $\sim 205$ ). We observe a relative isomeric shift of  $-0.203 \pm 0.003 \text{ mm sec}^{-1}$ . Therefore in accordance with our pre-lab calculations, it is more likely that the emitter is embedded in Rh (theoretical relative isomeric shift of  $-0.199 \text{ mm sec}^{-1}$ ) than in Pd (theoretical relative isomeric shift of  $-0.186 \text{ mm sec}^{-1}$ .)

According to our pre-lab calculations, we expect a FWHM of  $0.193 \text{ mm sec}^{-1}$  for the Lorentzian. Instead, we observe the very different FWHM value of  $0.507 \text{ mm sec}^{-1}$ . This indicates that the absorption line may not be best described by a Lorentzian despite the good  $\tilde{\chi}^2$ . One possible cause for this may be the alloying in the stainless steel, causing significant deviations from the perfect crystal structure assumptions under which our theoretical expectation was derived. Now, we expect those deviations to be independent and random throughout the crystal, which could impart a Gaussian structure to our absorption line data. Therefore, we now attempt to fit a Gaussian to our data.

## Gaussian Fit

(\* We transform the data so we can use a Gaussian fit with an offset. \*)

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In[5]:= xnew[ x_, y_ ] := x
       ynew[ x_, y_ ] := -y
       DataTransform[]
       (* Use Undo[] if you don't like the results. *)
       All 51 points transformed.
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In[8]:= GaussianCFit[]
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n = 51

y(x) =
ymax exp  $\left( \frac{-(x - \mu)^2}{2 \text{sigma}^2} \right) + c$ 

Fit of (x,y) (unweighted)

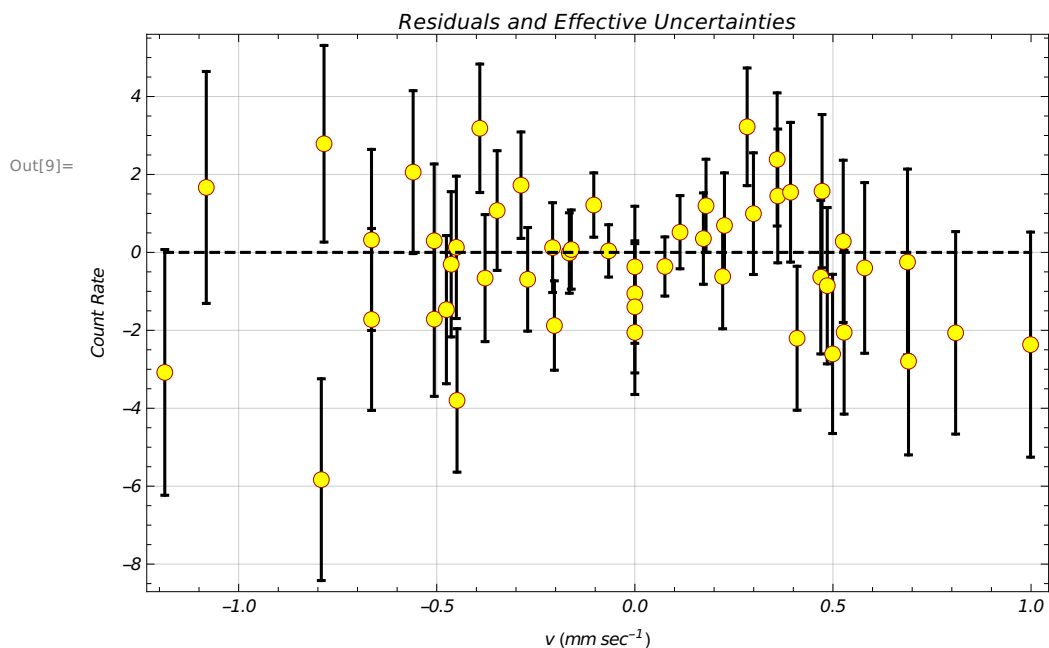
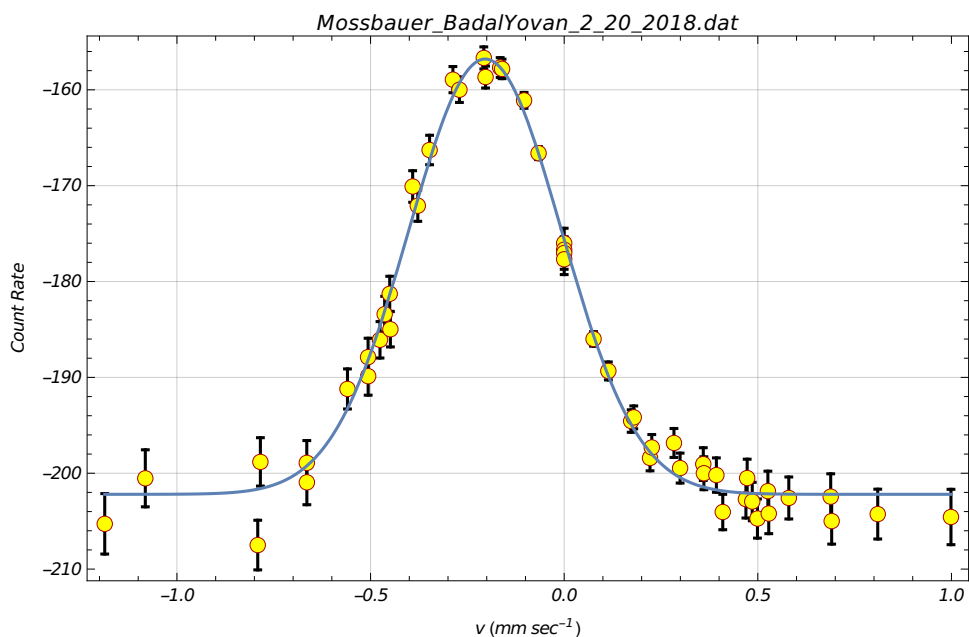
ymax=          c=
45.7057        -202.699
σymax=        σc=
0.774196        0.436531
μ=             sigma=
-0.204306        0.198951
σμ=           σsigma=      Std. deviation=
0.00334971      0.00446511  1.87357

Fit of (x,y±σy)

ymax=          c=
45.4106        -202.199
σymax=        σc=
0.572426        0.47459
μ=             sigma=
-0.204099        0.197143
σμ=           σsigma=      χ2 / (n-4) =
0.00249411      0.00351981  1.00177

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In[9]:= LinearDifferencePlot[FrameLabel -> {"v (mm sec-1)", "Count Rate"}]
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$y(x) =$

$$y_{\max} \exp\left(\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) + c$$

$y_{\max} = 45.4106$        $c = -202.199$

$\sigma_{y_{\max}} = 0.572426$        $\sigma_c = 0.47459$

$\mu = -0.204099$        $\sigma = 0.197143$

$\sigma_{\mu} = 0.00249411$        $\sigma_{\sigma} = 0.00351981$        $\chi^2 / (n-4) = 1.00177$

We observe a better  $\chi^2$  for the Gaussian fit (1.002) than for the Lorentzian fit! This indicates that the alloying does in fact impart a Gaussian structure to our absorption line data. Here

we obtain a FWHM of  $2.36\sigma = 0.465 \pm 0.007 \text{ mm sec}^{-1}$ . This is still much greater than our theoretical expectation (as we would expect if additional uncertainty was added to the distribution via Gaussian-distributed deviations from the theoretical distribution), but still lower than the FWHM obtained using the Lorentzian fit.

## Voigt Fit

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In[10]:= Undo[]

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n = 51

In[21]:= (* We define a scaling of the Voigt distribution
          with an offset and fit the PDF using FitAnyFunction.nb *)

In[22]:= p[fwhm_, sig_, median_, x_, k_, c_] :=
          k * PDF[VoigtDistribution[fwhm/2, sig], x - median] + c

FitData[
  (* The expression defining the function *) p[fwhm, sig, median, x, k, c],
  (* The symbol for the variable in the expression *) x,
  (* A list of the parameters in the function to fit *) {fwhm, sig, median, k, c},
  (* A list of starting values for the parameters *) {0.15, 0.1, -0.2, -30, 200}
]
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$n = 51$

$p = 5$

$$f[x] = c + \frac{k \left( e^{\frac{\left(\frac{fwhm-i}{2}(-median+x)\right)^2}{2 sig^2}} \operatorname{Erfc}\left[\frac{\frac{fwhm-i}{2}(-median+x)}{\sqrt{2} sig}\right] + e^{\frac{\left(\frac{fwhm+i}{2}(-median+x)\right)^2}{2 sig^2}} \operatorname{Erfc}\left[\frac{\frac{fwhm+i}{2}(-median+x)}{\sqrt{2} sig}\right] \right)}{2 \sqrt{2 \pi} sig}$$

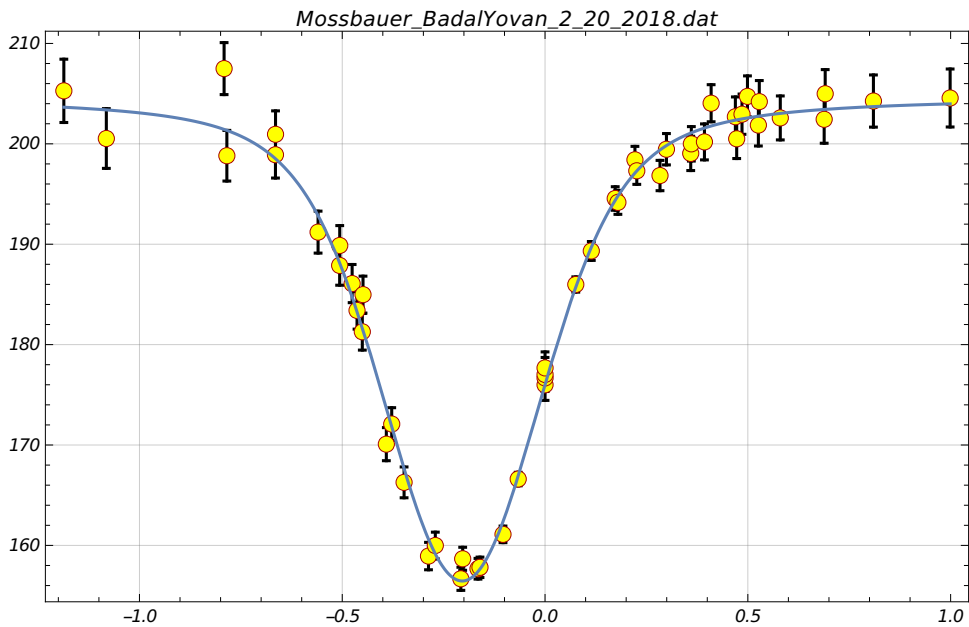
**Fit of (x,y) (unweighted):**

fwhm	=	0.198558 ± 0.0745072	
sig	=	0.150831 ± 0.0207717	
median	=	-0.20488 ± 0.00318979	Std. Deviation = 1.77417
k	=	-28.872 ± 2.65881	
c	=	204.837 ± 0.979996	

**Fit of (x,y±σ<sub>y</sub>):**

fwhm	=	0.188553 ± 0.0789763	
sig	=	0.154429 ± 0.0203498	
median	=	-0.204115 ± 0.00250897	$\frac{\chi^2}{n-p} = 0.907407 + 0. i$
k	=	-28.564 ± 2.96976	
c	=	204.6 ± 1.20602	

{fwhm → 0.188553, sig → 0.154429, median → -0.204115, k → -28.564, c → 204.6}



We observe that the Voigtfit is by far the best fit we have for our data, with a FWHM of  $0.189 \pm 0.007 \text{ mm sec}^{-1}$  which is within error of the expected value for the FWHM. Therefore the data is most likely to be Voigt-distributed.

(\* Note:

I haven't been able to get CurveFit to plot the residuals for some reason,  
it simply aborts when I send the command \*)