



Implementation of the E0 decay into the GOSIA analysis

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Conversion electrons in GOSIA

- Coulex cross section calculation → matrix elements determined from the γ -ray decay.
- A competitive to γ -ray emission is another electromagnetic process → **internal conversion**.
- Usually electrons are not measured in Coulex run → **GOSIA evaluates the loss in conversion**.
- **OP, YIEL in GOSIA** → **Internal Conversion Coefficients** for the **E λ** and **M λ** transitions (for **$\lambda > 0$** !).

$$\alpha = \lambda_e / \lambda_\gamma$$

the **ratio of the decay probability** arising from γ emission (λ_γ) and from electron emission (λ_e).

- A nonrelativistic calculation gives the analytic relations for α :

$$\alpha(EL) \cong \frac{Z^3}{n^3} \left(\frac{L}{L+1} \right) \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} \right)^4 \left(\frac{2m_e c^2}{E} \right)^{L+5/2}$$

$$\alpha(ML) \cong \frac{Z^3}{n^3} \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} \right)^4 \left(\frac{2m_e c^2}{E} \right)^{L+3/2}$$

Depend on :

- element (Z)
- the multipolarity
- γ -ray energy

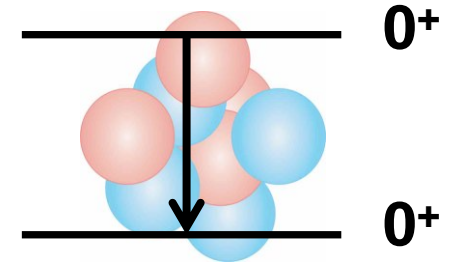
The probability **decreases rapidly with energy** → Z = 80, E2 transitions $\alpha = 136$ @ 50 keV

= 5.5 @ 100 keV

= $2.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$ @ 500 keV

A special case: the $E0$ transition

- Occurs between states of **the same spin and parity** and **no momentum is transferred**.
- Cannot occur in the emission of a single photon.
- Energy is transferred to a high energy atomic electron.



The $E0$ transition probability:

$$W(E0) = \frac{1}{\tau(E0)} = W_{ic}(E0) + W_{\pi}(E0) = \rho^2(E0) \cdot [\Omega_{ic}(E0) + \Omega_{\pi}(E0)]$$

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internal conversion
electron-positron pair emission
monopole transition strength
„electronic” (non-nuclear) factors (function of Z , ΔE , independent of nuclear properties)

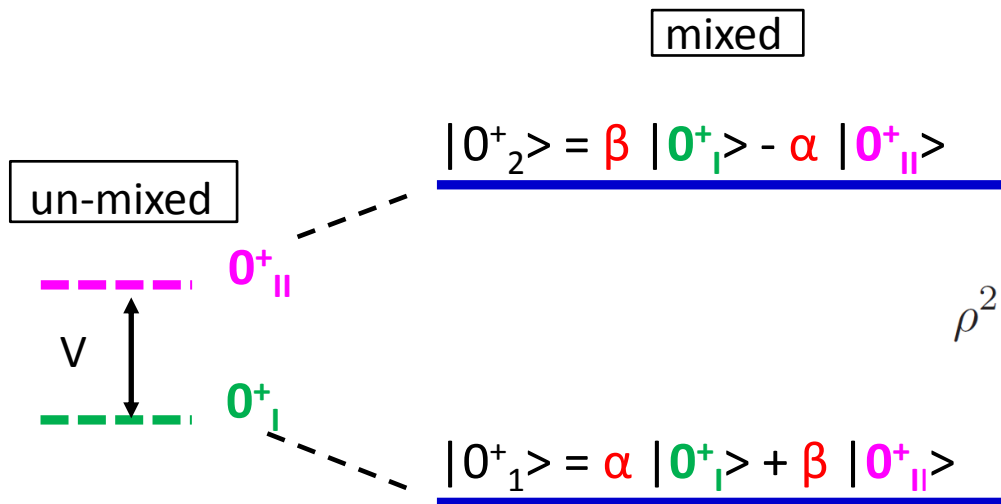
Monopole transition strength:

$$\rho(E0) = \frac{\langle f | M(E0) | i \rangle}{eR^2}$$

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monopole matrix element

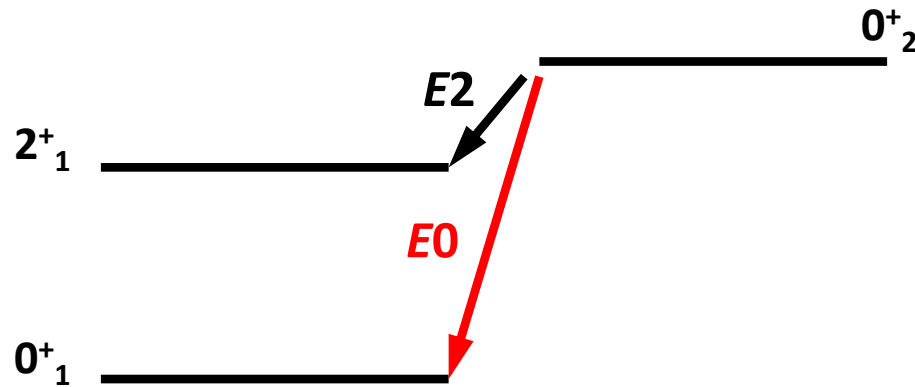
nuclear radius



$$\rho^2(E0) = \frac{Z^2}{R_0^4} \cdot \alpha^2(1 - \alpha^2) \left[\Delta \langle r^2 \rangle \right]^2$$

- Large $\rho^2(E0)$ values can be associated with **strongly mixed** states in nuclei that exhibit **shape coexistence**.
- Thus the measure of the $E0$ transition is a very common tool to study shape coexistence phenomena.
- The probability to decay through the $E0$ transition contains **nuclear structure information** that GOSIA cannot estimate.

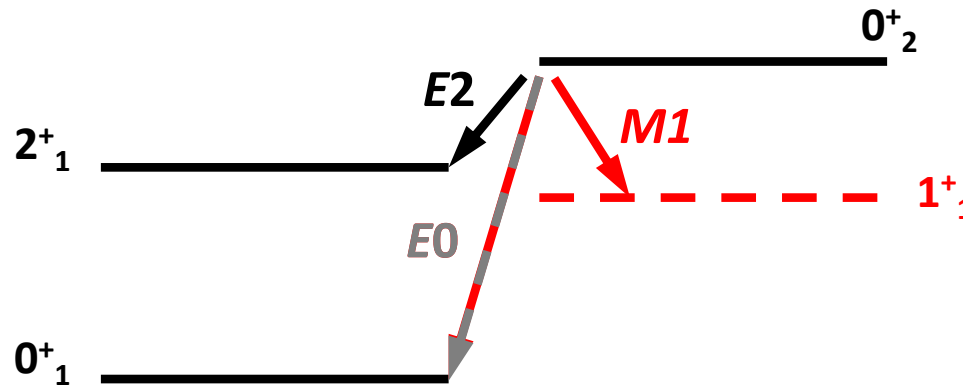
The $E0$ transition: $0^+_1 \rightarrow 0^+_2$



- If the 0^+_2 is populated, the decay can occur through a γ ($E2$) or electrons ($E0$ and $E2$).
- Electrons are **not measured** in typical Coulex experiments and the $E0$ is **not included** in the de-excitation cross section.
- From the *point of view of GOSIA*: the 0^+_2 will decay **entirely through the $E2$ transition**.
↳ important effect on the matrix elements connected to 0^+_2

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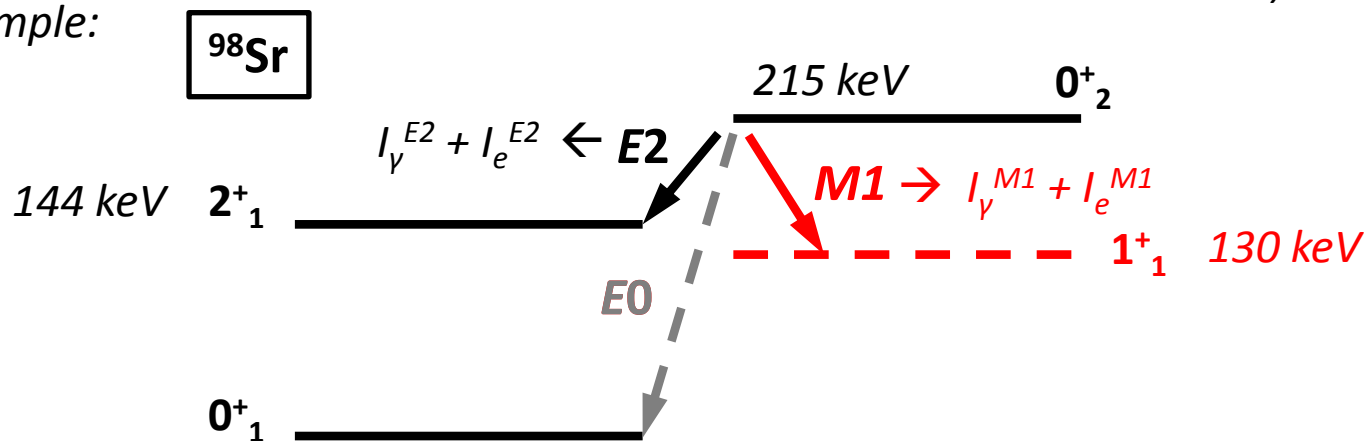
- The $(0^+_2 \rightarrow 0^+_1) / (0^+_2 \rightarrow 2^+_1)$ branching ratio known.
- **Direct inclusion the $E0$ decay** data into the GOSIA input file currently **not possible**.
- ➔ an **indirect method** need to be utilized:
 - in addition to the known level scheme an extra 1^+ state is declared connected to the 0^+_2 state by a M1 transition.
 - Since population of excited states proceeds almost exclusively via $E2$ transitions, introduction of such an additional state **does not affect the calculated excitation pattern**.
 - The $\langle 1^+_1 || M1 || 0^+_2 \rangle$ matrix element has been fitted in such a way to reproduce known $E0/E2$ branching ratio.

In this way, an alternative decay path of the 0^+_2 state has been included in the calculation !

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An example:



$R(E0/E2)$ measured in electron spectroscopy
following the β decay of $^{98}\text{Rb}^*$

E. Clement, M. Zielińska et al., PRC 94, 054326 (2016)

Branching ratios in GOSIA are defined in terms of **γ -ray branching ratios**.

Thus the branching ratio measured in electron spectroscopy, $R(E0/E2) = I_e^{E0} / (I_e^{E2} + I_\gamma^{E2})$,
needs to be corrected for internal conversion:

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{I_\gamma(0^+_2 \rightarrow 1^+_1)}{I_\gamma(0^+_2 \rightarrow 2^+_1)} = R(E0/E2) \times \frac{1 + \alpha_{E2,71 \text{ keV}}}{1 + \alpha_{M1,85 \text{ keV}}}$$

additional data point need to be
declared in OP, YIEL in GOSIA

* F. Schussler et al., Nucl. Phys. A **339**, 415 (1980), J. Park et al., Phys. Rev. C **93**, 014315 (2016)

The $E0$ transition in the GOSIA analysis

Each case is probably slightly different !



The $E0$ transitions can also occur between $2+$, $4+$, $6+$... states

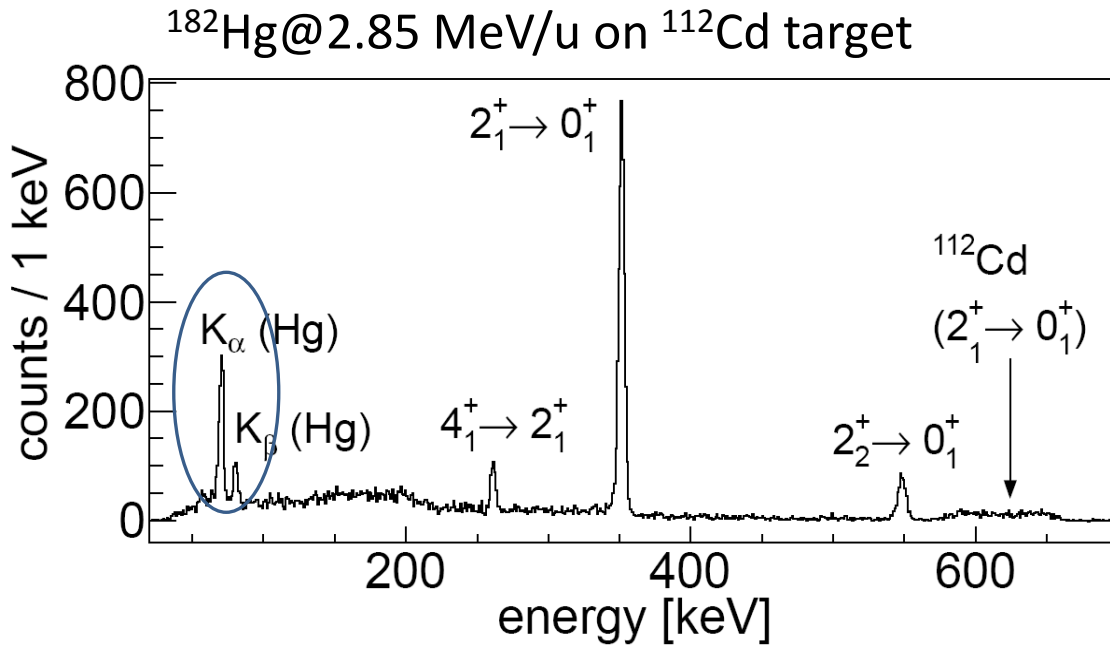
- less known / measured
- such information will soon become available → future Coulex + SPEDE experiments at HIE-ISOLDE.

Strongly converted transitions between lowest lying

$2+$ states in $^{182,184}\text{Hg}$

The E0 transitions in ^{82}Hg :

N. Bree, KU Leuven, PhD thesis



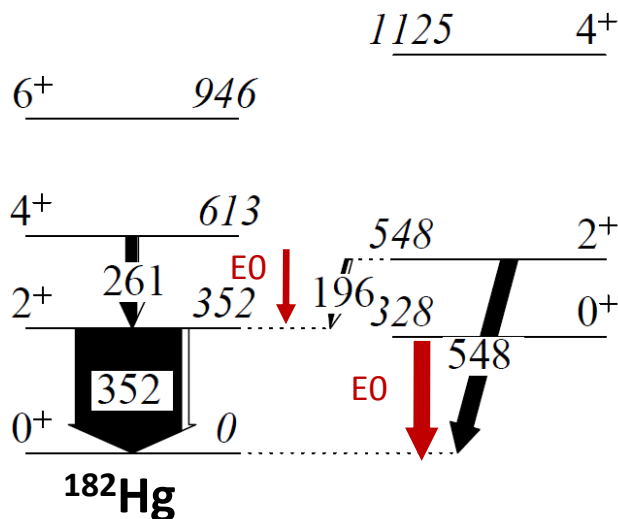
Conversion of E2/M1 γ 's
16%

Xrays

E0 transitions
 • $0_2^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+$
 • $2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+$ **71%**

Heavy-ion induced K vacancy creation due to atomic process when Hg passes through the target*
13%

*N. Bree, KWL, et al., NIM B 360 (2015) 97



- the K_α and K_β X rays originating from mercury:
 - ✓ in prompt coincidence with a particle
 - ✓ Doppler broadened

Complex information on the $E0$ transitions in $^{182,184}\text{Hg}$:

1. The analysis of the K X-ray peaks measured for $^{182,184}\text{Hg}$ revealed that the $2^+_2 \rightarrow 2^+_1$ transitions are **strongly converted**

↳ intensities of the $0^+_2 \rightarrow 0^+_1$ and $2^+_2 \rightarrow 2^+_1$ $E0$ transitions deduced

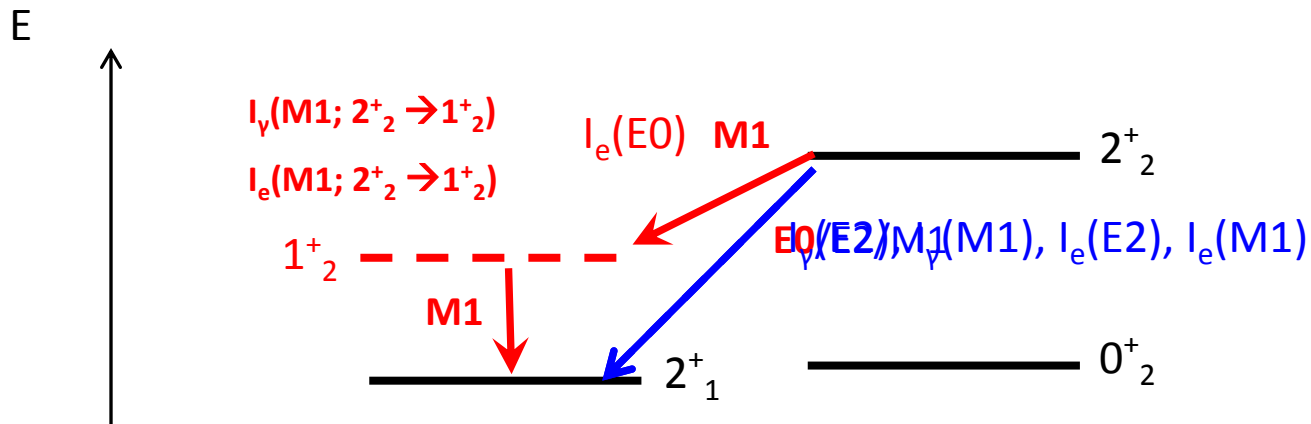
2. Moreover, **the total conversion coefficient $\alpha_{\text{tot}}(2^+_2 \rightarrow 2^+_1)$** measured in β/EC decay of $^{182,184}\text{Tl}$, was extracted for ^{182}Hg (**7.2 ± 1.3**) and ^{184}Hg (**14.2 ± 3.6**).

E. Rapisarda et al., J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 44, 074001 (2017).



Crucial for the Coulomb excitation analysis as they contain large $E0$ components which need to be taken into account !

$E0$ transition in the GOSIA analysis



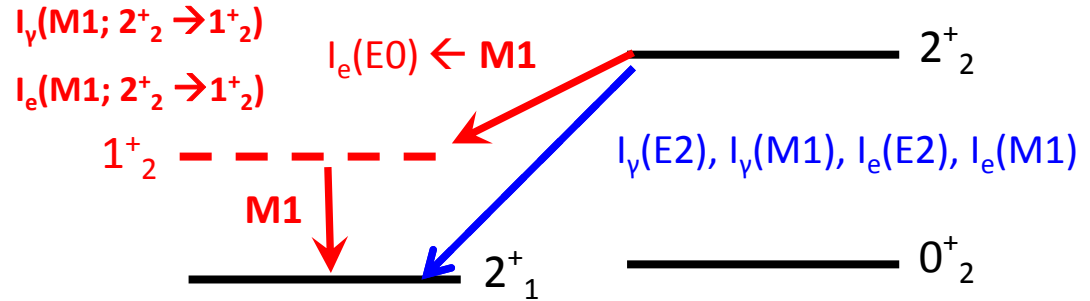
- ◆ declare a "virtual" state (e.g. 1^+) in the LEVE section in GOSIA;
- ◆ declare the $M1$ matrix elements connecting 1^+ states with the 2^+ states (NOTE \rightarrow the 1^+ state will not be populated in the excitation);
- ◆ the $2_2^+ \rightarrow 1^+$ branch simulates the $E0$ -decay of the 2_2^+ state to the 2_1^+ while the $2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+$ branch describes the $I_\gamma(E2), I_\gamma(M1), I_e(E2), I_e(M1)$ decay paths.

The $E0$ components are represented in the GOSIA analysis by an $M1$ γ -ray decay.

The experimental intensity $I^{E0}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$, declared in GOSIA (tape3), needs to be corrected for internal conversion:

$$I^{E0,corr}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) = \frac{I^{E0}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)}{1 + \alpha(M1; 2_2^+ \rightarrow 1_2^+)}$$

- $\alpha_{tot}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$ **cannot be directly included** in the GOSIA analysis.



- $\alpha_{tot}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$ is represented in the GOSIA analysis by branching ratio which is interpreted as:

$$BR\left(\frac{2_2^+ \rightarrow 1_2^+}{2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+}\right) = \frac{I^{E0}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)}{I_\gamma^{E2+M1}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)} = \alpha_{tot}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) - \frac{I_e^{E2}}{I_\gamma^{E2} + I_\gamma^{M1}} - \frac{I_e^{M1}}{I_\gamma^{E2} + I_\gamma^{M1}}$$

- this ratio can be further expressed by the $\alpha_{tot}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) = \frac{I_e^{E0} + I_e^{E2} + I_e^{M1}}{I_\gamma^{E2} + I_\gamma^{M1}}$

$$BR\left(\frac{2_2^+ \rightarrow 1_2^+}{2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+}\right) = \alpha_{tot}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) - \frac{I_\gamma^{E2}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) \cdot \alpha(E2; 2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)}{I_\gamma^{E2+M1}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)} - \frac{I_\gamma^{M1}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) \cdot \alpha(M1; 2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)}{I_\gamma^{E2+M1}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)}$$

- correcting for the experimental intensity $I^{E0}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$ (\rightarrow see previous slide) and expressing $(I_\gamma^{E2/M1} / I_\gamma^{M1} + I_\gamma^{E2})$ term by $\delta(E2/M1)$:

$$BR\left(\frac{2_2^+ \rightarrow 1_2^+}{2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+}\right) = \left[\alpha_{tot}(2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) - \frac{\delta^2}{\delta^2 + 1} \cdot \alpha(E2; 2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) - \frac{1}{\delta^2 + 1} \cdot \alpha(M1; 2_2^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) \right] \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \alpha(M1; 2_2^+ \rightarrow 1_2^+)}$$

Future:

- Experimental information on the $E0$ transitions between non-zero spin states will be more and more available.
- Particularly future Coulomb excitation experiments at **HIE-ISOLDE** will benefit from the use of electron spectrometer **SPEDE** → a direct way of detecting the **$E0$ transitions**, which are of great importance for nuclei from the **light lead region**.



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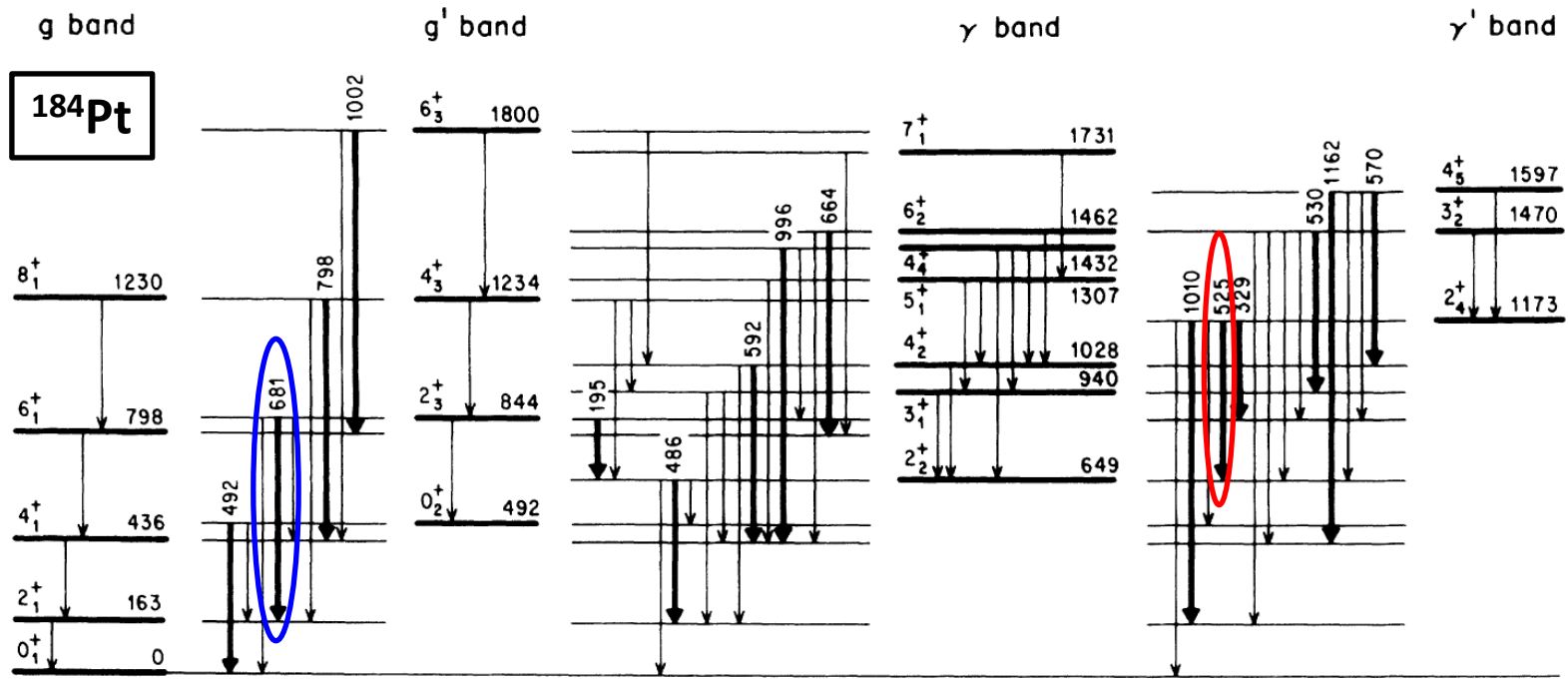


TABLE I. Low-lying $\Delta I = 0$ transitions in ^{184}Pt .

Assignment ^a		$E_\gamma(\text{keV})$	$\alpha_K(\text{expt.})$	Theory ^b		$\frac{\alpha_K(\text{expt.})}{\alpha_K(\text{M1, th.})}$	%E0	%M1	%E2
$I_i \rightarrow I_f$				$\alpha_K(\text{M1})$	$\alpha_K(\text{E2})$				
$0_2 \rightarrow 0_1$	$g' \rightarrow g$	492	> 5.3	0.071	0.019	> 75			
$2_2 \rightarrow 2_1$	$\gamma \rightarrow g$	486	0.051(5)	0.073	0.020	0.7(1)	0(1)	82(5)	18(4)
$2_3 \rightarrow 2_1$	$g' \rightarrow g$	681	0.30(3)	0.030	0.0095	10(1)	22(2)	32^{+21}_{-29}	46^{+21}_{-29}
$2_3 \rightarrow 2_2$	$g' \rightarrow \gamma$	195	0.9(3)	0.86	0.18	1.0(3)	< 15		
$2_4 \rightarrow 2_1$	$\gamma' \rightarrow g$	1010	0.012(4)	0.011	0.0044	1.1(4)	< 0.75		
$2_4 \rightarrow 2_2$	$\gamma' \rightarrow \gamma$	525	0.36(4)	0.060	0.017	6.0(7)	22(2)		
$2_4 \rightarrow 2_3$	$\gamma' \rightarrow g'$	329	0.19(5)	0.21	0.049	0.9(3)	< 12		

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- The $E0$ transitions may play an important role between non-yrast 2^+ , 4^+ ,... states populated in multistep Coulomb excitation → the use of indirect method to implement the $E0$ components becomes rather impossible then due to the complexity of the analysed level scheme.
- We may end up with a nice set of experimental Coulex data but not being able to analyze them or to obtain an unambiguous results !
- **Direct inclusion of the $E0$ decay into the GOSIA code is strongly needed.**

Summary:

1. The ***E0*** decay is currently **not directly included** into the GOSIA.
2. An indirect method is utilized:
 - the **fake 1^+** state is declared in addition to know level scheme and the *E0* decay is simulated via ***M1* transition**.
2. The choice of the excitation energy of the virtual 1^+ state is arbitrary. It was checked that changing this energy does not influence the final results.
3. The use of *M1* multipolarity to represent the *E0* decay paths is also an arbitrary choice, however, it **does not affect the excitation process**.
4. Other possibilities e.g., ***M2* transitions**, were also considered and no influence on the final solution was noted (for the Hg case).
5. Although the method seems to be rather „*straight forward*” in practice each case may require slightly different treatment depending on what kind of experimental data are known for the *E0* transitions ($I(E0)$, $E0/E2$, α_{tot}).
6. This method becomes unpractical when *E0* transitions occur between higher-lying, non-yrast 2^+ , 4^+ ,... states populated in multistep Coulex.
7. **Direct inclusion of the *E0* decay into the GOSIA code is currently a strong need !**