

Adopted Levels

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$S(p) = -1.9 \times 10^3$ 2; $Q(\alpha) = -11.6 \times 10^3$ 20 [2017Ho10](#)

The mass excess of ^{10}N is 38.1 MeV 2 ([2017Ho10](#)); see also $\Delta M = 38.8$ MeV 4 ([2017Wa10](#)).

The ^{10}N nucleus is particle unstable to proton decay. Early theoretical studies, often guided by comparisons with ^{10}Li , were focused on predictions of its ground state binding energy ([1974Ir04](#), [1982Ng01](#), [1984An18](#), [1997Ba54](#), [1997Po12](#), [2000Po32](#), [2009Ba41](#)). In ([1997Ao05](#), [2001Ao04](#)) a detailed comparison of measured ^{10}Li and predicted ^{10}N properties is given that suggests the low-lying ground state may be determined by an s -wave resonance in the $^9\text{C}+p$ system.

On the other hand, discussion in [2004Ti06](#) suggested the $E_{\text{rel}}(^9\text{C}+p) = 2.6$ MeV observed in the $^{10}\text{B}(^{14}\text{N}, ^{14}\text{B})^{10}\text{N}$ reaction was explained by large $L=2$ two-nucleon transfer amplitudes calculated for $^{10}\beta^+2p \rightarrow ^{12}\text{Ng.s.}$ and $^{12}\text{Ng.s.} \rightarrow ^{10}\text{N}(1^+)$, and that the observed state was the analog of the 0.24 MeV $J^\pi = 1^+$ state of ^{10}Li . The same view point is expressed in [2013Sh19](#). However, so far there is no experimental evidence in support of $J^\pi = 1^+$ for any ^{10}N states.

The near-threshold s -wave state in $^9\text{Li}+n$ (see ^{10}Li) implies a broad s -wave ground state about 1.8 MeV above the $^9\text{C}+p$ threshold in ^{10}N ; see calculations and discussion in ([2004Ti06](#), [2013Fo22](#), [2013Sh19](#)).

 ^{10}N LevelsCross Reference (XREF) Flags

A $^1\text{H}(^9\text{C}, p)$
B $^{10}\text{B}(^{14}\text{N}, ^{14}\text{B})$

$E(\text{level})^\dagger$	J^π	$T_{1/2}^\ddagger$	$E_{\text{rel.}}(^9\text{C}+p)$ (MeV)	XREF	Comments
0	(1 ⁻)	2.5 MeV +20-15	1.9 2	A	%p=100 T=2
0.9×10^3 3	(2 ⁻)	2.0 MeV +7-5	2.8 2	AB	%p=100 T=2

[†] E_{g.s.} from $E_{\text{res}}(^9\text{C}+p) = 1.9$ MeV 2. See alternate analysis described in $^1\text{H}(^9\text{C}, p)$.

[‡] $\Gamma_p \approx \Gamma$.