

¹⁷¹Ta ε decay 1974La24,1970Re11

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Parent: ¹⁷¹Ta: E=0.0; J^π=(5/2⁺); T_{1/2}=23.3 min 3; Q(ε)=3710 40; %ε+%β⁺ decay=100.0

1974La24, 1970Re11: sources from ¹⁶⁵Ho(¹²C,6n), E(¹²C)=80 MeV and ¹⁵⁹Tb(¹⁶O,4n), E(¹⁶O)=93 MeV; metallic Ho and Tb targets, chemical separation; measured Eγ, Iγ (Ge(Li), Si(Li)), γγ coin, γγ(t) 3-parameter coin. Incomplete transition data and unknown g.s. feeding (first-forbidden transition) prevent construction of complete decay scheme. See comment with 198.9γ concerning data from 1987Sz03.

Other: 1972Ch45.

The tentative decay scheme is based on that of 1974La24; however, the ¹⁷¹Ta parent configuration adopted here is 5/2⁺ 5/2[402], not 7/2[404] as proposed by 1974La24. The decay scheme has not been normalized because ε+β⁺ feeding to the g.s. is likely (ΔJ ≤ 1, Δπ=no) but its magnitude is unknown. The strongest branches feed (3/2⁻), (5/2⁻) and (7/2⁻) states (50, 142, 255, 506, 560 levels), as might be expected from a (5/2⁻) parent; however, significant branches also appear to feed (9/2⁻) and (11/2) states and, although considerable Iγ remains unplaced, it does not appear adequate to explain all such feeding. Many of those J^π assignments are very tentative and may in fact be incorrect. Note that, even in the absence of g.s. feeding, log ft would exceed 5.9 for the strongest branches to excited states.

¹⁷¹Hf Levels

E(level) [†]	J ^π [‡]	T _{1/2}	Comments
0.0 [#]	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	12.1 h 4	T _{1/2} : from Adopted Levels. Additional information 1.
21.94 [@] 9	1/2 ⁽⁻⁾	29.5 s 9	T _{1/2} : from Adopted Levels.
49.52 ^{&} 7	(5/2 ⁻)		I(γ+ce) imbalance At level: 56 16.
61.86 [#] 6	(9/2 ⁺)		
88.69 [@] 9	(3/2 ⁻)		
102.55 [@] 8	(5/2 ⁻)		
141.62 ^{&} 9	(7/2 ⁻)		I(γ+ce) imbalance At level: 38 8.
146.02 [#] 11	(11/2 ⁺)		
254.90 [@] 9	(7/2 ⁻)		I(γ+ce) imbalance At level: 25 4.
258.67 ^{&} 8	(9/2 ⁻)		
278.01 [@] 9	(9/2 ⁻)		
399.14 ^{&} 11	(11/2 ⁻)		
492.57 ^b 9	(5/2 ⁺)		
493.97 ^c 10	(5/2 ⁻)		
506.22 ^d 7	(7/2 ⁻)		I(γ+ce) imbalance At level: 44 6. Additional information 2.
508.67 [@] 11	(11/2 ⁻)		
537.38 [@] 11	(13/2 ⁻)		
554.53 ^b 8	(7/2 ⁺)		I(γ+ce) imbalance At level: 20.1 17.
560.00 ^a 10	(3/2 ⁻)		I(γ+ce) imbalance At level: 25.8 18.
565.02 ^c 14	(7/2 ⁻)		
592.39 ^d 11	(9/2 ⁻)		
624.85 ^a 10	(5/2 ⁻)		I(γ+ce) imbalance At level: 20.0 14.
709.85 ^a 11	(7/2 ⁻)		
767.62 7			
788.98 7	(7/2,9/2 ⁺)		
832.51 ^a 14	(9/2 ⁻)		
899.14 9	(3/2,5/2,7/2)		
1001.35 8	(9/2 ⁻)		

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^{171}Ta ε decay **1974La24,1970Re11 (continued)** ^{171}Hf Levels (continued)

<u>E(level)[†]</u>	<u>Jπ[‡]</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1007.91 8	(7/2 ⁺ , 9/2 ⁻)	I(γ +ce) imbalance At level: 26.0 24.
1077.02 9		

[†] From least-squares fit to $E\gamma$, excluding the 607 γ and 622 γ from the 710 level, neither of which fits its placement well. The reduced χ^2 for the fit is then reduced from 3.8 to 2.3 (cf. Critical value of 1.8).

[‡] From Adopted Levels.

Band(A): 7/2[633] band.

@ Band(B): 1/2[521] band.

& Band(C): 5/2[512] band.

^a Band(D): 3/2[521]? band. Analogous to band known In isotope ^{169}Yb .

^b Band(E): 5/2[642]? band. Band known In isotope ^{169}Yb .

^c Band(F): 5/2[523]? band. Band known In isotope ^{169}Yb .

^d Band(G): 7/2[514]? band.

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E_γ †	I_γ ‡	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Mult.#	$\gamma(^{171}\text{Hf})$		$I_{(\gamma+ce)}$	Comments
							δ	α^b		
(14.1)		102.55	(5/2 ⁻)	88.69	(3/2 ⁻)				≥14	unobserved transition; existence ($I(\gamma+ce) \geq 14$ 6) suggested by intensity balance At 103 level. E_γ from level energy difference.
(21.91 12)		21.94	1/2 ⁽⁻⁾	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	[E3]			131 17	ce(L)/($\gamma+ce$)=0.704 20; ce(M)/($\gamma+ce$)=0.234 11; ce(N+)/($\gamma+ce$)=0.062 4 ce(N)/($\gamma+ce$)=0.056 3; ce(O)/($\gamma+ce$)=0.0064 4; ce(P)/($\gamma+ce$)=3.53×10 ⁻⁶ 18 E_γ : from level energy difference. $E_\gamma=22.2$ in 1974La24 . $I_{(\gamma+ce)}$: 131 17 from intensity balance At 22 level, assuming No $\varepsilon+\beta^+$ branch to this level ($\Delta J=(2)$, $\Delta\pi=(\text{yes})$ transition) and %IT=100 from 22 level.
49.6 1	100 10	49.52	(5/2 ⁻)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	(E1)			0.447	$\alpha(L)=0.347$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.0791$ 12; $\alpha(N+..)=0.0207$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.0182$ 3; $\alpha(O)=0.00243$ 4; $\alpha(P)=9.42 \times 10^{-5}$ 14
61.9 1	9.1 ^a 9	61.86	(9/2 ⁺)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	(M1+E2)	≈0.2		≈3.57	$\alpha(L) \approx 2.75$; $\alpha(M) \approx 0.640$; $\alpha(N+..) \approx 0.174$ $\alpha(N) \approx 0.1508$; $\alpha(O) \approx 0.0219$; $\alpha(P) \approx 0.001107$ δ : from intensity balance at 61.9 level (assuming no $\varepsilon+\beta^+$ feeding of level; $\log f^{1u}t > 8.5$ for % $\varepsilon+\beta^+ < 5$).
66.7 1	4.5 ^a 5	88.69	(3/2 ⁻)	21.94	1/2 ⁽⁻⁾	(M1+E2)			16 3	$\alpha(K)=6$ 5; $\alpha(L)=7$ 6; $\alpha(M)=1.9$ 15; $\alpha(N+..)=0.5$ 4
80.7 1	4.2 4	102.55	(5/2 ⁻)	21.94	1/2 ⁽⁻⁾	[E2]			8.35	$\alpha(N)=0.4$ 4; $\alpha(O)=0.06$ 5; $\alpha(P)=0.0005$ 4 $\alpha(K)=1.311$ 19; $\alpha(L)=5.35$ 9; $\alpha(M)=1.338$ 21; $\alpha(N+..)=0.349$ 6 $\alpha(N)=0.310$ 5; $\alpha(O)=0.0389$ 6; $\alpha(P)=9.63 \times 10^{-5}$ 14
84.3 1	1.60 16	146.02	(11/2 ⁺)	61.86	(9/2 ⁺)	M1+E2 [ⓐ]	-0.18 [ⓐ] +12-14		6.56	$\alpha(K)=5.3$ 3; $\alpha(L)=0.96$ 22; $\alpha(M)=0.22$ 6; $\alpha(N+..)=0.061$ 15 $\alpha(N)=0.052$ 13; $\alpha(O)=0.0078$ 16; $\alpha(P)=0.000454$ 25
92.2 1	10.9 ^a 11	141.62	(7/2 ⁻)	49.52	(5/2 ⁻)	(M1+E2) [ⓐ]			4.96 13	$\alpha(K)=2.7$ 16; $\alpha(L)=1.8$ 11; $\alpha(M)=0.4$ 3; $\alpha(N+..)=0.11$ 8 $\alpha(N)=0.10$ 7; $\alpha(O)=0.013$ 8; $\alpha(P)=0.00022$ 15
117.1 1	5.5 6	258.67	(9/2 ⁻)	141.62	(7/2 ⁻)	M1(+E2) [ⓐ]	-0.11 [ⓐ] +11-12		2.54 5	$\alpha(K)=2.11$ 7; $\alpha(L)=0.338$ 24;

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γ(¹⁷¹Hf) (continued)

<u>E_γ[†]</u>	<u>I_γ[‡]</u>	<u>E_i(level)</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>	<u>Mult.#</u>	<u>δ</u>	<u>α^b</u>	<u>Comments</u>
140.5 1	0.80 8	399.14	(11/2 ⁻)	258.67	(9/2 ⁻)	M1(+E2) [@]	-0.04 [@] 10	1.517 24	α(M)=0.077 7; α(N+..)=0.0211 16 α(N)=0.0182 15; α(O)=0.00277 17; α(P)=0.000179 6 α(K)=1.263 24; α(L)=0.197 5; α(M)=0.0445 13; α(N+..)=0.0123 4
152.4 1	5.8 6	254.90	(7/2 ⁻)	102.55	(5/2 ⁻)	[M1,E2]		0.97 24	α(N)=0.0106 3; α(O)=0.00162 4; α(P)=0.0001072 21 α(K)=0.7 4; α(L)=0.22 7; α(M)=0.054 19; α(N+..)=0.014 5
166.3 1	19.2 ^a 19	254.90	(7/2 ⁻)	88.69	(3/2 ⁻)	E2 [@]		0.540	α(N)=0.013 5; α(O)=0.0017 5; α(P)=5.E-5 4 α(K)=0.277 4; α(L)=0.200 3; α(M)=0.0494 7; α(N+..)=0.01298 19 α(N)=0.01148 17; α(O)=0.001488 22; α(P)=1.748×10 ⁻⁵ 25
175.5 1	16.0 16	278.01	(9/2 ⁻)	102.55	(5/2 ⁻)	E2 [@]		0.448	α(K)=0.240 4; α(L)=0.1588 23; α(M)=0.0391 6; α(N+..)=0.01030 15 α(N)=0.00910 13; α(O)=0.001184 17; α(P)=1.527×10 ⁻⁵ 22
^x 198.9 ^{&} 209.2 1	2.9 3	258.67	(9/2 ⁻)	49.52	(5/2 ⁻)	[E2]		0.247	α(K)=0.1476 21; α(L)=0.0762 11; α(M)=0.0187 3; α(N+..)=0.00493 7 α(N)=0.00434 7; α(O)=0.000573 8; α(P)=9.78×10 ⁻⁶ 14
^x 240.8 1 247.5 ^e	0.60 6	506.22	(7/2 ⁻)	258.67	(9/2 ⁻)				Seen in coincidence spectrum only (1974La24).
253.8 1	1.30 13	508.67	(11/2 ⁻)	254.90	(7/2 ⁻)	E2 [@]		0.1325	α(K)=0.0865 13; α(L)=0.0352 5; α(M)=0.00854 12; α(N+..)=0.00227 4 α(N)=0.00199 3; α(O)=0.000267 4; α(P)=5.98×10 ⁻⁶ 9
257.5 ^a 1	1.10 ^a 11	399.14	(11/2 ⁻)	141.62	(7/2 ⁻)	E2 [@]		0.1266	α(K)=0.0831 12; α(L)=0.0332 5; α(M)=0.00807 12; α(N+..)=0.00214 3 α(N)=0.00188 3; α(O)=0.000253 4; α(P)=5.76×10 ⁻⁶ 8
259.2 ^a 1	0.50 ^a 5	537.38	(13/2 ⁻)	278.01	(9/2 ⁻)	E2 [@]		0.1240	α(K)=0.0817 12; α(L)=0.0324 5; α(M)=0.00786 11; α(N+..)=0.00209 3 α(N)=0.00183 3; α(O)=0.000246 4; α(P)=5.67×10 ⁻⁶ 8
^x 267.1 ^a 1 ^x 281.7 ^a 1	0.50 ^a 5 0.70 ^a 7								Placed from 537.1 level by 1974La24 , but that 13/2 ⁻ to 7/2 ⁻ placement seems unlikely.
352.4 1 370.1 ^a 1	3.1 3 1.30 ^a 13	493.97 624.85	(5/2 ⁻) (5/2 ⁻)	141.62 254.90	(7/2 ⁻) (7/2 ⁻)				
^x 377.1 1 ^x 392.9 1	0.80 8								E _γ : from 1974La24 . E _γ compatible with placement from 899 level.
406.7 1	4.6 5	899.14	(3/2,5/2,7/2)	492.57	(5/2 ⁺)				

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γ(¹⁷¹Hf) (continued)

E_γ †	I_γ ‡	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Comments
409.1 ^e 1		554.53?	(7/2 ⁺)	146.02	(11/2 ⁺)	E _γ : from 1974La24 .
423.4 1	3.5 4	565.02	(7/2 ⁻)	141.62	(7/2 ⁻)	
432.1 ^a 1	1.20 ^a 12	709.85	(7/2 ⁻)	278.01	(9/2 ⁻)	
444.4 ^c 1	15.6 ^{ca} 16	493.97	(5/2 ⁻)	49.52	(5/2 ⁻)	
444.4 ^c 1	15.6 ^c 16	506.22	(7/2 ⁻)	61.86	(9/2 ⁺)	
446.5 ^a 1	3.4 ^a 3	592.39	(9/2 ⁻)	146.02	(11/2 ⁺)	
454.7 1	4.5 5	709.85	(7/2 ⁻)	254.90	(7/2 ⁻)	
457.5 ^a 1	1.90 ^a 19	560.00	(3/2 ⁻)	102.55	(5/2 ⁻)	
^x 461.6 ^a 1	2.0 ^a 2					
463.8 1		1001.35	(9/2 ⁻)	537.38	(13/2 ⁻)	
^x 467.4 1						E _γ : from 1974La24 .
471.3 1	9.0 9	560.00	(3/2 ⁻)	88.69	(3/2 ⁻)	
492.7 ^c 1	13.2 ^c 15	492.57	(5/2 ⁺)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	I _γ : deduced from total I _γ =14.7 15 for three placements and I _γ =1.5 2 for 1001.3-level placement. I _γ ≥4.6 16 is obtained for 492.6-level placement based on intensity balance at the 493 level.
492.7 ^c 1	13.2 ^c 15	554.53?	(7/2 ⁺)	61.86	(9/2 ⁺)	
492.7 ^d 1	1.5 ^d 2	1001.35	(9/2 ⁻)	508.67	(11/2 ⁻)	I _γ : deduced from intensity balance at (11/2 ⁻) 508.7 level (to which no significant ε+β ⁺ feeding is expected because ΔJ=3).
501.8 1	22.6 ^a 23	1007.91	(7/2 ⁺ ,9/2 ⁻)	506.22	(7/2 ⁻)	
506.4 1	54 5	506.22	(7/2 ⁻)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	
522.3 1	11.0 11	624.85	(5/2 ⁻)	102.55	(5/2 ⁻)	I _γ : evaluator assumes that the reported I _γ =1.0 was intended to be I _γ =11.0 (as in 1970Re11).
^x 526.2 1	1.70 17					
530.4 ^c 1	3.9 ^c 4	592.39	(9/2 ⁻)	61.86	(9/2 ⁺)	
530.4 ^c 1	3.9 ^c 4	788.98	(7/2,9/2 ⁺)	258.67	(9/2 ⁻)	
536.0 1	7.7 8	624.85	(5/2 ⁻)	88.69	(3/2 ⁻)	
538.0 1	14.9 15	560.00	(3/2 ⁻)	21.94	1/2 ⁽⁻⁾	
554.5 ^c 1	6.9 ^c 7	554.53?	(7/2 ⁺)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	
554.5 ^c 1	6.9 ^c 7	832.51?	(9/2 ⁻)	278.01	(9/2 ⁻)	
570.9 1	3.2 3	1077.02		506.22	(7/2 ⁻)	
^x 573.4 1	0.40 4					
606.8 1	3.9 4	709.85	(7/2 ⁻)	102.55	(5/2 ⁻)	
621.7 1	3.6 4	709.85	(7/2 ⁻)	88.69	(3/2 ⁻)	
^x 630.5 1	2.50 25					
665.0 1	2.50 25	767.62		102.55	(5/2 ⁻)	
^x 678.4 1	2.9 3					
^x 702.8 1	1.50 15					
718.2 1	2.30 23	767.62		49.52	(5/2 ⁻)	
723.3 1	2.50 25	1001.35	(9/2 ⁻)	278.01	(9/2 ⁻)	
727.1 1	4.1 4	788.98	(7/2,9/2 ⁺)	61.86	(9/2 ⁺)	
^x 731.6 1	1.50 15					
^x 736.9 1	1.30 13					
746.7 1	4.3 4	1001.35	(9/2 ⁻)	254.90	(7/2 ⁻)	

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γ(¹⁷¹Hf) (continued)

E_γ †	I_γ ‡	E_i (level)	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Comments
767.6 1	9.0 9	767.62		0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	
^x 782.3 1	2.10 21					
788.9 1	4.5 5	788.98	(7/2 ⁺ ,9/2 ⁺)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	
^x 796.7 1	3.3 3					Eγ compatible with placement from 899 level.
^x 802.3 1	3.3 3					
^x 836.8 1	1.80 18					
861.4 ^e 1	1.70 17	1007.91	(7/2 ⁺ ,9/2 ⁻)	146.02	(11/2 ⁺)	
^x 876.8 1	1.70 17					
899.0 1	1.60 16	899.14	(3/2,5/2,7/2)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	
^x 906.7 1	2.0 2					
^x 920.1 ^a 1	1.20 ^a 12					
957.8 ^e 1	1.80 18	1007.91	(7/2 ⁺ ,9/2 ⁻)	49.52	(5/2 ⁻)	
^x 987.1 1	8.6 9					
^x 997.0 1	3.1 3					
1001.3 1	2.7 3	1001.35	(9/2 ⁻)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	
1007.8 1	3.4 3	1007.91	(7/2 ⁺ ,9/2 ⁻)	0.0	7/2 ⁽⁺⁾	
1027.4 1	1.80 18	1077.02		49.52	(5/2 ⁻)	
^x 1087 1						E _γ : from 1972Ch45 ; assignment to ¹⁷¹ Ta decay is probable (T _{1/2} =23.4 min 17). E _γ : from 1974La24 . E _γ : from 1974La24 .
^x 1435.0 1						
^x 1527.0 1						

† From [1970Re11](#), except as noted.

‡ Photon intensity relative to I_γ(49.6γ)=100; from [1970Re11](#), except as noted.

From ce data (measured, but not quoted, by evaluators of [1974Ho38](#)), except where noted.

@ From Adopted Gammas.

& From [1987Sz03](#); attributed to ¹⁷¹Ta decay on basis of growth/decay and excitation function data (previously attributed to otherwise unknown 6.3-min ¹⁷¹Ta). E_γ and growth/decay data are also consistent with ¹⁶⁸Ta decay, but experimental conditions were inappropriate for production of ¹⁶⁸Ta and other gammas associated with that decay were not observed by [1987Sz03](#). Transition is intense relative to other ¹⁷¹Ta γ's, but [1987Sz03](#) do not discuss findings as they relate to present decay scheme.

^a From [1974La24](#). No uncertainties are indicated in [1974La24](#): however, the same authors, in [1970Re11](#), report ΔE=0.1 keV and ΔI_γ<10% for the many transitions reported in both [1970Re11](#) and [1974La24](#). The evaluator, therefore, assigns the same uncertainties to data reported in [1974La24](#) alone.

^b Total theoretical internal conversion coefficients, calculated using the BrIcc code ([2008Ki07](#)) with Frozen orbital approximation based on γ-ray energies, assigned multipolarities, and mixing ratios, unless otherwise specified.

^c Multiply placed with undivided intensity.

^d Multiply placed with intensity suitably divided.

^e Placement of transition in the level scheme is uncertain.

^x γ ray not placed in level scheme.

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Decay Scheme

Intensities: Relative I_γ

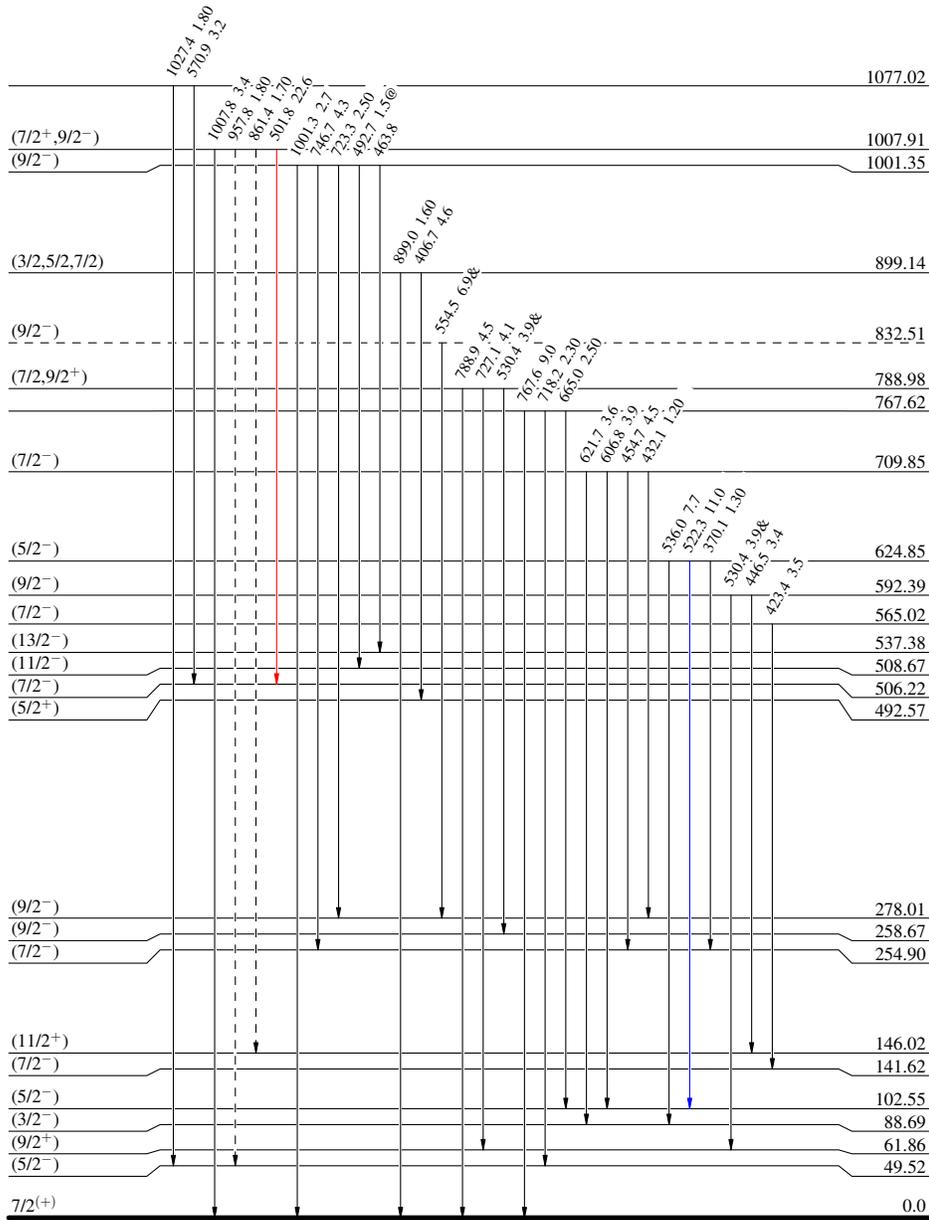
& Multiply placed: undivided intensity given

@ Multiply placed: intensity suitably divided

Legend

- $I_\gamma < 2\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
- $I_\gamma < 10\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
- $I_\gamma > 10\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
- - - - - γ Decay (Uncertain)

$\% \epsilon + \% \beta^+ = 100$ $\xrightarrow{(5/2^+) \quad 0.0}$ 23.3 min 3
 $Q_\epsilon = 3710.40$
 $^{171}_{73}\text{Ta}_{98}$



$^{171}_{72}\text{Hf}_{99}$

12.1 h 4

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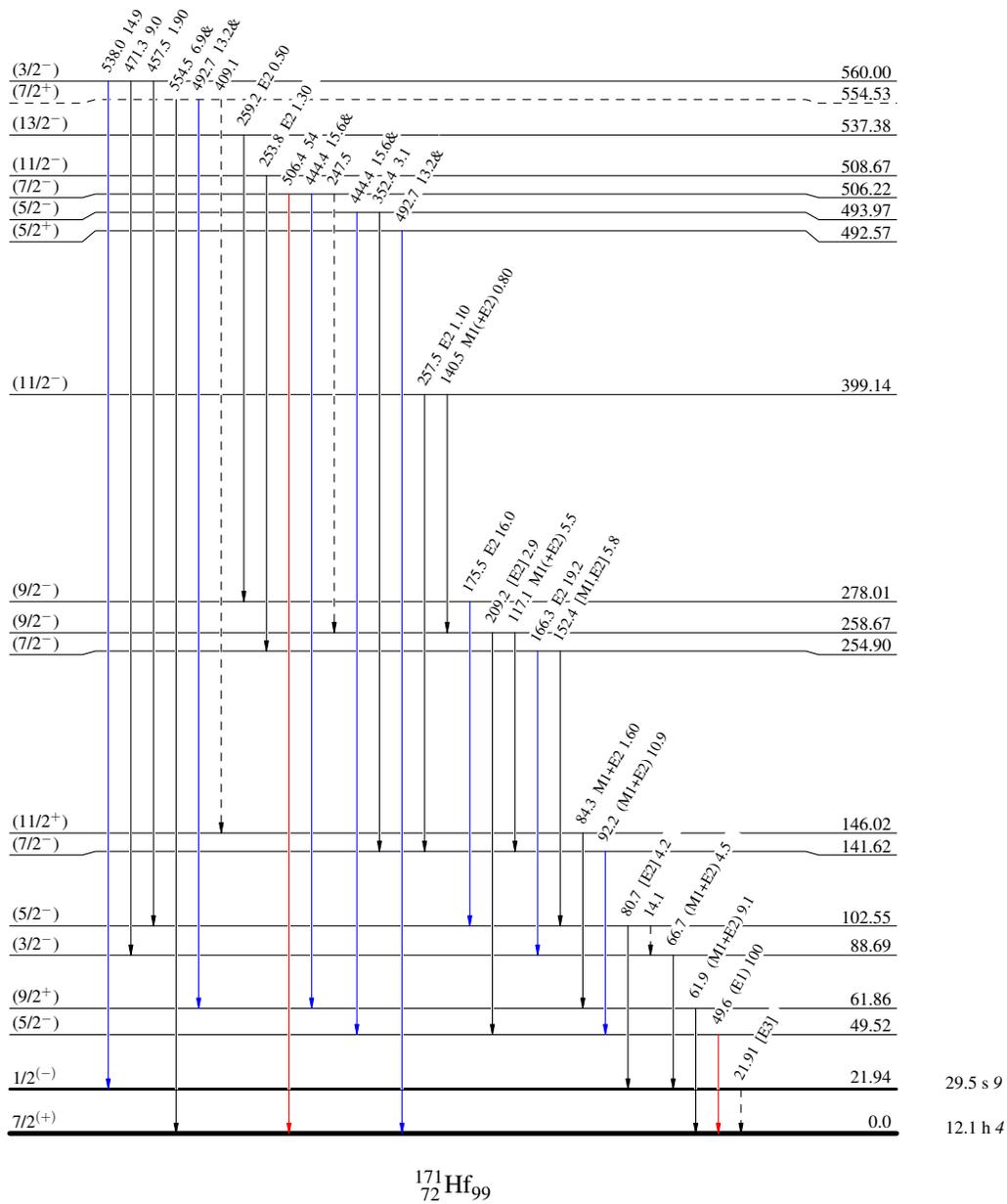
Decay Scheme (continued)

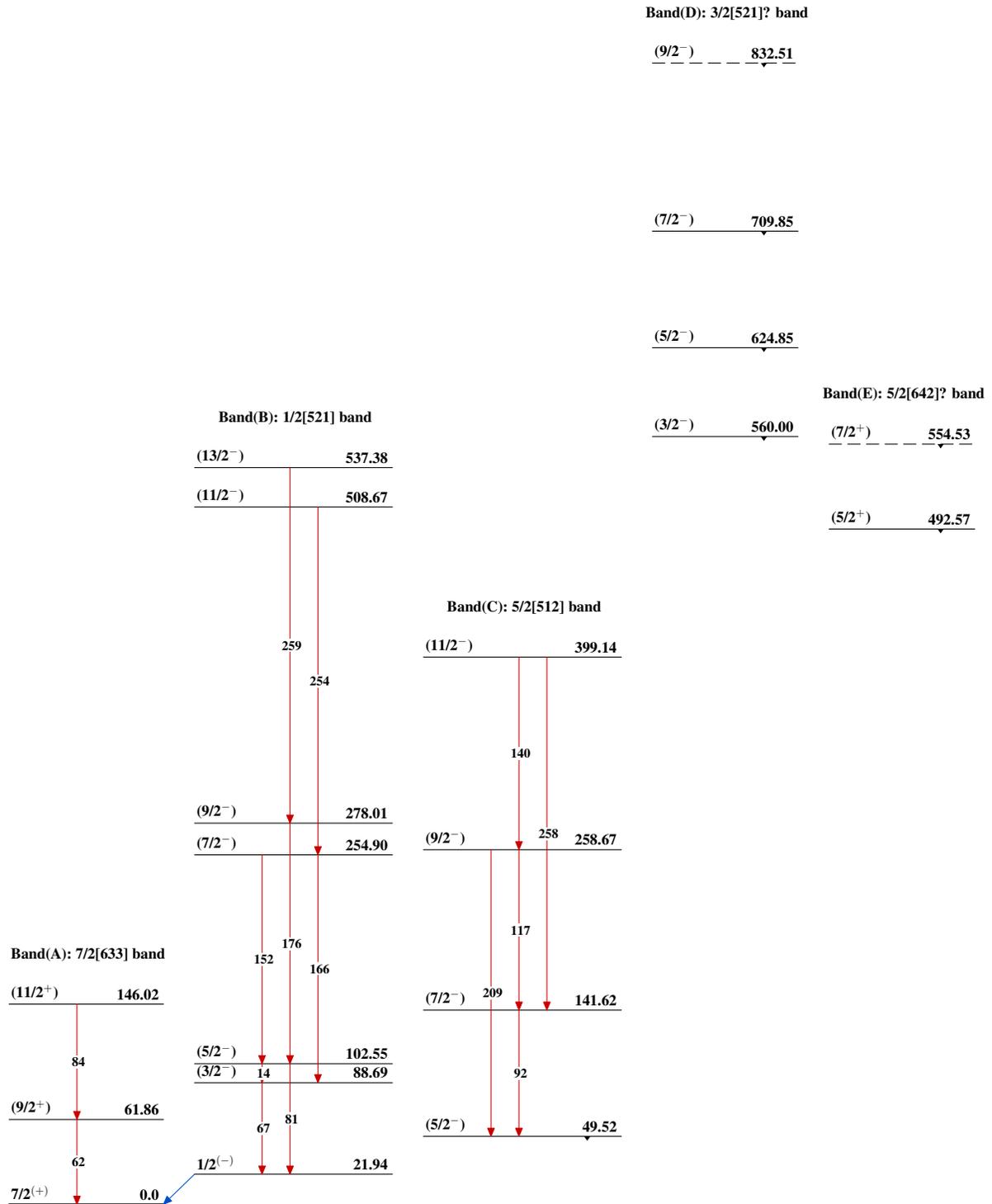
Legend

- $I_\gamma < 2\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
- $I_\gamma < 10\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
- $I_\gamma > 10\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
- - - - -→ γ Decay (Uncertain)

Intensities: Relative I_γ
 & Multiply placed: undivided intensity given
 @ Multiply placed: intensity suitably divided

$^{171}_{73}\text{Ta}_{98}$ (5/2⁺) 0.0 23.3 min 3
 $Q_\epsilon = 3710.40$
 $\% \epsilon + \% \beta^+ = 100$



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Band(G): 7/2[514]? band

(9/2⁻) 592.39

Band(F): 5/2[523]? band

(7/2⁻) 565.02

(7/2⁻) 506.22

(5/2⁻) 493.97

$^{171}_{72}\text{Hf}_{99}$