

$^9\text{Be}(^{19}\text{N}, ^{18}\text{C}\gamma)$ 2012Vo05

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The authors measured the lifetime of the first two excited states of ^{18}C .

Neutron rich ^{18}C ions were produced at the NSCL in a multistep process, first by fragmenting a 120 MeV/nucleon ^{22}Ne beam in a 1763 mg/cm 2 ^9Be target to produce a $\Delta p/p=0.7\%$ momentum analyzed 72 MeV/nucleon ^{19}N beam. The ^{19}N beam then impinged on a 196 mg/cm 2 ^9Be target where ^{18}C ions were produced in ground and excited states via 1-proton knockout reactions.

Transitions from the $J^\pi=2^+_{1,2}$ states are observed with a relative production ratio of 4: 1, respectively.

The lifetimes were determined using the recoil distance method (see for example 2008De30). A 2.01 g/cm 2 ^{181}Ta degrader foil was placed downstream of the 196 mg/cm 2 ^9Be reaction foil; γ -rays emitted before/after the degrader foil experience different Doppler shifts and the state lifetime can be deduced from the ratio ($v/c_i=0.3565$ and $v/c_f\approx 0.2920$). Reactions in the Ta degrader foil introduce a systematic error.

Finally, discussion indicates strong evidence that the inclusion of three-body forces is needed to describe the low-lying excited-state properties of this A=18 system.

 ^{18}C Levels

E(level)	J^π	$T_{1/2}$	Comments
0	0^+		
1585 19	2^+	15.5 ps 25	The mean lifetime $\tau=22.4$ ps 9(stat) +33-22(syst) is deduced corresponding to $T_{1/2}=15.5$ ps 6(stat) +23-15(syst).
2517 22	(2^+)	<3.2 ps	The mean lifetime $\tau<4.6$ ps is deduced corresponding to $T_{1/2}<3.2$ ps.

 $\gamma(^{18}\text{C})$

$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_γ	I_γ	E_f	J_f^π	Mult.	Comments
1585	2^+	1585 19		0	0^+	E2	B(E2)=0.000364 +15-14(stat) +40-47(syst).
2517	(2^+)	932 11 2517 30	86 12 14 12	1585	2^+ 0^+		

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Intensities: % photon branching from each level

