

${}^9\text{Be}({}^9\text{C}, {}^7\text{B})$ 2011Ch32

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The authors impinged a 70 MeV/A ${}^9\text{C}$ beam on a thick ${}^9\text{Be}$ target and detected ejected reaction products with a large area position sensitive ΔE -E array. Reconstruction of the complete kinematics permitted an analysis of excitation energies, decay pathways and associated branching ratios for several nuclei.

A beam of 150 MeV/nucleon ${}^{16}\text{O}$ ions was fragmented in a thick ${}^9\text{Be}$ target to produce a 70 MeV/nucleon ${}^9\text{C}$ beam in the NSCL A1900 fragment separator. The ${}^9\text{C}$ beam impinged on a 1mm thick ${}^9\text{Be}$ target and reaction products were detected in 14 position sensitive ΔE -E elements of the HiRA array. The coincident reaction products were analyzed via kinematic energy reconstruction to evaluate excitation energies and decay paths.

The ${}^7\text{B}_{\text{g.s.}}$ is observed in the $3\text{p}+\alpha$ decay spectrum, which is significantly contaminated by ${}^8\text{C}$ events ($4\text{p}+\alpha$) where one proton is not detected. The ${}^7\text{B}$ excitation energy spectrum is "corrected" for ${}^8\text{C}$ events and a broad background is also considered.

 ${}^7\text{B}$ Levels

E(level)	J^π	Γ	Comments
0	(3/2 ⁻)	801 keV 20	<p>T=(3/2) J^π: From Adopted Levels. A kinematic reconstruction of $\alpha+3\text{p}$ events indicates a state at mass excess=27677 keV 25, which is ≈ 250 keV lower than the accepted value for ${}^7\text{B}_{\text{g.s.}}$ (27.94 MeV 10). A width of $\Gamma=800$ keV 20 was deduced, which compares with 1.4 MeV 2 from 1967Mc14. The decay path was evaluated to determine the fraction of ${}^7\text{B}_{\text{g.s.}} \rightarrow \text{p}+{}^6\text{Be}_{\text{g.s.}}$ decay events. Initial analysis indicated a $(54 \pm 6)\%$ probability for $\text{p}+{}^6\text{Be}_{\text{g.s.}}$ events in the data, though after correction for a broad background component a final ratio of ${}^7\text{B}_{\text{g.s.}} \rightarrow (81 \pm 10)\%$ $\text{p}+{}^6\text{Be}_{\text{g.s.}}$ is deduced. This appears consistent with a shell model spectroscopic factor prediction $S=0.688$. Discussion on the $\text{p}+{}^6\text{Be}^*(1.67 \text{ MeV}; J^\pi=2^+)$ decay branch is given. The $\text{p}+{}^6\text{Be}(2^+)$ configuration is expected to be 3 times larger than the $\text{p}+{}^6\text{Be}_{\text{g.s.}}(0^+)$ configuration in ${}^7\text{B}_{\text{g.s.}}$; however the $\text{p}+{}^6\text{Be}(2^+)$ channel is suppressed due to a smaller barrier penetration factor.</p>