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- Laboratory measurements
- Infrared spectroscopy
- Some projects



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Laboratory measurements

- -Wavelengths
- -Energy structure
- -Line structure (hfs IS)
- -Transition probabilities

2 000-50 000 cm⁻¹ 5μm – 2000 Å R ~10⁶

Wavelengths and energies

Partial energy level diagram of Zr II

Line structure

Isotopic shift in hafnium

Hyperfine structure

Transition probabilites

Combine relative line intensities with radiative lifetimes

branching fractions:

 $BF_{ik} = I_{ik} / \Sigma_k I$

Transition probabilities:

 $A_{ik} = Bf_{ik} / \tau_i$

Lifetimes

Ta III (Fivet et. al. J. Phys. B: At. Mol. Opt. Phys. 41, 2008, 015702)

Why IR?

Scattering $\propto \lambda^{-4}$

Look at dusty and dense areas like the center of the Galaxy.

The Sun looks red at sunset and sunrise, and the sky is blue.

Cool stars to find small planets

High red shifts

Adaptive optics works better

Ground configuration 3s² 3p

¹Based upon ¹²C. () indicates the mass number of the longest-lived isotope.

For the most precise values and uncertainties visit claaw.org and pml.nist.gov/data. NIST SP 966 (July 2019)

The Lanthanides competing configurations 4f, 5d, and 6s

Indium (Z=49) In I

Three electron system

Ground configuration: 5s² 5p

I = 9/2

Magnetic moment $5.54 \mu_N$

Giving rise to large hfs patterns

Two isotopes 113 In (4%) and

¹¹⁵In (96%). Isotopic shift in this line is 27 mK

Intercombination line $5s^2 6p {}^2P_{3/2} - 5s 5p^2 {}^4P_{5/2}$

29 levels derived from 73 spectral lines. Hfs constants A and B for 19 levels

Indium (Z=49) In II

Two electron system. Ground configuration $5s^2$

37 spectral lines used to determine hfs constants A and B for 21 levels.

Hafnium (Z=72) Hf II

Three electron system. Ground configuration 5d6s² Hafnium has six naturally occuring isotopes (two odd)

FTS spectra from 2000 – 50 000 cm⁻¹ (5000 – 200 nm) 10 000 spectra lines

133 levels ...

29159

29160

Wavenumber

29161

Aluminium (Z=13) Al I

Ground configuration 3s² 3p

Oscillator strengths for 12 lines in the NIR and optical spectral regions, with an accuracy between 2 and 11%

Branching fractions for an additional 16 lines

Silicon Z=14 Si I and Si II

Accepted by A&A

Zirconium (Z=40) Zr II (Poster Burheim et. al.)

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