

ISOMER RATIOS IN PHOTONUCLEAR REACTIONS WITH MULTIPLE NEUTRON EMISSION

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The aim of this work is studying of gamma-quanta energy dependence of isomeric ratios in $A(\gamma, xn)^{m,g}(A - xn)$ reactions in energy range 35...100 MeV, i.e. beyond Great Dipole Resonance (GDR) region. Experimental data were taken from international database EXFOR for a wide range of nuclear masses ($55 < A < 181$). Theoretical values of isomeric ratios were obtained using TALYS-1.8 code. Several models of level densities with both enabled and disabled pre-equilibrium mechanism were considered in our simulations. Obtained results let us to make conclusions about different mechanisms of photonuclear reactions on certain nuclei, energy dependence of their relative contribution.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Nuclear reactions with photons in the input channel have some advantages which are used for investigation of general physical dependencies and some special features of photonuclear reactions. First of all, gamma-quanta do not contribute large angular momentum to the nuclei, and excitation energy of nuclei does not include binding energy of the incident particle. Characteristics of photonuclear reactions are well studied in the energy region of giant dipole resonance and at energies higher than pion production threshold. Energies between GDR and threshold of pion production (30...100 MeV) are studied not so well from both experimental and theoretical point of view. It is related with small values of cross sections in this energy region, lack of gamma-quanta sources with fine energy regulation and some historical reasons [1].

There are two main models of nuclear reactions mechanisms: compound nucleus model and direct reaction model. The main idea of compound nuclei model is that energy of incident particle is uniformly distributed between all the nucleons, and nucleon emission is considered as evaporation process. This model is also called statistical model. There is another mechanism considering particle emission before statistical equilibrium is established. The nucleon can be knocked out with the incident particle; this process is called direct reaction. It is clear that increasing of number of interactions in the nucleus (increasing of reaction time) leads to reduction of the connection between input and output channels and increasing the contribution of statistical processes.

There are several program codes for nuclear reactions description. One of them is TALYS [1], which has open source. It can be used for evaluation of cross sections, isomeric ratios and other characteristics of nuclear reactions with neutrons, protons, photons, deuterons, 3H , 3He and α -particles in the input channel.

In the TALYS code modern model approaches for description of direct reactions, pre-equilibrium processes, reactions with compound nuclei production and fission processes are implemented. Reaction mechanisms are considered in wide ranges of incident particle energies ($10^{-11} MeV < E < 1000 GeV$) and target nuclei masses ($5 < A < 339$). An important advantage of TALYS code is automatic use of model parameters and estimated nuclear data from RIPL-3 [2] library[4].

TALYS provides 6 model approaches (LD1-LD6) for level density evaluation: 3 phenomenological models and 3 level density sets derived from microscopic models.

LD1: Constant temperature + Fermi gas model. In this model introduced by Gilbert and Cameron [3], the excitation energy range is divided into a low energy part from E_0 up to a matching energy E_M , where the so-called constant temperature law applies and a high energy part above, where the Fermi gas model applies. Hence, for the total level density we have

$$\begin{aligned}\rho^{tot}(E_x) &= \rho_F^{tot}(E_x), & \text{if } E_x > E_M, \\ \rho^{tot}(E_x) &= \rho_T^{tot}(E_x), & \text{if } E_x < E_M.\end{aligned}$$

LD2: Back-shifted Fermi gas model In the Back-

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shifted Fermi gas Model (BFM) [4], the pairing energy is treated as an adjustable parameter and the Fermi gas expression is used all the way down to E_0 .

LD3: Generalised superfluid model (GSM). Model takes superconductive pairing correlations into account according to the Bardeen-Cooper-Schrieffer theory. The phenomenological version of the model [7, 8] is characterized by a phase transition from a superfluid behavior at low energy, where pairing correlations strongly influence the level density, to a high energy region which is described by the Fermi gas model. The GSM thus resembles the constant temperature model to the extent that it distinguishes between a low energy and a high energy region, although for the GSM this distinction follows naturally from the theory and does not depend on specific discrete levels that determine a matching energy. Instead, the model automatically provides a constant temperature-like behavior at low energies.

LD4: Microscopic level densities (Skyrme force) from Goriely's tables Using this model allows to read tables of microscopic level densities from RIPL database. These table were computed by *S. Goriely* on the basis of Hartree-Fock calculations for excitation energies up to $150 MeV$ and for spin values up to $I = 30$.

LD5: Microscopic level densities (Skyrme force) from Hilaire's combinatorial tables The combinatorial model includes a detailed microscopic calculation of the intrinsic state density and collective enhancement. The only phenomenological aspect of the model is a simple damping function for the transition from spherical to deformed.

LD6: Microscopic level densities (temperature dependent HFB, Gogny force) from Hilaire's combinatorial tables.

We consider reactions both with enabled and disabled pre-equilibrium mechanism. Pre-equilibrium mechanism of nuclear reactions is an intermediate type between direct reaction and reaction via compound nuclei. Pre-equilibrium emission takes place after the first stage of the reaction but long before statistical equilibrium of the compound nucleus is attained. The pre-equilibrium contribution becomes only sizable for incident energies several MeV higher than the excitation energy of the last discrete level of the target nucleus.

2. EXPERIMENTAL METHOD

The product nuclei of photonuclear reaction can be both in ground and metastable (also called isomeric) state. Photonuclear reaction is characterized with isomeric ratio. In case of monochromatic incident particles flow the isomeric ratio can be determined as cross sections ratio $\sigma_m(E)/\sigma_g(E)$, where $\sigma_{g(m)}(E)$ is the ground (isomeric) nuclei state production cross section. Also isomeric ratio can be defined as $\sigma_H(E)/\sigma_L(E)$, i.e. the ratio between cross sections of states with high and low spin.

If the incident particles spectrum is substantially different from monoenergetic (especially in experi-

ments with bremsstrahlung γ -quants) the isomeric ratio of yields is used:

$$d(E_{max}) = \frac{Y_m}{Y_g}, \quad (1)$$

where $Y_{g(m)}$ is the ground (isomeric) state yield for the maximum bremsstrahlung energy E_{max} .

The reaction yield is determined as

$$Y_{m,g} = N_t \int_{E_{th}^{m,g}}^{E_{max}} \sigma_{m,g}(E) W(E, E_{max}) dE, \quad (2)$$

where:

N_t is the number of target nuclei;

E_{max} – maximum energy of incident particles;

$\sigma_{m,g}(E)$ – ground (isomeric) nuclei state production cross section;

$W(E, E_{max})$ – energy spectrum of incident particles;

$E_{th}^{m,g}$ – threshold energy of ground (isomeric) state nuclei production.

Energy spectrum depends on γ -quantum production cross section. It is clear, because $W(E_\gamma, E_{max})$ is energy distribution of particles:

$$W(E_\gamma, E_{max}) = \frac{dN}{dE}, \quad (3)$$

where N is the number of γ -quanta emitted from bremsstrahlung target. The number of γ -quanta emitted from bremsstrahlung target into solid angle $d\Omega$ is

$$dN = N_0 \frac{n}{S} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} d\Omega, \quad (4)$$

where:

N_0 is the number of electrons interacting with bremsstrahlung target;

n – number of bremsstrahlung target nuclei with cross section S .

The expression for the flux of γ -quanta with energies in the range $(E_\gamma \dots E_\gamma + dE_\gamma)$ emitted into the solid angle $d\Omega$ can be written in the following form:

$$dW(E_\gamma, E_{max}) = N_0 \frac{n}{S} \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE_\gamma} d\Omega. \quad (5)$$

Integrating (5) over the solid angle we have

$$W(E_\gamma, E_{max}) = \int_{\Omega} N_0 \frac{n}{S} \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE_\gamma} d\Omega. \quad (6)$$

Assuming the target to be thin (twice thinner than radiation length of material [7]), we use the bremsstrahlung energy spectrum calculated in work [8]. The cross section of bremsstrahlung γ -quanta production is called Shiff spectrum [9]:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{4Z^2}{137} r_0^2 \left(\frac{E_0}{mc^2} \right)^2 \frac{dE_\gamma}{E_\gamma} \times \left[\frac{E_0^2 + E^2}{E_0^2} \ln M(0) - \frac{(E_0 + E)^2}{E_0^2} \right], \quad (7)$$

where:

E is the total energy of the scattered electron;

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Z – atom number of target material;
 r_0 – classical electron radius;

$$\frac{1}{M(0)} = \left(\frac{mc^2 E_\gamma}{2E_0 E} \right)^2 + \frac{Z^{2/3}}{111^2}.$$

In Schiff's approximation $d^2\sigma/d\Omega dE_\gamma$ is assumed not to have angle dependence, and γ -quanta emission is limited with solid angle Ω_0 . Then energy spectrum $W(E_\gamma, E_{max})$ is proportional to $d^2\sigma/d\Omega dE_\gamma$ with proportional coefficient $N_0(n/s)\Omega_0$.

Considering (3)-(6) we obtain the expression for isomeric ratio:

$$D(E_{max}) = \frac{Y_H}{Y_L} = \frac{\int_{E_{th}^H}^{E_{max}} \sigma_H(E_\gamma) \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE_\gamma} dE_\gamma}{\int_{E_{th}^L}^{E_{max}} \sigma_L(E_\gamma) \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE_\gamma} dE_\gamma}. \quad (8)$$

Published data of isomeric ratios is represented in a variety of forms: Y_m/Y_g , $Y_m/(Y_g + Y_m)$, Y_H/Y_L , σ_m/σ_g , $\sigma_m/(\sigma_g + \sigma_m)$, σ_H/σ_L . To simplify comparison isomeric ratios of different authors are recalculated and represented in Table in Y_H/Y_L form. In the first column of Table there is a photonuclear reaction, its threshold (E_{th}), spin and parity of target, ground and isomeric nuclei (t , g and m respectively). In the second column there is maximum energy of bremsstrahlung photons. In the third column there is an experimental value of isomeric ratio $D = Y_H/Y_L$. The fourth column contains reference to the experimental data represented in the third column; in the 5-th and 6-th column there are theoretically predicted values of isomeric ratio separated with slashes (from 1-st (LD1) to 6-th (LD6) level density model, both with enabled and disabled pre-equilibrium mechanism).

Comparison isomeric ratios of different authors

Reaction	E_{max} , MeV	D	Ref.	Theoretical value of D	
				disabled pre-equilibrium	enabled pre-equilibrium
$^{55}\text{Mn}(\gamma, 3n)^{52}\text{Mn}$ $E_{th} = 31.2 \text{ MeV}$ t: $5/2^-$ g: 6^+ m: 2^+	49	0.41 ± 0.02	[10]	0.45/0.50/0.50/0.55/0.56/0.64	0.48/0.53/0.53/0.59/0.59/0.67
	100	0.77 ± 0.06	[11]	0.46/0.53/0.53/0.60/0.64/0.73	0.58/0.65/0.64/0.74/0.75/0.83
$^{88}\text{Sr}(\gamma, 3n)^{85}\text{Sr}$ $E_{th} = 31.3 \text{ MeV}$ t: 0^+ g: $9/2^+$ m: $1/2^-$	65	1.83 ± 0.22	[12]	1.76/1.89/1.91/2.38/2.41/2.06	2.10/2.22/2.16/2.75/2.76/2.32
$^{89}\text{Y}(\gamma, 3n)^{86}\text{Y}$ $E_{th} = 32.6 \text{ MeV}$ t: $1/2^-$ g: 4^- m: 8^+	45	0.199 ± 0.026	[13]	0.04/0.05/0.05/0.06/0.06/0.08	0.05/0.06/0.05/0.08/0.08/0.10
	55	0.235 ± 0.014		0.06/0.07/0.07/0.09/0.10/0.13	0.09/0.01/0.09/0.13/0.13/0.17
	50	0.22 ± 0.04	[14]	0.06/0.06/0.06/0.08/0.08/0.11	0.08/0.08/0.08/0.11/0.11/0.14
	60	0.25 ± 0.03		0.06/0.07/0.07/0.10/0.11/0.15	0.10/0.11/0.10/0.14/0.15/0.19
	70	0.26 ± 0.03		0.06/0.07/0.07/0.10/0.11/0.16	0.12/0.13/0.12/0.16/0.17/0.22
$^{94}\text{Mo}(\gamma, 3n)^{91}\text{Mo}$ $E_{th} = 30.4 \text{ MeV}$ t: 0^+ g: $9/2^+$ m: $1/2^-$	70	0.62 ± 0.06	[15]	2.00/2.17/2.22/2.54/2.30/3.15	2.48/2.65/2.60/3.05/2.76/3.67
$^{107}\text{Ag}(\gamma, 3n)^{104}\text{Ag}$ $E_{th} = 27.5 \text{ MeV}$ t: $1/2^-$ g: 5^+ m: 2^+	33	0.88 ± 0.14	[16]	0.34/0.35/0.35/0.42/0.47/0.37	0.35/0.36/0.35/0.43/0.49/0.38
	34.5	1.04 ± 0.1	[17]	0.38/0.40/0.40/0.49/0.55/0.43	0.39/0.41/0.41/0.50/0.57/0.44
	36.5	1.26 ± 0.05		0.43/0.45/0.45/0.57/0.64/0.49	0.45/0.47/0.47/0.59/0.67/0.51
	38.5	1.39 ± 0.08		0.47/0.50/0.50/0.64/0.72/0.54	0.49/0.52/0.52/0.67/0.76/0.57
	50	2.33 ± 0.22	[20]	0.57/0.63/0.64/0.86/0.97/0.70	0.68/0.73/0.72/0.99/1.11/0.81

Reaction	E_{max} , MeV	D	Ref.	Theoretical value of D	
				disabled pre-equilibrium	enabled pre-equilibrium
$^{113}In(\gamma, 3n)^{110}In$ $E_{th} = 27.1 MeV$ t: $9/2^+$ g: 7^+ m: 2^+	32	0.31 ± 0.07	[17]	0.41/0.44/0.43/0.43/0.52/0.47	0.42/0.44/0.43/0.43/0.52/0.48
	34	0.44 ± 0.07	[18]	0.41/0.44/0.43/0.44/0.55/0.51	0.42/0.44/0.43/0.44/0.55/0.51
	36	0.62 ± 0.06		0.42/0.45/0.44/0.46/0.58/0.54	0.43/0.45/0.44/0.46/0.58/0.54
	38.5	0.54 ± 0.04		0.43/0.47/0.46/0.49/0.61/0.57	0.44/0.47/0.46/0.49/0.61/0.57
	41.5	0.52 ± 0.05		0.46/0.49/0.48/0.52/0.64/0.60	0.46/0.49/0.48/0.52/0.65/0.60
	43	0.75 ± 0.03	[21]	0.46/0.50/0.49/0.54/0.66/0.61	0.47/0.50/0.49/0.54/0.66/0.61
$^{121}Sb(\gamma, 3n)^{118}Sb$ $E_{th} = 25.8 MeV$ t: $5/2^+$ g: 1^+ m: 8^-	38	0.14 ± 0.04	[22]	0.05/0.06/0.05/0.07/0.08/0.09	0.06/0.07/0.06/0.08/0.09/0.10
	43	0.15 ± 0.01		0.07/0.07/0.07/0.09/0.11/0.12	0.08/0.09/0.08/0.11/0.13/0.14
$^{140}Ce(\gamma, 3n)^{137}Ce$ $E_{th} = 26.4 MeV$ t: 0^+ g: $3/2^+$ m: $11/2^-$	30	0.09 ± 0.01	[23]	0.09/0.10/0.09/0.11/0.11/0.08	0.10/0.10/0.09/0.11/0.11/0.09
	70	0.9 ± 1.0	[15]	00.50/0.56/0.52/0.71/0.80/0.75	0.73/0.80/0.70/0.98/1.08/1.01
$^{144}Nd(\gamma, 3n)^{141}Nd$ $E_{th} = 23.7 MeV$ t: 0^+ g: $3/2^+$ m: $11/2^-$	70	0.55 ± 0.08	[15]	0.57/0.57/0.55/0.65/0.68/0.74	0.79/0.79/0.70/0.88/0.93/0.98
$^{165}Ho(\gamma, 3n)^{162}Ho$ $E_{th} = 23.1 MeV$ t: $7/2^-$ g: 1^+ m: 6^-	45	0.587 ± 0.041	[24]	0.69/0.71/0.68/0.60/1.07/0.77	0.76/0.77/0.73/0.67/1.17/0.85
	50	0.624 ± 0.044		0.67/0.71/0.68/0.60/1.07/0.77	0.78/0.79/0.75/0.69/1.20/0.88
	55	0.652 ± 0.045		0.69/0.71/0.68/0.61/1.07/0.78	0.80/0.81/0.76/0.71/1.23/0.89
	60	0.637 ± 0.045		0.69/0.71/0.68/0.60/1.07/0.77	0.81/0.81/0.76/0.71/1.23/0.89
	65	0.668 ± 0.046		0.69/0.71/0.68/0.61/1.07/0.77	0.82/0.83/0.78/0.72/1.26/0.92
	43	1.79 ± 0.04	[21]	0.69/0.70/0.67/0.60/1.06/0.77	0.75/0.76/0.72/0.66/1.15/0.85
$^{181}Ta(\gamma, 3n)^{178}Ta$ $E_{th} = 22.1 MeV$ t: $7/2^-$ g: 1^+ m: 7^-	32	3.0 ± 0.6	[25]	0.93/0.91/0.92/0.89/0.69/0.87	0.92/0.9/0.91/0.87/0.68/0.86
	55	1.96 ± 0.36	[26]	0.80/0.75/0.77/0.73/0.54/0.71	0.70/0.68/0.7/0.64/0.48/0.63
$^{89}Y(\gamma, 4n)^{85}Y$ $E_{th} = 42.2 MeV$ t: $1/2^-$ g: $1/2^-$ m: $9/2^+$	60	0.76 ± 0.08	[27]	1.77/1.86/1.90/2.49/3.76/3.36	1.84/1.92/1.96/2.57/3.83/3.43
	70	0.85 ± 0.09		1.96/2.09/2.16/2.91/4.60/4.09	2.13/2.24/2.30/3.11/4.80/4.27
$^{93}Nb(\gamma, 4n)^{89}Nb$ $E_{th} = 38.8 MeV$ t: $9/2^+$ g: $9/2^+$ m: $1/2^-$	45	4.09 ± 0.99	[28]	7.47/7.85/7.66/8.23/7.92/6.73	7.45/7.83/7.65/8.19/7.90/6.69
	50	5.17 ± 0.69		7.91/8.30/8.18/8.98/8.87/8.08	7.86/8.24/8.14/8.87/8.84/7.94
	55	5.96 ± 0.6		8.15/8.56/8.47/9.40/9.76/9.13	8.08/8.47/8.40/9.23/9.70/8.88
	60	6.6 ± 0.9		8.24/8.65/8.58/9.57/10.4/9.73	8.17/8.55/8.5/9.38/10.33/9.42
	70	7.67 ± 0.52		8.30/8.72/8.67/9.61/11.1/10.2	8.26/8.62/8.58/9.43/11.0/9.82
	60	6.6 ± 0.9	[29]	8.24/8.65/8.58/9.57/10.4/9.73	8.17/8.55/8.5/9.38/10.33/9.42
$^{103}Rh(\gamma, 4n)^{99}Rh$ $E_{th} = 34.7 MeV$ t: $1/2^-$ g: $1/2^-$ m: $9/2^+$	65	1.43 ± 0.2	[30]	1.54/1.66/1.76/2.32/2.18/1.88	1.73/1.83/1.93/2.54/2.37/2.04

Reaction	E_{max} , <i>MeV</i>	D	Ref.	Theoretical value of D	
				disabled pre-equilibrium	enabled pre-equilibrium
$^{109}Ag(\gamma, 5n)^{104}Ag$ $E_{th} = 44 MeV$ t: $1/2^-$ g: 5^+ m: 2^+	84	1.88 ± 0.08	[19]	1.32/1.46/1.46/2.00/2.22/1.68	1.65/1.77/1.72/2.38/2.64/2.01
$^{115}In(\gamma, 5n)^{110}In$ $E_{th} = 43.4 MeV$ t: $9/2^+$ g: 7^+ m: 2^+	56	0.4 ± 0.04	[19]	0.61/0.65/0.63/0.69/0.82/0.77	0.61/0.65/0.63/0.69/0.82/0.77
	75	0.67 ± 0.13		0.71/0.75/0.73/0.83/0.96/0.88	0.72/0.75/0.73/0.82/0.94/0.87
	79	0.83 ± 0.08		0.71/0.75/0.74/0.83/0.96/0.88	0.72/0.75/0.74/0.83/0.95/0.88
	84	1.02 ± 0.02		0.71/0.75/0.74/0.84/0.97/0.89	0.73/0.76/0.74/0.83/0.95/0.89
$^{121}Sb(\gamma, 5n)^{116}Sb$ $E_{th} = 43.1 MeV$ t: $5/2^+$ g: 3^+ m: 8^-	53	0.14 ± 0.01	[22]	0.13/0.14/0.13/0.18/0.23/0.11	0.15/0.14/0.14/0.18/0.24/0.11
$^{115}In(\gamma, 7n)^{108}In$ $E_{th} = 61.9 MeV$ t: $9/2^+$ g: 7^+ m: 2^+	84	0.9 ± 0.25	[19]	1.53/1.61/1.58/1.65/2.00/1.72	1.54/1.61/1.58/1.65/2.00/1.71

On Figs.1-18 we presented theoretical values of isomeric ratios (solid line corresponds to disabled pre-equilibrium mechanism, dotted line - to enabled) and experimental data (black triangles and red squares). We can see that close to the threshold, theoretical values of isomeric ratios calculated with and without taking into account pre-equilibrium processes are very close that means that near the threshold statistical processes dominate. Generally, at energies far from threshold, enabled pre-equilibrium mechanism gives results which better agree with experimental data (except of $^{88}Sr(\gamma, 3n)^{85}Sr$, $^{89}Y(\gamma, 4n)^{85}Y$, $^{103}Rh(\gamma, 4n)^{99}Rh$, $^{144}Nd(\gamma, 3n)^{141}Nd$).

For some reactions we observe a good agreement between theoretical and experimental data:

→ $^{55}Mn(\gamma, 3n)^{52}Mn$ is well described with 1-st level density model at 49 MeV and with 4-th, 5-th and 6-th level density models at 100 MeV;

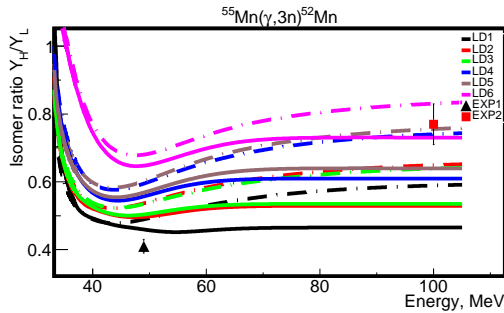


Fig.1. $^{55}Mn(\gamma, 3n)^{52}Mn$. EXP1 [10], EXP2 [11]

→ $^{88}Sr(\gamma, 3n)^{85}Sr$ is well-described with LD1, LD2, LD3 without pre-equilibrium mechanism;

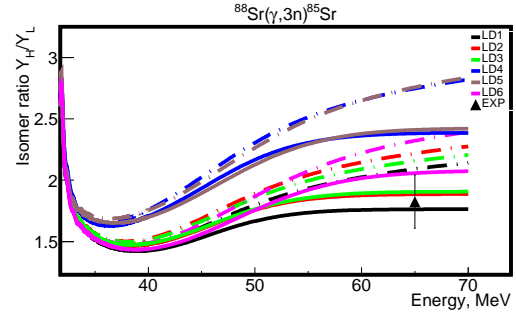


Fig.2. $^{88}Sr(\gamma, 3n)^{85}Sr$. EXP [12]

→ $^{103}Rh(\gamma, 4n)^{99}Rh$ is well-described with LD1 and LD2 without pre-equilibrium mechanism;

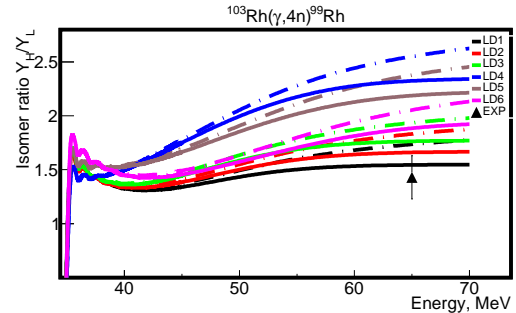


Fig.3. $^{103}Rh(\gamma, 4n)^{99}Rh$. EXP [30]

→ $^{109}\text{Ag}(\gamma, 5n)^{104}\text{Ag}$ is well-described with LD4 and LD2 with pre-equilibrium mechanism;

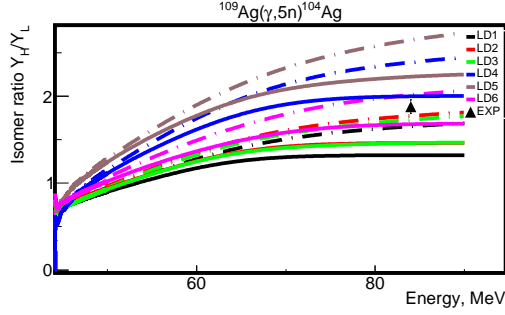


Fig. 4. $^{109}\text{Ag}(\gamma, 5n)^{104}\text{Ag}$. EXP [19]

→ for $^{113}\text{In}(\gamma, 3n)^{110}\text{In}$ the difference between theoretical models is of one order with statistical error of experimental data, and all theoretical models are in good agreement with experiment;

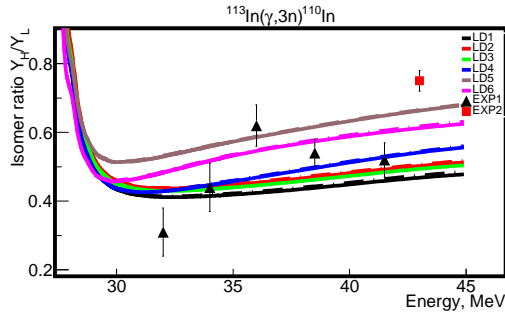


Fig. 5. $^{113}\text{In}(\gamma, 3n)^{110}\text{In}$. EXP [21]

→ $^{121}\text{Sb}(\gamma, 5n)^{116}\text{Sb}$ is well-described with LD2 and LD3;

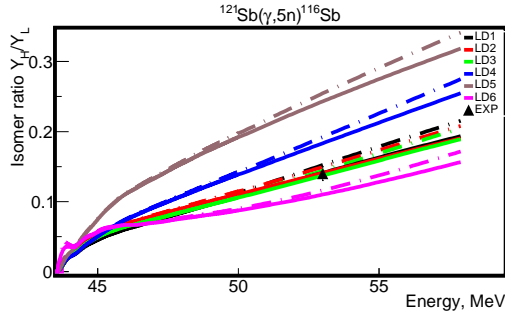


Fig. 6. $^{121}\text{Sb}(\gamma, 5n)^{116}\text{Sb}$. EXP [22]

→ $^{121}\text{Sb}(\gamma, 3n)^{118}\text{Sb}$ is well-described with LD5 and LD6 with enabled pre-equilibrium mechanism;

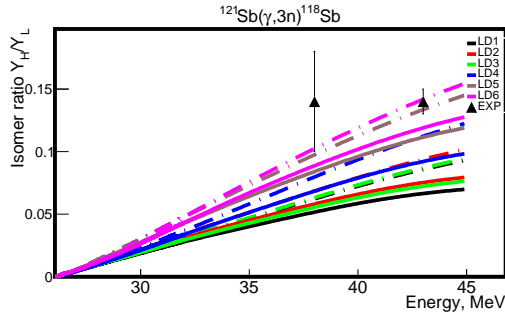


Fig. 7. $^{121}\text{Sb}(\gamma, 3n)^{118}\text{Sb}$. EXP [22]

→ $^{140}\text{Ce}(\gamma, 3n)^{137}\text{Ce}$ is well-described with LD1 at 30 MeV; and 70 MeV statistical error of experimental data covers all theoretical models;

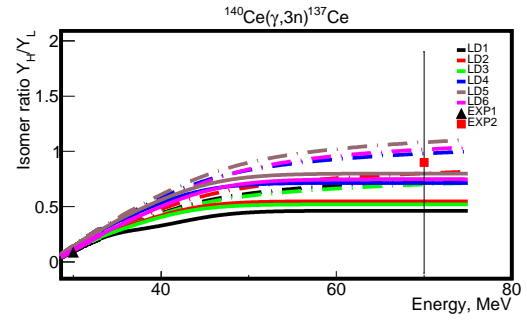


Fig. 8. $^{140}\text{Ce}(\gamma, 3n)^{137}\text{Ce}$. EXP1 [23], EXP2 [15]

→ $^{144}\text{Nd}(\gamma, 3n)^{141}\text{Nd}$ is well-described with LD1, LD2, LD3 and LD4;

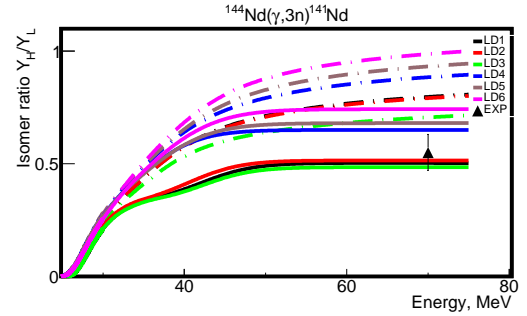


Fig. 9. $^{144}\text{Nd}(\gamma, 3n)^{141}\text{Nd}$. EXP [15]

→ $^{165}\text{Ho}(\gamma, 3n)^{162}\text{Ho}$: experimental data (except of [21]) are well-described with LD4.

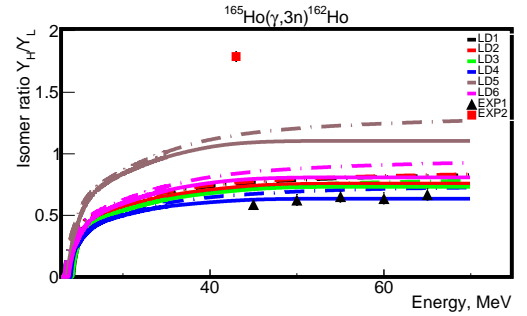


Fig. 10. $^{165}\text{Ho}(\gamma, 3n)^{162}\text{Ho}$. EXP1 [24], EXP2 [21]

There are reactions with significant differences between experimental data and theoretical predictions:

→ $^{89}\text{Y}(\gamma, 4n)^{85}\text{Y}$ and $^{89}\text{Y}(\gamma, 3n)^{86}\text{Y}$. In one case all theoretical models give overestimated values; and in the other case, in opposite, underestimated. It should be noted that for $^{89}\text{Y}(\gamma, 3n)^{86}\text{Y}$ experimental data measured by different groups at different experiments are consistent among themselves;

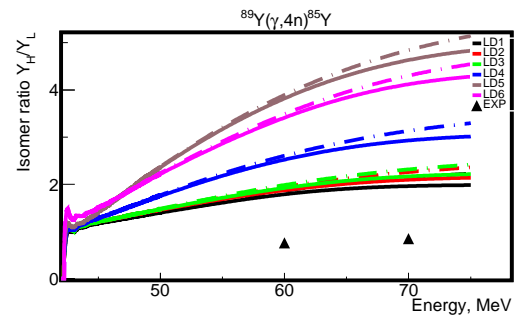


Fig. 11. $^{89}\text{Y}(\gamma, 4n)^{85}\text{Y}$. EXP [27]

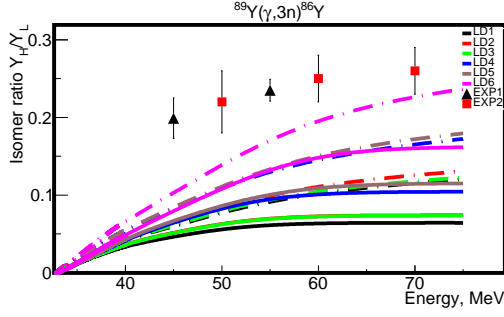


Fig. 12. $^{89}\text{Y}(\gamma, 3n)^{86}\text{Y}$. EXP1 [13], EXP2 [14]

→ $^{93}\text{Nb}(\gamma, 4n)^{89}\text{Nb}$: all theoretical models overestimate isomeric ratios, but it should be noted that LD1 describes well the behavior of isomeric ratio energy dependence;

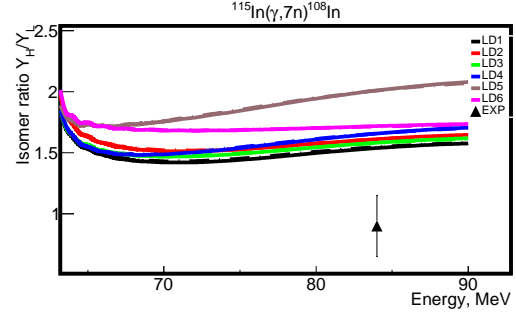


Fig. 16. $^{115}\text{In}(\gamma, 7n)^{108}\text{In}$. EXP [19]

→ $^{115}\text{In}(\gamma, 5n)^{110}\text{In}$: all theoretical models give values of one order with experimental data, but they do not predict the behavior of isomeric ratios energy dependence;

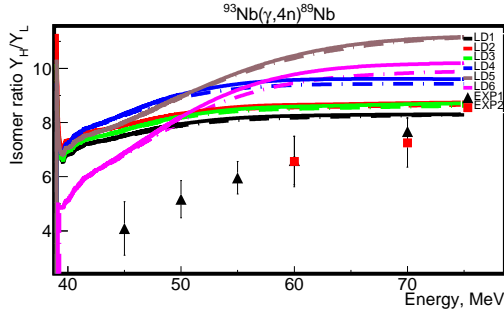


Fig. 13. $^{93}\text{Nb}(\gamma, 4n)^{89}\text{Nb}$. EXP1 [28], EXP2 [29]

→ $^{94}\text{Mo}(\gamma, 3n)^{91}\text{Mo}$: all theoretical models give overvalued results;

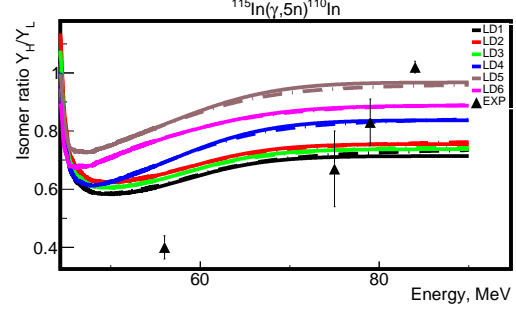


Fig. 17. $^{115}\text{In}(\gamma, 5n)^{110}\text{In}$. EXP [19]

→ $^{181}\text{Ta}(\gamma, 3n)^{178}\text{Ta}$: at 30 MeV theoretical models underestimate isomeric ratio, and at 55 MeV, in opposite, theory gives overvalued results.

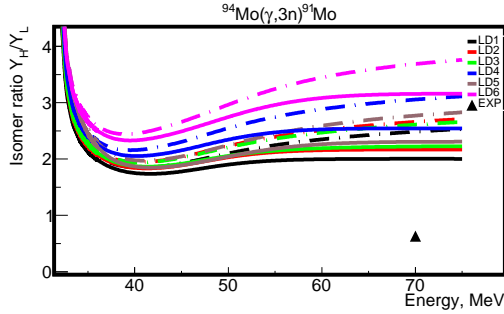


Fig. 14. $^{94}\text{Mo}(\gamma, 3n)^{91}\text{Mo}$. EXP [15]

→ $^{107}\text{Ag}(\gamma, 3n)^{104}\text{Ag}$: all theoretical models underestimate isomeric ratios. It should be noted that experimental data measured by different groups at different experiments are consistent among themselves;

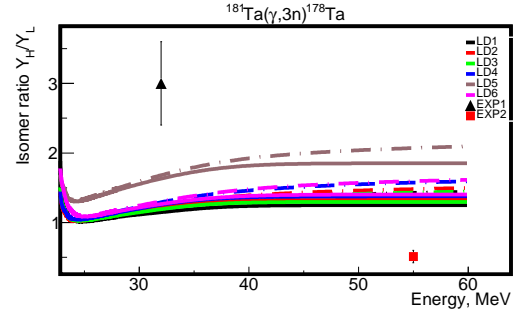


Fig. 18. $^{181}\text{Ta}(\gamma, 3n)^{178}\text{Ta}$. EXP1 [25], EXP2 [26]

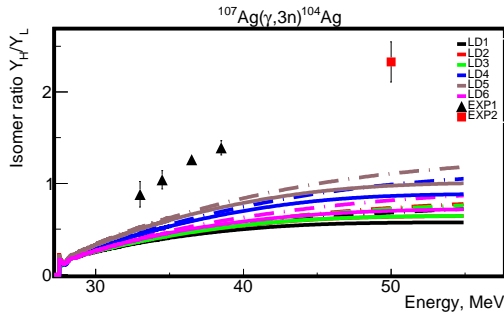


Fig. 15. $^{107}\text{Ag}(\gamma, 3n)^{104}\text{Ag}$. EXP1 [16,17], EXP2 [20]

→ $^{115}\text{In}(\gamma, 7n)^{108}\text{In}$: all theoretical models give overvalued results;

4. CONCLUSIONS

In this work isomeric ratios of photonuclear reactions, measured by different research groups were collected, systemized and compared to theoretical predictions. For some reactions theoretical values are in good agreement with experiment, for some of them we observe significant difference. As a general conclusion from the analysis of the results obtained, we can assume that a shortage of experimental data significantly limits the possibilities of choice between different theoretical models and approaches. Overview provided in this work will facilitate search of the most reliable data, the work on estimation of available data and planning of new data obtaining.

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Целью работы является изучение зависимости изомерных отношений в реакциях $A(\gamma, xn)^{m,g}(A - xn)$ от энергии гамма-квантов в диапазоне 35...100 МэВ, т. е. за пределами области гигантского дипольного резонанса (ГДР). Экспериментальные данные были взяты из международной базы данных EXFOR для широкого спектра ядерных масс ($55 < A < 181$). Теоретические значения изомерных соотношений получены с использованием кода TALYS-1,8. В наших симуляциях были рассмотрены несколько моделей плотности уровней с учетом предравновесных механизмов. Полученные результаты позволяют сделать выводы о различных механизмах фотоядерных реакций на некоторых ядрах и об их относительном вкладе в зависимости от энергии γ -квантов.

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Метою роботи є вивчення залежності ізомерних відношень у реакціях $A(\gamma, xn)^{m,g}(A - xn)$ від енергії гамма-квантів у діапазоні 35...100 МеВ, тобто за межами області гігантського дипольного резонансу (ГДР). Експериментальні дані були взяті з міжнародної бази даних EXFOR для широкого спектра ядерних мас ($55 < A < 181$). Теоретичні значення ізомерних співвідношень отримані з використанням коду TALYS-1,8. У наших симуляціях були розглянуті кілька моделей щільності рівнів з урахуванням передрівноважних механізмів. Отримані результати дозволяють зробити висновки про різні механізми фотоядерних реакцій на деяких ядрах і про їх відносний вклад у залежності від енергії γ -квантів.