INVESTIGATION OF THE ANGULAR DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRONS EMITTED FROM THE SURFACE OF RADIOACTIVE SOURCES

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Summary

By the method of timing $(e\gamma)$ -, $(e\alpha)$ -, and (eX)-coincidences, we study the angular distributions (ADs) of electrons e_0 with near-zero-energy and fast electrons e_f for different types of radioactive decay. It is established that the AD of e_0 -electrons is strongly prolate forwards, whereas it has the cosine form for e_f . The character of the AD of e_0 -electrons is affected by the passage of the surface barrier at different angles. The performed studies confirm our ideas of the emission of e_0 -electrons as the shake-off of free electrons from the surface with radioactive sources due to the sudden appearance of an electric charge near the surface.