isomer shift

in Mössbauer spectroscopy

Measure of the energy difference between the source (E_s) and the absorber (E_a) transition. The measured Doppler velocity shift, δ , is related to the energy difference by

$$E_{\rm a} - E_{\rm s} = \frac{\delta E_{\gamma}}{c}$$

where E_{γ} is the Mössbauer gamma energy and c is the speed of light in vacuum.

Source:

PAC, 1976, 45, 211 (Nomenclature and Conventions for Reporting Mossbauer Spectroscopic Data) on page 214