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Determination of Dead Time for a GM Counter

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Abstract

The counting characterisitics of GM counter dependent on count rate condition was investigated and the dead time was measured by using the decaying source method and oscilloscope method. ⁵⁶Mn was chosen as a decaying source and prepared by irradiating manganese by a neutron beam. The count rate was measured at fixed source-to-detector distances for 3200 minitues. The dead time was determined by fitting the measured count rate with the fitting formulas derived from the paralyzable model and the hybrid model. Also, the dead time was determined by oscilloscope method with picture-reading according to the changing discrimination level.

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GM 가 [2,3]. 2. . 가 . GM , 가 thereshold voltage 가 . . [1]. live time clock method, . pulser method, oscilloscope method [4]. 가 , . one parameter non-paralyzable paralyzable , two parameter hybrid [2,3]. Non-paralyzable 가 가 n 가 가 n [1,5]. Non - paraly zable observed count rate true count rate . $m = \frac{n}{1 + n \, \mathcal{T}_n}$ (1) m observed count rate, n true count rate, n non-paralyzable . Paraly zable р 가 , 가 [1,5]. Paralyzable observed count rate true р

count rate

$$m = n e^{-n \tau_p} \tag{2}$$

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P paralyzable .

가 가 Hybrid GM 가 discrimination level non-paralyzable . paralyzable [3]. Hybrid observed count rate true count rate .

$$m = \frac{n \exp\left(-n \tau_{p}\right)}{1 + n \tau_{n}}$$
(3)

n on - paraly zable , paralyzable . Hybrid (hybrid review) paralyzable dead period [6,7].

$$m = \frac{n \exp\left(-n \tau_p\right)}{1 + n \left[\tau_n - \tau_p \exp\left(-n \tau_p\right)\right]} \tag{4}$$

1 initial true count rate7 3,000,000 counts/min ⁵⁶Mn paraly zable, non-paralyzabel, hybrid model 가

hybrid . paralyzable non-paralyzable .

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initial true count rate, no , t , *n*_B _G ⁵⁵Mn . Decaying source ⁵⁶Mn ⁵⁵Mn 가 13.3 barn 2.578 hours ST1 가 1.5 mm, T eflon sheet 9×10^{9} n/cm²s 41.8 mg 1 3 (5) . 3 initial true count rate least square fitting initial count rate 7 $3,061,700 \pm 9,400$ counts/min, 7 19.2 ± 0.4 counts/min fitting 4 6 true count rate 7 4.8×10^4 counts/min observed Fitting $580 \pm 1 \ \mu \text{ sec}$ $3 \times 10^5 \ \text{counts/min}$ count rate . Paralyzable . Hybrid 4.4×10^5 counts/min 10% paralyzable 359 ± 1 µ sec, nonparalyzable $355 \pm 2 \ \mu sec \ 10\%$ 6.6×10^5 counts/min . Hybrid review paraly zable 311 ± 1 µ sec, nonparalyzable $600 \pm 1 \ \mu sec \ 10\%$

4. Oscilloscope method

oscilloscope method oscilloscope [8].

가 가 oscilloscope method 7 가 가 가 discrimination level non-paralyzable paraly zable . Non-paralyzable 500 cps $180 \pm 10 \ \mu sec, \ 30,000 \ cps$ 80±10 µ sec true count rate가 가 discrimination level - 30 mV , paralyzable $100 \pm 20 \mu$ 500 cps $190 \pm 10 \ \mu \sec, 30,000 \ cps$ -50 mV $440 \pm 10 \ \mu sec$ sec , -70 mV 500 cps $330 \pm 10 \ \mu \text{ sec}, \ 30,000 \ \text{cps}$ $900 \pm 10 \ \mu \text{ sec}$ 가

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Fig. 1. The simulation results of dead time models at changing dead time.



Fig. 2. Block diagram of decaying source method by using multichannel scaler. MCS dwell time is 1 min, discrimination level -50 mV.



Fig. 3. The raw data of observed and derived true count rate by decaying source method.



Fig. 4. The fitting result and calculated count rate determined by paralyzable model.



Fig. 5. The fitting result and calculated count rate determined by hybrid model.



Fig. 6. The fitting result and calculated count rate determined by hybrid (review) model.



Fig. 7. The measured dead time by oscilloscope method.



Fig. 8. The oscilloscope pattern of the GM detector. Exposure time is 0.25 sec and trigger level is -20 mV.