

COMPUTATION OF CHARACTERISTICS OF C IV TRANSITIONS<sup>†</sup>Muhammad Saeed<sup>a</sup>, Shafiq Ur Rehman<sup>a</sup>, Mahwish Mobeen Khan<sup>b</sup>,  Zaheer Uddin<sup>a\*</sup><sup>a</sup>Department of Physics, University of Karachi, Pakistan<sup>b</sup>Department of Applied Chemistry & Chemical Technology, University of Karachi, Pakistan\*Corresponding Author e-mail: [zuddin@uok.edu.pk](mailto:zuddin@uok.edu.pk)

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In this research, we computed transition probabilities, line strength, and oscillator strengths of more than 5000 transitions in C IV. Very few values of these spectroscopic characteristics were previously known and reported. The calculation method, based on a combination of the weakest bound electron model and numerical approximation, shows reliable values because the correlation between known and calculated values is high. The transition probabilities calculated in this work are compared with known values of the NIST database and those found in literature, and a reasonably good agreement has been observed. The lifetime of Rydberg levels ns, np, nd, nf, ng has been reported up to  $n = 25$ . A general sixth-degree polynomial was developed, generating C IV lifetimes with reasonable accuracy. Most of the results presented are new.

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## INTRODUCTION

The star's atmosphere or other astronomical objects like interstellar nebula have various chemical elements. The chemical composition varies from object to object; astronomers can identify it by recording and measuring the relative amount of electromagnetic radiation emitted by each. Understanding stellar evolution requires precise abundances of various elements, including carbon. The chemical abundance is also vital to understand the complex picture of stars. The study of Excited states of atoms is the foundation of quantum mechanics and has grabbed the focus of scientists for many decades. Many research papers and articles have been published with the application of the transition state of carbon atoms in molecular physics, nanochemistry, medicinal chemistry, environmental chemistry, and material science [1-7]. In 1970, Martinson measured the Mean lives of 16 excited levels in C II - C V with the beam-foil technique and found good agreement for the C III  $2s3d^3D - 2s4f^3F^0$  (1923 Å) transition and the C IV  $2s^2S - 2p^2p^0$  (1548 Å) transition [8]. In 1971, Poulizac also used the beam-foil excitation method to study the carbon spectra between 1100 Å and 7000 Å for C I, C II, C III, C IV, and C V energy ranging from 0.18 to 2.0 MeV [9]. In 1979, Ganas used a semiempirical approach with Optical oscillator strengths for excitations from the valence subshell of C (IV) and N (V) and obtained good agreement with experimental data [10]. In 1989, Baudinet-Robinet et al. applied the beam-foil-laser method to determine the lifetimes of two levels in multiply ionized carbon atoms and found the results for C III  $2s3d^1D$ ,  $0.15 \pm 0.01$  ns and C IV  $3s^2S$ ,  $0.21 \pm 0.02$  ns. These values are in good agreement with the theoretical predictions. They also determined these lifetimes using the classical (nonselective) beam-foil method and reported  $\approx 20\%$  longer than the beam-foil-laser values. These factors limit the accuracy of the lifetime determinations by the beam-foil-laser method [11]. In 1996, Gou used the multichannel saddle-point and saddle-point complex-rotation methods for Seven triply excited states of lithium-like beryllium and carbon, using first-order perturbation theory [12]. In 1997, Cheng improved the energy levels in neutral carbon using high-resolution infrared solar spectra. The main source is the ATMOS spectrum measured by the Fourier transform spectroscopy technique from 600 to 4800  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , supplemented by the MARK IV balloon data, covering 4700 to 5700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  [13]. P. Quinet, in 1998, by using the Ritz and the polarization methods, calculated the term energies up to  $n = 30$  and  $l \geq 3$  in C II, C III, and C IV. His article also reported the predicted wavelengths for these lines of high- $nl$  term energies and the related oscillator strengths [14]. Nengwu Zheng et al., in 2001, by employing the WBEPM, computed transition probabilities of C I, C II, C III, and C IV. They calculated the required parameters for the calculation of transition probabilities through a proposed coupled equation which relates the energy and radial expectation value  $\langle r \rangle_{nl}$  of the Weakest Bound Electron [15]. In 2004, Agarwal investigated Energy levels and radiative rates for transitions among the lowest 24 fine structure levels belonging to the  $1s^2 nl$  ( $n \leq 5$ ) configurations of C IV using the fully relativistic GRASP code. Additionally, collision strengths for transitions among these levels have been computed over a wide energy range below 28 Ry using the Dirac Atomic R-matrix Code [16]. In 2002, Nengwu Zheng and Tao Wang computed the radiative lifetimes, transition probabilities, and oscillator strengths for individual lines of different transitions for atomic carbon and oxygen. In their article, WBEPM theory has been employed for calculations [17]. Zheng et al., in 2004, developed a unified WBEPM theory in which they presented the relativistic form of the theory and combined it with the non-relativistic form they proposed earlier. They have employed the newly proposed theory for calculating transition probabilities and F II oscillator strength, carbon atom energy levels, and Ionization potential for oxygen-like ions [18]. In 2018, Lischka introduced the progress in time-resolved spectroscopy to explain the characteristic features of excited states accurately. At the same time, the stable molecule's electronic ground state problems

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can efficiently solve with the implementation of quantum chemical methodology [19]. In 2020, Li et al. worked with the multiconfiguration Dirac-Hartree-Fock and Relativistic Configuration Interaction methods for the General-purpose Relativistic Atomic Structure Package GRASP2K to compute the Landé g-factors for states in C I–IV and other atoms. Further, they compared the accuracy of the wave functions for the states and the resulting Landé g-factors' accuracy with the computed excitation energies and energy separations with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) recommended data [20]. In 2022, Whang et al. employed a neural network machine learning method to simulate interatomic potentials for the structural properties of several carbon structures. First-principles Density Functional Theory (DFT) calculations are used to train the potential with a database of crystalline and liquid structures. The excellent accuracy and transferability of the NNP provide a promising tool for accurate atomistic simulations of various carbon materials with faster speed and much lower cost [21].

### THEORY

Due to its complex nature, the Schrodinger equation for atoms and ions having many electrons is difficult to solve. However, an approximate solution for the hydrogen atom exists, with only one electron in its outermost shell. Like the hydrogen atom, some atoms have only one electron in the outermost shells; thus, the interaction terms are no longer required in the equation for the hydrogen-like atom. Hence Schrodinger equation for hydrogen atoms can be used for such atoms and ions with the approximation that all other electrons in the inner shells together with the nucleus form the core, like the hydrogen atom, e.g., hydrogen-like atoms and ions are Li I, Be II, B III, C IV, N V, and O VI. The theory used in this work is the same as in [22]. The Schrodinger equation for hydrogen-like atoms and ions is given by,

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{dr^2} - 2V(r) - \frac{l^*(l^*+1)}{r^2} + 2E\right)P(r) = 0, \quad (1)$$

Here  $P(r) = rR(r)$ , and  $R(r)$  is the radial wavefunction,

$$\frac{l^*(l^*+1)}{r^2} + V(r) = \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} + \frac{B}{r^2} + \frac{A}{r} \quad (2)$$

The first term on the right side  $\left(\frac{l(l+1)}{r^2}\right)$  is the same as for hydrogen atom, the second term  $\left(\frac{B}{r^2} + \frac{A}{r}\right)$  is the total potential felt by the weakest bound electron. The energy of hydrogen-like atoms and ions is given by,

$$E = \frac{Z^{*2}}{2n^{*2}} \quad (3)$$

$n^* = n - \delta_n$  and  $l^* = l - \delta_l$  are effective principal and orbital quantum numbers for hydrogen-like atoms and ions.  $\delta$  is a quantum defect in principal and orbital quantum numbers ( $n, l$ ). The quantum defect can be expressed as a polynomial in  $x$ , where  $x$  is  $1/(n - \delta_o)$ , the  $\delta_o$  is the lowest value of quantum defect. The radial function can be defined as  $R(r) = \frac{P(r)}{r}$ , and can be expressed in terms of associated Laguerre polynomials.

The transition probability  $A_{fi}$  of a transition for spontaneous emission between levels  $(n_f, l_f)$  &  $(n_i, l_i)$  is given as,

$$A_{fi} = 2.0261 \times 10^{-6} \frac{(E_f - E_i)^3}{2l_i + 1} S \quad (4)$$

$E_f > E_i$  and are energies of upper and lower levels,  $S$  is the electric dipole line strength; it is proportional to the dipole matrix element  $P_{l_i l_f}^{(1)}$  which is given as,

$$P_{l_i l_f}^{(1)} = l_i \langle n_i, l_i | r | n_f, l_f \rangle = l_i \int_0^\infty r^3 R_{n_i l_i} R_{n_f l_f} dr \quad (5)$$

The lifetime ( $\tau$ ) of Rydberg levels can be found by the following equation;

$$\tau_i = \frac{1}{\sum_f A_{fi}} \quad (6)$$

### RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The Martin formula was used to calculate energies and quantum defects of the Rydberg lithium levels like C IV. These results calculated transition probabilities, oscillator strength, and line strength of five thousand two hundred and fifty transitions. The transition probability mainly depends on the energy difference of the levels involved in the transition and the line strength of the transition. Due to the unavailability of the wavefunction for the atoms and ions, it isn't easy to calculate line strength which depends on the dipole matrix element. However, the Weakest Bound Electron Potential Model (WBEPM) suggests hydrogen-like wavefunction for lithium-like atoms and ions. This wavefunction for C IV was used, and dipole integral was evaluated using the wavefunction of WBEPM; consequently, line strength was evaluated, which was further used in calculating transition probability. The energy levels of ns, np, nd, nf, and ng up to  $n = 30$  have been calculated; using selection rules, more than 5250 transitions in C IV were studied. In Table I, the first column gives the configuration of the upper and lower levels of the transition (nlj). The first letter represents the principal quantum number, the second is the sub-orbital corresponding to the orbital quantum number, and the term in the bracket is the total angular momentum of the

level. The second column gives the transition probabilities determined in this work, NIST values, and Zheng's work. The third and fourth columns give oscillator strengths & line strengths determined in this work and NIST values.

Out of these 5250, only 225 transition probabilities are given on the NIST site, the comparison of these transition probabilities with those calculated in this work has a percentage error of less than 1% in most cases, and in a few cases, it is up to 7%. Similar is the case upon comparing the transition probabilities of Zheng's work and this study. However, there is one transition in each comparison with NIST data and Zheng's work, where a large deviation is seen from this work, as mentioned below.

### The Transition $1s^28s - 1s^22p$

The transition probabilities for the transitions  $1s^28s_{3/2} - 1s^22p_{1/2}$  and  $1s^28s_{1/2} - 1s^22p_{3/2}$  determined in this work are  $5.75 \times 10^7$  and  $1.15 \times 10^8$ , the corresponding values in the NIST data are  $1.66 \times 10^9$ , and  $3.22 \times 10^9$ , respectively. A difference of 99% between them can be seen. NIST data classifies these transitions in accuracy code B, which means it has 10% or fewer errors. As mentioned below, Zheng did not measure this transition where a large deviation is seen from this work.

### The Transition $1s^23d - 1s^22p$

The transition probabilities for the transitions  $1s^23d_{3/2} - 1s^22p_{1/2}$  determined in this work are  $1.52 \times 10^{10}$ , and the corresponding value in Zheng's work is  $1.47 \times 10^6$ . A big difference is observed between the two, whereas the reported value in the NIST database is close to the value determined in this work ( $1.46 \times 10^{10}$ ). NIST data classifies it in accuracy code B, which means it has a 10% or less error. The maximum probability is found for the transition  $1s^23d - 1s^22p$ .

Fig. 1 compares transition probabilities calculated in this work and listed in the NIST database. An approximate straight-line graph among transition probabilities between this work and NIST values indicates a good agreement between both. The correlation coefficient between these probabilities is 0.999.

Since many transition probabilities are known, all possible transition probabilities from each level are known; hence equation (6) can be used to find the lifetime of the levels. The lifetimes of Rydberg levels  $1s^2 ns$ ,  $1s^2 np$ ,  $1s^2 nd$ ,  $1s^2 nf$ , and  $1s^2 ng$  up to  $n = 25$  have also been determined. Table II gives the values of the lifetime of the corresponding level.

**Table I.** List of transition calculated transition probabilities, oscillator strengths, and line strength compared with corresponding values in the NIST database.

Configurations Lower level - Upper level	Transition Probability			Oscillator Strength		Line Strength	
	This Work	NIST	Zheng ( $\times 10^6$ )	This Work	NIST	NIST	This Work
$2p_{1/2} \rightarrow 3d_{3/2}$	1.516E+10	1.460E+10	0.0147	0.6690	0.6460	1.6913	1.6300
$3p_{1/2} \rightarrow 3d_{3/2}$	4.872E+05	4.890E+05	0.0049	0.0625	0.0629	8.5221	8.5700
$2p_{3/2} \rightarrow 3d_{3/2}$	3.030E+09	2.920E+09	29.3400	0.0669	0.0646	0.3385	0.3270
$3p_{3/2} \rightarrow 3d_{3/2}$	9.553E+04	9.580E+04	0.0010	0.0062	0.0062	1.7043	1.7100
$2p_{1/2} \rightarrow 4d_{3/2}$	5.045E+09	4.900E+09	49.7400	0.1262	0.1230	0.2402	0.2340
$3p_{1/2} \rightarrow 4d_{3/2}$	1.508E+09	1.470E+09	14.5600	0.5537	0.5410	4.0374	3.9400
$4p_{1/2} \rightarrow 4d_{3/2}$	1.527E+05	1.530E+05	0.0015	0.1115	0.1120	36.2447	36.4000
$2p_{3/2} \rightarrow 4d_{3/2}$	1.008E+09	9.780E+08	9.9400	0.0126	0.0123	0.0480	0.0467
$3p_{3/2} \rightarrow 4d_{3/2}$	3.016E+08	2.940E+08	2.9130	0.0554	0.0541	0.8084	0.7890
$4p_{3/2} \rightarrow 4d_{3/2}$	2.995E+04	3.000E+04	0.0003	0.0111	0.0111	7.2487	7.2700
$2p_{1/2} \rightarrow 5d_{3/2}$	2.340E+09	2.280E+09	23.2400	0.0471	0.0460	0.0805	0.0786
$3p_{1/2} \rightarrow 5d_{3/2}$	7.614E+08	7.430E+08	7.4390	0.1352	0.1320	0.6854	0.6700
$4p_{1/2} \rightarrow 5d_{3/2}$	3.026E+08	2.970E+08	2.9330	0.5239	0.5150	8.2970	8.1600
$5p_{1/2} \rightarrow 5d_{3/2}$	5.523E+04	5.520E+04	0.0006	0.1551	0.1550	98.9188	99.0000
$2p_{3/2} \rightarrow 5d_{3/2}$	4.676E+08	4.550E+08	4.6440	0.0047	0.0046	0.0161	0.0157
$3p_{3/2} \rightarrow 5d_{3/2}$	1.522E+08	1.480E+08	1.4880	0.0135	0.0132	0.1371	0.1340
$4p_{3/2} \rightarrow 5d_{3/2}$	6.054E+07	5.930E+07	0.5869	0.0524	0.0515	1.6616	1.6300
$5p_{3/2} \rightarrow 5d_{3/2}$	1.082E+04	1.080E+04	0.0001	0.0154	0.0154	19.7832	19.8000
$2p_{1/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	1.287E+09	1.250E+09	12.8200	0.0233	0.0226	0.0376	0.0366
$3p_{1/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	4.293E+08	4.190E+08	4.2150	0.0561	0.0549	0.2441	0.2390
$4p_{1/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	1.842E+08	1.800E+08	1.8000	0.1386	0.1360	1.4475	1.4200
$5p_{1/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	8.861E+07	8.720E+07	0.8621	0.5232	0.5160	15.3016	15.1000
$6p_{1/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	2.325E+04	2.180E+04		0.1961	0.1840	216.7812	204.0000
$2p_{3/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	2.571E+08	2.500E+08	2.5630	0.0023	0.0023	0.0075	0.0073
$3p_{3/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	8.582E+07	8.380E+07	0.8428	0.0056	0.0055	0.0488	0.0478
$4p_{3/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	3.684E+07	3.600E+07	0.3601	0.0139	0.0136	0.2897	0.2840
$5p_{3/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	1.773E+07	1.740E+07		0.0524	0.0515	3.0652	3.0100
$6p_{3/2} \rightarrow 6d_{3/2}$	4.550E+03	4.280E+03		0.0195	0.0183	43.3555	40.9000
$2p_{3/2} \rightarrow 3d_{5/2}$	1.818E+10	1.750E+10	176.0300	0.6022	0.5810	3.0462	2.9400
$3p_{3/2} \rightarrow 3d_{5/2}$	5.770E+05	5.790E+05	0.0058	0.0560	0.0563	15.3405	15.4000
$2p_{3/2} \rightarrow 4d_{5/2}$	6.050E+09	5.870E+09		0.1136	0.1100	0.4324	0.4210
$3p_{3/2} \rightarrow 4d_{5/2}$	1.809E+09	1.760E+09	17.4700	0.4986	0.4860	7.2736	7.0900
$4p_{3/2} \rightarrow 4d_{5/2}$	1.808E+05	1.810E+05	0.0018	0.0999	0.1000	65.2427	65.4000
$2p_{3/2} \rightarrow 5d_{5/2}$	2.806E+09	2.730E+09	27.8700	0.0424	0.0414	0.1449	0.1410
$3p_{3/2} \rightarrow 5d_{5/2}$	9.135E+08	8.910E+08	8.9260	0.1217	0.1190	1.2343	1.2100

Configurations Lower level - Upper level	Transition Probability			Oscillator Strength		Line Strength	
	This Work	NIST	Zheng ( $\times 10^8$ )	This Work	NIST	NIST	This Work
4p <sub>3/2</sub> → 5d <sub>5/2</sub>	3.632E+08	3.560E+08	3.5210	0.4719	0.4630	14.9503	14.7000
5p <sub>3/2</sub> → 5d <sub>5/2</sub>	6.524E+04	6.520E+04	0.0007	0.1389	0.1390	178.0578	178.0000
2p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6d <sub>5/2</sub>	1.543E+09	1.500E+09	15.3800	0.0209	0.0204	0.0677	0.0660
3p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6d <sub>5/2</sub>	5.149E+08	5.030E+08	5.0570	0.0505	0.0494	0.4395	0.4300
4p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6d <sub>5/2</sub>	2.210E+08	2.160E+08	2.1600	0.1248	0.1220	2.6069	2.5500
5p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6d <sub>5/2</sub>	1.064E+08	1.050E+08	1.0350	0.4713	0.4660	27.5757	27.3000
6p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6d <sub>5/2</sub>	2.747E+04	2.580E+04		0.1756	0.1650	390.2184	367.0000
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 2p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.726E+08	2.640E+08	2.6490	0.0981	0.0952	1.0017	0.9720
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 3p <sub>1/2</sub>	4.598E+09	4.630E+09	43.5200	0.0671	0.0678	0.1381	0.1390
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 3p <sub>1/2</sub>	3.186E+07	3.160E+07	0.3140	0.1612	0.1600	6.1694	6.1300
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 4p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.238E+08	1.280E+08		0.0266	0.0138	0.2100	0.2180
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 4p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.258E+09	2.270E+09	21.0900	0.0203	0.0204	0.0327	0.0329
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 4p <sub>1/2</sub>	5.054E+08	5.030E+08	4.9210	0.0680	0.0678	0.4245	0.4230
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 4p <sub>1/2</sub>	7.144E+06	7.110E+06	0.0709	0.2205	0.2200	20.8530	20.8000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 5p <sub>1/2</sub>	5.230E+07	5.470E+07		0.0051	0.0027	0.0270	0.0283
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 5p <sub>1/2</sub>	6.511E+07	6.670E+07		0.0657	0.0337	1.1224	1.1500
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 5p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.207E+09	1.210E+09	11.2100	0.0090	0.0090	0.0131	0.0132
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 5p <sub>1/2</sub>	3.117E+08	3.110E+08	3.0070	0.0219	0.0219	0.0987	0.0986
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 5p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.083E+08	1.080E+08	1.0650	0.0718	0.0717	0.9954	0.9940
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 5p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.263E+06	2.260E+06	0.0225	0.2785	0.2790	52.5840	52.6000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 6p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.722E+07	2.860E+07		0.0019	0.0010	0.0086	0.0091
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 6p <sub>1/2</sub>	3.191E+07	3.290E+07		0.0131	0.0068	0.1424	0.1470
5d <sub>3/2</sub> → 6p <sub>1/2</sub>	3.251E+07	3.310E+07		0.1115	0.0569	3.5159	3.5900
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>1/2</sub>	7.113E+08	7.150E+08		0.0048	0.0048	0.0067	0.0068
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.914E+08	1.910E+08		0.0102	0.0102	0.0398	0.0398
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>1/2</sub>	7.601E+07	7.560E+07		0.0236	0.0235	0.2238	0.2230
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>1/2</sub>	3.319E+07	3.300E+07		0.0770	0.0766	1.9943	1.9900
6s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>1/2</sub>	8.893E+05	8.940E+05		0.3358	0.3380	111.0743	112.0000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.609E+07	1.700E+07		0.0010	0.0005	0.0039	0.0042
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.817E+07	1.880E+07		0.0050	0.0026	0.0449	0.0465
5d <sub>3/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.763E+07	1.810E+07		0.0227	0.0117	0.4396	0.4520
6d <sub>3/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.707E+07	1.730E+07		0.1615	0.0820	8.4548	8.5800
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	4.521E+08	4.550E+08		0.0029	0.0029	0.0039	0.0040
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.239E+08	1.240E+08		0.0057	0.0057	0.0206	0.0206
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	5.102E+07	5.080E+07		0.0112	0.0112	0.0892	0.0890
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.529E+07	2.520E+07		0.0254	0.0254	0.4340	0.4330
6s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.271E+07	1.260E+07		0.0827	0.0821	3.5929	3.5700
7s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>1/2</sub>	4.049E+05	4.080E+05		0.3928	0.3960	208.2167	210.0000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.034E+07	1.100E+07		0.0006	0.0003	0.0022	0.0023
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.142E+07	1.180E+07		0.0025	0.0013	0.0203	0.0210
5d <sub>3/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.072E+07	1.100E+07		0.0088	0.0046	0.1367	0.1410
6d <sub>3/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	9.956E+06	1.010E+07		0.0334	0.0170	1.0434	1.0600
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	3.044E+08	3.070E+08		0.0019	0.0019	0.0025	0.0025
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	8.427E+07	8.400E+07		0.0035	0.0035	0.0122	0.0122
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	3.524E+07	3.510E+07		0.0063	0.0063	0.0459	0.0458
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.805E+07	1.800E+07		0.0122	0.0122	0.1701	0.1700
6s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.025E+07	1.020E+07		0.0273	0.0272	0.7597	0.7570
7s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	5.673E+06	5.570E+06		0.0889	0.0875	5.9918	5.8900
8s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.052E+05	2.070E+05		0.4495	0.4540	358.0851	361.0000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	7.064E+06	7.580E+06		0.0004	0.0002	0.0013	0.0014
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	7.680E+06	7.780E+06		0.0015	0.0008	0.0111	0.0113
5d <sub>3/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	7.060E+06	7.280E+06		0.0045	0.0023	0.0613	0.0633
6d <sub>3/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	6.365E+06	6.650E+06		0.0131	0.0069	0.3207	0.3360
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.145E+08	2.110E+08		0.0013	0.0013	0.0017	0.0017
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	5.973E+07	5.940E+07		0.0023	0.0023	0.0079	0.0079
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.518E+07	2.460E+07		0.0040	0.0039	0.0272	0.0266
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.307E+07	1.290E+07		0.0070	0.0069	0.0868	0.0858
6s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	7.656E+06	7.700E+06		0.0131	0.0132	0.2930	0.2950
7s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	4.770E+06	4.700E+06		0.0293	0.0289	1.2363	1.2200
8s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	2.828E+06	2.850E+06		0.0953	0.0962	9.4203	9.5100
9s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>1/2</sub>	1.128E+05	1.130E+05		0.5061	0.5070	576.9346	578.0000
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 2p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.741E+08	2.650E+08	2.6630	0.1966	0.1900	2.0040	1.9400
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 3p <sub>3/2</sub>	4.593E+09	4.630E+09	43.4500	0.1341	0.1360	0.2758	0.2790
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 3p <sub>3/2</sub>	3.205E+07	3.170E+07	0.3160	0.3230	0.3200	12.3406	12.2000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 4p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.235E+07	1.280E+07		0.0053	0.0028	0.0419	0.0435
3d <sub>5/2</sub> → 4p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.112E+08	1.150E+08		0.0319	0.0165	0.3774	0.3910
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 4p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.256E+09	2.270E+09	21.0700	0.0405	0.0408	0.0653	0.0658
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 4p <sub>3/2</sub>	5.047E+08	5.040E+08	4.9120	0.1358	0.1360	0.8474	0.8480
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 4p <sub>3/2</sub>	7.185E+06	7.150E+06	0.0713	0.4419	0.4410	41.7094	41.6000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 5p <sub>3/2</sub>	5.220E+06	5.470E+06		0.0010	0.0005	0.0054	0.0057

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	This Work	NIST	Zheng ( $\times 10^8$ )	This Work	NIST	NIST	This Work
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 5p <sub>3/2</sub>	6.499E+06	6.680E+06		0.0131	0.0068	0.2240	0.2310
3d <sub>5/2</sub> → 5p <sub>3/2</sub>	4.700E+07	4.920E+07		0.0061	0.0032	0.0486	0.0510
4d <sub>5/2</sub> → 5p <sub>3/2</sub>	5.851E+07	6.010E+07		0.0787	0.0405	2.0170	2.0800
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 5p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.206E+09	1.210E+09	11.2000	0.0179	0.0180	0.0263	0.0264
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 5p <sub>3/2</sub>	3.114E+08	3.110E+08	3.0020	0.0437	0.0437	0.1971	0.1970
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 5p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.081E+08	1.080E+08	1.0630	0.1433	0.1430	1.9863	1.9900
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 5p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.277E+06	2.270E+06	0.0227	0.5582	0.5570	105.1729	105.0000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.717E+06	2.860E+06		0.0004	0.0002	0.0017	0.0018
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	3.186E+06	3.290E+06		0.0026	0.0014	0.0284	0.0294
5d <sub>3/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	3.245E+06	3.310E+06		0.0223	0.0114	0.7015	0.7170
3d <sub>5/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.446E+07	2.580E+07		0.0023	0.0012	0.0155	0.0164
4d <sub>5/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.868E+07	2.960E+07		0.0157	0.0081	0.2560	0.2650
5d <sub>5/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.922E+07	2.980E+07		0.1336	0.0683	6.3171	6.4500
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	7.108E+08	7.150E+08		0.0096	0.0097	0.0134	0.0135
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.912E+08	1.910E+08		0.0203	0.0203	0.0796	0.0796
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	7.589E+07	7.560E+07		0.0471	0.0470	0.4468	0.4460
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	3.312E+07	3.300E+07		0.1535	0.1530	3.9781	3.9700
6s <sub>1/2</sub> → 6p <sub>3/2</sub>	8.951E+05	9.000E+05		0.6731	0.6780	222.1530	224.0000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.605E+06	1.700E+06		0.0002	0.0001	0.0008	0.0008
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.814E+06	1.880E+06		0.0010	0.0005	0.0090	0.0093
5d <sub>3/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.760E+06	1.810E+06		0.0045	0.0023	0.0877	0.0904
6d <sub>3/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.704E+06	1.730E+06		0.0322	0.0164	1.6868	1.7200
3d <sub>5/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.445E+07	1.530E+07		0.0011	0.0006	0.0071	0.0075
4d <sub>5/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.633E+07	1.690E+07		0.0060	0.0031	0.0807	0.0836
5d <sub>5/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.584E+07	1.620E+07		0.0272	0.0140	0.7901	0.8090
6d <sub>5/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.534E+07	1.560E+07		0.1935	0.0985	15.1918	15.5000
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	4.517E+08	4.550E+08		0.0058	0.0058	0.0078	0.0079
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.238E+08	1.240E+08		0.0113	0.0113	0.0411	0.0412
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	5.095E+07	5.080E+07		0.0223	0.0223	0.1781	0.1780
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.524E+07	2.520E+07		0.0508	0.0508	0.8662	0.8660
6s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.268E+07	1.260E+07		0.1650	0.1640	7.1649	7.1300
7s <sub>1/2</sub> → 7p <sub>3/2</sub>	4.077E+05	4.100E+05		0.7874	0.7930	416.4325	420.0000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.032E+06	1.100E+06		0.0001	0.0001	0.0004	0.0005
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.140E+06	1.180E+06		0.0005	0.0003	0.0041	0.0042
5d <sub>3/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.070E+06	1.100E+06		0.0018	0.0009	0.0273	0.0281
6d <sub>3/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	9.939E+05	1.010E+06		0.0067	0.0034	0.2083	0.2120
3d <sub>5/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	9.294E+06	9.870E+06		0.0007	0.0004	0.0039	0.0041
4d <sub>5/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.026E+07	1.070E+07		0.0030	0.0016	0.0365	0.0381
5d <sub>5/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	9.633E+06	9.910E+06		0.0106	0.0055	0.2457	0.2530
6d <sub>5/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	8.948E+06	9.130E+06		0.0401	0.0205	1.8754	1.9200
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	3.042E+08	3.070E+08		0.0038	0.0038	0.0050	0.0051
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	8.418E+07	8.400E+07		0.0070	0.0070	0.0243	0.0243
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	3.519E+07	3.510E+07		0.0127	0.0127	0.0916	0.0916
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.802E+07	1.800E+07		0.0243	0.0243	0.3397	0.3400
6s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.023E+07	1.020E+07		0.0546	0.0545	1.5162	1.5100
7s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	5.658E+06	5.570E+06		0.1773	0.1750	11.9461	11.8000
8s <sub>1/2</sub> → 8p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.067E+05	2.080E+05		0.9012	0.9090	716.1562	722.0000
3d <sub>3/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	7.049E+05	7.580E+05		0.0001	0.0000	0.0003	0.0003
4d <sub>3/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	7.666E+05	7.780E+05		0.0003	0.0002	0.0022	0.0023
5d <sub>3/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	7.048E+05	7.280E+05		0.0009	0.0005	0.0122	0.0127
6d <sub>3/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	6.355E+05	6.650E+05		0.0026	0.0014	0.0640	0.0671
3d <sub>5/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	6.347E+06	6.820E+06		0.0004	0.0002	0.0024	0.0026
4d <sub>5/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	6.902E+06	7.010E+06		0.0018	0.0009	0.0200	0.0203
5d <sub>5/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	6.345E+06	6.550E+06		0.0054	0.0028	0.1101	0.1140
6d <sub>5/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	5.721E+06	5.980E+06		0.0157	0.0082	0.5765	0.6040
2s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.144E+08	2.110E+08		0.0026	0.0026	0.0034	0.0034
3s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	5.967E+07	5.940E+07		0.0047	0.0047	0.0157	0.0157
4s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.515E+07	2.460E+07		0.0080	0.0078	0.0543	0.0533
5s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.305E+07	1.290E+07		0.0139	0.0138	0.1733	0.1720
6s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	7.642E+06	7.700E+06		0.0262	0.0265	0.5848	0.5900
7s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	4.760E+06	4.700E+06		0.0585	0.0578	2.4668	2.4400
8s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	2.821E+06	2.850E+06		0.1901	0.1920	18.7786	19.0000
9s <sub>1/2</sub> → 9p <sub>3/2</sub>	1.136E+05	1.130E+05		1.0146	1.0100	1153.8298	1150.0000
2p <sub>1/2</sub> → 3s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.415E+09	1.420E+09		0.0372	0.0375	0.1029	0.1030
2p <sub>3/2</sub> → 3s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.831E+09	2.850E+09		0.0373	0.0376	0.2061	0.2080
2p <sub>1/2</sub> → 4s <sub>1/2</sub>	5.260E+08	5.320E+08		0.0069	0.0070	0.0136	0.0137
3p <sub>1/2</sub> → 4s <sub>1/2</sub>	3.574E+08	3.590E+08		0.0809	0.0814	0.6554	0.6600
2p <sub>3/2</sub> → 4s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.052E+09	1.060E+09		0.0069	0.0070	0.0271	0.0274
3p <sub>3/2</sub> → 4s <sub>1/2</sub>	7.153E+08	7.180E+08		0.0810	0.0815	1.3131	1.3200
2p <sub>1/2</sub> → 5s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.535E+08	2.570E+08		0.0026	0.0027	0.0045	0.0046



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	This Work	NIST	Zheng ( $\times 10^8$ )	This Work	NIST	NIST	This Work
3p <sub>1/2</sub> → 5s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.623E+08	1.630E+08		0.0155	0.0156	0.0812	0.0818
4p <sub>1/2</sub> → 5s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.165E+08	1.170E+08		0.1270	0.1280	2.2562	2.2700
2p <sub>3/2</sub> → 5s <sub>1/2</sub>	5.072E+08	5.150E+08		0.0026	0.0027	0.0090	0.0092
3p <sub>3/2</sub> → 5s <sub>1/2</sub>	3.247E+08	3.260E+08		0.0155	0.0156	0.1626	0.1640
4p <sub>3/2</sub> → 5s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.332E+08	2.340E+08		0.1272	0.1280	4.5199	4.5400
2p <sub>1/2</sub> → 6s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.416E+08	1.430E+08		0.0013	0.0013	0.0021	0.0021
3p <sub>1/2</sub> → 6s <sub>1/2</sub>	8.824E+07	8.880E+07		0.0060	0.0060	0.0264	0.0266
4p <sub>1/2</sub> → 6s <sub>1/2</sub>	5.977E+07	6.000E+07		0.0245	0.0246	0.2663	0.2680
5p <sub>1/2</sub> → 6s <sub>1/2</sub>	4.621E+07	4.640E+07		0.1741	0.1750	5.7538	5.7900
2p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.834E+08	2.850E+08		0.0013	0.0013	0.0042	0.0043
3p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.765E+08	1.770E+08		0.0060	0.0060	0.0529	0.0531
4p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.196E+08	1.200E+08		0.0245	0.0246	0.5332	0.5360
5p <sub>3/2</sub> → 6s <sub>1/2</sub>	9.249E+07	9.270E+07		0.1744	0.1750	11.5276	11.6000
2p <sub>1/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	8.720E+07	8.660E+07		0.0007	0.0007	0.0012	0.0012
3p <sub>1/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	5.351E+07	5.390E+07		0.0030	0.0031	0.0122	0.0124
4p <sub>1/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	3.527E+07	3.540E+07		0.0095	0.0096	0.0844	0.0849
5p <sub>1/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.575E+07	2.580E+07		0.0336	0.0338	0.6541	0.6570
6p <sub>1/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.111E+07	2.120E+07		0.2219	0.2230	12.2465	12.3000
2p <sub>3/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.745E+08	1.730E+08		0.0007	0.0007	0.0024	0.0023
3p <sub>3/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.071E+08	1.080E+08		0.0030	0.0031	0.0245	0.0248
4p <sub>3/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	7.057E+07	7.080E+07		0.0095	0.0096	0.1689	0.1700
5p <sub>3/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	5.152E+07	5.170E+07		0.0337	0.0338	1.3098	1.3200
6p <sub>3/2</sub> → 7s <sub>1/2</sub>	4.224E+07	4.230E+07		0.2222	0.2230	24.5370	24.6000
2p <sub>1/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	5.751E+07	1.610E+09		0.0005	0.0132	0.0007	0.0204
3p <sub>1/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	3.497E+07	3.520E+07		0.0018	0.0018	0.0068	0.0069
4p <sub>1/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.269E+07	2.280E+07		0.0049	0.0049	0.0386	0.0389
5p <sub>1/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.612E+07	1.620E+07		0.0132	0.0133	0.2026	0.2040
6p <sub>1/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.248E+07	1.250E+07		0.0429	0.0430	1.3523	1.3600
7p <sub>1/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.070E+07	1.080E+07		0.2700	0.2730	23.0822	23.3000
2p <sub>3/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.151E+08	3.220E+09		0.0005	0.0132	0.0015	0.0408
3p <sub>3/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	6.996E+07	7.030E+07		0.0018	0.0018	0.0136	0.0137
4p <sub>3/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	4.539E+07	4.550E+07		0.0049	0.0049	0.0773	0.0776
5p <sub>3/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	3.225E+07	3.230E+07		0.0132	0.0132	0.4056	0.4070
6p <sub>3/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.498E+07	2.500E+07		0.0429	0.0430	2.7077	2.7100
7p <sub>3/2</sub> → 8s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.142E+07	2.160E+07		0.2704	0.2730	46.2496	46.7000
2p <sub>1/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	3.993E+07	3.900E+07		0.0003	0.0003	0.0005	0.0005
3p <sub>1/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.413E+07	2.420E+07		0.0011	0.0012	0.0042	0.0043
4p <sub>1/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.550E+07	1.520E+07		0.0029	0.0029	0.0214	0.0210
5p <sub>1/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.084E+07	1.080E+07		0.0068	0.0068	0.0914	0.0913
6p <sub>1/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	8.170E+06	8.230E+06		0.0168	0.0170	0.4108	0.4140
7p <sub>1/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	6.625E+06	6.600E+06		0.0522	0.0520	2.4905	2.4900
8p <sub>1/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	5.884E+06	5.930E+06		0.3184	0.3210	39.8587	40.2000
2p <sub>3/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	7.989E+07	7.800E+07		0.0003	0.0003	0.0010	0.0009
3p <sub>3/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	4.828E+07	4.840E+07		0.0011	0.0012	0.0085	0.0085
4p <sub>3/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	3.101E+07	3.030E+07		0.0029	0.0028	0.0427	0.0418
5p <sub>3/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	2.168E+07	2.170E+07		0.0068	0.0068	0.1830	0.1830
6p <sub>3/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.635E+07	1.650E+07		0.0168	0.0170	0.8224	0.8310
7p <sub>3/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.326E+07	1.320E+07		0.0522	0.0521	4.9868	4.9700
8p <sub>3/2</sub> → 9s <sub>1/2</sub>	1.178E+07	1.180E+07		0.3188	0.3200	79.8675	80.2000

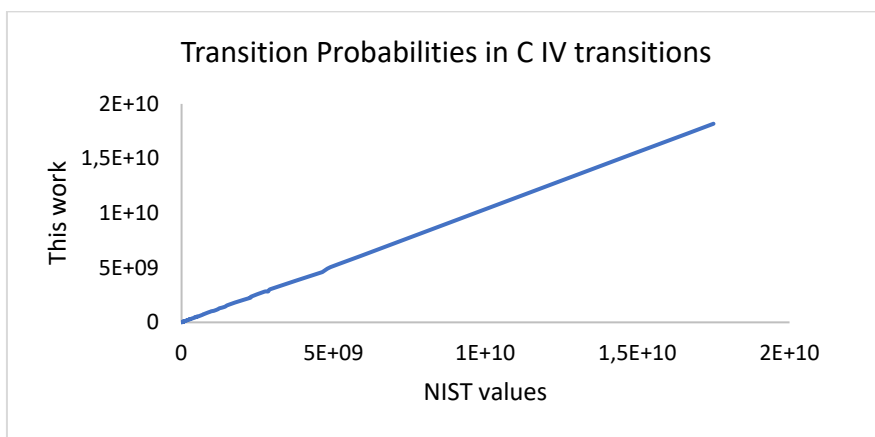


Figure 1. Plot of transition probabilities listed in the NIST database and corresponding calculated values

**Table II.** Lifetimes of Rydberg levels of C IV

State	Lifetime (ns)	State	Lifetime (ns)	State	Lifetime (ns)	State	Lifetime (ns)	State	Lifetime (ns)
3s	0.236	2p	3.658	4d	0.127	4f	0.281	5g	0.918
4s	0.377	3p	0.216	5d	0.244	5f	0.544	6g	1.571
5s	0.626	4p	0.346	6d	0.416	6f	0.932	7g	2.479
6s	0.992	5p	0.573	7d	0.655	7f	1.467	8g	3.681
7s	1.495	6p	0.906	8d	0.971	8f	2.175	9g	5.216
8s	2.157	7p	1.362	9d	1.374	9f	3.080	10g	7.126
9s	3.000	8p	1.961	10d	1.877	10f	4.206	11g	9.452
10s	4.046	9p	2.723	11d	2.489	11f	5.577	12g	12.235
11s	5.317	10p	3.665	12d	3.222	12f	7.218	13g	15.516
12s	6.837	11p	4.810	13d	4.086	13f	9.152	14g	19.337
13s	8.627	12p	6.176	14d	5.093	14f	11.404	15g	23.739
14s	10.711	13p	7.784	15d	6.253	15f	13.998	16g	28.763
15s	13.111	14p	9.653	16d	7.577	16f	16.960	17g	34.450
16s	15.849	15p	11.804	17d	9.077	17f	20.311	18g	40.841
17s	18.948	16p	14.256	18d	10.763	18f	24.079	19g	47.978
18s	22.432	17p	17.030	19d	12.646	19f	28.285	20g	55.902
19s	26.322	18p	20.145	20d	14.737	20f	32.956	21g	64.654
20s	30.641	19p	23.622	21d	17.046	21f	38.115	22g	74.275
21s	35.412	20p	27.481	22d	19.586	22f	43.786	23g	84.807
22s	40.658	21p	31.742	23d	22.366	23f	49.994	24g	96.292
23s	46.401	22p	36.424	24d	25.398	24f	56.764	25g	108.769
24s	52.665	23p	41.548	25d	28.692	25f	64.119		
25s	59.471	24p	47.134						
		25p	53.202						

A locally developed python program was used to fit a polynomial for each of the known values of lifetimes of Rydberg series. The lifetime for the series ns, np, nd, nf, and ng can be given a function of principal quantum number ( $n$ ) in the form of a sixth-degree polynomial; the coefficients for the respective series are given in Table III

$$\tau_n = a_0 + a_1n + a_2n^2 + a_3n^3 + a_4n^4 + a_5n^5 + a_6n^6$$

**Table III.** Coefficients of the sixth-degree polynomial for calculation of lifetimes of C IV series

Series	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$	'n' value
ng	-8.26E-04	-8.90E-03	5.07E-03	6.63E-03	9.77E-06	-2.11E-07	1.93E-09	$5 \leq n$
nf	-7.74E-03	-2.88E-04	2.22E-03	3.97E-03	2.90E-06	-5.50E-08	4.56E-10	$4 \leq n$
nd	-1.73E-03	3.33E-04	8.48E-04	1.77E-03	1.91E-06	-4.40E-08	4.28E-10	$4 \leq n$
np	2.15E-01	-7.53E-02	1.98E-02	1.49E-03	9.59E-05	-2.56E-06	2.75E-08	$3 \leq n$
ns	2.30E-01	-7.87E-02	2.05E-02	1.75E-03	1.05E-04	-2.79E-06	2.99E-08	$3 \leq n$

## CONCLUSION

An extended work has been carried out to determine the transition probabilities, oscillator strengths, and line strength for the transition in Rydberg levels of C IV. Total of 5250 transitions were studied. The calculated values were compared with the reported and NIST database values. The NIST database only contains 224 out of 5250 transitions (see Table I). That is, most of the values are reported for the first time. The maximum value of transition probabilities does not occur between the two lowest-lying levels, as is the case of the Li atom; instead, it occurs for the transition  $1s^23d_{3/2} - 1s^22p_{1/2}$ . Most transition probabilities are close to the reported values; a difference up to 7% has been observed in a few cases. A 99.9% correlation is found between calculated and known values of Transition probabilities (see Fig. 1). The comparison of calculated values of oscillator strengths and lines strengths with those listed in NIST shows a good agreement. Only 224 values of transition probabilities, oscillator strengths, and line strengths have been presented in this manuscript; a separate supplementary file contains all the 5250 values. The lifetimes of the first 25 levels of the Rydberg Series ns, np, nd, nf, and ng have also been calculated. A function of principal quantum number can calculate the lifetime; a sixth-degree polynomial gives this function for each Rydberg series for C IV.

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#### РОЗРАХУНОК ХАРАКТЕРИСТИК С IV ПЕРЕХОДІВ

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У цьому дослідженні ми обчислили ймовірності переходів, потужність лінії та потужність осцилятора понад 5000 переходів у С IV. Дуже небагато значень цих спектроскопічних характеристик були раніше відомі та повідомлені. На основі поєднання моделі найслабшого зв'язку електрона та чисельної апроксимації метод розрахунку показує надійні значення, оскільки кореляція між відомими та обчисленими значеннями висока. Ймовірності переходу, розраховані в цій роботі, порівнюються з доступними значеннями бази даних NIST і тими, що містяться в літературі, і спостерігається досить хороша згода. Тривалість життя рівнів Рідберга ns, nr, nd, nf, ng була повідомлена до n = 25. Було розроблено загальний поліном шостого ступеня, який генерує час життя С IV із достатньою точністю. Більшість представлених результатів є новими.

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