response time, $\tau_{\rm R}$

Also contains definition of: rise time

of a radiation detector

of a detector

The time required for the detector output to go from the initial value to a percentage (e.g. 99%) of the final value. In the case of an exponential behaviour of the detector $\tau_{\rm R}$ can be related to the time constant $\tau_{\rm c}$. The rise time $\tau_{\rm r}$ is the time required for the detector output to vary between given percentages (e.g. from 10% to 90%) of the final value. Similarly, the fall time $\tau_{\rm f}$ is the time required for the detector output to vary between given percentages (e.g. from 10%) of the initial value.

Source:

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