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ABSTRACT

This report surveys the activities in fundamental research from July 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981 at the three institutes of the KfK which are concerned with nuclear physics. The research program comprises laser spectroscopy, nuclear reactions with light ions and physics at medium and higher energies.

ZUSAMMENFASSUNG.

Der vorliegende Bericht gibt einen Überblick über die Arbeiten an den drei Kernphysikalischen Instituten des Kernforschungszentrums Karlsruhe im Zeitraum vom 1. Juli 1980 bis zum 30.Juni 1981. Das Forschungsprogramm umfaßt die Gebiete Laserspektroskopie, Kernreaktionen mit leichten Kernen, sowie Mittel- und Hochenergiephysik. Die drei kernphysikalisch arbeitenden Teilinstitute des Kernforschungszentrums Karlsruhe legen zum ersten Mal einen gemeinsamen Bericht über die Arbeiten des vergangenen Jahres vor. Dieser Bericht soll neben dem seit einiger Zeit durchgeführten gemeinsamen Seminar die Zusammenarbeit der Institute unterstreichen.

Ein Teil der Arbeiten macht Gebrauch von dem im Kernforschungszentrum vorhandenen Zyklotron, andere sind auf Nutzung auswärtiger Großforschungseinrichtungen orientiert, wobei aber die technischen Möglichkeiten des Kernforschungszentrums, insbesondere auch die leistungsfähige Grossrechenanlage, eine wesentliche Voraussetzung darstellen.

Wir hoffen, daß durch diesen Bericht einem größeren Interessentenkreis ein Einblick in die kernphysikalischen Arbeiten im Kernforschungzentrum Karlsruhe ermöglicht wird.

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Am Institut für Kernphysik 1 wurden drei Arbeitsgruppen im Bereich der kernphysikalischen Grundlagenforschung eingerichtet:

 Physik schneller Neutronen: Am polarisierten Neutronenstrahl des Karlsruher Zyklotrons werden Streuexperimente an sehr leichten Kernen durchgeführt. Ziele sind die präzise Bestimmung von Nukleon-Nukleon-Phasen aus n-p-Streuexperimenten mit polarisierten Teilchen sowie die Untersuchung der Struktur des ⁴Helium-Kernes. Ähnlichen Zielen dienen hochauflösende Messungen von neutroneninduzierten Reaktionen am Flugzeitspektrometer des Zyklotrons.

Experimentierhalle und Kollimatoranlage sind fertiggestellt, erste Messungen wurden bereits erfolgreich ausgeführt.

- 2. Elementarteilchenphysik: Die Gruppe hat in einer deutschfranzösischen Kollaboration mit Physikern aus sechs Laboratorien das Detektorsystem CELLO erstellt und Anfang 1980 am e⁺e⁻ Speicherring PETRA in Betrieb genommen. Der Detektor dient Experimenten zur Untersuchung von e⁺e⁻ Stößen bei den höchsten zur Zeit erreichbaren Energien. Mit seinem modernen Flüssig-Argon-Kalorimeter ist CELLO besonders geeignet, die elektromagnetische Komponente in diesen Reaktionen zu untersuchen. Damit werden z.B. genaue Studien der Quanten-Elektrodynamik, detaillierte Untersuchungen von Quark- und Gluon-Jets und die Suche nach neuen Quarks und ihren Eigenschaften möglich. Der Detektor arbeitet seit März 1980 in allen seinen Komponenten zufriedenstellend. Die 1980/81 genommenen Daten werden gegenwärtig analysiert.
- 3. Experimentelle Methoden: Eine kombinierte kryotechnische Anlage zur Erzeugung niedriger Temperaturen (<10 mK) und starker Magnetfelder (10 Tesla) befindet sich zur Zeit im Bau und wird Ende des Jahres 1981 in Betrieb gehen. Mit dieser Polarisationsanlage söllen große polarisierte Proben verschiedener Atomkerne für Streuexperimente mit schnellen polarisierten Neutronen erzeugt werden. Als Protonentarget wurde mit einer selbst entwickelten Hydrieranlage eine große Titan-Hydridprobe erfolg-

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Außer diesen Arbeiten wurden Voruntersuchungen für kernphysikalische Experimente an der geplanten deutschen Spallationsneutronenquelle, insbesondere auf dem Gebiet der Neutrinophysik,durchgeführt. Bei CERN hat sich unsere Gruppe in Fortsetzung einer langen Tradition auf dem Gebiet exotischer Atome auf das Projekt LEAR (Low Energy Antiproton Ring) konzentriert. Dieses Projekt, für dessen Zustandekommen sich Karlsruhe sehr stark eingesetzt hat, verspricht einmalige Arbeitsmöglichkeiten mit langsamen Antiprotonen. Schon für die erste Meßperiode sind zwei Experimentiervorschläge angenommen worden, von denen der eine ganz von Karlsruher Physikern getragen wird, während sie beim anderen in einer Kollaboration maßgeblich mitwirken. Der Karlsruher Vorschlag nutzt die von Herrn Simons vorgeschlagene Idee der Zyklotronfalle aus. Dieses Gerät soll am SIN erprobt und dann zum LEAR gebracht werden. Auch an den technischen Problemen der Erstellung von LEAR, insbesondere am Einsatz der Elektronenkühlung, ist Karlsruhe personell und finanziell beteiligt.

Die Experimente beim SIN befassen sich schwerpunktsmäßig mit Fragen der Pionwechselwirkung mit überschaubaren Systemen aus wenigen Nukleonen. Dies gilt für die komplementären Experimente mit Protonen bzw. Pionen im Eingangskanal. Durch Heranziehung der zusätzlichen Informationen, die man unter Ausnutzung von Polarisation erhalten kann, werden theoretische Annahmen, insbesondere über die Existenz von Dibaryonzuständen, überprüft.

Auch das von Karlsruhe entworfene Niederenergiespektrometer wird vorwiegend der Untersuchung sehr einfacher Systeme bei Energien nahe der Pionenschwelle dienen. Die Arbeiten des Institutes für Angewandte Kernphysik II auf dem Gebiete der kernphysikalischen Grundlagenforschung betreffen im wesentlichen drei Arbeitsgebiete:

- Am Karlsruher Isochronzyklotron werden Kernreaktionen untersucht, die durch α-Teilchen und ⁶Li-Ionen von 26 MeV/Nukleon induziert werden. Im Vordergrund stehen dabei die Bestimmung der Neutronendichte von Kernen aus der elastischen Streuung von α-Teilchen und die Untersuchung des Aufbruchs von ⁶Li-Ionen im Kernfeld. In Zusammenarbeit mit einer Gruppe von der Universität Krakau wurde beim Beschuß von ⁴⁰Ca mit ⁶Li-Ionen ein spaltungsähnlicher Prozeß entdeckt. Für Experimente mit schweren Ionen, die in naher Zukunft am Zyklotron zur Verfügung stehen werden, wird z.Z. ein Magnetspektrometer aufgebaut.
- 2. Mit laserspektroskopischen Methoden werden an sehr geringen Mengen ([<]_× ng) radioaktiver Atome Isotopieverschiebungen optischer Spektrallinien gemessen und daraus Kernradien bestimmt. Derartige Messungen gestatten es, die Abhängigkeit der Ladungsradien der Kerne von der Neutronenzahl über einen größeren Bereich zu verfolgen und u.a. Aussagen über die Kompressibilität der Kernmaterie zu machen.
- 3. Am Van-de-Graaff-Beschleuniger des Institutes werden Neutroneneinfangquerschnitte gemessen, die für das Verständnis der Elementsynthese in Sternen von Bedeutung sind. Dabei liegt das Schwergewicht darauf, durch kernphysikalische Messungen Aussagen über die physikalischen Bedingungen zu gewinnen, unter denen der sogenannte s-Prozeß der Elementsynthese abgelaufen ist.

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6. PERSONNEL

1. LASER SPECTROSCOPY

1.1 Laser Spectroscopic Measurements of Isotope Shifts in Calcium Isotopes

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There is considerable experimental and theoretical interest in charge and matter distributions in the chain of calcium isotopes between the doubly magic nuclei ⁴⁰Ca and ⁴⁸Ca. High resolution laser spectroscopy is one experimental technique particularly well suited to the study of charge distributions of the unstable as well as the stable isotopes of calcium. We report measurements of rms charge radii obtained by this technique for all the isotopes between ⁴⁰Ca and ⁴⁸Ca.



Fig. 1 Spectrum of $\frac{46,47,48}{26}$ Ca. For the measurement of ⁴⁷Ca $(t_{1/2} = 4.54 \text{ d})$ the sample contained only ~170 pg. In order to increase the observed signal without introducing optical pumping effects the polarization of the incoming laser beam was modulated at 5 MHz using a Pockels cell. This allowed for an increase in laser power (and hence signal) by a factor of at least 3, the only disadvantage being a small amount of broadening.

The measurements are based on the observation of the resonance fluorescence induced in a well-collimated atomic beam by the light of high resolution tunable cw dye lasers. Typical uncertainties in the measured isotope shifts were 1.5 MHz; the experimental line-width was about 42 MHz.



<u>Fig. 2</u>

Changes in rms charge radii for calcium isotopes, derived from the present work. Also shown for comparison are the muonic data, recent conventional optical spectroscopy results and the results of the Heidelberg laser spectroscopy group. The present results confirm the existence of a considerable oddeven staggering in this region; the rms charge radii of ⁴¹Ca and ⁴⁰Ca are equal whereas those of 47Ca and 48Ca differ slightly.

As an explanation of the peculiar behaviour of the nuclear charge radii in the ${}^{40}Ca - {}^{48}Ca$ isotopic series - the parabolic dependence on the number n of neutrons in the $f_{7/2}$ shell and the odd-even staggering - an admixture of excited states $|J_c = 2 f_{7/2}^n (J_1) J = J_0 >$ to the shell model states $|J_c = 0 f_{7/2}^n (J_0) J = J_0 >$ is suggested (1). In fact with only one parameter (the mixing matrix element) the experimental data are fairly well described.

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Attempt to Measure the Isotope Shift and Hyperfine Structure of $\frac{49}{Ca}$ (T_{1/2} = 8.7 min)

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An attempt was made to determine the isotope shift and hence the rms radius of the charge distribution of 49 Ca. This is an interesting quantity because 49 Ca, like 41 Ca, has one neutron outside a closed shell, in this case the f_{7/2} shell. With a nuclear spin I = 3/2 there are three 49 Ca hyperfine components. The isotope shift in calcium consists mainly of the mass effect; the field effect is negative. This means that for 49 Ca the expected large increase of $\delta < r^2 >$ over the 48 Ca value will lead to significant overlap of the resonance lines from the two isotopes.

For the production of 49 Ca four samples (each containing 1.5 mg of calcium enriched to 95 % 48 Ca) were irradiated with neutrons in the Karlsruhe Research Reactor FR2. After the electromagnetic mass-separation each sample contained 80 Ca fg 49 Ca, with a relative abundance 48 Ca: 49 Ca of 800 : 1.

Because of the very small quantities involved, the closeness of the resonance lines of 48 Ca and 49 Ca and the short half life (8.7 m) a "photon burst" method (1) was used for detection of the fluorescence. This method takes advantage of the time-correlation of the fluorescence quanta when an atom is excited many times in an intense laser beam. A count is registered only when within a given time interval (in this case 3.5 µs, the approximate time-of-flight of an atom through the laser beam) a preset number of photons (in this case 4) are detected. As the lifetime of the excited ${}^{1}P_{1}$ level is ${}^{\circ}4.5$ ns, many hundred excitations are possible in this time interval. Optical pumping effects were avoided by the use of a fast modulation of the laser beam polarization. With this technique the background (which consisted mainly of scattered laser light) could be nearly completely eliminated; also the Lorentzian wings of neighbouring lines could be strongly suppressed.

The spectra were stored in a multi-channel analyzer (operating in multiscaling mode) which was synchronized with the laser scan of 600 MHz. From each sample spectra were recorded for approximately 10 minutes.

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Fig. 1 Sample spectrum. The ⁴⁹Ca lines cannot be seen.

Fig. 1 shows one of the resulting spectra: only the 48 Ca line can be seen. As the 49 Ca components would almost certainly have been seen if they lay well away from the 48 Ca line, they probably lie under the 48 Ca profile. Symmetry tests of the 48 Ca profile were carried out but due to an inherent asymmetry (probably arising from laser scan nonlinearity) it was not possible to detect the presence of the 49 Ca lines. If it is taken that the lines lie under the 48 Ca line we obtain a field effect of -150 \pm 100 MHz and hence a notable $\delta < r^2 > {}_{48}, 49 {}_{49}$ of $.8 \pm .5 {\rm fm}^2$. However, the possibility cannot be ruled out that the the statistical noise in the wing of the 48 Ca peak.

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Measurements of isotope shifts and hyperfine structure of the resonance line in lead are in progress. Lead is of special interest because it has a magic number of protons and ²⁰⁸Pb is doubly magic. A large number

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Fig. 1 Fluorescence spectrum after excitation of the Pb resonance line $(6s^2 6p^{23}P_o - 6s^2 6p7s^3P_1^o)$ at $\lambda = 283.3$ nm with a 204,206,208_{Pb} sample.

of isotopes are accessible to study without needing to resort to on-line techniques, and extraction of nuclear information (mean square charge radii and nuclear moments) from the measurements is a relatively straight-forward process, due to the large mass of lead.

The method used is similar to that used for studies in barium and calcium. One important difference is that the resonance line (at 283.3 nm) is not accessible to tunable cw dye lasers, so a frequency doubling crystal is used to generate this wave-length from intense radiation at 566.6 nm from a ring dye laser. Using this technique we have been able to generate up to 0.3 mW of tunable single-mode radiation at the resonance wavelength. This is perfectly adequate for the performance of the experiment. A further difference in the experimental method is that as it is not convenient to frequency-double two dye lasers, the optical reference frequency is not provided by a second atomic beam of the element under study, but rather by a stable Fabry-Perot etalon. This is placed in a temperature-controlled mount and the spacing is electronically stabilized with use of a stable single-mode He-Ne laser. A second dye laser, running at 566.6 nm, is locked to a transmission mode of the etalon and this provides the necessary optical reference frequency.

Preliminary data have been obtained (without use of the reference laser) for the four stable isotopes. Fig. 1 shows a typical trace for the even isotopes $^{204-208}$ Pb. As a result of these experiments further modifications to the apparatus are in progress. The observed experimental line-width of less than 50 MHz will enable us to reach a precision higher than that of current classical spectroscopy experiments in lead (1). Preliminary tests show that a string of at least ten stable and unstable isotopes can be produced in sufficient quantities for study.

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2. LOW ENERGY PHYSICS

2.1 NEUTRON PHYSICS

2.1.1 <u>High Resolution Neutron Spectroscopy at the 190 m</u> <u>Neutron Flight Path</u> H.O. Klages, G. Schmalz, M.S. Abdel-Wahab⁺, D. Eversheim⁺⁺, B. Haesner, F. Hinterberger⁺⁺, L. Husson, J. Kecskemeti,⁺⁺⁺ P. Schwarz, and J. Wilczynski Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IK1 ⁺ Now at University of Kairo ⁺⁺⁺University of Bonn ⁺⁺⁺Acad. of Science, Budapest</sup>

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The time-of-flight neutron facility at the Karlsruhe cyclotron (1) contains 3 experimental areas which are connected by evacuated beam lines. Fig. 1 shows a schematic view of the apparatus.



Fig. 1 Schematic set-up of the Karlsruhe neutron time-offlight spectrometer. Neutron source and experimental areas are connected by evacuated beam tubes. Various collimators (K1 - K3) define the diameter of the neutron beam.



Fig. 3 The total cross section of ²⁰Ne for fast neutrons in the energy range from 1.5 to 40 MeV

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Inside the accelerating chamber of the Isochronous Cyclotron bunches of deuterons with energies around 50 MeV are deflected onto a thick uranium target. The high repetition rate of the cyclotron pulses of 33 Mc is reduced to 30 - 100 Kc by means of a special internal suppression system (2).

Up to 50 micropulses can be bunched to form a macropulse. These techniques lead to an average beam of 10 μ A on the target. For this value we obtain more than 10¹² neutrons•ster⁻¹ • sec⁻¹ at zero degree. The single "neutron-flash" has a pulse width of about 1 nsec. The energy spectrum of the pulsed neutron source contains all energies up to 40 MeV.

The use of the collimated neutron beam for scattering experiments and for the investigation of (n, charged particle)-reactions is described in the contributions 2.1.4, 2.1.6 and 2.1.8 of this report.

For a high resolution measurement of total neutron cross sections the detector is placed at a distance of 190 m from the uranium target. The collimator K1 defines a neutron beam with a diameter of 20 mm at the experimental area 1, where the material to be investigated is mounted into the neutron beam. A sample in-sample out measurement of the



Fig. 4

Enlarged part of the $n+{}^{20}$ Ne cross section; the lowest T=3/2 resonance in 21 Ne is indicated by the arrows. energy dependent transmission gives direct access to the total cross section.

Neutron time-of-flight spectra are taken using a TDC covering 65 536 channels, 250 psec width each. This is done by means of a specially designed TDC in connection to an on-line computer. A new development of an even faster TDC is described in contribution 2.1.5 in detail.

In the framework of the investigation of light nuclei we measured the total cross sections of the stable hydrogen and helium isotopes, respectively. The well-known resonance at 22.1 MeV in the ⁴He+n-system was clearly resolved. Fig. 2 shows the cross section together with a single level fit to the data. The associated resonance parameters (3) have been improved by a factor of 4. No narrow structure has been found for the hydrogen isotopes and for ³He.

In a collaboration with a group from the University of Bonn the neutron cross sections of ${}^{10}B$, ${}^{11}B$ and ${}^{20}Ne$ were measured to investigate the systematic behaviour of isospin forbidden transitions with increasing mass number (4). Fig. 3 shows the total cross sections of ${}^{20}Ne$ for neutrons from 1.5 to 40 MeV using a logarithmic energy scale for better



Fig. 5 One-level Breit-Wigner-fit to the lowest T=3/2 resonance in the $n+\frac{20}{Ne}$ cross section

representation at low energies. In Fig. 4 a part of the spectrum is enlarged to show the region of interest, where the lowest T=3/2 resonance is located in the nucleus ²¹Ne. Fig. 5 shows a single-level Breit-Wignerfit to the data and the deduced parameters.

The full resolution of the Karlsruhe spectrometer, which is better than 5 psec/m is necessary for this type of investigations.

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2.1.2 POLKA, a Polarized Fast Neutron Beam Facility at the Karlsruhe Cyclotron
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In 1979 a new activity was started at the Karlsruhe Isochronous Cyclotron. Adjacent to the existing experimental area a new hall has been constructed for fast neutron scattering experiments.

Fig. 1 shows a schematic view of the central part of the experimental arrangement, which was planned and installed in the meantime.

The external beam line of the cyclotron was extended into the new experimental area. The deuteron beam from the cyclotron hits a neutron producing target at a fixed energy of 52 MeV. A bending magnet behind the target leads to a beam dump. The target is surrounded by concrete walls 1 m to 1.5 m thick. At forward angles a special shielding composed of iron, boron-loaded polyethylen and lead is part of this walls. At five angles collimator-tubes are embedded in the shielding. Any open tube allows the extraction of a well collimated beam of fast neutrons into the scattering area outside the walls.



Fig. 1 Schematic view of the neutron collimator facility POLKA for the production of fast polarized neutron beams at the Karlsruhe cyclotron

The main interest of the neutron collimator facility lies in experiments with polarized neutrons at energies up to 70 MeV.

By far the best method to produce polarized neutron beams at the Karlsruhe Cyclotron is to use the polarization transfer in the reactions $D(\vec{d},\vec{n})$ and $T(\vec{d},\vec{n})$, respectively. For the first time, the polarized deuteron source (1) at the cyclotron will be used in connection with a liquid deuterium target. At 0° the emitted neutrons have energies up to 50 MeV. The main advantage lies in the fact that the polarization transfer coefficient $K_y^{y'}$ is nearly independent of energy and has the same value for the high energy part of the breakup neutrons at is has for the reaction peak (2).

In spite of the low intensity of the beam out of the polarized source (max. 50 nA) using a thick target (10 MeV energy loss) one can obtain about 10^6 neutrons/sec, collimated to a beam of 60 mm diameter at a distance of 5 m from the target.

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An experimental set-up including a scintillating scatterer detector as well as 16 detectors for the scattered neutrons is nearly completed. The arrangement for the on-line measurement of the deuteron beam polarization and the computer-based data acquisition system has been designed. The test runs for the shielding and the measurements of neutron beam profiles will be carried out in the near future. The first experiments planned are the measurements of the elastic \vec{n} -⁴He-scattering and the \vec{n} -p scattering for the neutron energy range from 20 to 50 MeV.

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2.1.3 Calibration of Neutron-Detectors Using Standard Neutron Beams B. Haesner, H.O. Klages, P. Schwarz, H. Klein⁺, and H. Schölermann⁺ Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IK1 ⁺Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt, Braunschweig

In the scattering experiments at the Karlsruhe cyclotron (2.1.4 and 2.1.8) we used two special neutron detectors, a liquid ³He-scintillationdetector (2.1.4) and a large volume (130 ltr) NE 213-detector (2.1.9). To get absolute cross sections it is necessary to know the efficiencies of these detectors. To measure absolute efficiencies one must have a well known neutron source. At the PTB in Braunschweig exists a neutron dosimetry facility where detectors can be calibrated with monoenergetic neutron beams. There the absolute neutron flux is known to better than 3 %. At this facility neutron energies from 2 to 20 MeV are available.

The two neutron detectors were calibrated at the facility of the PTB for neutron energies of 2.5 MeV and 20 MeV for the liquid ³He-scintillation detector and for 6 MeV, 9 MeV, 12 MeV and 20 MeV for the large detector.

The detectors were mounted behind each other at a distance of 11.6 m for the ³He-detector and 12.3 m for the large detector from the neutron target. The neutron beam was collimated down (1) to 60 mm diameter.



Fig. 1 Time-of-flight spectrum for neutrons of 2.45 MeV (³He-detector)-



Fig. 2 Pulse-height-spectrum of the ³He-detector bombarded with neutrons of 2.45 MeV. The small curve in this spectrum results from the background.

The 3 He detector could be moved out of the beam when the measurement was done with the NE 213 detector.

For every neutron energy three individual runs have been taken, one to determine the absolute neutron flux, another one to determine the background and finally a run with the neutron detector which had to be calibrated.

A small shielded scintillation detector was used to monitore all individual measurements. This detector was set up all the time at an angle of 145° and a distance of 6.45 m from the neutron target.

The neutron flux was measured with a proton telescope. The energy of the neutrons was determined by time-of-flight techniques. Fig. 1 shows a TOF-spectrum for the ³He-detector. The strong peak in this spectrum results from neutrons of the T(p,n)³He reaction, and the smaller peak from prompt gamma-quanta. This picture shows also that the peak to background ratio is nearly 10³. For the determination of the efficiency ε of the neutron detector the pulse-height spectrum of this detector was measured in coincidence



Fig. 3 Pulse-height-spectrum of the NE 213-detector bombarded with neutrons of 12 MeV.

with events of the neutron peak. Fig. 2 and 3 show the pulse-height spectra of the two detectors. The neutron energy for the liquid ³He detector was 2.45 MeV (Fig. 2) and for the NE 213-detector 12 MeV (Fig. 3). In both spectra the random background is very small due to the good shielding. For the liquid ³He-detector the calibration ought to be done with the reaction $n+^{3}He\rightarrow p+t$. The reaction peak can be easily identified in the pulse-height-spectrum.

The results of a first evaluation are:

- 1. Liquid ³He $\varepsilon = 0.042$, $E_n = 2.45$ MeV $\varepsilon = 0.002$, $E_n = 20$ MeV
- 2. NE 213-detector (2.1.9) $\varepsilon = 0.29$, $E_n = 6$ MeV $\varepsilon = 0.42$, $E_n = 9$ MeV $\varepsilon = 0.58$, $E_n = 12$ MeV $\varepsilon = 0.55$, $E_n = 20$ MeV.

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 2.1.4 Differential Cross Sections for the Elastic Scattering of Neutrons from ³He
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In connection with the investigation of the A=4-system with neutron and 3 He in the entrance channel differential cross sections for the elastic $n-{}^{3}$ He-scattering were measured. The experiment was carried out at the experimental area 2 of the Karlsruhe neutron time-of-flight spectrometer. The experimental set-up and the detectors for the scattered neutrons are described in chapter 2.1.8.



Fig. 1 Liquid ³He-scintillation-detector

A liquid ³Helium-scintillation detector (Fig. 1) served as a scatterer. Its active volume (70 mm \emptyset x 75 mm high) was chosen to match the collimated "white" neutron beam of the Karlsruhe cyclotron. The data acquisition was performed measuring 5 parameters, see chapter 2.1.8. Angular distributions for 13 different scattering angles from 25° to nearly 180° in the lab. system are evaluated for 20 energy bins from 2 to 30 MeV. Fig. 2 shows an isometric representation of the elastic scattering of neutrons from ³He for a neutron energy of 10 MeV and a scattering angle



Fig. 2 Isometric representation of the scattering for neutrons with an energy of 10 MeV from ³He at an angle of 160° (lab). T is the time-of-flight between scatterer and side detector and I represents the energy which is deposited in the scatterer. The events in the peak are due to neutrons elastically scattered from ³He while the background in the matrix results from inelastic process or multiscattering events or random coincidences.

of 160° in the lab. system. It makes evident that the multiparameter data analysis allows a clean separation of the true elastic events from the background. The complete analysis of the measured data has not been finished. Preliminary results are shown in Fig. 3.

The liquid ³He-detector was used simultaneously as a scatterer and as a monitor. Using the reaction $n+{}^{3}\text{He}\rightarrow p+t$ one has a unique control of the flux of the neutrons and of the density of the nuclei in the scatterer. Another advantage of this detector for monitoring is its unsensitivity to an electronical threshold because the peak of the reaction $n + {}^{3}\text{He} \rightarrow p + t$ can be separated in the impulse height spectra for all neutron energies due to the positive Q-value of 0.77 MeV.

The knowledge of the reaction cross section allows an absolute measurement of the neutron flux if the density of the liquid is known.



Fig. 3 Preliminary differential cross sections for the elastic n^{-3} He-scattering at 20 and 24 MeV.

 2.1.5 <u>A Time-to-Digital-Converter (TDC) with Subnanosecond Resolution</u> at High Repetition Rates by Dual Digital Interpolation G. Schmalz and H.O. Klages Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IK1

The neutron-time-of-flight spectrometer at the Karlsruhe Isochronous Cyclotron is a very efficient device. Its energy resolution for fast neutrons is unexcelled. An essential part of this is the highly precise measurement of the time-of-flight of gamma quanta and fast neutrons over a flight-path length of about 190 m. Therefore, it is necessary to measure time-intervals of some microseconds absolutely with a resolution distinctively better than a nanosecond. Moreover, the system must not have any nonlinearity. Commercial TDC's do not meet these specifications.

For this reason a TDC was developed which is directly connectable to an on-line data acquisition system.



Fig. 1 Block diagram of the TDC, the interpolators, the 200 Mc time base and the logic.



 $N_1 \times 5,02 + N_{\phi} \times 5 = TI + N_2 \times 5,02$

 $TI = 5 \times N_{\phi} + 5.02 (N_1 - N_2)$

 $TI = 5 \left[N_{\phi} + \frac{257}{256} \left(N_1 - N_2 \right) \right] [ns]$

 $TI = [256 N_{\phi} + 257 (N_1 - N_2)][bit]$

Fig. 2 Time diagram of a measurement and the equation to compute the time-interval (TI) equivalent address.

Specifications of the TDC

Repetition rate	100 Kc max.
Resolution	20 ps
Measuring-time preset	99 µs max.
Output	24 bit TTL parallel

Principle of measurement

To measure the time-interval between a start-pulse and a stop-pulse the periods of an extremely stable clock are counted. The quantization error of \pm 1 period is avoided by using a dual interpolation, i.e., an interpolation for the start-pulse and an interpolation for the stoppulse. By this method the resolution is improved to a small fraction of the period length of the time base.

Fig. 1 shows the block diagram of the TDC, the interpolator, the 200 Mc time base and the necessary logic circuit.

The oscillators of the two separate interpolators are phase coherently triggered by the start- and the stop-pulses, respectively. Their oscillator-period is precisely 5 $x^{257}/256 = 5.02$ ns by locking the VCO's to the 200 Mc time base in a PLL circuit and are fed into a counting chain. The outputs of the oscillators are mixed with the 200 Mc clock and the phase-crossover points (coincidences) are detected and stop the counting. The number of counts between start-pulse and startcoincidence is N1, that of the stop-interpolator N2. The first coincidenc signal starts a counter for the periods of the time-base-clock, the second coincidence stops this counter. The result is Nd. These three values N1, N2, Nø are fed into a parallel-working computer and have as a result a time equivalent address. So the time-interval-measurement is reduced to a digital counting and computing. The results of a first test-setup show that after some corrections of the printed boards (200 Mc multiplier and computing board) the TDC will fulfill the given specifications.

Fig. 2 shows the time-diagram of a measurement and the equation for the computing of the time interval between start- and stop-pulse. 2.1.6 <u>A New Evaluation of n+³He Reaction Cross Section Data</u> J. Kecskemeti⁺, B. Haesner, and H.O. Klages Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IK¹ ⁺Acad. of Science, Budapest

The reaction $n+{}^{3}$ He was investigated in the energy range $E_{n}=1-30$ MeV with the aim to determine the absolute cross sections for the reactions $n+{}^{3}$ He \rightarrow p+t and $n+{}^{3}$ He \rightarrow d+d, respectively. The experiments were carried out making use of the white neutron beam of the Karlsruhe time-of-flight facility.

The target, consisting of a large volume liquid ³He cryostat, served simultaneously as a 4π scintillation detector with 100 % efficiency for the charged reaction products. Because of their total energy deposit the p+t and d+d channels give well defined peaks in the spectra, as shown in Fig. 1. The continuous distribution is due mainly to the recoiled ³He nuclei from elastic scattering and partly to the break-up processes with much lower cross sections.



Fig. 1 Isometric display of the neutron-³He-interaction using a pulsed white neutron beam. T is the time-of-flight for the incoming neutrons whereas I denotes the pulse height in the liquid scintillator. The outermost ridge is due to the p+t-channel, the second maximum shows the d+d-events. The continuum at low pulse heights

stems from elastic scattering and break-up processes.

During the experiments the neutron flux was monitored with a very large volume "black neutron detector". A first evaluation of the data was done using the calculated efficiency of this detector. Because of normalization problems only relative cross sections could be obtained.

In order to overcome this shortage and also to avoid systematic errors from possible uncertainties of the efficiency calculations a new evaluation was made which is independent of the neutron flux and of the target properties. The main idea was to use the fact that in each possible final state of the $n+^{3}$ He reaction at least one charged particle is contained so that the total detected event number is proportional to the well known total $n+^{3}$ He cross section. Consequently, one has to determine the relative contributions of the p+t and d+d peaks in the measured spectra and then to multiply these ratios by the total cross sections to get the absolute reaction cross sections.

The problem to be solved in this evaluation method was to determine the continuation of the measured spectra below the detection threshold to zero energy.



Fig. 2 The evaluated reaction cross section data compared to detailed balance calculations based on an inverse reaction cross section evaluation by Drosg (1).

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As already mentioned the distribution in this region is determined by the elastic scattering and because of the good linearity of the ³He light response it has the shape of the c.m. angular distribution. It seems, therefore, to be reliable to get the continuation from the extrapolation of a smooth fit to the continuous distribution above the threshold.

In the present preliminary evaluation fourth and sixth order polynomial χ^2 fits were performed. In order to avoid the effect of the finite amplitude resolution no fit was made in regions where the d+d or the backward elastic peak dominate. The total n+³He cross sections were taken from a previous Karlsruhe measurement. The results for the reaction cross sections are shown in Fig. 2 together with those from a detailed balance calculation using the inverse cross section data of a compilation by Drosg (1). The statistical errors are generally less than 3 %, except for the low energy d+d data (= 10 %). The systematic error of the above procedure was estimated as follows:

We performed the calculations with continuing the measured spectra with a constant distribution. Since this corresponds to the physically true assumption that the elastic angular distribution does not drop at small angles, the results give an upper limit for the cross sections. At small energies (4 MeV) these were about 20 % higher than those from the polynomial fit. The deviation becomes smaller at higher energies, and is less than 10 % for $E_n > 15$ MeV.

A more complete analysis of the data, taking into account the finite amplitude resolution and the neutron energy resolution is in progress. It is hoped that this way we get decomposed the d+d and backward elastic peaks in the range $E_n = 7-13$ MeV with a simultaneous description of the angular distribution of the elastic scattering.

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2.1.7 Calibration of Neutron-Detectors by Means of a ²⁵²Cf-Source
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Due to the dependence of the efficiency of neutron-detectors on the geometry of the detector and the energy of the neutrons it is highly desirable to understand the response of a given neutron detector to a well-known neutron field. It is convenient to use a 252 Cf-fission source for the production of such a field with reasonable neutron intensities below 8 MeV. The 252 Cf-source was embedded in a low mass ionization chamber (1). This device gives a signal when spontaneous fission of 252 Cf occurs thus allowing a time-of-flight measurement for the neutrons emitted in the fission process. The energy spectrum of the fission neutrons is well represented by a Maxwell distribution (2,3). Our aim was to calibrate two detectors: a liquid ³He-scintillation detector (2.1.4) and a liquid NE 213 scintillator (17.8 cm Ø, 6.4 cm long). The ³He-detector had to be calibrated for the ³He (n,p) T reaction channel only. Knowing



Fig. 1

Efficiency curve for the NE 213-detector (a) and the ³He-detector (b).
the cross section for this reaction we obtain a monitor absolutely calibrated for neutron fluxes up to about 8 MeV.

We used an open geometry for the experimental set-up. A tungsten collimator of 44 cm thickness defined a neutron beam of 6 cm \emptyset at 220 cm distance from the source. We were able to close the collimator while conserving his outer geometry, allowing a comparatively precise determination of background neutrons scattered from the environment. However, it turned out that this method is not adequate for the lowenergy part of the neutron spectrum (\leq 1.5 MeV), due to contributions of neutrons having a long time-of-flight after scattering from the walls. With a fission rate of 71000 per second the source emits 3.7 times more neutrons into the full solid angle and about 12 neutrons per second into the detector. For both detectors time-of-flight and pulse-height spectra were measured. For the NE 213 scintillator neutron-gamma discrimination techniques were applied, in addition. The pulse-height spectra for individual neutron-energy intervals exhibited for the ³He-scintillator a clear separation of elastic scattering events from p plus t events in the reaction channel. The stability of the NE 213 detector was checked by means of a ²²Na source in subsequent runs. By integrating the pulse-height spectra for subsequent neutron-energy intervals and dividing by the amount of neutrons emitted by the Cf-source in the corresponding energy interval, we obtained the absolute efficiency of the detector. In case of the 3 Hedetector we only concentrate on the p plus t reaction peak in the pulseheight spectra.

Fig. 1b shows the efficiency for the 3 He (n,p)t reaction as a function of the neutron energy. Correspondingly, Fig. 1a shows the efficiency curve for the NE 213 detector.

However, there still exists a discrepancy between the cross sections determined in the present experiments and those evaluated by reciprocity considerations (4) from the inverse reaction. Once we have solved this problem we will be able to normalize other neutron scattering experiments, which overlap with the present experiment from 5-10 MeV of neutron energies, by using the ³He-scintillator as monitor.

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- 2.1.8 Elastic Scattering of Neutrons From Deuterium in the Energy Range 2 MeV - 30 Mev
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In the framework of the investigation of light nuclear systems two measurements of the elastic neutron-deuteron scattering were performed. The collimated "white" neutron beam of the Karlsruhe cyclotron enabled the measurement of differential cross sections in the energy range from 2 MeV to 30 MeV simultaneously.



Fig. 1 Experimental set-up at the 60 m flight path of the Karlsruhe cyclotron.

Fig. 1 shows the experimental set-up. In the first measurement a partial deuterated NE 213 scintillating scatterer was used for normalizing the neutron-deuteron cross section to the neutron-proton cross section. Two side detectors, one commercial \emptyset 7" x 3" NE 213 scintillator and one so called "black neutron detector" with a scintillation volume of 130 1 (see 2.1.9), were used to detect the scattered neutrons. In the second experiment a totally deuterated NE 213 scatterer was used with the same side detectors positioned at 14 different angles successively and an additional ring detector for the cross section near to 180°. The absolute calibration of the incident neutron flux was done by a ³He-cryostat (see 2.1.4).

The measured data were sampled in a multiparameter-analyzer. The obtained coincident informations for each event were:

- 1. Time-of-flight of the incident neutron
- 2. recoil-energy in the scatterer detector



Fig. 2 Kinematical matrix for 14 MeV neutrons. The recoil energy in the scatterer is plotted against the TOF of the scattered neutrons for a scattering angle of 45°.

- 3. pulse-shape-discrimination of the scatterer-detector
- 4. time-of-flight between scatterer and side-detector
- 5. recoil-energy in the side-detector

Data reduction was done in the following way: firstly 24 cuts were laid into the time-of-flight of the incident neutron to obtain 24 cross sections for well defined energy bins. In the second step the pulse-shape-discrimination was used to get rid of the gamma-background. Fig. 2 shows the third step of data reduction for the first measurement at the energy bin 13-15 MeV. The well defined kinematical situation delivered one peak for the n-d scattering and one peak for the n-p scattering in the matrix displayed. By applying narrow windows on both axes a separation of true events against random concidences, multiple scattering, and d-break-up was possible. In the last step one increment pulse height spectrum for each incident energy bin and each angle was built by gating the data lists with all informations and projecting the true events on the recoil axis of the side-detector. The integrals of these spectra are proportional to the differential cross section.

In the first measurement the absolute determination of the cross section depends on the normalization to the n-p scattering and the relative efficiency of the two side-detectors. In the second measurement the knowledge of the absolute detector-efficiencies, of the absolute neutronflux, and of the target-thickness is necessary. The final results are expected to be accurate within 3 % and will be obtained still in 1981.

2.1.9 Features of Large Volume Neutron Detectors P. Schwarz, B. Haesner, and H.O. Klages Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IK1

For the absolute calibration of fast neutron fluxes two so-called "black neutron detectors" (1,2) were built. Fig. 1 shows a side view of these two neutron-calorimeters. The first one (Fig. 1a) is 600 mm long and has a diameter of 500 mm. At its front it has an entrance channel of 100 mm length and 80 mm diameter. Five Valvo XP 2041 photomultiplier tubes are collecting the light output of the NE 213 scintillator. The second detector (Fig. 1b) has the following dimensions: length 900 mm, diameter 700 mm, entrance-channel length 200 mm, and channel diameter 80 mm.



Fig. 1

Schematical set-up of (a) the first black detector type and (b) the second design



Fig. 2 Light output spectrum for 12 MeV neutrons measured with a fourfold coincidence condition

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Six Valvo XP 2041 tubes are sampling the light out of the NE 224 scintillator.

The size and shape of the first black detector was fitted to the energy range ($E_n < 30$ MeV) of the white neutron beam of the Karlsruhe cyclotron by a Monte-Carlo-simulation, in which seven reaction-channels of neutrons with the scintillation material are included. Multiple scattering, light-attenuation in the scintillator and electronical processing of the scintillation-signals are included, too.

Several electronical set-ups were tested with calibrated monoenergetic neutron beams at the PTB in Braunschweig (see 2.1.3). For an energy equivalent signal the dynode outputs of all five multipliers were added during 400 ns. To get a timing signal for time-of-flight measurements two different set-ups were used. At first the anode-signals of the tubes 1,2,3 and 4 (Fig. 1a) were time-averaged in coincidence.

The obtained pulse height spectrum for 12 MeV neutrons is displayed



Fig. 3 Light output spectrum for 12 MeV neutrons, measured with a twofold coincidence. The dashed line indicates the normalized spectrum measured with the fourfold coincidence condition.

in Fig. 2. The good calorimetric property of this detector is indicated by the deep valley at small amplitudes. The efficiency of the detector in the described set-up is 58%. A second timing method with the multipliers 1 and 2 in coincidence delivered the energy-spectrum shown in Fig. 3. The efficiency for this method is 78 %. The dashed line in Fig. 3 indicates the normalized spectrum shape of the four fold coincidence timing shown in Fig. 2. The above mentioned Monte-Carlo-Simulation identified the region left of the dashed line as multiple scattered neutrons from the carbon nuclei in the scintillator. Since carbon has a largely smaller light output than hydrogen, those neutrons do not fulfill the sharper four fold coincidence condition. In all further measurements the decrease in efficiency was permitted in order to get the good calorimetrical property of the detector for neutron flux calibration. The time resolution obtained by this method was 2.5 ns.

For the measurement of neutrons with higher energies up to 50 MeV the second detector type (Fig. 1b) was built. To reach the same or even higher efficiency the scintillation volume was increased from 130 1 (first detector) to 350 1. Caused by the larger volume, the light paths to the multiplier tubes were increased. Therefore, the scintillator NE 224 was chosen, which has a light attenuation length of 2.5 m, whereas NE 213 has a light attenuation length of 1.5 m only. A comparison of both detectors at the white neutron beam revealed an efficiency increase of about 15 % over the energy range 5 MeV to 30 MeV.

Tests of the new detector at monoenergetic neutron beams will be performed.

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2.1.10 <u>Neutron-Neutron Scattering using the Neutron-</u> Spallation Source (SNQ)

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In connection with the discussion about nuclear physics experiments at the SNQ the possibility of a free neutron-neutron scattering experiment has been investigated. The high flux of thermal neutrons in the pulse peak supplies very high neutron density inside the moderator. This allows to observe free neutron-neutron scattering from an evacuated scattering volume in the moderator outside the biological shield through collimating neutron pipes. With the proposed features of the SNQ (1) providing a mean flux of 10^{14} neutrons/sec cm² in a scattering volume of 7000 cm³ a counting rate of about 5 scattered neutrons per second outside the biological shield may be expected. The peak flux should be as high as possible as it enters directly into the counting rate.

The quadratically flux dependent nn scattering effect will be separable from the linearly dependent background by flux variation.

For absolute calibration of the nn-cross section flux measurements inside the scattering volume and np reference measurements have to be performed.

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A new experimental method has been used to determine the isomeric ratio IR in neutron capture of 241 Am in a differential experiment. Thin 241 Am samples have been activated with monoenergetic neutrons of

14.75 meV and quasi monoenergetic neutrons of ~ 30 keV. The decay of the 242g Am nuclei produced has been determined by observing the emitted beta spectrum in a mini orange-spectrometer. The measurements have been performed relative to gold. The ratio $R_1 = \sigma_{\gamma} (^{241}Am \rightarrow ^{242g}Am)/\sigma_{\gamma}(Au)$ was found to be $R_1 = 5.79 \pm 0.33$ at 14.75 meV and $R_1 = 2.73 \pm 0.16$ at ~ 30 keV. The corresponding isomeric ratios IR = $\sigma_{\gamma} (^{241}Am \rightarrow ^{242g}Am)/\sigma_{\gamma} (^{241}Am)$ are IR = 0.92 ± 0.06 at 14.75 meV and IR = 0.65 ± 0.05 at ~ 30 keV.

Detailed theoretical calculations of the total capture cross section, the isomeric ratio and the capture gamma-ray spectra were performed in the energy range from 1 to 1000 keV taking advantage of recently available information on the discrete level scheme of ²⁴²Am. With the present knowledge on the level scheme of ²⁴²Am it seems to be difficult to reproduce the strong energy dependence of IR as indicated by the experimental results.

2.1.12 Fast Neutron Capture Cross Sections and Related Gamma-Ray Spectra of ⁹³Nb, ¹⁰³Rh, and ¹⁸¹Ta*
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The capture cross sections of 93 Nb, 103 Rh and 181 Ta were measured in the neutron energy range between 10 and 70 keV, using 197 Au as a standard. Most of the data points were obtained with a total uncertainty of 4 %. This was possible because of a detailed discussion of the systematic uncertainties involved. Extensive Hauser-Feshbach calculations were performed which yielded not only the neutron cross sections of the isotopes considered up to 4 MeV neutron energy but also partial capture cross sections and capture gamma-ray spectra. For these calculations a consistent set of input parameters was determined from available experimental information or from empirical systematics. The effect of these parameters on the results is discussed. 2.1.13 Determination of the Capture Widths of Neutron Resonances in ^{56,58}Fe in the Energy Range from 10 to 100 keV

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The capture widths of resonances in 56 Fe and 58 Fe have been determined using a pulsed 3 MV Van de Graaff-accelerator and the 7 Li(p,n) reaction. The samples were positioned at a flight path of 60 cm, capture events were detected by two ${}^{6}{}_{6}{}^{0}_{6}$ detectors and gold was used as a standard cross section. In spite of the short flight path an energy resolution of 1.7 ns/m was obtained which was sufficient to perform a detailed resonance analysis. The distance from sample to detector was large enough compared to the primary flight path to discriminate background due to capture of resonance scattered neutrons by time of flight. In this way, e.g., the capture width of the broad s-wave resonances in 58 Fe (43.4 keV and 66.7 keV) could be determined with improved accuracy. In Fig. 1 the experimental capture yield of 58 Fe is shown in the energy range from 36 to 70 keV. The solid line is the result of a shape analysis using the FANAC code of F. Fröhner.

During the experiments data were recorded from the two detectors in coincidence and anticoincidence mode. This allowed to deduce information on the relative gamma-ray multiplicity for individual resonances, which possibly may be related to the respective resonance spins.

As data analysis is not yet finished completely, final resonance parameters and uncertainties cannot be given. However, the statistical accuracy of the strong resonances is certainly better than 5 %.



Fig. 1 Neutron capture cross section of ⁵⁸Fe

2.1.14 Determination of the Capture Width of s-Wave Resonances in ⁵⁶Fe, ^{58,60}Ni and ²⁷A1

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The capture widths of s-wave resonances in 56 Fe (27.7 keV), 58 Ni (15.5 keV), ⁶⁰Ni (12.5 keV) and ²⁷A1 (34.7 keV) have been determined using a setup completely different from previous experiments. A pulsed 3 MV Van de Graaff-accelerator and the Li(p,n) reaction served as a neutron source. Capture gamma rays were observed by three Moxon-Rae detectors with different converter materials and gold was used as a standard. The samples were positioned at a flight path of 8.0 cm only. This allowed the use of very thin samples avoiding large multiple scattering corrections. Events due to capture of resonance scattered neutrons in the detector or surrounding materials were completely eliminated by time-of-flight. To demonstrate the experimental signal-to-background ratio Fig. 1 shows a time-of-flight spectrum taken with a ⁶⁰Ni sample. The corresponding background was measured with an empty position in the sample changer frame. The s-wave resonance at 12.5 keV is clearly isolated from the neighbouring p-wave resonances. The sample thickness used is 0.45 mm. In addition, data were taken with 0.3 and 0.15 mm thick samples.



Fig. 1 :Experimental TOF spectrum of the ⁶⁰Ni sample and the corresponding background. The main systematic uncertainty in a relative measurement using Moxon-Rae-detectors is caused by deviations of the detector efficiency from the ideal linear increase with gamma-ray energy. This holds especially in the present case as the capture gamma-ray spectra of the samples and the reference sample are quite different. To reduce this uncertainty, data were taken simultaneously from three detectors with different converter materials (graphite, mixed bismuth-graphite and pure bismuth). In addition detailed calculations of the capture gamma-ray spectra have been performed in the framework of the statistical model taking advantage of all available experimental information (e.g. on level schemes, gamma-decay branchings, level densities,cross sections etc.). These spectra together with the relative shape of the detector efficiency taken from literature allow to correct the data of each detector separately.

At present data evaluation is in progress.

2.1.15 The Neutron Capture Cross Sections of the Neon Isotopes in the Energy Range 5-400 keV J. Almeida and F. Käppeler Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II

The 22 Ne(α ,n) 25 Mg reaction taking place in the He-burning shell of red giant stars is believed to be the major neutron source for the sprocess. The study of the observed abundances of the heavy elements indicates (1) that $\&.2 \pm 0.5$ neutrons per Fe-seed should be captured by these heavy elements, while the stellar models show that up to 39 neutrons per Fe-seed may be produced by the 22 Ne(α ,n) reaction; the excess neutrons should be captured by isotopes lighter than 56 Fe. Due to their large abundances, 20,22 Ne are among the most important neutron absorbers. For this reason, we measured at the 3 MV pulsed Van de Graaff the capture cross sections of the three stable neon isotopes, using the time-of-flight method and a gold sample as a cross section standard. The flight path was 60 cm and the resolution achieved 1.2 ns; at 30 keV neutron energy this leads to an energy resolution of 0.22 keV.

The experimental set-up was essentially the same as that used by B. Leugers (2) with some modifications (3) leading to a larger efficiency and a better signal-to-background ratio. The sensitivity was thus improved



Fig. 1 Measured neutron capture cross sections of the neon isotopes in the energy range 5-200 keV

by about 50 %, and 8 weeks of measuring time were needed to obtain the results shown in Fig. 1. The resonances at 138 keV and 147 keV in 21 Ne and 20 Ne, respectively, were known from a previous transmission measurement (4). The 52 keV and 98 keV capture resonances in 21 Ne have not been seen in the total cross section. In 22 Ne, two wide resonances were observed in the total cross section at 260 and 305 keV; they were not found in this capture measurement, although the energy range from 200 to 400 keV was covered with an energy resolution of \sim 1 keV and a sensitivity of 3 mb.

The quantity of interest for the astrophysical problem mentioned above is the Maxwellian averaged capture cross section at kT $\gtrsim 30$ keV, corresponding to a temperature T $\gtrsim 3.5 \times 10^8$ K. From our measured cross sections we obtain the following averages at kT = 30 keV: 1.5 ± 0.6 , 1.6 ± 0.8 , 0.9 ± 0.6 mb for 20,21,22 Ne, respectively. The implications of these results for the neutron balance in the s-process are being investigated.

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2.1.16 s-Process Studies in the Light of New Experimental Cross Sections: Distribution of Neutron Fluences and r-Process Residuals*

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A best set of neutron-capture cross sections has been evaluated for the most important s-process isotopes. With this data base, s-process studies have been carried out using the traditional model which assumes a steady neutron flux and an exponential distribution of neutron irradiations. The calculated oN-curve is in excellent agreement with the empirical oN-values of pure s-process nuclei. Simultaneously, good agreement is found between the difference of solar and s-process abundances and the abundances of pure r-process nuclei. We also discuss the abundance pattern of the iron group elements where our s-process results complement the abundances obtained from explosive nuclear burning. The results obtained from the traditional s-process model such as seed abundances, mean neutron irradiations, or neutron densities are compared to recent stellar model calculations which assume the He-burning shells of red giant stars as the site for the s-process.

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We report on a complete (2E, 2v)-experiment for fast neutron induced fission on ²³⁵U. The energy dependence of fragment properties so far known only for thermal neutron induced fission is studied. Experimental problems as well as difficulties in data analysis are considered in detail in order to obtain clean and unbiased results. In particular, a self consistent determination of the fragment kinetic energies TKE was achieved by comparing the results obtained via the respective velocities and pulse heights. We find systematic discrepancies of 2 MeV if TKE is determined from the observed pulse heights using the calibration scheme of Schmitt et al. Therefore, refined calibration constants were deduced using accurate radiochemical mass yields.

Measurements were performed at neutron energies of 0.50 and 5.55 MeV. Our results include mean values of fragment properties before and after neutron evaporation e.g. of fragment velocities and masses, total kinetic

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energies, and the respective variances. We also show the distributions of fragment mass, of TKE and of the variance of TKE. In addition, the number of prompt fission neutrons v is given as a function of fragment mass. Our mass resolution of 2.1 amu reveals fine structure not only in the fragment mass distribution but also in TKE (A*) and v(A*).

For the lower neutron energy of 0.50 MeV the present results compare reasonably well with similar measurements performed with thermal neutrons. Apparently the 0.5 MeV increase in saddle point excitation does not alter the results significantly. The improved accuracy of this measurement is demonstrated by comparison of our neutron emission data with direct measurements of fission neutrons. At the higher neutron energy of 5.55 MeV we observe the expected decrease of shell and pairing effects which indicate an increase in nuclear temperature. These results are in qualitative agreement with the model of Wilkins, Chasman and Steinberg. However, a striking discrepancy exists for the number of fission neutrons where we find that the increase in the total number of fission neutrons is totally accounted for by heavy fragments alone.

 2.1.18 Neutron Capture Cross Section of ⁸⁰Kr in the Energy Range from 4 to 290 keV
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We have measured the 80 Kr(n, γ) 81 Kr cross section in an energy range from 4 to 290 keV relative to 197 Au. As a low lying isomeric state is known to exist in 81 Kr our data, by the method of measurement, represent the sum of the capture cross sections to the ground state and the isomer.

The experiment was performed by the time-of-flight (TOF) technique using a pulsed proton beam from the Karlsruhe 3.75 MV van de Graaff-accelerator with a repetition rate of 1 MHz. Neutrons were produced by the ⁷Li(p,n)⁷Be reaction and collimated by a ⁶Li/¹⁰B-arrangement. The four samples (Au, empty, ⁸⁰Kr, C) were mounted on a sample changer and are sequentially brought into the measuring position. The deexcitation gamma rays of the ⁸¹Kr nucleus were detected by two Maier-Leibnitz-detectors. Coincident events were rejected from the main spectra and separately recorded for later correction of multiple weighting.





We achieved an overall time resolution of 1.2 ns corresponding to an energy resolution of 200 eV at 30 keV. Monitoring of the neutron flux was performed by a 6 Li-glass detector at 90° to the beam axis. Fig. 1 shows the result of this measurement. From the data we calculated the Maxwell-averaged cross section to (282+13) mb. The quoted uncertainty arises mainly from systematic errors.

2.1.19 176 Lu:Cosmic Clock or Stellar Thermometer?*
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We quantitatively examine the various experimental and theoretical aspects of the stellar synthesis of the long-lived ground state of 176 Lu (3.6 x 10¹⁰ y). We discuss the various regimes of stellar temperature and free-neutron density in which either: (i) the internal electromagnetic couplings between ${}^{176}Lu^{\circ}$ and ${}^{176}Lu^{\circ}$ (3.68 hours) are sufficiently slow that they may be treated as separate nuclei, or (ii) the internal couplings are able to establish rapidly thermal equilibrium between 176 Lu^o and 176 Lu^m. Case (i) above allows 176 Lu^o to be used as a cosmic clock of galactic s-process nucleosynthesis. As experimental input to the cosmic clock, we have measured the 30-keV neutron capture cross sections: $\sigma({}^{170}\text{Yb}) = 766 \pm 30 \text{ mb}$ and $\sigma({}^{175}\text{Lu}) = 1266 \pm 43 \text{ mb}$. This latter value also yields the branching ratio, B, to ¹⁷⁶Lu^o from neutron capture on ¹⁷⁵Lu as: B(24 keV) = 0.362 + 0.038. Using abundance and cross-section systematics, we derive an upper limit on the mean s-process age of solar material of 11 x 10^9 y before the solidification of the meteorites. By requiring the solar abundance of 170 Yb to be consistent with the same oN systematics, we can also bracket the allowable range for the average s-process neutron density as: 10^7 cm⁻³ \leq <n> \leq 4 x 10^7 cm⁻³. However, for sufficiently high stellar temperatures, case (ii) above implies that the total effective half-life of ¹⁷⁶Lu against beta decay becomes a very strong function of the stellar temperature: $t_{1/2}(^{176}Lu) = 18.5 \exp(14.7/T_8)$ hours for $T_8 > 1$, and thus the $176_{Lu} \rightarrow 176_{Hf}$ decay would constitute a sensitive stellar s-process thermometer. We show that the fact that 176 Lu does

exist in the solar system can place firm constraints on the temperature and neutron density of current models for the site of the s-process. Our preliminary studies indicate that the decay of ${}^{176}Lu^{o}$ can be unambiguously used as a cosmic clock of nucleosynthesis only if the s-process occurs in nature at temperatures $T_{g} < 1.9$.

2.1.20 Neutron Capture Nucleosynthesis of Nature's Rarest Stable Isotope* H. Beer and R.A. Ward⁺ Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺Max-Planck-Institut für Physik und Astrophysik, Garching *Nature <u>291</u>, 308 (1981)

 180 Ta with a solar abundance of 2.46 x 10^{-6} (Si=10⁶) is nature's rarest stable isotope. Until now it was not possible to explain its origin satisfactorily by spallation which is the commonly assumed source of 180 Ta. This is due to insufficient knowledge of the 180 Ta level scheme. In the present investigation an alternative production mechanism is proposed. The 180 Ta abundance is explained by a small branching in the s- or post r-process neutron capture nucleosynthesis. In this picture the population of an isomeric state in 180 Hf^m is of crucial importance. The population of this isomer by 30 keV neutron capture on 179 Hf has been determined to 0.9 ± 0.1 %.

2.1.21 On the Origin of the Solar System Abundances of ¹¹³In, ¹¹⁴Sn, and ¹¹⁵Sn* R.A. Ward⁺ and H. Beer Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺Max-Planck-Institut für Physik und Astrophysik, Garching *Astron. & Astrophys. (in press)

The neutron-capture cross section of 114 Cd to the 53.38 h ground state in 115 Cd has been measured via neutron activation. Using this result in conjunction with the total neutron-capture rate of 114 Cd, the relative

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population of 115 Cd^o (53.38 h) was found to be 0.78 ± 0.13 at an energy appropriate to 30 keV stellar neutrons. In addition, we have quantitatively examined the isomeric structure of the key nuclei: 113 Cd, 114 In, 115 Cd, and 115 In which all crucially influence the neutron-capture flows of the s-process as well as the final beta-decays of the r-process in the Cd-In-Sn region. Using temperature and free-neutron histories of various stellar s-process environments, we find that a simple combination of separate s- and r-process components can generally reproduce most of the solar abundances of 113 In and 115 Sn under typical stellar conditions. Resulting implications for various models of the p-process are also discussed.

2.1.22 Fast Neutron Capture on ¹⁸⁰Hf and ¹⁸⁴W and the Solar Hafnium and Tungsten Abundances*
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The capture cross sections of ¹⁸⁰Hf and ¹⁸⁴W were measured by the activation method and via direct detection of prompt gamma rays, respectively. The Maxwellian averaged cross sections for kT = 30 keV were used to decompose the solar isotopic Hf- and W-abundances into s- and r-process contributions. Examination of the r-process contributions yielded evidence that the abundances of Hf and W might be smaller than quoted in recent abundance compilations. Therefore it is proposed to reconsider the information from meteorite analyses and to perform new measurements, if necessary.

2.1.23 <u>Measurement of the Neutron Capture Cross Sections</u> $\frac{152}{\text{Sm} (n,\gamma)} \frac{153}{\text{Sm}}, \frac{151}{\text{Eu} (n,\gamma)} \frac{152}{\text{Eu}^m}, \frac{152,158,160}{\text{Gd}(n,\gamma)}$ and the Study of the s-Process Branching at $\frac{151}{\text{Sm}} \frac{152}{\text{Eu}}$ H. Beer, R.A. Ward⁺, and F. Käppeler Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II +Max-Planck-Institut für Physik und Astrophysik, Garching

The ¹⁵¹Sm-¹⁵²Eu decay has already been used by Burbidge et al. (1) to estimate the time scale of s-process neutron capture. At ¹⁵¹Sm the s-process path is branched due to the competition of neutron capture and B^- -decay. A second branching occurs at 152 Eu. This is the result of B-decay and electron capture both from the 9.3 h isomeric state and the 12.4 yr ground state. The s-process flow through these various branching points leads to the production of the rare nucleus 152 Gd. The solar abundance of this isotope is not explained quantitatively by p-process nucleosynthesis. The p-process calculations of Audouze and Truran (2) and Woosley and Howard (3) account only for a small fraction (4-6 %) of the 152 Gd abundance. Therefore the s-process must act as the main source of the solar 152 Gd. As the 151 Sm and 152 Eu branching points depend on temperature and neutron density, the s-process yield of 152 Gd provides constraints for these important parameters.

For a quantitative study of the 151 Sm- 152 Eu branching neutron capture cross section measurements on 152 Sm(n, γ), 151 Eu(n, γ) 152 Eu^m 152,158,160_{Gd}(n, γ) were carried out using the activation technique as described elsewhere (4). In Table 1 the results are summarized. The quoted capture cross sections already constitute the Maxwellian averages for kT = 25 keV.

Table 1: Capture cross sections measured by the activation technique

Target nucleus	$\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{v_{\rm T}}$ (mb) at kT = 25 keV	
151 152 ^{Eu} 152 Sm 158 ^{Gd} 160 ^{Gd} Gd	2051 + 148* 440 + 27 1144 + 71 242 + 21 159 + 15	

*Cross section to the 9.3 h isomer in 152 Eu

The temperature dependence of the 152 Eu and the 151 Sm decay has been calculated by Cosner and Truran (5) between T = 10^8 K and 10^9 K. Using their results together with the present capture cross sections and supplementary



Fig. 1 The abundance of 152 Gd that can be made in s-process nucleosynthesis under various stellar temperatures (T₈) and neutron densities (n_n). The solar abundance of 152 Gd is indicated by the dashed line.

data from literature, the s-process production of 152 Gd can be calculated as a function of temperature and neutron density. This is shown in Fig. 1. The solar 152 Gd abundance is indicated by a dashed line. The assumption of a typical s-process temperature of 3.5×10^8 K (kT = 30 keV) would imply a mean neutron density of $n_n = 10^8$ Neutrons/cm³ ($\phi \cong 2.4 \times 10^{16}$ Neutrons/cm² s) in order to reproduce the solar 152 Gd abundance.

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Activation Measurements of Relevance to the $\frac{85}{\text{Kr Branching:}} \frac{84}{\text{Kr}(n,\gamma)} \frac{85}{\text{Kr and}} \frac{86}{\text{Kr}(n,\gamma)} \frac{87}{\text{Kr}}$ H. Beer, R.-D. Penzhorn⁺, and F. Käppeler Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IRCh

An accurate quantitative analysis of the ⁸⁵Kr branching is of great importance for the pulsed s-process model of Cosner, Iben, and Truran (1). Calculations carried out by these authors with estimated neutron capture cross sections yielded strong overproduction of ⁸⁶Kr and ⁸⁷Rb as well as corresponding underproduction of ^{86,87}Sr relative to solar abundances.



Fig. 1 Details of the neutron capture and isomeric branching of ⁸⁵Kr (all indicated energies are in MeV).

In order to decide whether this discrepancy is model-dependent or simply the result of wrong capture cross sections, the present activation measurements were performed. A recent analysis of Käppeler et al. (2) showed that besides the capture cross section

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of ⁸⁶Kr the most important quantity needed is the population of the 4.5 h isomeric state of ⁸⁵Kr by 30 keV neutron capture. Fig. 1 demonstrates that a quick thermal equilibration of this isomer with the ground state via other excited levels is very unlikely because the next state is situated at 1.1075 MeV. Therefore the ground and the isomeric state must be treated as two different species that contribute to the s-process capture flow depending upon their respective initial populations.



Fig. 2 The gamma-ray spectrum from the activation of natural Kr measured with a Ge(Li) detector. The gamma-ray lines are related to the activated radionuclei 85 Kr^m and 87 Kr via the characteristic gamma energy E_y and the half life of the decay.

In view of the fact that no stable compounds of krypton are known, it was not possible to prepare a conventional Kr-sample suited for the activation method of Beer and Käppeler (3). However, this problem could be circumvented by the incorporation of Kr into the crystal lattice of zeolite 5A (4). This matrix has been shown to withstand high temperatures and intense neutron irradiation (5). The employed zeolite 5A pellets had a loading of 66.3 ± 1.4 cm³ (STP) Kr/g zeolite (referred to unloaded matrix). From this material an activation sample was prepared by pressing 50 mg into a self-supporting tablet of 6 mm diameter. Fig. 2 shows the gamma-ray spectrum of this sample together with the characteristic decay lines of 85 Kr^m and 87 Kr. The spectrum was obtained in a 1 h counting period. While this first activation, which demonstrates the feasibility of the technique, was carried out with natural krypton, mainly with the aim of determining the capture cross section to the 4.5 h 85 Kr^m isomeric state, future experiments are in preparation with enriched 86 Kr. These 86 Kr-zeolite samples will permit an even more accurate measurement of the 86 Kr capture cross section.

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 2.1.25 A Determination of the Xenon Isotopic Neutron Cross Sections for the Evaluation of the Solar Xenon Abundance and for the Analysis of Isotopic Anomalies H. Beer, G. Reffo⁺, F. Fabbri⁺, and F. Käppeler Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II
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The element xenon with 9 stable isotopes exhibits a unique pattern for the study of isotopic anomalies: two isotopes, respectively, are exclusively synthesized in the s-, r- and p-process whereas the abundances of the remaining three isotopes are a mixture of s- and r-process contributions. Among the various anomalies of xenon pure s-process xenon was found by Srinivasan and Anders (1) and the complementary pattern characterized by a simultaneous enrichment of the light and heavy isotopes was reported by Lewis et al. (2). This latter pattern has been interpreted by Clayton and Ward (3) as a deficiency in normal solar s-process xenon. The analysis of the above anomalies requires accurate neutron capture cross sections of ¹²⁸,129,130,131,132 Xe. In addition, the capture cross sections of s-only 128,130 Xe are important to estimate the solar xenon abundance through s-process systematics. In the case of xenon, the common abundance determinations from meteorite analyses or from the emission spectrum of the sun fail for physical reasons. The capture cross section of 134 Xe might be of importance in connection with a possible partial s-process synthesis of this isotope according to the pulsed s-process model of Cosner, Iben and Truran (4).

As highly enriched isotopes are not easily available for the measurement of the isotopic xenon capture cross sections, activation 124,132,134 Xe were supplemented by Hauser-Feshbach calculations for the other isotopes. In these calculations the measured cross sections are important because they allow the determination of an improved set of average model parameters for the individual nuclei in the isotopic chain. The measurements were performed using the activation technique of Beer and Käppeler (5). The natural Xe-sample consisted of a compound of sodiumperxenat (Na₄XeO₆) pressed to a self-supporting tablet. This sample was sandwiched between two gold foils which served as a neutron capture standard.

In Table 1 the results of the measurements and of the calculations are summarized. The activation measurements yielded also the Maxwellian averaged capture cross section of 23 Na, $\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{v_{T}} = 2.78 \pm 0.15$ mb. This value is in excellent agreement with existing differential cross section data and therefore ensures the correct stoichiometry of the compound.

Target nucleus	$\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{v_{\rm T}}$ (mb) at kT = 25 keV	
	experimental	theoretical
124 129 Xe	1134 + 114	
128 120 Xe	_	298
129 120 ^{Xe}		622
130 124Xe		220
Xe		464
132 132 Xe	69 + 4	77
134 Xe	34 + 2	38
136 22 Xe	_	2,5
²³ Na	2.78 + 0.15	

Table 1 Maxwellian averaged capture cross sections

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2.2 NEUTRINO PHYSICS

2.2.1 Calculation of the Neutrino Flux and Background Contributions from a Spallation Neutron Source J. Wilczynski Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IK1

By using a Monte Carlo Code (2) the neutrino flux produced by a proton beam incident on a heavy target was calculated. The neutrinos are produced in the decay of the stopped charged pions and muons. Because of the capture of the negative charged pions and muons by the nuclei of the target material the neutrino flux is dominated by the v_{μ} from π^+ decay and the v_e , \bar{v}_{μ} from μ^+ decay.

In Fig. 1 the total number of v_{μ} from π^+ decay is presented as a function of proton energy and target material. The v_{μ} yield is a linear function of the proton energy and decreases with increasing mass number of the target material. The energy dependent v_{μ} and \bar{v}_{μ} , v_{e} flux at a distance of 6 m from the spallation source is shown in Fig. 2 for 1.1 GeV protons incident on a Pb target. The v_{μ} spectrum is dominated by the neutrinos from μ^+ decay at rest (E = 29.8 MeV), while the small continuous background of the spectrum originates from π^+ decay in flight. The energy spectrum of the \bar{v}_{μ} and v_{e} is continuous because of the three-body-decay of the muon and shows a cutoff energy of E = $\frac{1}{2}$ m_{μ} * C₂.

The time dependence of the neutrinos from π^+ and μ^+ decay is shown in Fig. 3 assuming a 200 ns proton pulse width, a frequency of 100 Hz, and an average proton current of 1 mA. The energy of the pulsed proton beam incident on a Pb target was assumed to be 1.1 GeV. Due to the difference in the lifetimes of the pion and the muon the ν_{μ} contribution dominates during the 200 ns proton pulse, while the $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$, ν_{e} contribution increases much slower.



Fig. 1 The number of v_{μ} produced per proton as a function of proton energy and target material



Fig. 2 Energy dependent neutrino flux at 6 m for 1.1 GeV protons incident on a Pb target



Fig. 3 Time dependence of the neutrino source strength at the spallation neutron source (t $_{p}$ = 200 ns, \overline{I}_{p} = 1 mA, f = 100 Hz)



Fig. 4 Attenuation of the neutron and gamma-ray flux as a function of the iron shield thickness



Fig. 5 Time dependence of the neutron and gamma-ray flux at a distance of 12 m from the spallation source

- I: thermal neutrons
- II: low energy neutrons; 0.4 eV < E_{n} < 1 MeV
- III: fast neutrons, $E_n > 1 \text{ MeV}$
- IV: gamma rays

The neutron and gamma-ray background from the spallation source was calculated by radiation transport codes, which use the method of discrete ordinates (3). The attenuation of the energy integrated neutron and gamma ray flux is presented in Fig. 4 as a function of the thickness of the source shielding. The curves show the expected exponential behaviour. In the case of a shield thickness of 8 m of iron

the neutron and gamma ray flux will be suppressed by about 18 orders of magnitude. This will be sufficient to reduce the background event rate in a neutrino detector to a negligible level. Fig. 5 shows the time dependence of this background from the spallation source assuming the same parameters as in Fig. 3 for a shielding of 8 m of iron. Details of the calculations of the neutrino fluxes and background contributions are described in Ref. 1.

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2.2.2 Neutrino Physics at the Spallation Neutron Source
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As part of the feasibility study for a high intense spallation neutron source SNQ ref. (1) the advantages of the intense proton beam for parallel use in neutrino physics were discussed. The computations required in this context were carried out as a collaboration of the KfK



Fig. 1: Energy distributions of the neutrinos generated at the SNQ spallation neutron source (beamstop). The total numbers of all three kinds of neutrino are equal. The indicated source strengths apply to 1 mA averaged proton current for $E_p = 1100 \text{ MeV}$ and the Oak Ridge National Laboratory by T.A. Gabriel (ORNL) and J. Wilczynski (KfK). The results were published in detail in ref. (2) and (3).

The protons do not only give rise to the production of neutrons in the spallation target. At the same time a considerable number of pions π^+ is produced which emit neutrinos while decaying. At the proton energy proposed for the SNQ (E = 1100 MeV) and lead as the target material the number of π^+ per proton is N $_{\pi}^+/N_{\rm P}^{=}$ 0.133.

The pions are stopped within 10^{-10} s still in the target zone so that only a small fraction of about 5 x 10^{-3} decay while on flight. Whilst the negative pions, when at rest, are captured by nuclei and finally absorbed, the positive pions, with a lifetime $\tau_{\pi} = 26$ ns, decay into a positive muon and a muon neutrino. This means that practically only the <u>positive</u> pions and the <u>positive</u> muons play a role at the SNQ spallation neutron source. The muon with a lifetime $\tau = 2.2 \ \mu s$ subsequently decays into a positron and (because of conservation of the lepton and muon numbers) into an electron neutrino and a muon antineutrino. Thus we have

$$\pi^{+} \rightarrow \mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu} \qquad \tau = 26.03 \text{ x } 10^{-9} \text{ s} \qquad (1)$$

$$\mu^{+} \rightarrow e^{+} + \nu_{e} + \bar{\nu}_{\mu} \qquad \tau = 2.197 \text{ x } 10^{-6} \text{ s} \qquad (2)$$

Since the pion at rest decays into two particles, the muon neutrinos from (1) have a constant energy of E_{ν} = 29.79 MeV. By contrast, continuous distributions with an end μ energy of 52.83 MeV are obtained for the neutrinos produced by the three-particle decay (2). Fig. 1 shows the respective energy distributions.

Since the decays take place with the particles at rest, the intensities of all three kinds of neutrino are equal and isotropic in space. The source strengths given in Fig. 1 were calculated for an averaged proton current $\overline{I}_p = 1$ mA. For each kind of neutrino and the desired parameters of the spallation neutron source $E_p = 1100$ MeV and $\overline{I}_p = 5$ mA an averaged source strength is obtained of

 $\bar{Q}_{v} = 3 \times 4.1 \times 10^{15} / s.$

This means that the facility would be the most powerful source for the

three kinds of neutrino, v_{μ} , v_{e} , \bar{v}_{μ} . However, in future experiments involving neutrinos not only the average flux but likewise a suitable time structure and the highest possible peak flux will play a role. With typical values of a proton-pulse-length of $t_{p} = 200$ nsec and frequency of f = 100 Hz one would obtain a peak source strength of μ -neutrinos of the order of $Q_{v} \sim 10^{20} \text{ s}^{-1}$. This would allow a new quality of low energy neutrino physics.

Typical counting rates, discrimination against cosmic and source background etc. is discussed in ref. (2) and (3), see also page 2-46. A list of interesting types of experiments which could be performed at this type of intense source is given in the following:

Experiments with Beam Stop Neutrinos

- 1. Test of conservation laws
 - a) Lepton number, Myon number, e.g., additive or multiplicative?
 - b) Neutrino oscillations
- 2. Neutrino-Electron Interactions Elastic scattering: v_{μ} + e, v_{e} + e, \bar{v}_{e} + e
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- 4. Detection of exotic particles like axions.)

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2.3 NUCLEAR REACTIONS AND NUCLEAR SPECTROSCOPY

2.3.1 The Dependence on Energy and Mass Number of the Alpha-Particle Optical Potential: A Support for the Folding Model Approach* E. Friedman⁺, H.J. Gils, H. Rebel, and R. Pesl Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺The Racah Institute of Physics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel *Nucl Phys. A363 (1981) 137.

Data for elastic scattering of alpha particles by ^{40,42,44,48}Ca, ⁵⁰Ti, ⁵²Cr and ⁹⁰Zr at 104 MeV, by ⁴⁰Ca, ^{46,48,50}Ti, ⁵⁸Ni, ⁹⁰Zr and ²⁰⁸Pb at 140 MeV and by ^{58,60,62,64}Ni at 173 MeV were analyzed using a Fourier-Bessel description of the optical potential. All data extend to large angles thus allowing unique determination of volume integrals and rms radii of the potentials. The variations with mass number and energy of these quantities are investigated and conclusions are drawn about studies of nuclear radii with the help of optical potentials.

2.3.2 <u>104 MeV Alpha-Particle Scattering from ^{90,92}Zr</u>
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Recent investigations of the elastic alpha-particle scattering optical potential have shown that the overall radial shape of the real part is significantly better represented by a squared Saxon-Woods form rather than by the standard Saxon-Woods parametrization. Is this result also valid for the extended optical potential which provides the coupling to excited states? What are the implications when extracting isoscalar transition rates from alpha-particle scattering? In addressing these questions differential cross sections for the elastic and inelastic scattering of 104 MeV alpha particles from 90,92 Zr have been measured.

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Fig. 1 Elastic scattering of 104 MeV Alpha Particles from 90,92Zr: Optical model analysis with different radial shapes of the real potential (large angle data for 90Zr(α,α)90Zr indicating nuclear rainbow scattering are not shown).

First, the elastic scattering has been considered with the aspect of small isotopic differences (see Fig. 1). For the case of ⁹⁰Zr where the experimental cross sections extend beyond the nuclear rainbow angle a "model-independent" procedure (Fourier-Bessel method) could be applied in the optical model analysis. The resulting real potential (and its error band representing realistic uncertainties) is displayed in Fig. 2 and compared with the best-fit Saxon-Woods square form. With inclusion of the inelastic scattering cross sections the experimental data are analyzed in terms of coupled channels on the basis of a flexible anharmonic vibrator model and using different parametrizations of the radial shape of the deformed optical potentials. The results favour the squared Saxon-Woods type for the real part. Additionally a semi-microscopic folding model has been invoked for extracting isoscalar quadrupole and hexadecapole transition rates.



Fig. 2 Real part of the optical potential and its radial moments for ${}^{90}Zr(\alpha,\alpha){}^{90}Zr$ at E_{α} = 104 MeV.

2.3.3 Improved Phenomenological Effective Interactions for Folding Model Analyses of Alpha-Particle Scattering E. Friedman⁺ and H.J. Gils Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺The Racah Institute of Physics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel

Density dependent folding model analyses of elastic alpha-particle

scattering at $E_{\alpha} \gtrsim 100$ MeV provide interesting informations on the shape and size of neutron or total nuclear matter density distributions (1). However, with the widely used Gaussian effective interaction the representation of the experimental cross sections is still not of the same quality as obtained by a pure potential analysis using refined parametrizations of the potential like the squared Saxon-Woods form (SW²). Moreover, the integral quantities of the folded potentials like the specific volume integral J_V/4A and the root mean square (rms) radii considerably deviate from the phenomenological results (1,2). Also the errors of the extracted nucleon densities suffer from this insufficient simple two-parameter interaction. Therefore, it seems reasonable to search for improved parametrizations of the effective nucleon-alpha particle interaction.

We investigated different interaction forms like a Yukawa shape, sum of two Gaussians or Yukawas with different range, respectively. The sum of a Gaussian (which is very similar to the one previously used (1)) and a Yukawa shape (G+Y) with a long tail was found to describe best the elastic alpha-particle scattering from ⁴⁰Ca at two different



Fig. 1

Effective nucleon-alpha particle interaction with Gaussian plus Yukawa shape (solid line) in comparison to the previously used Gaussian interaction (dashed line).

Sw ²			Potential		FB		
Е	-J _v /4A	$< r_v^2 > 1/2$	χ^2/F	-J _v /4A	$< r_v^2 > 1/2$	χ^2/F	
<u>(Me</u>]	/)(MeV_fn	n ³) (fm)		<u>(MeV_fm³)</u>	<u>(fm)</u>		
104 140	317.9 313.3	4.315 4.365	3.7 1.8	327 + 2 322 + 3	4.37 <u>+</u> 0.06 4.41 <u>+</u> 0.06	2.0 0.8	
	Ga	uss	Fc	lding	<u>_Gauss_and_Y</u>	ukawa	
104 140	305.8 303.0	4.245 4.323	4.9 2.1	317.9 310.0	4.397 4.407	3.6 1.0	
Table 1 Comparison of potential analyses and density dependent folding							

model analyses of elastic alpha particle scattering from 40 Ca at E_a = 104 and E_a = 141 MeV

energies $E_{\alpha} = 104$ MeV and 141 MeV. Table 1 demonstrates that the density dependent folding model using this interaction yields even slightly better results than a potential analysis with SW² potentials. The integral quantities of the folding potentials closely approach the corresponding values of the "model independent" potential analysis by use of the Fourier-Bessel method (2,3). The shape of the interaction is compared to the previous Gaussian shape in Fig. 1. The considerably larger strength at small radii is of little influence on the folded potential for all radial regions (4) whereas the longer tail mainly yields also a longer tail in the potential.

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2.3.4 Radial Sensitivity of Hadronic Probes and How Accurately are <u>Nuclear Radii Determined</u> H.J. Gils, E. Friedman⁺, and H. Rebel Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II

⁺The Racah Institute of Physics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel The radial distribution of nucleons in nuclei is a topic of current interest as it provides a sensitive test of theories of nuclear structure. Hadronic probes have been shown to be quite useful in providing at least partial answers to the question of *neutron* densities, in particular by comparative studies when the "apparatus function" (effective probe-nucleus interaction) could be "calibrated" on a nucleus with a presumably known neutron distribution. The results of various types of experiments such as elastic scattering of alpha particles, of protons or pions etc. (1), although showing internal consistency, sometimes seem to be in conflict with each other. Apart from model assumptions and residual uncertainties such discrepancies could originate from differences in the radial sensitivity of different types of experiments. It is, therefore, interesting to investigate which parts of the nucleus are well probed, and how uncertainties of the radial moments are affected by the radial sensitivity. A critical comparison of the methods of evaluating the uncertainties in the different analysis is also important.

In order to study the radial sensitivity of different types of experiments on equal footing we applied the notch test method by introducing a local perturbation ("notch") into the neutron distribution of the ⁴⁸Ca nucleus. We considered four different experiments: the elastic scattering of alpha particles at 104 MeV, the elastic scattering of protons in the GeV region (3), the elastic scattering of 130 MeV pions (4), and strong interaction level shifts and widths in pionic atoms (5).

In the analyses the "notch" was set at different radial positions of the neutron distribution. The reproduction of the experimental data characterized by the χ^2 -value per degree of freedom depending on the radial position of the notch is then the quantity measuring the radial sensitivity. Further details of the procedures may be found in Ref. (6). Examples of the resulting notch test curves are given in Fig. 1.

Although the notch test method is rather crude compared to "model independent" analyses (2) (which cannot directly be applied to all these experiments as discussed in Ref. (6)) the final results reveal some interesting details of the radial sensitivity of the different hadronic probes:

- (i) All investigated probes are mainly sensitive to the slope of the densities between r=2 fm and 6 fm.
- (ii) None of the probes is sensitive to the innermost part (r < 1 fm) of the nucleus.

(iii)Different radial sensitivity can only play a minor role for the discrepancies between densities resulting from different experiments. Underestimations of errors and model deficiencies seem to be more likely the reasons for that.



Fig. 1 χ^2 per point (a) for the elastic scattering of 1 GeV protons by 48 Ca, (b) for the shifts and width of the 2p level in pionic atoms of 48 Ca calculated as a function of the position of a 30 % notch in the neutron density.

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Different types of experiments involving strongly interacting particles have been used to gain information on nucleon density distributions in nuclei (1). In most cases the experimental data are analyzed with an effective ("optical") probe-nucleus potential, which is related to the nucleon densities either phenomenologically or in a more fundamental way. The results of such analyses may depend on the models used. It is also possible that in different experiments different parts of the nuclear density distributions are probed. Therefore, it is interesting to perform simultaneous or combined analyses of different experiments. Some of the model dependence could be expected to be removed thereby and a combined analysis could also reveal information which is inaccessible otherwise.

Experiments on elastic scattering of protons and alpha particles are currently being analyzed (2,3) with "model independent" methods where the traditional functions used for the nuclear densities or the potentials are replaced by more bias free forms like Fourier-Bessel series (FB) or sums of Gaussian functions (SOG). However, this is not always possible. Measurements of strong interaction level shifts and widths in pionic atoms provide only two experimental numbers for each nucleus. Hence it is impossible to fit parameters of a FB series. This limitation can be overcome by performing a combined analysis of two different experiments. This was done for elastic scattering of 100 - 140 MeV alpha particles and pionic atoms in the calcium region.

Table 1	rms r	cadii	of	neutron	distributions	of	Ca	nuclei	from	
	diffe	pro	ocedures.							

Procedure	⁴² Ca	⁴⁴ Ca	⁴⁸ Ca
Pionic atoms only Alpha scattering only	3.49 <u>+</u> 0.03 3.42 <u>+</u> 0.17	3.50 <u>+</u> 0.03 3.54 <u>+</u> 0.15	3.56 <u>+</u> 0.03 3.71 <u>+</u> 0.20
Combined	3.44 <u>+</u> 0.10	3.50 + 0.08	3.69 <u>+</u> 0.10

The strong interaction level shifts and width for the 2p level in pionic atoms of 40,42,44,48 Ca (4,5) and also the elastic alpha particle scattering cross sections (6,7) were taken from different groups for consistency checks. The procedure is essentially based on χ^2 fits used in the analysis of elastic alpha-particle scattering where the contribution due to the two experimental results from the pionic atoms is simply added to the χ^2 of the alpha particles to form the total χ^2 . This total χ^2 is then minimized by varying the parameters of the neutron density ρ_n which was described by a FB series (8). Further details of the specific analyses of each experiment is described elsewhere (8,9).

In Table 1 the resulting rms radii of the neutron densities from pionic atoms only, alpha-particle scattering only and from the combined analyses are compared. The coupling of two problems is clearly demonstrated but what is more interesting is the reduction of the uncertainties compared to those from alpha-particle scattering only. Moreover, some unphysical structure occuring sometimes in analyses of alpha particles only - particularly in the nuclear interior - are strongly suppressed.

In conclusion, it is demonstrated that it is possible to combine in χ^2 fits different experimental methods and thereby gaining the informations extracted from separate analyses.

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2.3.6 Method for Analysis of Inelastic Alpha-Particle Scattering*

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The analysis of inelastic scattering of strongly interacting particles from nuclei suffers from the model dependence introduced when specifying the form factors (coupling potentials) e.g. in the frame work of a vibrational model. Moreover, the relation between strength and shape of the coupling potentials and corresponding quantities of the transition densities is not well established, and the interpretation in terms of transition rates and nuclear moments introduces additional uncertainties. In the present studies of inelastic scattering of 104 MeV alpha particles from 50 Ti and 52 Cr we remove the constraints due to pre-chosen forms of the coupling potentials by applying the Fourier-Bessel method which is more flexible. It allows quite general shapes and provides realistic estimates of the uncertainties of the potentials and derived quantities (moments). Using the identities between the integral moments of a folded potential distribution and of the underlying nuclear matter distribution isoscalar transition rates have been derived.

2.3.7 Elastic Scattering of 156 MeV ⁶Li Ions and the Optical Model J. Cook⁺, H.J. Gils, H. Rebel, J. Buschmann, B. Neumann⁺⁺, H. Klewe-Nebenius⁺⁺, and S. Zagromski Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺ Wheatstone Laboratory, King's College, London, England ⁺⁺Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IRCh

The differential cross sections for elastic scattering of 156 MeV 6 Li ions from 12 C, 90 Zr, 40 Ca and 208 Pb have been measured with good angular resolution. 156 MeV is the highest energy at which ⁶Li data are currently available, and it has been observed that for light targets (^{12}C) rainbow scattering exists. This feature which is rather well understood in alpha particle scattering, suggests that there might be an increased sensitivity of elastic ⁶Li scattering to the optical potential. This led us to investigate how sensitive the scattering is to different (phenomenological and semi-microscopic) potential forms and how well these potentials are determined. In addition to Saxon-Woods and Saxon-Woods squared forms, the more flexible Fourier-Bessel potential has been considered in the case of ¹²C(⁶Li, ⁶Li)¹²C. Furthermore, we studied a double folding model (1) in which an effective nucleon-nucleon interaction is folded over the densities of both the projectile and target nuclei. For the nucleon-nucleon interaction the BertschM3Y interaction (2) has been chosen which has been widely applied for both light and heavy ions.



Fig. 1

Optical model description of 156 MeV ⁶Li elastic scattering using folded real potentials and Saxon-Woods imaginary potentials. The full and dashed lines (for ¹²C and ⁴⁰Ca only) compare results of calculations using density independent and density dependent versions of the M3Y interaction. It turns out that the folded potentials must be multiplied by a normalization factor $N \cong 0.6-0.7$: a confirmation of a previously found (1) "anomaly" in scattering of loosely bound particles. The density dependent version of the M3Y interaction (2) seems to be not adequate and describes the data less satisfactorily.

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2.3.8 Description of Continuous Particle Spectra from ⁶Li-Induced Nuclear Reactions by a DWBA Break-Up Model B. Neumann⁺, H. Rebel, H.J. Gils, R. Shyam⁺⁺, R. Planeta, and H. Machner⁺⁺⁺ Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IRCh ⁺⁺⁺Daresbury Laboratory, Warrington, United Kingdom ⁺⁺⁺Institut für Kernphysik, Kernforschungsanlage Jülich

The measured energy spectra of light ejectiles after bombarding various targets with 156 MeV ⁶Li ions are dominated by very broad bumps in forward direction, with maxima at energies roughly corresponding to the beam velocity. These bumps have been shown to originate from the projectile break-up. For a first survey the Serber model has been proven very useful for understanding the basic mechanism of the break-up phenomena. Within this model based on a quasi-free reaction mechanism the differential cross sections for the observed break-up fragments are mainly determined by the Fourier-transform of the wave function of relative cluster motion. Using a plane-wave approximation (PWA) this model describes fairly well the shapes of the break-up component of the spectra and the extracted widths of the intrinsic momentum distributions are in good agreement with results from quasi elastic knock-out reactions. PWA, however, fails in describing the angular distributions and absolute values of the cross sections. In addition to very simplified assumptions on the basic mechanism both the distortion of the incoming and outgoing waves by nuclear and Coulomb field and the absorption are neglected.

Baur et al. (1) have developed a break-up theory in the framework of the DWBA taking elastic and inelastic reactions into account. Using this theory we have calculated double differential cross sections of the break-up particles (in particular for alpha particles) from bombardment of 40 Ca by 156 MeV 6 Li ions. In order to separate the preequilibrium background from the measured results the coalescence model is invoked where complex particles are assumed to condensate from the excited nucleons during the preequilibrium cascade if they are within a momentum sphere of a certain coalescence radius. The value of this coalescence radius has been determined ($r_0 = 285$ MeV/c) by matching the high energy tail of the experimental spectra measured at large emission angles (where the break-up component appears to be negligible). The coalescence model results are combined with the break-up model results in order to fit the measured spectra (see Fig. 1). The required normalization for the DWBA break-up cross CA-40 (LI-6, HE-4)



Fig. 1 Break-up model and coalescence model results compared with the measured alpha-particle spectra from bombarding ⁴⁰Ca by 156 MeV ⁶Li ions.

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2.3.9 <u>Mass Distribution of Residual Nuclei in the Reaction ⁶Li+⁴⁰Ca at E_{Li} = 156 MeV
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Inclusive gamma-ray spectra have been measured for the reaction ${}^{6}\text{Li}+{}^{40}\text{Ca}$ at E_{Li} = 156 MeV. From these data the distribution of residual nuclei was deduced in order to obtain information on reaction mechanisms where relatively high angular momenta are involved. 260 gamma lines have been identified in the spectra. About 80 % of these lines have been assigned to the residual nuclei by at least one unique and one additional gamma transition. By this procedure a total of 36 residual nuclei were found. Details of the identification procedure can be found elsewhere (1). The deduced mass spectrum presented in Fig. 1 exhibits two distinct maxima. The maximum at higher values of A contains evaporation residues from the complete or incomplete fusion and products of the few nucleon transfer reactions. Concerning the second maximum in the mass region 18 $\leq A \leq 22$ we suggest that it could be attributed to a symmetric fission-like mechanism. To support this hypothesis a charged particle coincidence measurement is desirable.



Fig. 1 Total mass spectrum of residual nuclei for the reaction 6 Li + 40 Ca at E_{Li} = 156 MeV.

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 2.3.10 Investigation of Specific Reaction Paths in ⁶Li-Induced Nuclear <u>Reactions by Particle Gamma-Coincidence Measurements</u> R. Planeta, B. Neumann⁺⁺, H. Klewe-Nebenius⁺⁺, J. Buschmann, H.J. Gils, H. Rebel, L. Freindl⁺, K. Grotowski⁺, and S. Micek⁺ Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II

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In order to obtain more detailed information on different reaction paths in 6 Li induced nuclear reactions we have measured particle-gamma-

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Fig. 1 Spectrum of gamma rays in prompt coincidence with (a) deuterons and (b) alpha particles.

ray coincidences between the light charged ejectiles and gamma rays of the residual nuclei.

The charged particles were detected by means of a semiconductor telescope consisting of a silicon detector (ΔE) and a 15 mm thick high purity Ge detector (E). The telescope was placed at an angle of 12° with respect to the beam direction. The gamma rays were observed with a Ge(Li) detector placed at 135° to the beam direction. Particle-gammacoincidences were stored event by event on magnetic tape. The time resolution of the prompt peak in the TAC spectrum was typically about 10 ns. The data were analyzed off-line. As a first result of this analaysis the gamma-spectra in coincidence with alpha particles and deuterons for the reaction ⁶Li + ⁴⁰Ca at E_{I,i} = 156 MeV are presented in Fig. 1.

2.3.11 <u>Is there a Giant Monopole Resonance in ¹²C?</u> W. Eyrich⁺, H. Hassold⁺, A. Hofmann⁺, B. Mühldorfer⁺, H. Rebel, and U. Scheib⁺ Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺Physikalisches Institut der Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg

The interest in the giant monopole resonance (GMR) lies mainly in the direct relation between the monopole frequency and the compression modulus of the nucleus. The existence of the GMR is now well established in heavy nuclei by scattering experiments at extreme forward angles (1). In light nuclei (A < 160) the information about the GMR is rather incomplete mainly due to the splitting of the giant resonances. There are



Fig. 1 Part of a ${}^{12}C$ (α,α') spectrum taken at $\Theta_{Lab} = 2.75^{\circ}$.

ambiguities and disagreements in the results of the different experiments concerning the spreading width, the strength and even the existence of the GMR (1-5).

Recently new evidence for monopole strength in 12 C from a 3 He scattering experiment at extreme forward angles has been reported (5). Besides the well-known EO-transition at $E_x = 7.65$ MeV, for which a strength of 8.6 % of the energy weighted sum rule (EWSR) was found, monopole strength of about 2.1 % of the EWSR was observed around $E_y = 9.15$ MeV ($\Gamma = 1.8$ MeV).

In the framework of our small angle scattering experiments on light nuclei using the 104 MeV alpha beam of the Karlsruhe Cyclotron we are able to check this result. Using three Si-telescopes for the particle detection at a distance of 115 cm from the target it was possible to measure at scattering angles as small as $\Theta_{Lab} = 2.5^{\circ}$. The energy resolution was about 150 keV. In Fig. 1 a part of a spectrum of alpha particles scattered from ¹²C is shown taken at Θ_{Lab} = 2.75°. This part of the spectrum is dominated by the 0⁺-state at $E_x = 7.65$ MeV as expected from the behaviour of the angular distribution of monopole strength at forward angles. We cannot find, however, evidence for remarkable monopole strength around $E_x = 9.15$ MeV. The smooth solid curve in Fig. 1 corresponds in form and strength to a 0⁺-strength of 2.1 % of the EWSR as reported in ref. (5). We continue these measurements to confirm this preliminary result and to get more detailed informations about the strengths of the different multipolarities (especially monopole and isoscalar dipole modes) in the giant resonance region of 12 C.

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2.3.12 Investigation of the Giant Resonance Region in Light Nuclei by Small Angle Scattering of 104 MeV Alpha Particles
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The scattering of alpha particles at small angles is a very sensitive method for the investigation of strengths in nuclei at high excitation energies especially of giant multipole resonances (1,2). It turned out to be a powerful tool mainly for the identification of monopole and of isoscalar dipole strengths because at small angles the angular distributions of this multipolarities show significant differences compared to the angular distributions of higher multipolarities. In practice, however, the sensitivity of this method is limited by the experimental difficulties which arise in measurements at extreme forward angles. The main problem is the experimental background which is usually considerably larger than the physical strengths of interest. This background comes mainly from scattered projectiles where the scattering can take place at all beam defining elements, e.g., the slits of the analyzing magnet. A large number of these scattering events are registered in the detectors and generate a background especially in the region of higher excitation energies.

Using a magnetic spectrograph a large part of the experimental background is due to slit scattering from the aperture of the detecting system. It has been shown (3) that by defining the aperture by active collimators these events can be suppressed to a large extent. Using solid state detectors as it is done in our experiments this special problem does not occur, there is, however, another specific background which comes from elastic scattering events. At extreme forward angles the elastic peak dominates the spectrum so strongly that its tail leads to a background up to the giant resonance region which can predominate the strengths of interest in this energy region.

We have applied a method which permits to reduce the background from scattering from the beam defining elements as well as the events from the tail of the elastic peak. The idea is to get besides the energy information of the scattering event taken from the pulse height spectrum of the solid state detector a second independent information about the excitation energy. This information is obtained from the time-of-flight of the alpha particles referred to the high frequency of the cyclotron.



Fig. 1 Spectrum of inelastic alpha scattering on ⁴⁰Ca taken at 4° without (upper part) and with additional time-of-flight information (lower part).

Experimentally a time resolution of about 0.4 nsec was achieved. The distance between the target and the detectors was about 1.10 m, the distance between the target and the slits was larger than 4 m. Thus it was possible to get a second energy information which made it possible to suppress the experimental background for excitation energies higher than 5 MeV nearly quantitatively. This is demonstrated in Fig.1 in the case of ⁴⁰Ca for a scattering angle of 4°. In the upper part a spectrum is shown which was obtained without time-of-flight information, in the lower part the corresponding spectrum with time-of-flight information is displayed. To have a better control the elastic peak was not completely cut off. One can see a drastic suppression of the background in the lower spectrum. The remaining background at higher excitation energies belongs predominantly to real physical events. In the region of the giant quadrupole resonance (GQR) the ratio between the resonating strength shape of the coupling potentials and corresponding quantities of the transition densities is not well established, and the interpretation in terms of transition rates and nuclear moments introduces additional uncertainties. In the present studies of inelastic scattering of 104 MeV alpha particles from ⁵⁰Ti and ⁵²Cr we remove the constraints due to pre-chosen forms of the coupling potentials by applying the Fourier-Bessel method which is more flexible. It allows quite general shapes and provides realistic estimates of the uncertainties of the potentials and derived quantities (moments). Using the identities between the integral moments of a folded potential distribution and of the underlying nuclear matter distribution isoscalar transition rates have been derived.

2.3.13 Neutron Decay of the Giant Quadrupole Resonance Region in ²⁰⁸Pb

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In the preceding annual report we showed first results of a direct measurement of the neutron decay of the giant resonance region in 208 Pb via an α -n coincidence experiment with 104 MeV alpha particles. In the meantime these measurements have been completed.

The aim of this experiment was to study the decay into the individual states of 207 Pb for small energy intervals corresponding to the fine structure observed in a previous $\alpha'-\gamma$ -experiment (1) where we measured the gamma quanta from the deexcitation of the residual nucleus 207 Pb in coincidence with the scattered alpha particles. Moreover it seemed to be most desirable to study the decay of the GR's and the underlying physical background separately. Therefore 4 Si(Li) alpha detectors arranged symmetrically with respect to the beam axis were placed at maxima ($\phi_{\alpha'1ab} = 23.5^{\circ}$) and minima ($\phi_{\alpha'1ab} = 17^{\circ}$) of the alpha-angular distribution of the GQR.

For the detection of the decay neutrons we applied time-of-flight technique. The achieved overall energy resolution of about 300 keV was sufficient to separate the decay into the individual states of 207 Pb. In order to obtain the spectra of the decay of the GR-region into the various states of 207 Pb kinematical plots were made event by event. The result is demonstrated in Fig. 1. In the upper part the neutron spectrum of the decay of the GQR-region of 208 Pb into 207 Pb summed over two positions of the n-detectors is shown for an alpha scattering angle of $\Theta_{1ab} = 17^{\circ}$, in the lower part for an alpha scattering angle of $\Theta_{1ab} = 23.5^{\circ}$. By folding the spectra with Gaussians of half widths known from the experimental energy resolution as shown by the dotted curves in Fig. 1, the population of the individual states in 207 Pb from the decay of the region of the GQR in 208 Pb can be gathered. The most surprising result which appears in all spectra is the fact that the isomeric $13/2^+$ state is populated so strongly by the decay of the GR-region.

The experimental results can be compared with the predictions of a statistical model calculation for the decay of different multipolarities



Fig. 1 n-spectra of the decay of the GQR-region in ²⁰⁸Pb for the two alpha-scattering angles observed. The dotted curves represent Gaussians fitted to the experimental data.

assumed in the GR-region of ²⁰⁸Pb. The relative intensities for the population of the three lowest states in ²⁰⁷Pb obtained from this calculation assuming E2 strength agree roughly with the experimental data. This confirms the expectation that for heavy nuclei the statistical model provides at least a rough frame for the decay properties of the GR's. The $13/2^{\dagger}$ state, however, is practically not populated from the decay of E2 strength in the interesting energy region. The population from E4 strength is still relatively small whereas it is strong from E6 strength On the other hand the $1/2^{-}$ groundstate is optimally matched to the quadrupole strength and is practically not populated from strengths with higher multipolarity. Therefore we claim that the states with the lower spins in ²⁰⁷Pb are populated mainly from E2 strength, the 13/2⁺ state, however, from higher multipolarities. Thus the decay of the quadrupole strength and the physical background can be roughly separated. From the strength of the $13/2^{\dagger}$ state in the experimental spectra one can estimate that up to half of the physical background in the region of the GQR has multipolarities equal or higher than four. Due to the fact that the minima are more pronounced in the alpha-angular distribution for E2-strength than for higher multipolarities one should expect that the $13/2^{-1}$ state is relatively stronger populated for the position of the alpha-detector in a minimum of the angular distribution of the GQR than in a maximum. This trend is confirmed by the experiment as can be seen by comparing the upper and lower part of Fig. 1. In Fig. 2a-c the strength distributions in 208 Pb corresponding to the decay into the ground state (1/2), the first and second excited states (5/2, 3/2) and the third excited state (13/2) of 20/Pb are shown. The experimental thresholds of the α -experiment (indicated by solid arrows)lie about 1.3 MeV above the phyiscal thresholds (indicated by dashed arrows). All three spectra show significant fine structures.

The patterns in the first and the second spectrum are roughly correlated, whereas there seems to be practically no correlation with the strength distribution corresponding to the $13/2^+$ state.

In Fig. 2d an alpha-spectrum of those events is shown where the residual nucleus 207 Pb is populated in its states with lowest spin (ground state (1/2⁻) and second excited state (3/2⁻)). The alpha data for the decay into the 3/2⁻ state were extracted from the $\alpha'-\gamma$ -experiment.

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Fig. 2

Strength distributions in ²⁰⁸Pb corresponding to the a) decay into the ground state (a), the first and second excited states (b) and the third excited state (c) in ²⁰⁷Pb, extracted from the α' -n-coincidence experiment. The solid and dashed arrows indicate experimental and physical thresholds, respectively. In (d) the strength distributions of the decay into the ground state and into the second excited state, taken from the $\alpha' - \gamma -$

d) coincidence experiment are summed.

Thus no experimental threshold occur in the spectrum of Fig. 2d. Since the GQR decays mainly into the low-spin-states of ²⁰⁷Pb this spectrum should describe especially the location of E2-strength. The fine structure observed in our experiment agrees relatively well with the distribution of the quadrupole strength found in (e,e')experiment (2) and in a (γ ,n)-experiment (3). This confirms that the fine structure components found in our coincidence spectra belonging to the decay into the low spin states of ²⁰⁷Pb correspond mainly to quadrupole strength in the giant resonance region of ²⁰⁸Pb. References

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2.4 NUCLEAR THEORY

2.4.1 <u>The Three-Cluster Structures in 'Li*</u> R. Beck, R. Krivec⁺, and M.V. Mihailović⁺ Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺permanent address: Institute J. Stefan, Ljubljana, Jugoslawien *Nucl. Phys. A363 (1981) 365

The structure of light nuclei is described by a model which includes the interplay of different two- and three-cluster structures as well as the molecule-like vibrations of clusters. The model is applied to the description of the low lying states of the nucleus ⁷Li.

The space of the wave functions is spanned by antisymmetrized products of two and three shell-model wave functions describing separated clusters. In the case of two-cluster configurations the separation g_{0} of the two shell model potentials is used as the generator coordinate. In the case of three-cluster configurations with fragments A,B and C the separation $g_{1} = g_{A} - g_{B}$ between the two shell model potentials for fragments A and B is taken as one of the generator coordinates, the other one being the separation $g_{2} = g_{c} - (Ag_{A} + Bg_{B})/$ (A+B). The cluster configurations are characterized also by the spins of fragments and their relative angular momenta (L₁ and L₂). The rotational and the space inversion symmetry of the states is obtained by projecting the basic states onto the eigenspace of the operators J,M and the parity operator. An algebraic method based on an algorithm which expresses the rotation of the coordinates in terms of rotation of the generator coordinates is used. The structure of the nucleus ⁷Li is described by the two-cluster configuration (⁴He-³H) and the three-cluster configurations (⁴He-²H(I_d)-n), with $I_d = 0,1$, and the total spin I = 1/2, 3/2. In the wave function of three-cluster structure the pair of values $L_1 = 0$, $L_2 = 1$ is included only. The effective nuclear potential V2 of Volkov is used in the calculation. The energy of the ground state described by a single configuration of the two-cluster structure (⁴He-³H) is lowered by 0.66 MeV when this configuration is coupled to two three-cluster configurations and the molecule-like vibration is allowed through solving the Hill-Wheeler equation. Both mechanisms have approximately equal effects. The ground state energy - 38.14 MeV is 0.3 MeV lower than in the model which describes the ⁷Li by a superposition of two-cluster structures (⁴He-³H) and (⁶Li-n).

2.4.2 <u>A Multi-Cluster Model for the Description of</u> Low-Lying States in ⁶Li

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The aim of the present investigation is to study the dependence of effective nucleon-nucleon forces on the configuration space in few-nucleon systems. The low-lying states in such nuclei exhibit cluster structures which can be identified by the corresponding break-up channels. We have chosen the nucleus ⁶Li, because earlier calculations (1) with purely central nucleon-nucleon interactions are unable to reproduce the experimental energy levels. In the case of ⁶Li, the lowest channels and their energies (relative to the ground state) are 4 He- 2 H (1.47 MeV), 5 He- 1 H (4.59 MeV) and ⁵Li-n (5.66 MeV). Since these break-up energies are close to each other, a realistic calculation should allow for mixtures of all three clusterizations. In our model all clusterizations are represented by two-cluster wave functions where the nucleons in each cluster occupy the lowest states in a harmonic oscillator potential. The wave function $|\psi\rangle$ is chosen as a weighted superposition of these three twocluster wave functions $|\phi_i(s_i)\rangle$ where the separations s_i (i=1,2,3) between different clusters are taken as generator coordinates,

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \int d^{3}S_{i} f_{i}(s_{i}) |\phi_{i}(s_{i})\rangle.$$
(1)

The weight functions $f_i(s_i)$ are determined variationally from the Hill-Wheeler equation

$$\sum_{i} \int d^{3}s'_{i} f_{i}(\xi'_{i}) \langle \phi_{j}(\xi_{j}) | (H-E)P_{M}^{J\pi} | \phi_{i}(\xi'_{i}) = 0.$$
(2)

The Hamiltonian H contains the kinetic energy of the nucleons and the two-body interactions including central, tensor and spin-orbit nuclear forces and Coulomb forces between protons. In order to calculate the matrix elements in eq. (2) analytically, we approximate the radial dependence of the forces by a sum of Gaussians. The operator $P_M^{J\pi}$ projects the wave functions δ onto the eigenspace of the angular momentum operators J^2 and J_Z and of parity.

The status of our work is as follows: we have calculated matrix elements of the Hamiltonian between Slater determinant wave functions analytically as functions of the generator coordinates s_i . Because of the complicated structure of these matrix elements, this was feasible only by using the symbolic algebra system REDUCE 2 on a computer. In order to obtain matrix elements between angular momentum eigenfunctions a FORTRAN program was written which uses the results of calculations with REDUCE 2.

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¹¹¹In ions were implanted into diamond. After subsequent annealing

TDPAC techniques were applied for different crystal orientations with respect to the counter arrangement. A fraction of 5 % of the ions was determined that populated unique lattice sites with a well defined quadrupole interaction frequency $v_{\rm Q} = (117.8 \pm 0.6) \cdot 10^6 \, {\rm s}^{-1}$ and preferred field gradient symmetry along <111> crystal directions.

2.5.2 Dynamic Nuclear Orientation of Surface Absorbed Radioactive Isotopes D. Dubbers⁺, B. Feurer, A. Hanser, T. Schneider⁺, K. Wandelt⁺⁺, and W. Weibler⁺ Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II ⁺ Physikalisches Institut der Univ. Heidelberg ⁺⁺Physikalisch-Chemisches Institut der Univ. München

A method for the study of local fields on surfaces and of the dynamics of surface adsorbed atoms and their valence electrons is being developed which uses the technique of dynamic nuclear orientation of radioactive nuclei. The nuclei of surface adsorbed paramagnetic atoms, as ⁸⁴Rb $(T_{1/2} = 34 \text{ d})$ on a LiF (1,0,0)-surface will be polarized by the induction of a forbidden electron-spin-resonance transition at low temperature. The nuclear polarization is monitored via the anisotropy in the decay of the nuclear gamma rays. In this way the frequencies of the ESR- or NMRtransitions can be determined from the changes they induce in the gamma-ray anisotropy. Classical ESR or NMR techniques, on the other hand, are not sensitive enough to be applied to sub-monolayer surface adsorbates. With the method proposed, coverage of less than 10⁻⁵ monolayers should be sufficient to yield a detectable signal.

Pure ⁸⁴Rb was produced in the following way for the investigations described above: a gas target containing ⁸⁶Kr enriched to 99 % was irradiated by the external 52 MeV deuteron beam of the Karlsruhe Isochronous Cyclotron. A beryllium absorber in front of the target degraded the energy of the beam particles to 39 MeV. This energy is most favourable for the ⁸⁶Kr (d,4n)-process as it resulted from irradiations at several energies. ⁸⁴Rb was separated from the mixture of Rb isotopes produced, using the Karlsruhe Electromagnetic Isotope Separator. The irradiation and mass separation techniques were the same as in the production of pure 81 Rb for medical use which has been described elsewhere (1). Several samples containing 200-300 µCi of the relatively longlived 84 Rb have been prepared.

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2.6 INSTRUMENTATION

2.6.1 A Brute Force Polarization Facility

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For investigations of spin dependent effects in the scattering of polarized neutrons from polarized nuclei a brute force polarization facility is under construction. It enables to polarize a large number of different nuclei (see table 1) mainly restricted to metallic elements due to their sufficient heat conductivity and nuclear spin lattice relaxation even at very low temperatures.

The apparatus consists of a cryosystem containing a split coil superconducting magnet and a ${}^{3}\text{He}/{}^{4}\text{He-dilution refrigerator}$ (see Fig. 1). The magnet is designed to supply a field of 10 T with a homogeneity of 1 % in a central volume of 6 cm diameter and 2.5 cm height. This allows for an effective target size of 2 cm height and 5 cm thickness. The attractive force between the two magnet halves is taken up by six wedge shaped spacers which are arranged in such a way that scattered neutrons can be observed at all angles.

The dilution refrigerator will be able to reach a temperature below 10 mK. The cooling power at 10 mK is expected to amount 1-2 μ W at a circulation rate of 0.5 mmol ³He/sec.

To minimize heat generation in the target by eddy currents the cryostat will be mounted in a vibration free frame resting on airmont shock absorbers.





The temperature of the probe is determined by nuclear orientation thermometry using radioactive gamma sources. The gammas will be detected with a GeLi-detector, which is necessary because of the gamma background expected in neutron scattering experiments. This detector functions well even in a magnetic field of 1 T, so it can be put close to the probe.

The cryostat with magnet and dilution refrigerator, under construction at the Oxford Instruments Company, is nearly completed now.

In the meantime some experiments with another dilution refrigerator have been performed. A minimum temperature of 7 mK was reached at the mixing chamber which was measured by the anisotropy of an oriented 60 Co-single crystal (see Fig. 2). In addition a sample of TiH for use as a polarized proton target (contribution 2.6.2) could already be cooled to 17 mK.



Fig. 2

Temperature at the mixing chamber of a ${}^{3}\text{He}/{}^{4}\text{He-dilution refrige-}$ rator measured by the gamma anisotropy of a thermically coupled 60 Co-single crystal; detectors 3" x 3" NaJ. coupled 60 Co single crystal; detectors 3" x 3" NaJ.

After delivery the polarization facility will be installed at the Van de Graaff accelerator for calibration measurements with fast polarized neutrons. The mechanics for the whole experimental arrangement consisting of beam line, neutron collimator, spin precessor, cryostat support, operating frame, neutron detector and neutron shielding is nearly completed.

Isotope	Abundancy (%)	Polarization (%)	Isotope	Abundancy (<u>%)</u>	Polarization (%)
¹ H	100.0	77.0	65	30.9	44.3
7 _{L,i}	92.6	56.6	93Nb	100	67.4
¹¹ B	80.3	48.9	115In	95.7	63.4
²⁷ A1	100	53.4	139La	99.9	40.1
45Sc	100	60.0	181Ta	100.0	34.9
51V	99.8	63.1	203T1	29.5	53.2
55M	100	51.3	205T1	70.5	53.6
63Cu	69.1	41.8	209Bi	100	53.7

Table 1

Nuclear polarizations achieved with the brute force method at B=10 T and T=10 mK of some (mostly mettalic) isotopes with high abundancies.

2.6.2 <u>Metalhydrides for a Polarized Proton Target</u> W. Heeringa, R. Maschuw, and F.K. Schmidt Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IK1

To investigate the spin-spin dependence of the neutron-proton interaction one needs a polarized proton target suitable for scattering experiments with polarized neutrons. It is planned to produce a brute force polarized proton target with density of about 10^{23} protons/cm² with the Karlsruhe polarization facility (see contribution 2.6.1). A magnetic field of 10 Tesla will polarize the protons at a temperature of 10 mK to a degree of 77 %.

To overcome the difficulties of poor heat conductivity and nuclear spin lattice relaxation at very low temperatures metalhydrides are chosen instead of pure hydrogen, water or hydrocarbons. Out of these titanium hydride (TiH_x) is favoured because of the high proton density achievable and the low average magnetic moment of the metal nuclei. Furthermore the diffusion properties of hydrogen in titanium enable easy production of TiH_x at pressures below 1 bar and temperatures below 1000 K.

Bulk material of Ti has been loaded with hydrogen homogeneously to concentrations up to x = 1.1 leaving the crystal lattice undestroyed. This is equivalent to a proton density of 5×10^{22} cm⁻³. Freshly produced Ti turning could be hydrogenized up to the stoichiometric limit of x = 2. Pressing this material with several tons per cm² a proton density of about 8×10^{22} cm⁻³ could be achieved. The hydrogen content is well controlled during the hydrogenizing process and can be cross checked by gravimetic methods and degasing measurements. The accuracy in the determination of the hydrogen concentration is about 1 %.

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2.6.3 <u>High Pressure He Multiwire Proportional Chambers as</u> Neutron Polarimeter

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A high pressure (<10 bar) He-polarimeter for polarized neutrons in the energy range from 20-70 MeV is being developed. The He-gas simultaneously serves as an analyzing target for a collimated polarized neutron beam as well as a detection medium for the recoil particles from the elastic n-⁴He-scattering. Track identification of the recoil nuclei in the angular region of interest Θ_{α} < 45° will be performed by use of multiwire proportional chambers.

Although the mass density of a gas target is low the detector has good efficiency as in a large solid angle $(\Omega_n = 2\pi)$ every scattering process is observed by detection of the strongly ionizing He-recoil particle. Separation of the elastic n-⁴He-scattering process from inelasticities such as n+⁴He+2n+³He, d+T, d+d+n etc. should be possible by combined measurement of range and energy loss of the charged particles. This simultaneously offers an energy resolution for the incoming neutrons which makes the polarimeter suitable for neutrons with a white energy spectrum.

For the final neutron polarimeter we think of a detector of 100 cm length and 60 cm diameter. 100 sense wire planes will be positioned cross wise perpendicular to the neutron beam direction. The spatial resolution in the wire plane will be tried to achieve by charge division on the meander-wound anode wire of each plane. Measuring the induced charge on the wire the energy loss of the charged particle is determined, too.

The feasibility of such a detector is investigated now with a smaller 10 b test chamber containing six sense wire planes of 32 anode wires with 5 mm spacing placed between cathode wire planes with 2 mm spacing using 20 μ m WAu for all wires.



Fig. 1 High pressure (<10 b) He-MWPc. Test chamber for a neutron polarimeter.

Each sense wire is read out digitally via CAMAC into a LSI 11 micro-computer. Electronics and data handling are still under development. First experiments with a 5.5 MeV alpha source showed good signal features using 5 % CO₂ admixture to the He up to 6 bar pressure. With capacity of $\cong 100$ pF terminated with 1 k Ω to ground the anode signals exceed 20 mV. Although no gas-exchange is applied no change of the signal in shape and size was observed over several days. With this test chamber optimum gas composition, pressure dependence, wire geometry, signal handling, spatial and angular resolution, track finding, energy resolution and efficiency will be investigated.

2.6.4 <u>Ion-Optical and Magnetic Properties of the Karlsruhe Magnetic</u> <u>Spectrograph "Little John"</u> H.J. Gils Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II

For nuclear reaction studies at the Karlsruhe Isochronous Cyclotron a simple magnetic spectrograph called "Little John" will be built up (1). The general ion optical design of the spectrograph consisting of two quadrupoles, one 60° deflecting dipole and one sextupole magnet (QQDS configuration) was previously described (2). The four magnets have been developed according to this ion optical design. Some additional technica' requirements caused small changes of the original ion optical design values. The final ion optical parameters for nine focal plane positions are compiled in Table 1. The different focal plane positions (which are determined by the measures of the vacuum system allow a variation of the dispersion and momentum acceptance by a factor of 2 in reasonable steps. The extreme focal plane positions are either determined by the ion optical limitations (FP1) or by the size of the experimental hall (FP9). Table 1 also demonstrates that both the horizontal and vertical magnifications remain rather constant when changing the dispersion. The variation of the total optical length improves the mass number resolution (due to the time-of-flight resolution) in parallel to the momentum resolution (2,3).



Fig. 1 Radial shape of the magnetic field of the 60° dipole magnet at B = 1.1 T

The 60° H-dipole magnet meanwhile has been constructed and the required field measurements have been performed (4). Since it has no correc-

tion coils or any other variable field adjustment elements the details of

Table 1 Ion optical properties of the magnetic spectrograph "Little John" at nine focal plane positions (FP1-FP9)

*Option

FP	Optical (m)	length	Magnif: Horizontal	ication Vertical	Dispersion (cm/%)	Momentum Resolution (10 ⁻⁴)	Acceptance (%)
FP1	5.4		65	-5.8	1.9	3.4	<u>+</u> 10.5
FP2	5.7		66	-6.0	2.2	3.0	<u>+</u> 9.2
FP3	6.0		66	-6.2	2.5	2.7	<u>+</u> 8.1
FP4	6.4		67	-6.3	2.7	2.5	<u>+</u> 7.3
PF5	6.7		69	-6.4	3.0	2.3	+ 6.6
FP6	7.0		70	-6.4	3.3	2.1	<u>+</u> 6.0
FP7	7.3		72	-6.4	3.6	2.0	<u>+</u> 5.5
FP8	7.7		74	-6.3	3.9	1.9	<u>+</u> 5.2
FP9*	8.0		76	-6.2	4.2	1.8	<u>+</u> 4.8

the magnetic field (and the ion optical aberrations depending thereupon) are mainly determined by the form and mechanical precision of the pole pieces and yokes. The poles of the dipole magnet are parallel within 0.01 mm and the deviations from flatness are much less. Inside the used area of the dipole field the homogeneity is better than 1.2×10^{-4} at B = 1.1 T (field strength for primary beam particles B = 0.93 T). An example of a radial cross section of the dipole field is given in Fig. 1. The pole edges have an approximated Rogolski profile and are clamped by field clamps. The fall-off of the field at B = 1.1 T is shown in Fig. 2. The effective field boundary deviates from the theoretical one by less than 0.5 mm for fields between 0.6 T and 1.5 T.

The ion optical quality of the quadrupole magnets will be provided by hyperbolic pole shapes and a required parallelity of the poles of <u>+</u> 0.01 mm. Mirror plates control the fall-off of the fields. For the sextupole magnet which serves as correction magnet for the focal plane tilt circular pole shapes with linear continuation are assumed to be sufficient. The required parallelity of the poles is the same as for the quadrupoles. The quadrupoles, the sextupole, and the power supplies are assumed to be constructed and measured until August 1981.

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Fig. 2 Longitudinal fall-off of the dipole field at the entrance of the dipole magnet at B=1.78 T, B = 1.1 T and B = 0.5 T.

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2.6.5 Further Development of the Detection System for the Magnetic Spectrograph "Little John" S. Zagromski Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, IAK II

The detection system for the magnetic spectrograph previously described (1) has been constructed. Presently, the peripheral equipment for the detector is being designed and collected.

The detector requires a gas supply. Depending on the experimental details it will be filled with a suitable counter gas. This is

an argon(90 %)-methane(10%)-mixture(P-10 gas) or isobutane. The pressure will be adjusted according to the requirements of energy loss in the Δ E-detector. Only parts of the inner space of the detector box comprise the active volume (first position sensitive detector, second position sensitive detector and energy loss (Δ E) detector). The spaces in between these are passive and should ideally be gasless. Because there are thin foils (2 microns hostaphan) between the detector elements, the passive volume has to be at the same pressure as the active volume. This is done by using counter gas or, to reduce multiple scattering in the gas, by using a lighter gas such as Helium.



Fig. 1 Flow chart of the gas supply for the detector.

Both operation-modes (i) filling the passive volume with counter gas P-10 or isobutane and (ii) filling the passive volume with Helium are selectable on the board of the gas supply unit as required for the experiment. The later alternative is considered as the final operation mode, however, initially some experience is needed with the control of pressure at the same level in the two circuits without deformation of the foils. The pressures are controlled by using a gas flow system. The two outlets of passive and active volume are connected to vacuum pumps through needle valves. Pressure switches compare the inlet pressures relative to reference pressures. When using the two different gases, the reference for the active volume is the pressure in the passive volume and the reference for the passive volume is a reference bottle. The switches open solenoid valves whenever the pressures drop 0.1 mbar below that of the reference. Fig. 1 shows a flow chart of the gas supply.

For coating the 2 micron hostaphan foils with gold strips which provide the drift paths of the position sensitive detectors, the frame with the foil (window of 56 x 6 cm^2) is moved over an oven. A special set up with a moving sled was constructed for this, driven by an electromotor.

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2.6.6 <u>A 4π-Spectrometer for Low Energy Beta Decays</u>

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In activation measurements the induced activity of the irradiated nuclei is normally counted via characteristic gamma-ray lines with a high resolution Ge(Li) detector. This kind of data acquisition has the advantage of an easy identification of the radionuclei through the gamma-ray energy and guarantees a good signal-to-background-ratio. For a variety of samples, however, neutron capture leads to a radioisotope with a decay scheme with only weak or uncertain gamma transitions. In these cases one has to rely on counting the induced beta activity.

In order to meet the requirements of absolute activity counting, a 4π Si(Li)- detector system was set up. Fig. 1 shows a cut through the apparatus. The activated sample is sandwiched between two movable Si(Li) detectors in an evacuated chamber. The use of Si(Li) detectors ensures a high efficiency and eliminates the effect of electron backscattering by summing the signals of both detectors. The good energy resolution of this system allows to separate the beta spectrum from accompanying conversion lines. The measurements will be carried out as a function of time to identify the radioisotope by means of its half-life.





3. INTERMEDIATE ENERGY PHYSICS

3.1 MUONIC ATOMS AND QED

3.1.1 Measurements of Nuclear Quadrupole-Moments of Nuclei Around Z = 30

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At the Swiss Institute for Nuclear Research (SIN at Villigen) the X-ray spectra of muonic arsenic $\binom{75}{33}$ As) and copper $\binom{63}{29}$ Cu) were measured. The experiment was performed at the µE1-channel in the momentum mode $150\Pi-85\mu$.

The stopping of the muons was defined by a conventional scintillator telescope. The X-ray spectra were measured with an intrinsic Ge-diode. To detect the 2s+2p transition, which is weak in intensity, a coincidence measurement was performed using a CsF-detector, which identified the high-energetic 2p+1s transition, and the Ge-diode. The spectra for the $3d_{5/2}+2p_{3/2}$ transition of arsenic is shown in Fig. 1.

For the analysis muonic energies and relative intensities were computed by the programs 'RURP' and 'MUON'. The quadrupole-moments were determined by a χ^2 -analysis.

<u>Arsenic:</u> Result of the $2s_{1/2} \rightarrow 2p_{3/2}$ transition: Q = 0.3072 <u>+</u> 0.01346 b Result of the $3d_{5/2} \rightarrow 2p_{3/2}$ transition: Q = 0.3154 <u>+</u> 0.0064 b weighted average: Q = 0.3139 + 0.0058 b

<u>Copper:</u> Only the 3d+2p transition could be examined. Because copper has a smaller quadrupole moment than arsenic and has a lower Z-value,

too, its quadrupole splitting is smaller by about a factor of 2 compared to that of arsenic. Consequently, the relative error of Q was larger in this case.

The result of the $3d_{5/2} \rightarrow 2p_{3/2}$ transition is:

$$Q = 0.22 + 0.015 - 0.0125 b$$

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Fig. 1: The hyperfine structure splitting by quadrupole interaction of the $3d_{5/2} + 2p_{3/2}$ transition of arsenic is shown. The $3d_{3/2} + 2p_{3/2}$ transition, which is weak in intensity, lies in the same energy region as the $3d_{5/2} + 2p_{3/2}$ transition. The $3d_{3/2} + 2p_{1/2}$ transition shows only a hyperfine structure splitting by magnetic interaction.

3.1.2 Precision Determination of the Difference of the Charge Radii of 16 O and 18 O[#]

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The difference of the rms radii of the charge distribution of the oxygen isotopes was determined by a relative measurement of the muonic K-series X-rays. It is $r(^{18}0) - r(^{16}0) = (0.076 \pm 0.005)$ fm.

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3.1.3 Search for a Dynamical EO Excitation in the Muonic $\frac{68}{2}$ Atom*

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Using a coincidence technique, the 2s-2p transition in muonic 68 Zn has been observed. The measured energies were compared with theory and no evidence for a dynamical EO excitation was found indicating a value for the EO matrix element much smaller than predicted.

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3.1.4 Measurement of the g-Factor of the Bound Negative Muon

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For the first time the stroboscopic method was used for negative muons. The g-factor of the negative muon, bound in the ground state of muonic zinc, cadmium and lead was measured:

Zinc: $(g_{free} - g_{Zn})/g_{free} = (0.96 \pm 0.14) \cdot 10^{-2}$ Cadmium: $(g_{free} - g_{Cd})/g_{free} = (2.67 \pm 0.26) \cdot 10^{-2}$ Lead: $(g_{free} - g_{Pb})/g_{free} = (2.92 \pm 0.45) \cdot 10^{-2}$

These results are about a factor of 5 more precise than previous ones which were obtained from time differential measurements¹⁾. The quality can be increased by at least a factor of 10 in future measurements. Fig. 1 shows a stroboscopic spectrum of carbon, which was used as a reference spectrum.

Using the time differential μ SR method, the rest polarisation of the muon in the atomic ground state of muonic sulfur and selenium (two modifications: amorphous selenium, metallic selenium) in comparison to the rest polarisation of the muon in the atomic ground state of muonic carbon was measured:

 $P_{S}/P_{C} = 0.719 \pm 0.024$, $P_{Se-metallic}/P_{c} = 0.75 \pm 0.09$ $P_{Se-amorphous}/P_{C} = 0.88 \pm 0.14$ For the lifetimes of the muon in the atomic ground state of sulfur and selenium the following results could be obtained²):

$$\tau_{S} = (561.1 \pm 1.9) \text{ nsec}, \quad \tau_{Se} = (159.8 \pm 0.6) \text{ nsec}$$

Fig. 2 shows a time differential $\mu^{-}SR$ spectrum of carbon.

Using the muonic Hanle-effect with a carbon target, the direction in polar coordinates of the polarisation vector of the μ -beam in the μ E1-channel of SIN for the 150-85 MeV/c beam was determined:

$$\Phi = (191 \pm 3)^{\circ}, \quad \theta = (9 \pm 1)^{\circ}.$$

The z-axis has the direction of the beam, the x-axis is vertical. Fig. 3 shows the Hanle-spectrum of carbon.

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Fig. 1: Stroboscopic spectrum of muonic carbon



Fig. 2: Time differential μ SR spectrum of muonic carbon



Fig. 3: Muonic Hanle-spectrum of carbon

3.1.5 Search for the μ^-e^+ Conversion with a Low Level Counting Method^{*}

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The experimental facilities of the meson factories stimulated experiments aiming at lower upper limits for processes which are forbidden by separate lepton number conservation. Our experimental approach to measure a branching ratio of the process

 $\mu^{-} + A(Z,N) \rightarrow e^{+} + A(Z-2,N+2)$

was not to detect the emitted positrons (as was done in a recent SIN $experiment^{(1)}$), but was the detection of the recoil nucleus.

We looked for this nucleus by combining highly selective and sensitive radiochemical methods with low level counting techniques. This approach offers several advantages:

- a) no limitation of the useful μ beam intensity
- b) high detection efficiency
- c) high selectivity
- d) accumulation of produced nuclei in beam for several days, measurement off beam.

we have selected the process

$$\mu^{-} + \frac{127}{53} I \rightarrow e^{+} + \frac{127}{51} Sb$$

with the following sequence of decaying nuclei:

$$\frac{127}{57}$$
 Sb $\frac{\beta}{3.85}$ d $\frac{127}{52}$ Te $\frac{\beta}{9.35}$ h $\frac{127}{35}$ I

This particular choice involves a natural pure isotope and leads to a decay chain with two radioactive isotopes. It facilitates the task of chemical separation of ¹²⁷Te which is formed by this process and emits β^- with $E_{max} = 690$ keV. The chemical treatment aimed at the quantitative separation of ¹²⁷Te which was produced by the decay of ¹²⁷Sb.

The extracted amount of Te (together with inactive Te as a tracer) was then introduced into a dedicated low level counting detector and it was searched for a β^- activity showing a 9.35 h decay time. No indication of such an activity has been found. From this we obtain an upper limit for the branching ratio

$$R = \frac{(\mu^{-} + \frac{127}{I} \rightarrow e^{+} + \frac{127}{Sb^{*}})}{(\mu^{-} \rightarrow \nu_{\mu})} < 3 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

with 90% confidence level.

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3.1.6 Nuclear Dynamic Resonance and Neutral Currents in Muonic form

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Dynamic resonance between the muon and nucleus induces an admixture of even and odd parity states much larger than naive expectations would suggest. The parity-violating admixture may induce a measurable angular asymmetry between emitted X-rays and the spins of the muon and nucleus. Such an angular correlation would be evidence for neutral currents in muonic atoms. The presently measured value of the Weinberg angle for the vector hadronic coupling implies an angular correlation asymmetry of almost 10^{-5} .

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A direct way of resolving the controversies existing between atomic physics experiments studying parity violation effects would be the measurement of parity violating effects in atomic hydrogen or in muonic atoms. Moreover an experiment in muonic atoms would also provide a test of lepton universality in the weak neutral current regime and it would measure a different combination of coupling constants than is done in deep inelastic scattering of electrons¹.

The effects of weak neutral currents should be observable as an angular correlation between emitted X-rays and the spins of the muon or of the nucleus. The correlation results from the interference between E1 and E2 multipole amplitudes in transitions from the muonic 3d state to the ground state²). Carefully examining nuclei at Z \approx 70 an optimal case was found in the mixing of F = 3 levels in muonic Thulium where in contrast to earlier work³) also dynamical excitation of the nucleus was taken into account.

The two levels

 $|1^{-}M\rangle = .59|(3p_{1/2} | 1/2) 1M\rangle - .55|(3p_{3/2} | 1/2) 1M\rangle + .58|(3p_{1/2} | 3/2) 1M\rangle$

and

$$|1^{+}M\rangle = .88|(3d_{3/2} \ 1/2)1M\rangle - .46|(3d_{3/2} \ 3/2)1M\rangle$$

+ .13|(3d_{5/2} \ 3/2)1M>

are found to have nearly optimum energy distance which results in a forward-backward asymmetry of the $3\rightarrow 1$ transition of

$$\alpha \approx -1 \times 10^{-5}$$
.

With a dedicated coincidence arrangement measuring the 3d+1s transition with a novel CsF detector in coincidence with its feeding transitions detected by an array of Ge detectors such an effect should be measurable on a three standard deviation level in a reasonable measuring time of about a month.

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The theory of muonic stoms is a complex and highly developed combination of nuclear physics, atomic physics, and quantum electrodynamics. Perhaps nowhere else in microscopic physics are such diverse branches so intimately intertwined and yet readily available for precise experimental verification or rejection. In the present review, we summarize and discuss all of the relevant components of muonic atom theory, and show in selected cases how this theory meets experimental measurements.

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3.1.9 More Nuclear Size Corrections to the Lamb Shift[#]

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An evaluation of previously uncalculated finite size effects on the Lamb shift of normal atoms, using methods which are well-known from muonic atoms, gives corrections which are larger than the experimental uncertainties (40 ppm for the Lamb shift in hydrogen). The additional corrections tend to restore agreement between theory and experiment.

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3.1.10 <u>Use of Furry-Sommerfeld-Maue Wave Functions in Pair</u> Production at Medium and High Energies[™]

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The analytic expression for the differential pair production cross section, obtained using full Furry-Sommerfeld-Maue wave functions for the electron and positron, is integrated numerically over angles without further approximation. The resulting Coulomb corrections to the total pair production cross section are compared with existing interpolations in the energy range 10 MeV to 50 MeV, and their experimental relevance is discussed.

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3.2 PIONIC, KAONIC and ANTIPROTONIC ATOMS

3.2.1 Isotope Effects in Light Pionic Atoms*

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Direct comparison of the pionic K-series X-ray transitions for ${}^{16}\text{O}/{}^{18}\text{O}$ and ${}^{6}\text{Li}/{}^{7}\text{Li}$ has been made and a new measurement of the same transitions in ${}^{3}\text{He}$ has been performed.

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3.2.2 Results of the Search for K-Series X-Rays from Kaonic Hydrogen

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The X-ray spectrum associated with K⁻ stopping in liquid hydrogen was measured with high resolution Si(Li) detectors. The total K X-ray yield is not larger than 8 x 10⁻⁴ per stopped K⁻ assuming no line broadening. A weak line pattern was found, which was tentatively ascribed to the K⁻H K-series X-rays. The shift and width of the 1s level, deduced from this pattern, are $\varepsilon_{1s} = +270+80$ eV and $\Gamma = 560+260$ eV, respectively.

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3.2.3 Results on the Measurement of K-Series X-Rays from Antiprotonic Hydrogen[#]

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The X-ray spectrum emerging from a liquid-hydrogen target when stopping antiprotons was measured with high resolution in order to determine the strong interaction shift and width of the atomic 1s level. Owing to strong Stark quenching only weak structures could be observed. The upper limit of the yield of any one of the K-series transitions is 3.5×10^{-4} (95% C.L.) per stopped antiproton, assuming no broadening of the 1s level. Possible identifications of the weak lines with the K-series transitions are discussed.

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The data of an experiment to search for narrow baryonium states below threshold via detection of high energy gammas has been analysed. The experimental set up, which collected these data, consisted of a modular NaI spectrometer (54 modules) and a 10" x 12" NaI monocrystal. The antiprotons were stopped in a LH₂-target, which was surrounded by an annihilation detector of nearly 4π solid angle allowing the definition of charged and γ -multiplicities.

The performance of the γ -detectors was studied with pions stopping in hydrogen. The absolute and relative calibration and the long term stability of the γ -detection system were controlled with a light pulser system. An energy resolution of 5% at 130 MeV was achieved for the modular NaI. The 10" x 12" NaI had a resolution of about 8%. As a demonstration of the performance we show Fig.1, where reasonable agreement is found between the shapes of the spectra collected with the modular NaI at two different times, and the spectrum obtained in a Monte-Carlo-simulation of the experiment (1). At the high energy part of the spectrum the background is particularly low. The contributions of rare annihilation channels with a monoenergetic π^0 or γ to the gamma spectrum could be studied and are displayed in Table 1.



Table 1: Preliminary results on rare annihilation channels (Relative errors are about 30%)

	data of 1979	data of 1980
$p\bar{p} \rightarrow x\pi^+, y\pi^-, z\pi^0$		· •
$\downarrow \pi p \rightarrow n\gamma$	$8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-3}$
→ρ ⁰ π ⁰ , ωπ ⁰	$6.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$6.4 \cdot 10^{-2}$
→η'γ , φγ	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$9 \cdot 10^{-4}$
→ ηγ	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$
→π ⁰ π ⁰ ,π ⁰ γ	-	$3 \cdot 10^{-5}$

The low energy part of the spectrum dominated by the π^{0} decay photons of the different annihilation channels is the energy domain where possibly baryonium states would show up. In contrast to our previous experiment (2) the sensitivity for the detection of narrow structures was increased by a factor of 5 due to higher statistics and better energy resolution. Again, one finds hints for weak structures at 180 and 220 MeV as in our previous experiment, however, with a 3 times lower yield. The 420 MeVline is not found in this experiment, but a line at 320 MeV can be reported. In Table 2, the preliminary results are summarized and compared with the results of the previous experiment.

	significance		yield		
E _γ [MeV]	1979	1980	1979	1980	previous exp.
180	3σ	3σ	$2.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$7 \cdot 10^{-3}$
220	2 σ	3σ	$2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6 \cdot 10^{-3}$
320	3σ	8σ	$5.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	-
420	-	-	-	-	$8 \cdot 10^{-3}$

Table 2: Preliminary results on narrow bound states in pp-systems

Relative errors about 30%.

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3.2.5 <u>Study of Strong Interaction Effects in Antiprotonic Isotopes</u> ⁶Li/⁷Li

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Low energetic antiprotons have been stopped in thin targets of isotopically pure lithium. The x-rays emitted during the atomic deexcitation were measured with four high resolution Si(Li) detectors. The two identically shaped targets were alternately exposed to the beam. Their positions were automatically exchanged at regular intervalls, thus providing a relative measurement of isotope effects, which is expected to be free of systematic errors.

Due to the surprisingly low yield of the last observable transition, i.e. the 3d-2p transition, the analysis of the data turned out to be difficult. Nevertheless, the high statistics and the improved signal to background ratio (as compared to a previous experiment at Brookhaven (1)) allowed to detect lines with yields as small as several 10^{-4} per stopped antiproton. All background lines could be identified. Fig. 1 displays that part of the spectrum, where the 3d-2p-transition is detected.

The strong interaction effects in the lower level (ε_{2p} , Γ_{2p}) could be obtained immediately from the 3d-2p transition. The upper width Γ_{3d} is extracted from the intensity of the L_{α}-line related to the M-series. Table 1 displays the result.



<u>Fig.1:</u> 3d-2p transition in \overline{p}^{6} Li and \overline{p}^{7} Li

Table 1: Strong interaction effec	ts in	pLi	and	p'L
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		⁶ Li	7 _{Li}	
E _{exp} :	keV	26.65 ± .72	27.11 ± .06	
ε _{2p} :	eV	-230 ± 72	-336 ± 60	
^г 2р:	eV	443 ± 210	456 ± 190	
^г зd:	eV	.13 ± .045	$.21 \pm .062$	
Y _{rel} :		$0.48 \pm .017$	$.030 \pm .009$	
Y _{abs} per	, ^p stop	∼.011	∼.007	

In comparison to the previous experiment (1) we achieved a much higher significance (8σ) for both isotopes. Moreover the transitions were not properly assigned in the previous experiment.

Comparison of the data with the prediction of a simple optical model with two free parameters (real and imaginary part of an effective scattering length) showed agreement in the strong interaction effects of the lower level(2p), however, disagreement in the width of the 3d-niveau. As a best fit of the data together with the results of an experiment on the elements ${}^{14}N$, ${}^{16}O$, ${}^{32}S$ (Ref.2) we found an effective scattering length of a = 1.1 \pm 1.9 fm. The large isotope effects in the 2p-shift and the 3d-width couldn't be explained and will need an elaborated microscopic model.

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3.2.6 Low Energy Kaon and Antiproton Nucleon Interactions

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The installation of an internal target in LEAR allows, apart from other application, the creation of antineutrons through the \bar{p} charge exchange reaction $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{n}n$ with highest production rates, when compared to other methods. The internal target technique, in conjunction with beam cooling provides a windowless source, the recuperation of non-interacting antiprotons, highest energy and angular resolution, and gives access to lowest energies (see Fig. 1).

The number of antineutrons produced on an internal target installed in LEAR are estimated for an optimized operation (cf. Fig.2). It turned out that the antineutron rates are comfortable to study the charge exchange and antineutron induced reactions in detail. CM-energy resolution of some KeV can be achieved with this technique.

The main aspects of the physics interest in reactions involving antineutrons are the disentanglement of isospin singlet and triplet scattering amplitudes, tests of particular terms of boson exchanges, access to extremely low energy $\bar{n}p$ and $\bar{n}n$ interactions and a specific approach to annihilation. Experimental results in this field would considerably help to understand the low energy $\bar{N}N$ interaction on the basis of a working model.





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3.3 PION NUCLEUS INTERACTION

3.3.1 Pion Absorption in 3 He

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Two- and three-body decays following the absorption of stopped negative pions in ³He have been investigated for the first time in a kinematically complete measurement. nn, pn and dn coincidences have been measured using 2 m long position sensitive TOF-counters and a total absorption counter, respectively. Additionally, coincidences with pionic K-X-rays have been recorded which allows to distinguish between absorption from atomic S- and P-orbits. The experiment was done at the π E1-channel at SIN. A cooled (5 K) gas target has been used.

Results from the 3-body decay are available in the form of a Dalitz-Plot. As a one-dimensional representation, the density distribution along the (circular) circumsphere of the kinematically allowed region is given in Fig. 2. Four peaks in this distribution can be seen corresponding to the nn final state interaction FSI(nn) region, the quaifree absorption on a pp-pair QFA(pp), the np final state interaction FSI(pn), and to the quasifree absorption on a np-pair QFA(pn), respectively. The ratios of the corresponding peak areas are

FSI(nn):QFA(pp):FSI(pn):QFA(pn)

 $=(1.6\pm0.3):(5.9\pm0.2):(11.8\pm0.5):(80.7\pm8.7)$

for S- and P-absorption. They do not seem to change drastically for pure S-absorption. The nnp/nd ratio is $9.54 \begin{array}{c} +2.96 \\ -1.50 \end{array}$. The rather strong concentration of the events at 180° can be seen in the angular distributions for the QFA(pp) and FSI(pn) peak, respectively (Fig. 3).



Fig. 1: Dalitz plot in triangular coordinates.



Fig. 2: Density distributions in polar coordinates (see Fig.1).



Fig. 3: Angular distributions of the QFA(pp) and FSI(nn) peak.

3.3.2 Absorption of Stopped Negative Pions in ⁶Li

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The aim of the experiment is to explore the mechanism of pion absorption, with special emphasis on the composite particles (deuterons, tritons) emitted with high energies. In order to minimize sequential processes we have chosen the target 6 Li, being a rather light nucleus with well-known properties.

The measurements have been performed at SIN. All pairs of particles, being combinations of neutrons, protons, deuterons and tritons have been detected simultaneously, using two large (2 m long) position sensitive TOF counters (for n, p, d, t) and a 3 x 4 matrix of total absorption counters, 17 cm x 17 cm x 8 cm each, in connection with MWP-chambers (for p, d, t). All counters are capable of particle identifications. Table 1 shows the measured branching ratios for the respective reaction channels. In addition, for all particle combinations the following distributions are available: E_1 versus E_2 , recoil momentum versus missing energy, opening angle and angle between sum and difference of the particle momenta.

	n	р	d	t
n	∼ 80			
р	6	<0.01		
d	9.2	0.12	0.17	
t	4.4	0.24	0.47	0.105
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Table 1: Observed branching ratios for 150⁰ - 180⁰. The numbers give percentages. The thresholds are 17, 21, 28 and 32 MeV for n, p, d and t, respectively.







Fig. 2: Recoil momentum distribution for the nd-channel. The curve shows a simple calculation for a 1 S (t-³He)-intercluster motion.




3.3.3 Measurements of the Elastic π^{\pm} ¹²C Scattering at Forward Angles and of the Total Cross-Sections for the π^{\pm} ¹²C Interaction at Energies Below the (3.3)-Resonance

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In the last year first measurements of the elastic scattering of $\pi^{\pm 12}$ C for 60 and 80 MeV covering an angular interval between 7.5⁰ and 27.5⁰ and of the total cross-sections of $\pi^{\pm}~^{12}\text{C}$ for energies between 50 and 90 MeV were carried out. These measurements aim at a detailed investigation of the Coulomb-nuclear interference in order to determine the real and imaginary parts of the nuclear forward scattering amplitude, which represent an important input for forward dispersion relations. The experimental set-up for the elastic scattering of pions on carbon is particularly suited for the rejection of decay muons, which represent the main background for pion nucleus scattering at forward angles. Six multiwire proportional chambers register the incident and scattered particles. In addition the scattered particles are detected by a matrix of six 3 mm thick Si(Li) detectors of an area 50 x 30 mm² in order to determine their energy losses, by a plastic scintillator to determine their time-of-flight and by a NaI(T1) detector of 15 x 15 x 15 \mbox{cm}^3 to determine their full energies. The set-up for the measurement of total cross-sections is modified such that large area multiwire proportional chambers (384 x 384 wires, 2 mm apart) are used for the detection of the scattered particles and that the six Si(Li) detectors, the time-of-flight counter and the NaI are omitted. The data taken are evaluated presently.

This activity is also regarded as a preparation of future measurements of the elastic scattering of π^{\pm} on protons at low energies and small angles and as a preparation of measurements with a new magnetic spectrometer at SIN. For that purpose soft ware developments, studies of the muon background and developments of new wire chambers are necessary.

3.3.4 <u>Neutron and Proton Components of Nuclear Transitions in Pion</u> Inelastic Scattering on ²⁶Mg^{*}

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The elastic and inelastic scattering of 180 MeV positive and negative pions from 26 Mg has been measured. From these data the ratios of neutron and proton nuclear transition matrix elements have been determined for the first and second excited states. These ratios are compared with those obtained from electromagnetic transitions in mirror nuclei and with shell model predictions.

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3.3.5 <u>Wide Angular Range Study of the Reaction ${}^{16}O(\pi^-, 2n){}^{14}N$ </u> With Stopped Pions^{*}

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A first kinematically complete investigation of the reaction ${}^{16}O(\pi^-,2n){}^{14}N$ with stopped pions has been performed at the CERN SC over a wide angular range.

Measured distributions in excitation energy of the residual nucleus, recoil momentum, and angle between the two neutrons are presented. They are compared with theoretical predictions on two-hole states and with detailed calculations on the quasi-free two-nucleon absorption process.

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3.4 PROTON-PROTON INTERACTION EXPERIMENTS

3.4.1 <u>Measurement of the Spin Correlation Parameter A</u>oonn <u>and the Polarization A_{oono} in Elastic p-p Scattering</u> Between 400 and 600 MeV^{*}

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We have measured the spin correlation parameter A_{oonn} and the polarization A_{oono} for p-p elastic scattering in the c.m. angular range between 30° and 90° at seven energies between 400 and 600 MeV. The experiment was performed at SIN using a polarized beam and target and a fast on-line event reconstruction method. The results are compared with phase-shift predictions.

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3.4.2 <u>A Phenomenological Interpretation of the Production Cross</u> Section for the Reaction $p + p \rightarrow \pi^+ + d^*$

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Using new data on the unpolarized differential cross section for the reaction pp+ π d, obtained by the NESIKA collaboration at SIN, the energy dependence of the anisotropy parameters γ_0, γ_2 , and γ_4 is interpreted phenomenologically. Especially the energy dependence of γ_4 , which is stronger than predicted theoretically, could be understood as being due to the behaviour of a production amplitude with ℓ_{π} =3 near threshold.

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3.4.3 Energy Dependence of the $pp \rightarrow \pi^+ d$ Differential Cross Section Between 500 and 600 MeV^{**}

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The unpolarized differential cross section for the reaction $pp \rightarrow \pi^+ d$ has been measured at SIN at seven energies between 514 and 583 MeV. Data are presented in terms of a Legendre polynominal expansion. An observed strong energy dependence of the 4th order coefficient can be understood as a threshold phenomenon in a phenomenological N Δ resonant description. No evidence was found for a ${}^{1}D_{2}$ dibaryon resonance near 600 MeV.

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3.4.4 Measurements on the Pion Production from the Reaction $pp \rightarrow \pi^+ d$

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The reaction $pp \rightarrow \pi^+ d$ is a fundamental process for the description of pion production and absorption in nuclear matter. At SIN energies it is restricted to small angular momenta so that only few production amplitudes contribute. The purpose of our activity is to gain increased, detailed information about these production amplitudes, step by step. The measurements are of current interest due to conjectured dibaryon resonances (${}^{1}D_{2}$ and ${}^{3}F_{3}$) which could effect the $pp \rightarrow \pi^+ d$ reaction.

The differential cross section $(d\sigma/d\Omega)_0$ for unpolarized particles is governed between 500 and 600 MeV by singlet amplitudes, so that it should be sensitive to an anomaly in the ${}^{1}D_2$ initial state. The analysing power A exists as an interference between singlet and triplet amplitudes, therefore it should give information with regard to the state ${}^{3}F_{3}$.

1. The Differential Cross Section $(d\sigma/d\Omega)_0$

The angular distribution of the production cross section was measured with the priviously described method¹⁾ using the arrangement sketched in Fig.1a, for seven proton energies E_p from 514 to 583 MeV. The telescopes p1 and p2 served as beam monitor. They detect pp elastic scattering at 90° in the CM system, and were calibrated absolutely according to the diagram shown in Fig.1b.A third telescope p3 recorded the incident protons (about 1.5×10^7 /sec) while a target detector p4 ($1 \times 1 \times 5 \text{ cm}^3$) determined the portion (70 to 85%) of the beam which struck the CH₂ target in the measurement of ($d\sigma/d\Omega$)₀.

The anisotropy parameters a_{2i}^{00} are obtained from the normalized angular distribution according to the parametrization²)

$$(d\sigma/d\Omega)_{o} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{i=0}^{2} a_{2i}^{oo} P_{2i}(\cos\Theta_{cm})$$
(1)

 $(P_{2i} = Legendre Polynomials)$. Our Results (Fig.2) show a strong energy dependence, especially in a_4^{00} which is not predicted by microscopic theories. For reference a phenomenological interpretation³ considering the known data from $E_p=0$ to 1 GeV can reproduce the energy dependence of a_{2i}^{00} as being due to threshold behaviour of an $\ell_{\pi}=3$ amplitude. No indication for a ${}^{1}D_{2}$ dibaryon resonance was found⁴.



Fig. 1:

Schematic drawing of the arrangement for measuring the differential cross section $(d\sigma/d\Omega)_0$ (a), the absolute normalization (b), and the analysing power A (c). The detectors are labelled according to the particles they detect (p,π or d), MWIC = multiwire ionisation chambers.







Comparison of our results for the parameters a²⁹ (Eq.1) with the result of a phenomenological interpretation (Ref.3) (solid lines) and a theoretical prediction (Ref. 5) (dashed lines).

Fig. 3:

Experimental results for the analysing power A with fitted curves (Ref. 7) and theoretical predictions (Ref. 5) (dashed lines).

2. The Analysing Power A

The analysing power describes the spin dependent part of the differential cross section $d\sigma/d\Omega = (d\sigma/d\Omega)_0$ (1+APcos Θ_{cm}). For the measurement of A a symmetric arrangement (Fig.1c) was employed. As a result of the double valued nature of the deuteron angle in the lab. system two detectors, πf

and πb can be operated in coincidence with each of the detectors dL and dR. To eliminate spurious asymmetries, the direction of the proton polarisation P (.4165 \pm .0040⁶) was rotated 180^o by a superconducting solenoid between two measurements. The coincidence count rates N, after background subtraction give the analysing power

A =
$$\frac{1}{p} \times \frac{r-1}{r+1}$$
, with $r = \left(\frac{N_{L\uparrow} \times N_{R\downarrow}}{N_{L\downarrow} \times N_{R\uparrow}}\right)^{1/2}$.

Angular dependencies obtained are given in Fig. 3. Additional data at intermediate energies are not yet evaluated. The solid lines in Fig. 3 are fitted curves for obtaining parameters similar to those defined in Eq.(1) $^{7)}$. Our results differ significantly from theoretical predictions $^{5)}$.

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3.4.5 Evidence for a Dibaryon Signal in the Measurement of Elastic $\frac{\pi^+ - d_{pol}}{2}$ Scattering

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The vector analyzing power (iT₁₁) in elastic π -d_{pol} scattering has been measured for several angles at T_π=142 and 256 MeV. The results are compared with calculations reported in the literature. At the lower energies, Faddeev calculations agree fairly well with the data. At the higher energies, the experimental results differ markedly from any conventional calculation, but agree surprisingly well with predictions in which effects of dibaryon resonances are explicitly included.

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In the study of parity violation by the scattering of longitudinally polarized spin $\frac{1}{2}$ particles, systematic errors arise from the presence of small polarization components perpendicular to the beam. A quantitative treatment of these errors is presented. It is shown that non-uniform polarization distributions over the beam profile give sizeable effects even if the average transverse polarization vanishes. Methods are presented which permit accurate correction of the parity measurements of the presence of transverse polarization components. It is shown that the necessary information can be obtained by measuring four suitably chosen one-dimensional intensity and polarization distributions within the beam. Finally, possible origins of the non-uniform polarization distributions are outlined.

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3.4.7 Test of Parity Violation in pp-Scattering with Longitudinally Polarized Protons at 45 MeV

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According to modern weak interaction theories a small weak, strangenessconserving contribution is expected in the nucleon-nucleon-interaction. This contribution should manifest itself through the parity violating signature of the weak interaction. Since parity is (assumed to be) conserved in the strong nuclear interaction the observation of parity violation in nuclear processes is a clear indication of a weak interaction contribution, whose structure can then be studied.

Although parity violation has been clearly observed in several nuclear processes involving medium and heavy nuclei¹⁾ the quantitative interpretation of the results is difficult, because one has to know the nuclear wave functions accurately. In view of these difficulties processes involving only few nucleon systems are better suited for a detailed investigation of these effects. We studied parity violation in pp-scattering following a suggestion by Simonius²⁾.

The principle of measurement consists essentially of measuring the relative change in cross section (suitably angle integrated) as the polarization vector is changed from positive to negative helicity. Since the scattering cross section is proportional to the ratio of the number of scattered protons, N_s , to the number of incident protons, N_n , the longitudinal analyzing power A, can be written as

$$A_{Z} = (\sigma^{+} - \sigma^{-})/(\sigma^{+} + \sigma^{-}) = \frac{1}{|P_{z}|} (N_{s}^{+}/N_{p}^{+} - N_{s}^{-}/N_{p}^{-}) / (N_{s}^{+}/N_{p}^{+} + N_{s}^{-}/N_{p}^{-})$$

where P_{τ} is the magnitude of the beam polarization.

We briefly describe our experimental setup (cf. Fig.1): Polarized protons $(1.2 \ \mu A \text{ on target})$ are produced in the SIN polarized ion-source. After accelerating the beam in the SIN injector cyclotron to 50 MeV a solenoid (S) precesses the vertical polarization (P_v) into the horizontal plane, and a 47.6⁰ defelction magnet (M) produces a longitudinally polarized beam. Protons scattered in a 100-atm H_2 target (T) by 23⁰-52⁰ enter a cylindrical ionization chamber (diameter 4 cm) filled with 1 atm H_2 .

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Fig. 1: Schematic diagram of the experimental arrangement. The figure shows the spin precession elements (solenoid S, deflection magnet M), the beam scanners H1 and H2, the beam modulation elements Q, W1, W2 and the scattering chamber. The inset shows the scattering chamber in more detail: the target vessel (T), the Faraday cup (FC), and the ionization chamber which consists of an aluminium foil (F) at 10 kV and the ion collector (C).

To obtain N_s^{\pm} and N_p^{\pm} , the currents from the ionization chamber and the Faraday cup are integrated for 20 msec. Individual 20 msec measurements are separated by 10 msec dead time, during which the polarization is reversed, the digitized integrated charges are stored in a computer and beam scanners move through the beam.

The principal problem of the experiment is the elimination of systematic errors. We consider the following instrumental effects:(1) transverse polarization components, (2) beam intensity modulations correlated with spin reversal, (3) beam position and emittance modulations correlated with spin reversal, (4) spurious electronic effects, (5) asymmetry of β-decays of activated nuclei, (6) influence of the regular analyzing power in double scattering.

For pp-scattering, calculations $^{1)}$ show that A_z has a broad maximum near 50 MeV (determined solely by kinematics and the pp strong phase shifts), whereas the absolute value of A_z depends of course on the weak force. Recent calculations¹⁾ predict A_z around $-3x10^{-7}$ at 45 MeV. The experimental results obtained so far at 15 MeV and 45 MeV by several groups give $(-2.4 + 0.7) \times 10^{-7}$, when all measurements are referred to 45 MeV, a result which is heavily dominated by our result (-2.3 \pm 0.8) x 10⁻⁷, which includes previous data 3 .

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3.5 INSTRUMENTATION AND APPLICATIONS

3.5.1 <u>A New Magnetic Spectrometer for the Scattering of Low Energy</u> Pions on Nuclei to be Installed at SIN

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A new magnetic spectrometer for the scattering of low energy pions on nuclei will be built during 1981/1982. The concept was developed in the last year. The spectrometer will consist of a quadrupole triplet and a split-pole magnet (QQQDD type). The split-pole part of the instrument will be a stand-alone spectrometer capable of analyzing a range of 70 to 240 MeV/c pions with a solid angle of 20 msr at a field strength of 1.33 T. The quadrupole triplet refocuses the target spot onto an object detector about 50 cm from the entrance of the split-pole and to a waist in the middle of the split-pole. The momentum range will be $\pm 20\%$, the dispersion D = 1.45 cm/% in the focal plane, the magnification M = 0.67, the D/M ratio consequently 2.16 cm/%. The mean radius of the dipoles will be 50 cm, the deflection angle 60⁰. Raytrace calculations showed that the aberrations for the split-pole are remarkable small. In particular, the smallness of the x/θ^3 and $x/\theta^2\delta$ terms are unusual for this kind of instrument. Remaining aberrations are of passing interest since the momentum will be determined between the object and the focal plane by multiwire chambers, Further optimizations in order to maximize the transmitted phase space through the quadrupole triplet are presently underway. Fig.1 shows a preliminary sketch of the spectrometer.



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The measurement of antiprotonic K_{α} X-rays in hydrogen (deuterium) is a long standing problem still not solved in medium energy physics.

Recent calculations¹⁾ show that it should be possible to observe this transition in gaseous targets with pressures less than 10 Torr. Here, the difficulty arises that only a small number of antiprotons can be stopped in such a target if not special means are developed.

In a proposal to CERN we developed the idea to use a cyclotron like field where the antiprotons are injected with a certain momentum corresponding to its radial position at a given magnetic field. Guided by the focussing properties at the cyclotron field the antiproton will then spiral into the center of the system.

Several calculations were performed in order to determine the influence of multiple scattering at different target pressure on the beam dynamics at the antiproton. It was studied which momentum width and angular divergence of the initial beam can be accepted by our system.

As criteria for the determination of the acceptance a cylindrical volume for the stopping region was defined with a radius of 4 cm and a length of 10 cm with the axis of this cylinder coincident with the axis of the system.

It could be shown that even a beam with a $\Delta p/p$ at about 20% can be accepted the better the lower the pressure. The angular divergence of

40 mrad which is typical for the beam we want to inject will be easily accepted.

Also the focussing properties compensate for multiple scattering of particles in the course of the slowing down process resulting in a well defined stopping distribution in the center of the system.

The calculations performed served as a basis for the design of a superconducting split coil magnet system, which is now under discussion.

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An experimental program on the proton-proton scattering is presently running at SIN. This article gives the technical details of the employed instruments and equipments. It reviews in particular the SIN polarized proton beam, the large scale equipments, the LH₂ and the polarized targets, the detectors, the electronics, the on-line computer and the different basic layouts. Eventually these materials may be splitted into separated articles. However, we found more valuable to present here a complete picture which reflects the "state of the art".

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3.5.4 <u>An Azimuthal Segmented Cylindrical Drift Chamber System</u> with Two-Dimensional Readout^{*}

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The construction of a low mass, self-supporting cylindrical drift chamber, which is segmented in the azimuthal direction, is described. The second coordinate is determined by the charge division method. The left-right ambiguity is solved by staggering the five anode-wires of each module by ± 0.25 mm. In addition to the constructional problems the electronic processing of the chamber signals and first measurements on a test module are presented.

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3.5.5 <u>Set-Up and Test Measurements on a Segmented Drift Chamber</u> with Two-Dimensional Readout

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During the last years we studied the possibility to measure drift time and charge amplitude from one wire simultaneously without loosing accuracy. Optimal performance was found by applying a grated negative high voltage to the cathode in order to get a constant drift velocity and a positive high voltage to the readout wire in order to optimize the gas amplification.

We developed a concept of a modular system of drift chambers consisting of 15 modules forming a cylinder of 1 m length. The mechanical details, calculations of the grated drift field and first results of a test module are described elsewhere (1). A further test of a first module was performed at CERN with p and π^- of 600 MeV/c, with the aim to optimize the electronical set-up, to determine space resolution and to develop an evaluation program. As result we found a constant drift velocity over the whole drift space and a resolution of \pm 0.3 mm. The resolution along the wire was measured to 100 mm FWHM in the middle of the wire, which corresponds to 1% of the length of the wire. The resolution gets worse to about 2% at the ends of the wire. Fig.1 shows a beam spot (triggered by a scintillation counter of $0.5 \times 0.5 \text{ cm}^2$) along the wire. Using the total charge amplitude of each of the 5 wires we selected the three smallest values as dE/dx information of the chamber. Thus we achieved an enormous reduction of the Landau tail of the energy loss distribution and we were able to distinguish between antiprotons and pions due to their energy loss.

Meanwhile the total system is assembled and is under test at the PS in CERN.

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3.5.6 Development and Tests of Multiwire Proportional Chambers

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Multiwire proportional chambers of various sizes and shapes were developed and tested during the last years. They were used for various experiments:

- 1. for the external visualization of the pion range¹)
- 2. for measurements of small angle pion scattering²)
- 3. for low energy elastic scattering of pions on 12 C and total cross-section measurements,
- 4. for measurements of the beam properties of the PIOTRON $^{3)}$.

During the last year plane large area chambers of a size of $80\times80 \text{ cm}^2$ and a prototype low mass cylindrical chamber of 17 cm diameter and 33 cm active length were built. The large plane chambers consist of two readout planes (x- and y-coordinates) and three high voltage planes. Each readout plane contains 384 wires of 20 μ m diameter, 2 mm apart. The high voltage planes contain wires of 100 μ m diameter, 1 mm apart. The measured efficiency equals 98% per plane.

The cylindrical chamber consists of 255 readout wires of 20 μ m diameter, 2 mm apart fixed parallel to the cylinder envelope on two circular supports of glass fibre strengthened plastics (GFK material). High voltage is supplied by a special 140 μ m thick high voltage foil with 80 strips (of 3 mm width, 1 mm apart), which is attached to an inner cylinder of Rohacell 31. The strips are inclined relatively to the readout wires by an angle of 49⁰. The gap widths are 5 mm, the readout wire tension is 60 p. The high voltage is supplied by a copper plated capton foil attached to the inner side of an outer Rohacell cylinder. The inner and outer Rohacell cylinders contain the detector gas. Readout electronics is applied as well to the readout wires as to the 80 high voltage strips. This way the coordinates of an incident charged particle can be registered in two dimensions.



Fig.1: Plane multiwire proportional chamber of a size of 80 x 80 cm² (384 x 384 wires).



Fig. 2: Cylindrical multiwire proportional chamber. Fig. 1 shows a plane large area chamber, while Fig. 2 shows the cylindrical chamber, revealing the readout wires parallel to the cylinder envelope and the high-voltage strips, inclined by 49° to the readout wires.

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3.5.7 Experimental Investigations of the External Visualization of Stopping Density Distributions of Pions in Biological Matter

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The aims of this work were twofold:

to clarify the basic physical aspects of an external pion range monitor and to propose a practicable device for pion irradiations at SIN. The following processes occurring within the stopping region were exploited for the external visualization:

- 1. The radiative capture of pions on protons $\pi^- p \rightarrow n\gamma$ (by means of the registration of ny-coincidences)
- 2. The decay sequence $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \rightarrow e^+$ (for positive pions only) (by means of the detection of positrons)
- 3. The radiative capture of pions on nuclei like carbon or oxygen (by means of the detection of high energetic photons).

In the last year detailed investigations for the optimization of the external visualization detecting the high energetic photons from the radiative capture of negative pions on carbon and oxygen, carried out in 1979, were evaluated. These photons were converted into electrons and positrons either within the target material itself or in an external Pb-converter. They were collimated by a Pb-collimator in order to define their direction. Three cases were distinguished electronically:

- a) the emission of charged particles, i.e. protons, or electrons due to the conversion of photons within the target volume;
- b) the emission of neutral particles, i.e. neutrons and photons from the target converted in the Pb-collimator and Pb-converter;
- c) the emission of neutral particles from the target, converted in the Pb-converter exclusively.

Fig. 1 shows the measured full width at half maximum (FWHM) of the pion range peak as a function of the minimum energy of the detected particles for a water

target. Full circles indicate case a), open circles indicate case b), triangles and squares denote case c) with a 3 mm and 6 mm thick Pbconverter, respectively. It turnes out that the best possible spatial resolution for monitoring the pion range is obtained for cases a) and c). The spatial resolution of the range monitor not including the stopping density distribution of pions equals 16 mm (FWHM). In addition the detection efficiencies as function of the minimum energy of the detected particles were measured, the multiple scattering within the target volume by varying the target extensions perpendicular to the beam axis was investigated and the possible use of high energetic protons and neutrons from the stopping region for visualization purposes was studied. The proposed range monitor appears to be of particular value for tests of therapy plans at the new medical pion facility PIOTRON at SIN. The restricted available space at the PIOTRON complicates the operation of such a range monitor in vivo, i.e. during patient irradiations.



Fig. 1: Full width at half maximum (FWHM) of the pion range peak as a function of the minimum energy of the detected particles for a water target. For the various symbols used see text.

3.5.8 Test of a Pion Range Monitor Using the Radiative Capture of Pions on Protons $\pi^- p \rightarrow n\gamma^{\#}$

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The present paper demonstrates that neutron-photon pairs from radiative capture of stopped pions on chemically bound protons can be used to measure the range of negative pions within phantoms or a patient. Experimental results are given for a polyethylene and a water target of realistic size as well as for a Rando phantom. Monte-Carlo calculations were carried out in order to study the influence of various sizes of treatment volumes, detector geometries and neutron scattering within the targets upon the accuracy of the pion range determination. The results reveal clearly that a pion range monitor for the control of therapy plans and for actual patient irradiations can be designed according to the proposed principle. The absorbed dose required for a measurement is of the order of 0.1 Gy for a single pion beam, if one aims at an accuracy of range determination of a few millimeters.

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3.5.9 Distributions of Absorbed Dose from π -Meson Beams Calculated from a New Monte Carlo Program^{*}

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We describe the structure and the physical input data of a new Monte Carlo program for calculations of the absorbed dose which is transferred by negatively charged pions to tissue equivalent phantoms. The program is based mainly on experimentally determined input data. Contributions to absorbed dose from nuclear reactions of pions in flight and from nuclear fragmentation following the absorption of stopped pions were studied in detail. The resulting dose distributions are presented for cases of narrow as well as extended parallel beams of π -mesons with an initial average momentum of 170 MeV/c.

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3.5.10 Energy Deposition Spectra of π -Particles Calculated from Pion Nucleus Interaction Data

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The biological effectiveness of an irradiation with negatively charged pions is not fully parametrized by the physical dose at a given site. Therefore, at least the ionization density connected with the energy transfers to the matter should be known. More exactly, the relative biological effectiveness (RBE) of a given absorbed dose can be deduced from the distributions of linear energy transfer (LET) or lineal energy (y). Continuing our work¹⁾ on distributions of absorbed dose from pions, we have calculated LET- as well as y-spectra for the two characteristic regions of a depth dose curve on the basis of a comprehensive set of data from experimental intermediate energy physics with pions.

The main results are reproduced in Fig.1. The two upper parts show the relative doses for the plateau and Bragg-peak regions, respectively, as a function of LET_{∞} . The plateau spectrum (left) reveals a large contribution from fast pions within a narrow interval of LET_{∞} and only a small amount of energy is lost from particles generated within strong interaction processes on nuclei of the phantom. The Bragg-peak spectrum shows a very broad shape, where all of the various secondary particles generated from nuclear capture processes contribute with their corresponding energy losses. This spectrum is characterized by a peak of contributions from hydrogen isotopes, a flat part at intermediate values of LET, the so-called ⁴He edge, and a small contribution from heavy fractions.

For the matter of a comparison between the calculated LET-spectra and the measured spectra of lineal energy y at least two effects have to be taken into account: the distribution of cord lengths of particles crossing the detector volume and the production of δ -rays including their escape from the detection volume. The former was regarded assuming a spherical shape of 1 μ m radius for the sensitive volume. The latter effect has been treated in a semi-empirical way. The average energy of δ -rays, which is

transported out of a cylinder of 1 μ m radius around the particle track was calculated using the formalism of Butts and $Katz^{2}$, whereas the shape of the y-spectrum for these electrons was taken from the work of Kliauga and Dvorak 3 , who used photoelectrons of appropriate energies. The results from this approximate transformation of the LET-spectra into energy deposition spectra are given by the histograms in the lower half of Fig. 1. The points reproduce experimentally obtained spectra of lineal energy from the work of Schuhmacher et al. $^{4)}$. The overall agreement between the calculated and the experimental energy deposition spectra is very good and illustrates the equivalence of data which were obtained from microdosimetry and from nuclear physics experiments with negatively charged pions. Further agreement may be obtained in the case of the plateau-spectrum by the microscopical treatment of small energy transfers and in the case of the Bragg-peak spectrum by inclusion of dose contributions from pion energy straggling which are expected around 1 keV μ m⁻¹. The main advantages of our method are to give a simple way for the calculation of energy deposition spectra, to include automatically the individual beam conditions, and to get a further parameterization of the dose, at a fixed value of y, by the particle nature from which the dose is transferred. The last point is expecially useful with respect to estimates of radiation quality for biomedical purposes in view of the existence of track structure effects.

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<u>Fig.1</u>: The relative absorbed doses in the plateau region (left half) and in the Bragg-peak region (right half) of the dose distribution originating from an irradiation of the water phantom by a beam of negatively charged pions (initial momentum 176 MeV/c \pm .85% FWHM), water depths 14.2 and 20.1 g cm⁻²). The dotted curves are reproduced from the experimental work of Schuhmacher et al.⁴)

3.5.11 <u>Multiple Scattering Distributions for Therapeutic Pion</u> Beams^{*}

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Accurate treatment planning for therapeutic beams of negative pions requires knowledge of the multiple scattering of pions in biologically relevant materials. Complete spatial and angular scattering distributions have been measured for pions in scatterers of carbon, water and calcium. Measurements were made for targets varying in thickness from 0.5 to 21 g cm⁻² and for pions with ranges of approximately 12 and 20 g cm⁻². An array of scintillators, multiwire drift and multiwire proportional chambers was used to record the scattering of individual particles. These data are compared with the results of Molière scattering theory. The implications for pion treatment planning are discussed.

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3.5.12 <u>Measurements of the Properties of 60 Single Beams of the</u> New Medical Pion Channel 'PIOTRON' at SIN

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The precise knowledge of the beam properties is one of the basic requirements of therapy planning for radiation therapy with negative pions. For the new SIN superconducting pion therapy channel an appropriate device was constructed which can be rotated with high precision around the axis of the patient treatment chamber in order to determine the parameters of the 60 single beams. The detection system consisted of three scintillation counters and three multiwire proportional chambers to identify electrons, muons, and pions and to reconstruct the particle trajectories. Beam profiles and divergencies in both x- and y-direction (which are parallel to the extensions of a beam slit) were measured $^{1)}$. Figs.1 and 2 show map displays of the phase space distributions in the $x \text{-} \Theta_{_{\! X}}$ and $y \text{-} \Theta_{_{\! V}}$ planes of a single beam, respectively. The shape of the emittance polygons, which is similar to parallelogrammes, is in accordance with magnetooptical calculations. Fig.3 shows as an example a polar diagramme indicating the position in beam direction (z-coordinate) of the x-waist, i.e. the focus in the x-direction for all 60 beams. The mean z-position is 80 mm off the centre of the PIOTRON. The deviations from exact cylinder symmetry of the x-waist position are of the order of \pm 5 mm.

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Fig.1: Map display of the phase space distribution in the $x - \Theta_x$ plane for a single beam





<u>Fig.3:</u> Polar diagramme of the position in beam direction of the x-waist for all 60 beams.

3.5.13 Calculations on Electron Cooling in Storage Rings

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The aim of the calculations is to predict the performance of electron cooling in LEAR on stored proton and antiproton beams in various operation conditions. In a computer simulation program, the force exerted by the electrons on individual particles of a sample during single passages of the electron beam region is calculated. This procedure is based on the work of M. Bell¹ in which cooling rates are found to be in agreement with the results of the experiments at the ICE storage ring.

The simulation, so far limited to the description of the decrease of the phase space volume of an initial distribution, is now being extended to arrive at a stationary sample distribution representing a real, continously stored particle beam. To this end, the scattering of the particles by gas molecules inside the ring and the intrabeam scattering is taken into account by applying mean growth rates for beam size and momentum spread derived from the widths of emittance and momentum distributions of the actual stored beam.

The simulation program will be used to predict the equilibrium state of the circulating beam; the working of electron cooling can be studied in the presence of additional actions of the stored beam by, e.g., stochastic longitudinal beam blow-up in connection with a slow extraction, and for different properties of the electron beam, considering variations of the electron energy and the electron motion transverse to the stored particle beam.

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3.5.14 Implications of an Internal Target for Antineutron Production in LEAR^{*})

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Starting from the required characteristics on an internal cluster beam target for antineutron production we discuss the implications for the machine. The admissible target thickness in the presence of the beam cooling system is worked out and the resulting vacuum requirements are evaluated. The compatibility of the basic machine design with the later installation of the target is examined.

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3.5.15 On the Production of Antideuterons*

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We examine the possibility of producing antideuterons in antiprotonantiproton collisions through the process $p\bar{p} \rightarrow d\pi^-$ at the maximum of the reaction cross-section (530 MeV/c antiproton lab.-momentum) for low energy experiments. Luminosities are estimated for a collider consisting of two rings having the characteristics of LEAR. For this case the luminosity and production rates turn out to be rather low. However, with a dedicated collider for the antideuteron production, rates can be improved for experiments with low energy and stopped antideuterons. Antideuteron stop experiments could be performed directly at the intersection region. No further handling of the \bar{d} would be required owing to their low energy. The advantages of this production scheme are pointed out.

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3.5.16 Results from the Electron Cooling Experiments at CERN"

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Through the interaction of stored protons with an electron beam of small transverse velocities and a well-defined longitudinal velocity the beam properties of the circulating protons can be highly improved within short times. This process (called electron cooling of protons) was studied experimentally on 10^8 protons circulating in the ICE (Initial Cooling Experiment) storage ring at 46 MeV.

A short introduction to the electron cooling theory is given followed by a description of the experimental technique. The results of the measurements are presented. Transverse (reduction of proton beam divergence and diameter) and longitudinal (reduction of the proton beam momentum spread) cooling were investigated in detail. Cooling times (1/e) of 1.2 s (transverse) and 0.3 s (longitudinal) could be achieved. Equilibrium proton beam sizes of about 0.8 mm (FWHM) and beam divergence of about 0.2 mrad were obtained. The minimal proton beam momentum spread which could be reached was 4 x 10^{-5} . The production rate of neutral hydrogen originating from electron capture of protons in the cooling region was measured for various configurations.

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The possibility of using the ICE-cooling system (see 3.5.16) for electron cooling of antiprotons stored in LEAR (Low Energy Antiproton Ring) is studied. A short description of the ICE-system and the relevant cooling results are given. The cooling performance in LEAR is worked out for various operation conditions. It turned out that the ICE-cooler, after some improvements would be a very efficient cooling system in the momentum range between 100 MeV/c - 300 MeV/c, considerably improving the stored beam quality and allowing the operation of an internal target. An upgrading to 600 MeV/c seems to be possible. The various modifications of the ICE-system to be performed prior to installation in LEAR are described and cost, manpower and time schedule are estimated.

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4. HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS

4.1 PION- AND PHOTOPRODUCTION EXPERIMENTS

For two major experimental activities of the past years - the study of neutral final states at Serpukhov and the investigation of photoproduction of proton antiproton pairs at DESY - the data analysis and dissertation work has been finished^{1,2,3)}. Two final publications are in preparation, two others have been submitted already.

4.1.1 <u>Analysis of the Reaction π⁻p → π⁰nn at 40 GeV Beam Momentum</u> *
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The reaction $\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^0$ n has been analyzed using data of an $\begin{vmatrix} -2\gamma \end{vmatrix}_{\rightarrow 2\gamma}^{+2\gamma}$

experiment performed at Serpukhov 70 GeV accelerator, with the NICE 648 channel hodoscope spectrometer for γ ray detection. Events with 4γ seen are used for the analysis. A method is applied, which allows the determination of the number of $\pi^0 \eta$ events for each mass, $\cos \theta_{\rm GJ}$ and t bin. Mass-spectra, t-distributions and decay angular distributions for the $\pi^0 \eta$ system are presented. The cross section for the production of A_2^0 is found to be 2.7 ± 1.1 µb at 40 GeV/c beam momentum.

No indication of a resonant 1⁻ state in the $\pi^0\eta$ system is observed, in spite of the fact that this state is allowed for the $\pi^0\eta$ system on the same footing as the observed 0⁺ and 2⁺ resonances. A qq state however with $J^P = 1^-$ cannot decay into $\pi^0\eta$. The absence of this resonant state provides one of the simplest supporting evidences for the quark model of the hadrons.

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The photoproduction of proton antiproton pairs in a 7 GeV tagged photon beam at DESY has yielded the following results^{1,2)}:

- a measurement of the total cross section of the reaction $\gamma p \rightarrow p\bar{p}p$ at 5 energy bins in the energy range 4.74 $\leq E_{\gamma} \leq 6.55$
- an uncovering of the cross dynamical features of the reaction $\gamma p \rightarrow p \bar{p} p$ in the above energy range
- the observation of a small signal in the invariant $p\bar{p}$ mass spectrum at 2.023 ± 0.005 GeV with a width of 27 ± 12 MeV, which confirms in position and width a $p\bar{p}$ mass signal reported previously by two groups⁴. which is however controversial due to two other experiments⁵.

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4.2 PHYSICS AT e⁺e⁻ STORAGE RINGS

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Most efforts of the High Energy Physics group in Karlsruhe have been concentrated on an exploitation of the large CELLO spectrometer¹⁾ which came into operation at the e^+e^- storage ring PETRA early in 1980. The CELLO detector was built and is run by a collaboration of three German (KfK and Universität Karlsruhe, MPI München and DESY) and three French institutes (Orsay, Paris, Saclay). In the following chapters performance and physics results from the first year of running are reported.

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4.2.1 Layout and Performance of the CELLO LAr-Calorimeter

The calorimeter serves to detect mainly electrons and photons, which manifest themselves by their typical electromagnetic shower developing in material of high atomic number. In the CELLO calorimeter the shower propagates in plates of lead, which are grouped to stacks giving a total thickness of 20 radiation lengths. The gaps between the plates are filled with liquid argon of high purity, from which the deposited ionisation charge is collected by an electric field.

The calorimeter assembly consists of three cryostats and 20 stacks, namely 16 stacks in a large cylindrical cryostat and 2 stacks each in two end caps, which close the two forward regions in the beam direction (see fig. 1). All three cryostats are connected to one refrigerator, which reliquifies the evaporated argon gas into a common buffer tank.





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The liquid flows back through regulation valves keeping the level in the cryostats constant.

The croygenic system has worked satisfactorily throughout the years 1980/81. Especially, no indication of unpurification at a 1 ppm level could be observed, the content of oxygen and other gases being continuously monitored by a Herschmeter and a gas chromatograph.

The purity of the argon with respect to electronegativ molecules is corroborated also by the high current of charge output: The collected charge is a function of the applied high voltage and the degree of purification, which is usually parametrized in equivalent O_2 impurity. By applying different voltages we obtained for the parameter 1.3 ppm O_2 equivalent. This means, that at the nominal voltage of 15 kV/cm we collect 81% of the deposited ionisation charge.

The longterm stability is monitored by the amount of charge for electromagnetic shower Q in elastically scattered Bhabha events. Over a period of months we obtained Q = (0.515 ± 0.005) pC/GeV, the stability being better than 1%.

The energy resolution is shown in fig. 2, where the charge Q for Bhabhas in one stack is plotted. A fit to the upper half of the distribution gives a resolution of $\sigma = 3.2\%$. This figure deteriorates to about $\sigma = 4\%$, when all stacks of the calorimeter are used. This means that the intercalibration has to be improved.

Very stable operation with respect to pick-up noise has been achieved. This enables good trigger possibilities. With a tolerable rate of ~ 0.3 trigger/sec for the data acquisition system we could lower the threshold to 1.3 GeV shower energy. The coincidence conditions are: either two showers in two separate stacks or one shower in one stack and one track in the central detector. With these conditions the calorimeter trigger recuperates an appreciable amount of physical events which escape the charge particle trigger.

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Fig. 2: Pulseheight distribution from Bhabha-scattering at 16.9 GeV beam energy.

4.2.2 <u>The Analog-to-Digital Electronic of the Liquid Argon Calorimeter</u> of the CELLO Detector

General layout

The electronics has been designed to be used in a system of 8000 channels of the CELLO calorimeter. Therefore, emphasis has been placed on compactness, stability against oscillations in the system and low costs. In particular the last point has influenced the choise of transistors, diodes, cables and connectors and in some cases the use of discrete components has turned out to be cheaper than hybrid circuits.

The preamplifier is directly attached to the croystat to minimise the length of the input cable. Four channels are on a board. The signals are transmitted to the counting room by an unshielded twisted pair cable and fed into the main amplifier with 16 channels on a board. Digitizing takes place in a sample-and-hold circuit and a comparator, which compares the pulse with a staircase voltage function generated for 24 mainamplifier cards in a common CAMAC crate simultaneously. The final data handling is organized on a read-out card, where only channels with signals above a certain noise level are transmitted via CAMAC to the computer. 64 channels are handled in one multiplexer. In the following chapter, the electronic chain will be described in more detail:

Preamplifier

The matching transformer with a core of 303 material serves to adapt the amplifier input capacitance to the capacitance of the plates of the individual detector channels. The corresponding winding ratios for minimal noise <-> signal ratio were determined experimentally. Because the transformer introduces additional parallel noise it is useful only at higher capacitance (> 500 pF).

The σ of the noise peak for all channels of a stack in the final setup with all 8000 channels working at a time is shown in fig. 1. The plotted curve indicates the noise performance of the prototype amplifier chain under optimal conditions in the laboratory. In the final set-up the mean noise is about 30% higher.

In contrast to other LAr electronics systems, the first filter circuit is already put on the preamplifier card. This ensures better stability and facilitates the transmission to the main amplifier, for which an unshielded 64 channel twisted pair cable is used.

Main amplifier

The differential input of the main amplifier rejects noise induced on the cable very efficiently. It is followed by a second filter circuit. The signal is then fed to a sample-and-hold circuit and is stored on a charging capacitor when the trigger pulse has passed. Digitalization is performed by comparing the charging capacitor voltage with a staircaise voltage common to all channels. Duration of a step is 1 µsec.

The dynamic range of the amplifier chain output extends from noise level up to 10 Volts which corresponds to 1024 steps in the staircase



Fig. 1: Noise as a function of input capacitance

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voltage (1024 counts). Deviation from linearity is about 1 in 1000. The amplification does not vary very much from channel to channel. Deviation from the mean of more than 10% is rather rare. The pedestal is normally set to about 30 channels. For trigger purposes, four discriminators are included in the circuit. An upper and lower discrimination level for the sum of 8 neighbouring channels can be set. Also the analog sum of 8 channels for a total trigger is provided at the output connector.

The Read-out Multiplexer

The 16 channels of a main amplifier are transmitted during 1 μ sec by a synchronized serial signal on a coax line to the read-out multiplexer. A complete conversion time lasts 1024 μ sec. To one multiplexer 4 mainamps are connected, which are transmitted in parallel. During read-out the content of each channel is compared with a level stored in a separate "threshold memory". The channels below the threshold are suppressed during read-out ("zero-suppression"). This internal scanning takes 100 nsec per channel. The thresholds can be set individually for all channels by computer.

Performance

The lead LAr calorimeter with the elctronics described above is working satisfactorily under running conditions since May 1980.

The amount of charge collected for elastic scattered electrons and positrons (Bhabha scattering) at 17 GeV is shown in fig. 2. In the upper plot the mean for the individual lead stacks is given (stack 7 is not connected). The resolution as determined for the shown sample is typically 3-4%.

As different high voltage is applied to the individual stacks, we can obtain the voltage dependence of the collected charge. The mean of channels 1-6 and channels 9-16 is plotted in fig. 3 together with a theoretical fit. The fit has as a free parameter the amount of oxygen (or other electro-negative solvents) dissolved in the LAr. From the two points one obtains the result that the loss of charge corresponds to (1.3 ± 0.1) ppm O₂. Extrapolating to the asymptotic value we see that at



Fig. 2: Total charge collected in different stacks from 17 GeV Bhabha events.



Fig. 3: Total charge collected as a function of high voltage

5.1 kVolt we collect 75% of the liberated charge.

Out of the 8000 channels implemented in the CELLO detector typically only 1% is not working properly due to defects in the analog or digital part of the electronics. The pedestal stability has been checked over a period of about one month. All channels are stable within 1 ADC count.

The zero-suppression has been implemented and is presently working at a level of 1 σ (noise) above pedestal. A 50% increase of the number of electronics channels is planned for the next year to increase space resolution and facilitate pattern recognition.

4.2.3 Calibration of the Liquid Argon Calorimeter of the CELLO Jetector

The CELLO liquid argon calorimeter consists of 6000 electronical channels in the central part and 2000 channels in the endcap part.

The energy of a particle shower in the calorimeter is distributed over about 50-100 channels. Therefore it is very important to have an exact relative calibration between the single channels if one wants to obtain a good energy resolution.

Calibration is done by injecting a known amount of charge through a capacitor into the detector capacitance. The experience shows, that due to cross-talk effects between the channels the amplifier signal varies very much with the number of channels pulsed simultaneously. Therefore currently only 1/16 of the 384 channels of one stack are calibrated at one time, but all 16 stacks of the central part in parallel.

Each electronic channel matches the capacitance of the detector channel and therefore the amplification slope varies with the detector capacitance. Fig. 1 shows the dependence of calibration slopes from detector-capacitance for all channels of the central calorimeter.



Fig. 1: Calibration slopes in one stack for different input capacitance

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The calibration procedure is controlled by a micro computer and is repeated in several time intervals. The difference of slopes measured before and after a running period of 2 months is shown in fig. 2. The uncertainty of the calibration can be explained by the tolerances of the calibration capacitor (\pm 0.5%) and of the resistors of the pulse distribution network (\pm 1%). This is of the same magnitude as the statistical error (see fig. 2).

In addition during normal data taking every 10-20 sec a calibration pulse is given (controlled by microcomputer) and read out like a normal event. This specially marked monitor events allow a quick cross check of the calorimeter.

The relative calibration supplies a factor for calculating the charge collected on the lead electrodes. To get the energy absorbed in the calorimeter the absolute efficiency of the detector must be known. This value can be obtained by looking at physical events, which deposit a well-known amount of energy in the calorimeter. This has been done with low energy electrons (about 1 GeV), from which the momentum has been measured in the tracking device of the CELLO detector. After subtracting muonic and hadronic background a value of Q/E = 0.5 ± 0.01 fC/MeV is obtained. In fig. 3 the low energy data is compared with the calibration obtained from elastically scattered electron (Bhabha scattering), which have the full beam-energy (17 GeV). The energy resolution measured with the low energy electrons is shown in fig. 4. The result of $13.3\%/\sqrt{E}$ is in good agreement with the resolution of $13\%/\sqrt{E}$ obtained from Bhabha scattering electrons.

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Fig. 2: Variation of the calibration slopes over two months

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Fig. 3: Charge/energy calibration for electrons up to 4.5 GeV. The Bhabha calibration is given for comparison



Fig. 4: Energy resolution for low energy electrons

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The measurement of the production of lepton and photon pairs in high energy e^+e^- reactions provides a stringent test of the validity of quantum electrodynamics (QED) at large momentum transfer. In addition, at highest accessible PETRA energies weak neutral current effects get increasingly important for Bhabha scattering. This allows to test weak interaction phenomena in purely leptonic processes.

The CELLO detector at the e^+e^- storage ring PETRA was used to measure the reactions

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ (Bhabha scattering)

and

at CM energies between 33.0 and 36.7 GeV.¹⁾

Fig. 1 shows the resulting differential cross section for Bhabha events. The data was corrected for radiative effects in order α^3 and hadronic vacuum polarisation. The expectation from QED is indicated in the figure.

To determine quantitative limits on the validity of QED the reaction amplitude is modified by introducing form factors, which are usually parametrized in terms of the cutoff parameters Λ_{\pm} . The magnitude of Λ_{\pm} sets the energy scale, to which any deviation of the observed process from QED can be excluded. CELLO measured

 Λ_{+} > 83 GeV Λ_{-} > 155 GeV (95% C.L.)

indicating that the electron is structureless down to distances of about $10^{-16}~{\rm cm}$.

Similar form factor fits for the 2 photon annihilation $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (Fig. 2) yield

$$\Lambda_{\perp} > 43 \text{ GeV}$$
 $\Lambda_{-} > 48 \text{ GeV}$ (95% C.L.)

Here $\Lambda_+ = M_e^+/\lambda$ can be regarded as the ratio of the mass of a hypothetical heavy electron mediating the reaction and its coupling constant λ .

Deviations from the QED prediction are expected from weak neutral current effects. Including γ -Z⁰ interference the Bhabha cross section depends on the vector and axial weak coupling constants g_V and g_A and the Z⁰ mass M_{Z0} . In the standard SU(2) × U(1) model they are determined by one single parameter, $\sin^2\Theta_w$:

$$M_{Z} = \frac{37.4}{\sin \Theta_{W} \cos \Theta_{W}}$$
$$g_{A}^{2} = \frac{1}{4}$$
$$g_{V}^{2} = \frac{1}{4} (1 - 4 \sin^{2}\Theta_{W})^{2}$$

The predictions for the cross section of Bhabha scattering for various values of $\sin^2\!\Theta_w$ are indicated in fig. 3.

A fit to the CELLO data yields the following values

 $\sin^2 \Theta_{W} = 0.25 \pm 0.13$ 0.01 < $\sin^2 \Theta$ < 0.48 (95% C.L.),

which shows that data start to be sensitive to weak neutral current effects.



Fig. 1: Differential cross section of the reaction $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ in the central detector and endcap calorimeter range. Only statistical errors are plotted. The QED prediction (full curve) is normalized to the endcap points.



Fig. 2: Differential cross section of the reaction $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ compared to the QED prediction. Only statistical errors are plotted.



<u>Fig. 3:</u> Relative deviation of the measured cross section from QED prediction. Errors are statistical only. The expectation for different values of $\sin^2\Theta_W$ is indicated.

The analysis was performed on data taken from May to November 1980 with an integrated luminosity of about 3.8 pb^{-1} . Till summer 1981 CELLO added twice this statistics, the analysis of this new data is under way.

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4.2.5 Study of Hadronic Events in the CELLO Detector

Total cross section

One of the most important reactions in e^+e^- physics is the annihilation into hadrons:

$$e^{\dagger}e^{-} \rightarrow hadrons$$
 (1)

The total cross section for reaction (1) is usually measured in terms of

$$R = \sigma_{had} / \sigma_{\mu\mu} ,$$

where σ_{had} is the total hadronic annihilation cross section and $\sigma_{\mu\mu}$ is the cross section for μ pair production.

In the quark parton model R is related to the charges Q_q of quarks involved in reaction (1) through the simple formula

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$$R = 3 \sum_{q} Q_{q}^{2}$$

where the sum runs over all types ("flavours") of quarks contributing to (1). A new flavour of quarks should show up by an increase of R. Moreover, close to threshold, $q\bar{q}$ bound states should be produced and exhibit narrow resonances.

Fig. 1 shows the results from an energy scan in the highest available energy regime of $PETRA^{1}$. The distribution of R shows no significant resonance structure. The mean value of

is well compatible with the expectation of



R

<u>Fig. 1:</u> $R = \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow hadrons) / \sigma_{\mu\mu}$ vs c.m. energy. Only statistical errors are shown.

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$$R = 3 \Sigma Q_{q}^{2} (1 + \frac{\alpha_{s}}{\pi}) \simeq 3.88$$

for udscb-quarks including QCD corrections.

Event shape analysis

This result is corroborated by a detailed event shape analysis. The topology of events originating from a new heavy quark pair should differ strongly from the pronounced two jet structure from "light" quarks. This is simply due to the small Lorentz boost and the larger transverse momenta of the heavy quark jets.

To search for such anomalous event shapes the data are analysed in terms of quantities called sphericityS and aplanarity A. S and A are evaluated for each event by submitting it to a Q-analysis. The three major axes and the corresponding normalized total momentum components Q_i along these axes are determined diagonalizing the momentum tensor. This procedure is similar to the determination of the moments of inertia of a rigid body. The sphericity S is then defined from the two smaller components

$$S = \frac{3}{2} (Q_1 + Q_2)$$

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S may take values between 0 for an ideal two jet structure and 1 for a spherical event. The aplanarity is defined from the smallest component

$$A = \frac{3}{2} Q_1$$

It measures to what extent the event differs from a flat shape (A = 0).

Fig. 2 shows the result of an analysis of the hadronic events taken by CELLO in 1980. Data are compared with Monte Carlo calculations assuming udscb quark production (Fig. 2b). Fig. 2c shows the MC simula-





Fig. 2: Distribution of events in aplanarity and sphericity

- a) all data, 33.00 < W < 36.72 GeV
- b) MC simulation of $q\bar{q}$ and $q\bar{q}g$ production and fragmentation in the energy range covered by this experiment (q = u, d, d)s,c and b).
- c) MC simulation of non-resonant tE production in the energy range covered by this experiment using M_t = 16 GeV

The cut at A = 0.15 is used to isolate events of large A as expected from $t\bar{t}$ production

tion of additional t quark production. The absence of events with large S and A in the data clearly rules out the existence of a new heavy quark at these energies. Quantitatively we get the following result: A new heavy quark with charge 2/3 e (1/3 e) is excluded by 14 (7.7) standard deviations.

Jet studies and determination of $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{_{\boldsymbol{S}}}$

Inspection of Fig. 2 shows that the population of events in the Q-diagram extends to large values of sphericity S but stays clustered at small values of aplanarity A. The current interpretation of this phenomenon is given by quantum chromodynamics (QCD): in addition to the prominent two jet structure $(q\bar{q})$ at small S there are planar events with three jets from gluon bremsstrahlung $(q\bar{q}g)$. Three methods were used for further investigation. In the first two charged and neutral particles were used, whereas the third is based on charged particles only.

- <u>Standard Analysis</u>:

We performed a standard topology analysis using the sphericity tensor. From the number of planar events, i.e. events with a sphericity larger 0.25 and an aplanarity smaller 0.08 in our data and in the Monte Carlo simulation we deduce a value of $\alpha_s = 0.17\pm0.03\pm0.03$ at 34 GeV and $\alpha_s = 0.20\pm0.04\pm0.04$ at 22 GeV. Fig. 3 shows the aplanarity distribution at the two energies. The two jet process (qq, dashed curve) cannot reproduce the data, whereas QCD (full curve) is in good agreement with the data.

We made sure that this result is stable against variation of the cuts within the quoted statistical errors. We also checked the sensitivity of this α_s -evaluation on the shape of the Monte Carlo p₁ distribution used. Contrary to the cluster method (see below) all measured particles enter this analysis. Hence the method is more sensitive to tails in the p₁ distribution. Still the variation of α_s for different p₁ distributions (i) and (ii) (see below) stays within the quoted systematic erros (\simeq 20%).



Fig. 3: Aplanarity distribution for hadronic events with $S \ge 0.25$ compared to 2 jet (dashed curve) and QCD predictions (full curve).

Particles (neutral and charged) are submitted to the following cluster algorithm²:

- 1) Particles emitted close to each other are merged into preclusters. The procedure is started with the most energetic particle. The next energetic particle occuring within 30° is added. The procedure is iterated taking as the new starting direction the sum of the momenta of all particles already merged in the precluster.
- 2) Preclusters are grouped into clusters if their axes are less than 45° apart.
- Clusters with more than 2 GeV total energy containing at least two particles (charged or neutral) are retained and treated as separate jets.

Data are compared to model calculations which include gluon bremsstrahlung. To describe the quark and gluon fragmentation we adapt the phenomenological model of Feynman and Field assuming two types of functions for the transverse momentum in the fragmentation chain:

(i)	gaussian:	p _T • exp (-p _T ² /σ _q)
(ii)	exponential:	exp (-p _T / σ _e)

Monte Carlo (MC) generated events are passed through a realistic detector simulation and through the reconstruction chain. Initial state radiative corrections are taken into account.

Different values for σ_q and σ_e have been tried within the range which gives a reasonable agreement between Monte Carlo simulation and data in the p₁ distribution of particles in the jets. The mean value of the experimental distribution is reproduced by $\sigma_q \approx 300$ MeV and $\sigma_e \approx 420$ MeV.

Recently it was claimed that the data might be explained without gluon bremsstrahlung. To study this we compare our data with pure $q\bar{q}$ Monte Carlo simulations. Fig. 1a shows the experimental p_{\perp} distribution (i) and the results of two model predictions. The model with the gaussian distribution in the fragmentation (ii) underestimates the high p_{\perp} tails whereas the exponential model (iii) is systematically higher at large p_{\perp} . The neutral tracks show analogue behaviour.

Both $q\bar{q}$ model calculations yield 3 jet events due to statistical fluctuations, however, their number cannot explain the data. To quantify this further we study the event thrust of the three jet events which is defined by the jet momenta p_i

 $T_{j} = \max \{ \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ \Sigma \\ i=1 \end{array} | \begin{array}{c} p_{i} \\ p_{i} \\ i=1 \end{array} | \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ \Sigma \\ i=1 \end{array} | \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ p_{i} \\ i=1 \end{array} | \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ p_{i} \\ i=1 \end{array} | \begin{array}{c} p_{i} \\ p_{i} \\ i=1 \end{array} |$

The data shown in fig. 4b are compared to model calculations (i) and (ii) normalized to the observed number of events. Neither of them can reproduce the data. Using the number of events below $T_j < .93$ the hypothesis $q\bar{q}$ is ruled out by 7 s.d..

The three jet sample at 34 GeV is finally analysed to study the dynamics of the proposed underlying QCD process and to determine the value of the strong coupling constant α_s .

For vector gluons the differential cross section with respect to the energy fraction of the most energetic parton is given by

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0} \frac{d\sigma}{dx_1} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \alpha_s / \pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - x_1} \cdot \left| \frac{2(3x_1^2 - 3x_1 + 2)}{x_1} \cdot \ln \frac{2x_1 - 1}{1 - x_1} - 3(3x_1 - 2)(2 - x_1) \right|$$
(1)

The event thrust T_j calculated from the 3 jet momenta turns out to measure x_1 to a very good approximation. MC studies show that in our



(a)

(b)

Fig. 4: Comparison of data with different $q\bar{q}$ fragmentation models

- a) distribution of \textbf{p}_{T} in a jet for charged particles in the 2 jet sample
 - (i) (histogram) experimental distribution
 - (ii) (dashed curve) gaussian dependence in the fragmentation process with $\sigma_{\rm q}$ = 300 MeV/c
 - (ii) (dashed-dotted) exponential dependence with σ_e = 420 MeV/c. High p₁ values are overestimated.
- b) Distribution of thrust T calculated from the jet momenta in 3 jet events

experimental distribution (histogram) and $q\bar{q}$ model calculations (dashed and dashed-dotted curves) using the p₁ distribution (ii) and (iii) described in a).

Both models fail to describe the data.
detector T_j determine x₁ with an error of $\simeq 0.02$ and a constant efficiency of (45±3)% in the region x₁ ≤ 0.91 , dropping smoothly to about 38% at 0.95. If we restrict ourselves to this region (x₁ ≤ 0.95) we retain 314 events. The migration of genuine two jet events into the three jet class is determined by MC simulation. It is 19%, contributing mainly to the region x₁ > 0.9.

The resulting x₁ distribution corrected for 2 jet contribution, efficiency and radiation is shown in fig. 5. A comparison with (1) yields good agreement with vector gluon bremsstrahlung as shown in fig. 5 (solid curve). The distribution for a hypothetical scalar gluon does not reproduce the data (fig. 5, dashed curve).

The only free parameter in comparing data and theory in fig. 3 is the strong coupling constant α_s , which in 1st order QCD is directly related to the normalisation of the data. To get a safer value for this absolute number only events are considered in which all jets have $|\cos \Theta|$ jet| < 0.8 which guaranties that the jets are well inside the cylindrical part of our detector. A best fit to the data in the region $x_1 \leq 0.93$ yields

 $\alpha_{s} = 0.15 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$ (34 GeV)

The last point at 0.94 was neglected in the fit because of its large 2 jet correction. The systematic (second) error reflects the uncertainties due to background and absolute normalisation between data and Monte Carlo.

A similar analysis is carried out with the 22 GeV data. The number of genuine 3 jet events is smaller and the corrections from migrating 2 jet events are more important. Within the resulting large errors we find good agreement with QCD, in particular in the x_1 distribution. The value of α_s is

$$\alpha_{s} = 0.19 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.04$$
 (22 GeV)



Fig. 5: Differential cross section of three jet events with respect to the energetic fraction x_1 carried by the most energetic parton. Data are compared to the QCD prediction of vector gluons (full curve) and a scalar gluon model (dashed curve).

- Energy Energy Correlations:

We study the semi-inclusive differential cross section of two hadrons in an annihilation $process^{3,4}$:

 $f(\Theta_{ab}) = \frac{2}{\sigma} \cdot \sum_{ab} \int \frac{d^3 \sigma (e^+ e^- \rightarrow a + b + z)}{dz_a dz_b d\Theta_{ab}} z_a z_b dz_a dz_b$

where Θ_{ab} is the angle between the two hadrons a and b of the final state,

 z_a, z_b are the relative energies of a and b

 $\sigma\,$ is the total hadronic annihilation cross section.

The sum has to be taken over all hadrons occuring.

 $f(\Theta)$ normalized to the total annihilation cross sections is usually referred to as 'energy-energy correlation distribution'. One distinguishes:

- the central area (CA) around $\Theta_{ab}\approx\pi/2.$ which is predominantely affected by the emission of hard gluons, and
- the regions where Θ_{ab} is small (same distribution (SS)) or where Θ_{ab} is close to π (away-side distribution (AS)), where predominantely virtual color radiative processes during the fragmentation are assumed to influence the distribution.

In the angular range $\Theta_{ab}\approx\pi/2$ (central area) the forward-back-ward asymmetry $\chi(\Theta_{ab})$

$$\chi(\Theta_{ab}) = f(\pi - \Theta_{ab}) - f(\Theta_{ab})$$

is of special interest. According to a QCD calculation of order α_s by Basham et al. (BBEL)⁴⁾, it is essentially single hard gluon emission, which contributes in this angular region to the two jet annihilation channel. The asymmetry distribution $\chi(\Theta_{ab})$ in particular is supposed

to be free of the non-perturbative contributions. Figs. 6a,b show corrected experimental data together with the prediction of BBEL for the asymmetry distribution. We find a reasonable agreement in a restricted angular range around $\Theta_{ab} = \pi/2$. We have fitted the data in this angular region and deduced values for $\alpha_s(Q^2)$ at two energies:

$$E_{CM} = 22 \text{ GeV}$$
 $\alpha_s = 0.15 \pm 0.02 \{\pm 0.03\}$
 $E_{CM} = 34 \text{ GeV}$ $\alpha_s = 0.15 \pm 0.02 \{\pm 0.03\}$

The systematic error { } was estimated by variing the angular limits used for the fit.

Taking the above evaluated α_s one can compute the BBEL prediction for $f(\Theta_{ab})$. The data differs substantially from the QCD computation, presumably due to the presence of non-perturbative effects. If we add a fragmentation term of the form $C \cdot \langle p_{\perp} \rangle = E_{CM}^{-1} \cdot \sin^{-2}(\Theta)$ we obtain fair agreement with the data for values

> $E_{CM} = 22 \text{ GeV}$ $C \cdot \langle p_{\perp} \rangle = 1.65 \pm 0.04$ $E_{CM} = 34 \text{ GeV}$ $C \cdot \langle p_{\perp} \rangle = 1.89 \pm 0.04$

fitting BBEL and the fragmentation term to the data.

For the angular region of Θ_{ab} close to π we investigated $f(\Theta_{ab})$ considering only hadrons emitted into opposite hemispheres (AS-distribution). The data show again good agreement with Monte Carlo simulated events, figs. 7a,b.

For a comparison of the AS-distribution with the theoretical prediction we considered the work of Y.I. Dokshitzer et al.³⁾. This approach is based on summing in all orders of QCD the diagrams with maximum power n of the terms $(\ln (Q^2/\Lambda^2))^n$, where Q^2 is the total center of mass energy squared. By introducing an effective semi-inclusive



<u>Fig. 6:</u> Asymmetry $f(\pi - \Theta) - f(\Theta)$ compared to BBEL

- a) 22 GeV data
- b) 34 GeV data



Fig. 7: Opposite side correlations compared to different model calcula-



b) 34 GeV data

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formfactor $T_F(Q^2,\Theta)$ the model is expected to account for the major virtual and real parton processes, which occur in the parton-gluon cascade after annihilation. (This method is called 'leading log approximation', LLG).

More explicitely for the theoretical AS-distribution we evaluated the function

$$f(\Theta) = \frac{2}{\sigma} \Sigma \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d^{3} z_{a} z_{b}}{dz_{a} dz_{b} d\Theta_{ab}} dz_{a} dz_{b} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta} T_{F}(Q^{2}, \Theta_{ab})$$

where for $T_F(Q^2,\Theta)$ we used an approximated expression.

The data have been corrected for acceptance losses and neutrals. The corrections appeared to be a rather flat function of Θ_{ab} contributing a 10% effect in average.

The LLG-QCD calculation seems to provide a fair description of the AS-distribution both in shape and order of magnitude.

For a study of $f(\Theta_{ab})$ close to 0 ((SS)-distribution) we compared our data with the work of Konishi et al.⁵⁾, who considered in their approach higher order QCD effects on $f(\Theta_{ab})$ in the approximation Θ_{ab} = small, arguing that here the fragmentation process involves only one parent quark or gluon.

They computed a differential cross section for the semi-inclusive distribution which we compared with our data, figs. 8a,b. Also for the same-side distribution the QCD calculation yields a fair representation of the data without being able to describe finer details.



<u>Fig. 8:</u> Same side correlation compared to different model calculations

- a) 22 GeV data
- b) 34 GeV data

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4.2.6 Study of Two Photon Interactions

The storage ring PETRA provides a nice tool to investigate the two-photon exchange reaction in a detailed way. The reaction under study and its corresponding graph are shown in fig. 1, where X can be lepton pairs or hadrons.





$$X = \pi' S$$

Fig. 1: Graph of two photon exchange reaction

If the system X consists of lepton antilepton pairs QED-predictions can be tested using the experimental data of the said type. We studied the reaction

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+e^-$$
 (2)

This is an exactly computable process for which a Monte Carlo simulation program was written. This model calculation has to take into account higher order corrections in the single photon channel which give rise to the same final state as reaction (2). The comparison between the QED predictions and our data are shown in fig. 2.

Both curves given by the Monte Carlo calculations and the data are in very good agreement except the mass region below 900 MeV. These losses are due to the fact that our electron recognition at such low energies is not well established yet.



Fig. 2: Invariant mass of the two electrons in the inner detector for no tag two photon events compared to a MC simulation.

If the system X is consisting of hadrons several interesting results on resonance production can be obtained. We have investigated the processes $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+e^-$. Only two tracks with opposite charge were requested to be in the inner detector (so called no tag events). Fig. 3 gives an invariant mass distribution of those two prong events. One can clearly see an enhancement of data in the f = 1270 MeV mass region. Subtracting the QED background by the help of the Monte Carlo program one is left with the f signal as shown in the insert of fig. 3. A calculation of the $\gamma\gamma$ -width assuming helicity state $\lambda = 2$ gives

$$\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}^{\lambda=2}$$
 = 3.4 ± 0.2 ± 0.7 keV

The exclusive channel $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \rho^0 \rho^0 \rightarrow 4\pi^{\pm}$ and its strong threshold enhancement **have** been first observed at PETRA by the Tasso-Group. The nature of this $\rho^0 \rho^0$ signal is still an open question. A new resonance at 1600 MeV or glueball decay have been suggested. The results of the study of this particular channel done by the CELLO-collaboration is shown in fig. 4.

The plot gives the invariant mass distribution of one $\pi^+\pi^-$ combination versus the other for 1.5 <= E <= 1.9 GeV, assuming the events found in our analysis to be $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$. The clear enhancement of the data near the ρ^0 mass region in both projections is evidence for the $\rho^0\rho^0$ final state.



Fig. 3: Invariant mass of all two prong two photon events.



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Fig. 4: Scatter plot of the invariant masses of two pion pairs in the reaction $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$.

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