

# The Discovery of CP Violation: a Surprise!

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In a 4<sup>th</sup> floor classroom in  
the Ryerson Physical Laboratory

Murry Gell-Mann gave a series  
of lectures on the strange particles  
Enrico Fermi attended these lectures

In his classification appeared:

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} \theta^0 & S = +1 \\ \bar{\theta}^0 & S = -1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{conserved in} \\ \text{strong interaction} \end{array}$$

both decay to  $\pi^+ \pi^-$  } weak interaction

As best I remember Fermi asked:

"If  $\theta^0$  and  $\bar{\theta}^0$  both decay into  $\pi^+ \pi^-$   
how can they be different?"

This remark played a role in the  
famous Gell-Mann - Pais paper

## Behavior of Neutral Particles under Charge Conjugation

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At any rate, the point to be emphasized is this: a neutral boson may exist which has the characteristic  $\theta^0$  mass but a lifetime  $\neq \tau$  and which may find its natural place in the present picture as the second component of the  $\theta^0$  mixture.

One of us, (M. G.-M.), wishes to thank Professor E. Fermi for a stimulating discussion.



$$\theta_0 \quad S = +1$$

$$\bar{\theta}_0 \quad S = -1$$

$$\theta_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\theta_0 + \bar{\theta}_0)$$

$$\theta_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\theta_0 - \bar{\theta}_0)$$

States of  
definite lifetime

$$\text{If } \theta_1 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$$

$$\theta_2 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \quad \underline{\text{only}} \quad 3 \text{ body}$$

Based on C

after Jan 1957 CP

$$\tau_2 \gg \tau_1 \quad \sim 5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ sec}$$

- 1) A long lived neutral meson
- 2) Particle mixture phenomena
  - a Transport of  $\pm 1$  Strangeness to large distance
  - b Regeneration
  - c Oscillatory phenomena
- 3) Sensitive test for CP



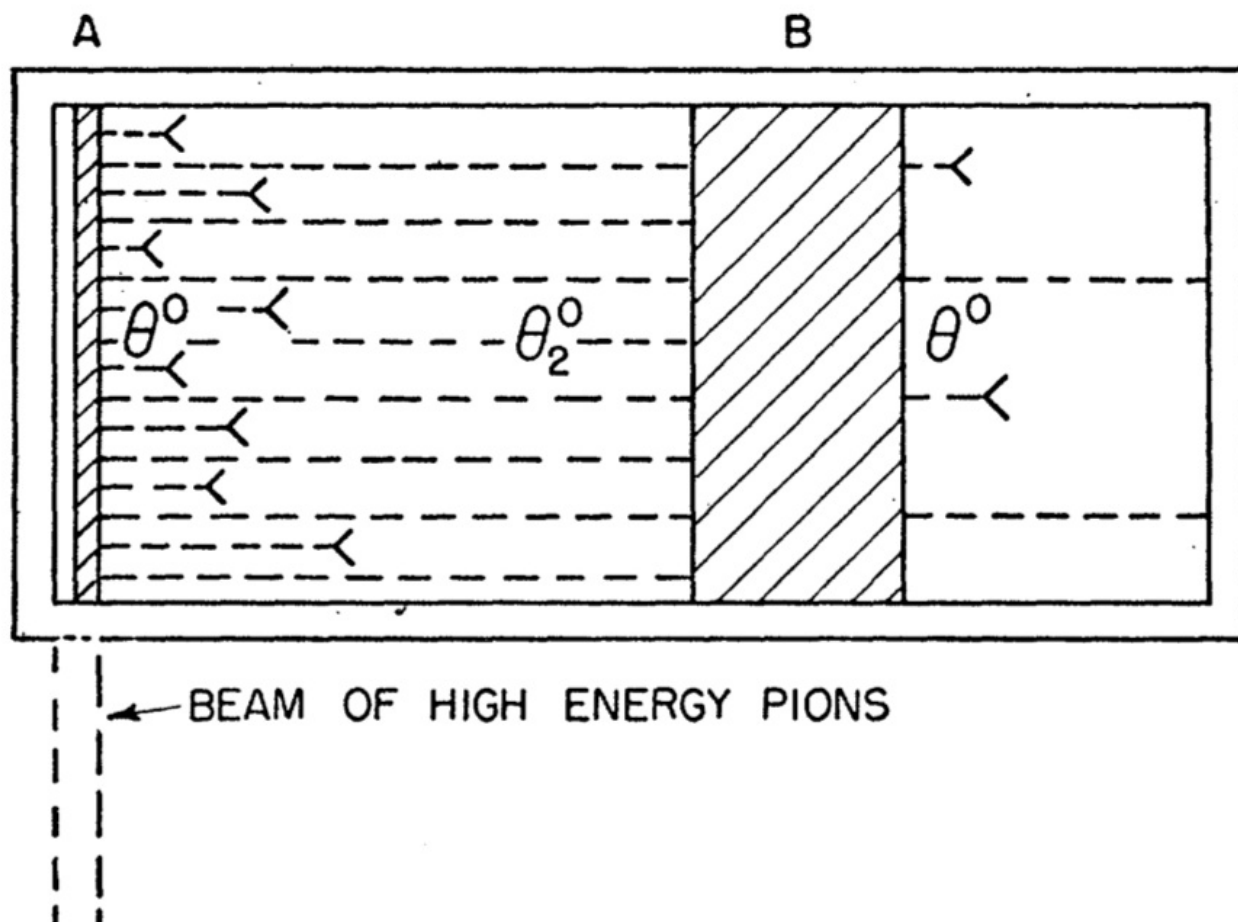
Note on the Decay and Absorption of the  $\theta^0$ A. PAIS,\* *Columbia University, New York, New York and Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, New York*

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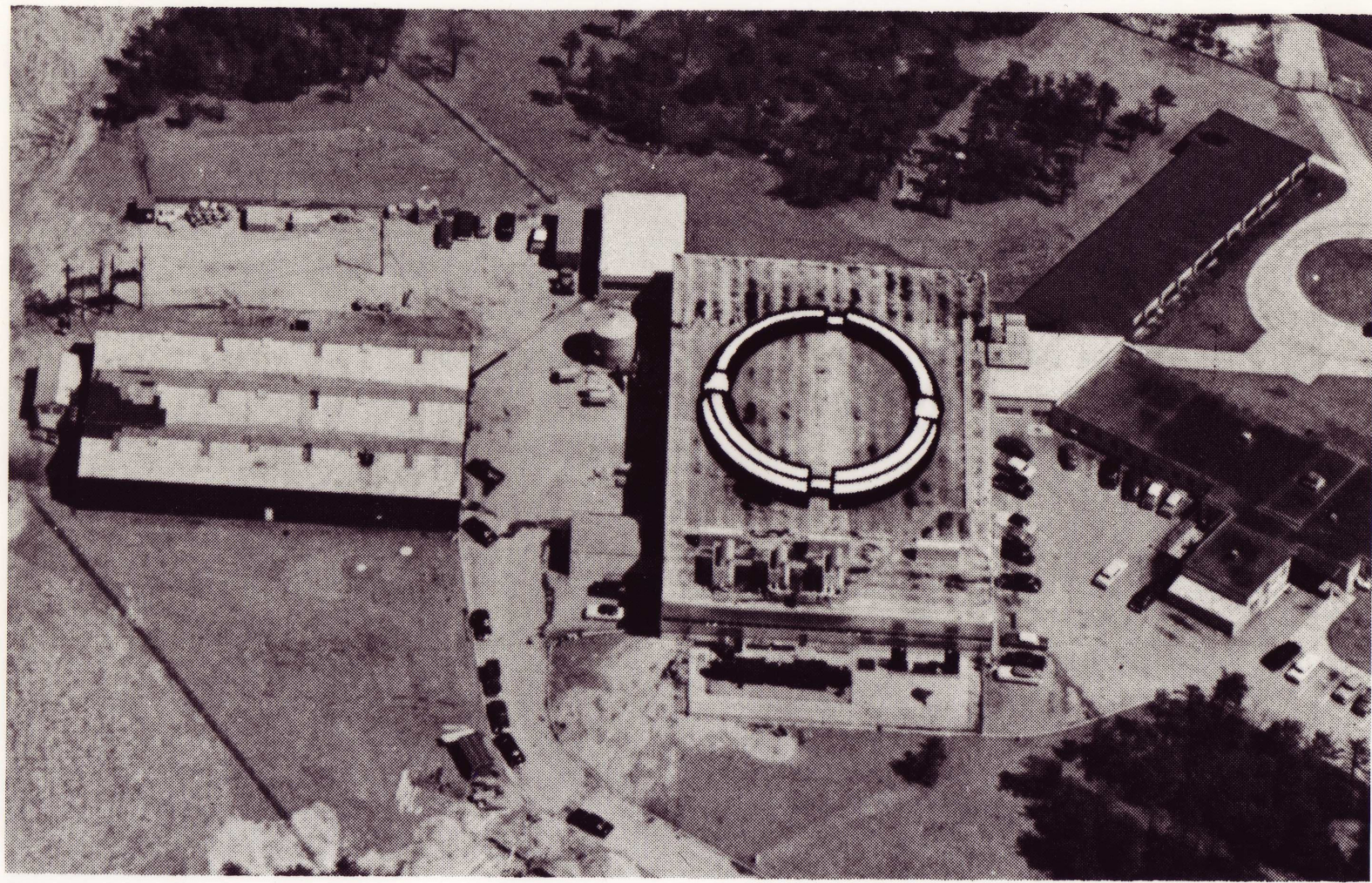
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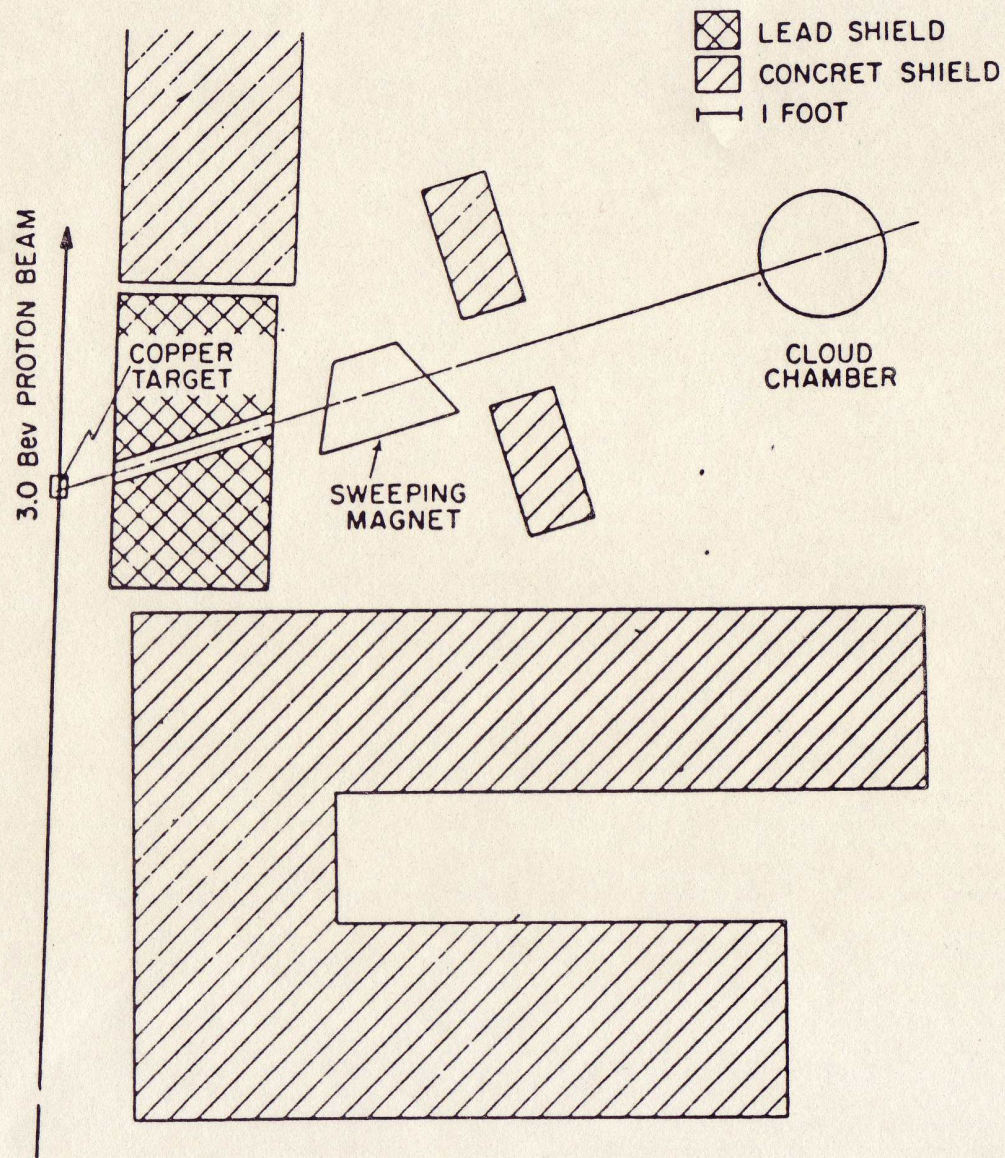
A suggestion is made on how to verify experimentally a recent theoretical suggestion that the  $\theta^0$  meson is a "particle mixture."



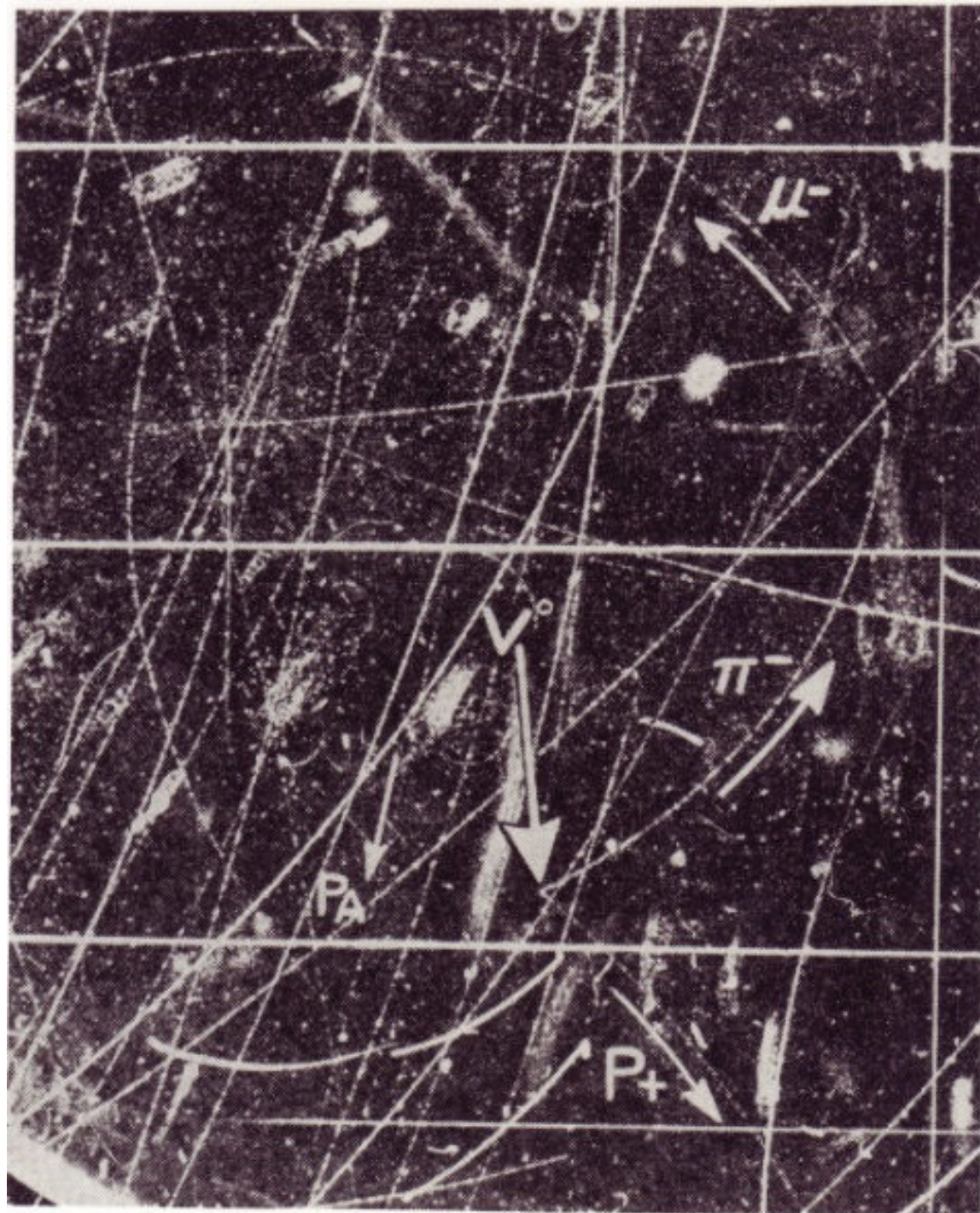












# Observation of Long-Lived Neutral $V$ Particles\*

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The authors are indebted to Professor A. Pais whose elucidation of the theory directly stimulated this research. The effectiveness of Cosmotron staff collaboration is evidenced by the successful coincident operation of six magnets and the Cosmotron with the cloud chamber.

## Regeneration of Neutral $K$ Mesons and Their Mass Difference\*

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### INTRODUCTION

IT is by no means certain that, if the complex ensemble of phenomena concerning the neutral  $K$  mesons were known without the benefit of the Gell-Mann-Pais theory,<sup>1</sup> we could, even today, correctly interpret the behavior of these particles. That their theory, published in 1955, actually preceded most of the experimental evidence known at present, is one of the most astonishing and gratifying successes in the history of the elementary particles. They advanced the hypothesis that the two mesons,  $K^0$  and  $\bar{K}^0$ , are states of definite strangeness but not of definite mean life. The states which decay with a definite mean life and which, also, have a definite mass value are two other mesons,  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ .



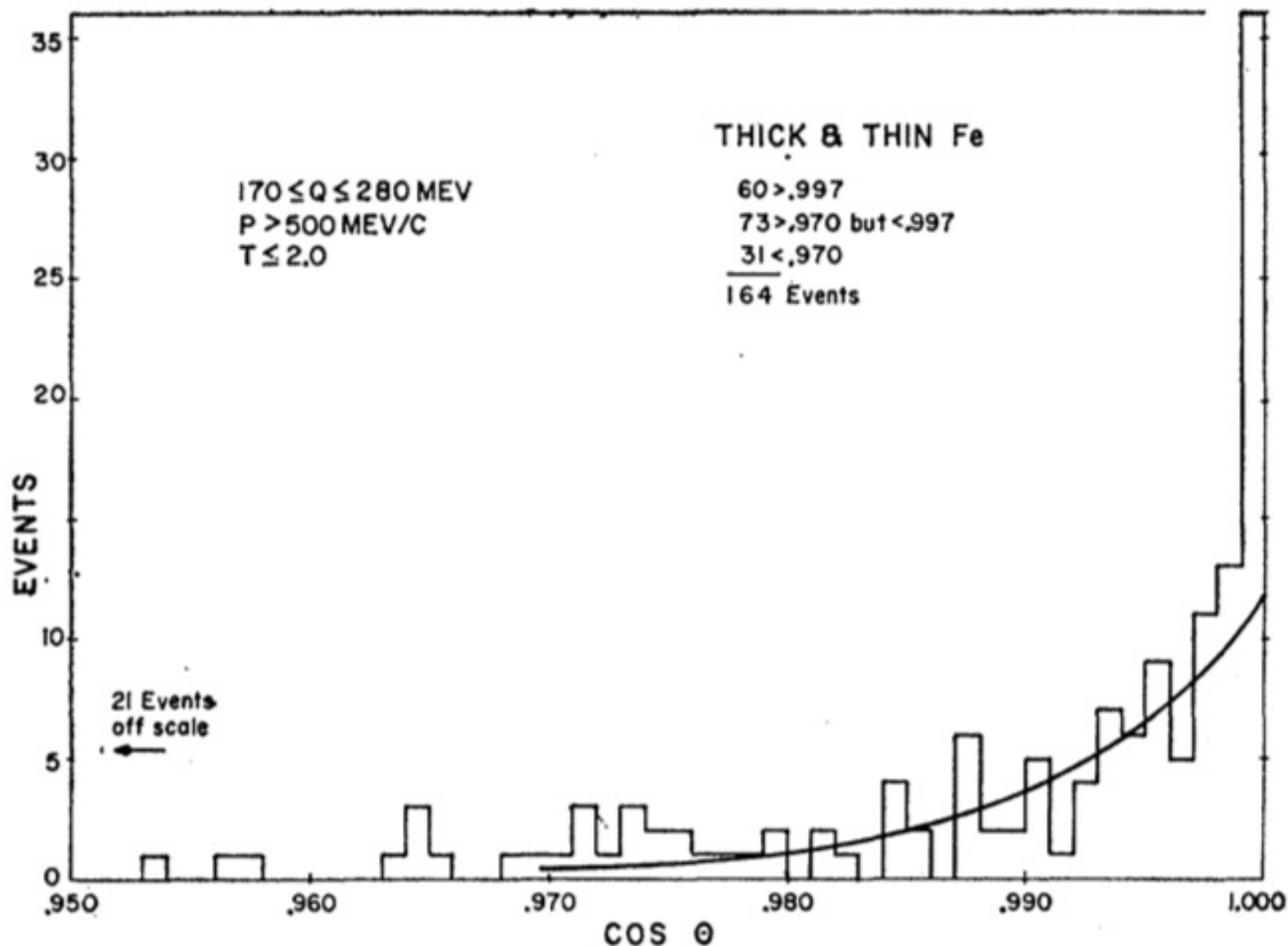


FIG. 17. Angular distribution of all events that originate in either the 6-in. or the 1½-in. iron plate and that satisfy the criteria  $170 \leq Q \leq 280$  Mev,  $P > 500$  Mev/c, and  $T \leq 2.0$  mean lives.

DECAY PROPERTIES OF  $K_2^0$  MESONS\*

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Combining our data with those obtained in reference 7, we set an upper limit of 0.3 % for the relative probability of the decay  $K_2^0 \rightarrow \pi^- + \pi^+$ . Our results on the charge ratio and the degree of the  $2\pi$ -decay forbiddenness are in agreement with each other and provide no indications that time-reversal invariance fails in  $K^0$  decay.

## Anomalous Regeneration of $K_1^0$ Mesons from $K_2^0$ Mesons\*

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A beam of 1.0-BeV/ $c$   $K_2^0$  mesons passing through liquid hydrogen in a bubble chamber was seen to generate  $K_1^0$  mesons with the momentum and direction of the original beam. The intensity of  $K_1^0$  production was far greater than that anticipated from conventional mechanisms, and the suggestion is made that the  $K_1^0$  mesons are produced by coherent regeneration resulting from a new weak long-range interaction between



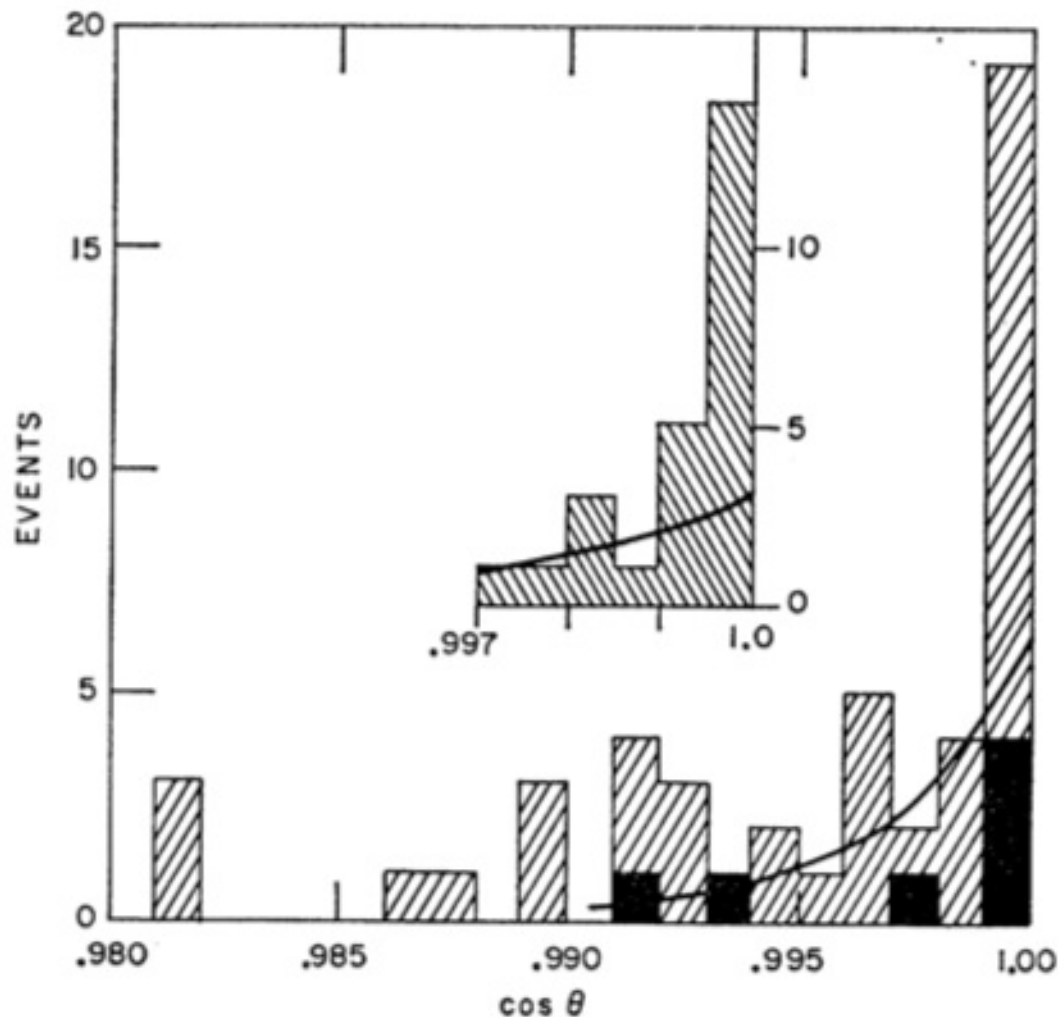


FIG. 3. Angular distribution of events which have a  $2\pi$ -decay  $Q$  value consistent with  $K_1^0$  decay, and a momentum consistent with the beam momentum.  $\theta$  is the angle between the total visible momentum and the incident beam. All events are plotted for which  $180 \text{ MeV} \leq Q \leq 270 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $p \geq 800 \text{ MeV}/c$ . The black histogram presents those events in front of the thin window. The solid curve represents the contribution expected from  $K_2^0$  decays.

# Dipion Production at Low Momentum Transfer in $\pi^-p$ Collisions at 1.5 BeV/c\*

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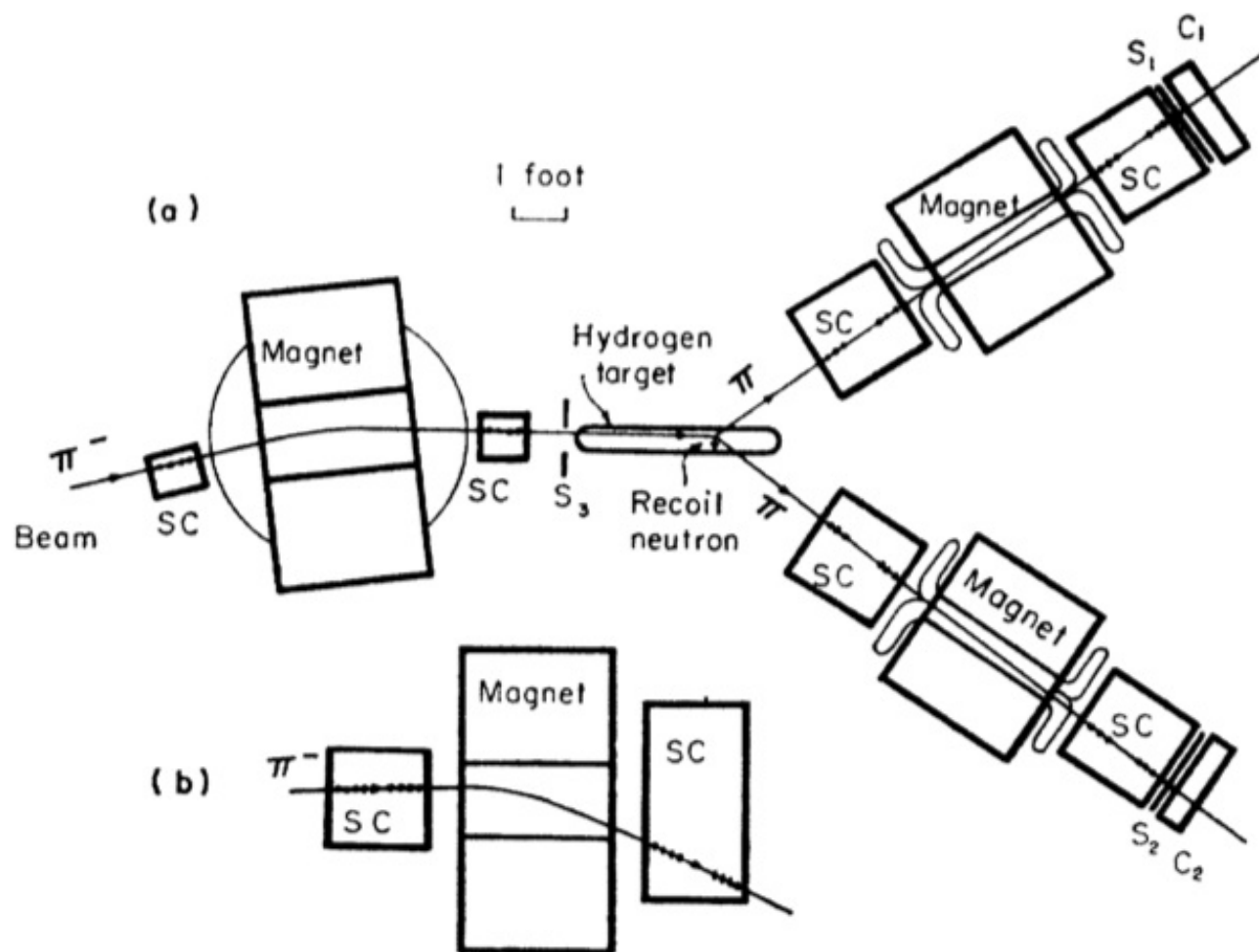


FIG. 1. Schematic views of the experimental apparatus. (a) Plan view, showing all spark chambers and analyzing magnets; (b) side view of one decay pion spectrometer. "SC" denotes spark chamber.

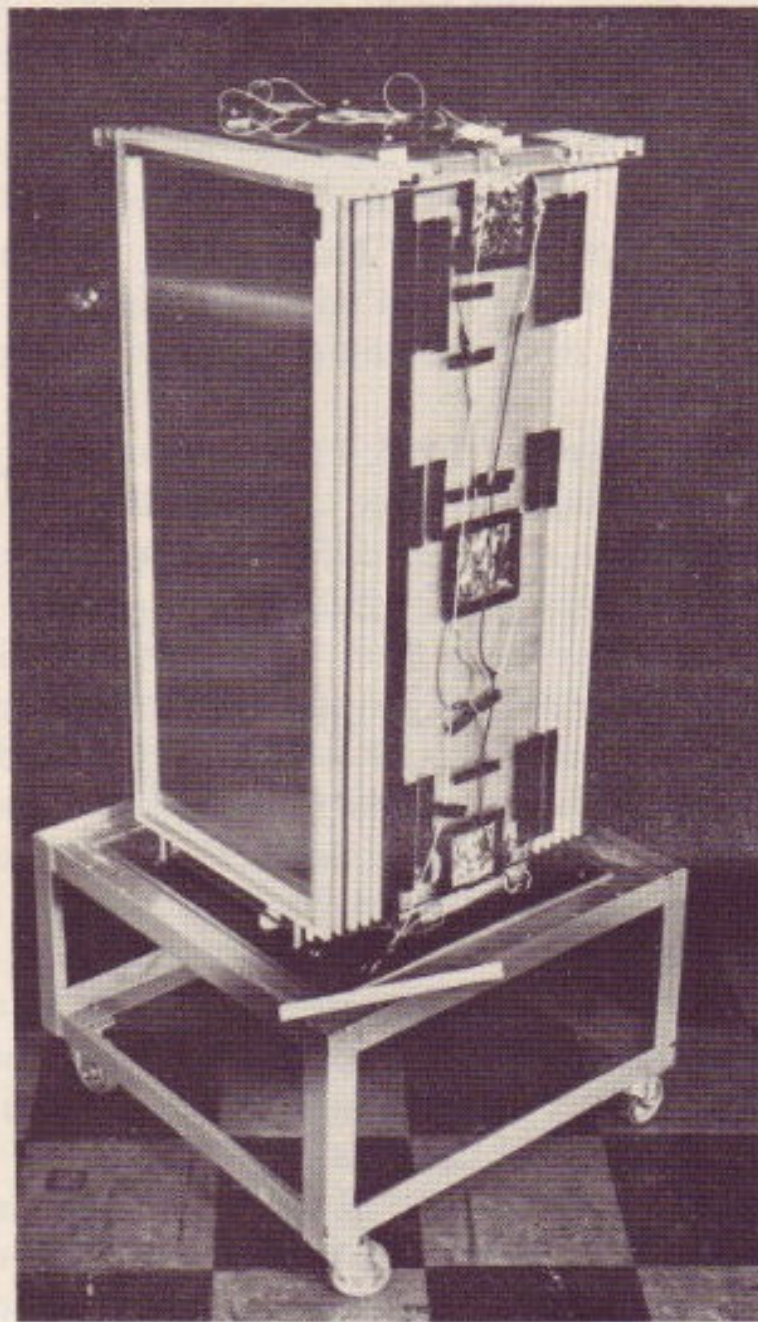
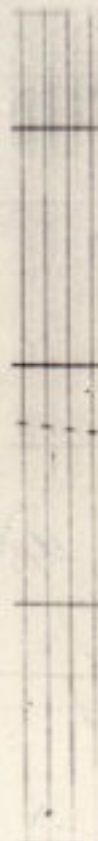
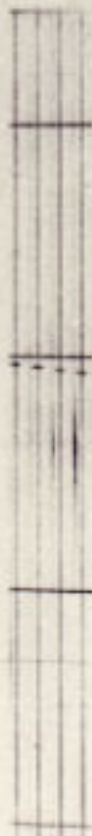
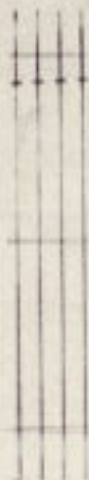
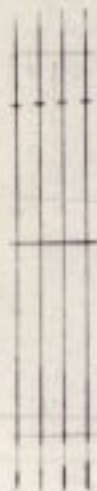
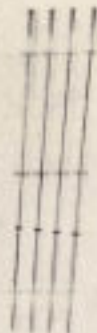
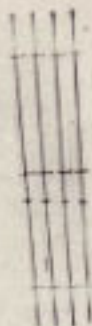
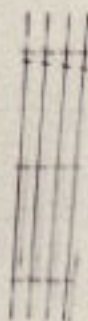
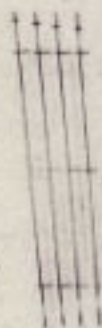


FIG. 26. View of thin foil chamber constructed at Princeton University.





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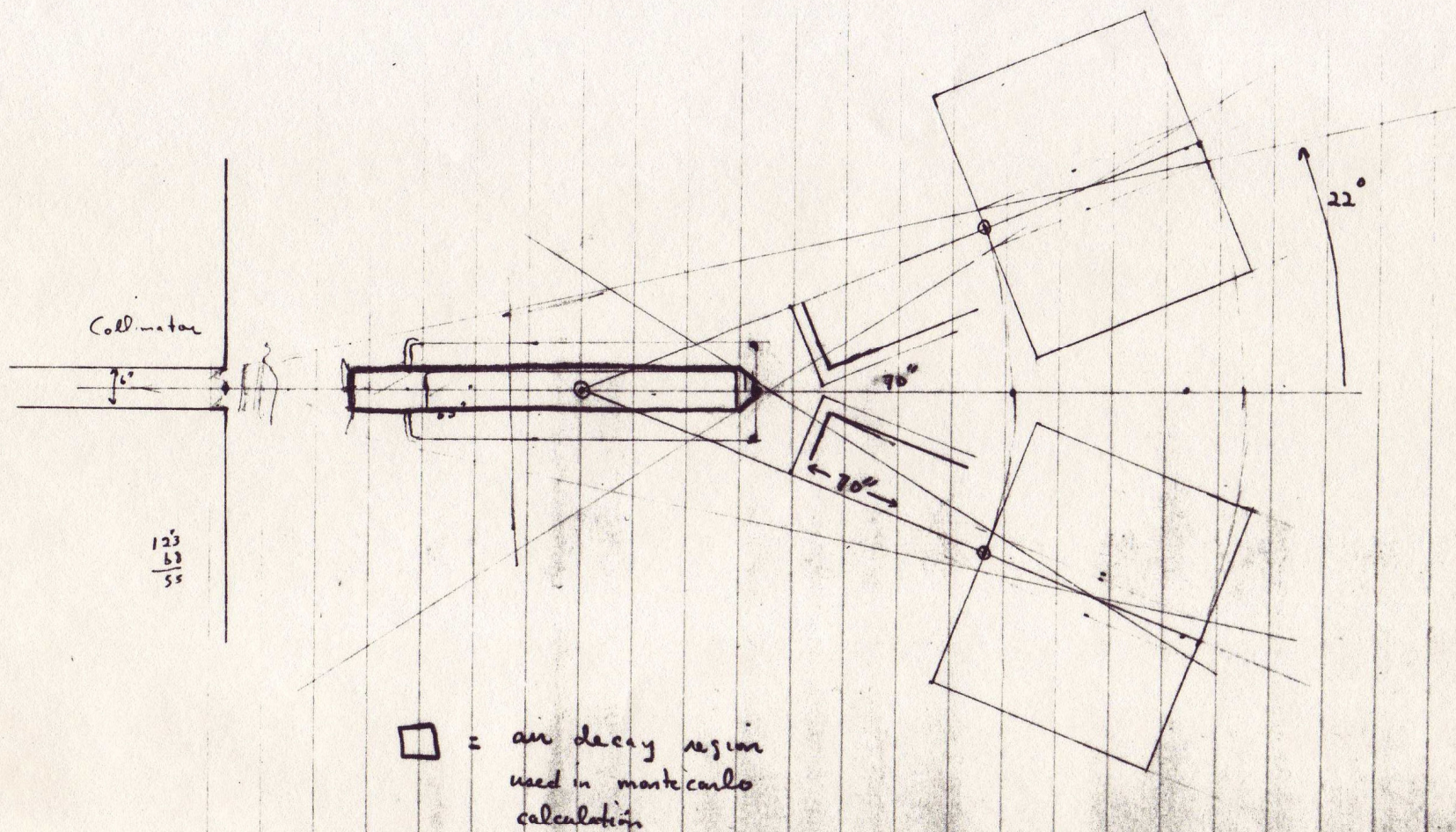


Fig 1



# PROPOSAL FOR $K_2^0$ DECAY AND INTERACTION EXPERIMENT

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## I. INTRODUCTION

The present proposal was largely stimulated by the recent anomalous results of Adair et al., on the coherent regeneration of  $K_1^0$  mesons. It is the purpose of this experiment to check these results with a precision far transcending that attained in the previous experiment. Other results to be obtained will be a new and much better limit for the partial rate of  $K_2^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^-$ , a new limit for the presence (or absence) of neutral currents as observed through  $K_2 \rightarrow \mu^+ + \mu^-$ . In addition, if time permits, the coherent regeneration of  $K_1$ 's in dense materials can be observed with good accuracy.

## II. EXPERIMENTAL APPARATUS

Fortuitously the equipment of this experiment already exists in operating condition. We propose to use the present  $30^\circ$  neutral beam at the A.G.S. along with the di-pion detector and hydrogen target currently being used by Cronin, et al. at the Cosmotron. We further propose that this experiment be done during the forthcoming  $\mu$ -p scattering experiment on a parasitic basis.

The di-pion apparatus appears ideal for the experiment. The energy resolution is better than 4 Mev in the  $m^*$  or the Q value measurement. The origin of the decay can be located to better than 0.1 inches. The 4 Mev resolution is to be compared with the 20 Mev in the Adair bubble chamber. Indeed it is through the greatly improved resolution (coupled with better statistics) that one can expect to get improved limits on the partial decay rates mentioned above.



### III. COUNTING RATES

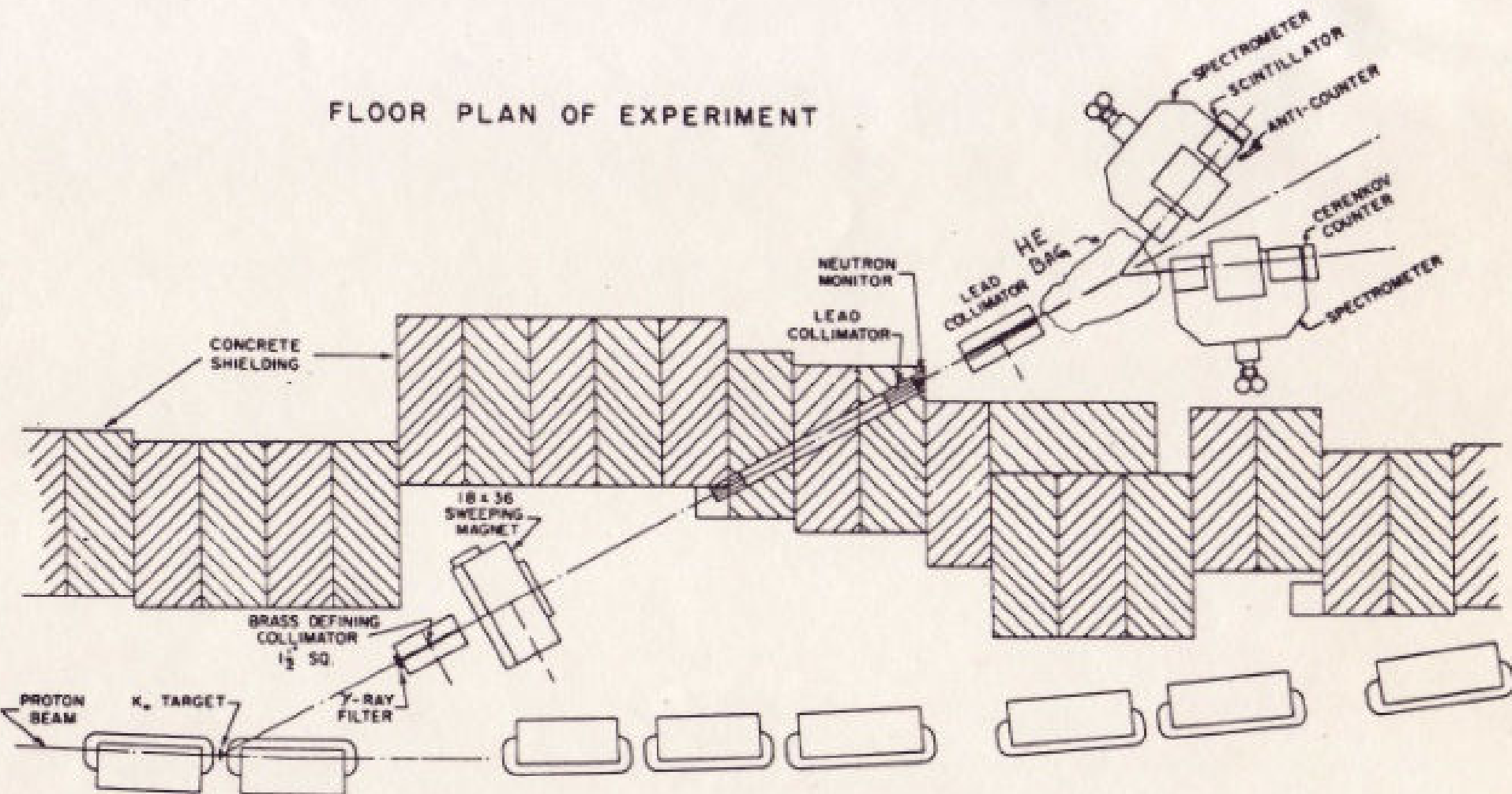
We have made careful Monte Carlo calculations of the counting rates expected. For example, using the  $30^\circ$  beam with the detector 60-ft. from the A.G.S. target we could expect 0.6 decay events per  $10^{11}$  circulating protons if the  $K_2$  went entirely to two pions. This means that one can set a limit of about one in a thousand for the partial rate of  $K_2 \rightarrow 2\pi$  in one hour of operation. The actual limit is set, of course, by the number of three-body  $K_2$  decays that look like two-body decays. We have not as yet made detailed calculations of this. However, it is certain that the excellent resolution of the apparatus will greatly assist in arriving at a much better limit.

If the experiment of Adair, et al. is correct the rate of coherently regenerated  $K_1$ 's in hydrogen will be approximately 80/hour. This is to be compared with a total of 20 events in the original experiment. The apparatus has enough angular acceptance to detect incoherently produced  $K_1$ 's with uniform efficiency to beyond  $15^\circ$ . We emphasize the advantage of being able to remove the regenerating material (e.g., hydrogen) from the neutral beam.

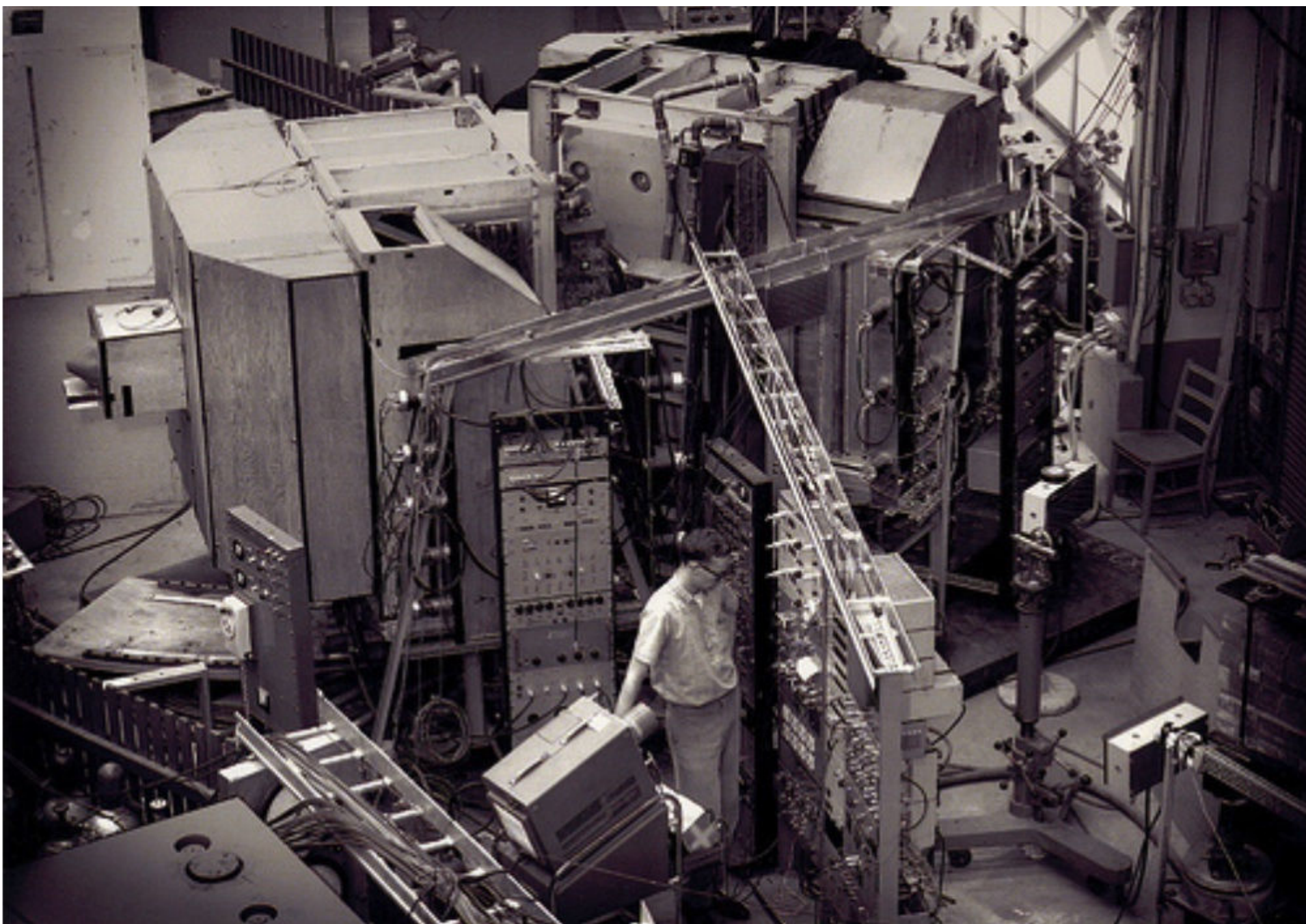
### IV. POWER REQUIREMENTS

The power requirements for the experiment are extraordinarily modest. We must power one 18-in. x 36-in. magnet for sweeping the beam of charged particles. The two magnets in the di-pion spectrometer are operated in series and use a total of 20 kw.

# FLOOR PLAN OF EXPERIMENT









Remember that each neutron count ( $\approx 10^5$ ) =  $10^6 k_0^2$   
in 1 BeV/c momentum band

Now we computed that if all  $k_0^2$  decayed by

$k_0^2$  decay mode we have  $0.06 / \text{pulse} / 10^{11}$   $10^{10}$

$$\frac{240}{10^5 8} = 30 \times 10^{-5} \text{ or } \sim 3 \times 10^{-4} \times \text{fraction that decay in 18 nsec}$$
$$\sim 3 \times .05 = .15 \times 10^{-4} = 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$$

efficiency, for a 1 BeV/c momentum spread about  
1.1 BeV/c

Recall  $10^6 k_0^2 / \text{neutron count} \times 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$

$\therefore$  Set limit of  $\frac{1}{15} \times 10^3$  per neutron count  $\frac{1}{1500}$

or .066 per neutron count.

Want for helium bag =  $\frac{10^3}{15} = 666$  neutron counts

Make 1200 for conservatism.

Thus want  $\sim 1200$  neutron counts for CP invariance  
test.

$.66 / 1000$



THURSDAY - JUNE 20, 1963 - CP INVARIANCE RUN

have removed regenerator stand and anti and installed Helium bag - bag touches SF. window and falls ~6" short of collimator  
bag is .010" thick - switched New Man to new H.V. Supply - same voltage.

126921 126945 .541 .525 .256 - .524 151 1.746

Stopped run because neutron monitor not counting - found anti and collector transistors blown in coin. circuit - replaced - A.O.K.

54469

64437 63261

126945 - 127262 ~~5.3162~~ 2.499 30.011 - 12543 317 1382 15.248 .508 1823 21.7 .1816 .1772 .0830 10.6 2.390 AT N127355 DIAL 36

3a is now meaningless - write with

127262 128412 1284 2.095 100.02 41.62 1150 65.09 99.192 .492

Should consider changing Pb filter - now  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " ??

128412 128604 278 125 16.41 6.28 997 3588

Camera advanced 10 pulses at this point counter not reset.

128614 129611 18525 13.126 7.994 100.02 41.72 997 5890 49.48 .495

129611 130805 18524 13.166 8.262 100.12 41.72 1194 5553 49.823 .498

130805 131535 2.044 11.754 5367 64587 26.794 730 1981 38.215 .498

131535 132626 12696 7788 76.641 40.162 1081 6897 47.965 496 14.0 .183 .0806 11.2 2.40

at 0445, neutron filter diaphragm in camera lens w/ off - perhaps picture taken

(-131844) found top of Helium bag in beam at end of above run - put more He in.

132626 133813 13.281 7.966 100.019 41.904 1187 6124 49.743 497 16.3 .183 .080 11.9 2.39

Space at 133100 - 134650, 16200, change at 137750 - Watch end closely.

N133262 - Spaced film

133813

Note: mag dragged to 000 - correlated ball + NME - don't like it, but is what.

134650 - Spaced film - but some He in bag at 134650

64451 63253  
64530 63203

DIAL - 36

63.266

CP limit

$$\frac{42}{18300} = 2.3 \times 10^{-3}$$

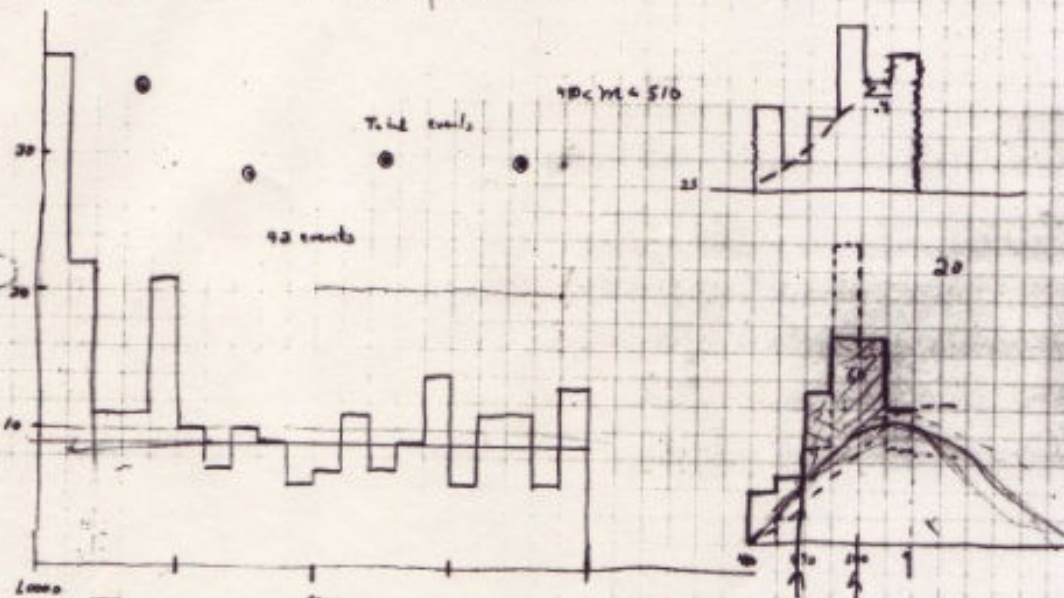
$$= 1 \times 10^{-3}$$

Some plots of 5211 CP events

$$[K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma]^{??} \text{ phase space } \frac{1}{d}$$

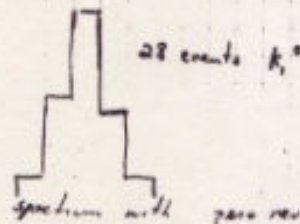
To draw final conclusions, we await the measurement on  $K_L^0$  Hydril.

37 22 11 11 21 10 7 10 9 6 7 11 7 9 4 6 11 11 6 13



An info

New spectrum  
 $\cos \theta > 0.99995$



Tail of  $K(4\pi \pi \nu)$  spectrum with zero reaction window  
Note scale!



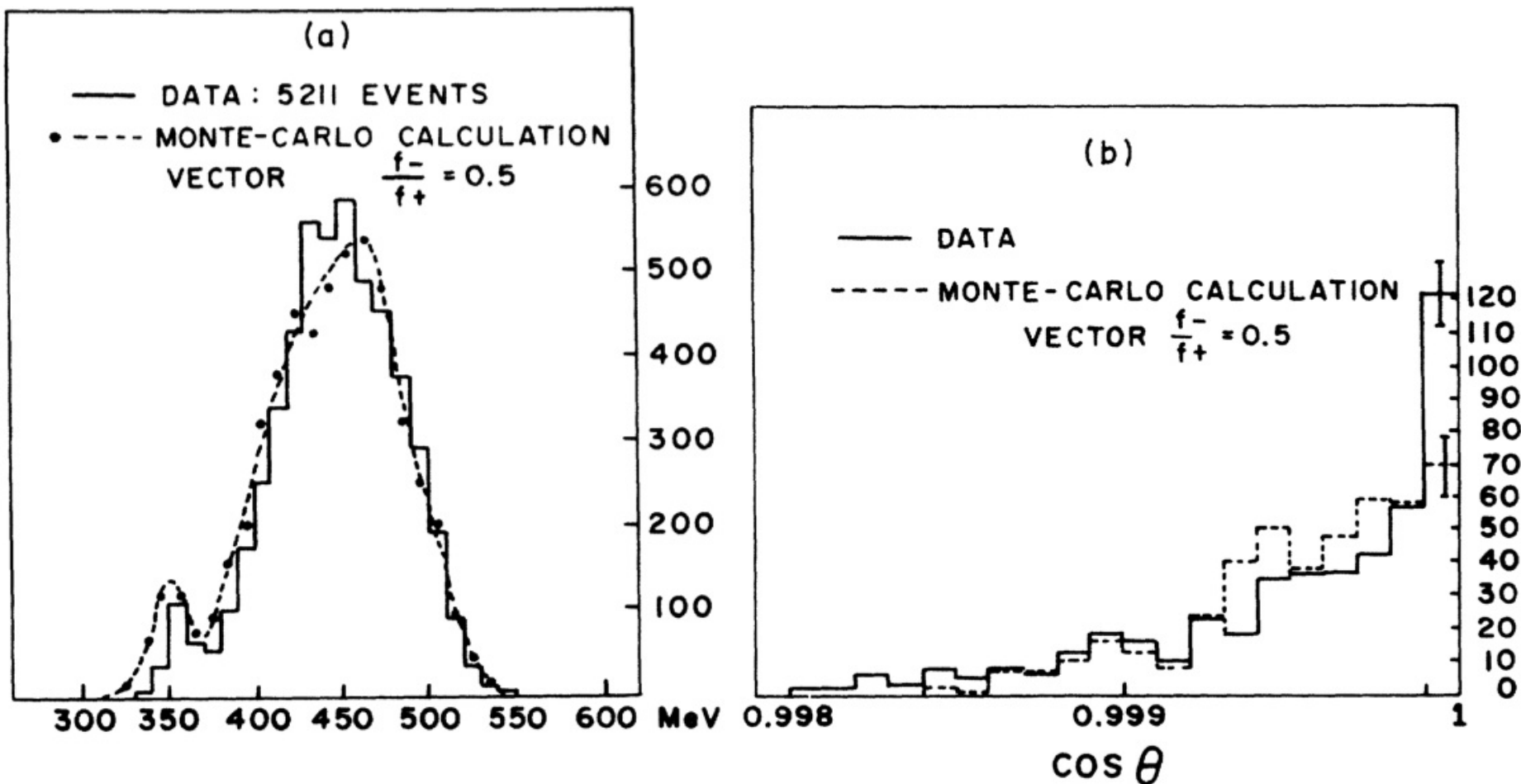
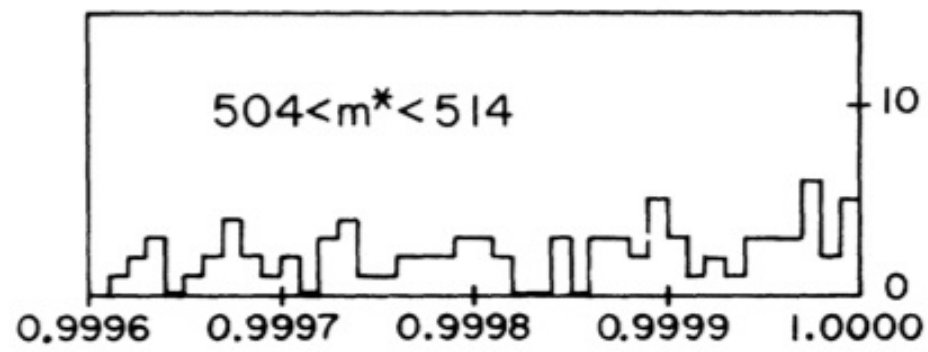
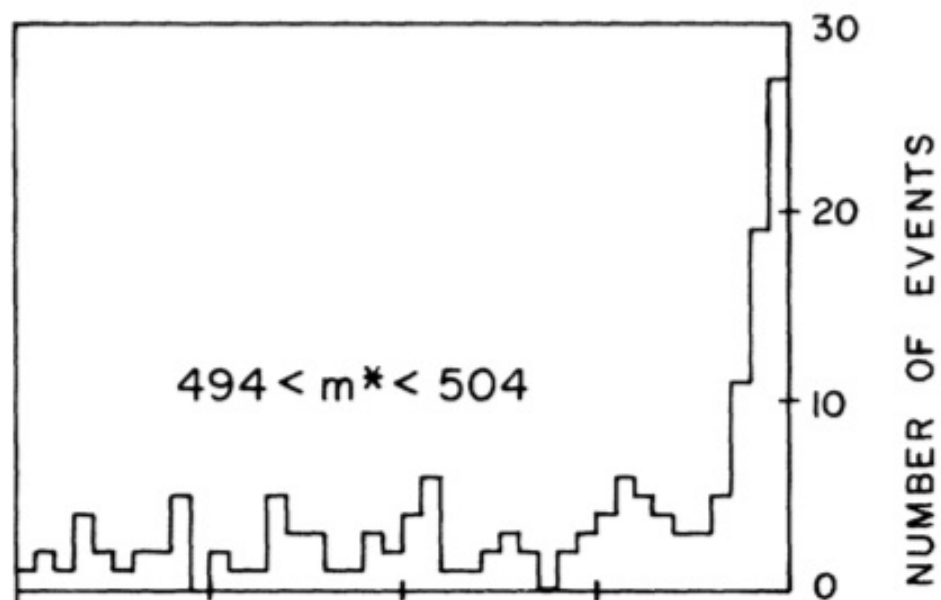
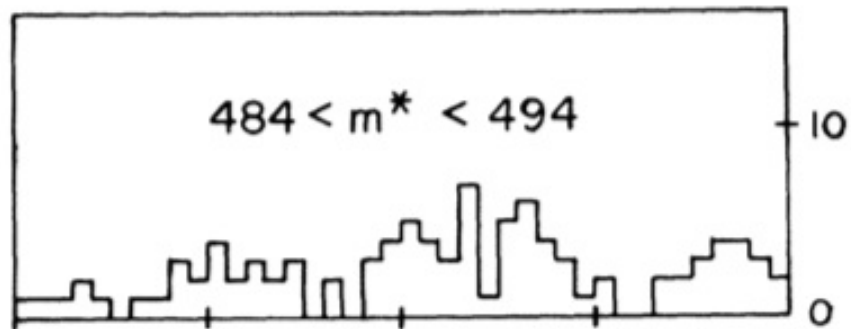


FIG. 2. (a) Experimental distribution in  $m^*$  compared with Monte Carlo calculation. The calculated distribution is normalized to the total number of observed events. (b) Angular distribution of those events in the range  $490 < m^* < 510$  MeV. The calculated curve is normalized to the number of events in the complete sample.



EVIDENCE FOR THE  $2\pi$  DECAY OF THE  $K_2^0$  MESON\*†

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We would conclude therefore that  $K_2^0$  decays to two pions with a branching ratio  $R = (K_2 \rightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^-) / (K_2^0 \rightarrow \text{all charged modes}) = (2.0 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-3}$  where the error is the standard deviation. As emphasized above, any alternate explanation of the effect requires highly nonphysical behavior of the three-body decays of the  $K_2^0$ . The presence of a two-pion decay mode implies that the  $K_2^0$  meson is not a pure eigenstate of  $CP$ . Expressed as

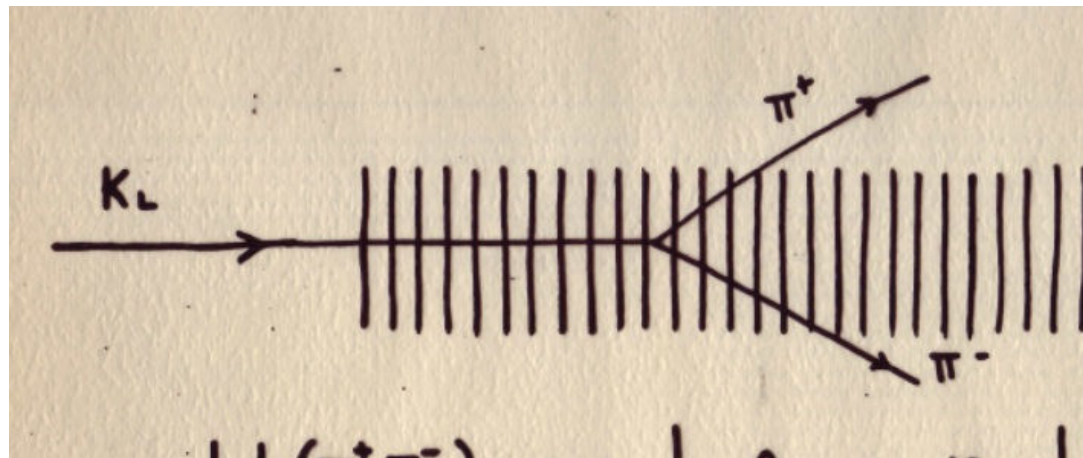


# EVIDENCE FOR CONSTRUCTIVE INTERFERENCE BETWEEN COHERENTLY REGENERATED AND CP-NONCONSERVING AMPLITUDES\*

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For  $A_r = \eta_{+-}$

rate  $\approx 4 \times$  rate

for  $A_r = 0$

Constructive  
interference

$$Y(\pi^+\pi^-) \sim |A_r + \eta_{+-}|^2$$

$$\eta_{+-} = \frac{\text{amp}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)}{\text{amp}(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)}$$

$$A_r = i\pi N\Delta \left( \frac{f-f}{k} \right) \left( i\delta + \frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1}$$

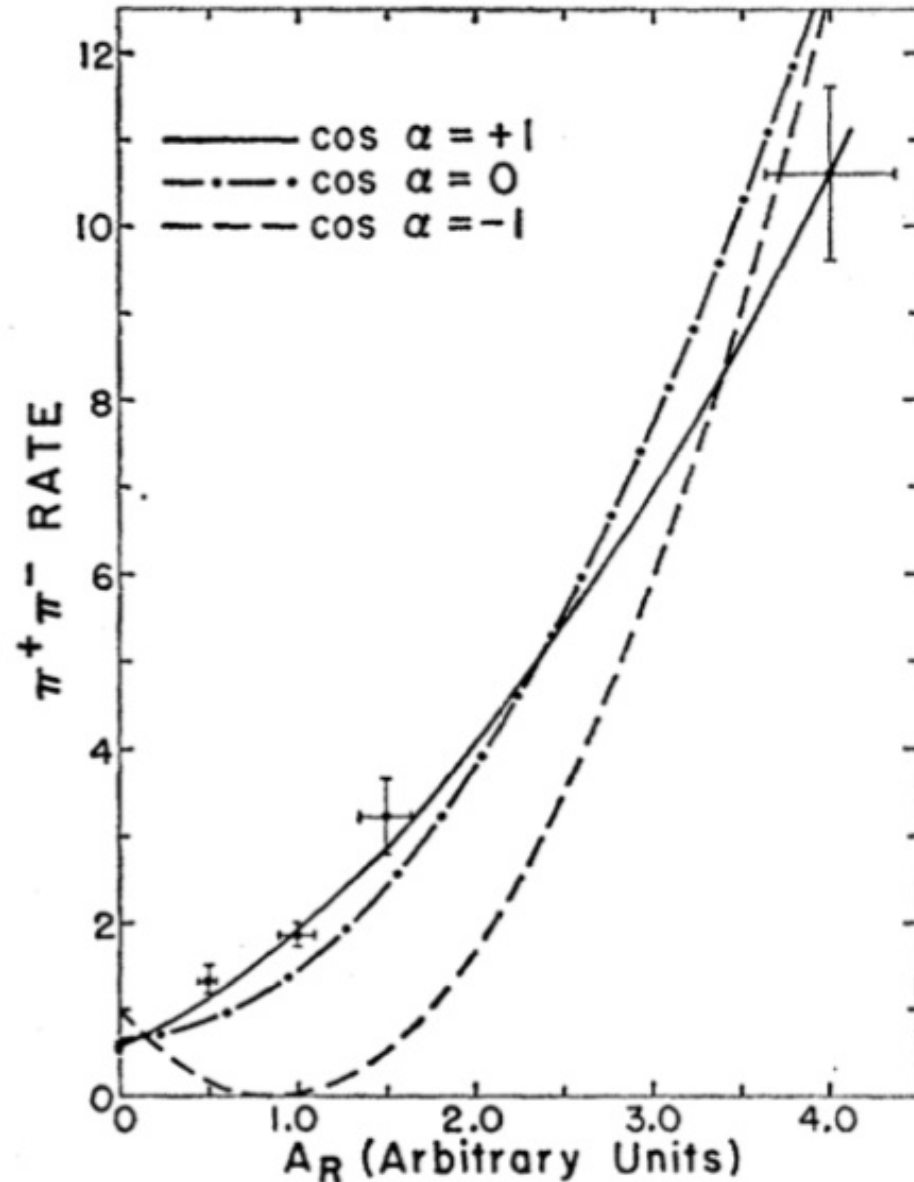


FIG. 13. Measured event rate as a function of regeneration amplitude. The solid curves are the results of best  $\chi^2$  fits to the data for interference angles of  $0$ ,  $\pi/2$ , and  $\pi$ . Only the curve for  $0$  angle gives a good fit to the data.



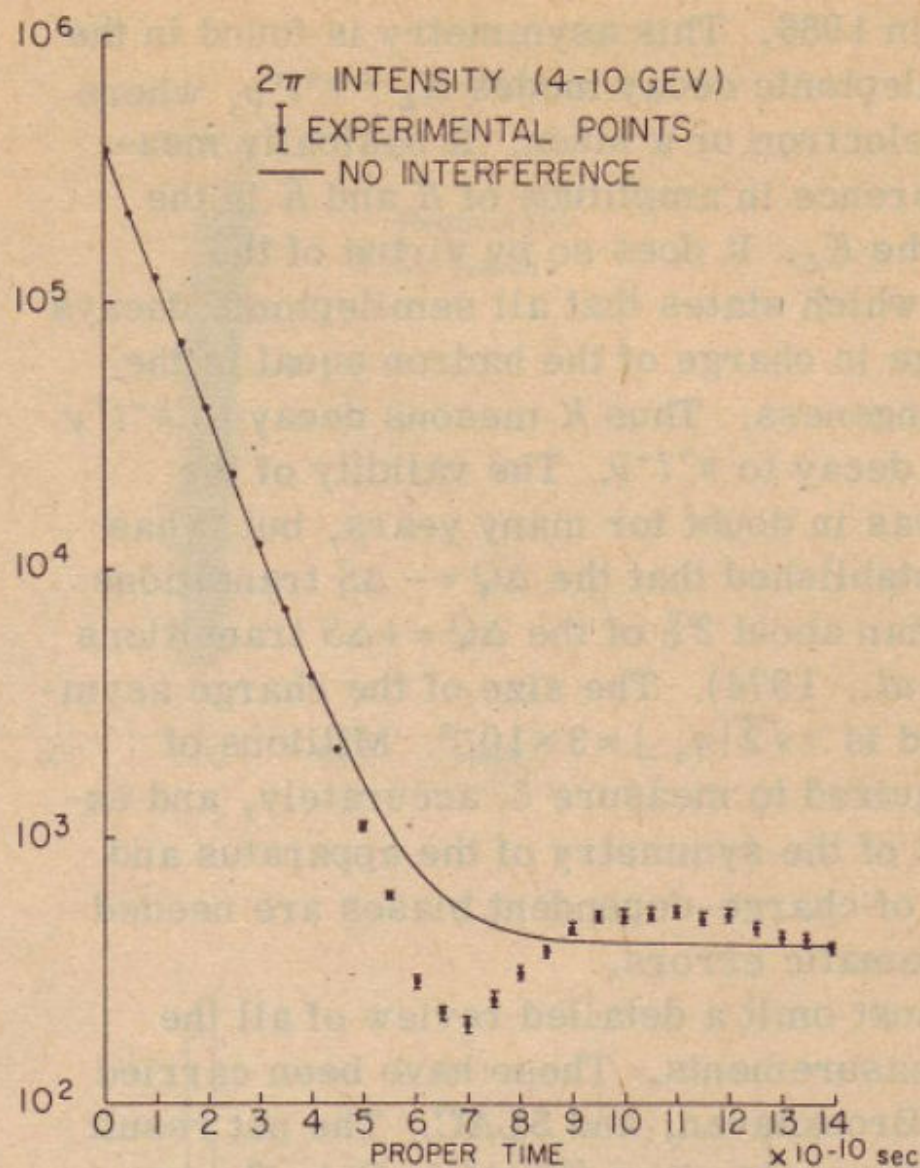


FIG. 2. Yield of  $\pi^+ \pi^-$  events as a function of proper time downstream from an 81 cm carbon regenerator placed in a  $K_L$  beam. Figure taken from thesis of T. Modis, Columbia University (1973); a published version of this work is given by Carithers *et al.* (1975).

$$\frac{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) / \Gamma(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) / \Gamma(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0)} = \left| \frac{\eta_{+-}}{\eta_{00}} \right|^2 \approx 1 + 6 \operatorname{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon) &= [19.2 \pm 1.1(\text{stat}) \pm 1.8(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-4} && \text{KTEV} \\ &= [19.2 \pm 2.1] \times 10^{-4}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon) &= (14.7 \pm 1.4 \pm 0.9 \pm 1.5) \times 10^{-4} && \text{NA48} \\ &= (14.7 \pm 2.2) \times 10^{-4}. \end{aligned}$$

# Violation of CP Invariance, C Asymmetry, and Baryon Asymmetry of the Universe

НАРУШЕНИЕ CP-ИНВАРИАНТНОСТИ, C-АСИММЕТРИЯ  
И БАРИОННАЯ АСИММЕТРИЯ ВСЕЛЕННОЙ

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Теория расширяющейся Вселенной, предполагающая сверхплотное начальное состояние вещества, по-видимому, исключает возможность макроскопического разделения вещества и антивещества; поэтому следует принять, что в природе отсутствуют тела из антивещества, т.е. Вселенная асимметрична в отношении числа частиц и античастиц (C-асимметрия). В частности, отсутствие антибарионов и предполагаемое отсутствие неизвестных барионных нейтрино означает отклонение от нуля барионного заряда (барионная асимметрия). Мы хотим указать на возможное объяснение C-асимметрии в горячей модели расширяющейся Вселенной (см. [1]) с привлечением эффектов нарушения CP-инвариантности (см. [2]). Для объяснения барионной асимметрии дополнительно предполагаем приближенный характер закона сохранения барионов.

Принимаем, что законы сохранения барионов и мюонов не являются абсолютными и должны быть объединены в закон сохранения "комбинированного" барион-мюонного заряда  $B_\mu = B + \mu$ . Положено:



# ***CP*-Violation in the Renormalizable Theory of Weak Interaction**

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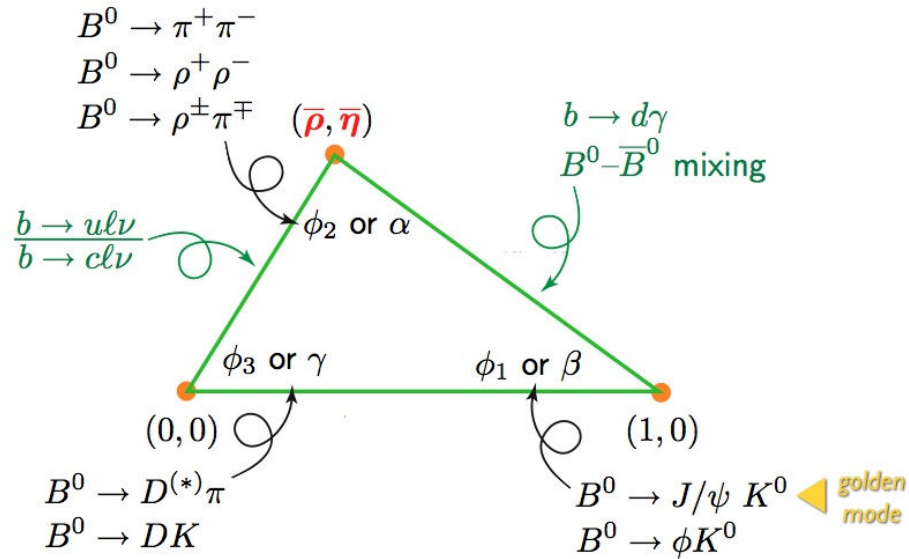
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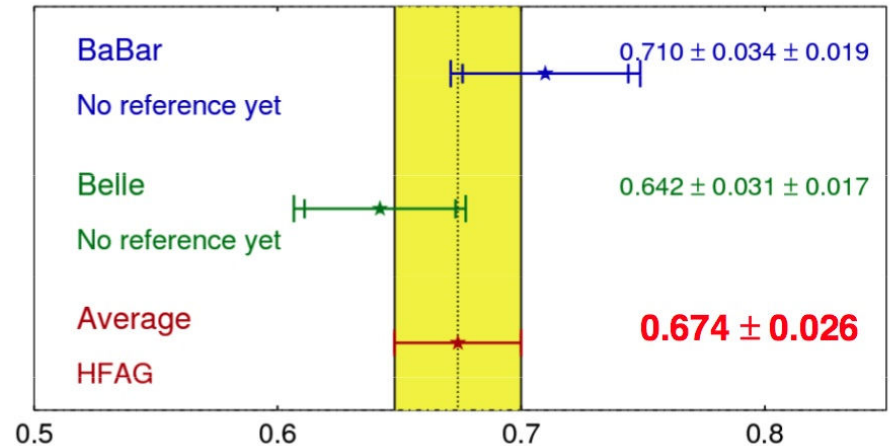
In a framework of the renormalizable theory of weak interaction, problems of *CP*-violation are studied. It is concluded that no realistic models of *CP*-violation exist in the quartet scheme without introducing any other new fields. Some possible models of *CP*-violation are also discussed.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_3 & -\sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_3 \\ \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 & \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \cos \theta_3 - \sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_3 e^{i\delta} & \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_3 + \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_3 e^{i\delta} \\ \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_3 + \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_3 e^{i\delta} & \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_3 - \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_3 e^{i\delta} \end{pmatrix}$$

The angles and sides of the unitarity triangle can be measured independently using various  $B$  decays.



$\sin 2\phi_1$  : *BaBar + Belle*



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