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XV Course: THE WHYS OF SUBNUCLEAR PHYSICS

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PROGRAMME AND LECTURERS

OPENING LECTURE: A. ZICHICH

1. DO WE UNDERSTAND ISOSPIN?

- i) Why is isospin such a good symmetry? If there are four or more quarks, why does the quark mass spectrum begin with one nearly degenerate doublet (u, d) while all the remaining states are singlets with large mass splittings?
ii) Why do degenerate isoscalar-isovector doublets occur frequently in the hadron mass spectrum (ΔΣ, Σ, ρ, ω, f, η)?
iii) Why are the pseudoscalar mesons so different, with no isoscalar state degenerate with the pion?
• H.J. LIPKIN, The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel

2. DO WE UNDERSTAND STRANGENESS?

- i) Why are total cross-sections for strange particles smaller than for non-strange particles? Strange particles are heavier than the non-strange ones. Are these two facts correlated? Also
σ\_p ≈ 2-3 mb ≪ σ\_np
m\_1 ≈ 3.1 GeV ≫ m\_2
ii) Why are the weak non-leptonic decay rates three orders of magnitude greater than the weak leptonic decay, i.e.
Δ = |g| ≈ 10^-1?
iii) Why are S- and P-waves in non-leptonic strange particle decays correlated? Strange particles behave differently from non-strange particles in ways which are still not understood. The assertion that strange and nonstrange particles differ because of the strange-quark content, merely passes the buck to the quark level and explains nothing. Do we understand strangeness?
iv) What is the status of the SU(3) multiplets?
• R. BIZZARRI, University of Rome, Rome, Italy
• H.J. LIPKIN, The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel

3. DO WE UNDERSTAND THE NEW PARTICLES?

- i) There are four states with C = +1, between J and q. Do we understand their decay rates?
ii) In the hidden charm states, why is the triplet-singlet splitting so large? Is the answer long range spin-dependent forces?
iii) Is the J^PC = 1^- state inside the mass-range 3.550-3.615 or is it pushed down by large triplet-singlet shift?
iv) Charmed mesons D\_2, D\_2^\*, D\_2^\*, D\_2^\* have been observed, with the expected C, G^P, and parity violation. Is the open colour theory still alive?
v) At 4.023, analysis of the recoil mass spectrum against the detected D^0's indicates that
α(D^0 D^0) : α(D^0 D^0) : α(D^0 D^0) : α(D^0 D^0) ≈ 1 : 3 : 1:1
This yields the following ratios of the reduced coupling constants
g(D^0 D^0) : g(D^0 D^0) : g(D^0 D^0) ≈ 1 : 3 : 100.
Is the answer Molecular Chromodynamics?
vi) The charm yield at 4.412 GeV is 1/3 that at 4.023 GeV. Is this due to charm burning?
vii) Why does K\_1^0 → π^+ π^- not go as it should, while π^+ → e^+ ν\_e anything does? Or more generally, why are weak neutral non-strange currents there, and weak neutral strange currents not there? Is the answer: charm, heavy leptons, or something else?
viii) Should we believe in the spikes observed in pp annihilations?
• B.H. WILK, DESY, Hamburg, Germany (FRG)
• M. CHEN, MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA
• G. GOLDHARBER, Lawrence Berkeley Lab, Berkeley, CA, USA
• J. PEREZ-Y-JORBA, Laboratoire de l'Accélérateur Linéaire, Orsay, France
• H.J. LIPKIN, The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel
• A. MARTIN, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland
• S. HELDSON, University of Stockholm, Stockholm, Sweden
• H. F. SCHOFFER, DESY, Hamburg, Germany (FRG)

4. DO WE UNDERSTAND SYMMETRY BREAKING?

- i) Why is the Gell-Mann angle ≈ 20°? Can the answer be found via spontaneous symmetry breaking?
ii) Why is the rate of K\_1^0 → π^+ π^- two orders of magnitude higher than K^0 → 2π? Do we understand axial dominance?
iii) Why do m(π\_1) and m(π\_2) not coincide with the observed masses of vector mesons? Is this because of SU(3) breaking?
iv) Is there any link between the anomalous symmetry breaking observed in nature:
(1) (1, 1/2, 1/2) : (1, 1/2, 1/2) = 1/2^2
(2) (1, 1/2, 1/2) : (1, 1/2, 1/2) = 1/2^2
Why is the world not as symmetric as expected if it were simple? Is the reason spontaneous symmetry breaking?
• S. COLEMAN, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA

5. DO WE UNDERSTAND LEPTONS?

- i) Why are the electromagnetic properties of electrons and muons identical? Is the muon a heavy electron, or is there a subtle difference between "e" and "μ" in their leptonic numbers? Is it in the domain of weak interactions, which nobody knows how to construct, mass differences of the order of 10^-10 MeV?
ii) Another heavy lepton — of the standard type, with spin 1/2 — seems to show up with standard electromagnetic properties, as SPEAR. Why another lepton, and so heavy,
m ≈ 1.9 GeV/c^2?
iii) Is the role of the leptons to be a type of the elementary number of quarks
( u )
( d )
( s )
( c )
( b )
( t )
would it build hadrons?
• N. CABIBBO, University of Rome, Rome, Italy
• A. ZICHICH, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

6. DO WE UNDERSTAND THE INCLUSIVE LEPTON PRODUCTION IN HADRONIC INTERACTIONS?

- i) According to the most recent results, the single lepton yield produced in hadronic interactions seems to be consistent with pair production. The only place for the contribution from leptonic decays of the charmed particles is the very low p\_T region, still open to investigation. Do we really understand the inclusive lepton pion ratios, all over the energy range investigated?
• A.S. SMITH, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, USA
ii) DO WE UNDERSTAND HIGH-ENERGY NEUTRINO REACTIONS?
i) The ratio of neutrinos to muon cross-sections, i.e., ν\_μ/μ, at low energies, has been to be rising at energies above 50 GeV. What is the origin of this rise? Still another quark number?
ii) And what about the ν\_μ/μ ratio at high energies?
iii) What is the origin of the diposons observed in high-energy neutrino reactions?
iv) What is the origin of position plus strange particles? Is it charm? Are all these phenomena correlated?
v) Is it true that charm is not produced in neutral current events?
• C. RUBBIA, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland
• R. SAMBON, Brookhaven National Lab, Upton, NY, USA

7. DO WE UNDERSTAND TOTAL, ELASTIC AND DIFFERENTIAL CROSS-SECTIONS?

- i) Why is the elastic scattering imaginary at high energy? Or, in Regge-language, why do cross sections dominate and odd signatures become negligible? Is this because diffraction is shadow scattering? Do we understand diffraction scattering?
ii) Why is the Pomeron slope so small?
iii) Why is
σ^diff elastic ≈ 1/3
σ^diff total
and strongly energy-independent?
iv) Why are meson cross-sections smaller than baryon cross-sections? More precisely, do we understand the inequalities of the total cross-sections:
σ^pp > σ^pn > σ^np > σ^pp > σ^pn > σ^np > σ^pp > σ^pn > σ^np > σ^pp > σ^pn > σ^np
and the identical forward slopes inequalities:
dσ^pp/dt ≈ dσ^pn/dt ≈ dσ^np/dt ≈ dσ^pp/dt ≈ dσ^pn/dt ≈ dσ^np/dt ≈ dσ^pp/dt ≈ dσ^pn/dt ≈ dσ^np/dt
in particular, do we understand why the (J,P) slope is so small?
v) Why do total cross-sections rise with energy as much as they do?
• F.E. LOW, MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA
• H.J. MERTINEN, SLAC, Stanford, CA, USA

9. DO WE UNDERSTAND THE HIGH-ENERGY PHENOMENA OBSERVED IN NUCLEI?

- i) Why is the exponent of the A-dependence for high p\_T events so high? Can this be explained in terms of coherent nuclear effects?
ii) What about the multiplicity distribution produced and its A-dependence?
• J.W. CRONIN, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, USA

10. DO WE UNDERSTAND THE INCLUSIVE ELECTROMAGNETIC COUPLING OF THE HADRONS?

- i) At relatively low energy we observe that the inclusive electromagnetic coupling of the hadrons is pion-like. Is it because the hadrons are made of superfluous constituents? And if so, why do they not show up? Is the answer confinement?
ii) Departures from scaling have been observed in high-energy induced deep inelastic processes. Are these departures understood in terms of new quantum numbers being excited within the nucleus constituents? Or are they within standard field theory expectation?
iii) Are the electron corrections really understood in the ratio of the proton to neutron structure functions? What is the value of
ν W^2 / W^2 P^2, which ≈ 1-1?
• G. PREPARATA, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

11. SHOULD WE BELIEVE IN QUARKS?

- i) Why is SU(3) there? Is this because the so-called elementary particles are made of quarks?
ii) Why is 3/2 the maximum value of isospin found in the baryon spectrum and 3 the maximum value of strangeness? Is this because baryons are made of three quarks?
iii) Why is
σ^pp ≈ 2/3
σ^pp
Is this because mesons are made of two quarks and baryons of three quarks?
iv) Do the electromagnetic form factors of protons and neutrons have different dependence? Do we understand the elastic electromagnetic form factors of elementary particles?
v) Why do single quark transitions dominate? i.e. Why is it so easy to have spectator quarks?
vi) Why have quarks so far not been found? Is it because quarks are geometrical entities deprived of physical meaning or because the confinement theories preclude the truth, or because the production process has not been correctly investigated in past experiments?
• H. J. LIPKIN, The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel
• G. PREPARATA, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland
• A. ZICHICH, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

12. SHOULD WE REALLY BELIEVE IN ANOTHER FUNDAMENTAL INTERACTION?

- i) Why does
K\_L → 2π
go? Or more generally, why is CP violated? Will this be a new interaction superweak — is it work?
• L.B. OKUN, Academy of Sciences of the USSR, Moscow, USSR
• L. WOLFENSTEIN, Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

13. DO WE UNDERSTAND THE UNIVERSALITY FEATURES OBSERVED IN NATURE?

- i) Why is the weak charge universal?
ii) Why is the electric charge universal?
iii) Why are the proton, the neutron, the Δ^+, as examples of baryonic states, and the π^+, π^0, π^-, as examples of leptonic states, all left-handed when they interact weakly? Is this due to the fact that they sometimes transform from one to the other? Is this related to the fact that the bare electric charges of the neutron and proton (i.e. of the two best measured so far) are equal?
• A. SALAM, Imperial College, London, UK

14. SHOULD WE BELIEVE IN GAUGE THEORIES?

- i) We do not observe any of the processes predicted by theory to have infinite rates, such as all higher order weak interaction processes and electromagnetic processes. Are we sure that something physically very relevant is not missing which causes all attempts to have a renormalizable theory of weak interactions to fail? Can the way out be gauge theory?
ii) All phenomena so far observed can be described in terms of six interactions. How many fundamental interactions are there? Are they all orthogonal to each other, or have they a common origin?
iii) What about fermions?
• S. COLEMAN, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA
• R. ZUMINO, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

15. CAN INTERNAL AND LORENTZ GROUP SYMMETRIES BE UNIFIED?

- We observe regularities which go beyond SU(3); for example SU(6) — explains the empirical agreement between the coefficients of the Gell-Mann-Okubo mass formula for baryon octet and decuplet, by the merging of these two SU(3) multiplets in a 56 multiplet of SU(6). Furthermore, the ratio of magnetic moments μ\_p/μ\_n is predicted to be 2/3 (exp. ≈ 0.68); transition magnetic moments are in quarklike agreement as well; — explains the initial divergence of α and α\_s; — gives the correct amount of (u-d) mixing; — predicts the equality
m\_K^2 = m\_π^2 + m\_ρ^2 = m\_0^2
which is checked by experiment, as well as the Johnson-Treiman relations for (Kp) and (Kp) total cross-sections, and the relations between decay amplitudes of non-leptonic strong particle decays.
i) Is all this because unitary spin and Dirac spins are correlated?
• F. GURSEY, Yale University, New Haven, CT, USA
• R. ZUMINO, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

16. SHOULD WE BELIEVE IN QUANTUM FIELD THEORY?

- Mean of our understanding in subnuclear physics is based on quantum field theory (QFT). The only working example of QFT in quantum electrodynamics (everybody has failed to do so) is breaking even at the highest colliding (e^+e^-) energies.
i) Is QFT viable as a mathematical structure?
ii) Is it a more fundamental level, is quantum mechanics credible?
• R. BEPPE ETTI, Zurich, Switzerland
• H. HOFSCHADT, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA
• A.S. WIGHTMAN, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, USA
• E.P. WIGNER, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, USA

17. BEYOND PRESENT KNOWLEDGE

- i) Quantum mechanics is based on complex numbers; can an extension to quaternions and octonions lead to a deeper understanding of particle physics?
ii) At a yet fundamental level, what do we know about space? Why is it curly (flat)?
iii) The proton lifetime is τ\_p ≈ 10^31 universe at least. Why is the proton stable?
• F.E. RABI, Columbia University, New York, NY, USA
• S.C.C. TING, MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA
• G. A. VOSIS, Hamburg FRG
• F.P. WEISSKOPF, Geneva, Geneva, MA, USA
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CLOSING LECTURE: E.P. WIGNER

THE FUTURE OF HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS IN THE WORLD

- A special session chaired by: H. RABY - New York
The (pp) project — C. RUBBIA, Geneva, CH
The (ep) project — B. H. WILK, Hamburg, FRG
The (e^+e^-) project — A. ZICHICH, Geneva, CH
The (PETA) project — G. A. VOSIS, Hamburg FRG
The PEP project — B. RICHTER, Stanford, USA
The LEP project — K. JOHNSEN, Geneva, CH
The ISABELLE project — R. BAL, New York, USA
The World machine — E. R. WILSON, Batavia, USA
Thinking at CERN about the future — L. VAN HOVE, Geneva, CH

PURPOSE OF THE SCHOOL

In spite of the spectacular results obtained in recent times, Subnuclear Physics is far from reaching the asymptotic form of a field without a future. This is testified by the large number of problems which open up at a rate at least comparable with that of new results.
This is WHY we have decided to present this year's programme in a provocative format, based on a series of WHYS. Each WHY will be regarded as follows: (a) Statement of the problem; (b) Experimental status; (c) Outlook. In spite of the classification into many groups, some of the WHYS are interrelated. This is again a crucial point of investigation which will be developed at the School, where the greatest world experts will be confronted with the scientific audience of young and old Erice physicists.

SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The following special Scholarships have been established in honour of, and named after, the late Physicists:
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POETIC TOUCH

According to a legend, Erice, son of Venus, founded a small town on top of a mountain (750 meters above sea level) more than three thousand years ago.
Homer (= 900 B.C.), Theocritus (= 300 B.C.), Polybius (= 200 B.C.), Virgil (= 50 B.C.), Horace (= 50 B.C.) and others, have celebrated their magnificent spots in Sicily in their Poems. Among the sights there, the Castle of Venus and the Cyclopean Wall can be admired. Other masterpieces of ancient Greek civilization, such as Malta, Segesta and Selinunte, are to be found in the neighborhood. On the Argentario Islands, which can be reached by cable car, lies hydrothermal bust in about two hours, there are prehistoric murals in the famous grotto of Levanzo, the Grotte Marine of Marettimo, and the recently discovered prehistoric grottoes of Favignone. There are splendid beaches, the best about 40 minutes drive from Erice, at San Vito Lo Capo, Scopello, Corico, and wild beaches around Monte Cofano.

Please note:

- It is regretted that, owing to the limited number of places available in the lecture hall, it will not be possible to allow any person not selected by the Committee of the School to follow the course.
• NSF travel grants are restricted to USA citizens. Applications for these should be made as soon as possible through the Director of the School.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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ii) degree and other academic qualifications;
iii) list of publications;
iv) present position and place of work;
and include:
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Closing date for application: June 20, 1977
No special application form is required.

A letter will be sent to successful applicants by June 25. Students experiencing difficulties with travel documentation and needing to know before June 25 whether or not their applications have been accepted, may obtain an earlier special decision by submitting a justified request.

Students must be in Erice on July 23 not later than 5 pm. Please note that the Calendar Holidays and the School Holidays are totally uncorrelated. More detailed information, including the timetable of the lectures, will be sent to successful applicants together with the letter of acceptance.
A. ZICHICH - DIRECTOR

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