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to RHIC

For me, an extremely fruitful collaboration!

- Low energy nuclear physics major directions: reactions and spectroscopy
- Tools: Coulomb excitation (COULEX)—understanding level schemes and EM transition rates
- Distorted Wave Born Approximation DWBA—calculating reaction rates using nuclear optical potential
- NBI is where these came together with the matchmakers Ole Hansen (Copenhagen) and Lee Grodzins (MIT) on sabbatical leave

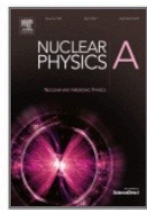
# Timeline:

- Sept. 1972 We meet at Niels Bohr Institute – FV student of Ole Hansen  
I leave Europe for MIT Grodzins group in Dec 1972  
FV and MIT collaborate with Doug Cline (Rochester) on Coulomb-nuclear interference with FV doing DWBA calculations using DWUCK at NBI
- Sept. 1974 – Dec. 1975 Visiting Scientist in Lee Grodzins heavy-ion group  
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- 1975-1985 – Return to NBI
- Jan. 1985–Dec. 1989 Argonne Nat. Lab  
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- Dec. 1989–present – at BNL



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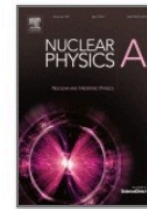
# The interference of Coulomb and nuclear excitation in the scattering of $^{16}\text{O}$ from $^{58}\text{Ni}$ , $^{88}\text{Sr}$ and $^{142}\text{Nd}$

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# Coulomb-nuclear interference and nuclear reorientation in the scattering of $^{16, 18}\text{O}$ by $^{58}\text{Ni}$ and $^{64}\text{Ni}$

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## Polarization in Heavy-Ion Inelastic Scattering in the Coulomb-Nuclear Interference Region

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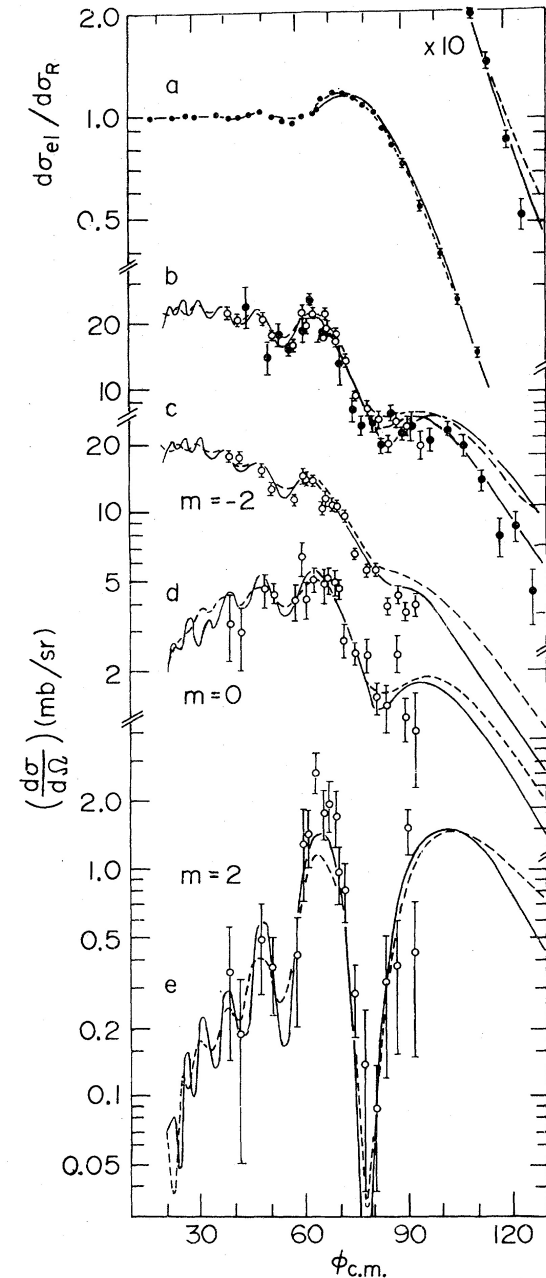
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The polarization in the region of Coulomb-nuclear interference has been determined from the  $\gamma$ -ray correlation following excitation of the 856-keV  $2^+$  state in  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  by 43-MeV  $^{16}\text{O}$  ions. Elastic and inelastic scattering cross sections were also measured. Dramatic interference effects are observed in the transition amplitudes which can be reproduced by coupled-channel distorted-wave calculations.

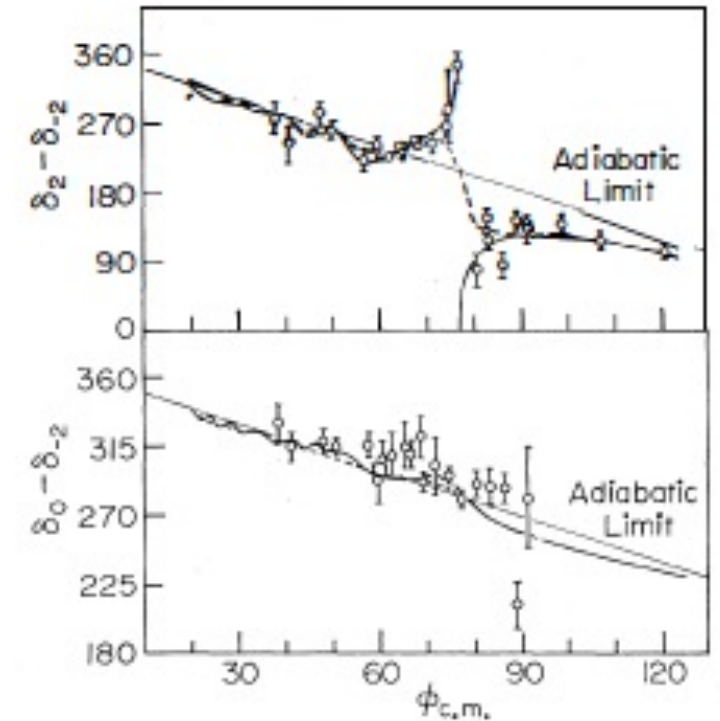
$^{56}\text{Fe}(^{16}\text{O}, ^{16}\text{O}'\gamma)$  with 43 MeV  $^{16}\text{O}$  beam energy as function of c.m. scattering angle. Measure  $\gamma$  rays in coincidence with inelastically scattered  $^{16}\text{O}$  ion exciting the  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  2+ state at 856 keV. See strong Coulomb-nuclear interference. Experiment performed at Univ. of Rochester MP Tandem Van de Graaff accelerator. Scattered  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  ion detected from  $15^\circ$  to  $110^\circ$  by 2 position-sensitive Si detectors in focal plane of Enge split-pole spectrograph. Scattered  $^{16}\text{O}$  ions detected in 4 surface-barrier Si detectors.  $\gamma$ -rays detected in coincidence array of six 3" x 3" NaI (TI) detectors in upper hemisphere.

Solid lines show distorted wave coupled-channel calculations using optical potential obtained from fit to elastic scattering. Dashed lines show DWBA predictions.

- (a) Elastic scattering/Rutherford scattering  
 (b) Inelastic scattering cross section to  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  2+ state  
 (c) -- (e)  $M$ -substate populations of the 2+ state



Relative phases of the transition amplitudes to the 2+ state as a function of the c.m. scattering angle



Fragment Spin Orientation Following Deep-Inelastic Scattering\*

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Yields of discrete  $\gamma$  transitions in coincidence with deep-inelastic fragments identified in a particle telescope have been measured as a function of  $Q$  value and  $Z$  from the scattering of  $^{16}\text{O}$  with  $^{27}\text{Al}$  at 100 MeV. The anisotropies in the  $\gamma$ -particle angular correlations indicate a high degree of spin alignment in the fragments. This, as well as the deduced value of the internal angular momentum, is consistent with sticking of the fragments prior to scission.

<sup>4</sup>T. M. Cormier, A. J. Lazzarini, M. A. Neuhausen, A. Sperduto, K. Van Bibber, F. Videbæk, G. Young, E. B. Blum, L. Herreid, and W. Thoms, *Phys. Rev. C* **13**, 682 (1976).



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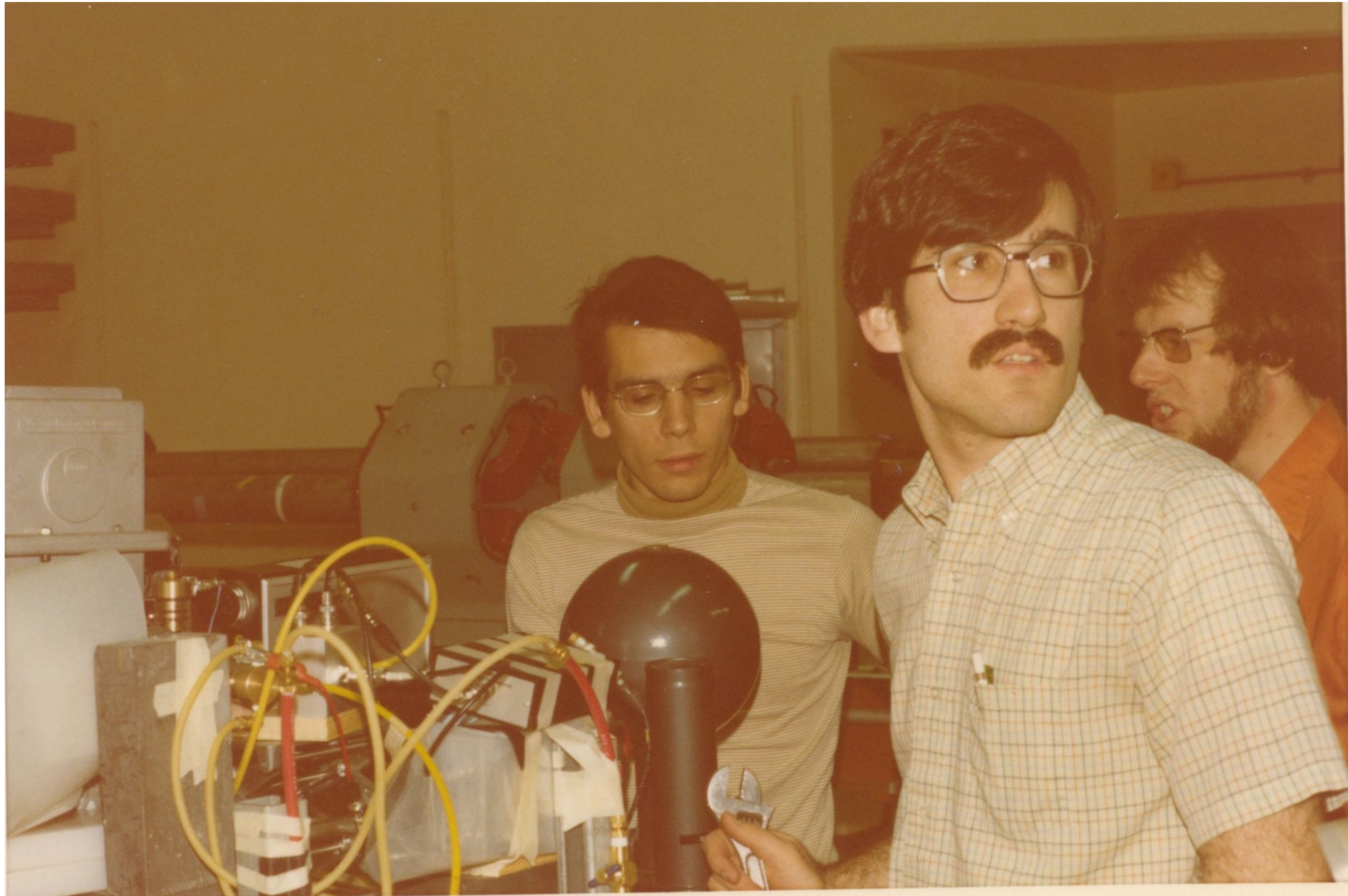




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**Elastic scattering, transfer reactions, and fission induced by  $^{16}\text{O}$  ions on  $^{181}\text{Ta}$  and  $^{208}\text{Pb}^\dagger$** 

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Total cross sections for the quasielastic and fission channels in reactions of  $^{16}\text{O}$  on  $^{181}\text{Ta}$  and  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  were measured as a function of the incident energy near the Coulomb barrier. For  $^{208}\text{Pb}$ , the fission and quasielastic components account for essentially all of the total reaction cross sections as deduced from the elastic scattering. However, for  $^{181}\text{Ta}$ , the fission and quasielastic components account for only about 25% of the total cross section as deduced from elastic scattering. The fission fragment angular distributions for  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  are analyzed with a simple statistical approach yielding an effective moment of inertia at the saddle point compatible with the liquid-drop-model prediction. Fission excitation functions for  $^{181}\text{Ta}$  are described reasonably well by a statistical evaporation code.

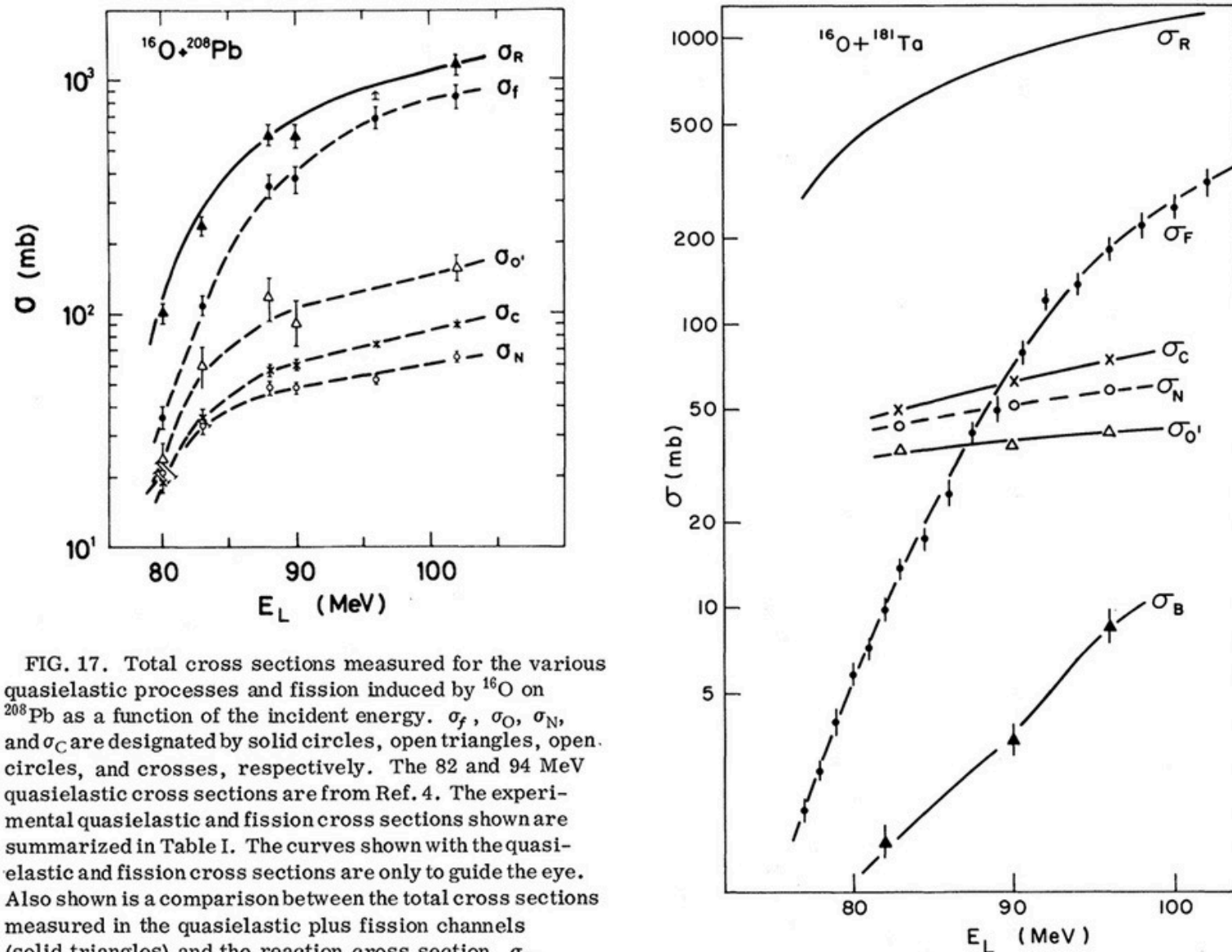


FIG. 17. Total cross sections measured for the various quasielastic processes and fission induced by  $^{16}\text{O}$  on  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  as a function of the incident energy.  $\sigma_f$ ,  $\sigma_{O'}$ ,  $\sigma_N$ , and  $\sigma_C$  are designated by solid circles, open triangles, open circles, and crosses, respectively. The 82 and 94 MeV quasielastic cross sections are from Ref. 4. The experimental quasielastic and fission cross sections shown are summarized in Table I. The curves shown with the quasielastic and fission cross sections are only to guide the eye. Also shown is a comparison between the total cross sections measured in the quasielastic plus fission channels (solid triangles) and the reaction cross section,  $\sigma_R$ , predicted from the optical model—see Table II.



**Intermediate mass fragment emission in Fe + Au collisions**

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Experimental results are presented on the charge, velocity, and angular distributions of intermediate mass fragments (IMFs) for the reaction Fe + Au at bombarding energies of 50 and 100 MeV/nucleon. Results are compared to the quantum molecular dynamics (QMD) model and a modified QMD which includes a Pauli potential and follows the subsequent statistical decay of excited reaction products. The more complete model gives a good representation of the data and suggests that the major source of IMFs at large angles is due to multifragmentation of the target residue.

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citations**Kaon and Pion Production in Central Si + Au Collisions at 14.6A GeV/c**

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Semi-inclusive spectra of  $\pi^\pm$ ,  $K^\pm$ , and  $p$  have been measured near midrapidity for central collisions of 14.6A-GeV/c  $^{28}\text{Si}$  with  $^{197}\text{Au}$  nuclei. The invariant cross sections are all well fitted by exponential distributions in transverse mass, within the measured ranges. The  $\pi$  and  $K$  cross sections can also be fitted by Boltzmann distributions. From integrated yields, at midrapidity, the kaon/pion yield ratios are  $(19.2 \pm 3)\%$  for  $K^+/\pi^+$  and  $(3.6 \pm 0.8)\%$  for  $K^-/\pi^-$ ; the  $\pi^+/\pi^-$  ratio is  $1.00 \pm 0.04$ .

# E802/E859/E866/E917 Experiment

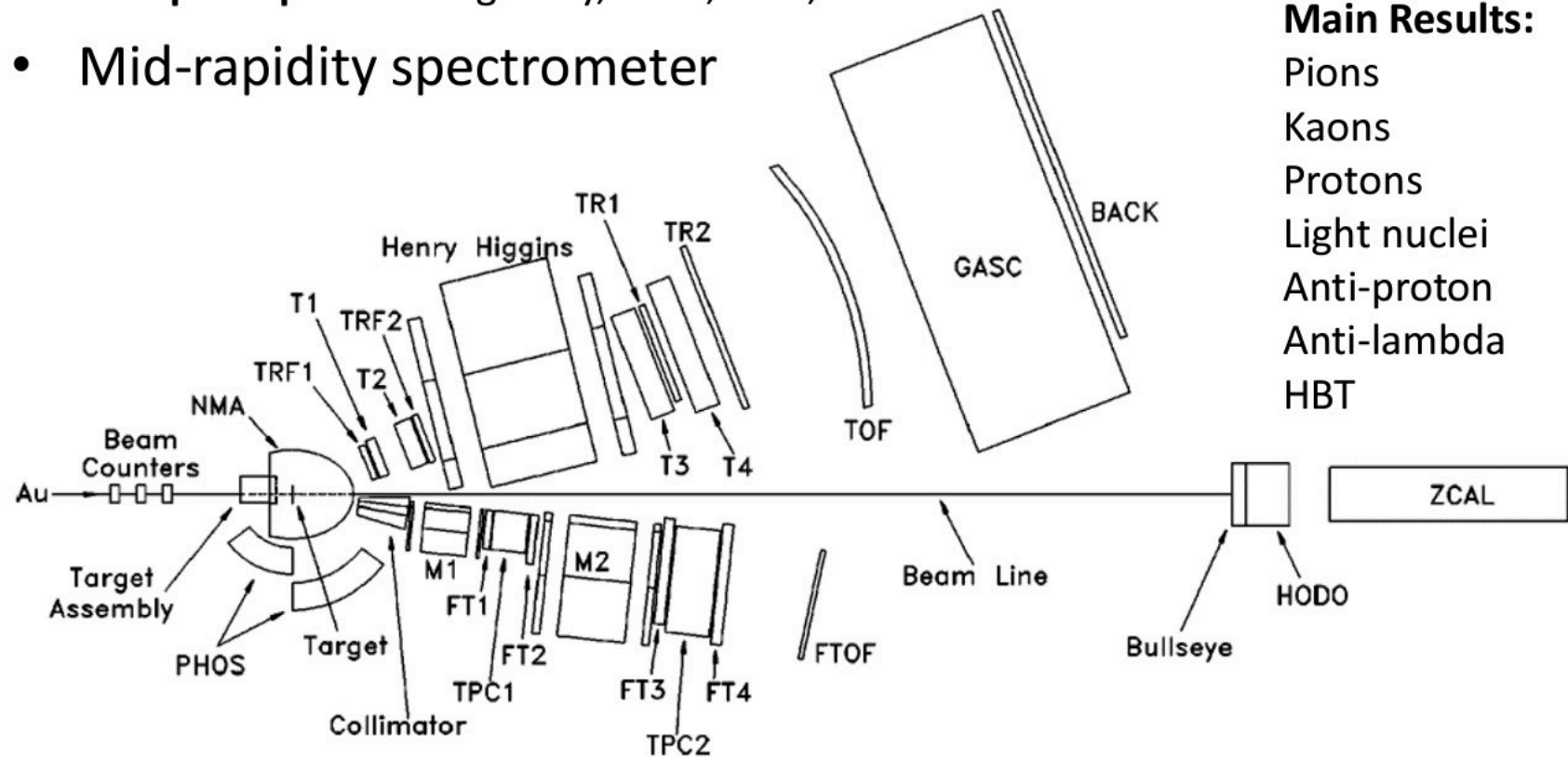
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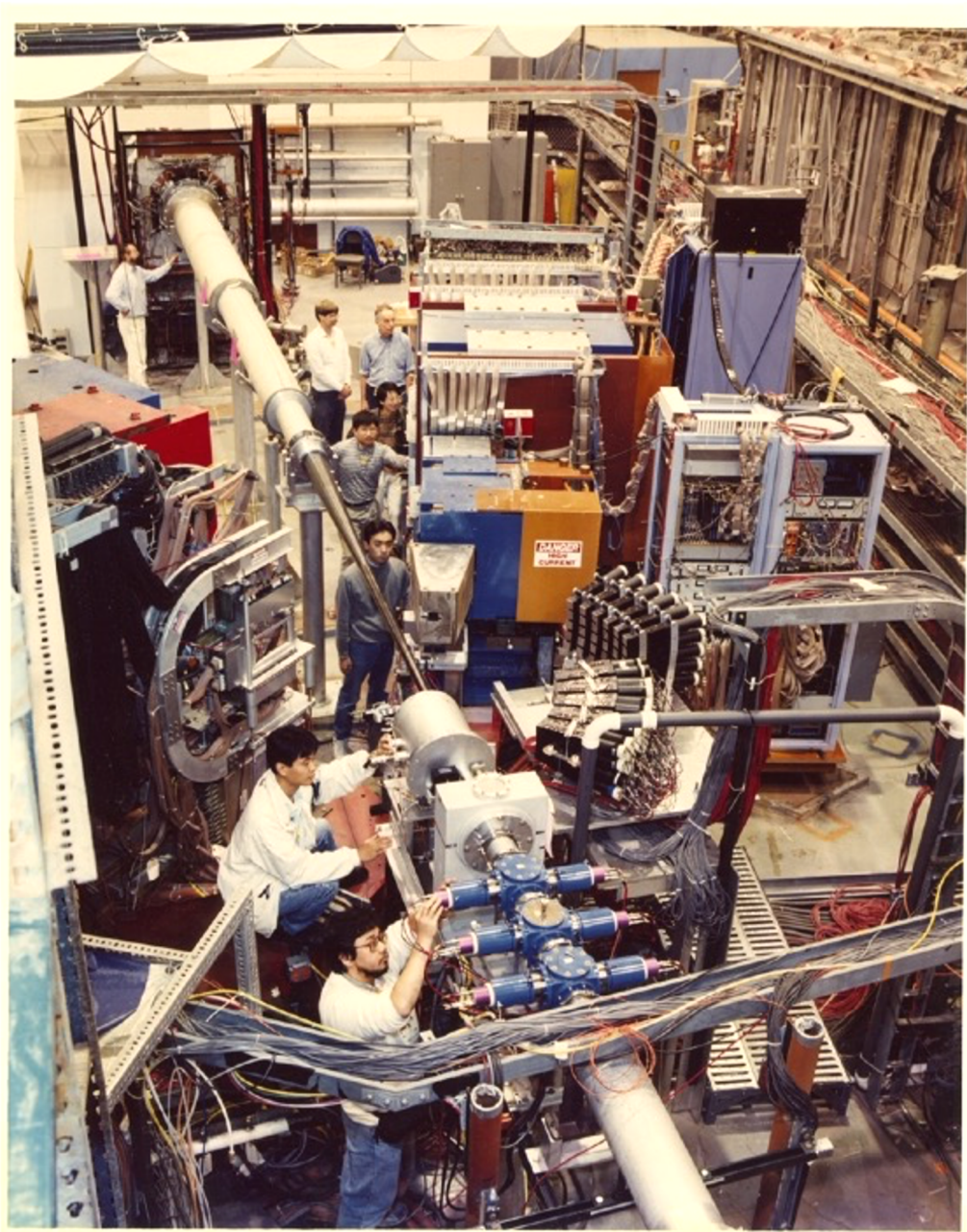
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- Mid-rapidity spectrometer



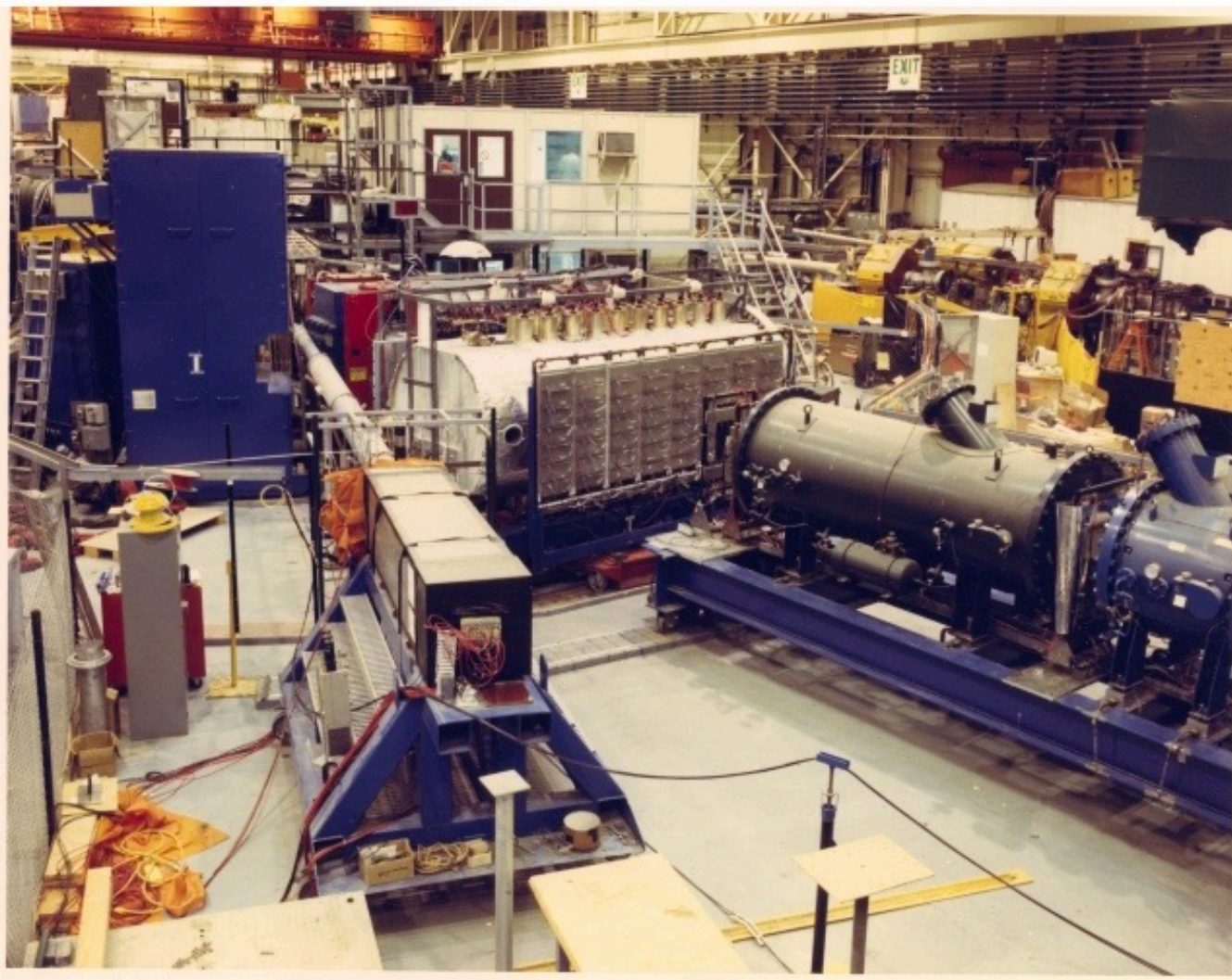
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## AGS E802/E859/E866/E917 spectrometer

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In summary, we have measured the first momentum distributions for identified charged particles produced in high-energy nucleus-nucleus collisions. We find that the invariant cross sections for the produced particles within a given rapidity interval for central collisions can be described as having an exponential or Boltzmann dependence in transverse mass. The integrated pion distributions have a rather broad dependence in rapidity, but are peaked about a rapidity intermediate between the participant  $y_{c.m.}^{geom}$  and  $y_{c.m.}^{NN}$ . The observed ratio of  $K^+/\pi^+$  is considerably enhanced compared with ratios observed in similar kinematic regions in  $p$ - $p$  collisions.

$$dN/dy \propto (x^{-2} + x^{-1} + 0.5)\exp(-x), \quad (1)$$

with  $x = (m_0/T)\cosh(y - y_0)$ , where  $m_0$  is the rest mass of the emitted particle and  $T$  is the temperature of the source with rapidity  $y_0$ . A satisfactory fit with Eq. (1) for the pion data in Fig. 3 is possible for  $y_0 = 1.46$  and any  $T > 125$  MeV. The solid curve in Fig. 3 is a fit to  $dN/dy$  for the pion data with  $T = 125$  MeV, consistent<sup>15</sup> with the measured values of  $T_B$  shown in Fig. 2.

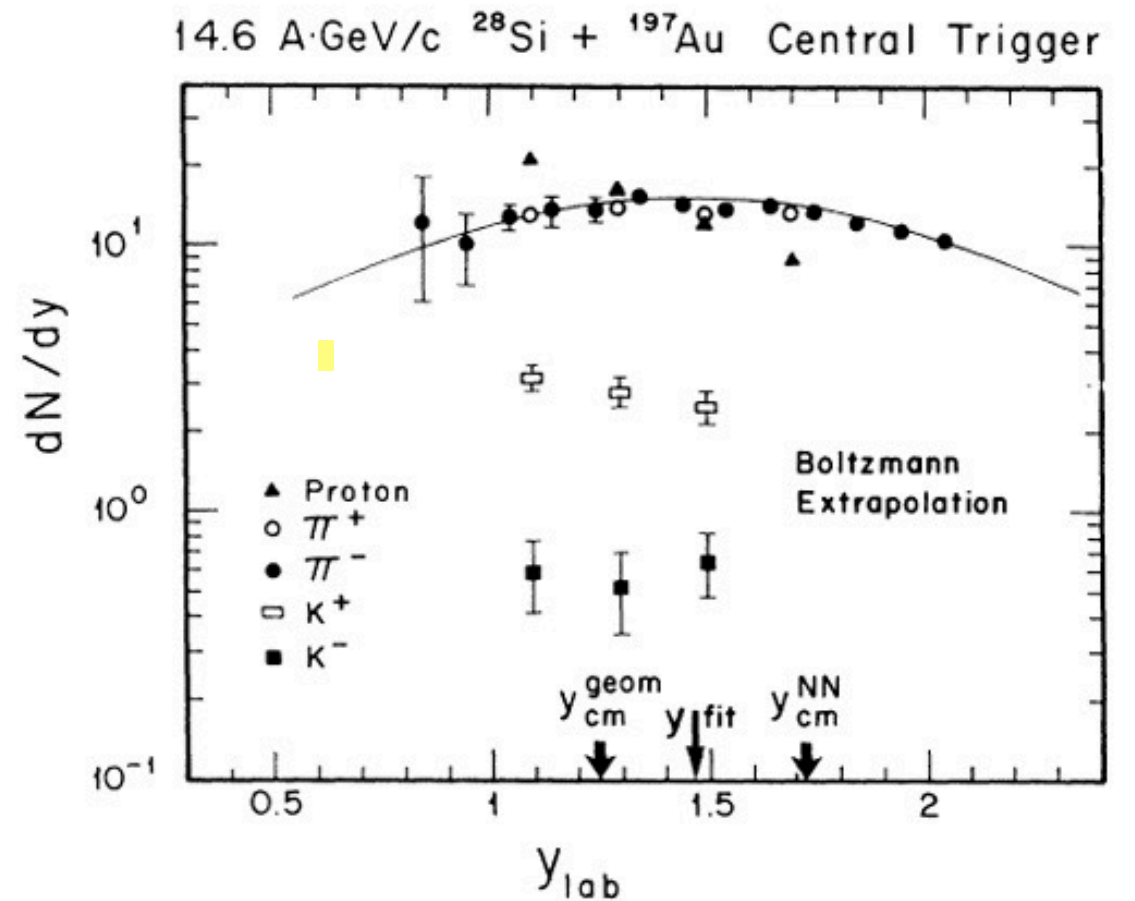


FIG. 3. Rapidity distributions  $dN/dy$  per trigger. The errors shown are relative errors only; there is an overall uncertainty of  $\pm 10\%$  due to the absolute normalization. The solid curve shows the fit with Eq. (1), for a source located at  $y_{fit} = 1.46$  and  $T = 125$  MeV.

**Particle production at high baryon density in central Au+Au reactions at 11.6A GeV/c**

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Semi-inclusive proton and pion distributions from central Au+Au reactions at 11.6A GeV/c have been measured. The proton rapidity distribution shows significantly increased stopping compared to lighter systems, providing strong evidence for the formation of a state of matter with baryon density substantially greater than normal nuclear matter. Unlike reactions at this energy induced by lighter heavy ions, at low  $m_t - m_0$  the proton invariant spectra deviate from a single exponential shape and become flatter, while  $\pi^-$  spectra are found to rise faster than the  $\pi^+$  spectra. [S0556-2813(98)50402-5]

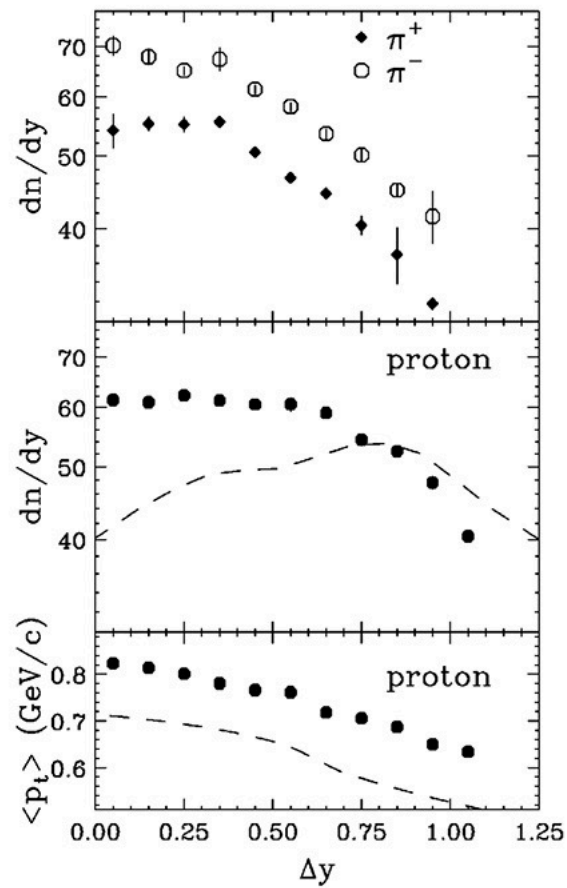


FIG. 3. Rapidity distribution of  $dn/dy$  (upper and middle panels) and mean transverse momentum (lower panel) for pions and protons in central Au+Au reactions, where  $\Delta y$  is the absolute difference of the measured rapidity of the spectra from the central rapidity  $y_{nn}=1.6$ . The open circles in the figure are for  $\pi^-$ , and solid squares for  $\pi^+$ . Protons are plotted with solid round points. For comparison, the dotted lines are for protons in central Si+Al reactions at 14.6A GeV/c. (The  $dn/dy$  for Si+Al is scaled by factor of  $197/27=7.3$ , the mass ratio of the two reactions.) The error bars are statistical only, either shown or smaller than the data points.

In summary, spectra are measured for the identified hadrons in central Au+Au reactions at 11.6A GeV/c. Unlike the Si+Al results, the rapidity distribution for protons has a maximum around midrapidity, indicating a large degree of stopping and hence strong evidence for high baryon density. Model calculations indicate that the density is increased by about a factor of about 8, and that the lifetime of the high density region is correspondingly longer. It is also found that the proton transverse mass spectra are considerably flatter in central rapidities and at low  $m_t$  than in other reactions using lighter ions. This nonexponential shape and large mean  $p_t$  for protons may be evidence for collective flow but further analysis of the deuteron and triton spectra is needed to confirm this conclusion. The much more pronounced rise in the  $\pi^-$  spectra than in  $\pi^+$  at low  $m_t$  suggests the presence of a large final-state Coulomb interaction.



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