

Figure 1. The $^{12}\text{C}(\vec{p},n)$ asymmetry at $E_p = 160$ MeV as a function of momentum transfer. The curve labeled L-F is the prediction of the Love-Franey¹⁾ 140 MeV t-matrix. The curve labeled PW is the prediction of the Picklesimer-Walker²⁾ t-matrix.

is continuing on the $^{13}\text{C}(\vec{p},n)$ and $^{14}\text{C}(\vec{p},n)$ asymmetries and the results will be compared to the predictions of the distorted-wave impulse approximation.

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THE (p,n) REACTION AT INTERMEDIATE ENERGIES WITH THE
ISOTOPES OF OXYGEN ($^{16,17,18}\text{O}$) AND ^9Be
AS PART OF A UNIFIED APPROACH TO THE STUDY OF THESE NUCLEI

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Neutron energy spectra were measured and angular distributions extracted for various final states for the $^{16}\text{O}(p,n)^{16}\text{F}$ reaction at 99.1 MeV and for the $^{16,17,18}\text{O}(p,n)^{16,17,18}\text{F}$ and $^9\text{Be}(p,n)^9\text{B}$ reactions at 135 MeV. The neutron energy spectra at four angles are shown in Fig. 1 for the $^{16}\text{O}(p,n)^{16}\text{F}$ reaction at 99.1 and 135 MeV (plotted as excitation energy in the residual nucleus). The measurements were performed with a BeO target; the 135 MeV results include a $^9\text{Be}(p,n)^9\text{B}$

subtraction (channel-by-channel in the time-of-flight spectra). Angular distributions for eleven states in ^{16}F were extracted and compared with DWBA calculations in order to determine the ℓ -transfers for the transitions. In Table 1, we compare our results to levels known from the compilation of Ajzenberg-Selove¹⁾ and also to shell-model predictions of Picklesimer and Walker.²⁾ The shell model predictions were used in a PWIA calculation²⁾ with an effective interaction based

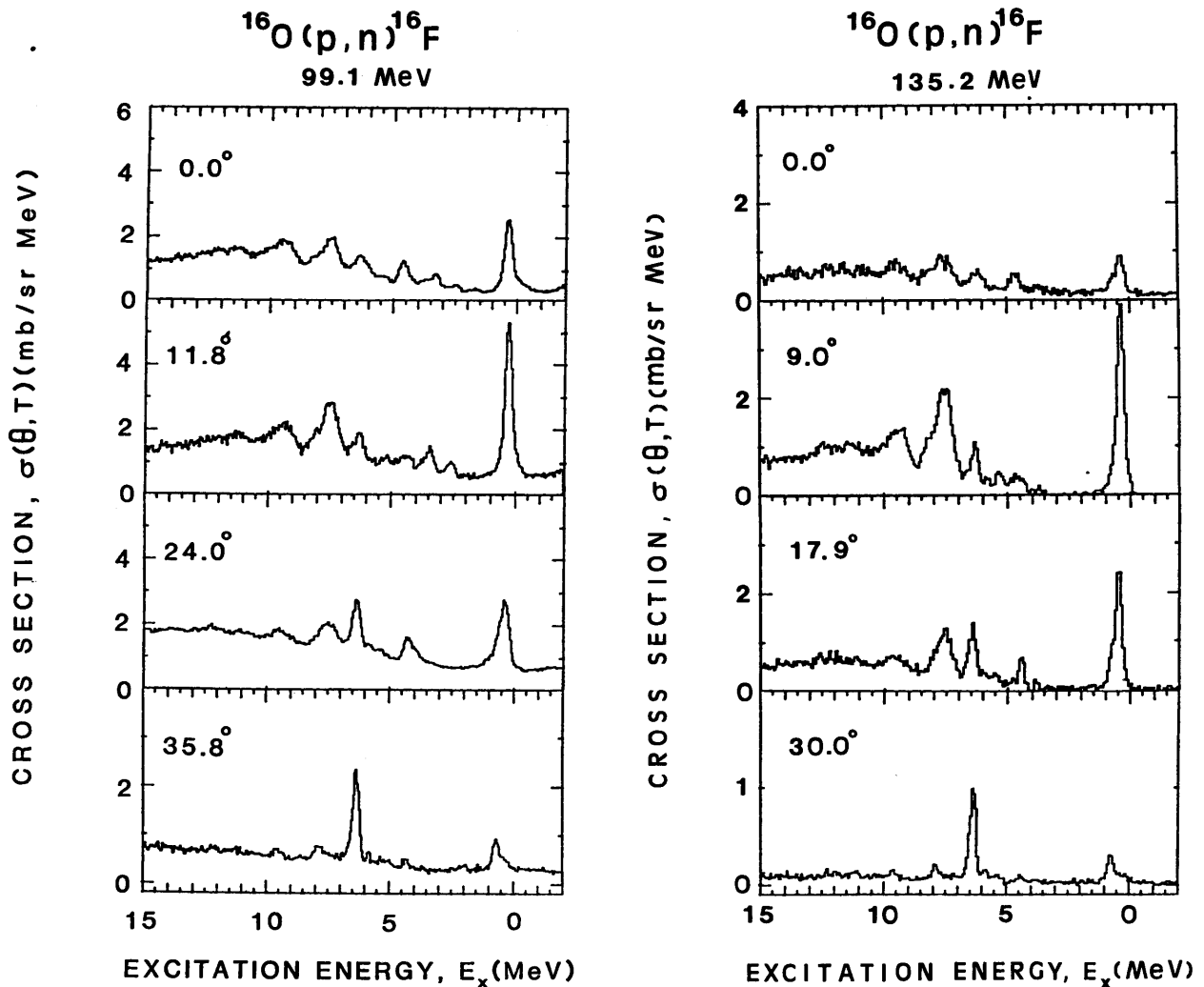


Figure 1. Neutron energy spectra from the $^{16}\text{O}(p,n)^{16}\text{F}$ reaction at (a) 99.1 MeV and (b) 135.2 MeV.

on free nucleon-nucleon scattering parameters in order to predict the angular distributions and relative strengths of the various states. Picklesimer and Walker predict that five states (2^- , 3^- , 3^+ , 4^- , 2^-) are strongly excited. We observe each of these states. Note that these states include the 4^- "stretched" state at $E_x = 6.37$ MeV. Previously,³⁾ we presented the angular distribution for this state as obtained from the 99.1 MeV experiment.

We note that the 2^- states predicted by Picklesimer and Walker include the giant magnetic

quadrupole ($M2$) strength. The excitation energy of 7.6 MeV for the strongly excited state with a $\Delta l = 1$ angular distribution agrees with the shell-model prediction of 7.4 MeV and with the observation by Sick et al.⁴⁾ of 20.4 MeV for the giant $M2$ resonance in $^{16}\text{O}(e,e')$. (Excitation energies in ^{16}F are about 12.6 MeV lower than in ^{16}O as seen by the known excitation energies of the $T = 1$, 4^- stretched state of 18.98 and 6.37 MeV in ^{16}O and ^{16}F , respectively.)

In addition to the strongly excited states predicted by Picklesimer and Walker, we see also

Table 1. Energy Levels of ^{16}F

Compilation ¹⁾		Picklesimer & Walker ²⁾		$^{16}\text{O}(p,n)^{16}\text{F}$ KSU-IUCF		Tentative Assignment
E_x	J^π	E_x	J^π	E_x	$\Delta\lambda$	
0	(1) ⁻	0.0	2 ⁻			
0.19	(0)	0.0	3 ⁻			
0.42	(2) ⁻			0.4	1	2 ⁻
0.72	(3) ⁻	0.7	1 ⁻	0.7	2 or 3	3 ⁻
3.76	1 ⁺			3.76	0	1 ⁺
3.87	(2) ⁺					
4.37				4.35	2	3 ⁺
4.65	1 ⁺			4.65	0	1 ⁺
4.97						
		5.0	3 ⁺			
5.26						
5.39						
5.45						
5.53						
5.84						
				5.93	3	4 ⁻
6.23				6.23	0	1 ⁺
6.37		6.4	4 ⁻	6.37	3	4 ⁻
6.68						
7.11						
		7.4	2 ⁻	7.6	1	2 ⁻
7.73						
				9.4	1	1 ⁻
				11.5	1	1 ⁻

three states with $\Delta\lambda = 0$ at $E_x = 3.76, 4.65,$ and 6.23 MeV. These states are identified to be the analogs of the three M1 (1⁺) states seen in $^{16}\text{O}(e,e')$ at $E_x = 16.22, 17.14,$ and 18.80 MeV by Friebel et al.⁵⁾ Since M1 transitions would not be possible for a perfect closed-shell ^{16}O nucleus, the observations of the M1 states provide direct evidence of ground-state correlations.

We identify also states at $E_x = 9.4$ and 11.5 MeV to be analogs of the known¹⁾ giant dipole resonance (GDR) in ^{16}O seen with two major components at 22 and 24 MeV. Because the $^{16}\text{O}(p,n)^{16}\text{F}$ energy spectra agree well in shape with photonuclear cross section excitation functions of the GDR in ^{16}O , we identify these states to be predominately E1 with $J^\pi = 1^-$.

Finally, we note that we see a weakly-excited state at $E_x = 5.93$ MeV with an angular distribution similar to that observed for the strong 4⁻ state at 6.37 MeV. This state is likely the analog of the state recently seen⁶⁾ at $E_x = 18.6$ MeV in ^{16}O by (e,e')

scattering and tentatively identified to have $J^\pi = 4^-$ also. Since this state is excited with only about 8% of the strength of the 4⁻ stretched state, this state likely has a small lp-lh component.

The fact that comparisons between results seen in $^{16}\text{O}(e,e')^{16}\text{O}$ and $^{16}\text{O}(p,n)^{16}\text{F}$ are remarkably good is evidence that the (p,n) reaction at intermediate energies predominantly excites states with a one-step reaction mechanism. Additional evidence comes from the fact that all of the states seen in ^{16}F via the (p,n) reaction are either predicted by a simple shell-model calculation or are the analogs of known giant resonances (M1, M2, or E1 states) in ^{16}O .

The measurements performed for the $^{17}\text{O}(p,n)^{17}\text{F}$ and $^{18}\text{O}(p,n)^{18}\text{F}$ reactions at 135 MeV are being analyzed. Preliminary (on-line) results show that the $^{17}\text{O}(p,n)^{17}\text{F}$ (g.s) reaction, which is the analog-state transition, can be followed out to about 60°. The angular distribution reveals regions characterized by the $\Delta J = 1, 3$ and 5 parts of the transition. The $^{18}\text{O}(p,n)^{18}\text{F}$ spectra reveal considerable M1 strength at forward angles and a 5⁺ stretched state of the 0⁺ $\hbar\omega$ type⁷⁾ at wide angles.

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ANALYZING POWER MEASUREMENTS FOR (\vec{p},n) REACTIONS

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The first measurements of neutron analyzing powers were performed in November 1980 with 135 MeV polarized protons incident on a ${}^9\text{Be}{}^{16}\text{O}$ target. These measurements are part of a planned series of experiments to study analyzing powers from the (\vec{p},n) reaction at intermediate energies. The neutron detectors in the 0° , 24° , and 45° stations each consisted of two neutron counters with combined frontal areas of 0.5, 1.0, and 1.5 m^2 , respectively. Intermediate angles and angles out to 69° were obtained by deflecting the incident proton beam at the target with the beam-swinger facility. The neutron flight-paths were 90.9, 90.8, and 74.4 m, respectively. The energy resolution for 115 MeV neutrons was about 320 keV for the detectors in the 0° and 24° stations and about 415 keV for the detector in the 45° station.

On-line (preliminary) results for the ${}^{16}\text{O}(\vec{p},n){}^{16}\text{F}$ ($4^-; 6.37\text{ MeV}$) reaction are presented in Fig. 1. This ($T = 1$) 4^- state is the analog of the known¹⁾ 4^- state at $E_x = 18.98\text{ MeV}$ in ${}^{16}\text{O}$. The final state is a so-called "stretched" state believed²⁾ to be dominated by the simple one-particle, one-hole configuration ($\pi d_{5/2}, \nu d_{3/2}^{-1}$). The analyzing power

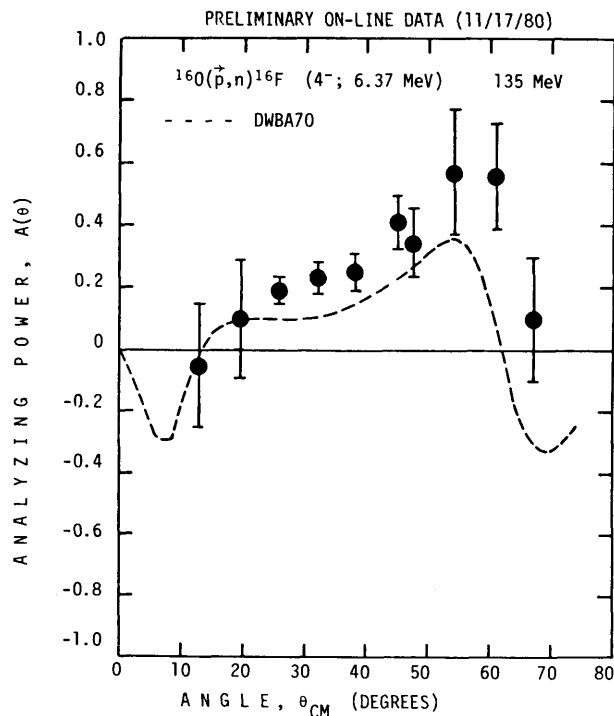


Figure 1. Angular distribution of the analyzing power for the ${}^{16}\text{O}(\vec{p},n){}^{16}\text{F}$ ($4^-; 6.37\text{ MeV}$) reaction at 135 MeV. The dashed line is a DWBA70 calculation with the effective interaction of Love (1980).

for such an unnatural-parity, stretched-state transition is sensitive to the interference between three terms in the nucleon-nucleon effective interaction, viz., the isovector tensor term, the isovector