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# **LEP** Inauguration

# First physics from LEP – see page 18

On 13 November, Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers from CERN's 14 Member States, together with more than a thousand invited guests, attended the inauguration ceremony of LEP, CERN's new 27-kilometre electronpositron collider. The event reflected CERN's pride in the construction and now extremely successful operation of the world's largest scientific machine and such a fine example of international collaboration. A full report on the event will feature in the next issue.

CERN Director General Carlo Rubbia addresses the LEP inauguration ceremony on 13 November. Speeches also came from King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden, President of the Swiss Confederation Jean-Pascal Delamuraz and French President François Mitterrand. The representatives of CERN's 14 Member States then symbolically signed a document 'opening up the era of scientific experimentation with the LEP collider'.

(Photo CERN)



# The LHC road at CERN

Well before the successful completion of the LEP project at CERN, thinking on future options for the Laboratory had begun to take shape, being ultimately spearheaded by the Long Range Planning Committee chaired by Carlo Rubbia, now Director General.

To explore the 1 TeV (1000 GeV) energy scale where fundamental particle interactions should encounter new conditions, two major routes were proposed – a high magnetic field proton collider in the LEP tunnel, dubbed LHC for Large Hadron Collider, and the CERN Linear Collider (CLIC) to supply beams of electrons and positrons.

Two years down the line, exploratory studies have shown that while CLIC remains a valid longterm goal, LHC appears as the most cost-effective way for CERN to enter the 1 TeV arena. At these energies, the 'weak' nuclear force is expected to become powerful enough to match its electromagnetic partner, opening the door to the underlying symmetry breaking mechanism, thought to be due to a 'Higgs' particle (July/August page 1), which makes the two phenomena look so different at lower energies.

High-field superconducting magnet prototype work (September, page 5) demonstrates that a 'twoin-one' design supplying the 10 tesla fields needed to handle LHC's 8 TeV proton beams (collision energy 16 TeV) is a practical proposition.

By compressing the colliding proton beams as tightly as possible, by increasing both the number of proton bunches and the number of protons in each bunch, LHC's design luminosity (a measure of the collision rate) has been uprated from the  $1.4 \times 10^{33}$  per sq cm per s level initially foreseen to as high as  $4 \times 10^{34}$ , providing a powerful lever arm for new physics.

The machine energy is optimal to explore the 100 - 1000 GeV energy domain where new phenomena should shed light on the origin of mass in the electroweak picture, where the steady upward path of mass limits for the so far unseen sixth ('top') quark has led to a rethink on the expected decay patterns of the Higgs. The missing particle could be picked up through a characteristic decay into two Z particles, giving a readily detectable signature. While such a search would exploit to the full LHC's high collision rate, less rare phenomena could be studied at lower luminosity beam crossing points.

As well as being well suited to this emerging pattern of physics at the new energy frontiers, LHC also capitalizes on both the LEP tunnel and CERN's unrivalled expertise in proton accelerator know-how. LHC has other trump cards too. Able to handle heavy ions as well as protons, LHC would provide a new arena to explore very high concentrations of nuclear energy, recreating more vividly the conditions of the 'Big Bang' which spawned the Universe. With LHC's proton rings rubbing shoulders with LEP, a new energy range for electron-proton collisions would open up, extending the pioneer studies shortly to begin at the new HERA collider at the German DESY Laboratory in Hamburg.

Although its tunnel is ready and waiting, LHC would cost about as much as LEP itself, the price tag being dominated by the state-ofthe-art superconducting magnets.

Research and development work for these magnets is well advanced, with firms and research Laboratories in Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain, Switzerland and the United Kingdom involved. CERN's master plan foresees production of series magnets getting underway in 1992, with the machine being commissioned in 1996-7.

The coming year will see the refinement of ongoing R and D work and its extension into the detector technology sector to meet the stringent demands of the LHC environment, particularly for fast electronics and on-line data processing (see page 9). In parallel, the machine design will be optimized through close dialogue between accelerator physicists and experimenters.

An artist's impression of the LHC superconducting proton collider ring installed above the existing LEP electron-positron collider.





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# Laying the keel



The start of construction of the 87kilometre US Superconducting Supercollider (SSC) was celebrated in Dallas at the beginning of October with a Texas-style meeting on SSC physics and experiments. Chris Quigg described it as 'laying the keel of a new vessel of discovery'. The vessel is scheduled to make its maiden voyage with 20 TeV (20,000 GeV) proton beams in 1998.

In fiscal year 1990, which began on 1 October, \$135 million out of \$225 million for the SSC project is allocated to the start of construction. The State of Texas has pledged a further \$90 million for the same year, much of which will be used for the first buildings on the Laboratory site in Ellis County.

The precise location of the Collider and the Laboratory campus areas (known as the SSC 'footprint') has been decided and acquisition of the land is starting. Over 400 have already joined the staff of the new Laboratory and the complement will rise to over a thousand in the coming year.

There is great excitement in the US particle physics community at the start of SSC construction, which will open up the behaviour of the constituent particles of matter at the TeV (1000 GeV) energy scale.

At these TeV energies the electromagnetic and 'weak' nuclear forces become of comparable strength, and the underlying 'symmetry breaking' mechanism, responsible for the different behaviour of the two forces at lower energies, should be revealed.

This symmetry breaking provides particle masses – the photon carrier of the electromagnetic force having no mass while the W and Z carriers of the weak force are very heavy. The favoured theoretical



'Things are going tremendously well' ... Roy Schwitters, Director of the SSC Laboratory, speaking at the Dallas meeting in October as the 87-kilometre Collider moves into its construction phase.

#### (Photos SSC, Cliff Roe)

mechanism involves one or more 'Higgs' particles (July/August, page 1). Higgs particles should be found at the 1 TeV mass region or (even more intriguingly) some alternative phenomenon should appear.

Of course the electroweak symmetry breaking and the Higgs mechanism are not the only physics questions which can be addressed at the SSC or the proposed Large Hadron Collider at CERN (see page 1). The colliding proton beams will probe distances down to  $10^{-17}$  cm and will recreate conditions  $10^{-14}$ second into the 'Big Bang' creation of the Universe. Steve Weinberg maintained 'the funding of the SSC guarantees that the wonderful story of our understanding of nature has not come to an end'. Evolving the experimental programme

Thinking about how to explore the physics potential opened up by the SSC has been underway ever since the project was first mooted in 1982. Schematic detector designs by informal collaborations, both for general purpose and specialized experiments, have identified the many areas of detector technology where abilities have to be extended to cope with the energies and rates which will be experienced at the new machine. A range of physics interests and detector possibilities were presented in sessions organized by the Users Organization for the SSC (UOSSC).

General-purpose schemes include SDE (Solenoid Detector Experiment), FAST (Fibre and Scintillator Technology), L\* (building on the L3 experience at LEP), and two ideas under study in Japan – ACS



(Air Cored Solenoid) and HCD (Hermetic Collider Detector). More specific studies could be confronted with EMPACT (a non-magnetic detector), BCD (Bottom Collider Detector for a thorough study of CP violation in beauty-pair production) and FTD (Fast Triggering Detector) evolving from experience at Fermilab.

A detector research and development programme, guided by an international advisory committee chaired by H.H. Williams, has been underway for the past two years to confront the problems of very high radiation environments, high event rates and very low signal-to-noise ratios. Silicon detectors, new scintillators, liquid calorimeters, large superconducting magnets, readout mechanisms, parallel processing, data recording systems, etc ... are under development (though more funds may be needed to push these programmes).

The Laboratory is already preparing for selection of the first round of experiments because of the long lead-time in designing and building the huge detectors to be ready for first collisions in 1998. The selection will also be important input for collider construction with the building of the detector halls and decisions on test beams. It is hoped to have a broad programme in place for start-up of the machine, with at least one general purpose detector and some specialized detectors. A bypass configuration of the collision regions will allow staging of the detectors, so that assembly or upgrading could continue without interfering with collider operation.

The particle physics community has been invited to put forward 'Expressions of Interest' for SSC experiments by 25 May next. The format should be somewhere between the traditional short 'Letter of Intent' and a formal proposal. They will be reviewed by a newlyformed Program Advisory Committee, chaired by Jack Sandweiss, which will make recommendations to Laboratory Director Roy SchwitA schematic of the SSC (not to scale) incorporating recent design changes. The sequence now goes: 600 to 1000 MeV negative hydrogen ion linac, 10 GeV low energy booster (LEB), 200 GeV medium energy booster (MEB), 2 TeV superconducting highenergy booster (HEB), 20 TeV Collider 87 kilometres in circumference.

Injection of the counter-rotating proton beams into the Collider is presently planned by inverting the polarity of the superconducting magnets in the HEB. The linac, LEB and MEB will be built on the surface while the HEB and the Collider will be underground. The diamond-shaped bypass configuration of the interaction regions allows an eventual total of eight collision regions for experiments; a ninth could be added diametrically opposed to the injection point.

ters for subsequent Laboratory support en route to the preparation of full proposals by late 1991.

Final approval will follow traditional ICFA guidelines on experimental programmes, in keeping with the SSCL's commitment to being a Laboratory for international science, and will be based on scientific merit, the quality of the proposing collaboration, and the technical and financial viability of the proposal.

#### The Collider design

A number of changes are being studied in moving from the Conceptual Design Report, worked out by the team led by Maury Tigner, to the design specific to the Ellis County site. There is also fresh input from the Laboratory team which will build the machine. Quite a number of machine parameters remain to be decided, which hinders detailed costing and scheduling.

In response to concern about the effects of persistent currents in the superconducting magnets at low fields, when the protons have to be held for some time during beam injection, the injection energy into the Collider will probably be in-



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Diamond-shaped collision regions will make it possible to decouple the detectors from the machine (with the philosophy that it is easier to move the beams than the detectors). Following adjustment of beam switching to direct the protons along the other arm of the diamond, detector construction, maintenance and upgrading could proceed without interfering with machine operation.

More extensive test beam facilities are to be built, receiving protons from both the 200 GeV and the 2 TeV booster injectors.

Care is being taken not to close the door to possible future upgrades of the machine such as luminosity increases beyond the design 10<sup>33</sup> per sq cm per s, ejection of 20 TeV beams, internal targets, polarized proton beams, experiments at the 2 TeV booster, electron-proton collisions ... but these will not be built into the 'baseline design' and cost estimates.

Crucial components of the Collider are the 8000 superconducting dipoles. These magnets are not yet mastered. On the positive side, since the start of the magnet R and D programme four years ago, the performance of the conductor has improved dramatically and the magnets will easily give the 6.6 T field for 20 TeV operation. (Some work is continuing on conductor improvement by further reducing superconducting filament sizes.) The magnets have been demonstrated to be mechanically sound, operating below 4.3 K, producing fields well above 6.6 T, and tolerating greater mechanical forces than at 20 TeV without any problems.

However there is still little knowledge about field characteristics and little data from the fullscale magnets on the problem of persistent currents. The very high standards of reproducibility and reliability required for 8000 magnets are still to be demonstrated. It is planned to build further full-scale magnets at the rate of fifteen per year before launching into industrial production three years from now.

#### Support from Texas

The Texas National Research Laboratory Commission has assigned some \$700 million (from its total of \$1 billion support of the SSC) for civil construction and will finance the building of a magnet development and testing facility next year. It is likely to be located near Waxahachie at the centre of the future Collider ring. The Commission will also finance construction of the central complex on the 'west campus' where the injection system is to be located. Construction of these buildings is scheduled to start early in 1991.

Texan support (about \$175 million) is also earmarked for electrical utilities which will bring SSC power costs to one cent or less per kWh; at this very low price the SSC should be able to operate yearround without straining the budget. The remaining Texan contribution will go into nationwide research projects related to the SSC. A start has been made with the launching of an SSC Fellowship Programme to support twelve young scientists each year in science or technology projects related to the SSC.

The exceptional commitment of the State of Texas to the SSC is in evidence everywhere - from the declarations and lobbying of its most senior representatives, to the large financial support, down to the everyday detail of smoothing the way to bring the Laboratory into being. Behind the support there is an expressed belief in the value of pure research and the value of science education. In the welcoming address at the meeting, Judge Lee Jackson of Dallas County pointed out our understanding and admiration of those who climb Everest 'because it is there'. 'We ought to generate that sort of feeling about pure science,' he added.

The potential of the SSC in stimulating interest in science is among the central aims of the Laboratory:

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Roy Schwitters brought the meeting to a close by inviting all participants to an international conference to be held in Dallas in 1999 featuring the first SSC physics results .

#### By Brian Southworth

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# Working with high collision rates

In its role of monitoring the evolution of particle physics, anticipating needs for new accelerators, and stimulating the development of suitable instrumentation to exploit these new facilities, the European Committee for Future Accelerators (ECFA, appointed by the community of CERN Member States) has recently organized a series of workshops on the possible long-term projects for CERN (see page 1).

With the LHC proton collider for the LEP tunnel emerging as the main contender for immediate consideration, the main aim of a recent ECFA Study Week on 'Instrumentation Technology for High Luminosity Hadron Colliders' was to review progress and to critically evaluate candidate detection techniques and data handling methods for the very high collision rates foreseen for LHC, with luminosities exceeding 10<sup>34</sup> per sq cm per s.

The Study Week was held at Universitat Autonoma in Barcelona from 14-21 September with sponsorship from the university, the CI-CYT of Spain, CERN and the Commission of the European Communities. It had attracted 220 participants including 35 from industry, and good representation from groups planning experiments at the US Superconducting Supercollider (SSC).

The meeting began with a survey of all hadron collider projects approved or under discussion. High energy proton designs now have to take account of synchrotron radiation, hitherto the concern only of electron machine builders. From the presentation of G. Brianti, it is clear that CERN has done its LHC homework and is ready for a project definition.

I. Hinchliffe underlined physics issues and the energy-luminosity trade-off. Related detector require-



ments were reviewed by P. Jenni (calorimetry) and D. Saxon (tracking). The UA2 calorimetry experience is promising, however vertex measurements for an event-by-event identification of such processes as heavy quark production appears to be very difficult.

Illustrating SSC preparations, B. Pope and N. Di Giacomo covered the EMPACT (air core toroid) detector, where industry is already involved. S. Ting sketched how one of the LEP detectors might be adapted for LHC running.

Sessions covered the whole spectrum of instrumentation. Scintillating fibres are looking good, having proved their worth in the UA2 experiment at CERN's protonantiproton collider for tracking and Scintillating fibres are the subject of increasing attention in the search for new detector techniques. This CCD microphotograph shows a bundle of 30-micron diameter fibres with only the central fibre illuminated and low intensity scattered light in the neighbouring fibres. Part of the Italianfunded LAA scheme, this development work aims at precision particle tracking. Pioneer work in the use of fibres for tracking was carried out at the UA2 experiment at CERN's proton-antiproton collider (June 1987, page 9).

in a preconverter to an electromagnetic calorimeter. R&D on scintillating fibres is one of the main lines of the Italian-funded LAA project at CERN. PMP has been successfully explored as a fibre dopant. 3HF fibres appear sufficiently radiationresistant for LHC central tracking and calorimetry. Very thin fibres are now available in multibundles



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half a millimetre across from Kyowa in Japan. Dopant level can be adjusted to minimize crosstalk. The LAA group is investigating a promising idea where position as well as timing information can be preserved using a new type of delay tube attached to an image intensifier.

A lively session on silicon strip and pad detectors showed that development of more radiation-resistant silicon diodes and other structures is underway at several centres. A double-sided strip detector is being developed for the Aleph experiment at CERN, while silicon drift and pixel detectors are also progressing. Proposals have been tabled for SSC central tracking and some calorimetry using available silicon techniques. However it could be difficult to reconcile LHC's tight construction schedule with the relatively long factory turnround times for new silicon or gallium arsenide solutions. Of particular interest is the construction of large integrated readout structures on the detectors themselves, for example using full wafers.

Traditional drift chamber structures are not suitable for LHC's high luminosity conditions, but F. Sauli's menu included maccheroni, cannelloni or fettuccine, all with attractive geometrical features including small drift distance and isolated anode readout where the death of a single cell is not a disaster. The 'fettuccine' design with strip electrodes deposited on a glass substrate looks especially interesting. Radiation damage is becoming better understood.

With no surfaces that can be damaged, recyclable liquids are good candidates for the difficult radiation conditions of forward detectors. The cheapest option, liquid argon, has relatively slow response requir-



ing long gating times. Other noble liquids such as xenon and krypton are faster, and, provided bulk supplies can be tapped at reasonable prices, would be an attractive proposition. Liquid xenon chambers have been studied recently because of their promise for electron/pion discrimination using both light and ionization signals. Room-temperature liquids provide another line of attack.

Among crystalline materials, BGO, barium fluoride and pure cesium iodide are the most interesting, however their radiation resistance at LHC levels is not known. New materials may yet appear, while radiation resistance, light sensors and low noise analog circuits require further investigation.

'Straw' proportional chambers with multilayer polypropylene tubes around a single wire would be an effective electron identifier with good position resolution as well. Polyethylene foam between layers could enhance the transition radiation effect.

A high proportion of the investment in a future collider experiment goes into front-end electronics, triggering and data acquisition systems. Here sophisticated solutions from industry can be adapted. RISC computers may give enough computing power (1000 VAX Mips), and improved magnetic storage media could increase the data storage capacity by another factor of 100. More of a worry are the frontend electronics requirements, data transfer from the detectors to the controls, and the development of standard acquisition systems. As recently-appointed ECFA Chairman J.E. Augustin of Orsay pointed out in his summary, electronics and data acquisition may well turn out to be the cornerstone of future systems, with development work warranting correspondingly high priority.

Industry took a very active part

# Stanford survives 7.1 shock

in the Study Week, with some 30 companies represented. Speakers included delegates from the Norwegian Centre for Industrial Research and from Micron, UK, covering silicon research, ABB-HAFO covering manufacture of radiationresistant analog chips, Hamamatsu, Japan, with new photonic detectors, BDH, UK, with crystal fabrication, Schott, West Germany, with scintillating glass and fibres, and Bofors, Sweden, with work for the Delphi experiment at CERN. M. Lea from Brunel University and ASPEX, UK, reviewed the rapid evolution of embedded parallel structures. S.-O. Flycht of Philips in the Netherlands, one of the most faithful participants from industry to meetings of this type, surveyed how fruitful contacts with industry had developed. Finland too was an interesting case history.

Representing the Commission of the European Communities, C. White explained the procedures for requesting support. This funding could go on to become a very important stimulus for ongoing industrial cooperation.

The rapid progress of the past two years boosts confidence for building LHC detectors to contend with the proposed high collision rates. When more effort becomes available after the construction and commissioning of the LEP detectors at CERN, this R&D work should not only continue but expand, capitalizing on the head start given by the Italian-funded LAA programme.

From Enrique Fernandez and Goran Jarlskog

Although relatively near the epicentre of the San Francisco earthquake, the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC) suffered minimal damage. The Monday morning of 16 October looked like the start of a quiet week at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC). After a successful six-month physics run, the SLC Stanford Linear Collider was shut down to begin scheduled upgrades and the installation of two vertex detectors for the Mark II detector. Then at 5.04 p.m. the next day, the Earth's crust had had enough. A major earthquake measuring 7.1 on the Richter scale rocked the San Francisco Bay Area from an epicentre along the wicked San Andreas Fault in the Southern Santa Cruz mountains.

Advancing northwards along the San Francisco peninsula at speeds up to three kilometres per second, the mighty shock waves radiated outwards, ripping through the bedrock of 25 million-year-old Miocene sandstone on which SLAC rests, shaking the Laboratory with accelerations of up to a third of that induced by gravity on the Earth's surface. The violent shudder lasted for twenty seconds.

People dashed for doors or dived under desks to avoid the hail



of ceiling tiles, books and other falling objects. Physicists standing on one of the teetering endcaps of the SLD detector (being prepared for its SLC career) clung to its railing, hoping the upright iron slab would not topple onto the concrete floor fifty feet below. A hapless technician suspended in a bucket from the overhead crane swung helplessly to and fro above the gaping pit as the thousand-ton crane slid back and forth in its tracks.

Minutes later, after the main jolt had passed but the Laboratory still quivered in the numerous aftershocks, staff began to look at the damage. Miraculously, nobody was hurt. Primary damage to buildings and equipment seemed relatively minor – a few wall cracks, some minor leaks, a vacuum chamber torn open at its seams, broken transformers, ground faults in magnets and power supplies.

The lack of serious damage testified to the foresight in building SLAC according to stringent standards which far exceeded those of local building codes, and to the vigilant watchdog work of the Earthquake Safety Committee. For years its members had gained in unpopularity by badgering all and sundry to bolt cabinets to walls and secure anything that could topple. Overnight they became heroes.

As people looked more carefully, more secondary damage was uncovered. Most worrisome for the immediate future of SLAC were the small misalignments in the linear accelerator waveguide and of the magnets in the SLC arcs. In his 'State of SLAC' talk the following Monday, Director Burton Richter said these problems would delay the SLC schedule by at least a week and perhaps up to three months. Using a laser aimed down the aluminium tube supporting the twomile copper waveguide of the main linear accelerator, surveyors found a one-centimetre dip where the machine had been built on landfill rather than sandstone. However settling had happened before, and good solutions had been found. More problematical were small shifts of the thousand or so magnets used to bend and guide electrons and positrons through the SLC arcs. Getting these magnets properly positioned in the first place had been no easy task, and realignment would not be much easier.

The two SLC detectors survived with only minor damage. Mark II developed a water leak in a heat shield, and bearings were damaged in the structure supporting its endcaps. Most impressive was how SLD survived, even though only partially assembled. Its endcaps swayed but did not topple; its 600-ton liquid-argon calorimeter rocked inside its enormous dewar, but four huge 'earthquake snubbers' at the ends worked as designed and damped out the vibrations.

While SLAC was lucky to have avoided the devastation that hit the rest of the Bay Area in the Great Quake of 1989 – the most destructive to hit the US since 1906 – it reaped the benefits of years of foresight and planning for just such an eventuality.

From Michael Riordan

# Applying the accelerator

Originally developed as tools for frontier physics, particle accelerators provide valuable spinoff benefits in applied research and technology.

These accelerator applications are the subject of a biennial meeting in Denton, Texas, but the increasing activity in this field resulted this year (5-9 September) in the first European Conference on Accelerators in Applied Research and Technology, organized by K. Bethge of Frankfurt's Goethe University.

The meeting reflected a wide range of applications – ion beam analysis, exploitation of nuclear microbeams, accelerator mass spectrometry, applications of photonuclear reactions, ion beam processing, synchrotron radiation for semiconductor technology, specialized technology,.... Even so, an equally wide range of topics could not be covered, including radiation therapy and ion beam surgery, radiation processing of food and polymers, waste sterilization and pollution reduction, mineral prospecting, explosive detection,....

#### Ion beam analysis

lon beams are used to analyse elemental composition in many different research fields (materials science, metallurgy, geology, biology, medicine, archaeology, art,....). The main techniques used are -Rutherford Backscattering (RBS), Proton-Induced X-ray Emission (PIXE), Charged Particle Activation Analysis (CPAA) or Nuclear Reaction Analysis (NRA), Secondary Ionization Mass Spectrometry (SIMS), Particle Desorption Mass Spectrometry (PDMS), and Extended X-ray Absorption Fine Structure (EXAFS) using synchrotron radiation.

Many of these techniques are now well established and have their own tightly knit communities. NRA, well suited to light elements in heavy substrates (metals), is emerging in metallurgy and is being used particularly in studying the new generation of high-temperature superconductors, revealing what a sample really is, rather than what it was intended to be before its constituents were made to react.

CPAA is useful for ultra-low concentrations and in wear studies. Applicable to most elements, it is sensitive down to one part per billion (10<sup>-9</sup>). A range of ion energies (1-45 MeV) probes depths ranging from microns to millimetres. In wear studies, a thin surface layer is activated, and the consequent drop in activity reflects the underlying wear process. An example is the effect of acid-alkali level on corrosion in nuclear reactor materials.

De loriginal à l'imprimé...

## Tout est question de fidélité.

Les techniques changent. Les hommes aussi. Seul demeure l'amour du métier et du travail bien fait. Aujourd'hui, les exigences en matière d'impression n'ont jamais été aussi élevées. Les PCL sont là pour vous le prouver. Derrière les machines vous attendent des hommes qui ont déjà choisi d'imprimer avec les moyens de demain.



La qualité qui communique

Presses Centrales Lausanne SA 7, rue de Genève 1002 Lausanne Tél. 021/20 59 01 Téléfax 021/20 59 50 lon implantation is now widely used to improve the surface properties of tool and machine components.

#### (Photo Leybold AG)

#### Nuclear microbeams

Scanning by spot-size ion beams has transformed the PIXE technique from an analytical tool into an imaging device to map the distribution of elements – a veritable nuclear 'microscope'.

The resulting element maps, reminiscent of the structure revealed by optical or electron microscopy, are of particular appeal to biologists or medical specialists more used to images than to spectral profiles.

The technique uses a 2 to 4 MeV accelerator (usually a tandem Van de Graaff), a probe (focussing quadrupoles, scanning coils and collimators), a detector and a data acquisition/processing package.

Recent advances have reduced the spot size to a few microns, however resolution (depending on the spot size) has to be reconciled with sensitivity, requiring bright sources (but not so bright as to destroy the sample!).

This technique is finding increasing use. Geoscience applications include element zoning in minerals, inclusion composition, and grain boundary analysis. Its power in life sciences has been vividly demonstrated by studies on Alzheimer's disease which show that the characteristic senile plaques in the brain contain large proportions of inorganic elements such as aluminium, silicon, titanium or iron. Meteorites, pigment layers in old paintings, multilayer semiconductors, welds, corrosion, high temperature superconductors,.... are just a few examples of structure studies with PIXE. Combined with the depth profile given by RBS (Rutherford Back-Scattering), a full three-dimensional element distribution can be mapped.



Accelerator mass spectrometry (AMS)

While in ion beam analysis the accelerator's beam bombards the sample and a detector picks up the results of the induced atomic or nuclear processes, in accelerator mass spectrometry a sample is ionized, accelerated and analysed directly, the sensitivity being limited by the measuring time.

Applications are again abundant – archaeology, art, paleoanthropology, geology, paleoclimatology, extraterrestrial minerology, biology,....

AMS is used in the majority of radiocarbon dating measurements, giving a much greater sensitivity than the more traditional method of counting the beta decays of carbon-14. The recent corroboration by three Laboratories (Arizona, Oxford and Zurich) of the age of the Turin shroud based on milligram samples is a case in point.

AMS is also a useful monitoring

procedure in the semiconductor industry, where device performance can be easily degraded by source impurities. AMS can give a hundredfold better sensitivity than conventional SIMS (Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometry) analysis.

Application of photonuclear reactions

Sufficiently energetic photons (above 5 MeV) give a variety of useful nuclear reactions. The result of bremsstrahlung from electrons passing through a heavy metal, these photons are produced more efficiently at higher electron energies, the conversion rate increasing tenfold from 5 MeV to 70 MeV.

In Photonuclear Transmutation Doping (PTD) of semiconductors, silicon-30 can be produced in phosphorus-31, the subsequent beta-emission giving an n-type doped material, while silicon-28 can produce aluminium-27, a ptype dopant. Electron micrograph of an IBM computer chip made using X-ray beams from the US National Synchrotron Light Source at Brookhaven. The metal lines are less than a micron across.

Other potential PTD applications include fission product 'incineration', where long-lived dangerous fission products such as strontium-90 (mean life 28 years) could be converted into shorter-lived isotopes (in this case strontium-89, with a lifetime of only 50 days). However this would need extremely high photon fluxes, of the order of 10<sup>18</sup> per sq cm per s, and doubts were expressed on the economics of such a proposal.

#### Ion beam processing

Ion beam implantation is now well established in the semiconductor industry. Complementing the 3000 or so centres worldwide concentrating on surface treatment comes now ion beam synthesis, to bury insulators (such as silicon oxide or nitride), conductors (metal silicides or metals) or semiconductors (silicon carbide) inside a silicon substrate.

The choice of energy dictates the implantation depth (100 to 350 keV for the submicron range, several MeV to penetrate to micron depths). High doses ( $10^{17}$  to 3 x  $10^{18}$  ions per sq cm) are needed to create the buried layer. Any resultant defects are removed by annealing at high temperature.

Ion implantation can startlingly change surface properties, tools and components becoming up to a hundred times more wear resistant. With nitrogen ions, this effect is now understood as the formation of coherent precipitates of very finely divided nitrites which pin dislocations and increase resistance to shear stress.

The process can be carried out at low temperature and does not distort components, gives no boundaries liable to move under



stress and/or corrosion, leaves a good surface finish and can be accurately controlled at all stages.

Besides tools, it is also used for engine bearings and turbines in the automotive and aeronautical industries. A related application is ion beam mixing to give increased diffusion of coatings and better adhesion.

Increasing beam intensity from 4 to 40 mA allows larger surfaces to be treated and reduces processing time. A new example is ion processed hip, knee and shoulder joints. However cost limits application to cases where an essential demand for a high quality product makes such meticulous care justifiable.

# Synchrotron radiation in semiconductor technology

The most successful application of all, synchrotron radiation, widely used for structure analysis in many different fields of science, now looks set to assume an additional important role in microlithography for large capacity computer memories.

Smaller spacings (line widths) on mass-produced computer chips could open the door to memory chips holding more than 64 Megabits (October 1988, page 28). For this, pattern definition must reach 0.15 micron, requiring highly parallel radiation sources as at these wavelengths optical lenses are ruled out.

Another example of synchrotron radiation at work is in the micromechanical manufacture of nozzles for uranium isotope separation.

#### Accelerator technology

The first wave of accelerator applications made parasitic use of machines built for fundamental research. Subsequently, dedicated but nevertheless general-purpose machines appeared, such as those used for synchrotron radiation sources.

# Physics for KAON

Now emerging is a new generation of special purpose machines custom-built for a particular field. An example is the Berlin Compact Synchrotron (COSY) optimized for work with high density semiconductor devices. Similar projects are afoot in the US and Japan.

In the field of ion implantation, originally dominated by classical electrostatic machines, there is a call for higher energies and intensities to probe deeper sample layers. With electrostatic machines in the MeV range being cumbersome and of limited intensity, radiofrequency quadrupoles (RFQs), now being increasingly used as ion injectors in physics Laboratories, could fit the bill. While they are compact and easy to operate, they are more difficult to tune and the initial design requires careful attention.

With high energy physics becoming increasingly dominated by large Laboratories using giant accelerators, the accelerator applications field is moving the other way, towards small, specially-designed machines.

#### From Oscar Barbalat



Canadian TRIUMF Laboratory Director Erich Vogt – looking for international partners for the KAON project.

The KAON high intensity beam factory project at the Canadian TRIUMF Laboratory in Vancouver (October, page 9), continues to receive favourable ratings by US nuclear science advisory groups. Only the CEBAF Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility under construction at Newport News, Virginia, and the RHIC heavy ion collider proposal at Brookhaven are accorded higher priority.

Meanwhile to estimate, stimulate and coordinate physics interest the KAON project team has organized a series of international physics workshops, including one at Bad Honnef in Germany earlier this year.

As well as advertizing the advantages of signing up for KAON, these meetings also reflect some of the problem areas of current physics rarely mentioned in the mass meetings which worship the Standard Model.

Aimed to give future European users an opportunity to shape KAON plans, the Bad Honnef meeting also covered the complementary physics offered at the French Saturne Laboratory at Saclay and the COSY cooler/synchrotron project underway at Jülich in Germany.

Half the talks covered possible strong interaction experimental programmes at KAON, with hadron spectroscopy, where both the theoretical and experimental situations are very unclear, dominating the discussions. The experimental state of affairs was covered in four talks. David Bugg proposed a device to provide full angular coverage of strange baryon resonance production, with better statistics than available bubble chamber data.

Suh-Urk Chung discussed past and future experiments in the mass region of the iota/eta(1450). Bill Dunwoodie described the LASS spectrometer experiment, emphasizing that new spectrometers built for this type of work at KAON must, to avoid kinematical gaps that could result in 'false' states, strive for wide angular coverage.

The theory of hadronic systems was discussed by Frank Close, Stephen Godfrey, Piet Mulders, Fred Myhrer and Josef Speth. The predictions of simple quark-based models are quite successful, however some predicted states are not seen at all while others are seen in the wrong place. Godfrey concluded that a lot more experimental information is needed to decide if a state seen experimentally is a predicted exotic (glueball or hybrid).

KAON would contribute significantly to the physics of hypernuclei (including 'nucleons' carrying strangeness). Bob Chrien discussed kaon production in this context, demonstrating its power for testing models of hypernuclei with recent data from Brookhaven. Peter Barnes proposed an apparatus for the study of light hypernuclei and Stephan Paul described the present muddled status of hypernuclei containing sigma particles, and presented an apparatus to study the problem at KAON.

The long mean free path of positive kaons in nuclear matter has lead to expectations of important information on nuclear properties from studies using these particles. Otto Häusser compared this type of experiment to the present nucleon-nucleus program at TRIUMF.

Accelerating polarized (spin oriented) protons to intermediate and high energies is tricky, demanding negotiation of many depolarizing resonances. Alan Krisch indicated a new solution, describing the success of recent preliminary tests of 'Siberian Snakes' at the Indiana Cyclotron (June, page 23), and highlighted the continuing interest of spin-dependent measurements, where in some cases the relevant production rates are extremely small. Andy Miller described an internal target facility for KAON that could achieve luminosities of 10<sup>33</sup>, stressing that such a feature should be supported now if it is not to be 'designed out'.

KAON's intense antiproton beams could be used to create high energy densities inside nuclei, as explained by Bill Gibbs. Exotic atoms and exotic hadron states produced by antiprotons were discussed by Leo Simons and Eberhard Klempt respectively.

Our present understanding of the non-strangeness-changing weak interactions of hadrons is based on high precision experiments which isolate the weak interaction via its characteristic left/right asymmetry signature. Shelley Page described the need for measurements at energies above 5 GeV, concluding that such experiments could be performed with KAON polarized beams.

Definitive detection of any forbidden decays, in particular of kaons, would challenge the Standard Model and indicate new directions. Extensive work on rare kaon decays is underway at several major Laboratories. Doug Bryman showed how higher intensity beams will allow for much greater precision and sensitivity in such experiments.

The proposed KAON Driver ring (October, page 10) could be a very good source of neutrinos, and the physics potential was outlined by Florian Scheck.

In summarizing the meeting, TRIUMF Director Erich Vogt also described how the Canadian Laboratory is pursuing its KAON goal, encouraging international partners to contribute to the construction. The strong interest in KAON within the German community was very apparent at Bad Honnef.

Other meetings in the KAON series have been held at TRIUMF itself and at Montreal in Canada, at the Japanese KEK Laboratory, at Coimbra in Portugal, and most recently in Turin, where a special topic was the possibilities for antiproton facilities. A further meeting planned for Vancouver next summer will aim to catalyse the formation of collaborations to develop experimental proposals and to canvass the requirements for beamline and detector design. Further information from Pat Stewart at TRIUMF (STEWART at TRIUMFCL).

# Around the Laboratories

## CERN First physics from LEP

On 13 October, four days after the end of the first physics run of CERN's new LEP electron-positron collider, all auditorium space and every closed-circuit TV vantage point was taken for presentations by the four experiments – Aleph, Delphi, L3 and Opal.

With good performance from the machine, the experiments had amassed between them over ten thousand Z particles – the electrically neutral carriers of the weak

nuclear force – and physicists were eager to learn the first fruits of the world's largest catch of Zs.

Discovered in the 1983 tour de force at CERN's proton-antiproton collider which resulted in the Nobel prize for Carlo Rubbia and Simon van der Meer, the Z had, until earlier this year, been reserved for the big experiments at the proton-antiproton colliders, first at CERN and then at Fermilab.

With the advent of physics this year at Stanford's SLC linear electron-positron collider, the Mark II detector also joined the action, supplying the first few hundred examples of Zs produced in electronpositron annihilations. After a sweep across the Z region, Mark II's physicists improved on previous measurements of the mass of the particle. From the Z production rate around the peak, they also got an improved limit on the different number of lightweight neutrino types allowed in Nature (November, page 1). These results showed that there was very little room left for a fourth neutrino type to complement the three (electron-, muonand tau-types) known so far.

With the deluge of statistics from LEP, the four experiments could significantly refine the accuracy of the Z mass measurement.

Experiment	Mz (GeV)	Total Width (GeV)	Number of neutrinos
ALEPH	91.174	2.68	3.27 ±.30
DELPHI	91.06	2.42	2.40 ±.40 ±.50
L 3	91.132	2.588	3.42 ±.48
OPAL	91.01	2.60	3.12 ±.42

The LEP team was able to calibrate the absolute energy of the machine to 45 MeV, only a few parts in ten thousand at the Z mass of 91.1 GeV. This is now the largest uncertainty in the Z mass.

With the electroweak picture qualitatively in excellent shape after the accumulated results of recent years, this precision measurement opens the door to a new era of quantitative electroweak studies, analogous to the landmark measurements of the Lamb shift and the anomalous magnetic moment of the electron which transformed quantum electrodynamics from an attractive idea into a cornerstone of modern physics.

But the most significant of the initial wave of LEP results is the removal of the remaining uncertainty in the count of neutrino species, with the chances of a fourth light neutrino now down to less than one in a thousand.

Concentrating for the moment on the decays of Z into strongly interacting particles (hadrons), the experiments' spectra correspond very closely with models of quark 'hadronization', boosting confidence in our understanding of fundamental interactions. With a total of well over ten thousand Zs between them, the four experiments at CERN's LEP electron-positron collider give a precision fix on the mass and width of the Z and the allowed number of light neutrinos (with respective errors: the figures leave out a 45 MeV uncertainty in the LEP energy calibration.) Taken together, the neutrino limits imply that the chances of a fourth such particle are now less than one in a thousand.

Over the coming months, LEP experiments should go on to accumulate hundreds of thousands of Zs, with millions being the ultimate target. The search is on for the elusive Higgs particle (July/August, page 1).

## Trapped nuclides

As well as exploring the high energy physics frontier, physicists at CERN get valuable complementary information from low energies. Earlier this year a team using a Penning trap at the LEAR low energy antiproton ring attained new record low energies for antiprotons (September, page 23).

(The important role of ion traps in modern physics was underlined in the award of this year's Nobel Physics Prize – see page 23.)

Recently another trapping group, this time a Mainz-McGill collaboration working at the ISOLDE isotope separator, directly measured the masses of a wide range of cesium radionuclides with precisions of one tenth of a part per million, far exceeding anything previously attained for short-lived nuclei.

The mass of a nucleus is one of its most basic properties, yet it is known accurately for only stable and long-lived species. The masses of short-lived nuclei, such as exist in the interior of hot and exploding stars, are usually only 'known' by extrapolating nuclear models.

Schematic of the CERN ISOLDE radionuclide mass measuring system. The Paul trap should be installed early next year.



In its definitive state, the Mainz-McGill experiment's 60 keV radionuclide ions from ISOLDE will be first arrested in a radiofrequency (Paul) trap and cooled to about 1eV before entering the remainder of the apparatus. With this trap still under development, the experiment used instead a surface-ionizing collection foil in the downstream Penning trap. Here the ions are cooled to about 0.1 eV before being delivered to a measuring trap, where they are gently tickled by a cyclotron radiofrequency field to about 20 eV for about a second before finally being ejected to a time-offlight (TOF) detector.

The radionuclide mass is given by the frequency of the cyclotron field at resonance, detected by its effect on the TOF when the cyclotron energy is transferred to axial motion during the final ejection. Despite the absence of the Paul trap, the experiment achieved unparalleled precision measurements on nuclei ranging out to 14-second cesium-118.

This winter will see installation of the Paul trap collector to complete the system. CERN will then be in a unique position to test some of the most fascinating features of nuclear structure such as the mass of 10-millisecond lithium-11 which, on the basis of laser spectroscopy also carried out at ISOLDE, appears to be a diffuse two-neutron halo surrounding a lithium-9 core. If so, this halo is probably as near as we are ever going to get on earth to the interior of a neutron star.

## YEREVAN Acceleration workshop

Sponsored by the Yerevan Physics Institute in Armenia, a Workshop on New Methods of Charged Particle Acceleration in October near the Nor Amberd Cosmic Ray Station attracted participants from most major accelerator centres in the USSR and further afield.

The programme covered the wide range of new acceleration techniques currently under investigation – plasma acceleration, inverse free electron lasers, inverse Vavilov-Cherenkov effect, laser applications, two-beam and wake field techniques.

A similar workshop had been held in 1982, and the progress made since then was very evident. The next meeting is scheduled for 1992.

## FERMILAB Physics in the 1990s

Brainstorming workshops are a regular feature of the high energy physics scene, but a recent Workshop on Physics at Fermilab in the 1990s was one of the most important in the Laboratory's 20-year history, charting the aims of a research centre which will retain the distinction of having the highest energy accelerator in the world well into the next decade.

From 1985, the future of Fermilab had been intimately tied to the possibility of siting the proposed SSC Superconducting Supercollider in Illinois. With the decision to build the SSC in Texas, Fermilab has to fashion a new identity in support of but ultimately separate from the SSC.

The fervour at the Workshop, held in the Rocky Mountains at



At the recent charged particle acceleration workshop organized by the Yerevan Physics Institute, Armenia, left to right, Robert Palmer (Brookhaven/Stanford), A. I. Artemyev (Inst. of General Physics, Moscow) and Alexander Varfolomeev (Inst. of Atomic Energy, Moscow).

Breckenridge, Colorado, was eloquently expressed in a quote from Einstein which adorned the wall of the Workshop computing room – 'Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from the mediocre minds.' With many participants working long into the night, there was often a waiting line for the 40 terminals of a local VAX cluster totaling 27 Mips of computing power which was linked to Fermilab's central computing facility.

With the goal of exploring the territory between the current W and Z and the future SSC energy regions in both collider and fixed-target modes, Fermilab has begun to define its new identity by proposing a three-phase upgrade of which the first (the Linac Upgrade) is already underway (September 1988, page 16).

In mid-May, interested physicists came together at Fermilab to study the second phase of the upgrade, the Main Injector. This 120 GeV, large-aperture, rapid-cycling proton synchrotron, designed specifically to overcome limitations inherent in the existing Main Ring when used for collider operations, would be built in a new tunnel.

Together, the Linac Upgrade and the Main Injector would double the currently available flux to  $3 \times 10^{13}$ protons per pulse, and most important, boost collision rates, with luminosity increasing to  $5 \times 10^{31}$ .

The Main Injector would also supply 120 GeV protons for fixedtarget work, in parallel with collider operations, so that the Laboratory would have particle beams available year round.

The Main Injector Workshop focussed on the fixed-target physics possible with this higher intensity beam, including high sensitivity kaon decays, high-flux neutrinoand antiproton-initiated processes, together with detector and beamline design requirements.

Possible future fixed-target and collider options with the Main Injector were further clarified at the Breckenridge Workshop.

Breckenridge also saw lively discussion on a revitalized 'Dedicated Collider' proposal using 6.6-8.6 tesla superconducting magnets, yielding a collision energy of 6-8 TeV, depending on the magnetic field. This 'LINCOLN' (Large Independent Collider Nearby) machine would be a step beyond the Main Injector.

Working group summaries provided a framework for the upgraded accelerator and physics options at Fermilab during the next decade and beyond. A major aim was to identify the most pressing theoretical issues, the tell-tale signatures of new effects, and ways of extracting these rare events from a background of conventional physics.

In his workshop summary, Jonathan Rosner (Chicago) produced an exciting menu of physics topics, including W and Z radiative corrections, new electroweak tests, precise measurements of quark-lepton mixing parameters and further probes of CP violation.

Summary sessions began with Mitchell Golden (Fermilab) and Keith Ellis (Fermilab) laying out the theoretical geography of physics with the Main Injector and beyond. With these issues on the table, discussions moved to questions on the myriad physics options possible with a higher intensity and luminosity upgrade.

What physics can be done only with the Main Injector? How can experiments accumulate large data samples? What are the significant background problems and how can these be addressed? Do other approaches give better measurements and a more cost-effective detector design? Can detectors be polyvalent? Can more than one experiment use the same detector? The resulting debate will probably produce both letters of intent and full-blown proposals that will be submitted to the Fermilab Physics Advisory Committee (PAC).

The role of fixed-target experiments at Fermilab in the light of the demand for SSC test beams and in an increasingly collider-oriented environment came in for special attention. Many participants felt that fewer and more carefully chosen fixed-target experiments should be approved, to benefit from the full resources of the fixed-target programme. This would hasten the progress of an experiment from proposal to completion.

For future charm and B-meson physics in both the fixed-target and collider modes, Joel Butler (Fermilab) claimed that fixed-target experiments dominate current measurements of charmed particle lifetimes and are quite competitive with electron-positron colliders for both rare decay modes and heavier charm states. He concluded that charm physics is still a viable route and that Fermilab is competitive.

In the fixed-target B physics sector, the first high sensitivity experiments will begin taking data in the upcoming run. A key to future fixed-target B physics at Fermilab is the low signal-to-background ratio compared to electron-positron and even high energy hadron colliders. With the available fixed-target 'luminosity' so high (10<sup>34</sup>), the potentially large yields are tantalizing even though they are difficult to pull out of the high backgrounds.

The consensus was that continued and increased work on detec-

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Those responding should indicate the position desired and submit a curriculum vitae that includes the names of three references to: Dr. S. Krinsky, Acting Chairman, National Synchrotron Light Source Department, Building 725B, Brookhaven National Laborator Associated Universities, Inc., Upton, L.I., NY 11973. Equal Opportunity Employer m/f.

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## 1989 Nobels

The 1989 Nobel Physics award to Norman F. Ramsey of Harvard, for the invention of the separated oscillatory fields method and its use in the hydrogen maser and other atomic clocks, and to Hans G. Dehmelt of Seattle, Washington, and Wolfgang Paul of Bonn, for their development of ion trapping, highlights precision measurement techniques which have gone on to play important roles, particularly in the definition of standards.

Not explicitly mentioned in the Nobel citation, but no less important, is the contribution of the Laureates in science policy and in promoting new projects.

Norman Ramsey was one of the founders of Associated Universities Inc, the governing body of the Brookhaven Laboratory, and from 1946-7 was first Chair-

man of Brookhaven's Physics Department. Later he was first President of Universities Research Association, the multi-university consortium set up in 1965 to manage what was to become Fermilab. This followed his work as chairman of a top-level committee set up in 1962 to assess the future US needs for high energy physics, setting the scene for much of what was to follow. With pioneer Fermilab Director Robert Wilson, Ramsey oversaw the creation of the major new national Laboratory.

In 1954, Wolfgang Paul launched the construction of a 500 MeV electron synchrotron at Bonn, the first machine in Europe to use the strong focussing technique. This was followed ten years later by the larger 2.5 GeV machine. With Directorship stints at DESY and Jülich in Germany, and a three-year period at CERN, where from 1964-7 he was first joint Head of Nuclear Physics Division, then Director of Physics I Department, he has always returned to Bonn, where his inventiveness has been a continual source of inspiration. He was Chairman of CERN's Scientific Policy Committee in the formative years from 1975-77 when the 400 GeV SPS proton synchrotron came into action and the seeds were being sown for CERN's big projects for the coming decade.

Dehmelt's school in Seattle has been a prolific source of ideas and expertise on ion traps, increasing sensitivity to a level where Dehmelt, with P. Toschek in Heidelberg, succeeded in observing single ions. This technique has been further refined and applied, particularly at the US National Institute of Standards and Technology in Boulder, Colorado.



Two of the three physicists who went on to become this year's Nobel Laureates – Wolfgang Paul (at the microphone, left) and Norman Ramsey (seated, right) – were among the guests of honour at the inauguration of CERN's SPS proton synchrotron in July 1977. With them, left to right, were John Adams, Chris Llewellyn-Smith and Edoardo Amaldi.

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# People and things

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tor technology, triggering strategies and data acquisition and analysis capabilities is necessary. Interaction rates of some 100 MHz are expected, with a goal of examining a million tagged beauty events in an open geometry, yielding 10,000 fully reconstructed B mesons.

Carl Haber (Berkeley) looked at two approaches to B physics in collider mode. The first uses the existing CDF and D0 detectors to study the tail of the B spectrum. The second is a proposed Beauty Collider Detector (BCD), a large acceptance spectrometer designed for a broad study of B physics, especially CP violation.

The working group summary on symmetry violations and rare decays was given by Bruce Winstein (Chicago), pointing out relevant detector issues and the need for more development work. Collaboration during the Workshop between the CP violation working group and the detector group fostered solutions to envisaged problems in this sector.

Closing the Workshop, new Fermilab Director John Peoples underlined both the wide variety of physics possibilities and Fermilab's aim for a finely focussed, intensive assault on the most promising topics. For this to come about, he reaffirmed the need for the next logical step in this process, the new Main Injector.

The Workshop proceedings are published by World Scientific.

## SERPUKHOV Channeling

The delicate steering and deflection ('channeling') of particle beams inside crystals is being increasingly studied at high energies. As well as being an interesting physics topic in itself, it opens new applications potential for experimental physics.

At the Soviet Institute for High Energy Physics, Serpukhov, physicists have been looking at the possibilities of using crystals to extract beam from their 70 GeV proton synchrotron.

A recent success which promises much for the future was multiturn extraction of protons by a deflector consisting of a bent single crystal of silicon. The channeled particles were shifted through 80 milliradians with an extraction efficiency of 5 x  $10^{-5}$ .

Assembled as a sandwich, the single crystals allow the proton beam to be deflected through 60 mrad, with a resultant intensity in the range  $10^5 - 2.5 \times 10^7$  protons per pulse.

(At Fermilab in 1984, a bent silicon crystal was used to replace a magnet in a secondary charged particle beam, raising the maximum momentum which could be transmitted from the magnetic septum limit of 225 GeV to the full primary beam level of 400 GeV.)

Detector specialist Georges Charpak (third from left), with some of the speakers at the seminar at CERN on 30 October marking his formal retirement – left to right, J. Saudinos, R. Garwin and Leon Lederman.

#### Georges Charpak at 65

Friends, colleagues and admirers of Georges Charpak filled the CERN Auditorium on 30 October for a special seminar marking the formal retirement of an acknowledged master of the particle detector business.

Before joining CERN in 1959, he had pioneered new methods for photographing the sparks left in the wake of particles. At CERN, he participated in the early measurements of the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon, and in experiments with pion beams.

Reverting to detectors, he investigated ways of localizing spark signals without resorting to photography. The result was the development of the multi-wire proportional chamber and the drift chamber, the workhorses of the modern particle physicist's detector stable.

Building on these ideas, and guided by his ambition and genius, his collaborators have gone on to develop important applications in imaging, precision microscopy, etc, while continually investigating the potential of new and sometimes exotic materials. This effort continues to bear fresh fruit.

Chaired by Pierre Lehmann and



The gas jet for the JETSET experiment at CERN's LEAR low energy antiproton ring (May 1987, page 21). The full experiment will be commissioned next summer.

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introduced by CERN Director General Carlo Rubbia and by a videoed Viktor Weisskopf, the seminar included contributions from Leon Lederman ('Superstrings need sealing wax'), underlining the pivotal role Charpak inventions now play in modern physics; from J. Saudinos, looking at Charpak's ambitions and successes in applying physics detectors to medicine and biology; from E. Uggerhoi on Charpak's push to extend channeling studies to high energy beams; and from R. Garwin, examining the wider role that concerned physicists, like Charpak, can and have played in society.

Presenting his mentor with a memento photo album, Fabio Sauli affirmed that the collaboration would be proud to continue to be called 'The Charpak Group'. In conclusion, Georges Charpak described some personal attitudes to initiating and motivating research. 'I have some detectors even more beautiful than the ones we have been talking about, but they are useless!' he declared, before avowing to continue his search for new ideas and techniques.

On people

Helen Edwards, now Head of the Accelerator Division at the US Superconducting Supercollider, SSC, and Dick Lundy, Rich Orr and Alvin Tollestrup of Fermilab have been awarded the US National Medal for Technology in recognition of their contributions in mastering superconducting magnets in the construction of the Fermilab Tevatron.

Former CERN Director General Herwig Schopper was awarded an



honorary Doctor of Science degree at the University of London on 12 October.

CERN theorist Maurice Jacob has been elected Foreign Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences.

## CEBAF orders from Europe

In a contract worth ten million dollars, 360 superconducting accelerating cavities for the CEBAF Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility, now under construction at Newport News, Virginia, have been ordered from the West German firm of Interatom. Meetings

Neutrino '90, the 14th International Conference on Neutrino Physics and Astrophysics, will be held at CERN from 10-15 June. Participation is by invitation only. Further information from Neutrino '90 Secretariat, c/o Susan Maio, CERN/DG, 1211 Geneva 23, Switzerland, telephone Geneva 767 4687, fax Geneva 782 0168, e-mail neutrino at cernvm.cern.ch.

The Division of Particles and Fields of the American Physical Society will host another summer study in Snowmass, Colorado, from June 25 to July 13, entitled 'Research Directions for the Decade – 1990 DPF Summer Study on High Energy Physics' to examine all important scientific issues and opportunities in high energy physics, including

The CERN Accelerator School's course on Advanced Accelerator Physics was held in September at and in conjunction with Uppsala University, Sweden.

## CERN Accelerator School goes north

In September in Uppsala, CERN's Accelerator School (CAS) organized its third Advanced Accelerator Course, this time in conjunction with Uppsala University. After a mainly theoretical first week, attention turned in the second week to specialized topics important in small rings - cooling techniques, internal targets, interactions with residual gas, ion trapping, intensity limitations, very cold beams, crystalline beams, etc. It was clear that, at least in the context of accelerators, 'small' does not mean 'less complex'. Visits to the Uppsala installations, including the Celsius cooler/storage ring, now operational (June, page 24), the Cryring storage ring for highly charged heavy ions, now under construction, and the laboratories of manufacturer Scanditronix testified to the vigour of this area of Swedish science.

For next year, CAS is offering a course on Power Converters for Particle Accelerators from 26-30 March in Montreux, Switzerland, and on General Accelerator Physics from 17-28 September at and in conjunction with KFA Jülich. Further information from Mrs. S. von Wartbura. CERN Accelerator School, CERN, 1211 Geneva 23, Switzerland, or by e-mail from caspower at cernvm.cern.ch or caskfa at cernvm.cern.ch respectively.



collider, fixed-target and non-accelerator experiments, accelerator and detector initiatives, and B factories. The physics and associated detector developments of the SSC and the LHC will be emphasized. Chairman of the Scientific Organizing Committee is Edmond L. Berger of Argonne (ELB at ANLHEP), and Conference Secretary is Robin Craven of Wisconsin (CRAVEN at WISCPSLB).

A workshop on beam dynamics issues of high luminosity asymmetric collider rings will be held at Berkeley from 12-16 February. Topics will be more general than the beam-beam interaction (although this will receive major attention), and would include coupled bunch effects, impedances, wakes. etc. It is hoped to establish conservative design criteria for these machines. Further information from the Conference Chairman, Andrew M. Sessler at Berkeley, bitnet tbalbl at lbl or fax (415) 486-5172. ABB Mannheim leaves superconducting magnet production

The 223 nine-metre superconducting dipoles (half of the total required) for the HERA electron-proton collider being built at the German DESY Laboratory in Hamburg will be the last superconducting magnets to be built by Asea Brown Boveri (ABB) of Mannheim. The other half of the HERA dipole consignment is being supplied by an Italian consortium (LMI-Europametalli for the cable, Ansaldo for the collared coils and Zanon for the cryostats).

#### Good Laboratory eating

Retiring as Chairman of the Users' Organization for the US Superconducting Supercollider (SSC) to be built in Texas, Lee Pondrom of Wisconsin joked that, with no cafeteria to complain about, prospective SSC users had to discuss something else.

The CERN itinerant exhibition stayed almost at home in October when it featured at the 'Foire du Valais' in the Swiss town of Martigny. The Fair attracted over 120,000 visitors during its ten days, and, as 'guest of honour', the CERN stand received a lot of attention. The CERN exhibition team has had another busy year, with eleven exhibitions of CERN's work spread around the Member States.

An operational Laboratory where cafeteria complaints should be rare. if its track record is anything to go by, is the Swiss Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI, formally SIN), Villigen. Over the past few years, its 'Oase' (Oasis) restaurant has amassed a whole pantry of culinary awards silver and gold medals in two hotel and restaurant competitions in Germany this year, silver (art culinaire international) and gold (restauration collective) medals at the 2nd Salon Culinaire Mondial in Basle, Switzerland, in November 1987, a silver medal at the international culinary fair in Frankfurt, October 1988, a diploma in a Swiss national gastronomy fair in April 1987, and a gold medal at a similar event this April.

The`Oase' serves an average of 530 lunches each working day to a total PSI staff of about 1100. Enthusiastic clients report that the menu is varied attractively with the season (fish, seafood, game), with additional variety coming from frequent national weeks, featuring menus from France, Italy, Spain, etc. The restaurant also provides catering services and has its own patisserie.

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