and l=3 transitions in the Ni⁶²(t,He⁴)Co⁶¹ reaction, for well depths $V_s = 4$ and 8 MeV. The calculation also included a spin dependence in the bound-state well. The predicted distributions were nearly identical to those obtained for spinless particles. This behavior is somewhat surprising in view of the very definite $\delta \cdot \mathbf{L}$ dependence predicted for the (He^4, p) reaction³⁶ and for the (p, He^4) reaction.³⁷ It is possible that the geometry of

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the spin-orbit potential well differs from that of the real potential well for highly absorbed particles such as tritons.

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Stripping Analysis of the $Sc^{45}(d,p)Sc^{46}$ Reaction*

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The $Sc^{45}(d, p)Sc^{46}$ reaction has been studied with a multiple-gap magnetic spectrograph and the MIT-ONR electrostatic accelerator. Eighty-four energy levels were observed, and angular distributions of the corresponding proton groups were analyzed up to an excitation energy of 4.0 MeV. Eighty-five additional energy levels in Sc^{46} were observed between 4.0 and 6.0 MeV where the level density is seen to increase rapidly with excitation energy. Some unresolved particle groups are estimated to have separations of a few keV. The ground-state Q value was measured to be 6.541 ± 0.008 MeV. The angular distributions were measured in 7.5-deg intervals between 7.5 and 172.5 deg. The assignments of the captured-neutron angular-momentum l_n were based on the position of the first maximum as predicted by a distorted-wave Born-approximation theoretical calculation. The transition strengths for the groups, for which l_n assignments were made, were determined from the measured differential cross sections and the predictions of the distorted-wave, deuteronstripping analysis.

I. INTRODUCTION

NVESTIGATIONS of energy levels in Sc⁴⁶ have in the past been restricted mainly to two modes of excitation: the (n,γ) and (d,ϕ) reactions on the mono-isotopic element Sc⁴⁵. More recently, with the use of both higher bombarding energies and He3-induced reactions,1 it has been possible to study Sc46, as well as other unstable scandium isotopes, by means of reactions involving the stable neighboring nuclei of calcium and titanium.

The earliest measurements of high-energy neutroncapture gamma rays were made by Bartholomew and Kinsey.² Eight gamma rays with energies between 6.35 and 8.85 MeV were measured, and if they are assumed to correspond to direct transitions from the capture state, then several states in Sc⁴⁶ may be predicted. Groshev et al.3 have extended these measurements to lower energy gamma rays (1.1 MeV) and report an additional 16 gamma rays associated with transitions in Sc⁴⁶.

The isomeric level at 142 keV in Sc^{46} has been known from the early work of Goldhaber and Muehlhause⁴ from range measurements of internal-conversion electrons following the bombardment of Sc45 with slow neutrons.

Improved high resolution and coincidence techniques in gamma-ray spectroscopy have been used recently to study the decay characteristics of cascade gamma rays following direct transitions from the neutron capture state in Sc⁴⁵. Neill *et al.*,⁵ using slow neutrons from the

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FIG. 1. Measured proton spectrum at laboratory angle 37.5 deg. The number of proton tracks in a 0.5-mm strip across the exposed zone is plotted against position along the photographic emulsion. Proton groups arising from levels in Sc⁴⁶, identified by their kinematics, are labeled with numbers. Prominent contaminant groups arising from sulfur, calcium, and carbon are also identified.

MIT reactor and a 6-m bent-crystal spectrometer, have measured gamma rays up to an energy of 350 keV. More recently, Bolotin⁶ made coincidence studies of the low-energy gamma-ray transitions following neutron capture in Sc⁴⁵ and inferred certain additional properties of low-lying levels in Sc⁴⁶ (below 0.7 MeV) which are either weakly excited or not observed in the deuteron-stripping reaction. Further comments and comparison with the present (d, p) work will be made in Sec. IIIA.

In the first study of the (d,p) reaction on Sc⁴⁵, Davidson⁷ reported two proton groups from range measurements with Q values of 6.78 and 4.48 MeV, corresponding to transitions to the ground state and a level at 2.30 MeV, respectively. A more nearly complete investigation of the proton spectra from the Sc⁴⁵(d,p)Sc⁴⁶ reaction was next made in this Laboratory by Mazari,⁸ using the MIT single-gap spectrograph. The positions of 54 levels up to 3.941 MeV were reported. Still more recently, Bjerregaard *et al.*⁹ reported 25 levels in Sc⁴⁶ up to 2.114-MeV excitation from the Sc⁴⁵(d,p)Sc⁴⁶ reaction and twelve levels up to an excitation of 1.124 MeV from the Ti⁴⁸ (d,α) Sc⁴⁶ reaction. The present more extensive investigation was undertaken to study the angular distributions of the proton groups from the Sc⁴⁵(d, p)Sc⁴⁶ reaction as part of a shellmodel analysis of the N=25 nuclei (Ca⁴⁵, Sc⁴⁶, and Ti⁴⁷). Measurements of the excitation energies of 165 levels up to 5.976-MeV excitation have been made, and the angular distributions of the first 84 proton groups have been analyzed. The results are discussed in terms of the simple shell-model point of view. Since the ground state of Sc⁴⁵ has spin and parity $J^{\pi} = \frac{7}{2}$, this simple model predicts eight levels with $l_n=3$ arising from coupling a neutron to the Sc⁴⁵ ground state. This grouping is observed in the first 1 MeV of excitation in Sc⁴⁶.

II. EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE AND RESULTS

The experimental arrangement was the same as that described in a recent publication.¹⁰ Metallic scandium (Sc⁴⁵), a mono-isotopic element, was vacuum evaporated onto a thin carbon film that was supported with a thin Formvar backing on a 1-in. diam circular frame. The target thickness, $42 \ \mu g/cm^2$, was determined by Rutherford scattering of 2-MeV deuterons at 90 deg. Also, a target-mass analysis was made by using 3.0-MeV deuterons. With a $450 \ \mu C$ exposure, the elastically scat-

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FIG. 2. Extension of the proton spectrum to the lower end of the focal surface of the spectrograph. Levels in SC⁴⁶ are labeled with numbers. Prominent contaminant groups arising from carbon, oxygen, and nitrogen are also identified.

tered deuterons were observed at 90 deg with respect to the incident beam. The following contaminants were identified: ytterbium, yttrium, calcium, sulfur, oxygen, nitrogen, and carbon. The material from which the target was made was obtained from Johnson, Matthey, and Company, Ltd., England, and the estimate that was given for the ytterbium and yttrium impurities was less than 0.001%.

The $Sc^{45}(d,p)Sc^{46}$ reactions were investigated using 7.0-MeV incident deuterons. The exact bombarding energy was determined from measurements of proton groups arising from the $S^{32}(d,p)S^{33}$ and $Ca^{40}(d,p)Ca^{41}$ ground-state transitions for which the O values are well known. With this resultant value of incident energy and the known spectrograph calibration, the *Q* value calculated for the $Sc^{45}(d,p)Sc^{46}$ reaction is 6.538 ± 0.008 MeV. This value is in excellent agreement with a previous measurement of 6.541 MeV⁸ made in this Laboratory using the single-gap spectrograph. Because of the larger uncertainties in the calibration of the multiple-gap spectrograph, the *Q* values for those levels in Sc⁴⁶ that were also observed by Mazari et al.⁸ are quoted here. However, several additional levels are reported in this work that were not observed in the earlier investigation. The *Q* values quoted in these cases were determined either by interpolation using the known states from Ref. 8 or by reference to known contaminant Q values in the appropriate region of excitation and at the appropriate angles of observation.

Figure 1 shows part of a typical spectrum of protons recorded at an angle of 37.5 deg with respect to the beam direction; the range in proton energy corresponds to excitation energies in Sc^{46} from the ground state up to 4 MeV. Figure 2 shows an extension of this spectrum to the lower end of the focal surface of the spectrograph. A total of 168 levels in Sc⁴⁶ were identified up to 6-MeV excitation energy. The resolution $\Delta E/E$ over the whole range was approximately 0.1%, which corresponds approximately to a half-width of ≤ 12 keV for the proton groups.

Figures 3, 4, and 5 show the observed angular distributions up to 4.0-MeV excitation energy. The solid line is a smooth curve connecting the experimental points. Up to 1 MeV of excitation energy, eight levels exhibit $l_n=3$ stripping patterns with the strongest one at 51-keV excitation energy. The 140-keV isomeric state has a very low intensity and did not show a stripping pattern. The strongest $l_n=1$ distribution is seen at an excitation energy of 2.334 MeV. At an excitation energy of 2.780 MeV, there is a state that shows the strongest $l_n=0$ angular distribution.

Of the 84 angular distributions that were analyzed up to 4.0 MeV, 15 did not show typical stripping patterns. Of the remaining levels, nine were given $l_n=3$ assignments; 50 were given $l_n=1$ assignments; and ten, $l_n=0$ assignments.

In Table I are listed the Q values and excitation energies for all the levels up to 4.0-MeV excitation energy in Sc⁴⁶. The maximum differential cross sections are listed in the fourth column. The error in the absolute cross-section values is estimated to be 12% from the combined errors in the target-thickness measurement and the counting of the proton tracks. For crosssection values less than 0.1 mb/sr, an additional statistical factor has to be added. The assignment of the orbital angular momentum l_n of the captured neutron

Level No.	Qª (MeV)	E _x ^b (MeV)	$(d\sigma/d\Omega)_{ m max}^{ m c}$ mb/sr(lab)	$ heta_{\max} \\ ext{deg} \\ (ext{lab}) ext{}$	l_n	$\left(\frac{2J_f+1}{2J_i+1}\right)S$		evel Io.	Qª (MeV)	E _x ^b (MeV)	$(d\sigma/d\Omega)_{\rm max}^{\rm c}$ mb/sr(lab)	$ heta_{\max} \\ ext{deg} \\ (ext{lab}) ext{}$	l _n	$\left(\frac{2J_f+1}{2J_i+1}\right)S$
0 1 2	6.541 6.490 6.401	0 0.051 0.140	0.17 0.44 <0.002	38 37	3 3	0.58 1.33	4	12 13 14	3.975 3.951 3.893	2.566 2.590 2.648	1.3 0.07 0.08	18 0	1 (0)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.16 \\ 0.001 \ (3s) \\ 0.001 \ (3s) \end{array}$
3 4	6.314 6.262	0.227 0.279	0.17 0.33	30 18	3 (1)	0.62 0.10	4	15 16	3.871 3.825	2.670 2.716	0.02 1.95	18	1	0.24
5	6.097 5.964	0.444 0.577	$0.11 \le 0.007$	30	3	0.31	4	17 18	3.808 3.761	2.733 2.780	0.35 0.80	18 0	1	0.04 0.014 (3s)
8	5.918 5.769 5.708	0.623 0.772 0.833	≤ 0.003 0.20 0.10	37 38	3	0.61 0.32		19 50 51	3.704 3.679	2.813 2.837 2.862	0.29 0.18 2.80	20 0 18	1 0 1	0.035 0.004 (3s) 0.31
10 11	5.566 5.451	0.975 1.090	0.17 0.16	38 17	3 1	0.50 0.03		52 53	3.644 3.602	2.897 2.939	0.35 0.035	18 0	1 (0)	0.04 0.001 (3s)
12 13	5.410 5.400 5.270	1.131 1.141	0.018 0.01 0.005	0 38	(0) (3)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.001 & (2s) \\ 0.03 & \end{array}$		54 55 56	3.559 3.536 3.520	2.982 3.005^{d} 3.021^{d}	1.5	19	1	0.175
15 16	5.218 5.147	1.323 1.394	0.025 0.035	17 18	(1) 1	0.04 0.06		57 58	3.509 3.480	3.032ª ∫ 3.061	<u>≤</u> 0.2 ≤0.01			
17 18 10	5.106 5.015	1.435 1.526 1.648	0.006 0.01 0.07	20 0	(1)	0.001		59 50	3.454 3.399 3.359	3.087 3.142 3.183	0.11 0.31 0.72	17 0 17	1 0 1	$\begin{array}{c} 0.013 \\ 0.005 \\ 0.08 \end{array} (3s)$
20 21	4.893 4.864 4.849	1.677 1.692	0.07 0.2 0.04	18 0	1 0	0.003 (23)		52 53	3.300 3.254	3.241 3.287	0.95 0.07	17 17 19	1 1	0.08 0.11 0.008
22 23	4.788 4.776	1.753 1.765	0.01 0.03	40 18	(3) (1)	0.03 0.005		54 55	3.220 3.150	3.321 3.391	0.42 0.90	18 19	1	0.046 0.10
24 25 26	4.738 4.717 4.690	1.803 1.824 1.851	$\leq 0.005 \\ \leq 0.01$	18	I	0.05		57 58	3.092 3.061	3.449 3.480	0.70 0.78 0.41	17 17 17	1 1 1	0.075 0.083 0.044
27 28	4.651 4.616	$1.890 \\ 1.925$	0.09 0.11	19 18	1	0.014 0.017		59 70	3.032 3.002	3.509 3.539	0.40 0.95	18 19	1	0.042 0.10
29 30 31	4.482 4.470 4.423	2.059 2.071 2.118	0.28 0.82 1 4	0 19 17	(0) 1 1	0.016 (2s) 0.10 0.17		1 2 3	2.955 2.923 2.880	3.586 3.618 3.661	0.07 1.10 0.26	19 19 16	1 1 1	0.008 0.115 0.027
32 33	4.367 4.333	$2.174 \\ 2.208$	$\leq 0.005 \\ 0.015$		-			4 75	2.846 2.826	3.695 3.715	0.20 0.15	18 18	(1) (1)	0.02 0.015
34 35 36	4.316 4.245 4.234	2.225 2.296 2.307	$0.36 \le 0.01 \ 0.47$	18	1	0.05		'6 '7 '8	2.770 2.749 2.719	3.771 3.792 3.822	0.95 0.35 0.31	20 19 19	1 1 1	0.096 0.036 0.031
37 38	4.207 4.175	2.334 2.366	5.7 0.046	17 16	1 1	0.80 0.007		9 80	2.702 2.663	3.839 3.878	0.15° 0.6°	17	(1) (1)	0.015 0.058
39 40 41	$\begin{array}{r} 4.126 \\ 4.086 \\ 4.008 \end{array}$	2.415 2.455 2.533	0.48 1.35 0.88	19 18 19	1 1 1	0.06 0.18 0.11	8	51 52 53	2.600 2.581 2.561	3.941 3.960 3.980	0.39° 0.15 0.30	20 20		0.038 0.014 0.028

TABLE I. Summary of results for the levels of Sc⁴⁶ formed through the Sc⁴⁶ (d,p)Sc⁴⁶ reaction. $E_d = 7.0$ MeV.

The estimated uncertainty is 8 keV for level Nos. 0 through 10; 10 keV for level Nos. 11 through 44; and 12 keV for the other levels.
The estimated uncertainty is 4 keV for level Nos. 1 through 10; 6 keV for level Nos. 11 through 44; and 8 keV for the other levels.
The estimated error in the absolute measured cross section is 12%.
Because of the closeness of the peaks, they were not resolved to measure their individual angular distributions.
Large uncertainty from C¹³ ground-state contamination.

was made on the basis of the position of the first maximum.

Table II gives the Q values and excitation energies in Sc⁴⁶ between 4.0 and 6.0 MeV. The groups in this region were analyzed only in the five gaps between 7.5 and 37.5 deg and were scanned from an exposure made with only one-tenth of the main exposure. The short exposure gave better resolution than that achieved with the longer exposure, because of the reduction of background arising from the carbon, nitrogen, and oxygen groups.

Table III gives the angular-distribution results for the groups showing the largest cross sections in this excitation region. Because of slight variations in resolution in the various gaps of the spectrograph, it was not always possible to resolve the very closely spaced peaks at all the observed angles. In those cases, the l_n

assignment is that for the more prominent member of the group.

III. RESULTS

A. Stripping Analysis

The experimental angular distributions were fitted using a distorted-wave Born-approximation code (DWBA) originated by Bassel et al.¹¹ The deuteronpotential parameters were obtained by fitting the 7.5-MeV deuteron elastic-scattering data on Sc45 obtained in this Laboratory.¹² The search code ABACUS¹³ employ-

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FIG. 3. Measured absolute angular distributions for levels from $Sc^{46}(d,p)Sc^{46}$ reactions up to 1.8-MeV excitation energy in Sc^{46} . The solid line is a smooth curve through the experimental points.

ing a least-squares criterion was used in this fitting, and the B4 set of parameters was used as a starting point. This B4 set corresponds to an average of fits for elastically scattered deuterons on the titanium isotopes.¹⁴ The proton-potential parameters were obtained from an analysis of proton elastic-scattering data performed by Perey.¹⁵ With the use of the potentials listed in Table IV, angular distributions $\sigma(\theta)$ were predicted for the (d,p) reactions. The calculations were zero-range calculations, and a lower cutoff equal to zero was used on the radial integrals. The predicted $\sigma(\theta)$ for a given state was summed over several angles and compared with the sum of the experimental values at the same

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FIG. 4. Measured absolute angular distributions from $Sc^{45}(d,p)Sc^{46}$ reactions from 1.8- up to 2.86-MeV excitation energy in Sc^{46} . The solid line represents a smooth curve through the experimental points.

angles in order to obtain the transition strength

$$\left(\frac{2J_f+1}{2J_i+1}\right)S$$

according to the relation

$$\sum \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = 1.5 \frac{2J_{i}+1}{2J_{i}+1} S \sum \sigma(\theta).$$

Here J_i and J_f are the initial and final nuclear spins,

respectively. The numerical factor 1.5 is related to the use of the Hulthen wave function to describe the deuteron, and S represents the spectroscopic factor. The transition strengths are indicated in column 7 of both Tables I and III.

The experimental angular distributions corresponding to the levels in Sc⁴⁶ with the largest cross sections of $l_n=3$, $l_n=1$, and $l_n=0$ transitions are shown in Fig. 6. The smooth curve is the DW prediction calculated using the code JULIE.



FIG. 5. Measured absolute angular distributions from $Sc^{45}(d,p)Sc^{46}$ reactions from 2.9- up to 4.0-MeV excitation energy in Sc^{46} . The solid line represents a smooth curve through the experimental points.

The energy-level diagrams of Sc⁴⁵ (Ref. 16) and of Sc⁴⁶ are presented in Fig. 7, together with the results of the present stripping analysis of the levels in Sc⁴⁶. The transition strengths are indicated in different columns according to their l_n value.

Level No. 2 at 0.140 MeV corresponds to the isomeric state with a half-life of 20 sec.^{17,18} From measurements

of the ratio of internal-conversion electrons to gamma rays,⁴ which was found to be of the order of 1, it was assumed that this state belongs to a 2^4 pole isomeric transition. Thus, a tentative J=7 was assigned. Recent measurements of low-energy gamma rays following neutron capture^{5,6} in Sc⁴⁶ do not show a transition between the 140-keV state and the 51-keV first excited state; however, the (d, p) cross section corresponding to this 51-keV transition is greater than any other $l_n=3$ transition. Actually, it is 2.5 times larger than the cross section leading to the ground state, which has a spin

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TABLE II. Q values and excitation energies for the levels between 4.0 and 6.0 MeV in Sc⁴⁶ formed through the Sc⁴⁵(d, p)Sc⁴⁶ reaction.

Level No.	Q (MeV)ª	<i>Е_x</i> (MeV) ^ь	Level No.	Q (MeV)ª	E_x (MeV) ^b
84	2.531	4.010	127	1.533	5.008
85	2.511	4.030	128	1.519	5.022
86	2.471	4.070	129	1.498	5.043
87	2.449	4.092	130	1.479	5.062
88	2.421	4.120	131	1.459	5.082
89	2.405	4.136	132	1.426	5.115
90	2.356	4.185	133	1.402	5.139
91	2.340	4.201	134	1.389	5.152
92	2.308	4.233	135	1.374	5.167
93	2.291	4.250	136	1.347	5.194
94	2.271	4.270	137	1.333	5.208
95	2.249	4.292	138	1.304	5.237
96	2.223	4.318	139	1.291	5.250
97	2.214	4.327	140	1.269	5.272
98	2.194	4.347	141	1.240	5.301
99	2.179	4.362	142	1.214	5.327
100	2.165	4.376	143	1.196	5.345
101	2.146	4.395	144	1.176	5.365
102	2.127	4.414	145	1.165	5.376
103	2.105	4.436	146	1.154	5.387
104	2.089	4.452	147	1.136	5.405
105	2.065	4.476	148	1.100	5.441
106	2.036	4.505	149	1.076	5.465
107	2.004	4.537	150	1.024	5.517
108	1.982	4.559	151	1.012	5.529
109	1.962	4.579	152	0.976	5.565
110	1.947	4.594	153	0.948	5.593
111	1.929	4.612	154	0.922	5.619
112	1.895	4.646	155	0.897	5.644
113	1.879	4.662	156	0.879	5.662
114	1.853	4.688	157	0.845	5.696
115	1.831	4.710	158	0.812	5.729
116	1.811	4.730	159	0.788	5.753
117	1.787	4.754	160	0.770	5.771
118	1.761	4.780	161	0.745	5.796
119	1.746	4.795	162	0.728	5.813
120	1.722	4.819	163	0.706	5.835
121	1.697	4.844	164	0.663	5.878
122	1.669	4.872	165	0.633	5.908
123	1.647	4.894	166	0.611	5.930
124	1.616	4.925	167	0.590	5.951
125	1.587	4.954	168	0.565	5.976
126	1.571	4.970			

^a The estimated uncertainty is 13 keV for level Nos. 84 through 127 and 16 keV for the other levels. ^b The estimated uncertainty is 10 keV for level Nos. 84 through 127 and 12 keV for the other levels.

 $J^{\pi}=4^+$ (Ref. 19). Therefore, a J value for the 51-keV state in Sc⁴⁶ equal to or greater than 4 can be predicted. In a theoretical analysis of the level structure in Sc⁴⁶, McCullen *et al.*²⁰ suggest J=6. Since no gamma ray is seen to connect this 51-keV state with the isomeric state that decays to the $J^{\pi}=4^+$ ground state, it is possible that the spin of the isomeric state is not J=7, as suggested from the gamma-ray measurements, but rather J=0 or 1.

The energy-level scheme in Sc^{46} up to 1.0 MeV, proposed by Neill *et al.*⁵ and based on the observed intensities of neutron-capture gamma rays, is in agreement with the levels reported in this work, except for one level which they assign at 0.289 MeV. This level is not

seen in the present experiments, but it is only 10 keV above our level No. 4 ($E_x = 0.279$ MeV), which is a rather strong $l_n=1$ transition. The proton angular distribution for level No. 4 reported here does show evidence of a possible admixture of $l_n=1$ and $l_n=3$. On the other hand, the energy scheme in Sc^{46} up to 0.675 MeV, suggested by Bolotin,⁶ differs from that of Neill et al.⁵ and from the one here reported in that Bolotin proposes a level at 0.289 MeV but not the level at 0.279 MeV which was suggested by Neill et al. and has been observed in the present (d, p) work. Another discrepancy in the (n,γ) experiments occurs in the region just above 600 keV in Sc46. Bolotin⁶ places a level at 0.675 MeV, and Neill et al.⁵ places one at 0.627 MeV. In our (d,p) experiments, a very weakly excited transition to a state at 0.623 MeV (level No. 7) is observed, but there is no indication of a level at 0.675 MeV.

Up to 2.0 MeV, six new states are reported in the present work that were not observed by Bjerregaard *et al.*⁹ However, in their $Ti^{48}(d,\alpha)Sc^{46}$ work, they report a level at 0.511 MeV that is not seen in the present (d,p) experiments.

In the following section, the analysis of the observed angular distributions will be discussed.

B. The $l_n = 3$ Groups

In Sc⁴⁶, eight levels up to approximately 1-MeV excitation energy are observed with $l_n=3$. They can be

TABLE III. Levels in SC⁴⁶ between 4.0 and 6.0 MeV formed through the SC⁴⁵ (d, p)SC⁴⁶ reaction with largest cross section. $E_d = 7.0$ MeV.

Level No.	Q (MeV)	Ex (MeV)	$(d\sigma/d\Omega)_{\max}^{\mathbf{a}}$ mb/sr(lab)	$ heta_{\max} \ ext{deg} \ (ext{lab})$	l_n	$\left(\frac{2J_f+1}{2J_i+1}\right)S$
94 95	2.271 2.249	$\left. \begin{array}{c} 4.270 \\ 4.292 \end{array} \right\}$	0.73ь	18	(1)	0.066
99	2.179	4.362	0.36	20	1	0.032
100 101	2.165 2.146	$\left. \begin{array}{c} 4.376 \\ 4.395 \end{array} \right\}$	1.28 ^b	18	(1)	0.115
104	2.089	4.452	1.05	20	1	0.092
105	2.065	4.476	0.93	20	1	0.081
106	2.036	4.505	0.43	18	1	0.037
116 117	$1.811 \\ 1.787$	$\left. \begin{array}{c} 4.730 \\ 4.754 \end{array} \right\}$	1.21ъ	18	(1)	0.10
122 123	1.669 1.647	$\left. \begin{array}{c} 4.872 \\ 4.894 \end{array} \right\}$	1.46 ^b	20	(1)	0.119
127 128	$1.533 \\ 1.519$	5.008 5.022	0.78 ^b	17	(1)	0.062
132	1.426	5.115	1.07	20	1	0.081
137	1.333	5.208	0.83	20	1	0.064
144 145 146 147	1.176 1.165 1.154 1.136	5.365 5.376 5.387 5.405	1.28 ^b	17	(1)	0.093
156	0.879	5.662	0.64	18	1	0.046
157 158	0.845 0.812	5.696) 5.729}	0.65 ^b	18	(1)	0.047

^a The estimated error in the absolute measured cross section is 12%. ^b Because of the closeness of the peaks, they were not resolved. The value of the quoted cross section corresponds to the total yield.

 ¹⁹ F. Boehm and A. H. Wapstra, Phys. Rev. **107**, 1202 (1957).
 ²⁰ J. D. McCullen, B. F. Bayman, and L. Zamick, Phys. Rev. **134**, B515 (1964).





interpreted as being formed by the coupling of one $1f_{7/2}$ proton to a Ca⁴⁵ core with spin $J = \frac{7}{2}$. That the levels are split up to 1 MeV indicates a strong neutron-proton interaction.

If all the transition strengths for the $l_n=3$ state observed in Sc⁴⁶, as given in Table I, are added up, the result is

$$\sum \left(\frac{2J_f+1}{2J_i+1}\right)S = 4.33.$$

The simple shell-model prediction indicates a sum equal to 4, the number of neutron hole states in the Sc^{45} target. This means that all the levels arising from the $(f_{7/2})^5$ neutron configuration are probably seen in the present experiment.

McCullen *et al.*²⁰ have made theoretical calculations on the spectroscopy in the nuclear $1f_{7/2}$ shell. They identify the strongest $l_n=3$ state with the spin-6 level, and they give the positions and the spectroscopic factors with the other $l_n=3$ states. Their predictions denote a fair agreement with the experimental data here reported. (See Table V.) However, other configurations are needed to explain some other low-lying levels weakly excited in the present experiment. It is very likely that some of the low-lying nonstripping levels could be explained as $d_{3/2}$ or $s_{1/2}$ hole states excited from the coupling of a neutron with the Sc⁴⁵ target nucleus whose ground-state wave function may have components of the form

$$\left[\pi(f_{7/2})^1 \nu(f_{7/2})^6 (d_{3/2})^{-2}\right]_{7/2},$$
 and

$$[\pi(f_{7/2})^1 \nu(f_{7/2})^6(s_{1/2})^{-2}]_{7/2}$$

Here π indicates protons; ν indicates neutrons; and the

TABLE IV. Optical-model potential parameters used in the $Sc^{45}(d, p)Sc^{46}$ analysis.

Particle	V	W'	r 0	<i>a</i>	r ₀ '	a'	r _{0c}
	(MeV	(MeV)	(F)	(F)	(F)	(F)	(F)
d	103.6	24.6	1.00	0.838	1.35	0.65	1.30
P	52.4	10.8	1.25	0.65	1.25	0.47	1.25





square brackets symbolize vector coupling to a spin of $\frac{7}{2}$. Bansal and French²¹ predict $d_{3/2}$ hole states approximately at 1.0 MeV in Sc⁴⁶ which could be the level Nos. 6 and 7 at 577- and 623-keV excitation energy here reported.

Yntema and Satchler¹ report levels at 0.135, 0.59, and 1.27 MeV from their (d, He^3) pickup experiments

TABLE V. States in Sc⁴⁶ excited by the Sc⁴⁶(d,p)Sc⁴⁶ reaction and characterized by $l_n=3$ distributions.

Level	Experim <i>E_x</i> (MeV)	$\left(\frac{2J_f+1}{2J_i+1}\right)S$	J_f	(McCu	$\left(\frac{2J_f+1}{2J_i+1}\right)S$	J_f
0	0.000	0.58	4	0.00	1.24	6
1	0.051	1.33	(6)	0.11	0.37	4
3	0.227	0.62	. ,	0.13	0.42	3
5	0.444	0.31		0.22	0.77	5
8	0.772	0.61		0.32	0.12	2
9	0.833	0.32		0.87	0.37	5
10	0.975	0.50		0.88	0.38	4
13	1.141	0.03		1.21	0.24	7
22	1.753	0.03		1.58		1
				1.61		2
				2.03	0.06	6
				2.07	0.04	3

* Reference 20.

²¹ R. K. Bansal and J. B. French, Phys. Letters 11, 145 (1964).

on Ti⁴⁷ performed at 21.5 MeV with low resolution. The level at 0.135 MeV is interpreted as a transition to a $d_{3/2}$ hole state, which would correspond to the isomeric state (level No. 2). Likewise, the other two observed states are assigned $l_n=2$ and $l_n=0$, corresponding very likely to level Nos. 6 and/or 7 and to state No. 14, respectively, in this work.

C. The $l_n = 1$ Groups

The $l_n=1$ levels observed in Sc⁴⁶ are due to states of the $2p_{3/2}$ and $2p_{1/2}$ shell-model configuration. By adding all the transition strengths for the $l_n=1$ states in Sc⁴⁶, as given in Tables I and III, the result is

$$\Sigma \left(\frac{2J_f + 1}{2J_i + 1} \right) S = 5.12.$$

The theoretical prediction indicates a sum equal to 6. Taking into consideration the uncertainties in the DWBA calculations²² and the experimental errors, it is considered that the agreement obtained here is good. This indicates that approximately all the levels of the 2p shell-model configuration have been excited in the present work.

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TABLE VI. Sum-rule limits. The experimental data shown in the second column are $\sum [(2J_f+1)/(2J_i+1)]S$ for the observed levels up to 6.0-MeV excitation energy in Sc⁴⁶.

Transition	2s _{1/2}	$1f_{7/2}$	$(2p_{3/2}+2p_{1/2})$	351/2
Theory ^a Experiment	0 0.024 ^ь 0.063°	4.0 4.33	6.0 5.12 ^d	2.0 0.026 ^e 0.044 ^f

• Assuming pure shell-model neutron-proton configuration (see, for example, Ref. 26). ^b Includes level Nos. 12, 19, 21, and 29.

• Includes all the levels with $l_n = 0$. ^d Includes all the levels up to 4.0-MeV excitation but only those with largest cross section between 4.0- and 6.0-MeV excitation energy in Sc⁴⁶. Includes levels with $l_n = 0$ above 2.5-MeV excitation energy.

f Includes all the levels with $l_n = 0$.

No back-angle "dip" effects in the angular distributions, as reported on even-even targets by Lee and Schiffer,23 were observed in the present experiments. This could have permitted differentiation between $p_{3/2}$ and $p_{1/2}$ states.

D. The $l_n = 0$ Groups

A few weak $l_n = 0$ levels are seen at a rather low excitation energy. They are likely due to 2s core excitation. Since the $3s_{1/2}$ -1 $f_{7/2}$ splitting is approximately 5.0 MeV,^{24,25} levels with $l_n=0$ corresponding to the $3s_{1/2}$ configuration should appear at a high excitation energy. If it is assumed that the states below 2.0-MeV excitation energy in Sc^{46} are due to the $2s_{1/2}$ configuration, the sum

²⁵ J. P. Schiffer, L. L. Lee, Jr., and B. Zeidman, Phys. Rev. 115, 427 (1959).

of the transition strength values from Table I is 0.024; if it is assumed that the states with $l_n = 0$ above 2.5-MeV excitation energy in Sc⁴⁶ are due to the $3s_{1/2}$ configuration, the sum of the transition strengths is 0.026. This is 1.3% of the single-particle prediction²⁶ and would indicate that either there are other strong $l_n=0$ states at an excitation energy higher than 6.0 MeV in Sc⁴⁶ or there are several other $l_n=0$ levels with small cross section at an excitation energy higher than 4.0 MeV in Sc⁴⁶ for which the angular distributions were not determined in the present experiment.

In Table VI, the experimental results are compared with the theoretical sum-rule limits for the observed $l_n=0, 1, \text{ and } 3 \text{ transitions.}$

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