

$$I_{(0,3)} = \left[ -\frac{(b+M^2)^3\omega^3}{32b^3} + \frac{M^2\omega^3(b+M^2)}{16b^2} + \frac{m^2\omega(b+M^2)^3}{16b^2} - \frac{m^2M^2\omega(b+M^2)}{4b} \right] I_{(0,0)},$$

$$I_{(-3,0)} = \left[ \frac{(b-M^2)^3\omega^3}{32b^3} - \frac{m^2\omega(b-M^2)^3}{16b^2} \right] I_{(0,0)}, \quad (\text{B4})$$

$$I_{(1,1)} = -\frac{1}{2}\omega I_{(1,0)} + I_{(0,0)},$$

$$I_{(1,2)} = -\omega I_{(0,0)} + \frac{1}{4}\omega^2 I_{(1,0)} + I_{(-1,0)},$$

$$I_{(1,3)} = -\frac{1}{8}\omega^3 I_{(1,0)} + \frac{3}{4}\omega^2 I_{(0,0)} - \frac{3}{2}\omega I_{(-1,0)} + I_{(-2,0)},$$

$$I_{(2,1)} = -\frac{1}{2}\omega I_{(2,0)} + I_{(1,0)},$$

$$I_{(2,2)} = -\omega I_{(1,0)} + \frac{1}{4}\omega^2 I_{(2,0)} + I_{(0,0)},$$

$$I_{(-1,1)} = -\frac{1}{2}\omega I_{(-1,0)} + I_{(-2,0)},$$

$$I_{(-2,1)} = -\frac{1}{2}\omega I_{(-2,0)} + I_{(-3,0)},$$

$$I_{(-1,2)} = \frac{1}{4}\omega^2 I_{(-1,0)} - \omega I_{(-2,0)} + I_{(-3,0)}. \quad (\text{B5})$$

The recurrence relations may be checked by noting that  $\delta((B-p)^2+a)$  fixes  $P \cdot p$ , i.e., using  $p \cdot B = -\frac{1}{2}\omega$ ,

$$P \cdot p = -\frac{1}{2}\omega + p \cdot k. \quad (\text{B6})$$

We can then express  $I_{(1,1)}$  as

$$I_{(1,1)} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^2 \int d^4k \delta(k^2) \delta((P-k)^2+b) \times \int d^4p \delta(p^2+m^2) \delta((B-p)^2+a) \left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}\omega + p \cdot k}{p \cdot k}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}\omega I_{(1,0)} + I_{(0,0)}. \quad (\text{B7})$$

The other recurrence relations may be derived analogously and in general permit the integrals  $I_{(m,n)}$  to be expressed in terms of  $I_{(m,0)}$  and  $I_{(0,n)}$ .

## Electric Dipole Moment of the Neutron: Expected Order of Magnitude

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Sideways dispersion relations yield a theoretically well-defensible "lower limit" on the expected order of magnitude of the neutron electric dipole moment. If  $T$  violation is due to the weak interactions, then  $10^{-24}$  e cm appears as a reasonable expectation, and  $10^{-23}$  e cm the most one can hope for. If  $T$  violation is due to the electromagnetic interactions of hadrons, we still cannot safely expect more than  $10^{-23}$  e cm, although optimistic guesses can easily yield  $6 \times 10^{-22}$  e cm or more.

THE electric dipole moment  $e\beta$  of the neutron would vanish under reflection ( $P$ ) invariance, or under time-reversal ( $T$ ) invariance<sup>1</sup>; since neither is exact,<sup>2</sup> one should estimate the theoretically expected order of magnitude of  $\beta$ . The experimental upper limit,  $\beta < 5 \times 10^{-23}$  cm,<sup>3</sup> already falls below some predictions.<sup>4</sup> Some other models of  $T$  violation predict that  $\beta$  should effectively vanish; we call these null- $\beta$  theories.<sup>5</sup> We discuss first the case where  $T$  violation is due to the weak interactions, and second, the case where it is due

to the electromagnetic (EM) interactions of the hadrons<sup>6</sup> (which remain, however,  $P$ -invariant).

In comparison with our predecessors, we claim only (i) that our input assumptions bridge only those gaps in the experimental situation that cannot at present be sidestepped, (ii) that we are conservative rather than optimistic about the dynamics, and (iii) that we have isolated a less model-dependent and better calibrated expression for certain almost unavoidable contributions, which should set a theoretically well defensible order-of-magnitude "lower limit" on  $\beta$ , unless there are accidental cancellations, or conspiracies which effectively reduce the theory to the null- $\beta$  type.

We begin with weak  $T$  violation. To motivate a fairly careful treatment, recall that a quasidimensional estimate would read thus:  $\beta =$  (strength of  $T$  violation)  $\times$  (strength of  $P$  violation)  $\times$  (typical hadronic length). The first factor is generally agreed at around  $10^{-3}$ ; but

<sup>1</sup> L. D. Landau, Nucl. Phys. 3, 127 (1957).

<sup>2</sup> For references to  $T$  violation, see R. C. Casella, Phys. Rev. Letters 22, 554 (1969).

<sup>3</sup> J. K. Baird *et al.*, Phys. Rev. 179, 1285 (1969).

<sup>4</sup> Some recent predictions are P. Babu and M. Suzuki, Phys. Rev. 162, 1359 (1967):  $\beta > 2.2 \times 10^{-22}$  cm; K. Nishijima, Progr. Theoret. Phys. (Kyoto) 41, 739 (1969):  $2 \times 10^{-22}$  cm; P. McNamee and J. C. Pati, Phys. Rev. 178, 2273 (1968): (0.9 to 1.5)  $\times 10^{-22}$  or (5 to 8)  $\times 10^{-24}$  cm, in two alternative models.

<sup>5</sup> L. Wolfenstein, Phys. Rev. Letters 13, 562 (1964); R. J. Oakes, *ibid.* 20, 1539 (1968). For a difficulty in Oakes' theory: B. H. J. McKellar, *ibid.* 21, 1822 (1968).

<sup>6</sup> J. Bernstein, G. Feinberg, and T. D. Lee, Phys. Rev. 139, B1650 (1960).

the second has varied between  $10^{-7}$  and  $10^{-5}$ , and the third between the nucleon and pion Compton wavelengths,  $2-14 \times 10^{-14}$  cm. The first main assumption is the self-coupled current model<sup>7</sup> of nonleptonic  $P$  violation. Second, we assume that the order of magnitude of joint  $P$  and  $T$  violation at low energies is obtainable quasiphenomenologically by inserting  $T$ -violating phases  $\eta$  into  $P$ -violating amplitudes, and taking, everywhere,  $\eta \approx |\eta_{+-}| \simeq 2 \times 10^{-3}$ , where  $\eta_{+-}$  is the measured amplitude ratio<sup>8</sup>  $(K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)/(K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)$ . Thus,  $T$ -violating admixtures to  $\Delta S = 0$  and  $|\Delta S| = 1$  amplitudes are assumed to be comparable.

These assumptions cover a wide range of detailed models, e.g., those with various universal  $T$ -violating phases<sup>9</sup> and those of the Nishijima and Okubo type.<sup>10</sup>

We estimate  $\beta$  through the sideways dispersion relation<sup>11</sup> for the neutron form factor  $\Gamma_\lambda$ , defined by

$$\Gamma_\lambda(p', p) = i \left( \frac{p_0'}{m} \right)^{1/2} \times \int dx e^{i p x} \langle p' | [j_\lambda(0), \bar{\chi}(x)] \theta(-x_0) | 0 \rangle. \quad (1)$$

$p^2 \equiv W^2$  is the dispersion variable,  $m$  the nucleon mass,  $j_\lambda$  the electromagnetic current density,  $\chi$  the neutron source; and the photon momentum  $k = p' - p$  is kept on shell:  $k^2 = 0$ . Then, for a neutral particle, the Dirac form factor vanishes, and for calculating  $\beta$  a sufficiently general form of  $\Gamma_\lambda$  is

$$\Gamma_\lambda = (2m)^{-1} \bar{u}(p') \{ i \sigma_{\lambda\mu} k^\mu [(m+\not{p})E_2^+ + (m-\not{p})E_2^-] + i \sigma_{\lambda\mu} k^\mu \gamma_5 [(m+\not{p})E_4^+ + (m-\not{p})E_4^-] \}. \quad (2)$$

The form factors  $E_i^\pm$  depend on  $W^2$ ;  $E_2^+(m^2) = \kappa/2m$ , where  $\kappa$  is the Pauli moment, and  $E_4^+(m^2) = -e\beta$ . We assume an unsubtracted dispersion relation for  $E_4^+$ , whence

$$-e\beta = \pi^{-1} \int dW^2 \frac{\text{Im} E_4^+(W^2)}{W^2 - m^2}. \quad (3)$$

The absorptive part  $A_\lambda$  of  $\Gamma_\lambda$ , and  $\text{Im} E_4^+$ , turn out to be

$$A_\lambda = (2\pi)^3 \sum_n \langle p_0'/m \rangle^{1/2} \langle p' | j_\lambda | n \rangle \langle n | \bar{\chi} | 0 \rangle \delta(n-p), \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Im} E_4^+ = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{spin}} \pi A_\lambda (m+\not{p}) m (W^2 - m^2)^{-2} i \sigma^{\lambda\nu} k_\nu \gamma_5 u(p'). \quad (5)$$

Equations (1)–(5) follow from a straightforward modification of standard theory.<sup>11,12</sup>

<sup>7</sup> See S. L. Adler and R. F. Dashen, *Current Algebras* (W. A. Benjamin, Inc., New York, 1968.)

<sup>8</sup> J. W. Cronin, in *Proceedings of the Fourteenth International Conference on High Energy Physics, Vienna, 1968* (CERN, Geneva, 1968), p. 281.

<sup>9</sup> B. G. Kenny, *Ann. Phys. (N. Y.)* **43**, 25 (1967); also, P. McNamee and J. C. Pati (Ref. 4).

<sup>10</sup> K. Nishijima (Ref. 4); S. Okubo, *Nuovo Cimento* **54A**, 491 (1968).

<sup>11</sup> A. M. Bincer, *Phys. Rev.* **118**, 855 (1960).

<sup>12</sup> S. D. Drell and H. R. Pagels, *Phys. Rev.* **140**, B397 (1965).

An integral like (3) has been used successfully by Drell and Pagels<sup>12,13</sup> to calculate the Pauli moments. They retain only the lowest-mass intermediate states, baryon plus (charged) pseudoscalar, and they impose an upper limit  $\Lambda(m+\mu)^2$ , where  $\mu$  is the boson mass and  $\Lambda \approx 2.8$ ; this cutoff secures good numerical results for both isovector and isoscalar moments. It also permits one to use, reasonably,<sup>12</sup> the Born approximation to both amplitudes in (4), relying<sup>14</sup> in part on the Kroll-Ruderman theorem. We follow their precedent, with their value of  $\Lambda$ , and for clarity retain at first only the  $p\pi^-$  state. Thus, the input is the normal pion-nucleon coupling constant  $g_\pi \approx 13.5$ , and the  $P$ - and  $T$ -violating constant  $g_\pi''$ . To find  $g_\pi''$ , consider first the  $P$ -violating but  $T$ -invariant constant  $g_\pi'$  defined by the effective coupling<sup>15</sup>

$$L_1 = i g_\pi' (\bar{p} n \phi^* - \bar{n} p \phi). \quad (6)$$

By our second assumption, we insert a  $T$ -violating phase, obtaining  $i g_\pi' (\bar{p} n \phi^* e^{-i\eta} - \bar{n} p \phi e^{i\eta})$ ; with  $\sin \eta \approx \eta$ , the  $P$ - and  $T$ -violating part is

$$L_2 = g_\pi' \eta (\bar{p} n \phi^* + \bar{n} p \phi), \quad (7)$$

so that  $g_\pi'' = g_\pi' \eta$ . The value of  $g_\pi'$  is obtained by following McKellar<sup>16</sup> and Fischbach,<sup>17</sup> who normalize through the nonleptonic  $S$ -wave hyperon decays, relying on the hypothesis of partially conserved axial-vector current and current algebra. Thus we find  $|g_\pi'| \approx 4 \times 10^{-8}$ ;  $g_\pi'$  is so small because it turns out to be due entirely<sup>16</sup> to the  $\sin^2 \theta$  part of  $H(\text{weak})$ , (where  $\theta$  is the Cabibbo angle,  $\tan \theta \approx 0.2-0.25$ ), whereas the hyperon amplitudes are proportional to  $\sin \theta \cos \theta$ .

Near threshold, the Pauli moments and the dipole moment itself contribute negligibly to (4), and we find

$$|\beta_\pi| \approx \frac{\sqrt{2} |g_\pi g_\pi' \eta| m}{8\pi^2} \int_{(m+\mu)^2}^{\Lambda(m+\mu)^2} \frac{dW^2}{(W^2 - m^2)^2} \ln \left( \frac{q_0 + q}{q_0 - q} \right), \quad (8)$$

$$|\beta_\pi| \approx 0.5 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm},$$

where  $q_0(W^2)$  and  $q(W^2)$  are the intermediate-state proton energy and momentum in the c.m. frame; the suffix on  $\beta_\pi$  identifies the ( $p\pi^-$ ) contribution. If combined  $P$  and  $T$  violation ( $g_\pi''$ ) does not suffer the  $\tan \theta$  suppression affecting  $g_\pi'$ , then  $g_\pi''$  and  $\beta_\pi$  would increase, roughly, by a factor of  $\cot^2 \theta$ , giving  $|\beta_\pi| \approx 10^{-23}$  cm.

Though our method is inspired by the success of Drell and Pagels, the details are rather different. Thus, in the limit  $\mu \rightarrow 0$ , the  $\kappa$  remain finite,<sup>12,13</sup> while  $\beta_\pi$  would diverge logarithmically, eventually yielding as its "leading term"  $\beta_\pi \approx (\sqrt{2} g_\pi g_\pi' \eta / 8\pi^2 m) \ln(m/\mu) \approx 0.8 \times 10^{-24}$  cm. Hence we suspect qualitative estimates of  $\beta$  which use  $\kappa$  as a direct "scaling factor."

<sup>13</sup> H. R. Pagels, *Phys. Rev.* **140**, B999 (1965).

<sup>14</sup> G. W. Gaffney, *Phys. Rev.* **161**, 1599 (1967).

<sup>15</sup> G. Barton, *Nuovo Cimento* **19**, 512 (1961).

<sup>16</sup> B. H. J. McKellar, *Phys. Letters* **26B**, 107 (1967).

<sup>17</sup> E. Fischbach (unpublished report).

Because of the  $\tan\theta$  suppression of  $g_{\pi'}$ , we have evaluated, with the same  $\Lambda$ , the ( $\Sigma^-K^+$ ) contribution  $\beta_K$ . Here  $g_{\pi'}$  is proportional to  $\cos^2\theta$ , and we find  $g_{\pi'} \approx 1.8 \times 10^{-6}$ ; but  $\beta_K$  is suppressed by the higher threshold and by the relatively small value of the strong coupling constant  $g_K \approx 3.5$ .<sup>18</sup> Because the kaon is so massive, the Born approximation is more suspect; nevertheless, the  $K^+$  photoproduction data<sup>19</sup> show that it is quite good in practice. We find

$$|\beta_K| \approx 1.1 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm.} \quad (9)$$

The photoproduction data can be used directly in a modified semiphenomenological calculation, with numerical results close to (8) and (9), respectively.

We also try to guess the contribution of the 1550-MeV  $S_{11}$  resonance, as typical of the resonance region. We use the simplest pole approximation to  $\Gamma_\lambda$ , whereby  $n \rightarrow S_{11} \rightarrow (n+\gamma)$ . In the residue, the electromagnetic factor is taken from the observed photoproduction of the  $S_{11}$  (actually of the charged, not the neutral component):

$$(E_S E_n / m_S m)^{1/2} \langle S_{11} | j_\lambda | n \rangle = e \bar{u}(S_{11}) i \sigma_{\lambda\mu} k^\mu \gamma_5 u(n), \quad (10)$$

where  $\nu \approx 0.96/2m$ ,<sup>20</sup> and  $\nu$  is real under  $T$  invariance.  $T$  and  $P$  are broken in the  $n \rightarrow S_{11}$  factor of the residue. We obtain it by assuming that the form factor corresponding to the coupling  $L_2$  obeys an unsubtracted dispersion relation in the nucleon mass, and that in the absorptive part one need retain only the  $S_{11}$  contribution. This, surely an overestimate, leads immediately to

$$|\beta_{S_{11}}| \approx |\nu g_{\pi'} \eta / g_{S_{11}}| \approx 1.1 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm,} \quad (11)$$

where  $g_{S_{11}} \approx 0.7$  is the strong  $S_{11}\pi^-$  coupling constant.

Finally we consider electromagnetic  $T$  violation. Here one still expects the above contributions, via  $g_{\pi''}$  and  $g_{\pi'}$ , because radiative EM corrections to nonleptonic coupling constants<sup>21</sup> do seem to be of the order  $\alpha/2\pi$ . Intermediate states in (4) containing a photon could contribute comparably. However, the main effect should enter through the  $T$ -violating part of the current  $j_\lambda$  appearing explicitly in (4), and should not be a correction of order  $e^2$  at all. Although  $P$  invariance, current conservation, and Hermiticity force the photon-nucleon vertex (i.e.,  $\Gamma_\lambda$ ) with on-shell nucleons to be automatically  $T$ -invariant,<sup>6</sup> this is not so, say, for the  $S_{11}\gamma$  vertex (10). In such a model one would expect an imaginary part of the amplitude  $\nu$ , and if  $T$  violation in general is to have the characteristic EM strength (unless forbidden accidentally, as in  $\Gamma_\lambda$  on-shell), then

$|\text{Im}\nu|$  should have the same order of magnitude as  $|\nu|$ . A very crude "upper limit" on  $\beta$  can be obtained by adapting the pole model.  $T$  is broken by writing  $\nu \approx i|\nu|$  in (10); and  $S_{11}$  is now assumed to dominate the form factor of the  $P$ -violating but  $T$ -invariant coupling  $L_1$  of Eq. (6). Thus we find

$$|\beta_{S_{11}}| < |\nu g_{\pi'} / g_{S_{11}}| \approx 6 \times 10^{-22} \text{ cm,} \quad (12)$$

well above the experimental limit.

However, we should be on safer ground by allowing for such resonance couplings through Eqs. (1)–(5) with  $p\pi^-$  intermediate states, as follows.  $P$  is broken by using  $L_1$  in the second amplitude in (4), and  $T$  is broken in the first (photoproduction) amplitude through resonance-exchange contributions. We have calculated the contribution of the Roper  $P_{11}$  (1470-MeV) resonance, using a pure-imaginary transition moment  $i|\nu_R|$  with<sup>22</sup>  $|\nu_R| = (g_{Rn\pi}/g_\pi)(\kappa_P/2m)$ ,  $g_{Rn\pi}^2/4\pi \approx 2.5$ , and for simplicity setting  $m_R = m$ ,  $\mu = 0$ . Eventually one finds

$$|\beta_{R,\text{ex}}| = \left( \frac{g_{Rn\pi}}{g_\pi} \right)^2 \frac{\sqrt{2} |g_\pi g_{\pi'} \kappa_P| m}{64\pi^2} \int_{m^2}^{\Lambda m^2} \frac{dW^2}{W^4(W^2 - m^2)^2} \times \left( -(W^4 - m^4) + 2W^4 \ln \frac{W^2}{m^2} \right), \quad (13)$$

$$|\beta_{R,\text{ex}}| \approx 10^{-23} \text{ cm.}$$

The reason that in EM (as compared to weak)  $T$  violation there is a much greater difference between the pole model and the threshold estimate is simply that near threshold the kinematics suppresses the effects of Pauli-type couplings. Further, if the  $Y^*NK$  and  $N^*N\pi$  vertices and the  $Y^*\Sigma\gamma$  and  $N^*N\gamma$  vertices, respectively, are comparable, then the  $\Sigma^-K^+$  intermediate state could appreciably increase both estimates (12) and (13), since in this contribution  $g_{\pi'}$  replaces  $g_{\pi'}$ .

Meanwhile, however, conclusions must rest on the view that the only really well-authenticated contributions are those leaning on the successes of Drell and Pagels,<sup>12,13</sup> i.e., (8), (9), and (13). We believe that these "lower-limit" numbers are unlikely to misrepresent the true near-threshold contributions by more than a factor of 2, granting our basic qualitative assumptions. If  $T$  violation is EM, then (13) suggests that in order to allow a reasonably conclusive confrontation with theory, the experimental limit on  $\beta$  needs to be lowered by at least a factor of 5. In this case, (12) could reflect merely the inadequacy of the pole approximation. If  $T$  violation is weak, then (8), (9), (11), and the remark just below (8), all suggest that the limit needs to be lowered by at least a factor of 10.

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<sup>22</sup> For a summary of the relevant parameters, see T. Muta, Phys. Rev. **171**, 1661 (1968), especially Sec. III B. The vertex is like our Eq. (10) without the  $\gamma_5$ .