Proton-helium elastic scattering from 45 to 400 GeV*

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The elastic proton-helium differential cross section has been determined for incident laboratory energies from 45 to 400 GeV in the range $0.003 \le |t| \le 0.52$ (GeV/c)² by means of the internal-gas-jet-target technique. The differential cross section drops 4-5 orders of magnitude to the first dip at $|t| \simeq 0.22$ (GeV/c)². The shrinkage in the slope of the differential cross section is found to be twice as fast as that in the proton-proton case. The slope parameter at $|t| \simeq 0$ is described by the formula $b = 24 + 1.13 \ln s$, where b is in $(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}$ and s is in GeV^2 . The elastic proton-helium cross section is normalized to the known elastic proton-proton cross section using data taken with a helium and hydrogen mixture as a target. The proton-helium total cross section is determined from the optical theorem. The total cross section rises by 4% between 100 and 400 GeV. Results are presented on the real part of the elasticscattering amplitude and on the total elastic cross section. The experimental differential cross sections are compared to Glauber-model predictions.

I. INTRODUCTION

Previous studies of proton-helium elastic scattering have been made at low and intermediate energies.¹ Results at 24 GeV/c have been reported.² An experiment on the inverse reaction ⁴He-proton elastic scattering at 1.75, 2.51, and 4.13 GeV/nucleon has also been reported.^{3,4} The measurements of e^4 He up to 1 GeV/c (Refs. 5 and 6) and of π^- He at 7.76 GeV/c (Ref. 7) are available in the literature. All these experiments exhibit a diffraction minimum or dip in the differential cross section. Such a structure is more pronounced at higher energies.

There are several theoretical models capable of describing the shape of the differential cross section.^{8,9} Czyż, Leśniak, and others¹⁰⁻¹² have developed the Glauber multiple-scattering model extensively. In this model the first minimum arises due to the interference between the single (k=1) and multiple (k=2, 3, 4,) scattering of the incident particle inside the nucleus. The k = 1 and k=2 imaginary amplitudes cancel at the diffraction minimum. What remains is the coherent sum of the real amplitudes for k = 1-4, imaginary amplitudes (k=3, 4), spin effects and, for k=2, 3, 4 scattering, the amplitudes for the processes going through intermediate inelastic states. The ⁴He is the most compact light nucleus. In the case of p^4 He collisions, inelastic rescattering is expected to be much larger than in another light nucleus. Thus, comparison of the results of proton-proton, proton-deuteron, and protonhelium scattering experiments is a promising way to estimate the most important corrections to the Glauber multiple-scattering model.

In Sec. II we describe the experiment and details of the analysis. The method of absolute normalization of the differential cross section is presented in Sec. III. In Sec. IV and Table I we present our proton-helium data at 45, 97, 146, 200, 259, 301, and 393 GeV. The 45-GeV data was originally taken as two separate experiments at 44.9 GeV and 45.5 GeV. In the differential cross sections shown in Table I, these two sets of data have been averaged. The figures and tables derived from fits to the differential cross sections preserve these data as two independent points and illustrate the reproducibility of the data.

The results of the fits to the low-|t| region are discussed in Sec. V. The tables with a list of parameters include the slope b(s), the *t*-dependence of the slope, the real part of the amplitude at |t|=0, the total p^4 He cross section, and the s dependence of all the above parameters using a linear approximation. In Sec. VI we compare the Glauber-model predictions to the data in the entire t region including the diffraction dip. In Sec. VII we summarize the results.

II. EXPERIMENTAL APPARATUS AND DATA ANALYSIS

The experimental apparatus is shown in Fig. 1. The Fermilab circulating proton beam intercepts a gas target with an average thickness of 4×10^{-7}

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TABLE I. $d\sigma/dt$ differential cross sections for elastic p^{4} He scattering at 45, 97, 146, 200, 259, 301, and 393 GeV. Errors are only statistical, and the error in absolute normalization is $\pm 4.8\%$ as stated in the text.

-t [(GeV/c) ²]	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	-t [(GeV/c) ²]	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	$\frac{-t}{[(\text{GeV}/c)^2]}$	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	$-t$ $[(GeV/c)^2]$	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]
	45	GeV			45 Ge	v	
0.00338	760.4 ± 8.5	0.10116	24.4 ± 0.2	0.28674	0.139 ± 0.011	0.35898	0.174 ± 0.010
0.00473	700.5 ± 7.0	0.10387	21.2 ± 0.4	0.294 04	0.165 ± 0.004	0.36624	0.172 ± 0.005
0.00581	670.2 ± 12.5	0.10671	19.9 ± 0.3	0.30993	0.174 ± 0.013	0.38490	$\textbf{0.169} \pm \textbf{0.011}$
0.00632	657.4 ± 5.3	0.111 83	16.6 ± 0.2	0.31765	0.191 ± 0.005	0,392 55	0.141 ± 0.004
0.007 62	593.4 ± 10.3	0.12121	11.6 ± 0.2	0.33411	0.164 ± 0.011	0.42130	0.121 ± 0.005
0.00815	597.3 ± 3.9	0.12663	9.19 ± 0.12	0.34121	0.183 ± 0.006	0.45042	0.0917 ± 0.0063
0.01031	555.7 ± 5.4	0.13606	6.52 ± 0.14				
0.01072	547.3 ± 9.2	0.14215	4.95 ± 0.09		97 Ge	V	
0.01116	535.9 ± 4.9	0.14743	3.62 ± 0.05	0.003 32	773.9 ± 14.9	0.074 53	59.5 ± 0.7
0.011 68	540.6 ± 5.4	0.15208	3.22 ± 0.10	0.00339	744.1 ± 14.9	0.07701	55.6 ± 0.6
0.012 50	515.2 ± 6.3	0.15857	$\textbf{2.19} \pm \textbf{0.05}$	0.005 68	667.2 ± 6.1	0.07950	50.4 ± 0.5
0.01302	510.4 ± 6.9	0.16394	1.73 ± 0.03	0.00575	663.3 ± 11.1	0.08774	37.8 ± 0.4
0.01326	500.7 ± 7.9	0.17581	0.993 ± 0.030	0.00635	623.5 ± 8.0	0.095 92	27.0 ± 0.2
0.01407	491.2 ± 4.6	0.18113	0.686 ± 0.014	0.007 08	606.3 ± 6.7	0.097 03	26.7 ± 0.3
0.01474	478.2 ± 4.0	0.18930	0.458 ± 0.016	0.007 83	614.6 ± 7.6	0.09986	24.3 ± 0.2
0.01510	454.7 ± 5.8	0.19243	$\textbf{0.334} \pm \textbf{0.016}$	0.008 63	588.0 ± 5.0	0.109 04	17.0 ± 0.2
0.01553	464.7 ± 6.6	0.19323	0.334 ± 0.016	0.008 73	571.3 ± 8.0	0.10999	16.2 ± 0.1
0.01580	458.5 ± 6.2	0.19824	0.256 ± 0.015	0.00946	568.7 ± 7.2	0.11574	12.7 ± 0.1
0.01604	471.6 ± 7.8	0.19897	0.197 ± 0.020	0.01035	562.5 ± 6.3	0.12507	8.81 ± 0.11
0.01815	423.4 ± 3.3	0.19910	0.189 ± 0.019	0.011 00	533.4 ± 5.4	0.13120	7.13 ± 0.09
0.01892	411.7 ± 2.1	0.20036	0.234 ± 0.018	0.011 25	536.3 ± 6.1	0.13926	4.79 ± 0.12
0.02122	376.3 ± 4.7	0.20094	0.162 ± 0.019	0.011 71	517.7 ± 9.1	0.14004	4.85 ± 0.07
0.02190	372.1 ± 3.7	0.20173	0.171 ± 0.017	0.01222	503.7 ± 5.2	0.14726	3.38 ± 0.04
0.02265	366.6 ± 5.1	0.201 81	0.180 ± 0.011	0.012 92	500.1 ± 5.2	0.16326	1.61 ± 0.04
0.02378	350.9 ± 3.0	0.202 57	0.150 ± 0.013	0.01474	454.6 ± 7.9	0.16615	1.28 ± 0.03
0.025 02	336.5 ± 3.7	0.212 60	0.0760 ± 0.0084	0.01488	453.3 ± 7.9	0.17495	0.781 ± 0.023
0.02607	329.9 ± 4.8	0.21345	0.0644 ± 0.0108	0.01500	465.8 ± 5.0	0.17874	0.674 ± 0.027
0.02643	318.1 ± 4.1	0.21349	0.0549 ± 0.0071	0.01528	456.5 ± 4.5	0.184 59	0.413 ± 0.012
0.027 57	312.3 ± 3.0	0.214 89	0.0586 ± 0.0066	0.01641	440.3 ± 3.8	0.19194	0.267 ± 0.013
0.02875	296.8 ± 1.9	0.21630	0.0571 ± 0.0003	0.01722	428.3 ± 4.7	0.19395	0.205 ± 0.016
0.031 83	268.0 ± 3.6	0.21717	0.0560 ± 0.0096	0.01932	407.2 ± 5.0	0.20179	$\textbf{0.110} \pm \textbf{0.011}$
0.03418	247.4 ± 2.5	0.22033	0.0242 ± 0.0076	0.01961	390.8 ± 4.0	0.20402	$\textbf{0.0899} \pm \textbf{0.0055}$
0.034 92	250.0 ± 4.1	0.22110	0.0342 ± 0.0067	0.01993	386.8 ± 6.9	0.20870	0.0532 ± 0.0067
0.03643	237.0 ± 3.6	0.22336	0.0320 ± 0.0050	0.02010	$\textbf{390.2} \pm \textbf{6.9}$	0.21692	0.0200 ± 0.0034
0.03729	222.3 ± 2.8	0.22473	0.0197 ± 0.0051	0.020 59	381.4 ± 4.2	0.222 33	0.0133 ± 0.0023
0.03772	216.9 ± 3.1	0,22747	0.0102 ± 0.0043	0.02317	349.1 ± 4.4	0.22512	0.0111 ± 0.0023
0.04026	203.8 ± 1.9	0.231 29	0.0330 ± 0.0049	0.024 54	328.1 ± 3.8	0.23357	0.0167 ± 0.0034
0.04337	186.4 ± 2.5	0.23340	0.0271 ± 0.0043	0.029 58	292.4 ± 3.8	0.23367	0.0144 ± 0.0034
0.045 04	175.2 ± 2.1	0.23030	0.0290 ± 0.0040	0.029.92	277.8 ± 3.2	0.24036	0.0211 ± 0.0034
0.04587	169.8 ± 2.8	0.238 60	0.0325 ± 0.0043	0.03113	268.1 ± 3.2	0.24983	0.0455 ± 0.0044
0.04668	163.9 ± 1.3	0.24011	0.0401 ± 0.0004	0.034 66	233.9 ± 2.8	0.25548	0.0576 ± 0.0067
0.04912	151.0 ± 1.8	0.242 94	0.0310 ± 0.00000	0.03677	216.5 ± 3.3	0.25797	0.0599 ± 0.0044
0.05427	120.4 ± 2.1	0.24370	0.0318 ± 0.0039	0.042 41	188.1 ± 2.3	0.26779	0.0909 ± 0.0055
0.05032	118.0 ± 1.1	0.24383	0.0420 ± 0.0030	0.04710	160.4 ± 2.0	0.27827	0.112 ± 0.010
0.056 69	107.7 ± 0.9	0.24001	0.0441 ± 0.0010 0.0521 ± 0.0051	0.049 06	141.3 ± 1.6	0.28440	0.129 ± 0.004
0.06644	83 9 1 9 8	0 247 68	0.0485 ± 0.0059	0.05096	135.7 ± 2.0	0.29111	0.140 ± 0.008
0.060.38	77.0 ± 0.0	0 254 34	0.0466 ± 0.0000	0.051 98	133.0 ± 1.8	0.29600	0.152 ± 0.011
0.075.90	59.3 ± 0.5	0 261 81	0.0010 ± 0.0010	0.061 00	96.6±0.9	0.31543	0.160 ± 0.009
0.077 79	56 5 + 0 6	0.262.70	0.0815 ± 0.0083	0.070 57	67.8 ± 0.6	0.33431	0.149 ± 0.009
0.08112	50.3 ± 0.5	0.264 20	0.0798 + 0.0072		146 (GeV	
0.08792	40.2 ± 0.4	0.265.05	0.0880 ± 0.0090	0,003 56	757.0 + 12:1	0.006 62	626.8 + 7.0
0.089.08	36.5 ± 0.6	0.26832	0.113 + 0.007	0.004 62	705.0 ± 12.0	0.00815	595.9 ± 6.2
0.09031	37.2 ± 0.8	0.26919	0.105 ± 0.008	0.00525	675.1 ± 7.3	0.008 96	585.5 ± 5.9
0.093 52	32.2 ± 0.3	0.271 44	0.114 ± 0.006	0.005 92	659.4 ± 4.5	0.009 08	571.0 ± 8.1
0.098 45	27.3 ± 0.2	0.278 30	0.127 ± 0.008	0.006 00	653.0 ± 6.6	0.00983	562.0 ± 4.5

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-t [(GeV/c) ²]	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	-t [(GeV/c) ²]	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	-t [(GeV/c) ²]	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	-t [(GeV/c) ²]	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]
	146	GeV			200 (GeV	
0.01074	541 3 + 3 9	0.09912	23.6 ± 0.2	0 100 45	21.6 ± 0.1	0 240 52	0.0217 ± 0.0036
0.01140	5267 ± 47	0 1 0 2 8 2	23.0 ± 0.2 21.0+0.2	0.105.65	17.5 ± 0.1	0.242.31	0.0217 ± 0.0036 0.0317 ± 0.0036
0.011.68	531 5 + 3 7	0.112.90	13.9 ± 0.1	0.111.04	14.4 ± 0.1	0 244 98	0.0323 ± 0.0036
0.01216	529.7 ± 8.1	0.11915	10.9 ± 0.1	0 113 96	12.7 ± 0.1	0 249 33	0.0502 ± 0.0000
0.012.68	505.0 ± 3.2	0 128 74	6.94 ± 0.10	0.110.00	9.48 ± 0.11	0.253 50	0.0543 ± 0.0046
0.01338	493 8+4 5	0 135 03	5.61 ± 0.08	0.12649	7.52 ± 0.09	0.257.35	0.0666 ± 0.0010
0.01546	462.4 + 3.2	0.15148	2.52 ± 0.03	0.13685	4.73 ± 0.09	0.261 96	0.0756 ± 0.0046
0.01584	457.6 ± 3.3	0.16149	1.55 ± 0.03	0.14296	3.56 ± 0.06	0.26647	0.0877 ± 0.0052
0.01781	420.3 ± 3.0	0.16796	1.07 ± 0.03	0.14907	2.63 ± 0.03	0.27592	0.102 ± 0.003
0.02001	399.8 ± 4.5	0.17089	0.891 ± 0.022	0.15396	2.32 ± 0.05	0.288 62	0.128 ± 0.007
0.02027	388.3 ± 2.4	0.179 92	0.522 ± 0.021	0.16611	1.12 ± 0.01	0.301 69	0.138 ± 0.003
0.02071	383.3 ± 4.2	0,18387	0.425 ± 0.022	0.18420	0.378 ± 0.009	0.31496	0.147 ± 0.007
0.02396	345.3 ± 4.0	0.18983	0.260 ± 0.009	0.19845	0.108 ± 0.012	0.33124	0.149 ± 0.003
0.02538	328.7 ± 3.4	0.19736	0.138 ± 0.009	0.20236	0.0727 ± 0.0085	0.35801	0.139 ± 0.003
0.02566	330.4 ± 2.2	0.199 51	0.114 ± 0.012	0.20512	0.0648 ± 0.0064	0.38482	0.121 ± 0.004
0.030 56	271.8 ± 3.2	0.20977	0.0334 ± 0.0052	0.20646	0.0410 ± 0.0064	0.41319	0.102 ± 0.003
0.03089	271.2 ± 2.8	0.21458	0.0209 ± 0.0042	0,21375	0.0200 ± 0.0031	0.44397	0.0722 ± 0.0031
0.03576	229.6 ± 2.5	0.22859	0.0094 ± 0.0020	0.21781	0.0076 ± 0.0021	0.47632	0.0519 ± 0.0032
0.037 97	217.0 ± 2.7	0.23146	0.0042 ± 0.0020	0.22599	0.0151 ± 0.0051	0.50900	0.0298 ± 0.0032
0.04374	172.8 ± 2.0	0.24012	0.0209 ± 0.0031	0.22739	0.0110 ± 0.0045		
0.04486	167.8 ± 1.8	0.24029	0.0167 ± 0.0042		259	GeV	
0.050 60	134.2 ± 1.4	0.24709	0.0376 ± 0.0042		100		
0.05252	132.0 ± 1.6	0.25682	0.0543 ± 0.0052	0.00388	729.0 ± 8.5	0.08872	33.9 ± 0.4
0.05375	125.1 ± 1.2	0.26270	0.0793 ± 0.0073	0.00719	629.6 ± 6.3	0.092 58	29.6 ± 0.3
0.06112	93.3 ± 1.0	0.26519	0.0783 ± 0.0052	0.00922	578.4 ± 5.0	0.097 58	24.9 ± 0.3
0.06280	90.5 ± 1.0	0.27481	0.105 ± 0.004	0.00946	569.3 ± 7.0	0.10031	22.2 ± 0.2
0.06491	84.2 ± 1.0	0.28610	0.108 ± 0.009	0.01277	512.6 ± 6.6	0.10274	19.6 ± 0.2
0.07142	66.6 ± 0.7	0.29231	0.127 ± 0.005	0.01333	502.6 ± 5.8	0.10673	17.2 ± 0.1
0.07272	62.7 ± 0.6	0.29921	0.144 ± 0.007	0.01435	488.2 ± 5.4	0.11218	13.9 ± 0.1
0.07676	55.8 ± 0.7	0.30432	0.143 ± 0.009	0.01509	465.4 ± 5.9	0.11509	12.2 ± 0.1
0.07934	50.4 ± 0.5	0.31198	0.148 ± 0.005	0.01605	401.4 ± 4.7	0.12196	9.16 ± 0.12
0.081 91	44.3 ± 0.4	0.32418	0.144 ± 0.008	0.01084	439.3 ± 4.0	0.12777	7.19 ± 0.09
0.08394	41.5 ± 0.4	0.33747	0.147 ± 0.005	0.01717	430.0 ± 4.2	0.13822	4.47 ± 0.08
0.08827	35.9 ± 0.4	0.34357	0.171 ± 0.007	0.020.02	391.0 ± 4.0 384 7 + 4 3	0.14440	3.35 ± 0.00
0.09037	33.4 ± 0.4	0.363 97	0.147 ± 0.005	0.021 12	3775+28	0.151.25	2.32 ± 0.04 1 41 ± 0.04
0.09310	29.8 ± 0.3	0.38451	0.0678 ± 0.0031	0.021 52	3368 ± 33	0.165.54	1.41 ± 0.04 1.13 ± 0.03
	200 (GeV		0.02102	322.3 + 3.5	0 168 05	1.00 ± 0.030
0 003 82	716 6 + 7 0	0.02976	2787 + 29	0.02716	309.2 + 3.2	0.18071	0.430 ± 0.021
0.00532	6528 ± 63	0.031.08	267.0 ± 2.5	0.02867	294.0 ± 3.3	0.18657	0.293 ± 0.009
0.00658	628.9 ± 8.0	0.03245	252.4 ± 1.6	0.030 09	286.6 ± 3.0	0.207 08	0.0380 ± 0.0053
0.007.08	615.2 ± 5.0	0.03584	223.8 ± 2.0	0.031 44	267.2 ± 3.1	0.20845	0.0199 ± 0.0060
0.00730	620.0 ± 7.2	0.038 56	206.4 ± 2.2	0.03279	254.3 ± 1.9	0.21584	0.0107 ± 0.0033
0.009.09	578.7 ± 4.5	0.03948	202.4 ± 2.5	0.03623	225.1 ± 2.4	0.21989	0.0073 ± 0.0026
0.00934	563.8 ± 5.7	0.041 23	185.0 ± 2.2	0.038 99	208.2 ± 2.3	0.22645	0.0060 ± 0.0026
0.011 64	518.1 ± 5.3	0.04248	178.4 ± 1.7	0.03993	198.6 ± 2.1	0.229 56	0.0119 ± 0.0040
0.01248	507.5 + 3.7	0.04543	161.8 ± 1.3	0.042 93	179.7 ± 2.0	0.230 60	0.0099 ± 0.0026
0.01316	504.0 ± 4.7	0.05083	136.1 ± 2.0	0.04589	161.3 ± 1.4	0.24286	0.0478 ± 0.0066
0.01417	476.6 ± 4.2	0.052 65	125.8 ± 1.0	0.04943	139.7 ± 1.9	0.24460	0.0341 ± 0.0040
0.01491	467.2 ± 4.7	0.05540	114.3 ± 1.2	0.051 38	134.5 ± 1.7	0.24715	0.0518 ± 0.0039
0.01585	457.5 ± 4.2	0.061 45	93.4 ± 1.2	0.05345	122.5 ± 1.5	0.25172	0.0601 ± 0.0060
0.01677	434.4 ± 2.5	0.06342	86.8 ± 0.9	0.055 99	110.9 ± 1.2	0.255 90	0.0707 ± 0.0046
0.01794	418.8 ± 3.3	0.06645	76.7 ± 0.7	0.062 08	92.6 ± 1.3	0.25985	0.0741 ± 0.0112
0.02036	390.9 ± 4.2	0.07416	58.3 ± 0.5	0.06410	82.0 ± 0.7	0.26429	0.0890 ± 0.0078
0.02124	374.9 ± 1.9	0.07851	49.7 ± 0.4	0.06715	75.8 ± 0.7	0.26900	0.0946 ± 0.0054
0.02443	337.1 ± 2.3	0.08315	41.3 ± 0.5	0.07380	59.8 ± 0.7	0.27884	$\boldsymbol{0.115 \pm 0.003}$
0.02544	325.4 ± 3.0	0.08693	36.0 ± 0.3	0.07932	48.1 ± 0.4	0.29134	0.124 ± 0.010
0.02684	309.5 ± 2.7	0.091 58	30.5 ± 0.2	0.084 03	41.1 ± 0.5	0.30021	0.150 ± 0.005
0.02835	295.3 ± 2.7	0.09659	25.1 ± 0.3	0.08655	36.9 ± 0.4	0.30822	0.152 ± 0.004

TABLE I. (Continued).

$-t$ $[(GeV/c)^2]$	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	-t [(GeV/c) ²]	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	-t [(GeV/c) ²	$d\sigma/dt$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]	$-t$ $[(GeV/c)^2]$	$\frac{d\sigma/dt}{[mb/(GeV/c)^2]}$
	250 C		[110, (11, 1, 0, 1]		201		
	259 Ge	3V			301	Gev	
0.31794	0.143 ± 0.010	0.41639	0.0909 ± 0.0029	0.388 98	0.0980 ± 0.0032	0.48243	0.0428 ± 0.0027
0.32707	0.128 ± 0.009	0.44767	0.0598 ± 0.0026	0.41760	0.0822 ± 0.0028	0.51534	0.0332 ± 0.0034
0.33551	0.152 ± 0.004	0.48049	0.0393 ± 0.0025	0.44944	0.0551 ± 0.0025		
0.36113	0.138 ± 0.003	0.51373	0.0340 ± 0.0033		393 (GeV	
0.387 59	0.115 ± 0.003			0.003.85	720 0 10 1	0 109 09	194104
	301 G	eV		0.00333	630.9 ± 10.1	0.103 92	16.4 ± 0.4
0 009 95	717 9 10 5	0.080.43	$31 3 \pm 0 5$	0.00713	507.7 ± 6.0	0.10740	10.0 ± 0.1
0.003 85	111.0 ± 9.0	0.00945	28.7 ± 0.2	0.009.48	591.1 ± 0.0	0.112.95	12.9 ± 0.2 11.4±0.1
0.00715	696.4 ± 0.0	0.09271	20.1 ± 0.2	0.00340	540 1 + 6 7	0.110.91	11.4 ± 0.1 9 56 ± 0.10
0.00715	520.4 ± 7.1	0.101.05	23.4 ± 0.2	0.01278	540.1 ± 0.7	0.122 91	6.00±0.19
0.007.38	590.0 ± 7.1	0,101 85	19.7 ± 0.1	0.01275	511.0 ± 7.7 519.1 ± 7.0	0.120 07	0.08 ± 0.09
0.008 83	504.4 ± 0.1	0.1107.01	10.4 ± 0.2	0.01333	312.1 ± 7.0	0.13920	4.10 ± 0.09
0.00920	507.1 ± 4.0	0.11244	13.1 ± 0.1	0.01439	493.9 ± 0.3	0.14543	3.14 ± 0.07
0.00944	560.7 ± 5.6	0.11534	11.6 ± 0.1	0.01515	490.9 ± 1.2	0.15118	$2,16 \pm 0.04$
0.01176	523.2 ± 5.5	0.122.24	8.49 ± 0.10	0.01009	400.3 ± 3.7	0.163 44	1.21 ± 0.05
0.01243	513.9 ± 0.1	0.12810	0.08 ± 0.08	0.017.02	401.2 ± 0.4	0.16920	0.809 ± 0.018
0.01433	479.4 ± 4.3	0.138 56	4.02 ± 0.08	0.01004	437.0 ± 5.5	0.182.05	0.415 ± 0.024
0.01507	464.7 ± 4.7	0.14478	3.15 ± 0.06	0.020 07	399.1 ± 0.1 377.9 ± 9.6	0.100 00	0.247 ± 0.009
0.01605	448.5 ± 4.3	0.151 02	2.24 ± 0.03	0.021 00	311.2 ± 2.0	0.201 91	0.0625 ± 0.0118
0.01696	434.0 ± 2.0	0.15586	1.86 ± 0.05	0.02483	342.9 ± 3.0	0.20589	0.0441 ± 0.0085
0.01815	419.4 ± 3.3	0.16781	0.930 ± 0.013	0.02584	328.5 ± 4.1	0.208 69	0.0284 ± 0.0088
0.02062	387.6 ± 4.4	0.18660	0.274 ± 0.008	0.02727	315.0 ± 3.7	0.210.04	0.0100 ± 0.0079
0.021 47	374.1 ± 1.9	0.200 97	0.0789 ± 0.0090	0.03023	285.3 ± 3.5	0.21750	0.0073 ± 0.0060
0.02473	328.4 ± 2.3	0.204 84	0.0581 ± 0.0080	0.031 58	267.4 ± 3.5	0.221 62	0.0092 ± 0.0053
0.02576	317.9 ± 3.0	0.207 64	0.0529 ± 0.0047	0.032.95	253.7 ± 2.2	0.22821	0.0193 ± 0.0053
0.02716	300.9 ± 2.7	0.20900	0.0351 ± 0.0070	0.03641	225.4 ± 2.7	0.229 94	0.0125 ± 0.0066
0.028 69	293.0 ± 2.7	0.21646	0.0039 ± 0.0024	0.03917	208.5 ± 2.7	0.231 34	0.0183 ± 0.0081
0.03010	278.1 ± 3.1	0.22049	0.0024 ± 0.0019	0.041 90	186.2 ± 2.1	0.23242	0.0132 ± 0.0046
0.031 48	261.2 ± 2.5	0.22713	0.0119 ± 0.0033	0.04317	177.6 ± 2.3	0.244 75	0.0384 ± 0.0074
0.032 63	247.7 ± 2.4	0.22876	0.0085 ± 0.0047	0.04614	160.1 ± 1.5	0.24654	0.0542 ± 0.0053
0.03626	220.5 ± 2.1	0.23020	0.0127 ± 0.0047	0.04970	138.6 ± 2.2	0.24913	0.0539 ± 0.0061
0.039 02	201.9 ± 2.3	0.231 24	0.0123 ± 0.0033	0.051.67	128.1 ± 1.9	0.253 69	0.0808 ± 0.0079
0.041 72	186.6 ± 2.3	0.243 58	0.0378 ± 0.0048	0.05339	121.8 ± 1.1	0.257 95	0.0824 ± 0.0067
0.042 98	174.2 ± 1.7	0.24528	0.0454 ± 0.0043	0.05631	113.1 ± 1.4	0.261 89	0.0985 ± 0.0141
0.045 95	157.2 ± 1.1	0.24784	0.0464 ± 0.0039	0.06247	89.6 ± 1.5	0.26641	0.0957 ± 0.0107
0.049 51	138.5 ± 2.0	0.25242	0.0647 ± 0.0075	0.06475	81.9 ± 1.0	0.278 61	0.116 ± 0.003
0.051 44	128.1 ± 1.8	0.25662	0.0761 ± 0.0057	0.067 57	75.2 ± 0.8	0.29370	0.121 ± 0.012
0.05328	122.5 ± 1.0	0.260 62	0.0743 ± 0.0071	0.07428	58.1 ± 0.8	0.307 07	0.142 ± 0.004
0.05607	109.8 ± 1.1	0.26502	0.0805 ± 0.0058	0.076 42	52.6 ± 0.7	0.32051	0.142 ± 0.013
0.06217	88.2 ± 1.1	0.26977	0.0915 ± 0.0058	0.07983	46.0 ± 0.5	0.33723	0.141 ± 0.004
0.06413	82.0 ± 0.8	0.27891	0.110 ± 0.003	0.084 56	40.1 ± 0.5	0.36412	0.127 ± 0.004
0.067 27	72.4 ± 0.6	0.29217	0.130 ± 0.006	0.08713	35.6 ± 0.4	0.39096	0.101 ± 0.004
0.07509	55.2 ± 0.4	0.30544	0.142 ± 0.003	0.08933	32.4 ± 0.5	0.42034	0.0787 ± 0.0033
0.07948	46.8 ± 0.4	0.31887	0.140 ± 0.007	0.09313	28.2 ± 0.3	0.451 54	0.0561 ± 0.0030
0.08421	39.2 ± 0.4	0.33514	0.139 ± 0.003	0.09823	23.0 ± 0.3	0.48476	0.0382 ± 0.0029
0.08671	35.0 ± 0.3	0.362 51	0.122 ± 0.003	0.101.01	20.7 ± 0.3	0.51808	0.0268 ± 0.0034

 g/cm^2 and a jet width (rms) of ±3 mm. The gasjet pulse length is 100 msec and occurs at two energies during the accelerator ramp cycle. During the "live time" of the gas jet the value of the actual beam energy is written into the computer every 40 msec. The variation of primary energy over the jet pulse length is ±8 GeV or less depending on the accelerator rate of rise. and 90% of the gas is removed by a 5000-1/sec diffusion pump. The remainder is removed from the accelerator vacuum chamber by 8 diffusion pumps spaced at 5-m intervals upstream and downstream from the target. These pumps constitute a differential pumping system and reduce the helium partial pressure to 10^{-9} mm Hg beyond the last upstream and downstream pumps.

Helium is injected into a 250-1 buffer volume,

The target is viewed at near 90° by sets of



FIG. 1. Schematic representation of the apparatus.

stacks of solid-state detectors. Each stack consists of two silicon detectors with typical dimensions of $5 \times 30 \text{ mm}^2$. The thickness of the front detectors ranges from 15 to 250 μ m and of the back detectors from 200 to 1500 μ m. The detectors have a noise of 50 keV and energy resolutions of 50-150 keV. The six movable stacks are installed at 7.2 m from the target inside of the vacuum chamber, which, together with the "ionguide" connecting it with the target chamber, forms a remotely movable arm. The range of laboratory angles covered by the detectors is 84.5°-89.7° (relative to the beam direction). The relative position of the detector arm is measured with accuracy ± 0.02 mrad; the relative angles between stacks are known with accuracy ± 0.025 mrad and remain constant for the whole experiment.

The 7.2-m distance from the target and the detector dimensions yields a geometric resolution of $\Delta \theta = \pm 0.7$ mrad. The resulting kinetic-energy uncertainty $\Delta T/T = 2 \Delta \theta/\theta$, where θ is the recoil angle with respect to 90°, is good enough to provide separation between the elastic and inelastic reactions. Two additional permanently fixed stacks are used to monitor the jet-beam interaction rate. During readout of a stack, the inputs to all other stacks are inhibited. Thus, all channels have the same dead-time percentage (3%). A typical counting rate is about 1000 events per beam spill distributed over eight stacks.

The |t| interval studied is $0.003 \le |t| \le 0.52$ (GeV/c)² corresponding to recoil angles of $6 \le \theta \le 96$ mrad and ranges of $2 \le R \le 1800 \mu$ m silicon. The multiple scattering of the outgoing recoil particle in the target gas is negligible except at the smallest |t| values. In the worst case, at $|t| \approx 0.003$ $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$, the multiple scattering mainly affects the energy resolution, but the corrections to the cross section are smaller than 1%.

The detectors are calibrated against a $^{234}_{90}$ Th α -particle source. When compared with survey measurements, the absolute angles determined from the elastic peak show an offset difference of 0.3 mrad; this is consistent with the absolute angular uncertainty estimated to be less than ± 0.2 mrad. The magnetic-field action on the recoils is reduced by shielding to ≤ 0.03 G in order to minimize angular errors at low |t|. At |t| = 0.003 (GeV/c)² the remaining field can cause at most an angular change of ≤ 0.12 mrad.

The first step in the analysis is to separate coherent ⁴He recoils from H, D, T, ³He. The energies in MeV deposited in the detector sandwiches are sorted into 256×256 plots of the front detector T_F versus the back detector T_B . The mass of a ⁴He particle stopping in the back element is deduced from the known range-energy relation and is given by the empirical formula

$$m = m_{p} \left[\frac{\alpha}{d_{F}} \left| \left(T_{F} + T_{B} \right)^{\beta} - T_{B}^{\beta} \right| \right]^{1/(\beta-1)} Z^{-2}, \qquad (1)$$

where $\alpha = 13.3$, $\beta = 1.73$, and d_F is the thickness of the front detector in μ m. In Figs. 2(a) and 2(b) we plot the recoil mass distribution for t = -0.149 and $-0.450 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$, respectively. The ⁴He, ³He mass separation is excellent at these |t| values.

For the separated ⁴He recoils the momentum spectra are obtained and described by a formula which contains Gaussian plus polynomial back-



FIG. 2. Mass distribution obtained from the two-dimensional plot using relation (1). The peaks corresponding to isotopes ³He, ⁴He are shown,

ground terms. The number of elastic-scattering events is calculated as the sum over the peak within the limit $\pm 4\sigma$. The number of background events under the elastic peak is usually 1-3%except for the region of the diffraction minimum. In the dip region, $t \simeq -0.22$ (GeV/c)², the p^4 He elastic cross section drops 5 orders of magnitude, and the systematic uncertainty is about $\pm 50\%$ due to inelastic background subtraction.

The results from an analysis of the inelastic p^{4} He reactions are presented in the accompanying paper¹³ on coherent proton diffraction dissociation of helium from 45 to 400 GeV.

III. ABSOLUTE NORMALIZATION

The ratios of the proton-helium to the protonproton differential cross section have been obtained from auxiliary measurements using a hydrogen/helium mixture as a target. Three of the movable stacks and one of the two fixed monitoring stacks are used to observe pp elastic scattering. The other half of the detector stacks are used to see p^4 He elastic scattering.

The absolute value of $d\sigma_{\rm pHe}/d\omega$ is calculated from the relation

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\rho_{\rm He}}}{d\omega} = \frac{n_{\rm He}}{n_{\rho}} \frac{\Delta\omega_{\rho}}{\Delta\omega_{\rm He}} \frac{k_{\rho}}{k_{\rm He}} \frac{d\sigma_{\rho\rho}}{d\omega} , \qquad (2)$$

where *n* is the number of elastic-scattering events, $\Delta \omega$ is the solid angle of the stack, *k* is the atomic concentration of gas and $d\sigma_{pp}/d\omega$ is the known differential cross section for elastic *pp* scattering. The auxiliary experiment has been done at nine energies: 49, 66, 90, 161, 200, 258, 280, 301, and 393 GeV in a range 0.001 < |t| < 0.02 for *pp* and 0.007 < |t| < 0.11 (GeV/*c*)² for *p*⁴He. Since this is a new technique, there are a number of concerns we have about possible systematic errors. The mixture ratio could change as the gas emerged from the gas-jet nozzle. To examine this possibility we looked for a possible time struc-



FIG. 3. Total cross section for p^{4} He interactions. The straight line is calculated according to the geometric-scaling relation, σ_{tot} proportional to b, the slope parameter (see Table IV). The dashed area is the 1-standard-deviation corridor uncertainty.



FIG. 4. Examples of the differential cross section of p^{4} He elastic scattering: (a) E_{lab} =45 GeV, (b) E_{lab} =301 GeV.

ture in the ratio $n_{\rm He}/n_p$ within the 100-msec spill. We also compared the shape and width of the hydrogen and helium jets obtained by unfolding them from the elastic pulse-height distribution

			Lowe	$\operatorname{st} t$	Highe	st t	Dipr	region
	Dependent	Dependent	$E_{ m lab}$	Highest $E_{ m lab}$	Lowest $E_{ m lab}$	Highest $E_{ m lab}$	$t_{ m min} \simeq -0.24~({ m GeV}/c)^2$ Lowest $E_{ m lab}$	$t_{\min} \simeq -0.22 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$ Highest E_{lab}
	on t	on E _{lab}	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
ollimator area	No	No	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
lonitor (statistical								
error)	No	No	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
bsolute angular scale								
uncertainty ±0.2 mrad	Yes	Noa	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	2.0	2.0
agnetic field	Yes	No	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0
ackground (residual								
gas)	No	No	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
elastic background	Yes	Yes	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	50.0
bsolute normalization	No	No	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8

TABLE III. Total elastic cross section, and po	sition
and height of the second maximum. The systemat	ic
error in $\sigma_{tot el}$ is ± 1.24 mb.	

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E _{lab} (GeV)	σ _{tot el} (mb)	$[-t_{\rm sec\ max}]$	$(d\sigma/dt)_{\rm sec\ max}$ [mb/(GeV/c) ²]
45	23.09 ± 0.23	0.319	0.190 ± 0.015
46	22.80 ± 0.23	0.318	0.184 ± 0.016
97	22.26 ± 0.22	0.321	0.160 ± 0.010
146	22.37 ± 0.22	0.328	0.167 ± 0.010
200	22.18 ± 0.22	0.324	$\textbf{0.166} \pm \textbf{0.010}$
259	22.54 ± 0.23	0.326	0.150 ± 0.016
301	22.11 ± 0.22	0.327	0.153 ± 0.012
393	22.93 ± 0.23	0.333	0.147 ± 0.010

using elastic kinematics. No differences were seen.

To look for longer-term time variation, we plotted the ratio of the number of detected elastic events for pp and p⁴He collisions from run to run for the two fixed stacks. This ratio remains constant during the data-collection time of about 30 h (16 independent runs). We conclude that the ratio of luminosities of the partial targets (hydrogen and helium) is independent of time.

An additional check of this technique has been performed using a hydrogen-deuterium mixture as a target. In this case both differential cross sections are known. From the measured ratio n_p/n_d we deduce the absolute value of the differential pd cross section and, using the optical theorem, calculate the total cross section for pdinteractions: $\sigma_{tot}(pd) = 73.24 \pm 0.47$ mb at E = 49GeV and 74.61 ± 0.47 mb at E = 259 GeV. This is in good agreement with the data by Carrol *et al.*¹⁴

The auxiliary experiment with a hydrogen-helium mixture has been done at a limited number of angular points. The data obtained are used only for absolute normalization of the relative cross sections measured in the course of the main experiment.

Normalization is done as follows. Using a starting value for the total cross section, fits are made to the data of the main experiment by techniques described in Sec. IV. Once parameters describing the shape of the differential cross section are found, the mixture data is used to find the correct normalization for the main experiment. With normalization now fixed, a new fit is done to the main experiment data and iteration continued until the parameters are stable. Since the energy of the primary beam in these two sets of measurement is slightly different, corresponding interpolation is done.

Results are shown in Fig. 3. The errors shown are only statistical. The systematic error is

$E_{ m lab}$ (GeV)	σ ^{pHe} (mb)	ρ	b[(GeV/c) ⁻²]	c[(GeV/c) ⁻⁴]	χ^2 /No. of points
45	121.1 ± 1.0	-0.056 ± 0.030	31.4 ± 0.4	-25 ± 3	81/72
46	121.4 ± 0.9	-0.012 ± 0.032	32.0 ± 0.4	-19 ± 3	56/60
97	120.3 ± 0.9	-0.053 ± 0.026	32.1 ± 0.3	-23 ± 3	98/57
146	121.8 ± 0.8	-0.024 ± 0.024	32.5 ± 0.3	-25 ± 3	100/71
200	122.3 ± 0.7	$+0.041 \pm 0.023$	32.9 ± 0.3	-25 ± 2	59/73
259	123.9 ± 0.7	$+0.046 \pm 0.031$	33.5 ± 0.3	-21 ± 3	55/60
301	122.8 ± 0.7	$+0.042 \pm 0.030$	33.4 ± 0.3	-24 ± 3	58/65
393	125.9 ± 0.6	$+0.102 \pm 0.035$	34.2 ± 0.4	-21 ± 3	54/64
Systematic error	±2.4%	±0.05	±0.16	±0.7	

TABLE IV. The parameters of Bethe's formula Eqs. (3)–(5) describing the differential cross section for elastic p^4 He scattering in an interval $0.003 \le t \le 0.11$ (GeV/c)².

hard to estimate given some of the problems discussed above. The hydrogen/helium mixture is 48.33%/51.56%. This ratio is known with a precision of ±4%. The corresponding uncertainty in σ_{tot}^{PHe} is ±2.5 mb. There are two additional sources of systematic uncertainty in σ_{tot}^{PHe} . Background subtraction in the mixture experiment contributes an uncertainty of ±1.5 mb. Extrapolation to the optical point depends on the model used. If, e.g., we use the parametrization of Schiz *et al.*¹⁵ instead of the *pp* parametrization we have used, this lowers σ_{tot}^{PHe} by about 1.7 mb. The total systematic error in σ_{tot}^{PHe} is then estimated as ±3 mb.

After this paper was written preliminary results from a new CERN experiment became known to us.¹⁶ Since they use an external beam and a conventional target they, in principle, can determine their normalization more accurately. Of course, to obtain σ_{tot}^{PHe} one must assume a shape for the differential cross section and extrapolate to t=0. Their preliminary total cross section is 8-9 mb higher than ours; their quoted total error is ± 0.8 mb. The amusing part is that these preliminary CERN results agree with our preliminary results, presented at the Tokyo conference.¹⁷ In that case we normalized using the differential cross section in the Coulomb interference region. Although it gave statistical accuracy comparable to this paper, we feel the mixture technique is inherently more reliable than the Coulomb technique because in that case the value obtained depends critically on the cross-section shape used.

The main virtue of our measurements lies in the wide range of s and t covered with one experimental setup. It is a simple matter at a later date, if necessary, to renormalize the data in Table I and refit to any desired model.

IV. DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS

The differential cross sections for p^{4} He elastic scattering are given in Table I. The errors listed are statistical only. Examples of the differential cross section $d\sigma/dt$ are shown in Figs. 4(a) and 4(b). The general characteristics of the data are a differential cross section which drops 4–5 orders of magnitude to a first dip at $|t| \simeq 0.22$ (GeV/c)² and a subsequent rise to a secondary maximum at $|t| \simeq 0.33$ (GeV/c)².

The sources of systematic errors and their

E _{lab} (GeV)	$\sigma_{tot}^{p \operatorname{He}}$ (mb)	ρ	b [(GeV/c) ⁻²]	$\chi^2/No.$ of points
45	121.33 ± 0.59	-0.068 ± 0.032	31.71 ± 0.10	82/72
46	120.32 ± 0.60	-0.063 ± 0.025	31.55 ± 0.11	56/60
97	120.49 ± 0.56	-0.065 ± 0.021	32.32 ± 0.09	110/57
146	121.97 ± 0.43	-0.036 ± 0.018	32.74 ± 0.08	101/71
200	122.80 ± 0.29	-0.035 ± 0.017	33.34 ± 0.08	62/73
259	123.62 ± 0.37	$+0.010\pm0.024$	33.39 ± 0.09	56/60
301	123.22 ± 0.31	$+0.038\pm0.022$	33.71 ± 0.08	62/65
393	125.78 ± 0.31	$+0.067\pm0.027$	34.07 ± 0.10	54/64

TABLE V. The same as in Table IV but with c = -22 (GeV/c)⁻⁴ a fixed parameter.



FIG. 5. Average slope parameter of the diffraction peak of p^4 He elastic scattering at different *t* intervals (values from Table VI). The solid lines are fits over the entire energy range. The dashed lines correspond to the fit for energies $E \ge 100$ GeV.

variation with E_{1ab} and t are listed in Table II. These systematic errors are errors on the individual data points; an additional error in the overall normalization must be added. The statistical error of absolute normalization is $\pm 0.7\%$, the systematic uncertainty is $\pm 4.8\%$, as explained above. Thus the total error in absolute normalization of the differential cross sections given in Table I is $\pm 4.8\%$.

Table III lists values of the total elastic p ⁴He cross sections. They are obtained by integration of the differential cross section in the *t* range $0 \le |t| \le 0.5$ (GeV/c)² after Coulomb and Coulomb-nuclear interference effects are subtracted.



FIG. 6. $\rho = \operatorname{Ref}_n / \operatorname{Imf}_n (t = 0)$ for p ⁴He elastic scattering. The values are from Table IV. The straight-line fit shows the parametrization listed in Table VII.

Another general characteristic of the differential cross section is the position and the magnitude of the second maximum. They are given in Table III as well.

V. SMALL-t REGION

The results for the p⁴He elastic cross section, listed in Table I, are described in the range $0.003 \le |t| \le 0.11$ (GeV/c)² by the Bethe interference formula¹⁸

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \left| f_C e^{i\phi} + f_n \right|^2, \tag{3}$$

where the Coulomb-scattering amplitude takes the form

$$f_{c} = \frac{4\alpha \hbar \sqrt{\pi}}{t} G_{\rho}(t) G_{\mathrm{H}\, 0}(t) .$$
(4)



FIG. 7. The elastic differential p^{4} He cross section at 393 GeV. The solid line is the Glauber-model prediction; the simplest form of the elementary amplitude and one-particle density has been used (version I in the text). The Coulomb effect for $-t < 0.03 (\text{GeV}/c)^{2}$ is extracted. The data fit is over the range $0.003 \le |t| \le 0.07 (\text{GeV}/c)^{2}$. The data is plotted as a ratio of the differential elastic cross section to that of the Glauber-model prediction.

E_{1ab}	0.003 < t < 0.07	$(\text{GeV}/c)^2$	0.03 < t < 0.1	$(\text{GeV}/c)^2$	0.06 < t < 0.13	$(\text{GeV}/c)^2$
(GeV)	b _{t =0.035}	χ^2/DF	b t =0.065	χ^2/DF	b t =0. 095	χ^2/DF
45	33.13 ± 0.12	60/55	34.48 ± 0.14	33/26	35.63 ± 0.28	33/20
46	33.23 ± 0.13	40/47	34.24 ± 0.15	17/21	36.59 ± 0.25	21/13
97	33.55 ± 0.13	75/40	34.98 ± 0.13	41/17	37.35 ± 0.17	24/15
146	34.18 ± 0.10	61/52	35.60 ± 0.10	58/20	38.16 ± 0.14	61/22
200	34.68 ± 0.09	44/52	36.06 ± 0.09	19/30	38.57 ± 0.13	15/24
259	35.06 ± 0.10	35/42	36.11 ± 0.11	32/27	38.28 ± 0.14	31/27
301	35.16 ± 0.09	39/46	36.43 ± 0.10	30/29	38.87 ± 0.13	28/27
393	35.66 ± 0.12	35/44	36.75 ± 0.12	30/30	39.09 ± 0.17	13/21

TABLE VI. Average slope parameter in $(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}$ for three different t intervals.

Here α is the fine-structure constant, $\phi = 4\alpha \ln(1.06\hbar/R\sqrt{|t|})$ is the Coulomb phase, $R = \sqrt{2/3}\langle R_{\rm He}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ is the ⁴He electromagnetic radius^{5,6} ($R_{\rm He} = 1.67$ fm) derived from e^4 He scattering, $G_p(t) = (1 - t/0.71)^{-2}$ is the proton electromagnetic form factor, and $G_{\rm He}(t) = [1 - (2.56t)^6] \times e^{11.70t}$ is the ⁴He electromagnetic form factor.^{5,6} The nuclear-scattering amplitude takes the form

$$f_n = \frac{\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\rho \text{He}}}{4\hbar \sqrt{\pi}} (i + \rho) e^{(bt + ct^2)/2}, \qquad (5)$$

where σ_{tot}^{He} is the total proton-helium cross section, $\rho = \text{Re}f_n/\text{Im}f_n|_{t=0}$ is the ratio of the real to the imaginary part of the forward-scattering amplitude, and b, c are the linear and quadratic slope parameters.

The results of the fit in the range 0.003 < |t|< 0.11 (GeV/c)² are listed in Table IV. The fitted parameters are $\sigma_{tot}^{PHe} \rho$, b, and c. The values given for σ_{tot}^{PHe} in Table IV are directly related to the normalization obtained from the mixture analysis. In Fig. 3 we show the Table IV proton-helium total cross sections at 45, 46, 97, 146, 200, 259, 301, and 393 GeV. Since the quadratic slope parameter $c \simeq 22$ (GeV/c)⁻⁴ is energy independent within errors, an alternate fit with c fixed is listed in Table V. Table VI presents the average slope parameter in different t intervals $0.003 \le |t| \le 0.007$ (GeV/c)², $0.03 \le |t| \le 0.1$ (GeV/c)², and $0.06 \le |t| \le 0.13$ (GeV/ c)² calculated as $b_{t=t_0} = b + 2ct_0$, where b and c have been fitted in each interval. Figure 5 shows the slope parameter b as listed in Table VI. The rate of shrinkage weakly depends on t; for energies $E \ge 100$ GeV, the rate of shrinkage is t independent (see dashed lines on Fig. 5).

Finally, to complete our analysis using the Bethe formula, the s dependence of the b, σ_{tot}^{pHe} , and ρ values given in Table V has been parametrized in the form $P_i = A_i + B_i \ln(s_{pHe}/s_0)$, with $s_0 = 1$ GeV². These results are given in Table VII. The energy dependence of ρ is plotted in Fig. 6.

The parameter b(s, t) of the p^{4} He scattering amplitude obtained shows a rate of shrinkage of the p^{4} He diffraction cone $b_{1}(t) = (\partial/$ $\partial \ln s) b(s, t)$ more than twice as large as that for pp scattering.¹⁹ This effect is in qualitative agreement with the expectation based on the Glauber model provided the screening correction is energy dependent.²⁰ The other consequence of this model is the increase of the rate of shrinkage $b_{1}(t)$ when |t| increases. This prediction is not supported from the present experiment since b_{1} shows no tdependence (see Fig. 5 and Table VI).

In Tables III and IV and Fig. 3, we test two in-

TABLE VII. Energy dependence of the b, σ_{tot} , and ρ parameters. Parametrization in the form $P_i = A_i + B_i \ln(s_{\rho He}/s_0)$, with $s_0 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$.

Parameter	Ai	Bi	$\chi^2/D.F.$
$b_{t=0} [(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}]$ $b_{t=0} [(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}], c = -22 (\text{GeV}/c)^{-4} \text{ fixed}$ $b_{t=0.035} [(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}]$ $b_{t=0.095} [(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}]$ $b_{t=0.095} [(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}]$ $c_{tot}^{\text{PHe}} (\text{mb})$	24.8 ± 1.3 24.9 ± 0.3 26.2 ± 0.4 26.6 ± 0.4 28.6 ± 1.0 108.7 ± 2.8 0.41 ± 0.1	$\begin{array}{c} 1.13 \pm 0.18 \\ 1.14 \pm 0.04 \\ 1.17 \pm 0.05 \\ 1.14 \pm 0.06 \\ 1.32 \pm 0.10 \\ 2.0 \pm 2.8 \\ 0.050 \pm 0.014 \end{array}$	4/6 10/6 15/6 7/6 23/6 14/6 7/6

One-particle density [Eq. (A5)]						Elementary amplitude [Eq. (A3)]						
Version	R_1^2 (GeV ⁻²)	R_2^2 (GeV ⁻²)	C	References	Energy (GeV)	σ _{tot} (mb)	ρ	ρ'	γ (GeV ⁻²)	β	b_1 (GeV ⁻²)	<i>b</i> ₂ (GeV ⁻²)
I	47.5		0		45	38.35	-0.150	0		0	10.72	
					301	39.56	-0.008	0		0	11.76	
					393	40.05	0.012	0		0	11.99	
II												
(i)	39.379	14.770	· 1	this work	45	38.35	-0.150	1	-0.44	0.42	12.21	7.64
(ii)	44.358	10.445	0.858	9	301	39.56	-0.008	1	-0.44	0.31	13.50	6.93
(iii)	42.946	6.136	1	21								

TABLE VIII. The parameters used in the calculation of $(d\sigma/dt)(p^{4}\text{He})$. The corresponding curves are shown in Figs. 8, 9, and 11.

teresting predictions of geometric scaling. Geometric scaling, $\sigma_{tot}(E)$ proportional to b(E), is satisfied (Fig. 3), but the other geometrical relation for the height of the second maximum, $(d\sigma/dt)(E, t_{sec max})$ proportional to $\sigma_{tot}^{2}(E)$, is strongly violated since the function $(d\sigma/dt)(E)|_{sec max}$ decreases and the function $\sigma_{tot}(E)$ rises with E.

VI. GLAUBER-MODEL ANALYSIS

Data from the whole t region, $0.003 \le |t| \le 0.52$ (GeV/c)², were compared and fitted to the multiple-nucleon-scattering model, the Glauber model. In this model the full scattering amplitude is a coherent sum of single, double, triple, and quadruple scatterings from the four nucleons in ⁴He.

In our analysis we have assumed that the nucleon-nucleon scattering amplitude is spin independent and the proton-proton and proton-neutron amplitudes are equivalent. Coulomb effects are neglected for |t| > 0.05 (GeV/c)². We use a noncorrelated internal (or center-of-mass) wave function for the ⁴He nucleus and identical one-particle density distributions for the protons and neutrons. No inelastic intermediate states are included in the parametrization.

Many of the details and parameter definitions are placed in the Appendix. The values of the parameters are listed in Table VIII. Two versions have been developed. For both of them comparison with the experimental data in the entire t range is done. In version I we calculated the nuclear amplitude in the simplest way identical with that described in Ref. 10. The phenomenological analysis of its parameters is performed in the small-trange. The more complex parametrization is done in version II.

Version I. In the small-t region the data may be successfully fitted with the following restrictive assumptions:

$$f_{\text{nucleon}} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{tot}}}{4\pi} p(i+p) e^{-(b/2)q^2}, \qquad (6)$$

$$\rho_i(\vec{r}_i) = \frac{\exp(-r_i^2/R_1^2)}{\pi^{3/2}R_1^3}, \qquad (7)$$

where f_{nucleon} is the nucleon-nucleon amplitude, $\rho_i(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i)$ is the nucleon particle density, and $R_1 = 1.36$

TABLE IX. Parameters of the NN elastic-scattering amplitude as fitted by the Glauber model, version I, $|t| \leq 0.07$ (GeV/c)². σ_{totpp} is listed for comparison (from Ref. 14). Energy-dependent fits to the values of ρ and b are shown.

E _{lab} (GeV)	^р ¢¢ G1	$b_{ppG1} [(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}]$	$\sigma_{tot G1}$ (mb)	σ _{totpp} (mb)	χ^2/DF
45	-0.087 ± 0.028	11.27 ± 0.14	35.22 ± 0.22	38.36	60/57
46	-0.062 ± 0.032	11.31 ± 0.16	35.08 ± 0.22	38.35	40/50
97	-0.090 ± 0.027	11.89 ± 0.14	34.78 ± 0.22	38.38	76/44
146	-0.049 ± 0.024	12.29 ± 0.12	35.31 ± 0.15	38.64	62/55
200	-0.022 ± 0.022	12.76 ± 0.12	35.45 ± 0.08	38.97	46/55
259	$+0.024 \pm 0.030$	13.03 ± 0.13	35.88 ± 0.10	39.32	34/45
301	$+0.031\pm0.029$	13.20 ± 0.12	35.58 ± 0.09	39.56	38/49
393	$+0.067 \pm 0.036$	13.47 ± 0.16	36.38 ± 0.08	40.04	44/47

 $b_{pp\,G1} = 6.63 \pm 0.38 + (1.03 \pm 0.07) \ln(s_{pp}/s_0)$



FIG. 8. The elastic differential p^{4} He cross section at 393 GeV. σ_{tot} , b, and ρ have been taken from pp experiments (Refs. 17 and 21) and listed in Table VIII. The solid line is the Glauber-model prediction with these parameters (version I). The Coulomb effect for |t| < 0.03 (GeV/c)² is extracted.

fm. The fitted parameters are b = slope parameter, $\rho =$ ratio of the real to imaginary parts of the forward-scattering amplitude, and $\sigma_{tot} =$ total nucleon-nucleon cross section; p is the proton laboratory momentum. We restrict the analysis range to |t| < 0.07 (GeV/c)². The results of these fits are given in Table IX. For comparison the values from the proton-proton experiment¹⁷ are listed as well. In Fig. 7 the differential cross section at 393 GeV is shown. The fitted curve agrees well with the data, but at the expense of increasing b, and decreasing σ_{tot} from the known nucleon-nucleon values. The curve extrapolated into the wider tinterval does not agree with the data in the region $|t| \ge 0.22$ (GeV/c)². A similar discrepancy in the secondary maximum has been observed at lower energies,^{1, 2} and interpreted by some authors⁹ as a consequence of a nonrealistic form of the wave function (Eq. 7).

Using the same formalism we calculate the differential cross section with fixed σ_{tot} , b, and ρ parameters taken from pp experiments. As an illustration Figs. 8, 9, and 11 show our 393, 45, and 301 GeV data compared with corresponding curves. The qualitative shape of the data is reproduced with a deep minimum and a secondary maximum, but the discrepancy between the data and theory is large at all energies, especially in the small-t region. A normalization change upwards would lessen this discrepancy.

Version II. For this more complex parametrization, many of the details are given in the Appendix. A double-Gaussian expression replaces the single-Gaussian expression in the nucleon-nucleon amplitude. In addition, ρ , the ratio of the real to the imaginary parts of the nucleon-scattering amplitude, is given a t (or q^2) dependence.

The choice of the wave-function parametrization is difficult. We have chosen a double-Gaussian expression taken from Refs. 9 and 21 [see Eq. (A5)



FIG. 9. The elastic differential cross section at 393 GeV shown as a ratio to the Glauber-model prediction (version I). σ_{tot} , b, and ρ values are those used with Fig. 8.



FIG. 10. The charge form factor of ⁴He calculated from the single-particle wave function (A5). The parameters (see Table VIII) have been fitted to the data of Ref. 5 and 6 for $|t| \le 0.35$ (GeV/c)².

in the Appendix] containing three parameters R_1 , R_2 , and C. Different values of these parameters were used^{9, 22, 23} to describe the same experimental electron-helium data.^{5, 6} Usually the efforts to fit better the position of the minimum and the magnitude of the second maximum of the ⁴He form factor were made at the expense of a worse agreement with experimental data in the lower-t region. In order to calculate correctly the p ⁴He differential cross section in the relatively-small-t region, we obtained new values for the wave-function parameters from simultaneously fitting the two electron-⁴He experiments of Ref. 5 and 6 for the limited region $q^2 \leq 9 \text{ fm}^{-2} [|t| \leq 0.36 (\text{GeV}/c)^2]$. Our fitted



FIG. 11. The elastic p^4 He differential cross section. All data points have been renormalized to the version I Glauber-model prediction. The curves show the results for various version II fitting procedures. Inelastic rescatterings are excluded in the analysis; the nucleon-nucleon amplitude is given by (A3). Three one-particle wave-function (A5) parametrizations are used: dot-dashed curve, our values for R_1 , R_2 , C[II(i)]: solid curve, Bassel-Wilkin [II(ii)], Ref. 9; dashed curve, Chou [II(iii)], Ref. 21. These three parametrizations are listed in Table VIII. The Coulomb effect in the small-t region is indicated by the dotted curve. (a) $E_{1ab}=45$ GeV, (b) $E_{1ab}=301$ GeV.

values are $R_1 = 39.4$ fm, $R_2 = 14.8$ fm; C = 1 is found in the limit of the constraint $0 \le C \le 1$. The result of this e^4 He fit is shown in Fig. 10.

In Figs. 11(a) and 11(b), we show the ratio of our version II curves to the curves of version I calculated at 45 and 301 GeV, respectively. Also shown are two additional curves where alternative parametrizations for the wave function are used; these are the Bassel-Wilkin⁹ and the Chou²¹ models. The agreement with the data is still not good. The three curves in Figs. 11(a) and 11(b) show the importance of the choice of the wave-function parametrization. The discrepancy between the data and theory in the very-small-t regions is 10-15%, as contrasted to the 4.8% total normalization error.

If we were to assume that the normalization error is higher than estimated (see Sec. III), one can try to reach a better agreement (between data



FIG. 12. The Glauber correction amplitude $F_{\rm corr}$ determined from the elastic differential cross section at 45 GeV. The Bassel-Wilkin parameters (Ref. 9) for the ⁴He wave function have been used. The points \bullet have negative sign, the points \circ have positive sign.

and theory) by changing the normalization of the data. The change of the normalization causes a parallel shift of points in an up-down direction on the logarithmic scale of Figs. 11(a) and 11(b), but the differences in the shape of the curves and the data are still significant. It is very likely that the major cause of the failure of the version II parametrizations is the failure to include inelastic intermediate states in the double-, triple-, and quadruple-nucleon-rescattering terms. We have not pursued this matter further quantitatively because of the normalization difficulties mentioned previously but do suggest that the high energy and the accuracy of our data allow further analysis. Data on $A \neq 1$ targets are the only way to study the short-range interaction of N^* excited nucleon states.

Finally, we show the difference between the data and the Glauber-model calculation using amplitudes. Let us assume that the correction amplitude $F_{\rm corr}$, satisfies the relation

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt_{\rm exp}} = |F_{\rm Glauber} + F_{\rm corr}|^2, \qquad (8)$$

where $d\sigma/dt_{exp}$ is the experimental differential cross section. Assuming that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(F_{\operatorname{corr}}\right) = 0, \qquad (9)$$

one can determine $F_{\rm corr}$ directly from experimental data as

$$F_{\text{corr}} = \pm \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dt_{\text{exp}}} - \left[\operatorname{Re}\left(F_{\text{Glauber}}\right)\right]^2\right)^{1/2} - \operatorname{Im}\left(F_{\text{Glauber}}\right).$$
(10)

The result is shown in Fig. 12 [only one of two solutions of Eq. (10) is plotted]. In the calculation of F_{Glauber} we use the Bassel-Wilkin wave-function parametrization [version II(ii)]. The analysis, similar to that made for pd and dd cases,²² suggests that F_{corr} can be interpreted as an interference of rescatterings with intermediate inelastic states.

The inelastic screening correction at $t \simeq 0$ is estimated under the assumption that the discrepancy between the data and the Glauber-model prediction is mainly due to this effect. The contribution of the inelastic screening correction, $\Delta \sigma_{in}$, to the total cross section $(\sigma_{pHe} = 4\sigma_{pN} - \Delta \sigma_{e1} - \Delta \sigma_{in})$ is ~9 mb which is ~15 times higher than in pd scattering and somewhat higher than the prediction given in Ref. 8.

VII. CONCLUSIONS

In this experiment, elastic p ⁴He scattering has been investigated in an energy range $45 \le E_{1ab} \le 400$ GeV. The *t* interval $0.003 \le |t| \le 0.5$ (GeV/c)², where the differential cross section has been obtained, comprises the Coulomb-interference region, the forward diffraction peak, the Glauber minimum, and the second maximum. It contains about 80–120 data points at each primary proton energy and is measured with a typical relative statistical error of about 1.5-3%, except in the region of the minimum around $|t| \simeq 0.22$ (GeV/c)² where errors sometimes reach 50%.

The technique of the mixed hydrogen-helium jet target allows one to obtain absolute normalization of the differential cross section. The optical theorem is used to determine the total cross section for p^{4} He interactions. $\sigma_{tot}(E)$ rises for $E \ge 100$ GeV.

The parameters $\rho(s, t=0)$ and b(s, t) of the p^{4} He scattering amplitude are obtained. The rate of shrinkage of the p^{4} He diffraction cone is more than twice as large as that for pp scattering. Geometrical scaling, $\sigma_{tot}(E)$ proportional to b(E), is satisfied but the other geometrical relation for the height of the second maximum, $(d\sigma/dt) (E, t_{sec max})$ proportional to $\sigma_{tot}^{2}(E)$, is strongly violated.

The analysis of simple forms of the Glauber model show that substantial corrections to the elastic-scattering amplitude are needed. Inelastic screening seems to be important in the region of the diffractive cone as well as in the second maximum of the differential cross section. A more accurate estimation of the effect requires a better understanding of the ⁴He wave function.

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APPENDIX

In this appendix we show the formalism of the multiple-scattering Glauber model and list some of the detailed parametrizations to which we have fitted our data; results are given in Sec. VI, Tables VIII and IX, and Figs. 7–12.

Defining the total density of the nucleus as a product of separate nucleon densities

$$\Psi^* \Psi = \prod_{i=1}^4 \rho_i(\vec{r}_i)$$
with $\int \rho_i(\vec{r}_i) d^3 r_i \equiv 1$,
(A1)

we derive the nuclear amplitude from the Glauber model:

$$F(\vec{\Delta}) = 4f(\vec{\Delta}) G(\frac{3}{4}\vec{\Delta}) G(-\frac{1}{4}\vec{\Delta}) - 6 \frac{G^2(-\vec{\Delta}/4)}{2\pi i p} \int d^2 q f(\frac{3}{4}\vec{\Delta} - \vec{q}) f(\vec{\Delta} + \vec{q}) G(\vec{\Delta} - \vec{q}) G(\vec{q}) + 4 \frac{G(-\vec{\Delta}/4)}{(2\pi i p)^2} \int d^2 q_1 d^2 q_2 f(\vec{\Delta} + \vec{q}_1) f(\vec{\Delta} + \vec{q}_2) f(\vec{\Delta} - \vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) G(\vec{q}_1) G(\vec{q}_2) G(\vec{\Delta} - \vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) - \frac{1}{(2\pi i p)^3} \int d^2 q_1 d^2 q_2 d^2 q_3 f(\vec{\Delta} + \vec{q}_1) f(\vec{\Delta} + \vec{q}_2) f(\vec{\Delta} - \vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) f(\vec{\Delta} - \vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2 - \vec{q}_3) \times G(\vec{q}_1) G(\vec{q}_2) G(\vec{q}_3) G(-\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2 - \vec{q}_3).$$
(A2)

The Fourier transform of the one-particle density is

$$G(\mathbf{\vec{q}}) = \int e^{i\mathbf{\vec{q}}\cdot\mathbf{\vec{r}}} \rho_i(\mathbf{\vec{r}}) d^3r \, d^3r \,$$

 $\vec{\Delta}$ and \vec{q} are the vectors of the transverse momentum transfers to the nucleus and to the nucleon, respectively, p is the laboratory momentum of the projectile, and \vec{r}_i is the position of the *i*th nucleon in the c.m. system of the nucleus. Formula (A2) contains the constraint associated with the uniform motion of the nuclear center of mass. The amplitude F is normalized as

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}=\left|\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{p}F\right|^2,$$

where $-t = q^2$. The nucleon-nucleon amplitude is parametrized in the form

$$f(q) = \frac{\sigma_{\text{tot}}}{4\pi} p[i + \rho(q)] \frac{e^{-(b_1/2)q^2} + \beta e^{-(b_2/2)q^2}}{1 + \beta}, \quad (A3)$$

where σ_{tot} is the nucleon-nucleon total cross section and $\rho(q)$, the ratio of the real to imaginary

parts of the amplitude, is

$$\rho(q) = \frac{\text{Re } f(q)}{\text{Im } f(q)} = \rho(0) + \rho'(e^{\gamma_q 2} - 1)$$
(A4)

and $b_1, \ b_2, \ \beta, \ \rho$, and γ are all arbitrary parameters.

For the one-particle density we take the form of a double Gaussian proposed by Bassel and Wilkin,⁹ and Chou²¹:

$$\rho_i(\vec{\mathbf{r}}_i) = K \left[\exp\left(-\frac{\vec{\mathbf{r}}_i^2}{R_1^2}\right) - C \exp\left(-\frac{\vec{\mathbf{r}}_i^2}{R_2^2}\right) \right]$$
(A5)

with

$$K = \pi^{-3/2} (|R_1|^3 - C|R_2|^3)^{-1},$$

where K is the normalization factor. R_1, R_2 , and C are free parameters, which can be deduced from the charge form factor of the ⁴He nucleus. The Gaussian form of Eqs. (A3), (A4), and (A5) has been chosen partially in order to simplify the necessary integrations. The Fourier transform of Eq. (A5) is

$$G(\vec{q}) = \frac{1}{1 - D} \left[\exp\left(-\frac{R_1^2 q^2}{4}\right) - D \exp\left(-\frac{R_2^2 q^2}{4}\right) \right] \quad (A6)$$

with

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$$D = C(R_2/R_1)^3$$
.

Inserting Eqs. (A3) and (A6) into Eq. (A2), we may calculate the differential cross section in two wavs.

Version I.

 $\beta, D, \rho' = 0$.

In this case the amplitude F [Eq. (A2)] takes a well-known form.¹⁰ The parameters $b = b_{pp}$, ρ = $\rho_{pp}(t=0)$, and $\sigma_{tot} = \sigma_{tot}^{pp}$ are fixed by pp experiments^{14,19} or treated as variable parameters. The parameter $R_1 = 1.36$ fm.²³

Version II. A more realistic version for calculation is to take into account more complex ex-

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pressions for the nucleon-nucleon amplitude and a more realistic expression for the charge form factor of ⁴He nucleus.

The parameters β , b_1 , b_2 of the elementary amplitude have been determined as follows.

(i) The experimental pp data have been interpolated to our energies using the known^{19, 24} energy dependence of the parameters.

(ii) The reconstructed differential cross sections have been fitted using our parametrization (A4) with fixed values of $\rho' = 1$, and $\gamma = -0.44 \ (\text{GeV}/c)^2$. We have assumed here that the amplitude ratio (A4) is approximated as

$$\rho(t) = \frac{\operatorname{Re} f(t)}{\operatorname{Im} f(t)} = \rho_0^{pp}(s, t=0) + \frac{1}{2}\pi [\alpha_{\operatorname{Pomeron}}(t) - 1]$$

$$\simeq \rho_0^{pp} + 0.44 t \simeq \rho_0^{pp} + (e^{0.44 t} - 1), \qquad (A7)$$

where $\alpha_{\text{Pomeron}} = 1 + 0.278 t$.

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