

surprisingly similar to structure previously observed in the cross-section excitation function for the $^{27}\text{Al}(p, \gamma_0)^{28}\text{Si}$ capture reaction.¹⁷ Explanations of the bumps in terms of more general doorway configurations such as particle-vibration coupling⁸ may also be possible. In any case, the striking nature of the structure observed here in A_y , compared to the much more gentle average structure observed for so long in cross-section studies, suggests the importance of pursuing this investigation both theoretically and experimentally.

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Magnetic Moment of the 6_1^+ State in $^{42}\text{Ca}^\dagger$

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The g factor of the 6_1^+ state at 3189 keV ($T_{1/2} = 5.4$ nsec) in ^{42}Ca has been remeasured with a significant improvement in accuracy by a pulsed-beam time-differential method using an in-beam superconducting magnet at 61 kG. The g factor obtained is $g(6_1^+) = -0.415 \pm 0.015$. A $g(\nu f_{7/2}) = -0.53 \pm 0.02$ is extracted from this result by use of the coexistence wave function due to Erikson; this value is in agreement with the single-particle value of -0.547 indicating a negligible orbital anomaly δg_1 .

The study of the magnetic moments of nuclear states near doubly closed shells provides a useful probe into the magnetic properties of nucleons inside nuclear matter. Because of the structure of the bare $M1$ operator, there are no first-order core-polarization contributions to the single-particle magnetic moment from a core which is doubly closed in both $L-S$ and $j-j$ coupling, as for the ^{40}Ca nucleus. Recently there have been

theoretical efforts¹⁻⁴ to understand the magnetic dipole moments of states in the Ca region in terms of effective $f_{7/2}$ -nucleon moments and hence to test the additivity of $f_{7/2}$ magnetic moments in this region. The determination of whether there are anomalies in the orbital part of $f_{7/2}$ -nucleon g factors, δg_1 , due to mesonic effects⁵ is of considerable interest. The magnetic moment of the 6_1^+ state in ^{42}Ca plays a pivotal role

regarding the deduction of the effective $f_{\gamma 2}$ -neutron moment. Unfortunately the existence of two different experimental values^{6,7} for the 6_1^+ g factor has rendered the theoretical interpretation somewhat inconclusive.

The important criteria for performing a precision time-differential perturbed-angular-distribution (PAD) measurement of the g factor of a short-lived state are to have a high magnetic field and to observe the spin precession for a long time range, including the region near $t=0$ where the statistical errors are at a minimum. In order to make a significant improvement in precision and reliability over the previous measurements, a superconducting magnet system, which was constructed at the Stony Brook tandem accelerator⁸ for this and other in-beam g -factor measurements, was used. The Nb-Ti split solenoid was designed to provide sufficient homogeneity of the applied field for g -factor measurements while maximizing the γ -counter solid angles. The 6_1^+ state in ^{42}Ca at 3189 keV with $T_{1/2} = 5.4$ nsec was populated in this work by two reactions: $^{40}\text{Ca}(\alpha, 2p)^{42}\text{Ca}$ with a 23-MeV pulsed α beam on a thick metallic Ca target, and $^{39}\text{K}(\alpha, p)^{42}\text{Ca}$ with a 16-MeV pulsed α beam on a thick KI target. Both of the reactions used give similar alignment of the 6_1^+ state in ^{42}Ca , but a 16-MeV α beam incident on a KI target was superior for the g -factor measurement because the γ -ray spectrum was very clean, indicating that the

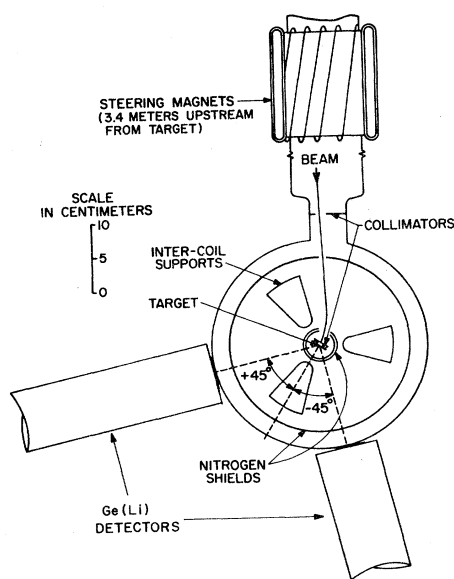


FIG. 1. Top view of the experimental arrangement in the mid-plane of the superconducting magnet. For some of the measurements, the Ge(Li) detectors were replaced with NaI(Tl) detectors.

$^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)$ state was selectively populated. For a 23-MeV α beam incident on a ^{40}Ca target, additional neutron background distorted the time spectra near $t=0$, and both the $^{42}\text{Sc}(7^+)$ and $^{43}\text{Sc}(19/2^-)$ isomers were produced which added to the background at long times. The g factor of $^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)$ was measured by the pulsed-beam- γ time-differential PAD method. The experimental arrangement is shown in Fig. 1. Two large-volume Ge(Li) detectors of two magnetically shielded NaI(Tl) detectors were placed at $\pm 45^\circ$ with respect to the effective beam direction. Each NaI(Tl) detector had a 20-cm light pipe to minimize the effect of the fringing field of the superconducting magnet. The overall pulsed-beam- γ time resolution for the 1228 keV ($4^+ \rightarrow 2^+$) γ ray was about 6 nsec (full width at half-maximum) with the Ge(Li) detectors and about 3 nsec with the NaI(Tl) detectors.

The superconducting magnet which was operated in its persistent mode produced a magnetic field of 60.9 ± 0.4 kG. The magnetic field was calibrated⁸ by time-differential PAD measurements of the 8^+ state in ^{210}Po and the $5/2^+$ state in ^{19}F . The usual ratio $R(t) = [N(-45^\circ) - N(45^\circ)] / [N(-45^\circ) + N(45^\circ)]$ data for the reaction $^{39}\text{K}(\alpha, p)^{42}\text{Ca}$ are shown in Fig. 2 along with least-squares fits; the Larmor frequencies ω_L deduced from these

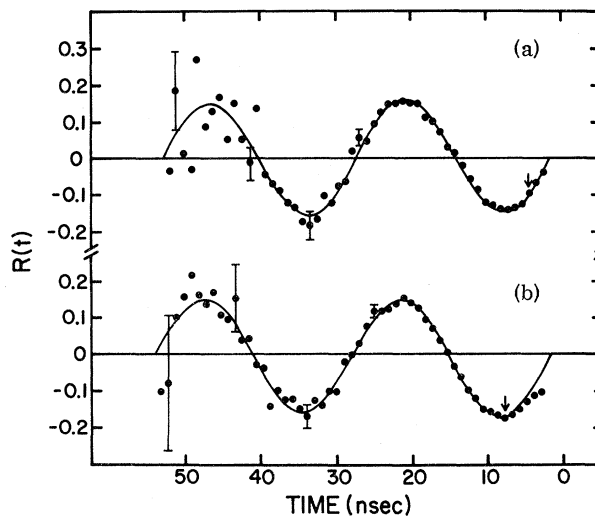


FIG. 2. The ratio $R(t)$ (see text) as a function of time after the beam pulse for two separate experiments with the reaction $^{39}\text{K}(\alpha, p)^{42}\text{Ca}$ and a magnetic field of 60.9 kG. (a) Data were taken with NaI(Tl) detectors, and the least-squares fit shown gave $\omega_L = 0.119(6)$ nsec⁻¹. (b) Data were taken with Ge(Li) detectors and gave $\omega_L = 0.1224(25)$ nsec⁻¹. The small arrow near $t=0$ in each curve indicates the starting point of the fit.

fits are given in the figure caption. The results for the reaction $^{40}\text{Ca}(\alpha, 2p)^{42}\text{Ca}$ yielded Larmor frequencies in agreement with the $^{39}\text{K}(\alpha, p)^{42}\text{Ca}$ results, although the uncertainties are larger because of the increased background. Diamagnetic and Knight-shift corrections to the magnetic field are less than 0.2%. The value of the g factor obtained from a weighted sum of all of the data is $g(6_1^+) = -0.415 \pm 0.015$. This result agrees with the previous integral measurement of Marmor, Cochavi, and Fossan⁶ ($g = -0.42 \pm 0.03$) but is in disagreement with the time-differential measurement of Nomura *et al.*⁷ ($g = -0.50^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$). The new result for ^{42}Ca is shown in Table I along with known g factors and related β -decay matrix elements for nuclei near ^{40}Ca .

The analysis of the $^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)$ g factor is complicated by the existence of particle-hole (p-h) deformed states in this region. Two approaches to understand this g factor have been developed. In the phenomenological approach of Arima,¹ the wave function of the $^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)$ state is written as

$$|^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)\rangle = (f_{7/2})^2(6^+) + \alpha(f_{7/2}, f_{5/2})(6^+).$$

The admixture of the configuration $(f_{7/2}, f_{5/2})$ in $^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)$ is determined to be $\alpha = -0.096$ from a comparison of the β -decay matrix elements of $^{41}\text{Sc} \rightarrow ^{41}\text{Ca}$ and $^{42}\text{Sc} \rightarrow ^{42}\text{Ca}$ whose wave functions were assumed to have an $f_{7/2}$ structure. A calculation using the bare Kuo-Brown interaction and the $f_{7/2}$ - $f_{5/2}$ energy spacing as 5.5 MeV gives $\alpha = -0.092$ in agreement with the value obtained from the β decay. To evaluate the $^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)$ g factor, Arima used the g factor of the $^{41}\text{Ca}(\frac{7}{2}^-)$ ground state as an effective $f_{7/2}$ g factor. The cross term $\langle f_{7/2}^2 | M1 | f_{7/2}, f_{5/2} \rangle$ was obtained with the single-particle $M1$ operator. Using the value

of α from the most recent β -decay measurements^{9,10} one then obtains $g(^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)) = -0.413$ in excellent agreement with the experimental value. This agreement suggests that the corrections to the moment from the deformed states can be renormalized into the ^{41}Ca effective moment. However, in order to examine the $f_{7/2}$ magnetic moment operator itself, an explicit calculation of the effect of these core-excited deformed states must be included.

Erikson¹¹ determined the composition of the lowest 6^+ state of ^{42}Ca by combining the ideas of Kuo and Brown,¹² who included the configurations $(f_{7/2})^2$, $(f_{7/2}, f_{5/2})$ and $(g_{9/2})^2$, and those of Gerace and Green¹³ who introduced deformed $4p$ - $2h$ core-excited components. He gave the following expression for the 6_1^+ -state magnetic moment,

$$\mu(6_1^+) = 6a^2g(\nu f_{7/2}) + (\frac{2}{7}b^2 + \frac{4}{3}c^2 + \frac{2}{7}\sqrt{6}2ab) \times (-1.913) + 3.52d^2,$$

in terms of the $^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)$ wave function

$$|^{42}\text{Ca}(6_1^+)\rangle = a(f_{7/2})^2 + b(f_{7/2}, f_{5/2}) + c(g_{9/2})^2 + d(4p-2h),$$

where $g(\nu f_{7/2})$ denotes the g factor of the $f_{7/2}$ neutron, and $a = 0.968$, $b = -0.136$, $c = -0.066$, and $d = 0.199$. The g factor of the $4p$ - $2h$ deformed state was calculated to be $+0.587$ by using a projection technique, whereas single-particle operators were used to evaluate the other contributions. The $f_{7/2}$ -neutron g factor extracted from a comparison of this theoretical expression and the present experimental value is $g(\nu f_{7/2}) = -0.53 \pm 0.02$, which is very close to the single-particle value of -0.547 . If Erikson's wave function adequately describes the ^{42}Ca state, this agreement

TABLE I. g factors and β -decay matrix elements for nuclei near ^{40}Ca .

Nucleus	J^π	Main configuration	g_{exp}^a	$\langle \sigma \rangle / \langle \sigma \rangle_{\text{s.p.}}$
^{41}Sc	$(7/2)^-$	$\pi f_{7/2}$	1.551(6)	0.761(6) ^b
^{41}Ca	$(7/2)^-$	$\nu f_{7/2}$	-0.45561	
^{42}Sc	7^+	$\pi f_{7/2} \nu f_{7/2}$	-0.415(15)	0.995(3) ^c
^{42}Ca	6^+	$(\nu f_{7/2})^2$		
^{43}Sc	$(19/2)^-$	$(\pi f_{7/2})(\nu f_{7/2})^2$	0.331(2)	

^aExcept for ^{42}Ca , all values are from the collection of $f_{7/2}$ magnetic moments by T. Nomura, J. Phys. Soc. Jpn., Suppl. **34**, 619 (1973).

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indicates that the $f_{7/2}$ moment as observed in this region can be understood without invoking an anomalous orbital g factor. Quantitatively, this comparison yields $\delta g_1(\nu) = 0.02 \pm 0.02$ for the $f_{7/2}$ neutron.

Recent studies¹⁴ of one- and two-nucleon-transfer reactions have indicated that the 3p-2h components may be present to the extent of 10% to 20% in the ground state in ⁴¹Ca. Gerace and Green¹³ predicted a 15% admixture of the deformed 3p-2h component into the ground state of ⁴¹Ca. A calculation of the ⁴¹Ca g factor, using this admixture and the $g(\nu f_{7/2})$ obtained from the present ⁴²Ca result, does not agree with the experimental g factor. However, since the ⁴¹Ca g factor is quite sensitive to this deformed admixture, a slightly smaller admixture of 10% produces consistency between the ⁴¹Ca and ⁴²Ca moments. Similarly the admixtures of the components in the ⁴²Ca(6_1^+) state might also be subject to small changes. Any future improvements in the accuracy of the ⁴²Ca wave function should be used together with the present experimental result to gain a better understanding of the $\nu f_{7/2}$ magnetic moment operator.

The interpretation of the g factor of the ⁴²Ca(6_1^+) state is closely related to other measured quantities in the ⁴⁰Ca region, namely the β -decay matrix elements in ⁴¹Sc and ⁴²Sc in addition to other g factors. These measurements are summarized in Table I. A comprehensive interpretation of all of these precisely measured quantities in terms of one consistent theoretical framework is needed to obtain a better understanding of the nuclear structure and effective operators for the ⁴⁰Ca region.

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