







Scientific heritage of F. Shapiro: from the 20th century to the 21st century

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IN MEMORIAM OF F. L. SHAPIRO (April 6, 1915–January 30, 1973)

- Shapiro was born in Vitebsk on April 6, 1915;
- Graduated from school at 15 years of age and entered an electro technical school;
- Being only 19 years old, he proposed an original method for converting thermal energy into electric energy by changing the magnetic flux generated by controlled variations in the temperature of a ferromagnetic core near the Curie point;
- In1936, Shapiro entered the Faculty of Physics at Moscow State University. In 1941, he graduated with honors;
- In the same year, he joined the army as a volunteer and was seriously wounded;

- After the war, Shapiro became a postgraduate student of I. M. Frank at the Institute of Physics (USSR Academy of Sciences, Moscow) and, from then on, remained a close associate of his teacher;
- After finishing his postgraduate studies, Shapiro together with E.L. Feinberg, L.E.
 Lazarev, L.V. Groshev, and I.V. Shtranikh embarked on investigations into subcritical uranium–graphite systems;
- In the early 1950s, Shapiro's group developed the method of neutron spectroscopy by the moderation time in lead. This spectrometer was used in an extensive series of experiments that studied neutron–nucleus interactions and which showed, among other things, that the cross section for neutron capture by nuclei can deviate from the 1/v law (an explanation of this phenomenon was also given in Shapiro's studies);
- Along with research work, Shapiro delivered lectures on neutron physics at the Faculty of Physics at Moscow State University (his students dubbed these lectures Shapiro's special course). His lectures were characterized by extreme clarity and precision of presentation; as a teacher, he was able to explain involved physics problems in very simple and 117th Session of the JINR Scientific Council, Dubna, December 20, 2015

- In 1958, Shapiro became a deputy director of the Laboratory of Neutron Physics (headed by I. M. Frank) at the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research. In 1960, a pulsed fast-neutron reactor was commissioned at this laboratory, and Shapiro was among those who evolved the program of scientific investigations for this reactor;
- While continuing his studies in neutron physics, Shapiro took part in investigations of the Mössbauer effect. As a matter of fact, Shapiro became the pioneer of this new method of gamma spectroscopy in the Soviet Union. He developed the classical theory of the Mössbauer effect. Together with I.Ya. Barit and M.I. Podgoretsky, he indicated for the first time that, with the aid of the Mössbauer effect, an experiment aimed at testing the implications of the general theory of relativity could be implemented on the Earth. In the course of this experiment, it proved possible to observe the shift of the photon frequency in gravitational and inertial fields. For this, Shapiro proposed using narrow gamma lines as a source of photons. As a result, a velocity sweep of the 92-keV gamma-line resonance in the ⁶⁷Zn nucleus was obtained for the first time with a relative energy resolution of about 10^{-15} , which still remains a record value.

- In 1961, Shapiro indicated that slow neutrons from pulsed fast-neutron reactors could be
 employed in investigations into condensed-matter physics. He developed a highly
 sensitive method of inverse geometry. This method made it possible to study thermal
 vibrations of atoms in solid bodies and liquids and to measure self-diffusion coefficients in
 the critical state of liquid–vapor systems. Together with the Polish physicist B. Buras,
 Shapiro substantiated the application of the neutron-time-of-flight method to diffraction
 investigations. In addition, the method of neutron diffraction at magnetic structures in
 strong pulsed fields was implemented under his supervision;
- In April 1968, Shapiro proposed using Ultracold neutrons in a device for seeking the electric dipole moment of the neutron (such searches are of great importance for testing the conservation of T invariance). In the summer of the same year, a group of experimentalists headed by Shapiro observed for the first time ultracold neutrons (gas of elementary particles, neutrons) from IBR pulsed fast-neutron reactor installed at the Laboratory of Neutron Physics. After that, Shapiro initiated experiments with ultracold neutrons at more powerful stationary reactors at the Kurchatov Institute of Atomic Energy (Moscow), Research Institute for Atomic Reactors (Dmitrovgrad), and Institute of Nuclear Physics (KazakbsSRAcademy of Sciences AlmaeAtabecember 20, 2015)

Shapiro fell seriously ill in 1971 and passed away on January 30, 1973 three months before his 58th birthday

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Neutron Spectroscopy (Neutron Slowing Down Spectrometry)



First Neutron Slowing Down Spectrometer at Lebedev Institute 1955







Рис.2. Энергетическая зависимость сечения радиационного захвата нейтронов ядрами меди: (•) и (о) — результаты измерений для образцов меди с эффективной толщиной $n = 3,2 \cdot 10^{22} \text{ s/cm}^2$ и $n = 6,5 \cdot 10^{22} \text{ s/cm}^2$ соответственно. В области энергий порядка десятков кэВ измеренные усредненные сечения хорошо согласуются с данными Гиббонса и др. [11] (×) и Шмитта и Кука [12] (+)



FIG. 10. Dependence of averaged radiative capture cross section of neutrons on mass number A of target nuclei, for odd Z (E = 30 keV); o - data obtained with the Pb slowing-down spectrometer, x - data of $[1], \Delta = [x_1], \bullet = [2], \bullet = [2], = [x_1], = [-x_1], + = [2x_1], \Delta = [2x_1 x_2 x_2], = [x_1], The results of measurements with an antimony-beryllium source (E = 24 keV), when extrapolated to E = 30 keV, gave a curve parallel to the measured curve. The point o for Rb⁵⁷ is the upper limit of the cross section (-0.05 barn) obtained in our measurements.$

Neutron Spectroscopy (Neutron Slowing Down Spectrometry)

First Measurement: Spectron

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Neutron Spectroscopy at IBR

- Total and partial cross-sections;
- Measurements of the spins and magnetic moments of the compound nuclei;
- Development of the method for neutron polarization in energy range from eV to tens keV;
- Application of the pulsed neutron source for condensed matter studies, development of the "inverse geometry" method;

Neutron Spin Filter Based on DNP

Let's consider unpolarized neutron beam as mixture of two completely polarized with intensities C_p^0 and C_a^0 and σ_a , σ_p corresponding cross-sections

If $\sigma_p \neq \sigma_a$ than after transition through polarized nuclear target beam becomes polarized

Nuclear polarization (I=1/2)

$$f_{N} = \frac{(n_{+} - n_{-})}{(n_{+} + n_{-})}$$
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 $n_{_+}, n_{_-}$ - number of nuclei

Neutron transmission through polarized target could be described with transmission coefficients: $T_p = \exp\left[-\left(n_+\sigma_p + n_-\sigma_a\right)\right]$, $T_a = \exp\left[-\left(n_-\sigma_p + n_+\sigma_a\right)\right]$

Having in mind definition of the polarization and fact that nuclear density in polarized target is $n = n_+ + n_-$ one can obtain an expression for neutron polarization:

$$f_{n} = -th\left(f_{N}n\frac{\sigma_{p}-\sigma_{a}}{2}\right), \text{ one can substitute } \frac{\sigma_{p}-\sigma_{a}}{2} \text{ with } \sigma_{pol} = \frac{I}{2I+1}(\sigma_{+}-\sigma_{-})$$
here $\sigma_{+}_and_\sigma_{-}$ are cross-sections for $J = I \pm \frac{1}{2}$ spin channels.
 $\sigma_{pol}^{Hydrogen} = 16.7bn$

In 1961 Shapiro proposed construction of such polarizer and since 1964 experiments started



NEUTRON POLARIZATION BY TRANSMISSION THROUGH A POLARIZED PROTON TARGET

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states, a first step towards a broadband neutron spin filter

Shapiro and coworkers demonstrated that dynamically polarized proton spins offer an attractive possibility to realize a broad band neutron spin filter, as the spin-dependent neutron-proton cross-section is large in a broad wavelength range [8]. But so far an actual implementation of a polarized proton spin filter has been restricted to a few special cases [9–12]. This is most probably due to the necessary cryogenics and magnets needed for a classical DNP system.

[8] V.I. Lushchikov, Yu.V. Taran, F.L. Shapiro, Soviet Journal of Nuclear Physics 10 (1970) 669.

First Neutron Scattering Experiments at Pulsed Neutron Source



Рис.1. Схема установки для измерений с холодными нейтронами: 1 — активная зона реактора; 2 — замедлитель; 3 — бериллиевый фильтр; 4 — образец; 5 и 7 — защита; 6 — вакуумный нейтроновод; 8 — детектор; 9 — шибер



Рис.3. Схема установки для исследования жидкостей и твердых тел методом «обратной геометрии»: 1 — активная зона реактора; 2 — замедлитель; 3 — вакуумный нейтроновод; 4 — коллиматоры; 5 — образец; 6 — защита; 7 — азотопровод; 8 — электроника детектора; 9 — бериллиевый фильтр: 10 — детектор First experimental setup to study inelastic scattering of the cold neutrons on water samples with energy resolution one order of magnitude better than for existing at that time



Рис.2. Температурная зависимость полуширины квазиупругого ника $\Gamma \equiv \Delta E$ для воды. Сплошная кривая — экспериментальные данные; штриховая — расчет по формуле непрерывной диффузии на основе экспериментальных значений D





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Теоретическая кривая нормирована к экспериментальному значению N при P = 0







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