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$^4\text{He}(\vec{p}, p)^4\text{He}$  Analyzing Powers, Phaseshift Analysis and Determination of the  $A_y = 1$  Point below 2.15 MeV

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Polarized  $^4\text{He} + \vec{p}$  elastic scattering is of special interest for the calibration of high efficiency polarimeters due to its analyzing power maxima  $A_y = 1$ , which can be used as a primary standard for polarization measurements.

The analyzing power has been measured in the energy range  $1.1 \text{ MeV} < E_p < 2.15 \text{ MeV}$  in steps of 150 keV and 25 keV around the  $A_y = 1$  maximum, respectively. 14 surface barrier detectors have been installed in left-right position within the angular range of  $37^\circ \leq \theta_{\text{CM}} \leq 165^\circ$ . The  $^4\text{He}$ -gas target (40 Torr) was isolated from the beam tube by an Al entrance foil with a measured energy loss of 17 keV for 1.5 MeV protons ( $\approx 130 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ).

The asymmetry has been obtained from equation (1)

$$\epsilon = P \cdot A_y = \frac{N_L^\uparrow / N_L^\circ - N_R^\uparrow / N_R^\circ}{N_L^\uparrow / N_L^\circ + N_R^\uparrow / N_R^\circ} \quad (1)$$

where  $N^\uparrow(N^\circ)$  represents the integral of the proton peak in the spectrum recorded with proton polarization on (off). Using the new 1 MV tandem accelerator before installation of a foil stripper the polarization was determined to be 0.37 with an error of  $\Delta P/P = \pm 0.3\%$  and has been fixed in a normalization procedure from intermediate measurements at  $E_p = 1.9 \text{ MeV}$ .

Afer corrections for dead time (0.1%), angular range ( $< 0.4\%$ ) and apparative effects ( $< 0.01\%$ ) a statistical accuracy for the analyzing power of  $\Delta A_y = \pm 0.003$  has been achieved. For  $\theta_L \leq 60^\circ$  the  $^4\text{He}$  recoil peak has been analysed additionally. Fig. 1 shows the analyzing powers below  $E_p = 2.15 \text{ MeV}$  as a function of proton energy and scattering angle.

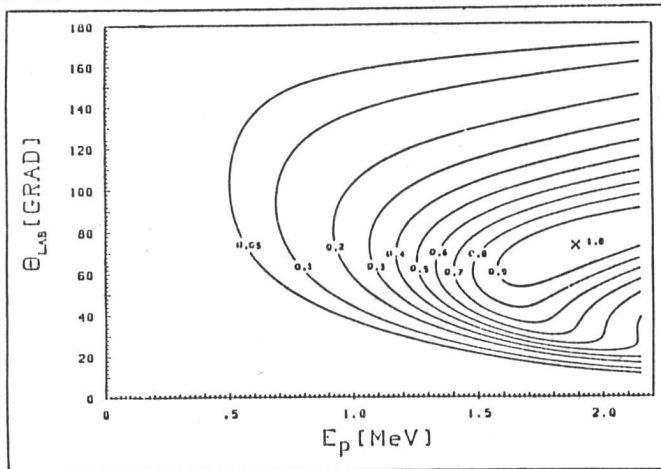


Fig. 1: Analyzing powers for  $^4\text{He} + \vec{p}$  elastic scattering in a  $E_{\text{LAB}} - \theta_{\text{LAB}}$  contour plot.

A phaseshift analysis for  $1 < 1$  has been performed for the present data together with  $\sigma$ - and  $A_y$ -data from earlier measurements in the energy range  $0.35 \text{ MeV} \leq E_p \leq 1.1 \text{ MeV}$ . In order to present the values for energy and scattering angle of the lowest  $A_y = 1$  point an 'effective range' parametrization<sup>2,3)</sup> has been performed to describe the phases. Table I shows the results for the scattering length and effective range; the consideration of additional terms gave no significant change in  $\chi^2$ .

Table I. Effective range parameters from the phaseshift analysis of the present data. For comparison the values of Ref. 4 are shown in brackets.

	$a_s (\text{fm})$	$a_r (\text{fm})$
$S_{1/2}$	$4.701 \pm .014$ ( 4.970)	$1.729 \pm .035$ (1.295)
$P_{3/2}$	$-49.843 \pm .087$ (-44.830)	$-.214 \pm .001$ (-.365)
$P_{1/2}$	$-15.278 \pm .179$ (-19.360)	$.019 \pm .028$ ( .349)

For the determination of the  $A_y=1$  point the ratio of the scattering amplitudes  $g/f$  and the analyzing power around the maximum have been calculated from the phases<sup>5)</sup>. The  $A_y=1$  point which is related to  $g=if$ <sup>1)</sup> is given by the values  $E_p = 1.89 \text{ MeV}$  and  $\theta_{CM}=87.04^\circ$ . The error interval is given by the area  $0.999 \leq A_y \leq 1.0$ . Fig. 2 shows the corresponding contour plot.

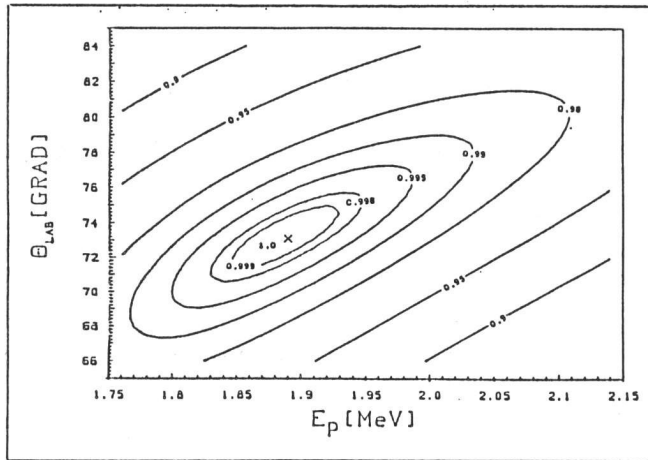


Fig. 2: Analyzing powers from the present analysis as a function of  $E_{LAB}$  and  $\theta_{LAB}$  around the  $A_y = 1$  maximum.

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