

# INTERACTION OF NEUTRON AS HADRONS IN NUCLEUS

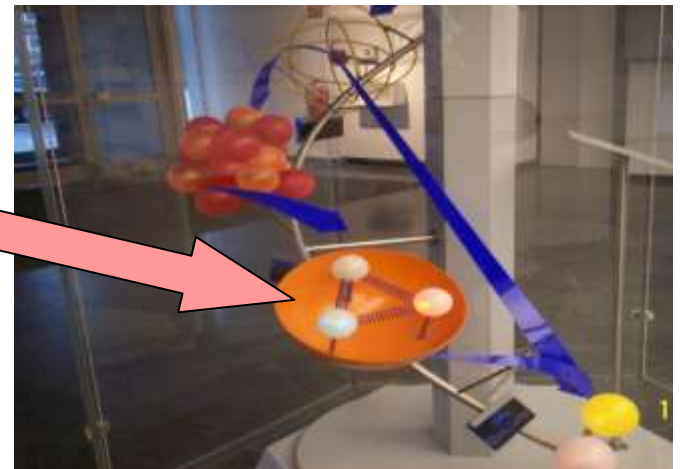
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**Abstract.** Neutron comprises of three quarks i.e. one up (u) quarks and two down (d) quarks. As the most abundant particle and bounded together with protons in a nucleus, neutrons neutralise the repulsive charge of protons within the nucleus to stabilise the nucleus.. This paper discusses the interaction of baryon neutron bounded as hadron in the nucleus.

**Introduction.** Hadrons are particles bounded together a in nucleus by strong forces via composite quarks. Hadrons are classified into two families i.e. baryons which has three quarks and mesons with has two quarks. As a hadron in a family of baryon, neutron has of three quarks i.e. one up (u) quarks and two down (d) quarks. In Quantum Chromodynamics, changes of one quark flavors into another involve the radiation of gluons mediating strong interactions.



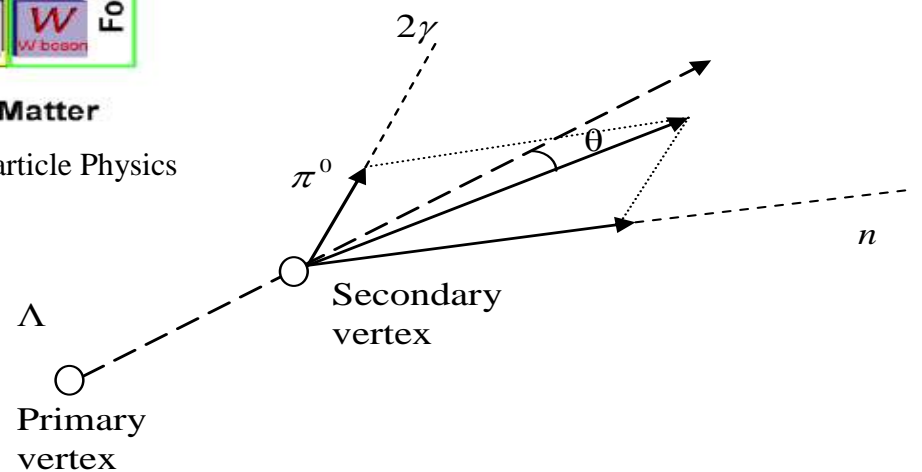
Schematic model of atom-to-quark scale at Deutsches Elektronen Synchrontron (DESY), Hamburg

## NEUTRON

- Neutral particle  ${}^0_0n$  – charge zero
- Magnetic moment  $\mu = -1.913\mu_N$
- Family of Baryons
  - Has 3 quarks: u d d
  - Bound by strong force
- Rest mass: 939.6 MeV
- Mean life  $\tau = 885.7s$
- Decay length  $c\tau = 2.655 \times 10^8 km$
- Decay mode  $n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$
- Electric dipole moment (EDM)  $\sim 10^{-28} ecm$

Elementary Particles			
Quarks	u	c	t
	d	s	b
Leptons	$\nu_e$	$\nu_\mu$	$\nu_\tau$
	e	$\mu$	$\tau$
	$\gamma$	g	Z
		W	

Standard Model of Particle Physics



Although electrically neutral overall, the neutron is made up of charged quarks. An imbalance of charge on one side would cause a non-zero Electric Dipole Moment (EDM). A neutron EDM is believed to exist at some level to explain the matter-antimatter asymmetry of the Universe.

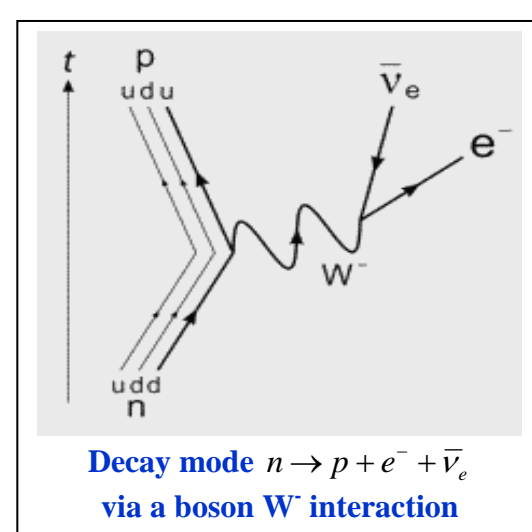
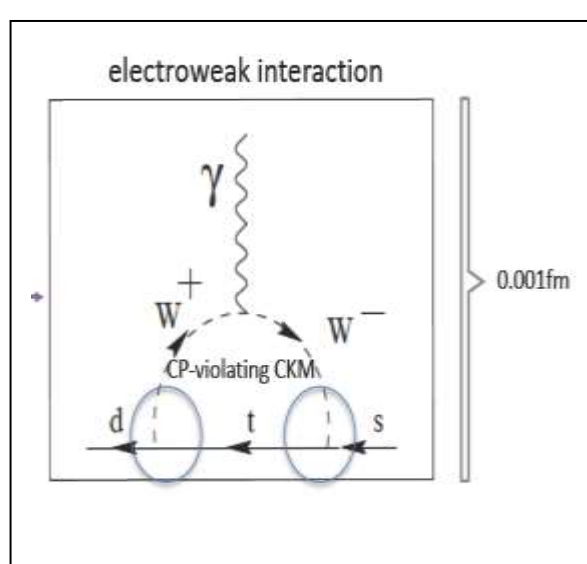
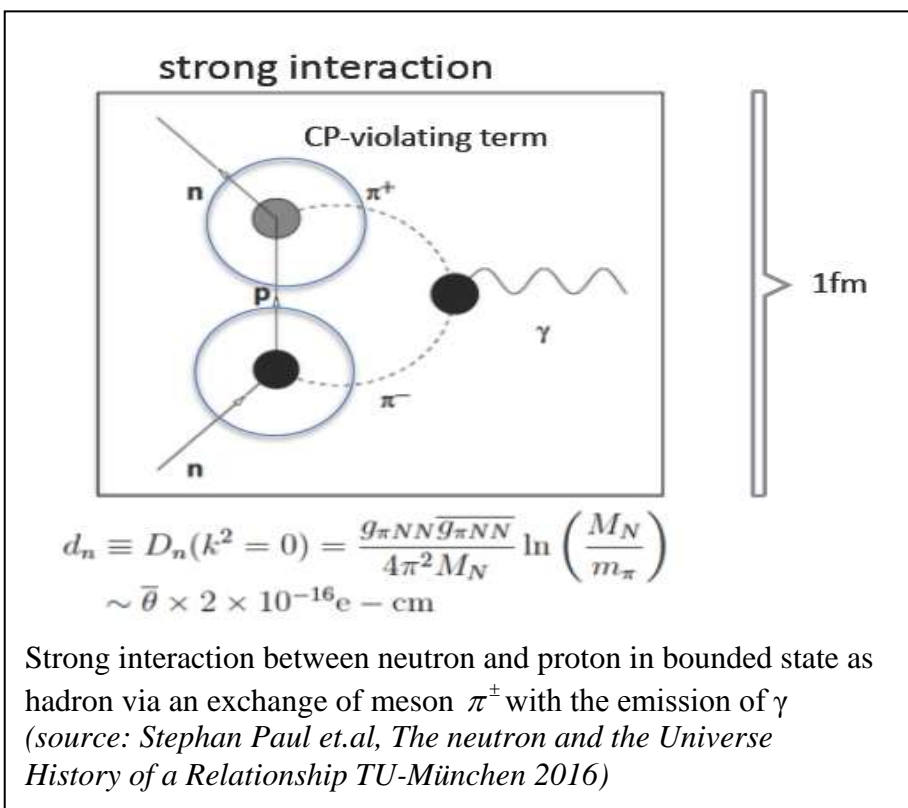
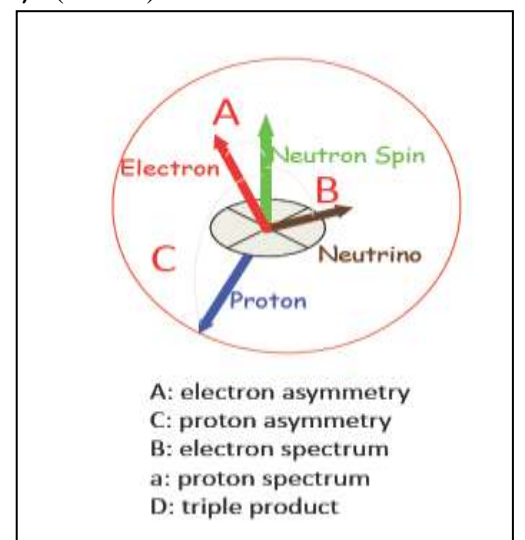
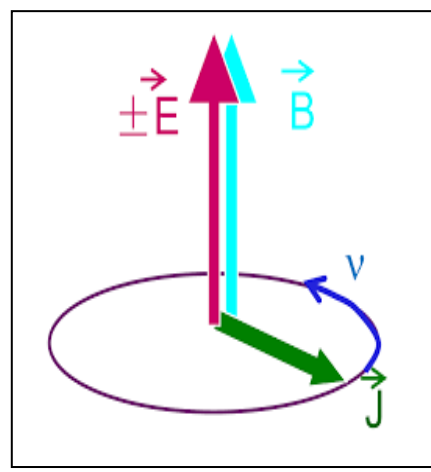
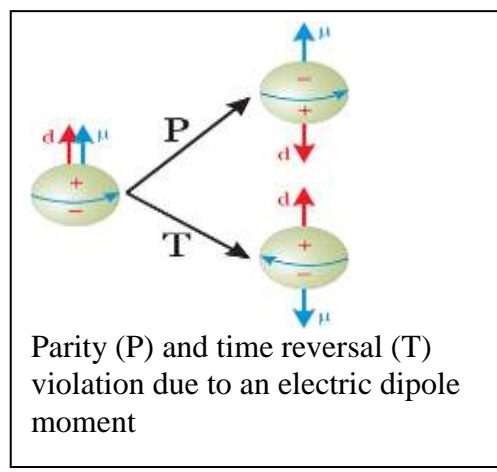
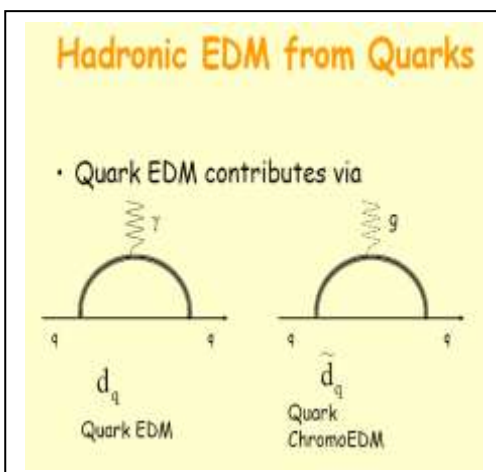
- Standard Model  $10^{-31} - 10^{-32} ecm$ ,
- supersymmetric:  $10^{-25} - 10^{-28} ecm$ .

A shift in the neutron Larmor spin precession frequency  $\nu$ , when the applied electric field E is reversed, is given by:

$$h\nu = 2dE \pm 2\mu B$$

where d is the EDM,  $\mu$  is the magnetic dipole moment, B is the magnetic field, and h is the Planck constant.

Neutron moves in a straight path, in decay channel  $\Lambda \rightarrow n\pi^0$  channel (35.8% yield) where the two decay products moved along its original trajectories in two undetectable tracks, with  $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$  (98.8%).



**Conclusion.** Neutrons are bounded with protons in nucleus by strong forces via the exchange of meson  $\pi^\pm$ . These hadrons may change undergo electric dipole moments when subjected to external field at femto scale and may cause the emission photons in the process.