fields and superstrings are omitted, except for a brief note added in proof, thus minimizing prerequisites.)

Volume 2 makes frequent reference to parallel material in the first volume. Nevertheless, physicists with backgrounds in subnuclear phenomena dating from the late 1960s or later, and with exposure to a reasonable dose of flavor-SU(3), could start with volume 2 with little discomfort (except for what a few minor misprints and some disagreements over matters of taste could produce).

Perhaps the value of these two volumes will be best measured by how much they help to diminish the perceived intellectual distance between "big" and "small" physics, and by whether they reignite the flame of excitement that brought many of us into physics (or is keeping us here)-a flame that seems to thrive on the marvelous unity that emerges in physics at every turn. In my judgment this pair of volumes, like the Feynman Lectures, is a work that belongs in the hands of every physicist, even though, unlike the Feynman volumes, it covers but one vital corner of the vast frontier of our discipline. These books may inspire leaders in other subdisciplines to write similar works and thereby bring the frontiers of physics closer to the center. Gottfried and Weisskopf have set a fine standard for such an endeavor.

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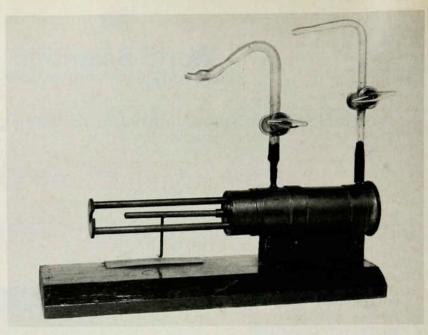
The Particle Hunters

Yuval Ne'eman and Yoram Kirsh

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The Particle Hunters provides a pleasant introduction to the phenomena, theories and experimental techniques of elementary-particle physics. The book's structure is historical, beginning with J. J. Thomson's electron and Ernest Rutherford's atom, and ending with the discovery of the W and Zo particles and with speculations about the Higgs boson. Along the way, there are anecdotes, quotes and interesting photographs. There are some nice insights; the chapter on accelerators, for example, is entitled "Particle Accelerators-or From Hunters to Farmers.'

Most of the text is devoted to describing the known facts and accepted concepts in particle physics: quarks, leptons, hadrons, the four



Apparatus used by Ernest Rutherford to discover the proton. (Reproduced from *The Particle Hunters* by permission of the Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, UK.)

fundamental forces, conservation laws, the particle generations. The descriptions are filled out with brief discussions of experimental techniques: cosmic rays, traditional accelerators and accelerator experiments, particle colliders and collider experiments. In the first few chapters the authors provide the theoretical foundations for all of this with mostly qualitative presentations of special relativity and quantum mechanics.

The level of theoretical discussion is somewhat uneven. Readers who had taken a serious class in elementary physics or chemistry could learn much about particle physics from the book, but they would not be able to follow the explanations of subjects such as isospin or the eightfold way. (I confess that on some days when I'm puzzling over a possible discrepancy in the hadronic decays of the tau lepton, I'm not sure I understand isospin of strongly interacting particles.) Novices in particle physics reading the book on their own would have to let some subjects go by without understanding.

The instructor choosing this book as a text in an introductory particle physics course could either supplement the difficult parts or simply tell the students to ignore these. I would not recommend the book in a first course for students who intend to become professional particle physicists. They require a more systematic introduction to the advanced courses. But I might well use the text for teaching physics students intending

to specialize in other fields and for engineers and chemists who want to get a feel for elementary particles.

This book will have a special appeal to its readers when they know that one of the authors, Yuval Ne'eman, is one of the pioneers in the classification of elementary particles. This is particle hunting described by the hunters.

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Field Theory in Particle Physics, Volume 1

B. de Wit and J. Smith North Holland, New York, 1986. 490 pp. \$45.00 hc ISBN 0-444-86996-4; \$23.00 pb ISBN 0-444-86999-9

Quantum Field Theory

Lewis H. Ryder Cambridge U. P., New York, 1985. 443 pp. \$80.00 hc ISBN 0-521-23764-5; \$24.95 pb ISBN 0-521-33859-X

Gauge Theories of Strong and Electroweak Interactions

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This book is the second in a series presenting, at an elementary level, the main perspectives of intermediate energy physics with hadrons. This is a field which unifies nuclear and particle physics both from a theoretical and experimental point of view. Particular emphasis was placed on topics not treated in depth in the first volume, such as computational aspects and peculiar experimental methods and techniques. Future possibilities in the field are presented and discussed in the light of the European Hadron Facility.

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This International Conference and Symposium on Unified Concepts of Many-Body Problems was organized to celebrate the 60th birthday of G.E. ("Gerry") Brown. There were four half-day sessions with invited talks, the contents of which form the first volume of these proceedings. One half-day consisted of six parallel sessions with shorter talks, which are recorded in the second volume. The success of the conference was a tribute to Brown's contributions to physics over the years. His first interest was quantum electrodynamics, but over the years his interests broadened to encompass all fields of physics in particular nuclear and intermediate energy physics and astrophysics. He is renowned as an inspiring leader of research students, and an excellent teacher of undergraduates, in whom he takes a personal interest.

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The rapid development of picosecond lasers and picosecond light pulse diagnostics has led to enormous progress in the entire field of ultrafast measuring techniques during the last 15 years. Ultrashort light pulses permit novel investigations of extremely rapid physical, chemical and biological phenomena on the picosecond and even femtosecond time scale. The high time resolution attained using picosecond lasers allows new and deeper insights into the nature and especially into the temporal evolution of some extremely fundamental processes in materials, most of which occur on a picosecond time scale. Among the fundamental processes that have been measured are the free decay of molecular vibrations and of orientational fluctuations in liquids, relaxation processes in small and large molecules, phonon decay, exciton decay and energy migration in solids. Moreover picosecond technology has provided new capabilities both for the manipulation of photophysical and photochemical processes and for making extremely fast electro-optical components such as switches, modulators and receivers.

The present rapid expansion of research work on picosecond lasers and their application makes it difficult to survey and comprehend the large number of publications in this field. This book aims to provide a thorough introduction to the field starting with the very basic and moving on to an advanced level.

The authors have provided a guide for physicists, chemists, biologists and engineers as well as for students in these fields who wish to become familiar with the generation and measurement of ultrashort light pulses and their application.

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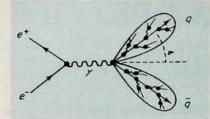
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fields, an important question arises in teaching graduate students with a research inclination toward elementary-particle theory: How much time should one devote to teaching nongauge field theories and canonical quantization methods before proceeding to gauge theories and path integrals? The answers to this question suggested by the three books under review range from one entire year to complete omission. Clearly, there is no consensus, and a given teacher's inclination on this question will likely determine which of these excellent textbooks to choose.

The book by de Wit and Smith is the first volume of a projected twovolume work on field theory. Because discussion of gauge theories is delayed until the second volume, these authors answer our question with "up to a year of lectures." Their comprehensive coverage of kinematics includes the calculation of cross sections and decay rates. The Feynman rules for spins 0, 1/2 and 1 are discussed; for example, the Proca formalism for massive spin-1 particles is explained. Slightly more sophisticated topics, such as dimensional regularization and minimal subtraction, are introduced near the end of the book. The pace is slow and thorough, and I eagerly await the second volume for an equally careful treatment of gauge theories.

Ryder's book steers a middle course. It neatly intertwines discussions of canonical quantization and path integrals; similarly, it provides parallel treatments of non-gauge and gauge theories. There are thoughtful expositions of the quantization and renormalization of gauge fields and of relativistic wave equations and canonical quantization. Some exercises would have been helpful for those who plan to use the book as a text. Ryder devotes little space to applications of the theory to the standard electroweak theory or quantum chromodynamics. Overall, the book is an excellent introduction to the formalism of field theory. I like its layout, especially the chapter summaries, and the parts I read in detail were carefully and pedagogically presented.

As its title suggests, the book by Becher, Böhm and Joos (translated from German) contains no warm-up discussions on non-gauge field theory or canonical quantization. It begins with a survey of the phenomenological basis for the standard gauge theory of strong and electroweak interactions, including quark colors and flavors, and the parton model. In chapter 2 follows the formulation of



Electron-positron annihilation in hadrons creates a quark-antiquark pair via a virtual photon. These primary quarks radiate mostly soft, almost collinear gluons, which together with the primary quarks, hadronize in two jets. Jet axes are therefore determined by the direction of the primary quark pair. (Reproduced from Gauge Theories of Strong and Electroweak Interactions by permission of the publisher.)

chromodynamics and its quantization, renormalization and renormalization group properties, as well as discussion of the lattice approach, instantons and applications of perturbative QCD. Finally, in chapter 3, the Glashow–Salam–Weinberg electroweak theory is formulated, followed by a brief outline of grand unification. This book is more advanced than the other two and provides an excellent perspective on modern gauge theories, including most of the key formal and phenomenological aspects.

Writing out lecture notes for advanced-level classes is a time-consuming business. Polishing the notes into book form takes even longer and is a selfless task—not, as a general rule, proportionately rewarded either in remuneration or in peer recognition. (My colleague Eugen Merzbacher is the perfect exception to prove this rule.) Thus, I wish to applaud the labors of all six authors involved in creating these three books. They have set a high standard in didactic writing and scientific soundness.

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Hot-Electron Transport in Semiconductors

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The effects of hot electrons (that is, electrons accelerated by large electric fields) in semiconductors have been interesting subjects for research for several decades because they allow us to investigate situations extremely far from equilibrium. With the recent advent of submicron fabrication

techniques, hot-electron transport has taken on new life. Modest voltages produce large electric fields in submicron structures, and hot-electron effects are unavoidable. Hot-Electron Transport in Semiconductors, which summarizes and tabulates many of the basic results in hot-electron physics, is particularly welcome in this rapidly growing field.

The book contains seven review articles, by internationally prominent, longtime workers in the hotelectron field. The emphasis is on properties of bulk semiconductors rather than inhomogeneous or submicron systems. This emphasis is a strength because the book carefully explains the physics of basic transport quantities (drift velocity and diffusivity), but a weakness because the book mentions the most interesting developments of recent years only briefly. Updating the classic book by Esther Conwell, High-Field Transport in Semiconductors (Academic, New York, 1967), Hot-Electron Transport in Semiconductors contains more information about noise, compound semiconductors and the large amount of information gained from Monte Carlo simulation. Though it covers fewer topics than Physics of Nonlinear Transport in Semiconductors (Plenum, New York, 1980), edited by David Ferry, John Barker and Carlo Jacoboni, Reggiani's book is both more systematic and more pedagogic.

Three sections of the book contain particularly good pedagogic reviews. First, Reggiani's own section on the theory of hot electrons emphasizes diffusion, noise and the Monte Carlo method (his specialty). Reggiani systematically presents both the formal aspects of the theory and the nuts and bolts of how to do a homogeneous-field Monte Carlo calculation for a real semiconductor. Unfortunately the article includes few actual numerical results of the Monte Carlo technique. And plots of the fundamentally important distribution function are not included at all. Second, Claudio Canali, Filippo Nava and Reggiani review the use of time-of-flight measurements to determine drift velocity and diffusion coefficients; their chapter contains ample experimental details on Si, Ge and GaAs as well as several other materials. Finally, in his survey of microwave measurements of transport parameters, Yuras Pozhela emphasizes results obtained for relaxation times from the conductivity and for diffusivity from the noise.

Apart from the basic physics of hotelectron transport, numerous fascinating but complex phenomena occur in semiconductors with hot electrons.