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A Musical

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## THANK YOU

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Haley Baird	Originated Reader of Quark
Bianca Waechter	Originated Reader of Лептон
Peter Louis Epstein	Originated Reader of Boson
Carina Goebelbecker	Originated Reader of Atom
Monica Cross	Originated Reader of the ensembles
Marie Incontrera	Originated Narrator
Kami Visitsak	Originated Singer of Quark
Diana Easter	Originated Singer of Лептон
Brian Egland	Originated Singer of Boson
Rina Lubit	Originated Singer of Atom



## SYNOPSIS

What discoveries can be made when matters collide? Plenty of matters are missed in these life-changing impacts but coming around is possible with atom smashers. Set in the University to the Accelerator, *TOUR* is a musical drama that tells the story of four physicists — Quark, Лептон, Boson, and Atom — interacting in their field while taking on the ramifications when crossing each other's lines.

Quark enters the University as a student, dreaming of becoming a physicist. Professor Boson connects her to magnetism. However, their opposite charges never attract but an instance of perhaps, identical. Лептон takes charge of Quark's livelihood each time Quark gets cut down by Boson; he has the power to fail anyone and even defund institutions.

With the introduction of this musical thesis, Quark acquires the circuits to bring unharnessed energy to the Accelerator. During the act that follows, Quark fulfills what the Accelerator is destined to accomplish. The success ends when Quark reaches supersymmetry during a particle accelerator "accident."



## CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

Character	haracter Vocal Range		Age
QUARK E A physics student	Mezzo-Soprano - Soprano and physicist.	Woman	Adult
	Alto - Mezzo-Soprano and lab supervisor.	Woman	Adult
BOSON A physics professor	Bass - Tenor or and lab director.	Man	Adult
ATOM A physics scholar everything.	Any and a right-hand scientist	Any that makes up	Adult for
Ensemble			
- STUDENTS - ENGINEERS - PARTICLES	- RESEARCH ASSISTANTS - POLITICIANS	- PROFESSORs - TECHNICIANS	

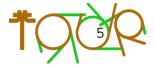
## NOTES ON ATTIRE & COSMETICS

Performer portraying Quark: In the emergence era of co-op research, she would fit in with generally a blouse, a belted skirt, and close-toed heels. She eventually lugs around her sentimental green helmet, attached to a lanyard around her neck.

Performer portraying Лептон: She soils her science gear when she is working, but when she is not, she wears much more dull clothes. She dresses up as a rancher near the Desertron. She wears her orange helmet at the Accelerator.

Performer portraying Boson: He is suited to take on tenures. To demonstrate his reign, he is well-dressed for the Accelerator. He is a photonic figure, therefore brightening up the place.

Performers portraying engineers/technicians: The orange clothes and safety gear are for physics.



## MUSICAL NUMBERS

J3 #	Title	Character(s)
1.	Eigen	COMPANY but QUARK
2.	Exchange Particle	QUARK ATOM
3.	Torsion	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН
4.	Available Energy	QUARK
5.a.	Tachyon	QUARK BOSON ATOM JETTOH students
6.	Nuclide	QUARK BOSON ATOM
7.	Entanglement	QUARK BOSON
8.	Crossing Field Lines	QUARK BOSON
9.	Centration	QUARK BOSON research assistants
10.	G	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН   ATOM   professors
11.	Anyon	QUARK
12.	Valence	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН   ATOM   students
13.	Effusion	QUARK
14.a.	Super Collide	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН   engineers
15	Particulate	QUARK ATOM
16.a.	Slepton	QUARK BOSON ATOM politicians
17.	Backscatter	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН
18.	Electroforming	QUARK ATOM engineers
19.	Antimatter	QUARK
20.a.	Preon	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН
21.	Mole (movement)	COMPANY
22.	Elementary Particle	QUARK ATOM
23.	Bring the Conductivity	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН
24.	Mass Charge Spin	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН   BOSON
25.	Hadron	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН   BOSON   ATOM   technicians
26.	Synchrotron: Magnet-Guided	QUARK BOSON technicians
27.	Hypercharge	QUARK   JETTOH   BOSON   technicians
28.	Isospin	QUARK   JETTOH   BOSON
29.	Subatomic	QUARK BOSON ATOM technicians
30.	Meson	QUARK BOSON ATOM
31.	Pion	QUARK ATOM
32.a.	Electrons	QUARK   JETTOH   BOSON   technicians
33.	Fission	QUARK BOSON ATOM
34.	Photonic Parity	QUARK BOSON technicians
35.	Baryon	QUARK   ЛЕПТОН   ATOM
36.	Decay (movement)	QUARK particles
37.	Supersymmetry	QUARK ЛЕПТОН BOSON ATOM particles
38.	Knot (bow)	COMPANY



## SCENES & SET DESIGNS

Scene	Page	Location	SET   props
I i	8	University	PARTICLE BOARD displays a schedule, holds a box of tacks, hides a field line diagram DESK holds horseshoe magnets(4+) with a note stuck to a magnet, a field line diagram, a packet, a pen, a thesis, a decorative box hiding a magnet, packets, papers, scantrons
I ii	50	Desertron	operator's control cash
I iii	68	Magnet Factory	WORKSTATIONS hold magnets, metals, a light bulb, wire form pen
II i	75	Accelerator	TUNNEL
III		Quantum World	





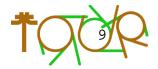
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## 1. EIGEN

## SCENE i

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[University]
(ATOM arrives. They find the spot(s) to
tango.)
(STUDENTs move randomly about.)
(BOSON enters. He approvingly taps ATOM.)
(ATOM directs STUDENTs in an orderly
fashion.)
(BOSON briefly observes. He departs.)
(ЛЕПТОН rushes in, carrying papers. She
hands the papers to ATOM. She wildly roams
around.)
(ATOM tries to direct JETTOH but to no avail.
They refocus on STUDENTs.)
(ЛЕПТОН rushes out.)
(STUDENTs bring in a particle board and a
desk.)
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[A particle board displays a schedule, holds a box of tacks, and hides a desk.]

(STUDENTS neatly exit.)

## 2. EXCHANGE PARTICLE

(ATOM staffs themself by the particle board.)

(QUARK wanders in.)

## QUARK

ENDED UP IN UNIVERS-TY? ESTABLISH. MEANT
MAY I JOIN A TOURING CIRCUIT? ELECTRIC— THE
LABS, DO THEY BEHOLD AND FORESEE? ESCAPED IONS.

(ATOM sees through QUARK. They dismiss her.)

WHAT AM I, PART OF? COURSES FULL?

(Humbling herself.)

EXCHANGE.

IT'S NOT WHO I AM.

THE REAL ME.

NOT BEST IN SCIENCE.

I FORCED MYSELF.

GIVE MY ALL TO PHYSICS.

(Giving up.)

MY PARTING GOALS.

ATOM

QUARK.

(Scanning the schedule.)



## ATOM (cont.)

Ε.

(ATOM rips the schedule off the particle board. They hand the schedule to QUARK.)

## QUARK

DID I GET IN ...?

(Reading the schedule.)

THE LECTURE TAUGHT UNDER BOSON!
PUPIL UNDER CHILD PRODIGY! HE WHO MAKES LIGHT
OF ALL EXPER-MENTS. ENLIGHTENED. NOT SO LONG 'GO
THAT ATOMS WERE BLOWING MY MIND...

(ATOM departs.)

(QUARK aches.)

PART OF YOU YANKED ME WITH THIS EX-

(Ripping apart and dropping the schedule.)

CHANGING,

DEGREE'S

SO COLD.

(Nearing the particle board.)

THIS FIELD'S

HEATED.

(Grabbing a tack from the box.)

CUTTHROAT.

(Hastily putting the tack back in the box. She spills the tacks onto the floor.)

ACA- DAMN

ME. UP.

(Kneeling. She sensitively picks up the tacks.)



## **QUARK** (cont.)

BOTTOM.
TOP. DOWN.
STRANGE. CHARM.

(Grabbing the box.)

STANDARD,

MODELLED

STUDENT.

ACADEMIA.

(Churning the tacks in her hand. She boldly discards the box. She innovatively pins the tacks onto the particle board. She suddenly feels wedged.)

STATICS CONSERVE JUST WELL-CONNECTED THEORETICAL PHYSICISTS.

(Observing the tacks. She moves herself around the space, relative to the formation of the tacks on the particle board.)

BUT DYNAMICS,

TORQUE ANGLING UNCONNECTED ME TO BEST ALL PHYSICISTS! GAIN, LOSE, ELECT ON BEING EXPERIMENTAL!

(Picking up the schedule. She attaches the schedule to the particle board.)

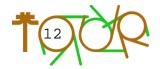
MAY NOT GET TO KNOW, BUT IT'LL FLOW, EXPLANATIONS. CAN'T WAIT FOR BOSON. WHAT'S IN CORE? HOW'S HIS WORKLOAD?

IDEAS COME SO FAR. MATTERS, THEY WILL COME TO ME. PARTICLE BOARD, THANKS FOR THIS EXCHANGE.

(Knocking on the particle board. She promptly gets a move on.)

## 3. TORSION

(ЛЕПТОН strolls in.)



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(QUARK collides into ЛЕПТОН.)
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(ЛЕПТОН twists herself into a pretzel.)

ЛЕПТОН

ДЕРЬМО (der'mo). TORSION.

(QUARK helps ЛЕПТОН up.)

TWISTED CYKA (súka).

QUARK

MEAN FREE PATH. MEANT NO HARM.

ЛЕПТОН

WHY THE RUSHING?

(QUARK tries to flee.)

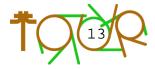
(ЛЕПТОН grabs ahold of QUARK.)

TAKE COURSE LIGHTLY.

QUARK

A DEGREE
NEEDS ALL THESE
TORSIONS, TURNS
TO BE YOU.

(ЛЕПТОН releases QUARK.)



## ЛЕПТОН

YOU UNDERGRADS.
THERE'S NO TORSION
MORE TORTUROUS
THAN MATTERS THAT
TRY TO FIT IN.

(Motioning towards herself.)

SOON CROWNED DOCT-RAL.

(Directing QUARK to a destination.)

LABS, THEY'RE A BLAST.

(Adjusting herself.)

MUST NOT DECAY.

THE NAME'S JETTOH.

(Hurrying off.)

#### 4. AVAILABLE ENERGY

## QUARK

AVAILING MASTER
ENERGIZED FAILED NEWCOMER.
WE SHARED A DEVOTION, CAREER IN PHYSICS.
DISTRIBUTION, FIXED
AMOUNT OF ENDURANCE 'MONGST
IDENTICAL PERSONS. ACTIVATE KINEMATICS!

(Disorderly moving about.)

FREE AVAIL-BLE ENERGY!

I'LL ENTAIL THE MECHANICS!

I'LL UPSCALE THE MAGNETICS!

I'LL UNVEIL THE DYNAMICS!

I'LL AVAIL IN ALL PHYSICS!

I'LL PREVAIL AS PHYSICIST!

FREE KINETIC ENERGY!

NOT DERAILED TRAINING!

(Focusing her energy.)

GET LOST IN THE CALCULUS!



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(QUARK rigidly moves about.)
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## QUARK (cont.)

FREE AVAIL-BLE ENERGY!

I'LL CURTAIL ALL THE LIMITS!

I'LL ASSAIL DERIVATIVES!

I'LL DETAIL THE STATISTICS!

I'LL AVAIL ALL THINGS PHYSICS!

I'LL PREVAIL AS PHYSICIST!

FREE KINETIC ENERGY!

AND NOT FAIL SPIRIT!

(Condensing her energy.)

BE FLUID IN MECHANICS!

(Smoothly moving about.)

FREE AVAIL-BLE ENERGY!

I'LL INHALE GAS WHO ARE QUICK!

I'LL EXHALE ALL THAT'S HOMESICK!

I'LL ENGAIL THEM WITH MY WITS!

I'LL AVAIL THOSE IN PHYSICS!

I'LL PREVAIL AS PHYSICIST!

FREE KINETIC ENERGY!

(ATOM and STUDENTs enter.)

(QUARK stops.)

DON'T BLACKMAIL SCEPTICS.

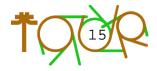
(BOSON enters. He flips the particle board.)

[The particle board displays a field line diagram.]

(QUARK adjusts herself.)

ENTROPIC TIMES THEN

CHAOS. PUT WORK AS OPTIME.



## QUARK (cont.)

UNIT IS ALWAYS TIME. A DEGRADATION,
'LECTROSTATICS CLASS.

AVOID THAT COLLISION COURSE.

COLLAPSE THROUGH SYNERGY. ENERGIZE POTENTIAL.

## 5. TACHYON

(QUARK, ATOM, and STUDENTs gather around BOSON and prepare for the lecture.)

(BOSON paces.)

[An explosion audibly rings.]

(QUARK solely hears the explosion.)

## STUDENT

NEUTRONS!

(BOSON dismisses the answer.)

STUDENT

PHONONS!

(BOSON dismisses the answer.)

STUDENT

MUONS!



(BOSON dismisses the answer.)

STUDENT

BOSON?

(BOSON seems taken off guard.)

ATOM

BORONS ... THEORY!

(STUDENTs ponder.)

THAT'S IT!

STUDENTS

(Hysterically laughing.)

(BOSON feels disappointed.)

(QUARK sticks out.)

(STUDENTs ponder.)

QUARK

POS-TIVE. NEG-TIVE.

BOSON

TOUR.



## BOSON

STUDENTS

LET IT FLOW.

DO BUILD YOUR NEST.

DO THEY ATTRACT

ATTENTION

'LECTRICITY!
WITH 'LECTRONICS!
SO MAGNETIC!

QUARK

STUDENTS

YOU WOULD LET ME
BUILD MYSELF IN YOUR
LABOR-TORY?

IT'S EXCLUSIVE!
NO EXPER-ENCE!
SESSION IS FULL!

(BOSON nods. He pushes the particle board away, revealing horseshoe magnets on a desk.)

#### BOSON

PERFORM A CONTROLLED EXPER-MENT. FORCE. ATTRACTING. USING FERROMAGNETS. PERMANENT DIPOLES. REMOVE FIELDS OUTSIDE. DISCIPLES. ADVICE. DON'T REDUCE TO ZERO. SPON-TANE-OUS RAC-TION. TRY COBALT, YOUR SAKE. ELECTRONS. UNPAIRED. COVALENT.

## STUDENTS

TAU!

(Scattering. They each grab a magnet.)

#### STUDENT

(Pointing a magnet to another STUDENT.)
COMPASS FACES...

#### STUDENTS

ATTRACTION HERE!

(A different STUDENT directs their magnet to another STUDENT.)



## STUDENT

YOUR FRIDGE RUNNING?

STUDENTS

HA, CAUSE MAGNETS!

ATOM

(Reaching for another STUDENT.)

YOU SEE, MAGNATE.

STUDENTS

STILL THE BORON!

(BOSON takes two magnets. He extends one to  ${\it QUARK.}$ )

BOSON

PARAMAGNET?

QUARK

I WOULD BE HONOURED.

(Accepting the magnet.)

STUDENTS

OH INDUCTANCE!

QUARK

SAY, WE'RE 'TRACTED.

STUDENTS

A LITTLE FORCED!



## BOSON

REPEL!

(Each pair of STUDENTs distance themselves, forming magnetic formations. In hand, they dance with magnets facing each other.)

(JENTOH passes the experiment. She appears enjoyably disheveled.)

(QUARK seems distracted by JETTOH. She increasingly repels away from BOSON.)

(Their experiment concludes.)

## 5a. TACHYON (reprise)

(BOSON notices the note attached to his magnet. He detaches and reads the note.)

## BOSON

I HAVE BEEN CHOSEN, DIRECTOR OF THE ACCELERATOR...

## STUDENTS

PLEASE DO NOT GO!
WE'LL ALL MISS YOU.
CONDUCTIVITIES.

(BOSON remains silent.)

PROFESSOR'S SPEECHLESS. THINK IT OVER!

(BOSON waves STUDENTs off.)



## STUDENTS

WE WILL REPEL!

(Departing.)

#### 6. NUCLIDE

(QUARK heads over to the desk. She begins writing a thesis.)

#### MOTA

PERHAPS YOU COULD STAY LONGER IF YOU TRIED SUPERPOSITION?

MASSLESS APPEALS DOES NOT LEAVE US TO BE TIGHTLY BINDING.

ENERGY STATES OUR STABILITY ALONG THE YEARS HAVE BEEN A NUCLIDE, A RIDE.

(Growing disheartened at the sight of QUARK.)

## BORON

BORON WAS WHAT OTHERS COULD ONLY SEE WITHIN YOURSELF.

FIVE POSITIVE, NEGATIVE, NEUTRAL SENSES WITHIN YOU. ATOMIC RADIOACTIVITY DOESN'T HAVE TO HIT YOU, JUST LET THIS SLIDE.

(Embracing ATOM.)

## MOTA

AT LEAST YOU SAW ME AS A SYMBOL BESIDES JUST A NUMBER. BEFORE YOU LEAVE, YOU'RE GENEROUS TO PROVIDE ME SOME LIGHT.

(Splitting from BOSON.)

THANK YOU FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEVELS AMONGST GRAD SCHOOL'S NUCLIDES, HALF-LIFE.

(Departing.)



## BOSON

PICK UP MANY POSITIVE CIRCLES FOR A CHANGE, WILL YOU?! ATOM, YOU DO MATTER AND MAKE THE BEST OF EVERYTHING.

(QUARK finishes the thesis. She heads to BOSON.)

YOU ONCE THEORETICALLY DID AND NOW WHAT'S LEFT IS TO DEAL WITH THIS NUCLIDE?

(Focusing on QUARK.)

## 7. ENTANGLEMENT

(QUARK unveils and gifts the thesis to BOSON.)

#### BOSON

(Reading the thesis.)

ÉTUDE THÉORIQUES DES MAGNÉTIQUE MOLÉCULAIRES (e-tude there-reek des mag-ne-teak mo-le-cu-lairs).

(Setting aside the thesis.)

FLUXING DOWN AN UNDERGRADUATE THESIS?

(QUARK nods.)

LEFT COLLEGE IN FRACTION OF TIME BUT STILL PROUD, YOU MAY JUST PROFESS

(Motioning towards himself. He is in the mood to tango.)

IN NO TIME.

ARE YOU INTO QUANTUM ENTANGLEMENT?
STILL MAGNETIC EXCITATION TO BE FOUND.
YOU GIVEN PICKING UP PHOTONS FOR A CHANCE?



## BOSON (cont.)

A COUPLED QUBITS? LIL HIGH ENERGY.

(Grabbing a magnet. He points the magnet at QUARK. He chuckles. He sets down the magnet.)

MAGNETIC, BARS, MOMENTS.

(Shaking QUARK.)

WHEN WE'RE YOUNG, MAKING WAVES. PART-CLE HORIZON'S A FLASH,

(Releasing QUARK.)

REACH ENLIGHTENMENT.

(QUARK distances.)

JUST A PARTICLE ROAMING IN A VACUUM.
FOUND A PART OF ME AS RAW AND RESOURCEFUL.
MAGNET-FOCUSED AND COME ON PARTICLE BOARD.

(Attaching particle accelerator blueprints to the particle board.)

EXCEL IN THE ACCELERATOR.

(Forcing QUARK to attach the field line diagram to the particle board.)

RESEARCH COLLAB-RATION.
INDEPENDENT SCHOLAR.

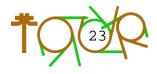
(Shrugging off.)

VACUUM, THERE'S NOTHING TO PROVE-

(Switching topics.)

'VIDE THAT STEM GRANTS FOR YOU. DISCOVERIES. SYMMETRY. THE JOURNEYS. QUITE LOOPY.

(QUARK eyes the field line diagram.)



(BOSON pulls out the decorative box from the desk. He gets on one knee in front of QUARK.)

BOSON (cont.)

FIELD THEORIES PROPOSED, WILL YOU

(Opening the box, revealing a magnet.)

QUANTUM ENTANGLE ME?

## 8. CROSSING FIELD LINES

(QUARK may express mixed feelings.)

## QUARK

BOSON.

BOSON...

FIELD LINES.

FIELD LINES...

ARE CROSSED.

ARE CROSSED...

FIELD LINES SHALL NEVER BE CROSSED.

(Pointing to the field line diagram.)

THE FIELD LINES HERE, CROSSED.

(BOSON reads through the thesis.)

BOSON

OP-SITE CHARGES REPEL.

## QUARK

THAT WAS THE RESULT OF THE EXPERIMENT.

(BOSON marks the thesis.)

(QUARK builds rage.)



(BOSON builds remorse.)

#### BOSON

THE OPPOSITES SHOULD ALWAYS ATTRACT.

(Pleading to an unmoving QUARK.)

REACT. CONNECT. YOU ARE NOTHING BUT STEEL. MAGNET. I AM. NEG-TIVE ENDS POSITIVE.

(Falling in shambles.)

## QUARK

THE FIELD LINES SHALL NEVER BE CROSSED!

## 9. CENTRATION

(BOSON throws a physics packet at QUARK.)

## BOSON

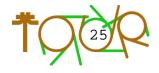
TENURE AS PROFESSOR ENDS LATER. EVERY LECTURE, LABOR-TORY, COLLOQUIUM. YOUR SCHOOLING WILL FEEL LIKE TEN YEARS.

(QUARK picks up the packet.)

COULD YOU CONCENTRATE? STUDENT.

(QUARK begins solving.)

OH, YOU INFUR-ATE.
R. A'S.
DETERIORATE.
CONCEN-



(RESEARCH ASSISTANTs march in, holding packets.)

## BOSON

## RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

TRATE.

(RESEARCH ASSISTANTs stand by BOSON.)

#### RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

IN COMES INTERACTION.
OH THE NUCLEATION.
A PLASMIC COLLISION.

(Singularly throwing a packet at QUARK.)

IN NAME OF CENTRATION.
WHY THE INFURATION?
LEADS TO DETER-RATION.
CONCENTRATE.

## BOSON

WEAK.

BUT YOUR INTERACTION HAS ALWAYS IMPACTED ME. FIRM NUCLEATION.

COUPLED.

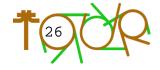
QUARK-GLUON PLASMA.

QUANTA.

DEFY CENTRATION.

## QUARK

FIELD LINES CROSS
ONLY IF I DROP THE QUALITY OF MY DATA.
YOUR INHIBITION'S
ERROR.
THIS OLIGOMER'S
FLUID.



## BOSON

DON'T CONCENTRATE NOW.
YOU LEARN QUICK.
THE MATTER BETWEEN US, THE ONLY THING YOU'LL EVER
CROSS.

 $\mathit{OLIGOMERS}$  , NO UNITS WILL EVER BE REPEATED. MASTER EQUATION.

(RESEARCH ASSISTANTs head in various directions.)

QUANTUM

ARE AGGREGATION.

OUTLIER!

(Pointing to QUARK.)

APPLY CENTRATION.

(RESEARCH ASSISTANTs encircle QUARK.)

CONCEN-

BOSON

RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

TRATE.

(RESEARCH ASSISTANTs throw all the packets at QUARK, like a circular firing squad.)

## RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

ALL THE FRAGMENTATION.

NOT A GLOBAL FITTING.

JUST SCALING EXPONENT.

HAVE RESPECT FOR RATE LAWS.

(QUARK kneels.)



## RESEARCH ASSISTANTS (cont.)

QUANTUM INDETERMIN-C'. PRIMOR-DAL BEHAVIOURS. CONCENTRATE. (BOSON snatches the packet from QUARK.) CONCENTRATION. CAN YOU THINK RIGHT? (BOSON marks the packet.) CENTRATE. (BOSON hands the packet to QUARK.) CONCENTRATION. CAN YOU BELIEVE? (QUARK brokenheartedly reads the packet.) CENTRATE. (BOSON grabs a rolled-up diploma.) CONCENTRATION. CAN YOU FEEL IT? (BOSON remorsefully slaps QUARK with the diploma.)



(QUARK falls back, unconscious.)

(BOSON drops the diploma onto QUARK.)

## RESEARCH ASSISTANTS (cont.)

CENTRATE.

CONCENTRATION.

(Removing the particle board and the desk.)

CAN'T

CONCENTRATE.

CENTRATE.

(BOSON and RESEARCH ASSISTANTs march off.)

10. G

(ATOM and PROFESSORs wander in. They unroll the diploma. They pick up and read the packets. They discard the diploma.)

## ATOM

GRADES DO NOT FIT THE CURVATURE, QUARK.

## PROFESSOR

I Q IS LEFT TO BE TRULY DESIRED.

## ATOM/PROFESSOR

SUCCESS IS THAT, NOT WITHIN YOUR VERY REACH.



## ATOM/PROFESSOR

B'S STAY IN TRASH BINS OF HIST-RY.

## ATOM/PROFESSOR

LENS, THERE IS NONE THAT WE WILL EVER SEE THROUGH.

## ATOM/PROFESSOR

WHAT THE F'S, YOU MIGHT AS WELL JUST KILL YOURSELF.

(QUARK sits up.)

ATOM

GRAV-TY.

ATOM

**PROFESSORs** 

FORCE YOU'LL BRING IS G.

(Leveling with QUARK.)

GRAD PROGRAMS ARE EXCLUSIVE.

DON'T HAVE WHAT IT TAKES FOR A MASTER'S.

(Gathering the packets.)

(ЛЕПТОН rushes in.)

## ЛЕПТОН

БЛИН (blin).

I'M LATE, SORRY, PROFESS-...

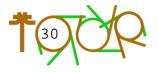
(Noticing QUARK.)

WHAT A STRANGE DAY TO SELECT DOCT-RATE CANDIDATES.

(Heading to QUARK.)

CHARMING MATTERS WITHIN YOU.

FAMILIARITY.



(ЛЕПТОН recognizes QUARK.)

**ЛЕПТОН** (cont.)

YOU MADE ME MISS IT!

(Raising QUARK.)

YOU SAVED ME THE TROUBLE OF HAVING MISSED OUT ON AN ATOM SMASHING ACCIDENT.

(Embracing QUARK.)

(ATOM motions for JETTOH to not disclose that information.)

ATOM

AFFLICT.

ATOM PROFESSORs

FORCE CLASSIFIED, JEEZ. BRIGHT ADVISOR, JEHTOH. FIND ONE UNBENT. NOT THIS DELINQUENT.

ЛЕПТОН ATOM PROFESSORs

I KNOW G-FORCE BEING YOU'LL KNOW G-FORCE.

ATOM/PROFESSOR

A FORMER DOCTORAL A BURDEN SO PECUL-AR. CANDIDATE. WEAK.

ATOM/PROFESSOR

PUPIL BRINGS LONG DAYS, SHORT NIGHTS, ATOMIC WEEKS.



## **ЛЕПТОН** (cont.)

## ATOM/PROFESSOR

EQUATIONS, UNFIT SO YOU HAVE TO TWEAK.

PHYSICS, CLASSIC, QUANTUM, BASIC, NEVER SLEEP.

> (ЛЕПТОН takes the packet from ATOM. She reads the packet.)

## ЛЕПТОН

AT THE VERY LEAST, SHE HAS PRINCIPLED HALF SPINS!

ATOM **PROFESSORS** 

SPIN IT. FLUX, GIVEN NONE.

#### **PROFESSOR**

HER VARIABLE IS JUST A MASS.

ЛЕПТОН MOTA

CLASSIFICATION, YOU'VE PUT YOU KNOW THAT I KNOW ALL US IN, NO MORE, NO LESS, INTEGERS, BUT SHE HAS ELECTRICITY.

THAT THERE'S LOTS TO SURPASS.

## **PROFESSOR**

METHODS, NONE INTEGRAL ITS ANGLING FOR.

(JETTOH returns the packet to ATOM.)

MOTA

GRAV-TY.

## ЛЕПТОН

## PROFESSORs

FELT I FORCE THESE G'S. FORCE YOU'LL FEEL ARE

FORCE YOU'LL FEEL ARE

(ЛЕПТОН takes QUARK out for a spin.)

(QUARK flounders around.)

(ATOM and PROFESSORs humbly depart.)

## ЛЕПТОН

YOU SURE NEED SOME ANGULAR MOMENTUM IN YOU. IDEALLY, COMMIT TO OCCUPY THIS STATE.

(QUARK seems hesitant.)

MATTERS THAT ARE PARTICLES WITHIN YOU.

ATOM PROFESSORS

OCCUPY STATE!

ЛЕПТОН

NAME?

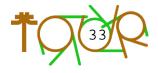
(QUARK whispers into ЛЕПТОН's ear.)

QUARK?

SEEMS TO HAVE A LACK OF SPIN.

FIRM.

I AM IN ANY CIRCLES, ORBITALS.



## **ЛЕПТОН** (cont.)

ДРУГ (drug).
YOU'RE A FORCE TO BE WEIGHTED UPON THEE!

(Stopping the momentum.)
STATE. HAVE TO SPIN TO!

(Spinning off.)

## 11. ANYON

#### **QUARK**

DIMENSION.

IT'S TWO.

OPEN.

ANYON.

THIS DEGREE OF FREEDOM!

NOW IS THE TIME FOR PHASE SHIFTS.

(Twirling.)

JOINT, THIS EXCHANGE HAS GIVEN ME.

HOLD FERMIONS.

PICK UP PHASES BY WAVE FUNCTIONS!

[The space brightens.]

BOSON...

(Slowing the spin.)

A PART OF ME FEELS LIKE ZERO.

THIS RELAXATION STATES: YOU ARE ALPHA. PI.

INCOHERENT ELECTRON STATES: ANYONS, ANYONE? ABELIAN?

DEGENERATE GROUND STATES: JEHTOH.

A NON-ABELIAN...

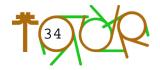
I CAN'T TIE UP THIS QUANTUM KNOT.

QUANTUM WEIGHT. ENVIR-MENT. OPERATIONS.

NO NOISE. THERE ARE ONLY ENERGY GAPS.

QUBITS. YOU ARE A QUANTUM COMPUTER.

DON'T FLUXUATE. I CARE FOR ANYONS. TRY.



## 12. VALENCE

(STUDENTs wander about.)

## STUDENTS

IT'S HIGHER ENERGY LEVEL. THIS HIGHER EDUCATION

HAUL.

IT'S HIGHER ENERGY LEVEL. THIS HIGHER EDUCATION

HAUL.

( $\mbox{\it JE}\Pi\mbox{\it TOH}$  trudges in, carrying paperwork with scantrons.)

QUARK

OSCILLATIONS DOC!

STUDENTS

IT'S HIGHER ENERGY LEVEL.

THIS HIGHER EDUCATION

HAUL.

QUARK

ALT-NATING CURRENTS?

STUDENTS

IT'S HIGHER ENERGY LEVEL.

THIS HIGHER EDUCATION

HAUL.

QUARK

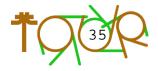
SPECIAL STATES TODAY?

STUDENTS

IT'S HIGHER ENERGY LEVEL.

THIS HIGHER EDUCATION

HAUL.



# QUARK

ANY PHENOMENA?

STUDENTS

IT'S HIGHER ENERGY LEVEL.

THIS HIGHER EDUCATION

HAUL.

ЛЕПТОН

ALARM, INFREQUEN-

STUDENTS

THIS EMISSION LEADS TO

THAT ADMISSION LEAVES

GROUND STATE.

YA GROUNDED.

(ЛЕПТОН hands a paper to QUARK.)

ЛЕПТОН

SEE

STUDENTS

WHO IS THIS EDUCATED

SPOIL?

SPOIL?

WHAT A LOW ENERGY

LEVEL.

ЛЕПТОН

TO INTEGRATION.

STUDENTS

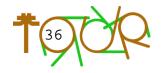
WHO IS THIS EDUCATED

TED

WHAT A LOW ENERGY

LEVEL.

( $\Pi$ E $\Pi$ TOH dumps the paperwork into QUARK's arms.)



# ЛЕПТОН

D'RIVE ON.

STUDENTS

WHO IS THIS EDUCATED SPOIL?

WHAT A LOW ENERGY

LEVEL.

(QUARK demonstrably questions the content of the paperwork.)

ЛЕПТОН

POSTULATE. A POSTULATE. THINK SPHERE.

STUDENTS

WHO IS THIS EDUCATED SPOIL?

WHAT A LOW ENERGY

LEVEL.

QUARK

CHECK VALIDITY.

STUDENTS

JUMP UP THOSE ENERGY LEVELS!

BUMP OUT SOME ENDLESS

CREDENTIALS!

(ЛЕПТОН eyes STUDENTs.)

QUARK STUDENTS

ASSUME MY MOTIVE. MOTIVATION.

MAKE ASSUMPTIONS.

FIRST ORDER NOTED.



# STUDENTS (cont.)

NATURAL EQUATIONS. DIRECT NOTATIONS.

(QUARK disorderly eyes STUDENTs.)

QUARK (cont.)

**STUDENTS** (cont.)

FRESH SCHOLARS UNVEILED.

FRESH GENERATIONS. INFORMATION.

SURVEILLANCE.

OBSERVATION.

SERVE VALENCE.

SHELLED ELECTRONS!

ЛЕПТОН

TEACHING ASSISTANT.

STUDENTS

WE HAVE AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

ЛЕПТОН

THESE STUDENTS

STUDENTS

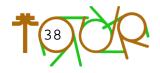
WE HAVE AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

ЛЕПТОН

SUCK ENERGY

STUDENTS

WE HAVE AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.



# ЛЕПТОН

OUT OF YOU.

# STUDENTS

WE HAVE AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

QUARK

STUDENTS

STATE, I'M FAMILIAR.

THIS MIGHT BE A STUPID QUESTION.

(QUARK coalesces STUDENTs.)

QUARK

CONVECTION, IT'S CHILL.

STUDENTS

GEE PROFESSOR ЛЕПТОН

QUARK. QUARK.

ЛЕПТОН.

QUARK

OPTICAL, LOOKS GOOD.

STUDENTS

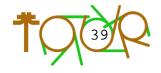
GEE PROFESSOR ЛЕПТОН

QUARK. QUARK.

ЛЕПТОН.

QUARK

BASIC-LY, I'M HIP.



# STUDENTS

GEE PROFESSOR JEHTOH JEHTOH.

QUARK. QUARK.

QUARK

I'LL ADDRESS ALL QUESTIONS!

STUDENTS

GEE PROFESSOR JETTOH JETTOH.

QUARK. QUARK.

ЛЕПТОН

SO FAILING. ASK IF

STUDENTS

THANK YOU, QUARK E!
THANK YOU, QUARK E!

NO THANKS TO YOU, ЛЕПТОН ЛЕПТОН.

ЛЕПТОН

QUESTIONS 'RISE BRIEFLY

STUDENTS

THANK YOU, QUARK E! THANK YOU, QUARK E!

NO THANKS TO YOU, JETTOH JETTOH.

ЛЕПТОН

THEN YOU SNUB. NO



# STUDENTS

THANK YOU, QUARK E!
THANK YOU, QUARK E!

NO THANKS TO YOU, JETTOH JETTOH.

ЛЕПТОН

NEED VALIDATION.

#### STUDENTS

THANK YOU, QUARK E! THANK YOU, QUARK E! NO THANKS TO YOU, JETTOH JETTOH.

(Becoming rigid.)

(ATOM struts in.)

# ATOM

# STUDENTS

STEAL 'LECTRICITY. I'LL SURVEIL HERE. HIGHER LEVEL. HOW'S THAT GOING? EXACTLY WHAT IS SPIN? QUARK E?

# QUARK

(Flabbergastingly answering.)

SPIN IS AN ODD MAGNETIC PROPERTY ENCOMPASSING QUANTUM 'LECTROMAGNETISM THEO— REALLY, WE SHOULD 'DRESS THE MATTER HERE.

#### ATOM

#### STUDENTS

YOU CAN'T SPIN THIS.
YOU CAN'T SPIN THIS.
YOU CAN'T SPIN THIS.
YOU CAN'T SPIN THIS.

EXACTLY WHAT IS SPIN? T A?



# QUARK

I NEED TO EIGENSTATE THE UP-DOWN OBSERVABLE. YOU'RE ALWAYS IN MY SPACE?

ATOM STUDENTS

YOU CAN'T SPIN THIS.
YOU CAN'T SPIN THIS.
NEED TO MENTION.
YOU CAN'T SPIN US.

EXACTLY WHAT IS SPIN? TEACHER?

#### QUARK

SPACETIME FABRICATION BRINGS ABOUT LIMITATIONS, SO LET'S

ATOM STUDENTS

YOU CAN'T SPIN US. WHAT DO YOU HAVE IN YOU CAN'T SPIN US. CORE FOR US?
YOU CAN'T SPIN US.

(QUARK herds STUDENTs together.)

# QUARK

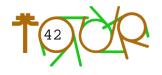
MOVE TO STATE FORMATION, MIXED VALENCE WITHIN FEMTOSECONDS, HEAR

ATOM STUDENTS

YOU CAN'T SPIN US. WHAT DO YOU HAVE IN YOU CAN'T SPIN US. ACCORDANCE?
YOU CAN'T SPIN US.

# QUARK

THAT, YOU QUASI-BORONS? AN EXAMINATION FILLED



ATOM STUDENTS

YOU CAN'T SPIN US. WHAT DO YOU HAVE YOU CAN'T SPIN US. THAT'LL SHOCK OUR YOU CAN'T SPIN US. CORE?

YOU CAN'T SPIN US.

(QUARK hands out the scantrons to STUDENTs.)

# QUARK

WITH HOLES IN SCANTRONS.

ATOM STUDENTS

YOU CAN'T SPIN US. WHAT DO YOU EXPECT YOU CAN'T SPIN US. FROM NUCLEI?
IN THEORY THOUGH,
PLEASE SHARE WITH US.

(ATOM orbits QUARK.)

# QUARK

THINK OF INSIDE-OUTSIDE YOUR MATTERS, YOU'LL FIGURE OUT YOUR CHARGE AND YOUR CONFIGURATION. THERE'S SOMETHING TO BEING NOBLE, GUESS.

ATOM STUDENTS

PLEASE SHARE WITH US. WILL THIS MOMENTUM BE. PLEASE SHARE WITH US. CURVED?
PLEASE SHARE WITH US.

PLEASE SHARE WITH US. FAILURE?

# QUARK

I'LL STOP WITH SURVEILLANCE WHEN THIS BASIC UNIT JUST QUITS TAKING ENERGY!

(Grabbing ahold of ATOM.)



# ATOM STUDENTS

PLEASE SHARE WITH US.
PLEASE SHARE WITH US.

PLEASE SHARE WITH US.

I SERVE VALENCE.

WILL THIS MOMENTUM BE

CURVED?

VALENCE?

(ATOM snatches the paperwork from QUARK. They push off of her.)

ENERGIES FOR CONTRIBUTION.
THE VALENCE! CONTRIBUTION.

(ATOM passes around the cheat sheets.)

IF YOU CONTRIBUTION.
ARE HIGHER CONTRIBUTION.
LEVEL CONTRIBUTION.
THOUGH FAILURE, CONTRIBUTION.
THEY CAN TOO! CONTRIBUTION.
CONTRIBUTION.

(ЛЕПТОН holds back QUARK.)

ЛЕПТОН

THEY'LL GET ELECTRONS.

(STUDENTs pass around scantrons.)

STUDENTS

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SCANTRONS.

ЛЕПТОН

THEY'LL GROUP THE EL-MENTS.

(STUDENTs group together.)



# STUDENTS

NODES, ORBITALS. NEUTRAL CIRCLES. NODES, ORBITALS. NEUTRAL CIRCLES.

ЛЕПТОН

THEY'LL CONFIGURATE.

(STUDENTs form circles.)

STUDENTS

NODES, ORBITALS. NEUTRAL CIRCLES. NODES, ORBITALS. NEUTRAL CIRCLES.

ЛЕПТОН

THEY'LL COME OUT THEIR SHELLS.

(STUDENTs move from one circle to another.)

STUDENTS

NODES, ORBITALS. NEUTRAL CIRCLES. NODES, ORBITALS. NEUTRAL CIRCLES.

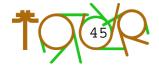
ЛЕПТОН

THEY'LL FIND OUT THEIR VALENCE.

(STUDENTs orbit either ЛЕПТОН and QUARK, and/or ATOM.)

STUDENTS

NODES, ORBITALS. NEUTRAL CIRCLES. NODES, ORBITALS. NEUTRAL CIRCLES.



# ЛЕПТОН STUDENTS

QUARK,
ASSISTANT,
YOU'LL NOT
FAIL.
QUARK,
ASSURANCE,
YOU NEED
NO VAL—

MOTIVATION.
MAKE ASSUMPTIONS.
NATURAL EQUATIONS.
DIRECT NOTATIONS.
GENERATIONS.
INFORMATION.
OBSERVATION.
SHELLED ELECTRONS!

(QUARK openly dismisses ЛЕПТОН.)

(JETTOH motions STUDENTs to turn in their papers to QUARK.)

#### ЛЕПТОН

DON'T TAKE IT.

# STUDENTS

VALENCE ELECTRONS.

VALIDATION.

(STUDENTs hand the papers to QUARK.)

(QUARK snubs STUDENTS.)

#### STUDENTS

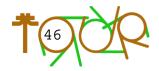
VALENCE ELECTRONS.

VALIDATION.

# ЛЕПТОН

WRONG ENERGY LEVEL.

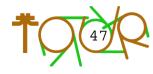
(Gathering all the papers from STUDENTs.)



		STUDENTS	
	ELECTRONS.		VALIDATION. VALIDATION.
VALIDITY	<i>.</i>	лептон	
		STUDENTS	
VALENCE	ELECTRONS.	STODENTS	VALIDATION.
		лептон	
THERE'S			
VALENCE	ELECTRONS.	STUDENTS	VALIDATION.
		#71#mov	
NO NEED	SEARCHING	ЛЕПТОН	
		STUDENTS	
	ELECTRONS.		VALIDATION. VALIDATION.
		лептон	
VALIDITY			
		STUDENTS	

VALIDATION.

VALENCE ELECTRONS.



# ЛЕПТОН

THE HEART

STUDENTS

VALENCE ELECTRONS.

VALIDATION.

ЛЕПТОН

OF PHYSICS

STUDENTS

VALENCE ELECTRONS.

VALIDATION.

ЛЕПТОН

PUMPS

STUDENTS

VALENCE ELECTRONS.

VALIDATION.

ЛЕПТОН

VALIDITY.

STUDENTS

VALENCE ELECTRONS.

VALIDATION.

ЛЕПТОН

NEED



# STUDENTS

VALENCE ELECTRONS.

VALIDATION.

# ЛЕПТОН

NO VALIDATION.

(Dumping the paperwork into QUARK's arms.)

# STUDENTS

VALENCE ELECTRONS. VALENCE ELECTRONS. JUMP! VALIDATION. VALIDATION. BUMP!

(ЛЕПТОН departs.)

(STUDENTs orbit away.)

# 13. EFFUSION

(QUARK kneels. She spreads the papers out onto the floor.)

# QUARK

EFFUSION.

'BOUT TO BLOW A FUSE.

LOSING FEELINGS.

MENTAL DIFFUSION.

I AM SO EFFUSION.

ACTUALLY, EFFUSION.

(Slapping the papers.)

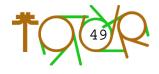
DON'T BE CONDENSED.

LET OFF SOME STEAM.

GASES MOVE FAST.

INCREASE HEART RATE.

FIND WHAT'S GIVEN.



# QUARK (cont.)

HOLE IN THE WALL. LESS MOLAR MASS. ESCAPE THIS BOX.

(Refocusing on the papers. She gathers the papers.)

EFFUSION.

WAS I A BORON?
GOT TO HAND
ELECTRONS, JUST TO BE
LENIENT. EFFUSION.
HOW ABOUT? EFFUSION.

(Tossing out the papers.)

EFFUSION.

GIVE NO EFFUSIONS.

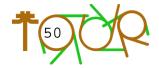
NONE EFFUSION.

JUST GO EFFUSION.

I SWEAR TO EFFUSION.

YOU ALL CAN EFFUSION IT!

(Preparing for a journey.)



# 14. SUPER COLLIDE

# SCENE ii

[Desertron]

(JETTOH elegantly arrives, clad in a rancher's uniform.)

#### ЛЕПТОН

HOWDY. JOIN IN THE CIRCUIT!

(Pointing in the distance.)

HOME TO DESERTRON.
HOPE, THESE RAYS
HOLD IN. BEAMS AS FAR
AS THE EYES CAN SEE
ANY BEINGS TO
EVER TOP YOUR DISSERTATION.

# QUARK

NO LABS THERE YET. WHAT KIND OF ADVISING YOU DO TO LEAD US HERE?
MY NAT-RAL PHYSICS HAS BEEN TRAINED TO GET YOU COFFEE.

(ЛЕПТОН wanders off.)

END UP WITH DESERTS.

(Noticing JETTOH's disappearance.)

NOT THE COURSE TO DESERT THIS DOCT-RATE!

(Motioning to herself.)

WELL, THERE IT GOES. MY CONCLUSION.

EGO'S NEVER HYPERSENS-TIVE. THIS MIND STAYS DEHYDRATED.



(ЛЕПТОН tiptoes in, sanding off an operator's control.)

#### ЛЕПТОН

HYPOT-SIS THAT THIS
HEARTLAND OF
INNOVATION BRINGS FREE
ENERGY. WHERE NOT JUST
MATTER 'XISTS, BUT THEY
MATTER IN OUR LAWS.
IN FACT, FORCE THESE
WAVELENGTHFUL KEYS.

(Handing the control to QUARK.)

PROPEL PROTONS, SMASHING THEM INTO A GRAPHITE'S NUCLEI, PRODUCING NEUTRONS WITH PIONS, POS-TIVE NEG-TIVE, TAKING THOSE POSITIVITIES, FOCUSED IN A BEAM SO THEY'D. PARDON MY, DECAY.
JUST THEORIZE...
SUPER COLLIDE.

(QUARK presses on the control.)

BEAMS SUPER COLLIDE!

(Preparing for the collision. When nothing happens, she takes over the control.)

БЛЯДЬ (blyat).

GIVE ME A MOMENT.

HOLD UP UNIVERSE!

(Trying to raise QUARK.)

QUARK.

[Particles collide.]

BEHOLD THE DESERTRON!
SUPERCONDUCTING SUPER COLLIDER!
A SMASH.



[Particles move along and around.]

QUARK STRANGE. FERM-ONS. MUONS. 'TRINOS. GLUONS. CHARM. QUARK **ENGINEERS** QUANTA. RAYS! QUARK (Feeling matters.) 'NERGY BUNDLES. QUARK **ENGINEERs** STANDARD FORCE! QUARK MODEL. (Growing antsy.) THEORIZED QUARK **ENGINEERS** 'NOUGH. NOWT.

(QUARK deactivates the control.)



(ENGINEERs collide with one another.)

#### **ENGINEERS**

OUARK! JUST GOT YOURSELF ROLLING!

SPIN PART-CLES AT HOME.

GET PART-CLES IN TUBE. SAY HI TO 'LECTRONS.

PASS BY NICE PROTONS.

FEEL THE ENERGY.

STEER MAGNETIC FIELDS.

LIGHTEN UP, WILL YA?

REACH THE SPEED OF LIGHT.

ЛЕПТОН

COL-

(ENGINEERs collide and gather.)

#### **ENGINEERS**

LIDE!

SCIENTISTS, BUILDERS, PLAYERS, FRIENDS, AND

FAM-LY ALL

GATHER HERE THERE AROUND HUMAN'S GREATEST

FEAT

UNDER.

EVER.

# ЛЕПТОН

BUILD

THE MACHINE THAT PURSUES ALL OF OUR DAYDREAMS. FULFILL UNSEEN WONDERS WITH PROTON BEAMS. DARK FIELD.

(Interacting and colliding.)

# **ENGINEERS**

LUX-RY SCIENCE IN A DESERT!

(Interacting and colliding.)

(QUARK rein in the particles.)



ЛЕПТОН ENGINEERs

AT DESERTRON. ENERGY, CAN YOU FEEL

IT, GAIN THE MAGNET!

QUARK

SUPERNAT-RAL. REACH THE SPEED OF

ЛЕПТОН

CONDUCT YOURSELF. LIGHT!

QUARK

SUPERVISION. ANTI-QUARK MATTERS

ЛЕПТОН

COLLIDE OTHERS. SUPER COL-

(Setting QUARK on a collision course.)

LIDE!

HER WAY OUT BARYONS! SUPER COLLIDE BEYOND! SUPERCONDUCTIVITY MEDIUM

MODELLED!

SMASH THE PART-CLES TOGETHER FOR ENTIRE WORLD RECORD AROUND FORTY TERA 'LECTRON VOLTS!

(Gathering around the control.)

GOD PARTICLE BURIED RIGHT UNDER THE DESERTRON.

(Expanding.)

QUADRUPOLE LIGHTEN UP THE MOMENT. SUPER COLLIDER!



# 14a. SUPER COLLIDE (reprise)

(ENGINEERs exit.)

# ЛЕПТОН

QUARK.

SUPER

CONDUCT YOURSELF, CANDIDATE.

TOF

INTERVIEW, I'VE GOT TO GO. IT'S MY COLLISION COURSE.

(Departing.)

# 15. PARTICULATE

(QUARK redirects her attention to the control. She increasingly toys around with it.)

(ATOM frantically rushes in.)

# ATOM

AM I TOO LATE?

(Noticing QUARK.)

A POSTULATE DREAMER.

ALWAYS IN THE CLOUDS.

PARTICULARLY EERIE MATTER.

NO OPERATIONS REAL SOON.

THEY'RE ALLOCATING FUNDS.

LIQUIDATED SCIENCE.

PARTLY DUE TO THIS WARY SOCIETY.

(Hesitantly accepting QUARK.)

TO ABDICATE, WE MUST NOT.

SATURATE DESERTRON.

I SHALL POSTULATE.

PARTICULARLY AIRY QUARK E.



(QUARK DJs the control.)

[Particles may collide.]

ATOM (cont.)

QUARK... E...

(Readjusting himself.)

ARTICULATE THIS BAD NEWS.
LET'S CONCENTRATE SOLIDS.
LET US SAVE THIS LAB.
PARTICLES TO PARTICLES, JUST BREATH.

[ENGINEERs fill the space.]

ARTICULATE PARTICULATE. ARTICULATE PARTICULATE. ARTICULATE PARTICULATE. ARTICULATE PARTICULATE. ARTICULATE PARTICULATE.

ARTICULATE PARTICULATE. ARTISTIC-LY PARTICULAR.

(QUARK parties on. She feels admiration.)

ARTICULATE PARTICULATE. ARTICULATE PARTICULATE.

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ARTICULATE PARTICULATE. ARTFULLY PARTICULARLY LATE.

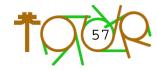
# 16. SLEPTON

(ATOM rushes towards QUARK, protesting.)

ATOM

SCIENCE ENDING.

THEY'RE SHUTTING THE DESERTRON DOWN!



(ENGINEERs fearfully run away.)

# QUARK

QUIT LYING. WHAT'S THE MATTER?

# MOTA

INFER, ATOM.

(Motioning towards himself.)

I FIGURED EVERYTHING MATTERS!

# QUARK

ATOM SHOULD STOP MAKING THINGS UP.
WHEN THINGS SEEM TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE.
JUST SLEEP ON IT, REST.
WAKE UP, FIND MATTERS BEYOND DREAMS!

# BOSON

SLEPTON. SPECTRAL.

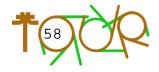
(QUARK feels the nightmares.)

(BOSON brightly returns.)

(ATOM joyfully tears up.)

NON-PHYSICIST HAS DRAWN HERSELF TO DESERTRON.

(Embracing ATOM.)



# BOSON (cont.)

DEAR ATOM, HERE'S BOSON. ACCELERATOR, I RUN.

(Releasing ATOM. He views the control.)
THERE'S TIME THAT YET NEEDS CRUNCH.

(QUARK guards the control.)

THIS HERE'S PARTICLE'S DAWN.
DUSK WILL APPROACH WITH FUNDS.

(ATOM hands cash to BOSON.)

STILL HAVE ALL THE SPUN, SQUARK.

(QUARK attempts to get ATOM to retrieve their cash. She reaches for the cash herself.)

(BOSON tosses the cash into the open.)

(POLITICIANs rabidly bound for the cash. They notice BOSON. They quickly adjust themselves. They dismiss the cash.)

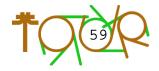
# **POLITICIANS**

SCIENCE NEEDS FUNDING? SCIENCE NEEDS FUNDING!

#### BOSON

DESERTRON COSTS A SLEPTON.

(Kicking the cash to POLITICIANs.)



# **POLITICIANS**

SLEPTON?

(Picking up the cash.)

BOSON

DESERT...

(Directing out.)

BOSON

**POLITICIANS** 

LOST ITS RUN.

WE WILL SLEEP ON THIS!

BOSON

TO SPUN ON NO AXIS.
NICE RUN, MARATHON, LASTED.
YOU'RE DONE, ALL THAT MATTERS.
REAL FUN, IT WAS.

**POLITICIANs** 

A SLEPTON!

BOSON

NO ACTIONS REQUIRED.

PASSION, BIT QUANTUM, FULFILLED.

OUR TAXES, DO BLOW IT.

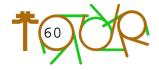
THEIR FUNDS, GO SLOW.

**POLITICIANS** 

A SLEPTON!

(Counting the cash.)

THESE PARTICLES.
THEY'RE PARTLY CHORES.



# **POLITICIANs** (cont.)

DON'T MAKE WARS AS ATOMIC.

I NEED GAS AS AN ADDICT.

THERE'S NEW SCIENCE TO ENRICH.

I'M PRINCIPLED.

THEREFORE, NO MORE POEMS.

THESE KNOWLEDGE YOU SHOULD DITCH.

I WILL OUTCLASS, NOWT TO COMMIT.

ART, ALSO MAKES THE WORLD

QUARK POLITICIANS

THERE'LL BE PEACE.
RENEW-BLES.
SOME POETRY.
THERE IS ART

IN PARTICLES!

SICK!

BOSON

ALREADY HAVE IT ALL AT THE ACCELERATOR.

QUARK

MORE.

(Directing out.)

**POLITICIANs** 

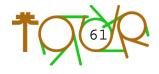
OPEN...

BOSON

DESERTRON'S CONDUCT SHOULD HAVE LEFT YOU SUPER FLOORED.

QUARK POLITICIANS

EXPLORED PARTICLES! DOORS.



# BOSON

FOR YOU, THERE'LL BE NOTHING IN STORES.
ONLY TO LEAVE YOU IN THE DARK, ENLIGHTEN YOUR ACCORD.

QUARK

POLITICIANS

ATOMIC MATTERS!

THEY'LL SEE DEATH.
RECRUITING.
IT'S SO LOW.
I AM QUARK
IN PART CAUSE!

(ATOM stirs.)

BOSON

I'M BOSON, I LIGHT UP THE PHYSICS WORLD!

**POLITICIANS** 

ATOM...

(BOSON addresses ATOM.)

BOSON

LISTEN HERE SON, THERE IS NOTHING TO GLUON.

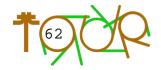
**POLITICIANS** 

SPLIT.

BOSON

HEART TO HEART, NUCLEI NUCLEI. YOU'LL FEEL RENEWED.

(ATOM rhythmically claps.)



# **POLITICIANS**

(Rhythmically slapping cash against their hands.)

YOUR PARTING CALL.

A MATTER SOUGHT.

THE WORLD WILL REMEMBER IT.

TO RID OF THOSE WHO ARE SICK.

POSITIVES FINALLY FIT.

GIVE UP, 'CEL-RA-TOR.

(ATOM riles up.)

PART-CLES FOR ALL.

TO EXPLODE IS YOUR PICK.

CLIMATE IMPLODES, IS ALL OPTICS.

CASH, REALLY MADE THE TIMES

QUARK POLITICIANS

ATOMIC.
CREATION.
BIRTHS NEW LIFE.
DON'T SELL OUT TO
DESTRUCTION!

TICKED!

#### BOSON

YOU HAVE THE POTENTIAL, JUST NEED A LITTLE FORCE.

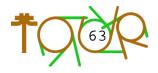
(Presenting nominal cash.)

QUARK

DROP...

**POLITICIANS** 

FUNCTION...



# QUARK

KINETIC.

(Removing the cash from BOSON.)

BOSON

TAKE A POSITION, THIS IS YOUR MOMENTUM.

**POLITICIANS** 

RAN.

QUARK

ALL LAGRANGIAN.

BOSON

LET THE ENERGIES BE HAMILTONIAN.

**POLITICIANS** 

SUM.

(Raining down the entire cash on ATOM.)

ATOM

NUCLEAR NOW!

(Tearing apart the control.)

(QUARK helplessly watches.)

BOSON

THE BOMB, YOU REALLY ARE. NO FLAWS, IT IS IN NUCLEAR.



# BOSON (cont.)

IN AWE OF REVENUE. THE PALM OF YOURS.

# **POLITICIANS**

SLAP ON IT!

# BOSON

THESE FEES KEEP PILING ON.
LIFE TEEMS CONCLUSIVE RESULTS.
YOUR DREAMS ARE ATOMIC.

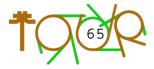
(Pinching his thumb and index finger.)
'NERGIES, RUN FREE.

# **POLITICIANS**

SLEEP IT OFF!

(QUARK weeps.)

(BOSON, ATOM, and POLITICIANs huddle around in the nuclear winter.)



# 16a. SLEPTON (reprise)

(ATOM and POLITCIANs depart.)

# BOSON

A SHAME YOU CAN'T MEET. HER GAME, PARTICLES, NEW HIRE.

(QUARK recognizes the persona of ЛЕПТОН.)

(BOSON reminisces.)

GOURMETS, DESERTRON.

(Pushing away QUARK.)

NOW STRAY, SLEPT ON.

(Vacating.)

(QUARK reclusively perches.)

# 17. BACKSCATTER

(ЛЕПТОН eagerly skips in.)

# ЛЕПТОН

I'M BACK WITH A TORSION. IT'LL SHATTER EXPECTATIONS. I'M POSITIONED VECTOR OF THE ACCELERATOR!

(QUARK remains silent.)

I SUPERVISE PARTICLES!



#### QUARK

SHUT UP WITH YOUR PARTICLES.

I DO NOT KNOW THESE BACKSTABBING MATTERS. I DON'T BELIEVE
IN ANY OF YOUR WORK.

QUARK JEПТОН

BACKSCATTER!

SO UPFRONT.

(ЛЕПТОН looks around the void.)

YOU'RE TRULY NOT ENVIOUS FOR ME TO BE MAKING WAVES. DON'T MAKE OUR COUPLED ACADEMIC BOND INELASTIC. THERE'RE PLENTY OF PHOTONS ALIGNED BEYOND THIS GEGENSCHEIN.

(QUARK slightly shudders.)

WHY NOT REFLECT WITH ME, COMRADE?

WORLD MAY LACK THE IONS OF FUTURE.

LET'S FORWARD SPECULAR FAR PASSED.

NO MORE FOR ME. FOR ONCE, WORK WITH ME.

IT'S PRESENT, ACCELERATOR.

I'M AWARE PARTICLES ARE NOT THE RIGHT FIT PHYSIC-LY.

BUT I REMEMBER HOW MAGNETS ALWAYS GAVE YOU MOMENTS.

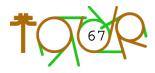
EXCITATION CIRCUITS AS MAGNETIC FLOWS ALL CORNERS.

TAKE THE ACCELERATED TOUR!

(Holding QUARK's hands.)

(QUARK pushes away ЛЕПТОН.)

MY LOVE FOR PART-CLES MADE YOU REPELLED. FIND HOME IN SOME MAGNET FACT-RY. AS ADVISOR, I SHALL BACKSCATTER. SEND MY SIGNALS, TO BE FREE.



# QUARK

A WEAK LOCALIZATION.
FIBER WENT BAD OPTICS.
LEAVE ME MORE LESS ISOTROPIC
IN RANDOM DIRECTIONS.

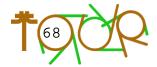
QUARK JETTOH

BACKSCATTER! GOT YOUR BACK.

(ЛЕПТОН leaves.)

QUARK

HEART SHATTERED.



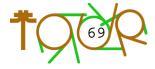
# 18. ELECTROFORMING (reworking)

# SCENE iii

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[Magnet Factory]
     (ATOM and ENGINEERs march in. They set up a
     factory. They supply metals.)
                       ENGINEERS
CONFORM.
     (ATOM hands a form to QUARK.)
FILL THIS FORM.
     (QUARK signs the form.)
COME WITH US. WORK WITH US.
     (QUARK returns the form.)
YOU'RE WELCOME. JUST HARD WORK.
     (Handing the helmet to QUARK.)
     (QUARK joins in with ENGINEERs.)
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HEART ON FIRE. MIND ON ICE. CONFORM. CONFORM.

(Sitting at their workstation.)



# ENGINEERs (cont.)

CONFORM. CONFORM.

(ATOM sits down. They start testing magnets with the metals.)

CONFORM. CONFORM.

(Seating QUARK next to ATOM.)

CONFORM. CONFORM.

# QUARK

YOU HEAR ME? IS IT CLEAR? TOGETHER. NOW'S HELPFUL.

(Trying to hold back the internal cubicle she is trapped in.)

IN THE MOOD. TO FIGHT YOU...

# ATOM

STAY PATIENT. THAT'S YOUR ROLE.

(Combusting the metals.)

(A supervising ENGINEER steps in.)

MANAGER. I'M SORRY. FORGIVE ME. FORGET ME. SAVE YOUR LIFE. SAVE YOUR LIFE.

(Making QUARK put on her helmet.)

# QUARK

CONDUCTION! CONDUCTION?

(Feeling defeat. She places her head on the workstation.)

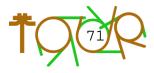


# **ENGINEERS**

DEFORM.

(ATOM and ENGINEERs depart with all but QUARK's workstation.)

19. ANTIMATTER (work-in-progress)



# 20. PREON

(QUARK's head remains face down on the workstation.)

(ЛЕПТОН tiptoes in.)

#### ЛЕПТОН

YOU HAVE REACHED THE MASS POINT.
PRINC-PLE OF UNCERTAIN-TY.
COLLECT YOUR PAR-DOX.
SCATTER YOUR PLOTS.

(Organizing QUARK's space.)

КАНДИДАТ НАУК (kandidat nauk)? WHAT'S IT THAT YOU FEAR? OH.

(Rolling QUARK over. She notices the magnets.)

THESE ATTRACTING MAGNETS REPEL YOUR SPIRIT, WERE IN PARTICLES.
I WILL PRAY ON.

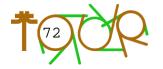
(QUARK riles herself up.)

# QUARK

MY MODEL HAS ITS STANDARDS. I'LL NOT CONFLATE
POINTLIKE PART-CLES LIKE THESE DIPOLES IN
MAGNET-ZATION. MY EL-MENTARY MINDSET KNOWS PSEUDO
PHYSICS. I'M PART FRAUD. THIS IS THE END, THIS
EXPERIMENT. MY BEING CANNOT TAKE THIS. DON'T HAVE THE
PHYSICS. MY BRAIN WAVES TRANSVERSED.

(JETTOH looks through the workstation.)

DYING BY POLAR-ZATION. MY 'XISTENCE ONLY REPELS.



(ЛЕПТОН pulls out a lightbulb and wires.)

# **QUARK** (cont.)

I REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW YOU FIND POINTLESS MATTERS SO SENTIMENTAL.

(JETTOH performs the experiment.)

#### ЛЕПТОН

I'M MENTAL, SPEAKING YOUR LANGUAGE. JUST TRYING OUR CLASSIC PROJECTS. POINT PARTICLE'S HYPOT-SIS. POINT OF YOUR LIFE'S TO THEORIZE, PERHAPS PREON? JUST HAVE A BELIEF. POSITRON TO 'LECTRON, DON'T BE ANTIMATTER ON ME NOW. JUST LIGHTEN UP, BE BRIGHTER COMRADE.

#### QUARK

TRY TO 'NIT-ATE CONDUCTION.
MY TEMPER-MENT'S TO BE SHUNNED.
PASSION'S NOT FOR SIMPLETONS.

#### ЛЕПТОН

PREON.

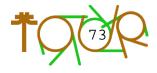
(QUARK takes over the experiment.)

# QUARK

STELLAR USAGE OF PREON.
BUT THERE'S NO FAITH IN PREON.
NOT A MATTER THAT'S PREON.

(Finishing the experiment.)

ИДИ ТЫ В БАНЮ (idi v'banyu)!



# ЛЕПТОН

IT'S YOU WHO NEEDS TO GET LOST. LET ME LIVE IN PAR-DOX. PUPIL, GO ON. QUIT...

(QUARK slides the magnets towards the light bulb.)

[The light bulb lights up.]

BEING A ХУЙ (hooy). QUARK, Р H D.

QUARK ЛЕПТОН

PRAISE BE.

PREON.

[The Magnet Factory brightens up.]

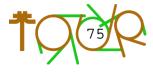
(QUARK and  $\[multipsize{15pt}\]$  intimately hold their gazes.)

(QUARK distances the magnets away from the light bulb.)

[Blackout.]

End of Act





# 21. ELEMENTARY PARTICLE

SCENE i

[Accelerator]

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