$\tau(pn \to \mu^+\overline{\nu})$ — τ_{69}

LIMIT (10^{30} years)	CL%	EVTS	BKGD EST	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
>1.6	**90**	**4**	**4.37**	BERGER	91B	FREJ	τ per iron nucleus

$\tau(nn \to \nu_e\overline{\nu}_e)$ — τ_{70}

LIMIT (10^{30} years)	CL%	EVTS	BKGD EST	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
>0.000012	**90**	**5**	**9.7**	BERGER	91B	FREJ	τ per iron nucleus

$\tau(nn \to \nu_\mu\overline{\nu}_\mu)$ — τ_{71}

LIMIT (10^{30} years)	CL%	EVTS	BKGD EST	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
>0.000006	**90**	**4**	**4.4**	BERGER	91B	FREJ	τ per iron nucleus

$\overline{p}$ PARTIAL MEAN LIVES

The "partial mean life" limits tabulated here are the limits on $\overline{\tau}/B_i$, where $\overline{\tau}$ is the total mean life for the antiproton and B_i is the branching fraction for the mode in question.

$\tau(\overline{p} \to e^-\gamma)$ — τ_{72}

VALUE (years)	CL%	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
>1848	95	GEER	94	CALO	8.9 GeV/c $\overline{p}$ beam

$\tau(\overline{p} \to e^-\pi^0)$ — τ_{73}

VALUE (years)	CL%	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
>554	95	GEER	94	CALO	8.9 GeV/c $\overline{p}$ beam

$\tau(\overline{p} \to e^-\eta)$ — τ_{74}

VALUE (years)	CL%	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
>171	95	GEER	94	CALO	8.9 GeV/c $\overline{p}$ beam

$\tau(\overline{p} \to e^-K^0_S)$ — τ_{75}

VALUE (years)	CL%	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
>29	95	GEER	94	CALO	8.9 GeV/c $\overline{p}$ beam

$\tau(\overline{p} \to e^-K^0_L)$ — τ_{76}

VALUE (years)	CL%	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
>9	95	GEER	94	CALO	8.9 GeV/c $\overline{p}$ beam

p REFERENCES

GEER	94	PRL 72 1596	+Marriner, Ray+	(FNAL, UCLA, PSU)
HALLIN	93	PR C48 1497	+Amendt, Bergstrom+	(SASK, BOST, ILL)
SUZUKI	93B	PL B311 357	+Fukuda, Hirata, Inoue+	(KAMIOKANDE Collab.)
HUGHES	92	PRL 69 578	+Deutch	(LANL, AARH)
ZIEGER	92	PL B278 34	+Van de Vyver, Christmann, DeGraeve+	(MPCM)
Also	92B	PL B281 417 (erratum)	Zieger, ..., Van den Abeele, Ziegler	(MPCM)
BERGER	91	ZPHY C50 385	+Froehlich, Moench, Nisius+	(FREJUS Collab.)
BERGER	91B	PL B269 227	+Froehlich, Moench, Nisius+	(FREJUS Collab.)
FEDERSPIEL	91	PRL 67 1511	+Eisenstein, Lucas, MacGibbon+	(ILL)
BECKER-SZ...	90	PR D42 2974	Becker-Szendy, Bratton, Cady, Casper+	(IMB-3 Collab.)
ERICSON	90	EPL 11 295	+Richter	(CERN, DARM)
GABRIELSE	90	PRL 65 1317	+Fei, Orozco, Tjoelker+	(HARV, MANZ, WASH, IBS)
BERGER	89	NP B313 509	+Froehlich, Moench+	(FREJUS Collab.)
CHO	89	PRL 63 2559	+Sangster, Hinds	(YALE)
HIRATA	89C	PL B220 308	+Kajita, Kifune, Kihara+	(Kamiokande Collab.)
PHILLIPS	89	PL B224 348	+Matthews, Aprile, Cline+	(HPW Collab.)
KREISSL	88	ZPHY C37 557	+Hancock, Koch, Koehler, Poth+	(CERN PS176 Collab.)
SEIDEL	88	PRL 61 2522	+Bionta, Blewitt, Bratton+	(IMB Collab.)
BARTELT	87	PR D36 1990	+Courant, Heller+	(Soudan Collab.)
Also	89	PR D40 1701 erratum	Bartelt, Courant, Heller+	(Soudan Collab.)
COHEN	87	RMP 59 1121	+Taylor	(RISC, NBS)
HAINES	86	PRL 57 1986	+Bionta, Blewitt, Bratton, Casper+	(IMB Collab.)
KAJITA	86	JPSJ 55 711	+Arisaka, Koshiba, Nakahata+	(Kamiokande Collab.)
ARISAKA	85	JPSJ 54 3213	+Kajita, Koshiba, Nakahata+	(Kamiokande Collab.)
BLEWITT	85	PRL 55 2114	+LoSecco, Bionta, Bratton+	(IMB Collab.)
DZUBA	85	PL 154B 93	+Flambaum, Silvestrov	(NOVO)
PARK	85	PRL 54 22	+Blewitt, Cortez, Foster+	(IMB Collab.)
BATTISTONI	84	PL 133B 454	+Bellotti, Bologna, Campana+	(NUSEX Collab.)
MARINELLI	84	PL 137B 439	+Morpurgo	(GENO)
WILKENING	84	PR A29 425	+Ramsey, Larson	(HARV, VIRG)
BARTELT	83	PRL 50 651	+Courant, Heller, Joyce, Marshak+	(MINN, ANL)
BATTISTONI	82	PL 118B 461	+Bellotti, Bologna, Campana+	(NUSEX Collab.)
KRISHNA...	82	PL 115B 349	Krishnaswamy, Menon+	(TATA, OSKC, INUS)
ALEKSEEV	81	JETPL 33 651	+Bakatanov, Butkevich, Voevodskii+	(PNPI)
		Translated from ZETFP 33 664.		
CHERRY	81	PRL 47 1507	+Deakyne, Lande, Lee, Steinberg+	(PENN, BNL)
COWSIK	80	PR D22 2204	+Narasimhan	(TATA)
BELL	79	PL 86B 215	+Calvetti, Carron, Chaney, Cittolin+	(CERN)
GOLDEN	79	PRL 43 1196	+Horan, Mauger, Badhwar, Lacy+	(NASA, PSLL)
LEARNED	79	PRL 43 907	+Reines, Soni	(UCI)
BREGMAN	78	PL 78B 174	+Calvetti, Carron, Cittolin, Hauer, Herr+	(CERN)
ROBERTS	78	PR D17 358		(WILL, RHEL)
EVANS	77	Science 197 989	+Steinberg	(BNL, PENN)
ROBERSON	77	PR C16 1945	+King, Kunselman+	(WYOM, CIT, CMU, VPI, WILL)
HU	75	NP A254 403	+Asano, Chen, Cheng, Dugan+	(COLU, YALE)
COHEN	73	JPCRD 2 663	+Taylor	(RISC, NBS)
DYLLA	73	PR A7 1224	+King	(MIT)
BAMBERGER	70	PL 33B 233	+Lynen, Piekarz+	(MPIH, CERN, KARL)
DIX	70	Case Thesis		(CASE)
HARRISON	69	PRL 22 1263	+Sandars, Wright	(OXF)
GURR	67	PR 158 1321	+Kropp, Reines, Meyer	(CASE, WITW)
FLEROV	58	DOKL 3 79	+Klochkov, Skobkin, Terentev	(ASCI)

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$I(J^P) = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}^+)$ Status: ∗∗∗∗

We have omitted some results that have been superseded by later experiments. The omitted results may be found in our 1986 edition (Physics Letters **170B**) or in earlier editions.

n MASS

The mass is known much more precisely in u (atomic mass units) than in MeV; see the footnotes. The conversion from u to MeV, 1 u = 931.49432±0.00028 MeV, involves the relatively poorly known electronic charge. The NATARAJAN 93 value, in u, is by far the best, but when converted to MeV differs only negligibly from the 1986 CODATA value, which, for consistency, we stick with.

VALUE (MeV)	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
939.56563±0.00028	[1] COHEN	87	RVUE	1986 CODATA value
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
939.56565±0.00028	[2] NATARAJAN	93		Penning trap
939.56564±0.00028	[3,4] GREENE	86	SPEC	$np \to d\gamma$
939.5731 ±0.0027	[4] COHEN	73	RVUE	1973 CODATA value

[1] The mass is known much more precisely in u: $m = 1.008664904 \pm 0.000000014$ u.

[2] The mass is known much more precisely in u: $m = 1.0086649234 \pm 0.0000000023$ u. We use the conversion factor given above to get the mass in MeV.

[3] The mass is known much more precisely in u: $m = 1.008664919 \pm 0.000000014$ u.

[4] These determinations are not independent of the $m_n - m_p$ measurements below.

$\overline{n}$ MASS

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
939.485±0.051	59	[5] CRESTI	86	HBC	$\overline{p}p \to \overline{n}n$

[5] This is a corrected result (see the erratum). The error is statistical. The maximum systematic error is 0.029 MeV.

$m_n - m_p$

VALUE (MeV)	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
1.293318 ±0.000009	[6] COHEN	87	RVUE	1986 CODATA value
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
1.2933328±0.0000072	GREENE	86	SPEC	$np \to d\gamma$
1.293429 ±0.000036	COHEN	73	RVUE	1973 CODATA value

[6] Calculated by us from the COHEN 87 ratio $m_n/m_p = 1.001378404 \pm 0.000000009$. In u, $m_n - m_p = 0.001388434 \pm 0.000000009$ u.

$(m_n - m_{\overline{n}})\ /\ m_{\rm average}$

A test of *CPT* invariance. Calculated from the *n* and $\overline{n}$ masses, above.

VALUE	DOCUMENT ID
(9±5) x 10^{-5} OUR EVALUATION	

n MEAN LIFE

We now compile only direct measurements of the lifetime, not those inferred from decay correlation measurements. (Limits on lifetimes for *bound* neutrons are given in the section "*p* PARTIAL MEAN LIVES.")

For a review, see EROZOLIMSKII 89 and papers that follow it in an issue of NIM devoted to the "Proceedings of the International Workshop on Fundamental Physics with Slow Neutrons" (Grenoble 1989). For later reviews and/or commentary, see FREEDMAN 90, SCHRECKENBACH 92, and PENDLEBURY 93.

VALUE (s)	DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
887.0± 2.0 OUR AVERAGE Error includes scale factor of 1.3. See the ideogram below.				
882.6± 2.7	MAMPE	93	CNTR	Gravitational trap
888.4± 3.1± 1.1	NESVIZHEV...	92	CNTR	Gravitational trap
893.6± 3.8± 3.7	BYRNE	90	CNTR	Penning trap
878 ±27 ±14	KOSSAKOW...	89	TPC	Pulsed beam
887.6± 3.0	MAMPE	89	CNTR	Gravitational trap
877 ±10	PAUL	89	CNTR	Storage ring
876 ±10 ±19	LAST	88	SPEC	Pulsed beam
891 ± 9	SPIVAK	88	CNTR	Beam
903 ±13	KOSVINTSEV	86	CNTR	Gravitational trap
918 ±14	CHRISTENSEN	72	CNTR	
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
888.4± 2.9	ALFIMENKOV	90	CNTR	See NESVIZHEVSKII 92
937 ±18	[7] BYRNE	80	CNTR	
875 ±95	KOSVINTSEV	80	CNTR	
881 ± 8	BONDAREN...	78	CNTR	See SPIVAK 88

[7] This measurement has been withdrawn (J. Byrne, private communication, 1990).