

## Letter to the Editor

### Comment on “Comment on the Physical Interpretation of the Flux”

Comment upon comment! The physical interpretation of the flux. Indeed Lawrence Ruby<sup>1</sup> is right; the spherical interpretation of the flux has been given by others. K. Wirtz used such an approach in his Karlsruhe lectures from 1951 (and probably earlier in his war-time work). They are most readily available in the 1964 English version, K. H. Beckurts and K. Wirtz, *Neutron Physics*, pp. 81–83, Springer-Verlag. I had previously acknowledged my own debt.<sup>2</sup>

I would welcome the publication of this acknowledgement to two distinguished physicists, the latter who was *Nuclear Science and Engineering's* Associate Editor for Europe for many years, the former who was lost to us by assassination.

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