Operational Experience with the MAMI-Source of Polarized Electrons*, H.G. ANDRESEN[1], K. AULENBACHER[2], J. BERMUTH[1], P. DRESCHER[2], H. EUTENEUER[1], H. FISCHER[2], D.V. HARRACH[1], P. HARTMANN[1], J. HOFFMANN[1], P. JENNEWEIN[1], K.-H. KAISER[1], S. KÖBIS[1], H.J. KREIDEL[1], CH. NACHTIGALL[2], S. PLÜTZER[2], E. REICHERT[2], K.-H. STEFFENS[1], M. STEIGERWALD[2], H. TRAUTNER[2] - At the Mainz race track microtron MAMI a source of polarized electrons has been set up, which is based on the photoelectron emission of III-V- semiconductor cathodes. Substantial progress in the operational stability of the source has been achieved in early 1995 by the attachment of a load lock system to the electron gun chamber. In 1995 reactions 2D($e^{\rightarrow}$,e'$n^{\rightarrow}$) and $3H^{\rightarrow}$e($e^{\rightarrow}$,e',n) have been investigated at MAMI employing the improved system in more than 1000 h beamtime. At present the source works with strained GaAsP-cathodes emitting electron beams with a spin polarization of 75%.

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