

has shown that the solution as deduced from  $\eta$  decay leads to a ratio  $a_3 : a_8$  much too large to account for the electromagnetic masses of the baryons. Recently Cicogna *et al* (1974) have shown that without neglecting the  $SU_3$  non-invariance of vacuum and the contribution of subclasses of Feynman diagrams, one can get a reasonable solution of the  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$  puzzle with a value of  $\epsilon_3 \simeq -0.28 m_\pi^3$ . In any case we find that a  $U_3$  term implies  $\eta\pi^0$  mixing and in the (8, 8) model, eq. (13) is more justified, so that the correct width predicted from the (8, 8) model is very encouraging.

In this model we have also found out the intrinsic symmetry breaking contribution to the  $\eta\pi^0$  transition [Dittner *et al* (1973), Brown *et al* (1961) and Socolow (1968)].

$$\langle \eta | \pi \rangle_{int} = -3.1 \times 10^3 \text{ MeV}^2.$$

This can be compared to the value obtained by Brown *et al* (1971).

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## ERRATUM

'The structure of bis-(L-threonine) copper (II).  $H_2O$ ' by V Amirthalingam and K V Muralidharan in Vol. 4, No. 2, February 1975, pp. 83-94.

1. The statement in Sec. 4:

For Cu-O distances [1.975 (5) and 1.979 (5)] read as [1.957 (5) and 1.979 (5) Å]

2. In figure 3 read  $Cu-O_1 = 1.957 (5)$  and  $Cu-O_4 = 1.979 (5)$  Å