



# Solid state physics for Nano



## Lecture 2: X-ray diffraction

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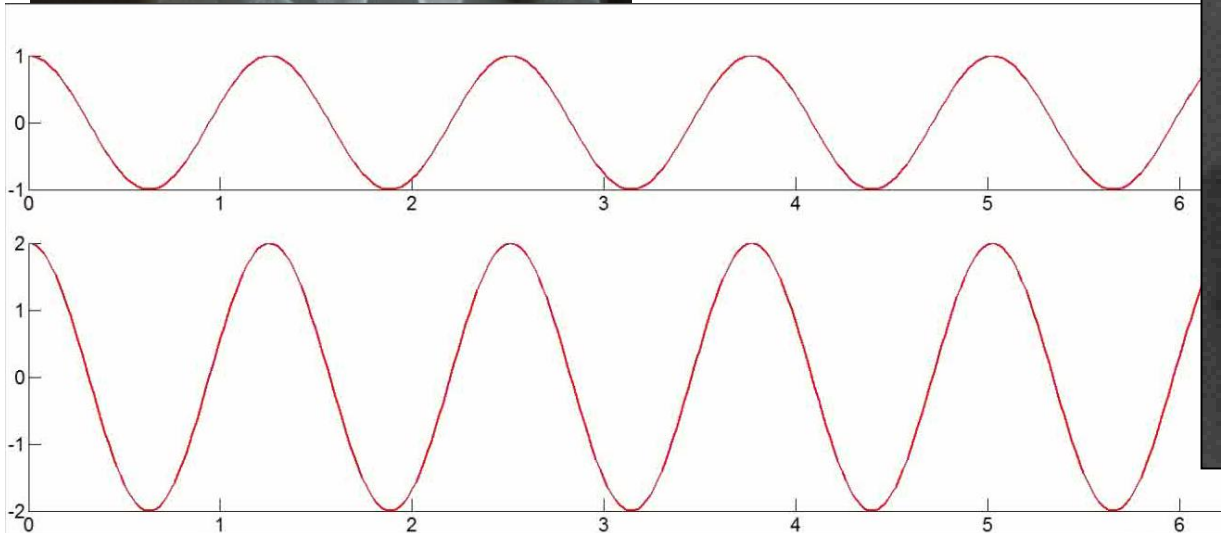
# *The mean aim of Max von Laue (1912)*

★ X-rays are electromagnetic wave with wave length much smaller than wave length of visible light. X-rays are diffracted a crystal lattice

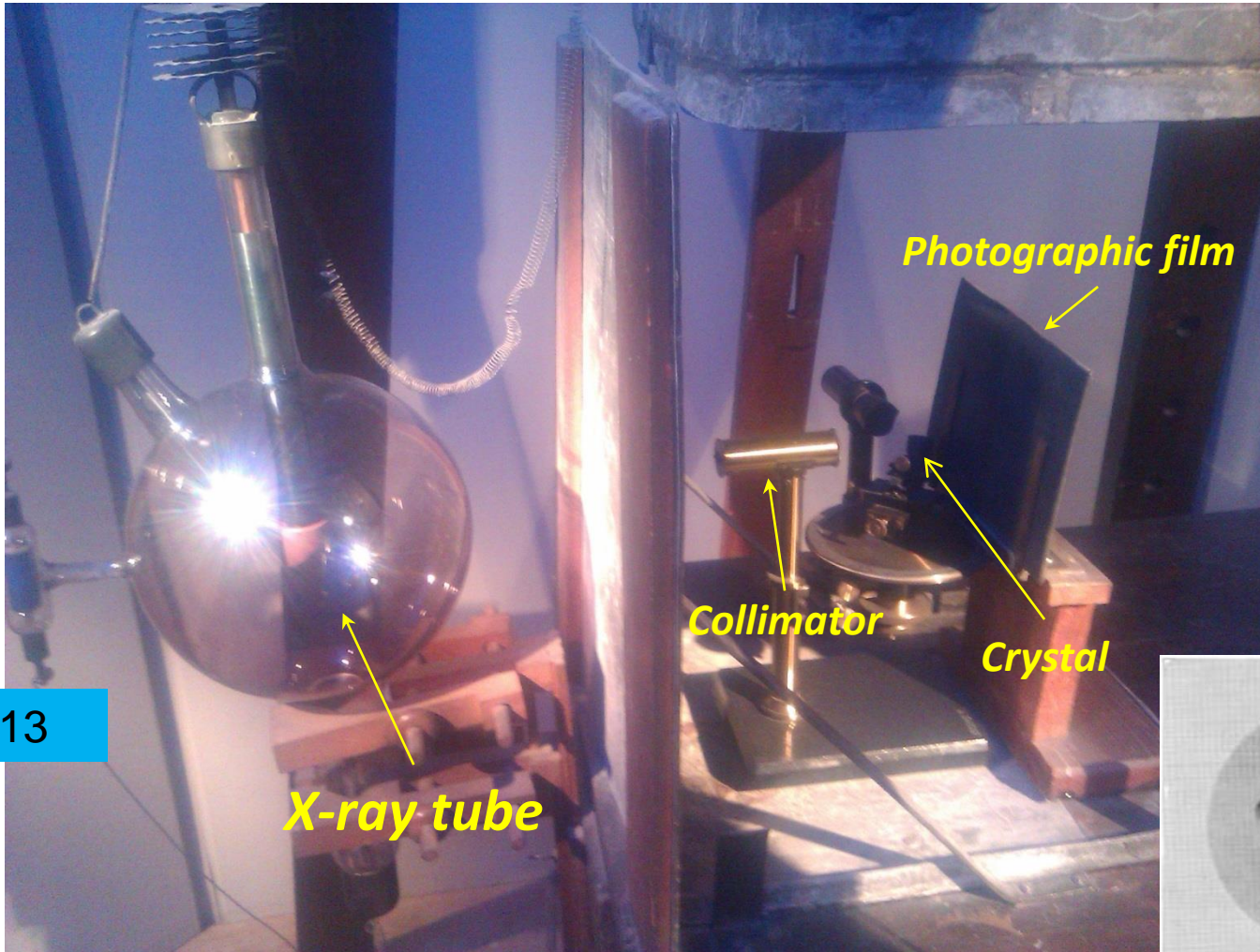


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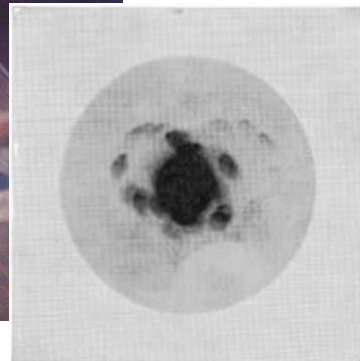
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# Original experiment von Laue, Friedrich und Knipping

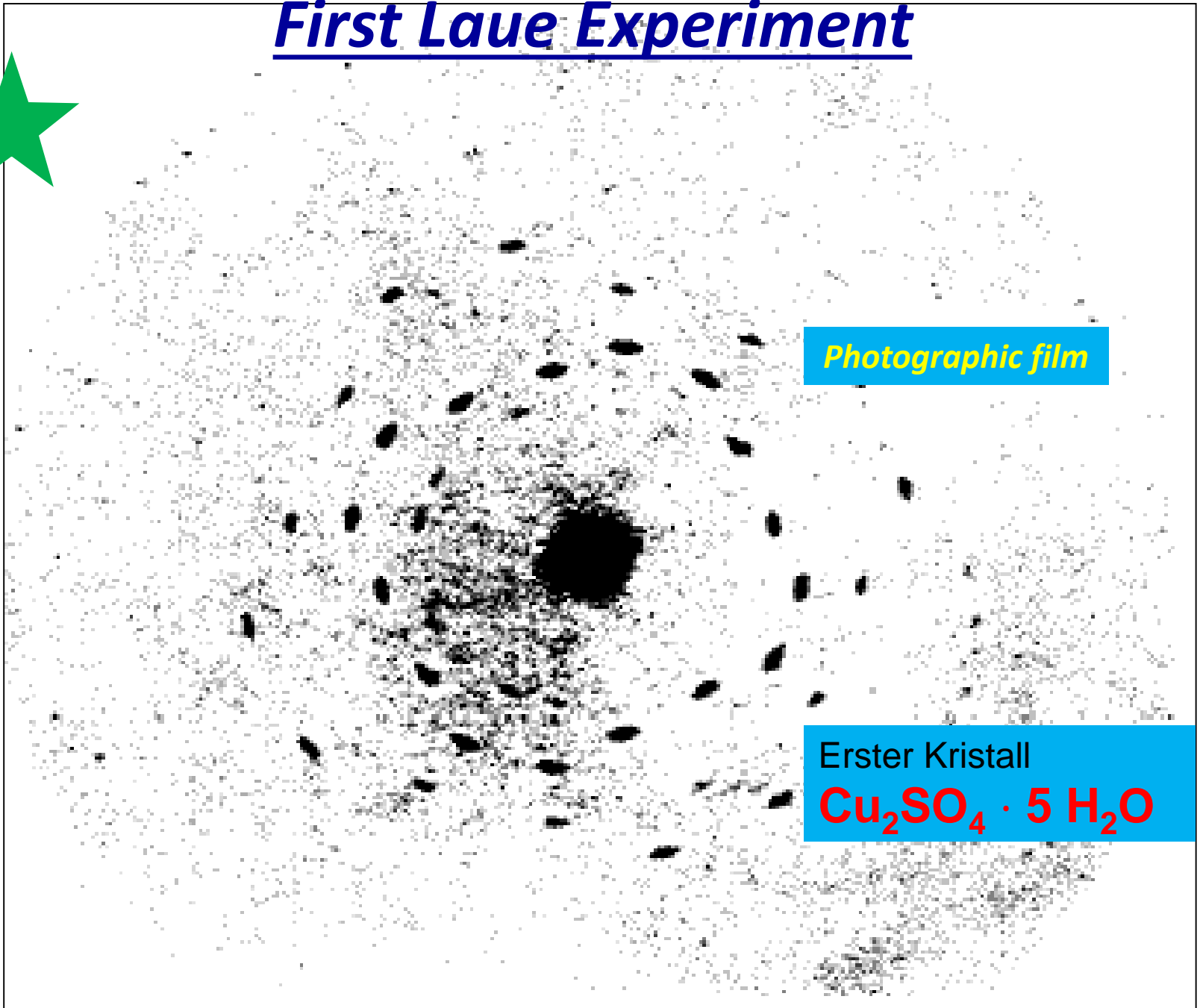
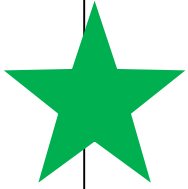


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# First Laue Experiment



*Photographic film*

Erster Kristall



## 1912: Begin of modern Crystallography

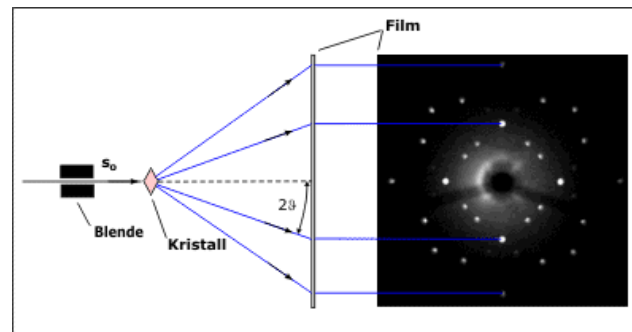
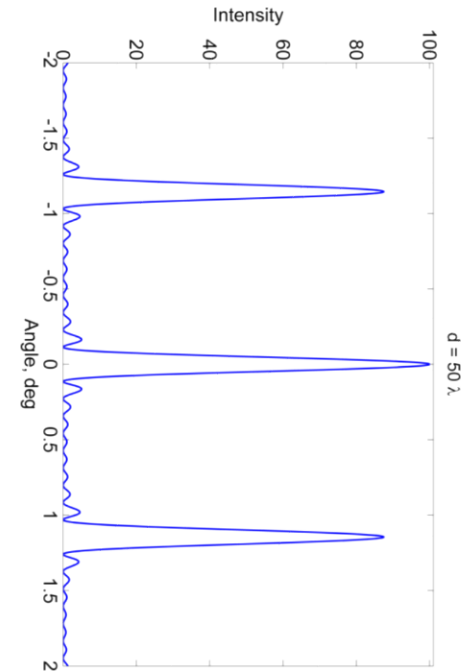
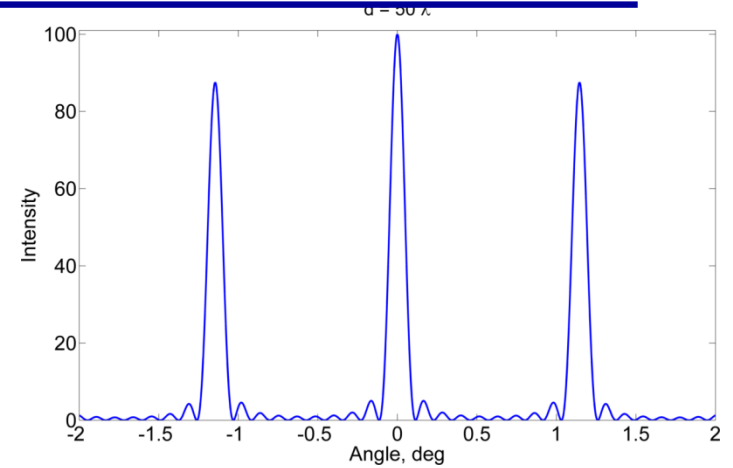
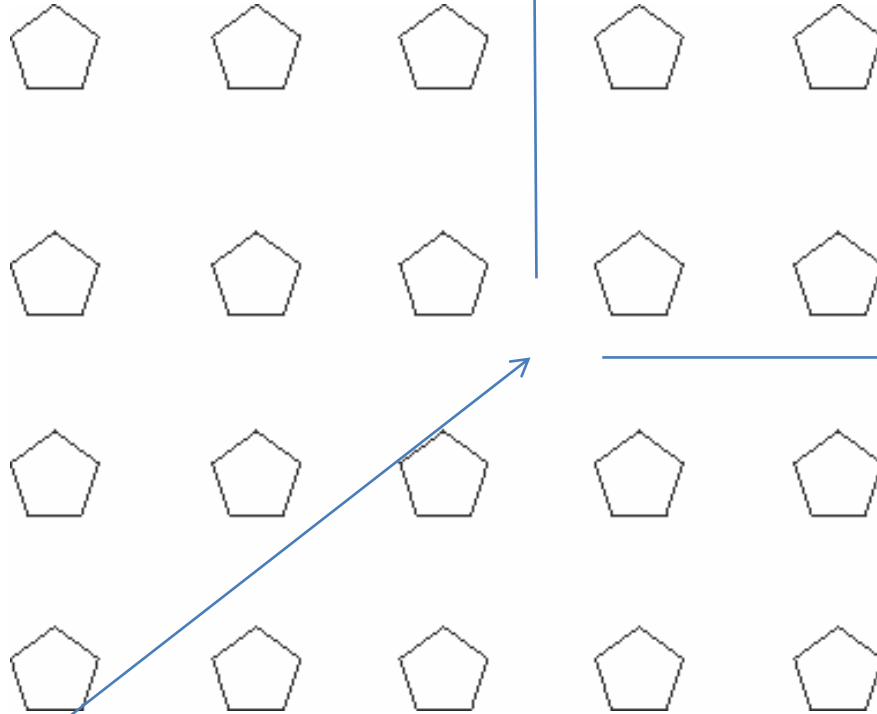
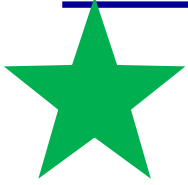


*X-rays are electromagnetic waves of very short wavelength (  $\sim 1 \text{ \AA} = 10^{-10} \text{ m}$  ).*

*Crystals are periodic structures in 3D : interatomic distances are of similar order of magnitude as x-ray wave length*

*X-ray diffraction is a method to determine the geometric structure of solids !*

# Erklärung durch Interferenz am 3D Gitter

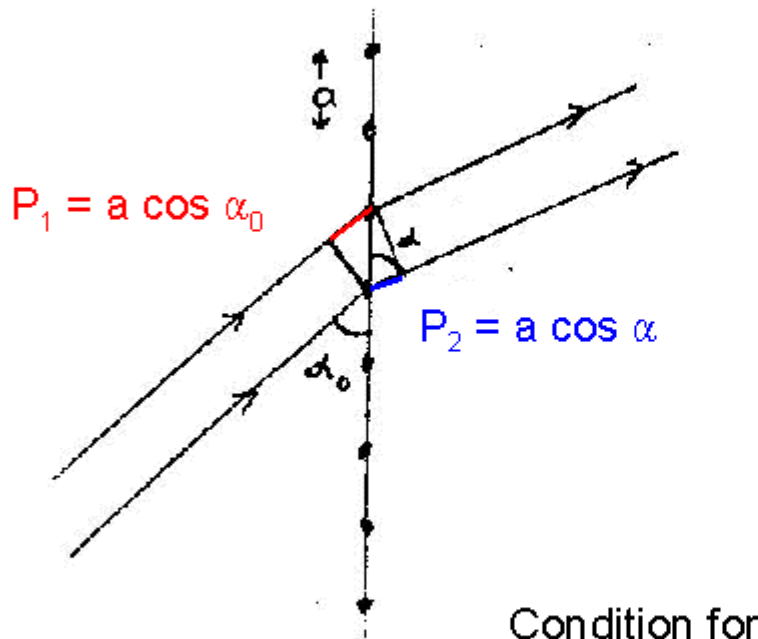


# Explanation of Laue pattern



## von Laue Equation

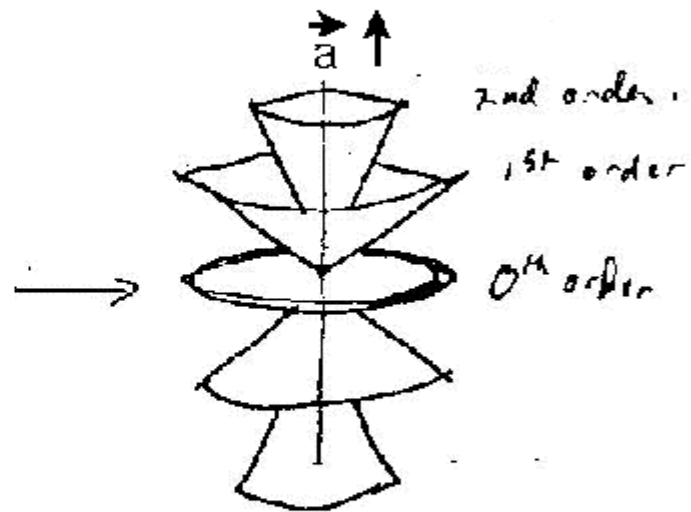
Scattering from a line of atoms along "a"



Total  
Path difference

Condition for  
constructive  
interference

$$P_2 - P_1 = a (\cos \alpha - \cos \alpha_0) = h \lambda$$



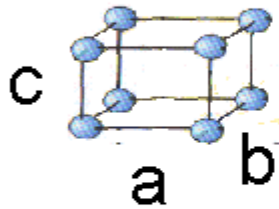
Constructive interference  
along conical surfaces about  
a-axis



## von Laue Equation

For a crystal with cell parameters

$\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$



We have three von Laue equations

$$\begin{aligned} a (\cos \alpha - \cos \alpha_0) &= h \lambda \\ b (\cos \beta - \cos \beta_0) &= k \lambda \\ c (\cos \gamma - \cos \gamma_0) &= l \lambda \end{aligned} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

Where  $\cos \alpha_0$ ,  $\cos \beta_0$ ,  $\cos \gamma_0$  are the direction cosines of the incident ray and  $\cos \alpha$ ,  $\cos \beta$ ,  $\cos \gamma$  are the direction cosines of the reflected ray in the crystal axis.

So, we must also satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \cos^2 \alpha_0 + \cos^2 \beta_0 + \cos^2 \gamma_0 &= 1 \\ \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Using that the angle between the incident and reflected ray is  $2\theta$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \cos 2\theta = \cos \alpha \cos \alpha_0 + \cos \beta \cos \beta_0 + \cos \gamma \cos \gamma_0$$





## von Laue Equation

We square the von Laue Equations

$$\frac{h^2 \lambda^2}{a^2} = \cos^2 \alpha - 2 \cos \alpha \cos \alpha_0 + \cos^2 \alpha_0$$

①<sup>2</sup>

$$\frac{k^2 \lambda^2}{b^2} = \cos^2 \beta - 2 \cos \beta \cos \beta_0 + \cos^2 \beta_0$$

$$\frac{l^2 \lambda^2}{c^2} = \cos^2 \gamma - 2 \cos \gamma \cos \gamma_0 + \cos^2 \gamma_0$$

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$$\left( \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right) \lambda^2 = 1 - 2(\cos \alpha \cos \alpha_0 + \cos \beta \cos \beta_0 + \cos \gamma \cos \gamma_0) + 1$$

Using eq. ③

$$\left( \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right) \lambda^2 = 2(1 - \cos 2\theta)$$

Trig. Identity

$$\left( \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right) \lambda^2 = 4 \sin^2 \theta$$

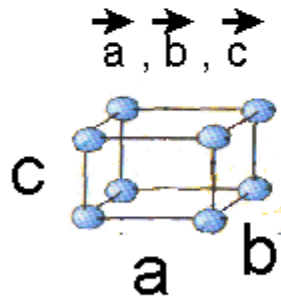


# General Bragg law

$$\left( \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right)^{1/2} \lambda = 2 \sin \theta$$

## Reciprocal Lattice

For a crystal with cell parameters



Reciprocal lattice is constructed using vectors

$$\vec{a}^*, \vec{b}^*, \vec{c}^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a}^* &\text{ is normal to the bc plane and } |\vec{a}^*| = \frac{2\pi}{a} \\ \vec{b}^* &\text{ is normal to the ac plane and } |\vec{b}^*| = \frac{2\pi}{b} \\ \vec{c}^* &\text{ is normal to the ab plane and } |\vec{c}^*| = \frac{2\pi}{c} \end{aligned}$$

recip. lattice vector  $\vec{G} = h\vec{a}^* + k\vec{b}^* + l\vec{c}^*$

A vector connecting 2 lattice points in reciprocal space can be written

$$|\vec{G}| = \left[ (h\vec{a}^*)^2 + (k\vec{b}^*)^2 + (l\vec{c}^*)^2 \right]^{1/2} = 2\pi \left( \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right)^{1/2}$$



## General Bragg law

$$2\pi \left( \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right)^{1/2} = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin \theta$$

$\vec{G}$

are the reciprocal  
vectors  
of the reciprocal lattice

$$|\vec{G}| = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin \theta$$

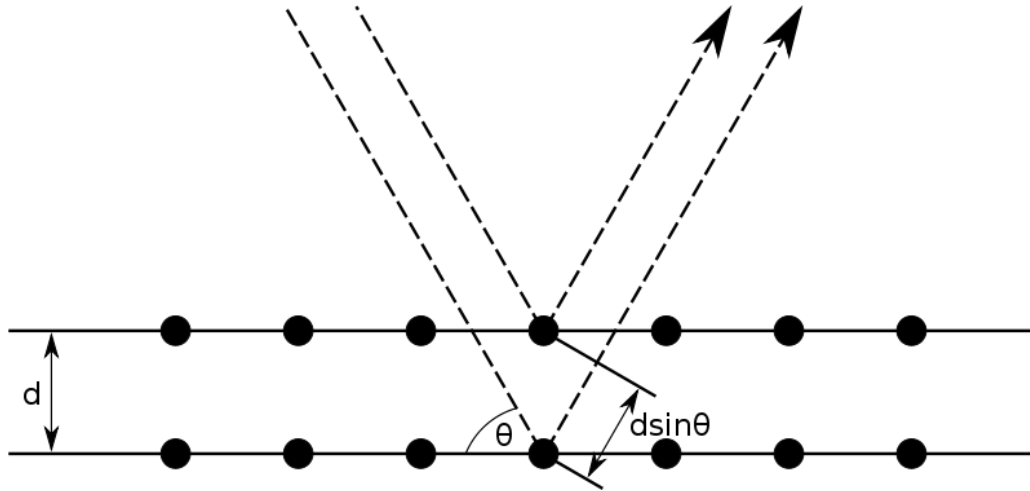
$$a = b = c \quad 2\pi \frac{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2 + l^2}}{a} = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin \theta$$

$$\lambda = 2 \frac{a}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2 + l^2}} \sin \theta$$

$$\lambda = 2d \sin \theta$$

# Alternative description of Laue-pattern by

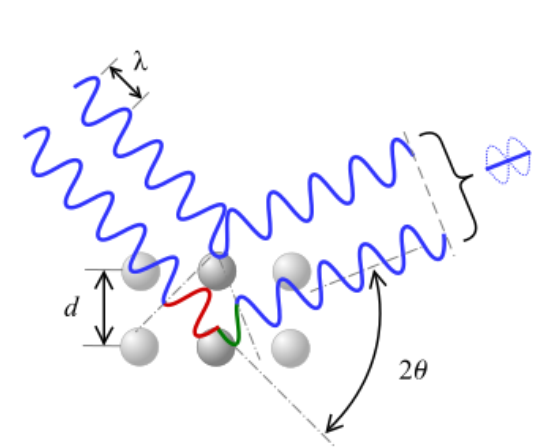
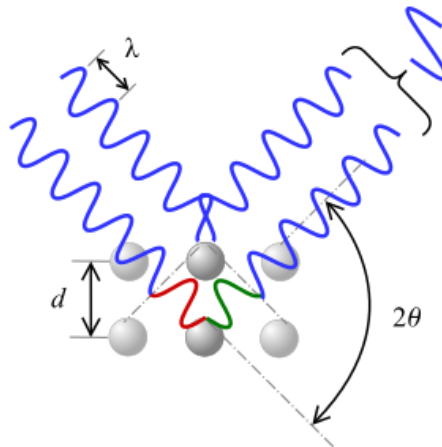
## W.H.Bragg und W.L.Bragg



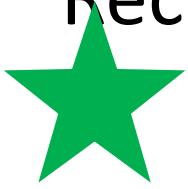
Interference at dense backed „lattice planes“

Bragg equation

$$N\lambda = 2d \sin \Theta$$



# Reciprocal space,



$$a^* a = 2\pi$$

$$b^* b = 2\pi$$

$$c^* c = 2\pi$$

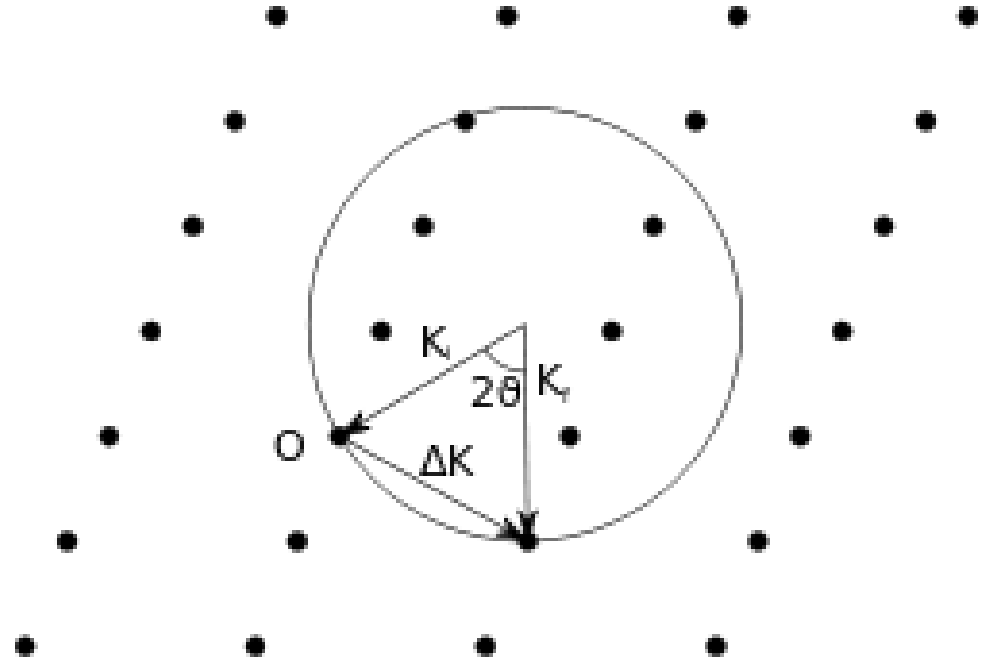
$$a^* b = 0, b^* c = 0, \dots$$

$$a^* = \frac{b \times c}{a(b \times c)}$$

$$b^* = \frac{c \times a}{a(b \times c)}$$

$$c^* = \frac{a \times b}{a(b \times c)}$$

# Ewald construction

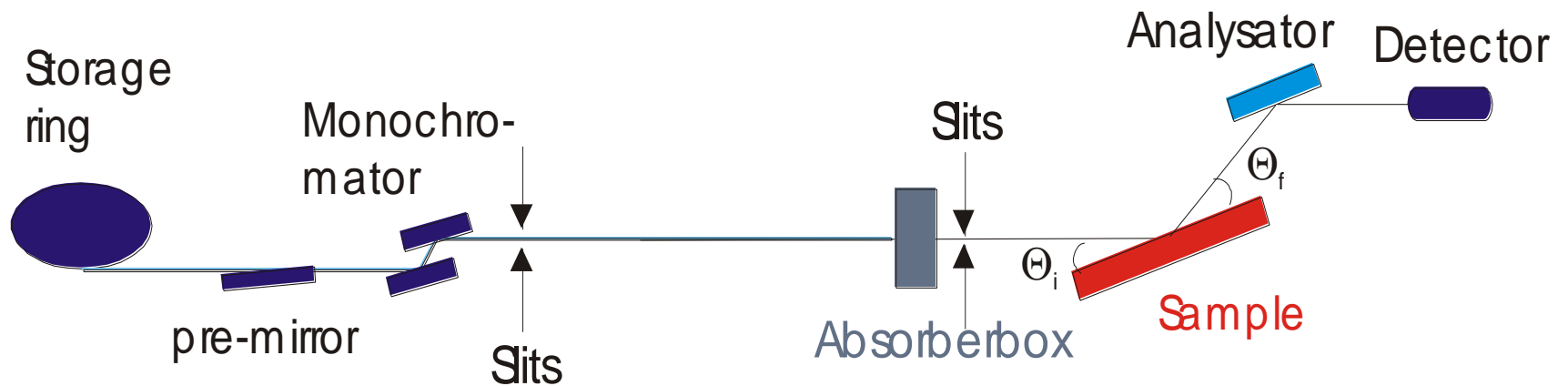


$$k_i = k_f = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$G = \frac{2\pi}{d(hkl)}$$

$$\Delta K = G = 2\pi(ha^* + kb^* + lc^*)$$

# ★ Setup of modern diffraction experiment



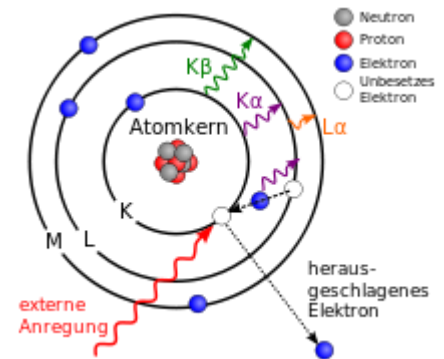
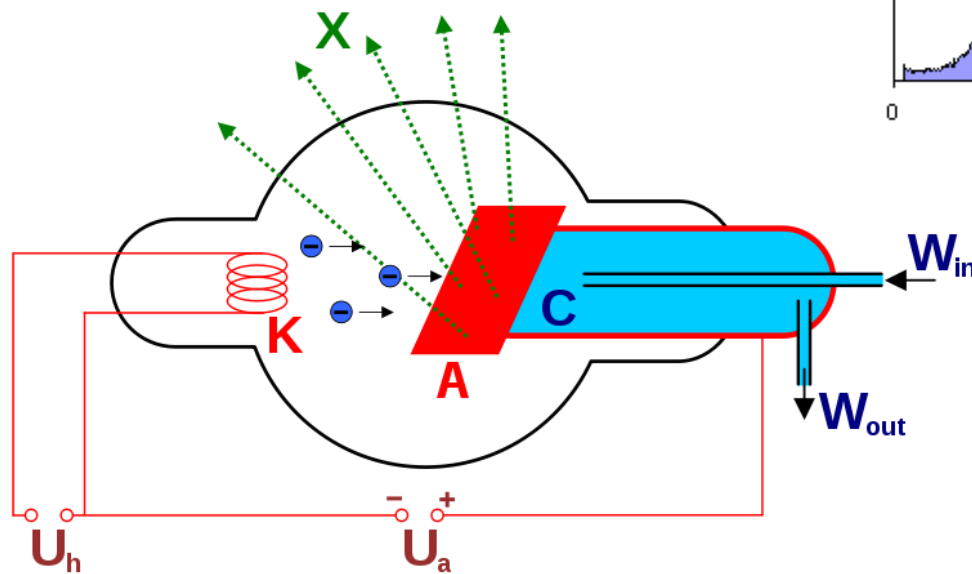
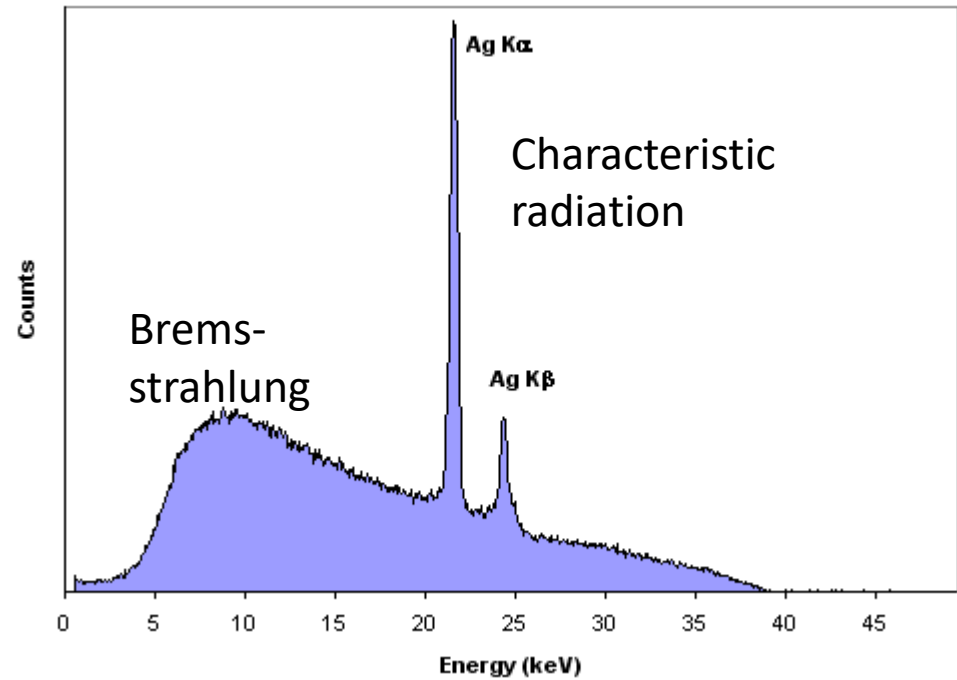
# ★ X-ray tube and tube spectrum

$$E = h\nu = eU$$

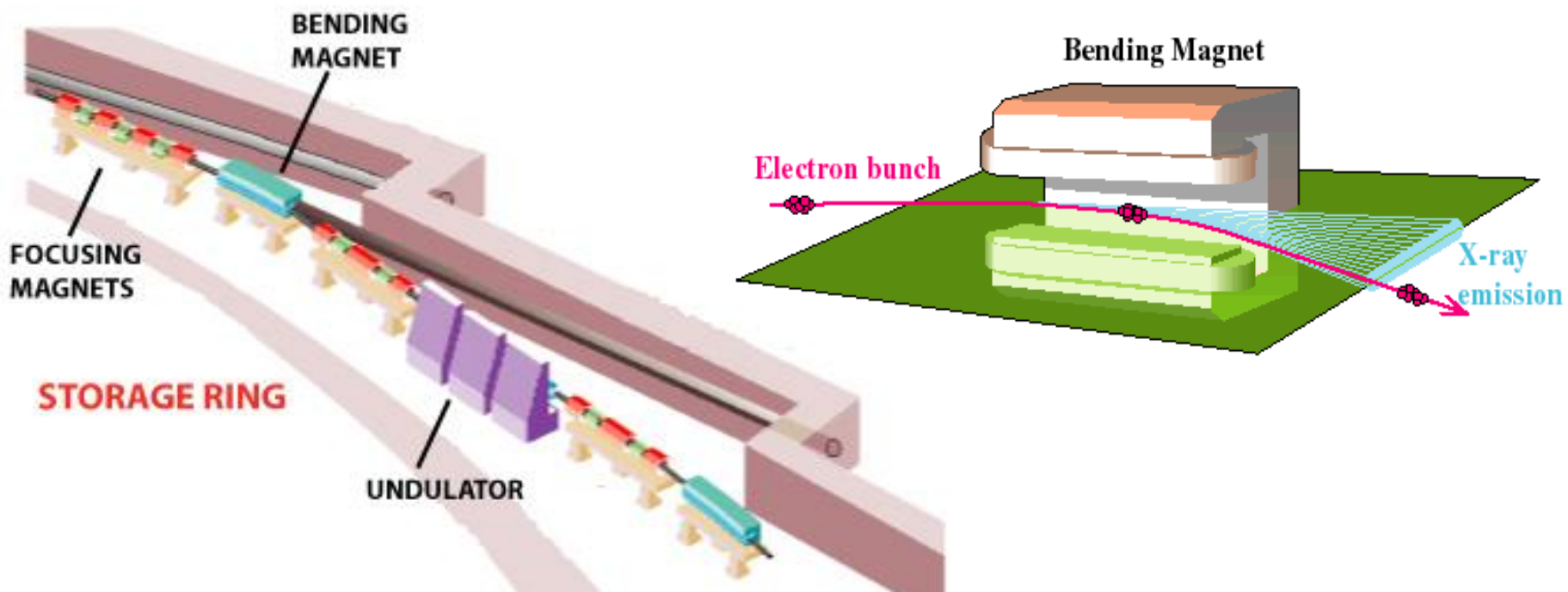
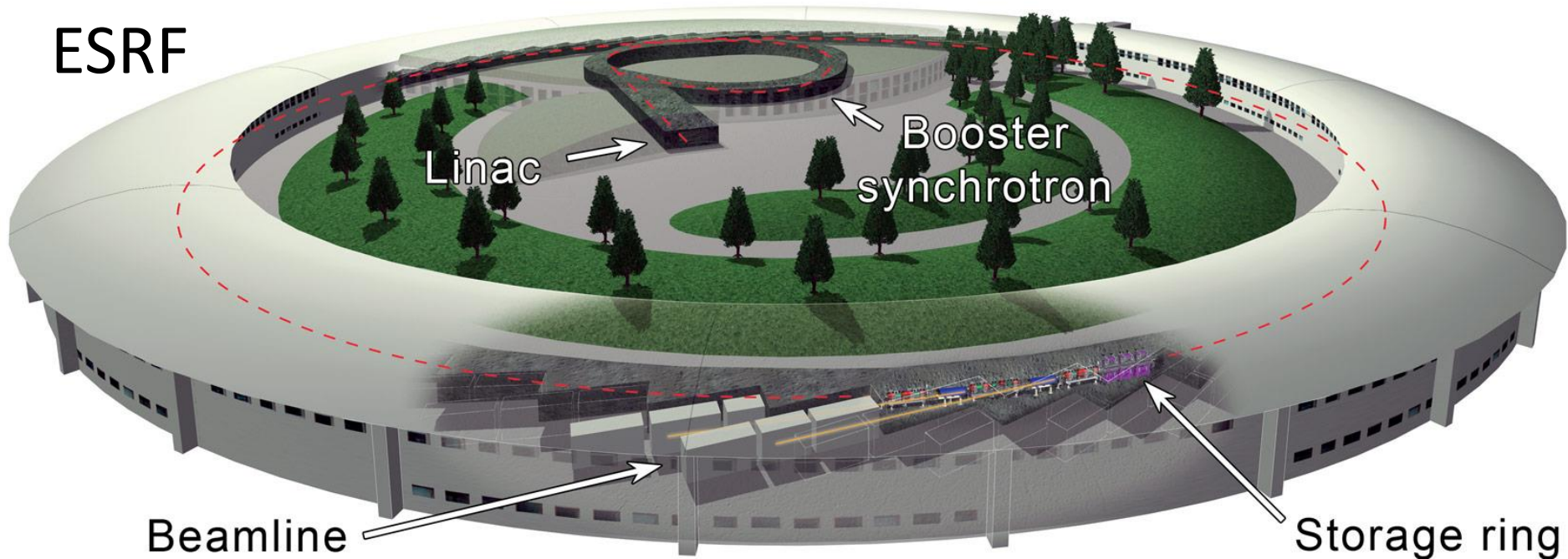
$$\lambda_{\min} = hc / eU_a$$

$$\lambda_{\min} = 12.4 / U_a$$

Mini-X Output X-Ray Spectrum: Ag Target @ 40 kV



# ESRF

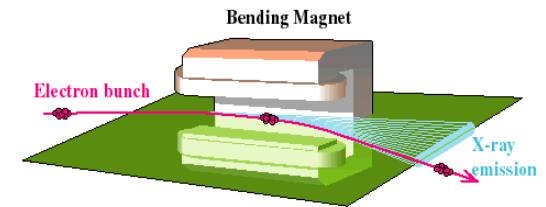




# Generation of Synchrotron radiation

Electron circulates with relativistic energy in orbit of storage ring with orbit frequency  $\omega = 10^6 \text{ Hz} \rightarrow E_e = 5 \text{ GeV}$

$$E_e = \frac{m_0 c^2}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} = \frac{m_0 c^2}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$



$E_e$  is much larger compared to rest mass energy  $mc^2$ ,  $\gamma = 5\text{GeV}/0.511 \text{ GeV} \approx 10^4$

$$\gamma = \frac{E_e}{m_0 c^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$

value  $1/\gamma$  is the vertical open angle

Using  $\gamma$  one can estimate the electron velocity

$$\beta = \left[1 - \frac{1}{\gamma^2}\right]^{1/2} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2\gamma^2} = 1 - 6 * 10^{-9} \quad v \approx 1 - 6 * 10^{-9} c$$

# Generation of Synchrotron radiation

Supposing the circulating electron emits a photon at point A of orbit. M Elektron proceeds to point C via B on orbit. At point C it emits a second photon. For the electron the length

$$AC \text{ (electron)} = v * dt .$$

For the photon emitted in A reaches this distance is

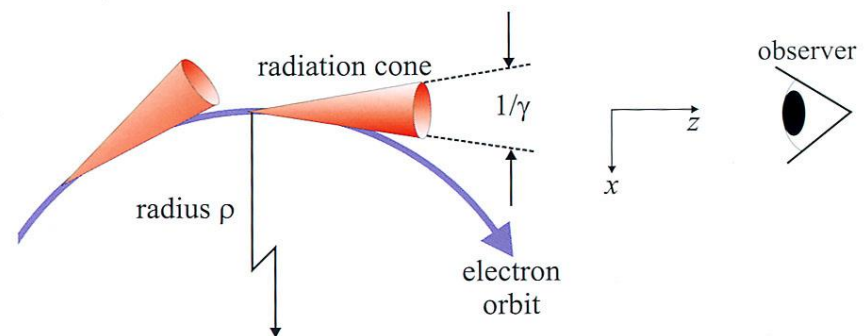
$$AC(\text{photon} = c * dt$$

The spatial distance between both waves :

$$(c-v) dt$$

An observer at point C the light pulse has a length

$$\Delta t = \frac{(c - v) dt'}{c} = (1 - \beta^2) dt'$$



# Generation of Synchrotron radiation

Considering the opening angle  $\alpha = 1/\gamma$  due to electron orbit

$$\Delta t = (1 - \beta \cos \alpha) dt' = \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\gamma^2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{\alpha^2}{2}\right)\right] dt' \approx \frac{1 + (\alpha\gamma)^2}{2\gamma^2} dt'$$

For  $\alpha = 0$

$$\Delta t \approx \frac{1}{2\gamma^2} dt' \approx 10^{-8} dt'$$

Dilatation of time and consequences for spectral distribution of photon emission

Orbit time of electron along AC differs from time of photon

$$\Delta t'(electron) = \frac{1}{2\pi\gamma} T = \frac{1}{\gamma\omega} \approx 10^{-10} s$$

$$\Delta t(photon) = \frac{1}{2\gamma^2} \frac{1}{\gamma\omega} T = \frac{1}{2\gamma^3\omega} \approx 10^{-18} s$$

# Generation of Synchrotron radiation

Inverse pulse length determines the spectral width of light emission

$$\Delta\omega_c = \frac{3}{2}\gamma^3\omega \approx 10^{18} \text{ Hz}$$

The emission spectrum has a critical wavelength given by

$$\lambda_c = \frac{c}{\nu} = \frac{10^8}{10^{18}} = 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

This is x-ray range. In energy :

$$\hbar\omega_c = \frac{3}{2}\hbar\omega\gamma^3 \approx 0.655 * E_e^2 (\text{GeV})B(T)$$

# Generation of Synchrotron radiation

Bending radius R of electron orbit is

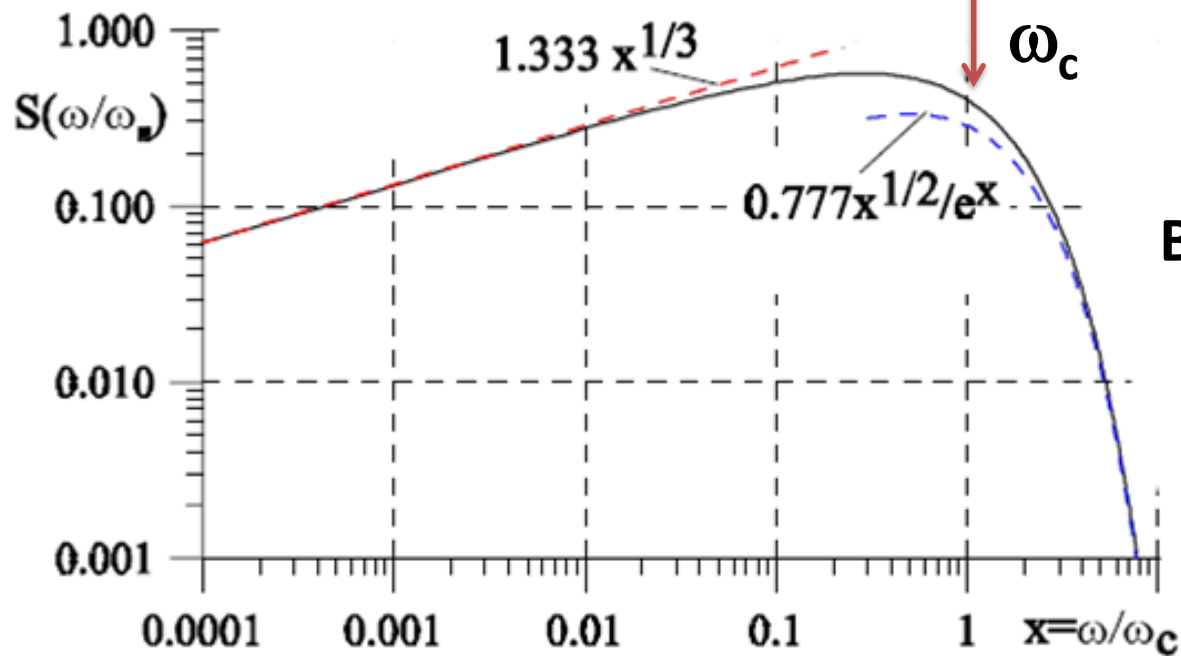
$$\gamma m v = R e B \quad R = \frac{\gamma m c}{e B} = \frac{E_e}{m c^2} \frac{m c}{e B} = 3.3 * \frac{E_e (GeV)}{B(T)}$$

Emission power is

$$P(kW) = 1.266 * E_e^2 (GeV) B^2 (T) R \alpha (m) I (mA)$$

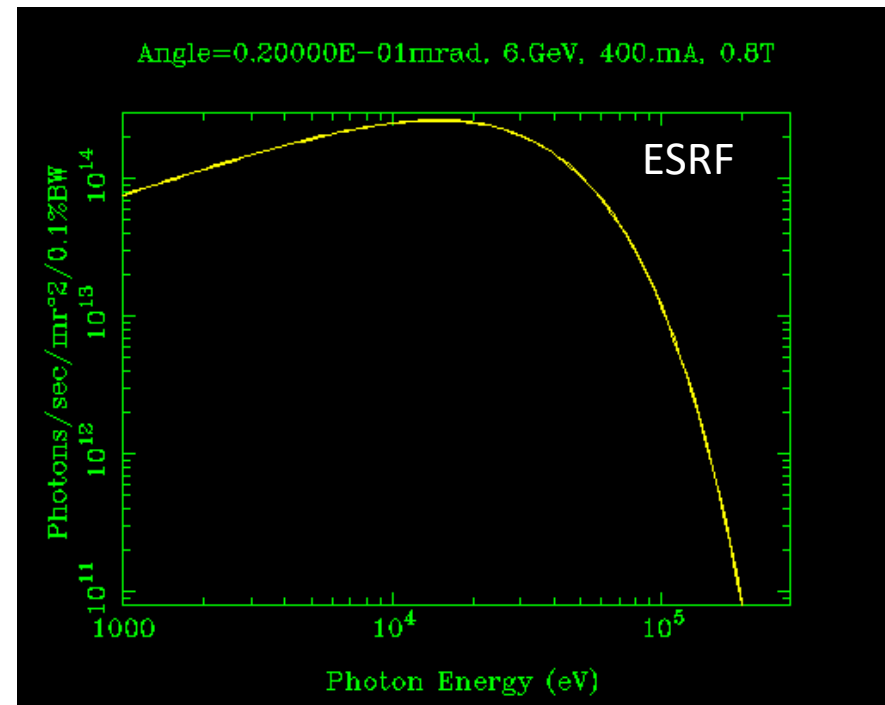
For ESRF, E=6GeV, B=0.8T → R= 24.8m

$$P(kW) = 1.266 * 6_e^2 (GeV) 0.8^2 (T) 24.8m + 0.05mrad * 100mA = 7.3W$$



**Bend magnet spectrum**

Well predictable

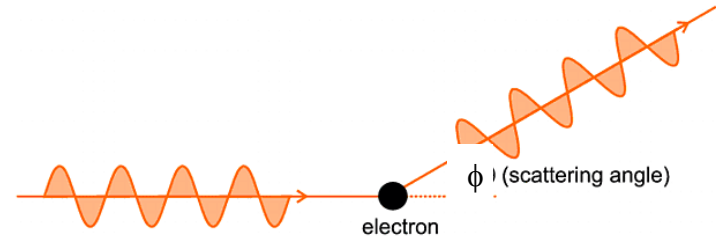




# Kinematic X-ray scattering

Dipole scattering of x-ray wave by an electron: Electron excites dipole radiation

$$I = \langle E^2 \rangle = \langle E_o^2 \rangle = \frac{e^2}{mc^2} \frac{1}{R^2} \left( \frac{1 + \cos^2 \phi}{2} \right)$$



Superposition of dipole radiation generated by two electrons at positions  $X_1$  and  $X_2$

$$E = E_0 \frac{e^2}{mc^2} \frac{1}{X} \exp(i[\omega t - \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (X_1 - X_2)])$$

For n electrons

$$E = E_0 \frac{e^2}{mc^2} \frac{1}{R} \exp(2\pi i[\nu t - \frac{R}{\lambda}] \sum_n \exp(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} [\vec{S} - \vec{S}_0])) \quad k_f - k_i = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (S - S_0)$$

Stotal scattering amplitude of one atom :  $\rightarrow$  atomic form factor



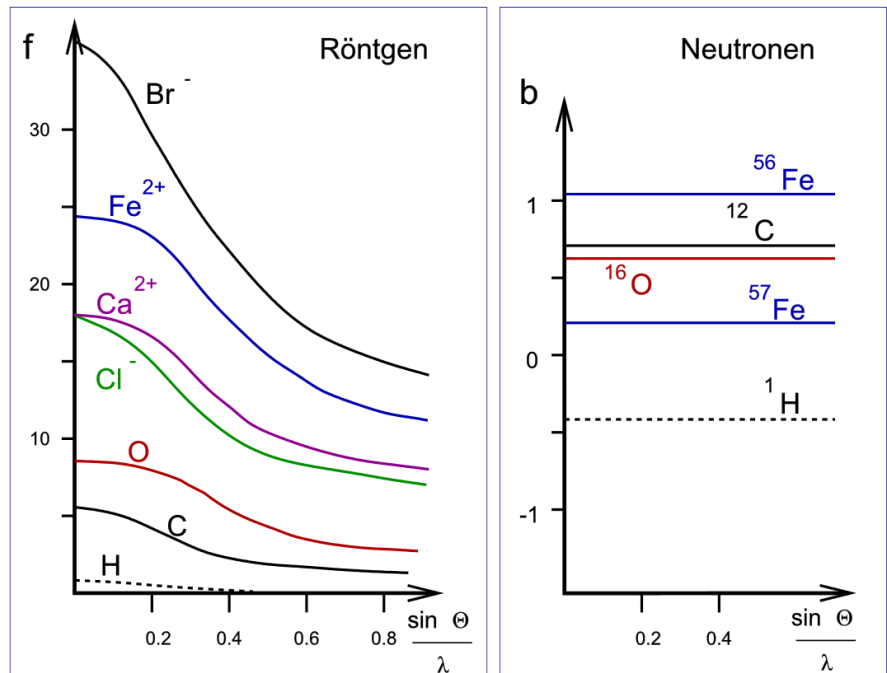
# Kinematic X-ray scattering

Scattering by all electrons of one atom :  $\rightarrow$  atomic formfactor

$$E = E_0 \frac{e^2}{mc^2} \frac{1}{R} \exp(2\pi i[\nu t - \frac{R}{\lambda}] \sum_n \exp(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} [\vec{S} - \vec{S}_0])$$

$$e^* \sum_n \exp(i[\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} r(\vec{S} - \vec{S}_0)]) = \int \exp(2\pi i[\frac{\vec{s} - \vec{s}_0}{\lambda} \vec{r}]) \rho dV$$

Form factor  $f[(s-s_0)/\lambda]$  result from quantum mechanical calculations  
 $f(0) = Z$  ;  $f[(s-s_0)/\lambda]$  decays continuously as function of  $(s-s_0)/\lambda$







# Kinematic X-ray scattering

Scattering by two atoms :

$$E \approx f_1 \exp(2\pi i[\nu t - \frac{R}{\lambda}]) + f_2 \exp(2\pi i[\nu t - \frac{R - (S - S_0)R_2}{\lambda}]) = \exp(2\pi i[\nu t + \frac{R}{\lambda}]) (f_1 + f_2 \exp(2\pi i[\frac{R_2}{\lambda} (\vec{S} - \vec{S}_0)]))$$

Scattering by many disordered atoms :

$$I \approx E^* E = f_1^2 + f_2^2 + 2f_1 f_2 \cos[\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\vec{S} - \vec{S}_0)]$$

$$\langle \exp \frac{2\pi i}{\lambda} [\vec{S} - \vec{S}_0] r_{nm} \rangle \rightarrow \frac{\sin(kr_{nm})}{kr_{nm}} \rightarrow k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$I = \sum_{n,m} f_m f_n \frac{\sin(kr_{nm})}{kr_{nm}}$$

Debye'sche Streugleichung **Debye equation**

# Kinematic X-ray scattering

Scattering by „small“ crystal:  $r_{nm} = R_{nm} + r_n$  distances between unit cells  $\rightarrow$  shape factor, distances between atoms within one unit cell  $\rightarrow$  structure factor

$$R_{nm} = m_1 a_1 + m_2 a_2 + m_3 a_3$$

$$E \approx f_n \exp(i\omega t) \exp(-2\pi i \frac{R}{\lambda}) \exp(\frac{2\pi i}{\lambda} (\vec{S} - \vec{S}_0)[m_1 a_1 + m_2 a_2 + m_3 a_3])$$

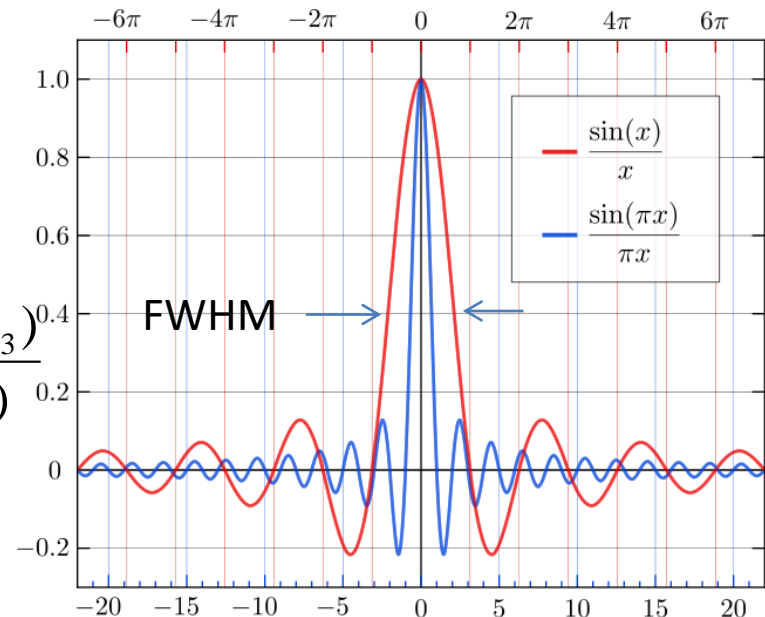
Summation over all unit cells

$\rightarrow N_1 a_1, N_2 a_2, N_3 a_3$

$$K = k_f - k_i \quad |K| = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$E \approx F^2 \frac{\sin(\frac{1}{2} N_1 K a_1)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2} K a_1)} \frac{\sin(\frac{1}{2} N_2 K a_2)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2} K a_2)} \frac{\sin(\frac{1}{2} N_3 K a_3)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2} K a_3)}$$

$$I \approx EE^* = F^2 S^2$$



# Kinematic X-ray scattering

$I \ll 0$  only in near vicinity of the peak maxima

$$\begin{aligned}Ka_1 &= 2\pi h \\Ka_2 &= 2\pi k \\Ka_3 &= 2\pi l\end{aligned}\quad h, k, l \text{ integer}$$

FWHM of a Bragg peak can be approximated

$$I(\Delta x) \approx \frac{\sin^2(N\Delta x)}{\sin^2(\Delta x)} \approx N^2 \exp(-(\Delta x N)^2 / \pi) \quad \Delta x = \frac{1}{2} \Delta k a \quad \Delta k = \frac{1}{2} B \cos \Theta$$

$$N^2 \exp\left(-\left(\pi \frac{N^2 a^2}{\lambda^2} \left(\frac{B}{2}\right)^2 \cos^2 \Theta\right)\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

FWHM  $B(2\Theta)$  is inversely proportional to crystal size  $L$

$$B(2\Theta) = \frac{\sqrt{2(\ln 2) / \pi} \lambda}{N a \cos \Theta} = \frac{0.94 \lambda}{N a \cos \Theta} = \frac{0.94 \lambda}{L \cos \Theta}$$



# Structure factor F

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i \exp(-i(kr_i))$$

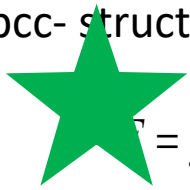
$$k = 2\pi(ha^* + kb^* + lc^*) \quad r_i = x_i a + y_i b + z_i c$$

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i \exp(-2\pi i(ha^* + kb^* + lc^*)(x_i a + y_i b + z_i c))$$

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i \exp(-2\pi i(hx_i + ky_i + lz_i))$$

Examples →

bcc- structure: xyz = 000,  $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$



$$F = f(1 + \exp(-\pi i(h+k+l)))$$

$$F = 2f \quad \text{if } h+k+l = \text{even};$$

$$F = 0 \quad \text{if } h+k+l = \text{odd}$$

fcc- structure: xyz = 000,  $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$  0,  $\frac{1}{2}$  0  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 0  $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$

$$F = f(1 + \exp(-\pi i(h+k)) + \exp(-\pi i(h+l)) + \exp(-\pi i(k+l)))$$

$$F = 4f \quad \text{if } h,k,l \text{ all are even or odd};$$

$$F = 0 \quad \text{if } h,k,l \text{ are mixed}$$

hcp- structure: xyz = 000,  $\frac{1}{3}$   $\frac{2}{3}$   $\frac{1}{2}$

$$F = f(1 + \exp(-2\pi i((h+2k)/3 + l/2)))$$

$$F = 2f \quad \text{if } h+2k = 3n, l \text{ even};$$

$$F = \sqrt{3}f \quad \text{if } h+2k = 3n+1, l \text{ odd}$$

$$F = 0 \quad \text{if } h+2k = 3n+1, l \text{ even}$$



# Extinktion rules

Not all combinations of  $h, k, l$  are „allowed“ , Bragg peak intensity can be vanishing due to crystal (point group ) symmetry

In fcc system, only reflections appear with  $h^2+k^2+l^2 = 2,4,8,11,12....$

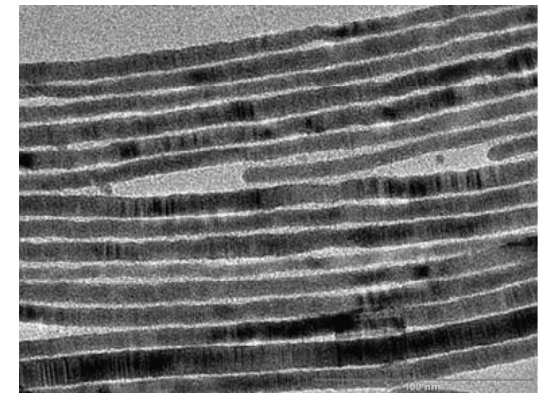
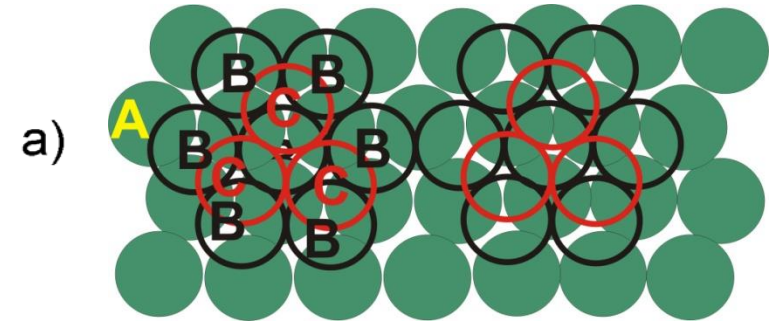
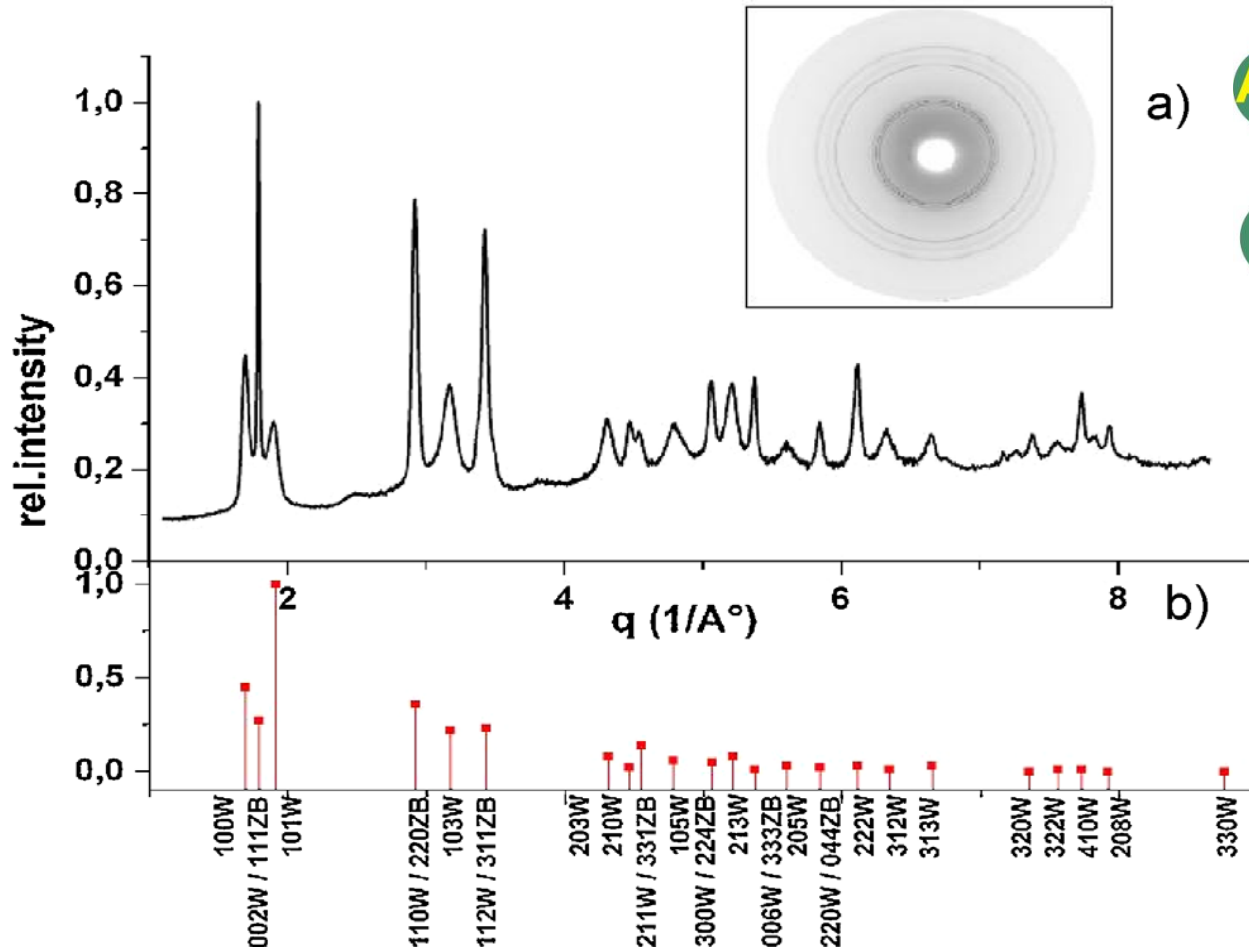
= 111, 200, 220, 311, 222,.....

In NaCl 111, 311..... Are weak reflectons  
220, 400..... Are strong reflections

In ZnSe 220, 400.....strong  
111, 311.....middle  
200, 222.....weka

Structure (point group) identification considering extinktion rules and Bragg peak intensities

# Powder diffraction pattern from CdSe Nanowires



# Debye-Waller Factor

Due to thermal atom oscillations

$$\langle \exp(ik(r + \Delta r)) \rangle = \exp(ikr) \langle \exp(ik\Delta r) \rangle$$

$$\langle \exp(ix) \rangle = 1 + i\langle x \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle x^2 \rangle + \dots = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\langle x^2 \rangle\right)$$

$$\langle \exp(ik\Delta r) \rangle \approx \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}k^2\langle \Delta r^2 \rangle\right) = \exp(-2M)$$

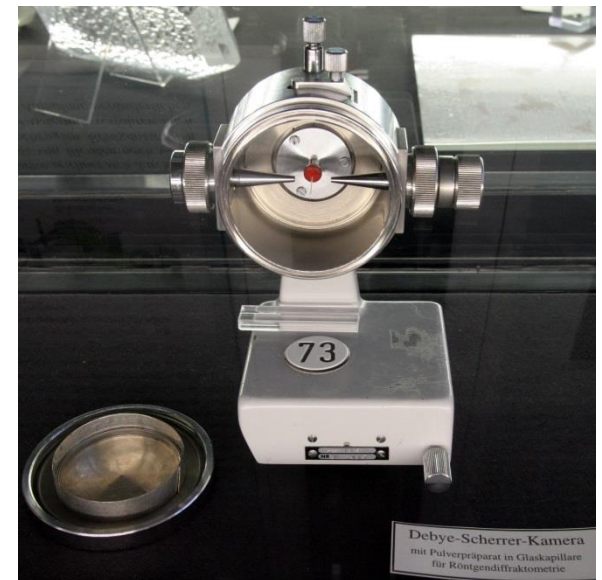
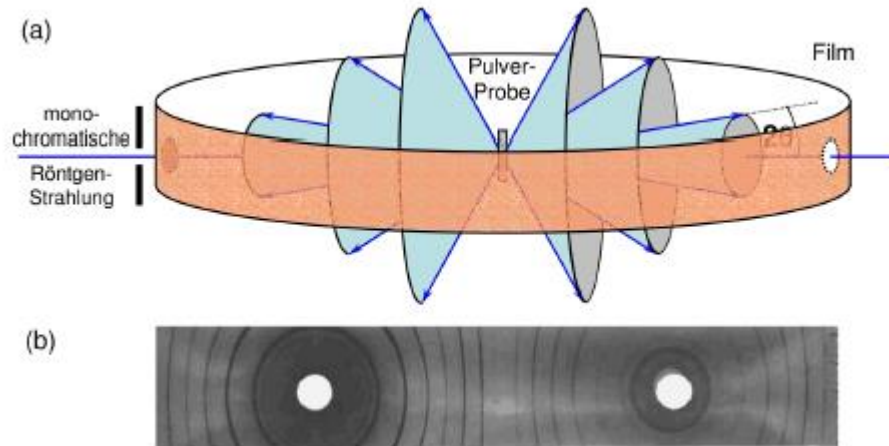
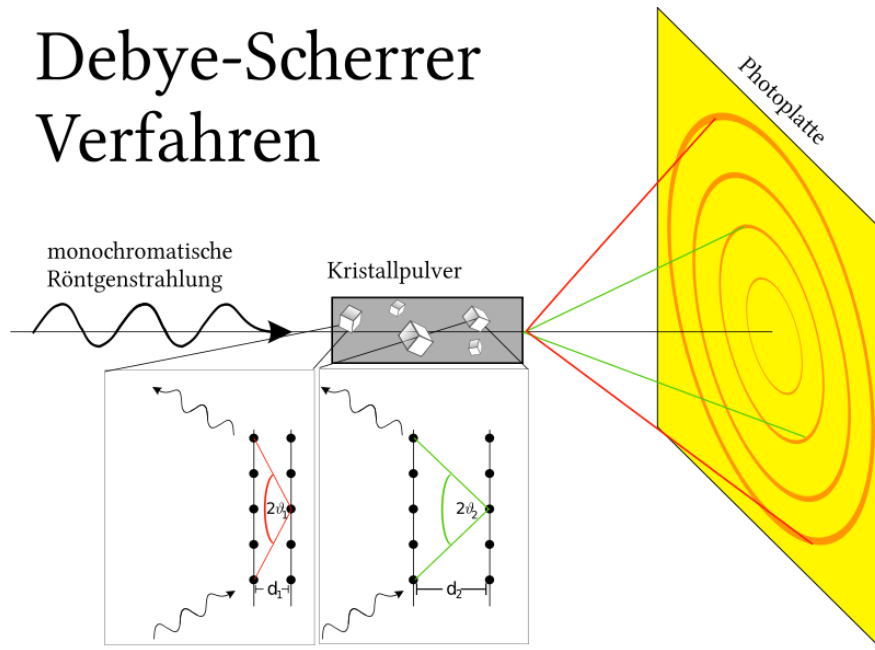
$$2M = 16\pi^2 \langle u^2 \rangle \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\lambda^2}$$

$$F(T) = F \exp(-2M)$$

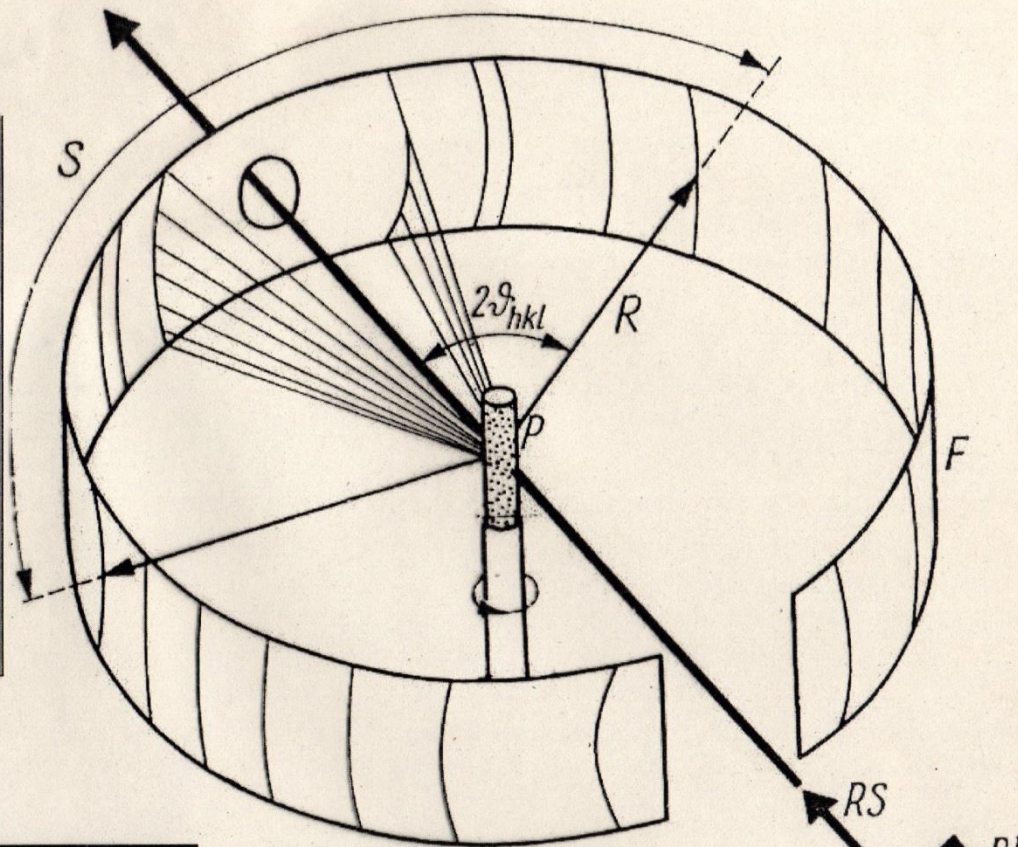
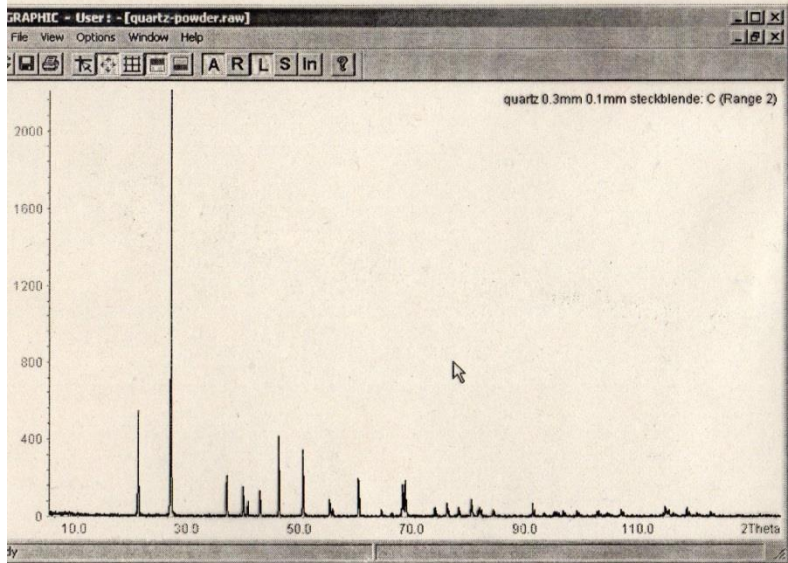
X-ray intensity becomes damped, Bragg peaks exit



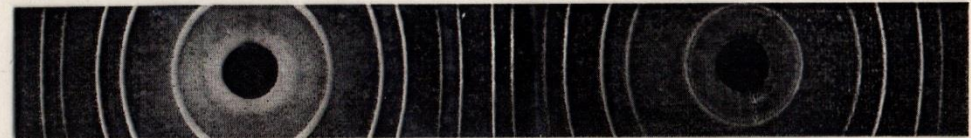
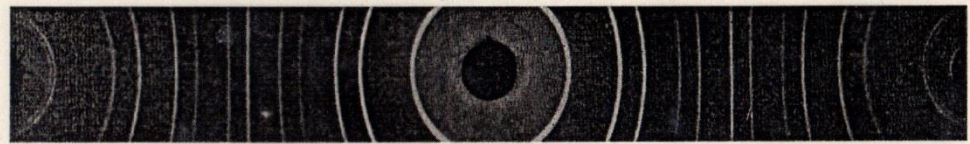
# Debye-Scherrer Verfahren



# Debye-Scherrer Experiment



Dw. Stahlgeometrie  
 $S \sin(\mu m) = 4\theta$  in [grad]  
 weil  $2R = 57.3 \text{ mm}$





# Data evaluation

**Table 5.1**  
POWDER DIFFRACTOMETER PATTERN OF NaCl ( $\lambda = 1.542 \text{ \AA}$ )

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
$2\theta$	$\frac{4 \sin^2\theta}{\lambda^2}$	$h^2 + k^2 + l^2$	$hkl$	$a(A)$	$\frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda}$	$f_{Cl}$	$f_{Na}$	$F^2$	$m$	(LP)	$\frac{F^2 m(LP)}{1000}$	$A$ , arb. unit	Col. 12 corrected
27.3	0.0940	3	111	5.65	0.154	13.50	8.90	338	8	33.5	91	116	102
31.7	0.1255	4	200	5.65	0.177	12.70	8.70	7330	6	24.0	1057	1260	1160
45.5	0.2516	8	220	5.64	0.251	10.50	7.65	5280	12	10.9	690	694	697
53.9	0.3455	11	311	5.64	0.294	9.60	7.00	107	24	7.4	19	23	18
56.5	0.3768	12	222	5.64	0.307	9.35	6.75	4150	8	6.6	219	200	201
66.3	0.503	16	400	5.64	0.354	8.65	6.10	3490	6	4.7	98	92	82
73.2	0.598	19	331	5.64	0.386	8.30	5.65	112	24	3.8	10	13	8
75.4	0.629	20	420	5.64	0.396	8.20	5.50	3010	24	3.60	260	198	195
84.1	0.755	24	422	5.64	0.434	7.85	5.05	2660	24	3.05	195	136	136
90.6	0.849	27	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 511 \\ 333 \end{array} \right.$	5.64	0.461	7.60	4.75	130	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 24 \\ 8 \end{array} \right.$	2.80	12	10	8

# Electron charge density distribution from x-ray diffraction data

$$\rho(r) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(k) \exp(-ikr) dk$$

$$\rho_i(r) = \frac{2}{V} \sum_{-h}^h \sum_{-k}^k \sum_{-l}^l \Delta F_i(H) \exp(-2\pi H r); \quad H = \frac{1}{a}(hkl)$$

$$i = \begin{cases} \text{VED using } F_i(\mathbf{H}) = F_{\text{obs}}(\mathbf{H}) - F_{\text{core}}(\mathbf{H}); & hkl = 000 \dots 12 \ 12 \ 0, \\ \text{DED using } F_i(\mathbf{H}) = F_{\text{obs}}(\mathbf{H}) - F_{\text{sph}}(\mathbf{H}); & hkl = 111 \dots 12 \ 12 \ 0, \\ \text{FRD using } F_i(\mathbf{H}) = F_{\text{obs}}(\mathbf{H}); & hkl = 222, 442, 622, \\ \text{DX using } F_i(\mathbf{H}) = F_{\text{AH}}(\mathbf{H}) - F_{\text{TB}}(\mathbf{H}); & hkl = 111 \dots 880. \end{cases}$$

Electronic charge density of silicon

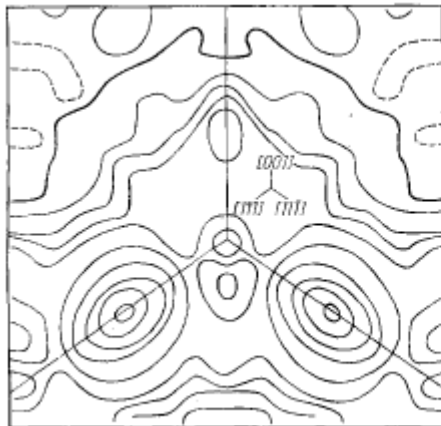


Fig. 1

Valence charge density

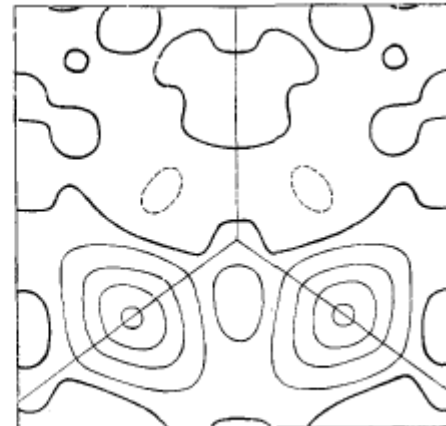


Fig. 2

difference charge density (bonding charges)

# Electron density distribution of GaAs from x-ray diffraction data

