

de Broglie Waves

➤ de Broglie argued

- Light exhibits both wave and particle properties
 - ◆ Wave – interference, diffraction
 - ◆ Particle – photoelectric effect, Compton effect
- Then matter (particles) should exhibit both particle and wave properties
- He predicted the wavelength to be

$$\text{de Broglie wavelength } \lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

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- Consider the E, p relations for a photon

$$E = hf \text{ and } E = pc$$

then

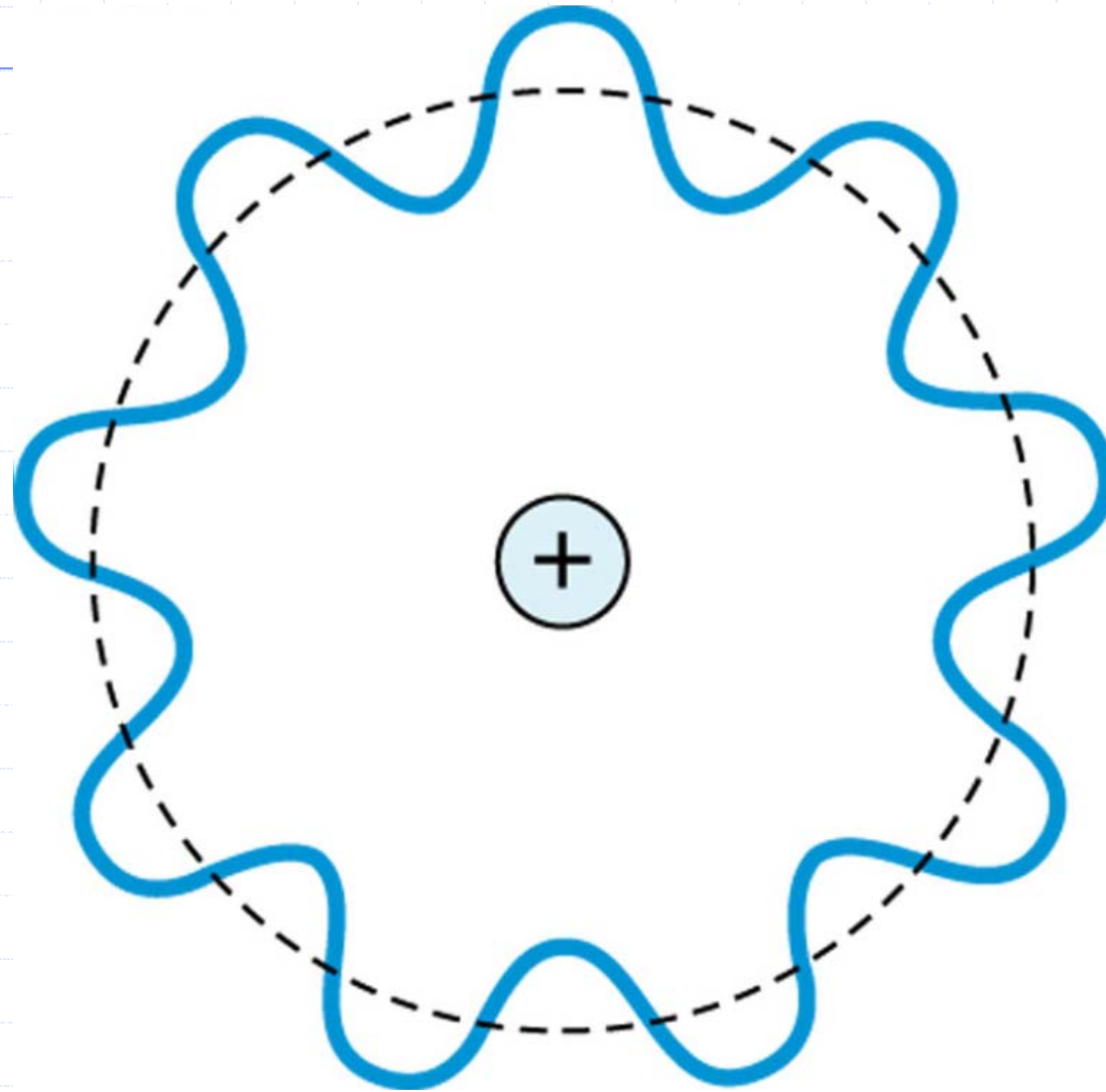
$$hf = pc$$

$$\frac{c}{f} = \frac{h}{p}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

- Guided by this, de Broglie proposed the same relation for matter

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- Let's apply de Broglie waves to the Bohr model
- If the electron is represented as a standing wave in an orbit about the proton

$$2\pi r = n\lambda = n \frac{h}{p}$$

$$L = rp = \frac{nh}{2\pi} = n\hbar$$

- This apparently justifies Bohr's assumption

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➤ de Broglie wavelength of a person running

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}}{(65 \text{ kg})(5 \text{ m/s})}$$

$$\lambda = 2 \times 10^{-36} \text{ m}$$

➤ de Broglie wavelength of a 50 eV electron

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{hc}{pc} = \frac{hc}{\sqrt{2mc^2T}} = \frac{1240 \text{ eVnm}}{\sqrt{(2)(.511 \times 10^6)(50)}}$$

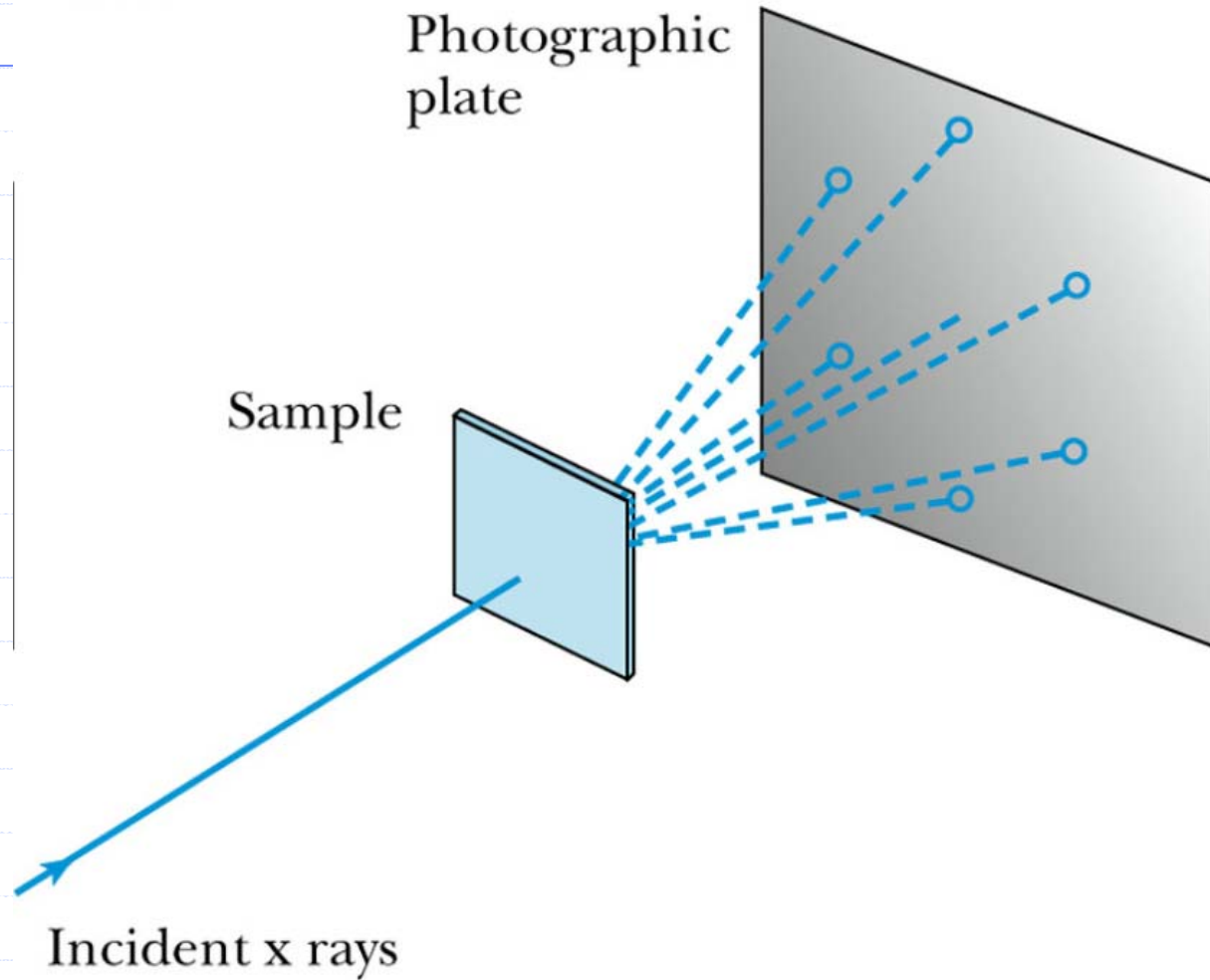
$$\lambda = 0.17 \text{ nm}$$

X-ray Scattering

➤ Before examining electron scattering from a (large) crystal, let's first look at x-ray scattering from a crystal

- Spacing of atoms in a crystal $\sim 1\text{\AA}$
- Wavelength of "hard" x-rays $\sim 0.1\text{-}1\text{\AA}$
- Laue therefore expected that interference patterns should be observed
 - ◆ And they were!
- Today, the Laue technique can be used to determine crystal orientation and assess crystal perfection from the size and shape of the spots

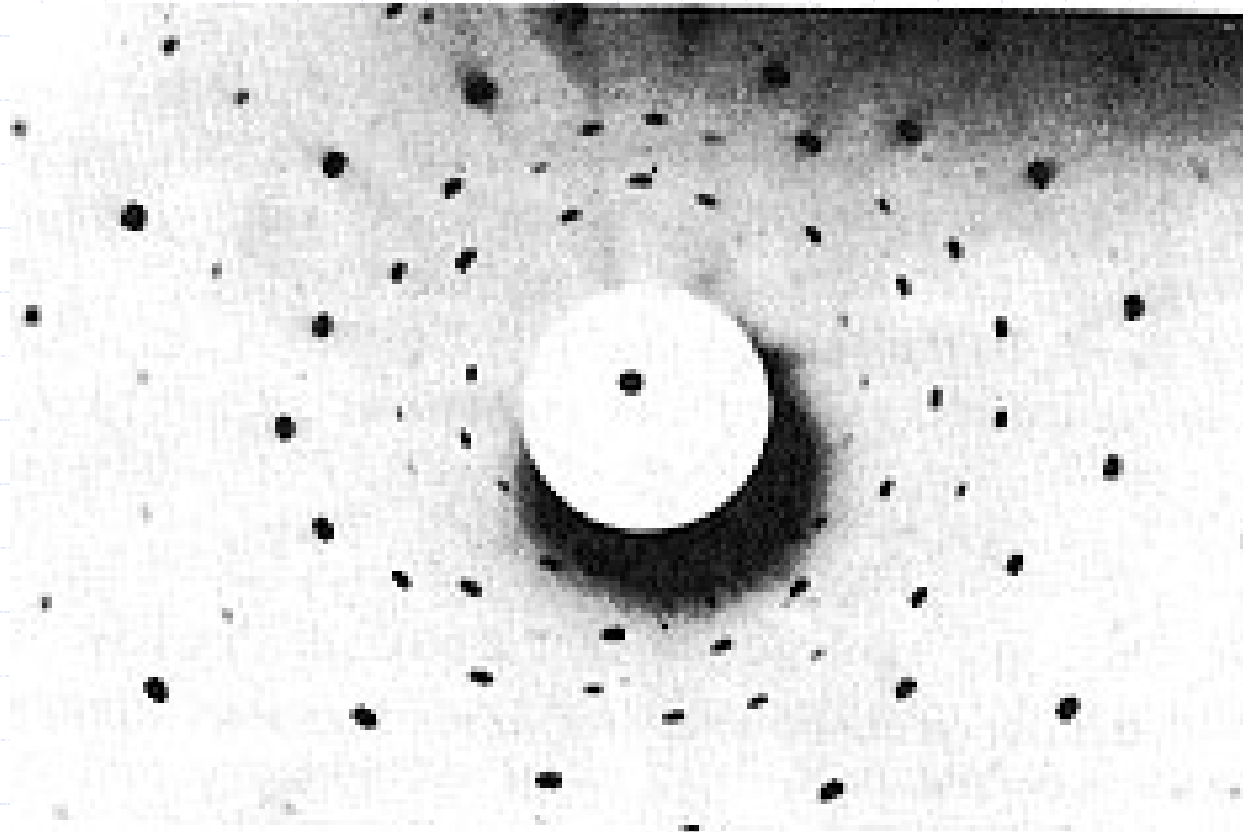
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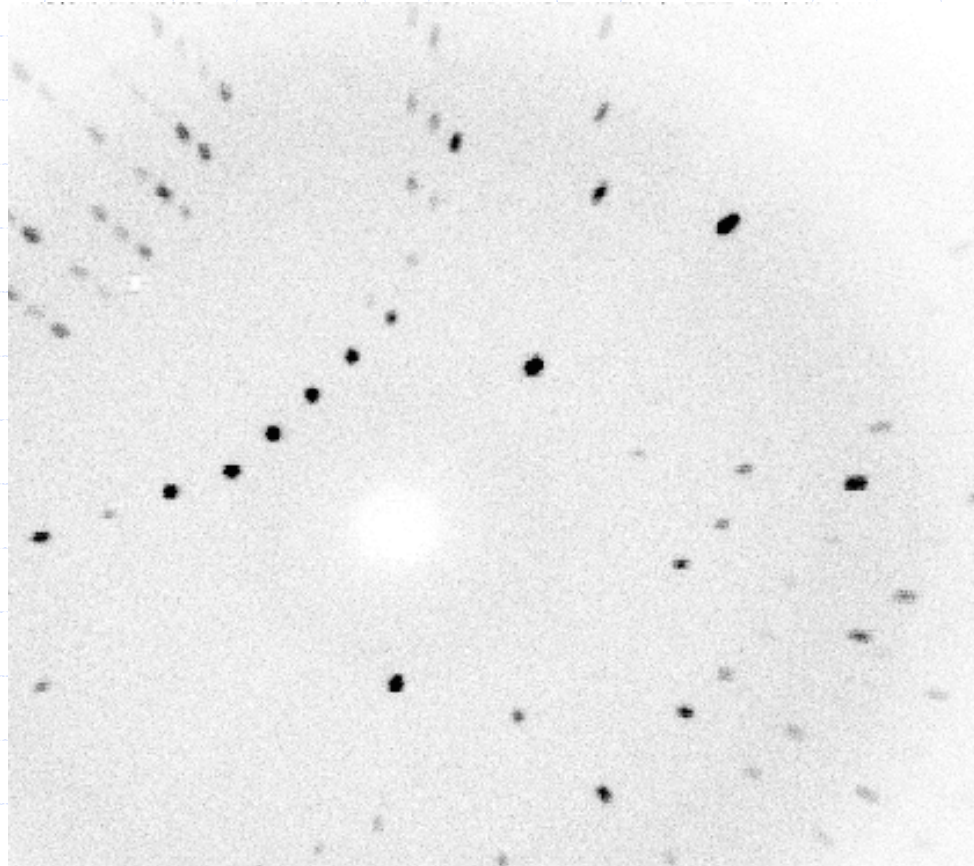
➤ Laue diffraction of salt



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➤ Whale myoglobin

- Of ~35,000 known protein structures, ~29,000 have been identified using x-ray diffraction



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ABSTRACT The Laue method (stationary crystal, polychromatic x-rays) was used to collect native and heavy-atom-derivative data on crystals of xylose isomerase (EC 5.3.1.5). These data were used to find the heavy-atom positions. The positions found by use of Laue data are the same as those found by use of monochromatic data collected on a diffractometer. These results confirm that Laue diffraction data sets, which can be obtained on a millisecond time scale, can be used to locate small molecules bound to protein active sites. The successful determination of heavy-atom positions also indicates that x-ray crystallographic data collected by the Laue method can be used to solve protein structures.

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➤ Powder diffraction

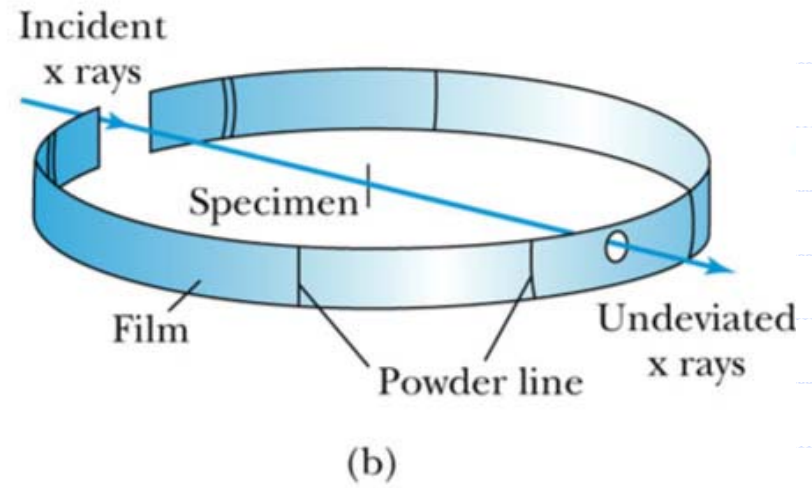
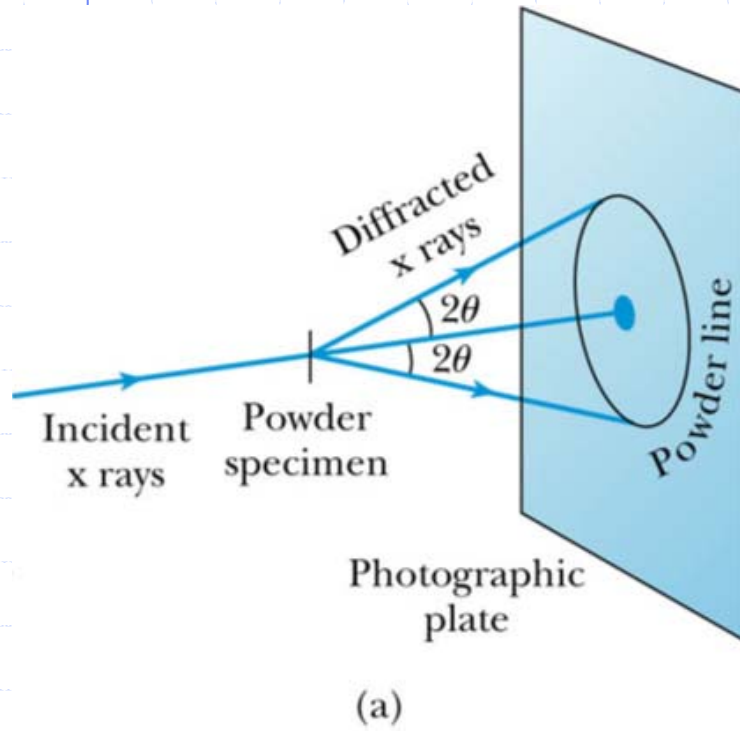
- Sometimes single crystals are not available
- Sometimes materials naturally occur in a polycrystalline state

➤ Using many small crystals

- Their orientation will be random
- At least a few of the small crystals in the sample will be in the correct orientation to diffract for each of the possible planes
- The resulting rings are called the Debye-Scherrer pattern

➤ The powder diffraction method is frequently used to fingerprint crystals via a large database

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- Debye-Scherrer pattern from powder diffraction for NaCl and KCl

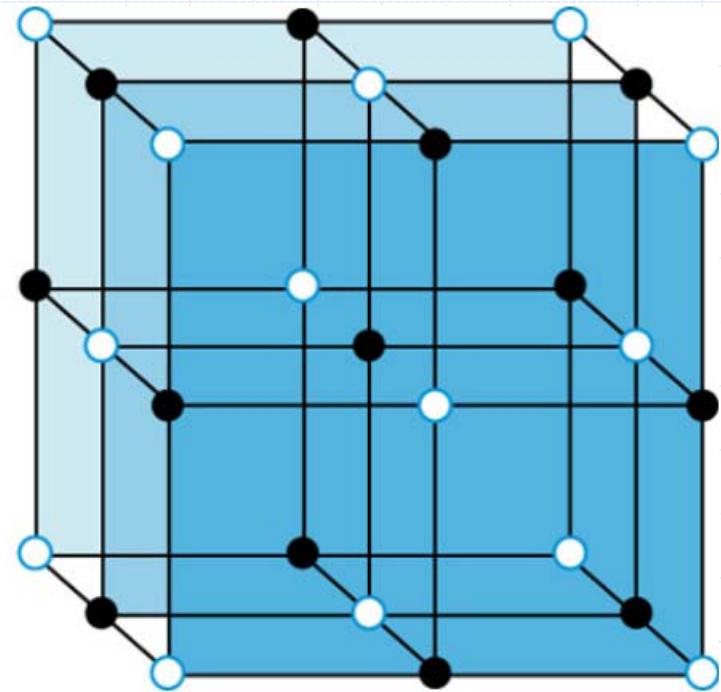
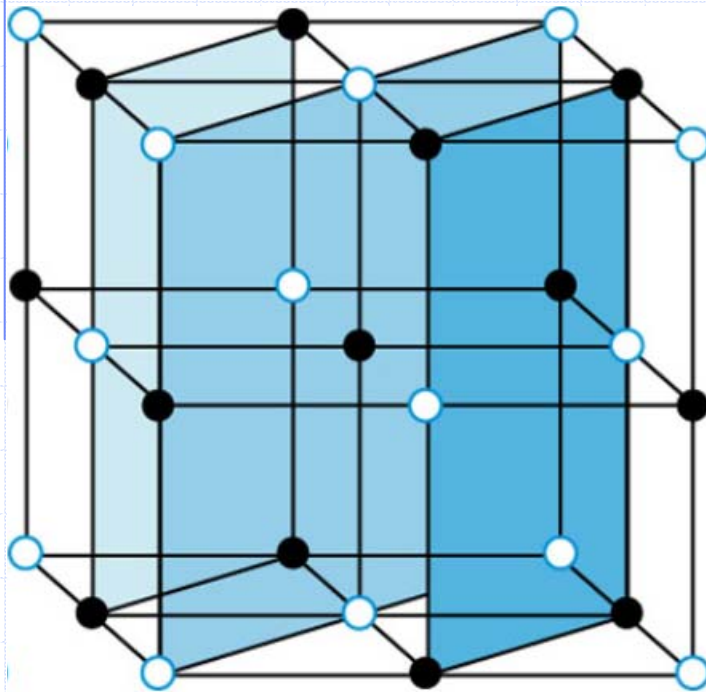


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- Bragg simplified Laue's three dimensional analysis by considering x-ray scattering as the reflection of the incident beam from successive lattice planes in the crystal
- If the scattered angle = incident angle (reflection), there is no phase change between the incident and reflected waves
- Waves scattered at equal angles from atoms in two different planes will constructively interfere if the path length difference is an integral number of wavelengths

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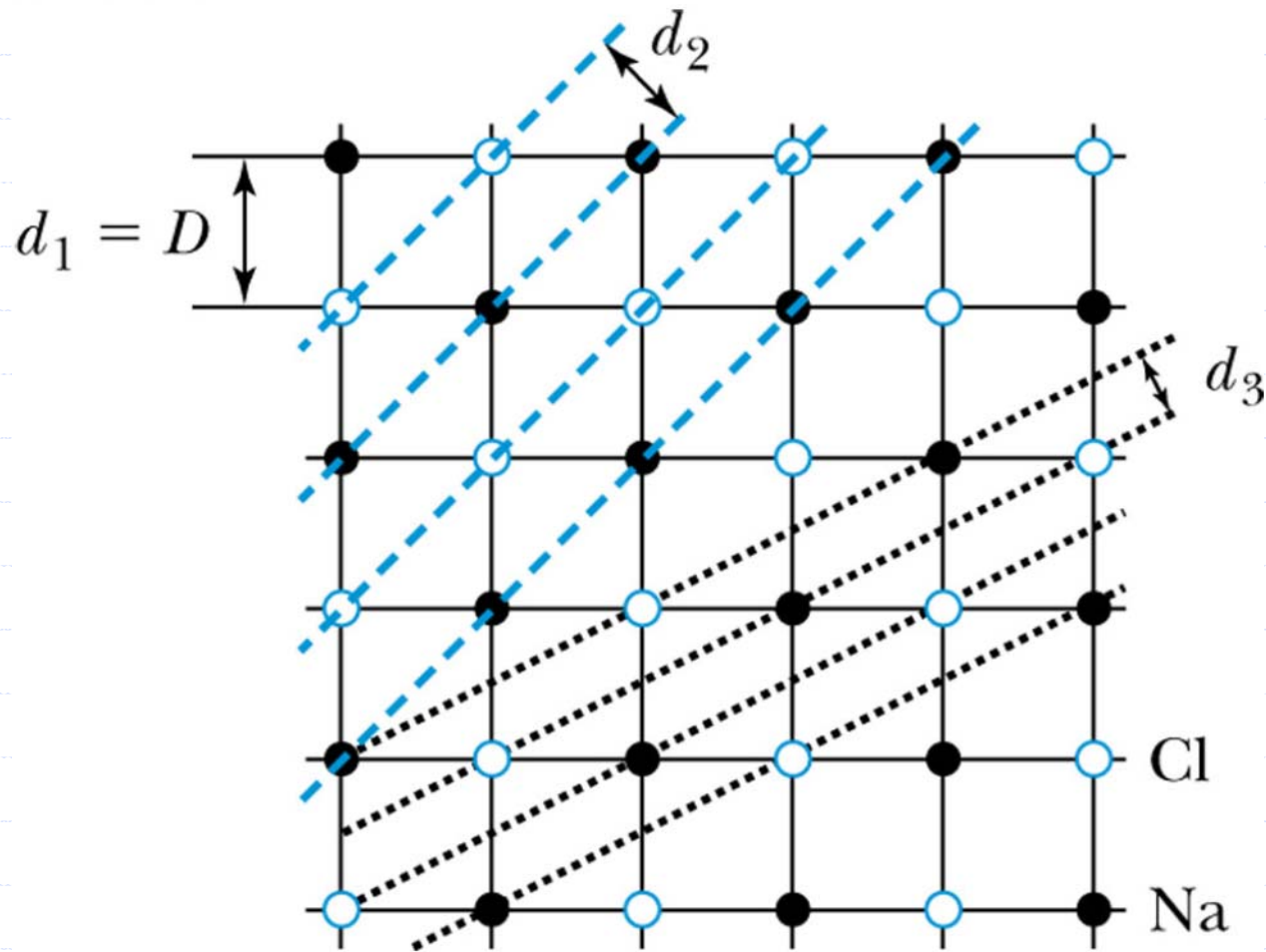
➤ Crystal structure of NaCl



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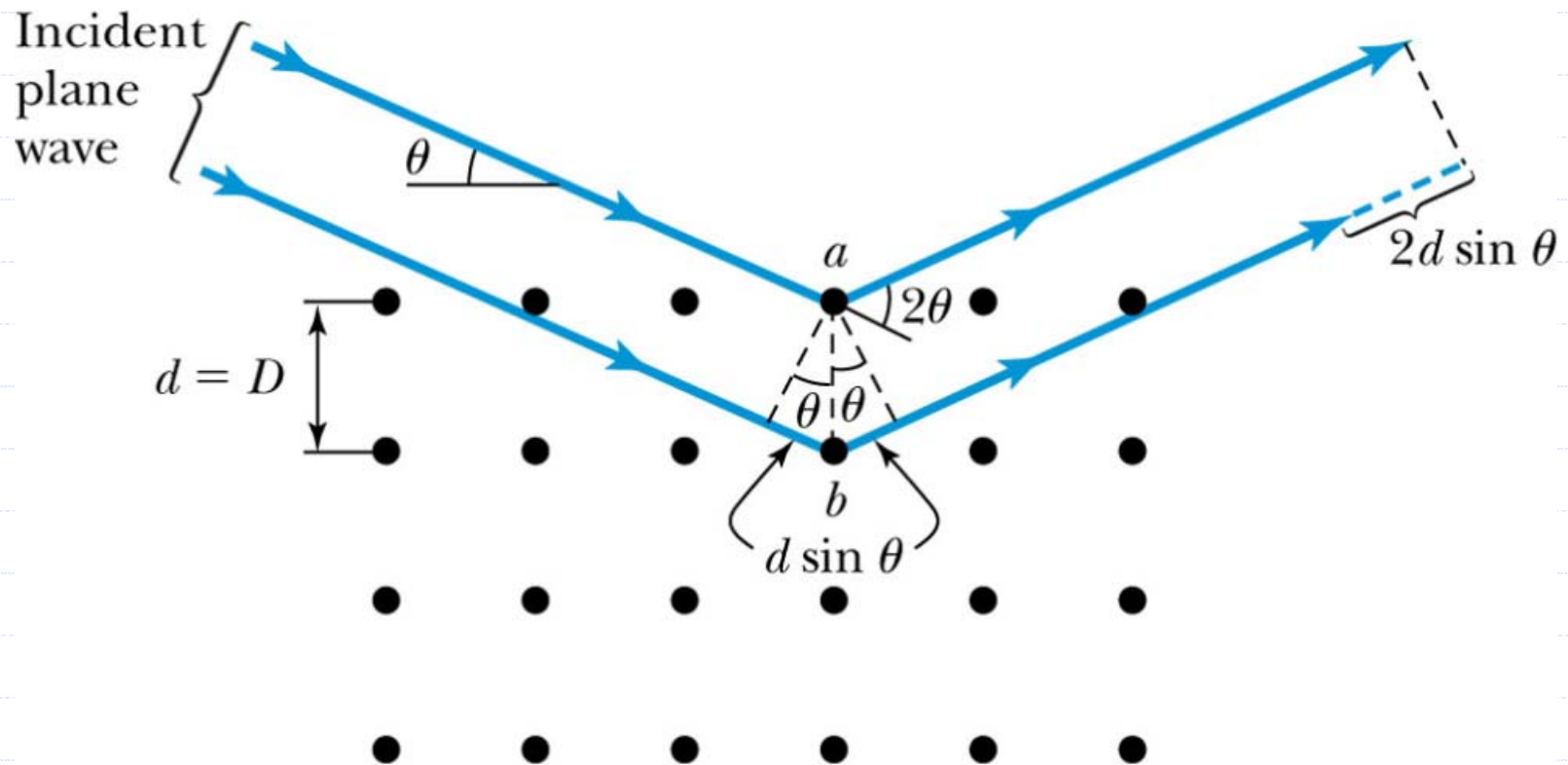
➤ Bragg condition

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

- The intensity pattern of the scattered waves of a known wavelength gives information about the structure of the crystal
 - The intensity pattern of the scattered waves from a known crystal spacing gives information about the incoming wavelengths
- Laue and Bragg scattering effectively started the field of solid state physics

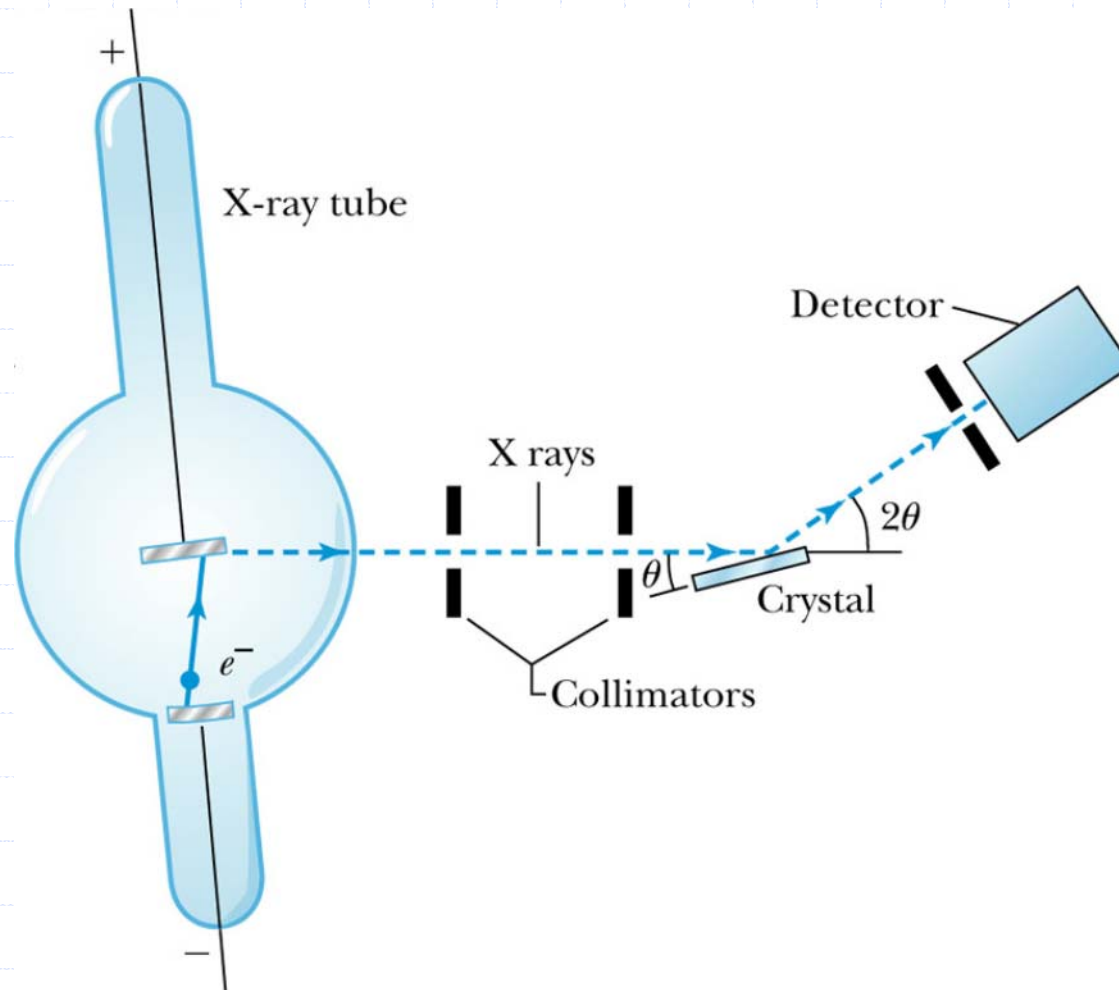
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Crystal structure of NaCl



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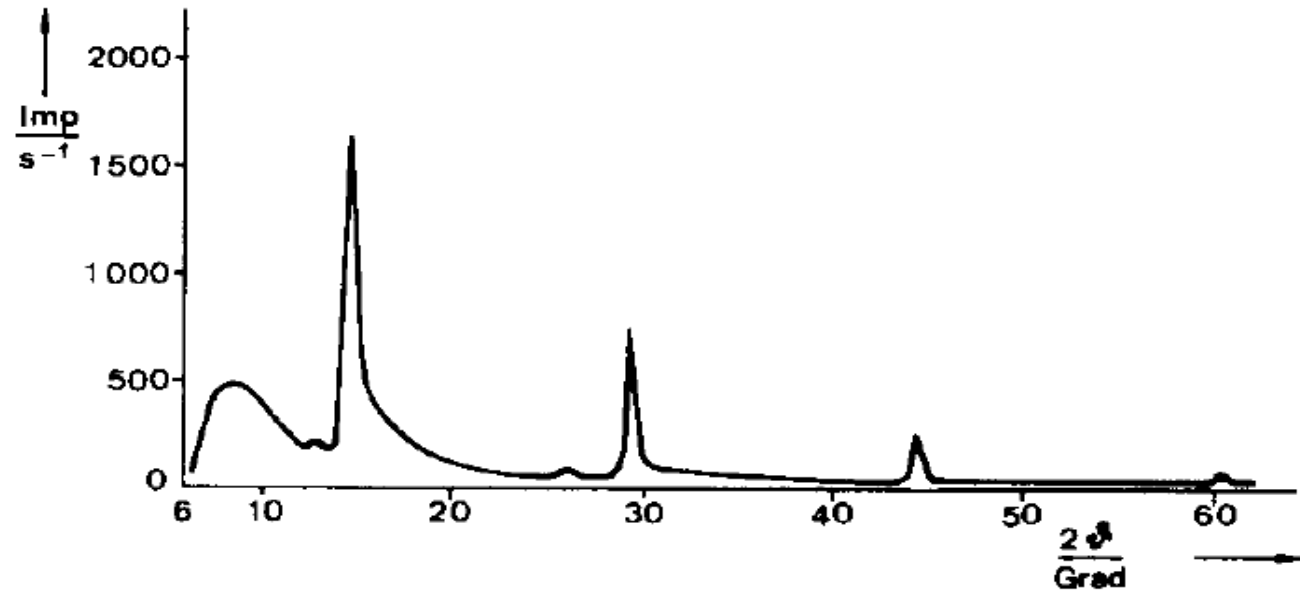
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➤ Bragg spectrum of NaCl

Intensity



2θ

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➤ To determine d

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

$$d = \frac{\lambda}{2 \sin \theta} = \frac{0.073 \text{ nm}}{2 \sin \frac{15}{2}} = 0.28 \text{ nm}$$

➤ To determine n

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

$$n = \frac{2d \sin \theta}{\lambda} = \frac{(2)(0.28) \left(\sin \frac{29.5}{2} \right)}{0.073} \approx 2$$

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➤ To check d

- The volume of one atom is d^3 for a face-centered cubic crystal

$$\frac{\text{molecules}}{\text{volume}} = \frac{N_{Av}\rho}{At} = \frac{(6.02 \times 10^{23})(2.16 \text{ g/cm}^3)}{58.5 \text{ g/mol}} = 2.22 \times 10^{22} \frac{\text{molecules}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

$$\frac{\text{atoms}}{\text{volume}} = (2.22 \times 10^{22})(2) \left(\frac{10^6 \text{ cm}^3}{\text{m}^3} \right) = 4.45 \times 10^{28} \frac{\text{atoms}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$d^3 = \frac{1}{4.45 \times 10^{28}} \frac{\text{volume}}{\text{atom}}$$

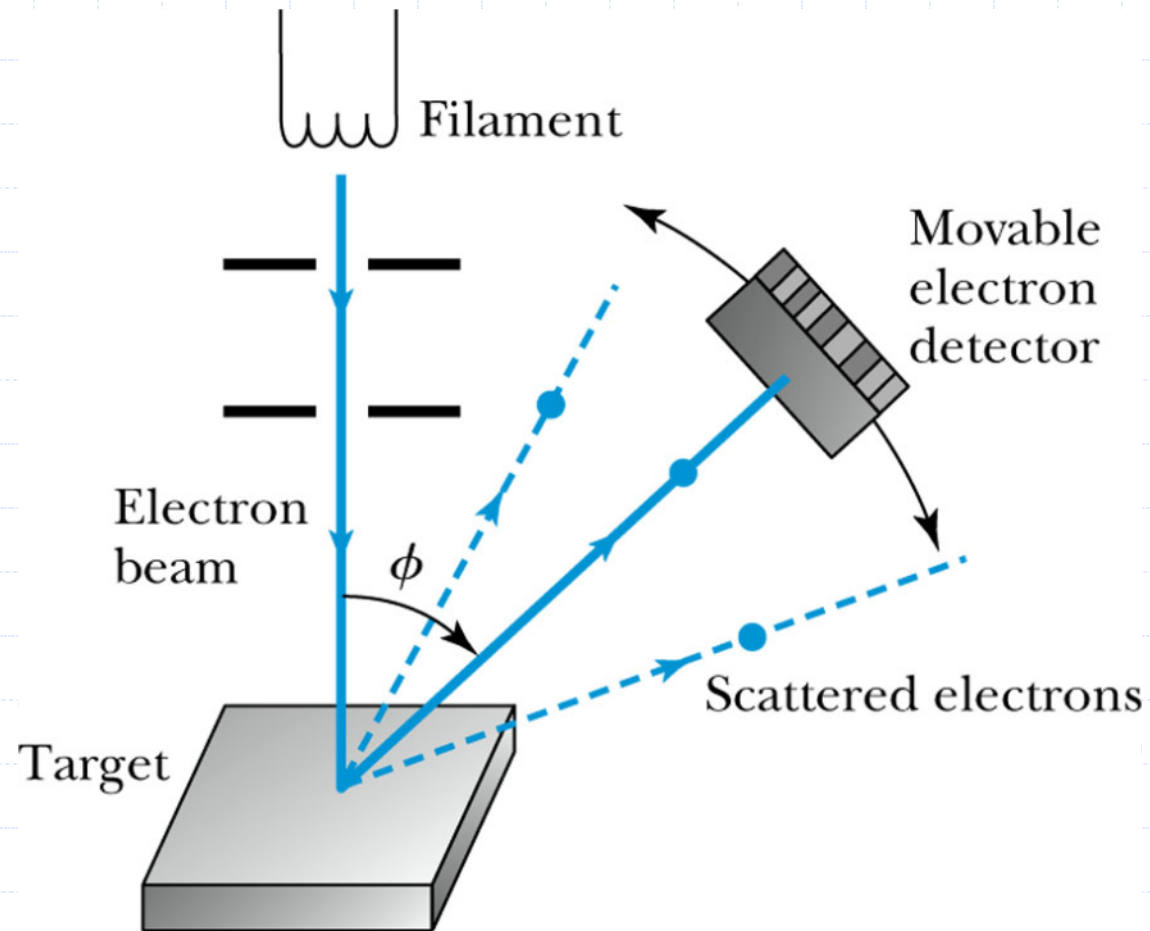
$$d = 0.282 \text{ nm}$$

Electron Scattering

- If x-rays of wavelength $\sim 1\text{\AA}$ produce an diffraction pattern when scattered off a crystal so should matter waves of comparable wavelength
 - For example, 50 eV electrons
- Davisson and Germer verified this (accidentally)

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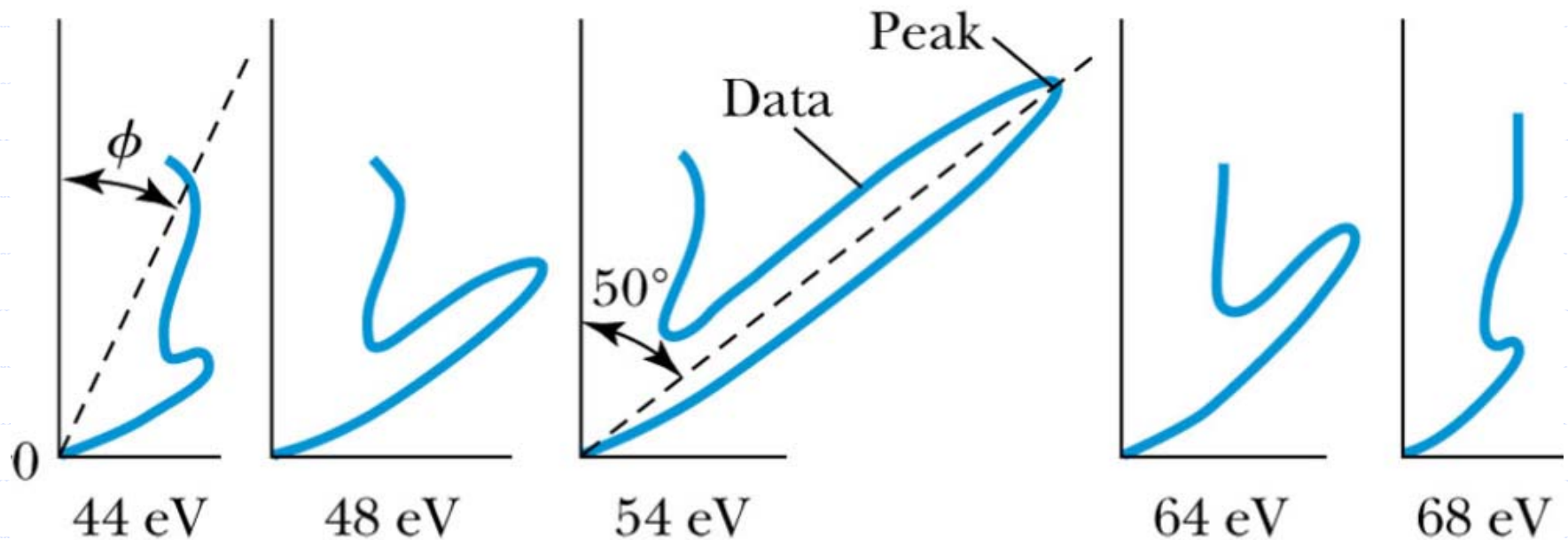
➔ Davisson-Germer experiment



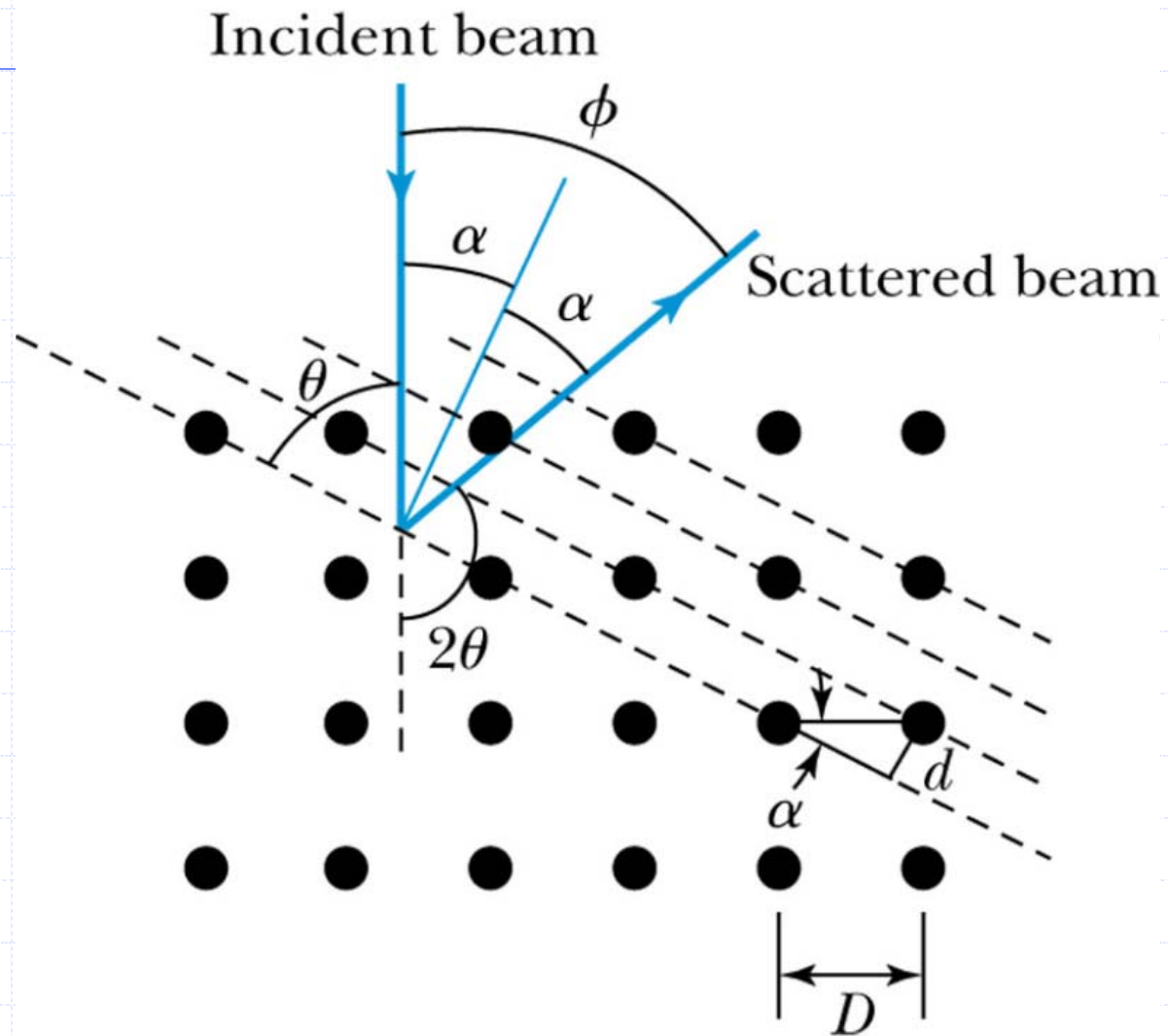
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➤ Davisson-Germer data

Intensity = radial distance along dashed line to data at angle ϕ



Electron Scattering



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➤ Bragg's law applies for electrons too

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

D - G measured $\phi = 2\alpha$, not θ

$$2\theta = \pi - 2\alpha$$

$$n\lambda = 2d \cos \alpha \text{ and } d = D \sin \alpha$$

$$n\lambda = 2D \cos \alpha \sin \alpha = D \sin 2\alpha = D \sin \phi$$

$$n\lambda = D \sin \phi$$

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➤ Analyzing the Davisson-Germer data

$$\lambda = D \sin \phi = (0.215 \text{ nm})(\sin 50^\circ)$$

$$\lambda = 0.165 \text{ nm}$$

The de Broglie wavelength for 54.4 eV electron is

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{hc}{\sqrt{2mc^2T}} = \frac{1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm}}{\sqrt{(2)(0.511 \times 10^6 \text{ eV})(54.4 \text{ eV})}} = 0.167 \text{ nm}$$

➤ Experimental evidence that electrons behave as waves with the de Broglie wavelength

Electron Scattering

➤ Aside, these results hold true for even a low intensity electron beam

- This means that the interference pattern does not result from interference between waves from two electrons, but from waves associated with a single electron

➤ Aside, diffraction patterns are also observed using neutrons, H, and He atoms

Electron Scattering

➤ Thomson observes diffraction patterns in electron transmission experiments similar to Laue's in x-ray transmission experiments



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