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*” X-ray Physics”*

*Cheiron School 2009*

*X-ray photons and matter*

*1. Scattering*

*classical physics*

*2. Absorption*

*Quantum physics*

# Electromagnetic radiation

mass · acceleration = force = charge · field

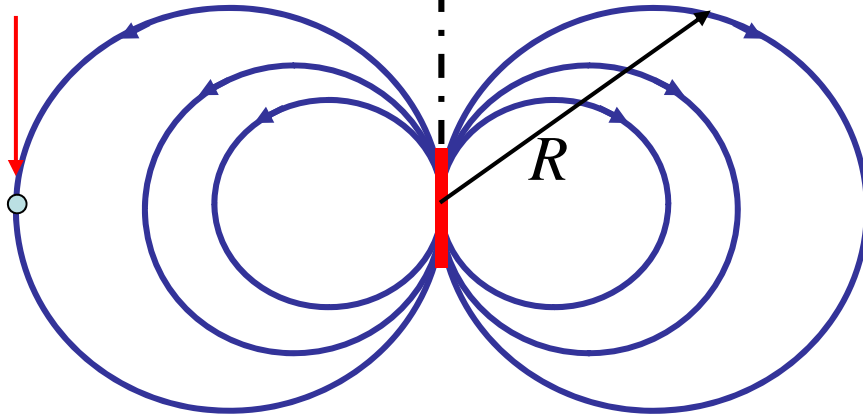
$$m \cdot acc = [-e]E_{in}(t - R/c) = [-e]E_0 e^{-i\omega(t-R/c)}$$

$$= [-e]E_0 e^{-i\omega t} \cdot e^{i(\omega/c)R}$$

$$= [-e]E_{in}(t) \cdot e^{ikR}$$

Along this line one does not observe any acceleration

Here one observes the full acceleration, but delayed in time by  $R/c$  !



$$\frac{E_{rad}(t)}{E_{in}(t)} = -r_0 \frac{e^{ikR}}{R} ;$$

$$r_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{mc^2} = 2.82 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ Ang}$$

Guess that

## Radiation from a dipole-antenna

due to the oscillating charge in the antenna

$$E_{rad}(R) \propto \frac{1}{R} \Rightarrow E_{rad}^2 \propto \frac{1}{R^2} \propto \text{energy - density} \Rightarrow \text{radiated energy} \propto \frac{1}{R^2} \cdot 4\pi R^2$$

$E_{rad} \propto \text{charge } q$  ;  $E_{rad}(R,t) \propto \text{observed acceleration}(t - R/c)$

$$E_{rad}(R,t) = -\frac{1}{R} \frac{-e}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{c^2} \cdot acc(t - R/c) ;$$

To get the dimension right !

$$e \cdot E_{rad}(R,t) = \frac{1}{R} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{acc}{c^2}$$

$$\text{Force} = \text{Energy} \frac{\text{m/sec}^2}{(\text{m/sec})^2} \text{ OK}$$

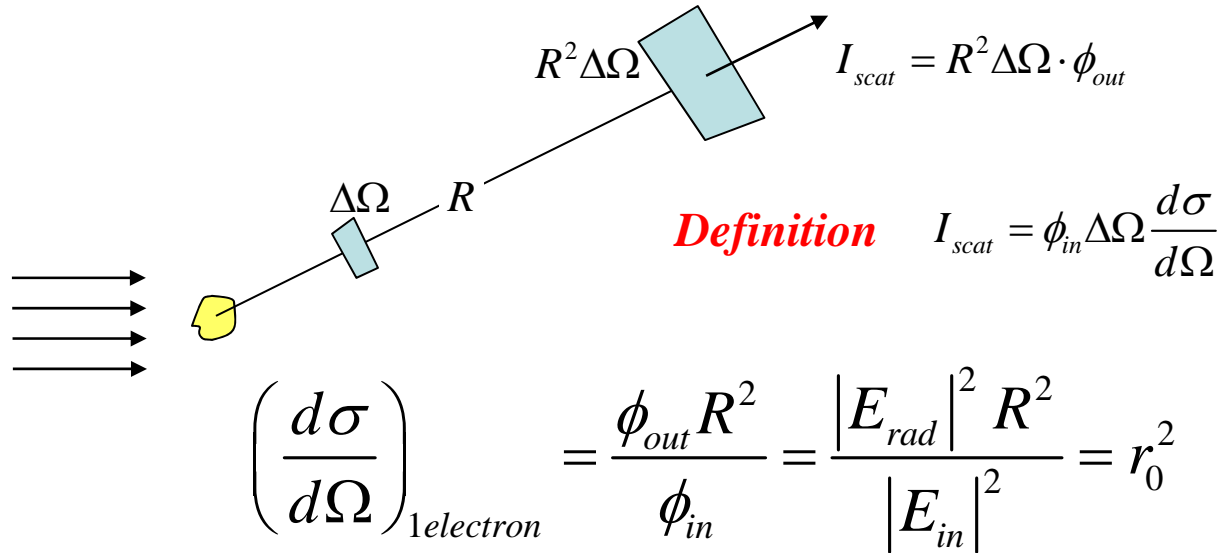
## *Definition of scattering cross section and flux*

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \quad \phi$$

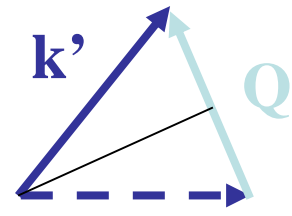
Particle flux  $\phi = \frac{ph / \text{sec}}{\text{cm}^2}$

Power flux  $\phi = \frac{\text{energy} / \text{sec}}{\text{cm}^2}$

$\text{energy} / \text{sec} = E \cdot \text{photons} / \text{sec} \Rightarrow \text{Power flux} = E \cdot \text{Particle flux}$



# Interference (mathematical)

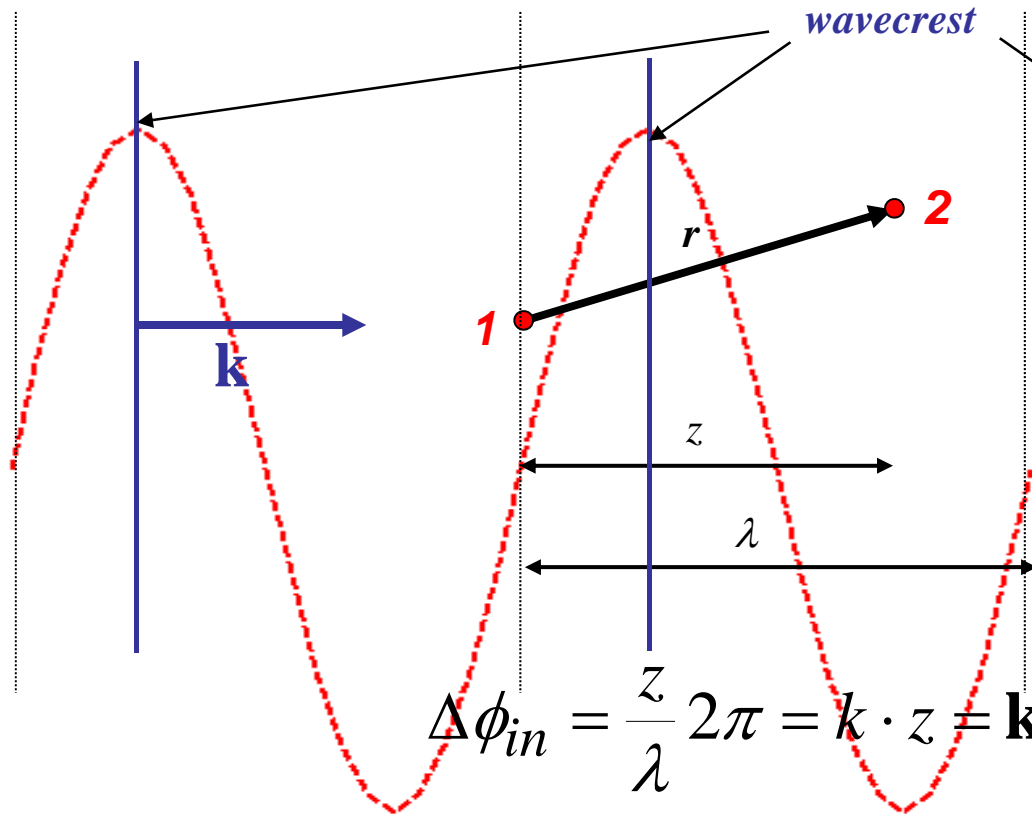


Phase

$0 \cdot \pi$

$2 \cdot \pi$

$4 \cdot \pi$



$$sc.ampl. = r_0 (1 + e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}})$$

1, 2 ... many

$$sc.ampl. = r_0 \sum_j e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j}$$

many

$$sc.ampl. = r_0 \int \rho(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r}$$

Number density

$$\Delta\phi_{in} = \frac{z}{\lambda} 2\pi = \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

as drawn #2 is behind #1 for "in"

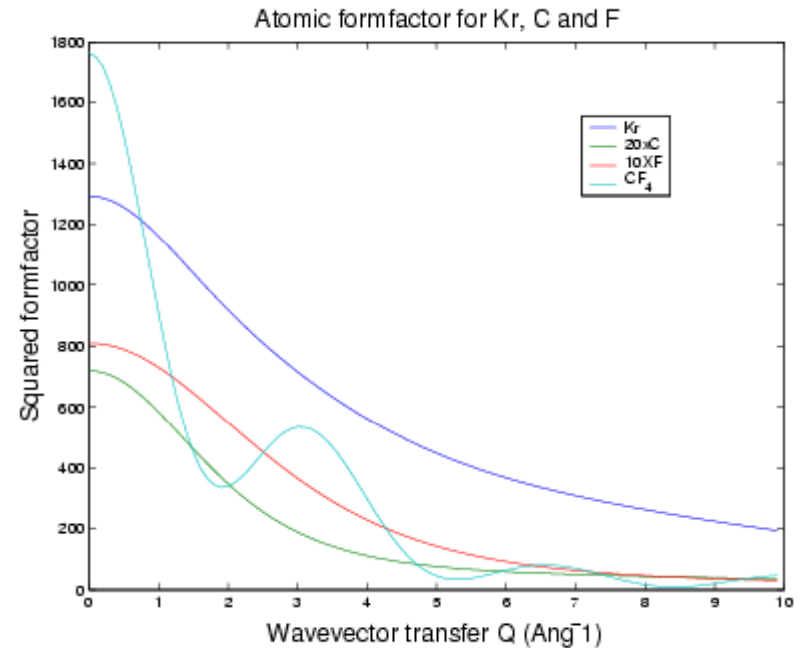
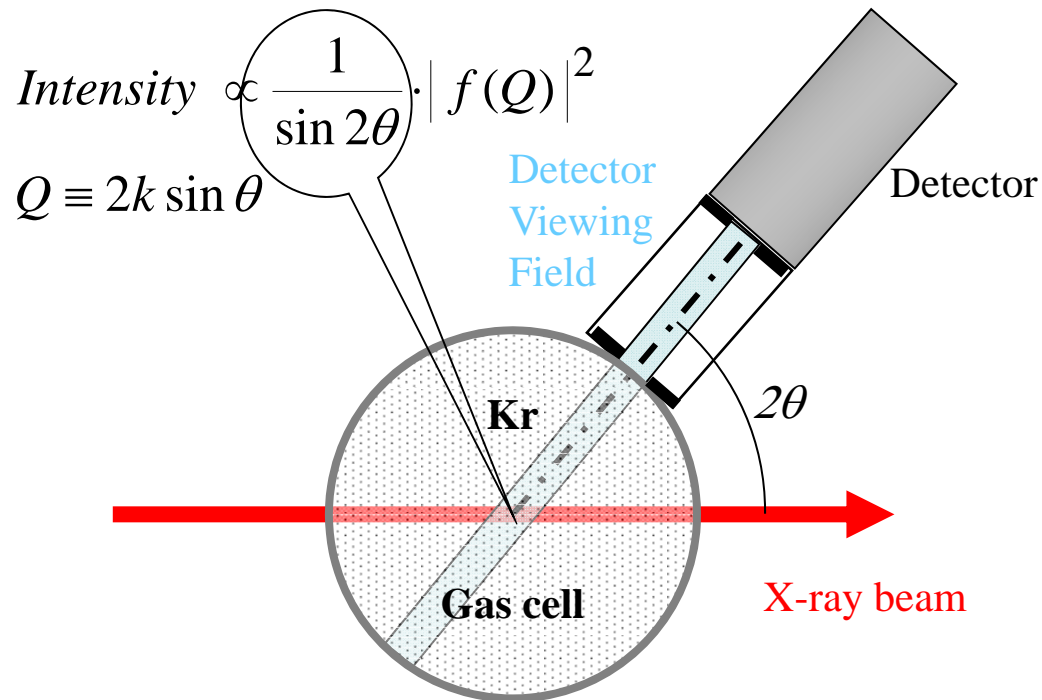
$$\Delta\phi_{out} = -\mathbf{k}' \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

but ahead for "out", therefore "-"

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$$\Delta\phi_{res} = (\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}') \cdot \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

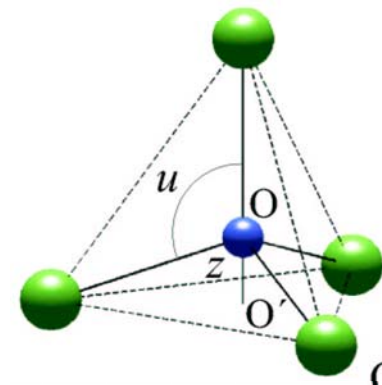
# Measuring atomic and molecular formfactors from gas scattering

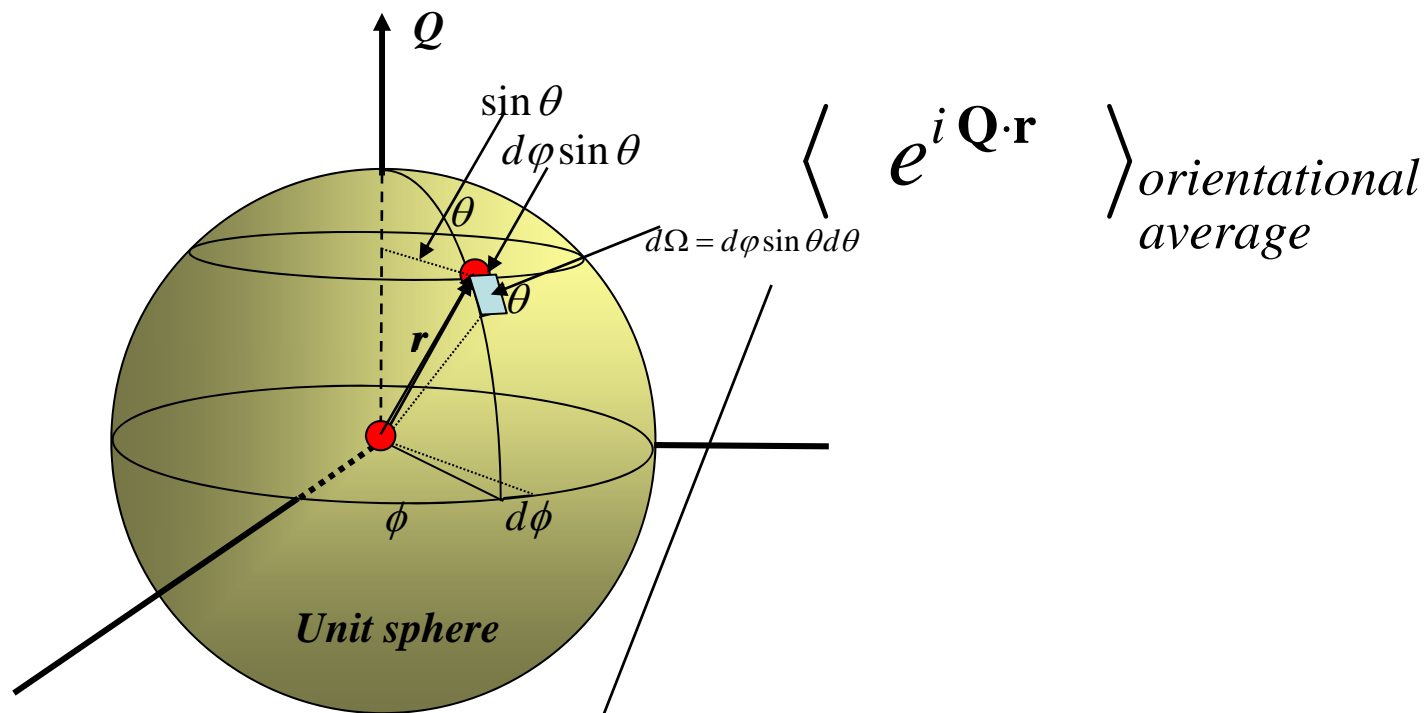


$$f_{atom} \equiv \int \rho_{el}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r}$$

$$f_{mol} = \sum_j f_j \cdot e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_j}$$

**Home work:** Verify (a few points) on curve for CF<sub>4</sub> when Q is parallel or antiparallel to a CF<sub>4</sub> bond (bond length 1.38 Ang). The CF<sub>4</sub> molecule is a tetraheder as shown. Prove first that OO' = 1/3 of the bondlength. Hint: "Elements of Modern X-Ray physics", Ch.4 p.115.





$$\left\langle e^{i \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \right\rangle_{\text{orientational average}} = \frac{\iint e^{i Q r \cos \theta} \sin \theta d\theta d\phi}{\iint \sin \theta d\theta d\phi} = \frac{2\pi (Qr)^{-1} \int_{x=-1}^{+1} e^{ix} dx}{2\pi \cdot 2} = \frac{\sin(Qr)}{Qr}$$

$$A_2 = f_1 e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_1} + f_2 e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_2} \quad ; \quad I_2 \propto A_2 \cdot A_2^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \{f_1 e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_1} + f_2 e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_2}\} \cdot \{f_1 e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_1} + f_2 e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_2}\} \\ &= f_1^2 + f_2^2 + f_1 f_2 e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)} + f_1 f_2 e^{-i\mathbf{Q}\cdot(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)} \end{aligned}$$

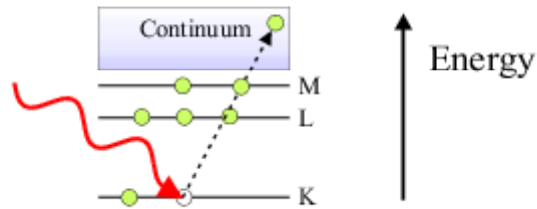
$$\langle I_2 \rangle_{\text{orient. average}} = f_1^2 + f_2^2 + 2f_1 f_2 \frac{\sin(Q r_{12})}{Q r_{12}} \quad \text{1,2 ... many}$$

$$\langle I \rangle_{\text{orient. average}} = \sum_i f_i^2 + 2 \sum_{i>j} f_i f_j \frac{\sin(Q r_{ij})}{Q r_{ij}}$$

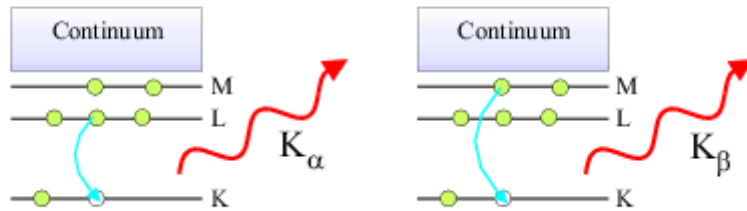
**Student :** look at the  $\text{CF}_4$  molecule as an example, and compare orientational average with  $\mathbf{Q}$  parallel to a C-F bond

# Absorption

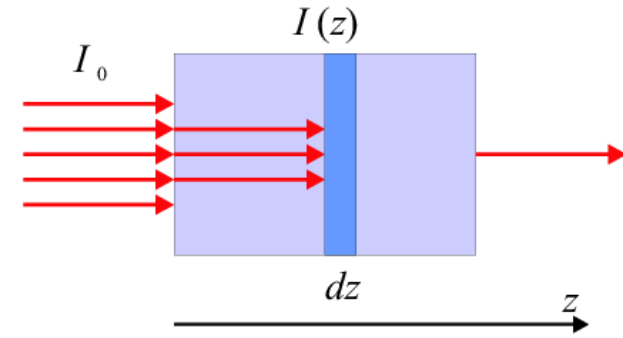
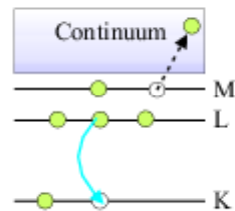
(a) Photoelectric absorption



(b) Fluorescent X-ray emission



(c) Auger electron emission



$$-dI = I(z) \cdot dz \cdot \mu \Rightarrow$$

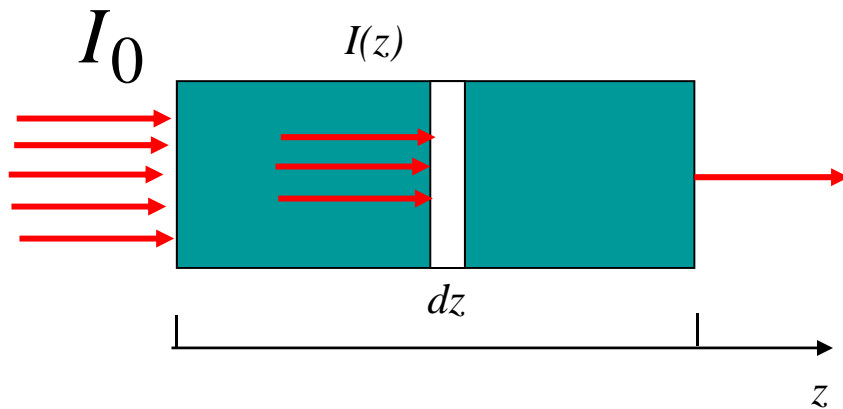
$$I(z) = I_0 \cdot e^{-\mu z}$$

$\mu$ (atomic number  $Z$ , photon energy  $\hbar\omega$ )

$$\mu(Z, \hbar\omega) \propto Z^4 \left( \frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \right)^3$$



# X-ray absorption



$$-dI = \mu \cdot I(z) dz \Rightarrow I(z) = I_0 \cdot e^{-\mu z}$$

$$\mu^{-1} \text{ - the absorption length: } \mu = \frac{\rho_m N_{Av}}{A}$$

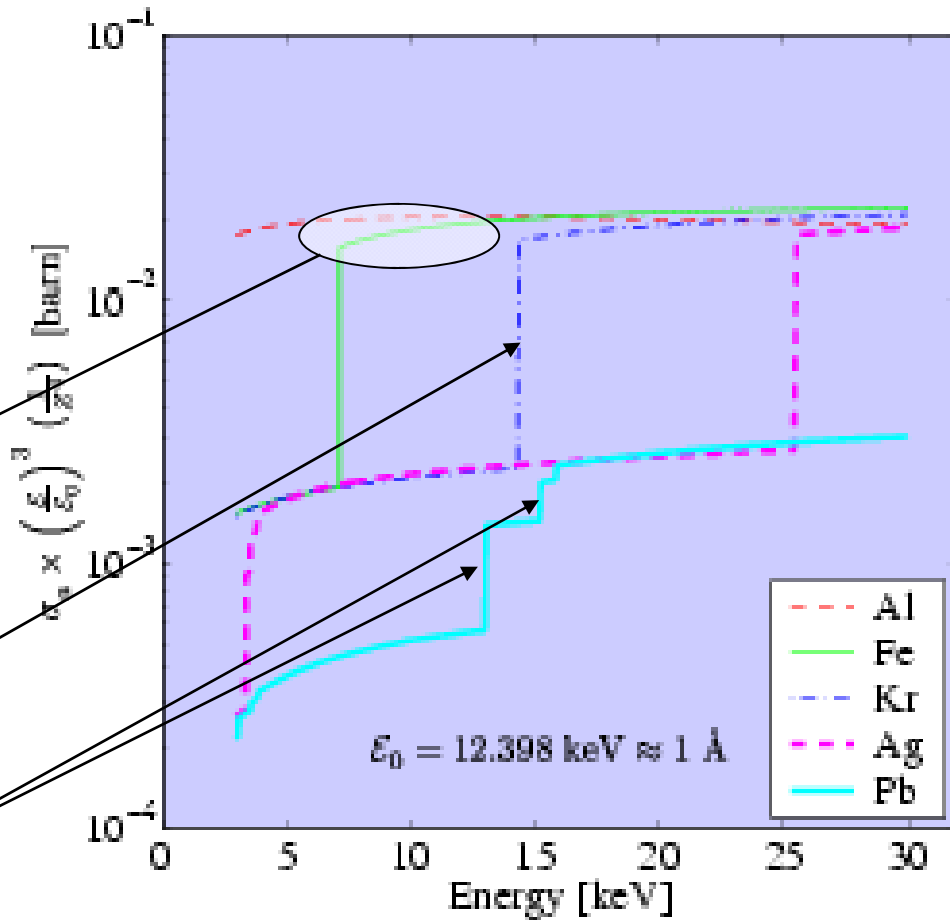
*Easy to measure  $\mu$  and thereby  $\sigma$*

*Fine structure occurs here in solids and liquids  
It is called EXAFS and contains information  
about distances to near neighbors.*

*K-edge for Kr is at 14.435 keV*

*L-edges for Pb*

$$\sigma_{abs}(Z, \hbar\omega)$$

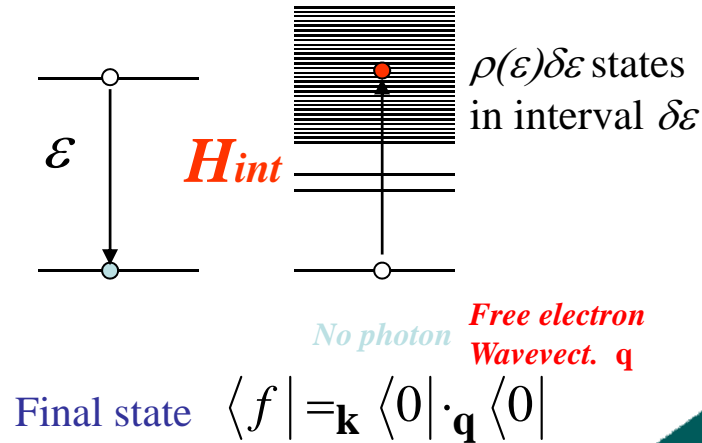
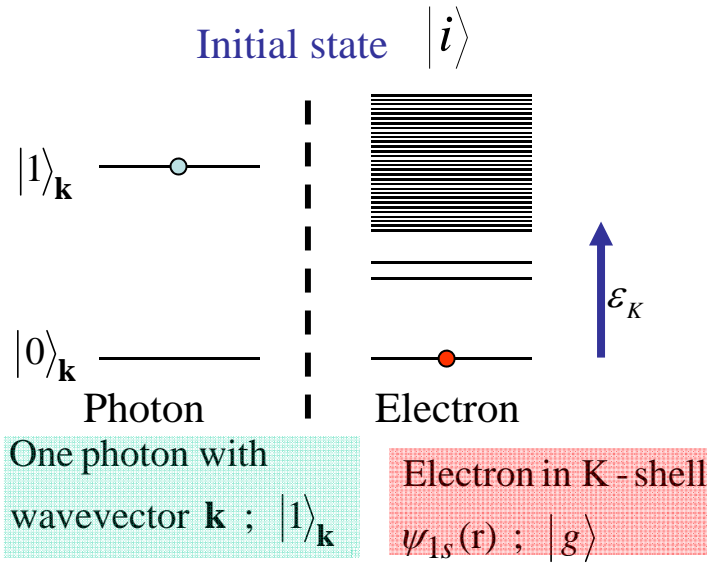


$$N_{Av} \text{ atoms in } A \text{ gram} \Rightarrow N_{Av} / A \text{ in } 1 \text{ gram} \Rightarrow \rho_m (N_{Av} / A) \text{ in } 1 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\rho_m (N_{Av} / A) dz \text{ in } 1 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ area of the thin slice}$$

# X-ray photon and electron in atom

With interaction between photon-field and electron transitions may occur

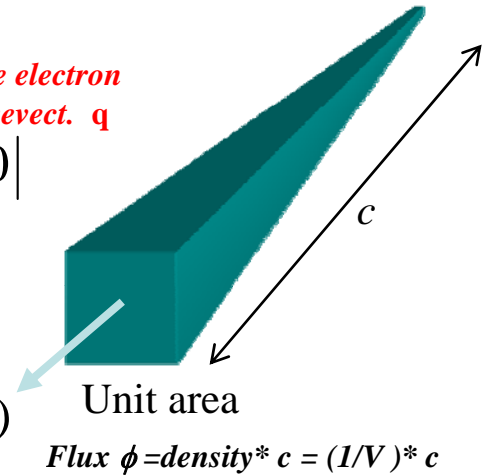


Reaction rate  
Fermi's "golden  
Rule"

$$W = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |M_{if}|^2 \rho(\epsilon) = \sigma_{abs} \cdot \phi$$

$$M_{if} = \langle f | H_{int} | i \rangle$$

$$= \sigma_{abs} \cdot (c/V)$$



Flux  $\Phi : c \cdot |\psi|^2$

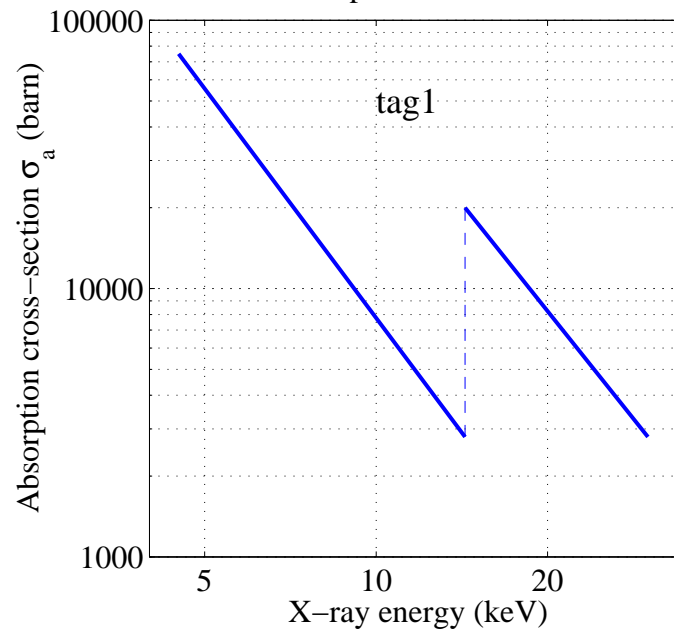
Intensity = Flux  $\cdot$  Area

$$I_{scattered \text{ thru } \Delta\Omega} = \Phi_{in} \cdot \Delta\Omega \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$$

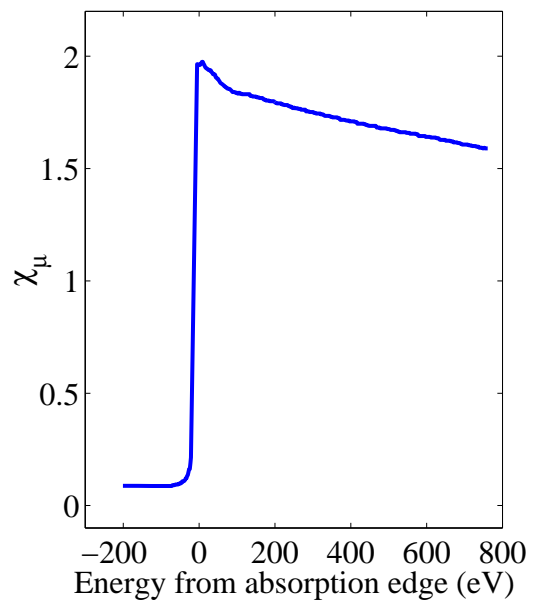
$$W_{absorption} = \Phi_{in} \cdot \sigma_{abs}$$

If  $\epsilon < \epsilon_K$  a K-electron cannot be expelled --> the K-edge in  $\sigma_{abs} (\epsilon = \hbar\omega)$

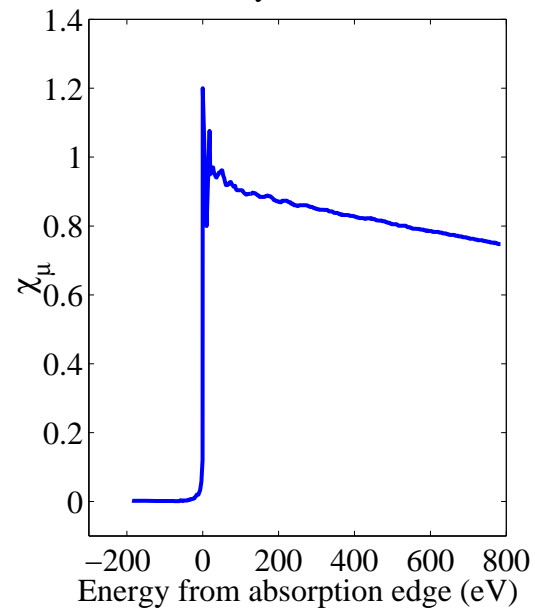
Kr absorption cross-section



Kr gas



2D crystalline Kr



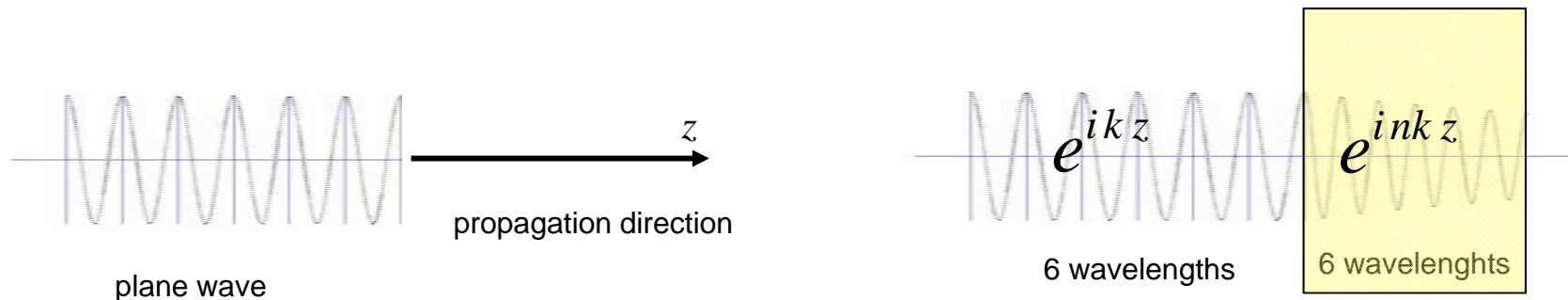
## *Reflection and refraction*

*How is the index of refraction related*

*to the 2 basic processes*

*1. scattering*

*2. absorption*



hitting an interface head-on

1. The wavelength changes from  $\lambda$  to  $\lambda/n$   
wavenumber changes from  $k$  to  $nk$
2. The amplitude decays  $\exp\{-(\mu/2)z\}$   
Intensity decays  $\exp\{-\mu z\}$

$$n = 1 - \delta + i\beta$$

$$inkz = i(1 - \delta)kz - k\beta z \quad \Rightarrow \quad k\beta = \mu / 2$$

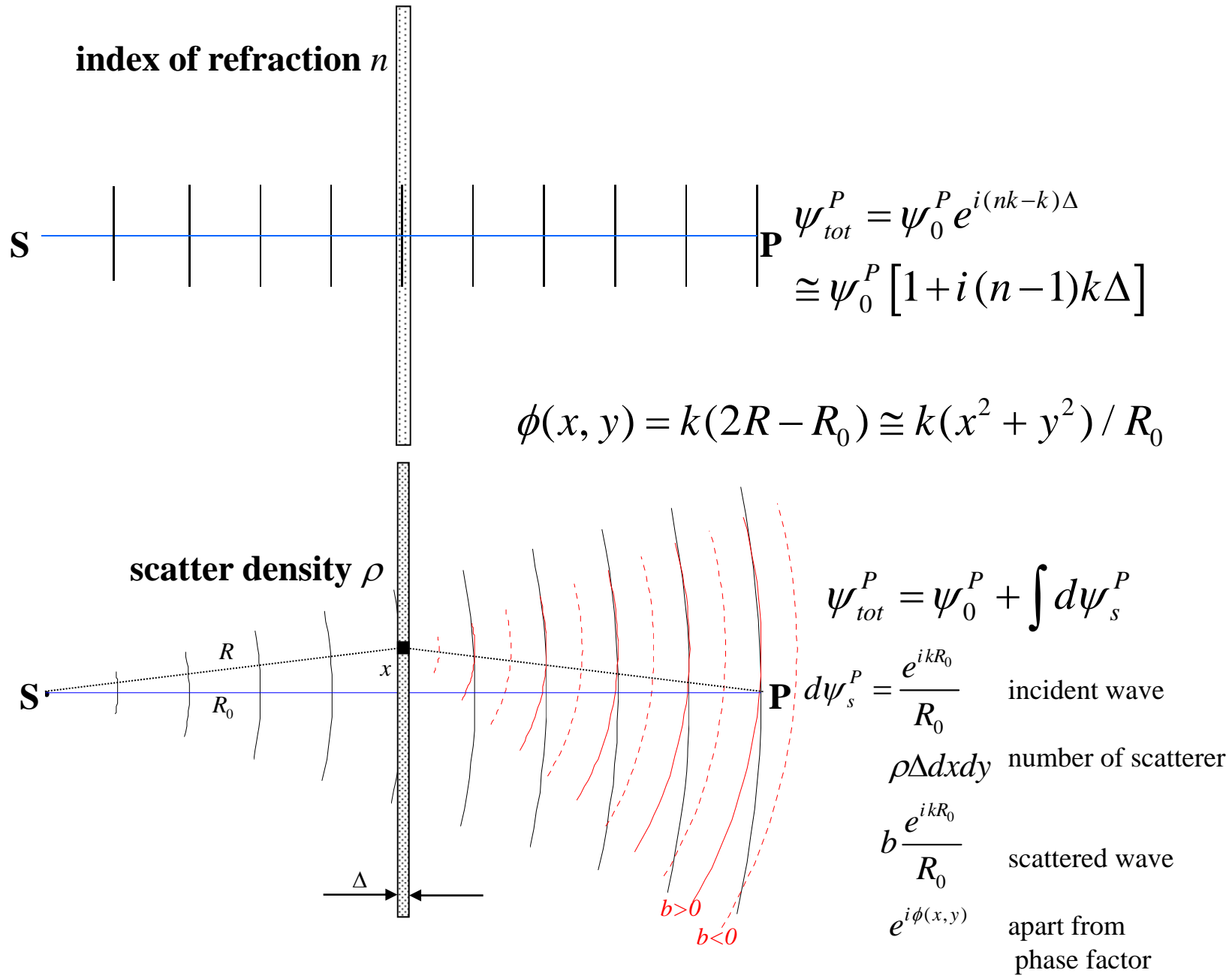
*i.e.* absorption

*to be proven*

$$\delta = \frac{2\pi}{k^2} r_0 \rho_{el}$$

*i.e.* scattering

# Index of refraction vs. scattering



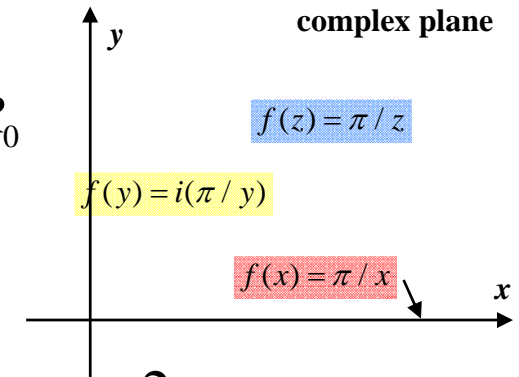
$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ik(x^2+y^2)/R_0} dx dy$$

$$f(\alpha) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\alpha(x^2+y^2)} dx dy = \int_{r=0}^{\infty} e^{-\alpha r^2} \pi dr^2 = \frac{\pi}{\alpha} \quad ; \quad \alpha > 0$$

If  $\alpha$  complex, OK by analytic continuation. Here  $\alpha = -i k / R_0$

$$I = \frac{\pi}{(-i)(k / R_0)} = i \frac{2\pi R_0}{k} \frac{R_0}{2}$$

$$\text{so } \int d\psi_s^P = \frac{e^{ik2R_0}}{R_0^2} \cdot b\rho \Delta \cdot i \frac{2\pi R_0}{k} \frac{R_0}{2} = \psi_0^P b\rho \Delta \cdot i \frac{2\pi}{k}$$



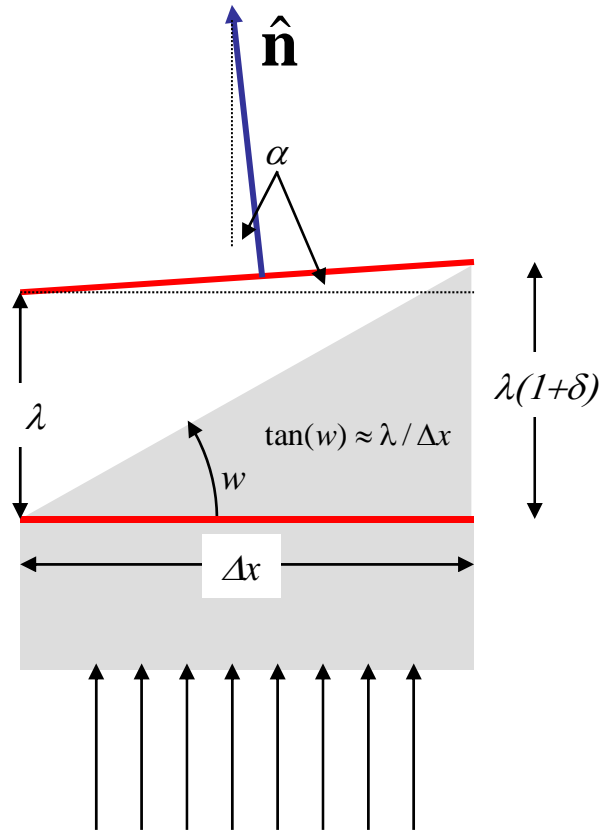
$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{tot}^P &= \psi_0^P \left[ 1 + b\rho \Delta \cdot i \frac{2\pi}{k} \right] \Rightarrow b\rho \frac{2\pi}{k^2} = (n-1) \\ &= \psi_0^P [1 + i(n-1)k \Delta] \end{aligned}$$

$n > 1 \Rightarrow b > 0$  scatter in-phase

$n < 1 \Rightarrow b < 0$  scatter out-of-phase

$$\text{X-rays: } n < 1 \Rightarrow b = -r_0 \quad ; \quad \delta = \frac{2\pi}{k^2} r_0 \rho_{el}$$

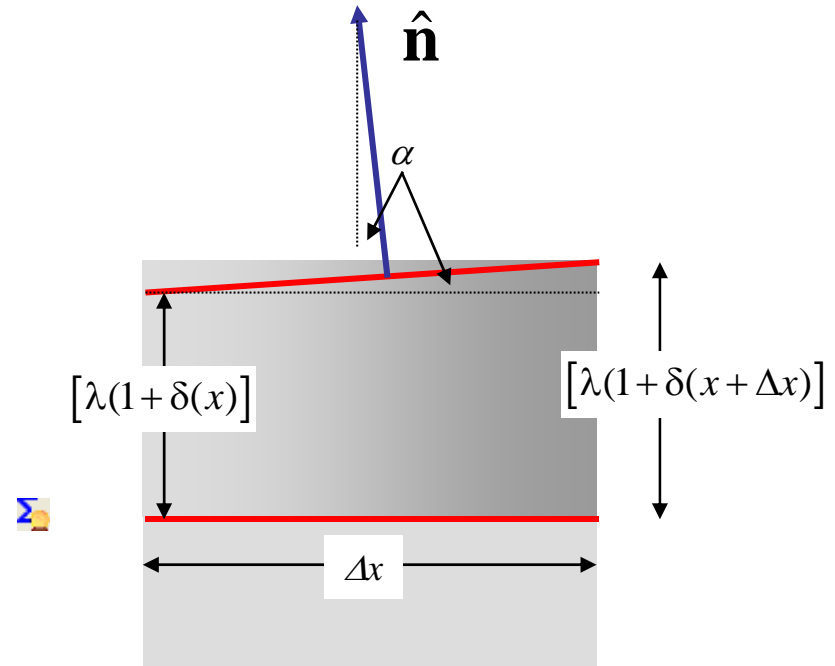
### Homogenous wedge



$$\alpha = [\lambda(1+\delta) - \lambda] / \Delta x = \delta(\lambda / \Delta x) = \delta \cdot \tan(w)$$

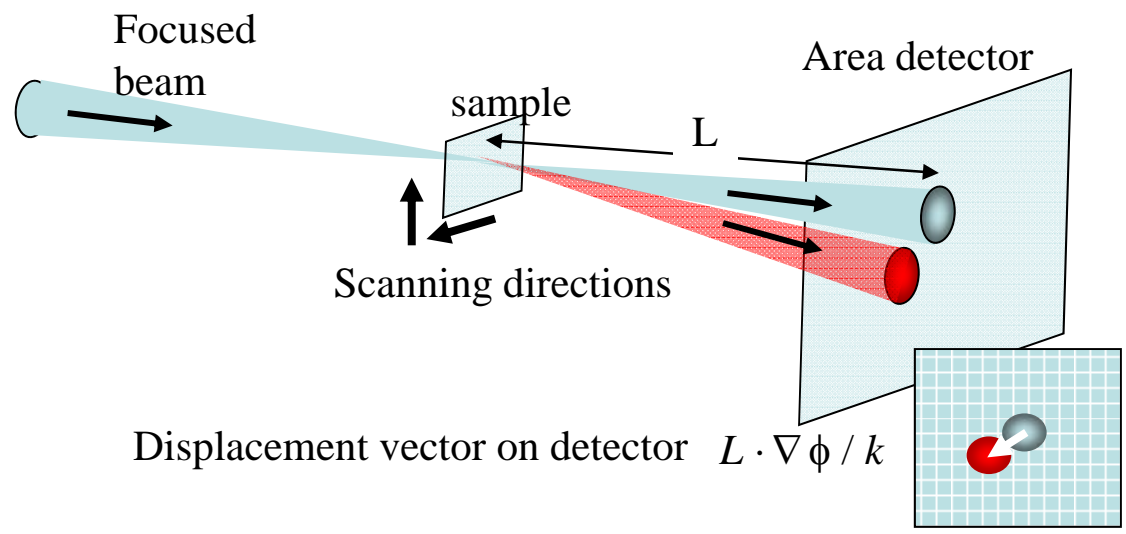
$\delta \approx 10^{-5}$  so the refraction effect is small

### Inhomogenous plate



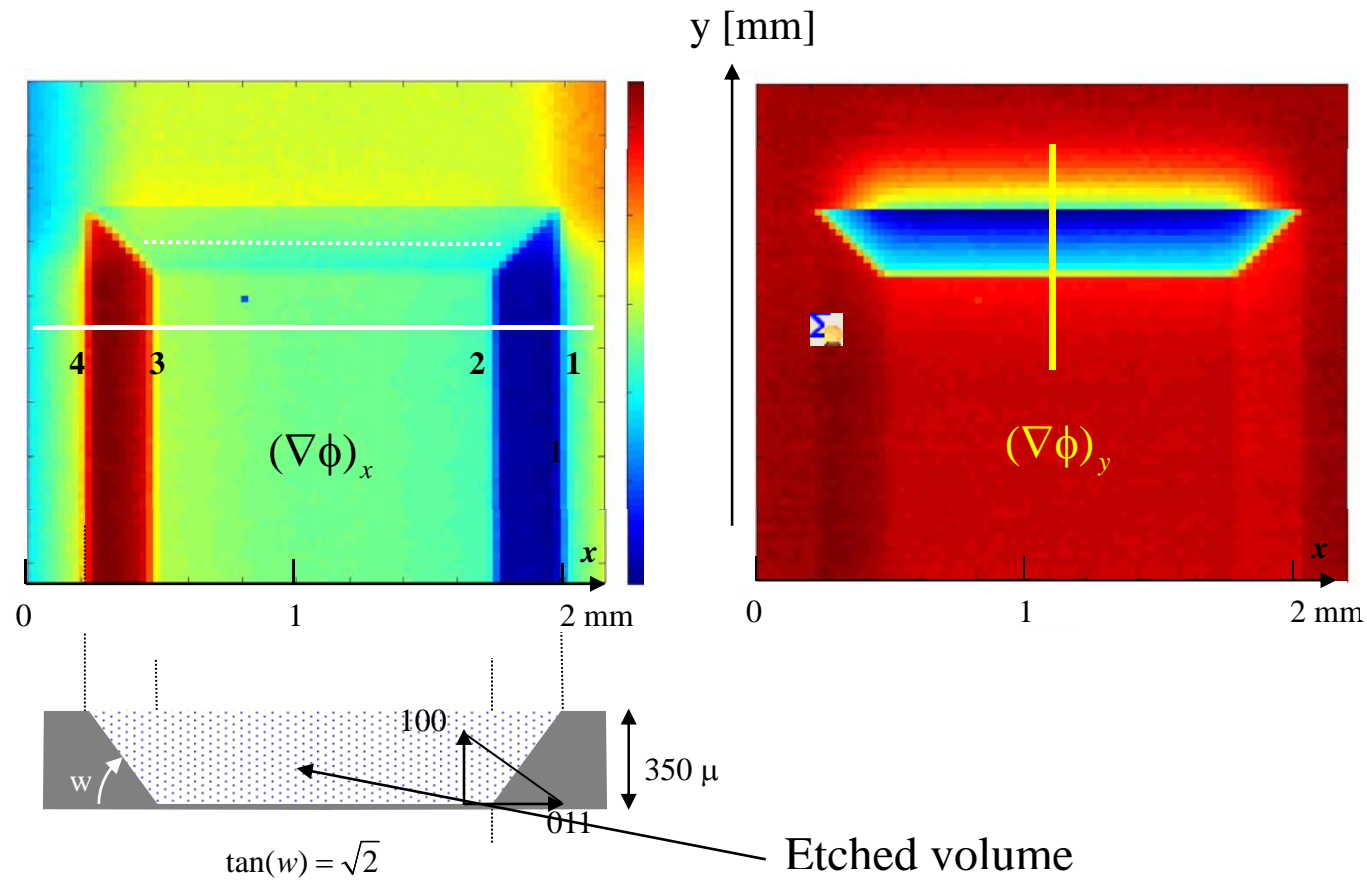
$$\alpha = \lambda \Delta x \delta'(x) / \Delta x = \lambda \cdot \delta'(x)$$



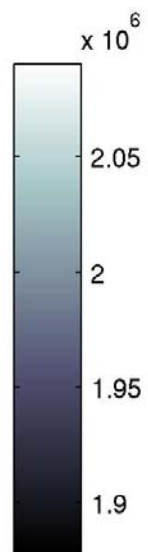
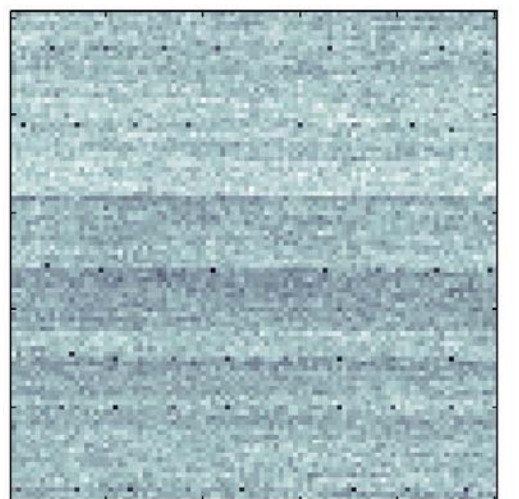


## Example : The "invisible" substrate

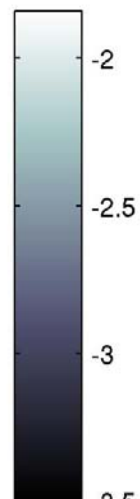
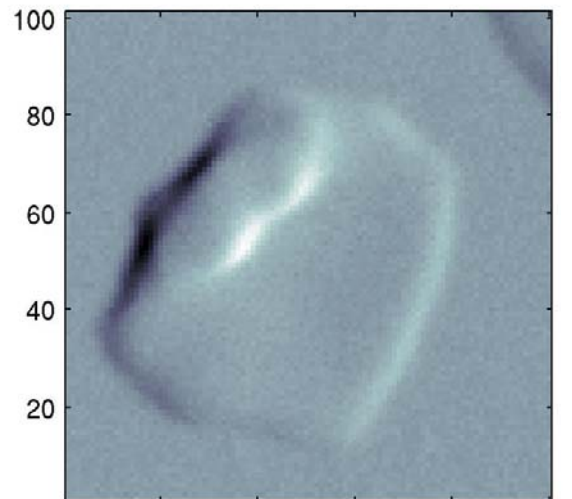
Si single crystal wafer, perfect. All scattering condensed in Bragg points.  
Make a thin area (thickness ca.  $10\ \mu$ ) in a  $300\ \mu$  thick wafer by etching



transmission #6561-6661

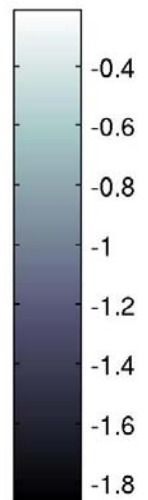
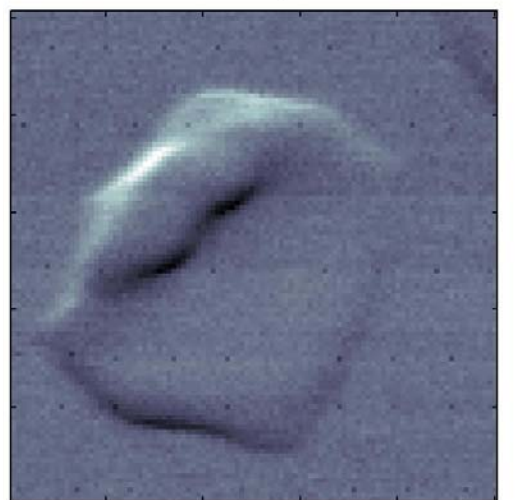


DPC x

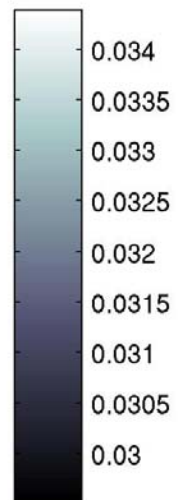
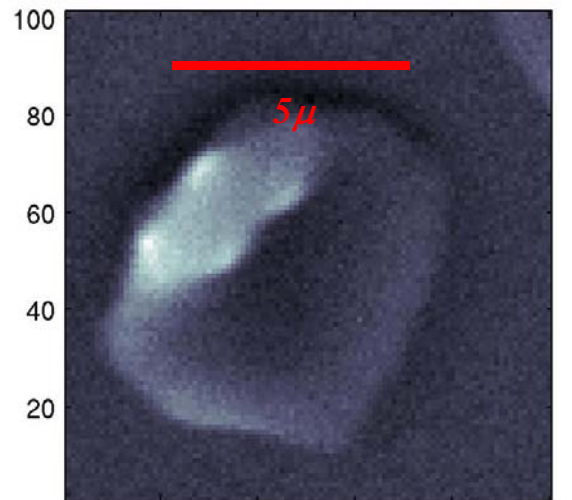


energy 6200 eV

DPC y



dark field

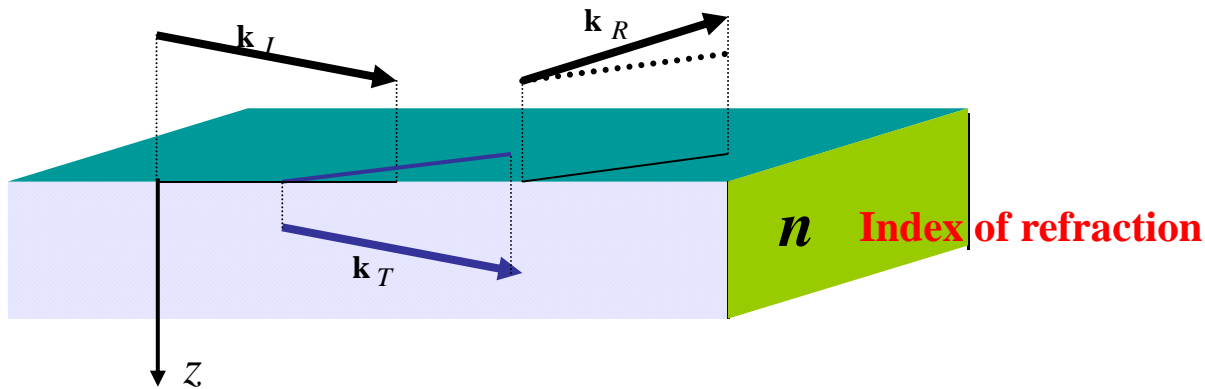


# Grazing incidence

Incident, reflected and transmitted plane waves have index  $I$ ,  $R$ , and  $T$

General wavevectors are shown below, BUT

- (i)  $z$ -component  $>0$  for  $I$  and  $T$ , and  $<0$  for  $R$
- (ii) In-plane components must be all identical by continuity condition
- (iii) Common in-plane direction is denoted  $x$ .

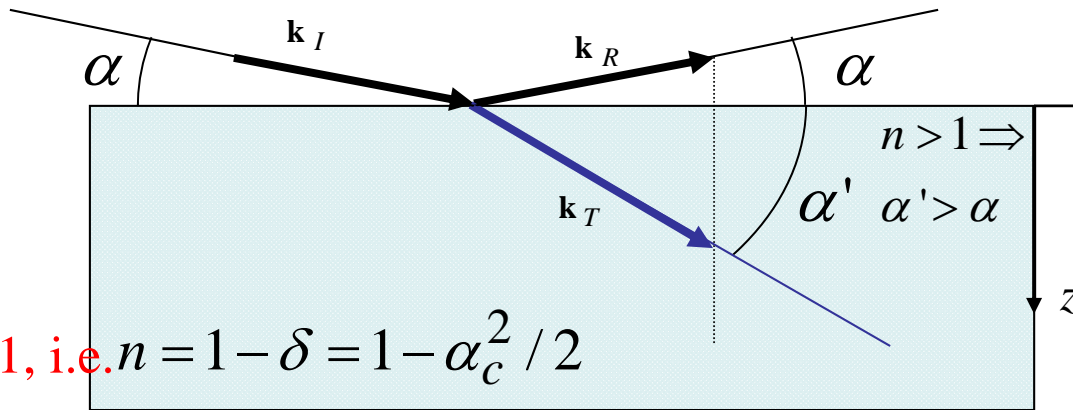


$$e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} = e^{i\mathbf{k}_{xy}\cdot\mathbf{r}_{xy}} \cdot e^{ik_z z}$$

Continuity at  $z = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\mathbf{k}_{I,xy} = \mathbf{k}_{R,xy} = \mathbf{k}_{T,xy}$$

simplification



If  $n < 1$ , i.e.  $n = 1 - \delta = 1 - \alpha_c^2 / 2$

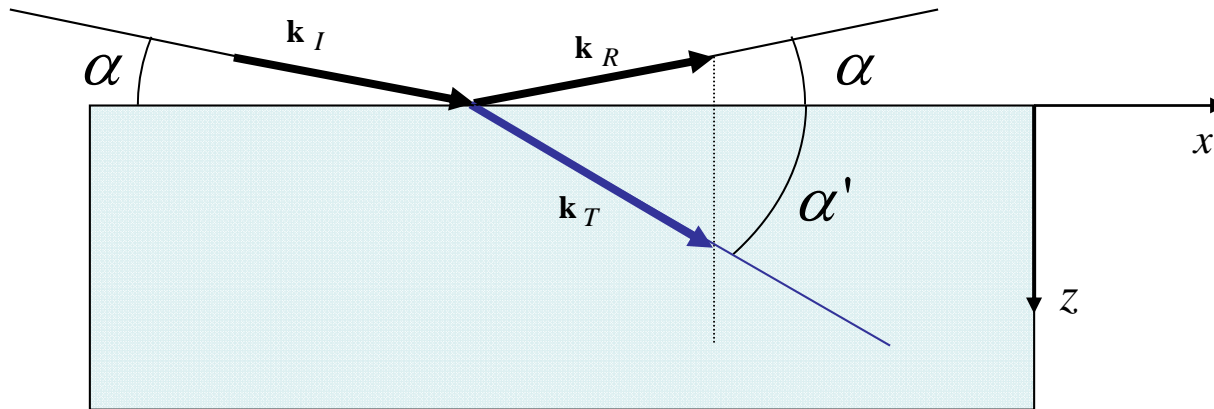
$$k = |\mathbf{k}_I| = |\mathbf{k}_R| \quad ; \quad n \cdot k = |\mathbf{k}_T|$$

$$k \cdot \cos \alpha = n k \cos \alpha'$$

Small angles

$$\alpha^2 = \alpha'^2 + \alpha_c^2$$

Amplitudes are denoted  $a_I, a_R,$  and  $a_T$



Small angles

$$\alpha^2 = \alpha'^2 + \alpha_c^2$$

Snell's law

$$|\mathbf{k}_I| \sin \alpha \cong k\alpha \text{ etc.}$$

$$\psi(0,0,0) = a_I + a_R \stackrel{\text{continuity}}{=} a_T$$

above                      below

$$\left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0} = (ik\alpha)a_I - (ik\alpha)a_R \stackrel{\text{continuity}}{=} (ink\alpha')a_T$$

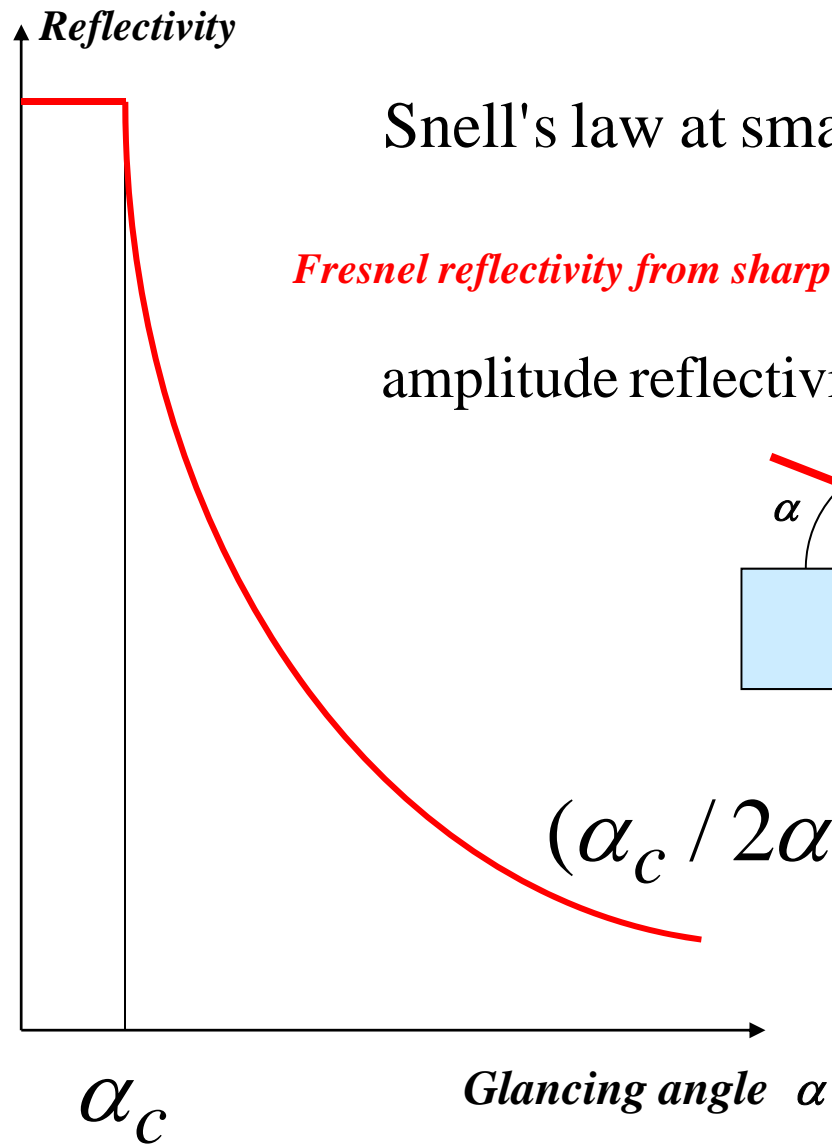
above                      below

$$(a_I - a_R)\alpha = n(a_I + a_R)\alpha' \cong (a_I + a_R)\alpha'$$

Fresnel's law(s)

$$\frac{a_R}{a_I} = \frac{(\alpha - \alpha')}{(\alpha + \alpha')} \quad ; \quad \frac{a_T}{a_I} = \frac{2\alpha}{(\alpha + \alpha')}$$

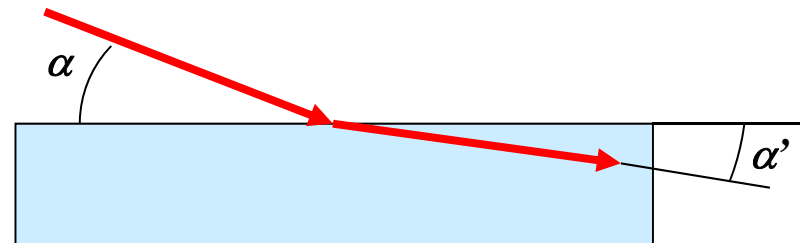
$$\psi = a e^{ik_z z} = a e^{ik\alpha z} \Rightarrow \left[ \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} \right]_{z=0} = a (ik\alpha) e^{ik\alpha \cdot 0}$$



Snell's law at small angles:  $\alpha^2 = \alpha'^2 + \alpha_c^2$

*Fresnel reflectivity from sharp interface*

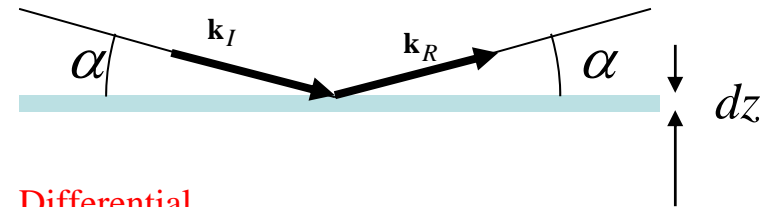
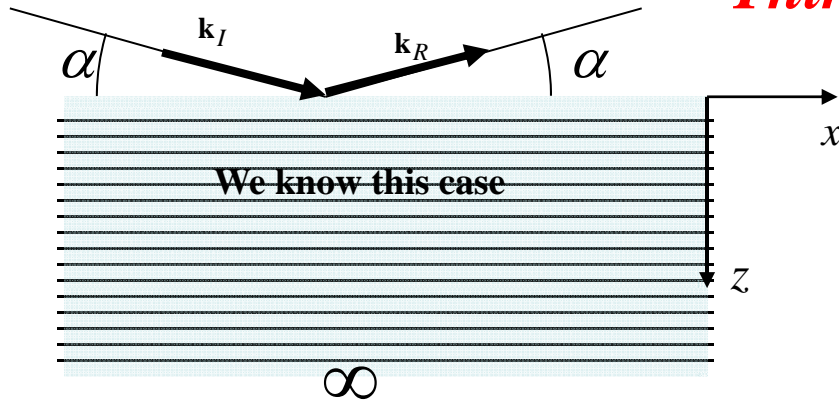
amplitude reflectivity :  $r = \frac{\alpha - \alpha'}{\alpha + \alpha'}$



$(\alpha_c / 2\alpha)^4$  asymptotically

$$\alpha_c = \lambda \sqrt{\rho_{el} \cdot r_0 / \pi} \quad \text{where } r_0 = \frac{e^2}{mc^2} = 2.82 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ Ang}$$

# Thin plate reflectivity



Differential Reflectivity

$$dr \propto \rho \cdot r_o \cdot \frac{dz}{\sin \alpha} \quad \text{Dimension 1/Length}$$

$$dr = c \lambda \cdot \rho \cdot r_o \cdot \frac{dz}{\sin \alpha}$$

dimensionless complex constant, determined by

$$r_F \equiv \frac{a_R}{a_I} \rightarrow \left( \frac{\alpha_c}{2\alpha} \right)^2 \quad \text{for } \alpha \gg \alpha_c$$

$$\alpha_c^2 = \pi^{-1} \lambda^2 \cdot \rho_{bulk} \cdot r_o$$

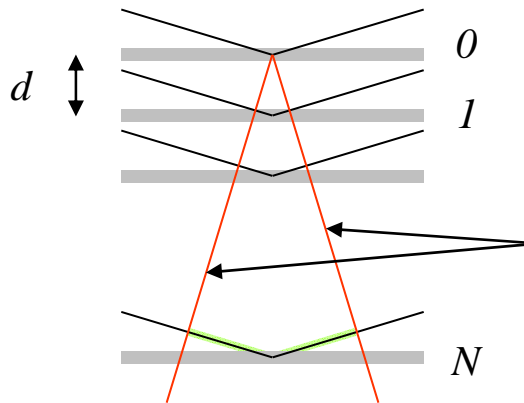
$$1. \frac{\lambda \cdot \rho_{bulk} \cdot r_o}{\alpha} = \frac{\lambda}{\alpha} \cdot \frac{\pi \alpha_c^2}{\lambda^2} = \frac{k \alpha_c^2}{2\alpha}$$

$$2. \quad \text{With } \frac{\rho(z)}{\rho_{bulk}} \equiv f(z); \quad \int_0^\infty f(z) e^{iQz} dz = \left[ f(z) \frac{1}{iQ} e^{iQz} \right]_0^\infty - \frac{1}{iQ} \int_0^\infty f'(z) e^{iQz} dz \equiv i \frac{1}{Q} \phi(Q)$$

(i)  $f(z) = \text{stepfunction} \Rightarrow f'(z) = \delta(z)$  and  $\phi(Q) = 1$  ; (ii)  $Q = 2k\alpha$

$$r_F = \frac{\alpha_c^2}{4\alpha^2} = c \frac{k \alpha_c^2}{2\alpha} \cdot i \frac{1}{2k\alpha} \cdot 1 \Rightarrow c = (-i)$$

# The bandwidth from Bragg reflection



Green path length =  $N 2d \sin\theta$

$$\Delta\phi_N(\Delta\lambda) = \frac{N \cdot 2d \sin\theta}{\lambda + \Delta\lambda} \cdot 2\pi - 2\pi N \approx 2\pi N \Delta\lambda / \lambda \square \pi$$

If reflectivity of one layer is 0.01  
then about 100 layers will effectively reflect –  
the deeper layers are not illuminated

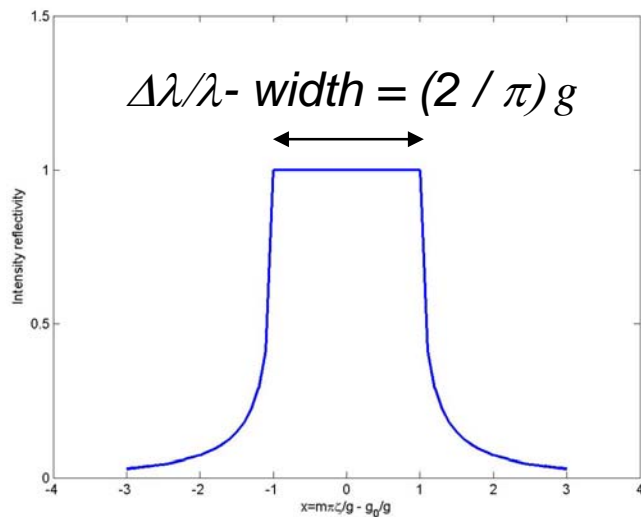
With reflectivity per layer =  $g \rightarrow N=1/g$

wavefronts

**Student problem:**

Determine the wavelengthband  
from a Si(111) monochromator.

Hint: Si has the diamond structure  
with  $a=5.43 \text{ \AA}$ .



$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2N}$$

$$\left(\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda}\right)_{FWHM} \approx \frac{1}{N} \cong g$$

$$r_{thinplate} = (-i)\lambda \frac{d}{\sin\alpha} \cdot r_o \cdot \rho \rightarrow g = 2d^2 r_o \frac{|F_{hkl}|}{V_c}$$

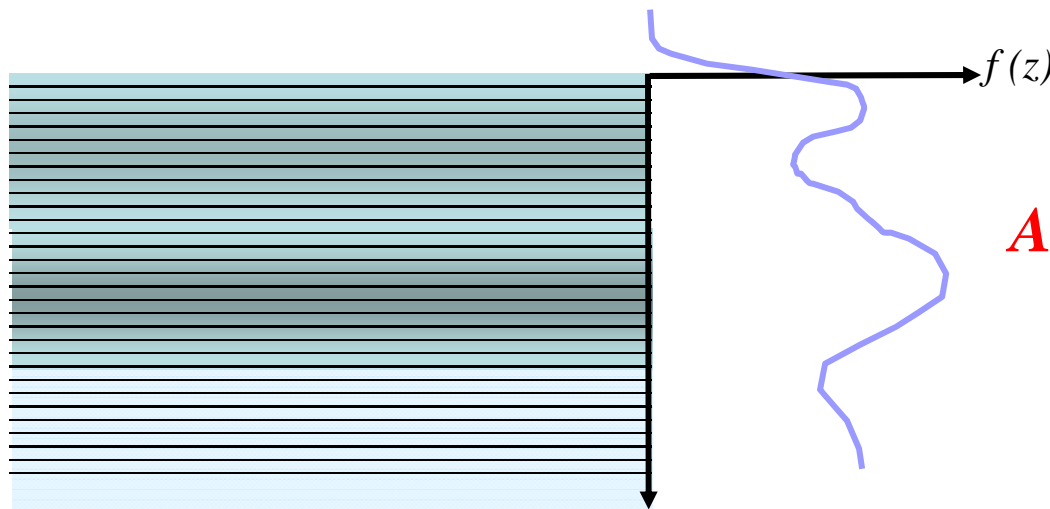
Unit cell volume



## Reflectivity from fuzzy interface

$$r = \int_{z=0}^{\infty} e^{iQz} dr(z) = c \frac{\lambda \cdot \rho_{bulk} \cdot r_o}{\alpha} \int_{z=0}^{\infty} \frac{\rho(z)}{\rho_{bulk}} e^{iQz} dz = r_F \int_{z=0}^{\infty} f'(z) \cdot e^{iQz} dz \equiv \phi(Q) \cdot r_F$$

$\uparrow$   
Thin plate
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 $f(z)$ 
 $\uparrow$   
 $\delta(z)$  for sharp interface

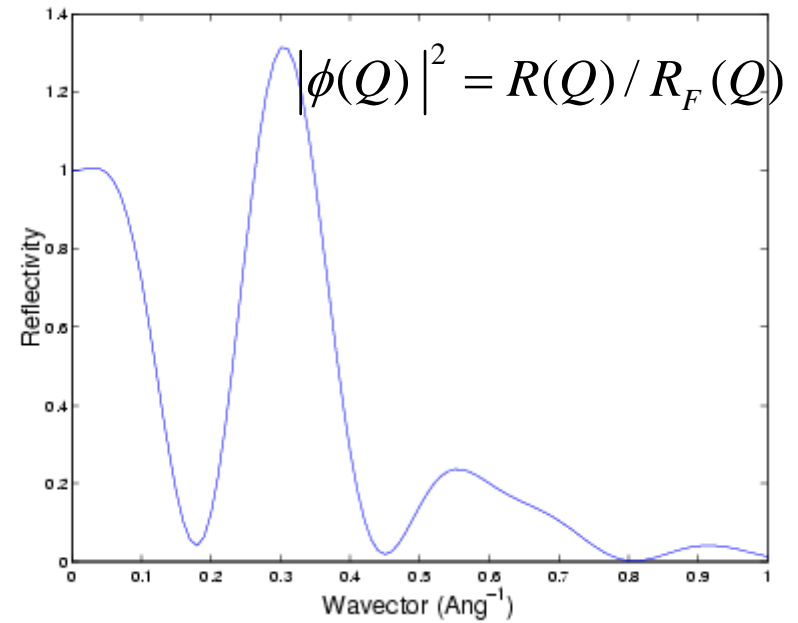
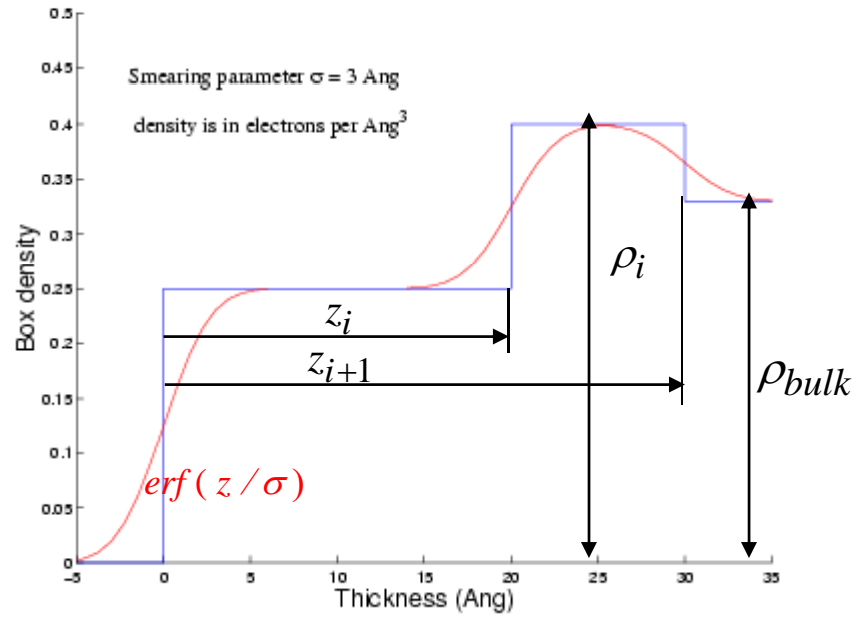


*FT(Gaussian)=Gaussian*

**A**  $\int_{z=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-z^2/2\sigma^2} \cdot e^{iQz} dz = e^{-Q^2\sigma^2/2}$

**B**  $\int_{z=-\infty}^{\infty} f(z-z_0) \cdot e^{iQz} dz = e^{iQz_0} \cdot \int_{z-z_0=-\infty}^{\infty} f(z-z_0) \cdot e^{iQ(z-z_0)} d(z-z_0) = e^{iQz_0} \cdot \phi(Q)$

## A and B + box model



$$\phi(Q) = e^{-Q^2 \sigma^2 / 2} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\rho_{i+1} - \rho_i}{\rho_{bulk}} e^{iQz_i}$$