

**PH 107: Quantum Physics and applications**  
**Wave particle Duality**

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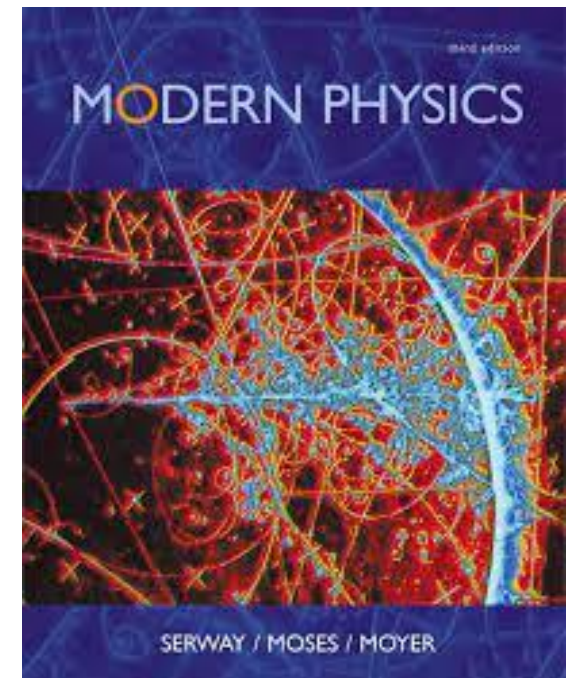
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# Recap

- Particle nature of x-rays ; small wavelength light.

## Learning Objectives

- **Matter wave, sections 5.1 and 5.2 in page 152 and 154.**



# In video quiz

- This week both submissions would be considered.
- For Thursday's in-video quiz and lectures after that the answers should be submitted in **PH107-2021-ALL**

# Recap

Photoelectric Effect  
Compton Effect

Particle nature of Light

Interference  
Diffraction

Wave nature of Light

Quantum theory gives light a more flexible nature by implying that different experimental conditions evoke either the wave properties or particle properties of light. In fact, *both views are necessary and complementary.*

# Recap

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Thus we are left with an uneasy compromise between wave and particle concepts and must accept, at this point, that both are necessary to explain the observed behavior of light.

# In General

## Does light consist of waves or particles?

| Phenomenon           | Wave Nature | Particle Nature |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Reflection           | Yes         | Yes             |
| Refraction           | Yes         | No              |
| Interference         | Yes         | No              |
| Diffraction          | Yes         | No              |
| Polarisation         | Yes         | No              |
| Photoelectric effect | No          | Yes             |
| Compton Effect       | No          | Yes             |

# Simple Idea

For photon:  $p = \frac{h\nu}{c} = \frac{h}{\lambda}$

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

# More Complications

While people are struggling with this dual nature of radiation (particles or waves), de-Broglie jumped in and made the situation more complicated (or did he make it simple?)



Louis de Broglie  
(1892-1987)

He said: **If waves behave like particles, then why can't particles behave like waves?**

Classically, we view massive objects (such as protons and electrons) as particles and electromagnetic radiation as a wave.

In de-Broglie's point of view, **both of these should have both particle and wave properties.**



# More Complications

This is surprising! **Massive** objects occupy well defined positions in space at any given instant.  
How can they have wave like properties?

# Wave-Particle Duality

**In 1923 Louis de Broglie gave hypothesis**

If waves behave like particles, then why not particles behave like waves?

Everything (matter and radiation) has both wave and particle properties; which property you see depends on the experiment you perform.

For photon: 
$$p = \frac{h\nu}{c} = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

For a particle of momentum  $p$ , the wavelength is

$$\lambda_{\text{dB}} = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{h}{mv}$$



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# Wave-Particle Duality

de Broglie hypothesis and Bohr's Quantization condition

One of Bohr's assumptions concerning hydrogen atom model was that in a stationary state

$$L = m_e v r = n \hbar$$

# Wave-Particle Duality

## de Broglie hypothesis and Bohr's Quantization condition

### 12.4 BOHR MODEL OF THE HYDROGEN ATOM

- (ii) Bohr's second postulate defines these stable orbits. This postulate states that the *electron* revolves around the nucleus *only in those orbits for which the angular momentum is some integral multiple of  $h/2\pi$*  where  $h$  is the Planck's constant ( $= 6.6 \times 10^{-34}$  J s). Thus the angular momentum ( $L$ ) of the orbiting electron is quantised. That is

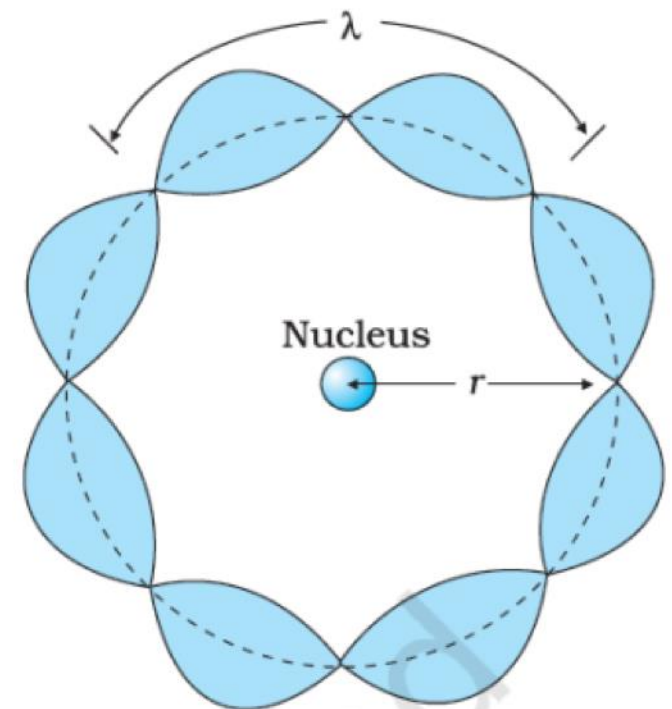
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$$L_n = mv_n r_n = \frac{nh}{2\pi}$$

$$mvr = \frac{nh}{2\pi}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

$$pr = \frac{h}{\lambda} r = \frac{nh}{2\pi},$$

$$n\lambda_{dB} = 2\pi r$$



**FIGURE 12.10** A standing wave is shown on a circular orbit where four de Broglie wavelengths fit into the circumference of the orbit.

**Orbits are stable if the circumference contains integer multiples of de-Broglie wavelengths**

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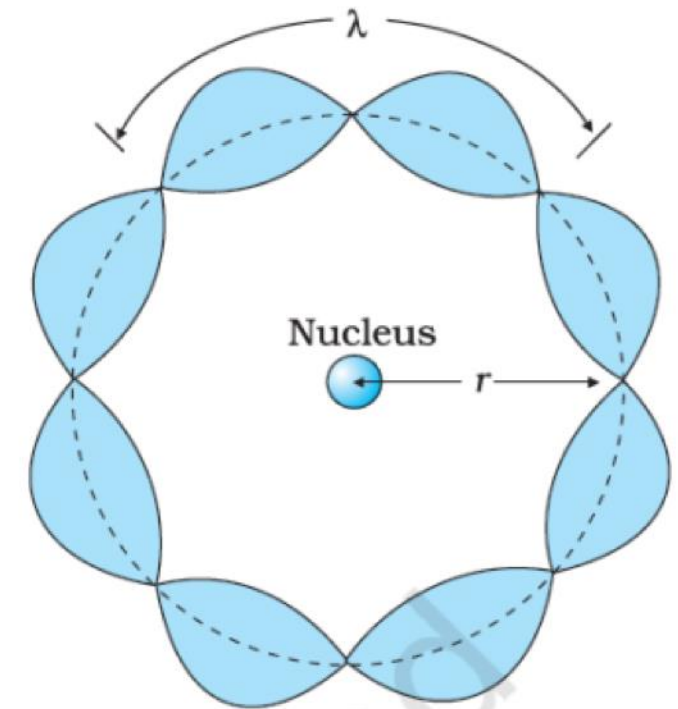
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**The regions between the orbits could not be occupied because a whole number of waves would not fit.**



# Wave-Particle Duality

A ball of  $m = 150 \text{ g}$ ,  $v = 40 \text{ m/s}$

$$\lambda_{\text{dB}} = \frac{h}{mv} = \frac{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J-s}}{0.15 \text{ kg} \times 40 \text{ m/s}} = 1.1 \times 10^{-34} \text{ m}$$

An electron with  $v = 5.9 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$

$$\lambda_{\text{dB}} = \frac{6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J-s}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg} \times 5.9 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}} = 1.2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

Atomic dimension:  $10^{-10} \text{ m}$ ; Nuclear dimension:  $10^{-14} \text{ m}$

# Wave-Particle Duality

de Broglie wavelength is important for microscopic objects like electron.

de Broglie wavelength is negligibly small for macroscopic objects.

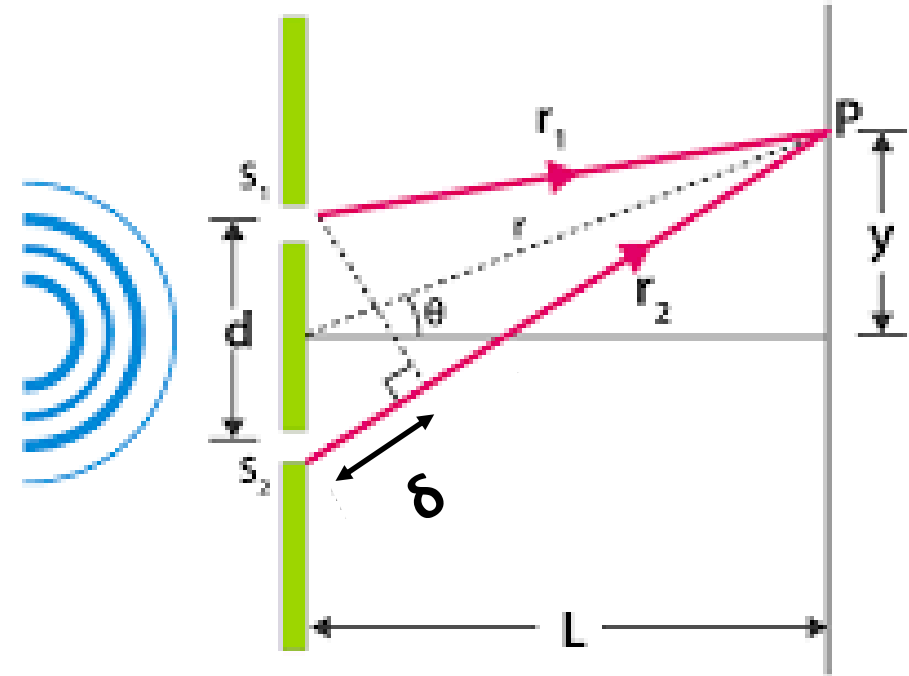
Objects that are large in the absolute sense have the property that the de Broglie wavelength associated with them are completely negligible compared to their size.

Therefore, large particles only manifest particle nature.

# Young's Double Slit Experiment

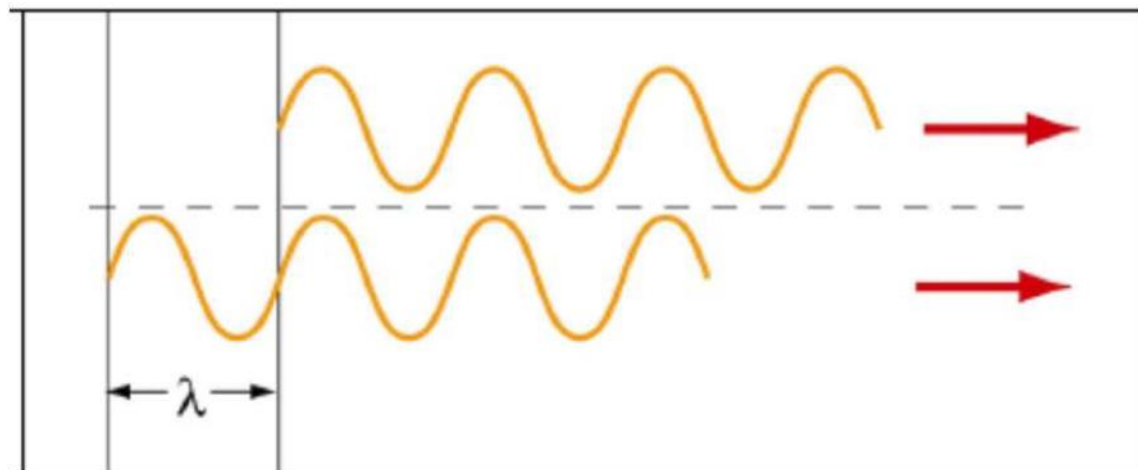
Path difference between two rays

$$\delta = r_2 - r_1 = d \sin \theta$$



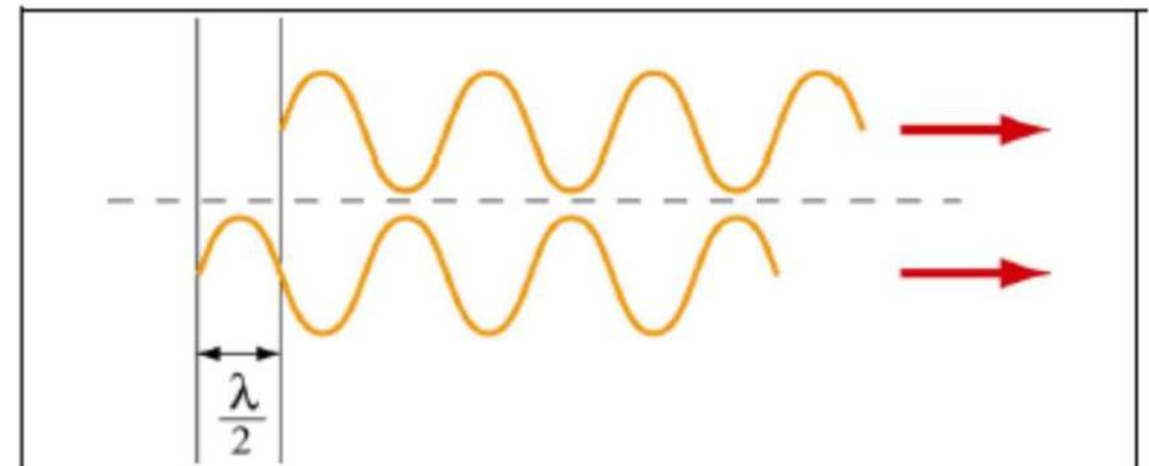
Constructive Interference

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



Destructive Interference

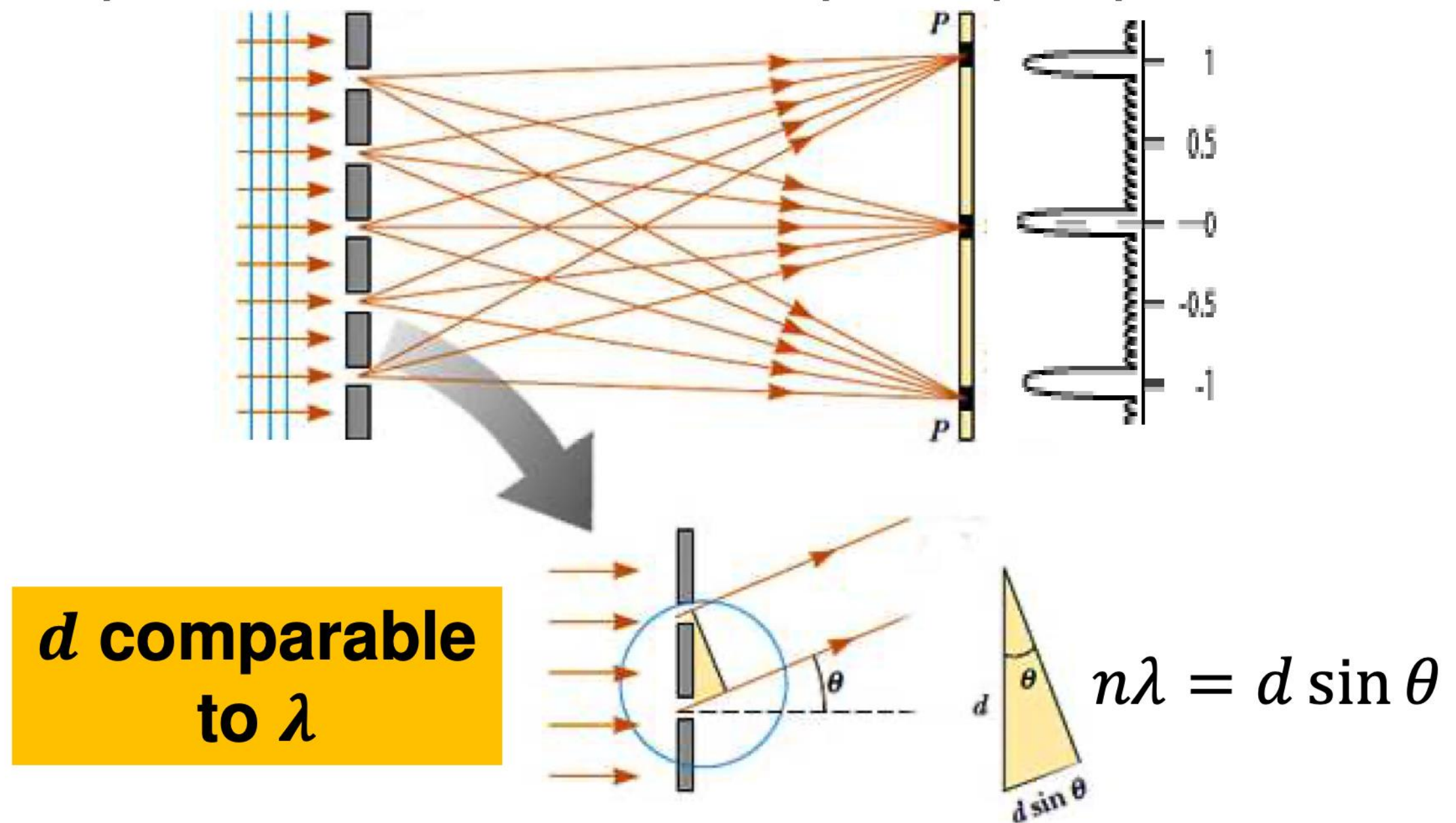
$$\delta = d \sin \theta = (n + 1/2)\lambda$$



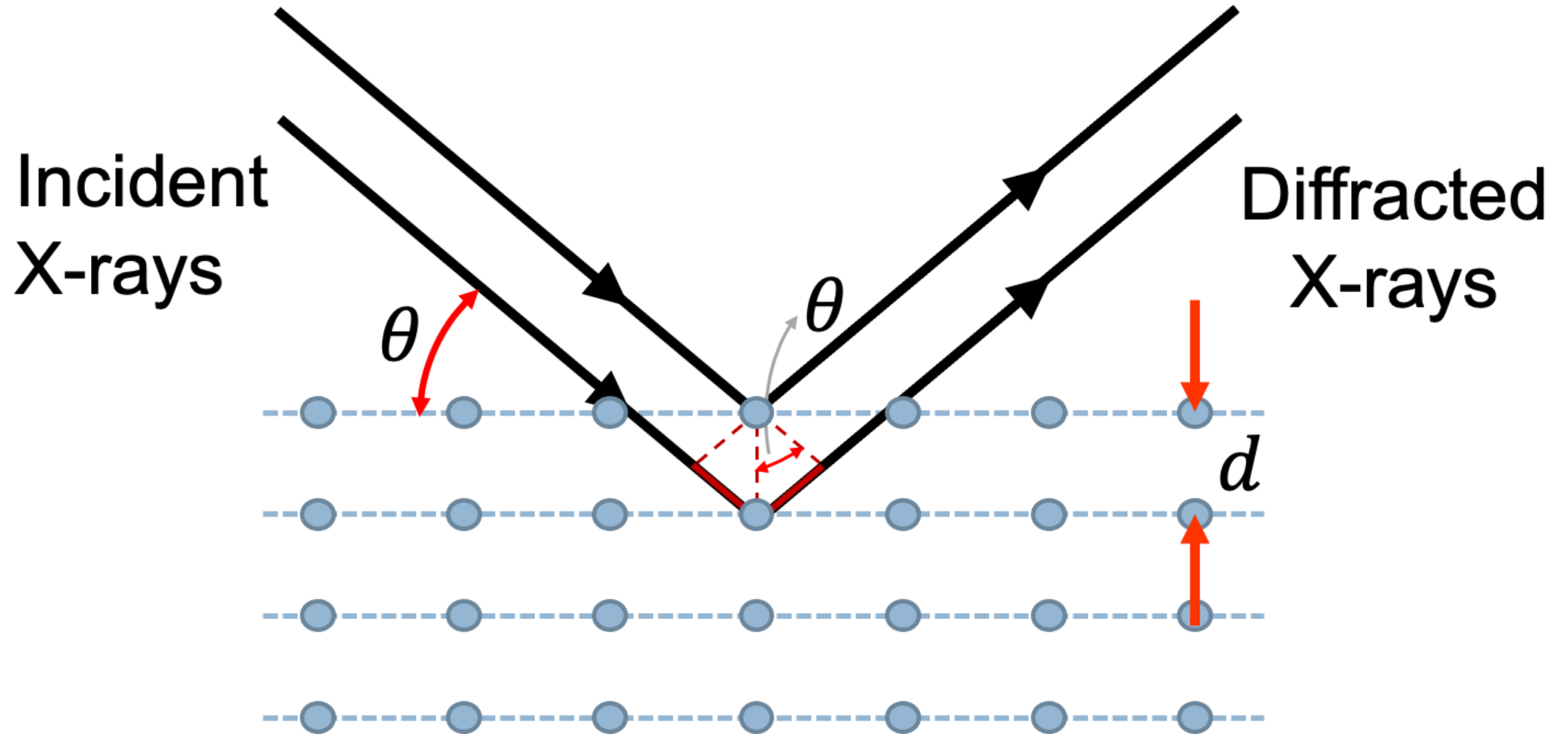


# Double Slit versus Multiple Slit

Replace two slits with multiple equi-spaced slits



# X-ray Diffraction

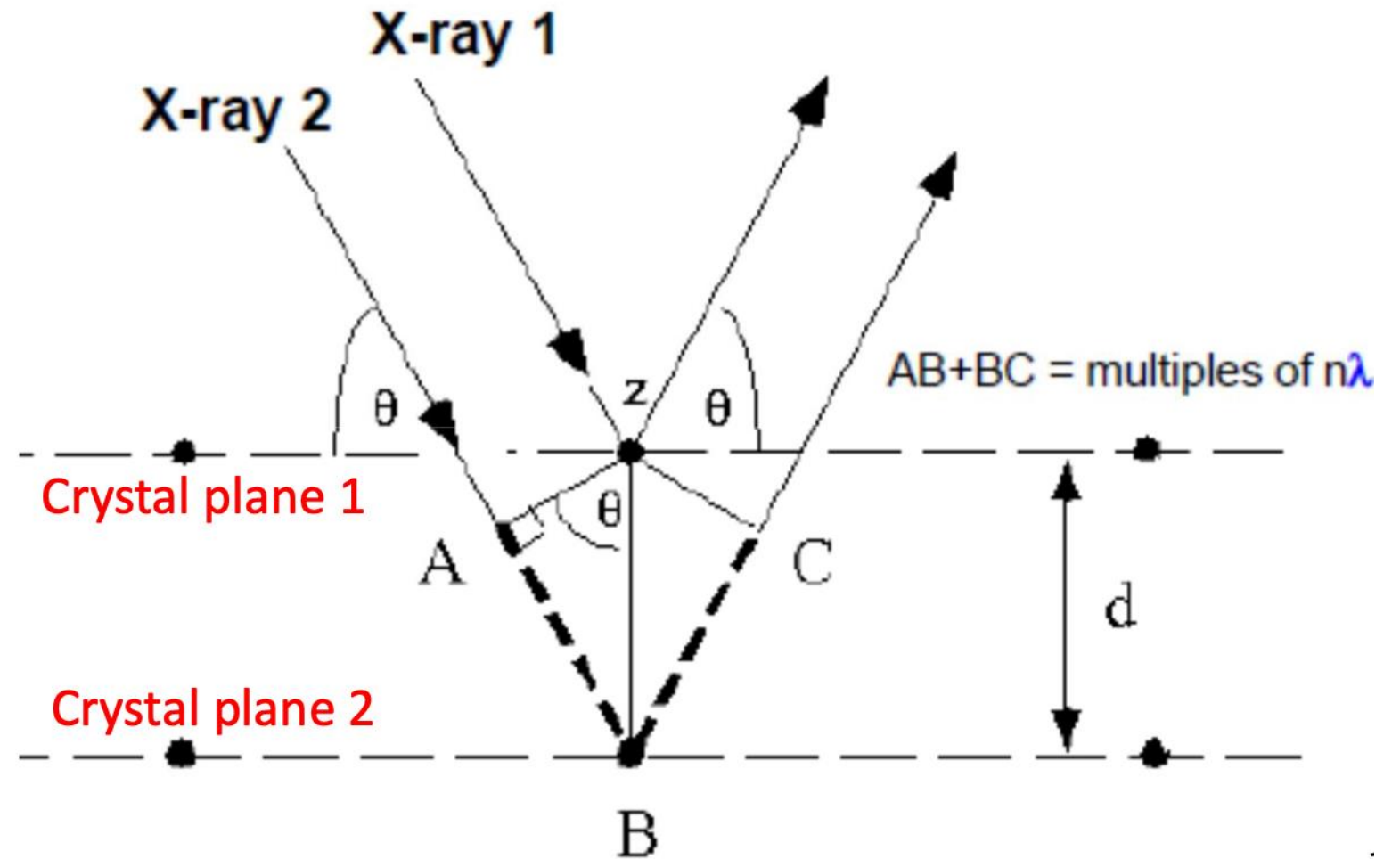


# X-ray Diffraction

## Bragg Equation

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


Diffraction order



Path difference =  $AB+BC = n\lambda$

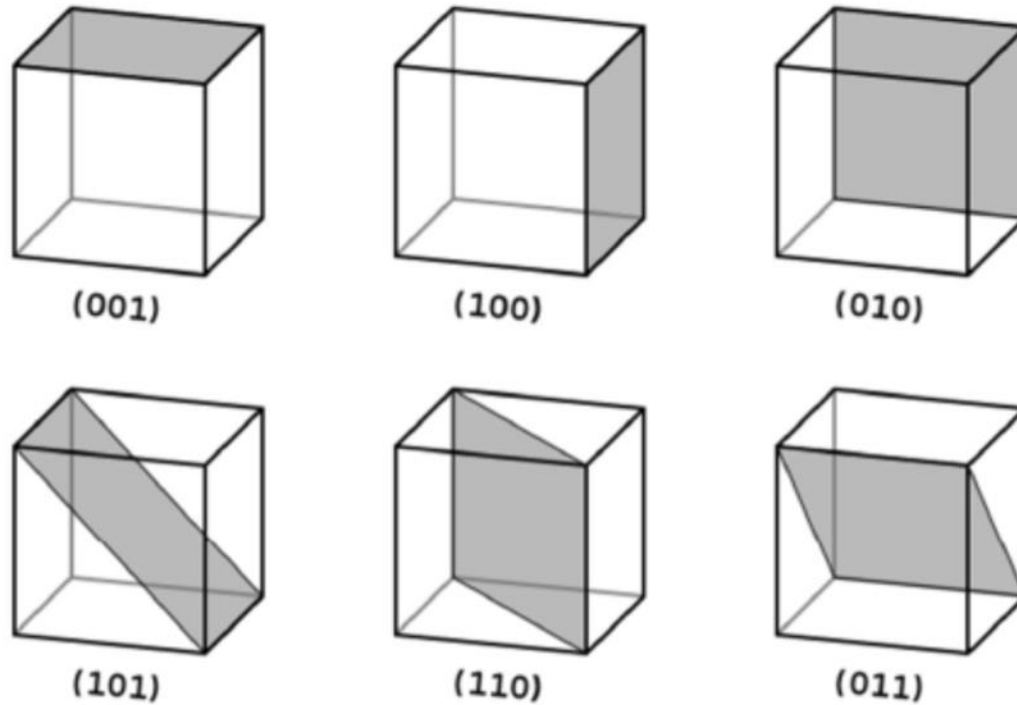
$$AB = BC = d \sin \theta$$

Wavelength ~ **d**-spacing

**d**-spacing ~ 0.2-0.3 nm  X-ray wavelength, 0.01-10 nm

# X-ray Diffraction

## Crystal structure and Miller Indices

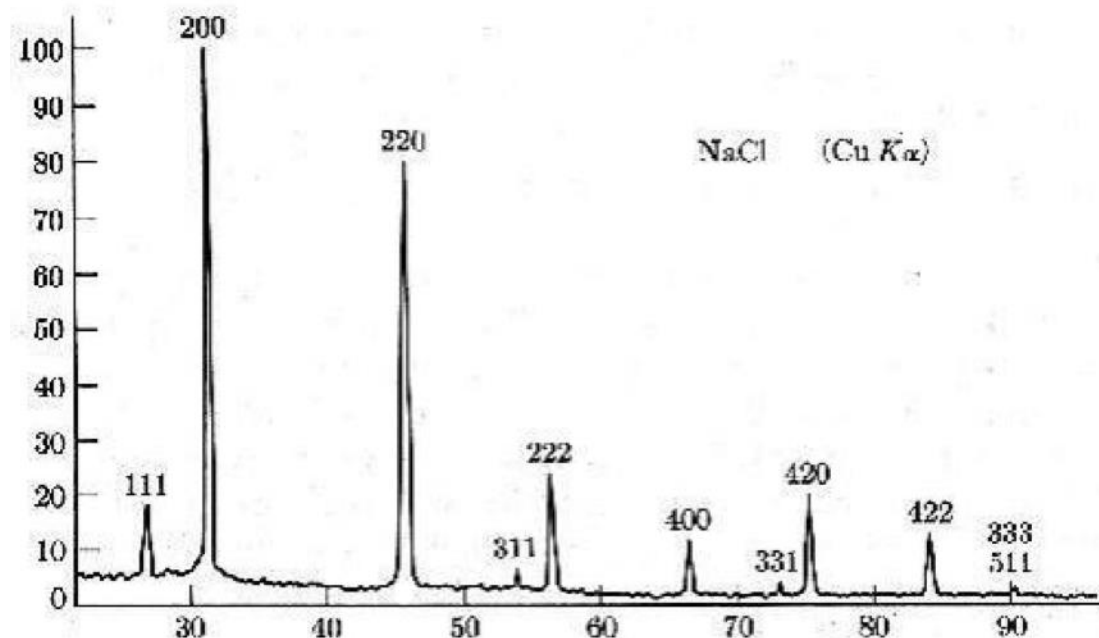


**Planes with different Miller indices in a cubic crystal**

***Each plane will give peak depending on  $d$***

**and many more.....**

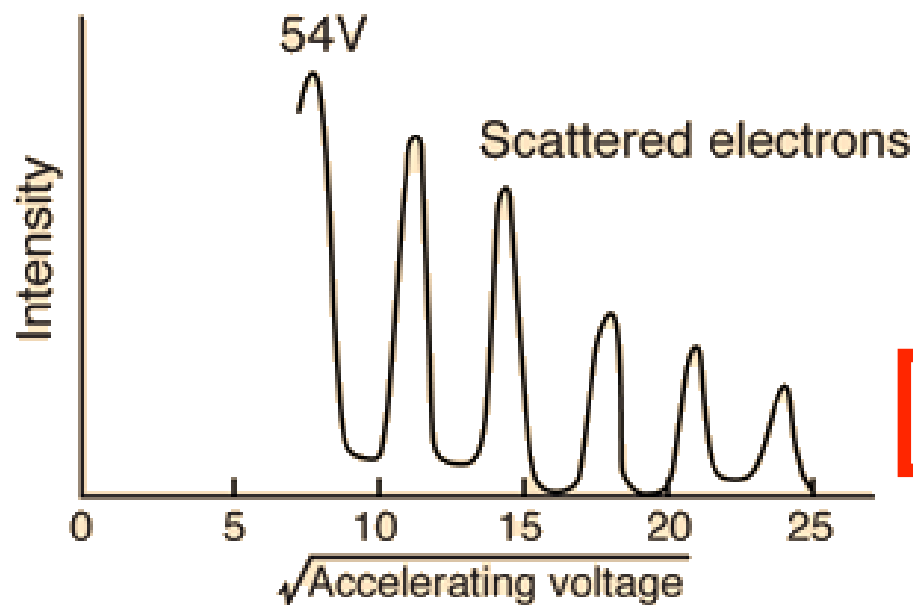
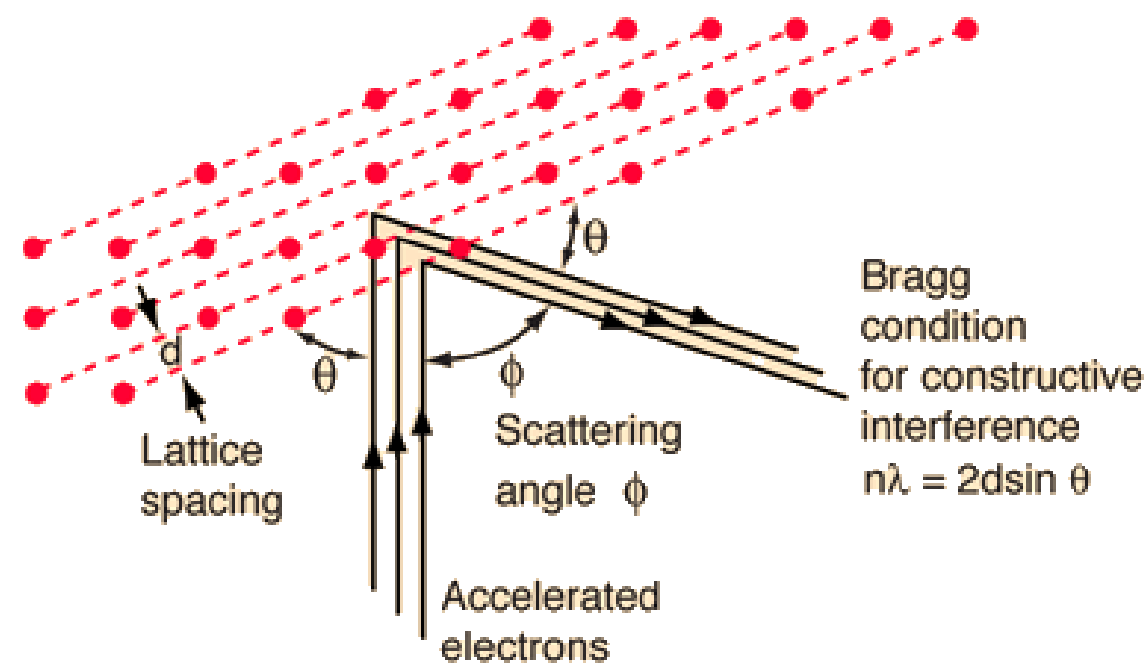
***(Additional Information)***



# Wave-Nature of Electron

## Davisson-Germer Experiment, 1927

Electrons were diffracted from a Nickel crystal similar to x-rays. The diffraction peaks satisfy the Bragg condition.



$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{n}{2d \sin \theta} = \frac{p}{h} = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{h} = \frac{\sqrt{2meV}}{h}$$

Diagram illustrating the derivation of the deBroglie relationship for electron wavelength, linking experimental parameters to theoretical formulas:

- Electron wavelength** (indicated by a red arrow pointing to  $\lambda$ )
- Bragg law** (indicated by a green arrow pointing to  $2d \sin \theta$ )
- deBroglie relationship** (indicated by a blue arrow pointing to  $\frac{p}{h}$ )
- Acceleration through voltage V** (indicated by a magenta arrow pointing to  $\sqrt{2meV}$ )

# Wave-Nature of Electron

de Broglie wavelength of electron  $\lambda_{dB} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2meV}}$

$$\lambda_{dB} = 1.67 \text{ \AA} = 1.67 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m for } 54 \text{ eV electron}$$

can be varied by varying accelerating voltage eV

**Bragg law:**  $2d \sin \theta = n\lambda$

$\lambda$  should be of the same magnitude as  $d$

**Microscope** Resolution  $\sim \lambda$ , shorter  $\lambda$ , better is resolution

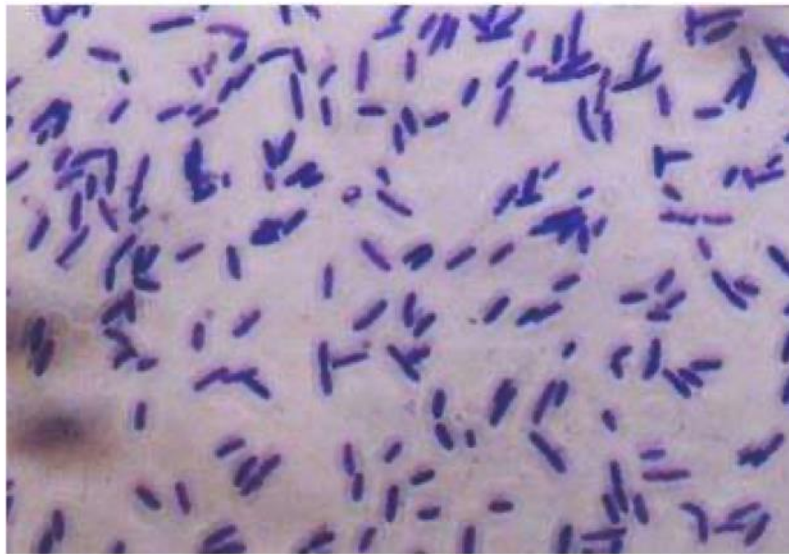
$\implies$  **Electron Microscope**



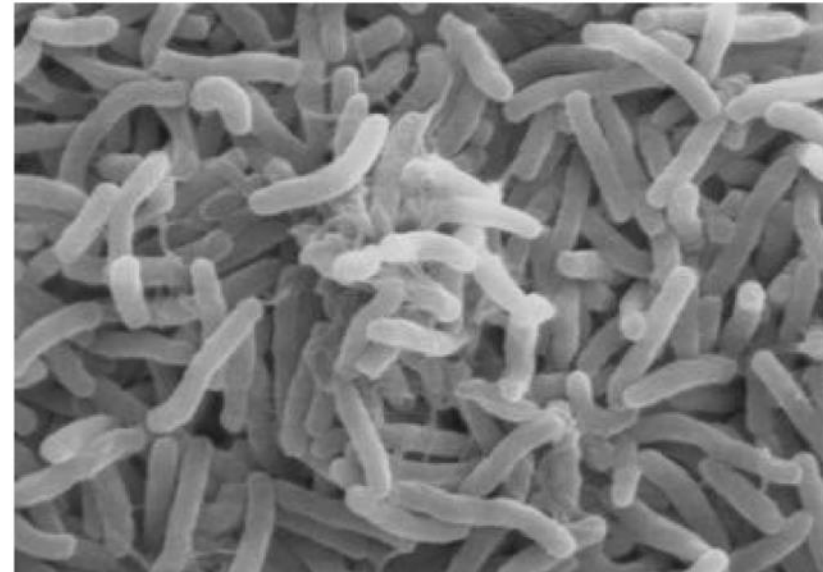
# Wavelength versus Size

With a visible light microscope, we are limited to being able to resolve objects which are at least about  $0.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m} = 0.5 \text{ } \mu\text{m} = 500 \text{ nm}$  in size.

This is because visible light, with a wavelength of  $\sim 500 \text{ nm}$  cannot resolve objects whose size is smaller than its wavelength.



**Bacteria, as viewed  
using visible light**



**Bacteria, as viewed  
using electrons!**

# Microscope Using Electrons

Ernest Ruska (and others) argued that if electrons behave like waves then it should be possible to focus electron beams like light.

They designed magnetic lenses which could focus the electron waves and created TEM (Transmission Electron Microscope) in 1931.

Electron Microscope allows us to see things much smaller than typical optical microscopes permit, because the wavelength of the electron is much shorter than that of photons of visible light.

In principle, it can provide magnification factors of a million. Ruska got a Nobel Prize in 1986.

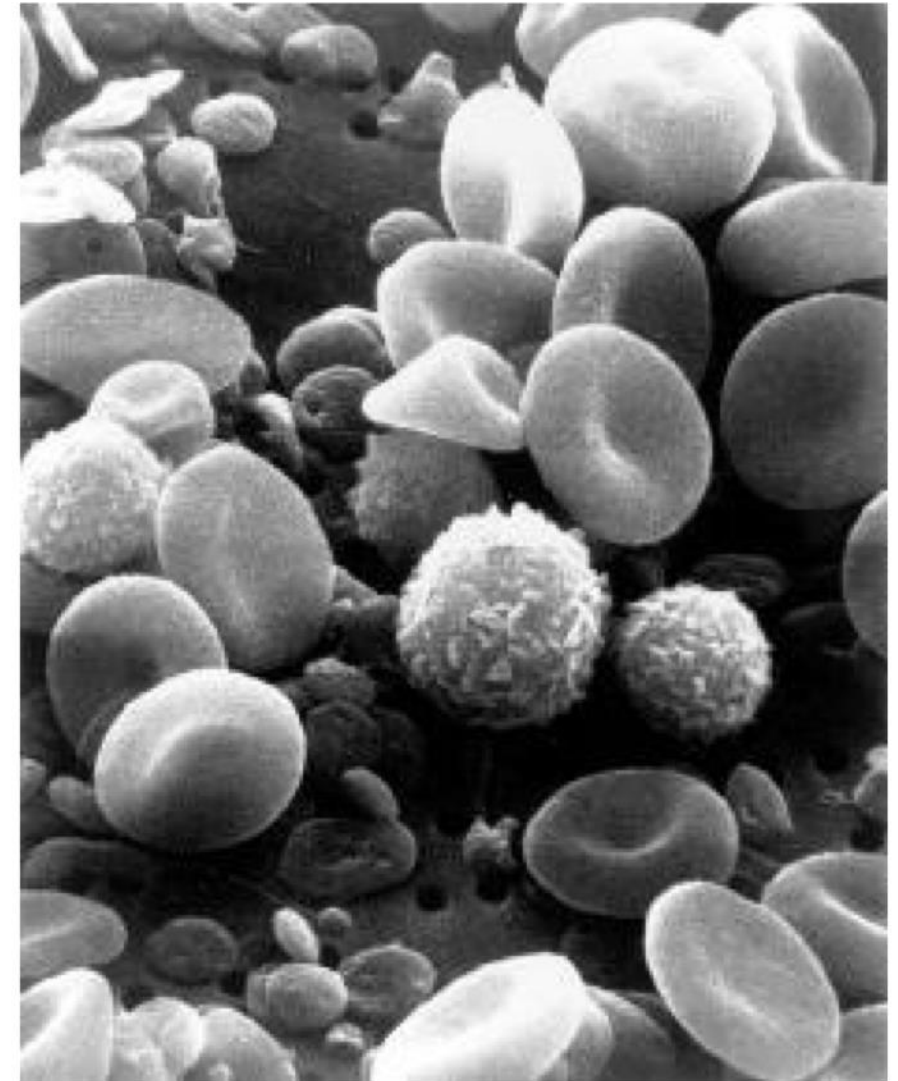
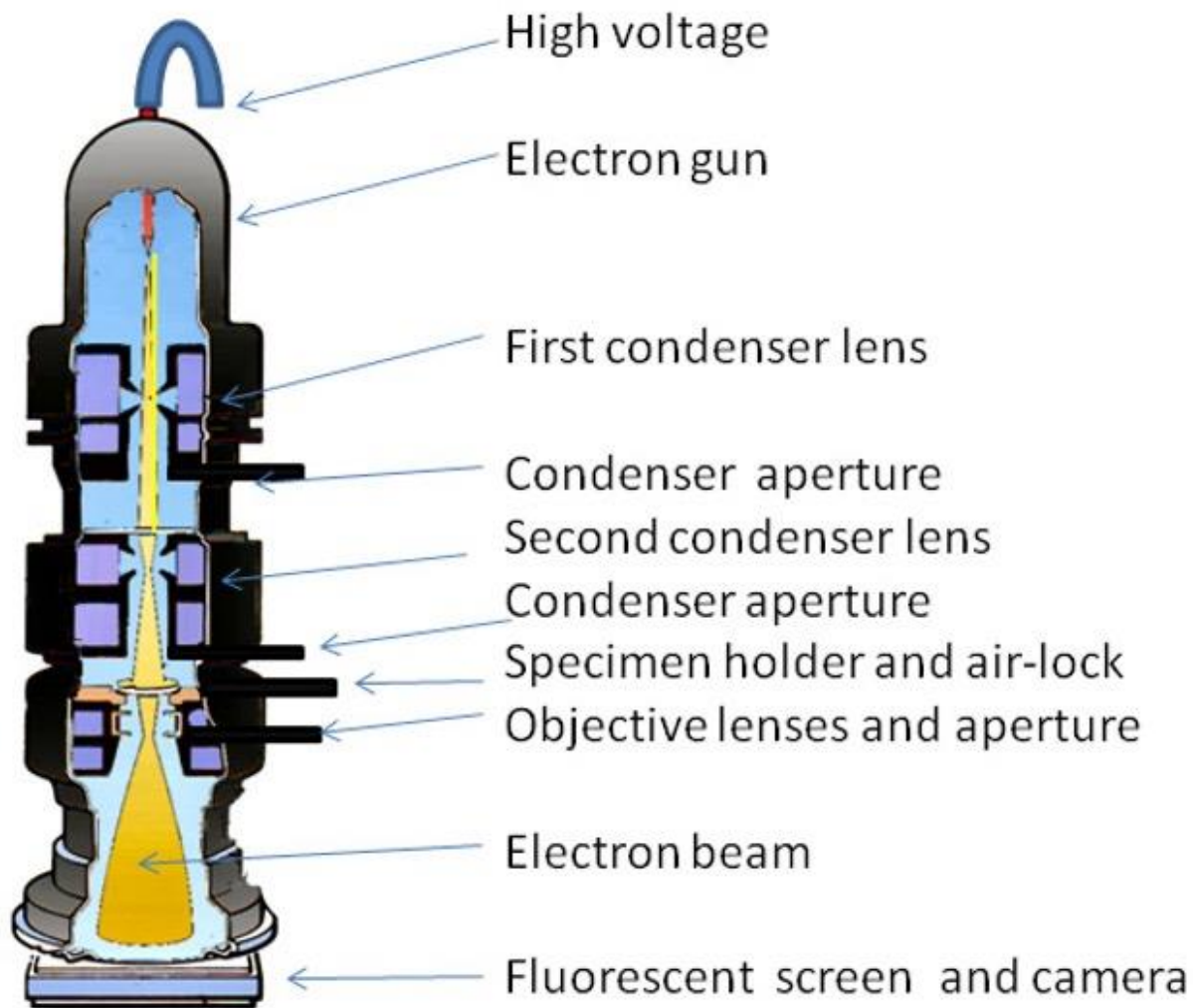


# Electron Microscope

The electron microscope is a device which uses the wave behavior of electrons to make images which are otherwise too small for visible light!

The best optical microscope using UV light have magnification of  $\sim 2000$  and resolution of  $\sim 100$  nm, however, electron microscope using 100 kV electrons has magnification of as much as  $10^7$  and resolution of 0.2 nm.

# Electron Microscope

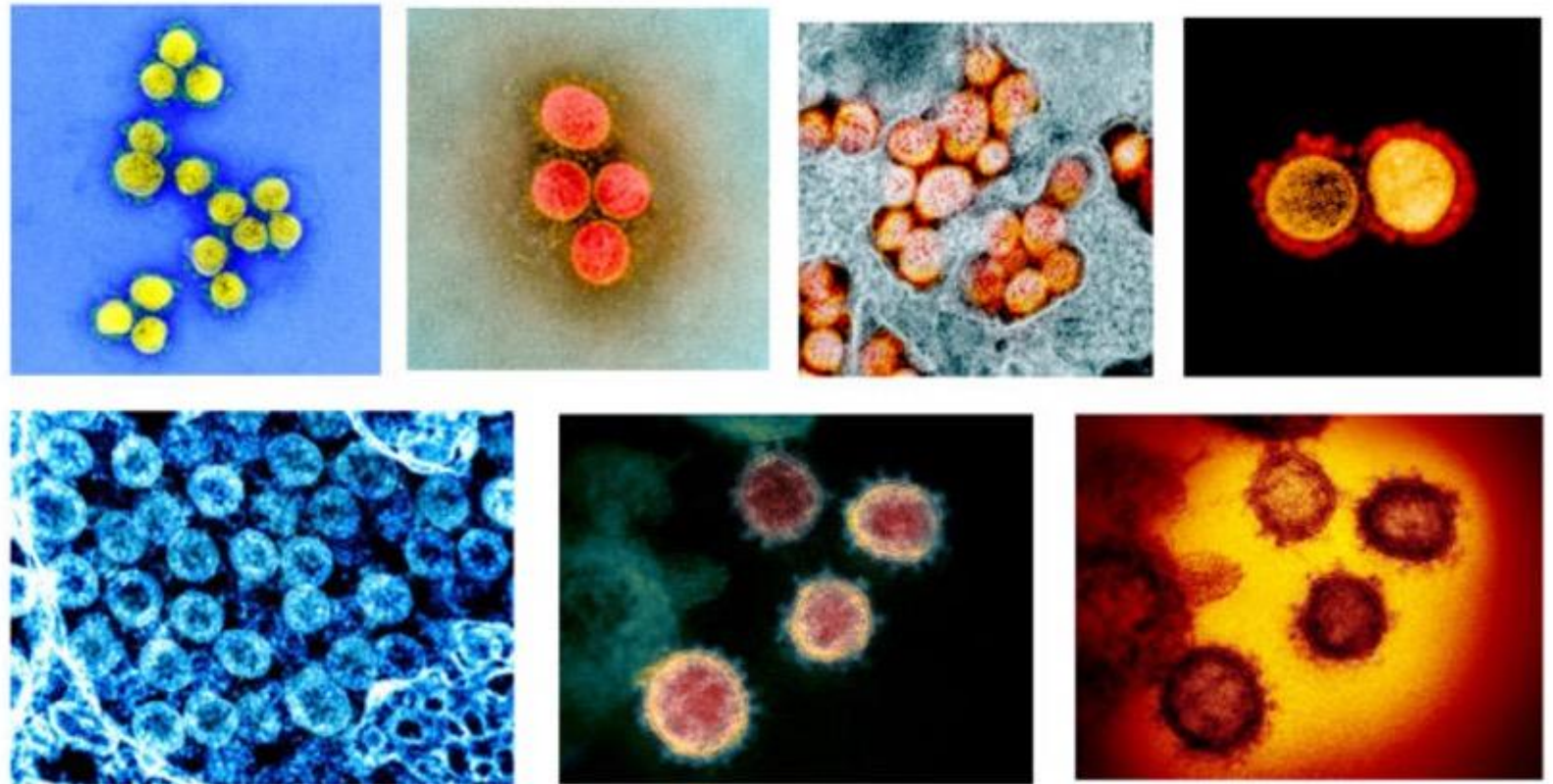
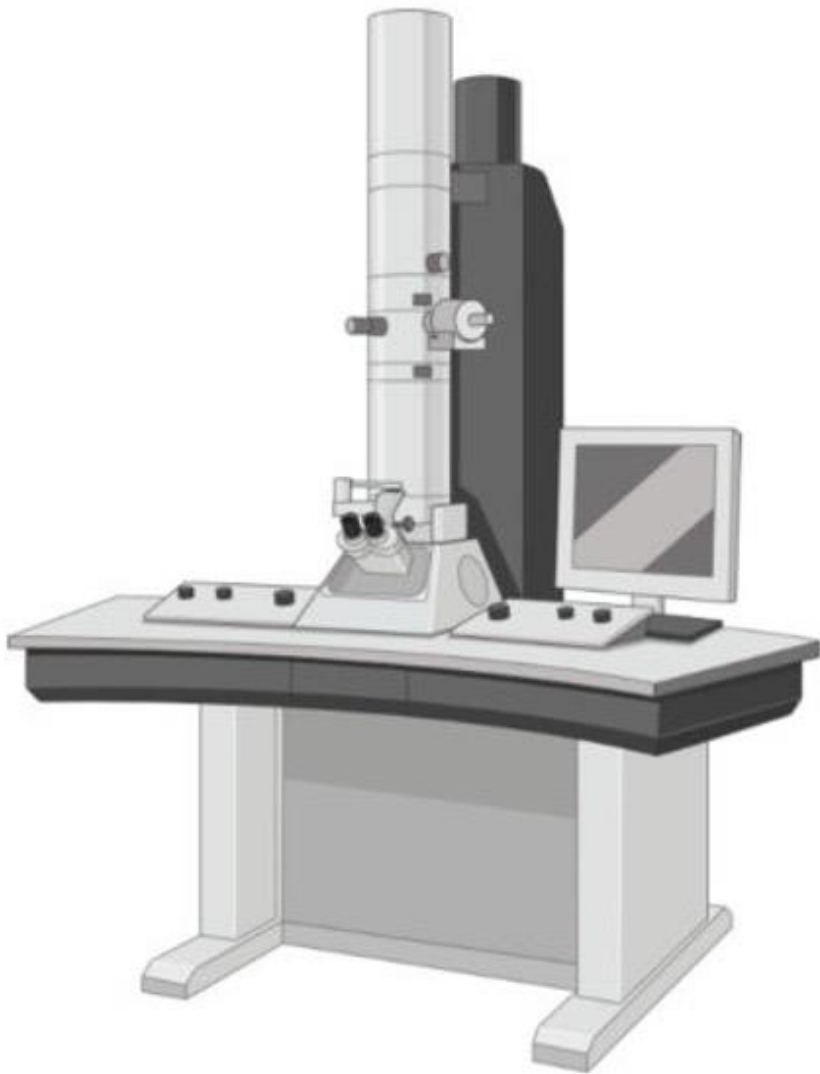


## IMPORTANT POINT:

**High energy particles can be used to reveal the structure of matter !**

# Electron Microscope

## Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM)



Transmission electron micrograph of SARS-CoV-2

# YDSE with Electrons

C. Jönsson (Tübingen, Germany, 1961):

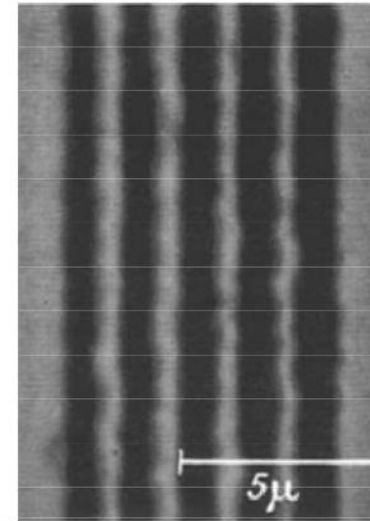
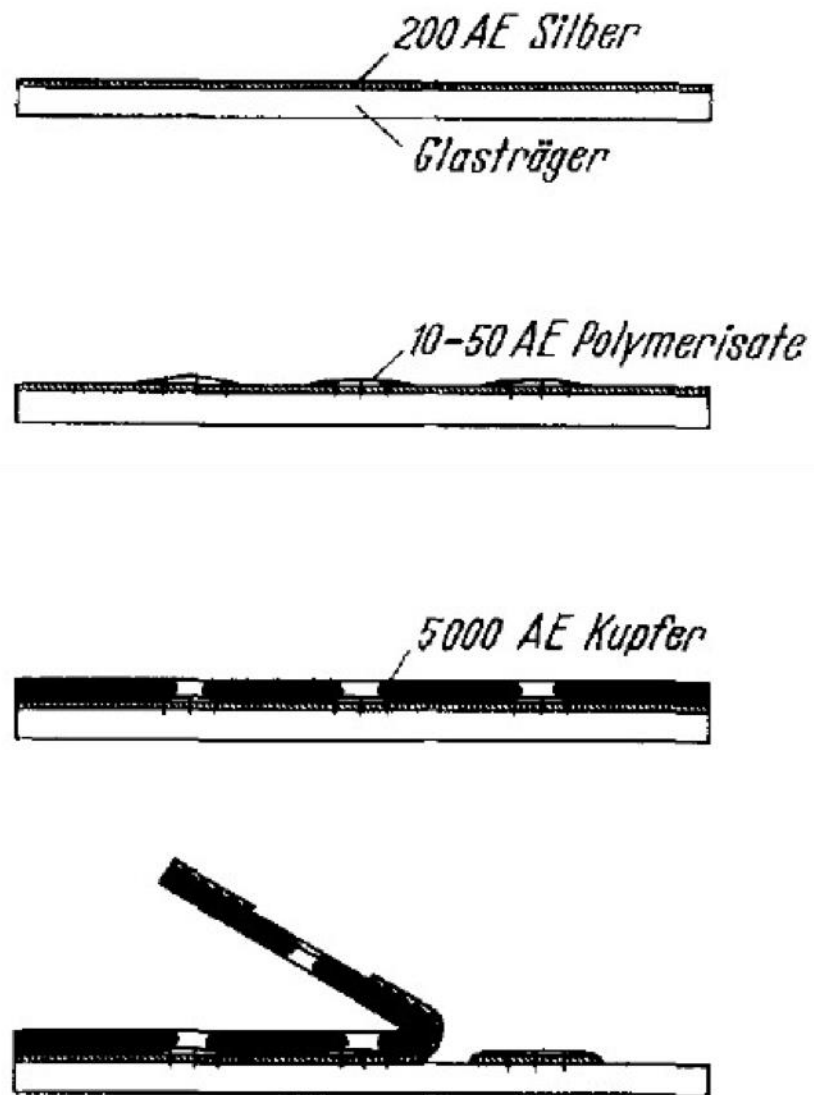
Double-slit interference effects for electrons by constructing very narrow slits and using relatively large distances between the slits and the observation screen.

This experiment demonstrated that precisely the same behaviour occurs for both light (waves) and electrons (particles).

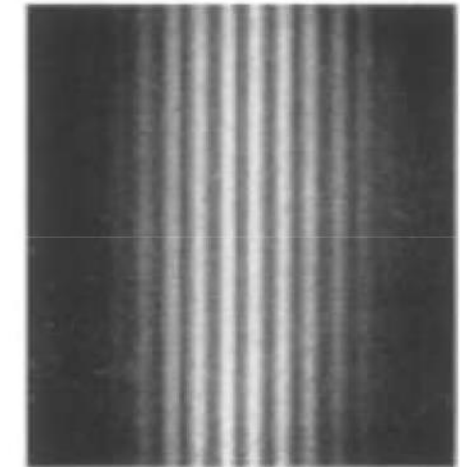


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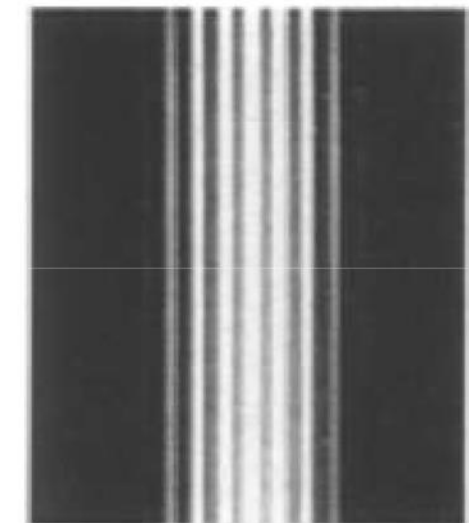
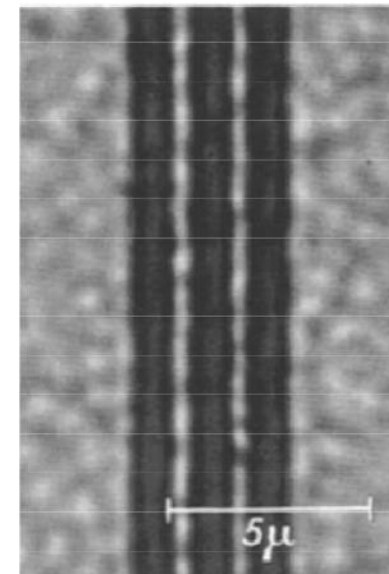
Claus Joensson (1961)



Interference pattern



With 2 slits



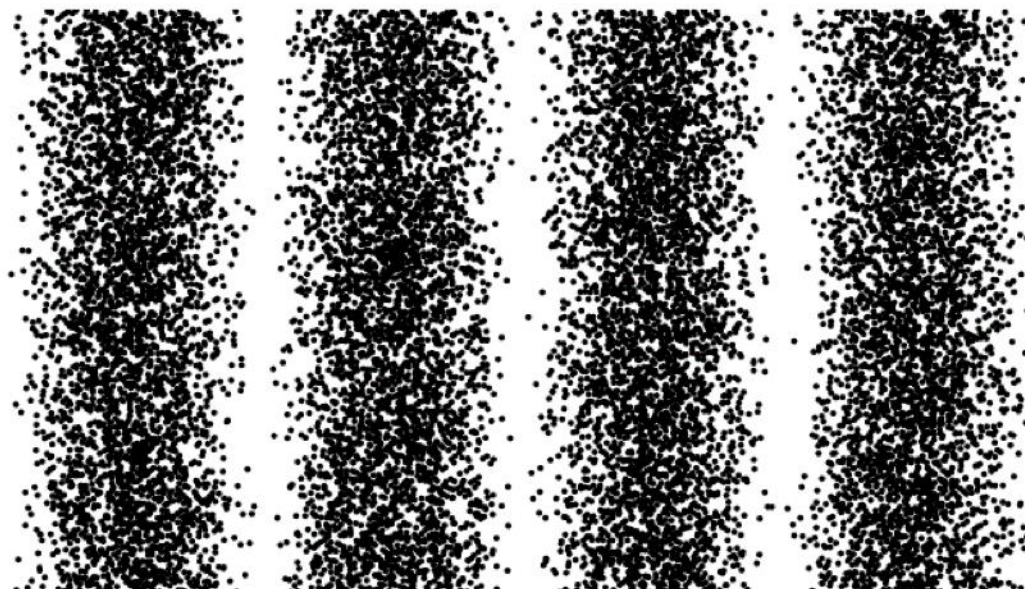
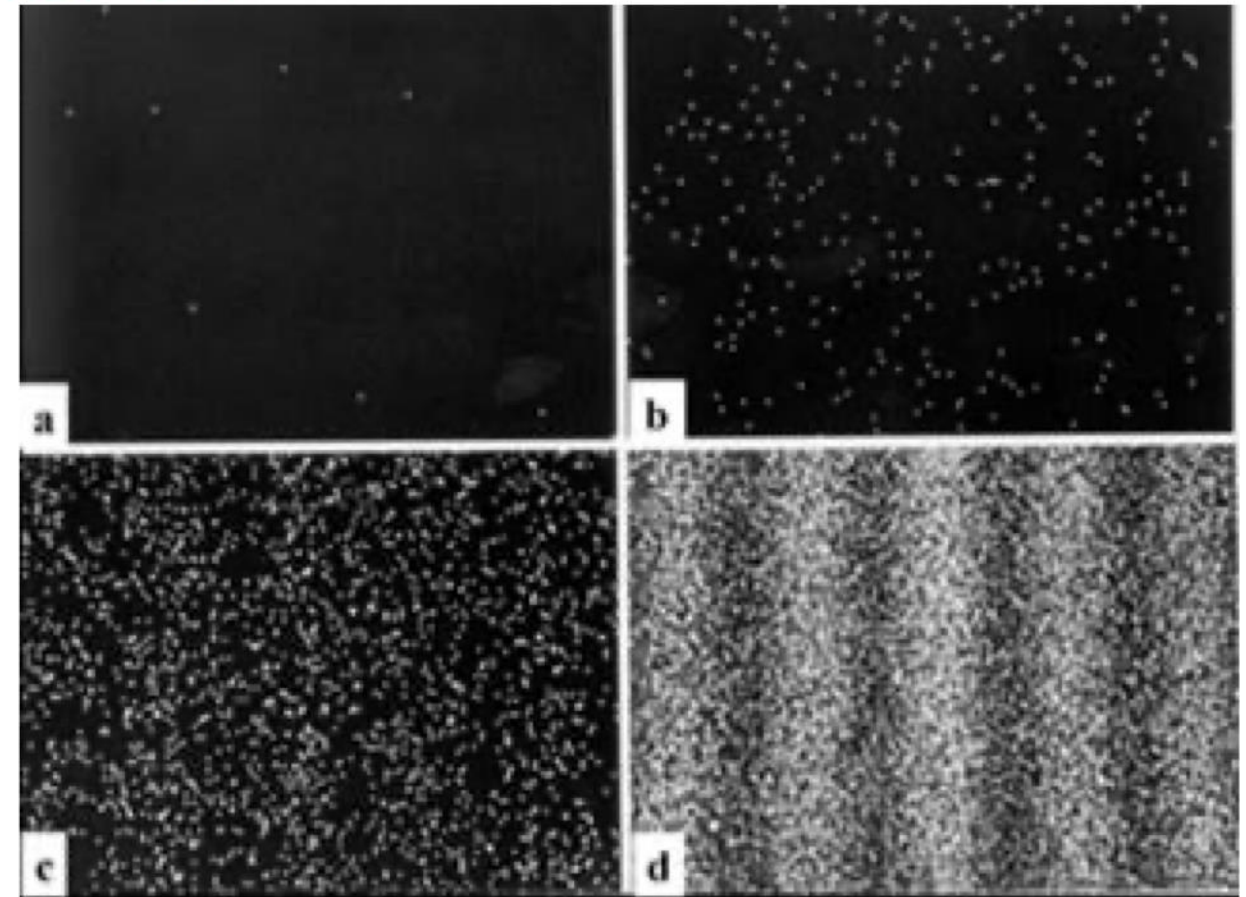
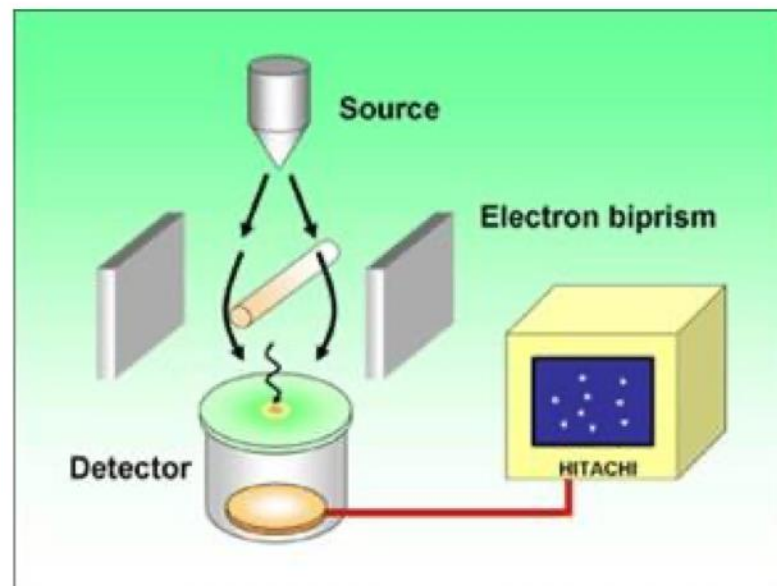
With 3 slits

Zeitschrift für Physik 161, 454—474 (1961)

# YDSE with Electrons

Akira Tonomura and co-workers at Hitachi in 1989

just one electron in the apparatus at any one time



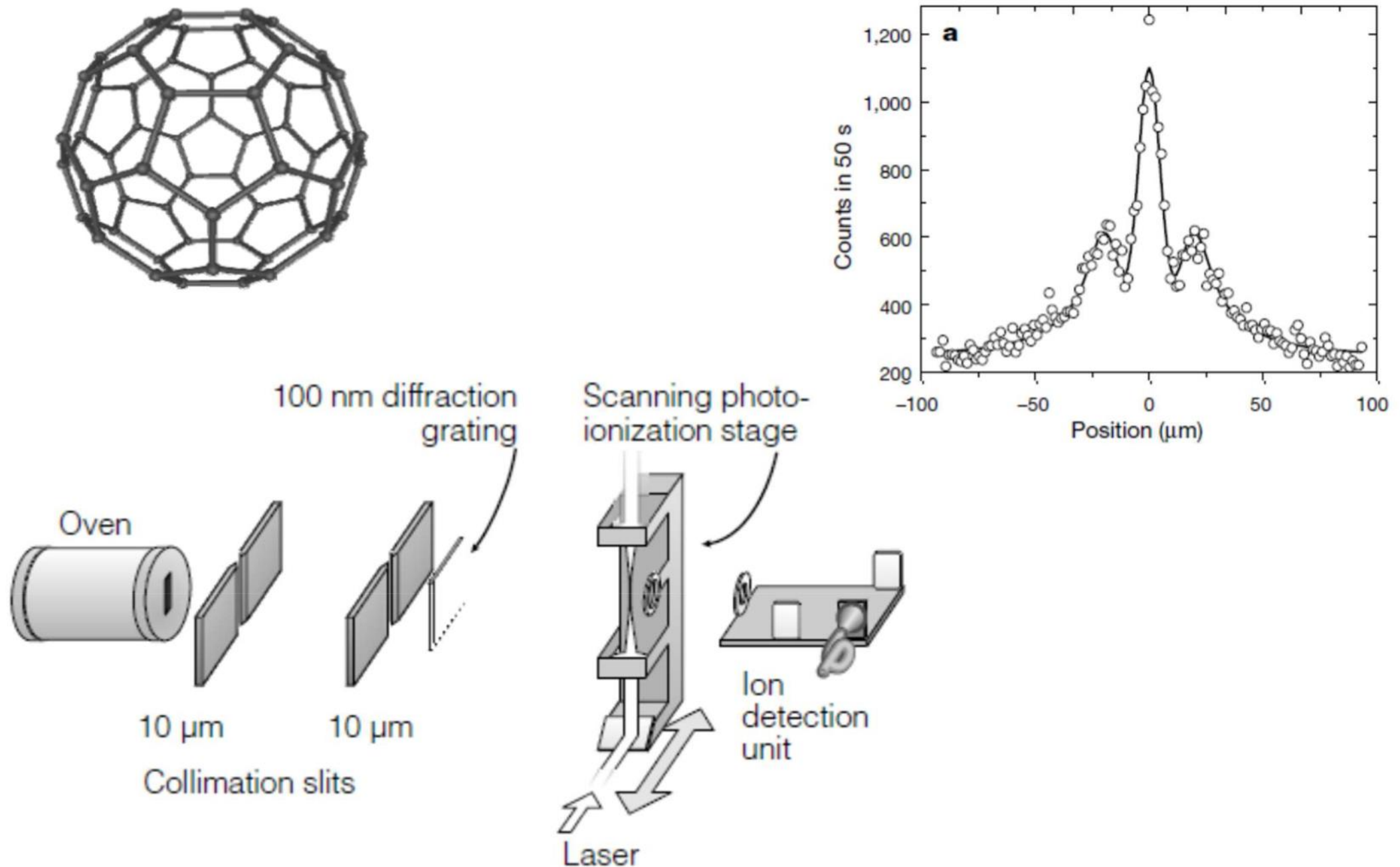
they observed the build up of the fringe pattern

# The Tonomura Experiment



# YDSE with Molecules

## Wave Property of $C_{60}$ molecule



**Markus Arndt et al, Nature 401, 680 (1999)**



# YDSE with Molecules

