Modifications to K-P Displacement Model & Stopping Powers

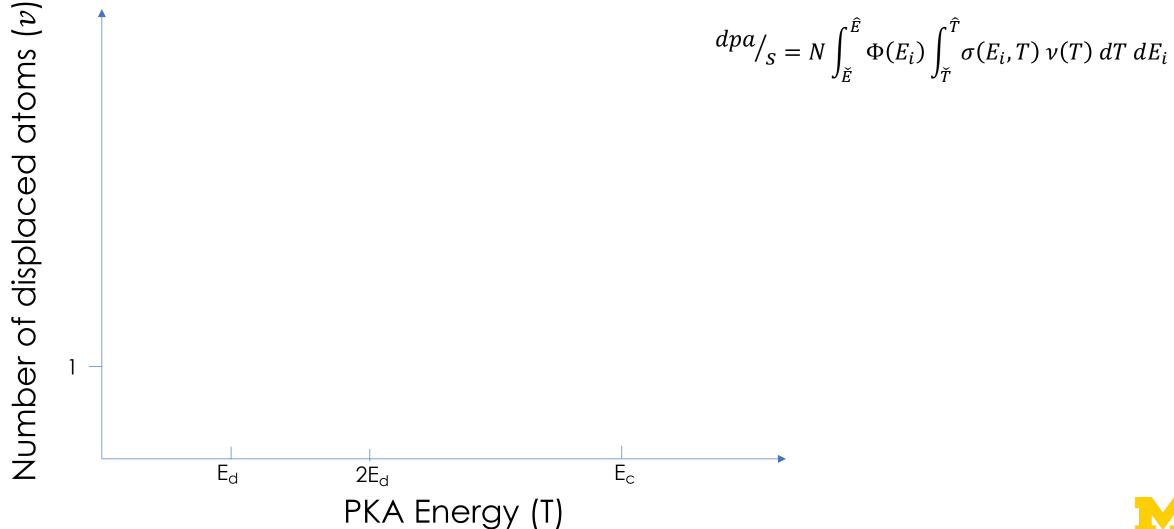
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Summary of Topics Covered





Example calculation...

Assume a pure piece of BCC iron is irradiated in a reactor with a monoenergetic flux of 5E13 cm³/s 1 MeV neutrons. Calculate the time it takes to reach 1 dpa in the iron sample.

$$R_d = N \int_{\tilde{E}}^{\hat{E}} \Phi(E_i) \int_{\tilde{T}}^{\hat{T}} \sigma(E_i, T) \nu(T) dT dE_i$$



Example calculation...



You might find this helpful:

Part I: The radiation damage event

Objective: Develop a fundamental understanding of the physics of the radiation damage event

| Day | Date | Lec. # | Topic | Lecture Notes | Assignments | Other resources/details |
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| Tuesday | Aug. 30 | 1 | Introduction | Notes / Recording | - | - |
| Thursday | Sept. 1 | 2 | Basic particle interactions | Notes / Recording | - | Alt. basic particle derivation |
| Tuesday | Sept. 6 | 3 | Collision Kinematics | Notes / Recording | | Collision Derivation |
| Thursday | Sept. 8 | 4 | Interatomic Potentials & Cross Sections | Notes / Recording | PS#1 | Flux/Fluence/Cross-sections/ hergy transfer quick review |
| Tuesday | Sept. 13 | 5 | Simple Disp. Theory | | - | Displacement Integrals // |
| Thursday | Sept. 15 | 6 | Energy loss & K-P modifications | | - | |
| Tuesday | Sept. 20 | - | Focus, Channel, Range | - | PS1 due | - |
| Thursday | Sept. 22 | 7 | No lecture - Prof. Field out of town | | | |
| Tuesday | Sept. 27 | 8 | Damage Cascades | | PS#2 | Arc-dpa Paper |



Example calculation...



Brain storming

• Why would the K-P model not be correct? (but reasonable)



Outline

Stopping Powers:

- Remember E_c
- Concept of stopping power
- Regimes of electronic energy loss
- Compare electronic and nuclear stopping

Modifications of K-P Model:

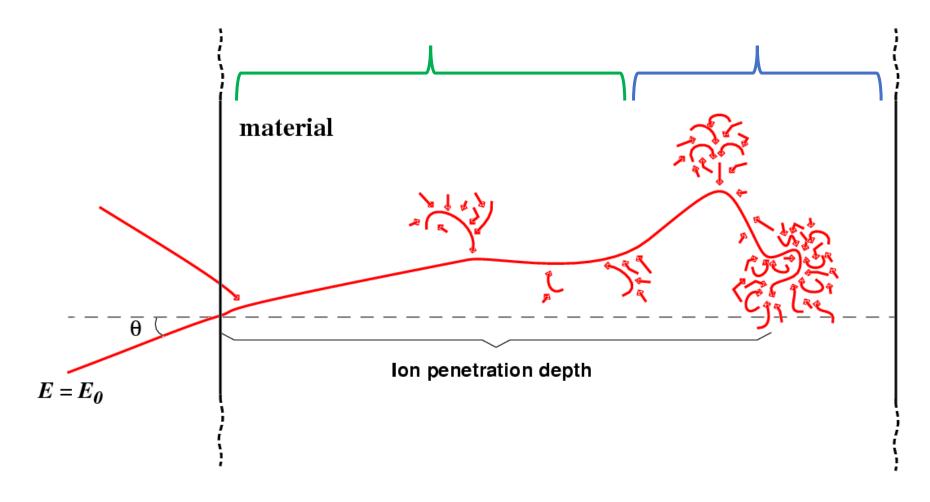
- Accounting for electronic energy loss
- Effects of crystallinity
- NRT model + Arc-dpa model

Goal: Understand the concept of stopping power and how different physics modifies the displacement model



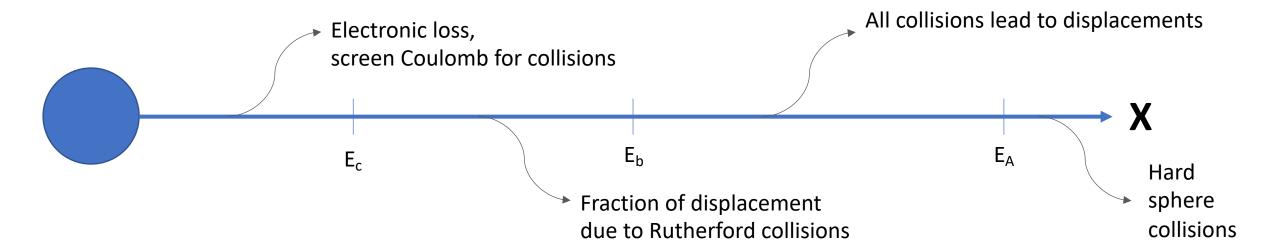
A simple picture of slowing down

• The slowing down process of an ion impacting on a surface:





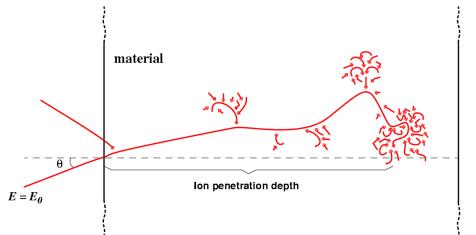
Regimes of energy loss of a PKA





The concept of stopping power

- Since the electronic collisions only slow down the ion, the effect of the electrons can be considered to be an average frictional force slowing down the ion
 - This is known as the electronic stopping power
- The collisions with ions can also be averaged and then considered a nuclear stopping power
- The nuclear reactions can also be averaged and considered a nuclear reaction stopping power

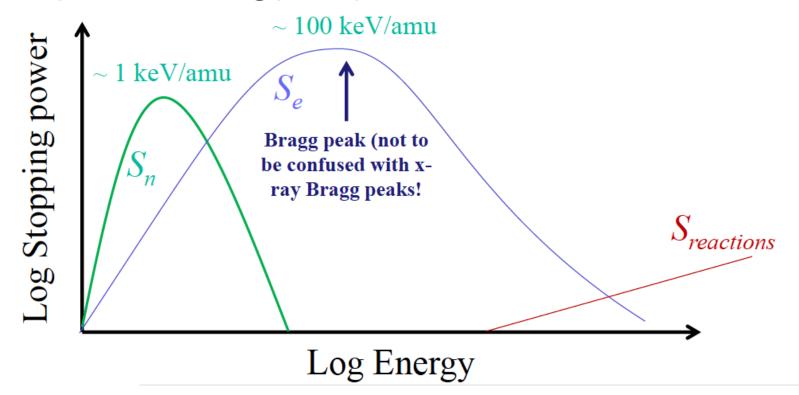




Stopping power

• The total stopping power can be written as

• Schematically, the energy dependence of these is then:





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Stopping power

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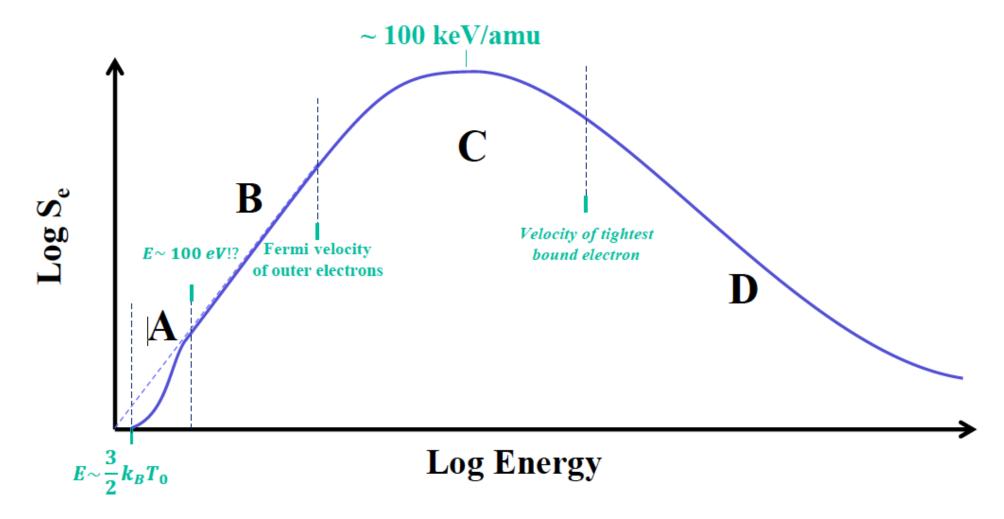
Terminology Notes:

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- In detector and space physics different terms are used:
- <u>Linear Energy Transfer (LET)</u> is used for total or <u>electronic stopping power</u>
- Total and electronic are about the same in this field due to the high energies (MeV and GeV)
- Non-ionizing energy loss is used for nuclear stopping power



Regimes of electronic stopping power

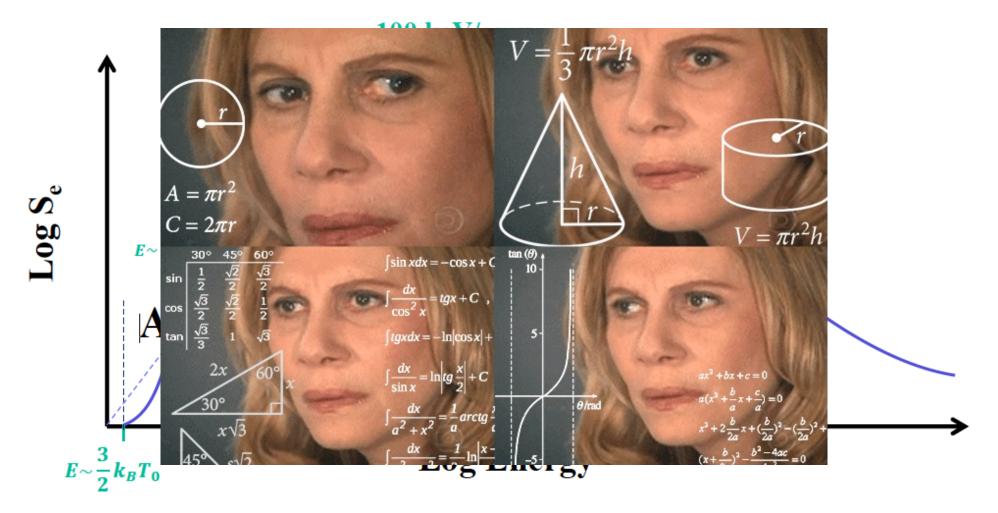
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Stopping powers

• $(-\frac{dE}{dx})_{total}$ can be written in terms of stopping power (units of energy * distance²):

$$\left(-\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_{total} = NS_n + NS_e$$

• Nuclear:

$$\left(-\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_{n} = \frac{N\pi Z_{1}Z_{2}\varepsilon^{4}}{E_{i}}\frac{M_{1}}{M_{2}}\ln\left(\frac{\gamma E_{i}}{\varepsilon^{2}\gamma E_{a}^{2}}\right)$$

• Electronic:

$$\left(-\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}x}\right)_{\mathrm{e}} = \frac{N2\pi Z_1^2 Z_2 \varepsilon^4}{E_{\mathrm{i}}} \frac{M}{m_{\mathrm{e}}} \ln\left(\frac{\gamma_{\mathrm{e}} E_{\mathrm{i}}}{\bar{I}}\right) = \frac{2\pi N Z_1^2 M \varepsilon^4}{m_{\mathrm{e}} E_{\mathrm{i}}} B \qquad B = Z_2 \ln\left(\frac{\gamma_{\mathrm{e}} E_{\mathrm{i}}}{\bar{I}}\right)$$



Relative Stopping Powers

• Compare S_e/S_n:

 Electronic stopping power dominates for high energy ions

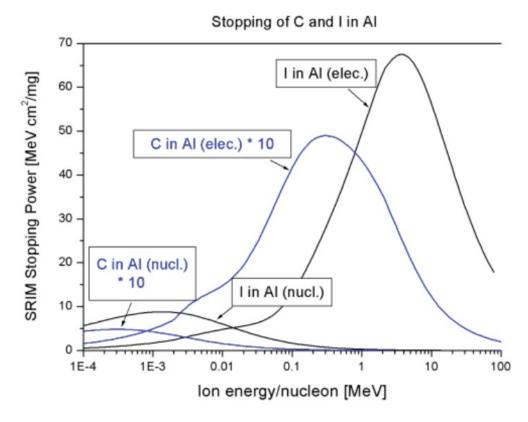


FIGURE 2. Electronic and nuclear mass stopping power for carbon and iodine ions in aluminum, calculated using SRIM.



Stopping powers

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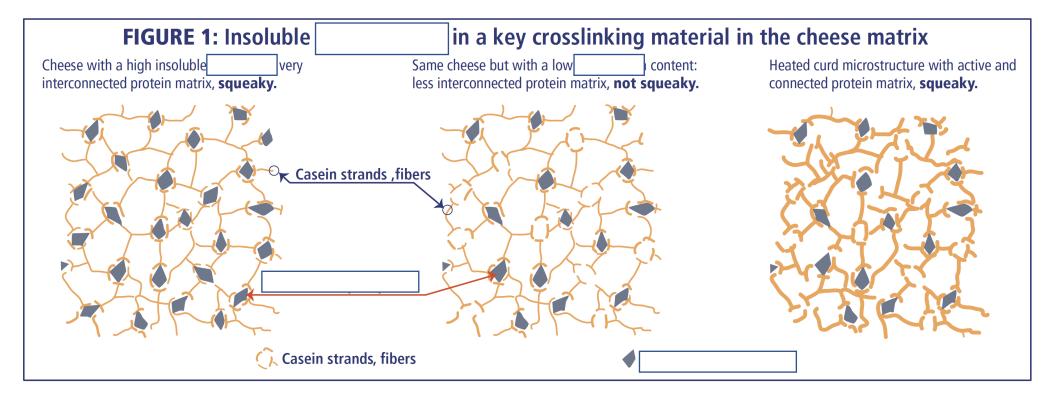
Table 1.7 Summary of energy loss rates for various types of interactions

| Type of interaction | Nuclear energy loss rate $\left(-\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_n$ | | Electronic energy loss rate $\left(-\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_{e}$ | |
|---------------------|--|---------|---|---------|
| High E Coulomb | $\frac{4N\pi Z^4 a_0^2 E_{\rm R}^2}{E_{\rm i}} \ln \left(\frac{a^2 c^2 E_{\rm i}^2}{4a_0^2 E_{\rm R}^2 Z^4} \right)$ | (1.134) | $N\pi \frac{Z_1^2 Z_2 \varepsilon^4}{E_{\rm i}} \frac{M}{m_{\rm e}} \ln \left(\frac{\gamma_{\rm e} E_{\rm i}}{\overline{I}} \right)$ | (1.173) |
| Low E | General expression: $\frac{8.462 \times 10^{-15} N Z_1 Z_2 M_1 S_n(\in)}{(M_1 + M_2)(Z_1^{0.23} + Z_2^{0.23})}$ | (1.169) | $k'E_{i}^{1/2}$ $k' = 3.83 \frac{Z_{1}^{7/6} Z_{2}}{M_{1}^{1/2} \left(Z_{1}^{2/3} + Z_{2}^{2/3}\right)^{3/2}}$ | (1.178) |
| | Inverse square: $\frac{\pi^2}{4}a^2NE_a\gamma$ | (1.159) | $kE_i^{1/2}$ | (1.190) |
| | Thomas–Fermi screening: $K \frac{NZ_1Z_2}{Z^{1/3}} \frac{M_1}{M_1 + M_2}$ where $Z^{1/3} = \left(Z_1^{2/3} + Z_2^{2/3}\right)^{1/2}$ and $K = \left(\frac{\pi}{e}\right) \varepsilon^2 a_0 = 2.8 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{cm}^2$ | (1.163) | $k = 8\sigma_e N \left(\frac{m_e}{M_1}\right)^{1/2}$ valid for $0 < E (keV) < 37Z^{7/3}$ | |

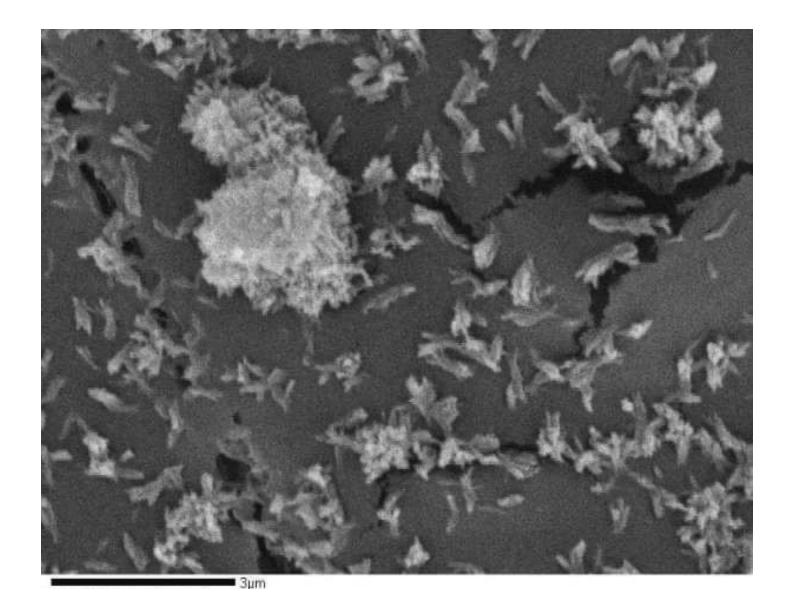


Lecture Break

According to Johnson and Polowsky (2016) what is the chemical compound in cheese curds that leads to the "squeak" or effectively the resistance of the casein (protein) to mechanical load when you bite them? Note, this compound dissolves due to the latic acid in the curd over time leading to a loss of the squeak after ~3-5 days.

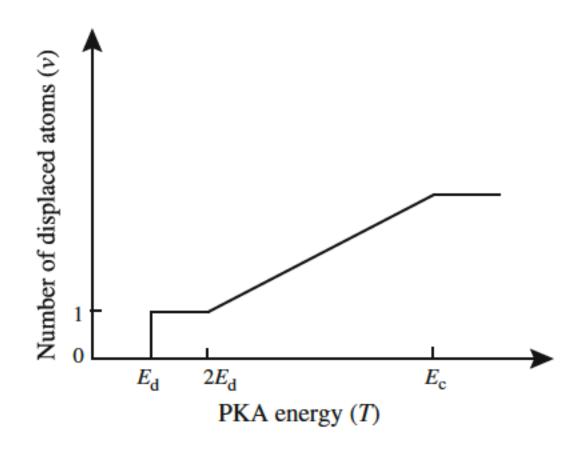


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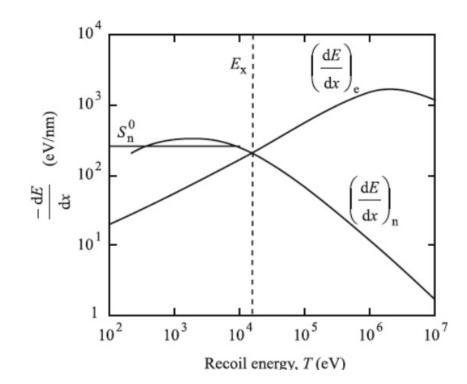


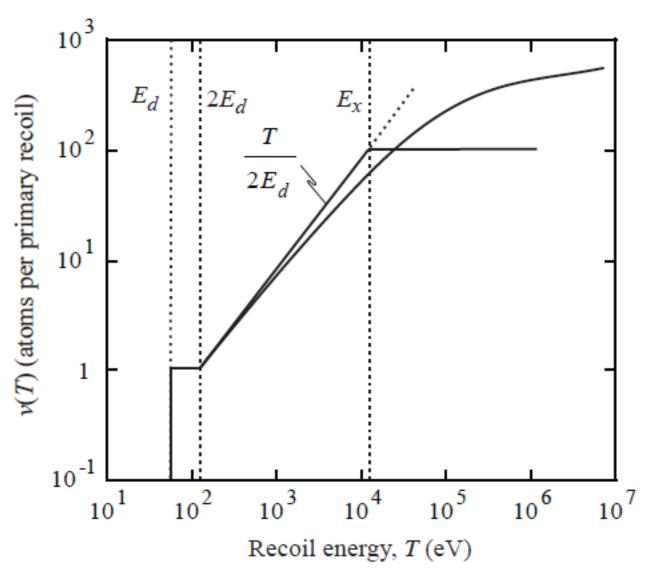
- Many factors to consider (and covered in text), but three are the most important:
 - 1. Correction for electron energy loss
 - 2. Use of a realistic crosssection
 - 3. Effect of crystallinity





- 1. Correction for electron energy loss
 - Nuclear power diminishing above $E_{\rm c}$ but does not disappear
 - Electronic stopping starts before E_c



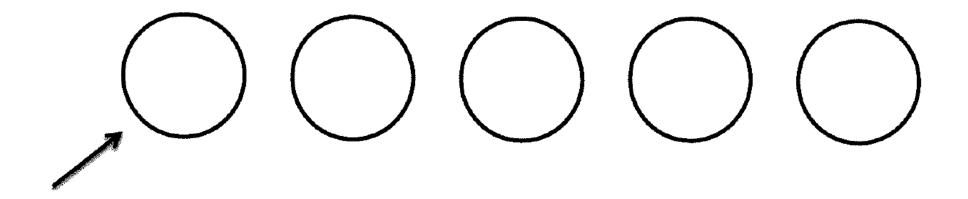




2. Use of realistic cross sections



A simple thought experiment



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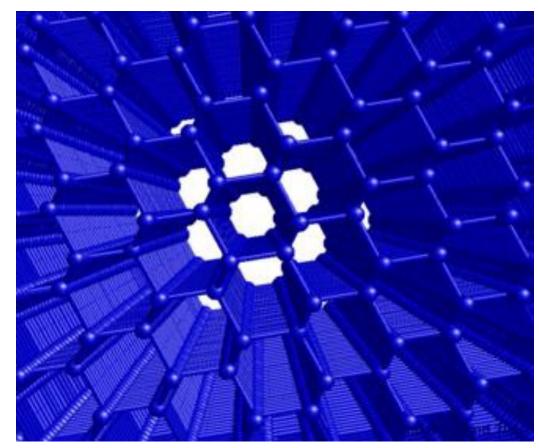


3. Effect of crystallinity:

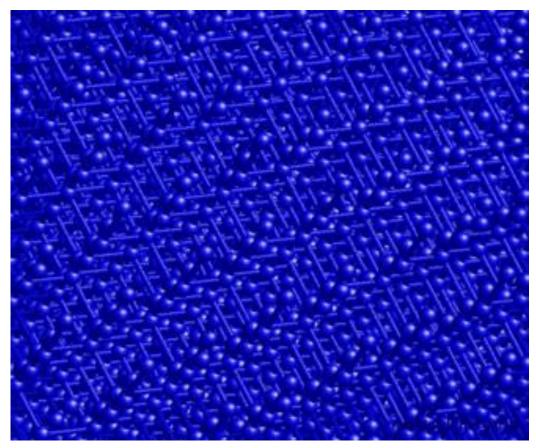
Focusing Channeling



Channeling



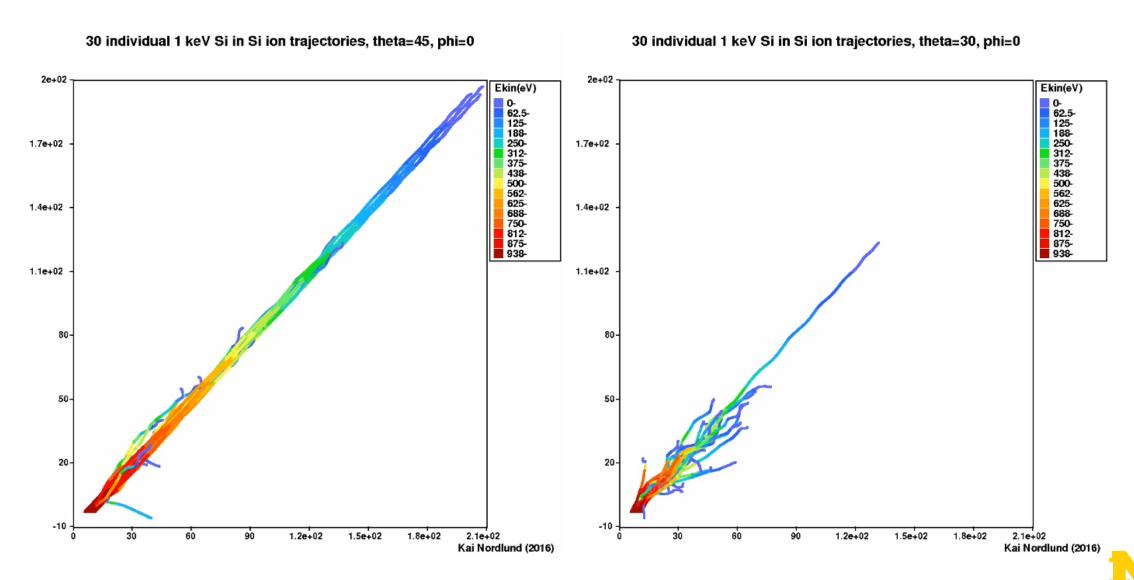
Down a primary zone axis



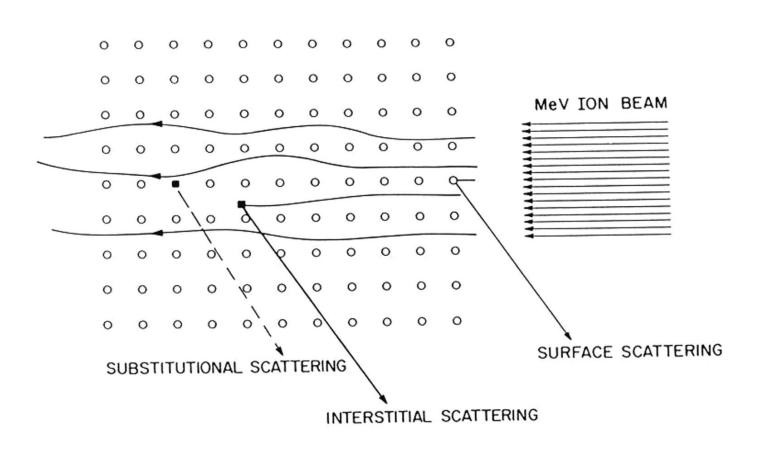
Down a random orienation

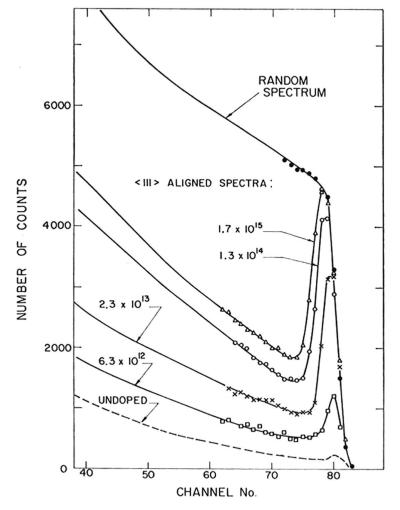


Channeling illustration



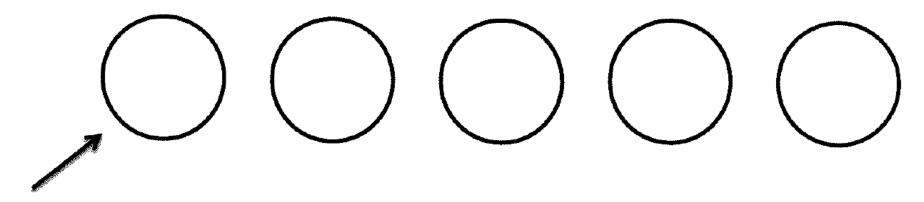
Practical Applications of Channeling







Focusing



- Close-packed energy transfer
- Simplest formalism assumes hard sphere collisions



Coming back to determining v(T)

Assumption

 $\#3 - loss of E_d$

Correction to v(T)

 $0.56\left(1+\frac{T}{2E_{A}}\right)$

Equation in text

(2.31)

#4 - electronic energy loss cut-off

$$\xi(T) \left(\frac{T}{2E_d} \right)$$

(2.50)

#5 – realistic energy transfer cross-section $C\frac{T}{2E_d}$, $0.52 \le C \le 1.22$

n
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(2.33), (2.39)

#6 – crystallinity

$$\frac{1-P}{1-2P} \left(\frac{T}{2E_d}\right)^{(1-2P)} - \frac{P}{1-2P}$$

(2.104)

$$\sim \left(\frac{T}{2E_d}\right)^{(1-2P)}$$

(2.105)



NRT Model

• NRT:

Accounts for Frenkel pair defect efficiency

Used in ASTM E693 to convert neutron flux to dose rate (dpa/s) for steels!!!

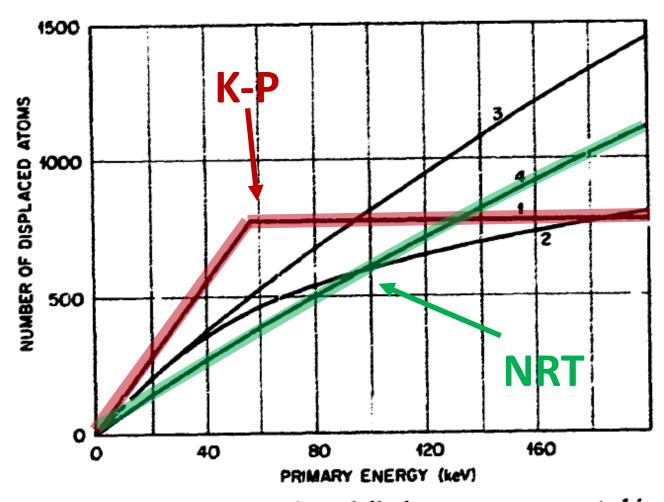


Fig. 2. Comparison of number of displaced atom. Zenerated in bcc iron by a primary knock-on atom. Calculated results for-respond to: (1) Kinchin-Pease model with $E_d = 40$ eV and $E_1 = 56$ keV; (2) the half-Nelson formula [4]; (3) earlier computer calculations of Norgett [18], using Torrens-Robinson computer simulation program [11]; and (4) the proposed formula, eqs (5)-(10).

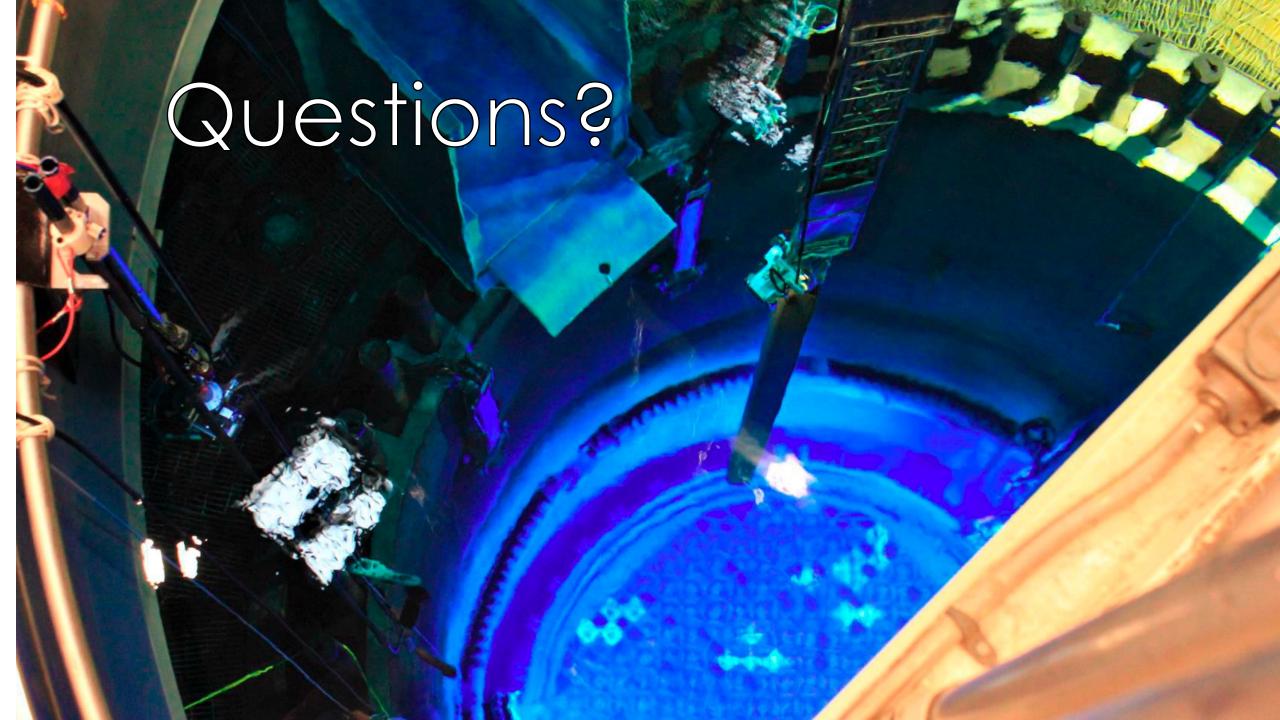
Arc-dpa model

- Over the past 30 years it has become clear that the NRT method for determining dpa in metals is not correct
 - This is due to recombination, which we'll discuss in a few lectures
- To correct the NRT model, the "athermal-recombination corrected dpa", arc-dpa equation was proposed:

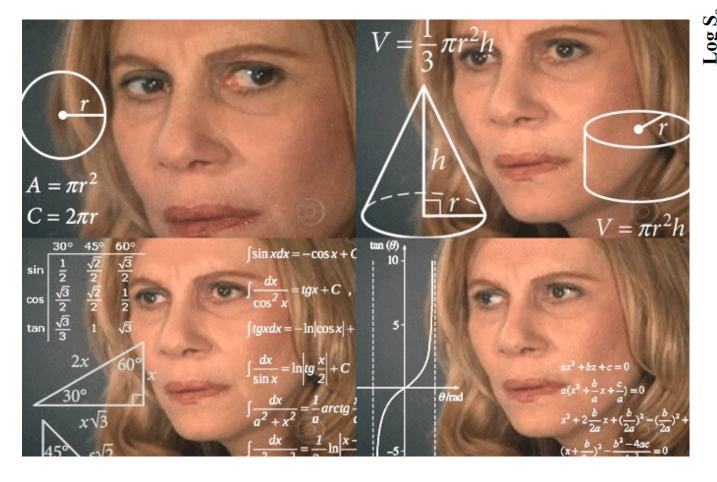
$$N_{d,arcdpa}(T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \text{when} & T < E_d \\ 1 & \text{when} & E_d < T < 2E_d \\ \frac{0.8 T}{2E_d} \xi(T) & \text{when} & 2E_d < T < \infty \end{bmatrix}$$

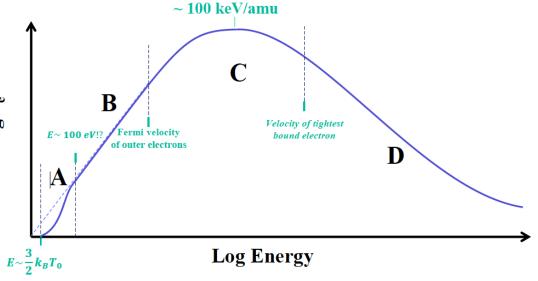
$$\xi(T) = \frac{1 - c_{arcdpa}}{(2E_d/0.8)^{b_{arcdpa}}} T^{b_{arcdpa}} + c_{arcdpa}$$





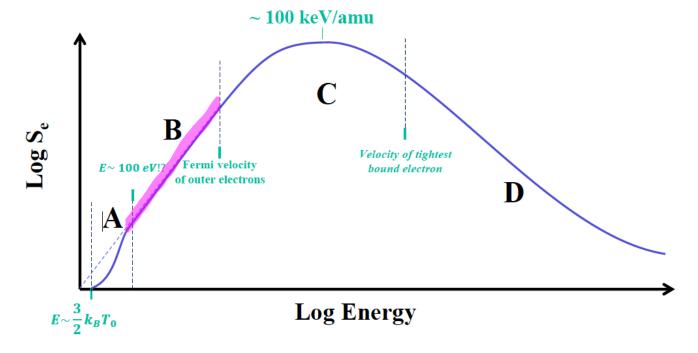
Regime A: low energy regime





The lowest energy regime is the least well known without simple analytical forms

Regime B: LSS theory

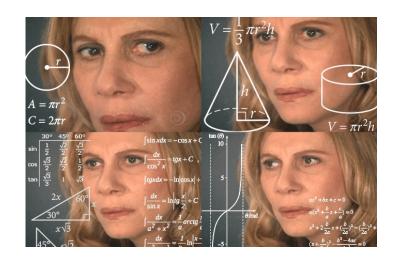


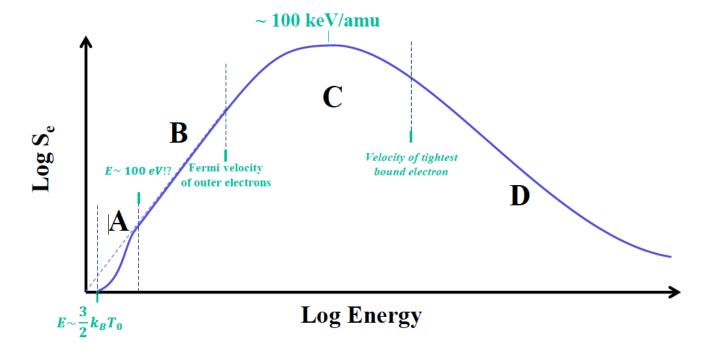
 At higher energies than region A the stopping is almost perfectly linear to the ion velocity,

- This regime has an upper limit at the Fermi velocity of the outermost electron of the material
- Regime and derivations agree well with experiments



Regime C:

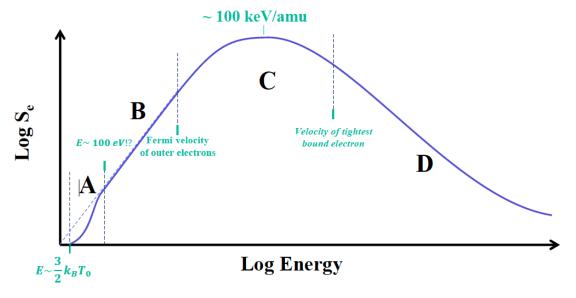




- The maximum region in the stopping power is a regime where the moving ion is partly ionized, and its charge state fluctuates
- I.e. it undergoes stochastic charge exchange processes with the atoms of the material
- There is no simple analytical equation that can describe this region fully reliably

Regimes of D: Bethe-Bloch

 The highest-energy regime can be well understood based on the Bethe-Bloch theory, derived already in the 1930's



- At these high energies, the moving ion is fully or highly charged and does not change charge state
- The Bethe-Bloch equations derive the stopping power quantum mechanically for a charged particle moving in a homogeneous electron gas

$$\left(-\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}x}\right)_{\mathrm{e}} = \frac{N2\pi Z_1^2 Z_2 \varepsilon^4}{E_{\mathrm{i}}} \frac{M}{m_{\mathrm{e}}} \ln\left(\frac{\gamma_{\mathrm{e}} E_{\mathrm{i}}}{\bar{I}}\right) = \frac{2\pi N Z_1^2 M \varepsilon^4}{m_{\mathrm{e}} E_{\mathrm{i}}} B \qquad B = Z_2 \ln\left(\frac{\gamma_{\mathrm{e}} E_{\mathrm{i}}}{\bar{I}}\right)$$

