

6 Figure 6.1 shows the end of an electron diffraction tube.

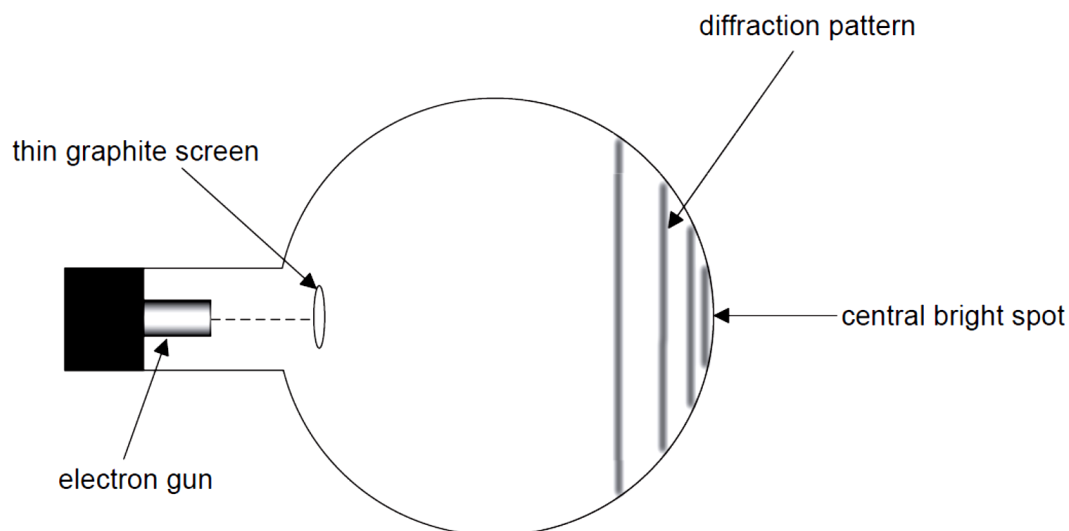


Fig. 6.1

A diffraction pattern of concentric circles forms when diffracted electrons are incident on a fluorescent layer at the end of the tube.

(a) (i) Explain the meaning of the term diffraction

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(ii) State the condition necessary for electrons to produce observable diffraction when passing through matter, e.g. a thin sheet of graphite.

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(b) An electron with charge  $-q$  and mass  $m$  is made to accelerate from rest in the above evacuated tube through a potential difference of 120 V.

(i) State what is meant by the *de Broglie wavelength*.

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- (ii) Calculate the de Broglie wavelength of the electron.

de Broglie wavelength = ..... m [4]

- (iii) The potential difference  $V$  is now increased slightly. State and explain how the diffraction pattern that forms would change.

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## Section B

Answer **one** question in this section in the spaces provided.