

EE 213, Microscopic Nanocharacterization of Materials

Lecture 4. W2016

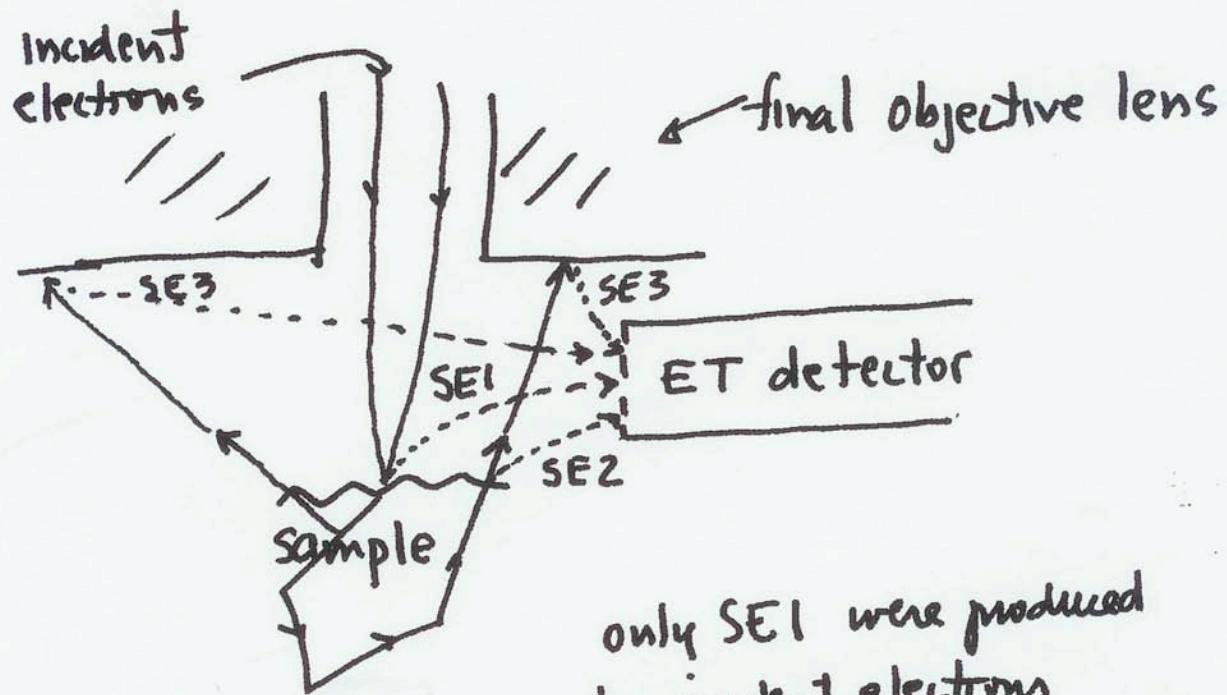
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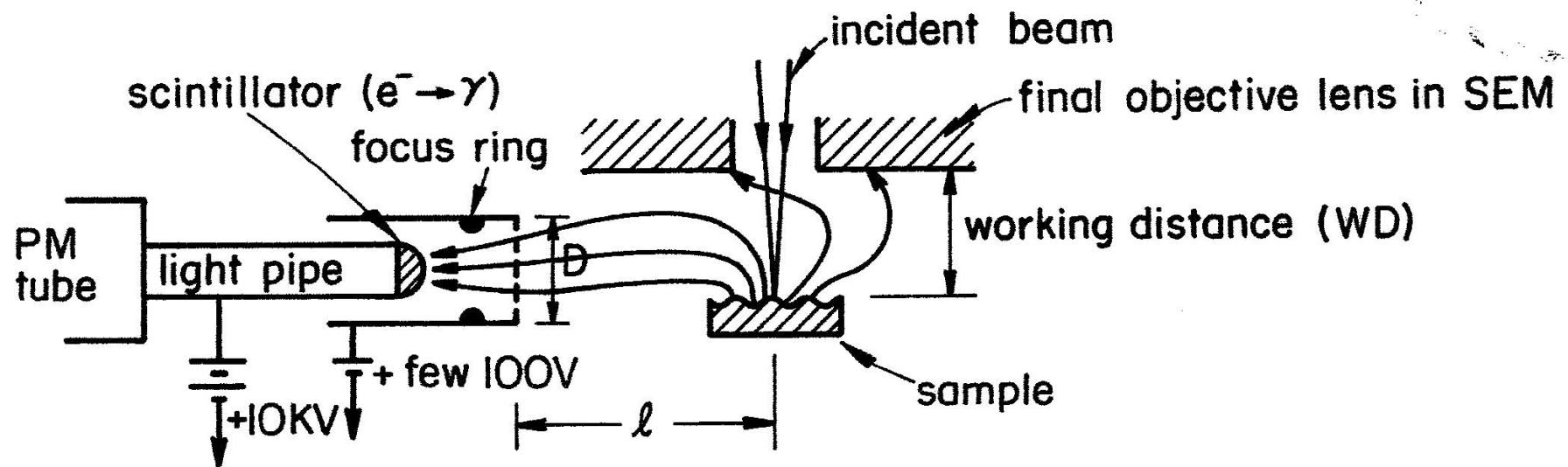
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From Where do the secondaries Come?

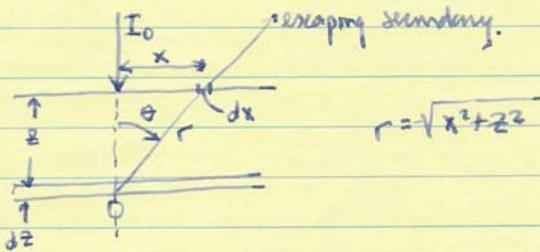


only SE1 were produced
by incident electrons
at point of impact
near surface.

- SE2 depends on sample
- SE3 indep. of sample



Secondary Electron Yield (i)



1. secondary e^- produced at depth z will have probability of escape of $P(z)/P(0) = e^{-r/\lambda_{sec}}$. Beer's law.

2. assume isotropic emission of secondaries in the ield.
then # produced at depth z at point O \rightarrow which escape:

$$dI(z) = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} e^{-r/\lambda_{sec}} \cdot 2\pi r dr$$

ring at surface.

3. probability of incident electron of energy E_0 produce inelastic collision at depth Z is:

$$P_{in}(z) = dz / \Lambda_{in}(z)$$

- 4- if current at depth z is $I(z)$, then rate of production at z is $I(z)P_{in}(z)$.

if we assume that most secondaries that escape are within Λ_{in} of surface ($\Lambda_{sec} < \Lambda_{in}$) then $I(z) \approx I_0$

\therefore rate of production of inelastic events at z is:

$$I_0 dz / \Lambda_{in}(z)$$

Secondary Electron Yield - 2

5. if we assume that if there is enough energy lost in an inel. collision, we produce a secondary e^- , then # secondaries/inel. collision, N_{sec}

$$N_{sec}/N_{inel} \approx \frac{\bar{E}_{in}^{loss}}{\bar{E}_{sec}} \rightarrow \text{the secondary } e^- \text{ energy}$$

6. now just use average energy lost per collision and avg. energy of secondary e^-
then rate at which secondaries produced
at depth z escape surface is:

$$dI_{sec}(z) = I_0 \frac{dz}{\lambda_{in}} \frac{\bar{E}_{in}^{loss}}{\bar{E}_{sec}} dI(z)$$

7. for sample t think then

$$I_{sec} = \int_0^t I_0 \frac{dz}{\lambda_{in}} \frac{\bar{E}_{in}^{loss}}{\bar{E}_{sec}} \int_0^z \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} e^{-r/\lambda_{sec}} Z(t) dx$$

8. if $\lambda_{sec} \ll \lambda_{in}$ so $\Lambda_{in}(z) = \Lambda_{in}(E_i)$, or if $\bar{E}_{in}^{loss} \ll E_i$

$$\text{then } \frac{d_{sec}}{I_0} = \frac{I_{sec}}{I_0} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\bar{E}_{in}^{loss}}{\bar{E}_{sec} \Lambda_{in}(E_i)} \underbrace{\frac{1}{\lambda_{sec}} \int_0^t dz \int_0^z \frac{x e^{-r/\lambda_{sec}}}{r^2}}$$

results in
exponential integral
of 2nd kind

$$q. \therefore \boxed{S_{sec} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\bar{E}_{in}^{loss}}{\bar{E}_{sec}} \frac{N_{sec}}{\Lambda_{in}(E_i)} [1 - E_2(t/\lambda_{sec})]}$$

Secondary Electron Yield - 3

$$\delta_{SEC} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\bar{E}_{in}^{loss}}{\bar{E}_{sec}} \frac{\Lambda_{sec}}{\Lambda_{in}(E_A)} [1 - E_2(t/\Lambda_{sec})]$$

where $E_2(t/\Lambda_{sec}) = \int_1^\infty \frac{dy}{y} e^{-ty/\Lambda_{sec}}$ | tables.

$E_2(t/\Lambda_{sec}) \rightarrow 0$ as $t/\Lambda_{sec} \rightarrow \infty$, i.e. bulk solid
 $\rightarrow 1$ as $t/\Lambda_{sec} \rightarrow 0$

∴ for bulk solids $\boxed{\delta_{SEC}(\infty) \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\bar{E}_{in}^{loss}}{\bar{E}_{sec}} \frac{\Lambda_{sec}}{\Lambda_{in}(E_A)}}$

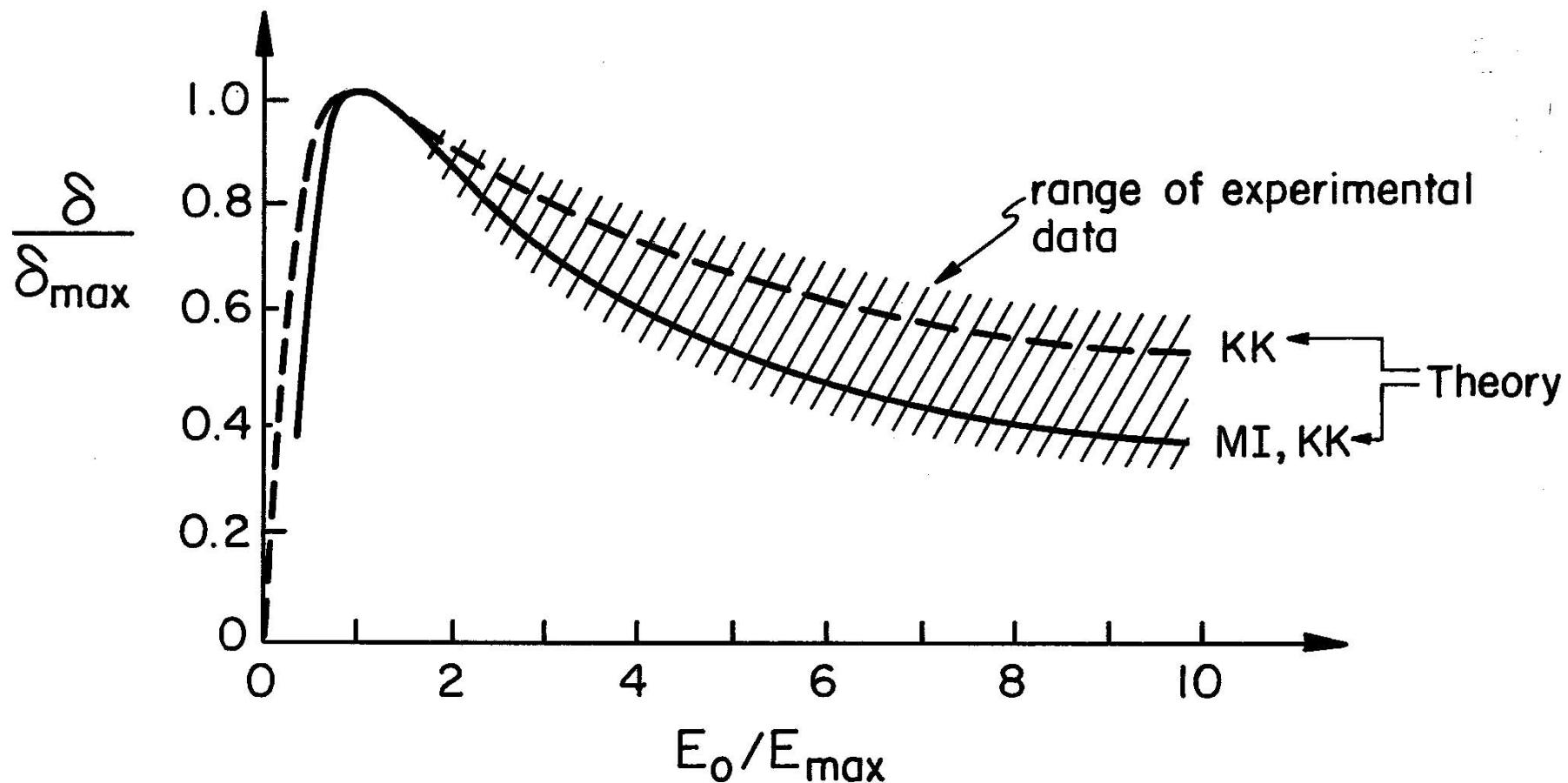
should be valid for $E_A > E_m$, energy where
 Secondary yield is max.

NOTE: this predicts correct shapes of yield
 curves vs energy

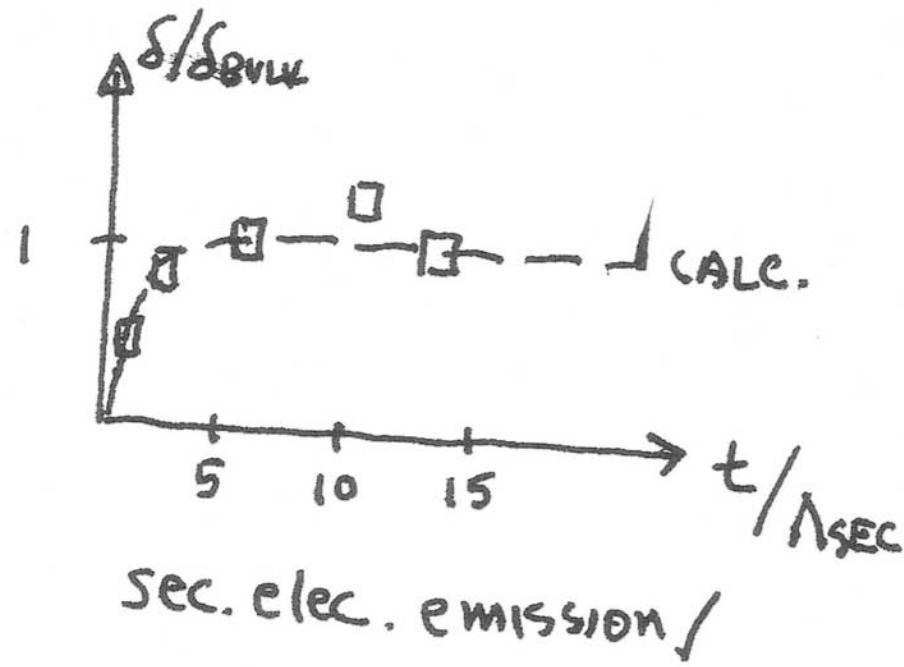
as well as agreement with experiment ✓

Secondary emission from bulk targets

Electron Beam Induced Secondary Electron Emission



Secondary emission from thin films



$$\delta_{\text{SEC}} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\overline{E_{\text{IM}}}}{E_{\text{SEC}}} \frac{\lambda_{\text{SEC}}}{\lambda_{\text{IM}}(E_0)} [1 - E_2(t / \lambda_{\text{SEC}})]$$

exp. from Voreades (1976). Surf. Sci. 60, 325-348.

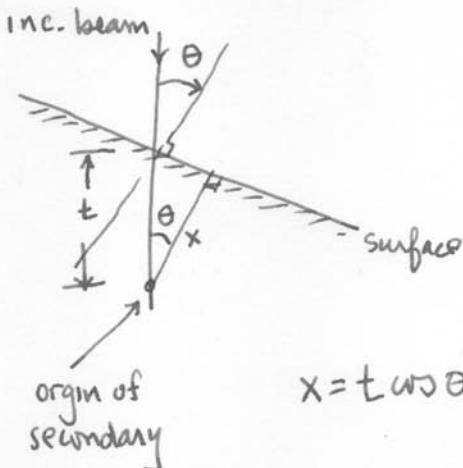
$$\delta_{\text{SEC}} \cong \frac{1}{2} \frac{\overline{E_{\text{INC}}^{\text{LOSS}}}}{\overline{E_{\text{SEC}}}} \frac{\Lambda_{\text{SEC}}}{\Lambda_{\text{IN}}(E_{\text{INC}})}$$

assumed \perp incidence



what if non- \perp incidence?

Angular Dependence of Secondary Electron Emission



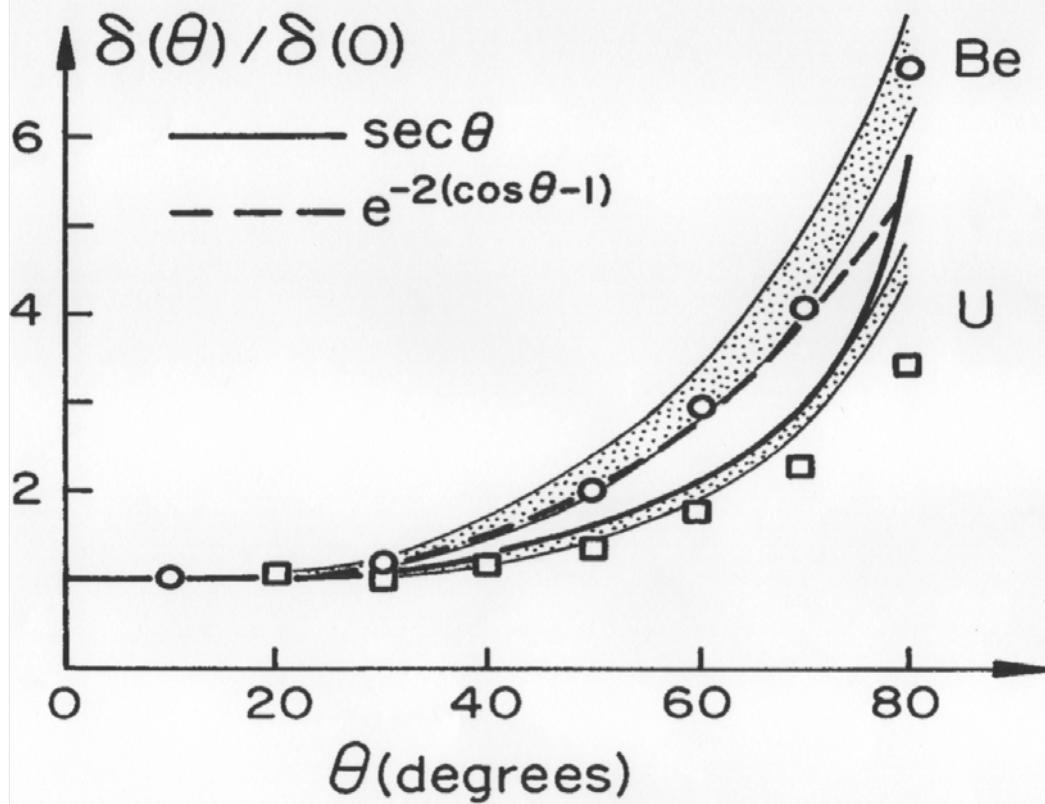
$$\frac{I_{\text{esc}}}{I_{\text{produced}}} = e^{-t \cos \theta / \lambda_{\text{sec}}}$$

mfp of secondary electrons

$$\text{secondary yield} = \delta = \frac{I_{\text{esc}}}{I_{\text{inc}}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\delta(\theta)}{\delta(0)} = \frac{e^{-t \cos \theta / \lambda_{\text{sec}}}}{e^{-t / \lambda_{\text{sec}}}} = e^{\frac{t}{\lambda_{\text{sec}}} (\cos \theta - 1)}$$

Angular Dependence of Secondary Electron Emission



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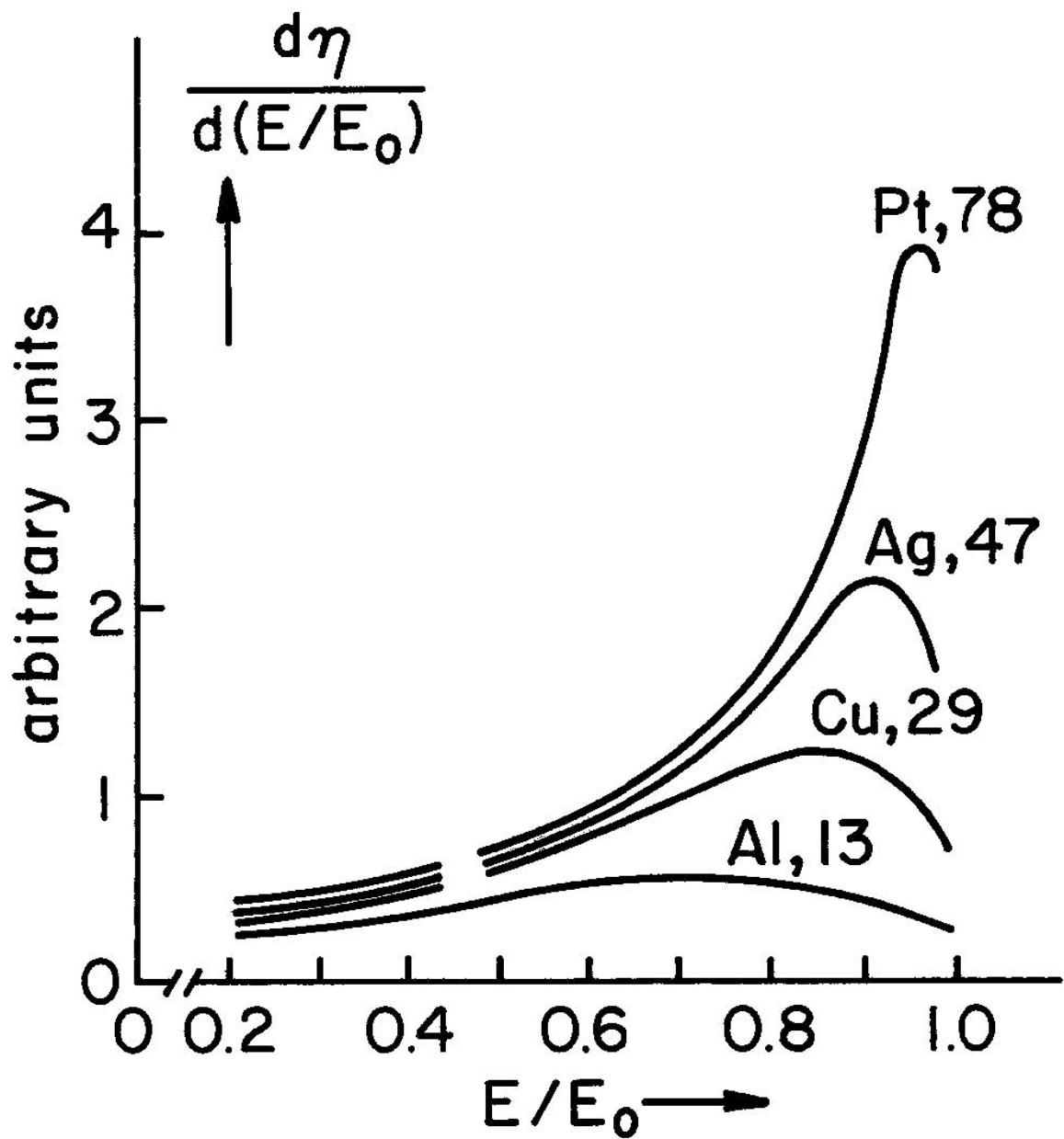
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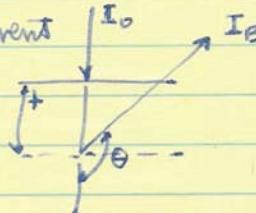
Electron Backscattering.

probability of interaction, $P = n \sigma dx$

\therefore current scattered into a solid $\Delta\Omega$ by elastic scatt,

$$\frac{dI_{el}}{d\Omega} = I_0 n t \frac{d\sigma_{el}}{d\Omega} \quad (\text{from thickness } t)$$

- if we assume a large scattering event takes electrons out of sample



\therefore the backscattering yield is then:

$$\eta = \frac{I_B}{I_0} = \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} 2\pi \sin\theta d\theta \frac{dI_B}{d\Omega}$$

assuming large $\Delta\Omega$ events are only Rutherford scattering

then $\frac{dI_B}{d\Omega} = \frac{dI_B}{d\Omega} = I_0 n t \frac{d\sigma_{el}}{d\Omega}$ the Rutherford reaction.

but $\frac{d\sigma_{el}}{d\Omega} = \text{const} \frac{Z^2}{E_0^2} \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta/2)}$

$$\therefore \eta = \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} 2\pi \sin\theta d\theta I_0 n t (\text{const}) \frac{Z^2}{E_0^2} \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta/2)}$$

$$\boxed{\eta = K n t Z^2} \quad \text{where } K = \frac{\gamma^2 \lambda^4}{16 \pi^3 \alpha_0 Z}$$

NOTE: K is material independent with $\gamma = (1 - m_e c^2)^{-1/2}$
 only depends on me electrons //

$$\lambda = \left[\frac{h^2}{2mE_0(1 + \frac{E_0}{2mc^2})} \right]^{1/2} \text{ relativistic wavelength}$$

Electron Backscattering. 2.

$$\eta = Kntz^2$$

so this says the BSE yield is linear with thickness.

But, if t too large,
multiple scattering,
so electron cannot
scatter back into
material.



And if $t \rightarrow$ Range of electrons in material, $\eta \rightarrow$ constant.

One other problem.

if t in the linear region of η , K is too small
by 2-3x experimental values.
(reasonable since we assumed only 1 scatt. event)

But all other properties of η are predicted by this simple expression.

Let's see if we can now get the expression for a solid target. To do this we just need to find the "effective" depth from which the backscattered electrons come. t_{EFF} .

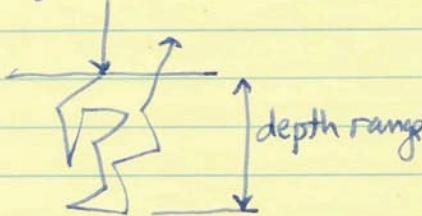
To do this, we need to find the range (depth) of the electrons in the material,

Electron Backscattering-3

The "depth" range or "maximum interaction depth" is the depth in the material beyond which few electrons travel. It is not the "total range" or total path of the electrons before stopping.

the depth range
is less than total

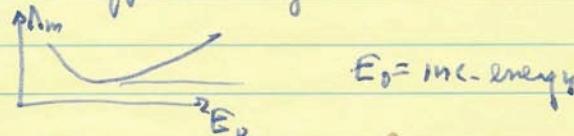
range because of
sideways scattering (primarily elastic)



We calculate the "Bethe Range" which is path due to inelastic events, and such calculate Λ_{in} for every collision until electron loses almost all its energy.

$$R_i(E_0) = \int_{E_s}^{E_0} \frac{\Lambda_{in}(E)dE}{E_{in}} \quad \text{avg-energy lost/million}$$

E_s is the "stopping energy", it is an energy beyond which there is little additional effect on range because Λ_{in} is so small.



$$\boxed{\Lambda_{in}(E_0) = \frac{E_0}{35.9n\sqrt{Z}} \ln\left(\frac{4E_0}{E_{in}}\right)} \quad \text{our handy-dandy simple expression}$$

where Λ_{in} in Å, E_0, E_{in} in eV, n in $\text{cm}^{-3}/\text{Å}^3$

Electron Backscattering - 4

the "Bethe Range" or inelastic range is:

$$R_i(E_0) = \int_{E_s}^{E_0} \frac{A_m(E)dE}{E_{in}}$$

Expression not accurate at low energies, since if $E_s < E_{in}/4$, then $\ln(4E_0/E_{in})$ blows up.
so we generally take $E_s > E_{in}$.

using $E_{in} \approx 12.3\sqrt{Z}$ meV we can evaluate $R_i(E_0)$ analytically.

For $E_0 \gg E_s$ we get

$$R_i(E_0) = \frac{11.32 \times 10^{-4}}{nZ} \frac{E_0^2}{\ln\left(\frac{325E_0}{\sqrt{Z}}\right)}$$

in Å, with
 E in meV,
 n in #/ \AA^3

One can show using Monte Carlo calculations
that the "depth Range" R is related to R_i as:

$$R \approx R_i Z^{-4/3}$$

i.e. large atom # means more inelastic scattering

Electron Backscattering .5.

Now we estimate the effective BE depth.

The avg. energy the backscattered electrons have after escaping the sample is

$$\bar{E}_B = E_0 - Z\Delta E \quad \text{which assumes an energy loss between in and out}$$

↓ ↑
 t_{eff}

∴ the effective energy, the electrons has before being backscattered is

$$E_{\text{eff}} \approx E_0 - \Delta E = \frac{1}{2}(E_0 + \bar{E}_B)$$

thus, using this we can find out how far into the solid the electrons has gone before being backscattered.

\bar{E}_B is gotten from experimental measurements or MC ~~etc~~ simulation.

$$\therefore \frac{R_a(E_{\text{eff}})}{R_a(E_0)} = 1 - \left(\frac{E_{\text{eff}}}{E_0} \right)^2 \frac{\ln(-325E_0/\bar{E}_B)}{\ln(-325E_{\text{eff}}/\bar{E}_B)}$$

this changes by $\approx 10\%$ from $Z=14 \rightarrow 79$

and with $E_0 = 1-50 \text{ keV}$

we get $\boxed{\frac{R_a(E_{\text{eff}})}{R_a(E_0)} \approx .45}$ over that range

Electron Backscattering - 6. int

$$\therefore R_{\text{EFF}} = R_{\text{EFF}} = R_i^{\text{EFF}} Z^{-1/3}$$

$$\text{or } t_{\text{EFF}} = 0.45 Z^{-1/3} R_i^{\text{EFF}}$$

$$\therefore \eta = k n t_{\text{EFF}} Z^2$$

since the K for Rutherford scattering is about 2-3x less than experiments we just multiply the K by 2.5 and get

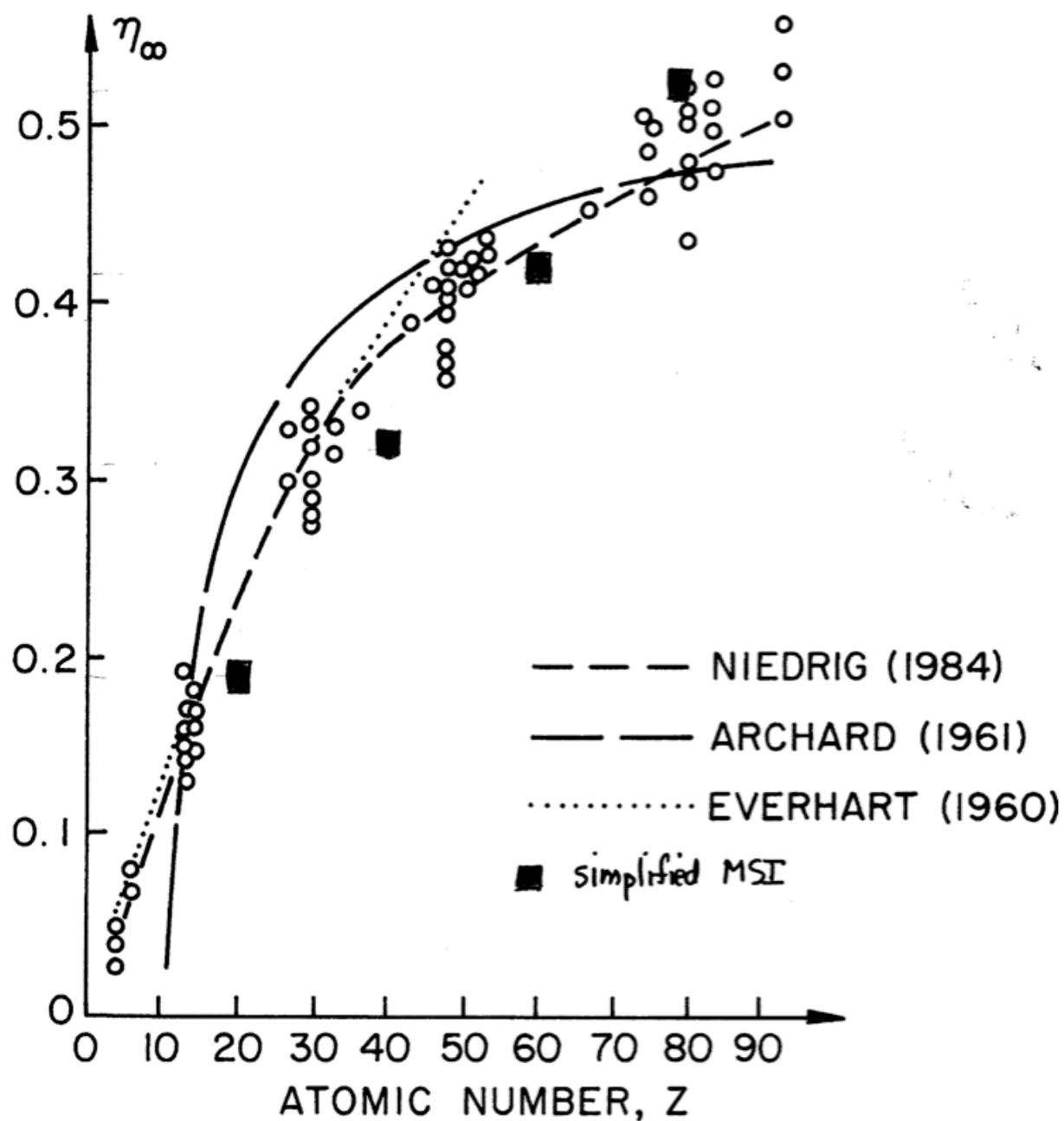
$$\eta \approx \frac{0.21 Z^{4/3}}{\ln(0.325 E_0 / \sqrt{Z})} \quad E_0 \text{ meV}$$

this gives reasonable agreement with exp. data.

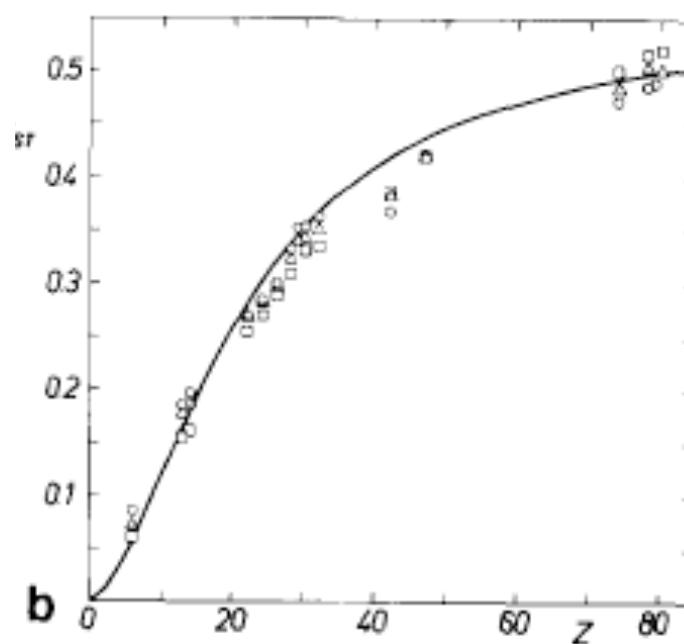
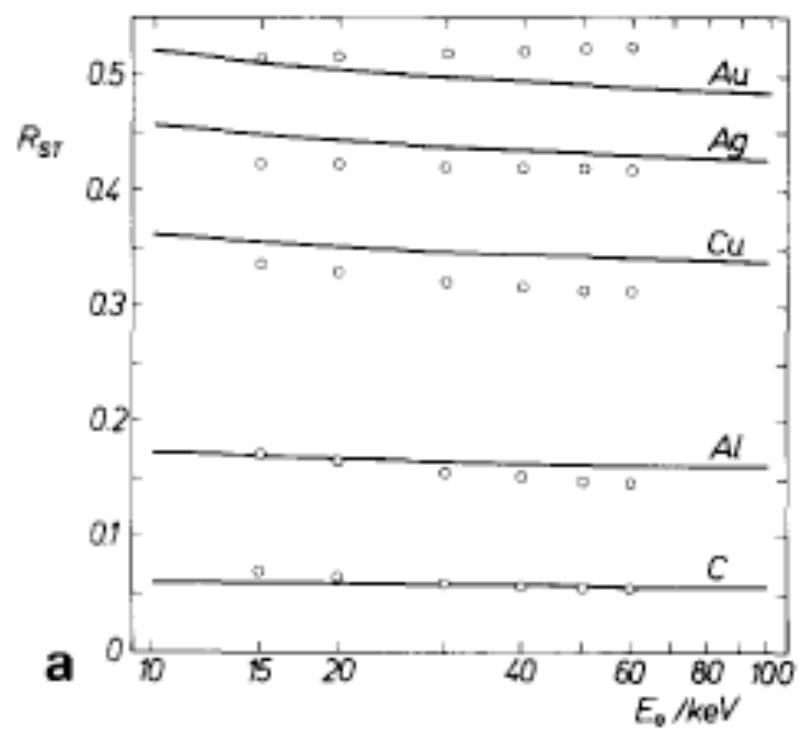
it is a bit high at high Z
and is off a ~~bit~~ bit at low E_0 //

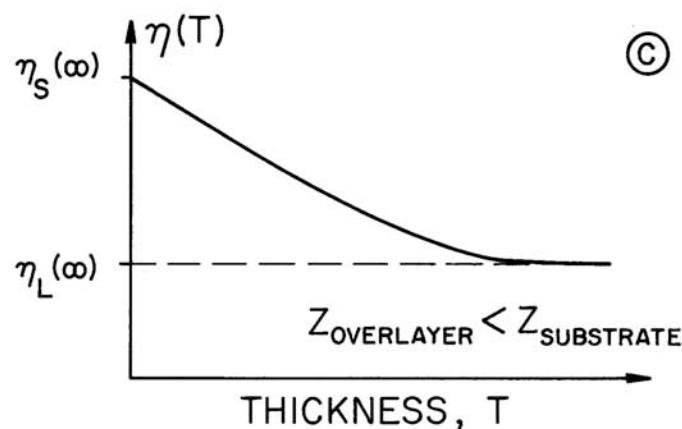
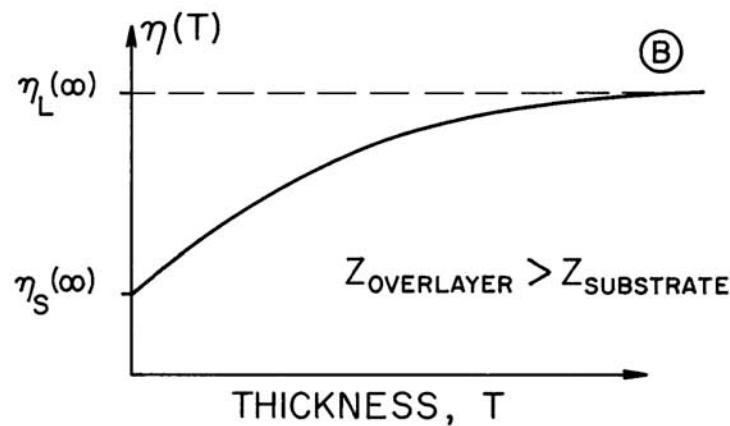
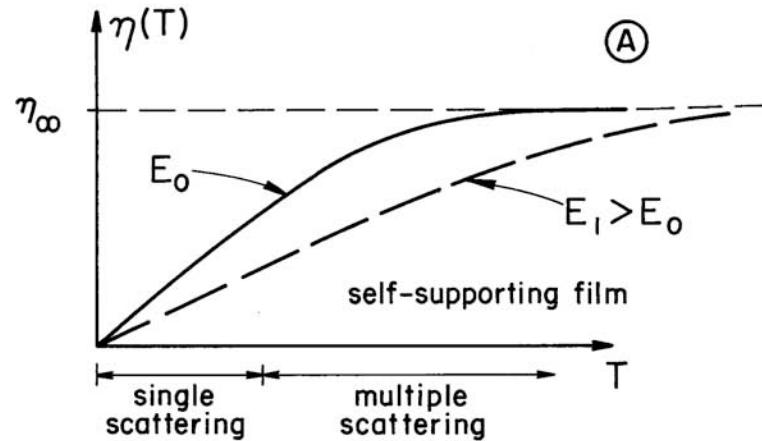
but agrees within 20% with experiment
and monte carlo simulations

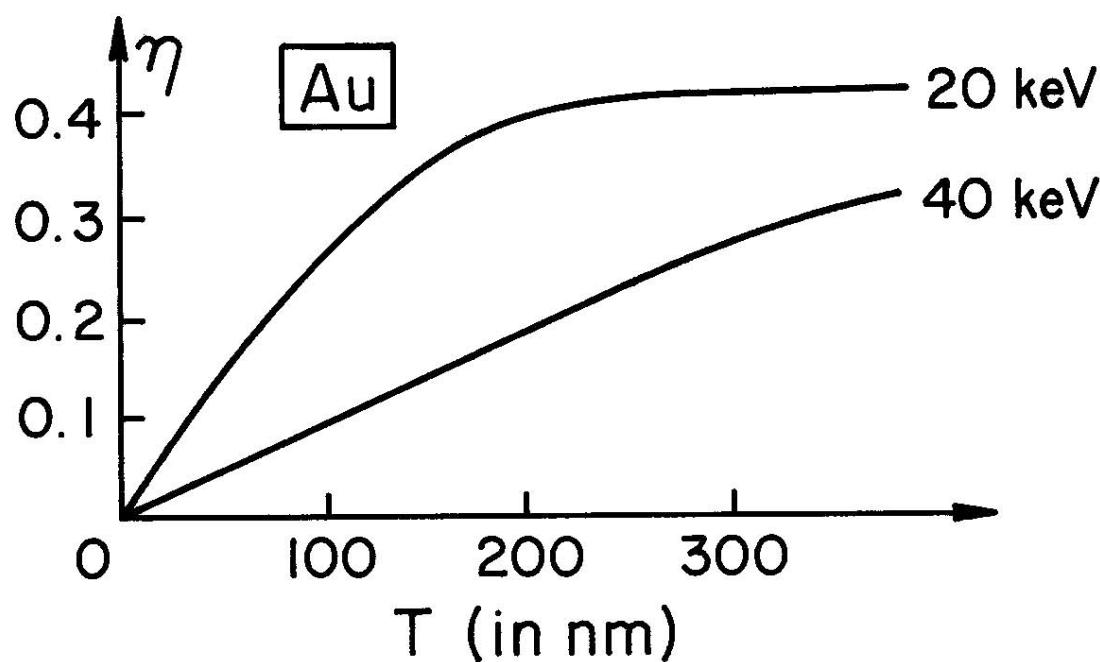
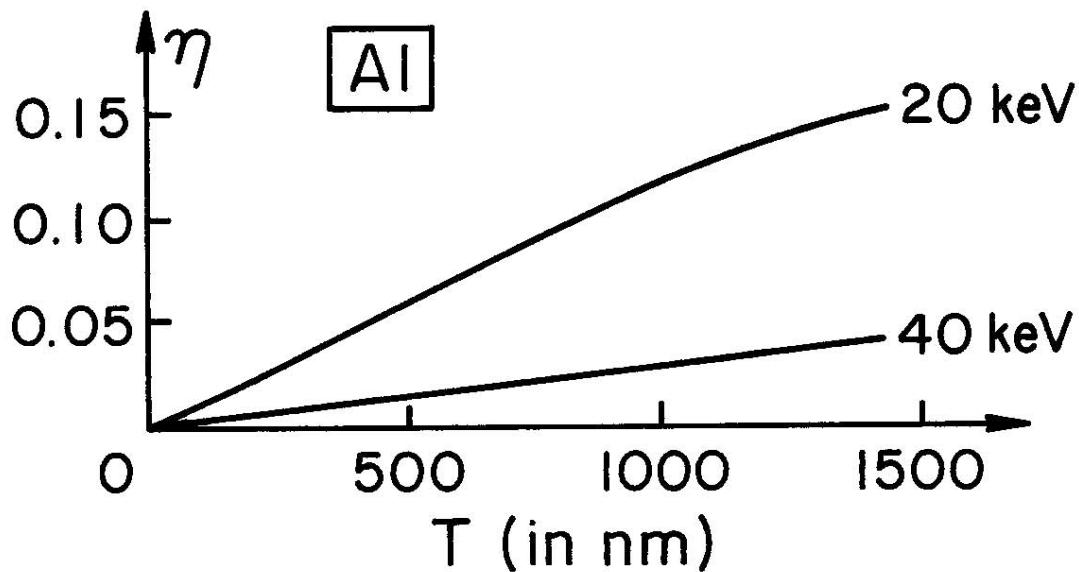
Electron Backscattering Yield

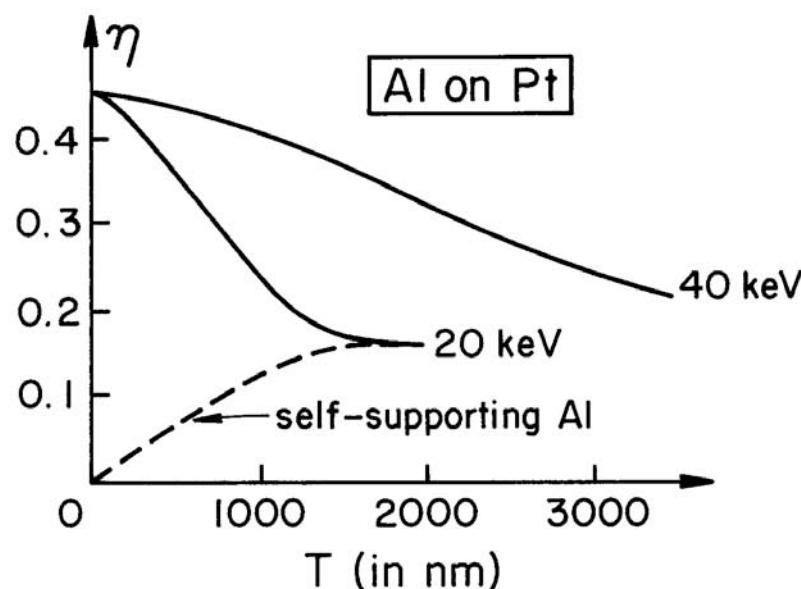
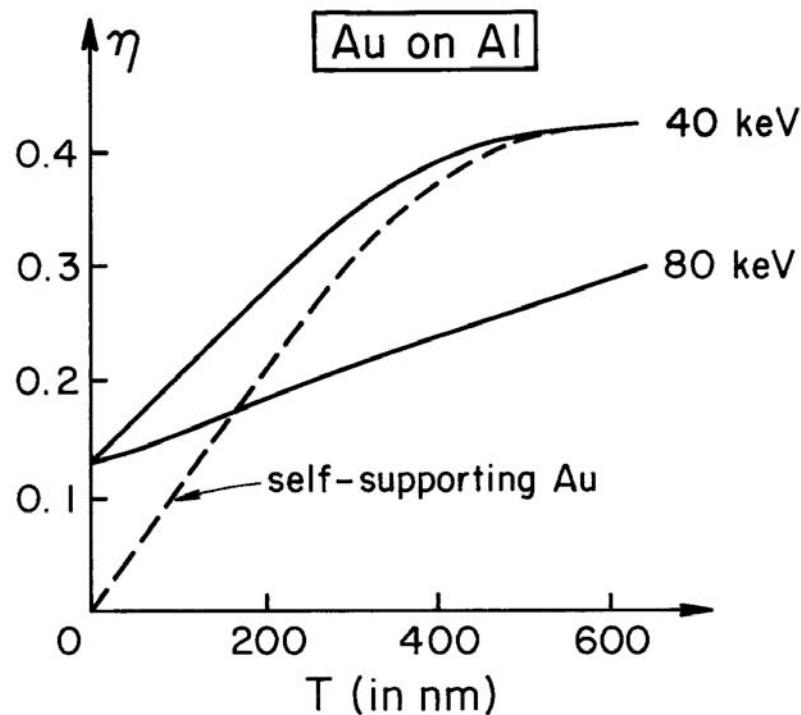


Electron Backscattering Yield Measurements

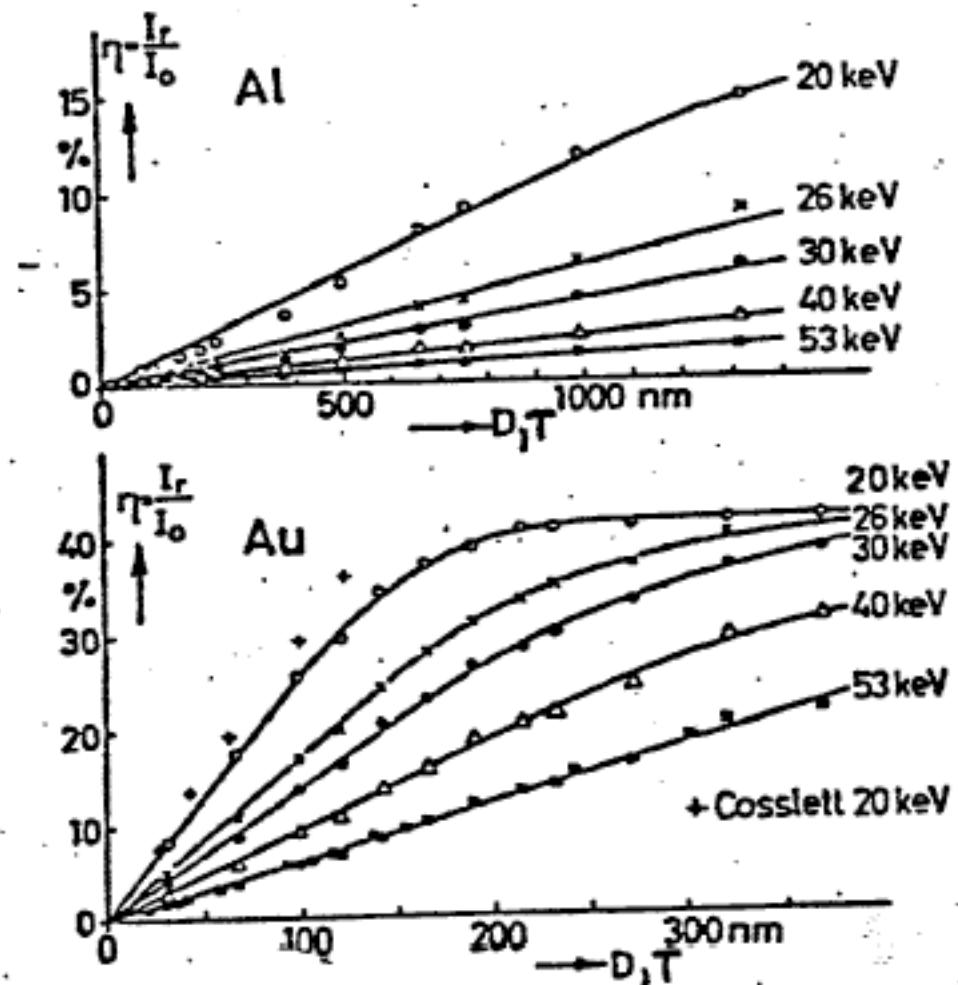








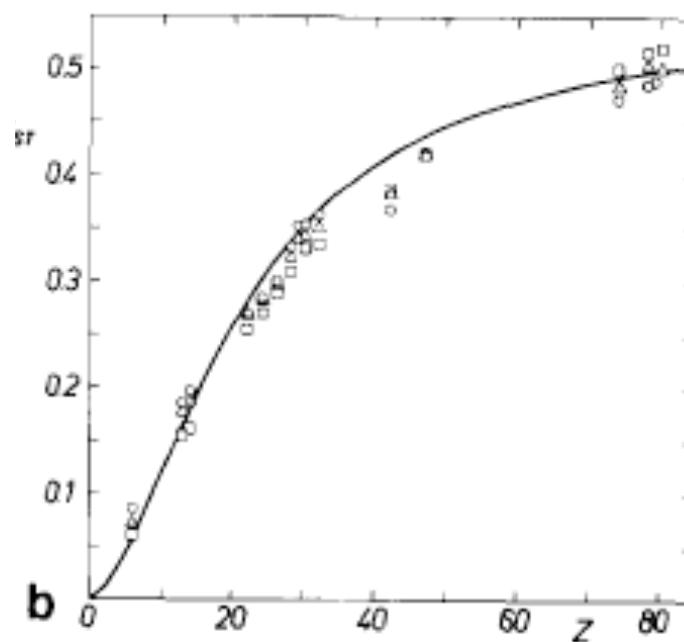
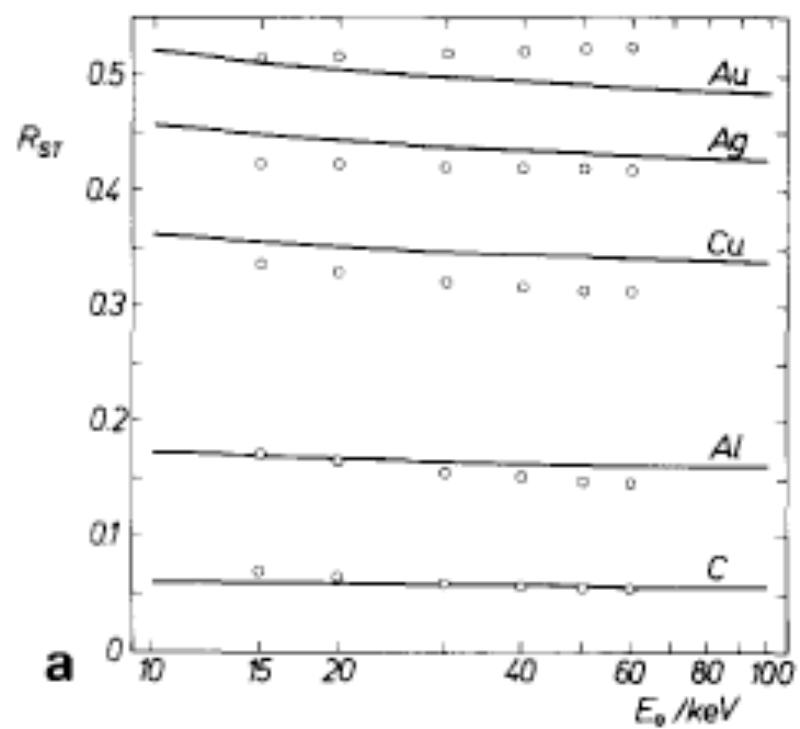
Experimental Measurements of Electron Backscattering in Thin Films



From H. Niedrig. J. Appl.
Phys. 53, R15 (1982)

Experimental values of the backscattering ratio versus film thickness for aluminium and gold. Normal incidence. Parameter: energy of the incident electrons (Niedrig and Sieber⁴, Rohn and Niedrig⁶).

Electron Backscattering Yield Measurements



g. 4. Comparison of the computed backscattering probability R_{ST} for a solid target as a function of the incident energy E_0 (a) and the atomic number Z (b) with results of measurements from Neubert and Rogaschewski [13] (a) and from Bishop [15] for 5 (\circ), 10 (\triangle) and 30 keV (\square) (b).

from Werner, et.al..Ultramicroscopy.8(4).417. (1982)

Electron Backscattering. I.

for thin films, we got for simple Rutherford scatt.

$$\eta = C_R n t z^2$$

$$\text{where } C_R = \frac{\lambda^4}{16\pi^3 a_0^2}, \quad a_0 = 0.529 \text{ Å}$$

$\lambda = \text{elec. wavelength}$

for bulk films we found effective depth of BSE, $t_{\text{eff}} \approx 0.45 z^{-1/3} R_I(E_0)$

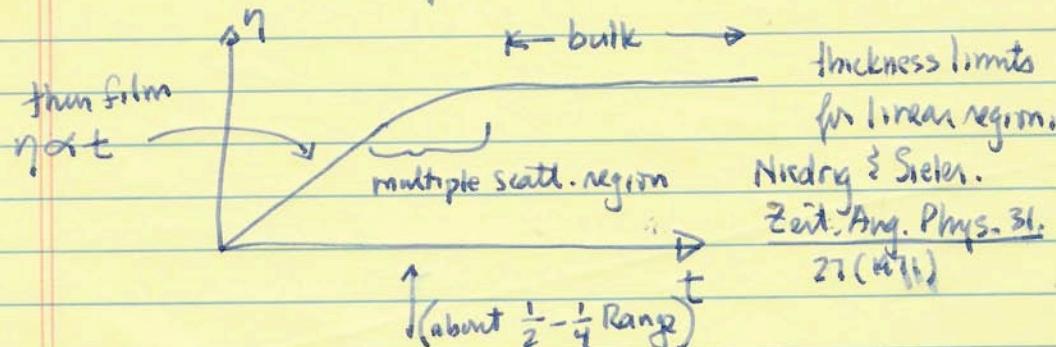
that gave,

\uparrow
Bethe " or
inelastic range

$$\boxed{\eta_{\text{bulk}} = \frac{0.21 z^{2/3}}{\ln(0.325 E_0 / \sqrt{z})}}$$

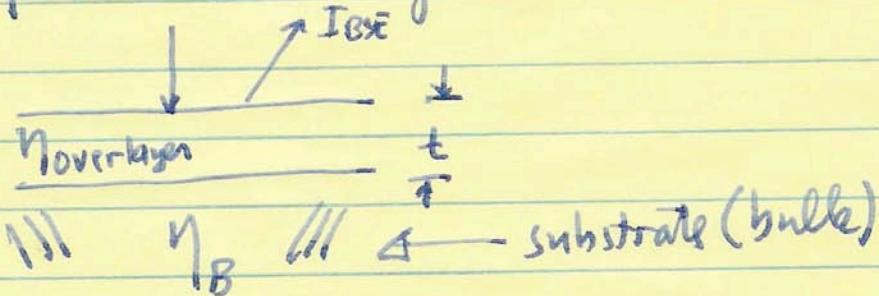
bulk BSE w_{eff}
 $E_0 \text{ in eV} //$

reasonable agreement with experiment



Electron Backscattering - 2.

what is η for an "overlayer"



here we have BSE from "overlayer" as well as
from the bulk substrate.

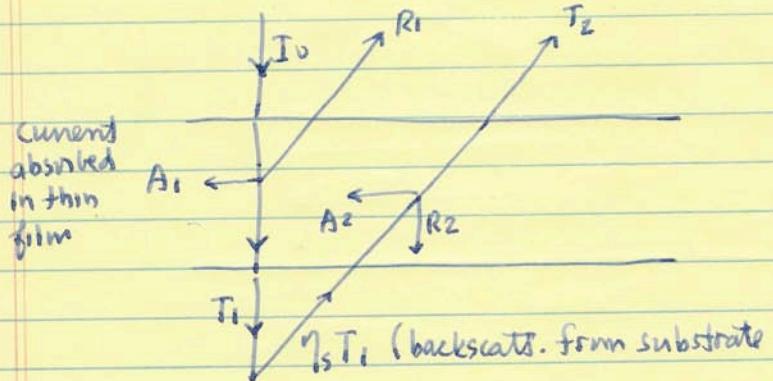
but it is not just simple

$$\eta \neq \eta_0 + \eta_s$$

the backscatt. yield of
a self-supporting film
of thickness t //

we need to look carefully at what is going on.

Electron Backscattering. 3



$$R_1 = \eta_0 I_0 \quad \text{BSE from film directly (haven't gone to substrate)}$$

$$T_1 = \eta_T I_0 \quad \text{current transmitted to substrate}$$

where $\eta_T = \text{transmission yield} = e^{-\mu_f t}$

$\mu_f = \text{transmission coefficient of film}$

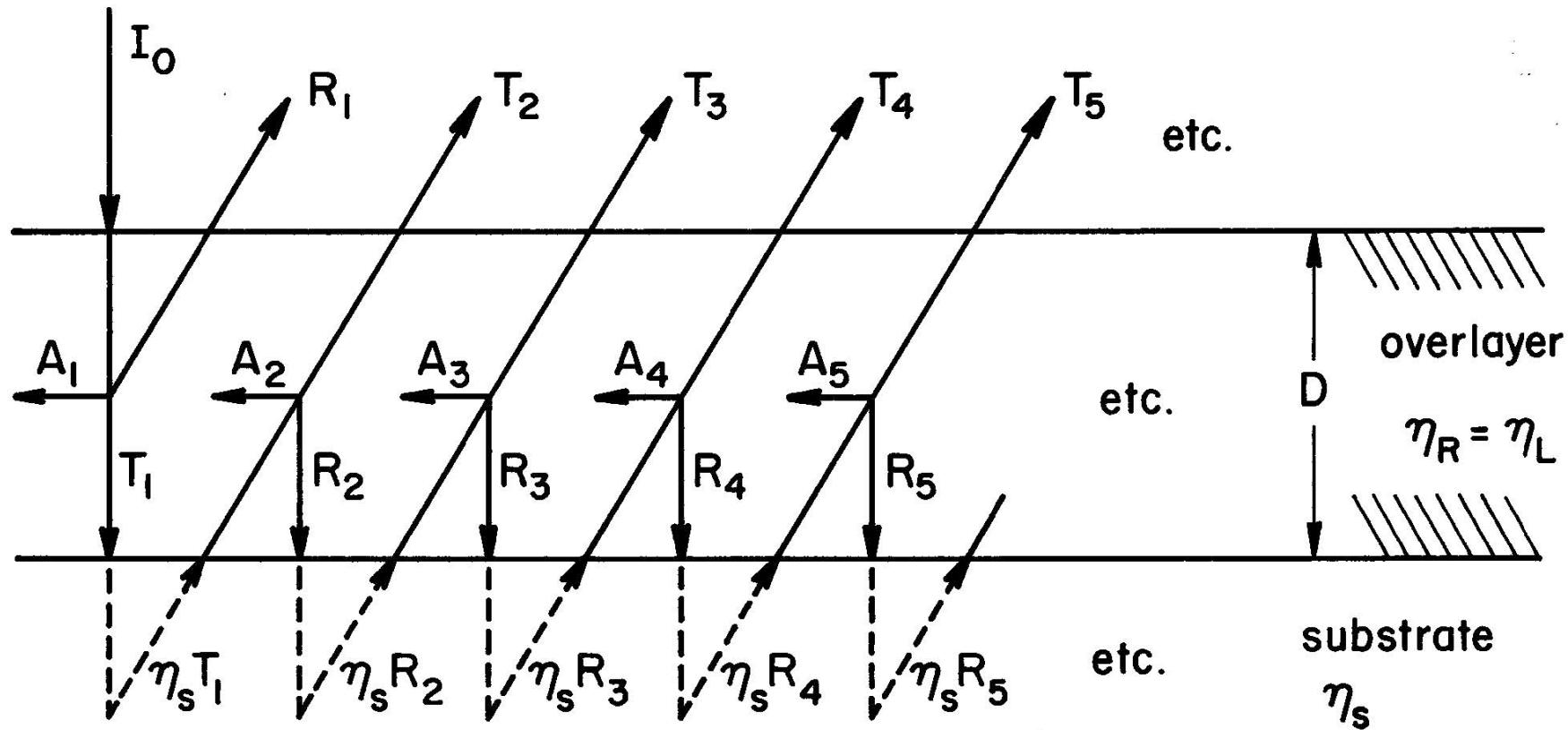
A_1 = absorbed current in film

$\eta_s T_1$ = current that gets backscattered back into overlay film.

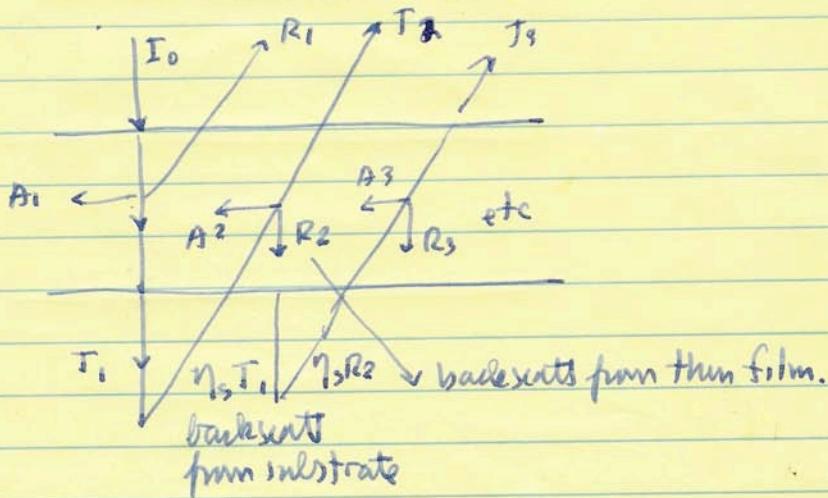
$T_2 = \eta_T [\eta_s T_1]$ is fraction through markers that makes it out without transmission yield thru substrate being scattered back into film.

$$\therefore T_2 = \eta_T [\eta_s (\eta_T I_0)] = \underline{\underline{\eta_T^2 \eta_s I_0 = T_2}}$$

Electron Backscattering from Multiple Layers



Electron Backscattering. 34



$$\therefore R_1 = \eta_o I_0 \quad \text{trans. yield.}$$

$$R_2 = \eta_o (\eta_s T_1) = \eta_o \eta_s \eta_t I_0$$

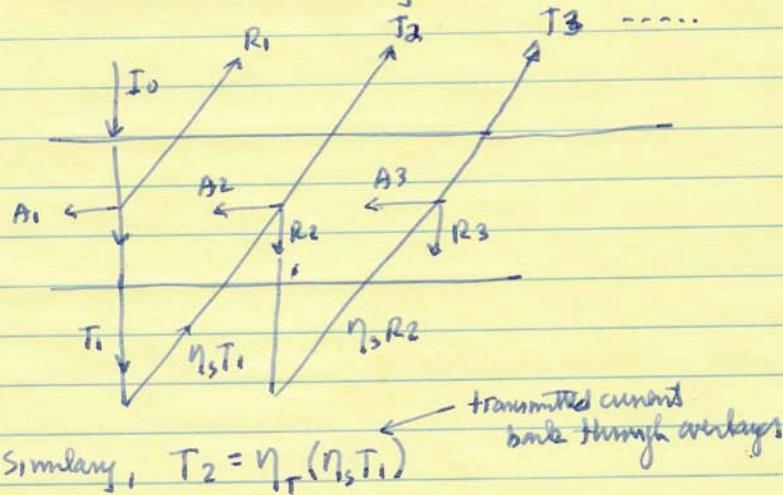
$$\begin{aligned} R_3 &= \eta_o (\eta_s R_2) = \eta_o \eta_s (\eta_o \eta_s \eta_t I_0) \\ &= \eta_o^2 \eta_s^2 \eta_t I_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_4 &= \eta_o (\eta_s R_3) = \eta_o \eta_s (\eta_o^2 \eta_s^2 \eta_t I_0) \\ &= \eta_o^3 \eta_s^3 \eta_t I_0 \end{aligned}$$

etc

$$R_n = (\eta_o \eta_s)^{n-1} \eta_t I_0 \quad \text{for } n^{\text{th}} \text{ reflection}$$

Electron Backscattering - #5



$$\begin{aligned} T_3 &= \eta_T (\eta_s R_2) \\ &= \eta_T (\eta_s \eta_o \eta_s \eta_s T_1) \\ T_3 &= \eta_s^2 \eta_T^2 \eta_o T_1 \end{aligned}$$

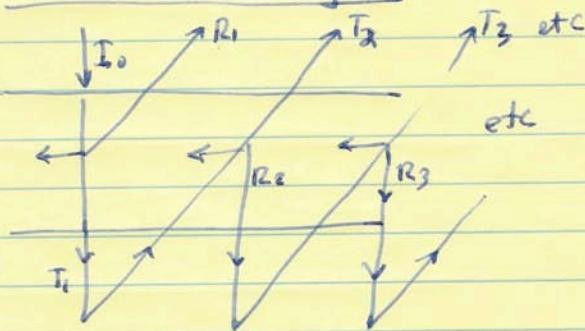
$$\begin{aligned} T_4 &= \eta_T (\eta_s R_3) = \eta_T \eta_s (\eta_o^2 \eta_s^2 \eta_T T_1) \\ \therefore T_4 &= \eta_o^3 \eta_T^2 \eta_s^2 T_1 \end{aligned}$$

etc

$$T_n = \eta_s^2 \eta_T^{n-1} \eta_o^{n-2} T_1$$

$$\underline{T_n = \eta_s \eta_T^2 (\eta_s \eta_o)^{n-2} T_1} \quad \text{for the beam}\text{ } \rightarrow \text{ transmitted back}\text{ } \downarrow \text{ from the substrate}$$

Electron Backscattering. #6



$$\therefore \boxed{I_{\text{BACK}} = R_1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} T_n}$$

$$= R_1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \eta_s \eta_r^2 (\eta_s \eta_d)^{n-2} I_0$$

$$\underline{I_{\text{BACK}} = R_1 + \eta_s \eta_r^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (\eta_s \eta_d)^{n-2} I_0}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\eta_{\text{BACK}} = \eta_{\text{d0}} + \eta_s \eta_r^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (\eta_s \eta_d)^{n-2}}$$

backscatt
from unsuppressed
overlays
backscatt
from bubble chamber

for self supporting fibers, ($t < \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} R$) WLF-wolf

$$\eta_{\text{d0}}(t) = M_R t, \text{ where } M_R = C_R n Z^{-2} / \text{scatt}$$

(linear positive)

Electron Backscattering - 5.7

$$\therefore \eta_{BSE} = \eta_0 + \eta_s \eta_t^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (\eta_s \eta_0)^{n-2}$$

thin film overlays on substrate

$$\therefore \eta_{BSE} = \eta_0 + \eta_s \eta_t^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\eta_s \eta_0)^n$$

↑
overlays
by itself

$$\eta_0 = M_R t \text{ where } M_R = C_R n z^2$$

in linear region
(+ < Range)

density
at. #
Ruth scatt const (or corr.)

$$\eta_t = e^{-M_R t}$$

transmission wlf.

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backscatt yield for thin overlays
on substrate

Electron Backscattering - 8

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$$= M_{et}t + \eta_s (1 - 2M_f t) (1 + \eta_s M_{et}t) \dots$$

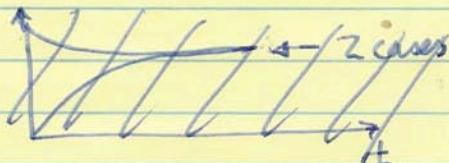
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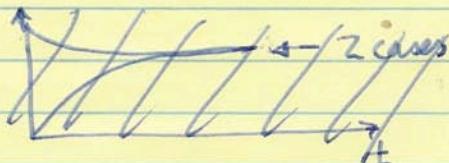
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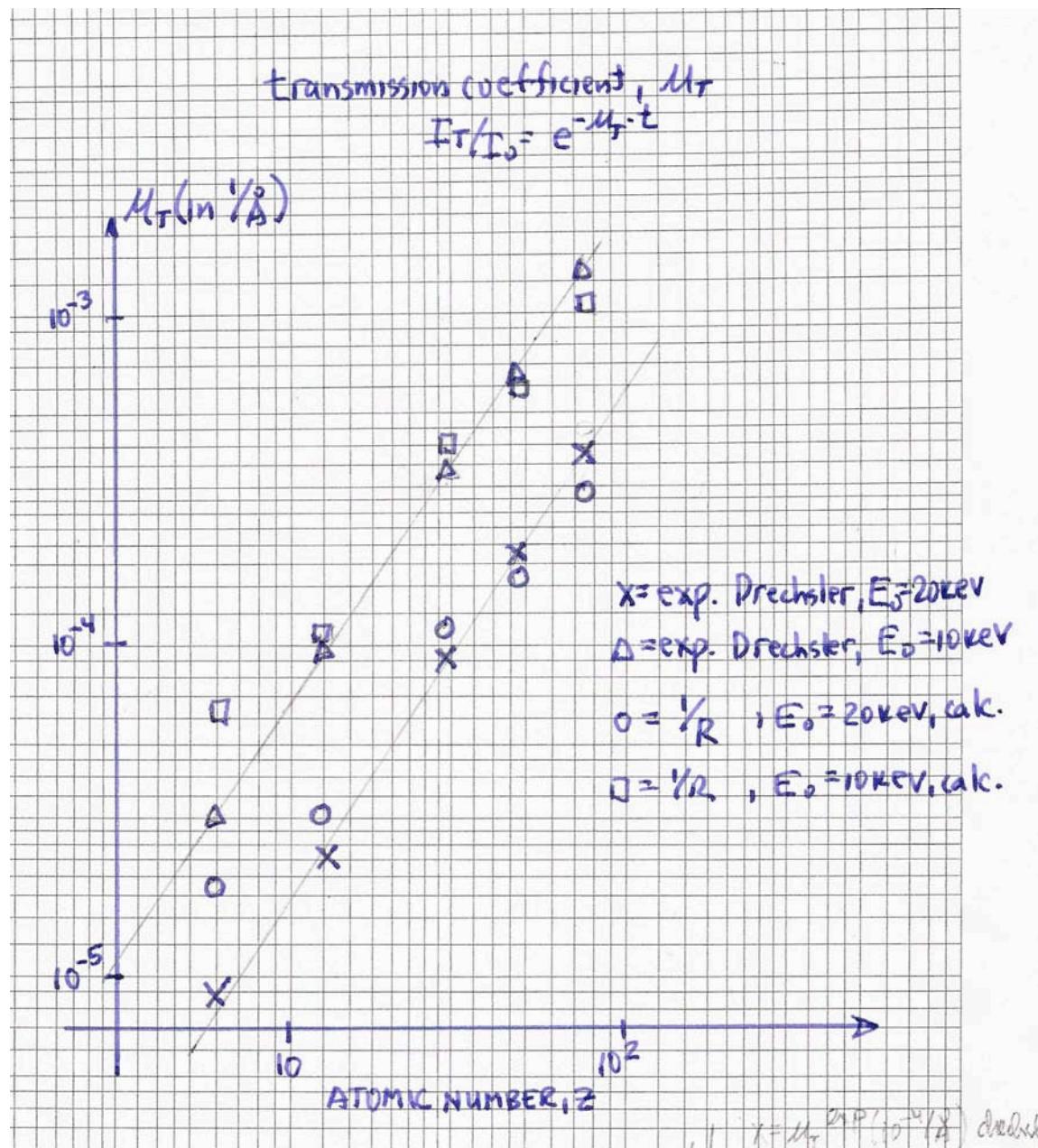
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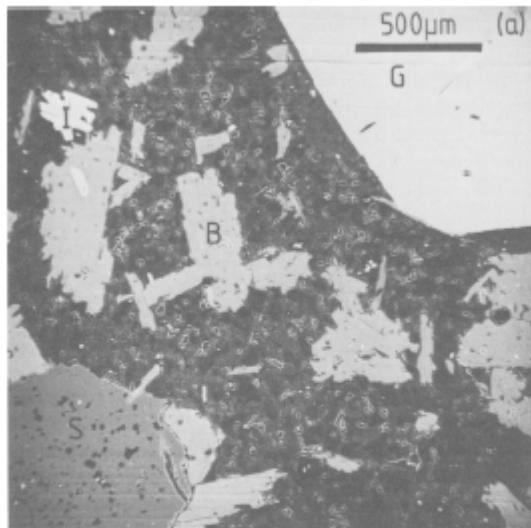
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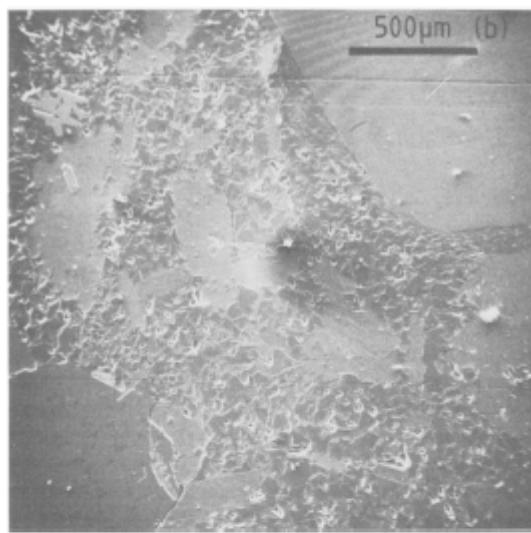


Electron Transmission Coefficients





BSE



SE

FIG. 3. (a) Example of backscattered electron Z-contrast image: hornfelsed metagreywacke, with the following minerals present (in increasing order of brightness): equant quartz and prismatic muscovite forming the matrix (see Fig. 1a for detail), porphyroblastic staurolite (S), biotite (B) and garnet (G), and matrix ilmenite (I). Compare the contrasts shown with those predicted by equation 2 or inferred in Fig. 4b. (b) Same area imaged using secondary electrons; note the considerably lower Z-contrast effect and also the suppression of topographic contrast due to using a specimen which had been polished flat. Both imaged at 30 kV; specimen carbon-coated.

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Electron Backscattering from Binary Compounds

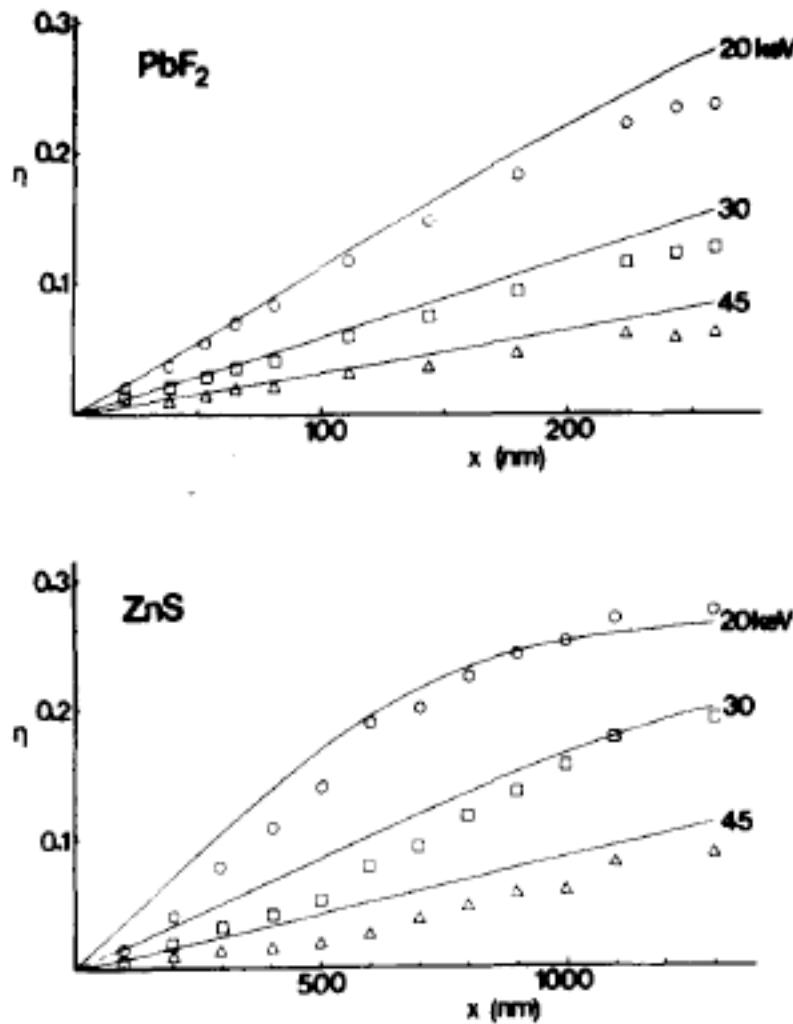


FIG. 10. Comparison of BE data²⁴ from films of elemental compounds with predictions based on Eq. (17) and the universal fit (solid line).

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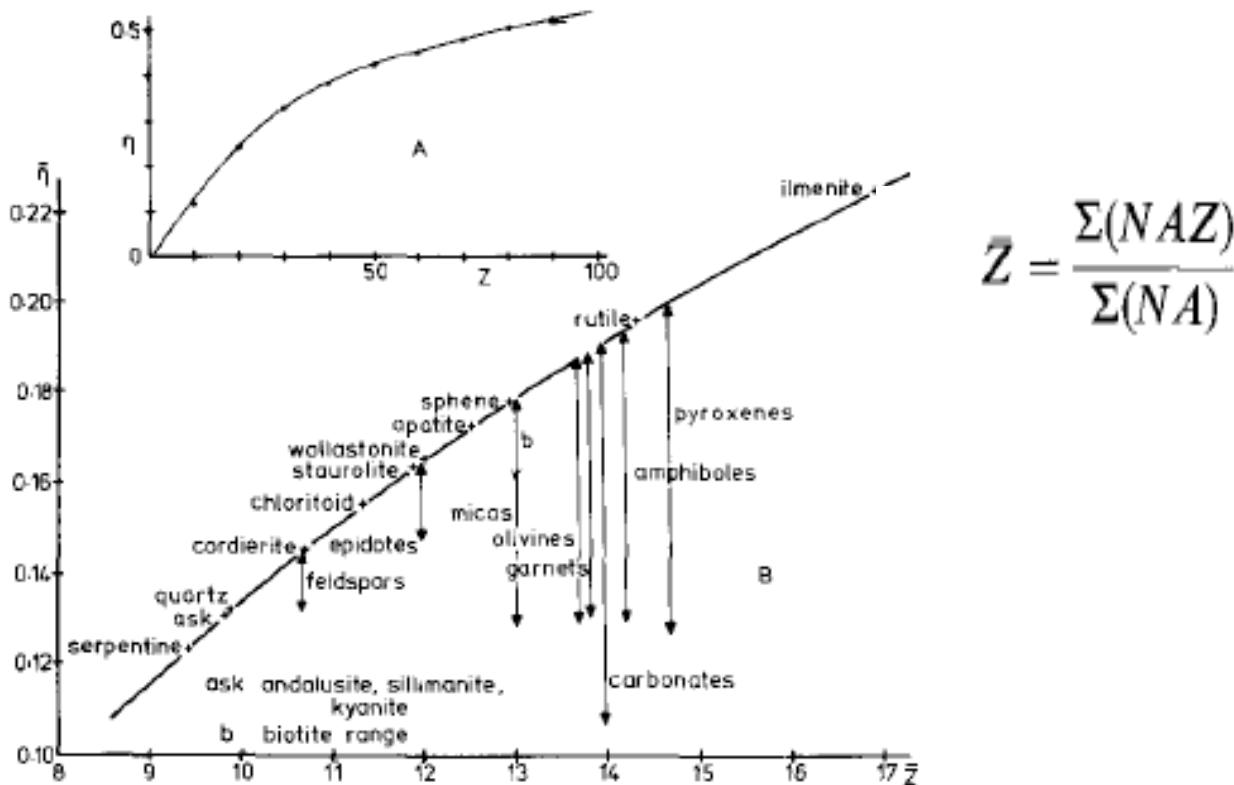


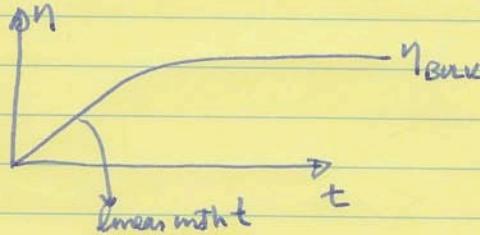
FIG. 4. Relationship between BSE coefficient (η or $\bar{\eta}$) and atomic number (Z or \bar{Z}). (A) Pure elements (after Bishop, 1966 and Heinrich, 1964). (B) Major rock-forming minerals (after Hall and Lloyd, 1981). The values of $\bar{\eta}$ and \bar{Z} were determined using the most general formula available for each mineral and the BASIC computer program 'MEATNO'. Note that variations in composition (e.g. amphiboles etc.) lead to a range of \bar{Z} values and hence a range of $\bar{\eta}$ values which in turn causes variations in image contrast.

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Backscattering from Compounds

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$$\eta_{\text{BULK}}(Z) = \frac{0.21 Z^{2/3}}{\ln(0.325 E_0 / \sqrt{Z})} E_0 \text{ meV}$$



with compound materials, the backscattered yield depends upon several factors —

1. atomic concentrations
2. mass concentrations
3. crystallinity

many discussions in literature of how this is determined?

for bulk materials :

$$\eta = f_A \eta_A + f_B \eta_B \quad \text{where } f_A = \frac{m_A}{m_A + m_B}, \text{ mass fraction}$$

R. Castaing in Adv. in Elec. and Elec. Phys. V.13 (1960)

eds. L. Marton and C. Marton
(Acad. Press, NY)

$$\eta = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i \eta_i \quad \text{pure element BSE yield}$$

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for very thin films (unpinned material).

$$\eta = c_A \eta_A + c_B \eta_B \quad \text{where } c_A = \frac{n_A}{n_A + n_B}, \text{ atomic fraction}$$

in the intermediate region,

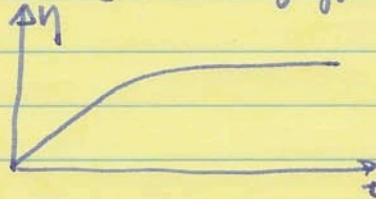
$$\eta(t) = f_A \eta_A(t \cdot \frac{\rho}{\rho_A}) + f_B \eta_B(t \cdot \frac{\rho}{\rho_B})$$

↳ a "weighted" film thickness

$$f_B = \frac{m_B}{m_A + m_B} \quad \text{as before}$$

↳ this is "empirical" result for
a binary system. Sogard, J. Appl Phys. 51(2), 1180,
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- not as neat as one would like since
the BSE gets more complicated as we
go from "linear in t " region to bulk,
where multiple scattering and Range effects
dominate



Effect of Channeling on BSE Contrast

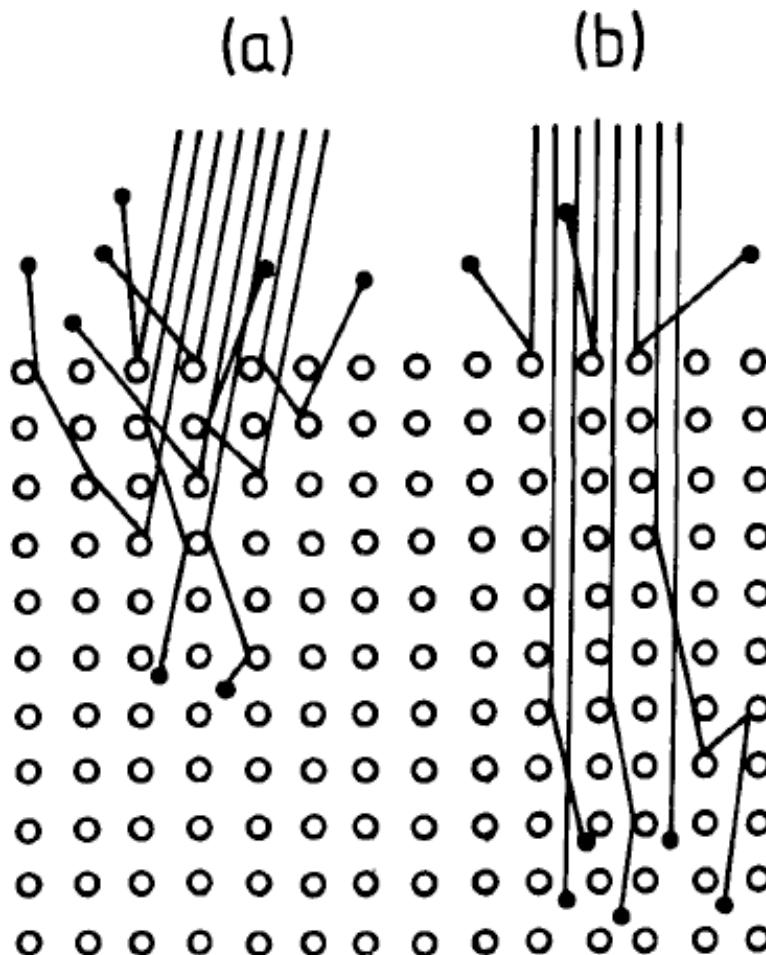
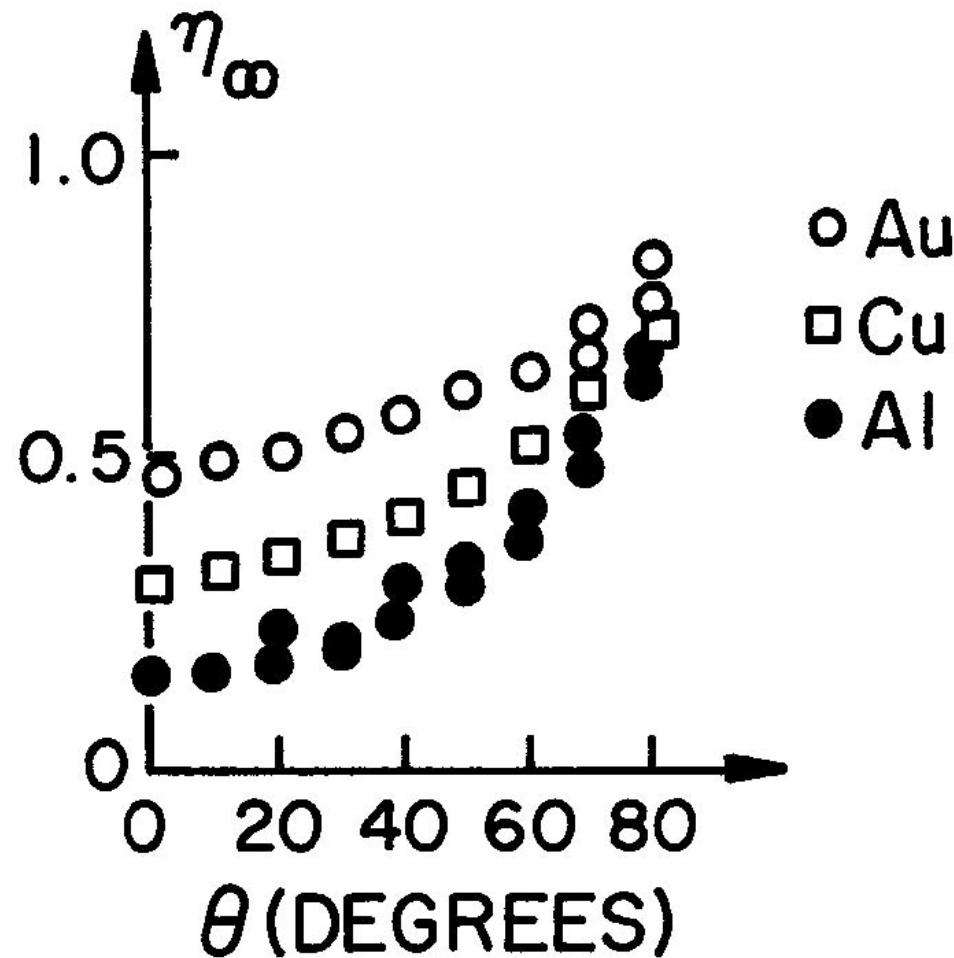


FIG. 6. Electron channelling effect. The variation in depth of electron penetration with angle of incidence relative to the target crystal structure results in either (a) near surface interactions and high BSE emission rates (Type II Bloch waves), or (b) deep penetration and low BSE emission rates (Type I Bloch waves). After Goldstein and Yakowitz (1975).

Angular Dependence on Electron Backscattering



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