

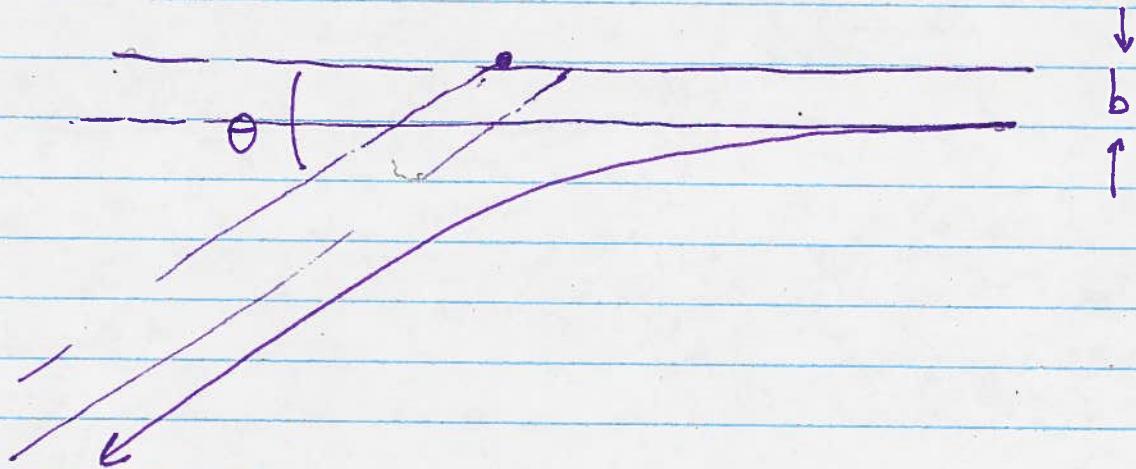
Here, interested in the interaction between
the incoming particle + either the electrons or atomic nuclei.

- Rutherford scattering
- ionization / atomic transitions
- density effect

Bohr, Bethe, Fermi

If incoming particle is much heavier than e^- (i.e. not an electron)

consider interaction in rest frame of incoming particle



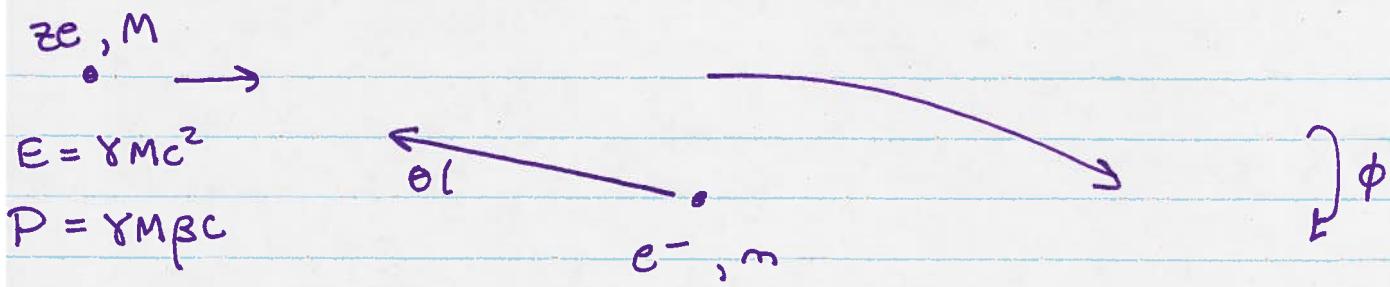
lab



e^-



electron picks
up energy



View as elastic Rutherford scattering in

center-of-mass frame = rest frame of heavy incident particle

we are neglecting binding energy of atom!

NR Rutherford formula

$$\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} = -\frac{ze^2}{mc^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{d^2 r}{dt^2} - r \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2 + \frac{ze^2}{mr^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow L = r^2 \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \text{const}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{d^2r}{dt^2} - \frac{L^2}{r^3} + \frac{ze^2}{mr^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\frac{1}{u} \right) = - \frac{d\theta}{dt} \frac{1}{u^2} \frac{du}{d\theta} \quad u = \frac{1}{r}$$

$$= - L \frac{du}{d\theta}$$

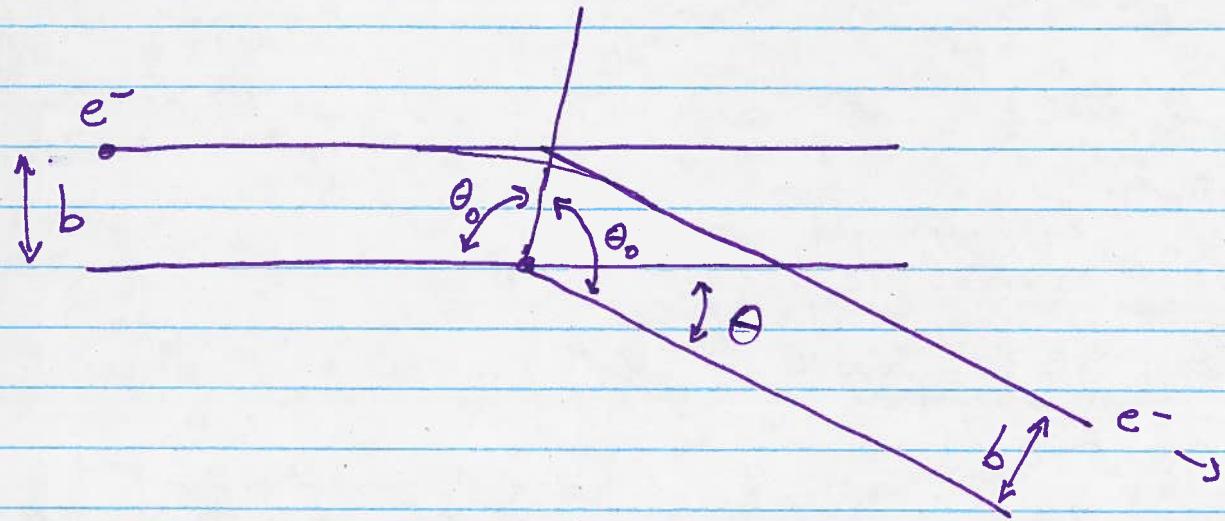
$$\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(-L \frac{du}{d\theta} \right) = - \frac{L^2}{r^2} \frac{d^2u}{d\theta^2}$$

$$\text{so we have } \frac{d^2u}{d\theta^2} + u - \frac{ze^2}{mL^2} = 0$$

$$\text{solution } u = u_0 \cos(\theta - \theta_0) + \frac{ze^2}{mv^2 b} \quad L = vb$$

$$\text{also } \frac{du}{d\theta} = -u_0 \sin(\theta - \theta_0)$$

θ_0 is angle
at closest approach



scattering angle is $2\theta_0 - \pi = \Theta$

$$\text{find } \theta_0 : \quad r \rightarrow \infty, \quad u \rightarrow 0 \quad u_0 \cos(\theta_0) = -\frac{ze^2}{mv^2 b}$$

$$u_0 \sin(\theta_0) = -\frac{\sigma}{L}$$

eliminate u_0

$$\frac{1}{\tan \theta_0} = \frac{ze^2}{mv^2 b} = \frac{1}{\tan\left(\frac{\Theta}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \tan \frac{\Theta}{2}$$

$$\boxed{\tan \frac{\Theta}{2} = \frac{ze^2}{mv^2 b}}$$

$$\text{or } b = \frac{ze^2}{mv^2} \frac{1}{\tan \theta/2}$$

for cross section

$$I b db d\phi = I \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} d\Omega$$

$$\text{so } \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = b \left| \frac{db}{d\theta} \right| \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

$$= \frac{ze^2}{mv^2} \frac{1}{\tan \theta/2} \frac{ze^2}{mv^2} \frac{1}{\tan^2 \theta/2} \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta/2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2 \sin \theta/2 \cos \theta/2}$$

& with $p = mv$

$$= \left(\frac{ze^2}{2pv} \right)^2 \frac{1}{\sin^4 \theta/2}$$

correct with $p = \gamma m c$ relativistic case!

θ is scattering angle in c^2/m = rest frame of incident particle.

P^α initial 4-momentum of e^- in rest frame of heavy incoming particle

$$= (\gamma mc, \gamma m\beta c, 0, 0)$$

$P^{\alpha'}$ final 4-momentum

$$= (\gamma mc, \gamma mc\beta \cos\theta, \gamma mc\beta \sin\theta, 0)$$

$$\text{Lorentz scalar } -(P^\alpha - P^{\alpha'})^2 = (\gamma mc\beta)^2 ((\cos\theta - 1)^2 + \sin^2\theta)$$

$$= 2P^2(2 - 2\cos\theta)$$

$$= 4P^2 \sin^2\theta/2$$

$$\equiv Q^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \frac{\sin\theta d\theta}{dQ^2} d\phi = 2\pi \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \frac{\sin\theta d\theta}{dQ^2}$$

$$\frac{dQ^2}{d\theta} = 4P^2 \sin\theta/2 \cos\theta/2 = 2P^2 \sin\theta$$

i.e. $\frac{\sin\theta d\theta}{dQ^2} = \frac{1}{2P^2}$

$$\text{so } \frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = 2\pi \left(\frac{ze^2}{2pv} \right)^2 \frac{1}{\sin^4\theta/2} \frac{1}{2p^2}$$

denominator has $p^4 \sin^4 \theta/2 = Q^4/16$

$$\text{so } \frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = 4\pi \left(\frac{ze^2}{vQ^2} \right)^2$$

Consider Q^2 in initial rest frame of electron

$$Q^2 = -(\vec{p} - \vec{p}')^2 \quad \vec{p}' = (mc, \vec{0})$$

$$= -((\gamma - 1)^2 - \gamma^2 \beta^2) m_e^2 c^2 \quad \vec{p}' = (\gamma mc, \gamma m \vec{v})$$

$$= (2\gamma - 2) m_e^2 c^2 = 2(\gamma - 1) m_e c^2 \times m = 2Tm$$

$$T = (\gamma - 1) mc^2 \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{kINETIC energy gained by electron} \\ &= \text{k.e. lost by particle} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT} = \frac{2\pi Z^2 e^4}{mc^2 \beta^2 T^2}$$

cross section as a
function of energy loss

N atoms/volume

Z electrons/atom

$\frac{dE}{dx}$ = energy lost by incoming particle
per unit length

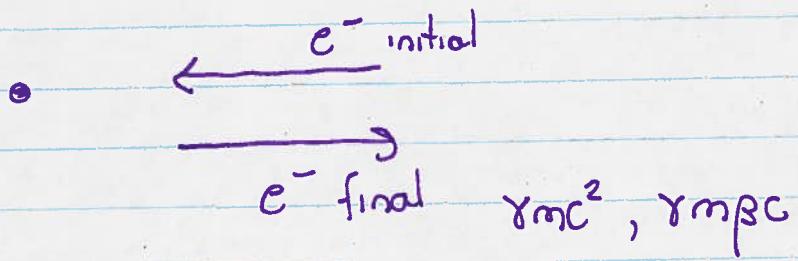
$$= NZ \int T \frac{d\sigma}{dT} dT$$

T_{min} set by binding energy $\sim \hbar \langle \omega \rangle$

T_{max} ? in frame of incoming particle

most energetic case is one in which electron
back-scatters.

rest frame of incident particle



Boost to lab frame

$$E = \gamma(E' + \beta cp') = \gamma^2(mc^2 + mc^2\beta^2)$$

$$T_{\max} = E - mc^2 = (\gamma^2 - 1 + \beta^2\gamma^2)mc^2$$

$$= 2\gamma^2\beta^2mc^2$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dE}{dx} (\tau > \epsilon) = 2\pi N Z \frac{z^2 e^4}{mc^2 \beta^2} \ln \left(\frac{2\gamma^2 \beta^2 mc^2}{\epsilon} \right)}$$

Case of collisions at lower energies must be handled quantum mechanically. Form is similar

$$\frac{dE}{dx} (\tau < \epsilon) = 2\pi N Z \frac{z^2 e^4}{mc^2 \beta^2} \ln [\beta_g^2]$$

$$\beta_g(\epsilon) = \frac{\gamma \nu (2m\epsilon)^{1/2}}{\hbar \langle \omega \rangle}$$

add two expressions - sum of logs = log of product

$$\frac{dE}{dx} (\tau < \epsilon) = 4\pi N Z \frac{z^2 e^4}{mc^2 \beta^2} \ln \left(\frac{2\gamma^2 \beta^2 mc^2}{\hbar \langle \omega \rangle} \right)$$

also spin modifies expression

$$\ln() \rightarrow \ln() - \beta^2$$