

## Intro. to Waves.

1-D Wave Equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t^2}, \quad (1)$$

where  $v$  is the speed of wave propagation.

General Solution to (1) is given by

$$\Psi(x,t) = f(x-vt) + g(x+vt), \quad (2)$$

where  $f$  and  $g$  are any functions.

$f$  represents a waveform traveling in the positive  $x$  direction.

$g$  represents a waveform traveling in the negative  $x$  direction.

Let:  $\Psi(x,t) = A \cos(kx - \omega t)$

Note: Your Book chooses  $\Psi(x,t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$ .

then  $\frac{\omega}{k} = v$  [why? Hint:  $A \cos k(x - \frac{\omega}{k}t)$ ]

Some Terminology:

$A \leftrightarrow$  Amplitude ;  $k \leftrightarrow$  Wave number ;  $\omega \leftrightarrow$  Angular frequency.

$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$  ,  $\lambda \leftrightarrow$  wavelength

$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$  ,  $T \leftrightarrow$  period

$\gamma = \frac{1}{T}$  ,  $\gamma \leftrightarrow$  frequency

Generic Wave:  $A \cos(kx - \omega t + \delta)$

$\delta \leftrightarrow$  phase constant

The argument of the cosine is called phase;  
do NOT confuse it with "phase constant"

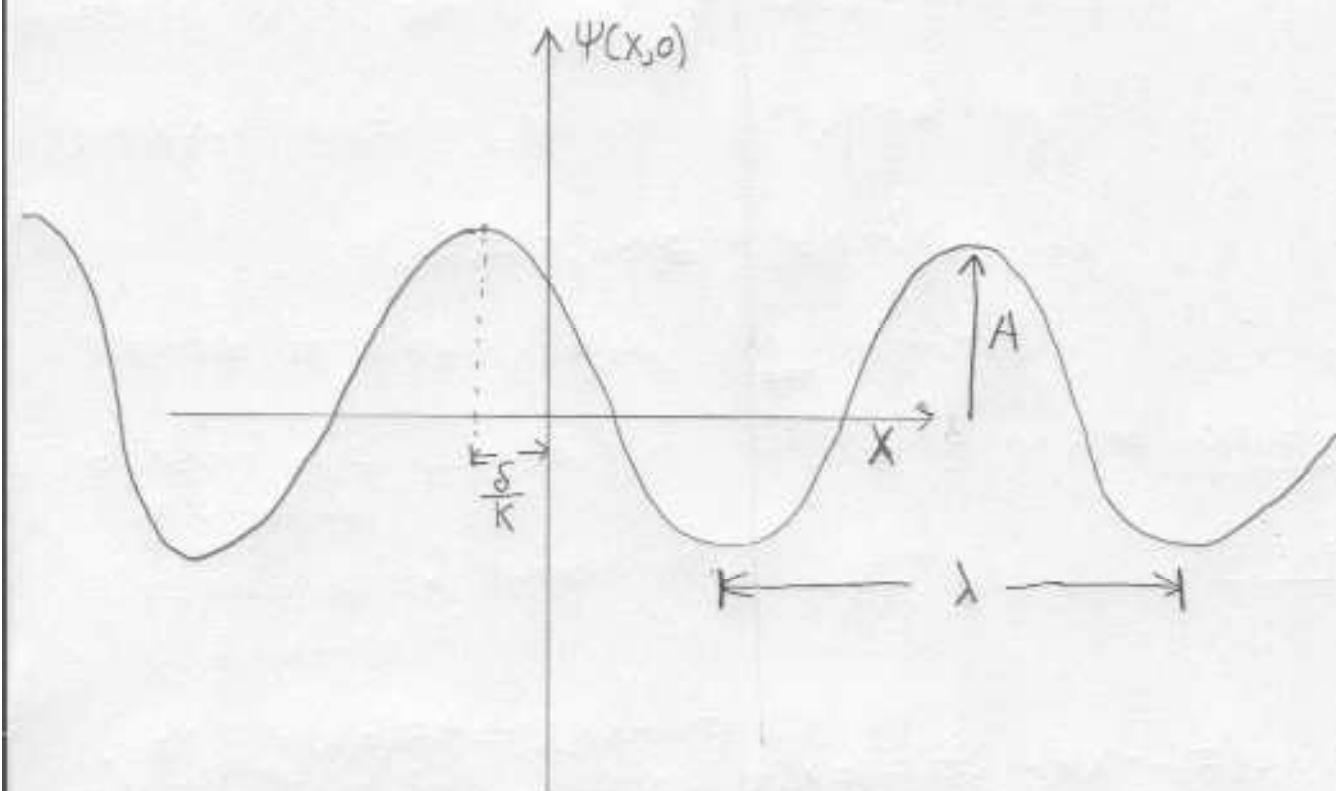
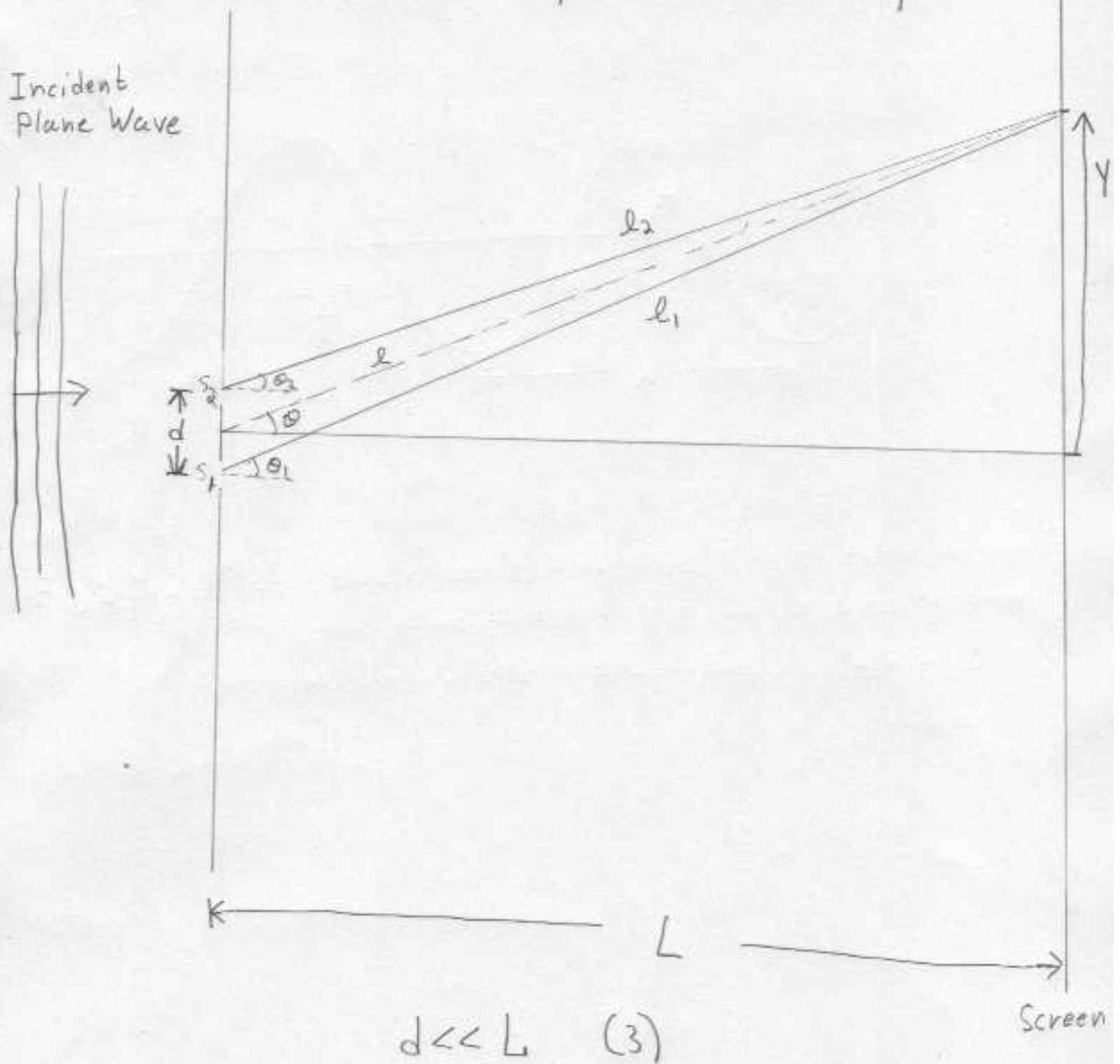


Fig 1: If  $\delta = 0$ , the central maximum passes the origin @  $t = 0$ .  $\frac{\delta}{k}$  is the distance by which the central maximum (and  $\therefore$  the entire wave) is "delayed".

# Interference: Key Characteristic of Wave Phenomenon.

Young's Double-Slit Experiment with Light.  
(Done in great detail here. Wake-up! because we will use the "same" analysis over and over.)



Find a condition for a maximum (constructive interference)?

1. Show  $l_2$  is "about" parallel to  $l$ , and  $l_1$ , i.e., show they have the "same" slopes.

$l$ :

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{Y}{L} \quad (4)$$

$l_1$ :

$$\tan(\theta_1) = \frac{Y + \frac{d}{2}}{L}$$

$$\tan(\theta_1) = \frac{Y}{L} + \frac{d}{2L} ; \text{ use (3) to obtain}$$

$$\tan(\theta_1) \approx \frac{Y}{L} \quad (5)$$

$l_2$ :

$$\tan(\theta_2) = \frac{Y - \frac{d}{2}}{L}$$

$$\tan(\theta_2) = \frac{Y}{L} - \frac{d}{2L} ; \text{ use (3) to obtain}$$

$$\tan(\theta_2) \approx \frac{Y}{L} \quad (6)$$

Comparing (4), (5) and (6) we conclude that line  $l$ , line  $l_1$ , line  $l_2$  are "about" parallel, i.e.,  $\theta \cong \theta_1 \cong \theta_2$  (7).

2. What is the extra distance that light from  $S_1$  has to travel?

$$l_1 = \sqrt{L^2 + \left(Y + \frac{d}{2}\right)^2} \quad (8)$$

$$l_2 = \sqrt{L^2 + \left(Y - \frac{d}{2}\right)^2} \quad (9)$$

Use:  $(1+x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \dots$ ,  $|x| < 1$

$$l_1 = L \sqrt{1 + \frac{\left(Y + \frac{d}{2}\right)^2}{L^2}} \approx L \left[ 1 + \frac{\left(Y + \frac{d}{2}\right)^2}{2L^2} \right]$$

$$l_2 = L \sqrt{1 + \frac{\left(Y - \frac{d}{2}\right)^2}{L^2}} \approx L \left[ 1 + \frac{\left(Y - \frac{d}{2}\right)^2}{2L^2} \right]$$

$$l_1 - l_2 = \Delta l = L \left[ \frac{Yd}{2L^2} + \frac{Yd}{2L^2} \right]$$

$$\Delta l = \frac{Yd}{L} \quad (10)$$

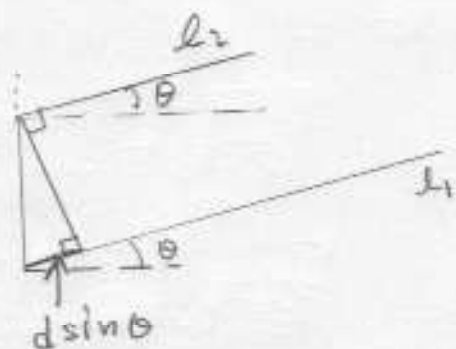
Note:  $\tan \theta = \frac{Y}{L}$ , thus,

$$\Delta l = d \tan \theta \quad (11)$$

For small  $\theta$ ,  $\tan \theta \approx \sin \theta$  (why?). Thus, (11) can be written as

$$\boxed{\Delta l = d \sin(\theta)} \quad (12)$$

Pictorially,  $d \sin \theta$  is



For a maximum (constructive interference) to occur we must fit integer number of wavelengths into the "extra" distance (why?).

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{d \sin \theta = n \lambda, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots} \quad (13)$$

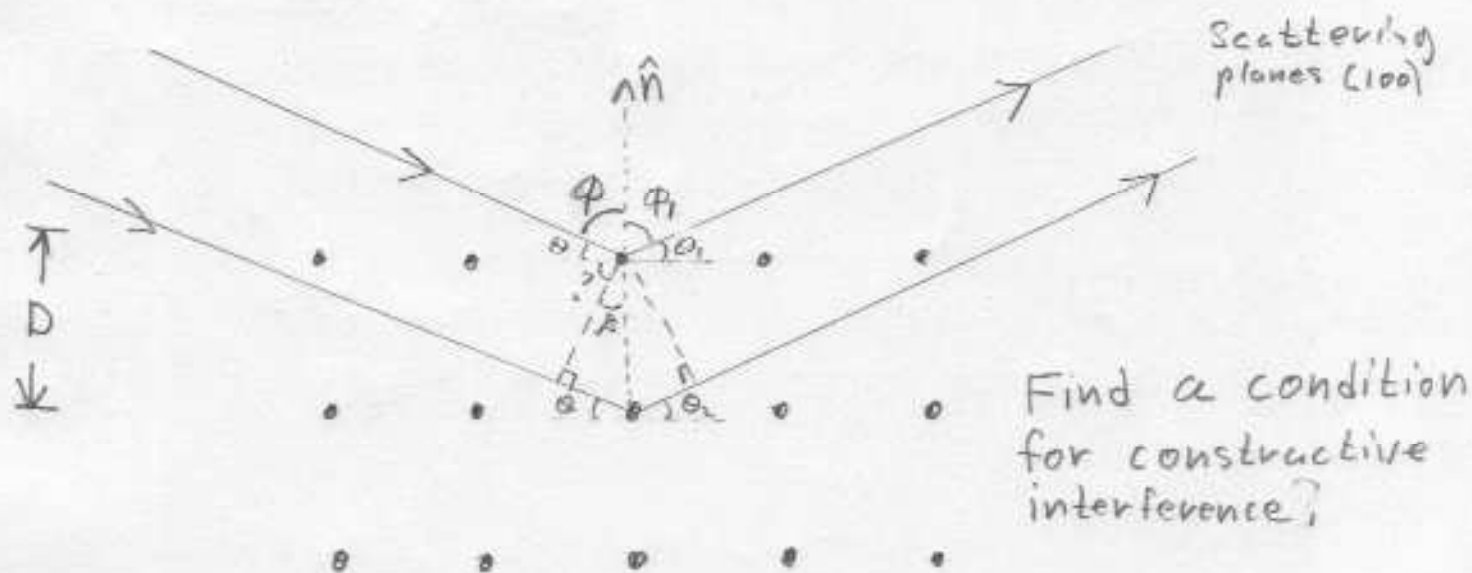
# X-ray Interference From Crystals.

$\lambda_{x\text{-ray}} \sim \text{\AA}$  (atomic scale). Note:  $1 \text{\AA} = 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ .

Crystals act as Diffraction gratings.

1. The angle of incidence = The angle of reflection.

Note: Angles are measured from the normal of the scattering plane.



By 1.  $\therefore \phi_1 = \phi_2 \Rightarrow \theta = \theta_1$  and  $\theta = \theta_2$

$\theta + ? = 90 \Rightarrow ? = 90 - \theta$

$? + \beta = 90 \Rightarrow \beta = 90 - ? = 90 - (90 - \theta)$

$\Rightarrow \beta = \theta$

Extra distance:

$2D \sin \theta$

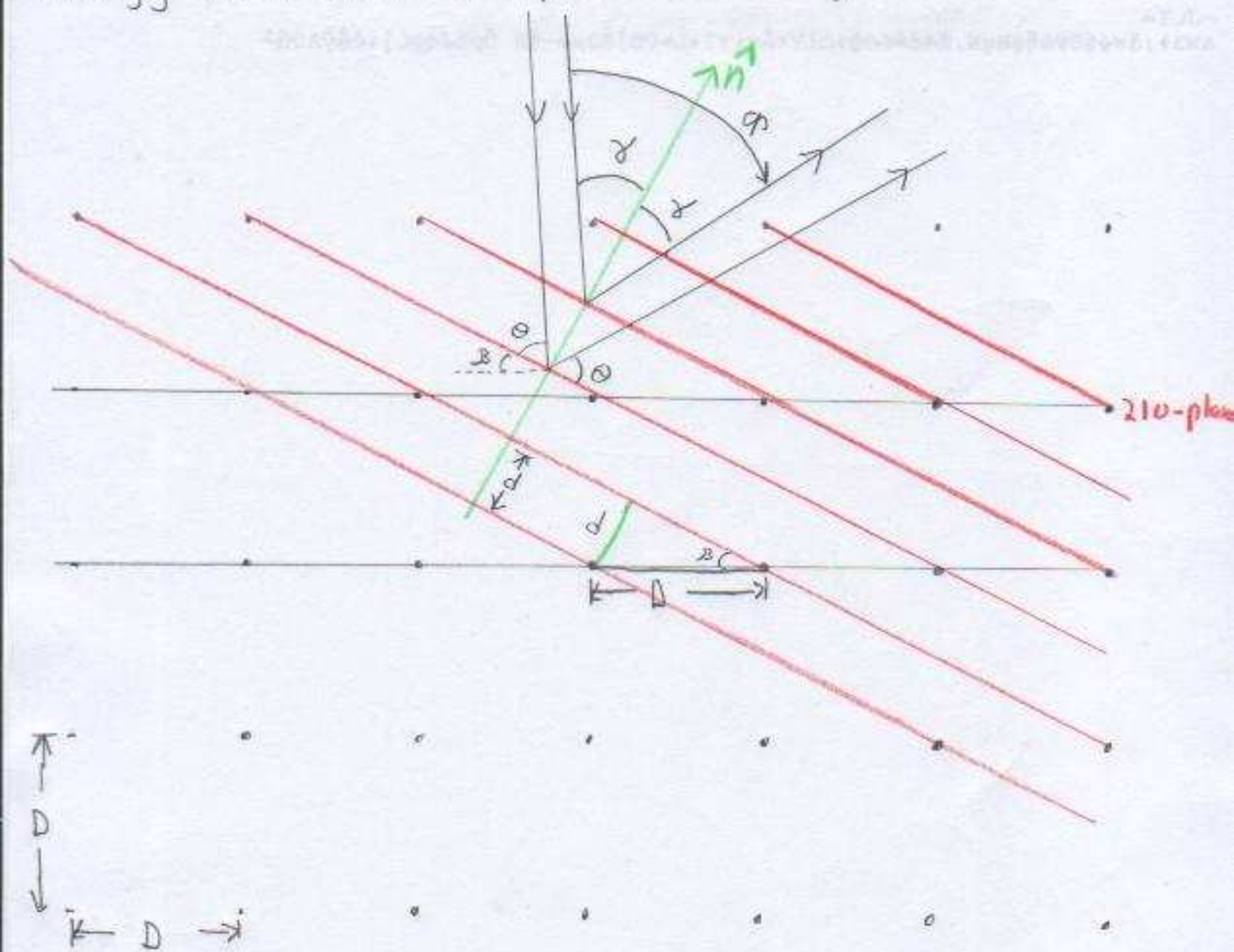
Thus,

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

(14) is the condition for constructive interference.

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Bragg's Law

# Bragg Diffraction Example 1: Scattering from "120"-plane.



Find the lattice spacing  $D$ , in terms of  $\lambda, n, \phi$ .

From (14)

$$2d \sin \theta = n\lambda \quad (15)$$

$$\phi = 2\gamma \quad (16)$$

$$\theta + \gamma = 90^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ - \gamma \quad (17)$$

$$(17) \text{ into } (15) \Rightarrow 2d \sin(90^\circ - \gamma) = n\lambda$$

$$2d \cos(\gamma) = n\lambda \quad (18)$$

$$\beta + \theta = 90^\circ \quad (19)$$

$\Rightarrow$



$$(17) \text{ into } (19) \Rightarrow \beta + 90^\circ - \alpha = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = \alpha \quad (20)$$

$$\sin \beta = \frac{d}{D} \text{ using } (20) \Rightarrow \sin(\alpha) = \frac{d}{D} \Rightarrow d = D \sin(\alpha) \quad (21)$$

$$(21) \text{ into } (18) \Rightarrow 2D \sin(\alpha) \cos(\alpha) = n\lambda$$

using  $2 \sin(x) \cos(x) = \sin(2x)$ , yields

$$D \sin(2\alpha) = n\lambda$$

using (16) yields

$$\boxed{D \sin(\phi) = n\lambda} \quad (22)$$

Numerical Calculation:

Given:  $\phi = 53.1^\circ$ ,  $\lambda = 0.165 \text{ nm}$ ,  $n = 1$

Find  $D$ :

$$D = \frac{1 \cdot 0.165 \text{ nm}}{\sin(53.1^\circ)} = \boxed{0.208 \text{ nm}}$$

# De Broglie's Matter-Wave Hypothesis

Einstein-Planck: Light has both wave and particle properties.

Remember for photons we have  $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$

$$E = pc \Rightarrow p = \frac{E}{c} = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

De Broglie: "Nature should be symmetric"

i.e., Particles must have a complementary wave character (1924)

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} \quad (2.3)$$

Numerical Calculation: Wavelength of a bullet:

Given:  $m = 1g$ ,  $v = 300 \frac{m}{s}$

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{h}{mv} = 2.2 \cdot 10^{-33} \text{ m (very small)}$$

Numerical Calculation: Wavelength of  $e^-$  in H atom?

Given:  $KE = 13.6 \text{ eV}$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{p^2}{2m} \Rightarrow p = \sqrt{2mKE}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mKE}} = 0.34 \text{ nm } (\sim \text{\AA} \text{ scale})$$

If electrons really do behave as waves, they should reveal wave phenomenon of Interference.

Lets work Bragg Diffraction Example 1 with  $e^-$  instead of light.

We found that  $\phi = 53.1^\circ$ ,  $\lambda = 0.165 \text{ nm}$ ;  $n = 1$ .

Find  $V_{\text{acc}}$ . Note:  $KE = eV_{\text{acc}}$

$$(23) \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{h}{p} ; p = \sqrt{2mKE} = \sqrt{2meV_{\text{acc}}}$$

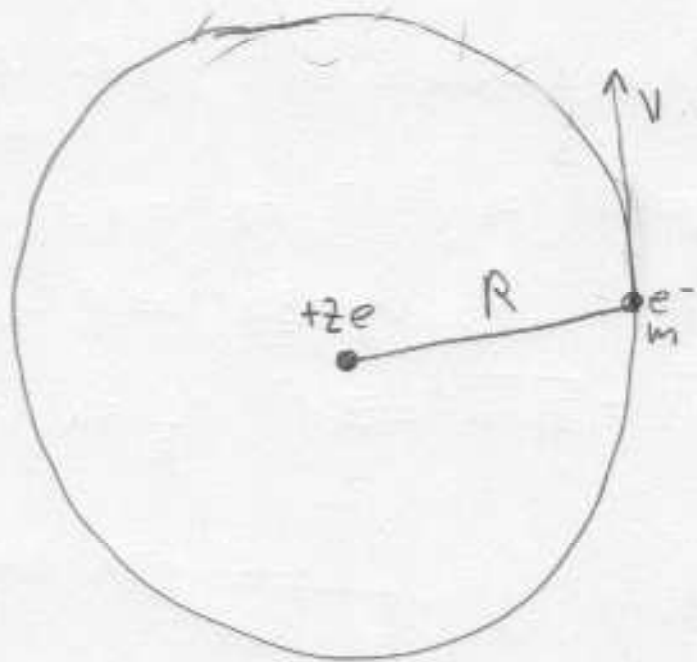
$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2meV_{\text{acc}}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{\text{acc}} = \frac{h^2}{2me\lambda^2} = \underline{\underline{55.3 \text{ V}}} \quad \checkmark$$

Davisson - Germer (1925).

Davisson and Thomson: Nobel Prize 1937.

## Derivation of Bohr Hypothesis



Fit integer number of wavelengths into  $(2\pi R)$ .

$$\Rightarrow n\lambda = 2\pi R$$

From (23) we have  $\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$

$$\Rightarrow n \frac{h}{p} = 2\pi R \quad ; \quad p = mv$$

$$\Rightarrow n \frac{h}{2\pi} = Rmv \quad ; \quad \vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$$
$$\Rightarrow L = Rmv$$

$$\Rightarrow L = n \frac{h}{2\pi}$$

Let:  $\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$ ,  $\hbar$  is called h-bar.

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{L = n\hbar} \quad \star$$