

Lectures 12-13

Understanding surfaces



Kai M. Siegbahn (1918 - 2007)
Nobel Prize 1981 – High Resolution Electron Spectroscopy

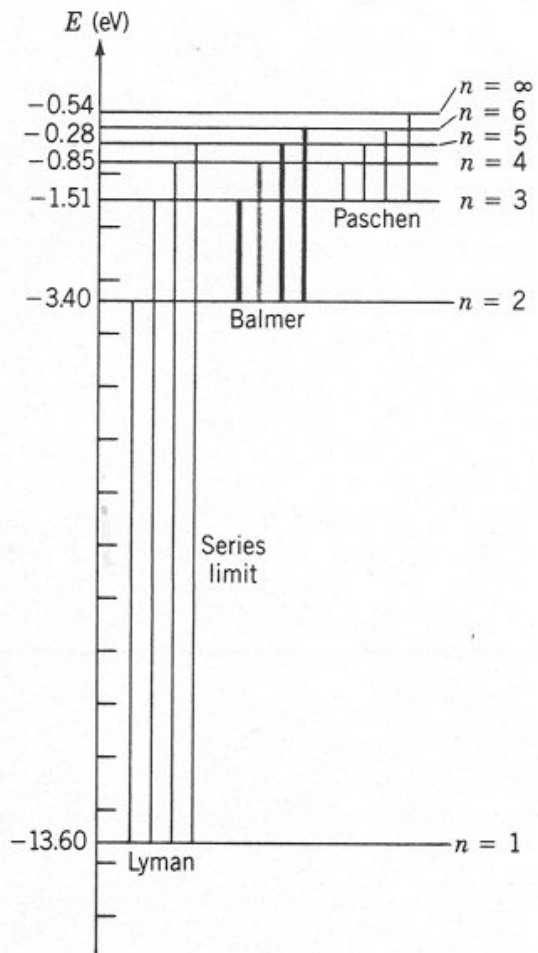
Surface science is an important component in physical sciences

Energy, chemicals, pharmaceuticals,....

Electron spectroscopy is the most important surface analysis tool

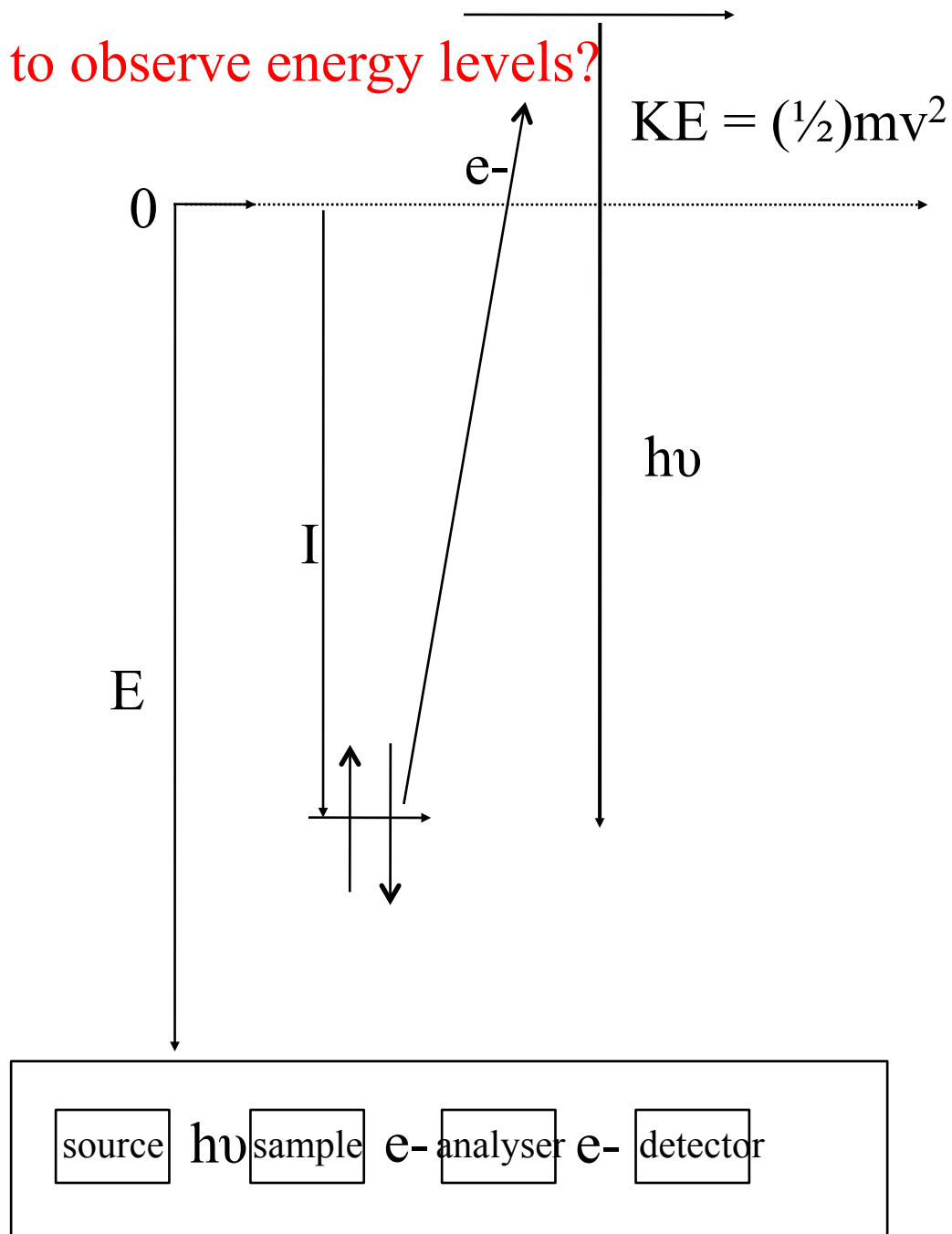
Ref. Atkins

How to observe energy levels?



$$I = h\nu - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)mv^2$$

Photoelectron equation
Koopmans' theorem



Structure and Properties of Matter

Spectroscopy

Scattering

Physical Properties

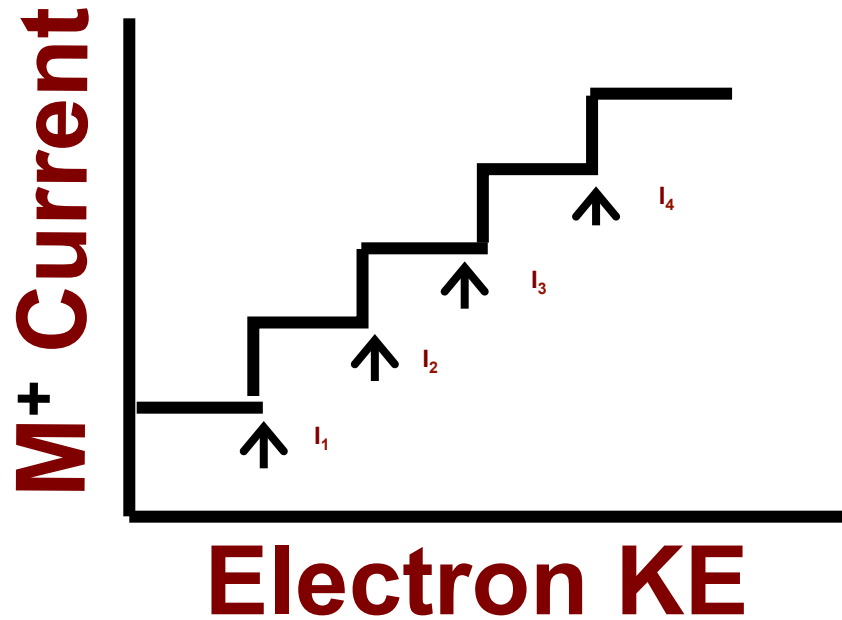
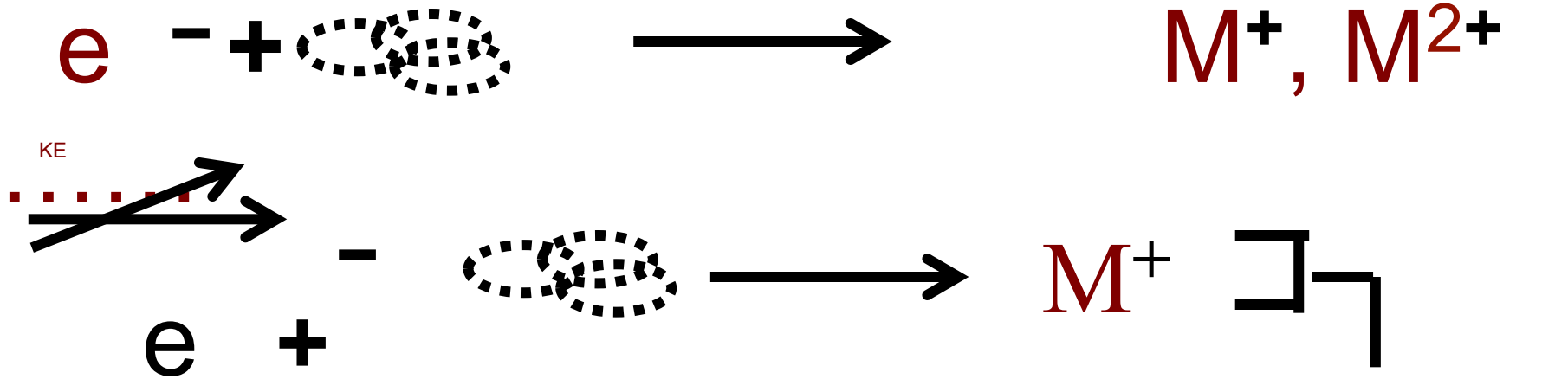
Spectroscopy (pre-1965)

Absorption

Magnetic

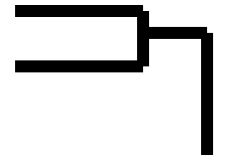
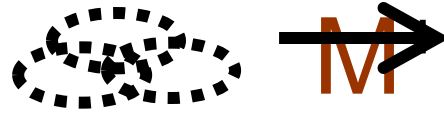
Mass

Spectroscopy using electrons

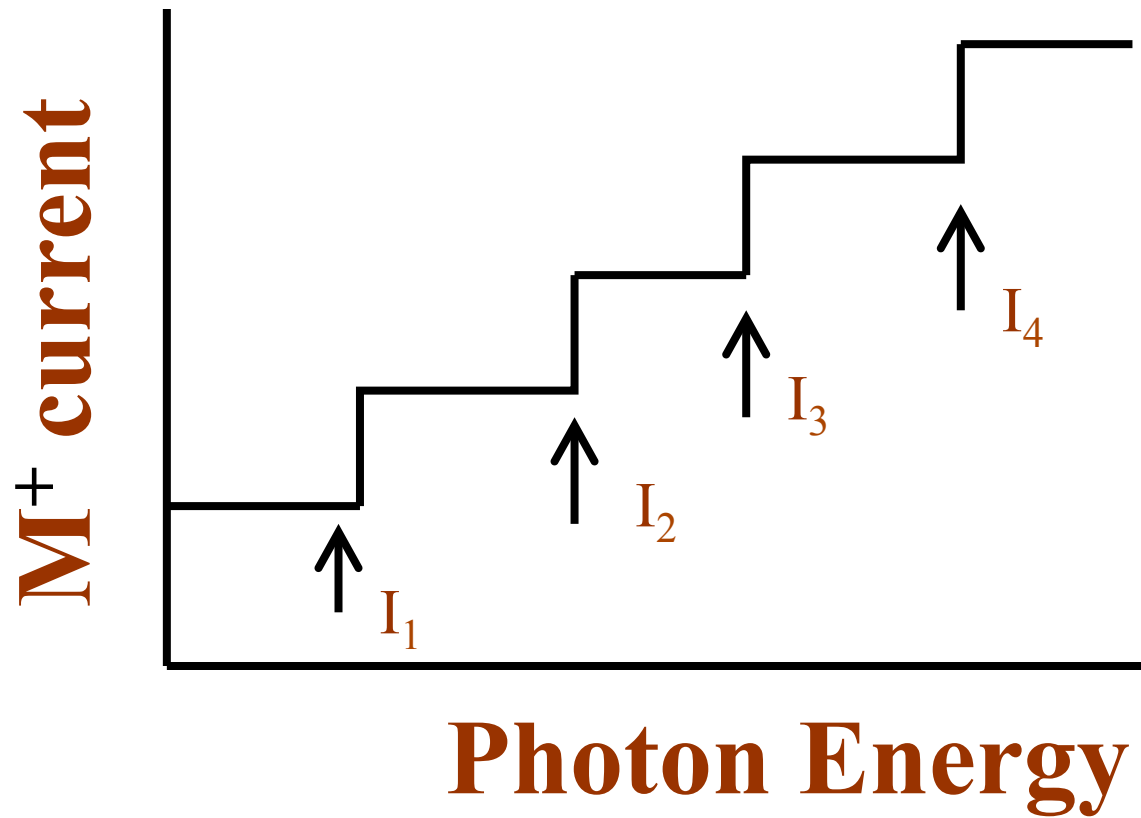


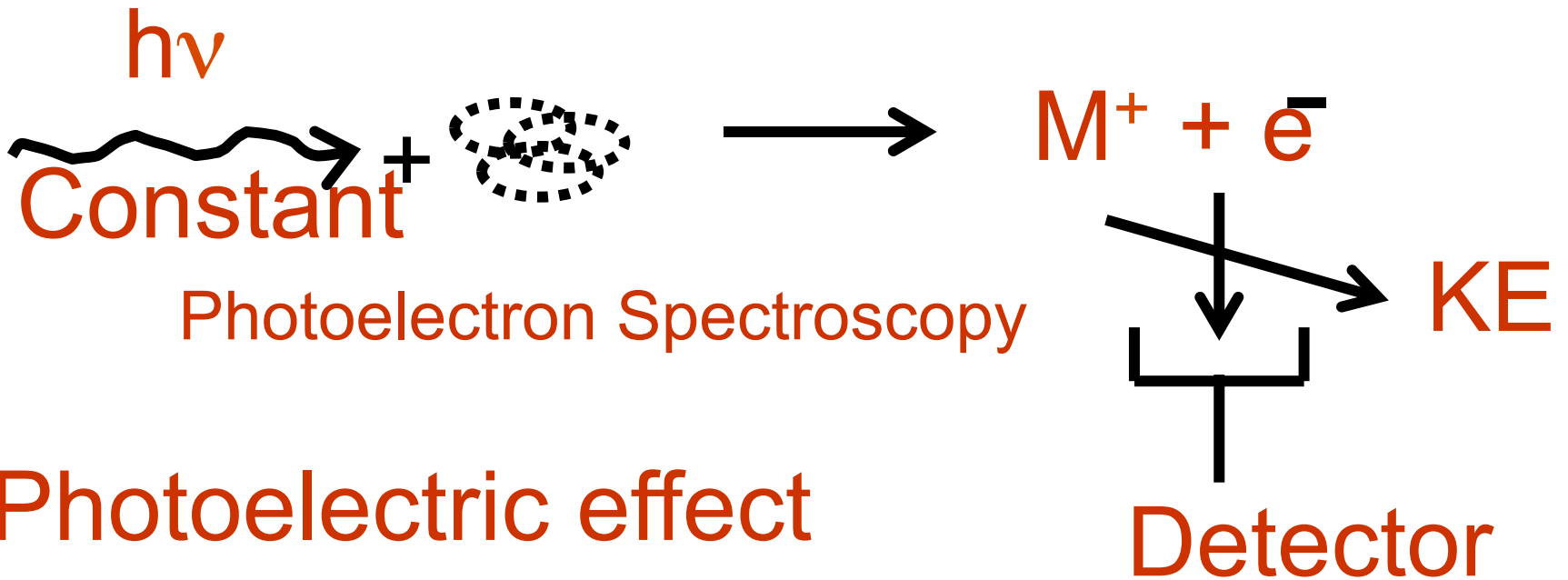
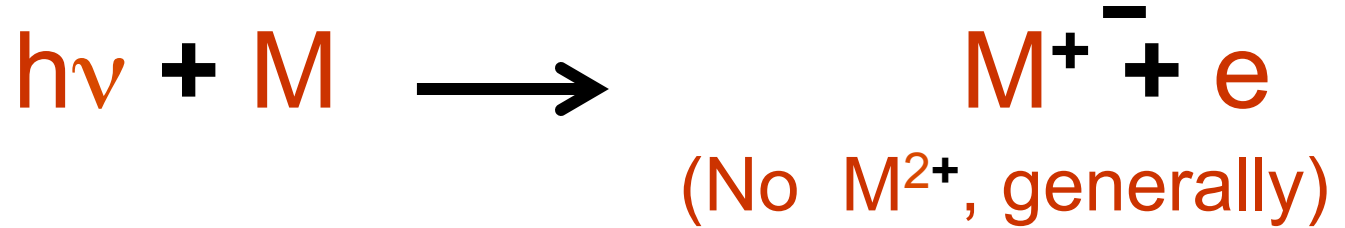
Detector

Ionization efficiency curves



Detector



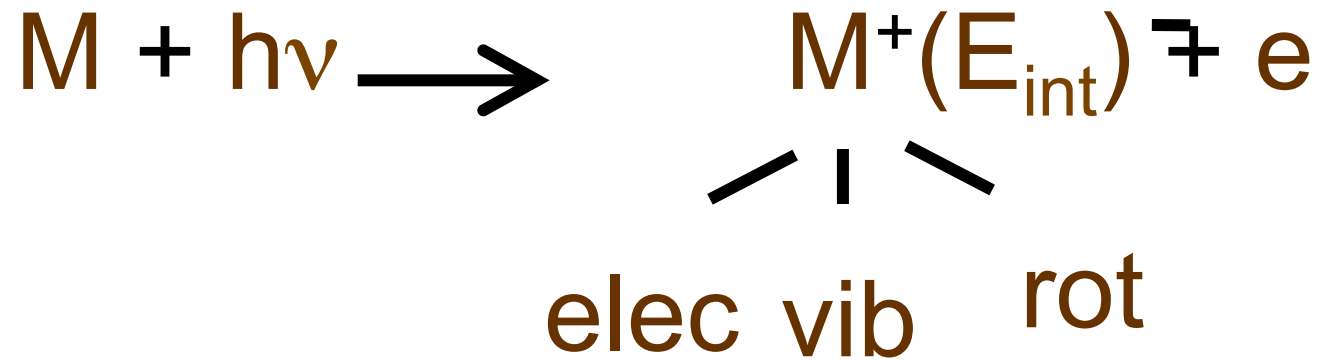


Photoelectric effect

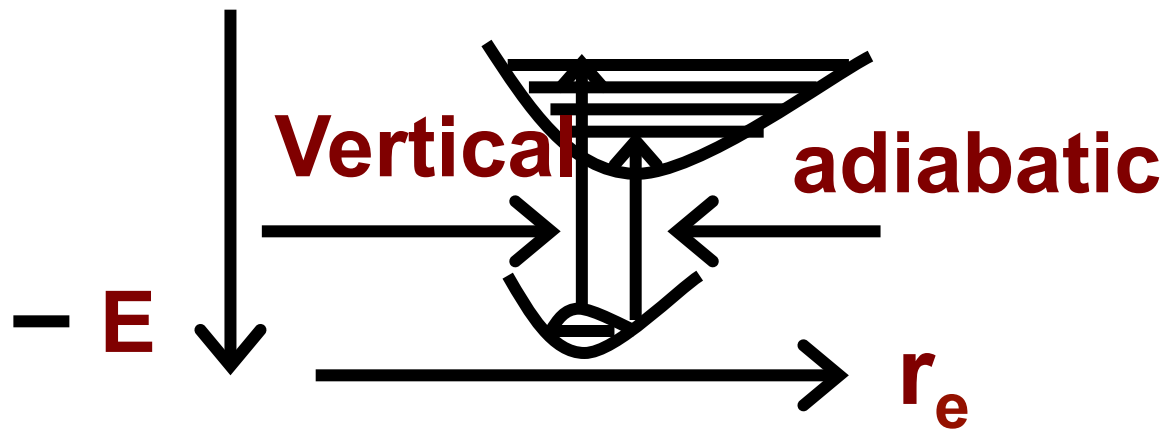
Early experiments in 1887

$$h\nu = KE + \phi \quad 1905$$

Photoion can be excited



$$h\nu - I - E_{\text{int}} = \text{KE of the electron}$$



$$h\nu - KE_1$$

$$h\nu - KE_2$$

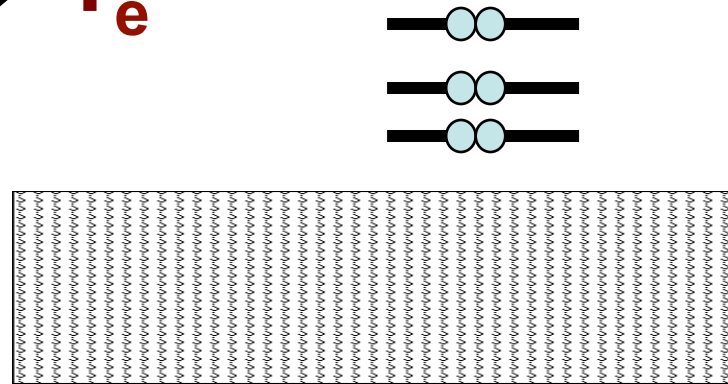
$$h\nu - KE_3$$

$$IP_1$$

$$IP_2$$

$$IP_3 \dots$$

Counts / sec



Ionization Energy

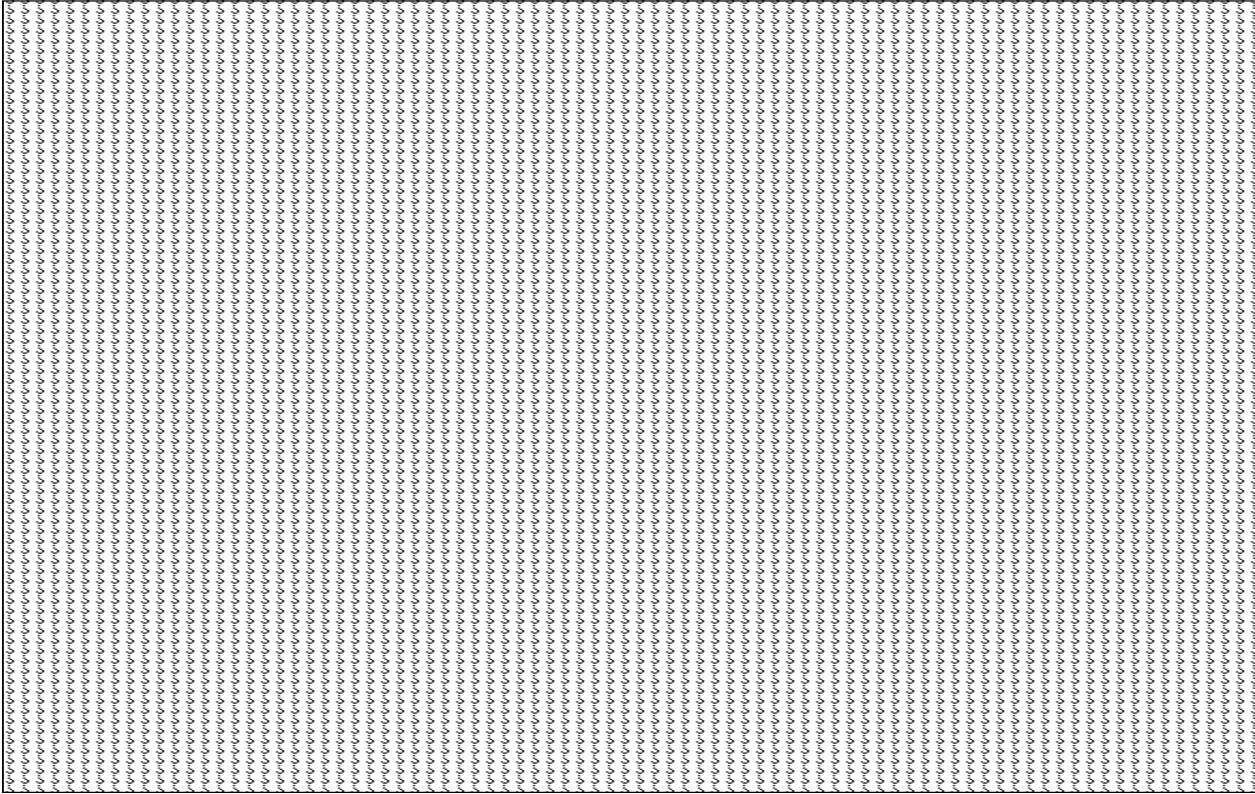
Depth of analysis depends on

photon energy

He I	21.2 eV	$2^1P \rightarrow 1^1S$
He II	40.8 eV	$2 P \rightarrow 1 S$ of He^+
Al $K_{\alpha 1, 2}$	1486.6 eV	$3/2^1P \rightarrow 1 S$
Mg $K_{\alpha 1, 2}$	1253.6 eV	"
Na $K_{\alpha 1, 2}$	1041.0 eV	"
Si $K_{\alpha 1, 2}$	1739.5 eV	"



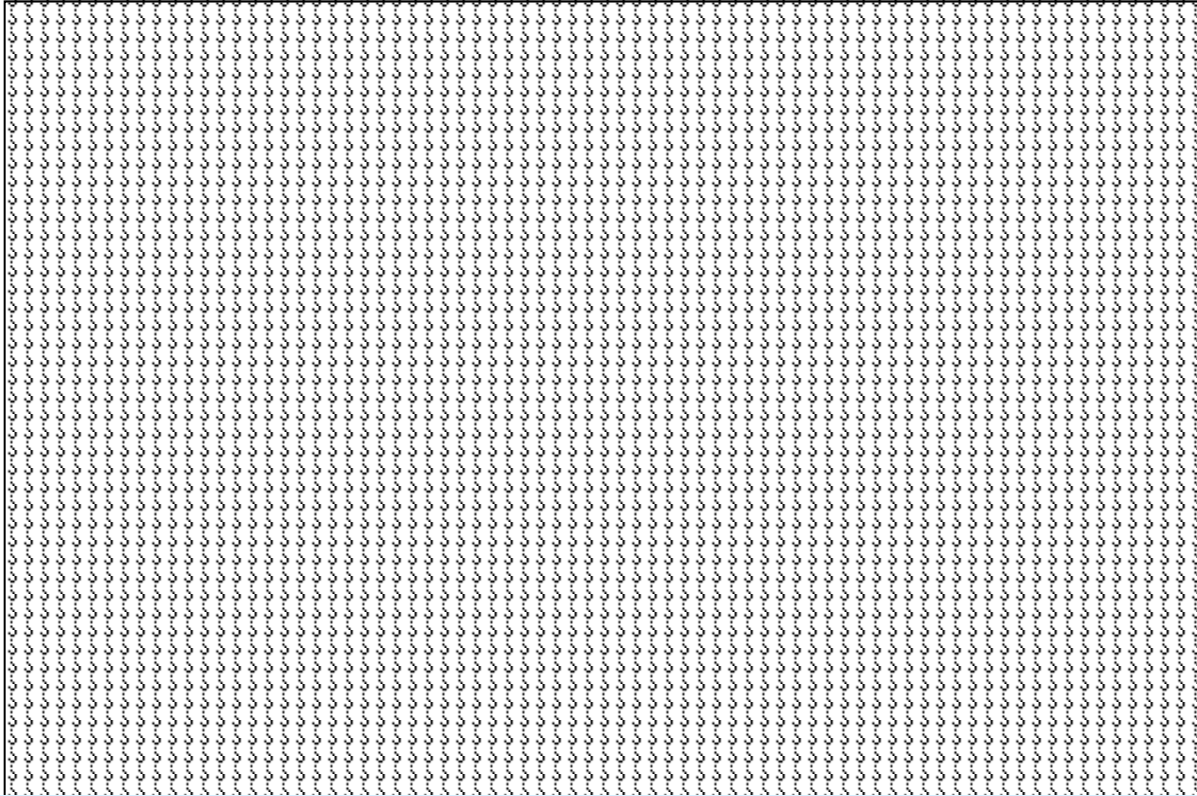
Photoelectron spectrum is a reflection of the potential energy surfaces



INTERNUCLEAR DISTANCE

UPS

XPS



XPS-spectra of the 1s core levels of Li, Be, B, C, N, O, F.

Chemical analysis – ESCA (qualitative, quantitative)

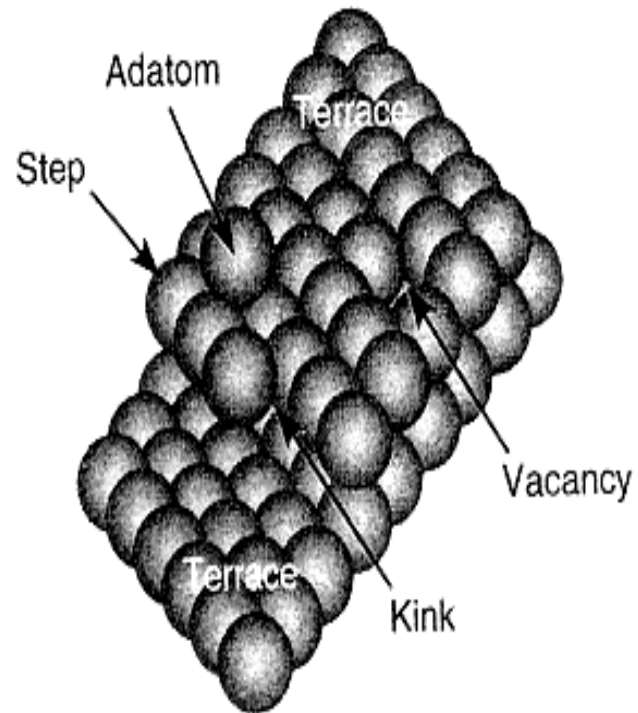
Counting Rate

Chemical Shift

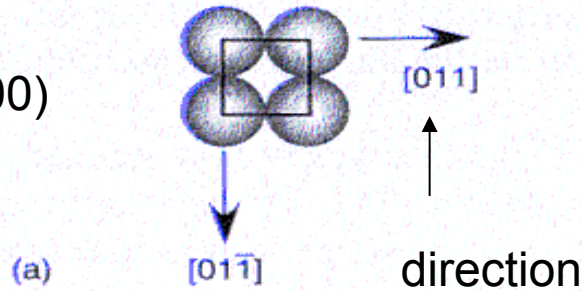
$$E_B = 291.2 \text{ eV}$$

Surface sensitivity
Inelastic mean free path

Steps, kinks and defects

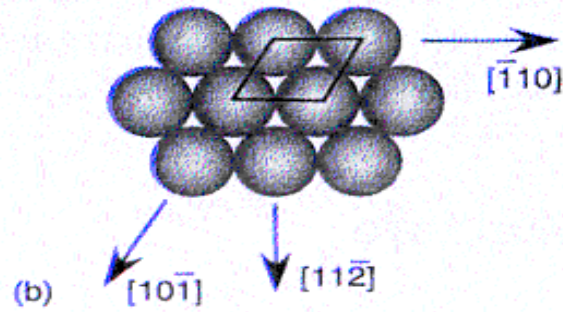


plane \longrightarrow (100)

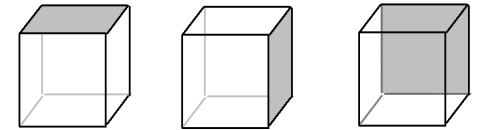


fcc unit cell

Direction and plane



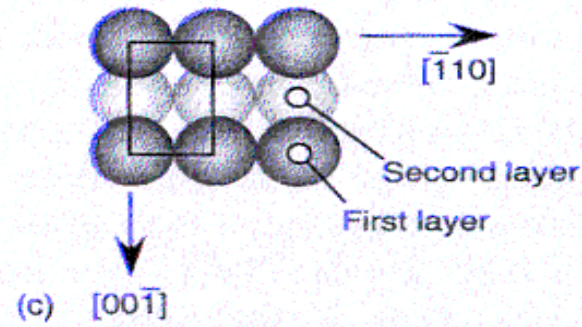
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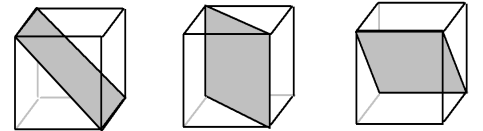
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(100)

(010)



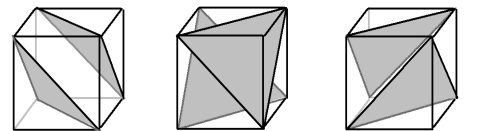
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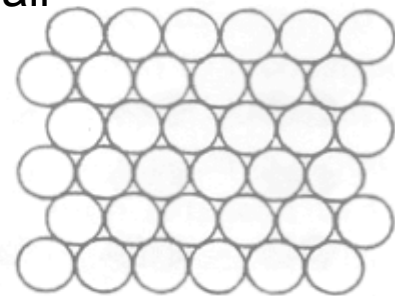
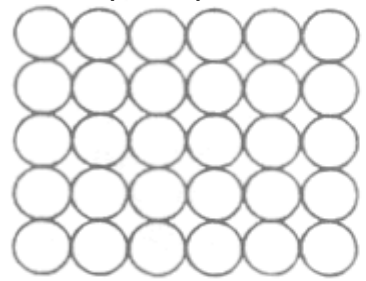
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Reconstruction

(1x1) surface for all

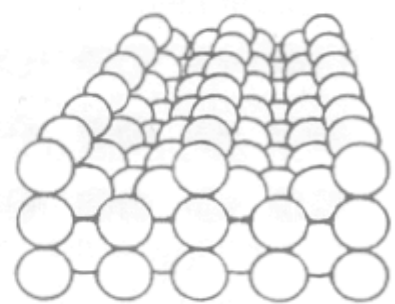
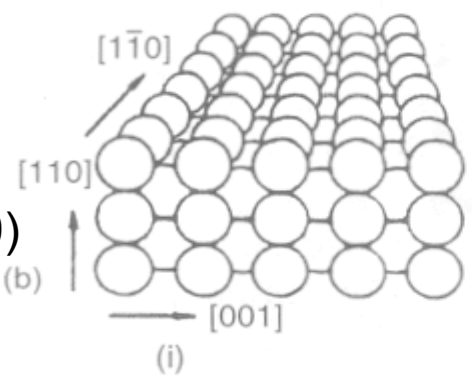
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(a)



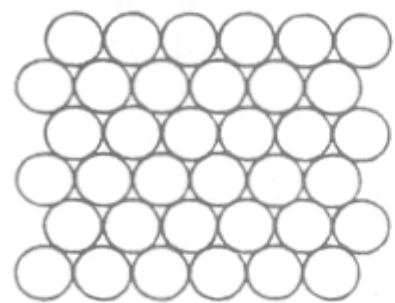
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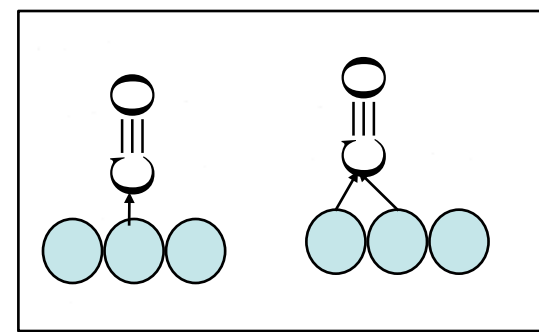


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(c)



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planes



Adsorbate structure

Determination of surface structure

AES

IR (RAIRS)

LEED

EELS and surface vibrations

SPM (STM, AFM)

SEXAFS

Surface Dynamics



Irving Langmuir 1881–1957

Nobel Prize in Chemistry 1932 "for his discoveries and investigations in surface chemistry".

Concepts of adsorption, desorption, various kinds of adsorption, energetics of adsorption, adsorption isotherms



Adsorption isotherms

Concept of theta, Θ
surface coverage

Langmuir adsorption isotherm

Assumptions

1. Adsorption does not occur beyond monolayer
2. Sites are equivalent and surface is uniform
3. Adsorption at one site is independent of occupancy at another site

Adsorption,

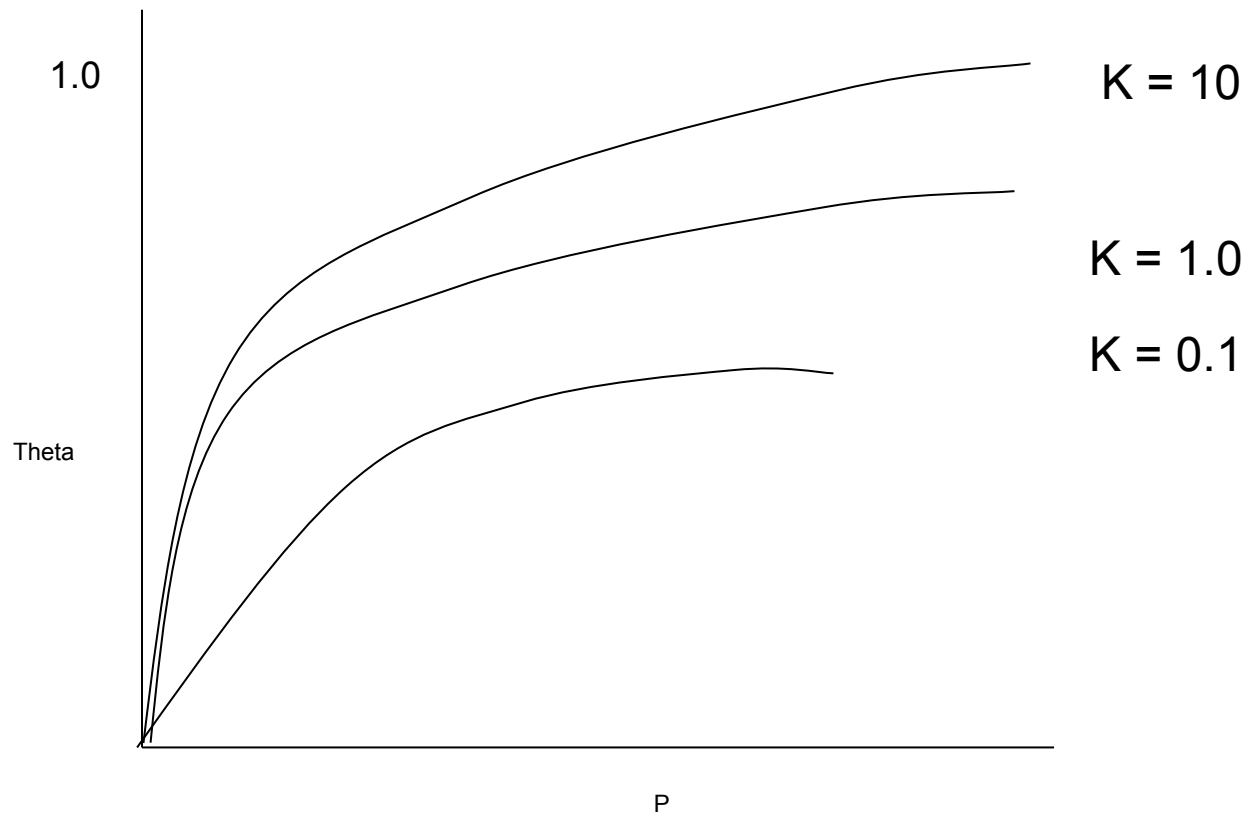
$$d\Theta/dt = k_a PN(1 - \Theta)$$

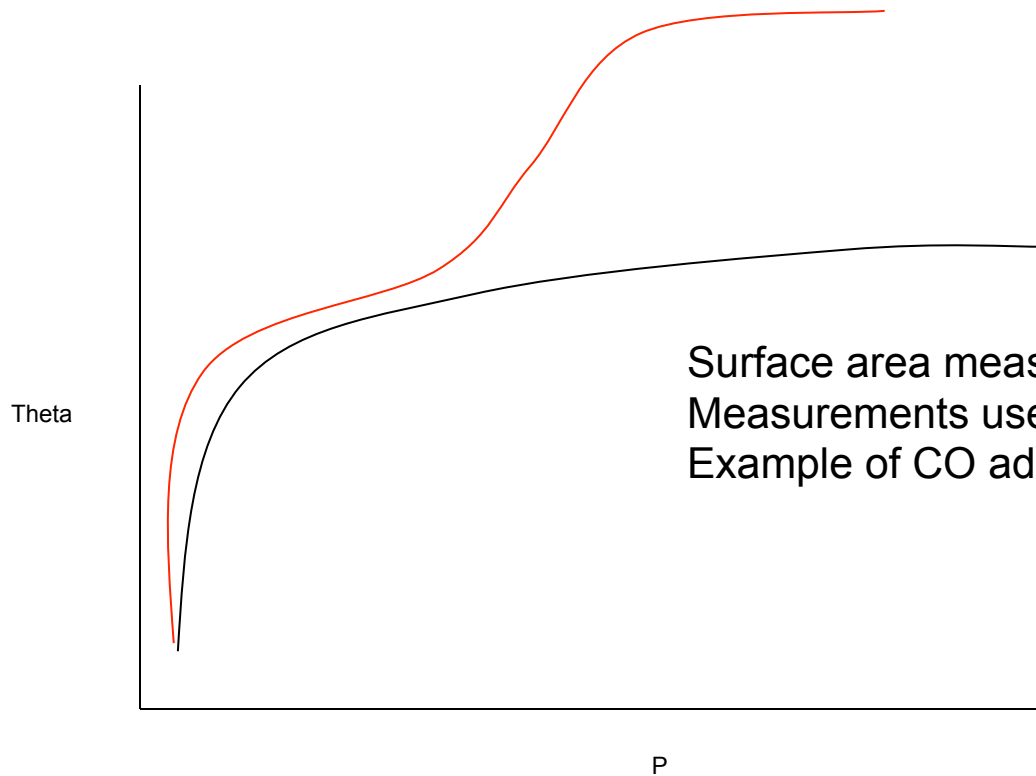
Desorption,

$$d\Theta/dt = -k_d N\Theta$$

$$K = k_a/k_d \quad P = \frac{\Theta}{K(1 - \Theta)} \quad \text{or} \quad \Theta = \frac{KP}{1 + KP}$$

It is possible to deduce this equation from first principles.





Surface area measurements
Measurements use often pressure of the gas.
Example of CO adsorption on charcoal.

Methods to measure adsorption
Flash desorption
Gravimetry – quartz crystal microbalance

Dissociative Adsorption

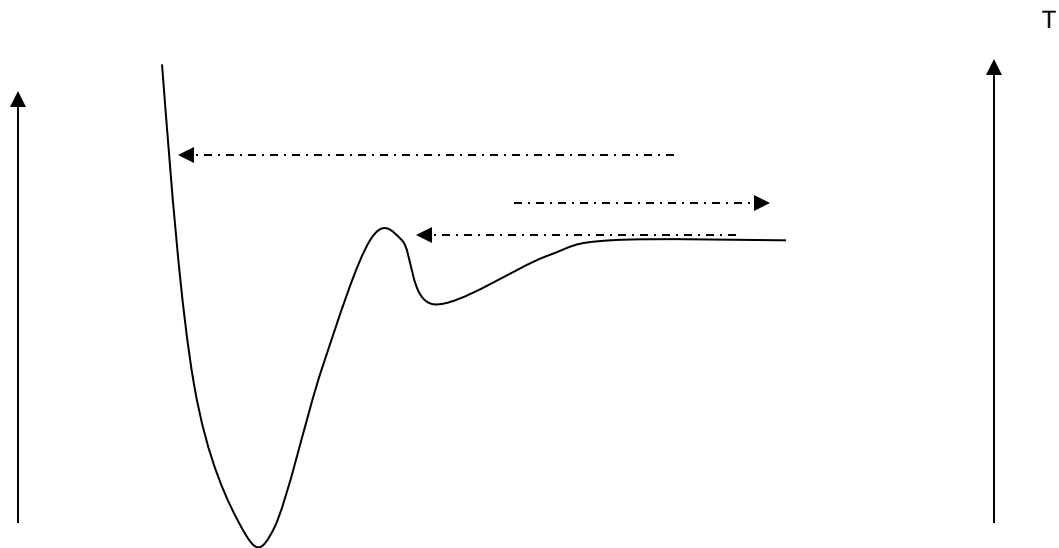
$$kd\Theta^2 = ka(1 - \Theta)^2 P$$

$$\frac{\Theta}{1 - \Theta} = \frac{ka^{1/2} P^{1/2}}{kd^{1/2}}$$

$$\Theta = \frac{(KP)^{1/2}}{1 + (KP)^{1/2}}$$

$$K = (k_a/k_d)^{1/2}$$

Adsorption and reaction



Adsorbed state