

# Frau Röntgen's hand













# X-ray tube











#### White radiation

Produced upon "collisions" with electrons in target

















## X-rays

#### Mechanism





#### Typical tube spectrum



# X-rays - vary tube voltage



### X-rays

#### More electron transitions





# Cu spectrum









# Au L spectrum



## X-rays

#### Moseley's law - energy vs. atomic number





#### Sealed tubes - Coolidge type common - Cu, Mo, Fe, Cr, W, Ag



Element	<i>Kα</i> (weighted average)*	Kα <sub>2</sub> strong	<i>K</i> α <sub>1</sub> very strong	<i>Kβ</i> 1 weak
Cr	2.29100	2.293606	2.28970	2.08487
Fe	1.937355	1.939980	1.936042	1.75661
Со	1.790260	1.792850	1.788965	1.62079
Ni	1.659122	1.661747	1.657910	1.500135
Cu	1.541838	1.544390	1.540562	1.392218
Мо	0.710730	0.713590	0.709300	0.632288

\*  $K\alpha_1$  is given twice the weight of  $K\alpha_2$ .

#### Characteristic L Lines of Tungsten

	Line	Relative intensity	Wavelength
ſ	La1	Very strong	1.47639
	Laz	Weak	1.48743
	LB	Strong	1.281809
	LB2	Medium	1.24460
	LB3	Weak	1.26269
	$L\gamma_1$	Weak	1.09855
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 $\lambda_{Ka} = (2 \lambda_{Ka1} + \lambda_{Ka2})/3$ 



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#### Intensity changes with take-off angle



#### But resolution decreases with take-off angle

focal spot - normal focus 1x10 mm --> 0.1x1mm (line)  $\alpha = 6^{\circ}$ 1x1mm (spot) fine focus 0.4 x 0.8 mm --> 0.04 x 0.8 mm (line) 0.4 x 0.8 mm (spot)





Other X-ray sources

#### Rotating anode





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#### Synchrotron

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Comparisons of spectra from various synchrotron facilities as well as laboratory  $K\alpha$  Cu and Mo radiation, and the white or brehmsstrahlung radiation from X-ray tubes: ALS is the Advanced Light Source at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, Berkeley, CA; NSLS is the National Synchrotron Light Source at Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, NY; SSRL is the Stanford Synchrotron Research Laboratory, Stanford, CA; and, APS is the Advanced Photon Source at Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, IL.

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x-ray emission at bend

Advantages

10<sup>-4</sup> - 10<sup>-5</sup> rad divergence (3-5 mm @ 4 m)

high brilliance wavelength tunable

high signal/noise ratio







#### Collimation

parallel beam	
divergent beam	

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Monochromator shape

usually flat - problems with divergent beams

concentrating type - increases I by factor of 1.5-2

