



Introduction to Cosmology

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Isaac Newton
1642 - 1727



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Light is a stream
of particles



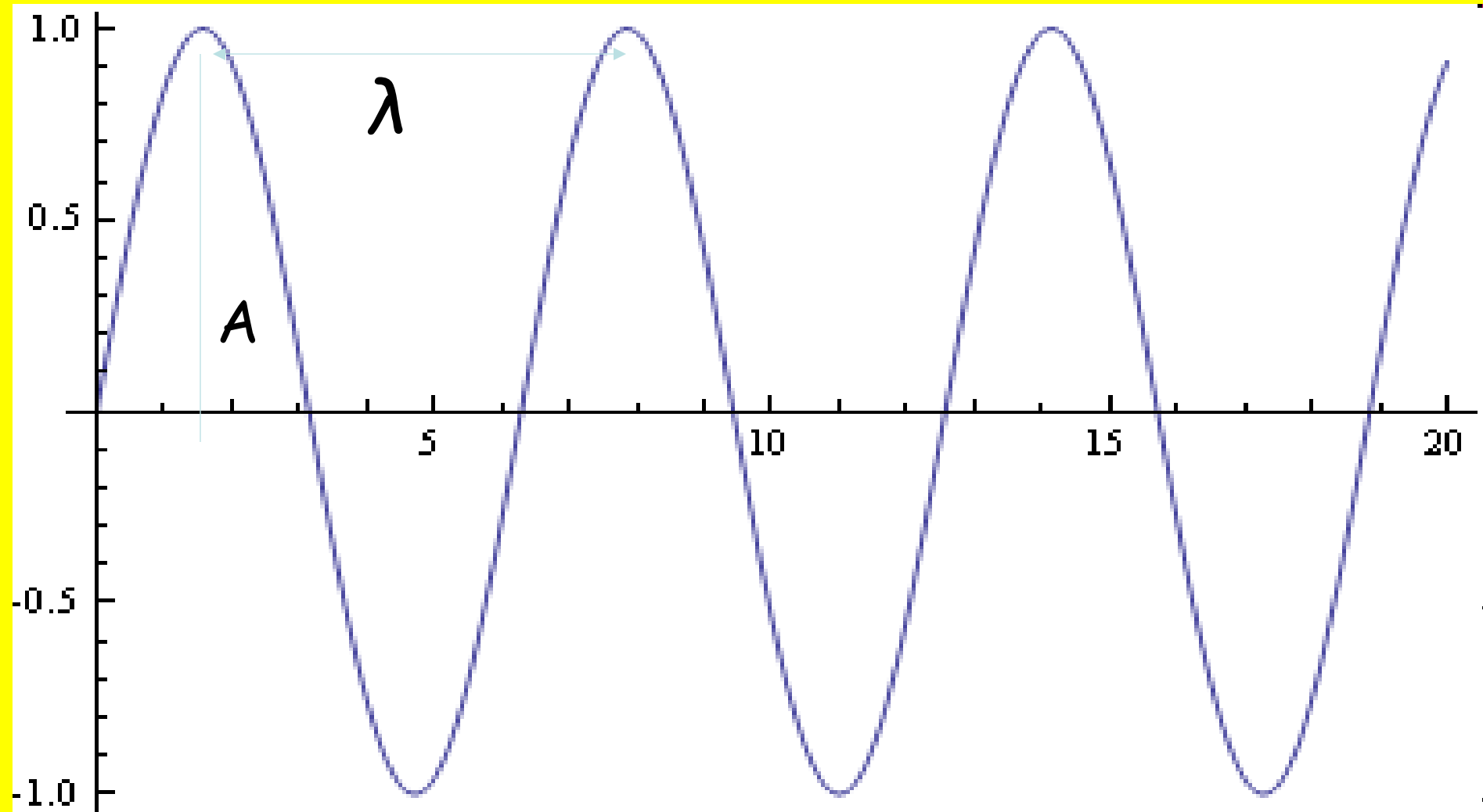
Christiaan
Huygens
1629 - 1695

Light is a wave

water waves



Simple wave



A - amplitude

λ - wavelength

Characteristics of a wave

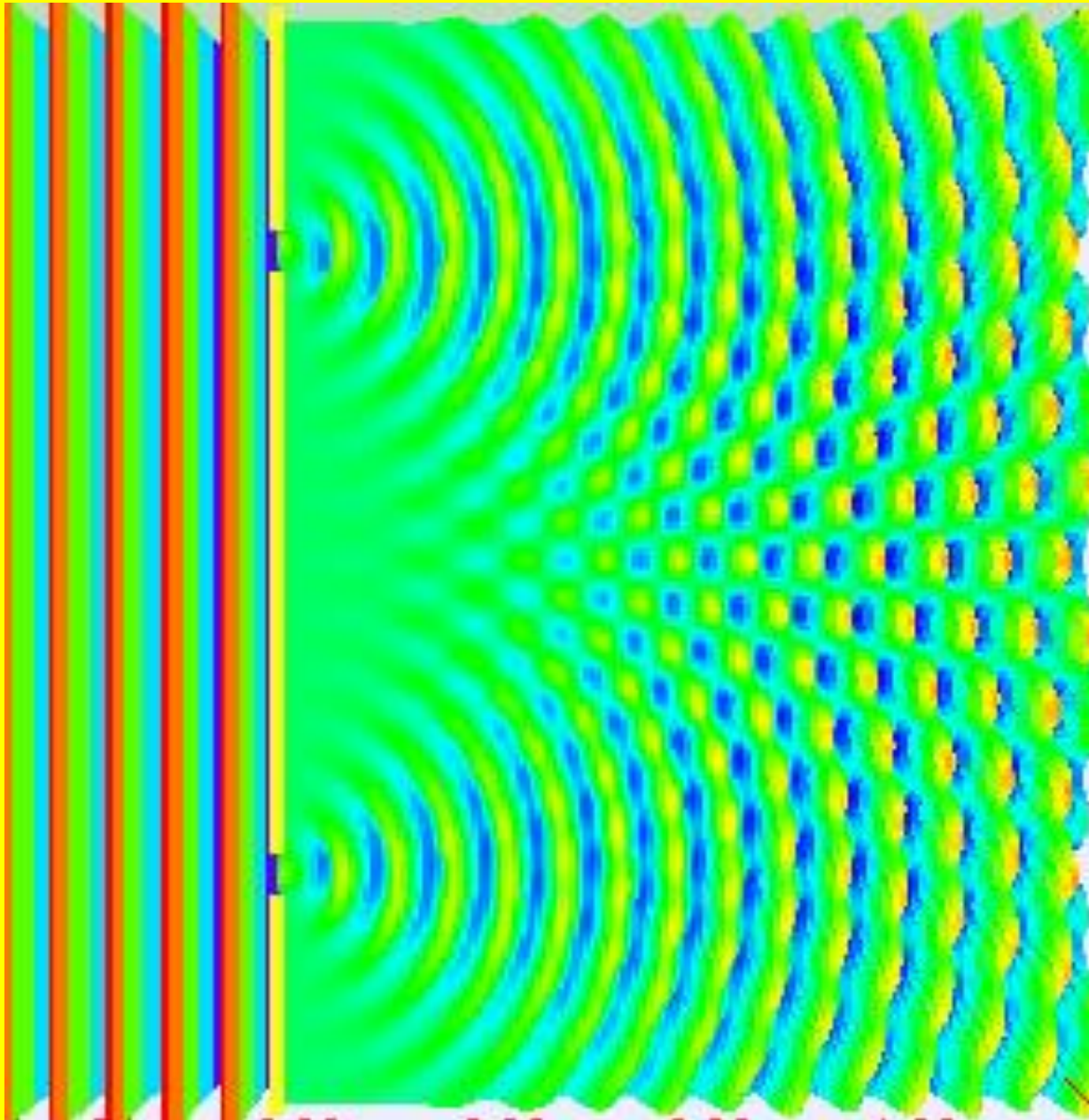
Wavelength - λ

Frequency - f

Period - $P = 1/f$

Velocity $c = \lambda/P = \lambda f$

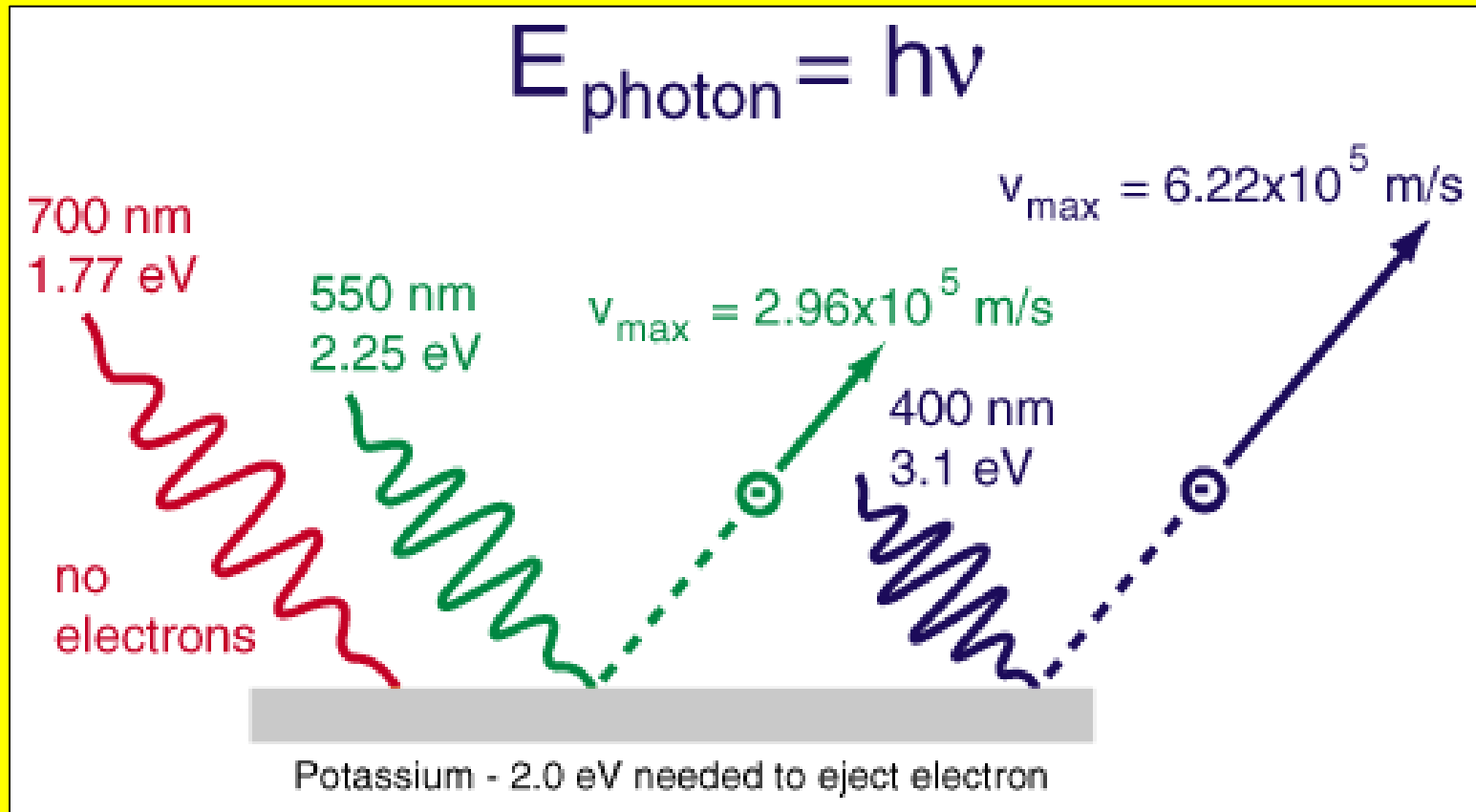
Young's double-slit experiment



Young's double-slit experiment (1801)

- Light passes through two apertures. You can think of these two apertures as two *light sources*.
- Young showed that light from these sources produces an interference pattern (recall the animation with the interference of water waves).
- So, Young showed that **light is a wave!**

The Photoelectric Effect



No matter how many photons impinge on the surface, **no electrons** will be ejected unless $E_{\text{photon}} \geq E_{\text{min}}$



Light is
a stream
of particles
(photons)

Nobel Prize
1921

So what is light ?

Sometimes light appears as a wave
and sometimes as a stream of photons

What kind of wave is light?

In 1864, Maxwell completed a unified theory of electricity and magnetism.

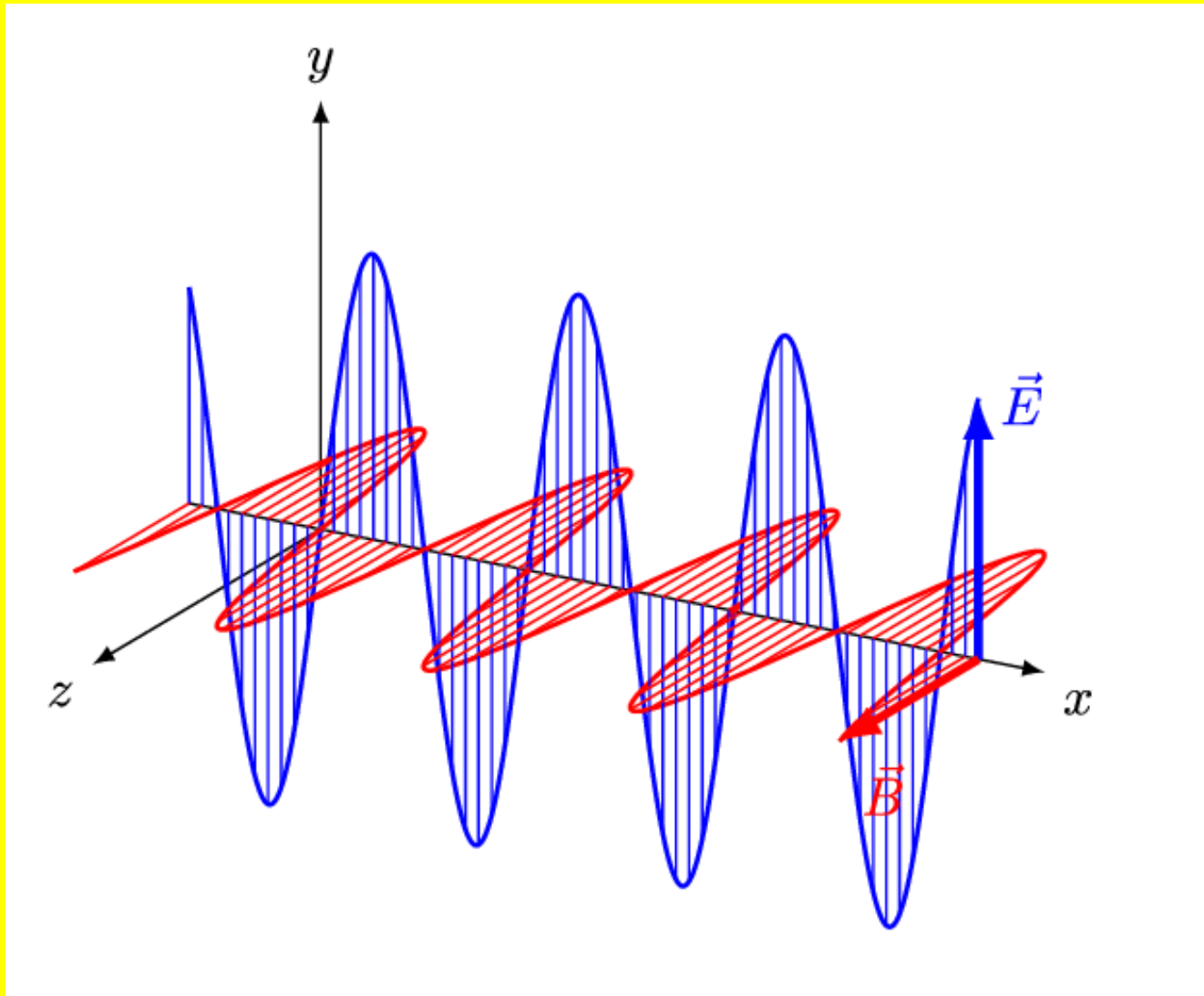
Maxwell used his equations to show that, if an electric charge oscillates back and forth, it produces an *electromagnetic wave*.

He was also able to predict that the speed of the wave is
 $c = 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

This speed agreed well with the measured value of the speed of light!

His conclusion: *light IS an electromagnetic wave!*

Light is an electromagnetic wave
It can propagate in vacuum!



Basic properties of light

- Light is an electromagnetic wave !
- Light can propagate in vacuum !
- The speed of light does not depend on the relative motion of the source of light and an observer.
- Light is a stream of particles (photons)!

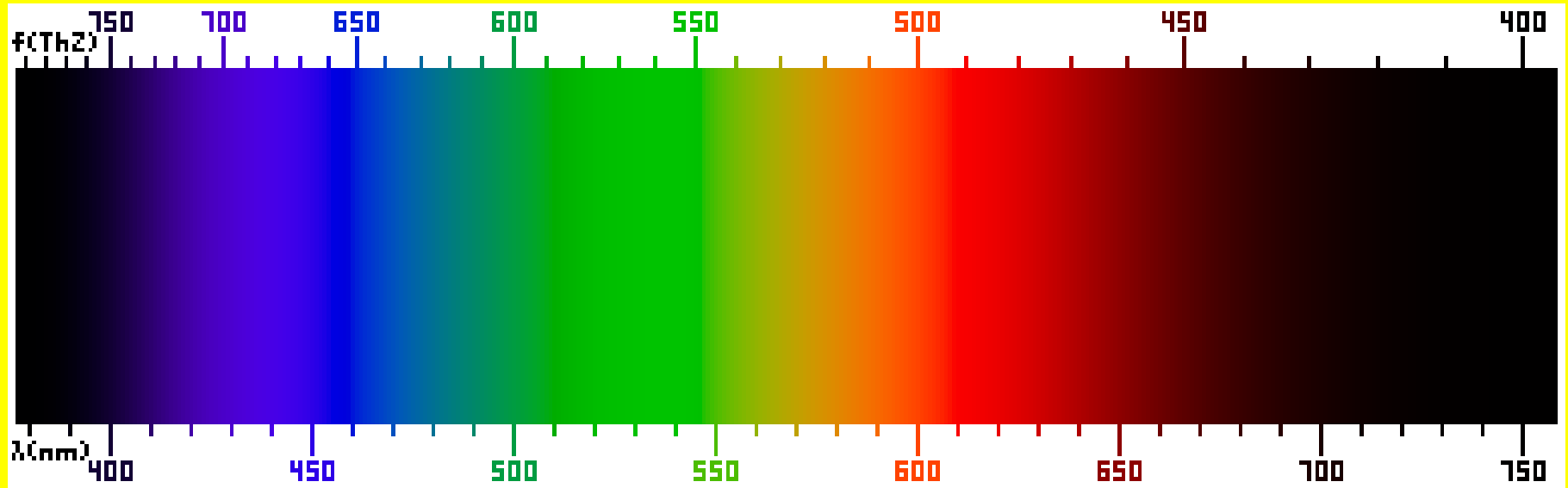
$$E_{\text{photon}} = h \cdot \nu$$

h - Planck constant

Color depends on temperature



Colors and the Spectrum



But what governs the *distribution* of light across the spectrum and the color we perceive?

Max Planck to the Rescue!

$$I_n = B_n = \frac{2hn^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^{hn/kT} - 1}$$



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h = Planck's cst k = Boltzmann's cst c = speed of light

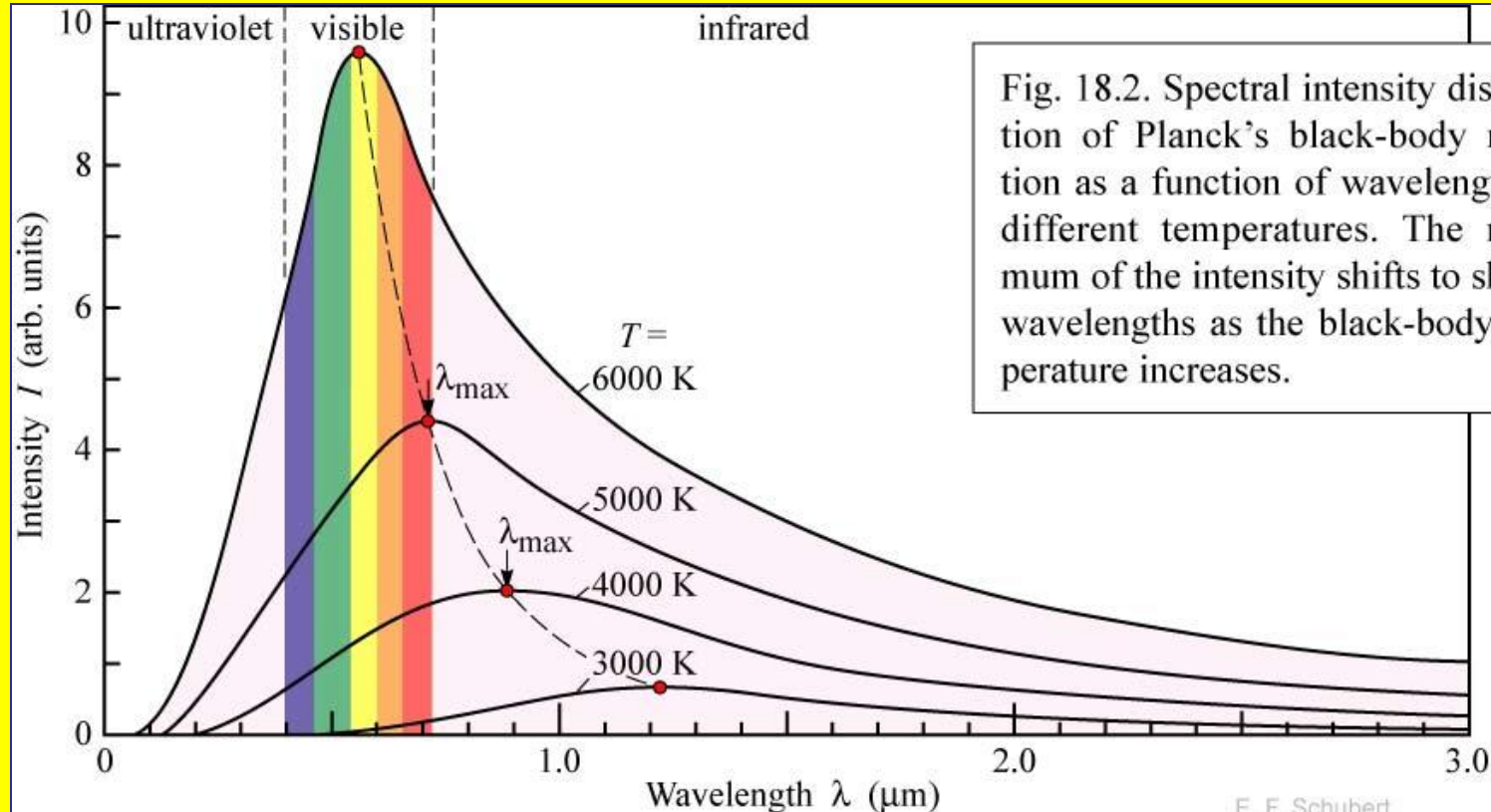


Fig. 18.2. Spectral intensity distribution of Planck's black-body radiation as a function of wavelength for different temperatures. The maximum of the intensity shifts to shorter wavelengths as the black-body temperature increases.

Two Additional Useful Relations

The Stefan-Boltzmann law

Says: integral under Planck curve equals the total power emitted per unit area of a blackbody:

$$E_{total} = \int_0^\infty E_v dn = sT^4$$

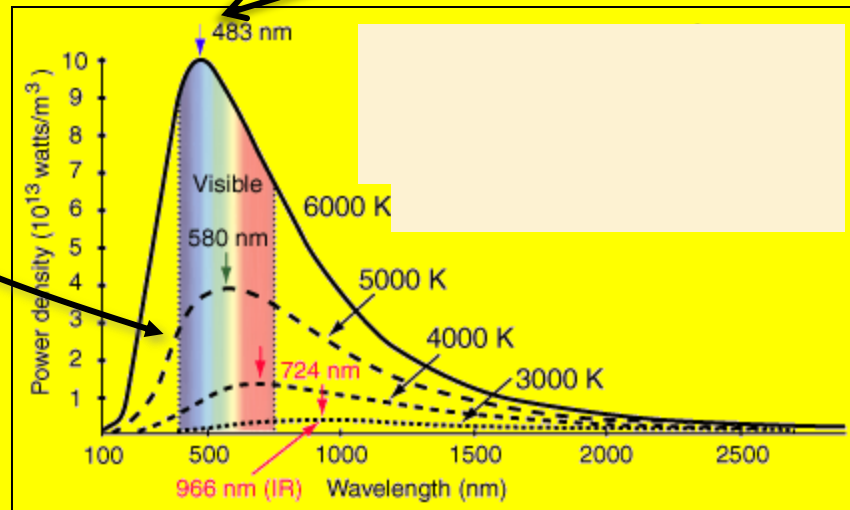
s = Stefan - Boltzmann cst

$$E_v = I_v$$

Wien's Law

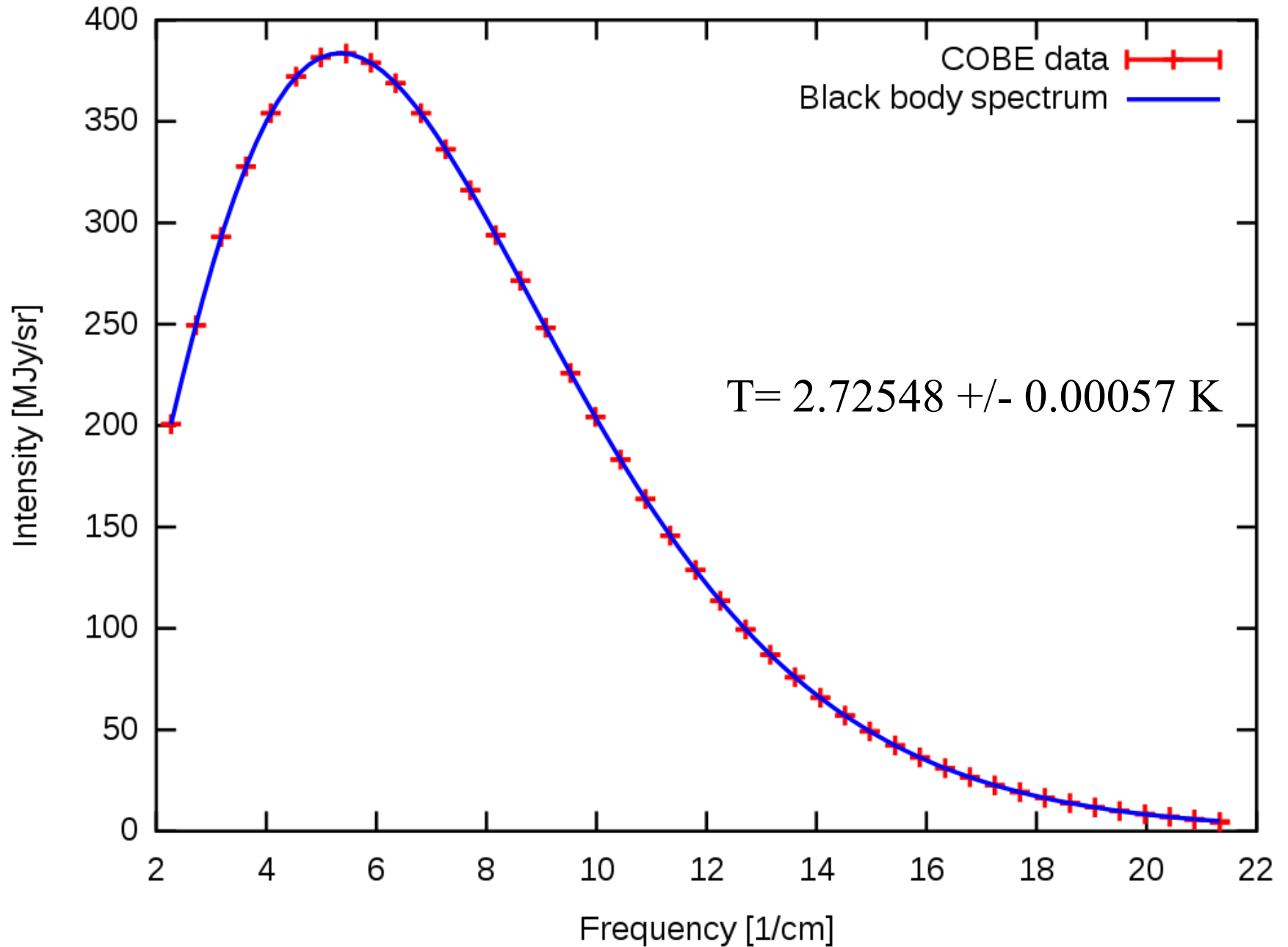
Says: wavelength of peak emission is where derivative of Planck curve is zero, and is given by:

$$\lambda_{max} \cdot T = 2.898 \cdot 10^6 \text{ nm} \cdot \text{K}$$



Both laws can be used to derive the surface temperature of a star!
How...?

Cosmic microwave background spectrum (from COBE)

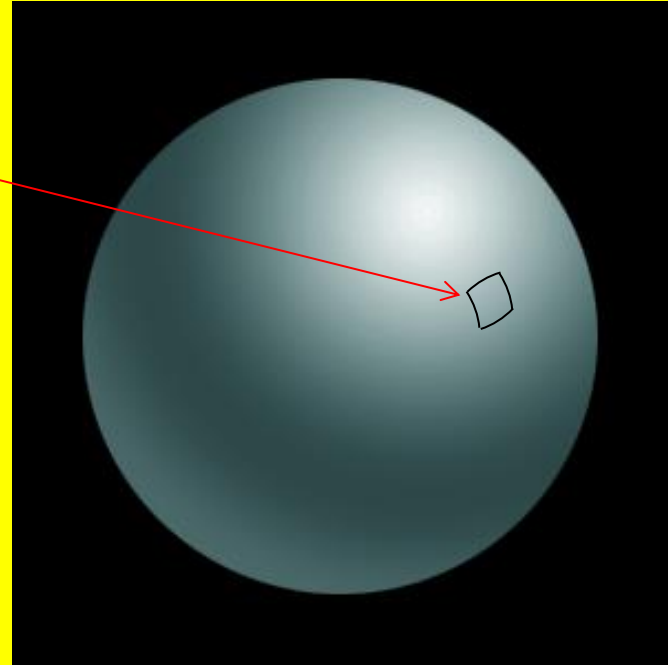


Stellar Luminosity = total power (E/sec)

Stefan-Boltzmann Law
describes E/sec per unit area
 $=\sigma T^4$

Luminosity = total power from
entire surface area ($4\pi R_*^2$):

$$L = 4\pi R_*^2 \sigma T^4$$



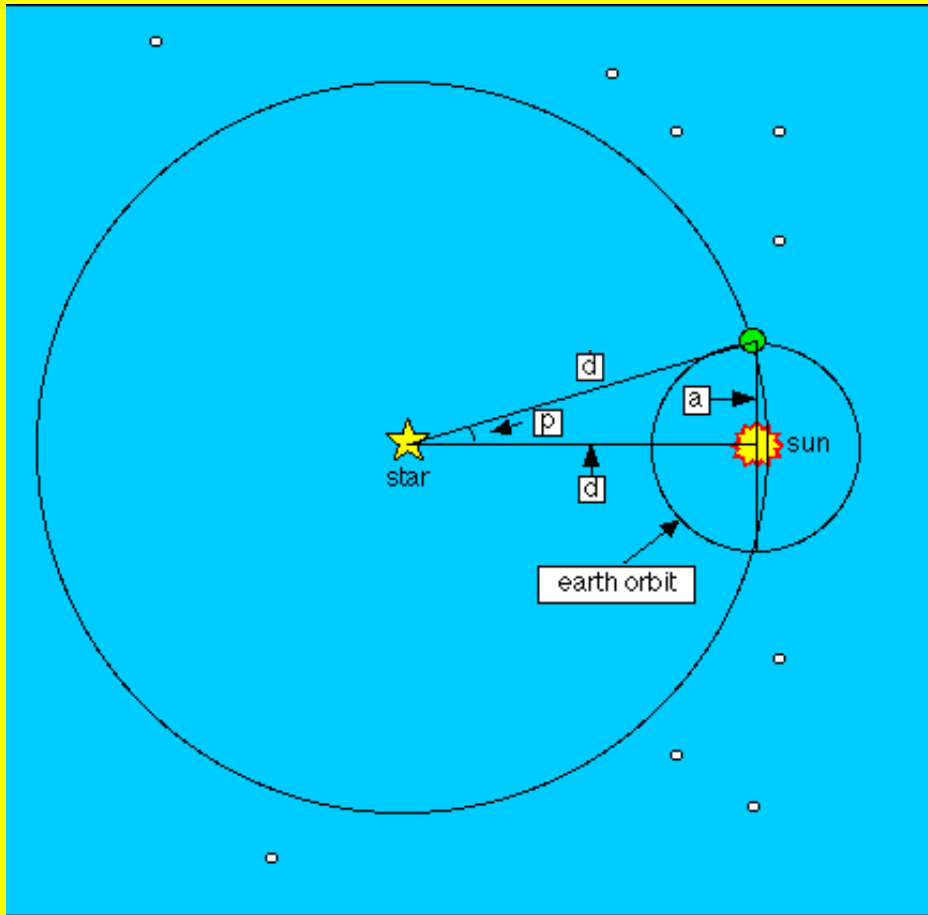
$$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-4}$$

Example: $R_{\odot} = 7 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m}$
 $T_{\odot} = 5800 \text{ K}$

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\odot} &= 4\pi \cdot (7 \times 10^8)^2 \cdot 5.67 \cdot 10^{-8} \cdot (5800)^4 \\ &= 3.95 \cdot 10^{26} \text{ W} (= \text{J/s}) \\ &= 1 \text{ Solar Luminosity } (L_{\odot}) \end{aligned}$$

Distances to Stars: The Principle of Parallax

$a=1\text{AU} = 1.49 \cdot 10^{11} \text{ m}$ d =distance to star in AU p =parallax angle*



$$\sin p \approx \tan p \approx p_{\text{rad}} = 1/d_{\text{AU}}$$

But parallaxes are tiny!

Let's express them in arcsec ("):

$$p_{\text{rad}} = p''/206265 = 1/d_{\text{AU}}$$

Let's define a new unit: *parsec* (pc)

$$1 \text{ pc} = 206265 \text{ AU}$$

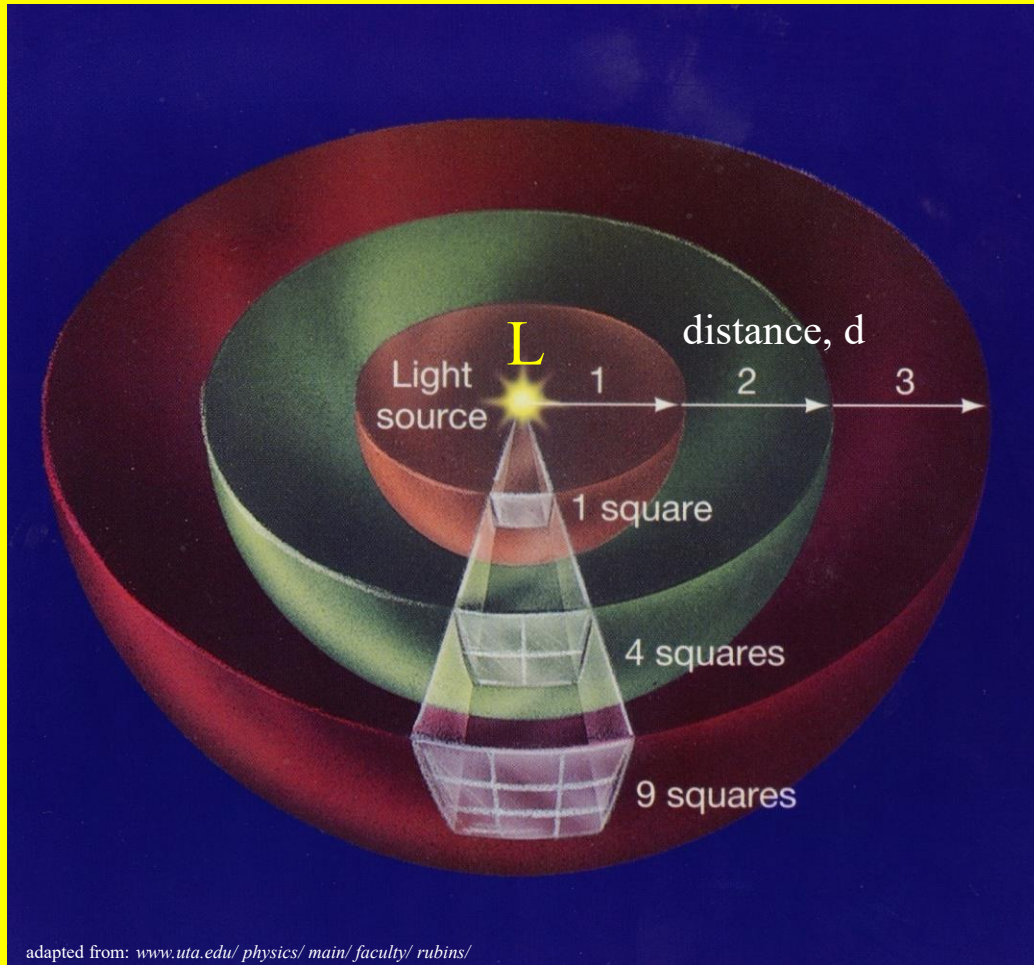
$$\text{So: } \frac{p''}{206265} = \frac{1}{d_{\text{AU}}} = \frac{1}{206265 d_{\text{pc}}}$$

$$\rightarrow p'' = \frac{1}{d_{\text{pc}}} \quad \text{and} \quad d_{\text{pc}} = \frac{1}{p''}$$

*In practice, we make measurements 6 months apart, so total angular shift is $2p$.

Inverse square law: Flux declines as $1/d^2$

Flux = energy received per unit area per unit time e.g. $W m^{-2}$



At larger d , the same total amount of light is spread more thinly; less falls on each area:

$$F_{d_1} = \frac{L}{4\pi d_1^2}$$

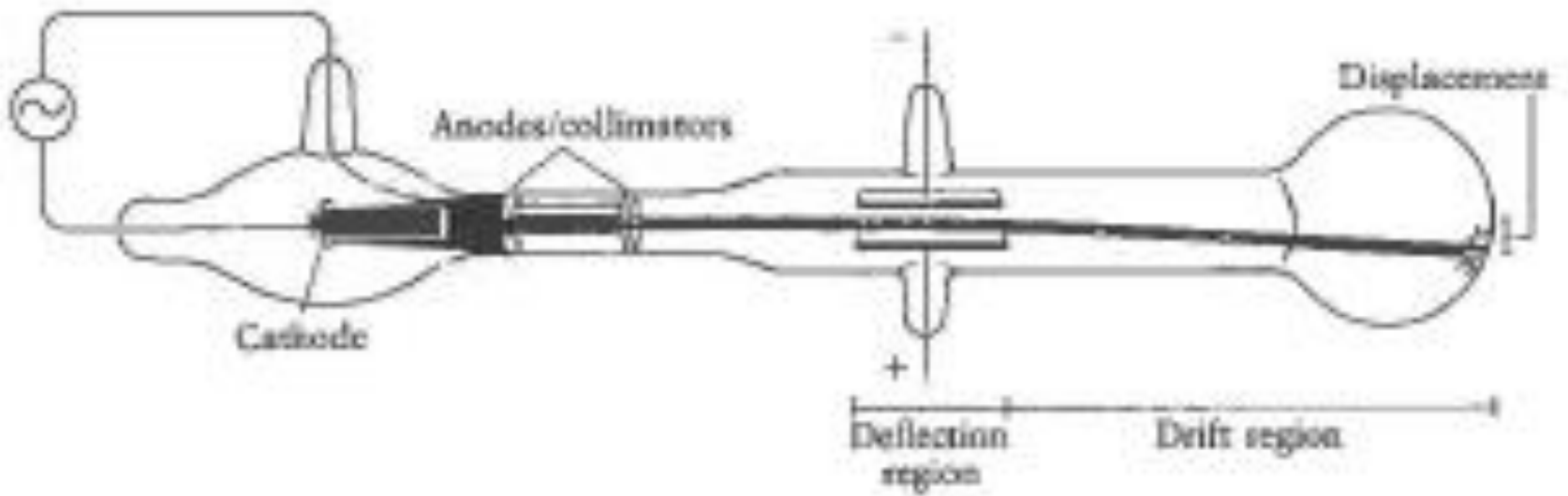
$$F_{d_2} = \frac{L}{4\pi d_2^2}$$

$$\frac{F_{d_2}}{F_{d_1}} = \frac{d_1^2}{d_2^2}$$

Recall: L = Luminosity = total power output from star ($\neq F(d)$)



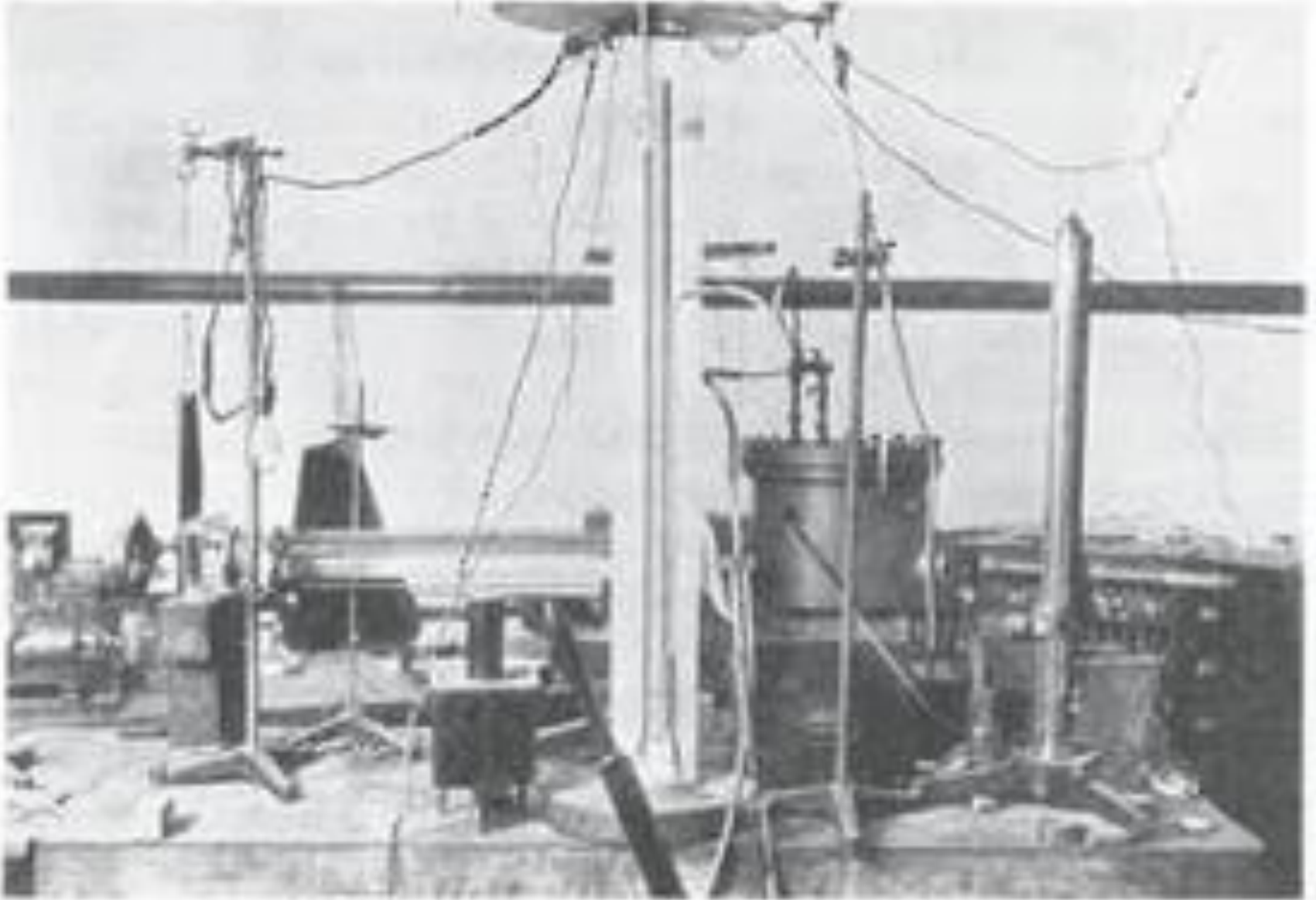
J J Thomson



Electrons carry charge and have mass

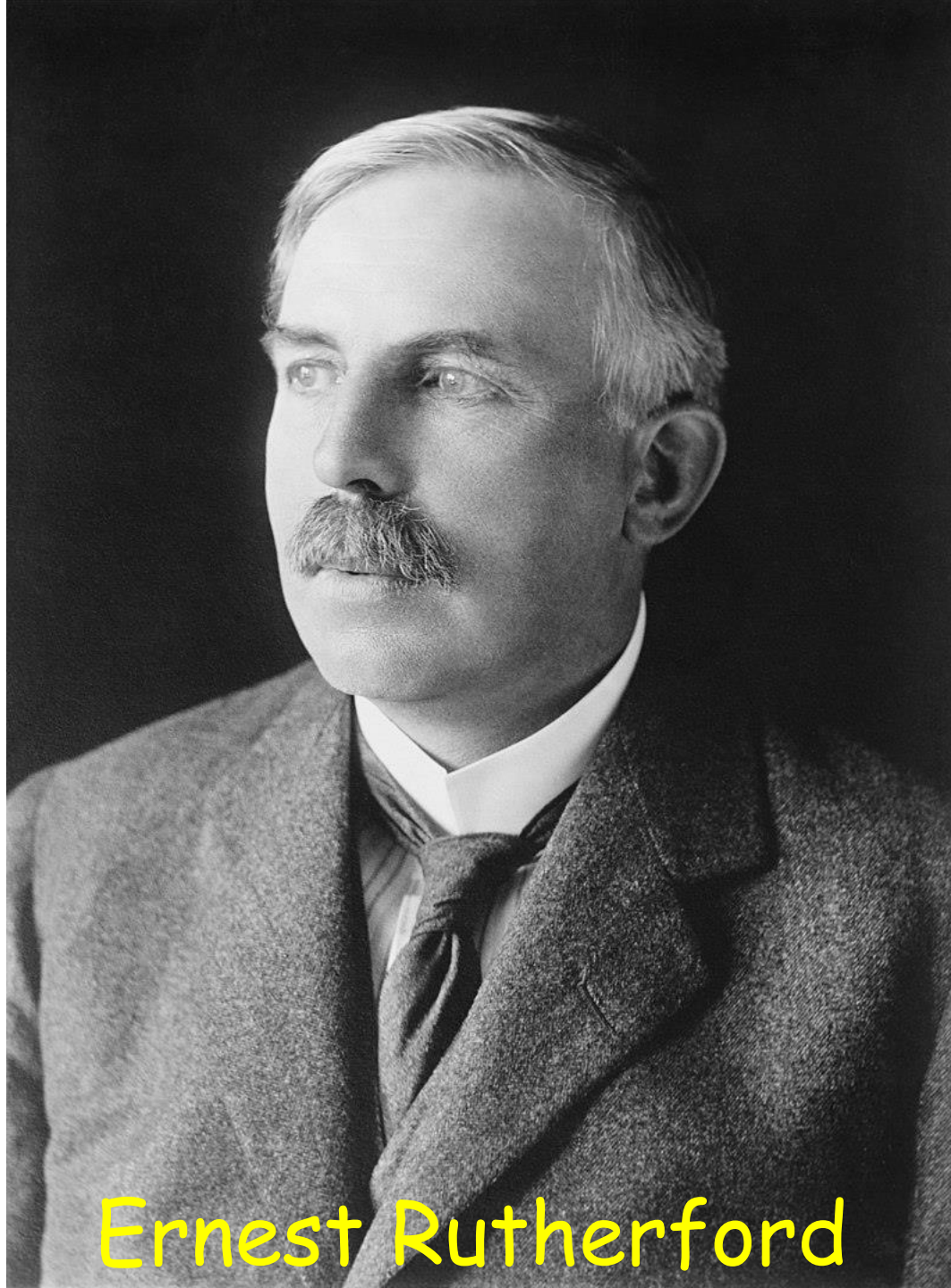


Robert A Millikan

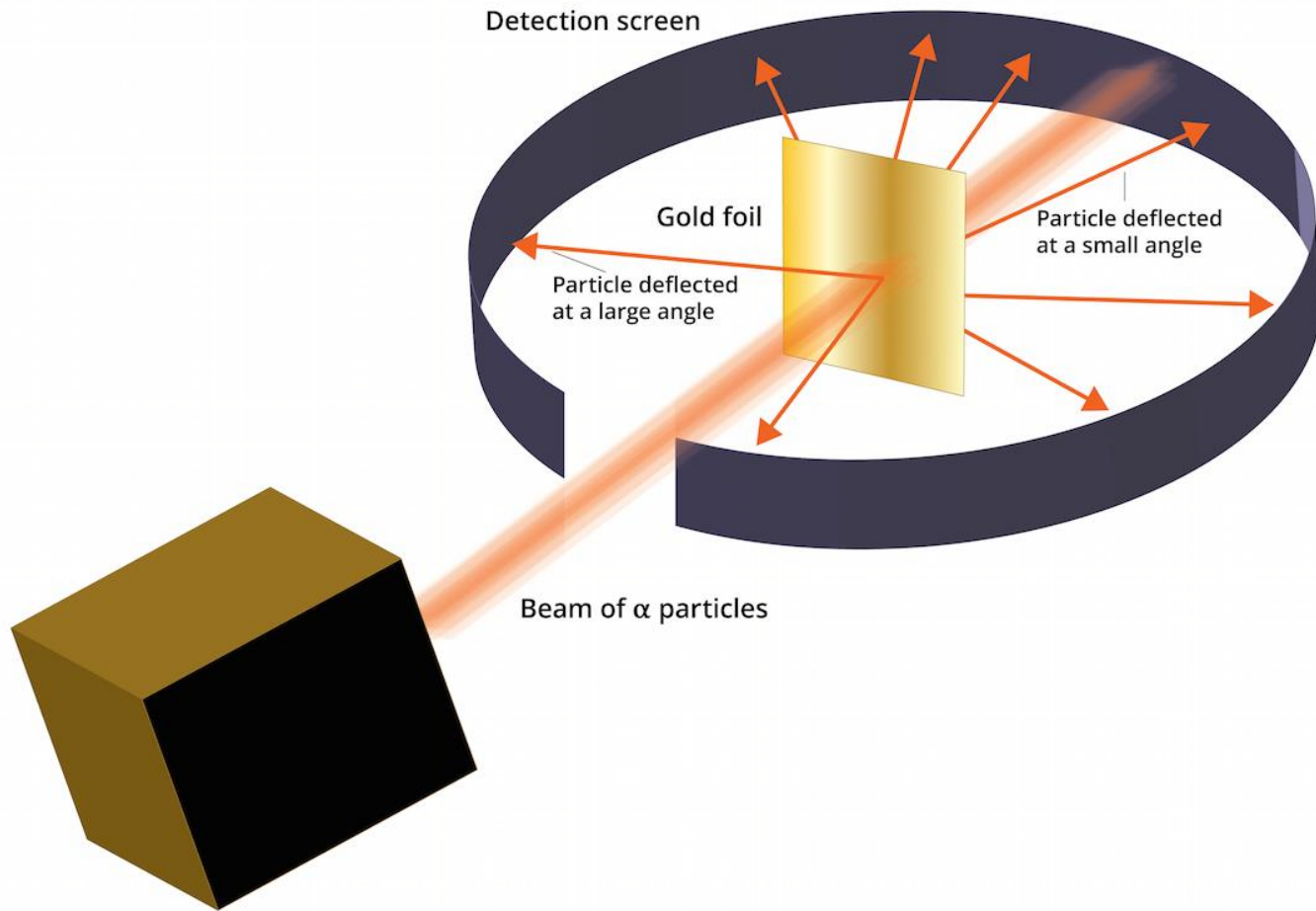


The apparatus used by Millikan in his oil-drop experiments.

Millikan measured charge of an electron



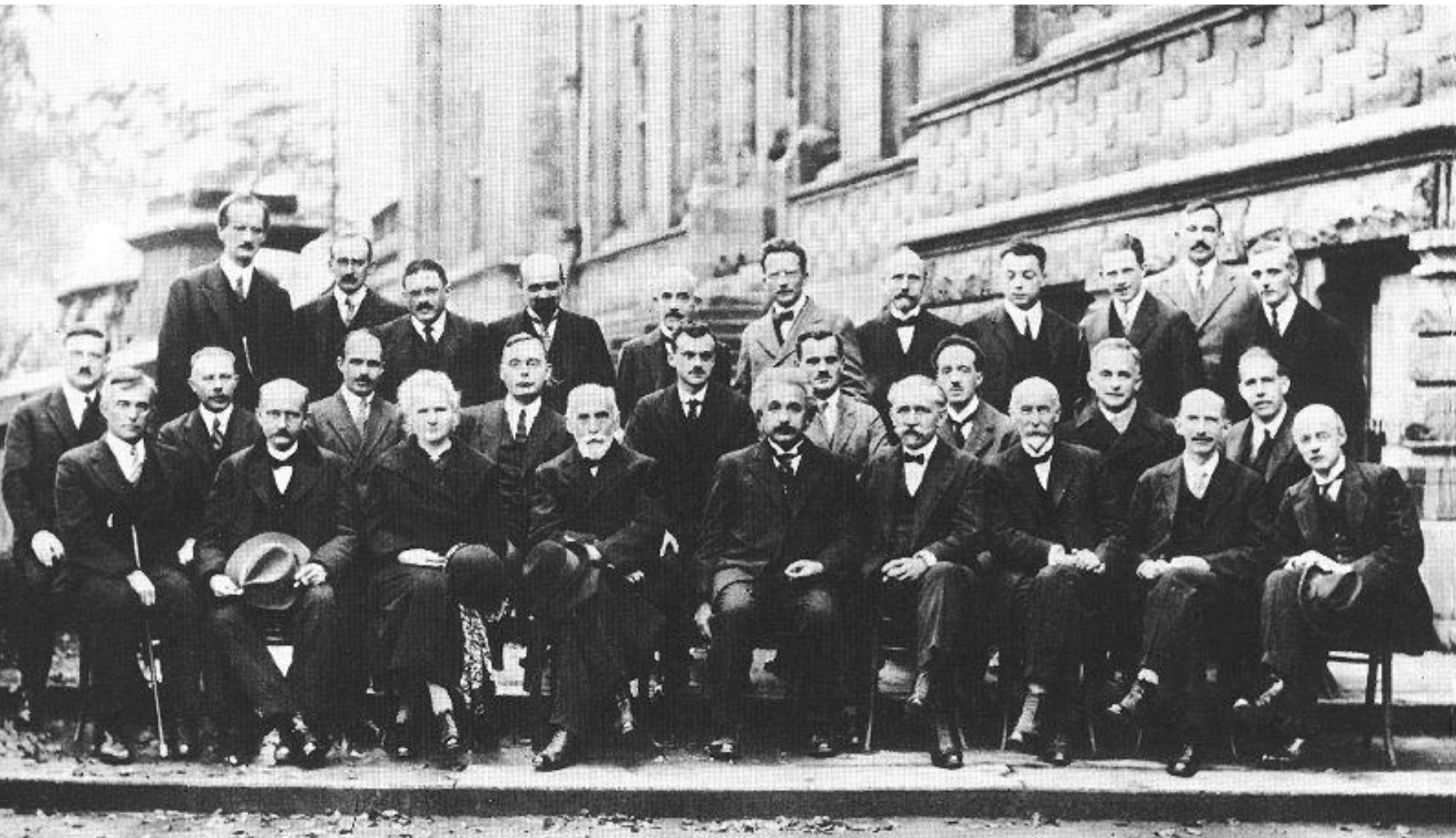
Ernest Rutherford



The Rutherford experiment (1911)



Spectrum of hydrogen gas



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Atoms and Light

Max Planck (1900) radiation is composed of packets of energy $E = h\nu$.

Louis de Broglie (1923) particles can be treated as waves $\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$, $p = mv$ - momentum

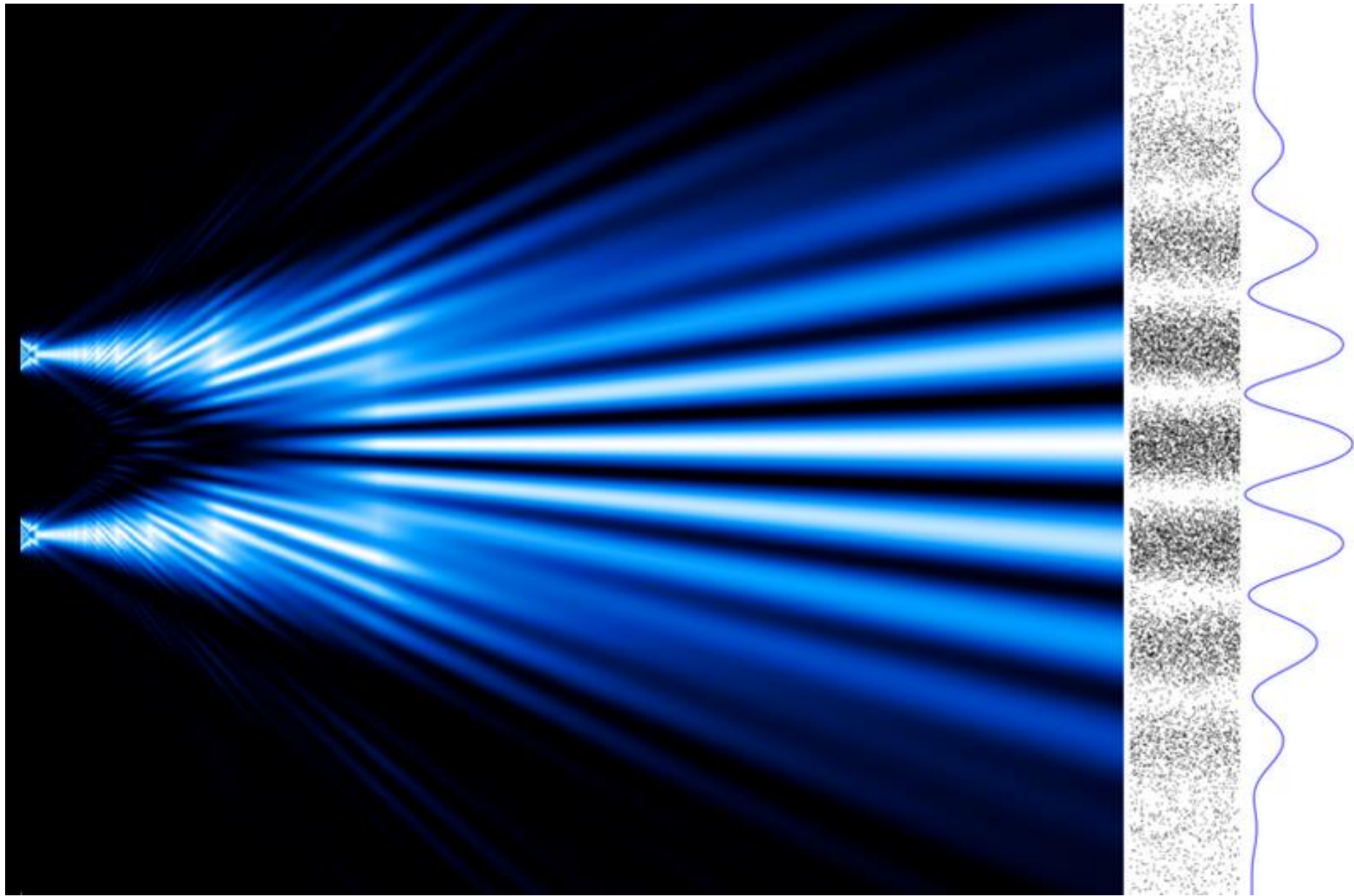
Planetary motion (Newtonian gravity)

$$\frac{m_P v^2}{r} = \frac{G m_p M_\odot}{r^2}.$$

Rutherford experiment (1911) positive charge concentrated in the nucleus is surrounded by a cloud of electrons.

Simple model of an hydrogen atom: central proton + electron on a circular orbit.

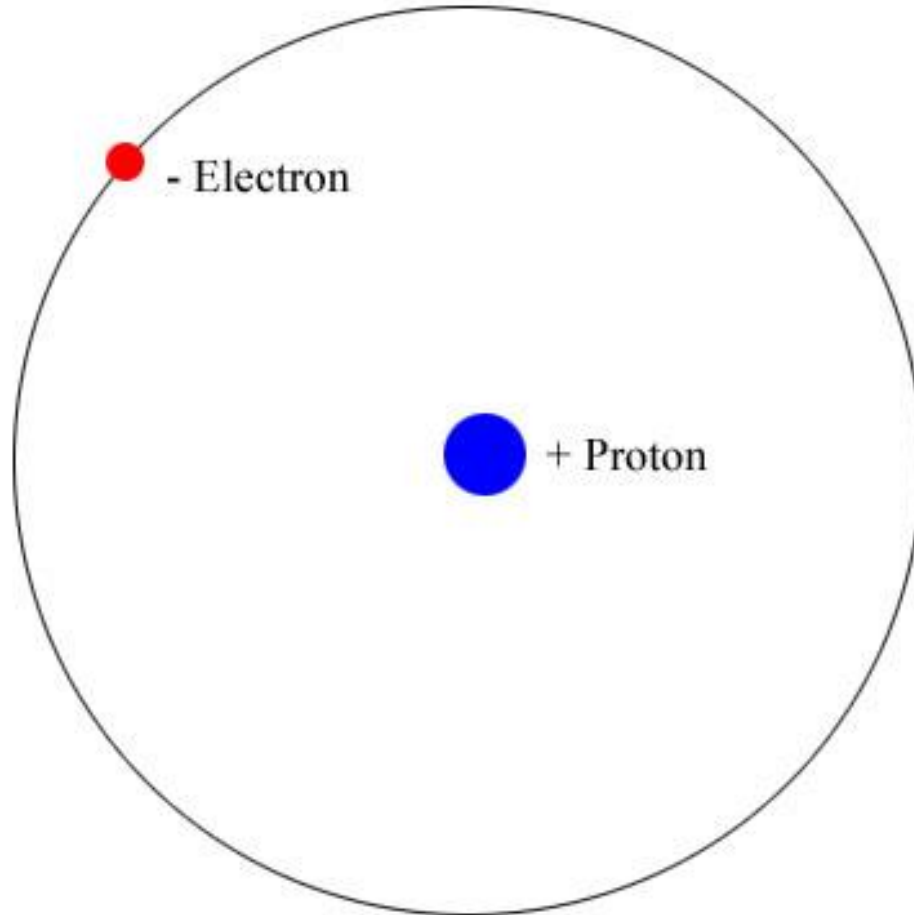
Classical electrodynamics \rightarrow accelerated charge \rightarrow emits radiation \rightarrow inspiral collapse in 10^{-8} s !



Double slit experiment with electrons de Broglie $\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$

Bohr model
of an atom

The hydrogen atom



The Bohr model of an atom

$$\alpha \frac{Ze^2}{r^2} = \frac{mv^2}{r},$$

here $\alpha = 8.98 \cdot 10^9 \text{ N}^2\text{m}^2\text{C}^{-2}$ (C - Coulomb - unit of the electric charge) is a constant related to the permittivity of empty space, Z - charge of the nucleus, e - unit of electric charge, m - mass of an electron.

Electrons can move only on orbits that satisfy quantum condition

$$J = mvr = n\hbar$$

where J - is angular momentum, n - natural number and $\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$. It is now easy to show that:

$$r_n = \frac{\hbar^2}{\alpha m Z e^2} n^2.$$

Energy of an electron moving on a circular orbit around a nucleus is:

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \alpha \frac{Ze^2}{r} = \frac{1}{2}\alpha \frac{Ze^2}{r} - \alpha \frac{Ze^2}{r} = -\frac{1}{2}\alpha \frac{Ze^2}{r}.$$

Notice that $E < 0$, electron is bound to the nucleus by the Coulomb forces.

Substituting $r = r_n$, we get

$$E_n = \frac{m(\alpha Ze^2)^2}{2\hbar^2} \frac{1}{n^2},$$

and

$$v_n = \frac{\alpha Ze^2}{\hbar} \frac{1}{n}.$$

It is time to make some calculations for the hydrogen atom but before let us introduce some more convenient units:

Energy spectrum of H atoms:

$$\Delta E = |E_n - E_m| = E_1 \left(\frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{hc}{\lambda_{nm}} = E_1 \left(\frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_{nm}} = \frac{E_1}{hc} \left(\frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{E_1}{hc} = \frac{\alpha^2 e^4 m_e}{2\hbar^2 hc} = R \quad \text{Rydberg constant}$$

$$R = 1.097 \cdot 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1} = 1.097 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ \AA}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{1}{R} = 912 \text{ \AA}$$

Now let us calculate $E(1)$

$$E(1) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha e^2}{r_1} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha e^2}{\left(\frac{\hbar^2}{m_e \alpha e^2}\right)} = -\frac{\alpha^2 e^4 m_e}{2 \hbar^2} = -2.17 \times 10^{-18} \text{J} = -13.6 \text{eV}$$

$$E(2) = \frac{1}{2^2} E(1) = -\frac{1}{4} 13.6 = -3.4 \text{eV}$$

Units

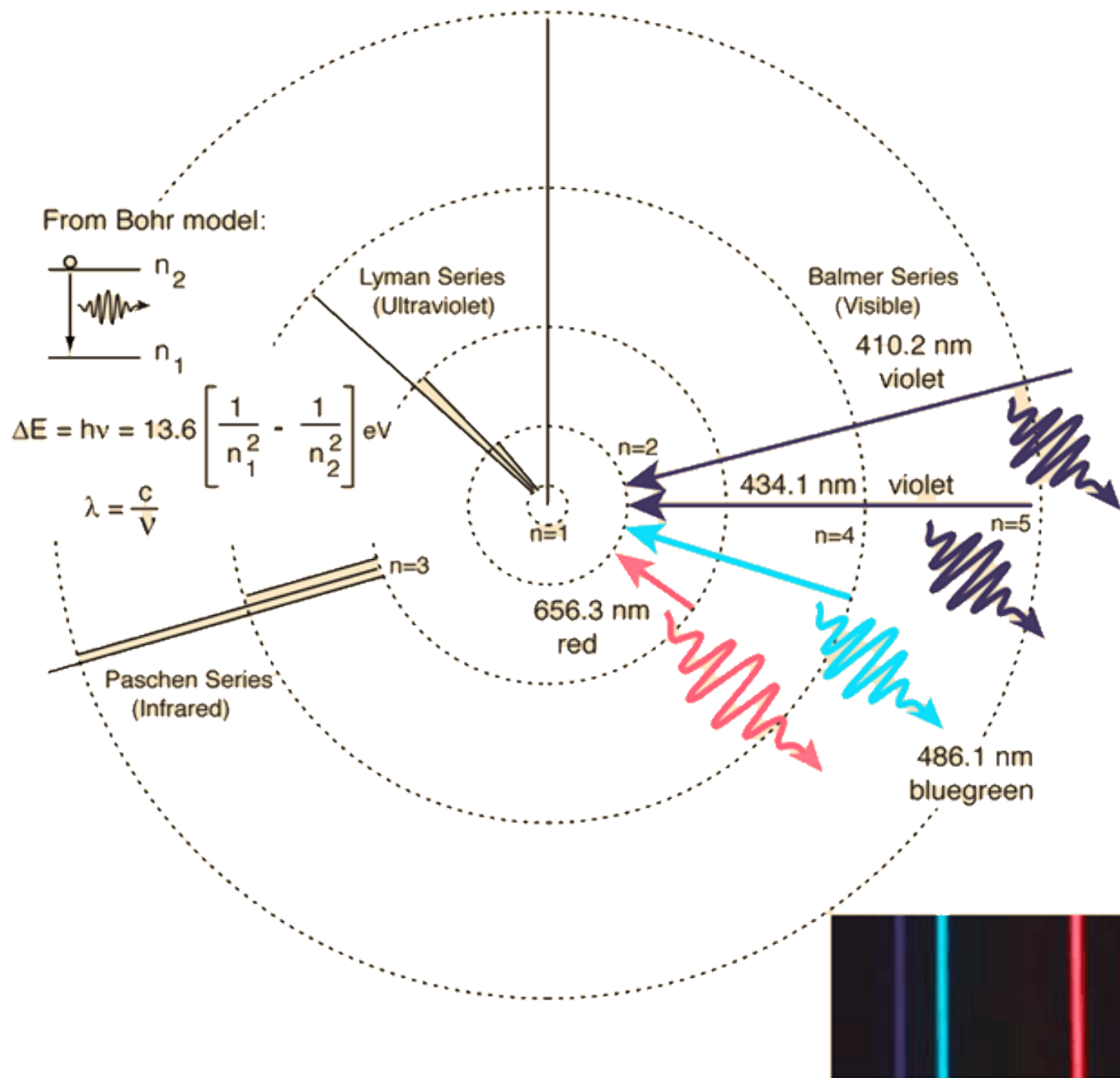
Angstrom (\AA) = 10^{-8} cm or 10^{-10} m = 0.1 nm

Nanometer = 10^{-9} m

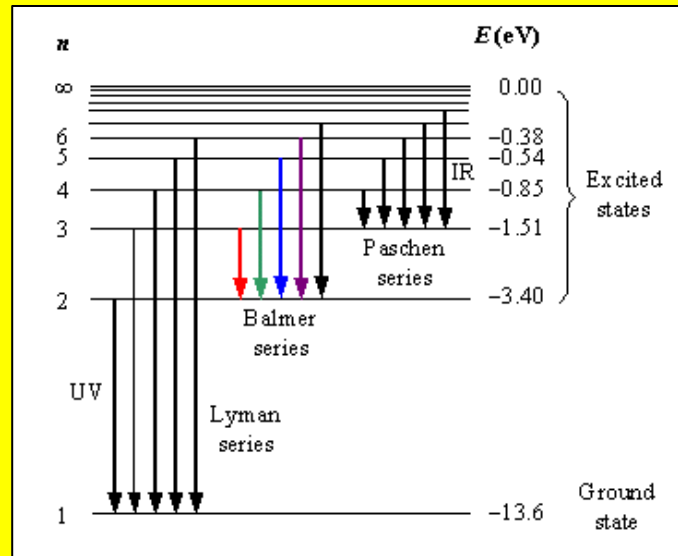
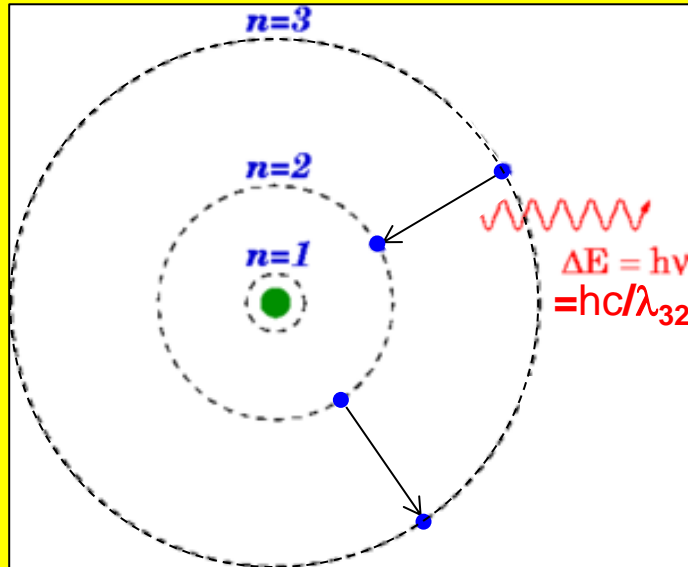
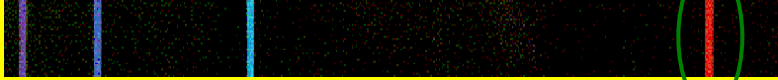
Picometer = 10^{-12} m

Femtometer = 10^{-15} m

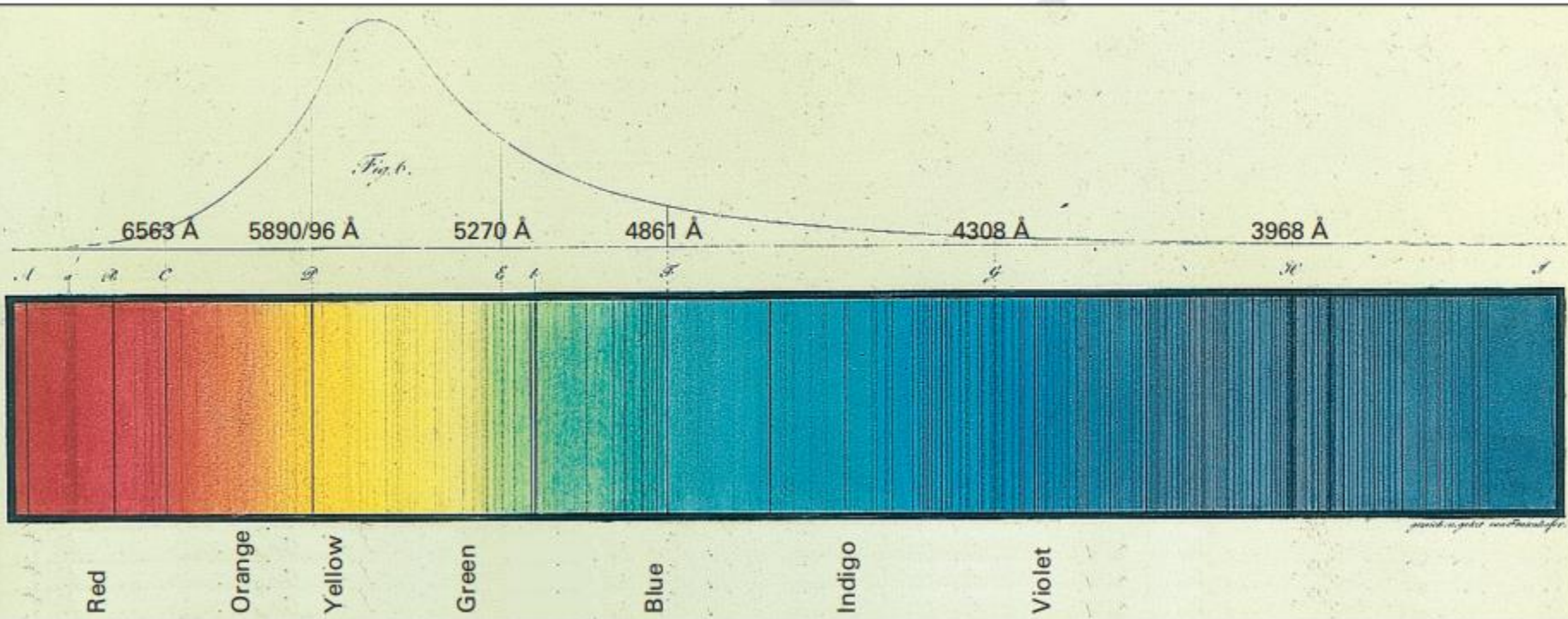
1eV = $1.6 \cdot 10^{-19}$ J

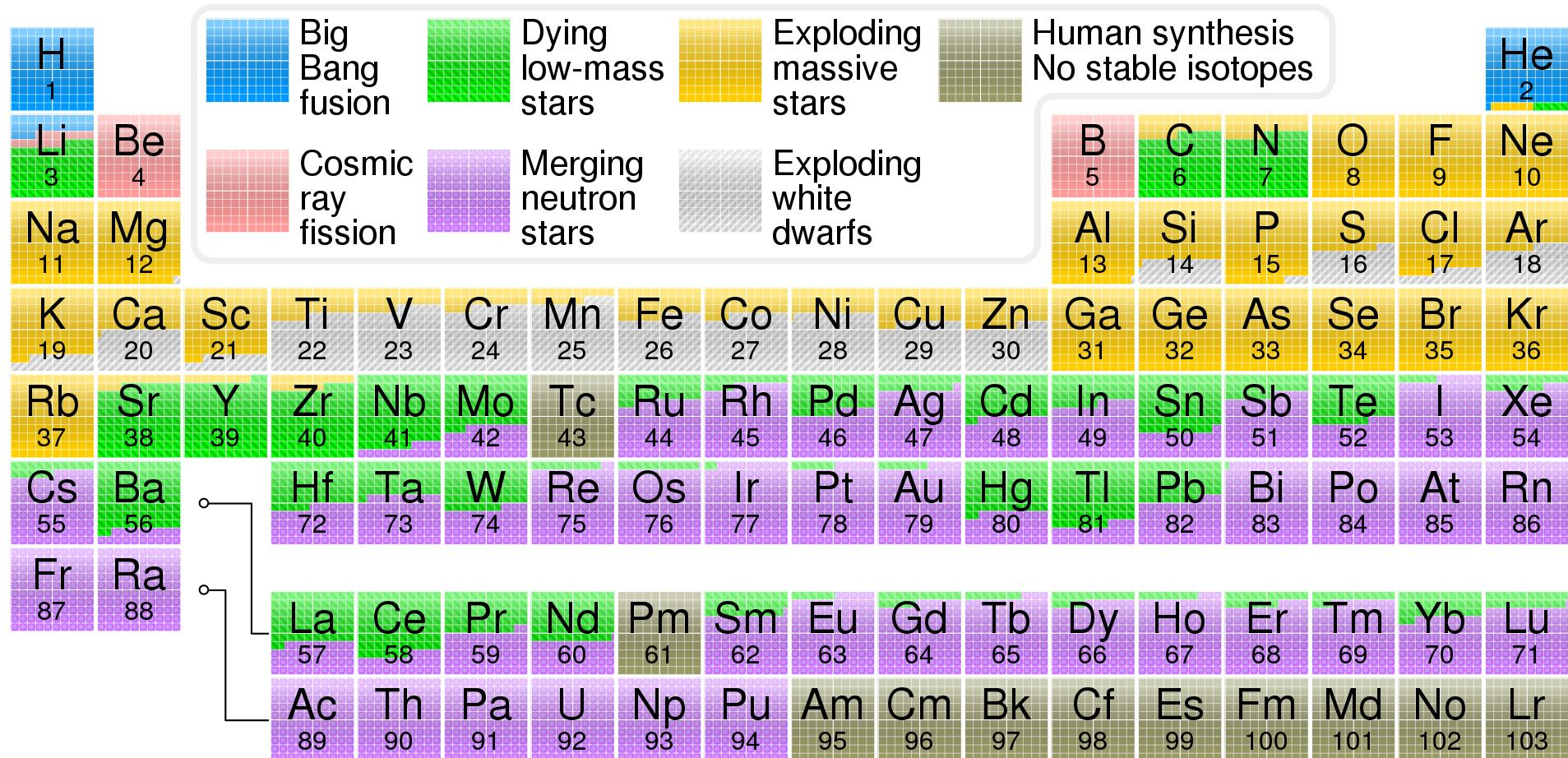


Every atom (and ion) has a distinctive fingerprint...



Fraunhofer spectral lines Spectrum of the Sun (1814)





Chemical composition of the Sun

Element	% of total atoms	% of total mass
Hydrogen	91.2	71.0
Helium	8.7	27.1
Oxygen	0.078	0.97
Carbon	0.043	0.40
Nitrogen	0.0088	0.096
Silicon	0.0045	0.099
Magnesium	0.0038	0.076
<u>Neon</u>	0.0035	0.058
Iron	0.030	0.014
Sulfur	0.015	0.040