

Chapter 2 Electron Optics/ Operation Modes

Electron gun

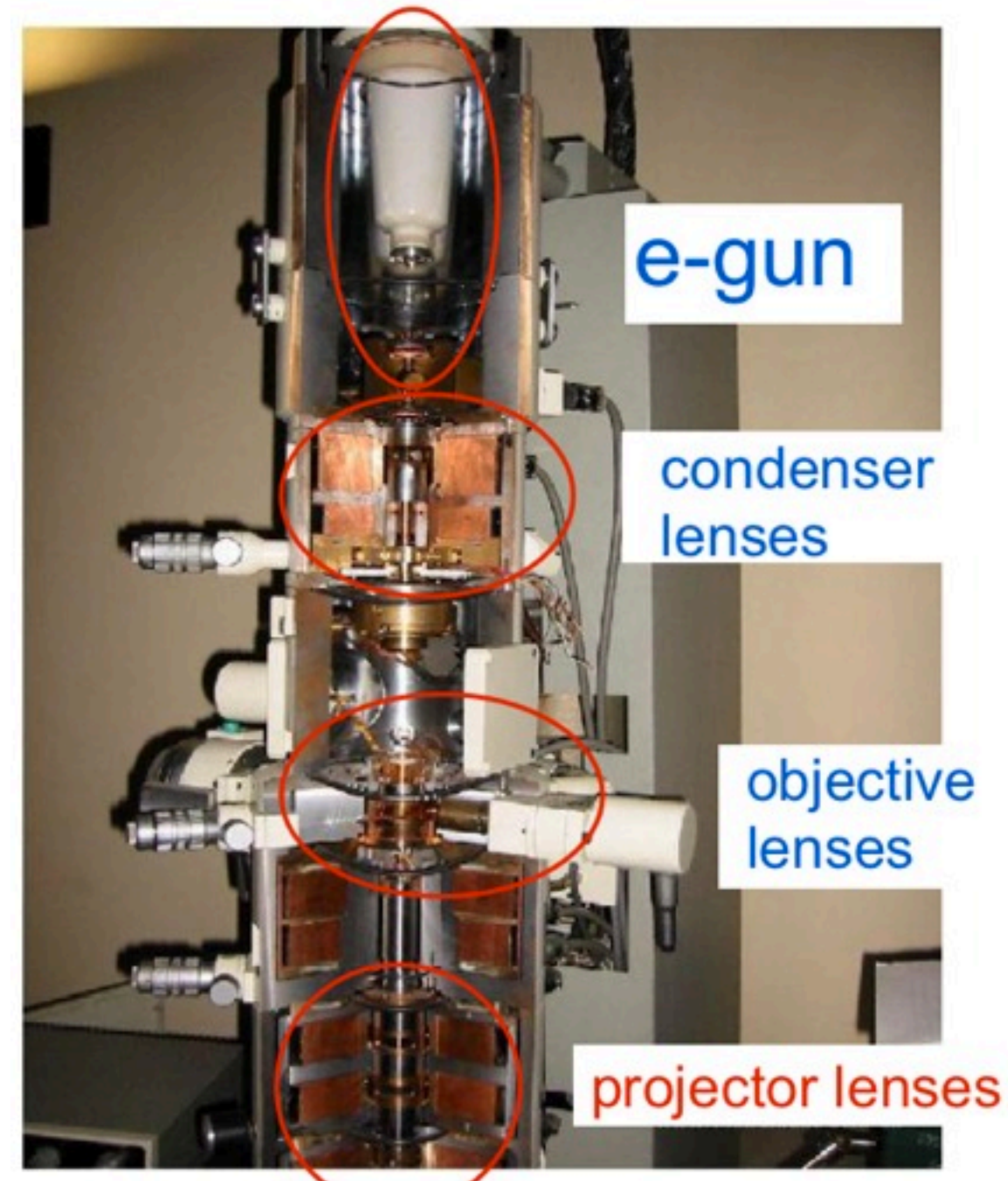
- thermionic source
- Field emission source
- Brightness of source
- Coherence of source

Magnetic lenes

- Spherical aberration
- Chromatic aberration
- Astigmatism

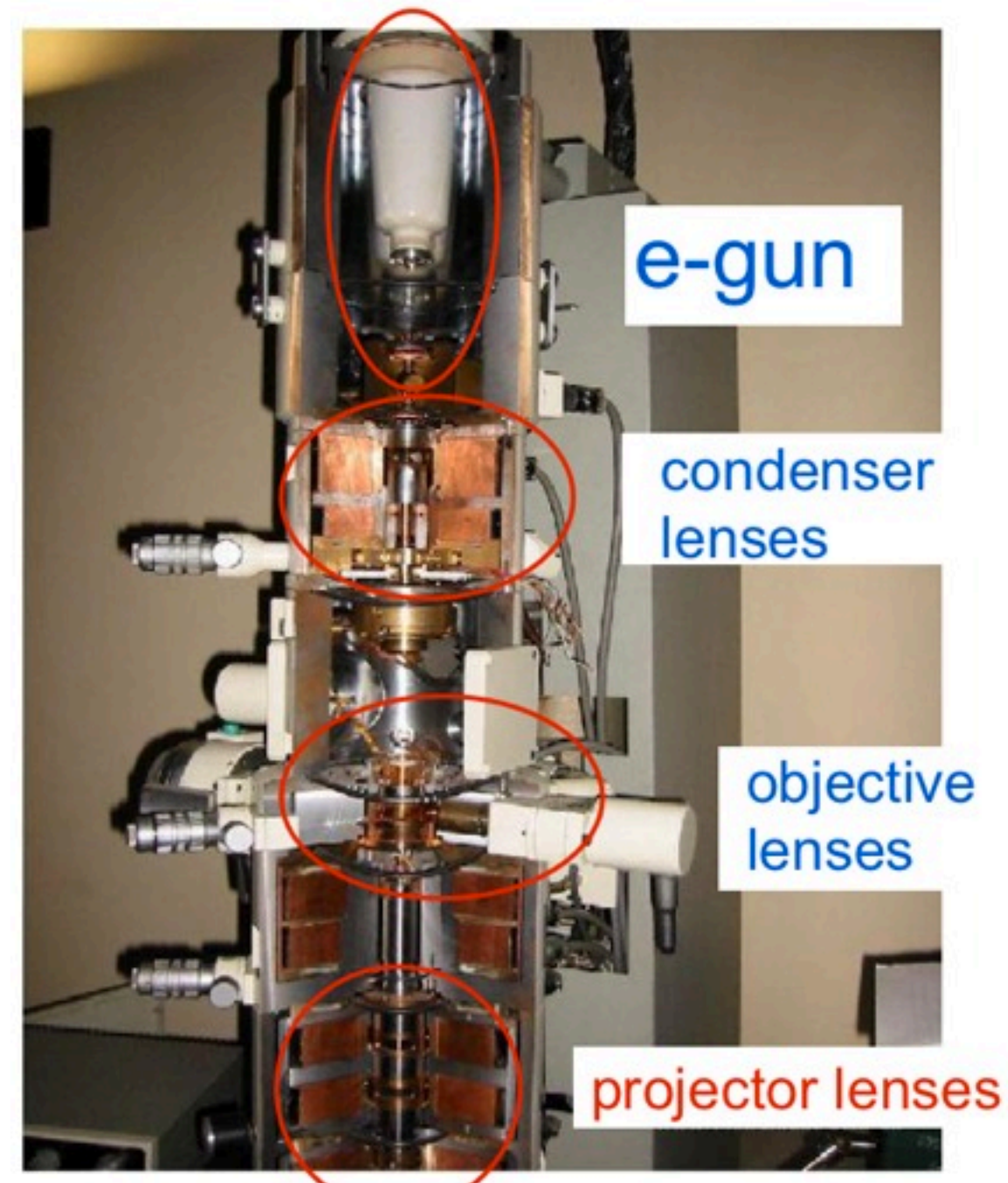
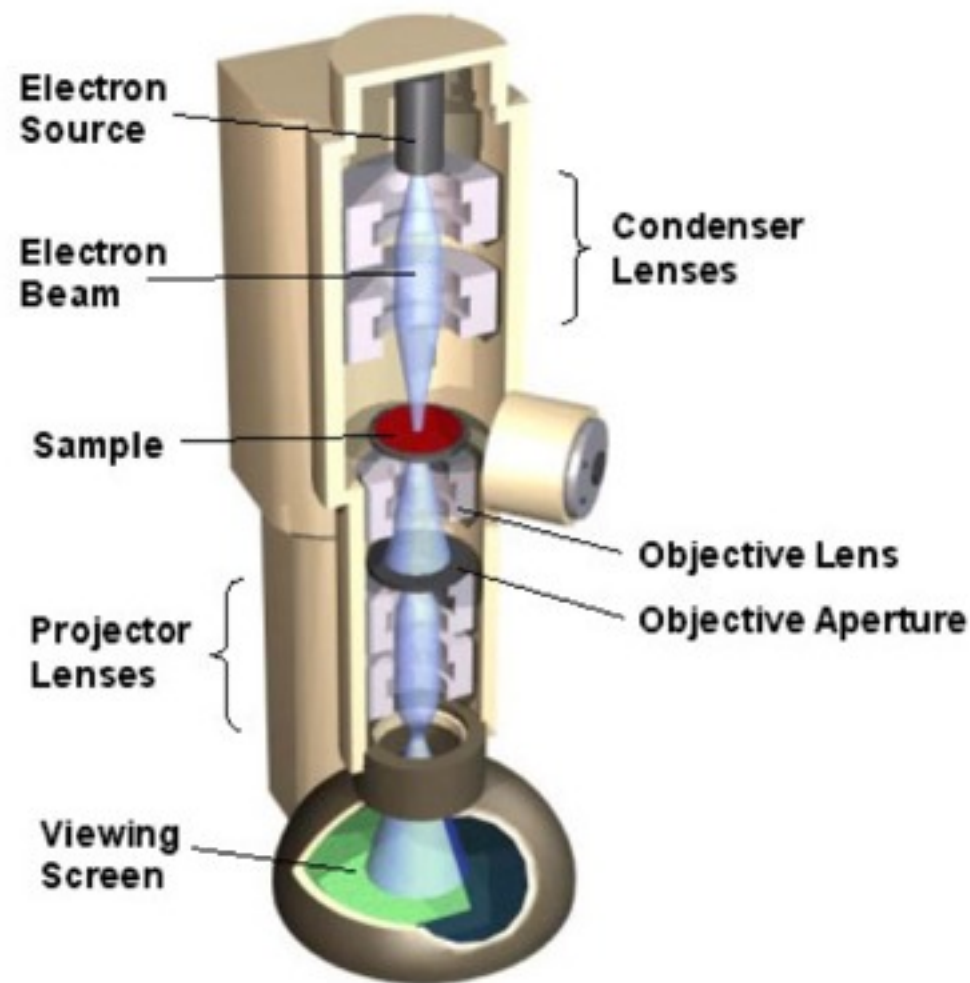
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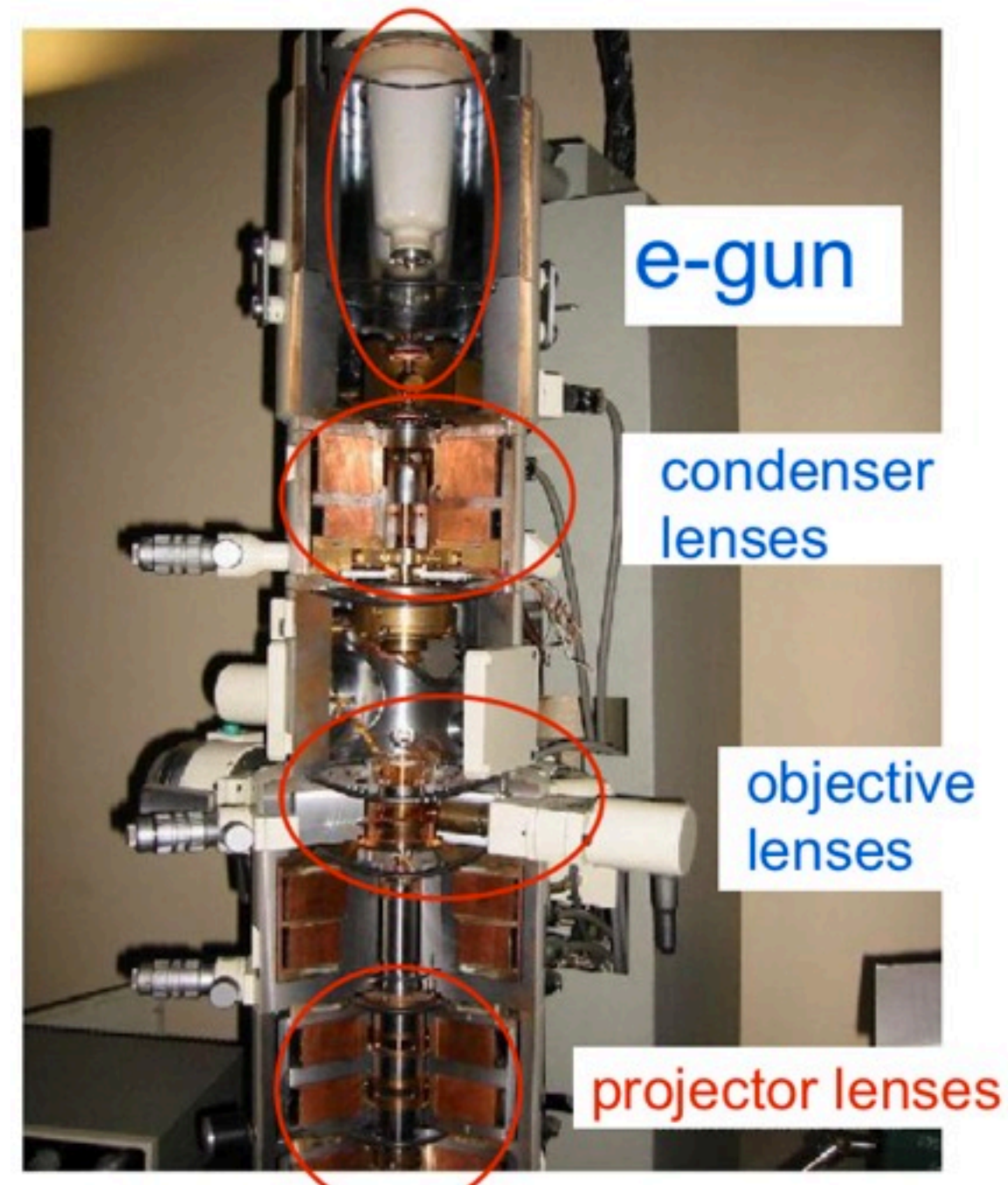
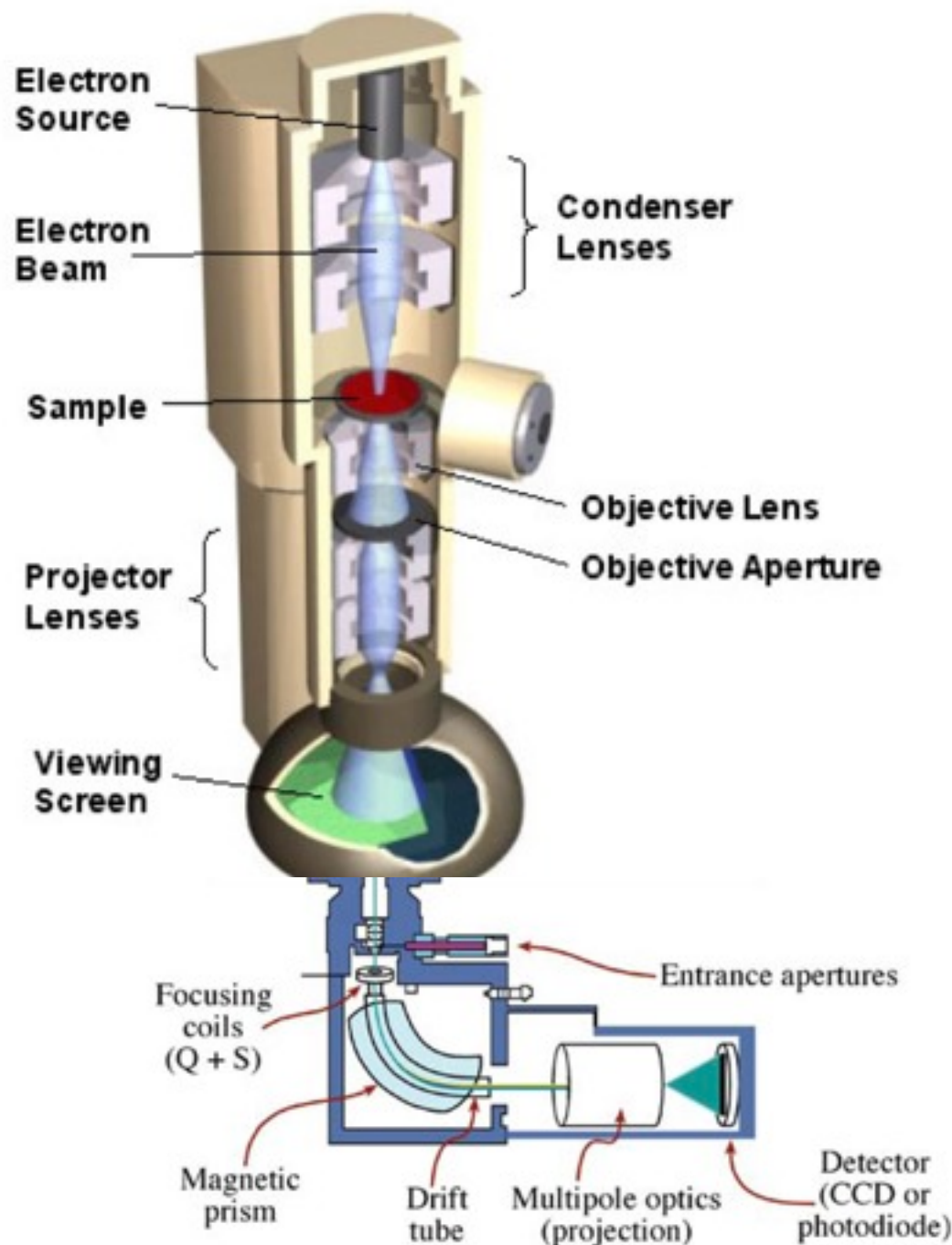
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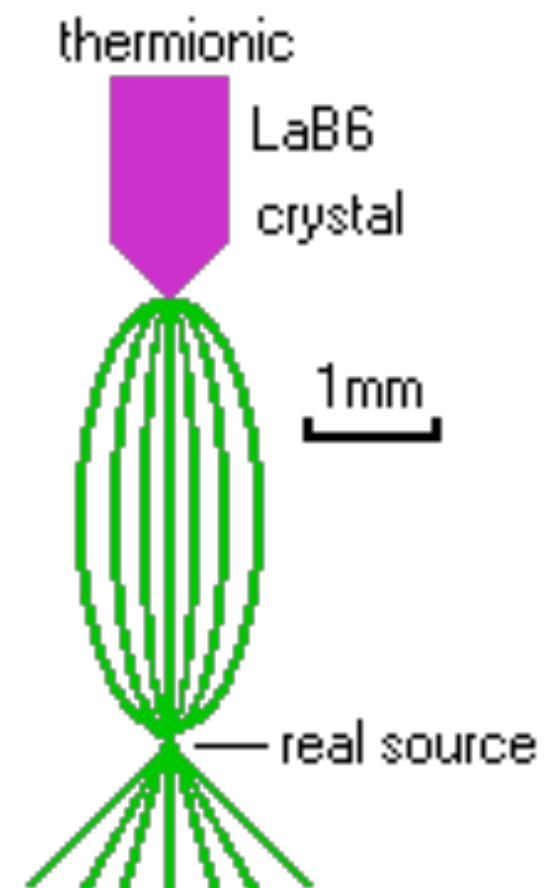
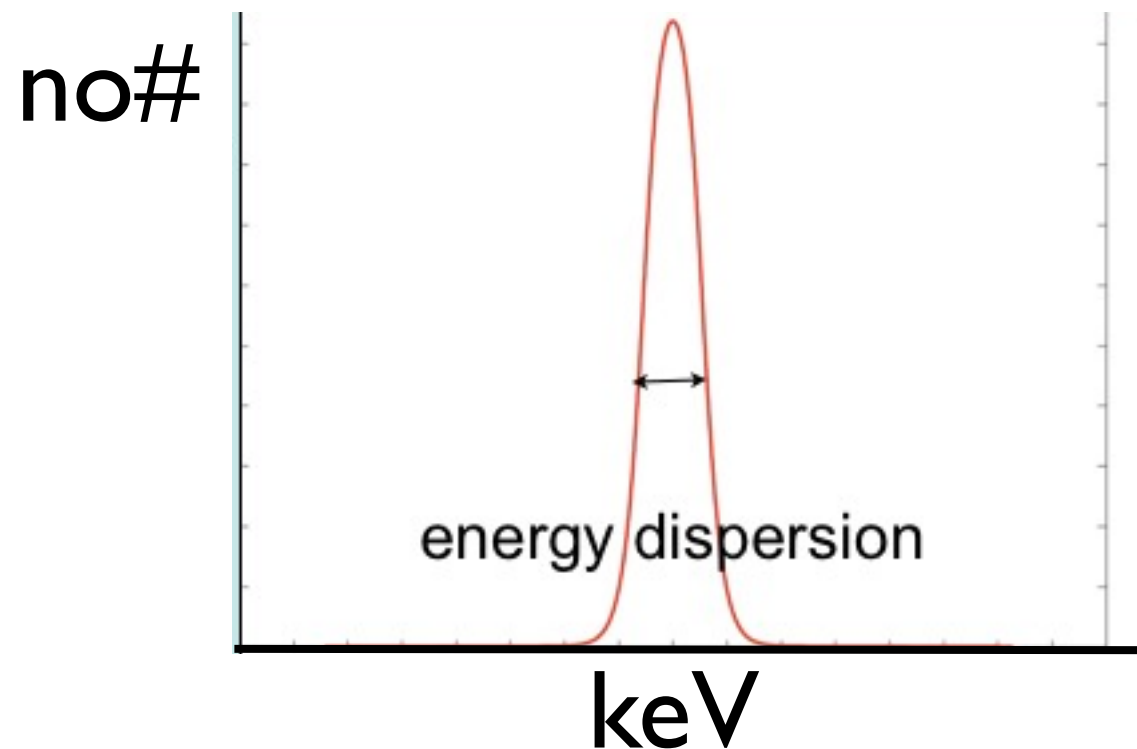
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2.1 Electron Source

- thermionic source
- field-emission source

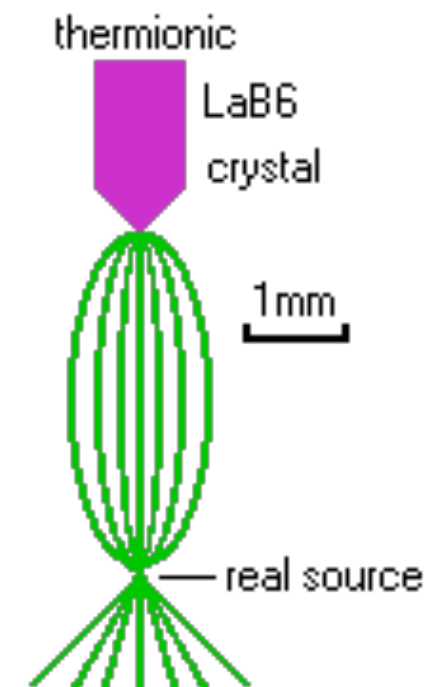
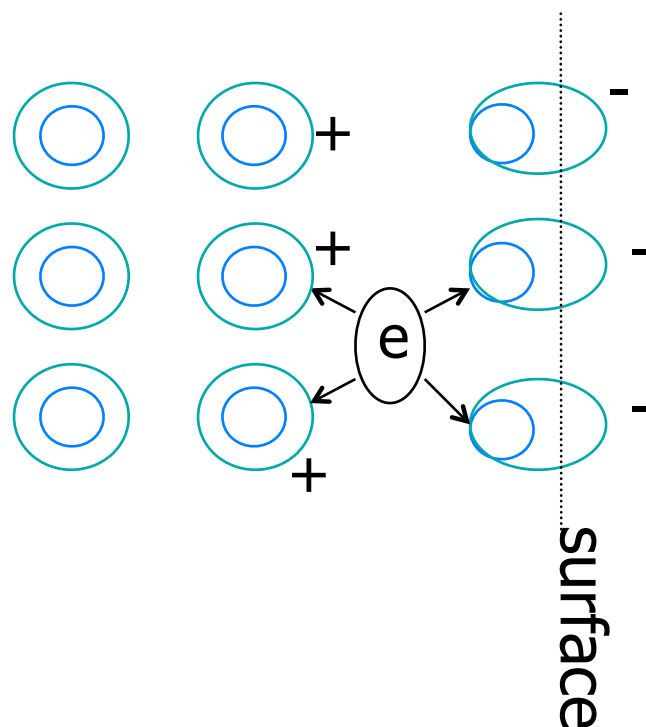


A. Thermionic Source

- Work function: energy barrier required for an electron to escape from the metal surface

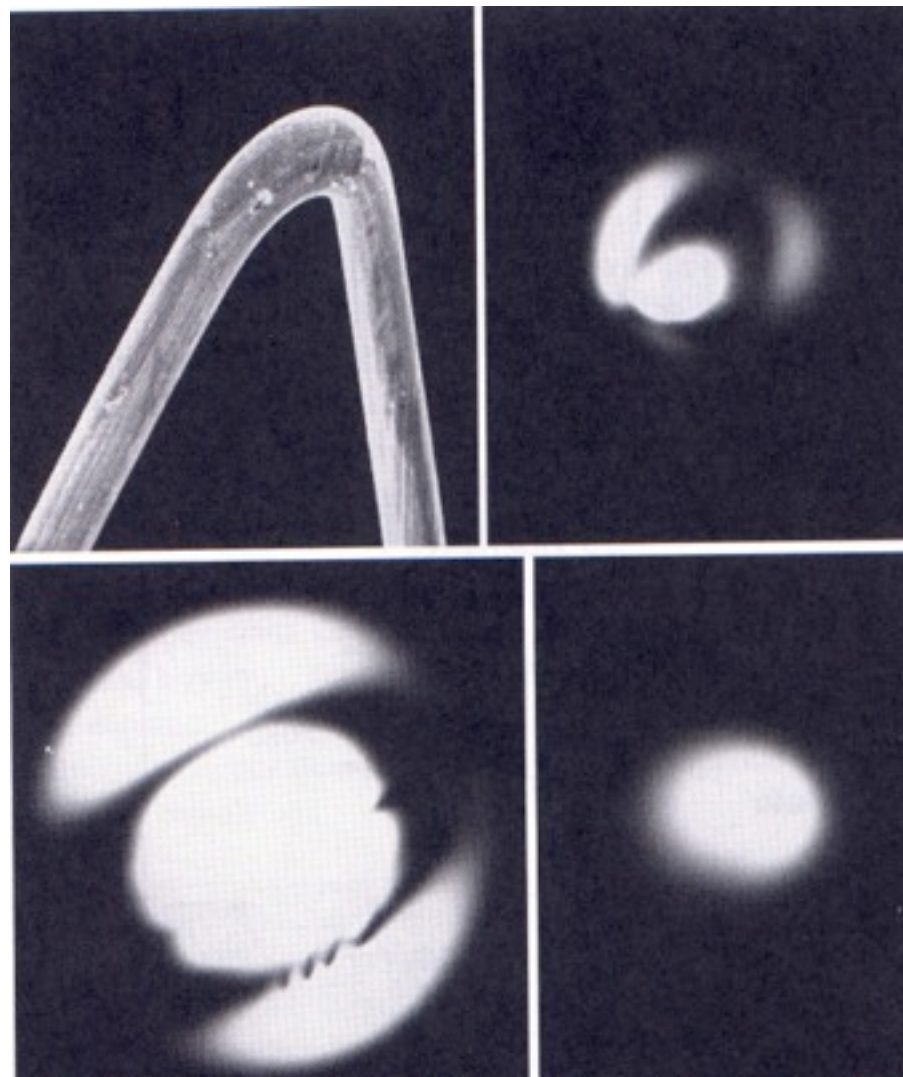
① Polarization effect

② Image effect)

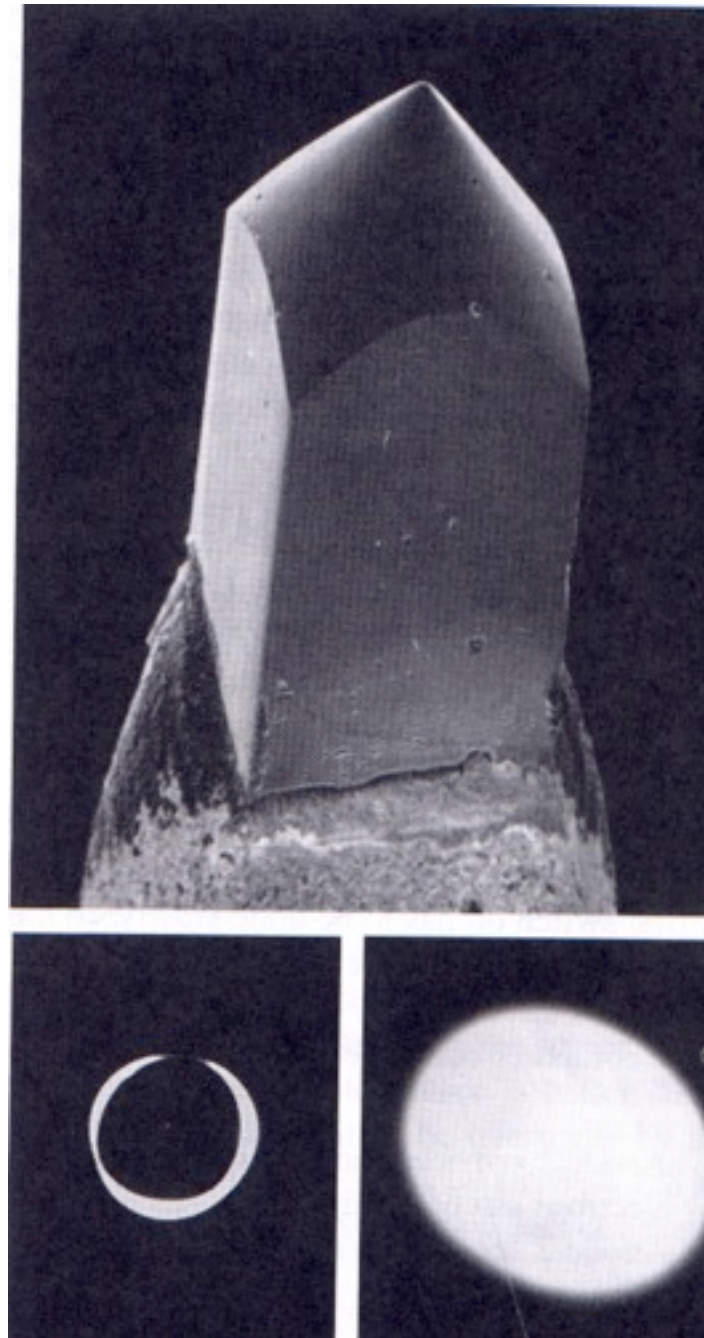


To extract electrons from the "tip", work is needed.

Thermionic tip



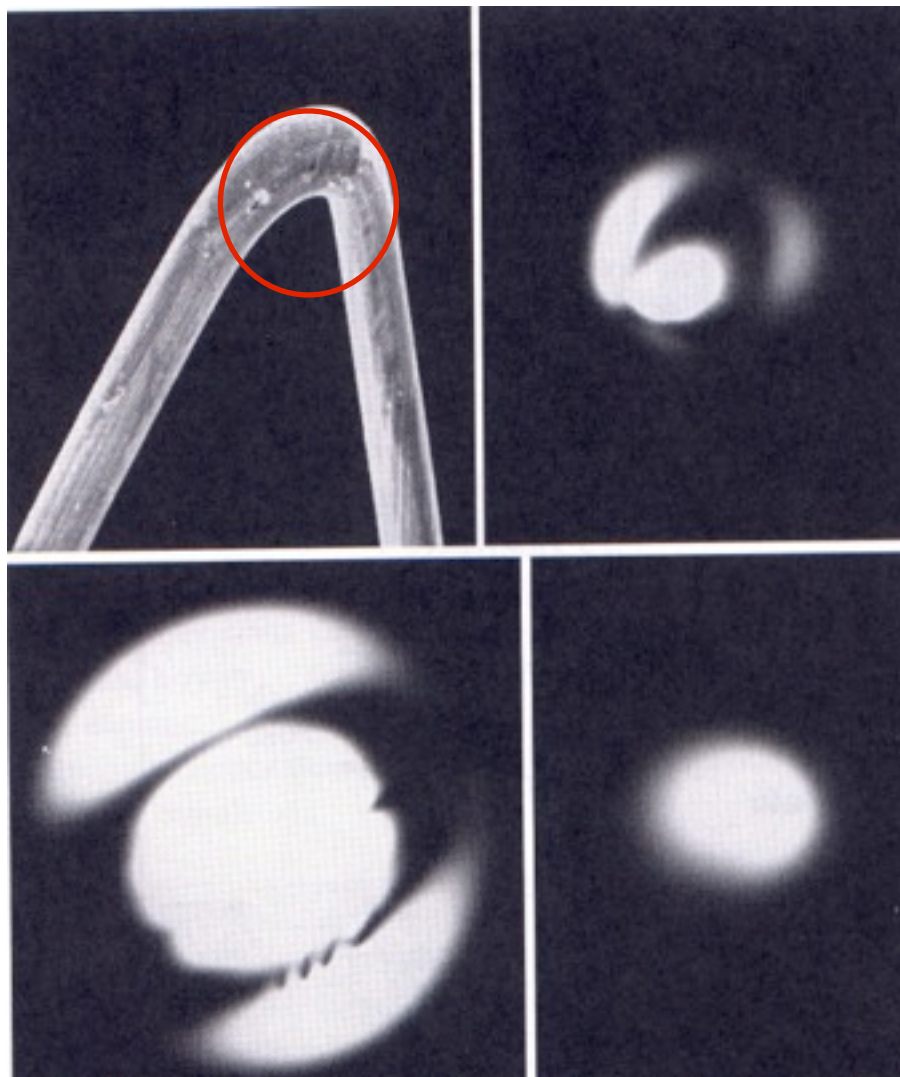
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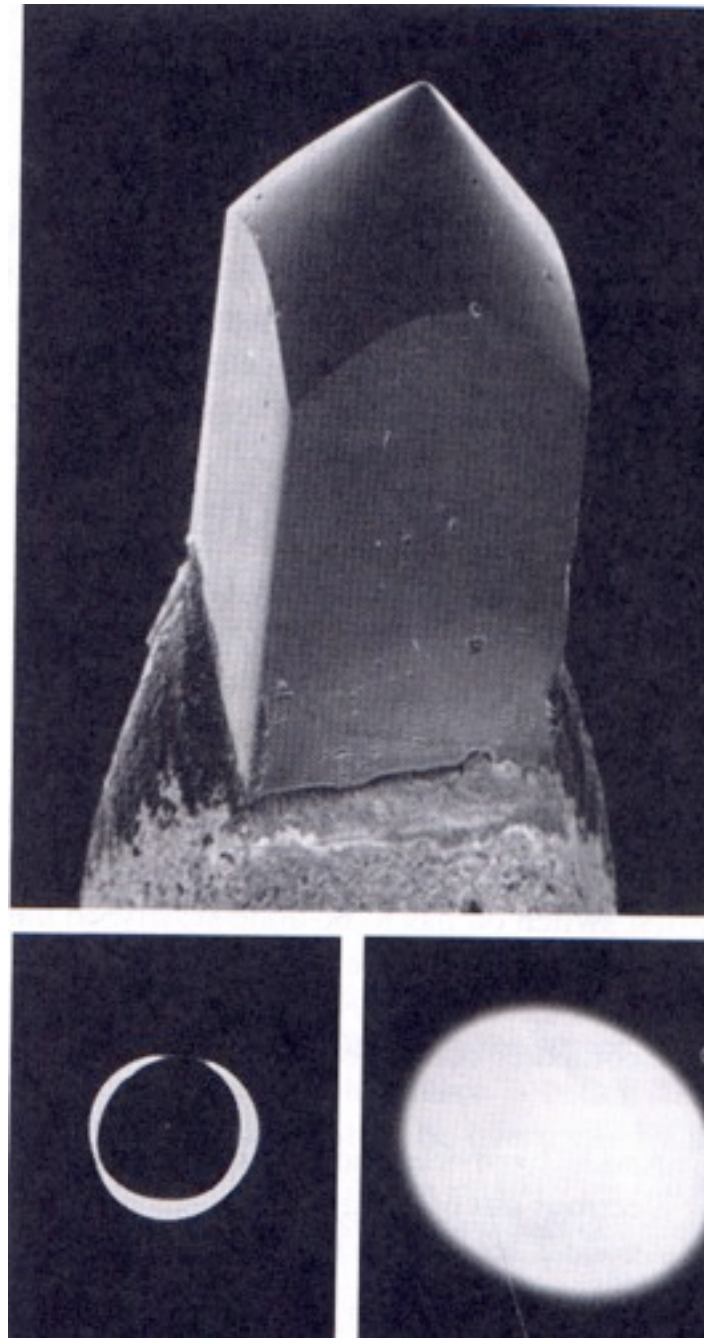
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Thermionic tip

50 μ m



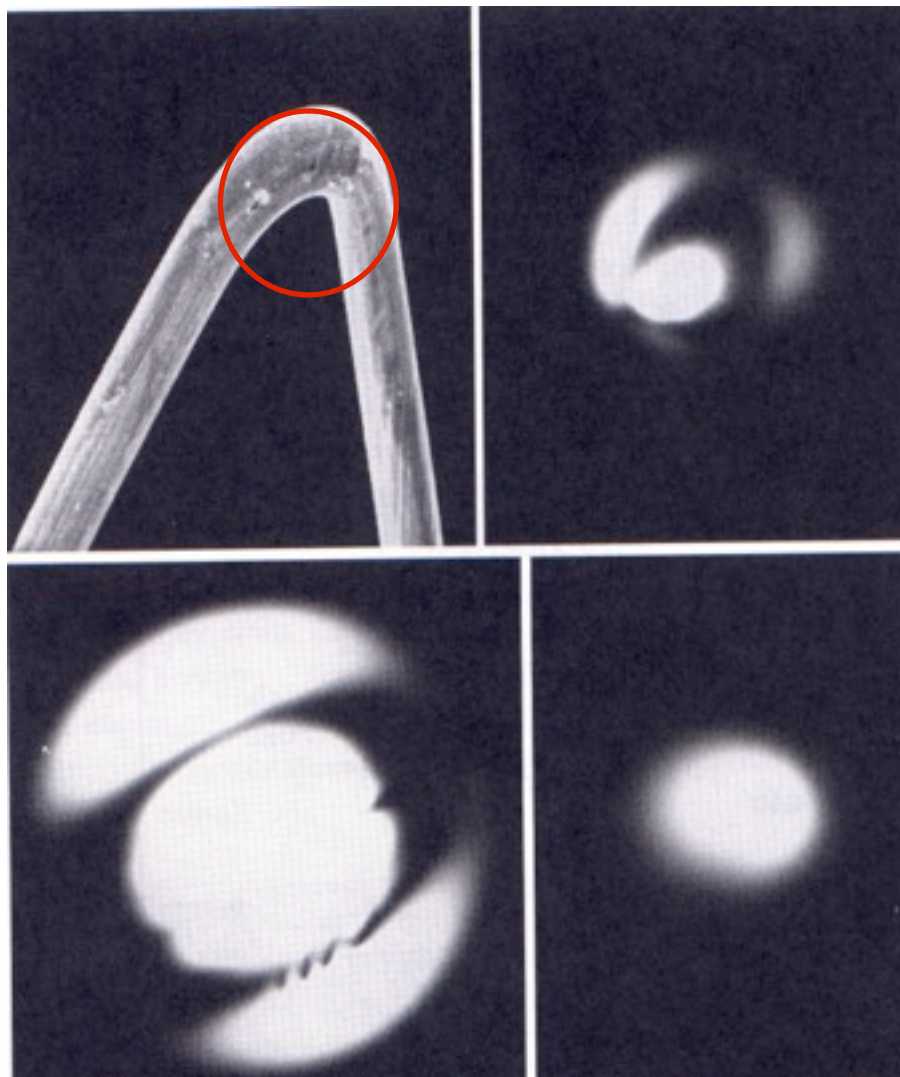
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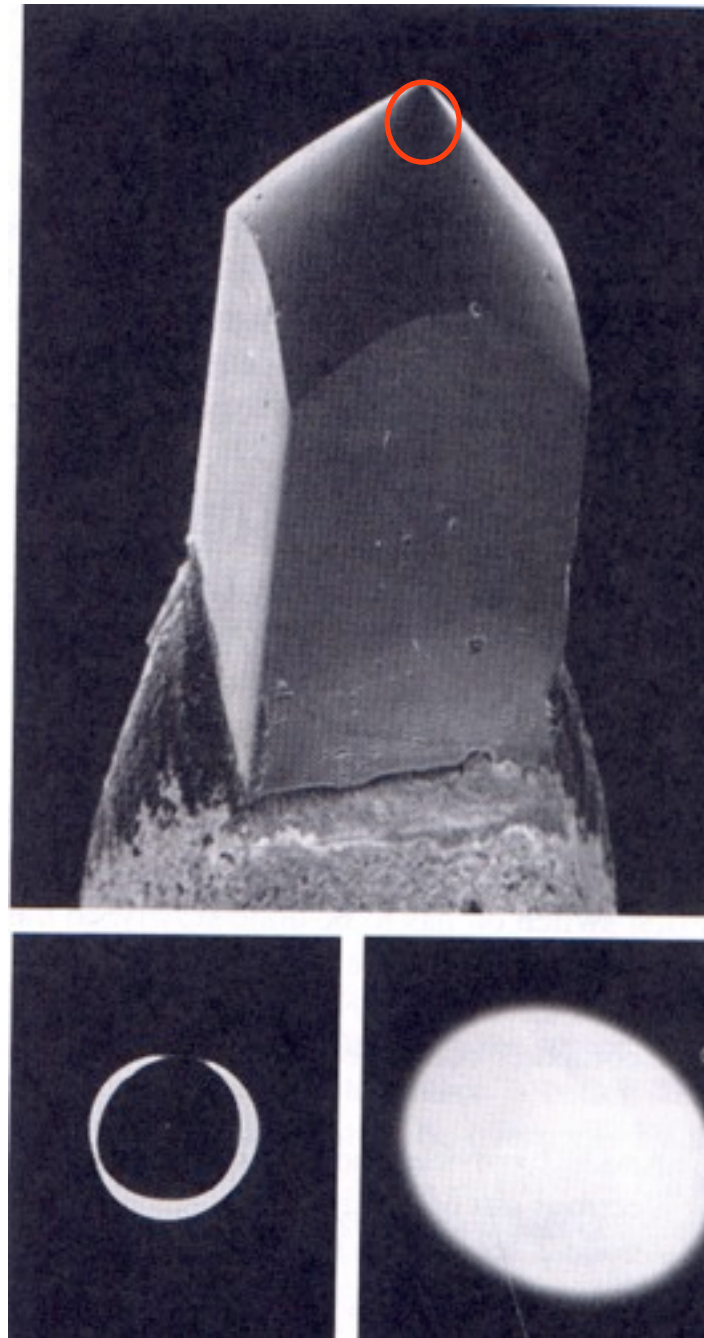
Thermionic tip

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W

10 μ m

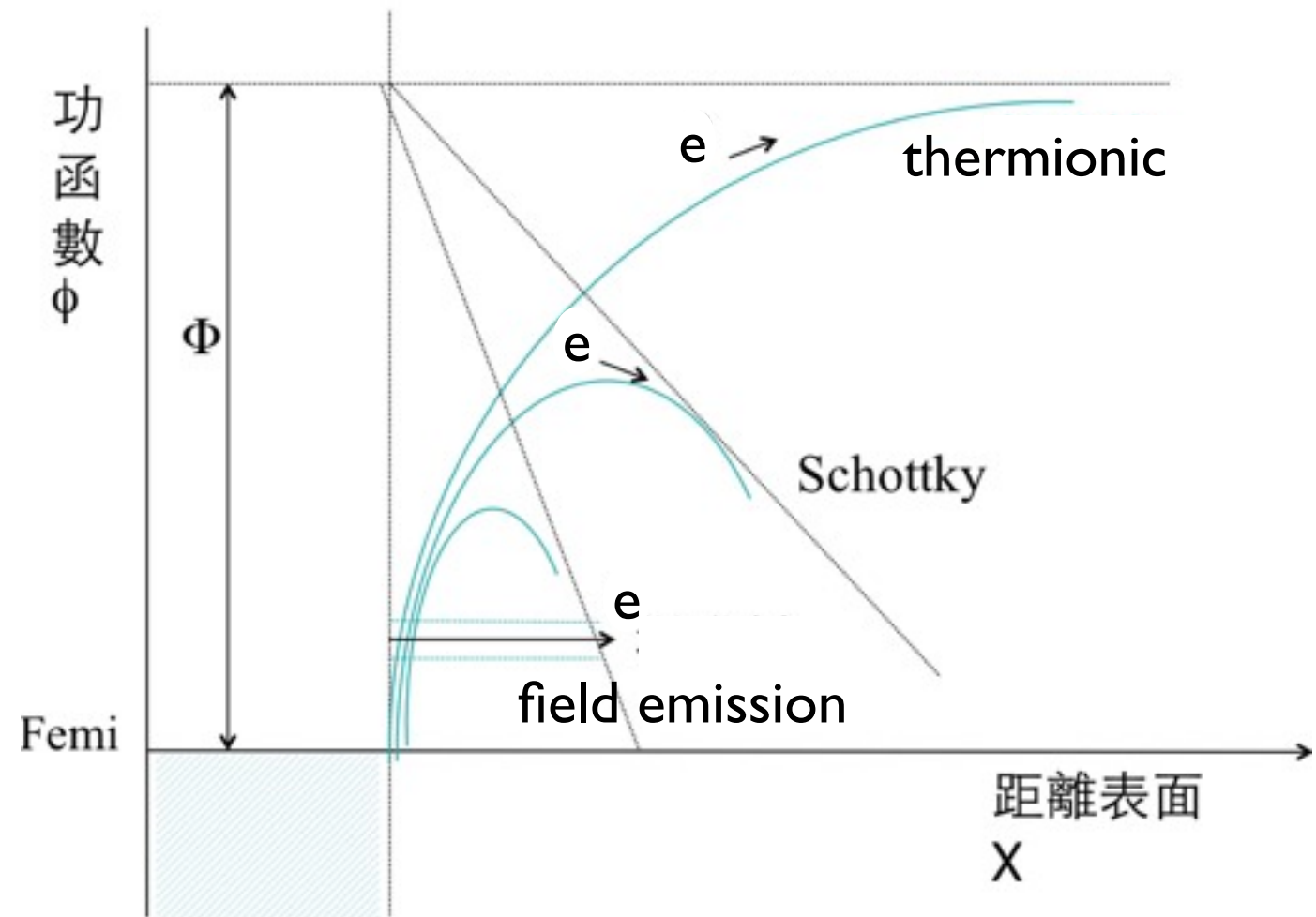


LaB₆

Richardson's Law

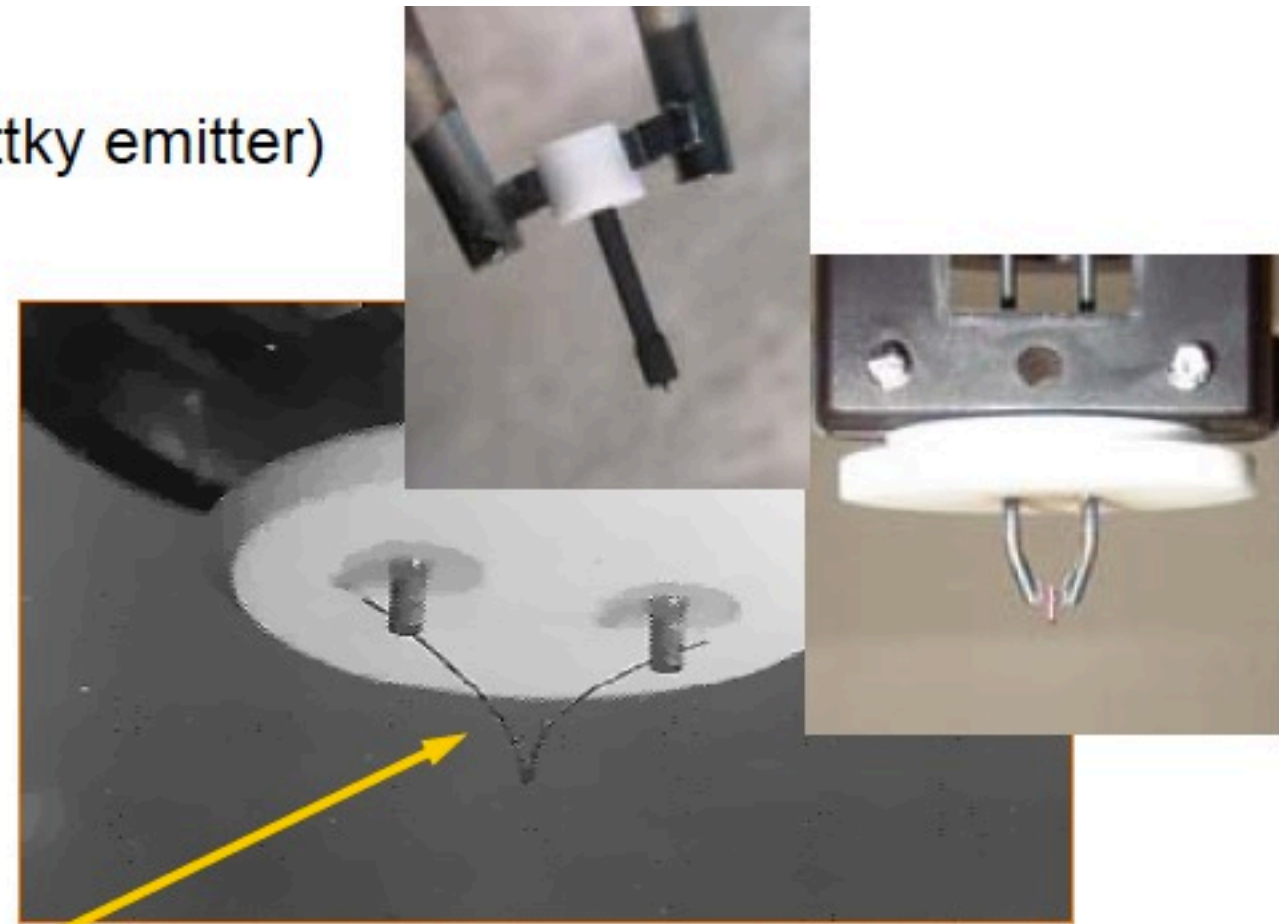
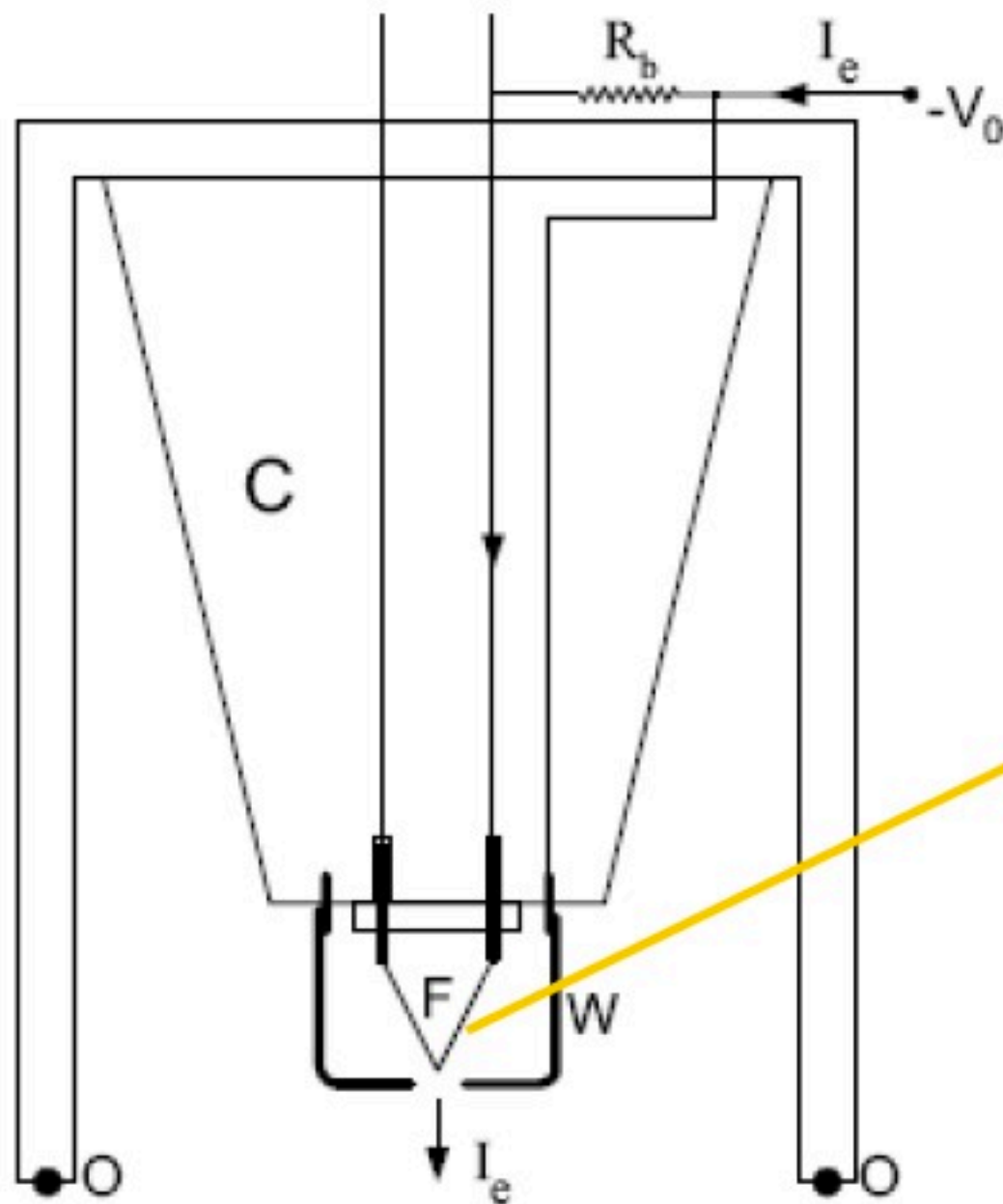
$$J = AT^2 e^{-\frac{\phi}{KT}}$$

- J : current density (Amp/cm²)
- A : Richardson's constant (A/cm² * k²) :
- T : operating temperature (°k)
- Requirement for a filament
 1. low work function
 2. high melting temperature
 3. stable at high T



Electron Source

Thermionic emission (tungsten, LaB6, Schottky emitter)



Filament is heated

Electrons are emitted from the tip

F...Filament

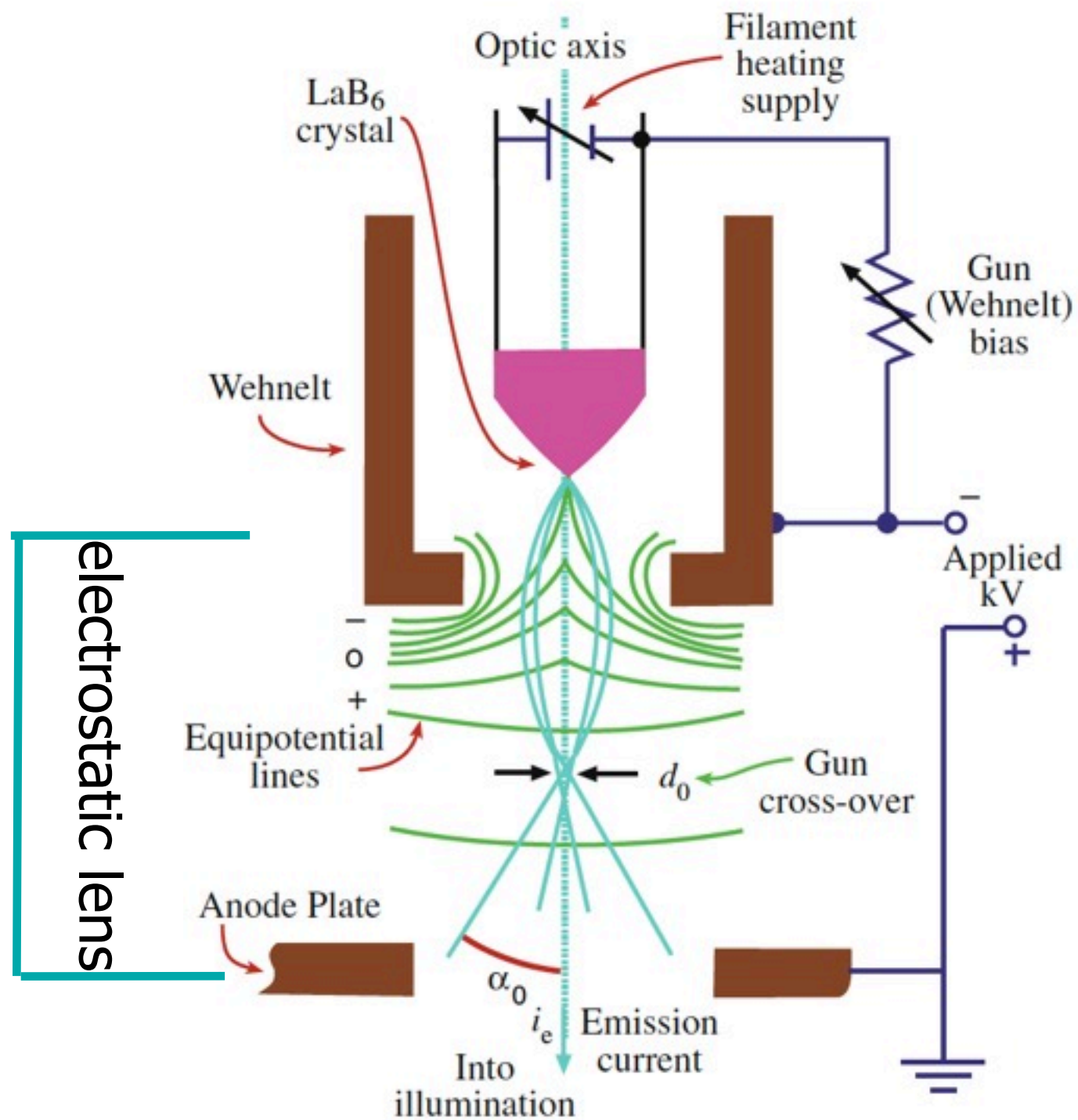
W...Wehnelt electrode

C...Ceramic high voltage insulator

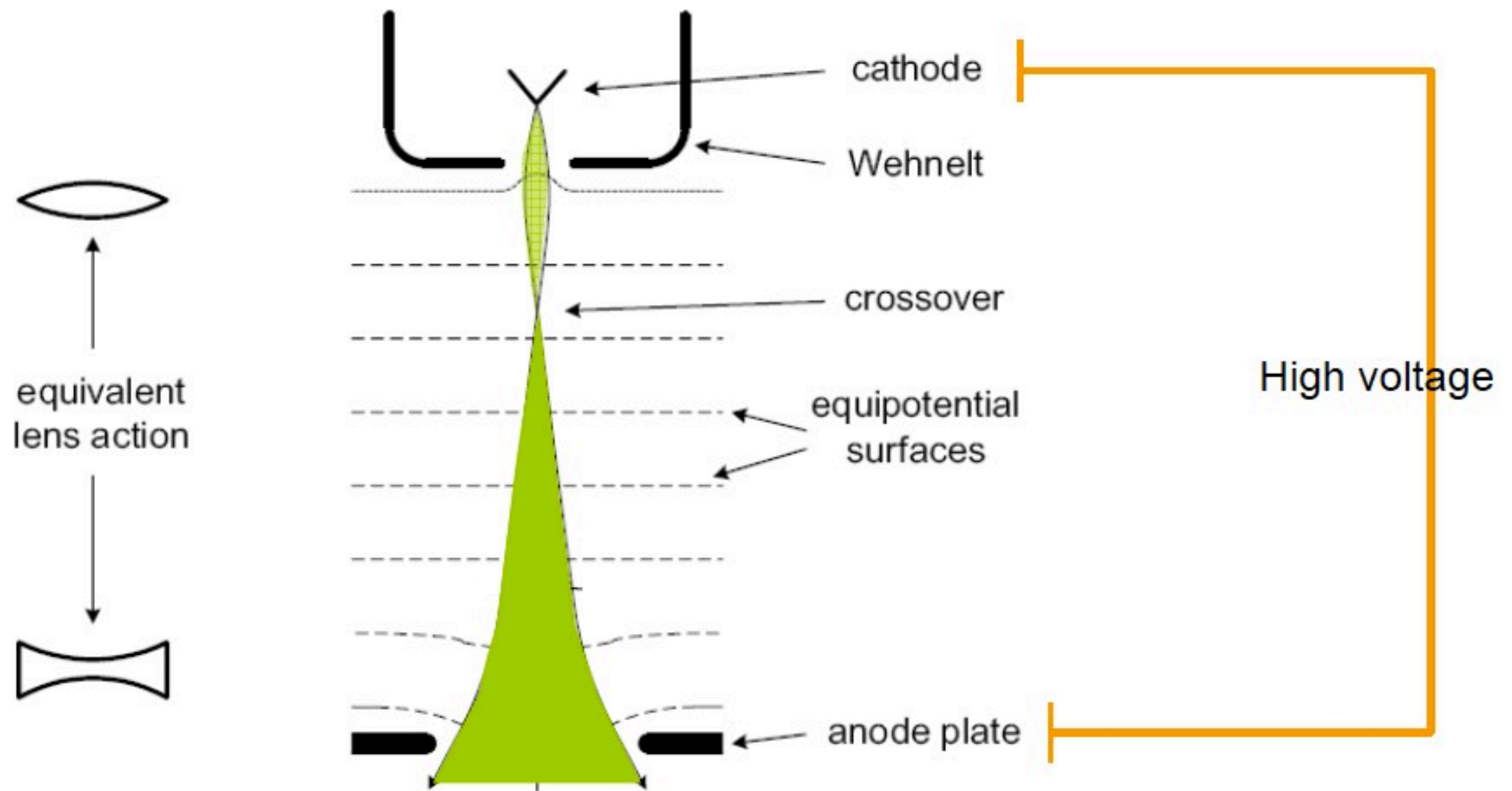
R_b ...Autobias resistor

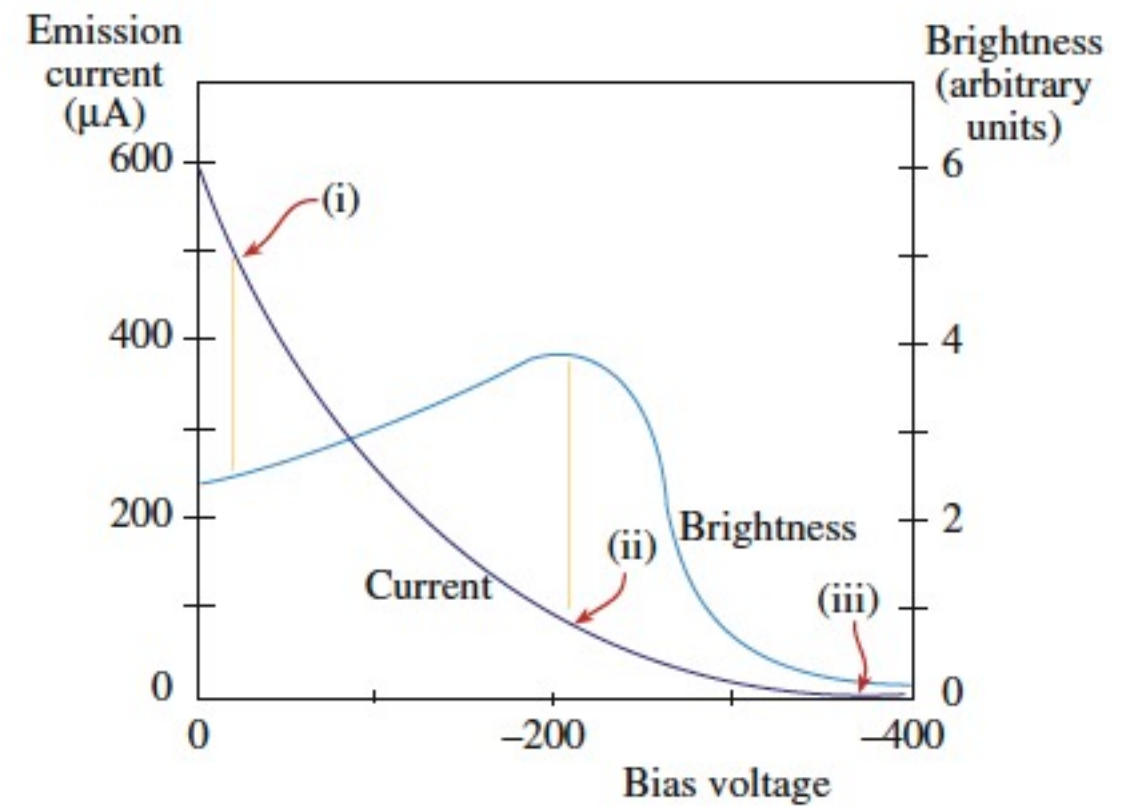
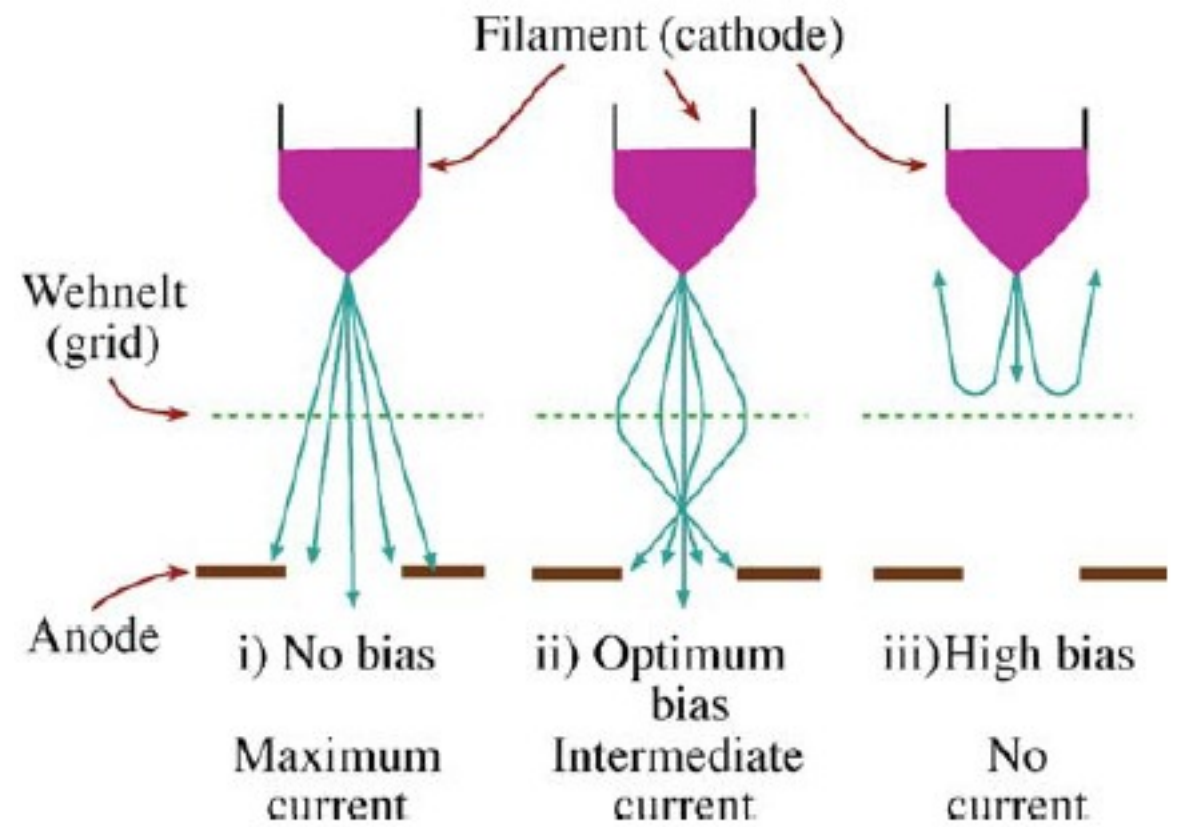
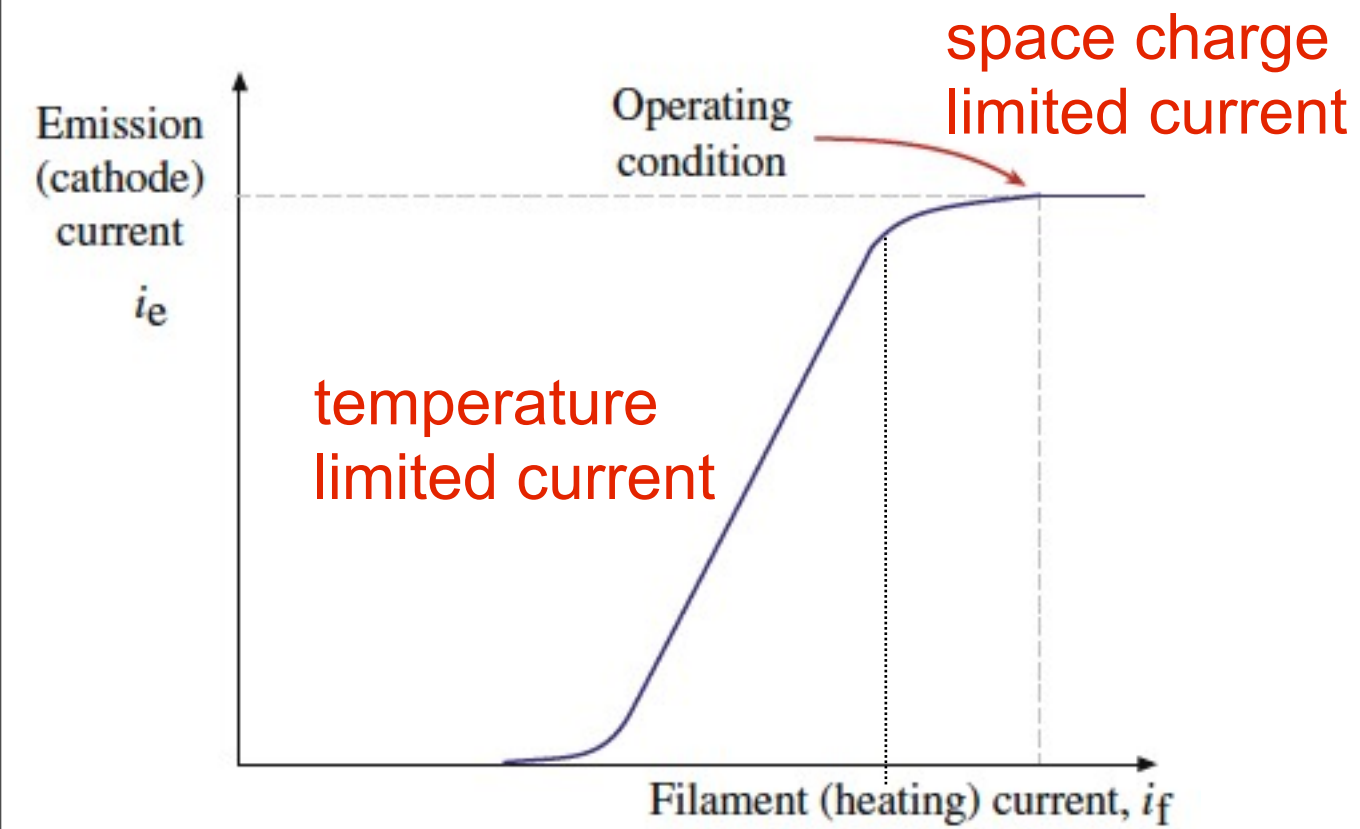
I_e ...Electron emission current

Thermionic gun

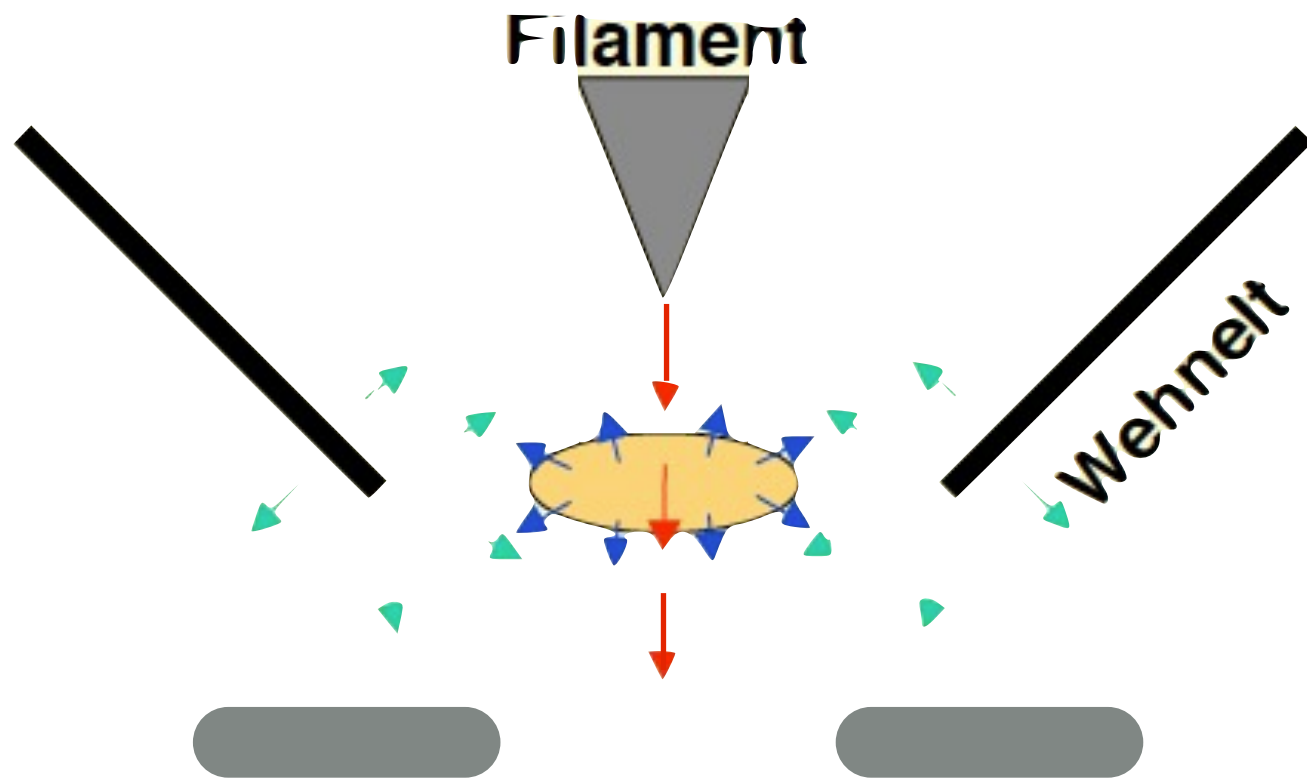


Electron source (Electron gun)

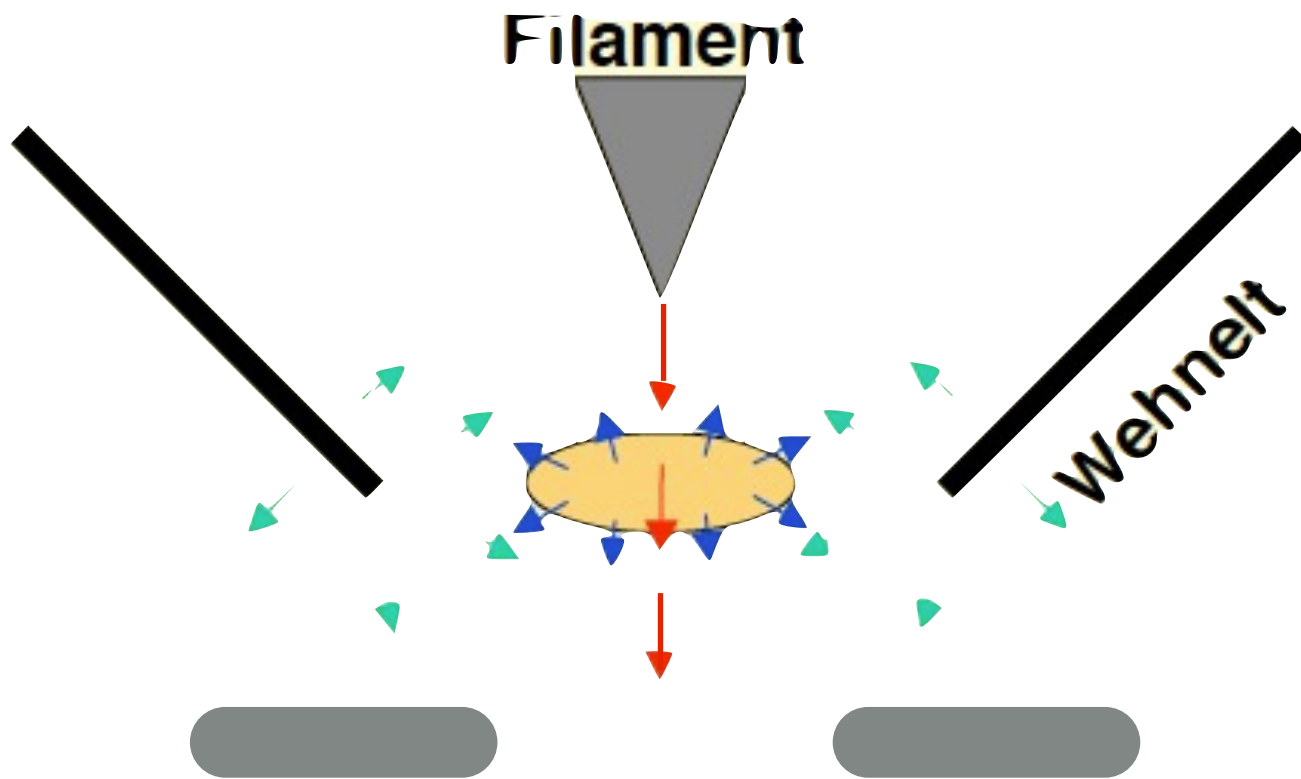




Space Charge/ Boersch Effect



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Longitudinal Space Charge

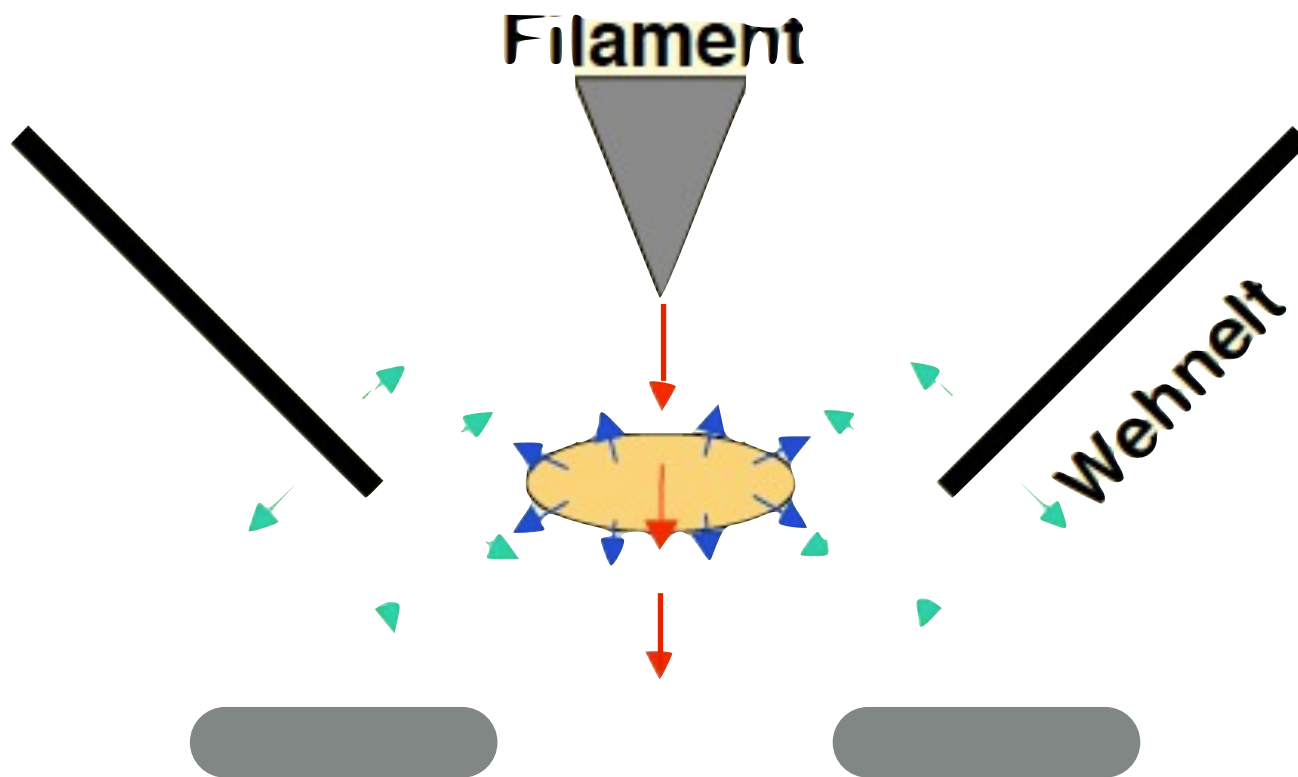
A diagram showing a 'Cathode' at the top and two 'Anode' blocks at the bottom. A vertical black arrow labeled 'p' points from the cathode to the anodes. To the right, a blue dashed arrow labeled 'qE' points downwards, representing the retarding electric field.

Child's Law:

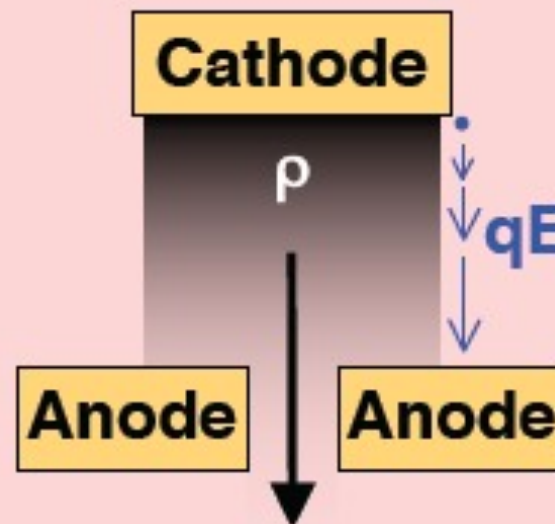
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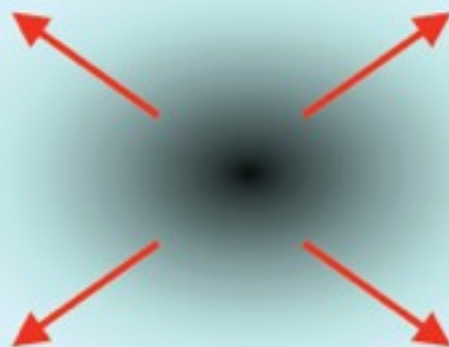
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Homogeneous Effects

"Space charge"

Continuum model

ρ , $\vec{v}$, and $\vec{E}$ are continuous functions of space and time

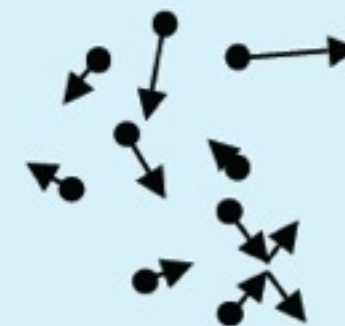


Inhomogeneous Effects

Includes Boersch effect

Discrete, stochastic model

Localized, random individual charges and statistical collisions













B. Field Emission Gun

$$E=V/r$$

r : radius of curvature of tip ◦

V : applied voltage

E : electric field

- Generally, $r < 0.1\mu\text{m}(1000\text{\AA})$, $V = kv(1000\text{ev}) \rightarrow E = 10^6 \text{ V/m}$
strong electric field makes electron tunneling

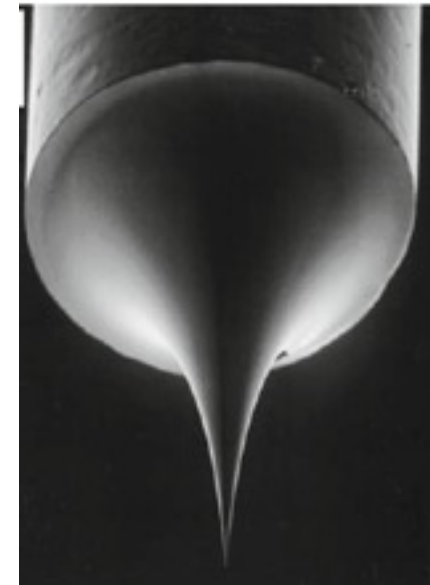
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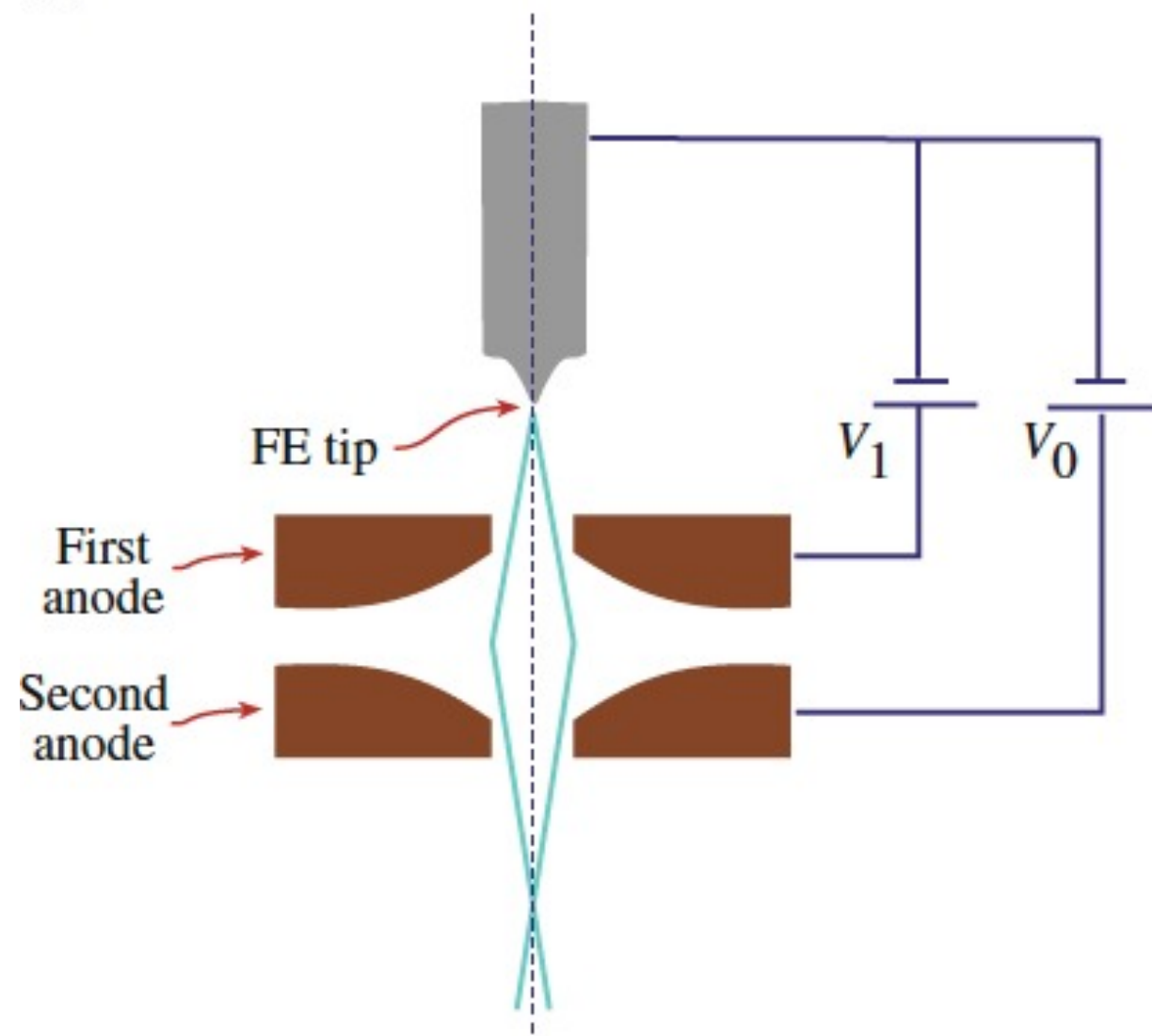
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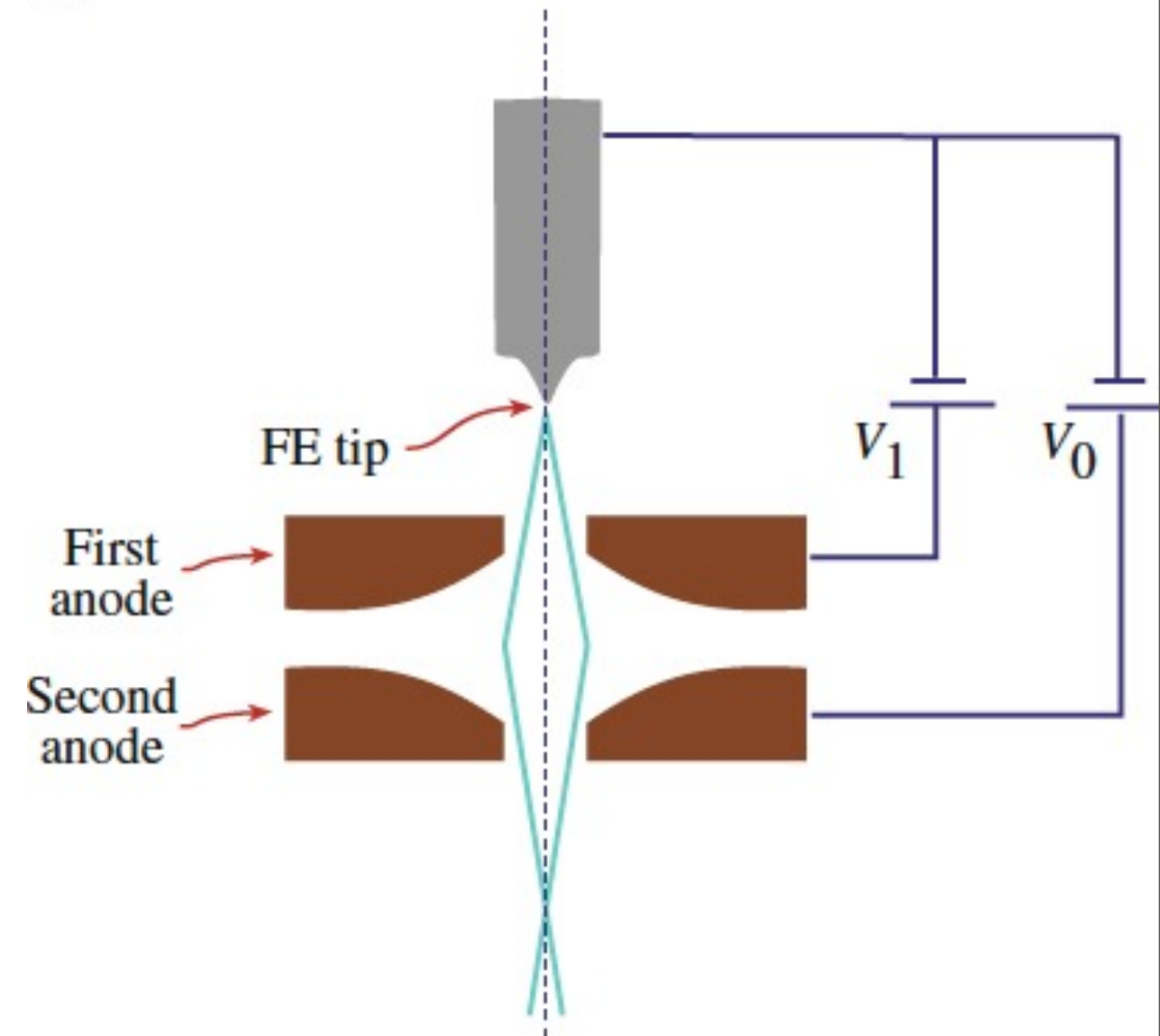
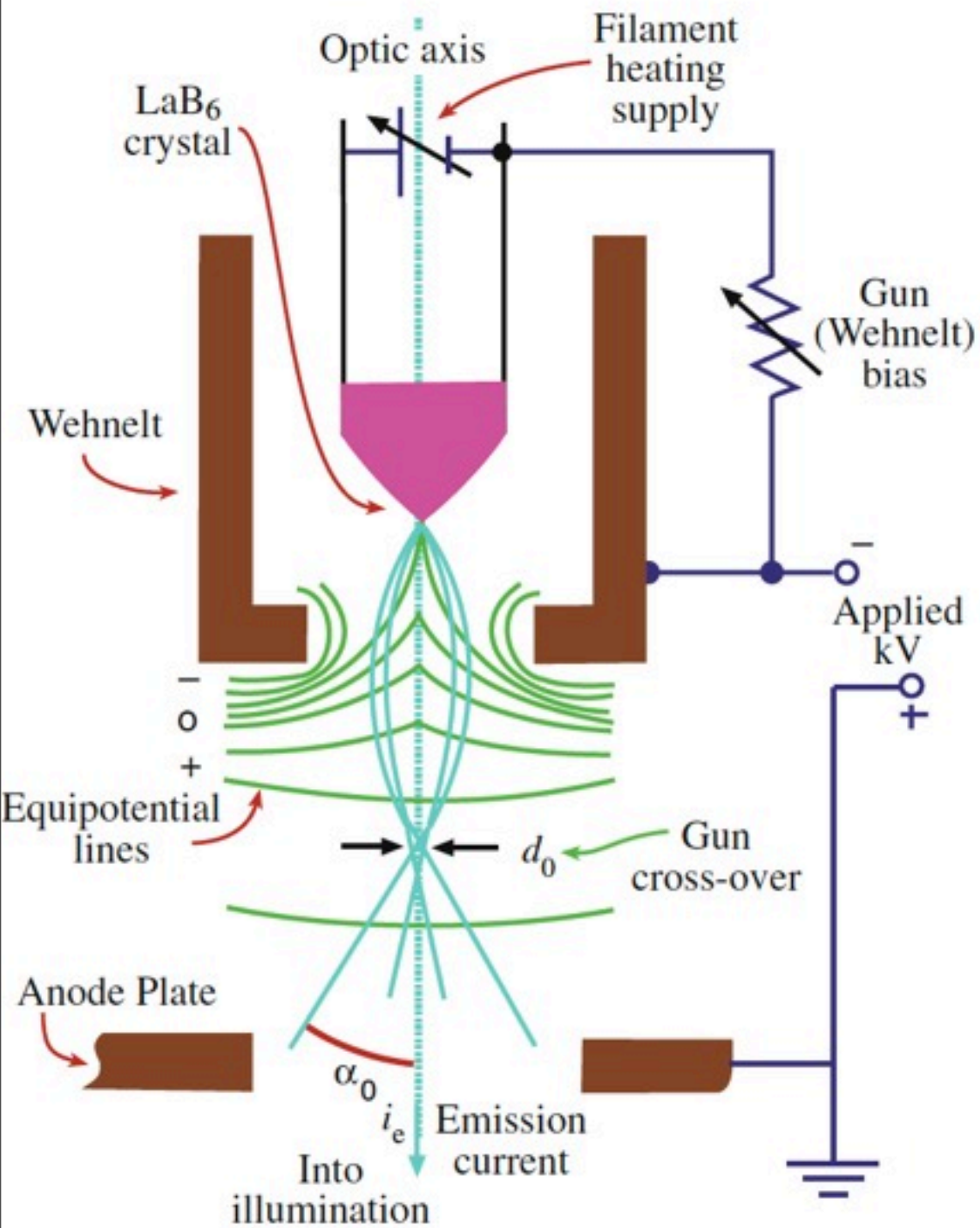
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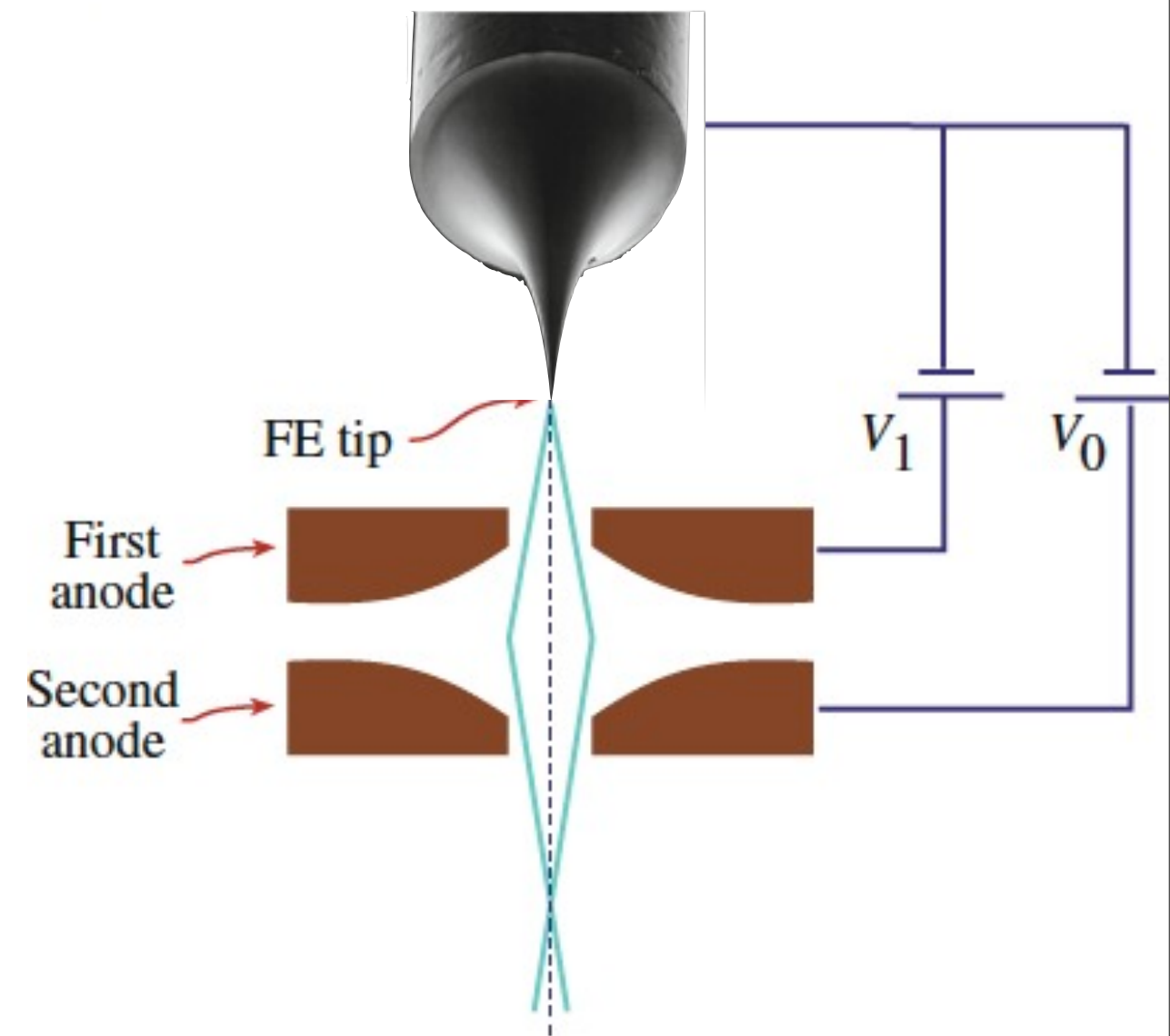
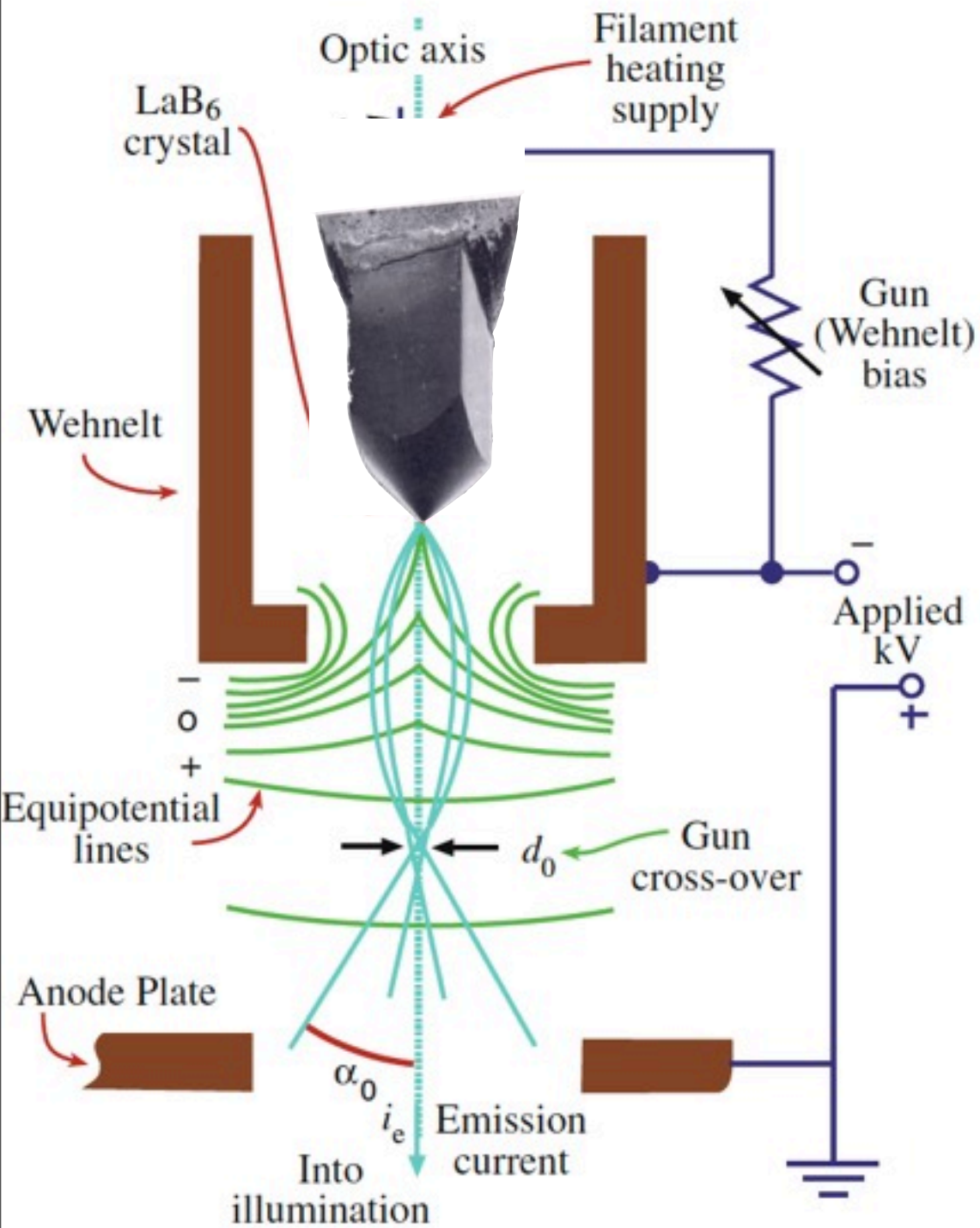
V_1 = 幾kV:extraction voltage 萃取電壓

V_0 = 100kV or more:accelerating
voltage(加速電壓)

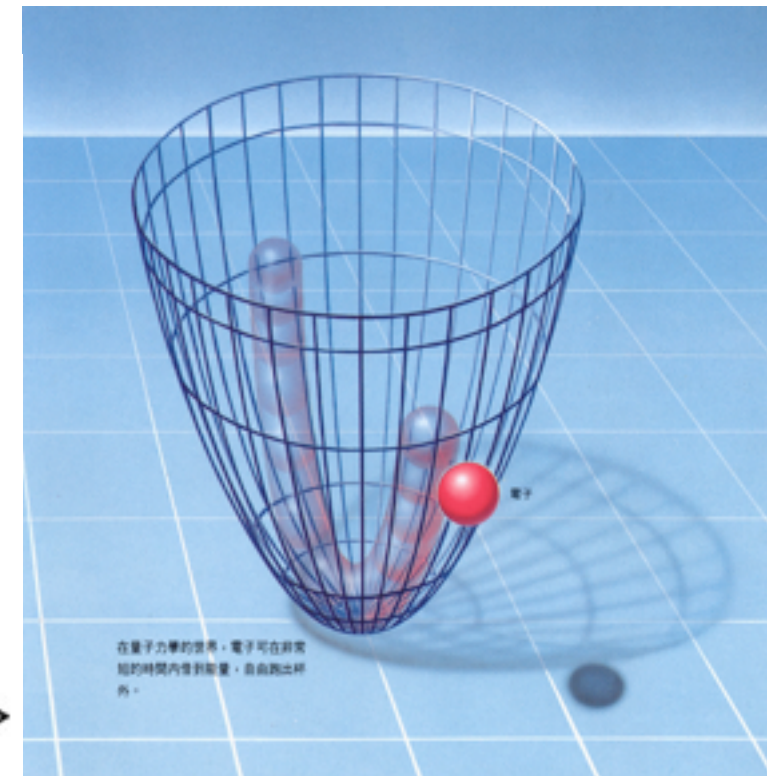
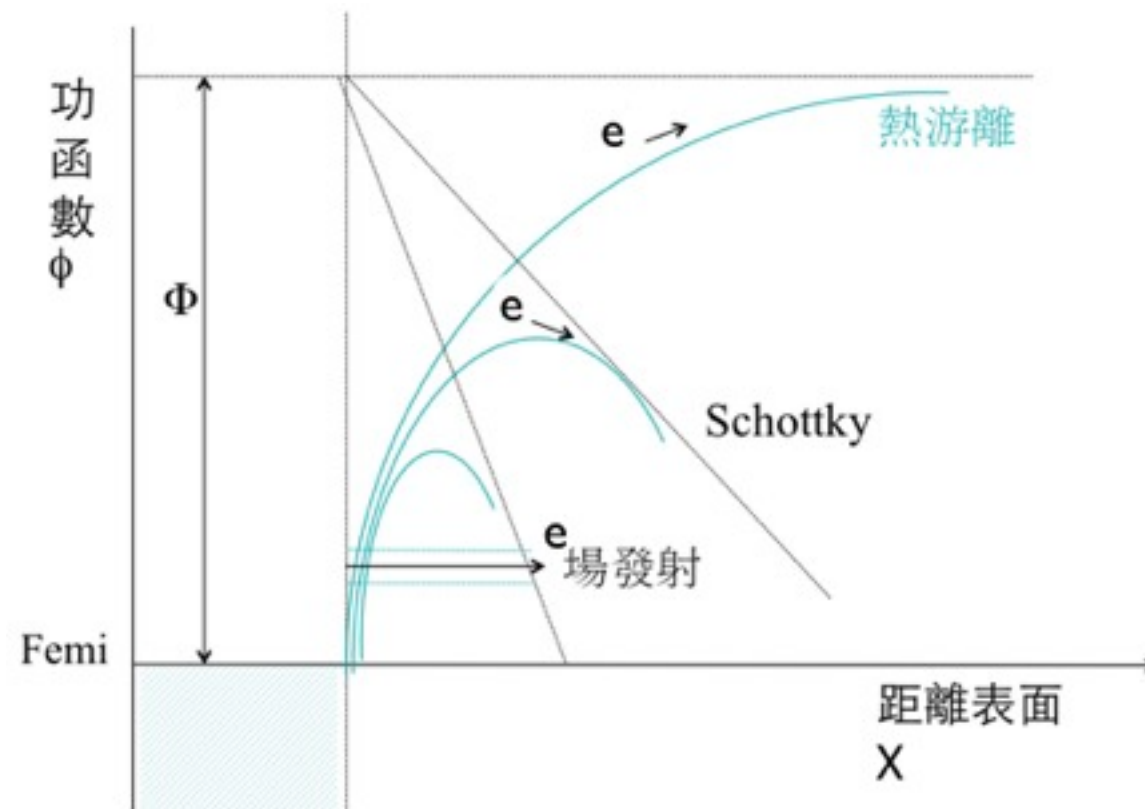
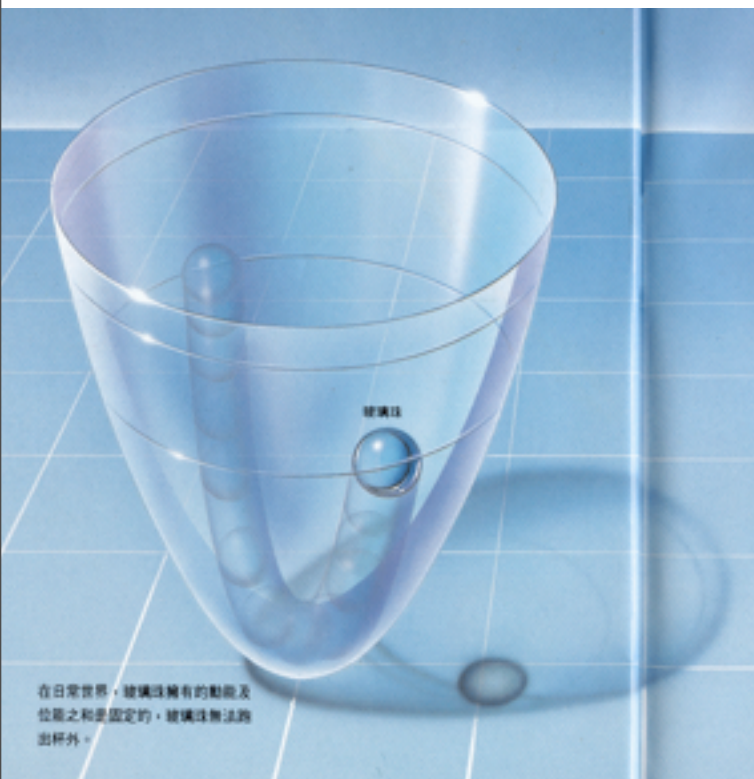
Thermionic Source vs. Field Emission Source



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• Thermionic Source vs. Field Emission Source



2.2. Brightness

A brightness vs intensity



Intensity: detector

(Amper/cm²*sec)

detector

Brightness ; Source

(Amper/cm²*sr)

source

Advantage of FEG

Brightness is 1000 times higher

Drawback of FEG
stability is poorer,
Flash is needed

Brightness(β)

$$\beta = \frac{i_e}{\pi \left(\frac{d_o}{2} \right)^2 \pi (\alpha_o)^2} = \frac{4i_e}{(\pi d_o \alpha_o)^2}$$

• Cross-Over in electron gun

- current : i_e
- semi-angle : α_o

current density

$$i_e \pi^{-1} \left(\frac{d_o}{2} \right)^{-2}$$

solid angle

$$\pi \alpha_o$$

- d_o

燈絲半徑(r_o)

交叉點半徑(d_o)

W = 50 μ m

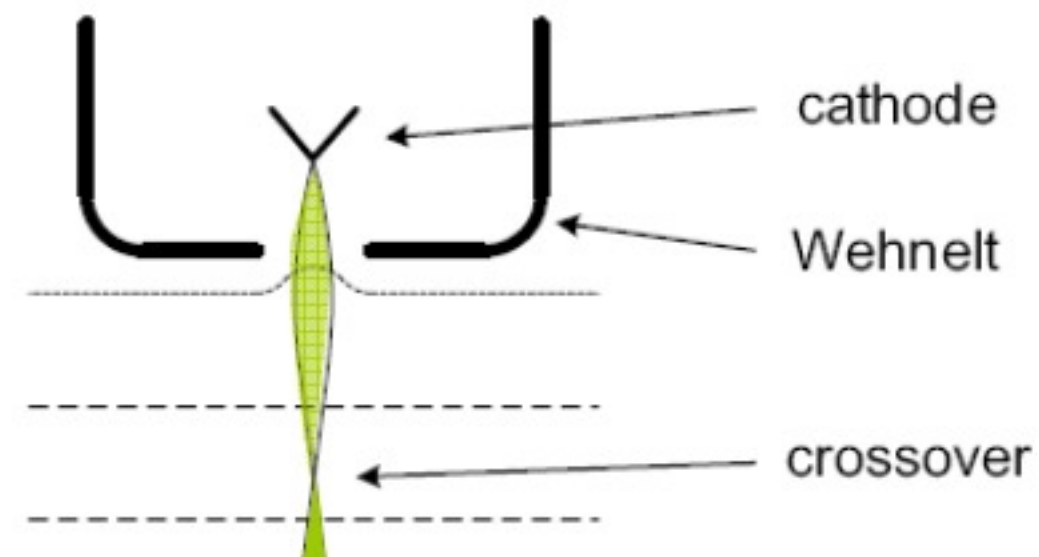
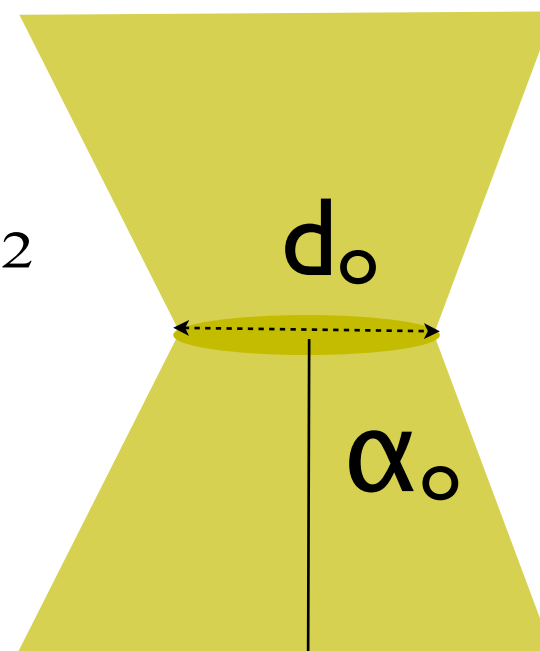
100 μ m

LaB₆ = 10 μ m

10 μ m

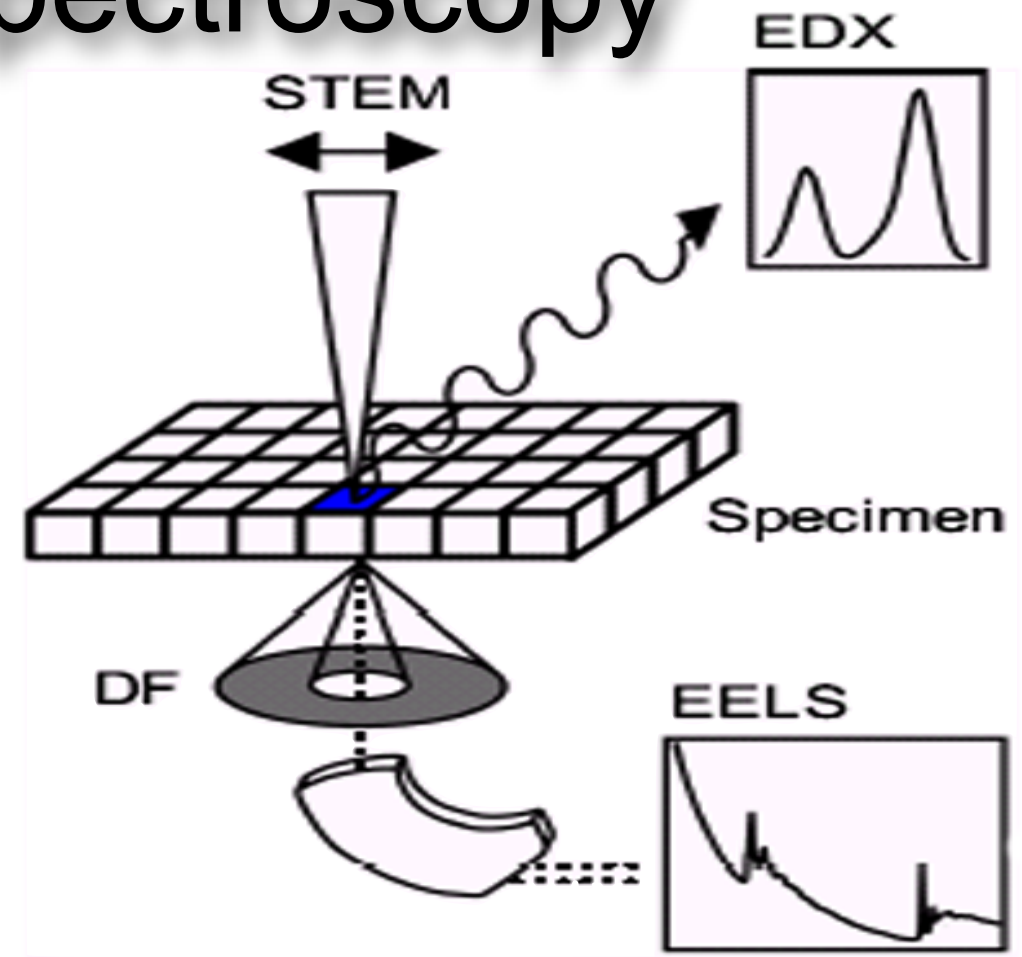
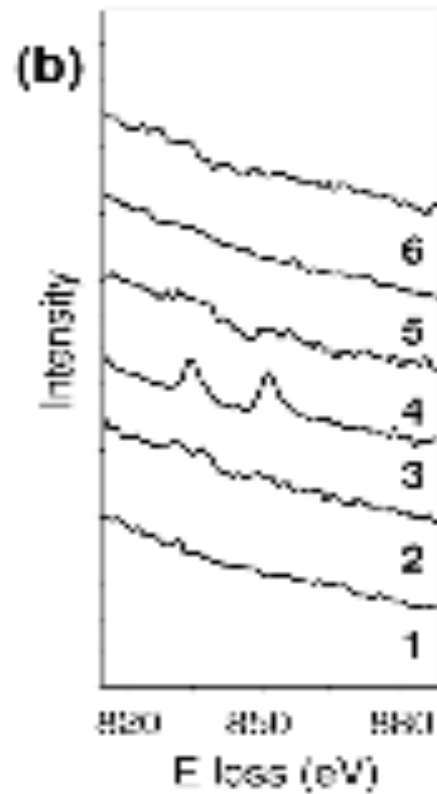
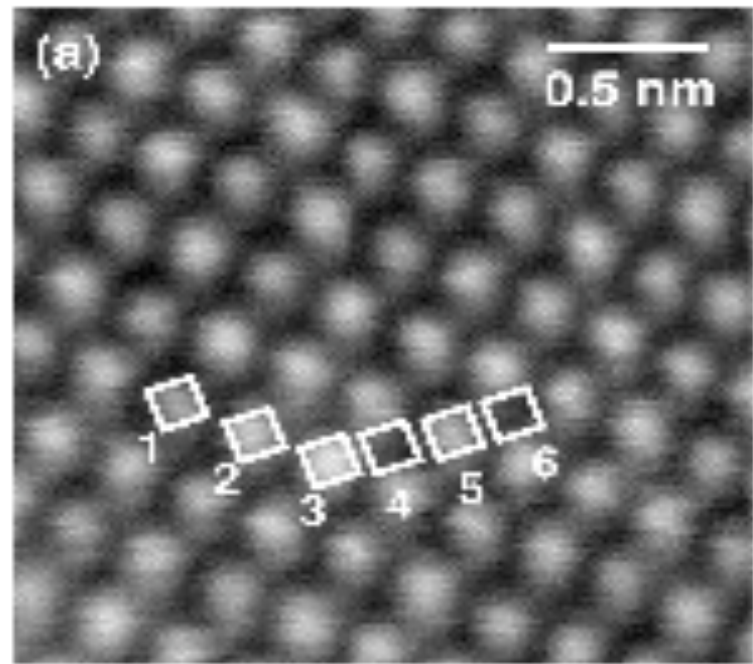
FEG < 10 nm

10 nm



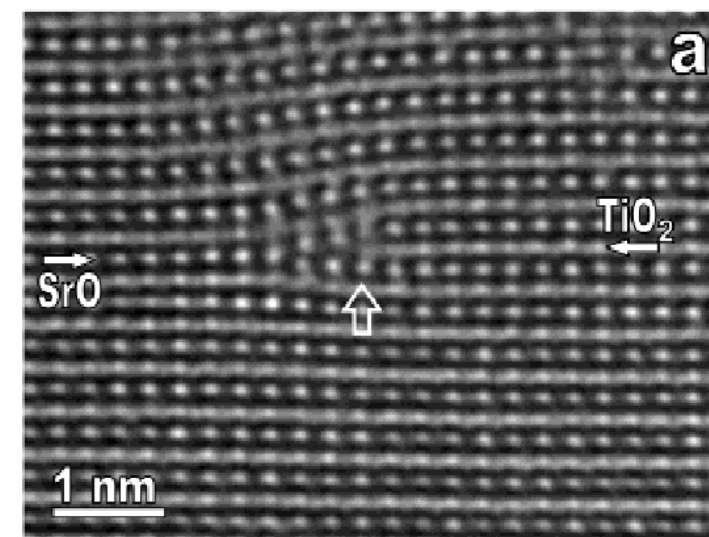
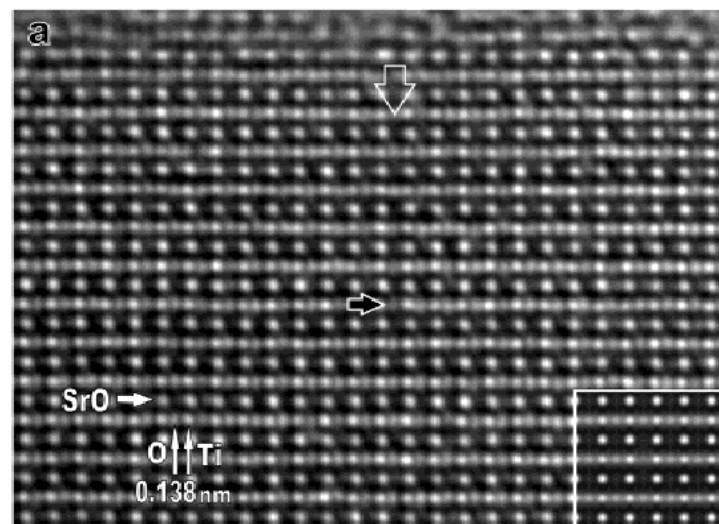
Importance of Brightness

Single atom spectroscopy



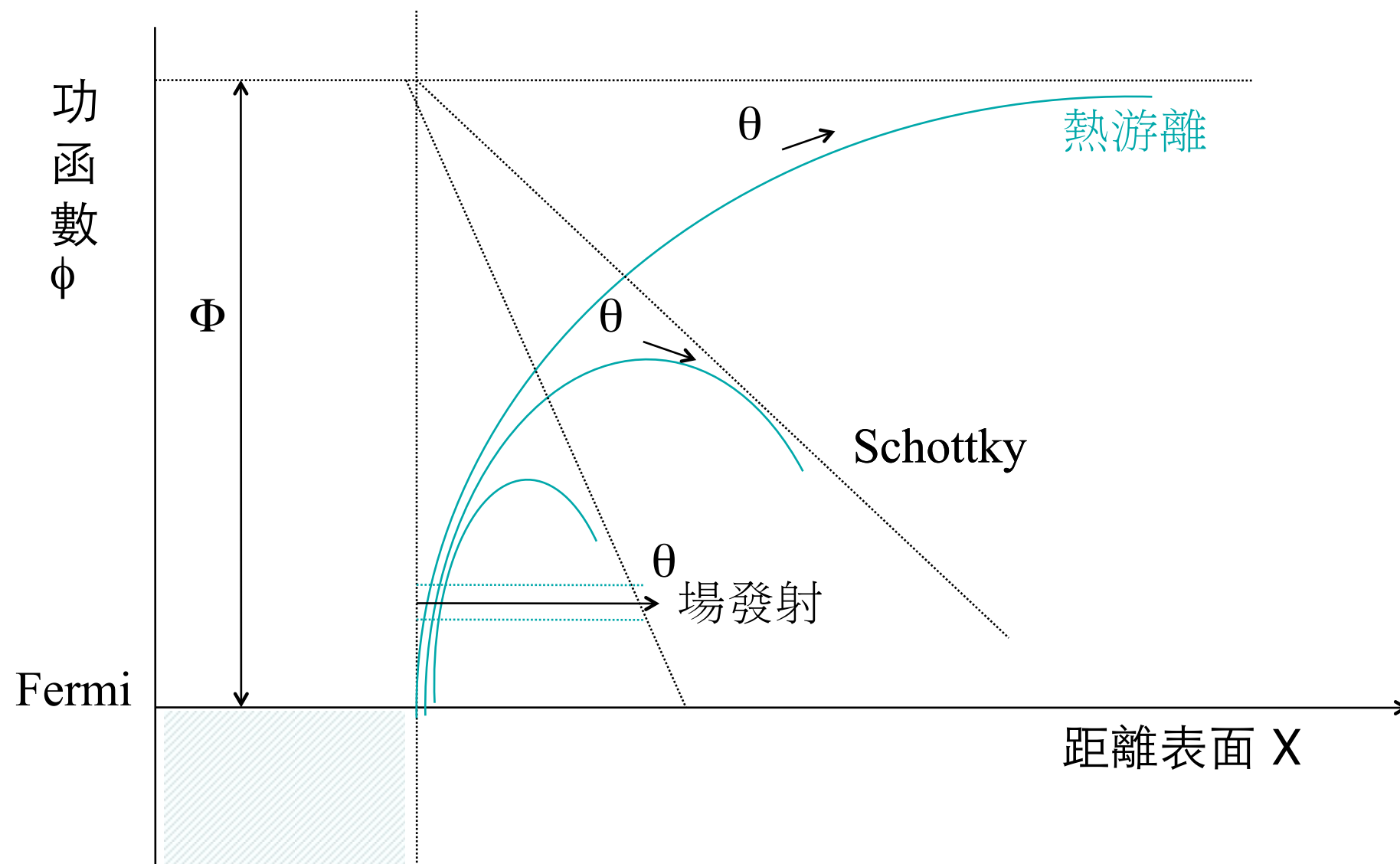
Energy band gap, phonon scattering, electronic structure

SrTiO_3



Schottky Gun

ZrO₂/W: Work function of ZrO₂ is low. It takes advantage of both thermionic gun (stability) and FEG (high brightness)



Characteristics of the Three Principal Sources

Operating at 100kV

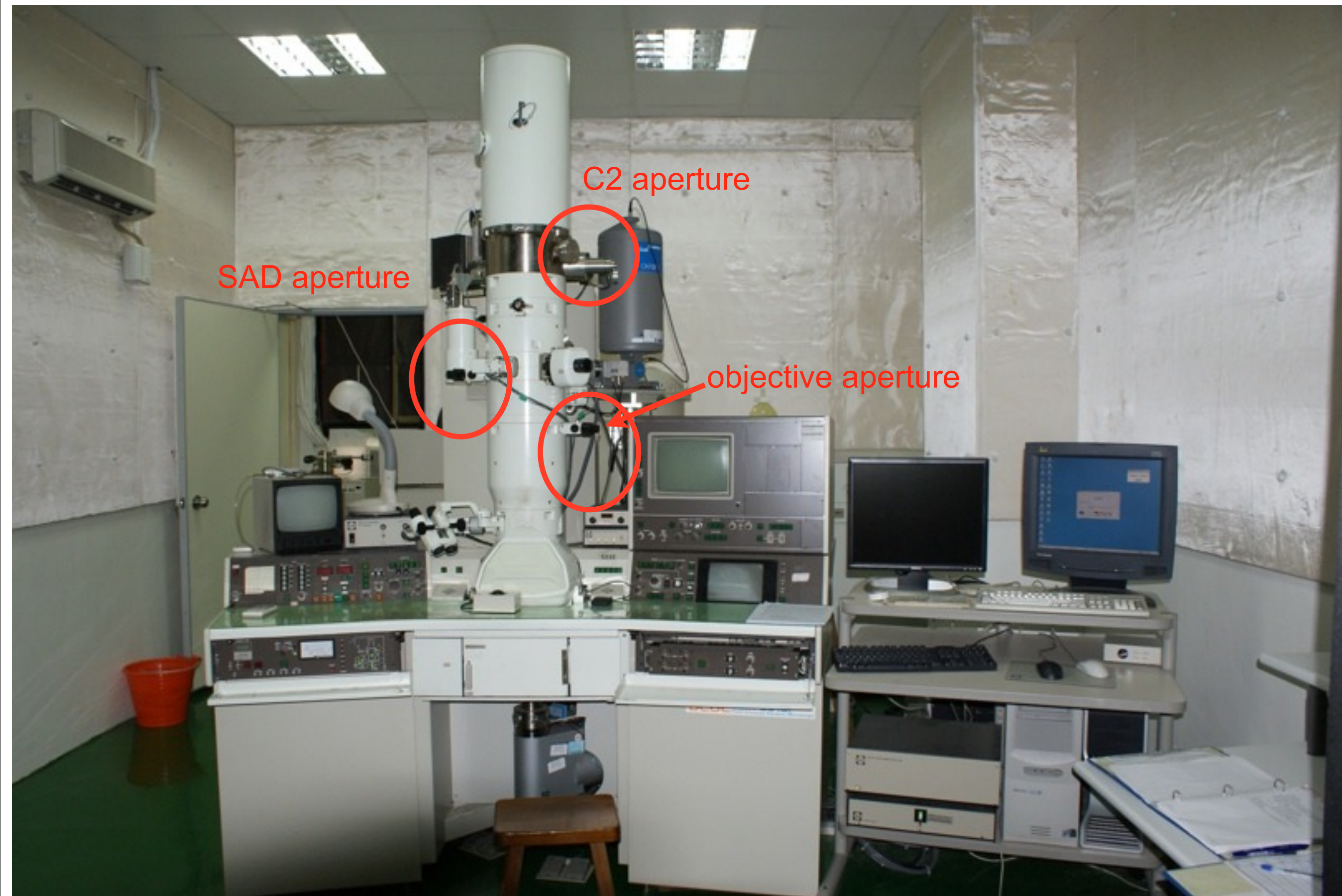
	Units	Tungsten	LaB ₆	Field Emission
Work function, ϕ	eV	4.5	2.4	4.5
Richardson's constant	A/m ² K ²	6 x 10 ⁵	4 x 10 ⁵	
Operating temperature	K	2700	1700	300
Current density	A/m ²	5 x 10 ⁴	10 ⁶	10 ¹⁰
Crossover size	μm	50	10	<0.01
Brightness	A/m ² /sr	10 ⁹	5 x 10 ¹⁰	10 ¹³
Energy spread	eV	3	1.5	0.3
Emission current stability	%/hr	<1	<1	5
Vacuum	Pa	10 ⁻²	10 ⁻⁴	10 ⁻⁸
Lifetime	hr	100	500	>1000

場發射光源具有點光源(好空間相干性)和小能量發散(好能量相干性)

SAD aperture

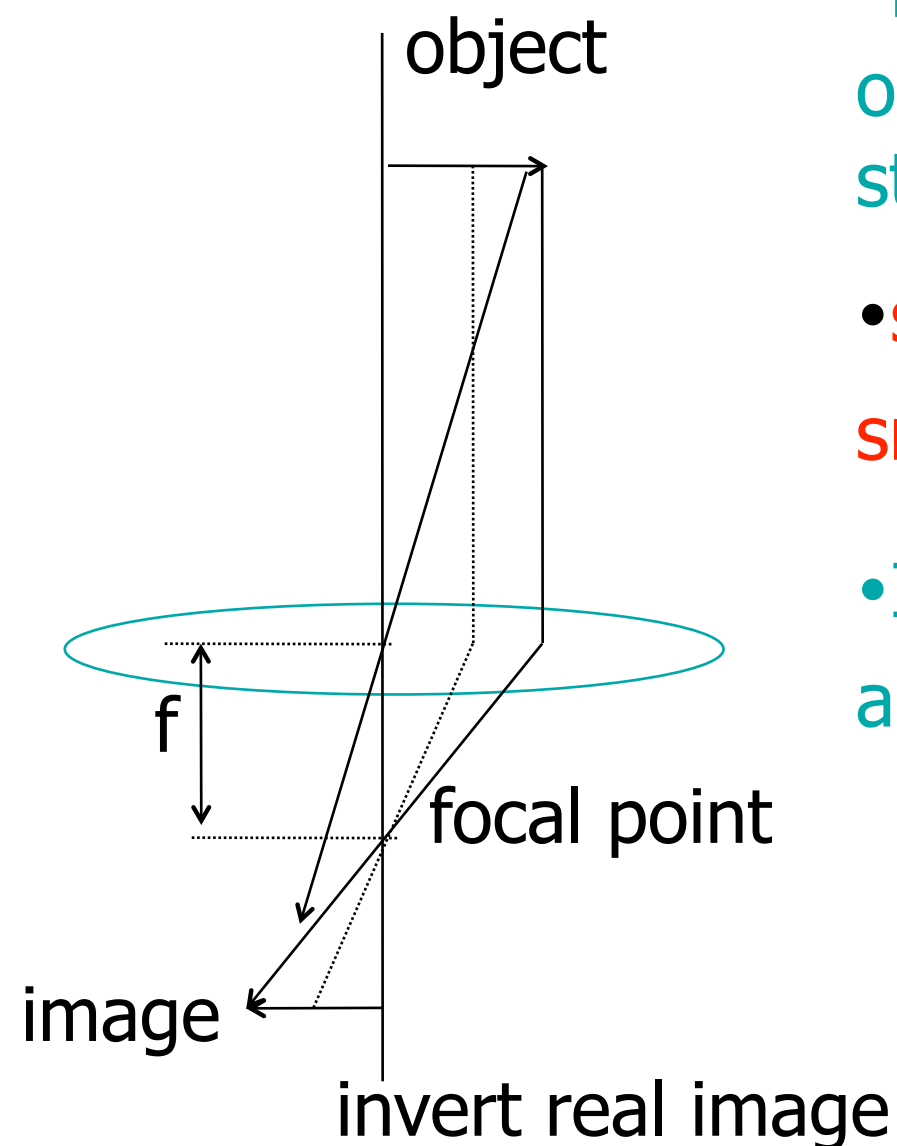
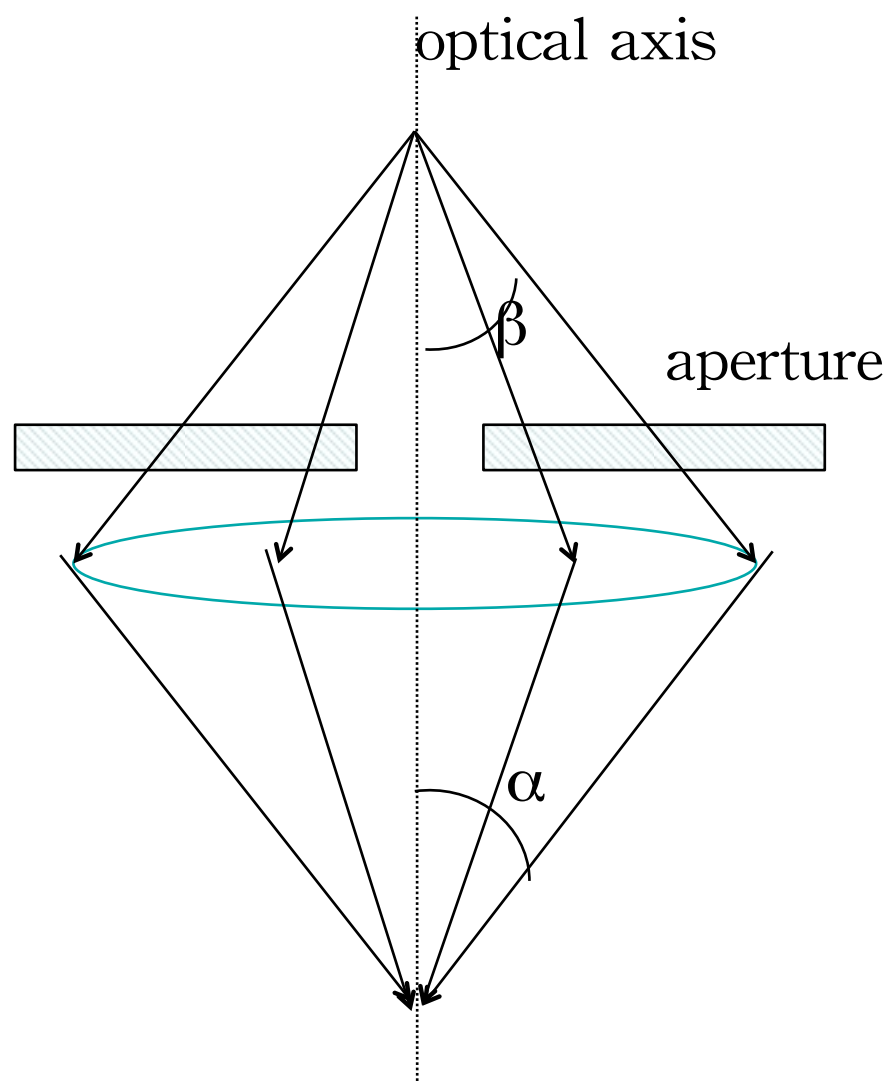
C2 aperture

objective aperture



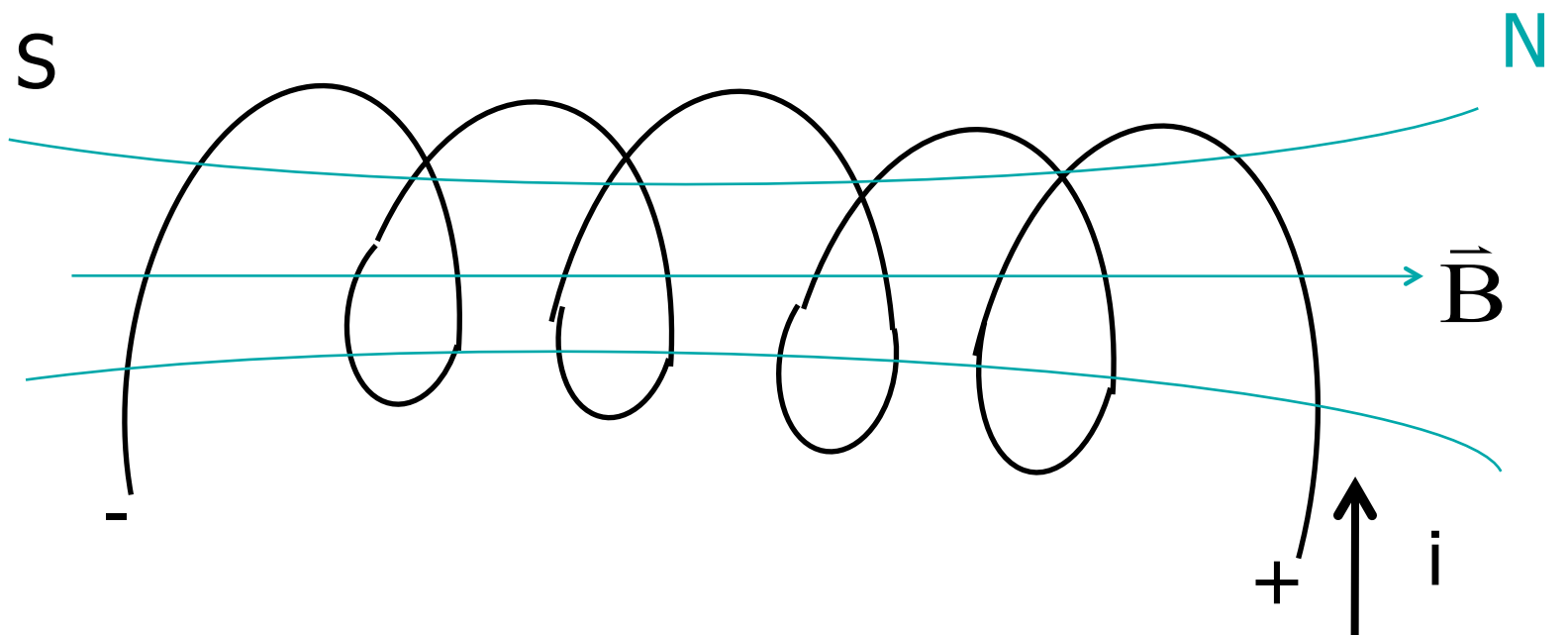
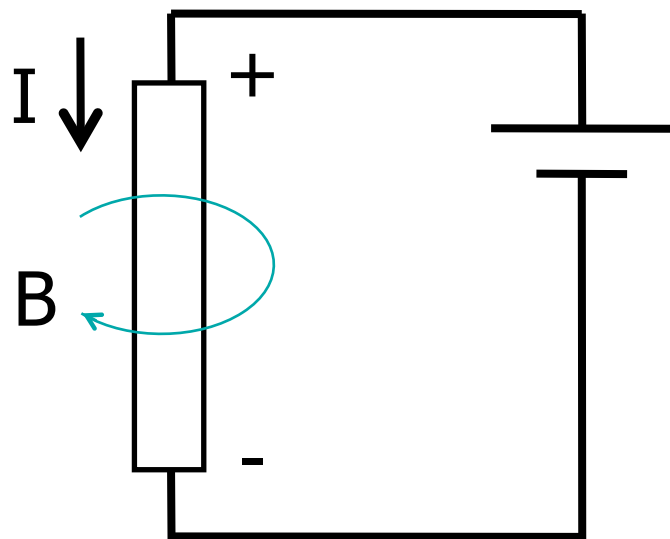
2.4. Magnetic lens

- The magnetic lens in an EM is like ∇ glass lens. It is always a convergent lens.

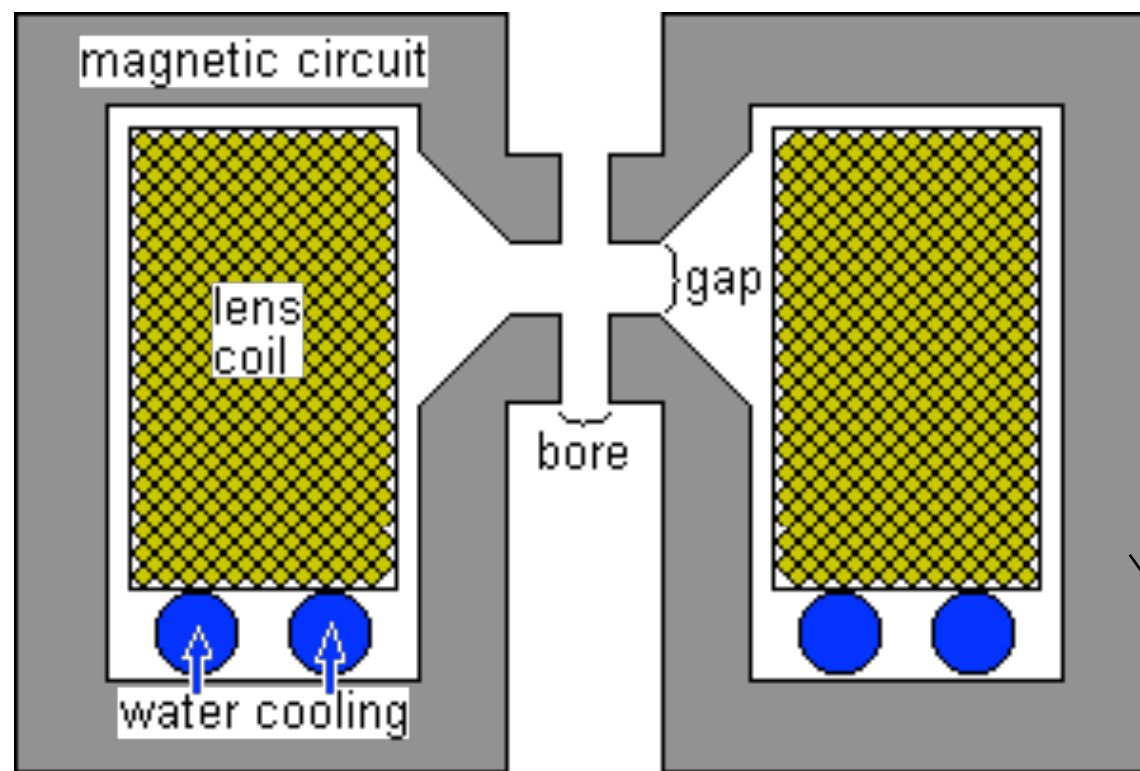


- in fact, the trajectory of electron is not straight line in lens
- stronger lens means smaller focal length
- In typical EM, β is about 10 mrad ~ 0.57°

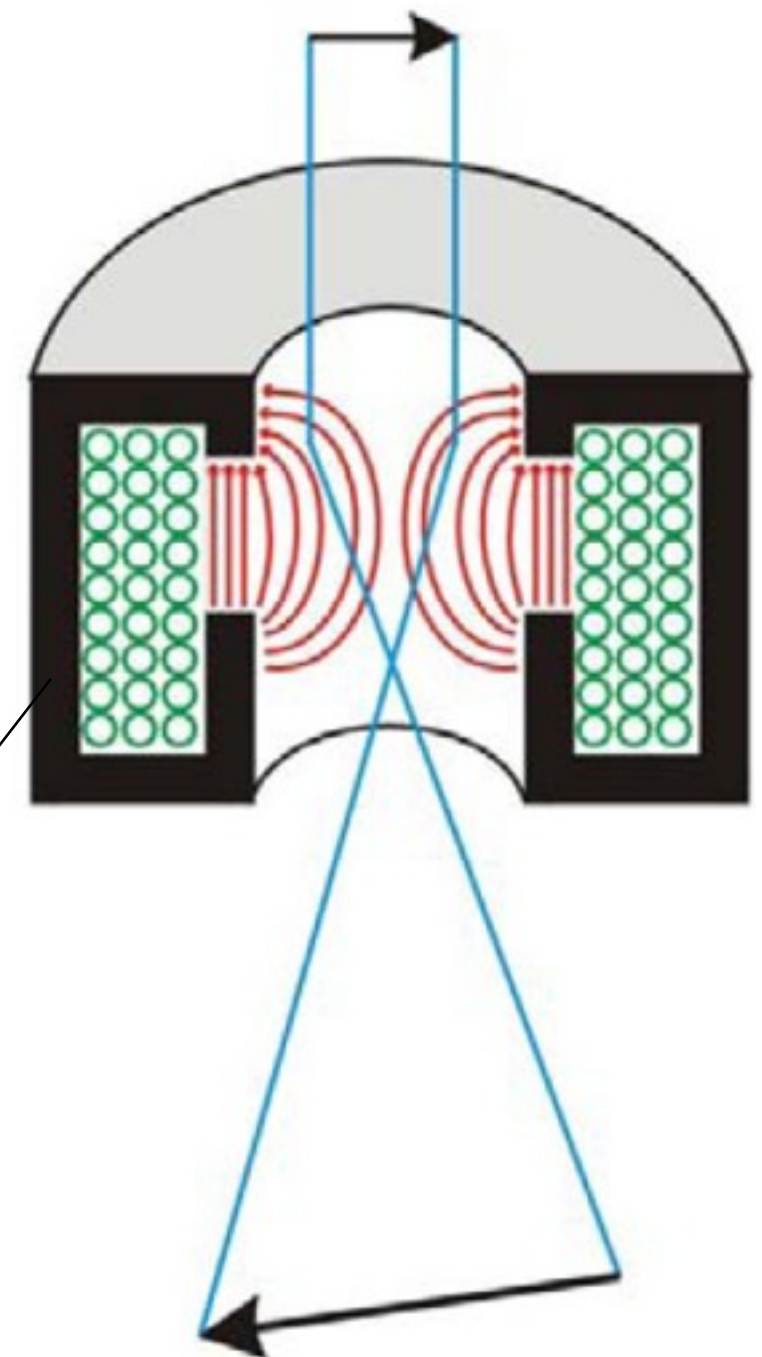
Induced Magnetic field



2.4.1 magnetic lens



iron



2.4.2 trajectory of electron

- F (Lorentz force)

$$\vec{F} = -e(\vec{v} \times \vec{B}), \quad \vec{v} \text{ velocity of electrons}$$

$$\vec{F} \perp (\vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

$$|\mathbf{F}| = e v B \sin\theta$$

θ angle between optical axis and trajectory

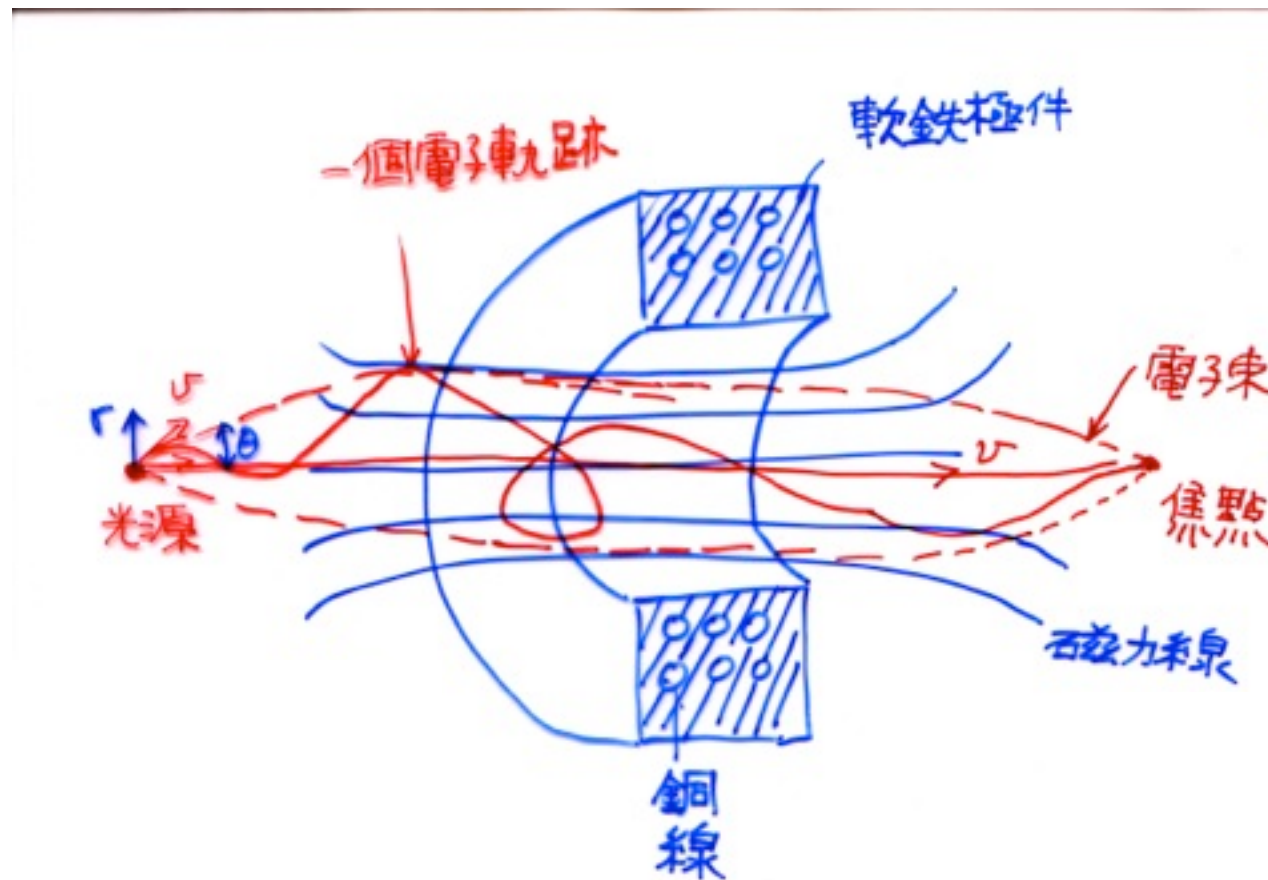
$\theta=0$, No force

$\theta=90$ max. force

$$|\mathbf{F}| = evB = \frac{mv^2}{\gamma}, \quad \gamma = \frac{mv}{eB}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{3.37 \times 10^{-6} \left[V \left(1 + 0.9788 \times 10^{-6} V \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}}{B}, \quad V = 100 \text{ Kv}, \quad B = 1 \text{ Tesla}, \quad \gamma \sim 1 \text{ mm}$$

- Higher magnetic field is needed for higher energy electron



$$\vec{F} = -e(\vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

V : velocity of electrons

$$\eta : \frac{e}{(2m_0c^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\frac{d^2r}{dz^2} + \frac{\eta^2 B^2 r^2}{2V^{1/2}} = 0$$

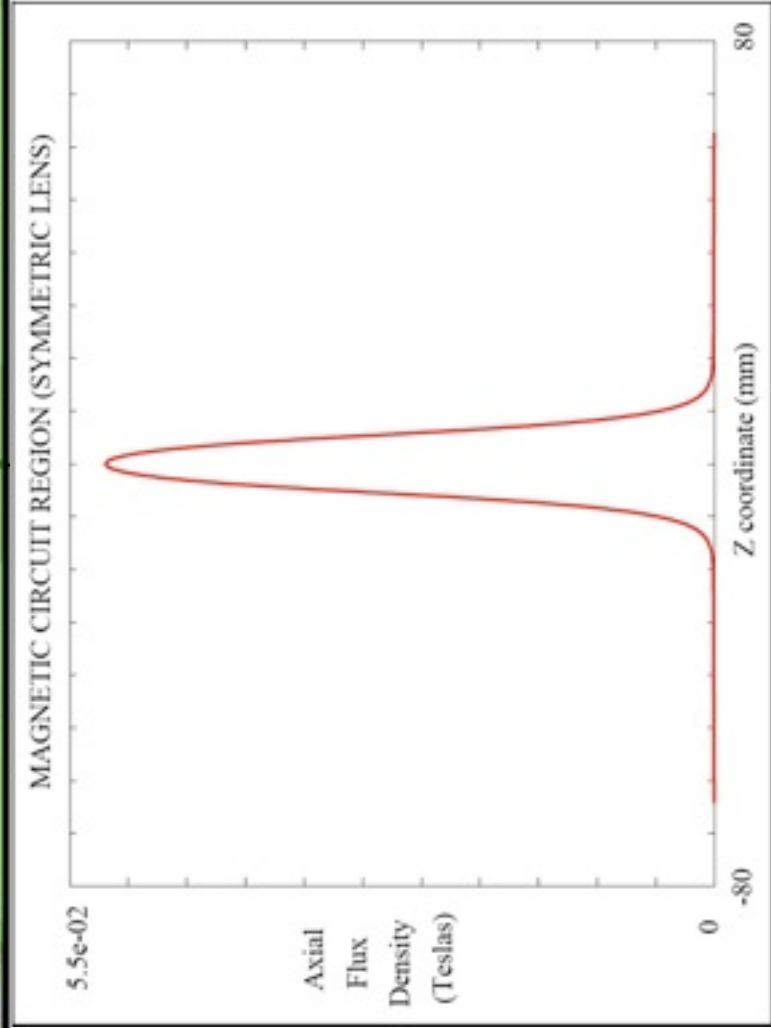
$$\frac{d\theta}{dZ} = \frac{\eta B}{2V^{1/2}}$$

Paraxial Egn.

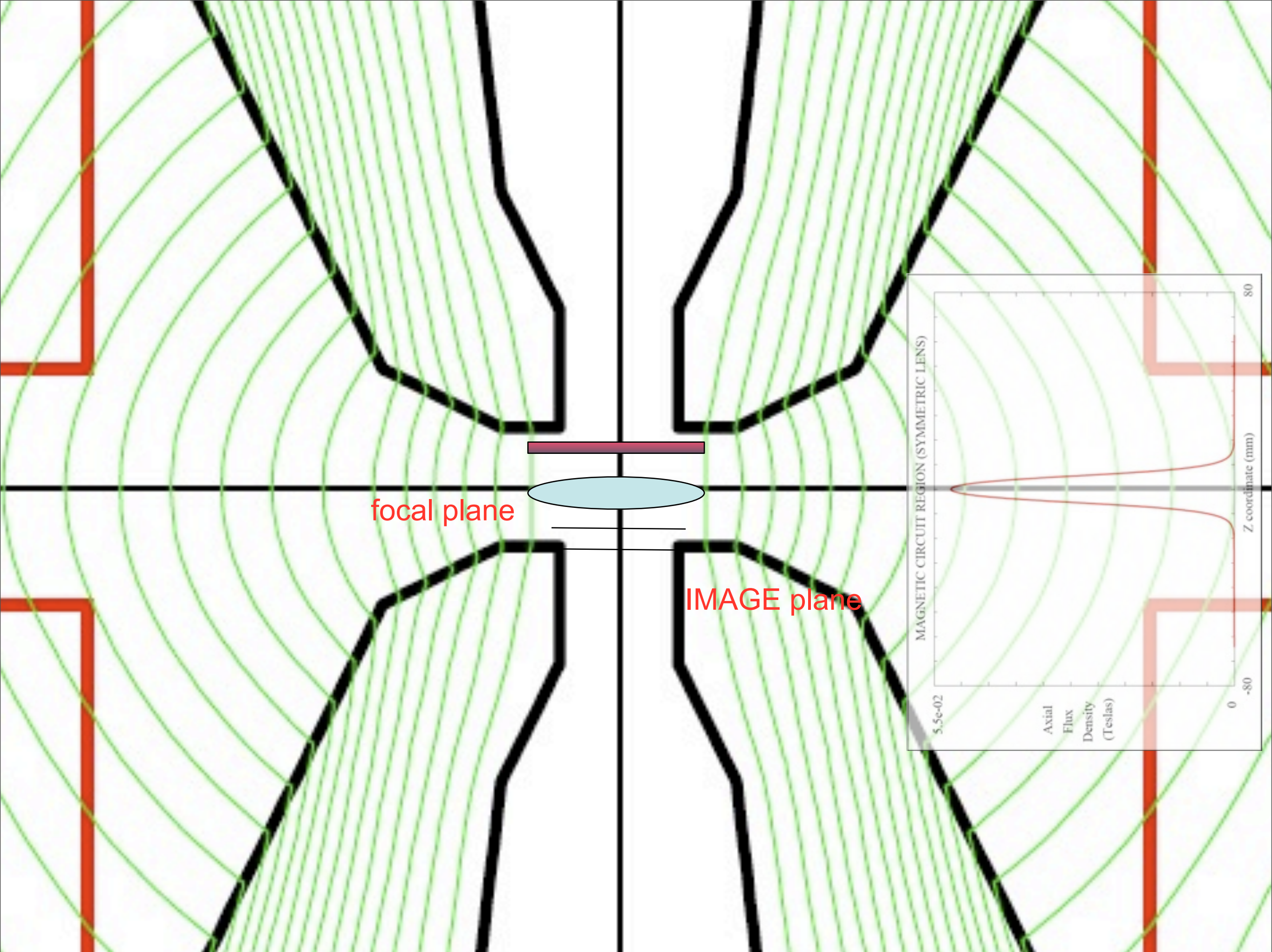
- electron trajectory is helical .



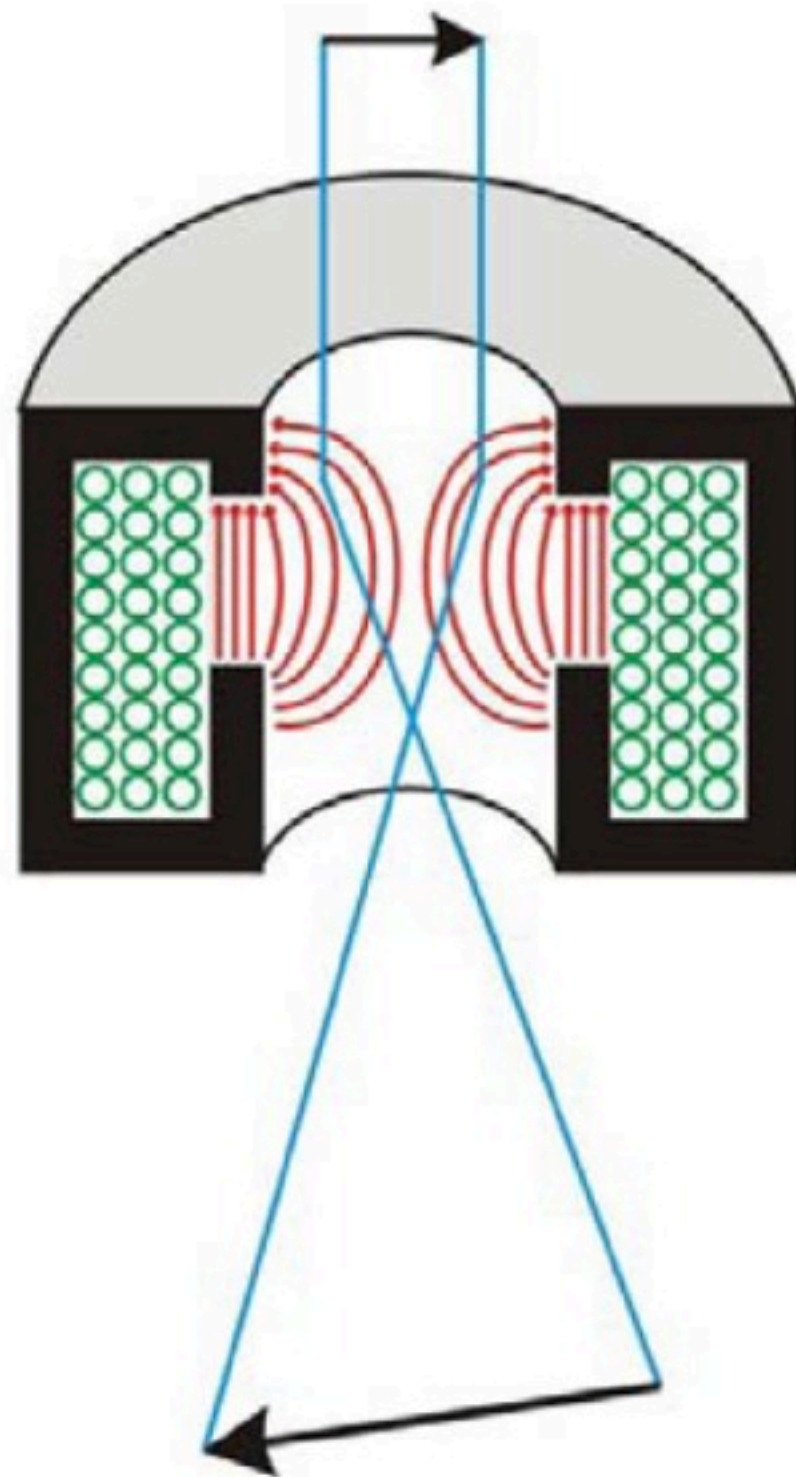
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Magnetic Lens



Object plane

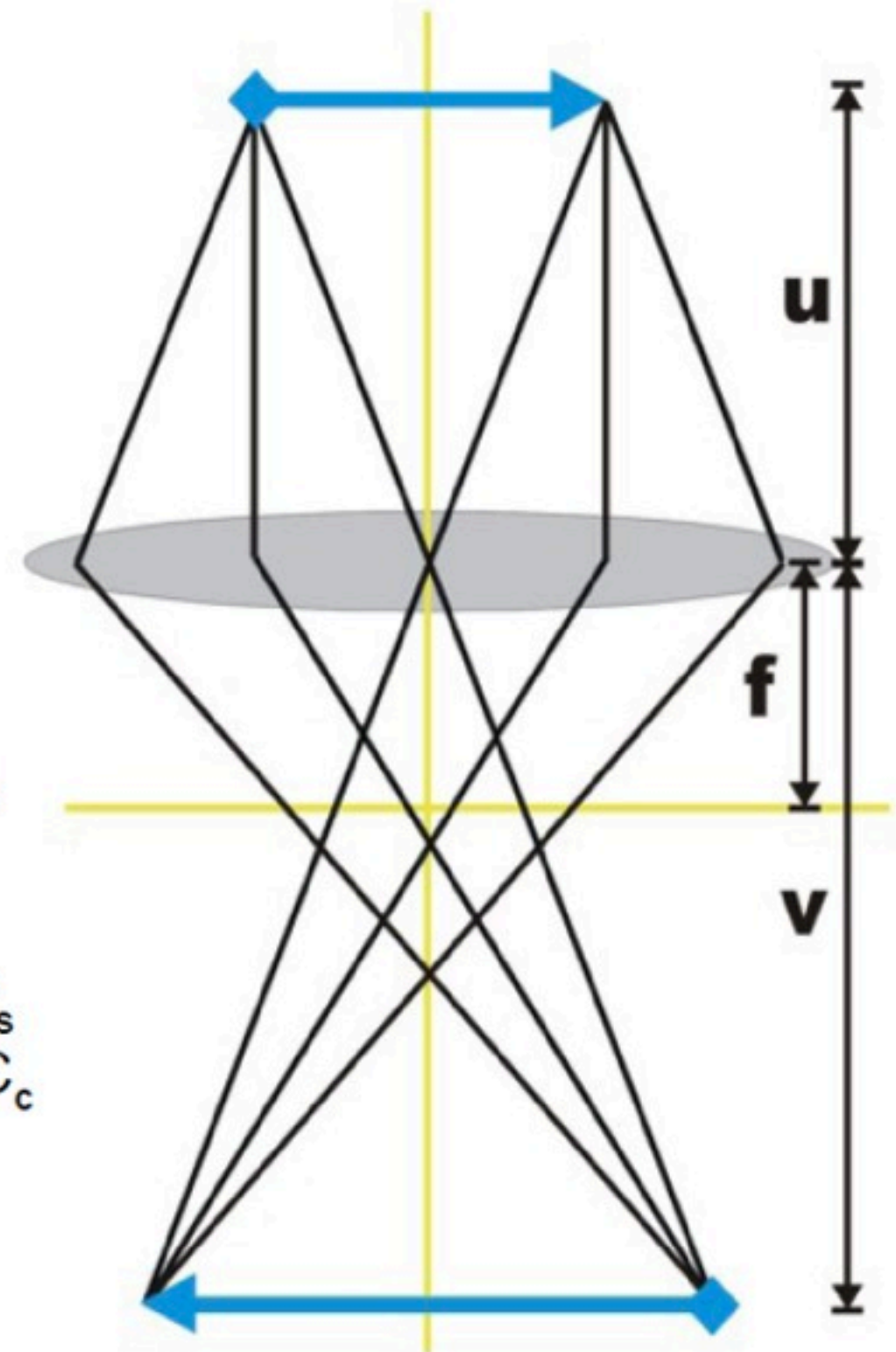
Lens

Back focal plane

Lens problems:
spherical aberration C_s
chromatic aberration C_c
astigmatism

Image plane

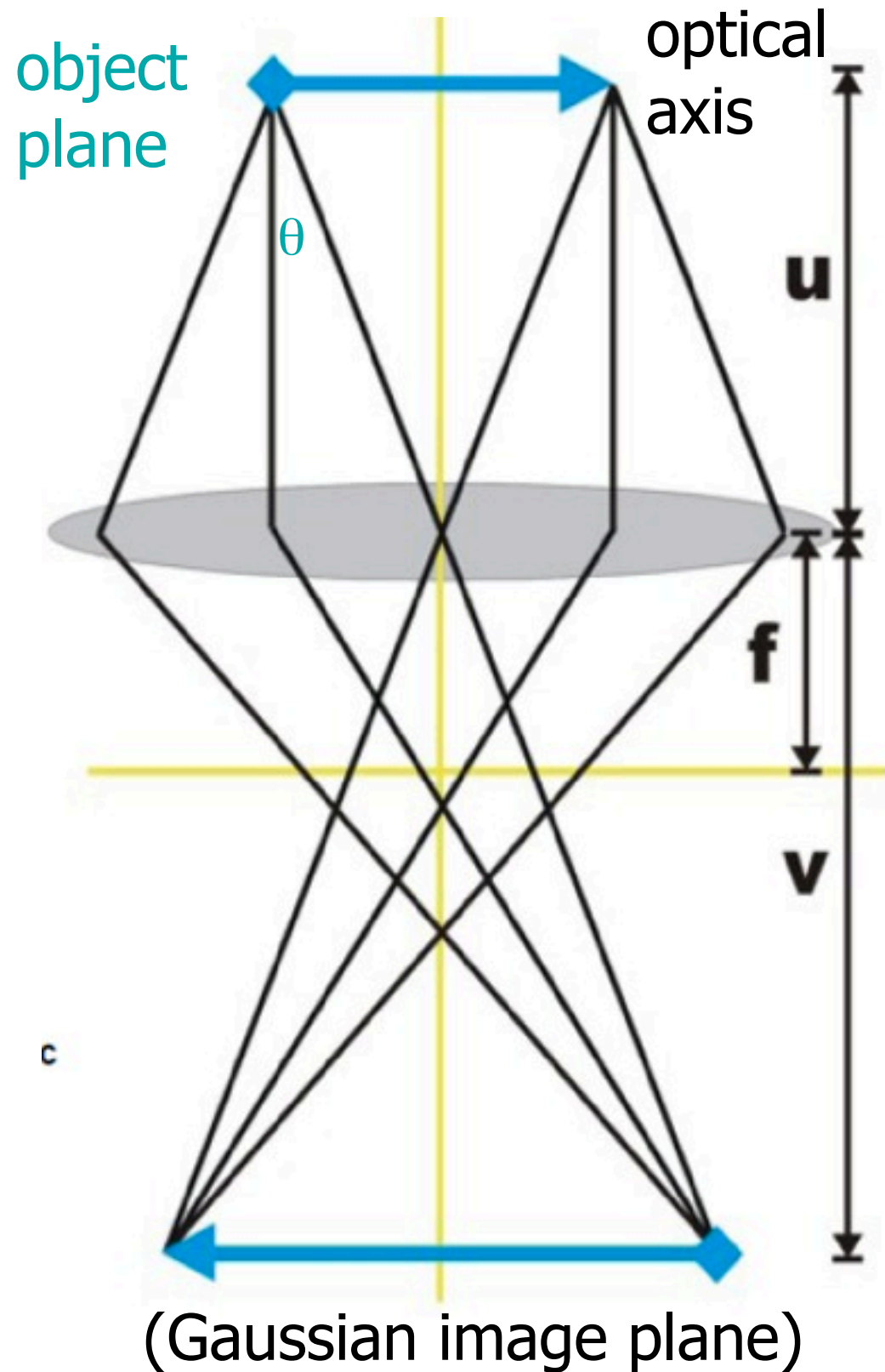
Light optical analogue



Lens equation: $1/u + 1/v = 1/f$

Magnification $M = v/u$

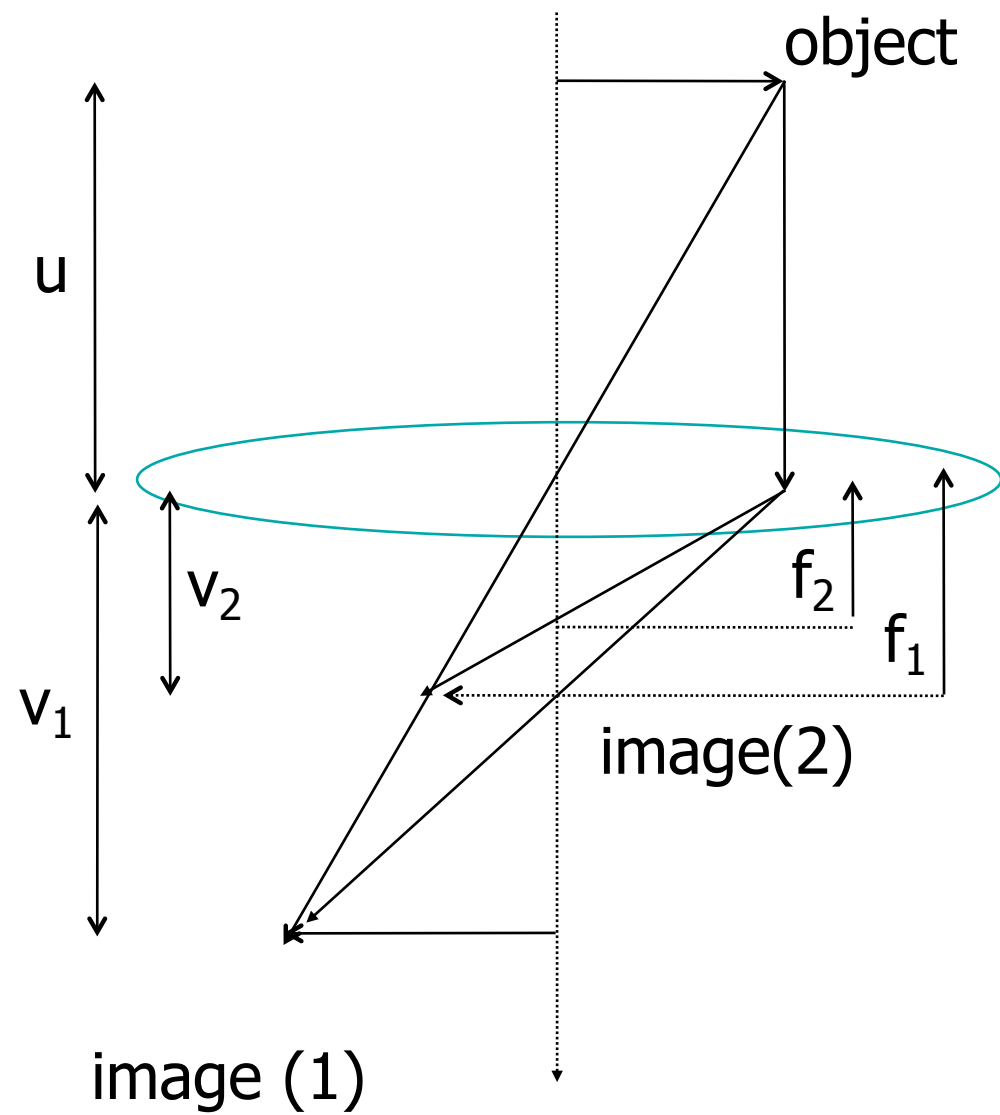
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□ (Back focal plane BFP)

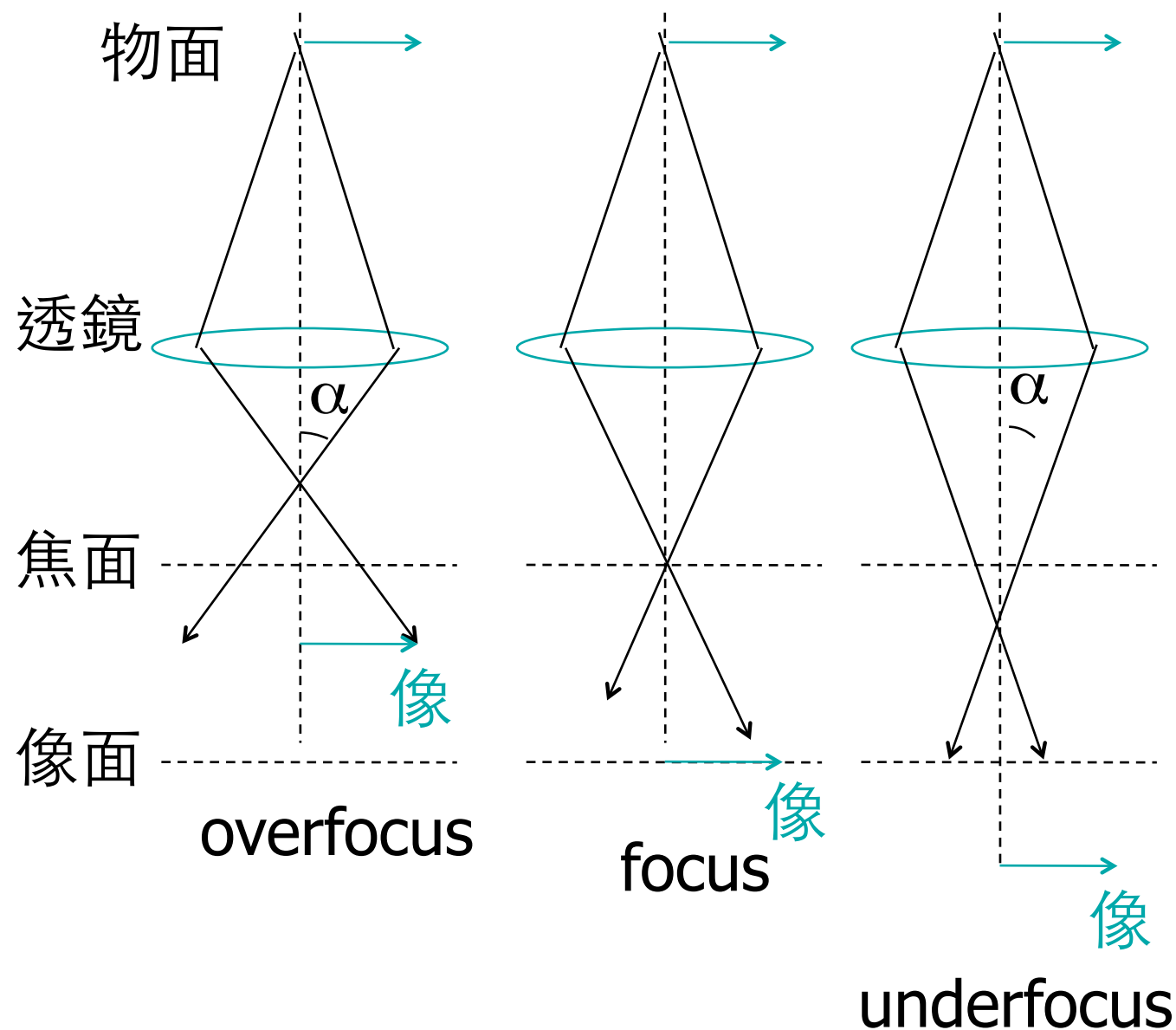
- Principal Optical Elements
 - object plane
 - back focal plane
 - image plane
- image-object (conjugate planes)
- u object position
- v image position
- f focal length
- M magnification

$$\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f} \text{ (牛頓透鏡公式, } M = \frac{v}{u} \text{)}$$



$$\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v \downarrow} = \frac{1}{f \downarrow}, \quad \mathbf{M} \downarrow = \frac{v \downarrow}{u}$$

- 若透鏡變弱，焦距變長使得聚焦及成像在特定的焦面及像面底下，我們稱為欠焦 (underfocus)。



- 若透鏡變強，焦距變短使得聚焦及成像在特定的焦面及像面底下，我們稱為過焦 (overfocus)。







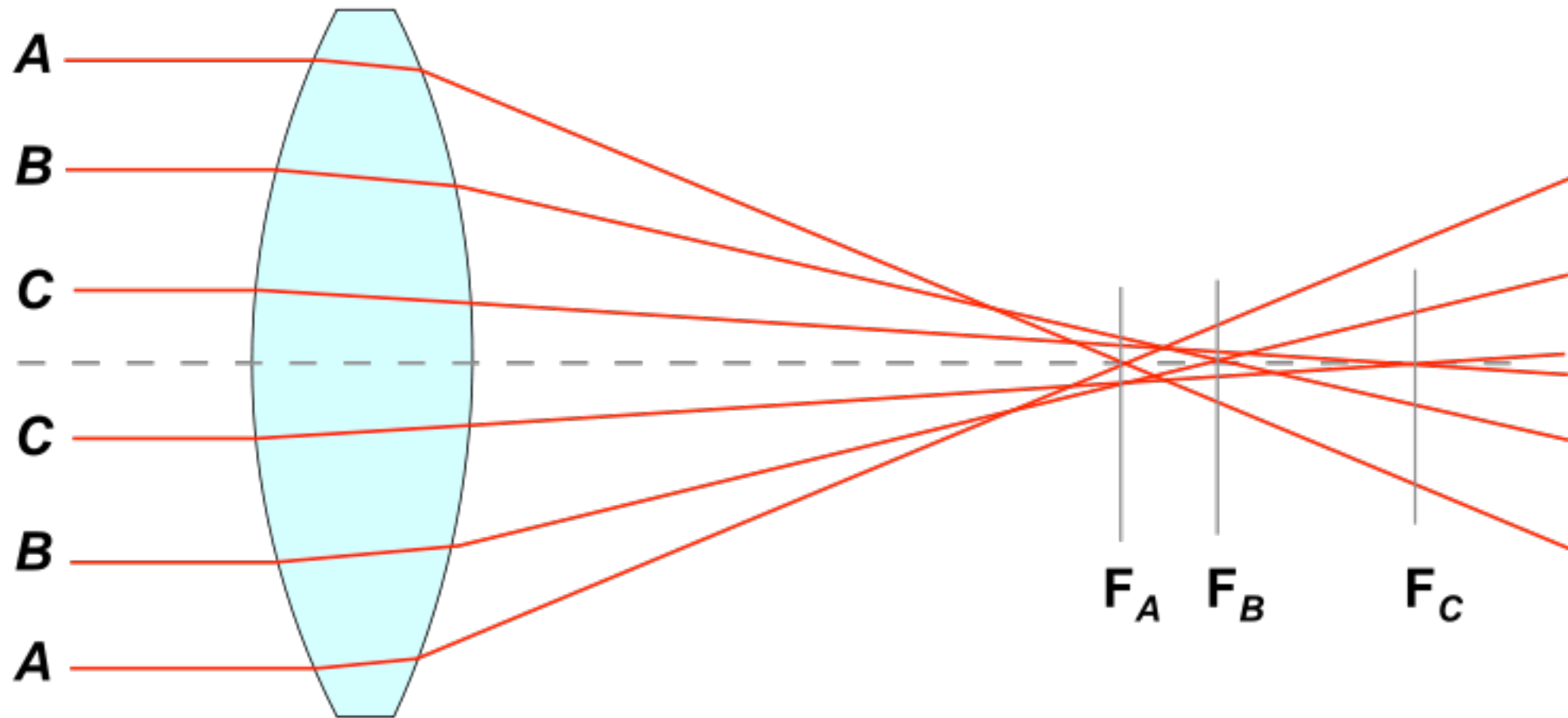
2.4.3. Lens aberration

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◆ 幾種重要的透鏡像差

- A. 球面像差(Spherical aberration)
 - 透鏡對不同角度的光束聚焦能力不同，而形成一模糊區。
- B. 色像差(Chromatical aberration)
 - 透鏡對不同頻率的光束聚焦能力不同，而形成一模糊區。
- C. 散光 (Astigmatism)
 - 透鏡對水平及垂直方向的聚焦能力不同，而形成一模糊區。

- A.球面像差(Spherical aberration)



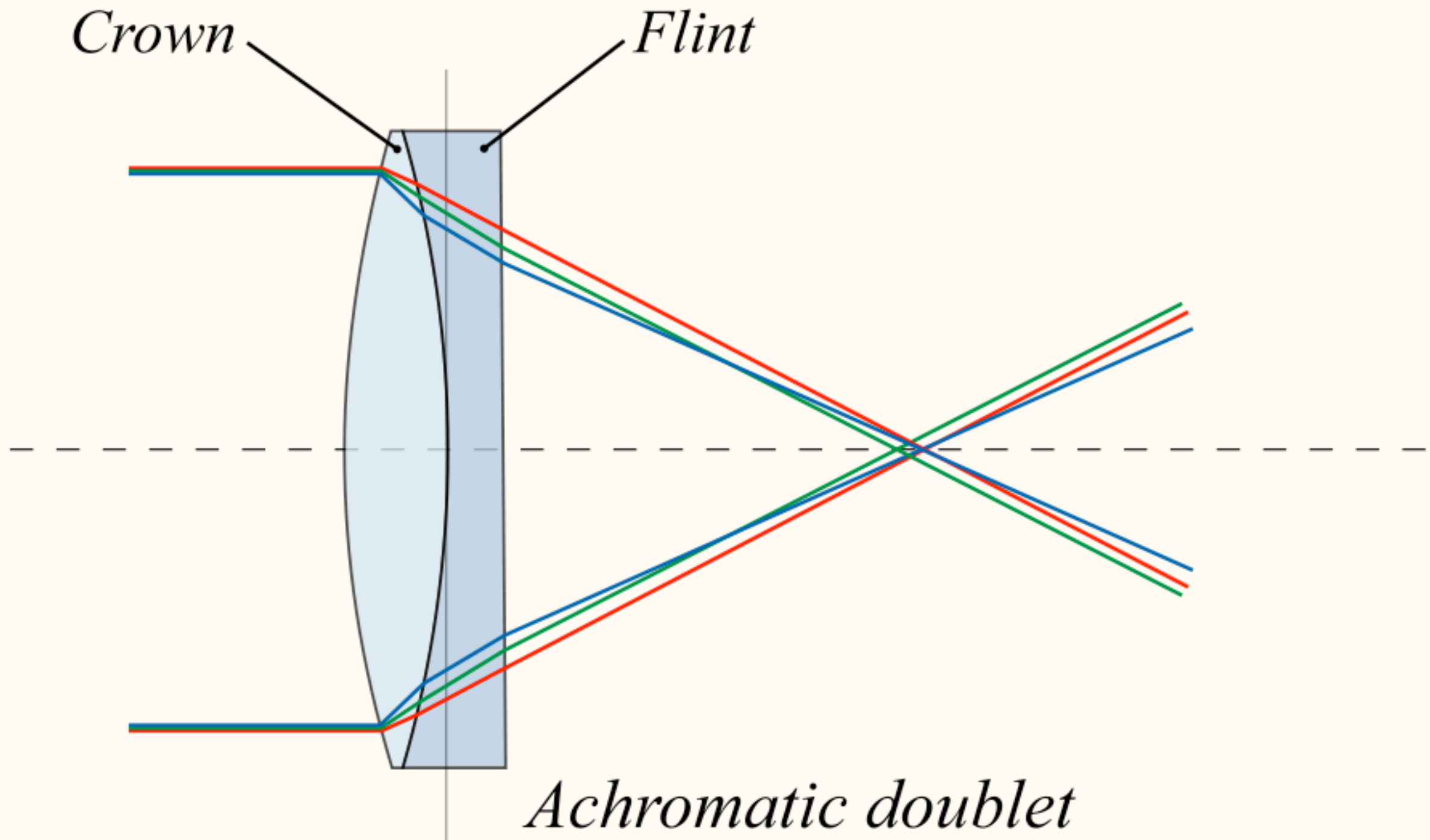
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而形成一模糊區

- 影響聚光鏡的光斑大小
物鏡的分辨率

透鏡的聚光能力在外緣比中間要強，
也就是入射角度愈大的光束
被透鏡偏折得較利害。

- C_s ：球面像差係數
~ 1mm ~ 3mm比電子波長大太多

Chromatic Aberration Corrector

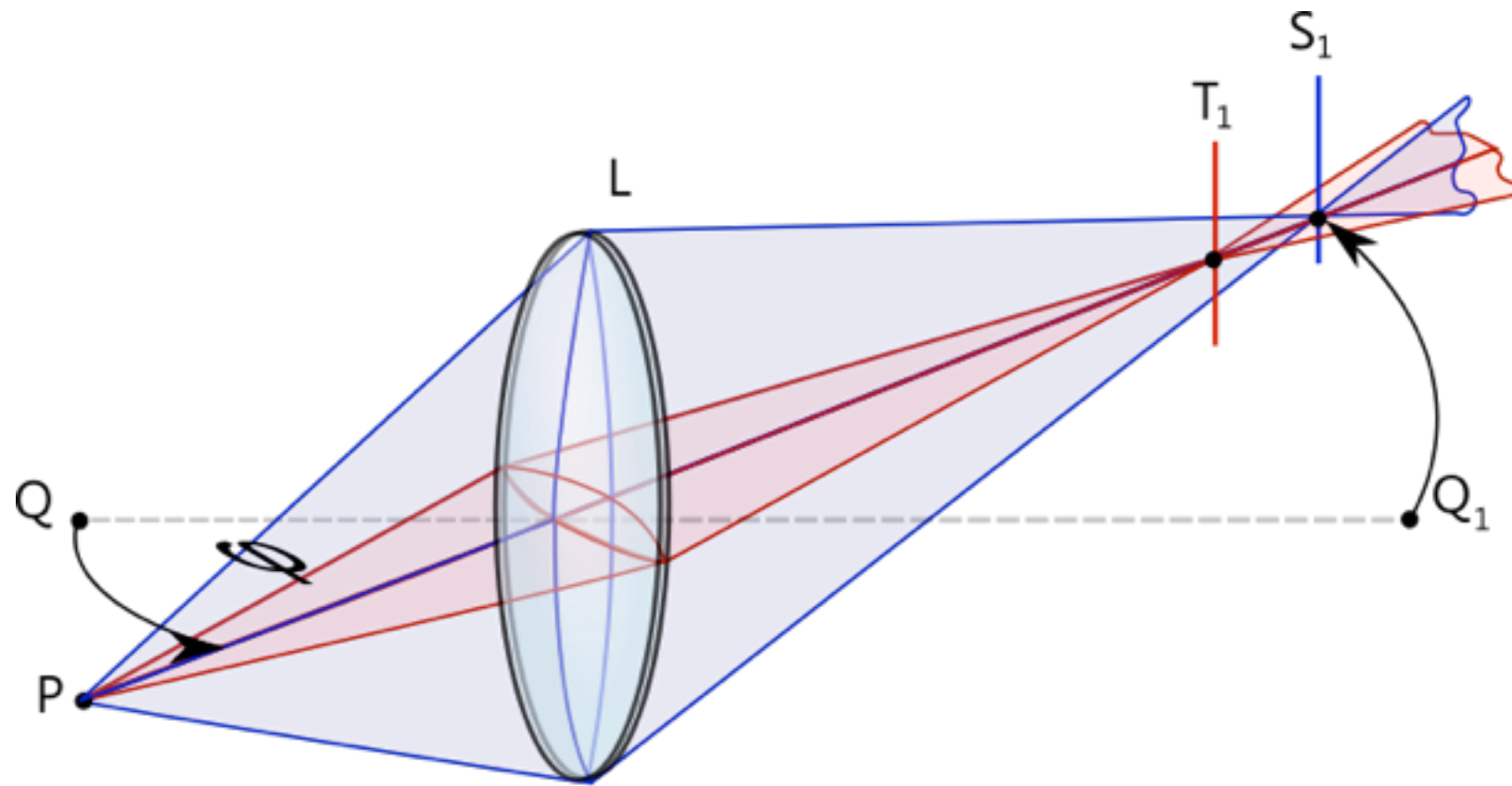


Hubble Telescope

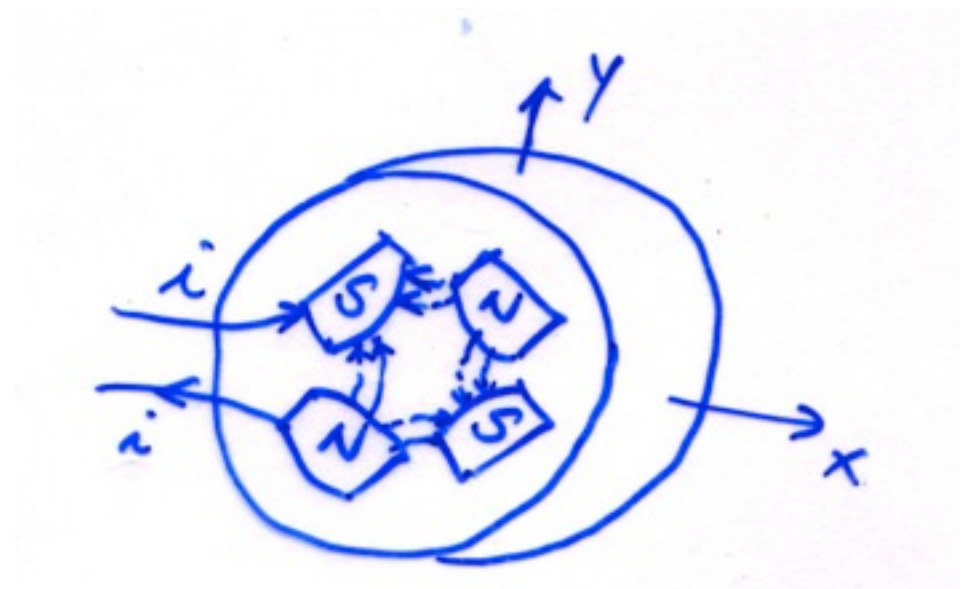


aberration corrected

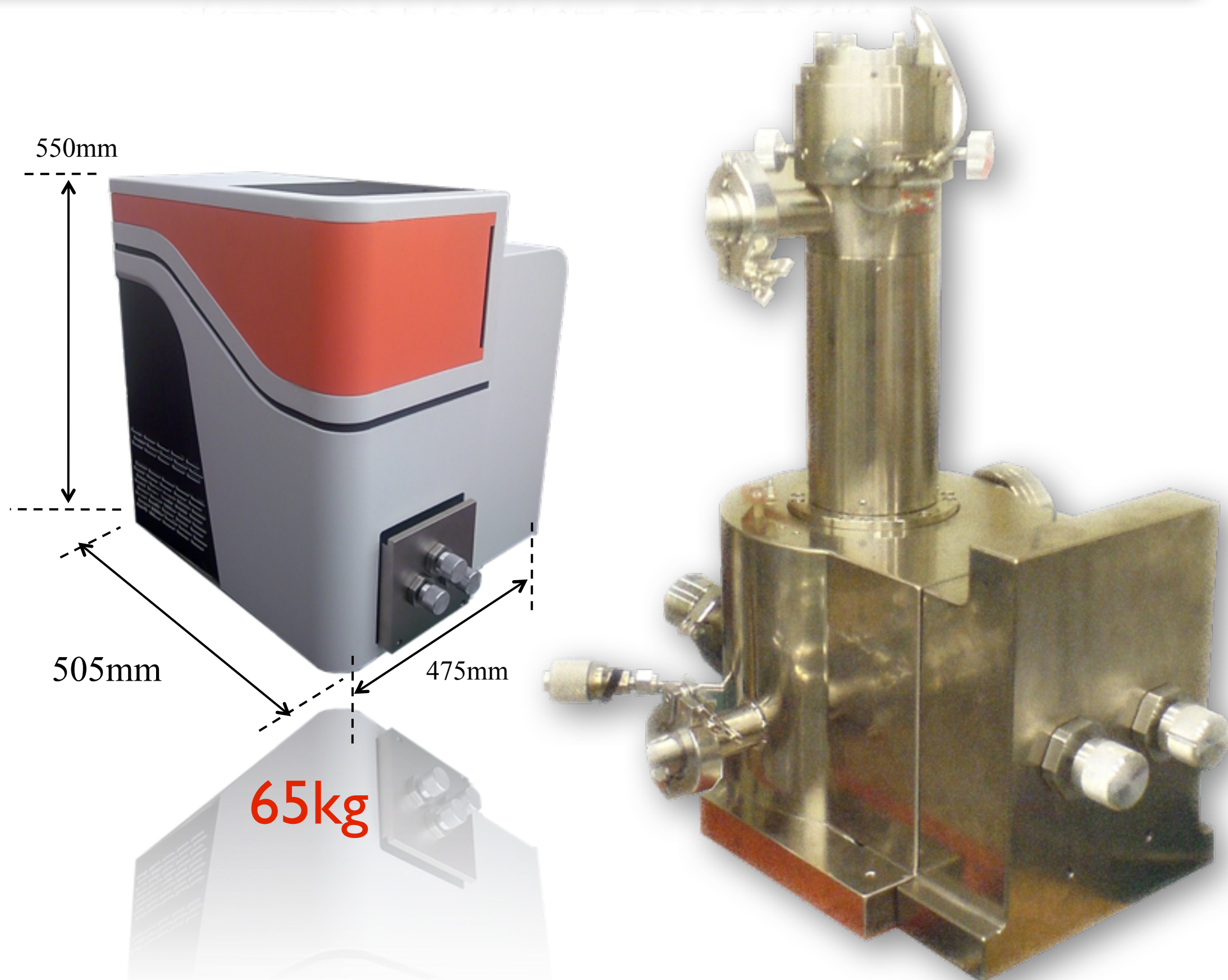
C. 散光(Astigmatism)



- 散光最主要的原因是磁場的不均勻性。當電子感到這不均勻性會被聚焦在光軸的不同位置(因為軟鐵不易加工的完美對稱)。
- Δf 是因散光而引起的焦距發散。
- 散光可很容易由散光器來補償
(最主要用於補償聚光鏡及物鏡)
- 散光器(Stigmator)是一個四極透鏡。



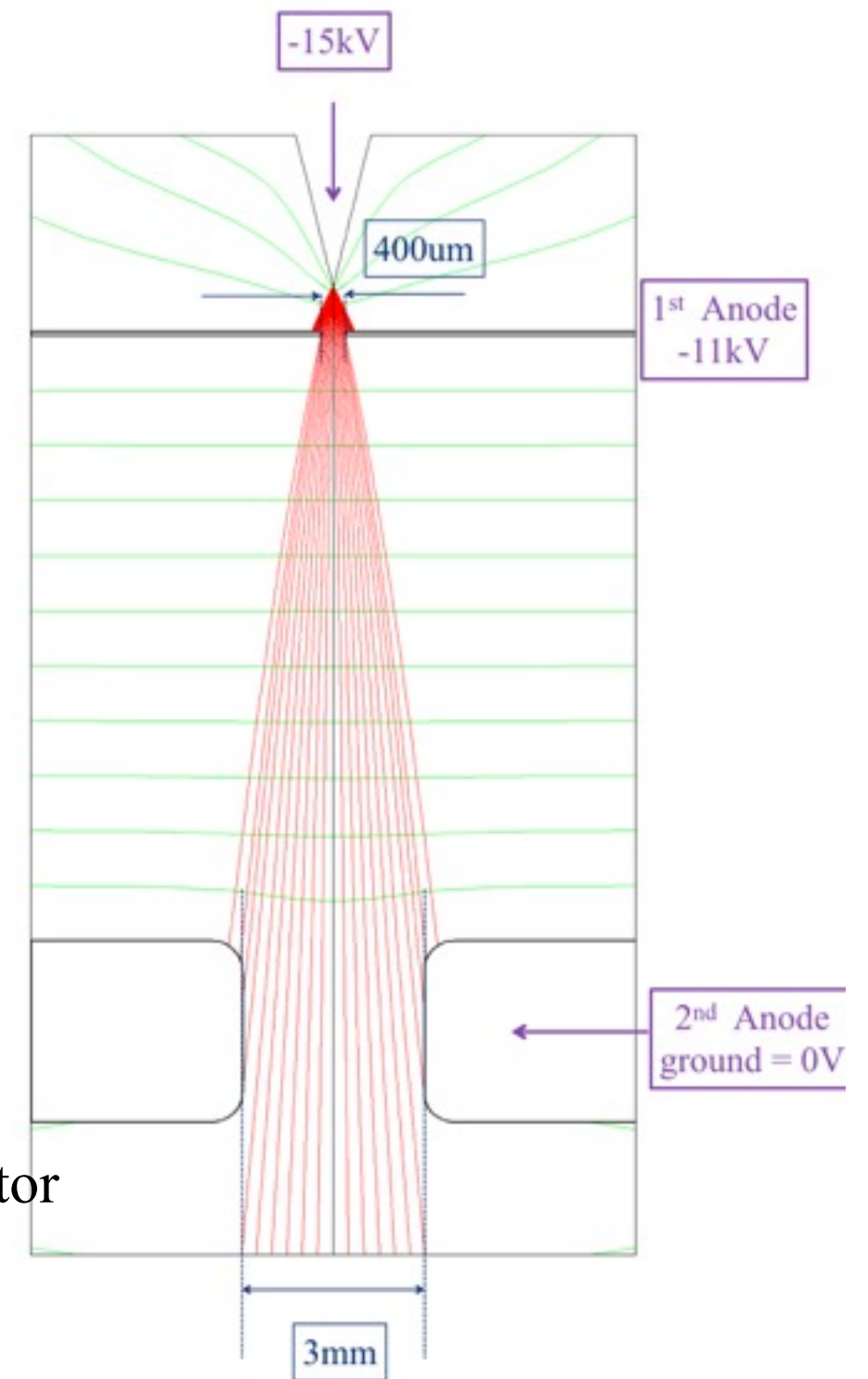
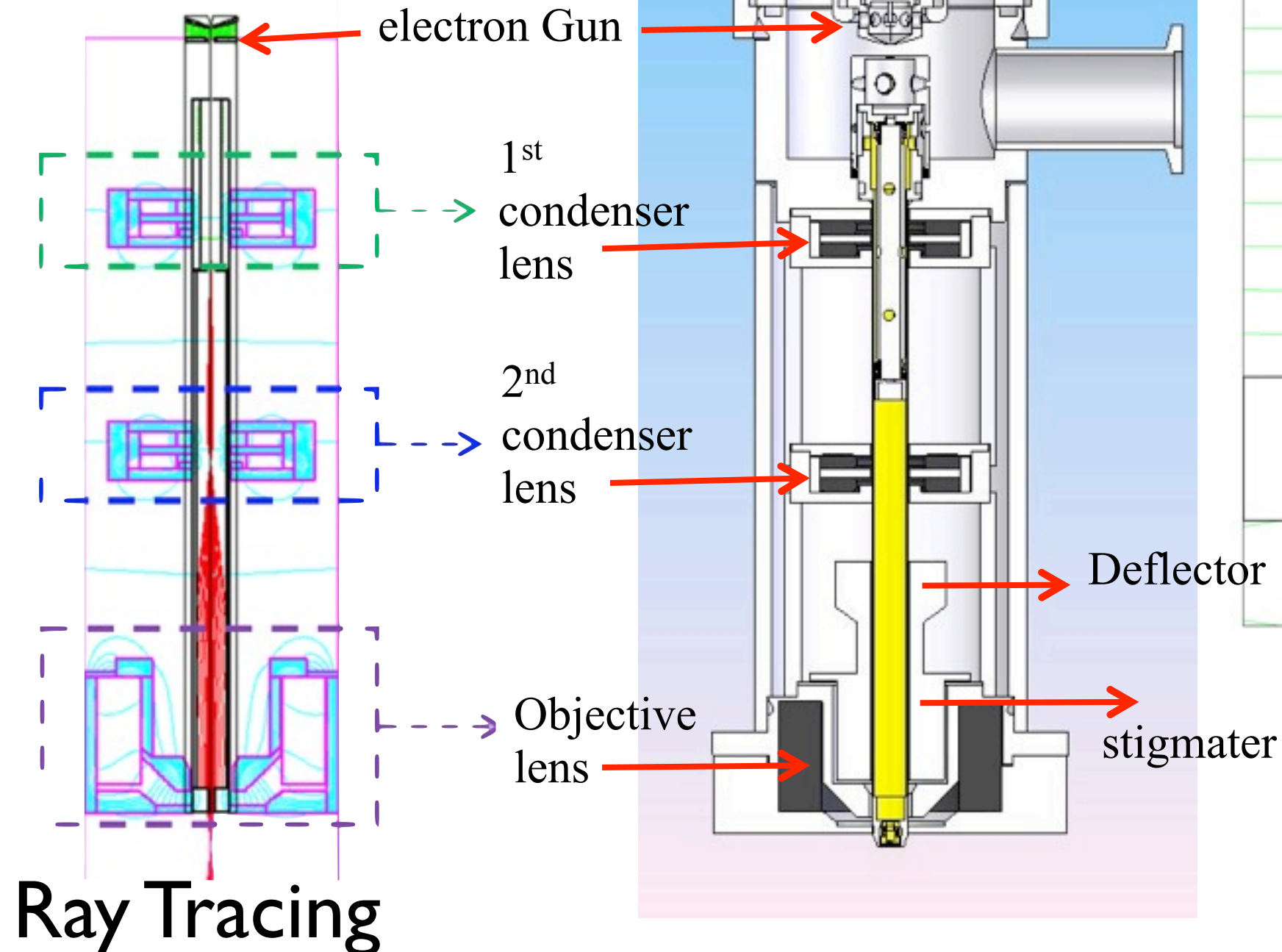
桌上型分析式掃描電鏡之技術



Established Technologies

Table Top SEM

- Electron Optics design
- E-gun: Thermionic/ FEG gun
- Lenses: Condenser/ Objective lenses
- Multipole: Deflector/ Stigmator
- control electronic boards/ software
- image acquisition
- BSED Detectors



Established Technologies

Control Electronics Boards



(a)



(b)

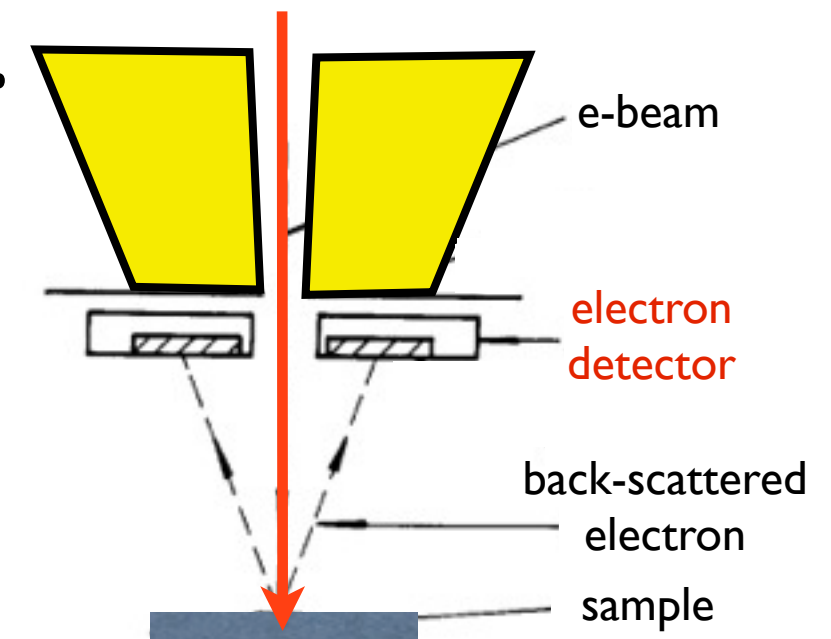
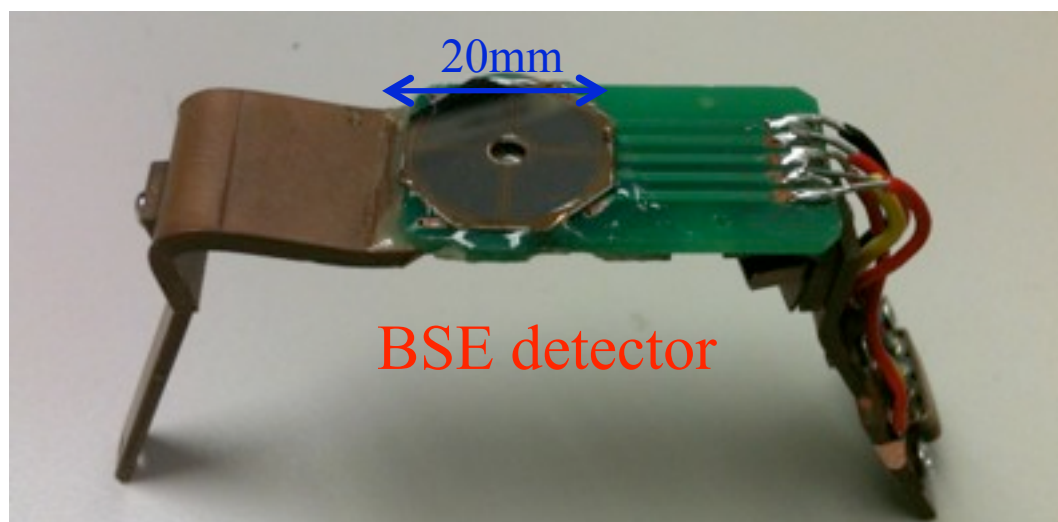


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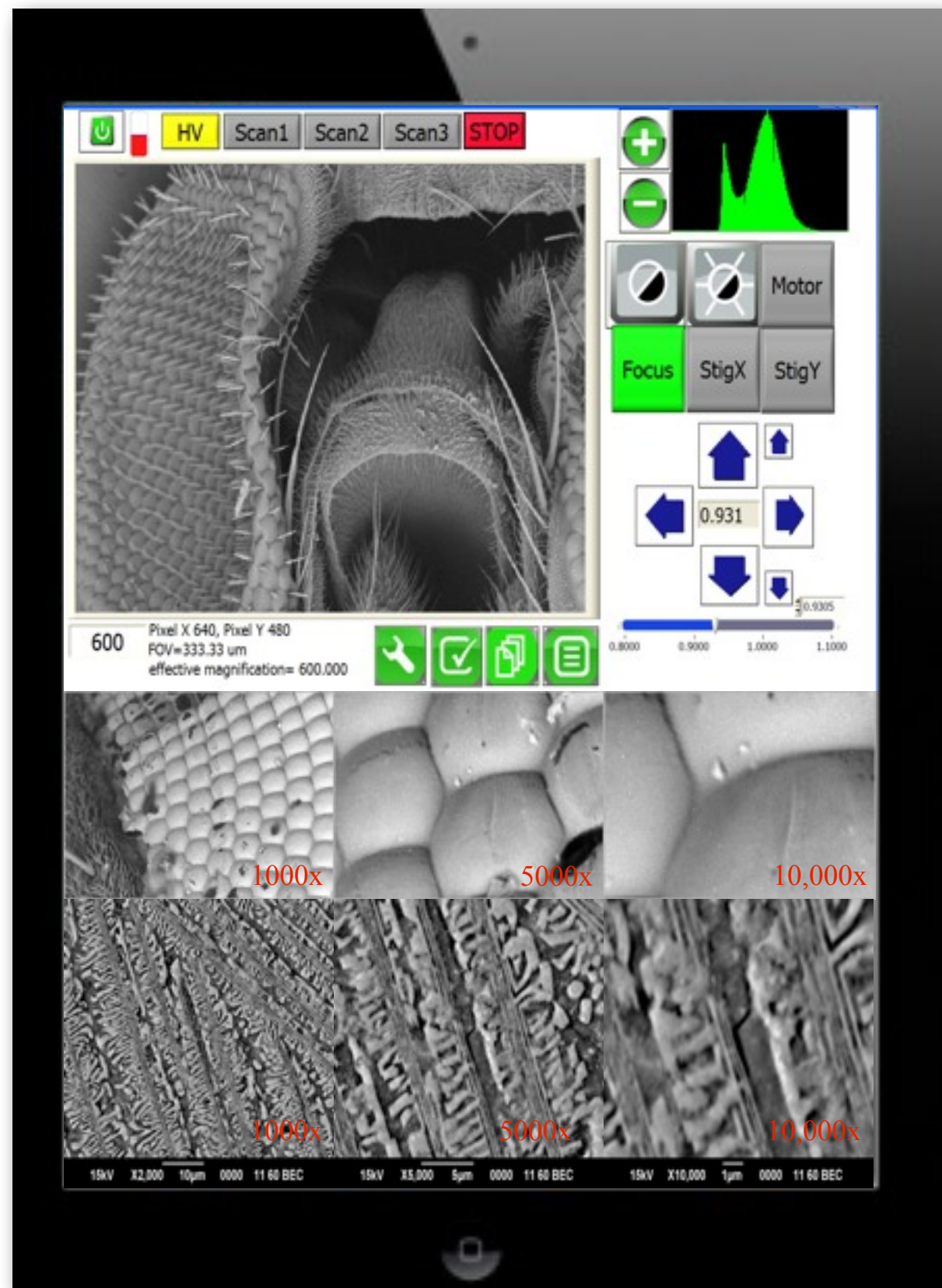
Voltage (gun)
vacuum (pump)
condenser lenses (spot size, resolution)
objective lenses (focus, magnification)
scanning (deflectors, magnification)

stigmatism (stigmators)
image acquisition (processing)
Auto-tuning and alignment (future)
. etc

Home Made Electron Detector



Control Software Panel



Voltage: 7, 15, 30keV
magnification: 30x-10,000x
resolution: 20nm
image size: 1280x960
scan time: 2.5sec

- * 3 minutes from Air to Ready
- * Fully automatic control

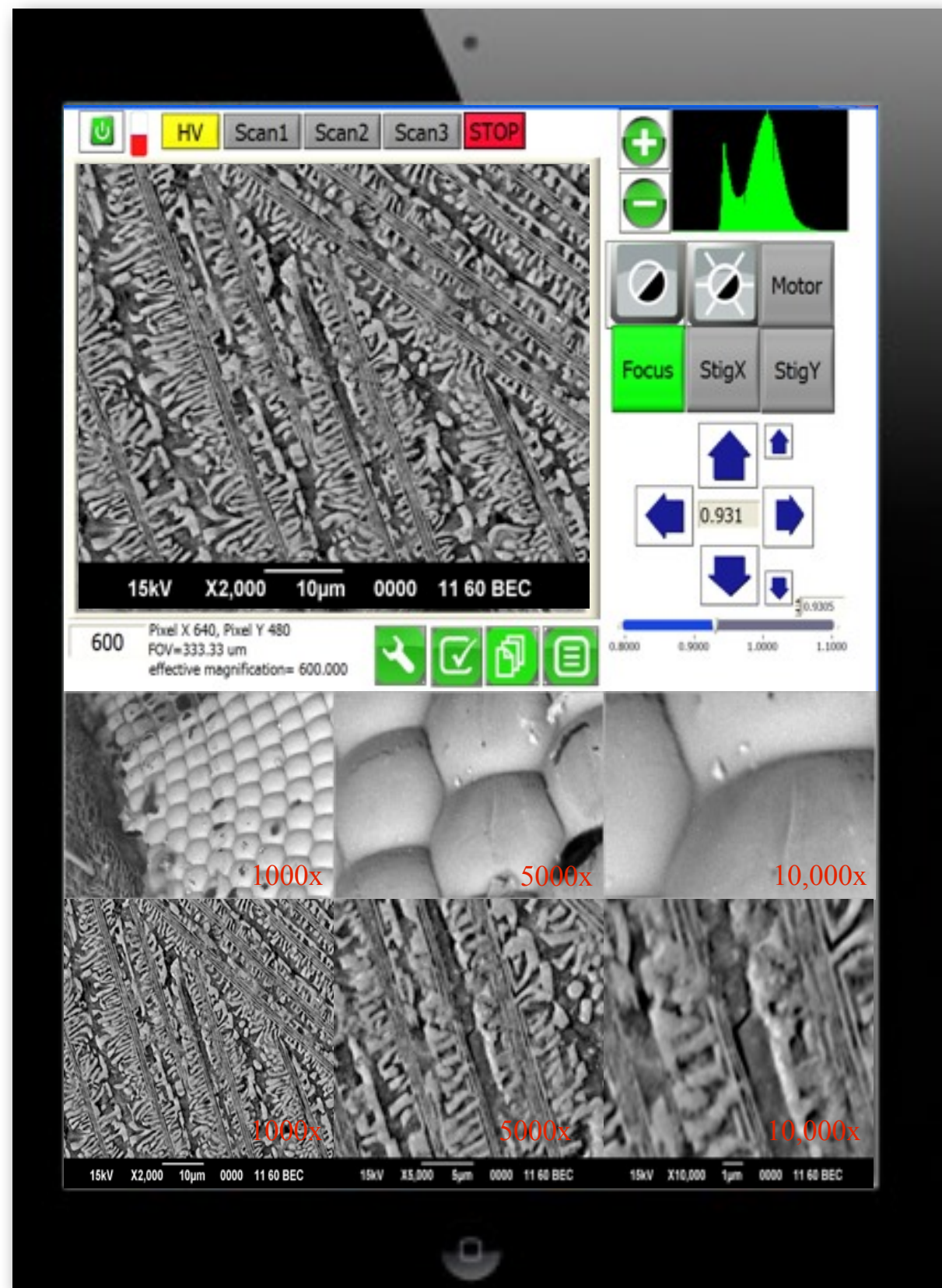
fly

Al-Ag



Cr₂O₃ NW

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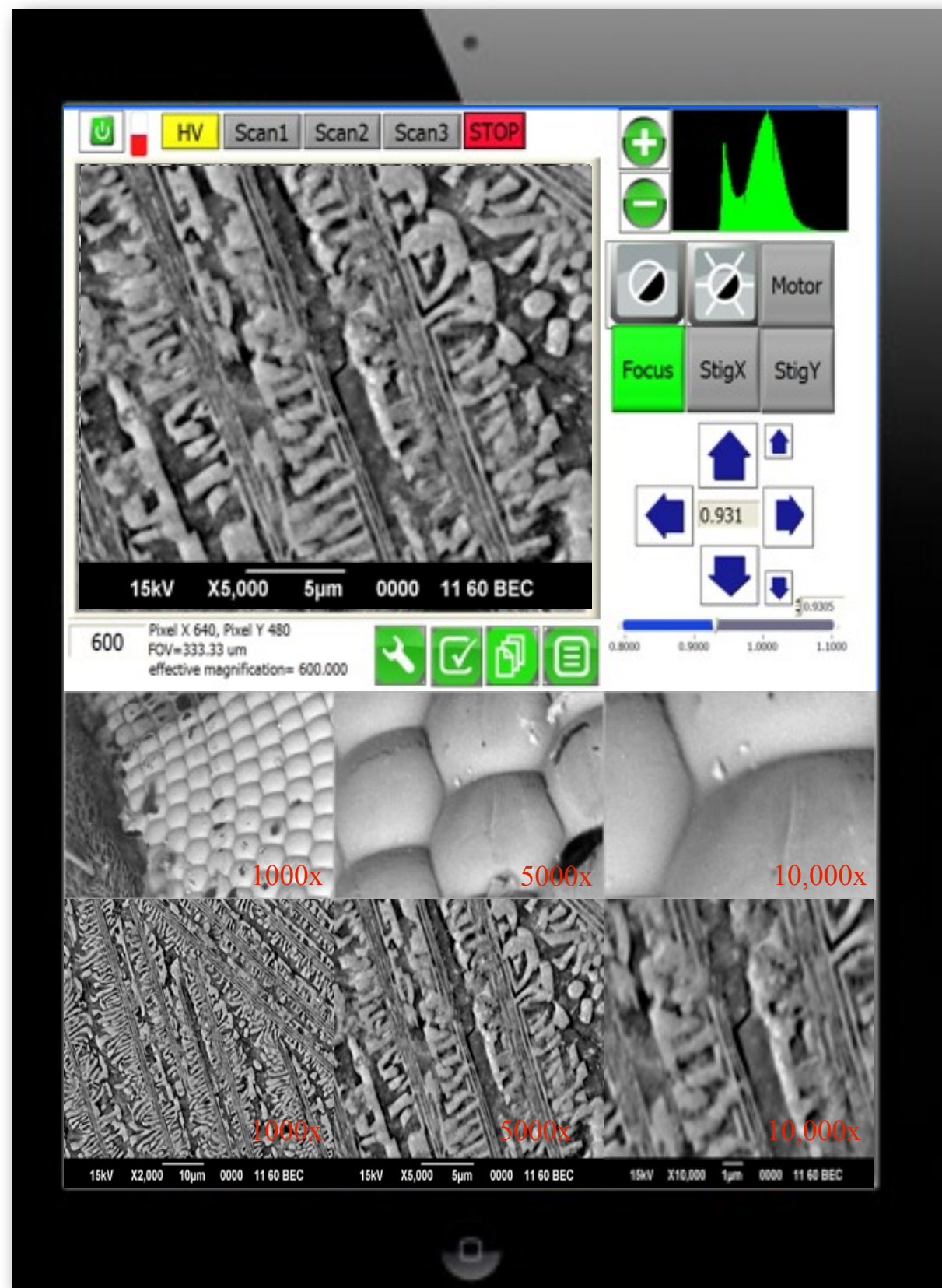
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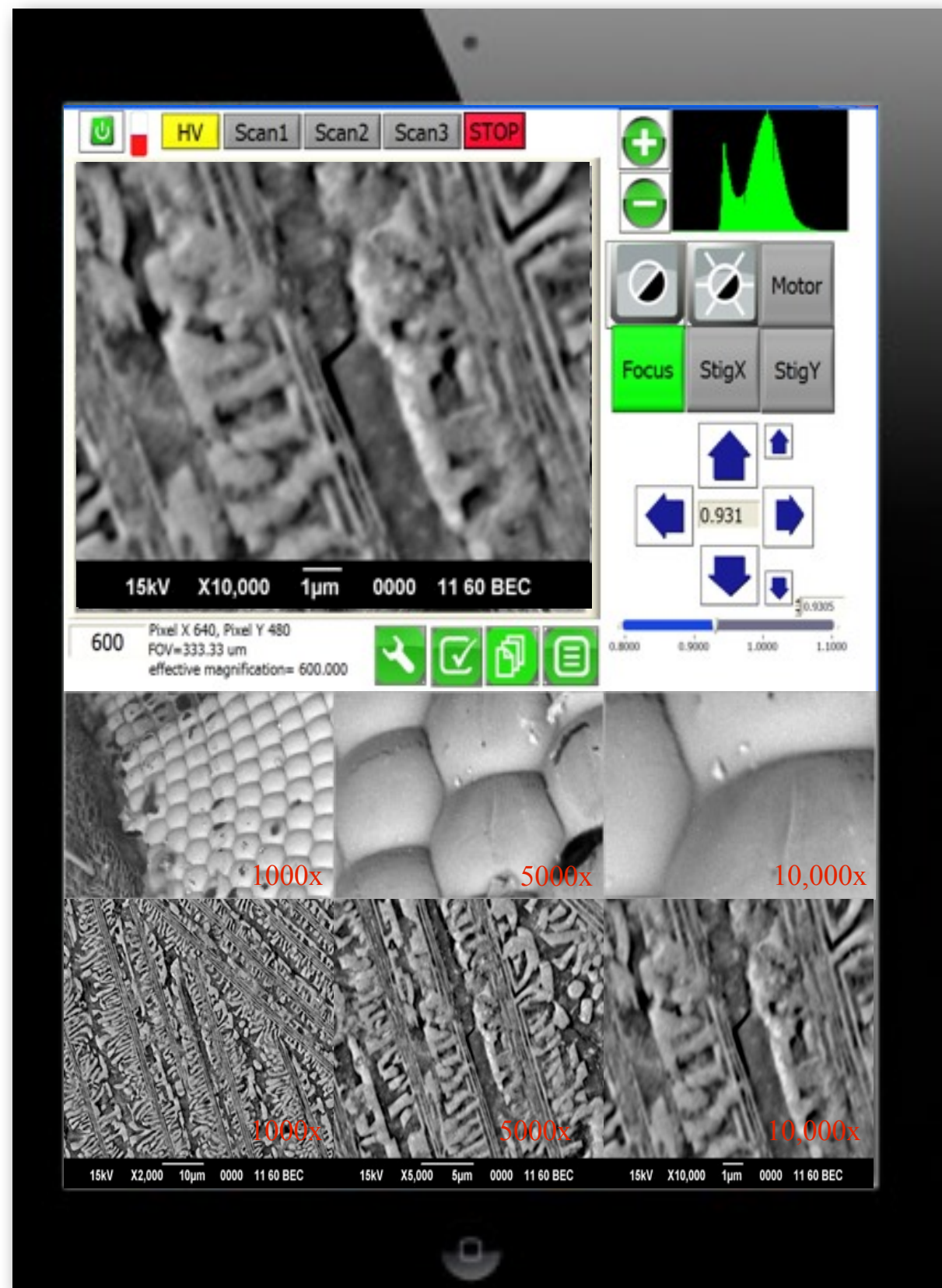
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