NANO 703/703L Exam 1 - Study Guide

Chap. 1: The TEM

-Units and unit conversion: length, angle, solid angle

-Small -angle approximation

-Relativistic electron wavelength

Chap. 2: Scattering and Diffraction

-Terminology: elastic/inelastic, coherent/incoherent, forward/back scattering

-Scattering cross-section (units), mean free path

-Two-slit interference, diffraction from single slit, Rayleigh criterion

-Convergence & collection angles

Chap. 3: Elastic Scattering

-Wave parameters: amplitude, phase, wavelength, frequency, velocity, wave number, wave vector

-Complex exponential form of a wave, finding magnitude squared (intensity)

-Atomic scattering amplitude (form factor), nature of the interaction of electrons with atomic matter

-Weak-phase-object approximation, structure factor, Bragg law

Chap. 4: Inelastic Scattering

-Inelastic scattering processes: collective excitations, X-ray emission, secondary electrons, excitons,...

-Effects of ionization: characteristic X-ray emission, Auger electron emission

-Bremstrahlung: braking radiation

Chap. 5: Electron Sources

-Thermionic and field-emission types

-Brightness definition, conservation of brightness

Chap. 6: Lenses, Apertures, and Resolution

-Lens equation

-Lateral and angular magnification

-Depths of field and focus

-Spherical aberration, effect on focal length, effect on image resolution

-Factors affecting practical resolution

-Operating principles of a magnetic electron lens, axially symmetric B-field, Lorentz force

Chap. 8: Pumps and Gauges (& Holders)
-Vacuum terminology: LV, HV, UHV
-Pumps: Mechanical rotary; oil diffusion, turbomolecular, ion getter
-Gauges: Pirani (thermal), Penning (ion)
-Specimen loading, tilt axes

Chap. 9: The Instrument

-Condenser system, lateral demagnification
-Influences of C1, C2, and C3 on probe size; influence of CA on convergence angle
-Deflection lenses: beam tilt and shift
-Lens planes, back focal plane vs. image plane
-Imaging modes: bright-field, off-axis dark-field, centered dark-field

Chap. 11: Diffraction in TEM

-Direct lattice, reciprocal lattice

-Miller indices, interplanar spacing, \mathbf{g} vector

-Selected-area diffraction

Significant figures and round off

-Reasonable number of significant figures based on information available -Rules for rounding off

Lab 1: TEM Magnification Calibration
Lab 2: TEM Diffraction Calibration
Lab 3: TEM Analysis of Nanoparticles
Lab 4: TEM Analysis of Carbon Nanotubes
Lab 5: Individual TEM