

# What is TEM?

stands for Transmission Electron (Microscope/Microscopy)

Q: Why use electrons instead of light for imaging nanomaterials?

A: 1) Shorter wavelength ( $\lambda$ )

⇒ Higher resolution

2) Wavelength determined by voltage

⇒ Variable & (nearly) monochromatic

3) Small probe sizes

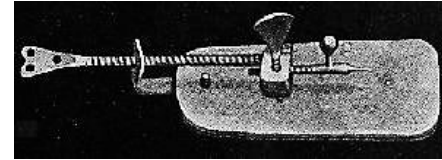
⇒ Study extremely small volumes/isolated phases

4) Interaction with core electrons

⇒ Chemical sensitivity/detection

# Brief History of Microscopy & Diffraction (I)

van Leeuwenhoek, Hooke (1670s)  
⇒ 1st simple optical microscopes



van Leeuwenhoek's microscope

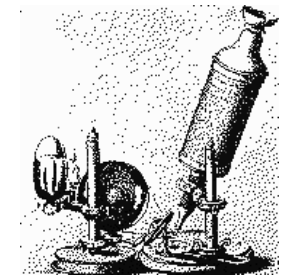


Antony van Leeuwenhoek

Airy, Rayleigh, Abbe (mid-late 1800s)  
⇒ Resolution of optical microscopes  $\sim \lambda$



Lord Rayleigh (John William Strutt)



Hooke's microscope

J. J. Thomson (ca. 1905)  
⇒ Discovered electron, measured  $e/m$



Joseph John Thomson

von Laue, Braggs (ca. 1914)  
⇒ Discovered/explained x-ray diffraction



Max von Laue

# Brief History of Microscopy & Diffraction (II)

de Broglie (1920s)

⇒ Proposed matter waves (wave/particle duality)



Prince Louis-Victor Pierre Raymond de Broglie

G. P. Thomson, Davisson & Germer (1920s)

⇒ Observed electron diffraction

Bethe (1920s)

⇒ Theory of dynamical electron diffraction



Ernst Ruska

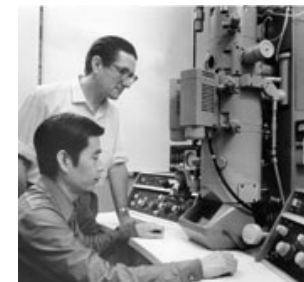
Busch, Ruska, Knoll, Rudenberg (1930s)

⇒ Short, current-carrying coil acts as an electron lens  
and produced 1st electron microscope images

J. Cowley, A. Howie, J. C. H. Spence, K. Tanaka,

P. B. Hirsch, J. Gjønnes (1970s and later)

⇒ Modern electron microscopy techniques and theory



John Cowley and Sumio Iijima

# Electron Microscopy Facilities

## *National Labs:*

Argonne National Laboratory, Electron Microscopy Center

<http://www.anl.gov/cnm/group/electron-microscopy-center/>

Brookhaven National Laboratory, Center for Functional Nanomaterials

<https://www.bnl.gov/cfn/facilities/microscopy.php>

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, National Center for Electron Microscopy

<http://foundry.lbl.gov/facilities/ncem/>

## *Universities:*

Arizona State University, John M. Cowley Center for High Resolution Electron Microscopy

[https://asu.corefacilities.org/service\\_center/show\\_external/3195/  
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Lehigh University, Center for Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology

[http://www.lehigh.edu/nano/emf\\_facility.html](http://www.lehigh.edu/nano/emf_facility.html)

University of Colorado, Boulder Laboratory for 3-D Electron Microscopy of Cells

<http://bio3d.colorado.edu/>

# TEM Models for Materials Science:

Hitachi HF-3300



<http://www.hitachi-hta.com/>

FEI Titan Themis<sup>3</sup> 300



<http://www.fei.com/>

Zeiss Libra 200FE-EFTEM



<http://www.smt.zeiss.com/>

JEOL JEM-ARM200F



<http://www.jeol.com/>

# Evolution of Commercial TEMs



Permanent magnet TEM



Analog controls  
Film plates



Digital controls  
Digital camera  
High vacuum  
High voltage

# Imaging and Presentation Software

Product	Acquiring & Measuring	Processing	Annotating
Digital Micrograph <sup>^</sup>	√	√	√
ImageJ <sup>*</sup>	√	√	
Photoshop/GIMP <sup>#</sup>		√	√
Illustrator/Inkscape <sup>◇</sup>			√

free downloads:

<sup>^</sup><http://www.gatan.com/resources/scripting/demo/index.php>

<sup>\*</sup><http://rsb.info.nih.gov/ij/>

<sup>#</sup><http://www.gimp.org/>

<sup>◇</sup><http://www.inkscape.org>

# Higher Voltage/Energy

## Advantages

higher resolution (wavelength)  
less image distortion (aberrations)  
greater penetration (thick specimen)  
brighter beam  
shorter wavelength (diffraction)  
less beam damage

## Disadvantages

lower resolution (interaction volume)  
more expensive  
lower contrast  
bigger/taller column  
shorter wavelength (dark-field)  
more unwanted radiation  
higher vacuum needed

Note: Increasing voltage beyond ~200 KV does not significantly increase resolution.

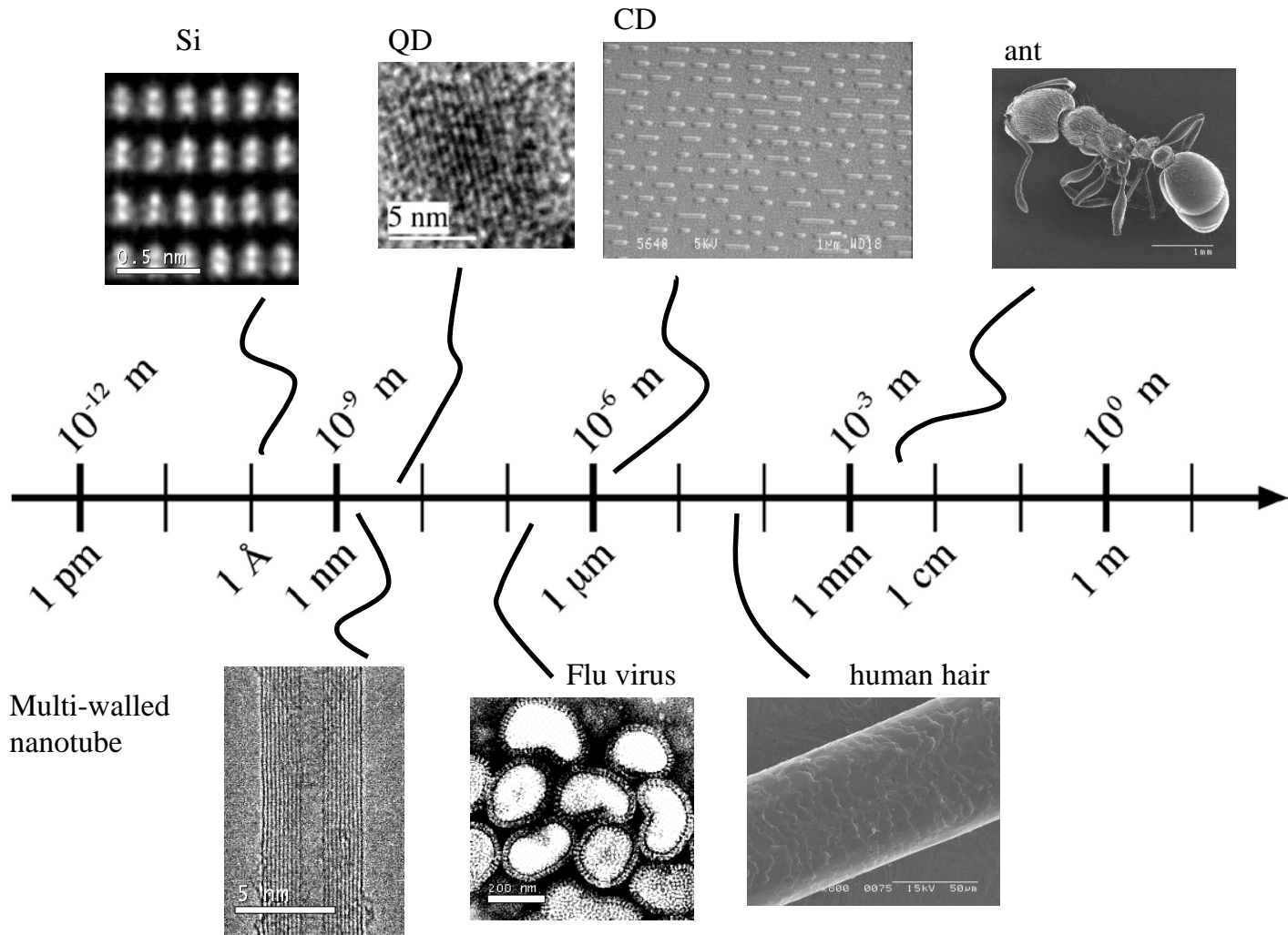
## Higher Voltage TEMs

HVEM: High-Voltage Electron Microscope (1-3 MV)

IVEM: Intermediate-Voltage Electron Microscope (200-400 KV)



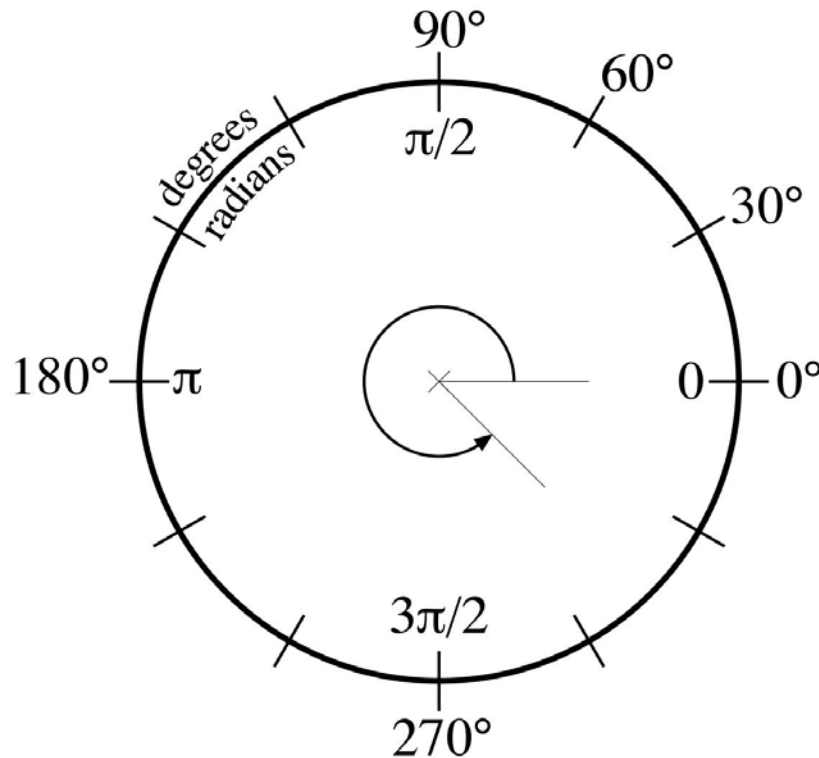
# Units: *Length*



# Units: *Angle*

Degrees: ° or deg

Radians: rad (dimensionless)



$$\angle_{\text{rad}} = \frac{\text{arc length}}{\text{radius}}$$

$$\pi = 3.14159\dots$$

$$360^\circ = 2\pi \text{ rad}$$

Conversion:

$$1 = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi \text{ rad}} = 57.3 \frac{\text{deg}}{\text{rad}}$$

# Small-Angle Approximation

$$\sin\theta \approx \theta \text{ (in rad)}$$

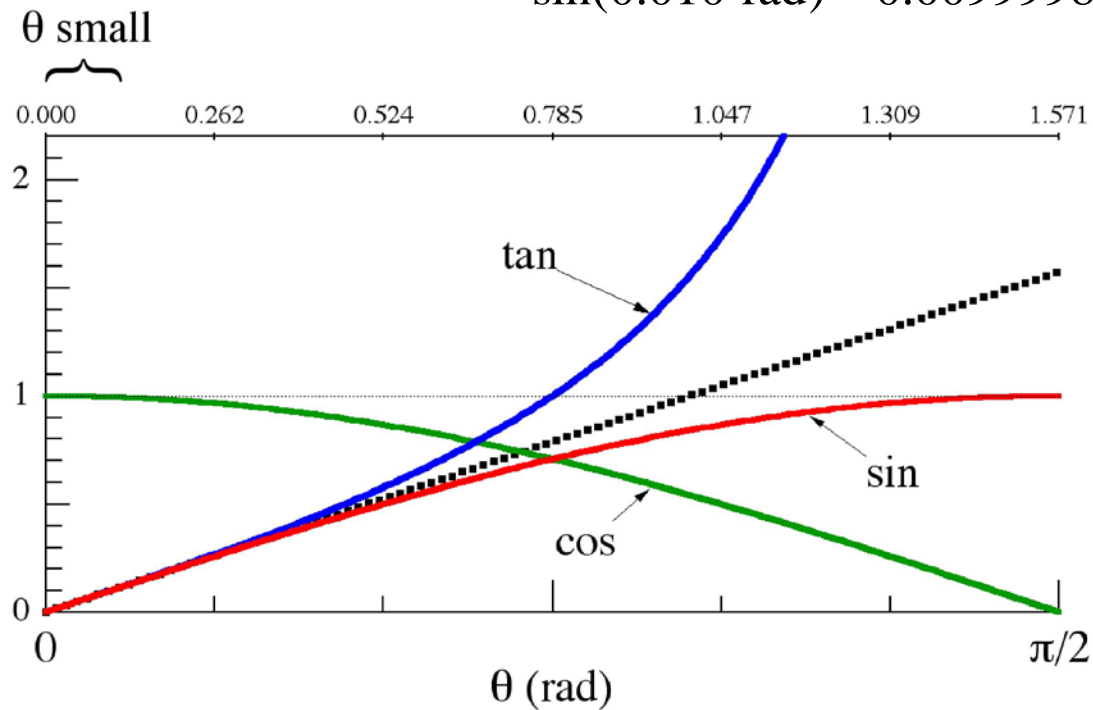
$$\cos\theta \approx 1$$

$$\tan\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \approx \theta \text{ (in rad)}$$

“Typical” small angle:

$$0.5^\circ = 0.0087 \text{ rad} \approx 10 \text{ mrad}$$

$$\sin(0.010 \text{ rad}) = 0.0099998\dots$$



# Physical Constants

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quantity	symbol	value
elementary charge	$e$	$e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
speed of light	$c$	$c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
Planck's constant	$h$	$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$
electron rest mass	$m_0$	$m_0 = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$

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# More Physical Units

unit	symbol	definition
newton	N	1 N = 1 kg·m/s <sup>2</sup>
joule	J	1 J = 1 N·m
volt	V	1 V = 1 J/C
ampere	A	1 A = 1 C/s
electron volt	eV	1 eV = 1.602 × 10 <sup>-19</sup> J

Shortcuts to physical constants:

$$hc = 1240 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm} = 1.24 \text{ KeV} \cdot \text{nm}$$

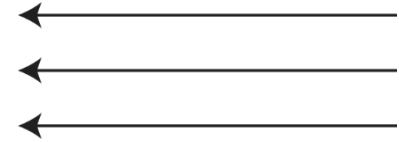
$$m_0c^2 = 511 \text{ KeV}$$

# Electric Potential

Electric Field:  $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}\Phi$

In 1-D:  $E_z = -\frac{d\Phi}{dz}$

lower potential      higher potential



$\vec{E}$

Electric Potential:  $\Phi(z) = \Phi(0) - \int_{z'=0}^z \epsilon_z \cdot dz'$

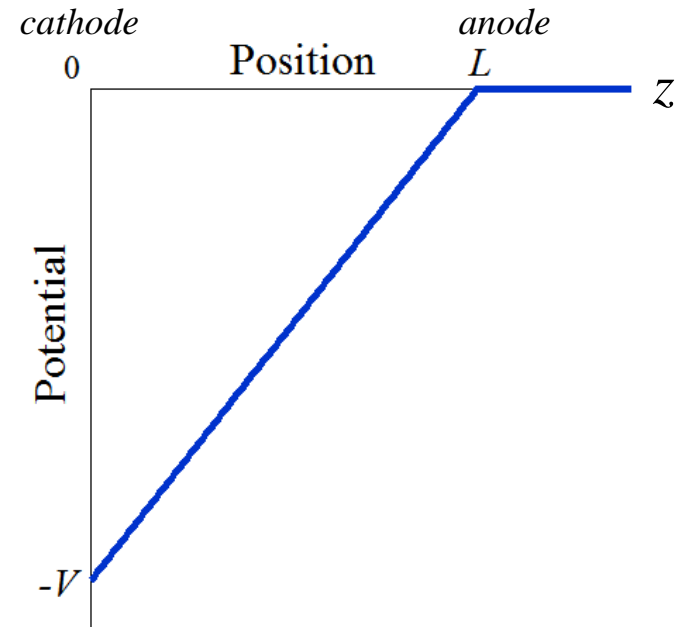
Pick:  $\Phi(L) = 0$  (ground)

Define:  $\Phi(0) = -V$

Simple Case: uniform field

$$E_z = -\frac{V}{L}$$

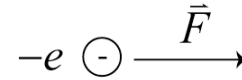
$$\Phi(z) = -V \cdot \left(1 - \frac{z}{L}\right)$$



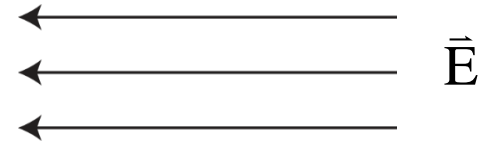
# Potential Energy

Force:  $\vec{F} = q\vec{E}$

$q = -e$



Electron, 1-D:  $F_z = -e \cdot \left(-\frac{V}{L}\right) = \frac{eV}{L}$



Work done:  $W = -\int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = -\int_{z'=L}^0 F_z \cdot dz' = eV$

Potential Energy:

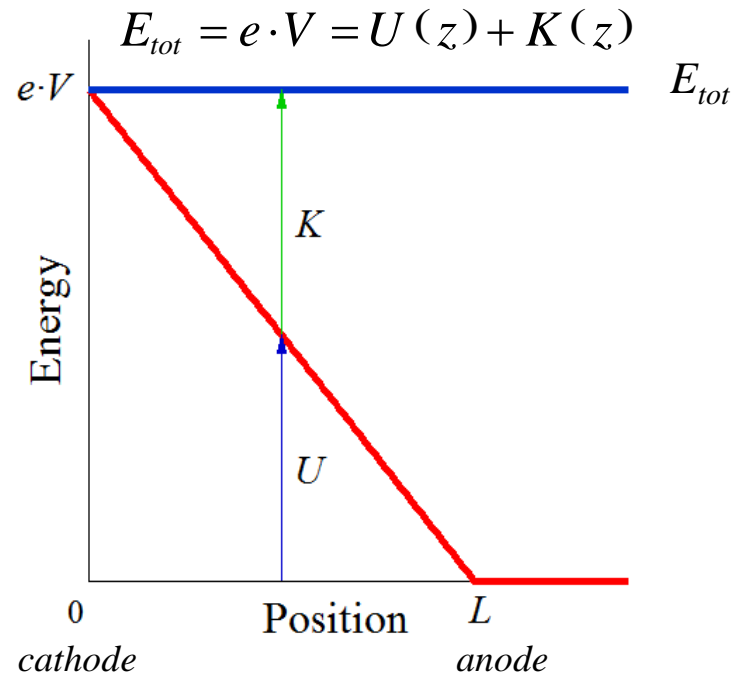
$W = U(0) - U(L)$

$U(L) = 0$  (ground)

$\Rightarrow U(0) = eV$

Total energy conserved.

$U(0) \rightarrow K(L)$



# De Broglie Wavelength

$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

//momentum

particle property

wave property

The diagram illustrates the De Broglie equation  $p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$ . The variable  $p$  is identified as momentum, indicated by the text "//momentum" to its right. An arrow points from the text "particle property" at the bottom left to the variable  $p$ . Another arrow points from the text "wave property" at the bottom right to the variable  $\lambda$  in the denominator of the fraction.



# Electron Wavelength (I)

$$mc^2 = E + m_0c^2$$

↑
↑
↙  
 relativistic mass      kinetic energy      rest mass

//relativistic mass-energy

$$m = \gamma m_0$$

$$\gamma = 1 / \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}$$

//from relativity

$$mc^2 = \sqrt{(m_0c^2)^2 + (pc)^2}$$

←  
 momentum

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{hc}{pc} = \frac{hc}{\sqrt{(E + m_0c^2)^2 - (m_0c^2)^2}}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{\sqrt{E \cdot (E + 2m_0c^2)}}$$

//wavelength

# Non-Relativistic Electron Wavelength

If

$$E \ll 2m_0c^2$$

$$E + 2m_0c^2 \approx 2m_0c^2$$

$$\lambda \approx \frac{hc}{\sqrt{E \cdot (2m_0c^2)}} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2m_0E}} = \lambda_{nr}$$

**Use relativistic form in this class!**

# Comparison

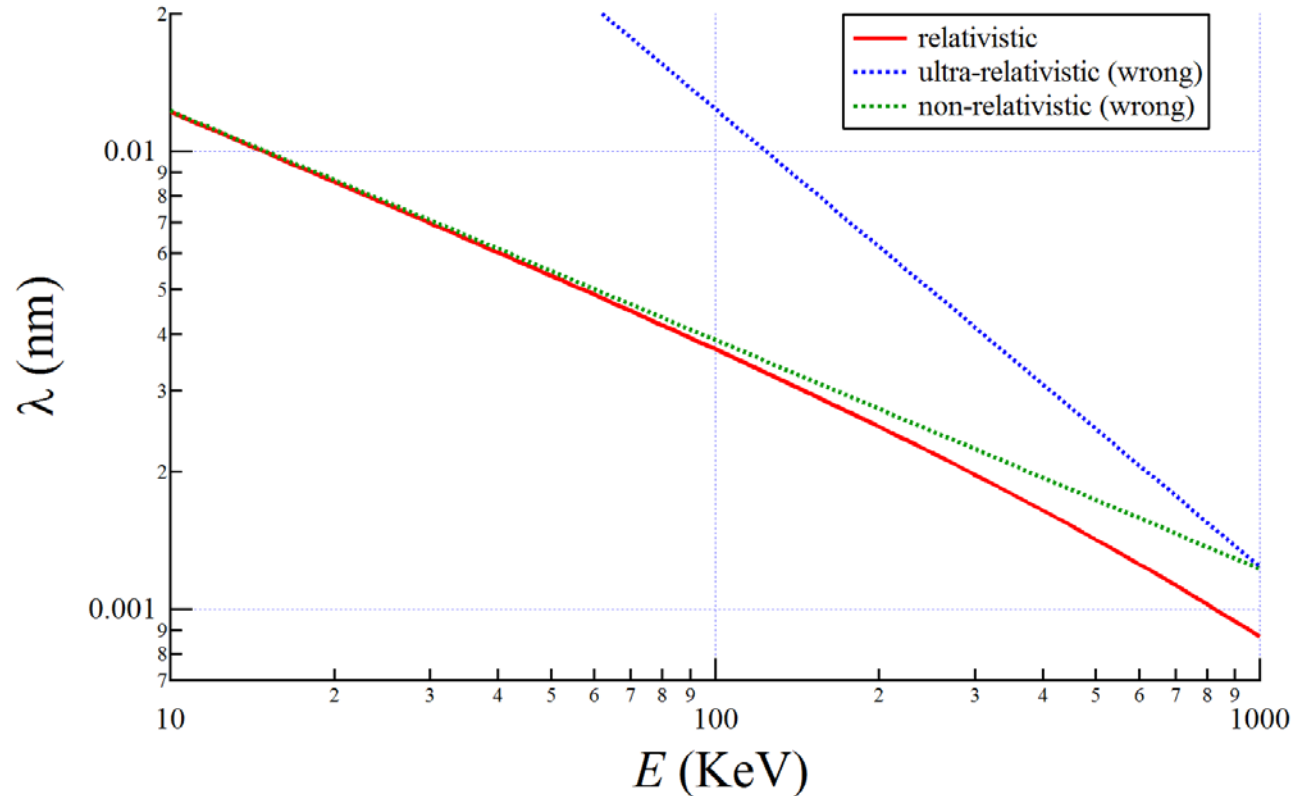
Rewrite: 
$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_{nr}}{\sqrt{1 + \left( \frac{E}{2m_0c^2} \right)^2}}$$
 (Note:  $\lambda < \lambda_{nr}$ )

Or:

where: 
$$E_{nr} \equiv \left( \frac{m + m_0}{2m} \right) \cdot E$$
 //sometimes useful

Note: It always holds that  $m \geq m_0$   $E_{nr} \leq E$

# Wavelength vs. Energy



$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{\sqrt{E \cdot (E + 2m_0c^2)}} \quad //\text{relativistic}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{E} \quad //\text{ultra-relativistic (i.e., light)}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2mE}} \quad //\text{non-relativistic}$$

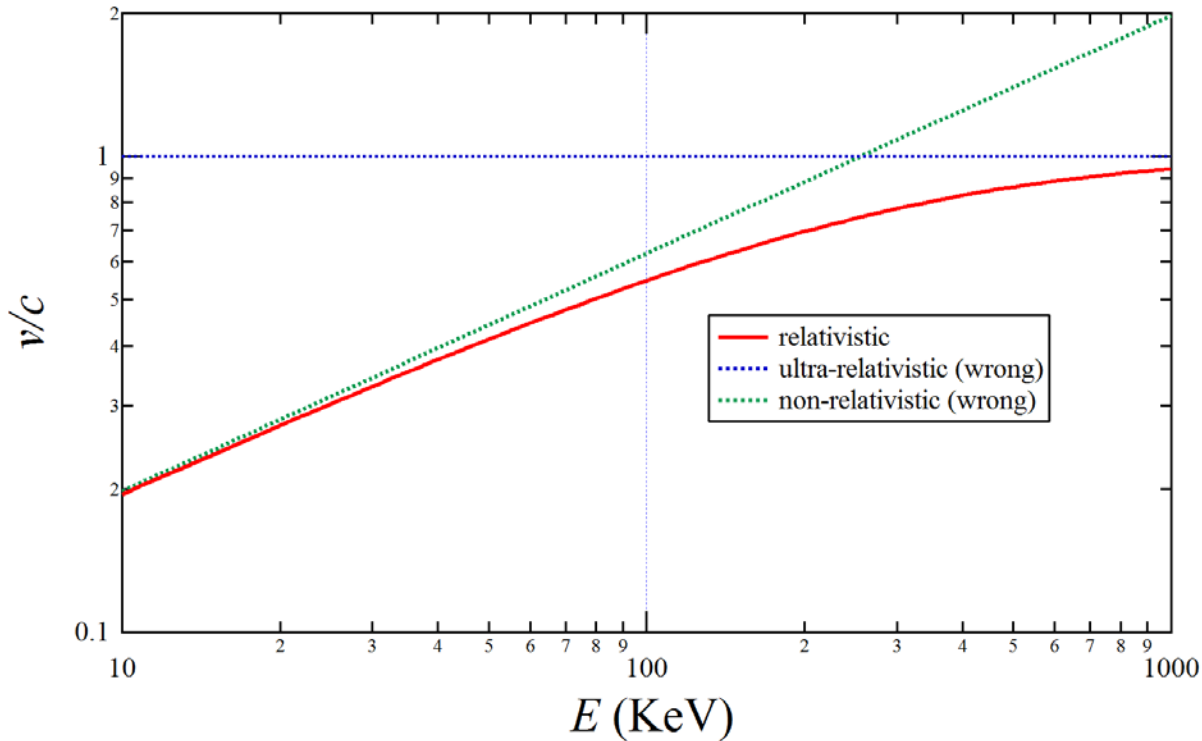
# Find Velocity

$$p = mv$$

$$\frac{v}{c} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{E}{m_0 c^2}\right)^2}}$$

If  $E \ll 2m_0 c^2$        $\frac{v}{c} \approx \frac{v_{nr}}{c} = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m_0 c^2}}$       //non-relativistic

# Velocity vs. Energy



$$v/c = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\left(1 + E/m_0c^2\right)^2}} \quad //\text{relativistic}$$

$$v/c = 1 \quad //\text{ultra-relativistic (i.e., light)}$$

$$v/c = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m_0c^2}} \quad //\text{non-relativistic}$$

# Group vs. Phase Velocity

$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{\sqrt{E \cdot (E + 2m_0c^2)}} = \frac{hc}{\sqrt{E_{tot}^2 - (m_0c^2)^2}}$$

$$E + m_0c^2 = hf \quad //\text{photoelectric effect}$$

$$f = \frac{E + m_0c^2}{h} //\text{frequency}$$

$$v_p = \lambda f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{m_0c^2}{E + m_0c^2}\right)^2}} \cdot c \quad //\text{phase velocity}$$

$$v_p/c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{(1 + E/m_0c^2)^2}}} = \frac{c}{v} \quad v_p > c!$$

← group velocity