

All of the material has been covered in lectures.

A1 Dish  $\Theta \sim \lambda/D$   $d\Omega \approx \pi \left(\frac{\lambda}{2D}\right)^2$  [1]

$$\text{Gain} = \frac{4\pi}{d\Omega} = \frac{4\pi}{\pi} \left(\frac{2D}{\lambda}\right)^2 = 4 \cdot 4 \cdot \left(\frac{D}{\lambda}\right)^2$$
 [1]

$$= 16 \cdot \left(\frac{20}{0.01}\right)^2 = 16 \cdot 2000^2 = 6.4 \times 10^7$$
 [1]

A2 Source counts in time  $\tau$ ,  $S = N_s \cdot \tau \delta\omega$  [1/2]

Background " " " "  $B = N_B \tau \delta\omega$  [1/2]

$$S/N = \frac{S}{\sqrt{S+B}} = \frac{N_s \tau \delta\omega}{\sqrt{(N_s+N_B) \tau \delta\omega}} = \frac{N_s}{\sqrt{N_s+N_B}} (\tau \delta\omega)^{1/2}$$
 [1]

Here  $N_s = 1$   $N_B = 500 \times 0.2 = 100$ ,  $\delta\omega = 10^4$   $\tau = 10$  [1/2]

$$\therefore S/N = \frac{1}{(101)^{1/2}} \cdot 10^2 \cdot 10^{0.5} = 31.5$$
 [1/2]

A3  $\lambda_{\text{max}} T = \text{const} = 2.7 \times 1.1 \times 10^{-3}$  (mmK)

For Saturn  $T = 95$   $\therefore \lambda_{\text{max}} = \frac{2.7 \times 1.1 \times 10^{-3}}{95} = 3.13 \times 10^{-5}$  m

(ie  $31.3 \mu\text{m}$ ). [1]

A4  $\delta\omega = 2.8 \times 10^{10} \times 10^{-9} = 28$  Hz [1/2]

$$\frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \frac{3}{2} kT \quad \therefore v = \left(\frac{3kT}{m_p}\right)^{1/2} = \left(\frac{3 \cdot 1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot 100}{1.67 \cdot 10^{-27}}\right)^{1/2}$$

$$= 1575 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$
 [1]

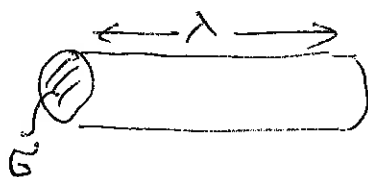
$$\frac{\delta\omega}{\nu} = \frac{v}{c} \quad \therefore \delta\nu = \nu \cdot \frac{v}{c} = \frac{c}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{v}{c} = \frac{v}{\lambda} = \frac{1575}{0.21}$$

$$= 7498 \text{ Hz}$$
 [1]

So no chance of distinguishing 28 Hz [1/2]

A5 Need time between collisions,  $\Delta t$ , to be less than lifetime,  $\tau$ . [1]

$$\Delta t = \frac{\text{mean free path, } \lambda}{v} \quad [1]$$



Need  $v\lambda n = 1$  i.e.  $\sigma \lambda n = 1$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n\sigma}$$

$$\therefore \Delta t = \frac{1}{n\sigma} \frac{1}{v}$$

$$\text{or } n = \frac{1}{\Delta t \sigma v} \quad \text{or } < \frac{1}{\tau \sigma v} \quad [1/2]$$

$$v = \left( \frac{3kT}{16m_p} \right)^{1/2} = \left( \frac{3 \cdot 1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot 2000}{16 \cdot 1.67 \cdot 10^{-27}} \right)^{1/2} = 1760 \quad [1]$$

$$\therefore n < \frac{1}{2.8 \cdot 10^4 \cdot \pi \cdot 10^{-20} \cdot 1760} \quad \text{i.e. } < 6.46 \cdot 10^{11} \quad [1/2]$$

A6 Angular momentum,  $L = n\hbar = m_e v b$  (note,  $e^-$ ) [1/2]

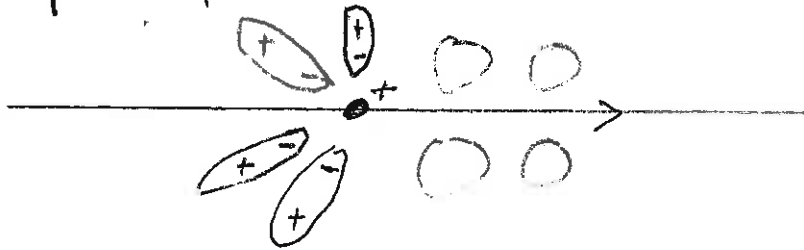
$$\text{min when } n=1 \quad \text{i.e. } b_{\min} = \frac{\hbar}{m_e v} \quad [1/2]$$

$$v = \left( \frac{3kT}{m_e} \right)^{1/2} = \left( \frac{3 \cdot 1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot 10^6}{9.1 \cdot 10^{-31}} \right)^{1/2} = 6.75 \cdot 10^6 \quad [1/2]$$

$$\therefore b_{\min} = \frac{1.05 \cdot 10^{-34}}{9.1 \cdot 10^{-31} \cdot 6.75 \cdot 10^6} = 1.7 \cdot 10^{-11} \quad [1/2]$$

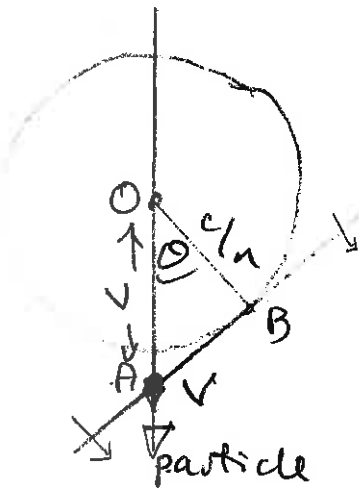
A7 TeV photon Compton scatters charged particles to velocity greater than local speed of light in atmosphere.

Surrounding atoms + molecules are polarised asymmetrically. ~~particles~~ <sup>Atoms</sup> in front don't know about the particle



[2]

When atoms relax they emit Cerenkov rad<sup>n</sup> (blue)



Particle emits light at O.

1 sec later light is at B, particle " " A.

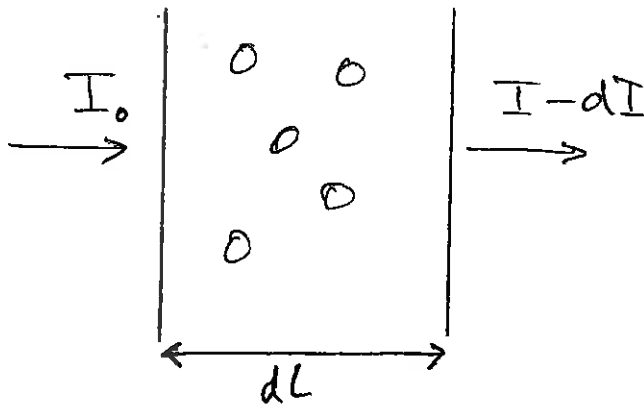
$$\frac{c/n}{v} = \cos \theta$$

$$\text{As } v \sim c \therefore \cos \theta \approx \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\therefore \text{Here } n = 1.0008 \therefore \theta = 2.3^\circ$$

[2]

B1 (a)



$$dI = -I n \sigma dL$$

$$\therefore \int_{I_0}^I \frac{dI}{I} = \int -n \sigma dL \quad \therefore I = I_0 e^{-n \sigma L} \quad [3]$$

$$n \sigma L = \tau - \text{optical depth} \quad [1]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Here } I_0 &= I e^{+n \sigma L} = 1 \cdot \exp(10^{22} \cdot 2 \cdot 10^5 \cdot 10^{-26} \cdot 5^{-8/3}) \\ &= 1 \cdot \exp(2.74 \cdot 10^{-2}) = \exp(0.274) \\ &= 1.31 \text{ counts/s.} \end{aligned} \quad [3]$$

b) Increase density, increase  $L$ , increase  $\tau$ , as long as  $\tau$  small ( $\lesssim 1$ ). At higher  $\tau$ , photons scatter before emerging and eventually, at very high  $\tau$ , all photons have multiple interactions and are in equilibrium with matter and we reach a maximum limiting luminosity. [2]

B1(b) cont.

The brightness temperature is the temperature of a black body which would produce the same flux, per unit bandwidth, as that which is observed, at the given bandwidth [1]

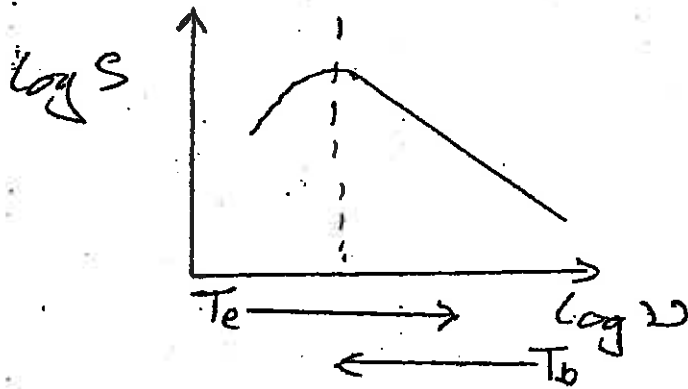
The effective temperature is the temperature of a black body with the same bolometric luminosity, and emitting area, as the observed source. [1]

$$S = \frac{2kT_b}{\lambda^2} \Omega \quad [1]$$

$$L = 1.5 \times 10^{26} = 4\pi \cdot (10^7)^2 \cdot 5.67 \cdot 10^{-8} \cdot (T_e)^4$$

$$\therefore T_e^4 = 2.10 \times 10^{18} \quad \therefore T_e = 38,000 \text{ K} \quad [2]$$

B1 c)



For typical <sup>sync</sup> spectrum,  $T_b$  rises as  $\nu$  decreases, but  $T_e$  falls.  $T_b$  cannot exceed  $T_e$  so below  $\nu_{\text{sync}}$  where  $T_e = T_b$ , source becomes self-absorbed [2]

$$kT_e \sim \delta m_e c^2 \sim \left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_g}\right)^{1/2} m_e c^2 \sim \nu^{1/2} \left(\frac{eB}{2\pi m}\right)^{-1/2} m_e c^2$$

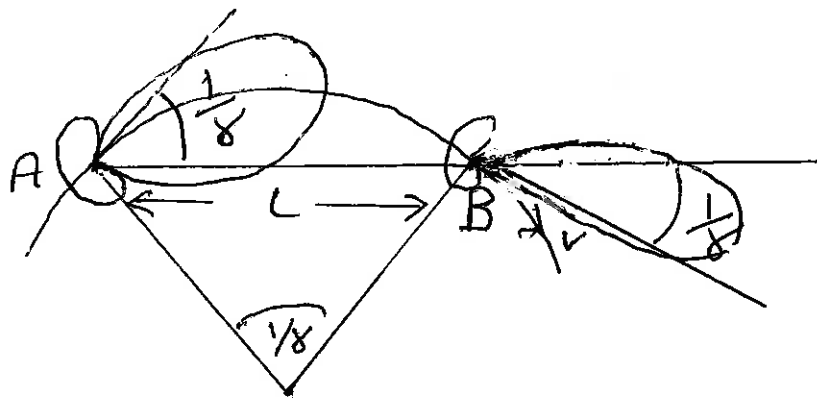
$$\therefore T_e = \nu^{1/2} B^{-1/2} \left(\frac{2\pi m_e}{e}\right)^{1/2} \frac{m_e c^2}{k}$$

Putting  $T_e = T_b$  then

$$\nu^{1/2} B^{-1/2} \left(\frac{2\pi}{e}\right)^{1/2} \frac{m_e^{3/2} c^2}{k} = T_b = \frac{S}{2k\nu^2 \Omega}$$

$$\therefore S = \nu^{5/2} B^{-1/2} \Omega \cdot 2 \cdot \left(\frac{2\pi}{e}\right)^{1/2} m_e^{3/2} \quad [4]$$

B2 a)



Relativistic  $e^-$  has "beam" of width  $\frac{1}{\gamma}$

We see pulse of radiation of duration  $\Delta t$ .  
Most of emitted power is at  $\omega \approx 1/\Delta t$

$\Delta t =$  time taken by  $e^-$  to travel  $A \rightarrow B$

— " " " radiation " " "

$$= \frac{L}{v} - \frac{L}{c} = \frac{L}{v} \left(1 - \frac{v}{c}\right)$$

If period of orbit is  $T = 2\pi / \omega_0$  — observed

$$\frac{L}{v} = \frac{1/\gamma}{2\pi} T = \frac{1}{\gamma \omega_0}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{eB}{m} = \frac{eB}{\gamma m_0} = \frac{\omega_g}{\gamma} \text{ — gyrofreq}$$

$$\therefore \frac{L}{v} \approx \frac{1}{\omega_g}$$

$$\text{Now } 1/\gamma^2 = 1 - v^2/c^2 = (1 - v/c)(1 + v/c) \approx 2(1 - v/c)$$

$$\therefore 1 - v/c \approx 1/2\gamma^2$$

$$\therefore \Delta t \approx \frac{1}{\omega_g} \frac{1}{2\gamma^2}$$

$$\therefore \omega \approx \gamma^2 \omega_g$$

[5]



32 (b) Power radiated by 1 e,  $P_i = \sigma_T c \delta^2 U_{\text{mag}}$ .

$e^-$  scatters mag quanta. Vol =  $\sigma_T c$  as field rushes past.

Energy density in lab frame is  $U_{\text{mag}}$  but  $\delta^2$  (of  $e^-$ ) arises, as in IC derivation, from transformation first to  $e^-$  frame for scattering, then back to lab

[2]

(c) Power radiated into  $\nu \rightarrow \nu + d\nu$ ,  $P(\nu) d\nu$

= no of  $e^-$  radiating into that freq range

x energy loss rate of each  $e^-$

$$= N_0 E^{-m} dE \times P_i$$

$$\text{Now } E \sim \gamma \sim \left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_g}\right)^{1/2} \sim \nu^{1/2} B^{-1/2}$$

$$\therefore dE \sim B^{-1/2} \nu^{-1/2} d\nu$$

$$\therefore P(\nu) d\nu \propto N_0 \delta^{-m} B^{-1/2} \nu^{-1/2} d\nu \sigma_T c \frac{\nu}{B} B^2$$

$$\propto N_0 \nu^{-m/2} B^{+m/2} B^{-1/2} \nu^{-1/2} \nu B d\nu$$

$$\propto N_0 \nu^{-m/2+1/2} B^{+m/2+1/2} d\nu$$

$$\propto N_0 \nu^{\frac{1-m}{2}} B^{\frac{1+m}{2}} d\nu$$

[6]

If  $m=2$ , then  $P(\nu) \propto \nu^{-0.5}$ , (ie " $\alpha$ " = +0.5) [1]

B2(d)

$$U_B = \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \quad [1]$$

$$U_P = \int N(E) \times E \, dE$$

$$= \int N_0 E^{-m+1} \, dE \quad (\text{don't worry about limits})$$

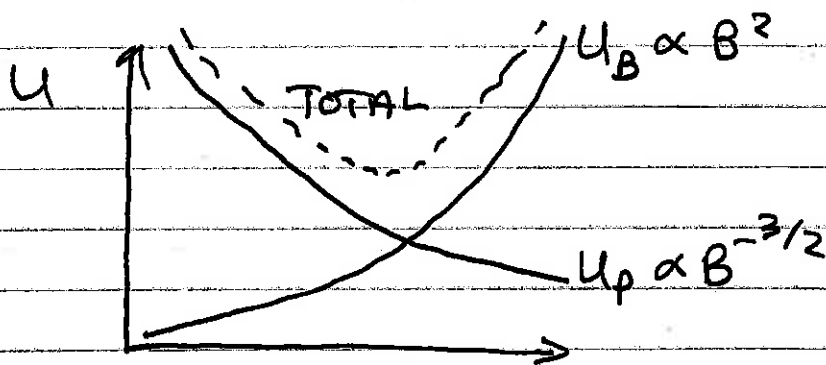
$$\propto \frac{N_0 E^{2-m}}{2-m} \quad \text{i.e.} \propto N_0 (\gamma)^{2-m}$$

Just concentrating on B-dependence, from previous

page,  $N_0 \propto B^{-\left(\frac{1+m}{2}\right)}$  and  $\gamma \sim \left(\frac{2}{B}\right)^{1/2}$

$$\therefore U_P \propto B^{-\left(\frac{1+m}{2}\right)} B^{-\left(\frac{2-m}{2}\right)}$$

$$\propto B^{\frac{-1-m-2+m}{2}} \quad \text{i.e.} \propto B^{-3/2} \quad [4]$$



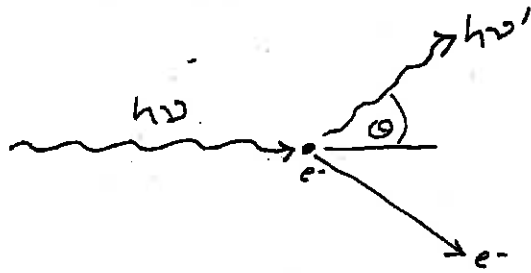
Total energy has a minimum near where

$U_P = U_B$  (equipartition).

$\frac{dU_{TOT}}{dB} = 0$  gives minimum energy and value  
of B at that energy [2]

Compton Scattering

$(h\nu \gtrsim m_e c^2)$



	<u>Initially</u>	<u>After Scattering</u>
photon energy	$h\nu$	$h\nu'$
photon mom.	$h\nu/c$	$h\nu'/c$
$e^-$ energy	$m_e c^2$	$(m_e^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2)^{1/2}$
$e^-$ mom	0	$p$

Energy Conservation

$h\nu + m_e c^2 = h\nu' + (m_e^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2)^{1/2}$  ..... ①

Momentum - DO IT WITH VECTORS!!

$\underline{p} = \underline{h\nu/c} - \underline{h\nu'/c}$  [4]

$\therefore p^2 = \underline{p} \cdot \underline{p} = (h\nu/c)^2 + (h\nu'/c)^2 - 2 \cdot (h\nu/c) \cdot (h\nu'/c) \cos \theta$  ..... ②

Square ①

$m_e^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2 = h^2 (\nu - \nu')^2 + m_e^2 c^4 + 2 h (\nu - \nu') m_e c^2$

$p^2 c^2 = h^2 \nu^2 + h^2 \nu'^2 - 2 h \nu h \nu' \cos \theta + 2 (\nu - \nu') m_e c^2$

②  $\Rightarrow p^2 c^2 = h^2 \nu^2 + h^2 \nu'^2 - 2 h \nu h \nu' \cos \theta = \text{RHS}$

Equat ① + ②, + by 2

$\therefore h\nu' (-h\nu \cos \theta + h\nu + m_e c^2) = h\nu m_e c^2$

$\therefore \nu' = \frac{\nu}{\frac{h\nu}{m_e c^2} (1 - \cos \theta) + 1}$

... answer.

B3  
cont)

(i)  $\omega'$  indep of  $\omega$  : need  $\frac{h\omega}{mc^2} (1 - \cos\theta) \gg 1$ .

So  $h\omega \gg mc^2$  and  $\theta$  not near zero. [1]

(ii)  $\omega' = \omega$  : either  $h\omega \ll mc^2$  or  $\theta = 0$ . [1]

In energy, rather than frequency:

$$E' = \frac{30}{1 + \frac{30}{0.511} (1 - \cos 15)} = 10.0 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\therefore \text{KE of } e^- = 30 - 10 = 20 \text{ MeV. [3]}$$

b) Need  $E_1, E_2 > (Mc^2)^2$  [1]

$Mc^2 = 511 \text{ keV}$ . (or calculate) Optical photon  $\sim 2 \text{ eV}$ . (accept 1)

$$\text{MWB: } \lambda = 1.1 \text{ mm} \quad \therefore E = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{6.62 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \cdot 10^8}{1.1 \times 10^{-3}} = 1.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$$

↑  
to eV from Joule

$$= 1.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV} \quad [2]$$

$$\text{So, from optical, } E_2 > \frac{(5.11 \times 10^5)^2}{2} = 1.3 \times 10^{11} \text{ eV.}$$

$$\text{from MWB } E_2 > \frac{(5.11 \times 10^5)^2}{1.1 \times 10^{-3}} = 2.37 \times 10^{14} \text{ eV} \quad [2]$$

B4 (a)

## X-ray mirrors.

At very high frequencies (i.e. X-rays), refractive index  $\underline{n_2 \approx 1 - \delta}$  [call free space  $n_1 = 1$ ]

(Where  $\delta \propto N_e$  and typically  $\sim 10^{-4}$ .)

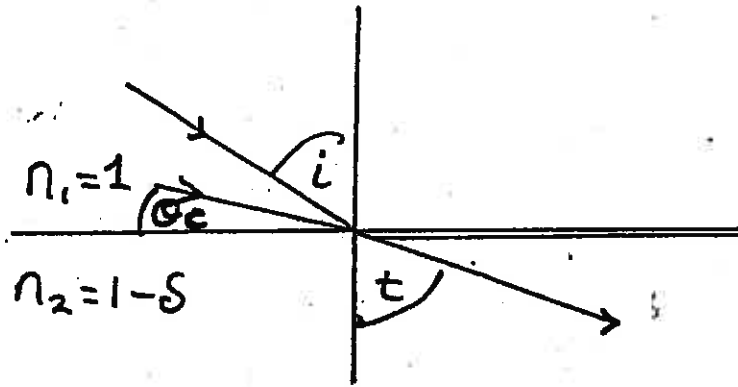
Thus Reflection coeff (direct incidence) =  $\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \sim 0$

and  $T \sim 1$ .  $\left( = \frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2} \right)$

So normal incidence cannot be used.

Instead we use total "external" reflection. [2]

Remember  $n_i \sin i = n_t \sin t$



So at critical  $\theta_c$ , we get total reflection. ( $\sin t = 1$ )

$$\therefore 1 \cdot \sin(90 - \theta_c) = (1 - \delta) \cdot 1. \quad [2]$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta_c = 1 - \delta$$

$$\text{Now } \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = 1 - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore \theta_c = \sqrt{2\delta} \quad [2]$$

$$\text{Now } n = (1 - \delta) = \left(1 - \frac{2\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}\right)^{1/2} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{2\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

$$\therefore \delta = \frac{1}{2} \frac{2\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

B4 a  
cont)

$$\text{But } Q = \sqrt{2\delta} = \sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}} = \frac{\omega_p}{\omega} \quad [1]$$

Metal with  $N = 5 \times 10^{28}$

$$\therefore \omega_p = \left( \frac{N e^2}{4\pi^2 \epsilon_0 m_e} \right)^{1/2} = \left( \frac{5 \cdot 10^{28} (1.6 \cdot 10^{-19})^2}{4\pi^2 \cdot 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \cdot 9.1 \cdot 10^{-31}} \right)^{1/2}$$
$$= 2.00 \times 10^{15} \text{ Hz.} \quad [1]$$

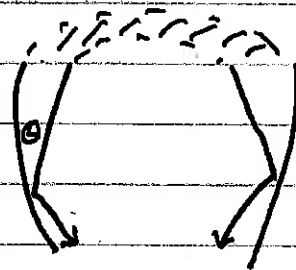
As  $E = h\omega = 2 \cdot 10^3 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ .  $\therefore \omega = 7.8 \times 10^{17}$

$$\therefore Q (\text{radians}) = \frac{2.00 \times 10^{15}}{7.8 \times 10^{17}} = 4.15 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 0.24 \text{ degrees} \quad [1]$$

For grazing incidence

collecting area  $\propto Q$ .



And  $Q \propto \frac{1}{\text{energy}}$   $\therefore$  area  $\propto \frac{1}{\text{energy}}$

Thus decreasing area by  $\times 2.5$  ( $0.1 \rightarrow 0.04 \text{ m}^2$ )

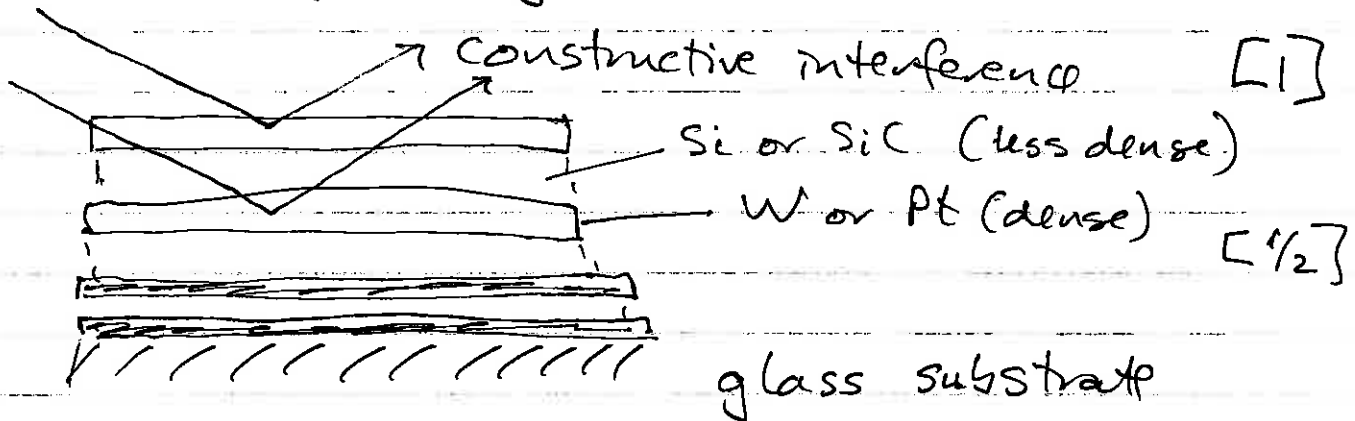
increases energy by  $\times 2.5$  to  $2.5 \text{ keV}$  [2]

B4 (b)

3-79 keV.

NuStar

~200 Multilayers of graded thickness.



Graded thickness increases bandwidth. 1/2

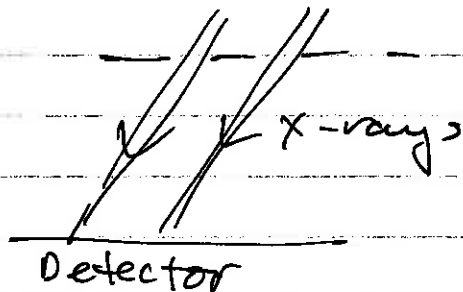
Thinnest layer at base for highest energies 1/2

Use many (~133 for NuStar) concentric mirrors.

Detector is ~10m away in separate module.

79 keV is platinum edge so higher energies [1/2]  
are absorbed

B4 (c) Describe coded masks.



Cross correlate mask  
+ image pattern to  
get direction. [2]

For detector - describe crystal scintillator.

eg Thallium doped NaI.

$\gamma$ -ray produces light flash  $\propto$  photon energy [2]

B4(c) cont.

Background — cosmic rays [1]  
— longer tracks, longer  
light flashes. [1]