

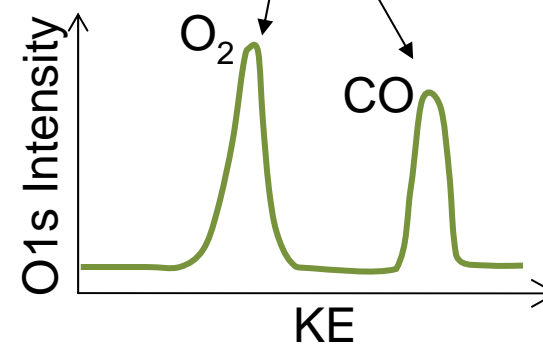
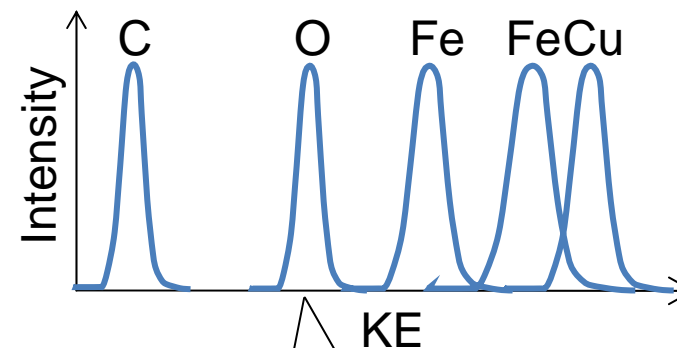
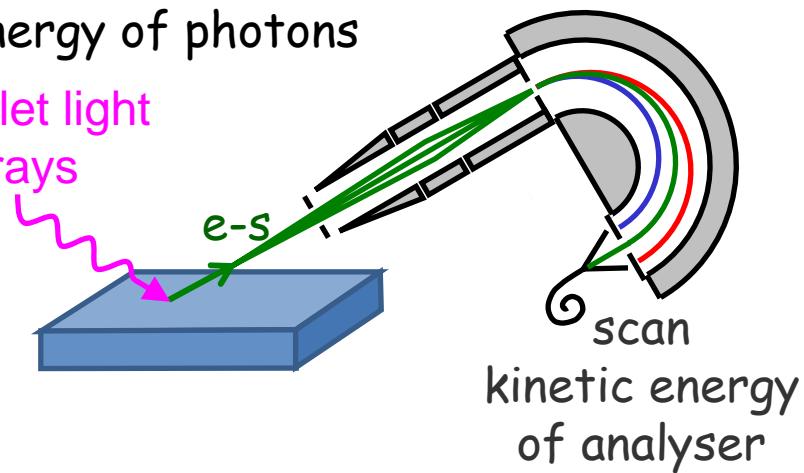
*Penetrating-Field  
Threshold  
Photo Electron  
Spectroscopy*  
*Michele Siggel-King*



# Electron Spectroscopy

fixed energy of photons

Ultra-violet light  
or x-rays



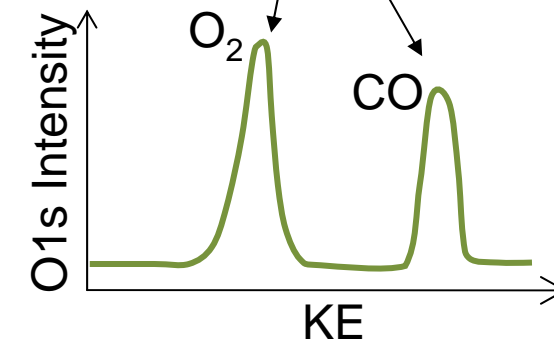
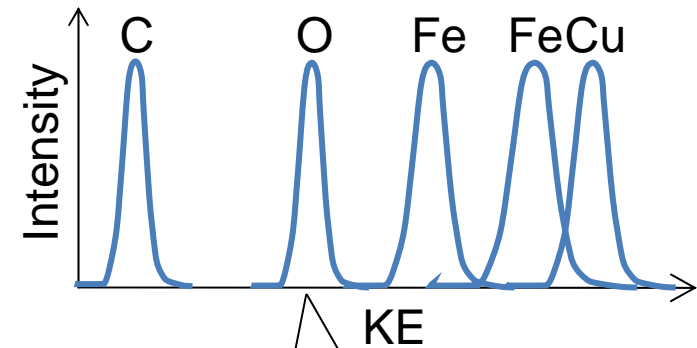
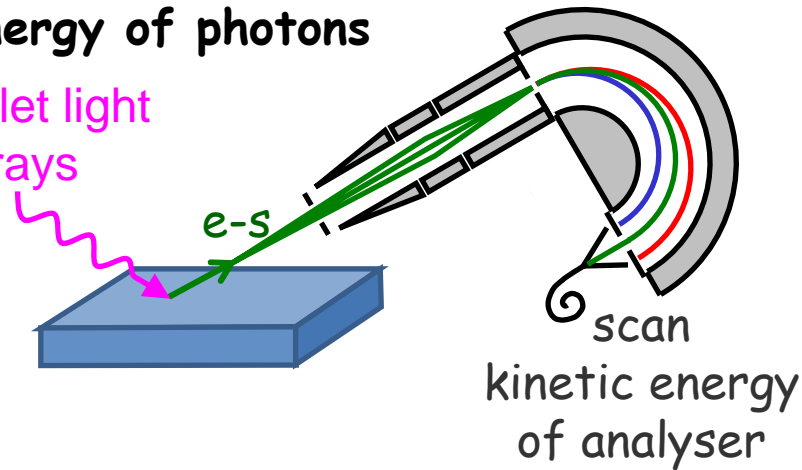
Kai Siegbahn  
Nobel Prize  
1981



# Electron Spectroscopy

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Peak Intensities  $\Rightarrow$

- relative ionisation cross sections
- quantitative - how much is present

Intensity (angle)  $\Rightarrow$

- symmetry of orbitals
- adsorbate orientation

Resolution:

- photon bandwidth
- spectrometer
- target (gas - Doppler)



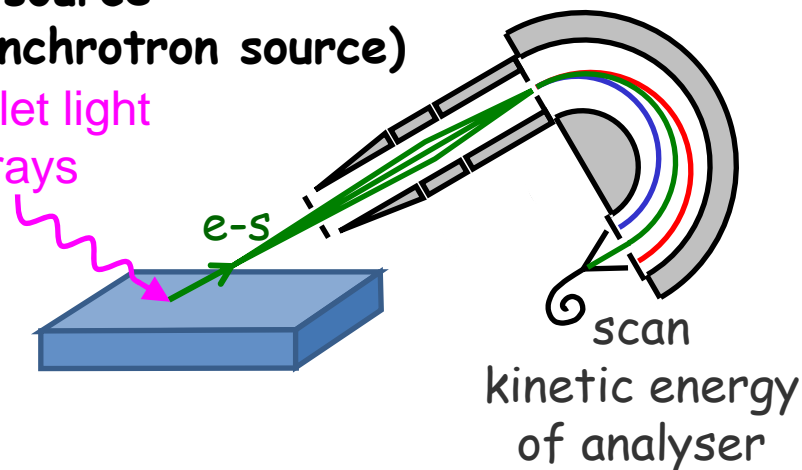
# Electron Spectroscopy

tunable source

(e.g. synchrotron source)

Ultra-violet light

or x-rays



tune  $h\nu$  to energy of highly excited state

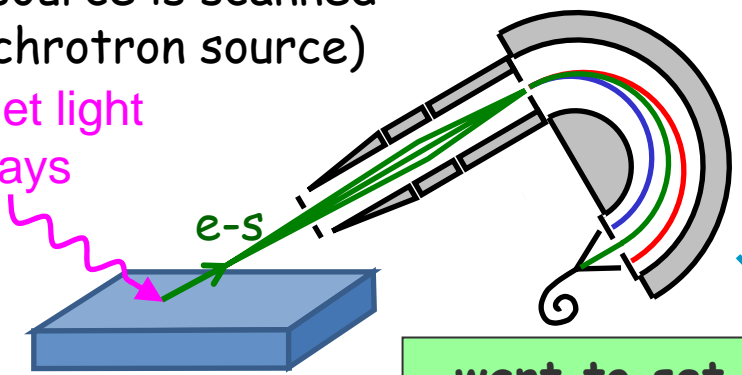
information about indirect photoionisation paths



# Threshold PhotoElectron Spectroscopy

tunable source is scanned  
(e.g. synchrotron source)

Ultra-violet light  
or x-rays

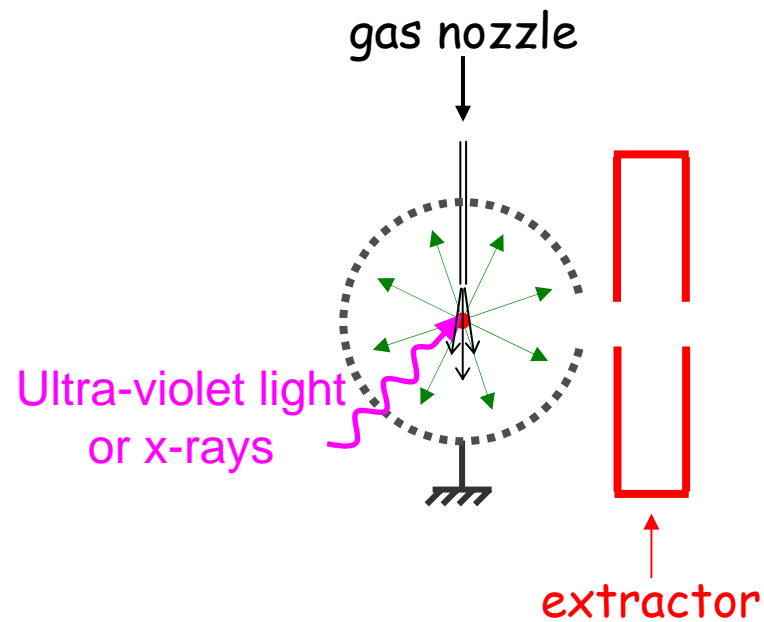


want to set  
spectrometer  
to accept e-s  
of "0" KE  
( $\sim < 1$  meV)

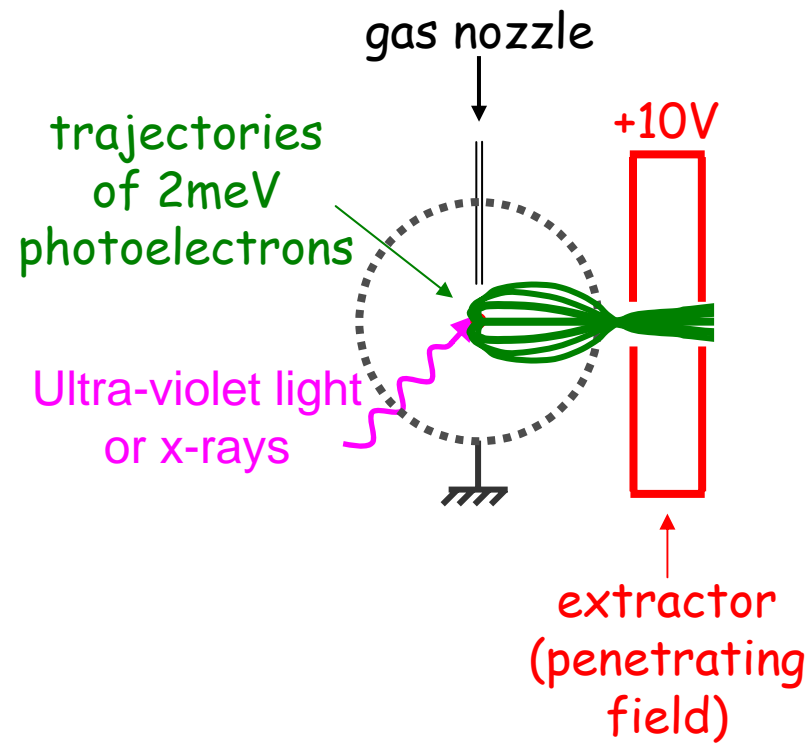
Penetrating Field  
Threshold  
Spectrometer



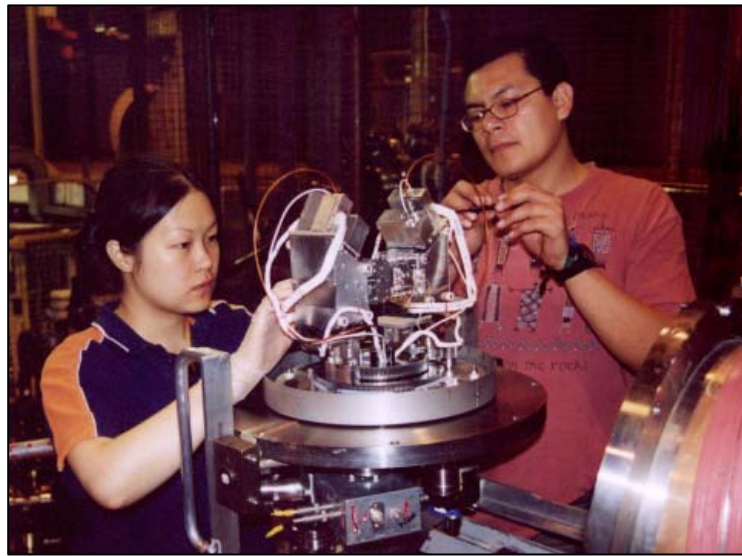
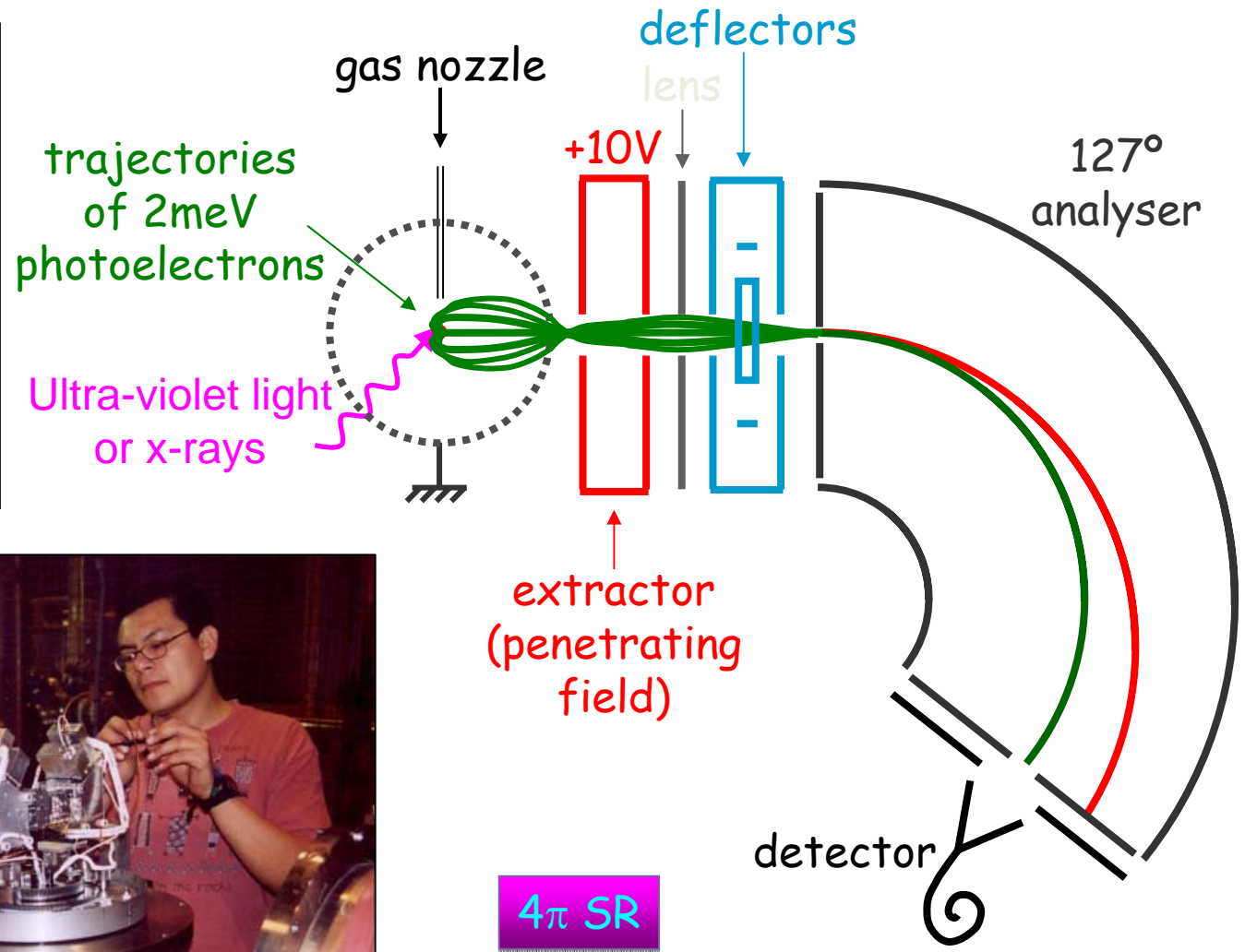
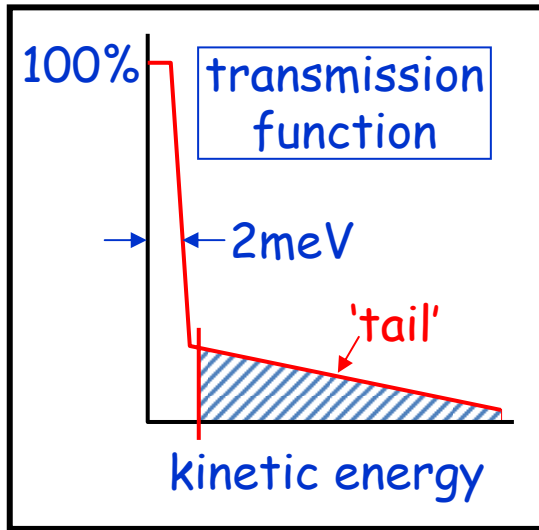
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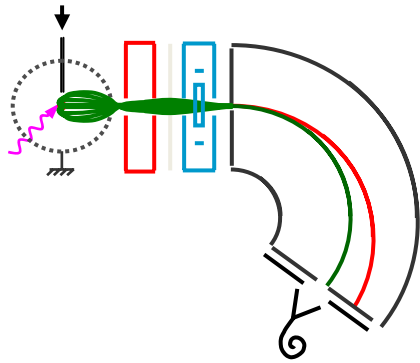
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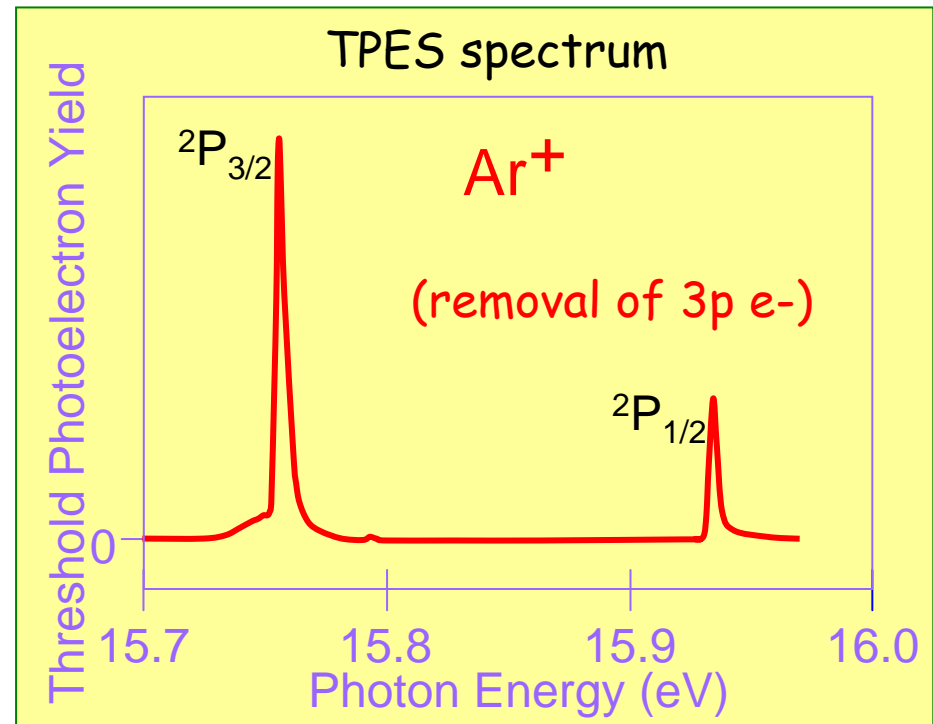
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(e.g. synchrotron source)



spectrometer  
is tuned to  
accept e-s of  
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( $\sim < 1$  meV)

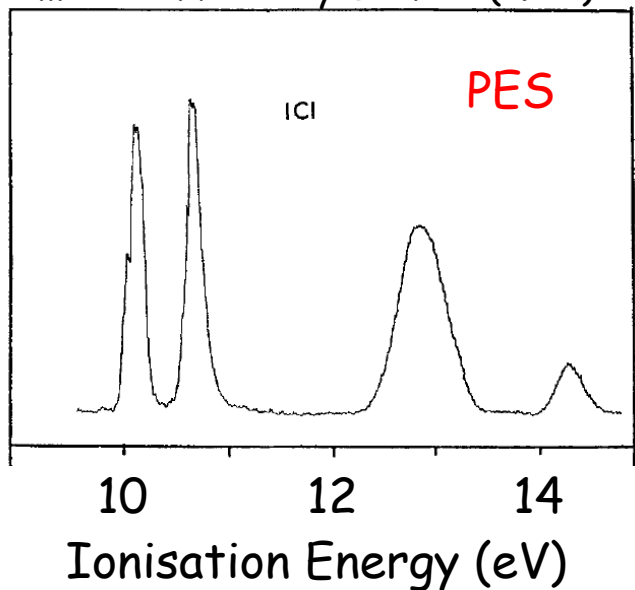
## Advantages:

- very high energy resolution
- very high collection efficiency ( $4\pi$  SR)
- no Doppler broadening of spectra
- non-Franck-Condon behaviour

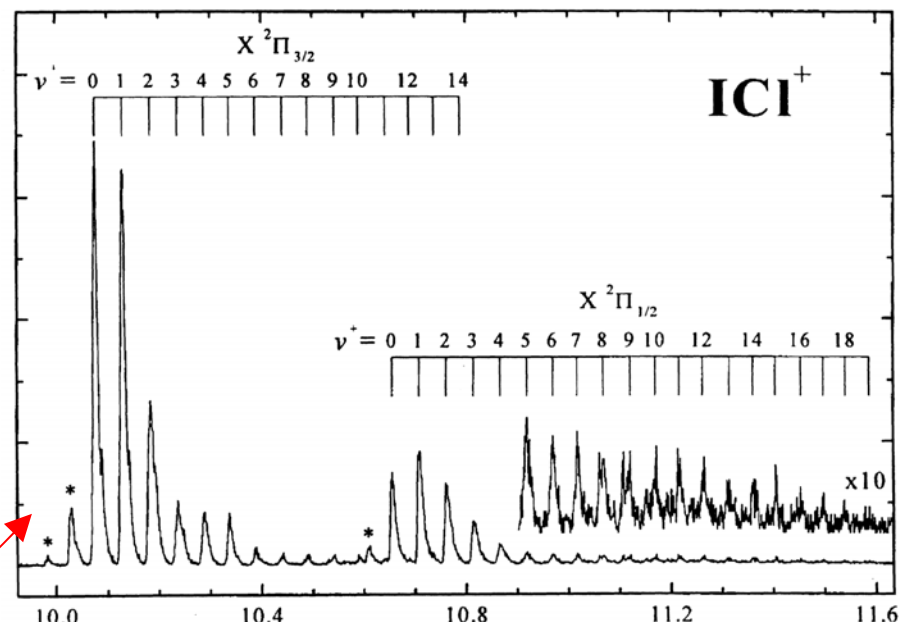
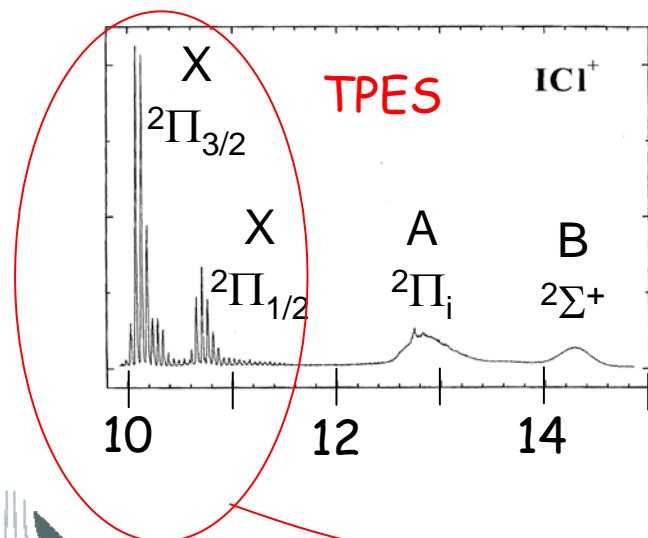


# Threshold Spectroscopy of ICl

Potts ... Trans. Faraday Soc. 67 (1971) 1242



Resolution of TPES  $\Rightarrow$   $h\nu$  bandwidth;  
(spectrometer contribution negligible)



Yencha ... Chem Phys Letts. 325 (2000) 559



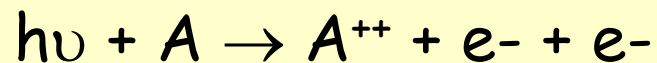
## Threshold Photoelectron Spectroscopy

- has enabled a wealth of new information to be obtained about atomic and molecular targets
- generally complementary to conventional PES
- mainly spectroscopic (e.g. vib const & internuclr sepn of ion)
- may also contain dynamical information  
(mechanisms of single and double ioniztn)

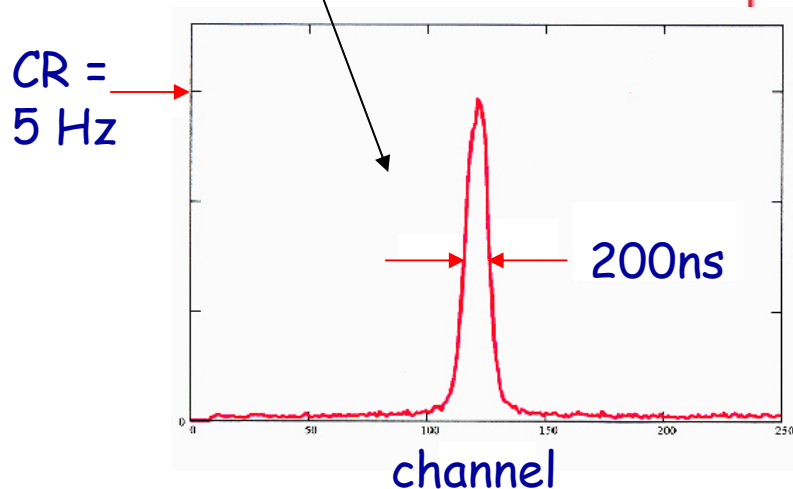


# Coincidence Spectroscopy

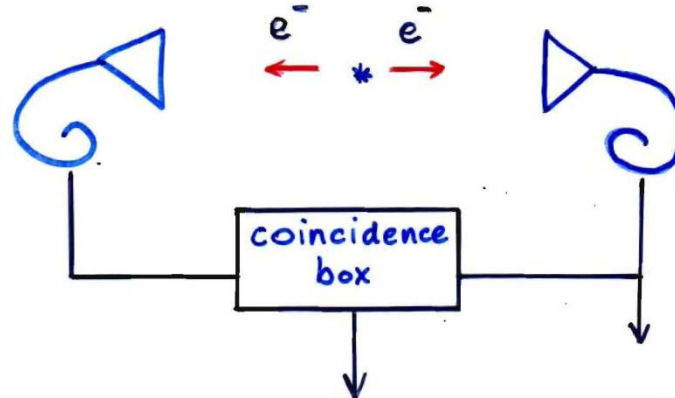
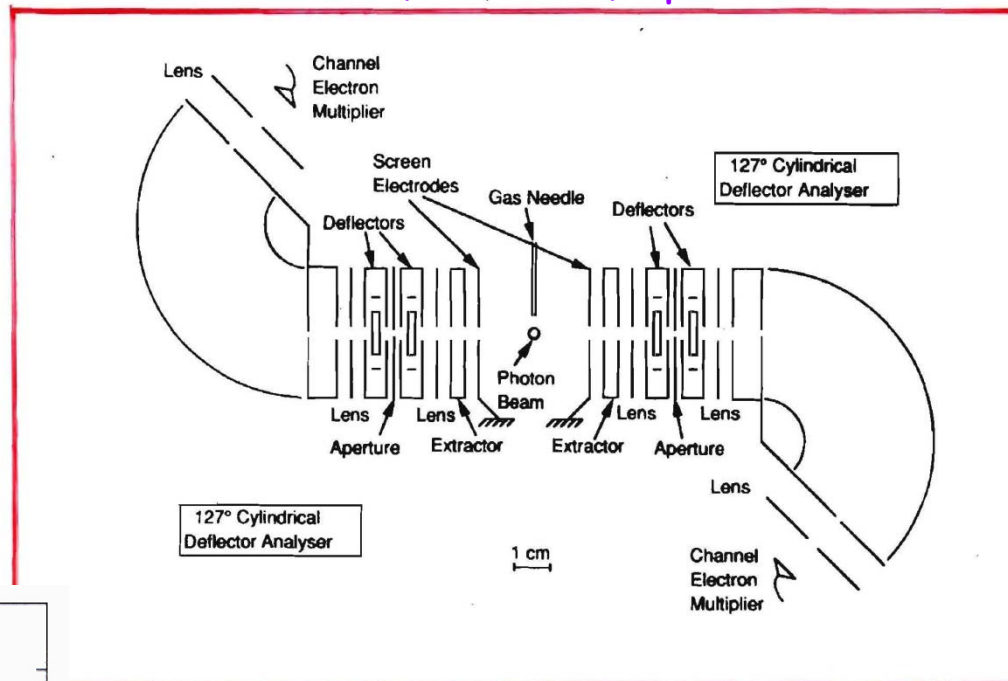
coincidence techniques can be used for any two or more species (e.g. charged particles or photons)



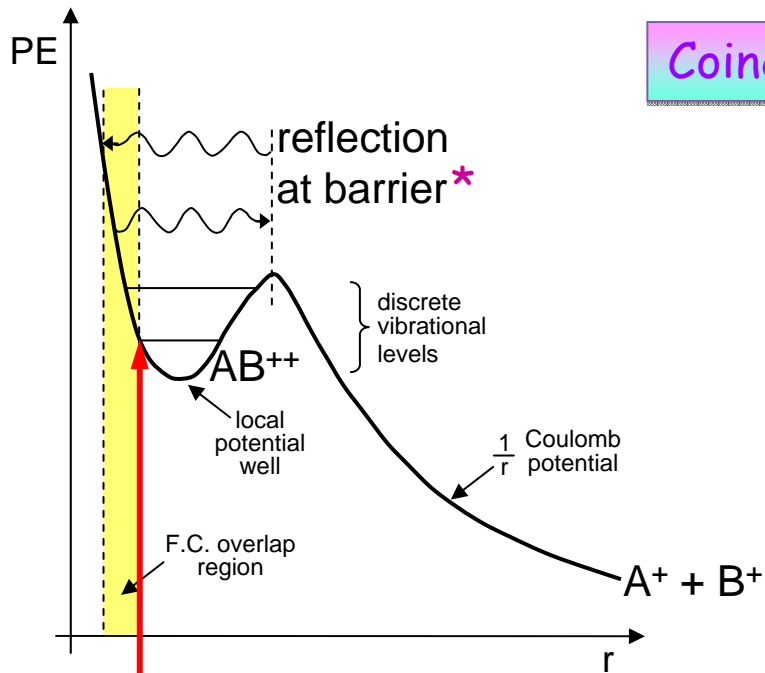
Time spectrum



# Threshold PhotoElectron PhotoElectron Coincidence (TPEPECo) spectrometer



# Coincidence Spectroscopy (TPEPECo) of HCl

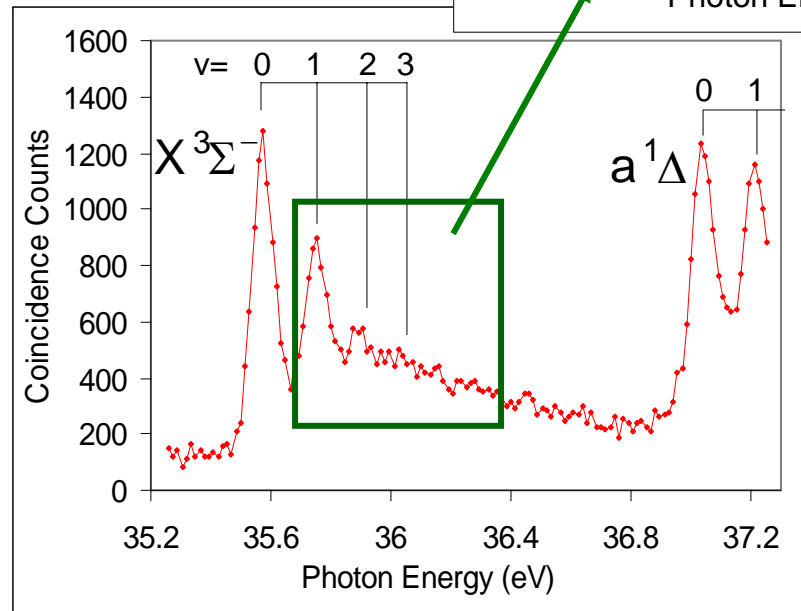
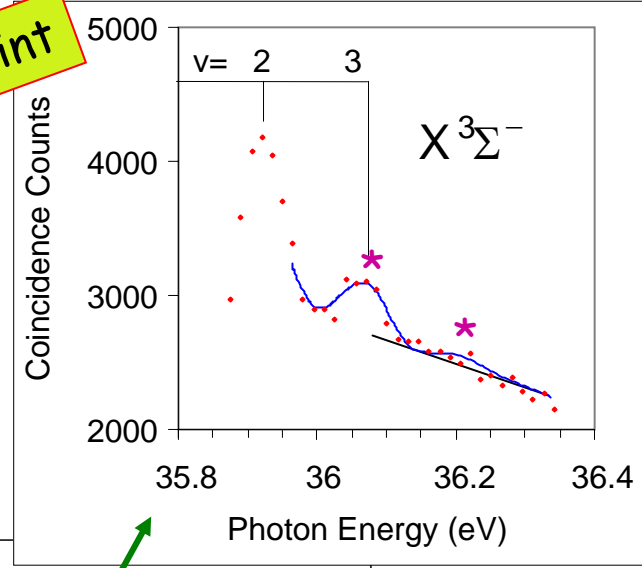


select level w/  
excitation source

Doubly charged ions (e.g.  $HCl^{++}$ ) can have local minimum that supports vibrational levels (e.g.  $\alpha$ -particle decay)



91 min / point



D. Brown, Ph. D Thesis and 2006-7 SRD Annual Report



## Summary

Photo Electron Spectroscopy - a basic review

Penetrating-Field Threshold Photo Electron Technique

basic concepts

penetrating field threshold spectrometer

TPES of ICI

coincidence threshold spectroscopy (TPEPECo) of ICI



# Applications and Uses of Penetrating Field Threshold Spectroscopy

## Advantages of TPES:

- very high collection efficiency ( $4\pi$  SR)
- non-Franck-Condon behaviour
- very high energy resolution
- no Doppler broadening of spectra
- spectrometer independent of mass

TPES has been used extensively for the detection of threshold electrons generated by using electrons or photons as the excitation source.

but what about some other applications involving (e.g.)

positrons?

antiprotons?

muons?

??????

neutrons?

medical?

atmospheric?

biological?



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