

# Principles of Spectrometry

## Compton Scattering.

$$h\nu' = \frac{h\nu}{1 + \frac{h\nu}{m_0c^2}(1 - \cos\theta)}$$

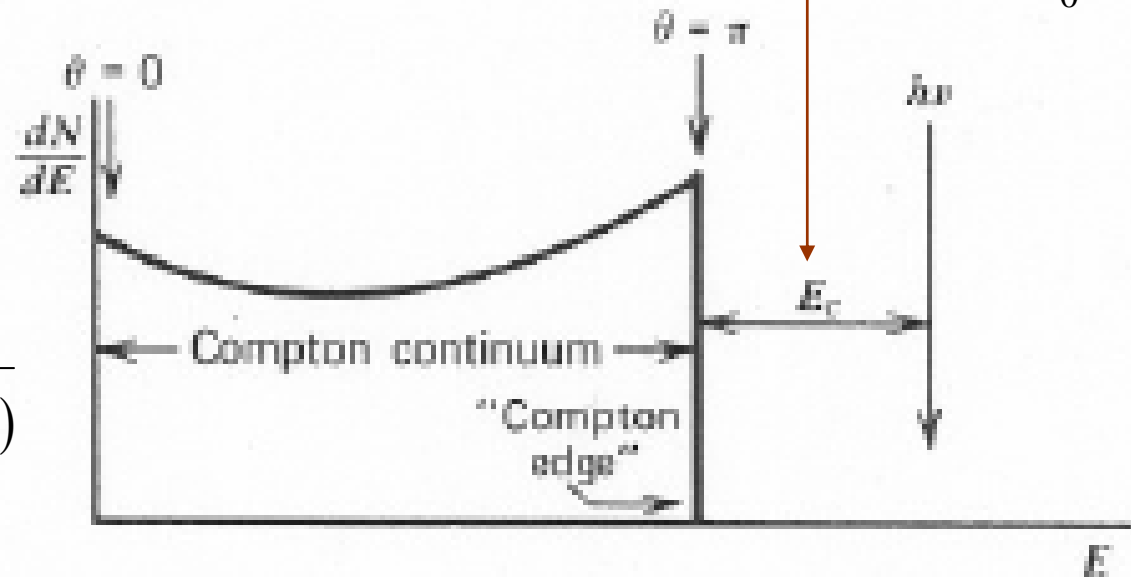


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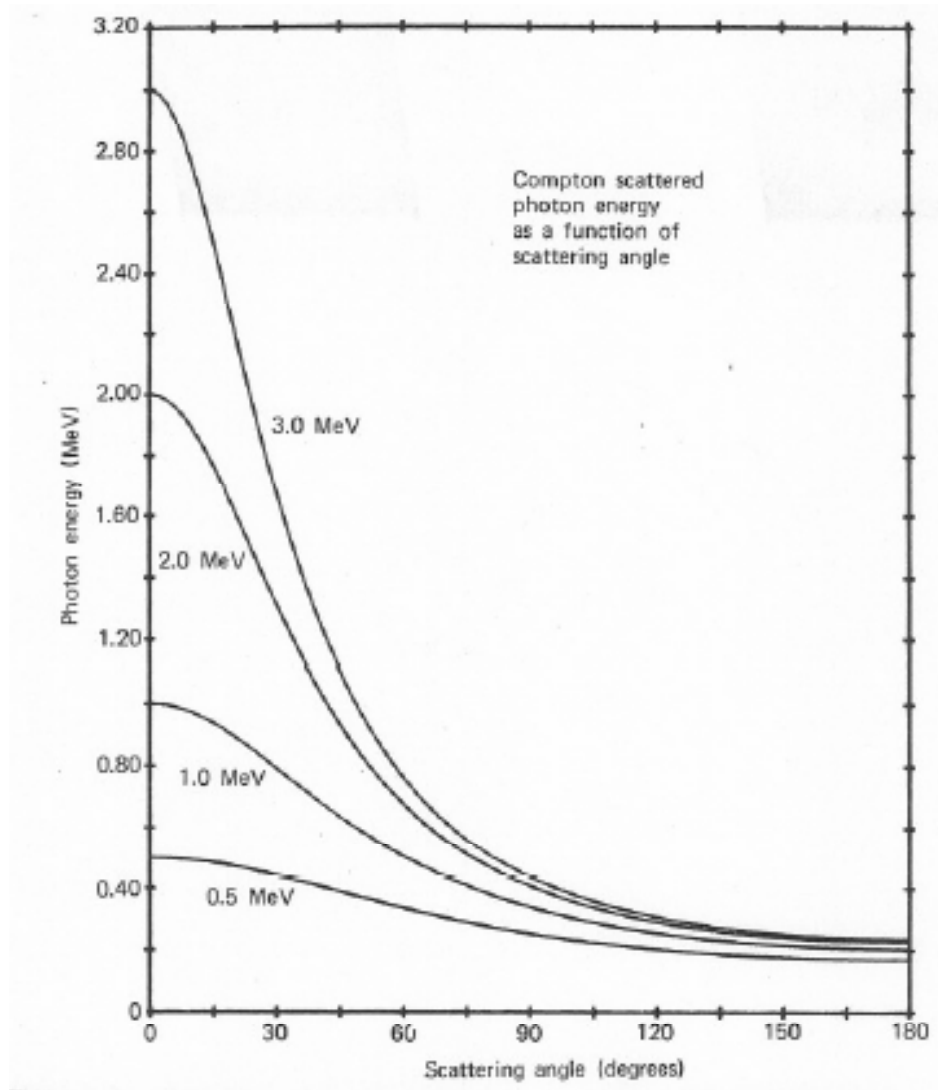
- Photoelectric suppressed.
- Single Compton (effect of crystal dimensions).
- Below 1.022 MeV.

$$E_c = \frac{h\nu}{1 + 2\frac{h\nu}{m_0c^2}}$$

$$E_e = h\nu - h\nu' = h\nu \frac{\frac{h\nu}{m_0c^2}(1 - \cos\theta)}{1 + \frac{h\nu}{m_0c^2}(1 - \cos\theta)}$$



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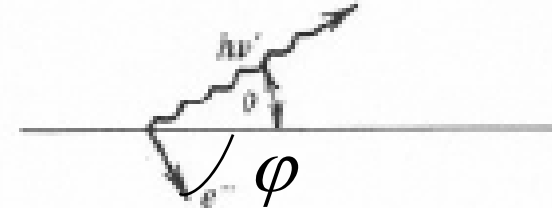
Reproduce the graph.

$$h\nu' = \frac{h\nu}{1 + \frac{h\nu}{m_0c^2}(1 - \cos\theta)}$$

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- Compton scattering is predominant for energies typical of radioisotope sources.

## HW 4



Let the recoil electron be emitted at an angle  $\varphi$ , calculate  $\cot(\varphi)$  as a function of  $\tan(\theta/2)$ .

- “Probability” per **atom** increases linearly with  $Z$  (Why).
- Electron density.
- Effect of binding energy.
- Effect of polarized photons.
- Compton fraction.

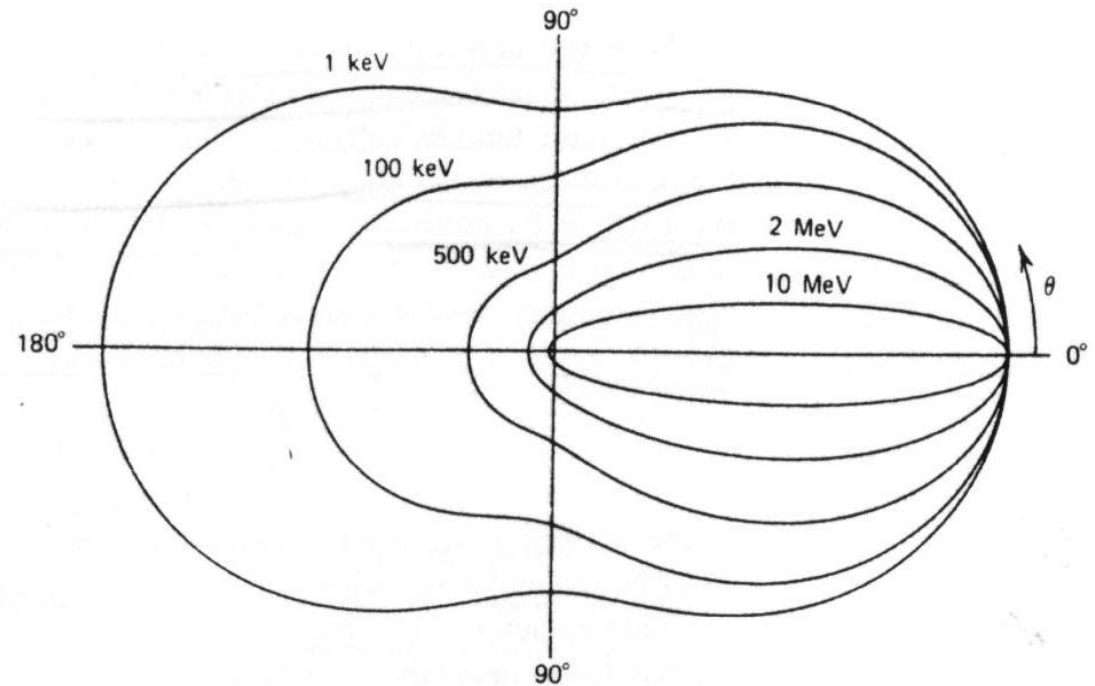
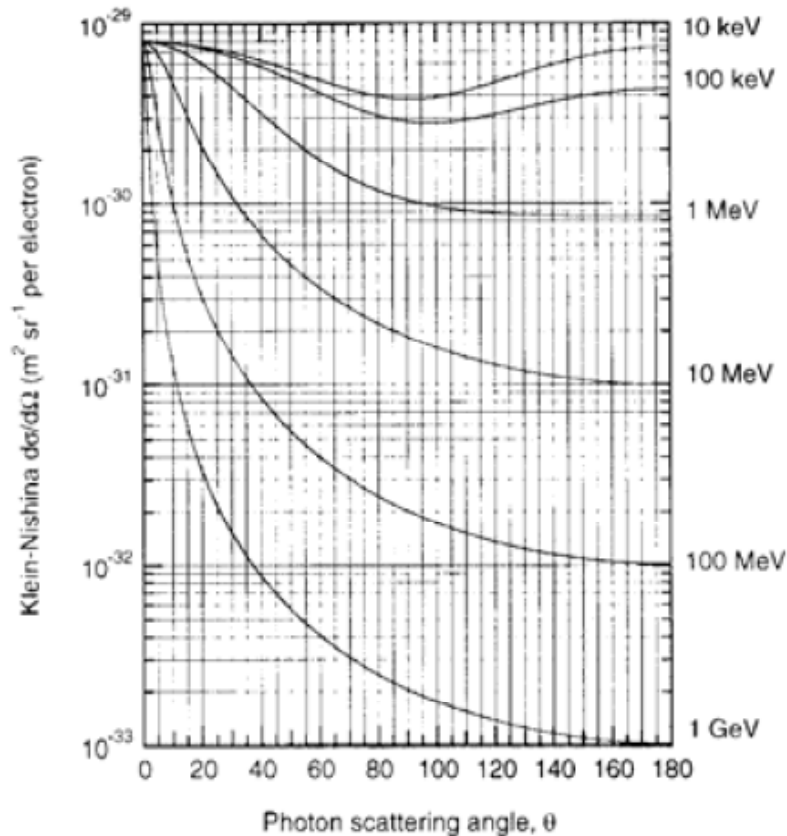
## Klein-Nishina formula

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = Zr_0^2 \left( \frac{1}{1 + \alpha(1 - \cos \theta)} \right)^2 \left( \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta}{2} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha^2(1 - \cos \theta)^2}{(1 + \cos^2 \theta)[1 + \alpha(1 - \cos \theta)]} \right)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{h\nu}{m_0c^2}$$

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## HW 5 What is Thomson scattering.



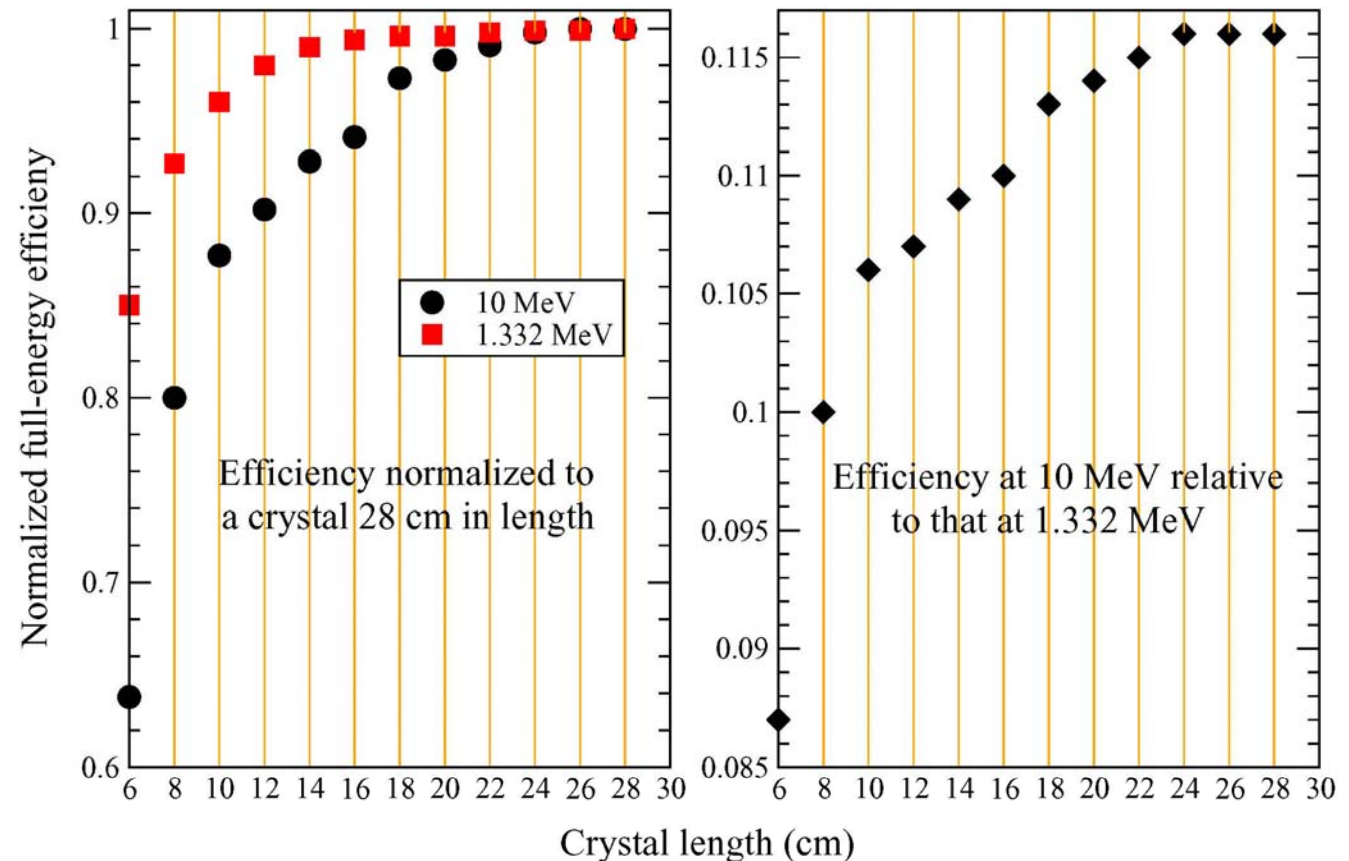
**Note tendency for forward scattering at high energies.**

Considerations for **shields and detectors? Sources vs. accelerators???**

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If you need to measure gamma ray yield from nuclear reactions (using particle accelerators), the photon energies could be as high as 10 MeV. What is the typical Ge detector to be used?

Efficiency as a function of Ge crystal length  
Crystal diameter = 6 cm. Source to crystal distance = 3 cm.



Prepared with Monte Carlo simulations.

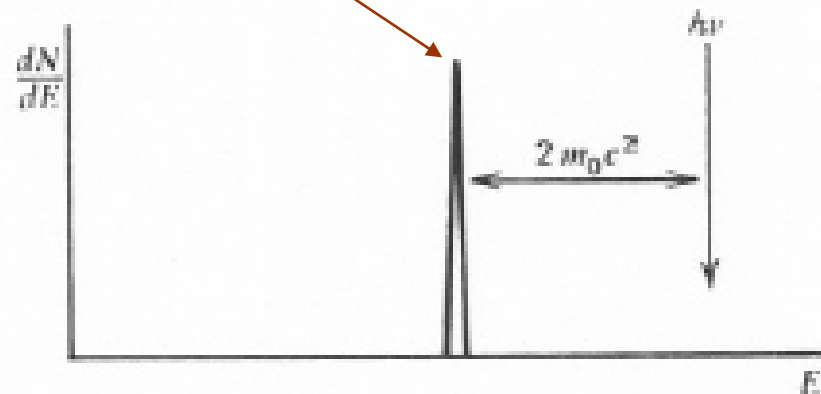
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## Pair Production.

$$E_{e^-} + E_{e^+} = h\nu - 2m_0c^2$$

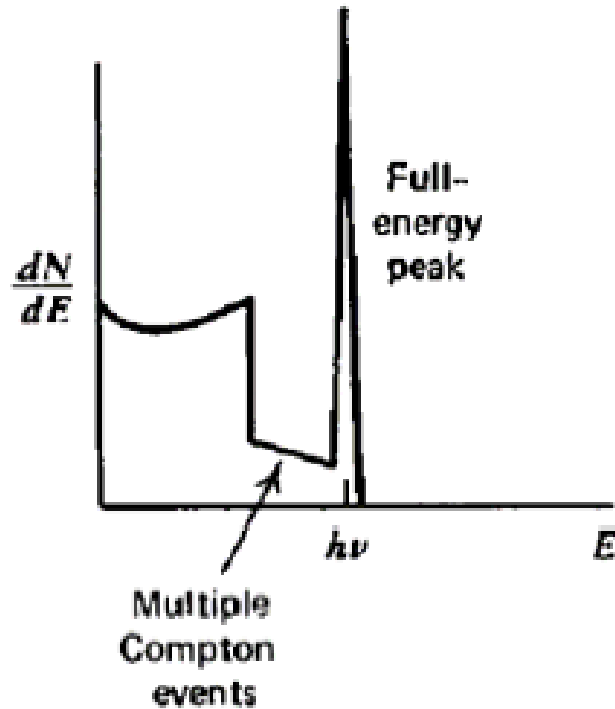
Rest mass of electron and positron.  
Gamma must have 1.022 MeV  
minimum energy for PP to occur.

Single peak if electron and positron  
“kinetic” energies are captured by  
the detector. But annihilation!

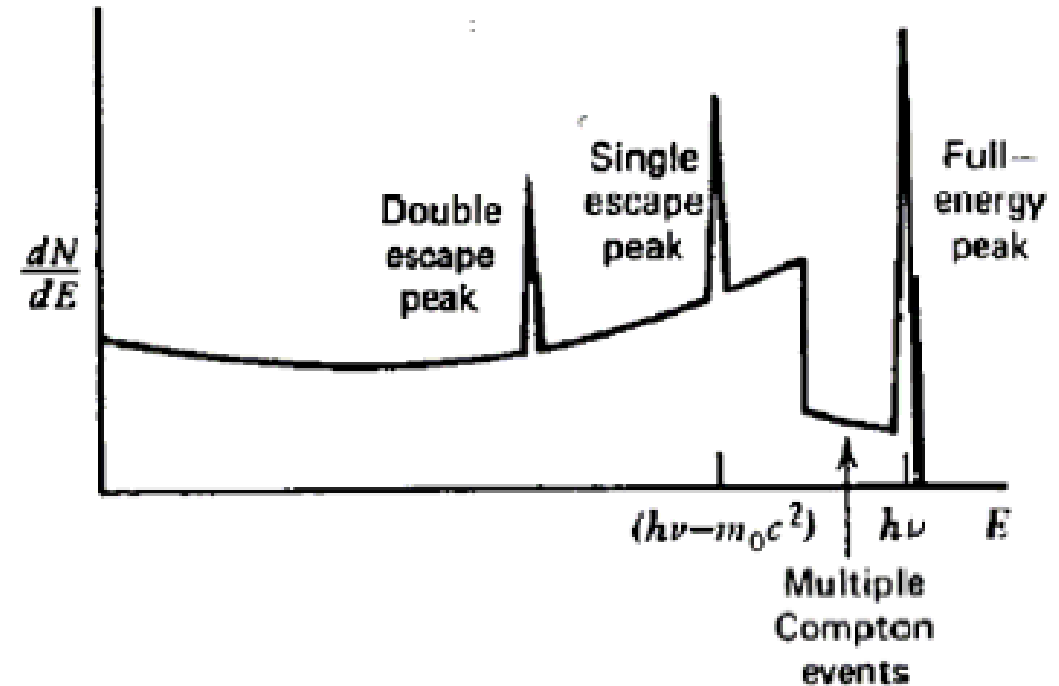


Two annihilation photons are then created when positron recombines with an electron. These photons may or may not be captured, causing single and double escape peaks in the spectrum (effect of crystal dimensions).

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**Low-energy gamma.**



**High-energy gamma.**

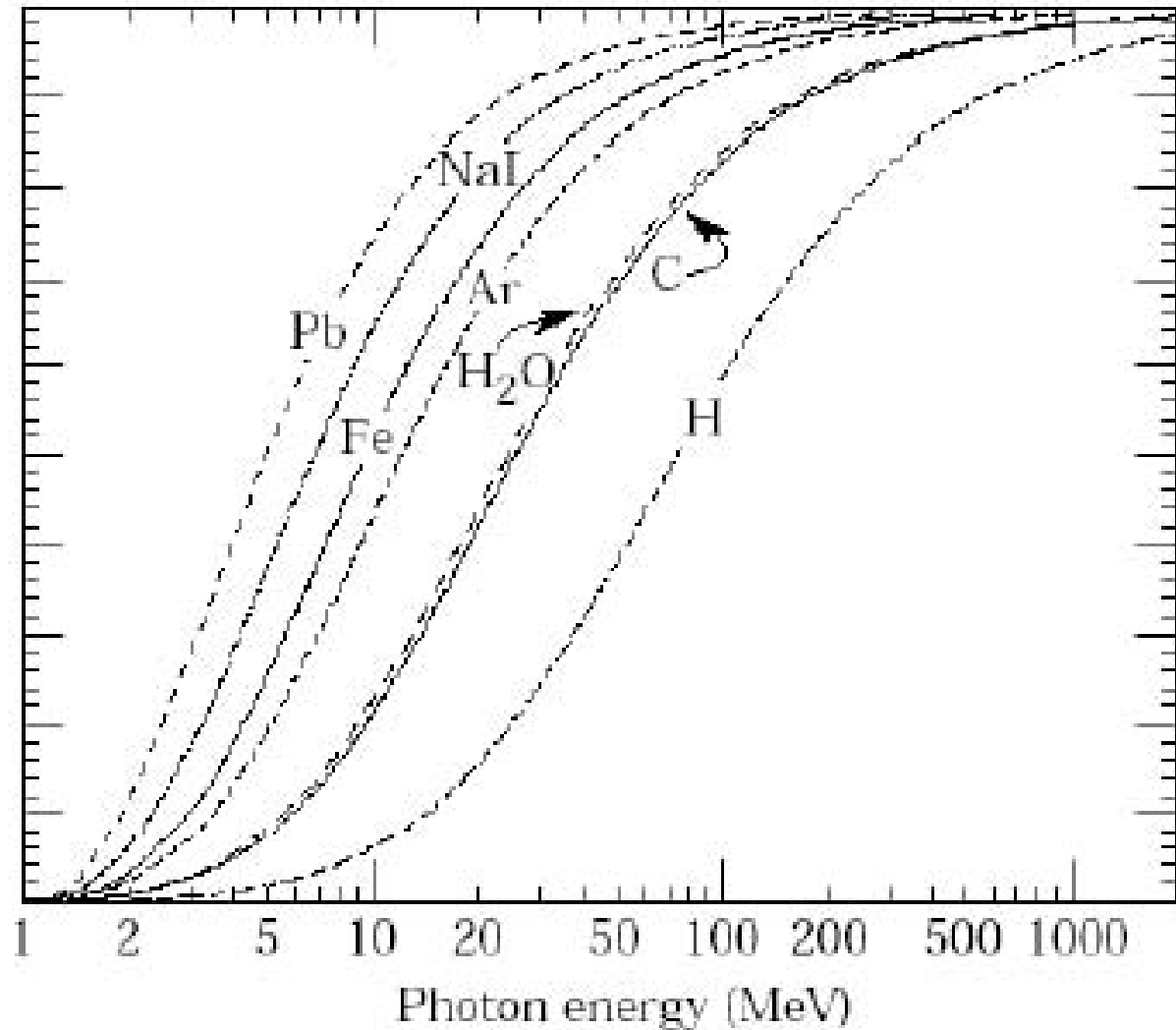
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Probability of pair production.  
Dependence on  $Z$ ?

## HW 6

Recoil nucleus,  
**Why?**

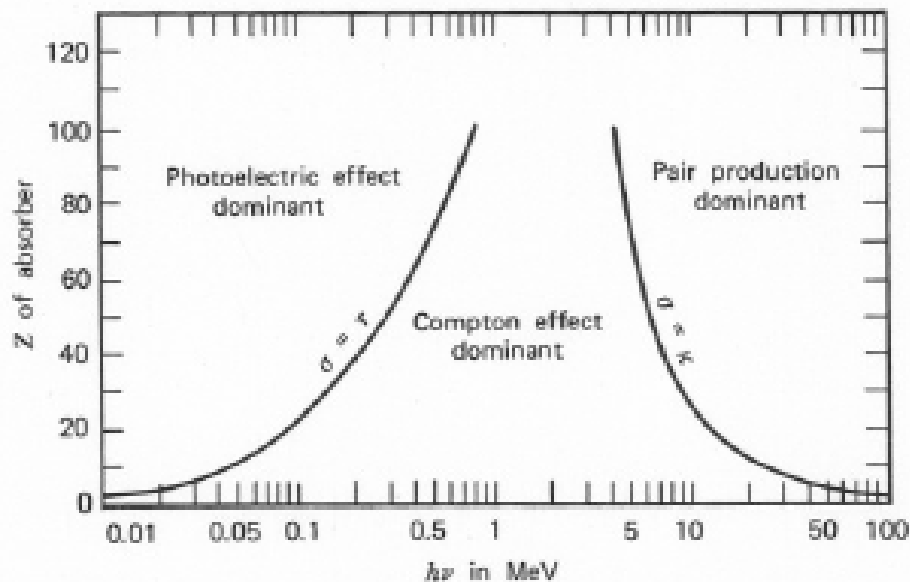
**Effect of screening?**





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Importance in Linacs? 

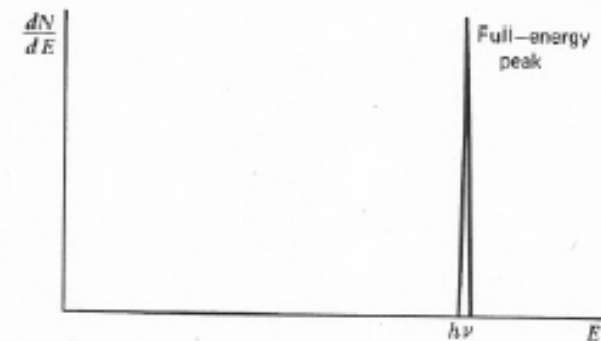
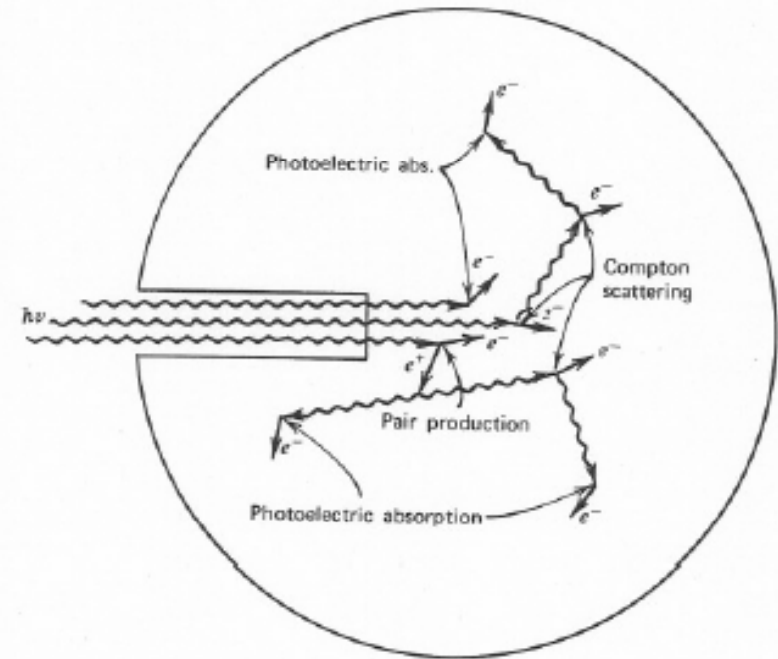


Type of interaction	Absorption	Scattering	
		Elastic (Coherent)	Inelastic (Incoherent)
Interaction with:			
Atomic electrons	<b>Photoelectric effect</b> $\sigma_{pe} \begin{cases} \sim Z^4 (L.E.) \\ \sim Z^5 (H.E.) \end{cases}$	<b>Rayleigh scattering</b> $\sigma_R \sim Z^2 (L.E.)$	<b>Compton scattering</b> $\sigma_C \sim Z$
Nucleus	Photonuclear reactions $(\gamma, n), (\gamma, p)$ , photofission, etc. $\sigma_{ph.n.} \sim Z$ $(h\nu > 10 \text{ MeV})$	Elastic nuclear scattering $(\gamma, \gamma) \sim Z^2$	Inelastic nuclear scattering $(\gamma, \gamma')$
Electric field surrounding charged particles	<b>Electron-positron pair production in field of nucleus,</b> $\sigma_{pair} \sim Z^2$ $(h\nu > 1.02 \text{ MeV})$ <b>Electron-positron pair production in electron field,</b> $\sigma_{trip} \sim Z^2$ $(h\nu \geq 2.04 \text{ MeV})$ Nucleon-antinucleon pair production $(h\nu \geq 3 \text{ GeV})$	Delbrück scattering	
Mesons	Photomeson production, $(h\nu \geq 150 \text{ MeV})$	Modified $(\gamma, \gamma)$	

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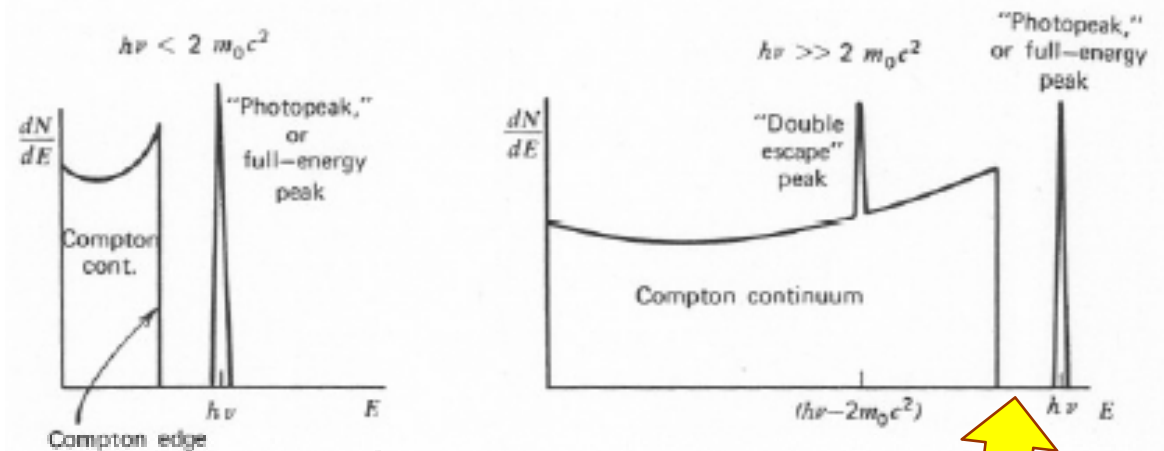
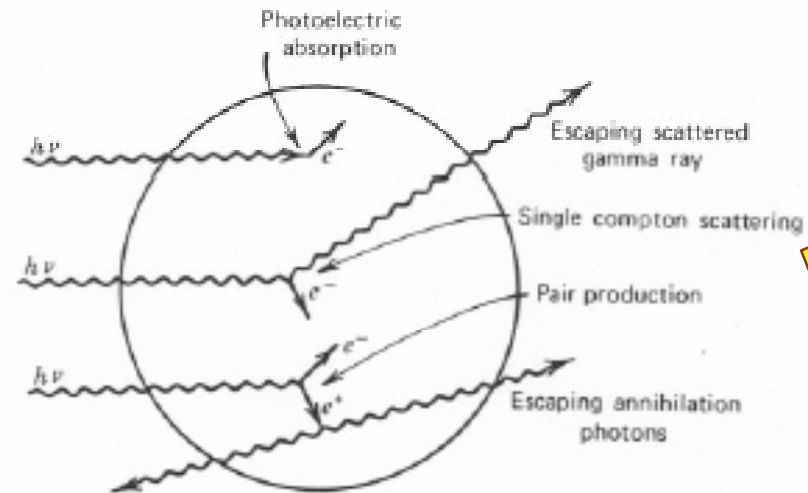
**Very large detector.** All secondary radiation, including Compton scattered gamma rays, Bremsstrahlung, x-rays and annihilation photons, are captured in detector volume

Large photofraction (fraction of full energy events) is desired in any detector



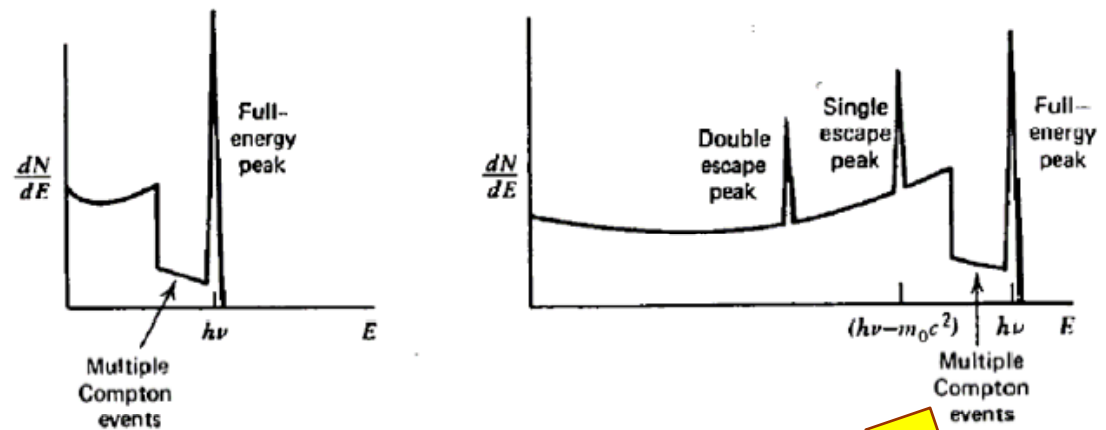
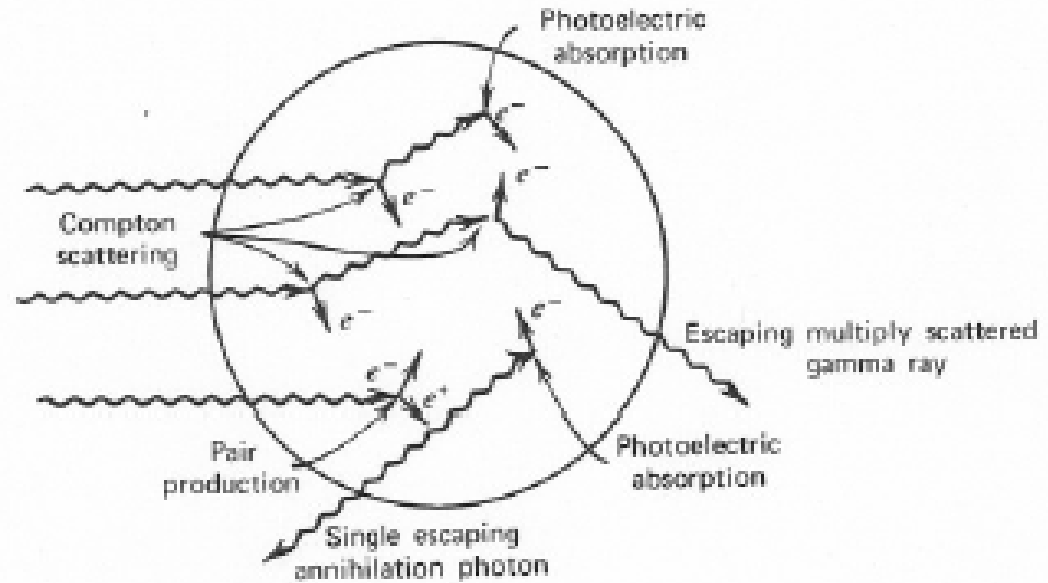
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Very small detectors. All secondary radiation, including Compton scattered gamma rays and annihilation photons, are not captured in detector volume (escaping).



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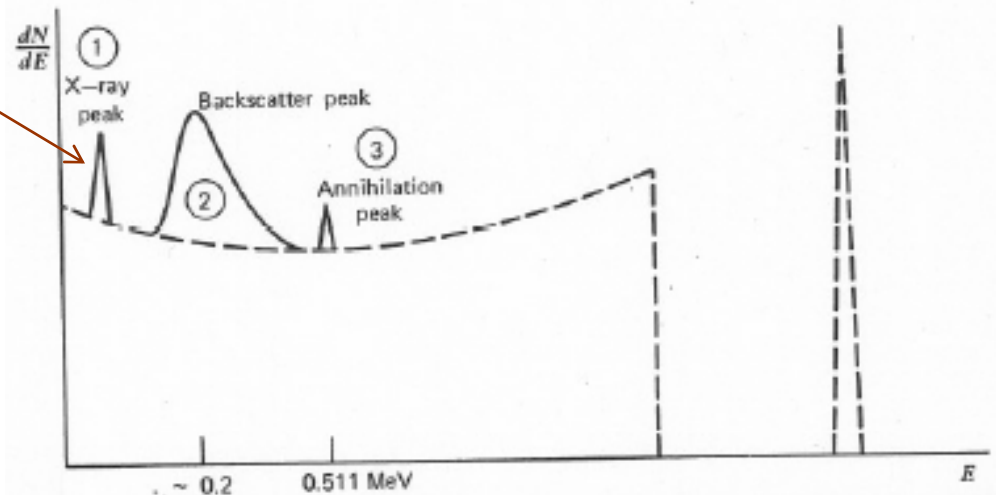
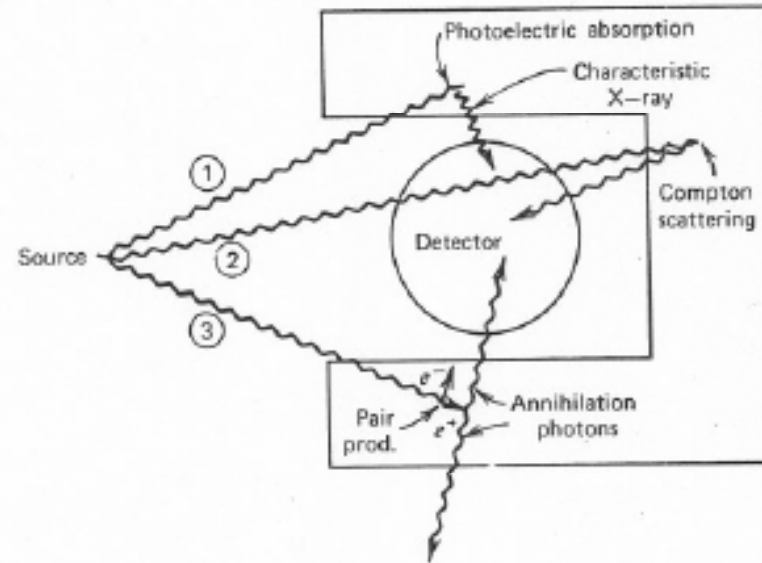
A typical detector.



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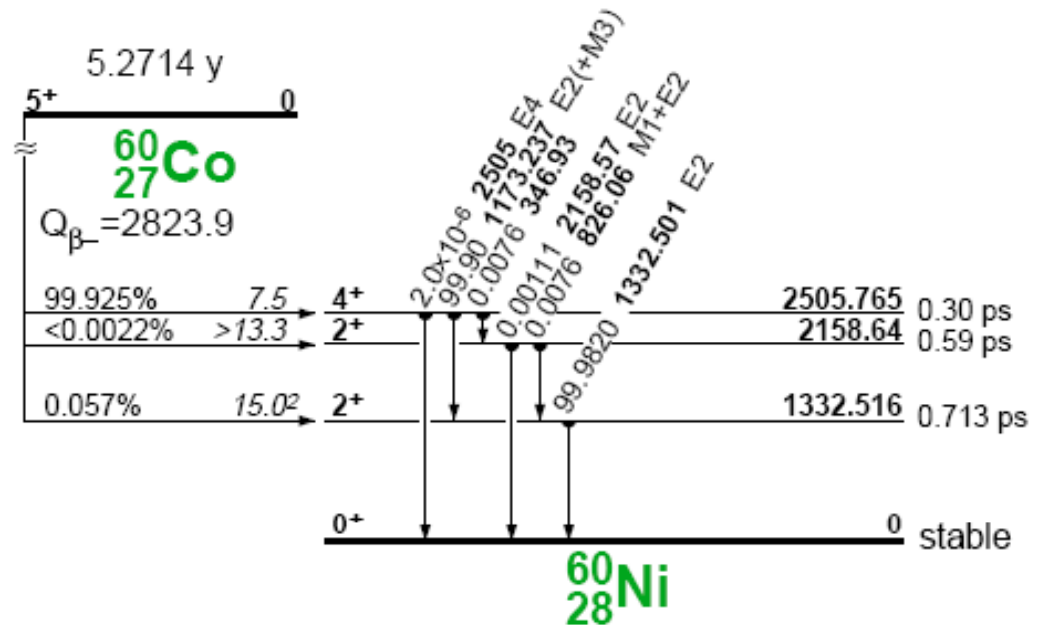
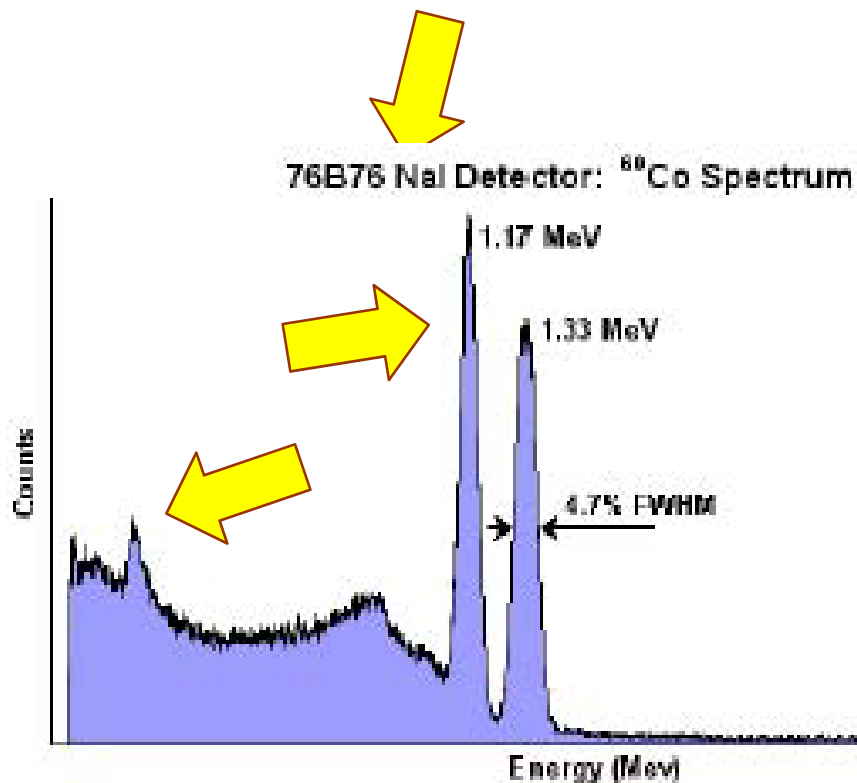
Effect of surrounding material.  
Detectors are normally shielded to minimize as much as possible the counting of ambient background radiation.

X-rays  
and  
lining.



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- Efficiency and resolution.
- Summing effects.



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