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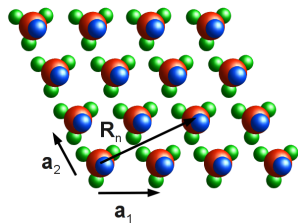
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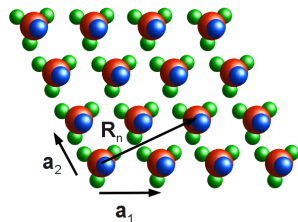
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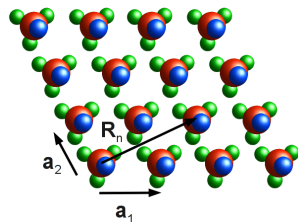


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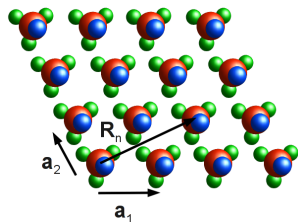
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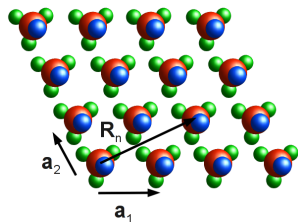
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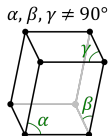
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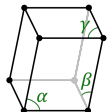
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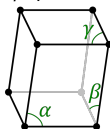
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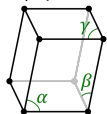
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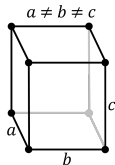
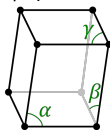
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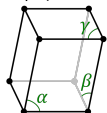
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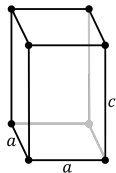
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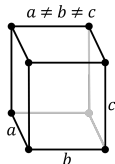
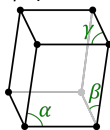
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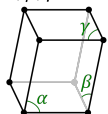
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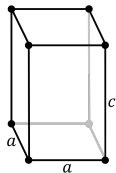
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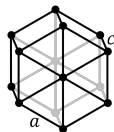
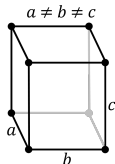
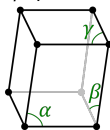
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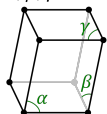
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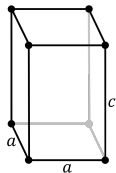
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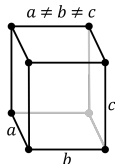
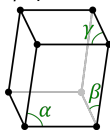
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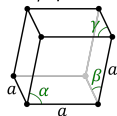
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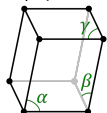
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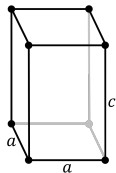
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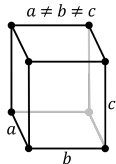
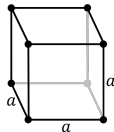
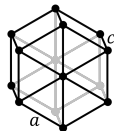
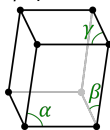
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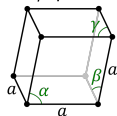
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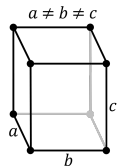


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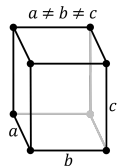
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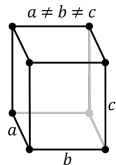
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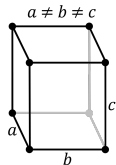


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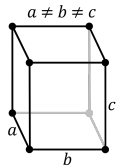
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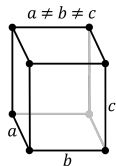
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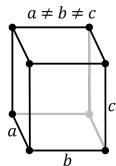
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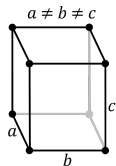
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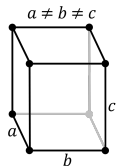
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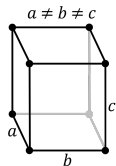
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where h , k , and l are integers called Miller indices

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As we shall see later, this Laue condition, is equivalent to the more typically used Bragg condition for diffraction: $2d \sin \theta = n\lambda$

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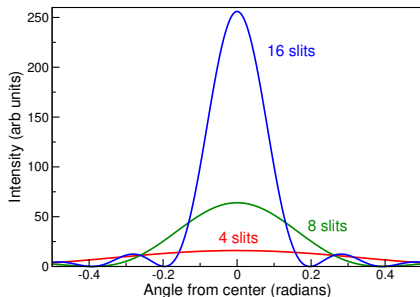
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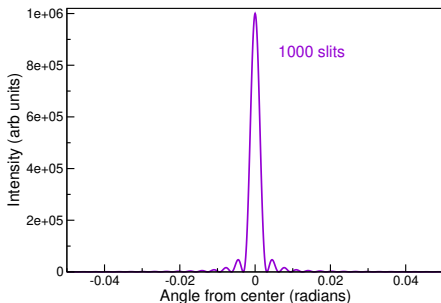
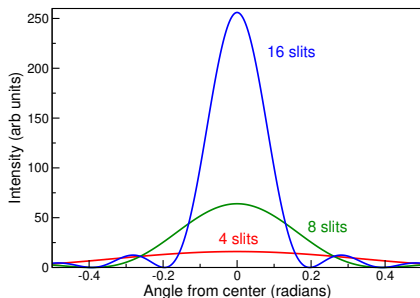
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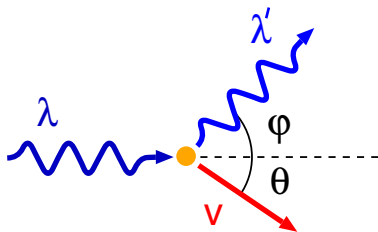


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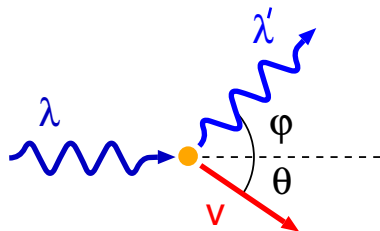
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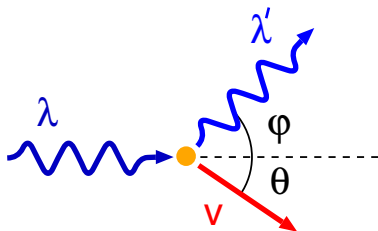
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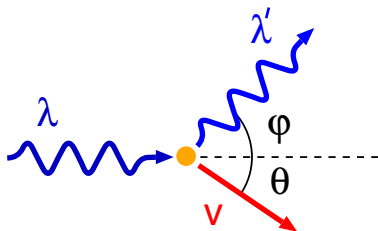


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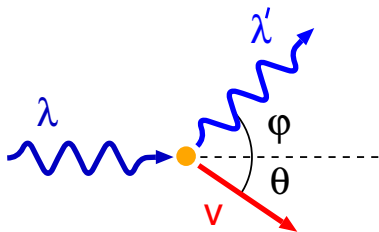
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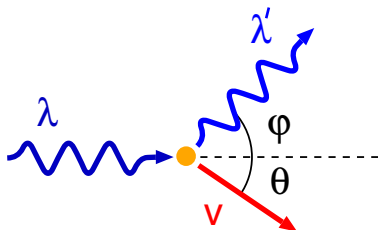


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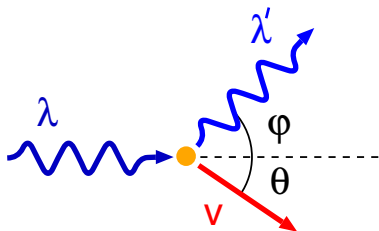
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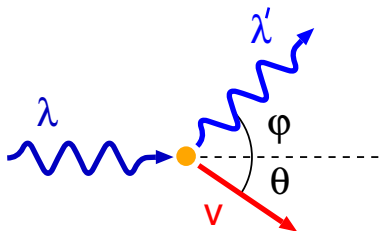
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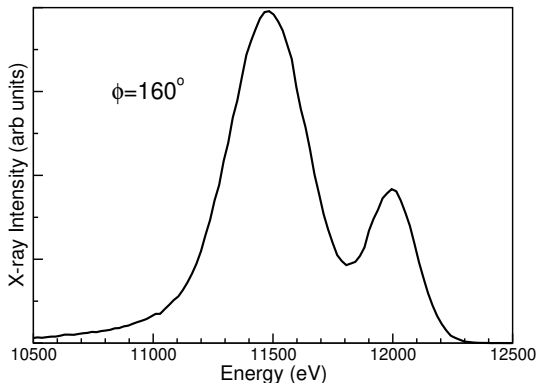
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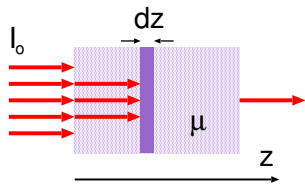
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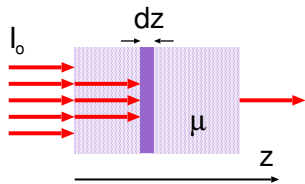
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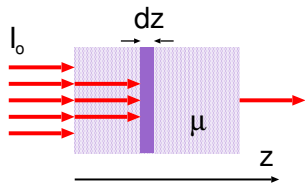


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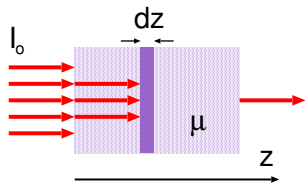
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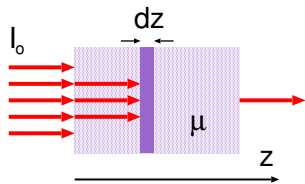
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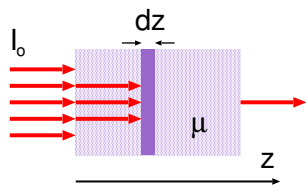


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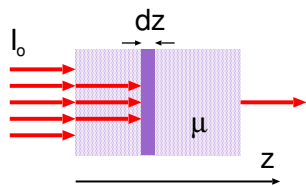
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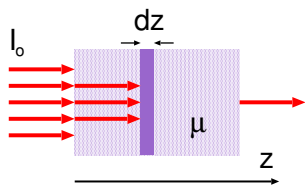
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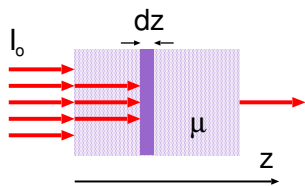
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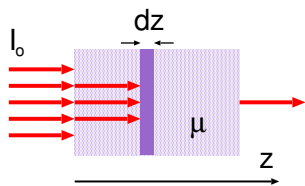
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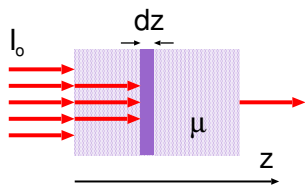
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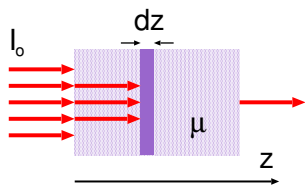
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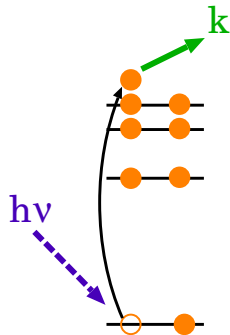
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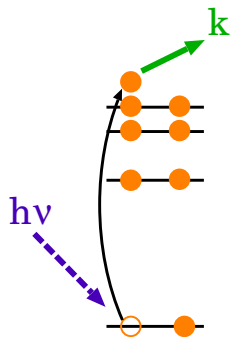
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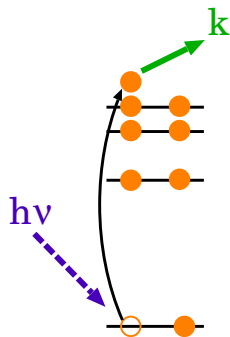
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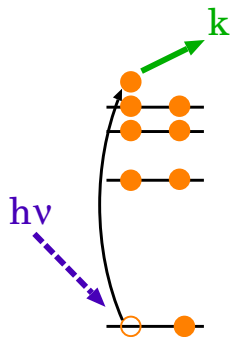
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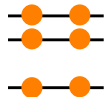
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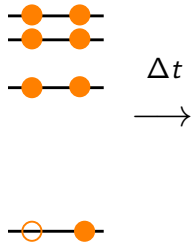
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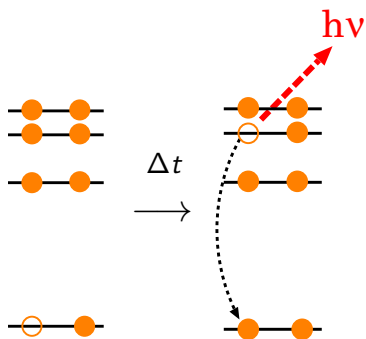
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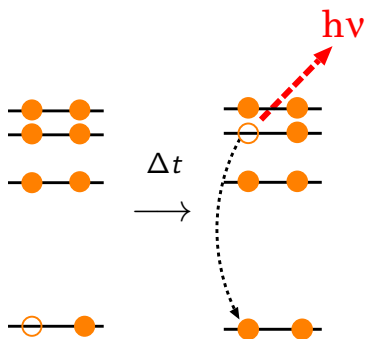
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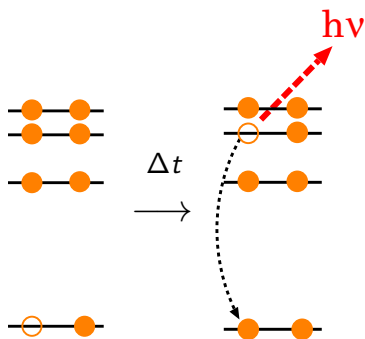
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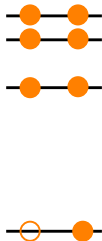
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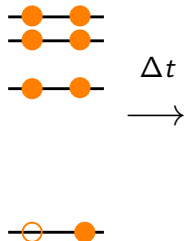
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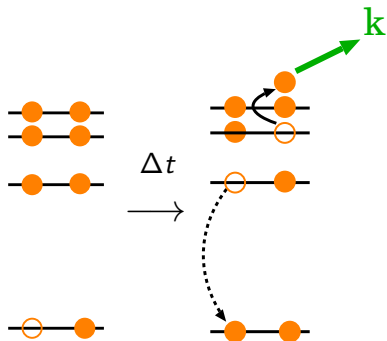
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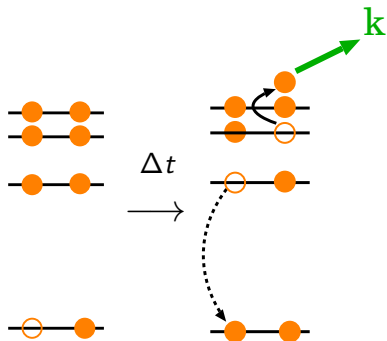
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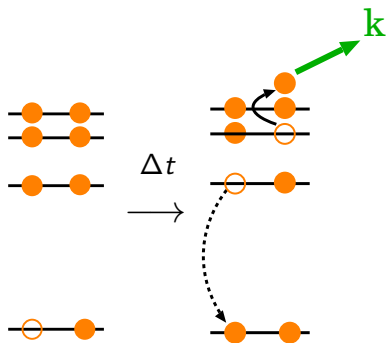
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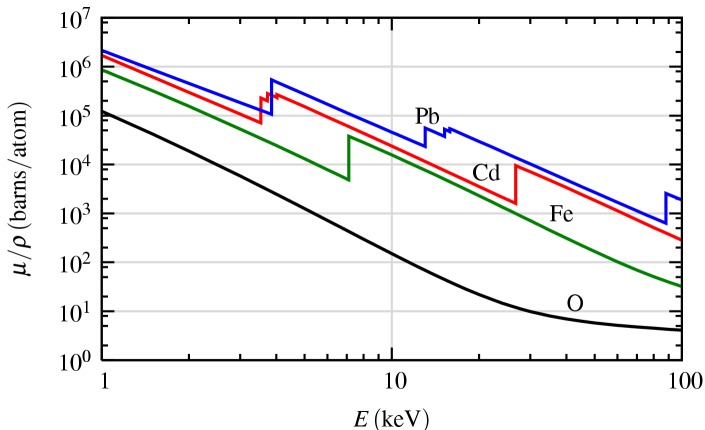
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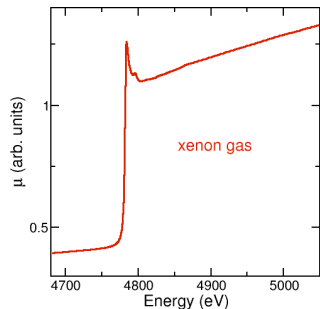
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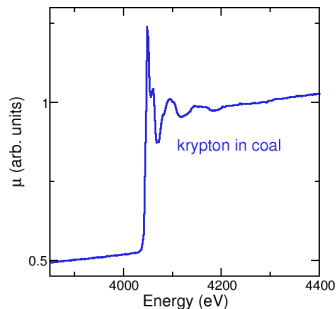
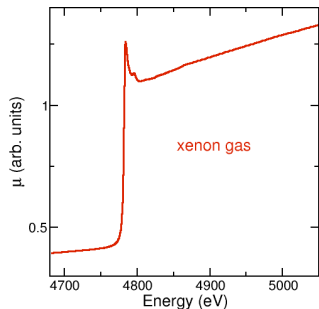
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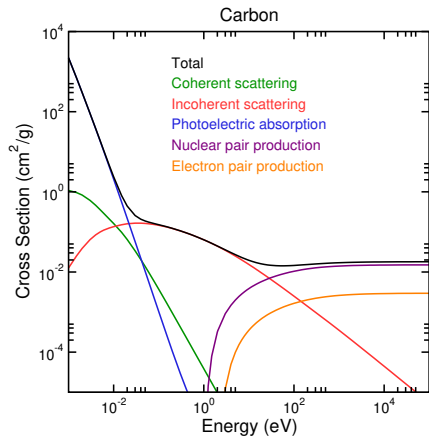
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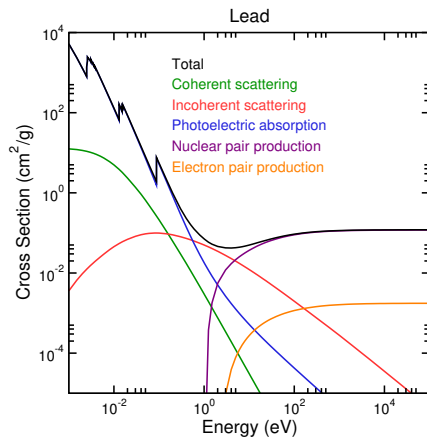
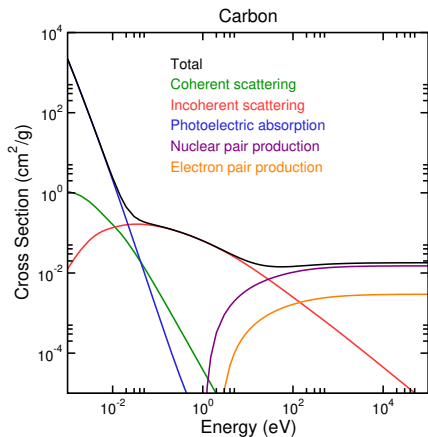
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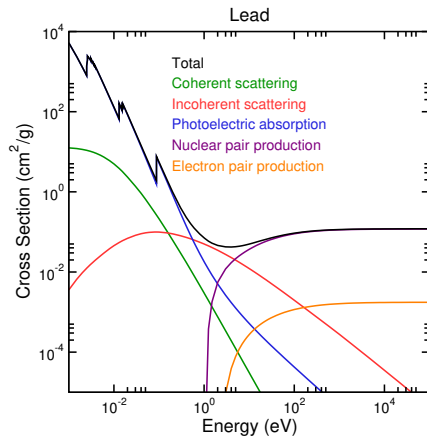
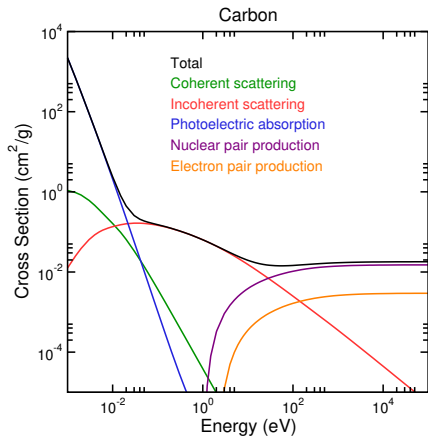
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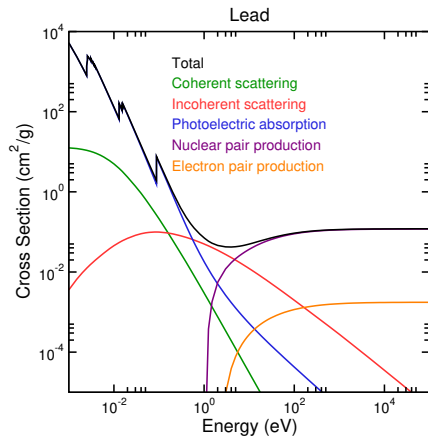
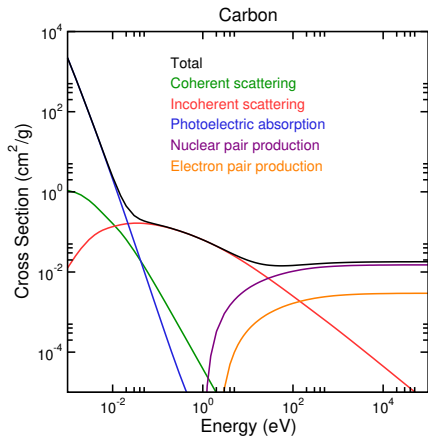


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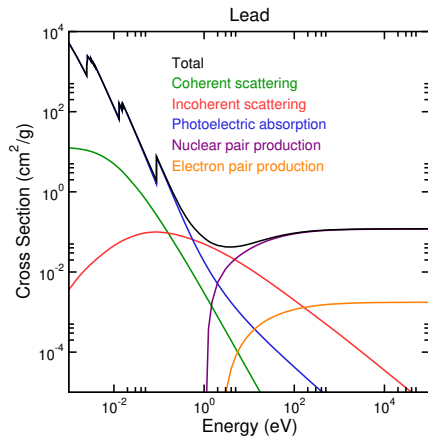
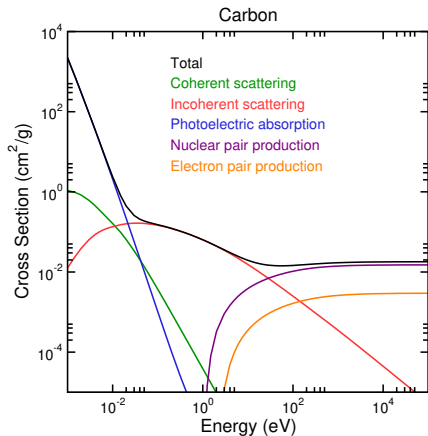
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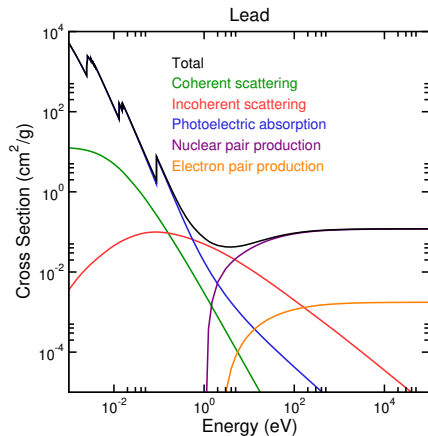
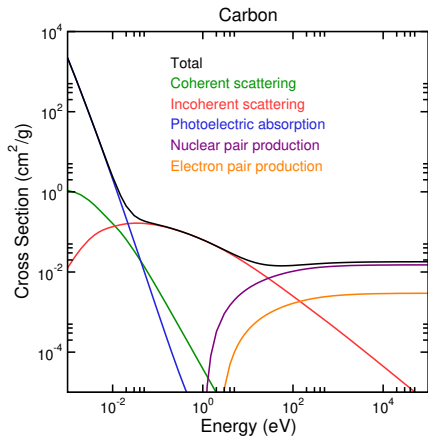


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