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Unitarity and causality bound on the energy radiated by a charged particle passing by a periodic radiator

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Outline

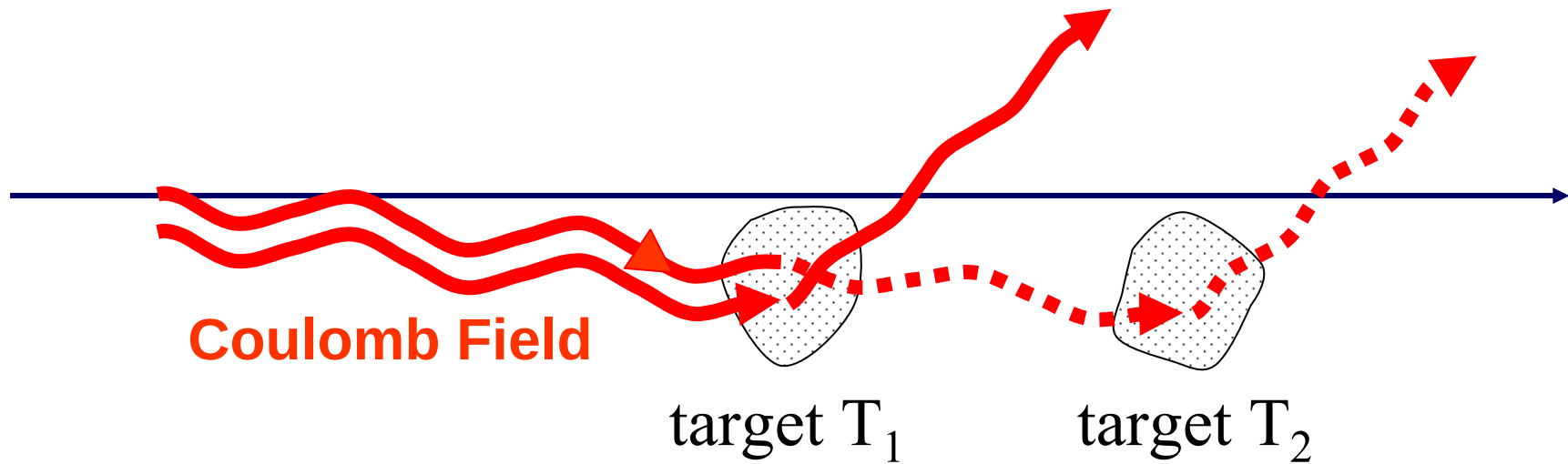
1) *THE SHADOWING ARGUMENT*

- Shadowing of the Coulomb field.
- How it reduces the Smith-Purcell radiation
- Rough estimation of the bound

2) *PRECISE CALCULATION OF THE BOUND*

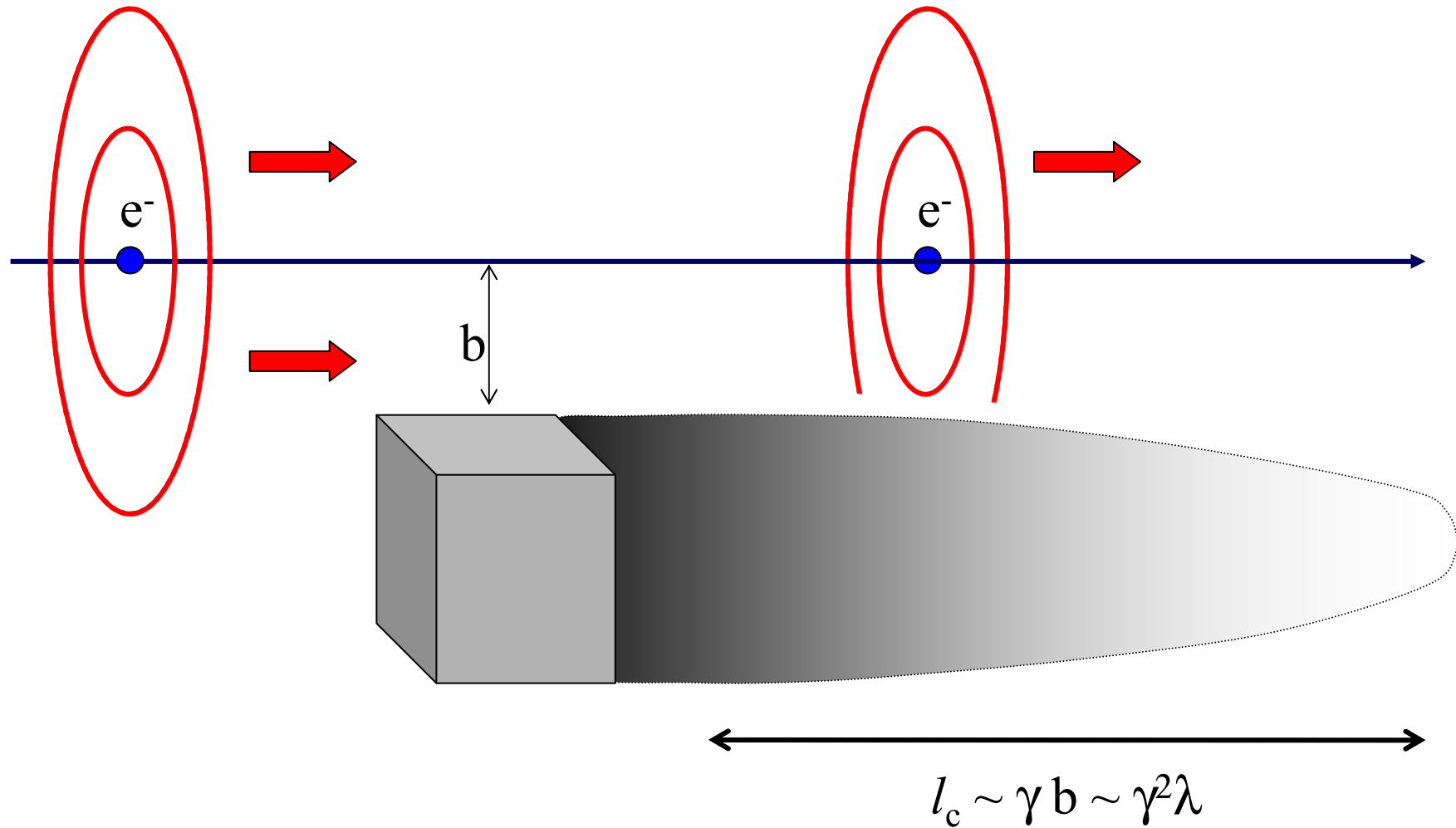
- Retro-action of the radiator due to the reflection of the Coulomb field
- Exponential bound on the reflection coefficient for the ***evanescent*** wave
- Bounds for differential spectrum and the total energy loss.
- Appendix : S-matrix derivation of $|R| \leq 1$ for evanescent waves

Shadowing in Diffraction Radiation (DR)



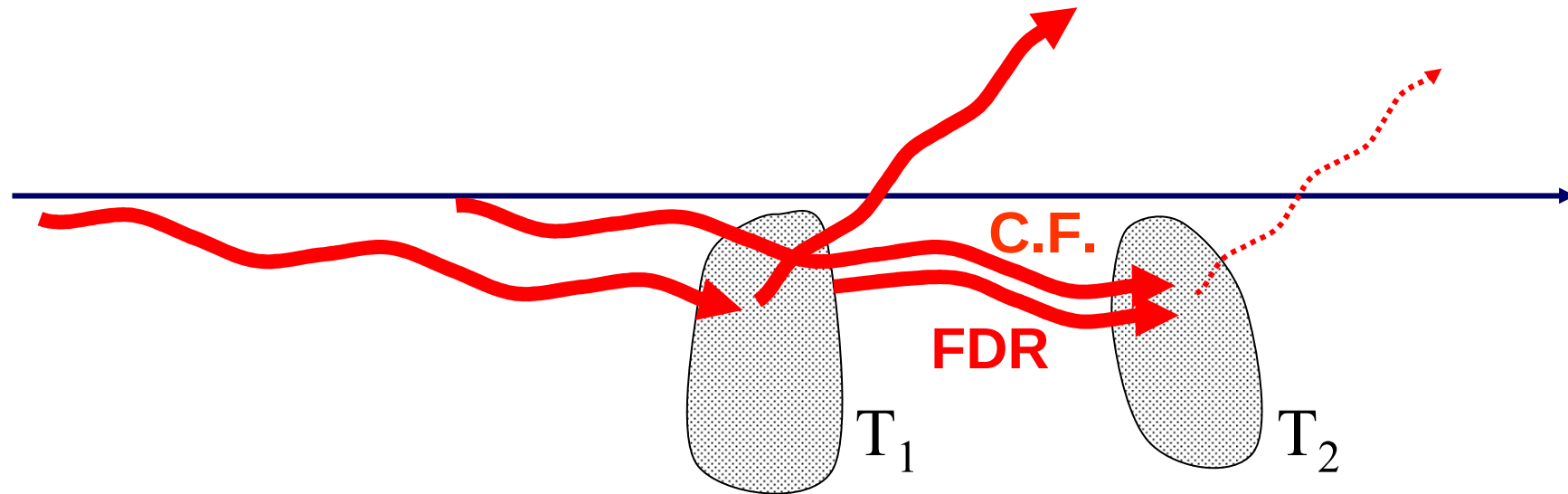
- DR = *scattering of quasi-real photons from the particle field.*
- Here we have **two** targets.
- T₂ is in the **shadow** of T₁,
- therefore radiates **less** than if it was alone.

Extension of the shadowing region



After the distance l_c the Coulomb field is fully restored.

Another point of view



The *Coulomb field* of the particle (**C.F.**) and the *Forward Diffracted Radiation* (**FDR**) from T_1 have opposite phases $\rightarrow$ they *interfere destructively* in T_2

$\rightarrow$ Shadow can be understood as a *rescattering* effect

Experimental proof of shadowing:

RREPS-2009, Moskow, Sept 7-11

“Shadowing” of the electromagnetic field of relativistic charged particles

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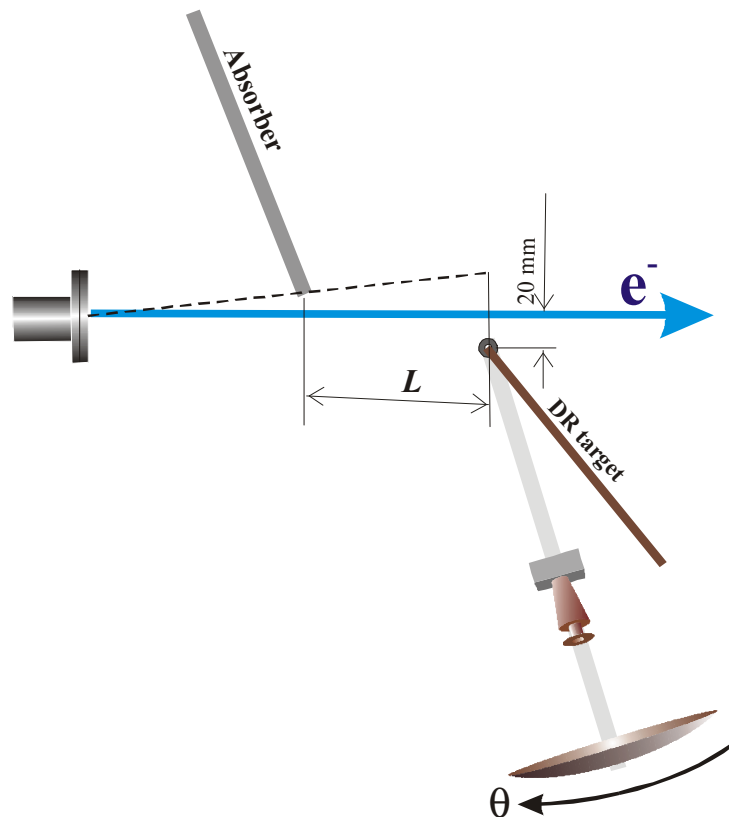
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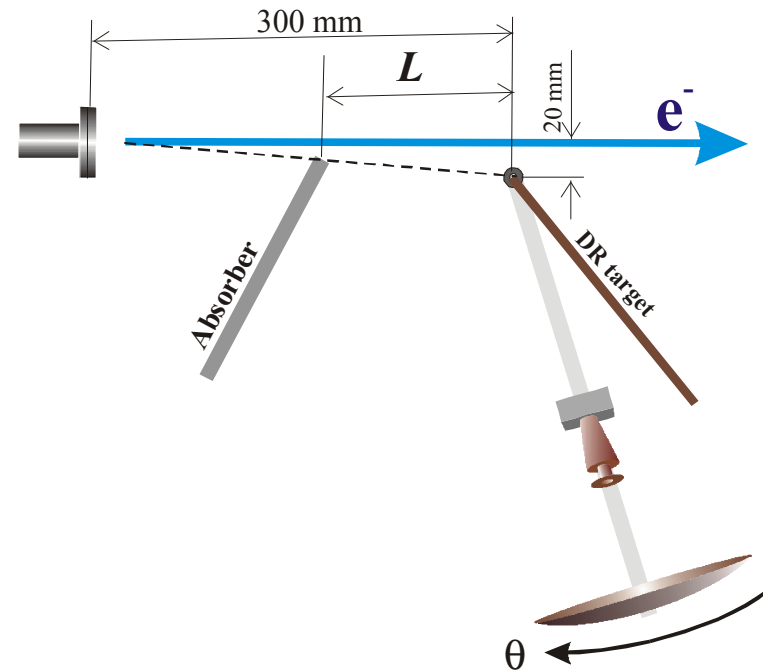
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Two screen configurations

a) opposite sides :
normal DR
→ no shadowing

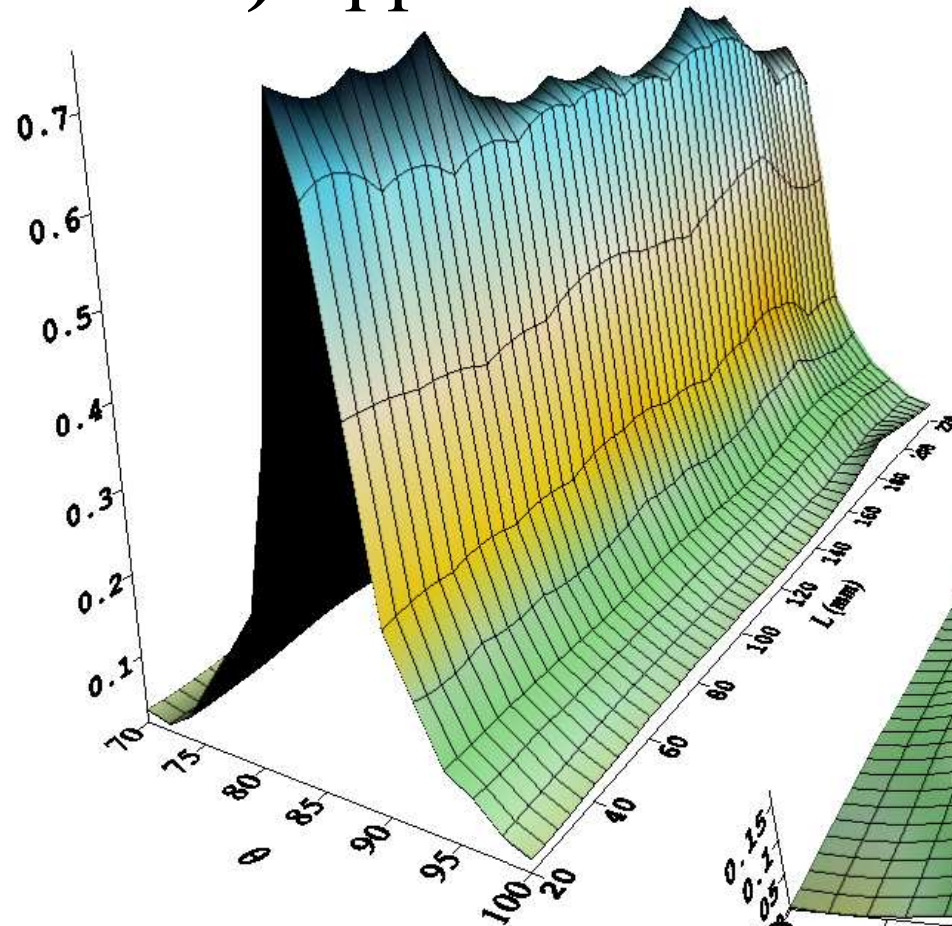


b) same side :
reduced DR
→ shadowing

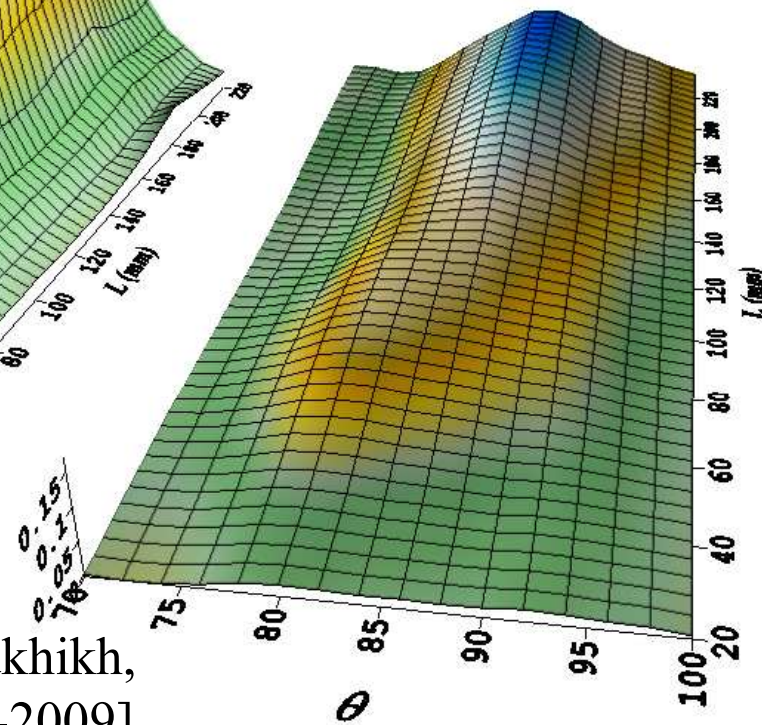


measured angular distribution

a) opposite sides

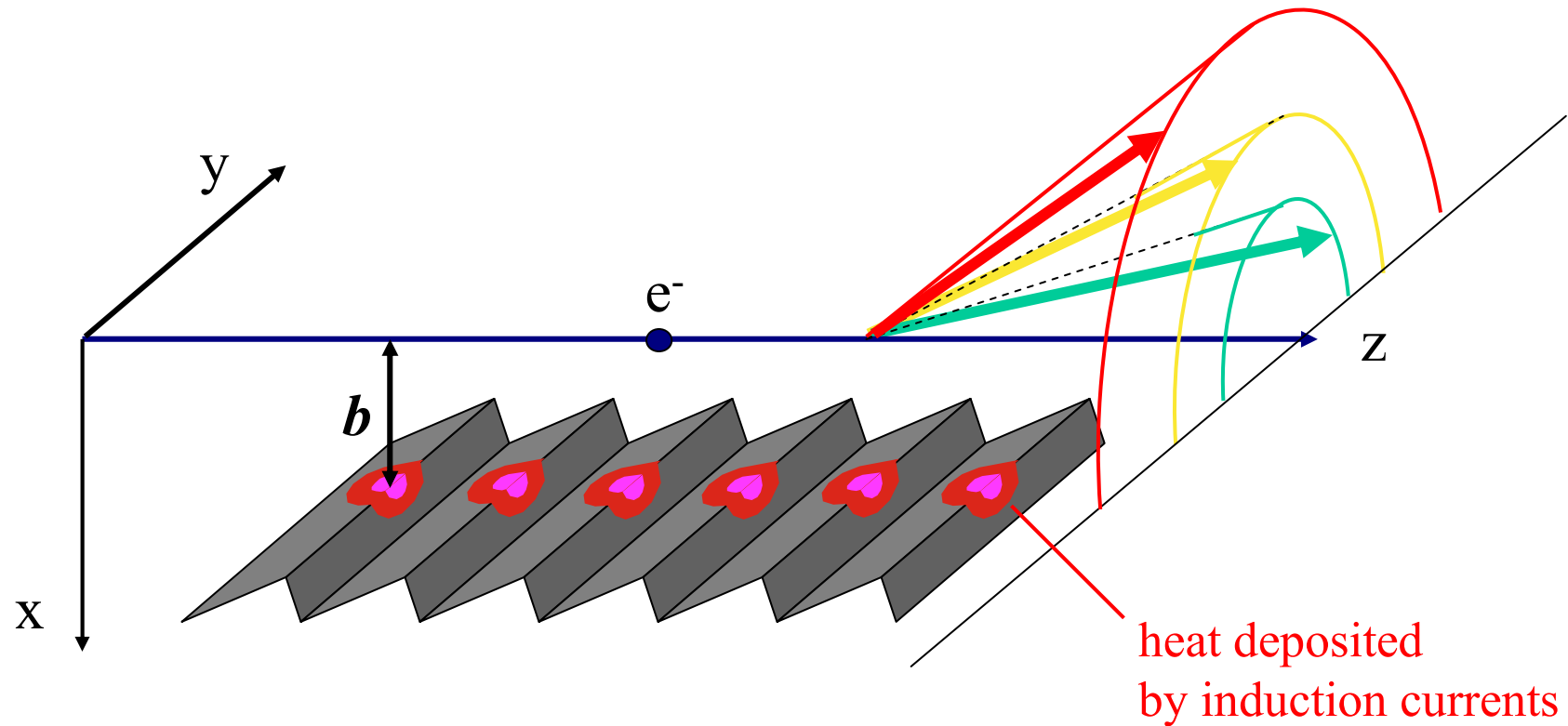


b) same side



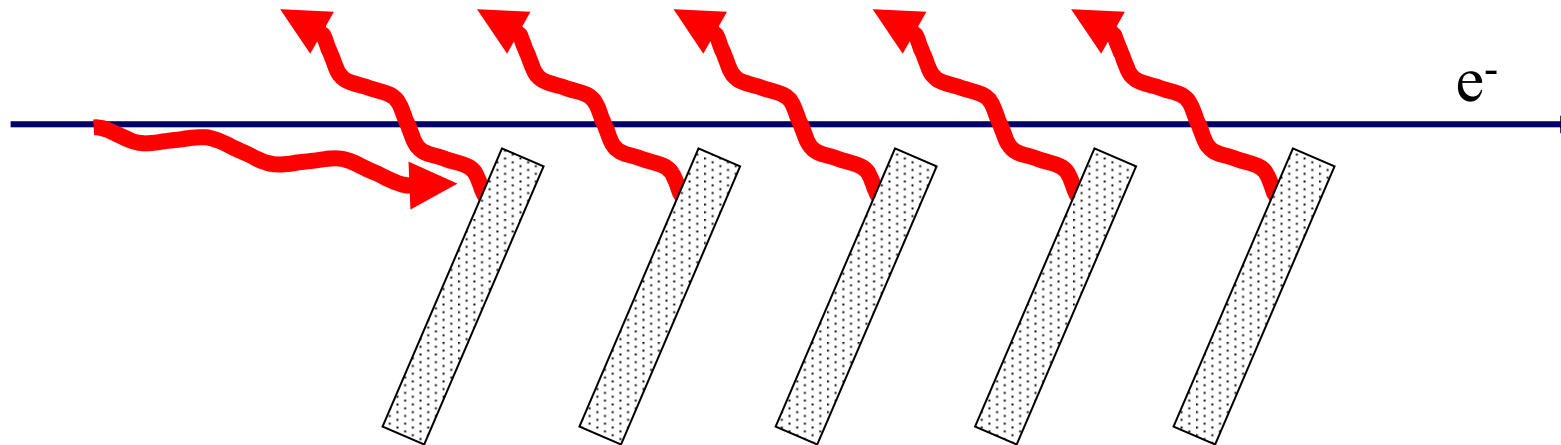
[Naumenko, Artru, Potylitsyn Popov, Sukhikh,
Shevelev, Channeling-2008 and RREPS-2009]

Smith-Purcell radiation : geometry



- $b = \text{impact parameter}$
- the target is periodic in z , uniform in y
- x - axis is toward the target

Shadow effect in Smith-Purcell radiation



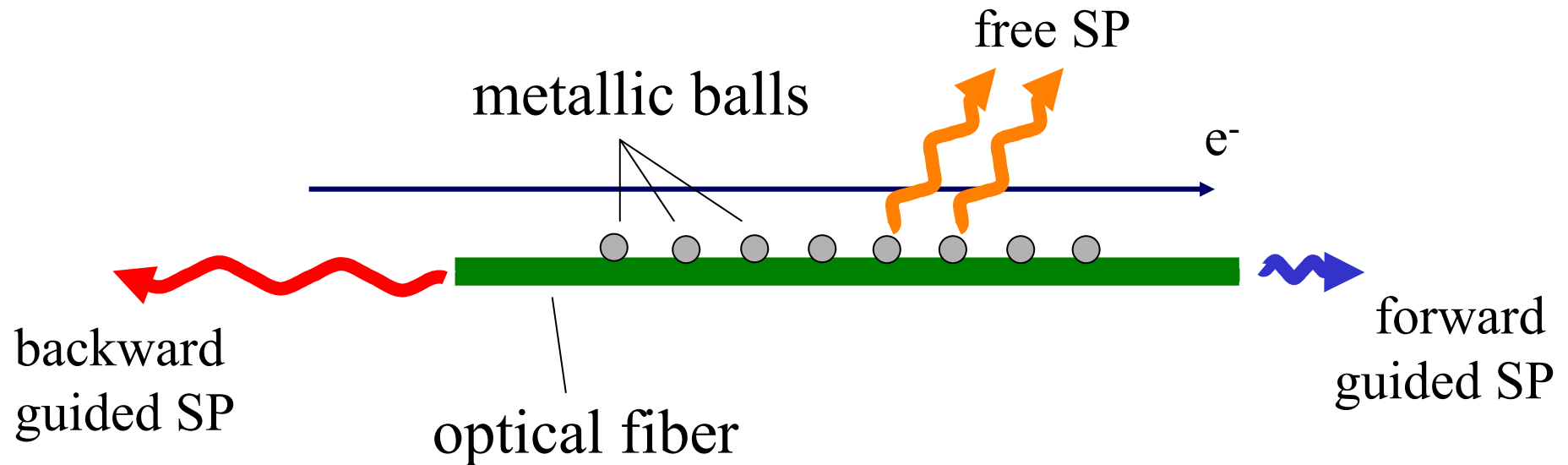
example of SP radiator : a periodic set of foils.

If we take the **addition** of the **single-foil DR amplitudes**, we ignore the shadow effect, therefore we **over-estimate** the SP yield.

→ Shadowing suggests an **upper bound** on Smith-Purcell radiation

Another example of Smith-Purcell radiator

[X.A. & C. Ray, RREPS-2007 - arXiv:0803.0249]



- a *free* or *guided* SP beam can be enhanced by a *plasmon resonance* of the balls.
- intensities are reduced by ***shadowing*** between the balls.

First rough estimation of the bound for SP radiation

- Total energy in *Diffraction Radiation* from a **single foil**:

$$W_1 = 3/8 \gamma \alpha / b \quad (\text{units } \hbar=c=1 ; \alpha=1/137)$$

- optimum spacing = minimum distance to « repair » the Coulomb field:

$$L_{min} = L_c \sim \gamma b \quad (\text{order of magnitude})$$

$$\rightarrow \text{bound } dW/dz \leq W_1 / L_{min} \sim 3/8 \alpha / b^2 \quad (\text{order of magnitude})$$

- This bound is independent on γ , on the radiator material
- it applies to the *total* energy loss,

$$W = \text{radiated energy} + \text{absorbed energy}.$$

Preliminary conclusion

There should be a universal bound on the *braking force*,

$$dW/dz \leq C \alpha / b^2, \text{ where } C \text{ is of the order of unity,}$$

independent of

- the spatial period and material of the radiator,
- the electron momentum

The bound applies to the *total* energy loss,

$$W = \text{radiated energy} + \text{absorbed energy}.$$

For an electron passing through a *cylindrical corridor* of radius r , we expect

$$dW/dz \leq C' \alpha / r^2, \text{ with } C' > C$$

R. Chehab : such a bound may apply to electrons passing through iris diaphragms in accelerating cavities.

Exact calculations. Coulomb and reflected fields

Particle Coulomb field :

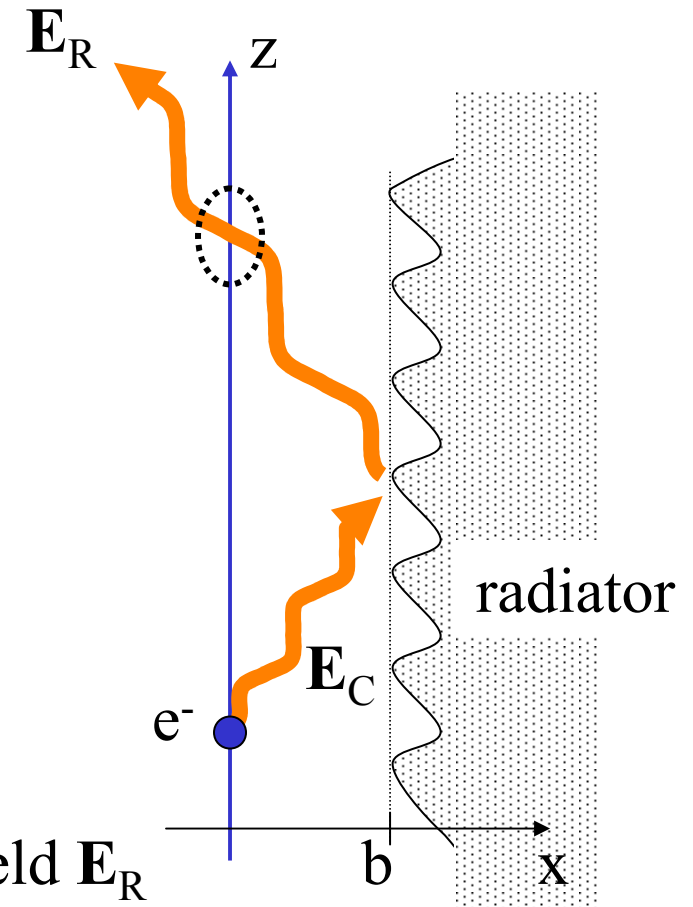
$$\mathbf{E}_C(t,x,y,z) = (e/4\pi) \gamma$$

$$\times [(x^2 + y^2 + \gamma^2(z-vt)^2)^{-3/2} \{ x, y, z-vt \}]$$

Total field in the region $x < b$:

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_C + \mathbf{E}_R$$

The particle is decelerated by the *reflected* field $\mathbf{E}_R$



Space-time periodicity

$$\mathbf{E}(t,x,y,z) = \mathbf{E}(t+\textcolor{blue}{L/v}, x, y, z+\textcolor{red}{L}) \quad (\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_C \text{ or } \mathbf{E}_R)$$

$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$

e⁻ travelling time
between two groves spatial radiator period

In 4-momentum space (ω, k_x, k_y, k_z) , we have discrete k_z :

$$k_z = \omega/v + n G, \quad \text{with } G = 2\pi/L$$

For the Coulomb field : $n = 0$, $k_z = \omega/v$



(phase velocity $\omega/k_z =$ electron velocity)

Klein-Gordon equation in momentum space

$$\omega^2 = k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2$$

$$\rightarrow k_x = \pm (\omega^2 - k_y^2 - k_z^2)^{1/2}$$

↓
 $\omega/v + nG$

The *sign* of k_x^2 depends on n , ω and k_y

$k_x^2 > 0$: $k_x = \text{real}$; for Smith-Purcell radiation, $k_x > 0$

$k_x^2 < 0$: $k_x = \text{pure imaginary} = \pm i \kappa$ (evanescent wave)

⇓

This is the case for $n = 0$, with $\kappa = (k_y^2 + \omega^2/(\gamma v)^2)^{1/2}$

Fourier decomposition in the region $x \in [0, b]$

$$\mathbf{E}^{(\text{TM})}(t, x, y, z) = (2\pi)^{-2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\omega \exp(-i\omega t)$$

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp(ik_z z) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk_y \exp(ik_y y)$$

$$\sum_{\text{sign of } k_x} \exp(ik_x x) \underbrace{\{ -k_x k_z, -k_y k_z, \mathbf{k}_T^2 \}}_{\text{TM polarisation vector}}$$

$$\times F(\omega, k_x, k_y, n)$$

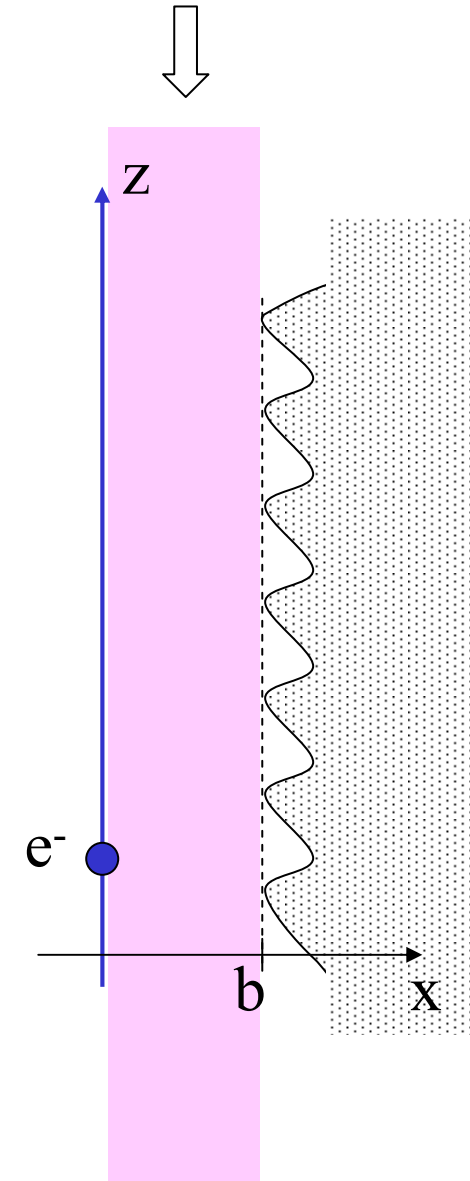
$$\text{with } k_z = \omega/v + nG$$

$$k_x = \pm (\omega^2 - k_y^2 - k_z^2)^{1/2},$$

$$\mathbf{k}_T^2 = k_x^2 + k_y^2$$

TM = “transverse magnetic”

(there is a similar formula for the TE polarisation)



Various reflected waves (denoted “R-waves”)

Evanescent R-wave

$k_x = -i\kappa$ (evanescent toward left).

The $n=0$, R-wave decelerates the electron.

Escaping R-wave (Smith-Purcell)

k_x real,

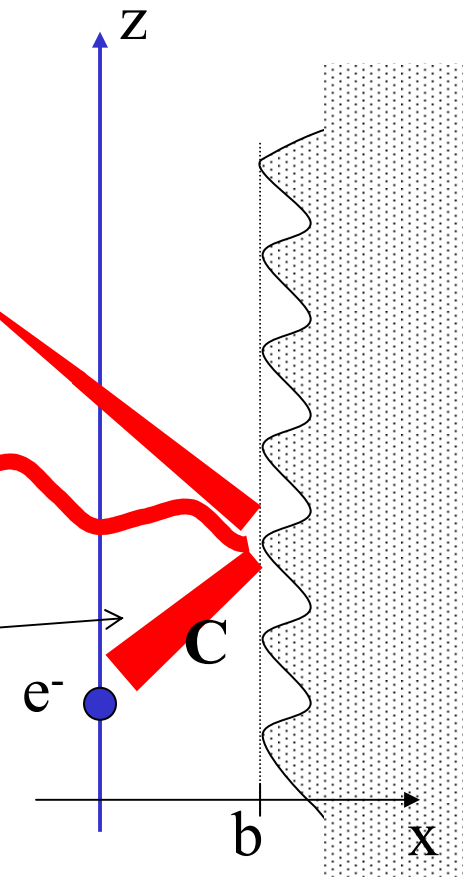
$k_x/\omega < 0$ (propagating to the left)

Coulomb field

$n = 0 \rightarrow k_z = \omega/v$;

$k_x = +i\kappa$ (evanescent toward right),

with $\kappa = (k_y^2 + \omega^2/(\gamma v)^2)^{1/2}$



The reflection matrix

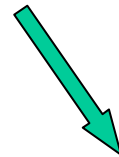
The reflection can change k_z (*diffraction*) : the reflection coefficient is a *matrix* $\langle n' | R | n \rangle$ in the discrete k_z space.

The polarisation, $\varepsilon = \text{TM}$ or TE , can also change. The full matrix writes
 $\langle n', \varepsilon' | R(\omega, k_y) | n, \varepsilon \rangle$ (multi-channel reflection)

The Coulomb field and the decelerating wave have both $n = 0$, $\varepsilon = \text{TM}$
→ we are interested only in the *diagonal element*

$$\langle 0, \text{TM} | R(\omega, k_y) | 0, \text{TM} \rangle$$

The decelerating wave is then



$$F_R(\omega, k'_x = -i\kappa, k_y, n=0) = R(\omega, k_y) F_C(\omega, k_x = i\kappa, k_y, n=0)$$

$$\text{with } \kappa = (k_y^2 + \omega^2/(\gamma v)^2)^{1/2}$$

Preliminary expression for the deceleration

- Energy loss $\langle dW/dz \rangle = e \langle E_z \rangle = e (2\pi)^{-2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\omega \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk_y$
 $\times \mathbf{k}_T^2 R(\omega, \mathbf{k}_y) F_C(\omega, k_x=i\kappa, k_y, n=0)$

- $n=0 \rightarrow \mathbf{k}_T^2 = -\omega^2/(\gamma v)^2$ and $\kappa = (k_y^2 + \omega^2/(\gamma v)^2)^{1/2}$

- Fourier amplitude of the Coulomb field :

$$F_C(\omega, k_x=i\kappa, k_y, n=0) = -ie/(2\omega\kappa)$$

$$\rightarrow \langle dW/dz \rangle = 2ie^2 (4\pi \gamma v)^{-2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\omega \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk_y (\omega/\kappa) \mathbf{R}(\omega, \mathbf{k}_y)$$

We just need a bound on this reflection coefficient....

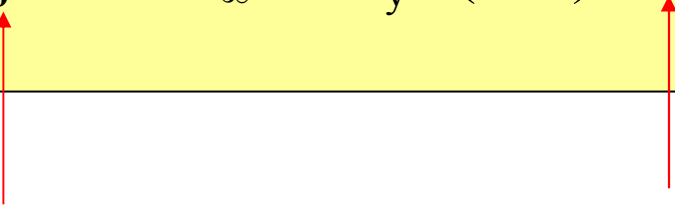


Reduction to positive frequencies

$E(t,x,y,z)$ is *real*. For the Fourier components, it implies

$$f(\omega, k_x, k_y, n) = f^*(-\omega, -k_x, -k_y, -n)$$

It allows us to use only **positive** frequencies :

$$\langle dW/dz \rangle = - e^2 (2\pi \gamma v)^{-2} \int_0^{+\infty} d\omega \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk_y (\omega/\kappa) \operatorname{Im} R(\omega, k_y)$$


Exponential damping of the reflection coefficient

$R(\omega, k_y)$ is defined as (reflected wave) / (incoming wave), **where the waves are measured at $x=0$.**

If we measure the waves at $x=b$, we have another coefficient,

$$R_b(\omega, k_y) = \exp(-2ik_x b) R(\omega, k_y)$$

For $k_x = i\kappa$, $R_b(\omega, k_y) = \exp(2\kappa b) R(\omega, k_y)$

For *real* k_x we have the **unitarity bound**

$$|R(\omega, k_y)| \leq 1, \quad |R_b(\omega, k_y)| \leq 1$$

Causality $\rightarrow$ *analyticity* in $\omega \rightarrow$ this bound extends to *evanescent* waves (details in appendix later). Therefore

$$|R(\omega, k_y)| \leq \exp(-2\kappa b)$$

Final results for the bounds

$$\langle dW/dz \rangle \leq (\alpha/\pi) (\gamma v)^{-2} \int_0^{+\infty} d\omega \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk_y (\omega/\kappa) \exp(-2\kappa b)$$

$$(\alpha = e^2/4\pi = 1/137)$$

→ *frequency-angle* spectrum of Smith-Purcell radiation

$$\langle d^3W/dz d\omega dk_y \rangle \leq (\alpha/\pi) (\gamma v)^{-2} (\omega/\kappa) \exp(-2\kappa b)$$

→ *frequency* spectrum

$$\langle d^2W/dz d\omega \rangle \leq (2\alpha/\pi) (\gamma v)^{-2} \omega K_0(2\omega b/\gamma v)$$

→ *total energy loss* (radiation + heating by induction currents)

$$\langle dW/dz \rangle \leq \alpha/(2\pi) b^{-2}$$

The bound in practical units

The maximum braking force $F_{\max} = \alpha/(2\pi) b^{-2}$ is the same as produced by a fictitious positron at distance $(2\pi)^{1/2} b$ behind the electron, in the electron rest frame.

For $b = a_0$ (Bohr radius), this braking power is 0.82 GeV/cm.

For $b = 1$ mm, it becomes 0.23 eV/kilometre

An electron beam of 1 ampere, flying 1 mm above a radiator, delivers a maximum (radiated or absorbed) linear power of $2.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ watt per metre (if there is no microbunching).

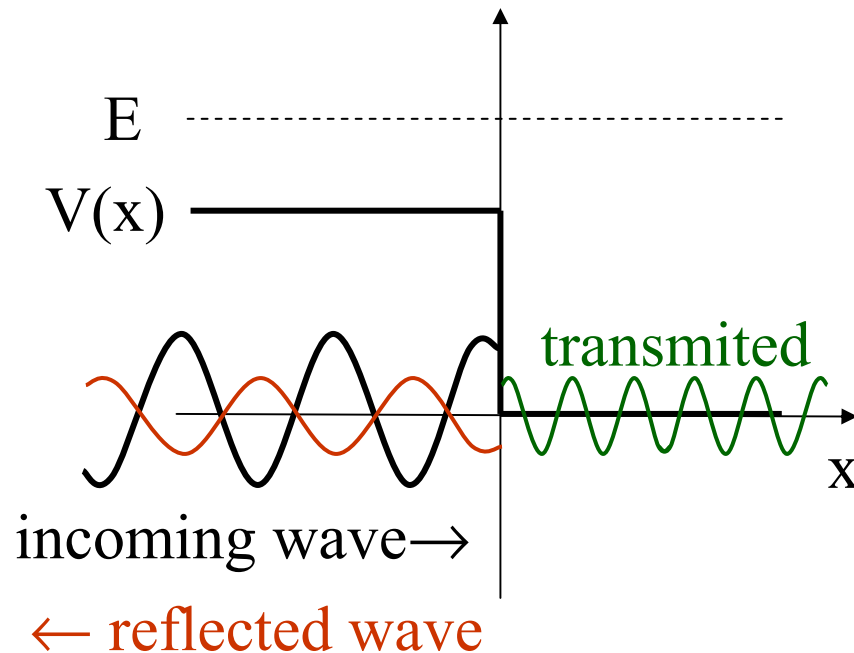
Appendix : generalisation of $|R_b(\omega, k_y)| \leq 1$ to evanescent waves

1) Check with the Schrödinger equation for a step-wise potential

propagating incoming wave :

$$R(E) = (k_{\text{in}} - k_{\text{tr}}) / (k_{\text{in}} + k_{\text{tr}})$$

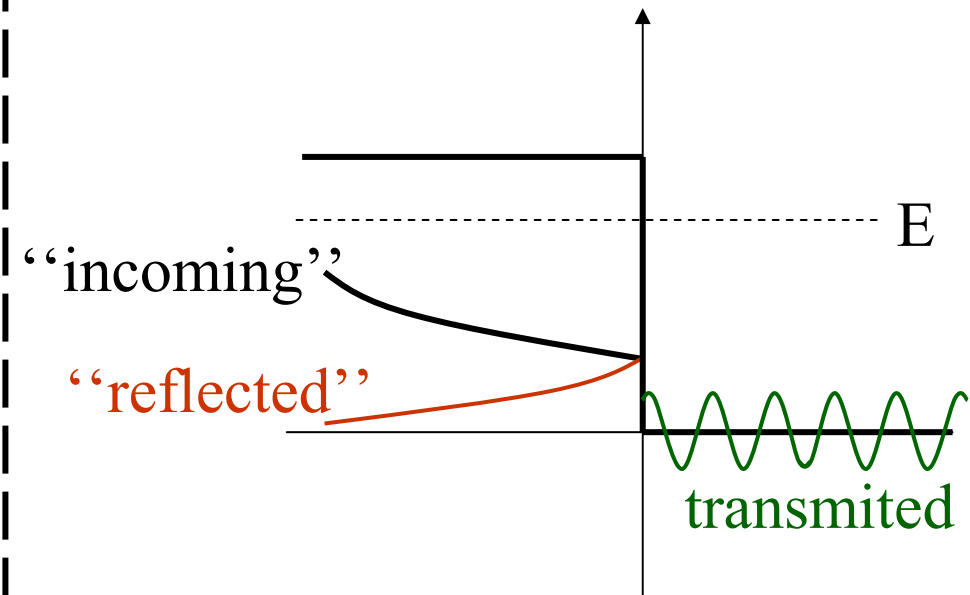
$$\rightarrow |R(E)| \leq 1$$



evanescent “incoming” wave :

$$R(E) = (\kappa + ik_{\text{tr}}) / (\kappa - ik_{\text{tr}})$$

$$\rightarrow |R(E)| = 1$$



2) “S-matrix” proof

- fix k_y and k_z ; re-write k_x as $\mathbf{k} = i (M^2 - \omega^2)^{1/2}$, with $M^2 = k_y^2 + k_z^2$
- call $\mathbf{R}(\omega)$ the reflection coefficient for $(k_x, k_y, k_z) \rightarrow (-k_x, k_y, k_z)$

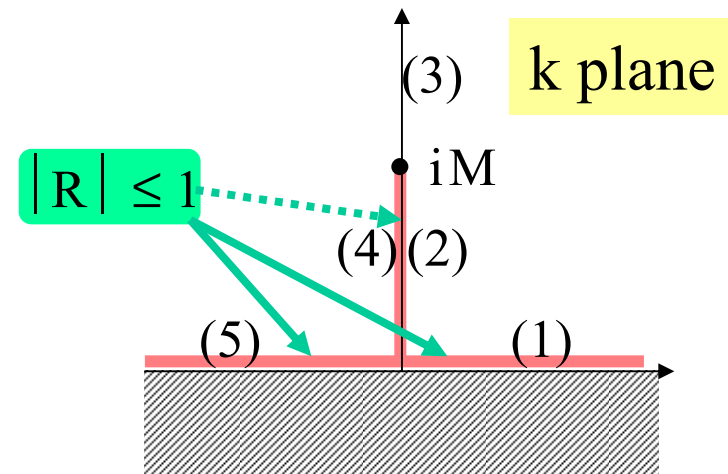
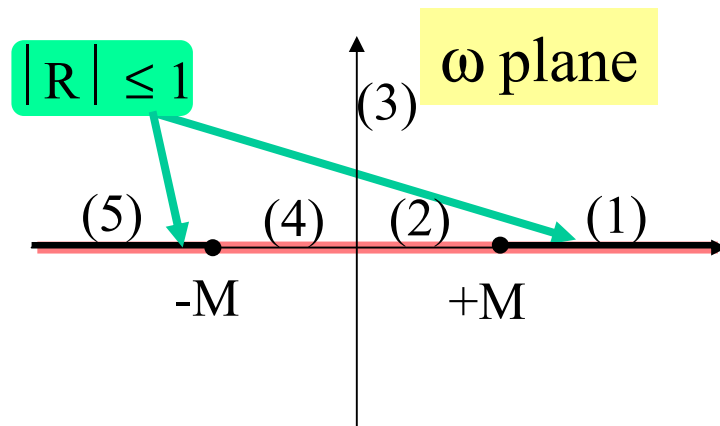
Causality : a reflected signal cannot exist **before** the incident signal

→ $R(\omega)$ is **analytic** in the half-plane $\text{Im}(\omega) > 0$

→ analytic in $\mathbf{k}$ in the **half-plane** $\text{Im}(\mathbf{k}) > 0$

... EXCEPT PERHAPS ON THE VERTICAL PINK SEGMENT !...

- R is **continuous** in k (to check) → R analytic in k in the **whole** half-plane
- $R \rightarrow 0$ when $\omega \rightarrow \infty$
- $|R(\omega)|$ is maximum on the **frontier** of the analytical domain
then $|R(\omega)| \leq 1$ **in the whole half-plane** $\text{Im}(\mathbf{k}) > 0$



About the role of causality

Relativistic causality : no signal, no influence can be faster than c .

→ The reaction of the radiator medium occurs when the electron has almost passed. This is one of the deep reasons for the bound.

Military comparison : *To stop the invasion by a foreign aircraft, our defense needs fast communications and weapons. Unfortunately, our communications and bullets have finite speed c . This fact limits the stopping power of our defense*

foreign aircraft $\leftrightarrow$ incoming electron

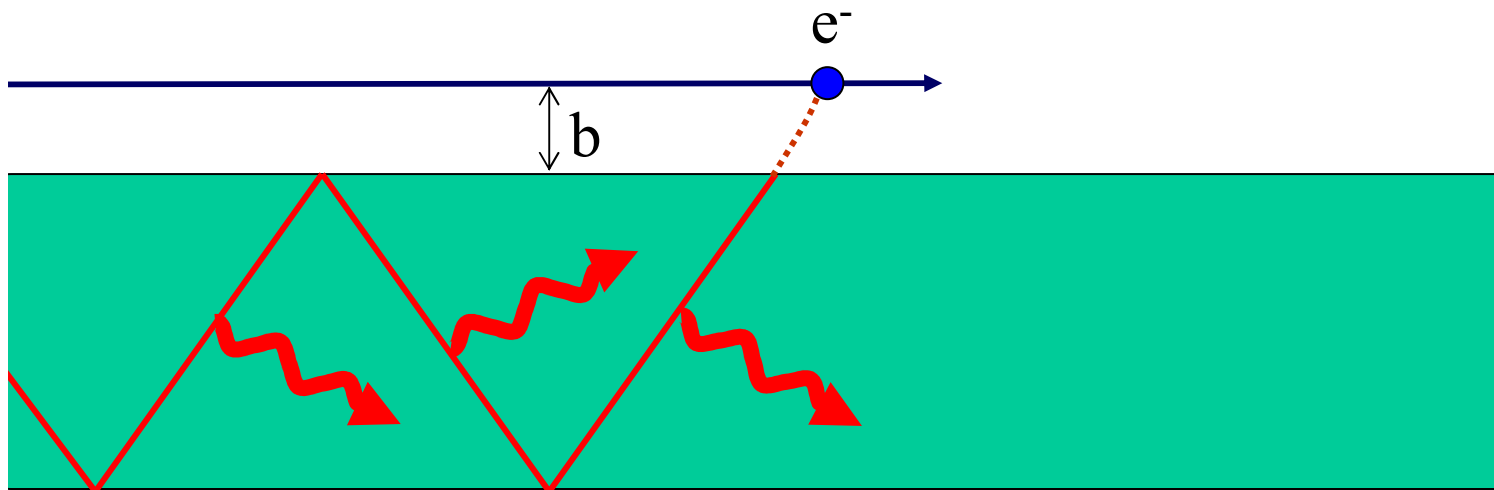
soldiers $\leftrightarrow$ electrons of the target material

communications, bullets $\leftrightarrow$ photons

stopping power $\leftrightarrow$ energy loss

Questions and perspectives

- Is the bound $\langle dW/dz \rangle \leq \alpha/(2\pi) b^{-2}$ the ultimate one ?
- Can it be saturated ? (e.g., by an electron flying over a resistive plane ?)
- if the radiator is *non-uniform in y* : same bound or a weaker one ?
- Find the bound for a *cylindrical corridor* $\rightarrow$ application to accelerating structures (Chehab's suggestion) and to hyper-channelled particles (e.g. the uranium ions of C. Ray's talk).
- Check the bound for the « distant Cherenkov » effect



Résumé

1. The shadowing of the electron electromagnetic field by a piece of matter, experimentally established, suggests a bound in $\propto b^{-2}$ for Smith-Purcell radiation power.
2. From unitarity and causality, exact expressions for this bound have been obtained,
 - for the differential spectrum in ω or (ω, k_y)
 - for the total energy loss or “braking force” dW/dz
1. The braking force bound $\propto/(2\pi b^2)$ includes the energy deposit in the target and, for a dielectric target, the distant Cherenkov effect.

Thank you for your attention and patience !