

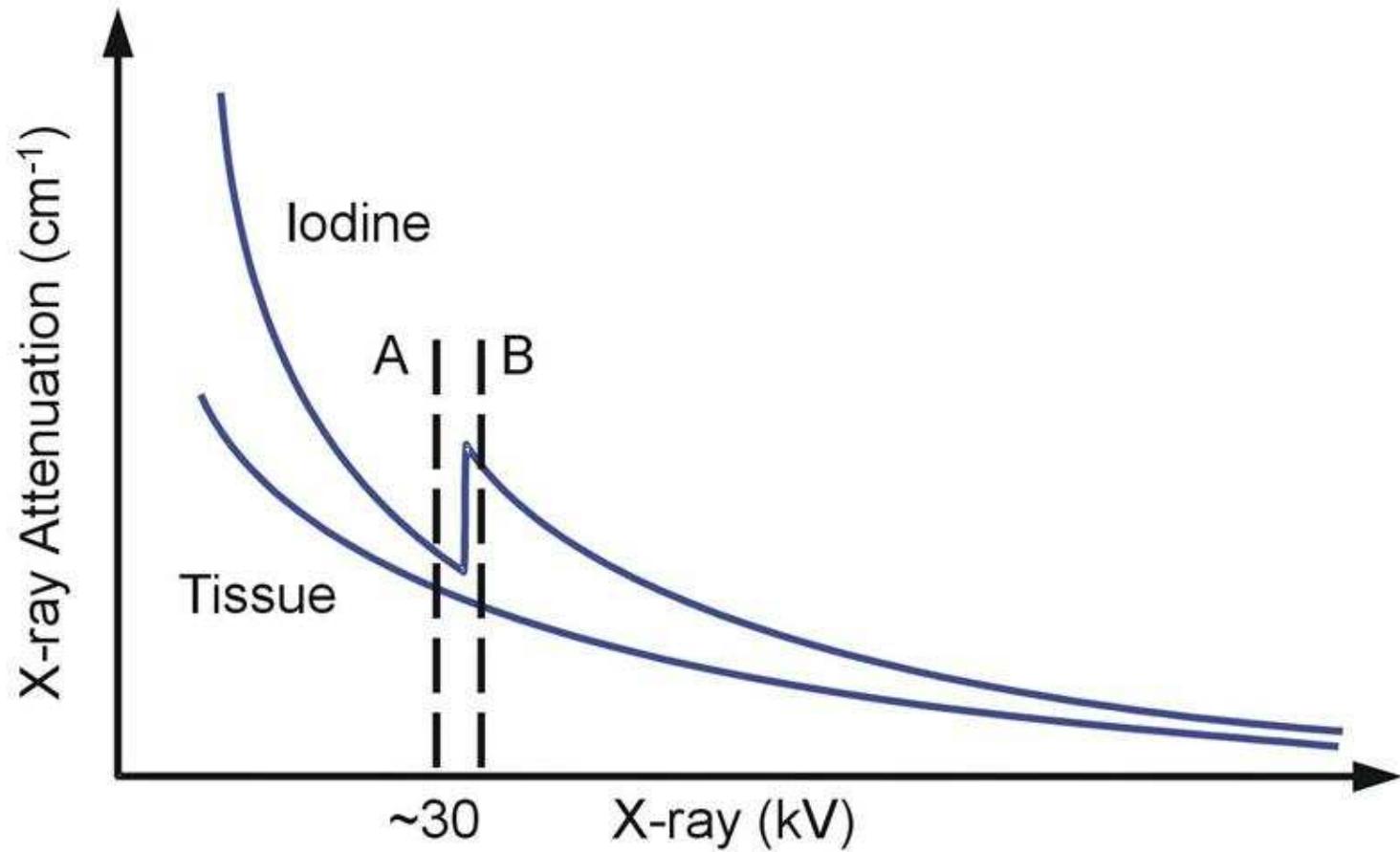
# Spectral X-ray Implications for Attenuation and Scatter-based Tomography

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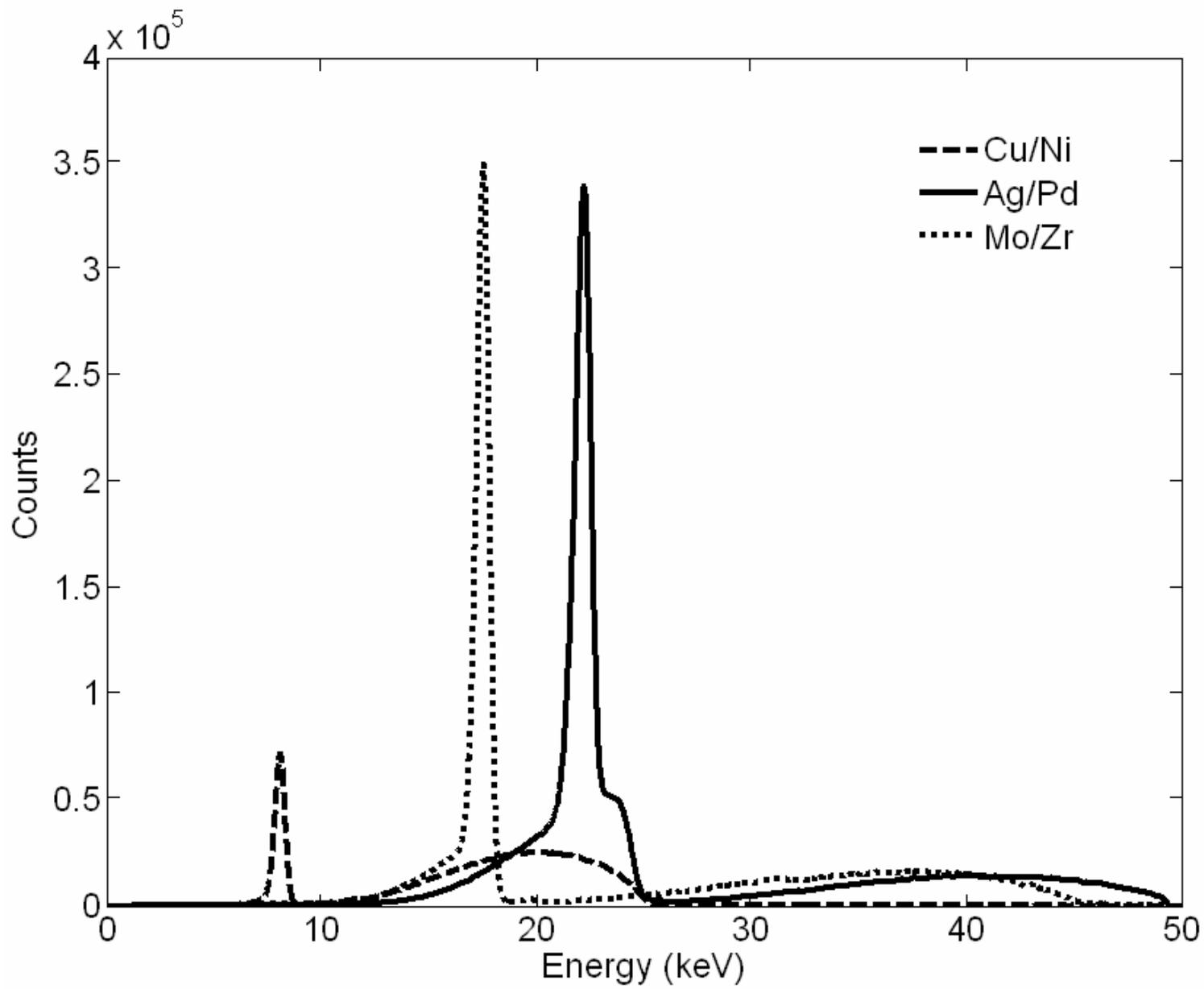
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## Dual Energy Subtraction

( Use of Kedge of x-ray attenuation )



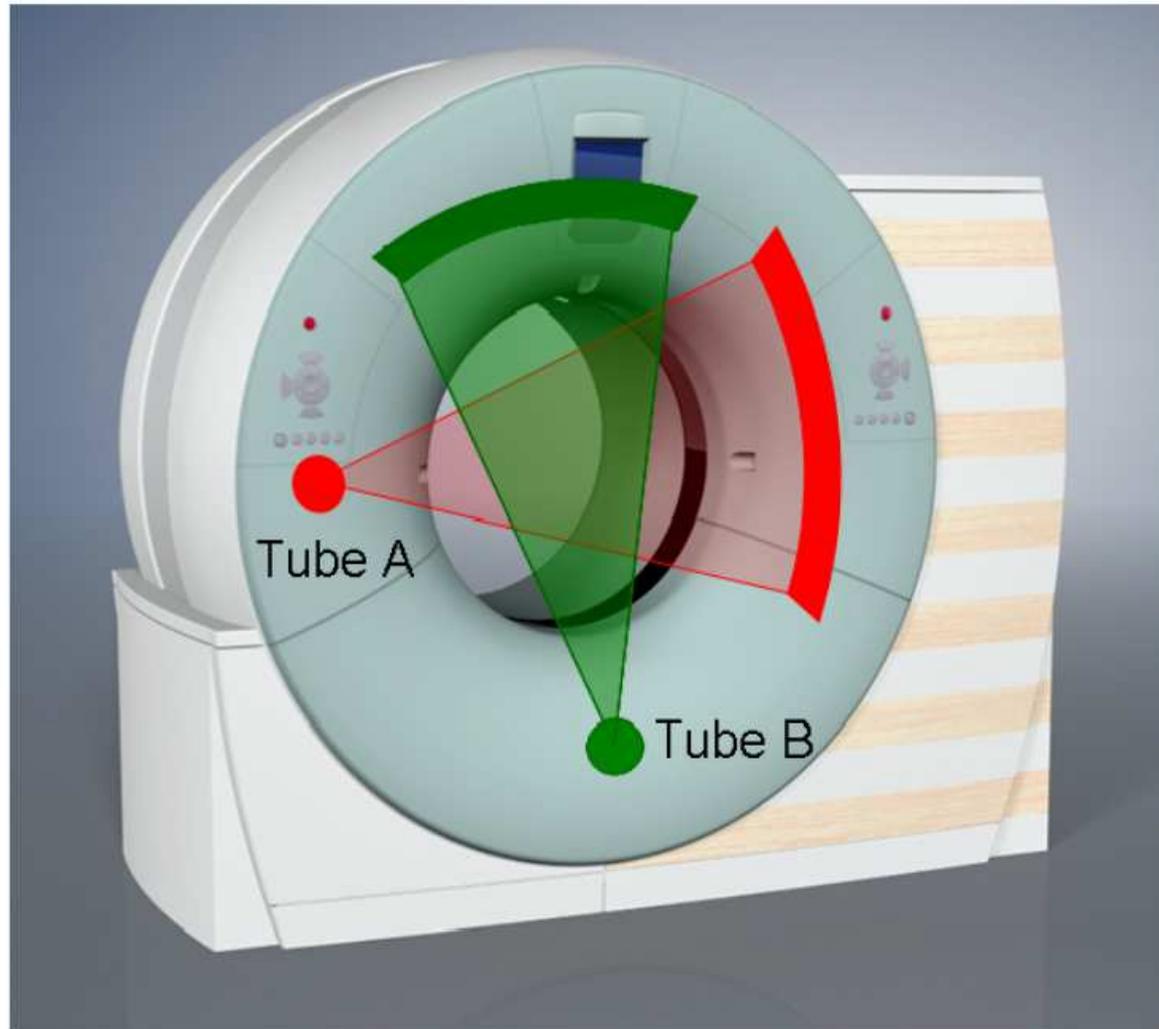
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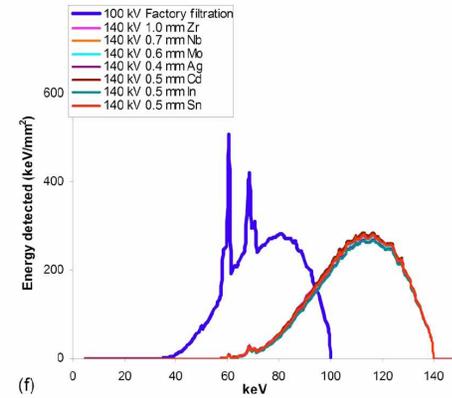
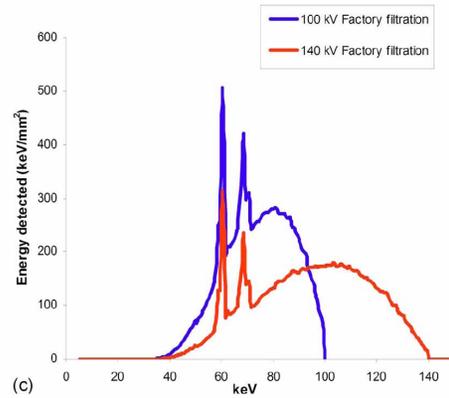
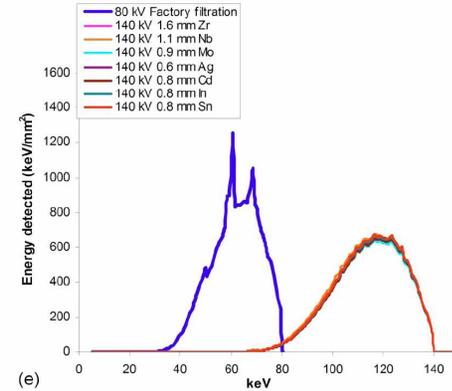
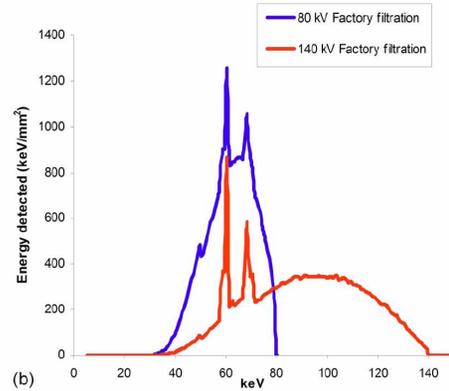
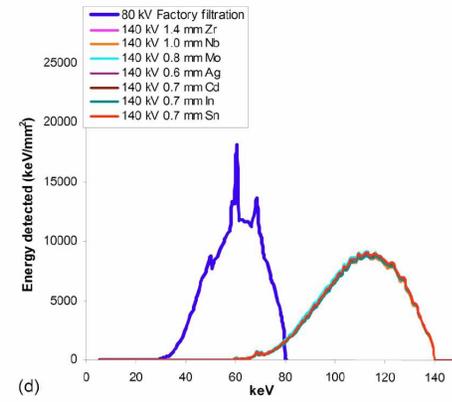
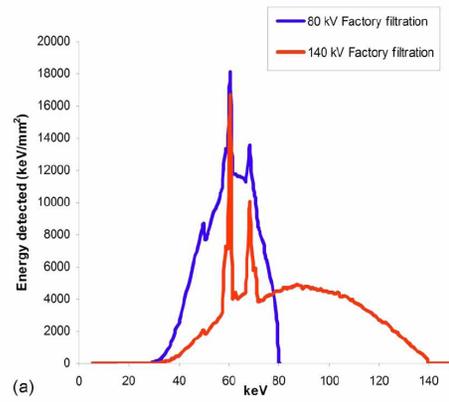


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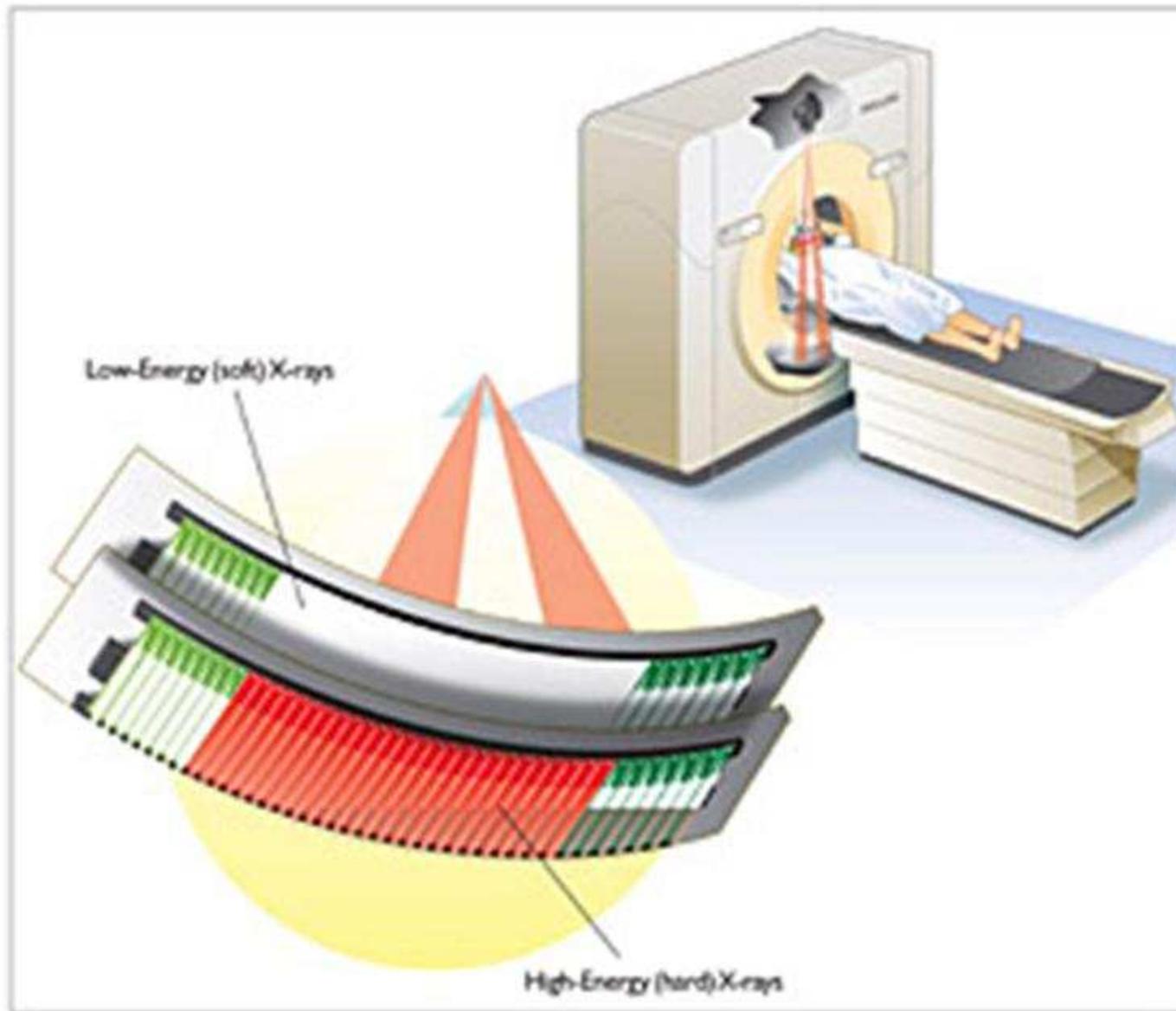
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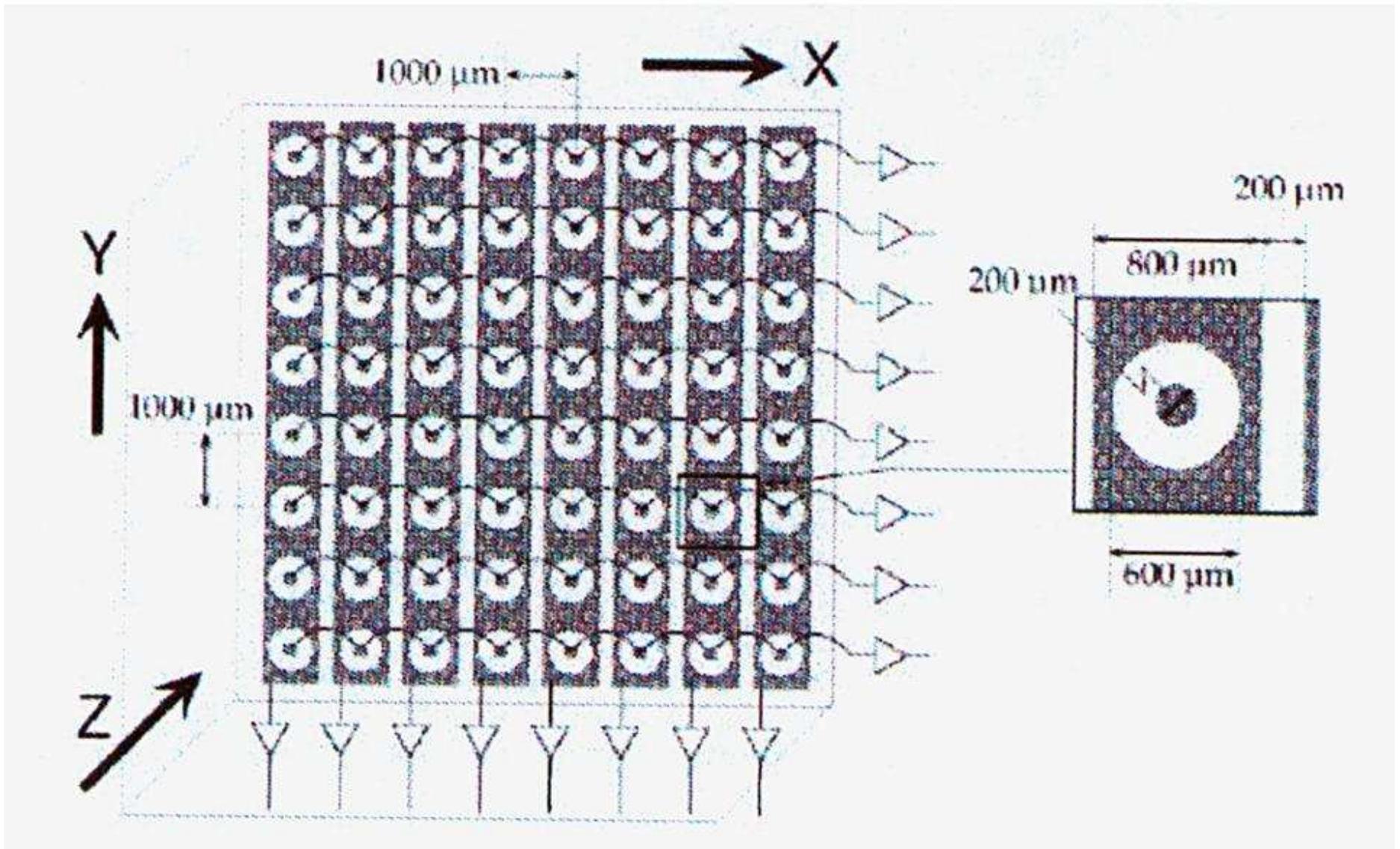
**Siemens Somatom M8 Dual-Tube, 0.33 sec rotation,  
64-Channel CT Scanner**



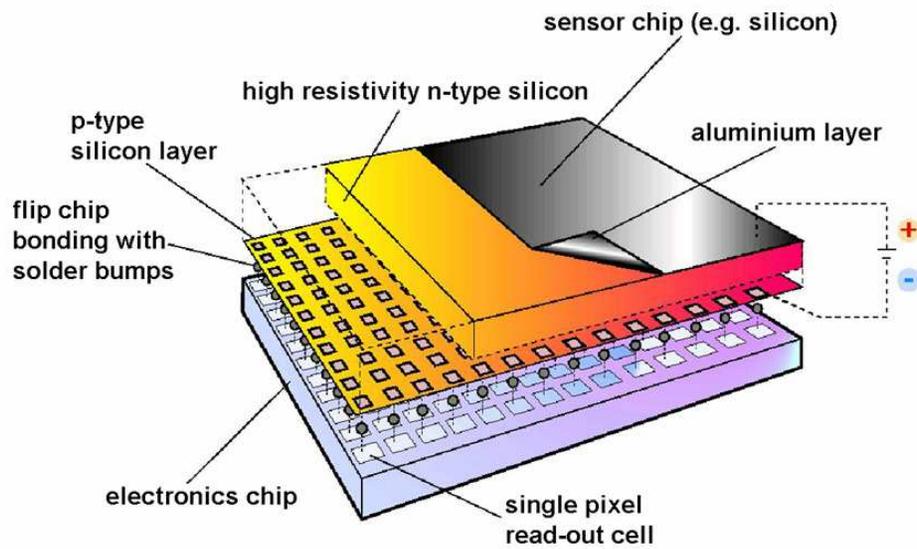


# Spectral CT - Philips

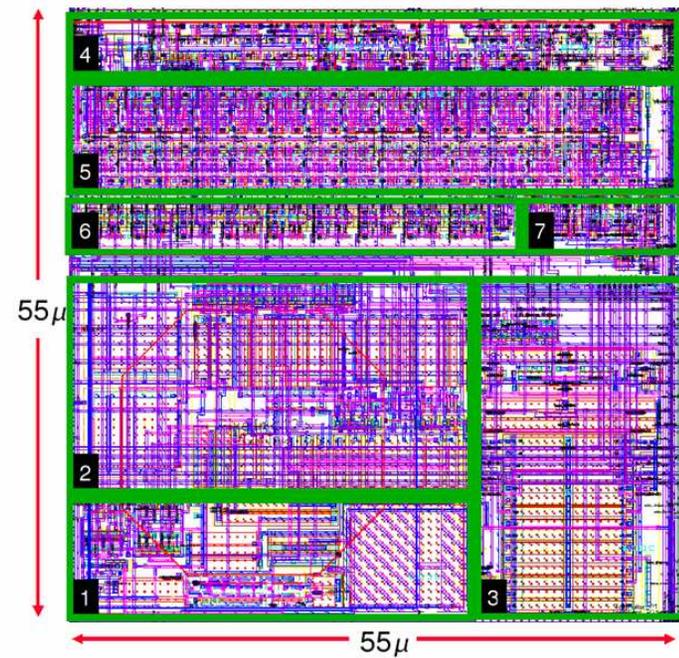




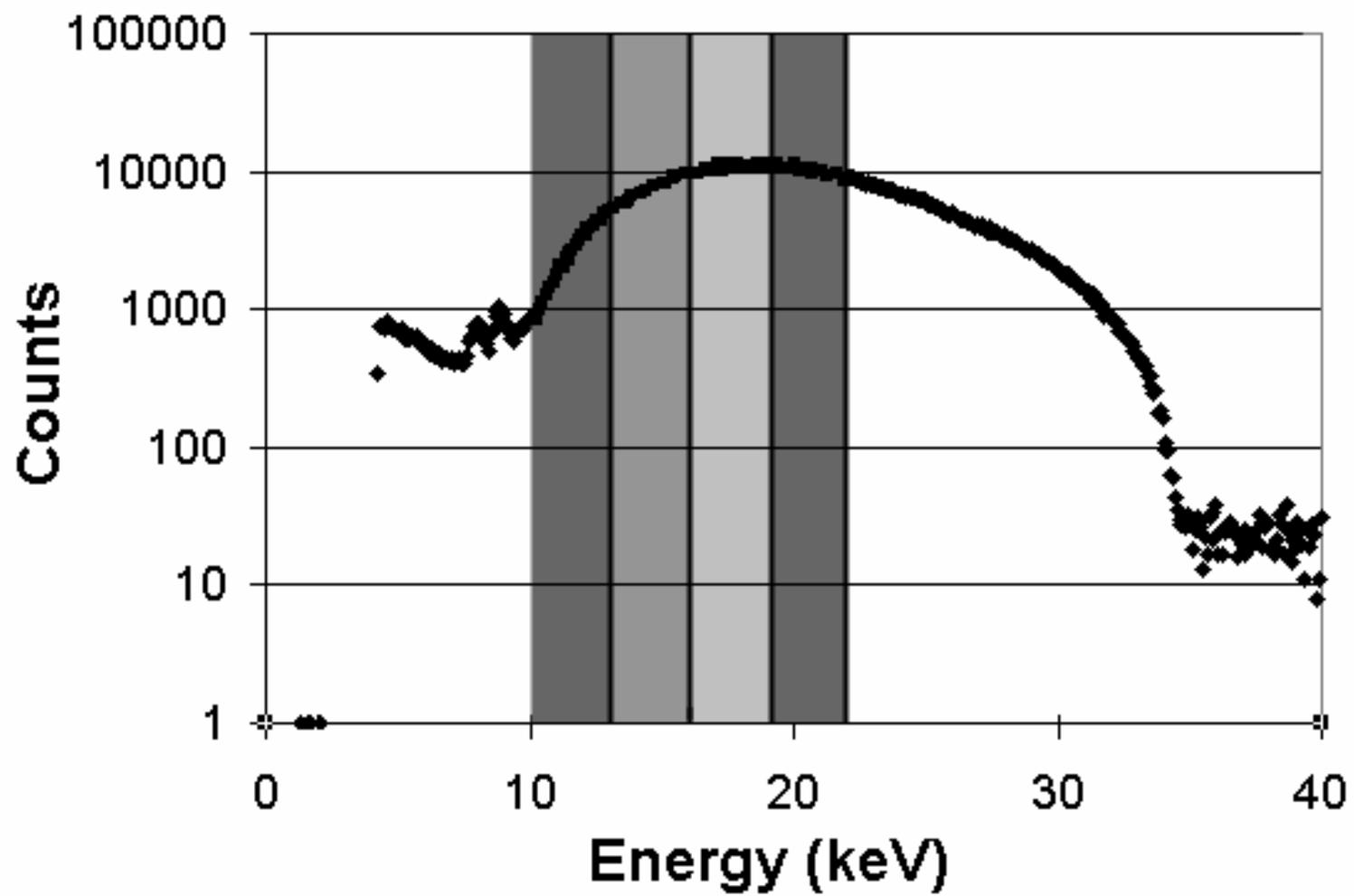
# Medipix X-ray Imaging Array



ARRAY

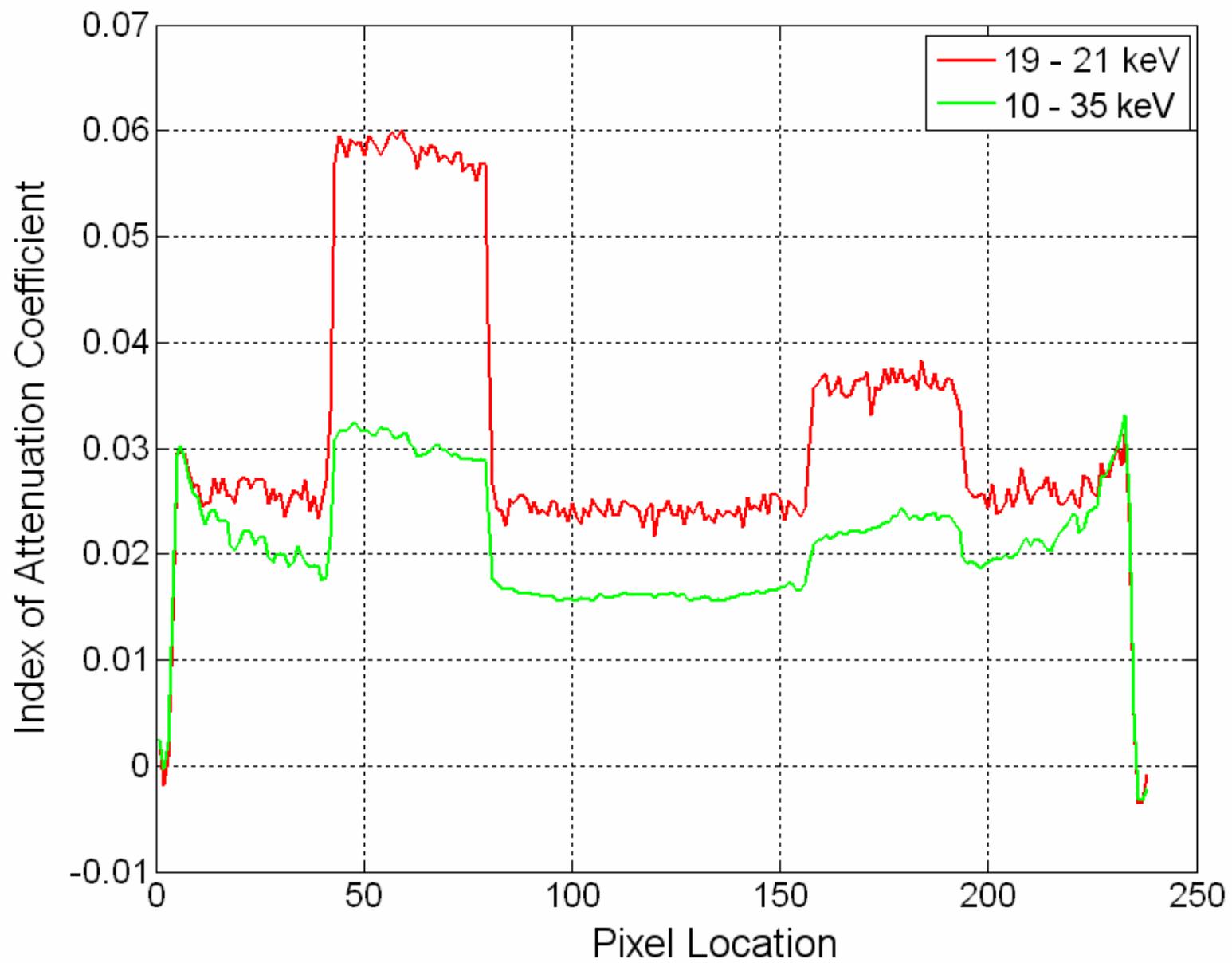


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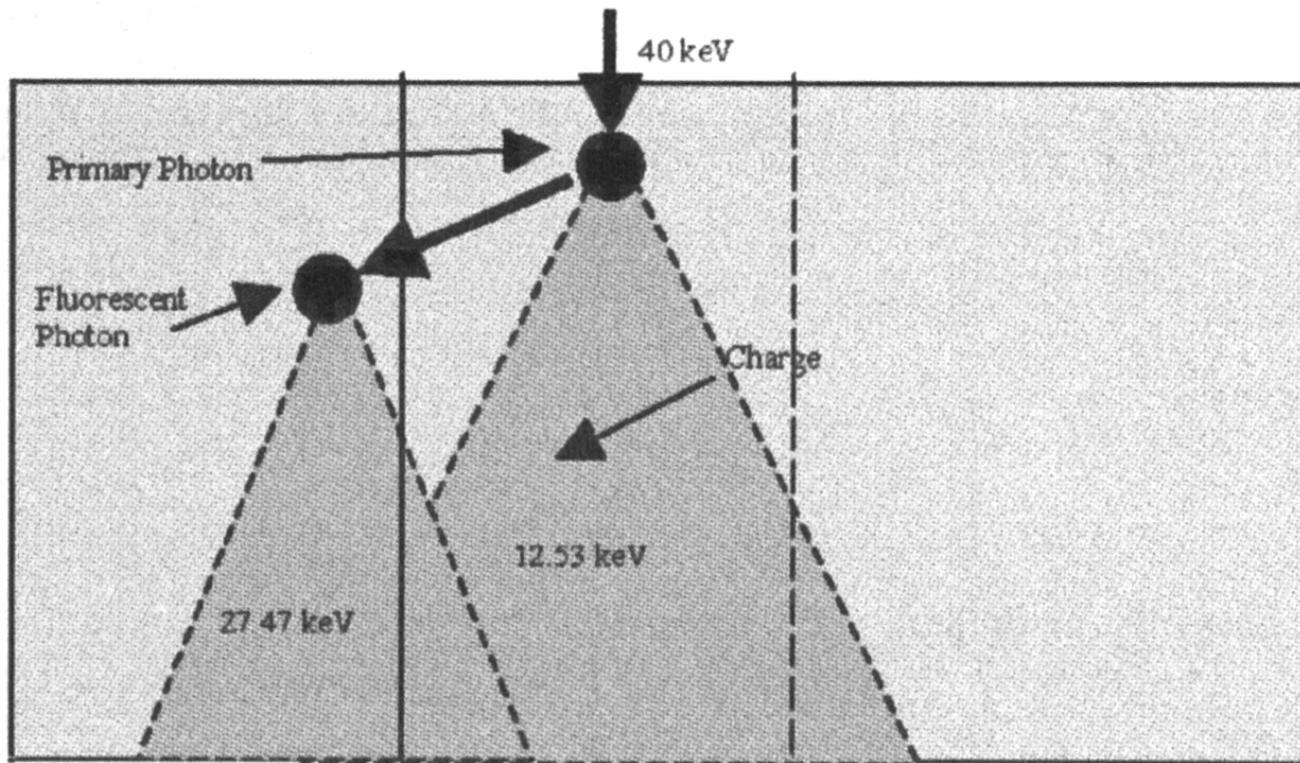
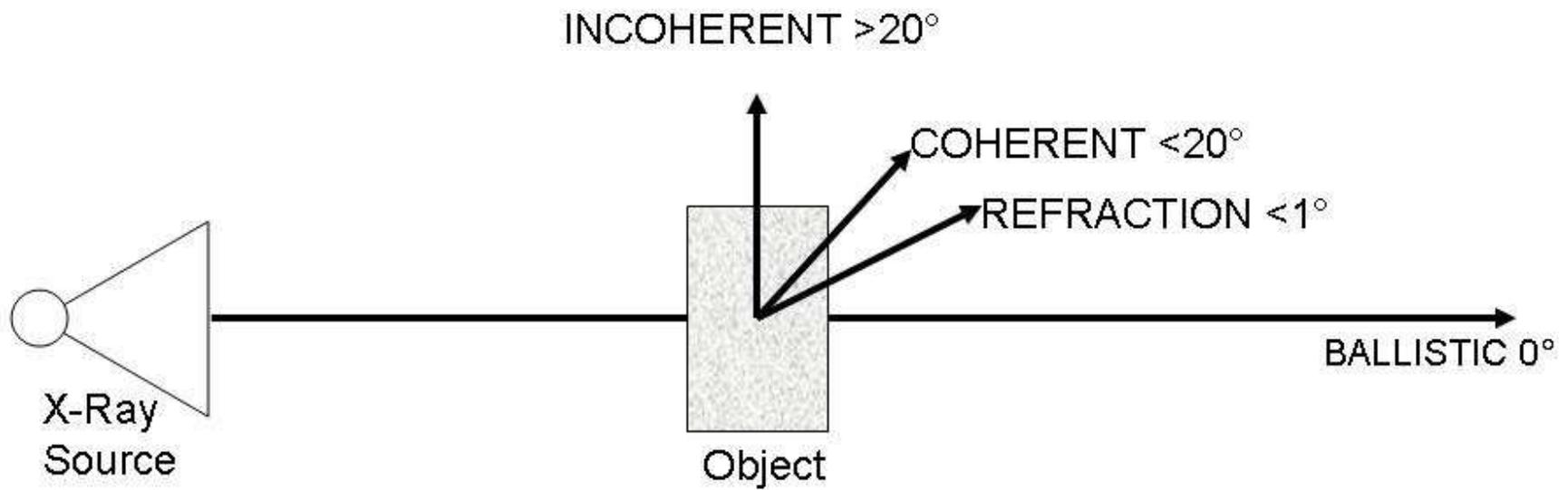
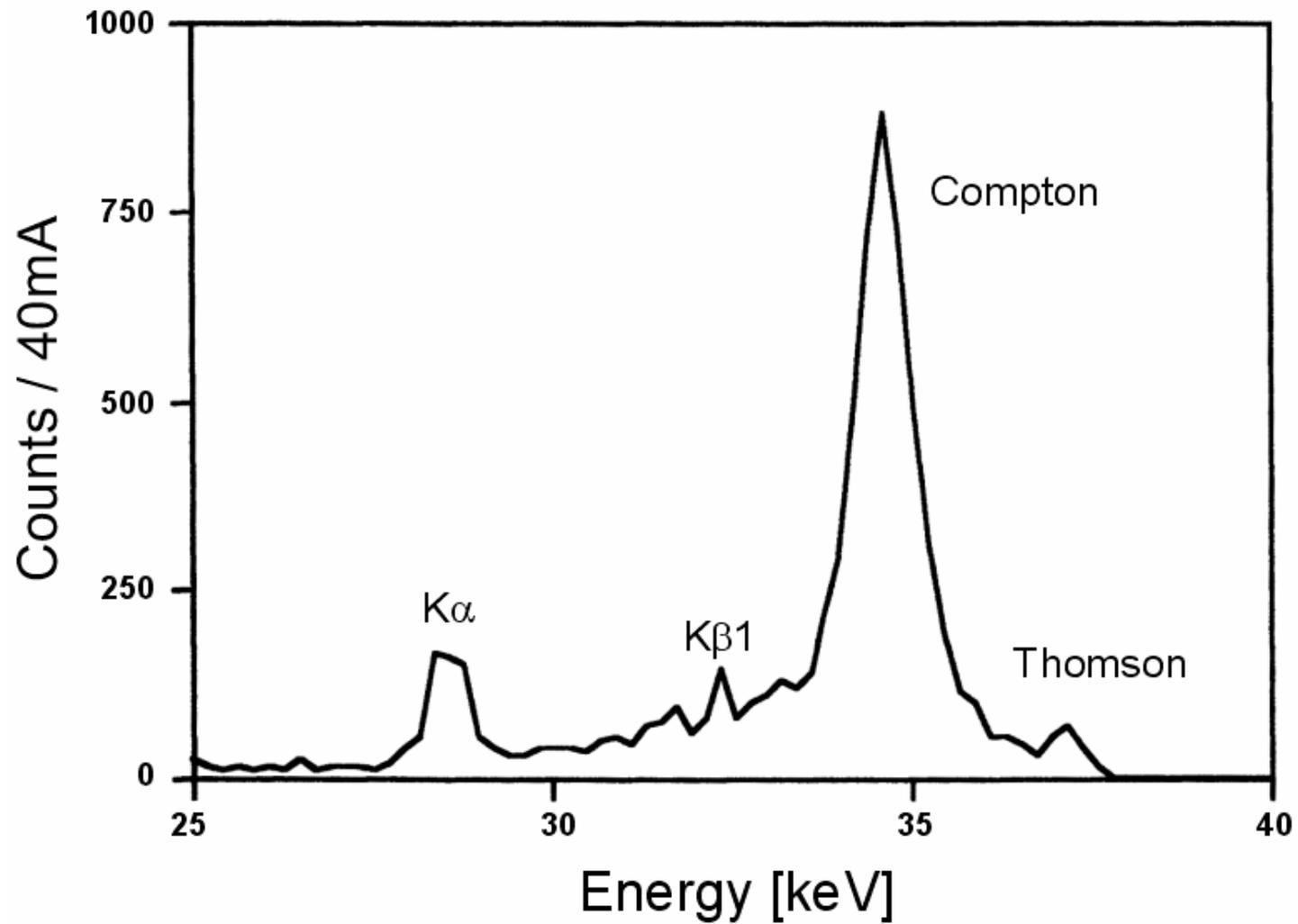


Fig. 1. A typical X-ray event in a detector. The primary photon is captured by a photoelectric event. A fluorescent photon is emitted and captured in the next pixel. The charge cloud from these two interactions widens by diffusion during drift towards the readout electrode. (only one type of carrier shown). It should be noted that most of the energy is deposited outside the pixel where the primary interaction occurred.

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# Scatter Types

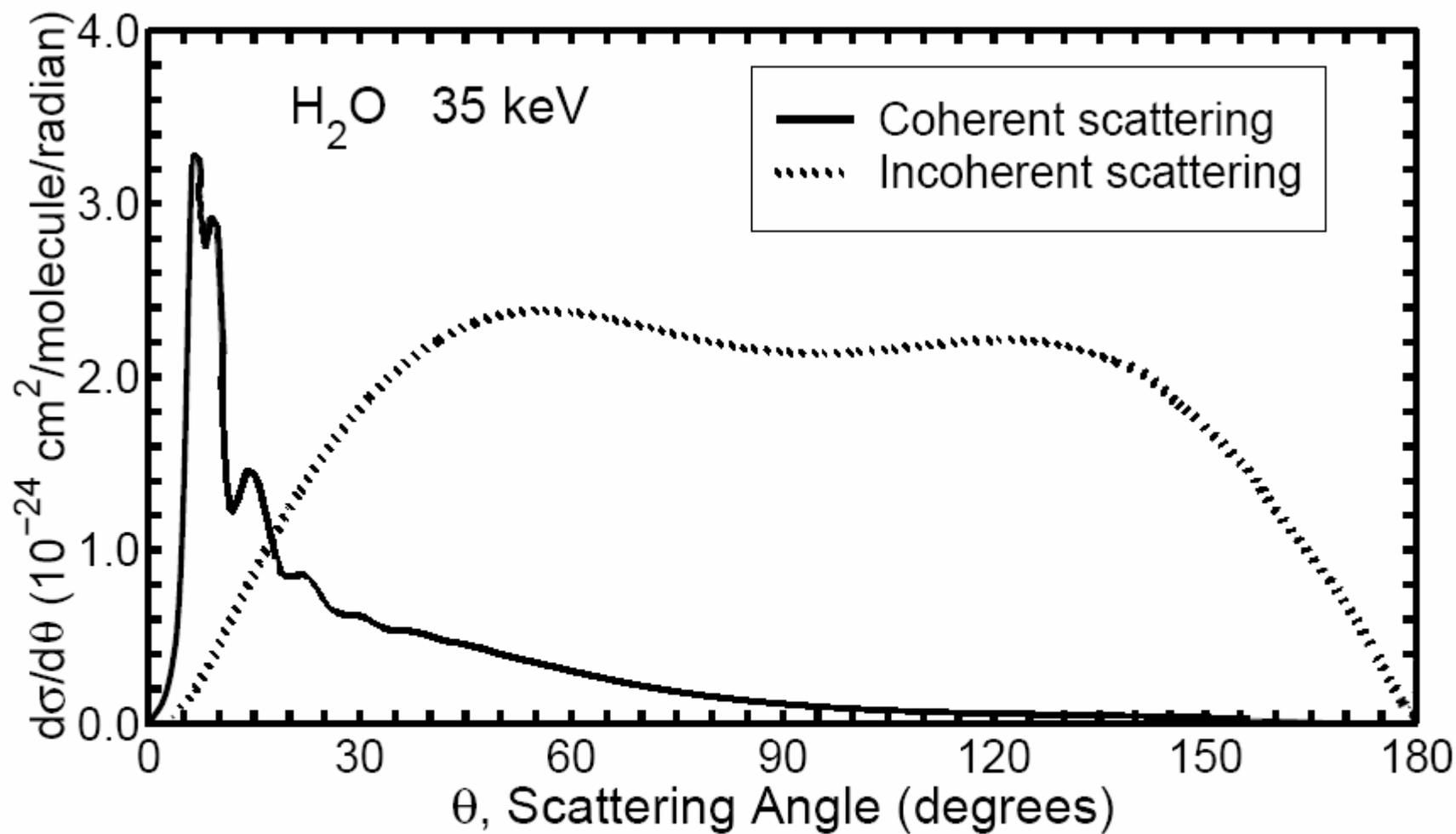




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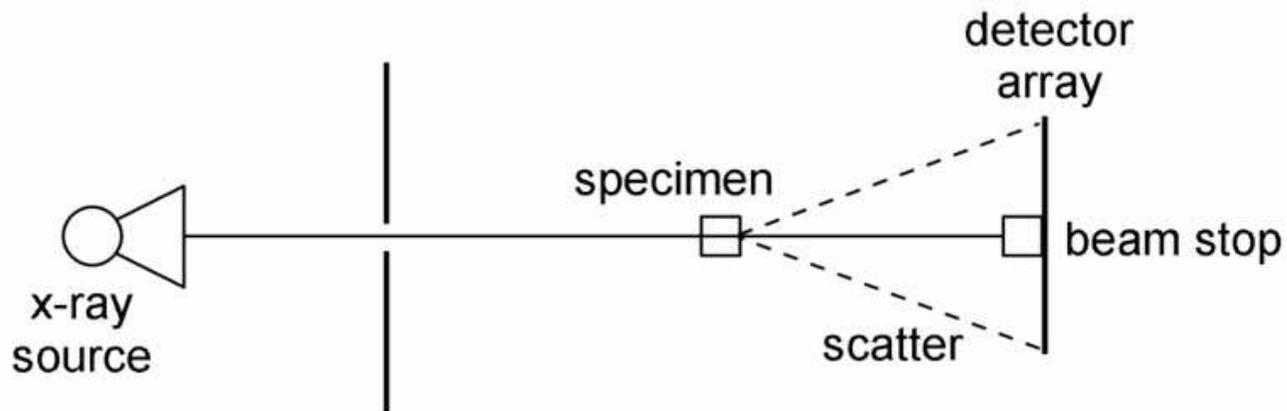
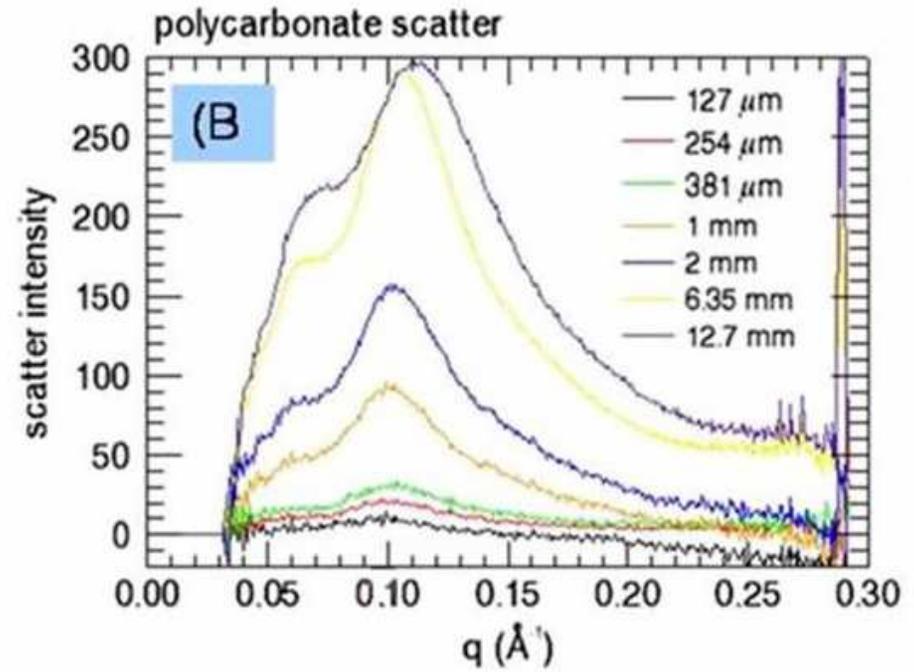
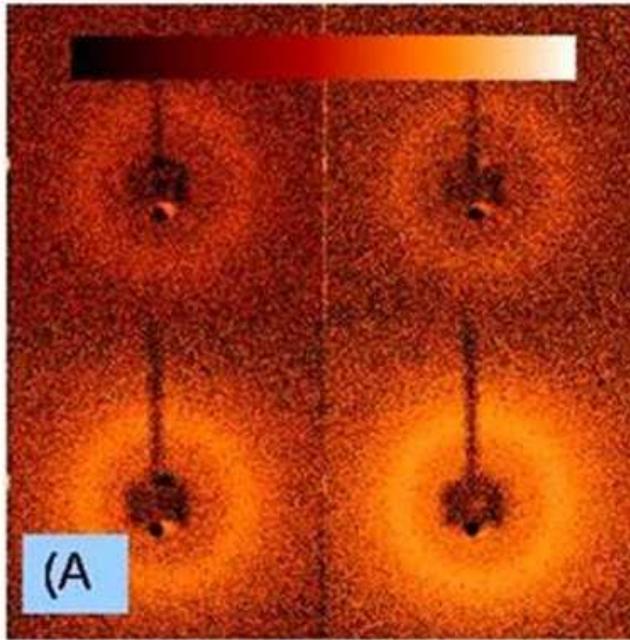
Figure 6. Actual spectrum of projection data in FXCT

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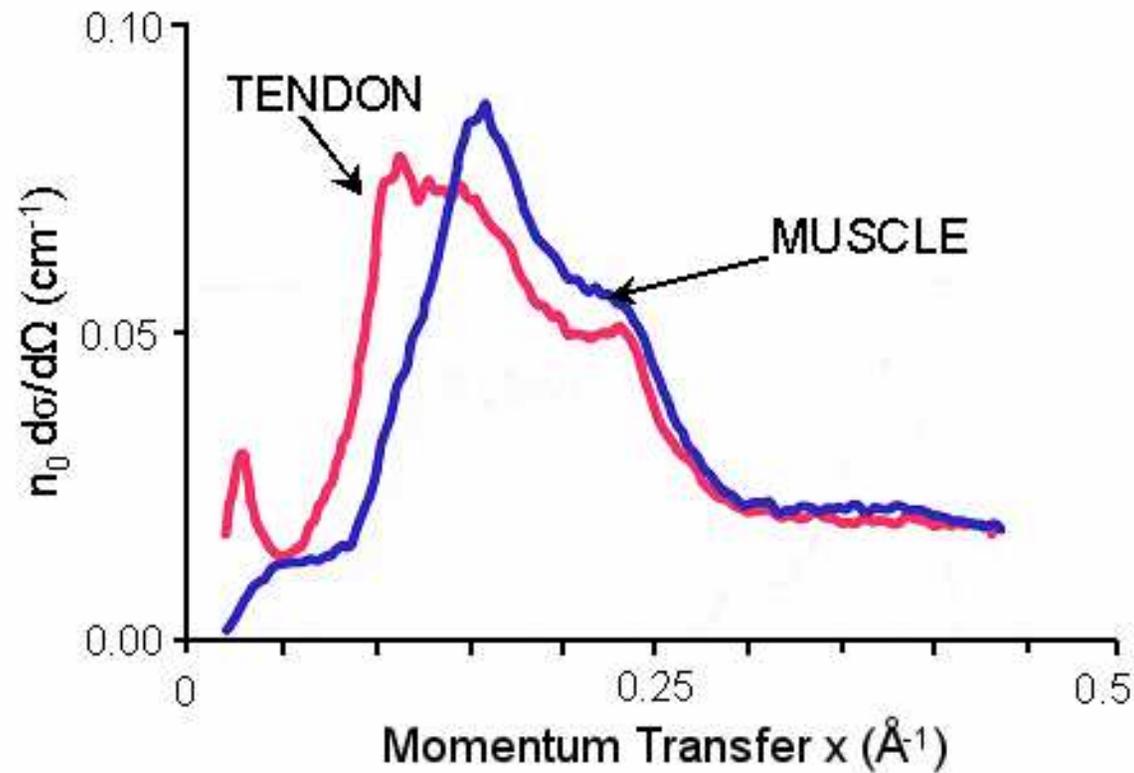


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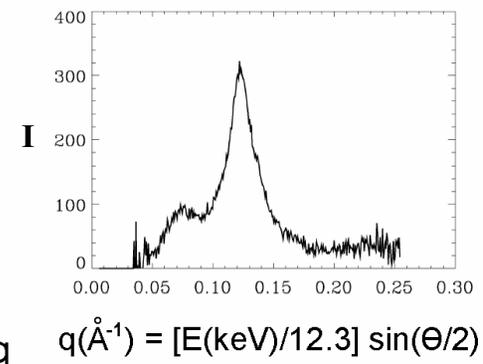
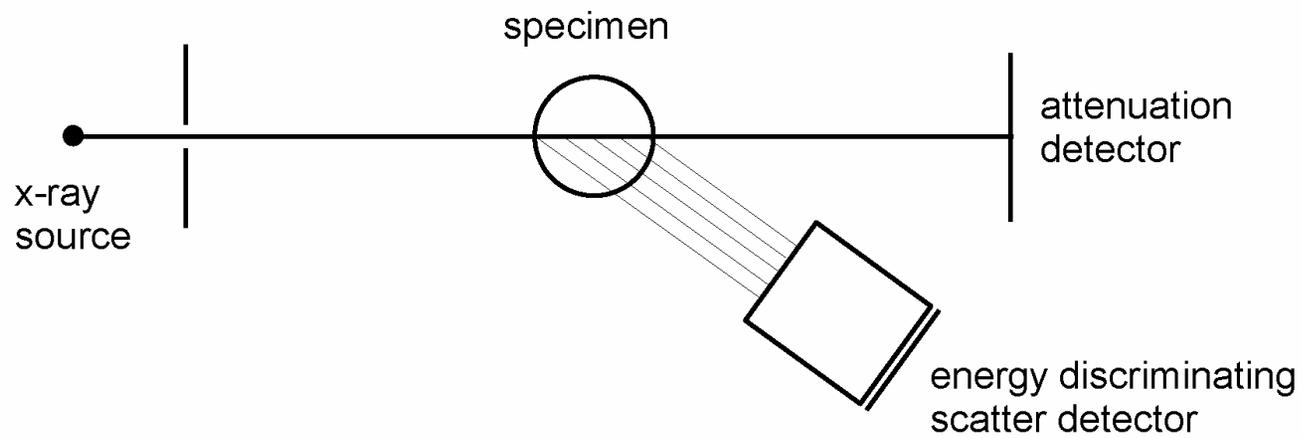
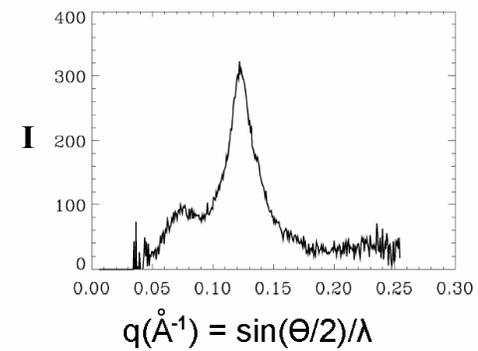
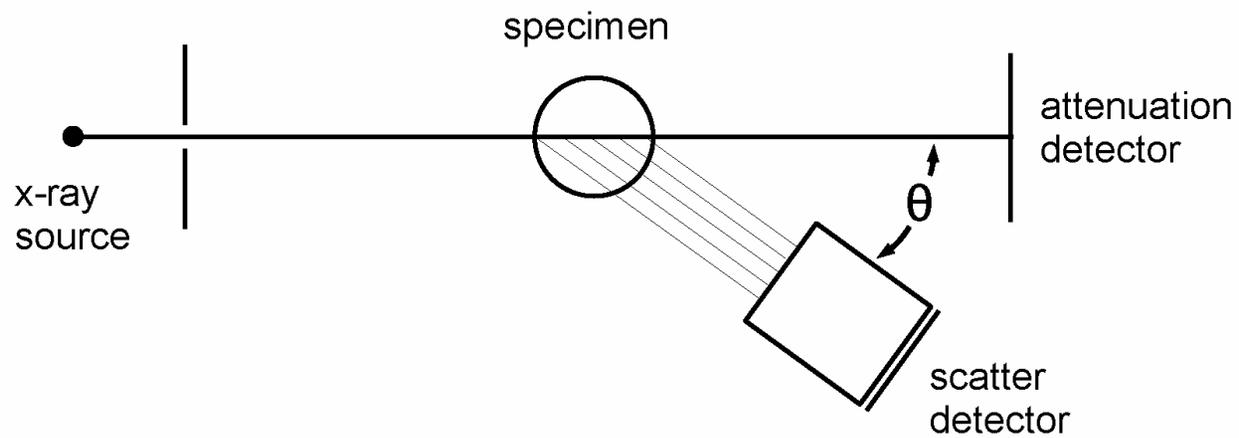


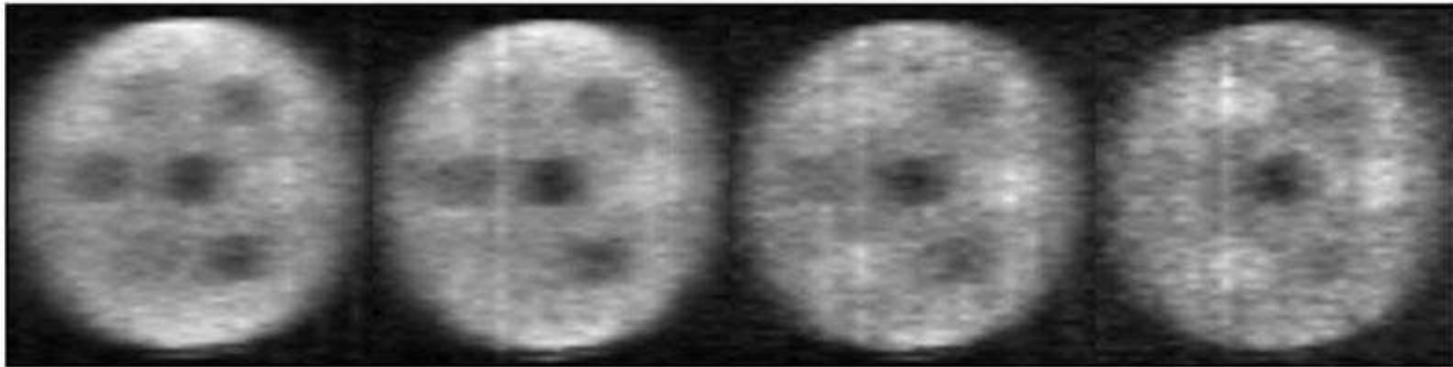
# X-ray Diffraction Measurements of Tissues



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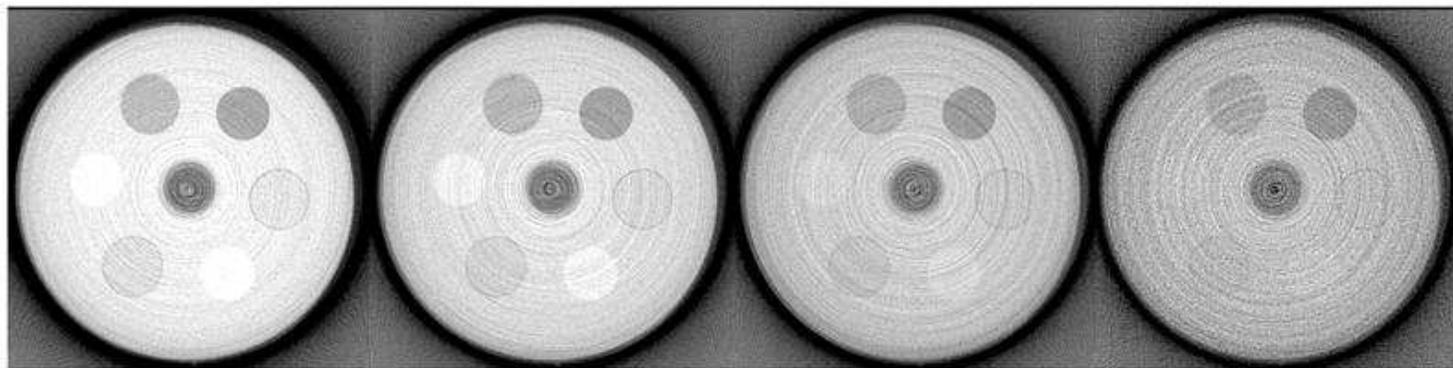


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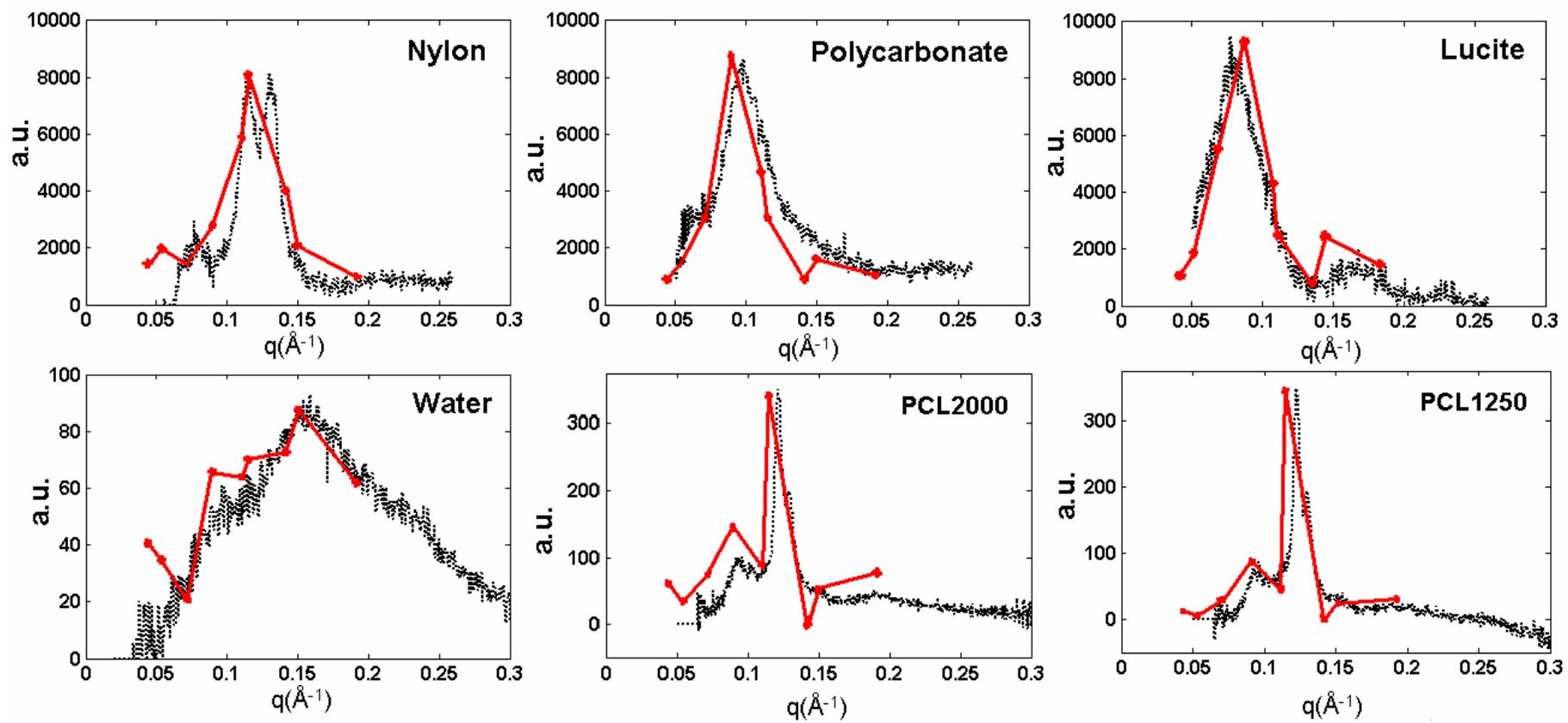
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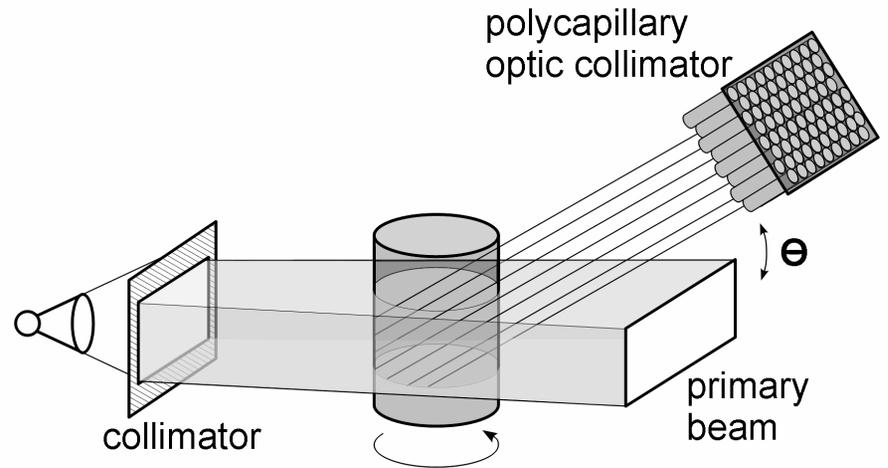
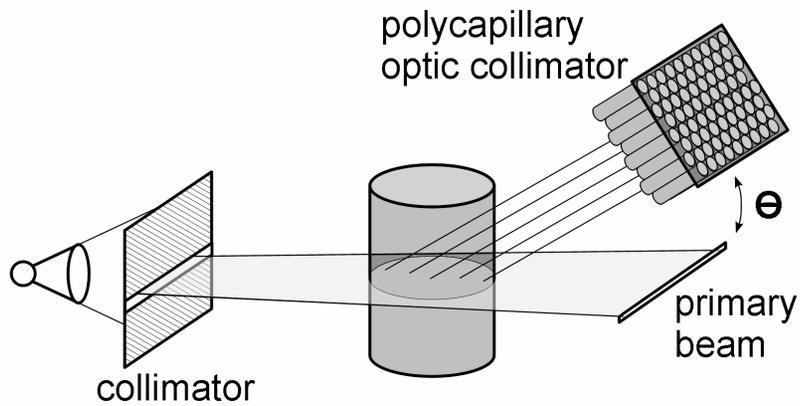
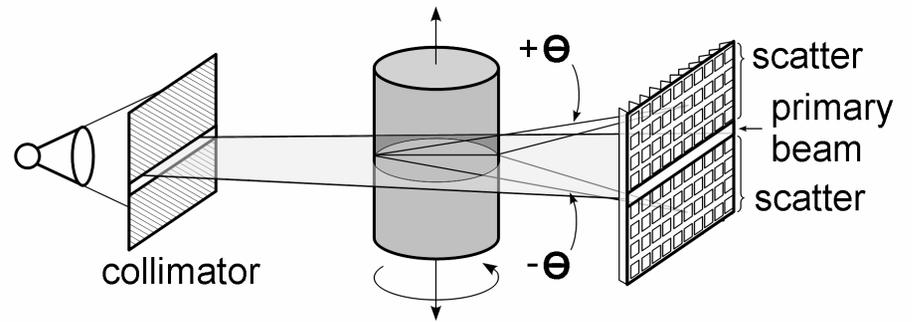
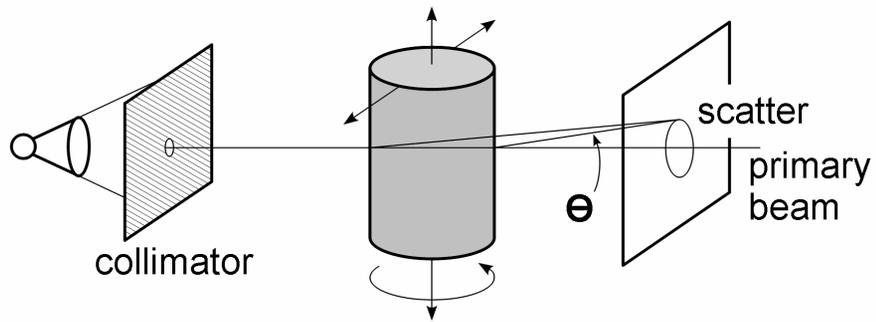
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### Momentum Transfer Functions - Spectral (●—) or Multi-Angular (---)





## **SOME ALGORITHMS NEEDED TO FULLY UTILIZE SPECTRAL X-RAY IMAGING**

**1) MODELS TO MITIGATE:** ARRAY HETEROGENEITY  
CHARGE SHARING  
PHOTON COUNT PILE-UP  
DETECTOR FLUORESCENCE

**2) RECONSTRUCTION ALGORITHMS TO MITIGATE PHOTON-SPARCE SCAN DATA**

- Use of a priori information
- Use of broad spectrum data
- Use of region-of-interest scan data



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