

Bethe-Bloch Formula

Mean rate of energy loss (Stopping power) for a charge particle is:

$$\frac{-dE}{dx} = K z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta \gamma)}{2} \right],$$

Where,

A: atomic mass of the absorber

$$\frac{K}{A} = 4 \pi N_A r_e^2 m_e c^2 / A$$

$$= 0.307075 \text{ MeVg}^{-1} \text{cm}^2, \text{ for } A = 1 \text{ gmol}^{-1}$$

z: atomic number of incident particle

Z: atomic number of absorber

T_{max} : max. transferable energy

I: characteristic ionization constant material dependent

$\delta(\beta \gamma)$: density effect correction

$x = \rho s$, mass thickness, where, s is the length

Max. transferable energy

→ Inelastic collision -energy loss

Maximum transferable kinetic energy:
$$T_{max} = \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{1 + 2\gamma \frac{m_e}{m_o} + \left(\frac{m_e}{m_o}\right)^2}$$

Where,

$$\beta^2 = \frac{v^2}{c^2} = \frac{P^2}{E^2} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{m_e^2}{p^2}} \quad \text{And,}$$

For incoming electron

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \frac{E}{E_o} \\ \gamma &= \frac{2.057 \times 10^9}{0.511 \times 10^6} \\ &= 4025.4403 \end{aligned}$$

Since, $m_e \ll P$, $\beta \approx 1$.

For $m_e = m_o$

$$m_e c^2 \approx 0.511 \text{ MeV}$$

For incoming electron $T_{max} \approx 2012.22 \text{ MeV}$

For scattered electron $T_{max} \approx 1224.49 \text{ MeV}$

For scattered electron

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \frac{P}{E_o} \\ &= \frac{1.225 \times 10^9}{0.511 \times 10^6} \\ &= 2397.2603 \end{aligned}$$

Average Ionization energy Loss For H

$$X = \log_{10}(\gamma\beta) = 3.6048$$

$$\text{For H, } X_0 = 0.4759, X_1 = 1.9215,$$

$$-C = 3.2632$$

$$\delta = 4.6052 X + C \quad \text{As, } X > X_0$$

$$= 4.6052 \times 3.6048 - 3.2632$$

$$= 13.338$$

Ionization constant:

$$\frac{I}{Z} = \left(12 + \frac{7}{Z}\right) eV.$$

For **Hydrogen** $Z = 1$,

$$\text{So, } I = 19 \text{ eV.}$$

The mean rate of energy loss due to ionization:

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = 0.307075 \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{4025.4403^2 \times 2012.22 \times 10^{12}}{19^2} \right) - 1 - \frac{13.338}{2} \right]$$

$$\approx 4.7 \text{ MeV cm}^2/\text{g}.$$

$$\left(\frac{dE}{dx} \right)_H = -4.7 \text{ MeV cm}^2/\text{g}.$$

$$\text{Average ionization energy loss} = \frac{dE}{dx} \frac{\Delta x}{2}$$

$$= -4.7 \times 7.5 \times 0.0723$$

$$= -2.5486 \text{ MeV}$$

Mean rate for scattered electron for H

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \log_{10}(\gamma\beta) \\ &= 3.37972 \\ \delta &= 4.6052 X + C \quad \text{As, } X > X_0 \\ &= 4.6052 \times 3.37972 - 3.2632 \\ &= 12.301 \end{aligned}$$

Ionization constant (I) = 19 eV.

So, the mean of rate loss due to ionization for scattered electron:

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{dE}{dx} &= 0.307075 \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{2397.2603^2 \times 1224.49 \times 10^{12}}{19^2} \right) - 1 - \frac{12.301}{2} \right] \\ &\approx 4.624 \text{ MeV cm}^2/\text{g}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\frac{dE}{dx} \right)_H = -4.624 \text{ MeV cm}^2/\text{g}.$$

For Aluminum

$$X = \log_{10}(\gamma\beta) = 3.37972$$

$$\text{For Al, } X_0 = 0.1708, X_1 = 3.0127,$$

$$-C = 4.24$$

$$\delta = 4.6052 X + C \quad \text{As, } X > X_0,$$

$$= 4.6052 \times 3.37972 - 4.24$$

$$= 11.342$$

Ionization constant:

$$\frac{I}{Z} = (9.76 + 58.8 \times Z^{-1.19}) eV.$$

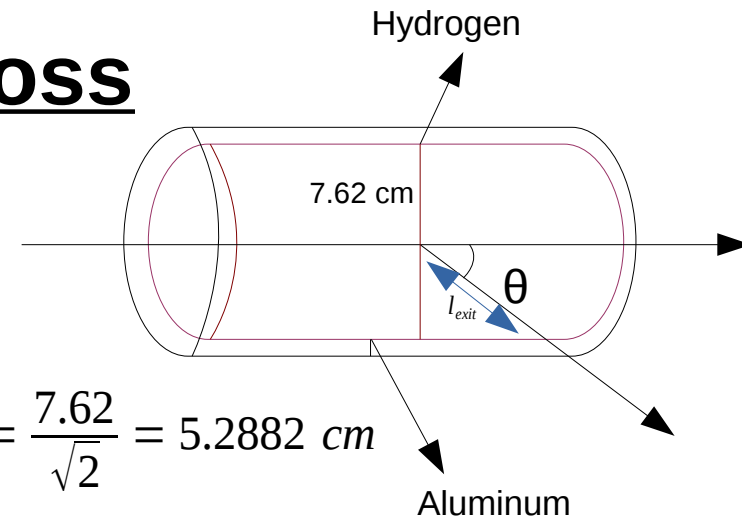
For **Aluminium** $Z = 13$; $I = 166 eV$.

So, the mean rate of energy loss for electron is:

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{13 \times 0.307075}{26.98} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{2397.2603^2 \times 1224.49 \times 10^{12}}{166^2} \right) - 1 - \frac{11.3424}{2} \right]$$
$$\approx 2.0543 \text{ MeV cm}^2/g.$$

$$\left(\frac{dE}{dx} \right)_{Al} = -2.0543 \text{ MeV cm}^2/g$$

Event by Event Loss



For Hydrogen,

$$\text{The amount of material exit } (l_{exit}) = \frac{d}{2 \sin 45} = \frac{7.62}{\sqrt{2}} = 5.2882 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Ionization energy loss } (\Delta E)_H = \frac{dE}{dx} \times l_{exit} \times \rho_H = -4.624 \times 5.2882 \times 0.0733 = -1.7924 \text{ MeV}$$

For Aluminum,

$$\text{Thickness} = 0.173 \text{ mm}$$

$$l_{exit} = \frac{0.0173}{\sin 45} = 0.02447 \text{ cm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta E)_{Al} &= -2.0543 \times 0.02447 \times 2.7 \\ &= -0.1357 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, the total ionization energy loss } (\Delta E) &= (\Delta E)_H + (\Delta E)_{Al} \\ &= -1.7924 - 0.1357 \\ &= -1.928 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$