

# Ion Beam Analysis

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# OUTLINE

- Van de Graaff accelerator
- Rutherford Backscattering Spectrometry (RBS)
- Elastic Recoil Detection (ERD)
- Conclusions

# Van de Graaff



Robert J. Van de Graaff

December 20, 1901- January 16, 1967 (aged 65)

## Patents

- Electrostatic Generator
- High Voltage Electromagnetic Apparatus Having An Insulating Magnetic Core

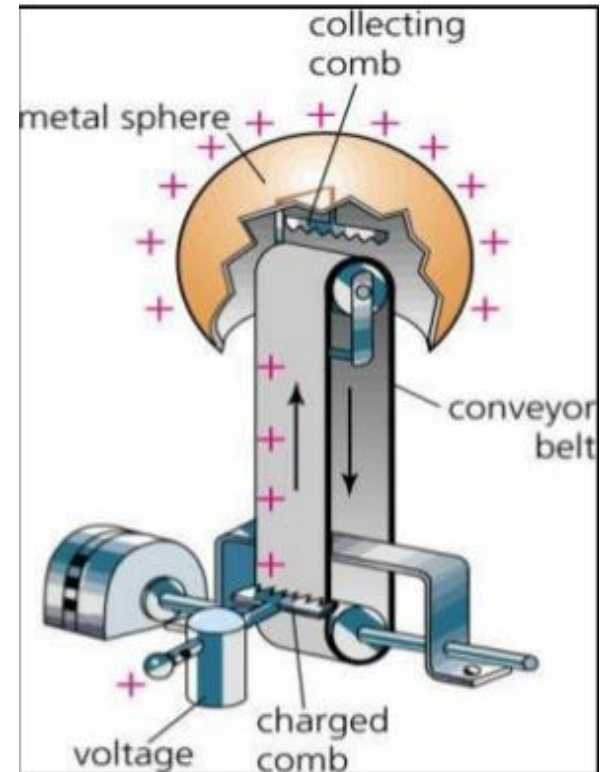
# Van de Graaff Accelerator

## Properties (EG5)

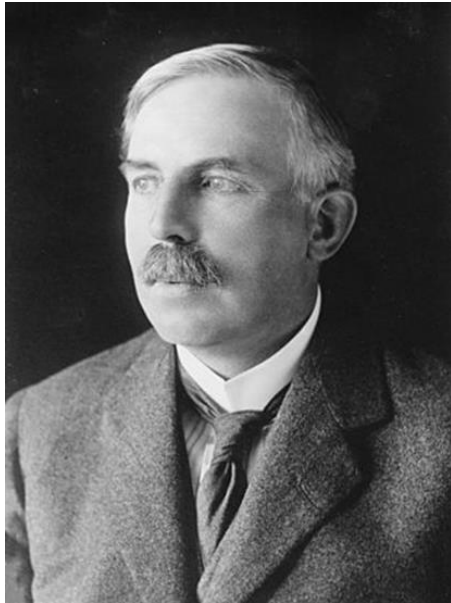
- Energy Region : 0.9-3.5 MeV
- Energy Spread <500 eV
- Beam Intensity: 30  $\mu\text{A}$  ( $\text{H}^+$ ) & 10  $\mu\text{A}$  ( $\text{He}$ )
- Six beam lines

## Operation

- Voltage supply of 30 KeV
- Rotation speed of conveyer belt :20 m/s
- Charges collected at metal sphere

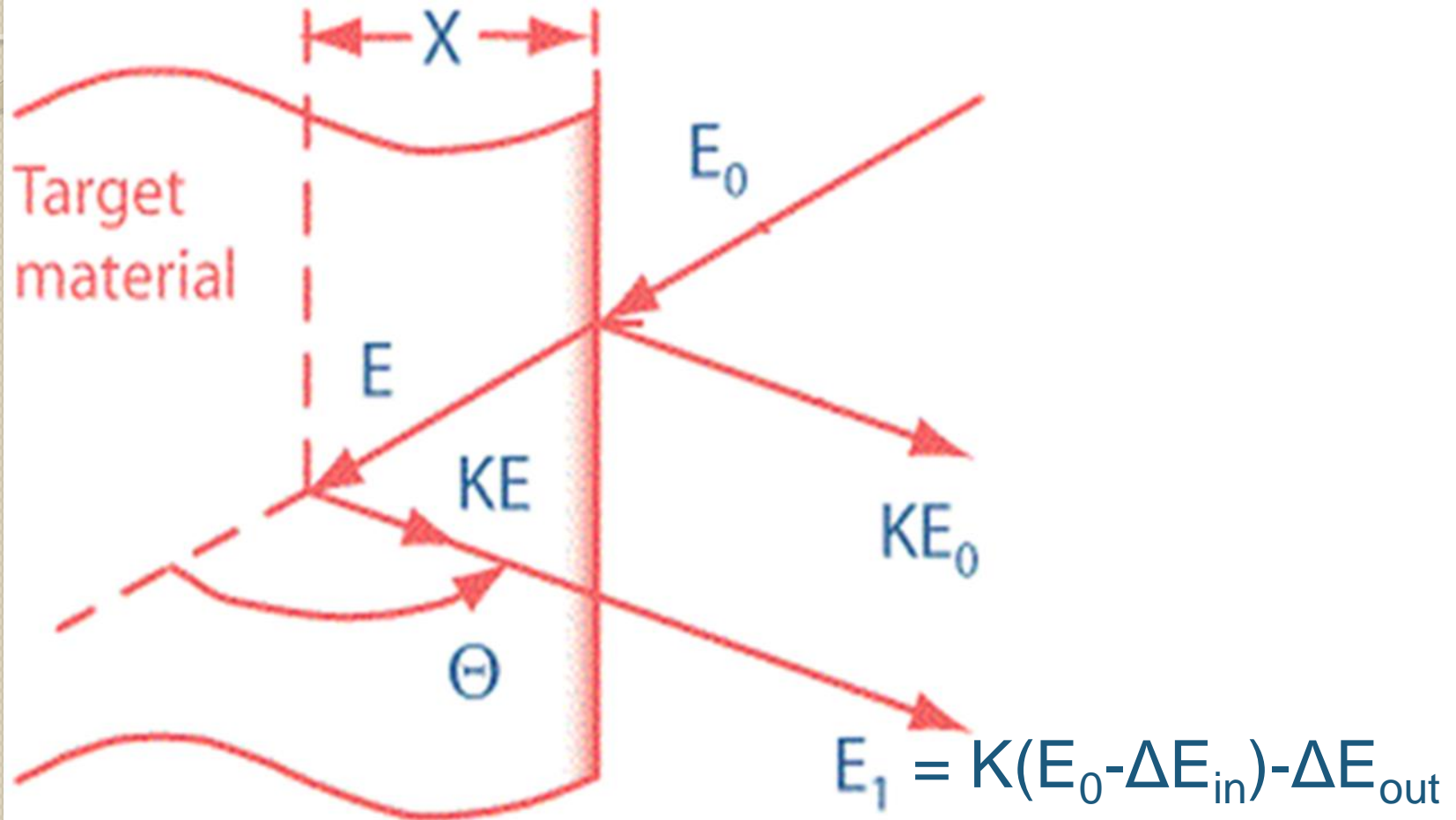


# Ernest Rutherford



- 30 August 1871 – 19 October 1937
- New Zealand-born British physicist
- President of the Royal Society (1925–1930)
- Father of nuclear physics
- The element rutherfordium, Rf,  $Z=104$
- Rutherford Medal-Royal Society of New Zealand

# RBS Principle



$X$  is the thickness of the layer

# Rutherford Backscattering Spectrometry (RBS)

- Number of the backscattered alpha particles

$$H(E_1) = Q\sigma(E_0, \theta) \frac{\Delta\Omega\delta E}{([s]\cos\Theta)}$$

- Kinematic Factor

$$K = \frac{E_1}{E_0} = \left[ \frac{M_1 \cos\theta + (M_2^2 - M_1^2 \sin^2\theta)^{1/2}}{M_1 + M_2} \right]^2$$

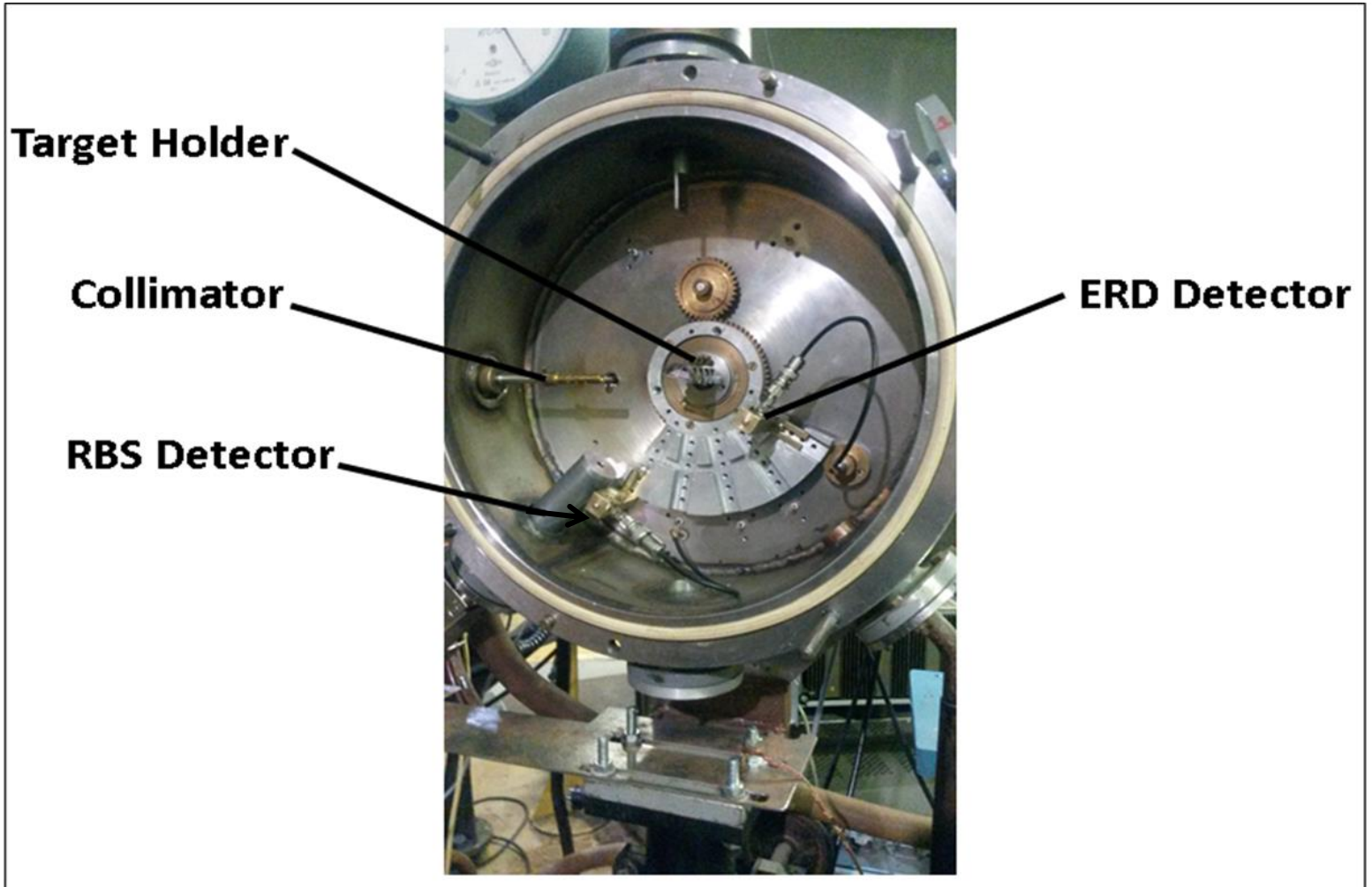
- Rutherford Cross-section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left( \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{4E} \right)^2 \frac{4}{\sin^4\theta} \frac{\{[1 - ((M_1/M_2) \sin\theta)^2]^{1/2} + \cos\theta\}^2}{[1 - ((M_1 - M_2) \sin\theta)^2]^{1/2}}$$

- Stopping cross section

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{N} \frac{dE}{dx}$$

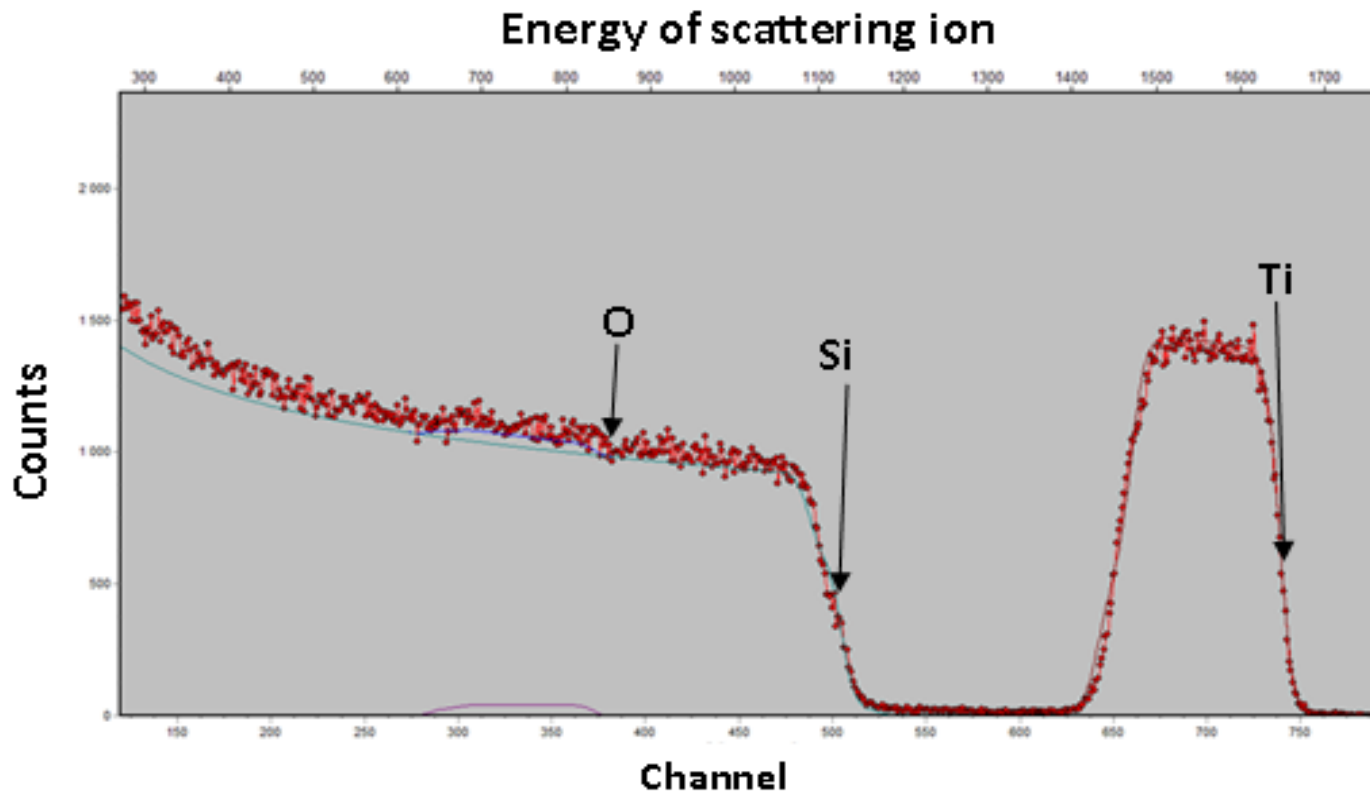
# RBS and ERD Set-up





# RBS Spectrum

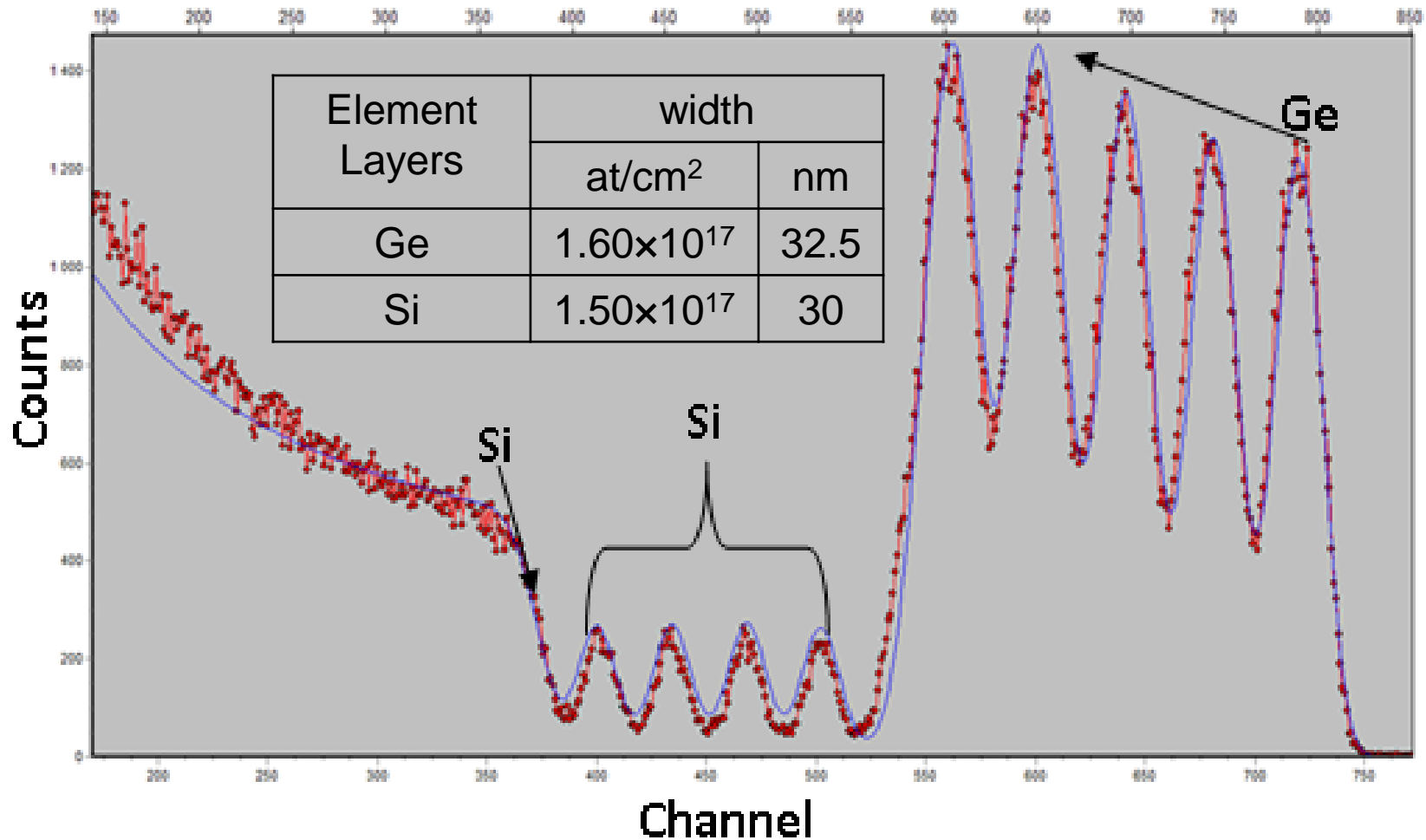
ELEMENTS	THICKNESS		CONCENTRATION (at.%)
	$1 \times 10^{15}$ at/cm <sup>2</sup>	(nm)	
Ti & O	1155	204	Ti-82; O-18
Si, Ti & O	300	57	Ti-24; O-10; Si-66
Silicon	8500	Bulk	100



# RBS Spectrum Cont.

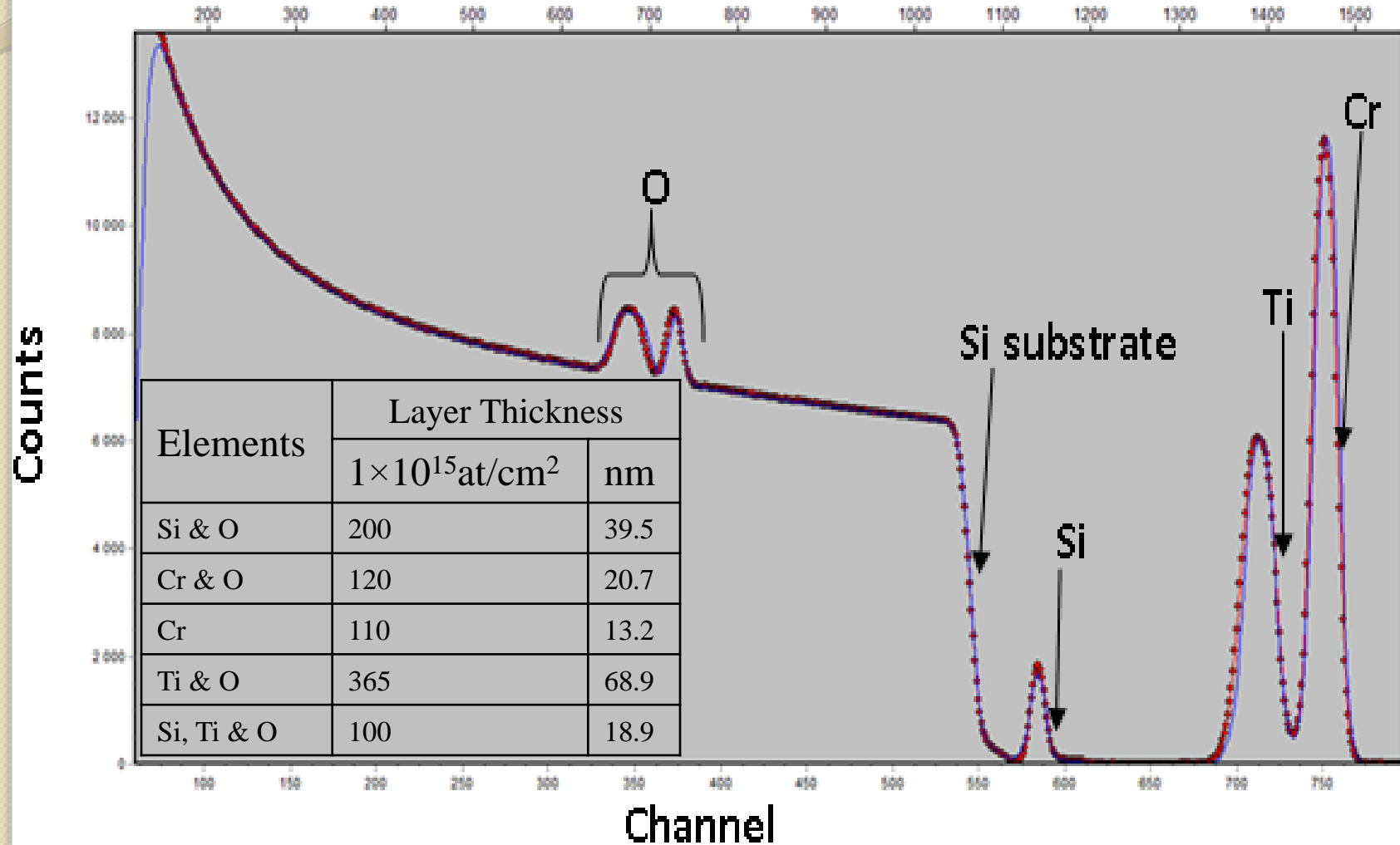
## Multi-layer structure

Energy of scattered ion

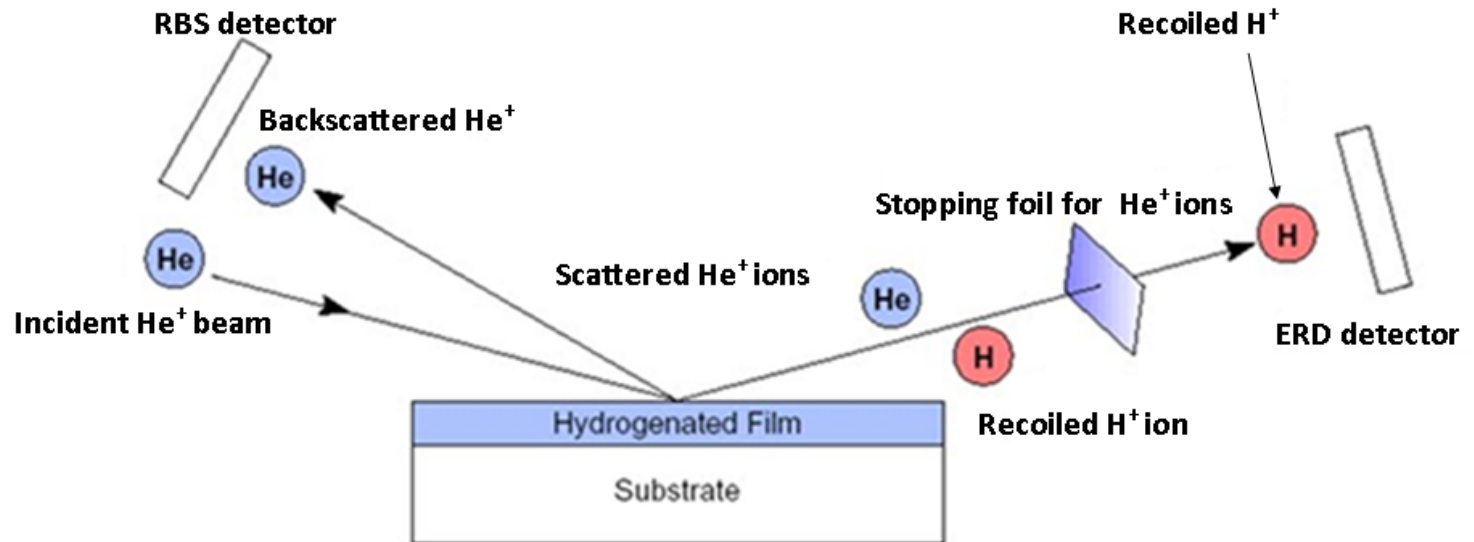


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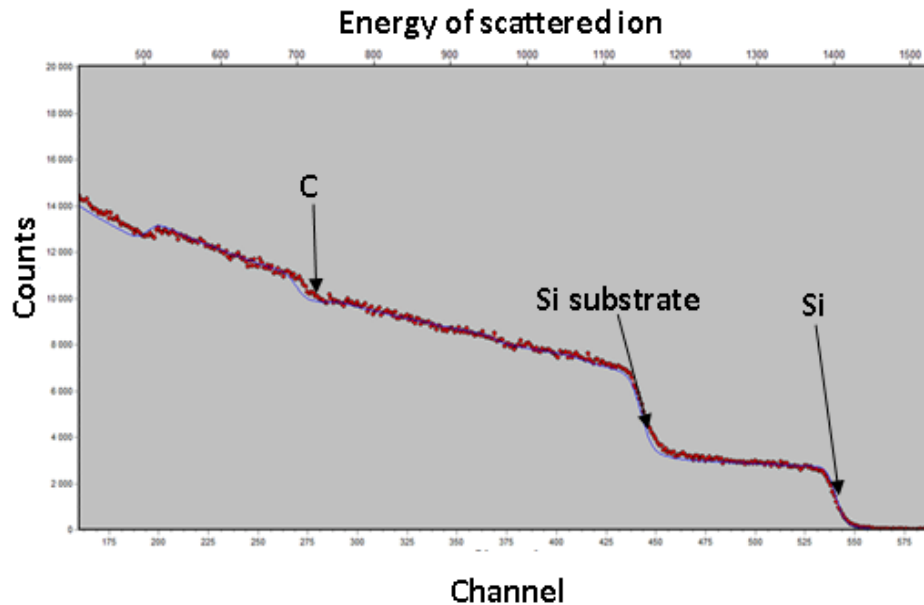


# Elastic Recoil Detection (ERD)



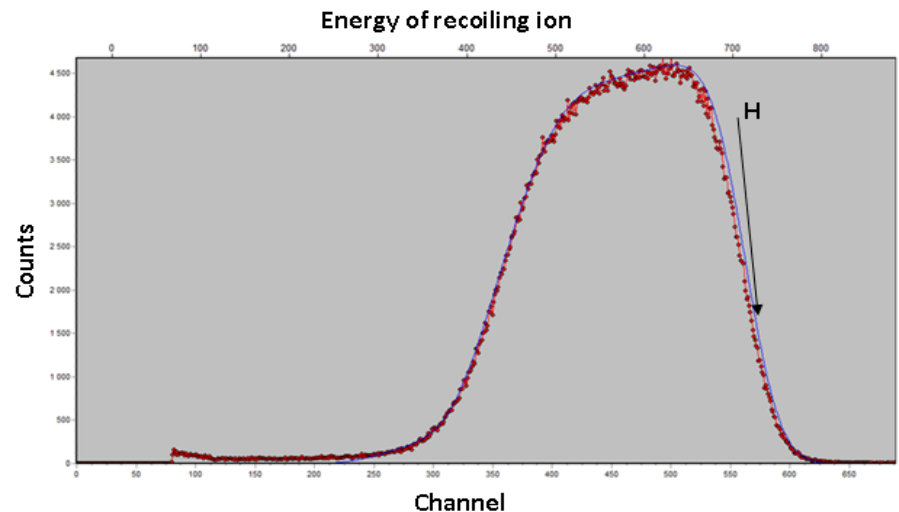
- Quantitative  $\text{H}^+$  and  $\text{D}^+$  profiling
- ERD can be used simultaneously with RBS
- Used to detect elements of lighter nuclei

# RBS and ERD Spectra For The Same Target Cont.

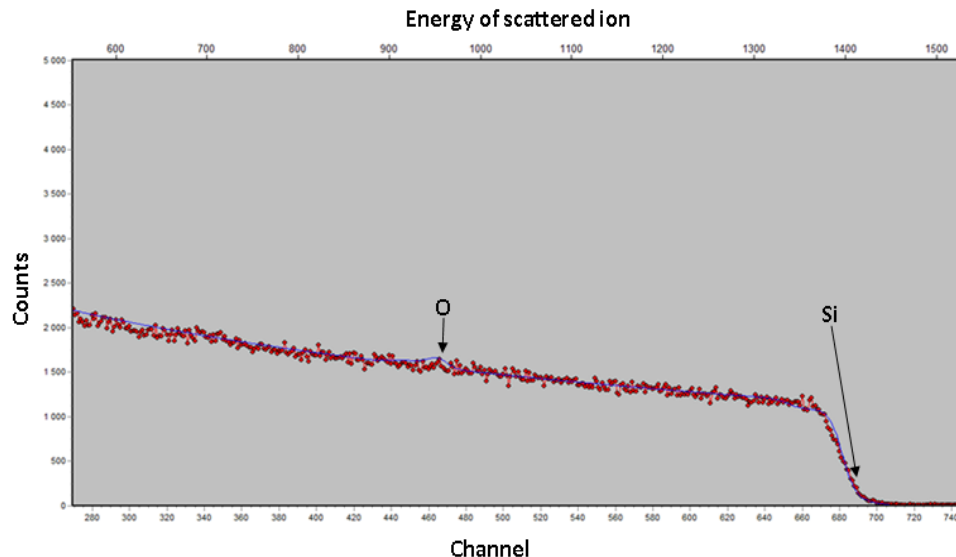


RBS spectrum showing yield of He ions scattered on heavy elements

ERD spectrum showing yield of recoiled  $H^+$  ions

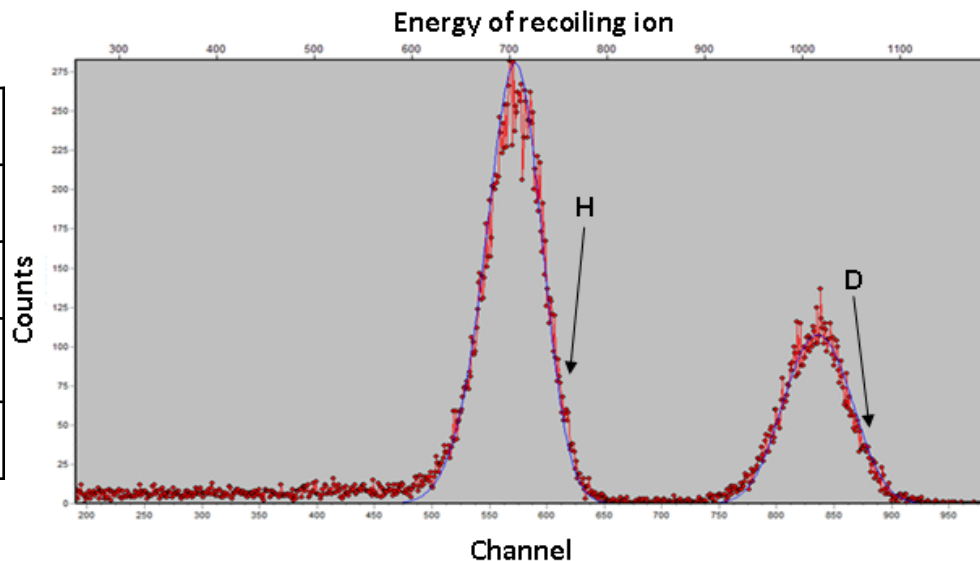


# RBS and ERD Spectra For The Same Target



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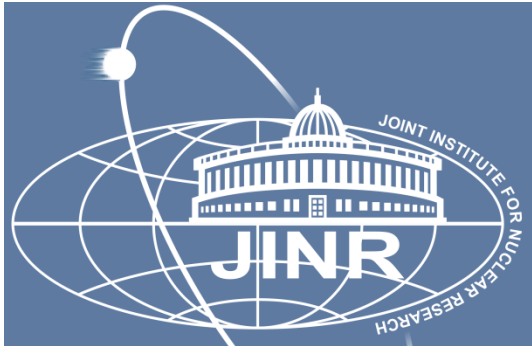


# Conclusion

- RBS and ERD can be used all elements from light to heavy elements
- Minimal Thickness layer about 10 nm
- Concentration of elements on each layer (1-100 %)
- Nuclear analytical methods: Intensity of beam  $<1 \mu\text{A}$

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