

Data and Physical Foundation of Analytical Methods in Pharmacology

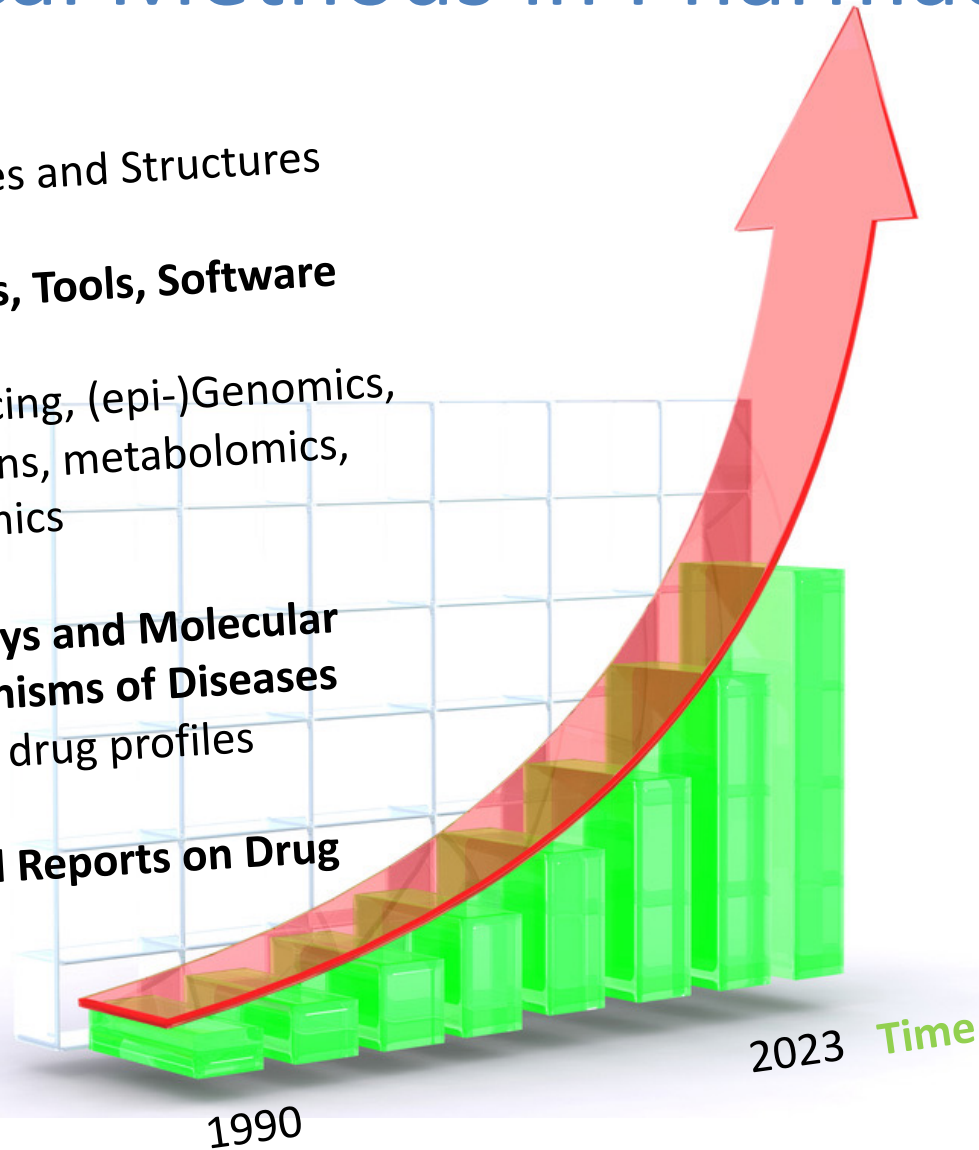
Molecules and Structures

Methods, Tools, Software

Sequencing, (epi-)Genomics,
mutations, metabolomics,
proteomics

**Pathways and Molecular
Mechanisms of Diseases**
Precise drug profiles

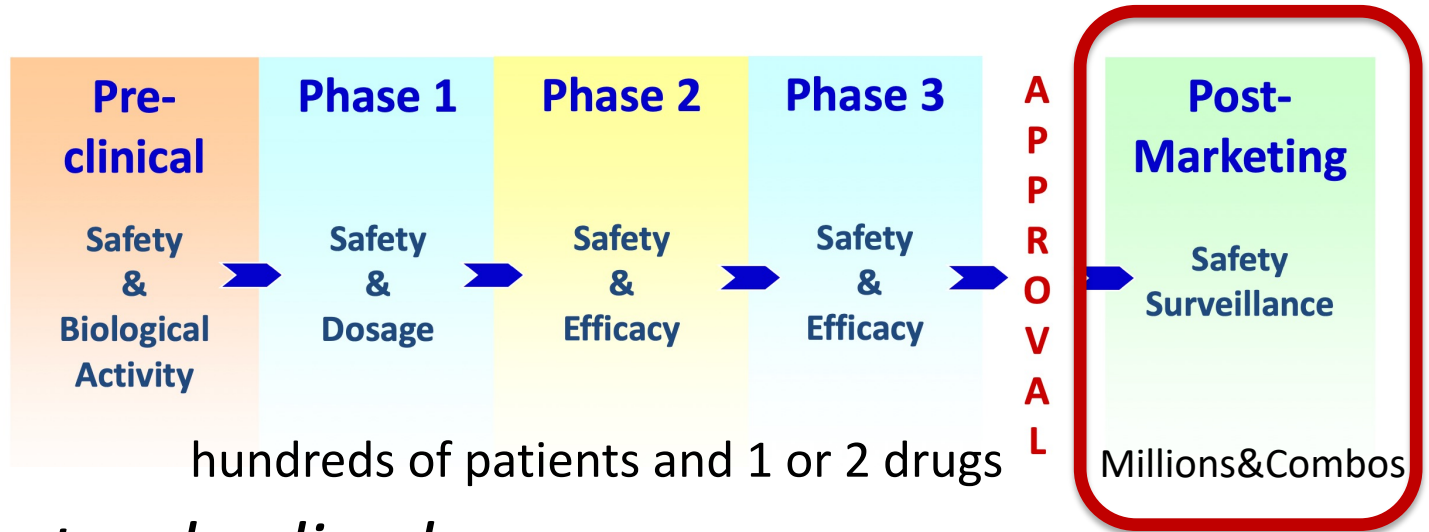
**Clinical Reports on Drug
ADRs**



Drugs have a diverse range of side effects

FDA Adverse Event Reporting System

- **Post-marketing safety surveillance:** 19 M reports



- *AE terms standardized*
- Drugs from the same target or same class (e.g. NSAIDs) have **different adverse** effects, and sometimes **beneficial** effects!

Some severe Adverse Effects of Drugs

- Death
- Fatigue
- Nausea
- Diarrhoea
- Headache
- Dyspnoea
- Pain
- Dizziness
- Vomiting
- Rash, pruritus
- Pyrexia
- Acute kidney injury, renal failure
- Constipation
- Anxiety, depression

FDA categories

- Death
- Life-threatening
- Hospitalization (initial or prolonged)
- Disability - significant, persistent, or permanent change, impairment, damage or disruption in the patient's body function/structure, physical activities or quality of life.
- Congenital abnormality
- Requires intervention to prevent permanent impairment or damage



The **FDA Adverse Event Reporting System (FAERS or AERS)** database of 18.75 million reports designed to support the post marketing safety surveillance program for all approved drug and therapeutic biologic products.

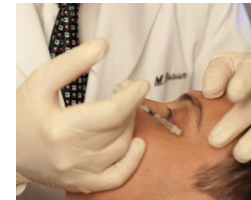
- ... (total number of ADRs in FAERS: N=17,870, frequent: n=11,500)

FAERS/ADRs research projects at SSPPS

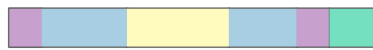
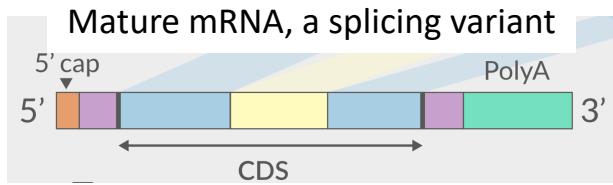
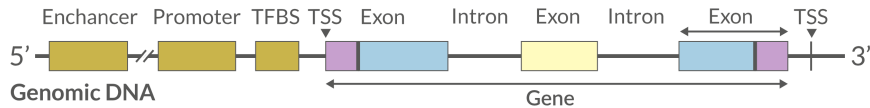
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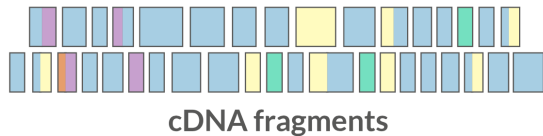
Analyzing 18.75 million ADR reports for 10,000 drugs and 17,800 adverse effects submitted to the FDA by pharmacists and physicians



(sc)RNA-sequencing, gene Expression, Mutations, Disease, Drug Treatment



ds-cDNA is more stable

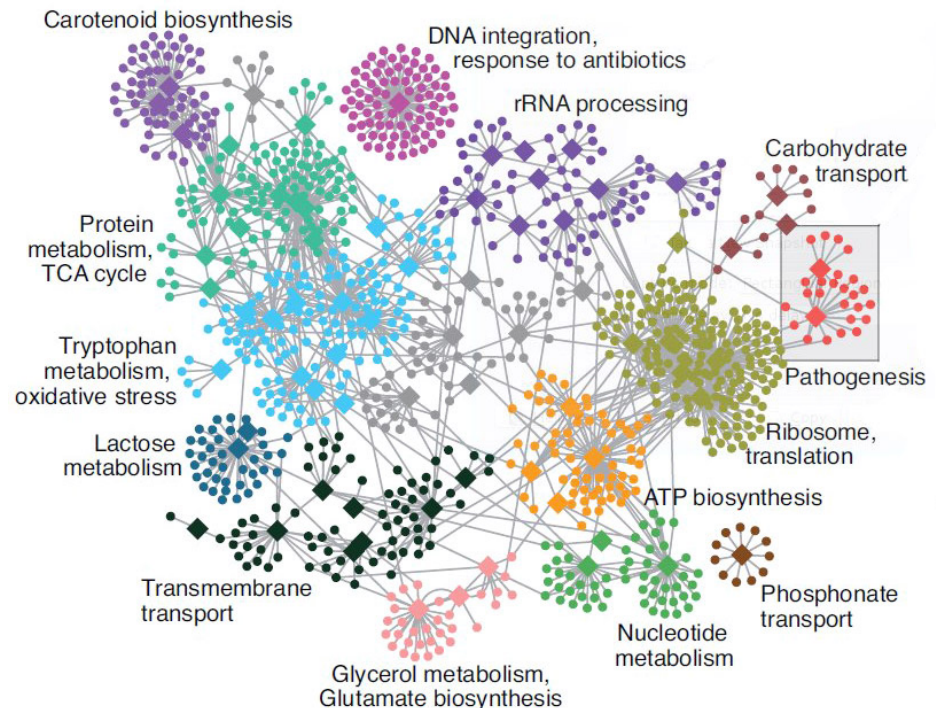


Sequencer (e.g., Illumina) generates “reads”
The reads are aligned to genomic DNA



Reveal: expression; mutations; alternative splicing, variants

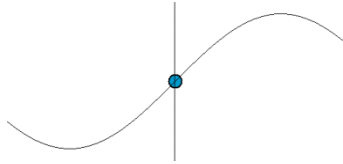
- Patient’s tissue samples can be sequenced to find levels of expression, mutations, splicing variants of > 20,000 genes.
- Subtypes of disease, or individual metabolic differences, may need different treatments
- Genes can be mapped on functional gene networks (Gene Ontology, a.k.a. GO)



Crystals of Drugs and their Targets

X-ray crystallography and high-res-EM is used to determine three-dimensional structure of drugs, their targets of drug-target complexes

Waves

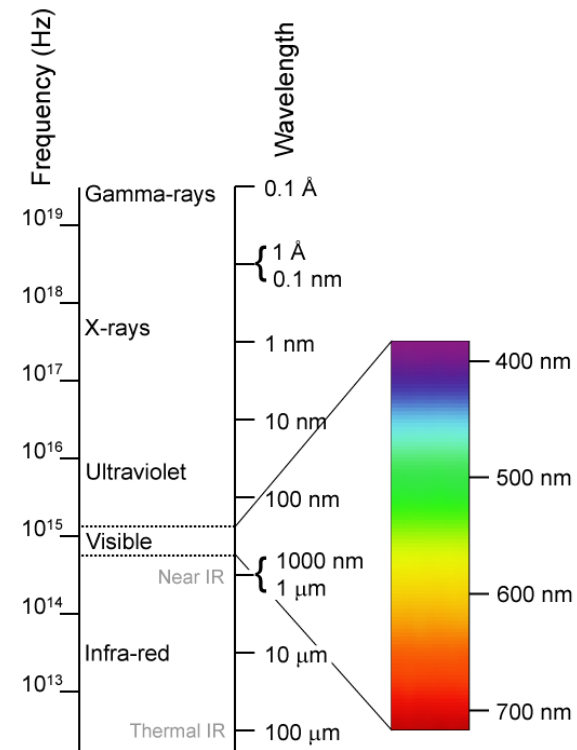


An X-ray picture (radiograph), taken by Wilhelm Röntgen in 1896, of Albert von Kölliker's hand.



Wilhelm Röntgen

Electromagnetic Spectrum



$$\lambda = c / f$$

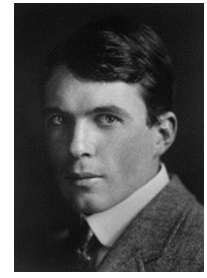
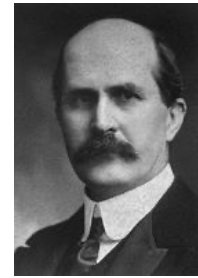
$$\omega = 2\pi f = 2\pi / T$$

$$E = hf = \hbar\omega$$

$$E_{mole} = N_A \hbar\omega$$

$$E_{X-ray} \sim 6 \cdot 10^{23} 10^{-34} 10^{18} \sim 6 \cdot 10^7 J / mol!$$

Diffraction: Bragg's Law



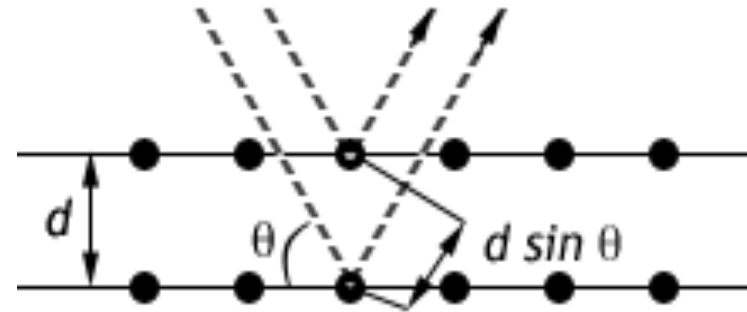
In 1915, William Henry Bragg and William Lawrence Bragg were awarded the Nobel Prize for their contributions to crystal structure analysis. They were the first and (so far) the only father-son team to have jointly won the prize.

- The path difference is $2d\sin\theta$
- The diffraction condition for a crystal

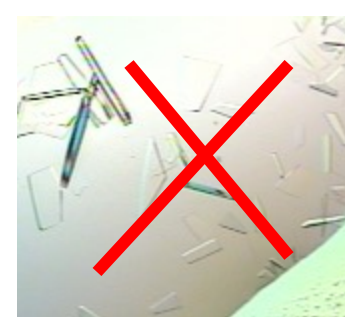
$$2d \cdot \sin \theta = n\lambda$$

- λ is the wavelength of gamma-rays ($\sim 1.5\text{\AA}$)
- d is the distance between planes,
- θ is the angle of diffraction
- and n is an integer known as the *order* of the diffracted beam

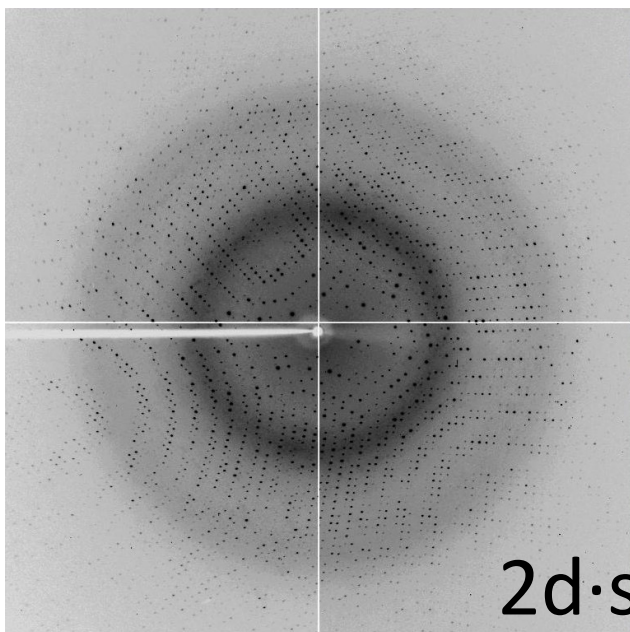
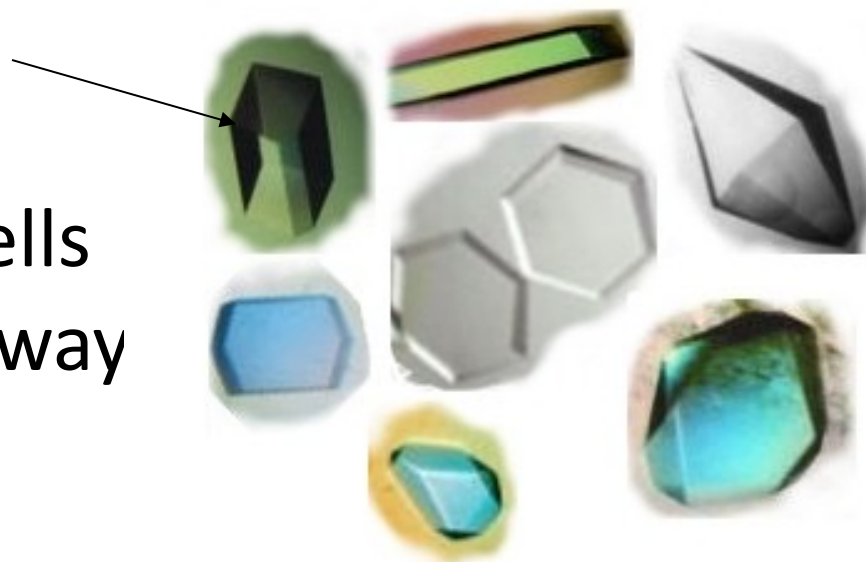
- Coherence will only be achieved for certain values of θ for each set of planes



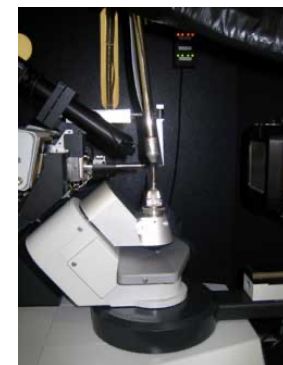
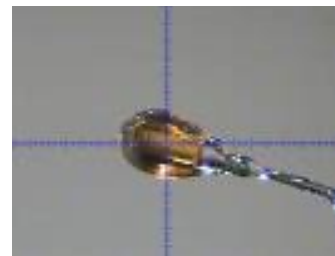
Single Crystal



- Only **one** crystal is mounted for X-ray crystallography
- In this crystal all unit cells are oriented the same way

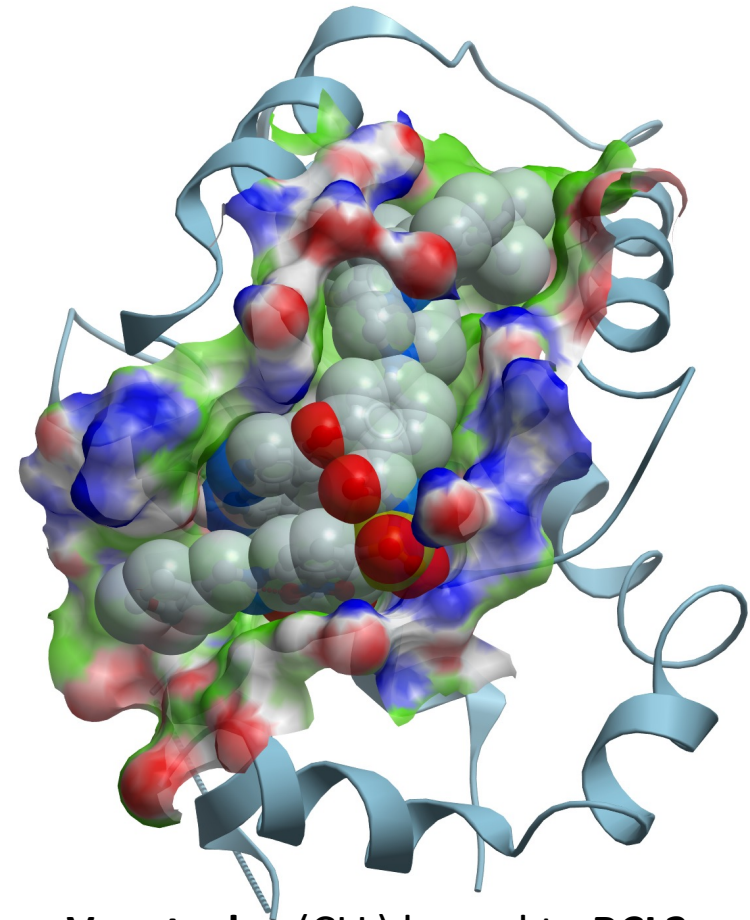


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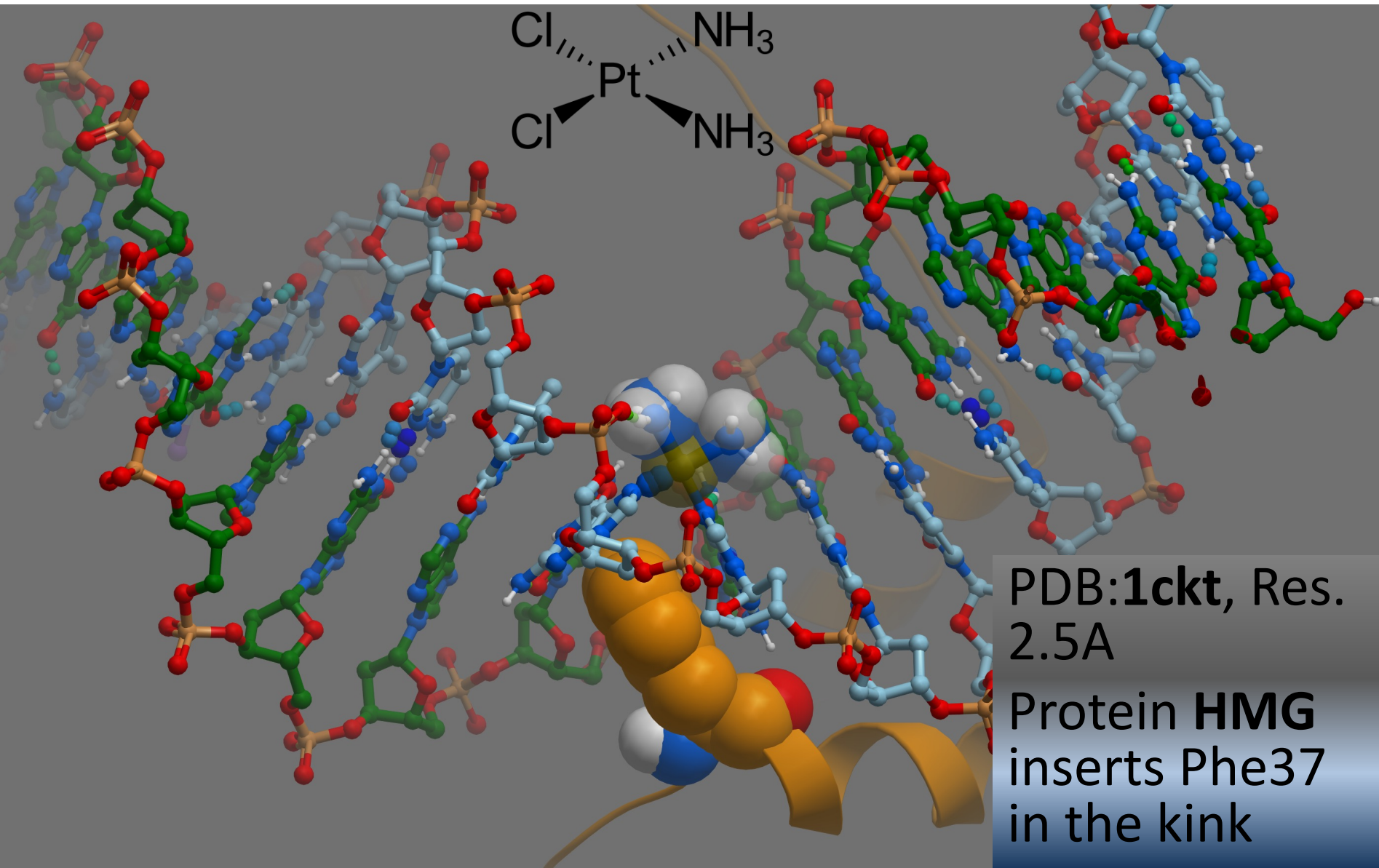
Drug Targets in Protein Data Bank (PDB)

- Most of drug targets have been crystallized and 3D atomic structure determined by X-ray crystallography, EM (hi-res), NMR and other methods
- Many drugs can be found in the PDB bound to their targets in 3D
- PDB contains >200,000 experimental structures and > 1M low quality models predicted by Google AlphaFold(2).



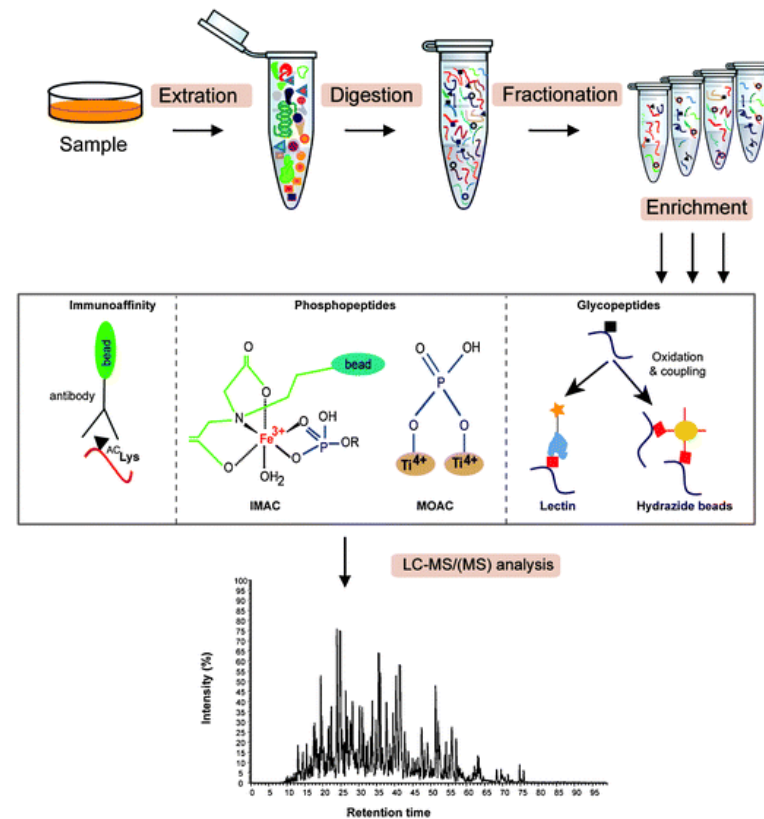
Venetoclax (CLL) bound to **BCL2**

Cisplatin bends DNA by make bonds with two Guanines

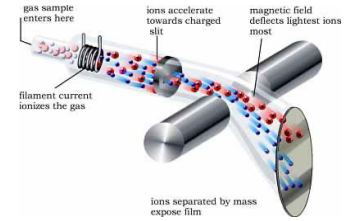


Analytical Methods in Pharmacology

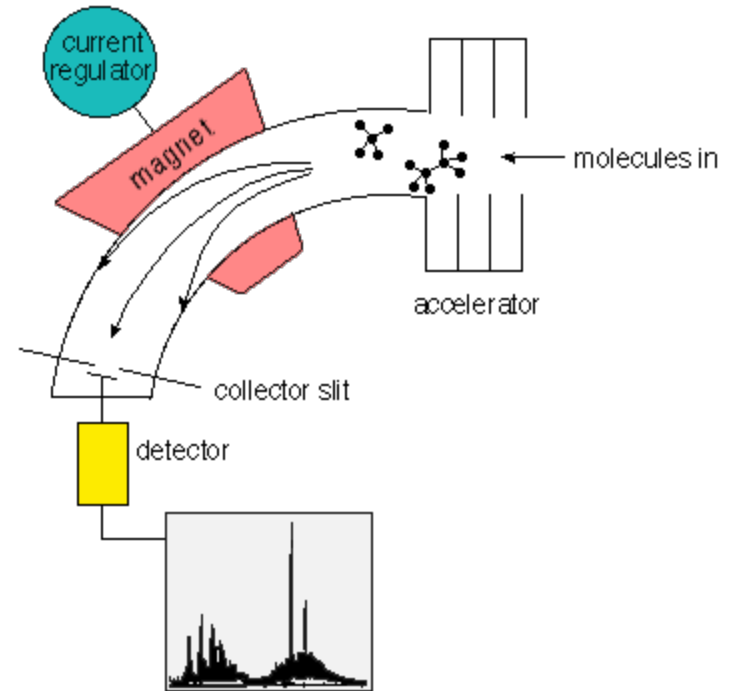
- Crystallography
- Gene sequencing
- Spectroscopy, -metry
- Mass Spectrometry
- Chromatography (e.g. LC)
- Nuclear Magnetic Resonance
- Binding assays
- PCR, .. *more* ...



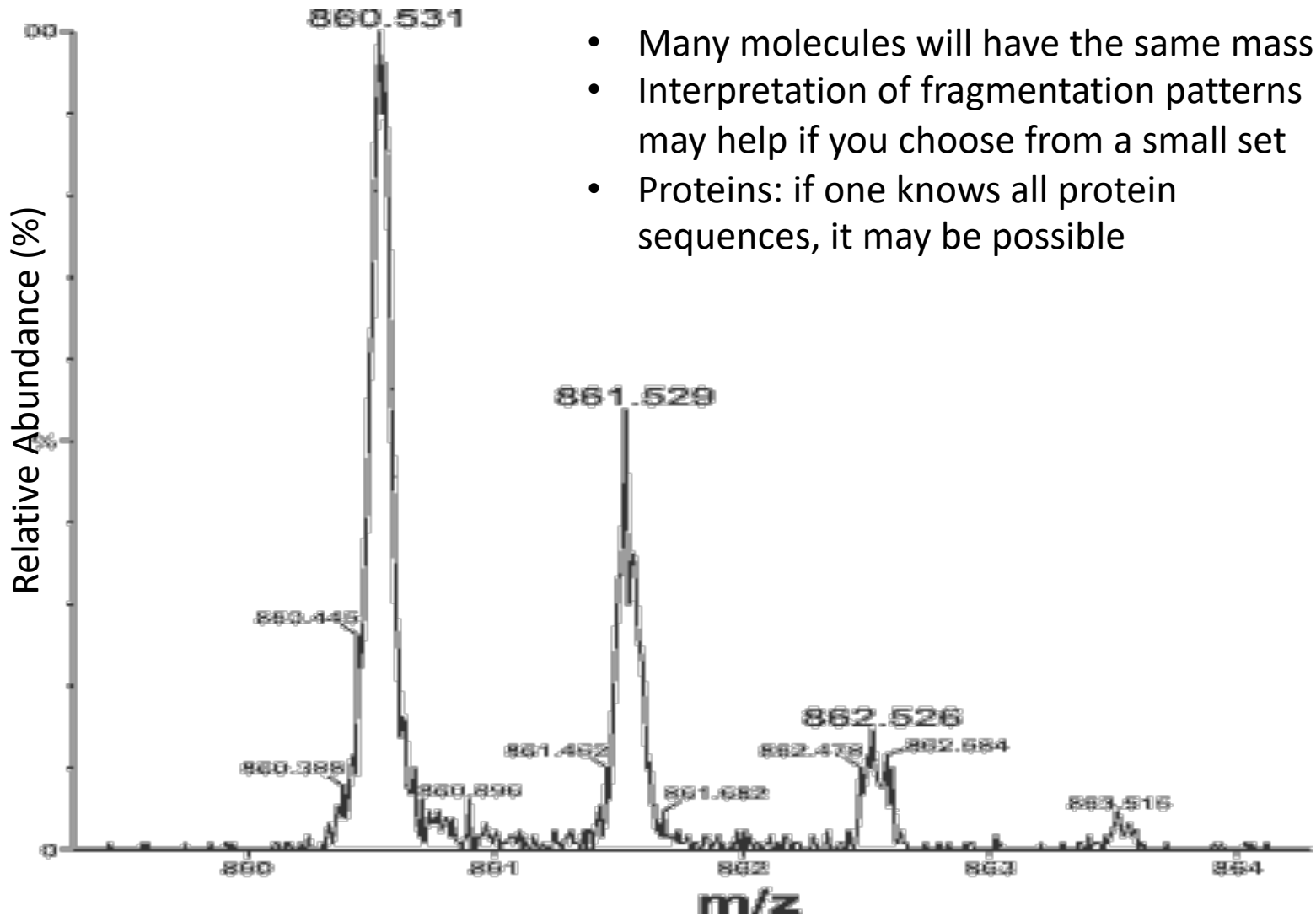
Mass Spectrometry



- Analytical tool measuring molecular weight of molecules in chemistry, biology and pharmacology
- Only picomolar concentrations required
- Within 5 ppm for small organic molecules
- For a 40 kDa protein, there is a 4Da error
- MS can detect amino acid substitutions, post-translational modifications



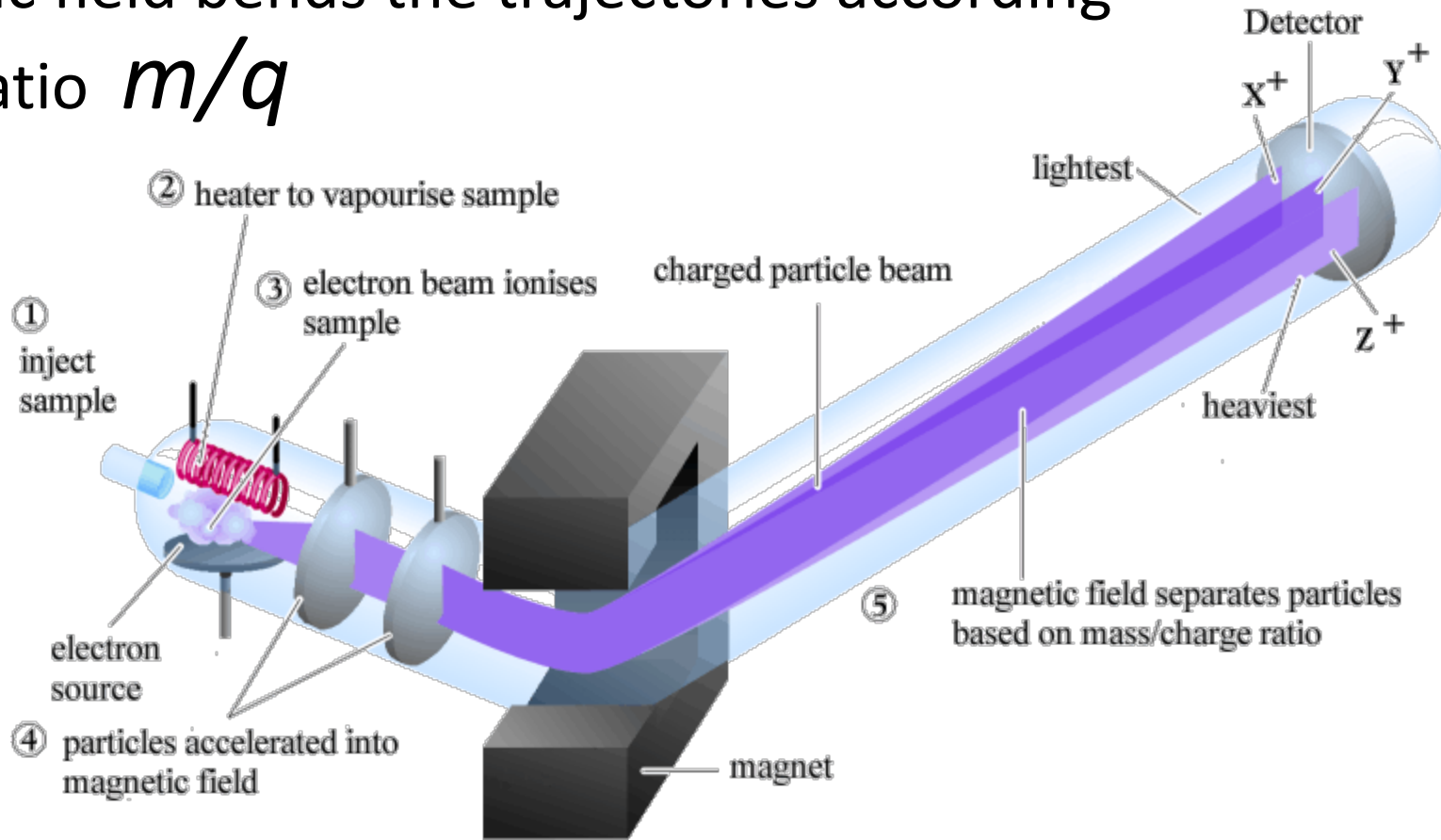
Mass (divided by charge) Spectrum



- Many molecules will have the same mass
- Interpretation of fragmentation patterns may help if you choose from a small set
- Proteins: if one knows all protein sequences, it may be possible

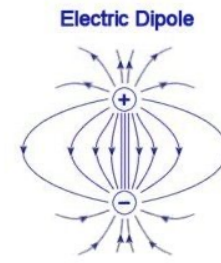
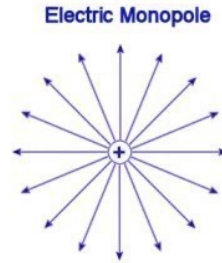
Physics behind MS

- An ion moves in a magnetic field
- A neutral molecule CAN NOT BE measured with MS
- Magnetic field bends the trajectories according to the ratio m/q

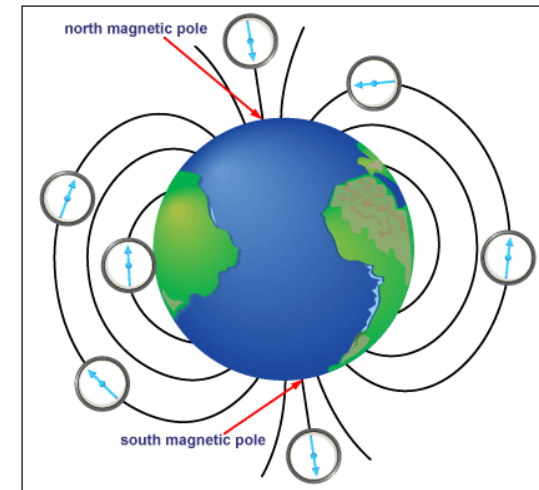
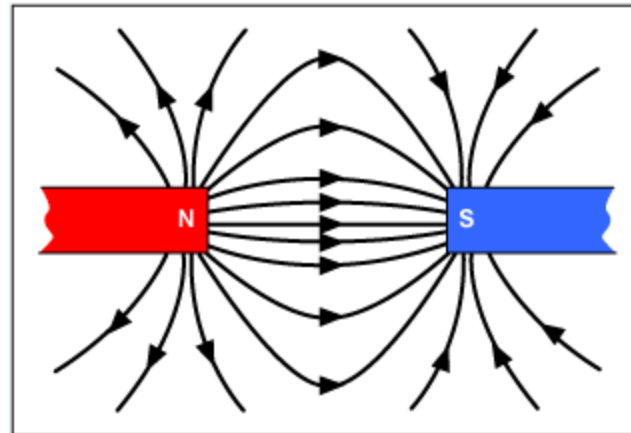
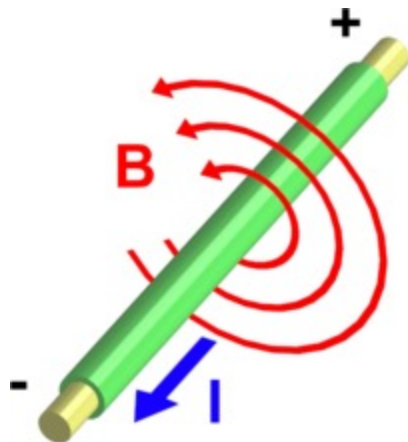
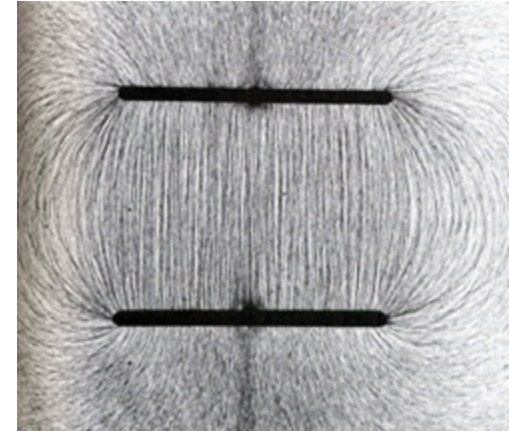


Electric (E) and Magnetic (B) Fields

- Field = Force on a prok charge $q=1$
- Current (I) flowing through a wire produces a magnetic field , B [tesla]

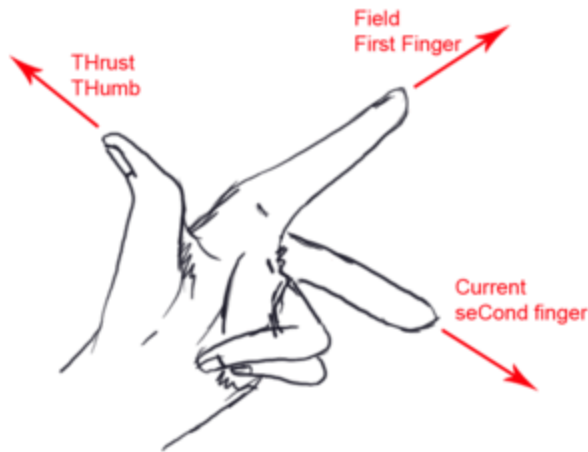
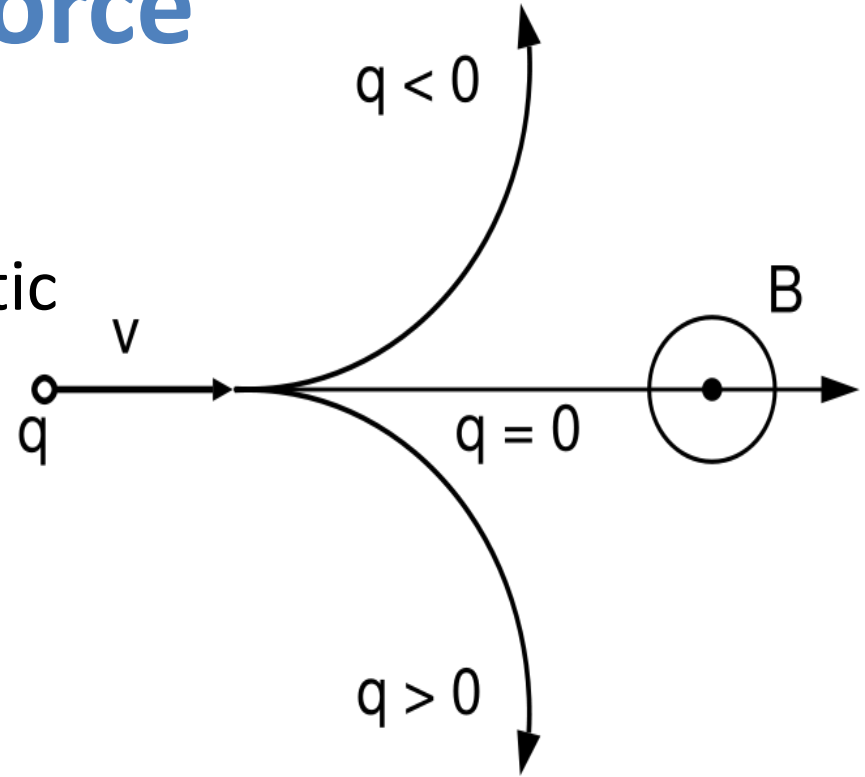


$$E_{Coulomb} = C \frac{q_{source}}{r^2}$$



Lorenz Force

- When charged molecules move in electric and magnetic fields
- In electric fields they accelerate. $\mathbf{F}_{el} = q\mathbf{E}$
- In magnetic fields their trajectories bend $\mathbf{F}_{mg} = q\mathbf{v}\mathbf{B}$



$$\mathbf{F} = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

$$(m/q)\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$$

\times is the vector cross product

Radius of ion trajectory

- The magnetic force is perpendicular to \mathbf{V} – it causes circular motion with acceleration v^2/R by providing the centripetal force, R – is the radius
- If magnetic field \mathbf{B} is perpendicular to \mathbf{V} , then radius R can be calculated

$$m\mathbf{a} = q\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$\frac{mv^2}{R} = qvB$$

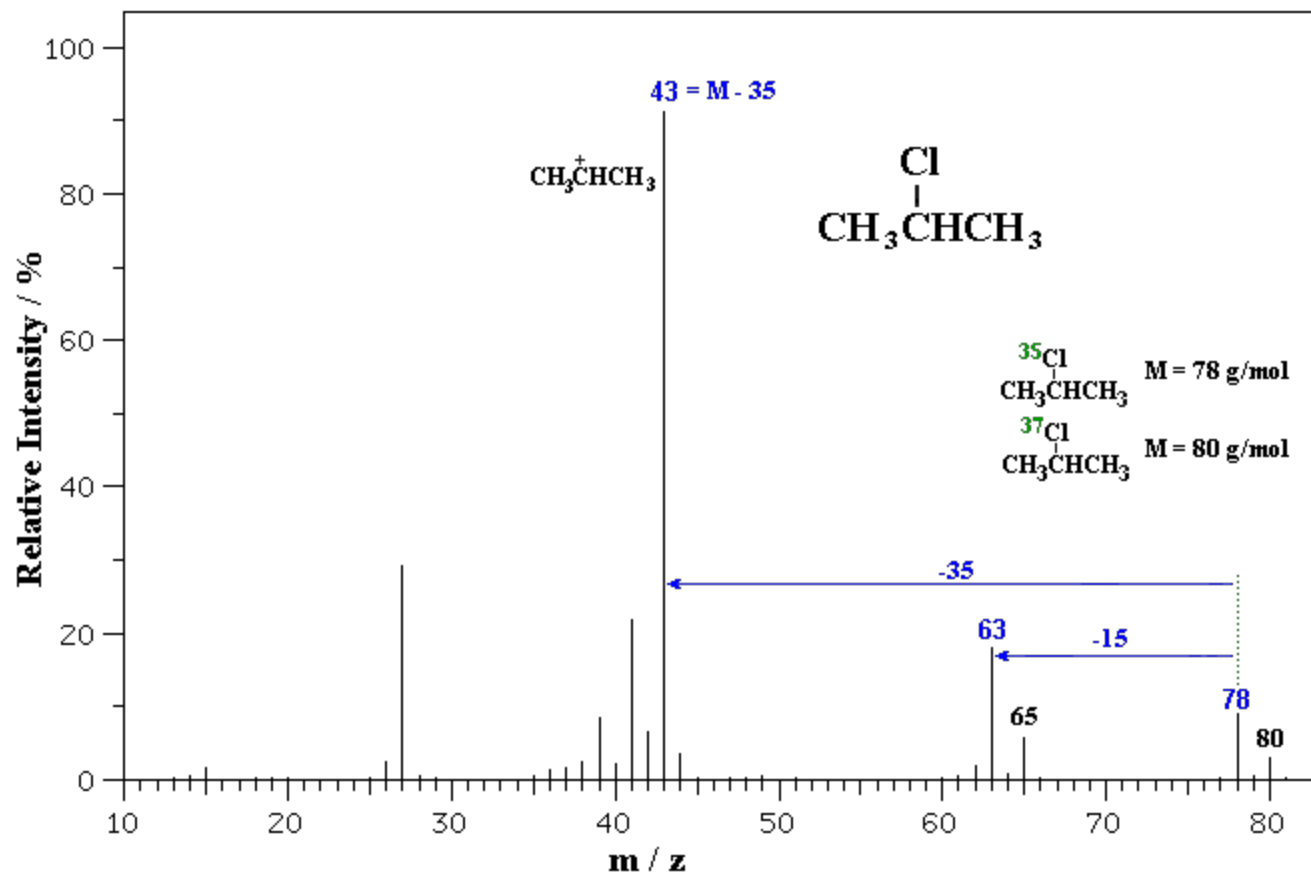
$$R = \frac{m}{q} \frac{v}{B}$$

Mass-to-charge ratio

- m/q , or m/e , or m/z , z is the electronic charge of a molecular ion or fragment. If $z=+1$, $m = m/z$
- **Mass**: isotopes are detected. E.g. ^{12}C , ^{13}C , ^{79}Br : ^{81}Br , intensity 1:1 and ^{35}Cl : ^{37}Cl , intensity 3:1
- **Charge**: in an **electron impact** mass spectrometer, a high energy beam of electrons displaces **an electron** from the organic molecule to form a **radical cation** known as the **molecular ion**.
- If the molecular ion is too unstable then it can **fragment** to give other smaller ions.
- Useful links: <https://www.instructables.com/id/How-to-Read-a-Simple-Mass-Spectrum/>

Spectrum of 2-chloropropane

- Loss of Cl gives the main peak.



Separation of mixtures

- Chromatography, (greek, color- writing)
- Chromatography exploits partition between a **mobile phase** and a **stationary phase** to separate the components in a mixture.
- Molecules interact with the stationary phase based on charge, relative solubility or adsorption
- Gas, thin layer, paper,
- Column (liquid)
 - ion-exchange (charge)
 - size-exclusion (size)
 - Affinity
 - FPLC (proteins) and HPLC (pressure)



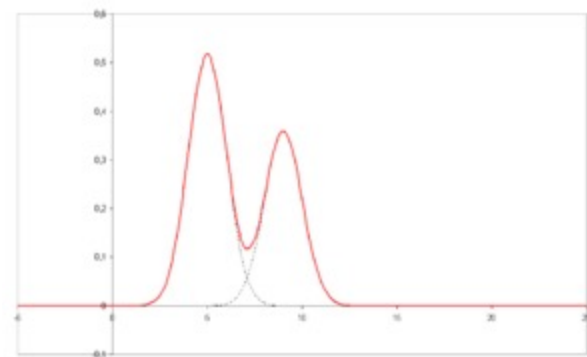
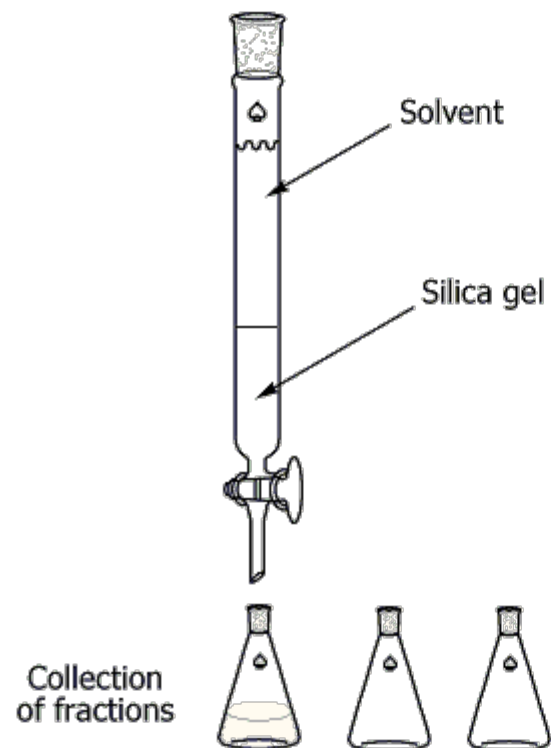
Mikhail Semenovich Tsvet, 1872 – 1919, a Russian botanist. He used liquid - adsorption column chromatography



Thin layer chromatography is used to separate components of chlorophyll

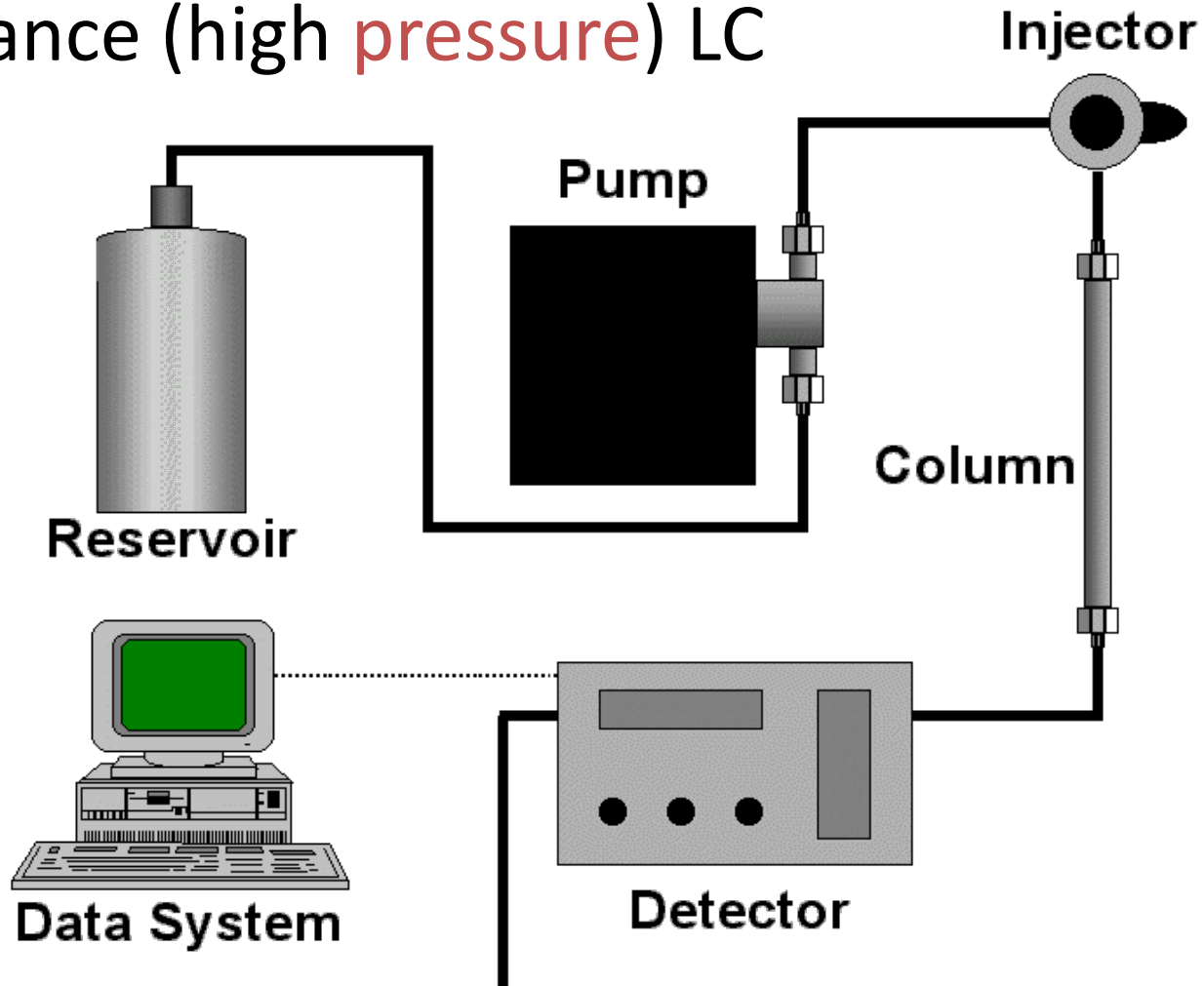
Chromatography terms

- **Preparative chromatography** is used to nondestructively purify sufficient quantities of a substance for further use, rather than analysis. *Large HPLC columns.*
- **Analytical chromatography** is used to determine the identity and concentration of molecules in a mixture. Quantitative. *Mid-size HPLC columns*
- LC of LCMS. *Small HPLC columns.*
- The **analyte** is the substance which is to be purified
- A **chromatogram** is the visual output of the chromatograph. Different peaks -> different molecules
- The **mobile phase** is the analyte and solvent mixture which travels through the stationary phase
- The **retention time** is the characteristic time it takes for a particular molecule to pass through the system
- **Stationary phase:** Examples include the silica layer, or columns



HPLC

- High-performance (high **pressure**) LC



Shopping in Factory outlets

- The *elution time* depends on the number and duration of stops



An Analogy for

Chromatographic Separation



mixed swarm of
bees & hornets enter
flower bed...



bees visit flowers;
hornets don't...



hornets leave the bed
first.

Final exams are a good reminder to be thankful you didn't get accepted into any of the better schools you applied to.



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The Final



Don't worry, it's not tennis – you always win

Laptop, Tablet, iPad or other mobile device
is fine for 3 things:

Calculator

Access to the lecture notes (! A big win)

Entering the answers usual way

Time limit of 2 hours is strict. The page will
be closed at 12pm sharp.