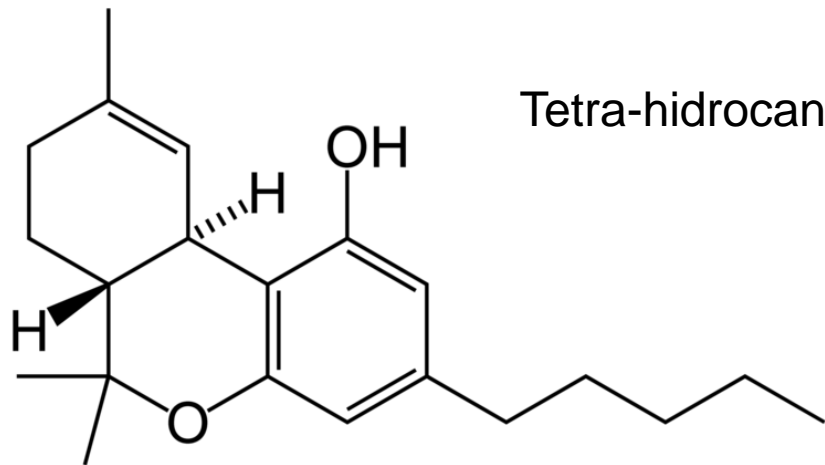
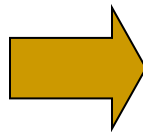
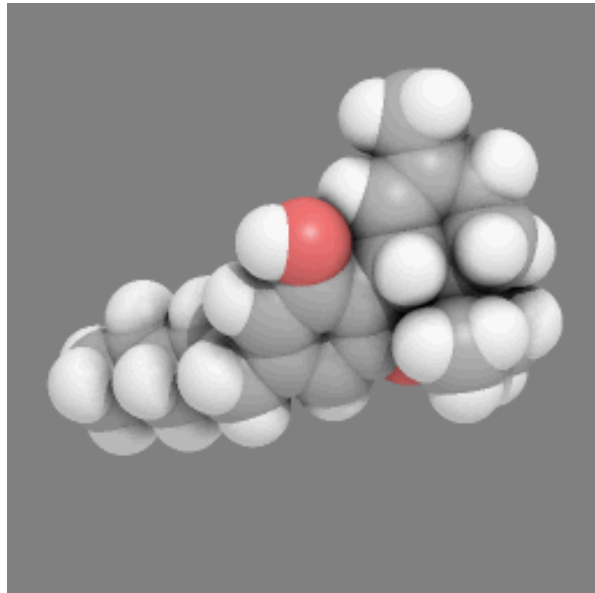


Grande parte dos FÁRMACOS foi obtida, ou desenvolvida, a partir de produtos naturais



Tetra-hidrocanabinol

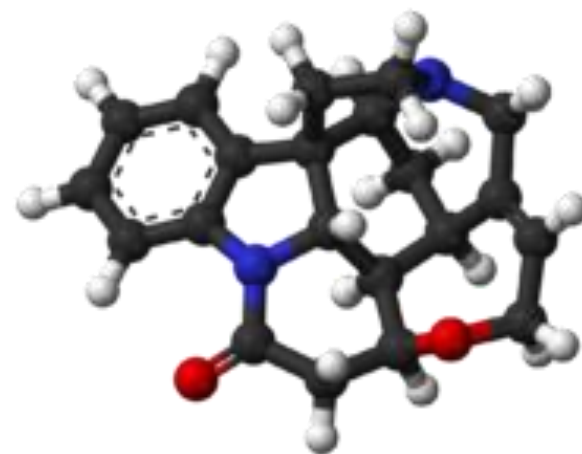
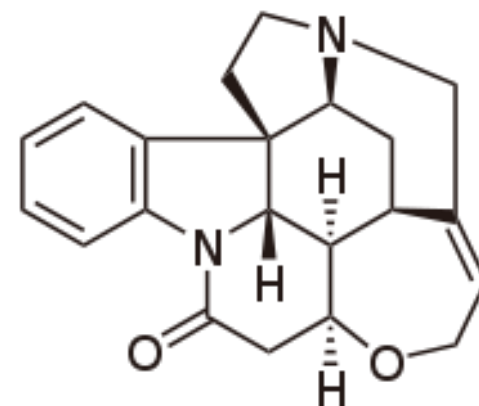
# História

*Elucidação estrutural de produtos naturais costumava ser muito árdua e demorava.*

Estriquinina *alcalóide tóxico isolado por Pelletier & Caventou (1818)*

**Passado:** H. Leuchs trabalhou em sua estrutura por **40 anos** até que R. Woodward (1954) o venceu.

**Hoje:** requer <1 mg amostra;  
**Um fim-de-semana** seria suficiente.



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# Etapas para elucidação estrutural

- Determinação da Fórmula Molecular
- Caracterizar Grupos funcionais
- Degradação da Molécula e Síntese de Derivados

## Atualmente

- Métodos Espectroscópicos

# STRUCTURAL ELUCIDATION

- *Spectroscopic methods:*

- *Infrared (IR)*

- indicates presence of functional groups:

- C=O** ~ 1670 – 1750 cm<sup>-1</sup>

- amide, ketone, ester

- OH, NH/NH<sub>2</sub>** ~ 3100 cm<sup>-1</sup> to 3500 cm<sup>-1</sup>

- Limitation; non polar and semi polar compounds only.

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# STRUCTURAL ELUCIDATION cont'd

## ➤ *Mass Spectrometry*

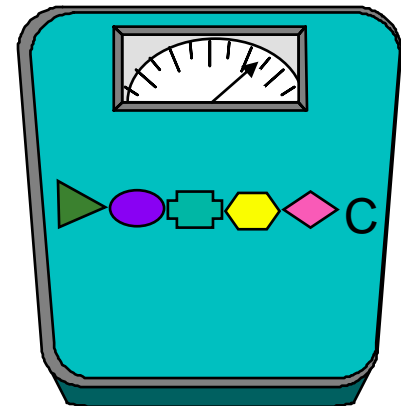
- Enables the determination of molecular weight.
- Aids structural elucidation – fragmentation peaks: loss of CO ( $M^+ - 28$ ), loss of H<sub>2</sub>O ( $M^+ - 18$ ).
- Enables identification of mixtures; **MS-MS**.
- Various ionization techniques – to accommodate different compounds; polar, ionic, non-polar, macromolecules.
- Various Analyzers; usage (**MS-MS, HRMS**), cost.

# NUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE

## ➤ *Nuclear Magnetic resonance:*

- ❑ Permits the establishment of the structural skeleton of the compound investigated.
- ❑  $^1\text{H}$ NMR showed resonances of protons while  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR showed the C resonances.
- ❑ **Allows to establish the connectivity between carbons and protons.**
- ❑ **One dimensional and two dimensional techniques available:**
  - **COSY, HMQC, HMBC, NOESY etc.**
- ❑ **For  $^1\text{H}$ NMR ~ 1-5 mg (pure) sufficient**
- ❑ **For  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ~ 20 mg sufficient.**

# Espectrometria de Massas



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## *O QUE FAZ UM ESPECTRÔMETRO DE MASSAS?*

1. Ele mede a massa melhor do que qualquer outra técnica.
2. Ele pode dar informações sobre as estruturas químicas.

## *PARA QUE SERVEM AS MEDIÇÕES DE MASSA?*

Para identificar, verificar e quantificar: metabólitos, proteínas recombinantes, proteínas isoladas de fontes naturais, oligonucleotídeos, candidatos a fármacos, peptídeos, produtos químicos orgânicos sintéticos, polímeros



# Aplicações da Espectrometria de Massas

## Análise Farmacêutica

- Estudos de biodisponibilidade
- Estudos do metabolismo de fármacos, farmacocinética
- Caracterização novos fármacos
- Análise de produtos de degradação em medicamentos
- Triagem de candidatos a medicamentos
- Identificação de alvos de drogas

## Caracterização de biomoléculas

- Proteínas e peptídeos
- oligonucleotídeos

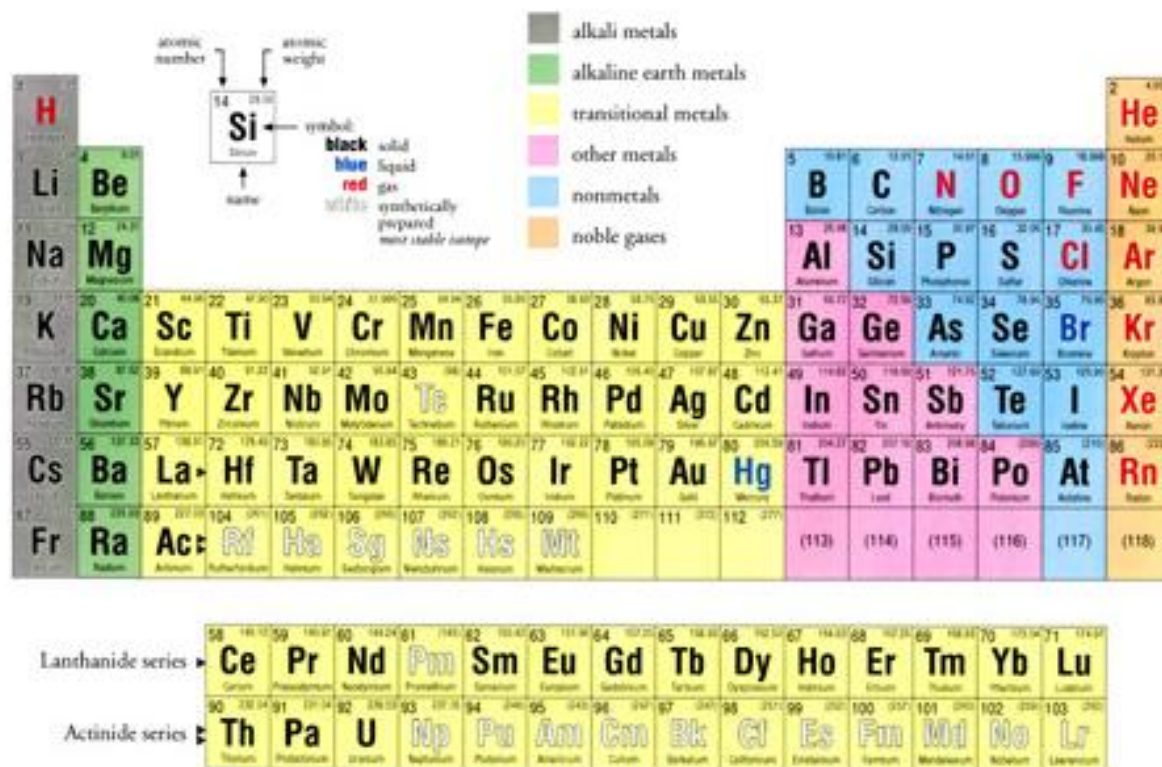
## Análise ambiental

- Pesticidas em alimentos
- Contaminação do solo e águas subterrâneas

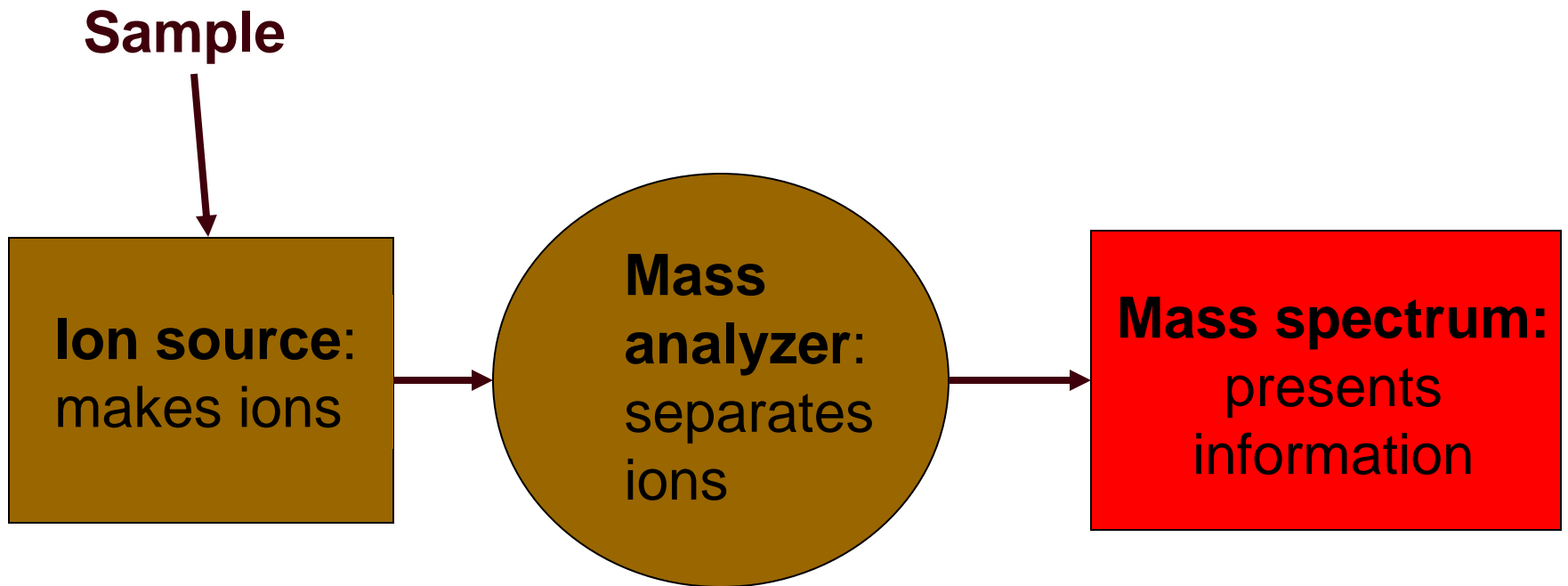
## Análise forense / clínica

# MS Principles

- Different elements can be uniquely identified by their mass



# *How does a mass spectrometer work?*



# ■ Only gaseous ions can be detected by MS:

- MS provides molecular weight or fragmentations for structural information
- according to their *mass to charge ratio*
- output signals : *the relative abundance of each ionic species.*

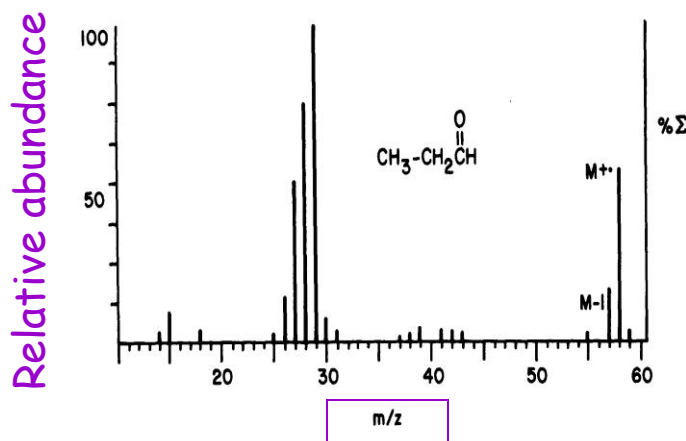
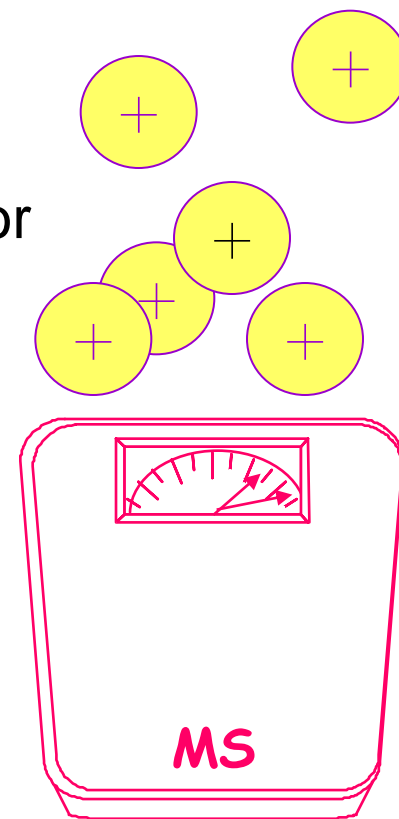
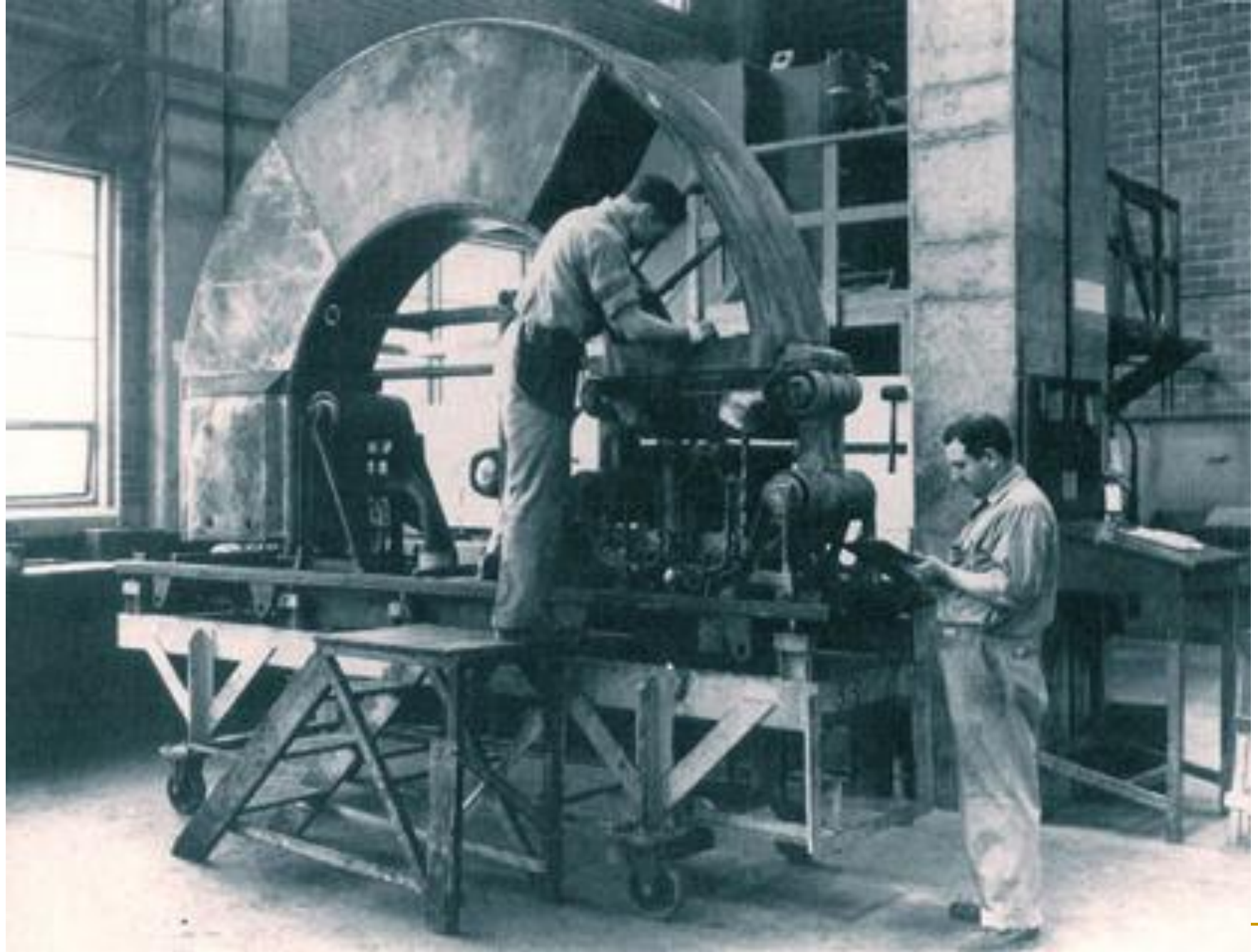


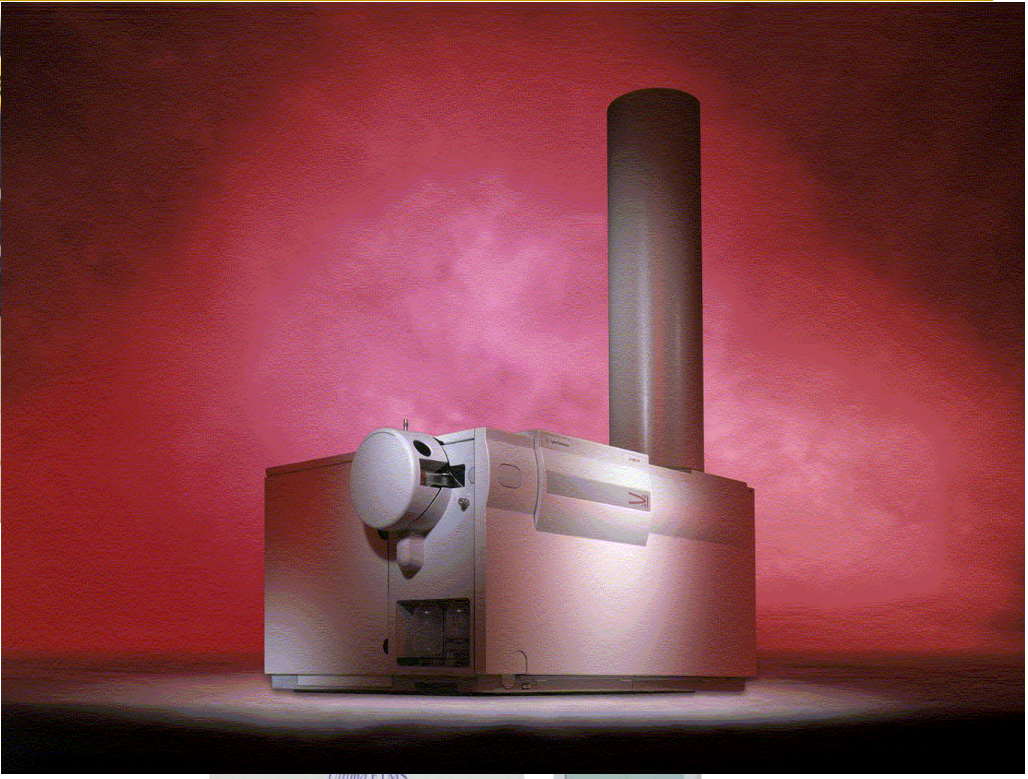
FIG. 1.7. Bar-graph mass spectrum of propionaldehyde.

# Espectrometria de Massas

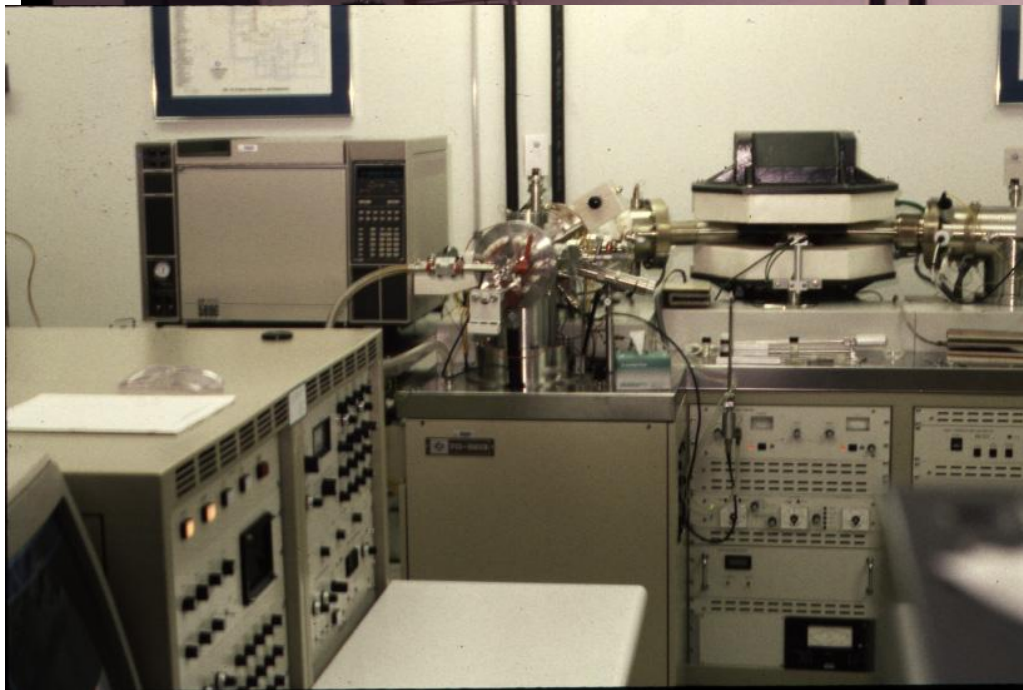
## Resumo Histórico

- 1898 – Wien observou que um feixe de íons positivos poderiam ser desviados empregando campo elétrico ou magnético.
- 1912 – Thomsom provou a existência de dois isótopos de neônio usando um instrumento que desviava os íons em um campo elétrico.
- 1918 – Dempster e Aston desenharam instrumentos que foram utilizados nas medidas de abundâncias relativas de isótopos.
- 1940 – Espectrômetros de massas começaram a ser utilizados em indústrias de petróleo.
- 1960 – McLafferty, Beynon, Biemann, Djerassi e Budzikiewicz entre outros estudaram a fragmentação de compostos orgânicos no espectrômetro de massas.





# GC/MS – Circa Late 1980s





# “Bench-top” LC/MS Systems



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# Base da Espectrometria de Massas

Que informações podem ser obtidas?

- Peso molecular
- Fórmula molecular (HRMS)
- Estrutura (a partir de padrões de fragmentação)
- Incorporação isotópica / distribuição
- Seqüência de proteína (MS-MS)

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# Mass Spectrometry Basics

Mass spectrometry has 4 basic operations:

- Sample introduction (analyte must be in vapor phase)
- Ionization
- Mass analysis ( separating ions by mass/charge ratio)
- Detection and quantitation

# Sample Introduction

<u>Method</u>	<u>Applications</u>
Batch (reservoir)	gases, volatile liquids
Direct insertion probe	very low vapor pressure solids and liquids
Membrane	aqueous solutions, air samples
Chromatography eluent	LC-MS, GC- MS, etc.

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# Ionization Methods

## 1. Electron Ionization (EI)

most common ionization technique, limited to relatively low MW compounds (<600 amu)

## 2. Chemical Ionization (CI)

ionization with very little fragmentation, still for low MW compounds (<800 amu)

## 3. Desorption Ionization (DI)

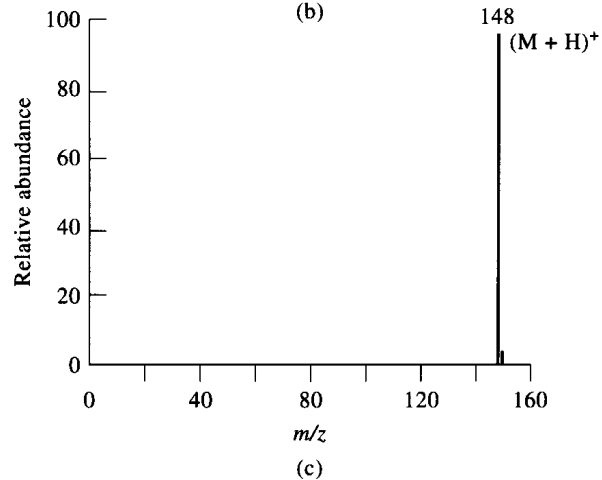
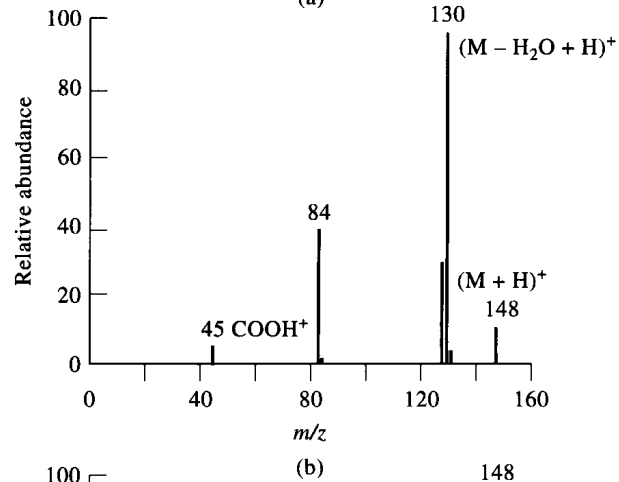
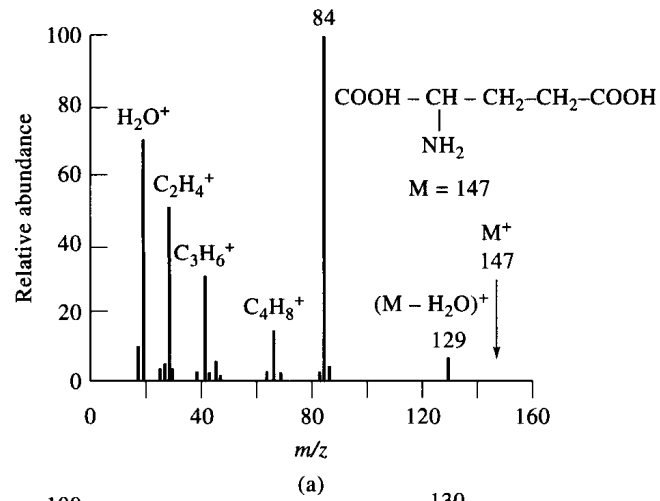
for higher MW or very labile compounds

## 4. Spray ionization (SI)

for LC-MS, biomolecules, etc.

# Glutamic Acid

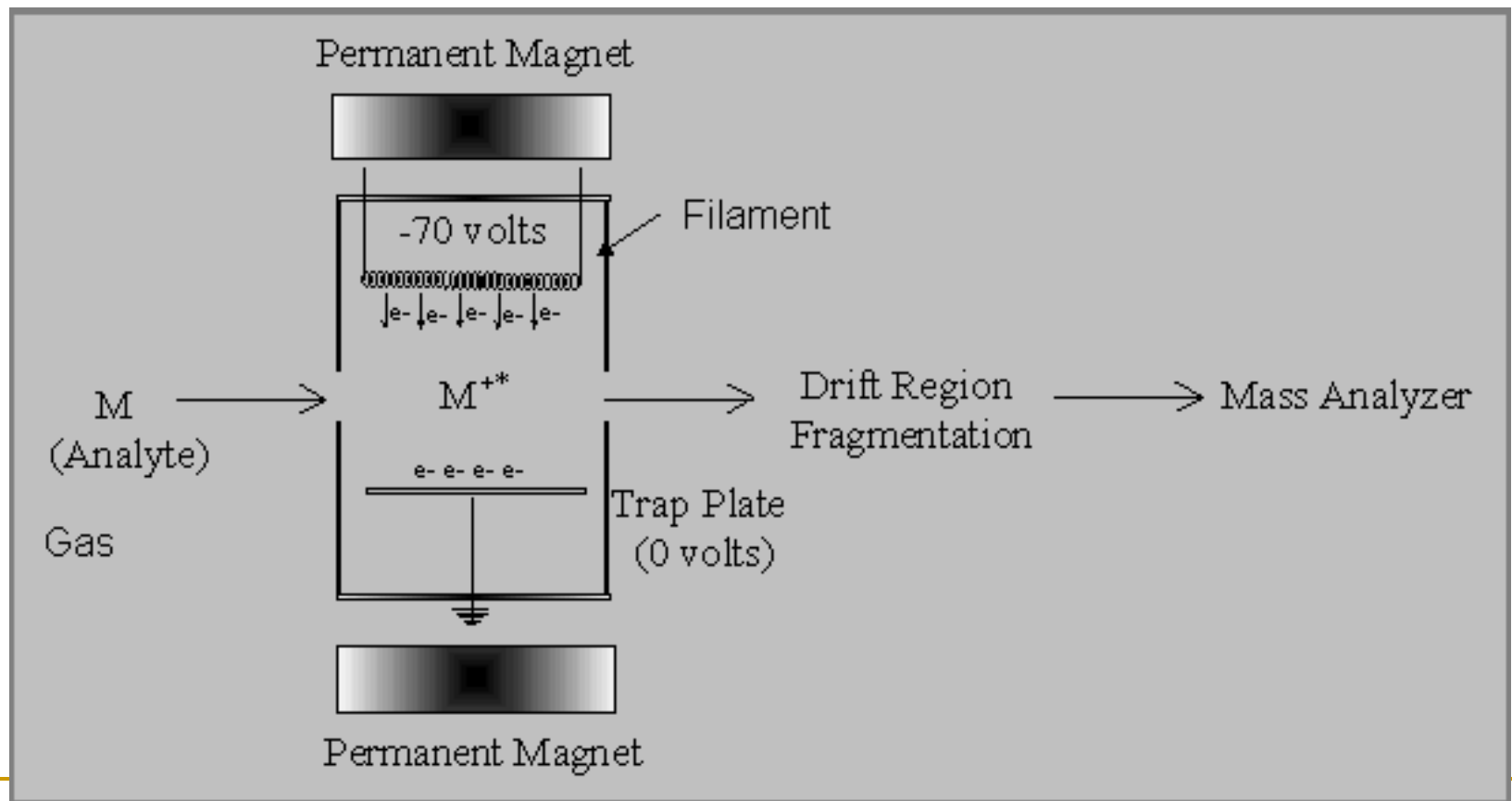
Electron Impact (EI)



Field Ionization

Field Desorption

# Electron Impact



# How to ionize neutral sample?

## Positive ion mode

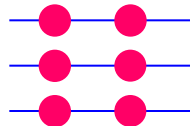
- Remove an electron  $\rightarrow M^+$ .
- Add one or more protons  $\rightarrow (M+nH)^{n+}$
- Fragmentation to produce ionized fragments, "fragment ions"



# How does ionization occur?

Consider the Ionization potential

- a minimum amount of energy for ion formation to occur.
- the first ionization potential  
the energy input required to remove an electron from the highest occupied atomic or molecular orbital of the neutral particle



- **First ionization potential**

- in the *5-15 eV* range for most elements
- in the *8-12 eV* range for most organic molecules and radicals

$$1 \text{ eV} = 1.6021 \times 10^{-19} \text{ Joules} = 3.8291 \times 10^{-20} \text{ calories}$$

- **To remove a second, third, *etc* electron, additional energy is needed.**

- When **excess energy** is available, **fragmentation** of the molecule may also occur during the process of ionization

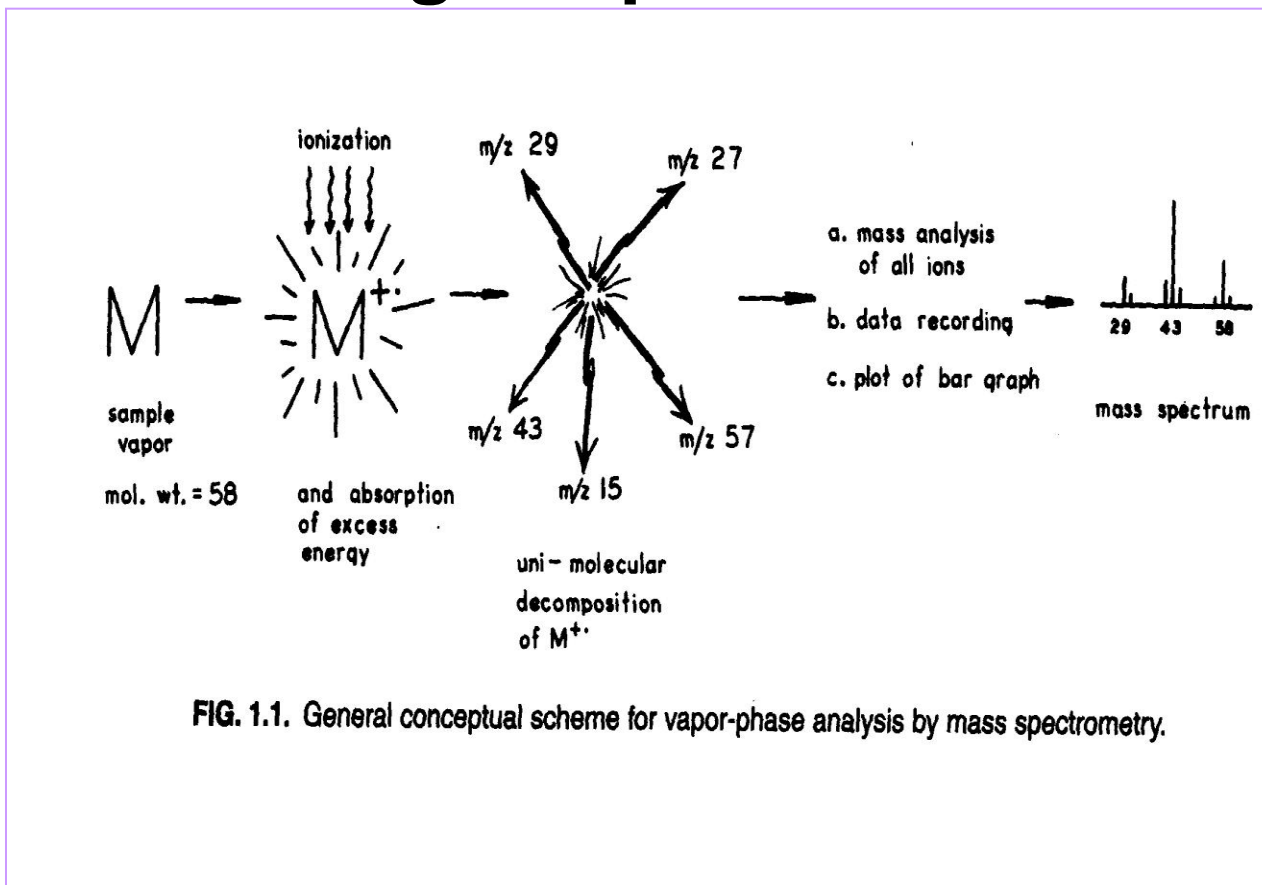
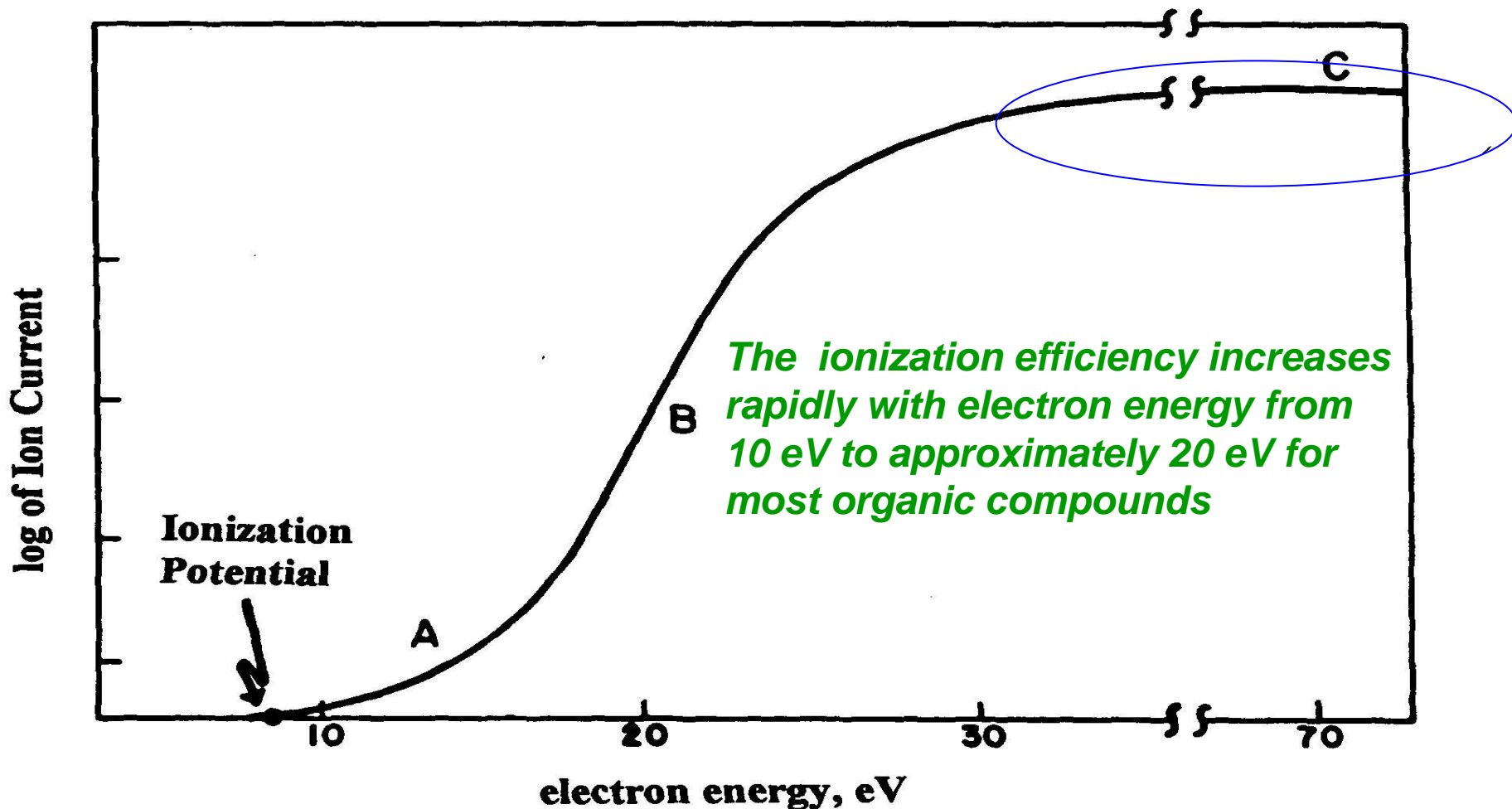


FIG. 1.1. General conceptual scheme for vapor-phase analysis by mass spectrometry.

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**Why chose 70 eV as ionization voltage?**

**1 eV** is the energy gained (23 kcal/mole) by **an electron** in traversing an electric field maintained by **a potential difference of 1V**.



**FIG. 7.3.** Relationship between ion production and energy (electron volts) of ionizing electrons: *region A*, threshold region, principally molecular ions produced; *region B*, production of fragment ions becomes important; *region C*, routine operation, mostly fragment ions.

# Ionization Efficiency

- On average, one ion is produced for every 1000 molecules entering the source under the usual spectrometers conditions, at 70 eV.

1/1000

*Negative ions are not produced under electron impact conditions.*

The energy associated with the electron has to be about 1 eV for the capture to be possible.

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- ❑ at that level the perturbations in electron energy have negligible effects on **ion production**
  - ❑ **Reproducible fragmentation pattern** are obtained

# Electron Impact

(low picomole)

## Advantages

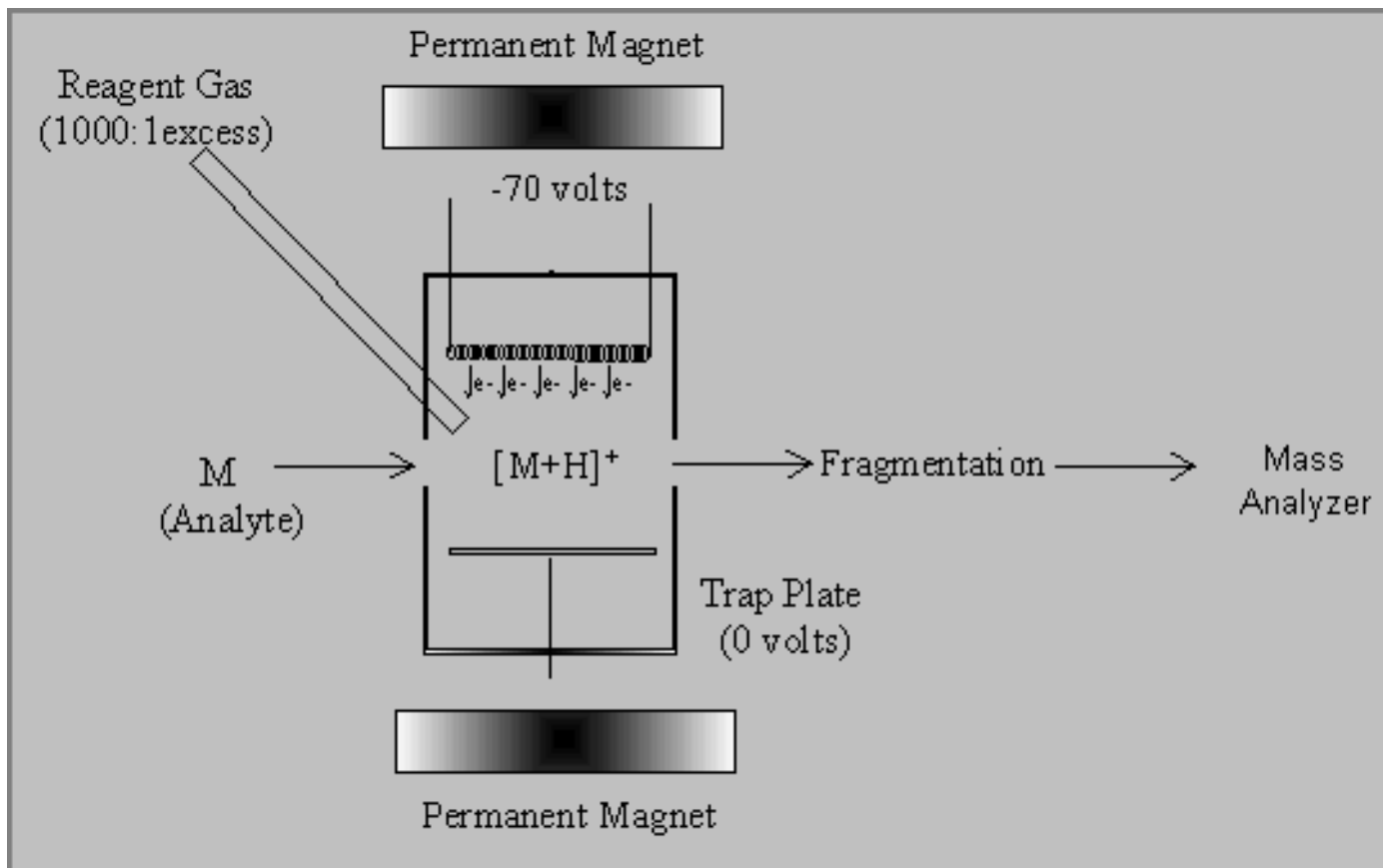
- Well-Established
- Fragmentation Libraries
- No Supression
- Insoluble Samples
- Interface to GC
- Non-Polar Samples

## Disadvantages

- Parent Identification
- Need Volatile Sample
- Need Thermal Stability
- No Interface to LC
- Low Mass Compounds (<1000 amu)
- Solids Probe Requires Skilled Operator

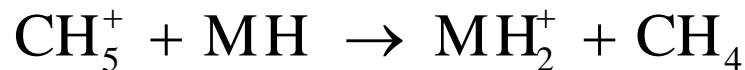
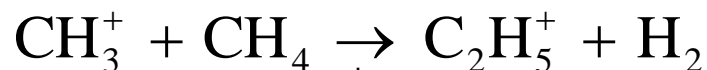
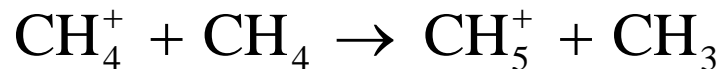
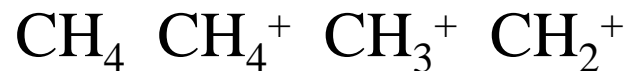


# Chemical Ionization



# Chemical Ionization MS Sources

High Energy electrons →



Sample Molecule MH



Molecule Ions



# Chemical Ionization

(low picomole)

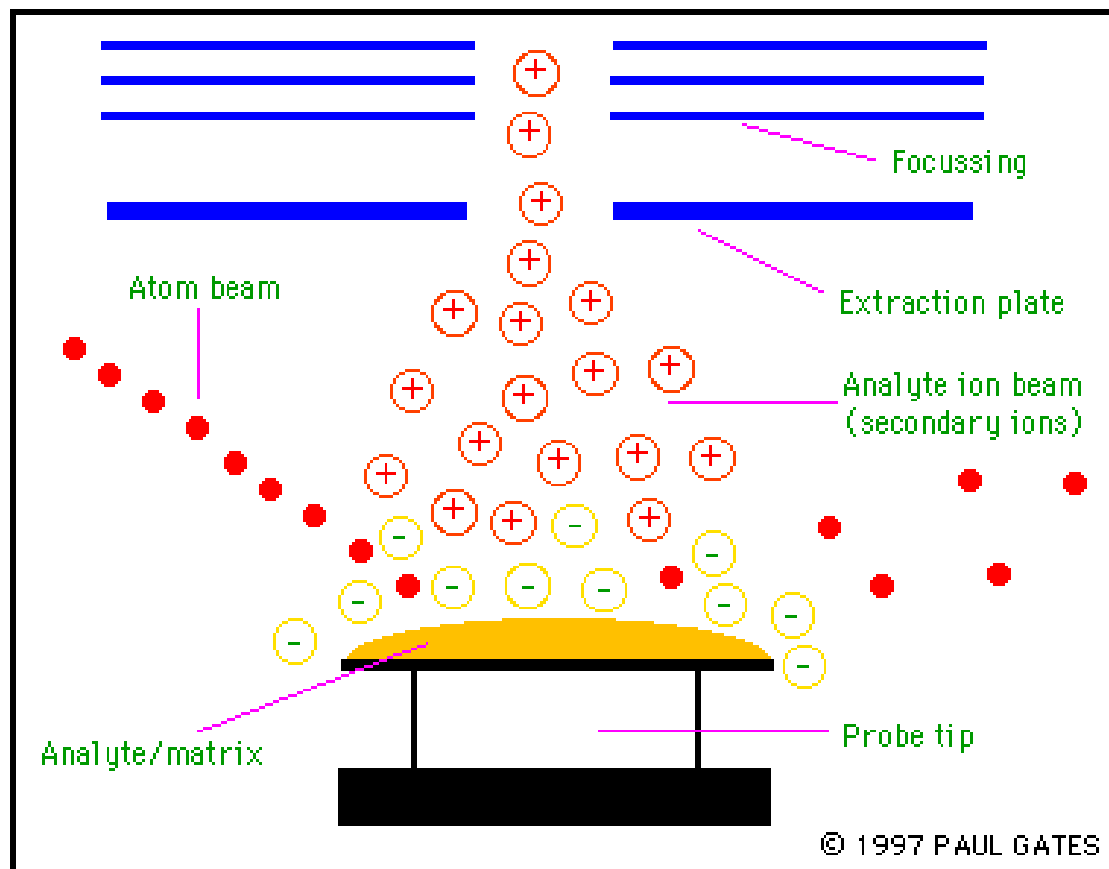
## Advantages

- Parent Ion
- Interface to GC
- Insoluble Samples

## Disadvantages

- No Fragment Library
- Need Volatile Sample
- Need Thermal Stability
- Quantitation Difficult
- Low Mass Compounds (<1000 amu)
- Solids Probe Requires Skilled Operator

# FAB



# FAB

(nanomole)

## Advantages

- Parent Ion
- High Mass Compounds (10,000 amu)
- Thermally Labile Compounds (R.T.)

## Disadvantages

- No Fragment Library
- Solubility in Matrix (MNBA, Glycerol)
- Quantitation Difficult
- Needs Highly Skilled Operator
- Relatively Low Sensitivity

# Matrix-assisted Laser Desorption/Ionization Mass Spectrometry (MALDI)

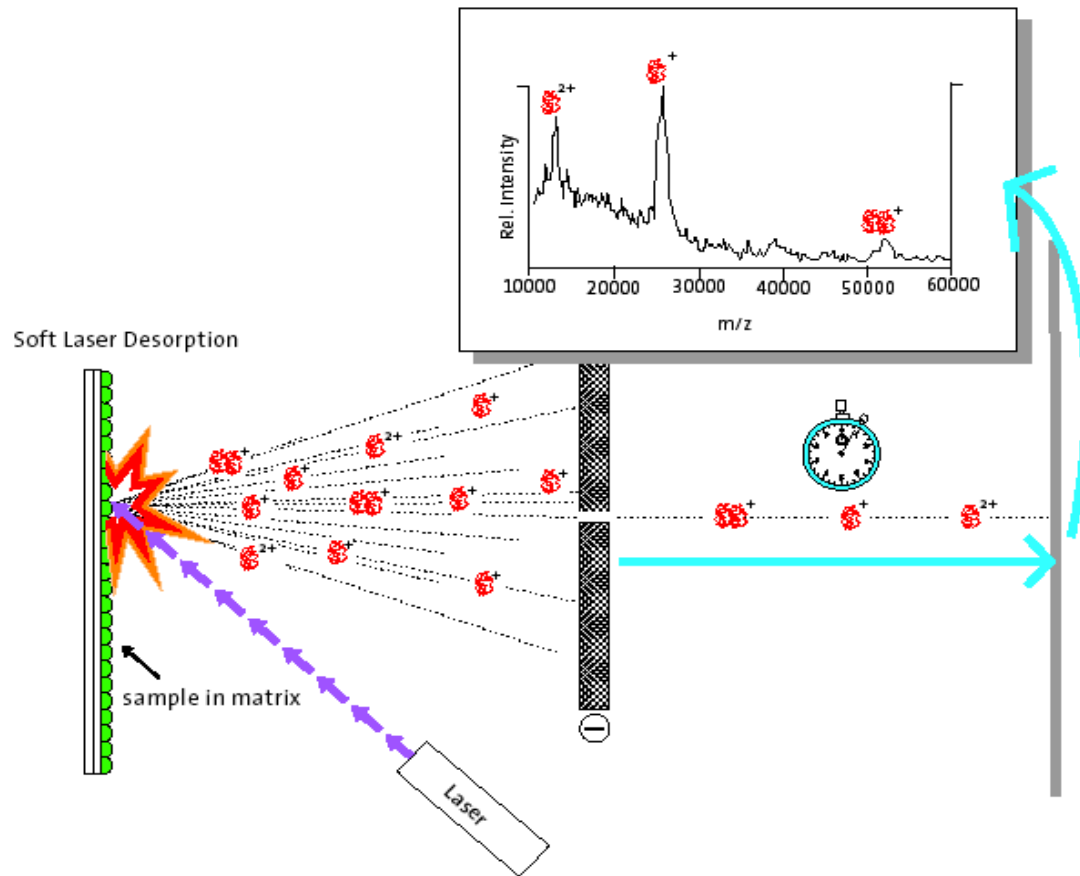
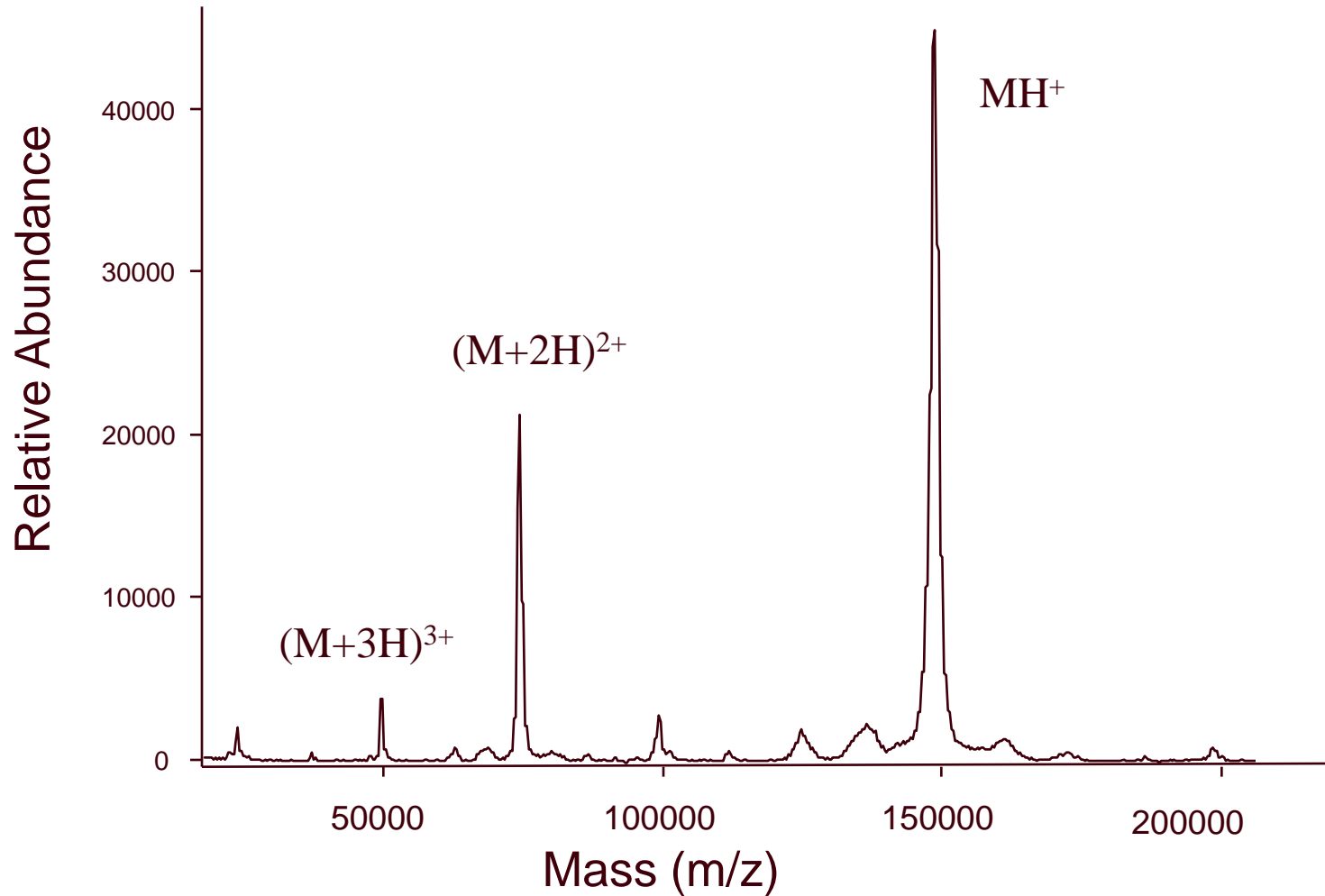


Figure 2. The soft laser desorption process.

# *The mass spectrum shows the results*

## MALDI TOF spectrum of IgG



# MALDI

(low femtomole)

Advantages                      Disadvantages

- Parent Ion
- High Mass Compounds (>100,000 amu)
- Thermally Labile Compounds (R.T.)
- Easy to Operate

- No Fragment Library
- Wide variety of matrices
- Quantitation Difficult



# Método de Ionização por Nebulização

## Ionização por *Electrospray* (ESI)

A amostra é nebulizada a partir de uma agulha que se encontra sob uma diferença de potencial (0 a 5 kV) que ajuda na ionização e separação dos íons, enquanto o calor e o fluxo de gás ( $N_2$ ) dessolvatam os íons gerados.

### Vantagens:

- bom p/ substâncias polares e íons
- detecção de substâncias de alto peso molecular pela razão m/z
- melhor método p/ múltiplas cargas
- baixo *background*
- controle de fragmentação

### Limitações:

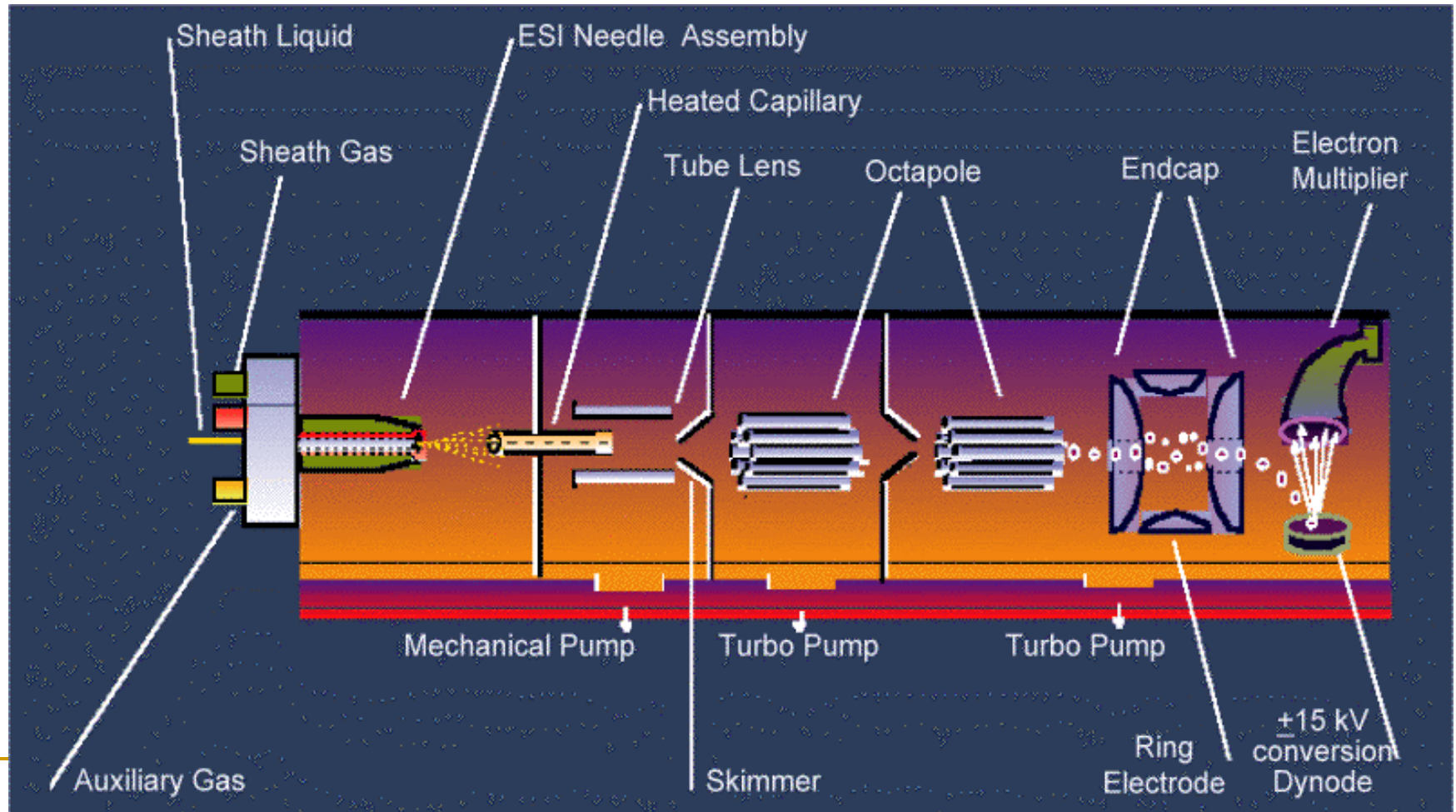
- interpretação dos dados de espécies com múltiplas cargas
- ruim para substâncias neutras e pouco polares
- muito sensível a contaminantes
- corrente iônica baixa

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**Intervalo de massa:** tipicamente até 150.000 Da.

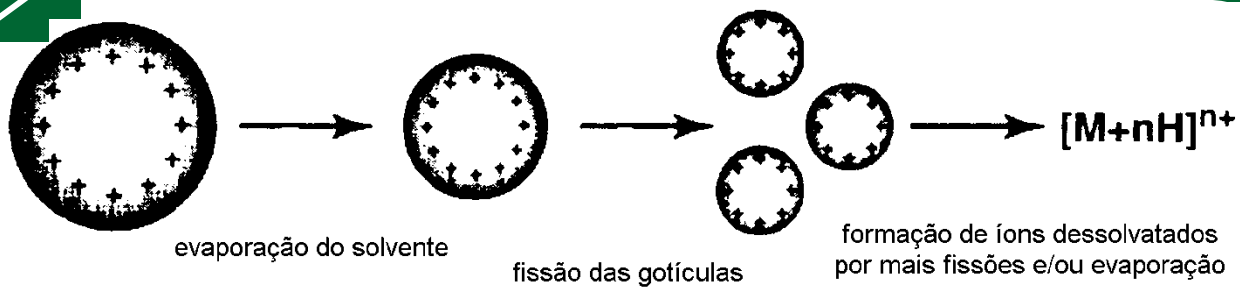
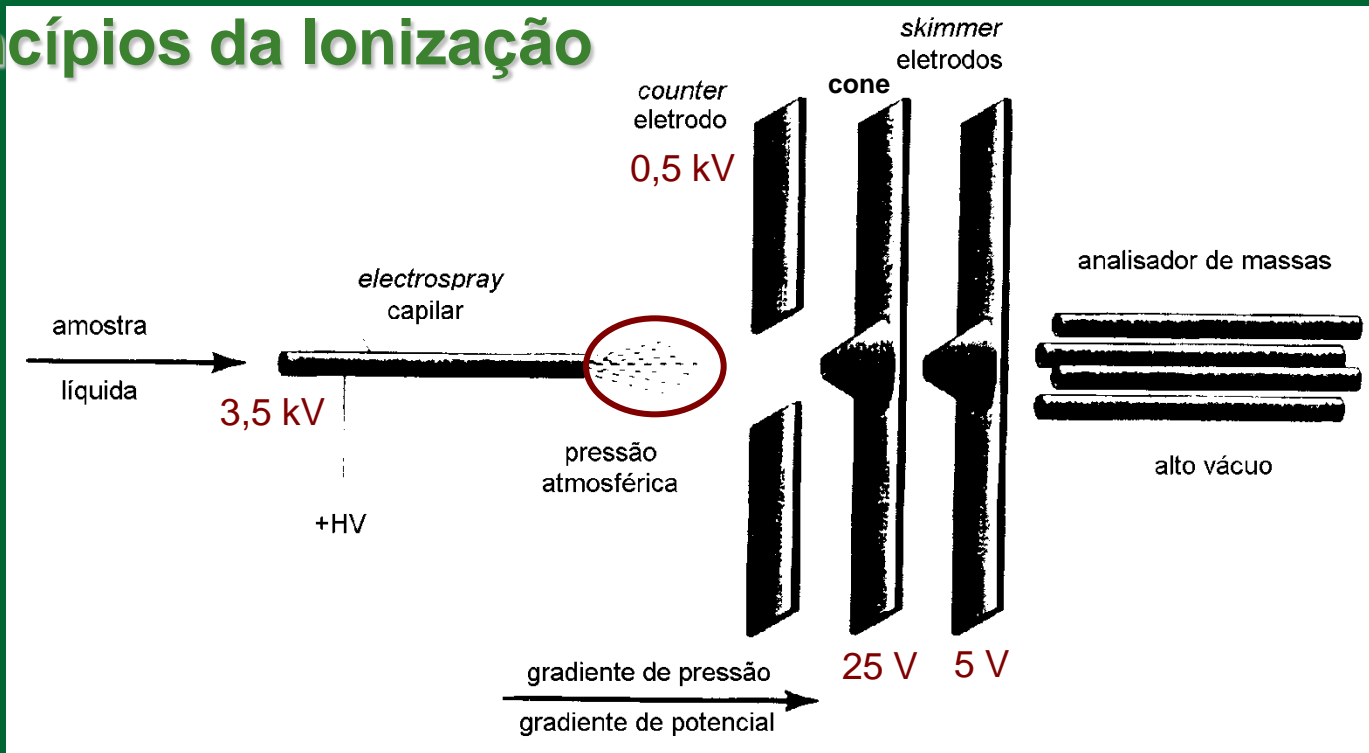
# Electrospray

## Esquema Geral



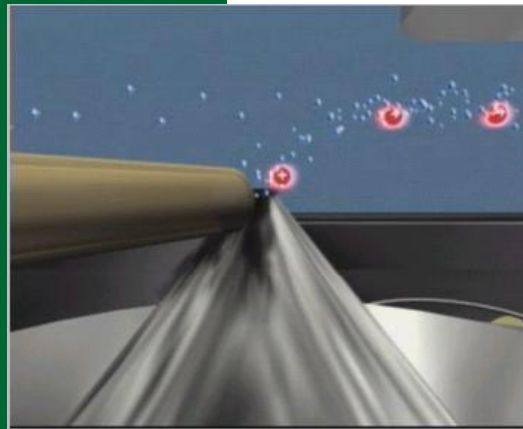
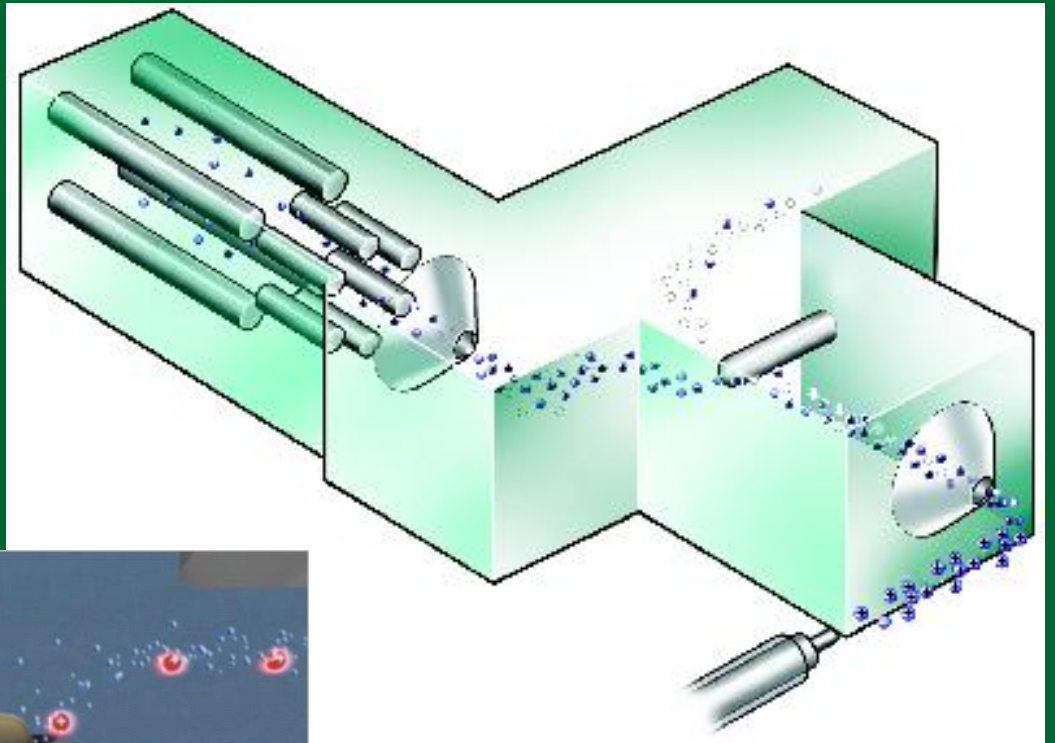
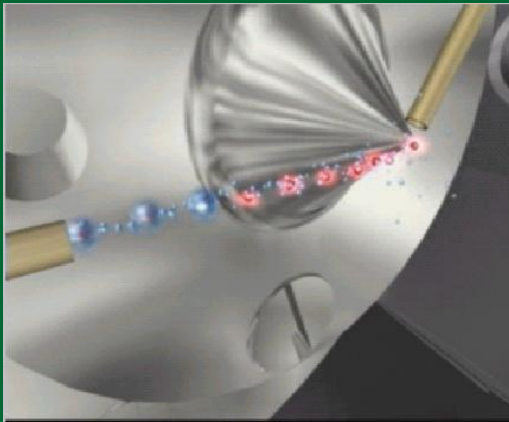
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## Princípios da Ionização

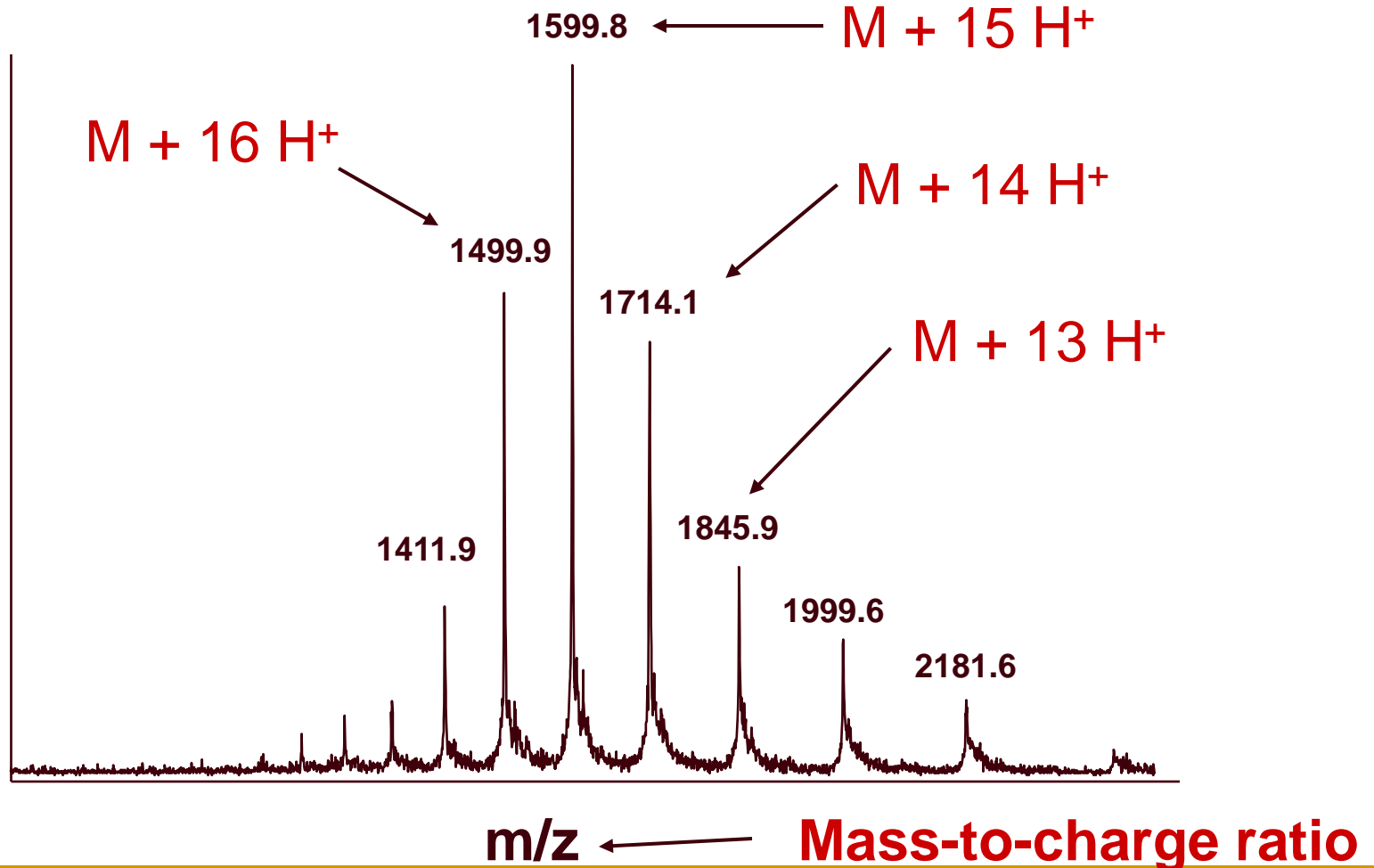


# Electrospray

## Fluxo dos Íons



# ESI Spectrum of Trypsinogen (MW 23983)



# ESI

(low femtomole to zeptomole)

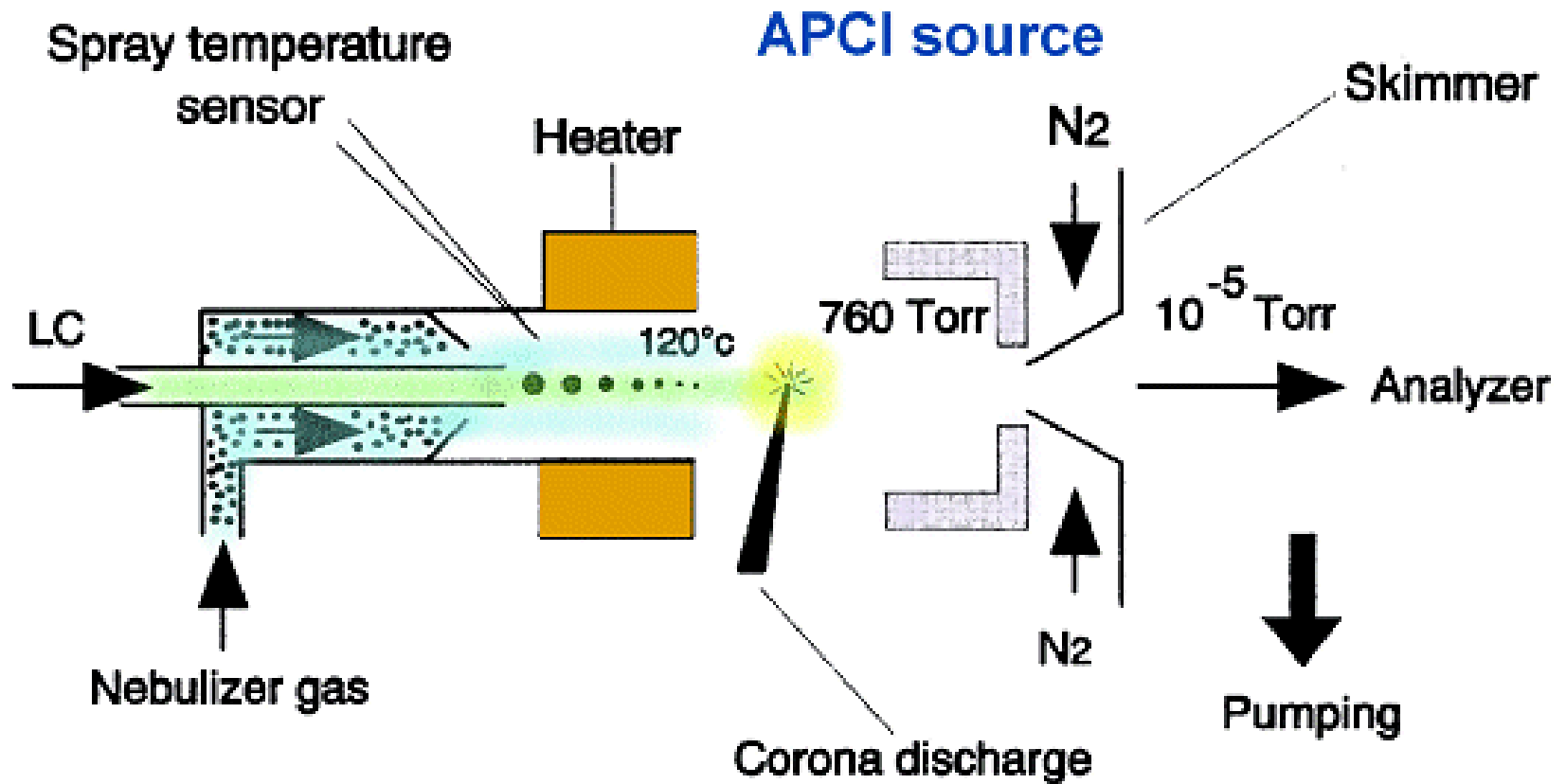
## Advantages

- Parent Ion
- High Mass Compounds (>100,000 amu)
- Thermally Labile Compounds (<0° C)
- Easy to Operate
- Interface to HPLC
- Zeptomole sensitivity with nanospray

## Disadvantages

- No Fragmentation
- Need Polar Sample
- Need Solubility in Polar Solvent (MeOH, ACN, H<sub>2</sub>O, Acetone are best)
- Sensitive to Salts
- Suppression

# APCI



# APCI

(high femtomole)

## Advantages

- Parent Ion
- Insensitive to Salts
- Interface to HPLC
- Can use Normal Phase Solvents
- Handles High Flow Rates

## Disadvantages

- Need Volatile Sample
- Need Thermal Stability



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# Mass Analyzers

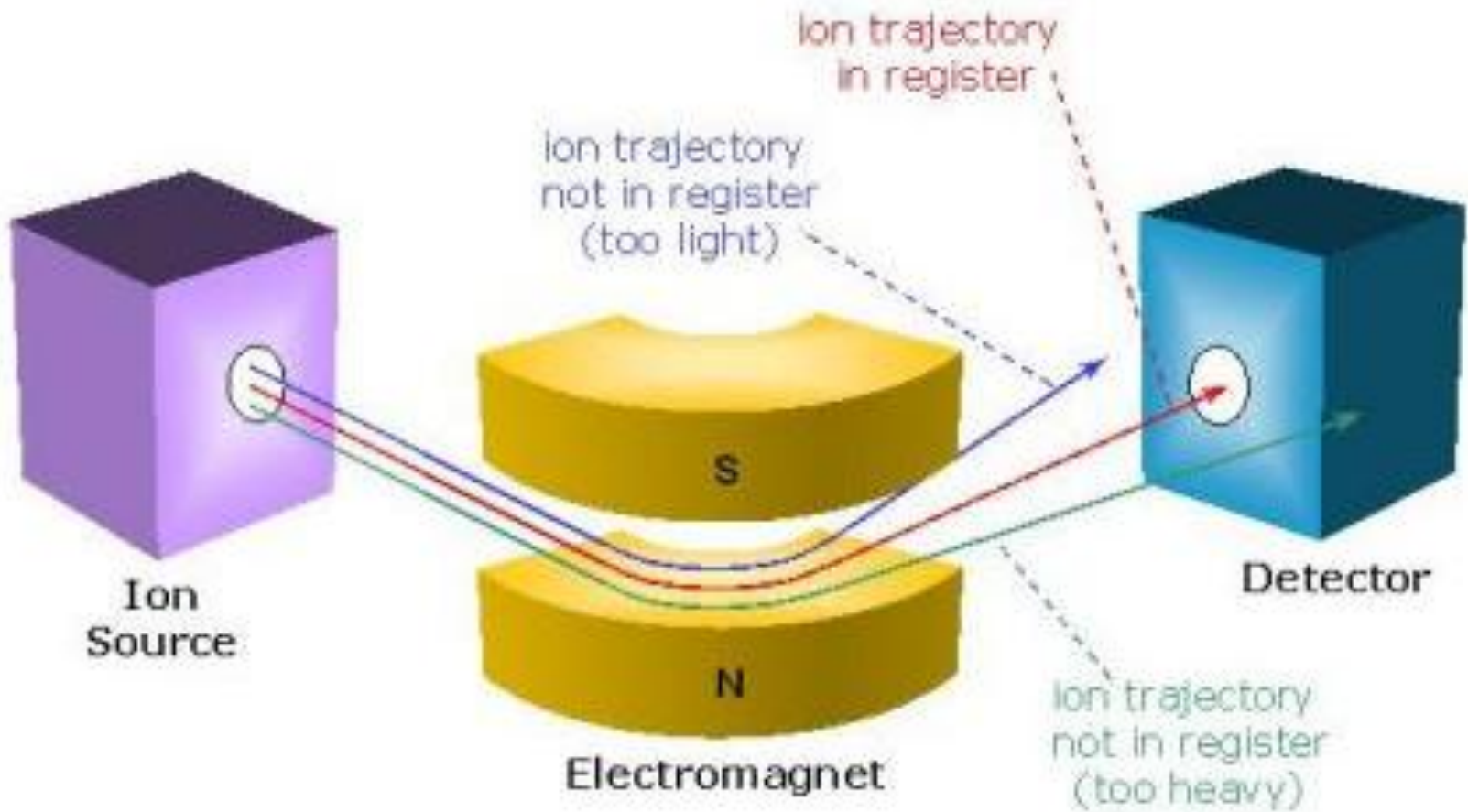
- Double Focusing Magnetic Sector
- Quadrupole Mass Filter
- Quadrupole Ion Trap
- Linear Time-of-Flight (TOF)
- Reflectron TOF
- Fourier Transform Ion Cyclotron Resonance (FT-ICR-MS)

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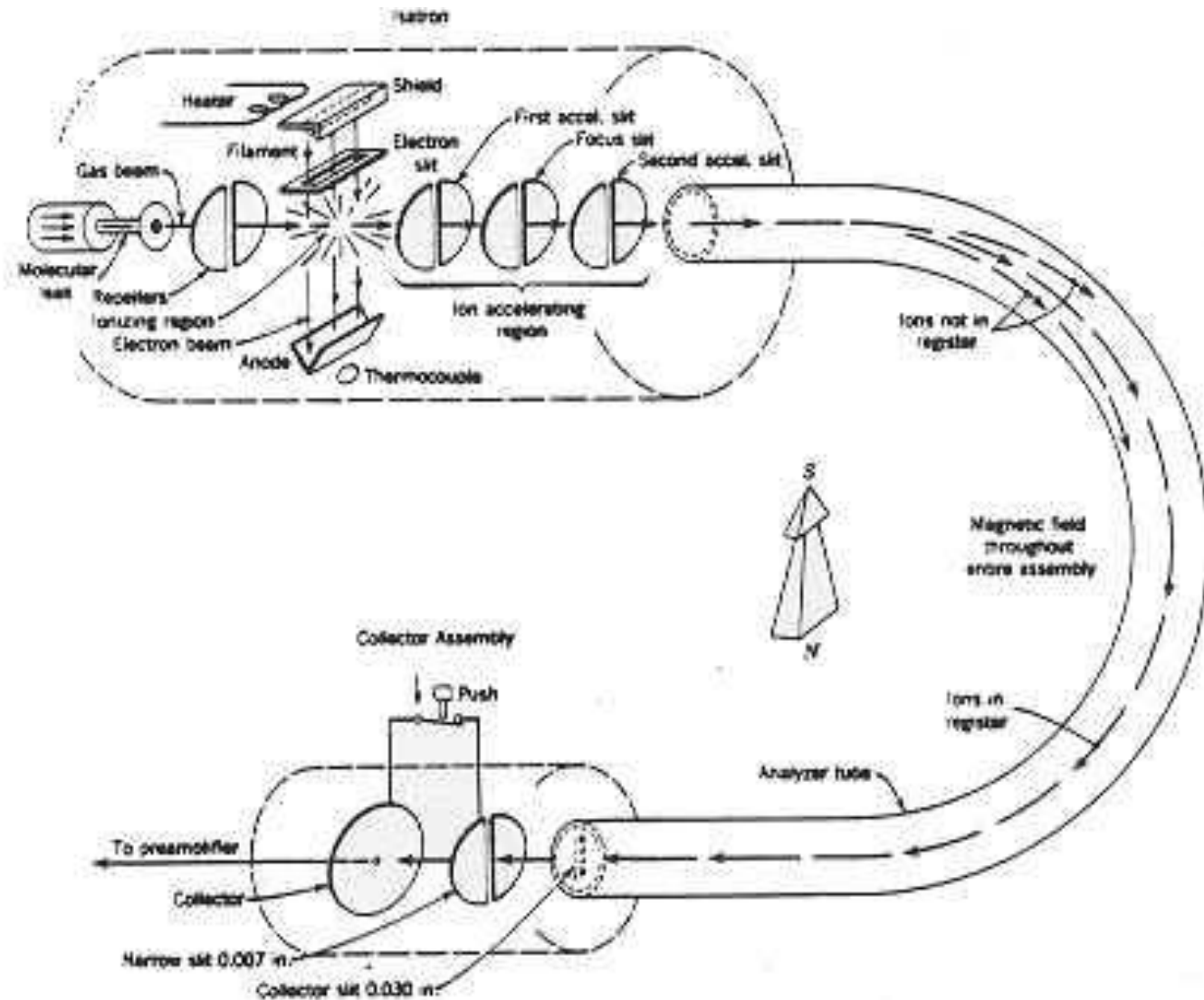
# Different Types of Mass Analyzers

- Magnetic Sector Analyzer (MSA)
  - High resolution, exact mass, original MA
- Quadrupole Analyzer (Q or Q\*)
  - Low (1 amu) resolution, fast, cheap
- Time-of-Flight Analyzer (TOF)
  - No upper m/z limit, high throughput
- Ion Cyclotron Resonance (FT-ICR)
  - Highest resolution, exact mass, costly

# Magnetic Sector Analyzer



# Magnetic Sector Analyzer



# The Mass Spec Equation

$$\frac{m}{z} = \frac{B^2 r^2}{2V}$$

**M** = mass of ion

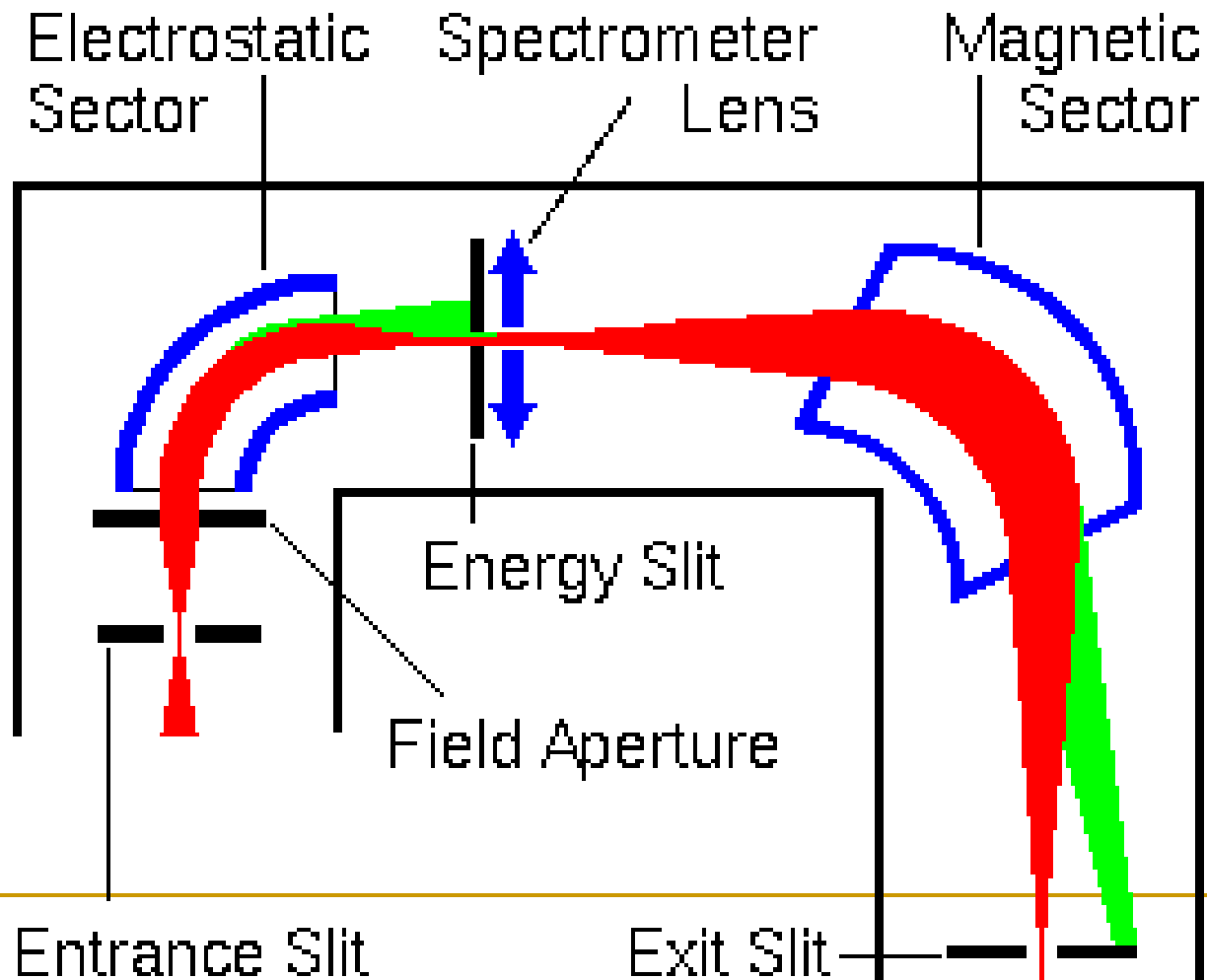
**z** = charge of ion

**V** = voltage

**B** = magnetic field

**r** = radius of circle

# Double-Focusing Magnetic Sector



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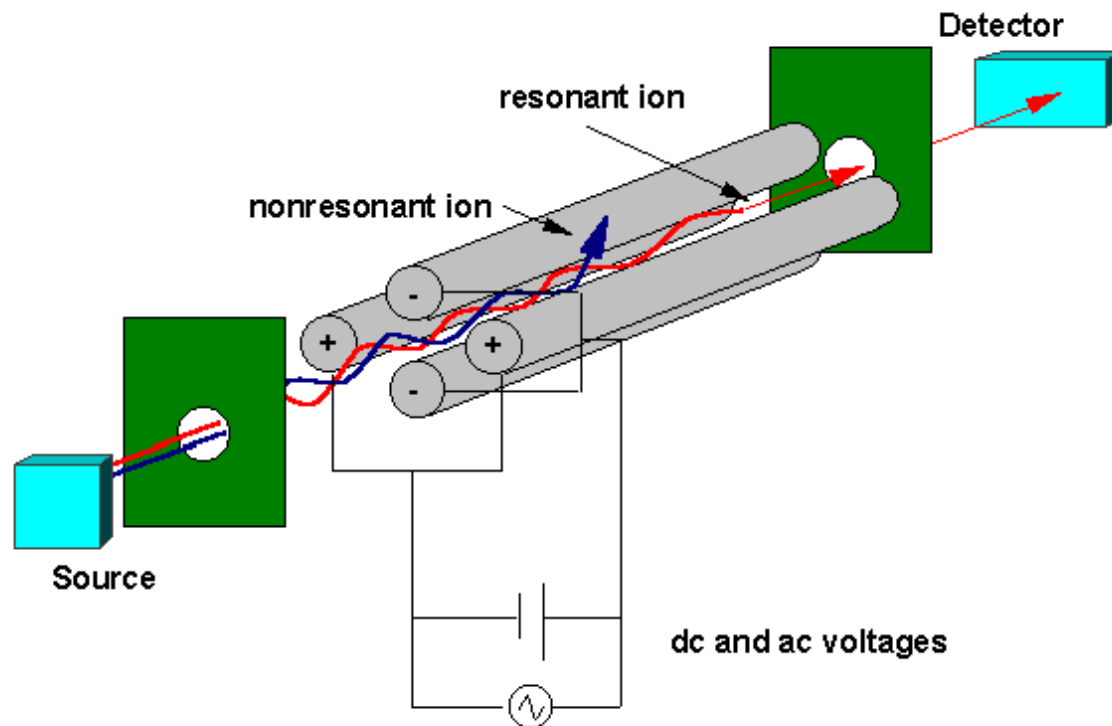
## Advantages

- Very High Resolution (60,000)
- High Accuracy (<5 ppm)
- 10,000 Mass Range

## Disadvantages

- Very Expensive
- Requires Skilled Operator
- Difficult to Interface to ESI
- Low resolution MS/MS without multiple analyzers

# Quadrupole Mass Analyzer





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# Quadrupole Mass Filter

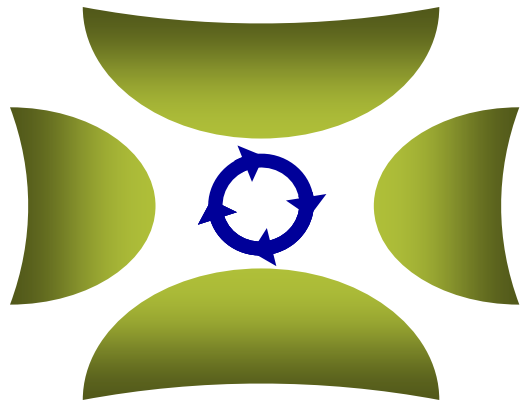
## Advantages

- Inexpensive
- Easily Interfaced to Many Ionization Methods

## Disadvantages

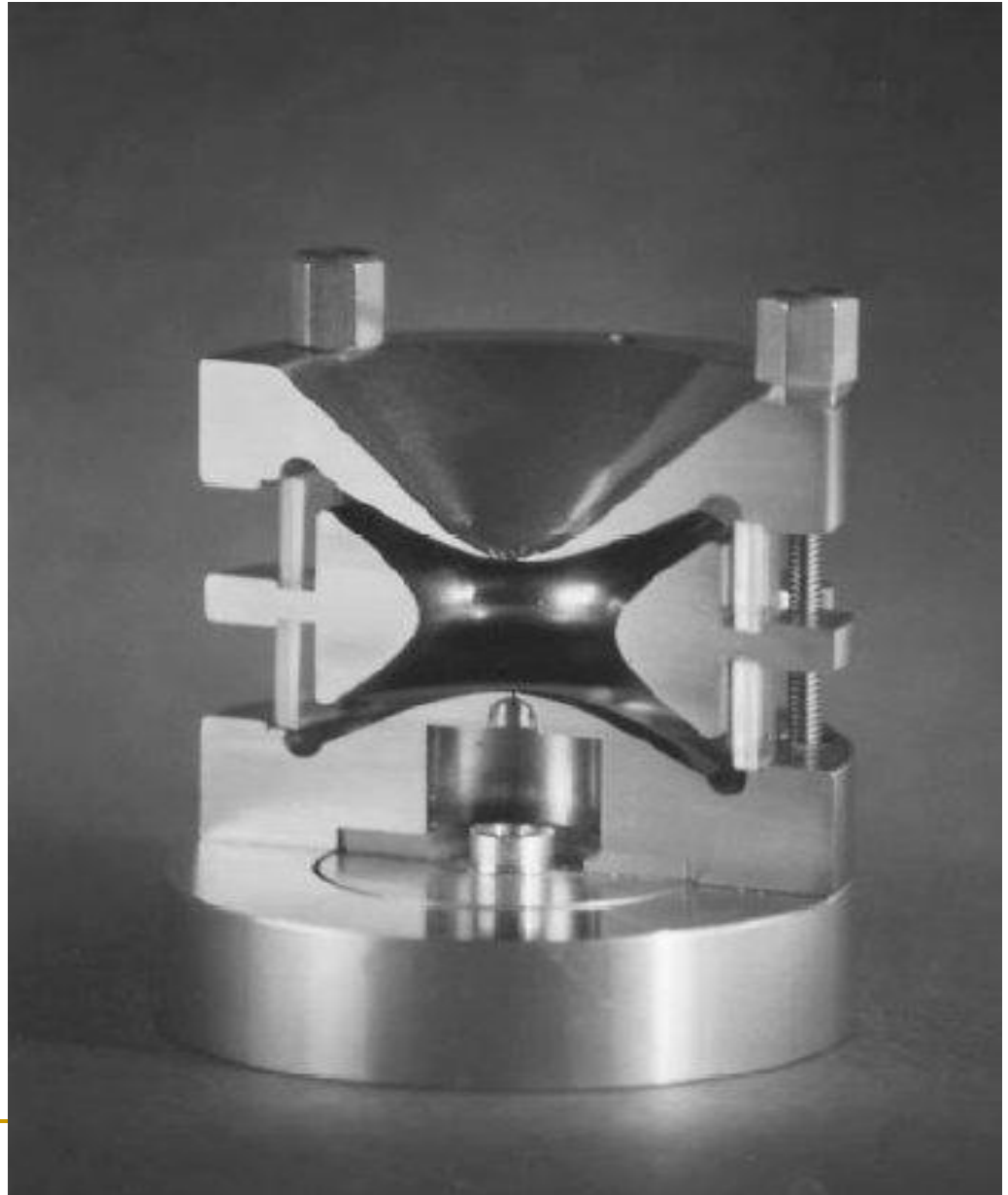
- Low Resolution (<4000)
- Low Accuracy (>100ppm)
- MS/MS requires multiple analyzers
- Low Mass Range (<4000)
- Slow Scanning

# Ion Trap Mass Analyzer



**Top View**

**Cut away side view**



# Quadrupole Ion Trap

## Advantages

- Inexpensive
- Easily Interfaced to Many Ionization Methods
- MS/MS in one analyzer

## Disadvantages

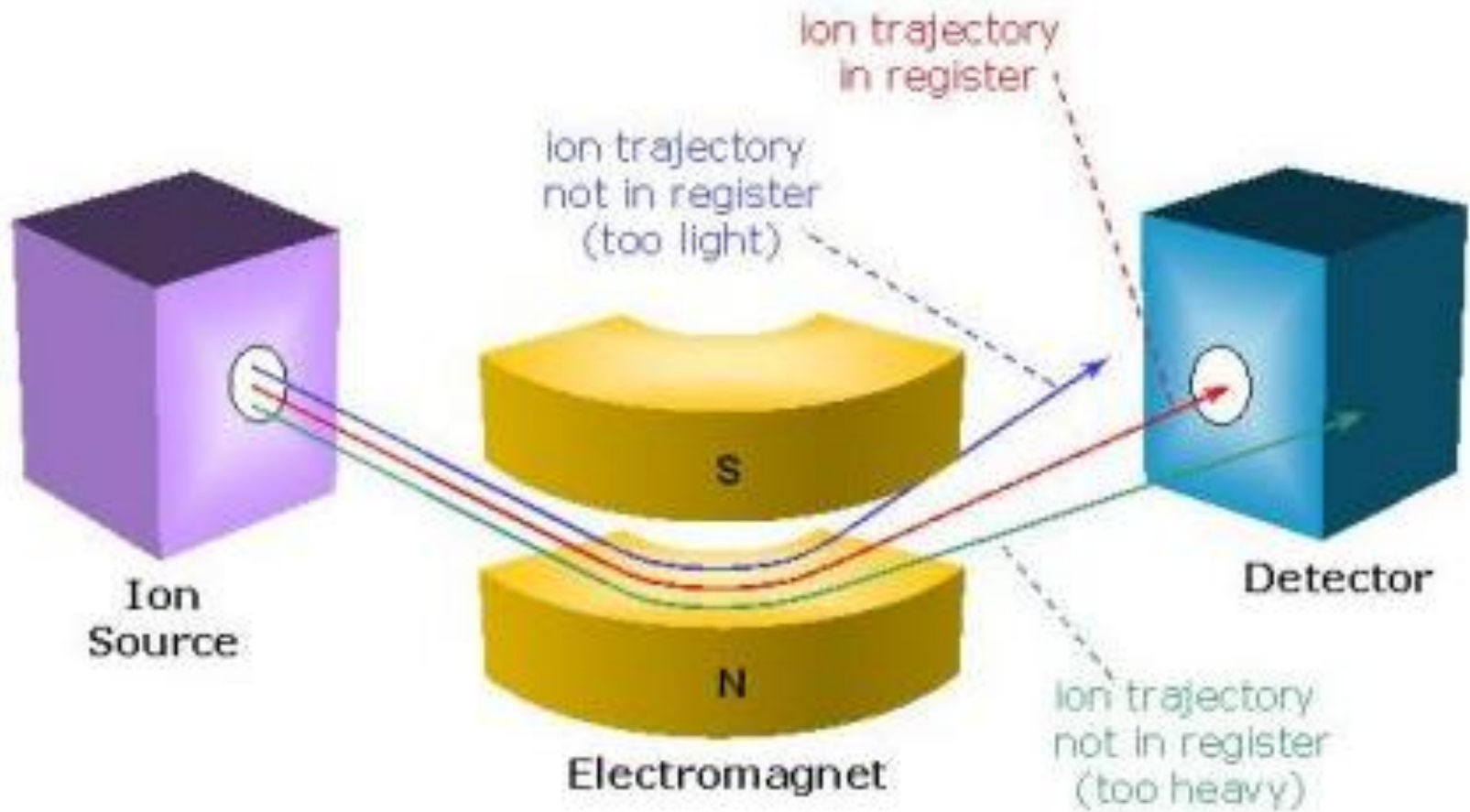
- Low Resolution (<4000)
- Low Accuracy (>100ppm)
- Space Charging Causes Mass Shifts
- Low Mass Range (<4000)
- Slow Scanning

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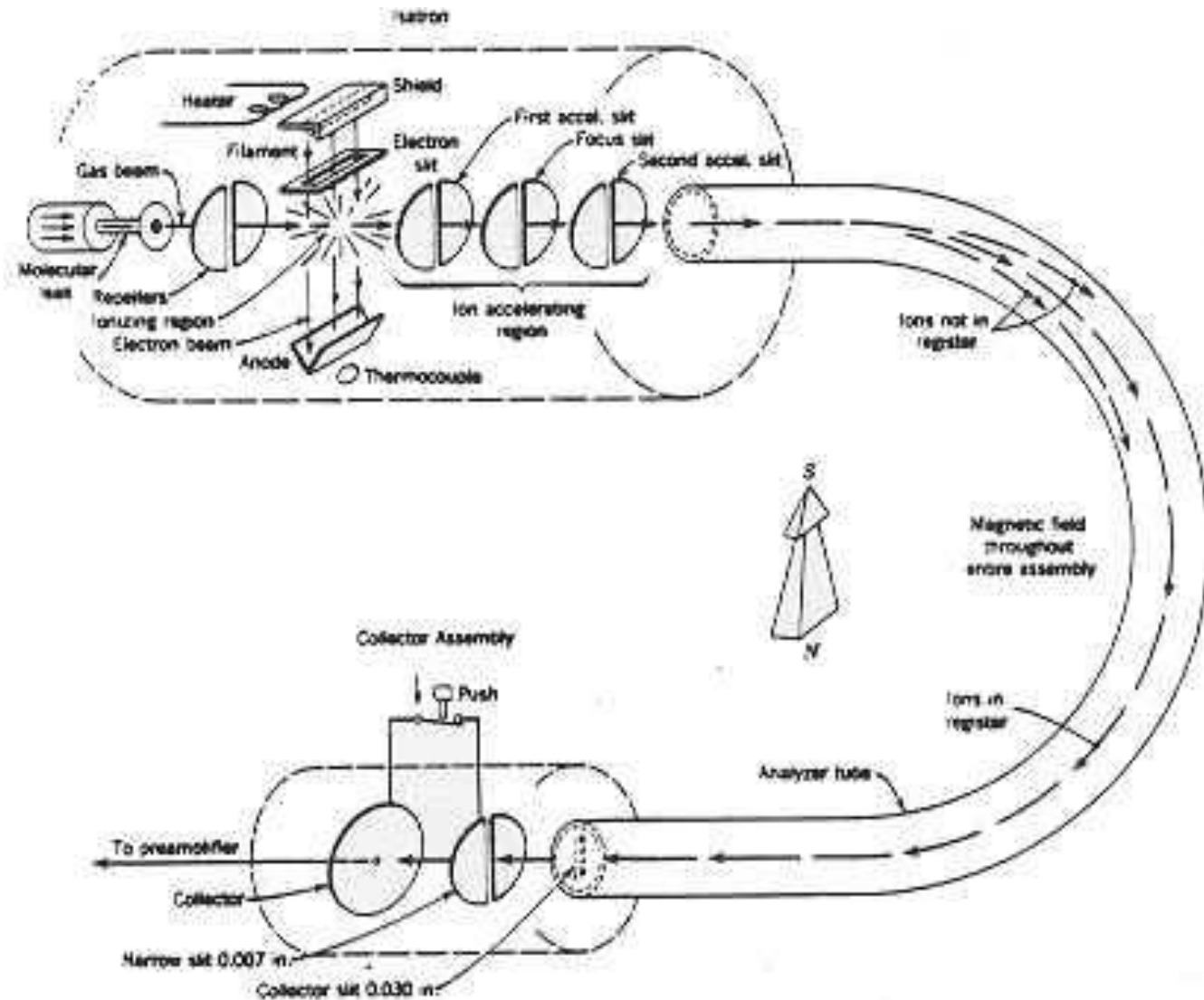
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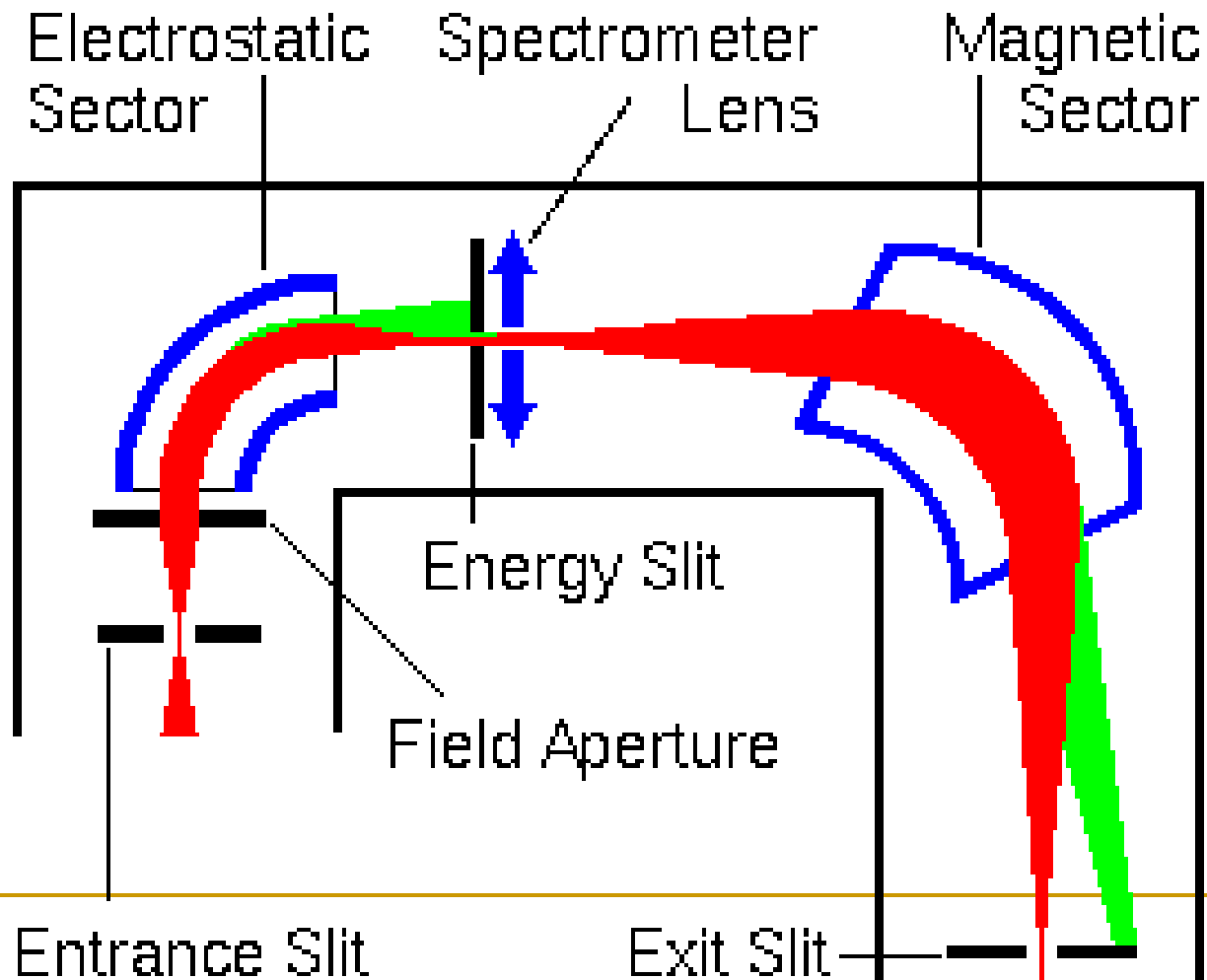
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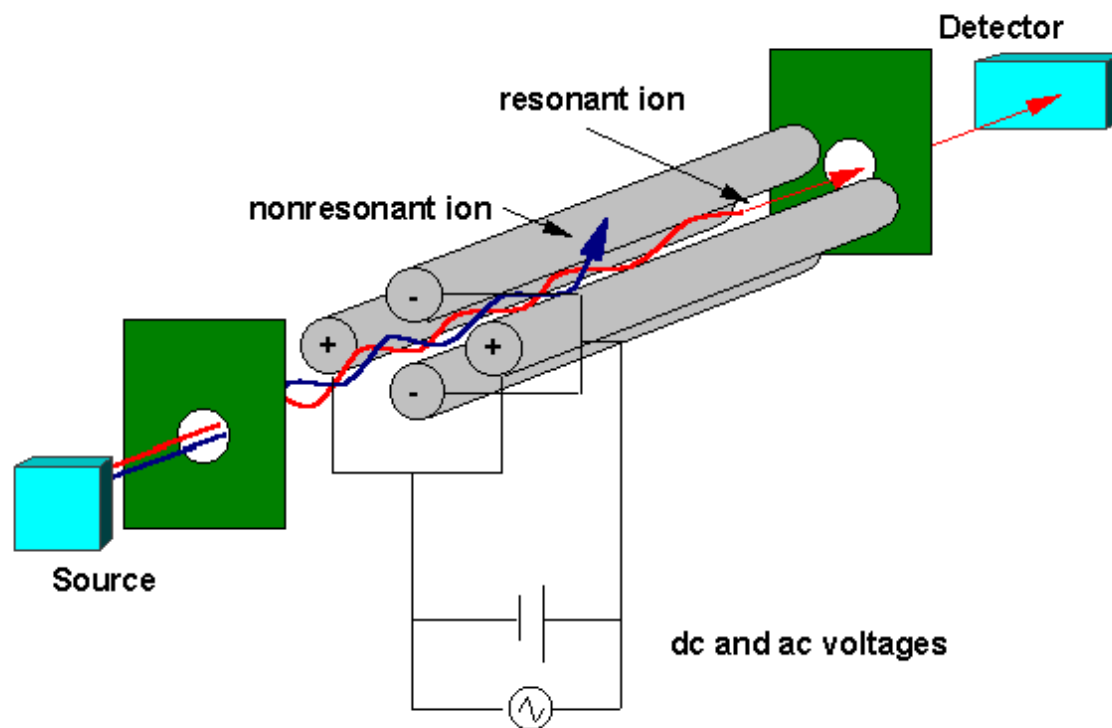
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# Quadrupole Mass Filter

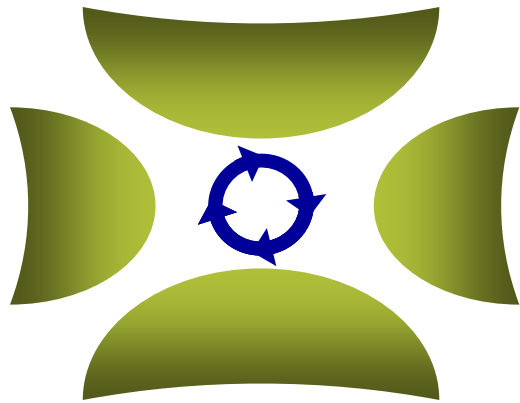
## Advantages

- Inexpensive
- Easily Interfaced to Many Ionization Methods

## Disadvantages

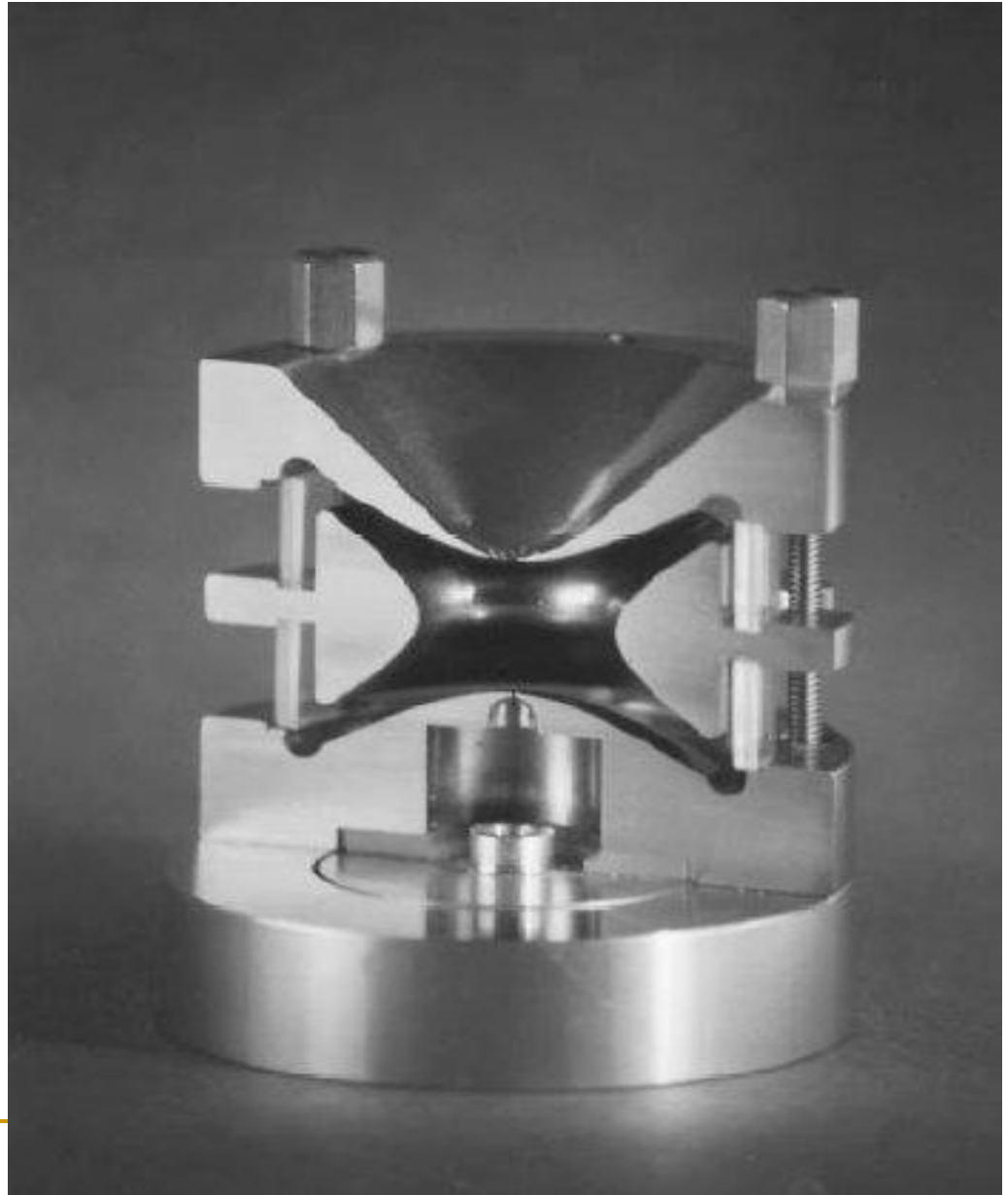
- Low Resolution (<4000)
- Low Accuracy (>100ppm)
- MS/MS requires multiple analyzers
- Low Mass Range (<4000)
- Slow Scanning

# Ion Trap Mass Analyzer



**Top View**

**Cut away side view**



# Quadrupole Ion Trap

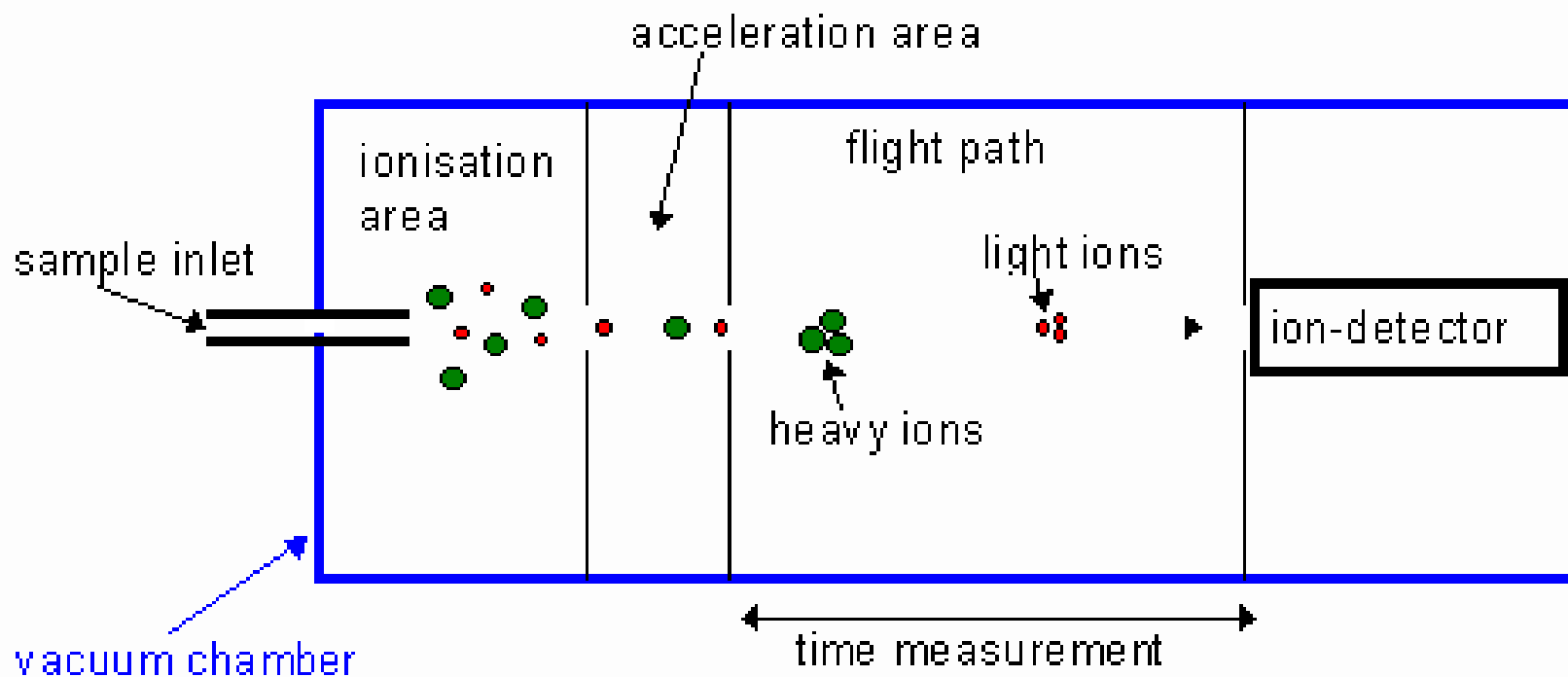
## Advantages

- Inexpensive
- Easily Interfaced to Many Ionization Methods
- MS/MS in one analyzer

## Disadvantages

- Low Resolution (<4000)
- Low Accuracy (>100ppm)
- Space Charging Causes Mass Shifts
- Low Mass Range (<4000)
- Slow Scanning

# Linear Time-of-Flight (TOF)



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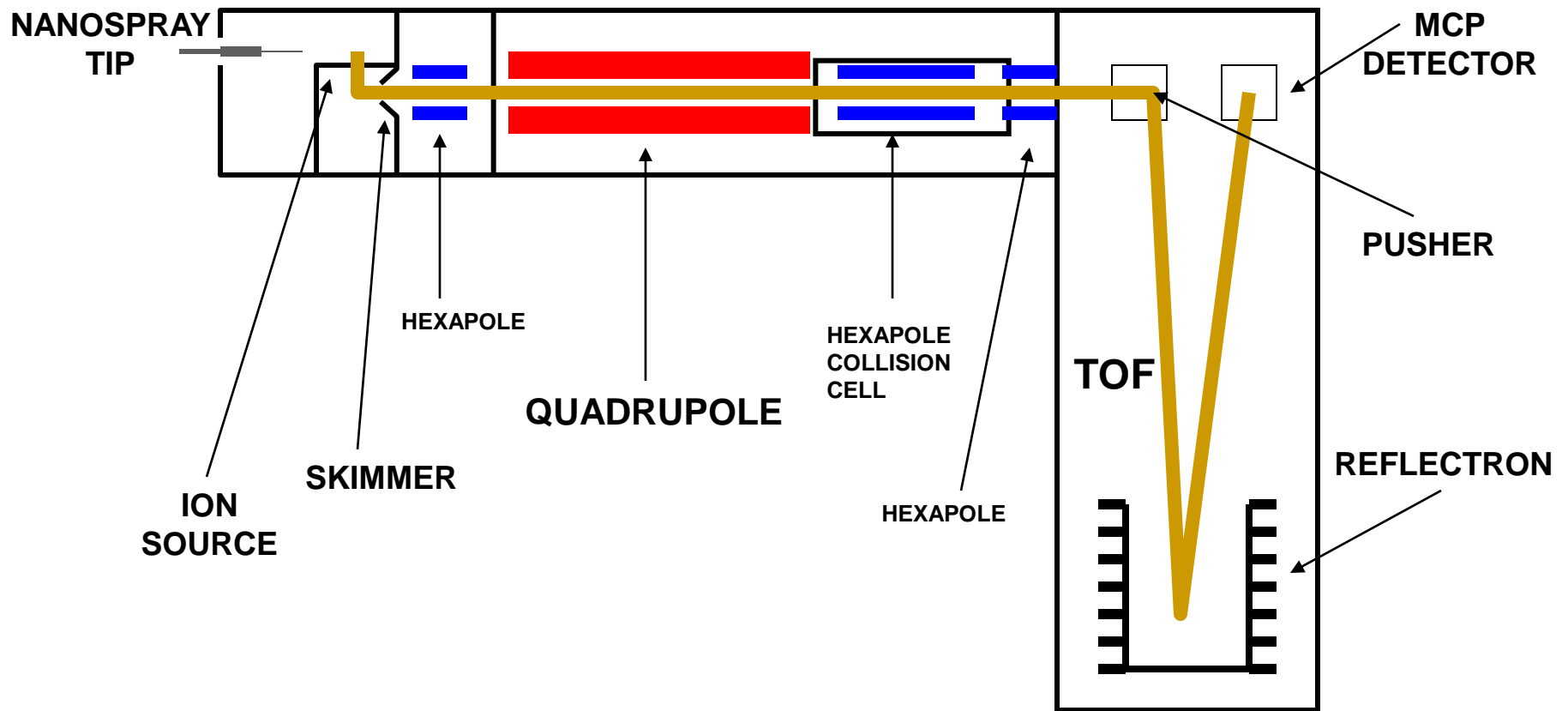
## Advantages

- Extremely High Mass Range (>1 MDa)
- Fast Scanning

## Disadvantages

- Low Resolution (4000)
- Low Accuracy (>200ppm)
- MS/MS not possible

# Q-TOF Mass Analyzer





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# Reflectron Time-of-Flight (TOF)

## Advantages

- High Resolution (>20,000 in some models)
- High Accuracy (<5ppm)
- 10,000 Mass Range
- Fast Scanning

## Disadvantages

- Low Resolution for MS/MS (PSD)

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# Important Performance Factors in Mass Spectrometry

## **Mass accuracy:**

**How accurate is the weight measurement?**

$$(M_{\text{ave}} - M) / M_{\text{ave}}, \text{ (ppm (1/10}^6\text{), \%)}$$

$$1 \text{ ppm} = 10^{-4}\%$$

***Resolution:*** How well separated are the peaks from each other?  $M/\Delta M$

***Sensitivity:*** How small an amount can be analyzed?

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# Mass Resolution

- **low** resolution: unit resolution in the mass range of interest, i.e., a resolution of 100-1000.
  - **Unit resolution** means that two adjacent peaks in a mass spectrum are resolved sufficiently (with a **10-20% valley**).

Unit resolution  
 $(M+1)-M=1$   
 $M/1=M$

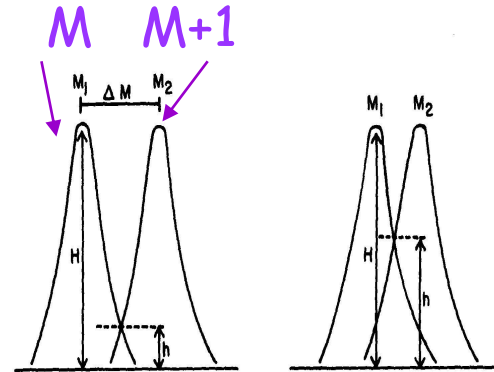
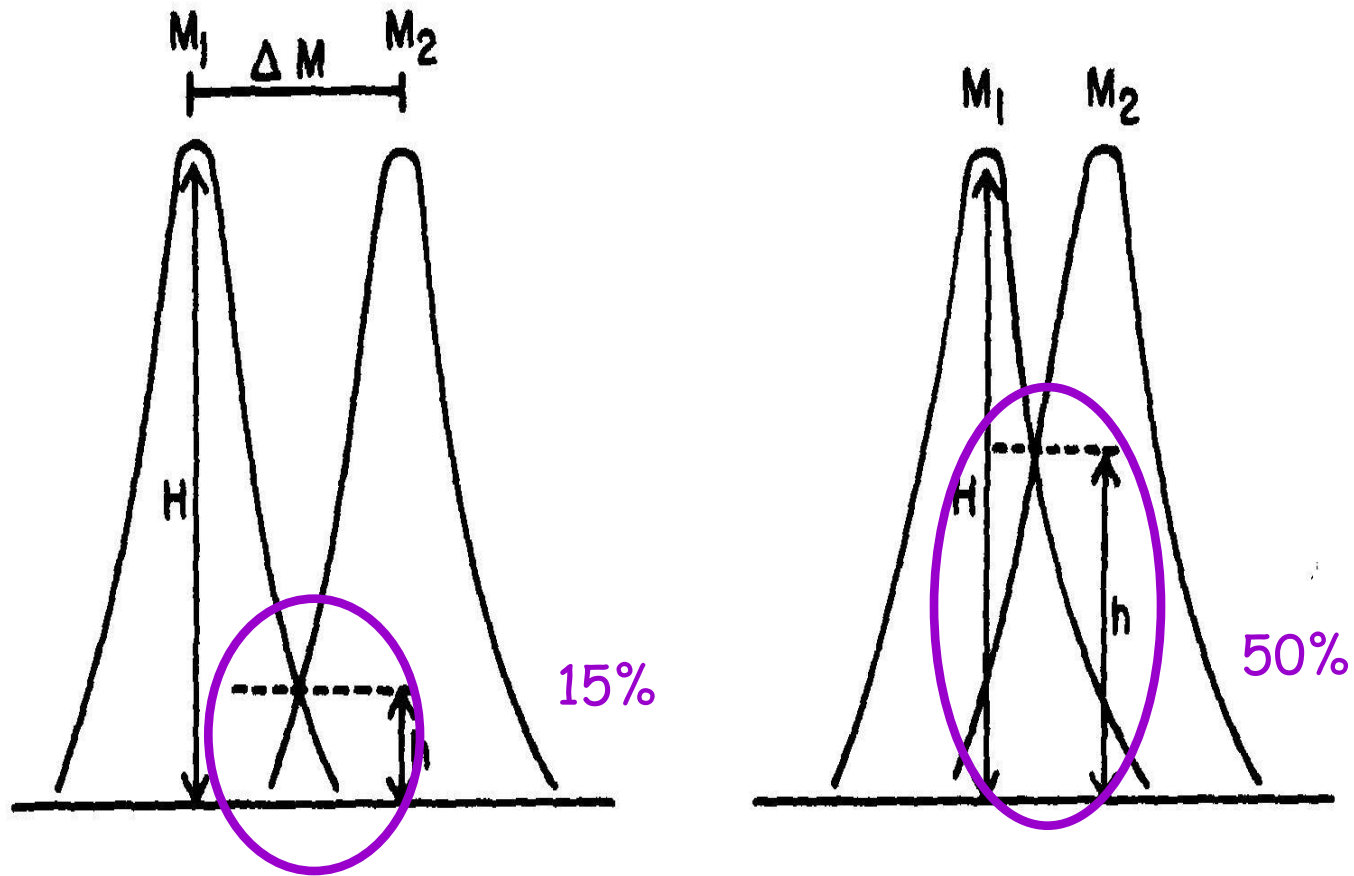


FIG. 1.4. Graphic representation of unit resolution with 15% valley ( $h/H$ ) definition (left) and 50% valley definition (right).

- **Medium** resolution: 2000-10,000
- **High** resolution: 10,000 or greater

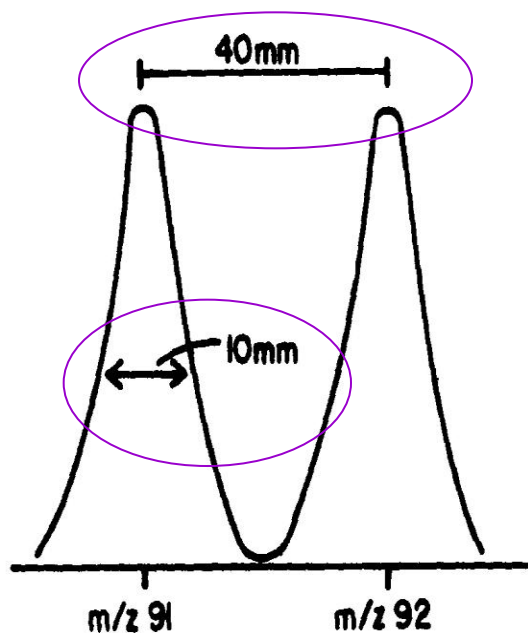


**FIG. 1.4.** Graphic representation of unit resolution with 15% valley ( $h/H$ ) definition (left) and 50% valley definition (right).

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- Numerical expression of resolution can be obtained from the ratio of  $m/\Delta m$ 
    - $m$  and  $\Delta m$  are the  $m/z$  values of two adjacent peaks in the mass spectrum
      - Low resolution:  $\Delta m=1u$
      - High resolution:  $\Delta m=0.01u$ 
        - In either case, the numerical value of resolution must be qualified by some indication of the separation of the two peaks.
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- Resolution can be evaluated by a peak width definition, **FWHM**
    - $m$  : is the given  $m/z$  value of a given peak
    - $\Delta m$  : the width of the peak measured at a designated peak-height level.
    - **FWHM**: the peak at half height, also called full width at half maximum
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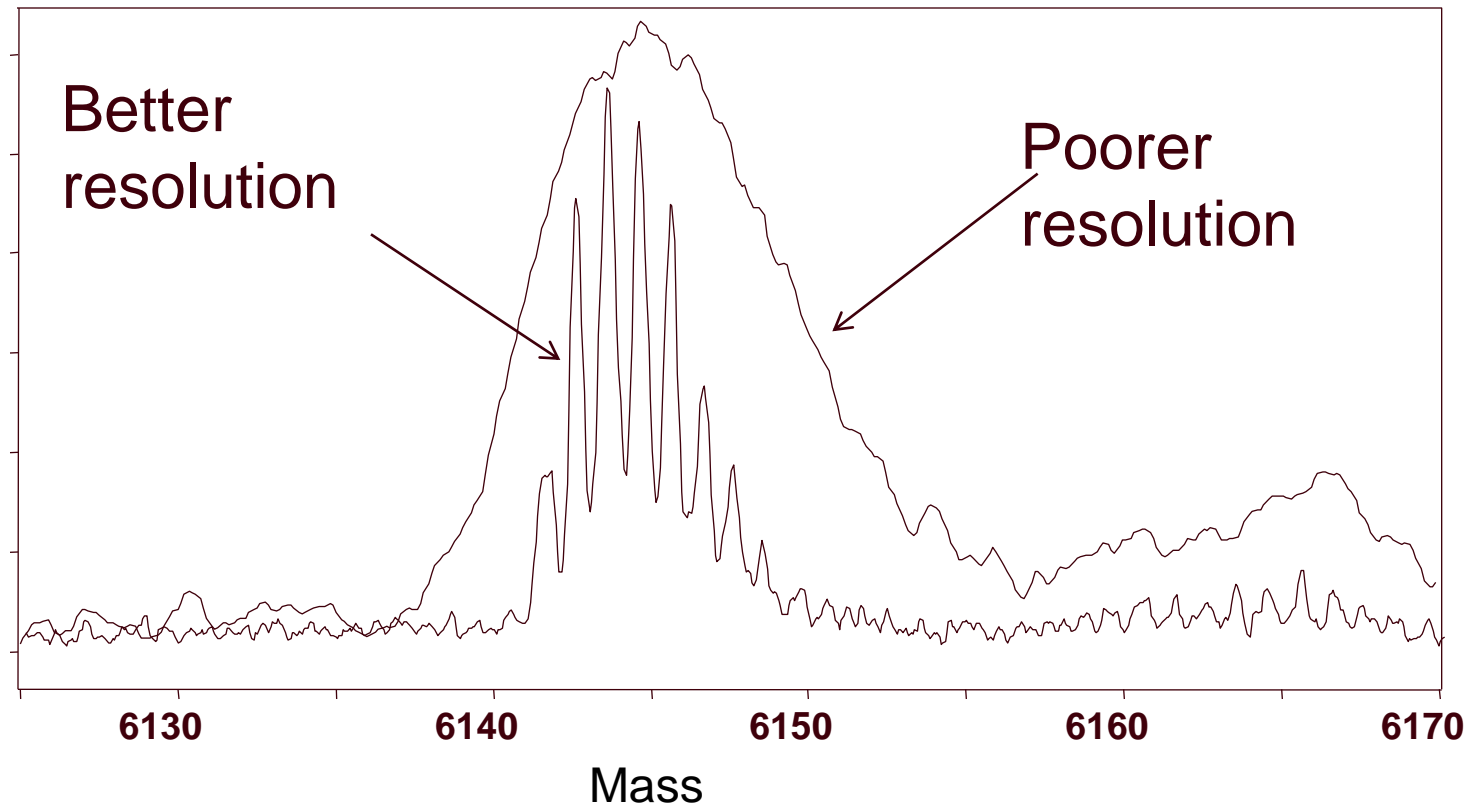
The resolution is  $91/0.25 = 364$  at  $m/z$  91, where  $m = 91$  and  $\Delta m = 10/40 = 0.25$  u



**FIG. 1.5.** Graphic representation of resolution using peak-width definition: full width at half maximum (FWHM). In this case, the separation of the peak centers is equivalent to four peak widths at half maximum (height).

# What if the resolution is not so good?

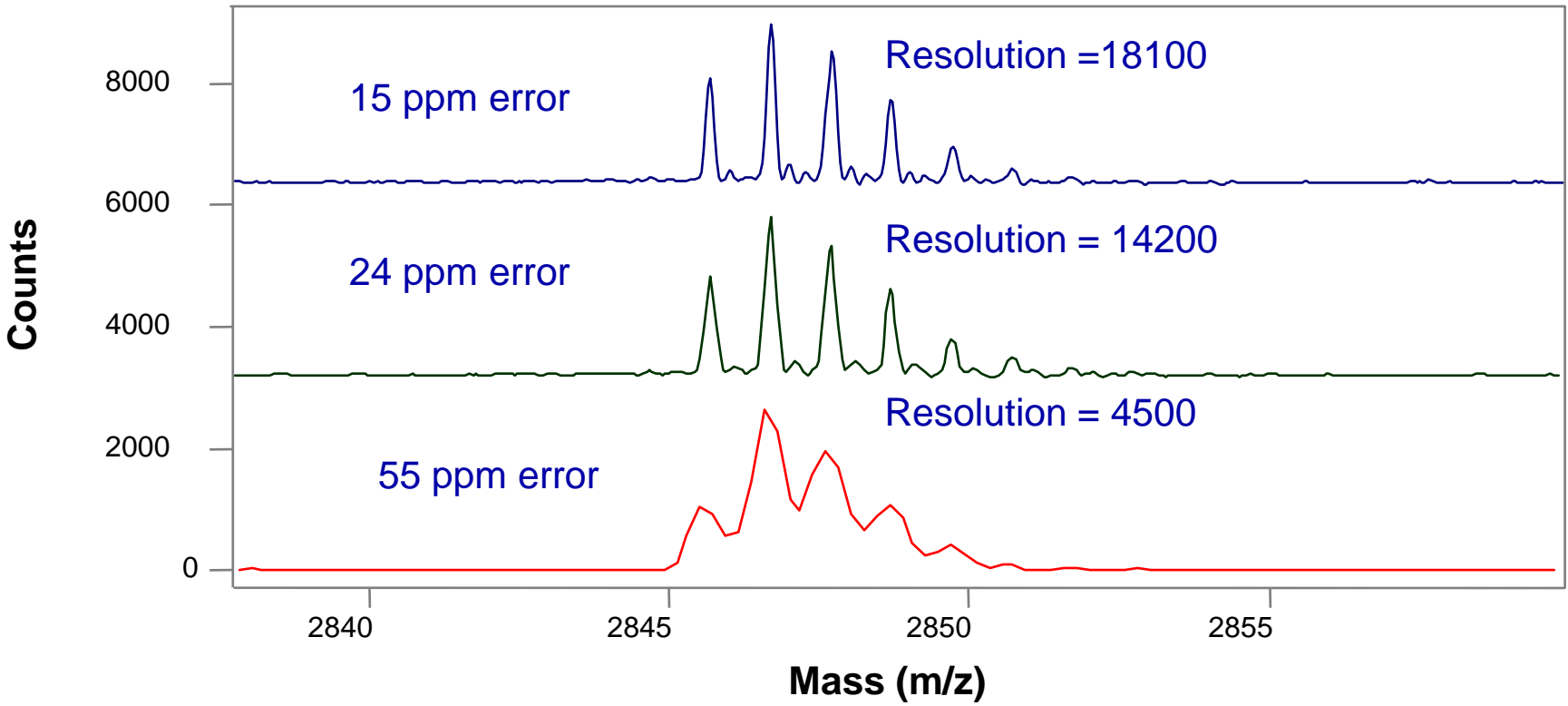
At lower resolution, the mass measured is the average mass.





# Mass measurement accuracy depends on resolution

High resolution means better mass accuracy



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# How is mass defined?

Assigning numerical value to the intrinsic property of “mass” is based on using carbon-12,  $^{12}\text{C}$ , as a reference point.

One unit of mass is defined as a Dalton (Da).

One Dalton is defined as 1/12 the mass of a single carbon-12 atom.

Thus, one  $^{12}\text{C}$  atom has a mass of 12.0000 Da.

## Mass-to-Charge Ratio (m/z)

- **m**: the mass number (m) of a given particle to the number (z) of electrostatic charge unit carried by the particle

## Unit

Dalton (Da) is used for the molecular weight natural isotope-averaged molecular mass (or often the *integral mass* number)

Alternatively, the symbol for a mass unit is **u** or **amu**.

The Da is *not* a unit of mass-to-charge ratio.

**m/z ??**

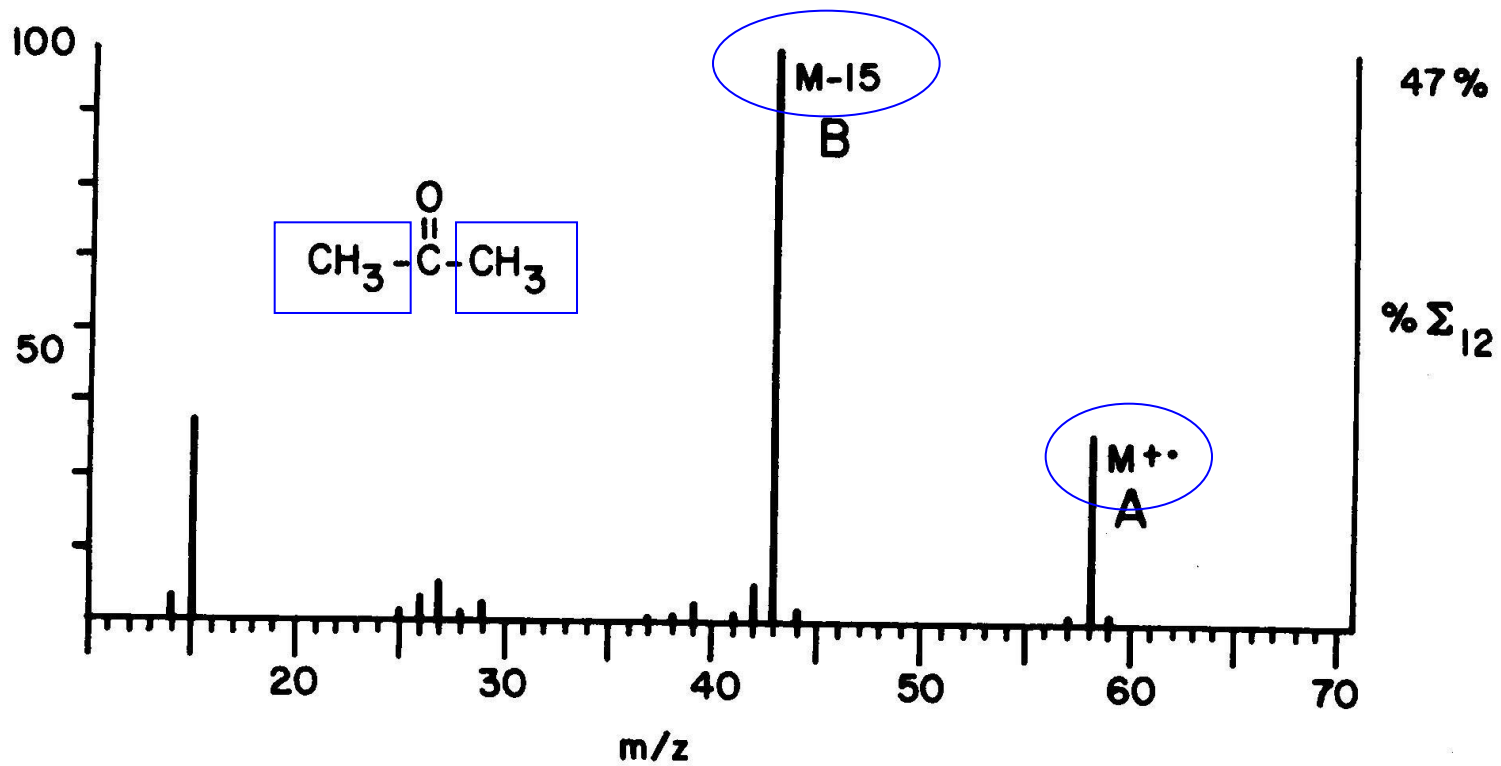


FIG. 1.6. Bar-graph format for the mass spectrum of acetone.

■ m/z :

Thomson (Th), symbolized by *m/z*.

***The use of the abbreviation Da/e is not acceptable.***

- The symbol u corresponds to 1/12 of  $^{12}\text{C}$ , which has been assigned the value 12.000000 by IUPAC convention.

$$1\text{u} = 1\text{ Da} = 1.665402 \times 10^{-27}\text{ kg}$$

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# *Isotopes*

## **+Most elements have more than one stable isotope.**

For example, most carbon atoms have a mass of 12 Da, but in nature, 1.1% of C atoms have an extra neutron, making their mass 13 Da.

## **+Why do we care?**

Mass spectrometers can “see” isotope peaks if their resolution is high enough.

If an MS instrument has resolution high enough to resolve these isotopes, better mass accuracy is achieved.

# The Mass Spectrum

## Origin of Relative Ion Abundances

M contributors		M+1 contributors		M+2 contributors	
Isotope	Natural Abundance	Isotope	Natural Abundance	Isotope	Natural Abundance
$^1\text{H}$	99.9855%	$^2\text{H}$	0.015%	$^3\text{H}$	ppm
$^{12}\text{C}$	98.893	$^{13}\text{C}$	1.107	$^{14}\text{C}$	ppm
$^{14}\text{N}$	99.634	$^{15}\text{N}$	0.366		
$^{16}\text{O}$	99.759	$^{17}\text{O}$	0.037	$^{18}\text{O}$	0.204
$^{19}\text{F}$	100.0				
$^{32}\text{S}$	95.0	$^{33}\text{S}$	0.76	$^{34}\text{S}$	4.22
$^{35}\text{Cl}$	75.77			$^{37}\text{Cl}$	24.23
$^{79}\text{Br}$	50.69			$^{81}\text{Br}$	49.31
$^{127}\text{I}$	100.0				



# The Mass Spectrum

## Relative Intensity of Molecular Ion Peaks

Imagine a sample containing 10,000 methane molecules...

<u>Molecule</u>	<u># in sample</u>	<u>m/z</u>	<u>Relative abundance</u>
$^{12}\text{C}^1\text{H}_4$	9889	$12 + (4 \times 1) = 16$	100%
$^{13}\text{C}^1\text{H}_4$	110	$13 + (4 \times 1) = 17$	$(110/9889) \times 100\% = 1.1\%*$
$^{14}\text{C}^1\text{H}_4$	~1	$14 + (4 \times 1) = 18$	$(1/9889) \times 100\% = < 0.1%*$

\*Contributions from ions with  $^2\text{H}$  are ignored because of its very small natural abundance

CH<sub>4</sub> mass spectrum

m/z = 16 (M; 100%), m/z = 17 (M+1; 1.1%), m/z = 18 (M+2; < 0.1%)

# Formula from Mass Spectrum

## M+1 Contributors

Comparing many mass spectra reveals M+1 intensity  $\uparrow$   $\sim 1.1\%$  per C in formula

• Examples:  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  M = 100%; M+1 =  $\sim 2.2\%$

$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  M = 100%; M+1 =  $\sim 6.6\%$

Working backwards gives a useful observation...

When relative contribution of M = 100% then relative abundance of M+1/1.1% gives the approximate number of carbon atoms in the molecular formula

## Other M+1 contributors

•  $^{15}\text{N}$  (0.37%) and  $^{33}\text{S}$  (0.76%) should be considered

•  $^2\text{H}$  (0.015%) and  $^{17}\text{O}$  (0.037%) can be ignored

# Formula from Mass Spectrum

## M+2 Contributors

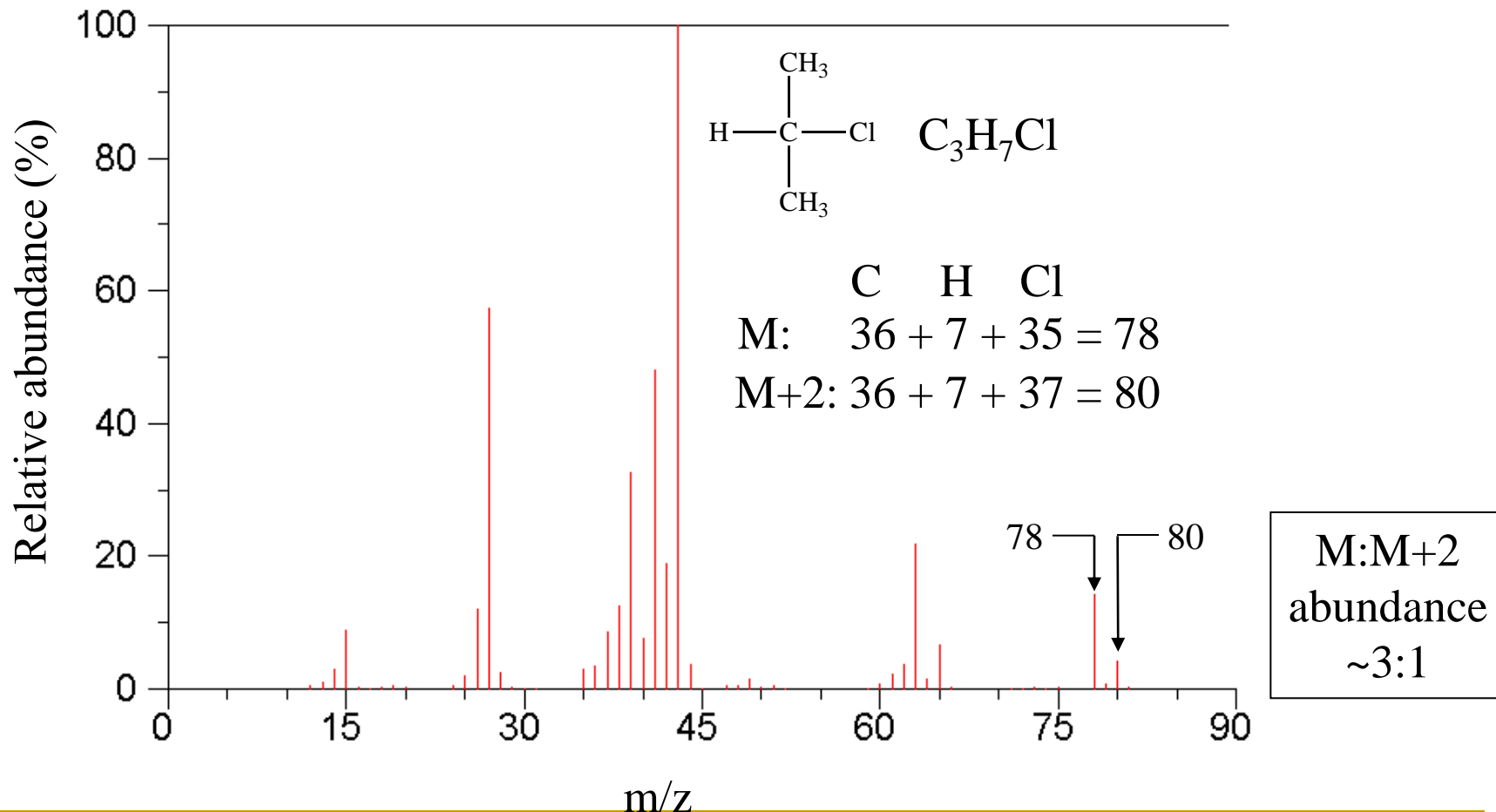
Anything useful from intensity of M+2?

<u>Isotopes</u>	<u>Natural abundances</u>	<u>Intensity M : M+2</u>
$^{32}\text{S} : ^{34}\text{S}$	95.0 : 4.2	100 : 4.4
$^{35}\text{Cl} : ^{37}\text{Cl}$	75.8 : 24.2	100 : 31.9
$^{79}\text{Br} : ^{81}\text{Br}$	50.7 : 49.3	100 : 97.2

Conclusion: *Mass spectra of molecules with S, Cl, or Br have significant M+2 peaks*

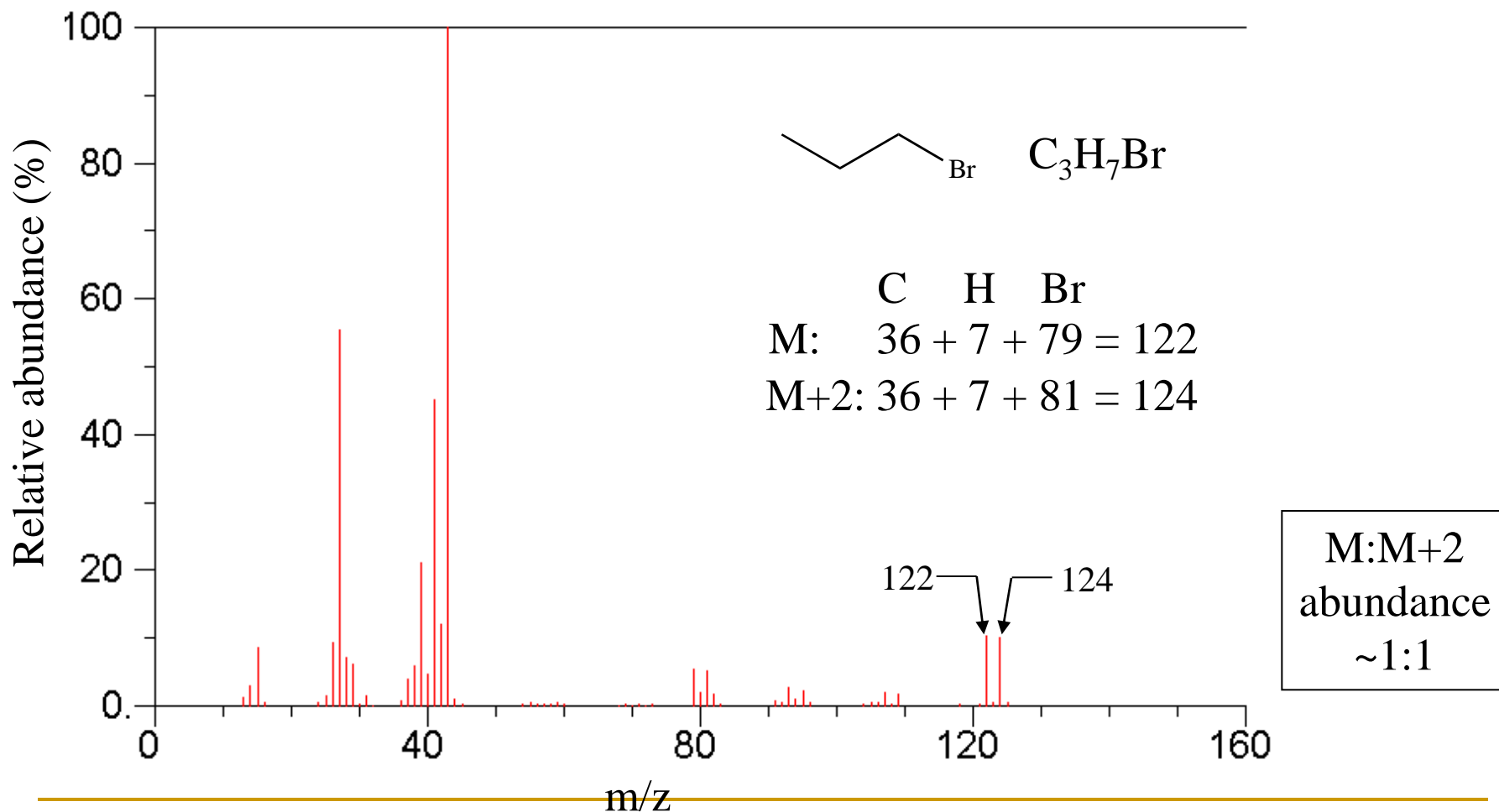
# Formula from Mass Spectrum

## M+2 Contributors

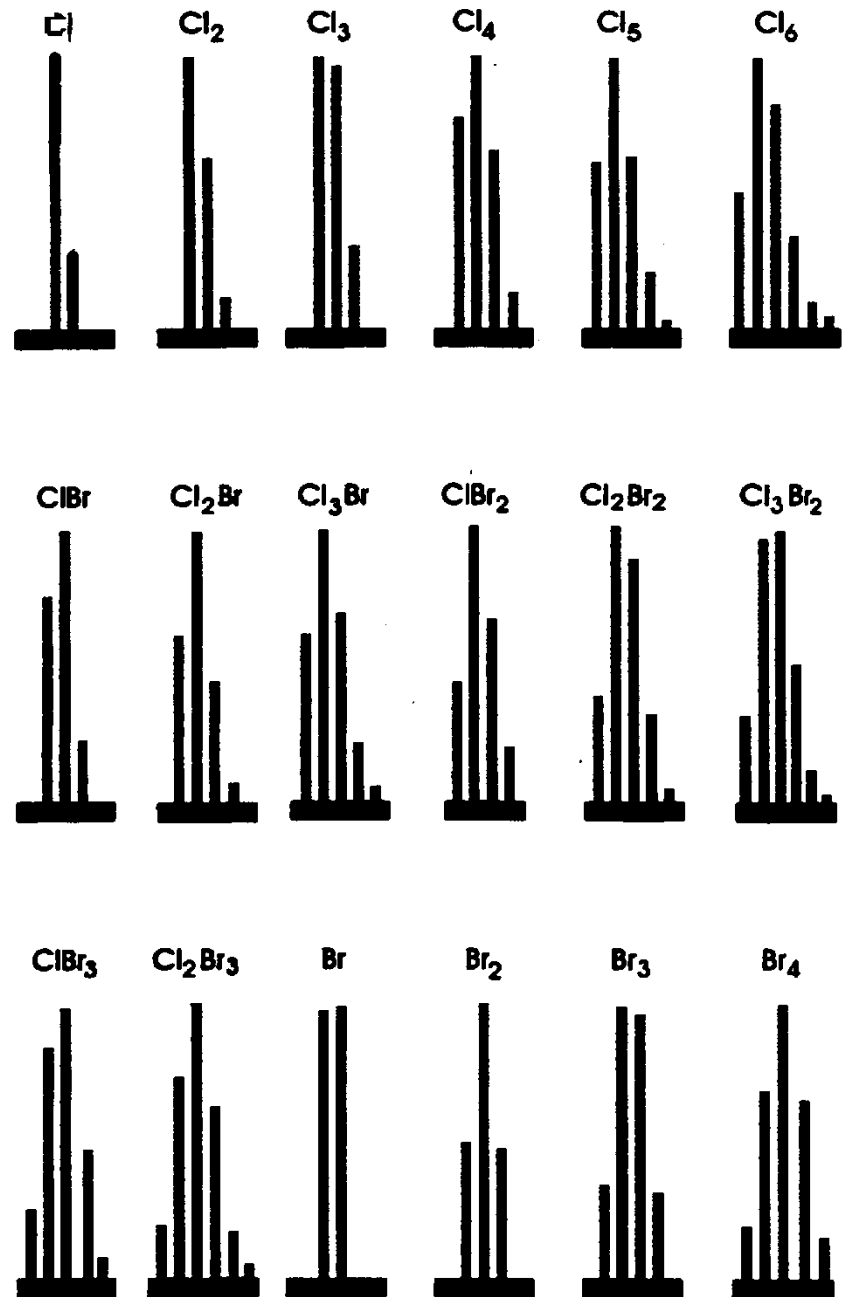


# Formula from Mass Spectrum

## M+2 Contributors



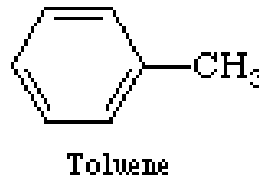
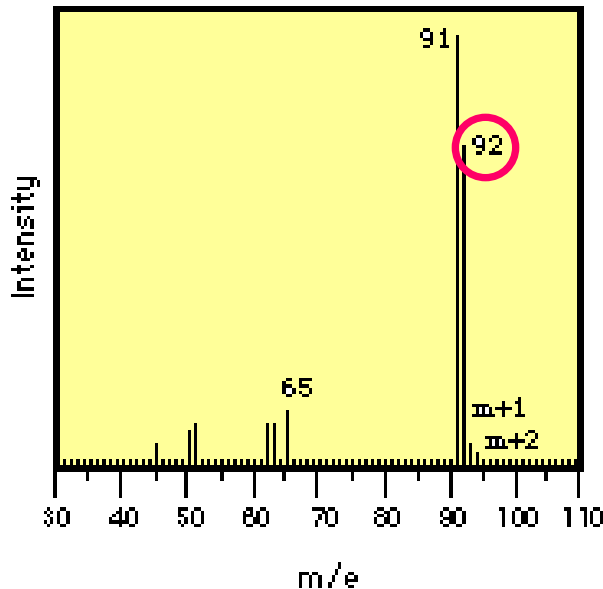
# Halogen Isotope Clusters



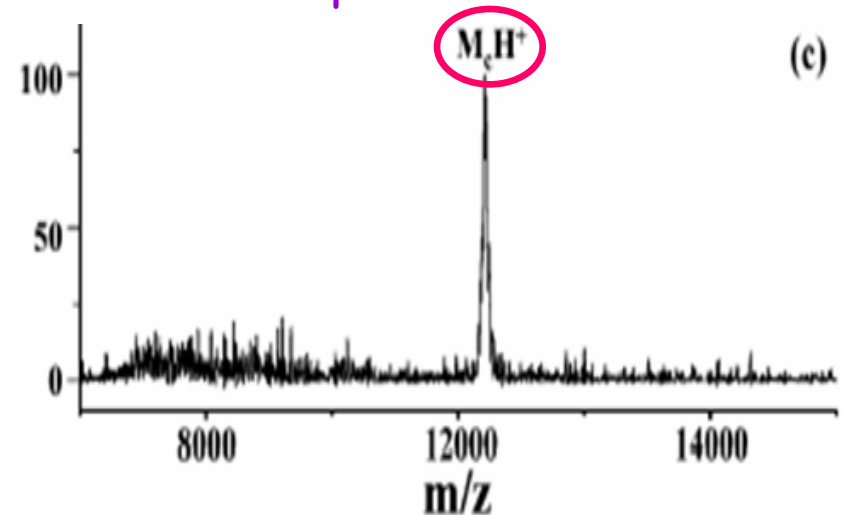
# Molecular Ion

- The molecular ion results from ionization of the analyte molecule.
- The molecular ion peak appears at an  $m/z$  value numerically equal to the **nominal molecular weight** (MW) of the compound.
  - The nominal molecular weight is calculated by summation of the atomic masses of the **lightest isotope** of each element composing the molecule.

Molecular ion  $\rightarrow$   $MW = M^+$ .



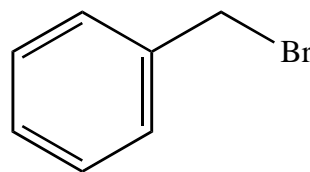
$MH^+ = MW + 1$   
called pseudomolecular ion



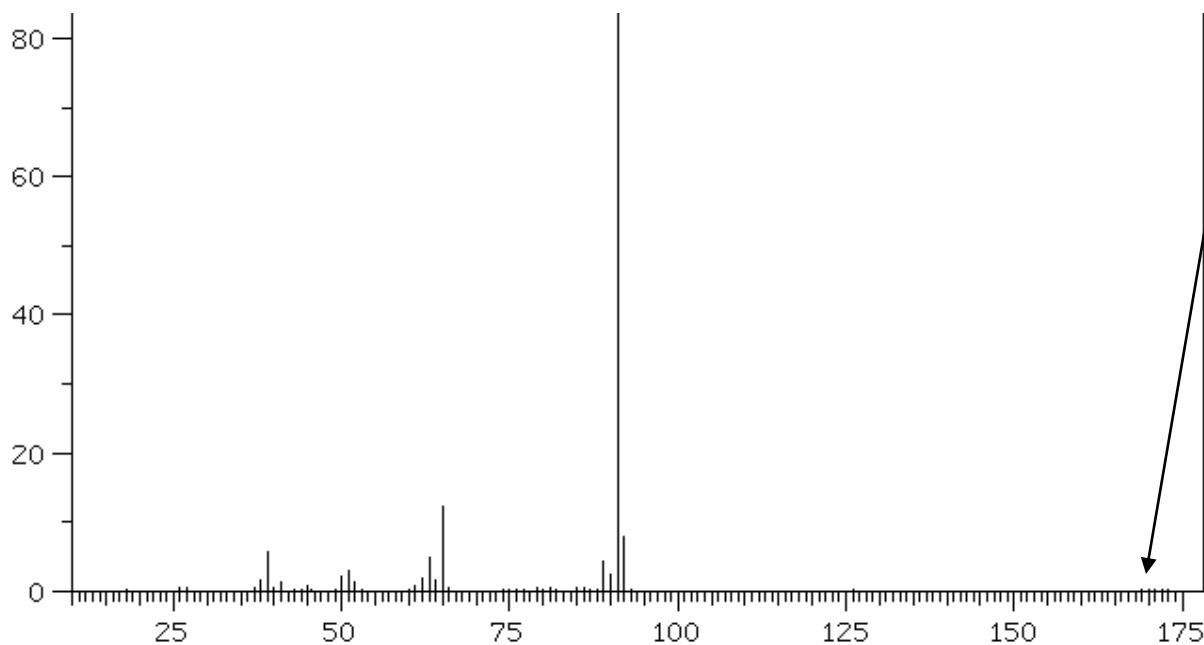
# Identifying the Molecular Ions

## Which peaks are molecular ions?

- Highest  $m/z$  not always  $M$
- $M+1$  has  $m/z$  one more than  $m/z$  of  $M$



$C_7H_7Br$   
 $M: m/z = 170$

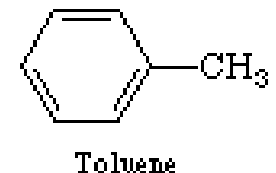
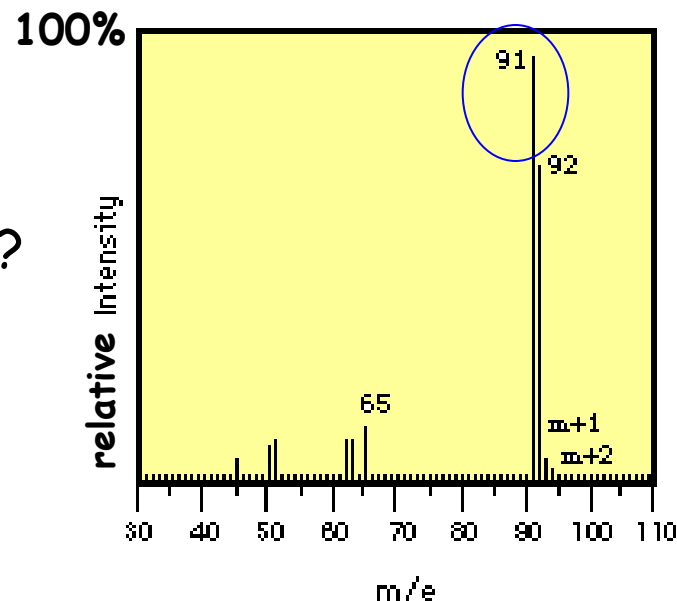




# *Base peak*

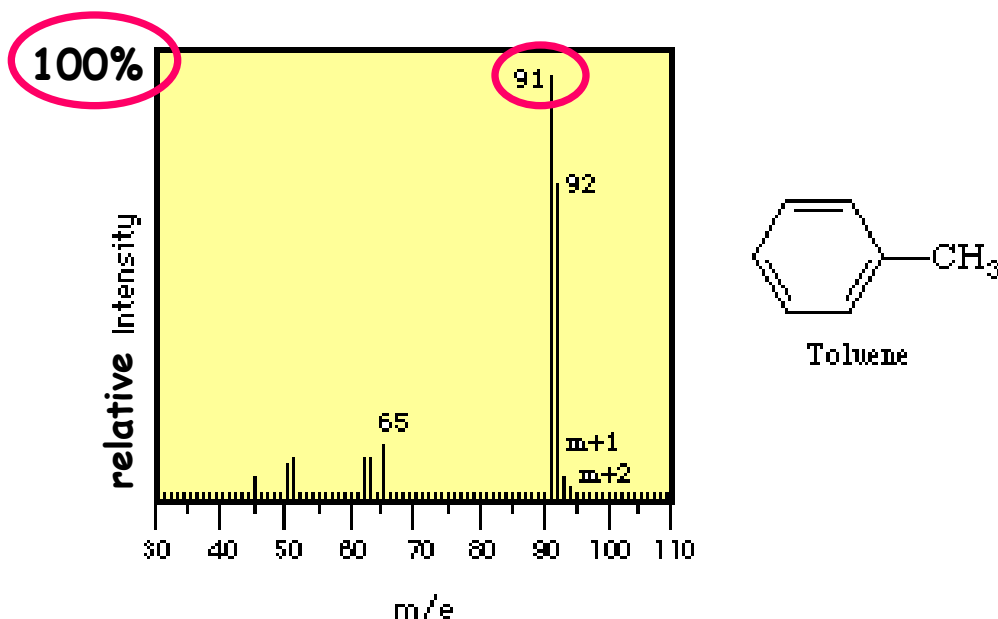
- ❑ The base peak is the **most intense peak** in the mass spectrum.
- ❑ It is used as the **base** against which the intensities of all other peaks are **normalized**.

Where is the base peak?



# Relative Intensity

- The relative intensity of a given peak expresses its intensity **relative to that of the base peak**, the most intense peak in the mass spectrum.



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# Formula from Mass Spectrum

## **Summary of Information from Mass Spectrum**

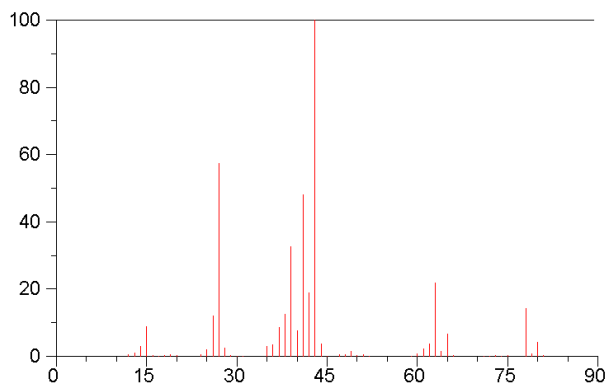
M: Reveals mass of molecule composed of lowest mass isotopes

M+1: Intensity of M+1 / 1.1% = number of carbons

M+2: Intensity reveals presence of sulfur, chlorine, and bromine

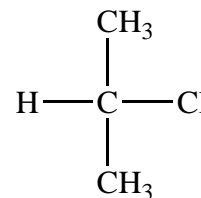
# Mass Spectrum → Formula → Structure

**How do we derive structure from the mass spectrum?**

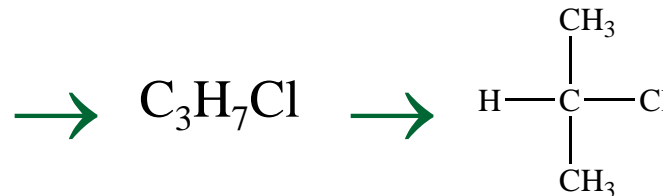
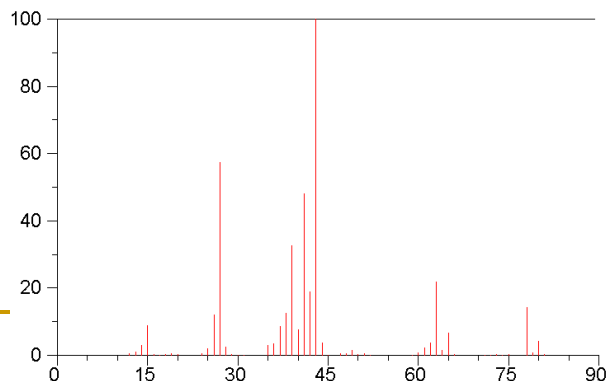


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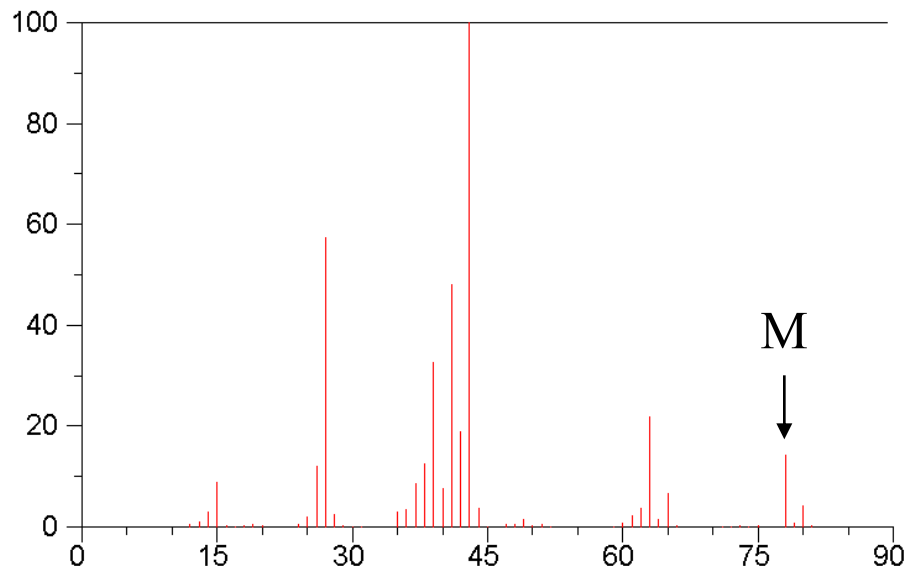
- Not trivial to do this directly
- Structure comes from formula; formula comes from mass spectrum



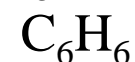
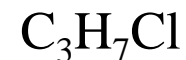
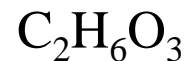
# Mass Spectrum → Formula → Structure

## How do we derive formula from the mass spectrum?

- $m/z$  and relative intensities of  $M$ ,  $M+1$ , and  $M+2$



M:  $m/z = 78$

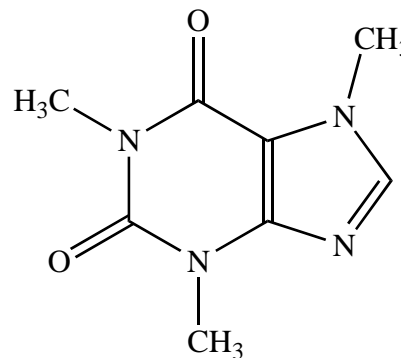
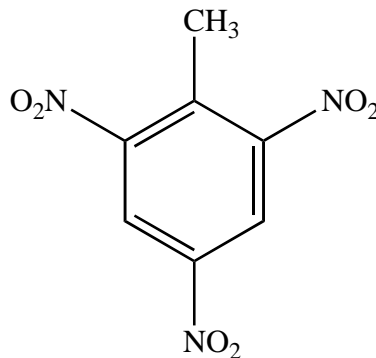


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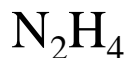
- A few useful rules to narrow the choices

# How Many Nitrogen Atoms?

Consider these molecules:



Formula:



m/z (M):

17

32

227

194

Conclusion

- When m/z (M) = **even**, number of N in formula is **even**
  - When m/z (M) = **odd**, number of N in formula is **odd**
- } **The Nitrogen Rule**

# How Many Nitrogen Atoms?

## A Nitrogen Rule Example

Example: Formula choices from previous mass spectrum

M:  $m/z = 78$  ←  $m/z$  even

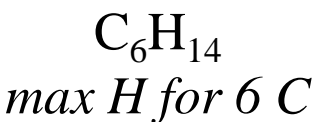
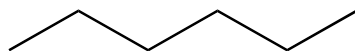
$C_2H_6O_3$  ← even nitrogen count

$C_3H_7Cl$  ← even nitrogen count

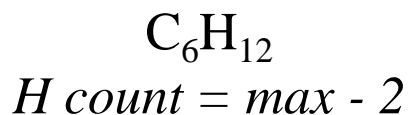
*discarded*  ~~$C_5H_4N$~~  ← odd nitrogen count

$C_6H_6$  ← even nitrogen count

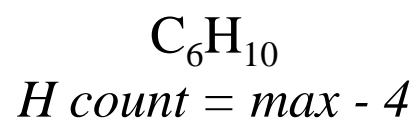
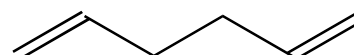
# How Many Hydrogen Atoms?



One pi bond



Two pi bonds



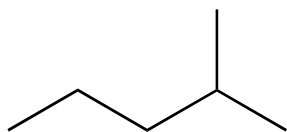
Conclusion: Each pi bond reduces max hydrogen count by two



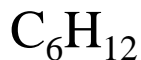
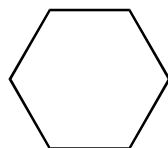
# How Many Hydrogen Atoms?



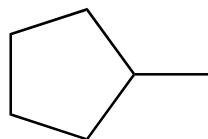
*max H for 6 C*



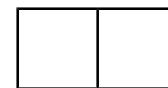
One ring



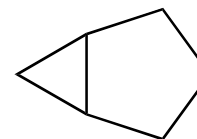
*H count = max - 2*



Two rings

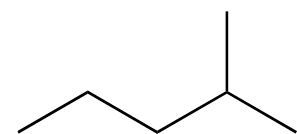


*H count = max - 4*



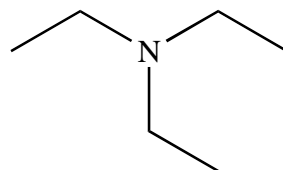
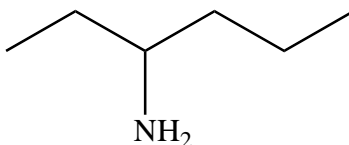
Conclusion: Each ring reduces max hydrogen count by two

# How Many Hydrogen Atoms?



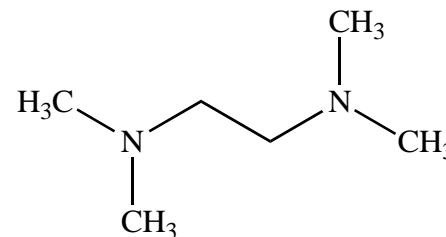
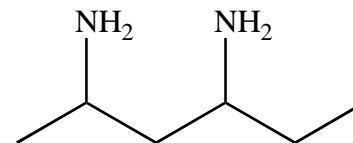
*max H for 6 C*

## One nitrogen



*H count = max + 1*

## Two nitrogens



*H count = max + 2*

## Conclusion:

- Each nitrogen increases max H count by one
- For C carbons and N nitrogens, max number of  $\text{H} = 2\text{C} + \text{N} + 2$

## **The Hydrogen Rule**

# Mass Spectrum → Formula

## Procedure

- Chem 14C atoms: H C N O F S Cl Br I
- M = molecular weight (lowest mass isotopes)
- M+1: gives carbon count
- M+2: presence of S, Cl, or Br
- No mass spec indicator for F, I *Assume absent unless otherwise specified*
- Accounts for all atoms except O, N, and H
- MW - mass due to C, S, Cl, Br, F, and I = mass due to O, N, and H
- Systematically vary O and N to get formula candidates
- Trim candidate list with nitrogen rule and hydrogen rule

# Mass Spectrum → Formula

## Example #1

	<u>m/z</u>	<u>Molecular ion</u>	<u>Relative abundance</u>	<u>Conclusions</u>
<u>Given information</u>	102	M	100%	Mass (lowest isotopes) = 102 Even number of nitrogens
	103	M+1	6.9%	$6.9 / 1.1 = 6.3$ Six carbons*
	104	M+2	0.38%	< 4% so no S, Cl, or Br <del>Oxygen?</del>

\*Rounding: 6.00 to 6.33 = 6; 6.34 to 6.66 = 6 or 7; 6.67 to 7.00 = 7

# Mass Spectrum → Formula

## Example #1

Mass (M) - mass (C, S, Cl, Br, F, and I) = mass (N, O, and H)

$$102 - C_6 = 102 - (6 \times 12) = 30 \text{ amu for N, O, and H}$$

<u>Oxygens</u>	<u>Nitrogens</u>	<u>30 - O - N = H</u>	<u>Formula</u>	<u>Notes</u>
0	0	$30 - 0 - 0 = 30$	<del><math>C_6H_{30}</math></del>	Violates hydrogen rule
1	0	$30 - 16 - 0 = 14$	$C_6H_{14}O$	Reasonable
2	0	$30 - 32 - 0 = -2$	<del><math>C_6H_{-2}O_2</math></del>	Not possible
0	2*	$30 - 0 - 28 = 2$	$C_6H_2N_2$	Reasonable

\*Nitrogen rule!

•Other data (functional groups from IR, NMR integration, etc.) further trims the list

# Mass Spectrum → Formula

## Example #2

<u>m/z</u>	<u>Molecular ion</u>	<u>Relative abundance</u>	<u>Conclusions</u>
157	M	100%	<i>Mass (lowest isotopes) = 157 Odd number of nitrogens</i>
158	M+1	9.39%	$9.39 / 1.1 = 8.5$ <i>Eight or nine carbons</i>
159	M+2	34%	<i>One Cl; no S or Br</i>

# Mass Spectrum → Formula

## Example #2

Try eight carbons:  $M - C_8 - Cl = 157 - (8 \times 12) - 35 = 26$  amu for O, N, and H

<u>Oxygens</u>	<u>Nitrogens</u>	<u>26 - O - N = H</u>	<u>Formula</u>	<u>Notes</u>
0	1*	$26 - 0 - 14 = 12$	$C_8H_{12}ClN$	Reasonable

\*Nitrogen rule!

Not enough amu available for one oxygen/one nitrogen or no oxygen/three nitrogens