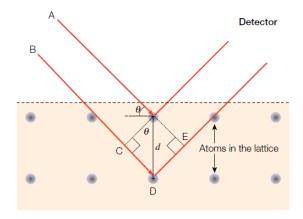
9.4.4 Superconductors

Investigations into the electrical properties of particular metals at different temperatures led to the identification of superconductivity and the exploration of possible applications

4.1 Outline the methods used by the Braggs to determine crystal structure

- William Henry and William Lawrence Bragg investigated X-rays and their interaction with lattices
 - o Like water waves diffracting from a slit, X-rays diffract in solid lattices



- X-ray interference pattern can be made for constructive interference
- Modified (Bragg X-ray) spectrometer fires a parallel beam of X-rays at NaCl crystal
 - o X-rays diffract and enter ionisation chamber, detecting intensity of X-rays
- Obtain 'd-spacing' by using/changing the incidence angle and wavelength (as constructive interference comes in integer values of $n\lambda$) and measured as $n\lambda = 2CD = 2dsin\theta$

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