

# Relativistic Dirac Electrons in Solids

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## Outline

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Lecture 1. Relativistic Dirac Electrons in Graphene

Lecture 2. Effects of Relativistic Dirac Electrons in Graphene

Lecture 3. Generalizations: Engineering Dirac Electrons

Lecture 4. Relativistic Dirac Electrons in Other Solids  
(Quantum Spin Hall Effects and Topological Insulators)

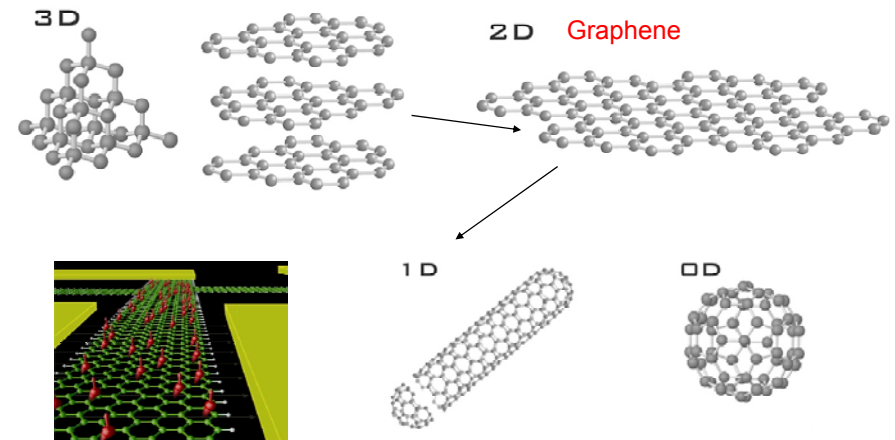
## Lecture 1

### Relativistic Dirac Electrons in Graphene

## What is graphene?

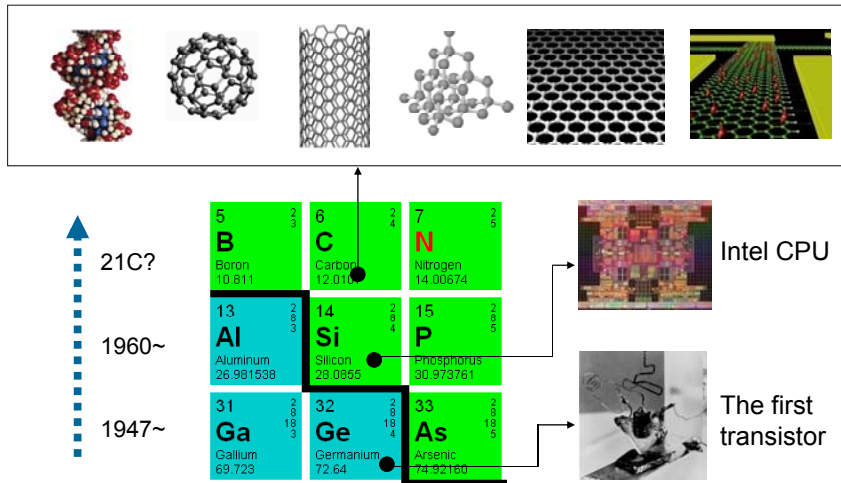
- Carbon allotropes

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## Why Carbon?

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This slides is inspired by T. Ohta at LBNL and Fritz-Haber-Institut.

## Graphene

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- Strongest materials ever measured : Young's modulus 1.0 Tpa
- Thinnest flexible membrane ever created
- Impermeable to gases (even atomic hydrogen)
- Record value for RT thermal conductivity of ~5000 W/mK
- Ballistic transport over micrometers at RT
- Current density six order of magnitude higher than that of Cu
- Room temperature Quantum Hall Effects
- Unique material showing something exotics at RT

## Graphene

- Statistics of recent APS March meetings

### 2009 APS March meeting at Pittsburg, USA

**DCMP** : Graphene Focus Sessions I-XIX  
(Organizers: A. H. Castro Neto, A. Lanzara, **Y.-W. Son**)

**DCMP, DMP, GMAG, FIAP**: 9 other sessions

Total 28 Sessions, ~650 talks (960 if including nanotube)  
→ ~9% (14%) of total ~7000 talks

- ✓ 2007 Denver Meeting 400 (800) talks out of 6800 talks
- ✓ 2008 New Orleans Meeting 580 (900) talks out of 6500 talks

## Brief history of graphene

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- Early works

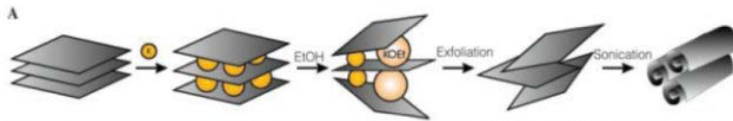
- Energy bands of graphite calculated  
P. R. Wallace, PR **71**, 622 (47).
- Many important works (Dresselhaus and others)
- Condensed matter analogues to (2+1)D – QED suggested  
G. W. Semenoff, PRL **53**, 2449 (84), E. Fradkin, PRB **33**, 3236 (86), F. D. M. Haldane, PRL **61**, 2015 (88)
- **Carbon nanotubes ! (Iijima, 91)**
- Single layer of graphene grown on Pt(111) and TiC(111) substrates – CVD of hydrocarbons on metal (**promising?**)  
T. A. Land *et al*, Surf. Sci. **264**, 261 (1992); A. Nagashima *et al*, Surf. Sci. **291**, 93 (1993)

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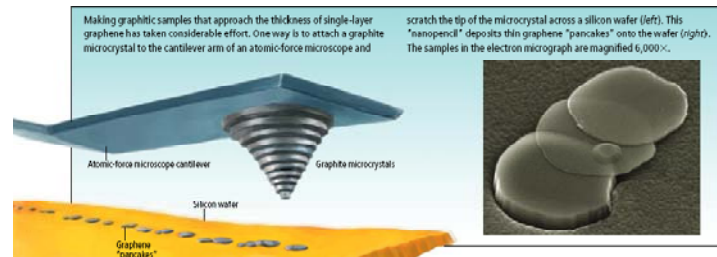
## - Early works

- Intercalated graphite as a route to graphene !

L. M. Vicilis *et al*, Science **299**, 1361 (2003).



- Graphene nano-pencil ? (P. Kim@Columbia)



# Electronic structure of graphene

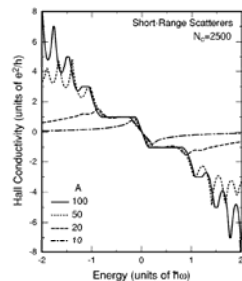
## - Isolation of graphene ?

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### Hall conductivity of a two-dimensional graphite system

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(Received 13 September 2001; revised manuscript received 8 March 2002; published 18 June 2002)



A 2D graphite sheet does not exist in nature. One possible candidate may be graphite intercalation compounds of stage 1 having isolated graphite sheets separated from each other by an intercalant layer. However, the interaction between the graphite layer and intercalants alters the band structure considerably. In fact, most intercalation compounds have Fermi surfaces consisting of a three-dimensional sphere (originating from so-called interlayer states) and that of 2D graphite.<sup>36</sup> Therefore, they do not provide a realistic 2D graphite sheet for the measurement of magnetotransport.

# Electronic structure of graphene

## - Isolation of graphene ?

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### Model for a Quantum Hall Effect without Landau Levels: Condensed-Matter Realization of the "Parity Anomaly"

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(Received 16 September 1987)

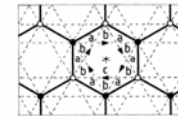


FIG. 1. The honeycomb-net model ("2D graphite") showing nearest-neighbor bonds (solid lines) and second-neighbor bonds (dashed lines). Open and solid points, respectively, mark the A and B sublattice sites. The Wigner-Seitz unit cell is conveniently centered on the point of sixfold rotation symmetry (marked "+") and is then bounded by the hexagon of nearest-neighbor bonds. Arrows on second-neighbor bonds mark the directions of positive phase hopping in the state with broken time-reversal invariance.

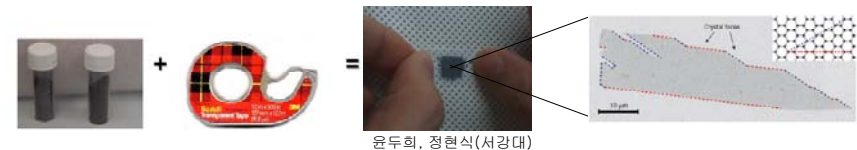
While the particular model presented here is unlikely to be directly physically realizable, it indicates that, at least in principle, the QHE can be placed in the wider context of phenomena associated with broken time-reversal invariance, and does not necessarily require external magnetic fields, but could occur as a consequence of magnetic ordering in a quasi-two-dimensional system.

# Exfoliated Graphene

## - Breakthrough

- Micromechanical cleavage of bulk graphite up to 100 micrometer in size via adhesive tapes !

Novoselov *et al*, Science **306**, 666 (2004)



A. K. Geim Group @ Manchester  
K. S. Novoselov *et al*, Nature **438**, 197 (2005)

P. Kim Group @ Columbia  
Y. Zhang *et al*, Nature **438**, 201 (2005)



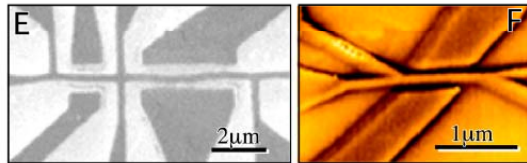
# Epitaxial Graphene

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- Graphene electronics?

- Epitaxial growth of graphene on SiC{0001}

W. A. de Heer Group at Georgia Tech  
C. Berger *et al*, Science **312**, 1191 (2006)



- Precise control of number of layers of graphene
- Large scale graphene productions

# CVD Graphene

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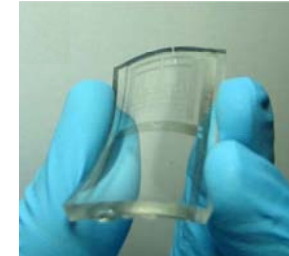
- Graphene electronics?

- Large scale graphene growth by using Chemical Vapor Deposition on thin nickel film and copper foil

Byung Hee Hong group at SKKU  
K. S. Kim *et al*, Nature **457**, 706 (2009)

Jing Kong group at MIT  
A. Reina *et al*, Nano Lett. **9**, 30 (2009)

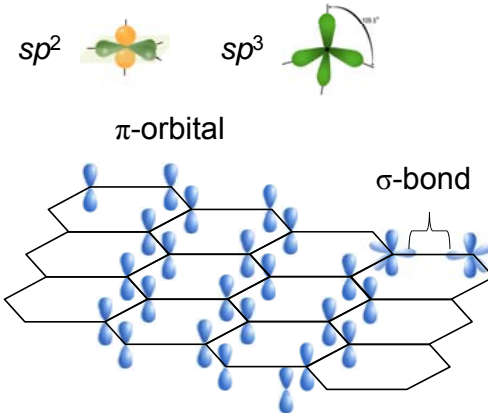
Rod Ruoff group at UT Austin  
X. S. Li *et al*, Science **324**, 1312 (2009)



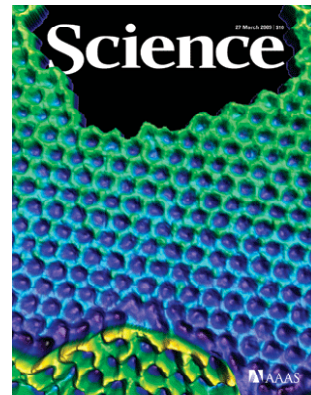
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- Nature of bonds in graphene



Hexagonal network of Carbon  
–  $sp^2$  bonding

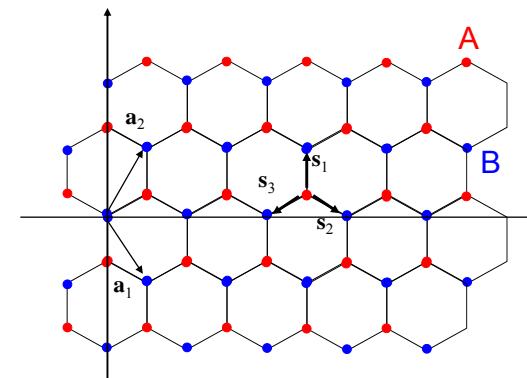


TEM image,  
Zettl group at UC Berkeley  
C. Girit *et al*. Science **323**, 170 (2009)

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- Real space: tight-binding Hamiltonian



Two sublattices -  
Bipartite system

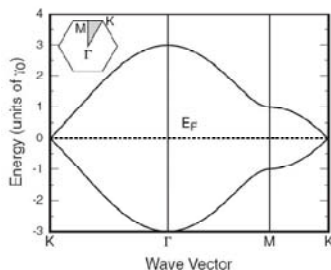
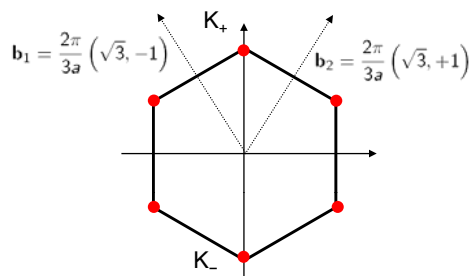
Nearest-neighbor tight-binding Hamiltonian for  $\pi$ -orbitals

$$\mathcal{H} = -t \sum_{\mathbf{r} \in A} \sum_{i=1,2,3} \left[ a^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) b(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{s}_i) + b^\dagger(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{s}_i) a(\mathbf{r}) \right]$$

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- Energy spectrum



$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left[ \Phi(\mathbf{k}) a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) b(\mathbf{k}) + \Phi^*(\mathbf{k}) b^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) a(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

$$= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \begin{pmatrix} a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) & b^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Phi(\mathbf{k}) \\ \Phi^*(\mathbf{k}) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a(\mathbf{k}) \\ b(\mathbf{k}) \end{pmatrix}$$

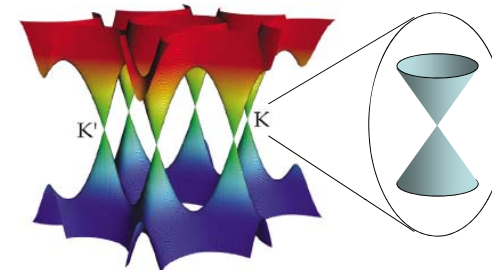
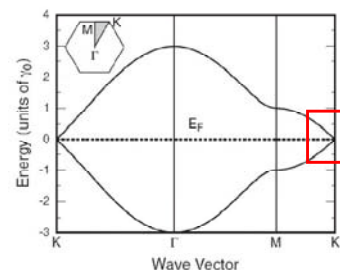
• Hexagonal BZ with two special Fermi points,

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{k}) = \pm t |\Phi(\mathbf{k})| = \pm t \left| 1 + 2e^{-i\frac{3}{2}k_y} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}k_x\right) \right|$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{\pm} = \left( \pm \frac{4\pi}{3\sqrt{3}a}, 0 \right)$$

# Electronic structure of graphene

- Linear energy bands



• Two inequivalent Dirac cones at K and K'

$$\Phi_+(\mathbf{p}) = -t \sum_{j=1,2,3} e^{-i(\mathbf{K}_+ + \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{s}_j}$$

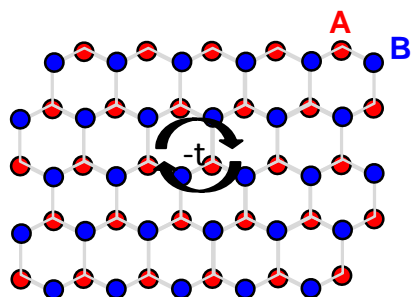
$$\approx t \sum_{j=1,2,3} e^{-i\mathbf{K}_+ \cdot \mathbf{s}_j} (i\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{s}_j)$$

$$= \frac{3at}{2} (p_x - ip_y) = v_F (p_x - ip_y)$$

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- Real space

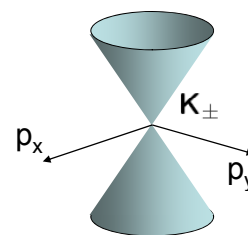


$$H = v_F \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \begin{pmatrix} c_A^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) & c_B^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_x - ip_y \\ p_x + ip_y & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_A(\mathbf{p}) \\ c_B(\mathbf{p}) \end{pmatrix}$$

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- 'Neutrino' in your pencil?



$$H = v_F (\sigma_x p_x + \sigma_y p_y) = v_F \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}$$

Dirac equation with zero mass  
 → charged 'neutrino' in your pencil?

• Relativistic particle :

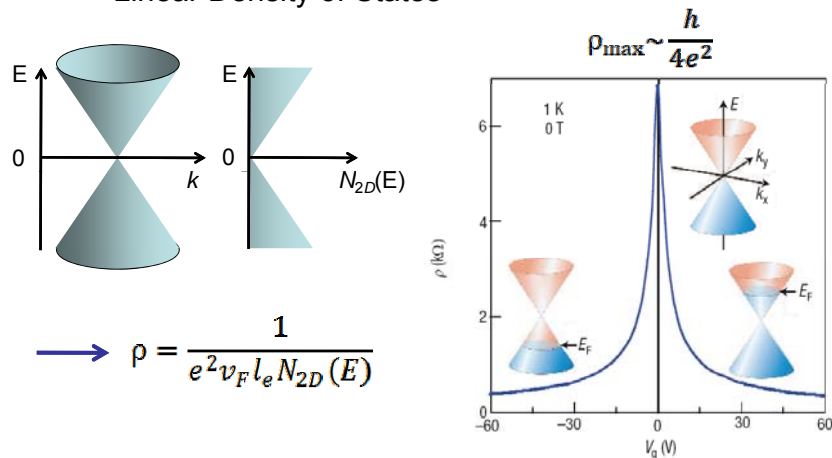
$$E = \pm \sqrt{c^2 p^2 + m^2 c^4} = \pm v_F |\mathbf{p}|$$

c = v\_F: effective speed of 'light'    m = 0

# Electronic structure of graphene

- Consequences of massless Dirac fermions

## Linear Density of States



Zhang *et al*, Novoselov *et al* (05)

# Transport properties of graphene

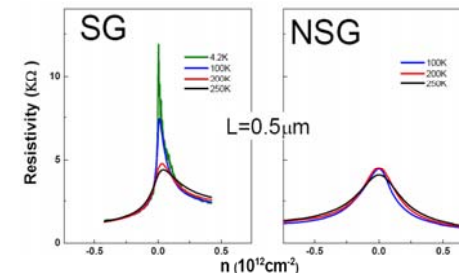
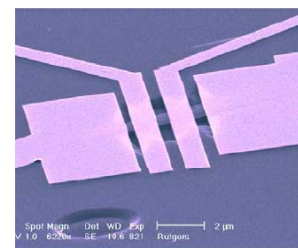
- Mobility of graphene

Mobility of suspended graphene ~ 200,000 cm<sup>2</sup>/Vs

Observation of nearly ballistic transport regime/ FQHE

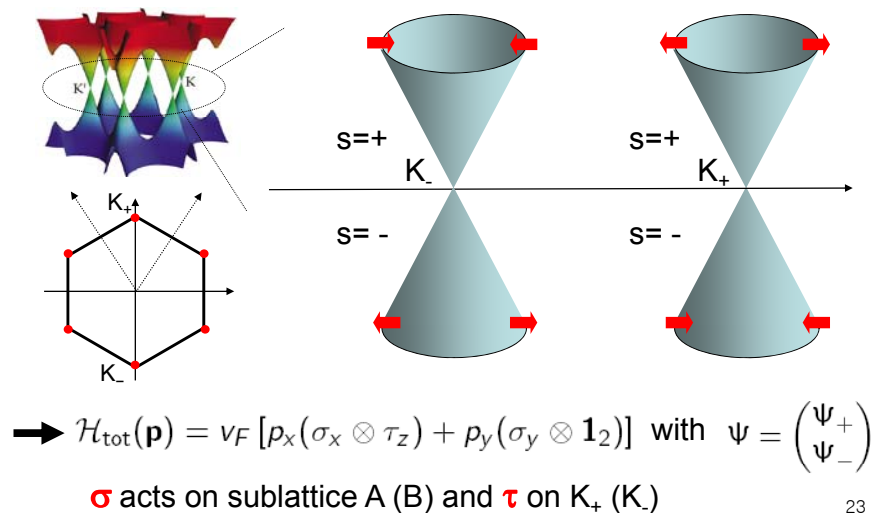
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# Electronic structure of graphene

- Total Hamiltonian



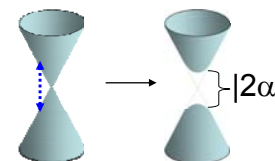
# Electronic structure of graphene

- Gap generation in graphene

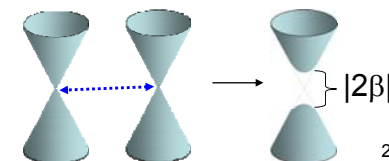
$$\mathcal{H} = \begin{pmatrix}
 \text{KA} & \text{KB} & \text{K'A} & \text{K'B} \\
 \alpha & v_F(\hat{k}_x - i\hat{k}_y) & 0 & \beta \\
 v_F(\hat{k}_x + i\hat{k}_y) & -\alpha & \beta & 0 \\
 0 & \beta^* & \alpha & -v_F(\hat{k}_x + i\hat{k}_y) \\
 \beta^* & 0 & -v_F(\hat{k}_x - i\hat{k}_y) & -\alpha
 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow E = \pm \sqrt{v_F^2 k^2 + |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2}$$

Onsite energy difference  
- Mixing pseudo-spins

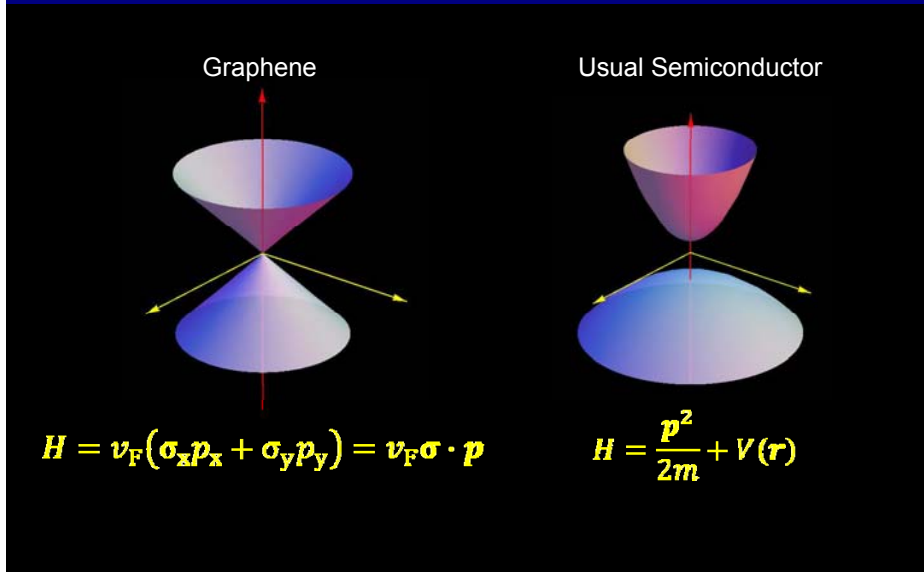


Mixing between K+ and K-  
- Mixing chiralities



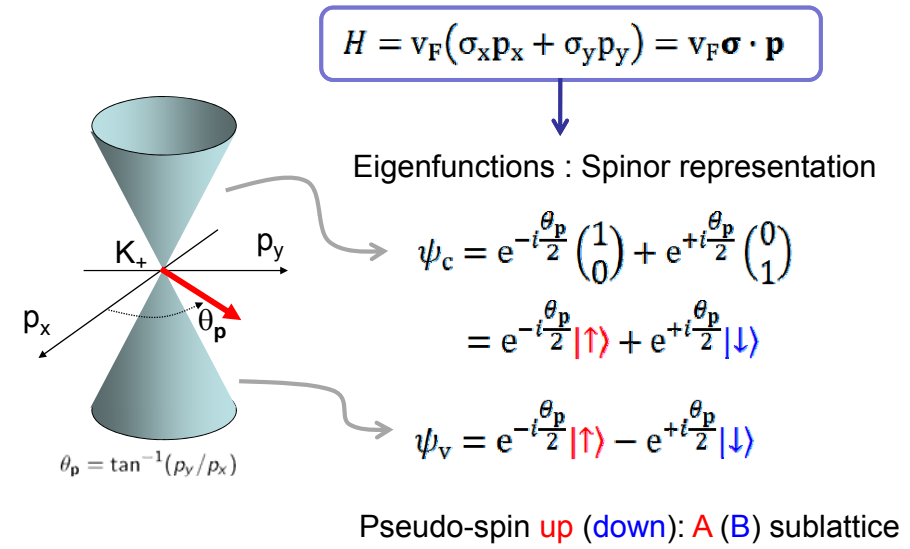
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- Low energy dispersions



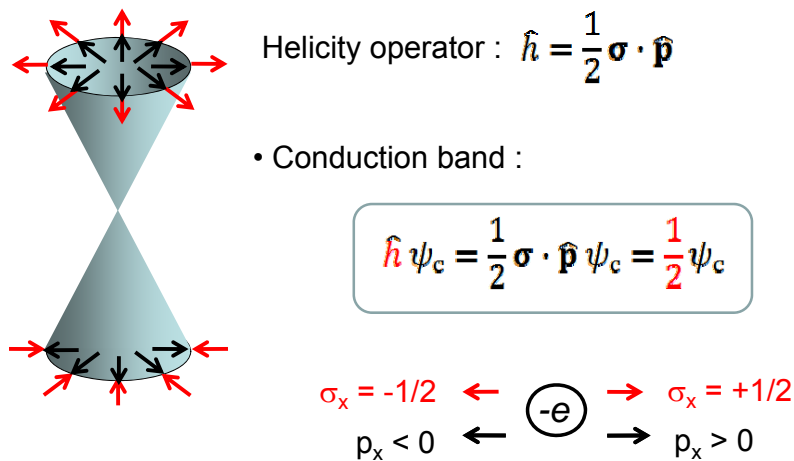
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- Pseudospin and chiral states



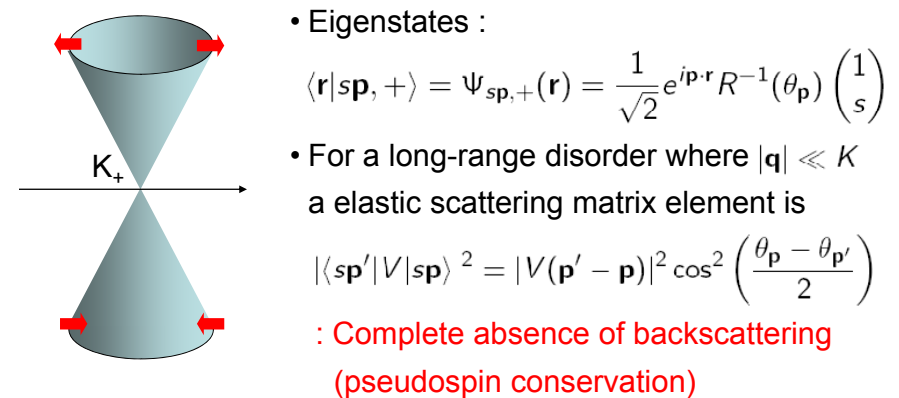
# Electronic structure of graphene

- Chiral states: charged "neutrino" in your pencil



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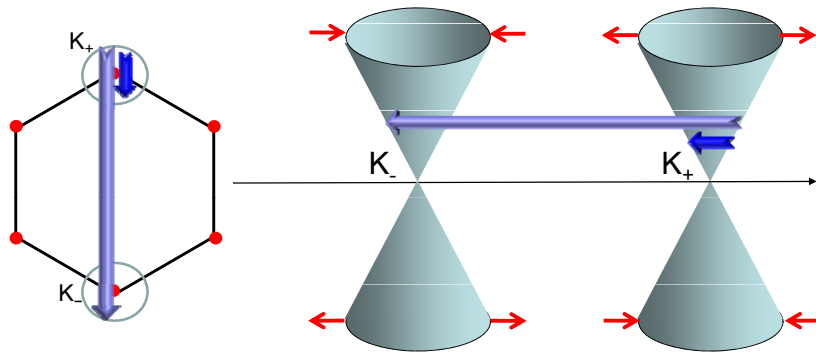
- Consequence of chirality



- Klein paradox: M. I. Katsnelson *et al*, Nature Phys. **2**, 620 (2006)
- Veselago lens: V. V. Cheianov *et al*, Science **315**, 1252 (2007)

# Electronic structure of graphene

## - Scattering



- Intra-valley scattering: small momentum transfer, lattice distortion, etc.
- Inter-valley scattering: large momentum transfer, short range atomic impurities, etc

# Lecture 2

## Consequences

# Electronic structure of graphene

## - Tunneling

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**1 CLASSICAL PHYSICS**

Electron as low-energy particle

**No tunneling**

**2 QUANTUM MECHANICS**

Electron as "slow-moving" wave

**Partial tunneling**

**3 QUANTUM ELECTRODYNAMICS**

Electron as high-speed wave

**Perfect tunneling**

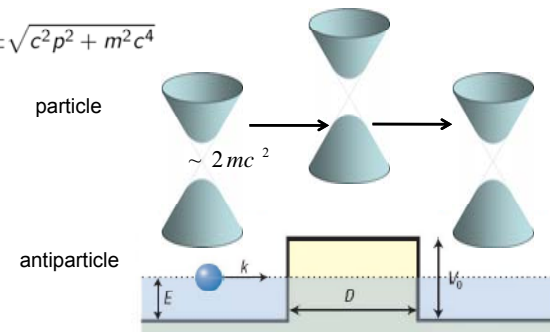
A. K. Geim & P. Kim Scientific American, Apr. 2008

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## - Klein paradox

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$$E = \pm \sqrt{c^2 p^2 + m^2 c^4}$$



- Klein paradox: Unimpeded penetration of relativistic particles through very high potential barriers.
- Potential drop  $\sim 2mc^2$  over  $\hbar/mc$  :  $\sim 10^8$  V/Å  
 → Event horizon of Black hole  
 → Supercritical massive atoms

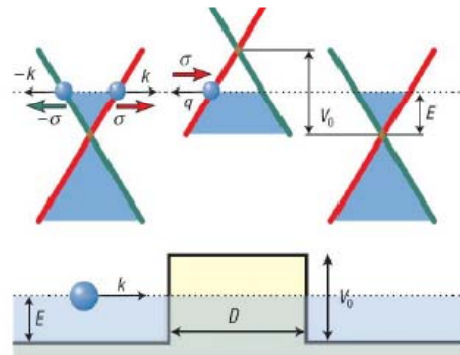
O. Klein, Z. Phys. 53, 157 (1929)

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## - Klein tunneling

Graphene

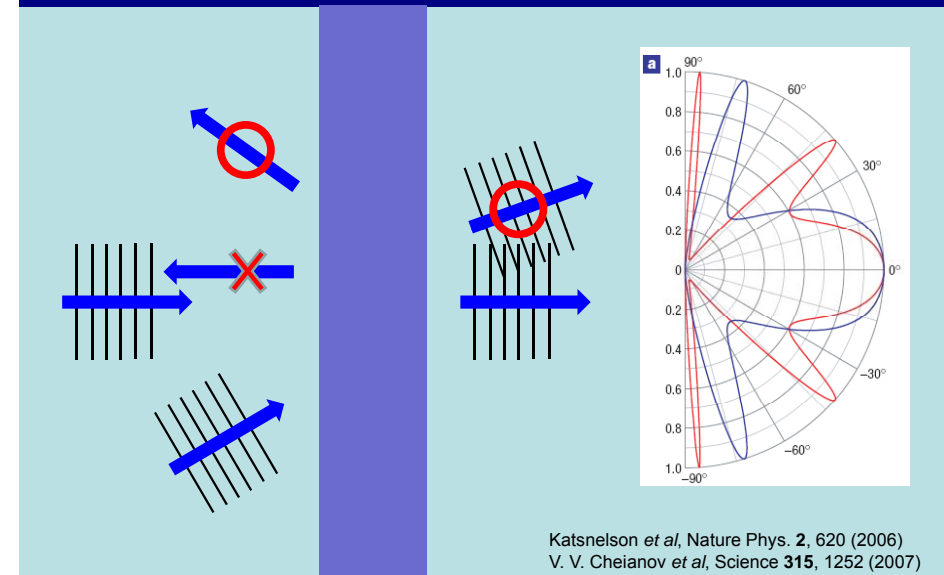


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 Phys. Rev. Lett. (2008),  
 Nano Lett (2008)

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## - Klein tunneling



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## - Klein tunneling

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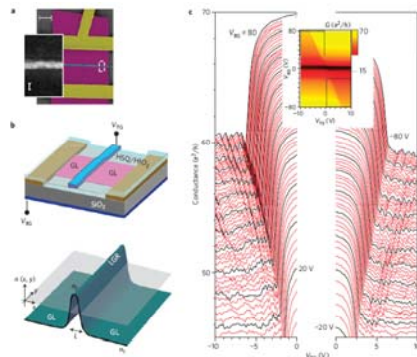
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## Quantum interference and Klein tunnelling in graphene heterojunctions

Andrea F. Young and Philip Kim\*

Pabry-Ferot interference: observation of Berry's phase

A. F. Young & P. Kim, Nature Phys. **5**, 222 (2009).  
 N. Stander, B. Huard, D. Goldhaber-Gordon,  
 Phys. Rev. Lett. **102**, 026807 (2009)



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## - Klein paradox

PRL **99**, 246802 (2007)

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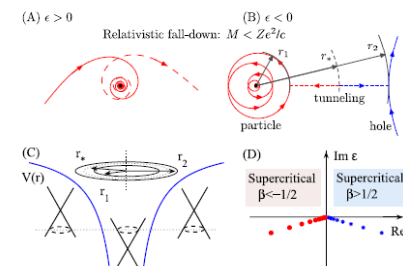
## Atomic Collapse and Quasi-Rydberg States in Graphene

A. V. Shytov,<sup>1</sup> M. I. Katsnelson,<sup>2</sup> and L. S. Levitov<sup>3</sup>

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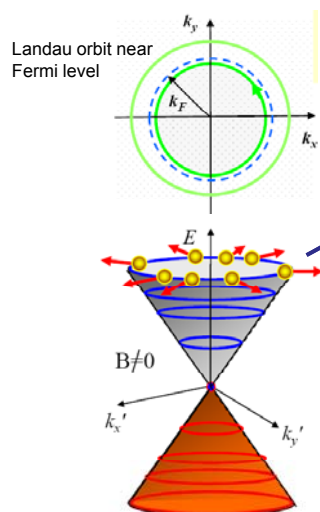
• Supercritical atomic collapse if  $Z \geq 137$

• In graphene, divalent or trivalent impurities e.g. Ca, Yb, La, Gd are enough to realize this effect.

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- Shubnikov-de Hass Oscillation and Berry's phase

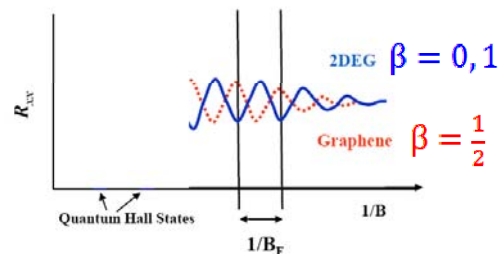


$$\Psi(\mathbf{p}) = R^{-1}(\theta_p) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R(\theta_p) = \exp\left(i\frac{\theta_p}{2}\sigma_z\right) \quad \hat{p}_x + i\hat{p}_y = e^{i\theta_p}$$

$$R(\theta_p \pm 2\pi) = -R(\theta_p)$$

$$\Delta R_{xx} = -R(B, T) \cos\left(2\pi\frac{B_F}{B} + 2\pi\beta\right)$$

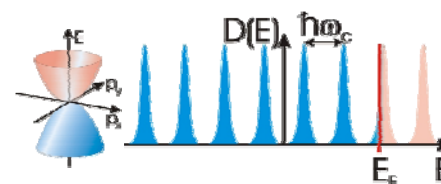


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- Landau levels in perpendicular B-field

Parabolic band (normal metal)

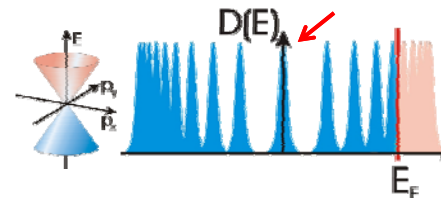


$$E_n = \hbar\omega_c \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\omega_c = \frac{eR}{mc} = \frac{\hbar}{ml_B^2}, \quad l_B = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{eB}}$$

$$B = 10 \text{ T}, \quad \hbar\omega_c \approx 1 \text{ K}$$

Linear band (single layer graphene)



$$E_n = \hbar\omega_c \sqrt{n}$$

$$\omega_c = \frac{v_F}{l_B} = v_F \sqrt{\frac{eB}{\hbar c}}$$

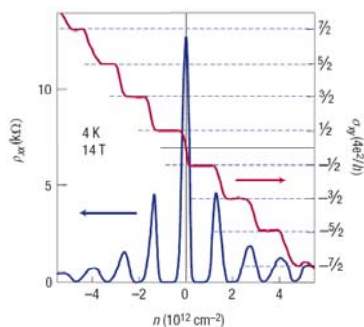
$$B = 10 \text{ T}, \quad \hbar\omega_c \approx 1500 \text{ K}$$

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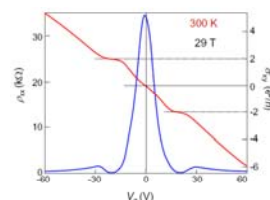
- Consequences of chiral massless Dirac fermions

Half-integer Quantum Hall Effect (Room T) !  
(Manifestation of Berry's phase of pseudospin)



Zhang *et al* (05), Novoselov *et al* (05)

Kim & Geim *et al* (07)



$$R_{xy}^{-1} = \pm g_s \cdot \left(\nu + \frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{e^2}{h}$$

$$\nu = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

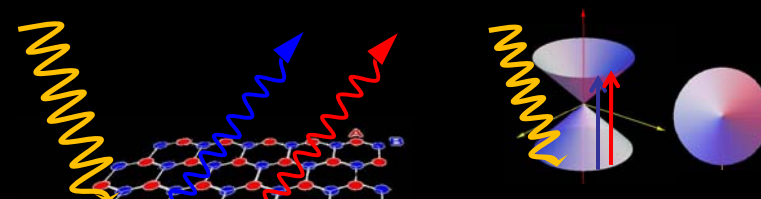
$$g_s = 2 \times 2 \text{ (spin \& sublattice)}$$

Haldane (88), T. Ando (02)

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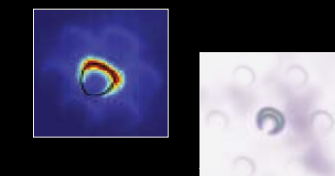
- Consequence of chiral massless Dirac particles



Bostwick *et al*, Nature Phys 3, 36 (07)  
Zhou *et al*, Nature Mat 6, 770 (07)

Photoemission experiments :  
Crescent shape anisotropy  
(à la Young's double slit !)

$$I \sim \left| e^{+i\frac{\theta}{2}} + e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}} \right|^2 \sim \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

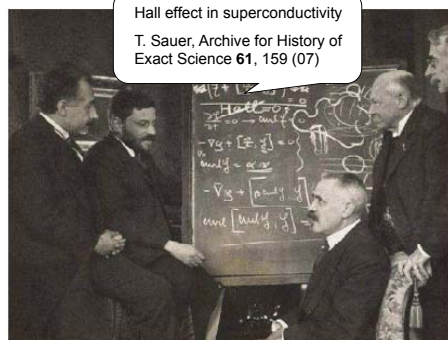


Kim, Ihm, Choi & Son,  
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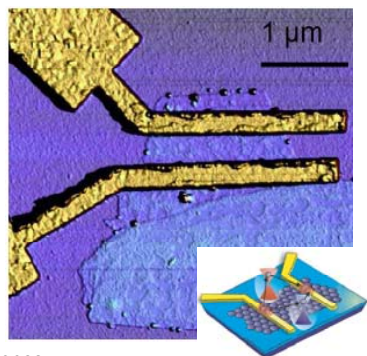
# Electronic structure of graphene

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- Special relativity vs Superconductivity



Hall effect in superconductivity  
T. Sauer, Archive for History of Exact Science 61, 159 (07)



Oct. 1920 Leiden, Einstein, Ehrenfest, Langevin, Onnes

H. B. Heersche, P. Jarillo-Herrero *et al*, Nature **446**, 56 (2007)

# Electronic structure of graphene

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- Gap?

$$\text{Fine structure constant, } \alpha = \frac{e^2}{\hbar c} \approx \frac{1}{137}$$

$$\text{"Effective Fine structure constant" in graphene: } \alpha_G = \frac{e^2}{\epsilon \hbar v_F} \approx \frac{300}{137 \times \epsilon}$$

PRL **102**, 026802 (2009)

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

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## Is Graphene in Vacuum an Insulator?

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We present evidence, from lattice Monte Carlo simulations of the phase diagram of graphene as a function of the Coulomb coupling between quasiparticles, that graphene in vacuum is likely to be an insulator. We find a semimetal-insulator transition at  $\alpha_g^{\text{crit}} = 1.11 \pm 0.06$ , where  $\alpha_g \approx 2.16$  in vacuum, and  $\alpha_g \approx 0.79$  on a SiO<sub>2</sub> substrate. Our analysis uses the logarithmic derivative of the order parameter, supplemented by an equation of state. The insulating phase disappears above a critical number of four-component fermion flavors  $4 < N_f^{\text{crit}} < 6$ . Our data are consistent with a second-order transition.

# Electronic structure of graphene

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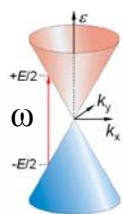
- Opacity

$$\vec{E}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \mathbf{E} e^{i(\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$H = v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot \left( \vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} \right) = H_0 + H_{\text{int}}$$

$$H_{\text{int}} = v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} = v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot \frac{e}{i\omega} \vec{E}$$

$$P(\text{absorption}) = \frac{W_a}{W_i} = \frac{\text{absorbed energy by graphene}}{\text{incident energy}}$$



$$W_i = \frac{c}{4\pi} |\vec{E}|^2$$

$$\begin{cases} W_a = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |M|^2 D\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2}\right) \times \hbar\omega \\ D\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2}\right) = \frac{\hbar\omega}{\pi \hbar^2 v_F^2} \\ |M|^2 = \left| \langle \psi_f | v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot \frac{e}{i\omega} \vec{E} | \psi_i \rangle \right|^2 = \frac{1}{8} e^2 v_F^2 \frac{|\vec{E}|^2}{\omega^2} \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow P(\text{absorption}) = \frac{W_a}{W_i} = \frac{(e^2/4\hbar) |\vec{E}|^2}{(c/4\pi) |\vec{E}|^2} = \frac{\pi e^2}{\hbar c} = \pi \alpha$$

# Electronic structure of graphene

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- Opacity

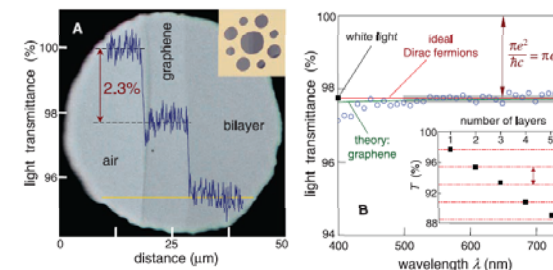
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## Fine Structure Constant Defines Visual Transparency of Graphene

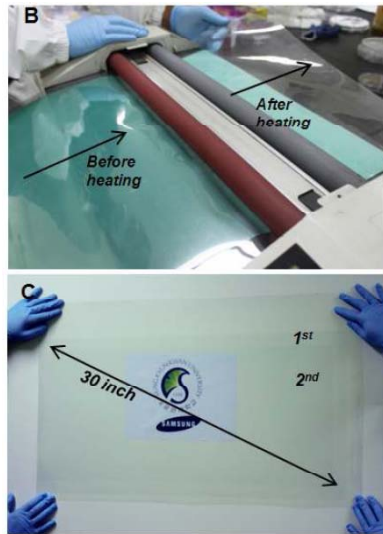
R. R. Nair,<sup>1</sup> P. Blake,<sup>1</sup> A. N. Grigorenko,<sup>1</sup> K. S. Novoselov,<sup>1</sup> T. J. Booth,<sup>1</sup> T. Stauber,<sup>2</sup> N. M. R. Peres,<sup>2</sup> A. K. Geim<sup>1\*</sup>

Science **320**, 1308 (2008)

Transmittance ~  
97.7%



- Opacity

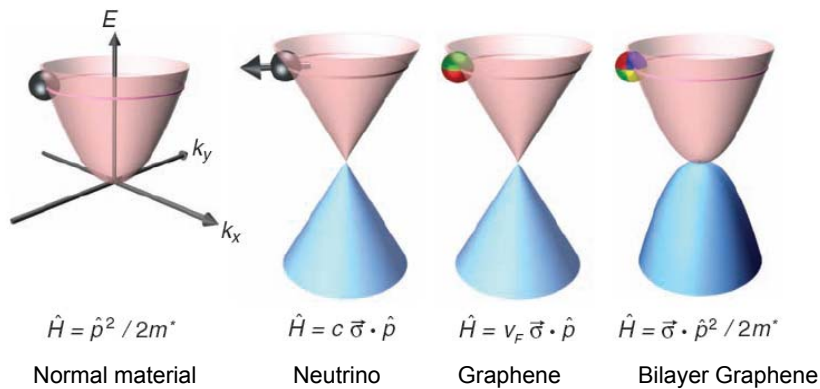


Materials	Fracture Strain	Materials	Fracture Strain
Silicon	~ 0.7%	Poly- ZnO	0.03%
ITO	0.58 - 1.15%	Polyimide	4%
Alu	0.46%	CNT, Graphene	~ 20%

- Transparent flexible display?
- Replacement of ITO?
- Prof. Byung Hee Hong  
(SKKU) arXiv.org:0912.5485

See Video >>>

## What is bilayer graphene?



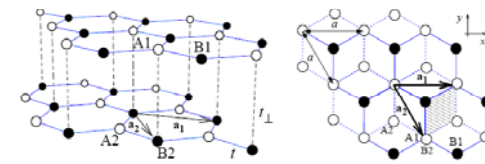
- Only single layer graphene has a linear dispersion.
- All others are massive, i.e., almost normal metals **But**,

## Lecture 2

## Bilayer Graphene

## Bilayer graphene

: Massive chiral particles



Minimal model: Two coupled single layer graphene with dimer couplings A1-B2

$$\mathcal{H} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & v_F \pi & 0 & 0 \\ v_F \pi^\dagger & 0 & t_\perp & 0 \\ 0 & t_\perp & 0 & v_F \pi \\ 0 & 0 & v_F \pi^\dagger & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \pi = p_x - ip_y = |\mathbf{p}| e^{-i\phi_p}$$

$$\Psi = (\psi_{B1}, \psi_{A1}, \psi_{B2}, \psi_{A2})^T$$

# Bilayer graphene

: Massive chiral particles

## Bilayer Graphene

Low energy effective Hamiltonian by integrating out high energy dimer part

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} \simeq \frac{v_F^2}{t_{\perp}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pi^2 \\ (\pi^{\dagger})^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{|\mathbf{p}|^2}{2m^*} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{n}_{\mathbf{p}} \quad m^* = \frac{t_{\perp}}{2v_F^2}$$

MASSIVE CHIRAL

$$\hat{n}_{\mathbf{p}} = (\cos(2\phi_{\mathbf{p}}), \sin(2\phi_{\mathbf{p}}))$$

## Single layer Graphene

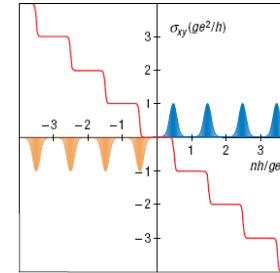
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} \simeq v_F \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pi \\ \pi^{\dagger} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = v_F |\mathbf{p}| \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{n}_{\mathbf{p}} \quad \hat{n}_{\mathbf{p}} = (\cos(\phi_{\mathbf{p}}), \sin(\phi_{\mathbf{p}}))$$

MASSLESS CHIRAL

# Bilayer graphene

: Massive chiral particles

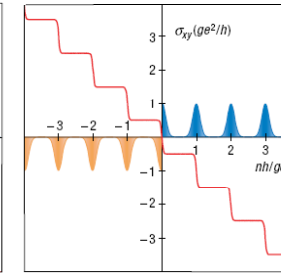
## Normal Metal



$$E_N = \hbar\omega_c \left(N + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = \pm \frac{4e^2}{h} N \quad (N \geq 0)$$

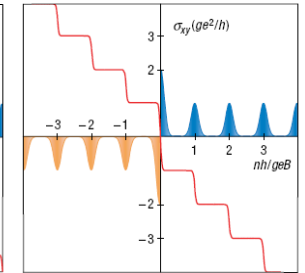
## Single layer Graphene



$$E_N = \pm \hbar\omega_c \sqrt{N}$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = \pm \frac{4e^2}{h} \left(N + \frac{1}{2}\right) \quad (N \geq 0)$$

## Bilayer Graphene

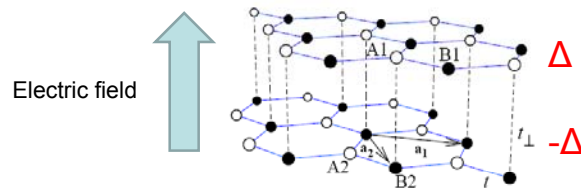


$$E_N = \pm \hbar\omega_c \sqrt{N(N-1)}$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = \pm \frac{4e^2}{h} N \quad (N \geq 1)$$

# Bilayer graphene

: Massive chiral particles

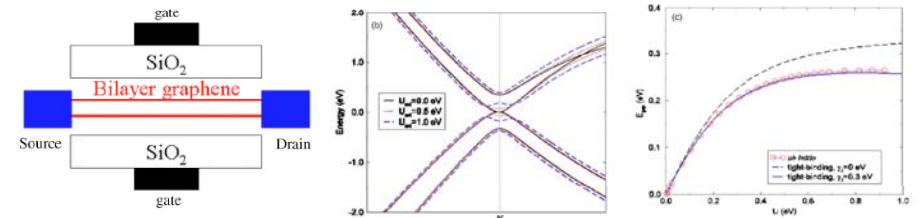


$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} \simeq \frac{v_F^2}{t_{\perp}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pi^2 \\ (\pi^{\dagger})^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \Delta & \eta\pi^2 \\ \eta(\pi^{\dagger})^2 & -\Delta \end{pmatrix} \quad \eta = \frac{t_{\parallel}^2 v_F^2}{\Delta^2 + t_{\perp}^2}$$

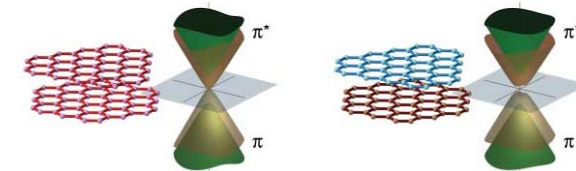
Transverse electric field can generate energy gaps in spectrum !!

# Bilayer graphene

- Energy gap under perpendicular electric field



Min, McDonald *et al*, PRB **75**, 155115 (2007)  
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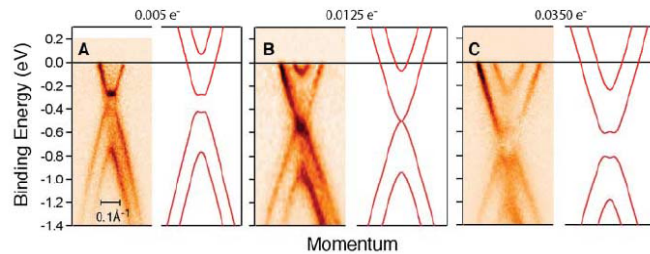
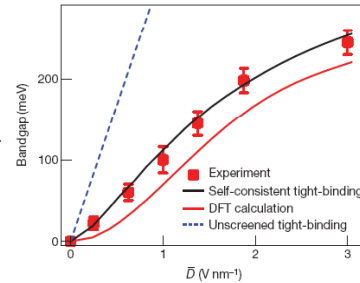


# Bilayer graphene

## - Energy gap under perpendicular electric field

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Zhang *et al*, Nature **459**, 820 (2009)  
T. Ohta *et al*, Science **313**, 951 (2006)



# Generalized Weyl Hamiltonian

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## - Relativistic invariance in two space dimensions

The most general Hamiltonian linear in the space  $\mathbf{k}=(k_x, k_y)$

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\mu=0, \dots, 3} \mathbf{v}_{\mu} \cdot \mathbf{k} \sigma^{\mu}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{\mu} = (v_{\mu}^x, v_{\mu}^y) \begin{cases} v_{\mu}^x = (v_0^x, \vec{v}^x) \equiv (v_0^x, v_1^x, v_2^x, v_3^x) \\ v_{\mu}^y = (v_0^y, \vec{v}^y) \equiv (v_0^y, v_1^y, v_2^y, v_3^y) \end{cases}$$

: 4 dimensional vectors in the SU(2) space

$$\sigma^{\mu} = (\sigma^0, \vec{\sigma}) \equiv (\mathbf{1}, \sigma^1, \sigma^2, \sigma^3)$$

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{H} = \mathbf{v}_0 \cdot \mathbf{k} \sigma^0 + (\vec{v}^x k_x + \vec{v}^y k_y) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

# Generalized Weyl Hamiltonian

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## - Relativistic invariance in two space dimensions

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathbf{v}_0 \cdot \mathbf{k} \sigma^0 + (\vec{v}^x k_x + \vec{v}^y k_y) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{If } \mathbf{v}_0 = \mathbf{v}_4 = \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v}_1 = (v_F, 0), \mathbf{v}_2 = (0, v_F) \\ \mathcal{H} \rightarrow v_F (k_x \sigma^1 + k_y \sigma^2) : \text{ideal graphene} \\ \text{If } \mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0} \text{ and rotation of 2D frame,} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{w}_0 \cdot \mathbf{q} \sigma^0 + w_x q_x \sigma^x + w_y q_y \sigma^y$$

: Minimal Weyl Hamiltonian

# Generalized Weyl Hamiltonian

- Relativistic invariance in two space dimensions

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathbf{w}_0 \cdot \mathbf{q}\sigma^0 + w_x q_x \sigma^x + w_y q_y \sigma^y$$

- Graphene Superlattices\*
- Graphene under uniaxial strains\*\*

$$\mathcal{H} = m\sigma^z + w_x q_x \sigma^x + w_y q_y \sigma^y$$

- Epitaxial graphene\*\*\*

\* Park, **Son et al**, Phys. Rev. Lett. **101**, 126804 (08)  
 \*\* Choi, Jhi, **Son**, submitted (09)  
 \*\*\* Kim, Ihm, Choi, **Son**, Phys. Rev. Lett. **100**, 176802 (08)  
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# Transport properties of graphene

- Superlattices: **neutrino crystal** ?

**THE QUEST FOR THE Superlens**

Built from "metamaterials" with bizarre, controversial optical properties, a superlens could produce images that include details finer than the wavelength of light that is used

By John B. Pendry and David R. Smith

**THE SUPERLENS**

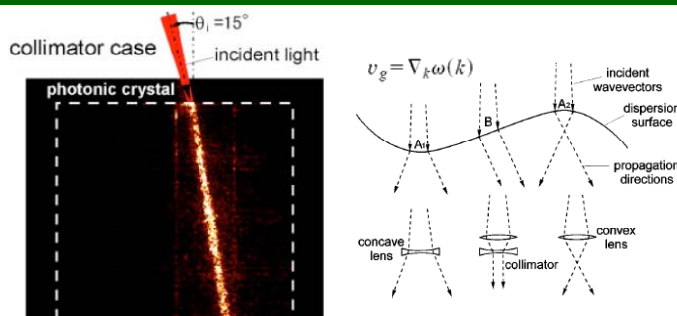
A rectangular slab of negative-index material forms a superlens. Light (yellow lines) from an object (or left) is refracted at the surface of the lens and comes together again to form a reversed image inside the slab. The light is refracted again on leaving the slab, producing a second image (or right). For some metamaterials, the image even includes details finer than the wavelength of light used, which is impossible with positive-index lenses.

Scientific American, July 2006, J. B. Pendry & D. R. Smith

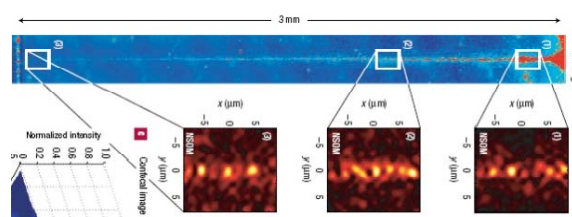
# Graphene Superlattice

- **Supercollimation in photonic crystals !**

NEC  
APL (99)



MIT  
Nature Mat (06)



# Graphene Superlattice

- Graphene superlens ?

## PERSPECTIVES

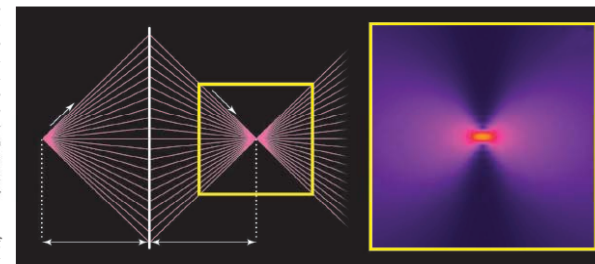
PHYSICS

### Negative Refraction for Electrons?

J. B. Pendry

The peculiar properties of graphene, which is neither semiconductor nor metal, may allow its electrons to be focused like light.

Chance or cleverness sometimes brings together two exciting research areas that otherwise would proceed along separate paths. In the world of optics, for example, researchers have been studying negative refraction, a phenomenon that allows "perfect" optical lenses (1, 2) that can focus light beams to extremely fine points. Condensed matter physicists, on the other hand, are unraveling the unusual properties of graphene, a material that consists of single sheets of carbon atoms (3). Now, a report by Cheianov *et al.* on page 1252 of this issue (4) combines these two areas in a potentially fruitful way. On the basis of theoretical results, the authors claim that the electron

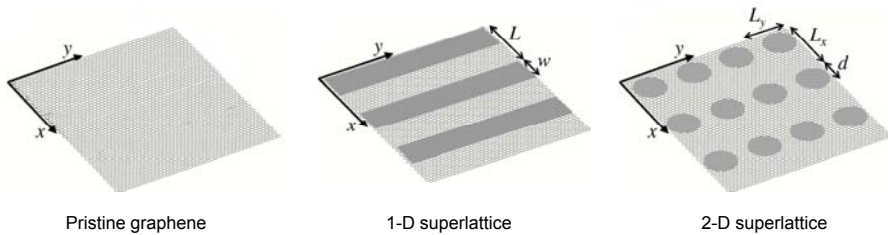


Focusing electrons. (Left) Veselago's lens: A negative refractive index medium ( $n = -1$ ) bends light to a negative angle relative to the surface normal. Light formerly diverging from a point source in the object plane is set in reverse and converges back to a point. (Right) Computer simulation of electron charge density on graphene showing similar focusing. [Adapted from (4)]

# Graphene Superlattice

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- Neutrino crystal (?)



Pristine graphene

1-D superlattice

2-D superlattice

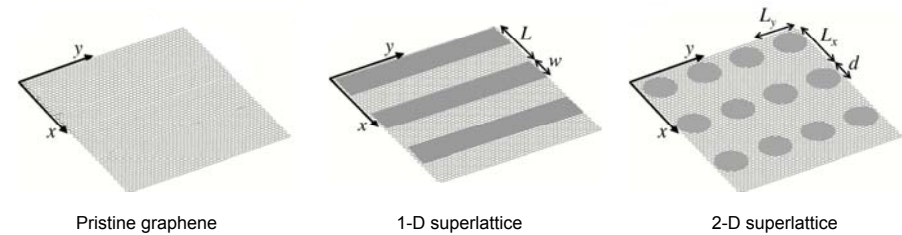
- Large scale ( $\gg d_{C-C}$ ) periodic potential imposed on pristine 2-D graphene
- Low energy effective Hamiltonian approach

Park, Son, Louie *et al*, Nature Phys (08)

# Graphene Superlattice

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- Anisotropy from periodicity



Pristine graphene

1-D superlattice

2-D superlattice

Park, Yang, Son *et al*, Nature Phys (08)

# Graphene Superlattice

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- Equations

$$\text{Scattering matrix: } \langle s, \mathbf{k} | U(\mathbf{r}) | s', \mathbf{k}' \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{G}} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + s s' e^{-i\theta_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}-\mathbf{G}}} \right) U(\mathbf{G}) \delta_{\mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k}-\mathbf{G}}$$

$$\text{Central secular equation: } (\varepsilon_{s, \mathbf{k}} = s \hbar v_0 k)$$

$$(E - \varepsilon_{s, \mathbf{k}}) c(s, \mathbf{k}) = \sum_{s', \mathbf{G}} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + s s' e^{-i\theta_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}-\mathbf{G}}} \right) U(\mathbf{G}) c(s', \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{G})$$

$\mathbf{G}$  : reciprocal vector for superlattice potential ( $\ll K_+, K_-$ )

$e^{-i\theta}$  : Angular dependent scattering matrix as a direct manifestation of chirality of electrons in graphene

# Graphene Superlattice

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- Equations

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1-D superlattice case with weak periodic potential :

$$\frac{v_{\hat{k}} - v_0}{v_0} = - \sum_{\mathbf{G} \neq 0} \frac{2|U(\mathbf{G})|^2}{v_0^2 |\mathbf{G}|^2} \sin^2 \theta_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{G}}$$

1-D weak K-P potential case:

$$\frac{v_{\hat{k}} - v_0}{v_0} = - \left\{ \frac{U_{1D}^2 L^2}{\pi^4 v_0^2} \sum_{n>0} \frac{1}{n^4} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi w}{L} n \right) \right\} \sin^2 \theta_{\mathbf{k}, \hat{x}}$$

# Graphene Superlattice

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## - Anisotropy from periodicity (details)

Pristine graphene  $H = \hbar v_F(\sigma_x p_x + \sigma_y p_y)$

1-D superlattice  $H = \hbar v_F(\sigma_x p_x + \sigma_y p_y + IV(x)/\hbar v_F)$   
 $H' = U_2^\dagger U_1^\dagger H U_1 U_2$   
 $\rightarrow H' = \hbar v_F(\sigma_x p_x + f_m \sigma_y p_y)$

$$U_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\frac{i\alpha(x)}{2}} & -e^{\frac{i\alpha(x)}{2}} \\ e^{\frac{i\alpha(x)}{2}} & e^{\frac{i\alpha(x)}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \quad U_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha(x) = 2 \int_0^x dx' V(x') / \hbar v_F$$

$$e^{-i\alpha(x)} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} f_m [V] e^{im G_0 x}$$

Park, **Son et al**, PRL (08)

# Transport properties of graphene

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## - Superlattices

Pristine graphene  $H = \hbar v_F(\sigma_x p_x + \sigma_y p_y)$

1-D superlattice  $H = \hbar(v_F \sigma_x p_x + v_{Fy} \sigma_y p_y)$

2-D superlattice  $H = \hbar(v_{Fx} \sigma_x p_x + v_{Fy} \sigma_y p_y)$

Dirac equation  $\longrightarrow$  Generalized Weyl's equation

Slowing down group velocity (eventually to zero)

Park, **Son et al**, Phys. Rev. Lett. (08,09), Nano Lett (08)

# Transport properties of graphene

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## - Superlattices

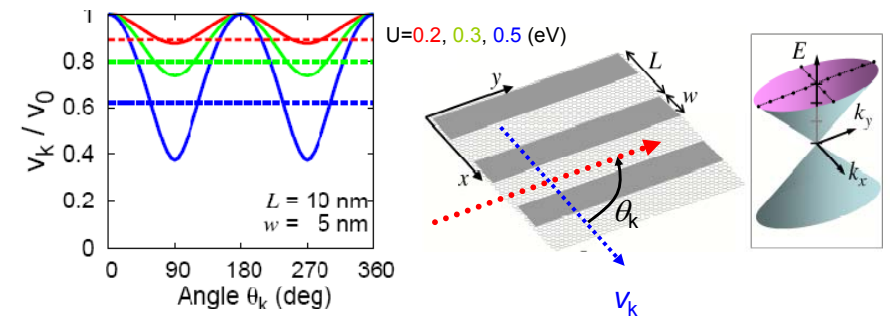
Velocity decreasing

Velocity does not change : Klein tunneling

# Graphene Superlattice

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## - Velocity renormalization under 1-D superlattice

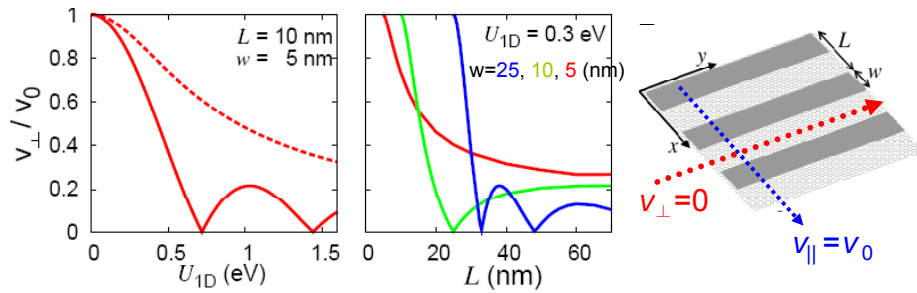


- Velocity across barrier is never reduced (Klein paradox)
- Velocity along barriers are strongly renormalized (reduced)
- Dirac cone is distorted to oblique shape in momentum space

Park, Son, Louie *et al*, Nature Phys (08)

# Graphene Superlattice

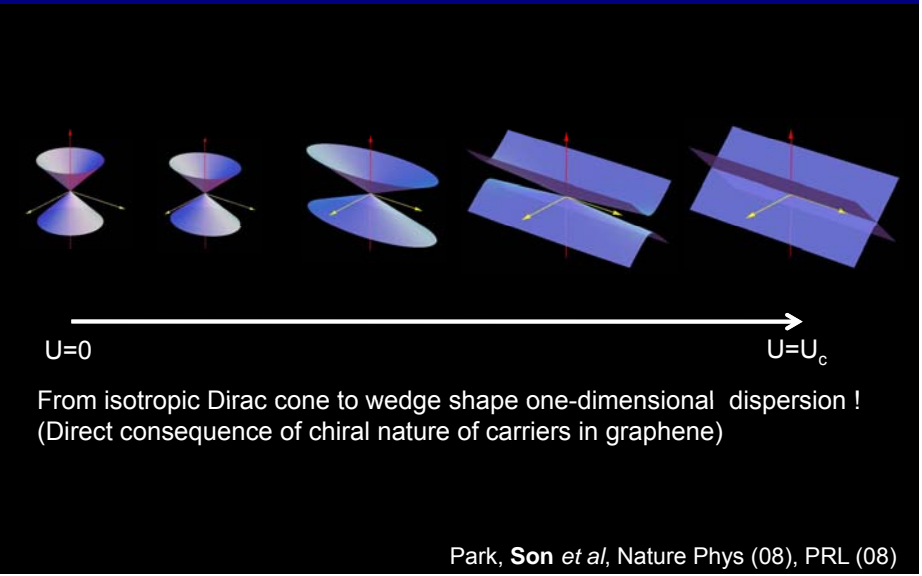
- Perfect zero velocity in one-direction



- For some critical U (or for some critical period L with fixed U), velocity along barriers is renormalized to **zero**
- Hence, we achieve one-dimensional graphene nanoribbons states without any cutting of sample

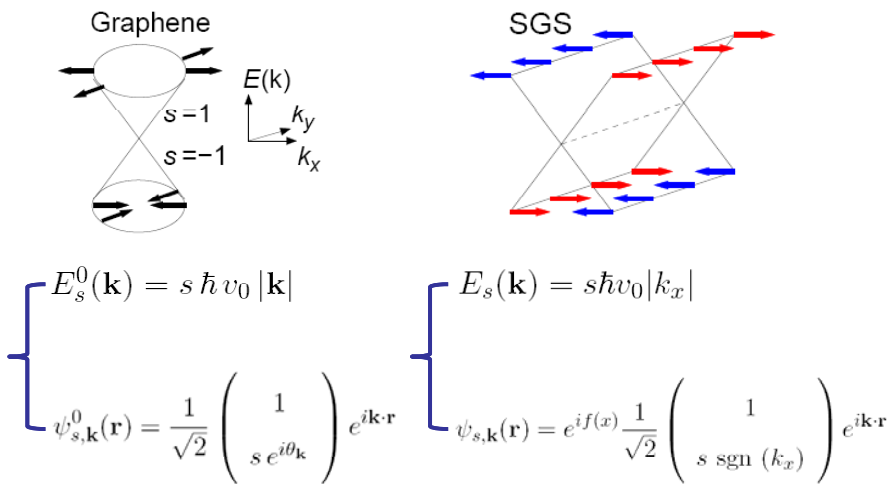
# Transport properties of graphene

- Superlattices



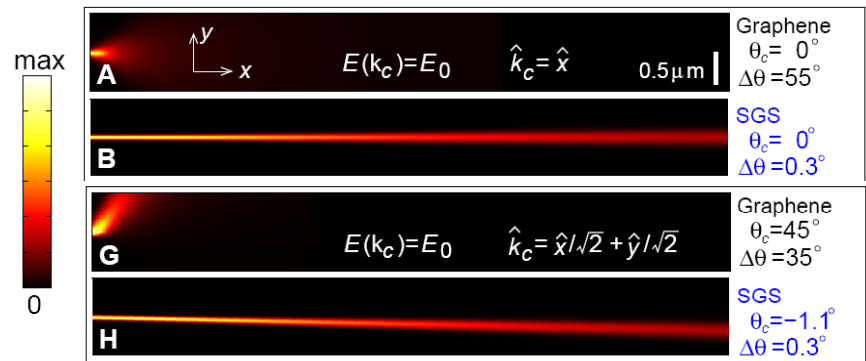
# Graphene Superlattice

- Collapse of chirality or helicity



# Graphene Superlattice

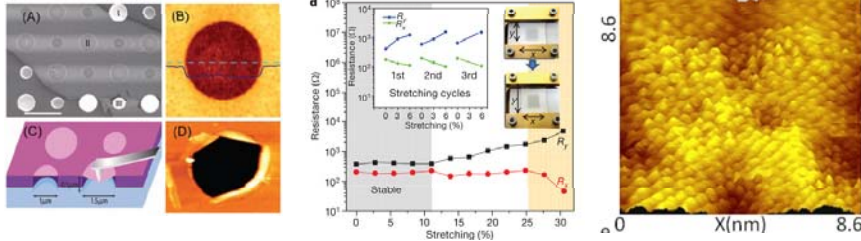
- Prediction of electron supercollimation



$$E(\mathbf{k}_c) = E_0 = \hbar v_0 0.1\pi/L = 0.02 \text{ eV}$$

- One directional propagation of electron wave packet with negligible spatial spreading (0.1 mm propagation with 500 nm spreading)
- Analogue to quantum Hall edge state ?
- Possible quantum interferometry

Graphene is the strongest material ever measured & the thinnest membrane ever created



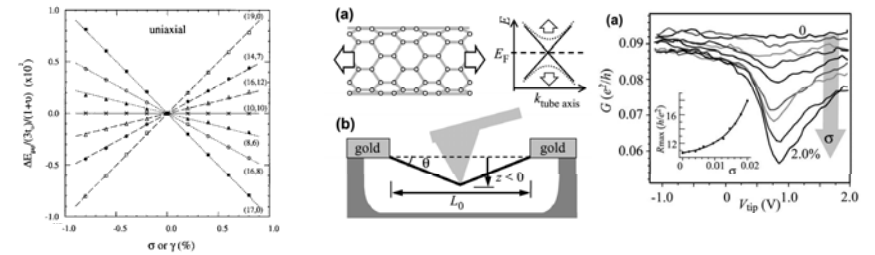
J. Hone, Science (2008)

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N.-C. Yeh, Nano Lett (2009)

- Strains can be applied intentionally or naturally

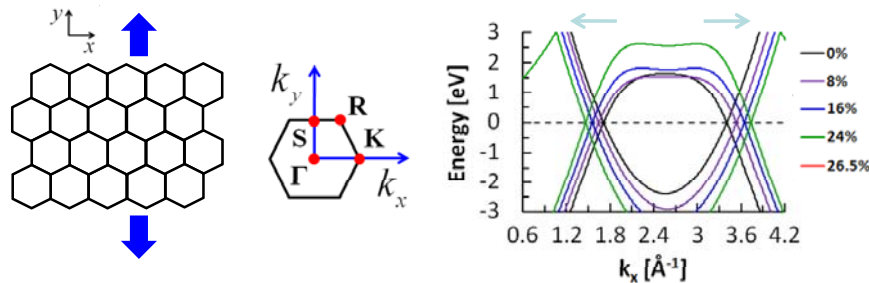
- Previous lessons from carbon nanotubes



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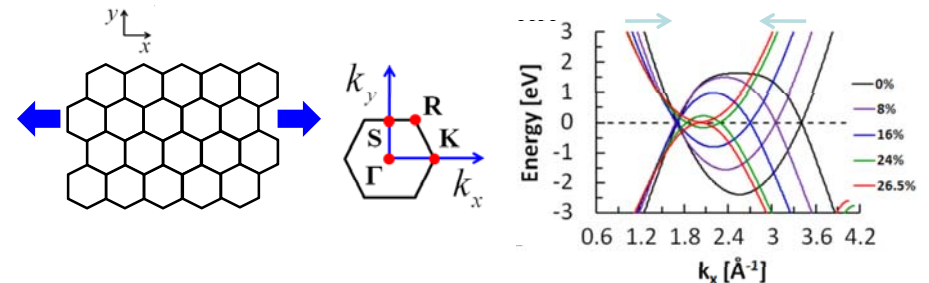
Strained carbon nanotubes: Metal-to-Semiconductor or Semiconductor-to-Metal transition depending on chiralities

- Electronic structures with strains from first-principles



- Strain along armchair direction (A-strain)
- No bandgap opening up to 26.5% strain
- Repulsion between K and K' points

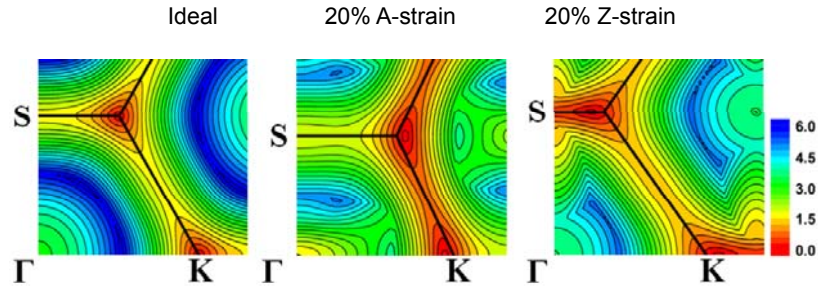
- Electronic structures with strains from first-principles



- Strain along zigzag direction (Z-strain)
- No bandgap opening up to 26.5% strain
- Merging two K points

# Strained graphene

- Energy contours



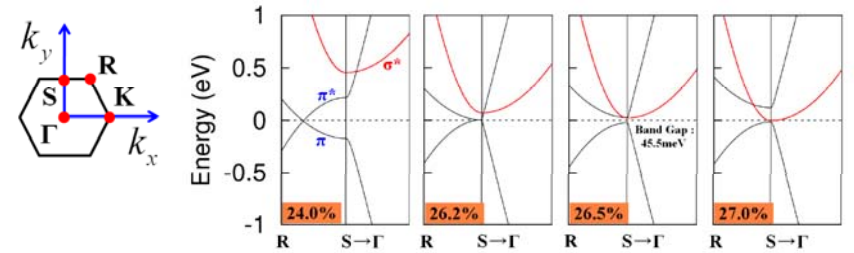
- Mismatch between Dirac points and high symmetric points in Brillouine zone (strain as **vector potential\***)

$$H = v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \longrightarrow H = v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{p} - \vec{A})$$

\* A. H. Castro Neto *et al*, RMP (09)  
F. Guinea *et al*, Nature Phys (09)

# Strained graphene

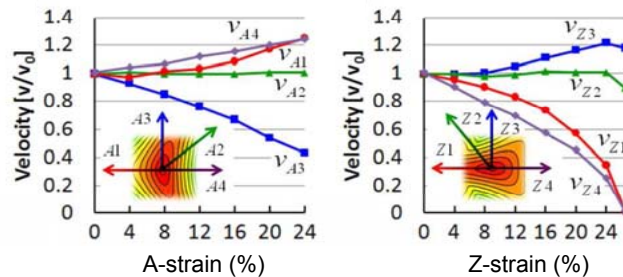
- Large magnitude of Z-strain



- Merging of Dirac points induce energy gaps with Z-strains
- Shiftdown of  $\sigma^*$ -bands toward to Fermi energy
- Very narrow window for gap in very high strains
- Coexistence of massive and massless electrons

# Strained graphene

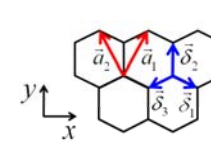
- Anisotropy in group velocity at Dirac point



- Increase** of velocity in direction perpendicular to strains : improvement of mobility?
- Quick decrease of velocity in direction parallel to strains
- $v_{A1} \neq v_{A4}$
- $v_{Z1} \neq v_{Z4}$

# Strained graphene

- Effective Hamiltonian 1



$$\mathcal{H} = -t_2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}} [\xi(\mathbf{k}) c_{A\mathbf{k}}^\dagger c_{B\mathbf{k}} + c.c.]$$

$$t_i \equiv t(\delta_i) \quad \xi(\mathbf{k}) = e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \delta_2} (1 + 2\eta e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{a}_y} \cos(t_x \mathbf{a}_x))$$

$$\eta \equiv t_1/t_2 = t_3/t_2 < 1 (> 1) \text{ for Z (A) strain}$$

Expanding  $\xi(\mathbf{k})$  around  $\mathbf{k}_D = \frac{1}{a_x} \cos^{-1}(-\frac{1}{2\eta})$

$$\xi(\mathbf{q}) = \xi(\mathbf{k}_D + \mathbf{q}_x, q_y) \simeq (4\eta^2 - 1)^{1/2} a_x q_x - i a_y q_y$$

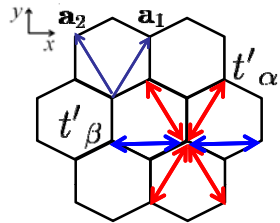
$$v_x = t_2 a_x (4\eta^2 - 1)^{1/2}, v_y = t_2 a_y$$

$$\longrightarrow \mathcal{H} \simeq v_x \sigma_x q_x + v_y \sigma_y q_y$$

Not sufficient for description of the results from first-principles calculations

# Strained graphene

- Effective Hamiltonian 2



Next nearest neighbor hopping  $t'$   
: quadratic ( $q^2$ ) order in ideal graphene but  
*linear* ( $q$ ) in strained graphene

$$t'_\alpha \equiv t'(\pm \mathbf{a}_1) = t'(\pm \mathbf{a}_2),$$

$$t'_\beta \equiv t'(\pm(\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{a}_2)),$$

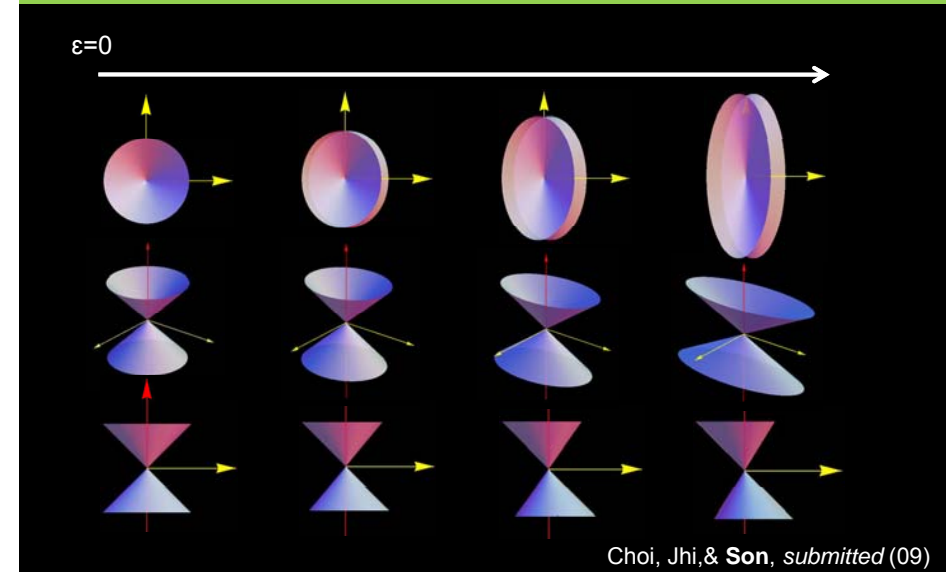
$$\chi \equiv t'_\beta/t'_\alpha < 1(> 1) \text{ for Z (A) strain}$$

$$\mathcal{H}' \simeq v'_x q_x \sigma_0$$

$$(v'_x = a_x t'_\alpha (1 - \chi/\eta) (4 - 1/\eta^2)^{1/2})$$

# Strained graphene

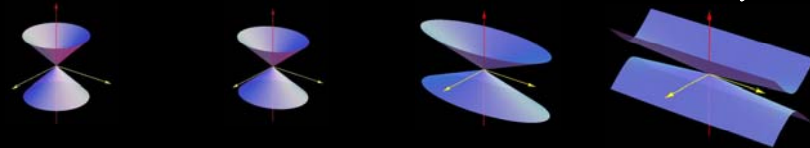
- Tilted anisotropic Dirac cones



# Generalized Weyl Hamiltonian

- Superlattice vs. Strains

U (superlattice potential)  $H = v_x \sigma_x p_x + v_y \sigma_y p_y$



Park, Son et al, Nature Phys(08); PRL(08,09)

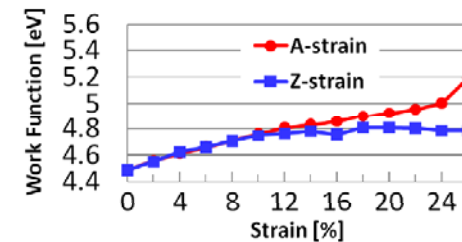
$\epsilon$  (magnitude of strain)  $H = v_x \sigma_x p_x + v_y \sigma_y p_y + v'_x \sigma_0 p_x$



Choi, Jhi, Son, submitted (09)

# Strained graphene

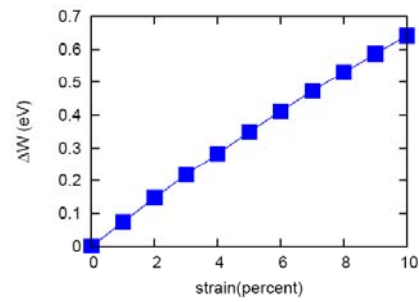
- Work functions



- Increasing work function as increasing *uniaxial homogeneous strain* (strain as scalar potential)
- With very large strain, work function differs depending on the direction of strains
- Controlled charge transfer between impurities (metal) and graphene by strain ?

## Strained graphene

### - Work functions



- *Isotropic* strain : (almost) linear increase of work function
- Strain is equivalent to effective 'scalar potential'

Choi, Jhi, Son, *submitted*

## Strained graphene

### - Effective Hamiltonian

Effective Hamiltonian for ideal graphene

$$H = v_F(\sigma_1 p_1 + \sigma_2 p_2)$$



Effective Hamiltonian for strained graphene

$$H = \sum_{\alpha=0,1,2} v_{\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha} (p_{\alpha} - A_{\alpha}) + \phi_{st}$$

No energy gap for any homogeneous strains