

Graphene, electronic properties and transport (L Levitov)

----- Lecture I -----

Background, brief history. Electronic properties overview

- a) gate-tunable mobility
- b) strong magnetic fields, QHE
- c) locally gated systems, p-n junctions

I Massless Dirac fermions in D=2

1. Carbon 0D, 1D, 2D, 3D
2. Electron spectrum of carbon monolayer
 - a) tight-binding model
 - b) Dirac model at K, K' points
 - c) smaller effects: trigonal warping; spin-orbital coupling
3. Carbon monolayer in magnetic field:
 - a) Relativistic Landau levels;
 - b) Experimental tests

II Dirac particles in external fields

4. Chiral dynamics in p-n junctions
 - a) Klein tunneling, collimated transmission
 - b) Interband tunneling, Landau-Zener transitions, Bloch-Zener tunneling
5. Confinement problem
 - a) quasi-stationary states, finite lifetime
 - b) graphene quantum dots (experiment)
6. Dirac electron in crossed E and B fields
 - a) The electric and magnetic regimes;
 - b) Collapse of Landau levels
 - c) Tunneling in B field

----- Lecture II -----

III Between 2D and 1D: from flatland to edge-land, dream-land and pipe-land

7. Graphene boundary
 - a) Structure: zigzag, armchair, etc
 - b) Surface modes, tight-binding and Dirac models
 - c) STM spectroscopy
8. Valley transport
 - a)
 - b)
 - c)
9. Electron properties of carbon nanotubes
 - a) slice and roll
 - b) semiconducting and metallic NT (gaps and minigaps)

IV Graphene Quantum Hall effect

10. QHE basics:
 - a) Landau levels, disorder (integer QHE)
 - b) interactions (fractional QHE)
11. “Half-integer” QHE
 - a) Berry phase
 - b) field-theoretic anomaly
12. Edge states
 - a) Construction; 1D model for QHE edge transport
 - b) Nondissipative transport
 - c) Dissipative QHE near Dirac point
13. QHE in graphene bilayers

----- Lecture III -----

V Transport properties, interactions

14. Mobility vs density
 - a) Drude model
 - b) Coulomb scattering
15. Minimal conductivity
 - a)
 - b)
 - c)
16. Interaction effects
 - a) Fine structure constant
 - b) Renormalization of self-energy and vertex
 - c) RG flow

VI Supercritical Coulomb impurities

17. Relativistic fall-down in QED
 - a) atomic collapse, quasiclassical ($Z > 137$,)
 - b) QM: $Z > 170$ (overview)
18. Quasi-Rydberg states at $Q > 1/2$
 - a) Bohr-Sommerfeld analysis
 - b) Complex energies, Klein confinement
 - c) Scattering phases
19. Polarization breakdown at $Q > 1/2$
 - a) Screening and Vacuum polarization
 - b) Friedel sum rule argument, log-divergence for noninteracting particles
 - c) RG for screening cloud
 - d) Thomas-Fermi approach