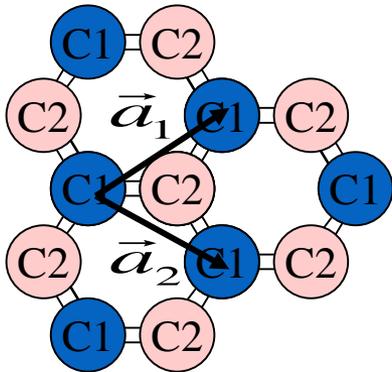
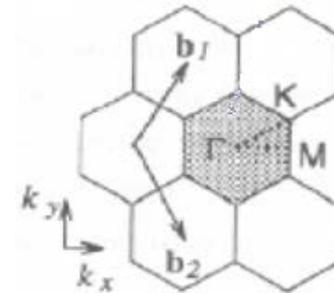


# Graphene



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Two atoms per unit cell

Graphene has an unusual dispersion relation in the vicinity of the Fermi energy.

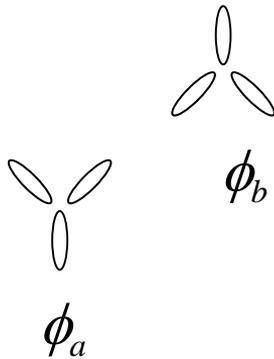
# 2 carbon atoms / unit cell

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The standard guess for the wave function in the tight binding model is

$$\psi_k = \sum_{j,l} \exp\left(i\left(j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{a}_1 + l\vec{k} \cdot \vec{a}_2\right)\right) \left(c_a \phi_{p_z a}(\vec{r} - j\vec{a}_1 - l\vec{a}_2) + c_b \phi_{p_z b}(\vec{r} - j\vec{a}_1 - l\vec{a}_2)\right)$$

For graphene, the valence orbitals are  $p_z$  orbitals



Substitute this wave function into the Schrödinger equation

$$H\psi_k = E\psi_k$$

## 2 carbon atoms / unit cell

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$$H\psi_k = E\psi_k$$

Multiply by  $\phi_{p_z a}^*(\vec{r})$  and integrate

the orbital for the atom at  $j = 0, l = 0$ .

$$c_a \langle \phi_a | H | \phi_a \rangle + c_b \langle \phi_a | H | \phi_b \rangle \sum_m e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} + \text{small terms}$$

$$= E \left( c_a \langle \phi_a | \phi_a \rangle + c_b \langle \phi_a | \phi_b \rangle \sum_m e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} + \text{small terms} \right)$$

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$m$  sums over the nearest neighbors

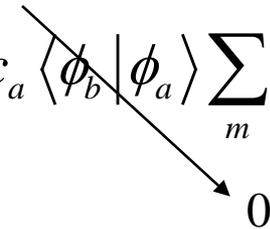
## 2 carbon atoms / unit cell

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To get a second equation for  $c_a$  and  $c_b$

Multiply  $H\psi_k = E\psi_k$  by  $\phi_{p_z b}^*(\vec{r})$  and integrate  
  
 the orbital for the atom at  $j=0, l=0$ .

$$c_a \langle \phi_b | H | \phi_a \rangle \sum_m e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} + c_b \langle \phi_b | H | \phi_b \rangle + \text{small terms}$$

$$= E \left( c_a \langle \phi_b | \phi_a \rangle \sum_m e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} + c_b \langle \phi_b | \phi_b \rangle + \text{small terms} \right)$$



Write as a matrix equation

# Tight binding graphene

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \langle \phi_a | H | \phi_a \rangle - E & \langle \phi_a | H | \phi_b \rangle \sum_m e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} \\ \langle \phi_b | H | \phi_a \rangle \sum_m e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} & \langle \phi_b | H | \phi_b \rangle - E \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_a \\ c_b \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$m$  sums over the nearest neighbors.

There will be two eigen energies for every  $k$ .

$N$  orbitals / unit cell results in  $N$  bands

$$\varepsilon = \langle \phi_a | H | \phi_a \rangle$$

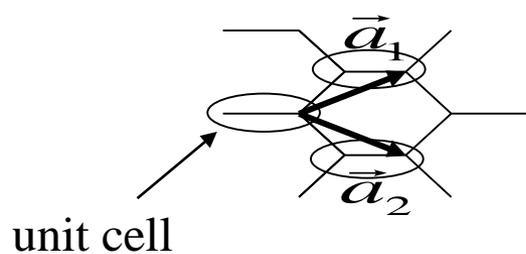
$$t = -\langle \phi_a | H | \phi_b \rangle$$

# Tight binding graphene

$$\begin{vmatrix} \varepsilon - E & -t \sum_m e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} \\ -t \sum_m e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} & \varepsilon - E \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\sum_m e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\rho}_m} = \left( 1 + \exp \left( i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} + \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) + \exp \left( i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} - \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) \right)$$

$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{a}_1$                        $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{a}_2$



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There will be two eigen energies for every  $k$ .

# Solve for the dispersion relation

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$$\left| \begin{array}{cc} \varepsilon - E & -t \left( 1 + \exp \left( i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} - \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) + \exp \left( i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} + \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) \right) \\ -t \left( 1 + \exp \left( -i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} - \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) + \exp \left( -i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} + \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) \right) & \varepsilon - E \end{array} \right| = 0$$

$$(\varepsilon - E)^2 - t^2 \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 + \exp \left( i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} - \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) + \exp \left( i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} + \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) \\ + \exp \left( -i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} - \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) + 1 + \exp \left( -i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} - \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) + i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} + \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) \\ + \exp \left( -i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} + \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) + \exp \left( -i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} + \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) + i \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} - \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) + 1 \end{array} \right) = 0$$

# Graphene dispersion relation

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$$(\varepsilon - E)^2 - t^2 \left( 3 + 2 \cos \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} - \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) + 2 \cos \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} + \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) + 2 \cos(k_y a) \right) = 0$$

$$\cos(a + b) = \cos a \cos b - \sin a \sin b$$

$$\cos(a - b) = \cos a \cos b + \sin a \sin b$$

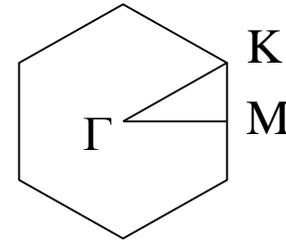
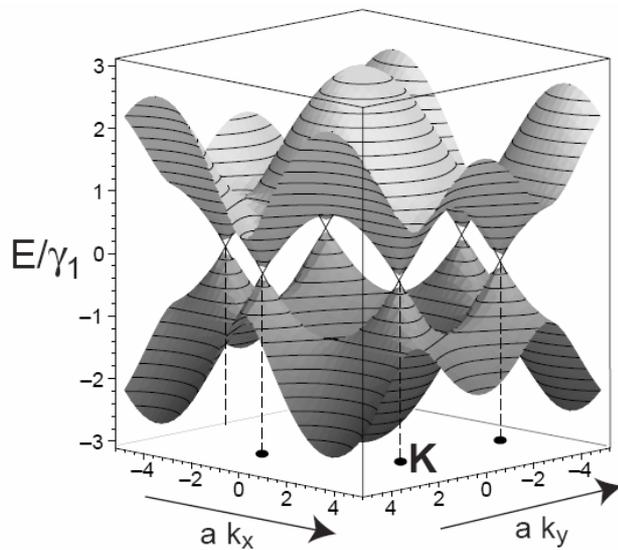
$$\cos 2a = 2 \cos^2 a - 1$$

$$(\varepsilon - E)^2 - t^2 \left( 1 + 4 \cos \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} \right) \cos \left( \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) + 4 \cos^2 \left( \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) \right) = 0$$

$$E = \varepsilon \pm t \sqrt{1 + 4 \cos \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2} \right) \cos \left( \frac{k_y a}{2} \right) + 4 \cos^2 \left( \frac{k_y a}{2} \right)}$$

# Tight binding, graphene

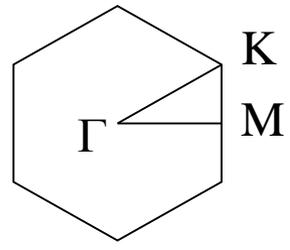
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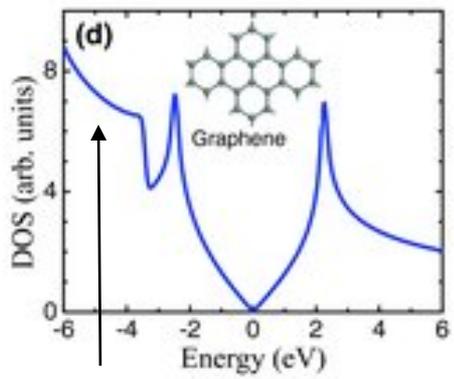
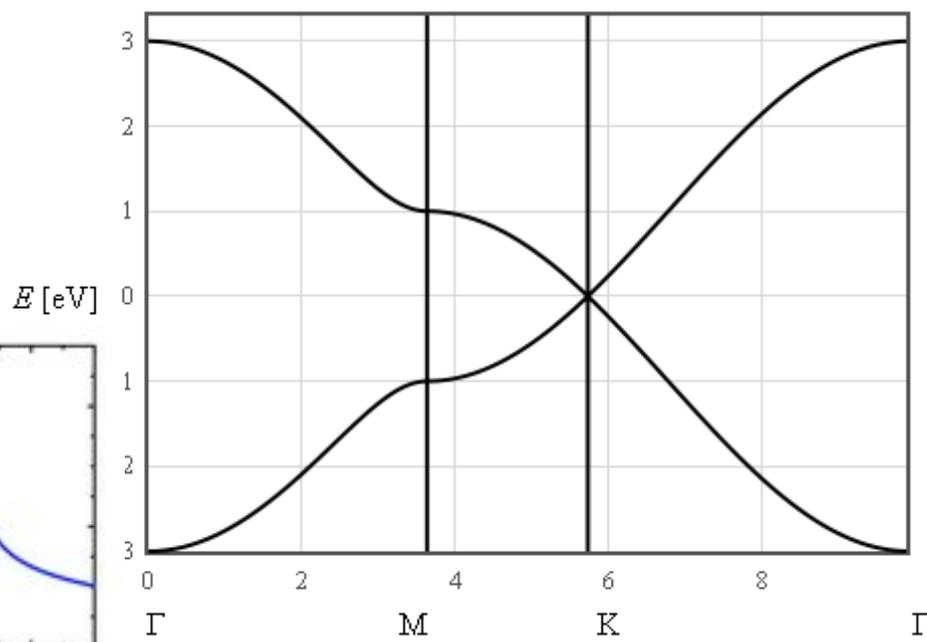
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# Tight binding dispersion relation for graphene

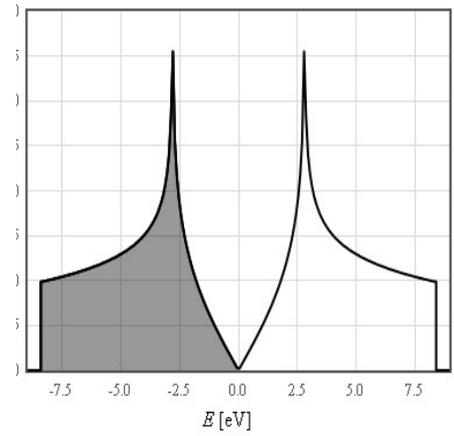
$$E = \epsilon \pm t \sqrt{1 + 4 \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{k_y a}{2}\right) + 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{k_y a}{2}\right)}$$



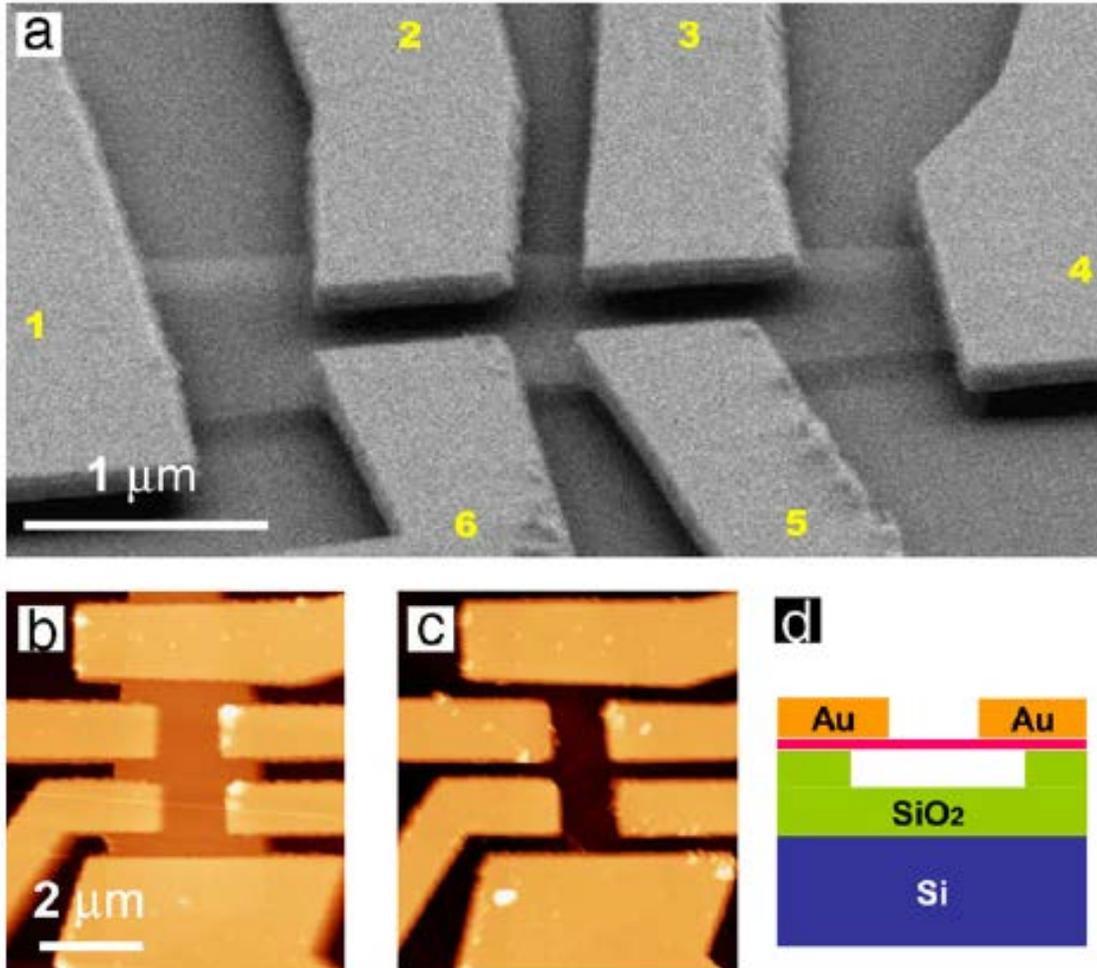
$\epsilon = 0$  [eV]  
 $t = 2.8$  [eV]  
Replot E(k)



Another band is included here.



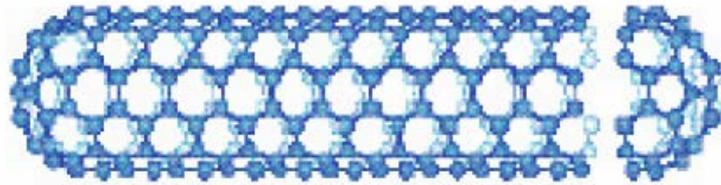
# Graphene



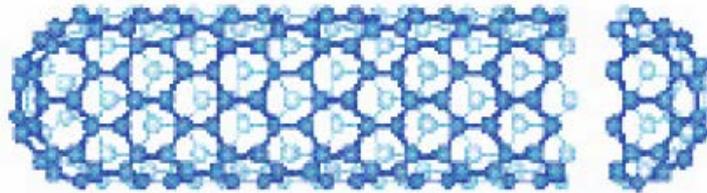
Mobility:  $200000 \text{ cm}^2 / \text{V s}$  suspended,  $\sim 20000 \text{ cm}^2 / \text{V s}$  otherwise

# Carbon nanotubes - rolled up graphene

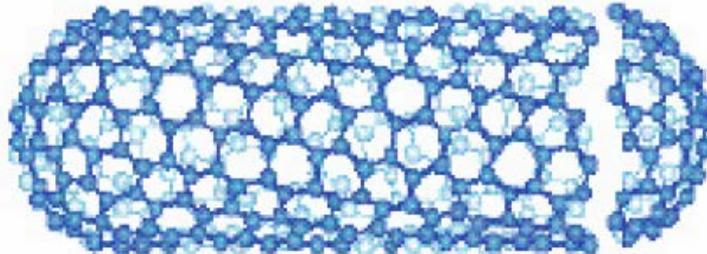
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armchair



zig-zag

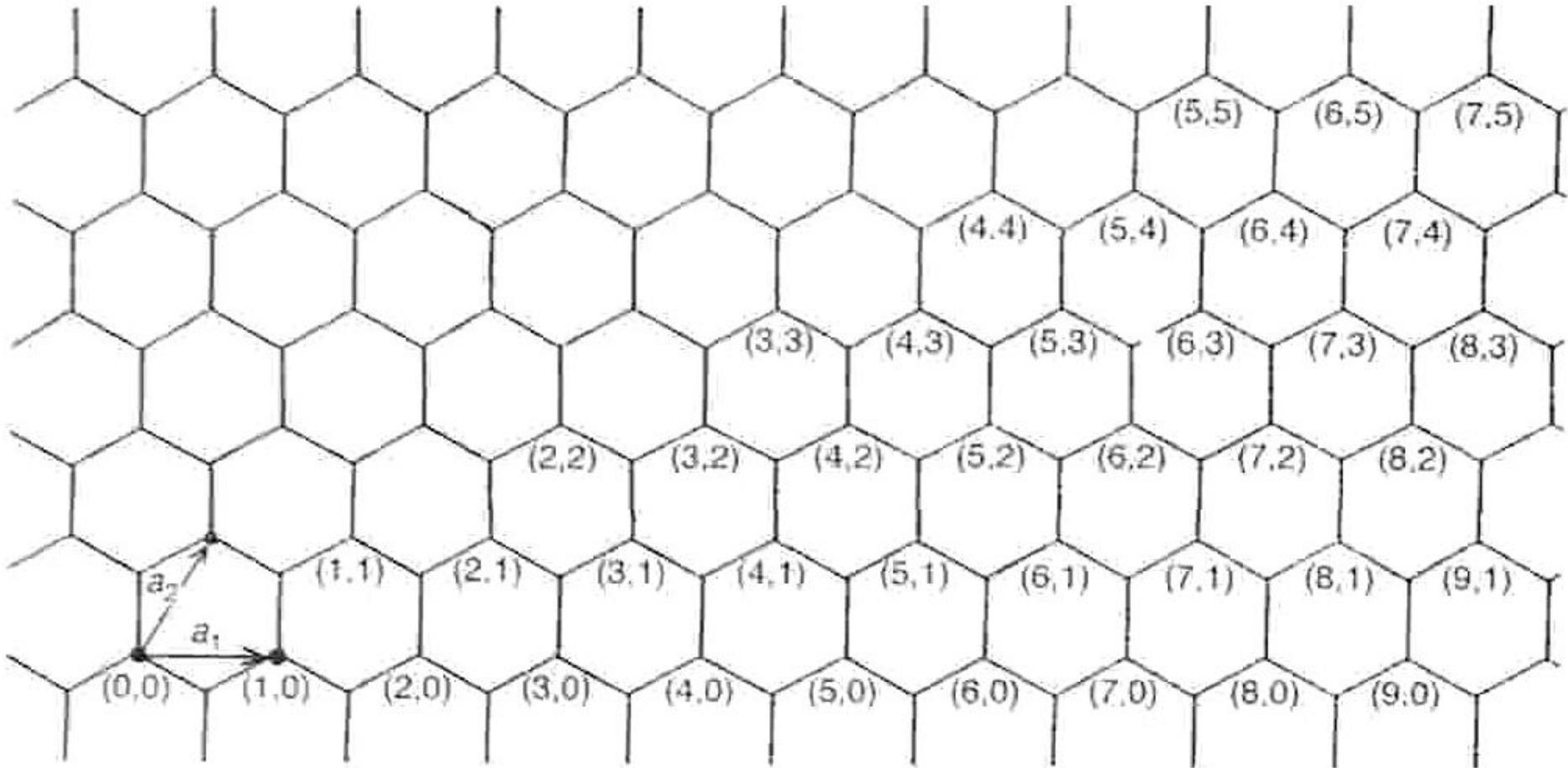


chiral

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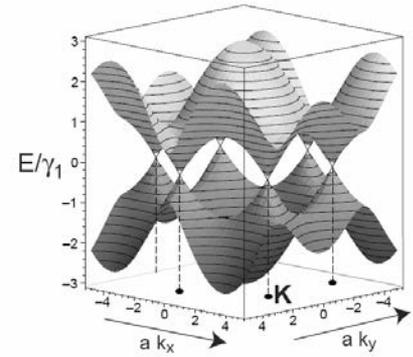
# $(m,n)$ notation

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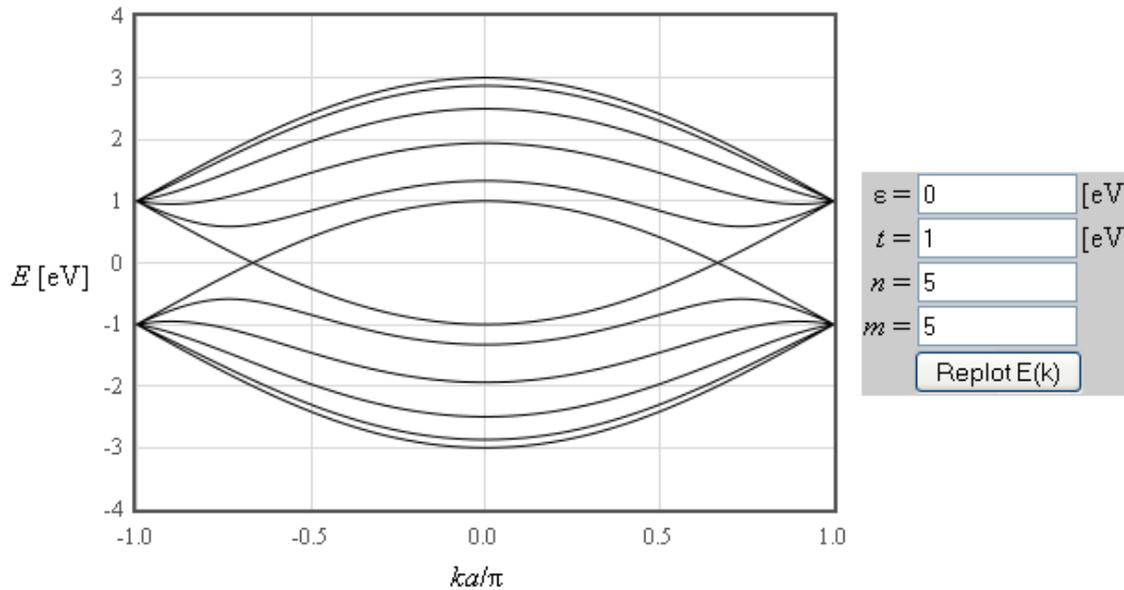


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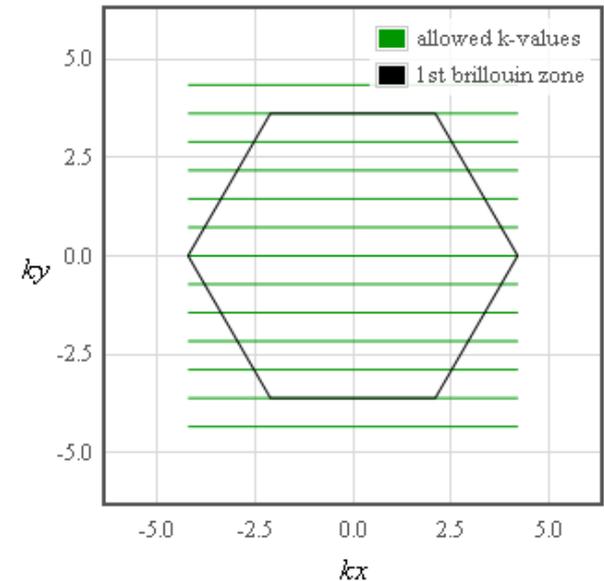
# Carbon nanotubes



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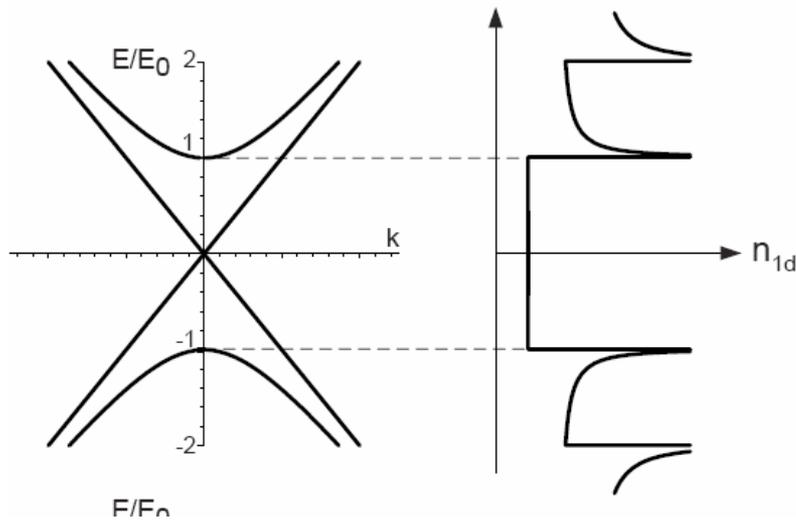


metallic (5,5) armchair tube

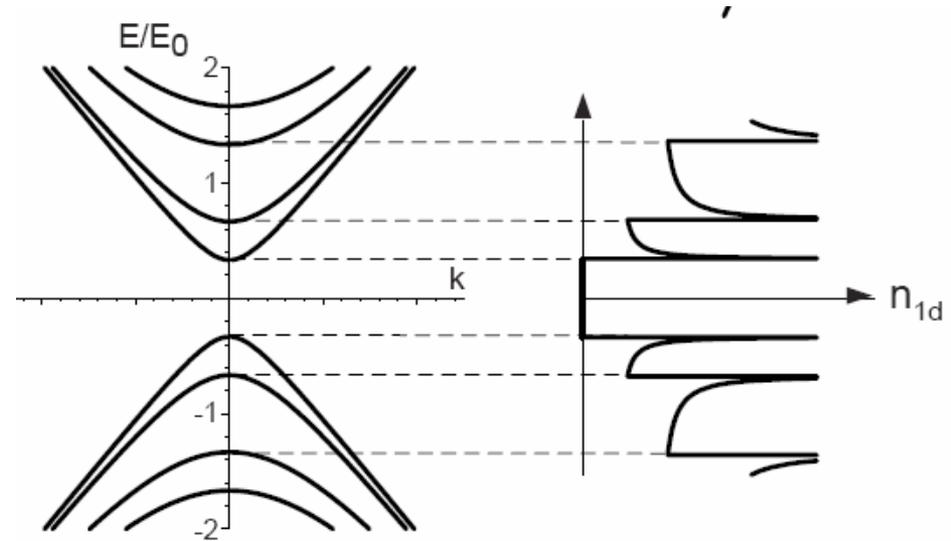


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# Carbon nanotubes



metallic  $m - n = 3Z$



semiconducting