

# Quantum transport in graphene

## L1 Disordered graphene (G)

graphene 101

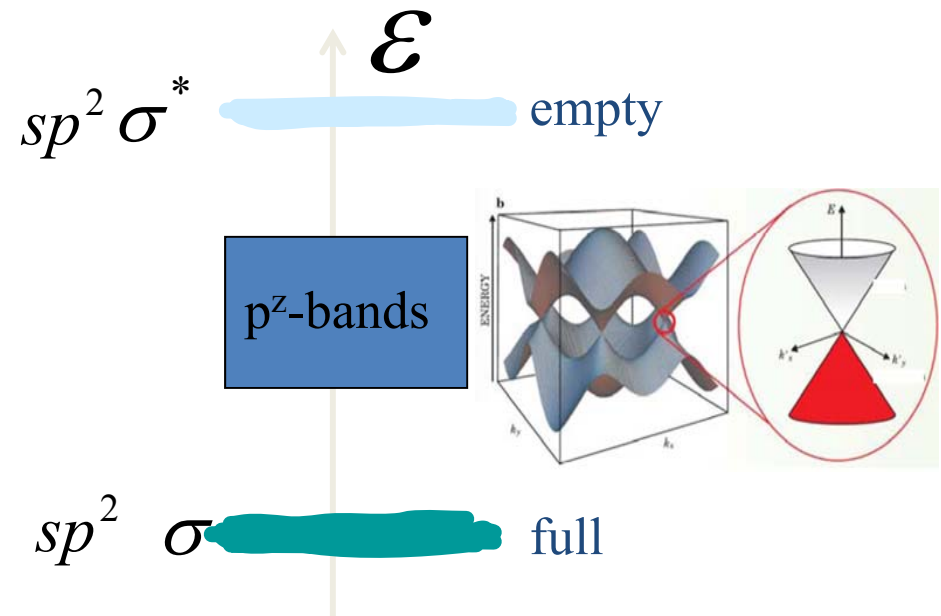
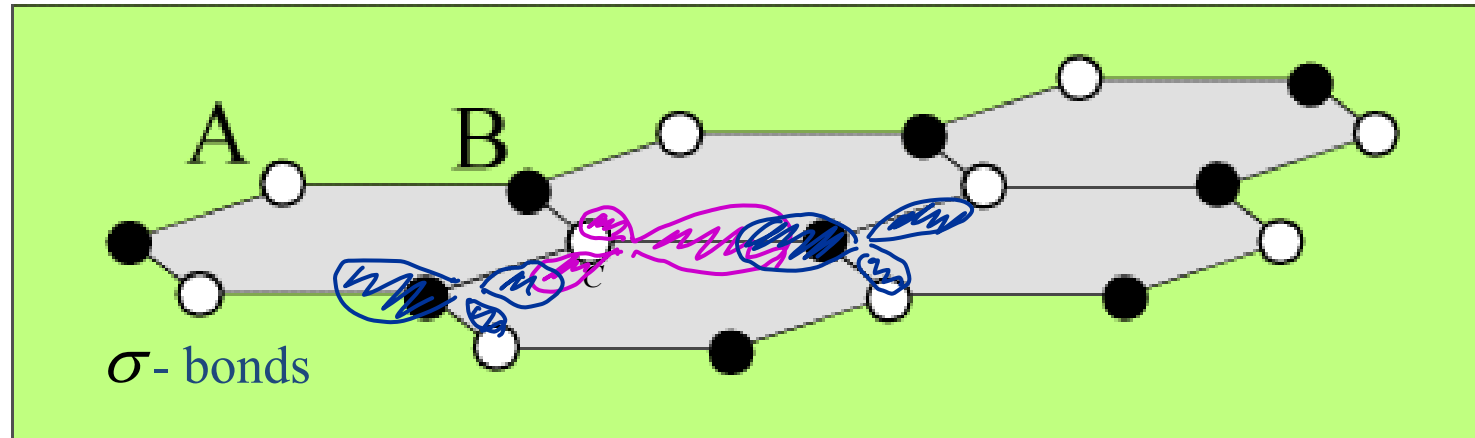
QHE in G and quantum resistance standard

weak localisation regimes in graphene

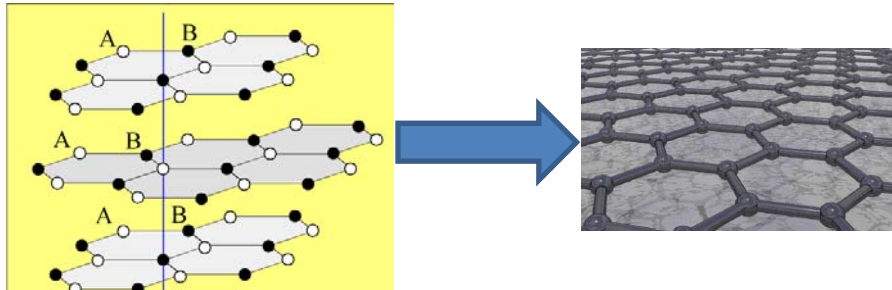
## L2 Ballistic electrons in graphene

## L3 Moiré superlattice effects in G/hBN heterostructures

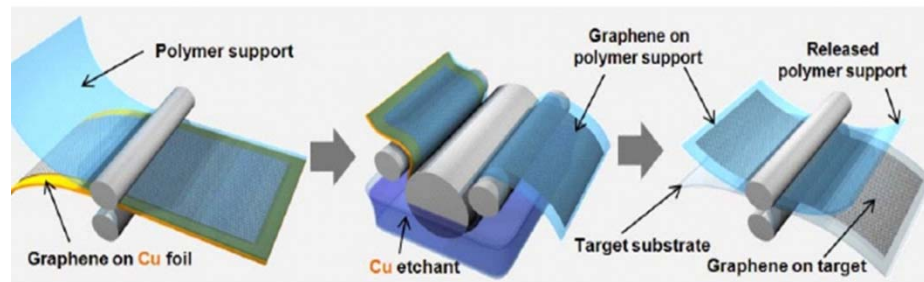
$sp^2$  hybridisation forms strong directed covalent bonds between carbons (at  $120^\circ$ ) which determine the honeycomb lattice structure



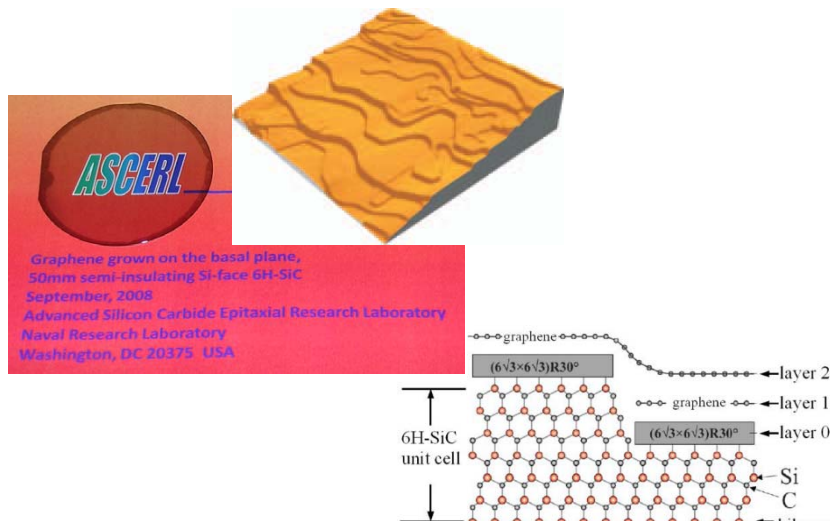
# Graphenes



Exfoliated from bulk graphite onto a substrate, or hanged suspended (highest quality G/hBN in L2, L3)



Grown using chemical vapor deposition (CVD) on metals (Cu, Ni), or insulators: polycrystalline and strained



Epitaxial graphene sublimated on Si-terminated surface of SiC: wafer-scale single-crystalline carpet

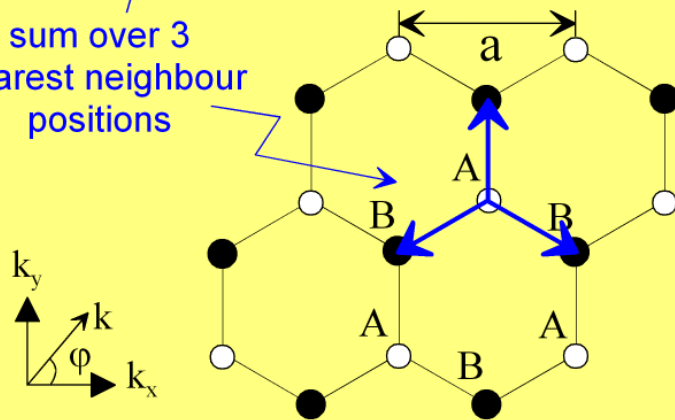
Wallace, Phys. Rev. 71, 622 (1947)  
 Slonczewski, Weiss, Phys. Rev. 109, 272 (1958)

### Transfer integral on a hexagonal lattice

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$$\mathcal{H}_{AB} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{R}_A} \sum_{\mathbf{R}_B} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R}_B - \mathbf{R}_A)} \underbrace{\langle \phi_A(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_A) | H | \phi_B(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_B) \rangle}_{\gamma_0}$$

sum over 3  
nearest neighbour  
positions



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### Tight binding model of a monolayer

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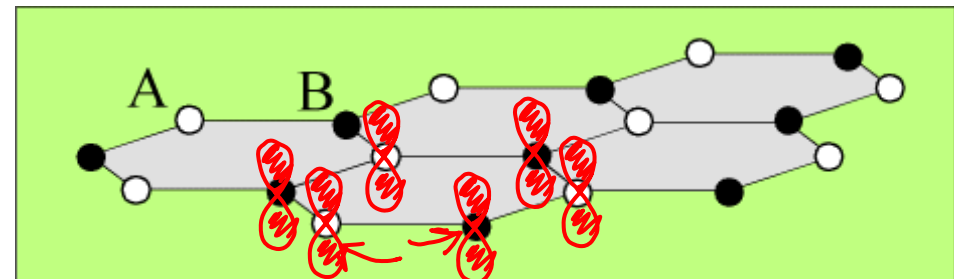
sum over N atomic positions

$j^{\text{th}}$  atomic orbital:  $j = A$  or  $B$

Eigenfunction

$$\Psi_j(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^2 C_{ji}(\mathbf{k}) \Phi_i(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r})$$

Transfer integral matrix  $\mathcal{H}_{ij} = \langle \Phi_i | H | \Phi_j \rangle$



$$\gamma_0 \sim 3eV$$

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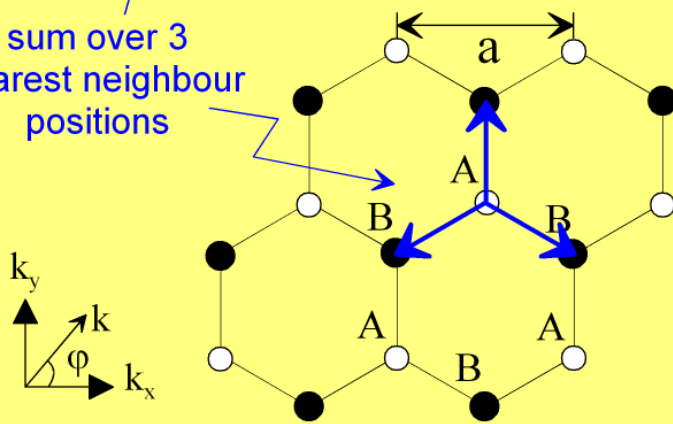
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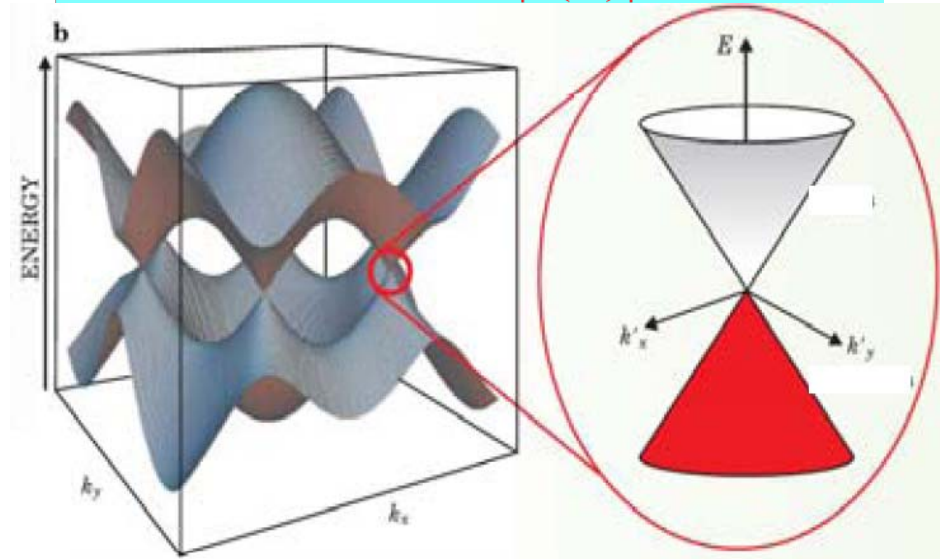
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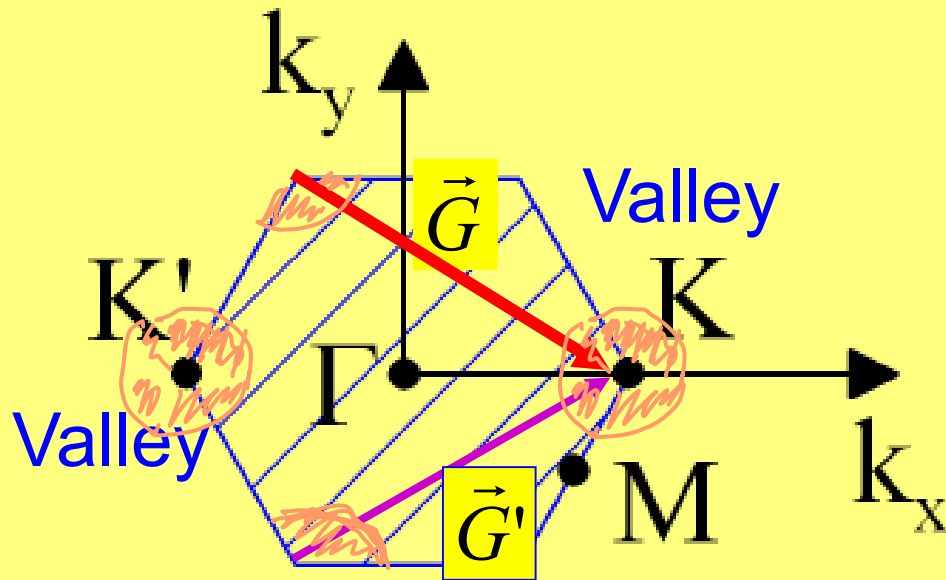
Overlap integral matrix  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & sf(\mathbf{k}) \\ sf^*(\mathbf{k}) & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Eigenvalue equation  $\mathcal{H}C_j = \epsilon_j S C_j$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\pm \gamma_0 |f(\mathbf{k})|}{1 \mp s |f(\mathbf{k})|}$$



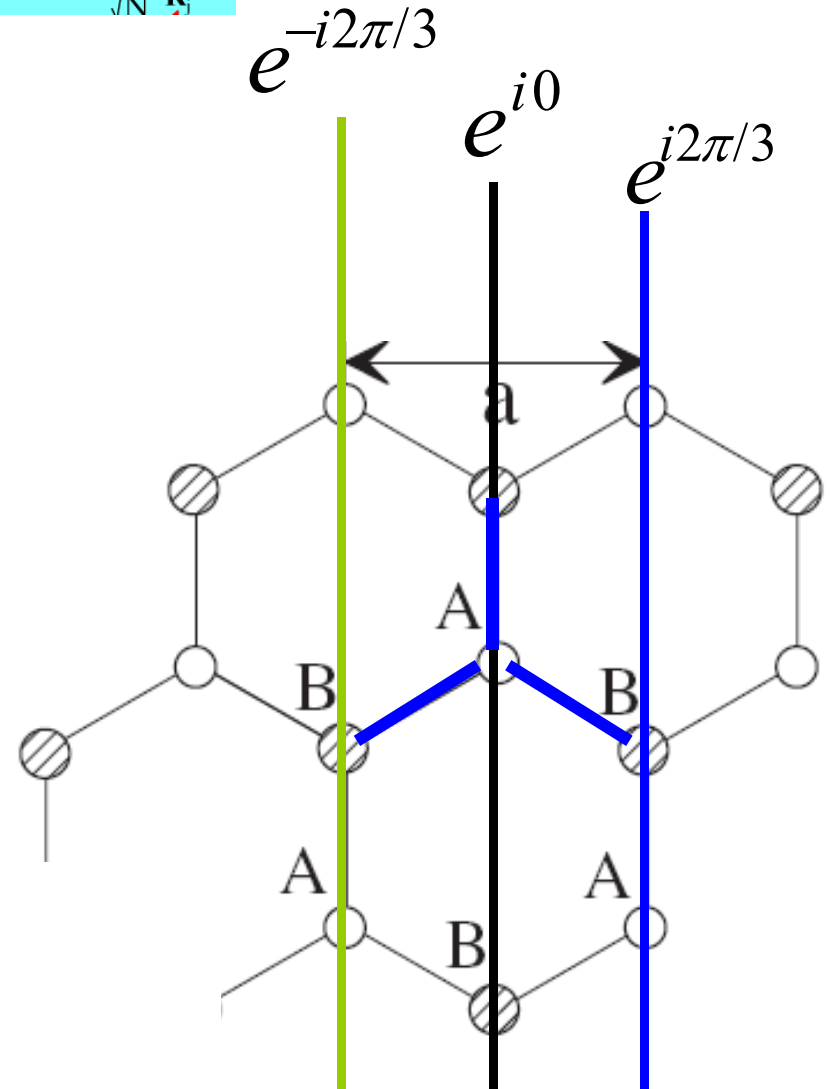
# First Brillouin zone



Two non-equivalent K-points

$$\Phi_j(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{\mathbf{R}_j} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}_j} \phi_i(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_j)$$

$$\sum_{\mathbf{R}_B} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R}_B - \mathbf{R}_A)} \underbrace{\langle \phi_A(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_A) | H | \phi_B(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_B) \rangle}_{\gamma_0}$$

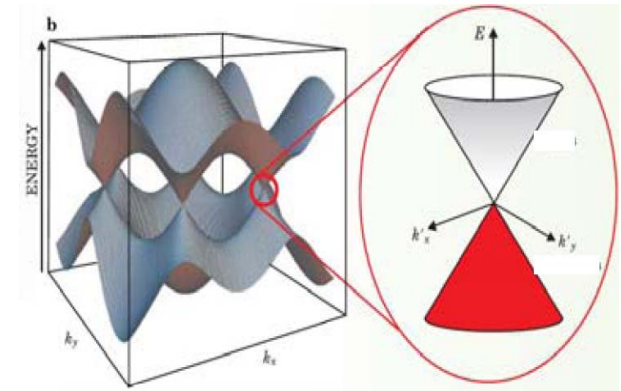
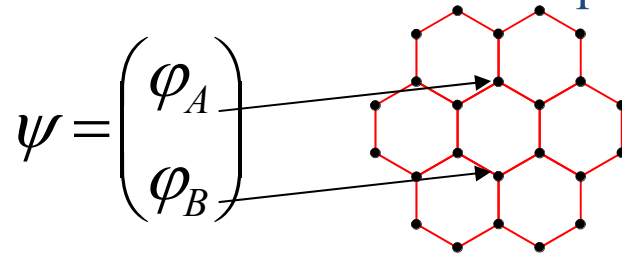


$$H_{AB,K} = -\gamma_0 \left[ e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{3}} e^{-i(\frac{a}{2}p_x + \frac{a}{2\sqrt{3}}p_y)} + e^{i\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}p_y} + e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}} e^{i(\frac{a}{2}p_x - \frac{a}{2\sqrt{3}}p_y)} \right]$$

$$\approx -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \gamma_0 a (p_x - ip_y)$$

$$H_{BA,K} \approx -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \gamma_0 a (p_x + ip_y)$$

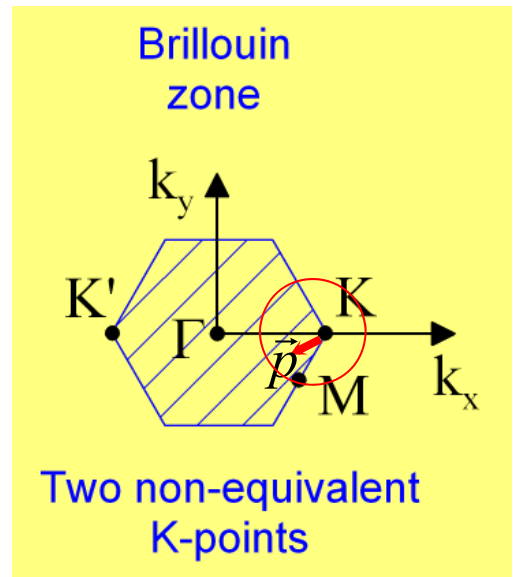
Bloch function amplitudes (e.g., in the valley K) on the AB sites ('isospin') mimic spin components of a massless relativistic particle.



$$\hat{H} = -v \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_x - ip_y \\ p_x + ip_y & 0 \end{pmatrix} = -v \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}$$

McClure, PR 104, 666 (1956)

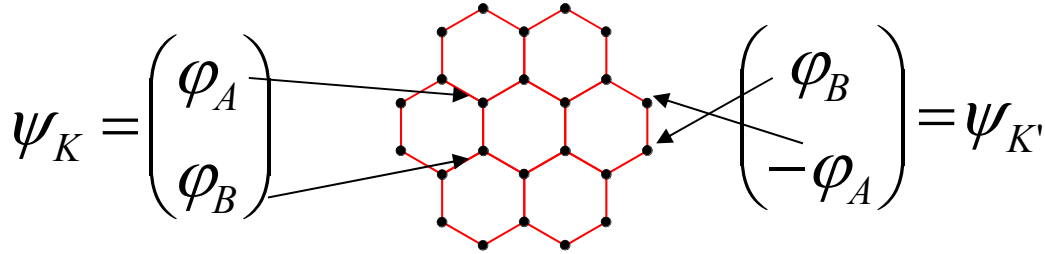
$$v = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \gamma_0 a \sim 10^8 \frac{cm}{sec}$$



$$H = v\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}$$

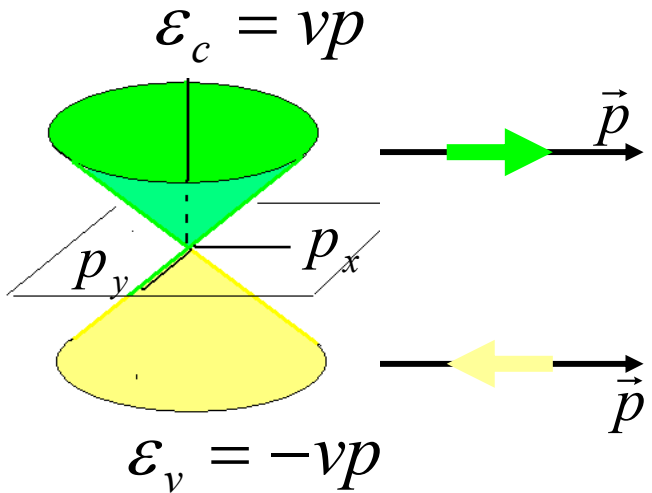
$$\vec{p} = (p \cos \vartheta, p \sin \vartheta)$$

Bloch function amplitudes on the A/B sites



Wave function.  
sublattice composition  
is linked to the axis  
determined by the  
electron momentum.

$$\psi_{\vec{p}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \pm e^{-i\vartheta} \end{pmatrix}$$



for conduction band  
electrons,

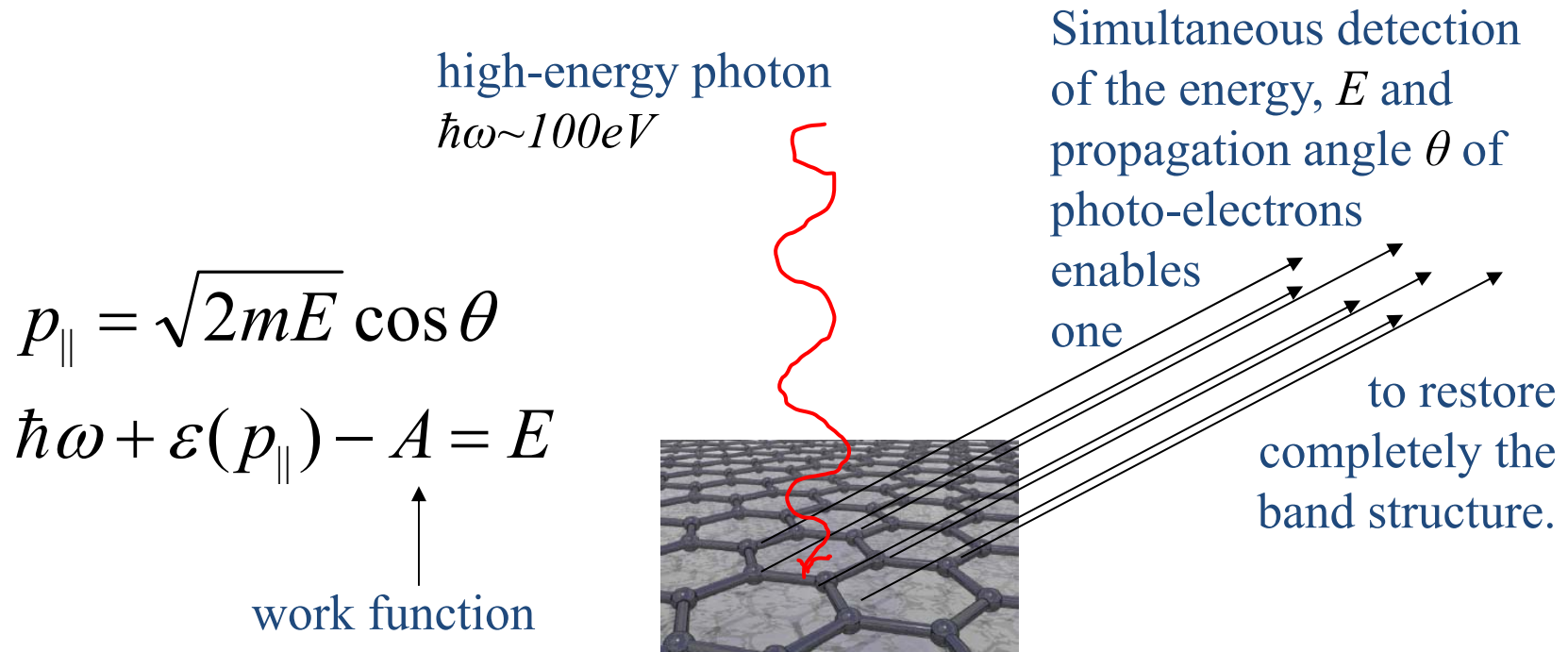
$$\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{n} = 1$$

$$\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{n} = -1$$

valence band ('holes')

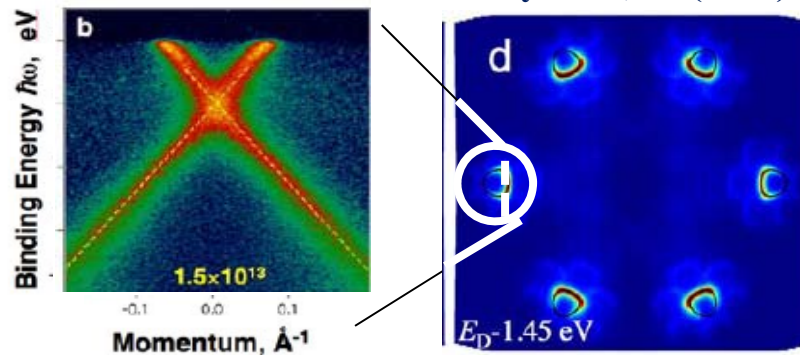


# Electronic states in graphene photographed using ARPES

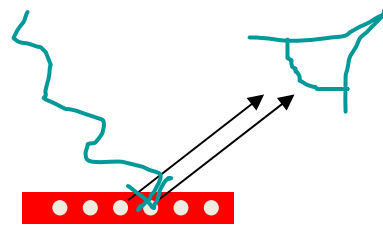
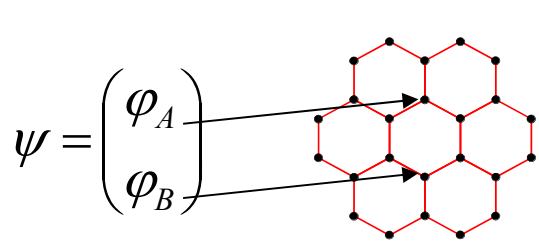


Angle-resolved photo-emission spectroscopy (ARPES) of heavily doped graphene synthesized on silicon carbide

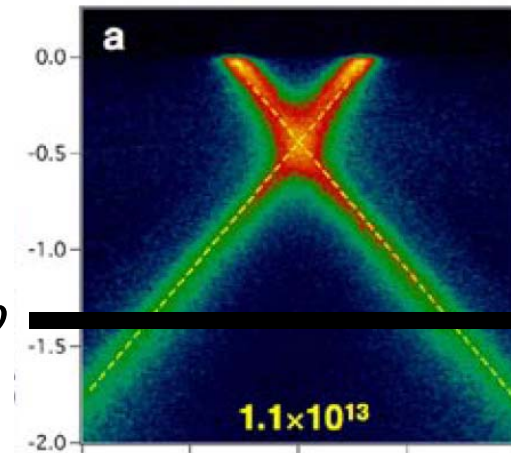
A. Bostwick *et al* – Nature Physics 3, 36 (2007)



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$$\varepsilon = -v\hbar p$$

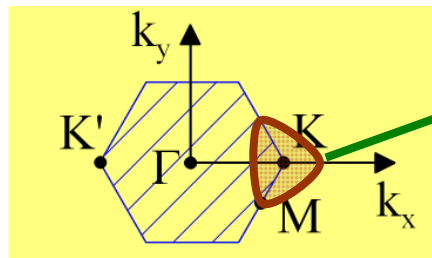
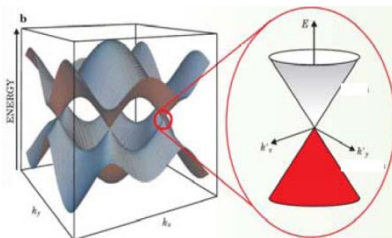
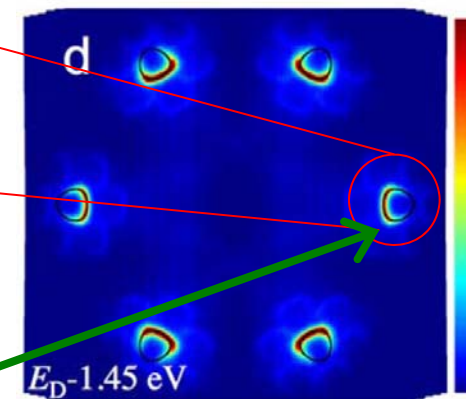


$$I_{ARPES} \sim |\varphi_A + \varphi_B|^2$$

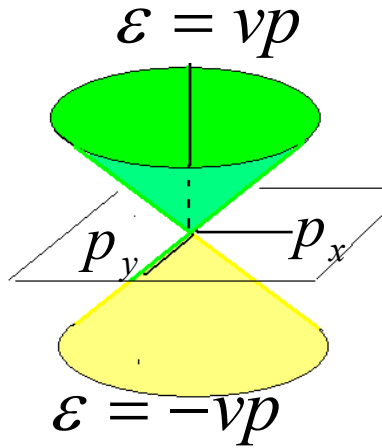
$$\sim \sin^2 \left( \frac{\vec{k} \cdot \vec{R}_{BA}}{2} + \frac{\vartheta}{2} \right)$$

$$\vec{k}_{\parallel} = \vec{G} \pm \vec{K} + \vec{p}$$

Mucha-Kruczynski, Tsypliyatyev, Grishin, McCann, Fal'ko, Boswick, Rotenberg - PRB 77, 195403 (2008)



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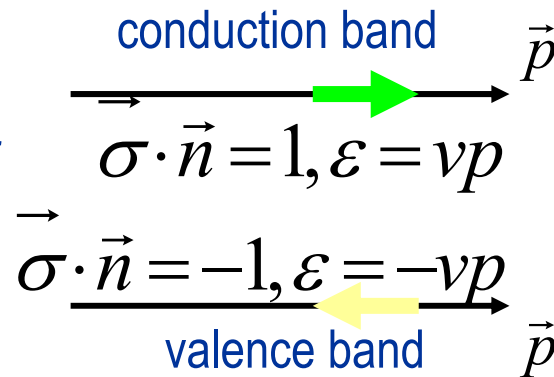
$$H = v \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pi^+ \\ \pi & 0 \end{pmatrix} = v \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}$$

$$\vec{p} = (p \cos \vartheta, p \sin \vartheta)$$

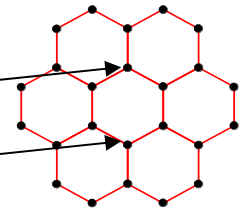
$$\pi = p_x + ip_y = p e^{i\vartheta}$$

$$\pi^+ = p_x - ip_y = p e^{-i\vartheta}$$

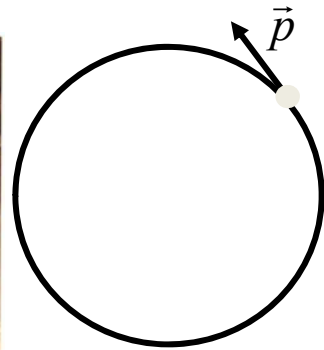
sublattice 'isospin'  $\vec{\sigma}$  is linked to the direction of the electron momentum



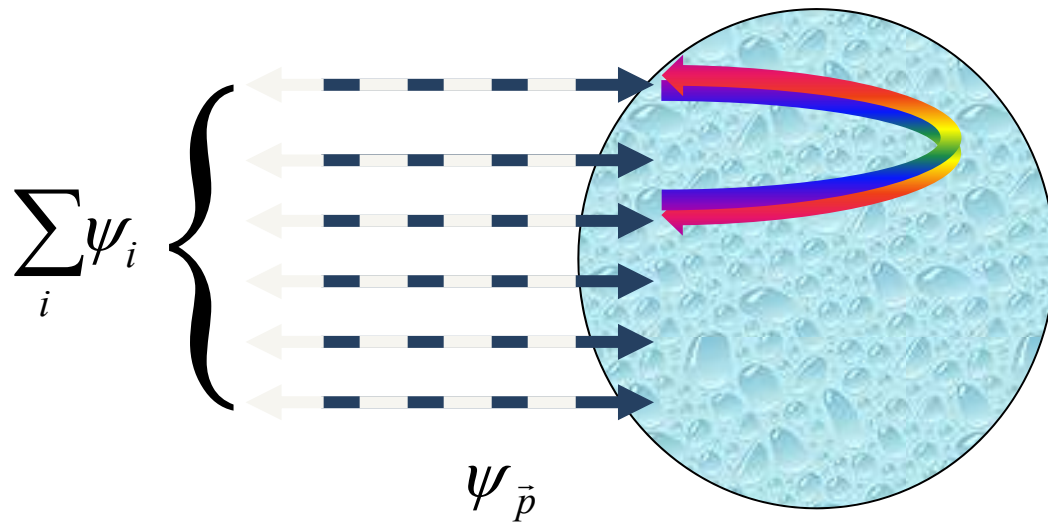
$$\psi_{\vec{p}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \pm e^{-i\vartheta} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$i \int_0^{2\pi} d\vartheta \psi^\dagger \frac{d}{d\vartheta} \psi = \pi$$



$$\psi \rightarrow e^{2\pi \frac{i}{2} \Sigma_3} \psi = e^{i\pi \Sigma_3} \psi = -\psi$$



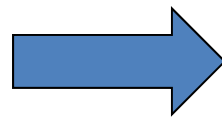
$$H = v \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} + \hat{1} \cdot U(x)$$

Simple A-B symmetric potential  
(smooth at the scale of lattice  
constant cannot scatter Berry phase  
 $\pi$  electrons in exactly backward  
direction.

$$w_{\vec{p} \rightarrow -\vec{p}} = \left| \sum_i \psi_i \right|^2 = \left| \sum_{(a,b)} [\psi_{a \rightarrow b} + \psi_{b \rightarrow a}] \right|^2 = \left| \sum_{(a,b)} 0 \right|^2 = 0$$

$$\psi_{a \rightarrow b} = A e^{i \frac{\pi}{2} \sigma_z} \psi_{\vec{p}}$$

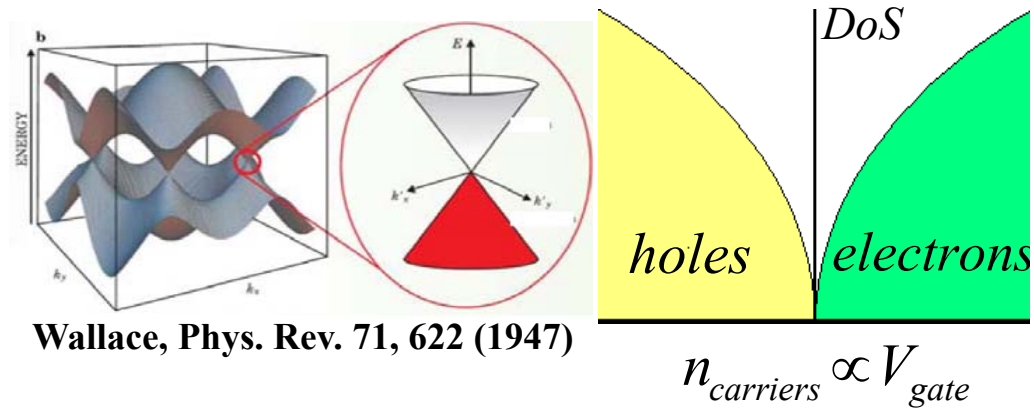
$$\psi_{b \rightarrow a} = A e^{i \frac{-\pi}{2} \sigma_z} \psi_{\vec{p}}$$



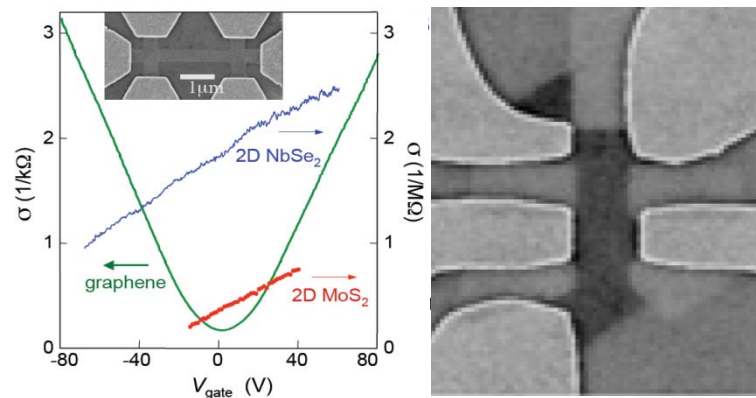
$$\psi_{a \rightarrow b} = e^{i \pi \sigma_z} \psi_{b \rightarrow a} = -\psi_{b \rightarrow a}$$

**'Unstoppable' Berry phase  $\pi$  electrons**

## Graphene: gapless semiconductor



## Graphene-based field-effect transistor: GraFET (bipolar)



Geim and Novoselov, Nature Mat. 6, 183 (2007)

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# 'relativistic' Landau levels

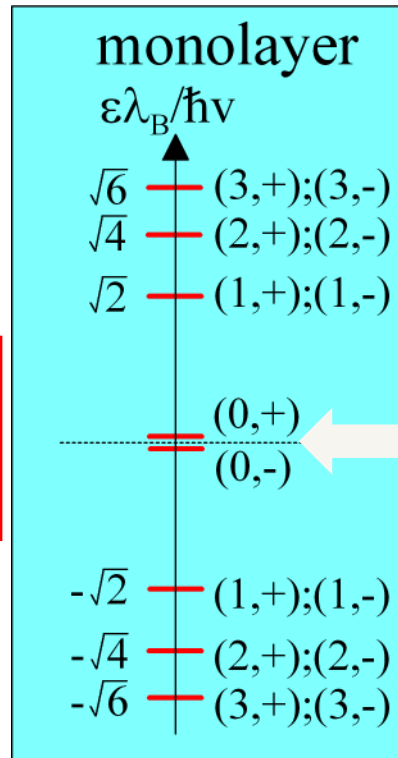
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$$\vec{p} = -i\hbar\vec{\nabla} - e\vec{A}$$

$$\pi = p_x + ip_y$$

$$\pi^+ = p_x - ip_y$$

$$v \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \pi^+ \\ \pi & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

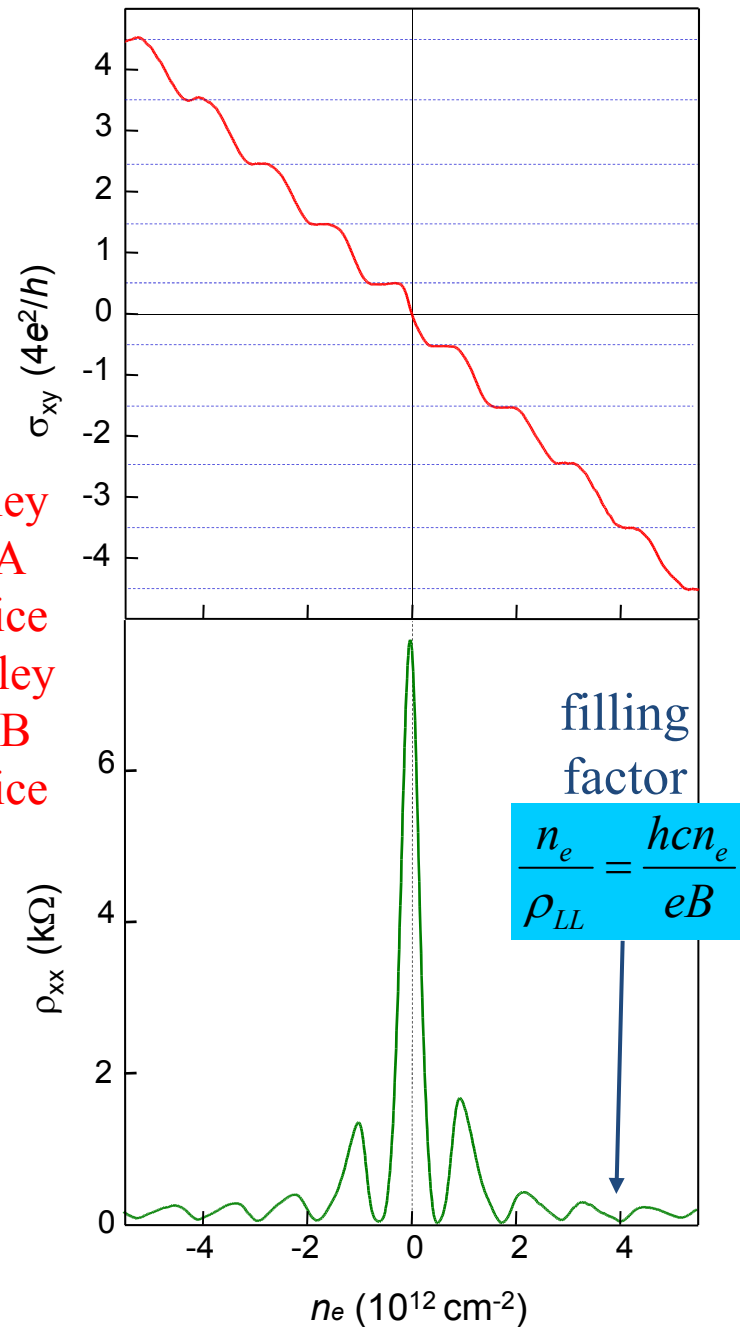


for valley  
 K on A  
 sublattice  
 and valley  
 K' on B  
 sublattice

$$\mathcal{E}_n^{c/v} = \pm\sqrt{2n} \frac{\hbar v}{\lambda_B}$$

$$v \sim 10^8 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$\lambda_B \equiv r_c^{(0)} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{eB}}$$



$$H = v(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

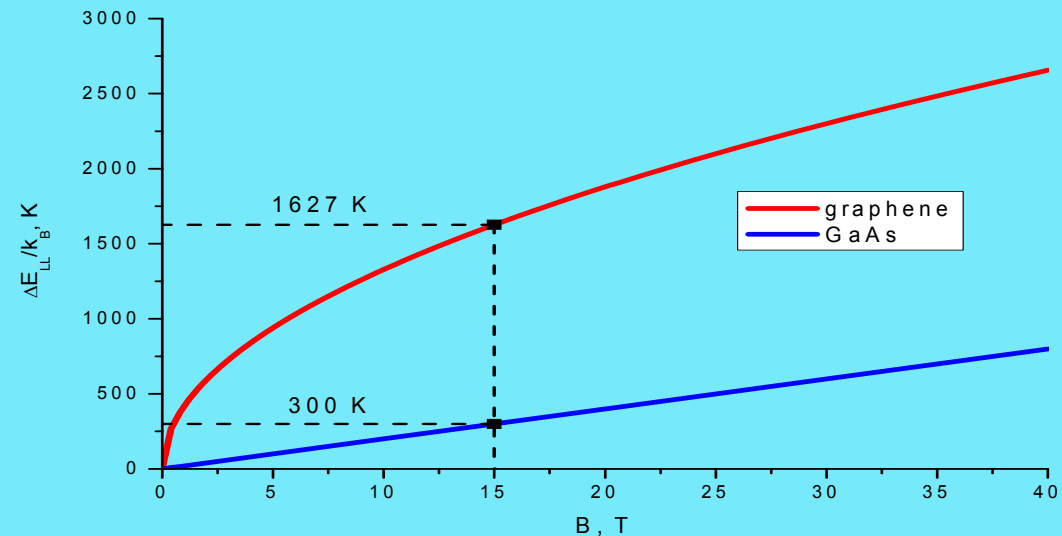
the largest gaps in  
the LL spectrum

with 4-fold degenerate  
Landau level

McClure - Phys. Rev. 104, 666 (1956)

$$\Delta_{\nu=2} = \sqrt{2} \frac{v}{\lambda_B}$$

Novoselov *et al.*, Science 315, 1379 (2007).



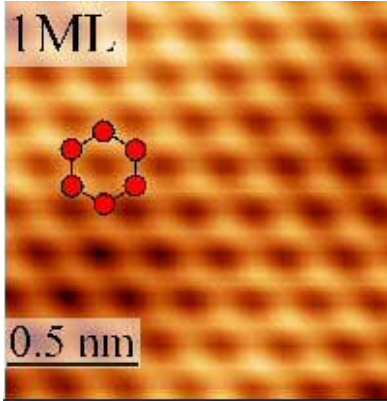
$$\nu = \pm 2$$

good for the quantum Hall effect in graphene

with  $R_{xy} = h/2e^2$



# Epitaxial G/SiC (Si face)

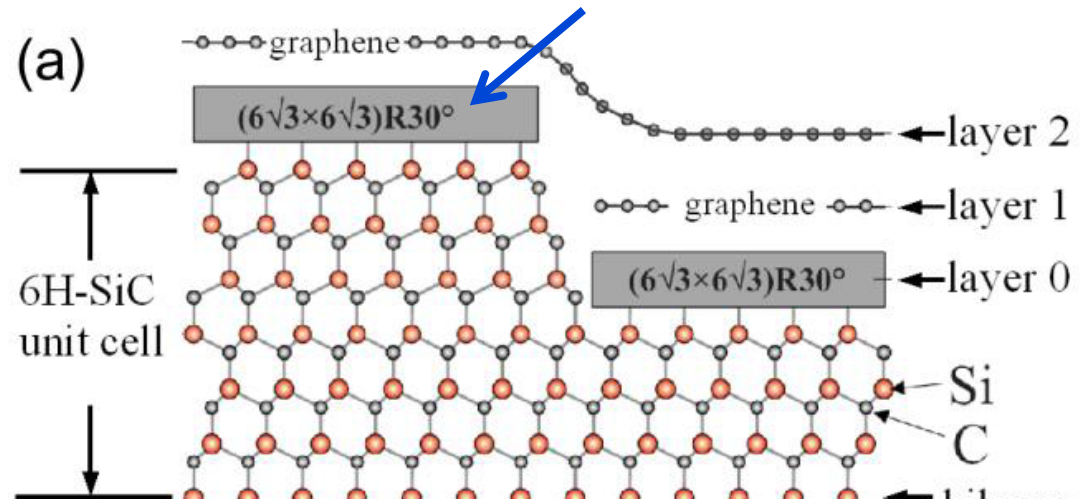


Lauffer, Emtsev, Graupner, Seyller (**Erlangen**), Ley PRB 77, 155426 (2008)

**Dead layer with a large unit cell carries defects (missing C, Si substitutions of C, interstitial Si) in a large variety of positions, therefore, provides a broad band of surface donor/acceptor states which transfer charge to graphene**



Gaskill et al, (**HRL Malibu**) ECS Trans. 19, 117 (2009)



# 'Quantum capacitance' and charge transfer in G/SiC

$$\underbrace{\chi}_{\text{surface donors DoS}} \underbrace{[A - 4\pi e^2 d(n + n_g) - \varepsilon_F(n)]}_{\text{classical capacitance}} + \underbrace{\rho l}_{\text{bulk donors density}} = n + n_g$$

classical capacitance
'quantum capacitance'

$$\tilde{A} = \varepsilon_F(n) + U + 4\pi e^2 d(n + n_g).$$

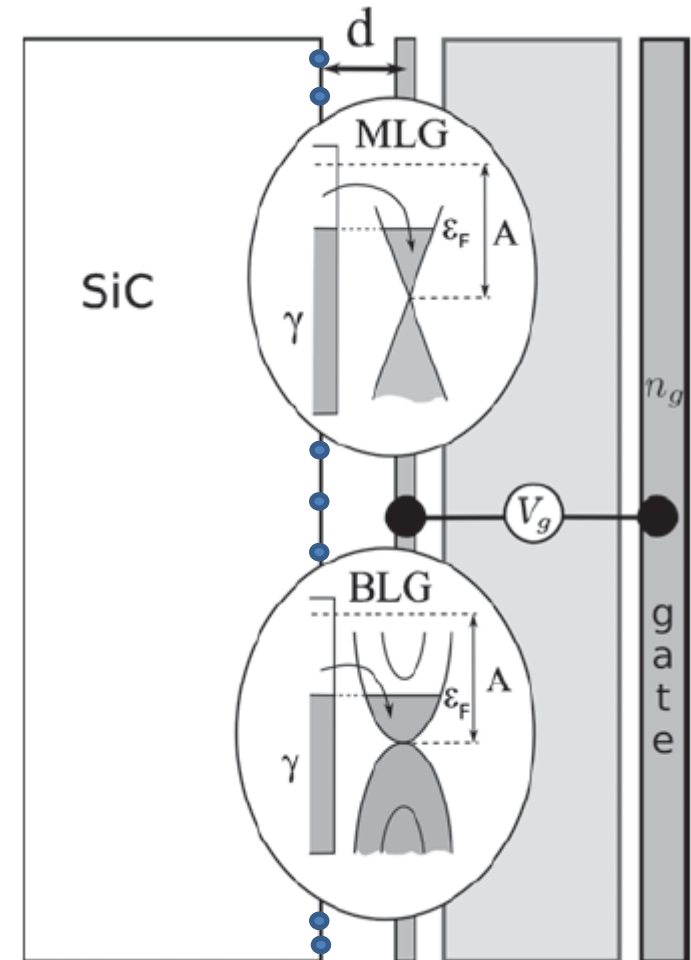
$$\varepsilon_F = \hbar v \sqrt{\pi n}$$

$$U = 2\pi e^2 \rho l^2 / \chi$$

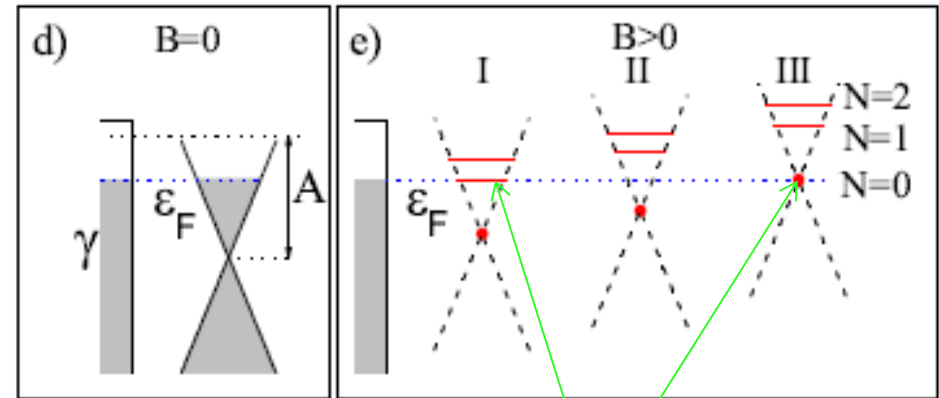
Schottky barrier

$$A = A_G - A_{\text{surface donors}}$$

$$\tilde{A} = A_G - A_{\text{bulk donors}}$$



# G/SiC: filling factor pinning



$$\gamma[A - 4\pi e^2 d(n + n_g) - \varepsilon_F(n)] + \rho l = n + n_g$$

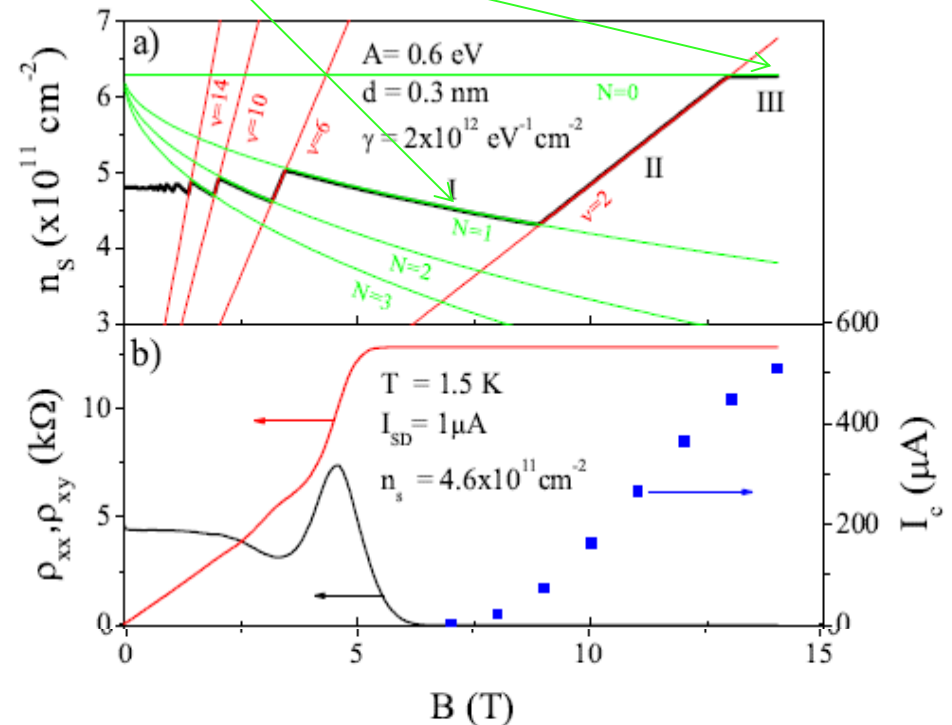
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$$\varepsilon_F = \hbar v \sqrt{\pi n}$$

$$\varepsilon_F = \sqrt{2N} \frac{\hbar v}{\lambda_B}, \quad 4N - 2 < \frac{nh}{eB} < 4N + 2$$

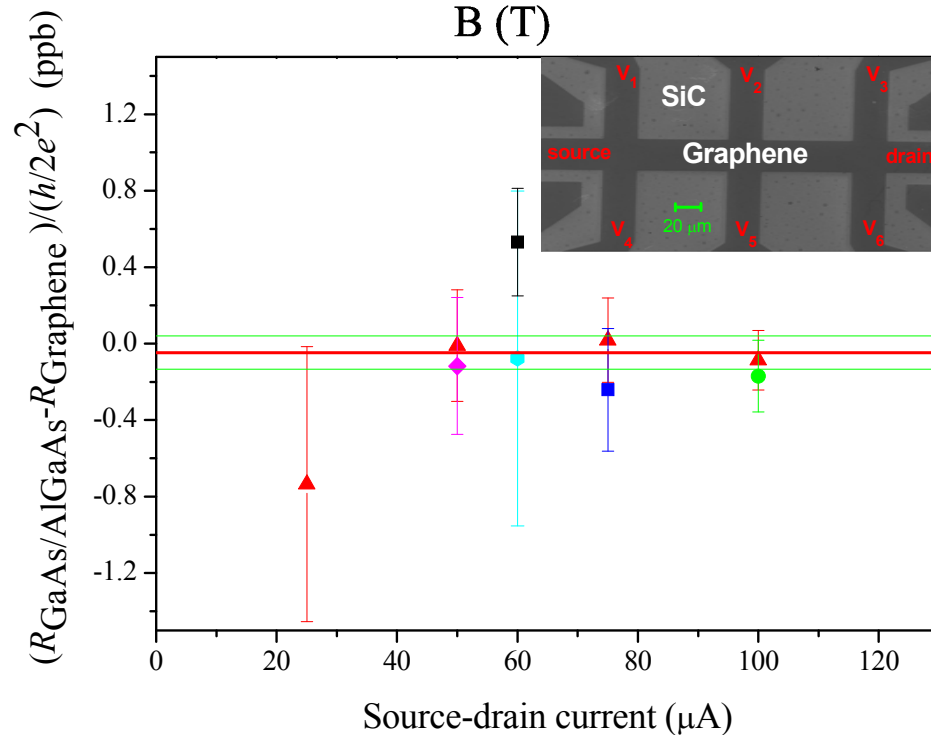
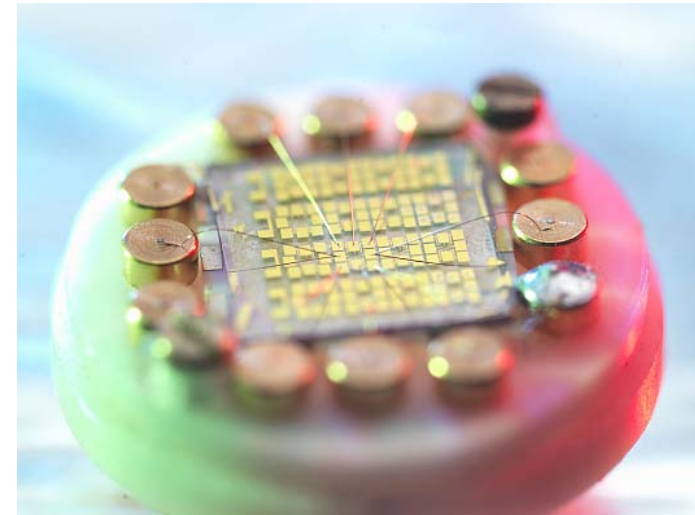
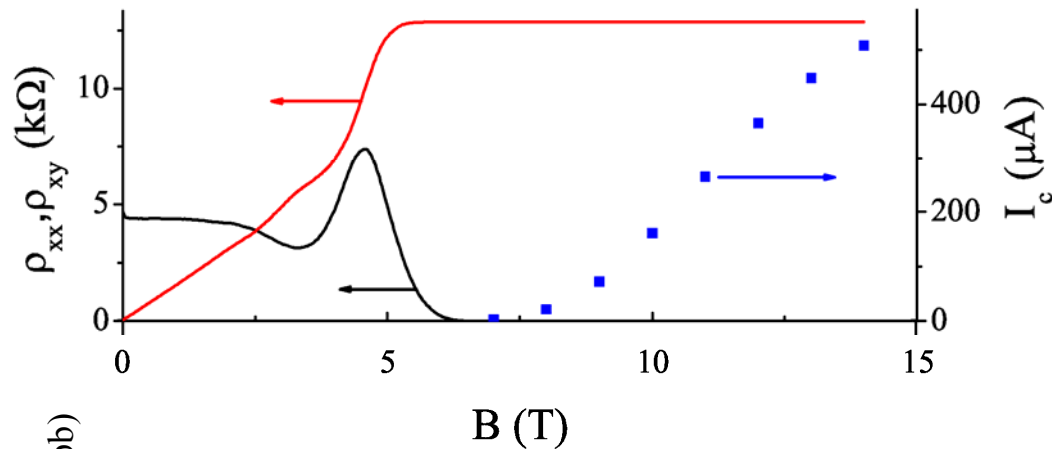
Due to the filling factor pinning, the largest QHE breakdown current is not at a nominal  $B(\nu=2)$ , but appears at a higher field.

Janssen, Tzalenchuk, Yakimova, Kubatkin,  
Lara-Avila, Kopylov, Fal'ko - PRB 83, 233402 (2011)



# Graphene-based resistance standard

Tzalenchuk, Lara-Avila, Kalaboukhov, Paolillo, Syväjärvi, Yakimova, Kazakova, Janssen, Fal'ko, Kubatkin  
 Nature Nanotechnology 5, 186 (2010)

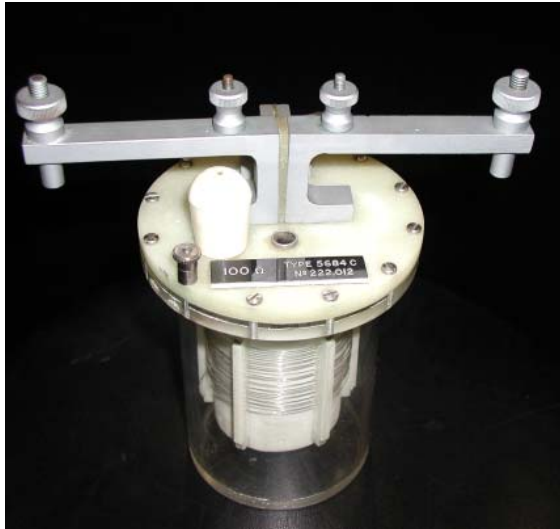


- 500  $\mu$ A at 14 T and 300 mK
- 87 pp trillion (ppt)

Janssen, Tzalenchuk, Lara-Avila, Kubatkin, Fal'ko  
 Rep. Prog. Phys. 76, 104501 (2013)

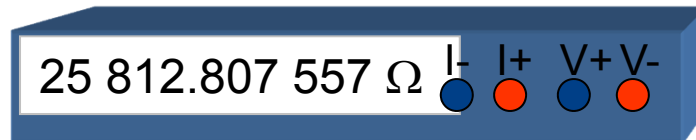
# Resistance metrology

XIX-XX centuries



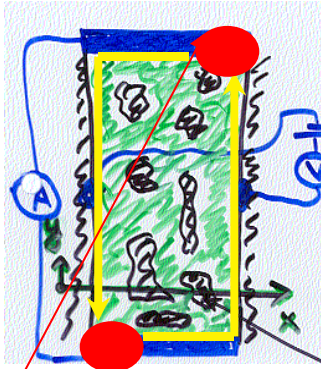
Wire resistor:  
a unique artefact  
which drifts in time

XXI century

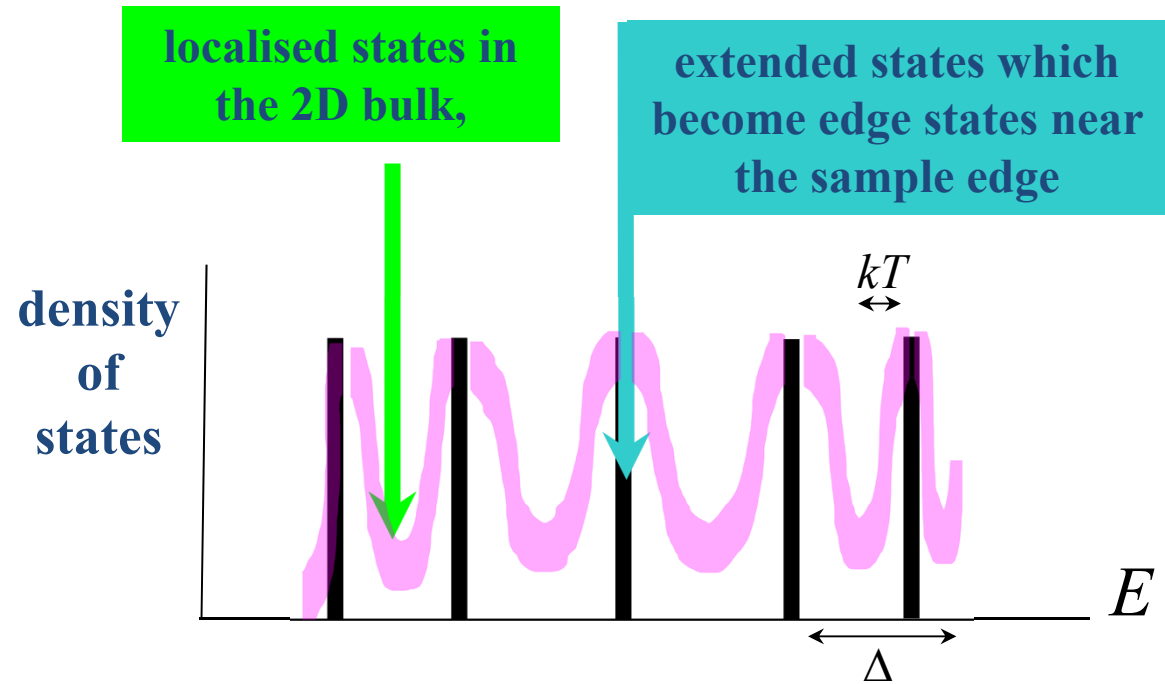


**Quantum Hall effect:  
universal and accurate**

- 87 pp trillion (ppt)



hot spots at the current injection points



- Hall current is carried by electrons in the edge states extended along the edges and equipotential near metallic contacts, terminated at the current injection points
- Hot spots at the current injection contacts limit applicable current and therefore practical accuracy of quantisation



# Edge states in graphene

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot (-i\hbar\nabla + e\mathbf{A})\Psi = E\Psi ; \\ [1 - (\mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}) \otimes (\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})]\Psi|_{y=0} = 0; \\ \mathbf{n} = \hat{\mathbf{n}}_z \cos \phi + [\hat{\mathbf{n}}_z \times \mathbf{n}_\perp] \sin \phi. \end{array} \right.$$

**B=0**

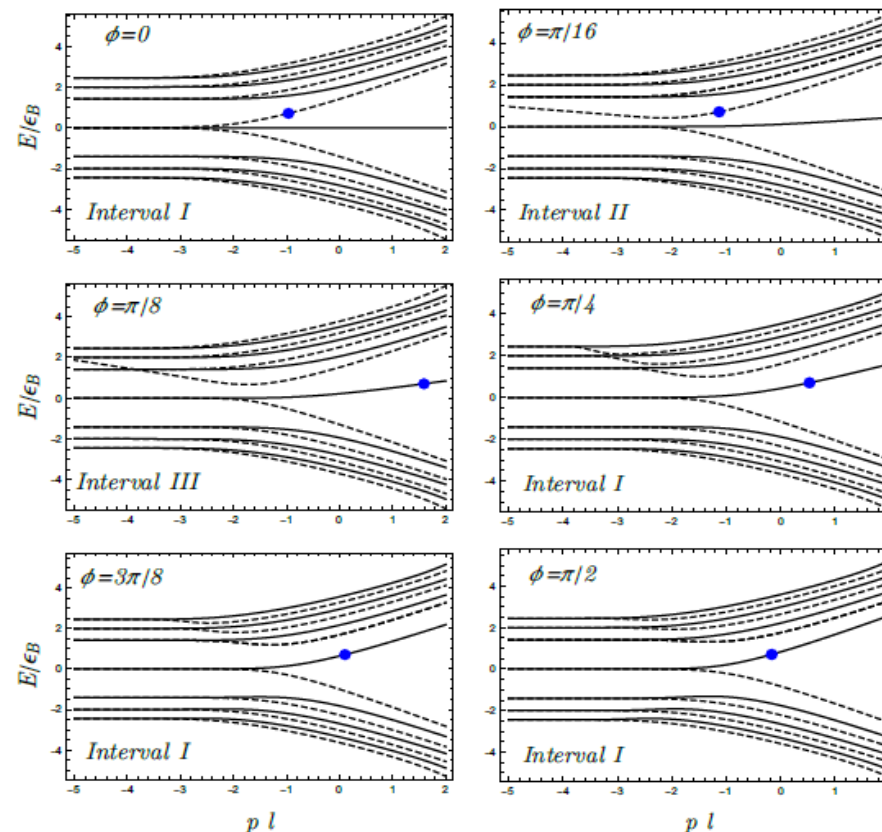
$$P_{K \rightarrow -K} = \frac{(\tan \theta)^2}{(\cos \phi)^2 + (\tan \theta)^2} |\mathbf{m} \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}_z|^2.$$

$$E(p) = \xi \hbar v p \sin \phi$$

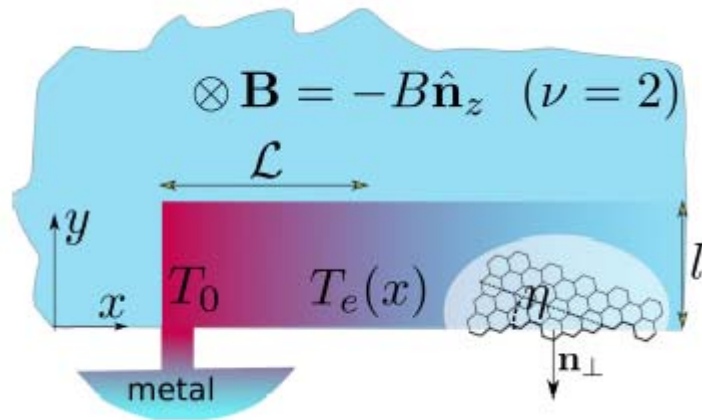
$$\Psi_\xi = \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \left(\tan \frac{\phi}{2}\right)^\xi \end{bmatrix} e^{-\xi p y \cos \phi + i p x}$$

Akhmerov & Beenakker, PRB 77, 085423 (2008)  
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**QHE regime**



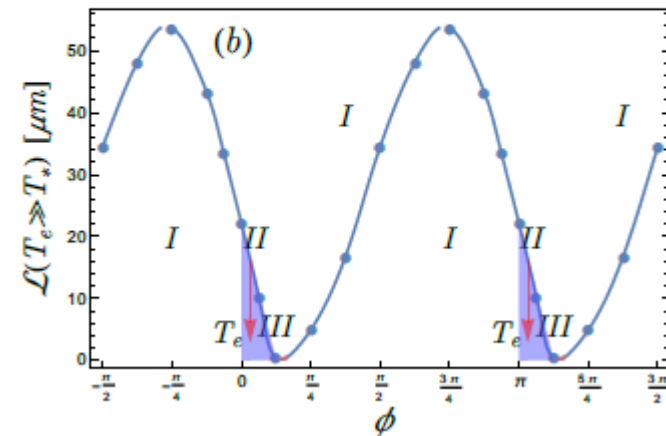
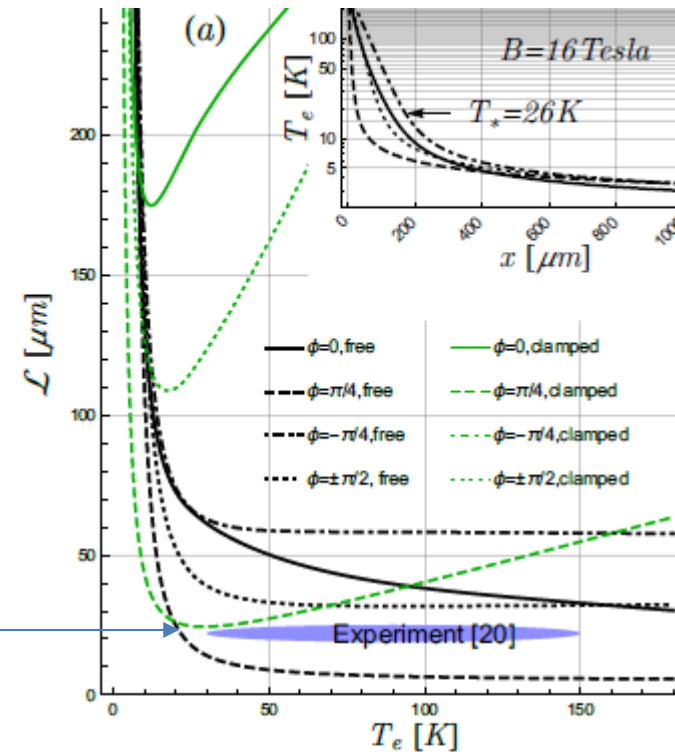
# Current injection hot spot, chiral heat transport, and edge states cooling by phonons in G in vdW structures



Nam, Hwang, Lee, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 226801 (2013)

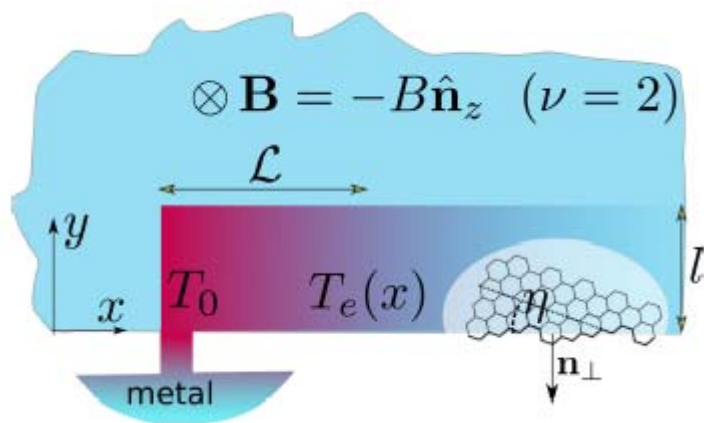
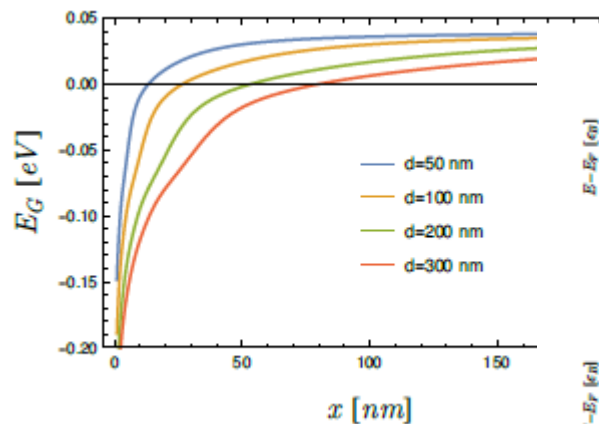
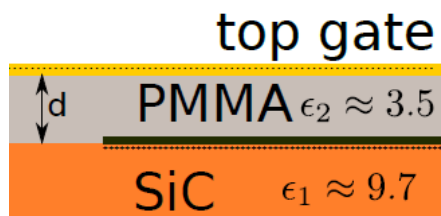
$$\mathcal{L}(T_e \gg T_*) \approx \frac{2\pi \hbar^2 \rho v_e^2 s}{g^2 r_0^2 e B}$$

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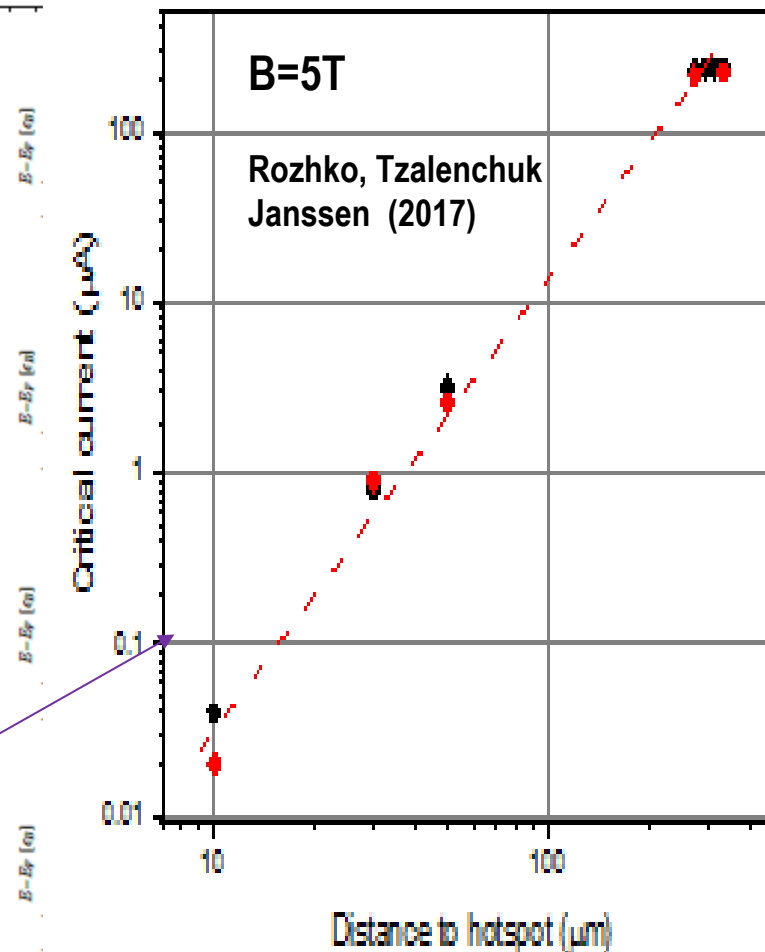
# Electrostatics of edge states in G/SiC



shorter  
T-decay  
length  
due to  
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modes

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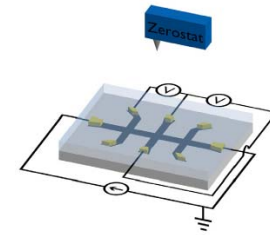
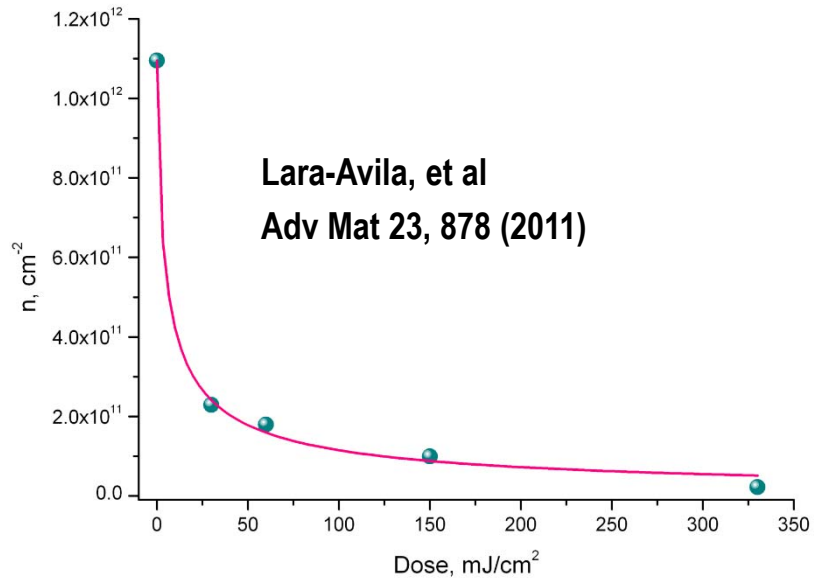
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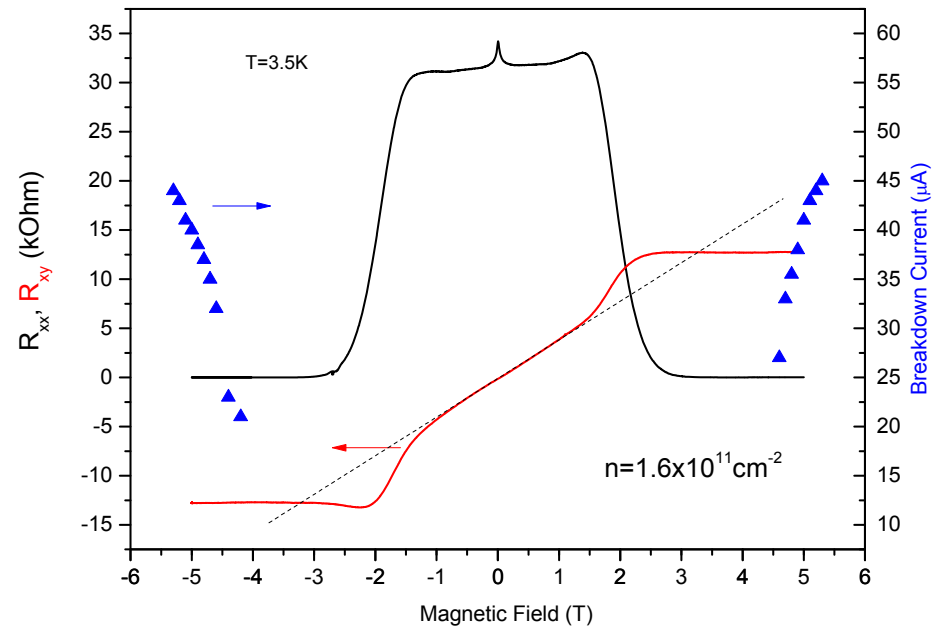
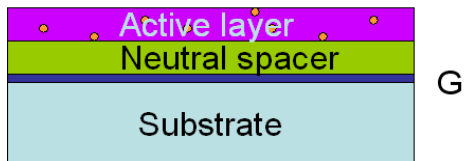
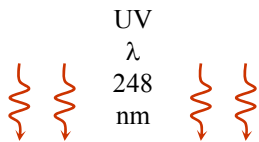
# Photochemical gating



# Low-field QHE in G/SiC

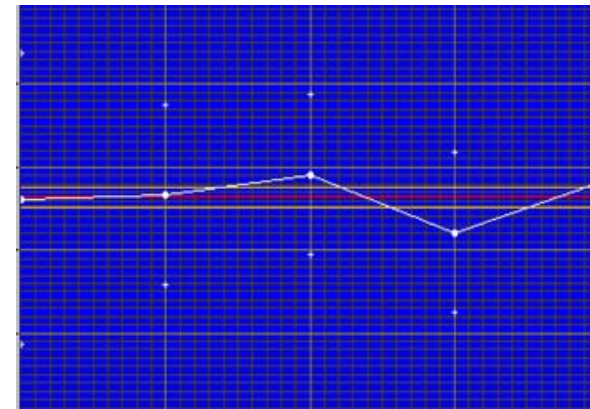
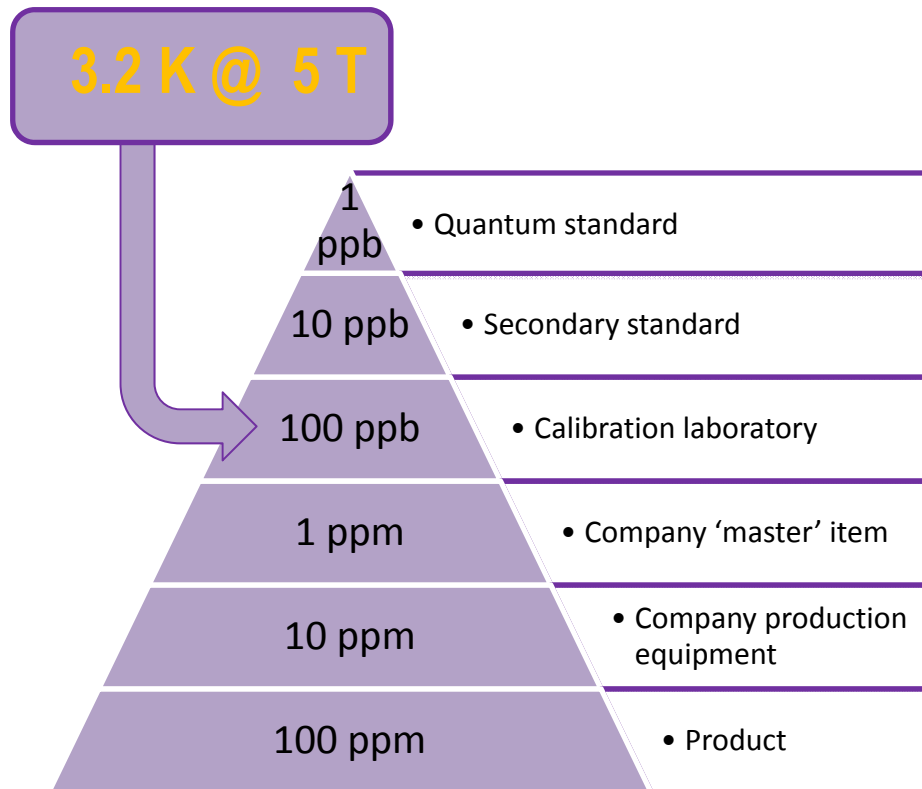
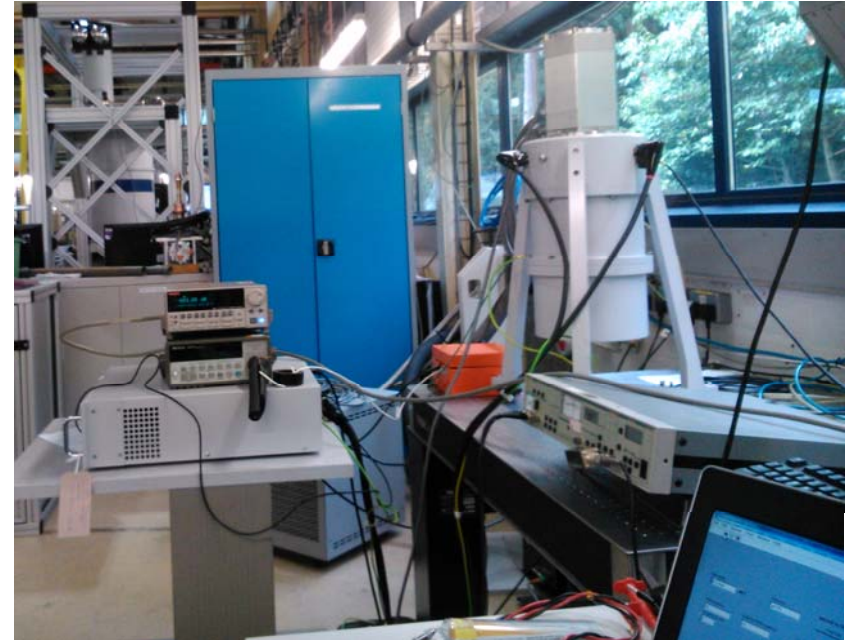


UV dose ↑  
Carrier density ↓



# Commercial application of QHE: push-button QRS calibration tool

Oxford Instruments cryo-free system  
NPL Cryogenic Current Comparator  
optimal QRS device design (NGI)



# Quantum transport in graphene

## L1 Disordered graphene (G)

graphene 101

QHE in G and quantum resistance standard

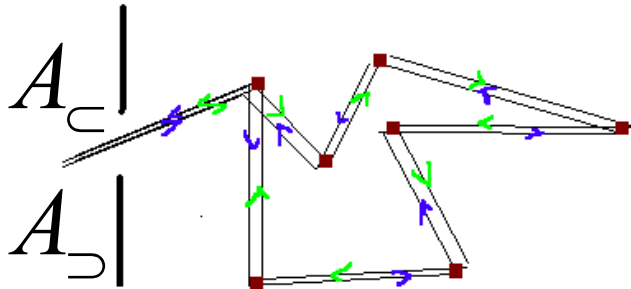
weak localisation regimes in graphene

## L2 Ballistic electrons in graphene

## L3 Moiré superlattice effects in G/hBN heterostructures

## Interference correction to conductivity: Weak Localisation.

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WL = enhanced backscattering  
 for non-chiral electrons in  
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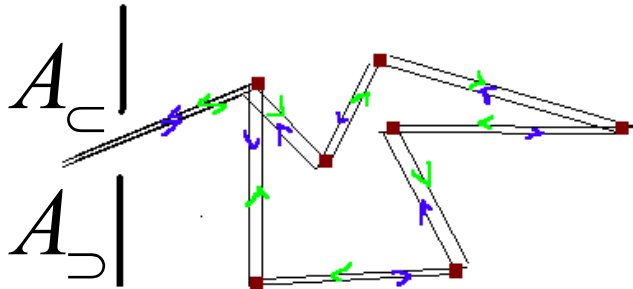
de-coherence suppresses  
 interference contribution

$$\sigma = \sigma_{cl} - \frac{e^2}{2\pi h} \ln\left(\min[\tau_{\varphi}, \tau_B] / \tau\right)$$

time reversal symmetry breaking  
 suppresses interference  
 correction, leading to negative  
 magnetoresistance

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for Berry phase  $\pi$  electrons in MLG

chiral electrons  $\psi_{out} = e^{-i\phi(\Sigma_z/2)} \psi_{in}$

$$A_{\leftarrow} \sim e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}\Sigma_z} \psi_{\vec{p}}$$

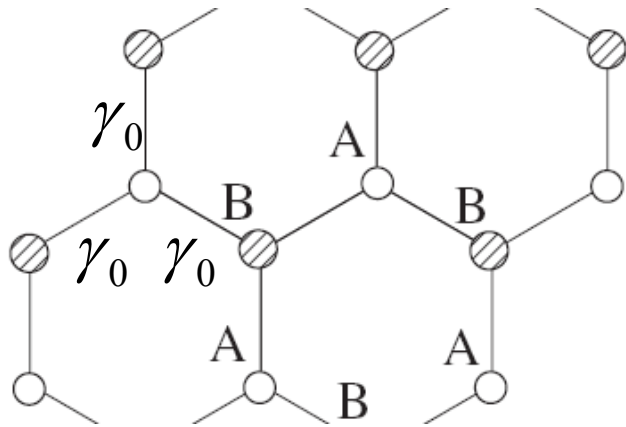
$$A_{\rightarrow} = e^{i\frac{-\pi}{2}\Sigma_z} \psi_{\vec{p}}$$



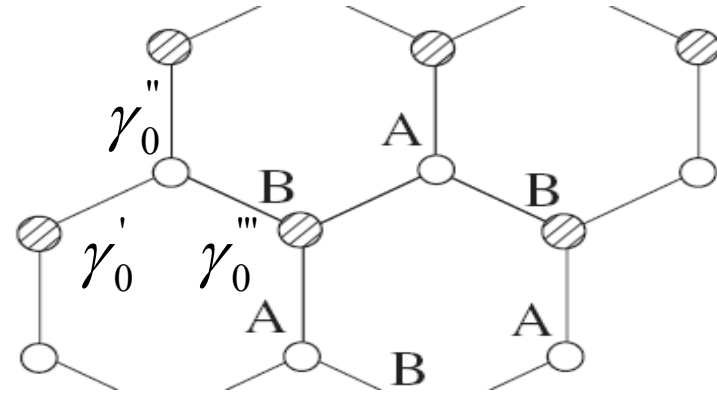
$$A_{\leftarrow} A_{\rightarrow}^* = e^{-i2\pi(\Sigma_z/2)} |A_{\leftarrow}|^2 = -|A_{\leftarrow}|^2 < 0$$

# Strained graphene

$$\gamma_0 e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{3}} + \gamma_0 + \gamma_0 e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}} = 0$$



$$\gamma_0' e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{3}} + \gamma_0'' + \gamma_0''' e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}} = \alpha_x + i\alpha_y \neq 0$$



$$\hat{H} = v\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\Sigma} + \zeta \vec{\alpha}_{def} \cdot \vec{\Sigma} \equiv v \left[ \vec{p} + \frac{\zeta}{v} \vec{\alpha}_{def} \right] \cdot \vec{\Sigma}$$

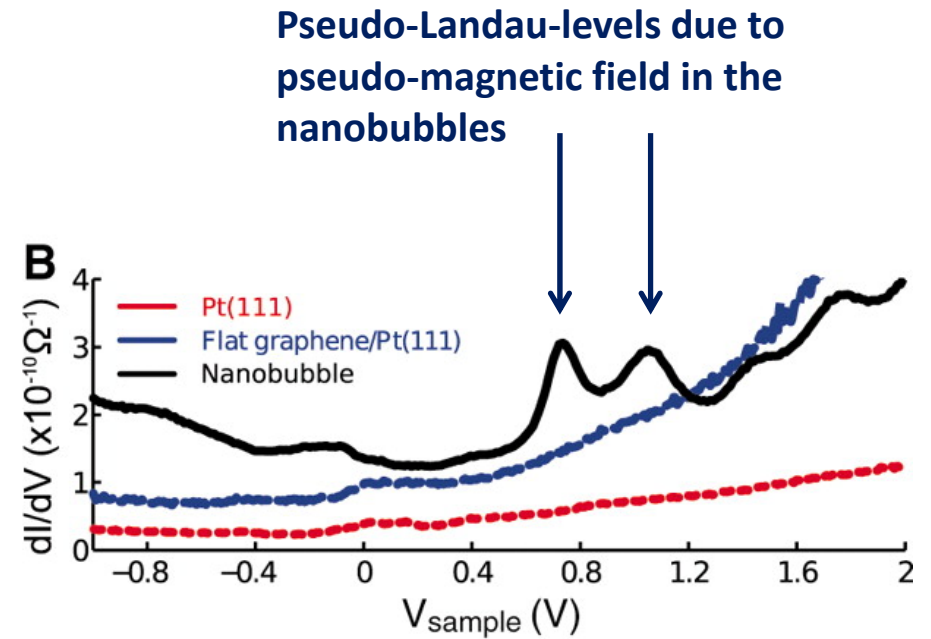
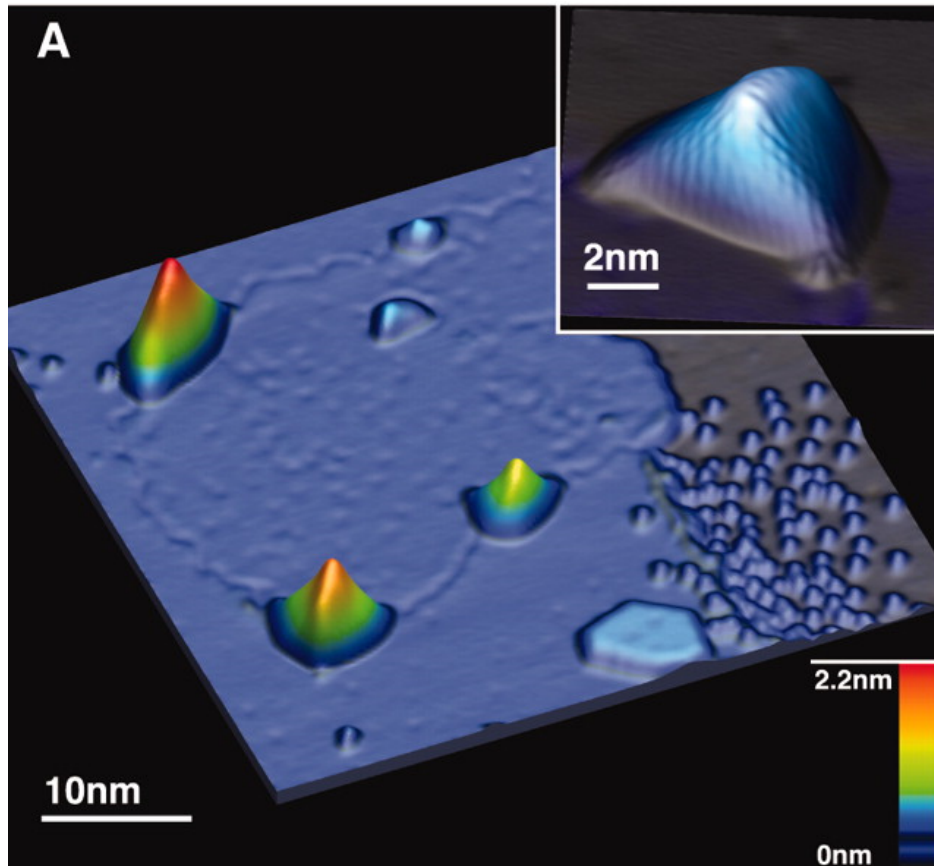
shift of the Dirac point in the momentum space,  
like some vector potential: opposite in K/K' valleys.

Iordanskii, Koshelev, JETP Lett 41, 574 (1985)  
Ando - J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 75, 124701 (2006)  
Morpurgo, Guinea - PRL 97, 196804 (2006)

$$B_{eff} = \frac{\zeta}{v} [\nabla \times \vec{\alpha}_{def}(\vec{r})]_z$$

pseudo-magnetic-field, as if time  
inversion is lifted for electrons in  
each valley ( $\zeta = \pm 1$  for K/K' valleys)

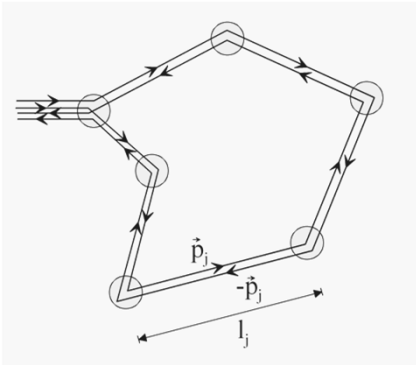
# Strain-induced '100Tesla' pseudo-magnetic fields in nanobubbles



Levy, Burke, Meaker, Panlasigui, Zettl, Guinea, Castro Neto, Crommie - Science 329, 544 (2010)



Inhomogeneous strain



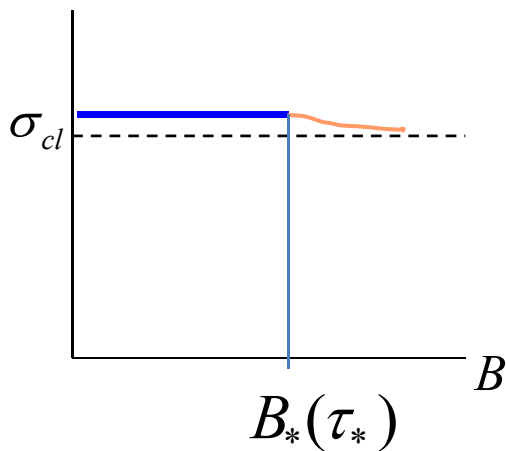
$$A_{\zeta}^K \neq A_{\zeta}^K$$

$$\hat{H} = v\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{p} + \hat{I}U(r) + \zeta\vec{\alpha}_{def} \cdot \vec{\Sigma}$$

Foster, Ludwig - PRB 73, 155104 (2006)  
Morpurgo, Guinea - PRL 97, 196804 (2006)

Relaxation time  $\tau_*$

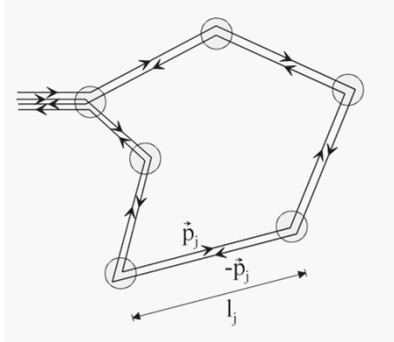
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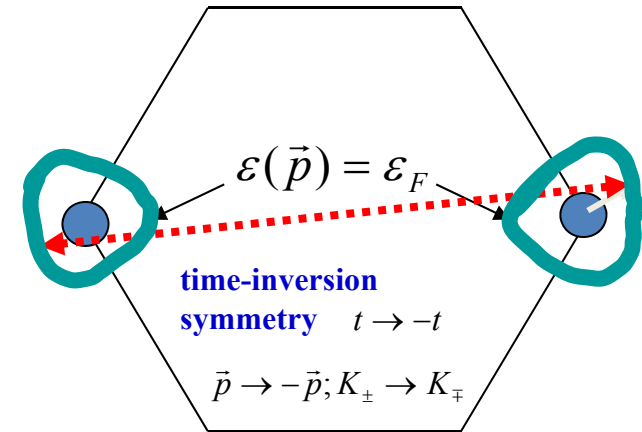
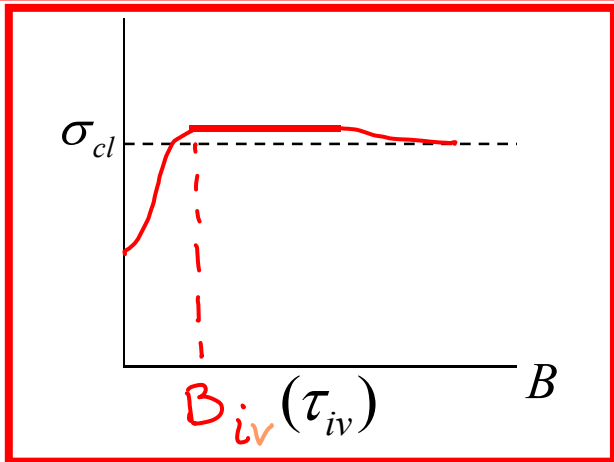
... but strain has the opposite effect on electrons in K and K' valleys, so that the true time-reversal symmetry is preserved, and the inter-valley scattering restores the WL behaviour typical for electrons in time-inversion symmetric systems.

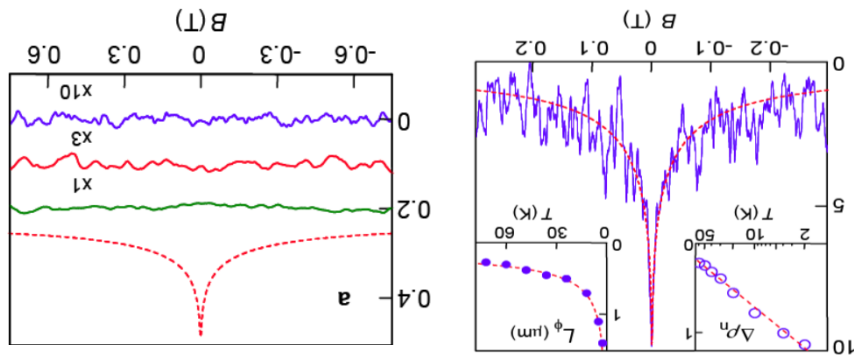


$$A_{\cup}^{K_{\pm}} = A_{\subset}^{K_{\mp}}$$

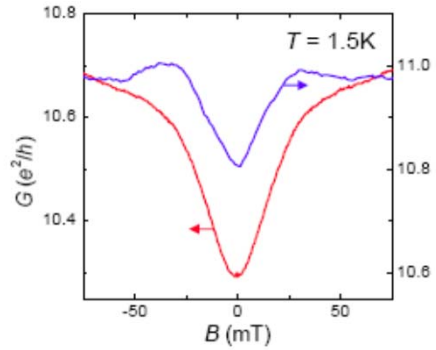
Intervalley time  $\tau_{iv}$

$$\sigma = \sigma_{cl} - \frac{e^2}{2\pi h} \ln(\min[\tau_{\varphi}, \tau_B] / \tau_{iv})$$

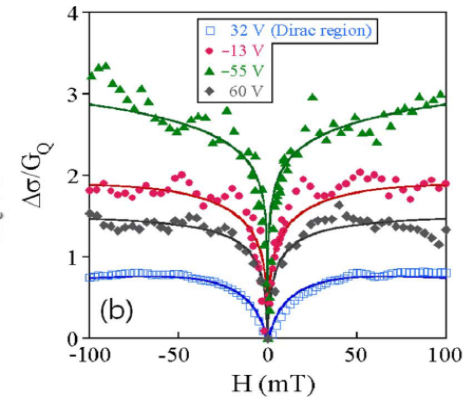




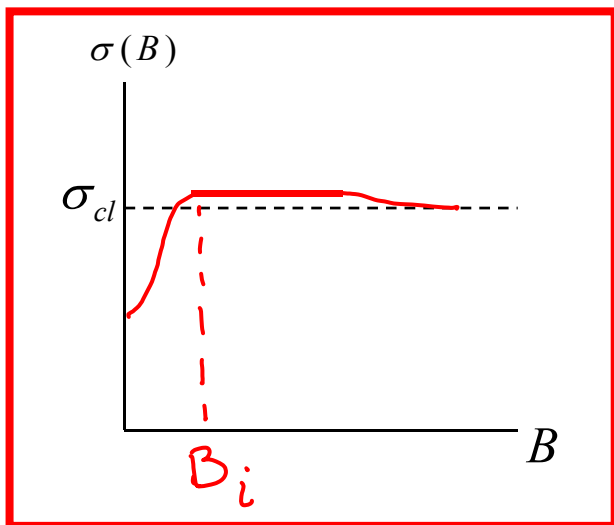
Morozov et al, PRL 97, 016801 (2006)



Heersche et al, Nature 446, 56-59 (2007)



Ki et al, PR B 78, 125409 (2008)



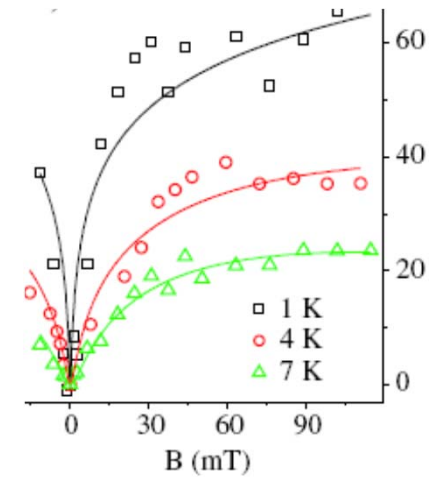
$$\tau_* \ll \tau_{iv} \ll \tau_\phi$$

$$\tau_\phi^{-1}(T) = \frac{T/\hbar}{\sigma h/e^2} \ln \frac{\sigma h}{2e^2}$$

$$B_{\phi,*,iv} = \frac{\hbar/e}{4L_{\phi,*,iv}} = \frac{\hbar/e}{4D\tau_{\phi,*,iv}}$$

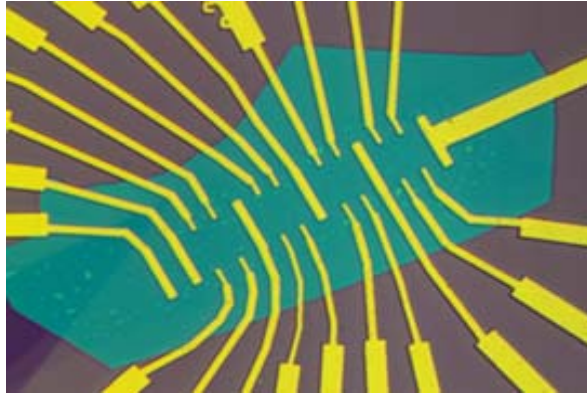
$$\Delta\sigma \sim \frac{e^2}{\pi h} \left( 2F\left(\frac{B}{B_\phi + B_* + B_{iv}}\right) + F\left(\frac{B}{B_\phi + 2B_{iv}}\right) - F\left(\frac{B}{B_\phi}\right) \right)$$

$$F(z) = \ln z + \psi\left(\frac{1}{2} + z^{-1}\right)$$



Tikhonenko et al, PRL 100, 056802 (2008)

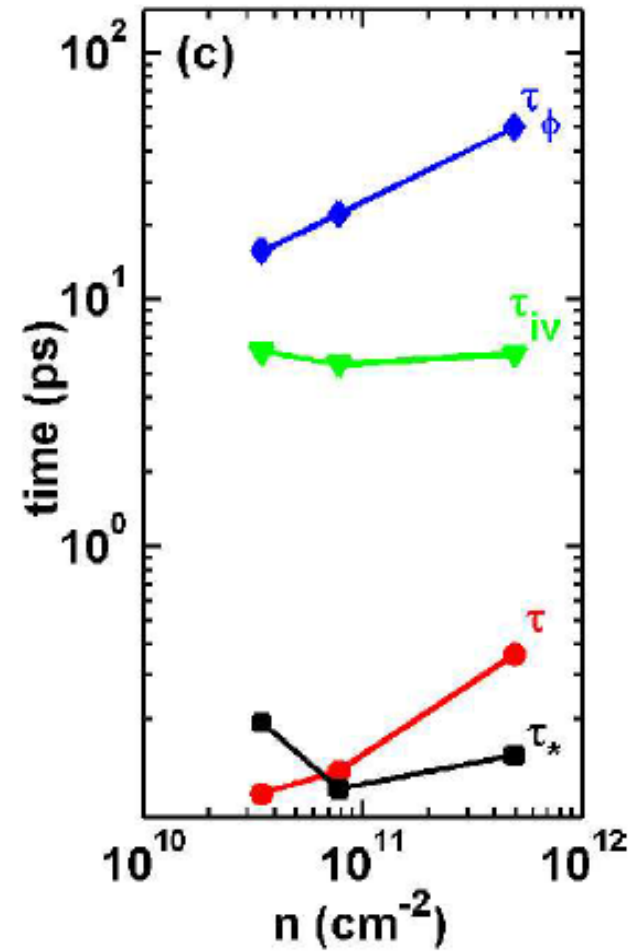
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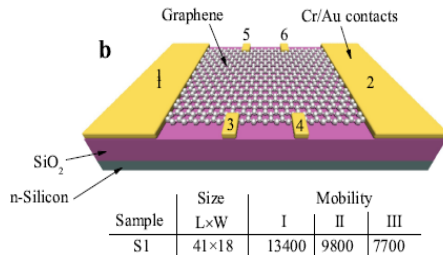


$$\tau_* \sim \tau$$

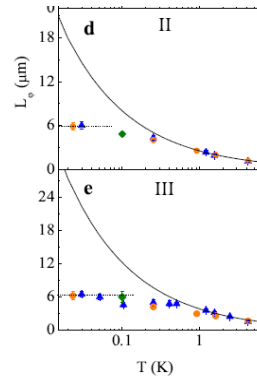
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*data for graphene on SiO<sub>2</sub>, SrTiO<sub>3</sub>, hBN*

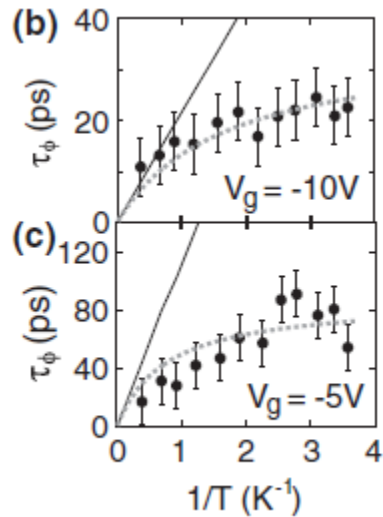
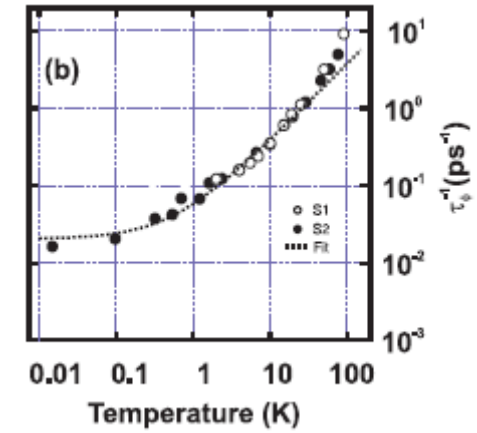
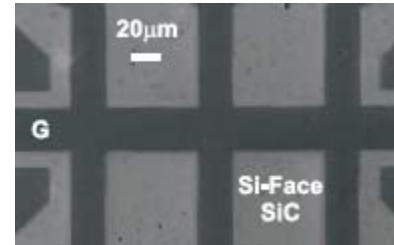




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Phys. Rev. B 86, 045436 (2012)

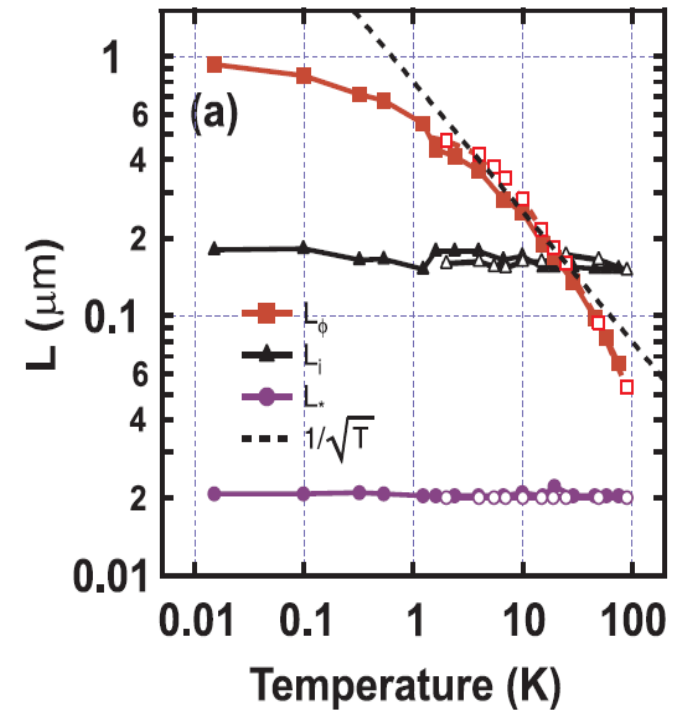


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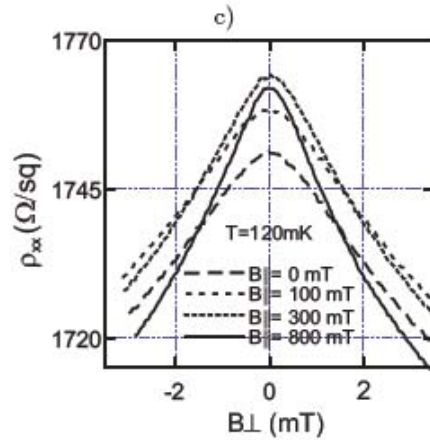
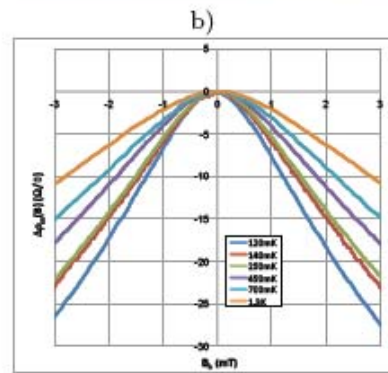
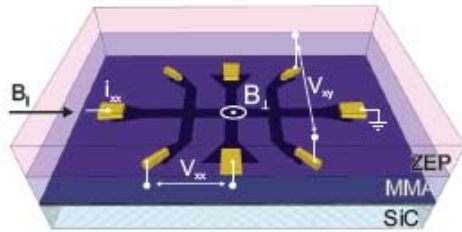
Engels, Terres, Epping, Khodkov, Watanabe,  
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Saturation of  
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at low  
temperatures hints  
that there are  
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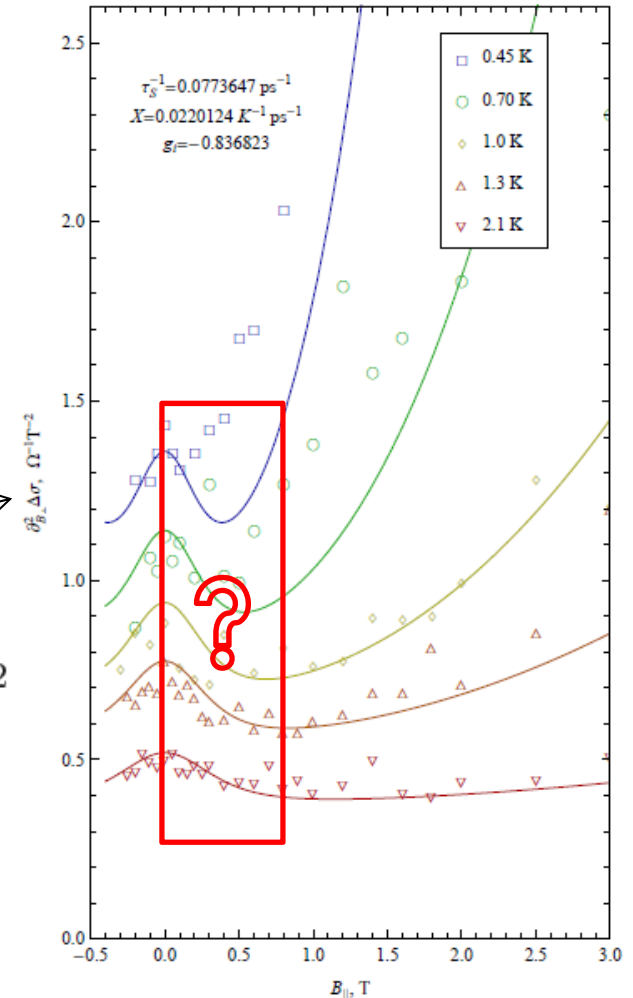
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# WL in epitaxial graphene on SiC

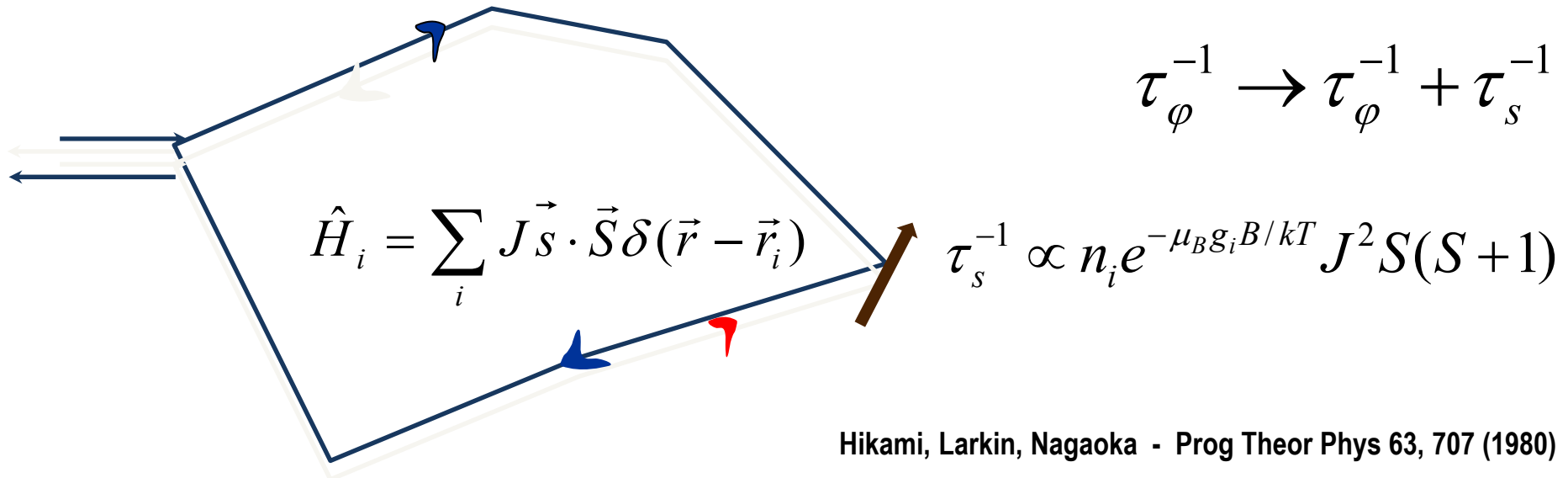


defect polarisation by in-plane magnetic field should restore a longer phase coherence time

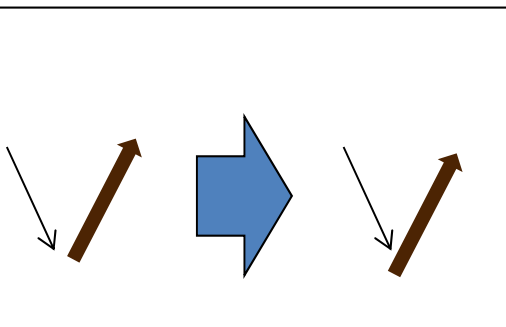
$$\left. \frac{\partial^2 \sigma_{xx}}{\partial B_{\perp}^2} \right|_{B_{\perp}=0} = \frac{16\pi e^2}{3 h} \left( \frac{D\tau_{\varphi}}{h/e} \right)^2$$



# Influence of spin-flip scattering and scatter's spin dynamics on WL

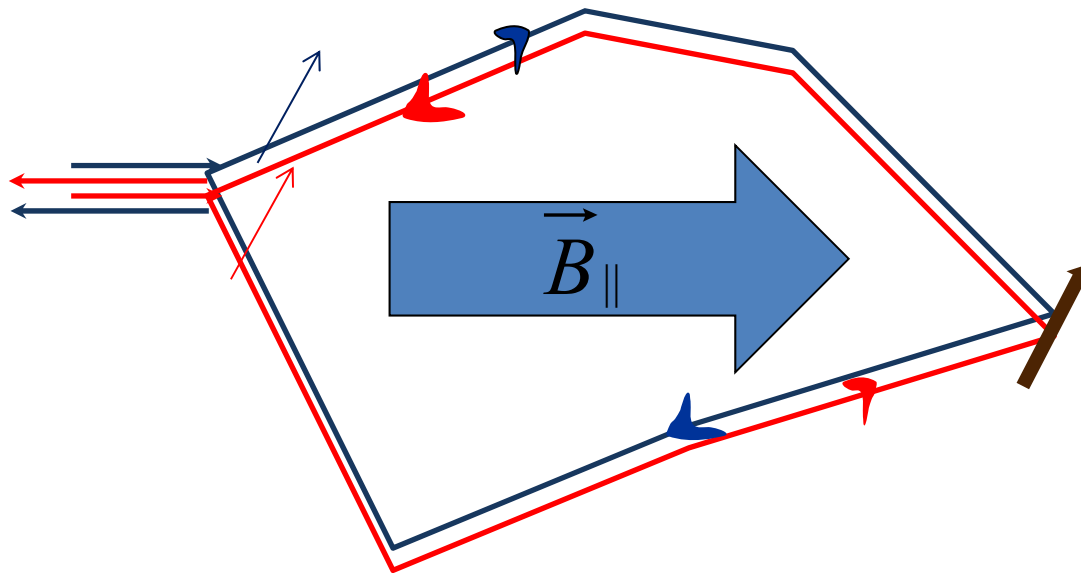


 **spin-flip in scattering, suppresses interference correction, in addition to spin relaxation**

 **no-spin-flip:**  
this does not cause decoherence, but scattering amplitude/phase depend on the mutual orientation of defect's and arriving electron's spins

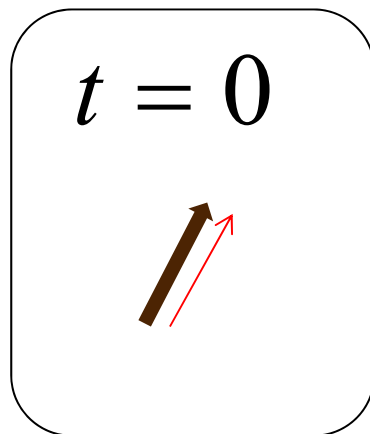
# Influence of scatterer's spin dynamics on WL

Difference of scattering conditions between clockwise and anti-clockwise trajectories, at



$|t_{\supset} - t_{\subset}| (\omega_e - \omega_i) > 1$   
leads to faster de-coherence:

$$B_{\parallel} > \tau_s^{-1} / \mu_B |g_i - g_e|$$

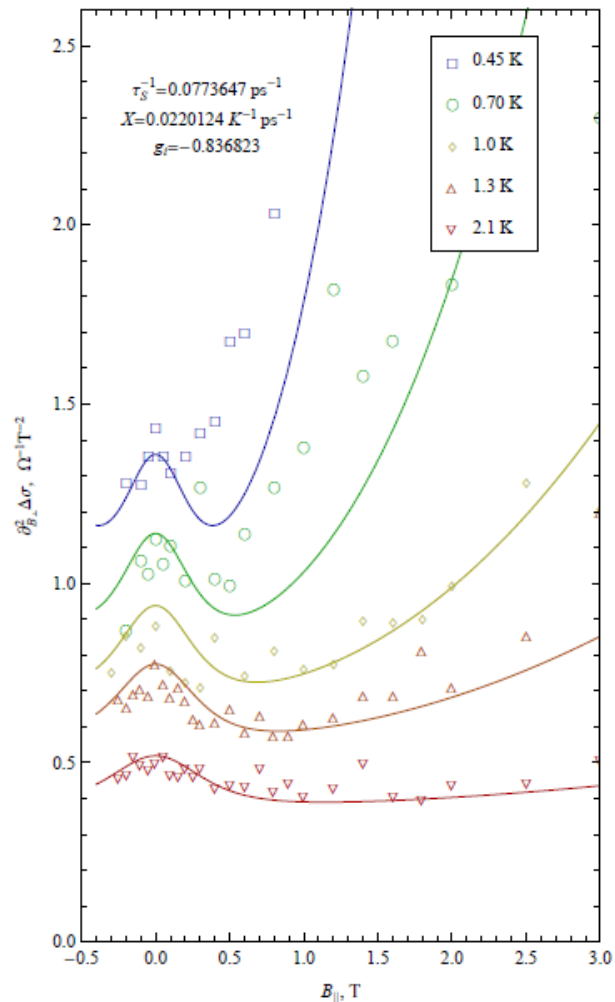


	$\omega_e = \omega_i$	$\omega_e \neq \omega_i$
$t = t_{\supset}$		
$t = t_{\subset}$		



# Influence of scatterer's spin dynamics on WL

Lara-Avila, Kubatkin, Kashuba, Folk, Luscher, Yakimova, Janssen, Tzalenchuk, Fal'ko - PRL 115, 106602 (2015)



For  $g_i \neq g_e$  difference of scattering conditions between clockwise and anti-clockwise trajectories leads to a faster decoherence for

$$\frac{\hbar\tau_s^{-1}}{\mu_B|g_i - g_e|} < B_{||} \ll \frac{kT}{\mu_B g_i}$$

$$g_e \approx 2$$

$$g_i \approx -1$$

Si substitutions of C in the dead carbon layer on SiC (Si has stronger SO coupling than carbon)

Kashuba, Glazman, Fal'ko - PRB 93, 045206 (2016)

# SO coupling and WAL/WL crossover in graphene

random  
potential

strain and  
sublattice  
asymmetry

inter-valley  
scattering

$$\hat{H} = v\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{p} + \hat{I}u(\vec{r}) + \sum_{\alpha=x,y,z} u_{\alpha z}(\vec{r})\Sigma_{\alpha}\Lambda_z + \sum_{\substack{\alpha=x,y,z \\ l=x,y}} u_{\alpha l}(\vec{r})\Sigma_{\alpha}\Lambda_l$$

$z \rightarrow -z$  symmetric:  
conserves  $s_z$  but breaks  
time-inversion for the  
orbital motion of  
spin-up/down electrons.

$$+ \Delta\Sigma_z s_z + \sum_{l=x,y,z} a_{lz}(\vec{r})s_z\Lambda_l$$

$$+ \alpha_{BR}\vec{\Sigma} \cdot (\vec{s} \times \vec{l}_z) + \sum_{\substack{s=x,y \\ l=x,y,z}} a_{sl}(\vec{r})s_s\Lambda_l$$

$z \rightarrow -z$  asymmetric,  
relaxes all spin  
components

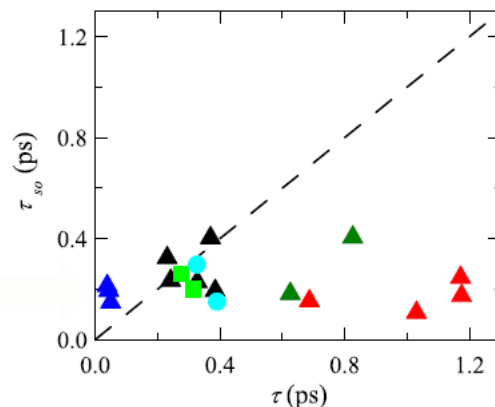
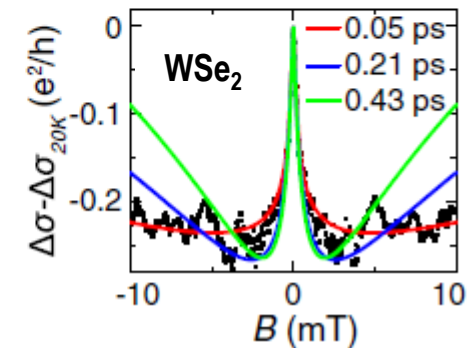
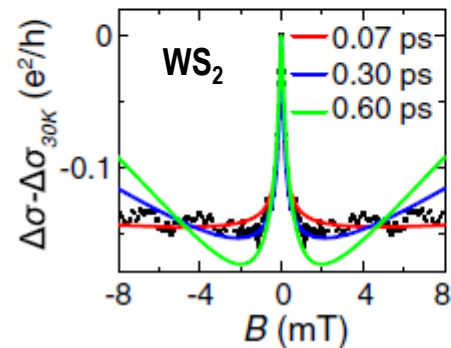
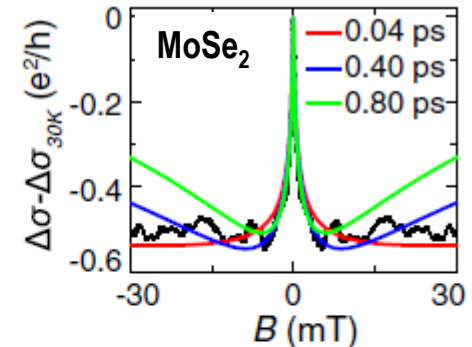
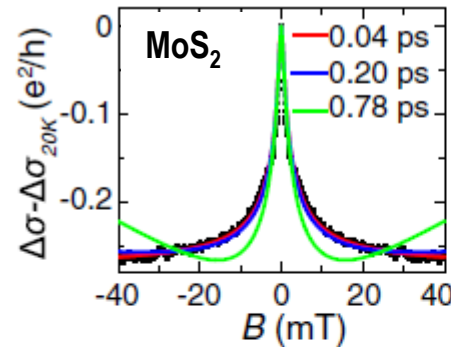
# WAL due to proximity-induced SO coupling in graphene on transition metal dichalcogenides

$$\Delta\sigma(B) = -\frac{e^2}{\pi h} \left[ F\left(\frac{\tau_B^{-1}}{\tau_\phi^{-1}}\right) - F\left(\frac{\tau_B^{-1}}{\tau_\phi^{-1} + 2\tau_{asy}^{-1}}\right) - 2F\left(\frac{\tau_B^{-1}}{\tau_\phi^{-1} + \tau_{so}^{-1}}\right) \right]$$

$$\tau_{iv}^{-1} \gg \tau_{so}^{-1} \sim \sum_{l,s=all} |a_{l,s}|^2$$

$$+ \left(\frac{\Delta}{\mathcal{E}_F}\right)^2 \tau^{-1} + 2\tau (\alpha_{BR}/\hbar)^2$$

Dyakonov-Perel relaxation



$$\tau_{asy}^{-1} \sim 2\tau (\alpha_{BR}/\hbar)^2$$

**Bychkov-Rashba type SO coupling (G does not become not topological insulator)**

- ✓ QHE in G and quantum resistance standard
- ✓ weak localisation regimes in disordered graphene

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# Quantum transport in graphene

## L1 Disordered graphene (G)

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## L3 Moiré superlattice effects in G/hBN heterostructures

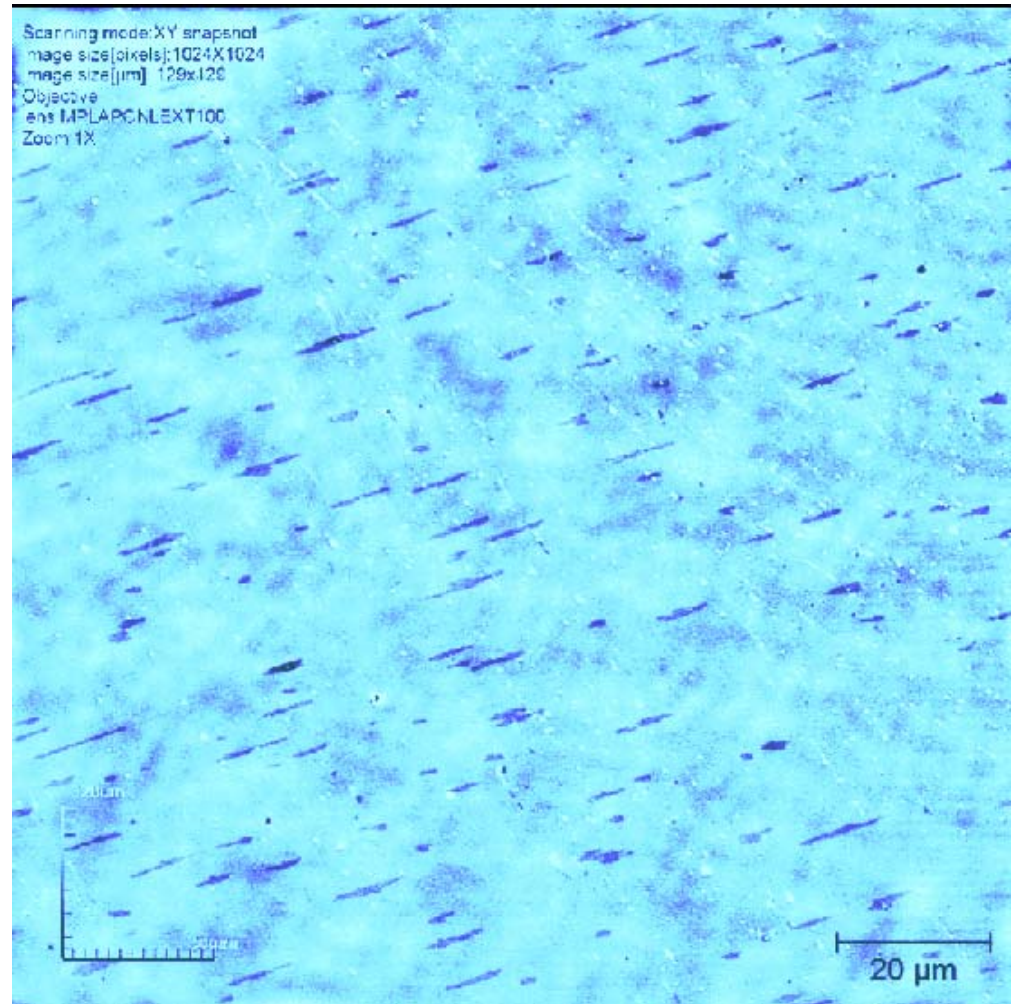
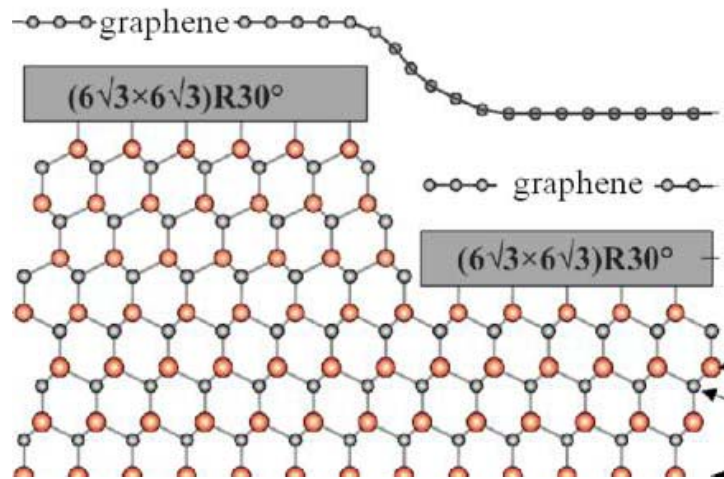






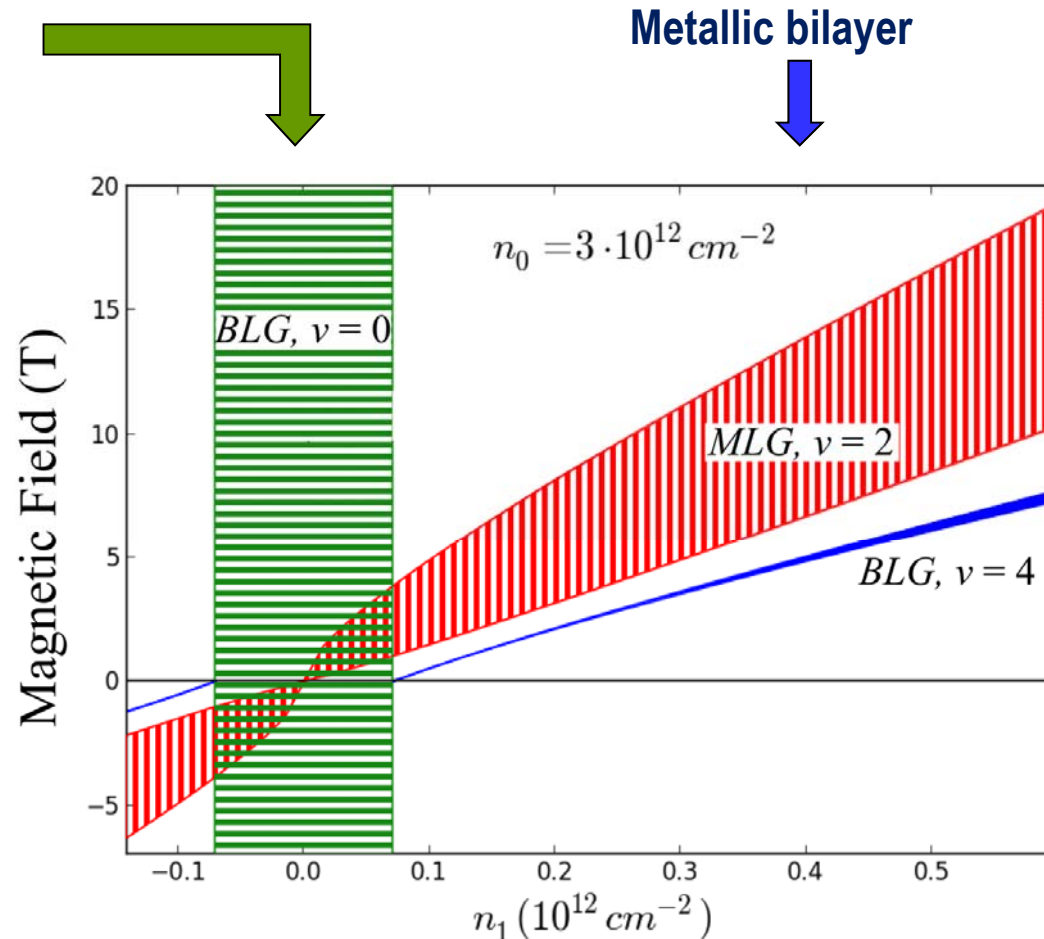
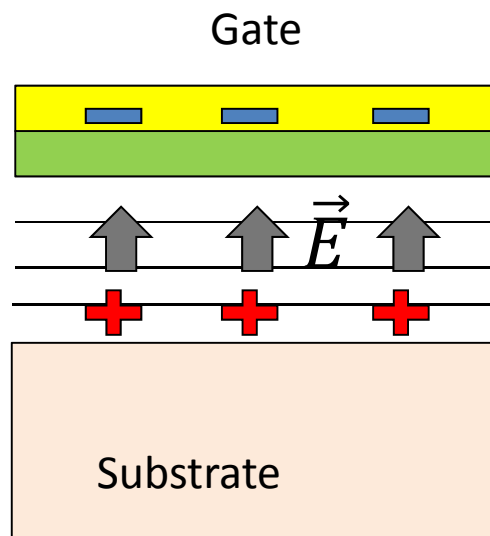
# Influence of bilayer inclusions

**Bilayer inclusions in a monolayer matrix formed on the step edges**



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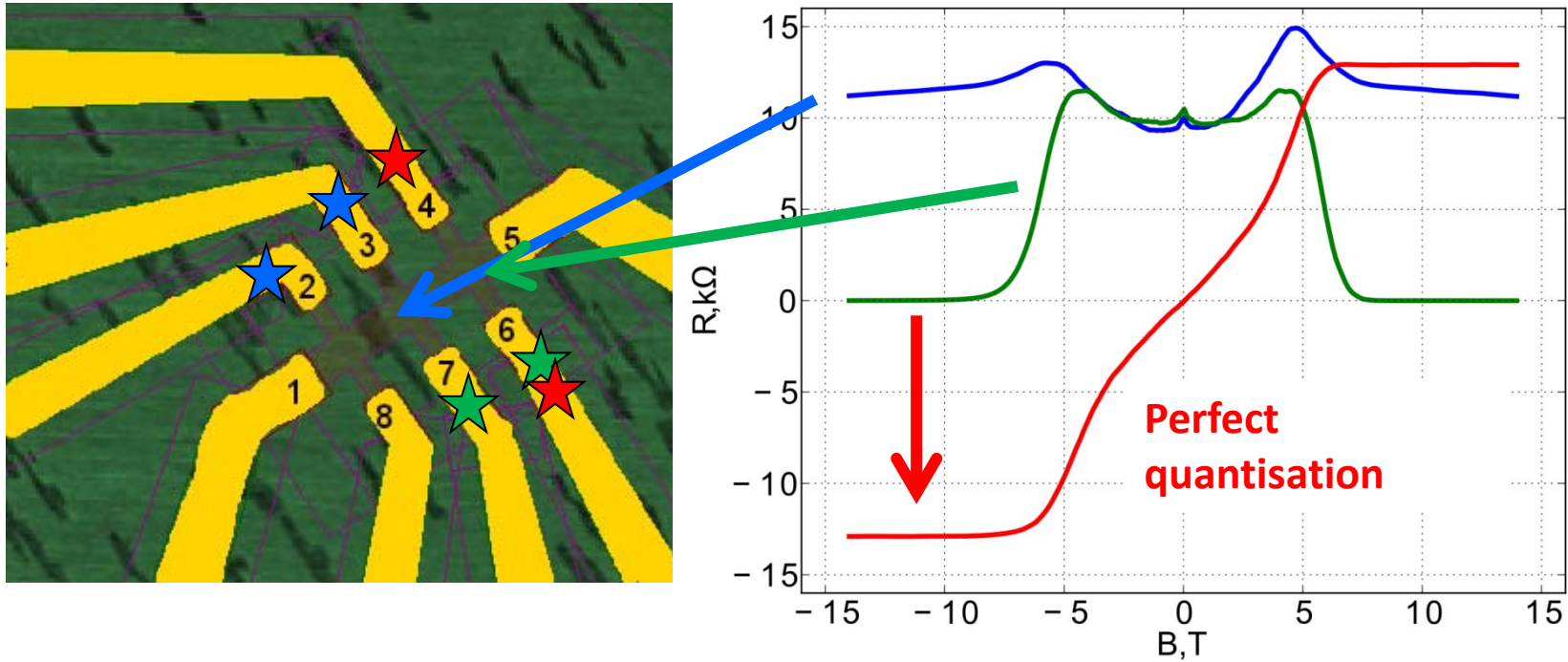
Interlayer asymmetry gap opened by the transverse electric field



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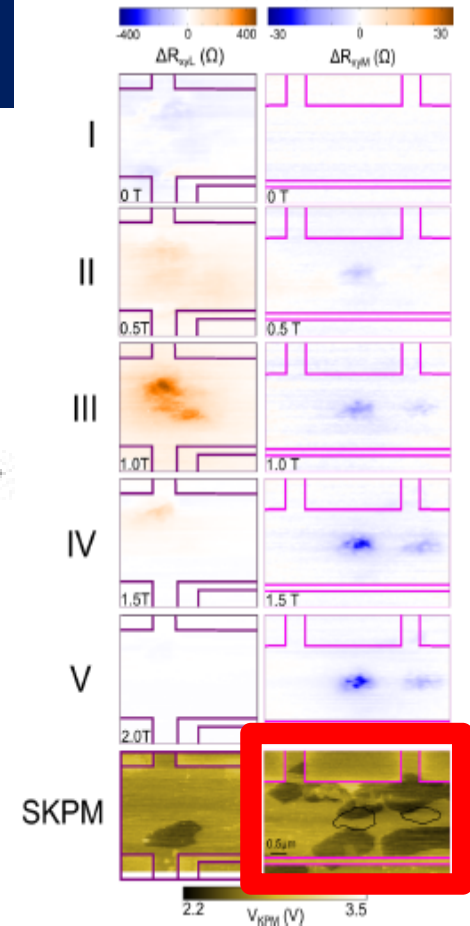
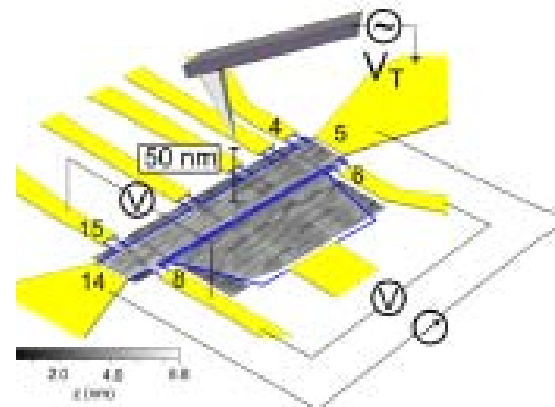
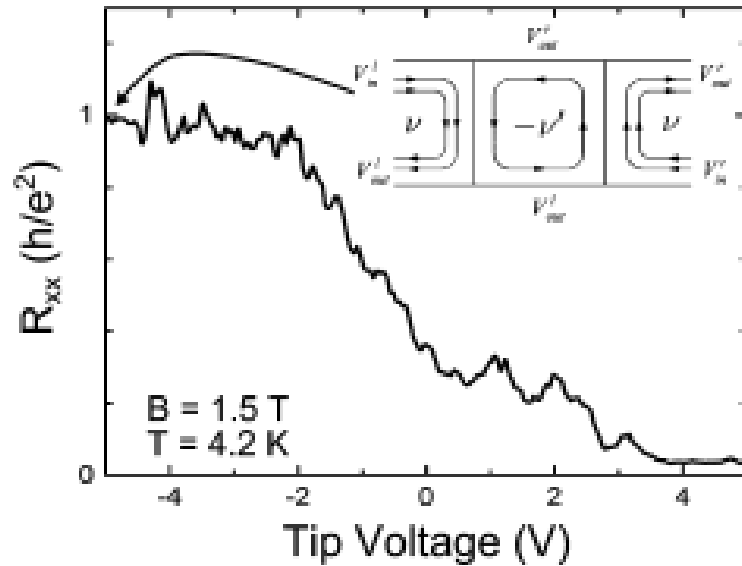
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$$R_{6-8} \equiv \frac{(V_{\text{out}}^l - V_{\text{in}}^r)}{I} \equiv \frac{\nu + \nu'}{\nu\nu'} \frac{h}{e^2} \xrightarrow{\nu=\nu'=2} \frac{h}{e^2}$$

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