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NANOCRYSTALS

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Semiconductor Nanocrystals (Dots, Cubes, Wires and Superlattices)

Inorganic Core 1-15nm



Surfactants 1-4 nm thick

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- Synthesize, characterize and integrate nanostructured materials.
-) Probe the limits conventional materials/device scaling.
- (3) Harness mesoscopic properties for future technology.
- (4) Explore the potential of self-assembly for nanofabrication.

(100)

(112)

11) (101)





Nanocrystal Superlattice



Annealed Superlattice



Nanowires





Basic Physics of Semiconductor Quantum Dots



Quantum Confinement Low Dimensional Structures



Particle-in-a-Sphere



$$\Phi(r,\theta,\phi) = C \frac{j_{l}(k_{n,l}r)Y_{l}^{m}(\theta,\phi)}{r}$$

 $\mathbf{Y}_{l}^{m}ig(heta,\phiig)$ is a spherical harmonic

 $j_{l}(k_{n,l}r)$ is the lth order spherical Bessel function







Discrete energy levels

size-dependence

The Quantum Dot is a Semiconductor



Direct Bandgap Semiconductor

 representing the potential presented by the lattice

Real Band Structure



Size Evolution of Electronic States



F=J+L where L=envelope angular momentum J=Bloch-band edge angular momentum

Hole states labeled by $n_h L_F [L_F=L + (L+2)]$ Electron states labeled $n_e L_e$

Colloidal CdSe Nanocrystals (Quantum dots).



Semiconductor Materials



Range from 30 nm QDs to bulk crystal

Graph from H. Weller, Pure Appl. Chem. 72, 295 (2000).



Absorption Spectra of Semiconductor Nanocrystals



Synthesis of monodisperse CdSe nanocrystals

$$Cd(CH_3)_2 + (oct)_3 PSe \xrightarrow{HDA-TOPO-TOP, 300^{\circ}C} \rightarrow CdSe + ...$$

PL intensity [a.u.] add. inj. add. inj. 200 min absorbance, 120 min 60 min 12 min 0.5 min 400 600 800 wavelength [nm] UV-Vis and PL spectra of CdSe

nanocrystals in growth at 300°C



D. V. Talapin, A. L. Rogach, A. Kornowski, M. Haase, H. Weller. Nano Lett. 2001, 1, 207.



PL quantum efficiency ~25-40%

Size-dependent evolution of absorption spectra of InP colloidal quantum dots

J. Phys. Chem. B, 2002, 106, 12659.

Synthesis and Characterization of Monodisperse Nanoparticles C. B. Murray IBM



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Size selective processing:





Organometallic synthesi of the II-VI Semiconductor Nanocrystals



FIG. 2.1 Cartoon of the reaction scheme for the production of monodisperse II-VI nanocrystallites by rapid pyrolysis in coordinating solvents.

Atomistic approach to structural characterization

- Nanoparticles are measured using a wide variety of techniques
- Standard approach
 - Specific modeling for each measurement.
 - Difficult to produce single unified model.
- Atomistic approach
 - Model of nanoparticle built up atom-by-atom.
 - Single model used for each technique.
 - Self-consistent, systematic and extensible methodology.



High Resolution TEM Images reveal internal lattice.



A & B CdSe C CdTe D Cobalt

Low Mag TEM allows determination of average size and shape:



Modeling of x-ray diffraction:

The Debye equation which is valid in the kinematical approximation is shown in equation $4.6^{(8)}$.

$$I(q) = I_0 \sum_{m} \sum_{n} F_m F_n \frac{\sin(qr_{m,n})}{qr_{m,n}}$$

(4.6)

Where I(q) is the scattered intensity, Io is the incident intensity, q is the scattering parameter $[q = 4\pi \sin(\theta)/l]$ for X-rays of wavelength l diffracted through angle θ . The distance between atoms m and n is r_{mn} . A discrete form of the Debye is shown in eguation (4.7)⁽⁹⁾. (4.7)

$$I(q) = I_o \frac{f^2(q)}{q} \sum_{k} \frac{\rho(r_k)}{r_k} \sin(qr)$$

where is the incident intensity, f(q) is the angle dependent scattering factor q is the scattering parameter[$4\pi \sin(\theta)/\lambda$] for X-rays of wavelength λ diffracted through angle θ . The sum is over all inter atomic distances, and $\rho(r_k)$ is the number of times a given interatomic distance r_k occurs. Since the number of discrete interatomic distances in an ordered structure grows much more slowly than the total number of distances, using the discrete form of the equation is significantly more efficient in the simulation of large crystallites⁽⁹⁾.



Modeling Stacking faults





А в Log(Scattered Intensity) (arbitrary units) (0)75.0 (m. 1 £ 1 49 (j) 42.0Å (i) 40.3Å (h) 37.6 (g) 33.8 (f) 31.6 Å 30 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 2 4 6 8 10 12 2 Theta 2 Theta

Log(Scattered Intensity) (arbitrary units)

Small angle X-ray Scattering SAXS

(4.8)
$$I(q) = I_o N[(\rho - \rho_o)^2 \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3 [3 \frac{\sin(qR) - qR\cos(qR)}{(qR)^3}]]^2$$

Where ρ and ρ_0 are the electron density of the particle and the dispersing medium respectively. I_0 is the incident intensity and N is the number of particles. F(q) is the material form factor (the fourier transform of the shape of the scattering object) and is the origin of the oscillations observed. Thus for a spherical particle of radius R

(4.9)
$$I(q) = I_o N(\rho - \rho_o)^2 F^2(q)$$

(4.10)
$$F(q) = \frac{4}{3} \pi R^{3} [3 \frac{\sin(qR) - qR\cos(qR)}{(qR)^{3}}$$



Cap exchange to modify surface:









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PbTe, PbS Nanocrystal and Nanorod







Shape Change from Sphere to Cubic and SAXS in Polymer Matrix



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WAXS of 10 nm PbSe quantum cubes slowly deposited from toluene (top) and rapidly precipitated from methanol (bottom)





Mechanisms of Particle and Wire formation



Qunatum cubes:

Cubic 12 nm PbSe nanocrystals Assembling into a superlattice.








Large terrace on PbSe Superlattice of 10 nm PbSe Nanocrystals

Solution-Liquid-Solid (SLS) Growth of Semiconductors...



- Unsuitable for quantum-wire studies...
 - Most diameters are far too large (> 20 nm)
 - Diameter distributions are far too broad
- Require monodisperse, small-diameter, catalyst nanoparticles

SLS growth of InP nanowires from monodisperse In nanoparticles...



- Polyhexadecene_{0.67}-co- PVP_{0.33} was used as "surfactant" to stabilize both In nanoparticles and InP nanowires
- Nanowire samples were grown using several sizes of monodisperse In particles
- The nanowires formed dark-red dispersions that were stable indefinitely
- Nanowire samples were analyzed by TEM

H. Yu, J. Li, R.A. Loomis, L-w. Wang, W.E. Buhro Nature Mater. 2003, 2, 517

Washington University in St. Louis

TEM images of InP nanowires: diameter control



- Nanowire diameters scale with the initial catalyst-nanoparticle diameters
- Statistical analyses confirm fairly narrow nanowire diameter distributions
- The wires are near single crystals, and are 111 oriented

Plots of ΔE_q vs. $1/d^2$ for InP quantum dots and wires...

Recall prediction for the relative slopes of the lines: $A_{wire}/A_{dot} = 0.585$



SLS growth of CdSe nanowires from Bi nanoparticles...



- No polymer stabilizer necessary to retain nanowire "solubility"
- Mean nanowire diameters varied with reaction temperature and catalyst
 nanoparticle size
- Indefinitely stable dark-red dispersions
- Nanowire specimens were analyzed by TEM; typical lengths: several μm
- Statistical analyses: diameter std. dev. = ± 10 20% of mean diameter

Yu, Li, Loomis, Gibbons, Wang, Buhro JACS 2003, 125, 16168



TEM images of CdSe nanowires...







Mechanisms of Particle and Wire formation













Straight PbSe NW (with Tetradecyl Phosphonic Acid)



Transport in single PbSe nanowire devices.





PbSe/PbTe Core/Shell NW



CdSe/CdS quantum dot - quantum rods











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Complex Compositions and Multi-Component Structures

Simultaneous Reaction A & B Compounds & Alloys



Anneal to remove Organic

Ferromagnets, Noble Metals, Semiconductor QDots, **Ferroelectrics**, **Superconductors**







Metal Nanoparticles







Au nanoparticle absorption

Surface Plasmon Resonance

- dipolar, collective excitation between negatively charge free electrons and positively charged core
- energy depends on free electron density and dielectric surroundings
- resonance sharpens with increasing particle size as scattering distance to surface increases

Electronic Properties of Semiconductor and Metal Nanoparticles



Charge not completely solvated as in infinite solid

$$C = 4\pi\varepsilon_o\varepsilon a$$

 $E_c = rac{e^2}{2C(a)}$



Courtesy of C. T. Black, Thesis, Harvard U.

Structure from discrete electronic states of metal NC

STM Measurements on Single QDs



U. Banin et al. Nature 400, 542 (1999).

Gold COLLOIDS

Preparation of 2.5 x 10⁻⁴ M Gold Colloids (Sodium Citrate Reduction Method)

1. Make a solution of ~5.0 x 10⁻³M HAuCl₄ in water. (0.1699 g HAuCl₄ in 100 mL deionized H₂O)

2. Take 1 mL of that solution and add it to another 18 mL of H_2O .

3. Make a solution of 0.5% sodium citrate (0.25g in 50 mL of H_2O).

4.Heat the 19 mL solution of $HAuCl_4$ until it begins to boil.

5.Add 1 mL of 0.5% sodium citrate solution, as soon as boiling commences.

6.Continue heating until colour change is evident (pale purple).

7.Remove the solution from the heating element and continue to stir until it has cooled to room temperature.

8. Top the solution up to 20 mL to account for boiling.



This is an old method (refereed as Turkevich method) which yields fairly uniform size colloids with diameter of 15-20 nm. See reference Turkevich, J.; Stevenson, P. L.; Hillier, J.Discuss. Faraday Soc. 1951, 11, 55

Preparation of 1.0 x 10⁻³M Ag Colloids (Sodium Citrate Reduction Method)

- 1.Make a solution of ~ 5.0 x 10⁻³M AgNO₃ in water. (0.0425 g in 50 mL deionized H_2O).
- 2.Take 25 mL of that solution and add it to another 100 mL of H_2O (now ~1.0 x 10⁻³M).
- 3. Make a solution of 1% sodium citrate (0.5 g in 50 mL of H_2O).
- 4.Heat the 125 mL solution of AgNO₃ until it begins to boil.
- 5.Add 5 mL of 1% sodium citrate solution, as soon as boiling commences.
- 6.Continue heating until a colour change is evident (pale yellow).
- 7.Remove the solution from the heating element and continue to stir until it has cooled to room temperature.
- 8. Top the solution up to 125 mL to account for boiling.

This method yields relatively large size silver nanocrystallites with a diameter of 60-80 nm and exhibits abs. max. ~420 nm. See reference *J. Phys. Chem. B*, 1998, *102*, 3123 (*Note: Use of Sodium Borohydride as a reductant can give smaller size silver nanoparticles with plasmon absorption around 380 nm. Presence of citric acid or polyvinyl alcohol can provide additional stability to these colloids*)

Preparation of Gold Particles in Toluene:

A.Hydrogen tetrachloroaurate (30 mL of 30 mM, in water).

Mass = $393g/mol' 0.03 \text{ M}' 30mL/1000mL = 0.3537g \text{ of }HAuCl_4 \text{ in } 30mL \text{ of }H_2O$

B. Tetraoctyl ammonium bromide (80 mL in 50 mM, in toluene).

Mass = 546.8g/mol ' 0.05 M ' 80ml/1000mL = 2.187g of TOAB in 80mL of toluene

1.Prepare 2.19 g of tetraoctyl ammonium bromide in 80 mL of toluene.

2.Add solution prepared in step 1. to a solution of hydrogen tetrachloroaurate (0.3537 g in $30 \text{ mL of H}_2\text{O}$).

3.Stir for 10 min.

4. Vigorously stir reaction mixture and add NaBH₄ (0.38 g in 25 mL of H_2O) dropwise over a period of ~30 min. (Ensure that organic and aqueous phases are being mixed together). 5. Stir solution for an additional 20 min.

6. Extract organic phase and wash once with diluted H_2SO_4 (for neutralization) and five times with distilled water.

7.Dry organic layer with Na_2SO_4 .

For platinum particles substitute dihydrogen hexachloroplatinate (IV) ($PtCl_{6}$, H_2O) for $HAuCl_4$ and for iridium particles substitute H_2IrCl_{6} , $4H_2O$ for $HAuCl_4$.

Yields highly concentrated gold colloidal suspension with particle diameter in the range

of 5-10 nm. Can be suspended in both polar and nonpolar solvents.

Adopted from the reference Brust, M.; Walker, M.; Bethell, D.; Schffrin, D. J. Whyman, R., J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 1994, 801-802 and George Thomas, K.Kamat, P. V. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2000, 122, 2655

Thiol Stabilized Gold Nanocrystals



Fig. 5 2D array of thiol-derivatized Au particles of 4.2 nm mean diameter. Histograms indicating particle size distribution is given. XRD pattern from this array is also shown.

Silver Nanocrystal Preparation in Organic Medium

Modification of method found in source: Korgel, B.A.; Fullam, S.; Connolly, S.; Fitzmaurice, D. *J. Phys. Chem. B* **1998**, *102*, 8379-8388. (The method described in this paper yields a precipitate of AgBr in the initial extraction process)

1.Prepare ~5.0M NaNO₃ in deionized water (12.749g NaNO₃ in 30mL H_2O). 2.Prepare ~50mM TOAB in toluene (1.367g tetraoctylammonium bromide in 50mL toluene).

3.Add the TOAB/toluene solution to the NaNO₃/water solution.

4.Stir <u>vigorously</u> for 1 hour (to remove Br^{-1} ions from solution and prevent the formation of AgBr when AgNO₃ is added).

5.Extract organic phase and set aside. Discard aqueous phase.

6.Prepare \sim 30mM AgNO₃ in water (0.0764g NaNO₃ in 14mL H₂O).

7.Add 7.5mL of 30mM AgNO₃ solution to the organic solution.

8.Stir vigorously for 45 minutes.

Part 2 of Silver Nanocrystals Synthesis.

- 9. Extract organic phase (discard aqueous layer).
- 10. Add 0.16mg (~0.189mL) of 1-dodecanethiol to organic solution (to cap the silver)
- 11. Stir vigorously for 15 minutes.
- 12. Meanwhile, prepare ~0.4M NaBH₄ in water (0.3783g NaBH₄ in 24mL H₂O).
- 13. Add 6.25mL of the NaBH₄, dropwise over a 35min. period, to the solution containing the silver (organic layer), while stirring vigorously.
- 14. Stir for \sim 15 hours (overnight).
- 15. Extract organic layer (discard aqueous layer).
- 16. Wash organic layer 3 times with dilute ethanol.
- 17. Allow to settle, and extract organic layer.
- 18. Store is closed container.

1.Take 125 mL of 1.0 x 10⁻³M solution of Ag colloids and add 12,5 mL $H_{2^{0.}}$

2.Heat this solution until it comes to a boil and then add the appropriate amount of 5.0 x 10-3M HAuCl₄. (For example: 50μ L, 100μ L, 150μ L, 300μ L, and 500μ L)





Magnetic Nanocrystals and Nanocrystal Superlattices



Surfactants (3) 1-4 nm thick (4)

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Film Growth:

Nanocrystal Superlattice



Annealed Superlattice



Patterning & addressing







Applications & Opportunities for High Energy Product magnets.



Micro/Nano Devices



Automotive and Avionic Components



Medical diagnostic system





Hard disk drives Head actuators

Various actuators in acoustic systems

Superparamagnetism



•At $T \ll T_B$, particles are ferromagnetic.









Magnetic Nanoparticles synthesis and self-assembly into thin-films



Film Growth :Self-Assembly



Nanoparticle Superlattice



Annealed Superlattice



Synthesis of Transition Metal Nanocrystals




XRD Modeling of ε -Co nanoparticles

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- TEM images show that ε -Co forms as spherical nanoparticles with narrow size distributions.
- XRD fits perfect crystalline internal structure.
- Supported by HR-TEM images of individual nanoparticles.



Cobalt Nanocrystal Superlattices (T. Betley et al)



Hexagonal packing

10 nm Cobalt NCs

Cubic packing



Materials Selection: K_uV >> kT



Shape ?

(tetragonal)

Nanoparticles for magnetic



• Smaller particles marrower transition widths

35 GBit/in² prototype media 8.5 nm grains $\sigma_{area} \cong 0.6$



S. Sun, Ch.Murray, D. Weller, L. Folks, A. Moser, Science, 287 (2000) 1989

FePt Nanoparticle Synthesis







Magnetic properties

• Annealing leads to formation of ordered, ferromagnetic phase



Magnetic properties

 Order parameter and coercivity increase with annealing temperature and duration
 3 layer samples of 6 nm FePt particles





Polymer-mediated self assembly

- Substrate surface is functionalized
- Dipped into dispersion of stabilized nanoparticles
- Ligand exchange leads to formation of strongly bound layer of nanoparticles









Synthesis and Characterization of Iron Oxide Nanoparticle

Fe3O4 Nanocrystals

(Sun and Zeng)

Fe(acac)₃ + ROH + RCOOH + RNH₂ + Ph₂O



Figure 1. TEM bright field image of 16-nm Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles deposited from their dodecane dispersion on amorphous carbon surface and dried at 60 °C for 30 min: (A) a monolayer assembly, (B) a multilayer assembly, (C) HRTEM image of a single Fe_3O_4 nanoparticle. The images were acquired from a Philips EM 430 at 300 KV.





Figure 2: TEM images of nanoparticle produced by the decomposition of iron pentacarbonyl in DOE or TOA in presence of LA and PYO. a) Spherical particle of 8 nm size. b) Superlattices of 8 nm nanoparticles. c) Mixture of spherical and cubic particle, which have a diagonal length of roughly twice of the size of the spherical particles. d) Cubic particles of 13 nm edge length and 18 nm diagonal length. e) Cubic and "star-shaped" particles. f) Aggregates of spherical particles forming "cubic" particles. g) Larger "star-shaped" particles. h) Larger strongly faceted particles. d) Large cubic particles composed of α -Fe and Fe₃O₄.



Scheme 3: Suggested model for growth of FeO particles and observed sizes. a) Particle growth after nucleation. b) Under stabilizing conditions spherical particles grow to cubes ({100}-surfaces), the preferred shape of the rocksalt structured phase. c) Partial phase-transition of the cubic FeO particle leads to aggregation under ongoing phase transition. Larger cubes or rectangles are formed. d) Phase transition leads to a change in surface chemistry und destabilizes surfactants. e) Because of less tightly bound surfactant spherical particles aggregate. f) Annealing at high temperature leads to ongoing phase-transition and structural transformation to the star-shaped particles. g) Alternative formation mechanism of cubes by aggregation of small particles. According to particle size (crystall size) the aggregation happens randomly. The crystal size of aggregating cubes is limited by separating iron layers.



Figure 8: a) TEM image of a single cubic superlattice built of cubic FeO nanocrystals with 11 nm edge length. b) TEM image of a larger superlattice oxidized or decomposed after storage. c) SAED of the cubic superlattice in b) showing reflections for magnetite and orientational ordering in the superlattice.



Figure 4: a) LRTEM image of a quadratic subunit of a TEM grid showing nearly cubic superlattice built up of cubic wuestite nanocrystals. b) SAED of a selected superlattice with uneven but symmetric intensity distribution caused by preferred alignment of the particles (orientational ordering). c) TEM image of aligned superlattices arising during deposition of cubic FeO nanocrystals in a magnetic field parallel to the substrate. d) TEM image of aggregated superlattices deposited without external magnetic field.



Figure 6: a) TEM image of wuestite nanocrystals with seeds of magnetite inside. b) SAED of the material showing a speckled pattern for FeO reflections and diffuse rings for magnetite reflections. c) Dark-field image of the region in Figure 5a (shown as negative); a part of the magnetite reflections were selected with the objective aperture. d) Dark-field image of the region in Figure 5a (shown as negative); a part of the wuestite reflections were selected with the objective aperture.

Spin-dependent tunneling in Nanocrystal arrays



▶ shortest current path ~ 8 nanocrystals

 $G_{v=0}$ follows simple thermal-activation



data fit by: $ln(G_{V=0}) = const. - E_c/k_BT$ \triangleright from fit to data, measure $E_c \sim 10 \text{ meV}$

▶ for all devices measured, $10 \text{ meV} < \text{E}_{\text{c}} < 14 \text{ meV}$

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Ferroic Nanoparticles: synthesis and selfassembly into Ferroic Nanocomposites

Target ferroelectrics: BaTiO3 SrTiO3 BaSrTiO3 Future targets Niobdates



DARPA supported personnel:

Visiting Scientist Franz Redl70%Staff: C.B Murray5%Additional costs covered by IBM

Key Opportunities to Control of Ferroic Nanomaterials

- Size and compositional control of the individual nanoparticle:
 - Particle size must be small enough to be single domain smaller than ~200nm but not so small that tetragonal structure is lost I.e. larger than 50nm
 - Must have enough polarizability character to have tunablitity but no coercivity
 - Carbon and Hydroxyl functions must be minimized in the final structures
- Engineering Nanoparticles shape control domain structure:
 - Playing off of shape & crystal anisotropy may lower energy to reversal and loss.
 - Certain novel shapes may not sustain domain walls and thus allow single domain behavoir at larger sizes.
- Multicomponent assembly may allow the mixing of properties or new properties in composites:.
 - Intimate mechanical and dipolar coupling of grains of dissimilar composition provides opportunity.
 - Controlled assembly of independently tunable ferroic particle building bocks is a long term goal.
- These techniques can not all be developed simultaneously. So we take the problem in 3 pieces, (1) Composition & Size, (2) Novel Shapes and (3) Assemblies to allow some learning in parallel.

Size and Compositional Control in Titanates Challenges of scale-up from 100mg-10g scale



12 nm SrTiO3 for Strontium titanium isopropoxide Milligram quantities preparation complete Q3 but mixed BaSrTiO3 takes a couple more months.



Mixed BaSrTiO3 Nanoparticles Milligram Quantities complete Q5.

BaSrTiO3 synthesis from injection of Individuale Ba and Sr alcoxide precursors.



React Ba and Sr precursors to make mixed alcoxide prior to initiating growth



average size 8 nm Bimodal population (Most runs look worse)

Scale Up of Reactions from Milligram to multi-gram scale:

 (1) Ocylether to expensive for scale-up solvent re-optimize reactions for phenyl ether at 1/10th the price.
 Begin processing Ba and Sr alcoxide monomers producing.

(2) Polymeric precursors at a fraction of the original polymers cost from vendor.

(3) Build and commission pilot reactor with 2 liter capacity up from Original 20ml scale.

(4) Average yield rise from 50-100mg to closer to 5-10 grams. Reaction times between 1-3 days depending on temp & desired size

Results of 5 to 10 reactions combined to provide samples delivered to Rockwell for further tests. Some 400gms of nanoparticle devilvered todate.

Quality of scale-up materials:

The average composition of the material is comparable to small batches but there is a greater variation in particle size $\sim 20\%$. Larger batches more readily secured to run over the weekend extending growth and allowing large sizes to be accessed. Average sizes move toward targets of 40-70nm range.

Examples from SrTiO3 with post synthesis anneal to remove organic.





Synthesized and annealed BaTi03 powder~60nm Particle size



Design & Assembly of Two Component Nanomaterials Shouheng Sun **Chuck Black** Franz Redl **Kyung-Sang Cho** Hao Zeng **Robert Sandstrom** Chris Murray

The precise control of composition size and shape on the nanoscale allows materials properties to be engineered.

Examples finite size effects include:

Tunable optical properties of semiconductor Q. Dots. (quantum confinement)
Coulomb blockade effect in metal nanostructures.
Superparamagnetic effects in magnetic nanoparticles.
Granular giant magneto-resistance.
Superparaelectric phenomena in nanostructured ferroelectrics.
Surface plasmons in noble metal nanostructures (Photonics & Plasmonics).

The next frontier is to control the interaction of nanostructures: Engineering the cross-coupling of properties to reveal new emergent behavior.

We are looking for new materials in a world where $1 + 1 \ge 2$ i.e. the whole is greater than the sum of the parts

Materials Science needs to move toward controlled complexity:

Collective Phenomena:

All the interesting things in chemistry & physics arise from the interplay and interference of the properties of more basic building blocks.

Nature teaches us that complex, highly functional & efficient systems can assemble from simple building blocks. These systems in turn can show complex and intelligent behavior.

Our challenge is to build more complex but controlled materials in the hope of observing, understanding and ultimately harnessing emergent behavior in these new systems.

Nanoparticles make ideal building blocks with tunable electronic, optical, magnetic and electrostatic properties and a tendency to self-organize make them ideal build blocks.



Spring-Exchange Magnetic Nanocomposites: Designing High energy product Magnetic systems. i.e. Simultaneously High Ms & High HC
Exchange-spring nanocomposites

H. Zeng & S. Sun



Illustration of a modulated hardsoft exchange-coupled system



Magnetic hysteresis loops for a nonexchange coupled system (top) and an exchange-coupled system (bottom). ➢An exchange-spring composite contains two modulated phases that are in intimate contact with one being magnetically hard and another magnetically soft.

≻The system can store high density magnetic energy because it has both large coercivity and high magnetic moment, and is ideal for future permanent magnetic nanodevice applications.

The key to effective exchangecoupling is to control the size of the soft phase at ~<10nm.</p>

Self-assembly has been proven to be a unique way of forming exchange-spring nanocomposites.

Magnetic Nanomaterials for Functional Nanodevices

Researchers: Shouheng Sun, Hao Zeng, Min Chen



Hard-soft exchange-coupled nanocomposites via self-assembly of two kinds of NPs





(1) Self-Assembly to mix two kinds of nanoparticles



(2) Reductive annealing to reduce metal oxide to metal and to remove organic surfactants.

A nanoparticle dispersion in an organic solvent. The particles are stabilized by a layer of organic surfactant to prevent them from aggregation.



Hard-soft exchange coupled nanocomposite



TEM images of two different binary assemblies prepared directly from particle dispersions of 4 nm FePt nanoparticles as well as 4 nm Fe_3O_4 and 8 nm Fe_3O_4 .



HRTEM image of an exchange-coupled nanocomposite (FePt-Fe₃Pt) made from 4nm FePt and 4nm Fe₃O₄ nanoparticles under reductive annealing. Shown here is a modulated structure with FePt and Fe₃Pt in intimate contact, resulting in exchange-coupling.



Hysteresis loops at room temperature with the composites from 4nm:4nm and 4nm:8nm nanoparticles respectively.

(BH)max, energy product, reflects the ability for a composite to store the magnetic energy, the larger the better. **Binary Nanocrystal Array's a New Class of Nanostructured Materials Franz Redl, Kyung-Sang Cho and C. B. Murray**

Nanocomposites of: Ferromagnets, Noble Metals, Semiconductor QDs, Semimetals, Ferroelectrics, Superconductors, may all be possible to explore for New emergent properties.



New Near IR Magneto-Optic Composite ~13nm Fe2O3 and 5nm PbSe Q.Dots Packed in an AB₁₃ (NaZn₁₃) structure with 4.5 Million atoms in the unit cell.











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Shape Change from Sphere to Cubic and SAXS in Polymer Matrix







Preliminary results on AB₅ (CuCa₅) binary superlattice



Figure 4: TEM micrographs and sketches of AB₅ superlattices (isostructural with intermetallic phase CaCu₅, SG 191) of 11 nm γ -Fe₂O₃ and 6.3 nm PbSe NCs. **a**) Depiction of the CaCu₅ structure as trigonal face-centred prism or layers. **b**) Hexagonal AB₅ unit cell. **c**) Depiction of the (001) plane. **d**) Projection of the (001)_{SL} plane. **e**) Projection of the (001)_{SL} plane at high magnification. **f**) Small angle electron diffraction pattern from a 6 μ m² (001)_{SL} area.



polymer self assembly

- Diblock copolymer molecules self organize into ordered phase morphologies
- Nanostructure dimensions (~10-100 nm) depend on polymer molecular weight





- - process integration - -

high-aspect-ratio silicon structures



nanotextured Si surface





dense silicon pillar array

C. T. Black and K. Guarini

- - applications - -

nanocrystal memories may improve FLASH scaling nonvolatile memory



potential advantages:

- improved charge retention for same program ox thickness (lower power, faster, improved cyclability)
- reduced stress-induced leakage current
- (possibly) multi-bit storage via single-electron charging effects (with suitable nanocrystal size/uniformity)



- - applications - -



- nanocrystal MOS capacitors show ΔV_{FB} at low write voltages:
 - $\Delta V_{FB} \sim 0.25 \text{ V for -4 V write}$

 ΔV_{FB} ~ 0.75 V for -6 V write

- in progress: evaluation of effect of control ox thickness, program ox thickness, and substrate doping
- **next**: evaluation of device retention time, write speed, & cyclability patent disclosure YOR8-2003-0152

Self-assembled Templates to Organize Nanoparticles

NanoDimpling and NanoRoughening

total # of template holes total # of 1 nanoxtals/hole	= 227 = 167	
total # of 2 or more nanoxtals/hole	e = 3	"particles on surface" test for
total # of no nanoxtals	= 57	90s etched in SF6+CF3Br
75% coverage for 45sec wa	ait	on 14nm
100nm	EHT = 5.00 kV Signal A	= InLens Date :4 Apr 2003
Mag = 157.43 K X	WD = 2 mm Photo No	b. = 171 Time :17:11:00

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(total # of template holes = 230) (total # of 1 nanoxtals/hole = 56) (total # of 2 nanoxtals/hole = 151) (total # of 3 nanoxtals/hole = 23)

100% nanoxtals/hole coverage for 45sec nanoxtal residence wait time

Pmma/PS Diblock Copolymer Template has 20nm ϕ with 40nm spacing and Fe_xO 12-14nm ϕ nanoxtals R.L.Sandstrom (NanoScale Materials & Devices Group) April 24, 2003



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Complex Compositions and Multi-Component Structures

