Nanostructured **Carbon** and the Nano- Technology Michigan State Uni

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It is never late ...



Nanocarbon pioneers

- The C₆₀ 'buckyball' and other fullerenes:
 - successful synthesis
 - potential applications:
 lubrication
 superconductivity

Nanotubes:

- successful synthesis
- potential applications:
 composites
 Li-ion batteries
 medication delivery
 EMI shielding
 hydrogen storage



Carbon nanotubes



∠1-20 nm diameter Atomically perfect *Chemically inert* ▲ 00 times stronger than steel Extremely high melting temperature Adeal (ballistic) conductors of electrons, or insulators deal heat conductors Non-toxic

Commercial production of nanotubes



Building the naroworld



Limassol, Cyprus http://www.e-nanoscience.com



What to expect from computer modeling

Zooming in beyond observation



Computational tools

- Electronic structure calculations based on the *ab initio* Density Functional formalism
- Time evolution of electronic wave functions: Time-Dependent Density Functional formalism
- Atomic motion: Molecular dynamics simulations with electrons in the ground and excited state
- Forces from total energy expressions:

$$\Xi_{tot} = E_{tot}(\{R_i\}) = E_{tot}\{?(r)\}$$

ab initio Density Functional formalism

$$E_{tot} = S_i E_{coh} (i) = S_i [E_{bs} (i) + E_{rep} (i)]$$

parametrized LCAO formalism (CRT)

Massively parallel computer architectures and suitable algorithms distribute load over processors for speed-up

The Nanocarbon Laboratory: Earth Simulator, Tokyo



April 20, 2002

Japanese Computer Is World's Fastest, as U.S. Falls Back

By JOHN MARKOFF

S AN FRANCISCO, April 19 — A Japanese laboratory has built the world's fastest computer, a machine so powerful that it matches the raw processing power of the 20 fastest American computers combined and far outstrips the previous leader, an <u>LB.M.</u>-built machine.

Performance of MD Simulations on the Earth Simulator





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Curious Morphologies: Function Follows Form

High Thermal Conductivity of Nanotubes



Savas Berber, Young-Kyun Kwon, and David Tománek, Phys. Rev. Lett. 84, 4613 (2000)

? Nanotubes may help solve the heat problem: Efficient conductors of electrons and heat

- ? Record Heat Conductivity:
 - * Diamond (isotopically pure): 3320 W/m/K
 - * Nanotubes: 6,600 W/m/K (theory, SWNT) >3,000 W/m/K (experiment, MWNT)

(room temperature values) (combination of large phonon mean free path, speed of sound, Debye temperature)

Negative thermal expansion of nanotubes



Savas Berber, Young-Kyun Kwon, and David Tománek, Phys. Rev. Lett. 92, 015901 (2004).

- ? Nanotubes contract rather than expand
- ? Physical origin: length contraction due to a gain in configurational and vibrational entropy
- ? Challenge: Large unit cells with >100,000 atoms required

Magnetism in nanostructured carbon

•A. V. Rode, E. G. Gamaly, A. G. Christy, S. T. Hyde, R. G. Elliman, B. Luther-Davies, A. I. Veinger, J. Giapintzakis, J. Androulakis, Noejung Park, Mina Yoon, Savas Berber, Jisoon Ihm, Eiji Osawa, and David Tománek

•Synthesis by Laser Ablation of Amorphous Carbon





Scanning Electron Microscopy Image and possible structure of Nanostructured Carbon Foam

Ferromagnetic behavior (all known carbons are diamagnetic!)

Fifth element?

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Mittwoch, 24. März 2004

Das fünfte Element

Leicht, luftig, locker: Physiker entwickeln einen magnetischen, halbleitenden Nanoschaum aus

Kohlenstoff

Fifth form of carbon?

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Scientists create fifth form of carbon

Jim Giles

Magnetic carbon 'nanofoam' could find medical applications.

Researchers have created a new form of carbon: a spongy solid that is extremely lightweight and, unusually, attracted to magnets. The foam could one day help treat cancer and enhance brain scans, say the inventors.

The new structure was created when physicists at the Australian National University in Canberra bombarded a carbon target with a laser capable of firing 10,000 pulses a second. As the carbon reached temperatures of around 10,000 °C, it formed an intersecting web of carbon tubes, each just a few billionths of a metre long. The researchers have called the solid a 'nanofoam'.

John Giapintzakis of the University of Crete has used an electron microscope to study the structure of the nanofoam. He says it is the fifth form of carbon known after graphite, diamond and two recently discovered types: hollow spheres, known as buckminsterfullerenes or buckyballs, and nanotubes.



The new carbon foam is unusually attracted to magnets. © Photodisc

© Nature Publishing Group 2004 It could help treat tumours, says David Tománek of Michigan State University, who has also worked with the foam. He points out that the new structure is very bad at transferring heat. So Tománek proposes that the foam could be injected into tumours, and the tumours exposed to infrared radiations. The foam would absorb the radiation and kill the tumour as it heated up, he suggests, without heating the surrounding tissue.

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Why should carbon foam be magnetic?



? Physical origin:

Sterically protected carbon radicals are stabilized in surfaces with a negative Gaussian curvature

? Spin polarized electrons are delocalized across entire structure

Noejung Park, Mina Yoon, Savas Berber, Jisoon Ihm, Eiji Osawa, and David Tománek, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 237204 (2003).

Itinerant ferromagnetism in C/BN heterostructured nanotubes



Jin Choi, Yong-Hyun Kim, Keejoo Chang, David Tománek, Phys. Rev. B 67, 125421 (2003)

Nanotube hooks as nano-velcro



☐ SEM of curly nanotubes (J.-C. Gabriel)

HRTEM of a nanohook (S. lijima)



Permanent bending due to pentagon-heptagon insertion creates hooks:



nano VELCRO bond



Mating nanotube hook elements Strong, permanent bonds Self-repairing bonds Chemically inert and non-toxic Thermally stable Good thermal and electrical conductors J.S. Patent pending (Tomanek/Enbody/Kwon)

Savas Berber, Young-Kyun Kwon, and David Tománek, Bonding and Energy Dissipation in a Nanohook Assembly, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 165503 (2003).

Toughness of nano VELCRO



Nanotube peapods: nano-memory and beyond





A Pea in a Pod: The Bucky Shuttle

Young-Kyun Kwon, David Tománek, and Sumio lijima, Phys. Rev. Lett. 82, 1470 (1999)

C_{60} @nano-capsule: Non-volatile memory

•Left/Right=Bit 0/Bit 1 Packing density: <5 TB/cm²
 U.S. Patent 6,473,351

•Writing speed: <1 THz

Uses beyond computer memory

SWNT

•Intercalation of other species (Sumio Iijima)

•Possible New Applications:

-Pressure container (e.g. Li, hydrogen storage)

-Chemical reaction vessel



Gd@Ce2)@SWNT

Insertion of fullerenes into peapods

Savas Berber, Young-Kyun Kwon, and David Tománek, Microscopic Formation Mechanism of Nanotube Peapods, Phys. Rev. Lett. 88, 185502 (2002).



Microscopic mechanism: •Through a nanotube end?

•Through a side hole?

•Dependence on initial conditions: C₆₀ take-off velocity? C₆₀ take-off angle?

End-on encapsulation



Side hole encapsulation



Simulations show that encapsulation through a large defect is most efficient

Diamondoids@Nanotubes



diamondoid particles

•Hydrogen-terminated, nanometer-size diamondoid particles were isolated experimentally [J.E. Dahl et al., Science **299**,96-99(2003)]

 Possible application in nanotechnology: functional building blocks with tunable electronic, structural properties



 Possible encapsulation in nanotubes provides for more complex nanostructures





Properties of lower diamondoids

Adamantane: $C_{10}H_{16}$ (G.C. McIntosh) ? E = -170.530 eV (atomization energy) ? ?_f = -60.51 eV (formation energy w.r.t. H₂, diamond) ? E_f/N_c = -6.051 eV (formation energy per carbon atom w.r.t. H₂, diamond)



Hexamantane:C₃₀H₃₆ (G.C. McIntosh)







Diamodoid chain: C_nH_n (N. Park)

Polyacetylene@Nanotubes A designer superconductor? **Facts:**

Jndoped metallic nanotubes are superconductors Doped polyacetylene ropes are conductors

Exo- and endohedral PA/CNT system:

Potential superconductor?







Exohedral

Endohedral

Gregory McIntosh, Yung Woo Park, and David Tománek, Phys. Rev. B 67, 125419 (2003)

Electronic structure changes

Charge redistribution









Density of states

Findings:

A small CNT/PA hybridization modifies electronic structure near E_F

An Hove singularities of PA appear near the CNT Fermi level

 \swarrow One of the PA-induced singularites is pinned at E_F , thus increasing N(E_F)

This effect may increase T_c of undoped CNTs

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Structural transformations in fullerenes and nanotubes

Fusion of fullerenes in peapods



Fig. 1. Transmission electron microscopy images. (A) is for $(C_{60})_n$ @SWNTs, (B) for $(C_{60})_n$ @SWNTs heated in $(<10^{-6}$ Torr) at 800°C for 14 h (HT800), (C) for HT100 (D) for HT1200. A and B indicate similar electron micro images, but in B we can occasionally find that some c adjacent C_{60} molecules are linked together as indicate arrowheads. In C, some of the C_{60} molecules coalesce tog and transform to a tubular structure. In D, no C_{60} molecu be observed but we easily find DWNTs; in some of ther inside-tubes are terminated by caps and the lengths an order of ~10 nm.

[S. Bandow, M. Takizawa, K. Hirahara,M. Yudasaka, and S. Iijima,Chem. Phys. Lett. 337, 48 (2001)]

Stone-Wales rearrangement pathway for fusion of fullerenes

[Hiroshi Ueno, Shuichi Osawa, Eiji Osawa, and Kazuo Takeuchi, Fullerene Science And Technology **6**, 319-338 (1998)]



puzzle

Do we understand the energetics?

Do we understand the Stone-Wales process?



Search in 360-dimensional configuration space using string method:

Stone-Wales is a multi-step process •Activation barriers do not exceed ~ 5eV



Minimum energy path for the $2C_{60}$? C_{120} fusion





Sequence of Stone-Wales transformations



- ∠ Conclusions:
 - -Fusion is exothermic. Energy gain ? E[~] 1Ry.
 -Essential initial step: (2+2) cycloaddition
 -Initial step facilitated by internal pressure

Fusion of nanotubes

The zipper mechanism

M. Yoon, S. Han, G. Kim, S. Lee, S. Berber, E. Osawa, J. Ihm, M. Terrones, F. Banhart, J.-C. Charlier, N. Grobert, H. Terrones, P. M. Ajayan, D. Tománek, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 075504 (2004).



Zipper

Geometry of fusing Nanopants



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Defect tolerance of nanotubes



Defects limit performance, lifetime of devices

Are CNT devices as sensitive to defects as Si-LSI circuits?



atomic vacancy

Will atomic vacancies trigger failure under high temperatures?
#lumination?

Stability of defective tubes at high temperatures

? Danger of pre-melting near vacancies?



T= 0 K

- ? Nanotube remains intact until 4,000 K
- ? Self-healing behavior: Formation of new bond helps recover structural stiffness conductance

T= 4,000 K

Stability of defective tubes during electronic excitations



Challenges:

? Perform Molecular Dynamics simulations on the adiabatic surface of an electronically excited state

? Solve the time-dependent Schrödinger equation for electrons during ionic motion

First-principles Molecular Dynamics simulation on the adiabatic surface of an electronically excited state



- ? First-Principles Simulation tool for Electron-Ion Dynamics
- ? Details: Sugino & Miyamoto PRB 59, 2579 (1999); PRB 66, 89901 (2002).

Optical excitation (?E=0.9 eV)



Time evolution of the electronic states



? Very long-lived excitation

? Correct PES is followed in case of level alternation

Structural changes under illumination



? Self-healing due to new bond formation Y. Miyamoto, S. Berber, M. Yoon, A. Rubio, D. Tománek, Can Photo Excitations Heal Defects in Carbon Nanotubes? Chem. Phys. Lett. 392, 209–213 (2004)

Deoxidation of defective nanotubes



By heat treatment?

? No: Larger damage to nanotube



Temperature/ K

By chemical treatment with H?



Yoshiyuki Miyamoto, Noboru Jinbo, Hisashi Nakamura, Angel Rubio, and David Tománek, Photosurgical Deoxidation of Nanotubes, Phys. Rev. B 70 (2004).

Alternative to thermal and chemical treatment *Electronic excitations!*

Auger decay following the O1s? 2p excitation (~520 eV)

? Deoxidation by photo-surgery

Nanotube 2005

6th International Conference on the Science and Application of Carbon Nanotubes 26 June - 1 July 2005

URL:http://www.fy.chalmers.se/conferences/nt05orhttp://nanotube.msu.edu/nt05/

Summary and Conclusions

- Exceptionally high thermal conductance of nanotubes results from the 1D structure and large phonon mean free path.
- Nanotubes exhibit thermal contraction.
- Nanostructured carbon may become magnetic.
- Insertion of fullerenes in nanotubes yields new nanostructures with intriguing properties.
- Nanotubes act as an autoclave to facilitate reactions between encapsulated molecules.
- Fusion of fullerenes inside a nanotube starts with a cycloaddition and continues exclusively with Stone-Wales transformations.
- Fusion of nanotubes occurs efficiently via a zipper mechanism.
- Self-healing behavior occurs in defective nanotubes.
- Electronic excitations can selectively remove impurities.

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