

Orbital magnetic moment in pure and doped carbon nanotubes

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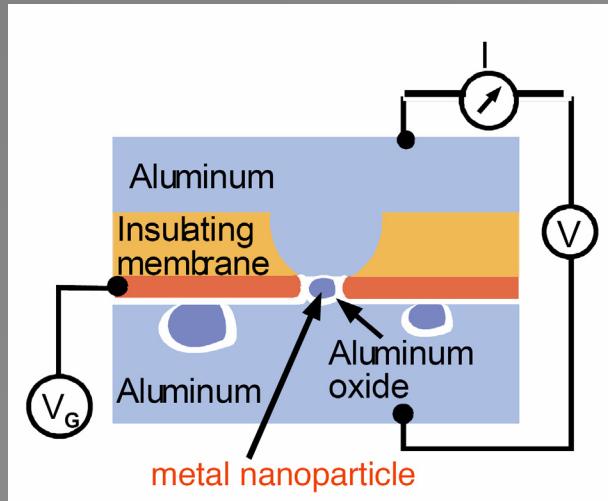
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Coulomb blockade in a quantum dot

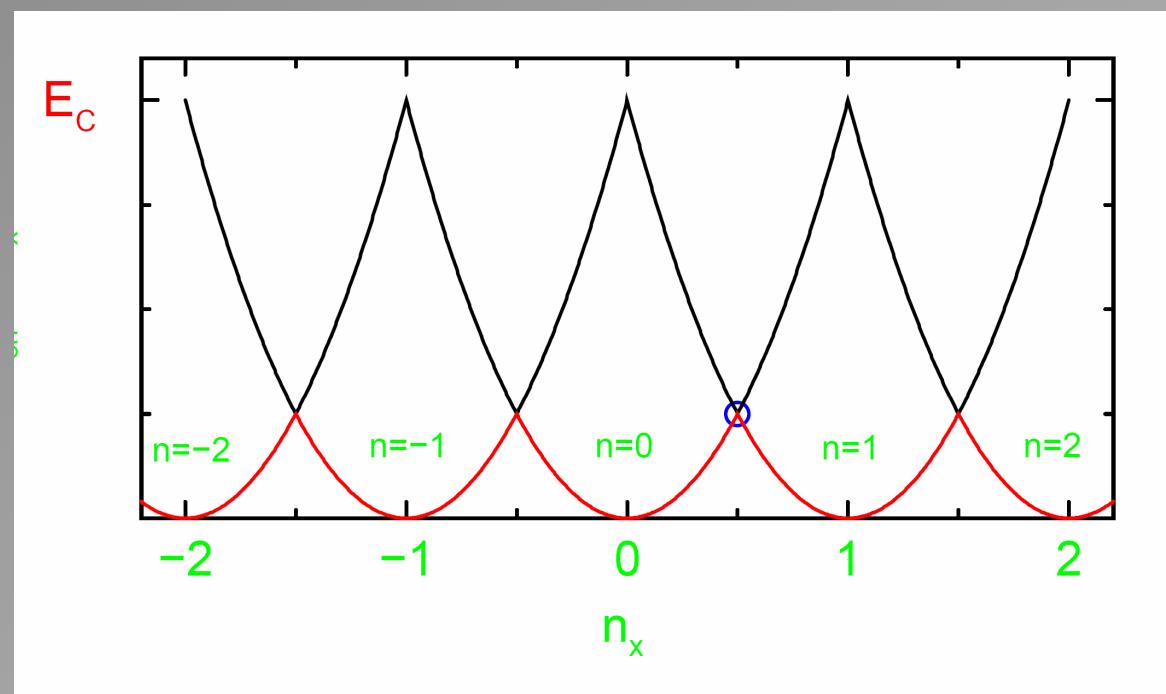


Energy of an
n-electron quantum
dot

$$E(n) = \frac{(ne - V_g C_g)^2}{2C}$$

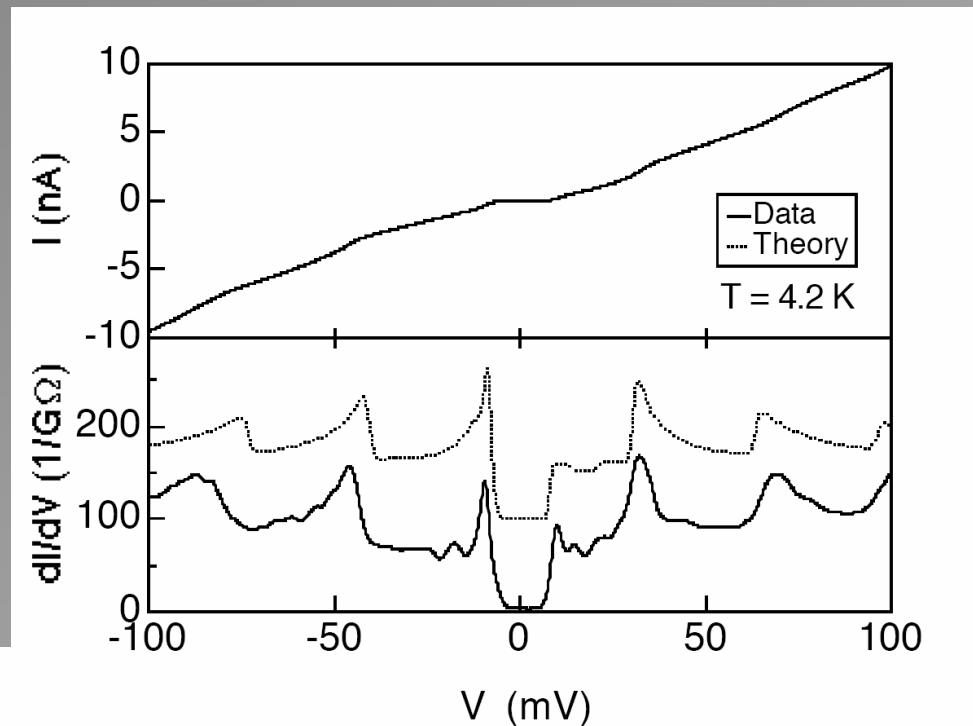
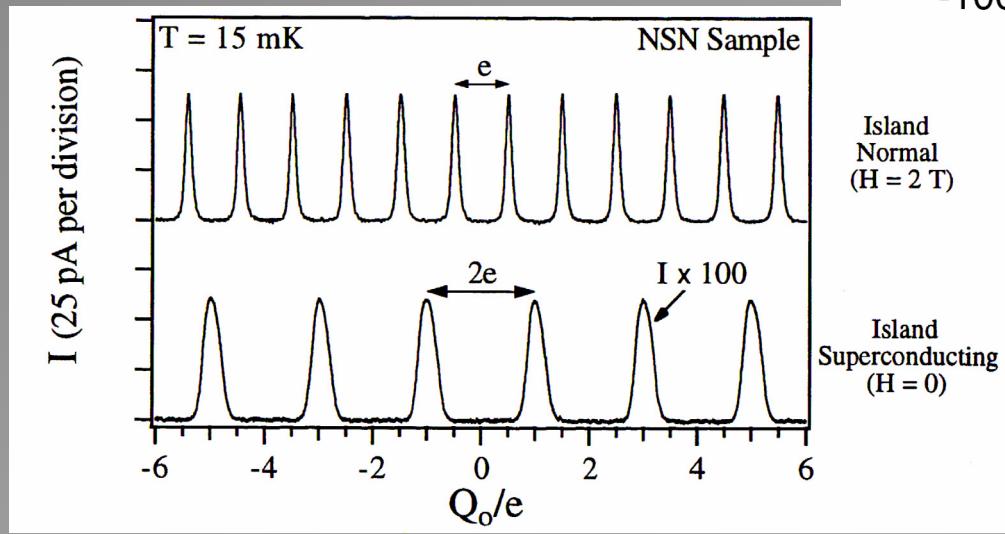
- Condensator charging energy

$$E = \frac{Q^2}{2C}$$



Current-voltage characteristics of a quantum dot

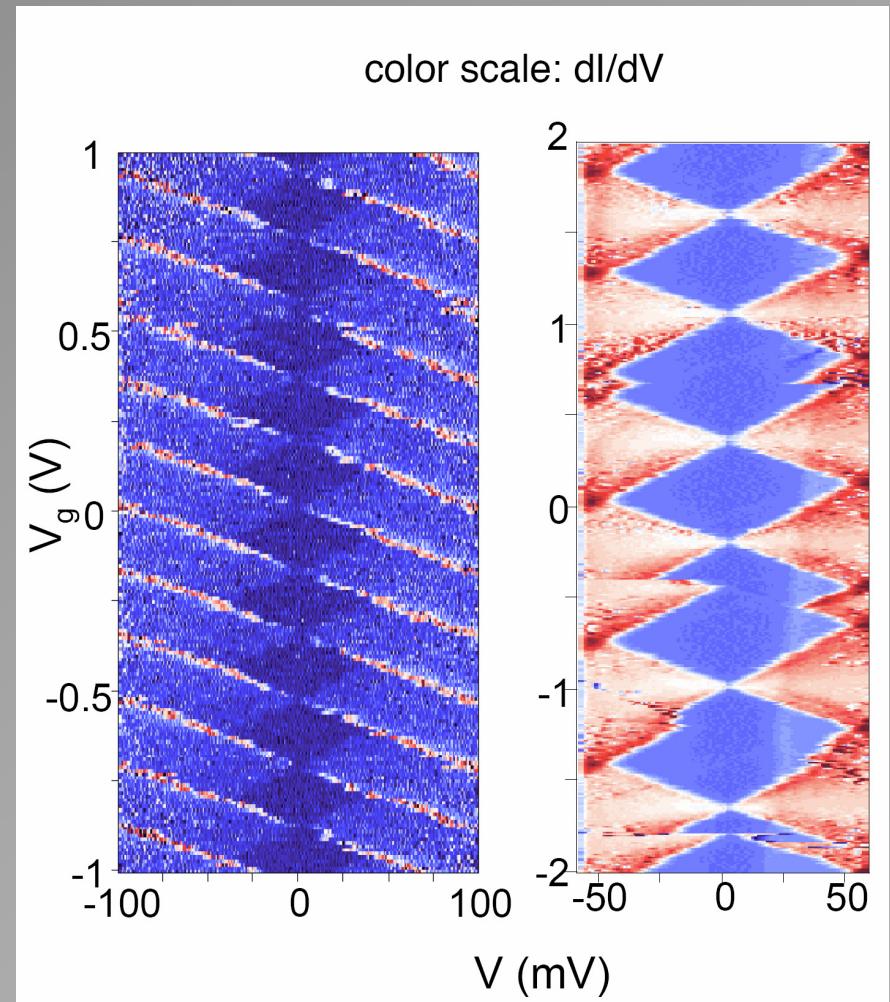
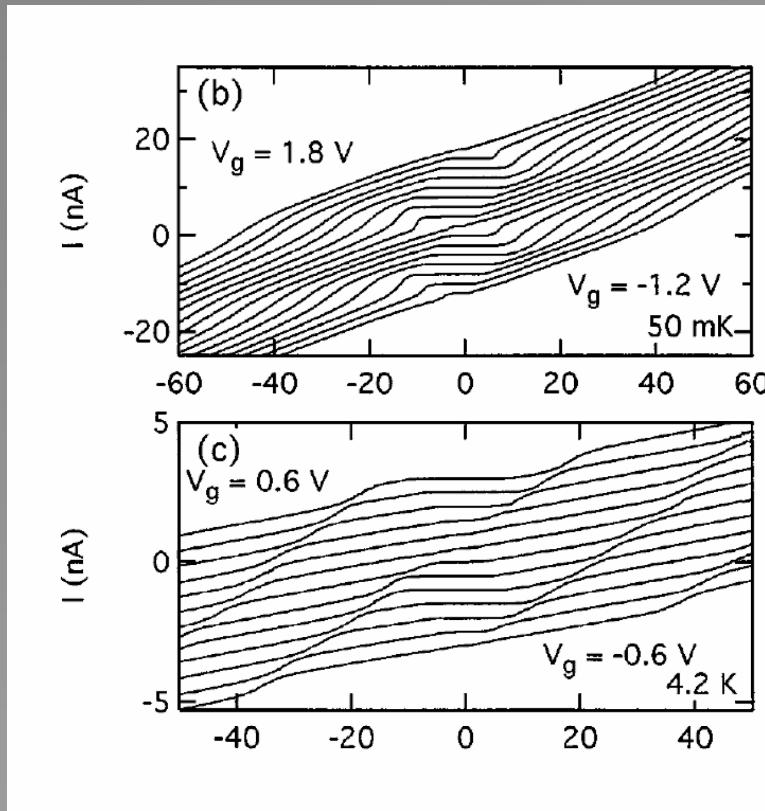
The conductance of a state sharply increases when the energy of the n -electron state is the same as of the $n+1$ -electron state.



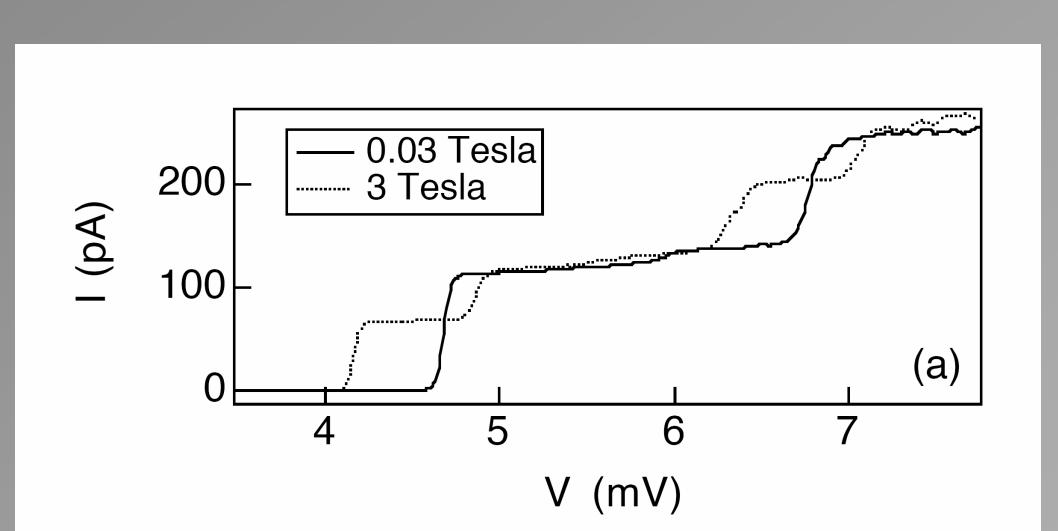
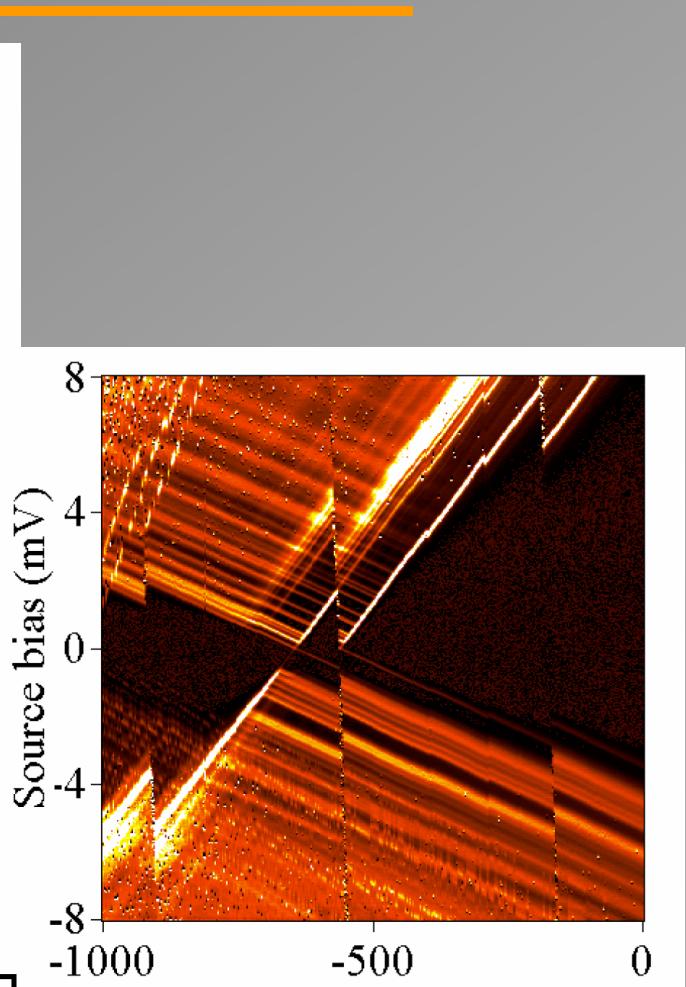
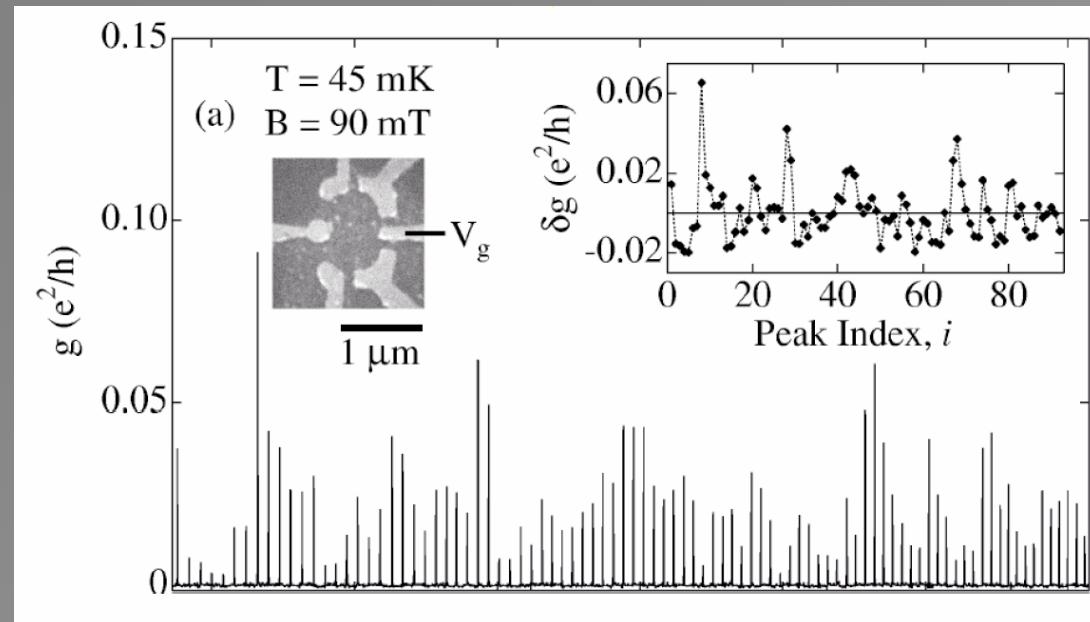
Differential conductance dI/dV

Quantum dot conductance can be controlled by the gate voltage.

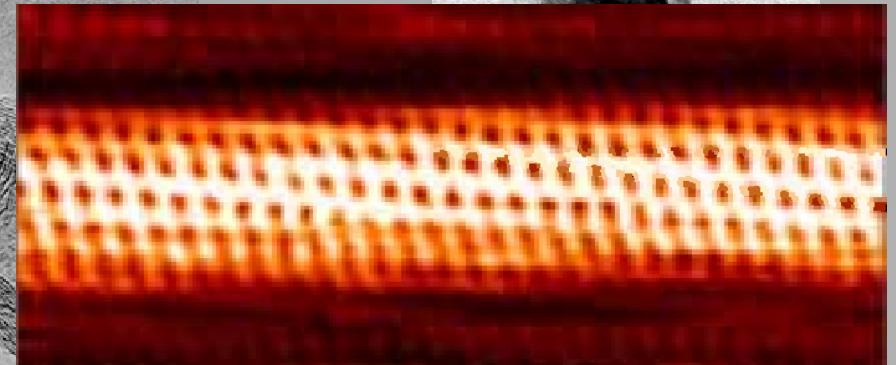
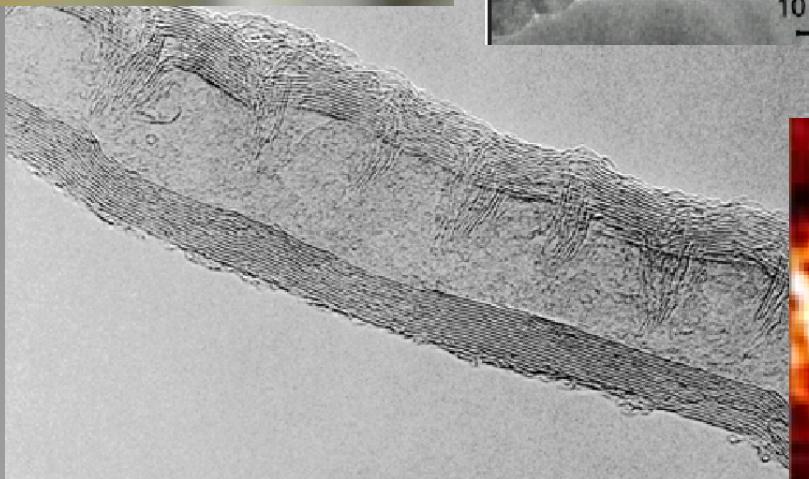
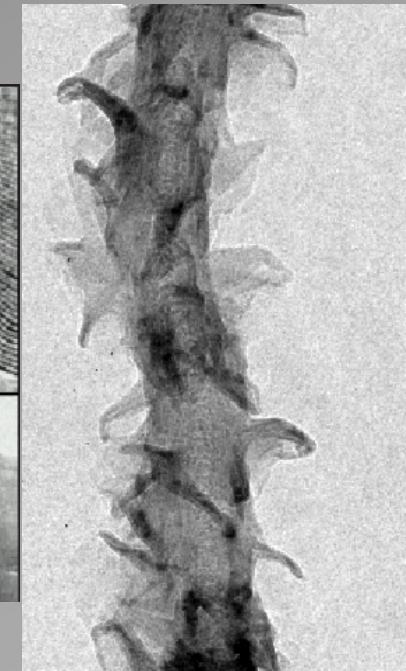
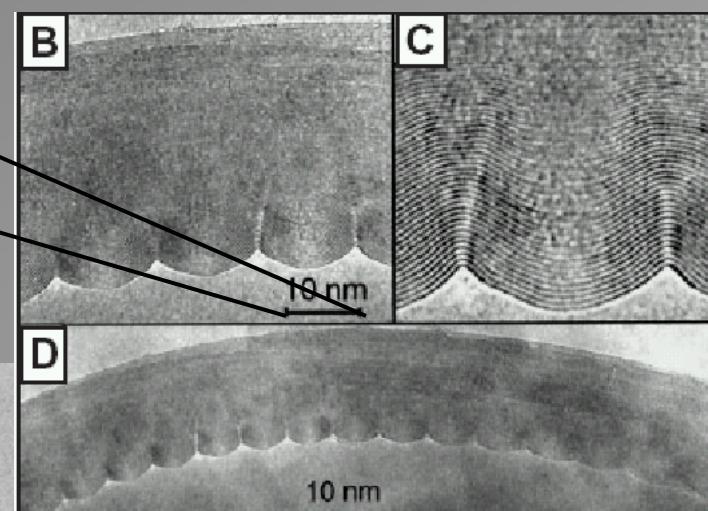
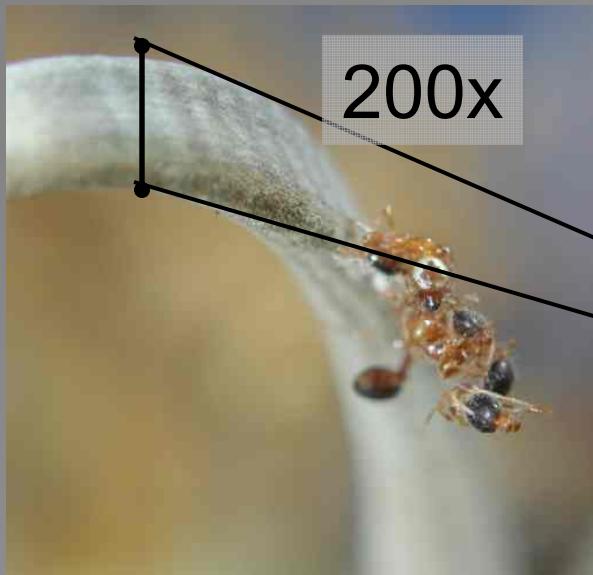
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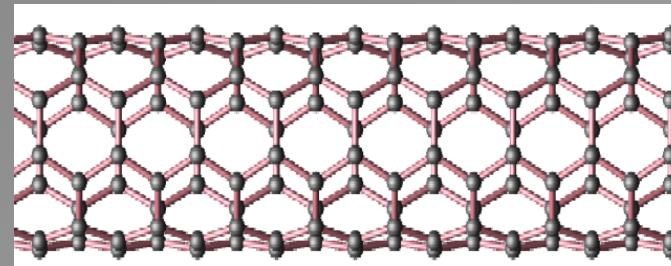
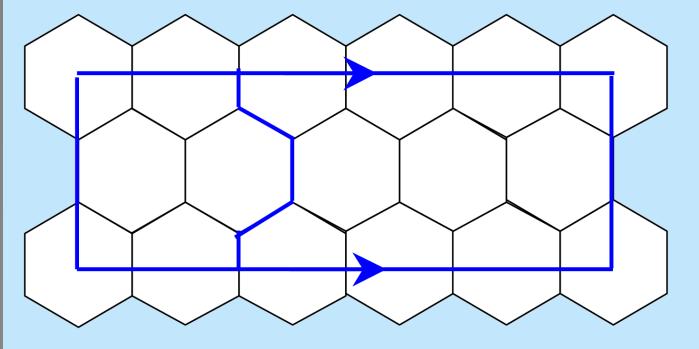
Coulomb blockade – discrete levels



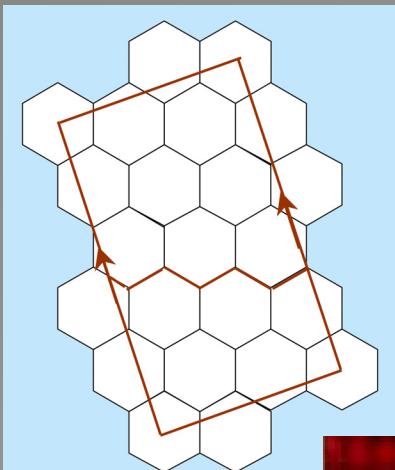
Carbon nanotubes



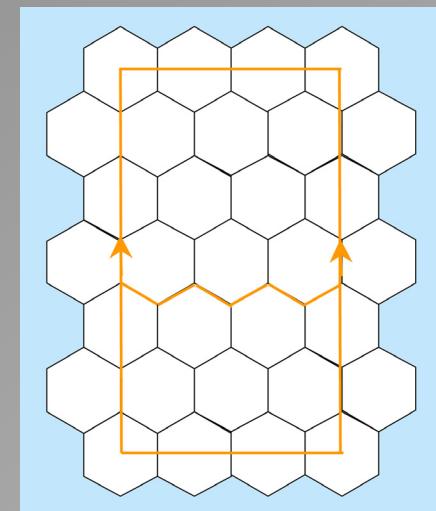
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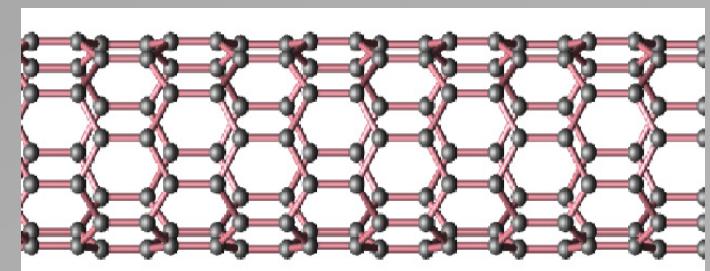
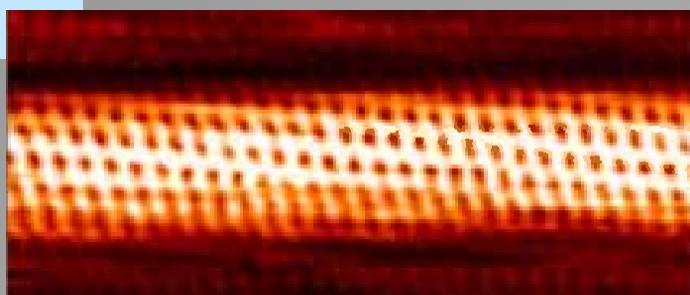
Armchair



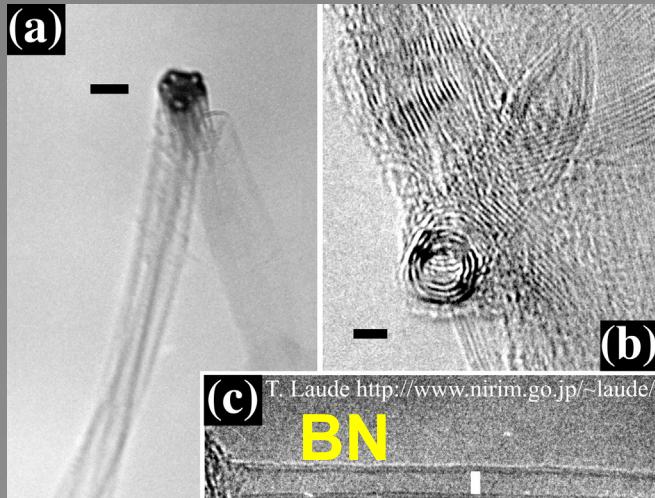
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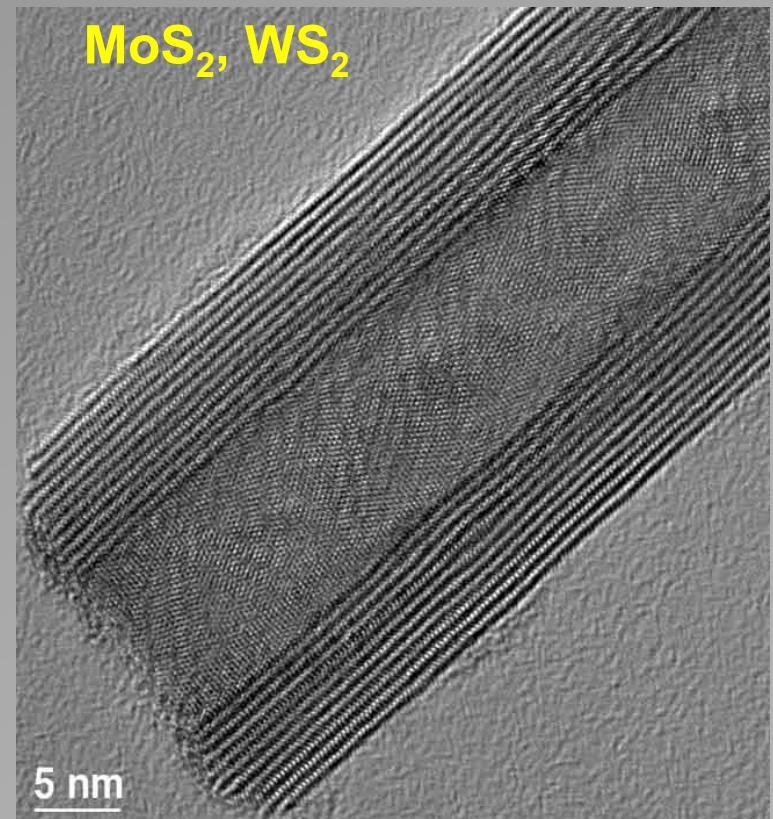
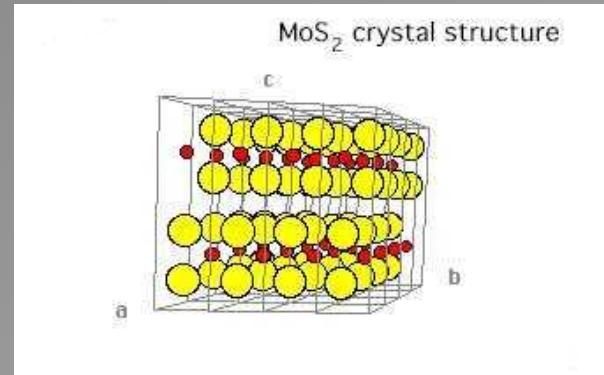
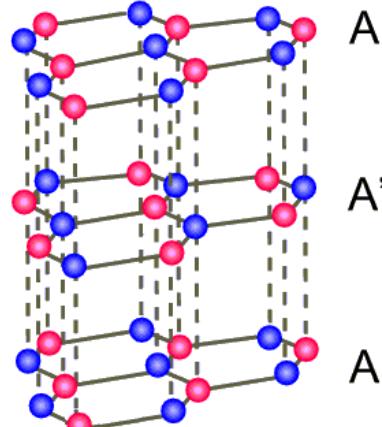
Zigzag



Inorganic nanotubes



hexagonal BN (*h*BN)



Aharonov-Bohm effect and persistent currents

Vector potential modifies boundary conditions:



$$\begin{aligned} \exp(ikL) &\rightarrow \exp\left(\frac{i}{\hbar} \oint (\mathbf{p} - e\mathbf{A}) \cdot d\mathbf{r}\right) = \exp\left(ikL - i\frac{e}{\hbar} \int \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{S}\right) = \\ &= \exp\left(ikL + i\frac{e}{\hbar}\phi\right) = \exp\left(i2\pi(n + \frac{\phi}{\phi_0})\right), \end{aligned}$$

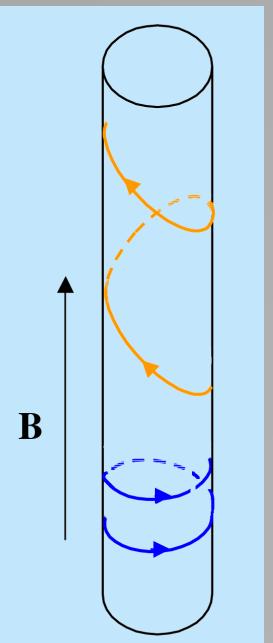
Momentum states are shifted in the direction perpendicular to the magnetic field

$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{L}_\perp = 2\pi(l_\perp + \frac{\phi}{\phi_0}), \quad l_\perp \in \mathbb{Z},$$

Each electron carries the current given by

$$I_{\mathbf{k}}(\phi) = -\frac{\partial E_{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial \phi} = -\frac{\partial E_{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial k_l} \frac{\partial k_l}{\partial \phi} = -\frac{\partial E_{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial k_l} \frac{2\pi}{\phi_0 |\mathbf{L}_t|}$$

These currents don't cancel out at nonzero fields.

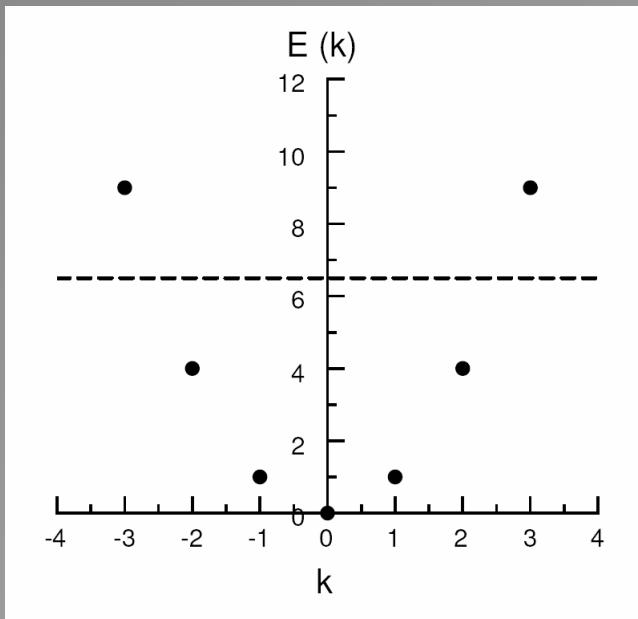


Persistent currents in mesoscopic rings

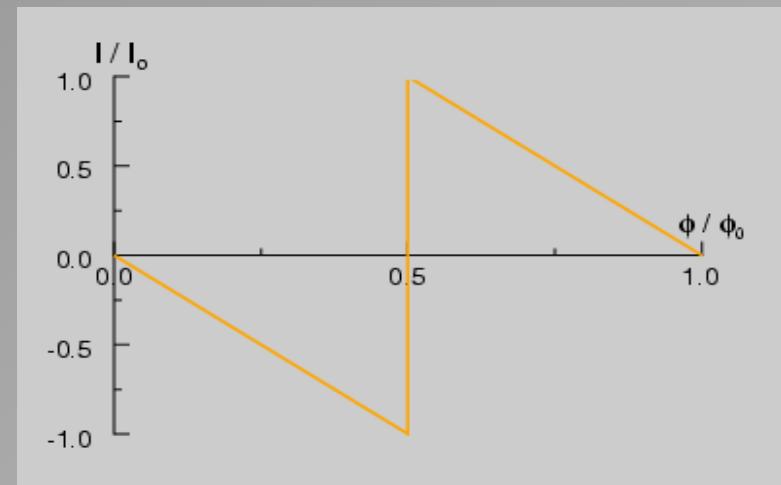
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For odd number of electrons



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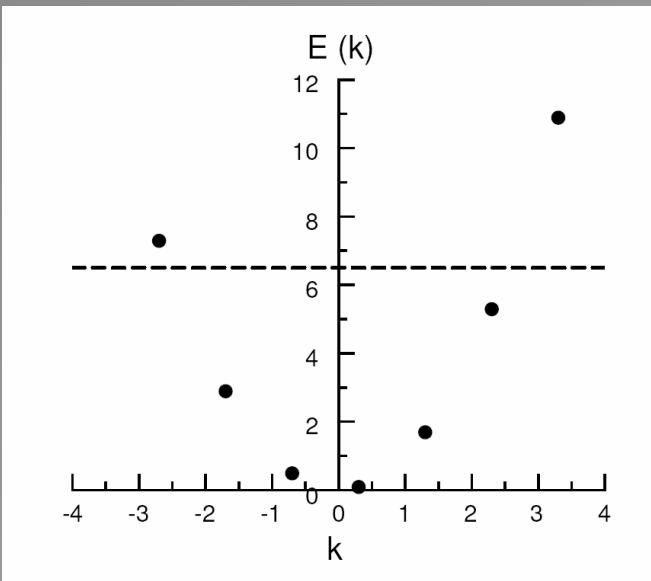


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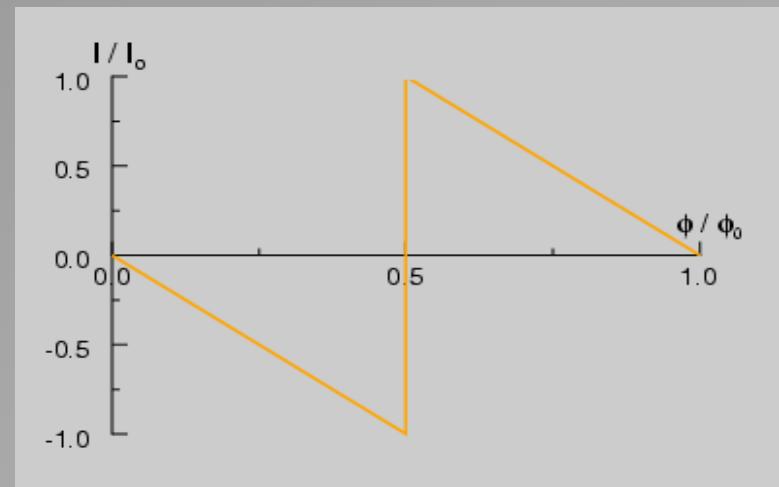
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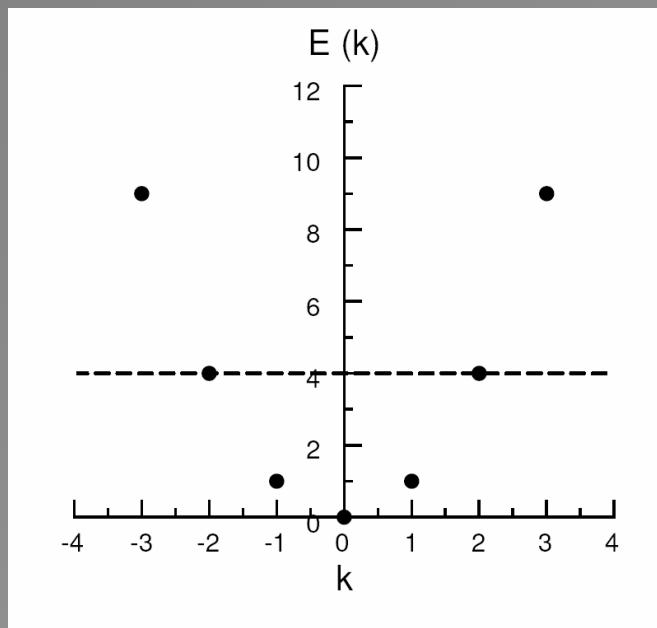


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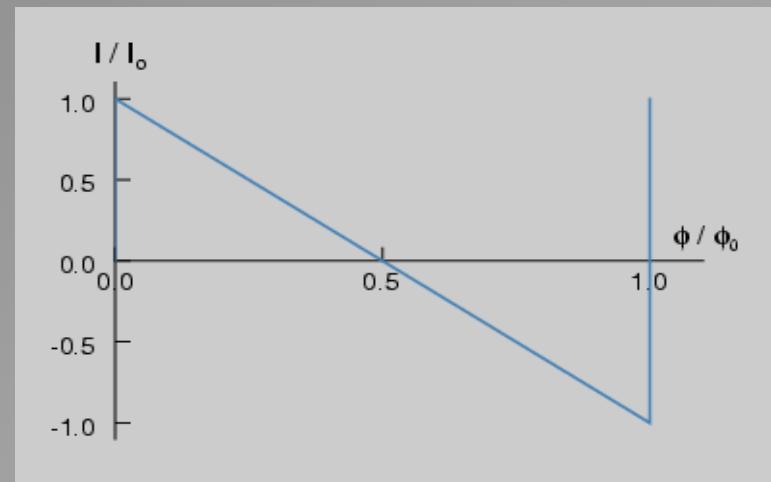


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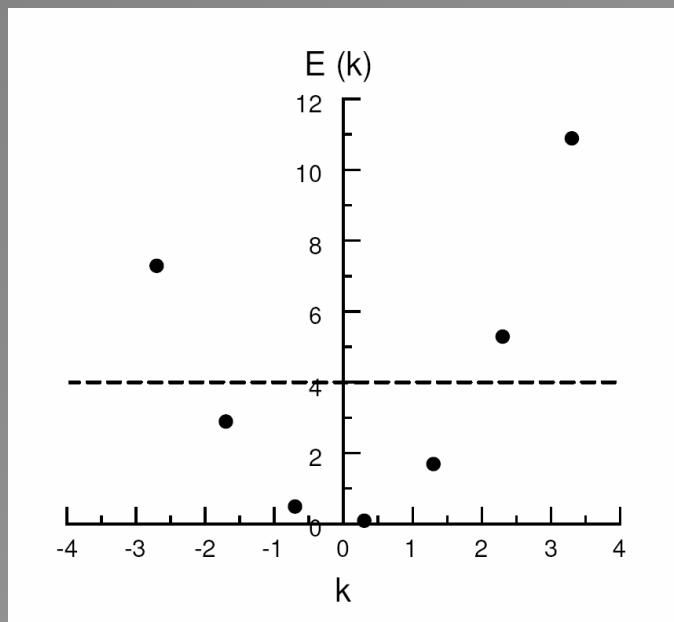
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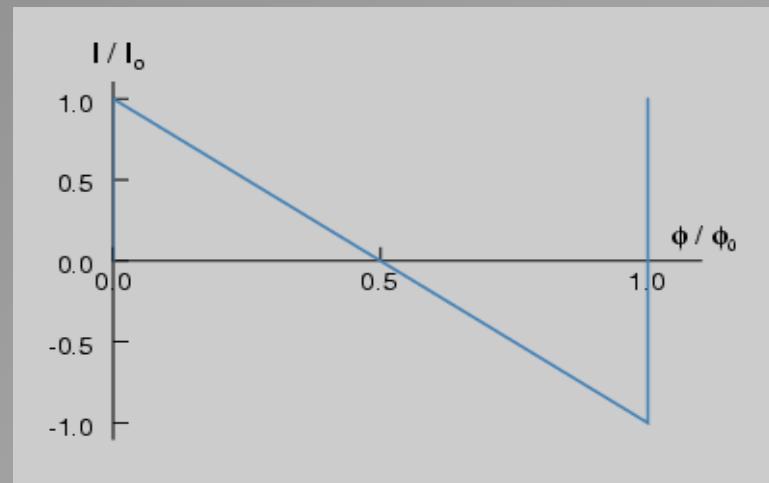
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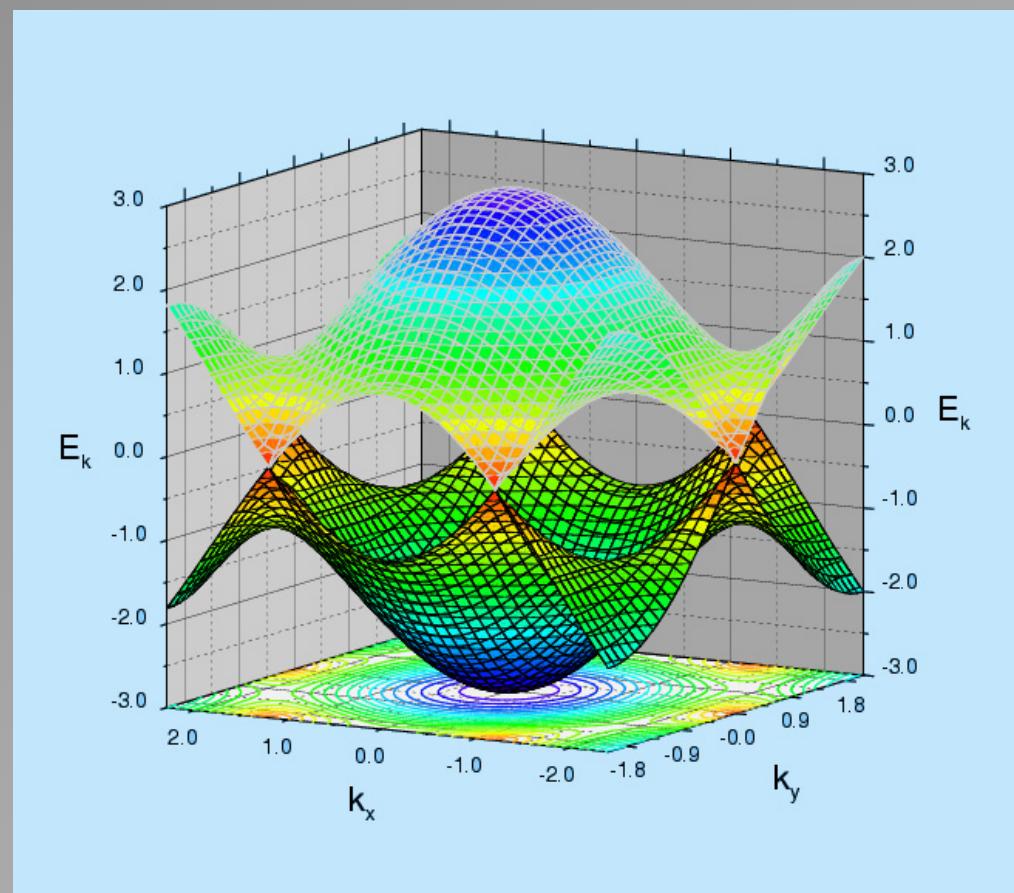
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Carbon nanotubes – dispersion relation

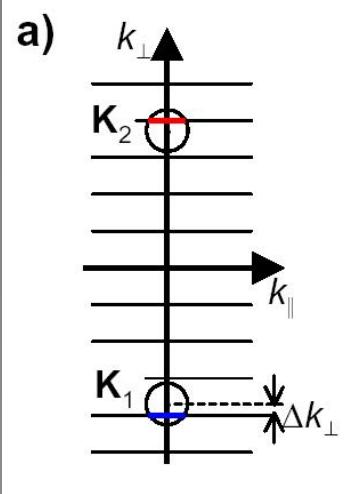
$$E(\mathbf{k}(\phi)) = \sqrt{1 + 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} k_x(\phi)\right) + 4 \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} k_x(\phi)\right) \cos\left(\frac{3}{2} k_x(\phi)\right)}$$

Special features:

- ➔ Two Fermi points
- ➔ Close to conical near the Fermi points
- ➔ Deep in the Brillouin zone – nearly parabolic
- ➔ Symmetry with respect to $E = 0$

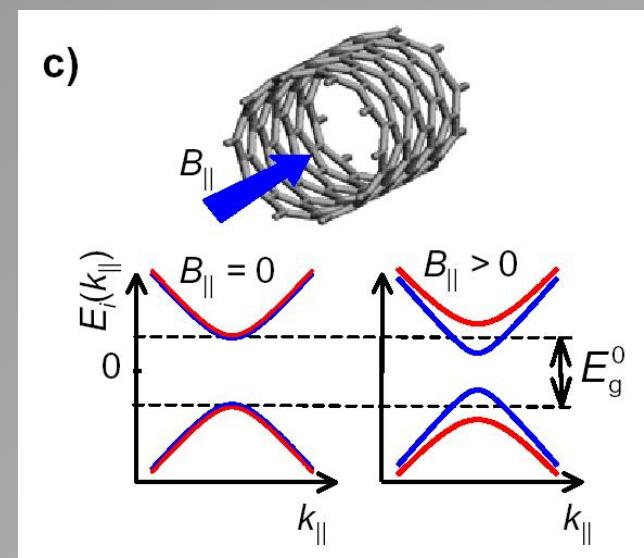
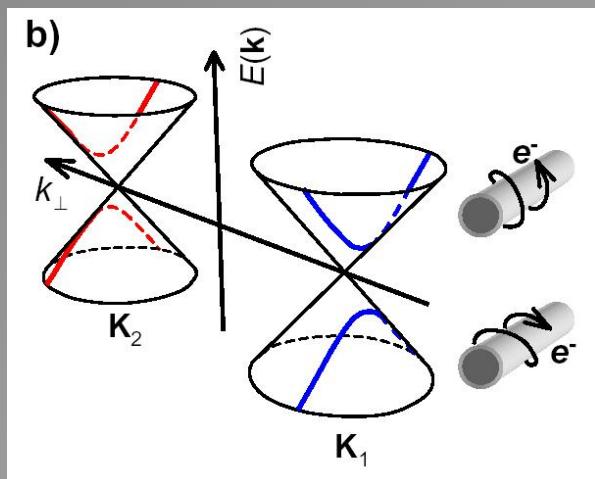


Orbital magnetic moment of an electron



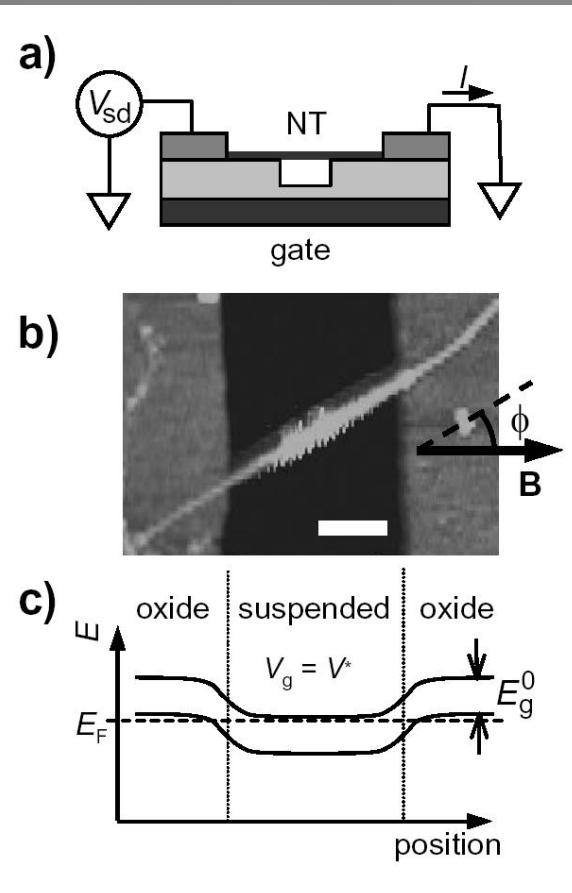
Magnetic field shifts energy levels in the nanotube, changing its conduction type.

(Ajiki, Ando J. Phys. Soc. Jpn 62 (1993) 1255)



E.D. Minot et al., Nature 428 (2004) 536

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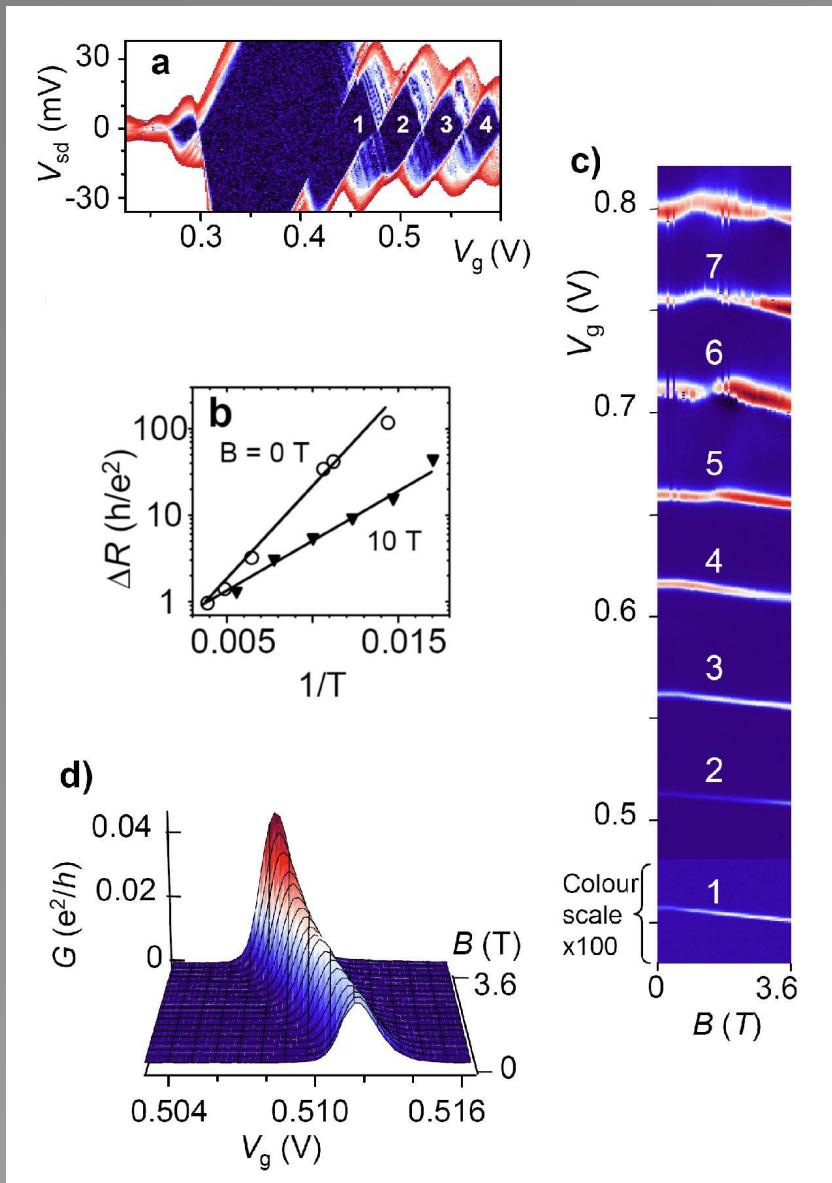
Energy shift induced by the magnetic field:

$$\Delta E \simeq \frac{\partial E}{\partial k_{\perp}} |_{k_F} \delta k_{\perp}(\phi) = \pm \frac{\hbar v_F}{R} \frac{\phi}{\phi_0} = \vec{\mu}_{orb}^F \cdot \mathbf{B},$$

Thermal conductance of the nanotube in the Landauer-Büttiker formalism

$$G_{\text{act}}(V^*, T) = \frac{2e^2}{h} \sum_{i=1,2} |t_i|^2 \frac{2}{\exp(E_g^{K_i} / k_B T) + 1},$$

Orbital magnetic moment of an electron



Shift in the position of conductance peaks

→ proof of a variation of the Fermi gap

In agreement with Ajiki & Ando hypothesis.

Full magnetic moment

Features of McEuen's approximation:

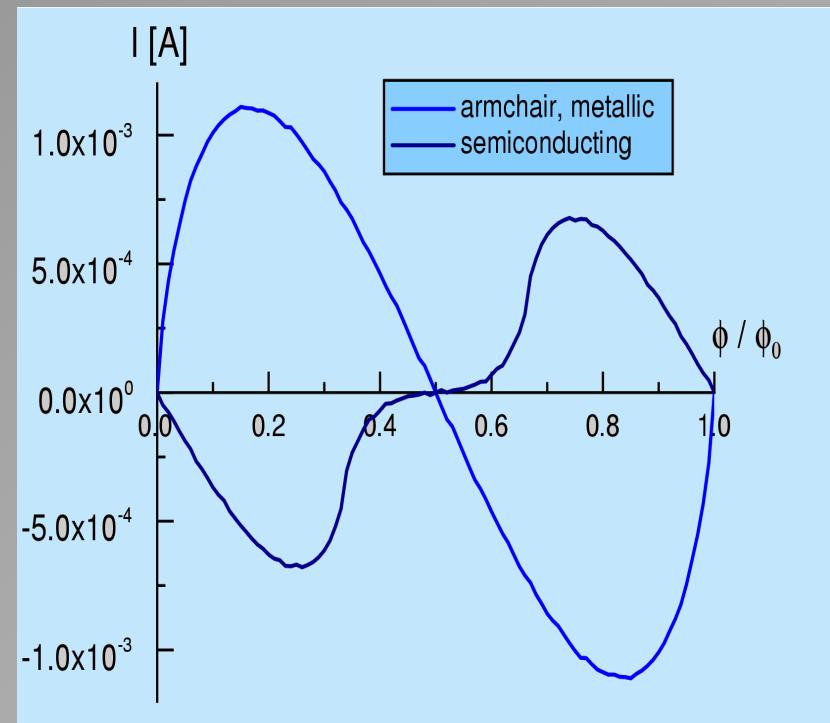
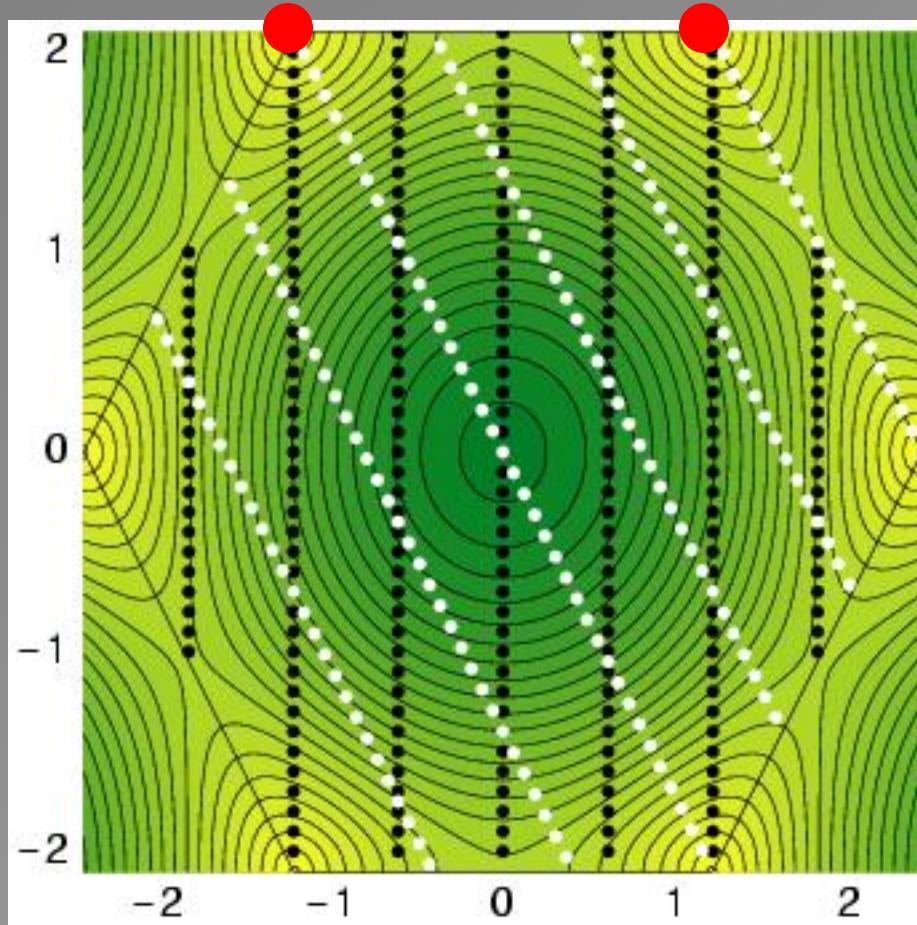
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- Orbital moment independent of ϕ
- Linear increase with nanotube radius
- Neglect of temperature
- Neglect of possible doping

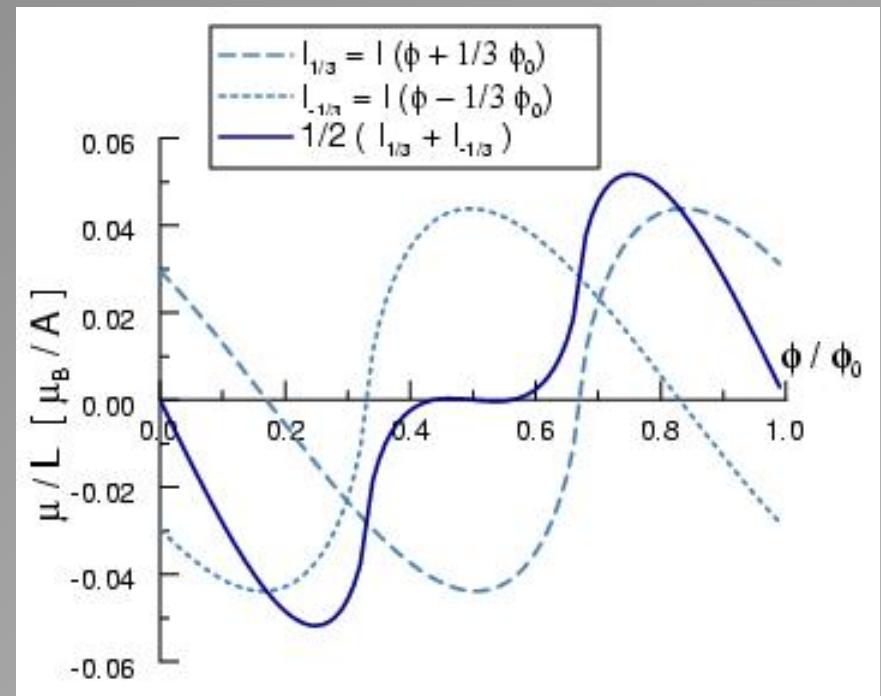
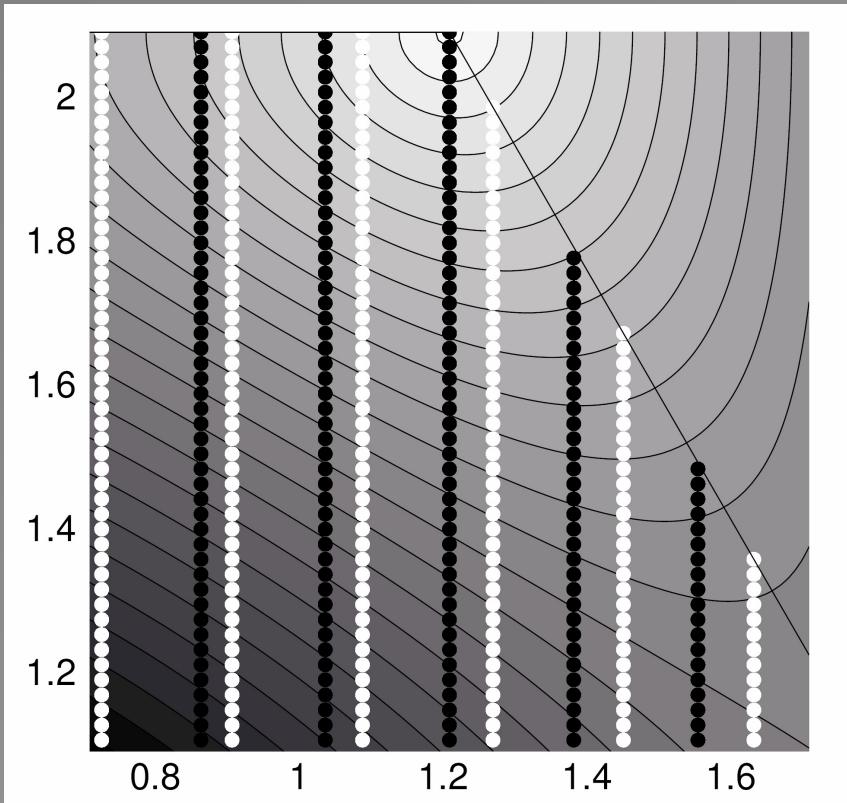
Full magnetic moment must contain contributions from all filled electron states:

$$\mu_{orb}(\phi, T) = \pi R^2 I(\phi, T) = \pi R^2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{1 + \exp [(E_{\mathbf{k}}(\phi) - \mu_{chem}(\phi))/kT]} I_{\mathbf{k}}(\phi).$$

Magnetic moment in a single-wall nanotube

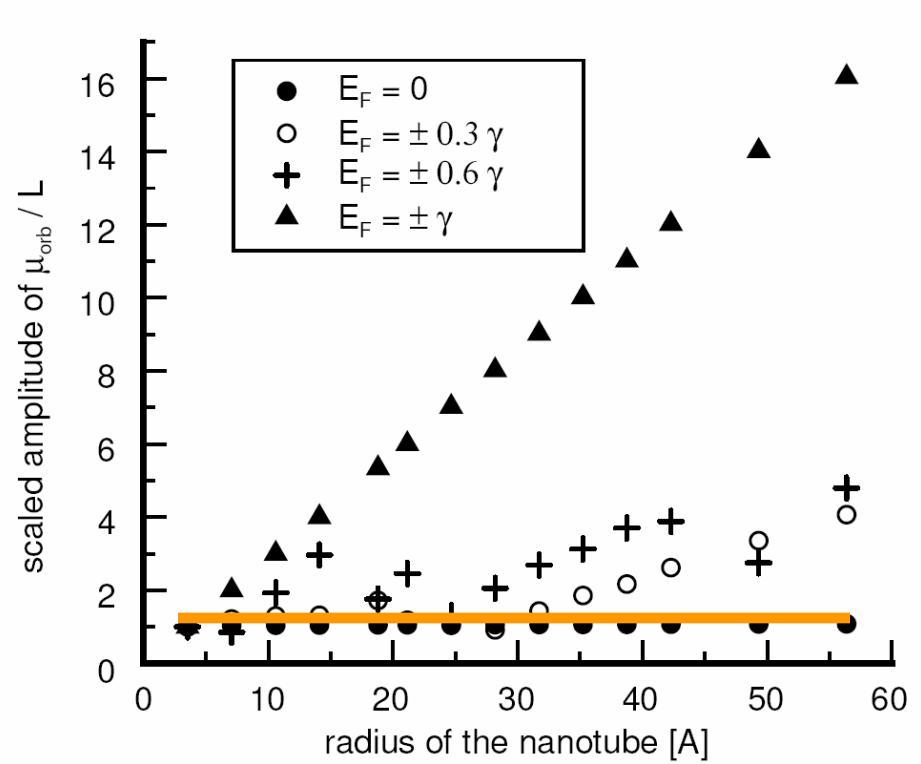
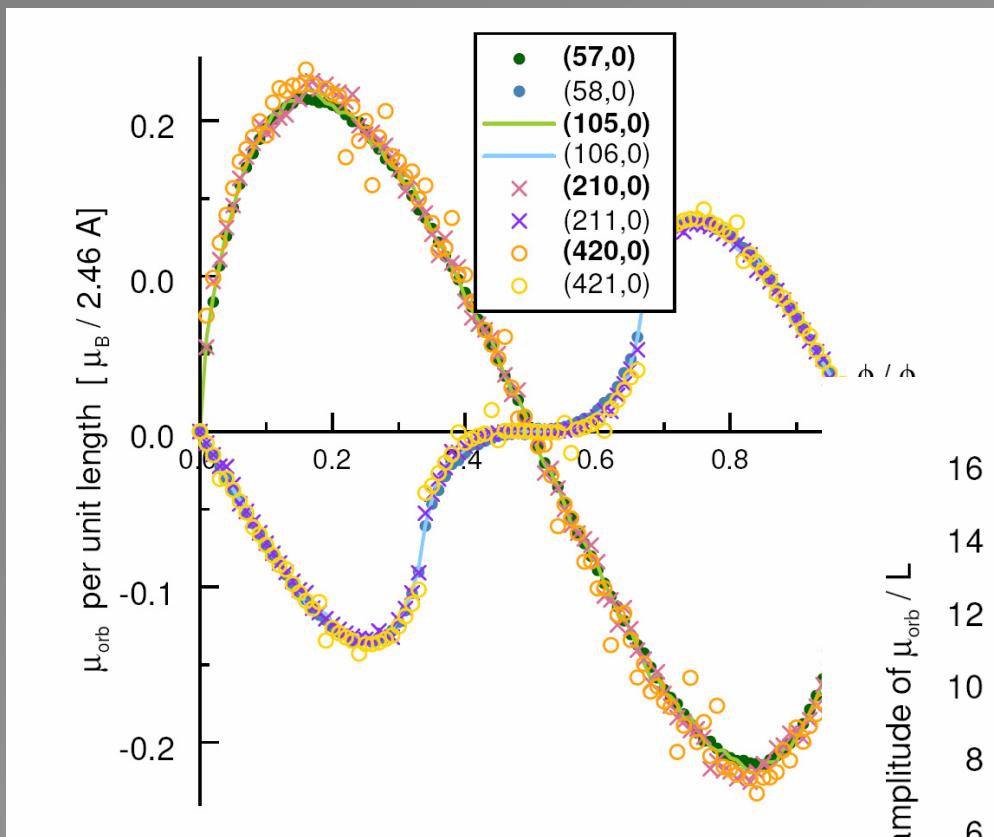


Metallic and semiconducting nanotubes



- Orbital magnetic moment in a semiconducting nanotubes is caused by two lines of momentum states, crossing the Fermi points at $-\phi_0/3$ and $+\phi_0/3$

(In?)dependence of the magnetic moment of the CN radius



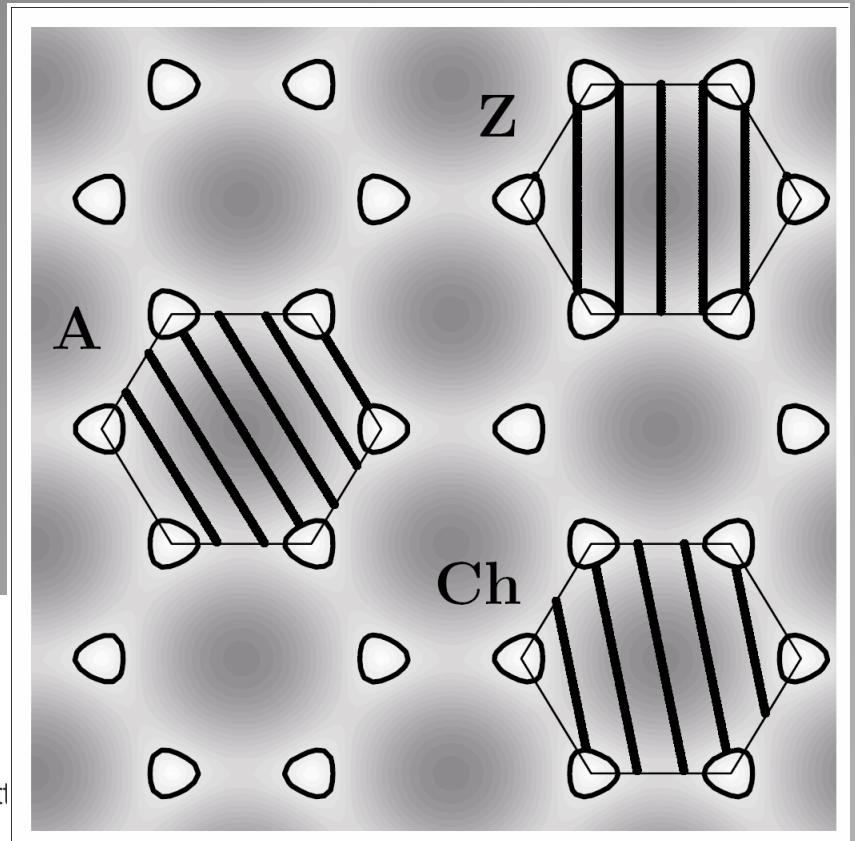
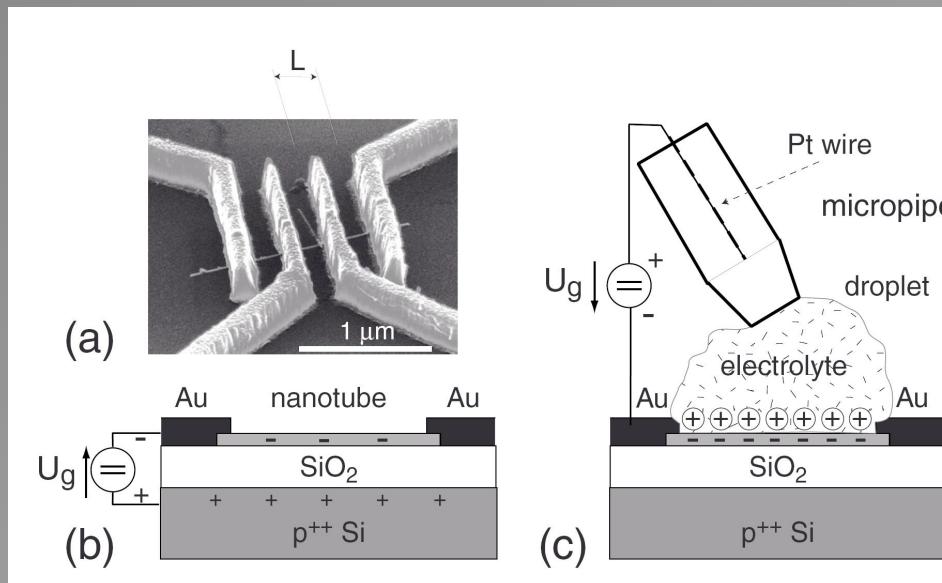
Orbital magnetic moment and the Fermi surface

In metallic mesoscopic cylinders the amplitude of the overall persistent current depends strongly on the correlation of currents from the channels along the cylinder axis.

- For circular Fermi surface- weak correlation, weak current
- For flattened FS – stronger correlations, increase of the currents.
- For rectangular FS – all currents from one momentum line are correlated, the current is strongly enhanced.

Lowered chemical potential

M. Kruger et al.,
Appl. Phys. Lett. 78 (2001) 1291

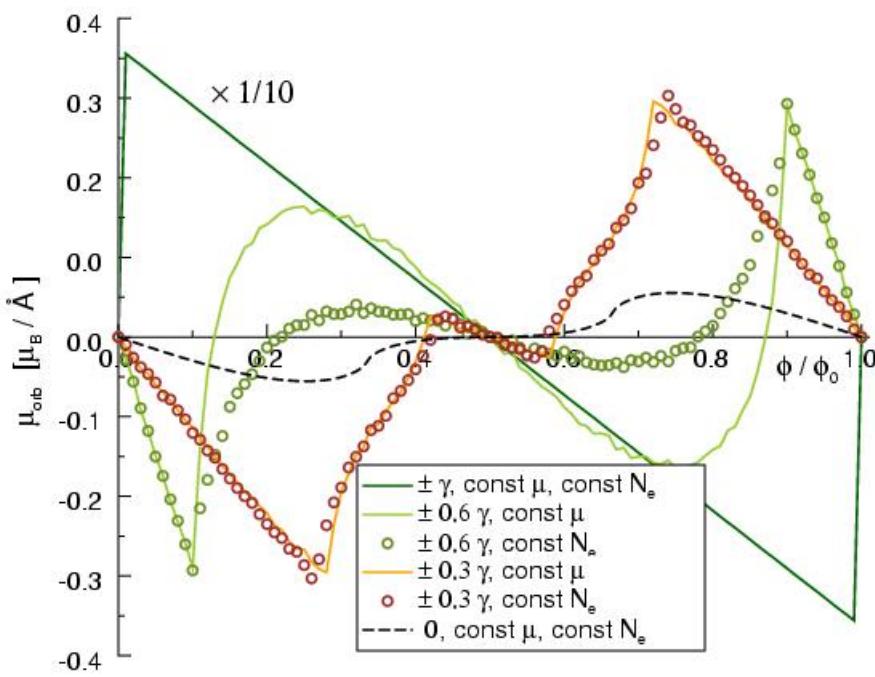


Nanotube: isolated or in a circuit

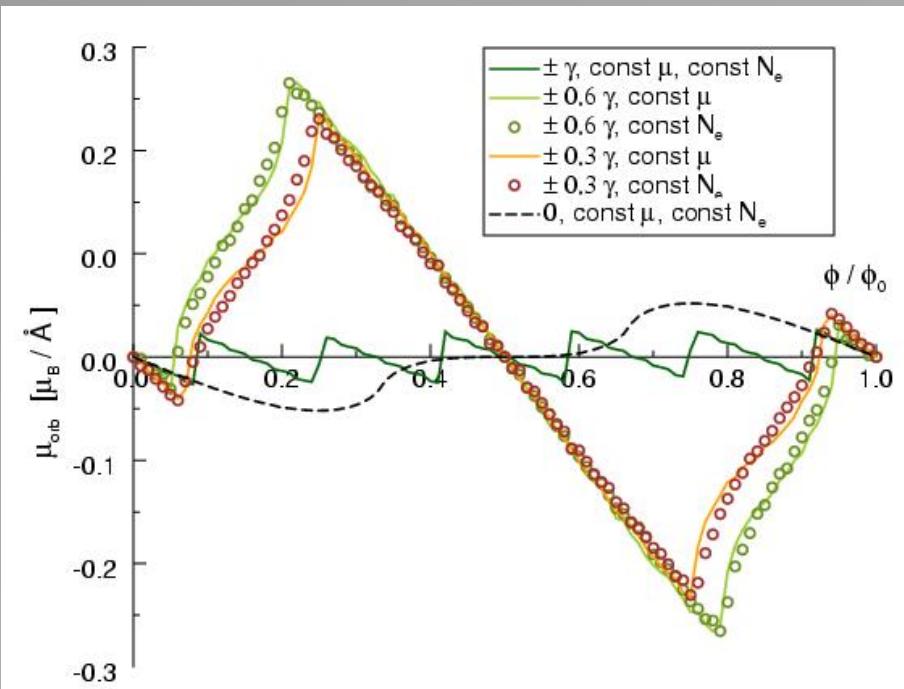
In a circuit: $\mu_{chem} = const$

Isolated: $\sum_{\mathbf{k}} f_{FD}(E(\mathbf{k}(\varphi)), \mu_{chem}, T) = N_e \rightarrow \mu_{chem}(\varphi)$

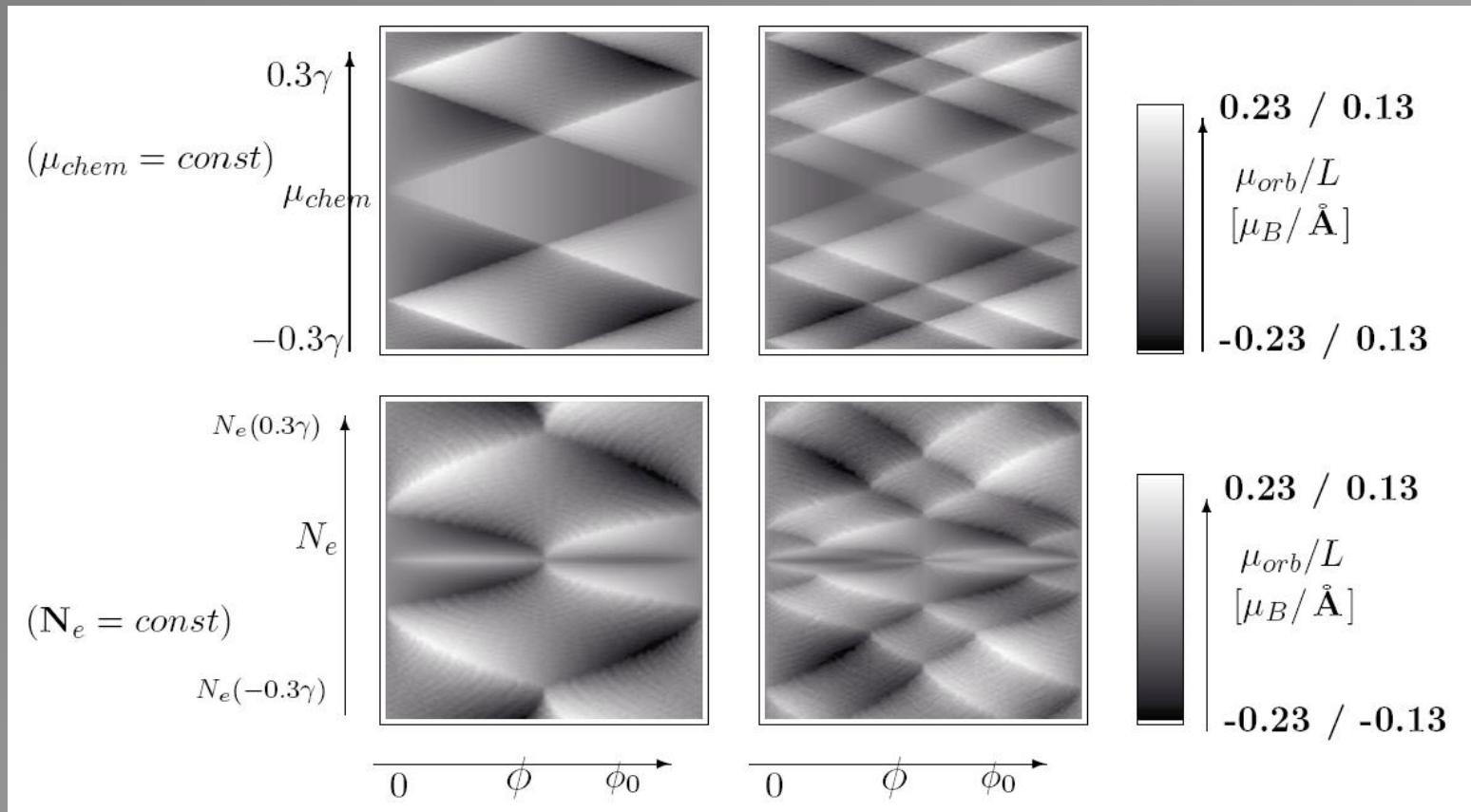
zigzag (64,0)



nearly armchair (38,36)

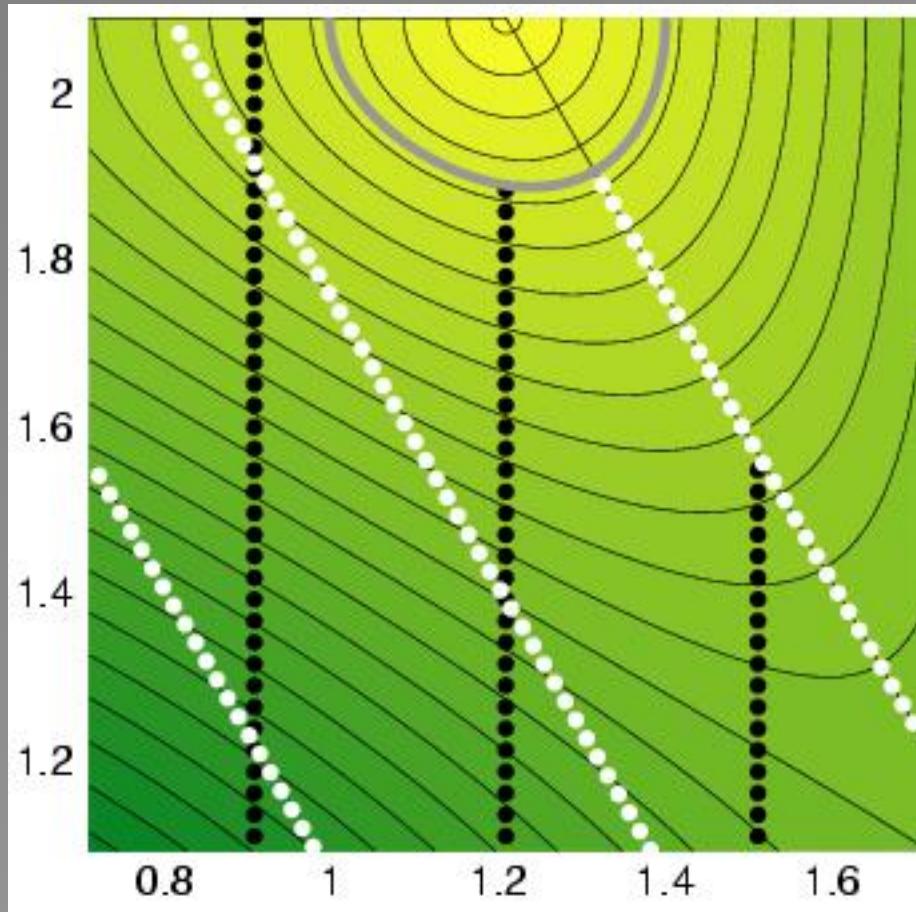


Weak doping: constant μ or constant N_e



- Top: constant μ , bottom: constant N_e
- Left: armchair (15,15), $R = 10\text{\AA}$
- Right: chiral semiconductor (15,14), $R = 10\text{\AA}$

Weak doping: ($\mu > -0.3 \gamma$)



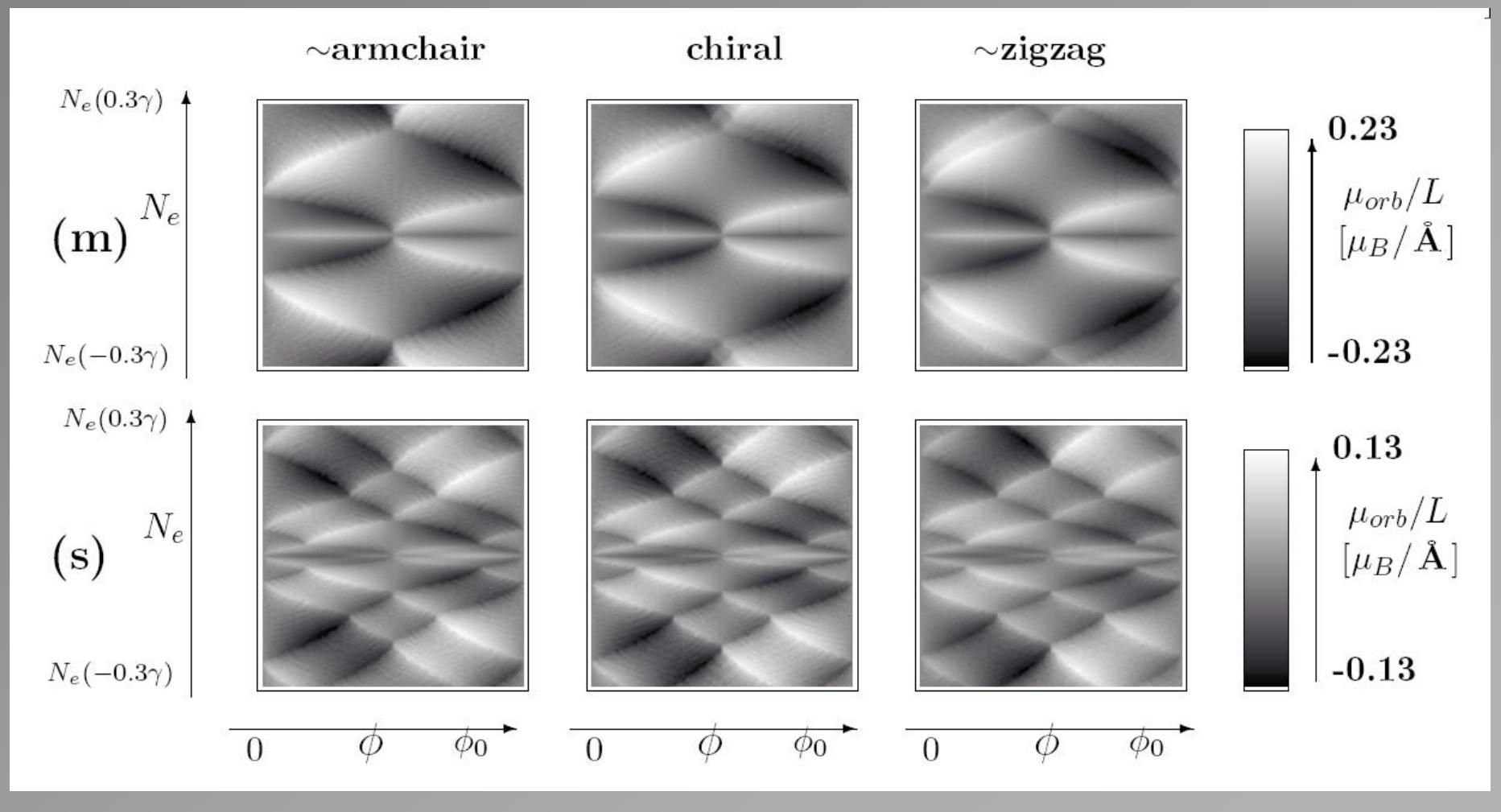
Isolated nanotube

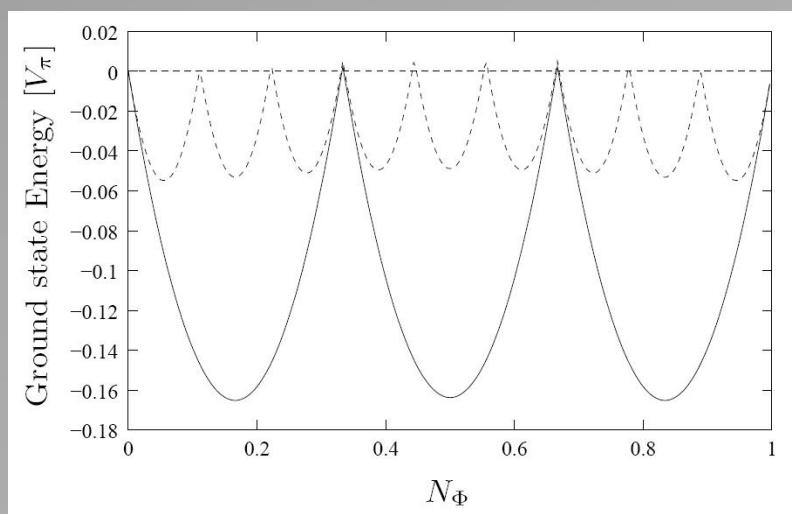
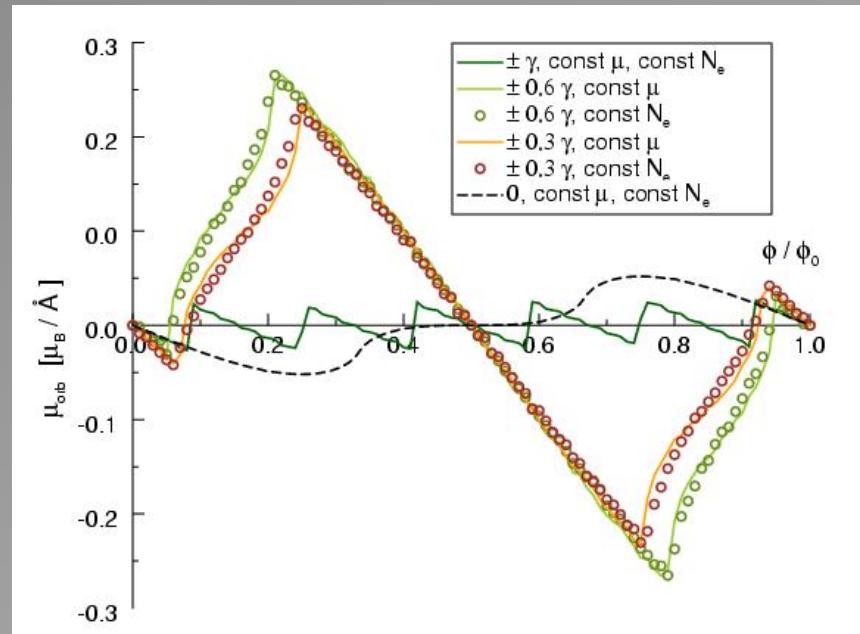
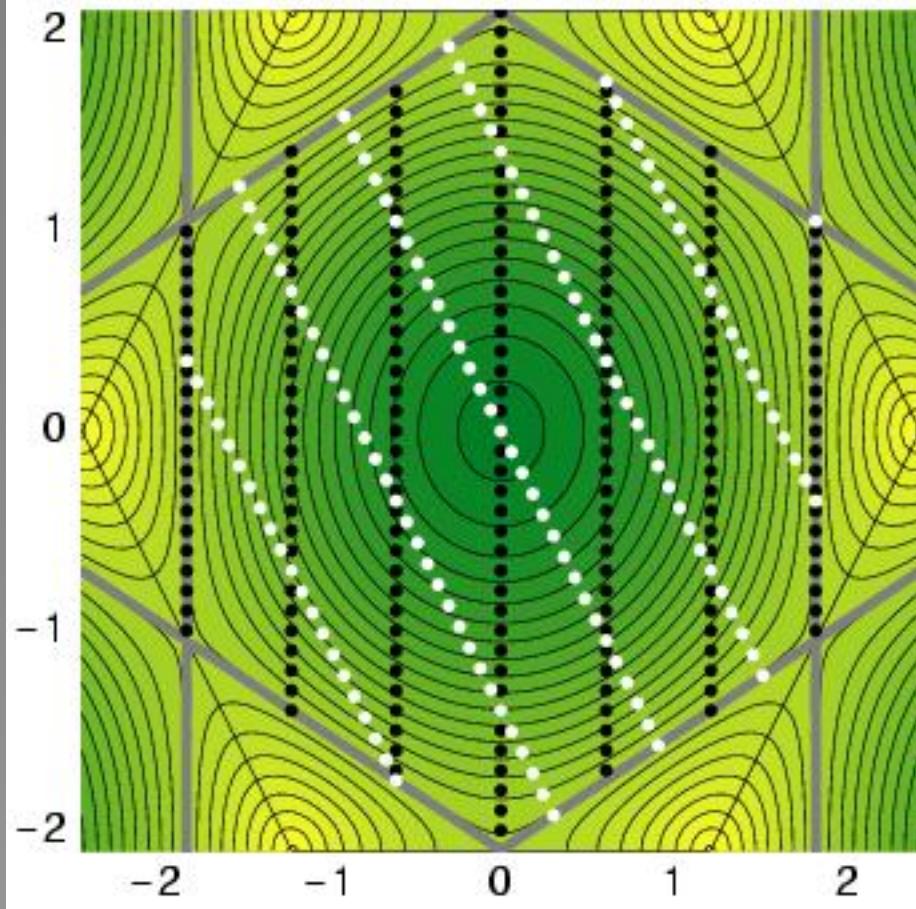
$N_e = \text{const}$, $T = 0\text{K}$, $R = 10 \text{ \AA}$

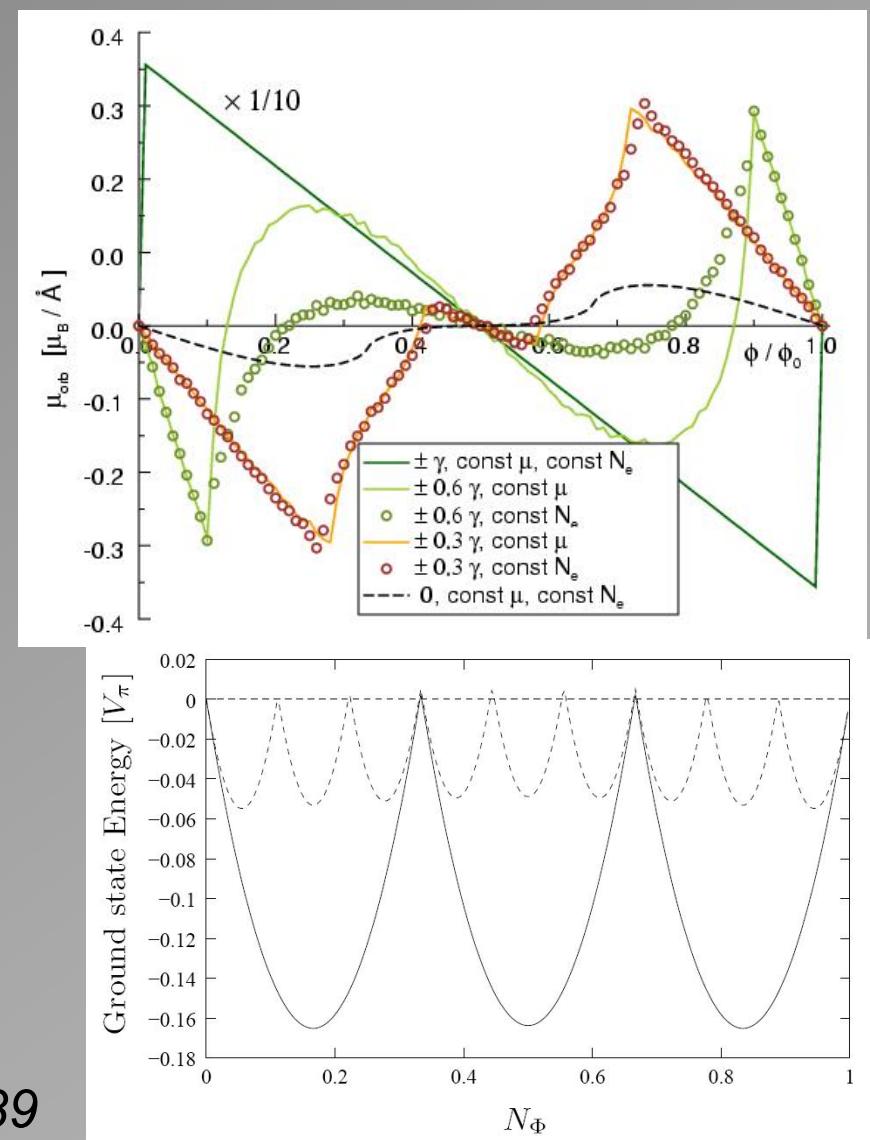
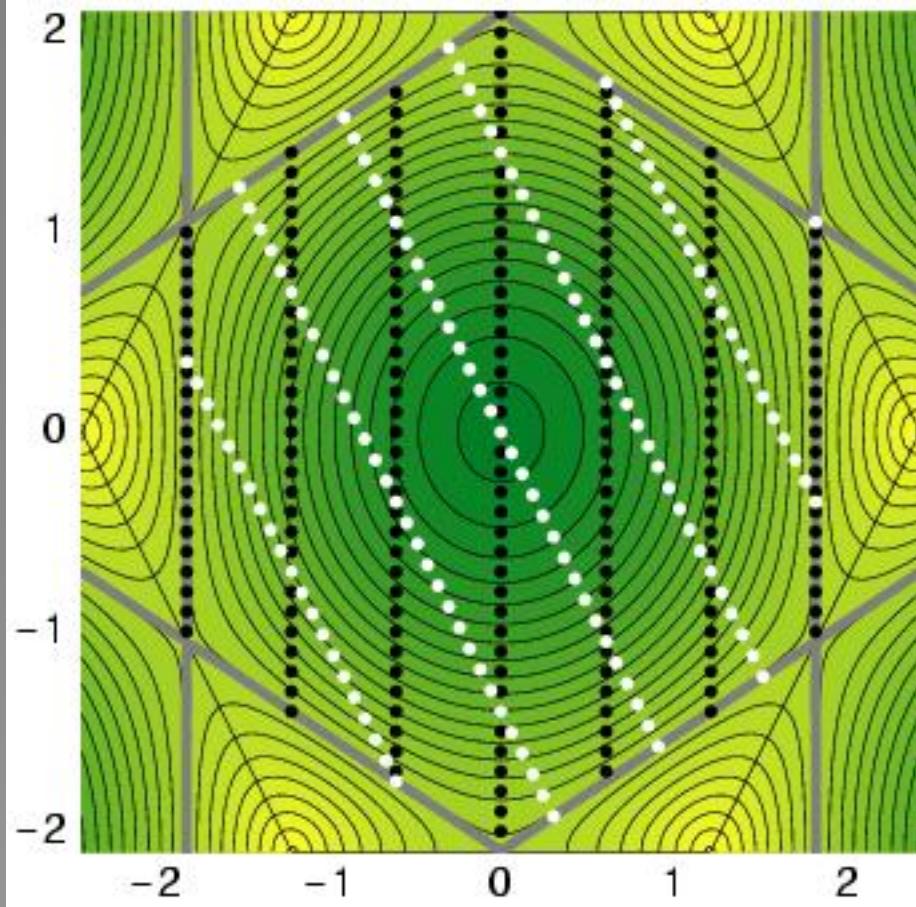
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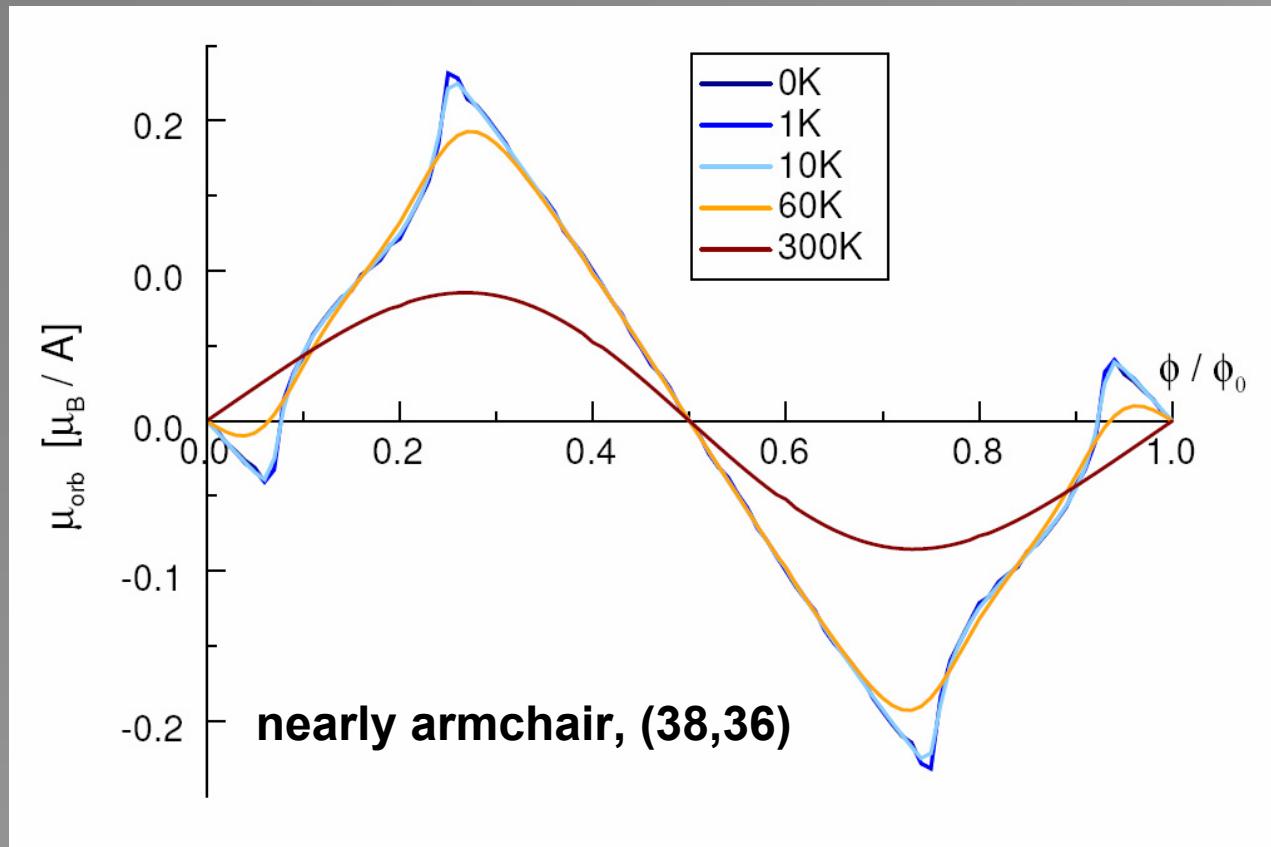
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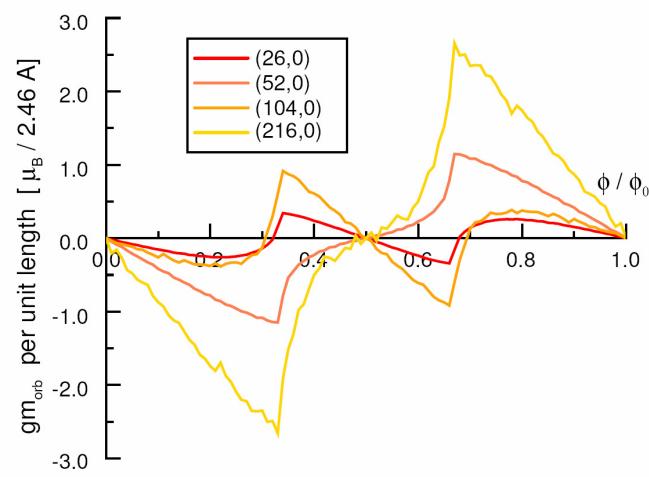
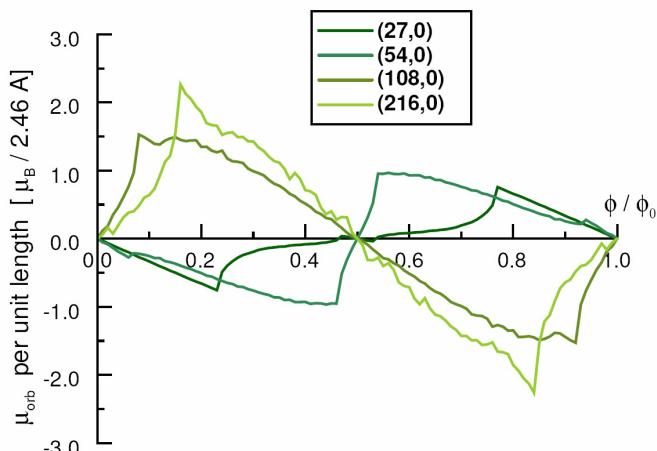
Dependence of the magnetic moment on temperature



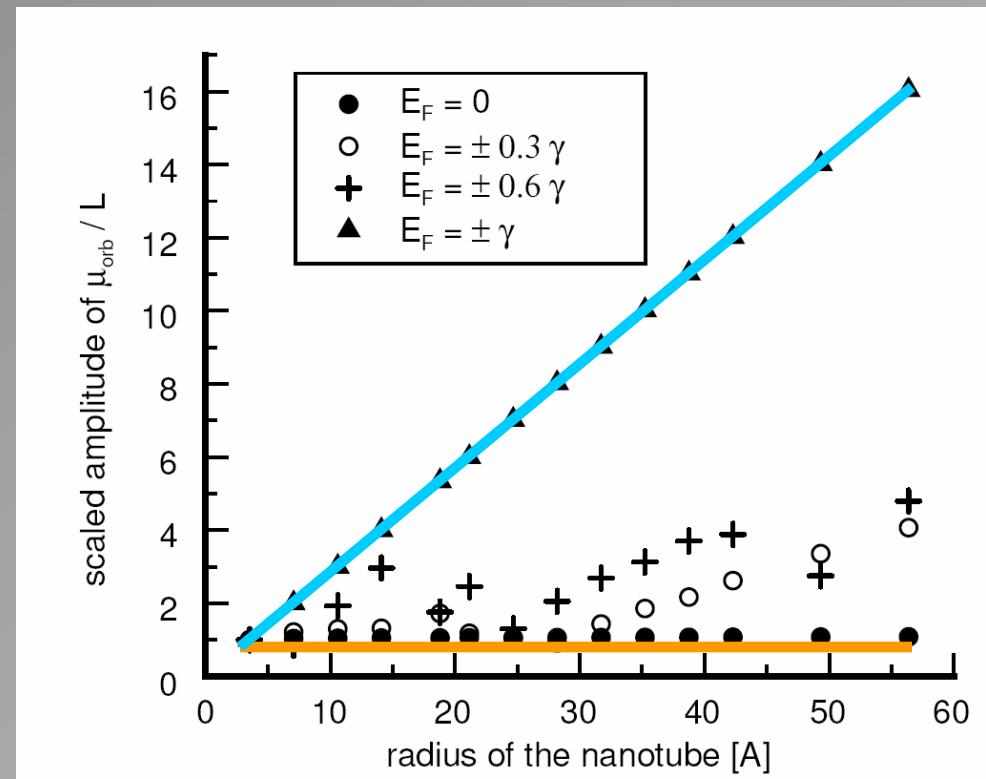
- Main effect – decrease in the amplitude and reduction of sharp features

Dependence on radius of μ_{orb} in doped nanotubes

metallic, zigzag



semiconducting, zigzag

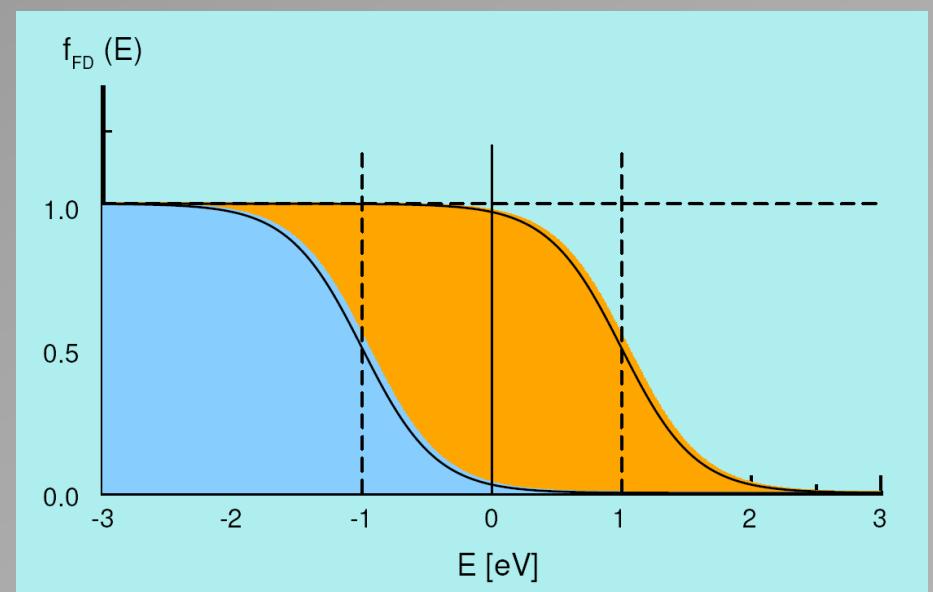
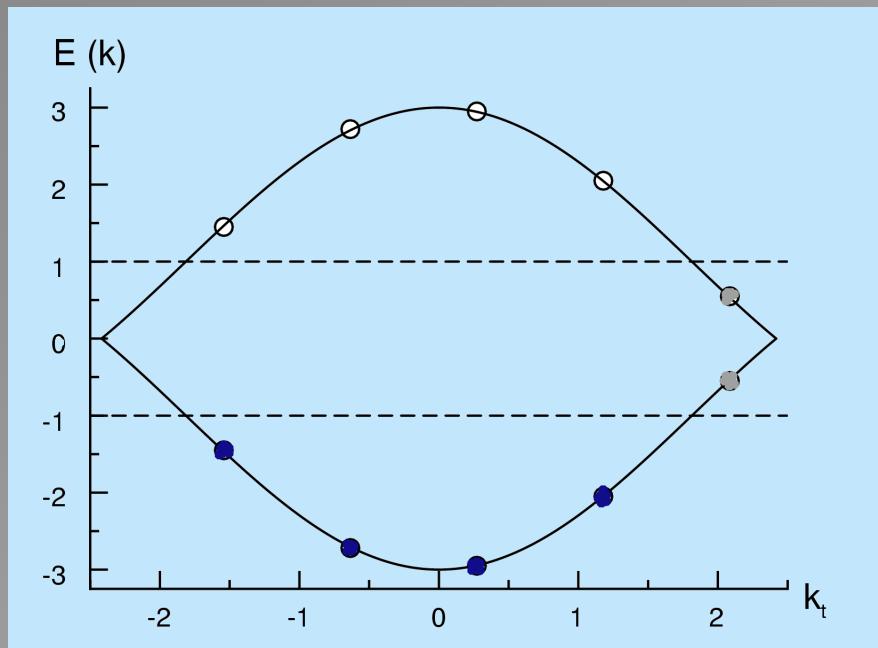


Electron-hole symmetry

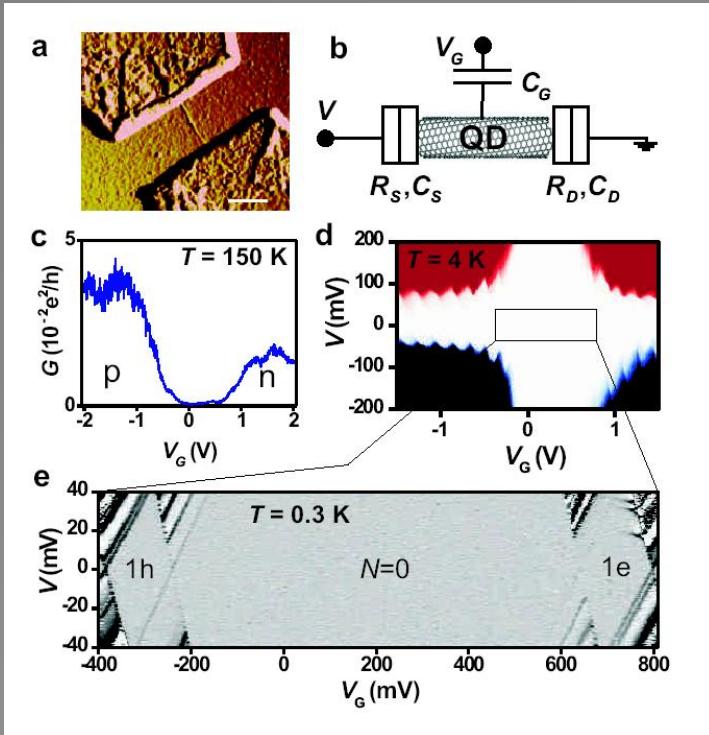
A combination of:

- electron-hole symmetry of graphene's dispersion relation
- Fermi-Dirac function symmetry with respect to the chemical potential

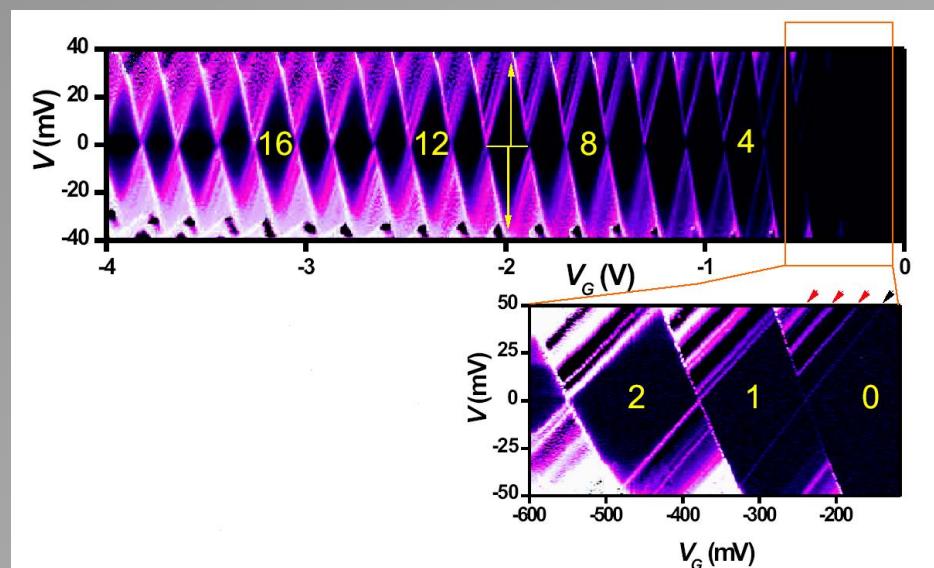
leads to electron-hole symmetry both in persistent and transport currents.



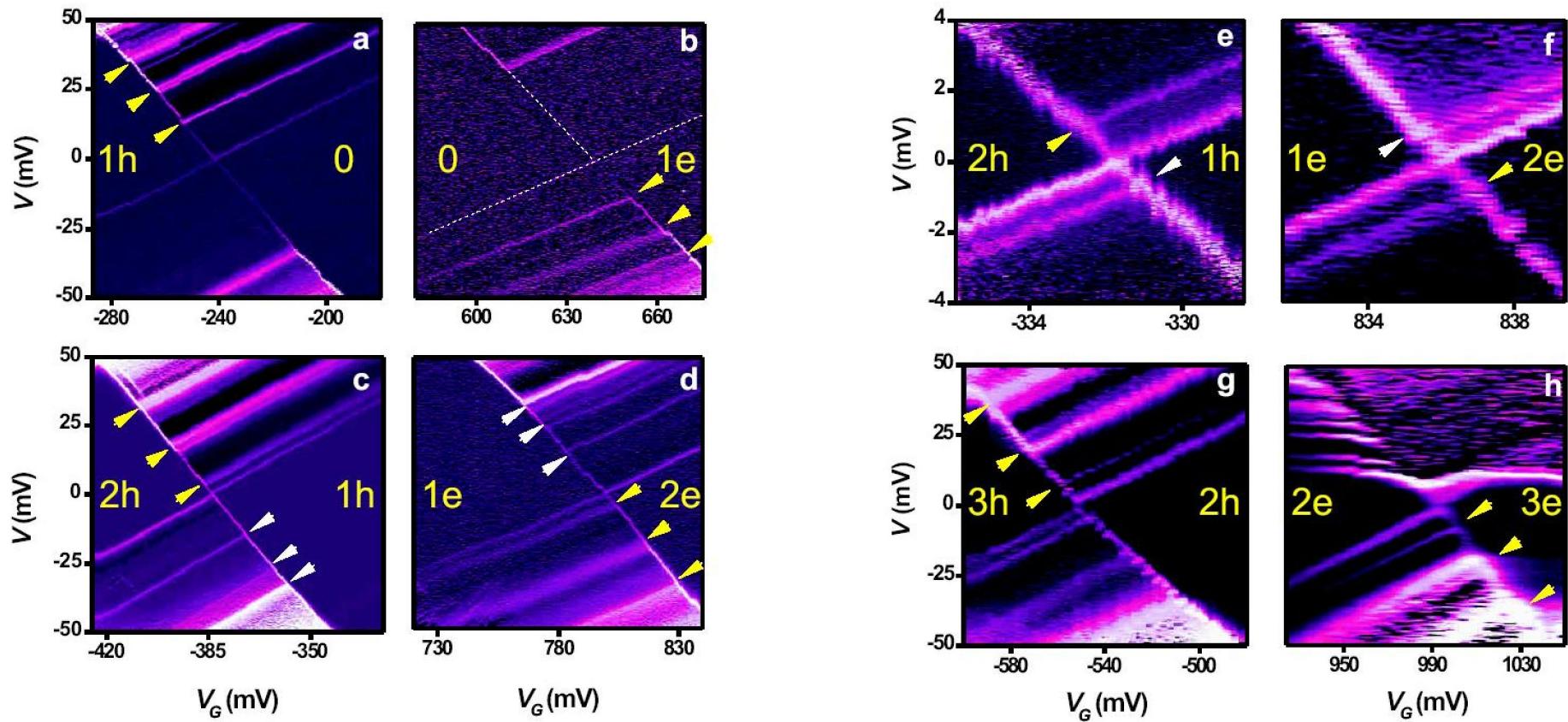
Electron-hole symmetry, an experiment



Semiconducting nanotube quantum dot, chemical potential controlled by the gate voltage.



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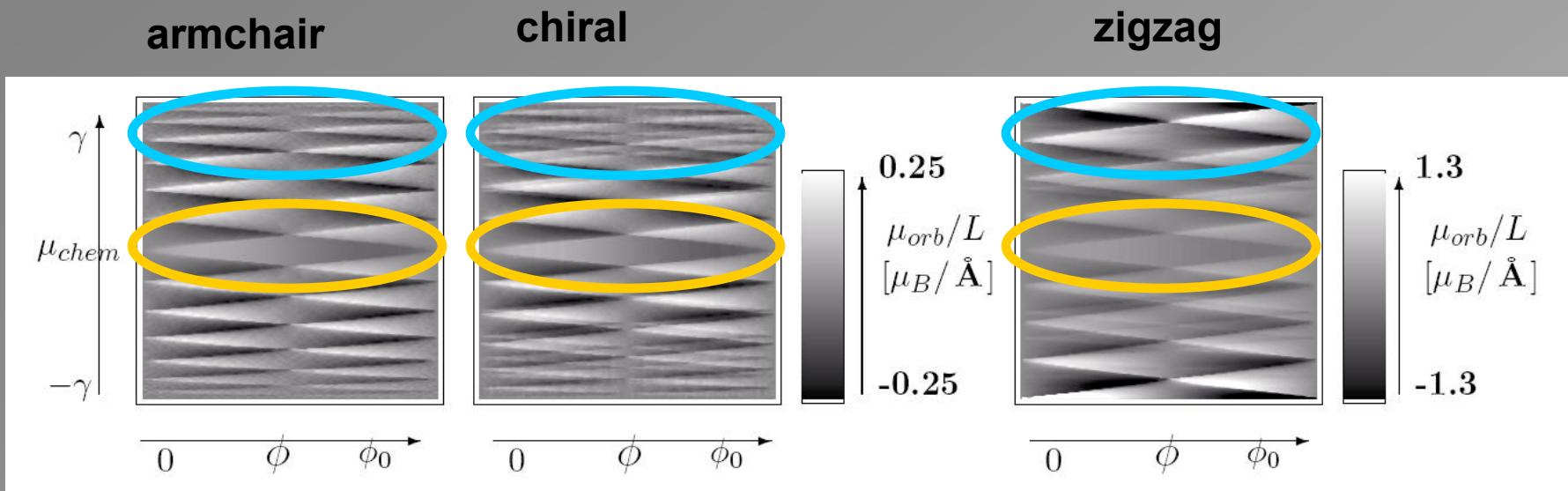


Each conduction line for electrons corresponds to its analogue for holes.

Full symmetry of the Coulomb blockade pattern.

Strong doping

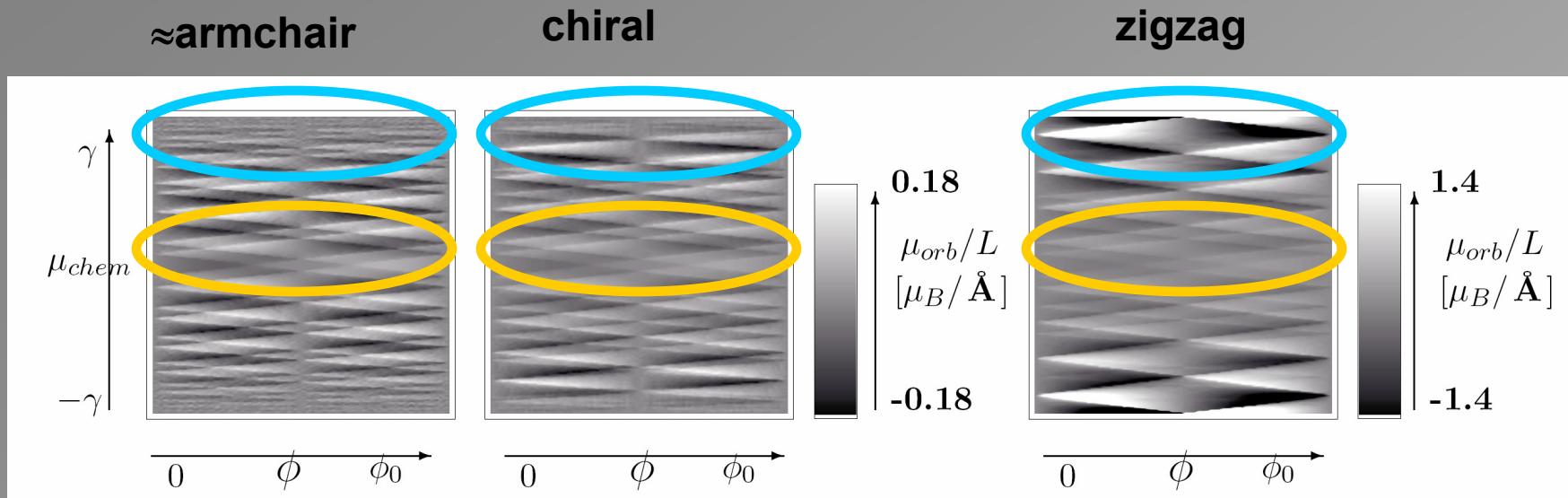
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Semiconducting CN

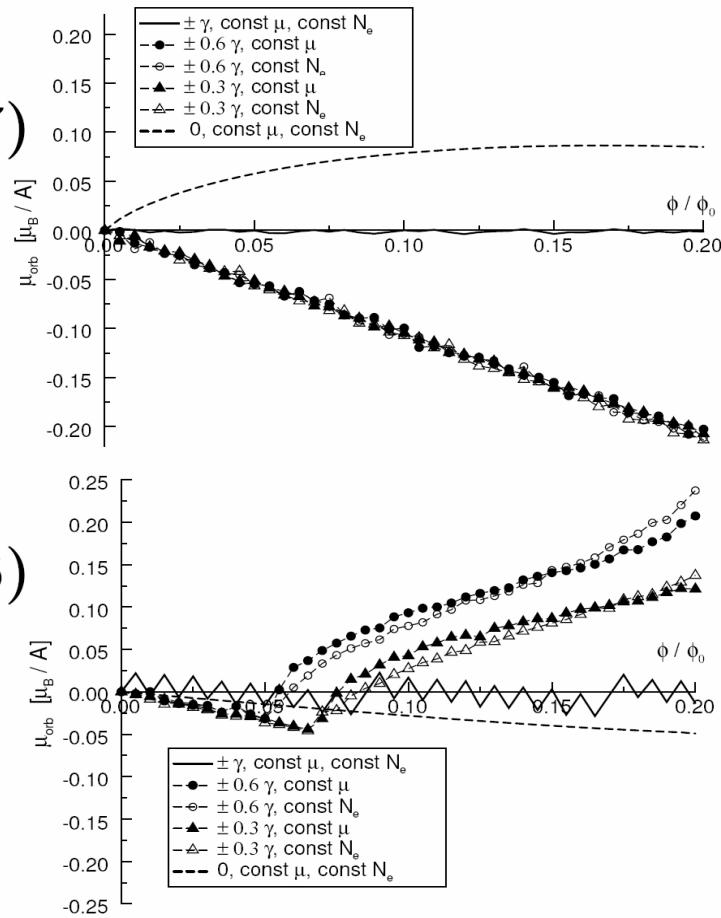


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Weak magnetic fields - armchair

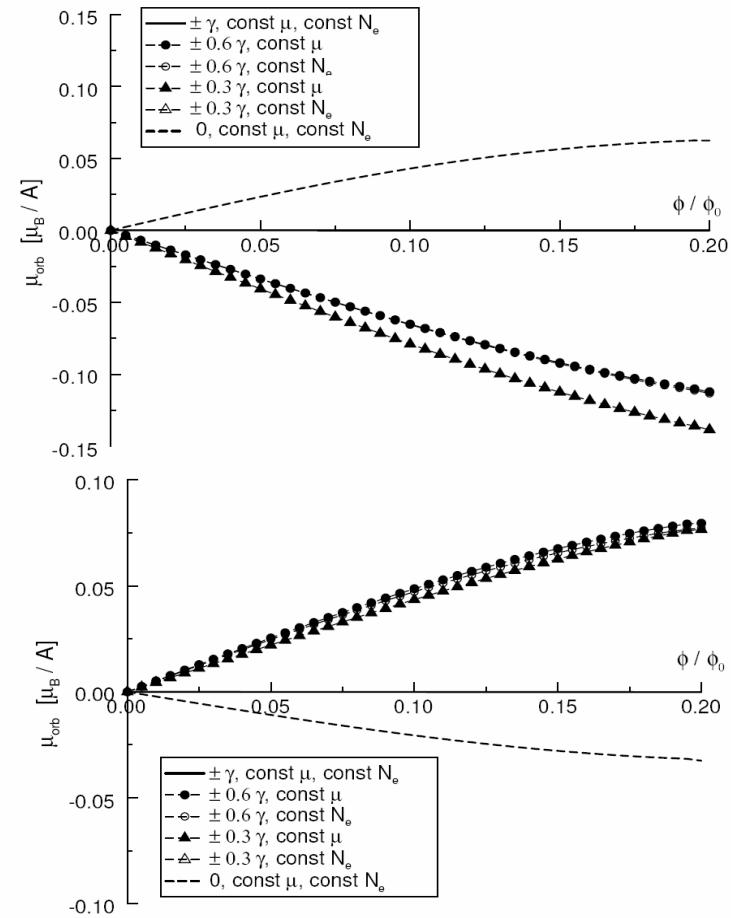
T = 0K

(37, 37)

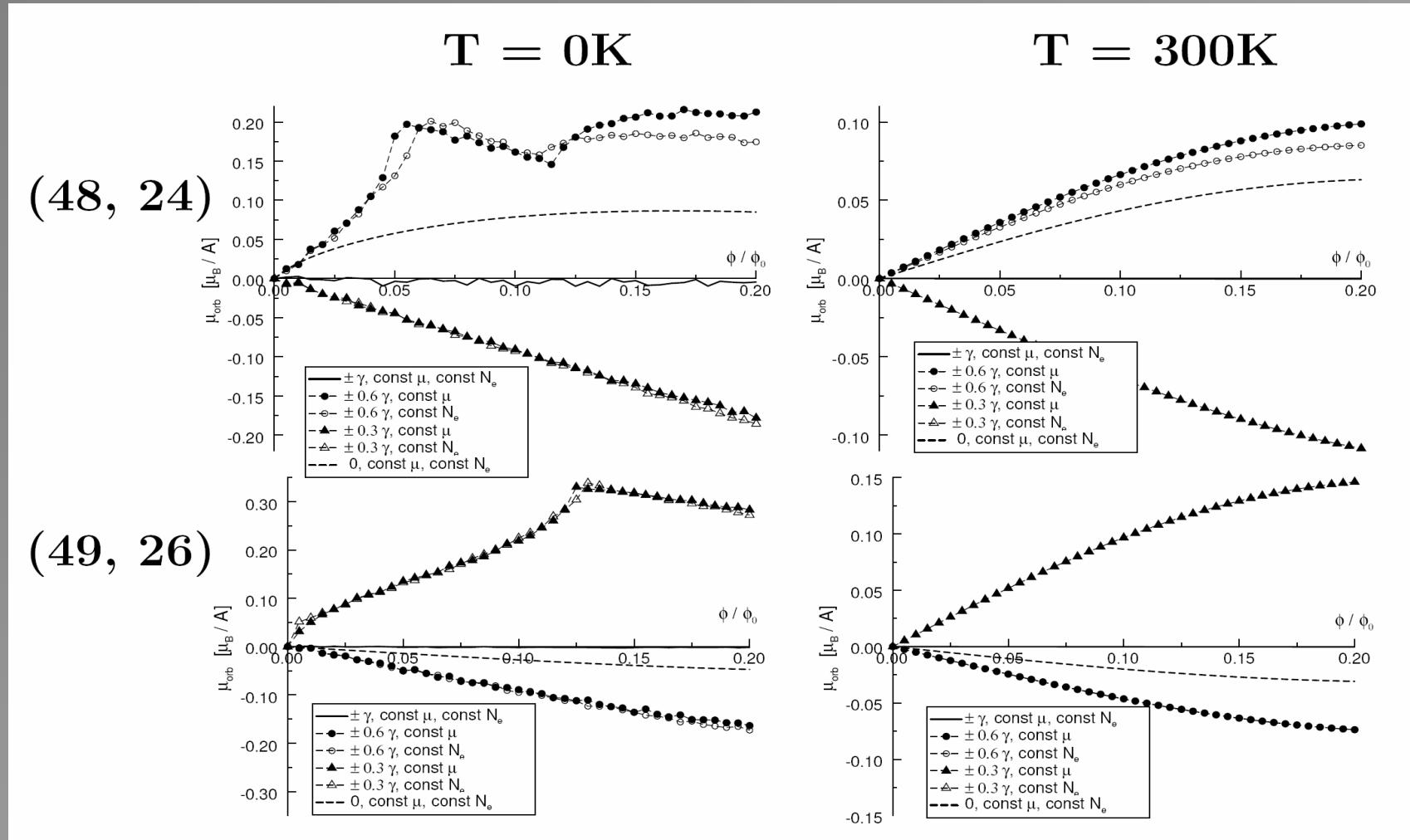


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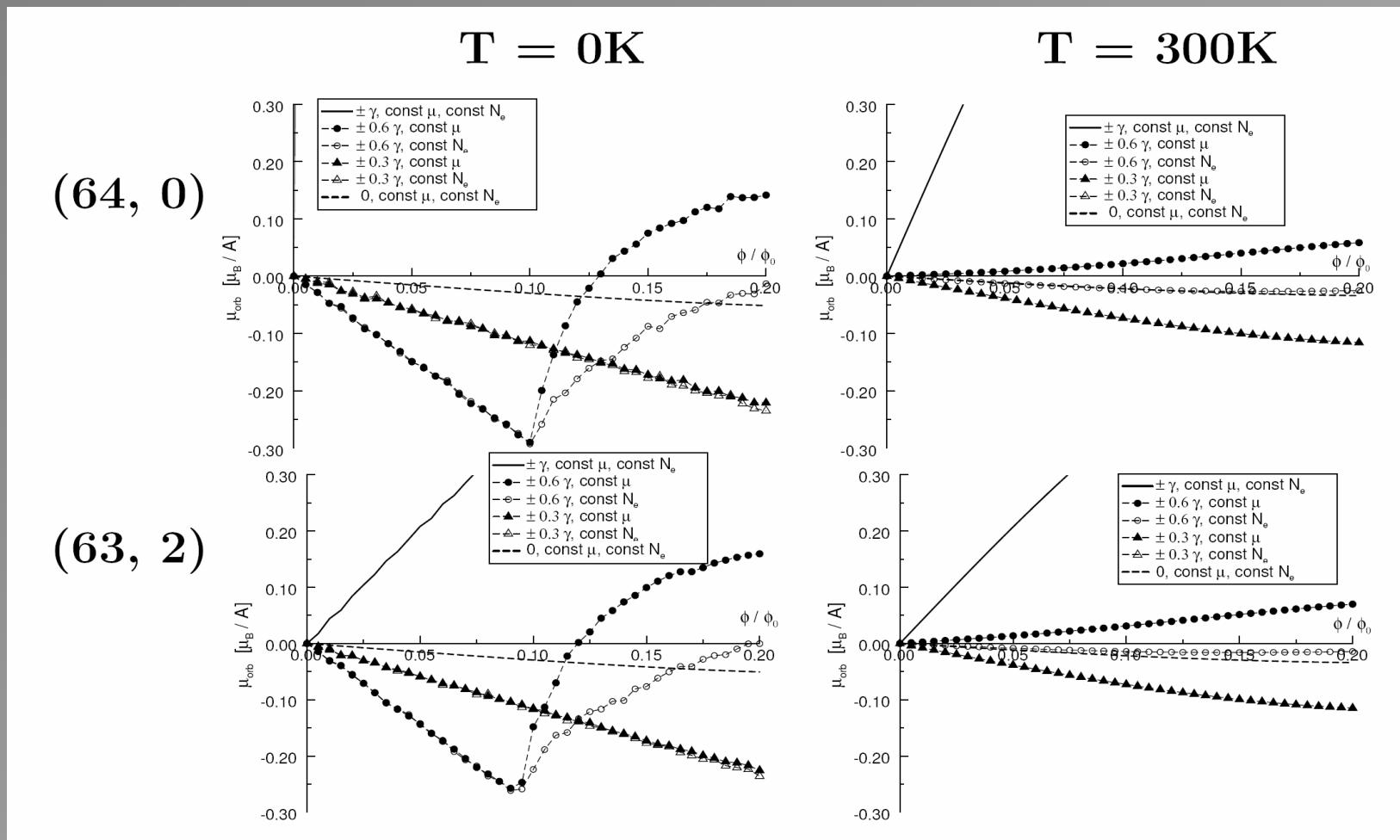
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Weak magnetic fields - chiral



Weak magnetic fields - zigzags



Orbital magnetic moment for $B < 20\text{T}$

Nanotube in a circuit,

$$\mu = \text{const}, T = 0 \text{ K}, R = 25 \text{ \AA}, L = 0.1\mu\text{m}$$

	$E_F = 0$	$E_F = \pm 0.3\gamma$	$E_F = \pm 0.6\gamma$	$E_F = \pm\gamma$
armchair (37,37)	78.7 (42.9)	-100 (-78.9)	-99.5 (-65.1)	$\leq 3 (\leq 1)$
chiral S (38,36)	-28.2 (-20.5)	42.6 (43.5)	93.2 (48.6)	-26.4 (≤ 1)
chiral M (48,24)	78.7 (43.3)	-90.6 (63.9)	161.6 (66.4)	-9.7 (≤ 2)
chiral S (49,23)	-27.5 (-20)	218.8 (96.7)	-89.1 (-46.3)	$\leq 2 (\leq 2)$
chiral S (63,2)	-29.3 (-21.8)	-116.9 (-72.7)	-148.1 (31.1)	399.2 (389)
zigzag M (63,0)	80.2 (44.1)	-62.5 (-28.7)	28.7 (-63.1)	-714.7 (-523)
zigzag S (64,0)	-29.8 (-21.9)	113.3 (-73.2)	-290 (21.8)	3559, at $B \ll 1\text{T}$ (818.2)

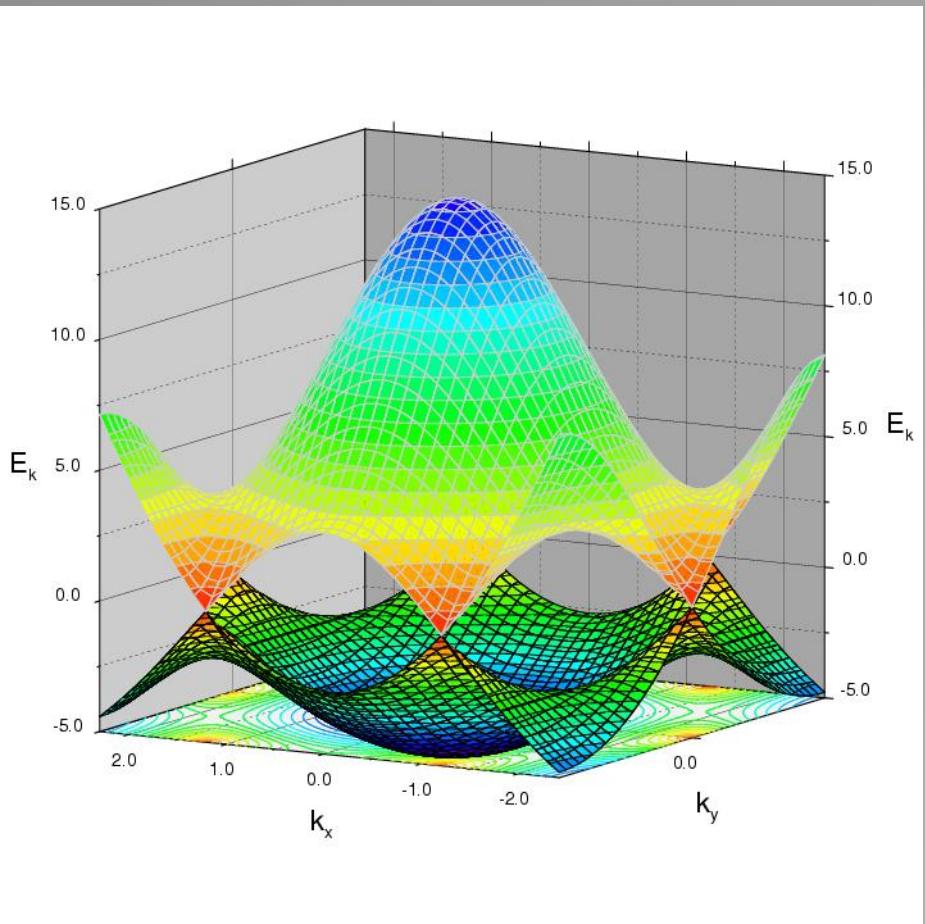
Carbon nanotubes – asymmetric dispersion relation

Special features:

- ➔ Two Fermi points
- ➔ Close to conical near the Fermi points
- ➔ Deep in the Brillouin zone – nearly parabolic

$$E_{\mathbf{k}(\phi)} = \frac{\epsilon_{2p} \pm \gamma w_{\mathbf{k}(\phi)}}{1 \mp s w_{\mathbf{k}(\phi)}}$$

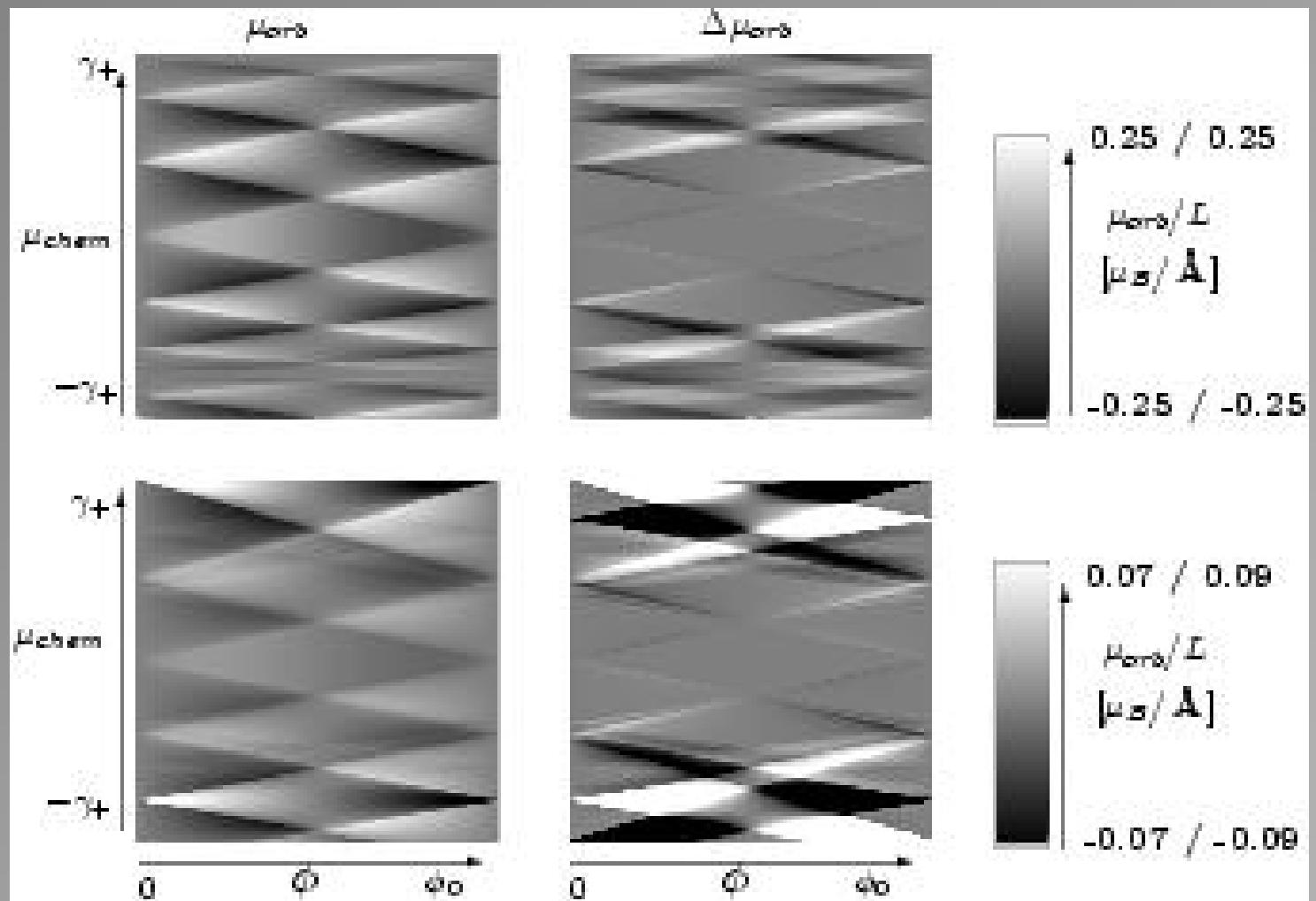
$s \sim 0.13$ - overlap between π orbitals at neighbouring sites in graphene



Asymmetric dispersion, orbital magnetic moment for hole- and electron doping

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Armchair

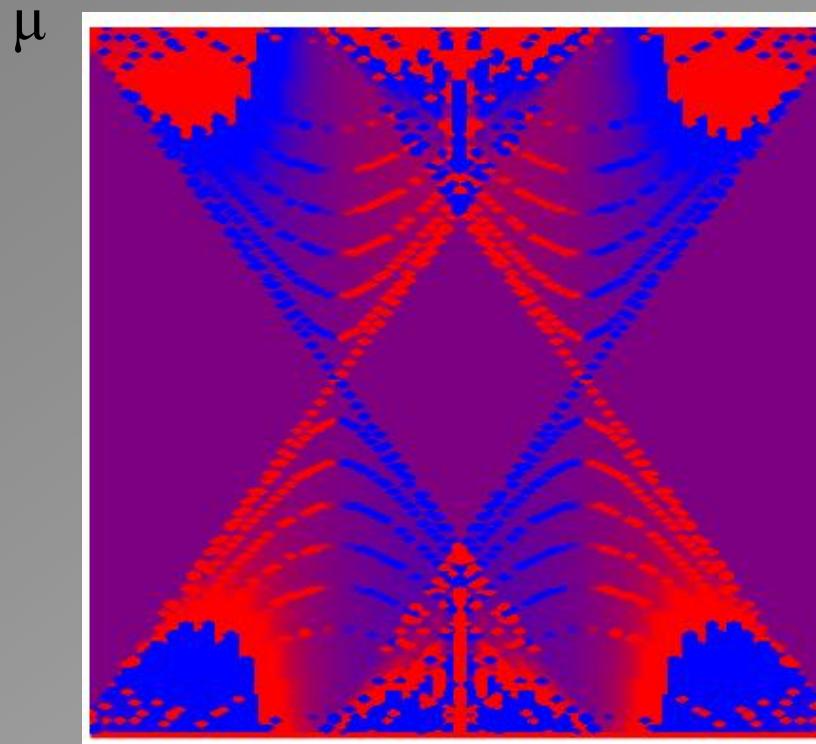


Zigzag

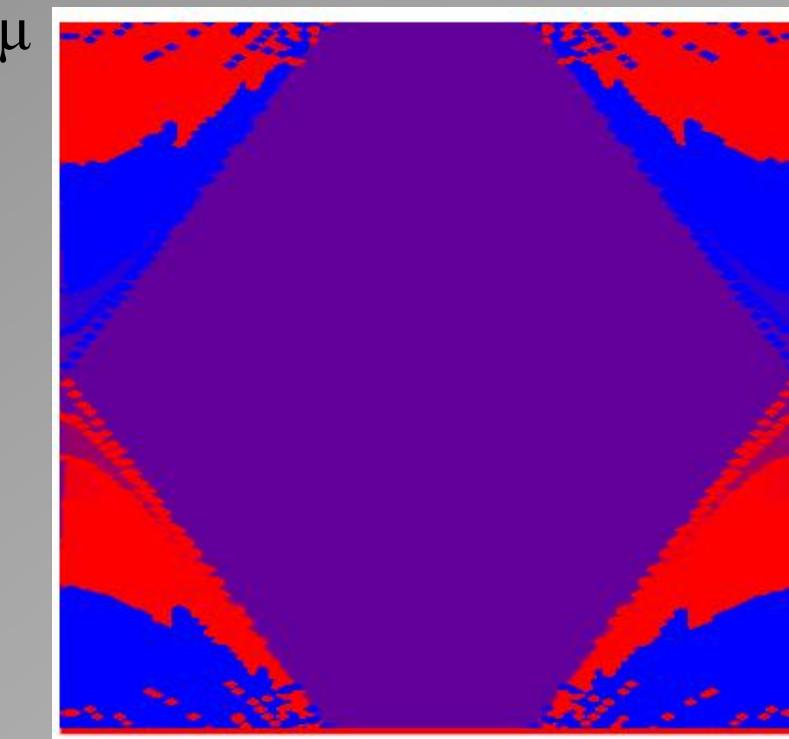
orbital magnetic moment for holes and electrons

Difference between hole and electron magnetic moments
for nanotubes from the Jarillo-Herrero experiment,
 $R=2.6\text{nm}$, 35 holes to 35 excess electrons

(20,19 semiconducting)



(20,20) metallic



Asymmetric dispersion, orbital magnetic moment for $B < 20\text{T}$

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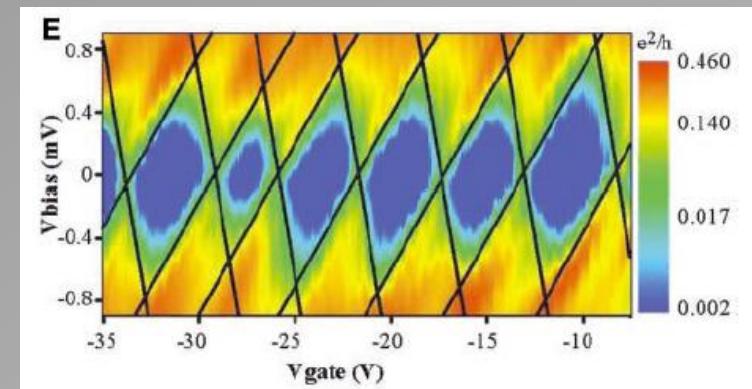
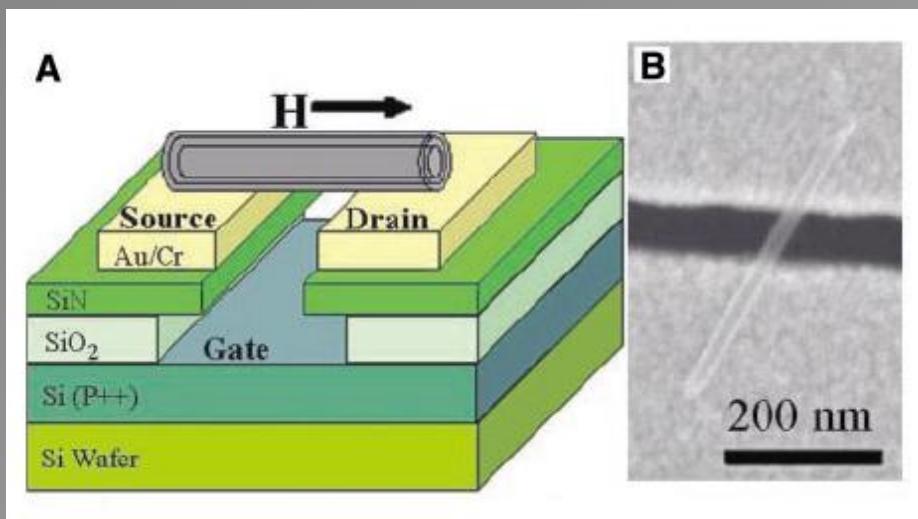
Nanotube in a circuit,

$\mu = \text{const}$, $T = 0\text{ K}$, $R = 25\text{ \AA}$,
 $L = 0.1\mu\text{m}$

μ_{chem}	0	$-0.3\gamma_- (+0.3\gamma_+)$	$-0.6\gamma_- (+0.6\gamma_+)$	$-\gamma_- (+\gamma_+)$
armchair (37,37)	26	5.1 (48)	46 (122)	≤ 1 (≤ 1)
chiral S (38,36)	-9	-26 (-20)	-39 (-35)	-8 (9)
chiral M (48,24)	26	19 (23)	-34 (-25)	-3 (-4)
chiral S (49,23)	-9	-46 (-21)	-23 (37)	≤ 1 (< 1)
chiral S (63,2)	-9.7	29 (59)	-49 (12)	117 (151)
zigzag M (63,0)	26	67 (19)	37 (-96)	-210 (-270)
zigzag S (64,0)	-9.8	29.6 (59.6)	-49 (16)	1060 (1370) at $B \ll 1\text{T}$

Aharonov-Bohm effect in multiwall nanotubes

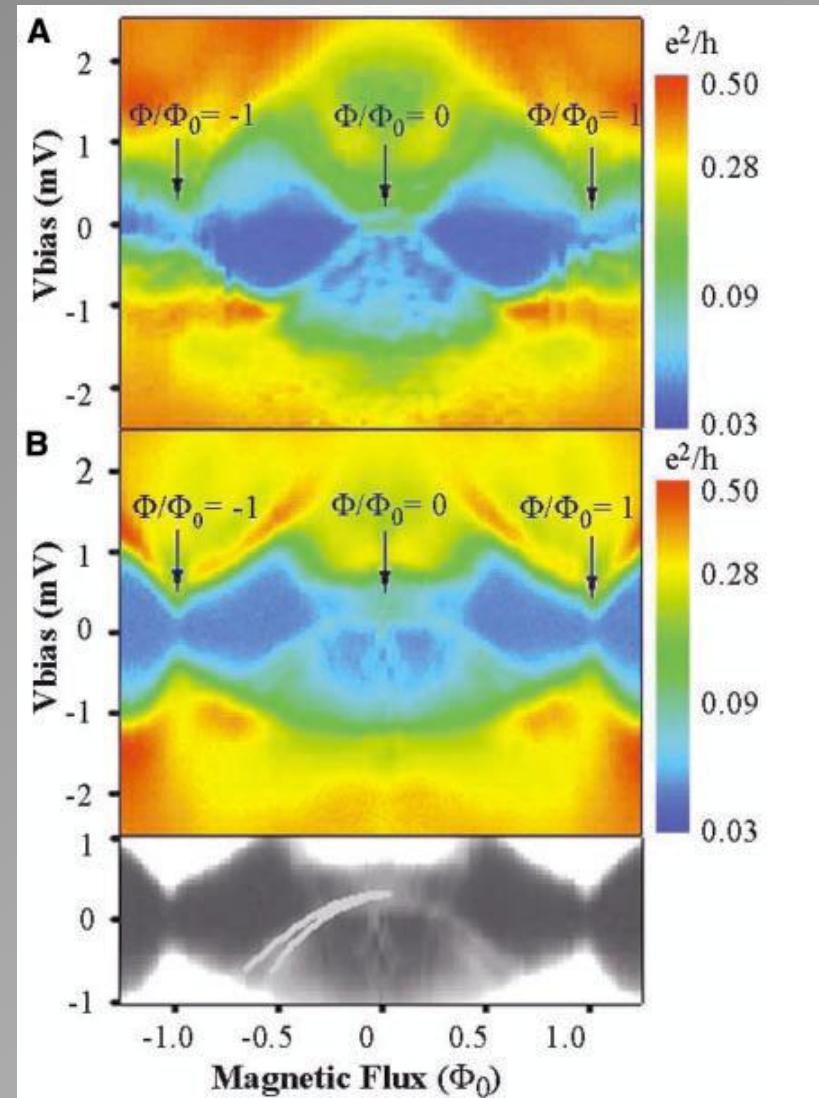
- Magnetic field necessary to obtain ϕ_0 in a single-wall nanotube ($R \approx 2.5$ nm) $\longrightarrow B = 210$ T !
- This difficulty can be circumvented by the use of multiwall nanotubes ($R \approx 15$ nm, $B(\phi_0) = 6$ T)



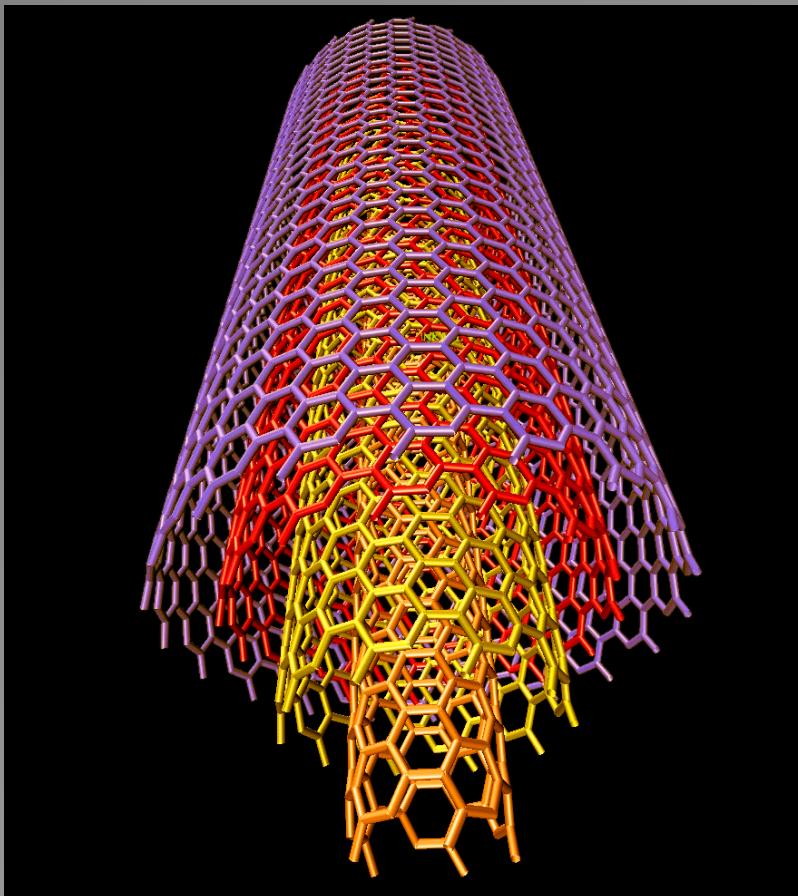
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Aharonov-Bohm effect in multiwall nanotubes

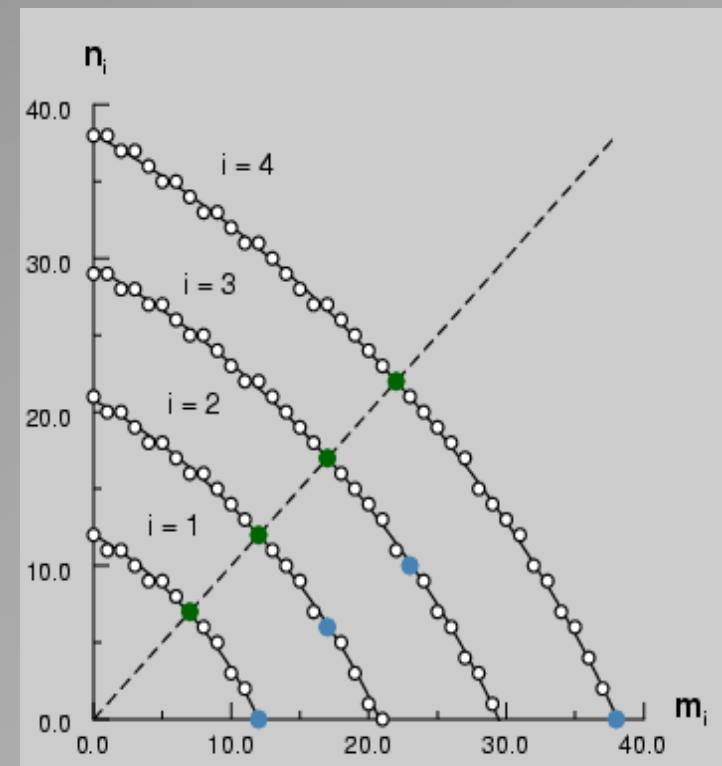
- Periodic variation of conductance
- Imperfect periodicity
→ a result of the magnetic response of inner nanotube shells?



Multiwall nanotubes, shell chiralities

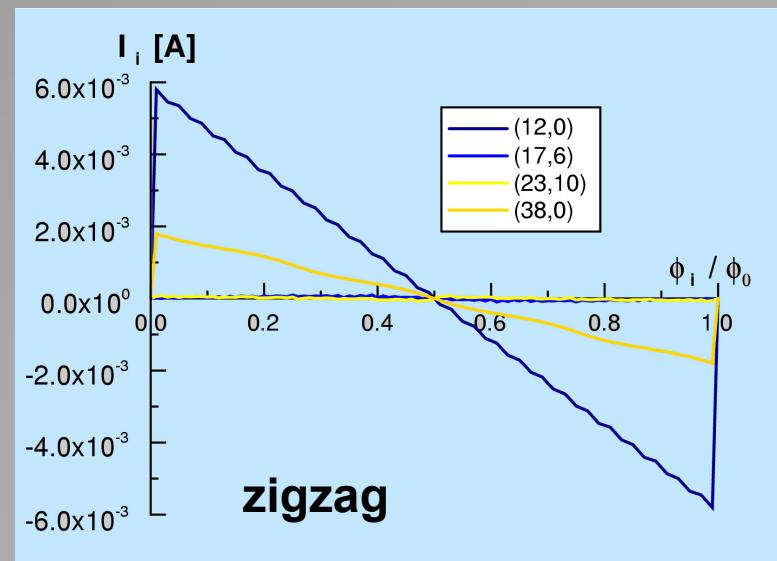
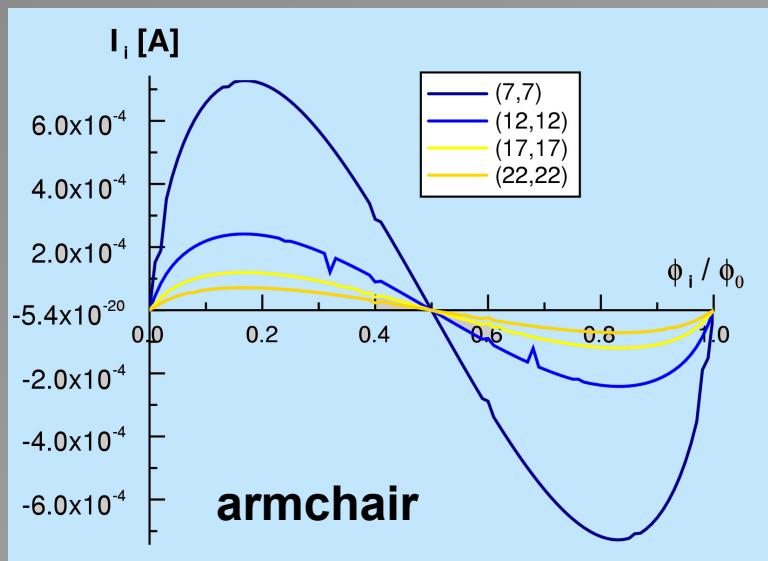


Possible shell chiralities may be found from the restriction on the intershell distance – it should be the same as in the turbostratic graphite, 3.4\AA .

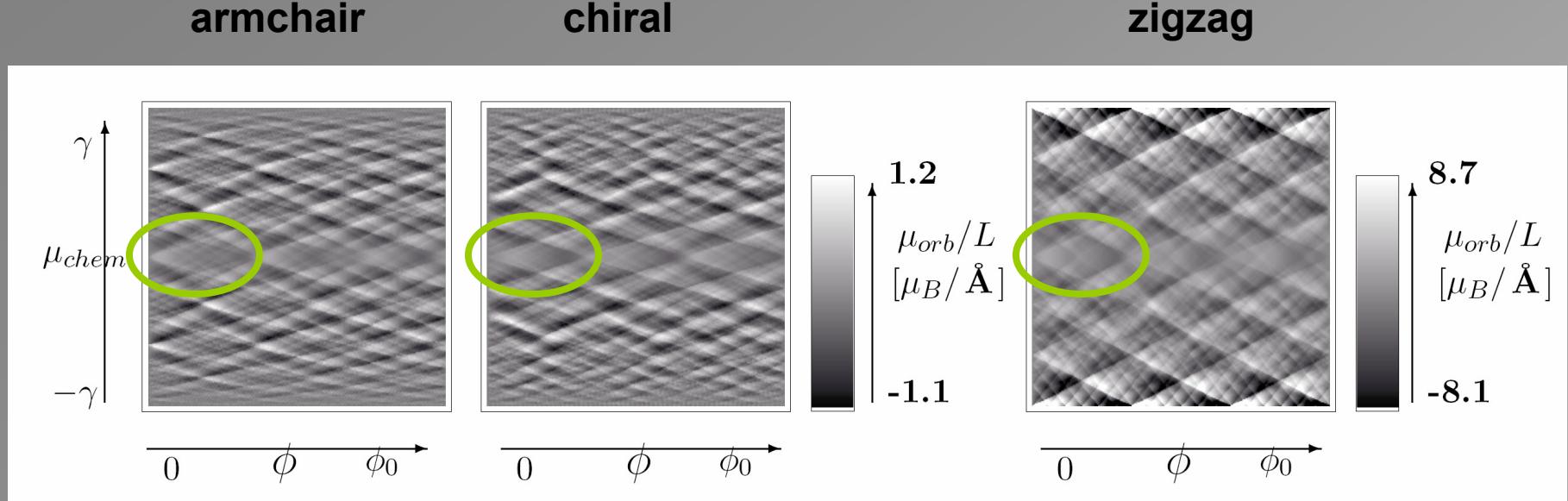


Optimal nanotube shell chiralities

inner shell	configuration type	outer zigzag or armchair parameters	inter-shell distance
zigzag ($m_1, 0$)	zigzag-zigzag	$(m_1 + 8, 0)$	3.13 Å
	zigzag-chiral-zigzag	$(m_1 + 9, 0)$	3.52 Å
	zigzag-chiral-chiral-zigzag	$(m_1 + 17, 0)$	3.32 Å
	zigzag-chiral-chiral-chiral-zigzag	$(m_1 + 18, 0)$	3.62 Å
	zigzag-chiral-chiral-chiral-zigzag	$(m_1 + 26, 0)$	3.39 Å
	zigzag-chiral-chiral-chiral-zigzag	$(m_1 + 27, 0)$	3.73 Å
armchair (m_1, m_1)	armchair, armchair	$(m_1 + 5, m_1 + 5)$	3.39 Å



Multiwall nanotubes – magnetic moment



Outer radius: 15 Å, three inner shells

T = 0, μ = const

- Complex periodicity
- In a nanotube with outer zigzag shell, its contribution clearly dominates in the full magnetic moment.

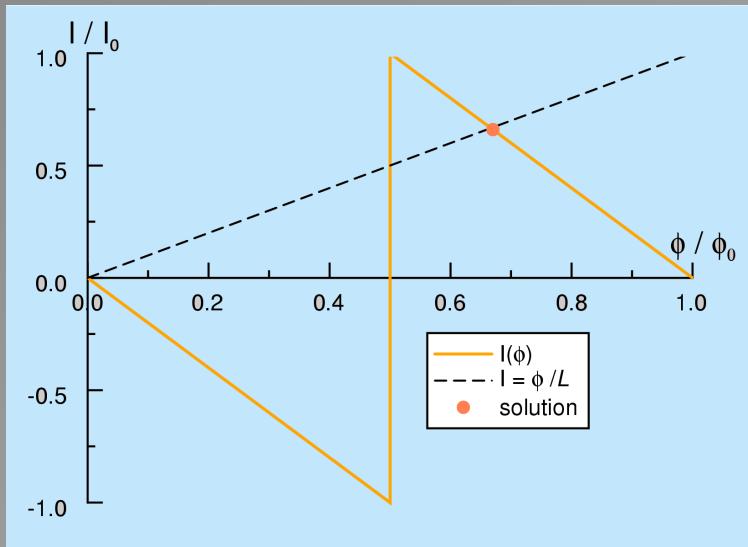
Trapped and spontaneous flux

M. Stebelski, M.S., E.Z., Z.Phys B 103 (1997) 79

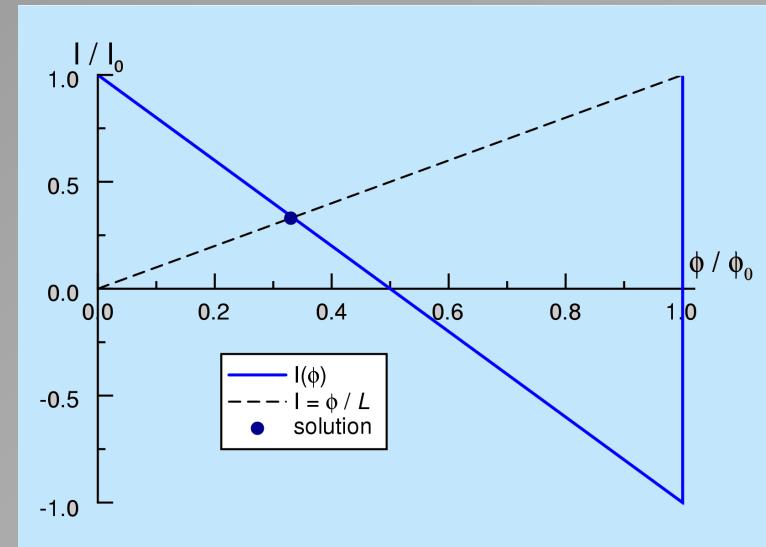
Persistent currents in the system induce a magnetic field which superposes with the external one.

$$\phi_t = \phi_e + \mathcal{L}I_t(\phi_t),$$

Together with the equation for the persistent current as the sum over momentum states, they form a pair of self-consistent equations which may have stable solutions.

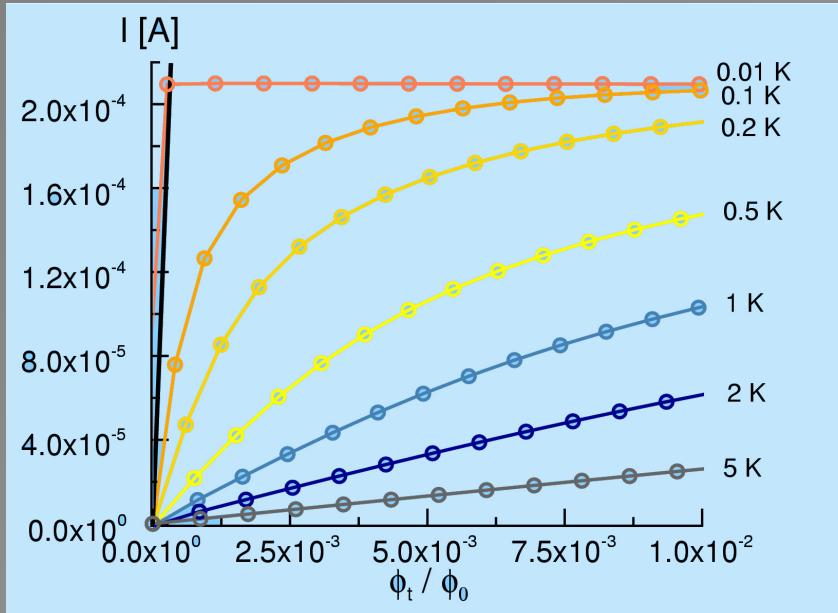


Trapped flux



Spontaneous flux

Spontaneous currents in multiwall nanotubes

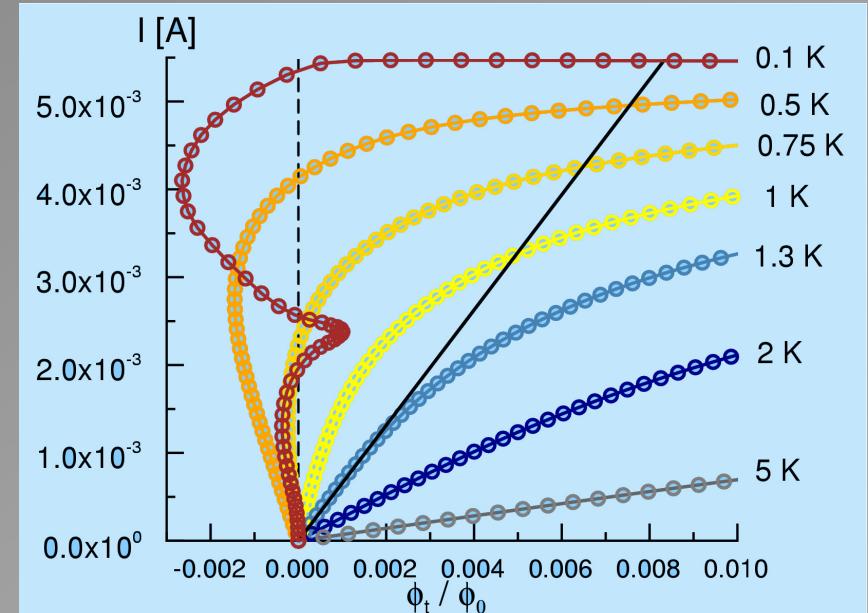


Armchair, $\mu = 0$

$R = 22\text{nm}$

$L = 1000\text{ nm}$

54 active shells



Zigzag and chiral, $\mu = -\gamma$

$R = 22\text{nm}$

$L = 1000\text{ nm}$

18 active shells

Conclusions

Unusual dispersion relation of graphene gives rise to several effects appearing in the presence of the magnetic field:

- ❖ Opening and closing of the energy gap in the nanotube in magnetic field → a change of the nanotube's conduction type
- ❖ Independence of the magnetic moment of the nanotube radius, linear dependence in tubes doped to $-\gamma$
- ❖ Only two types of $\mu(\phi)$ dependence at small doping: metallic and semiconducting

Conclusions, continued

- ❖ At carefully chosen doping, strong enhancement of the nanotube's magnetic response
- ❖ In low temperatures → spontaneous currents?
- ❖ Electron-hole symmetry at small μ , independent of temperature
- ❖ Possibility of determination of the π orbitals overlap through a measurement of the asymmetry at larger μ

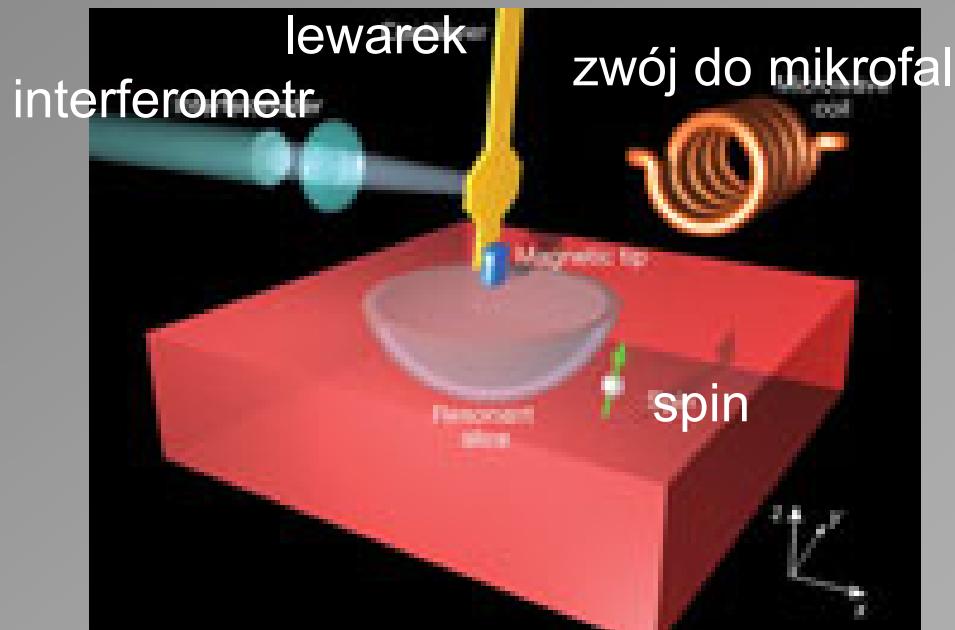
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Pytanie do ekspertów

Czy to się może udać?



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