# Spectroscopy of Carbon Nanotubes in Ultrahigh Magnetic Fields

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### *p*<sub>0</sub>-Periodic Band Structure



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



### 'Regensburg Butterfly' in a SWNT

*B* // tube

 $B \perp tube$ 



Calculated by Norbert Nemec and Giovanni Cuniberti ITP, University of Regensburg, D-93040 Regensburg, Germany



#### Magneto-Transport in Carbon Nanotubes

#### Disentangling Aharonov-Bohm Phenomena in Multiwall Carbon Nanotubes

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- Conductance modulations in multi-walled carbon nanotubes
- Relative contributions between the usual quantum interference and the predicted band gap oscillations









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- *B*-field-controlled metallicity
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### **SWNT: Chirality-Dependent Metallicity**



### **Band Structure of Graphene**



2D Graphite: zero-gap semiconductor ( $E_g = 0$  at K and K' points)



### **Metallicity Criterion for SWNT**



(n,n) or armchair tubes

(n,0) or zigzag tubes

Quantization  $\rightarrow$  slice up k space of 2D graphite into allowed k line segments

Line passing through the K or K' point → metallic



### Carbon Nanotubes in Parallel *B*-field: The Aharonov-Bohm Phase

Magnetic Flux  $\phi$ 



Bloch theorem:  

$$\begin{aligned}
\psi_{n\vec{k}}(\vec{r} + \vec{R}) &= e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{R}}\psi_{n\vec{k}}(\vec{r}) \\
\text{Periodic boundary cond., } B &= 0 \\
\psi_{n\vec{k}}(\vec{r} + \vec{C}_h) &= \psi_{n\vec{k}}(\vec{r}), \\
\vec{C}_h &= n\vec{a}_1 + m\vec{a}_2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{k} \cdot \vec{C}_h &= 2\pi j, \\
j &= \text{integer}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Ouantization condition} \\
\psi_{n\vec{k}}(\vec{r} + \vec{C}_h) &= \psi_{n\vec{k}}(\vec{r})e^{2\pi i(\phi/\phi_0)}, \\
\phi &= B\pi (d/2)^2, \phi_0 &= h/e
\end{aligned}$$



### Allowed k States





### Band Structure of an (8,8) Tube

0 T

1000 T



Metal





1.5

1

## Predicted Aharonov-Bohm Oscillations of Band Gap in SWNT



### Band Gap Shrinkage and the K-K' Splitting



### **Relevant Energy Scales**



 $\phi/\phi_0 \sim 10^{-2}$  at 100 T for d = 1 nm









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### Individually-Suspended SWNTs



## PL Excitation (PLE) Spectroscopy



## **Excitation Energy vs. Diameter**

S. M. Bachilo et al., Science 298, 2361 (2002)



### **Excitons**



- Huge binding energy  $\rightarrow$  extremely stable
- Lineshape: 1-D VHS (asymmetric) → 1-D excitons (symmetric)
- Sommerfeld factor < 1 (*collapse* of 1-D VHS)



### **Exciton Binding Energies**



T. G. Pedersen, Carbon 42, 1007 (2004).



### **Many-Particle Effects**



T. Ando, J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 66, 1066 (1997); C. Spataru et al., PRL 92, 077402 (2004)



### **Excitons in Carbon Nanotubes**

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### **Ultrafast Optics in Carbon Nanotubes**

G. N. Ostojic *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 117402 (2004). G. N. Ostojic *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **94**, 097401 (2005).



### **Exploration of Ultrahigh Magnetic Fields**

Explosive flux compression method (< ~2800 T) EM flux compression method (< -620 T) Single-turn coil method (< ~200 T) Non-destructive pulsed magnets (< ~100 T) **B**(T)  $10^{2}$ 10<sup>3</sup> 104 10 Hybrid magnets (< 45 T) Superconducting magnets (< ~23 T) Permanent magnets (< a few T) 1 Tesla =  $10^4$  Gauss Earth's magnetic field (=  $0.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ T}$ ) 100 Tesla = 1 Megagauss



# **High-Field Magnets**

- DC Magnetic Fields:
  - $B < 10 \text{ T} \rightarrow \text{Superconducting magnet (Rice)}$
  - $B < 33 \text{ T} \rightarrow \text{Resistive magnets (NHMFL, Tallahassee)}$
  - $B < 45 \text{ T} \rightarrow \text{Hybrid magnet (NHMFL, Tallahassee)}$
- Pulsed Magnetic Fields
  - *B* < 75 T (non-destructive, ms) Toulouse, France
  - B < 75 T (non-destructive, ms) NHMFL, Los Alamos
  - B < 150 T (destructive,  $\mu$ s) Humboldt Univ., Berlin















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### **Observation 1**

# Magnetic Alignment



### **Magnetic Alignment**

**Metallic Tubes** 

$$\chi_{\prime\prime}>0,\,\chi_{\perp}<0,\,|\chi_{\prime\prime}|>>|\chi_{\perp}|$$

Semiconducting Tubes

 $\chi < 0, |\chi_{//}| << |\chi_{\perp}|$ 

**Alignment Energy** 



Ajiki & Ando (1993); Lu (1995)

$$\Delta U = U(90^\circ) - U(0^\circ) = B^2 N(\chi_{//} - \chi_{\perp})$$

Measure of alignment: 
$$u = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta U}{k_B T}} \propto Bd$$
 for given T

D. A. Walters et al., Chem. Phys. Lett. 338, 14 (2001)



### Magnetic Alignment of an Ensemble of SWNTs



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## Polarization-Dependent Absorption in the Voigt Geometry



- The *Voigt* geometry:  $k \perp B$
- Two polarization configurations:
   B || P or B \prod P \prod P
- *B*-field *aligns* the tubes
   → *optical anisotropy*



### CW Absorption up to 45 T



## **Dynamic Magnetic Alignment**





Non-destructive, ~100 msec



### Probing Relaxation Time (55 T, 100 ms pulse)







### **Observation 2**

# **Splittings in Absorption**



### **E**<sub>11</sub> Absorption up to 45 T



### B-induced Peak Broadening (< 45 T)



### B-induced Peak Splitting (> 55 T)





S. Zaric *et al.*, cond-mat/0509429





### **Observation 3**

# Red-Shifts in Photoluminescence



### **B-induced Red Shifts of PL Peaks**



S. Zaric et al., Science 304, 1129 (2004); Nano Lett. 4, 2219 (2004)



## Nonlinear **B** Dependence



- 790 nm (1.57 eV) excitation, RT
- Peaks broaden and red shift with increasing *B*

 Nothing happens until *B* reaches
 20-25 T

S. Zaric *et al.*, Science **304**, 1129 (2004)



### Magnetic Alignment of a SWNT Ensemble



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	Measure of alignment:
45 T	$B^2 N(\chi_{\prime\prime} - \chi_{\perp})$
40 T	$u = \sqrt{\frac{k_B T}{k_B T}} \propto B$
	Defines the angle distribution
35 T	Has to be > 1 for alignment to occur
30 T	$dP(\theta) = \frac{\exp(-u^2 \sin^2 \theta) \sin \theta d\theta}{1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 +$
<b>25 Т</b>	$\int \exp(-u^2 \sin^2 \theta) \sin \theta d\theta$
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20 T	Maxwell-Boltzmann
	S. Zaric et al., Science
0 T	<b>304</b> , 1129 (2004); Nano Lett. <b>4</b> , 2219 (2004)
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### **PL Simulations**

- Peak positions calculated from Ajiki-Ando theory
- Multiple Lorentzian peaks
- Zeeman splitting with g = 2 included ( $\rightarrow$  5.22 meV at 45 T)
- Carrier population taken into account according to  $P_i \propto \exp(-E_i/kT)$  (Boltzmann factor)
- Incomplete magnetic alignment → angular distribution of nanotubes



### Nonlinear **B**-Dependence of PL

#### **Experiment**

#### Simulation



### Summary

#### High-Field Magneto-Optics in SWNTs

Accomplished:

- Magnetic alignment (induced large optical anisotropy)
- Absorption peaks show broadening and splitting
- PL peaks show significant red shifts with B
- ✓ Simulation taking into account carrier population and angular distribution shows agreement → Evidence of AB phase  $2\pi\phi/\phi_0$  in optical spectra of SWNTs
- Estimated  $\chi$  anisotropy:  $\chi_{//} \chi_{\perp} = 1.4 \ x \ 10^{-5}$  emu/mole



### **Current & Future Work**

- Higher field necessary to see band gap collapse and oscillations → experiments with destructive pulsed magnets in progress (< 300 T: ♣) and in preparation (< 2800 T: €)</li>
- Wider-diameter nanotubes preferred → double-walled nanotubes
- Low temperature PL on films → narrower line widths & no need to consider alignment dynamics
- Metallic nanotubes should show band gap opening with B → FIR/THz spectroscopy in B





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