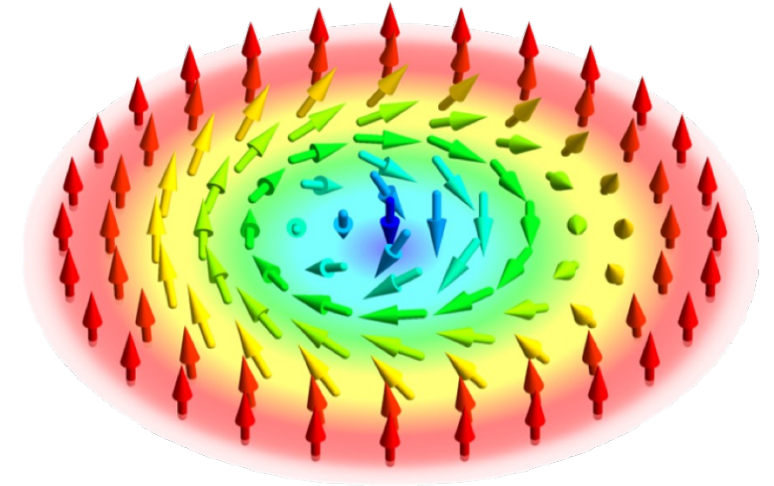
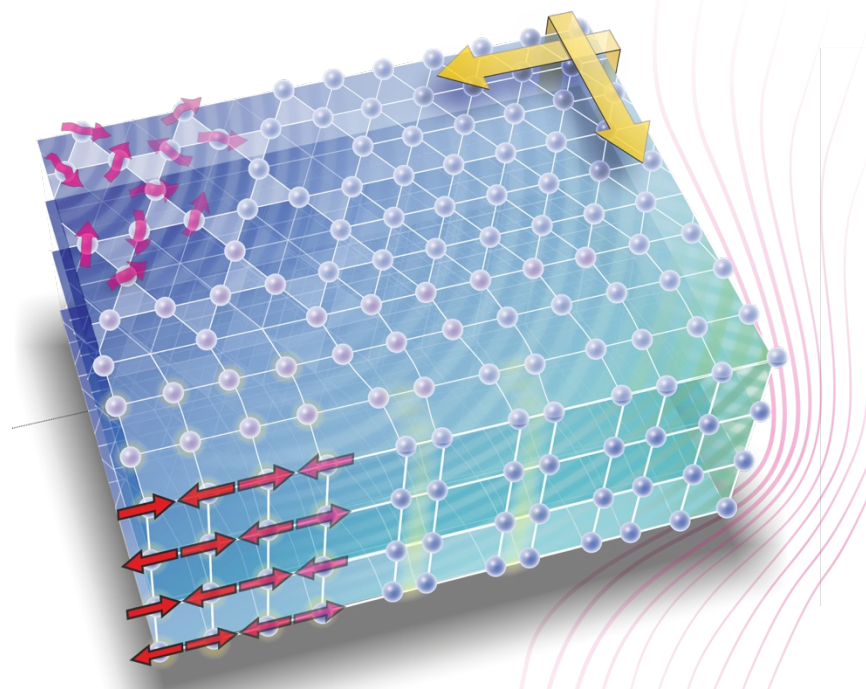
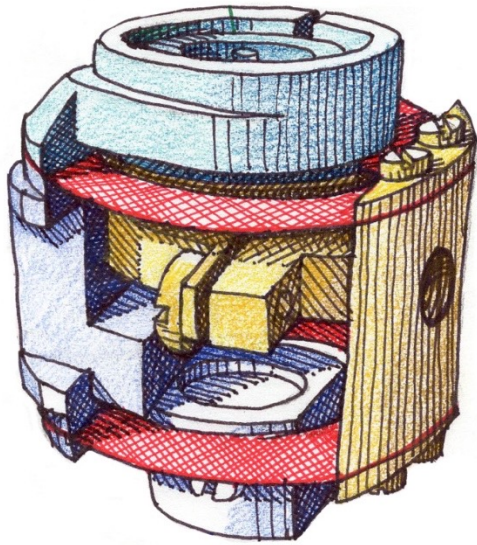


Electronic Properties of Solids - I

Elektronische Eigenschaften von Festkörpern I



Lecturers

Lectures

Tuesday 9.45 - 11.15

Friday 9.45 - 11.15



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Electronic properties of solids I - ILIAS



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Password to register the in tutorials: EevFk1

- Registration for tutorial groups – max. 20 participants per group
- Exercises are online seven days in advance of the tutorial session
- PPT-files, lecture notes and other documents will be put online at the end of each chapter

Electronic properties of solids I tutorials and certificate

Certificate / Schein (necessary for - nötig für Schwerpunkt-,Ergänzungs- und Nebenfach):

- Compulsory presence
- Submit written solution to **60%** of the problems until the day before
(concretely : 3 out of 4 or 5 problems)
- Tutors will pick up those who will present their solution to the class in the morning on the day of the class (**indicate if you are ready to discuss a problem, and if so which one in you email!**)
- Everyone should be able to discuss a problem at least once in the term

Dates: Nov. 8th/Nov. 22th/Dec. 6th/Dec. 20th/Jan. 17th/ Jan. 31st/ Feb. 14th

Oral Examination

TIME: 17h30-19h00 - Room 3/1 (Physics Hochhaus)

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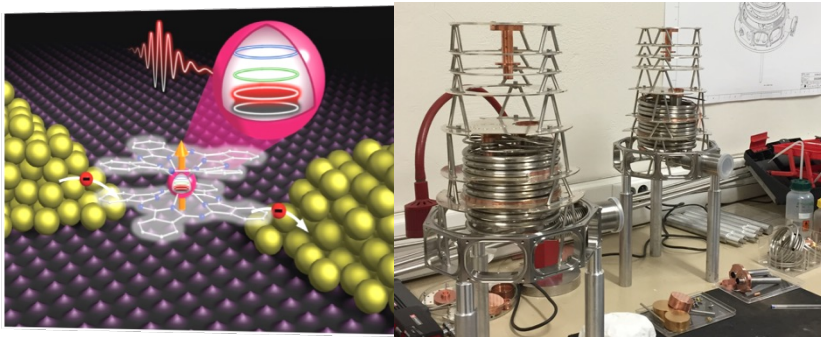
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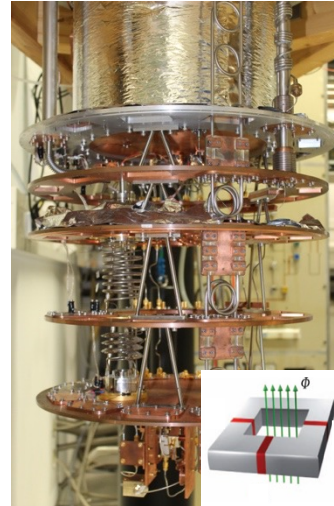
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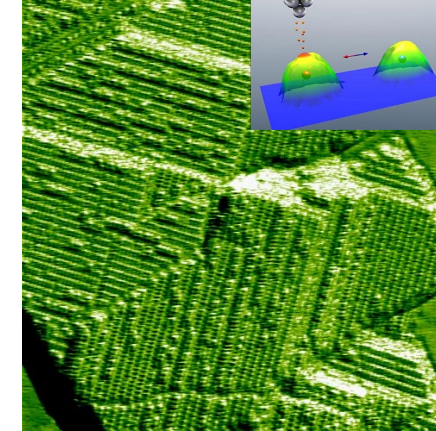
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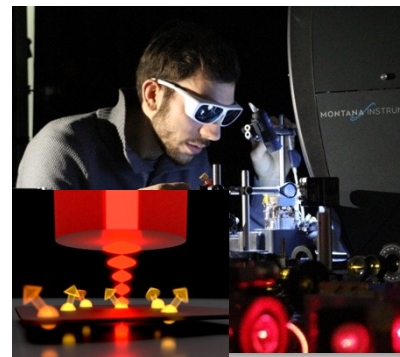
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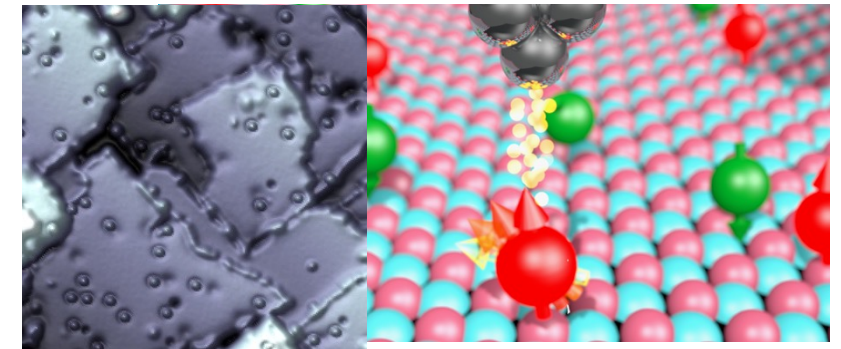
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AG Hunger: Quantum Optics



AG Willke: Control of Atomic Quantum Systems



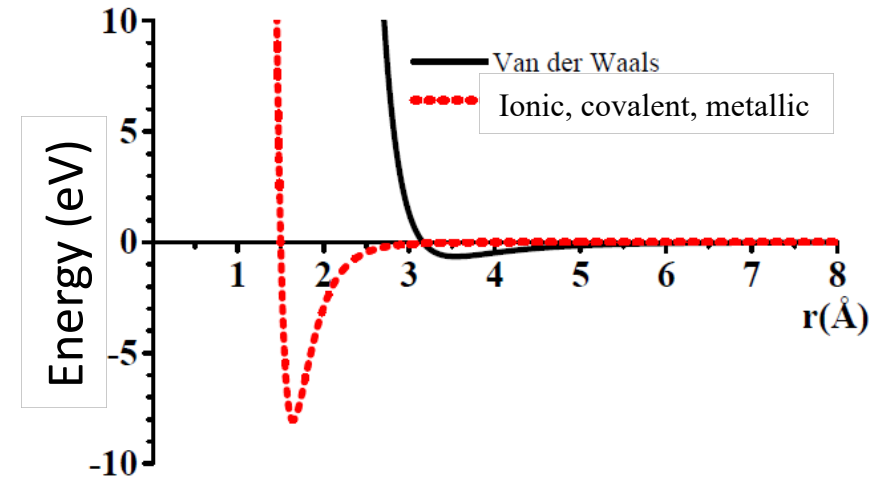
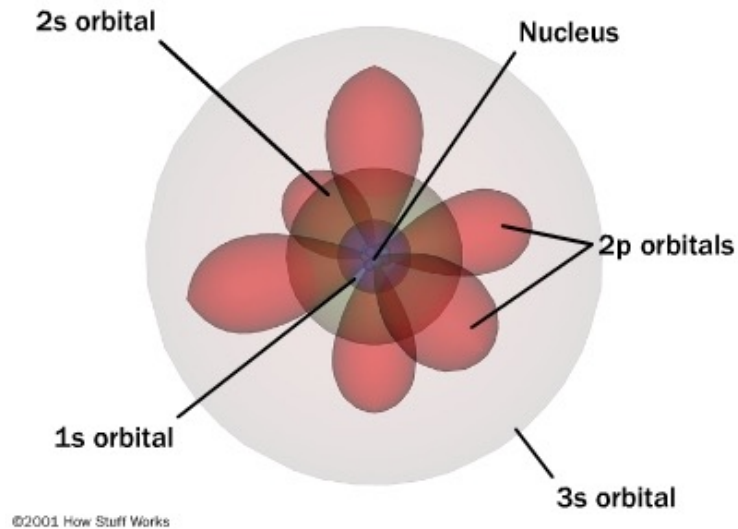
An inspiring quote to start with...

'The fundamental laws necessary for the mathematical treatment of a large part of physics and the whole of chemistry are thus completely known, and the difficulty lies only in the fact that application of these laws leads to equations that are too complex to be solved.'

— Paul A. M. Dirac

'Quantum Mechanics of Many-Electron Systems',
Proceedings of the Royal Society (1929), A, **123**, 714-733.

From the atomic building block...



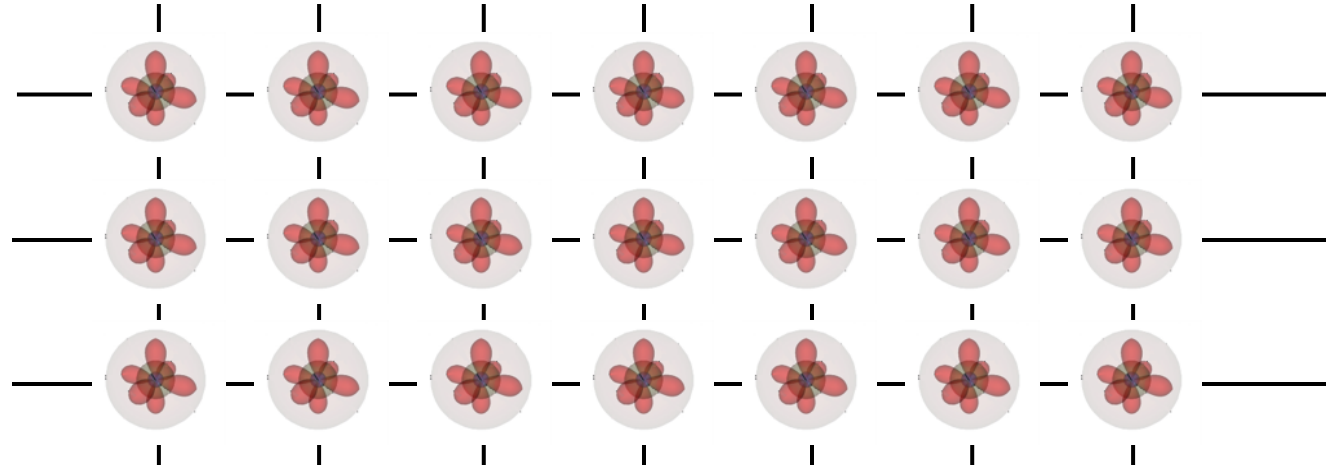
- Nucleus : charge Ze + mass
spin I (magnetic moment $\mathbf{M}_I = -g\mu_N \mathbf{I}$)

$$\mu_B = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e}$$

- Electrons : charge e
spin $\mathbf{S}$ (magnetic moment $\mathbf{M}_S = -g\mu_B \mathbf{S}$)

$$\mu_N = \frac{e\hbar}{2M} \ll \mu_B$$

... to the solid



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Wave function of the Universe

J. B. Hartle

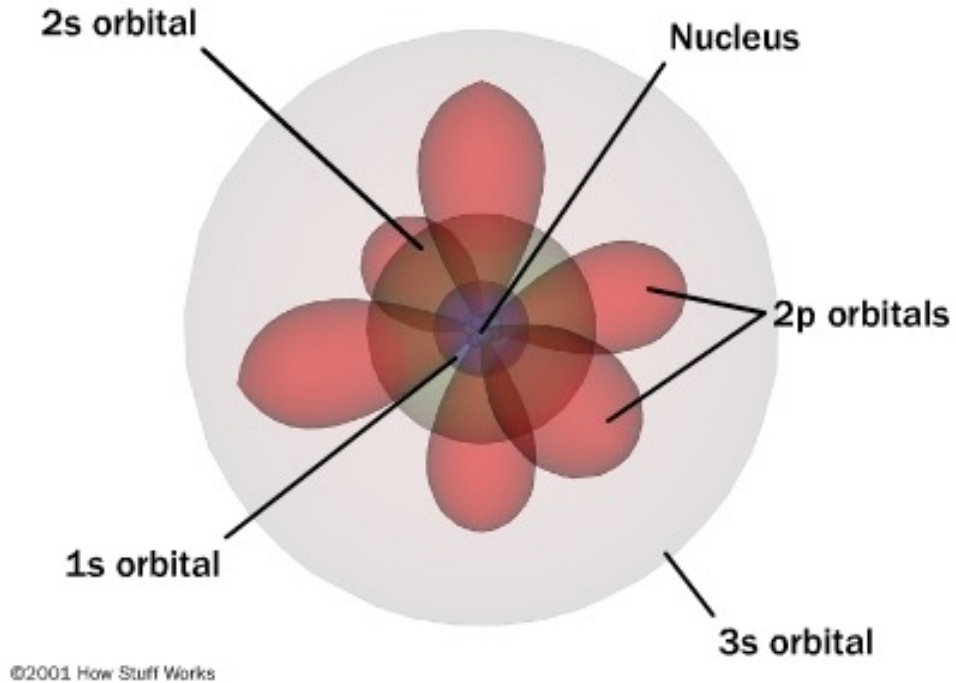
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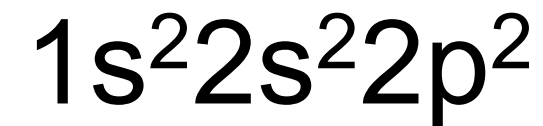
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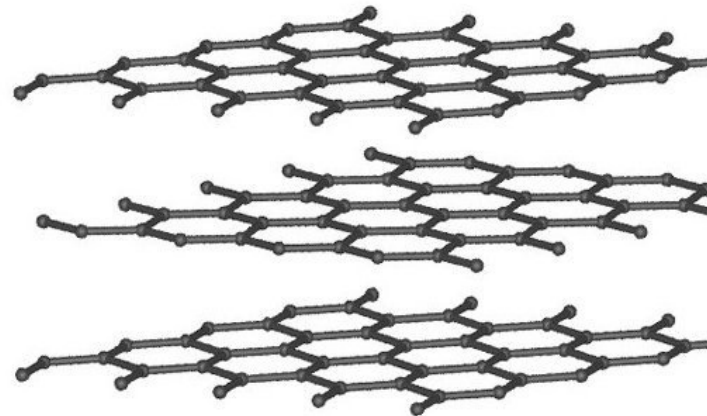
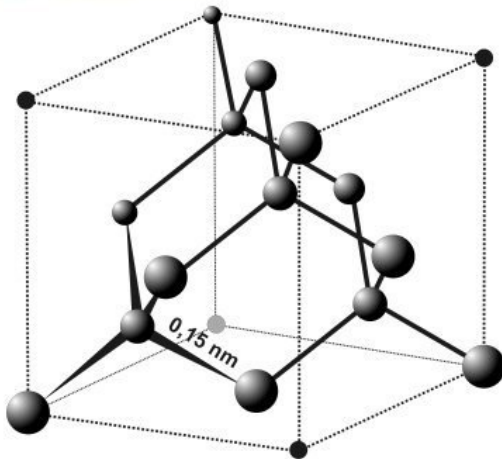
Solve Schrödinger equation: $\mathcal{H}|\psi\rangle = E|\psi\rangle$ $\psi(\mathbf{r}_1 \dots \mathbf{r}_N, \mathbf{R}_1 \dots \mathbf{R}_{N'})$ with $N, N' \sim 10^{23}$



e.g. Carbon ($Z=6$)



Two very different objects made out of C only!



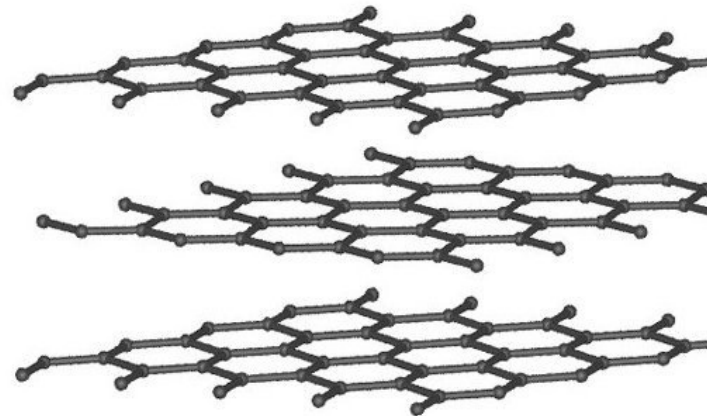
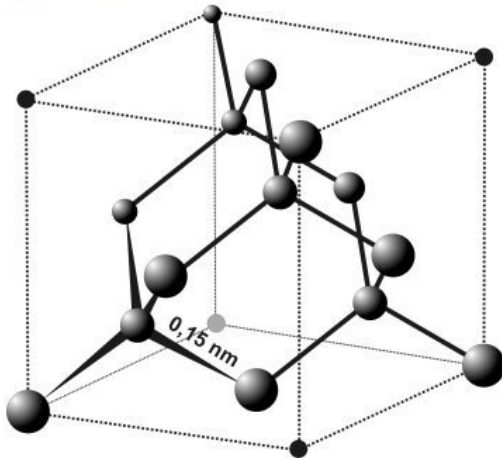
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Very different:

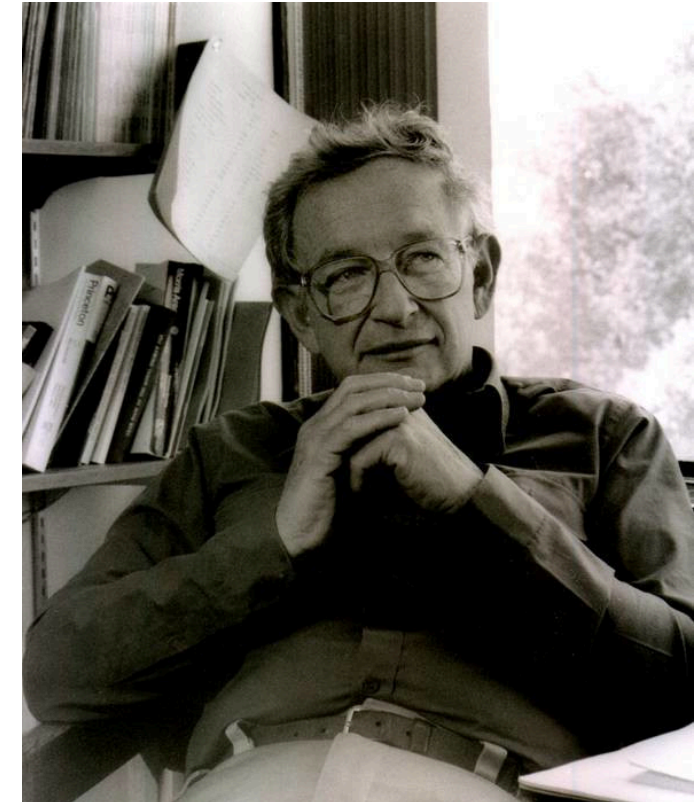
- Mechanical properties
(very hard against friable)
 - Electronic properties
(insulating vs metallish)
 - Optical properties
(Transparent vs opaque)
- etc...

Nothing in the electronic structure
of isolated Carbon atoms to account
for these differences

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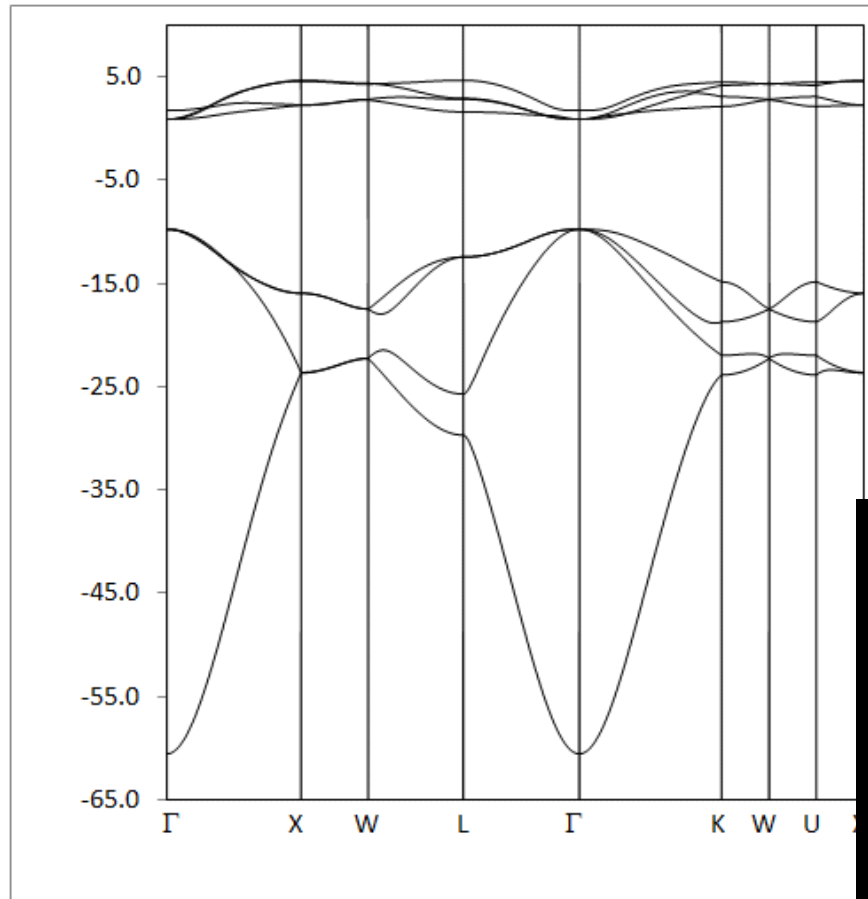


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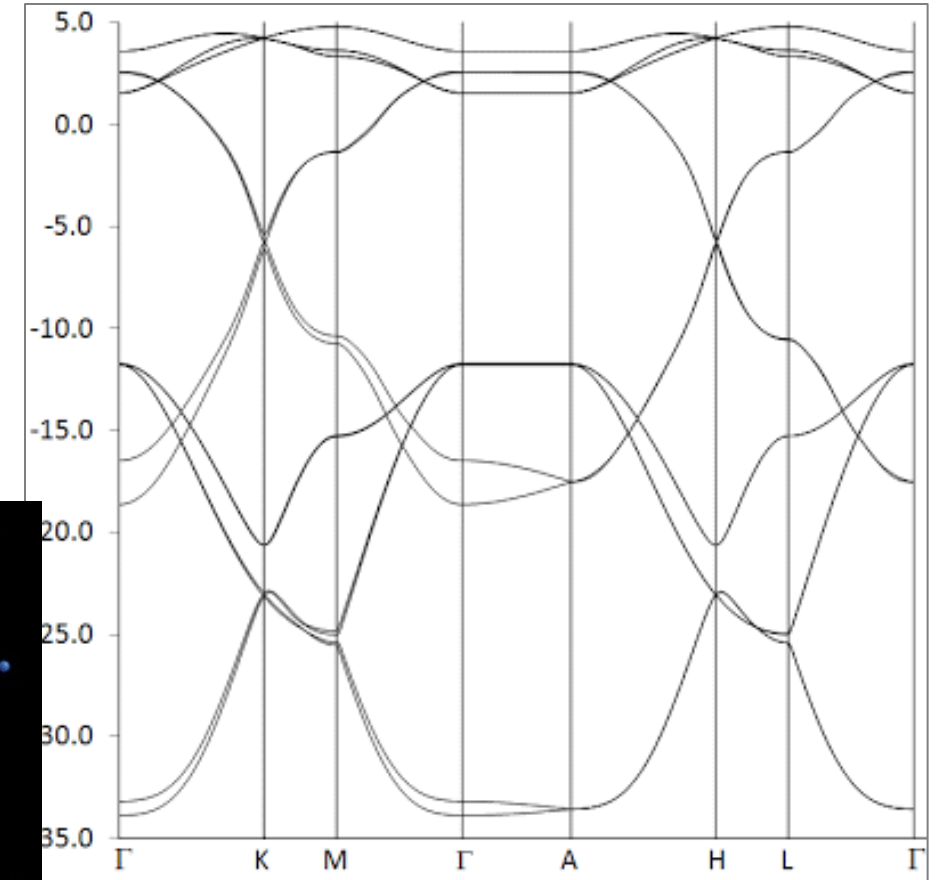
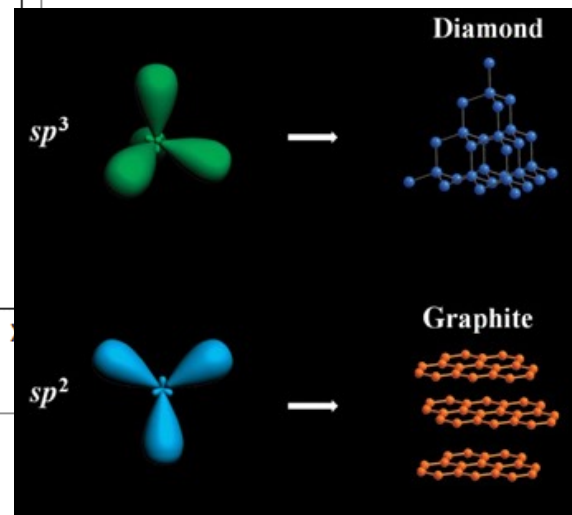


PW Anderson (1923 – 2020)
Nobel 1972

Back to Carbon compounds: Which is which?

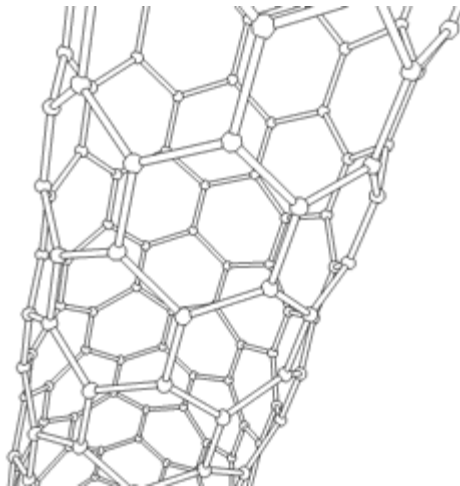


$1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$



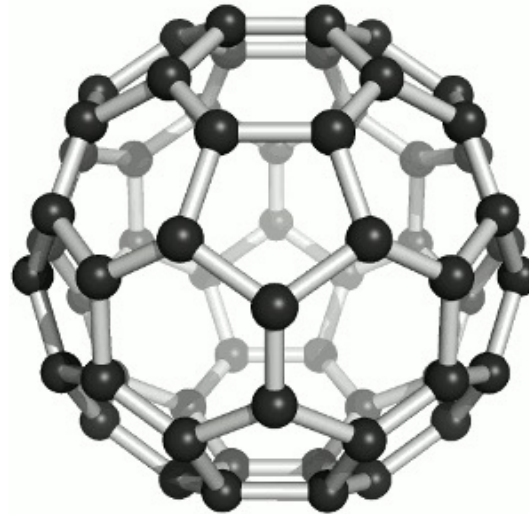
Other 'C-only' materials...

Nanotubes



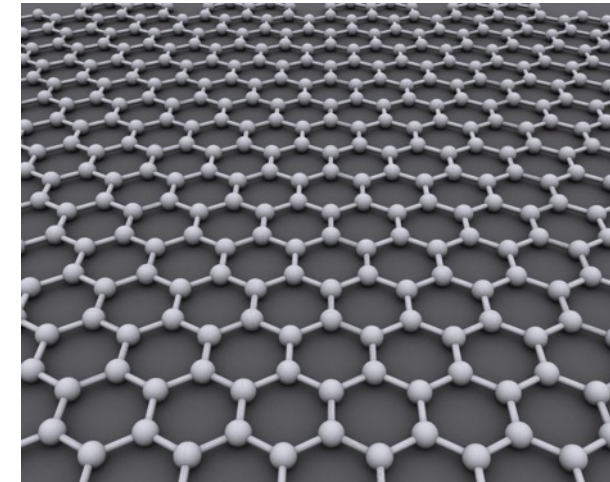
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Fullerenes



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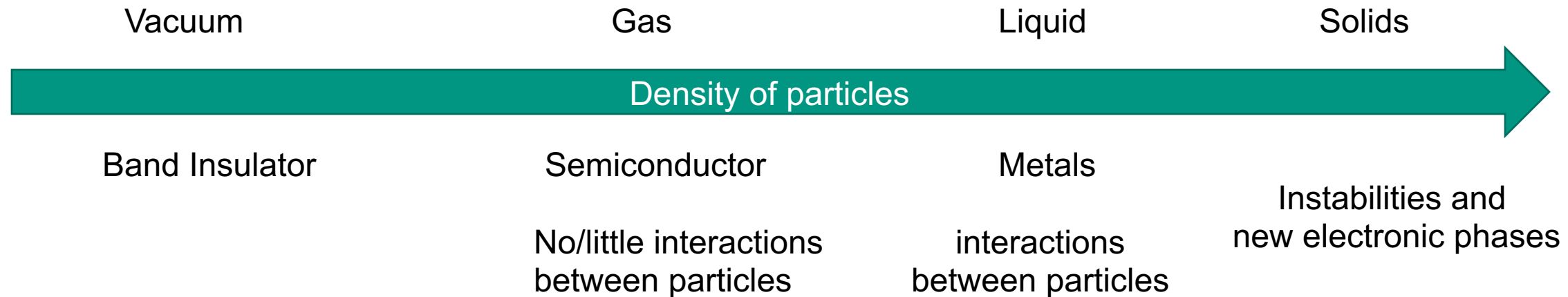
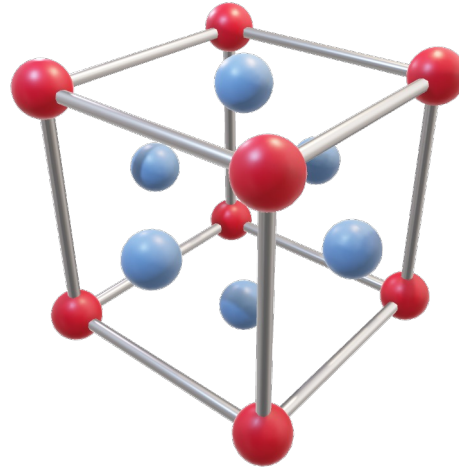
Graphene



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... that all have properties very different from that of diamond or graphite

Physics of electrons in Condensed Matter



Condensed Matter Hamiltonian

Objective:

Understand and predict the physical properties of materials

Approach #1: Effective 'low-energy' Model

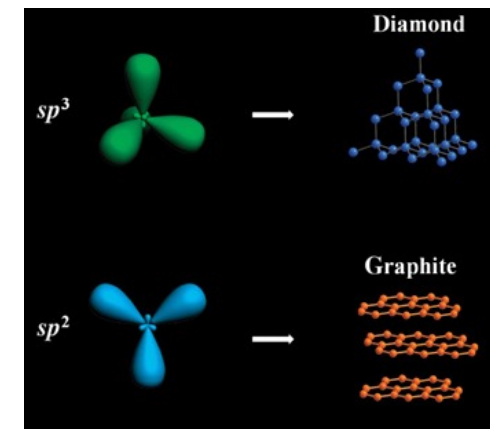
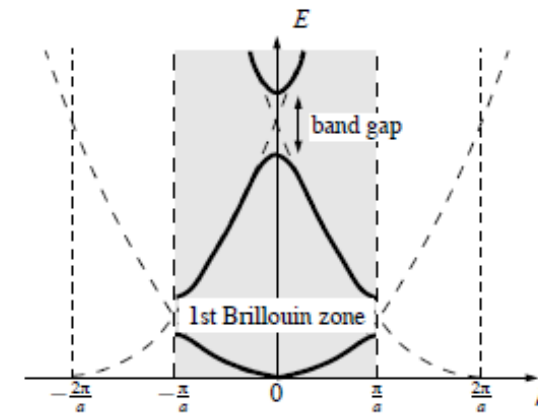
*What are the relevant physical ingredients required to capture
the important physics of the system?*

- Free electrons $\mathcal{H} = \sum_i \frac{\mathbf{p}_i^2}{2m_i}$ + scattering (Drude)
+ Fermi-Dirac statistic (Sommerfeld)

- Electrons in a weak periodic potential

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_i \frac{\mathbf{p}_i^2}{2m_i} + V(\mathbf{r}_i)$$

- Tight binding models (LCAO), variational approaches etc...



Condensed Matter Hamiltonian

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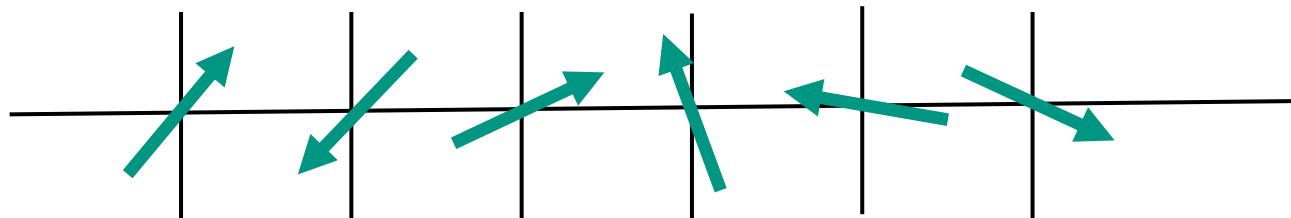
Understand and predict the physical properties of materials

Approach #1: Effective 'low-energy' Model

*What are the relevant physical ingredients required to capture
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Other example to deal with magnetic degrees of freedom only

- Magnetism (e.g. Heisenberg Model) $\mathcal{H} = \sum_{i,j} J_{i,j} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j$



Condensed Matter Hamiltonian

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Approach #2: ab-initio [Density Functional Theory + approx.]

Calculates the ground-state from first principles

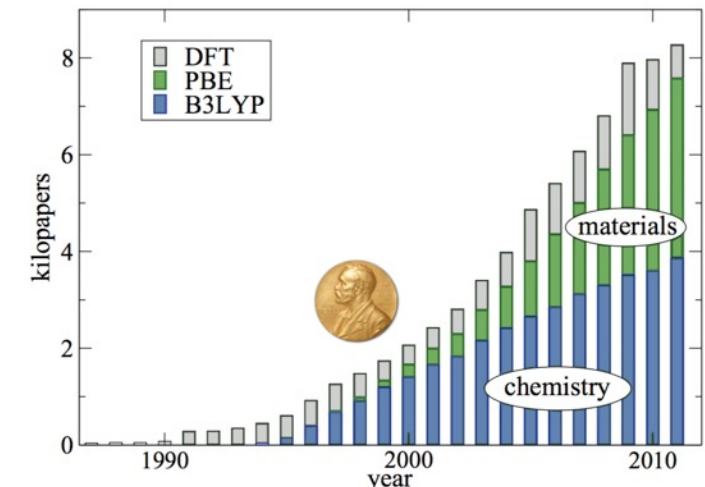
$$\psi(\mathbf{r}_1 \dots \mathbf{r}_N, \mathbf{R}_1 \dots \mathbf{R}_{N'}) \rightarrow \psi[n(\mathbf{r})] \quad E = |\langle \psi | \mathcal{H} | \psi \rangle|$$

‘Trick’: find a good approximation to estimate $n(\mathbf{r})$

Advice to the interested:

https://www.nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/chemistry/laureates/1998/kohn-lecture.pdf

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Condensed Matter Hamiltonian

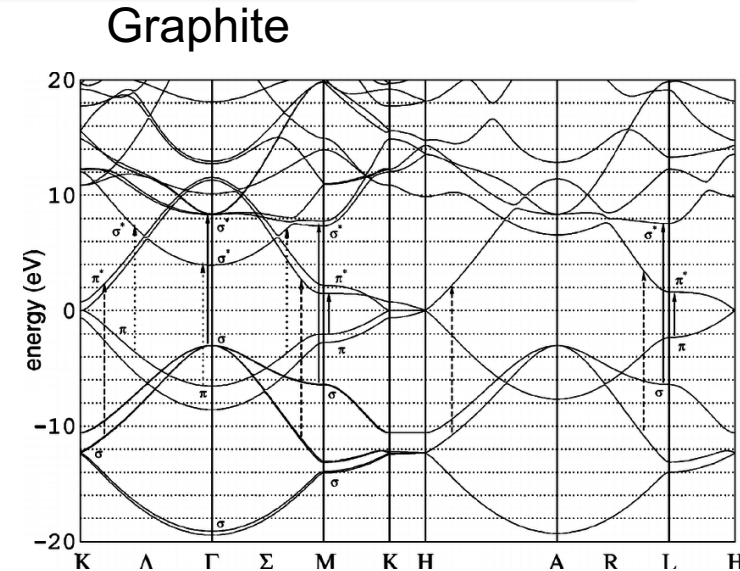
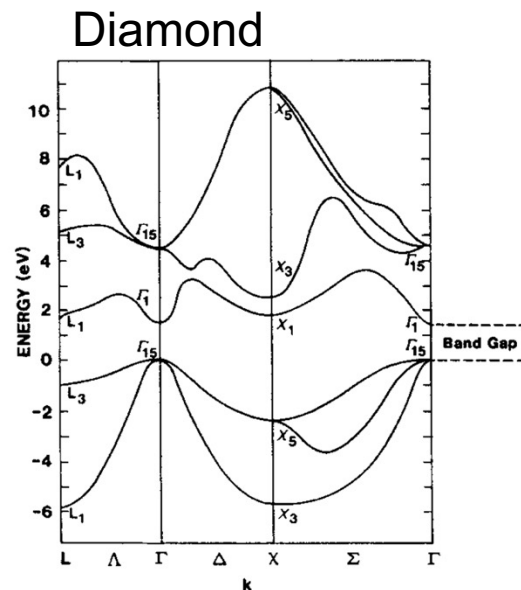
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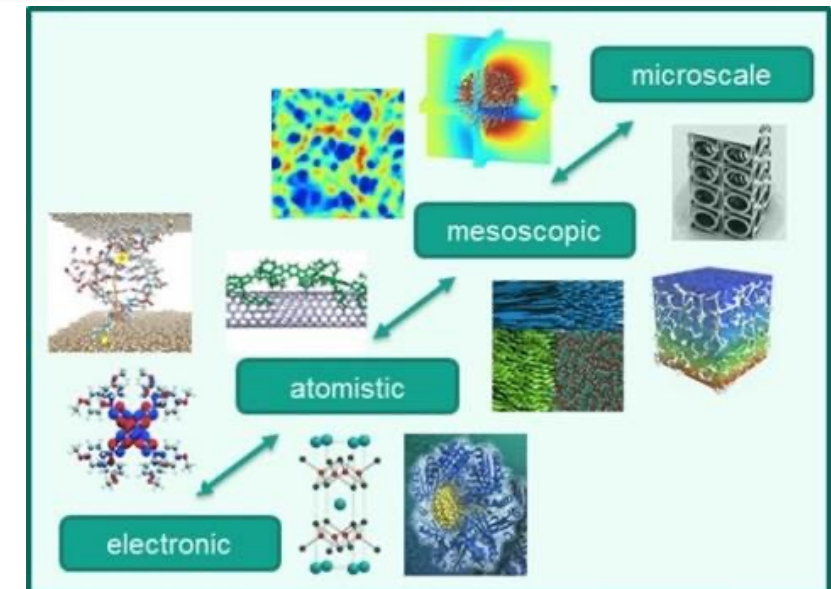
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Towards the design of novel materials with tailored electronic properties

Joint Laboratory Virtual Materials Design
Coordinator: W. Wenzel



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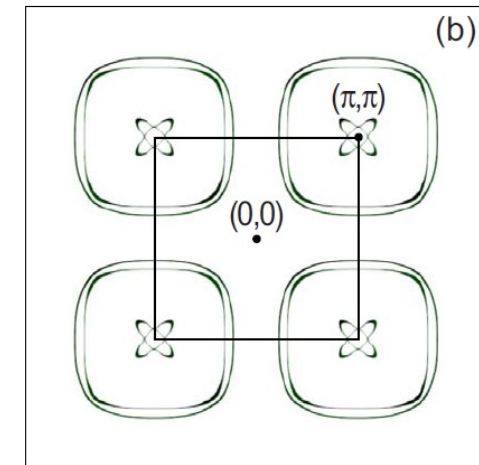
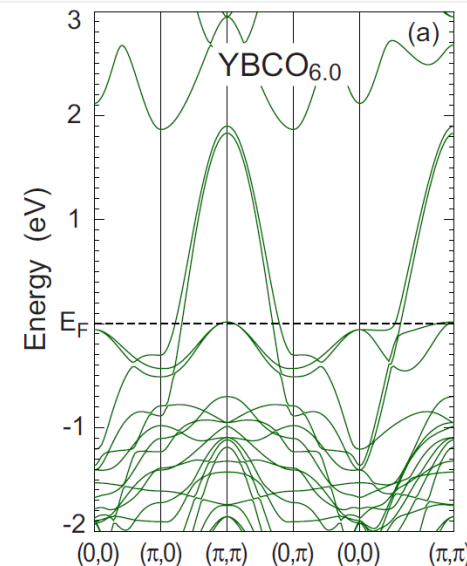
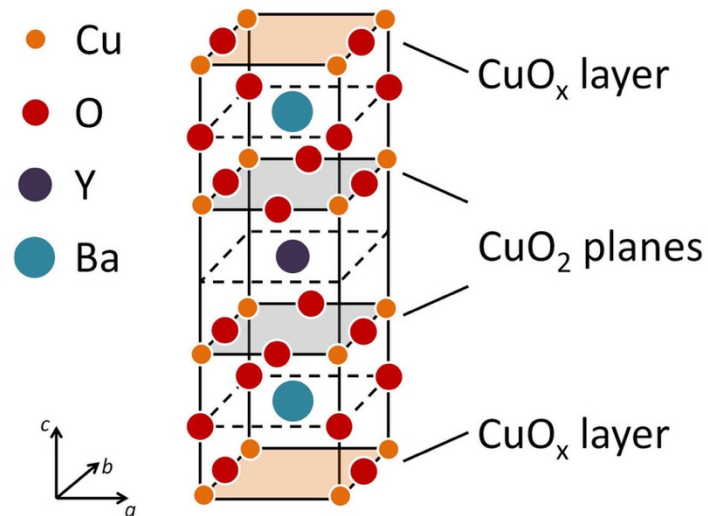
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very successful **but** hard with some interactions e.g. strong Coulomb repulsion between electrons

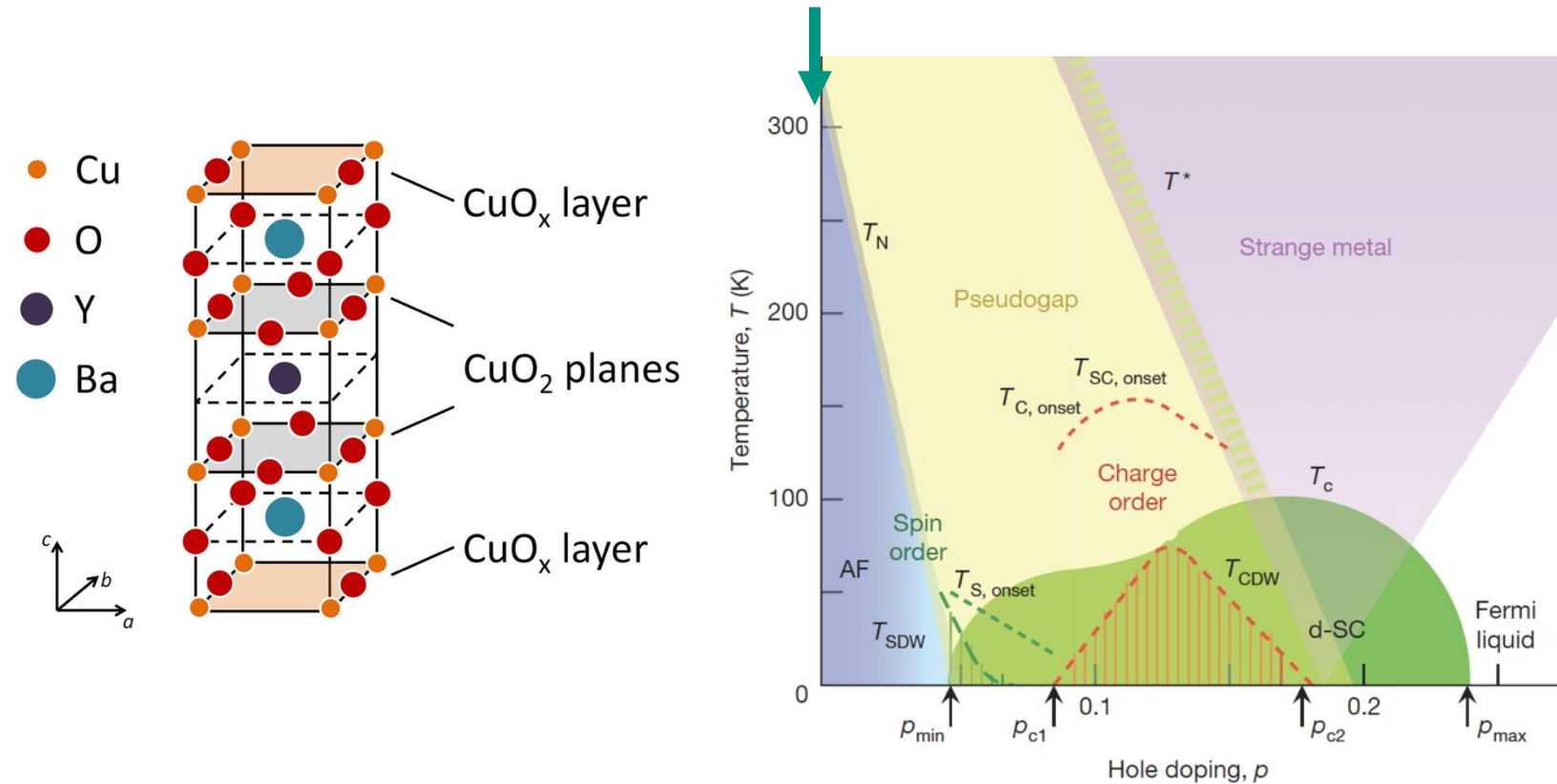
A Nobelprize-worth fail:

Electronic Structure
of $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_6$



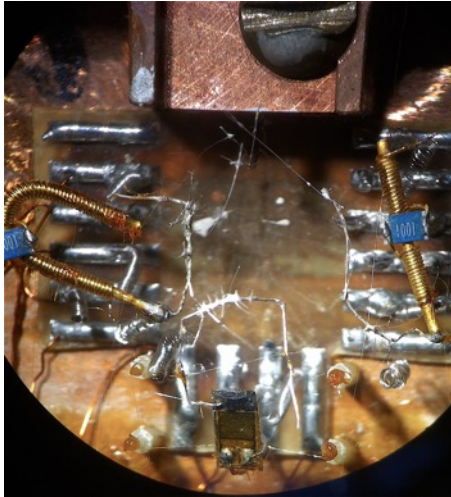
Eflimov et al. PRB **77** R060504 (2008)

$\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_6$ is in fact a *magnetic Insulator*



Biased Conclusion #1:

This is physics - Theory is good, but **in the end Experiment wins**



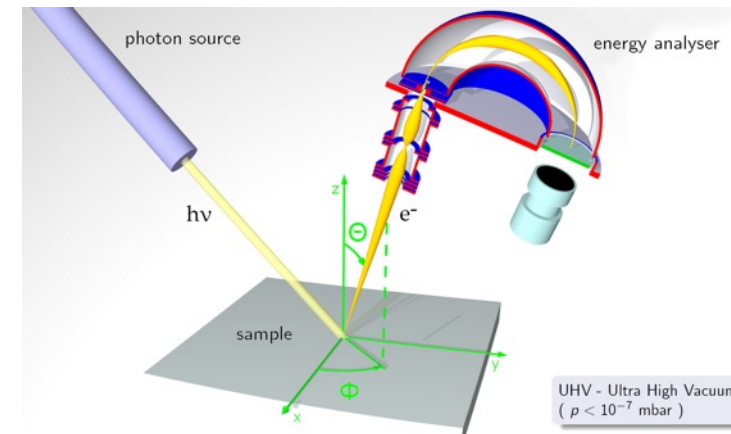
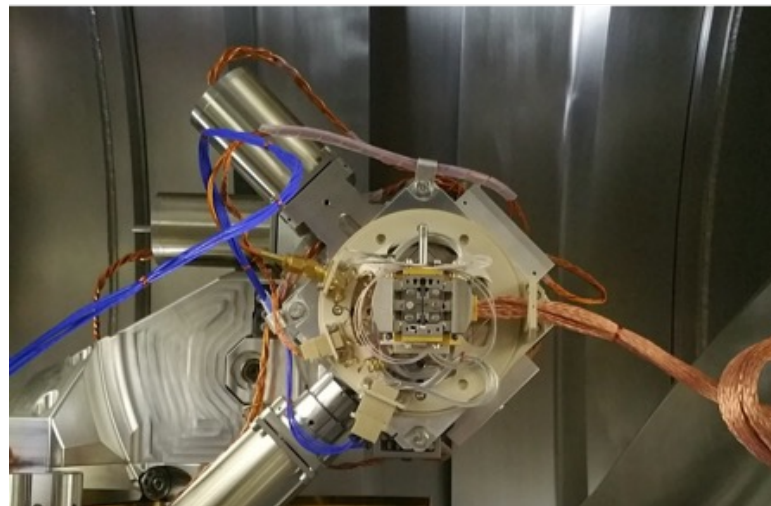
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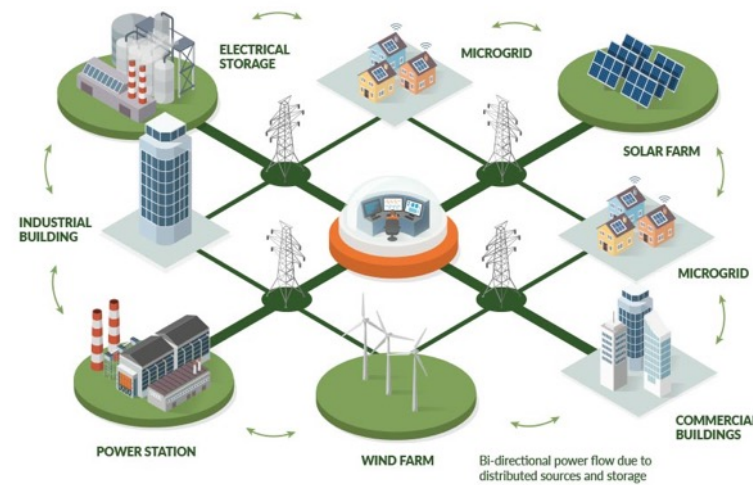
1) Because our technological world relies deeply on electronic properties of solids

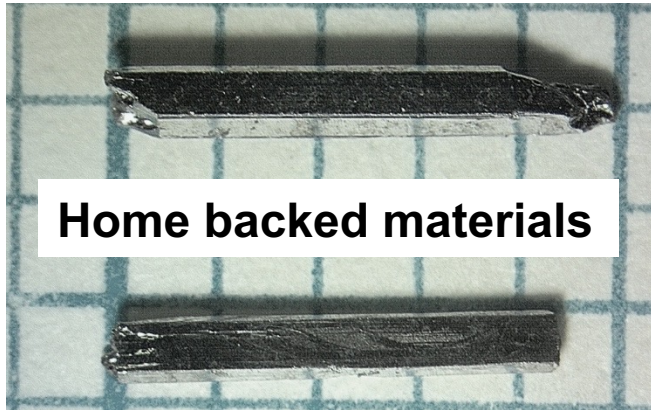
2) Because it is **FUN**

SMART GRID

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY NETWORK

Illustration of smart electrical networks shaped by microgrid clusters

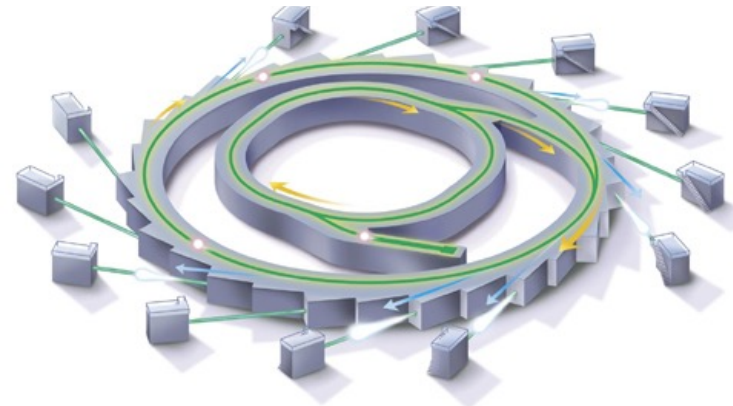




Home backed materials

A. Haghighirad

Brightest Light/x-ray Sources



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**Temperatures colder than
Anything available in the universe**

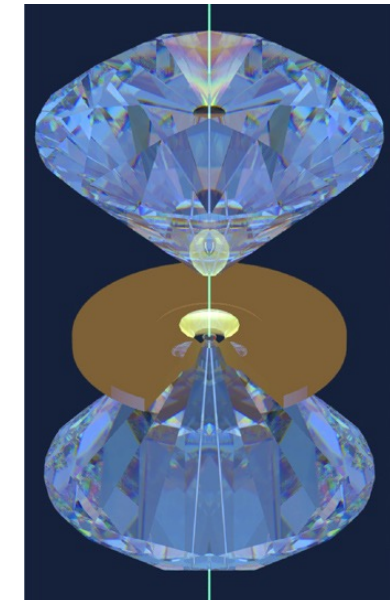


Large Magnetic fields



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Extreme Pressures



New electronic properties



The Nobel Prize in Physics 2007

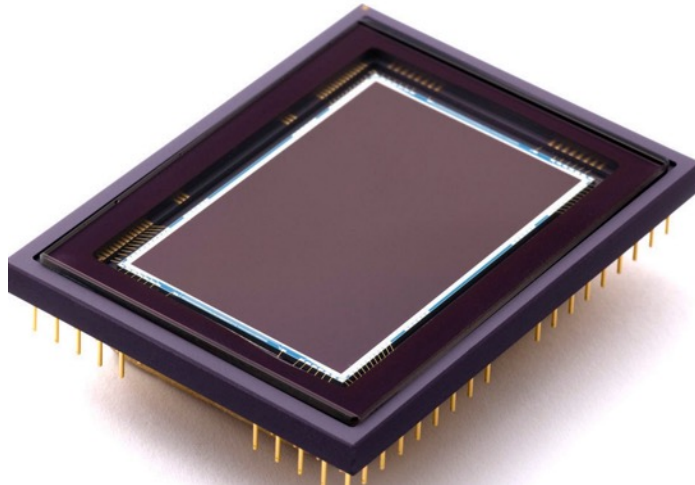


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Albert Fert
Prize share: 1/2



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Peter Grünberg
Prize share: 1/2

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2007 was awarded jointly to Albert Fert and Peter Grünberg *"for the discovery of Giant Magnetoresistance"*



The Nobel Prize in Physics 2009



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Charles Kuen Kao
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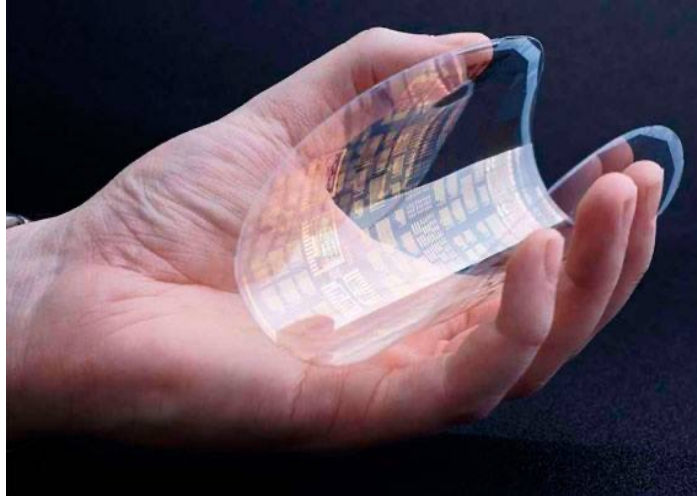
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George E. Smith
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The Nobel Prize in Physics 2009 was divided, one half awarded to Charles Kuen Kao *"for groundbreaking achievements concerning the transmission of light in fibers for optical communication"*, the other half jointly to Willard S. Boyle and George E. Smith *"for the invention of an imaging semiconductor circuit - the CCD sensor"*.

New electronic properties



The Nobel Prize in Physics 2010



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Andre Geim
Prize share: 1/2



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Konstantin Novoselov
Prize share: 1/2

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2010 was awarded jointly to Andre Geim and Konstantin Novoselov *"for groundbreaking experiments regarding the two-dimensional material graphene"*



The Nobel Prize in Physics 2014

Isamu Akasaki, Hiroshi Amano and Shuji Nakamura

"for the invention of efficient blue light-emitting diodes which has enabled bright and energy-saving white light sources"



The Nobel Prize in Physics 2016



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The Nobel Prize in Physics 2016 was divided, one half awarded to David J. Thouless, the other half jointly to F. Duncan M. Haldane and J. Michael Kosterlitz *"for theoretical discoveries of topological phase transitions and topological phases of matter"*.

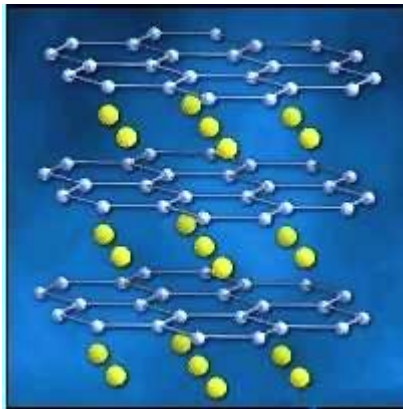
... all of this has to do with the way electron behave in materials

(Biased) Conclusion #2:

Original physical properties are game changer and **always** yield useful applications

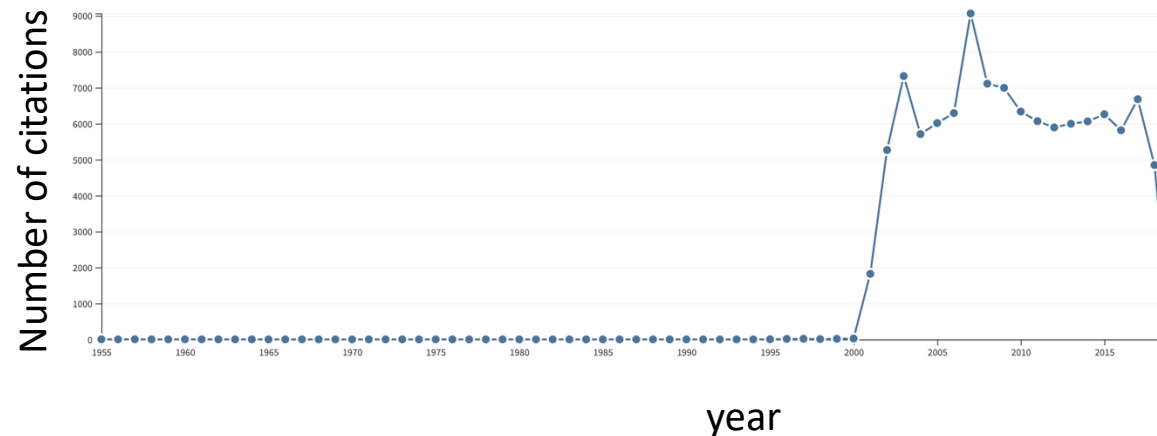
Electronic Properties of Solids

New materials:
synthesis/design



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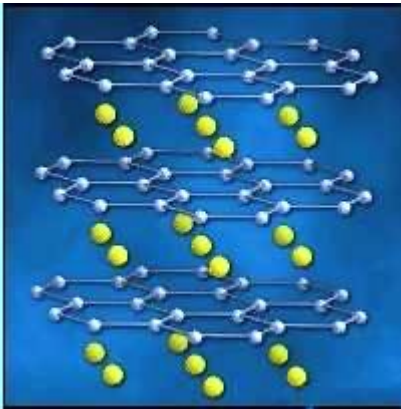


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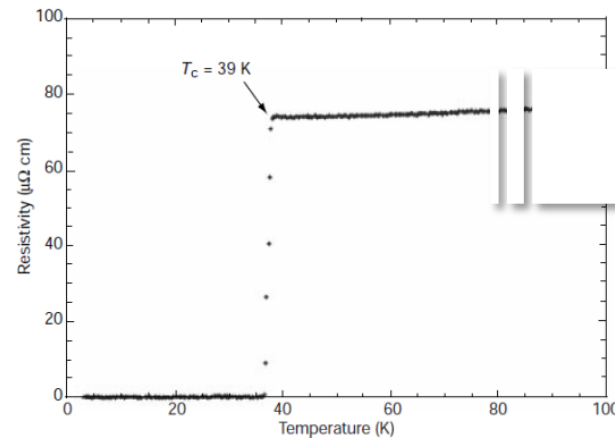
Original Physical Properties

Technological applications



Superconductivity at 39 K in magnesium diboride

Jun Nagamatsu*, Norimasa Nakagawa*, Takahiro Muranaka*,
Yuji Zenitani* & Jun Akimitsu*†



Nature **410**, 63 (2001)

Quantitative
Understanding



Open The MRI 0.5T cryogenic free magnet

transport of green power: First successful
testing of 20 kA superconducting cable



Electronic Properties of Solids

Crystal/Magnetic Structure
x-ray /Neutrons

Transport ($U = R I$)

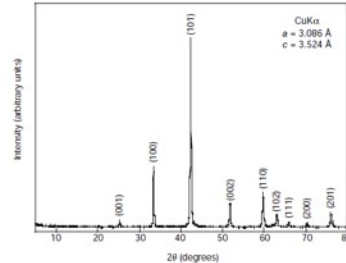
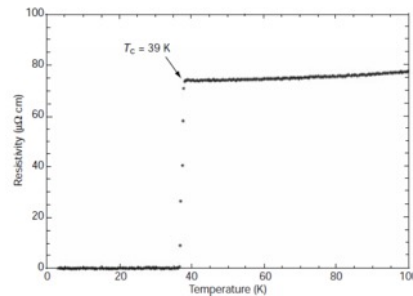
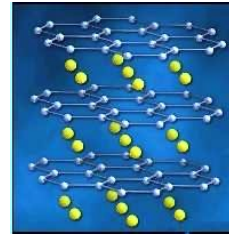


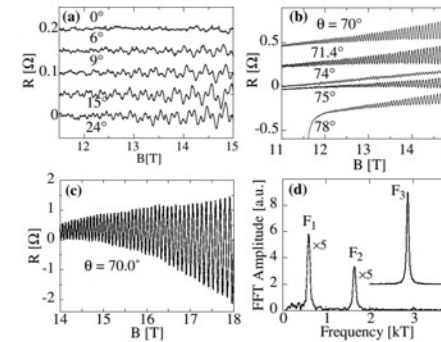
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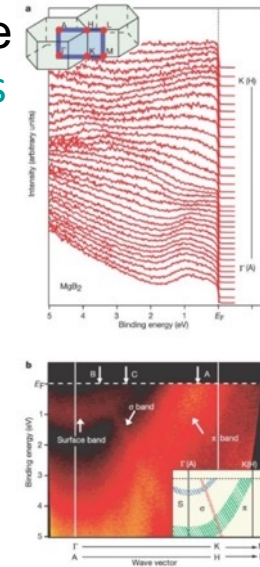
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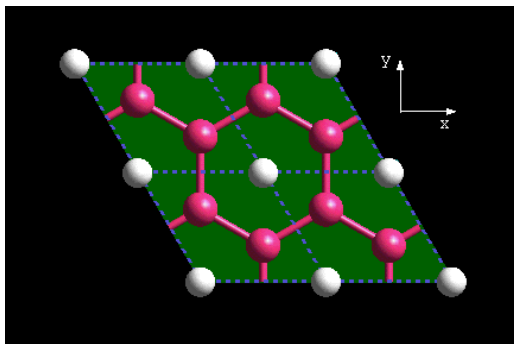


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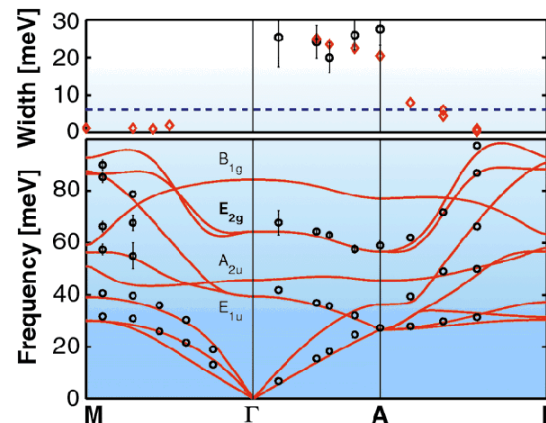


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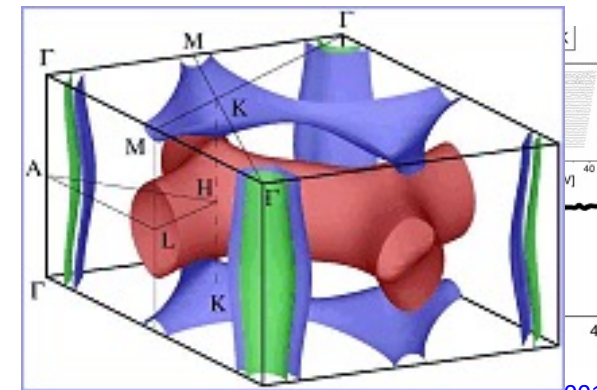
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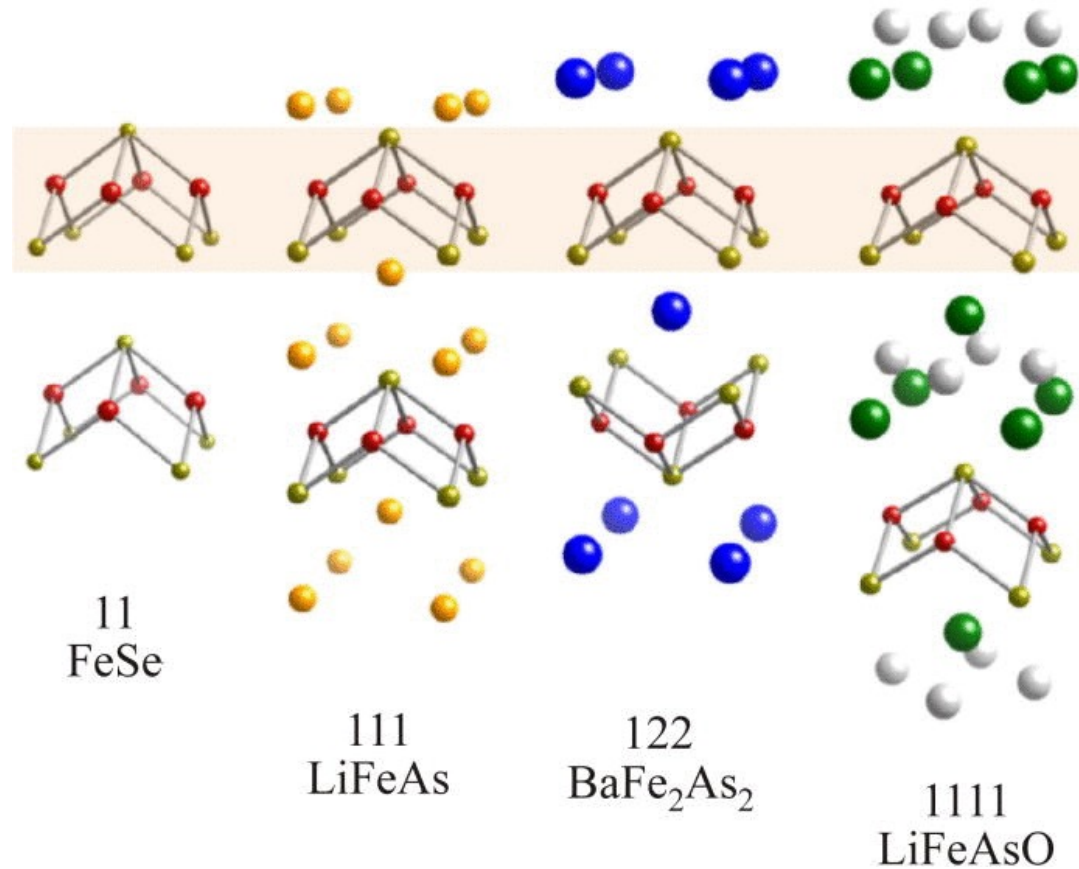


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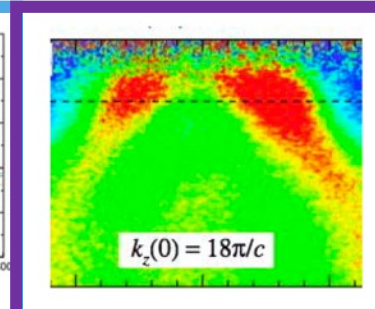
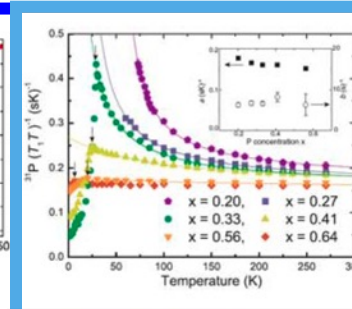
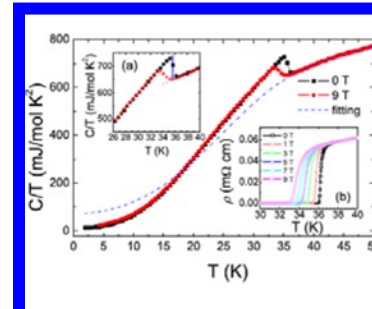
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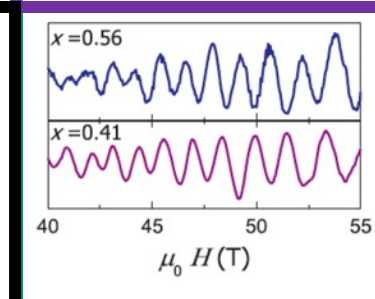
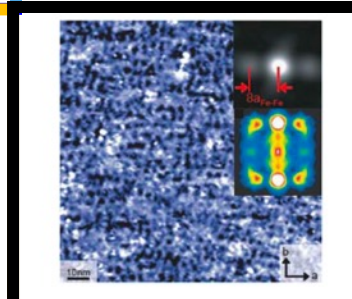
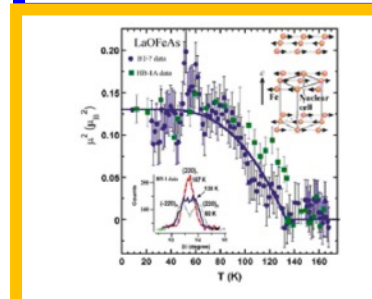
Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

Specific heat



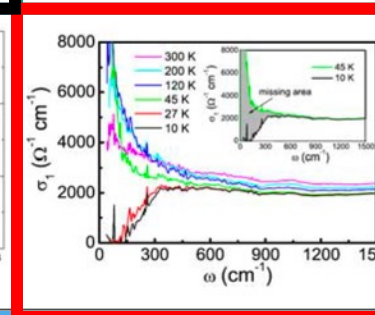
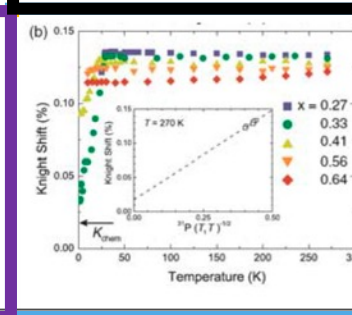
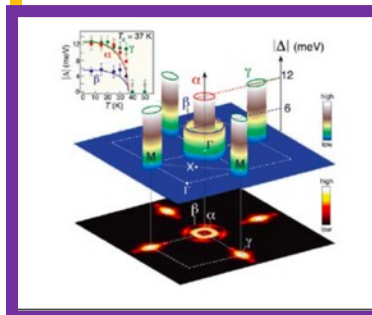
Scanning
Tunneling
Microscope

Magnetic
Neutron
Diffraction



Quantum
Oscillations

Angle-Resolved
Photoemission



Optical
Conductivity

From J. Bobroff

Mesurer les propriétés électroniques des solides

Electronic Transport (MLT ~ 10 Lectures)

Electrons in metals

- Revision: Bloch model and band structure
- Boltzman Equation
- Scattering mechanisms
- Magnetotransport
- Experimental determination of the Fermi Surfaces (quantum oscillations, ARPES)

Phase transitions (MLT ~ 4 Lectures)

Generalities and Landau Theory of phase transitions

- Landau Free energy
- Order parameters
- Critical exponents

Application: Charge Density Wave Instabilities in metals



Magnetism (P. Willke – 14 lectures)

1) Atomic origin of magnetism

- Hund's rules
- Crystal Field
- 3d and 4f elements
- Magnetic susceptibilities

2) Magnetic order, Magnetic insulators

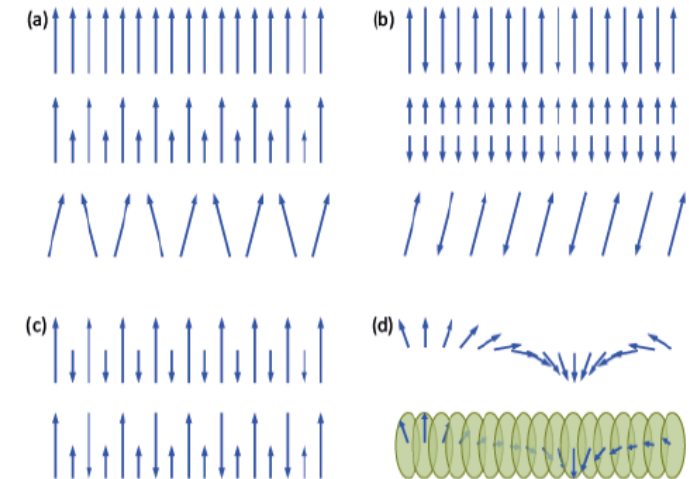
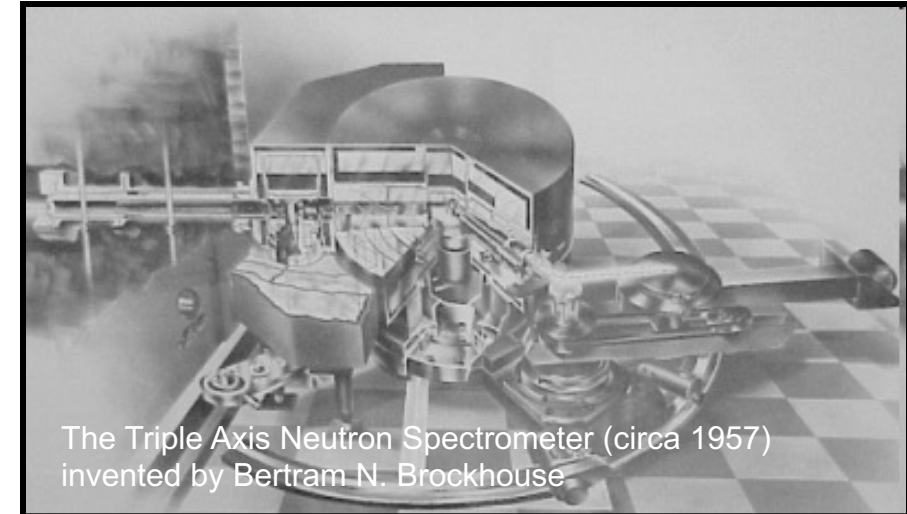
- Magnetic interactions (dipole, exchange)
- para-, ferro-, diamagnetism
- Heisenberg Model
- Goodenough-Kanamori rules

3) Magnetic order in metals

- Pauli susceptibility
- Stoner Instability
- RKKY interaction

4) Determination of the magnetic structures

- neutrons and x-ray scattering



Some good literature

