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Physics of graphene

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Purpose

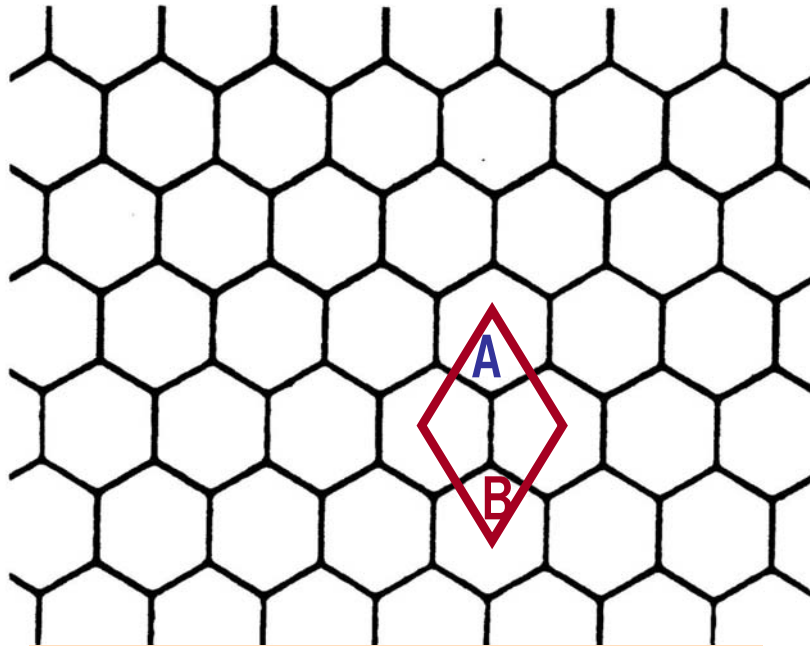
Graphene

- atomically clean monolayer system
with unusual (“massless Dirac”) dispersion
Band structure, group theory
- anomalous integer QHE (one-body problem)
topological quantum #
bulk vs edge states
- Many-body states

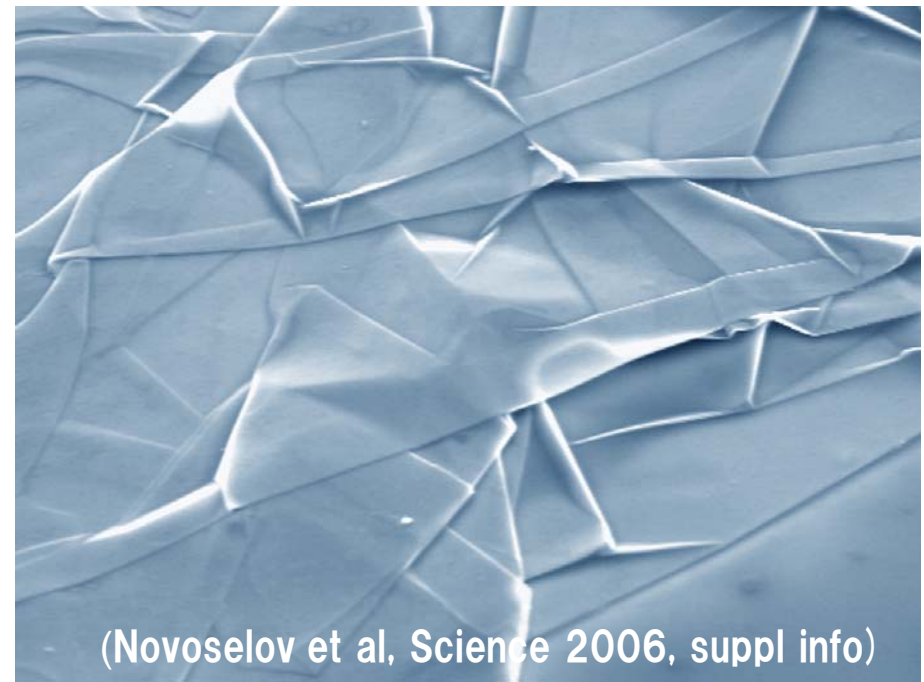
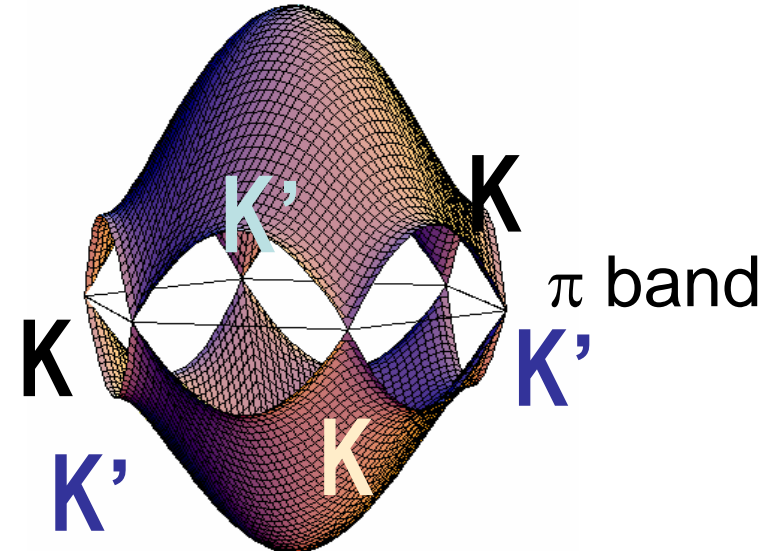
Graphene – monolayer graphite

* Band structure: Wallace 1947

* Group theory: Lomer 1955

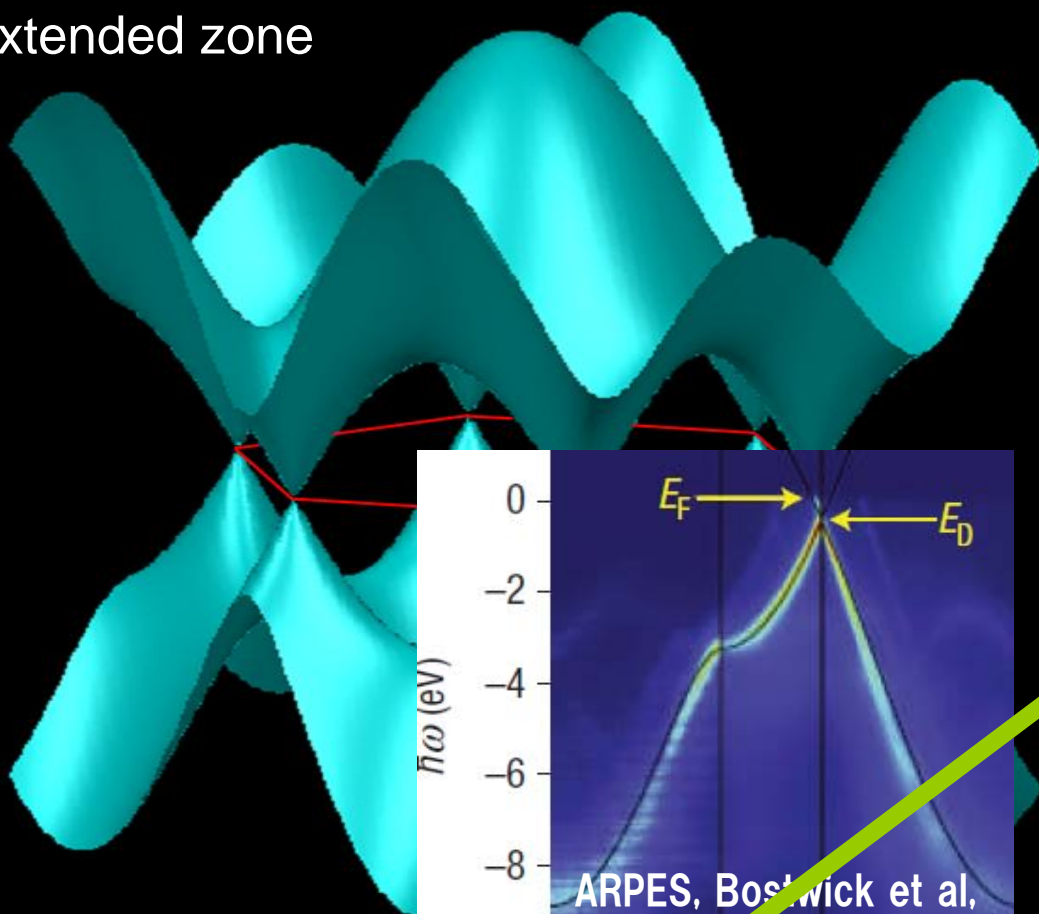


Honeycomb = Non-Bravais

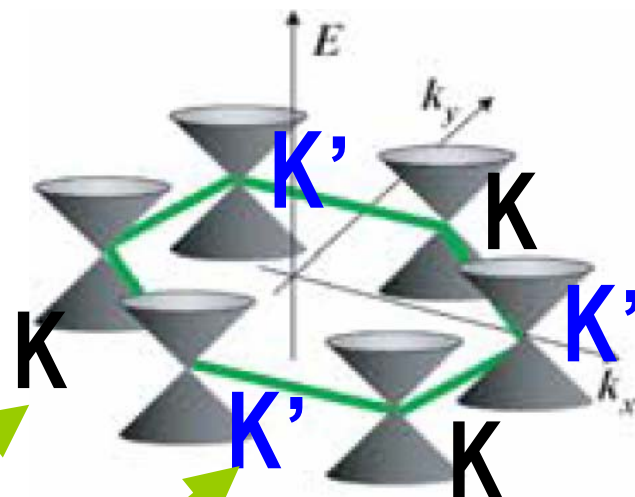


Graphene's band dispersion

extended zone



two massless Dirac points



Effective-mass formalism

$$H_{\mathbf{K}} = v_F(\sigma_x p_x + \sigma_y p_y)$$

$$= v_F \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_x - ip_y \\ p_x + ip_y & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_{\mathbf{K}'} = v_F(-\sigma_x p_x + \sigma_y p_y)$$

$$= v_F \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_x + ip_y \\ p_x - ip_y & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

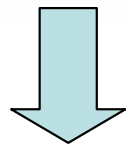
Massless Dirac eqn for graphene

(Lomer, Proc Roy Soc 1955)

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\gamma}{\hbar} \begin{array}{c} \text{K} \\ \text{K}' \end{array} \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} & & & \\ & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ & & & \end{array} \right)$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}} = \hat{\mathbf{p}} + e\mathbf{A}/c$$

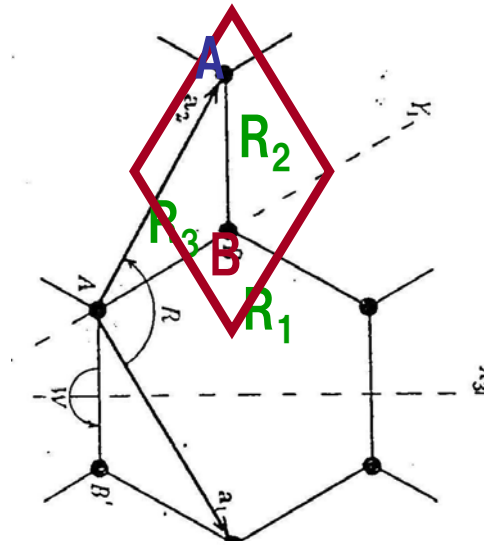
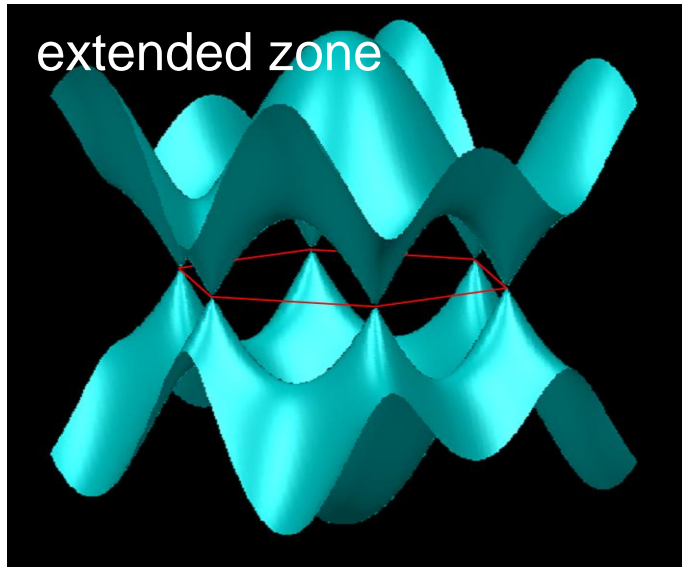
$$\mathbf{F}_{sk}^K(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2L}} \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \begin{pmatrix} s \\ e^{i\varphi(\mathbf{k})} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{F}_{sk}^{K'}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2L}} \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ e^{i\varphi(\mathbf{k})} \\ s \end{pmatrix}$$



+ **B** [McClure, PR 104, 666 (1956)]

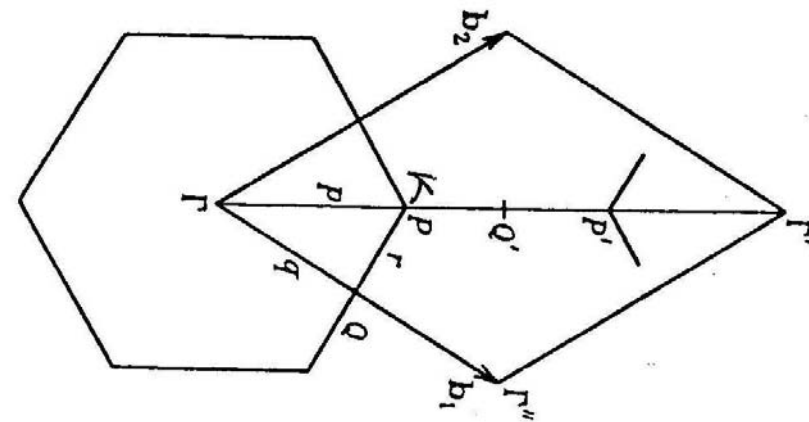
$$\mathbf{F}_{nk}^K(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{C_n}{\sqrt{L}} \exp(-iky) \begin{pmatrix} \text{sgn}(n) i^{|n|-1} \phi_{|n|-1} \\ i^{|n|} \phi_{|n|} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{F}_{nk}^{K'}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{C_n}{\sqrt{L}} \exp(-iky) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ i^{|n|} \phi_{|n|} \\ \text{sgn}(n) i^{|n|-1} \phi_{|n|-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

How does the massless Dirac appear on honeycomb (1)



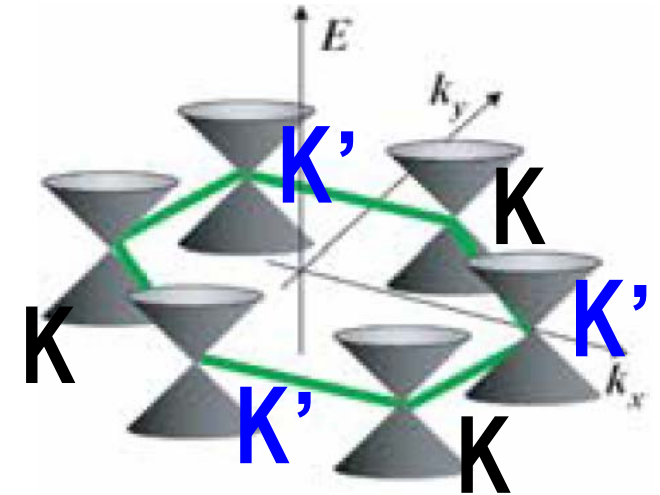
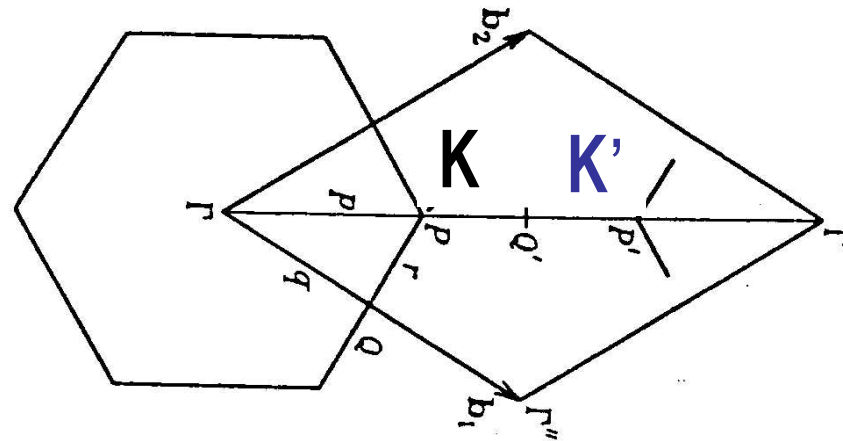
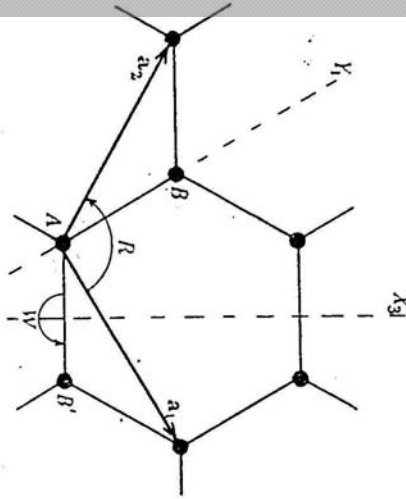
$$\mathcal{H}_{AB} = t(e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{R}_1} + e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{R}_2} + e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{R}_3})$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & H_{AB} \\ H_{AB} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$E_{g2D}(k_x, k_y) = \pm t \left\{ 1 + 4 \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{k_y a}{2}\right) + 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{k_y a}{2}\right) \right\}^{1/2}$$

How does the massless Dirac appear on honeycomb (2)

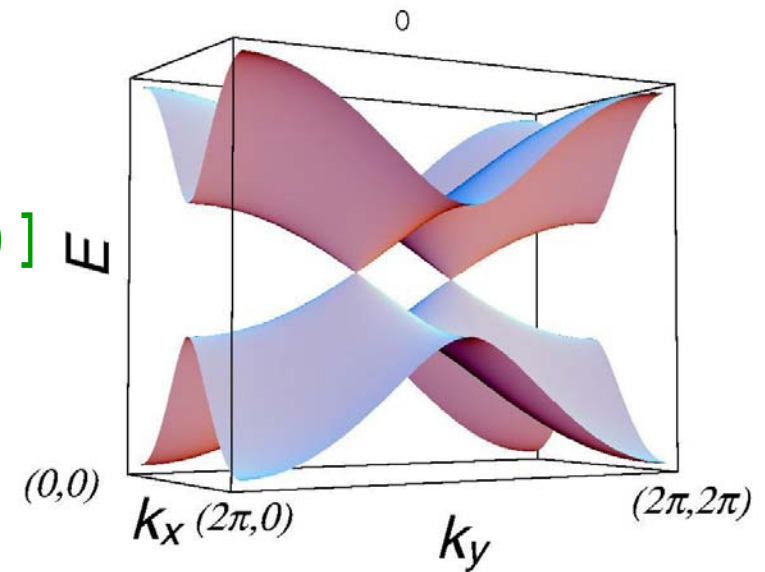


* Group theory (Lomer, Proc Roy Soc 1955)
2-dim representation at K and K'

* $k \cdot p$ Hamiltonian [Wallece, PR 71, 622 (1947)]

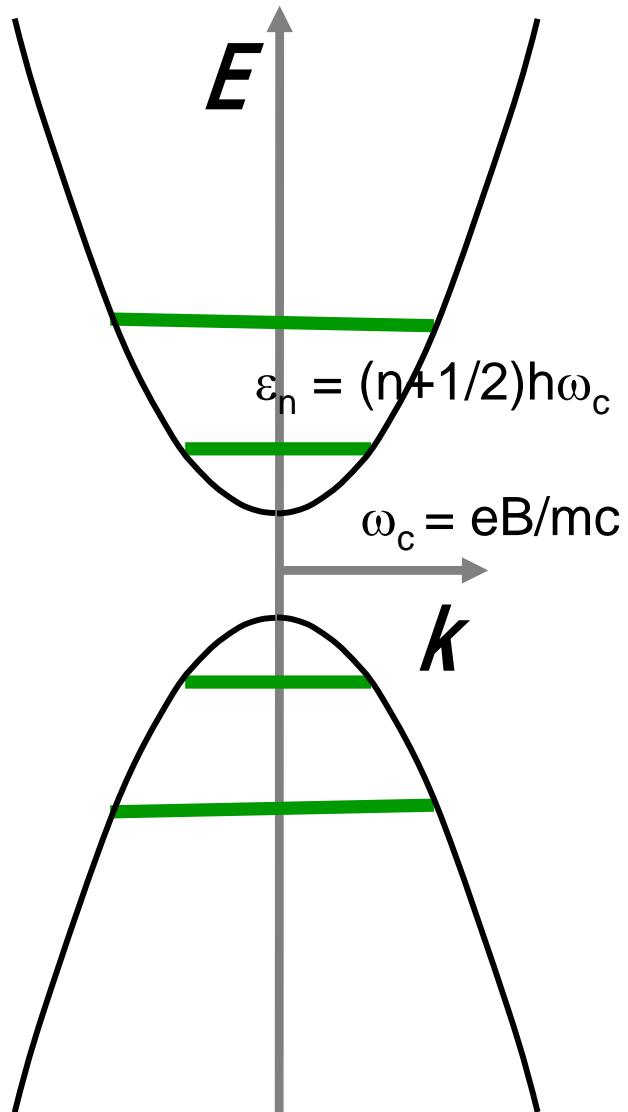
$$H = v_F(\pm \sigma_x p_x + \sigma_y p_y)$$

$+: K, -: K'$



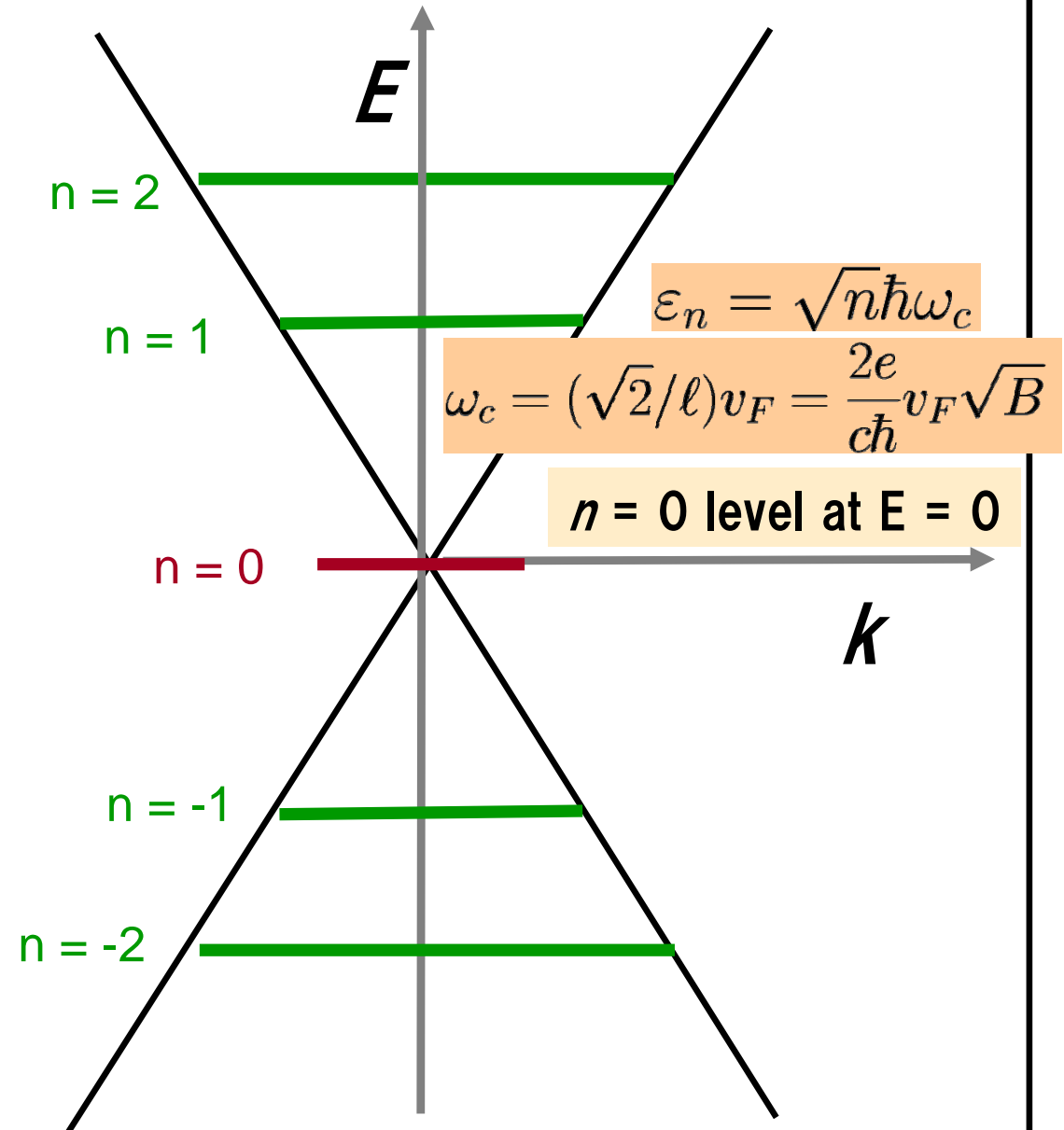
Graphene Landau levels

Ordinary QHE systems



Graphene Landau levels

(McClure 1956)



Massless Dirac \rightarrow a variety of anomalous phenomena observed / predicted

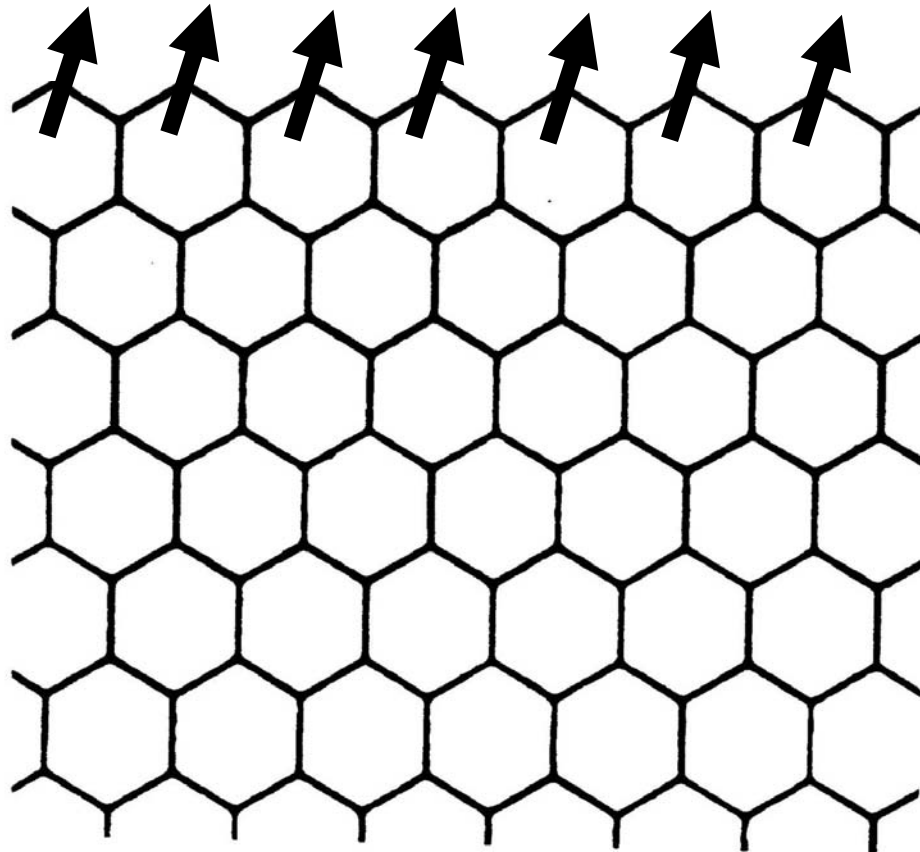
- * QHE (Novoselov et al, Nature 2005;
Zhang et al, Nature 2005)
- * Spin Hall effect (spin-orbit; Kane & Mele PRL 2005)
- * Ferromagnetism ($B=0$; Peres et al, PRB 2005)
- * FQHE (Apalkov & Chakraborty, PRL 2006)
- * Superconductivity (Uchoa & Castro Neto, PRL 2007)
- * Negative refractive index (Cheianov et al, Science 07)
- * Klein paradox (Katsnelson et al, nature phys 2006)
- * Gapped state (Nomura & MacDonald PRL 2006)
- * Bond-ordered state (Hatsugai et al, 2007)
- * Landau-level laser (Morimoto et al, 2007)

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> 400 preprints on graphene in cond-mat in 2006–2007
(A review, incl. a brief history of graphene:
Andre Geim & Kostya Novoselov, nature materials 2007)

$$B = 0$$

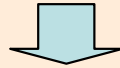
Edge states in graphene



Band F in nonmagnetic materials ?

Criterion (Stoner's) for band F:

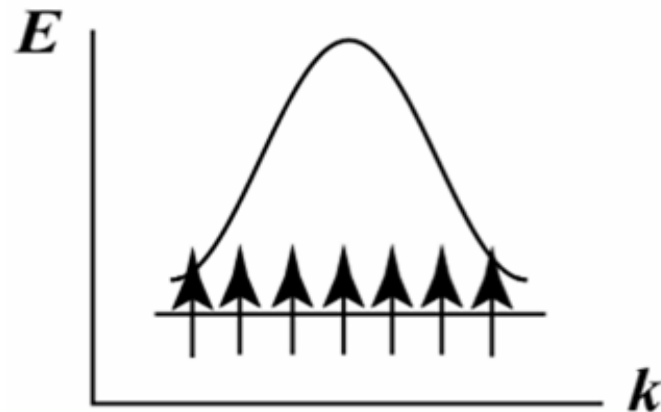
$$UD(E_F) > 1 \text{ --- too crude a criterion}$$



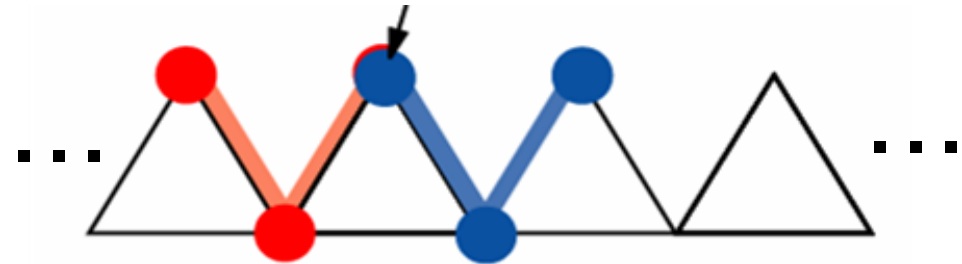
Flat-band ferromagnetism

(Lieb 1989; Mielke 1991; Tasaki 1992)

(a) Flat one-electron band

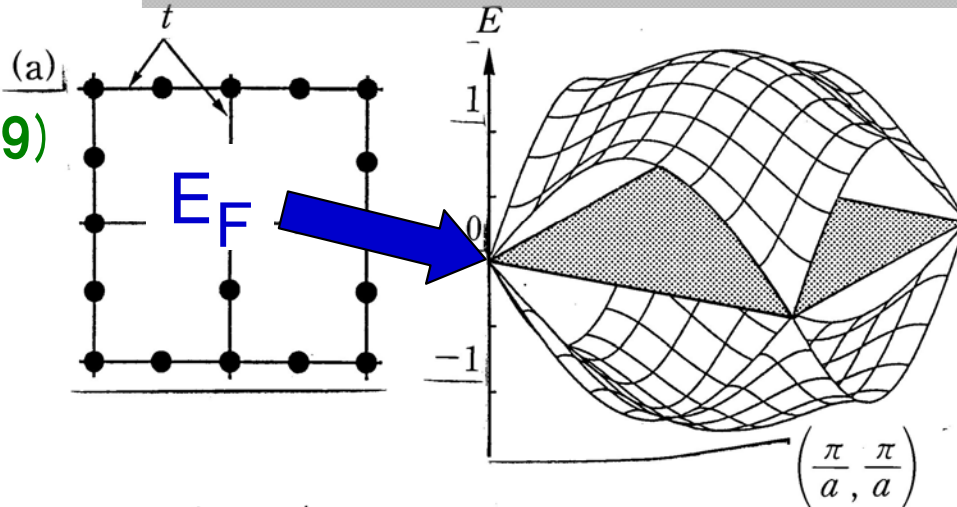


(b) Connectivity condition
(“Wannier” orbits overlap)
i.e., band ferromagnetism

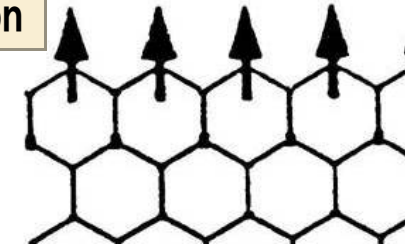


Hubbard model on flat-band systems

(Lieb, 1989)

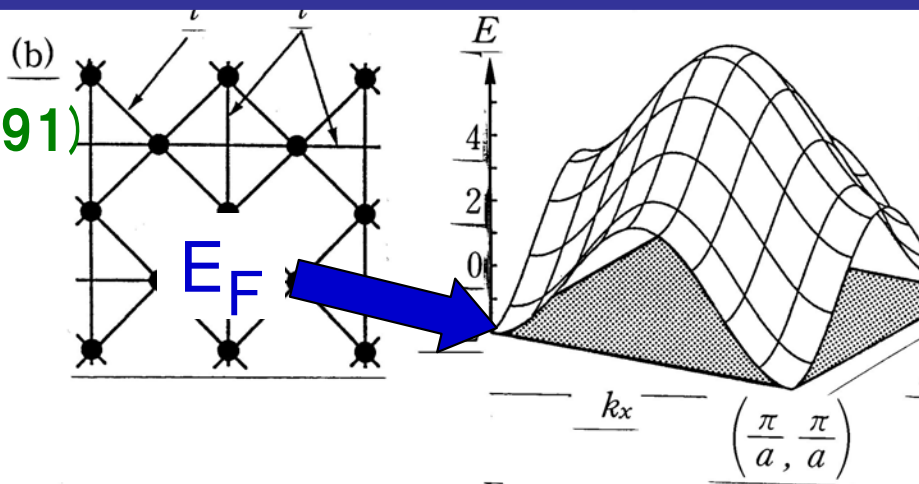


1D version

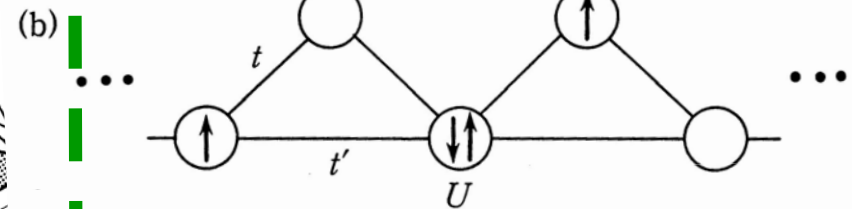


(Ovchinnikov rule guaranteed for $0 < U < \infty$)

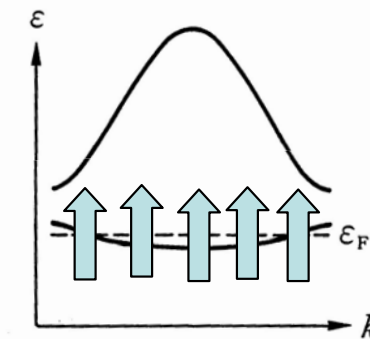
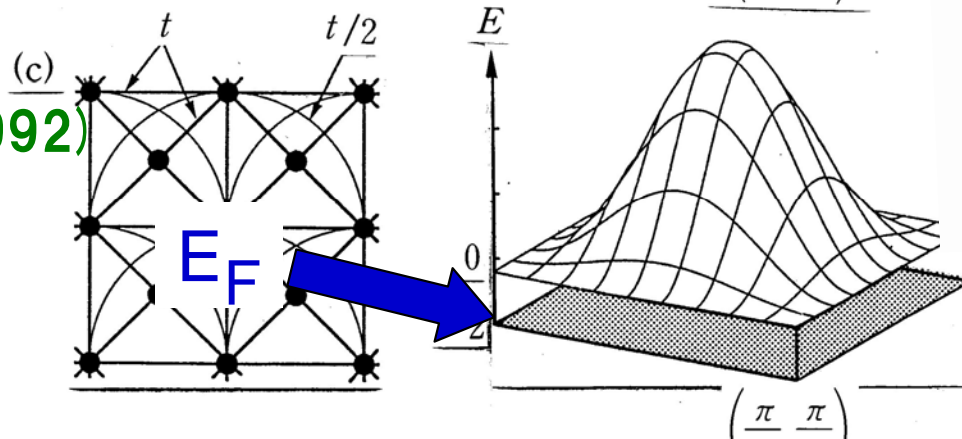
(Mielke, 1991)



Ferromagnetism



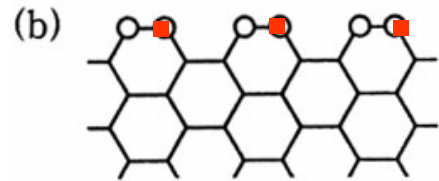
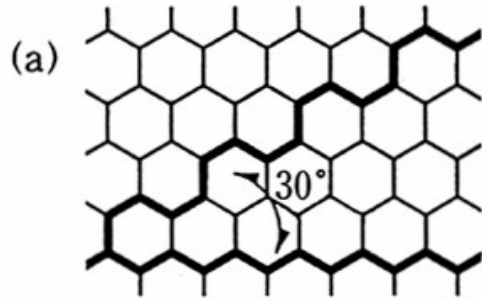
(Tasaki, 1992)



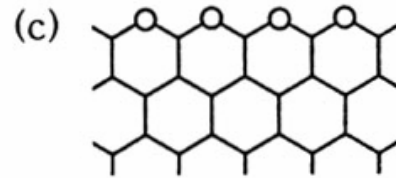
generalised Hund's coupling (Kusakabe & Aoki, 1992)

Edge states in graphene

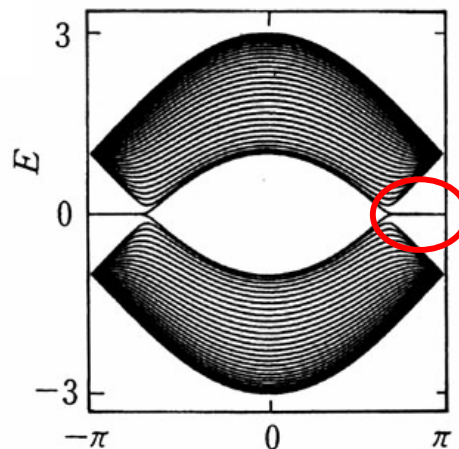
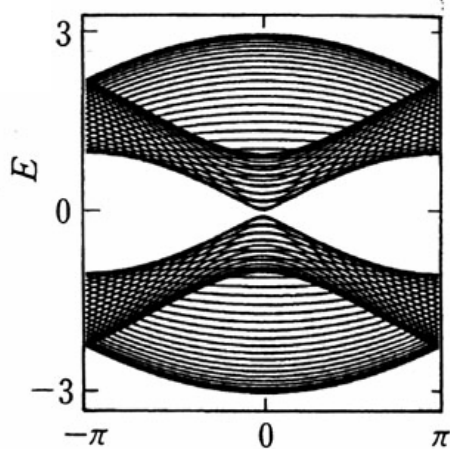
Nakata et al, PRB 54, 17954 (1996)



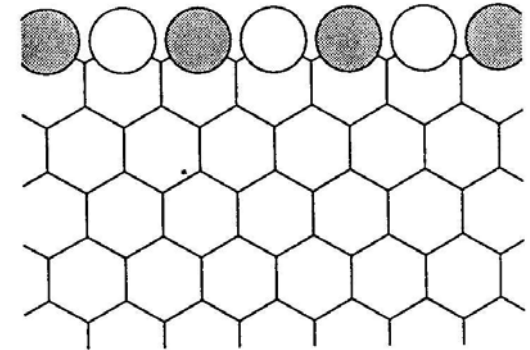
armchair



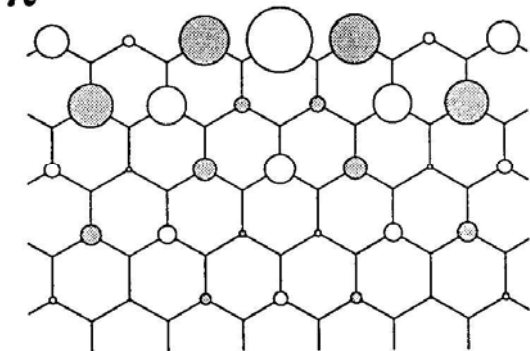
zigzag



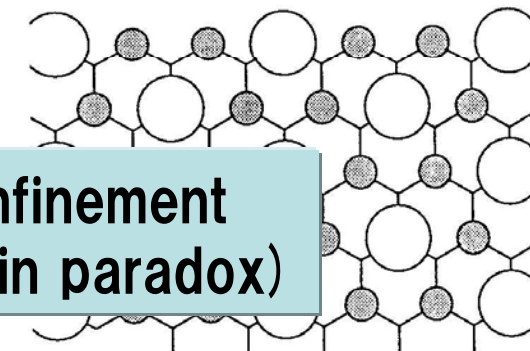
$k = \pi$



$k = \frac{7}{9}\pi$



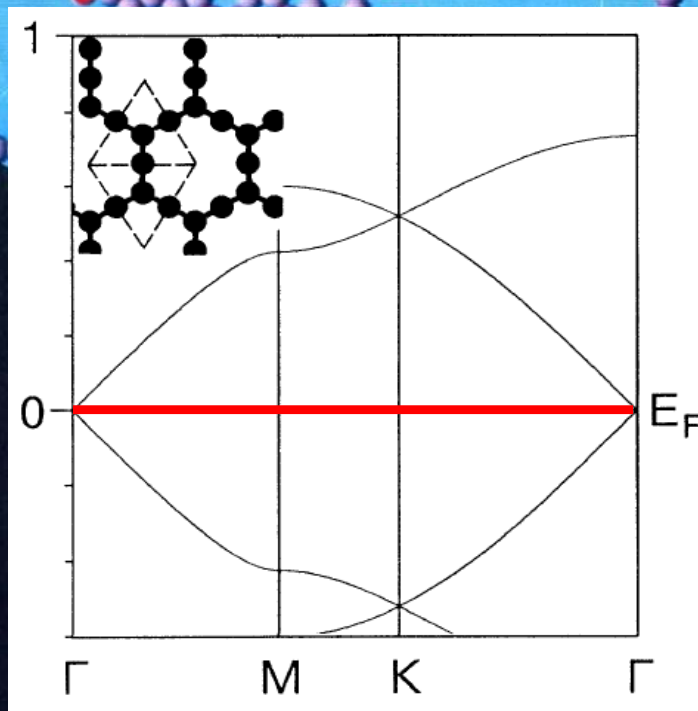
$k = \frac{2}{3}\pi$



cf. Potential confinement impossible (Klein paradox)

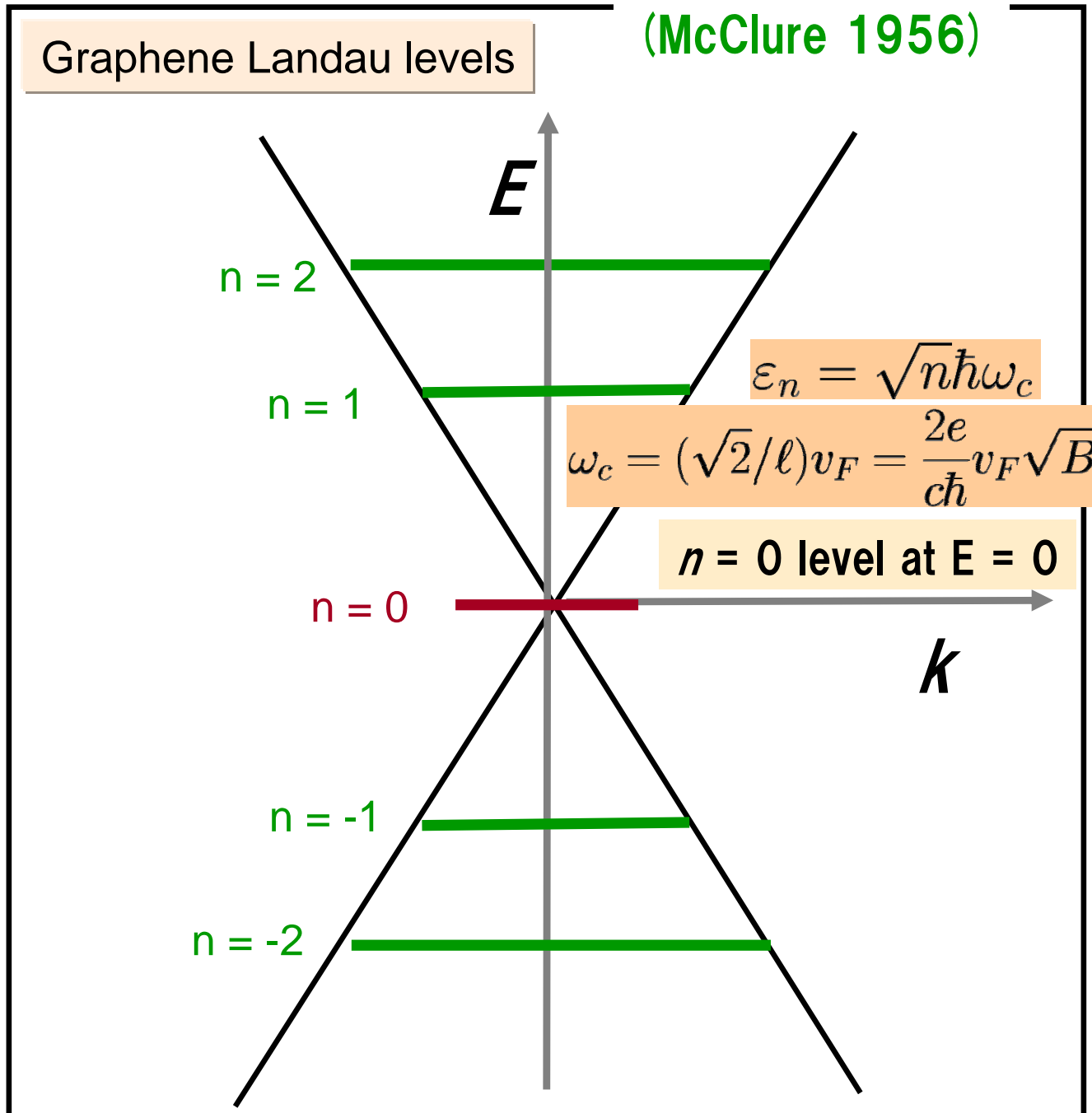
Long-period graphene

(Shima & Aoki,
PRL 1993)



$$B > 0$$

Graphene Landau levels



Landau levels for massive Dirac particles

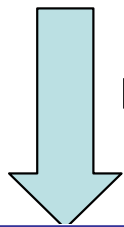
(MacDonald, PRB 1983)

Dirac eqn

$$[(\mathcal{E} - eEx)^2 - (c\vec{p} - e\vec{A})^2 - m^2c^4 + e\hbar cH \sigma_z + ie\hbar cE \sigma_x] \phi = 0$$

Energy

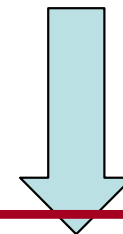
$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{k}_\perp, n, \pm) = \frac{H}{\sqrt{H^2 - E^2}} \times \{m^2c^4 + mc^2[\hbar\omega_c(2n + 1 \pm 1)]\}^{1/2}$$



non-relativistic

$$\mathcal{E} = mc^2 + \hbar\omega_c(n + 1 \pm \frac{1}{2}) + \frac{m}{2} \left(\frac{cE}{H} \right)^2 + \dots$$

↓ leading term in $\hbar\omega_c/mc^2$ expansion



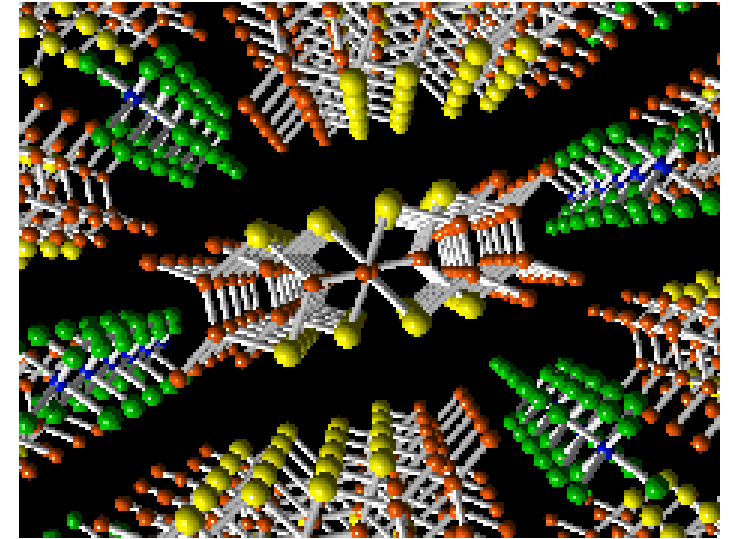
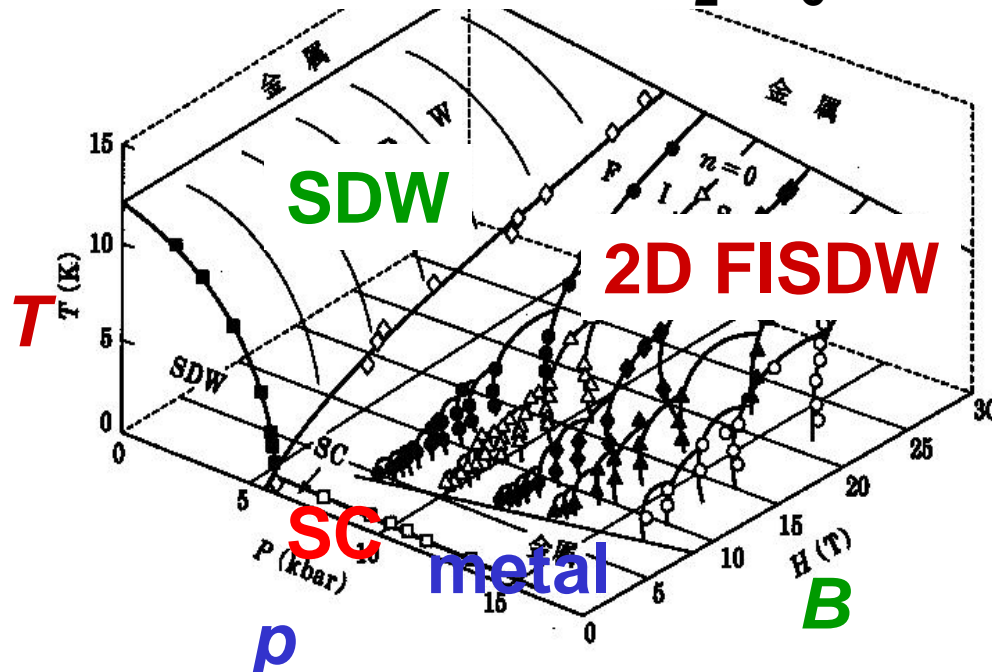
massless Dirac

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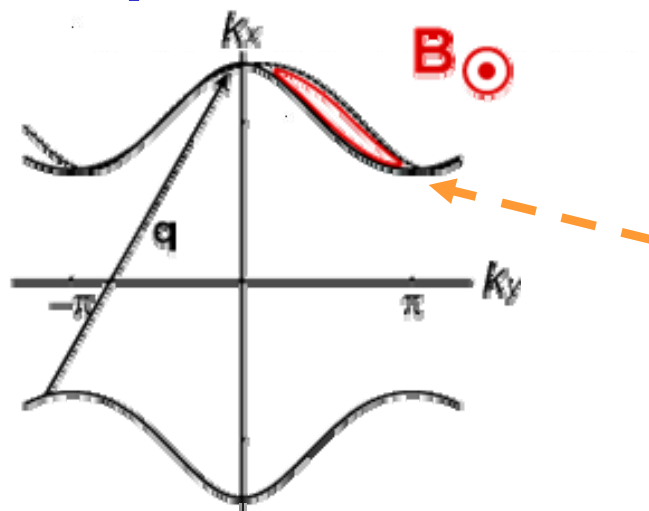
$$\omega_c = eH/mc$$

QHE can reflect band structures

q2D organic metal $(\text{TMTSF})_2\text{PF}_6$ (Chaikin et al)



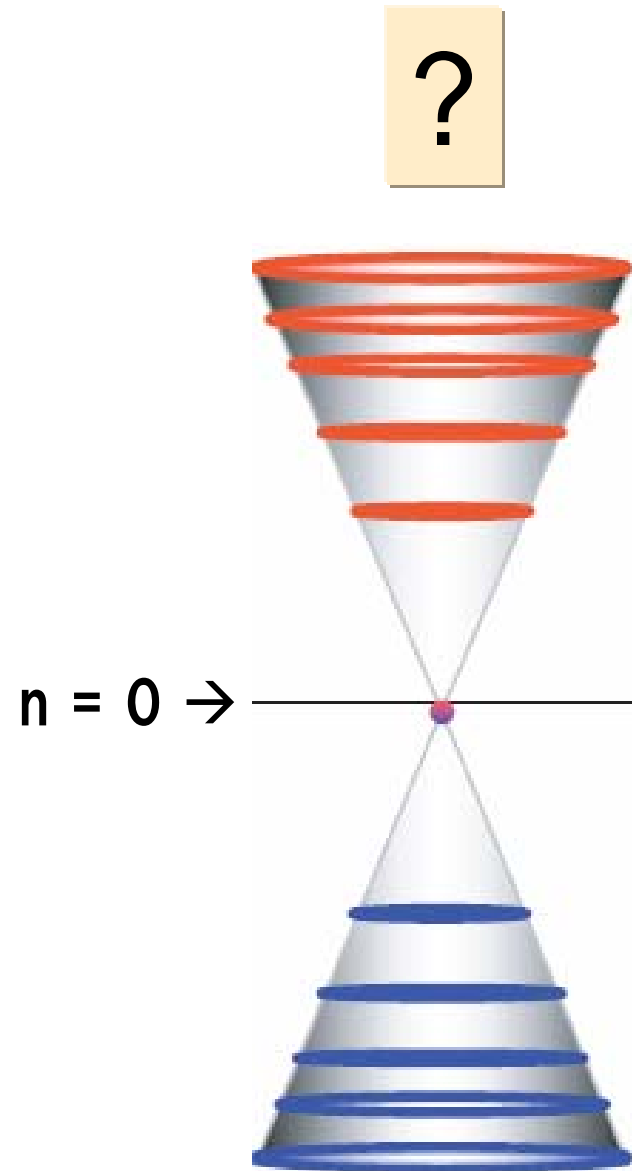
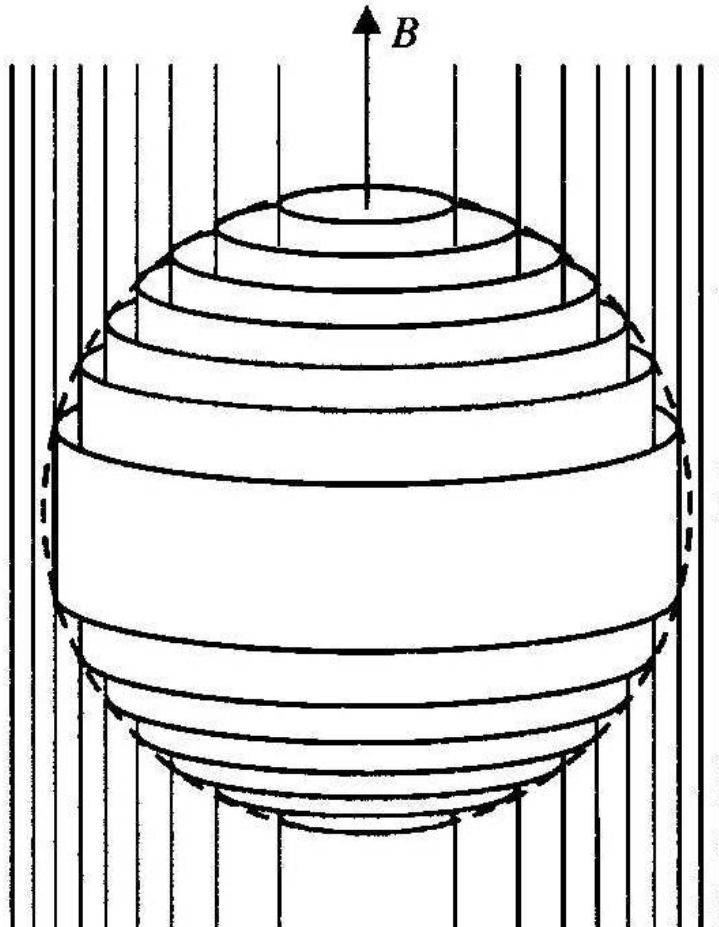
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Incomplete nesting
 → Landau levels in Fermi pockets
 → IQHE

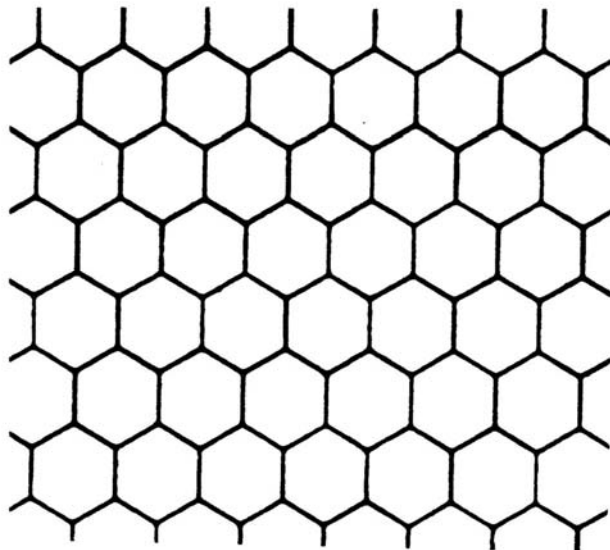
What's so special about graphene Landau level

Quantisation in B
↓ Onsager's semiclassical
"Landau tube"

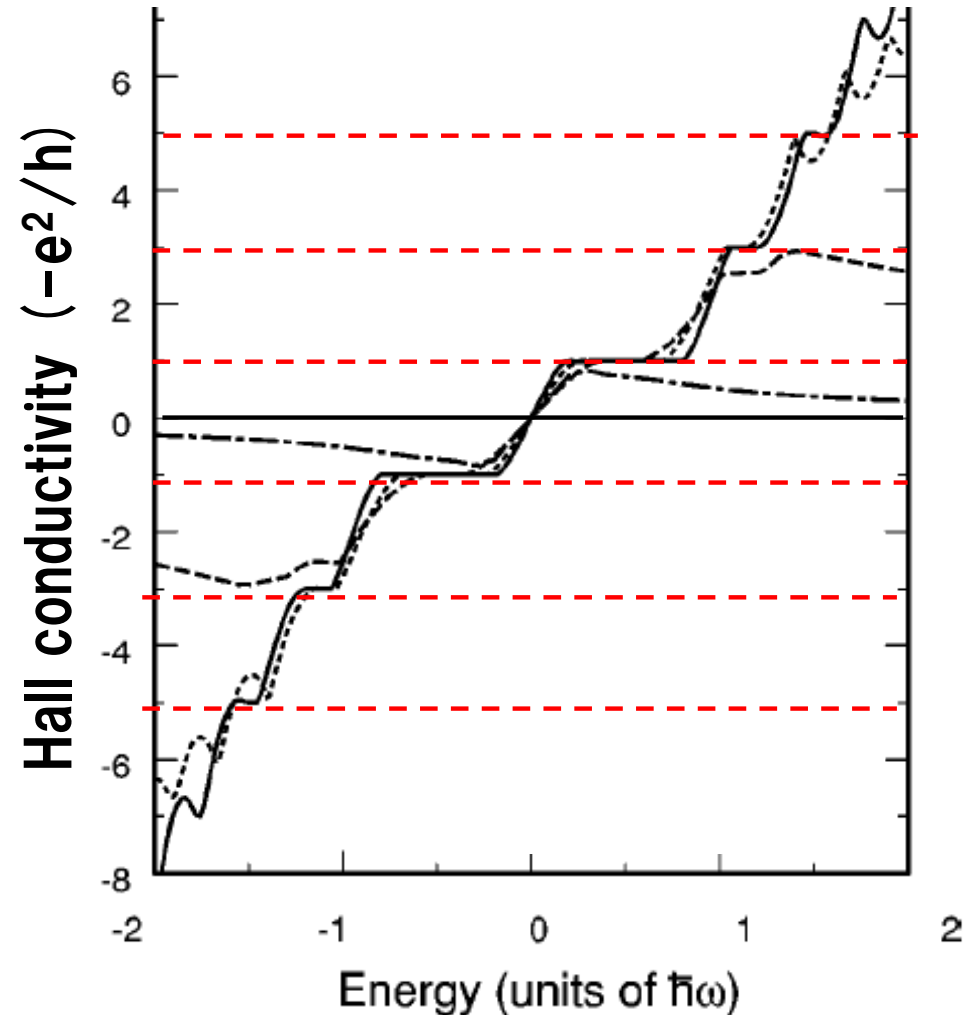


QHE in honeycomb lattice

(SCBA; Zheng & Ando, PRB 2002;
Gusynin & Sharapov, PRB, PRL 2005)



$\odot B$

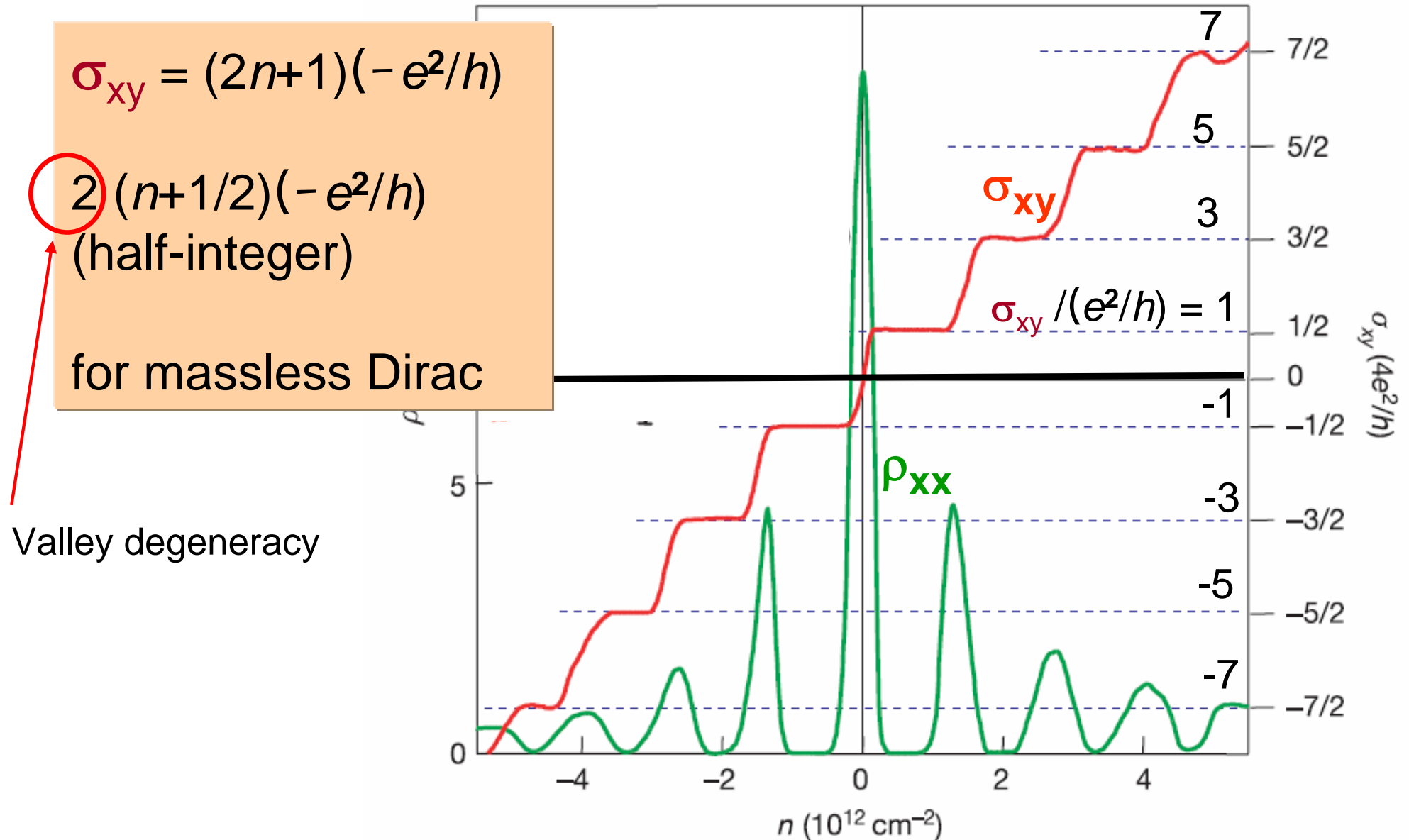


$$\sigma_{xy} = (2n+1)(-e^2/h) \text{ steps}$$

QHE in graphene

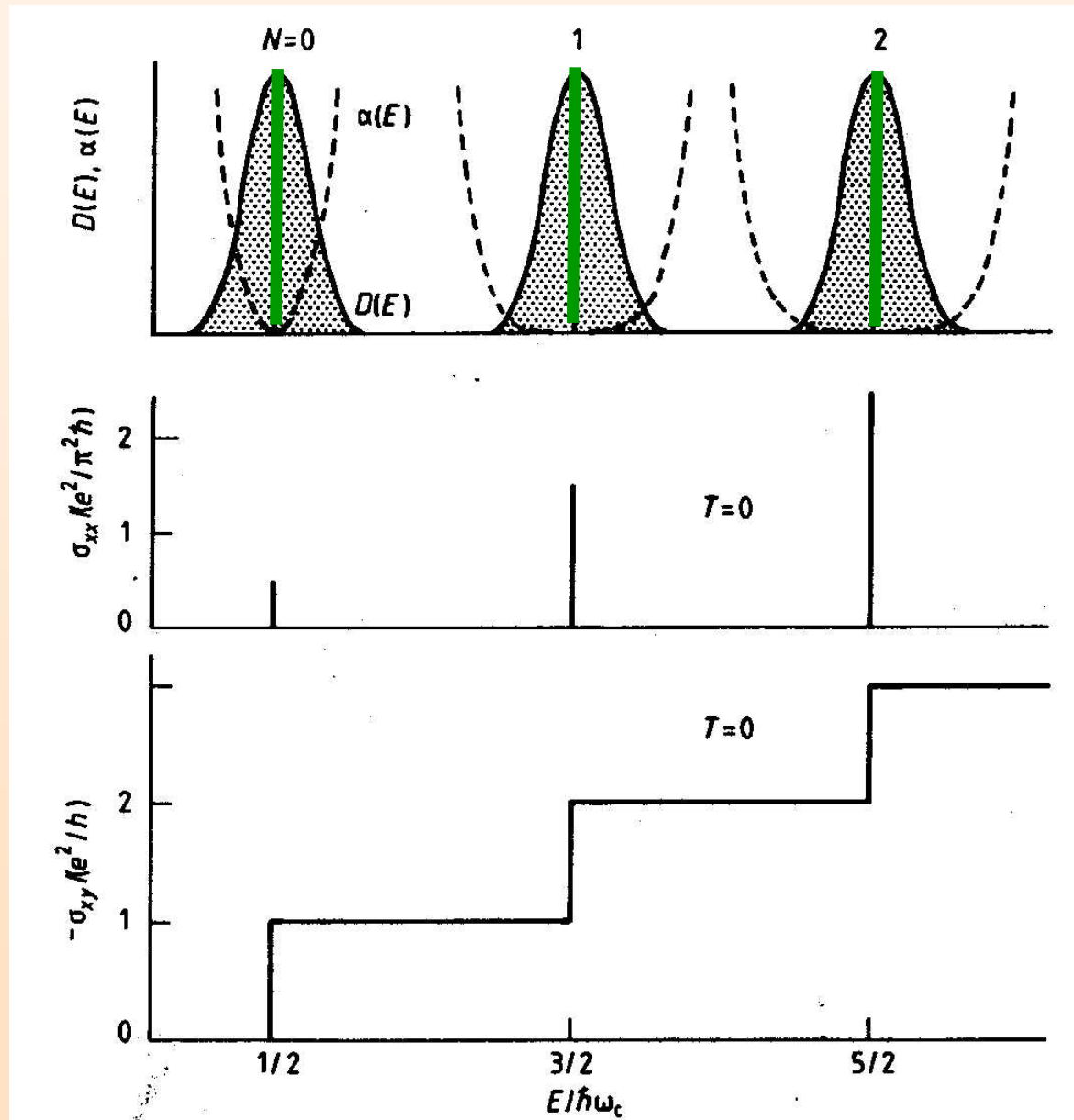
(Novoselov *et al*, Nature 2005; Nature Phys 2006; Zhang *et al*, Nature 2005)

$B = 14 \text{ T}$ and $T = 4 \text{ K}$

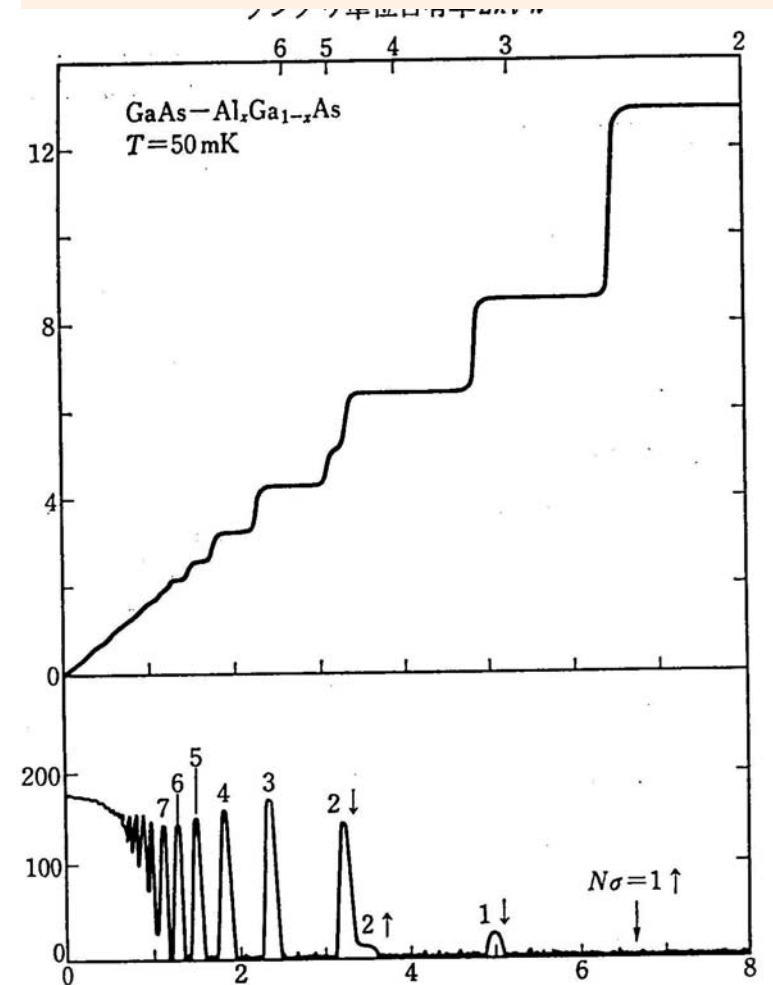


Integer quantum Hall effect

(Aoki & Ando 1980)

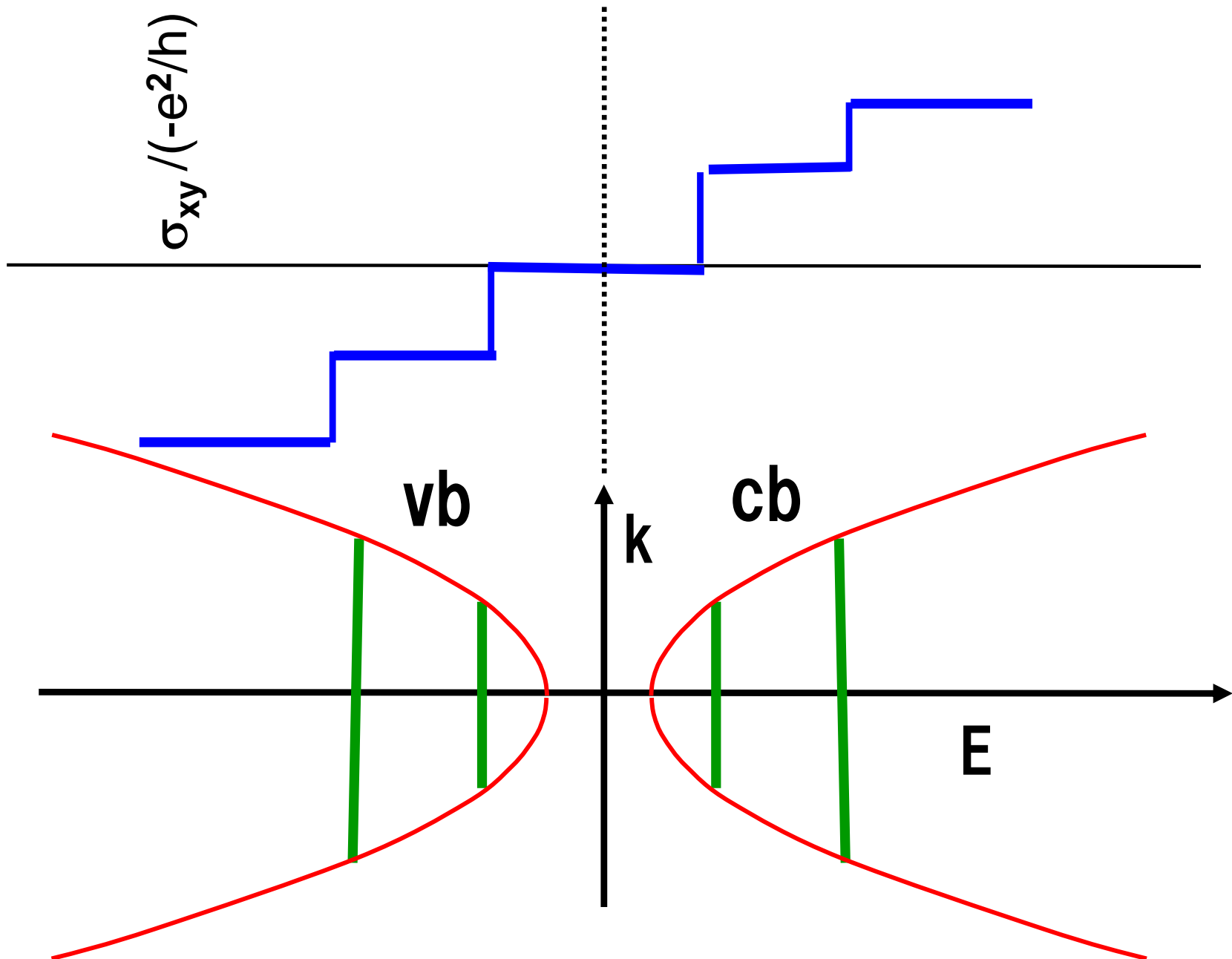


(Aoki, Rep Prog Phys 1987)



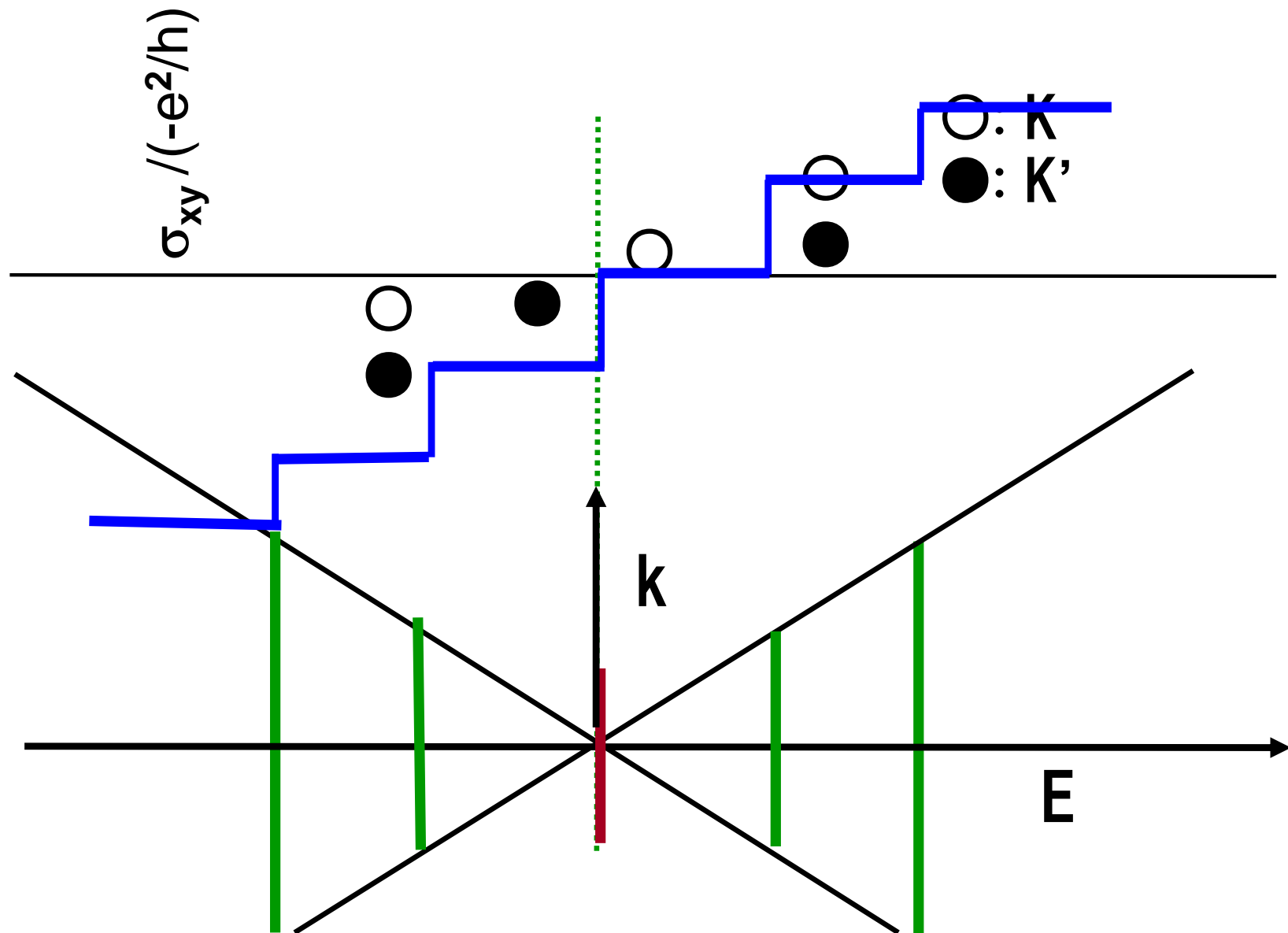
(Paalanen et al, 1982)

QHE in ordinary valence / conduction bands



QHE for massless Dirac

Can we interpret this in terms of topological quantum # ?



Hall conductivity = a topological number

(Thouless, Kohmoto, Nightingale & den Nijs, 1982)

Linear response

$$\sigma_{xy} = -i \frac{1}{L^2} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} f(\epsilon_\alpha) \frac{\langle \alpha | J_x | \beta \rangle \langle \beta | J_y | \alpha \rangle - \langle \alpha | J_y | \beta \rangle \langle \beta | J_x | \alpha \rangle}{(\epsilon_\alpha - \epsilon_\beta)^2}$$

clean, periodic systems

Berry's "curvature"

$$= -i \frac{e^2}{L^2} \sum_{n, \vec{k}} f(\epsilon_{n\vec{k}}) \left[\vec{\nabla}_{\vec{k}} \times \langle n\vec{k} | \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{k}} | n\vec{k} \rangle \right]_z$$

disordered systems

(Aoki & Ando, 1986)

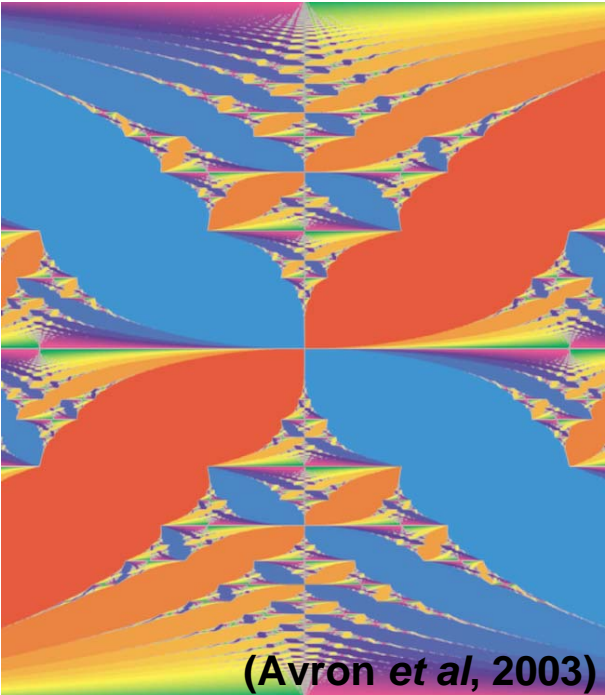
distribution of topological #
in disordered systems

(Aoki & Ando, 1986;
Huo & Bhatt, 1992;
Yang & Bhatt, 1999)

"Gauss-Bonnet"



$$= \sum_n^{\text{band}} (\text{Chern \#})_n$$



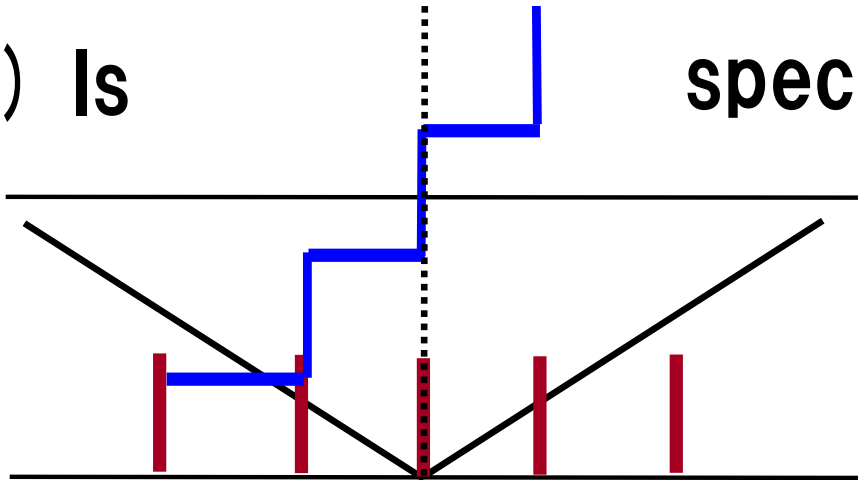
(Avron et al, 2003)

Questions about graphene IQHE

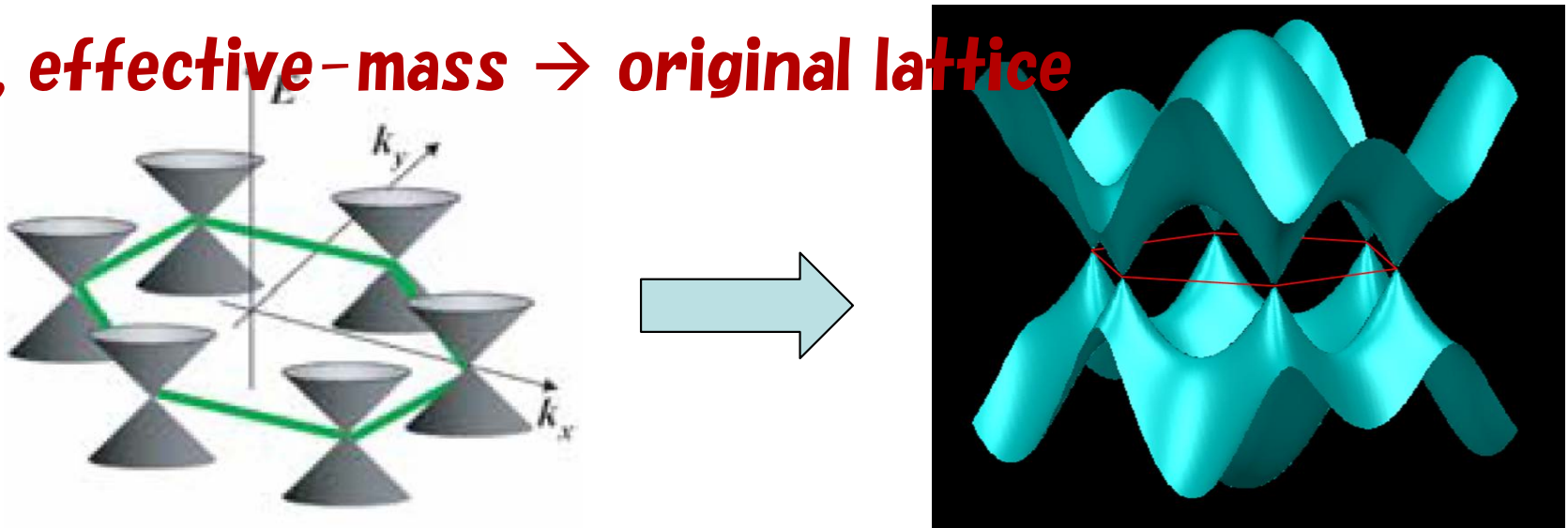
(A) How does the topological nature appear ?

(B) How do the edge states look like ?

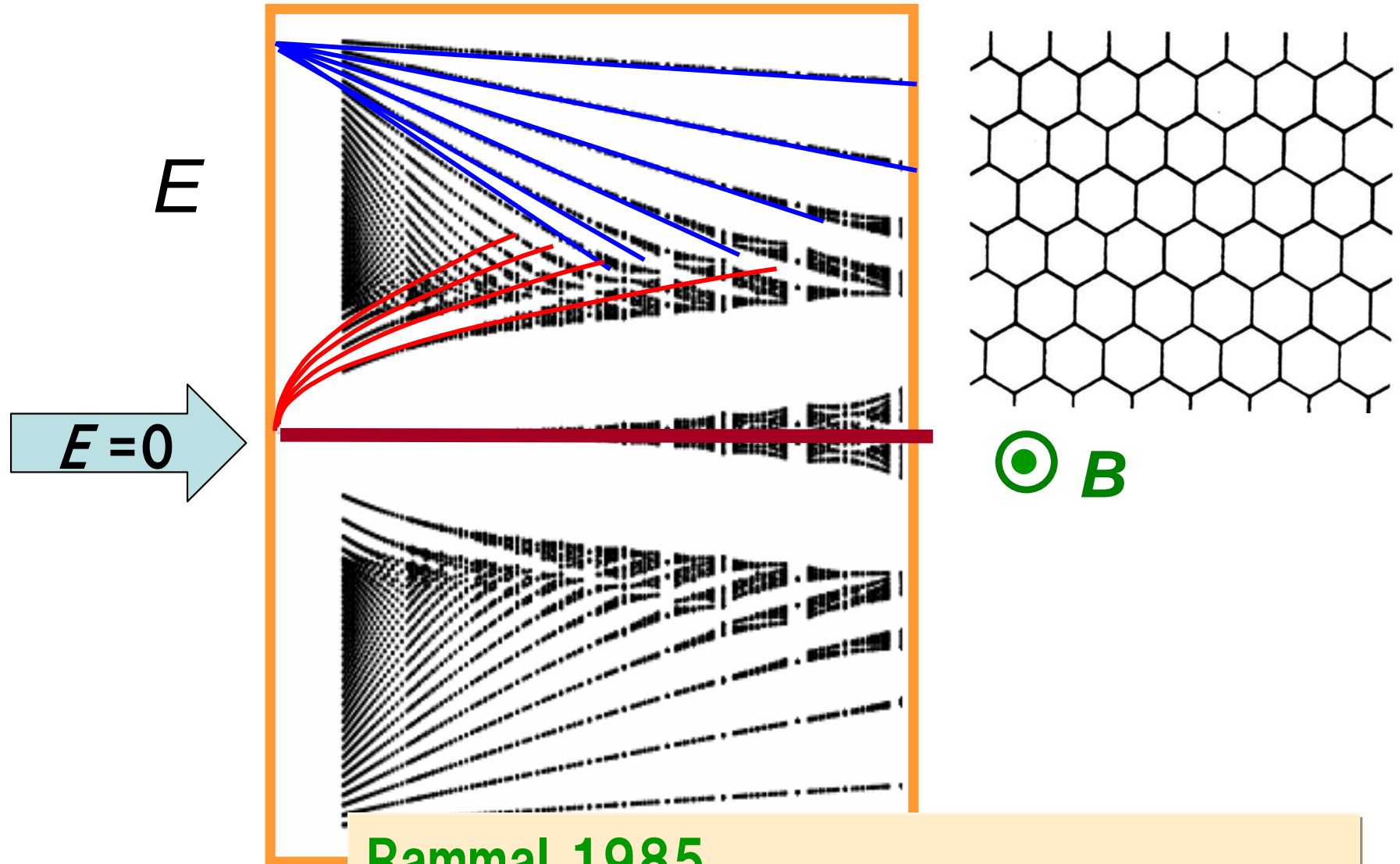
(C) Is  specific to honeycomb?



For these, effective-mass \rightarrow original lattice



Whole spectrum for honeycomb lattice

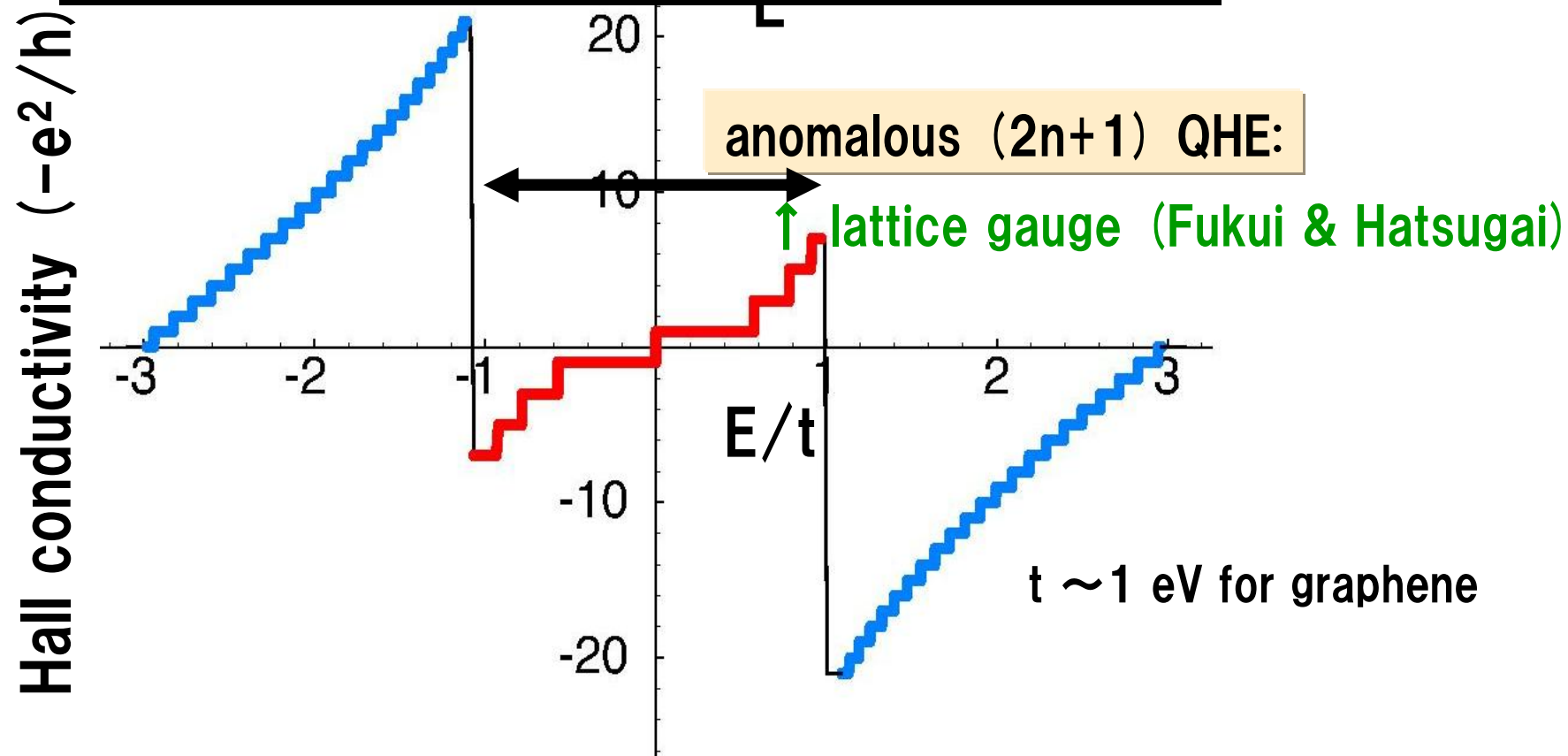
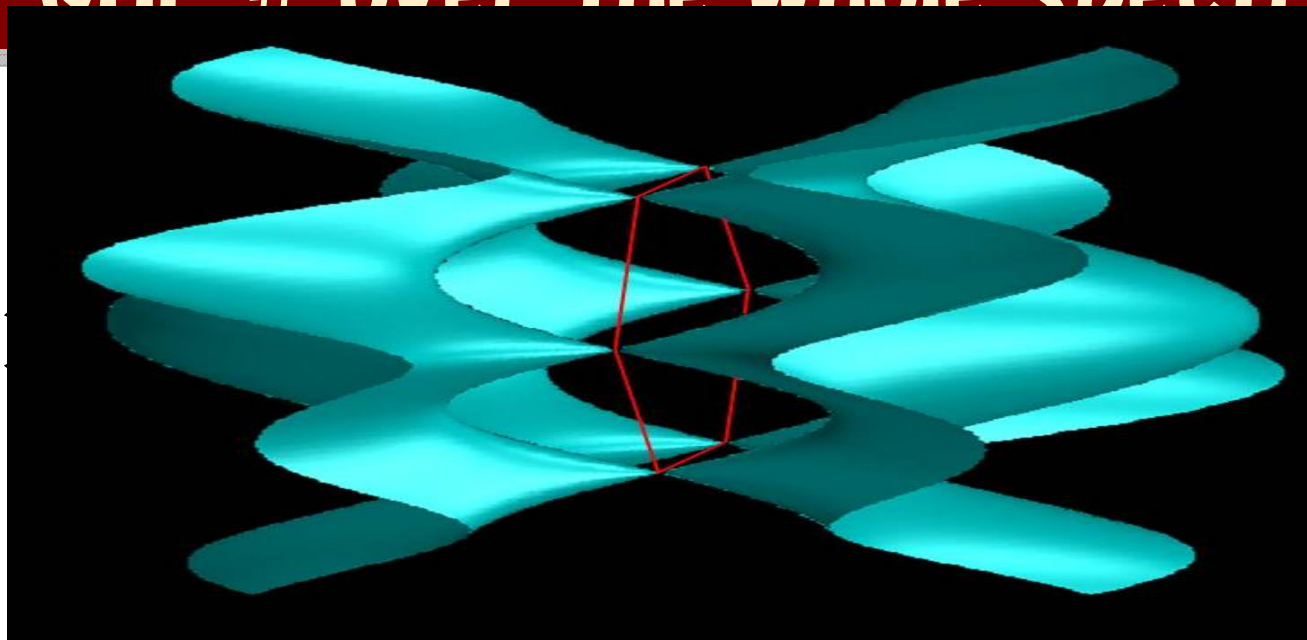


Rammal 1985

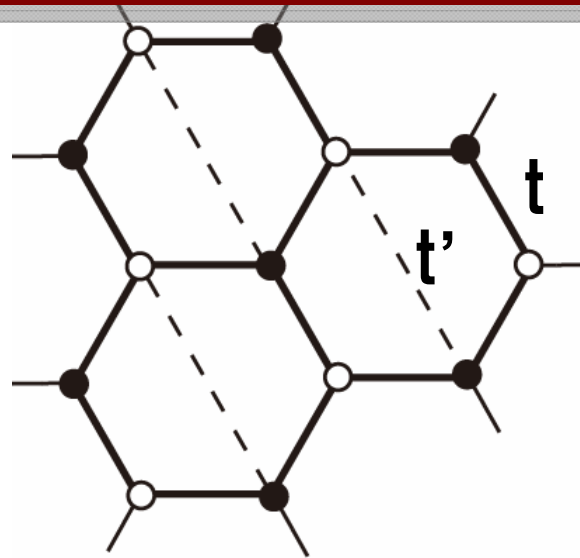
$E=0$ Landau level \leftarrow outside Onsager's semiclassical quantisation scheme

QHE # over the whole spectrum

(Fukui, PRB 2006)



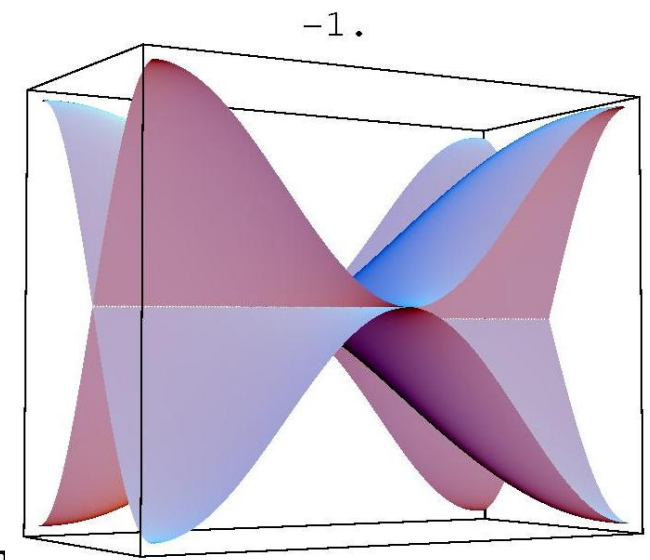
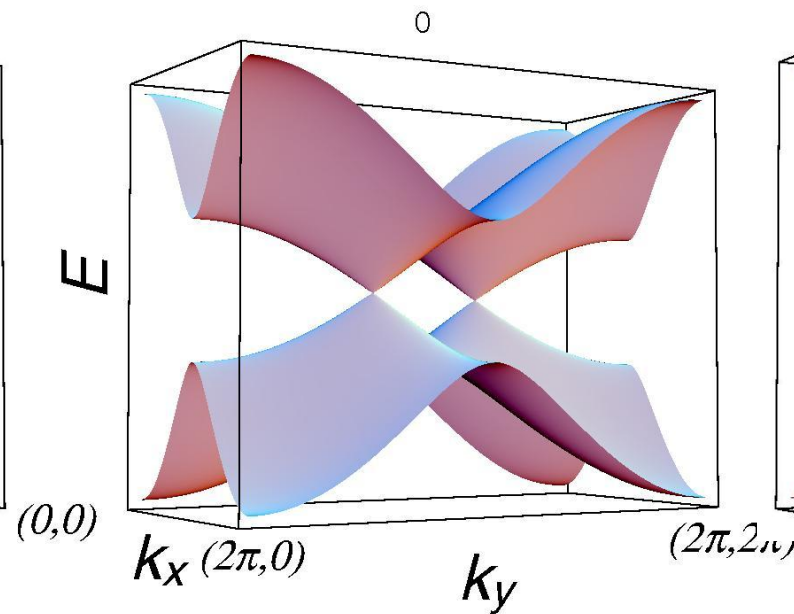
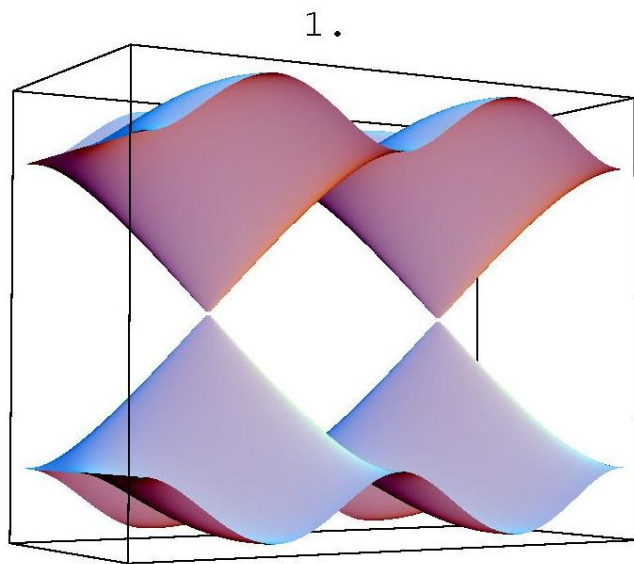
“Massless Dirac” for a sequence of

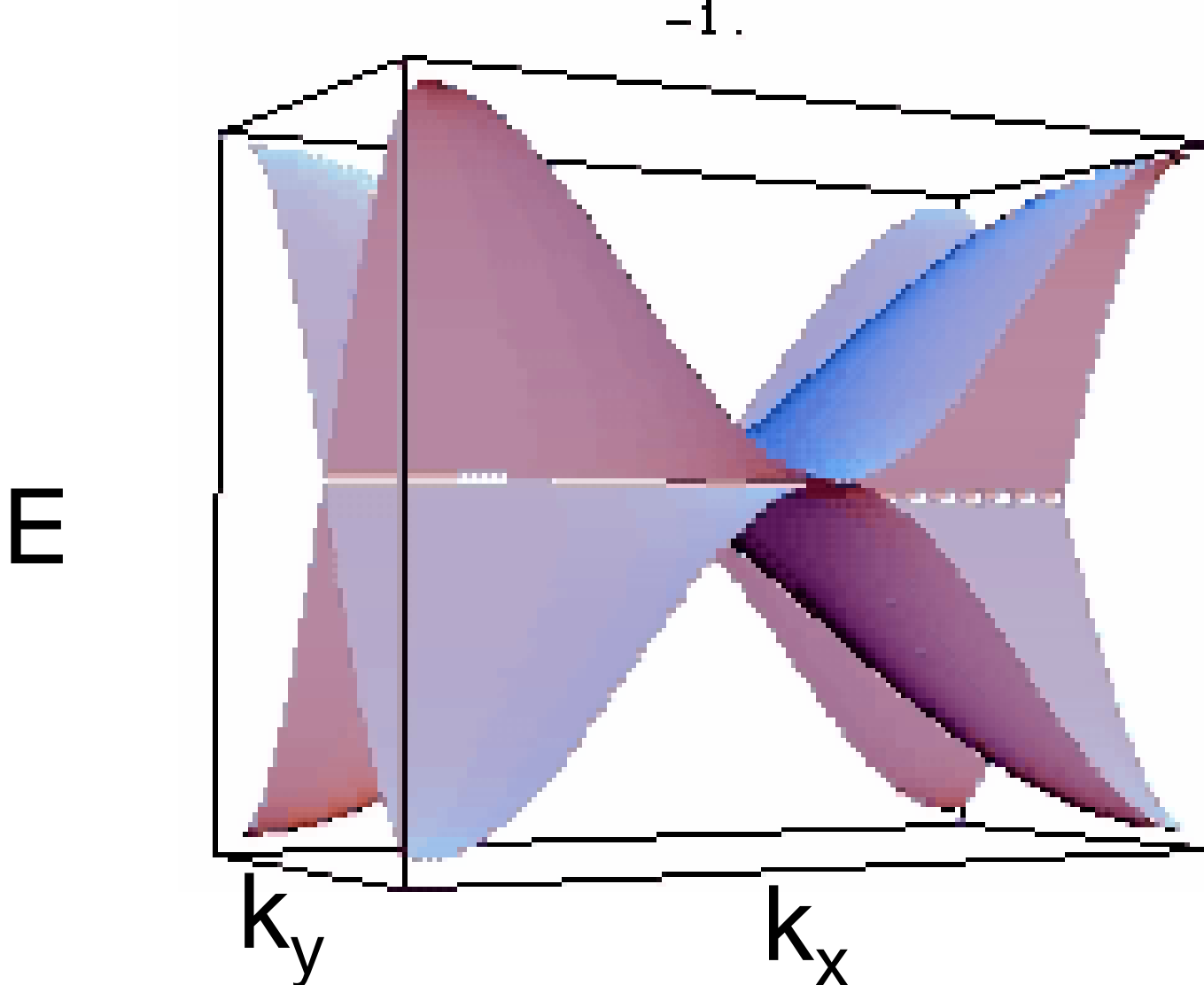


$t' = -1$: π -flux lattice

$t' = 0$: honeycomb

$t' = +1$: square

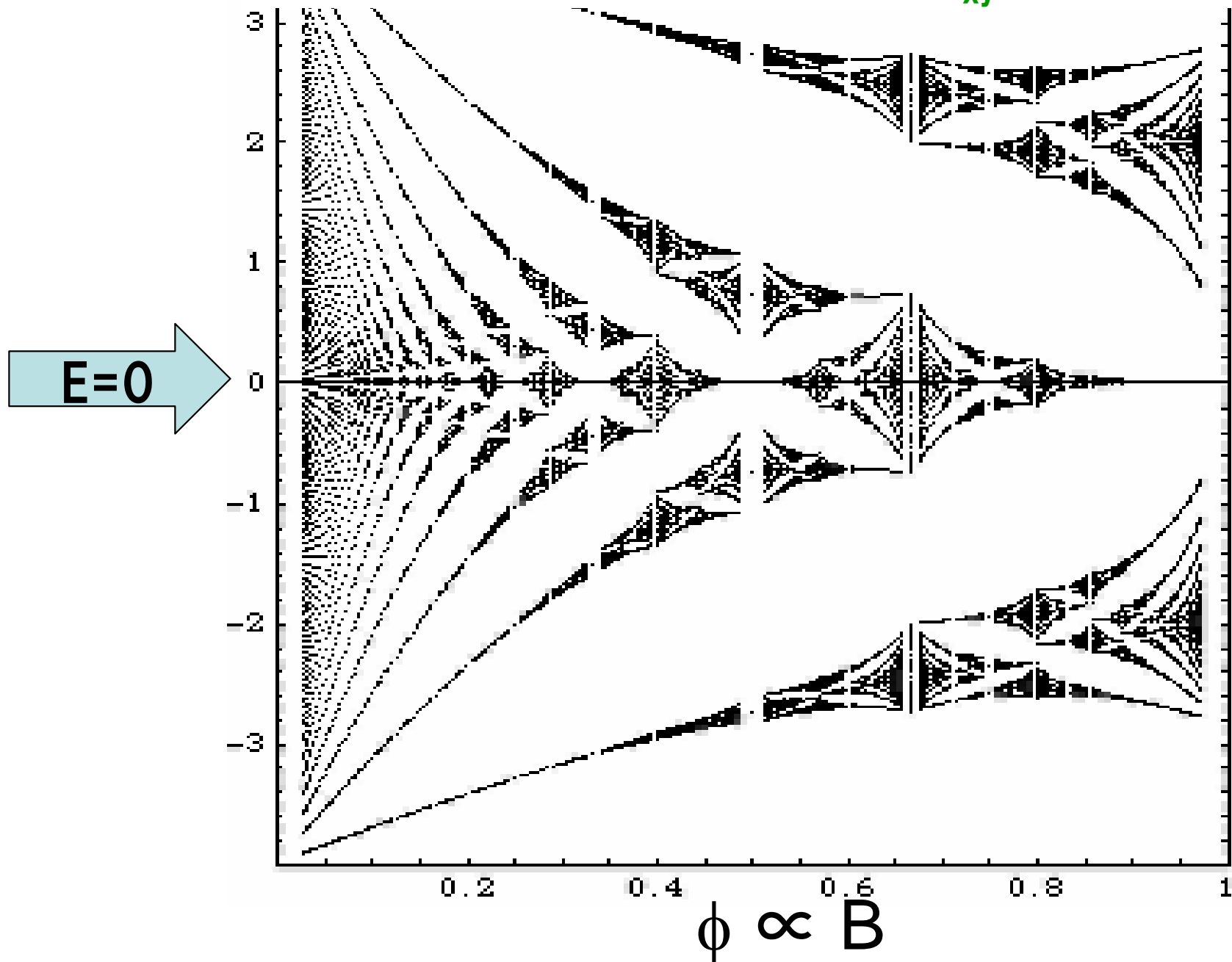




- Not specific to graphene
but shared by a class of non-Bravais lattices ?
cf. recent organic system
- * Dirac cones seem to always appear in pairs
--- **Nielsen-Ninomiya**

Adiabatic continuity for QHE

Persistent gap \rightarrow topological σ_{xy} protected

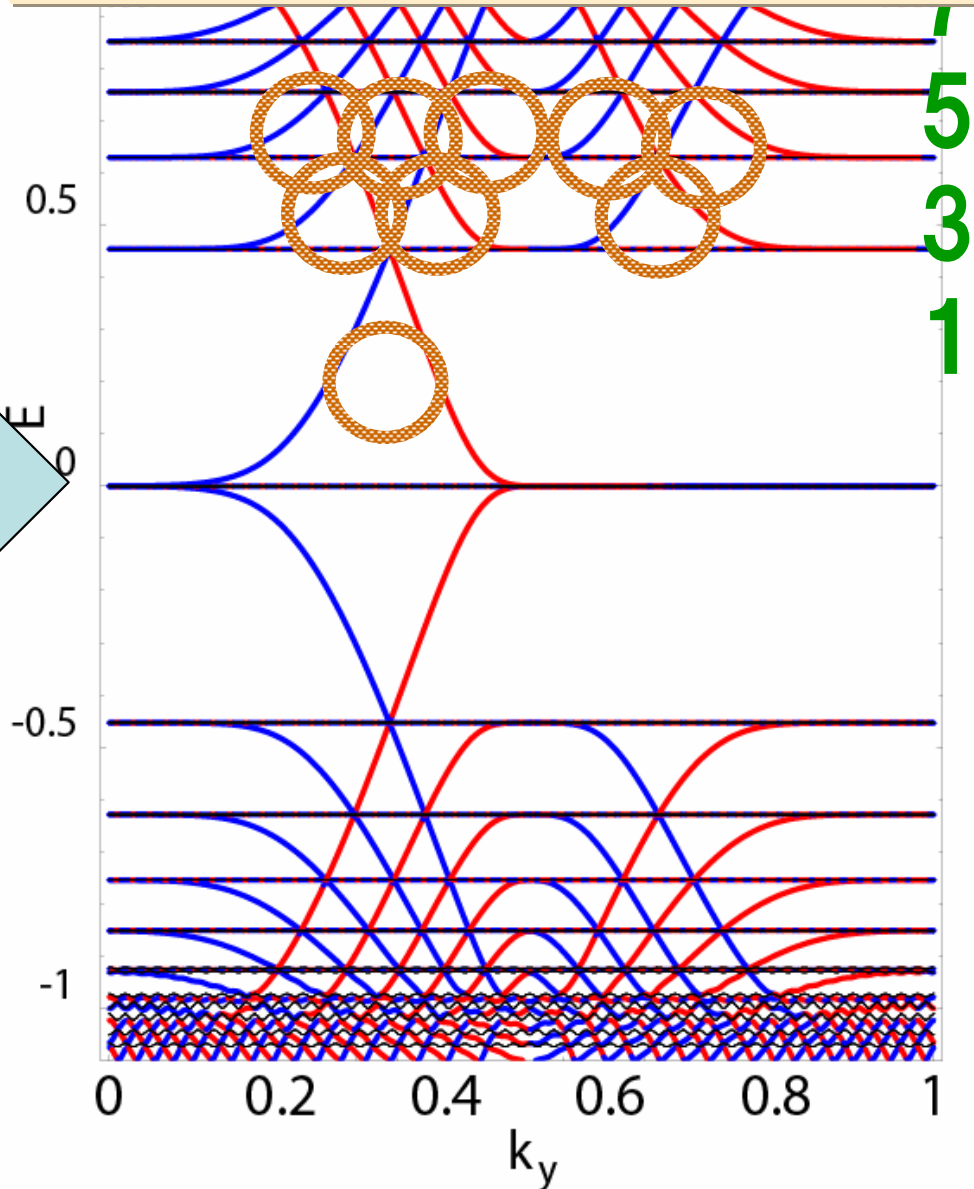


$\sigma_{xy}^{\text{bulk}} = \sigma_{xy}^{\text{edge}}$ in honeycomb

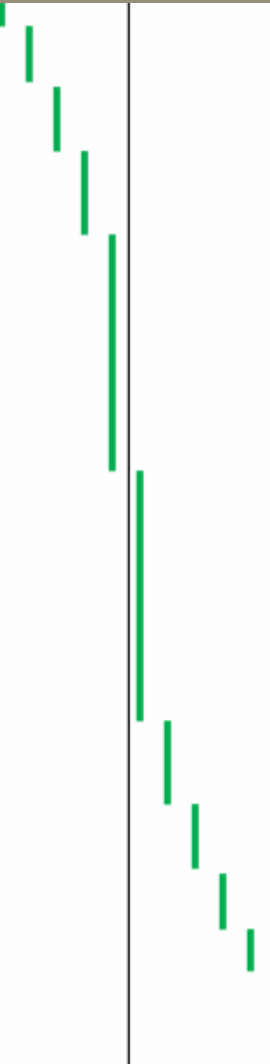
Ordinary QHE: $\sigma_{xy}^{\text{bulk}} = \sigma_{xy}^{\text{edge}}$ ← Hatsugai, 1993
with Laughlin's argument

honeycomb

$E=0$



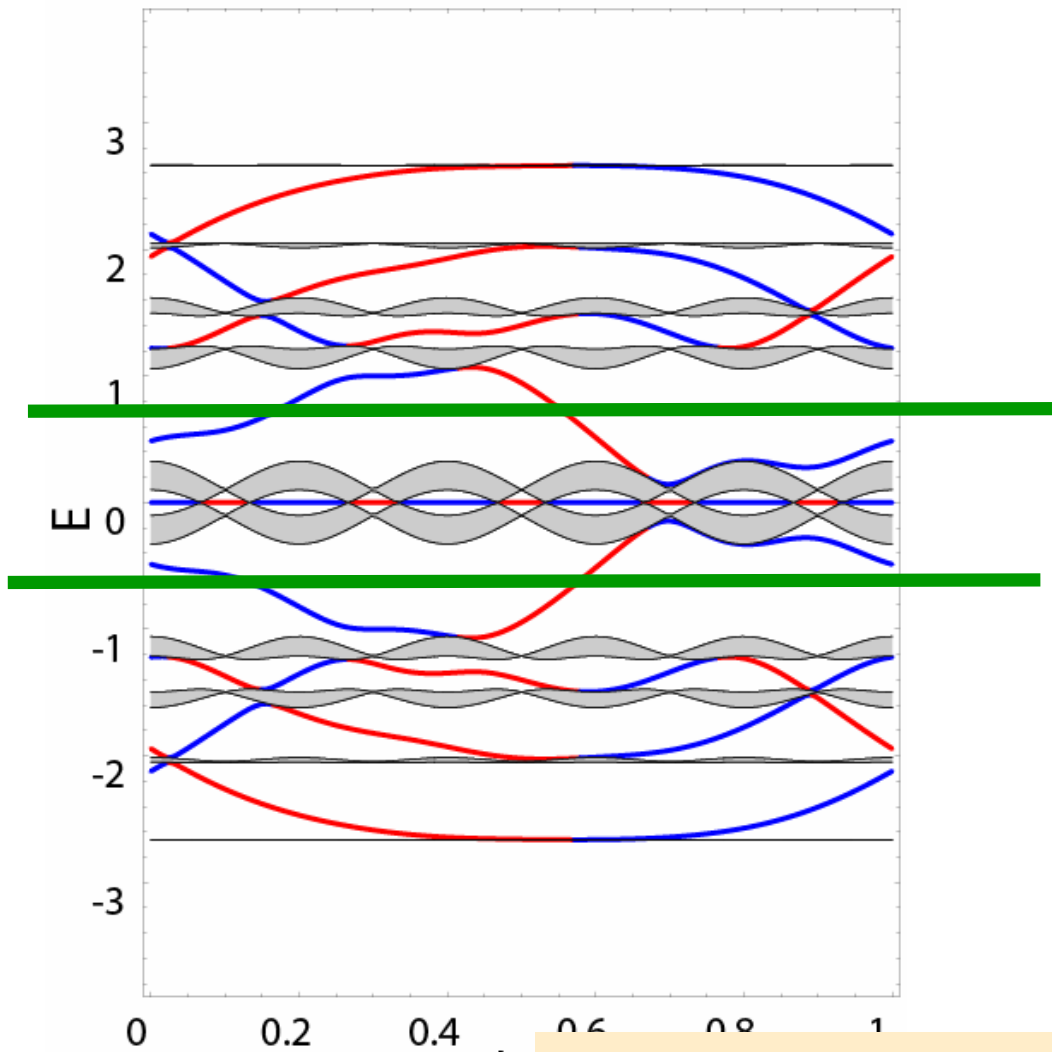
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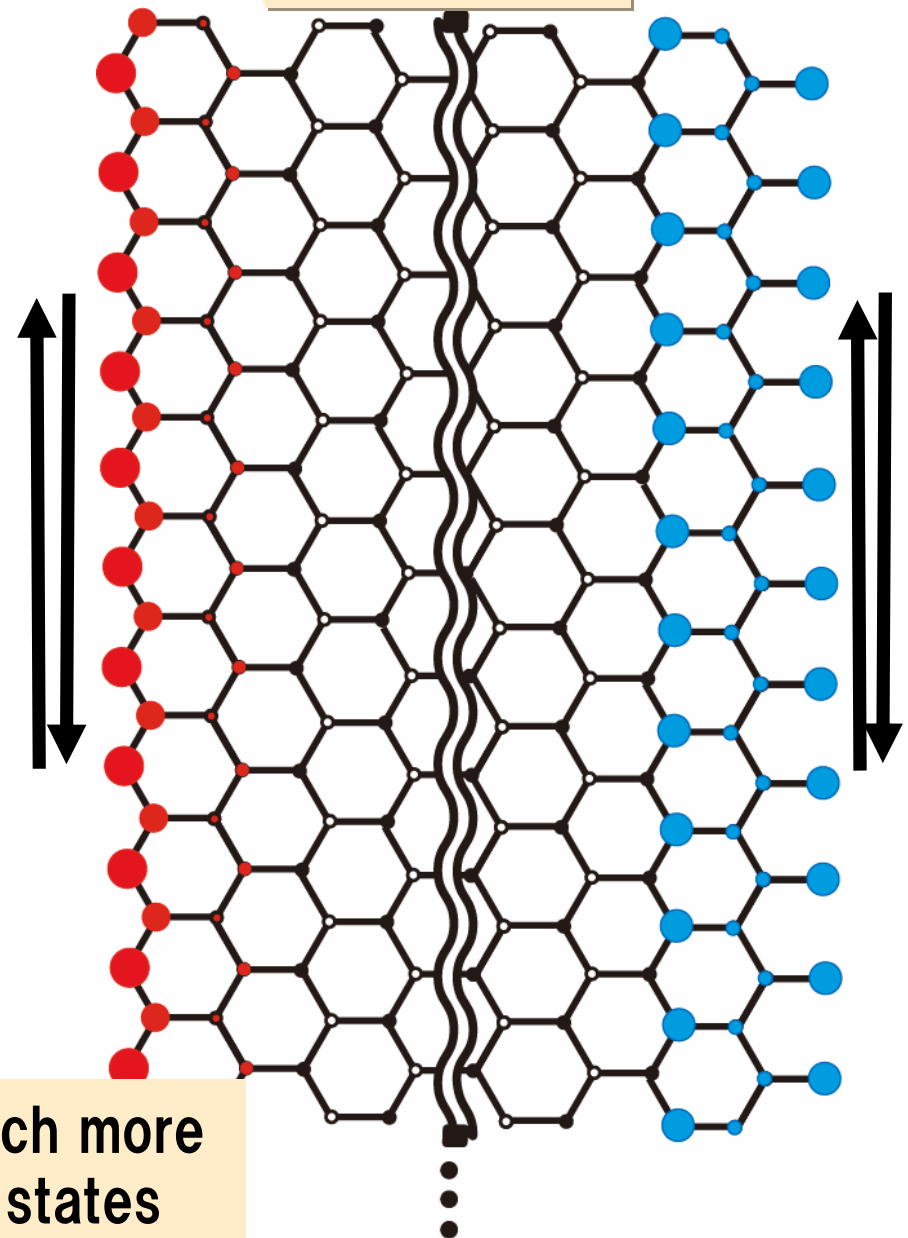
Edge Landau states

k space

(a)



real space

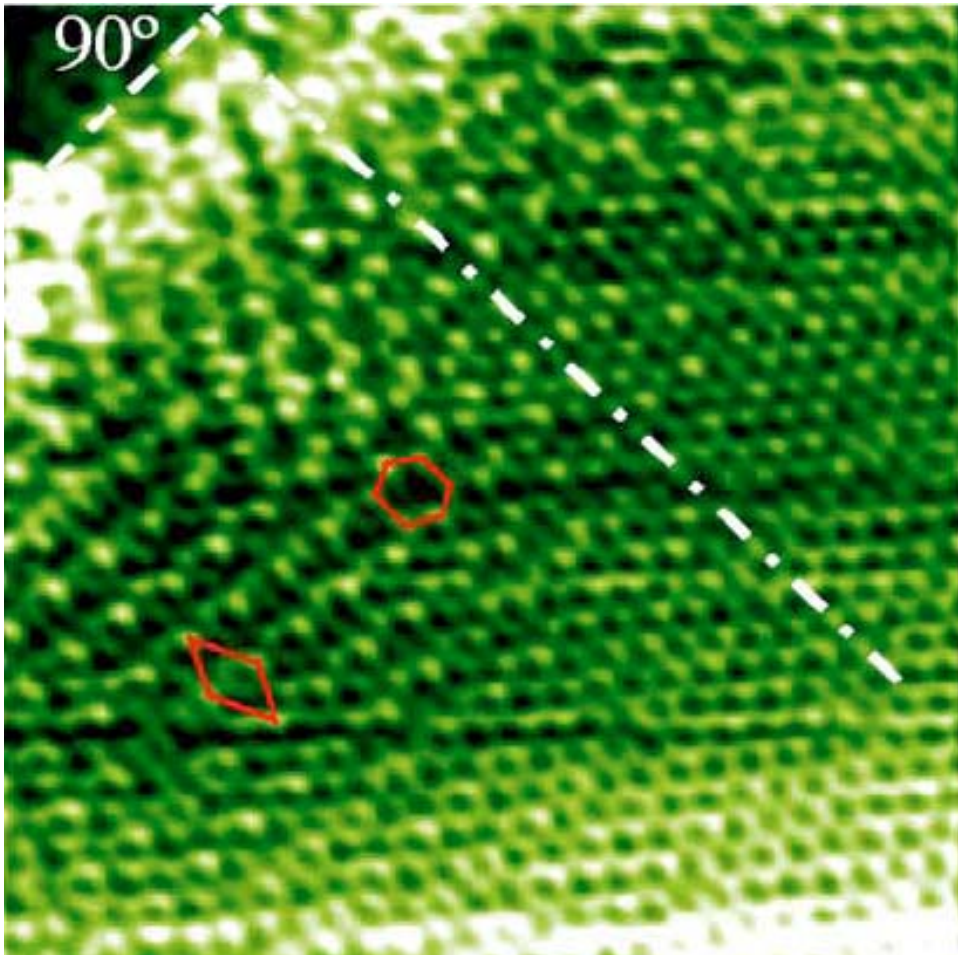


Edge Landau states much more robust than $B=0$ edge states

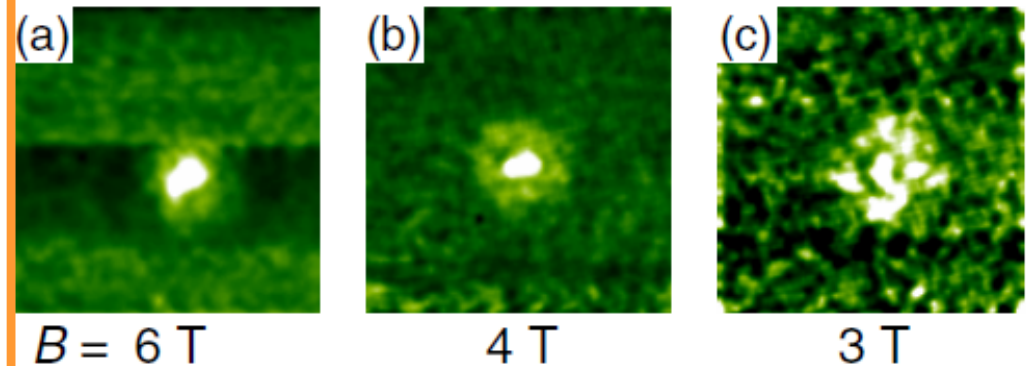
Boundary states with STM

* STM for graphite:

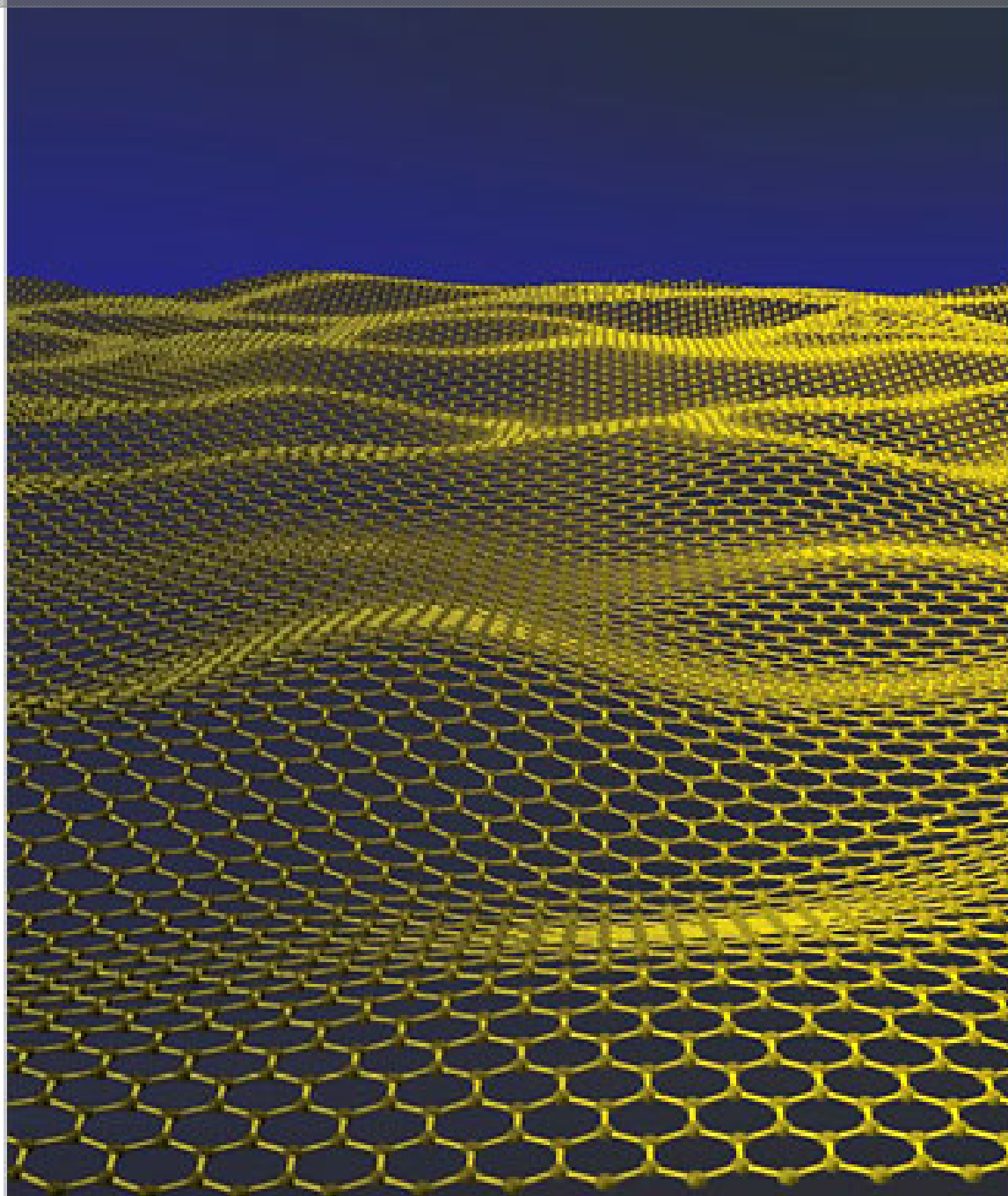
Edge (Niimi et al, PRB 2006)



Point defect in B
(Niimi et al, PRL 2006)

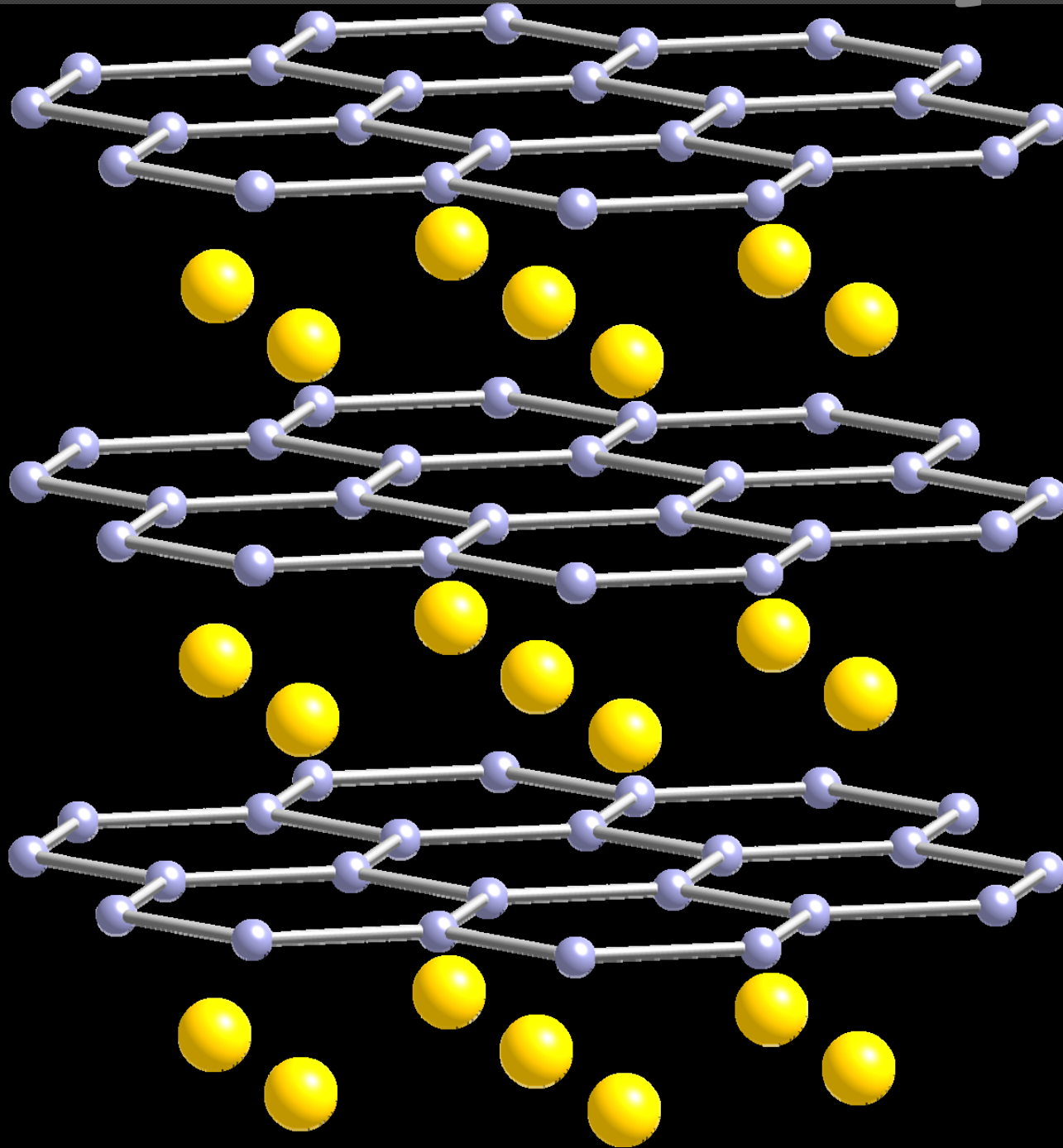


2D crystals should not exist



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Related structures: GIC , MgB_2



MgB₂ bandstructure

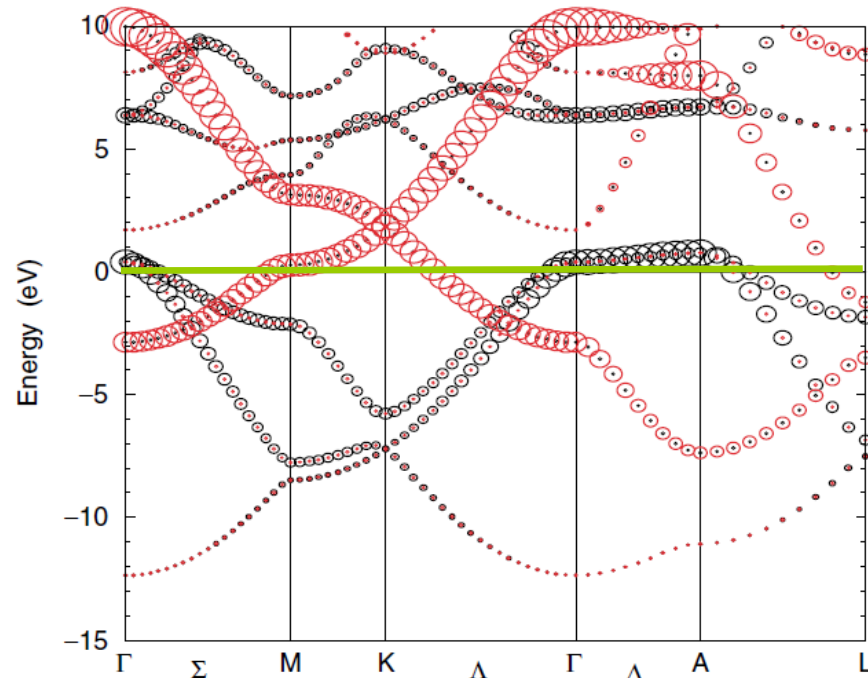
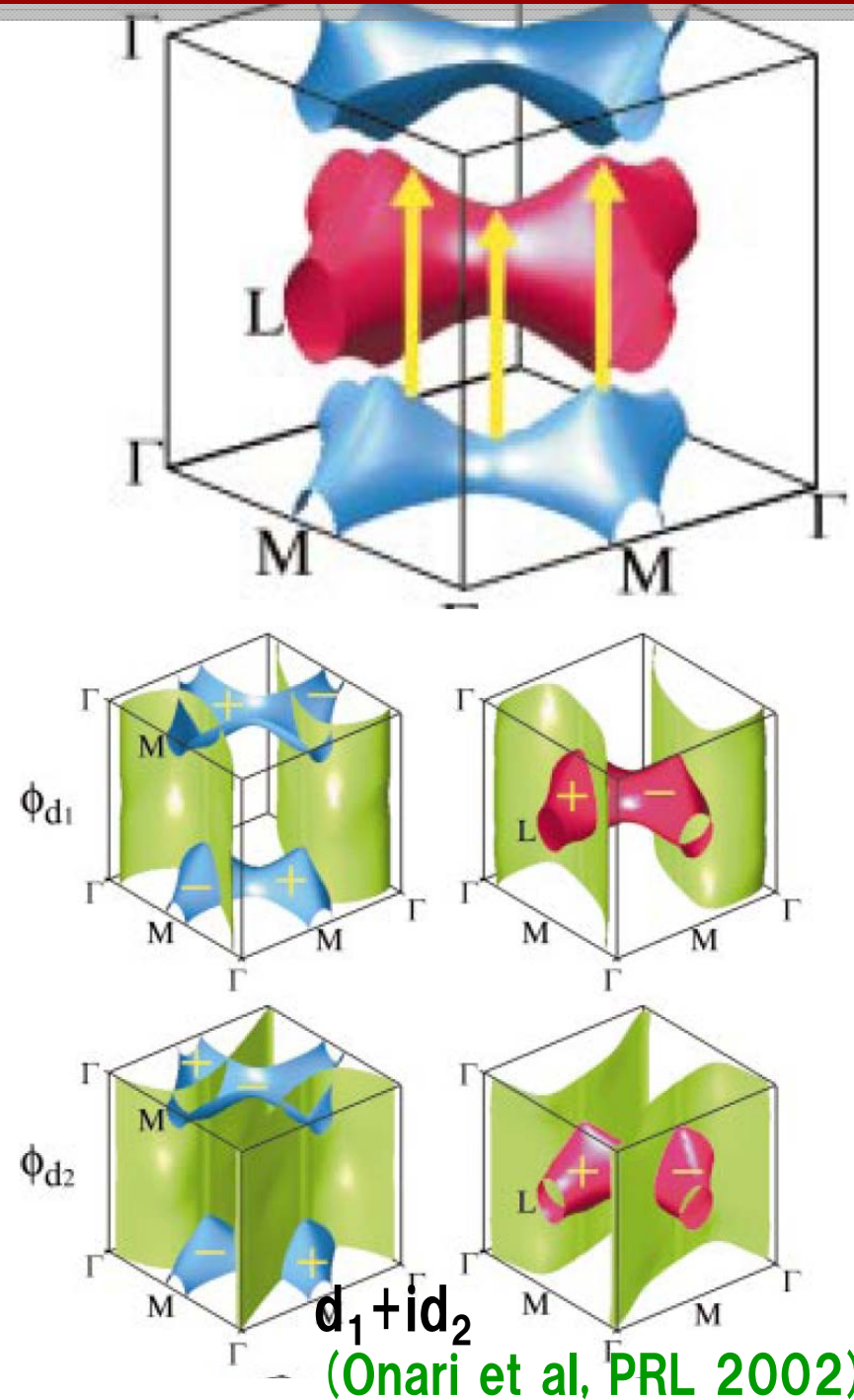


FIG. 1 (color). Band structure of MgB₂ with the B *p* character. The radii of the red (black) circles are proportional to the B *p_z* (B *p_{x,y}*) character.

(Kortus et al, PRL 2001)

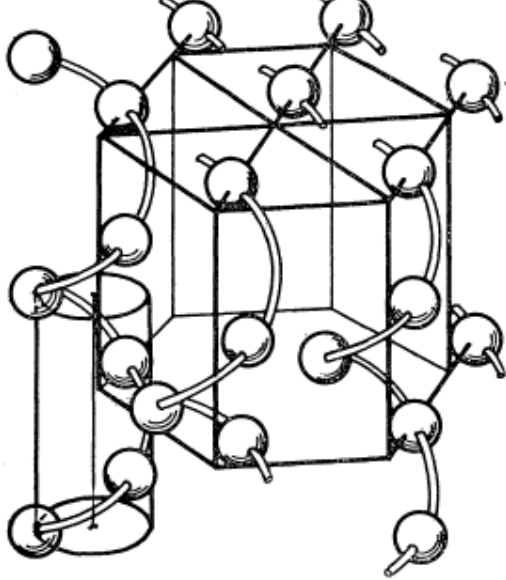
cf. p wave SC becomes
p + ip at K point in honeycomb
 (Uchoa & Castro Neto, PRL 2007)



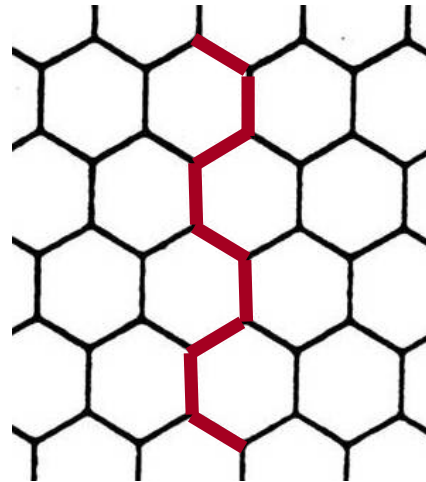
(Onari et al, PRL 2002)

Why the bands stick together at Bz edges

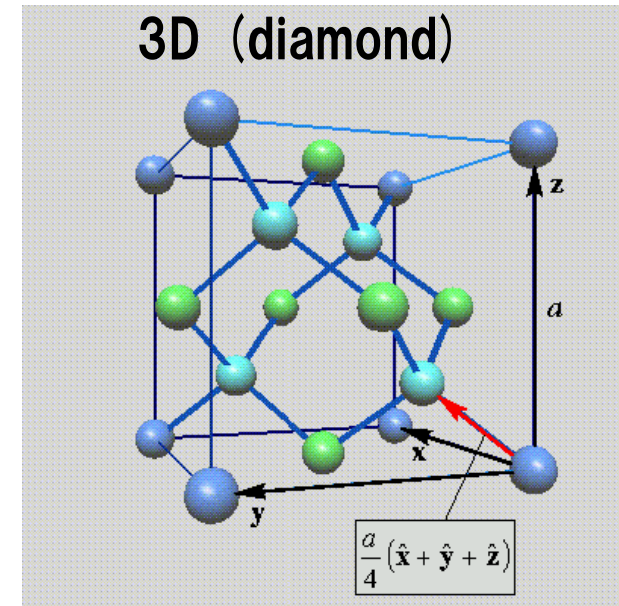
1D, (Se, Te)



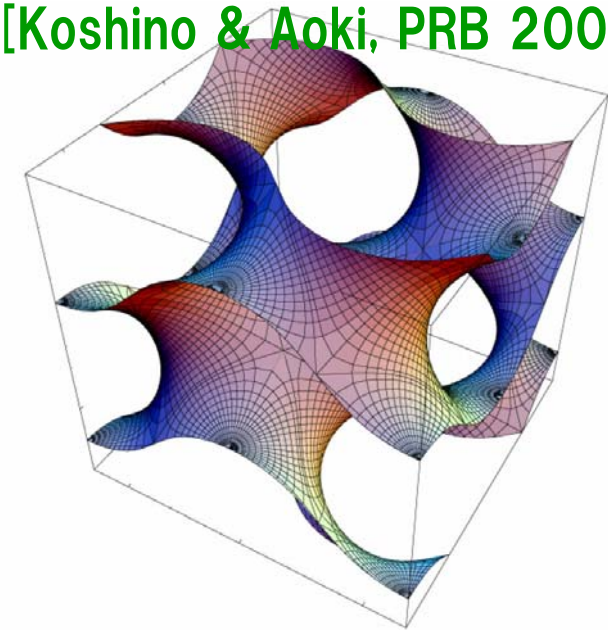
2D (graphite)



3D (diamond)

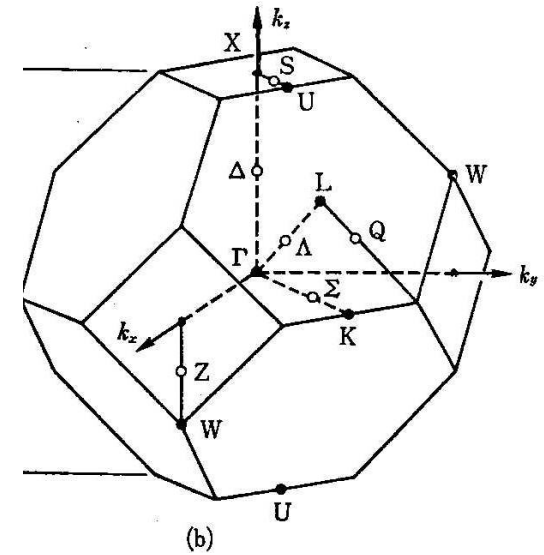
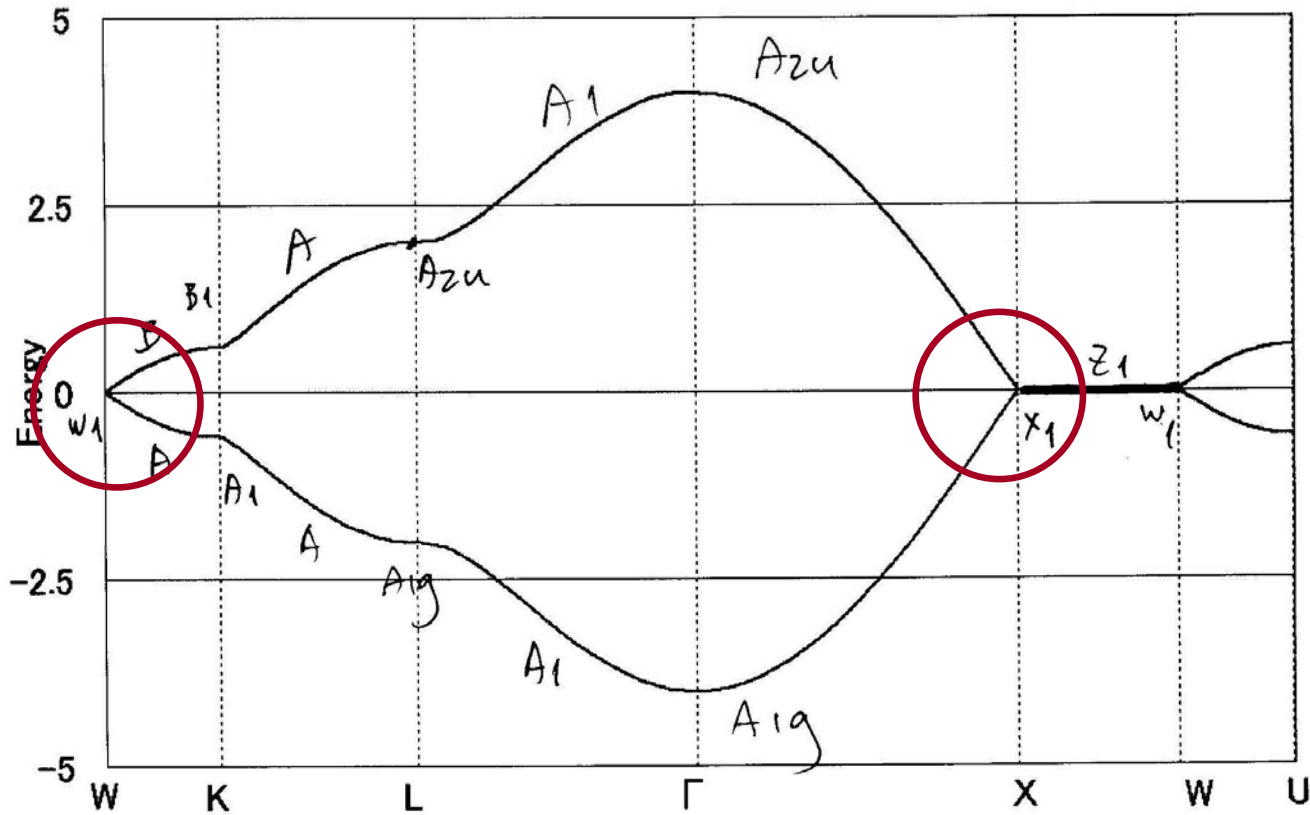


(gyroid system:
[Koshino & Aoki, PRB 2005])

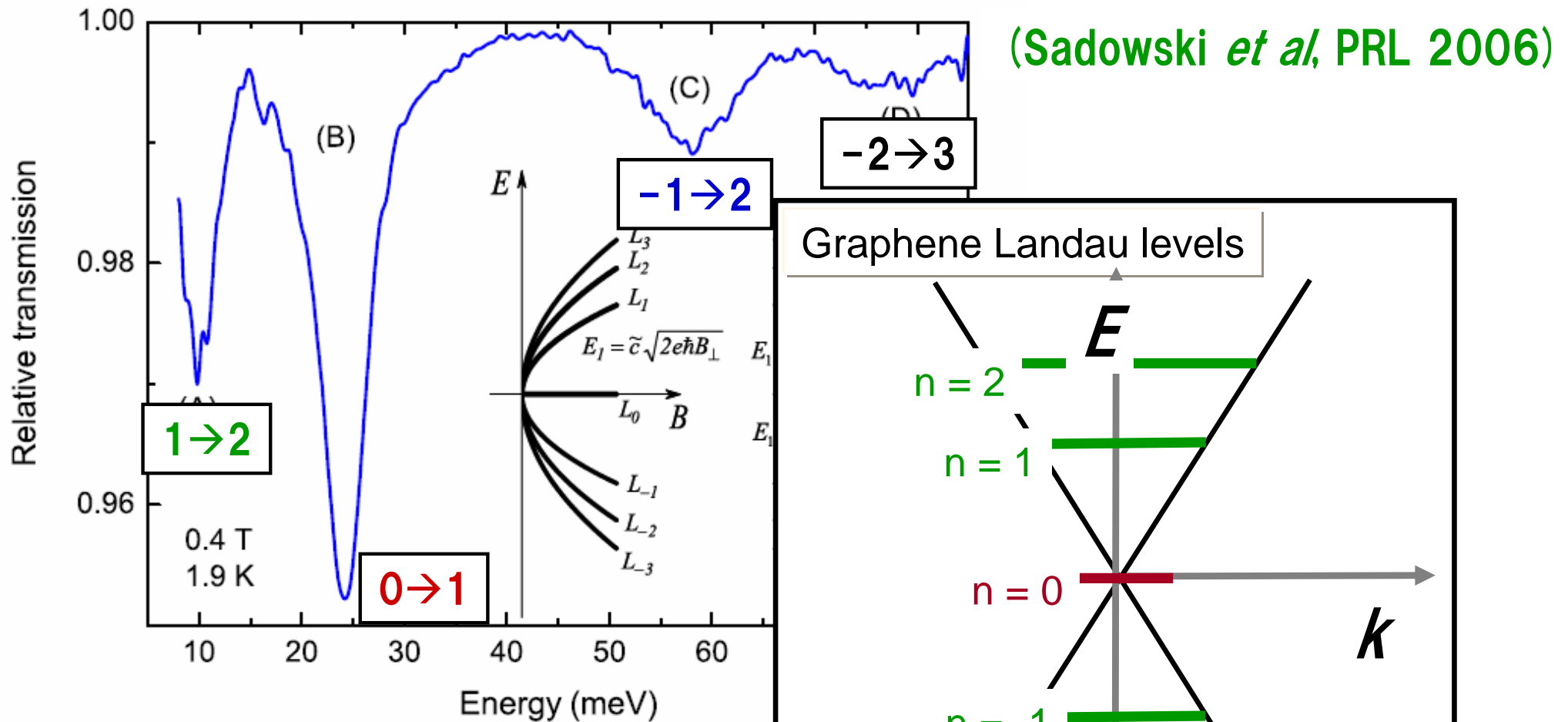


helical symmetry \rightarrow band sticking
(see, eg, Heine 1960)

Band for diamond (s orbitals)



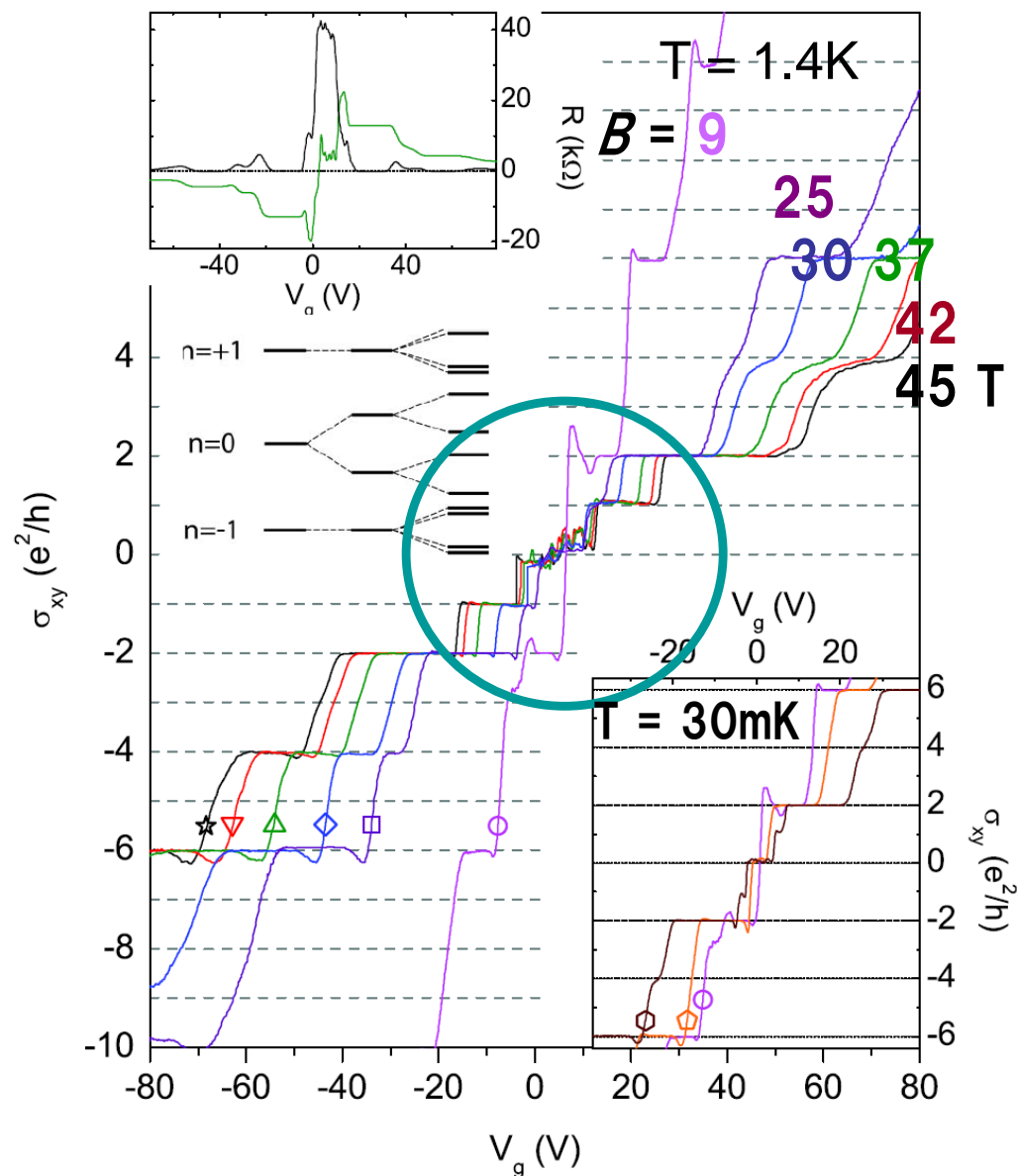
Optical spectroscopy for graphene Landau levels



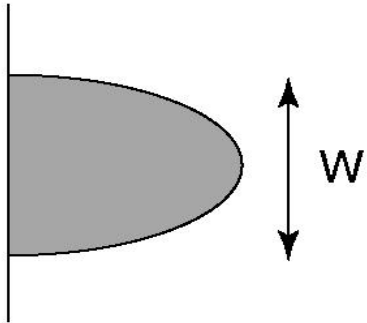
- * Uneven Landau level spacings
- * Peculiar selection rule: $|n| \leftarrow \rightarrow |n| + 1$
(usually, $n \leftarrow \rightarrow n + 1$)

Observed splitting of Landau levels

(Zhang et al, PRL 2006)



Correlated electron systems



$$\frac{U}{W} = \text{large}$$

→ strong correlation

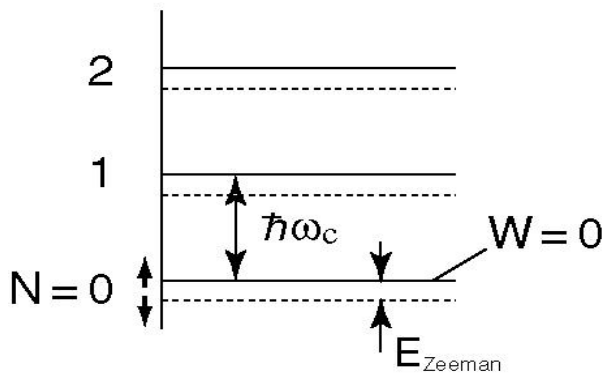
band filling

$n=1$ Mott transition

$n \neq 1$ Superconductivity
Stripe

⋮

FQHE systems



$$\frac{U}{W} = \infty$$

$\frac{U}{\hbar\omega_c}$, $\frac{U}{E_{\text{Zeeman}}}$: controllable

$$\nu = \frac{1}{\text{odd}}$$

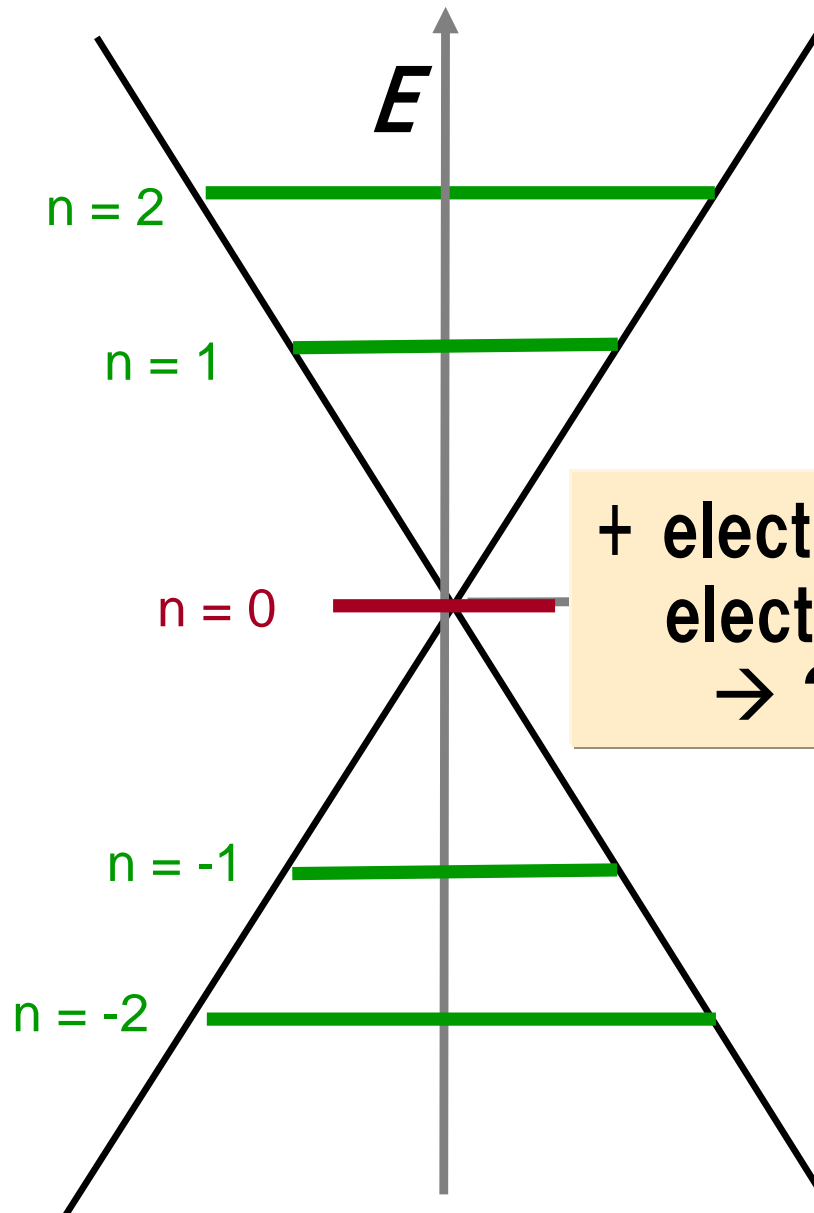
Laughlin's QL

$$\nu = \frac{*}{\text{even}}$$

(marginal?) FL
BCS state?
stripe

⋮

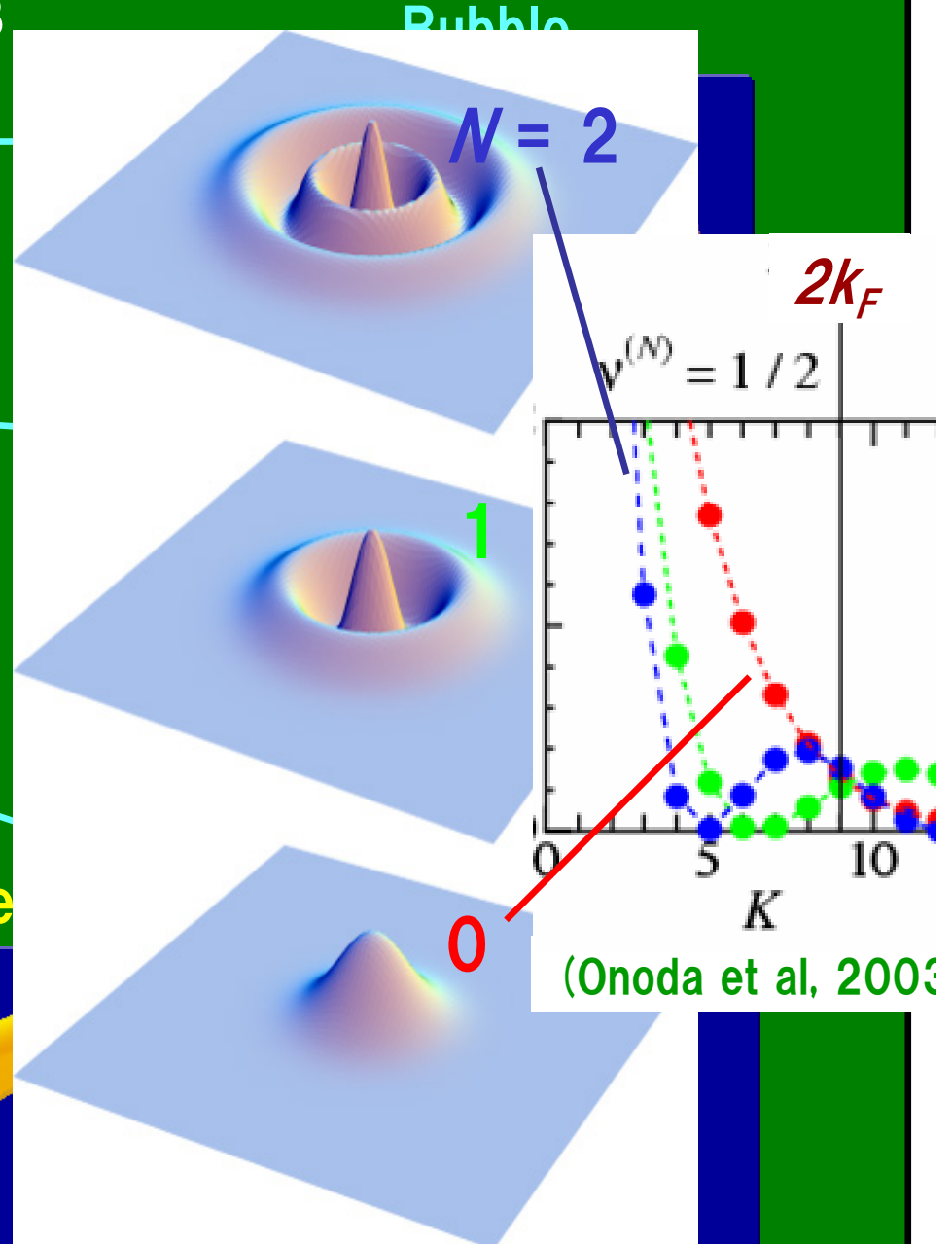
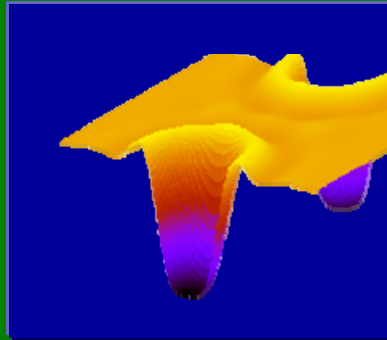
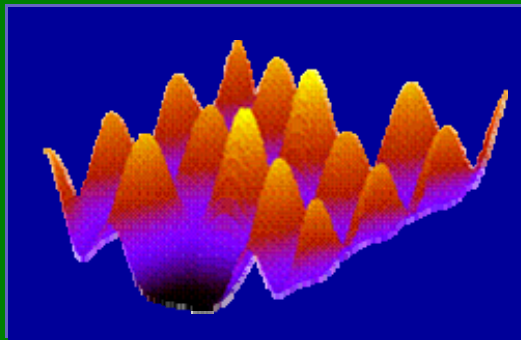
Many-body effects in graphene Landau levels



+ electron-electron interaction,
electron-lattice interaction
→ ?

Various phases in the quantum Hall system

DMRG result: Shibata & Yoshioka 2003



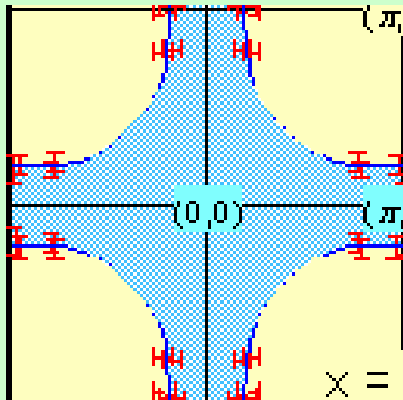
As strongly-correlated systems:

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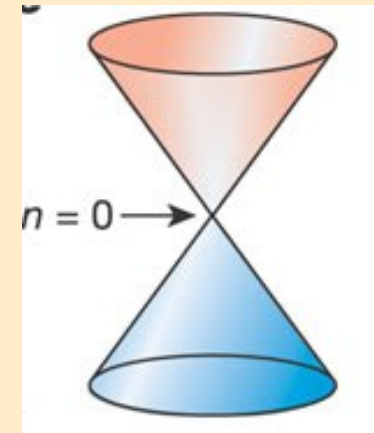
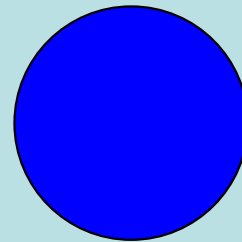
FQHE

graphene

Coulomb
anisotropic

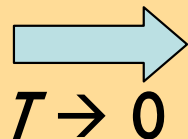


gauge field
isotropic



Reminds us of **Kohn-Luttinger 1965**

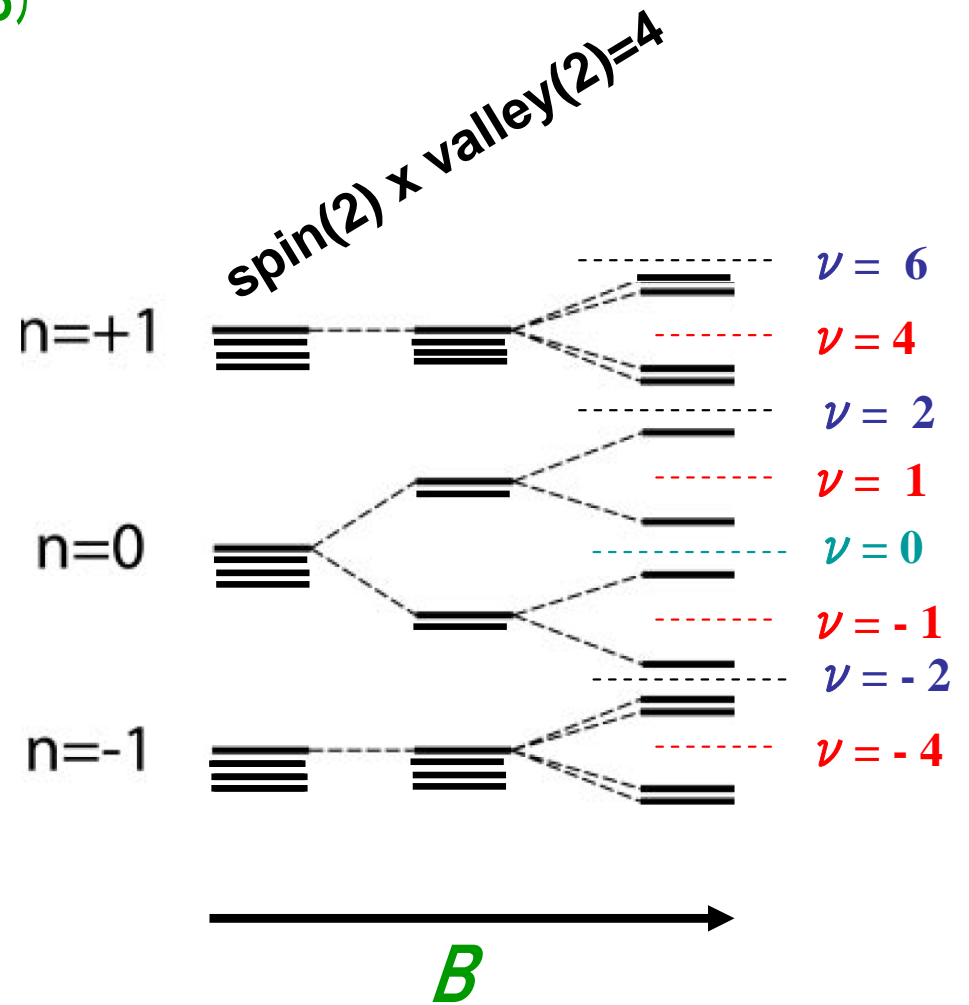
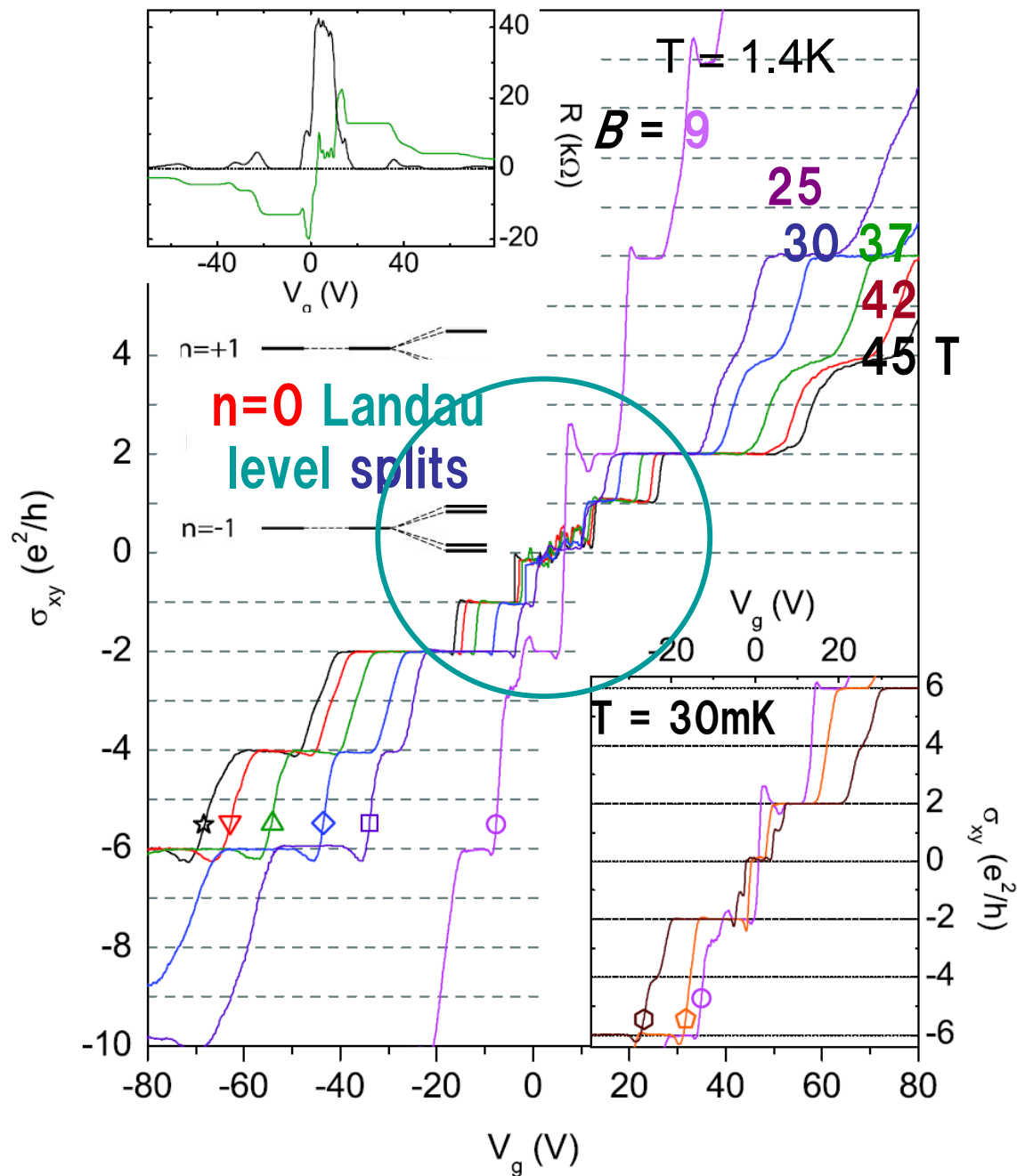
every metal



normal states become unstable

Observed splitting of Landau levels

(Zhang et al, PRL 2006)



Proposed mechanisms for split Landau levels

- * Excitonic gap (Gusynin et al, PRB 2006)
- * SU(4) -breaking (Nomura & MacDonald, PRL 2007)
- * FQHE (Apalkov & Chakraborty, PRL 2006)
- * Peierls distortion (Fuchs & Lederer, PRL 2007)
- Bond order (Hatsugai et al, 2007)

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Bond ordering

(Hatsugai, Fukui & Aoki, 2007)

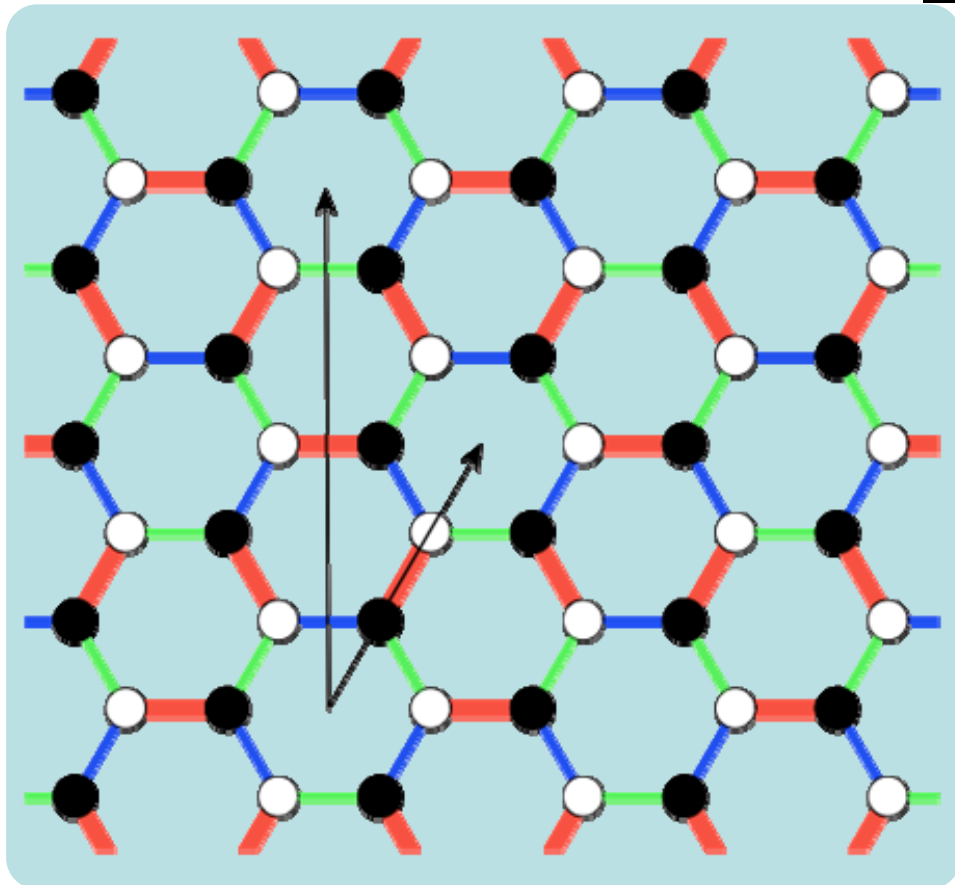
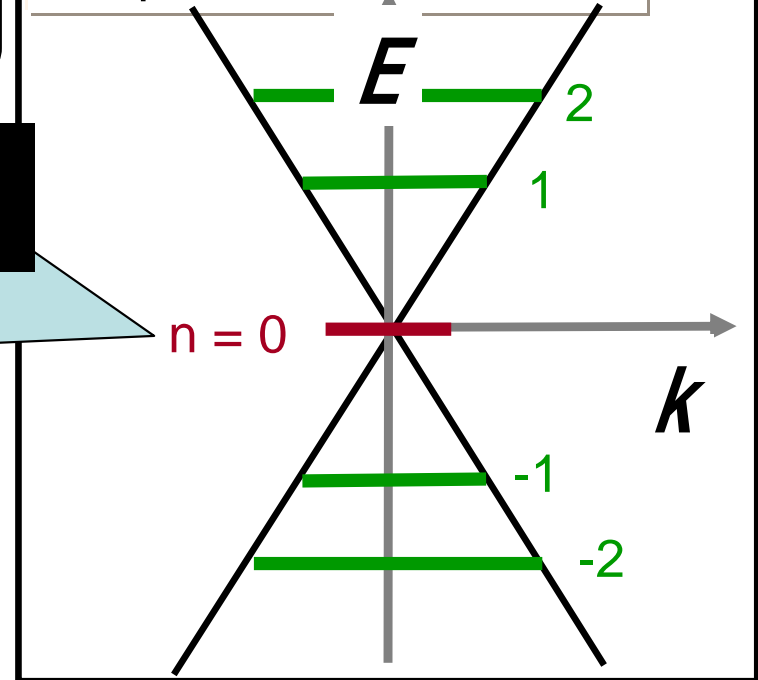
bond-order parameter

$$\langle c_a^\dagger c_b \rangle$$

(Affleck-Marston 1988)

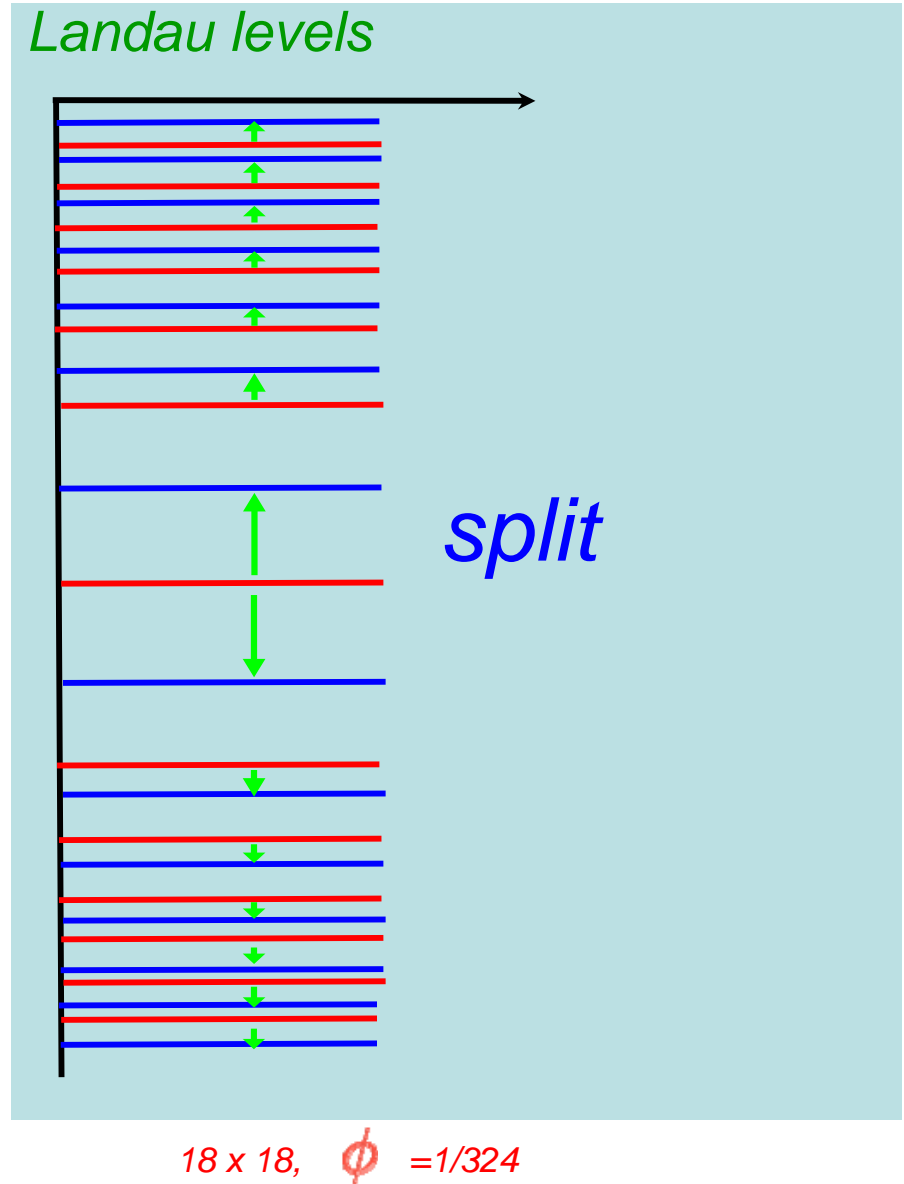
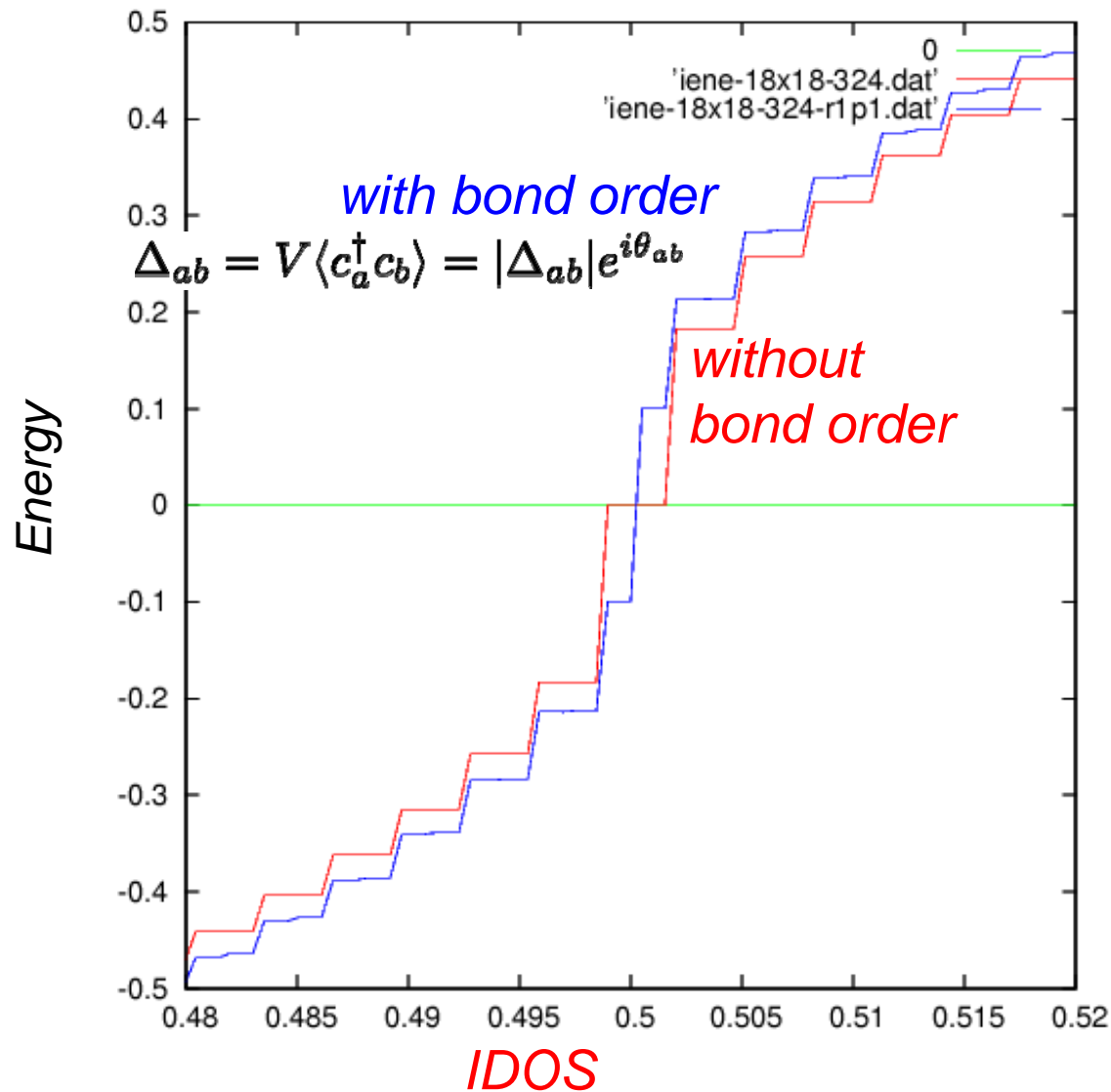
stabilised due
to $D(E) = \infty$

Graphene Landau levels



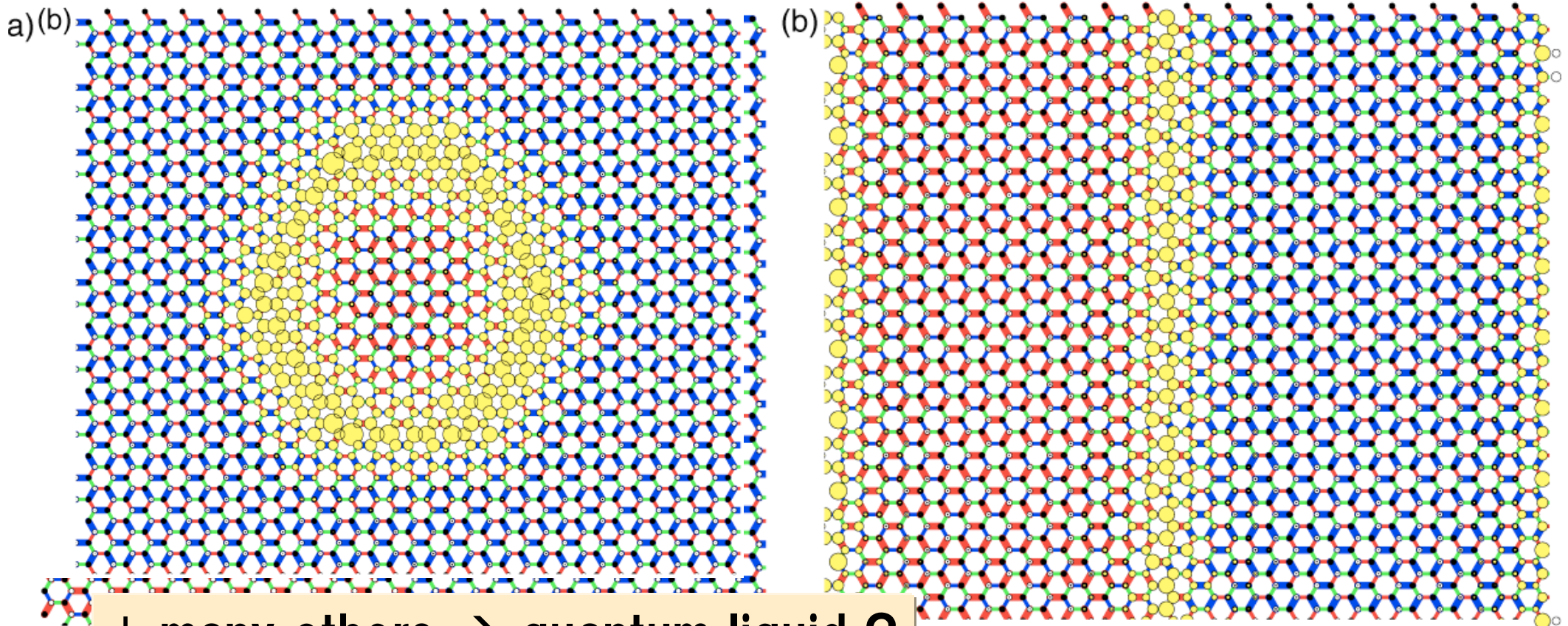
- ★ “Kekulean” pattern
- ★ but the chiral symm preserved
- ★ 3-fold degenerate

Gap opening with the bond ordering



Domain structures in bond ordering

Charge Density of the in-gap states



+ many others \rightarrow quantum liquid ?

Summary

Graphene: one-body

- *massless Dirac + B → peculiar QHE*
- *QHE: topological*
→ *bulk-edge correspondence*

Graphene: many-body

- *Landau level + interaction*
→ *various instabilities expected*

Future problems

- *re-doing the condensed-matt phys*
picking up anomalies on the way