

Does the **DAVINCI CODE** Hold the Key to Room Temperature Superconductivity?

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The Road to Room Temperature Superconductivity

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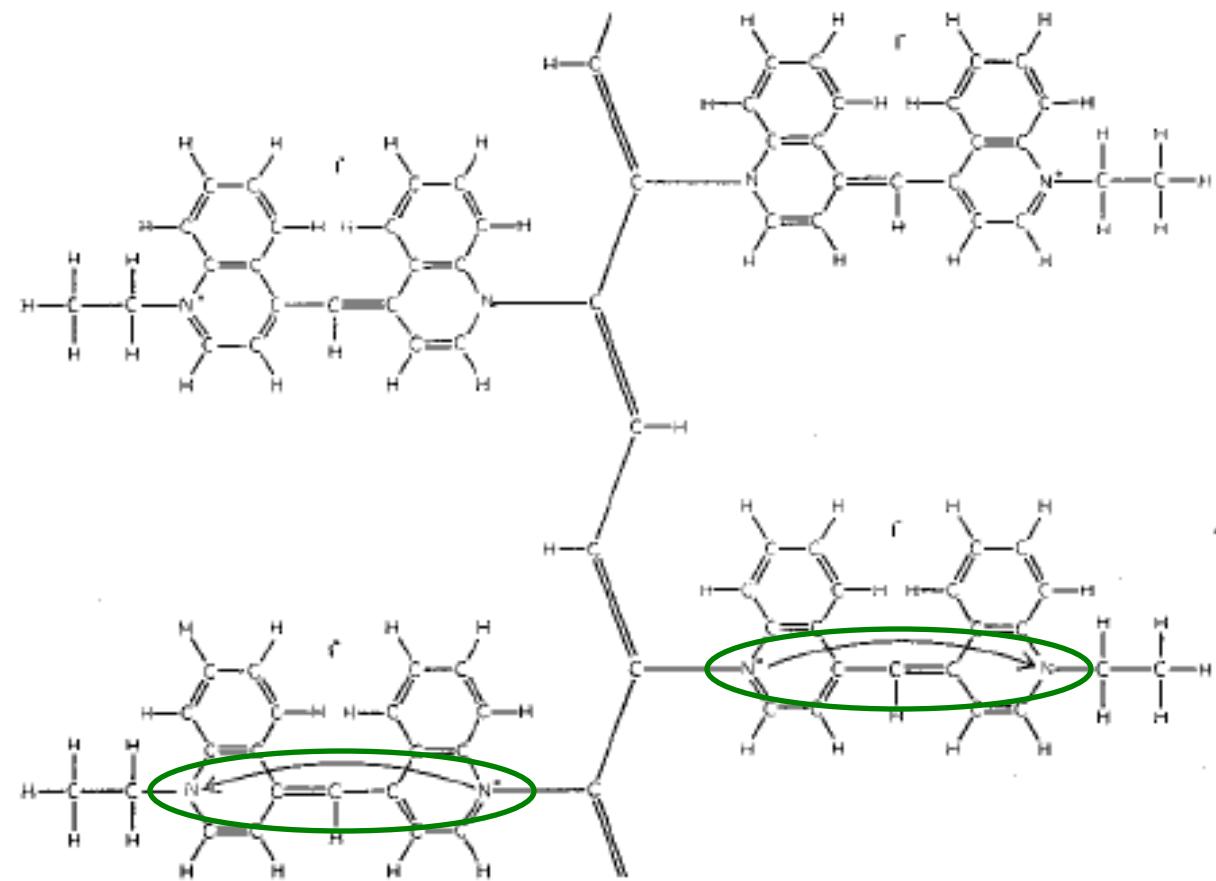
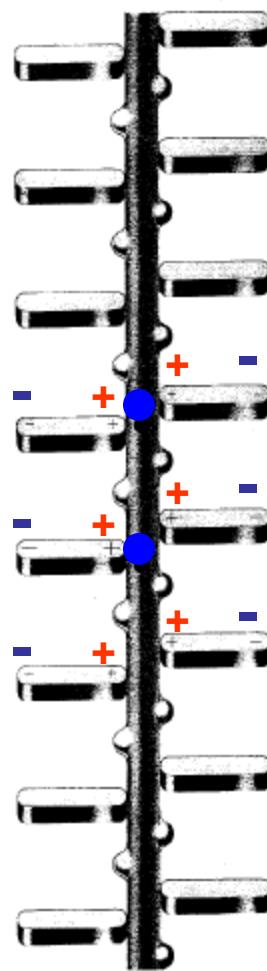
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<http://www.w2agz.com/rtsc07.htm>

Road2RTS

London (1950)

Little, 1963



Diethyl-cyanine iodide

“Bill Little’s BCS”

$$T_C = a\Theta e^{-\frac{1}{\lambda - \mu^*}}$$

~~$\lambda k\Theta$~~ ~~E_F~~

Where

Θ = Exciton Characteristic Temperature ($\sim 22,000$ K)

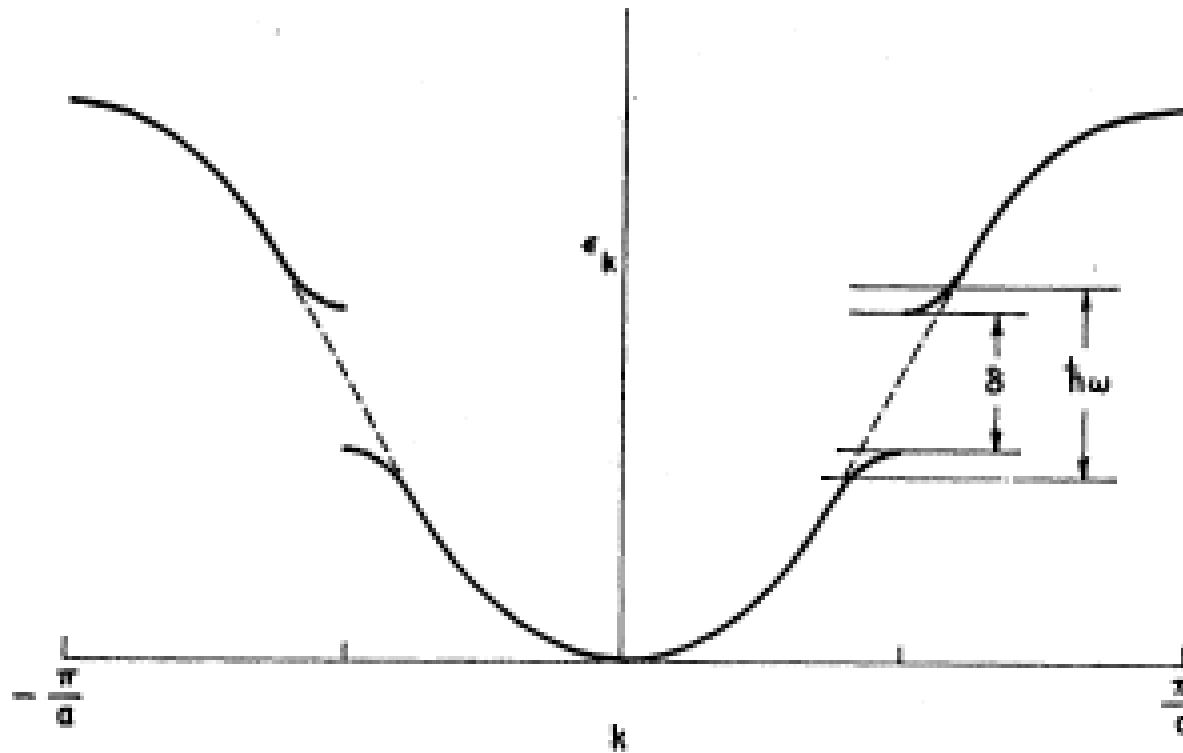
λ = Fermion-Boson Coupling Constant (~ 0.2)

μ^* = Fermion-Fermion Repulsion (?)

a = “Gap Parameter, $\sim 1-3$ ”

T_C = Critical Temperature, ~ 300 K

Spine is a Semiconductor!



False Alarm:

SUPERCONDUCTING FLUCTUATIONS AND THE PEIERLS INSTABILITY IN AN ORGANIC SOLID*

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Allender-Bray-Bardeen (1973)

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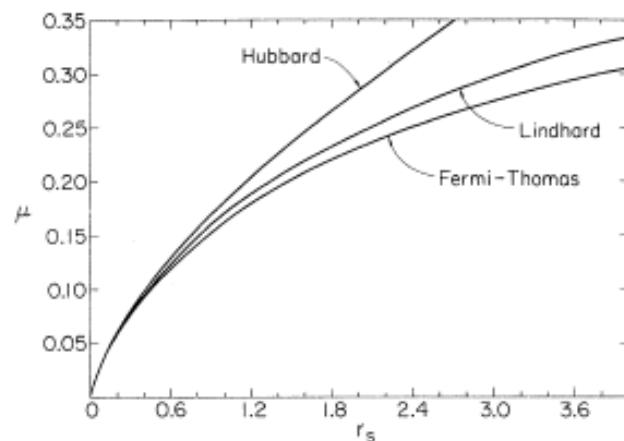
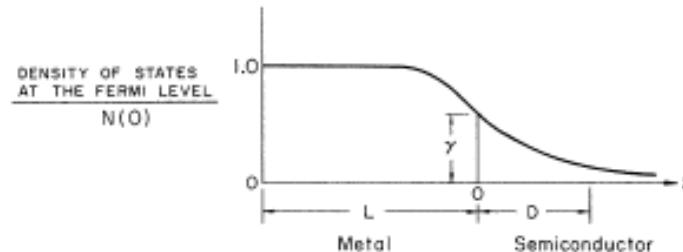
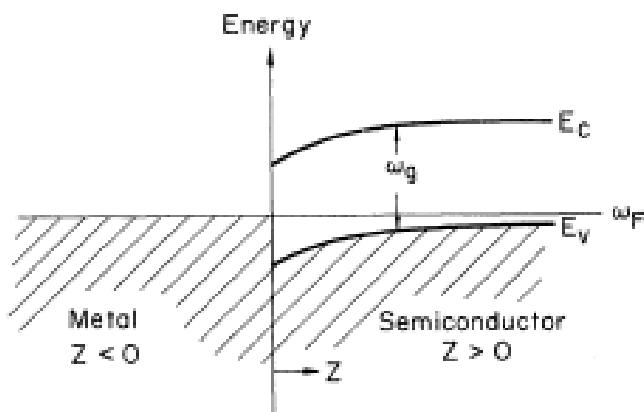
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Model for an Exciton Mechanism of Superconductivity*

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Electron-Exciton Interaction

$$H_{el-ph} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{q}\nu} g_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{q}\nu, mn} c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\dagger m} c_{\mathbf{k}}^n (b_{-\mathbf{q}\nu}^{\dagger} + b_{\mathbf{q}\nu}) \quad (1)$$

Exciton c-a Operators

$$\alpha^2 F(\omega) = \frac{1}{N(\varepsilon_F)} \sum_{mn} \sum_{\mathbf{q}\nu} \delta(\omega - \omega_{\mathbf{q}\nu}) \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |g_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{q}\nu, mn}|^2 \times \delta(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},m} - \varepsilon_F) \delta(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k},n} - \varepsilon_F), \quad (2)$$

$$\lambda = 2 \int \frac{\alpha^2 F(\omega)}{\omega} d\omega = \sum_{\mathbf{q}\nu} \lambda_{\mathbf{q}\nu}, \quad (3)$$

$$\lambda_{\mathbf{q}\nu} = \frac{2}{N(\varepsilon_F) \omega_{\mathbf{q}\nu}} \sum_{mn} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |g_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{q}\nu, mn}|^2 \times \delta(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},m} - \varepsilon_F) \delta(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k},n} - \varepsilon_F). \quad (4)$$

Electron-Exciton
Coupling

Davis – Gutfreund – Little (1975)

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Proposed model of a high-temperature excitonic superconductor*

D. Davis,[†] H. Gutfreund,[‡] and W. A. Little

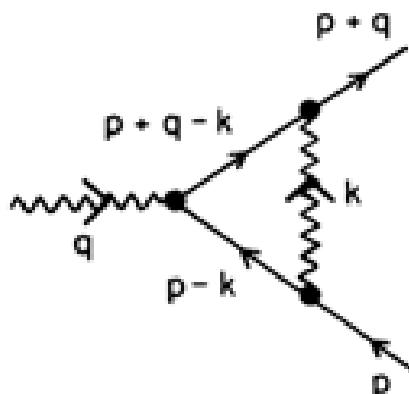
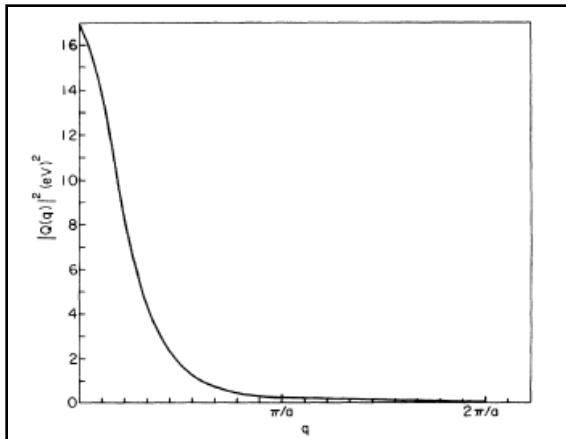
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(Received 16 October 1975)

$$g_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{q},\nu,mn} \rightarrow$$

$$\phi^*(r_1 - R_j) \phi(r_1 - R_h) e^{i[kR_h - (k+q)R_j]} V(r_1 r_2) \sum_{m,l,\nu} [u_{\alpha l}^\nu(q) + i v_{\alpha l}^\nu(q)] e^{-iqR_l} \Psi_\nu^*(R_{ml}) \Psi_{00}$$

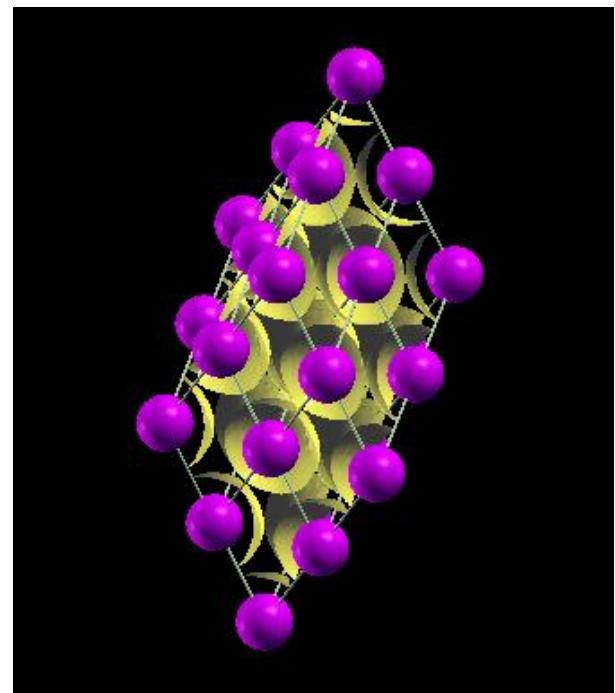
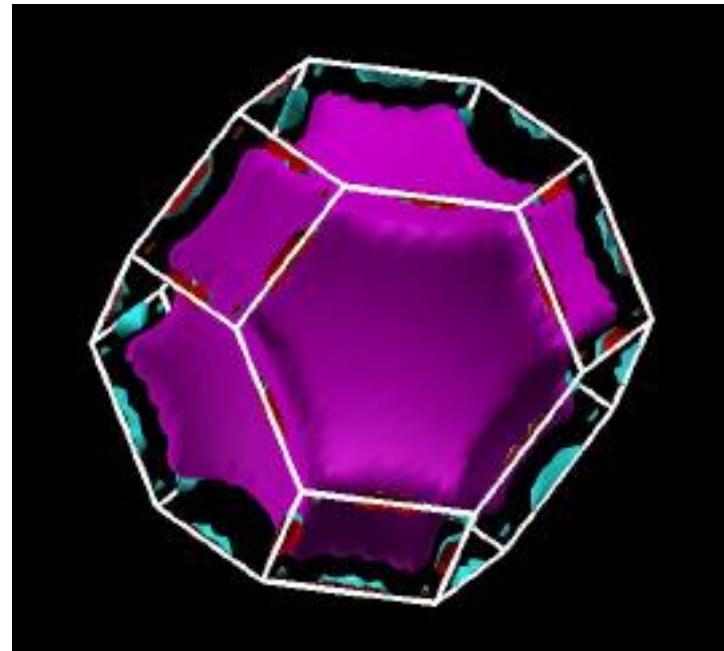
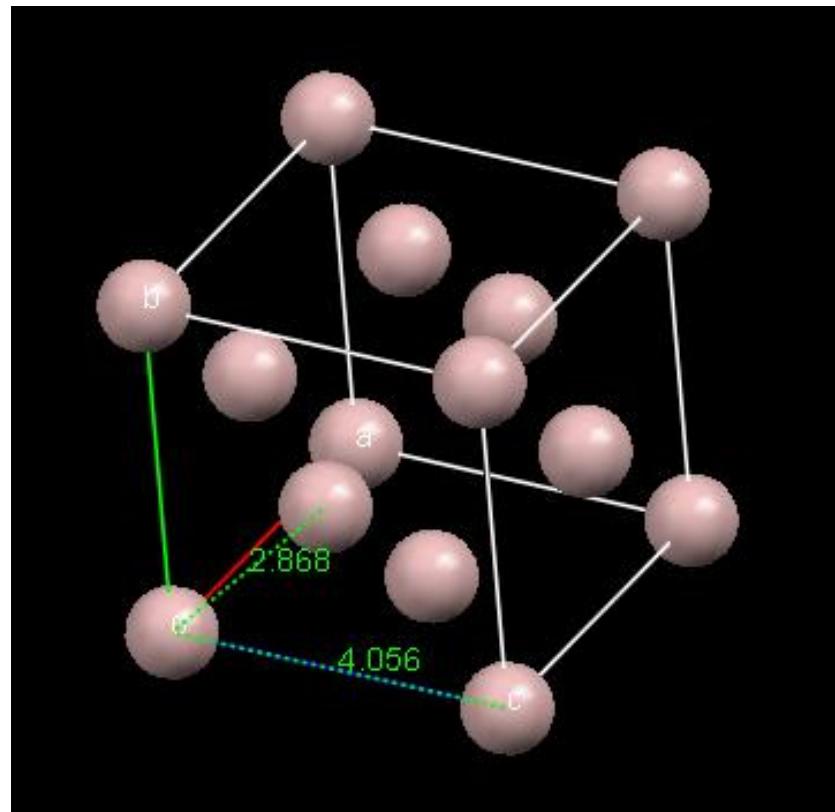
$$Q_\alpha(q) = \frac{1}{N^{3/2}} \int \sum_{j,k} \phi^*(r_1 - R_j) \phi(r_1 - R_h) e^{i[kR_h - (k+q)R_j]} V(r_1 r_2) \sum_{m,l,\nu} [u_{\alpha l}^\nu(q) + i v_{\alpha l}^\nu(q)] e^{-iqR_l} \Psi_\nu^*(R_{ml}) \Psi_{00} d^3 r_1 d^3 r_2$$

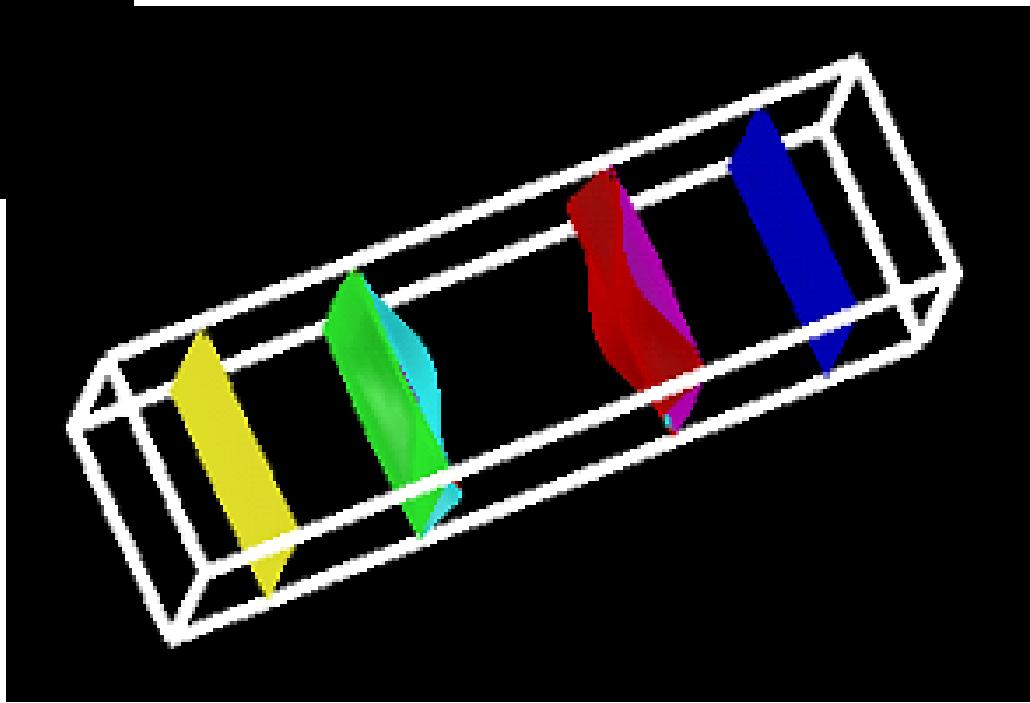
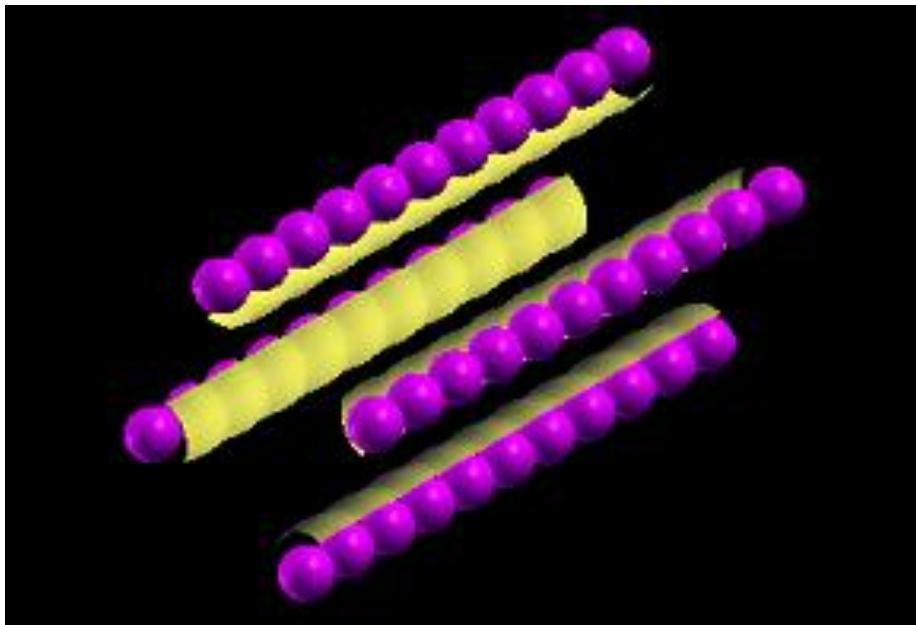


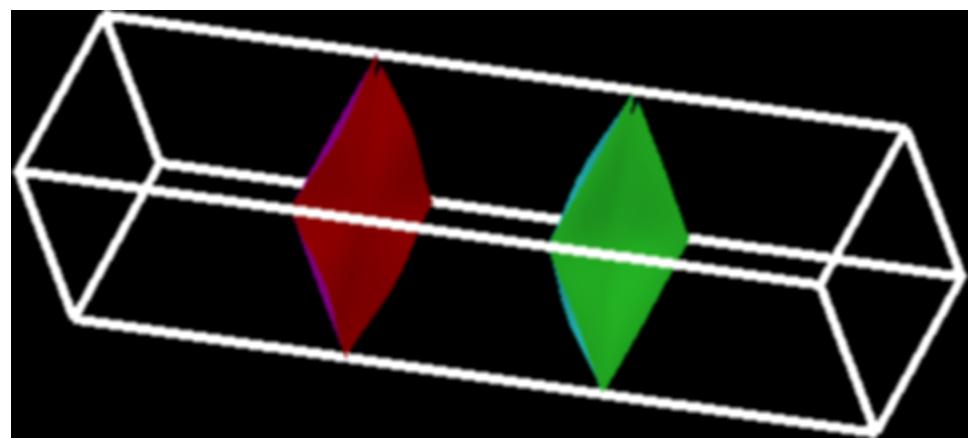
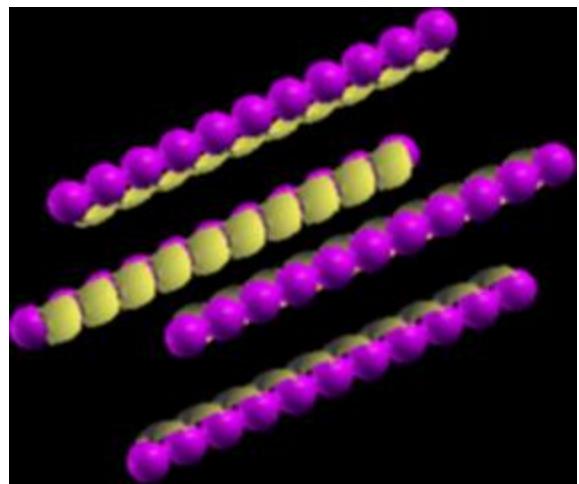
Middal Issues:

- Only small exciton q 's, $v_q > v_r$, couple to the electrons.
- Thus vertex corrections are of order λ^2/θ and we're OK.
- DGL claim this is NOT the case for ABB.
- IMHO, this is an item amenable to numerical analysis.

“3-D” Aluminum







"Not So Famous Danish Kid Brother"



Harald Bohr

Silver Medal, Danish Football Team, 1908 Olympic Games

Almost Periodic Functions

"Electronic Structure of
Disordered Solids and
Almost Periodic
Functions,"

P. M. Grant, BAPS 18, 333
(1973, San Diego)

Definition I: Set of all summable trigonometric series:

$$f(x) = \sum_n A_n e^{i\lambda_n x}$$

where $\{\lambda_n\}$ are denumerable.

Type (1) Purely Periodic: $\lambda_n = cn$, $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

Type (2) Limit Periodic: $\lambda_n = cr_n$, $r_n \in \{\text{rationals}\}$

Type (3) General Case: One or more λ_n irrational

Definition II: Existence of an infinite set of "translation numbers," $\{\tau_\varepsilon\}$, such that:

$$|f(x + \tau_\varepsilon) - f(x)| \leq \varepsilon; -\infty < x < \infty$$

where $\varepsilon \geq 0$.

Parseval's Theorem:

$$\sum_n |A_n|^2 = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L |f(x)|^2 dx$$

Mean Value Theorem:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{i\lambda x} dx = A_n \delta(\lambda - \lambda_n)$$

Example : $f(x) = \cos x + \cos \sqrt{2}x$

Rigid Ion Approximation

$$V(x) \equiv V_a(x) \otimes s(x)$$

$$s(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - x_n)$$

$$x_n = na + b \cos \frac{2\pi n a}{L}$$

$$s(x) = \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} (-i)^{\ell} J_{\ell} \left[2\pi b \left(\frac{m}{a} + \frac{\ell}{L} \right) \right] e^{i 2\pi \left(\frac{m}{a} + \frac{\ell}{L} \right) x}$$

Plane Wave Representation

$$|k\rangle = e^{ikx}$$

$$V(x) = \sum_K U(K) e^{iKx}$$

$$E(k) = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + U(0) + \sum_{K \neq 0} \frac{|U(K)|^2}{\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[k^2 - (k - K)^2 \right]} + \dots$$

$$V(x)=\sum_{n=-N}^NU(n)e^{i\frac{2\pi}{a}r_nx}, \quad r_n \text{ rational}$$

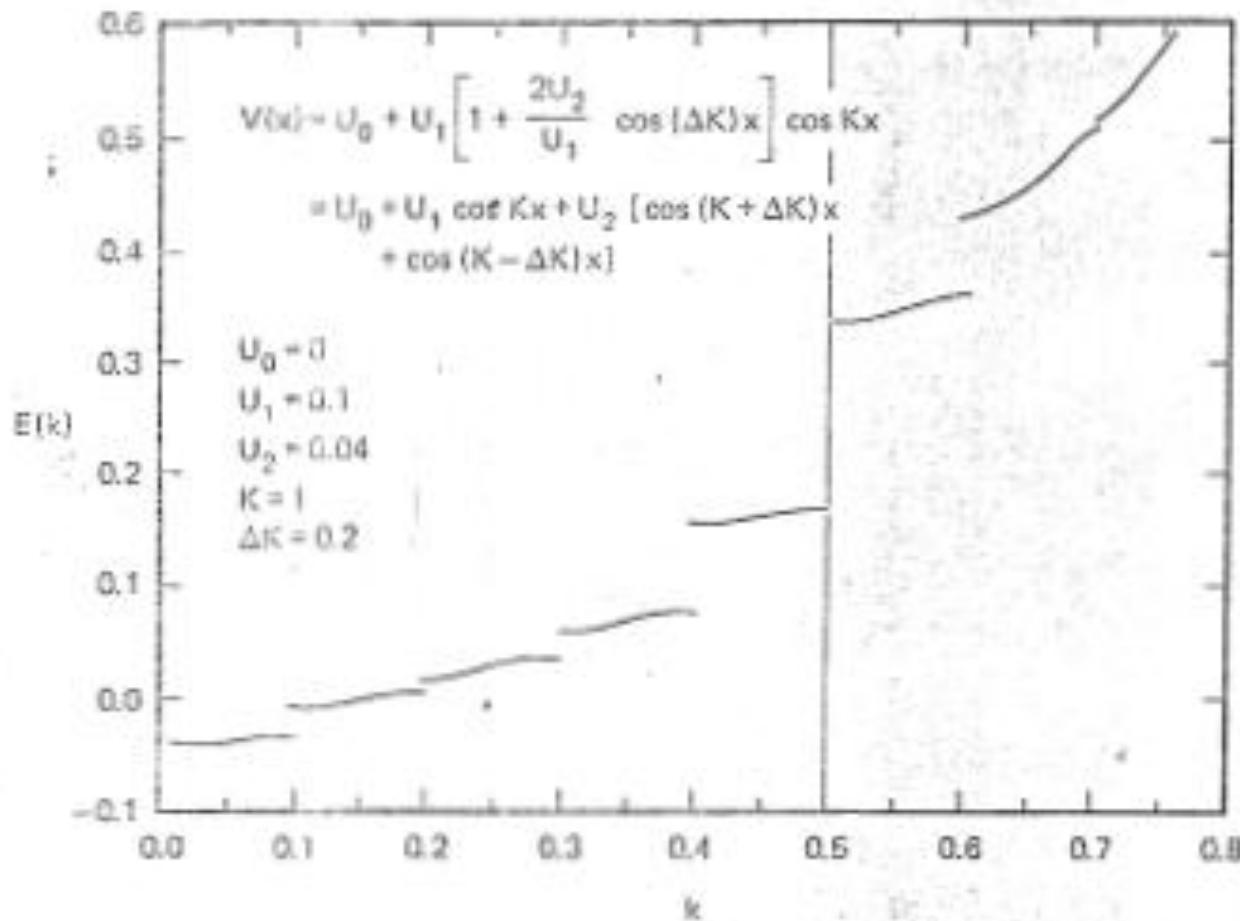
$$\left\{r_n\right\}=\left\{\mu_n/\nu\right\},\;\; \left\{\mu_n\right\}\in I,\;\; \nu=LCD$$

$$\psi_k(x)=\frac{2\pi}{\nu a}\sum_{-\infty}^\infty\chi(n)e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{\nu a}x}e^{ikx},\;\;\{n\}\in I$$

$$\lim_{\nu\rightarrow\infty}\frac{2\pi}{\nu a}\sum_{n=-\infty}^\infty\chi(n)e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{\nu a}x}e^{ikx}\Rightarrow\int\limits_{-\infty}^\infty\chi(k'-k)e^{ik'x}dk'$$

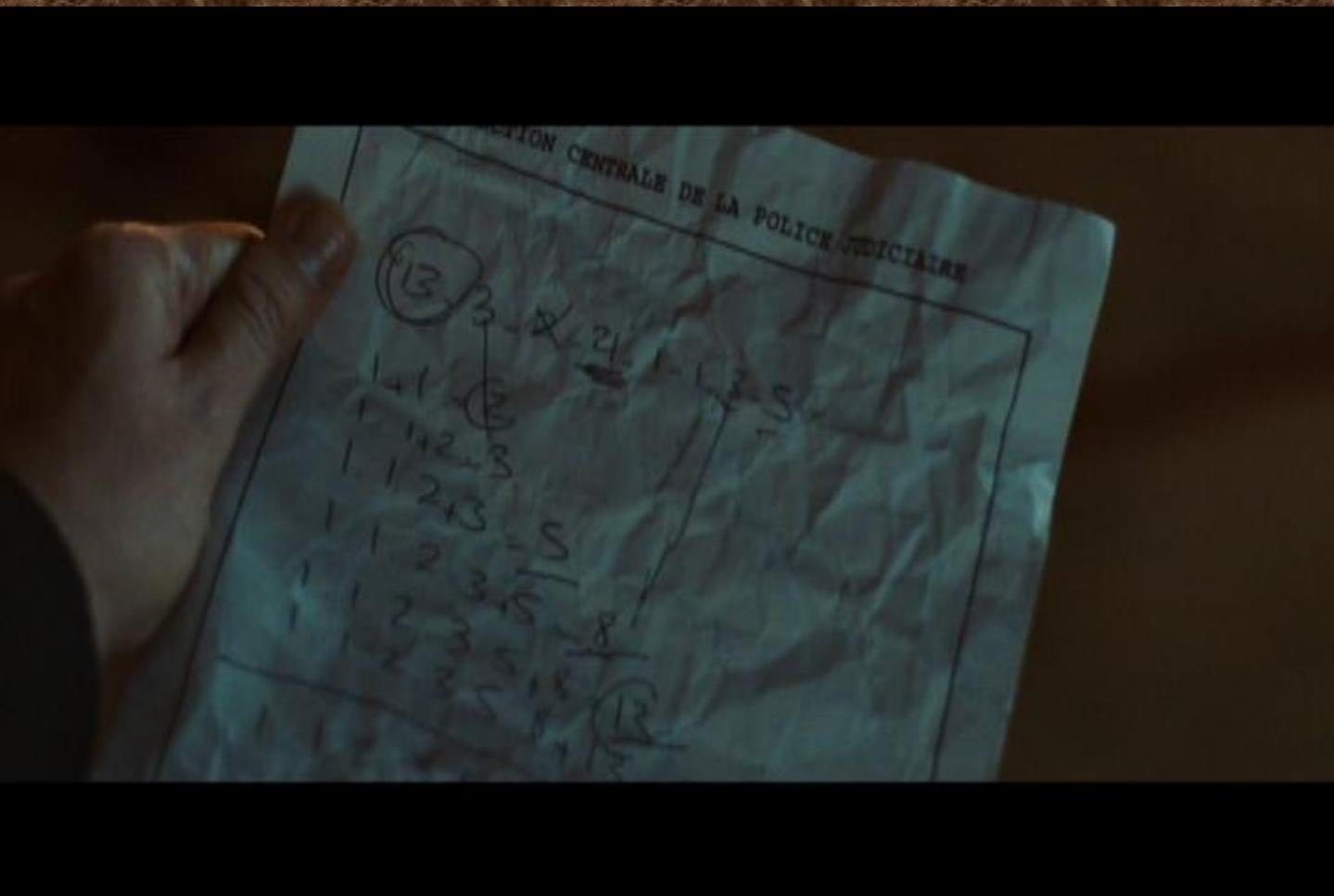
APF “Band Structure”

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Fibonacci Chains

"Monte-Carlo Simulation of Fermions on Quasiperiodic Chains,"

P. M. Grant, **BAPS March Meeting** (1992, Indianapolis)

$$G_n \equiv G_{n-1} | G_{n-2}, \quad n = 3, 4, 5, \dots, \infty$$

Where $G_1 = a$, $G_2 = ab$

And $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N_a(G_n) / N_b(G_n) \equiv \tau = (1 + \sqrt{5}) / 2 \approx 1.618\dots$

Example: $G_6 = abaababaab$ ($N = 13$)

Let $a = c\tau b$, subject to $\langle a, b \rangle$ invariant,

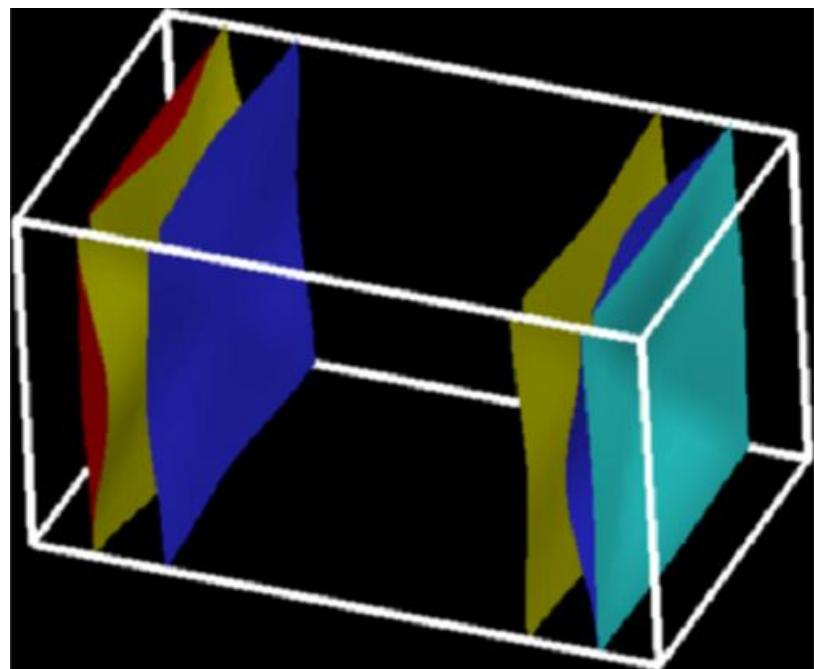
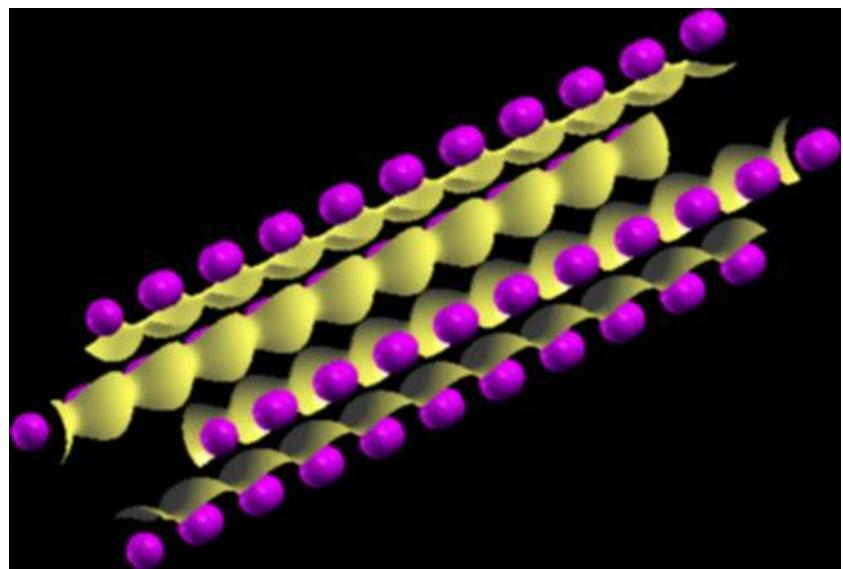
And take a and b

to be "inter-atomic n-n distances,"

Then $b = \tau \langle a, b \rangle / [(1 + c)\tau - 1]$.

Where c is a "scaling" parameter.





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