

# *Vers l'accélérateur diélectrique : module innovant "on-chip" de source d'électrons intégrée a un étage accélérateur laser*

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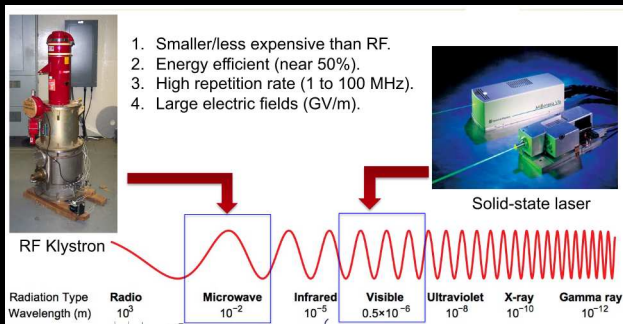
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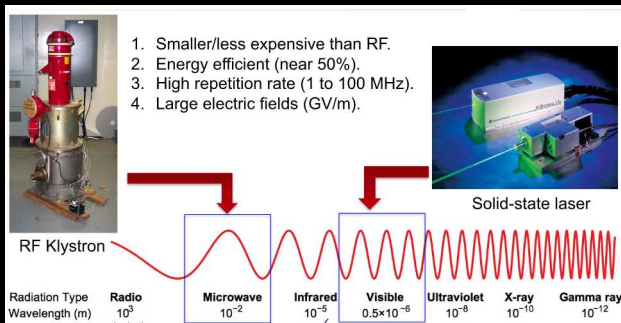
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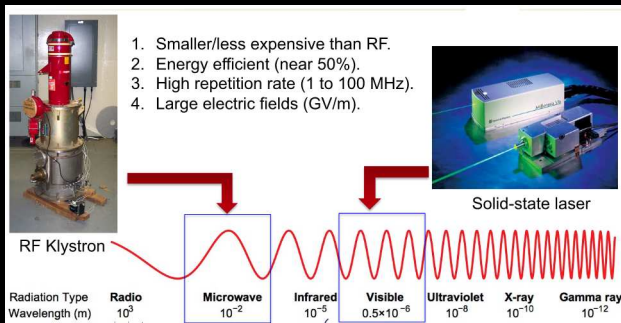
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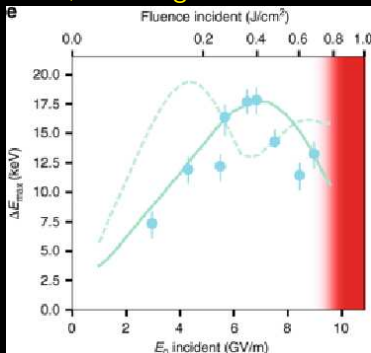


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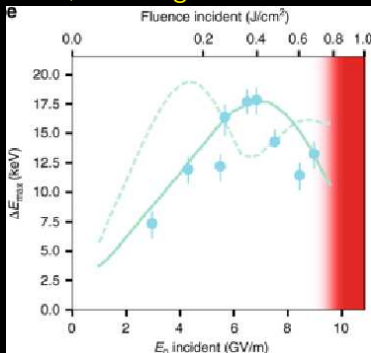


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- Laser intense fields + breakdown strength of dielectric =  
DLAs outperform standard acceleration

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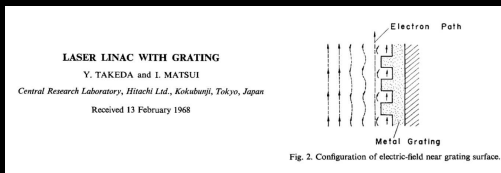
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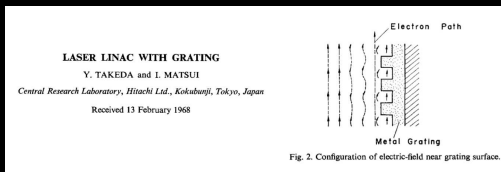
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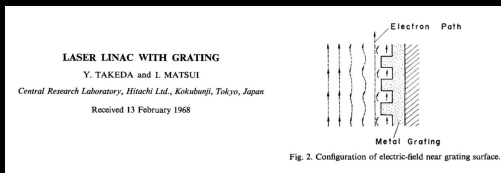
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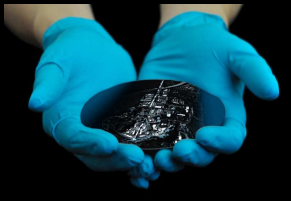
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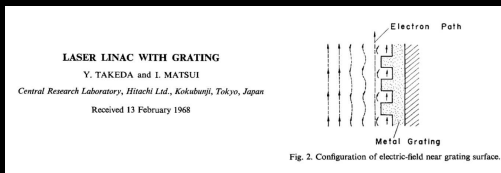
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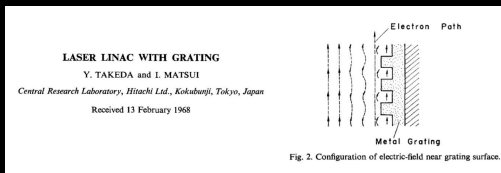
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Then several major improvements : **High fields,**  
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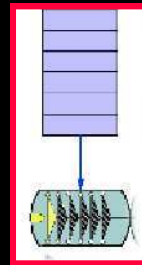
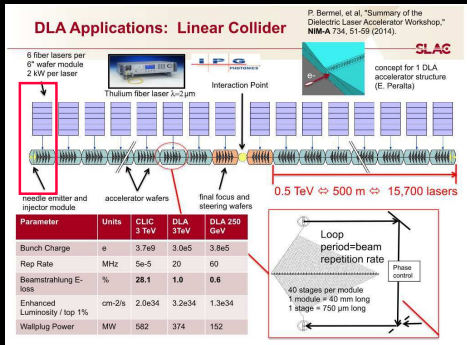


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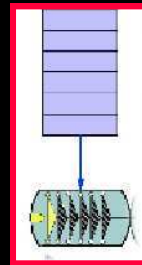
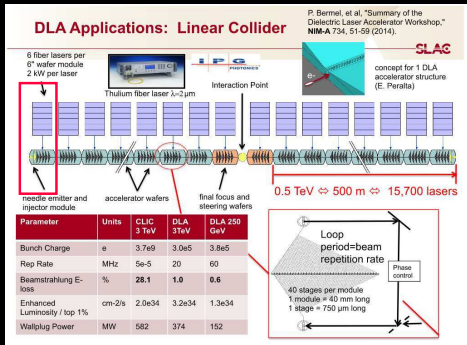


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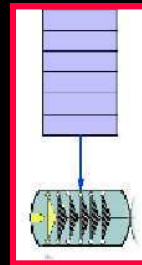
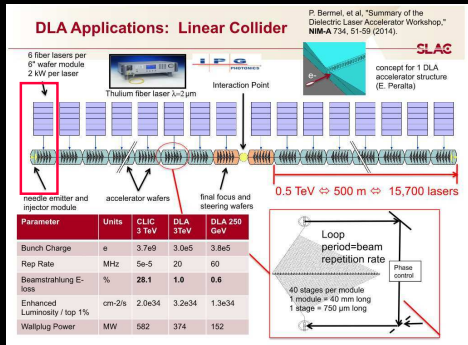


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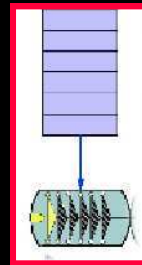
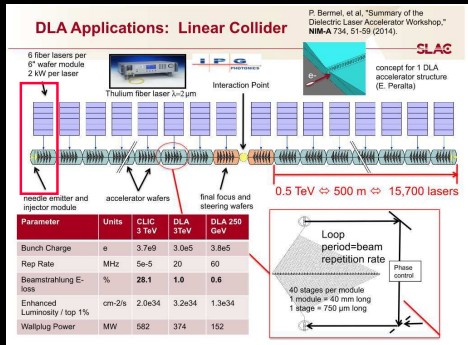


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Parameter	Value	Comment
	<b>CHIP</b>	
Overall length	1mm	
Dielectric	Si(fused), Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> , CaF <sub>2</sub>	
DLA Grating pitch	from 250nm to 2.5μm, more...	$\lambda_{pitch} = m_{harmonic} \beta \lambda$
FEA population	1000	
Beam entrance	< 1μm	
Graphene sheet	single layer	equivalent 1000 emit

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ELECTRON BUNCH		
Charge/bunch	$30e- < Q < 0.1fC$	
PrF of the Burst	$50MHz < PrF < 3GHz$	
Macro Pulses	1kHz	
Initial $E_0$ at first stage	$30 < E_0 < 50keV$	
Energy dispersion $\Delta E_0$		
Emittance (flat beam)	$\sigma_x = 500nRad, \sigma_y = 5nRad$	
Coherencelength <sub>1MeV</sub>		
Polarisation		
Output Energy	$\leq 1MeV$	
Dephasing length	$6\mu m$	Laser $2\mu m, 10GV/m$
Vacuum	$10^{-9} < P < 10^{-6}$	High P with carbon

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	<b>LASER</b>	
Wavelength	$800nm < \lambda < 10\mu m$	visible LEDs, $1.5\mu m$ and
Spot size	$10\mu m$	
Duration FWHM	$3 < FWHM < 100fs$	
PrF	$0.1Hz - 80MHz$	might increase
Pulse Energy	$160nJ$ [Breuer, 2013] – $200\mu J$	might decrease

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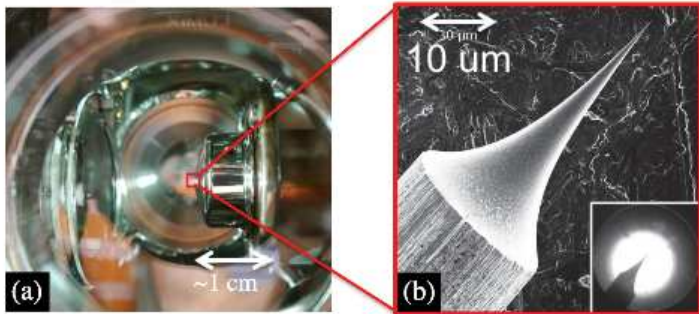
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## First studied FE (Field Emitter)



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FIGURE – First FE

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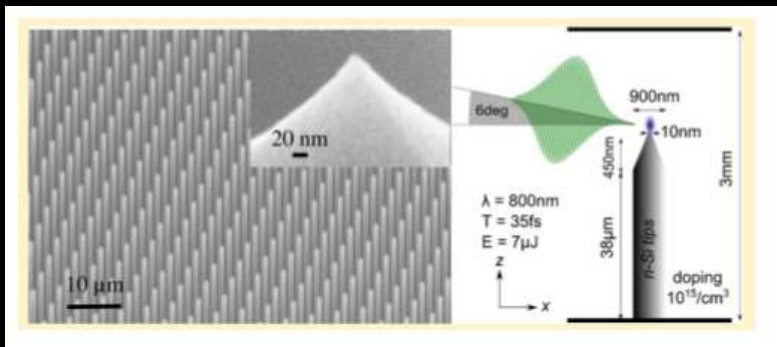


FIGURE – Silicon FEA

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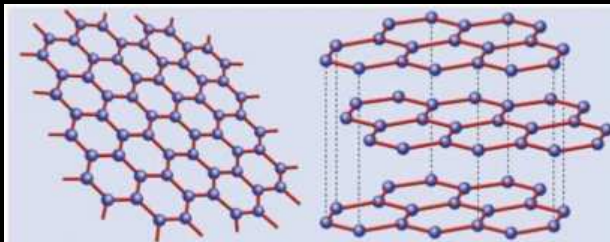


FIGURE – Graphene N-layers, [Novoselov, 2009]

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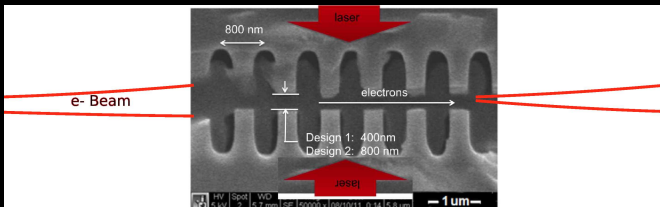


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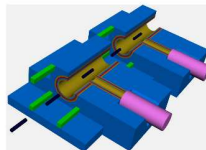
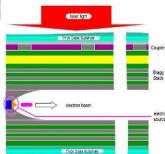
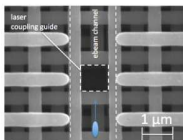
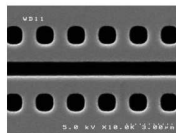
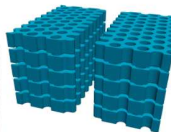
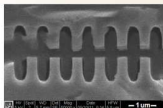
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Other examples

A variety of “dielectric laser-driven accelerators” (DLA) have been proposed...

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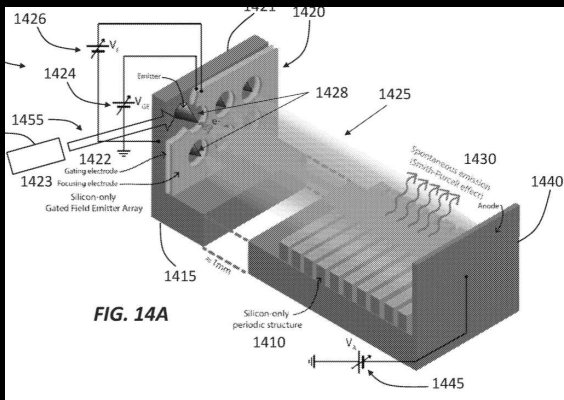


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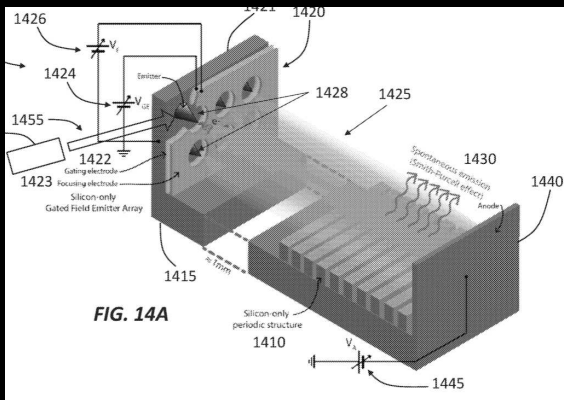


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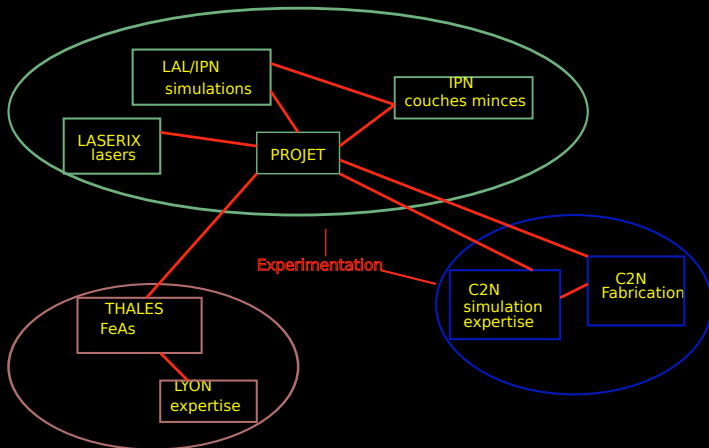
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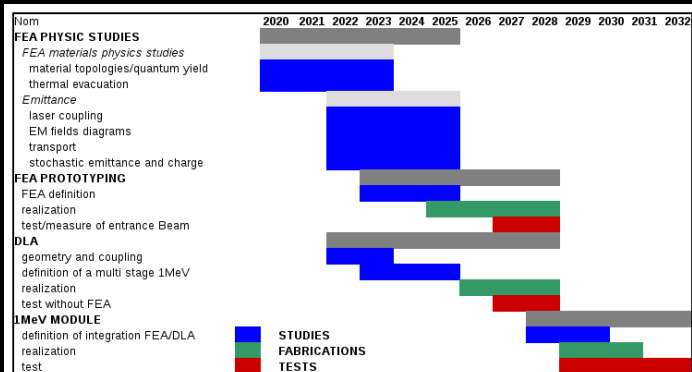
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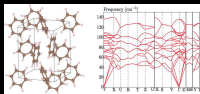


FIGURE – *abinitio*,  
Work function,  $\beta$

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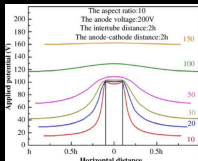


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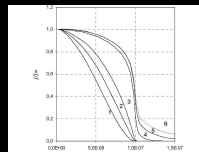


Fig. 3. Electric field strength (a) and field emission current density (b) distributions over the microprotrusion surface at different voltages (Geometric parameters are given in Fig. 1):  
1 - 5 kV,  $E_0 = 1.5 \cdot 10^7$  V/cm,  $j_0 = 1.2 \cdot 10^3$  A/cm<sup>2</sup>; 2 - 15 kV,  $E_0 = 5.6 \cdot 10^7$  V/cm,  $j_0 = 2.7 \cdot 10^3$  A/cm<sup>2</sup>; 3 - 20 kV,  $E_0 = 7.1 \cdot 10^7$  V/cm,  $j_0 = 3.4 \cdot 10^3$  A/cm<sup>2</sup>; 4 - 50 kV,  $E_0 = 10^8$  V/cm,  $j_0 = 6 \cdot 10^3$  A/cm<sup>2</sup>; 5 - 100 kV,  $E_0 = 1.2 \cdot 10^8$  V/cm,  $j_0 = 1.8 \cdot 10^4$  A/cm<sup>2</sup>; 6 - 250 kV,  $E_0 = 1.5 \cdot 10^8$  V/cm,  $j_0 = 6.3 \cdot 10^4$  A/cm<sup>2</sup>.

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Design, diagnostics identified

- 1 SEM, EDS, STEM, Raman Spectroscopy, 2D spectroscopy (seam space)
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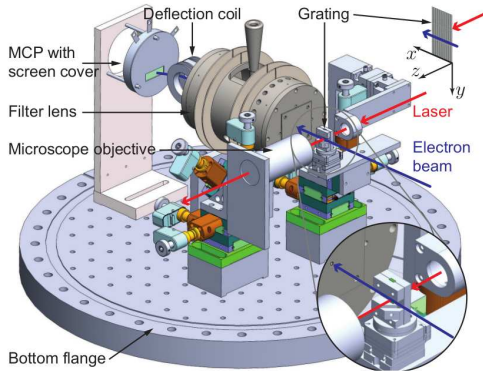


FIGURE – low volume - low equipment investment

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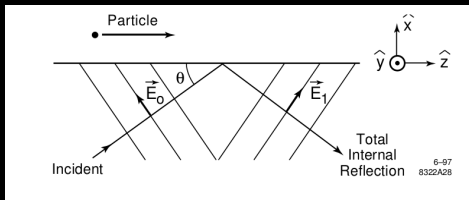


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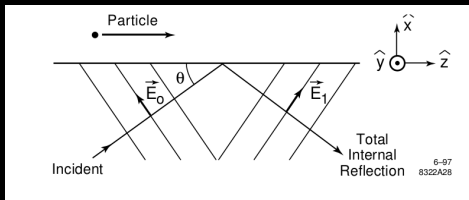


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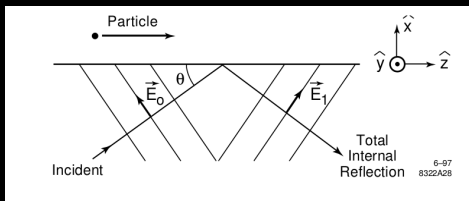


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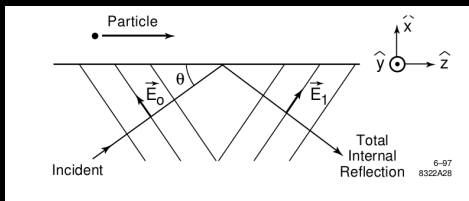


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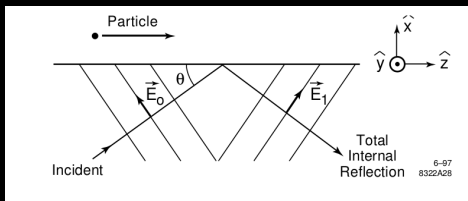


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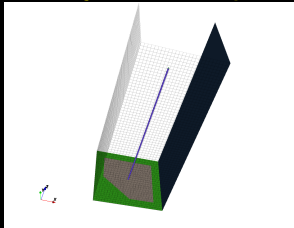


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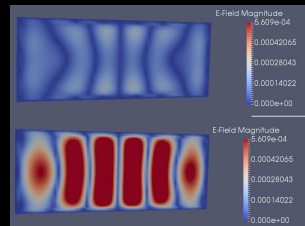


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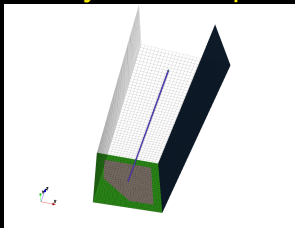


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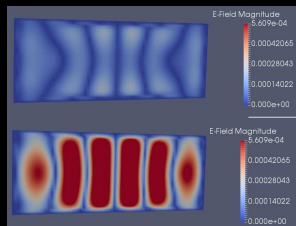


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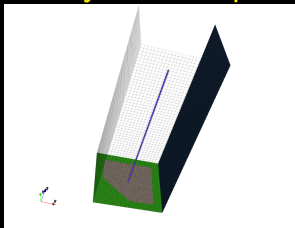


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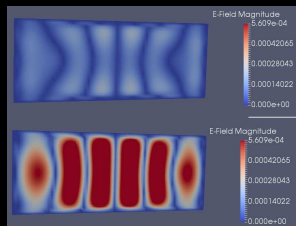


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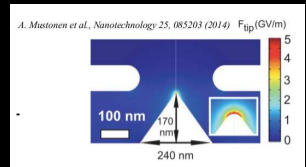


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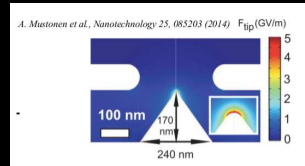


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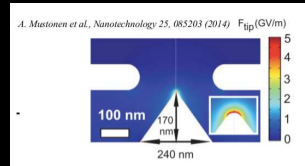


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Graphene is made from the mono(or few properly assembled) atomic layer extracted from graphite. It represents a pure 2D form of an interesting class : »materials with topological charges« ie one can produce artificial graphene with many other tricks. But graphene is a beautiful object for Physics ! Its hexagonal structure reveals 2 sub networks A and B, with basis vectors  $a_1$  and  $b_1$ . Computation gives a band structure of energy levels (pseudo-spin), generated by

$$f(k) = \sum_j e^{k_j R_{ij}} \quad (2)$$

where  $k_{ij}$ ,  $R_{ij}$  are reciprocal vectors ( $kR = 2n\pi$ ) and network vectors. In a quantum description, The band structure is then given by :

$$E = \pm t \sqrt{3 + f(k)} - t' f(k) \text{ solutions of the Hamiltonian}$$

$$H = -t \left( \sum_{ij} (a_{\sigma,i}^\dagger b_{\sigma,j} + cc) \right) + t' \sum (a^\dagger a \dots + cc \dots) \text{ where concretely}$$

$$f(k) = 2\cos(\sqrt{3}k_x a) + 4\cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}k_y a\right)\cos\left(\frac{3}{2}k_x a\right)$$

a, b are creation and annihilation operators for hopping inside from A to B (t), and inside A (t'). We don't take real spin  $\sigma$  in account. Plotting 2D energy surfaces-fig 12 thanks to  $f(k)$ , enlight several contact points,  $K$  and  $K'$ , localized on edges of BZ. They are solutions of  $E_+ = E_-$ . Around these points, the first order energy writes as :  $E \sim v_F q$  where  $k_{Kpts} = K + q$  and  $v_F = 10^6 m/s$ . **It is a signature of a relativistic massless fermion**, indeed, compared with the classical electron form  $E = \frac{k^2}{2m}$ .

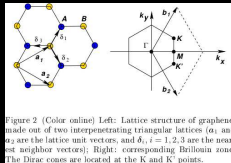


Figure 2 (Color online) Left: Lattice structure of graphene made out of two interpenetrating triangular lattices ( $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are the lattice unit vectors, and  $b_1, i = 1, 2, 3$  are the nearest neighbor vectors); Right: corresponding Brillouin zone. The Dirac cones are located at the K and K' points.

FIGURE – from [Novoselov, 2009]

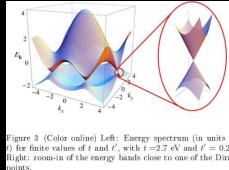


Figure 3 (Color online) Left: Energy spectrum (in units of  $t'$ ) for finite values of  $t$  and  $t'$ , with  $t = 2.7$  eV and  $t' = 0.2t$ . Right: zoom-in of the energy bands close to one of the Dirac points.

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Fourier developpement of operators  $a, b$  near  $K, K'$  lead to hamiltonian formulation :

$$H = -iv_F \sigma \nabla \quad (2)$$

, and 2 spinorial solutions,

$$\psi_{\pm, K} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \pm e^{i\theta_k} \end{pmatrix}$$

and a reverse sign of  $\theta_k$  for  $\psi_{\pm, K'}$ .

Dirac 2D particles are subject to **klein paradox**, ie they could tunnel across a square potential **without loss**. It can be verified with the continuity relations of spinors across potential barrier As  $f(k)$  is not developped along  $z$ , the tunnelling occurs only into  $xOy$ , so particularly at the edges.

We can meet 2 types of edges, zigzag and armchair (fig ??) :

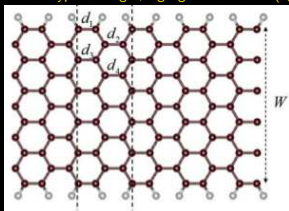


FIGURE – zigzag and armchair edges

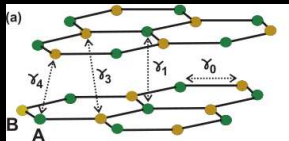


FIGURE – configurations of multi layers of graphene

Field Emission and Laser Photofield capacity at edge depends also on Density of States (DOS), which has an intricate expression. To say it simpler, zigzag edge presents some surface states - armchair should not have it, in present knowledge - and the armchair emission could be much more important than zigzag one. Graphene sheets are also used in 2 configuration, Bernal and orthorombique (fig ??). Depending on the configurations, behaviour of electrons may be -or not- quasi-particle like.

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## Some remarks :

- 1 Field Emission and Photofield will be sensible to DOS and geometrical configuration (edge/armchair,...)
- 2 Emissions will be sensible to the choice of single or multi-layers
- 3 Many variants are possible with that young physics

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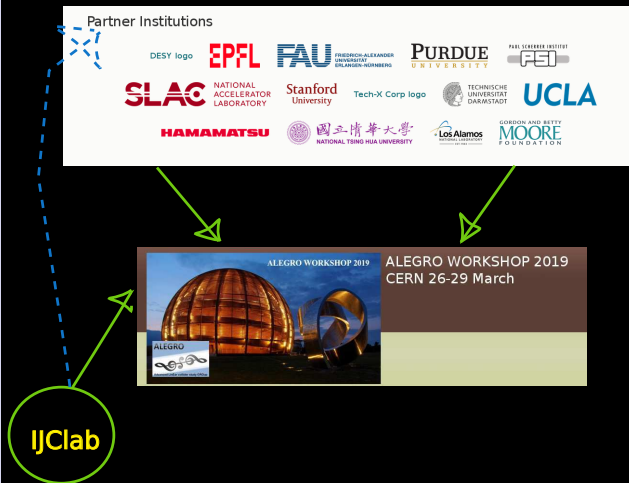


FIGURE – Interest to engage collaboration to ACHIP