

From synthesis to thermodynamics

The interplay of competing crystalline phases and competing electronic phases



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Quantum oscillations in Weyl semi-metals

Quantum oscillatory phenomena from Fermi Arcs

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Synthesis

- What techniques do we use to make these materials?
- Why are some materials difficult to make and other easy?



• The compounds that one can make are generally determined by where the minimum in the free energy occurs, which in turn depends on a balance of the entropy (generally the change in configurational entropy) and the enthalpy (mostly the gain in energy in bonding).



Binary phase diagrams

Fisher/Shapiro/Analytis Philosophical Magazine 2012

Phase diagram of Cd₃As₂



Congruent and incongruent melts

- In many binary phase diagrams more than one solid phase can be made.
- Intermediate phases can be classed as either
 - congruently melting (melt from a homogeneous solid to a homogeneous liquid)
 - incongruently melting (the solid decomposes on heating to a two-phase mixture of solid and liquid where multiple solid phases may be in equilibrium)



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Phase diagram of Na₂CO₃-IrO₂







See Ruiz (Sunday afternoon)

PARTI:

Adiabaticity, Quantum Oscillations and the Berry's phase.





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Integer quantum Hall effect



von Klitzing, Dorda and Pepper, PRL 1980











$\gamma = \gamma(0) - \frac{\gamma_B}{2\pi} \approx 1/2 - \frac{\gamma_B}{2\pi}$

Mikitik and Sharlai PRL 1999, also Laura Roth PRB 1966

Integer quantum Hall effect (graphene) R σ_{xy} (4e²/h) 7/2 5/210 n (1012 cm 3/2Graphene σ_{xy} (4e²/h) 1/2 $\rho_{xx}(k\Omega)$ 5 $\varepsilon_n = \pm v_F \sqrt{2ne\hbar B}$ -3/2 -5/2 $\gamma = 0$ -7/2 -22 0 n (1012 cm-2)

P. Kim & Novoselov/Geim Nature 2005

Landau quantization in a 2D square lattice



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Bulk states

Edge states

By breaking the translation symmetry at the boundary, we immediately get edge states that connect the bulk states

Part II: Fermi arcs and Weyl orbits

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Quantization of semiclassical orbits

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Focused Ion Beam microstructuring Cd₃As₂



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Thickness-dependent quantum oscillatory study in Cd₃As₂



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Note this is approximately the k₀ measured by ARPES

Yi et al. Sci. Rep. 4, 6106 (2014)



Oscillations are 2D



Philip J. W. Moll, JGA et al. arXiv:1505.02817

And grows exponentially with thinness



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Some other, unexpected details



Non-adiabatic corrections in Weyl orbits?



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We get $\alpha \sim 1.2$

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 $\frac{1}{B_n} = \frac{2\pi n}{f_{1/B}} - \frac{e}{k_{\rm arc}}L$

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Observation	Trivial	Weyl
2D QOs	Y	Y
Frequency ~56T	Coincidence	Y
Amplitude exponential with L	Close	Y
Onset at L=2 <i>l</i>	Coincidence	Y
Parallel surface required	N	Y
Field dependent phase.	Unphysical	Y
Saturation field B*	N	N (not yet)







(Ong group, Science '15)



STM on Cd₃As₂ (Yazdani group, Nat. Mat. '14)



Amplitude onsets at L~2l (Knudsen effect)



Mass corrections in TI surface states?

- Seen in Rashba systems (BiTel) and TIs
- But....
 - 1. the effect seems to go in the wrong direction
 - The g-factor required is 300 (10x anything measured in these compounds)



Analytis et al Nature Physics 2010

Transport and Focused Ion Beam microstructuring

FIB devices

A new 2D quantum oscillation

What about trivial surface states?

Exponential dependence on thickness Onset at L=2lambda

Non-adiabatic corrections

Triangular vs parallel plate device