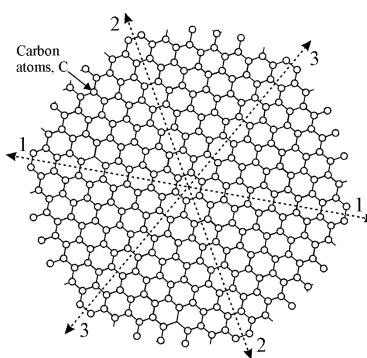
Anisotropy of Unstrained Pristine Graphene

(Discovery claimed in the application for a patent EP2401764 Priority date 24.02.2009)

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Conventional viewpoint on basic properties of Graphene



* [Robert E. Newnham, Properties of Materials: Anisotropy, Symmetry, Structure; Oxford University Press, 2005]

Graphene is an allotrope of carbon in the form of a two-dimensional hexagonal lattice.

Point group D6h, space group P6/mmm

- One atom forms each node of the lattice.
- sp² hybridized orbitals are responsible for the bond of carbon atoms in the lattice.
- The lattice has <u>6-Fold</u> rotational symmetry.
 Hence,

in full agreement with the basic symmetry theory*, all properties, including electronic conductivity, along the <u>crystallographically identical</u> directions 1-1, 2-2, 3-3 (indicated here) <u>must be equal</u>.

However, our studies show that it is not true

Conventional view

is based (1) on an idea about the atom as having a superdense tiny nucleus and (2) on an idea about the electron configuration which is considered as responsible for interatomic bonds and, hence, for the structure of substances.

This is described within the Standard Model in Quantum Mechanics (QM) and Quantum Chemistry (QC).

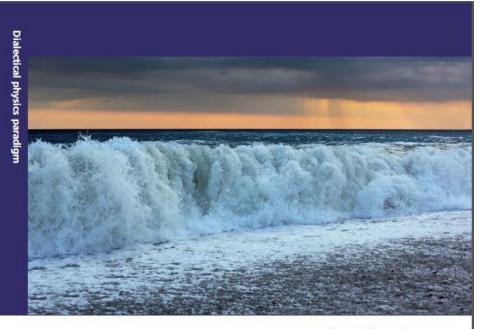
Whether these ideas are consistent with reality?

We have solid evidence to doubt in that. To the present we provided more than enough arguments proving fallibility of the QM and QC and their notions.

You can make sure in it, if have a look at the publications as, for example, listed below:

- L. Kreidik and G. Shpenkov, "Important Results of Analyzing Foundations of Quantum Mechanics", Galilean Electrodynamics & QED-East, Special Issues 2, 13, 23-30, (2002); http://shpenkov.com/pdf/QM-Analysis.pdf
- G. Shpenkov and L. Kreidik, "Schrodinger's Errors of Principle", Galilean Electrodynamics, 3, 16, 51-56, (2005); http://shpenkov.com/pdf/blunders.pdf
- G. P. Shpenkov, "Conceptual Unfoundedness of Hybridization and the Nature of the Spherical Harmonics", Hadronic Journal, Vol. 29. No. 4, p. 455, (2006); http://shpenkov.com/pdf/hybridizationshpenkov.pdf
- G. P. Shpenkov, "Some Words about Fundamental Problems of Physics: Constructive Analysis", LAMBERT Academic Publishing, p.116 (2012); http://shpenkov.com/pdf/Book-2011-Eng.pdf

The actual situation in theoretical physics is so hopeless that there is an exceptional need in alternative theories that could take it out of stagnation. The present book offers the first real alternative to the bankrupt Standard Model. Basing on his long experience, the author has come to the conclusion that the current theoretical physics paradigm is erroneous and, therefore, must be changed. He has developed the Wave Model, physical, as an alternative to the abstract-mathematical Standard Model. The book differs by novel ideas. Along with the fair criticism, for all issues addressed in the book, clear solutions are presented. They were obtained on the basis of a new physics paradigm adequate to reality. In the literature on physics there is not a constructive analysis of fundamental problems of physics presented with such a manner as it is done in this book. Distinguishing features of the book are the breadth of issues covered by the analysis, its complexity and comprehensiveness, brevity and the use of simple and straightforward language. For this reason, the book will useful for all physicists, theorists and experimentalists, specialized in different branches of physics.



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Some words about fundamental problems of physics

Constructive analysis



Comprehensive analysis of basic concepts of modern theoretical physics is presented in this book written in a concise and clear form. It is shown that the abstract-mathematical method dominated in theories of the Standard Model is erroneous and, therefore, dead-ended. The author proposes the real way to out of this situation.



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For many years research we were developing a

New Physics theory,

which could <u>solve the problems</u> unsolvable in principle within the modern Standard Model (SM), even improved by String theories.

As a result we have created such a theory and called it the

Wave Model (WM)

It includes **Dynamic Model** of elementary particles and **Shell-Nodal** atomic model

New concepts,

formed in the WM on the basis of the discoveries,

about the structure of atoms and their compounds, and on the formation of intra- and interatomic bonds,

differ greatly

from the corresponding concepts of the SM

It turned out that

Atoms

(except of one-nucleon hydrogen ¹₁H) are the

elementary nucleon molecules

(without superdense tiny nuclei in their centres and in the centres of nucleons)

As a consequence of so fundamental discovery, we have come to a series of other discoveries. In particular, we found that

a two-dimensional hexagonal lattice of

Graphene,

made of the carbon elementary nucleon molecules ("atoms")

(having a unique molecular structure inherent just for carbon),

is

anisotropic

and has a

two-fold rotational symmetry

The Wave Model*

uses

I. Dialectical logic,

Unlike formal logic used by modern physics theories;

and is based on the <u>axiom</u> about

II. The wave nature of all phenomena and objects in the Universe.

- This is one the <u>only axiom</u> lying in the foundation of the WM, and no postulates are used in the WM.
- While in the foundation of modern physics theories, there are several dozen of abstract-mathematical (fictional) <u>postulates</u>. The latter is the main reason of all the problems faced the Standard Model.

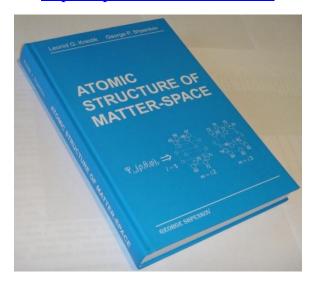
Revising the existent doubtful theoretical constructions, the Wave Model already resolved some of the problems unsolvable in principle within the SM.

*[L. G. Kreidik and G. P. Shpenkov, *Atomic Structure of Matter-Space*, Geo. S., Bydgoszcz, 2001, 584 p.; http://shpenkov.com/atom.html]

The Wave Model is described in detail in the book and lectures:

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A new physics paradigm, lying in the base of the WM, led to a whole series of key discoveries collected in the Comparative Table*

*[G. P. Shpenkov, "Conclusion" in "Some Words about Fundamental Problems of Physics: Constructive Analysis", LAMBERT Academic Publishing, p.70-78 (2012)] http://shpenkov.com/pdf/Conclusion-Eng.pdf

Major milestones

on the way to the discovery of

Elementary Nucleon Molecules, i.e., the Shell-Nodal structure of the "atoms"

and, as an effect, the discovery of

Natural anisotropy inherent to the hexagonal lattice of graphene

We took for granted that the **structure of atoms**, as all matter-space **having** (in accordance with the basic axiom of the WM) **the wave nature**, **must be described** by well-developed methods of the physics of waves and, in particular, by the

universal ("classical") wave equation

$$\left| \Delta \hat{\Psi} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\Psi}}{\partial t^2} = 0 \right| \tag{1}$$

Eq. (1) admits a **particular solution** of the form

$$\hat{\Psi}(\rho, \theta, \phi; t) = \hat{\psi}(\rho, \theta, \phi)e^{\pm i\omega t}$$
(2)

which describes, as is well-known, standing waves in spherical space.

The **spatial component** in (2)

$$\hat{\Psi}(\rho, \theta, \varphi) = A\hat{R}_{l}(\rho)\Theta_{l,m}(\theta)\hat{\Phi}_{m}(\varphi)$$
(3)

is a particular solution of the **time-independent form** of Eq. (1):

$$\Delta \hat{\mathbf{\psi}} + k^2 \hat{\mathbf{\psi}} = 0 \tag{4}$$

(called the **Helmholtz equation**).

The solution (3) defines:

The nodal structure of standing waves in spherical space

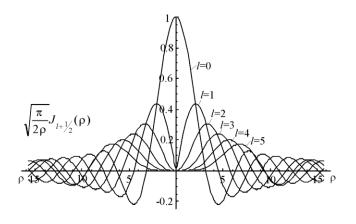
and, as we discovered, **defines also** the

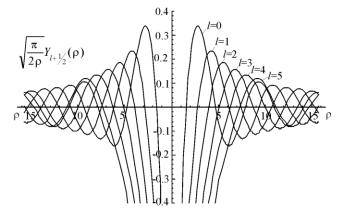
Shell-Nodal structure of the atoms which proven to be the

Elementary Nucleon Molecules!

The wave vector $k = \omega_e/c$ is the constant. $\omega_e = 1.869162559 \times 10^{18} \, s^{-1}$ is the **fundamental frequency** of the **atomic** and **subatomic** levels; $\rho = kr$

Radial component $\hat{R}_l(\rho)$ of the solution $\hat{\psi} = A\hat{R}_l(\rho)\Theta_{l,m}(\theta)\hat{\Phi}_m(\phi)$





has the form:

$$\hat{R}_{l}(\rho) = A\sqrt{\pi/2\rho} \left(J_{l+\frac{1}{2}}(\rho) \pm i Y_{l+\frac{1}{2}}(\rho) \right)$$

A is the constant factor;

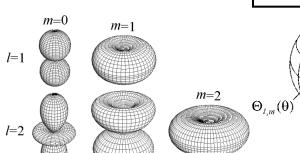
$$l = 0, 1, 2, ...;$$
 $m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ..., \pm l$

Solutions of $\hat{R}_l(\rho)$ are **roots** $\mathcal{Z}_{\nu,q}$ (zeros and extremal values) of **Bessel functions** J and Y, where $\nu = l + 1/2$ is the order of the functions , q is the number of the zero or extremum.

 $\hat{R}_l(\rho)$ defines the radii r of characteristic wave shells, potential and kinetic on which are nodes and antinodes, respectively : $\rho_{v,q}=z_{v,q}=kr_{v,q}$, $k=\omega_e/c$.

Graphs of the polar functions

$$\left|\Theta_{l,m}(\theta)\right| = C_{l,m} \cdot P_{l,m}(\cos\theta)$$



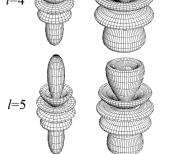
$$P_{l,m}(\cos\theta) = \frac{\sin^m \theta}{2^l l!} \frac{d^{l+m}}{d(\cos\theta)^{l+m}} (\cos^2 \theta - 1)^l$$

The adjoined Legendre functions

Polar functions $\Theta_{l,m}(\theta)$ define characteristic parallels of the disposition of zeros (nodes) and extremes (antinodes) on the radial wave spherical shells.

Important notice!

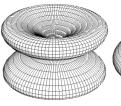
These functions have nothing in common with electron orbitals. The notion of electron orbitals was coined and attributed arbitrarily (unfoundedly, subjectively) to some of the functions $\Theta_{l,m}(\theta)$ (at l=1 and l=2), and to the spatial figures formed at the rotation of their sections, and combinations thereof by the founders of quantum mechanics.



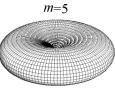




m=3



m=4



Graphs

of the polar-azimuthal functions

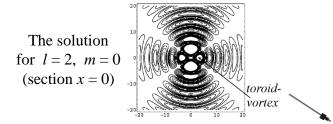
$$\left|Y_{l,m}(\theta,\varphi)_p = \left|\Theta_{l,m}(\theta)Cosm\varphi\right|\right|$$

m=1(potential component) m=2Functions $Y_{l,m}(\theta, \varphi)_p$ define the spatial <u>angular</u> coordinates of the nodes of standing spherical waves (and toroidal vortices-rings) on the corresponding radial wave shells. m=3 $R_{l}(\rho)$ $\Phi_m(\varphi)$ $-Y_{lm}(\theta, \varphi) =$ m=4 $\Theta_{lm}(\theta)\Phi_{m}(\varphi)$ $\Theta_{lm}(\theta)$ m=5

The nodal structure of standing waves in spherical space

The particular solution ψ_p of the wave equation (1):

 Ψ_p is the potential component of $\hat{\Psi}$ α is an initial phase of the azimuth state l=0,1,2,... $m=0,\pm 1,\pm 2,...,\pm l$

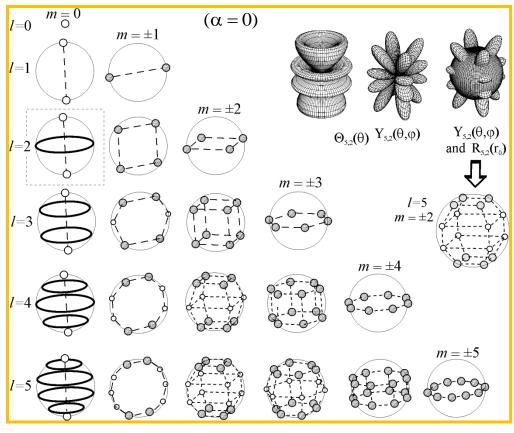


This presentation of the solution (unknown earlier in physics) that we first made in 1980th became key. Just this image Led us during lengthy comprehensive studies (the results of which were first published in 1996 [1]) to a fundamental discovery that this solution also defines the true structure of the atoms which really are the Elementary Nucleon

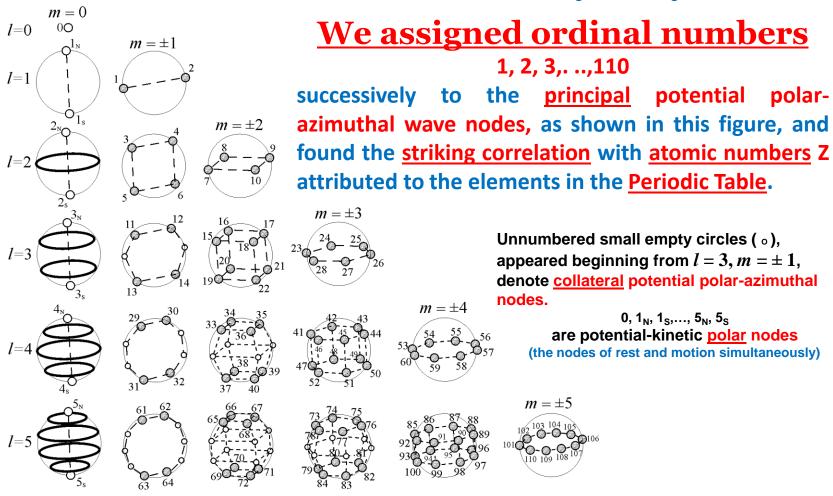
Molecules

 $\psi_p = A \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\rho}} J_{l+\frac{1}{2}}(\rho) \Theta_{l,m}(\theta) Cos(m\varphi + \alpha)$

Shells (*l*) and subshells (*m*)



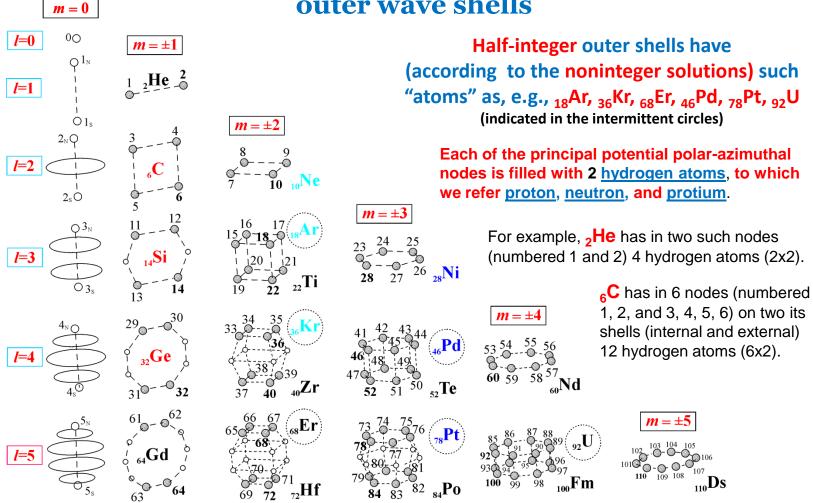
How we unraveled this mystery?



Analyzing further characteristic features of the solutions, presented in this way with the numbered nodes, we made sure, ultimately, that they really give us information about the true structure (shell-nodal) of the "atoms" which, in fact, are the elementary nucleon molecules [1, 2].

Elementary nucleon molecules

("atoms") having the fully completed and half-completed outer wave shells



Noninteger solutions

$$l = m = s / 2, s \in \mathbb{N},$$

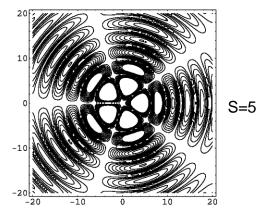
correspond to intermediate states. They define uncompleted external shells and subshells: half-filled (shown above) and partially filled, such as the shells of ₃Li, ₄Be, ₅B or ₇N, ₈O, ₉F, etc.

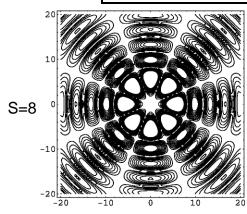
$$\hat{\psi} = A \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\rho}} \left(J_{\frac{s}{2} + \frac{1}{2}}(\rho) \pm i Y_{\frac{s}{2} + \frac{1}{2}}(\rho) \right) \sin^{\frac{s}{2}} \theta (\cos \frac{s}{2} \phi \pm i \sin \frac{s}{2} \phi)$$

Zeros and extremes of the **noninteger solutions** (nodes and antinodes) are in the equatorial plane (z=0); they have any-fold symmetry, including forbidden by mathematical laws of crystallography. Here are two examples.

Contour plots of the sections for the potential $\left| \frac{J_{\frac{s_2+\frac{1}{2}}}(\rho)}{J_{\frac{s_2+\frac{1}{2}}}} \sin^{\frac{s_2}{2}} \theta \cos(\frac{s}{2}\phi) \right|$ component of the solutions, determined by the function

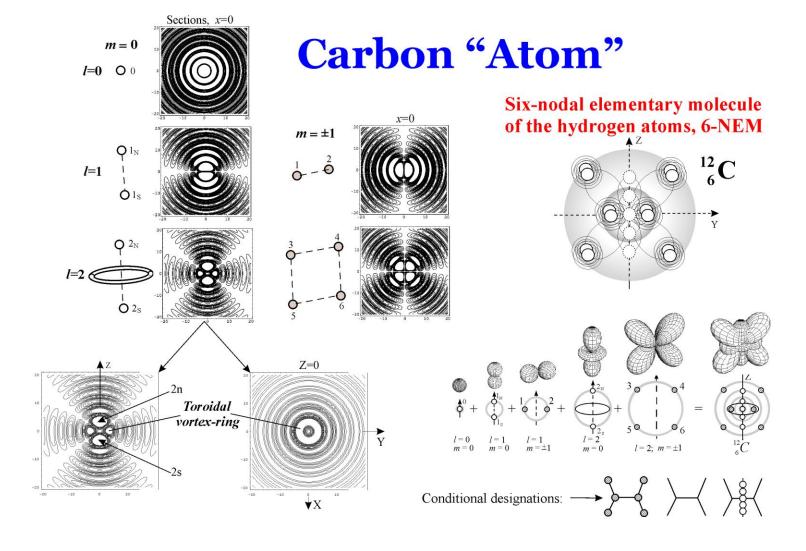
$$\frac{J_{\frac{s_2+\frac{1}{2}}{2}}(\rho)}{\sqrt{\rho}}\sin^{\frac{s_2}{2}}\theta\cos(\frac{s}{2}\phi)$$





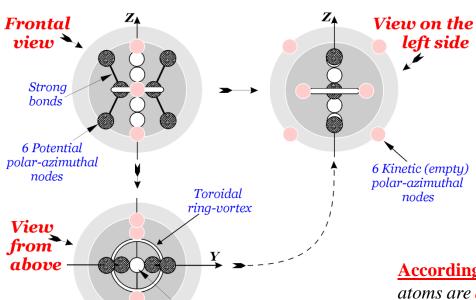
An equatorial distribution of the nodes of the five- and eight-fold symmetries

Shell-Nodal Structure of the Carbon Elementary Nucleon Molecule



Carbon Elementary

Nucleon Molecule (carbon "atom") 6C



5 Potential-kinetic polar nodes

Potential and kinetic polar-azimuthal nodes are shifted relatively each other in radial direction, and lie in the planes, differing in phase by $\phi=\pi/2$

Fundamental frequency and the **fundamental wave radius** of the atomic and subatomic levels:

$$\omega_e = 1.869162559 \times 10^{18} \, s^{-1}$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_e = \frac{c}{\omega_e} = 1.603886492 \times 10^{-8} \, cm$$

According to the WM, all elementary particles and atoms are dynamic spherical formations pulsating and interacting at the frequency ω_e discovered in the WM (along with ω_e and E_B).

Binding energy of the nodes in ${}^{12}_{6}C^{-4}$, calculated by

the formula
$$E_B=\omega_e^2\, {m_1 m_2\over 8\pi\,\epsilon_0 r}$$
 , is $E_{C,ion}=92.349...{
m MeV}$

 $\omega_e m_2 = q_1$ and $\omega_e m_1 = q_1$ are exchange charges of interacting nucleons; $\varepsilon_0 = 1 g \cdot cm^{-3}$ is the absolute unit density

Fundamental frequency and the **fundamental wave radius** of the gravitational level:

$$\omega_g = 9.158082264 \times 10^{-4} \, s^{-1}$$

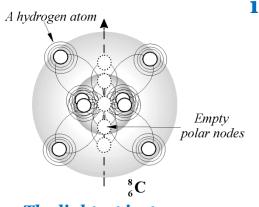
$$\hat{\lambda}_g = \frac{c}{\omega_g} = 327.4 \times 10^6 \, km$$

Thanks to the WM, the next mystery,

The nature of origin and the structure of all "atomic" isotopes,

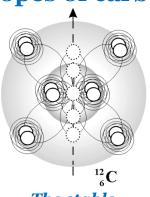
was, at last, also unravelled.

The stable and two limit short-lived isotopes of carbon*

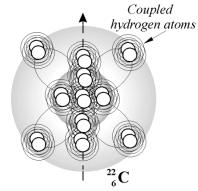


The lightest isotope

(The least stable isotope with a half-life of $2.0 \times 10^{-21} \text{ s}$)



The stable isotope



The heaviest isotope (A half-life of $6.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}$)

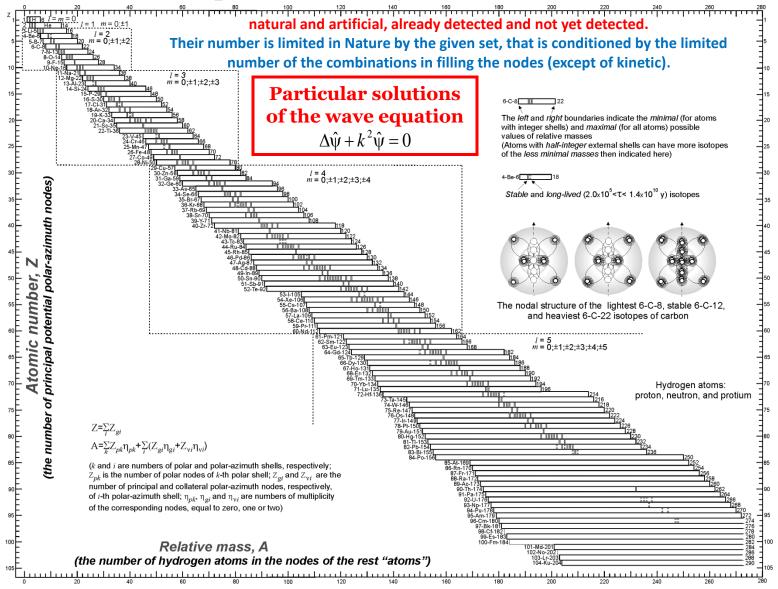
[G. P. Shpenkov, *Physics and Chemistry of Carbon in the Light of Shell-Nodal Atomic Model*, Chapter 12 in "*Quantum Frontiers of Atoms and Molecules*", edited by Putz M. V., NOVA SCIENCE PUBLISHERS, NY, 277-323, 2011]

This is another in a series of the discoveries

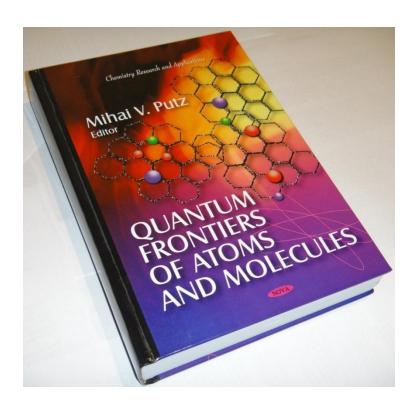
following from the fundamental discovery (the shell-nodal structure of the "atoms") and, thereby, directly confirming reality of the latter

The Complete Set of "Atomic" Isotopes

(Isotopes of elementary nucleon molecules)

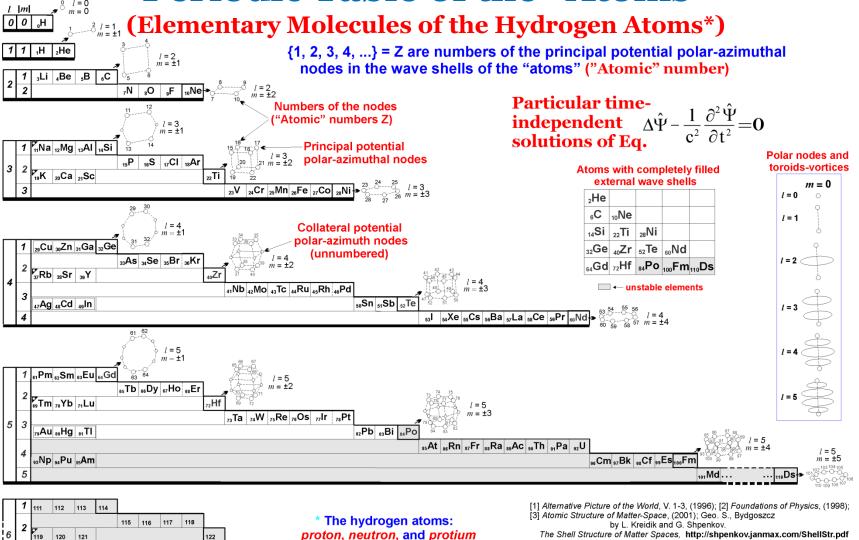


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A colour variant of the **Table of Isotopes** of 2001 is available online at **http://shpenkov.com/pdf/isotopes.pdf**

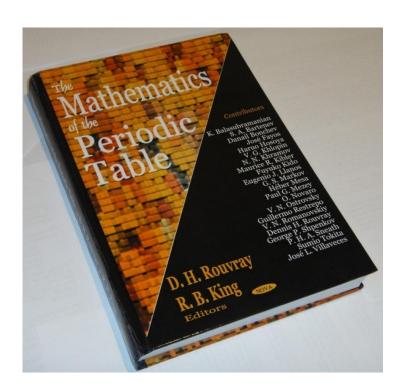
Periodic Table of the "Atoms"



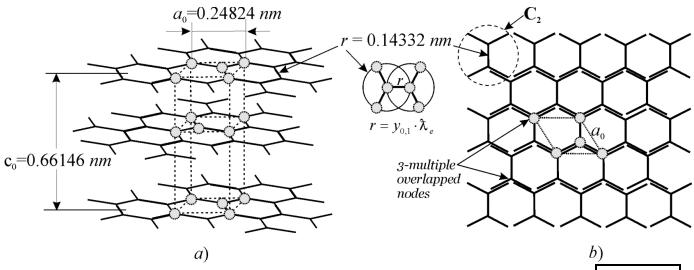
Thanks to the solutions, it is revealed now the primordial true cause of the observable similarity in properties of the elements, first generalized and established by D. I. Mendeleev for chemical properties as the Law of Periodicity.

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A unit cell and the structure of graphite and its single atomic layer – graphene



According to the WM, the bonds length in graphite is defined by the product $r = y_{0,1} \cdot \hat{\lambda}_e$, where $y_{0,1}$ is the root of Bessel functions [3] $(y_{0,1}=0.89357697)$ and $\hat{\lambda}_e = \omega_e / c = 1.603886538 \cdot 10^{-8}$ cm

$$n = (1\frac{1}{6} \times 2 + 1\frac{2}{3}) = 4 \text{ nodes per unit cell}, \quad V = n \cdot 12.0107 \cdot m_u / \rho = 35.29953318 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^3, \\ m_u = 1.660539040 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ g}, \quad \rho = 2.26 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}, \quad a_0 = \sqrt{3}r, \quad c_0 = V \cdot 2 / a_0^2 \sqrt{3} = 6.614634572 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$$

Lattice constants a_0 and c_0 , calculated as shown here, are close to the lattice constants of graphite (at 300 K) known from the literature. The calculation data correspond to graphite consisting of <u>carbon dimers</u> C_2 having the shell-nodal structure.

Thus, we have come to the conclusion that the "building blocks" of graphite and, hence, graphene are carbon dimers C_2 .

Precise calculations of atomic positions and the length of interatomic bonds

are based on an **iterative method:** by **comparison** and **fitting** of measured intensities of a reflected beam with calculated, **taking into account Rutherford-Bohr's nuclear model of atoms**, so as long as will not be achieved an adequate correspondence of two sets of the values.

In accordance with the WM, we should take into account, at the iteration, the **shell-nodal** (molecule-like) **atomic model**.

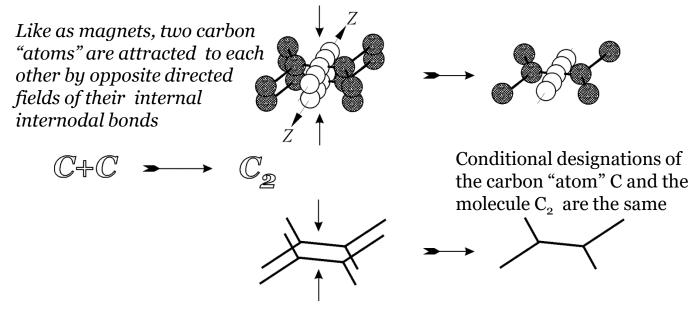
Under this condition, calculation results of **lattice constants** for graphite will coincide practically with the known data, within the error limits, if only we will take **the dimer** (C_2) **of carbon elementary nucleon molecule** as an elementary "building block" of graphite, but not the elementary molecule (C) (i.e. **not the carbon "atom"**).

This conclusion relates also to various other carbon compounds.

(In further discussion, we will adhere of this)

Schematic showing the formation of the C₂ molecule

C₂ is forming by overlapping, "confluence", of all approaching nodes (and toroidal rings-vortex, not shown here) of two carbon nucleon molecules ("atoms") in the unit whole.



In [H. C. Shih, et al., Diamond and Related Materials, 2, 531 (1993)],

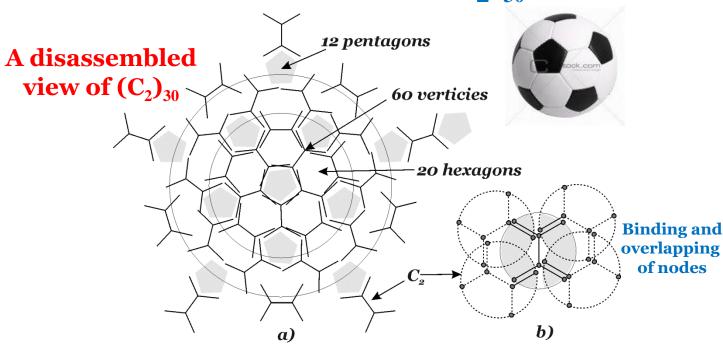
"...the C_2 radical was considered to be responsible for the formation of graphite"

In accordance with the WM,

Buckminsterfullerene (C₆₀)

is formed of 30 carbon dimers C₂

and has the formula $(C_2)_{30}$



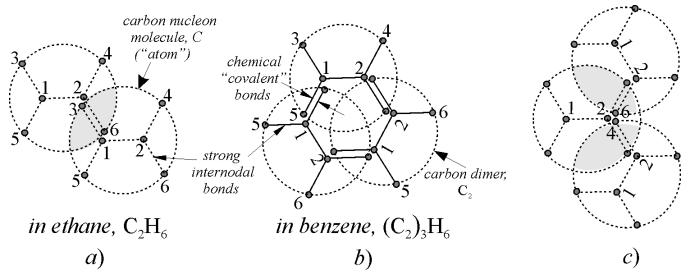
"Carbon Dimer (C_2) is in fact the major observable product of C_{60} fragmentation. Being a very effective growth species, it can rapidly incorporate into the diamond lattice leading to high-film growth rates"*.

*[D. M. Gruen, et al., *Turning Soot Into Diamonds With Microwaves*, Proceedings of the 29th Microwave Power Symposium, Chicago, Illinois, July 25-27, 1994]

A scheme showing

How chemical ("covalent") C-C bonds are formed

in hydrocarbon compounds



Two-multiple (a, b) and three-multiple (c) overlapping of polar-azimuthal nodes, external with internal, belonging to joined carbon nucleon molecules, single or dimmers.

Chemical "covalent" bonds are realized along the lines of strong internodal bindings (existing between external and internal nodes) each of the joined "atoms" (a) or dimers (b). Electrons play the secondary role because they define only the strength of the bonds.

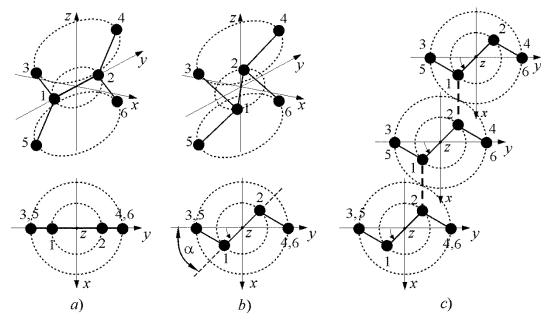
A schematic picture of self-binding (assembling) of 2D carbon compounds

The structure of C-C bonds

in typical hydrocarbon compounds*

*[G. P. Shpenkov, *The Role of Electrons in Chemical Bonds Formations* (*In the Light of Shell-Nodal Atomic Model*), Molecular Physics Reports 41, 89-103, (2005)]

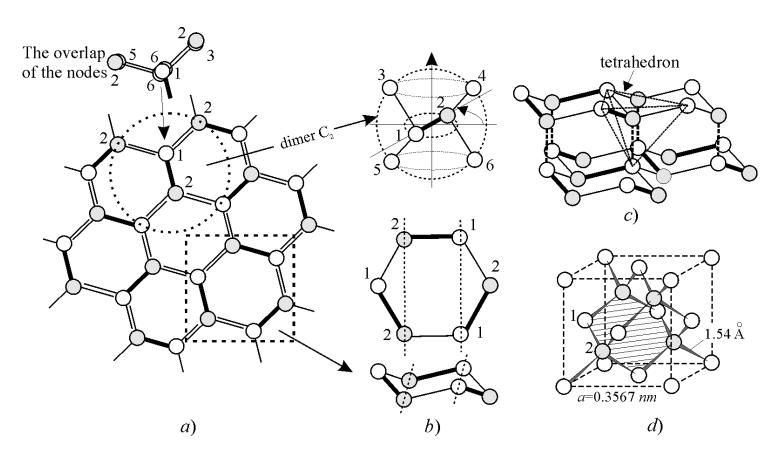
Formation of the internodal bonds in diamond



- (a) A plane structure of the carbon dimer C_2 (and the carbon "atom" C).
- (b) The turned position of the internal shell with nodes 1 and 2 with respect to the external shell by the **phase angle** $\alpha = \pi/4$ of the azimuth state that is **admitted by the** solution for φ , because $\Phi_p(\varphi) = \Phi_m \cos(m\varphi + \alpha)$.
- (c) Bindings (dashed lines) between the turned internal nodes 1 and 2 of the nearby carbon dimmers, resulted in a face-centered cube structure of diamond.

The face-centered cubic lattice of diamond

(made of carbon dimers C_2)

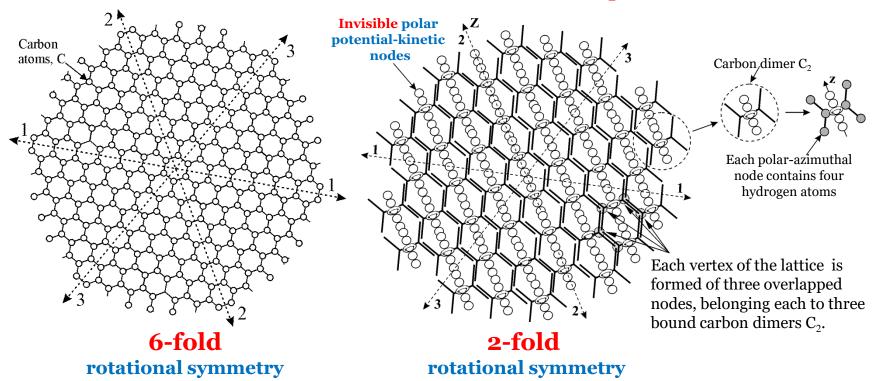


The Structure of Graphene

Conventional view

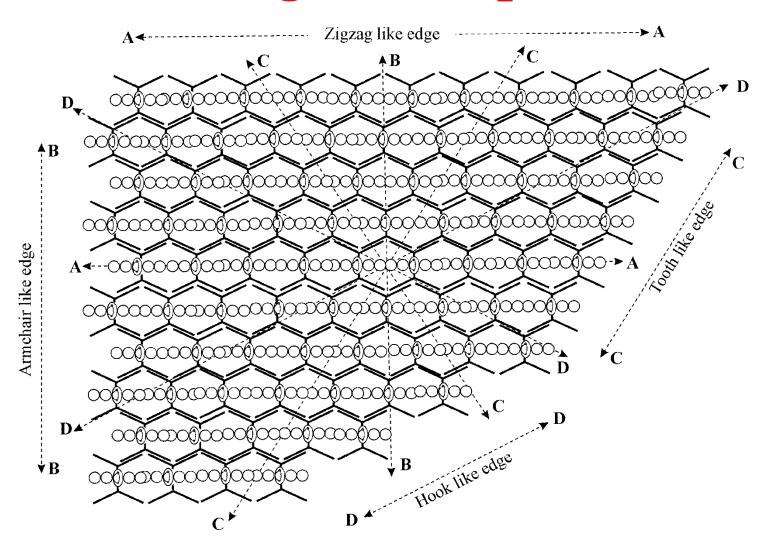
According to the WM

Hexagonal lattice is formed of <u>carbon atoms</u> C Hexagonal lattice is formed of carbon dimers C₂

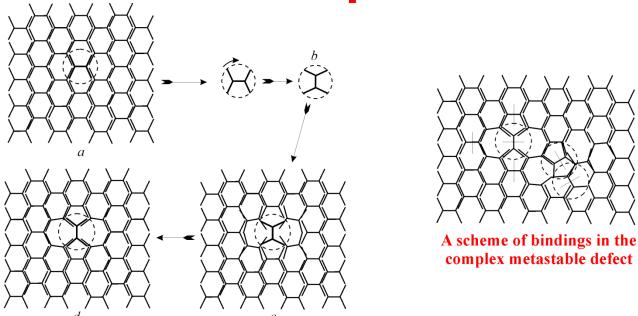


An ordered "covalent" bond of carbon dimers C_2 is realized in graphene along strong internodal bonds in such a way that a continuous chain of empty polar nodes forms hollow channels inside the crystal, through which charge carriers can move without obstacles not being scattered, like it occurs at the ballistic motion.

The Edges in Graphene



Topological Defects in Graphene

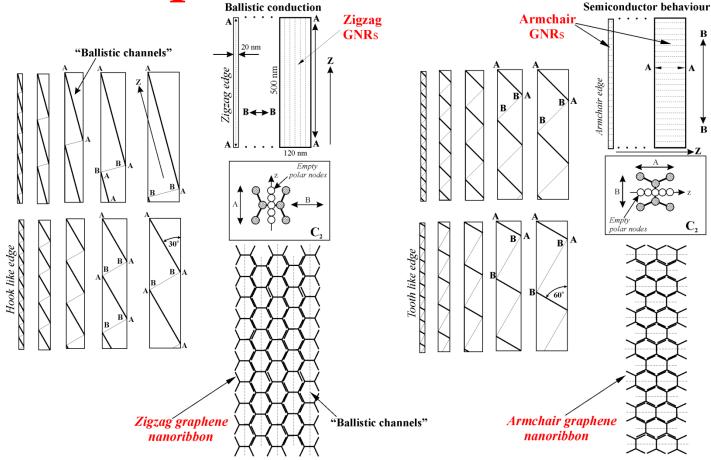


The formation of the pentagon-heptagon (SW) defects

The **pentagon-heptagon** (5-7) (SW) **topological defect** arises due to appearance when heated the **rotational modes** (additionally to vibrational) that leads to violation in some moment of equilibrium bindings resulting in the formation of short-lived bonds with other nodes of nearest carbon dimers, as indicated in this scheme.

Upon cooling it takes place self-organization (self-assembly): an exited region of the lattice returns in the initial equilibrium state, the defect disappears.

Graphene Nanoribbons



A **shape** of edges of graphene nanoribbons, different width and length, **depends on orientation of the crystallographic z axis** with respect to the edges.

And the **definite orientation** of the z axis, but not a shape of the edges, **influences on properties** of nanoribbons, for example, on electrical resistance, because the **chains of empty polar nodes**, which are responsible for the **"ballistic" motion of charge carriers**, are directed parallel to this axis (A-A, in the figures).

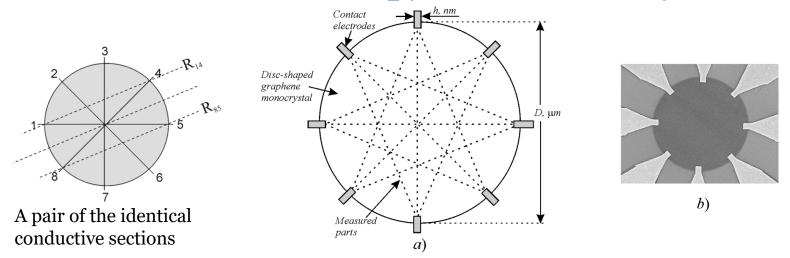
We should not confuse cause and effect.

The WM concept about the shell-nodal structure of the "atoms" was undergone to direct experimental verification by detecting the effects caused by the structure

A measurement scheme (a)

and SEM image (b) of graphene round sheets when tested (2010):

Yes or No anisotropy of conductivity?

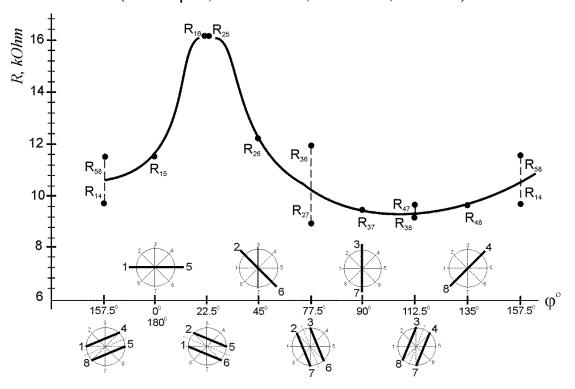


Both resistances between the **parallel pairs of contacts** (e.g., such as R_{14} and R_{85}), embracing identical conductive areas (i.e., having the same geometrical configuration), **must** be equal in value (within the error). This allows providing an **instant control of quality of electric contacts** to disc-shaped graphene plates directly during measuring the resistances.

Therefore, the given scheme can be used to test the effectiveness of various technological methods developing for creating improved electric contacts with graphene.

The angular dependence of electrical resistance $R = f(\phi)$

in a plane of a single graphene sheet of a round form (D=10 µm, h=580 nm, T=4.2 K, I=1 nA)



An obtained dependence is characteristic for anisotropic materials having the two-fold symmetry

Anisotropic behavior of electrical conductivity in graphene

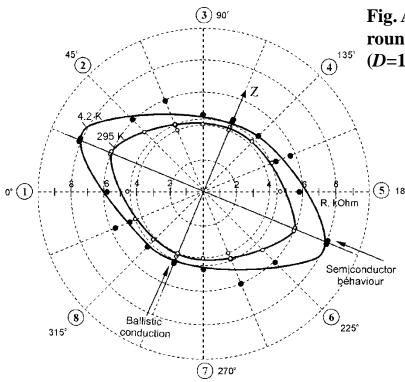


Fig. A polar diagram of resistance in a plane of a round sheet of graphene in a one-atom thickness: $(D=10 \ \mu m, h=580 \ nm, T=4.2 \ and \ 295 \ K)$

The **temperature dependence** of graphene conductivity along one of the directions in a plane shows that graphene in this direction **behaves as a semiconductor**.

In the perpendicular direction, along the "ballistic channels" (the z-axis), resistance in graphene practically does not depend on temperature; graphene **behaves as a metal**.

Comparison with a metal refers only to absence of the temperature dependence because the mechanisms of conductivity in a metal and in graphene differ in principle.

Anisotropy of a hexagonal lattice of graphene, predicted theoretically (2009) and confirmed directly experimentally (first in 2010), is the next in a series of the discoveries of the WM, following from the shell-nodal structure of the "atoms" and proving, thereby, reality of the latter (along with the discovery of the nature of all possible "atomic" isotopes)

Anisotropy of unstrained graphene is also well confirmed by optical methods

Obviously, in a case of two-dimensional crystals having a two-fold axis of symmetry, optical parameters of a reflected beam have to be repeated with a period of 180° in a plane perpendicular to such an axis.

Therefore, there are no problems of principle to be sure, using optical methods, whether graphene is isotropic or anisotropic.

Information about such experiments began to appear in the literature after our statement in February 2009 about the discovery. Here are **two examples**.

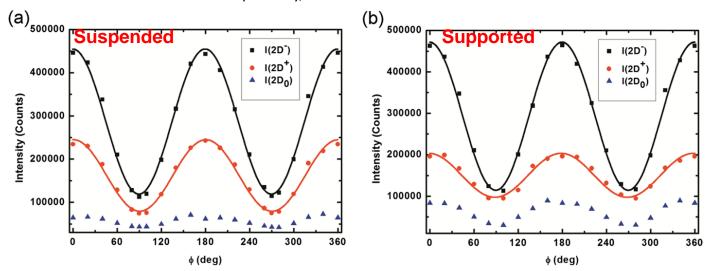
- Studies performed by polarized Raman spectroscopy (in 2012) confirmed this feature of unstrained graphene. A prominent sinusoidal intensity modulation with a period of 180⁰ is shown below.
- Anisotropy in unstrained pristine graphene (in absence of any external affects) with a
 periodicity of 180^o was also confirmed in studies by the Microscopic Reflection Difference
 Spectroscopy in the visible-frequency range (2014 2015, Beijing Key Laboratory).

Anisotropy in exfoliated graphene sheets

studied by polarized Raman spectroscopy in absence of any external influences (unstrained from outside)*

A prominent sinusoidal intensity modulation with a period of 180°

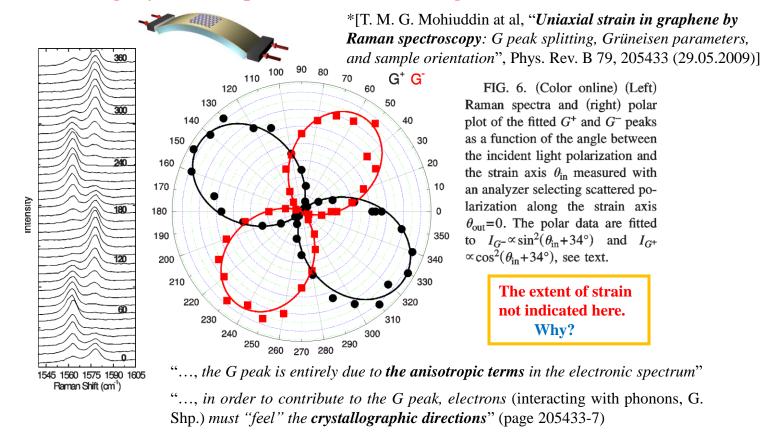
The estimated peak positions: 2.647 and 2.660 (a), 2.647 and 2.660 cm⁻¹ (b), respectively, for the 2D⁺ and 2D⁻ sub-bands.



"Figure 4. Analysis of intensity. **(a) Suspended** and **(b) supported** graphene. The plots of I(2D⁺), I(2D⁻), and I(2D₀) as functions of Φ . The symbol 'I' denotes the intensity of the corresponding sub-peak obtained by fitting the related Raman spectrum with a triple-Lorentzian function. The obtained intensities are shown by the dots, which are fitted by the form of Acos²($\Phi - \Phi_0$) for I(2D⁺) and I(2D⁻), and of a constant of A, where A and Φ_0 are fitting parameters. The black and red lines display the fitting results"*.

*[Huang et al, "Observation of strain effect on the suspended graphene by polarized Raman spectroscopy", Nanoscale Research Letters 2012, 7:533]

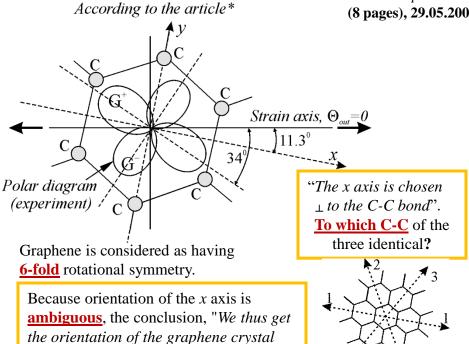
By now we have the grounds to argue that Raman spectra (presented in different papers, devoted to the influence of strains) reflect, in varying degrees, the natural anisotropy inherent in unstrained graphene. For example, strains, caused by bending of the hexagonal lattice of graphene (as in the paper of 29.05.2009* analyzed below), could distort slightly Raman spectra, but not violating, wherein, their main feature.



"...the inferred strains disagreed by a factor of 5 or more for similar Raman shifts ^{20,22-24}" "...no significance difference was seen between the cases of uniaxial and biaxial strain, ^{20,23,24} in contrast with theory" (page 205433-1). Etc.

Comments to the article*

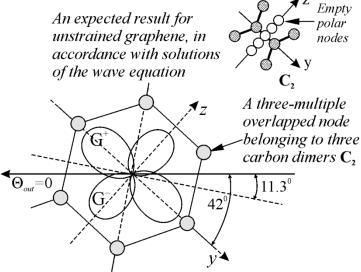
*[Uniaxial strain in graphene by Raman spectroscopy: G peak splitting, Grüneisen parameters, and sample orientation, Phys. Rev. B 79, 205433 (8 pages), 29.05.2009 by T. M. G. Mohiuddin at al.]



Nothing is said about the polar diagram for unstrained graphene. Why? Hence, the conclusion about influence of strains on Raman spectra of graphene can not be considered as correct.

with respect to the known strain axis"

(page 205433-6), is **incorrect**.

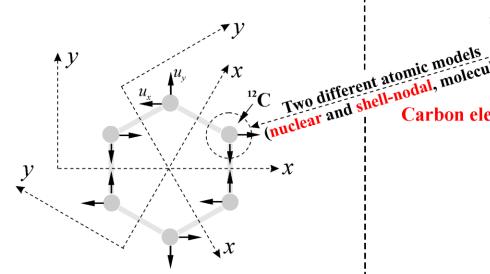


Graphene has **2-fold** rotational symmetry

Fig. Supposed polar plot of G^+ and G^- peaks as a function of the angle between the incident light polarization and the random crystallographic direction in graphene, as in the paper in question (11.3°), if it will be measured with an analyzer selecting scattered polarization along this direction, $\Theta_{out} = 0$.

Comparison of two physics models: conventional and new (SM and WM)

[Phys. Rev. B 79, 205433 (29.05.2009)]

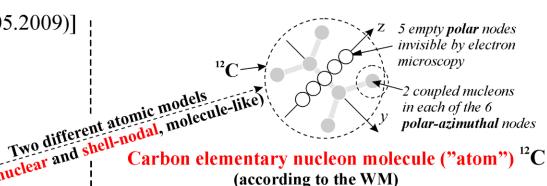


One atom ¹²C forms each node of the lattice (conventional view)

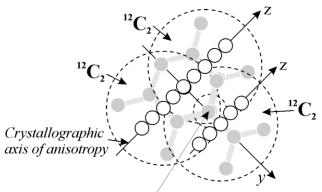
Small arows indicate "phonon displacements in the (x,y) basis"

"The x axis is chosen perpendicular to the C-C bond" (page 205433-6)

To which of 3 pairs of the identical C-C bonds?



Carbon elementary nucleon molecule ("atom") ¹²C (according to the WM)



Three nodes, belonging to three carbon dimers ${}^{12}C_2$, form, being overlapped, each node of the lattice (according to the WM)

Thus, independent experiments, carried out by various methods in different laboratories, confirmed our prediction that the two-fold symmetry is a feature inherent to the hexagonal lattice of graphene.

Recall that this feature is an effect of the shell-nodal structure of the carbon "atom" (which is the elementary nucleon molecule) and specifically ordered bindings of these "atoms" in the hexagonal lattice.

Additional confirmations, as we believe, will be obtained in the ongoing experiments studying a phenomenon of the **Second Harmonic Generation** (SHG), and from other relevant works.

Practical Significance of the Obtained Results

Predicted and confirmed experimentally, anisotropy of graphene should be taken into account in the electronics industry of the future, which will be based on use of graphene.

The strictly definite orientation of the crystallographic axis of all anisotropic monocrystals on substrates is a mandatory self-evident initial technological stage, which provides electronic devices, produced on such crystals, be identical in parameters.

[G. Shpenkov, *Method for manufacturing nano electronic devices made from 2D carbon crystals like graphene and devices obtained with this method*", file EP2401764, priority date 29.02.2009; https://register.epo.org/application?number=EP10707863

Particular Conclusion

- 1. Graphene has <u>two-fold</u> rotational symmetry and is an <u>anisotropic</u> crystal.
- 2. <u>Invisible polar nodes</u>, being bound each other, take the form of parallel <u>hollow channels</u> favourable for the "ballistic" motion of electrons.

Hence, it becomes understandable and explainable now:

Why "Graphene...is an interesting mix of a semiconductor...and a metal" [*] Why "Electrons in graphene ... have very long mean free paths" [*].

*[A.H. Castro Neto, F. Guinea, N. M. R. Peres, K. S. Novoselov and A. K. Geim, *The electronic properties of graphene*, Rev. Mod. Phys. **81**, 2009]

Why carbon "Nanotubes can be metallic or semiconducting,..."

[Tsuneya Ando, *The electronic properties of graphene and carbon nanotubes*, Review, NPG Asia Materials (2009) 1, 17–21; doi:10.1038/asiamat.2009.1]

Carbon nanotubes, rolled-up form of graphene, have either conductivity, **metallic** or **semiconducting**. The rolling-up is realized mainly along two crystallographic directions: along the major axis of anisotropy and in perpendicular to it direction. They define the thermodynamically favourable minimum-energy states.

General Conclusion

We highlight here

three breakthrough discoveries

(from a series of others made within the WM),

which alter our conventional ideas regarding the structure of matter:

- 1. "Atoms", being stable wave formations, have the <u>shell-nodal structure</u> and are <u>elementary nucleon molecules</u>. Their nodes, filled with paired hydrogen atoms, are bound to each other by <u>strong interaction</u>.
- 2. The main role at the formation of molecules and crystals plays a <u>spatial</u> <u>arrangement of the nodes</u> and <u>internodal strong bonds</u> in the "atoms". Electrons play the secondary role: <u>they define only the strength of chemical bonds</u>.

Chemical "covalent" bonds are realized directly along strong internodal bonds each of the joined "atoms" or their dimers.

• 3. <u>All "atomic" isotopes</u> (their structure and relative mass) are defined by the extent of filling all potential and potential-kinetic nodes of the "atoms" with hydrogen atoms.

Judging by the results, the WM has to be considered as an alternative to the Standard Model

Summary

The direct fundamental evidences, obtained by the author within the Wave Model,

testifying to the reality the nuclear-free shell-nodal (molecule-like) structure of the "atoms"

- <u>Proven experimentally</u> (and confirmed independently in different laboratories) <u>anisotropy of unstrained graphene</u> caused by the specific shell-nodal structure of carbon elementary nucleon molecules (carbon "atoms").
- <u>Derived</u> the structure and relative masses of a full set of all natural and artificial "atomic" isotopes. They are grouped in the "<u>Table</u> of the "<u>Atomic</u>" <u>Isotopes</u>".
- <u>Derived</u> the binding energy of the "atoms" (deuterium, tritium, helium ${}_2^4He$, and carbon ${}_6^{12}C$) and internodal bindings in molecules by the <u>Universal Law of the Central Exchange</u>, $F_e = \omega_e^2 \frac{m_1 m_2}{4\pi \varepsilon_0 r^2}$, discovered in the WM, where $\varepsilon_0 = 1 \, g \cdot cm^{-3}$ is the absolute unit density, $\omega_e = 1.869162559 \times 10^{18} \, s^{-1}$ is the *fundamental frequency* of atomic and subatomic levels; m_1 and m_2 are associated masses of exchange defined by Eq. $m = \frac{4\pi r^3 \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_r}{1 + k_c^2 r^2}$, and $k_e = \omega_e / c$ is the wave number.
- Revealed that the strictly *certain distances between nucleon* nodes in substance are defined by the *fundamental wave radius* $\lambda_e = c/\omega_e = 1.60...\times 10^{-8}\ cm\ .$ E.g., *lattice parameters* are equal in average to $2\lambda_e \approx 3.2\times 10^{-8}\ cm$. Distances r between nodes in the "atoms" (nucleon molecules) are defined by the product $z_{m,n}\lambda_e = r$, where $z_{m,n}$ are roots of Bessel functions.
- Revealed that characteristic angles of facets in crystals of natural minerals are determined by the same particular solutions as spatial angles of the nodes in "atoms". This confirms the wave nature of natural minerals, and, generally, of all substances.
- <u>Explained</u> the scattering of particles and waves on nuclear-free "atoms" (i.e., on nucleon nodes of the bound elementary molecules in substance), completely agreed with the experiment. It was made naturally and logically noncontradictory, as against questioned contradictory Rutherford' explanation of the scattering on hypothetical tiny hyperdense atomic nuclei [4].

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