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Two-dimensional (2D) materials

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Introduction

What are two-dimensional (2D) materials ?



Q: what is a 2D material?



Geim & Novoselov, Nat. Mater. 6, 183–191 (2007)

Graphene: a natural material





monolayer graphene

monolayer graphene/SiO₂

optical image

honeycomb lattice C atoms



Jinschek et al., Carbon 49, 556 (2011)

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Elemental 2D materials



Compound 2D materials: MX₂



Honeycomb lattices



M. Bokdam, thesis, U Twente (2013); M. Bokdam, GB, NTvN, 282 (2014)

2D lattices





Introduction

What can we do with two-dimensional (2D) materials?



The rise of 2D materials

graphene



Novoselov, Geim, et al., Science **306**, 666 (2004) Field Effect Transistor (FET)



very high carrier mobility µ≈10⁵ cm²/(Vs)
quantum Hall effect at room temperature
"relativistic" effects (Klein tunneling)
... more and more ...

<u>physics Nobel prize 2010</u>: Andre Geim & Konstantin Novoselov "for groundbreaking experiments regarding the two-dimensional material graphene"

Application: (opto)electronics



Bias voltage (V)

Pospischil et al., Nat. Nanotech. 9, 257 (2014)

Application: catalysis

Lauritsen et al., J. Catal. 197, 1 (2001)



Application: electrolysis



Voiry et al., Nano Lett. 13, 6222 (2013)

Application: solar fuels





Summary applications

What can we do with two-dimensional (2D) materials?

- electronic devices
- Solar cells (convert photons to electricity)
- catalysis
- electrolysis (convert electricity to fuels)
- > solar fuels (convert photons to fuels)



van der Waals heterostructures of 2D materials

combine functionalities of different 2D materials

Geim & Grigorieva, Nature **499**, 419 (2013)



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Novoselov et al., Nature **490**, 192 (2012)

