

# Prospects of ion channelling through carbon nanotubes

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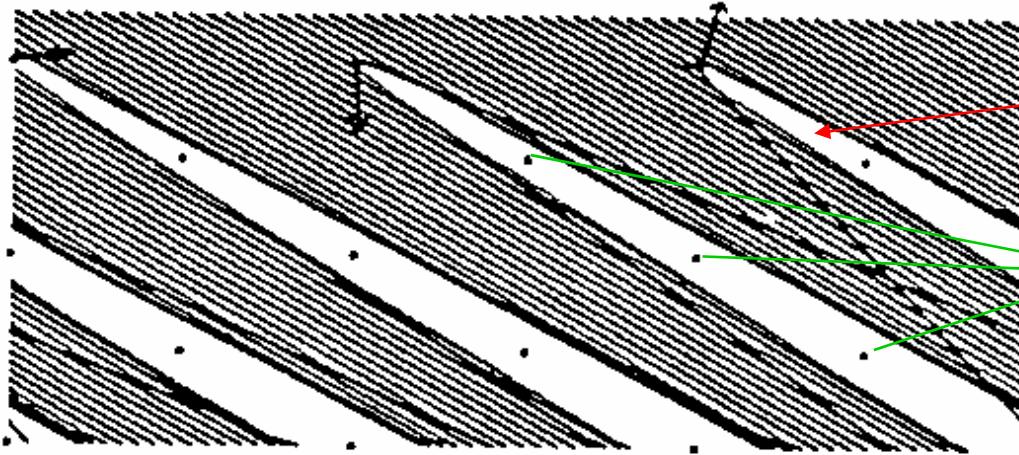
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# Ion channeling in crystals

- ❑ “Accidental” discovery in computer simulation  
(1963)
- ❑ Theory:
  - Continuum-potential models
  - Binary collision approximation
  - De-channeling, ...
- ❑ Applications:
  - Medium energies:
    - ion implantation
    - probing impurities in crystals
    - thin films & interface analysis
  - High-energy physics:
    - using bent crystals for beam extraction & collimation at particle accelerators (CERN, JINR, FNAL, BNAL, IHEP, INFN-LNF)

# Channeling of fast ions in single crystals

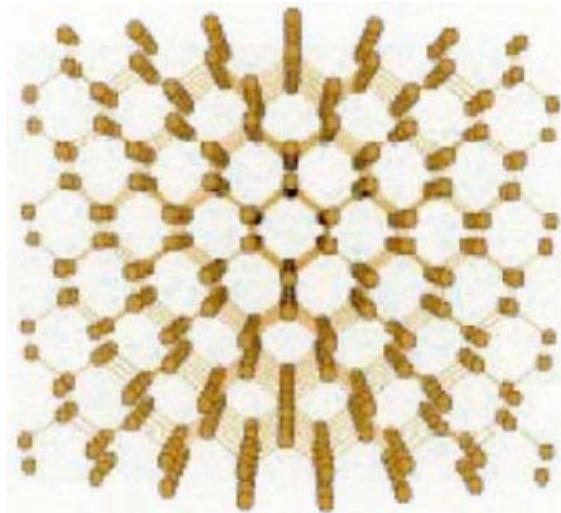
Side view of ion beam channeling



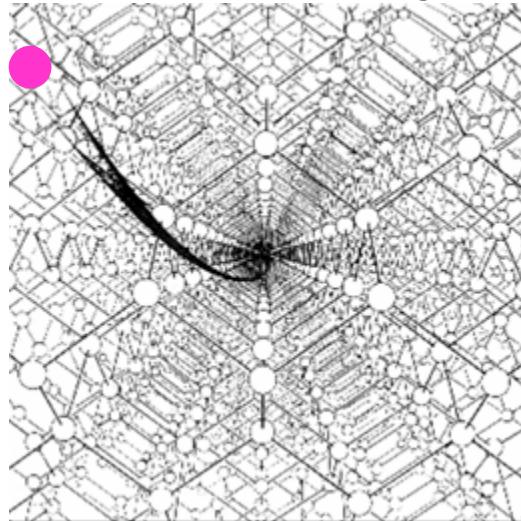
Shadow cone

Average potential  
along atomic rows

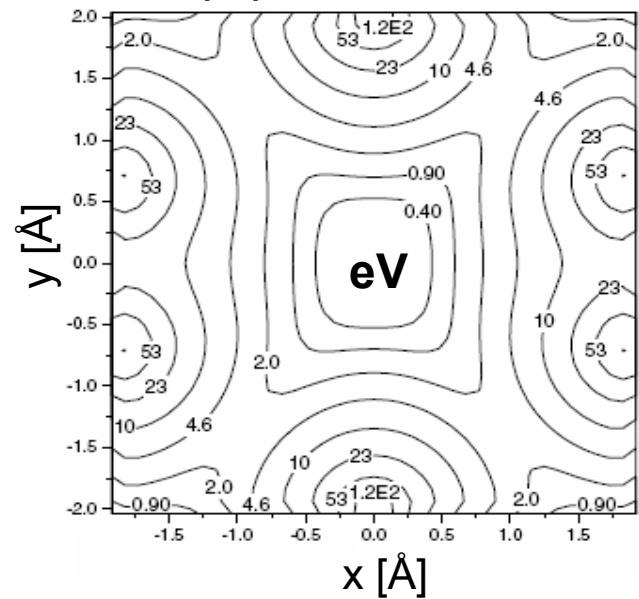
Front view of Si channels



Axial channeling



Equipotential curves

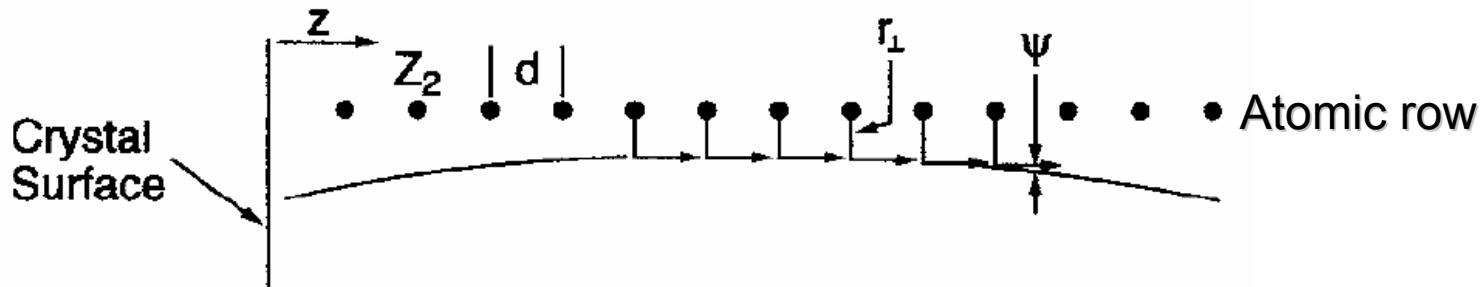


# Axial channeling through single crystal

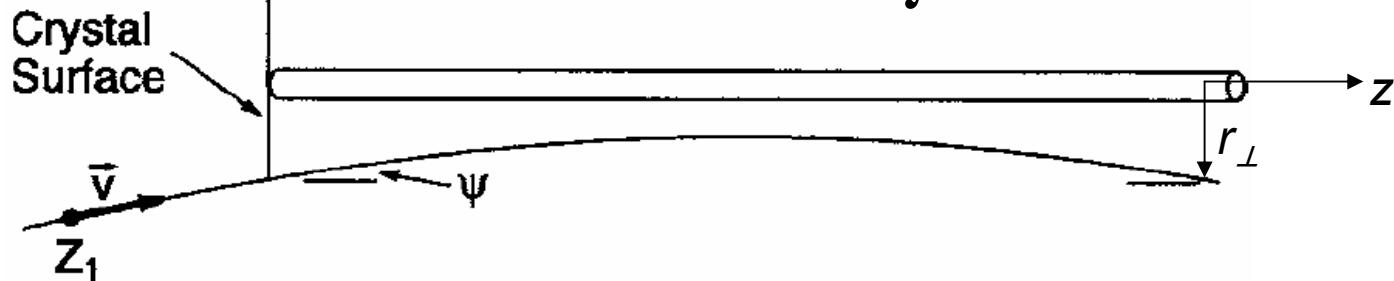
L.C. Feldman *et al.*, *Materials Analysis by Ion Channeling* (1982)

## BINARY COLLISION MODEL

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## CONTINUUM MODEL



Ion trajectory in transversal plane  $E_\perp = \frac{p^2}{2} \psi^2 + U_{row}(r_\perp) + \frac{L_0^2}{2m\gamma r_\perp^2} = const$

Critical angle for channeling

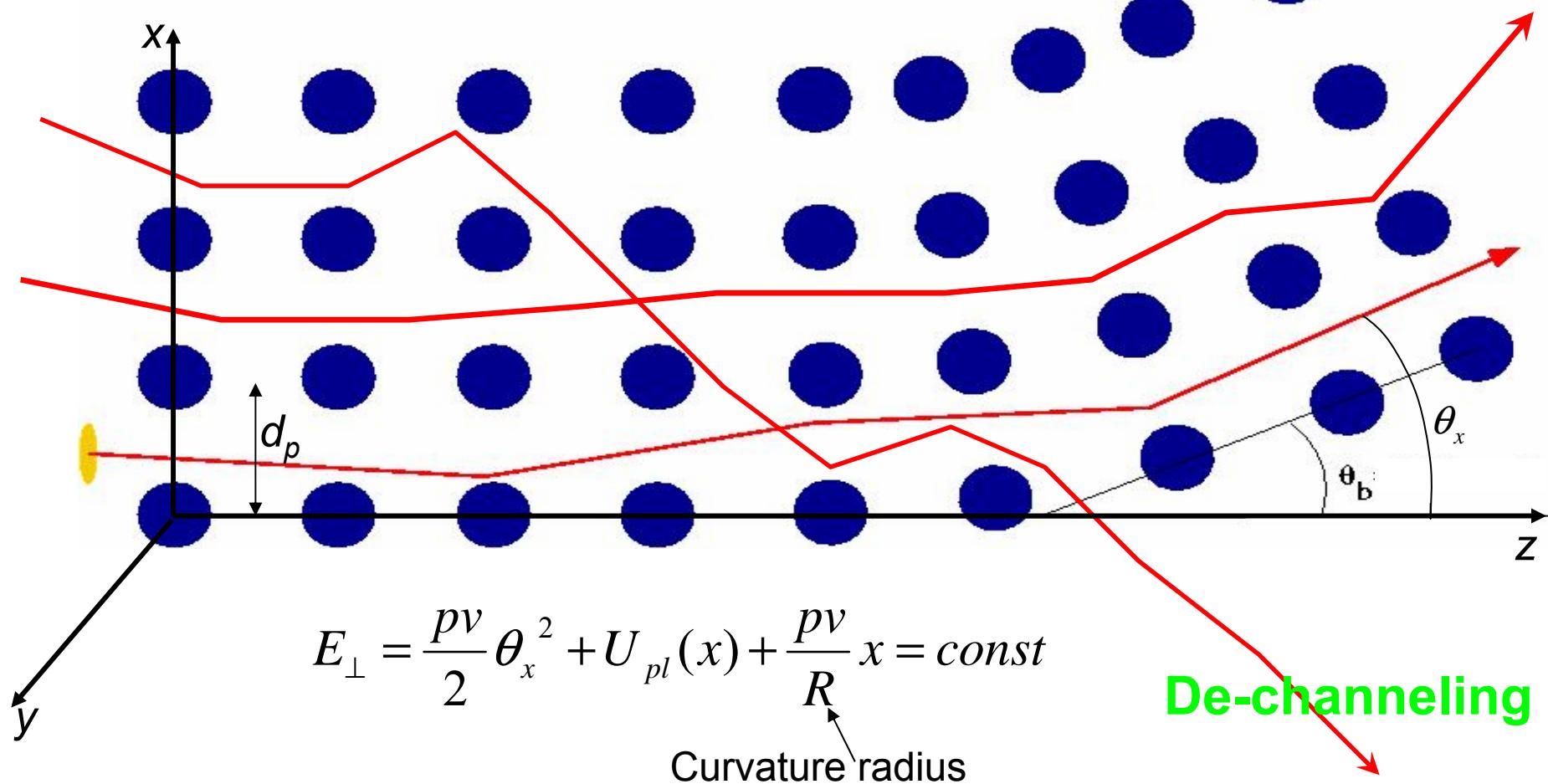
$$\psi_c = \sqrt{\frac{4Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{p v d}}$$

# Planar channeling through crystal bent in x direction

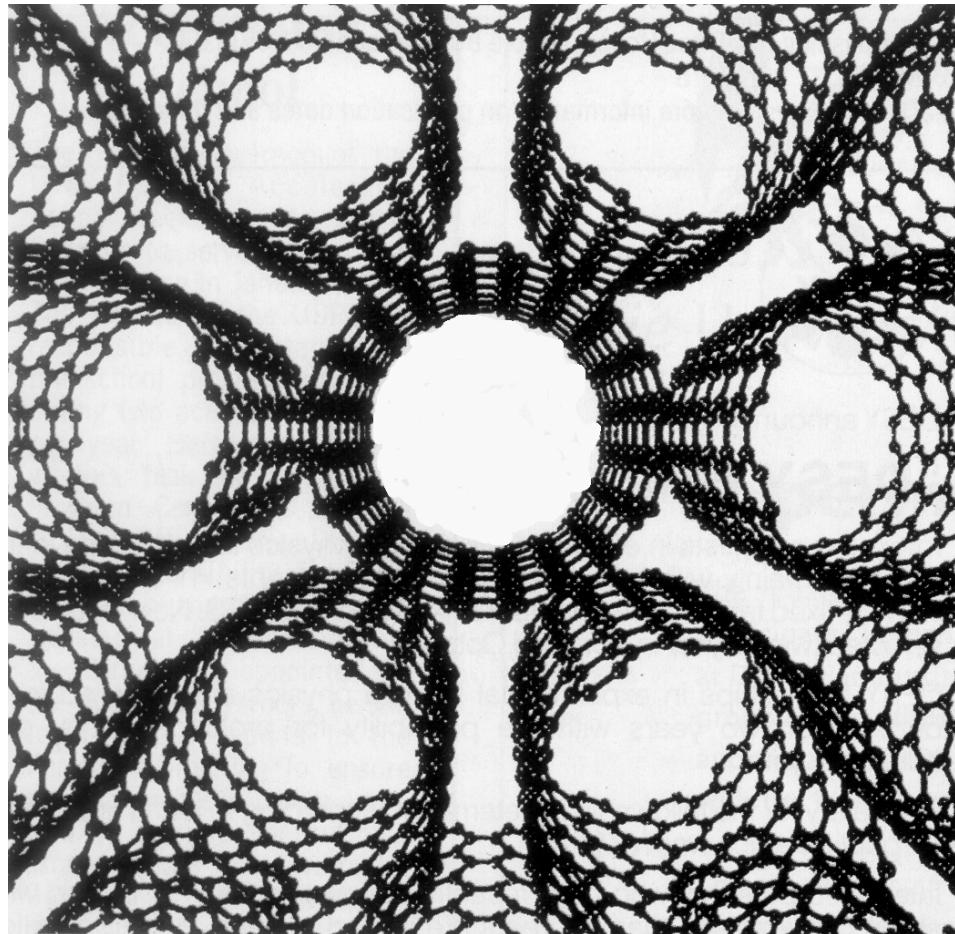
V.M. Biryukov et al., *Crystal Channeling and Its Applications at High-energy Accelerators* (1997)

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Potential of single plane  $U_{pl}(x) = N_{at}d_p \int U_{at}(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}) dy dz$



# Ion channeling through carbon nanotubes? Dream vs. reality



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# Carbon nanotubes

## □ Properties:

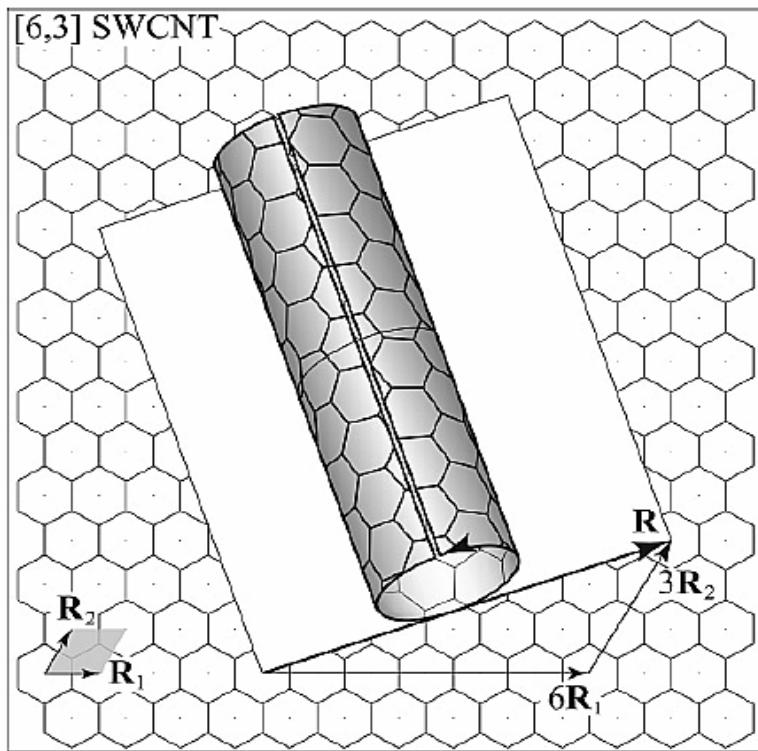
- Electrical, mechanical, thermal
- Dependent on: molecular structure, geometric confinement, local modification

## □ Applications:

- Nanoelectronic devices
- New composite materials
- Sensitive chemical detectors
- Ion storage (H, Li)
- Field emission displays
- Nanoelectromechanical systems (NEMS)

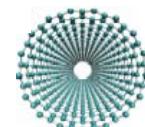
# Formation of single-wall carbon nanotube (SWNT)

Rolling single graphene sheet:  
hexagonal lattice ( $d=0.14$  nm)  
of covalently bonded C atoms



Diameter  $\sim 1 - 2$  nm, Length  $\sim 1$  mm

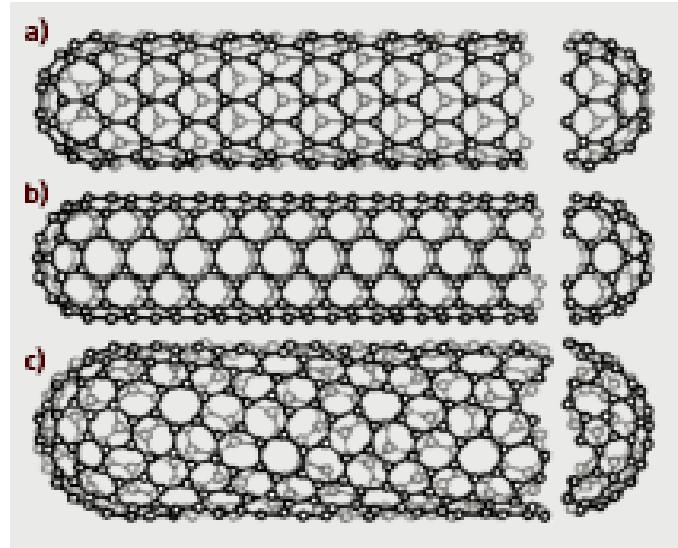
a) zig-zag



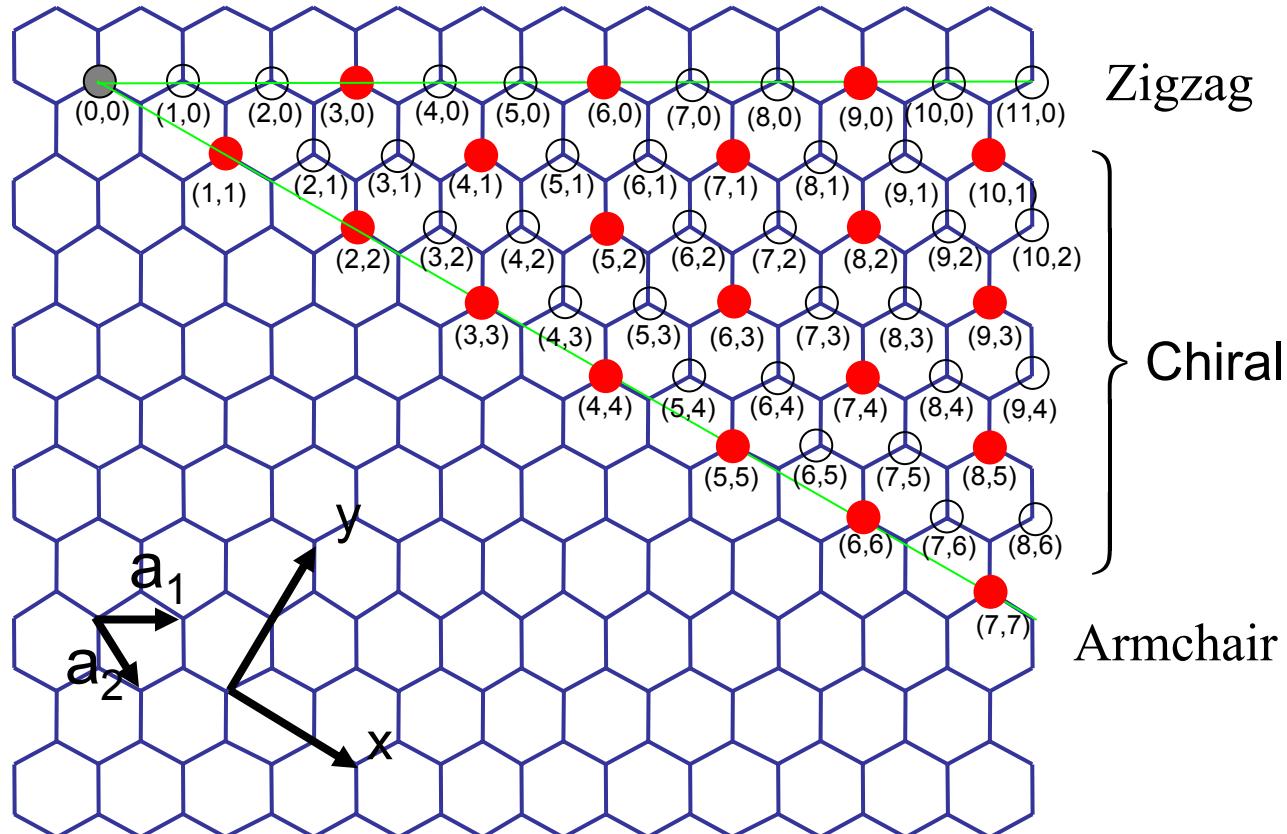
b) armchair



c) chiral



# (n,m) nomenclature of SWNTs

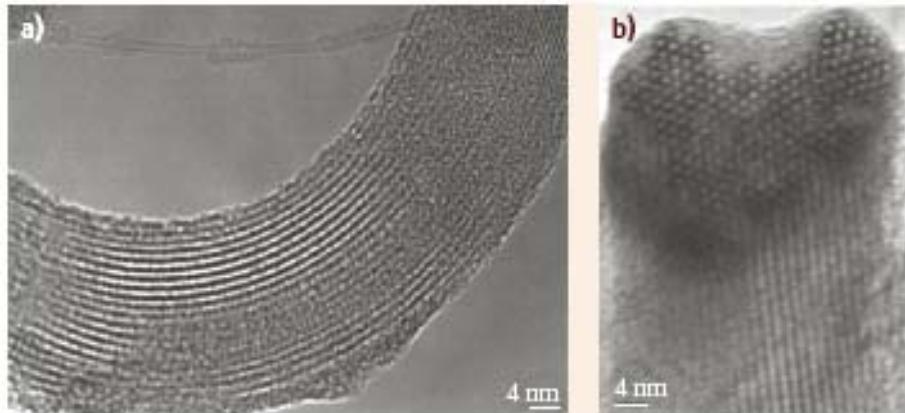


$n - m = 3q$  ( $q$ : integer): metallic ●

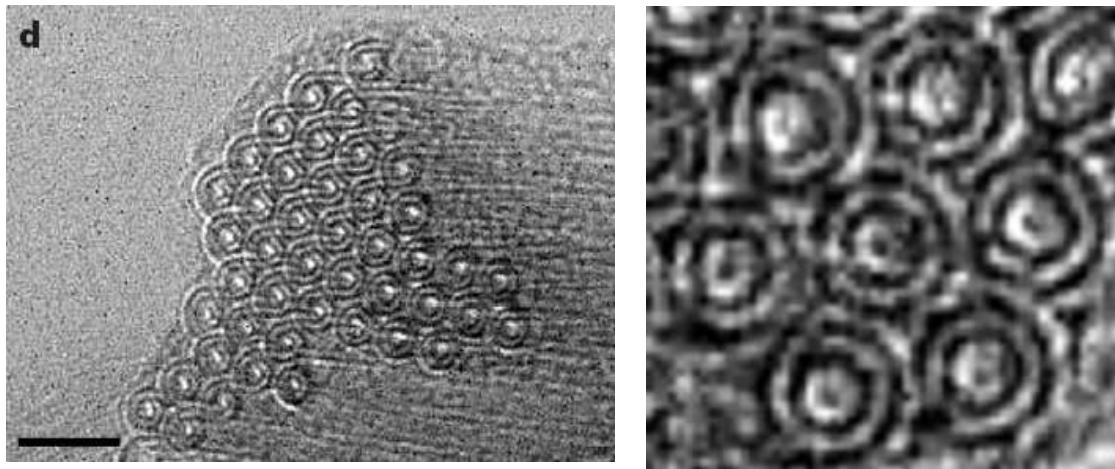
$n - m \neq 3q$  ( $q$ : integer): semiconductor ○

# Stacking of nanotubes by van der Waals forces with inter-wall separations $\sim 0.34$ nm (like in HOPG)

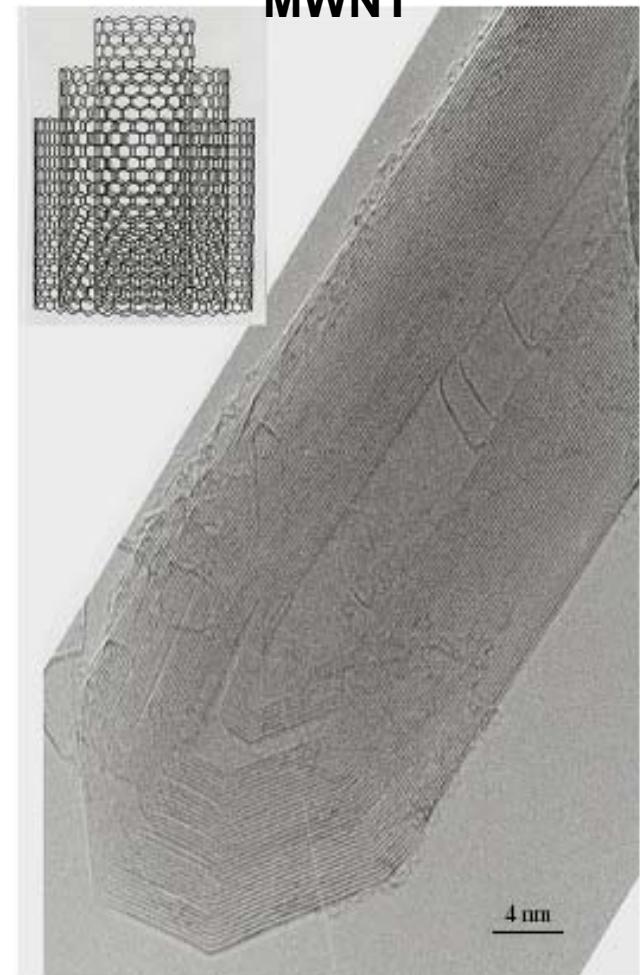
Rope of SWNTs in hexagonal lattice



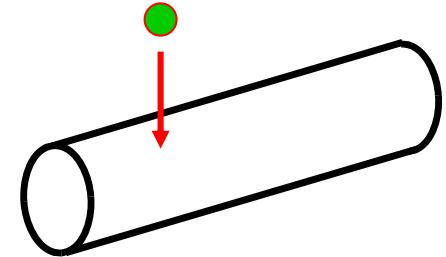
Rope of DWNTs in hexagonal lattice



Multi-walled carbon nanotube  
**MWNT**



# Ion irradiation of carbon nanotubes



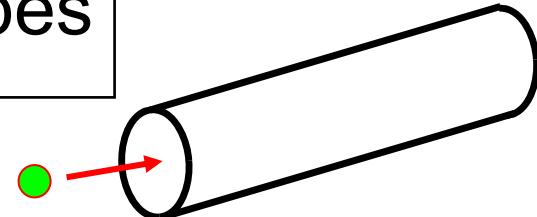
## □ Beam characteristics:

- Directions oblique or perpendicular to nanotube
- Energies from  $\sim 100$  eV to  $\sim 100$  MeV
- Heavy and light ions
- Strong dependence on irradiation dose
- Beam diameter for local modifications (FIB)

## □ Effects on nanotubes:

- Creation of local defects ( $\sim 20$  eV per atom)
- Doping, functionalization
- Inter-tube junctions (with high-T annealing)
- Amorphization, welding
- Stiffening, bending, buckling
- Observed by: SEM, TEM, RS, FEM, AFM, STM, ...

# Ion channeling through carbon nanotubes



## □ Advantages over single crystals

- Wider channels: weaker dechannelling
- Broader beams (using nanotube ropes)
- Wider acceptance angles ( $\sim 0.1$  rad)
- Lower minimum ion energies (< 100 eV)
- 3-D control of beam bending over greater lengths

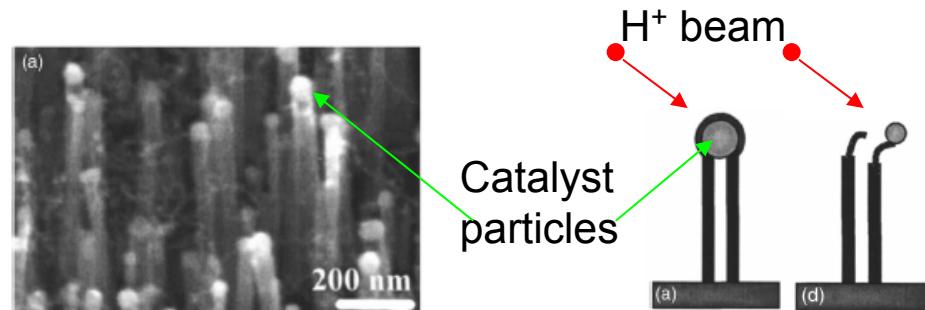
## □ Applications

- Creating and transporting highly focused nano-beams
- Nano-implantation in electronics, biology & medicine
- Beam extraction, steering & collimation at accelerators
- Manipulate plasma deposition, molecule transmission
- Sources of hard X- and gamma-rays

# Some issues regarding realization of channeling

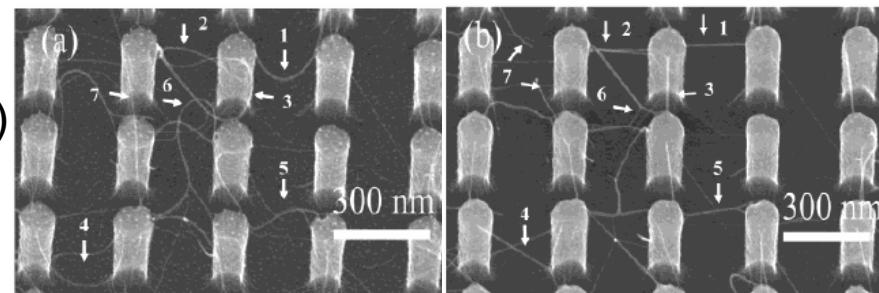
## □ Open ends (sputter etching)

J.F. AuBuchon *et al.*,  
*J. Appl. Phys.* 97 (2005) 124310



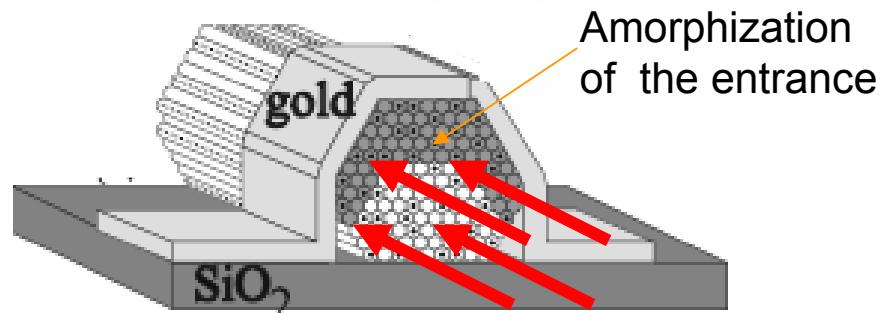
## □ Straightening (using Ga<sup>+</sup> beam)

Y.J. Jung *et al.*,  
*Nano Letters* 4 (2004) 1109



## □ Clamping by metal wires

H. Stahl *et al.*,  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* 85 (2000) 5186



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# Continuum approximation for nanotube wall potential

- Repulsive potential of a C atom,  $U_{at}(R)$  (Lindhard, Molière, Doyle-Turner)
- Atomic row potential from longitudinal average

$$U_{row}(r) = \frac{1}{d_{at}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U_{at}(\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}) dz$$

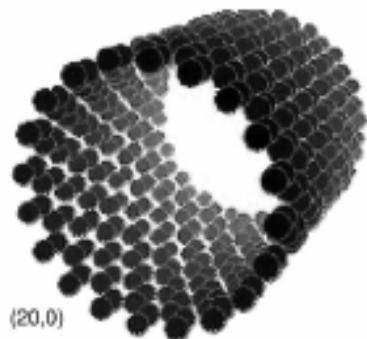
- Wall potential for zig-zag and armchair nanotubes with radius  $|r_j| = a$
- Wall potential for chiral nanotubes with radius  $a$  from averaging over circumference

$$U_{chi}(r) = a\sigma_{at} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U_{at}(\sqrt{z^2 + r^2 + a^2 - 2ra \cos \varphi}) dz d\varphi$$

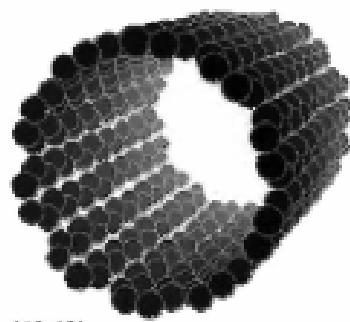
# Continuum approximations for the repulsive atomic potential in SWNTs

X. Artru *et al.*, *Phys. Reports* 412 (2005) 89

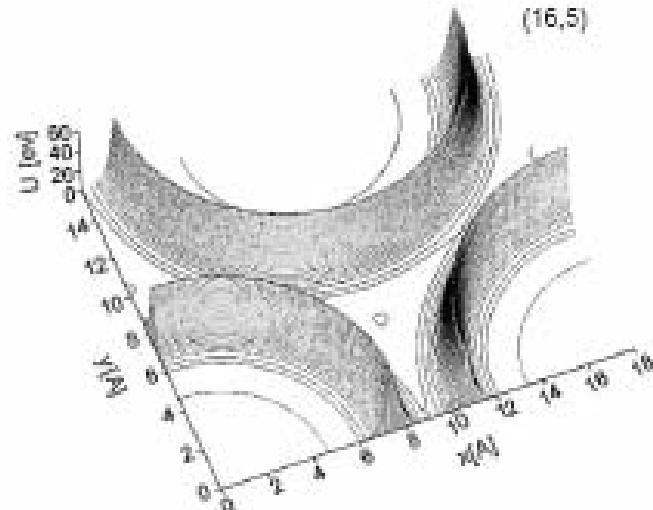
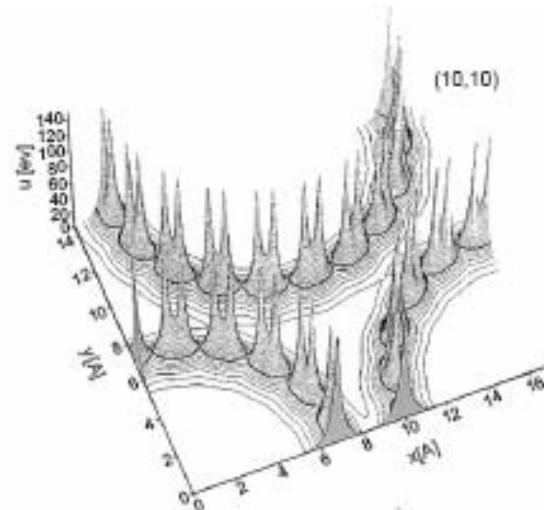
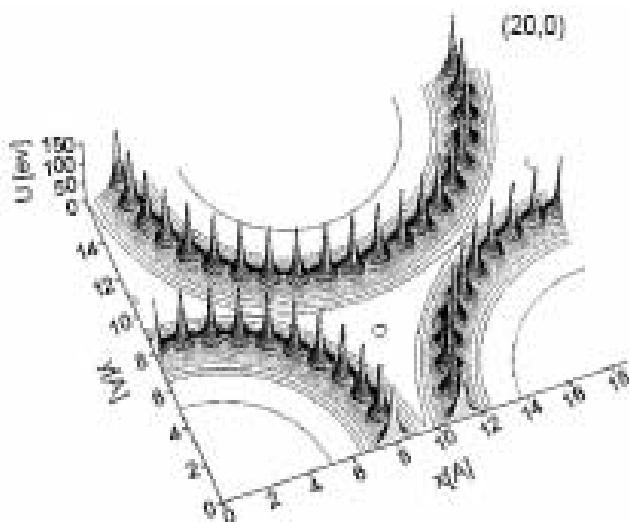
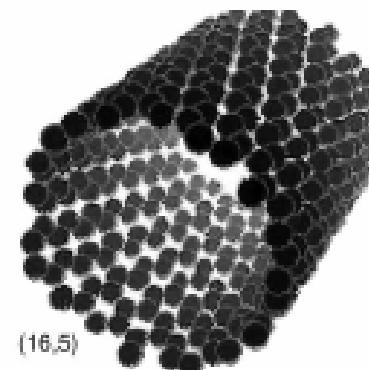
Zig-zag



Armchair



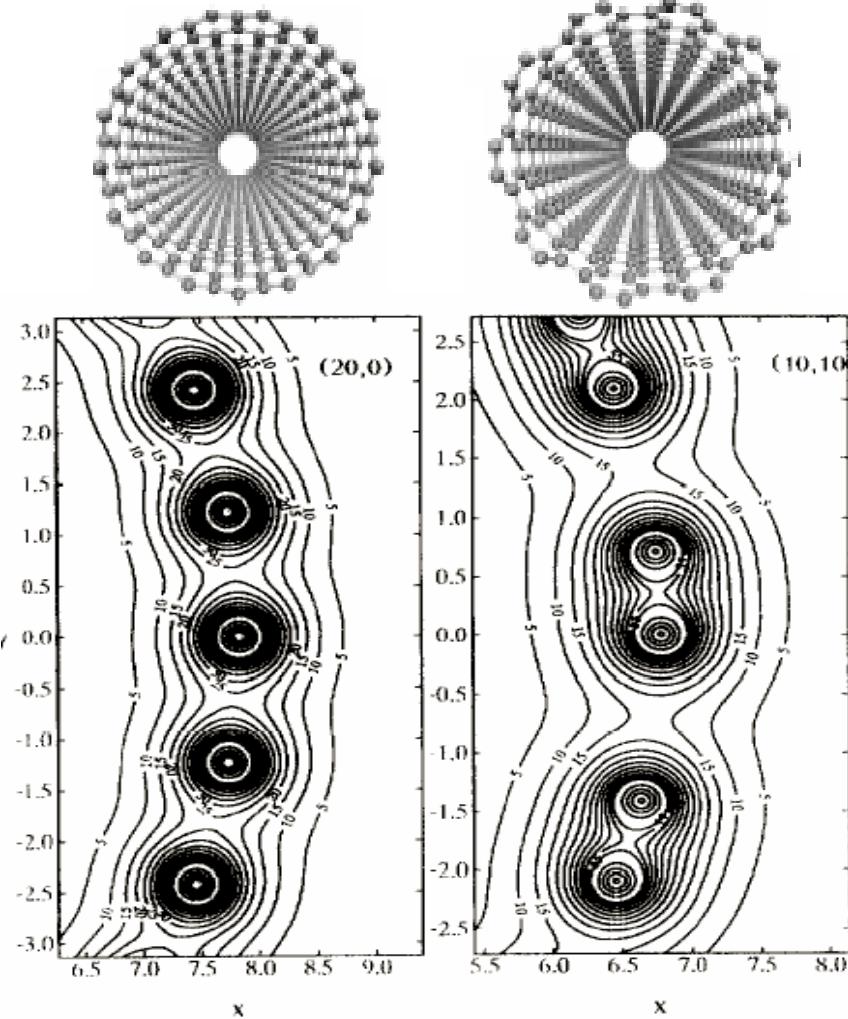
Chiral



# Continuum potential due to atomic rows in achiral SWNTs

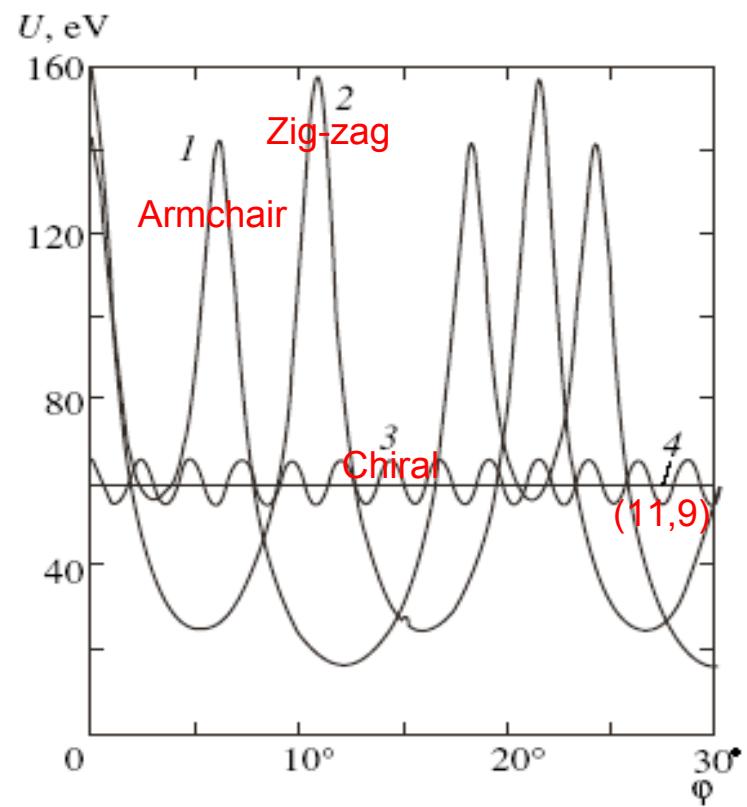
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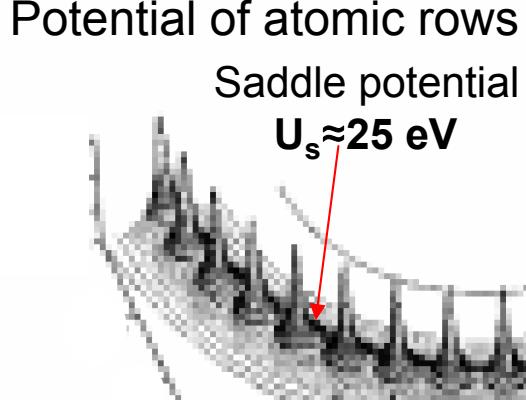
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Angular variation of potential barrier at the nanotube wall

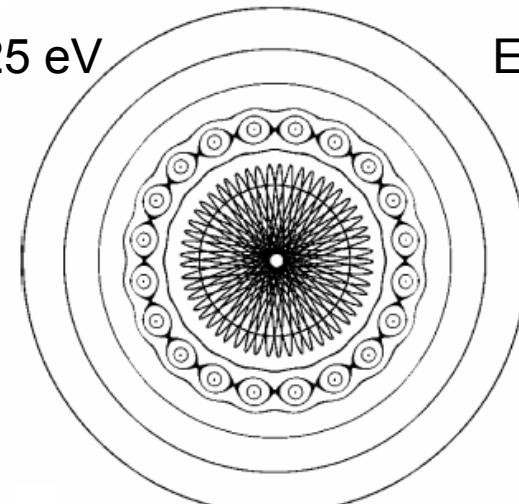


# Trajectories for ion channeling in a zig-zag SWNT<sub>(10,0)</sub> at several transverse energies $E_{\perp}$ relative to saddle $U_s$

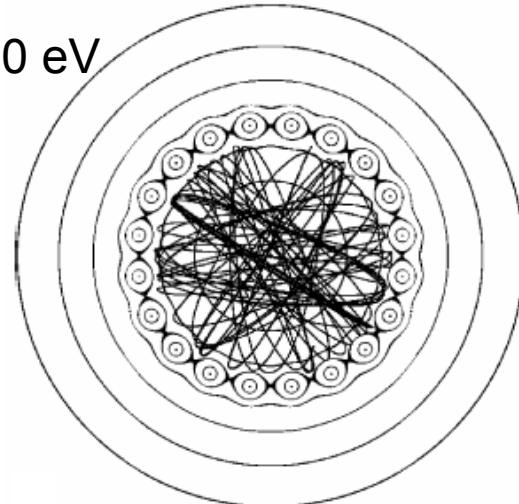
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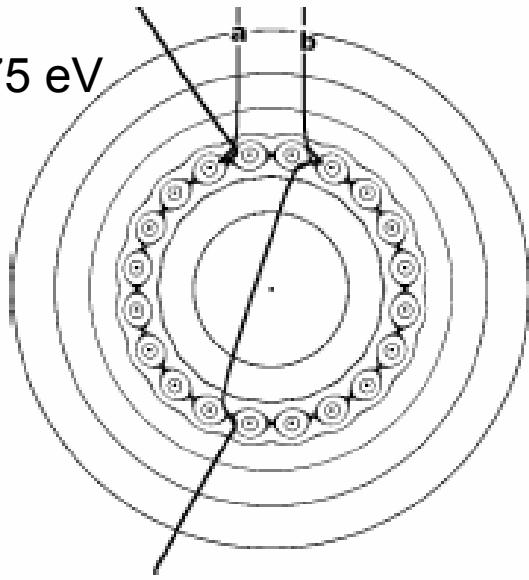
$E_{\perp}=25$  eV



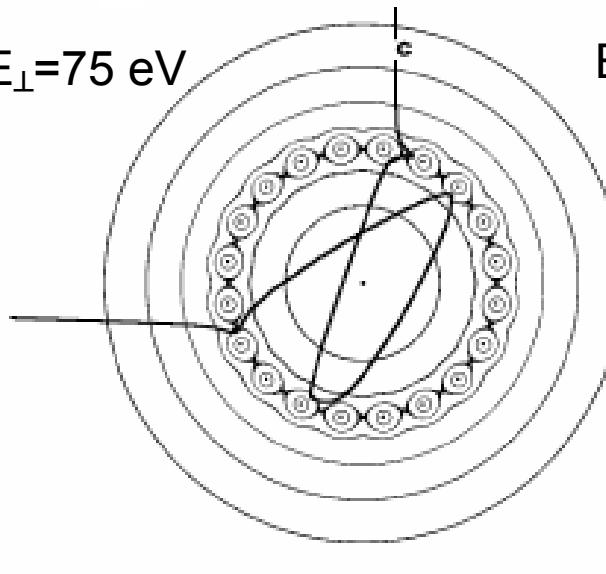
$E_{\perp}=50$  eV



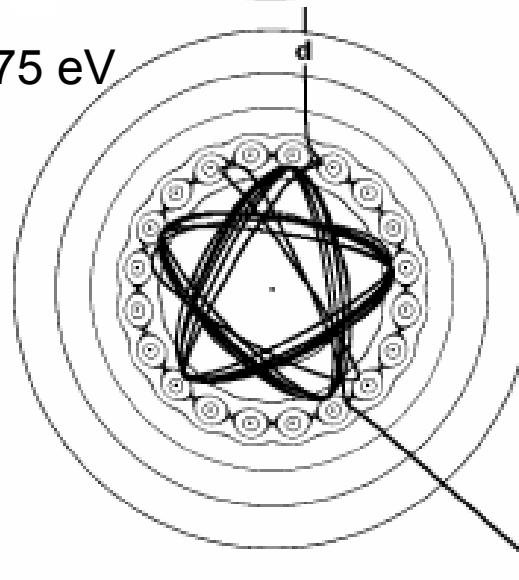
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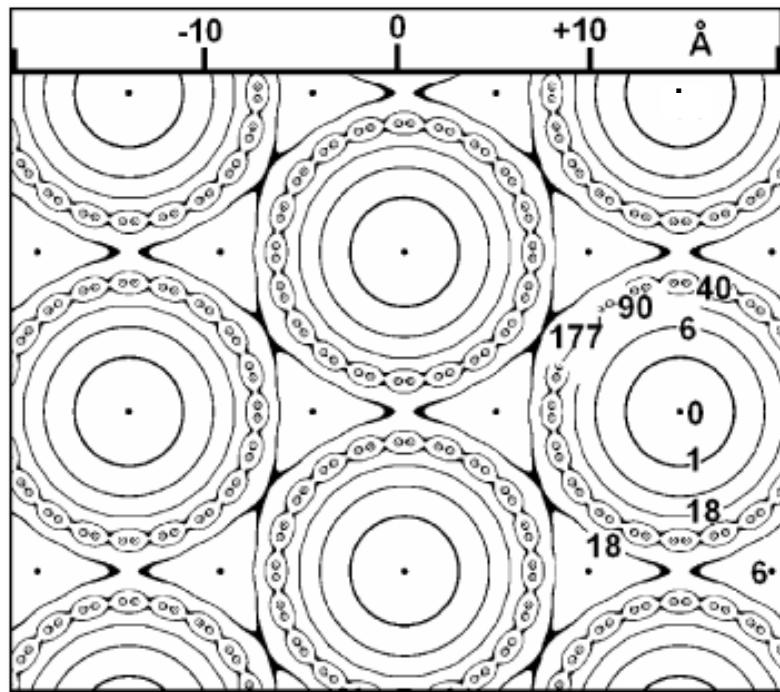
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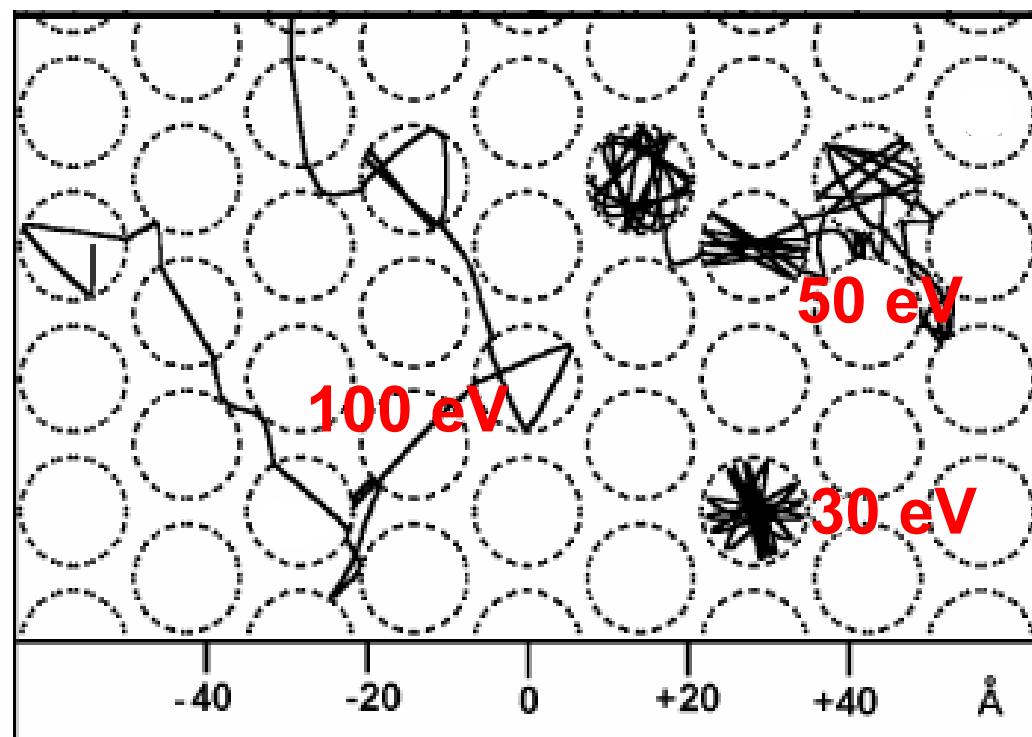
# Ion channelling through rope of armchair SWNTs(10,10)

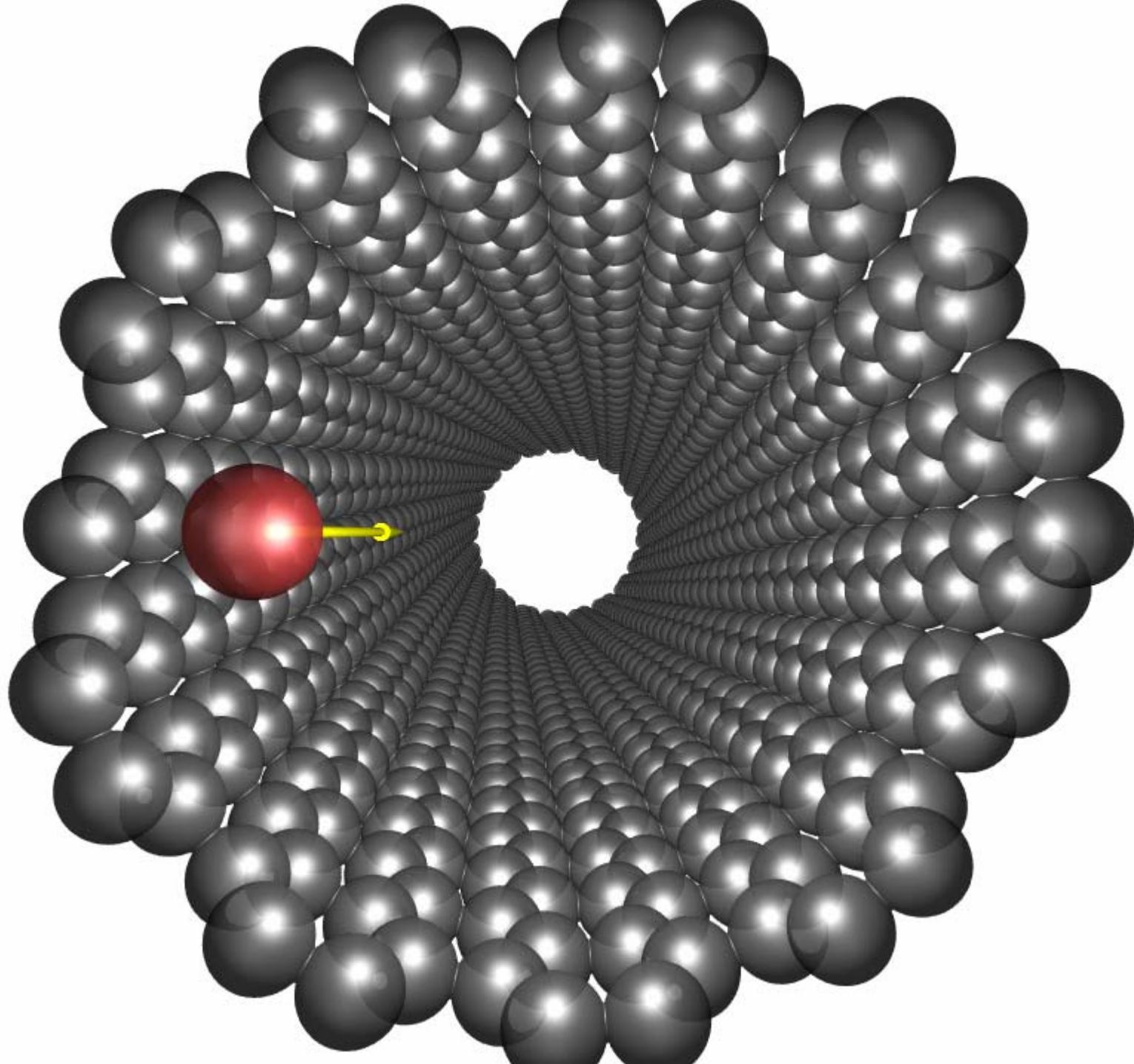
A.A. Greenenko and N.F. Shulga, *Nucl. Instr. Meth. B* 205 (2003) 767

Equi-potential surfaces (eV)



Ion trajectories with beam momentum 10 GeV/c and perpendicular energies 30, 50, and 100 eV

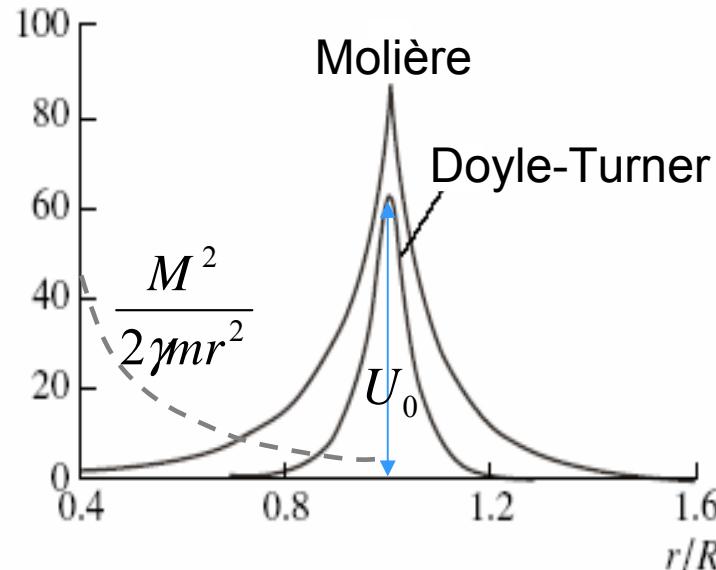




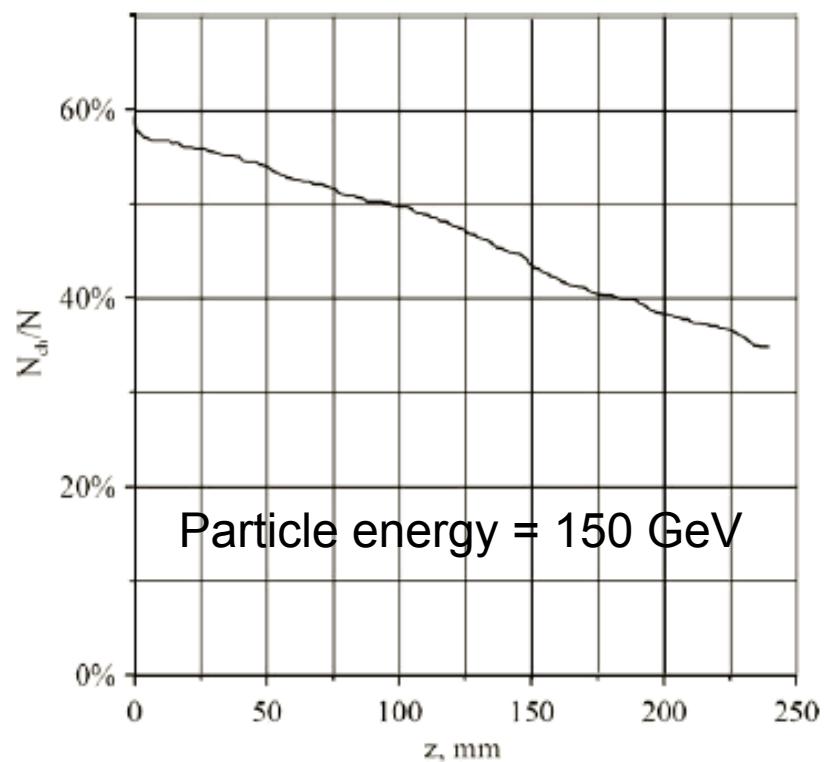
# Ion channelling through a straight chiral SWNT<sub>(11,9)</sub>

N.K. Zhevago and V.I. Glebov, *Phys. Lett. A* 250 (1998) 360 & 310 (2003) 301

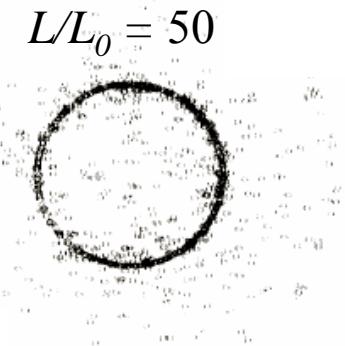
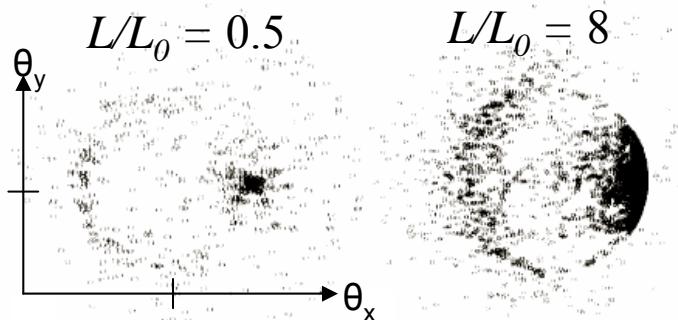
$U, \text{eV}$  Axially symmetric potential



Removal of ions due to dechanneling



Angular distributions of GeV ions for incident angles:  $\theta_{0x} = \theta_L/2$ ,  $\theta_{0y} = 0$



$$\theta_L = \sqrt{2U_0/E}$$

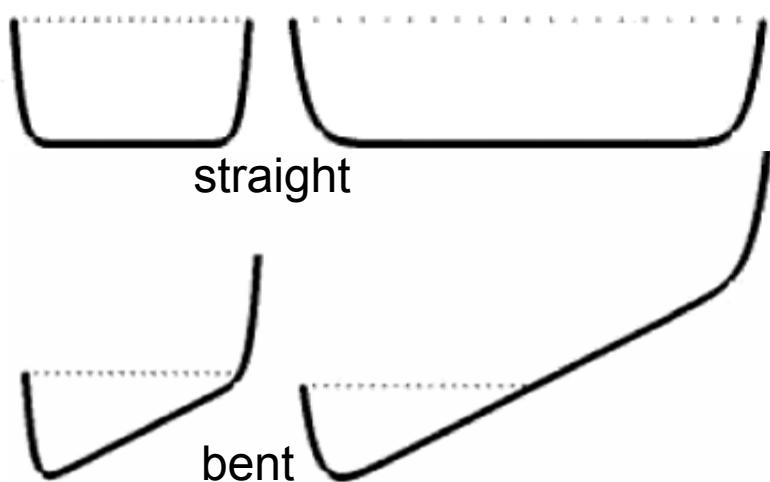
$$L_0 \equiv d / 2\theta_L$$

# Optimal nanotube diameter for GeV proton beam steering in bent chiral SWNTs

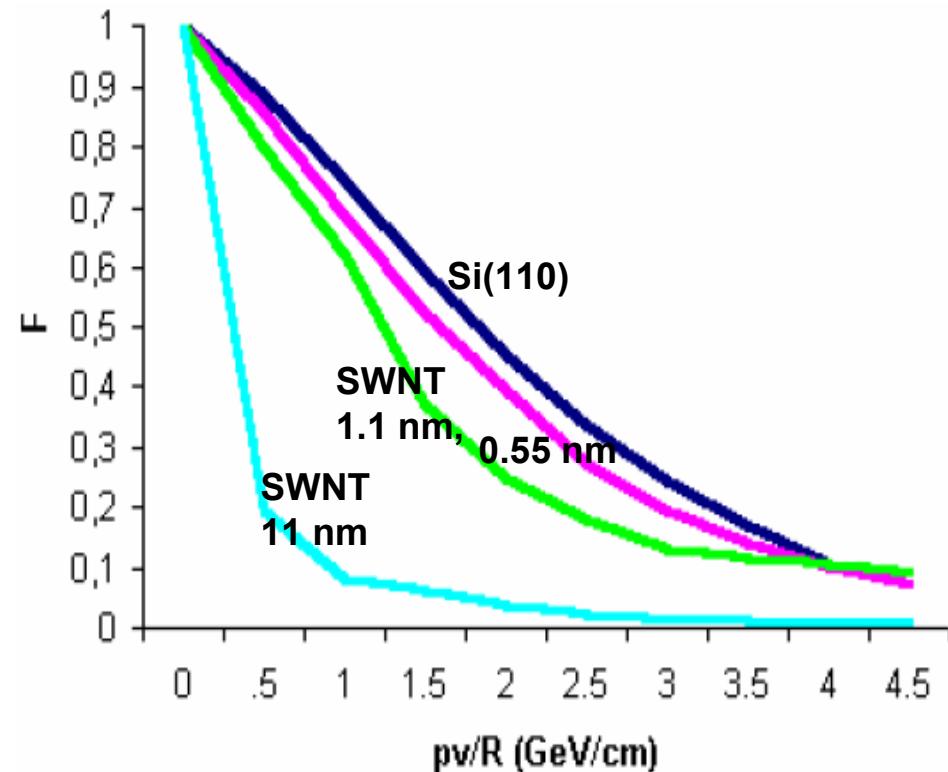
V.M. Biryukov and S. Bellucci, *Phys. Lett. B* 542 (2002) 111

Effective potentials inside narrow and wide SWNTs

$$U_{\text{eff}}(x) = U(x) + \frac{pv}{R} x$$



Fractions of channelled protons vs nanotube curvature  $pv / R$  for: Si(110) crystal channel and three SWNTs with different diameters

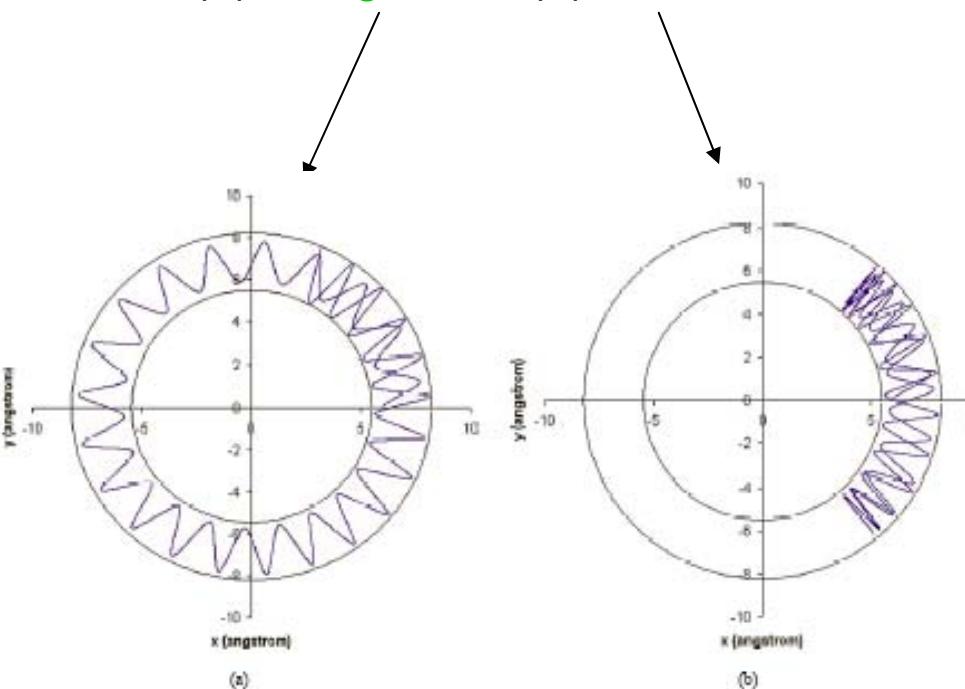


**Conclusion:** wide SWNTs are not more effective for beam steering

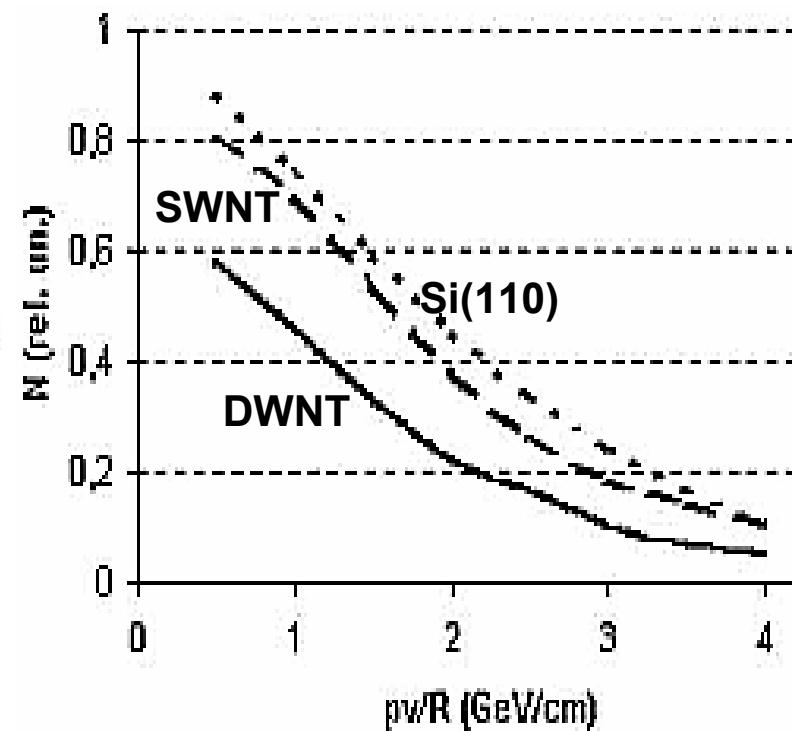
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Proton trajectories between the walls  
in (a) **straight** and (b) **bent** DWNT



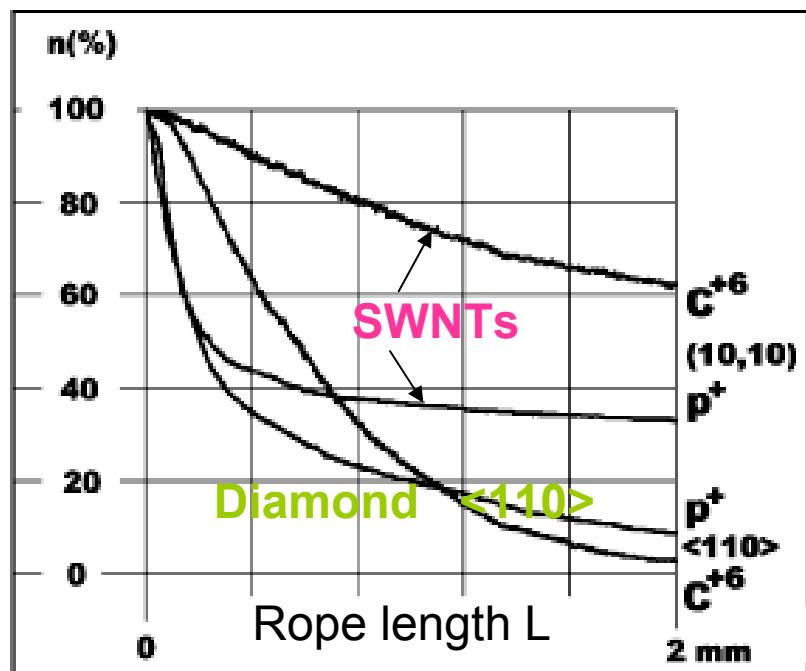
Fractions of protons channelled through:  
Si(110) crystal channel,  
SWNT with diameter 0.55 nm,  
and between walls of a DWNT



# Deflected beam fractions in bent ropes of SWNTs

## Rope of armchair SWNTs(10,10)

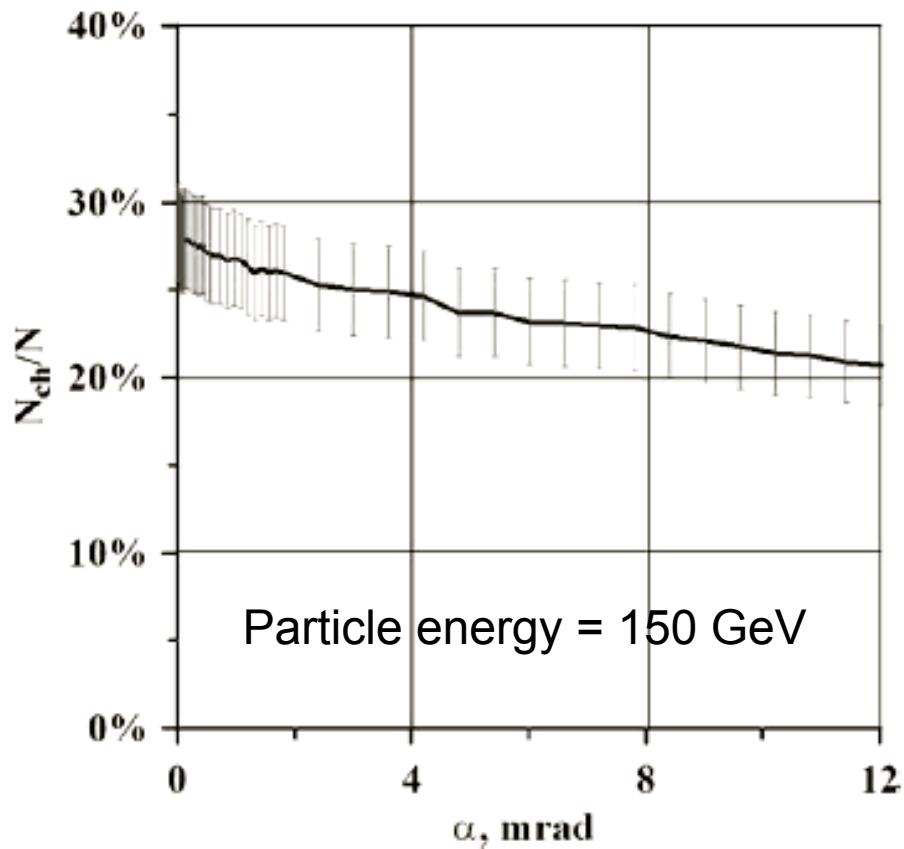
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Curvature radius  $R = 20$  cm  
Beam momentum=10 GeV/c

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# Canadian Rockies, Banff National Park, Alberta



# Theory of rainbows in short ropes of SWNTs

- Scattering angles depend on impact parameters ( $x_0, y_0$ ) and length L

$$\Theta_x = \Theta_x(x_0, y_0; L), \quad \Theta_y = \Theta_y(x_0, y_0; L)$$

- In the small-angle approximation for short nanotubes, the differential cross section for ion transmission is

$$\sigma \approx 1/|J|$$

- $J = \partial_x \Theta_x \partial_y \Theta_y - \partial_x \Theta_y \partial_y \Theta_x$  is the Jacobian of the mapping

$$(x_0, y_0) \rightarrow (\Theta_x, \Theta_y)$$

- Rainbow lines in the impact parameter plane are defined by

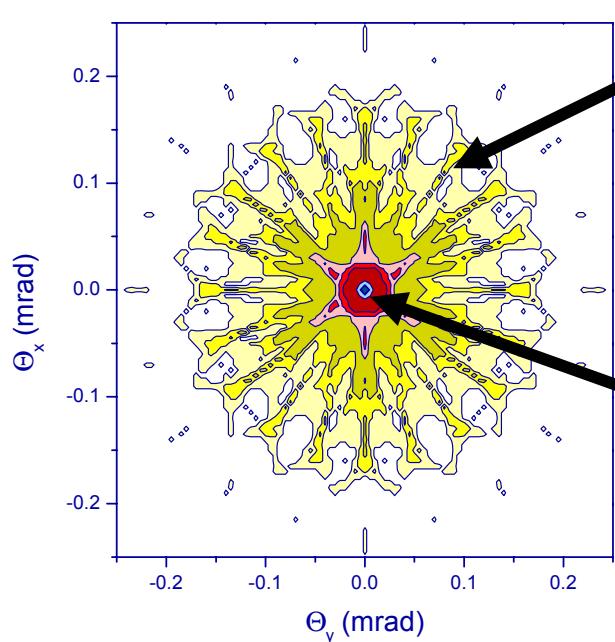
$$J(x_0, y_0; L) = 0$$

- Total potential is sum over all atomic rows on all nanotubes in the rope
- Could be used for precise measurements of the interaction potentials and thus of the electron density in carbon nanotubes

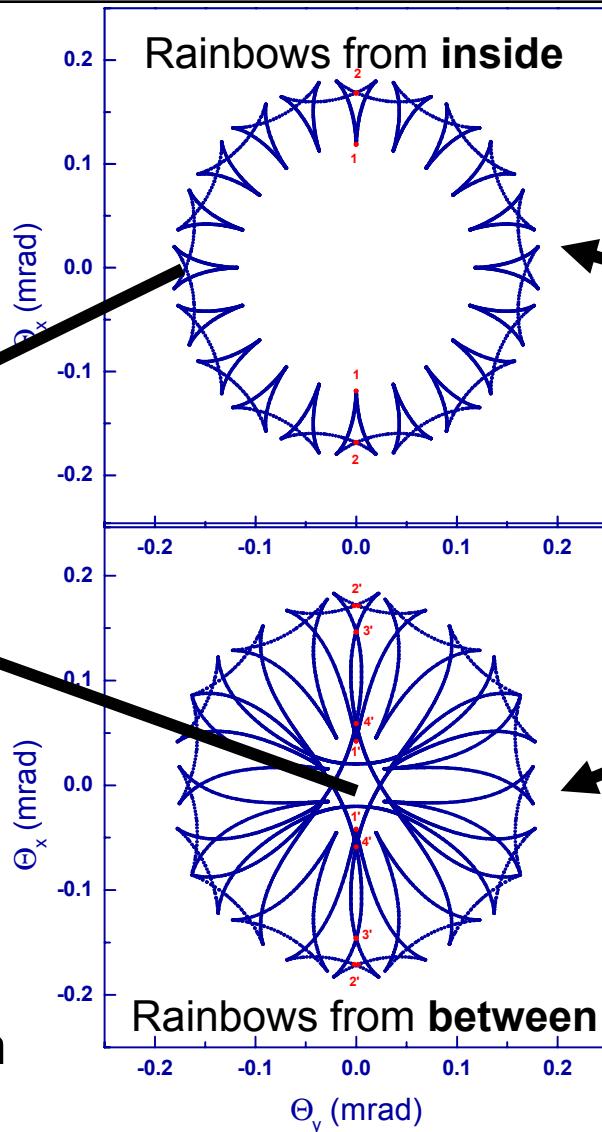
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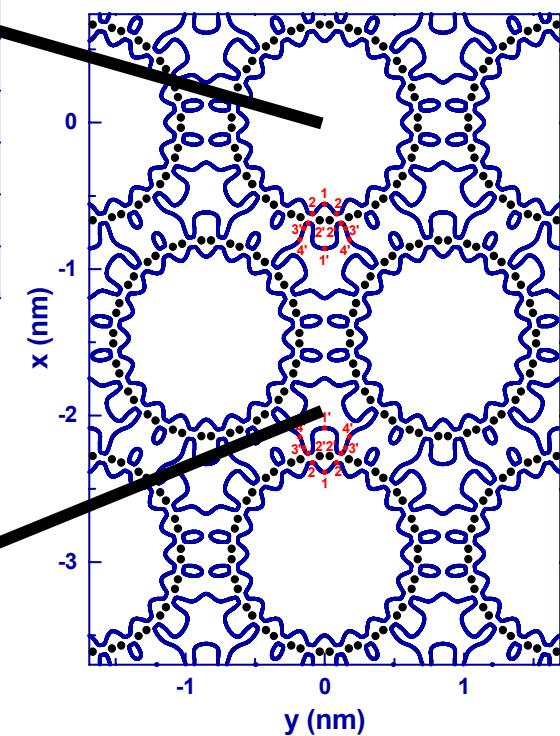
Angular distribution



Rope length 1  $\mu\text{m}$



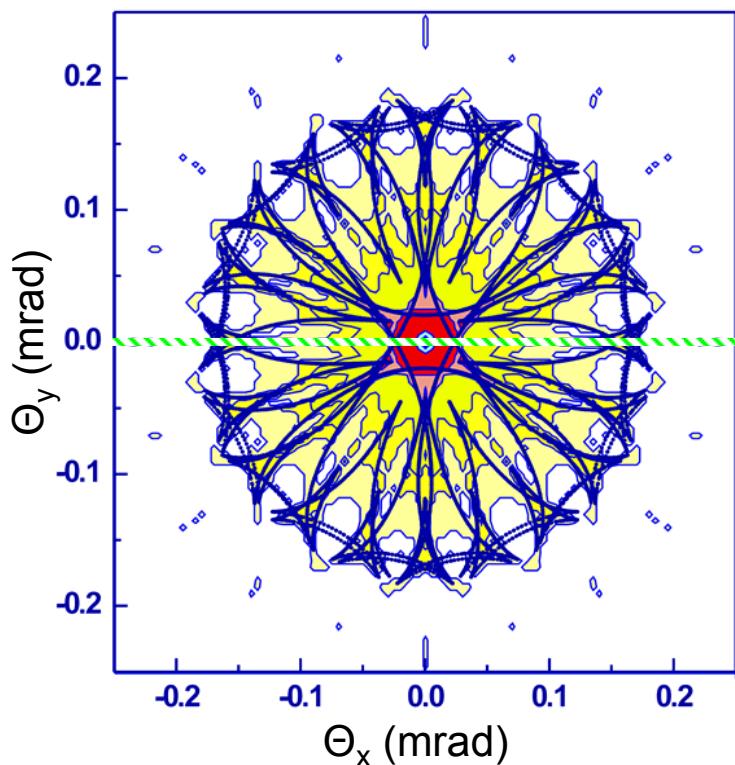
Rainbow lines in the impact parameter plane



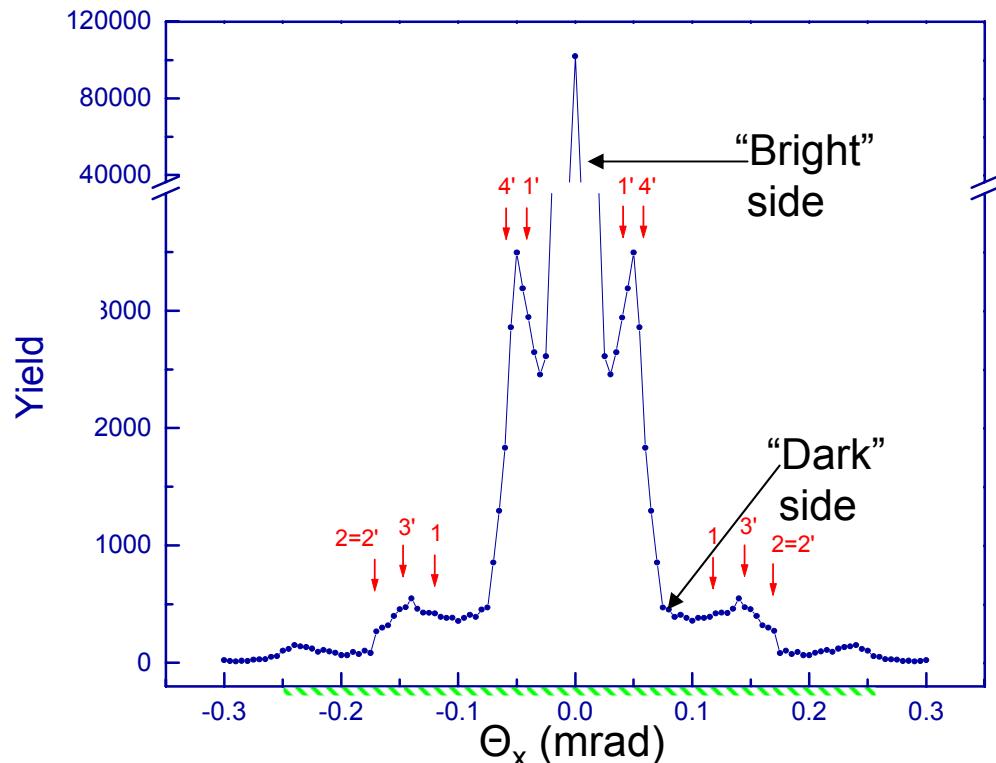
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Angular distribution  
with rainbow lines



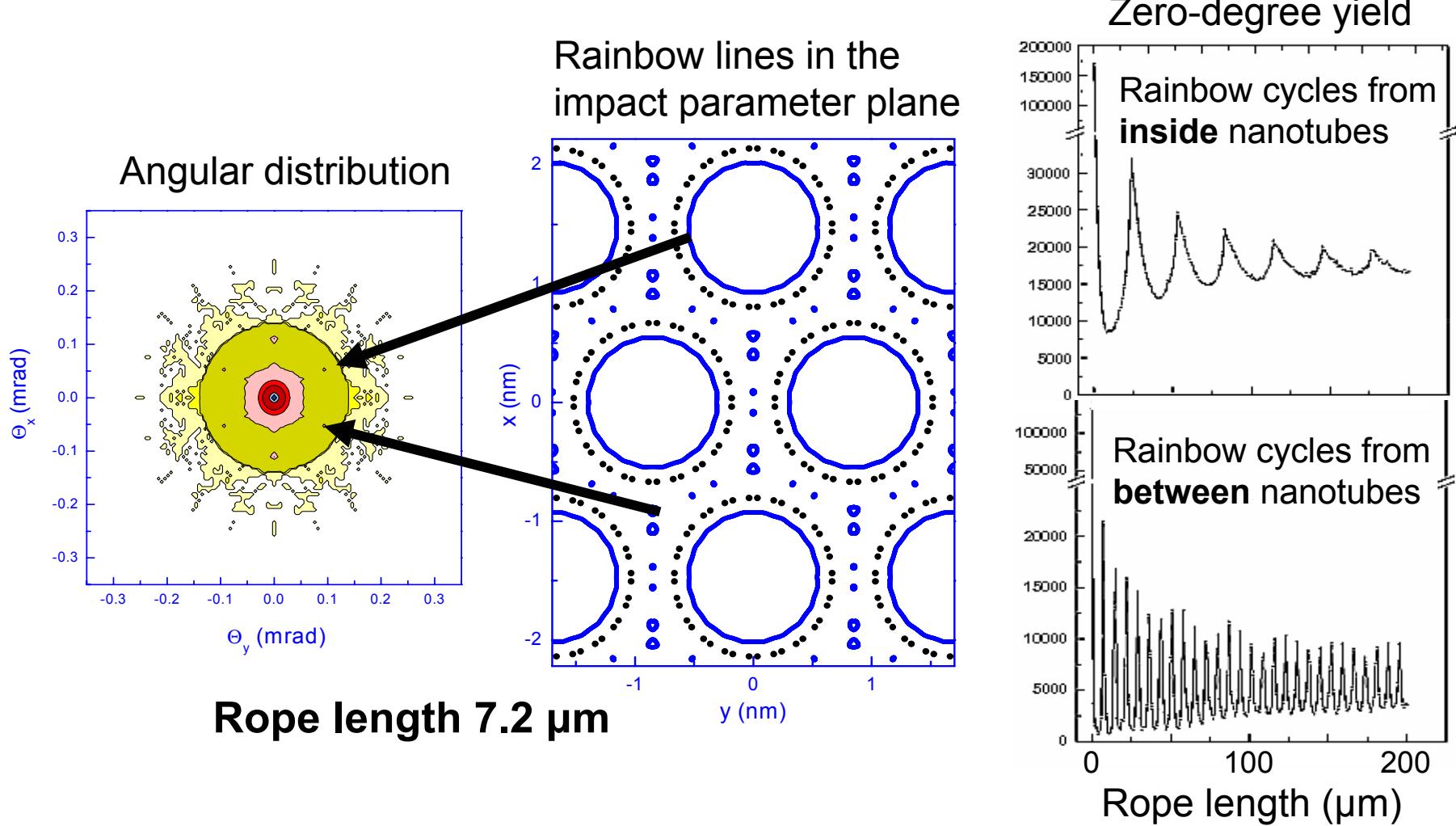
Yield of protons along  $\Theta_x$  line



Rope length 1  $\mu\text{m}$

# Rainbow effect after 1GeV proton channelling through longer ropes of armchair SWNTs(10,10)

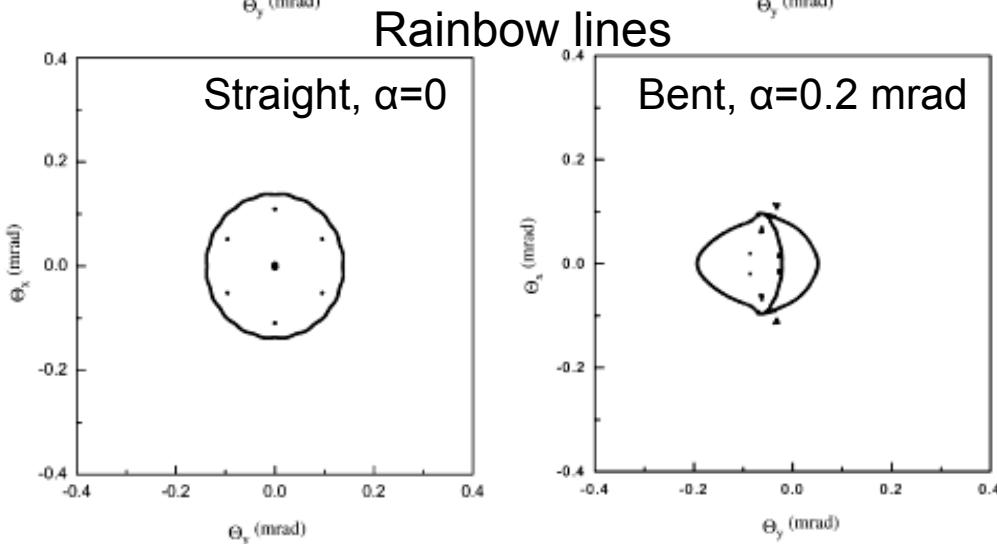
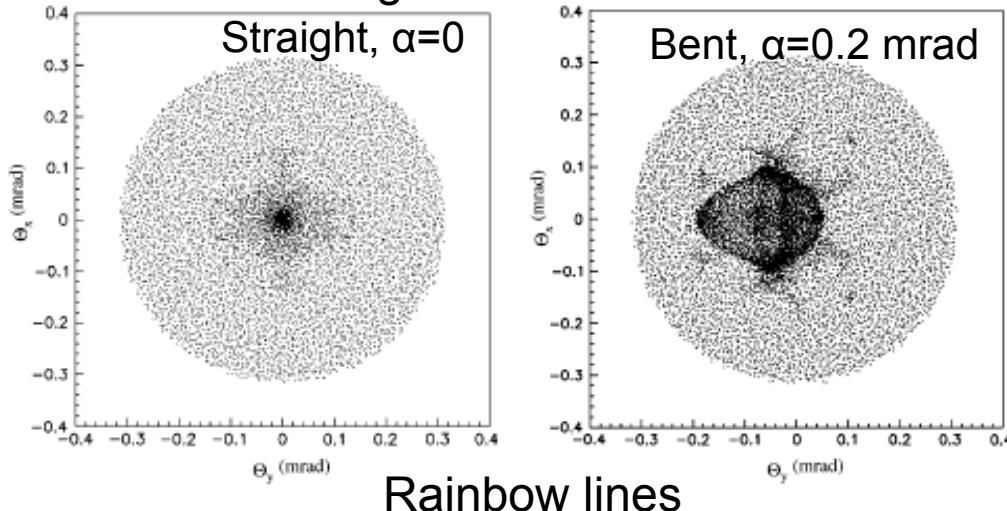
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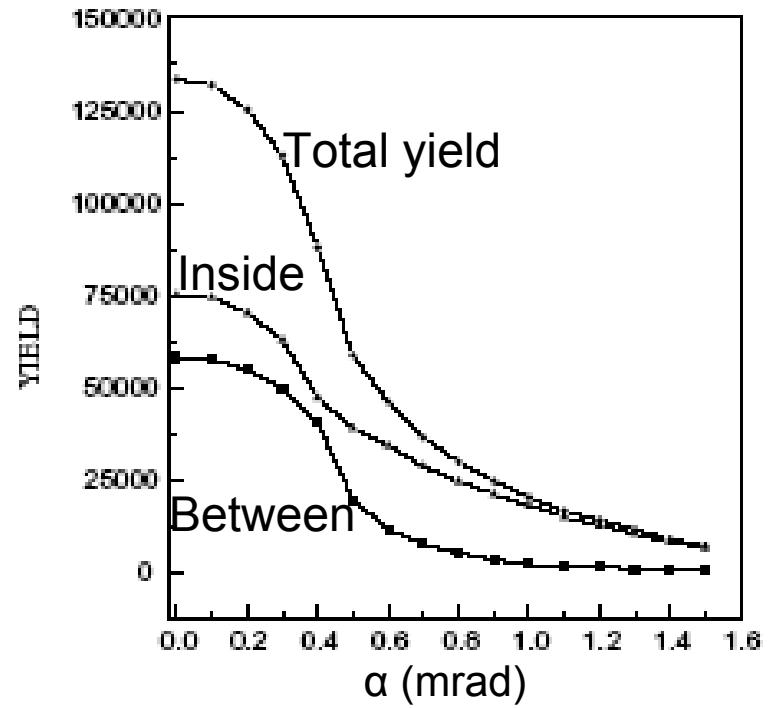
# Channeling of 1 GeV protons through a bent rope of armchair SWNTs (10,10)

N. Neskovic *et al.*, *Nucl. Instr. Meth. B* 230 (2005) 106

## Angular distributions



Yields of protons transmitted inside and between nanotubes vs bending angle in 7  $\mu\text{m}$  rope

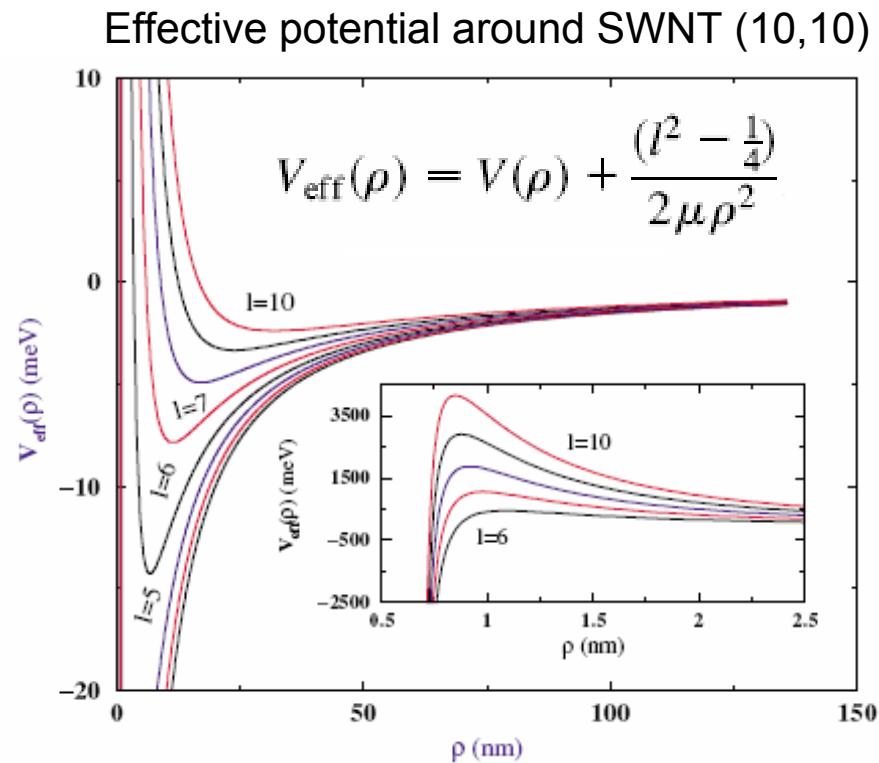
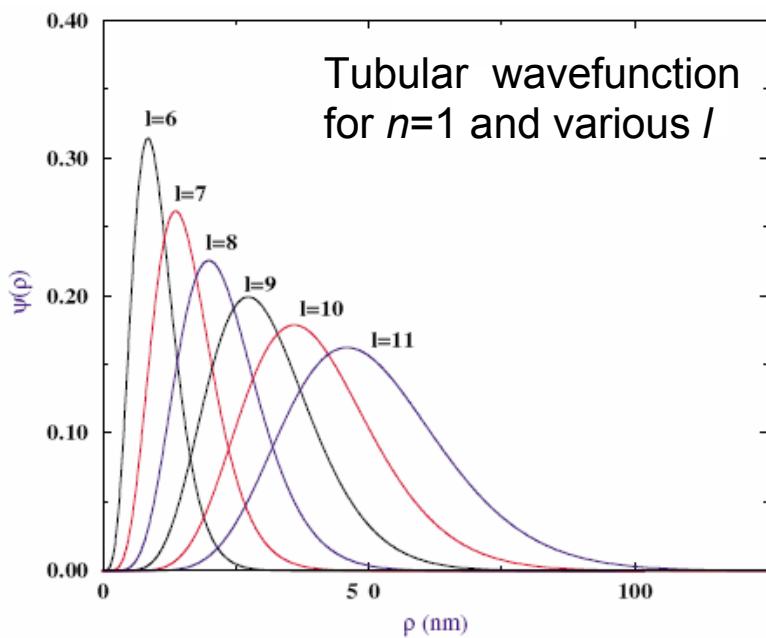
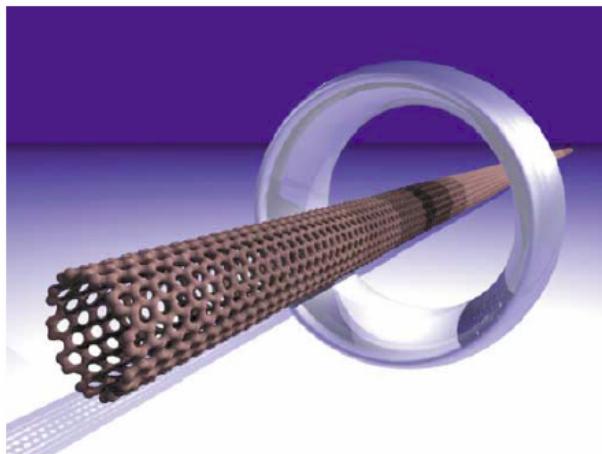


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# Electron image states around carbon nanotubes

Theoretical prediction: B.E. Granger *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 89 (2002) 135506



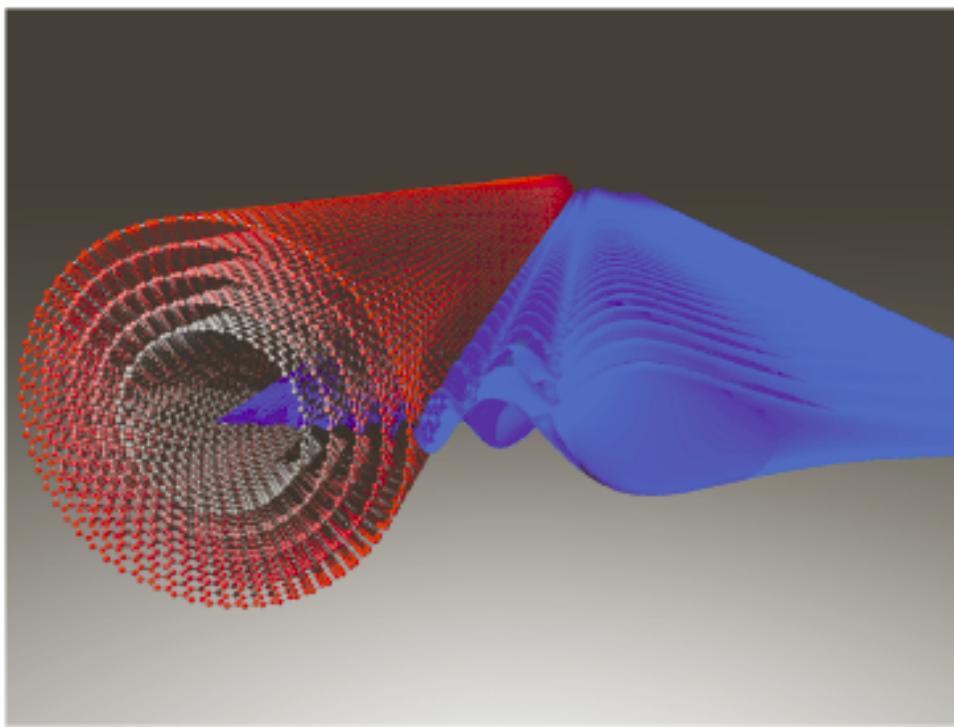
Approximate image potential

$$V(\rho_0) \approx \frac{2q^2}{\pi a} \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots} \text{li}\left[\left(a/\rho_0\right)^n\right]$$

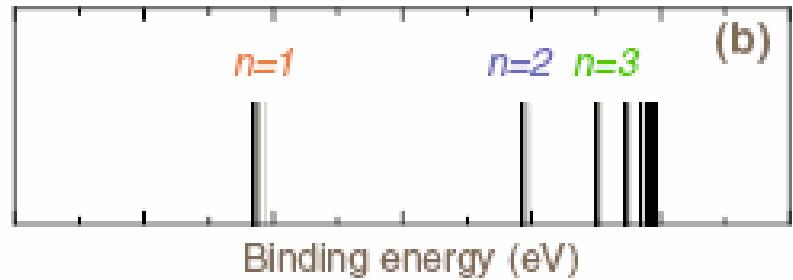
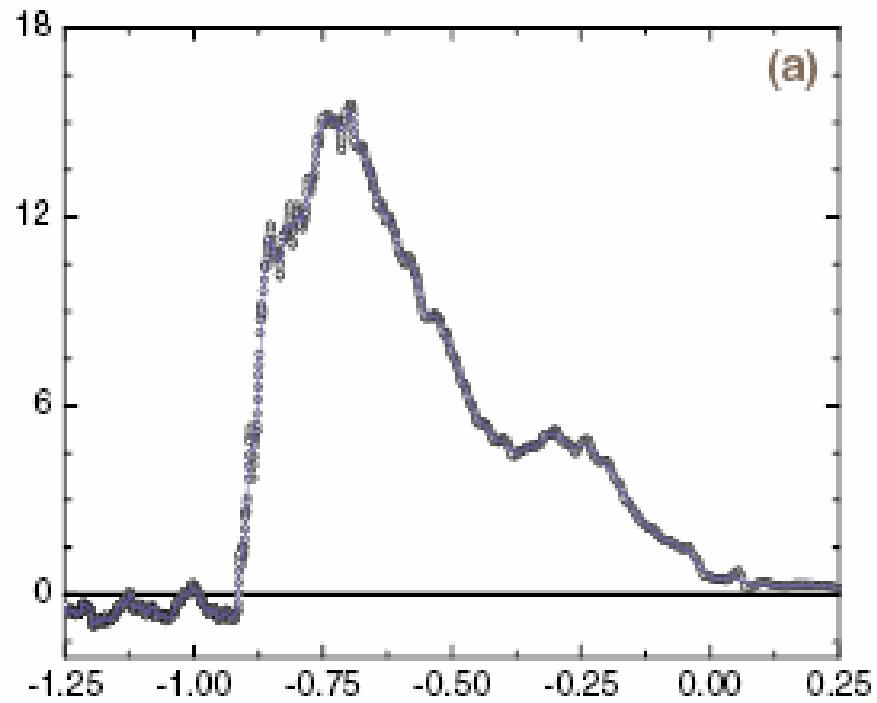
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Experimental confirmation: M. Zamkov *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 93 (2004) 156803

Visualization of electron  
wavefunction with  $n=3$ ,  $l=1$

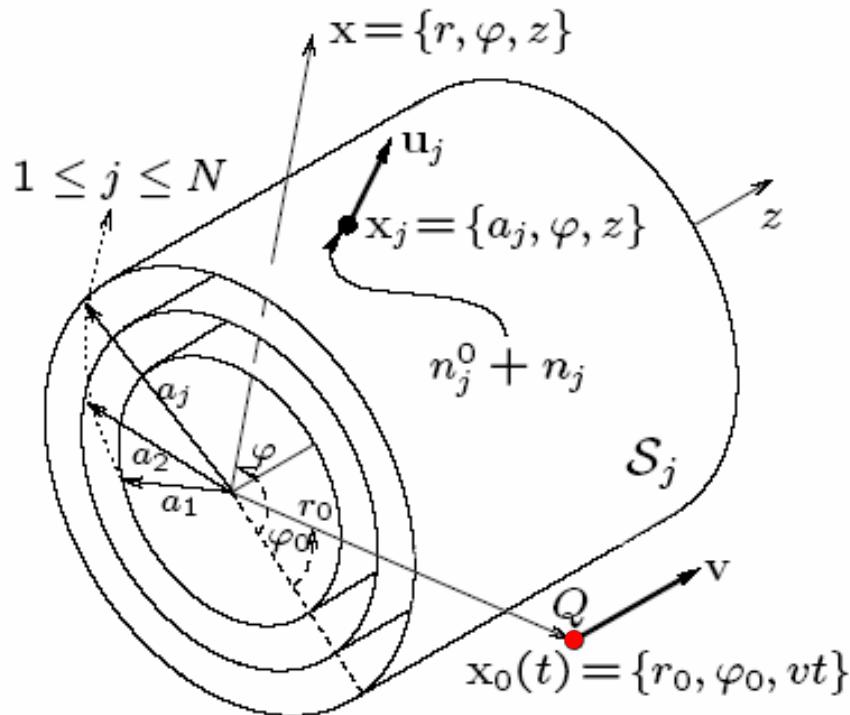


Photoelectron signal from image state



# 2D hydrodynamic model of electron response

D.J. Mowbray *et al.*, Phys. Rev. B 70 (2004) 195418



$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial n_j(\mathbf{x}_j, t)}{\partial t} &= -n_j^0 \nabla_j \cdot \mathbf{u}_j(\mathbf{x}_j, t) \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_j(\mathbf{x}_j, t)}{\partial t} &= \nabla_j \Phi(\mathbf{x}, t)|_{r=a_j} - \frac{\alpha_j}{n_j^0} \nabla_j n_j(\mathbf{x}_j, t) \\ &\quad + \frac{\beta}{n_j^0} \nabla_j [\nabla_j^2 n_j(\mathbf{x}_j, t)] - \gamma_j \mathbf{u}_j(\mathbf{x}_j, t) \\ \Phi(\mathbf{x}, t) &= \frac{Q}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0(t)\|} - \sum_j \int d^2 \mathbf{x}'_j \frac{n_j(\mathbf{x}'_j, t)}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'_j\|}\end{aligned}$$

Stopping power

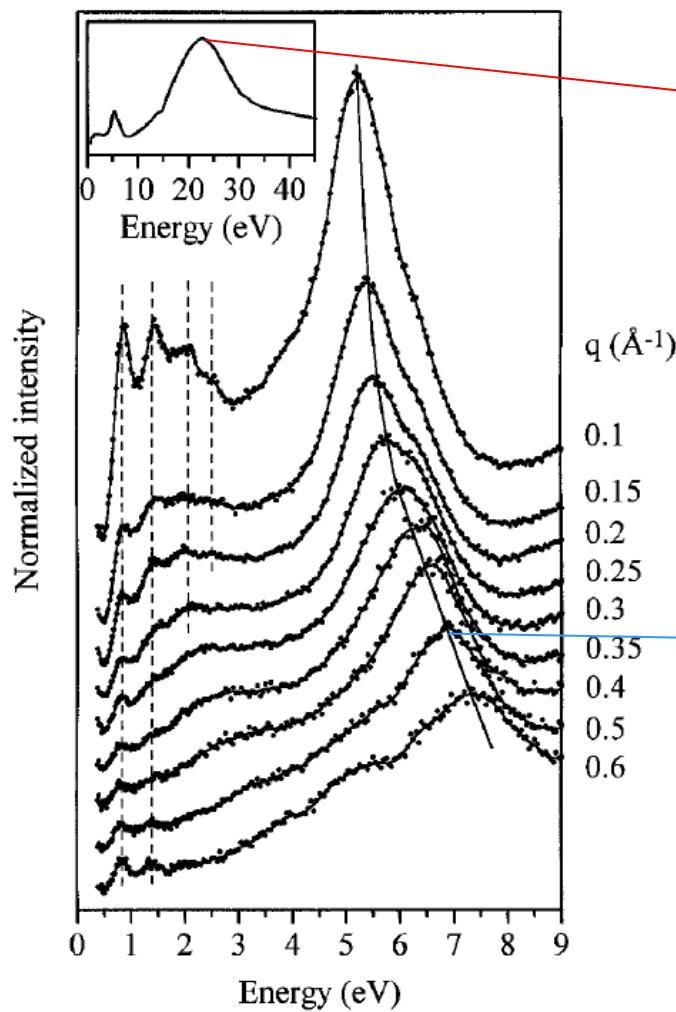
$$S = Q \frac{\partial \Phi_{ind}}{\partial z} \Big|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{x}_0(t)}$$

Self-energy (image potential)

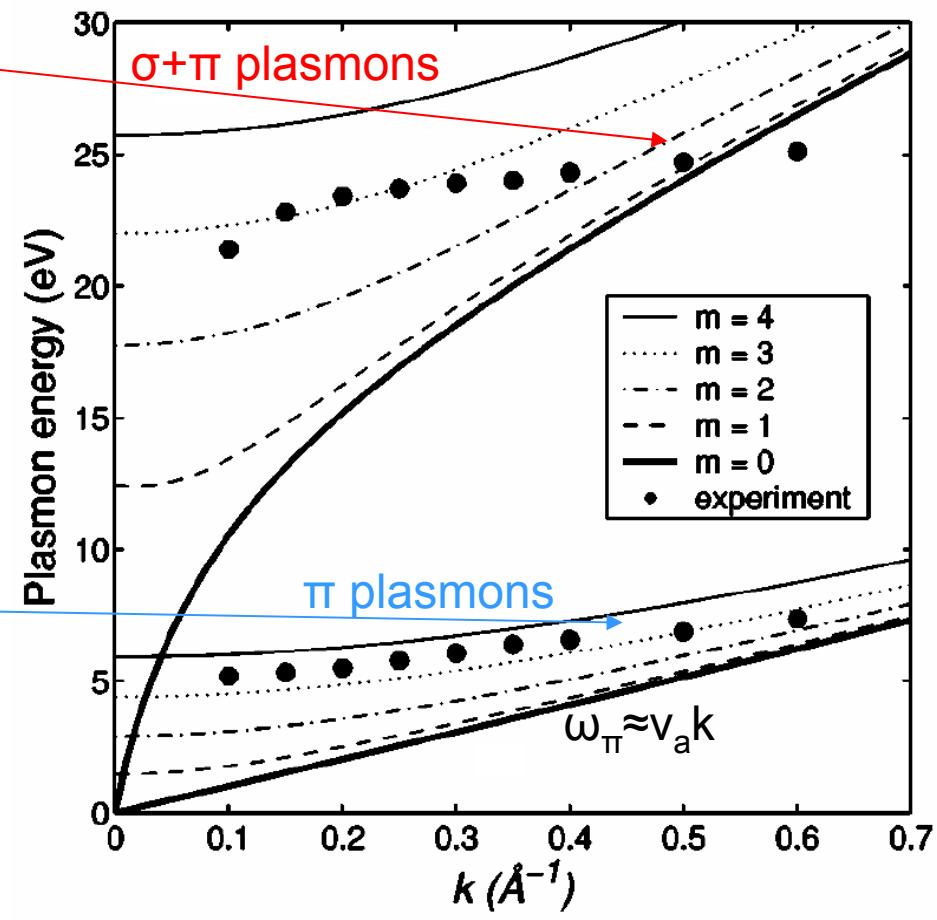
$$E_s = -\frac{Q}{2} \Phi_{ind} \Big|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{x}_0(t)}$$

# Plasmon spectra: $\sigma$ and $\pi$ electrons on SWNT

EELS experiment: T. Pichler *et al.*,  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* 80 (1998) 4729

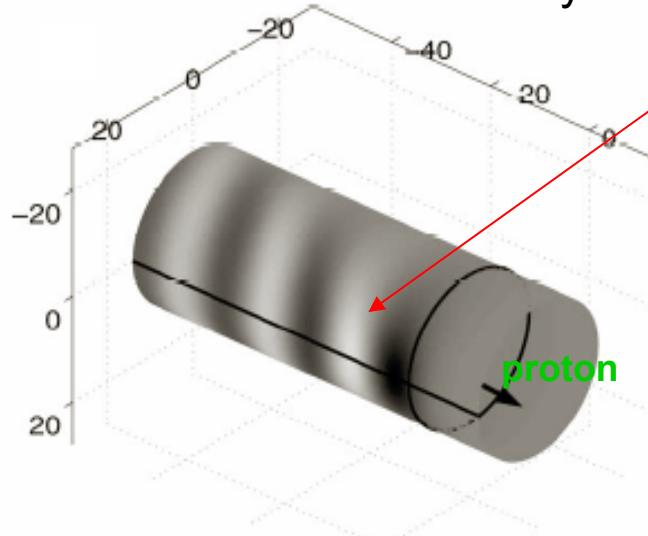


Theoretical plasmon dispersion:  
Two-fluid model



# Dynamic polarization of electrons on SWNT by proton

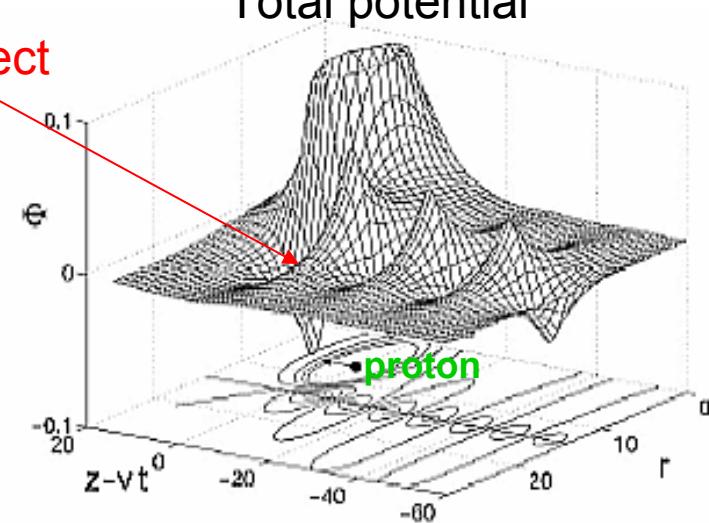
Induced electron density



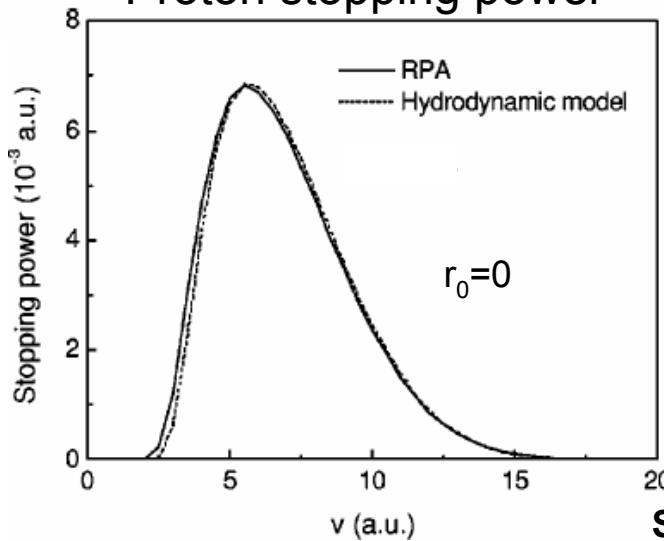
Wake effect

$$\begin{aligned}v &= 3 \text{ a.u.} \\r_0 &= a/2 \\a &= 13 \text{ a.u.}\end{aligned}$$

Total potential

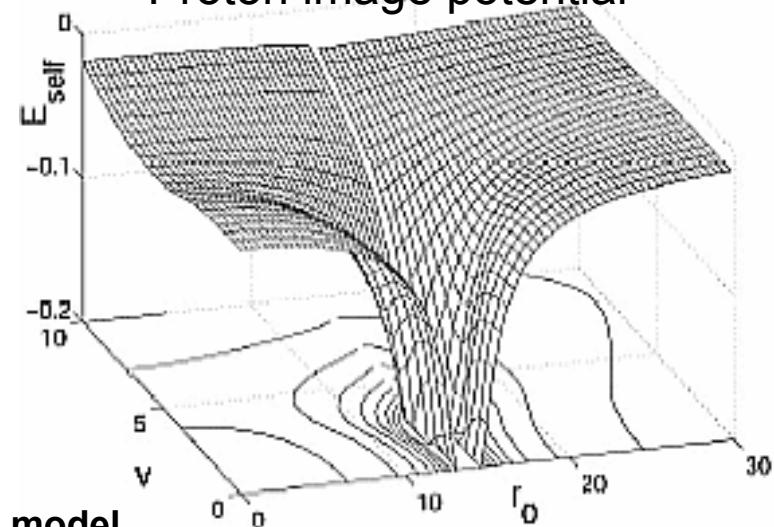


Proton stopping power

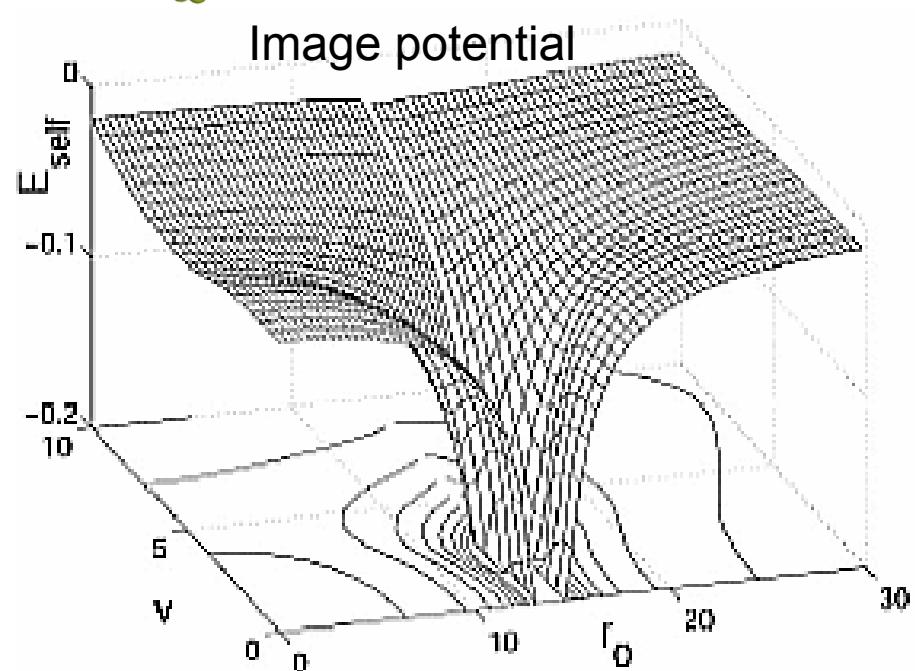
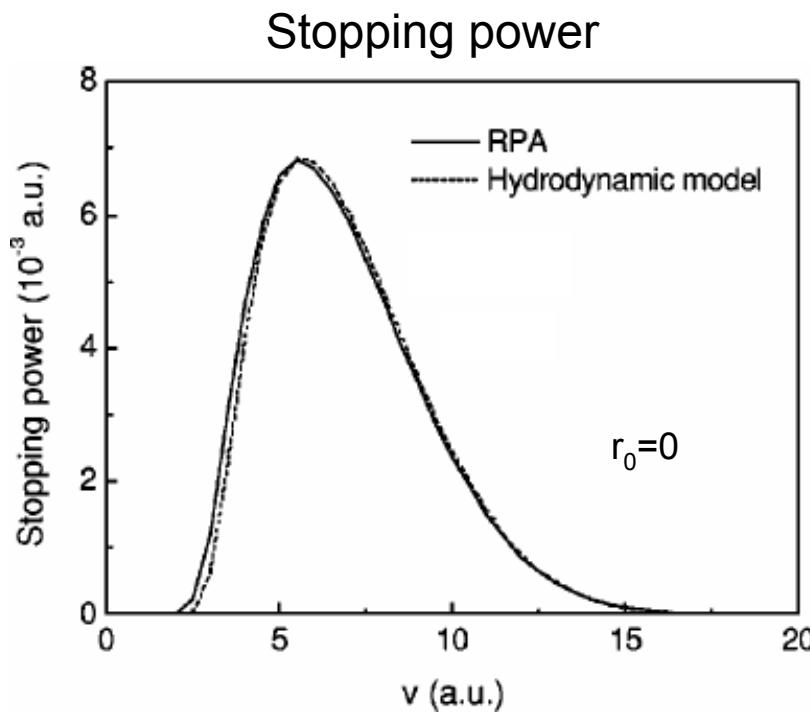
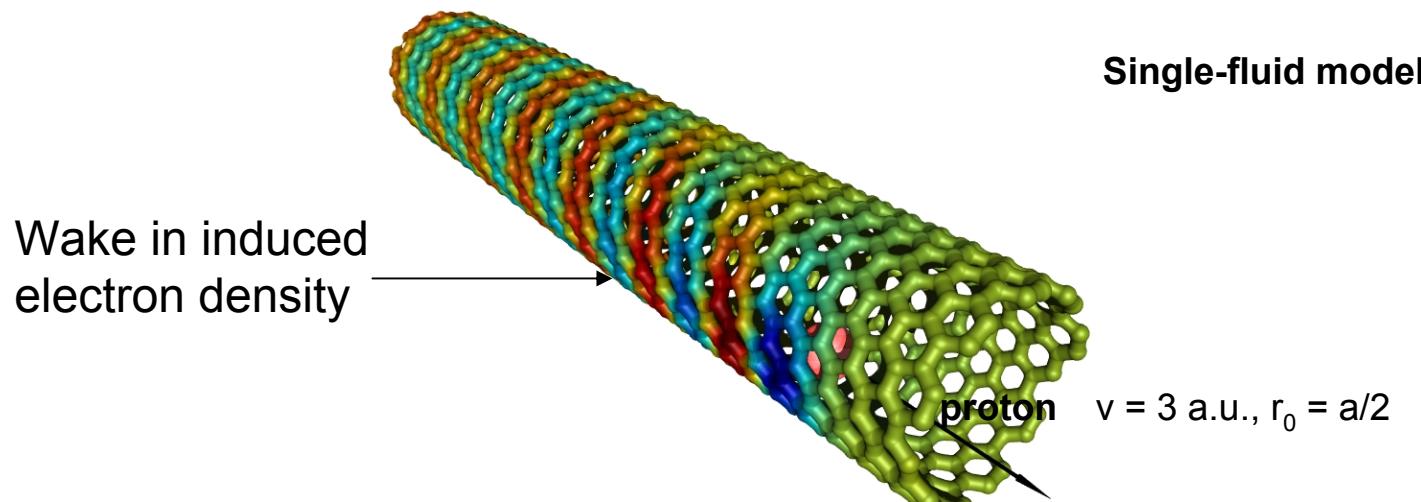


Single-fluid model

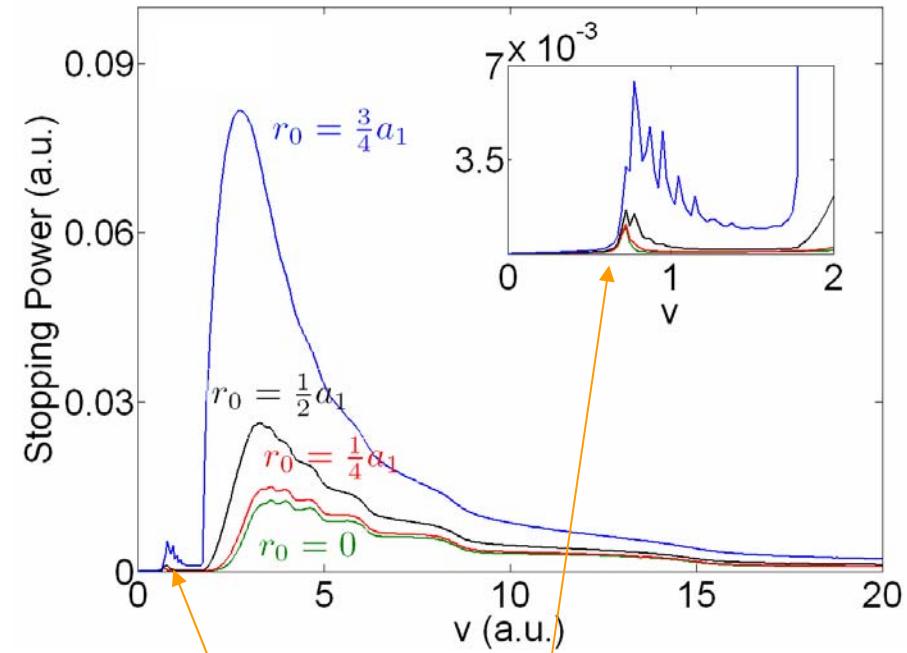
Proton image potential



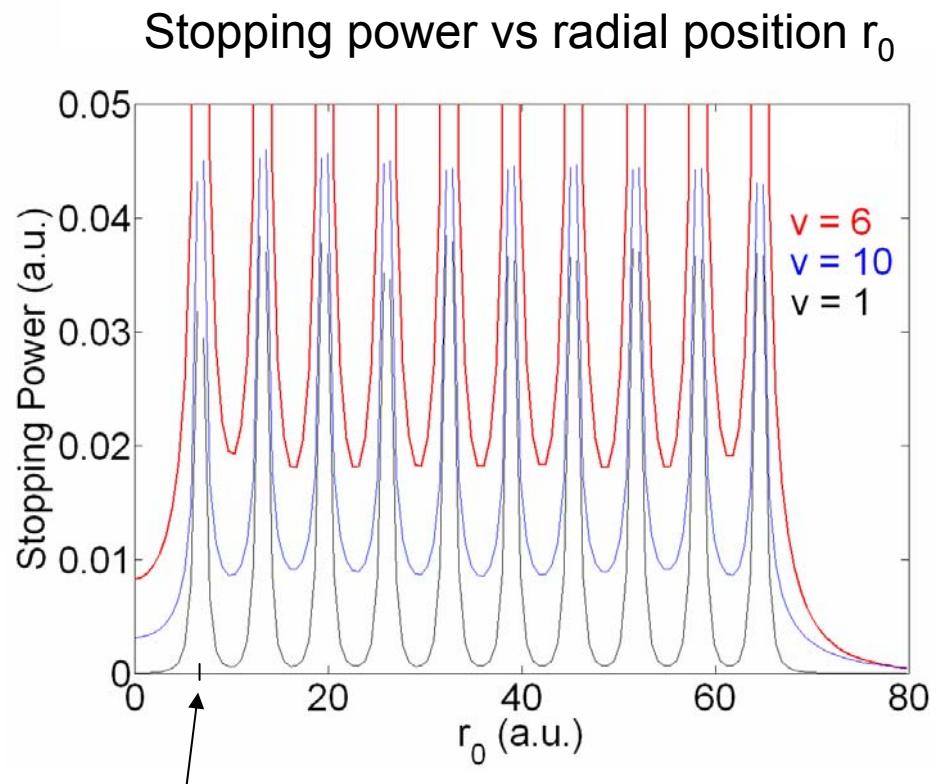
# Dynamic polarization of electrons on SWNT by proton



# Proton stopping power for MWNT with $N = 10$ walls

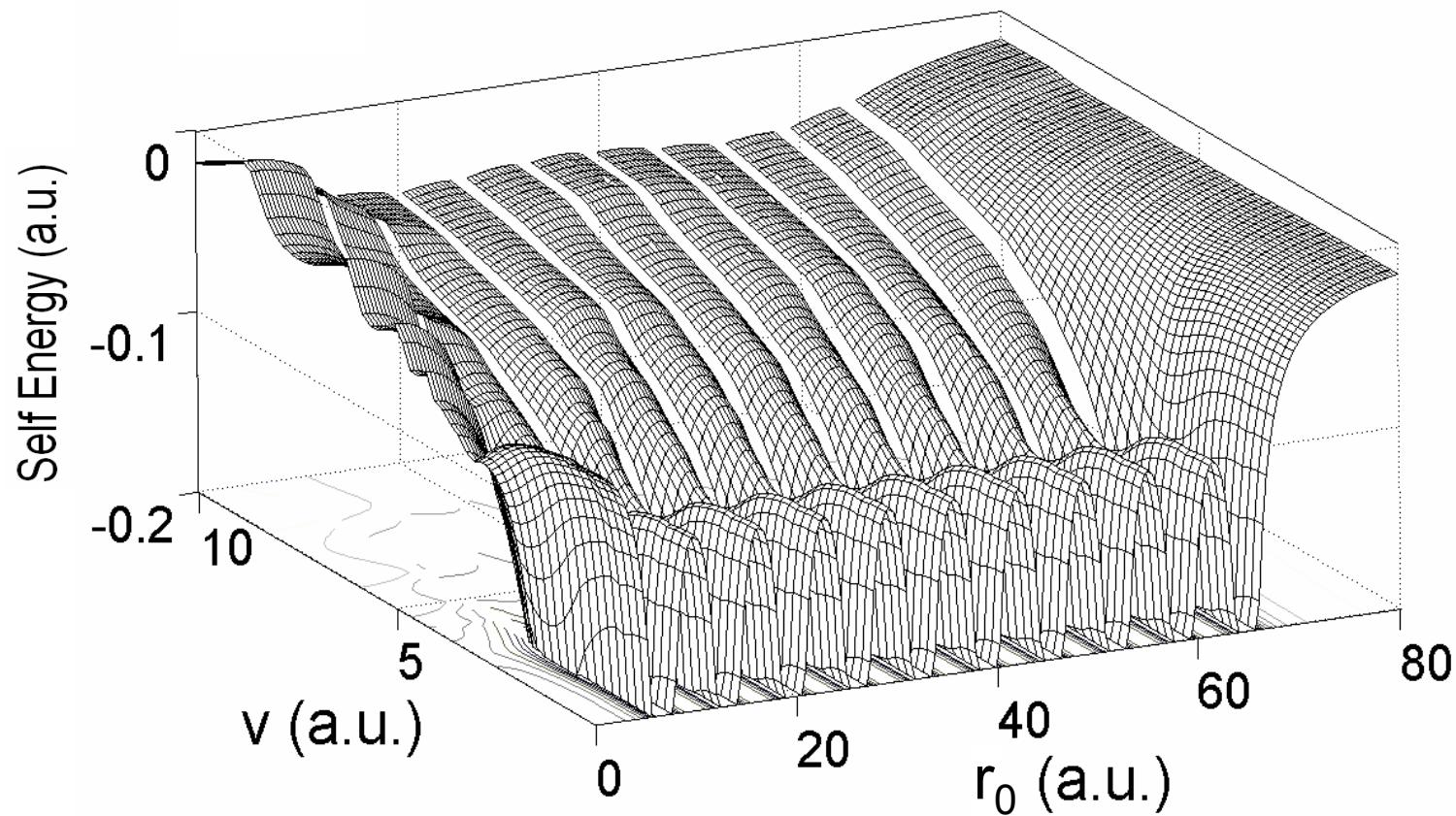


Calculations done with **two-fluid model**:  
 Notice **low-speed features** due to quasi-acoustic  $\pi$  plasmons having dispersion relation  $\omega_{\pi} \approx v_a k$  with the acoustic speed  $v_a = (3\pi n_0 / 8)^{1/2} \approx 0.7$  a.u..



$$a_1 \approx 6.8 \text{ a.u.}$$

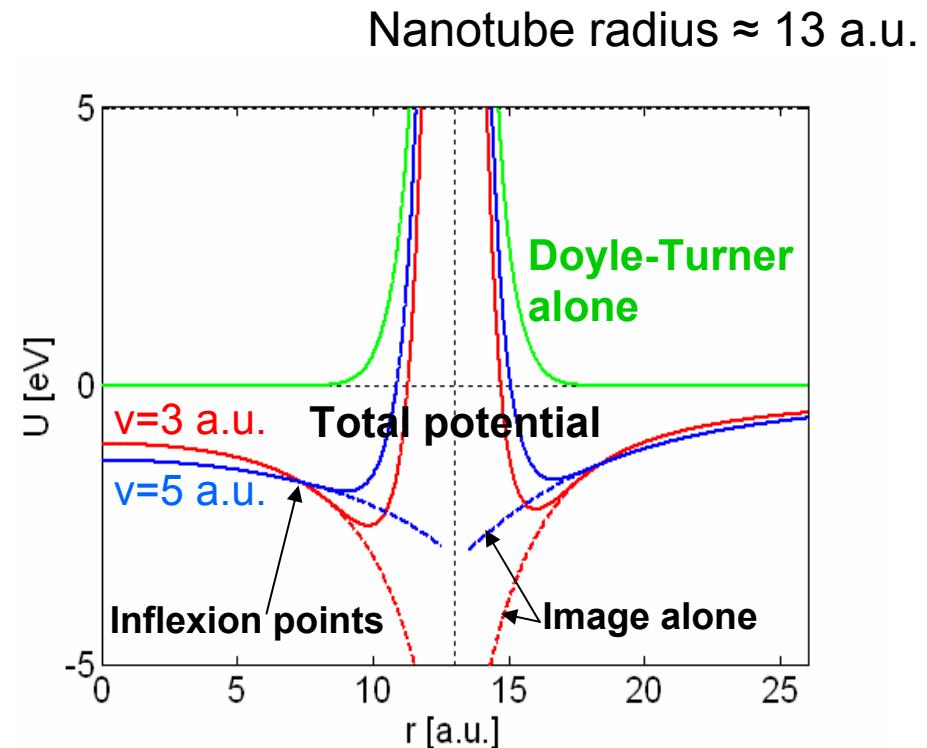
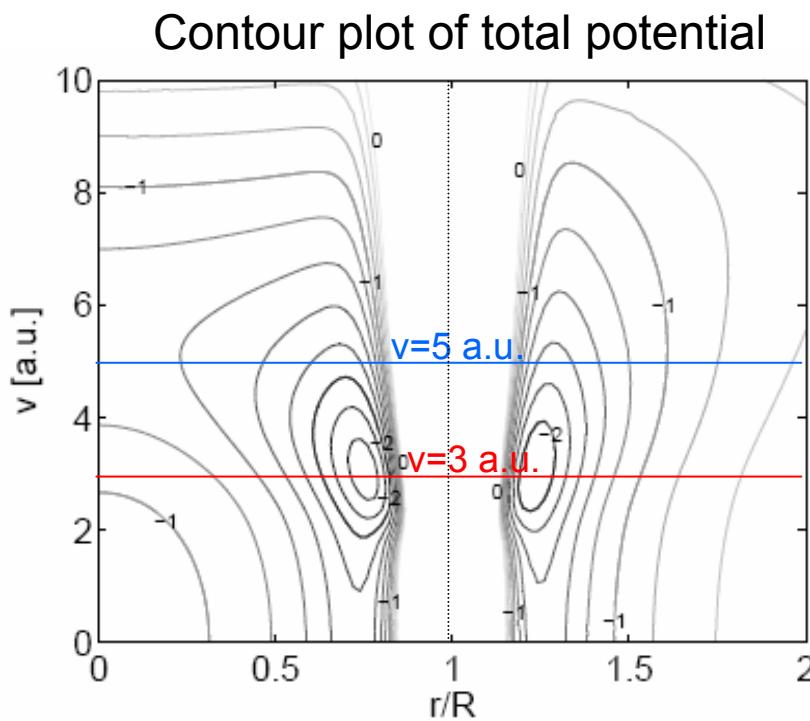
# Proton self energy (image potential) for MWNT with $N = 10$ walls (single-fluid model)



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# Total potential for proton moving parallel to a chiral SWNT<sub>(11,9)</sub> with image and Doyle-Turner potentials



$$U_{im}(r) = \frac{Z_1^2}{\pi} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} P \int_0^{\infty} dk I_m^2(kr_<) K_m^2(kr_>) \frac{4\pi n_0 R (k^2 + m^2/R^2)}{(kv)^2 - \omega_m^2(k)}$$

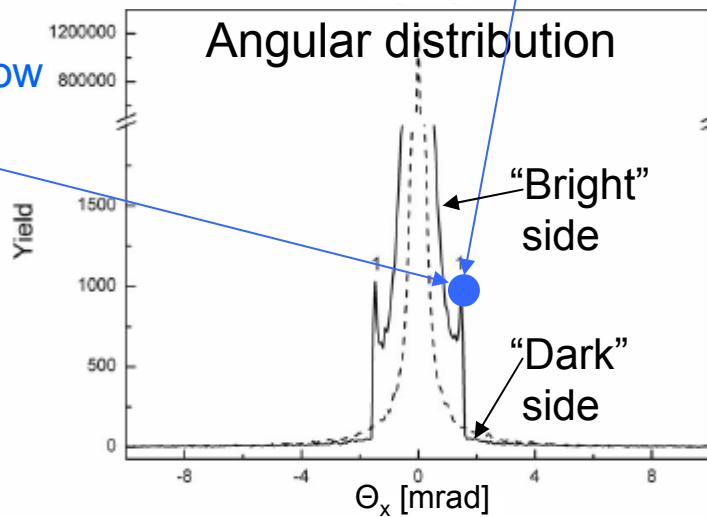
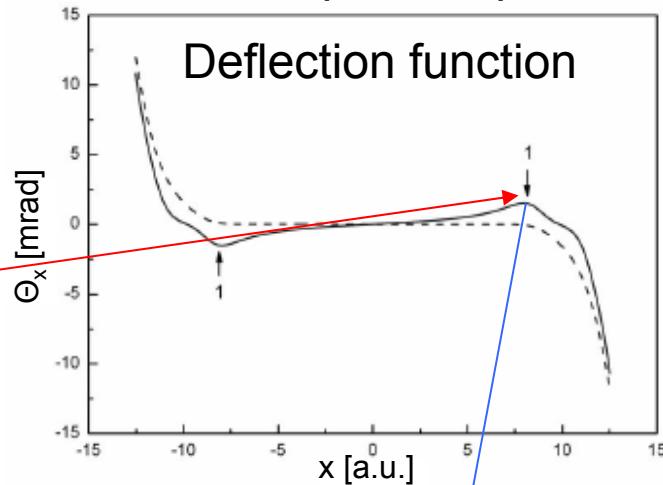
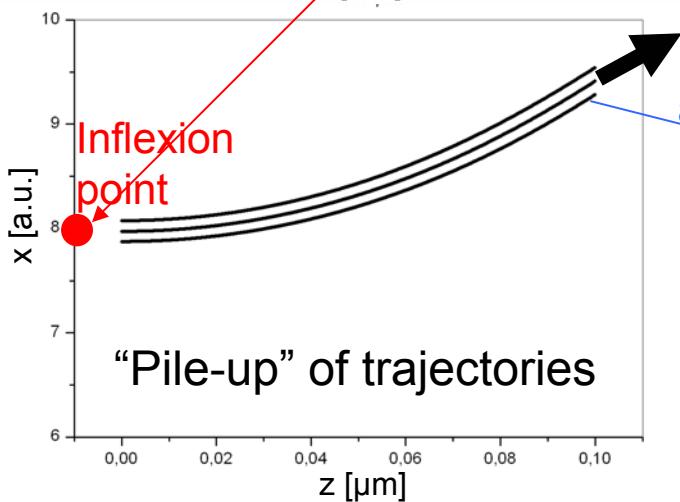
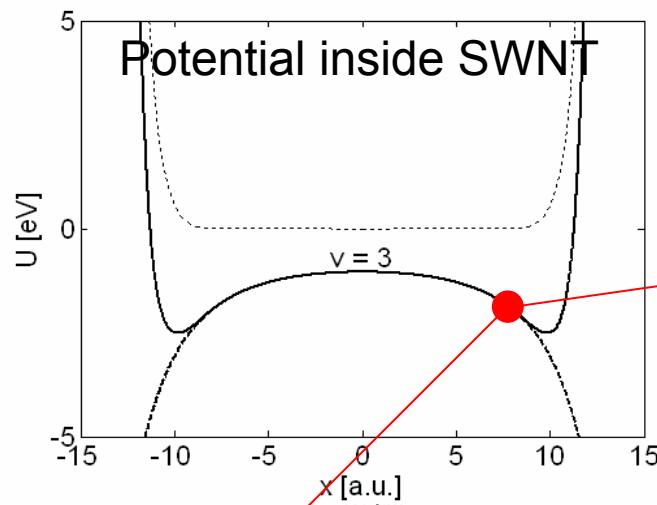
$$\omega_m^2(k) = (k^2 + m^2/R^2) \left[ v_s^2 + 4\pi n_0 R I_m(kR) K_m(kR) \right], \quad r_< = \min(r, R), \quad r_> = \max(r, R)$$

$$U_{DT}(r) = 4\pi n_0 R Z_1 Z_2 \sum_{j=1}^4 a_j b_j^2 I_0(2b_j^2 R r) \exp \left[ -b_j^2 (r^2 + R^2) \right]$$

# Rainbow effect for proton channelling in short chiral SWNT<sub>(11,9)</sub> with image & Doyle-Turner potentials

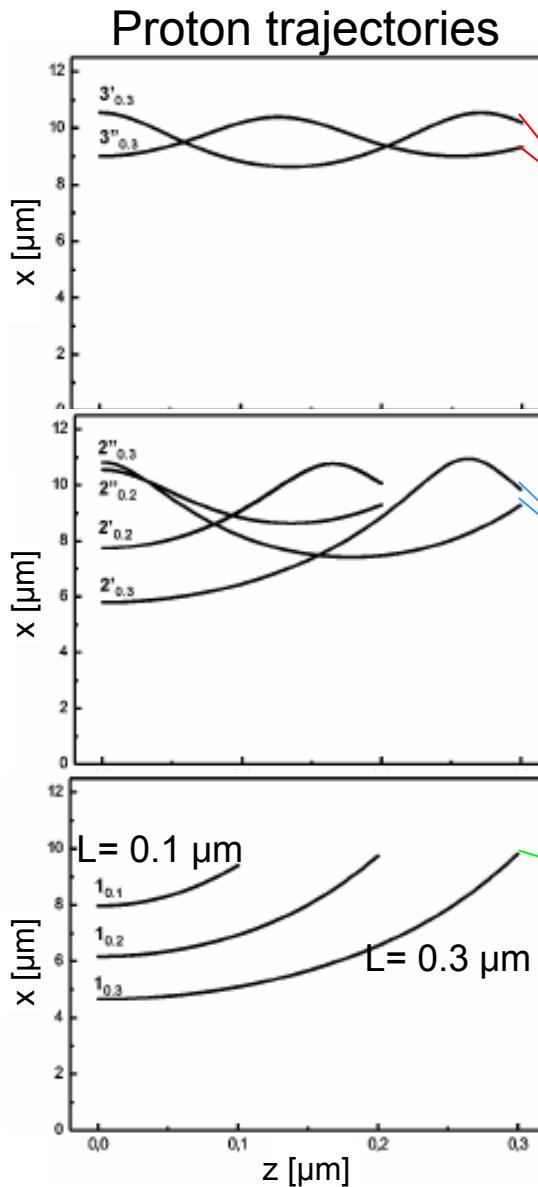
$$J = \left( \frac{L}{2E} \right)^2 \frac{1}{2r} \frac{d}{dr} \left[ \frac{dU(r)}{dr} \right]^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{1}{|J|} \rightarrow \infty$$

Nanotube length L = 0.1 μm  
proton speed v = 3 a.u.

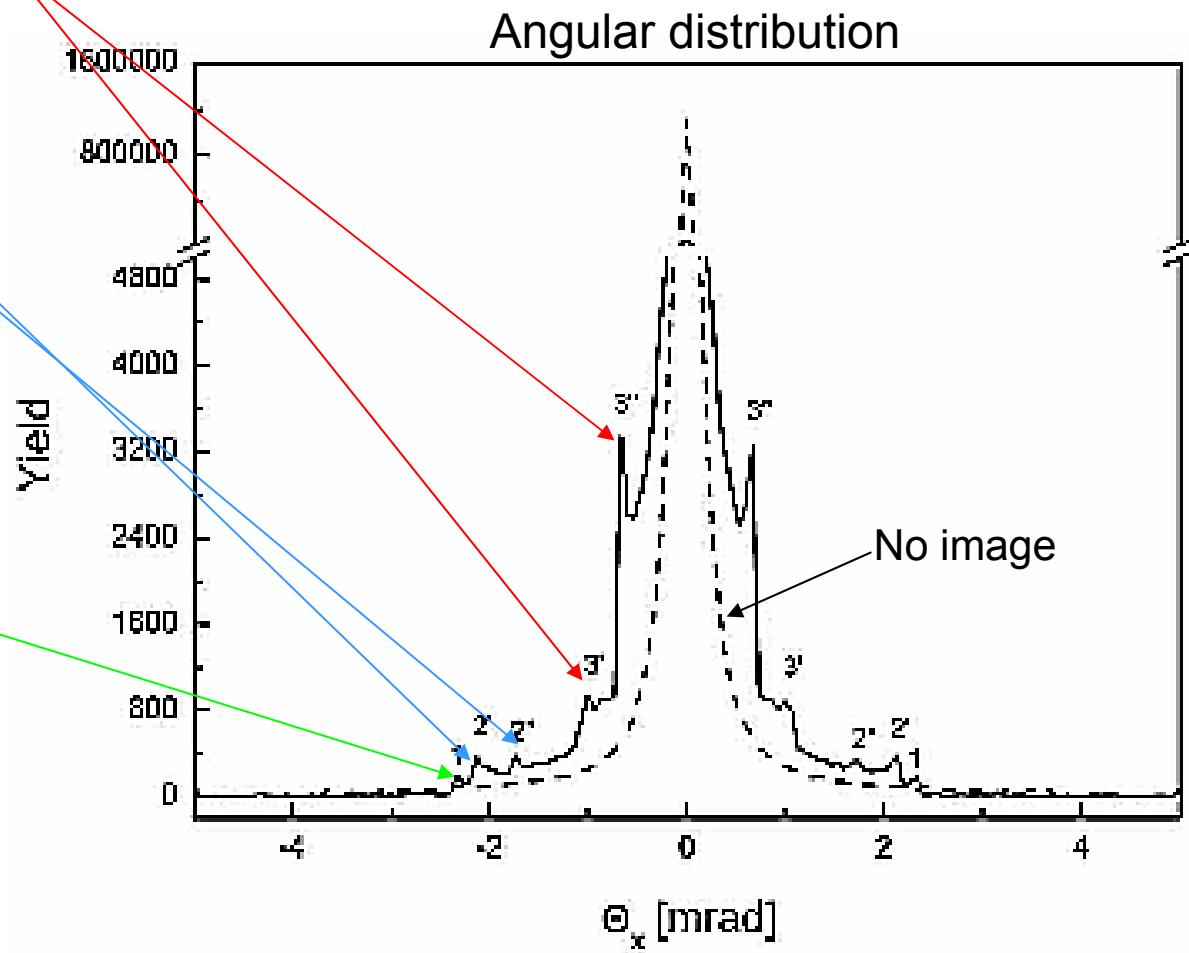


# Formation of multiple rainbows in chiral SWNT(11,9)

D. Borka *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. A*, in press (2006)



Nanotube length  $L = 0.3 \mu\text{m}$   
proton speed  $v = 3 \text{ a.u.}$



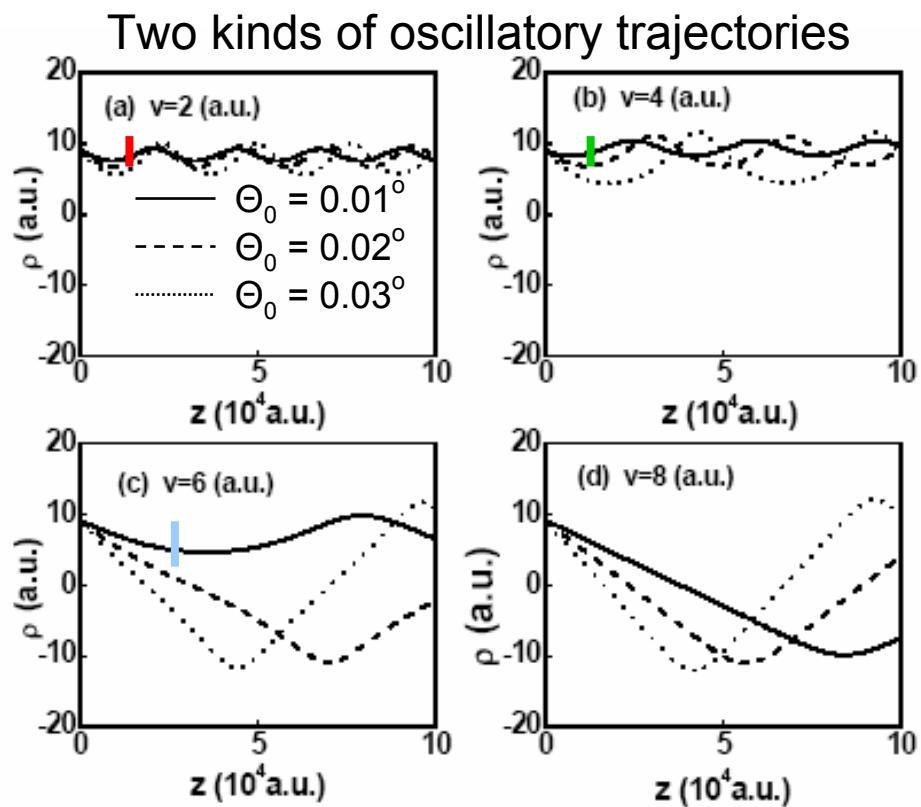
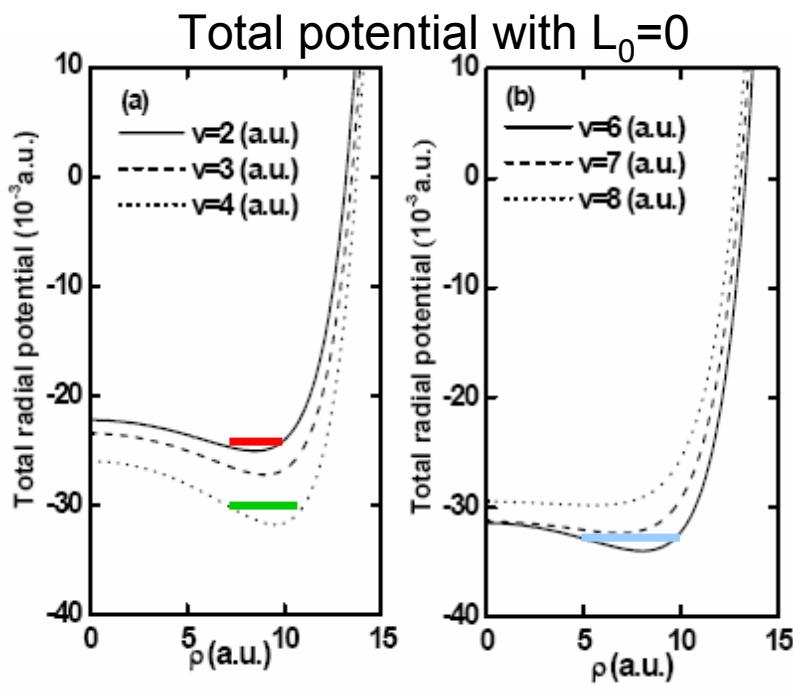
# Proton channelling through a wider & longer chiral SWNT with image and Moliere potentials

D.P. Zhou *et al.*, Phys. Rev. A 72 (2005) 23202

$$M\ddot{\rho} = F_{\rho}^{(n)} + F_{\rho}^{(p)} + \frac{L_0^2}{M\rho^3}, \quad M\ddot{z} = F_z^{(p)}, \quad M\rho^2\dot{\phi} = L_0,$$

Moliere & image forces, stopping force; angular momentum

Nanotube radius = 20 a.u.

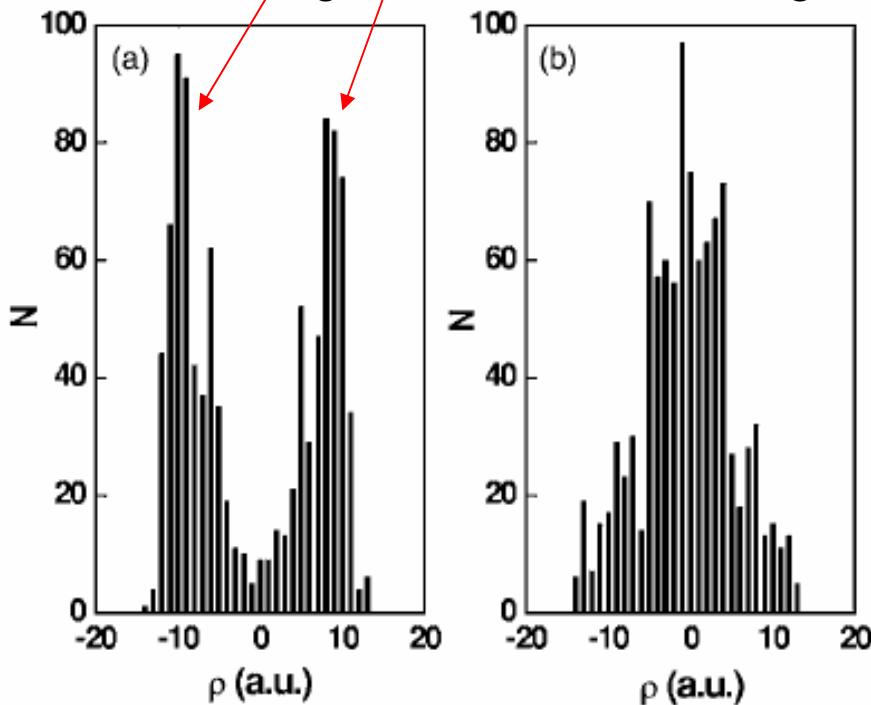


# Creation of hollow nano-beam of protons after channelling through a SWNT due to image force

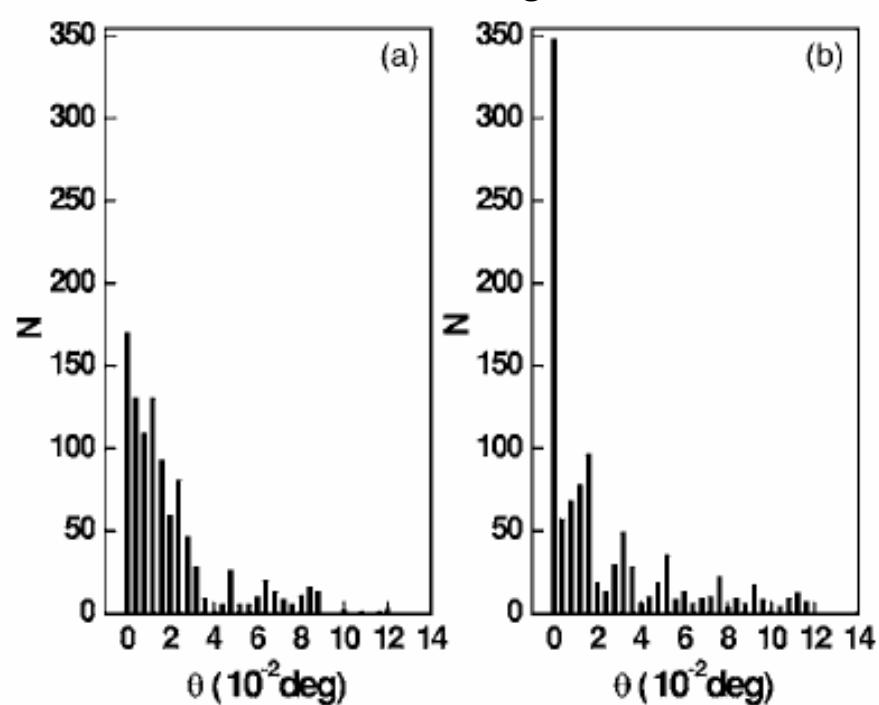
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Proton speed = 4 a.u., NT radius = 20 a.u., NT length =  $10^5$  a.u.

Radial distributions of ion flux after channelling **with** and without image



Angular distributions after channelling **with** and without image interaction



# Coulomb explosions during H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> channelling in SWNT

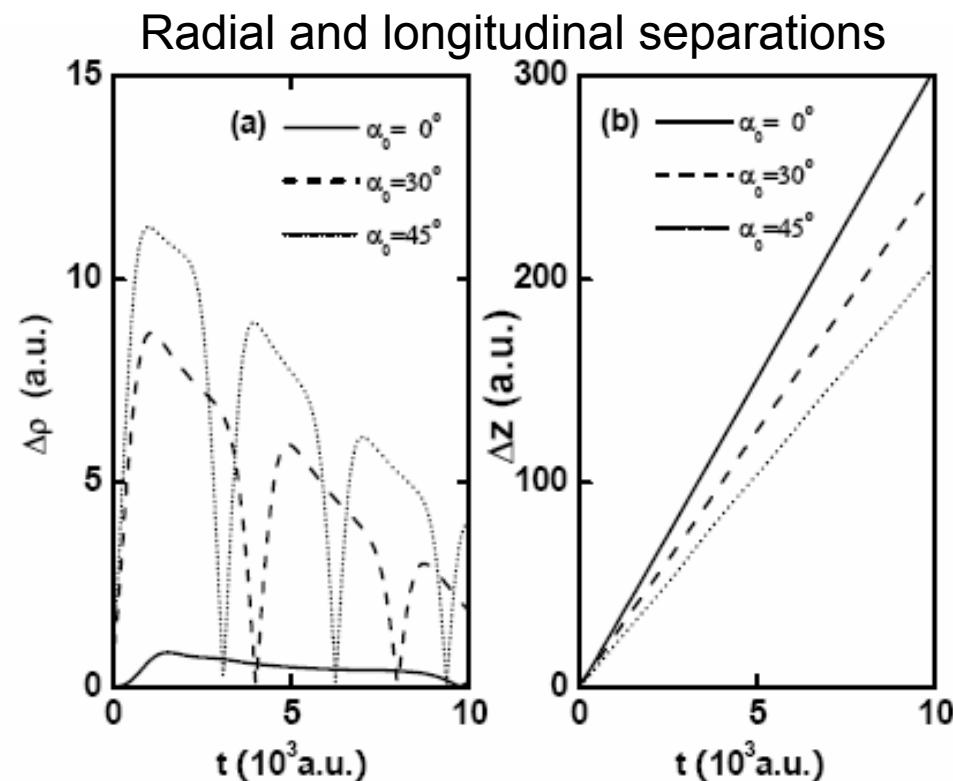
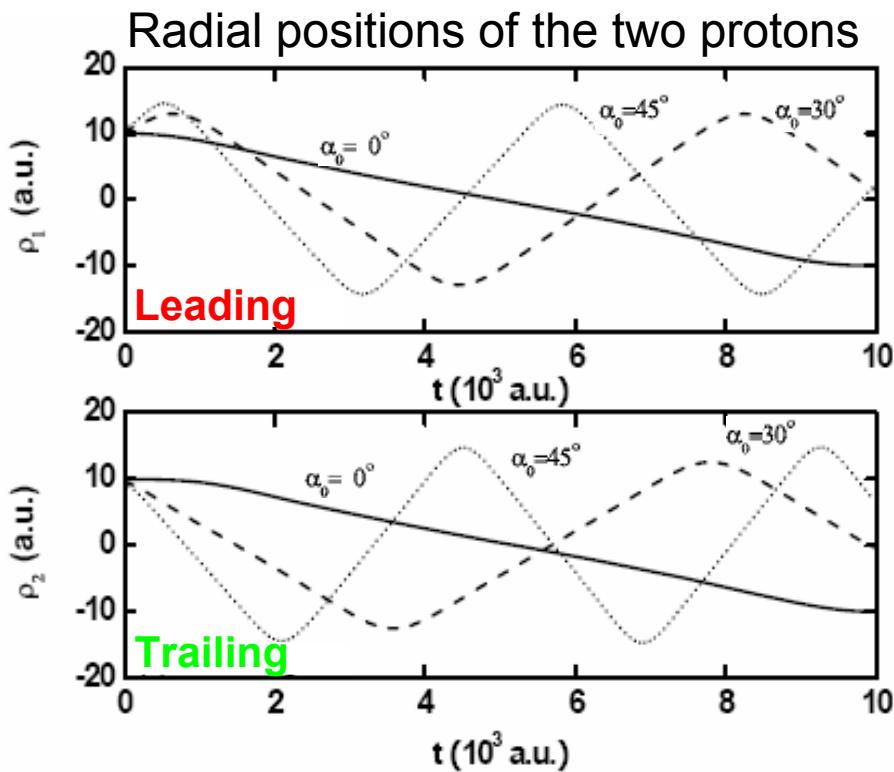
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Solve classical equations of motion:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}_i}{dt} = \mathbf{u}_i, \quad M_i \frac{d\mathbf{u}_i}{dt} = \sum_{j(\neq i)=1}^2 \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{(c)} + \sum_{j=1}^2 \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{(p)} + \mathbf{F}_i^{(n)}$$

Forces: Coulomb, polarization, Moliere

Molecule speed = 5 a.u. and  
alignment angles = 0°, 30°, 45°



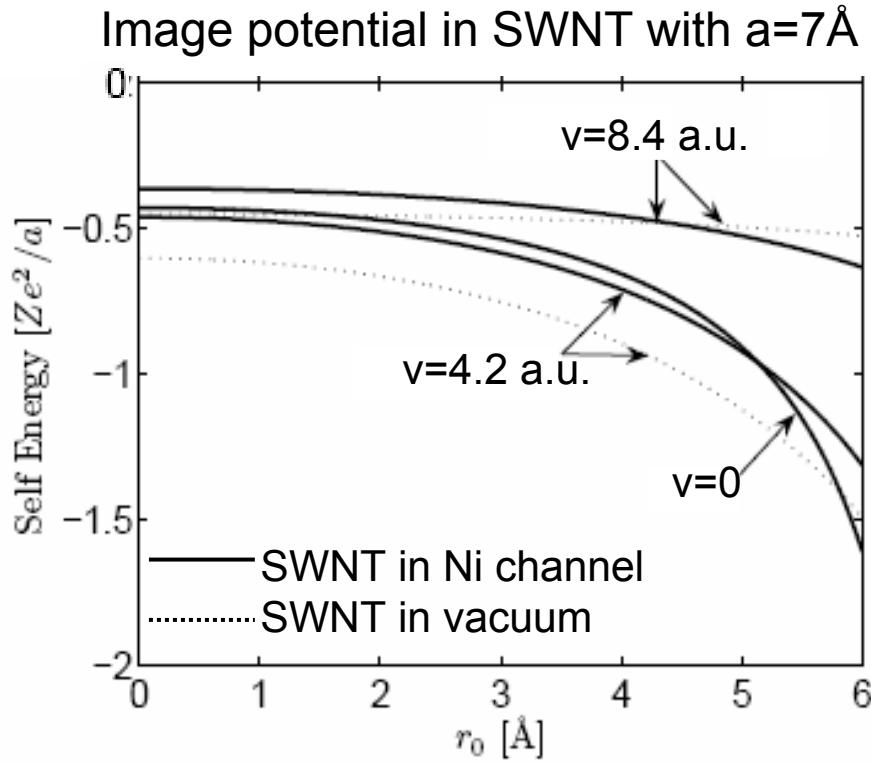
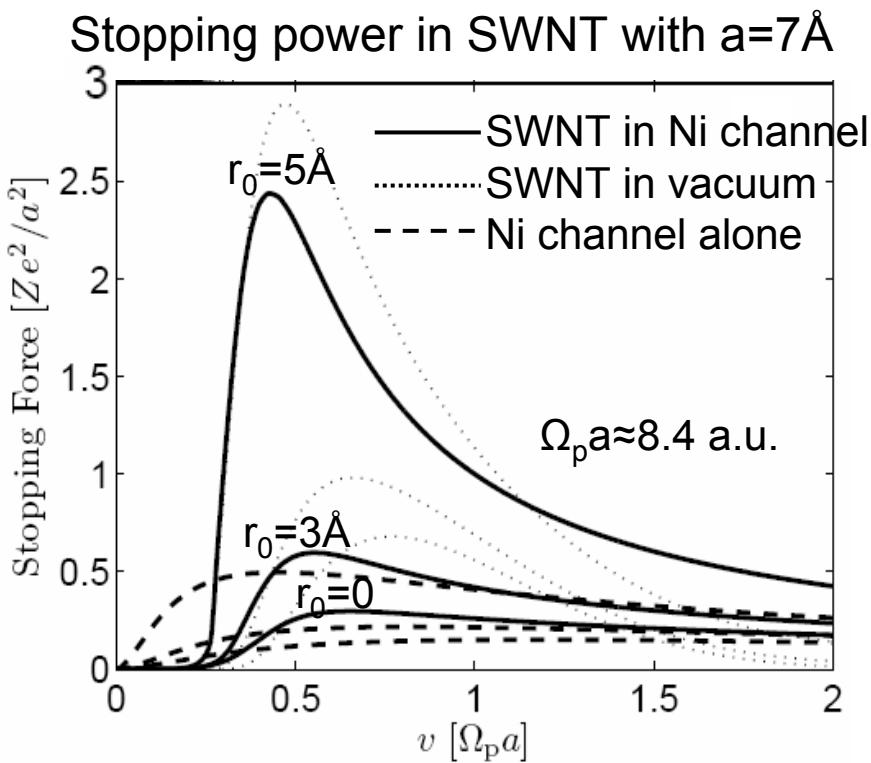
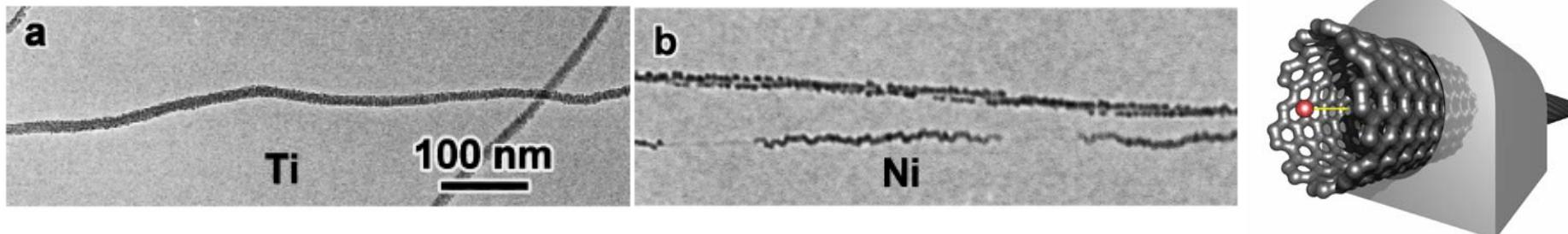
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# Dynamic polarization of SWNT coated by metal

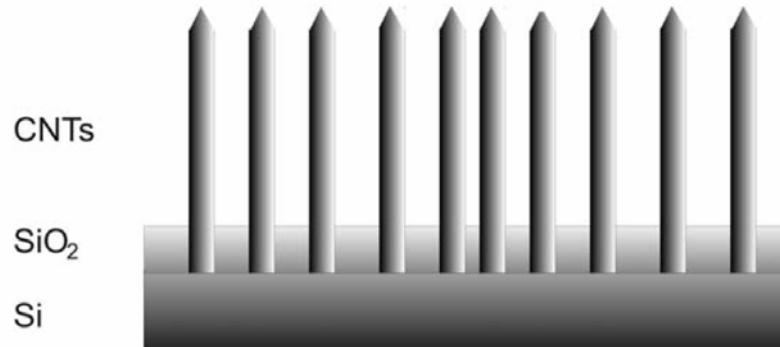
D.J. Mowbray *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. B* (2006) submitted

TEM images of  $a=5$  nm SWNT: Y. Zhang *et al.*, *Chem. Phys. Lett.* 331 (2000) 35



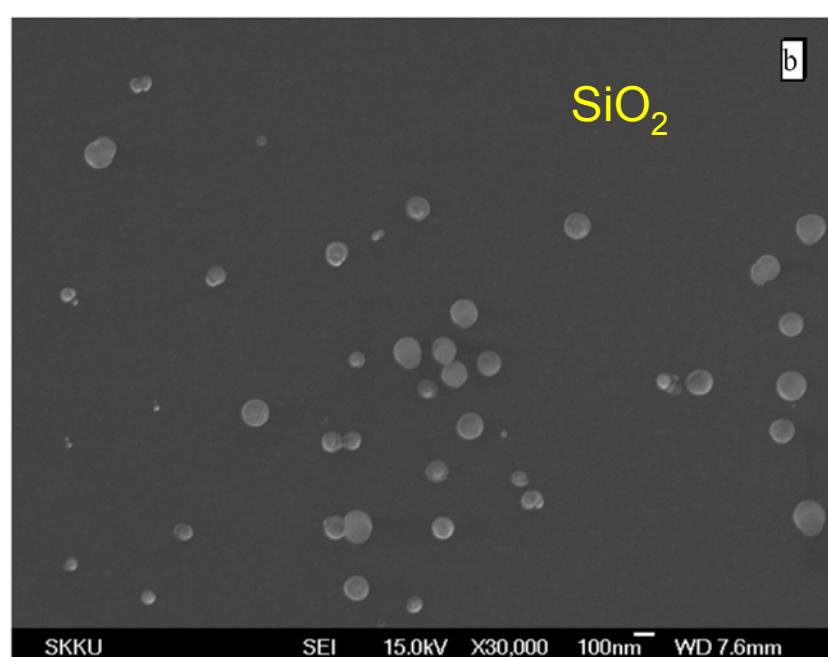
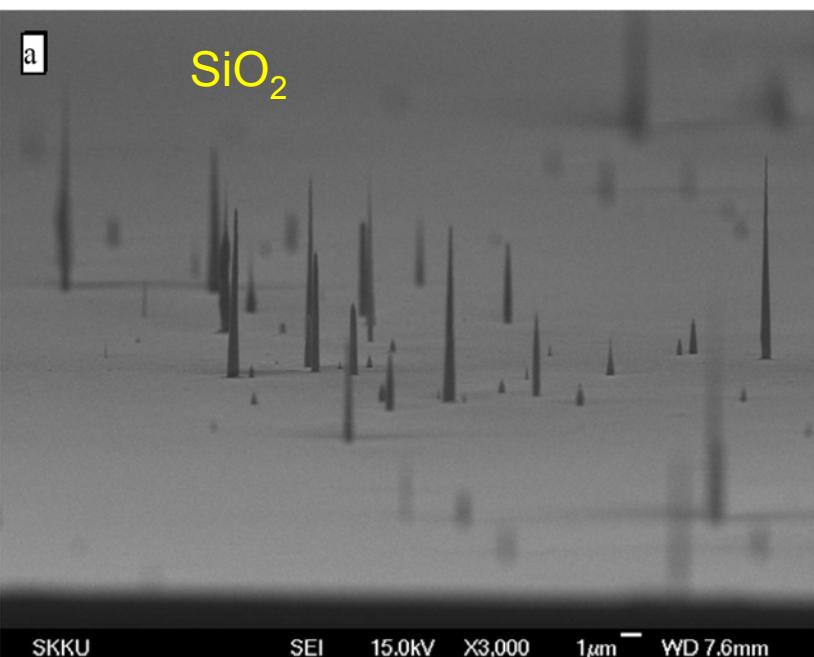
# Growth of CNTs in etched ion tracks in $\text{SiO}_2$

A.S. Berdinsky *et al.*, *in press* (2006)



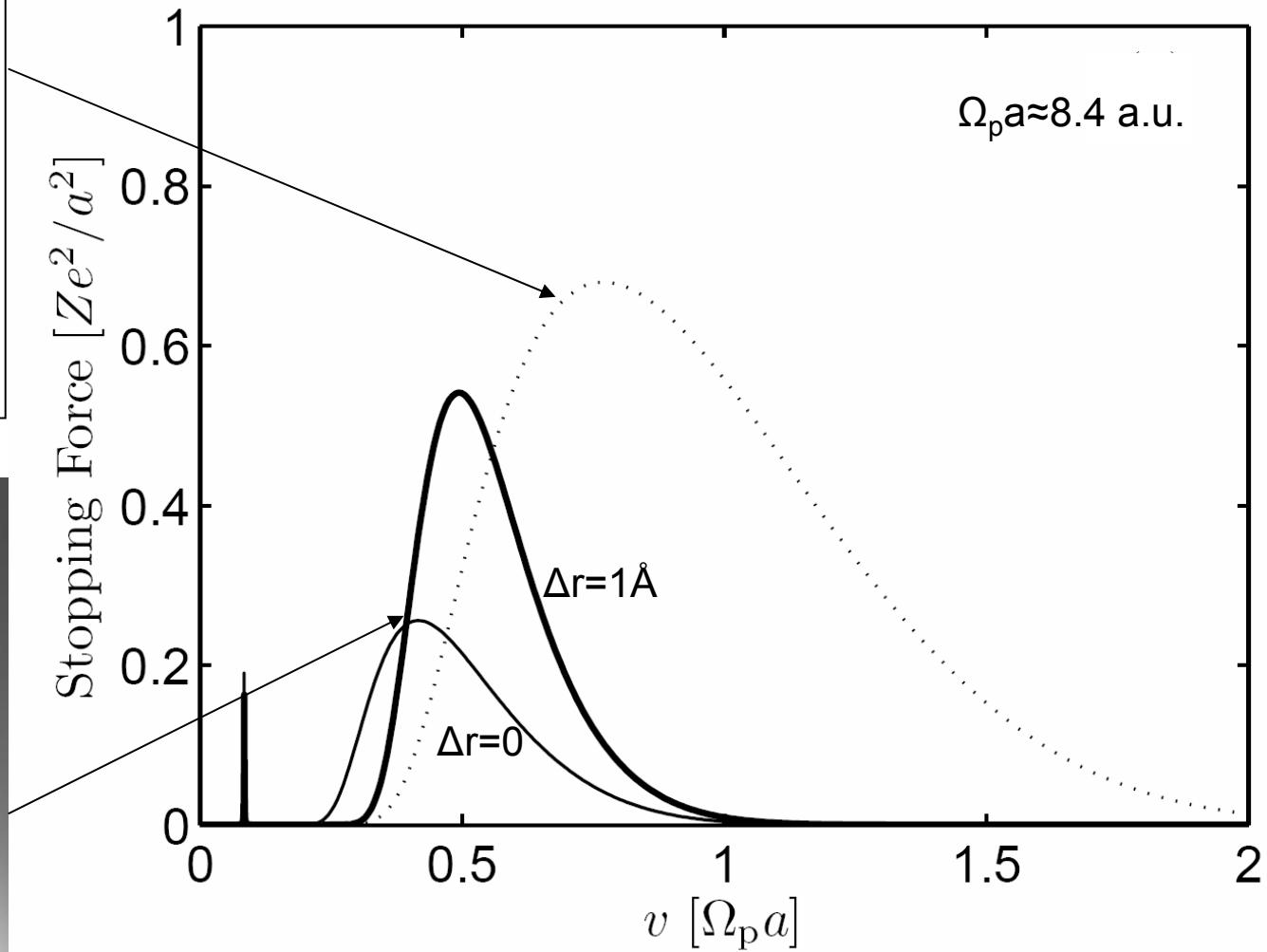
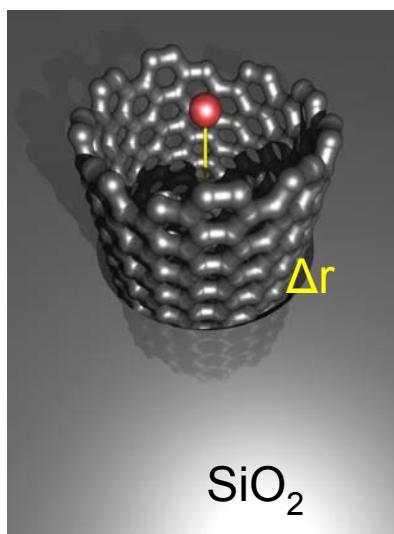
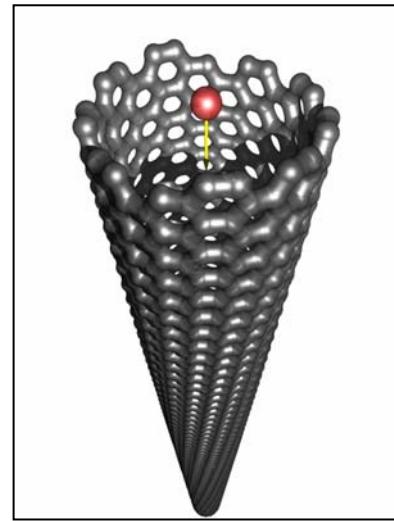
Side view showing pointed tips

Top view showing alignment



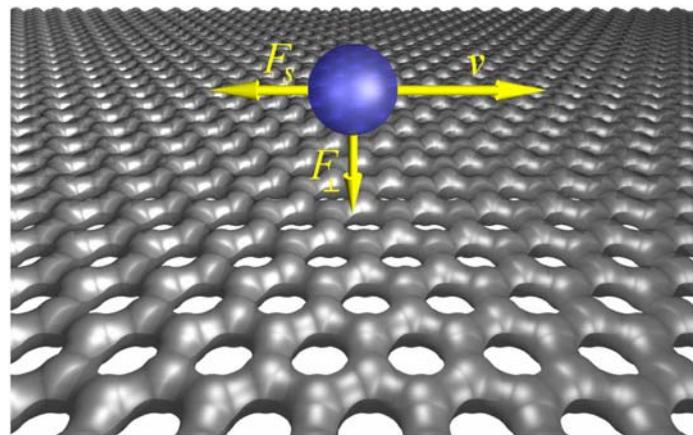
# Proton stopping power in SWNT in $\text{SiO}_2$ channel

D.J. Mowbray *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. B* 74 (2006) 15 November



# Planar channeling in Highly Oriented Pyrolytic Graphite

J. Zuloaga et al., ICACS 2006, to be published

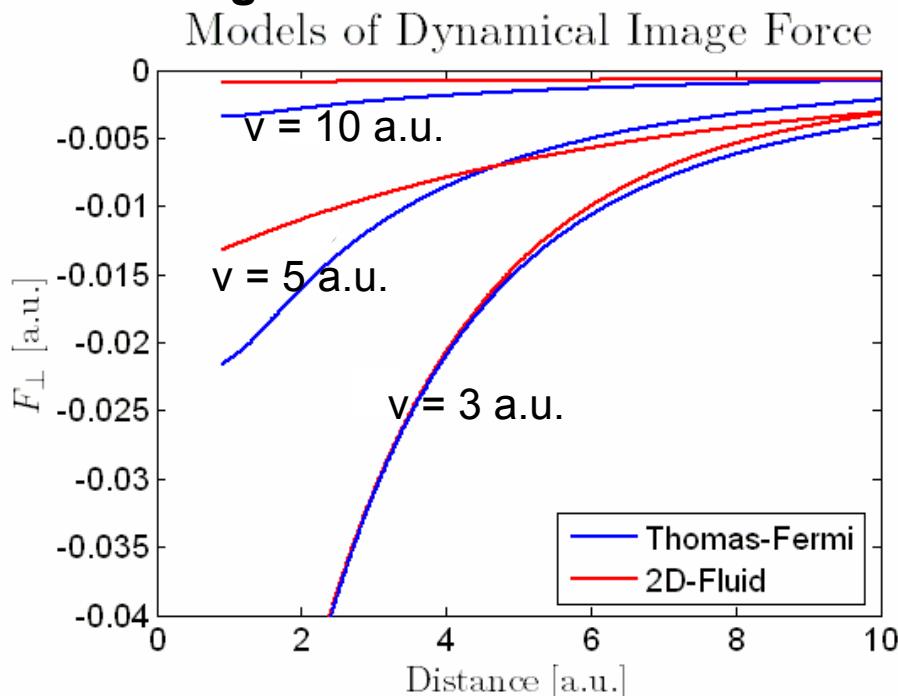
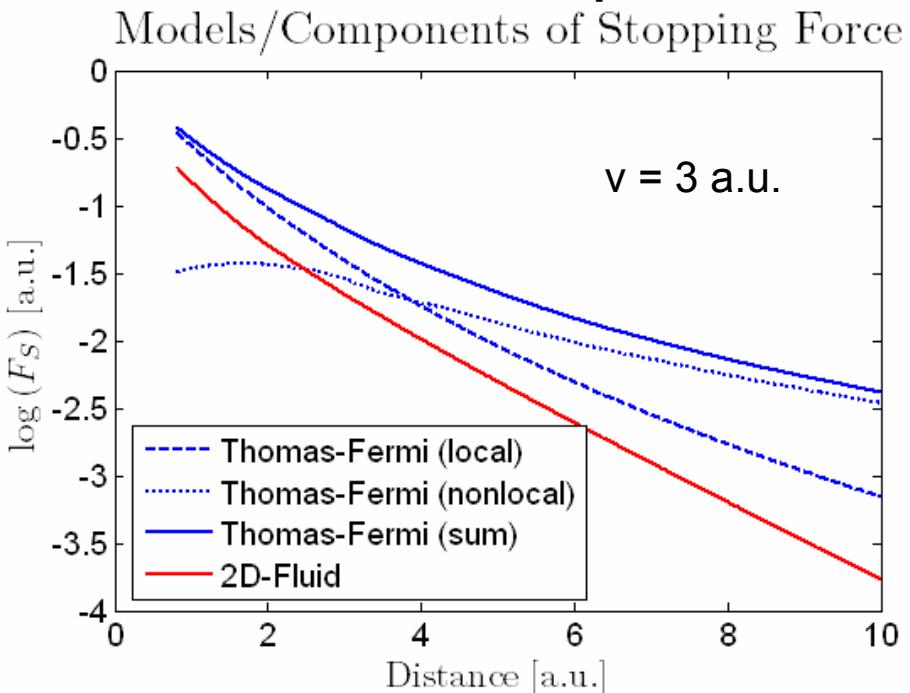


For **single** graphene sheet, calculate stopping power and image force using Kitagawa's dielectric function:

$$\epsilon^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \omega) \cong \frac{\omega^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_p^2(\mathbf{r}_1)} \left[ \delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) - \frac{1}{\omega^2 - \omega_p^2(\mathbf{r}_2)} \frac{(\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1)}{|\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|^3} \cdot \vec{\nabla} n(\mathbf{r}_1) \right]$$

(High-frequency approx.  $\approx$  Local + Non-local terms)

## Compare 3D and 2D electron-gas models

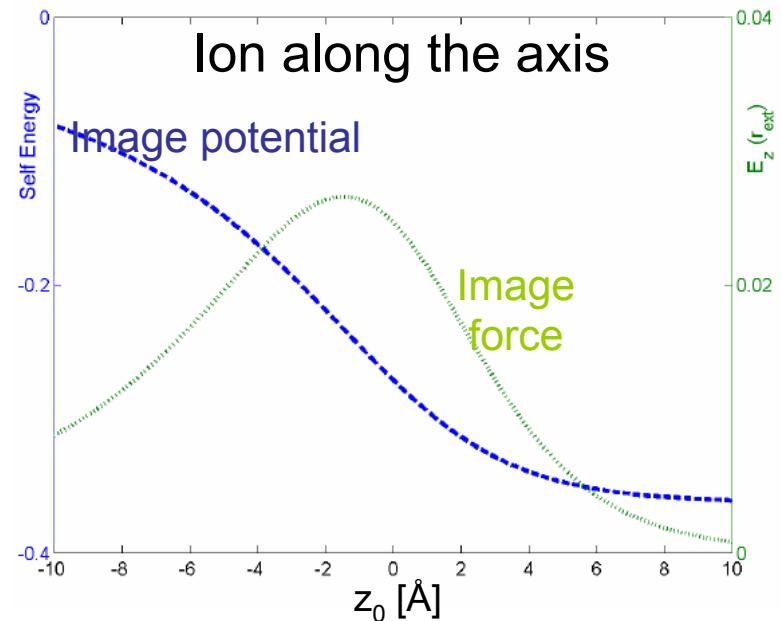
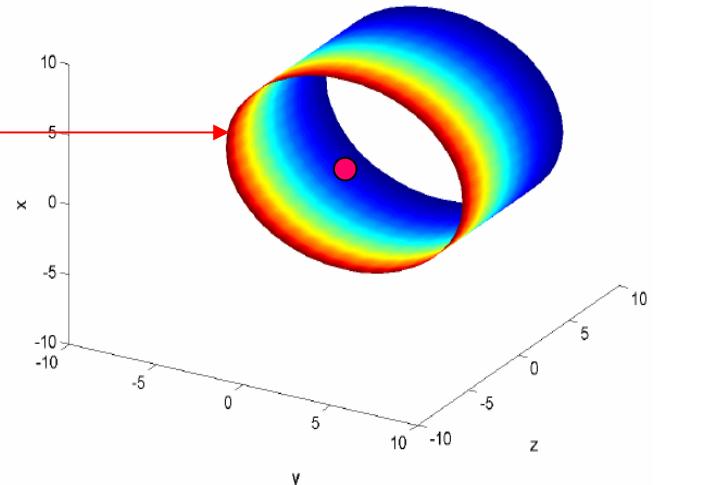
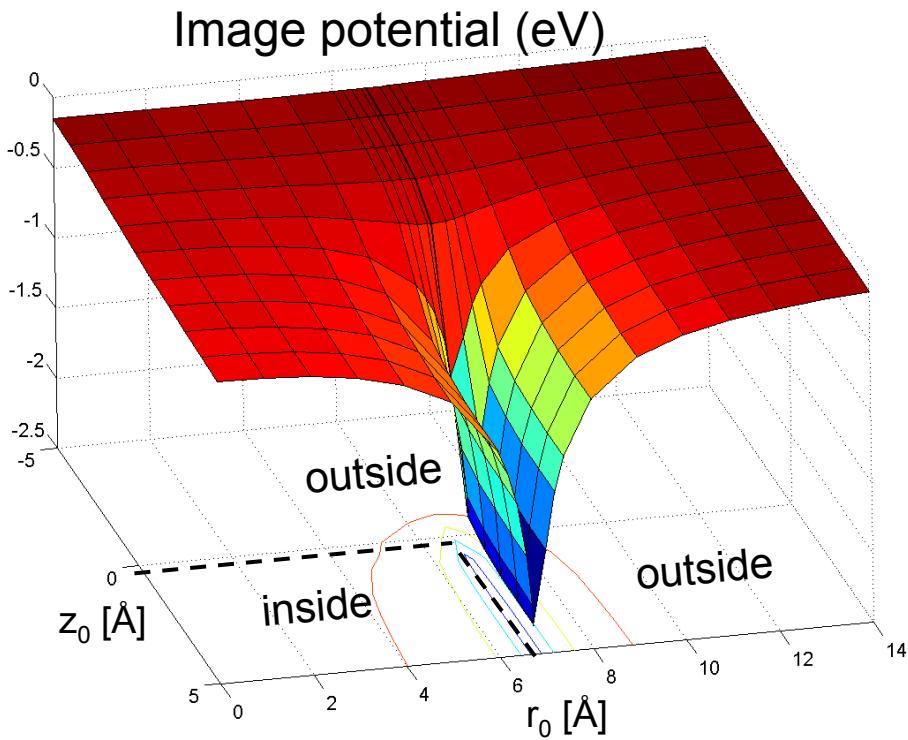


# Image potential of slow ion near open end of a SWNT

K. Whyte and Z.L. Miskovic, in preparation

Solve integral equation for induced electron density  $n$

$$\frac{\alpha}{n_0} n(\mathbf{r}) + \iint \frac{n(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|} d^2\mathbf{r}' = \Phi_{ext}(\mathbf{r})$$



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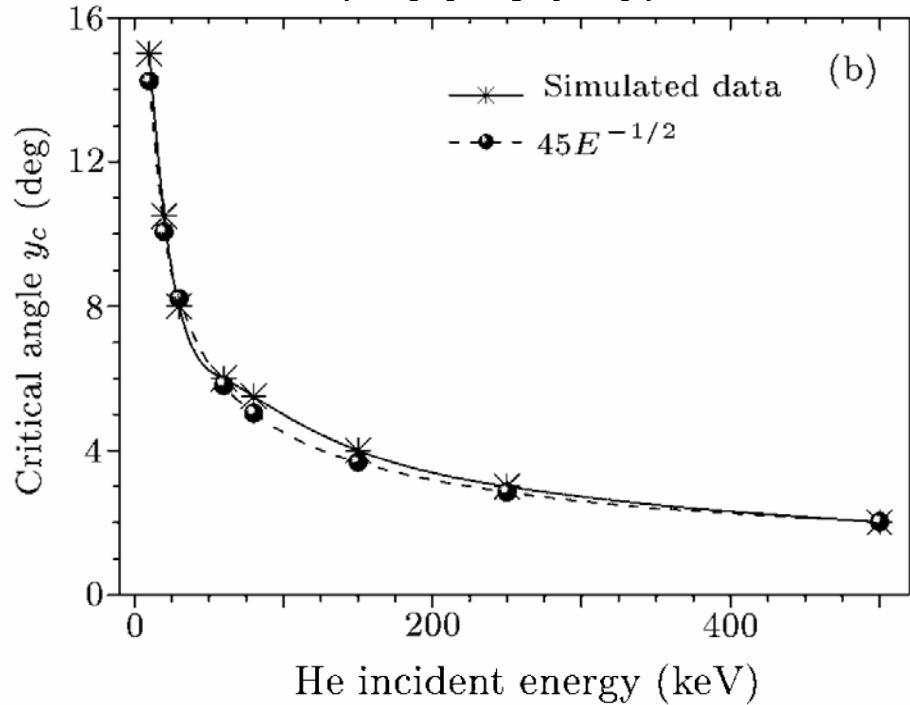
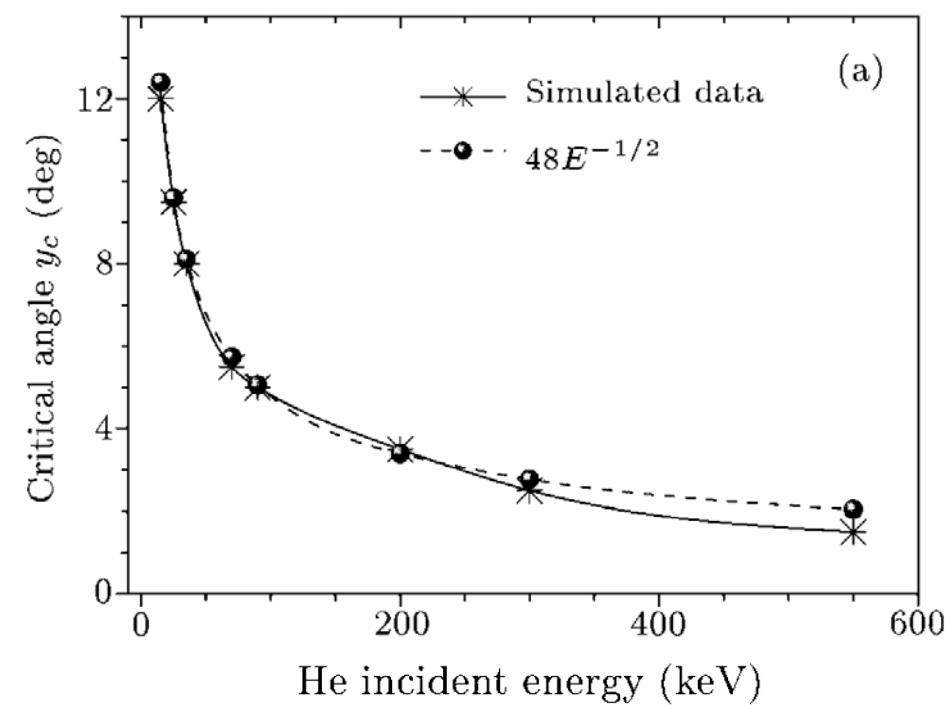
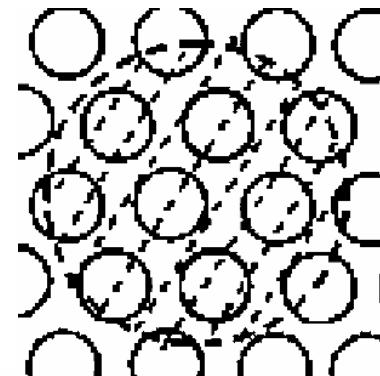
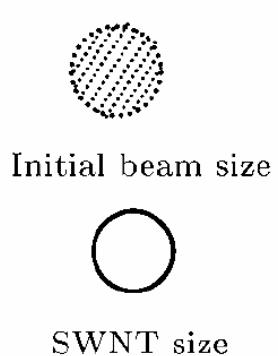
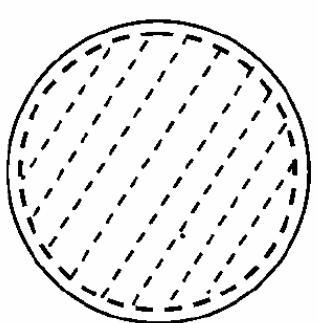
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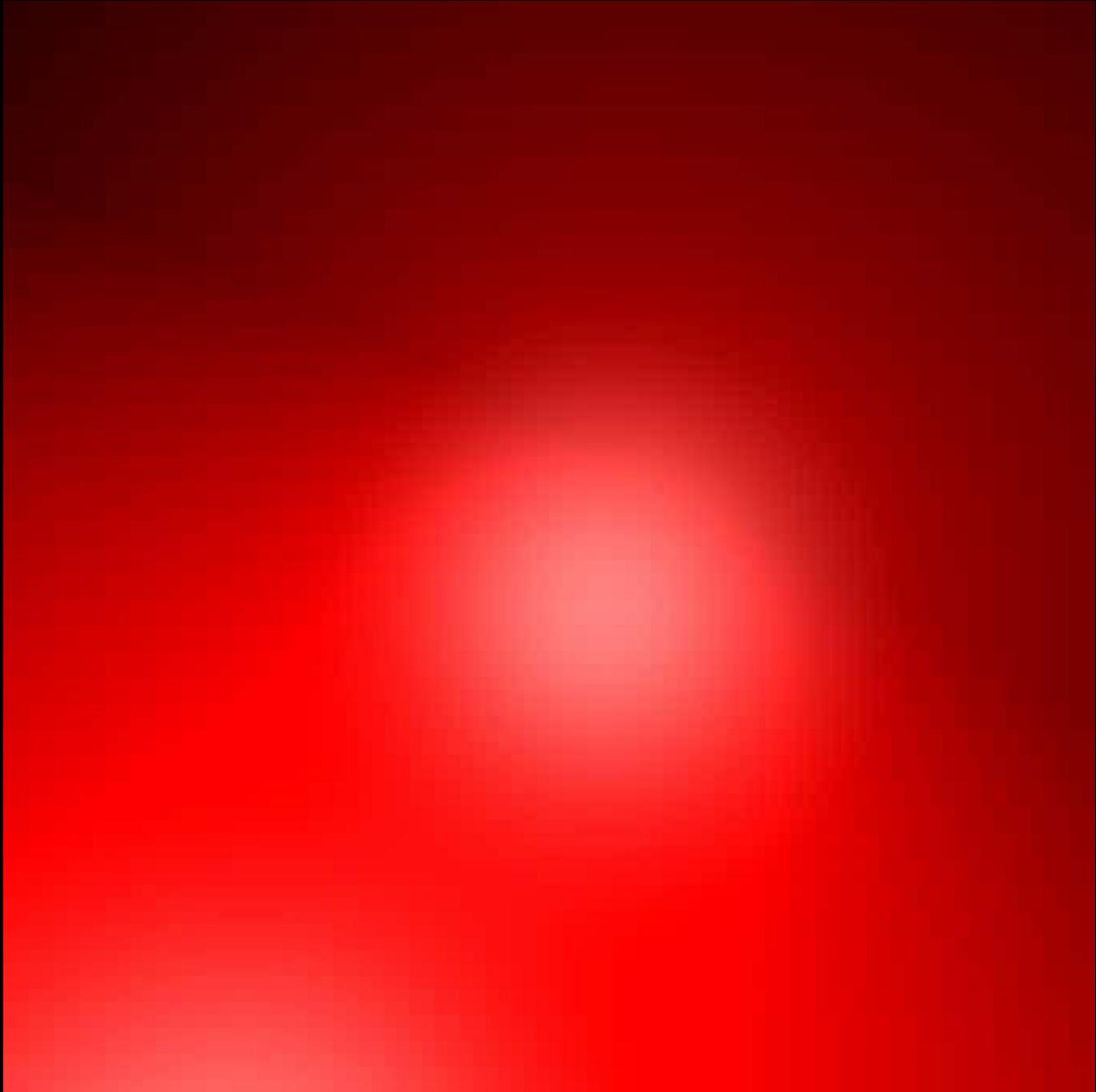
# Molecular Dynamics (MD) simulations of ion channeling through carbon nanotubes

- Atomistic simulations, solving Newton's equations
- Low impact energies, nuclear stopping dominates
- Projectile effectively neutralized near the entrance
- Empirical potentials (Tersoff/Brenner, van der Waals, and ZBL or Lennard-Jones), truncation issues, charging ...
- Ab-initio (DFT) potentials, limited number of C atoms
- Dynamic structure evolution, but limited simulated time
- Finite length of nanotubes ( $\sim 10$  nm), energy dissipation
- Simulate temperature effects (annealing of defects)
- Simulate chemical reactions and mechanical response

# MC sim. of channelling of ~100 keV He<sup>+</sup> ions in a (17,0) SWNT and in rope of (17,0) SWNTs

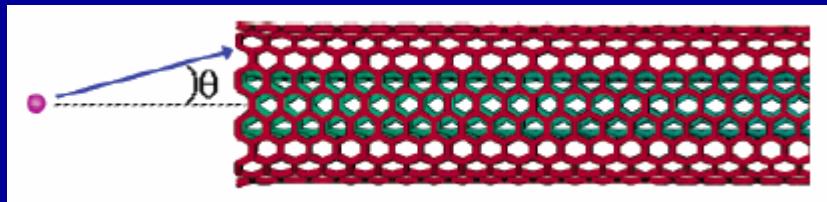
L.-P. Zheng *et al.*, *Chin. Phys. Lett.* 23 (2006) 2169





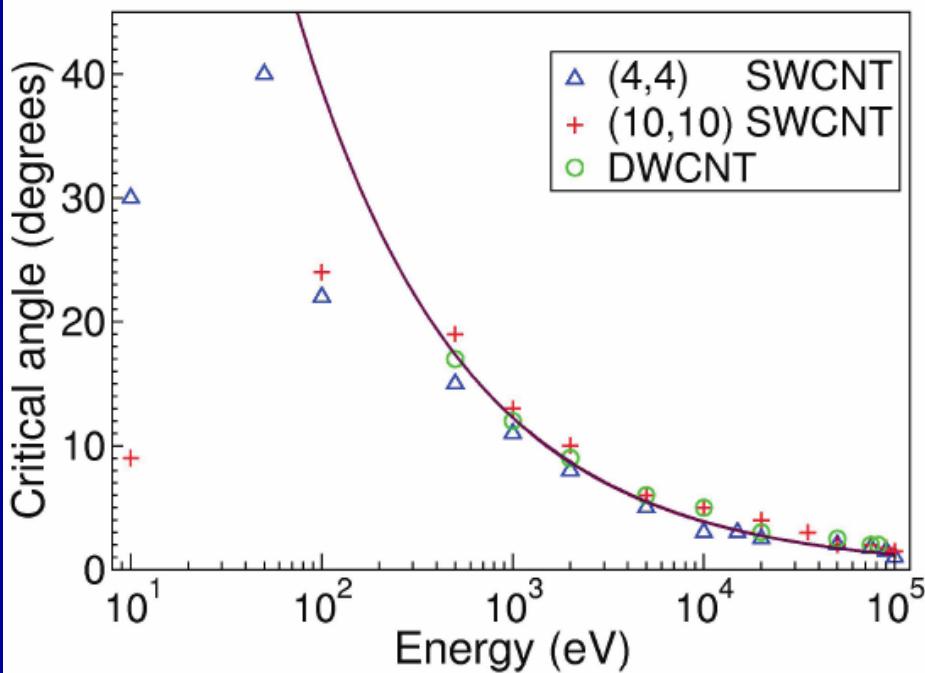
# MD sim. of channelling of C<sup>+</sup> ions in SWNT & DWNT

C.S. Moura and L. Amaral, *J. Phys. Chem. B* 109 (2005) 13515

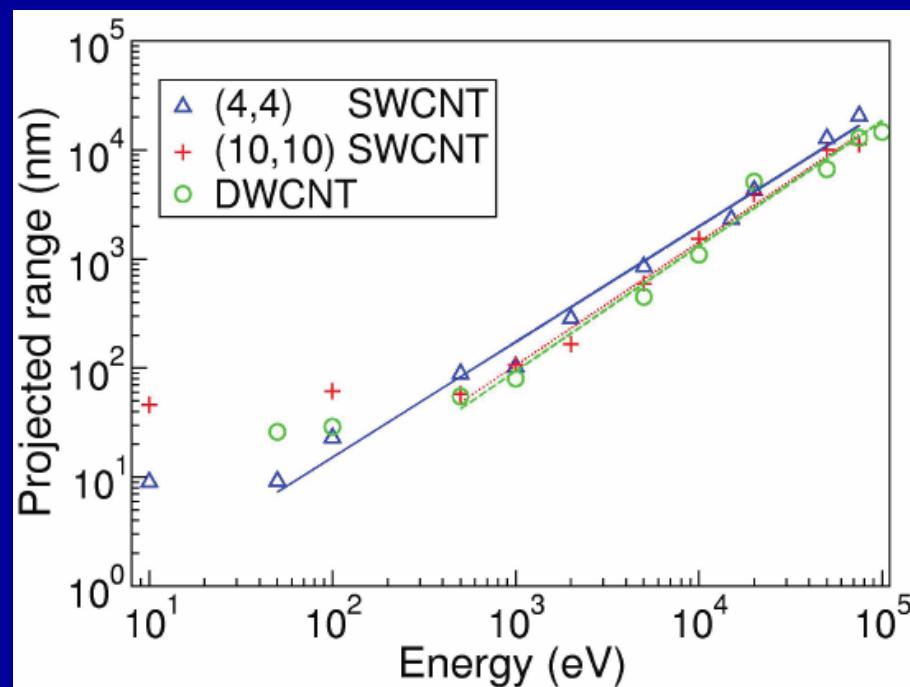


Tersoff potential for C-C in the walls  
ZBL potential for projectile - target

Critical angle vs incident energy

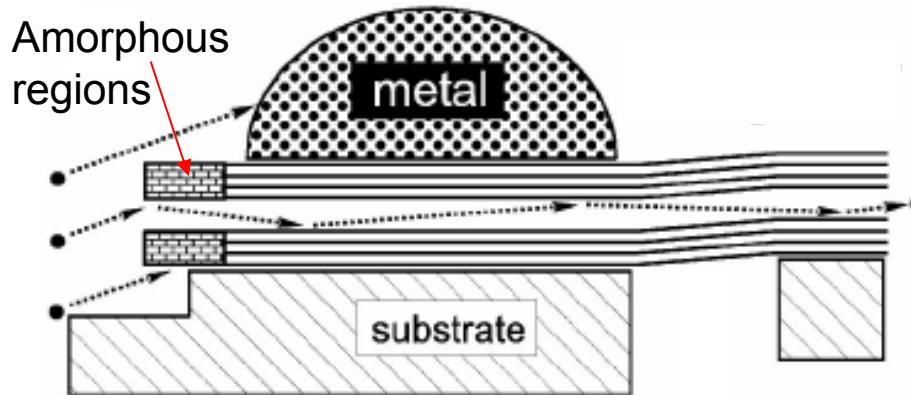


Range vs incident energy



# MD sim. of channelling of keV Ar<sup>+</sup> ions in MWNT

A.V. Krasheninnikov and K. Nordlund., *Phys. Rev. B* 71 (2005) 245408

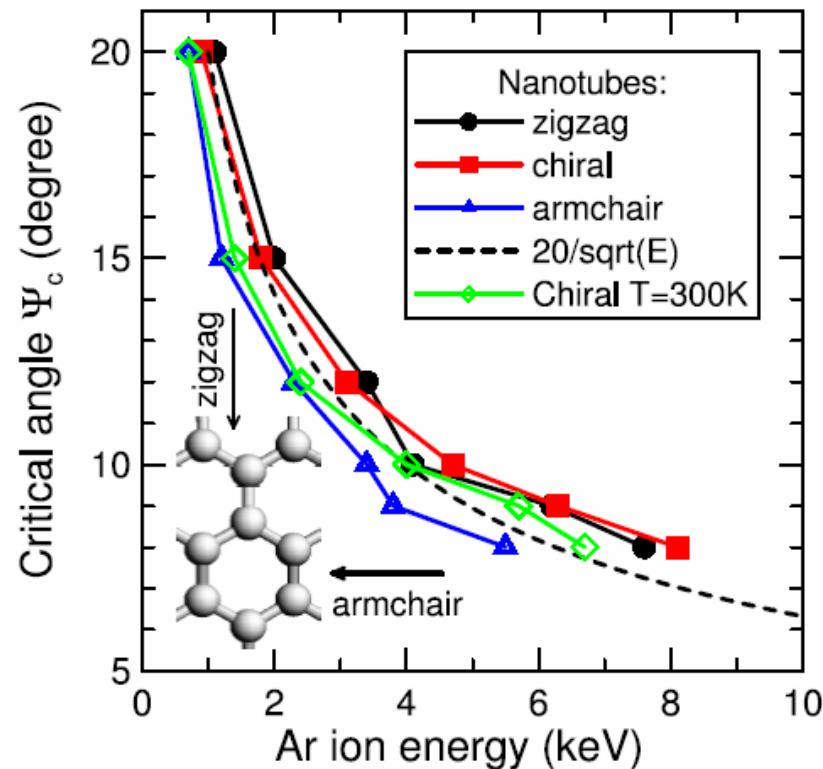


## Conclusions:

- channelling dominated by nuclear energy loss (50-100 eV per collision)
- channelling possible even at low energies and large angles ( $\sim 10^\circ$ )
- less effective between walls of MWNT
- temperature effects weak
- amorphization of entrance opening for high ion beam doses may be problem but central hollow remains open

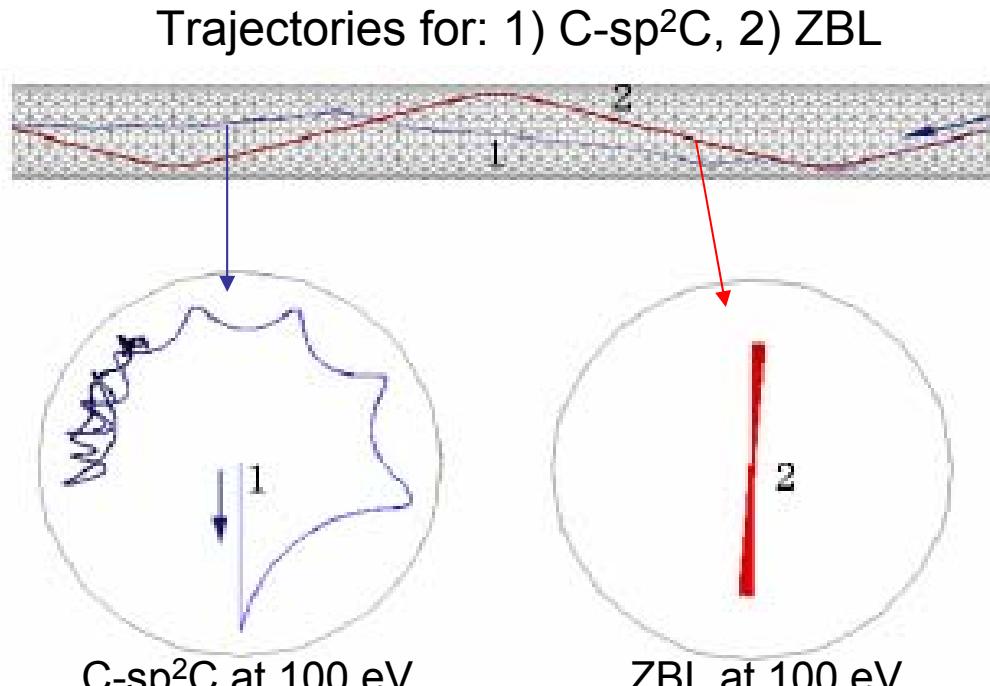
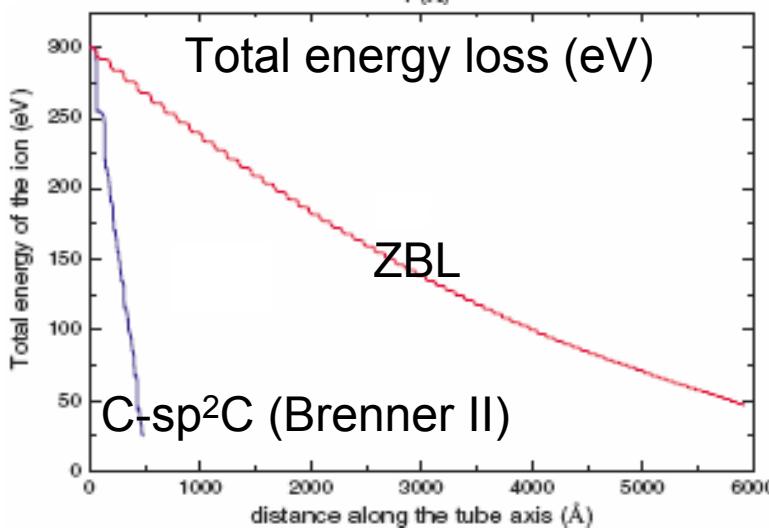
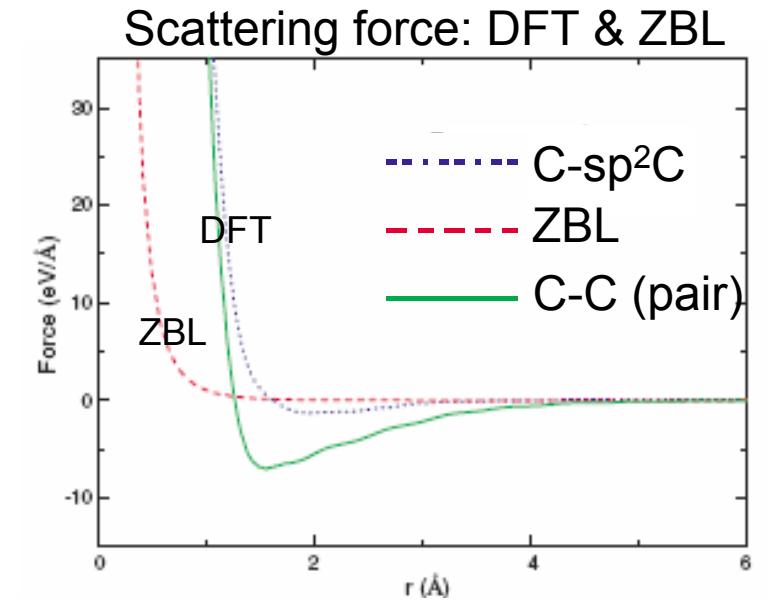
Critical angle for channelling agrees with continuum model

$$\psi_c = \sqrt{U(r_c)/E}$$



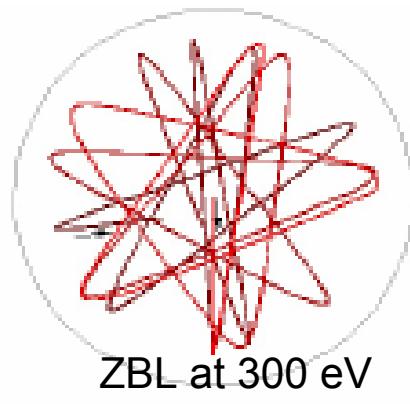
# MD sim. of channelling of ~100eV C<sup>+</sup> ions in SWNT

W. Zhang *et al.*, *Nanotechnology* 16 (2005) 2681



Electronic energy loss modeled by:

- modified Firsov
- Brandt-Kitagawa



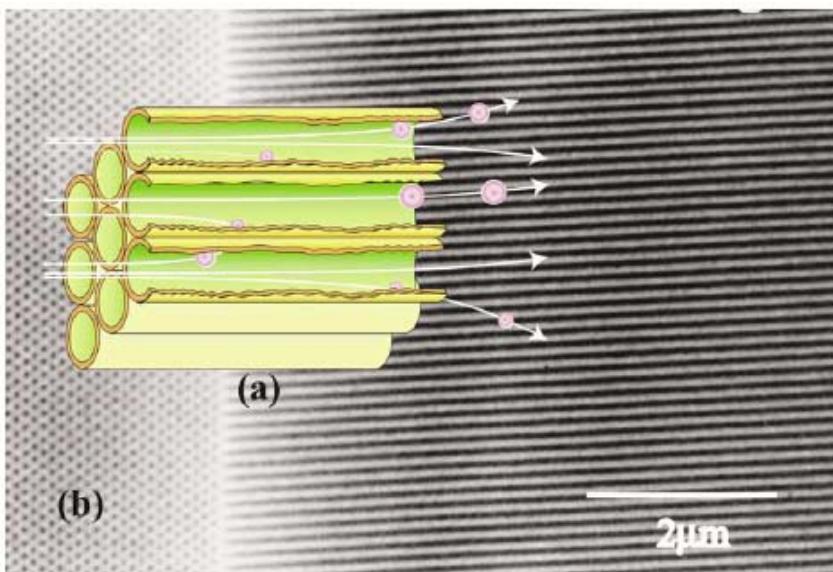
# Outline

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  - Rainbow effect in short ropes
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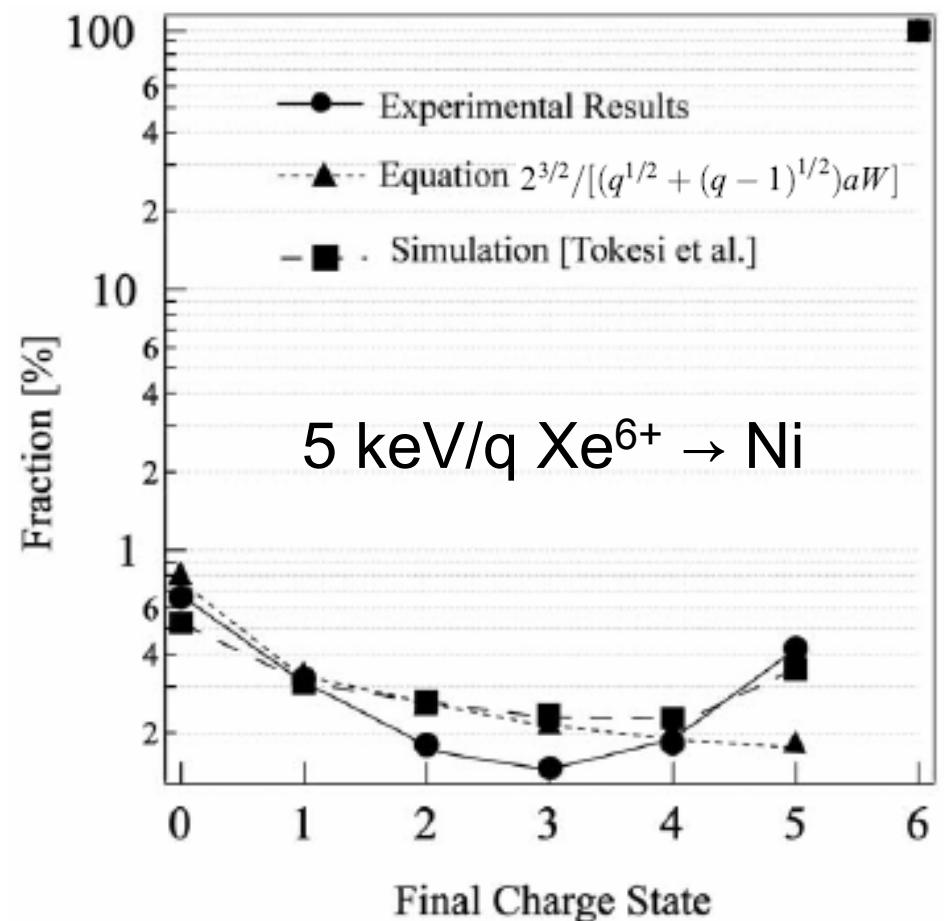
# Transmission of highly-charged ions through arrays of metallic capillaries with diameter $\sim 100$ nm

experiment: Y. Yamazaki, *Nucl. Instr. Meth.* 193 (2002) 516

Schematics of experiment & SEM image of the array



Charge distribution of transmitted ions



# Transmission of highly-charged ions through arrays of metallic capillaries with diameter $\sim 100$ nm

theory: K. Tókési *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. A* 64 (2001) 42902

Use dielectric theory for nano-capillaries to model dynamical image interaction by N.R. Arista, *Phys. Rev. A* 64 (2001) 32901

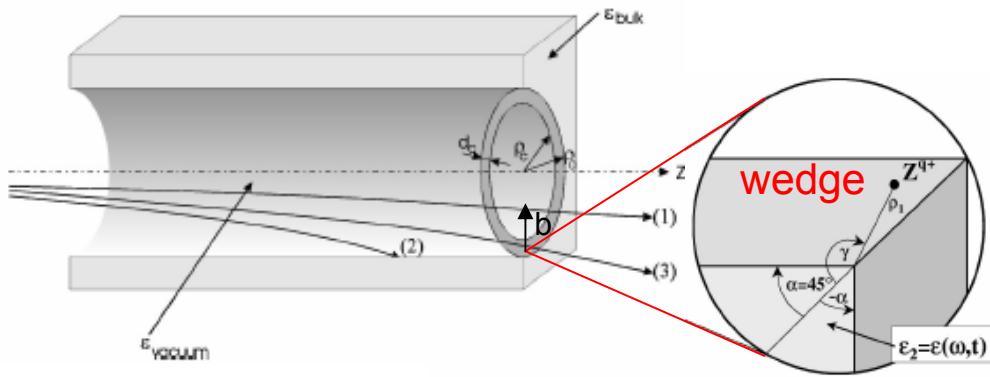
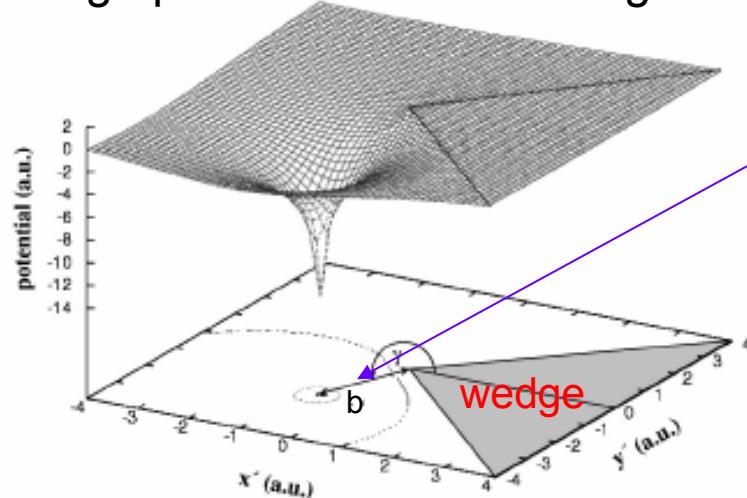
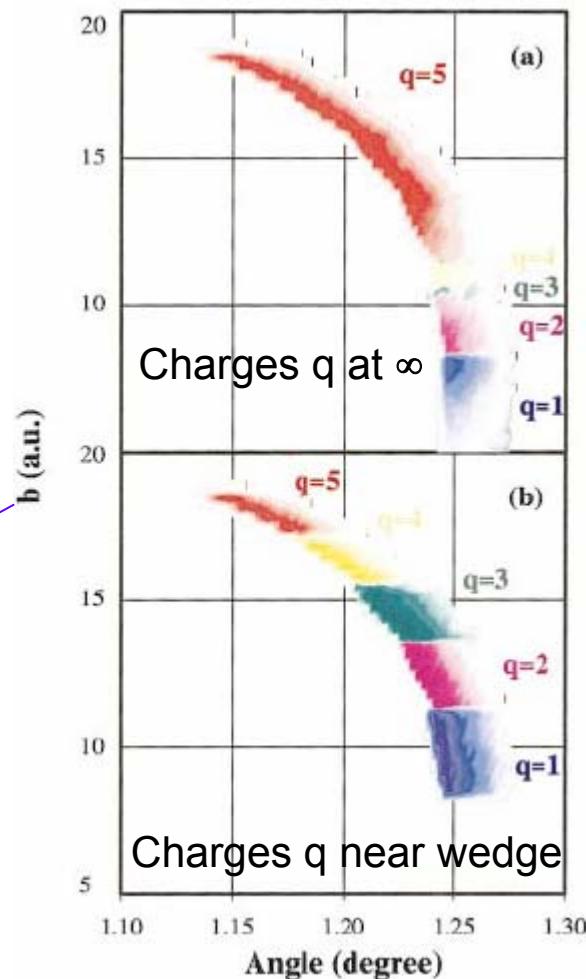


Image potential near the wedge



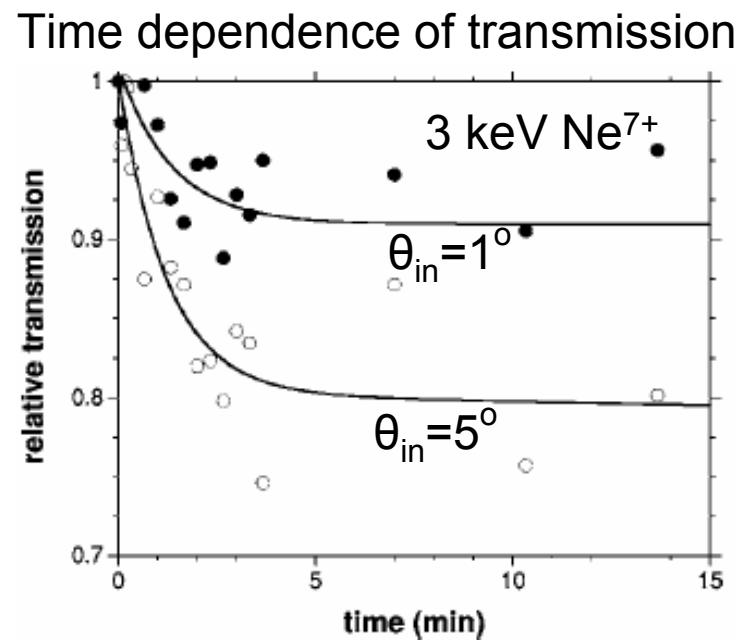
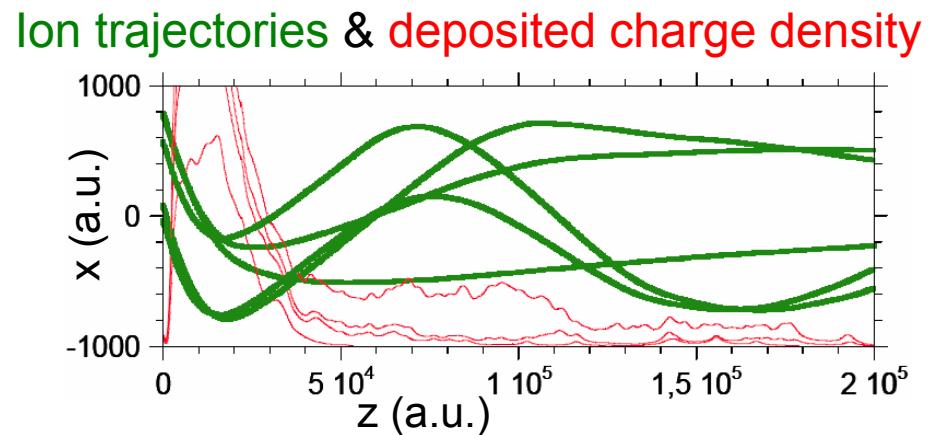
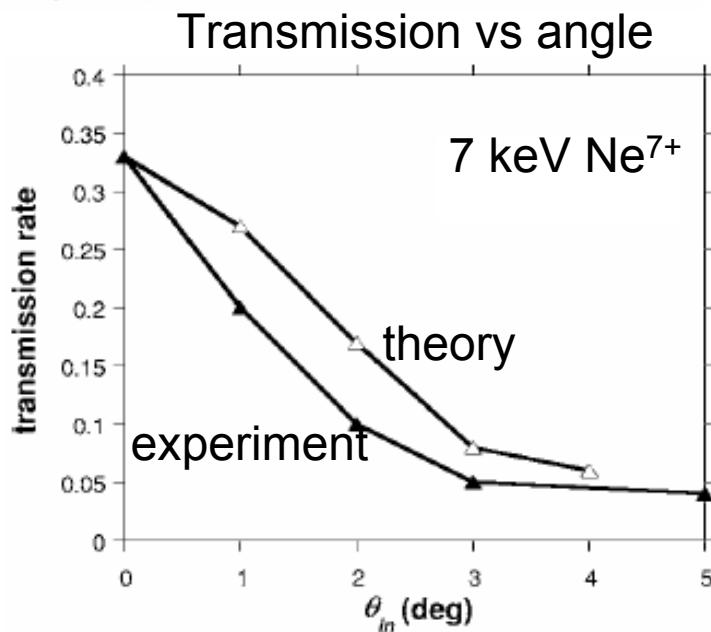
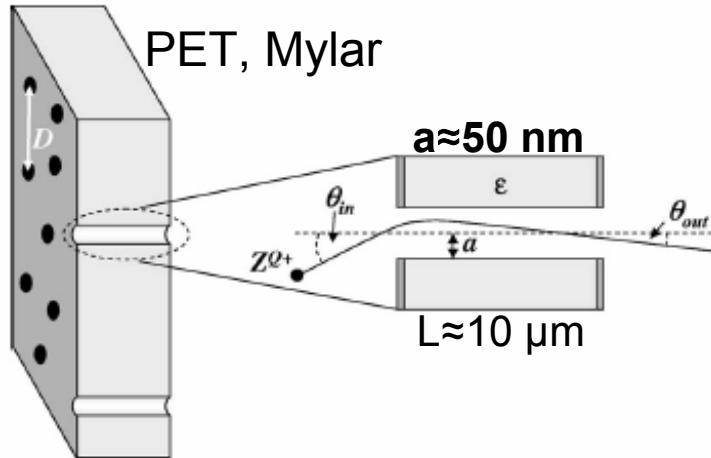
Distributions of 2 keV  $N^{6+} \rightarrow Ni$  vs closest dist.  $b$  and scattering angle



# Guiding keV Ne<sup>7+</sup> ions through insulating capillaries

experiment: Gy. Vikor *et al.*, *Nucl. Instr. Meth. B* 233 (2005) 632;

theory: K. Schiessl *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. A* 72 (2005) 62902



# Outlook

- Simulations of ion channelling through carbon nanotubes predict great advantages in comparison with single crystals & offer new applications
- Theoretical modeling of ion interactions with nanotubes needs improvements at all energies: ab-initio potentials, dynamic response, energy loss, dechanneling, projectile charge, entrance/exit effects, defects in nanotube structure,  
...
- Experimental realization of ion channelling still pending, but all major technical issues seem manageable (ongoing activity at INFN-LNF & IHEP)
- Exciting new developments expected in near future for particle channeling through carbon nanotubes, following recent success of ion transport through nano-capillaries