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Nature of Optical Transitions in Carbon Nanotubes and Population Analysis



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Outline

Introduction – Resonance Raman Scattering maps The exciton *and* the band-to-band pictures in carbon nanotubes





The Resonance Raman Scattering (RRS) Maps



Fantini et al. PRL (2004)

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...sample processing



The Kataura plot

The optical transition energies E_{ii} as a function of carbon nanotube diameter d_t

Proposed by H. Kataura in 1999, considering first neighbour π -only TB model





As shown by the ratio problem...

The ratio problem for E_{22}^{S} and E_{11}^{S} E_{22}^{S} / E_{11}^{S} smaller than 2!



Why do we have the ratio problem?

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e-e attraction plus e-h repulsion gives rise to a net blueshift

How is the big picture?

The big picture: E_{ii} s obey a scaling law



 $E_{11}(d_t) = E_{22}(d_t/2)$ 3.0 2.5 Transition Energy (eV) 1.5 1.0 E_{11}^{S} 0.5 1.5 2.0 0.5 1.0

 E_{11}^{S} and E_{22}^{S} follow a single scaling law when plotted as a function of p/d_t



Inverse Diameter (1/nm)

All the physics is for $0.7 < d_t < 1.3$ nm and $0.6 < E_{ii} < 2.7$ eV





PL – Bachilo et al. Science 298, 2361 (2002)

RRS – Fantini et al. PRL (2004)



The RRS of alcohol SWNTs



E₃₃S

E₄₄S

50 mm

E₁₁^M

Alcohol-SWNTs Maruyama

10 µm

RRS on alcohol CVD SWNTs



Measurements over a broad energy (1.26 to 2.71eV) and diameter (0.7 to 2.3nm) range

Now we have to analise the E_{ii} and ω_{RBM} !

Good agreement with published $E_{22}{}^{S}$, $E_{33}{}^{S}$ and $E_{44}{}^{S}$



Bachilo et all. Science 298, 2361(2002)



1.0

1.2

1.1

1.3

0.9

0.8

0.7



The difference between the scaling laws







Chirality dependence of E_{ii}



Similar to prediction by the extended tight binding (ETB) within experimental accuracy (~ ±30meV)

Summary

1 – Optics is a well established tool to characterize single wall carbon nanotube samples.



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