Modifying the bonding character of coupled states of thin-plate elastic resonators via prestress modulation

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Reversing the bonding character in thin elastic plates



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Thin elastic plate (Föppl–von Kármán)

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We get 5 sets of equations $I) <math>(u4_{xx} + 2u5_{xx} + u5_{yy}) - T(u1_{xx} + u1_{yy}) = \lambda u1$ II) $u2 = u1_x$ III) $u3 = u1_y$ IV) $u4 = u2_x$ V) $u5 = u3_y$

Which simplifies to $\left(\frac{\partial^4 u1}{\partial x^4} + 2\frac{\partial^4 u1}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 u1}{\partial y^4}\right) - T\left(\frac{\partial^2 u1}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u1}{\partial y^2}\right) = \lambda u1,$ $\nabla^4 u1 - T\nabla^2 u1 = \lambda u1$

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1st Brillouin zone





Band structure calculation – 1D



Band structure calculation – 2D



Mapping to a discrete spring mass model

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Periodic boundary condition



Periodic boundary condition



Periodic boundary condition













Vertical displacement -1 0 1





Vertical displacement







Disorder, % of τ and k_1 , effects via discrete model 1%2%4%3 %

Potential experimental system

Graphene



Benjamín Alemán group, University of Oregon

Vibrational modes crossing Changing dispersion character Stopping and reversing sound ω vs q_x 1000 Rescaled time $\omega_0 \, t$ wave-packet modes 2000 3000 -4000 6000 and 5000 6000 -50 50 100 0 100 0 Position (lattice units) 0 $-\pi$ π

Singular flat band in 2D



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- We created a custom model for coupled thin-plate elastic resonators
- We modified the bonding character of the ground state of a fourth order coupled thin-plate elastic resonator system via prestress modulation
- We imported solutions from eigenvalue problem to timedependent studies to perform dynamical simulations