JDJ @ MIT

The Gathering Storm (1974-1978)
Some Background

Quite a long time ago, when I was a second year graduate student having just completed my qualifying examinations, John arrived at MIT from Berkeley. Within a few years, MIT recruited JDJ, MacKaye, and Bob Birgeneau to the faculty.

I started working with him at a time when many of you were not yet on the scene (figuratively and literally).

So here’s a few snapshots from that era.
Q. Who/What is it

A. It is a concealed microphone found on burglars in the Watergate hotel. Ensuing events led to the departure shown on the right.
Q. Who/What is it

Who: It is Mia Farrow

What: It is the first published issue of People Magazine (February, 1974)
Q. Who/What is it

A. It is the **HP 65** Hand Held Programmable Calculator (1975)

It could be programmed with 100 instructions in RPN.

It sold for **$800.00** (note: 1975 $)
Q. Who/What is it
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A. Sylvester Stallone as Rocky (set and filmed in Philadelphia, winning the Academy Award for best picture in 1976).
Q. Who/What is it

A. Sylvester Stallone with Rocky. The actor donated this sculpture to Philadelphia, where it returned to the Philadelphia Museum of Art in celebration of the opening of the final (!) Rocky sequel in 2006.
Q. Who/What is it

A. Photo of JDJ, ca. 2001

and ca. 1975
Some Other Newsworthy Events

October 1974: Bill Clinton marries Hillary Rodham whom he met at Yale Law School. His wife retains her maiden name for a few years.

April 1974: Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves breaks Babe Ruth’s home run record by hitting his 715th career home run.

June 1974: The Cleveland Indians stage an ill advised Ten Cent Beer Night for a game against the Texas Rangers at Cleveland Municipal Stadium. Cleveland forfeits after alcohol fueled mayhem spreads from the stands onto the field.

September 1974: John appointed Assistant Professor at MIT
Direct Observation of Superlattice Formation in a Semiconductor Heterostructure

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We demonstrate, via low-temperature optical-absorption measurements on ultrathin, coupled potential wells in molecular-beam-grown Al$_x$Ga$_{1-x}$As-GaAs heterostructures, the evolution of resonantly split discrete well states into the lowest band of a one-dimensional superlattice. Both electron and hole superlattices appear to be practical.

FIG. 1. (a) Optical-density spectrum of a series of eighty single GaAs wells isolated by thick (~180 Å) Al$_{0.33}$Ga$_{0.67}$As barriers. Peaks 1 and 2 correspond to exciting an electron from $n=1$ heavy-mass and light-mass valence-band bound states, respectively, to the $n=1$ conduction-band bound state, as shown in inset.
There were tremendous advances in the fabrication of highly ordered crystals, but also a growing interest in electronic phenomena in partially ordered and disordered phases of matter.

1977 Nobel Prizes to Anderson, Mott and van Vleck
Electronic Density of States of Amorphous Si and Ge

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The density of states of the valence and conduction bands of Si and Ge are discussed using a simple tight-binding Hamiltonian. It is shown that certain features of the density of states for the case of the diamond structure are related to the short-range order and hence should be retained in the amorphous state while others depend on long-range order and are expected to disappear.

Fig. 1. Top, the density of states for Ge with the diamond structure, as calculated by Herman et al. (Ref. 14). Bottom, the density of states as calculated using the Hamiltonian of Ref. 10 with the diamond structure (solid line) and the Bethe lattice (dashed line). The delta function indicated by a vertical line is found in both structures. Units are states/eV atom.
Amorphous Covalently Bonded Solids
Bethe Lattice:
connected cycle free graph
with coordination $z$

Embed cluster in Bethe Lattice Tree
"Cluster–Bethe-lattice" method: Electronic density of states of amorphous and crystalline homopolar solids

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A new method is developed to study the electronic density of states of infinite networks of atoms. The method involves treating part of the system exactly as a cluster and simulating the effects of the rest of the environment by connecting a Bethe lattice (Cayley tree) to the surface of the cluster. Calculations show that the local ringlike topologies of each atom are of primary importance in determining structure in the electronic density of states. The densities of states of the diamond, BC-8, and ST-12 structures are studied in detail using this method. These calculations are in excellent agreement with the exact results. Because of this, the method is used to obtain the density of states of the Polk and Connell random-network models. These models give the same radial distribution functions but exhibit striking differences in their densities of states which are interpreted in terms of topology.
Theory of fluctuations and localized states in amorphous tetrahedrally bonded solids

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Band tail at CB edge comes from fluctuations in network connectivity but at the VB edge it comes from bond angle fluctuations

FIG. 11. Trace of $p$-like densities of states for an atom at the center of a distorted tetrahedral unit with Bethe lattices attached outside. (a) Flat 90° bond-angle configuration. The bonding and antibonding states corresponding to the perpendicular $p$ orbital coalesce near 2.0 eV. (b) Configuration of atom type I in the ST-12 structure. A bona fide localized state produced by bond-angle distortions is represented by a $\delta$ function in the density of states.
Electronic structure of defects in amorphous arsenic

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FIG. 5. DOS spectra for atoms surrounding an "ideal" vacancy in the Bethe lattice. (Note right-hand side of figure; the dashed lines schematically indicate the interactions between the dangling orbitals at the vacancy.) In (a), the average DOS for the atoms surrounding the vacancy is shown. In (b)–(d), the local DOS about atoms Nos. 3, 2, and 1 are shown, respectively.
This part had Bob flummoxed.
Alkali Fulleride is Translationally Ordered but Orientationally Disordered

Deshpande, Erwin, Hong, GM (1993)

In view of this we now construct an effective medium for which only the retracing paths are included in the single-particle Green’s function. This network has the topology of a tree, or Bethe lattice, with one “ingoing” bond and eleven “outgoing” bonds at every node of the network. This network should be distinguished from the

Gelfand and Lu (1992)

FIG. 3. Densities of states vs energy for the $Pm\bar{3}$ structure and its maximally disordered version; the former is the one with two large peaks. The Fermi energy for three electrons per molecule is indicated; it is nearly unchanged upon disordering.
Physics at Surfaces
The "effective-field" method obtains the surface Green's function using a continued-fraction approach, where

\[ G_{00}(E) = [E - H_{00} - H_{01} \Phi(E)]^{-1} \]  \hspace{1cm} (1)

and

\[ \Phi(E) = [E - H_{00} - H_{01} \Phi(E)]^{-1} H_{01}^* \]  \hspace{1cm} (2)

Zero labels the surface layer and \( \Phi \) is called an effective field or sometimes a "transfer matrix."
Edge Modes of the Honeycomb Lattice

FIG. 4. (a) Projected band structure of the system shown in Fig. 3, where the energy is plotted in units of $|V_1|$. (b) A band of surface states is found for $k \gtrsim 2\pi/3a$ for energies near 0.2.

only in this projected gap
Intrinsic Surface Phonons in Porous Glass

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Raman scattering and infrared reflectivity measurements have been performed on samples of porous Vycor glass. Three features in the spectra are due to intrinsic surface phonons. This identification is supported by a simple new theory for the surface.

FIG. 1. Experimental spectra of porous Vycor (solid line) and vitreous silica (dashed line). Top, Raman intensities normalized to 1 at 440 cm$^{-1}$; bottom, absolute infrared-reflectance measurements. Typical error bars are comparable to the line thickness for the traces with the exception of the low-frequency (<450 cm$^{-1}$) region in the reflectance measurements, where they are ±0.5%. Arrows designate important changes in the spectra as discussed in the text.

FIG. 1. Transformation of Böhm lattices from model for the bulk to model for the surface. Breaking a bond generates two fundamental kinds of surface.
Bob at Stanford, Stockholm and in Daejeon
Theory of Pseudopotentials
Local pseudopotential theory for transition metals

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The IOPW Method
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The plane waves
\[ |\vec{k}\rangle \]

When orthogonalized to the core
\[ |\vec{k}'\rangle = |\vec{k}\rangle - \sum_c |\phi_c\rangle \langle \phi_c | \vec{k}\rangle \]

Are no longer orthogonal
\[ \langle \vec{k} | \vec{k}' \rangle = \sum_c \langle \vec{k} | \phi_c \rangle \langle \phi_c | \vec{k}' \rangle \neq \delta(\vec{k} - \vec{k}') \]

But Can Be Made So
\[ |IOPW, \vec{k}\rangle = \hat{S}_{\vec{k}, \vec{k}'}^{-1/2} |\vec{k}'\rangle = \left[ -\frac{\hat{P}_c}{\sqrt{1 + a_c^2}} + (\hat{I} - \hat{P}_c) \right] |\vec{k}'\rangle \]
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Plane waves made

\[ |\vec{k}\rangle \]

Normal to the core

\[ |\vec{k}\rangle_{\parallel} = |\vec{k}\rangle - \sum_c |\phi_c\rangle \langle \phi_c | \vec{k}\rangle \]

Aren’t orthonormal

\[ \langle \vec{k} | \vec{k}' \rangle = \sum_c \langle \vec{k} | \phi_c \rangle \langle \phi_c | \vec{k}' \rangle \neq \delta (\vec{k} - \vec{k}') \]

An-y-more

\[ |IOPW, \vec{k}\rangle = \hat{S}^{-1/2}_{\vec{k}, \vec{k}'}, |\vec{k}'\rangle = \left[ \frac{\hat{P}_c}{\sqrt{1 + a^2_c}} + (\hat{I} - \hat{P}_c) \right] |\vec{k}'\rangle \]

(haiku)
International Outer Planet Watch

IOPW: Titan Discipline
Some Reasons I’m Glad to Have Worked With JDJ

1. He introduced me to Kimo

2. His signature was easy to forge

3. RBL wanted to spend more time in his office than mine

4. He was designated driver from the Hilltop Steakhouse

5. I could house-sit his home in Belmont
Happy 60th, John!