

Homework 1. Tight-binding approximation

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1. Derive the dispersion equation and plot the band structure of a infinite chain of atoms: each unit cell consists of three atoms: first atom is connected with the third atom from the previous unit cell with coefficient $t_1 = te^{i\varphi_1}$, first with the second with coefficient $t_2 = te^{i\varphi_2}$, and second with third - with coefficient $2t$. $t = 1$, $\varphi_1 = \pi/3$, $\varphi_2 = \pi/6$.
2. Derive the dispersion equation of the chessboard square lattice, where tunnelling coefficients are equal to t , but the site energy of neighboring atoms differs by δ .
3. How the answer in problem 2 changes, if we add the tunneling between the next nearest neighbours with coefficient $t/5$?