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Structures and properties of one-dimensional materials

One-dimensional materials can be as small as a single atom in width and are the simplest possible orderable structures, which makes them ideal platforms for the study of fundamental properties of matter [1]. Analytical technique at single atom level is crucial to diagnose the atomic structures of one-dimensional materials and then to predict their physical/chemical performance. In my presentation, single atom imaging and spectroscopy by means of electron energy-loss spectroscopy (EELS) inside TEM/STEM will be shown to discriminate individual atoms in one-dimensional materials. Examples for intriguing physical phenomena from this emerging class of materials, such as Peierls distortions [2, 3], phase changes [4, 5], structural confinements [6, 7], will be presented. Also their transport or optical properties are attempted to correlate with their atomic structures [4, 8, 9].

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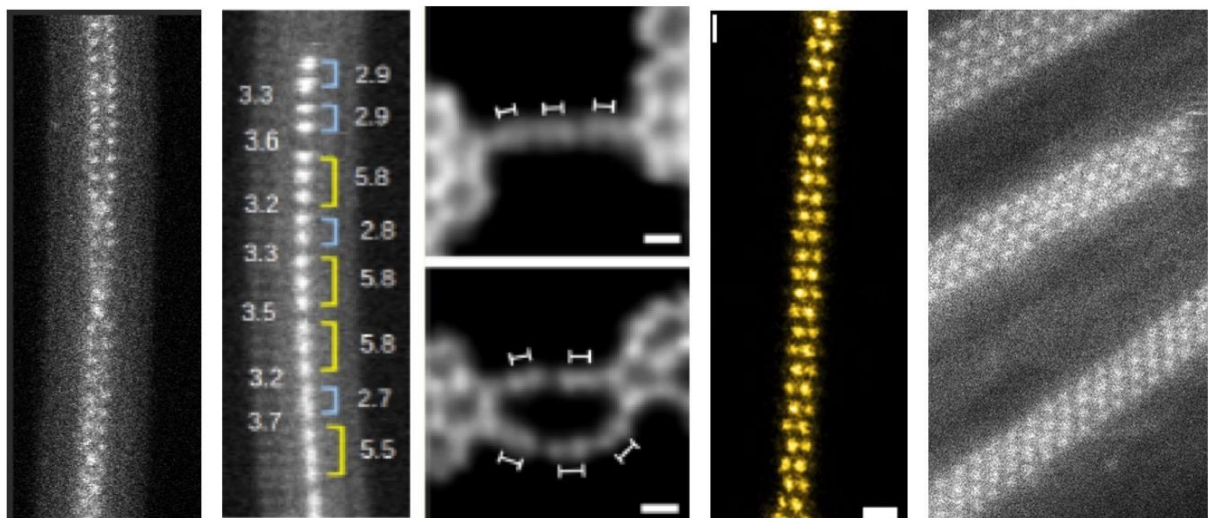


Figure 1: Examples for one-dimensional structures: (Left to right) Eu double atomic chains, iodine mono-atomic chains, carbon chains, MoSe nanowire, WS₂ nanoribbons.