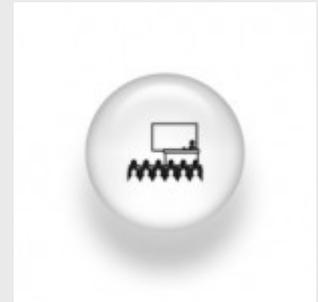


## Electronic transport in defective low dimensional carbon materials: nanotubes and graphene

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### ABSTRACT:

Electronic transport properties of carbon nanotubes and graphene are of interest due to their potential use in future electronic devices but also from a fundamental point of view. These materials, due to their low dimensionality and peculiar band structure, present a broad spectrum of electronic transport regimes.

In this talk I will first talk about our experimental work on carbon nanotubes focusing on the effect of different scattering mechanism: atomic scale defects [1] and high energy phonons [2], I will finish trying to give an overview of the phase diagram of electronic transport in carbon nanotubes.

Then I will focus on our work on chemically derived graphene. These graphene layers are obtained by a mass production technique based in the oxidation and subsequent reduction of graphite [3]. I will describe our experiments with the aim of characterizing this material from a structural [4], electronic [3,5] and mechanical [6] point of view. I will also discuss a route for enhancement of its conductivity [7].

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