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Example 4

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- Calculate the band-structure of graphene.
- Compare that to the bands of the 4 nanotubes:
 - zigzag: (12,0) & (13,0)
 - armchairs: (3,3) & (6,6).

• Notice that armchairs are metallic, but the effect of small diameter is clearly seen near the K-point.

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• Use Xcrysden to visualize the "HOMO".

- In the input flag, check the LDOS block
- The range of energies used, should be that of the HOMO. Use the .EIG file to check if that is the case.
- What can you say of the character of the state?
- You can also repeat the calculation for different energy ranges (LUMO, for example).

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- Feel free to try other nanotubes.
 - Change (n,n), (n,0).
 - Could you do (n,m)?
- Try substitutional defects in the tube
- Try BN nanotubes



Local Density of States



