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Energy Radiation from Plasmons on Nanotubes ANTONIOS BAL-
ASSIS, GODFREY GUMBS, Hunter College of CUNY — A formalism has been
developed for calculating the rate of transfer of energy from a current of charged
particles to multi-walled and a linear array of nanotubes. Numerical calculations are
presented for tubules of various radii and impact parameters of the moving charged
particles. The dispersion relation of the coupled tubules interacting through the
Coulomb interaction has several branches corresponding to excitation of electrons
within a subband as well as between energy subbands. The electric field of the
current excites these modes but one of them is unstable and radiates energy. This
is demonstrated in the spectrum of energy transfer with a “dip” unlike the other
plasmon modes which have a “peak” for arbitrary impact parameter. The single-
particle excitation spectrum does not have an instability for any charged particle
velocity or impact parameter.

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