

EXCITONIC POLARITONS IN ZnAs₂

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Exciton polaritons of ZnAs₂ nanocrystals were investigated. Parameters of singlet excitons (A) with $\Gamma_2^-(z)$ symmetry and orthoexcitons (B) $2\Gamma_1^-(y)+\Gamma_2^-(x)$ were determined. Spectral dependences of normal and anomaly dispersions of refractive index were calculated from interferential reflection and transmission spectra. It was shown, that A and B excitonic series were due to by hole V_1 and electron C_1 bands. The values of effective masses of electrons ($m_c^* = 0.10m_0$) and holes ($m_{v1}^* = 0.89m_0$). It was revealed that the hole mass m_{v1}^* changes from $1.03m_0$ to $0.55m_0$ at temperature increasing from 10 K to 230 K and the electron mass m_c^* does not depend on temperature. The integral absorption A ($\text{eV}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$) for states $n = 1, 2$ and 3 $\Gamma_2^-(z)$ excitons obeys to the dependence $A_n \approx n^{-3}$ it is characteristic for S-type excitonic functions. Temperature dependences of ground states integral absorption for $\Gamma_2^-(z)$ and $\Gamma_2^-(x)$ excitons differ. The ground states C and D excitons formed by $V_3 - C_1$ and $V_4 - C_1$ bands were found out and its parameters were determined.

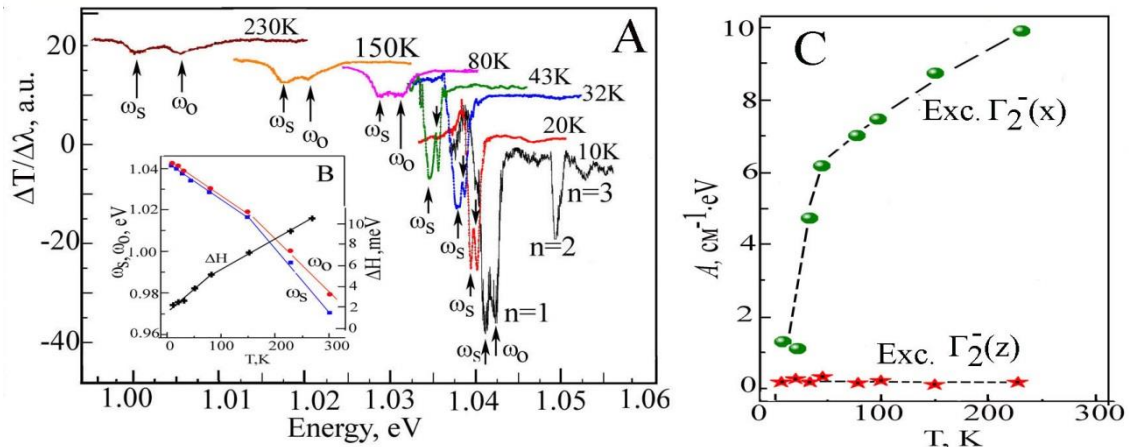


Fig. 1, A - Wavelength modulated transmission spectra ($\Delta T/\Delta\lambda$) of ZnAs₂ crystals of 17 μm thickness measured in $E\perp c$ polarization. B - Temperature dependence ω_s , ω_0 and half-width absorption band ΔH . C - Temperature dependence of integral absorption of excitons $\Gamma_2^-(z)$ and $\Gamma_2^-(x)$ ground states ($n = 1$).

Contours of wavelength modulated transmission spectra ($\Delta T/\Delta\lambda$) in $E\perp c$ polarization shift to long-wavelengths with temperature increasing, fig. 1, A. Simultaneously the bands minima ω_s and ω_0 move apart energetically and its half-width (ΔH) changes, fig. 1, B. A ω_s , ω_0 and ΔH change gradient change in temperature range 100 - 130 K, what is evidence of different temperature shift coefficients of bands responsible for $\Gamma_2^-(z)$ and $\Gamma_2^-(x)$ excitonic lines. Quantitative estimates of integral absorption A ($\text{eV}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$) have been made for absorption coefficients received from Kramers-Kronig analysis of reflection spectra for $n = 1, 2$ and 3 $\Gamma_2^-(z)$ excitons. The integral absorptions A are equal to $0.104 \text{ eV}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$, $0.002 \text{ eV}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$ and $0.001 \text{ eV}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$ for excited state for $n = 1, n = 2$ and $n = 3$ lines, respectively. This quantity measurements of integral absorption coefficient A for excitonic series $\Gamma_2^-(z)$ shows that the integral absorption for lines n series subordinates to dependence $A_n \approx n^{-3}$ that is typical for exciton envelope function of S-type. The integral absorption (A) for $n = 1$ line of $\Gamma_2^-(x)$ excitons changes in the range $1.44 - 10 \text{ eV}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$ at temperature variation from 10 K to 230 K (see Fig. 1, C).