



## Excitonic spectra and energy band structure of ZnAl<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> crystals

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## Abstract

Absorption, reflection and wavelength modulated reflection spectra were investigated in ZnAl<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> crystals. The energy positions of ground and excited states for three excitonic series (A, B and C) were determined. The main parameters of excitons and more precise values of energy intervals  $V_1(\Gamma_7)-C_1(\Gamma_6)$ ,  $V_2(\Gamma_6)-C_1(\Gamma_6)$ , and  $V_3(\Gamma_7)-C_1(\Gamma_6)$ were estimated. Values of splitting due to crystal field and spin–orbital interaction were calculated. Effective masses of electrons (m<sub>C1</sub>\*) and holes (m<sub>V1</sub>\*, m<sub>V2</sub>\*, m<sub>V3</sub>\*) were estimated. Reflection spectra contours in excitonic region were calculated using dispersion equations. Optical functions for  $E > E_g$  from measured reflection spectra were assigned on the base of Kramers–Kronig relations.

Keywords: chalcogenide semiconductors compounds, excitons, band structure, reflection and transmission spectra, Kramers–Kronig analysis

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