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Resonant Luminescence of Bound Exciton (A_0,X) and Electron Transport Observed in ZnO Grown by Plasma-Assisted Molecular Beam Epitaxy

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We want to discuss very interesting optical and electrical properties of ZnO based on the observation of radiative recombination and in terms of n and μ . High quality ZnO thin films were grown on LT-ZnO/c-Al₂O₃(1000) single crystal substrate by oxygen plasma assisted molecular beam epitaxy. The ZnO film deposited at 720 oC showed the full-width at half maximum of ω -rocking curve for ZnO(0002) diffraction line of 80 arcsec and concentration of $n=2.5 \times 10^{17}/\text{cm}^3$ with the high mobility of $\mu=105 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$. From the PL measurement at 10K-300K, one (D_0, X) and two (A_0,X) lines were well resolved at 10 K and were identified as I_3, I_{10} , and I_{11} respectively by calculating the activation energy obtained from curve fitting of changing intensity. In particular, great increase of the intensity I_{10} in PL at 50 K was observed and be reasoned by resonance due to the excitation of exciton bound neutral acceptor energy level. From the temperature dependent Hall measurement (T-Hall), it was found that mobility increased from 30 K to 130 K (maximum) and then decreasing and $\mu(T)$ vs. T was fitted by the solving the Boltzmann transport equation using Rode's method. From the results, at lower temperature region mobility strongly depended on both dislocation density and compensation ratio N_A/N_D (ratio of acceptor to donor concentration) and at high temperature the polar optical phonon scattering was regarded as main scattering factor. By the analyzing n vs. T , one donor level of 36 meV for 60K-110K and the other for 110K-300K was obtained. The electron transport and the origin of two shallow donors in undoped high quality ZnO thin film will be discussed.