

Optical studies of Transition Metal (Mn and Fe) doped ZnO bulk crystals

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Transition metal doped wide-gap semiconductors such as GaN or ZnO are of prominent candidate for future spintronics applications. In this study, we report optical properties of ZnO:Mn and ZnO:Fe bulk crystals by photoluminescence measurements and Raman scattering spectra. First, we recorded PL spectra as a function of temperature (5.0 K ~ 300 K). At high temperature above 60 K, free-carrier like transition dominates whereas bound exciton transitions dominate at low temperature. We calculated activation energy (E_a) of ZnO:Fe and ZnO:Fe bulk crystals by Arrhenius function. The activation energy of $D^{\circ}X(1)$ and $D^{\circ}X(2)$ for ZnO:Mn bulk crystal is 10.67 meV and 15.64 meV respectively, in comparison to the relatively small activation energy of $D^{\circ}X$ for ZnO:Mn bulk crystal (6.6 meV). Observed Raman spectra of $Zn_{1-x}T_xO$ (T=Mn, Fe) single crystals are similar to difference references. In the measured Raman spectra, conventionally well known A1 and E2 related peaks appear. We will discuss detailed temperature-dependence of photoluminescence transitions and room temperature Raman spectra of different transition metal doped samples. This work was supported by Seoul Development Institute(SDI) as a project of 'Cluster for Advanced Information Display with enhanced Human Sensibility Ergonomics'(2005)