



RADIATIVE LIFETIME OF BORON-BOUND EXCITONS IN DIAMOND STUDIED BY ULTRAVIOLET ABSORPTION

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Recent progresses in doping control techniques for diamond accelerate the use of doped diamond in electronic applications. Because boron impurities play a unique and important role as acceptors providing p-type conductivity, boron-doped diamond has been intensely studied, e.g. by Hall effect measurements and infrared spectroscopy [1]. On the other hand, the boron-bound exciton complex formed due to capture of an exciton at a boron impurity has so far been discussed only on the basis of cathodoluminescence (CL) [2, 3]. Although the bound excitons dominate the luminescence spectra, no absorption spectra had been measured so far. This situation impedes uncovering the bound-exciton recombination processes, which should be crucial for a deep understanding of its physical properties and optimization of diamond-based devices.

In this study, we measured the absorption spectrum due to boron-bound excitons in diamond near the absorption edge of the intrinsic diamond [Fig. 1(a)]. The investigated sample of 250 μm thickness was synthesized by the plasma-assisted chemical vapor deposition (CVD) method with the boron concentration of $1.8 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ [4]. Based on the absorption cross section as shown in Fig. 1(b), the oscillator strength of the no-phonon (NP) lines was determined to be 3.0×10^{-5} . This value satisfies the scaling law established for silicon between the oscillator strength and the localization energy. More importantly, we also assessed the oscillator strength of 1.2×10^{-3} for the transverse optical (TO) phononassisted transition, which dominates the spectra and provides an associated radiative lifetime of 1.8 μs . The obtained radiative lifetime is two orders of magnitude shorter than that in silicon.

Our first successful measurements of ultraviolet absorption facilitate the prediction of radiative and non-radiative lifetimes of bound excitons in variously doped diamond by using scaling laws [5].

Figure 1 – (a) Absorption spectra of boron-doped (solid line) and intrinsic (dotted line) diamond near the band edge. (b) Enlarged NP lines showing the absorption cross section by the shaded area.

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