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Shedding Light on the Emission Mechanisms of $\text{In}_{0.54}\text{Ga}_{0.46}\text{N}$ Disks in GaN Nanowires Using C.W. Non-Linear Spectroscopy¹

CAMERON NELSON, ALBERT LIU, SANIYA DESHPANDE, SHAFAT JAHANGIR, PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, DUNCAN STEEL, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor: EECS Department — Linear and non-linear spectroscopy has been performed on an ensemble of 3 nm thick $\text{In}_{0.54}\text{Ga}_{0.46}\text{N}$ disks grown in self-assembled GaN nanowires (~ 30 nm diameter). PLE measurements nearly resonant with the PL show a mostly broad, featureless spectrum with a linear increase in absorption as a function of energy, similar to InGaN/GaN quantum wells. Unlike InGaN quantum wells, the centroid of the PL spectrum shows a negligible intensity-dependent shift in PL emission wavelength. Further, the non-linear optical spectrum is dominated by excitonic resonances with line widths $\sim 20\text{-}30$ meV in the same region as the PLE data. Distinguishable peaks in the PL spectrum overlap with the non-linear resonances. Continuous -wave nearly degenerate pump-probe absorption measurements show no evidence of spectral hole burning within the resonances; however there is evidence of population pulsations in the 3rd order signal. This data shows evidence consistent with regular excitonic saturation and two beam coupling similar to that expected in discrete (e.g. 2 or 3 level systems). The excitonic behavior is also consistent with anti-bunching seen in g^2 measurements from single dots.

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