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**First-principles study of monolayer and bilayer TaSe<sub>2</sub>**<sup>1</sup> MACK ADRIAN DELA CRUZ, JIA-AN YAN, Department of Physics, Astronomy and Geosciences, Towson University — Two-dimensional atomic crystals of transition metal dichalcogenides (such as MoS<sub>2</sub>, TaSe<sub>2</sub>, etc.) are currently attracting growing attention due to the broad variety of electronic properties presented in these systems. Here we present a first-principles study of the structural, electronic and vibrational properties of monolayer and bilayer TaSe<sub>2</sub>, which is a charge-density wave material in the bulk form. The structure of monolayer TaSe<sub>2</sub> is determined by performing a series of total energy calculations. For bilayer TaSe<sub>2</sub>, various stackings of monolayer TaSe<sub>2</sub> with the hexagonal (2H) and the trigonal (1T) phases, will be considered. Calculated electronic and phonon properties of the energetically favorable states will be compared with the available experimental data.

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