

Analysis of Photoluminescence measurement data from interdiffused Quantum Wells by Real coded Quantum inspired Evolutionary Algorithm

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Photoluminescence is a widely used process for measurement of interdiffusion parameters in semiconductor quantum well heterostructures. This method correlates the changes of the confined energy levels (PL peak energy) into characteristic diffusion length (LD) of the quantum well structure by a linear theoretical model. The correlated LD² is plotted against annealing time, t, to determine the interdiffusion coefficient, D (T), by using the following equation:

$$LD^2 = 4D(T)t$$

The interdiffusion parameters viz., activation energy, E_a, and the interdiffusion prefactor, D₀, are determined by using Arrhenius equation:

$$D(T) = D_0 \exp(-E_a/(KT))$$

Where K is Boltzmann Constant and T is annealing temperature in Kelvin.

Evolutionary Algorithm (EA) mimics process of natural evolution. RQiEA has been designed by integrating superposition and entanglement ideas from quantum computing in EA. It uses adaptive quantum inspired rotation gates to evolve population qubits. It has been shown that QiEAs are more powerful than EAs as they can better balance Exploration and Exploitation during search process.

Summary

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