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Laser Diodes

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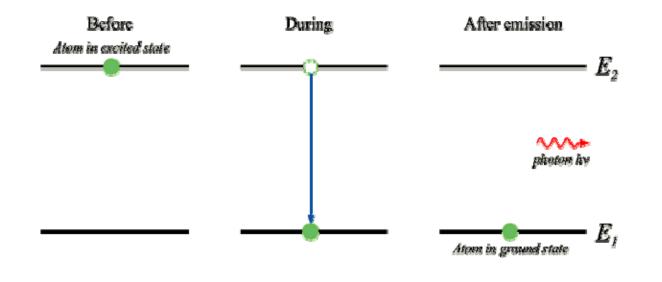


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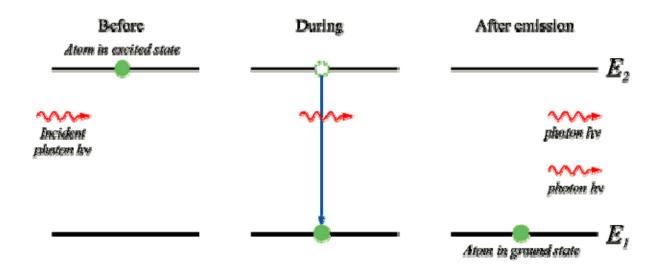
Spontaneous emission



 $h\nu = E_2 - E_1$

Spontaneous emission dominates in fluorescent lighting and light emitting diodes. In a gas, the conservation of momentum is easily maintained. For a semiconductor, a direct bandgap material is necessary.

Stimulated emission



Stimulated emission is responsible for the coherent light of lasers.

$$W_{\text{stimulated}}(\omega) = W_{\text{spontaneous}}(\omega) \cdot n_{ph}(\omega)$$

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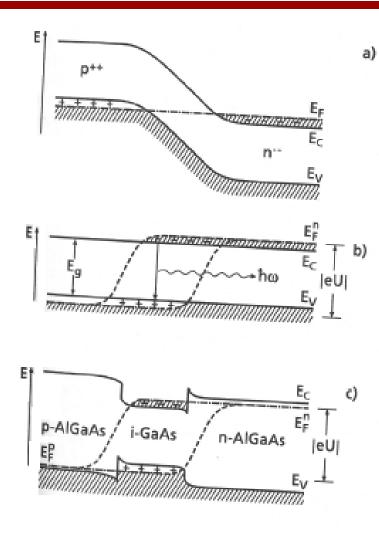
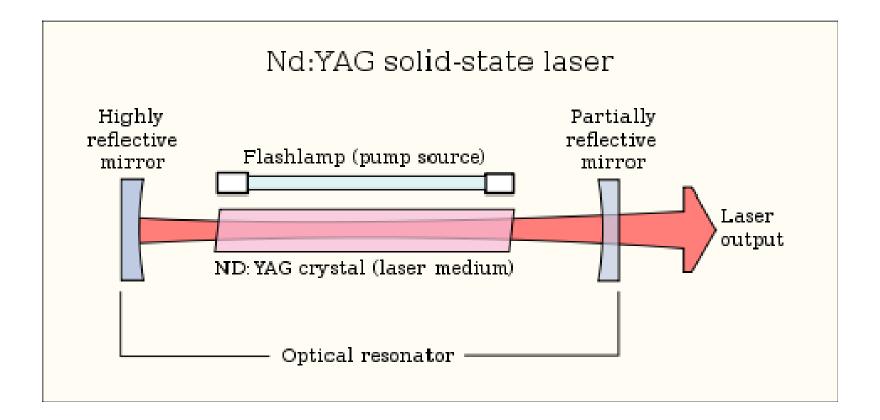


Fig. 12.37. Electronic band schemes E(x) of pn-semiconductor laser structures along a direction x perpendicular to the layer structure: (a) Degenerately doped p++n-junction without external bias (thermal equilibrium); (b) same p**n- junction with maximum bias U in forward direction; (c) double-heterostructure pin junc tion of p-AlGaAs/i-GaAs/n-AlGaAs with maximum bias U in forward direction. $E_{\rm F}^{\rm u}$, $E_{\rm F}^{\rm p}$ are the quasi-Fermi levels in the n- and p-region, respectively; $E_{\rm C}$ and $E_{\rm V}$ are conduction and valence band edges:

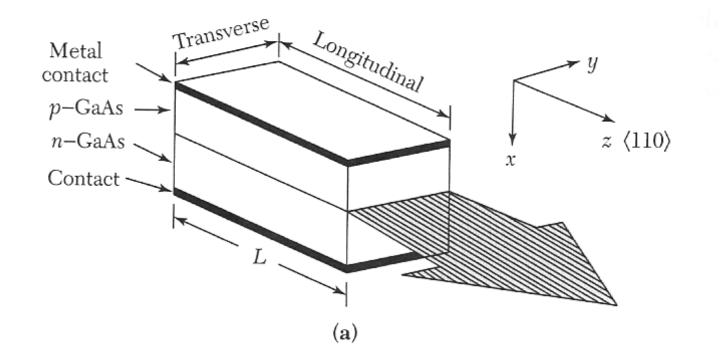
Ibach & Lueth, Solid-State Physics

Optical cavity



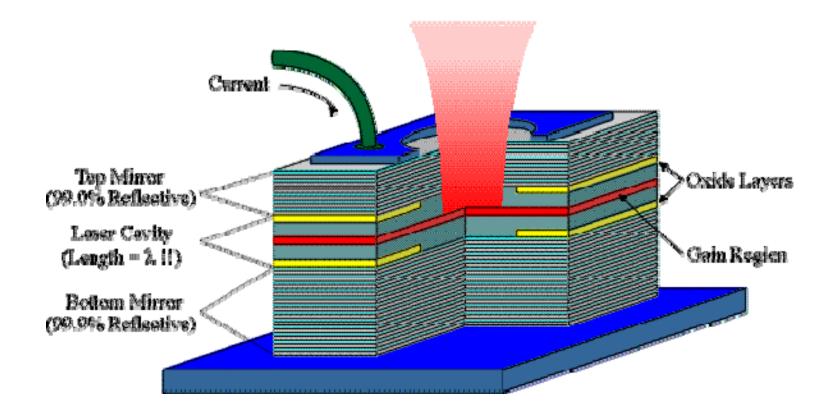
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Laser diode

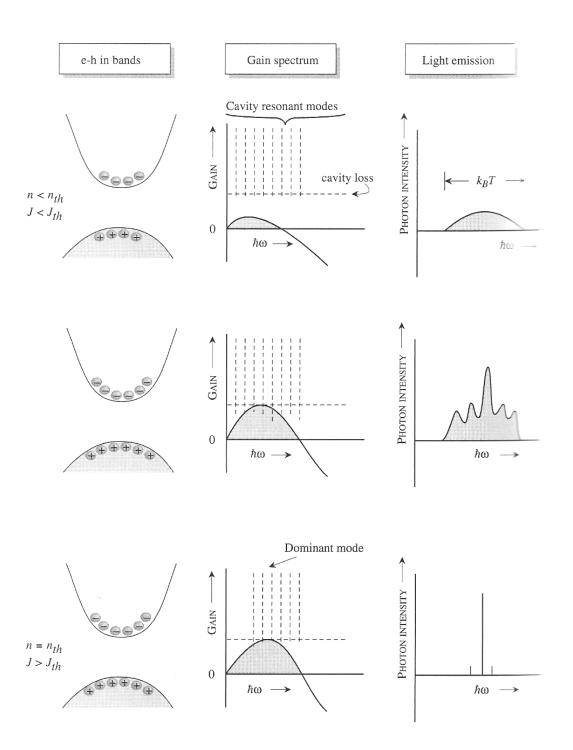


The faces of the crystal are cleaved to make mirrors.

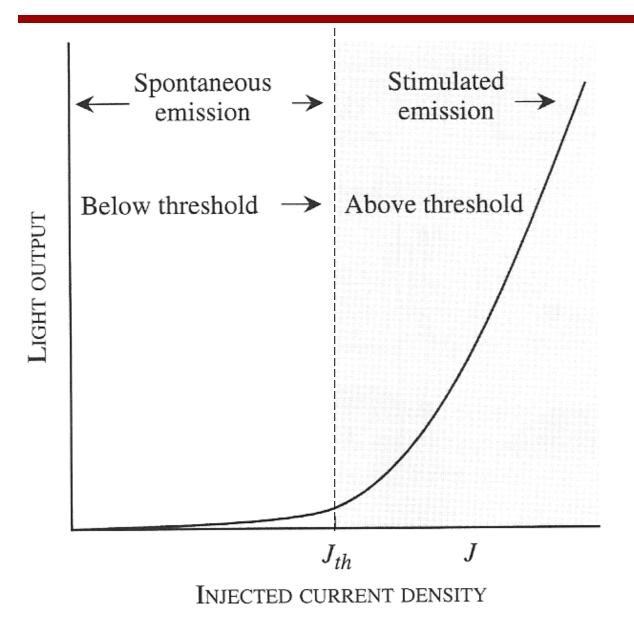
Vertical-cavity surface-emitting laser (VCSEL)

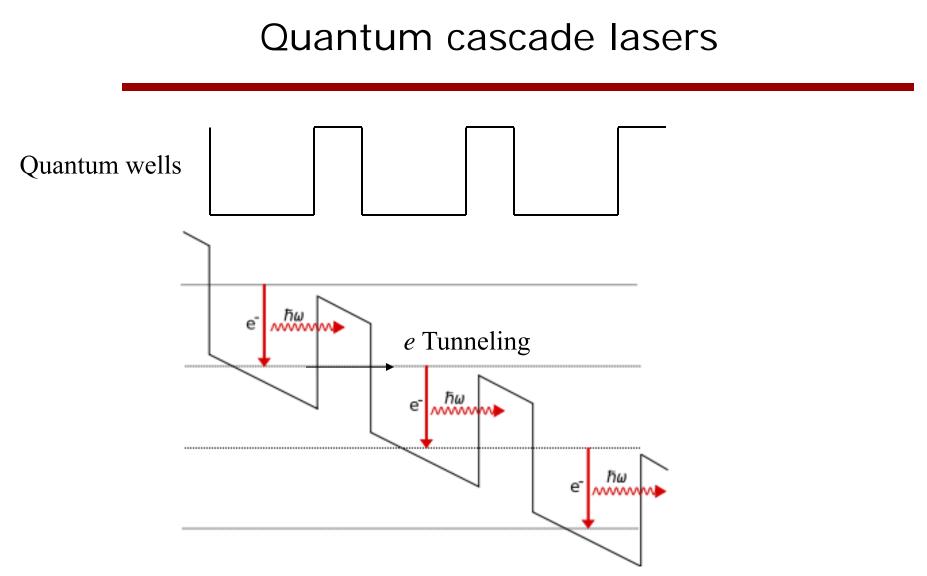


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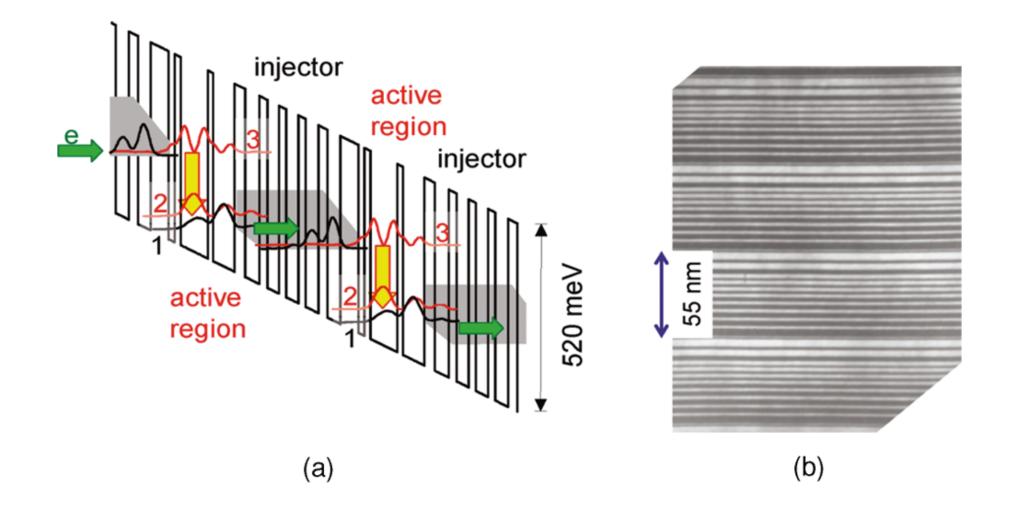
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Energy levels depend on the width of the wells so lasers can be made at many frequencies (mid to far infrared 2.75 - 250 μ m). Many colors can be made with one materials system. Window in atmosphere at 5 μ m used for point-to-point communications.

Quantum cascade lasers



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