

What material is the new type of laser diode made of



Overview

Aluminum gallium arsenide (AlGaAs) is the semiconductor material in the laser structure. A laser diode (LD, also injection laser diode or ILD or semiconductor laser or diode laser) is a semiconductor device similar to a light-emitting diode in which a diode pumped directly with electrical current can create lasing conditions at the diode's junction. : 3 Driven by voltage, the doped. In this article, the development of mid-UV laser diodes based on the AlGaN materials system is reviewed. The targeted wavelength for these lasers covers the range from 200 to 350 nm. In such a heterostructure of a bipolar interband laser, electrons and holes can recombine, releasing the energy. Laser diodes are a diverse family of electrically pumped semiconductor lasers. All lasers have key characteristics in common though: A gain mechanism and a resonating cavity.



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A laser diode is electrically a PIN diode. The active region of the laser diode is in the intrinsic (I) region, and the carriers (electrons and holes) are pumped into that region from the N and P regions respectively. While initial diode laser research was conducted on simple P-N diodes, all modern lasers use the double-hetero-structure implementation, where the carriers and the photons are confined in order to maximiz...

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The semiconductor materials used for laser diodes depend on the desired laser emission wavelength. The gain region is then created using different semiconductors and their common dopants.

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