

Special Issue

Ab Initio Modeling of 2D Semiconductors and Semimetals

Message from the Guest Editor

Two-dimensional materials (2D) have been studied very intensively in recent years due to their extraordinary physical properties. Based on graphene-like monolayers, van der Waals systems may form countless multilayer structures. Their electronic properties depend on the number of 2D atomic layers and are different from those characteristic of bulk materials. In particular, the van der Waals engineering of heterostructures enables the design of novel systems with complex electronic structures. Ab initio calculations are widely used to predict band structures of 2D materials, with special attention paid to band gaps and topologically nontrivial states. Various physical properties may be studied with the density functional theory (DFT) calculations, e.g., equilibrium structural parameters, mechanical and thermodynamical stability, etc. Additional theoretical methods may be employed in investigations of more complex phenomena, e.g., excitonic states and transport properties (thermoelectric effect). The proposed Special Issue is to publish a set of original papers based on ab initio calculations of various properties of 2D semiconductor and semimetallic materials.

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