



New narrow-gap semiconducting solid solutions

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Abstract

Within the frames of the method based on the genesis of an electronic spectrum out of atomic p-states (p-model [1]) the band structure rearrangement in dependence on composition of cubic solid solutions $(\text{TlB}^5\text{C}^6_2)_{1-x}(\text{2A}^4\text{B}^6)_x$ has been investigated. These compounds are shown to be narrow-gap semiconductors. The existence of a new group of solid solutions $(\text{TlSbC}^6_2)_{1-x}(\text{2PbB}^6)_x$ and $(\text{TlBiC}^6_2)_{1-x}(\text{2SnTe})_x$ has been predicted, for which the transition through a gapless state is characteristic. The dependencies of the band gap and of effective masses on composition have been calculated.