

# II-VI Crystals

CdS, CdTe, ZnS, ZnSe, ZnTe

(Data apply to high-resistivity, nearly intrinsic material at room temperature unless otherwise noted)

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	CdS	CdSe	CdTe*	ZnS (Hex) <sup>(a)*</sup>	ZnS (Cub)*	ZnSe*	ZnTe*
<b>Micron range of &gt;50% transmission (2mm xtal)</b>	0.53 - 15 <sup>(41)</sup>	0.8 - 18	1 - 28	---	0.4 - 14	0.5 - 19	0.6 <sup>(9)</sup> - 25
<b>Absorption coeff. @10.6μm (cm<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	0.01	0.001	(1) 3)	---	---	0.005	0.008
<b>Index of refraction<sup>(b)</sup></b>							
	---	---	---	---	2.4208 <sup>(5)</sup>	2.750 <sup>(52)</sup>	---
0.55μm n <sub>o</sub> n <sub>e</sub>	2.580 2.593 <sup>(46)</sup>	---	---	---	---	2.655 <sup>(6)</sup> 2.670 <sup>(52)</sup>	---
0.589μm n <sub>o</sub> n <sub>e</sub>	2.525 <sup>(2)</sup>	---	---	2.356 2.378 <sup>(4)</sup>	2.369 <sup>(4)</sup>	2.625 <sup>(52)</sup>	3.054 <sup>(9)</sup>
n <sub>o</sub> n <sub>e</sub>	2.465 2.483 <sup>(46)</sup>	---	---	---	2.3523 <sup>(5)</sup>	<sup>(52)</sup>	2.984 <sup>(9)</sup>
0.70μm n <sub>o</sub> n <sub>e</sub>	2.414 2.432 <sup>(46)</sup>	---	---	---	2.333 <sup>(5)</sup>	---	2.913 <sup>(9)</sup>
0.80μm n <sub>o</sub> n <sub>e</sub>	2.377 2.394 <sup>(46)</sup>	2.6448 2.6607 <sup>(5)</sup>	---	---	2.3146 <sup>(5)</sup>	---	2.853 <sup>(9)</sup>
1.00μm n <sub>o</sub> n <sub>e</sub>	2.336 <sup>(46)</sup>	2.5502 2.5696 <sup>(5)</sup>	2.84 <sup>(3)</sup>	---	2.2932 <sup>(5)</sup>	2.48 <sup>(3)</sup>	2.790 <sup>(9)</sup>
1.40μm n <sub>o</sub>	2.304 2.321 <sup>(46)</sup>	2.4929 2.5133 <sup>(5)</sup>	---	---	2.2762 <sup>(5)</sup>	---	2.741 <sup>(9)</sup>



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$n_e$							
3.39 $\mu$ m $n_o$ $n_e$	2.2747 2.2907 <sup>(2)</sup>	2.4562 2.4754 <sup>(2)(d)</sup>	---	---	---	---	---
10.6 $\mu$ m $n_o$ $n_e$	2.226 2.239 <sup>(2)</sup>	2.430 2.448 <sup>(2)(d)</sup>	2.6708 <sup>(5)</sup> 0	---	---	2.392 <sup>(7)</sup> 2.407 <sup>(51)</sup>	2.70 <sup>(8)</sup>
<b>1/n dn/dT RT(10<sup>-5</sup>/°C)</b>							
0.69 $\mu$ m	10.11	---	---	---	---	---	---
1 $\mu$ m o-ray e-ray	---	12 12	---	---	---	2.655 <sup>(6)</sup> 2.670 <sup>(52)</sup>	---
10.6 $\mu$ m o-ray e-ray	6.0 6.2 <sup>(48)</sup>	---	9.8 <sup>(49)</sup>	---	4.6 <sup>(49)</sup>	5.2 <sup>(49)</sup>	---
<b>Electro-Optic Constants</b>							
$r_{41}^T$ (pm/V) Halfwave Voltage(kV) Wavelength( $\mu$ m)	---	---	4.5 <sup>(10)</sup> 5 1.0	---	-1.5 9.4 0.436	1.9 <sup>(54)</sup> 9.45 0.633	4.51 <sup>(9)</sup> 2.3 0.589
$r_{41}^T$ (pm/V) Halfwave Voltage(kV) Wavelength( $\mu$ m)	---	---	6.8 <sup>(8)</sup> 42 10.6	---	-2.1 10.7 0.589	1.9 <sup>(54)</sup> 200 10.6	3.9 <sup>(10)</sup> 69 10.6
$r_{41}^S$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu$ m)	---	---	---	---	1.6 0.633	2.0 <sup>(8)</sup> 0.633	4.3 <sup>(8)</sup> 0.633
$r_{41}^S$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu$ m)	---	---	---	---	1.4 3.39	---	---
$r_{51}^T$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu$ m)	1.6 <sup>(44)</sup> 0.633	---	---	---	---	---	---
$r_{13}^T$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu$ m)	3.1 <sup>(44)</sup> 1.15	---	---	---	---	---	---
$r_{13}^S$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu$ m)	1.1 <sup>(43)</sup> 0.633	1.8 <sup>(43)</sup> 3.39	---	0.92 <sup>(43,45)</sup> 0.633	---	---	---

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$r_{33}^T$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu\text{m}$ )	3.2 <sup>(44)</sup> 1.15	1.6 <sup>(53)</sup> 0.8	---	---	---	---	---
$r_{33}^S$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu\text{m}$ )	2.4 <sup>(43)</sup> 0.633	4.3 <sup>(43)</sup> 3.39	---	-1.85 <sup>(43.45)</sup> 0.633	---	---	---
$r_c^T$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu\text{m}$ )	4.8 <sup>(44)</sup> 0.633	---	---	---	---	---	---
$r_c^T$ (pm/V) Wavelength( $\mu\text{m}$ )	5.5 <sup>(43)</sup> 10.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
<b>NLO Susceptibility (pm/V)<sup>(8,54)</sup></b>							
$d_{14}$ @28 $\mu\text{m}$	---	---	60	---	---	---	---
$d_{14}$ @10.6 $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>(f)</sup>	---	---	---	---	30	80	90
$d_{33}$ @10.6 $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>(f)</sup>	44 $\pm$ 13	44 $\pm$ 13	55 $\pm$ 13	37 $\pm$ 13	---	---	---
$d_{31}$ @10.6 $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>(f)</sup>	-26 $\pm$ 6	-29 $\pm$ 6	---	-19 $\pm$ 6	---	---	---
$d_{15}$ @10.6 $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>(f)</sup>	29 $\pm$ 7	31 $\pm$ 8	---	21 $\pm$ 8	---	---	---
$d_{14}$ @1.06 $\mu\text{m}$	---	---	---	---	25	103	108
$d_{33}$ @1.06 $\mu\text{m}$	100	---	---	44	---	---	---
$d_{31}$ @1.06 $\mu\text{m}$	-16 $\pm$ 1	---	---	-9 $\pm$ 2	---	---	---
$d_{15}$ @1.06 $\mu\text{m}$	17 $\pm$ 1	---	---	8 $\pm$ 1	---	---	---
<b>Piezo-Optic Constants(pm<sup>2</sup>/N )</b>							
$q_{11}$ @10.6 $\mu\text{m}$	---	---	-5.91 $\pm$ 0.21 <sup>(14)</sup>	---	---	---	---
$q_{12}$ @10.6 $\mu\text{m}$	---	---	2.22 $\pm$ 0.08 <sup>(14)</sup>	---	---	---	---
$q_{44}$	---	---	-2.85 $\pm$ 0.33 <sup>(14)</sup> (10.6 $\mu\text{m}$ )	---	-1.70 @0.6 $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>(5)</sup> 5)	-1.45 @0.63 $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>(5)</sup> 55)	-1.62 @0.7 $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>(5)</sup> 5)
<b>Pulsed Damage Threshold (MW/cm<sup>2</sup>)</b>	---	60 <sup>(2)</sup>	---	---	---	---	---
<b>Structure type<sup>(16)</sup></b>	Heaxagon	Heaxagon	Cubic	Heaxagon	Cubic	Cubic	Cubic

	<b>CdS</b>	<b>CdSe</b>	<b>CdTe*</b>	<b>ZnS (Hex)<sup>(a)*</sup></b>	<b>ZnS (Cub)*</b>	<b>ZnSe*</b>	<b>ZnTe*</b>
	al Wurtzite	al Wurtzite	Sphalerite	al Wurtzite	Sphalerite	Sphalerite	Sphalerite
<b>Space Group<sup>(16)</sup></b>	P6mc	P6mc	F 3m	P6mc <sup>(a)</sup>	F 3m	F 3m	F 3m
<b>Wurtzite Parameter u (ideal=0.375)<sup>(17)</sup></b>	0.378	0.377	---	0.374	---	---	---
<b>Lattice Constants Å, 25°C</b>	Ref (18)	Ref (18)		Ref (19)	Ref (20)		
a <sub>0</sub>	4.1367 ±0.0003	4.2972 ±0.0003	6.4830 ±0.0004	3.8218 ±0.0004	5.4094 ±0.0002	5.6687 ±0.0003	6.1034 ±0.0003
c <sub>0</sub>	6.7161 ±0.0005	7.0064 ±0.0005	----- -----	6.25875 ±0.0001	----- -----	----- -----	----- -----
<b>Calc'd Density g/cc, 25°C</b>	4.819	5.670	5.849	4.087	4.088	5.262	5.636
<b>Cleavage</b>	---	---	[110]	[11 0] [10 0]	[110]	[110]	[110]
<b>Thermal Expansion (10<sup>-6</sup>/°C)</b>			4.5 <sup>(21)</sup>	6.5 <sup>(22)</sup>	5.9	7.1 <sup>(7)</sup>	8.36
Perp. to c	---	---	---	4.6 <sup>(22)</sup>	---	---	---
Along c			50	25	25-100	29	25-100
Temp range°C							
<b>Thermal Conductivity (W/cm/°C), 25°C</b>	---	---	0.06	---	---	0.19 <sup>(56)</sup>	--
<b>Heat Capacity (J/mole/°C)</b>	---	---	54 <sup>(40)</sup>	---	47 <sup>(24)</sup>	51 <sup>(40)</sup>	51
<b>Melting Point, °C</b>	1397 ±2 <sup>(18)</sup>	1258 ±2 <sup>(18)</sup>	1097 ±2	1718 ±10 <sup>(25)</sup>	---	1526 ±10 <sup>(25)</sup>	1292 ±5
<b>Flexural Strength (psi)</b>	~4000	~3000	~3000	~10000	---	~8500	~3500
<b>Estimated max. safe operating temp, °C</b>	---	---	>200	>200	>200	>200	>200
<b>Dark resistivity</b>							

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<b>(ohm-cm)</b>							
Typical As-Grown	~2000	~2000	~1000	---	10 <sup>8</sup>	10 <sup>8</sup>	~10
Max. (compensated)	>10 <sup>9</sup>	>10 <sup>9</sup>	>10 <sup>7</sup>	---	10 <sup>9</sup> -10 <sup>10(1)</sup> <sub>1)</sub>	10 <sup>8</sup> -10 <sup>9(23)</sup>	10 <sup>8</sup> -10 <sup>9</sup>
Minimum	<10 <sup>-2</sup>	<10 <sup>-2</sup>	<10 <sup>-2</sup>	---	---	<10 <sup>-1</sup>	<10
Type	n	n	p or n	p	p	n	p
<b>Hall Mobilities (cm<sup>2</sup>/V-sec) (highest measured)</b>							
300°K	350(e)	650(e)	1000(e)	---	100(e)	400(e)	130(h)
80°K	5200(e)	5000(e)	10000(e) )	---	---	5000(e)	2600(h)
<b>Energy Gap(eV)300°K</b>	2.42 <sup>(28)</sup>	1.72 <sup>(29)</sup>	1.44 <sup>(39)</sup>	---	---	2.7	2.23 <sup>(32)</sup>
<b>dE<sub>g</sub>/dT (eV/°K)</b>	-5E-4 <sup>(27)</sup>	-4E-4 <sup>(30)</sup>	---	3.6	---	---	-5.5E-4 <sup>(32)</sup> )
<b>Effective carrier mass</b>							
Electrons	0.205m <sub>e</sub> <sup>(33)</sup>	0.130m <sub>e</sub>	0.11m <sub>e</sub>	0.27m <sub>e</sub>	---	0.17m <sub>e</sub>	---
Holes	2.1m <sub>e</sub> <sup>(33)</sup>	0.7m <sub>e</sub>	0.63m <sub>e</sub>	---	---	---	0.6m <sub>e</sub>
<b>Sound velocities,25°C(m /s)</b>							
Longitudinal Waves							
propagation along c particle motion along c	4470	3860	---	---	---	---	---
propagation perp. to c particle motion perp. to c	4340	3610	3020	---	5060	4040	3560
Transverse Waves							

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propagation along c particle motion perp. to c	1770	1520	1850	---	3360	2780	2350
propagation perp. to c particle motion along to c	1800	1530	---	---	---	---	---
propagation perp. to c particle motion perp. to c	1700	1590	---	---	---	---	---
<b>Relative dielectric constant 25°C<sup>(34)</sup></b>							
$\epsilon_{33}^T / \epsilon_0$	10.33	10.65	---	8.00 <sup>(41)</sup>	---	---	---
$\epsilon_{11}^T / \epsilon_0$	9.35	9.70	11.0 <sup>(39)</sup>	8.58 <sup>(41)</sup>	8.37	9.25 <sup>(39)</sup>	10.10
$\epsilon_{33}^T / \epsilon_0$	9.53	10.20	---	---	---	---	---
$\epsilon_{11}^T / \epsilon_0$	9.02	9.53	---	---	8.32	9.12	10.10
<b>Piezoelectric Coefficients, 25°C</b>							
$d_{31}$ (pC/N)	-5.18	-3.92	---	-1.1 <sup>(12)</sup>	---	---	---
$d_{33}$ (pC/N)	10.32	7.87	---	3.2 <sup>(12)</sup>	---	---	---
$d_{15}$ (pC/N)	-13.98	-10.51	---	-2.8 <sup>(12)</sup>	---	---	---
$d_{14}$ (pC/N)	---	---	1.54	---	3.18	1.10	0.91
$d_h$ (pC/N)	0.0	0.0	---	1.1 <sup>(12)</sup>	---	---	---
$e_{31}$ (C/m <sup>2</sup> )	-0.244	-0.160	---	0.10 <sup>(26)</sup>	---	---	---
$e_{33}$ (C/m <sup>2</sup> )	0.440	0.347	---	0.35 <sup>(26)</sup>	---	---	---
$e_{15}$ (C/m <sup>2</sup> )	-0.210	-0.138	---	-0.08 <sup>(26)</sup>	---	---	---
$e_{14}$ (C/m <sup>2</sup> )	---	---	~0.304	---	0.147	0.049	0.0284
<b>Piezoelectric Coupling Factors<sup>(34)</sup></b>							
$k_{33}$	0.262	0.194	---	0.127 <sup>(12)</sup>	---	---	---
$k_{31}$	0.1191	0.0836	---	0.039 <sup>(12)</sup>	---	---	---

	CdS	CdSe	CdTe*	ZnS (Hex) <sup>(a)*</sup>	ZnS (Cub)*	ZnSe*	ZnTe*
k <sub>15</sub>	0.1885	0.1305	---	0.052 <sup>(12)</sup>	---	---	---
k <sub>t</sub>	0.154	0.124	---	---	---	---	---
k <sub>14</sub>	---	---	~-0.023	---	0.0795	0.026	0.017
<b>Elastic Constants<sup>(34)</sup> (10<sup>-11</sup>m<sup>2</sup>/N)</b>							
S <sub>11</sub> <sup>E</sup>	2.069	2.338	---	---	1.839	2.26	2.40
S <sub>33</sub> <sup>E</sup>	1.697	1.735	---	---	---	---	---
S <sub>12</sub> <sup>E</sup>	-0.999	-1.122	---	---	-0.707	-0.85	-0.873
S <sub>13</sub> <sup>E</sup>	-0.581	-0.572	---	---	---	---	---
S <sub>44</sub> <sup>E</sup>	6.649	7.595	---	---	2.168	2.27	3.21
S <sub>66</sub>	6.136	6.920	---	~3.12? <sup>(35)</sup>	---	---	---
S <sub>11</sub> <sup>D</sup>	2.040	2.322	---	~1.10? <sup>(35)</sup>	---	---	---
S <sub>33</sub> <sup>D</sup>	1.581	1.670	---	~0.85? <sup>(35)</sup>	---	---	---
S <sub>12</sub> <sup>D</sup>	-1.028	-1.138	---	~-0.46 <sup>(35)</sup>	---	---	---
S <sub>13</sub> <sup>D</sup>	-0.523	-0.539	---	~-0.21 <sup>(35)</sup>	---	---	---
S <sub>44</sub> <sup>D</sup>	6.412	7.466	---	~3.51 <sup>(35)</sup>	2.154	2.27	3.21
C <sub>11</sub> <sup>E</sup>	9.07	7.41	5.351 <sup>(36)</sup>	---	10.46	8.59 <sup>(37)</sup>	7.13
C <sub>33</sub> <sup>E</sup>	9.38	8.36	---	---	---	---	---
C <sub>12</sub> <sup>E</sup>	5.81	4.52	3.681 <sup>(36)</sup>	---	6.53	5.06 <sup>(37)</sup>	4.07
C <sub>13</sub> <sup>E</sup>	5.10	3.93	---	---	---	---	---
C <sub>44</sub> <sup>E</sup>	1.504	1.317	1.994 <sup>(36)</sup>	---	4.613	4.06 <sup>(37)</sup>	3.12
C <sub>66</sub>	1.630	1.445	---	~3.2 <sup>(35)</sup>	---	---	---
C <sub>11</sub> <sup>D</sup>	9.13	7.42	---	~12.4 <sup>(35)</sup>	---	8.59 <sup>(37)</sup>	---
C <sub>33</sub> <sup>D</sup>	9.623	8.477	---	~14.0 <sup>(35)</sup>	---	---	---
C <sub>12</sub> <sup>D</sup>	5.888	4.53	---	~6.0 <sup>(35)</sup>	---	5.06 <sup>(37)</sup>	---
C <sub>13</sub> <sup>D</sup>	4.97	3.86	---	~4.5 <sup>(35)</sup>	---	---	---
C <sub>44</sub> <sup>D</sup>	1.560	1.340	---	~2.85 <sup>(7)</sup>	4.643	4.06 <sup>(37)</sup>	3.12

We have attempted to be as accurate as possible in gathering data and noting sources, but no guarantees can be made. In general, non-referenced data was internally generated, but it is possible that errors may appear. Apologies are offered to anyone whose data are miscredited. Any suggestions for corrections or additions will be considered for the next revision.

Mixed crystals are available in the systems CdS-CdSe, with properties intermediate between the end members. Inquiries are welcomed. Other mixed crystals are occasionally available, but are more difficult to grow due to lattice and volatility mismatch.

## FOOTNOTES

(a) Much of the data in the literature on the "hexagonal" form of ZnS is on polytypes that vary only slightly in bulk properties from the cubic form, although such is frequently not disclosed. We have attempted to evaluate the data on the internal evidence to eliminate those which obviously do not apply to pure wurtzite. The attempt may not have been completely successful. Examples of information on polytypes may be found in reference 12, and reference 8. The data on the cubic form of ZnS are usually on material which is free of polytypes.

(b) References 15 and 50 give formulae for calculating indices of refraction vs. wavelength for CdSe and CdTe. Cleveland Crystals has determined single resonance dispersion curve-fits to existing data for ZnS and ZnSe and ZnTe. Contact us for more information.

(c) Calculated values.

(d) Indices of refraction of uncompensated crystals tend to be lower.

(e) See reference 49.

(f) These values are taken from two references (8 and 54), so may not be completely self-consistent.

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