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Photoluminescent property of exfoliated CrCl₃ flake

Optical properties of semiconducting layered materials, such as transition metal dichalcogenides and black phosphorus, have been intensively studied due to their fascinating features including excitonic states, dramatic thickness dependence, and valley-selective phenomena [1][2]. Recently, optical response of exfoliated magnetic insulator also started to be investigated as the research on 2D van der Waals magnets has rapidly developed. According to the recent study, exfoliated CrI₃ shows the clear photoluminescence from their d-d transition, and its helicity clearly reflects the versatile magnetic order [3].

Here we report the photoluminescent properties of exfoliated CrCl₃, layered antiferromagnetic insulator (Fig. 1). We confirmed CrCl₃ shows photoluminescence even in exfoliated thin flake and investigated its properties in detail (Fig. 2). The observed features especially in thickness dependence can directly reflect the optical transition inside CrCl₃, and their origin will be discussed in our presentation.

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Figures

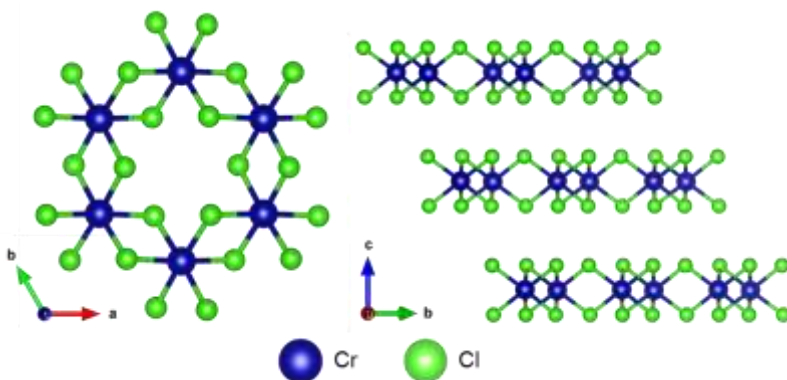


Figure 1: Top view (left) and side view (right) of CrCl₃.

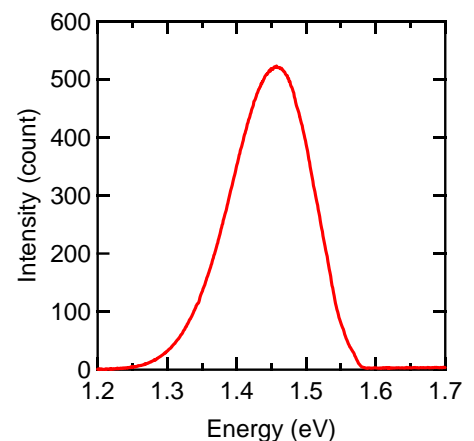


Figure 2: Photoluminescence spectra of exfoliated CrCl₃ at 30 K.