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Polar Interface Optical Phonon Modes and Fröhlich Electron-Phonon Interaction Hamiltonians in an Arbitrary Layer-Number Quantum Well System

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Abstract: By using determinant method as in our recent work, the 10 phonon modes, the orthogonal relation for polarization vector, electron-10 phonon Fröhlich interaction Hamiltonian, the dispersion relation, and the electron-phonon coupling function in an arbitrary layer-number quantum well system have been derived and investigated within the framework of dielectric continuum approximation. Numerical calculation on seven-layer Al $_{\rm x}$ Ga $_{\rm 1-x}$ As/GaAs systems have been performed. Via the numerical results in this work and previous works, the general characters of the 10 phonon modes in an n-layer coupling quantum well system were concluded and summarized. This work can be regarded as a generalization of previous works on 10 phonon modes in some fixed layer-number quantum well systems, and it provides a uniform method to investigate the effects of 10 phonons on the multi-layer coupling quantum well systems.

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