

# Dispersion and Thin Spin-Depended Splittings of Electronic $\pi$ -Bands in Transition Metal Dichalcogenide Crystals and Monolayers



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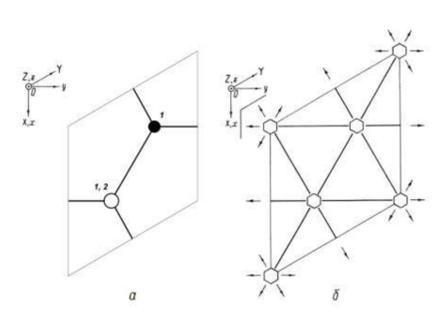
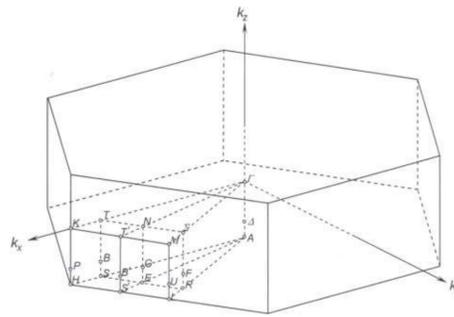
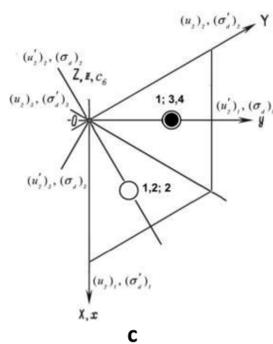
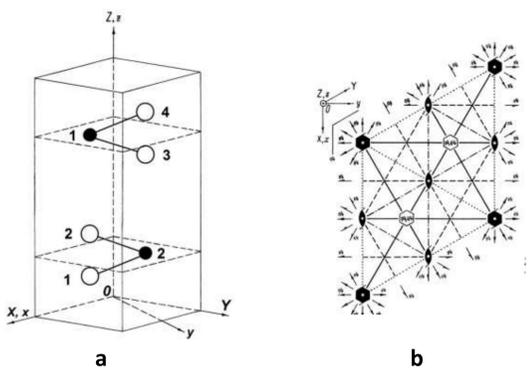
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The dispersion of the electronic states of transition metal dichalcogenides crystals  $2H\text{-MeX}_2$  ( $\text{Me}=\text{Mo}, \text{W}; \text{X}=\text{S}, \text{Se}, \text{Te}$ ) as well as their monolayers has been investigated by using the symmetric theoretical group methods.

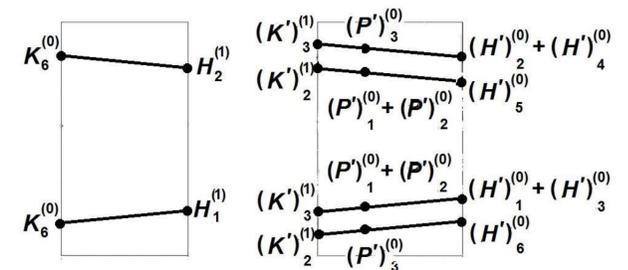
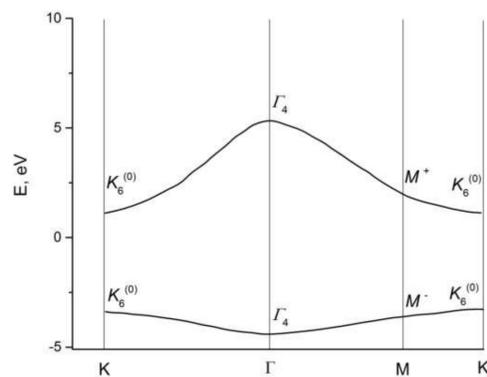
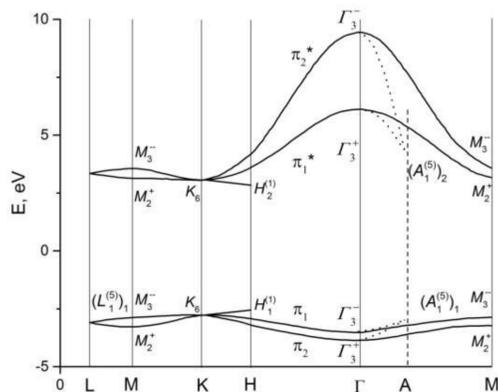
It is shown that the results of the developed methods of theoretical-group analysis are consistent with the data of experimental and computational studies of energy spectra and multiplicities of degeneration of quantum states of pi-electron zones.



**Figure 1.** Structure of standard unit cell of hexagonal crystalline  $2H\text{-MeX}_2$  (a); the standard diagram of the spatial symmetry group  $P63/mmc$  ( $D_{6h}^4$ ) (b); orientation of the elements of the point symmetry group  $6/mmm$  ( $D_{6h}$ ) (c). The circles indicate the positions of the atoms of metal (dark) and halogen (transparent).

**Figure 2.** Brillouin zone of  $2H\text{-MeX}_2$  crystals and its symmetry points

**Figure 3.** Structure of the standard unit cell of single-layer of  $2H\text{-MeX}_2$  (a); the diagram of the spatial symmetry group  $DG78$  (b).



**Figure 4.** Dispersion of the electron energy  $\pi$ -bands in the  $2H\text{-MeX}_2$  crystal (a) and a single-layer (letters mark the points in the Brillouin zone, and indexed letters do the irreducible projective representations of the corresponding projective classes)

**Figure 5.** Dispersion of electronic energy  $\pi$ - and  $\pi^*$ -bands in the Brillouin zone of hexagonal crystals of  $2H\text{-MeX}_2$  along the line  $K - P - H$ : without taking (a) and taking the electron spin into account (b)

**Table 1** Irreducible projective representations of the K point of the  $\text{MeX}_2$  monolayer

| $(C_{3h})$  | $e$ | $e_3$             | $e_3^2$           | $ic_2$ | $ic_6^5$           | $ic_6$             |
|-------------|-----|-------------------|-------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|
| $K_1^{(0)}$ | 1   | 1                 | 1                 | 1      | 1                  | 1                  |
| $K_2^{(0)}$ | 1   | 1                 | 1                 | -1     | -1                 | -1                 |
| $K_3^{(0)}$ | 1   | $\epsilon_3$      | $\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | 1      | $\epsilon_3$       | $\epsilon_3^{-1}$  |
| $K_4^{(0)}$ | 1   | $\epsilon_3$      | $\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | -1     | $-\epsilon_3$      | $-\epsilon_3^{-1}$ |
| $K_5^{(0)}$ | 1   | $\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | $\epsilon_3$      | 1      | $\epsilon_3^{-1}$  | $\epsilon_3$       |
| $K_6^{(0)}$ | 1   | $\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | $\epsilon_3$      | -1     | $-\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | $-\epsilon_3$      |

**Table 2** Irreducible projective representations of the K point of the  $\text{MeX}_2$  (taking into account spine of electron)

| $\bar{6} (C_{3h})$ | $e$ | $e_3$              | $e_3^2$           | $ic_2$ | $ic_6^5$              | $ic_6$                |
|--------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| $(K')_1^{(0)}$     | 1   | -1                 | 1                 | $i$    | $-i$                  | $-i$                  |
| $(K')_2^{(0)}$     | 1   | -1                 | 1                 | $-i$   | $i$                   | $i$                   |
| $(K')_3^{(0)}$     | 1   | $-\epsilon_3$      | $\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | $i$    | $\epsilon_{12}$       | $-\epsilon_{12}^{-1}$ |
| $(K')_4^{(0)}$     | 1   | $-\epsilon_3$      | $\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | $-i$   | $-\epsilon_{12}$      | $\epsilon_{12}^{-1}$  |
| $(K')_5^{(0)}$     | 1   | $-\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | $\epsilon_3$      | $i$    | $-\epsilon_{12}^{-1}$ | $\epsilon_{12}$       |
| $(K')_6^{(0)}$     | 1   | $-\epsilon_3^{-1}$ | $\epsilon_3$      | $-i$   | $\epsilon_{12}^{-1}$  | $-\epsilon_{12}$      |

**Table 3** Representation of electronic  $\pi$ -zones of the  $\text{MeX}_2$  monolayer

| $\bar{6} (C_{3h})$ | $e$ | $e_3$ | $e_3^2$ | $ic_2$ | $ic_6^5$    | $ic_6$      |
|--------------------|-----|-------|---------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| $K_{eq}$           | 2   | -1    | -1      | 2      | -1          | -1          |
| $K_z$              | 1   | 1     | 1       | -1     | -1          | -1          |
| $K_\pi$            | 2   | -1    | -1      | -2     | 1           | 1           |
| $K_r$              | 3   | 0     | 0       | 1      | -2          | -2          |
| $K_{vib}$          | 6   | 0     | 0       | 2      | 2           | 2           |
| $D_{1/2}^+$        | 2   | 1     | -1      | 0      | $-\sqrt{3}$ | $\sqrt{3}$  |
| $K'_z$             | 2   | 1     | -1      | 0      | $\sqrt{3}$  | $-\sqrt{3}$ |
| $K'_\pi$           | 4   | -1    | 1       | 0      | $-\sqrt{3}$ | $\sqrt{3}$  |

The projective two-valued representations of spinor states for different points of Brillouin zones of crystalline  $2H$  transition metal have been constructed for the first time.

Projective classes, which transform spin-dependent electronic wave functions at the points of high symmetry of the Brillouin zone have been determined for the above-mentioned structures. For the establishment of projective classes we found the method of constructing of factor systems, in particular, the correct factor system for spinor representations; the form of standard factor systems and the phase factors for their conversion to standard factor systems for each projective class have been found.

