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class #1

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- ALBA (synchrotron).

Nanotechnology: The vision

Nanotechnology has been inspired by great physicist Richard Feynman (Nobel Prize 1965), who already predicted back in 1959:

"There is plenty room . . ."

Realm of Nanotechnology.

Nanoscience and nanotechnology:

→ to make, measure . . .

Basic concepts

what's so special about nanostructures?

- Material properties change and become tunable by size.
- New laws of Physics (quantum mechanics) come to play.
- surface starts to dominate the material properties.

Basic concepts

Quantization of Electron Energies in Nanostructures:

According

Example: CdSe Nano - Crystals

• colloidal Nano - Crystals synthesized by chemical means.

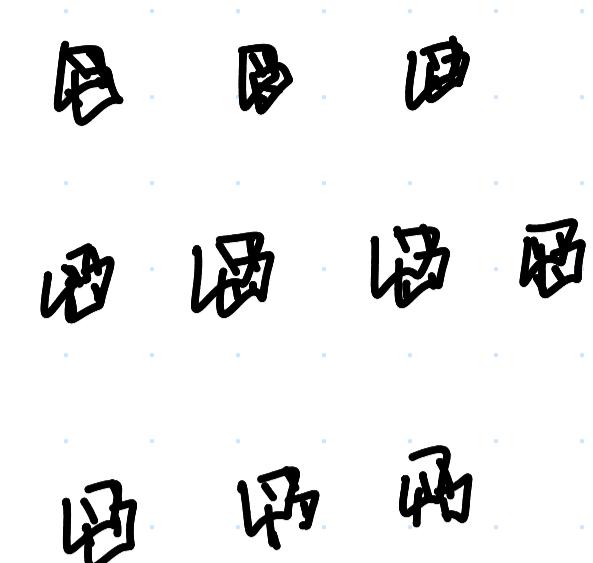
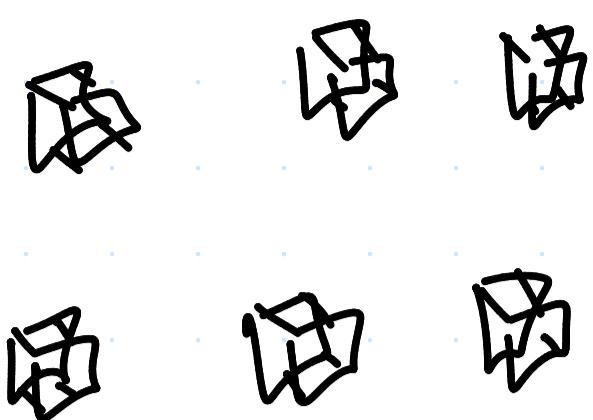
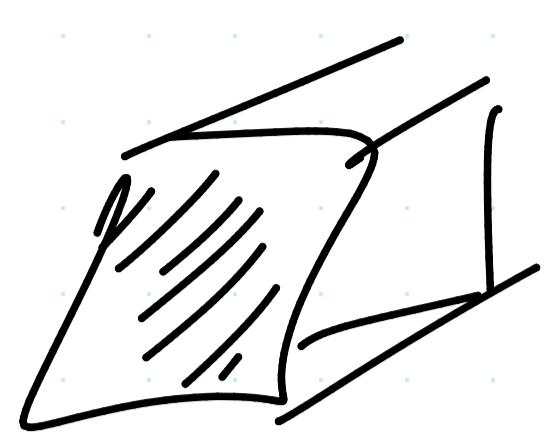
→ strong blue shift of photo - luminescence emission with shrinking nanocrystal size when excited with blue light.

→ surface passivation by organic molecules or core shell structure yields high luminescence efficiency!

~~~~~ o ~~~~~ o Crucial Role of ~~~~~ o  
~~~~~ o ~~~~~ o surface for NS

Nanostructures exhibit high surface-to-volume ratios:

$$A = 6 \text{ cm}^2$$



$$A' = 12 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$A'' = 24 \text{ cm}^2$$

ratio - scales \sim linearly with physical dimensions!

Nano
crystals

10 nm diameter: $\sim 5\%$ surface atoms

3 nm diameter: $\sim 15\%$ surface atoms

1 nm diameter: $\sim 50\%$ surface atoms

Top-down versus bottom-up approach.

1. "Top-down" approach (Lithography)

2. "Bottom-up" approach: sequential writing of nanostructures or atom manipulation.

or self-assembly:

self-organization

Top-Down Patterning

1. Exposure of photoresist

Bottom-up Nanofabrication

= Manipulation, writing ...

self-assembly and self-organization

- Nucleation, growth, dissolution or attachment of nanoscale structures by:
- Epitaxial growth of thin film heterostructures
- controlled nucleation in solutions or at surfaces.
- self-assembled monolayers
- Catalytic growth of nanowires
- Attachment of molecules/growth of organisms.

Vapor Liquids.

Example: Molecular Beam Epitaxy of Nanoislands

self - organization of Quantum Dots

self - organization of Nano-crystals

• Current - Trends

(1) combine bottom - up and top - down approaches

(a) Nanostuctured templates and circuits provided by top-down
lithography.

(b) self - assembly . . .

(2) site - control.