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Tellurite glasses are good material in non-linear, photonic and communication application because these glasses are stable and provide low photon energy in room temperature. When other metal oxides are added in the tellurite glass system, it can enhance the optical and electrical behaviour. For this research, two series of binary tellurite based glasses: bismuth and holmium tellurite were successfully synthesized using a conventional melt quenching method. XRD results for both binary tellurite glass system show that the glasses are in amorphous phase. The glass samples are transparency, yellow colour for bismuth tellurite glass, orange colour holmium tellurite glass when there is no sunlight and yellow colour when sunlight is present. The optical and electrical properties measurements were investigated for both binary tellurite glasses system.

For bismuth tellurite glass system, the density, molar volume and refractive index increase when bismuth ions Bi^{3+} increases. This is due to the increase in the

polarization of the ions Bi^{3+} . FTIR results show that it slightly shifted to the low wavenumber and this due to formation of TeO₃ units and non-bridging oxygen. When formation TeO₃ units and non-bridging oxygen increase, the optical band gap, E_{opt} decreases. The conductivity and the resistance in electric properties depend on the network modifier present in the sample. As ion Bi^{3+} content increases, the formation of non-bridging oxygen in the sample increase leads to an increase in the conductivity of the sample.

For holmium tellurite glasses, as the holmium content increases, the density increasing while the molar volume decreases. Besides, the refractive index increases when the holmium content increases. FTIR results show that it slightly shifted to the low wavenumber and this also due to formation of TeO_3 units and non-bridging oxygen. For electrical properties, the increase of ion Ho^{3+} content will increase the formation of holmium (iii) oxide quasi-molecular complexes in tellurite glass matrix which causes the conductivity of the sample to decrease.

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Kaca telurit adalah bahan yang berguna dalam aplikasi bukan linear, fotonik dan komunikasi. Ini disebabkan kaca ini stabil dan juga dapat menyediakan tenaga foton rendah dalam keadaan suhu bilik. Apabila oksida logam lain ditambah dalam sistem kaca telurit, ini boleh meningkatkan sifat optik dan elektrik. Untuk kajian ini, dua siri kaca binary teluriti berasaskan: bismut telurit dan holmium telurit telah disediakan dengan kaedah sepuh lindap. Keputusan XRD bagi kedua-dua sistem kaca telurit binari telah menunjukkan bahawa sampel kaca bagi kedua-dua sistem ini adalah dalam fasa amorfus. Sampel kaca dalam kedua-dua sistem kaca telurit binari adalah lutcahaya dan kaca bismut telurit berwarna kuning manakala bagi kaca holmium telurit berwarna oren dalam keadaan tanpa cahaya matahari dan berwarna kuning dengan kehadiran cahaya matahari. Pengukuran sifat optik dan elektrik telah dilakukan untuk kedua-dua sistem kaca telurit binari.

Bagi sistem kaca bismut telurit, apabila Bi³⁺ ion meningkat, ketumpatan, isipadu molar dan indeks biasan meningkat. Keadaan ini berlaku disebabkan pengutuban ion

Bi³⁺ meningkat.Keputusan FTIR menunjunkkan bahawa ia beralih sedikit kepada nombor gelombang rendah dan ini adalah disebabkan oleh pembentukan unit-unit TeO₃ dan oksigen tak bersambungan. Apabila pembentukan unit TeO₃ dan oksigen tak bersambungan meningkat, jurang jalur optik, E_{opt} berkurang. Kekonduksian dan rintangan dalam sifat elektrik bergantung kepada kehadiran pengubahsuai rangkaian dalam sampel. Kandungan ions Bi³⁺ meningkat, pembentukan oksigen tak bersambungan dalam sampel meningkat dan kekonduksian dalam sampel juga meningkat.

Bagi sampel kaca holmium tellurite, ketumpatan meningkat manakala isipadu molar berkurang semasa kandungan holmium meningkat. Disamping itu, indeks biasan meningkat apabila kandungan holmium meningkat. Keputusan FTIR menunjunkkan bahawa ia beralih sedikit kepada nombor gelombang rendah dan ini adalah disebabkan oleh pembentukan unit-unit TeO₃ dan oksigen tak bersambungan. Bagi sifat elektrik, kandungan ion Ho³⁺ meningkat akan meningkatkan pembentukan molekul kompleks kuasi holmium (iii) oksida dalam matriks kaca yang menyebabkan kekonduksian sampel berkurang.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

TeO ₂	Tellurite oxide	-
Bi ₂ O ₃	Bismuth (iii) oxide	-
NBO	Non-bridging oxygen	-
BO	Bridging oxygen	-
XRD	X-ray diffraction	-
FTIR	Fourier transmission infrared	-
λ	Wavelength	m
d	Interplanar distance	m
θ	Scattering angle	0
α	Absorption coefficient	cm ⁻¹
hv	Incident photon energy	eV
Α	Constant	-
E_{opt}	Optical band gap	eV
E_g	Urbach energy	eV
В	Constant	-
ΔE	Width of the band tail of the electron states	eV
Q	Charge	С
С	Stored charge	С
V	Voltage	V
V_o	Amplitude	V
ω	Angular frequency	rad s ⁻¹
t	Time	S
°*3	Dielectric constant	-
ε'	Real permittivity	-
ε″	Loss factor	-

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σ	Conductivity	Scm ⁻¹
Z	Impedance	Ω
X _c	Capacitive reactance	Ω
$ ho_s$	Density of sample	g/cm ³
$ ho_{water}$	Density of distill water	g/cm ³
M_{air}	Mass in air	g
Vs	Volume of sample	cm ³
М	Molar mass	g/mol
А	Area	m^2
d	Thickness	m



CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

Tellurite glasses are good material in lasers and nonlinear applications, photonic application and communication applications. These glasses often use because they are stable in room temperature, good thermal properties and good optical and electrical properties (Prakash, 2001). It can also be used in photorefractive materials, non-linear devices, up-conversion lasers and optical amplifier because these glasses have low photon energy, high linear and non-linear refractive index (Marko, 2004). Metal oxide such as Bi₂O₃, Sb₂O₃, MoO₃ and Nb₂O₅ have been added in the tellurite glass system to enhance the optical behaviour (Hidetsugu, 1994). Many studies in tertiary tellurite based glasses have been reported by various authors (Ayuni, 2011). For example, Tiefeng et al. (2011) studies the optical non linear properties of TeO₂-Bi₂O₃-BaO glass, it was found that an increase of the ion bismuth content and a decrease of ion barium content will lead to an increase of the non linear properties of glass because bismuth dissolves in tellurite glass matrix .

Bismuth (iii) oxide is used in optical fiber material and ceramic material because it can provide high refractive index and low in temperature. In addition, it is also used in the electronic field due to the high valence cation of low field strength and high polarizability (El-Mallawany, 2002).

Holmium (iii) oxide, known as rare earth material and used for study in optical properties because it can be used as efficient visible lasers for the applications in the fields of telecommunication and medical diagnostic (Xudong, 2008). Nowadays, rare earth ions such as Er^{3+} , Tm^{3+} and Ho^{3+} with certain glasses convert IR to ultraviolet

or visible light through upconversion process to successfully obtain the optimum wavelength of the sample provided.

1.2 Problem statement

Nowadays many researchers study the optical properties and electric properties of bismuth glasses and holmium glasses. For optical properties, most of researchers study the optical transitions and upconversion properties but the optical energy band gap and Urbach energy have not been analyzed. For electrical properties, some researchers study on dielectric properties but the resistance and impedance have not been analyzed. For this research, there was less information to refer.

1.3 Objective of research

The objectives of this research are to

- a. Determine optical band gap and refractive index of the telllurite based glass with added bismuth oxide and holmium oxide.
- b. Study electrical properties of the telllurite based glass with added bismuth oxide and holmium oxide.

1.4 Outline of the thesis

This thesis consists five chapters: first chapter is the introduction of this research. Second chapter consists of the literature review that some of the researcher study and analysis in glass material related to this research. Third chapter is methodology, which is the process of preparing glass sample and the equipment used in this experiment. Fourth chapter is the result and discussion. The fifth chapter includes the conclusion and future research.

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