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Abstract: Single wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) are model systems for the investigation of fundamental physics in one-dimensional systems, and are also promising materials for applications in nanophotonics. Excitons dominate the optical response of SWNTs. The exciton binding energy is very large, from tens meV to 1 eV, depending on diameter, chirality, and dielectric screening. Thus, their photophysics is dictated by exciton states even at room temperature. I will review the recent studies on excitons in individual SWNTs, including the experimental evidence of excitons and the determination of their binding energy. I will then present in details excitons in nanotube bundles. The quantification of the degree of bundling in nanotube solutions is fundamental to optimize the material for basic research and applications. I will also discuss how to use the optical signatures of exciton energy transfer (EET) between SWNTs as a metrological tool to detect SWNT bundles.

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