

Thermal Transport Properties of TlInTe₂ Single Crystals

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Abstract. Thallium indium ditelluride single crystal, was prepared by a special design constructed by our group. A brass working chamber designed for measuring (TEP) in a wide range of temperature was used. The experimental results indicates that TlInTe₂ is of p-type conductivity. The mobility of charge carriers, holes and electrons was found to be $2.129 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^2 / V, \text{ sec}$ and $1.218 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^2 / V, \text{ sec}$ respectively. The effective masses of the majority and minority carriers were deduced to be $5.367 \times 10^{-37} \text{ kg}$ and $6.856 \times 10^{-43} \text{ kg}$ respectively. The diffusion coefficient, relaxation time and diffusion length for holes was calculated to be $551.436 \text{ cm}^2 / \text{sec}$, $7.142 \times 10^{-21} \text{ sec}$ and $1.986 \times 10^{-9} \text{ cm}$ respectively. Also D_n, τ_n, L_n for the electrons was calculated to be $3.156 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^3 / \text{sec}$, $5.222 \times 10^{-26} \text{ sec}$ and $1.284 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}$ respectively. In addition to these pronounced parameters, the efficiency of the thermoelectric element (figure of merit) was evaluated, which leads to better application in many fields .

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