Investigation of the Switching Phenomena in TlGaSe₂ Single Crystal

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Abstract. An Investigation was made of switching in TlGaSe₂ single crystals under static condition. Current-controlled negative resistance (CCNR) in TlGaSe₂ single crystals have been observed for the first time. It has been found that Thallium gallium diselenide single crystals exhibit bistable or memory switching. The results strongly indicated that the phenomenon in our sample is very sensitive to temperature, light intensity and sample thickness. The current-voltage characteristics is symmetrical with respect to the reverse of the applied voltage and current. The switching parameters were checked under the influence of different factors of the ambient condition.