

Test 1-EE 5340/001&051 (print last name) _____ (print first name) _____ KEY _____

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75 minutes allowed (last four digits of your student #) _____ (e-mail if new) _____

Instructions:

1. Do your own work. DO NOT REMOVE THE STAPLE ON THIS EXAM.
2. You may use either a legal copy of the text OR reference text OR ONE sheet of hand-written notes. You may NOT pass a book or note sheet to another student. You may NOT use class notes. Do not use previously solved problems.
3. Calculator allowed. You may NOT share a calculator with another student.
4. Explicitly state definitions and assumptions that you use.
5. Where possible, calculate parameters rather than read them from a graph.
6. Do all work in the spaces provided on this exam paper. If you write on the back of a sheet, make the notation "PTO" in your solution in order to assure that material written on the back of the page is evaluated for a grade. AN EXTRA BLANK SHEET IS ATTACHED AT THE BACK OF THE EXAM.
7. Show all calculations, making numerical substitutions and giving numerical results where possible.
8. Write answers in space given.
9. Unless stated otherwise, $T = 300\text{K}$, $V_t = 25.852\text{ mV}$
10. Unless otherwise stated, the material is silicon with $n_i = 1.07\text{E}10\text{ cm}^{-3}$, $N_c = 2.84\text{E}19\text{ cm}^{-3}$, $N_v = 3.08\text{E}19\text{ cm}^{-3}$, $q\chi_{\text{Si}} = 4.05\text{ eV}$, and $E_{g,\text{Si}} = 1.125\text{ eV}$.
11. For the work function of n+ poly silicon, use $\phi_{n+} = \chi_{\text{Si}} = 4.05\text{ V}$, and for the work function of p+ poly silicon, use $\phi_{p+} = \chi_{\text{Si}} + E_{g,\text{Si}}/q = 5.175\text{ V}$.
12. For minority carriers in silicon, use the relationship $\tau_{\text{min}} = [45\text{E}-6\text{ sec}] \div [1 + 7.7\text{E}-18 * N_i + 4.5\text{E}-36 * N_i^2]$ (where N_i = the total impurity concentration) for minority carrier lifetime (either electrons or holes).
13. For holes in silicon, assume $\mu_p = \{418.3 \div [1 + (N_i \div 1.6\text{E}17)^{0.7}]\} + 49.7$, in $\text{cm}^2/\text{V-sec}$ (where N_i = the total impurity concentration in n- or p-type material whether compensated or uncompensated).
14. For electrons in silicon, assume $\mu_n = \{1268 \div [1 + (N_i \div 1.3\text{E}17)^{0.91}]\} + 92$, in $\text{cm}^2/\text{V-sec}$ (where N_i = the total impurity concentration in n- or p-type material whether compensated or uncompensated).
15. Metal gate work functions should be assumed to be $\phi_{\text{Au}} = 4.75\text{ V}$, $\phi_{\text{Al}} = 4.1\text{ V}$.
16. The electron affinity of SiO_2 is $\chi_{\text{SiO}_2} = 0.95\text{ V}$.
17. Each part is worth [x] points, as given in the problem.
18. Planck constant $h = 6.62618 \times 10^{-34}\text{ J-s} = 4.1354 \times 10^{-15}\text{ eV-s}$
19. $1\text{ eV} = 1.60218 \times 10^{-19}\text{ Joule}$
20. free electron mass $m_0 = 9.1095 \times 10^{-28}\text{ g}$.
21. Boltzmann constant, $k = 1.38066 \times 10^{-23}\text{ J/K}$
22. Electron charge, $q = 1.60218 \times 10^{-19}\text{ Coulomb}$
23. Permittivity of free space, $\epsilon_0 = 8.85418 \times 10^{-14}\text{ Fd/cm}$
24. Relative permittivity of silicon, $\epsilon_r = 11.7\text{ Fd/cm}$

1. A semiconductor (not silicon) with electron effective mass ratio $m_n^*/m_0 = 1.1$ is doped with singly ionized donors. Hint: Remember to use MKS units throughout this problem, and then convert the final answer to cm, eV, etc.

a. Calculate the radius of the first Bohr orbit for a conduction electron trapped at an ionized donor site in the ~~silicon~~ semiconductor lattice. You may use 11.7 or 1 for the relative permittivity.

$$\begin{aligned} r_1 &= (n^2 \cdot h^2 \cdot \epsilon_r \cdot e_0) / (\pi \cdot m_0 \cdot m_n / m_0 \cdot q^2) \\ &= (n^2 \cdot h^2 \cdot \epsilon_r \cdot e_0 \cdot 100) / (\pi \cdot m_0 \cdot 0.001 \cdot 1.1 \cdot q^2) \cdot 100 \\ &= 5.62861E-08 \text{ cm, if } 11.7 \text{ is used for } \epsilon_r \\ &= 4.81078E-09 \text{ cm, if } 1 \text{ is used for } \epsilon_r \end{aligned}$$

Answer a[4]: $r_1 =$ _____ cm.

b. Calculate the ionization energy required to remove this electron from the first orbit and put it in the conduction band.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E &= q^4 \cdot m_n / m_0 \cdot m_0 / (8 \cdot \epsilon_0^2 \cdot h^2) \\ &= q^4 \cdot 1.1 \cdot m_0 \cdot 0.001 / (8 \cdot (\epsilon_r \cdot e_0 \cdot 100)^2 \cdot h^2) / q \\ &= 0.109 \text{ eV, if } 11.7 \text{ is used for } \epsilon_r \\ &= 14.97 \text{ eV, if } 1 \text{ is used for } \epsilon_r \end{aligned}$$

Answer b[4]: $E_i = \Delta E =$ _____ eV.

c. What is the effective density of states for these electrons in the conduction band ($m_n^* = m_c$)?

$$\begin{aligned} N_c &= 2 \cdot (2 \cdot \pi \cdot m_n / m_0 \cdot m_0 \cdot k \cdot T / h^2)^{3/2} \\ &= 2 \cdot (2 \cdot \pi \cdot 1.1 \cdot m_0 \cdot 0.001 \cdot k \cdot T / h^2)^{3/2} \cdot 0.000001 \\ N_c &= 2.90E+19 \text{ cm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

Answer c[4]: $N_c =$ _____ cm^{-3} .

d. If the hole effective mass is the same as the electron effective mass, and the band gap $E_g = E_c - E_v = 1.4$ eV, calculate the intrinsic carrier concentration.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note that } m_n &= m_p \text{ gives } N_c = N_v, \text{ so} \\ n_i &= (N_c^2 \cdot \exp(-1.4 \cdot q / (k \cdot T)))^{1/2} \\ &= 5.04E+07 \text{ cm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

Answer d[4]: $n_i =$ _____ cm^{-3} .

2. A sample of silicon has donor concentration of $2E17/cm^3$ and acceptor concentration of $9E16/cm^3$.

a. What is the net donor concentration?

$$N = N_d - N_a$$

$$N = 1.1E+17 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Answer a[6]: $N = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

b. What is the electron concentration?

$$n_o = N$$

$$n_o = 1.1E+17 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Answer b[6]: $n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

c. What is the hole concentration?

$$p_o = n_i^2/n_o$$

$$p_o = 1041 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Answer c[6]: $p = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

d. What is the total impurity concentration, N_i ?

$$N_i = N_d + N_a$$

$$N_i = 2.9E+17 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Answer d[6]: $N_i = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

e. What is the electron mobility?

$$\mu_n = \{1268 \div [1 + (N_i \div 1.3E17)^{0.91}]\} + 92 \text{ cm}^2/V\text{-sec}$$

$$\mu_n = 504 \text{ cm}^2/V\text{-sec}$$

Answer e[7]: $\mu_n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^2/V\text{-sec}$.

3. A rectangular region of silicon has $p_o = 3E16 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and is $2 \mu\text{m}$ by $0.5 \mu\text{m}$ in cross-section and $100 \mu\text{m}$ long. ($1 \mu\text{m} = 1E-4 \text{ cm}$.) There is no compensation of acceptors by donors.

a. What is the hole mobility of this material?

$$\begin{aligned} p_o &= 3.00E+16 \\ N_a &= 3.00E+16 \\ N_d &= 0 \\ N_i &= 3E+16 \\ \mu_p &= \{418.3/[1+(N_i/1.6E17)^{0.7}]\} + 49.7 \\ &= 369 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-sec} \end{aligned}$$

Answer a[7]: $\mu_p = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-sec}$.

b. What is the electron concentration of this material?

$$\begin{aligned} n_o &= n_i^2/(-N) \\ n_o &= 3816 \text{ cm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

Answer b[6]: $n_o = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

c. What is the resistivity of this material?

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= (n_o * q * \mu_n + p_o * q * \mu_p)^{-1} \\ &= 1/(p_o * q * \mu_p), \text{ since } p_o \gg n_o \\ &= 0.564 \text{ ohm-cm} \end{aligned}$$

Answer c[7]: $\rho = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ Ohm-cm}$.

d. What is the total resistance of this material for current flow along the $100 \mu\text{m}$ direction?

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \rho * l / (w * t) \\ R &= 5.64E+05 \text{ ohm} \end{aligned}$$

Answer d:[6] $R = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ Ohm}$

e. What is the hole diffusion coefficient for this material?

$$\begin{aligned} D_p &= V_t * \mu_p \\ D_p &= 9.54 \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec} \end{aligned}$$

Answer e[6]: $D_p = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$.

4. A region of silicon has a net donor concentration of $1E18 \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

a. What is the location of the equilibrium Fermi level for this material relative to the conduction band edge?

$$\begin{aligned}N_d = n_o &= 1.00E+18 \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ E_c - E_f &= kT \cdot \ln(N_c/n) \\ E_c - E_f &= 86.5 \text{ meV}\end{aligned}$$

Answer a[7]: $E_c - E_f =$ _____ eV

b. What is the minority carrier lifetime of this material, assuming that all impurities are donors?

$$\begin{aligned}t_{min} &= [45E-6 \text{ sec}] / [1 + 7.7E-18 \cdot N_i + 4.5E-36 \cdot N_i^2] \\ N_i = N_d &= 1.00E+18 \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ t_{min} &= 3.41E-06 \text{ sec}\end{aligned}$$

Answer b[7]: $\tau_{min} =$ _____ sec.

c. What are the minority carriers in this material?

Answer c[2]: Circle one: electrons holes

d. Is the Maxwell-Boltzmann a reasonable approximation for calculating the answer in part a?

Answer d[2]: Circle one: yes no

e[4]. On what basis did you decide the answer to part d?

$E_c - E_f > 2kT$, so the integration done using the MB approximation for the FD distribution in the carrier population calculation is correct to better than 5%