

1. The intrinsic carrier density is  $1.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$ . If the mobility of electron and hole are  $0.13$  and  $0.05 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , calculate the conductivity.

**Solution :**

**Given :**

$$n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

$$\mu_e = 0.13 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_h = 0.05 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Conductivity } \sigma = n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h)$$

$$\sigma = 1.5 \times 10^{16} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} (0.13 + 0.05)$$

$$\text{Conductivity } \sigma = 4.32 \times 10^{-4} \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

2. The Intrinsic carrier density at room temperature in Ge is  $2.37 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$  if the electron and hole mobilities are  $0.38$  and  $0.18 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  respectively, calculate the resistivity.

**Given:**

$$n_i = 2.37 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

$$\mu_e = 0.38 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_h = 0.18 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Conductivity } \sigma = n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h)$$

$$= 2.37 \times 10^{19} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} (0.38 + 0.18)$$

$$= 2.1235 \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Resistivity } \rho = \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2.1235}$$

$$\text{Resistivity } \rho = 0.4709 \Omega \text{ m}$$

3. The Hall coefficient of certain silicon specimen was found to be  $-7.35 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3 \text{ C}^{-1}$  from 100 to 400 K. Determine the nature of the semiconductor. If the conductivity was found to be  $200 \text{ } \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$ . Calculate the density and mobility of the charge carrier.

**Solution:**

$$\text{Conductivity } \sigma = 200 \text{ } \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Hall co-efficient } R_H = -7.35 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3 \text{ C}^{-1} \quad \dots (1)$$

**a) Density of electrons**

$$n = \frac{-1}{R_H e} \text{ (from equation (1))}$$

$$n = \frac{1}{(7.35 \times 10^{-5} \times 1.609 \times 10^{-19})}$$

$$\text{(i.e.)} = 8.455 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

We know Conductivity

$$\sigma = n e \mu_e$$

**b) Mobility**

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \frac{\sigma}{n e} = \frac{200}{8.455 \times 10^{22} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}} \\ &= 0.0147 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Mobility } \mu = 0.0147 \text{ m}^2 \text{ v}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Density of electrons (n)} = 8.053 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

$$\text{Mobility } (\mu) = 0.0147 \text{ m}^2 \text{ v}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

4. In a P-type germanium,  $n_i = 2.1 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$  density of boron  $4.5 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms/m}^3$ . The electron and hole mobility are 0.4 and 0.2  $\text{m}^2 \text{V}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$  respectively. What is its conductivity before and after addition of boron atoms.

**Solution:**

**Given:**

Intrinsic carrier concentration  $n_i = 2.1 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$

Mobility of electrons  $\mu_e = 0.4 \text{ m}^2 \text{V}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$

Mobility of holes  $\mu_h = 0.2 \text{ m}^2 \text{V}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$

**a) Conductivity before the addition of boron atoms**

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h) \\ &= 2.1 \times 10^{19} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} (0.4 + 0.2) \\ &= 2.016 \Omega^{-1} \text{m}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

**b) Conductivity after the addition of boron atoms, Boron is a P-type impurity atom**

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= p e \mu_h \\ &= 4.5 \times 10^{23} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 0.2 \\ \sigma &= 14400 \Omega^{-1} \text{m}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

5. An N-type semiconductor has hall coefficient =  $4.16 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{ C}^{-1}$ . The conductivity is  $108 \text{ } \Omega\text{m}^{-1}$ . Calculate its charge carrier density ' $n_e$ ' and electron mobility at room temperature.

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$$\text{Hall Co-efficient } R_H = 4.16 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{ C}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Conductivity } \sigma = 108 \text{ } \Omega\text{m}^{-1}$$

1. For 'n' type the charge carriers density  $n_e = \frac{-1}{R_H e}$  Here the negative sign indicates the field direction alone.

$$n_e = \frac{3\pi}{8} \frac{-1}{R_H e}$$

$$n_e = \left[ \frac{3 \times 3.14}{8} \right] \left[ \frac{1}{1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 4.6 \times 10^{-4}} \right]$$

$$n_e = 1.7690 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

2. Electron mobility

$$\mu_e = \frac{\sigma_e}{n_e e}$$

$$= \frac{108}{\left( 1.7690 \times 10^{22} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \right)}$$

$$\mu_e = 0.0381 \text{ m}^2 \text{ v}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

6. In an N-type semiconductor, the concentration of electron is  $2 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}^{-3}$ . Its electrical conductivity is  $112 \text{ } \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$ . Calculate the mobility of electrons.

**Solution:**

**Given:**

Conductivity  $\sigma = 112 \text{ } \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$

Carrier concentration of electron

$$n_i = 2 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

$$\text{Hall coefficient } R_H = \frac{1}{ne}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2 \times 10^{22} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}} \\ &= 3.125 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{ C}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mobility } \mu &= \sigma R_H = 112 \times 3.125 \times 10^{-4} \\ &= 0.035 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

7. Find the resistance of an intrinsic Ge rod 1 mm long, 1 mm wide and 1 mm thick at 300 K. the intrinsic carrier density  $2.5 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$  is at 300 K and the mobility of electron and hole are 0.39 and 0.19  $\text{m}^2 \text{ v}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

**Solution:**

**Given:**

Length of Ge rod  $l = 1 \text{ mm} = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$

Breath  $b = 1 \text{ mm} = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$

Thickness  $t = 1 \text{ mm} = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$

Intrinsic carrier concentration  $n_i = 2.5 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$

Mobility of electron  $\mu_e = 0.39 \text{ m}^2 \text{ v}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Mobility of hole  $\mu_h = 0.19 \text{ m}^2 \text{ v}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

**a) Conductivity**

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h) \\ &= 2.5 \times 10^{19} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} (0.39 + 0.19) \\ \sigma &= 2.32 \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

**b) Resistance**

$$\begin{aligned}R &= \frac{\ell}{\sigma A} \\ &= \frac{1 \times 10^{-3}}{2.32 \times (1 \times 10^{-3} \times 1 \times 10^{-3})} \quad \therefore (A = b \times t) \\ R &= 431 \Omega\end{aligned}$$

8. Hall coefficient of a specimen of depend silicon found to be  $3.66 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{ C}^{-1}$ . The resistivity of the specimen is  $8.93 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$ . Find the mobility and density of the charge carriers.

**Solution:**

$$\text{Hall coefficient } R_H = 3.66 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{ C}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Resistivity } \rho = 8.93 \times 10^{-3} \Omega \text{m}$$

**i) Density of holes**

$$\begin{aligned} n_h &= \frac{1}{R_H e} \\ &= \frac{1}{3.66 \times 10^{-4} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}} \\ n_h &= 1.7076 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

**ii) Mobility of holes  $\mu_n = \frac{I}{\rho n e}$**

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{8.93 \times 10^{-3} \times 1.7076 \times 10^{22} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}} \\ \mu_n &= 0.041 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

9. The intrinsic carrier density of a semiconductor is  $2.1 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$ . The electron and hole mobilities are  $0.4$  and  $0.2 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  respectively. Calculate the conductivity.

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**Given data:**

$$\text{Intrinsic carrier concentration } n_i = 2.1 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

$$\text{Mobility of electron } \mu_e = 0.4 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Mobility of hole } \mu_h = 0.2 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Conductivity } \sigma &= n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h) \\ &= 2.1 \times 10^{19} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times (0.4 + 0.2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Conductivity } \sigma = 2.016 \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$$



10. The electron mobility and hole mobility in Si are  $0.135 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $0.048 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  respectively at room temperature. If the carrier concentration is  $1.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$ . Calculate the resistivity of Si at room temperature.

**Solution:**

**Given data:**

Carrier concentration	$n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$
Mobility of electron	$\mu_e = 0.135 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$
Mobility of hole	$\mu_h = 0.048 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

**i) Electrical Conductivity  $\sigma$**

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= n_i e (\mu_e + \mu_h) \\ &= 1.5 \times 10^{16} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times (0.135 + 0.048) \\ \sigma &= 0.4392 \times 10^{-3} \Omega^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

**ii) Resistivity pf silicon**

$$\begin{aligned}\rho &= \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ &= \frac{1}{0.4392 \times 10^{-3}} \\ \rho &= 2.2768 \Omega \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

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