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- Two probe method

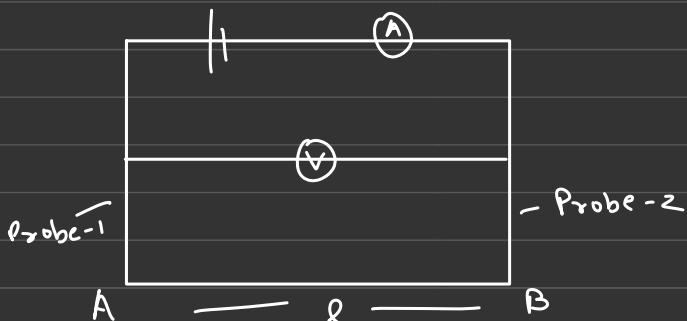
Method used to measure resistivity

$$R = \frac{\rho l}{A}$$

known

unknown

$$\rho = R \frac{A}{l}$$

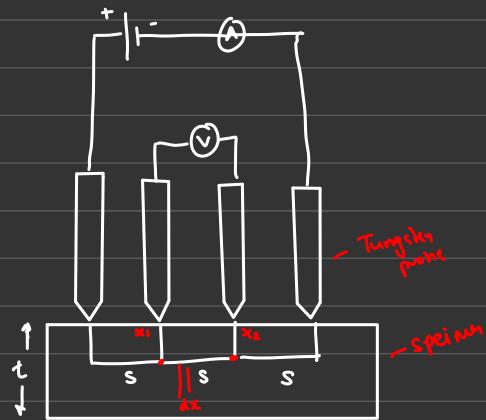


$$\rho = \frac{V \times A}{I \times L}$$

Two-probe method: (disadvantages)

- Error due to contact resistance of the measuring leads,
- Materials having random shapes,
- Soldering of the test leads on some materials would be difficult,
- Heating of the leads during soldering may inject additional impurities in materials such as semiconductors and thereby affecting the intrinsic electrical resistivity largely.

- Four probe Method



$$R = \frac{\rho l}{A}$$

$$R = \frac{\rho x}{A}$$

$$dR = \frac{\rho dx}{A}$$

Note :-

For Area



$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} dR = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\rho}{A} \left(\frac{dx}{A} \right)$$

$$\therefore A = 2\pi x^2$$

$$\therefore R = \frac{\rho}{A} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dx}{A}$$

Case - 1 $t \gg s$

$$R = \frac{\rho}{A} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dx}{A}$$

$$= \frac{\rho}{A} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dx}{2\pi x^2}$$

$$= \frac{\rho}{2\pi} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dx}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{\rho}{2\pi} \left[-\frac{1}{x} \right]_{x_1}^{x_2}$$

$$= \frac{\rho}{2\pi} \left[-\frac{1}{x} \right]_{x_1}^{2s}$$

$$= \frac{\rho}{2\pi} \left[-\frac{1+2}{2s} \right]$$

$$\therefore R = \frac{\rho}{2\pi s}$$

Ohm's law, $V = IR$

$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

$$R = \frac{V}{2I}$$

curr passing from two probes

$$\therefore \frac{\rho}{4\pi s} = \frac{V}{2I}$$

$$\rho = 2\pi s \left(\frac{V}{I} \right)$$

Case - 2 $t \ll s$



$$R = \frac{s}{A} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$= \frac{s}{2\pi t} \int_x^{x_1} \frac{dx}{2\pi x \cdot t}$$

$$= \frac{s}{2\pi t} \int_s^{2s} \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$= \frac{s}{2\pi t} \left[\ln x \right]_s^{2s}$$

$$= \frac{s}{2\pi t} \ln(2s) - \ln s$$

$$= \frac{s}{2\pi t} \frac{\ln(2s)}{s}$$

$$R = \frac{s}{2\pi t} \ln 2$$

Ohm's law, $V = IR$

$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

$$R = \frac{V}{2I}$$

$$\frac{s}{2\pi t} \ln 2 = \frac{V}{2I}$$

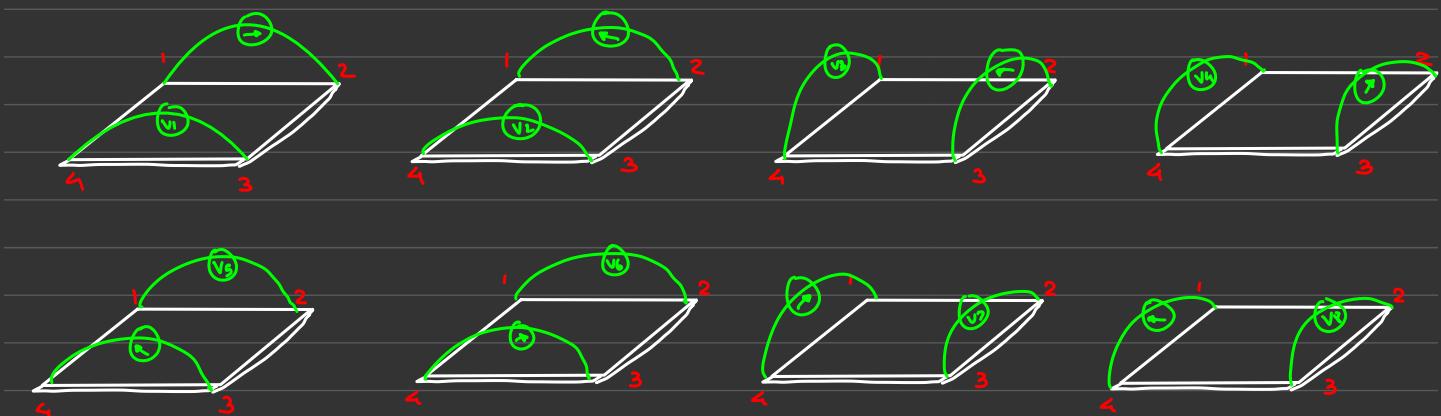
$$s = \frac{\pi t}{\ln 2} \left(\frac{V}{I} \right)$$

• Van der Pauw Method

Used to measure resistivity and hall coefficient of sample conditions :-

- Must have flat shape of uniform thickness
- must not have isolated holes
- must be homogeneous, isotropic & symmetrical
- All four contacts must be located at edges
- Area of contact should be less than area of sample
- Thickness \ll len, width

Resistivity can be determined from total of 8 measurements around periphery of the sample



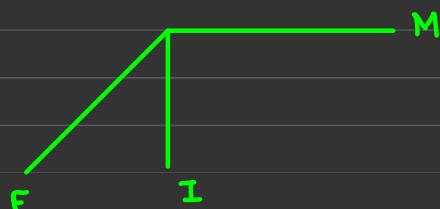
$$f_A = \frac{\pi}{\ln 2} f_{AT} \frac{(V_1 - V_2 + V_3 - V_4)}{4I}$$

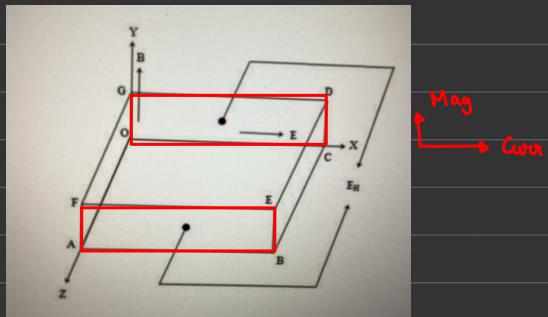
$$f_B = \frac{\pi}{\ln 2} f_{BT} \frac{(V_5 - V_6 + V_7 - V_8)}{4I}$$

• Hall effect

when a conductor (metal / semi) carrying curr placed in trans Mag fld, elec fld produce inside conductor and direction \perp to curr & Mag

This is called hall effect





Case - 1 : N-type Semicon

- ∵ N-type, maj charge carriers are e's
- current flows through OX, ∴ e- thru XO
- if Vel of e = v; charge = -e
∴ F due to Mag fld = -Bev along Oz
- e's deflect and accumulate at ABEF
- ABEF is (-ve), OCDG is (+ve)
- ΔV formula causing elec fld E_H
- Force rises $-eE_H$ in -Z

$$\text{at } E_{q,y}^{\text{gr}}, eE_H = Bev$$

$$E_H = Bv \quad \leftarrow$$

also, $J = -nev$

$$v = -\frac{J}{ne}$$

$$E_H = -\frac{BJ}{ne}$$

We know, Hall effect is R_H in terms of current & density

$$E_H = R_H BJ$$

$$R_H = \frac{E_H}{BJ}$$

$$R_H = \frac{BJ}{-ne BJ} = -\frac{1}{ne}$$

Case - 2 : P-type semi

- if P-type, maj charge carriers are holes ie (+ve)
- \therefore holes move in curr direction OX
- charge on hole = e , $F = Bev$ at OZ
- $R_H = 1/\rho_e$

Determination

$$E_H = V_H / \omega \quad \text{width}$$

$$R_H = E_H / B_J$$

$$R_H = \frac{V_H}{\omega B_J}$$

$$V_H = R_H \omega B_J$$

$$J = I/A$$

$$\sim \frac{I}{wt}$$

$$\therefore V_H = R_H \omega B_J / wt$$

$V_H = \frac{R_H IB}{t}$
$R_H = \frac{V_H t}{IB}$

$$\text{for n-type : } \mu_e < -\sigma_n R_H$$

$$N_p = \sigma_p R_H$$

Applications

i) Determine type of semi

$$\begin{aligned} \text{in N : } R_H &= -\nu e \\ \text{P} &= +\nu e \end{aligned}$$

ii) Carrier Conc

$$n = 1/e R_H \quad / \quad p = 1/e R_H \quad \text{once } R_H \text{ measure}$$

ii) Mobility

$$M_n = -\tau_n R_u$$

$$M_p = \tau_p R_u$$

iv) Mag flux

$$R_h = \frac{V_{ht}}{BI}$$

$$B = V_{ht} / R_h I$$

• Hot Probe method for semi thin film

Method used to determine the doping of specimen

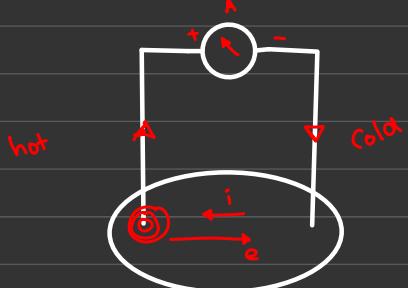
Principle : A conventional hot probe experiment enables a simple and efficient way to distinguish b/w n-type & p-type using a hot probe and standard multimeter

for n-type : +ve voltage

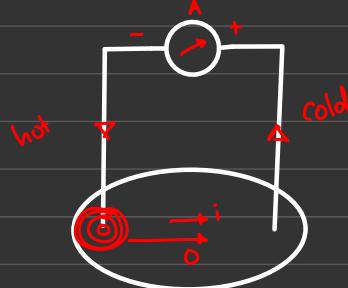
for p-type : -ve voltage

Construction :

- i) A couple of cold & hot probe attached to a semi film
- ii) Hot probe to +ve terminal & Cold (-ve) of the multimeter
- iii) The thermally excited majority free charge carriers go from hot to cold
- iv) A built in E is created b/w hot & cold probes which prevents diffusion process up to a hot.
- v) Recombination of excited electrons takes place



(n-type)

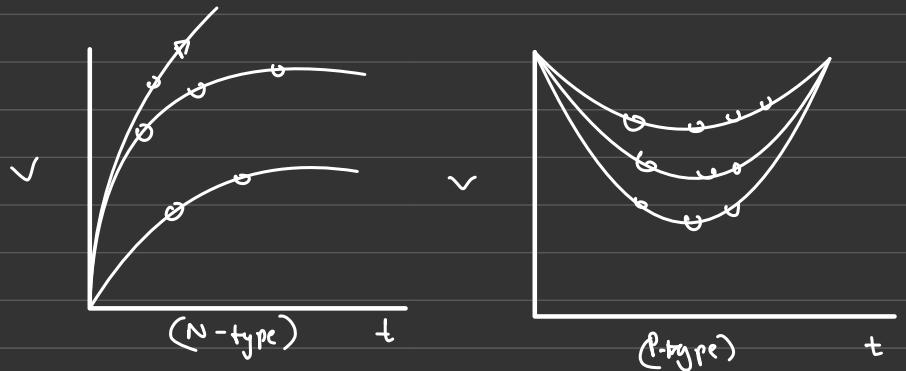


(p-type)

This is described by continuity & poisson's eqⁿ

$$\nabla J + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla E = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r}$$



- **TCAD**

It is a computer simulation technique used to design, optimise and analyse semi devices and processes.

It's a branch of electron design automation (EDA)

Objectives :

- Understand relationships b/w various potentials & energies used to understand device control
- Under how fundamentals paras vary is semi (band gap, dielectric const)
- Understand how biasing affects various potentials & energies at device terminal

Types :

Process TCAD

i) Modeling of fabrication / semi manufacturing steps like diffusion, oxidation, mech. Stress on implantation, lithography.

ii) Modeling of physical principles of manufacturing calibration of models needs expensive tools

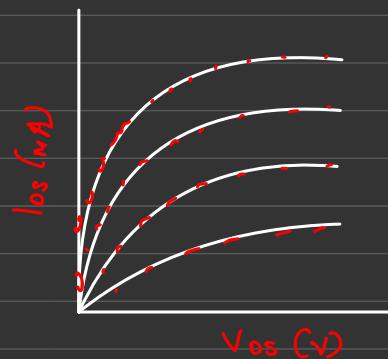
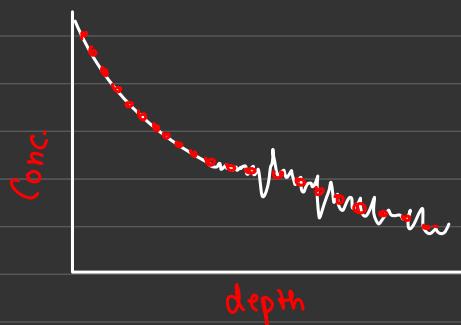
Device TCAD

i) Modelling of device operation optical, electrical, mech. behaviour of semi (MOSFET, BJT)

ii) Physical principles at the basis of carrier transport & optical generation in semi devices.

iii) Stimulate doping profiles obtained by specific processing techniques

iii) Stimulate output characteristics of MOSFET device



Advantages

- i) Helpful when hands-on-calculations are complicated
- ii) helps to make predictions (scaling & new device components)
- iii) To get insights as no real exp needed
- iv) reduce development costs, time of manufacturing cycle
- v) quickly screen technological options

• BTE

It depicts how the probability distribution function of a system of particle changes as a result of external forces, collisions & interactions.

Under no force (E_q^{br}) the charge carriers obey the Fermi-Dirac stats

The func after , change depends on time , space & momentum

\therefore no of e's is conserved , integral remain is const , if the time derivative is 0

$$\frac{df}{dt}(\bar{r}, \bar{k}, t) = 0$$

$$= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial k_x} \frac{dk_x}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial k_y} \frac{dk_y}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial k_z} \frac{dk_z}{dt} + \frac{df}{dt}$$

$$\therefore \frac{df}{dt} = - \left(\quad \right)$$

$$\frac{df}{dt} = - \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} (v_x) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} (v_y) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} (v_z) \right]$$

$$- \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial k_x} (F_x) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial k_y} (F_y) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial k_z} (F_z) \right]$$

let $\nabla_r = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k}$

$$v = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + v_z \hat{k}$$

$$\therefore (\nabla_r f) \cdot v = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} (v_x) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} (v_y) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} (v_z)$$

Simi^{lary},

$$(\nabla_k f) \cdot F = \frac{\partial f}{\partial k_x} (F_x) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial k_y} (F_y) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial k_z} (F_z)$$

$$\frac{df}{dt} = - \left[(\nabla_r f) \cdot v \right] - \left[(\nabla_k f) \cdot F \right]$$

$$\frac{df}{dt} \underset{\text{(force)}}{\sim} - \frac{dx}{dt} (\nabla_r f) - \frac{dk}{dt} (\nabla_k f)$$

We know that, $F_{ext} = m \frac{dk}{dt}$

$$\therefore \frac{dk}{dt} \sim \frac{F_{ext}}{m}$$

also $\frac{df}{dt} \text{ (total)} = \frac{df}{dt} \text{ (force)} + \frac{df}{dt} \text{ (collision)}$

$$\therefore \frac{df}{dt} (\text{total}) = -\frac{dr}{dt}(\nabla_r f) - \frac{dk}{dt}(\nabla_k f) + \frac{df}{dt} (\text{collision})$$

$$\frac{df}{dt} (\text{total}) = -v(\nabla_r f) - \frac{f_{\text{ext}}}{\lambda}(\nabla_r f) + \frac{df}{dt} (\text{collision})$$

• Monte Carlo Method

Developed in 1940s, use to solve problems & approx. the behaviour of a system using random sampling

e.g. Establishing value of ' π '

$$\text{Area} = \pi r^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for annular circ} &= \frac{\pi r^2}{4} \\ &\approx \frac{\pi}{4} (\tau=1) \end{aligned}$$

Acc. to Monte Carlo

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\text{no. of pts within } x^2+y^2 \leq 1}{\text{Total no. of pts gen.}}$$

$$T = 4 \times \frac{\text{no. of points with } x^2+y^2 \leq 1}{\text{Total pts}}$$

$$= \frac{8}{10} = 3.2 \approx 3.14$$

MC as a sol'n to BTE:

Solving it analytically can be difficult. MC uses random sampling (imput variables)

Steps

- the system is stimulated by large no of particles on initial condn i.e pos & energy
- particles are tracked as they move thru the material undergoing interactions
- the outcome is determined by random sampling a set of prob. distribn
- From these statistical quantities ,energy distribution of particles or scattering of the material can be calculated
- These quantities is used to solve BTE & predict behavior of the material