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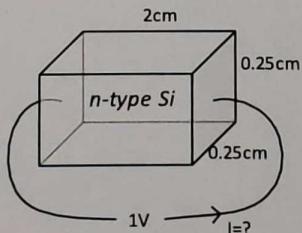
Homework #2

Fall 2021

(Due Date: 09/22/2021, 8.30am or before)

For the problem below, use: $k=1.38E-23 \text{ (J/K)}$, $q=1.602E-19 \text{ (J/eV)}$, $\epsilon_0=8.854E-14 \text{ (F/cm)}$

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- (30 pts) A Gallium-Arsenide (GaAs) PN junction has doping concentrations of $7 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ on the n-side and $2 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ on the p-side of the junction.
 - (20pts) Determine the majority and minority carrier concentrations on both sides of the junction at T=300K, and 400K.
 - (10pts) Calculate the built-in potential at T=300K, and 400K.
 - (20 pts) For this problem, assume $D_n=35 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ and $\mu_n=1356 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$ for electrons and $D_p=12 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ and $\mu_p=465 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$ for holes.
 - (10pts) Consider majority carrier concentration in a p-type semiconductor varies linearly from $4 \times 10^{13} \text{ (on right)}$ to $10^{11} \text{ (cm}^{-3}\text{) (on left)}$ in a distance of $10 \mu\text{m}$ at time $t=0$ while minority carrier concentration is uniform and does not change throughout the volume. Calculate the current density (J in A/cm^2) at time $t=0^+$.
 - (10pts) Which direction does the current flows? Explain why?
 - (30 pts) A uniformly doped n-type piece of Silicon with a length of 2cm and a cross sectional area of $0.25\text{cm} \times 0.25\text{cm}$ sustains a voltage difference of 1.0V. If the doping level of the substrate is $3.18 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, calculate;
 - (10pts) the total current flowing through the piece at room temperature (27°C)
 - (5pts) its resistance
 - (10pts) Calculate its resistance when temperature is increased to 100°C assuming mobility of electrons and hole do not change.
 - (5pts) Looking at part (b) and (c) do you consider this structure (under given assumptions) to be a good resistor? Explain why or why not?



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- (30 pts) Junction capacitance of a Germanium diode with a cross-sectional area of 0.1 cm^2 was measured using a capacitance meter that applies 1V during measurement. On one direction instrument reads 0pF while the opposite direction 10pF. Datasheet of the diode mentions that the build-in potential of it is 250mV at room temperature.
 - (15 pts) Find the unit area junction capacitance, and possible doping concentrations (N_A , and N_D) of this diode.
 - (15pts) If temperature doubles in $^\circ\text{C}$, what would you expect the measured capacitance to be?

1(a)

Situation: A Gallium-Arsenide PN junction has doping concentrations of $7 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ on the N-side and $2 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ on the P-side. Determine the majority and minority carrier concentrations on both sides at $T = 300\text{K}$ and $T = 400\text{K}$.

Given: $K = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$, $q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV}$, $\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F/cm}$

2 Goal

To calculate the majority and minority concentrations on the P and N side at 300K and 400K.

3 Plan

To use known values of E_g and B along with the given quantities and known equation for n_i to determine the intrinsic carrier concentration at 300K and 400K. Then use majority and minority carrier concentration equations for the P side and N side at 300 and 400 Kelvin.

4 Solution:

Visual:

| N | P |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| As | Ga |
| $7 \times 10^9 / \text{cm}^3$ | $2 \times 10^{10} / \text{cm}^3$ |
| Group V | Group III |
| Majority e^- | Majority h^+ |
| Minority h^+ | Minority e^- |

Given Values

$$K = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$

$$q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV}$$

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F/cm}$$

Known Eqn's

$$\text{Intrinsic cc: } n_i = B \cdot T^{3/2} \exp\left(-\frac{-E_g \cdot q}{2 \cdot K \cdot T}\right)$$

$$\text{P-Type Maj cc: } p \approx N_A \quad ①$$

$$\text{Min. cc: } n = \frac{n_i^2}{N_A} \quad ②$$

$$\text{N-Type Maj cc: } n = N_D \quad ③$$

$$\text{Min. cc: } p = \frac{n_i^2}{N_D} \quad ④$$

Known Values/Constants:

$$* \text{ From Lecture 6} \quad E_g = 1.42 \text{ eV}$$

$$B = 3.56 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3} (\text{K}^{-3/2})$$

1(a) (Continued)

Calculate n_i at $T = 300\text{K}$, $T = 400\text{K}$

$T = 300\text{K}$

$$n_{i300} = (3.56 \times 10^{14})(300)^{3/2} \exp\left(\frac{-1.42 \cdot 1.602 \times 10^{-19}}{2 \cdot 300 \cdot 1.38 \times 10^{-23}}\right)$$

$$= 2.165 \times 10^6 \quad [\#/\text{cm}^3]$$

$T = 400\text{K}$

$$n_{i400} = 3.56 \times 10^{14}(400)^{3/2} \exp\left(\frac{-1.42 \cdot 1.602 \times 10^{-19}}{2 \cdot 400 \cdot 1.38 \times 10^{-23}}\right)$$

$$= 3.204 \times 10^9 \quad [\#/\text{cm}^3]$$

Plug n_{i300} , n_{i400} , 7×10^9 , 2×10^9 into respective eqn's ① ② ③ ④

P-Type Side, eqn's ①, ②

At 300K

Majority: $p \equiv N_A = 2 \times 10^{10} \text{ h}^+/\text{cm}^3$

Minority: $n = \frac{(n_{i300})^2}{N_A}$

$$= \frac{(2.165 \times 10^6)^2}{(2 \times 10^{10})}$$

$$= 2.34 \times 10^{-10} \text{ e}^-/\text{cm}^3$$

At 400K

Majority: $p \equiv N_A = 2 \times 10^{10} \text{ h}^+/\text{cm}^3$

Minority: $n = \frac{(n_{i400})^2}{N_A}$

$$= \frac{(3.204 \times 10^9)^2}{2 \times 10^{10}}$$

$$= 5.12 \times 10^8 \text{ e}^-/\text{cm}^3$$

1(a) (Continued)

n-Side

At 300K

Majority:

$$n \approx N_D$$

$$n \approx 7 \times 10^9 \text{ e}^-/\text{cm}^3$$

Minority:

$$p = \frac{(n_{300})^2}{N_D}$$

$$= \frac{(2.165 \times 10^6)^2}{(7 \times 10^9)}$$

$$p = 669.6 \text{ h}^+/\text{cm}^3$$

At 400K

Majority:

$$n \approx N_D$$

$$n \approx 7 \times 10^9 \text{ e}^-/\text{cm}^3$$

Minority:

$$p = \frac{(n_{400})^2}{N_D}$$

$$= \frac{(3.204 \times 10^9)^2}{7 \times 10^9}$$

$$p = 1.467 \times 10^9 \text{ h}^+/\text{cm}^3$$

1(a) (continued)

s Sanity Check

Unit analysis of assumed equations:

Intrinsic CC:

$$\begin{aligned} n_i &= B \cdot T^{1.5} \exp\left(-\frac{E_g + q}{2kT}\right) \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{Cm^3 k^{3/2}}\right] \left[k^{\frac{3}{2}}\right] e^{\left[\frac{[eV][C]}{[k][E/h]}\right]} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{Cm^3}\right] \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Minority CC:

$$\begin{aligned} p = n &= \frac{n_i^2}{N} \\ &= \frac{[Cm^{-3}]^2}{[Cm^{-3}]} \\ &= [Cm^{-3}] \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

∴ Unit Analysis yields the appropriate dimensions
for density



1(b)

1 Situation: A Gallium Arsenide (GaAs) PN junction has doping concentrations of $7 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ on the n-side, and $2 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ on the p-side. Calculate the built-in potential at 300 and 400 Kelvin. Use values given in 1(a).

2 goal: To determine the built-in potential barrier for free carriers to move between two regions freely.

3 Plan: To utilize the known equation for the built-in potential, V_0 , along with values determined in 1(a) to calculate the built-in potential for the PN-junction,

4 Solution:

$$\text{Built-in Potential: } V_0 = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \left(\frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2} \right)$$

$$\text{Given Values: } k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$

$$q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV}$$

$$N_A = 2 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$N_D = 7 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Calculated in 1(a):

$$n_{i,300} = 2.165 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$n_{i,400} = 3.204 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Plug in Values:

At 300K

$$V_{0,300} = \frac{(1.38 \times 10^{-23})(300)}{1.602 \times 10^{-19}} \ln \left(\frac{(2 \times 10^{10})(7 \times 10^9)}{(2.165 \times 10^6)^2} \right)$$

$$V_{0,300} = 0.445 \text{ V}$$

At 400K

$$V_{0,400} = \frac{(1.38 \times 10^{-23})(400)}{1.602 \times 10^{-19}} \ln \left(\frac{(2 \times 10^{10})(7 \times 10^9)}{3.204 \times 10^9} \right)$$

$$V_{0,400} = 0.010 \text{ V}$$

1(b)

(continued)

5. Sanity Check

The answers seem reasonable. At room temperature, the diode has a slight voltage drop across it of about 0.445 V. At high temperature, the voltage drop is much lower and the diode has essentially failed.

Unit Analysis

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_0 &= \frac{kT}{q} \ln \left(\frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{[\text{J}_K][\text{K}]}{\text{J/eV}} \ln \left(\frac{[\text{cm}^{-3}][\text{cm}^{-3}]}{[\text{cm}^{-2}]^2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{[\text{J}]}{[\text{J/eV}]} \\
 &= \frac{[\text{J}]}{[\text{C}]} \\
 &= [\text{V}] \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

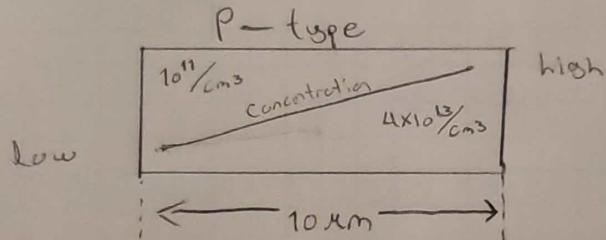
∴ Appropriate Unit For Potential

2(a)

1 Situation: Consider majority carrier concentration in a P-type Semiconductor varies linearly from 4×10^{13} cm⁻³ on the right to 10^{11} cm⁻³ (on left) in a distance of 10 μm at time $t = 0$. While minority carrier concentration is uniform and does not change throughout the volume. Calculate the current density (J in A/cm²) at time $t = 0^+$. Use the following given values: $D_n = 35$ cm²/s, $\mu_n = 1356$ cm²/Vs for e⁻'s and $D_p = 12$ cm²/s, $\mu_p = 465$ cm²/Vs for holes.

2 Goal: To calculate the current density at $t = 0^+$ for the majority carrier concentration diffusion current in a P-type semi-conductor.

3 Plan: To use the known diffusion current equation for P-type semiconductors along with the given quantities to determine the current density.

4 Solution:Visual:

* For P-type, majority is holes (h^+)

Diffusion Current Eqn: $J_p = -q D_p \frac{dp}{dx}$

Where:

$$q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \quad * \text{ Known}$$

$$D_p = 12 \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{s}} \quad * \text{ Given}$$

$$\Delta p = (4 \times 10^{13} - 10^{11})$$

$$\Delta x = 10 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm} \quad * \text{ Given}$$

Plug in Values:

$$J_p = -1.602 \times 10^{-19} (12) \left(\frac{4 \times 10^{13} - 10^{11}}{10 \times 10^{-4}} \right)$$

$$J_p = -0.0767 \frac{\text{A}}{\text{cm}^2}$$

* At instant $t = 0^+$

2(a) (Continued)

5 Sanity Check

Unit analysis of \bar{J}_p

$$\bar{J}_p = -\epsilon \rho_e \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x}$$

$$= [c] \frac{[cm]^2}{[s]} \frac{[cm^{-3}]}{[cm]}$$

$$= \left[\frac{C}{s} \right] [cm^{-2}]$$

$$= \frac{[A]}{[cm^2]} \checkmark \quad \checkmark$$

∴ Dimensional Analysis yields appropriate units

2(b)

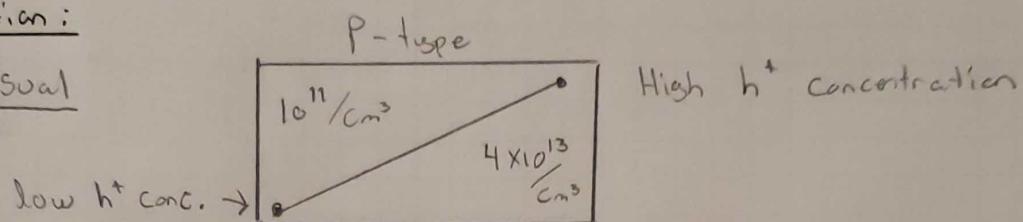
1 Situation For the same situation as given in 2(a), which direction does the current flow?

2 Goal: To determine the direction of current flow using results from 2(a) and given information

3 Plan: To examine the type (h^+) or (e^-) concentration at hand as well as the sign on the result for 2(a) to make a determination of current flow direction.

4 Solution:

Visual



* For P-type Semiconductors, h^+ are the majority carrier.

At $t=0^+$, the holes (h^+) repel each other and begin moving from high concentration (right) to low concentration (left). The resulting current occurs in the same direction of h^+ movement.

\therefore The Current flow is from right to left

3(a)

Situation: A uniformly doped n-type piece of Silicon with a length of 2cm and a cross section area of $(0.25 \times 0.25) \text{ cm}^2$ sustains a voltage difference of 1.0V. If the doping level of the substrate is $3.18 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ calculate: The total current flowing through the piece at (27°C) .

Goal: To calculate the total current flowing through the Substrate.

Plan: To plug in the given values to known equations for M_n , \vec{E} , n . Then plug those quantities into the drift current equation.

Solution:

Drift Current Eqs:

$$I_{\text{drift},n} = -M_n \vec{E} A n q$$

$$I_{\text{drift},p} = M_p \vec{E} A p q$$

* drift current is the only current through the substrate under the given conditions.

$I_{\text{drift},n}$ Components:

$$\begin{aligned} M_n : \quad M_n(N_d) &= 65 + \frac{1265}{1 + \left(\frac{N_d}{8.5 \times 10^{16}}\right)^{0.72}} \\ &= 65 + \frac{1265}{\left(1 + \left(\frac{3.18 \times 10^{13}}{8.5 \times 10^{16}}\right)^{0.72}\right)} \\ &= 1325.7 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V.s} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{E} : \quad \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$$

$$= -\frac{1.0 \text{ [V]}}{0.02 \text{ [m]}}$$

$$= -50 \text{ V/m} = -0.5 \text{ V/cm} \quad *$$

$$A : \quad A = (0.25 \cdot 0.25) \text{ cm}$$

$$= 0.0625 \text{ cm}^2$$

3(a) (continued)

$I_{drift,n}$ Components Continued

$$n: \quad n \approx N_0 \quad * \text{ For } n\text{-type majority carrier concentration}$$

$$q: \quad q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ [C]} \quad *$$

$I_{drift,p}$ Components:

$$\mu_p(N_0) = 130 + \frac{370}{\left(1 + \left(\frac{N_d}{8 \times 10^{17}}\right)^{1.25}\right)} \text{ cm}^2/\text{V.s}$$

$$\vec{E}: \quad \vec{E} = -0.5 \text{ V/cm}$$

$$A: \quad A = 0.0625 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$P: \quad P = \underbrace{n_i^2}_{\text{intrinsic}} / N_0$$

$$n_i = B_{Si} T^{1.5} \exp\left(\frac{-E_{qs_i} \cdot q}{2 \cdot k \cdot T}\right)$$

$$= 5.2 \times 10^{15} (273 + 27)^{1.5} \exp\left(\frac{(7.12) 1.602 \times 10^{-19}}{2(300) 1.38 \times 10^{-23}}\right)$$

$$n_i = 1.049 \times 10^{10} \text{ h}^+/\text{cm}^3 \quad *$$

$$q: \quad q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

3(a) (continued)

Plug in Component Values to $I_{\text{drift},n}$, $I_{\text{drift},p}$

$$I_{\text{drift},n} = -\mu_n E A n q$$

$$= -1325.7(-0.5)(0.0625)(3.18 \times 10^{13})(1.602 \times 10^{-19})$$

$$\therefore n \equiv N_o = 3.18 \times 10^{13}$$

$$I_{\text{drift},n} = -2.11 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A}$$

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$$I_{\text{drift},p} = \mu_p E A p q$$

$$= \mu_p E A \left(\frac{n^2}{N_o} \right) q$$

$$= 500 (-0.5)(0.0625) \left(\frac{(1.049 \times 10^{10})^2}{3.18 \times 10^{13}} \right) 1.602 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$I_{\text{drift},p} = -8.662 \times 10^{-12} \text{ A}$$

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$$I_{\text{drift}} = I_{\text{drift},n} + I_{\text{drift},p}$$

$$= 2.11 \times 10^{-4} + 8.662 \times 10^{-12}$$

I_{drift} ≈ 2.11 × 10⁻⁴ A

3(a) (Continued)

5. Sanity Check

Unit analysis for I_{drift} :

$$I_{\text{drift}} = -\mu_0 E A n q$$

$$\begin{aligned} [A] &= \frac{[Cm^2]}{[V][S]} \frac{[N]}{[Cm]} [Cm^2] [Cm^{-3}] [C] \\ &= \frac{[C]}{[S]} \\ &= [A] \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

∴ Amperes is the expected unit for current.

3(b)

Situation: For the same situation as 3(a) calculate the substrate's resistance. Assuming at room temperature (27°C)

Goal: To utilize known and calculated values to determine the resistance of the substrate at 27°C .

Plan: To use Ohm's law relationship $R = \frac{V}{I}$ with the given value for V , and calculated value of I .

Solution:

Known: $V = 1.0\text{ V}$

Calculated in 3(a); $I_{\text{drift}} = 2.11 \times 10^{-4}\text{ A}$

Ohm's law: $R = \frac{V}{I_{\text{drift}}}$

$$R = \frac{1}{(2.11 \times 10^{-4})} \quad [V] \quad [A]$$

$$R = 4738.22 \Omega$$

3(c)

situation For the situation listed in 3(a), calculate the resistance when the temperature is raised from 27°C to 100°C . Assumption: the mobilities of e^- and h^+ do not change.

Goal: To calculate the resistance of the Substrate under the effect of 100°C temperature

Plan:

To use equations and values found in 3(b), recalculating the temperature dependent intrinsic carrier constant n_i at 100°C (373 K). Then calculate the new drift current. Then use Ohm's law relationship $R = V/I$ to solve for the new resistance.

Solution:

* From 3(b), only $I_{\text{drift},p}$ contained a temperature-dependent component, n_i .

$n_i @ 373 \text{ K}$

$$n_{i,373} = B(373)^{1.5} \exp\left(\frac{-E_{gSi} q}{2 k(373)}\right)$$

$$= 5.2 \times 10^{15} (373)^{1.5} \exp\left(\frac{-1.12 \cdot 1.602 \times 10^{-19}}{2(1.38 \times 10^{-23}) 373}\right)$$

$$n_{i,373} = 7.07 \times 10^{12}$$

Plug into $I_{\text{drift},p}$ eqn

$$I_{\text{drift},p} = \mu_p E A \left(\frac{(n_{i,373})^2}{N_0} \right) q$$

$$= 600. (-0.5)(0.0625) \left(\frac{(7.07 \times 10^{12})^2}{3.18 \times 10^{13}} \right) 1.602 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$I_{\text{drift},p} = -8.433 \times 10^{-8}$$

3(LC) (continued)

Calculate I_{total}

$$I_{\text{drift},n} = 2.11 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A}$$

* does not have
a temp-dependent
component

$$I_{\text{drift}} = I_{\text{drift},n} + I_{\text{drift},p}$$

$$= (2.11 \times 10^{-4}) + 8.033 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$I_{\text{drift}} = 2.1097 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A}$$

Plug into Ohm's law

$$R_{373} = \frac{V}{I_{\text{drift}}}$$

$$R_{373} = \frac{1}{(2.1097 \times 10^{-4})}$$

$$R_{373} = 4740.02 \Omega$$

Sanity Check:

Answer makes sense because the intrinsic carrier concentration n_i is barely affected by the temperature change. Furthermore, $I_{\text{drift},p}$ changed pretty significantly from -8.662×10^{-12} to -8.033×10^{-8} . However, this is still very small in comparison to $I_{\text{drift},n}$ which was 2.11×10^{-4} . This resulted in minimal change to the result, I_{drift} , and subsequent R_{373} .

I am omitting dimensional analysis since the only new value was 373 K instead of 300 K. The unit analysis would still result in [A] for I_{drift} since I only substituted [K] for [K].

3(d)

Situation: For the situation described in 3(a), and analyzing results for 3(b) and 3(c), is the defined substrate a good resistor? Explain.

Goal: Make a supported claim on the effectiveness of the substrate as a resistor.

Plan: Analyze the effect of temperature change under constant voltage on the substrate's resistance. Then make a claim based on the analysis.

Solution:

Resistance @ room temperature: $R_{300} = 4738.22 \Omega$ * from 3(b)

Resistance @ 100°C (373K) $R_{373} = 4740.02 \Omega$

Determine ΔR :

$$\Delta R = R_{373} - R_{300}$$

$$= 4740.02 - 4738.22$$

$$= 1.80 \Omega$$

$$= \left(\frac{1.80}{4738.22} \right) 100$$

$$= 0.038\%$$

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Determine ΔT :

$$\Delta T = 373 - 300$$

$$= 73 \text{ K}$$

$$= \left(\frac{73}{300} \right) \cdot 100$$

$$= 24.33\%$$

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Claim: The structure is a good resistor under the given assumptions

3(d) (continued)

5. Sanity Check / Explanation

The Substrate is a good resistor because a large % Change in Temperature yielded a very low % Change in Resistance.

For a 24.33% increase in Surrounding Average molecular kinetic energy around the Substrate, the resistance only changed by 0.038% of its Value at room temperature

4(a)

Situation: Junction capacitance of a Germanium diode with a cross sectional area of 0.1 cm^2 was measured using a capacitance meter that applies 1V during measurement. On one direction, instrument reads 0pF , on the other, 10pF . Datasheet of the diode mentions that the diode has built-in potential of 250mV at room temperature. Assume: Room temperature is $27^\circ\text{C} = 300\text{K}$, P4(a): Find the Unit Area Junction Capacitance, and possible doping concentrations N_A, N_D for the diode.

Goal: To Find the Unit Area junction Capacitance, and possibilities for N_A , and N_D .

Plan: To Utilize the known equations and constants associated with Total Junction Capacitance, (C_J) and Unit area Junction Capacitance (C_{J0}) as well as equation for V_0 to set up and solve 2 equations with 2 unknowns, N_A, N_D , then solve for N_A, N_D using TI-nspire CX II CAS. Finally, plug the calculated values into the (C_{J0}) equation to calculate the Unit area Junction Capacitance.

SolutionKnown Equations:

$$\text{Intrinsic CC: } n_i = B \cdot T^{1.5} \exp\left(\frac{-E_g \cdot q}{2kT}\right)$$

$$\text{Built-in Potential: } V_0 = \frac{kT}{q} \ln\left(\frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2}\right) \quad ①$$

$$\text{Junction Capacitance: } C_J = \left\{ \frac{C_{J0} \times A}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{V_R}{V_0}}} \right\} \quad ②$$

$$\text{Unit Area Junction Capacitance: } C_{J0} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_{\text{Si}} \cdot q \cdot N_A N_D}{2(N_A + N_D) \cdot V_0}}$$

Given Constants/Values

$$C_J = 10\text{pF} = 10 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F}$$

$$V_0 = 250\text{mV} = 0.25\text{V}$$

$$V_R = 1\text{V}$$

4 (a) (continued)

Given Constants/Values (continued):

$$B_{Ge} = 1.66 \times 10^{15} \text{ (cm}^{-3}\text{)} k^{-3/2}$$

$$E_{g, Ge} = 0.66 \text{ (eV)}$$

$$q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ (C)}$$

$$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ (J/K)}$$

$$A = 0.1 \text{ (cm}^2\text{)}$$

$$\epsilon_{dep, Ge} = 16\epsilon_0 = 16(8.854 \times 10^{-14}) \text{ (F/cm)}$$

Compute $n_i^2 @ 300K$

$$n_i^2 = \left(B T^{1.5} \exp \left(- \frac{E_g \cdot q}{2 k T} \right) \right)^2$$

$$= \left(1.66 \times 10^{15} (300)^{1.5} \exp \left(\frac{(-0.66 \cdot 1.602 \times 10^{-19})}{2 \cdot 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \cdot 300} \right) \right)^2$$

$$n_i^2 = 6.0267 \times 10^{26} \text{ (#/cm}^3\text{)}^2$$

* Needed for eqn ①

 $(n_i^2) \rightarrow ①$ and Simplify:

$$V_o = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \left(\frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(1.38 \times 10^{-23})(300)}{1.602 \times 10^{-19}} \ln \left(\frac{N_A N_D}{6.0267 \times 10^{26}} \right)$$

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4(a) (continued)

Simplifying eqn ① (continued)

$$V_o = 0.025843 \ln \left(\frac{N_A N_D}{6.0267 \times 10^{26}} \right) = 0.25 \quad ①$$

Build eqn ② from C_J , C_{J0} , solve C_{J0}

$$C_J = \frac{C_{J0} A}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{V_R}{V_o}}}$$

$$C_{J0}^{-1} = \frac{A}{C_J \sqrt{1 + \frac{V_R}{V_o}}}$$

$$C_{J0}^{-1} = \left(\frac{0.1}{10 \times 10^{-12} \sqrt{1 + (\frac{1}{0.25})}} \right)$$

$$C_{J0}^{-1} = 4.47214 \times 10^9$$

$$C_{J0} = 2.2361 \times 10^{-10} \text{ F}$$

* Unit Area Junction Capacitance

Recall C_{J0} eqn:

$$C_{J0} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0 q \cdot e \cdot N_A N_D}{2(N_A + N_D) \cdot 25}}$$

$$2.2361 \times 10^{-10} = \sqrt{\frac{16(8.854 \times 10^{-14}) \cdot 1.602 \times 10^{-19} (N_A N_D)}{2(N_A + N_D)}}$$

$$2.2361 \times 10^{-10} = \sqrt{\frac{2.269 \times 10^{-31} (N_A N_D)}{2(N_A + N_D) \cdot 0.25}} \quad ②$$

* Equations ①, ② with 2 unknowns, N_A , N_D

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4(a) (continued)

Solve eqns ① & ② For N_A , N_D

Plug in calculator:

Solve: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0.025843 \ln \left(\frac{N_A N_D}{6.0267 \times 10^{26}} \right) = 0.250 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2.269 \times 10^{-31} (N_A N_D)}{2(N_A + N_D) 0.26}} = 2.2361 \times 10^{-10} \end{array} \right. \quad ①$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2.269 \times 10^{-31} (N_A N_D)}{2(N_A + N_D) 0.26}} = 2.2361 \times 10^{-10} \quad ②$$

Output:

$$*1 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N_A = 1.1016 \times 10^{11} \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ N_D = 8.697 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3} \end{array} \right.$$

or

$$*2 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N_A = 8.697 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ N_D = 1.1016 \times 10^{11} \text{ cm}^{-3} \end{array} \right.$$

5 Sanity Check:

Plug Values of N_A , N_D into V_o eqn to yield given 0.250 V

$$\begin{aligned} *1 \quad V_o &= 0.025843 \ln \left(\frac{N_A N_D}{6.0267 \times 10^{26}} \right) \\ &= 0.025843 \ln \left(\frac{1.1016 \times 10^{11} \times 8.697 \times 10^{19}}{6.0267 \times 10^{26}} \right) \\ &= 0.250003 \approx 250 \text{ mV} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} *2 \quad V_o &= 0.025843 \ln \left(\frac{8.697 \times 10^{19} \times 1.1016 \times 10^{11}}{6.0267 \times 10^{26}} \right) \\ &= 0.250003 \approx 250 \text{ mV} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

∴ The two combinations of N_A , N_D yield the given build in potential, so they are feasible answers

4(b)

1 Situation: For the same situation described in 4(a), If temperature doubles in °C, what would the measured capacitance change to

2 Goal: To determine/predict what the capacitance of the diode if surrounding temperature increased from 27°C to 54°C. (327 K)

3 Plan: To recalculate temperature-dependent quantities using equations and constants listed in 4(a). Substitute 327 for T in appropriate eqns, then recalculate the junction capacitance C_J.

4 Solution:

Temp-Dependent Eqns:

$$n_i = B T^{1.5} \exp\left(\frac{-E_g \cdot e}{2kT}\right)$$

$$V_o = \frac{kT}{e} \ln\left(\frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2}\right)$$

Recalculate @ T = 54°C = 327 K

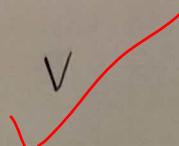
$$\underline{n_i} \quad n_i = 1.66 \times 10^{15} (327)^{1.5} \exp\left(\frac{-0.66 \times 1.602 \times 10^{-19}}{2 \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 327}\right)$$

$$= 8.01833 \times 10^{13} \text{ } \frac{\text{#}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

$$\therefore n_i^2 = 6.4294 \times 10^{27} \text{ } \left(\frac{\text{#}}{\text{cm}^3}\right)^2$$

$$\underline{V_o} \quad V_o = \frac{(1.38 \times 10^{-23})(327)}{1.602 \times 10^{-19}} \ln\left(\frac{1.1016 \times 10^{11} \times 8.697 \times 10^{11}}{6.4294 \times 10^{27}}\right)$$

$$\therefore V_o = 0.2066 \text{ V}$$



4(b) (continued)

$$C_{J_0} = \sqrt{\frac{2.269 \times 10^{-31} (N_A N_D)}{2(N_A + N_D) V_0}}$$

* Changes with T

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2.269 \times 10^{-31} (1.106 \times 10^{11})(8.897 \times 10^{11})}{2(1.106 \times 10^{11} + 8.897 \times 10^{11}) \cdot 0.2066}}$$

$$C_{J_0} = 2.45905 \times 10^{-10} \text{ F}$$

Plug into C_J eqn From 4(a)

$$C_J = \frac{C_{J_0} A}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{V_R}{V_0}}}$$

$$= \frac{(2.45905 \times 10^{-10})(0.1)}{\sqrt{1 + (\frac{1}{0.2066})}}$$

$$\therefore C_J = 1.0175 \times 10^{-11} \text{ F} * = 10.175 \text{ pF}$$

5 Sanity Check

Conceptually, this answer makes sense. As temperature increases, more free carriers enter the depletion region. As the depletion region increases, the ability of the reverse biased diode to store charge increases. This charge is stored in the depletion region.

The results from 4(a) and (b) support this

Capacitance @ 27°C : 10 pF

Capacitance @ 54°C : 10.175 pF

$$10.175 > 10$$