

Reading list: Chapters 7, 8 and 14 (pages 301-318, 327-338 and 477 - 487).

1. An abrupt, one-sided p⁺-n junction has the following characteristics on the n-side.

N-side:

$$N_D = 4 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$D_n = 25 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s};$$

$$D_p = 10 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$$

$$\tau_p = \tau_n = 10^{-7} \text{ s}$$

Area A = 1 cm² Answer the following:

- a. The diode is biased in the forward direction such that the forward voltage $V_A = 0.6 \text{ V}$. Calculate the low-frequency diffusion capacitance, and the low frequency conductance of the diode. Draw the equivalent circuit of the diode at low frequency

$$I = I_0(e^{V_A/qkT} - 1)$$

$$I_0 = qA(D_n n_i^2/LN N_A + D_p n_i^2/LP N_D)$$

$$I_0 = qA(D_p n_i^2/LP N_D)$$

$$I_0 = qA(D_p p_n/LP)$$

$$LP = \sqrt{D_p \tau_p}$$

$$I_0 = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \cdot 1 \text{ cm}^2 (10 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s} \cdot 2500 \text{ cm}^{-3}/10^{-3} \text{ cm})$$

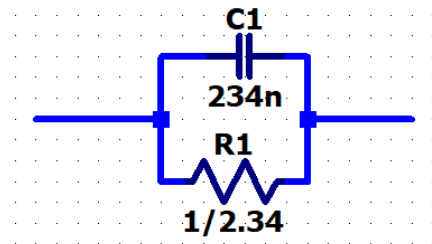
$$I_0 = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \cdot 1 (10 \cdot 2500/10^{-3}) \text{ C/s}$$

$$I_0 = 4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ A}$$

$$I = I_0(e^{.6/.0256} - 1) = 60 \text{ mA}$$

$$G = I/qkT = 2.34 \text{ S}$$

$$C = I \tau_p / qkT = 234 \text{ nF}$$

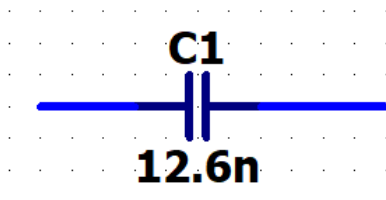


- b. The diode is biased in reverse such that the applied voltage $|V_A| = 20 \text{ V}$. Calculate the reverse bias capacitance (Hint: you can neglect V_{bi}). Draw the equivalent circuit, assuming an ideal diode. Explain briefly how the circuit will change if we start considering the non-ideal behavior of the diode.

$$W = \sqrt{2e/qND V_A}$$

$$W = 0.79 \times 10^{-4}$$

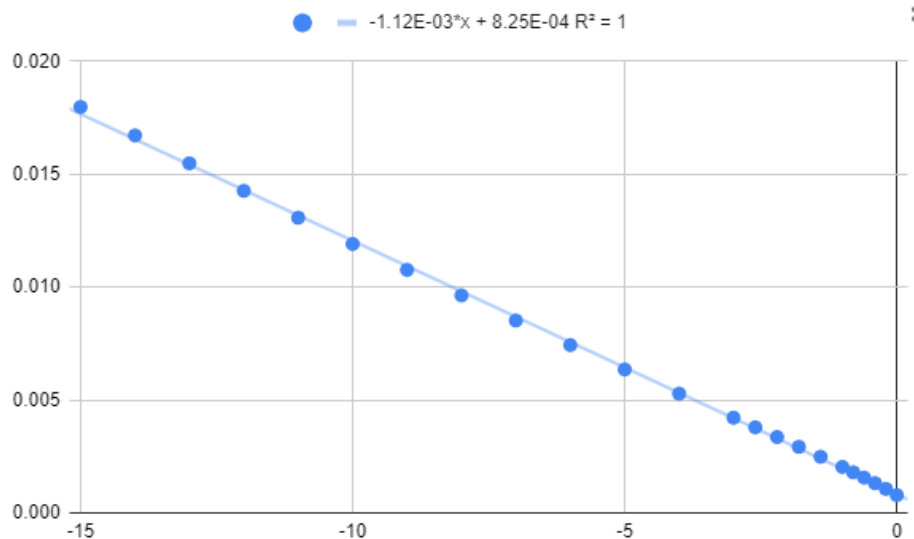
$$C = e/W = 12.6 \text{ nF}$$



2. Problem 7.4 in text. The IN4002 is one of the popular 4000-series general-purpose diodes. CV data from an IN4002 p+ -n junction diode is listed in Table below. Before analyzing the data, subtract 3pF from each capacitance value to account for the stray capacitance shunting the encapsulated diode. Assume area of the diode is $6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^2$. Make a $1/C^2$ -versus- V plot (as described in text) to determine the doping concentration in the lightly doped side. Also, determine the built-in voltage, V_{bi} from the graph.

VA (V)	C(pF)	VA (V)	C(pF)	VA (V)	C(pF)
0.0	38.709	-2.2	20.254	-9.0	12.639
-0.2	33.717	-2.6	19.248	-10.0	12.163
-0.4	30.567	-3.0	18.405	-11.0	11.746
-0.6	28.319	-4.0	16.762	-12.0	11.373
-0.8	26.598	-5.0	15.548	-13.0	11.037
-1.0	25.170	-6.0	14.599	-14.0	10.734
-1.4	23.060	-7.0	13.834	-15.0	10.458
-1.8	21.490	-8.0	13.189		

$1/C^2$ vs V_A



$$1/C^2 = 2/(q N_B K_S \epsilon_0 A^2) * (V_{bi} - V_A)$$

$$8.25 \times 10^{-4} - 1.12 \times 10^{-3} V_A = V_{bi} 2/(q N_B K_S \epsilon_0 A^2) - V_A 2/(q N_B K_S \epsilon_0 A^2)$$

$$1.12 \times 10^{-3} = 2/(q N_B K_S \epsilon_0 A^2)$$

$$8.25 \times 10^{-4} = V_{bi} 2/(q N_B K_S \epsilon_0 A^2)$$

$$8.25 \times 10^{-4} = V_{bi} 1.12 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$8.25 \times 10^{-4} / 1.12 \times 10^{-3} = V_{bi}$$

$$V_{bi} = 0.7366 \text{ V}$$

$$1.12 \times 10^{-3} = 2/(q N_B K_S \epsilon_0 A^2)$$

$$N_B = 2/(q (1.12 \times 10^{-3}) K_S \epsilon_0 A^2)$$

$$N_B = 2/((1.6 \times 10^{-19}) (1.12 \times 10^{-3} \times 10^{12}) (11.8) (8.85 \times 10^{-14}) (6 \times 10^{-3})^2)$$

$$N_B = 2.96 \times 10^{14}$$