

# DEVICE PHYSICS (NUMERICAL SOLVER)

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## Assignment 1

### Note:

um : Micro-meter

A\_e\_b:  $a \times 10^b$  (for instance,  $5e17 = 5 \times 10^{17}$ )

NDn: Donor conc.

NAp: Acceptor conc.

ni: Intrinsic charge carrier conc. (take  $10^{10}$ )

### SOME INSTRUCTIONS:

- Be honest and submit the results and do as much as you can.
- DO NOT share the complete codes to your friends and submit the same results, as it completely defeats the purpose of the assignment.
- However, you are free and welcome to discuss ideas and overall approach on solving the assignment with us and your friends as well.
- Make sure you don't use AI tools heavily, but rather to look-up for correct usage of codes, overall flow of ideas and for syntaxes.

1) Create 1D mesh (0,50um) with 100 node points in between and metallic contacts at the ends.

Simulate a **Resistor**. You have to find out the net

doping profile ( $N_{Dn} - N_{Ap}$ ) for the device given (upto a constant factor “c1” and “c2”. i.e  $c1*N_{Dn} - c2*N_{Ap}$  ).

For example, if a step donor doping profile has to be created at  $x = 25\mu m$ ,

$N_{Dn} = \text{step\_function}(x-25)$ .

$N_{Ap} = 0$ .

$N_{Dn} = c1*N_{Dn}$

$N_{Ap} = c2*N_{Ap}$

(The constants c1 and c2 can be of your choice)

Net doping =  $N_{Dn} - N_{Ap}$  (Donor atom conc. - Acceptor atom conc.)

- 2) Apply zero bias and plot potential, excess carrier conc. (both electrons and holes) as a function of  $x$  and explain the results with the help of all theoretical formulae required from Fonstad.
- 3) Now, apply 0.3V bias and repeat part (2)
- 4) Now, create another 1D mesh with the same specifications as part (1), but instead of a resistor, create a pn-junction Diode, with the junction exactly midway, with donor and acceptor conc. =  $10^{17}$  in their respective regions.

(Hint: you have to make use of step function to realise the profile)

- 5) Apply zero bias, Forward bias of 0.1V, 0.3V, 0.5V and reverse bias of 0.1V, 0.3V, 0.5V and analyse potential, excess carrier conc. As a function of  $x$ .

### BONUS:

- 6) Try to find out the syntax and the code required to get the current values from the contacts using the documentation.
- 7) Try to plot the IV- characteristic curve for the diode created in part (4) by sweeping the voltage bias from  $-0.7\text{V}$  to  $0.7\text{V}$ .