

Quiz - 1 Answer Keys

Ans1. a) When T is very high $n_i(T)$ is large
and $n_i(T) \gg N_A$

$\therefore E_F$ will be close to or same as E_i

b) When T is Room temperature,

$$n_i(T) \ll N_A$$

$\therefore E_F$ will be close to valence band edge

Sol.2) Given $N_D = 5 \times 10^{17} / \text{cm}^3$

a) Type of majority charge carrier — electron
Concentration, $n_0 \approx N_D = 5 \times 10^{17} / \text{cm}^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } E_F - E_i &= KT \ln\left(\frac{N_D}{n_i}\right) \\ &= 0.026 \ln\left(\frac{5 \times 10^{17}}{1.5 \times 10^{10}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E_F - E_i = 0.4501 \text{ eV}}$$

c) Concentration of minority charge carrier,

$$P_0 = \frac{n_i^2}{N_D} = \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{10})^2}{5 \times 10^{17}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{P_0 = 4.5 \times 10^2 / \text{cm}^3}$$

$$d) E_i - E_F = kT \ln \left(\frac{P_0}{n_i} \right)$$

$$= 0.026 \times \ln \left(\frac{4.5 \times 10^2}{1.5 \times 10^{10}} \right)$$

$$\boxed{E_i - E_F = -0.4503 \text{ eV}}$$

$$\text{Ans. 3} \quad N_A^- + n_0 = N_D^+ + P_0$$

Considering $N_A > N_D$, semiconductor is p-type

$$P_0 = (N_A^- - N_D^+) + n_0$$

$$\Rightarrow P_0 = (N_A^- - N_D^+) + \frac{n_i^2}{P_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_0^2 - (N_A^- - N_D^+) P_0 - n_i^2 = 0$$

$$P_0 = (N_A^- - N_D^+) + \sqrt{(N_A^- - N_D^+)^2 + 4n_i^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_0 = \frac{N_A^- - N_D^+}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{N_A^- - N_D^+}{2}\right)^2 + n_i^2}$$

The root with $\frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2}$, has been discarded as this would have resulted into -ve P_0 value which is not possible.

Sol. 4) $N_A = 10^{16} / \text{cm}^3$

$$N_A^+ = 70\% \text{ of } 10^{16} / \text{cm}^3$$

$$= 7 \times 10^{15} / \text{cm}^3$$

$$\sigma \approx q \mu_p P$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 350 \times 7 \times 10^{15}$$

$$\boxed{\sigma = 0.392 \text{ S/cm}}$$

Ans. 5) \rightarrow Type of majority carrier

\rightarrow Concentration of majority carrier

\rightarrow mobility of majority carrier

\rightarrow resistivity / conductivity.

1. $\frac{1}{x^2} = x^{-2}$ $\frac{d}{dx} x^{-2} = -2x^{-3} = -\frac{2}{x^3}$