

ECE 542
Homework #2

Due: Jan. 24, 2020

1. Name one acceptor dopant element for silicon.
2. Name two donor dopant elements for silicon.
3. A piece of Silicon is doped with donor atoms at a concentration of $N_D = 10^{18} \text{cm}^{-3}$. The piece is 1 mm long, 10 μm wide, and 10 μm thick.
 - a. What is the electron concentration?
 - b. What is the hole concentration?
 - c. What is the electron mobility?
 - d. What is the hole mobility?
 - e. What is the resistivity?
 - f. Where is the Fermi level located relative to the middle of the bandgap?
 - g. What is the resistance of the piece of silicon?
 - h. 1 V is applied across the length. How much current flows?
 - i. 1000 V is applied across the length. How much current flows?
4. A piece of silicon is doped with acceptor atoms at a concentration of $N_A = 10^{17} \text{cm}^{-3}$. The piece is 10 μm long, 2 μm wide, and 2 μm thick.
 - a. What is the electron concentration?
 - b. What is the hole concentration?
 - c. What is the electron mobility?
 - d. What is the hole mobility?
 - e. What is the resistivity?
 - f. Where is the Fermi level located relative to the middle of the bandgap?
 - g. What is the resistance of the piece of silicon?
 - h. 1 V is applied across the length. How much current flows?
 - i. 100 V is applied across the length. How much current flows?
5. (extra credit) Using Equations 3.35, 3.36, and 3.37, plot the intrinsic carrier concentration as a function of temperature for silicon. The temperature should range from 200 K to 600 K. The y-axis (intrinsic carrier concentration) should be a log scale. Use a computer to generate the plot, and turn in your code.