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- Answers should be CLEAR AND TO THE POINT.
- All parts of a single question must be answered together. ELSE QUESTION SHALL NOT BE EVALUATED.

1. Answer the changes in each of the following parameters in terms of "Increasing" or [10 x 1]
"Decreasing" as the case may be, **when temperature increases.**
 - (a) Conductivity of the semiconductor.
 - (b) Reverse saturation current in p-n junction.
 - (c) Junction potential.
 - (d) Junction width.
 - (e) Energy band gap.
 - (f) Junction capacitance.
 - (g) Mobility due to impurity.
 - (h) Conductance of JFET channel.
 - (i) Pinch off voltage.
 - (j) Avalanche breakdown.
2. A Si p-type substrate at room temperature shows a current density of 24 A/cm^2 for an [2+2+4+2]
applied field of 10 V/cm . The same substrate is used to make a p-n junction which provides a
junction potential of 0.6 V .
 - (a) Find the dopant concentration of the substrate.
 - (b) Find the dopant type and concentration required for the n-side of the junction.
 - (c) Draw the majority and minority carrier concentration profile across the above p-n
junction for both unbiased ($V = 0$) and reverse biased conditions.
 - (d) Draw the energy band diagram of the above p-n junction formed for both unbiased ($V = 0$) and forward biased ($V_f = 0.2 \text{ V}$) conditions.
3. A Si sample is doped with acceptor impurity of given profile: $N_A = 10^{14} \exp(-ax^2)$. [3+3]
For $x \geq 0$ assume $a = 2/(\mu\text{m})^{1/2}$.
 - (a) Find the expression and value for the electric field at $x = a/2$ and at $x = a$.
 - (b) Sketch and label the energy band diagram for this Si sample.

4. Sketch and label the energy band diagram across metal semiconductor junction. (Assume: $q\chi$ [1+1+2+2]
for semiconductor is 4.0 eV, $E_g = 1.1$ eV, $kT = 0.026$ eV, $n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{10}/\text{cm}^3$ at 300 K.

(a) $q\phi_m = 4.5$ eV, $q\phi_s = 4.2$ eV for n-type for $V = 0$ V, 0.2 V (forward bias), 1 V (reverse bias)

(b) $q\phi_m = 4.3$ eV, $q\phi_s = 4.4$ eV for n-type for $V = 0$ V, 0.2 V (forward bias), +1 V (reverse bias)

(c) Depletion width if any for both the cases.

(d) Find the maximum electric field at the interface.

5. Sketch the I-V curve for a real diode and comment for: [3]

(a) Reverse saturation current increases with bias.

(b) Forward current varies with a function $\exp(qV/2kT)$.

(c) Under high level injection.

6. For a p-n junction diode the maximum electric field is given as [5]

$$E_{max} = \sqrt{\frac{2q(V_o - V)N_A \cdot N_D}{\epsilon_s(N_A + N_D)}}$$

Derive the expression for breakdown voltage V_{Br} for a p^+n diode in terms of E_{max} . Assume,

$E_{max} = E_{critical}$.

Comment on breakdown voltage (V_{Br}) as N_D is increased.

7. Draw and label properly the energy band diagram of a junction made by two different [2]
materials A and B whose data are given below

| Material | Elec. Affinity (eV) | E_g (eV) | $E_C - E_F$ (eV) | $E_F - E_V$ (eV) |
|------------|---------------------|------------|------------------|------------------|
| A (p-type) | 4.5 | 1.4 | - | 0.3 |
| B (n-type) | 4.5 | 1.8 | 0.3 | - |

8. The current equation for a p-n junction diode for $V > \frac{3kT}{q}$ is given as, $I = I_o \exp\left(\frac{qV}{kT}\right)$ where, [3]

$I_o = A \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-1.12 \text{ eV}}{kT}\right)$. Calculate the suitable forward bias voltage required at 320 K for this diode to maintain the same current as available in this diode at 300 K for 0.5 V forward bias.

Hence, compute $\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta T}$.

9. Draw the gate label schematic of binary half adder circuit. Draw its equivalent CMOS [5]
transistor-based circuit. Write down the Boolean expression and truth table, which explain properly both the above drawn circuit.

Useful Equations

$$r = \frac{h^2 \epsilon_0 n^2}{\pi m q^4} \quad KE = h\nu_0 - \frac{ch}{\lambda_0} \quad \rho = \frac{R.A}{L}$$

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E - E_F}{KT}\right)}$$

$$\text{At Equilibrium, } n_0 = \int_{E_c}^{\infty} f(E)N(E)dE = N_c f(E_c) = N_c e^{-(E_c - E_F)/kT}$$

$$N_c = 2 \left(\frac{2\pi m_n^* kT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \quad n_0 = n_i e^{(E_F - E_i)/kT}$$

$$N_v = 2 \left(\frac{2\pi m_p^* kT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \quad p_0 = n_i e^{(E_i - E_F)/kT}; \quad n_0 p_0 = n_i^2$$

$$p_0 = N_v [1 - f(E_v)] = N_v e^{-(E_F - E_v)/kT}$$

$$n_i = N_c e^{-(E_c - E_i)/kT}$$

$$p_i = N_v e^{-(E_i - E_F)/kT} \quad n_i = \sqrt{N_c N_v} e^{-(E_g)/2kT} = 2 \left(\frac{2\pi kT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} (m_n^* m_p^*)^{3/4} e^{-(E_g)/2kT}$$

$$n = N_c e^{-(E_c - F_n)/kT} = n_i e^{(F_n - E_i)/kT} \quad p = N_v e^{-(F_p - E_i)/kT} = n_i e^{(E_i - F_p)/kT}$$

$$np = n_i^2 e^{(F_n - F_p)/kT}$$

$$\frac{d\xi(x)}{dx} = \frac{d^2 V(x)}{dx^2} = \frac{\rho(x)}{\epsilon} = \frac{q}{\epsilon} (p - n + N_d^+ - N_a^-)$$

$$\xi(x) = -\frac{dV(x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{q} \frac{dE_i}{dx} \quad \frac{I_x}{A} = J_x = q(n\mu_n + p\mu_p)\xi_x = \sigma \xi_x \quad L = \sqrt{D\tau} \quad \frac{D}{\mu} = \frac{kT}{q}$$

$$\frac{\partial p(x,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \delta p}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{q} \frac{\partial J_p}{\partial x} - \frac{\delta p}{\tau_p}$$

$$\frac{\partial \delta n}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{q} \frac{\partial J_n}{\partial x} - \frac{\delta n}{\tau_n}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \delta n}{dx^2} = \frac{\delta n}{D_n \tau_n} = \frac{\delta n}{L_n^2} \quad \frac{d^2 \delta p}{dx^2} = \frac{\delta p}{L_p^2}$$

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$$\text{Diffusion length: } L \equiv \sqrt{D\tau} \quad \text{Einstein relation: } \frac{D}{\mu} = \frac{kT}{q}$$

$$\text{Continuity: } \frac{\partial p(x,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \delta p}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{q} \frac{\partial J_p}{\partial x} - \frac{\delta p}{\tau_p} \quad \frac{\partial \delta n}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{q} \frac{\partial J_n}{\partial x} - \frac{\delta n}{\tau_n}$$

$$\text{For steady state diffusion: } \frac{d^2 \delta n}{dx^2} = \frac{\delta n}{D_n \tau_n} = \frac{\delta n}{L_n^2} \quad \frac{d^2 \delta p}{dx^2} = \frac{\delta p}{L_p^2}$$

$$\text{Equilibrium: } V_0 = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{p_p}{p_n} = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{N_a}{n_i^2/N_d} = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{N_a N_d}{n_i^2} \quad \frac{p_p}{p_n} = \frac{n_n}{n_p} = e^{qV_0/kT}$$

$$W = \left[\frac{2\epsilon(V_0 - V)}{q} \left(\frac{N_a + N_d}{N_a N_d} \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\text{Junction Depletion: } C_j = \epsilon A \left[\frac{q}{2\epsilon(V_0 - V)} \frac{N_a N_d}{N_d + N_a} \right]^{1/2} = \frac{\epsilon A}{W}$$

$$\text{One-sided abrupt } p^+-n: \quad x_{n0} = \frac{WN_a}{N_a + N_d} \approx W \quad V_0 = \frac{qN_d W^2}{2\epsilon}$$

$$\Delta p_n = p(x_{n0}) - p_n = p_n(e^{qV/kT} - 1)$$

$$\delta p(x_n) = \Delta p_n e^{-x_n/L_p} = p_n(e^{qV/kT} - 1)e^{-x_n/L_p}$$

$$\text{Ideal diode: } I = qA \left(\frac{D_p}{L_p} p_n + \frac{D_n}{L_n} n_p \right) (e^{qV/kT} - 1) = I_0(e^{qV/kT} - 1)$$

$$\text{Stored charge exp. hole dist.: } Q_p = qA \int_0^\infty \delta p(x_n) dx_n = qA \Delta p_n \int_0^\infty e^{-x_n/L_p} dx_n = qAL_p \Delta p_n$$

$$I_p(x_n = 0) = \frac{Q_p}{\tau_p} = qA \frac{L_p}{\tau_p} \Delta p_n = qA \frac{D_p}{L_p} p_n (e^{qV/kT} - 1)$$

$$I_{Ep} = qA \frac{D_p}{L_p} \left(\Delta p_E \operatorname{ctnh} \frac{W_b}{L_p} - \Delta p_C \operatorname{csch} \frac{W_b}{L_p} \right)$$

$$I_C = qA \frac{D_p}{L_p} \left(\Delta p_E \operatorname{csch} \frac{W_b}{L_p} - \Delta p_C \operatorname{ctnh} \frac{W_b}{L_p} \right) \quad \text{Substrate bias: } \Delta V_T \approx \frac{\sqrt{2\epsilon_s q N_a}}{C_i} (-V_B)^{1/2}$$

$$\text{Oxide: } C_i = \frac{\epsilon_i}{d} \quad \text{Depletion: } C_d = \frac{\epsilon_s}{W} \quad \text{MOS: } C = \frac{C_i C_d}{C_i + C_d}$$

$$\text{Inversion: } \phi_s(\text{inv.}) = 2\phi_F = 2 \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{N_a}{n_i} \quad (6-15) \quad W = \left[\frac{2\epsilon_s \phi_s}{qN_a} \right]^{1/2}$$