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Title of the Course : Solid State Devices

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Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

Note:

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

Use following data if not given in a problem:  $\epsilon_o = 8.85 \times 10^{-14} \text{F/cm}$ ,  $\epsilon_r (\text{SiO}_2) = 3.9$ ,  $\epsilon_r (\text{Si}) = 11.8$ , At room temperature for Si [ $\mu_n = 1350 \text{cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{S}$ ,  $\mu_p = 480 \text{cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{S}$ ,  $n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{10}/\text{cm}^3$ ,  $E_g = 1.12 \text{ eV}$ ],  $k = 8.62 \times 10^{-5} \text{eV/K}$ ,  $\tau_n = \tau_p = 1 \mu\text{s}$ ,  $E_g(\text{Ge}) = 0.7 \text{ eV}$ ,  $n_i(\text{Ge}) = 2.5 \times 10^{13}/\text{cm}^3$ .

1. Sketch qualitatively voltage vs. capacitance of an n-substrate MOS structure in absence of interface charges. Also present an equilibrium circuit combination of  $C_{ox}$ ,  $C_{it}$  and  $C_d$ . [3+2]
2. Sketch and label  $1/C^2$  vs. increasing reverse bias of a pn junction diode having slope as  $2 \times 10^{22} \text{F}^{-2}\text{V}^{-1}$  and intercept as 0.86 V at voltage axis. If the junction area is  $1 \mu\text{m}^2$ , then find doping concentrations of both lightly and heavily doped regions of the pn junction diode. [2+3]
3. Draw and label properly the energy band diagram of a junction made by two different materials A and B whose data are given below: [5]

Material	Electron Affinity (q $\chi$ )	Band Gap ( $E_g$ )	$E_C - E_F$	$E_F - E_V$
A (p-type)	4.5 eV	1.4 eV	--	0.3 eV
B (n-type)	4.5 eV	1.8 eV	0.3 eV	--

4. A metal-semiconductor (MS) junction is made between a metal of work function  $\phi_m = 4.6 \text{ eV}$  and a p-type Si doped with  $1.5 \times 10^{14}/\text{cm}^3$  at room temp. Sketch and label the energy band diagrams across the MS junction before contact and after contact. [2.5 + 2.5]  
[ $q\chi_{\text{Si}} = 4.05 \text{ eV}$ ].
5. Consider a Ge crystal at room temperature doped with  $5 \times 10^{17}/\text{cm}^3$  As atoms. Find equilibrium electron, hole concentrations and position of the Fermi level w.r.t intrinsic energy level ( $E_i$ ) and conduction energy band ( $E_c$ ). Draw the energy band diagram also. [5]
6. For a Si bar having length  $4 \mu\text{m}$ , doped n-type at  $10^{17}/\text{cm}^3$ . Calculate the current for an applied voltage of 2 V having a cross sectional area of  $0.01 \text{ cm}^2$ . If the voltage is now raised at 100 V what will be the change in current? Electron and hole mobilities are  $1350 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$  and  $480 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$  respectively. [5]

sec and  $400 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-sec}$  for low electric field. For higher field, saturation velocity for electron is  $V_s = 10^7 \text{ cm/sec}$ .

7. Consider a Si sample kept at room temperature having band gap  $E_g = 1.12 \text{ eV}$ . [5]
- (a) If the Fermi level  $E_F$  is located exactly at the middle of the band gap for this sample, then what will be the probability of finding an electron at  $E = E_c + 2KT$ .
- (b) If the Fermi level  $E_F$  is located such that  $E_F = E_v$ , then what will be the probability of finding an electron at  $E = E_v + KT$ .

**Note: Put "Tick (✓)" Marks on the write option wherever applicable (Bold) / Fill in the blanks.**

8. (a) In an  $n\text{pn Si/Si}_{1-x}\text{Ge}_x$  heterojunction bipolar transistor (HBT), base is **heavily/ lightly** [2]  
doped and increases the **hole/ electron** injection efficiency.
- (b) Body or substrate bias effect **increases/ decreases** the current in MOSFETs and [2]  
Boron ion implantation **increases/ decreases** the threshold voltage ( $V_T$ ) in n-channel MOSFETs.
- (c) Usually in MOS scaling, the oxide layer thickness **increases/ decreases** and gate [2]  
capacitance of the device **increases/ decreases**.
- (d) Substrate leakage current in n-MOS devices are due to secondary **electrons/ holes** [2]  
and this current **increases/ reduces** at higher gate voltage.
- (e) Avalanche breakdown voltage **increases/ decreases** as band gap of the [2]  
semiconductor increases and this voltage **increases/ decreases** as doping of the lighter region decreases.
- (f) The probability of finding an electron at an energy level  $4kT$  above the Fermi level [2]  
would be 0.0183 and number of electrons would be  $0.0183 \times 10^{19} / \text{cm}^3$  if the density of states is  $10^{19} / \text{cm}^3$ .
- (g) For a Si at a given temperature it is found that  $1 \times 10^{10} \text{ electrons/ cm}^3$  have moved from [3]  
valance band (VB) to conduction band (CB) when density of atoms is  $10^{22} / \text{cm}^3$ . Then number of holes in the VB would be  $10^{10}$  and this will be a factor of value  $10^{-11}$  of the total available electrons in the VB.

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### Useful Equations

Fermi-Dirac  $e^-$  distribution:  $f(E) = \frac{1}{e^{(E-E_F)/kT} + 1} \approx e^{-(E-E_F)/kT}$  for  $E \gg E_F$

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

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

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

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

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

$$p = N_v e^{-(F_p-E_v)/kT} = n_i e^{(E_i-F_p)/kT}$$

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

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}(x)}{dx} = -\frac{d^2V(x)}{dx^2} = \frac{\rho(x)}{\epsilon} = \frac{q}{\epsilon} (p - n + N_d^+ - N_a^-) \quad \mathcal{E}(x) = -\frac{dV(x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{q} \frac{dE_i}{dx}$$

$$\frac{I_x}{A} = J_x = q(n\mu_n + p\mu_p)\mathcal{E}_x = \sigma \mathcal{E}_x$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

One-sided abrupt  $p^+ - n$ :  $x_{p0} = \frac{WN_d}{N_a + N_d} \approx W$

$V_0 = \frac{qN_d W^2}{2\epsilon}$

$\Delta p_n = p(x_{p0}) - p_n = p_n(e^{qV/kT} - 1)$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$Q_d = -qN_d W_m = -2(\epsilon_s q N_a \phi_F)^{1/2}$  (6-32) At  $V_{FB}$ :  $C_{FB} = \frac{C_i C_{dchye}}{C_i + C_{dchye}}$

$\Delta p_E = p_n (e^{qV_{EB}/kT} - 1)$

$\Delta p_C = p_n (e^{qV_{CB}/kT} - 1)$

$I_B = qA \frac{D_p}{L_p} \left[ (\Delta p_E + \Delta p_C) \tanh \frac{W_b}{2L_p} \right]$

$B = \frac{I_C}{I_{Ep}} = \frac{\operatorname{csch} W_b/L_p}{\coth W_b/L_p} = \operatorname{sech} \frac{W_b}{L_p} \approx 1 - \left( \frac{W_b^2}{2L_p^2} \right)$

(Base transport factor)

$\gamma = \frac{I_{Ep}}{I_{Ep} + I_{Ep}} = \left[ 1 + \frac{L_p^n n_n \mu_n^n}{L_p^n p_p \mu_p^n} \tanh \frac{W_b}{L_p} \right]^{-1} = \left[ 1 + \frac{W_b \mu_n \mu_p^n}{L_p^n p_p \mu_p^n} \right]^{-1}$

(Emitter injection efficiency)

$\frac{i_C}{i_E} = B\gamma \equiv \alpha$  (7-3)

$\frac{i_C}{i_B} = \frac{B\gamma}{1 - B\gamma} = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha} \equiv \beta$   $\frac{i_C}{i_B} = \beta = \frac{\tau_p}{\tau_i}$

(Common base gain)

(Common emitter gain)

(For  $\gamma = 1$ )