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Problem#1

For a 2D semiconductor system, the E-k relationship near the conduction band edge is parabolic, namely  $E(k) = E_c + \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m_e}$ , where  $E_c$  is the conduction band minimum, and  $m_e$  is the electron effective mass. However, for 2D system, the  $k$  is also 2D (i.e.  $k_x$  and  $k_y$ ) with spacing of  $\frac{2\pi}{L_{x,y}}$ . That is the "unit area" of a  $k$  is  $\frac{(2\pi)^2}{A}$ , as opposed to  $\frac{(2\pi)^3}{V}$  in the 3D semiconductor.

- (a) What is the total number of states for energy  $E \leq E_0$ ?
- (b) Derive the density of states at energy level  $E_0$ , note the number of states between  $E_0$  to  $E_0 + \Delta E$  is  $\approx D(E_0)\Delta E$
- (c) Derive the equation for electron concentration  $n$  for a fermi-energy  $E_{f0}$ ?

(Note that the number of states and electron concentration have the units of  $cm^{-2}$ )

a)  $E(k) = E_c + \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m_e}$  ;  $k = \frac{2\pi}{L_{x,y}} \approx k = \frac{(2\pi)^2}{A}$  where  $E = E(k) - E_c$

$$N(k) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{A} \cdot \frac{\pi k^2}{(2\pi)^2} = \frac{2\pi k^2}{(2\pi)^2} = \frac{k^2}{2\pi} \rightarrow k = \sqrt{\frac{2m_e E}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$N(E) = \frac{2m_e E}{2\pi \hbar^2} = \frac{m_e E}{\pi \hbar^2} \rightarrow N(E) = \frac{m_e (E - E_c)}{\pi \hbar^2}$$

b)  $g(E) = \text{density of states} \Rightarrow \frac{dN(E)}{dE} = \frac{m_e}{\pi \hbar^2} \rightarrow g(E) \Delta E \rightarrow \frac{m_e \Delta E}{\pi \hbar^2}$

c)  $n = \int_{E_c}^{\infty} g(E) F(E) dE \rightarrow n = N_c \int \frac{E - E_c}{1 + \exp(\frac{E - E_f}{kT})} dE$

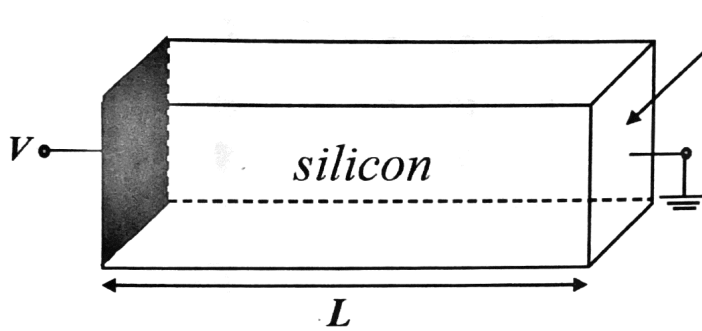
using Boltzmann's approximation

$$n = N_c \exp\left(\frac{E_{f0} - E_c}{kT}\right)$$

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Problem#2

A block of Si has a length of  $L = 100\mu\text{m}$  and an area  $A = 10\mu\text{m}^2$ .



Area = A

$$10\mu\text{m}^2 \times \frac{10^{-9}\text{cm}^2}{1\mu\text{m}^2} = 1 \times 10^{-8}$$

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$$1\mu\text{m} = 10^{-4}\text{cm}$$

$$1\mu\text{m}^2 = 10^{-9}\text{cm}^2$$

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calculator acting up

- (a) If the silicon is doped with arsenic at a concentration  $N_{D1} = 5 \times 10^{16}\text{cm}^{-3}$ , what are the electron and hole density in the silicon block. In addition, what is the resistance between two faces of the block, as shown in the figure.
- (b) Additional phosphorus has been introduced in to the silicon in part (a) with uniform doping concentration of  $N_{D2} = 5 \times 10^{16}\text{cm}^{-3}$  by solid state diffusion. Calculate the new electron and hole density in the silicon block as well as the resistance between two faces of the block.
- (c) Additional boron has been introduced to the silicon in part (b) with uniform doping concentration of  $N_A = 1.5 \times 10^{17}\text{cm}^{-3}$  by solid state diffusion. Calculate the new electron and hole density in the silicon block as well as the resistance between two faces of the block.

a)  $n \approx N_D = 5 \times 10^{16}\text{cm}^{-3} \rightarrow np = (n_i)^2 \rightarrow p = \frac{(n_i)^2}{n} = \frac{(10^{10})^2}{5 \times 10^{16}} = 2.0 \times 10^3\text{cm}^{-3}$

$$J = \frac{I}{A}; \quad \epsilon = \frac{V}{L} \quad R = \frac{V}{I} \rightarrow R = \frac{\epsilon \cdot L}{J \cdot A} \rightarrow \frac{\epsilon \cdot L}{\sigma \epsilon \cdot A} \rightarrow R = \frac{L}{\sigma A}$$

$$R = \frac{1}{q(4n\mu)} = \frac{1}{q(5 \times 10^{16} \cdot 980)} = 0.1276 \Omega \cdot \text{cm}$$

$$R = \frac{(0.1276)(10^{-3})}{(1 \times 10^{-8})} = 12760 \Omega \Rightarrow 12.8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

b) New  $N_{Dn} = N_{D1} + N_{D2} \rightarrow 5 \times 10^{16} + 5 \times 10^{16} \rightarrow 1 \times 10^{17}\text{cm}^{-3}$  since is not compensated

$$p = \frac{(n_i)^2}{n} = \frac{(1 \times 10^{10})^2}{1 \times 10^{17}} = 1 \times 10^3\text{cm}^{-3}$$

$$n \approx N_{Dn} = 1 \times 10^{17}\text{cm}^{-3}$$

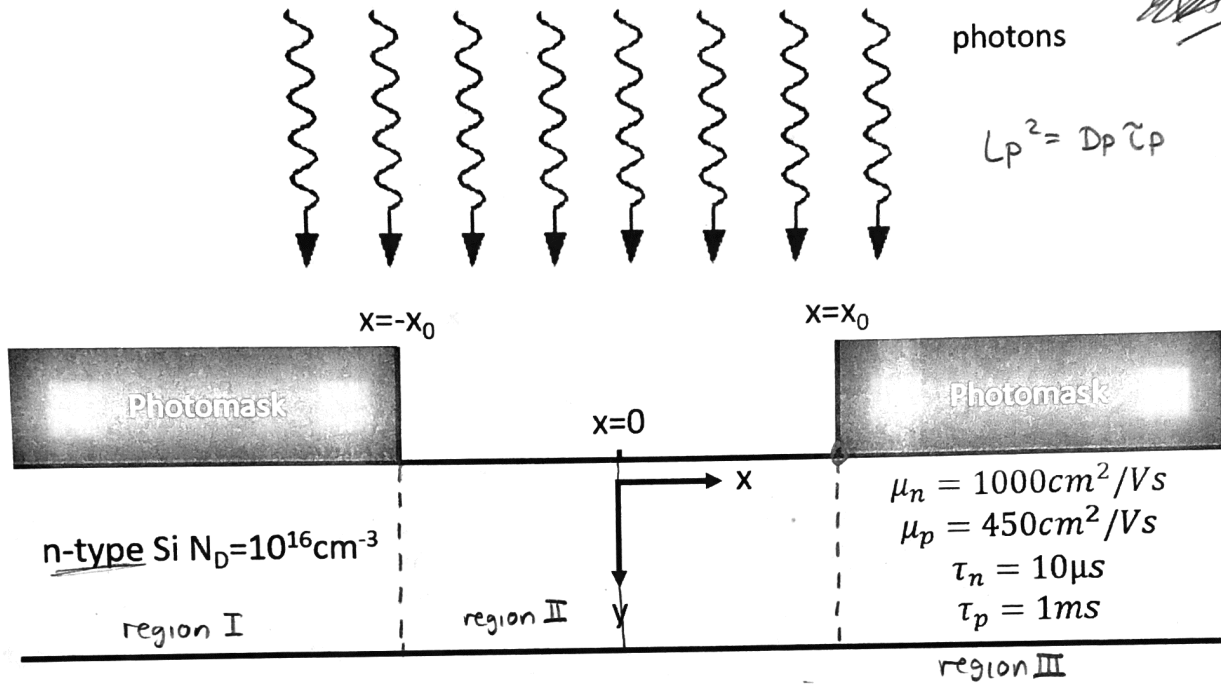
$$R = \frac{1}{q(1 \times 10^{17} \cdot 800)} = 0.078 \Omega \cdot \text{cm}$$

$$R = \frac{(0.078)(10^{-3})}{(1 \times 10^{-8})} = 7800 \rightarrow 7.8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

continued in back

Problem#3

$$\frac{dJ_p}{dx} = -q D_p \frac{d^2(\Delta p)}{dx^2}$$



Photons are incident onto silicon wafer. In the shaded area (i.e. not obstructed by the photomask), there is uniform electron/hole generation with generation rate  $G_L$  ( $cm^{-3}s^{-1}$ ). The lateral dimensions of the wafer can be treated as it extends to infinity.

- (a) Derive  $\Delta n$  as a function of the lateral position (i.e.  $x$  direction), note that  $\Delta n \approx \Delta p$  under steady state as per discussed in the lecture.
- (b) If  $x_0 = 50 \mu m$ , what is value of  $\Delta n \approx \Delta p$  at  $x_0$ .

$\Delta n = \Delta p$  under steady state  $\frac{\partial(\Delta p)}{\partial t} = \frac{-1}{q} \frac{\partial J_p}{\partial x} - \frac{\Delta p}{\tau_p} + G_L \rightarrow 0 = \frac{-1}{q} \left( -q D_p \frac{d^2(\Delta p)}{dx^2} \right) - \frac{\Delta p}{\tau_p} + G_L$

Region I:  $\Delta p_1 = D_p \tau_p \frac{d^2(\Delta p)}{dx^2} \rightarrow \Delta p_1(x) = A_1 \exp(x/L_p) + B_2 \exp(-x/L_p)$   $0 = D_p \cdot \tau_p \frac{d^2(\Delta p)}{dx^2} - \Delta p + G_L \cdot \tau_p$

at  $x = -\infty$   $B_2 = 0$ , so  $\Delta p_1(x) = A_1 \exp(x/L_p)$

$\Delta p = D_p \cdot \tau_p \frac{d^2(\Delta p)}{dx^2} + G_L \tau_p$

Region II:  $\Delta p_3 = D_p \tau_p \frac{d^2(\Delta p)}{dx^2} \rightarrow \Delta p_3(x) = C_1 \exp(x/L_p) + C_2 \exp(-x/L_p)$  at  $x = \infty$   $C_1 = 0$   $\Delta p_3 = C_2 \exp(-x/L_p)$

Region III:  $\Delta p_2 = G_L \cdot \tau_p$

### Problem 2:

$$N_d = 1 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$N_A = 1.5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

now we have more acceptors  
so we are a p-type

compensated p-type

$$p = N_A - N_D = 1.5 \times 10^{17} - 1 \times 10^{17} = 5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$n = \frac{(n_i)^2}{p} = \frac{(1 \times 10^{10})^2}{5 \times 10^{16}} = 2 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$\mu$  now depends on both of them  
so  $N_i = N_A + N_D$

$$R = \frac{1}{q(\mu_{np})} = \frac{1}{q(240)(5 \times 10^{16})} = 0.5208 \Omega \text{ cm}$$

$$R = \frac{(0.5208)(10^{-3})}{(1 \times 10^{-8})} = 52080 \Rightarrow 52.1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

### Problem 3:

boundary conditions

$$\Delta p_1(-x_0) = \Delta p_2(-x_0) \rightarrow A_1 \exp\left(\frac{-x_0}{L_p}\right) = G L_p \tau_p \rightarrow A_1 = \frac{G L_p \tau_p}{\exp\left(\frac{-x_0}{L_p}\right)}$$

$$\Delta p_2(x_0) = \Delta p_3(x_0) \rightarrow G L_p \tau_p = C_2 \exp\left(\frac{-x_0}{L_p}\right) \rightarrow C_2 = \frac{G L_p \tau_p}{\exp\left(\frac{-x_0}{L_p}\right)}$$

$$\Delta p_1 = \frac{G L_p \tau_p}{\exp\left(\frac{-x_0}{L_p}\right)} \exp\left(\frac{x}{L_p}\right) \rightarrow \Delta n_1 = \Delta p_1 = G L_p \tau_p \exp\left(\frac{x+x_0}{L_p}\right) \quad x < -x_0 \quad -LD$$

$$\Delta p_2 = G L_p \tau_p$$

$$\Delta n_2 = \Delta p_2 = G L_p \tau_p \quad -x_0 \leq x \leq x_0$$

$$\Delta p_3 = \frac{G L_p \tau_p}{\exp\left(\frac{-x_0}{L_p}\right)} \exp\left(\frac{-x}{L_p}\right)$$

$$\Delta n_3 = \Delta p_3 = G L_p \tau_p \exp\left(\frac{x_0-x}{L_p}\right) \quad x > x_0$$

$$\Delta n_1 = G_L \tau_p \exp\left(\frac{x+x_0}{L_p}\right)$$

$$L_p = \sqrt{D_p \tau_p}$$

$$\Delta n_2 = G_L \tau_p$$

$$\Delta n_3 = G_L \tau_p \exp\left(\frac{x_0 - x}{L_p}\right)$$

Einstein's Relation

$$\frac{D_p}{\mu_p} = \frac{kT}{q}$$

$$D_p = \frac{(kT)\mu_p}{q}$$

$$D_p = \mu_p \frac{(8.617 \times 10^{-5})(300) \text{ eV} \cdot k}{\text{eV} \cdot k}$$

$$D_p = \left(450 \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{V}\cdot\text{s}}\right) \left(\frac{300 \text{ K}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}}\right)$$

$$D_p = 11.65 \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{s}}$$

if  $x_0 = 50 \mu\text{m}$

$$\Delta n_1 = G_L \tau_p \exp\left(\frac{x+50 \mu\text{m}}{0.108}\right) \quad x \leq -50 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\Delta n_2 = G_L \tau_p \quad -50 \mu\text{m} < x < 50 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\Delta n_3 = G_L \tau_p \exp\left(\frac{50 \mu\text{m} - x}{0.108}\right) \quad x \geq 50 \mu\text{m}$$

@  $x_0 = 50 \mu\text{m}$

$$\Delta n_3(50 \mu\text{m}) = G_L \tau_p \exp\left(\frac{50 \mu\text{m} - 50 \mu\text{m}}{0.108 \times 10^{-2}}\right)$$

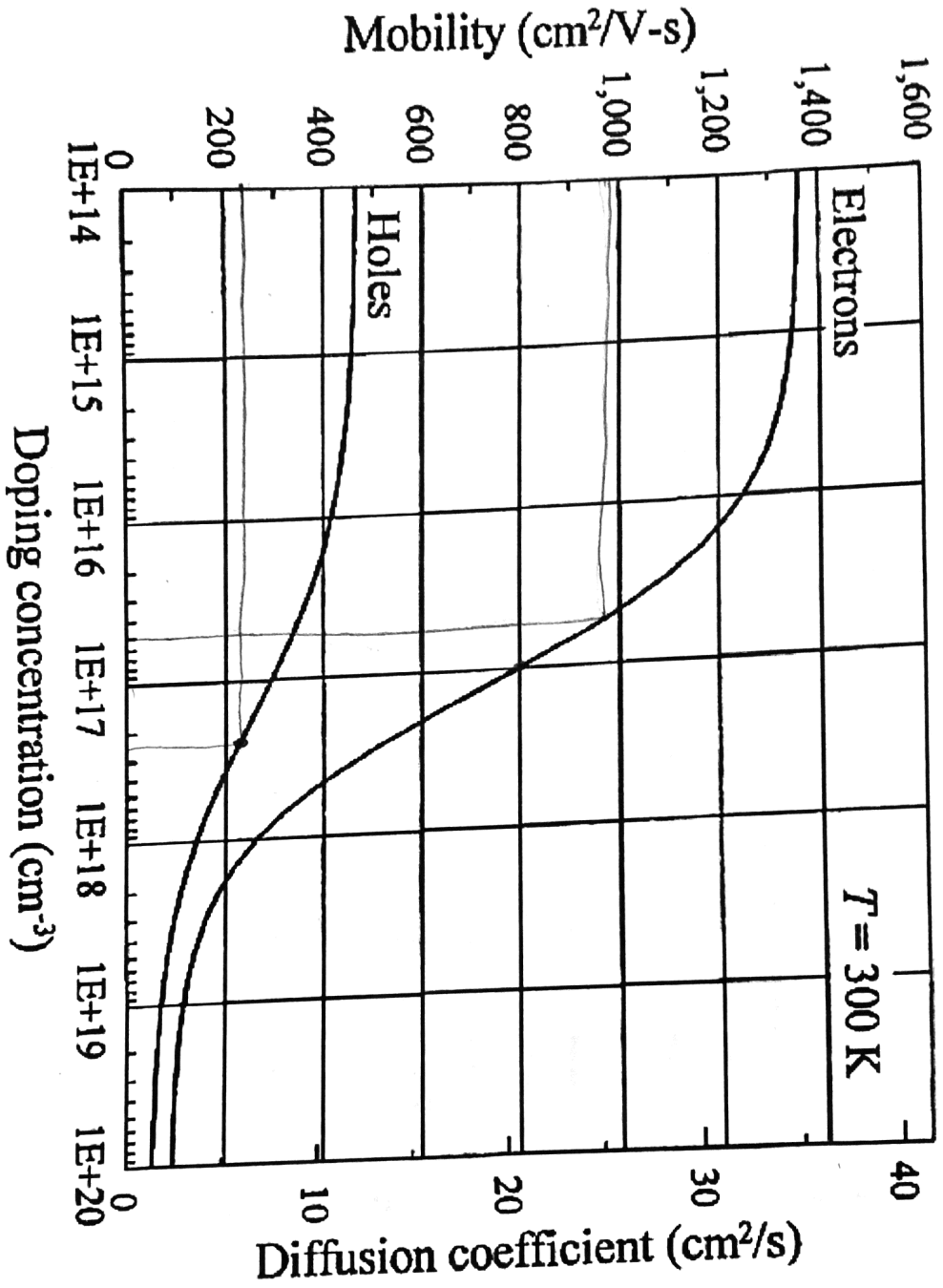
$$= (1 \times 10^{-3}) G_L \exp(0)$$

$$\Delta n_3(50 \mu\text{m}) = (1 \times 10^{-3}) G_L$$

$$L_p = \sqrt{(1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}) (11.6 \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{s}})}$$

$$L_p = 0.108 \text{ cm} \quad \checkmark$$

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Electron and hole mobilities in bulk silicon at 300 K