

Chapter 1

Exercise Problems

EX1.1

$$n_i = BT^{3/2} \exp\left(\frac{-E_g}{2kT}\right)$$

$$\text{GaAs: } n_i = (2.1 \times 10^{14})(300)^{3/2} \exp\left(\frac{-1.4}{2(86 \times 10^{-6})(300)}\right) \text{ or } n_i = 1.8 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\text{Ge: } n_i = (1.66 \times 10^{13})(300)^{3/2} \exp\left(\frac{-0.66}{2(86 \times 10^{-6})(300)}\right) \text{ or } n_i = 2.40 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

EX1.2

(a) majority carrier: holes, $p_o = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ minority carrier: electrons,

$$n_o = \frac{n_i^2}{p_o} = \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{10})^2}{10^{17}} = 2.25 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

(b) majority carrier: electrons, $n_o = 5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ minority carrier: holes,

$$p_o = \frac{n_i^2}{n_o} = \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{10})^2}{5 \times 10^{15}} = 4.5 \times 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

EX1.3

For n-type, drift current density $J \cong e\mu_n nE$ or $200 = (1.6 \times 10^{-19})(7000)(10^{16})E$ which yields
 $E = 17.9 \text{ V/cm}$

EX1.4

Diffusion current density due to holes:

$$\begin{aligned} J_p &= -eD_p \frac{dp}{dx} \\ &= -eD_p (10^{16}) \left(\frac{-1}{L_p}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-x}{L_p}\right) \end{aligned}$$

(a) At $x = 0$

$$J_p = \frac{(1.6 \times 10^{-19})(10)(10^{16})}{10^{-3}} = 16 \text{ A/cm}^2$$

(b) At $x = 10^{-3} \text{ cm}$

$$J_p = 16 \exp\left(\frac{-10^{-3}}{10^{-3}}\right) = 5.89 \text{ A/cm}^2$$

EX1.5

$$V_{bi} = V_T \ln \left[\frac{N_a N_d}{n_i^2} \right] = (0.026) \ln \left[\frac{(10^{16})(10^{17})}{(1.8 \times 10^6)^2} \right] \text{ or } V_{bi} = 1.23 \text{ V}$$

EX1.6

$$C_j = C_{jo} \left(1 + \frac{V_R}{V_{bi}} \right)^{-1/2}$$

and

$$V_{bi} = V_T \ln \left[\frac{N_a N_d}{n_i^2} \right]$$

$$= (0.026) \ln \left[\frac{(10^{17})(10^{16})}{(1.5 \times 10^{10})^2} \right] = 0.757 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Then } 0.8 = C_{jo} \left(1 + \frac{5}{0.757} \right)^{-1/2} = C_{jo} (7.61)^{-1/2}$$

or

$$C_{jo} = 2.21 \text{ pF}$$

EX1.7

$$i_D = I_s \left[\exp \left(\frac{v_D}{V_T} \right) - 1 \right]$$

$$\text{so } 10^{-3} = (10^{-13}) \left[\exp \left(\frac{v_D}{0.026} \right) - 1 \right]$$

$$\text{Solving for the diode voltage, we find } v_D = (0.026) \ln \left[\frac{10^{-3}}{10^{-13}} + 1 \right]$$

or

$$v_D \cong (0.026) \ln(10^{10})$$

which yields

$$v_D = 0.599 \text{ V}$$

EX1.8

$$V_{PS} = I_D R + V_D \text{ and } I_D \cong I_s \exp \left(\frac{V_D}{V_T} \right)$$

$$\text{so } 4 = I_D (4 \times 10^3) + V_D \Rightarrow I_D = \frac{(4 - V_D)}{4 \times 10^3}$$

and

$$I_D = (10^{-12}) \exp \left(\frac{V_D}{0.026} \right)$$

By trial and error, we find $I_D \cong 0.864 \text{ mA}$ and $V_D \cong 0.535 \text{ V}$

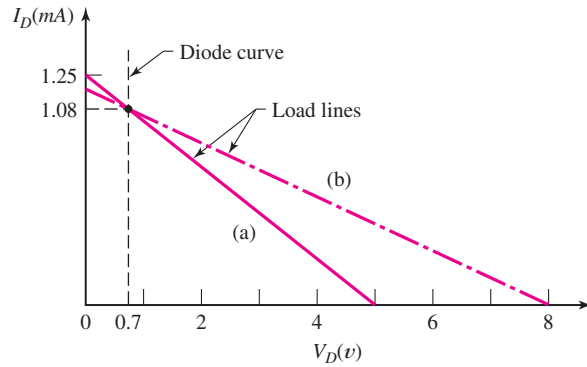
EX1.9

$$(a) \quad I_D = \frac{V_{PS} - V_\gamma}{R} = \frac{5 - 0.7}{4} \Rightarrow I_D = 1.08 \text{ mA}$$

$$(b) \quad I_D = \frac{V_{PS} - V_\gamma}{R} \Rightarrow R = \frac{V_{PS} - V_\gamma}{I_D}$$

$$\text{Then } R = \frac{8 - 0.7}{1.075} = 6.79 \text{ k}\Omega$$

(c)



EX1.10

PSpice analysis

EX1.11

Quiescent diode current $I_{DQ} = \frac{V_{PS} - V_\gamma}{R} = \frac{10 - 0.7}{20} = 0.465 \text{ mA}$

Time-varying diode current:

We find that $r_d = \frac{V_T}{I_{DQ}} = \frac{0.026}{0.465} = 0.0559 \text{ k}\Omega$

Then $i_d = \frac{v_i}{r_d + R} = \frac{0.2 \sin \omega t}{0.0559 + 20} \cdot \frac{(V)}{(k\Omega)}$ or $i_d = 9.97 \sin \omega t (\mu A)$

EX1.12

For the pn junction diode, $V_D \cong V_T \ln \left(\frac{I_D}{I_S} \right) = (0.026) \ln \left(\frac{1.2 \times 10^{-3}}{4 \times 10^{-15}} \right)$ or $V_D = 0.6871 \text{ V}$

The Schottky diode voltage will be smaller, so $V_D = 0.6871 - 0.265 = 0.4221 \text{ V}$

Now $I_D \cong I_S \exp \left(\frac{V_D}{V_T} \right)$

or

$$I_S = \frac{1.2 \times 10^{-3}}{\exp \left(\frac{0.4221}{0.026} \right)} \Rightarrow I_S = 1.07 \times 10^{-10} \text{ A}$$

EX1.13

$P = I \cdot V_Z \Rightarrow 10 = I(5.6) \Rightarrow I = 1.79 \text{ mA}$

Also $I = \frac{10 - 5.6}{R} = 1.79 \Rightarrow R = 2.46 \text{ k}\Omega$

Test Your Understanding Exercises

TYU1.1

(a) $T = 400 \text{ K}$

Si: $n_i = BT^{3/2} \exp \left(\frac{-E_g}{2kT} \right)$

$$n_i = (5.23 \times 10^{15}) (400)^{3/2} \exp \left[\frac{-1.1}{2(86 \times 10^{-6})(400)} \right]$$

or

$$n_i = 4.76 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\underline{\text{Ge:}} \quad n_i = (1.66 \times 10^{15}) (400)^{3/2} \exp \left[\frac{-0.66}{2(86 \times 10^{-6})(400)} \right]$$

or

$$n_i = 9.06 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

GaAs:

$$n_i = (2.1 \times 10^{14}) (400)^{3/2} \exp \left[\frac{-1.4}{2(86 \times 10^{-6})(400)} \right]$$

or

$$n_i = 2.44 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

(b) $T = 250 \text{ K}$

$$\underline{\text{Si:}} \quad n_i = (5.23 \times 10^{15}) (250)^{3/2} \exp \left[\frac{-1.1}{2(86 \times 10^{-6})(250)} \right]$$

or

$$n_i = 1.61 \times 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\underline{\text{Ge:}} \quad n_i = (1.66 \times 10^{15}) (250)^{3/2} \exp \left[\frac{-0.66}{2(86 \times 10^{-6})(250)} \right]$$

or

$$n_i = 1.42 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\underline{\text{GaAs:}} \quad n_i = (2.10 \times 10^{14}) (250)^{3/2} \exp \left[\frac{-1.4}{2(86 \times 10^{-6})(250)} \right]$$

or

$$n_i = 6.02 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

TYU1.2

$$(a) \quad n = 5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}, \quad p \ll n, \text{ so } \sigma \cong e\mu_n n = (1.6 \times 10^{-19})(1350)(5 \times 10^{16})$$

or

$$\sigma = 10.8 (\Omega - \text{cm})^{-1}$$

$$(b) \quad p = 5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}, \quad n \ll p, \text{ so } \sigma \cong e\mu_p p = (1.6 \times 10^{-19})(480)(5 \times 10^{16})$$

or

$$\sigma = 3.84 (\Omega - \text{cm})^{-1}$$

TYU1.3

$$J = \sigma E = (10)(15) \text{ or } J = 150 \text{ A/cm}^2$$

TYU1.4

$$(a) \quad J_n = eD_n \frac{dn}{dx} = eD_n \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta x} \text{ so } J_n = (1.6 \times 10^{-19})(35) \left(\frac{10^{15} - 10^{16}}{0 - 2.5 \times 10^{-4}} \right)$$

or

$$J_n = 202 \text{ A/cm}^2$$

$$(b) \quad J_p = -eD_p \frac{dp}{dx} = -eD_p \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta x} \text{ so } J_p = -(1.6 \times 10^{-19})(12.5) \left(\frac{10^{14} - 5 \times 10^{15}}{0 - 4 \times 10^{-4}} \right)$$

or

$$J_p = -24.5 \text{ A/cm}^2$$

TYU1.5

$$(a) \quad n_o = N_d = 8 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$p_o = \frac{n_i^2}{n_o} = \frac{(1.5 \times 10^{10})^2}{8 \times 10^{15}} = 2.81 \times 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$(b) \quad n = n_o + \delta n = 8 \times 10^{15} + 0.1 \times 10^{15}$$

or

$$n = 8.1 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$p = p_o + \delta p = 2.81 \times 10^4 + 10^{14}$$

or

$$p \cong 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

TYU1.6

$$(a) \quad V_{bi} = V_T \ln \left[\frac{N_a N_d}{n_i^2} \right] \text{ so } V_{bi} = (0.026) \ln \left[\frac{(10^{15})(10^{17})}{(1.5 \times 10^{10})^2} \right] = 0.697 \text{ V}$$

$$(b) \quad V_{bi} = (0.026) \ln \left[\frac{(10^{17})(10^{17})}{(1.5 \times 10^{10})^2} \right] = 0.817 \text{ V}$$

TYU1.7

$$(a) \quad I_D = I_s \left[\exp \left(\frac{V_D}{V_T} \right) - 1 \right]$$

$$I_D \cong 10^{-14} \exp \left(\frac{0.5}{0.026} \right)$$

Then, for

$$V_D = 0.5 \text{ V}, I_D = 2.25 \mu\text{A}$$

$$V_D = 0.6 \text{ V}, I_D = 0.105 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_D = 0.7 \text{ V}, I_D = 4.93 \text{ mA}$$

$$(b) \quad I_D \cong -I_s = -10^{-14} \text{ A}$$

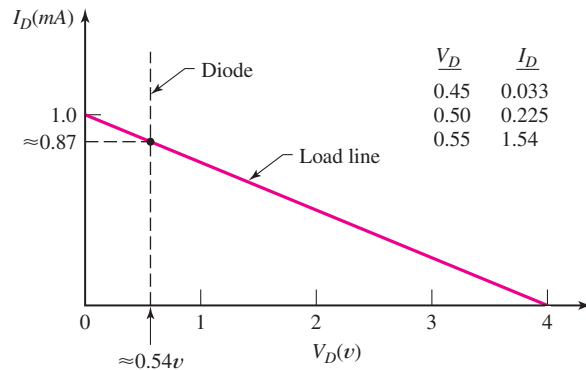
for both cases.

TYU1.8

$$\Delta T = 100^\circ\text{C} \text{ so } \Delta V_D \cong 2 \times 100 = 200 \text{ mV}$$

$$\text{Then } V_D = 0.650 - 0.20 = 0.450 \text{ V}$$

TYU1.9



TYU1.10

$$P = I_D V_D \Rightarrow 1.05 = I_D (0.7) \text{ so } I_D = 1.5 \text{ mA}$$

$$\text{Now } R = \frac{V_{PS} - V_\gamma}{I_D} = \frac{10 - 0.7}{1.5} \Rightarrow R = 6.2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

TYU1.11

$$g_d = \frac{I_D}{V_T} = \frac{0.8}{0.026} = 30.8 \text{ mS}$$

TYU1.12

$$r_d = \frac{V_T}{I_D} \Rightarrow 50 = \frac{0.026}{I_D} \Rightarrow I_D = \frac{0.026}{50}$$

or

$$I_D = 0.52 \text{ mA}$$

TYU1.13

For the pn junction diode,

$$I_D = \frac{4 - 0.7}{4} = 0.825 \text{ mA}$$

$$\text{For the Schottky diode, } I_D = \frac{4 - 0.3}{4} = 0.925 \text{ mA}$$

TYU1.14

$$V_z = V_{zo} + I_z r_z \Rightarrow V_{zo} = V_z - I_z r_z \text{ so } V_{zo} = 5.20 - (10^{-3})(20) = 5.18 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Then } V_z = 5.18 + (10 \times 10^{-3})(20) \Rightarrow V_z = 5.38 \text{ V}$$