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NEW SCHEME

Fifth Semester B. E. Degree Examination, July 2006

EC / TC

Solid State Devices and Technology

Time: 3 hrs.]

[Max. Marks:100

Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions.**2. Assume missing data if any.**

- 1
 - a. Derive an expression for drift current in a PN diode. (06 Marks)
 - b. A PN + Silicon junction diode is doped with $N_D = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $N_A = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $n_i = 1 \times 10^{10}$.
 - i) Determine the location of the Fermi levels, with respect to the bottom of the conduction band, in each of P and N.
 - ii) Determine the width of the depletion layer.
 - iii) The electric charge in each of the two segments of the depletion region given the area is $0.2 \times 0.3 \text{ cm}$, $\epsilon_{Si} = 11.8$, $E_g (300 \text{ K}) = 1.12 \text{ eV}$. (08 Marks)
 - c. Discuss the conditions in the diode with voltage applied across it, under forward bias and reverse bias. (06 Marks)
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 - a. List the assumptions in the derivation of the ideal diode equation. (06 Marks)
 - b. Derive the general equation for hole distribution in the N – region of the PN junction diode. (08 Marks)
 - c. Compare the IV characteristics of Germanium, Silicon and Gallium Arsenide highlighting the difference in their characteristics. (06 Marks)
- 3
 - a. Explain giving reasons why silicon is preferred for the fabrication of semiconductor devices. (05 Marks)
 - b. Discuss the various steps involved in the fabrication of integrated circuits with relevant sketches. (09 Marks)
 - c. How long would it take for a fixed amount of phosphorous distributed over one surface of a $25 \mu\text{m}$ – thick silicon wafer to become substantially uniformly distributed through out the wafer at 1300°C ? Consider that the concentration is sufficiently uniform if it does not differ by more than 10 percent from that at the surface. Assume $D = 1.5 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^2 / \text{sec}$ for P at 1300°C . (06 Marks)
- 4
 - a. With Energy band diagram representation of a PNP transistor, describe its structure and basic operation. (06 Marks)
 - b. A PNP transistor has the following current components, $I_{EP} = 2\text{mA}$, $I_{EN} = 0.01 \text{ mA}$, $I_{CP} = 1.98 \text{ mA}$, and $I_{CN} = 0.001 \text{ mA}$. Determine i) the basic transport factor. ii) the injection efficiency iii) α and β iv) I_B , I_{CBO} and I_{CEO} . (08 Marks)
 - c. Derive the Ebers – Moll model for the PNP transistor. (06 Marks)
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 - a. What are the effects of limitations on static characteristics of a PNP transistor. (06 Marks)

b. Prove that $BV_{CEO} = \frac{BVCBO}{\sqrt[n]{\beta_F}}$

Where BV_{CEO} is the breakdown voltage with base open ($I_B = 0$), $BVCBO$ is the breakdown voltage in common – base configuration, β_F is the common emitter short – circuit (B to C) current gain and n varies from 2 to 7. (08 Marks)

- c. With a circuit arrangement, derive an expression for the figure of merit of a transistor. (06 Marks)

- 6 a. Describe with a neat sketch, the construction and operation of a JFET, bringing out the effect of gate-to-source voltage and the drain voltage. (08 Marks)

- b. Derive an expression for the Resistance of the channel in a NJFET structure in terms of the mobility of the electrons, the width of the depletion region and the cross sectional area of the channel. (06 Marks)

- c. Explain the following secondary effects in JFET.

- i) Channel length modulation ii) Breakdown iii) Variation in mobility
iv) Temperature effects. (06 Marks)

- 7 a. Describe the operation of a schottky barrier diode drawing Energy band diagrams for i) Forward bias ii) Reverse bias conditions. (08 Marks)

- b. Compare between schottky diode and P-N junction diode bringing out salient features. (06 Marks)

- c. Explain band bending when a voltage is applied to a MOS diode. (06 Marks)

8. Write short notes on :

- a. The Czuchralski crystal growth.
b. Fabrication of resistors and capacitors in ICS.
c. Punch through phenomenon.
d. The Gummel – Poon model. (20 Marks)
