

B.TECH.
Year: 2nd Semester: IV
MINOR TEST (EXAMINATION): 2025-26
Semiconductor Devices and Applications

Time: 2 Hr.

Max. Marks: 30

Note- Answer all questions

Q1.	Attempt any Three parts of the following. (Unit-1 & Unit-2)	Marks	CO	BL	PO	PI Cod
a)	Define effective mass of an electron. Derive the expression of effective mass using the E-k relation.	4	1	2, 3		
b)	Using the relation $\mu \propto T^{-m}$, discuss how the mobility of charge carriers changes with temperature within the range of 100K to 400K.	4	2	2, 3, 4		
c)	Derive the expression for the width of the depletion region W of an open-circuited P-N junction in terms of V_0 , N_A , N_D , and permittivity ϵ .	4	1	3, 4		
d)	Consider a silicon pn junction at $T = 300$ K with a p-type doping concentration of $N_a = 2 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. Determine the n-type doping concentration such that the maximum electric field is $E_{\text{max}} = 2.5 \times 10^5 \text{ V/cm}$ at a reverse-biased voltage of $V_R = 25 \text{ V}$.	4	1	3, 4, 5		
Q2.	Attempt any Three parts of the following. (Unit 1)					
a)	State and explain Maxwell-Boltzmann approximation. Mention its validity condition. Assuming the Boltzmann approximation applies, write the equations for n_0 and p_0 in terms of the Fermi energy.	3	1	3, 4, 5		
b)	State and explain the mass-action law. show how to calculate the minority carrier concentration in an n-type semiconductor if the donor concentration (N_D) is known.	3	1	2, 3, 4, 5		
c)	Consider a gallium arsenide sample at $T=300$ K with doping concentrations of $N_a=0$ and $N_d=10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. Assume complete ionization and assume electron and hole mobilities given in Table. Calculate the drift current density if the applied electric field is $E=10\text{V/cm}$.	3	2	2, 3, 4		
		$\mu_n \text{ (cm}^2/\text{V-s)}$	$\mu_p \text{ (cm}^2/\text{V-s)}$			
Silicon		1350	480			
Gallium arsenide		8500	400			
Germanium		3900	1900			

d)	Explain n-type and p-type semiconductors and the role of donor and acceptor impurities.	3	1	2, 3
Q3.	Attempt any Three parts of the following.			
a)	Sketch the depletion region charge profile, electric field profile $E(x)$, electrostatic potential $\phi(x)$, across the depletion region of an abrupt P-N junction at equilibrium.	3	2	2, 3, 4
b)	Discuss the effect of doping concentration on the width of the depletion region in a P-N junction diode with the diagram.	3	2	3, 4, 5
c)	Derive the expression for maximum electric field intensity E_{max} in the depletion region of an open-circuited P-N junction and show its relationship with V_0 and W .	3	2	3, 4
d)	A silicon diode indicates forward current of 2mA and 10mA when forward voltage are 0.6V and 0.7V respectively. Estimate the operating temperature of the diode junction.	3	2	3, 4, 5

BL – Bloom's Taxonomy Levels (1- Remembering, 2- Understanding, 3 – Applying, 4 – Analysing, 5– Evaluating, 6 - Creating)

CO – Course Outcomes

PO – Program Outcomes (As per Examination Reform Policy by AICTE Page No. 15)

PI Code – Performance Indicator Code