

## Q1. Input file

for Assignment 2, 480, 2011

Title "np junction from Fig. 6.7"

T = 300.0;

mesh = 0.005 um;

Substrate = Si;

Terminals: cathode, anode;

LeftBoundary cathode ohmic;

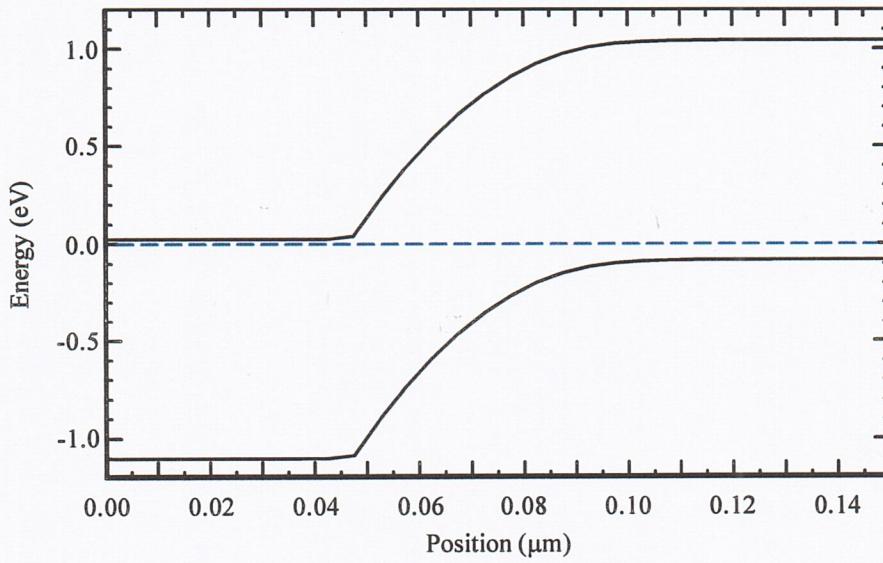
0.05 um, [Ntype = 1.0E19 percm3] cathode;

0.1 um, [Ptype = 5.0E17 percm3] anode;

RightBoundary anode ohmic;

[0.5]

Q1. Band diagram



Q2. Manipulate E scale so that can read off  $(E_c - E_F)$  on the n-side &  $(E_F - E_v)$  on p-side.

[0.5]  $E_c - E_F \Big|_{n\text{-side}} = \underline{\underline{2.3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}}}$

[0.5]  $E_F - E_v \Big|_{p\text{-side}} = \underline{\underline{8.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}}}$

Q3  
[1]

$$n_0 = N_c \exp\left(\frac{E_F - E_C}{k_B T}\right) = 2.744 \times 10^{19} \exp\left(-\frac{2.3 \times 10^{-2}}{0.0259}\right) = 1.128 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$N_{Veff} = \sum 2$  degenerate bands (see Fig. 2.9a)

$$= 9.958 \times 10^{18} + 1.458 \times 10^{18} \quad (\text{Frensky's numbers}) \\ = 1.1416 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

[1]  $\therefore p_0 = 1.1416 \times 10^{19} \exp\left(-\frac{8.1 \times 10^{-2}}{0.0259}\right) = 5.004 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Q4. In nQR, charge neutrality:  $-q n_0 + q p_0 + q N_D = 0$

Also:  $n_0 p_0 = n_i^2$

$$\therefore n_0 = N_D + \sqrt{N_D^2 + 4n_i^2}$$

[1]  $N_D^2 \gg 4n_i^2 \therefore n_0 \approx \frac{N_D + N_D}{2} \approx N_D \approx 1 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

[1] Similarly,  $p_0 \approx N_A \approx 5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

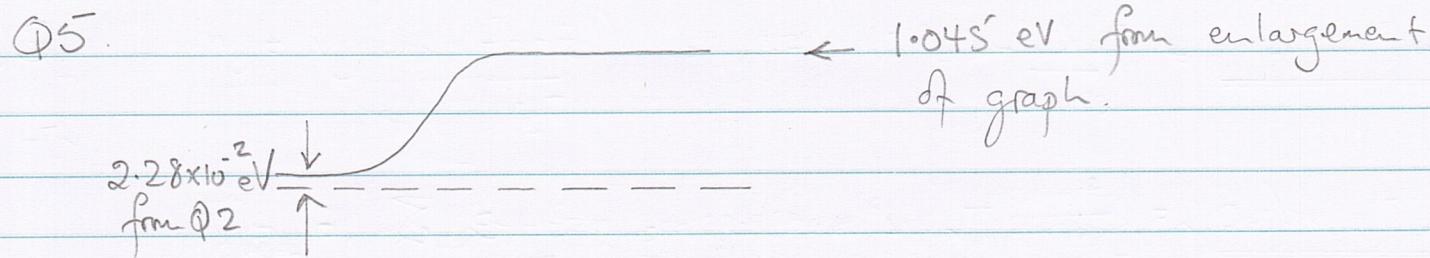
Agreement for  $p_0$  in Q3 & Q4 is OK.

For  $n_0$ , the Q3 answer is slightly high.

This is probably because  $(E_C - E_F)_{\text{Q3}}$  is  $< 2k_B T$ ,  $\therefore$

[1] MB statistics is not strictly applicable, and FD stats should be used instead.

(Actually, FD stats gives  $n_0 = 0.993 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )



[i]  $\therefore V_{bi} = 1.045 - 0.023 = \underline{\underline{1.022 \text{ V}}}$

For  $W$ , use the p-width as it is  $\frac{N_D}{N_A}$  times longer than the n-width.

[i] n-width. (see Eqn. 6.16).  $\rightarrow 0.11 - 0.05 = \underline{\underline{0.06 \mu\text{m}}}$

Q6.  $V_{bi} = V_T \ln \frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2}; n_i = \left[ N_c N_V e^{-E_g/k_B T} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

 $= 6.62 \times 10^{+9} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  using Frensky's numbers

[i]  $\therefore V_{bi} = 0.0259 \ln \left[ \frac{5 \times 10^{17} \times 10^{19}}{n_i^2} \right] = \underline{\underline{1.017 \text{ V}}}$

Agreement with answer from Q5 is OK.

$$W = \sqrt{\frac{2e}{q} V_J \left( \frac{1}{N_A} + \frac{1}{N_D} \right)}$$
 $= \left[ \frac{2 \times 11.8 \times 8.85 \times 10^{-14}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} \times 1.017 \left( \frac{1}{5 \times 10^{17}} + \frac{1}{10^{19}} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

[i]  $= \underline{\underline{52.8 \text{ nm}}}$

[ii] Close enough because in Q5 it is difficult to estimate  $W$  from the graph.

Q7. From an expanded version of the graph  $V_J = 0.244 - 0.023$

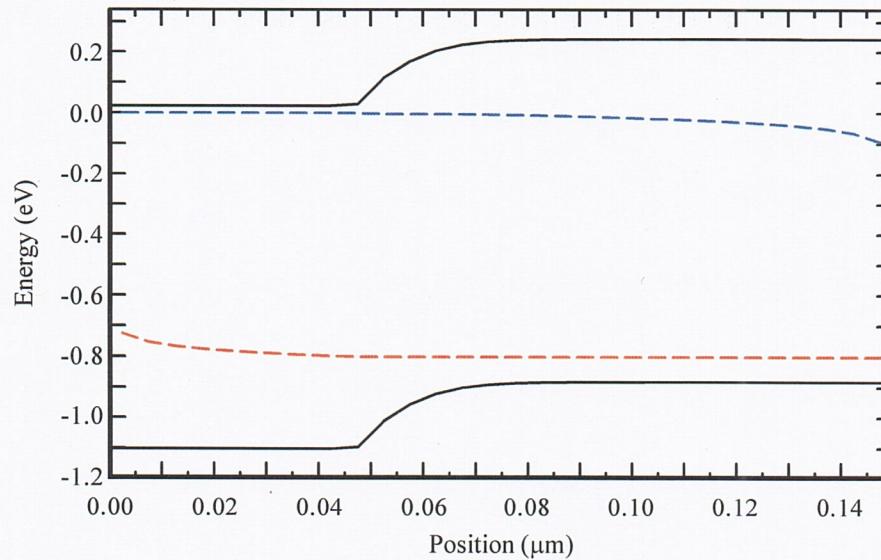
[i]

$$= \underline{\underline{0.221 \text{ V}}}$$

from the graph  $E_{Fn}(\text{none}) = 0$ ,  $E_{Fp}(\text{none}) = -0.8 \text{ eV}$

[ii]

Bands are flat through SCR  $\therefore (E_{Fn} - E_{Fp})_{SCR} = \underline{\underline{0.8 \text{ eV}}}$



Q8. [i]  $V_J = V_{bi} - V_a = 1.022 - 0.8 = \underline{\underline{0.222 \text{ V}}}$

Agreement with Q7 is OK

[ii]  $(E_{Fn} - E_{Fp})|_{SCR} = qV_a = \underline{\underline{0.8 \text{ eV}}}$

Agreement with Q7 is OK

Q9 for ideal diode:  $|J_e| = q n_{op} \left( e^{-V_a/V_T} - 1 \right) \cdot \frac{J_e}{L_e}$

$$\text{For } P_{op} = 5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}, \quad n_{op} = \frac{n_i^2}{P_{op}} = \frac{87.6}{5 \times 10^{17}} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\mu_e (5 \times 10^{17}) = 367 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$T_e (5 \times 10^{17}) = 45.5 \text{ ns}$$

$$D_e = k_B T / q \mu_e = 9.5 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$L_e = (D_e T_e)^{1/2} = 6.57 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$$

from (5.30)

from (3.21)

[1]  $\rightarrow J_e = 5.26 \text{ A/cm}^2$

[1] Bandprf gives  $J_T = 394.6 \text{ A/cm}^2$

(Area is  $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^2$ ,  $I = J \times A$ )

The discrepancy is large.

It is not due to neglecting  $J_h$  because  $J_h \propto P_{on}$

[1] and  $P_{on} = \frac{n_i^2}{N_D} = 4.4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  i.e.,  $J_h \approx \frac{J_e}{20}$

It is probably because Bandprf neglects recombination.

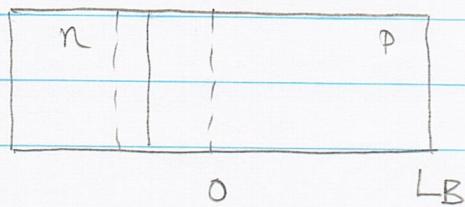
Q.10.

From toolbox,  $J_e = q \int D_e \frac{dn}{dx}$  in p-QNR

$$\$ \quad \frac{\partial n}{\partial x} = 0 = L \frac{dJ_e}{dx} + 0 \quad \text{for no recombination}$$

$$\therefore \frac{d^2n}{dx^2} = 0 \rightarrow \frac{dn}{dx} = C \rightarrow n = Cx + B$$

Re-label x-axis:



$$n(0) = n_{op} e^{-V_a/V_T}$$

$$n(L_B) = n_{op}$$

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$$\therefore B = n_{op} e^{-V_a/V_T}, \quad C = \frac{n_{op}}{L_B} (1 - e^{-V_a/V_T})$$

$$J_e = q \int D_e \frac{dn}{dx} = q \int D_e \frac{n_{op}}{L_B} (1 - e^{-V_a/V_T})$$

$$L_B = x_p - x_n ; \quad \frac{x_p}{x_n} = \frac{W \times N_D}{(N_D + N_A)} = \frac{52.8 \times 10^{-7} \times 10^{19}}{10^{19} + 5 \times 10^{17}} \text{ cm} \\ = 50 \text{ nm}$$

$$\therefore L_B = 100 - 50 = 50 \text{ nm}$$

$$\therefore |J_e| = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 9.5 \times 87.6 \left( e^{0.8/0.0255} \right) / 50 \times 10^{-7} \text{ A cm}^{-2}$$

[1]

$$= 691 \text{ A/cm}^{-2}$$

[1]

Reasonable agreement. Bandprof performs numerical simulation, i.e., does not make 'Depletion Approx' which gives error here as  $L_B$  is small.