ELEG 646; ELEG 446 - Nanoelectronic Device Principles - Spring 2011

Homework #10 - due Friday, 29 April 2011, in class

1. Problem 6.1 in chapter 6 of Muller & Kamins, p. 321 in 3rd edition.

2. Consider the thermionic emission model of a Schottky barrier diode, and use the standard I-V equation with ideality factor η . The measured forward current at 300 K is 3 x 10⁻⁸ A at 0.2 V and 1 x 10⁻⁶ A at 0.3 Volts. The diode area is 0.2 cm² and $\phi_B = 1V$. Calculate the saturation current I_s, the ideality factor η , and the value of A* (Richardson's constant).

3. Draw the energy band diagrams for an *n-p-n* transistor when it is biased in (a) the saturation region, and (b) the cutoff region.

4. A symmetrical Ge p-n-p transistor with emitter-base and collector-base junctions, each 1 mm in diameter, has an impurity concentration of 5 x 10^{15} cm⁻³ in the base and 10^{18} cm⁻³ in the emitter and the collector. The base-width is 10 µm, $\tau_B = 4 \times 10^{-6}$ sec, $\tau_E = 10^{-8}$ sec, and the emitter region is much longer than the diffusion length L_E. Calculate the current gains α and h_{FE} of the transistor. Take D_B = 47 cm² sec⁻¹ and D_E = 52 cm²sec⁻¹.

5. A Si n-p-n transistor has the following parameters at 300 K: $N_A = 5 \times 10^{16} \text{cm}^{-3}$, $N_D(E) = 1 \times 10^{18} \text{cm}^{-3}$, $W_B = 2 \,\mu\text{m}$, $W_E = 0.2 \,\mu\text{m}$, $\mu_B = 1000 \,\text{cm}^2 \,\text{V}^{-1} \,\text{sec}^{-1}$, $\mu_p(E) = 150 \,\text{cm}^2 \,\text{V}^{-1} \,\text{sec}^{-1}$, $\tau_B = 10^{-6} \,\text{sec}$, and $\tau_E = 10^{-8} \,\text{sec}$. The emitter-base junction area is 0.01 cm², $I_E = 1 \,\text{mA}$, and the collector-base junction is reverse biased by 2 V. Neglect carrier generation and recombination in the two junction depletion regions. (a) Calculate the emitter-base junction voltage and the excess electron concentration in the base at the edge of the emitter-base junction depletion region. (b) Calculate γ , α_T , and h_{FE} for the transistor.

6. Give the tentative title of your course design project (you are permitted to change it for the final submitted report).

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