

ELEG 646; ELEG 446 - Nanoelectronic Device Principles, Spring 2005

Homework #3 - due Thursday, 10 March 2005, in class

1.

A  $1 \text{ cm}^3$  of a metal has a density of states distribution  $N(E)dE = 6.82 \times 10^{21} \sqrt{E} dE$ , where  $E$  is measured from the bottom of the band. The number of electrons in a small energy interval between  $E_1 = 4.6 \text{ eV}$  and  $E_2 = 4.601 \text{ eV}$  is  $2.07 \times 10^{15}$ . Determine (a) the fraction of the states between  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  occupied by electrons and the position of the Fermi level, and (b) the number of electrons between  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  at  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{K}$ .

2.

Assuming that the volume of an  $n$ -type semiconductor bar with graded doping remains space-charge neutral, determine the impurity distribution  $N_d(x)$  and the electric field in the bar. Where are the charges that produce the field located? Assume the problem to be one-dimensional.

3.

In a p-n junction under thermal equilibrium, both the electron and hole currents are zero separately. Prove that this is possible only when

$$\frac{D_p}{\mu_p} = \frac{D_n}{\mu_n} = \frac{kT}{q}$$

4. Muller, Kamins, Chan (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.): prob 3.6, p. 172.

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