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ECE 305 – Spring 2018

Exam 1 – Thursday, January 25, 2018

This is a closed book exam. You may use a calculator and the formula sheet at the end of this exam. Following the ECE policy, the calculator **must** be a Texas Instruments TI-30X IIS scientific calculator.

To receive full credit, you must **show your work** (scratch paper is attached). The exam is designed to be taken in 50 minutes (or less). However, you will be given a full hour.

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100 points possible,

- I) 40 points (8 points per question)
- II) 30 points
- III) 30 points

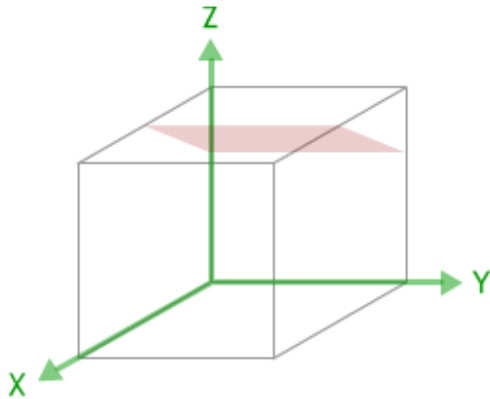
Course policy

If I'm caught cheating, I'll earn an F in the course & be reported to the Dean of Students.

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1 (8 points). What is the Miller index for the plane shown below?



- a. $(\bar{2}03)$
- b. $(0\bar{2}3)$
- c. $(20\bar{3})$
- d. $(3\bar{2}0)$
- e. $(2\bar{3}0)$

2 (8 points). The concentration of silicon atoms in the lattice is 5×10^{22} atoms/cm³. If germanium atoms are added, to the lattice, with a concentration of 1×10^{14} atoms/cm³, the semiconductor silicon is

- a. lightly p-doped
- b. heavily p-doped
- c. lightly n-doped
- d. heavily n-doped
- e. still intrinsic

3 (8 points). GaSb has zincblende crystalline lattice. What is the Bravais lattice it is directly based upon?

- a. Simple (or primitive) cubic lattice
- b. Body centered cubic lattice
- c. Face centered cubic lattice
- d. Simple (or primitive) tetragonal lattice
- e. Body centered tetragonal lattice

4 (8 points). Sulfur introduced into GaSb can result in

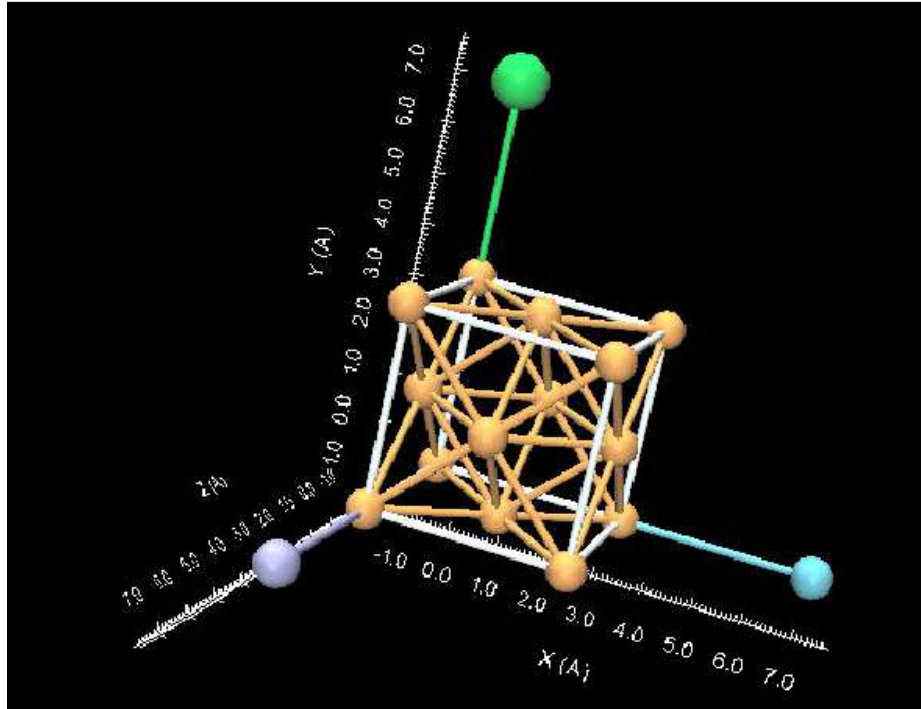
- a. Crystallization
- b. N-type doping
- c. P-type doping
- d. Both b. and c.
- e. None of the above

5 (8 points). How does one calculate the effective density of states from the density of states?

- a. Multiply the density of states with the effective carrier concentration
- b. Integrate the product of the Fermi-Dirac distribution and the density of states
- c. Divide the Boltzmann distribution by the Fermi energy
- d. Apply space charge neutrality
- e. They are identical

Part II (Free Response, 30 points)

Assume that we have face-centered cubic lattice of copper with an atomic radius of 1.278 \AA and a periodicity of 3.61 \AA , as shown below (noting that $1 \text{ \AA} = 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$).



a. Calculate the atomic density of this material (in atoms/cm³)

We have 4 atoms per unit cell, and each cell has a volume $V_{\text{cell}} = (3.61 \text{ \AA})^3 = 4.705 \times 10^{-23} \text{ cm}^3$

Thus, $N_a = \frac{4}{4.705 \times 10^{-23} \text{ cm}^3} = 8.50 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

b. Calculate the mass density of this material (g/cm³). The atomic mass of copper is 63.546 amu, while $1 \text{ amu} = 1.66 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$.

We obtain $\rho = mN_a = (63.546 \text{ amu}) \cdot \left(1.66 \times 10^{-24} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{amu}}\right) \cdot (8.50 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}) = 8.97 \text{ g/cm}^3$.

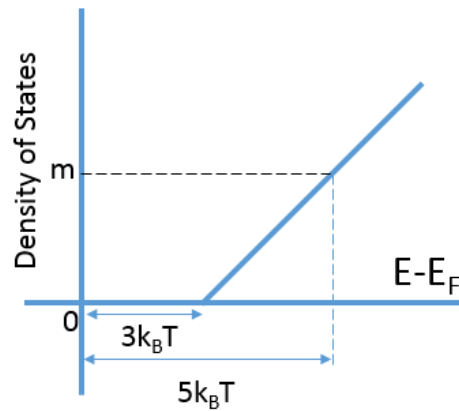
This value is very close to the literature value for copper at $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

c. Calculate the *packing fraction* of this material (i.e., the ratio of the total volume of the spheres to the volume of the cube enclosing them; a unitless value).

The volume of the atoms is given by $V_{\text{at}} = 4 \cdot \frac{4\pi}{3} a^3 = 4 \cdot \frac{4\pi}{3} (1.278 \text{ \AA})^3 = 34.97 \text{ \AA}^3$

Dividing by the cell volume V_{cell} yields $PF = \frac{V_{\text{at}}}{V_{\text{cell}}} = \frac{34.97 \text{ \AA}^3}{47.05 \text{ \AA}^3} = 0.74$.

Part III (Free Response, 30 points)

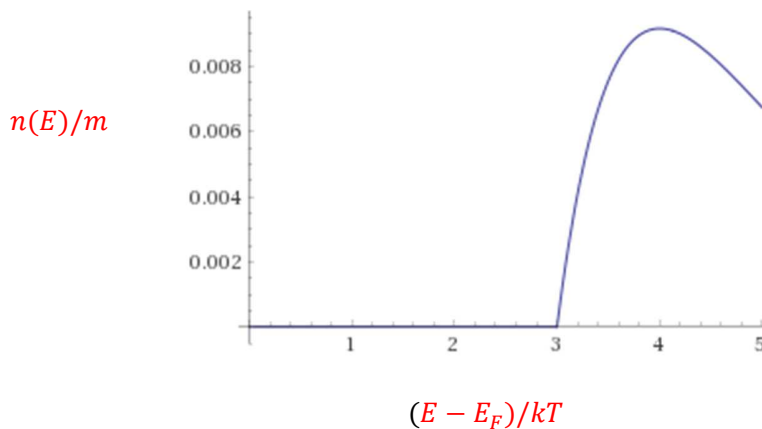


a. Using the graph, which depicts energy relative to the Fermi level E_F on the x-axis, and the density of states on the y-axis, write an expression for the density of states in terms of $E-E_F$.

We can use two-point form: $g(E) = \frac{m-0}{5k_B T - 3k_B T} (E - E_F - 3k_B T) = m \left(\frac{E - E_F}{2k_B T} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \Theta(E - E_F - 3k_B T)$

b. Formulate and sketch the carrier concentration per unit energy, $n(E)$. Assume that $E - E_F \gg k_B T$ in your derivation.

$$n(E) = g(E) \times f(E) \approx \Theta(E - E_F - 3k_B T) \times m \left(\frac{E - E_F}{2k_B T} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \exp\left(-\frac{E - E_F}{k_B T}\right)$$



c. Assuming you only need to account for states up to $5k_B T$ above the Fermi level, find the total carrier concentration n .

$$n = \int_{E_F+3k_B T}^{E_F+5k_B T} n(E) dE = mk_B T \int_3^5 \left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) e^{-x} dx = \frac{mk_B T}{2} [(2-x)e^{-x}]_3^5 = \frac{mk_B T}{2} (-3e^{-5} + e^{-3}).$$

ECE 305 Exam 1 Formula Sheet (Spring 2018)

Physical Constants	Silicon parameters ($T = 300$ K)
$\hbar = 1.055 \times 10^{-34}$ J·s	$N_C = 3.23 \times 10^{19}$ cm ⁻³
$m_0 = 9.109 \times 10^{-31}$ kg	$N_V = 1.83 \times 10^{19}$ cm ⁻³
$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}$ J/K	$n_i = 1.1 \times 10^{10}$ cm ⁻³
$q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ C	$K_s = 11.8$
$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12}$ F/m	

Miller Indices: (hkl) {hkl} [hkl] <hkl>

Density of states $g_C(E) = \frac{(m_n^*)^{3/2} \sqrt{2(E-E_C)}}{\pi^2 \hbar^3}$

Fermi function $f(E) = \frac{1}{1+e^{(E-E_F)/kT}}$

Intrinsic carrier concentration $n_i = \sqrt{N_C N_V} e^{-E_g/2kT}$

Equilibrium carrier densities: $N_C = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2m_n^* kT}{\pi \hbar^2} \right)^{3/2}$

$N_V = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2m_p^* kT}{\pi \hbar^2} \right)^{3/2}$

$n = N_C e^{(E_F-E_C)/kT} = n_i e^{(E_F-E_i)/kT}$

$p = N_V e^{(E_V-E_F)/kT} = n_i e^{(E_i-E_F)/kT}$

Space charge neutrality: $p - n + N_D^+ - N_A^- = 0$

Law of Mass Action: $np = n_i^2$

Conductivity/resistivity: $\sigma = \sigma_n + \sigma_p = q(n\mu_n + p\mu_p) = 1/\rho$

Drift-diffusion current equations: $J_n = nq\mu_n \mathcal{E}_x + qD_n \frac{dn}{dx}$ $\frac{D_n}{\mu_n} = \frac{kT}{q}$

$J_p = pq\mu_p \mathcal{E}_x - qD_p \frac{dp}{dx}$ $\frac{D_p}{\mu_p} = \frac{kT}{q}$