

P12 Solutions

(13.1) $n_{e,h} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sqrt{(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2} \pm \Delta n \right\}$

$|\Delta n| \ll n_i \Rightarrow \sqrt{(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2} \approx 2n_i \left[1 + \frac{1}{8} \frac{(\Delta n)^2}{n_i^2} \right]$

$\therefore n_e \approx n_i + \frac{\Delta n}{2} \quad n_h \approx n_i - \frac{\Delta n}{2}$ (to lowest order in Δn)

(13.2)

(a) $\sigma = \sigma(\Delta n) \quad \frac{d\sigma}{d\Delta n} = 0 = e \left(\tilde{\mu}_e \frac{dn_e}{d\Delta n} + \tilde{\mu}_h \frac{dn_h}{d\Delta n} \right)$

$\frac{dn_{e,h}}{d\Delta n} = \frac{d}{d\Delta n} \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2} \pm \Delta n \right) \quad \left(\sigma = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m} \right)$

$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\Delta n}{\sqrt{(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2}} \pm 1 \right)$

$0 = \tilde{\mu}_e \left(\frac{\Delta n}{\sqrt{(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2}} + 1 \right) + \tilde{\mu}_h \left(\frac{\Delta n}{\sqrt{(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2}} - 1 \right)$

$(\sqrt{\quad} + \Delta n) \tilde{\mu}_e = \tilde{\mu}_h (\sqrt{\quad} - \Delta n) \Rightarrow n_e \tilde{\mu}_e = n_h \tilde{\mu}_h$

$(\tilde{\mu}_e - \tilde{\mu}_h) \Gamma = -(\tilde{\mu}_h + \tilde{\mu}_e) \Delta n$ (note: with $\tilde{\mu}_e > \tilde{\mu}_h$, need $\Delta n < 0$; $\tilde{\mu}_h > \tilde{\mu}_e$, need $\Delta n > 0$)

$(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2 = \left(\frac{\tilde{\mu}_e + \tilde{\mu}_h}{\tilde{\mu}_e - \tilde{\mu}_h} \right)^2 \Delta n^2 \Rightarrow |\Delta n| = \frac{2n_i}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\tilde{\mu}_e + \tilde{\mu}_h}{\tilde{\mu}_e - \tilde{\mu}_h} \right)^2 - 1}}$

$|\Delta n| = \frac{n_i}{\sqrt{\tilde{\mu}_e \tilde{\mu}_h}} |\tilde{\mu}_e - \tilde{\mu}_h| \quad \text{or} \quad \Delta n = n_i \frac{(\tilde{\mu}_h - \tilde{\mu}_e)}{\sqrt{\tilde{\mu}_e \tilde{\mu}_h}}$

$\sigma_{min} = 2en_e \tilde{\mu}_e = 2en_i \sqrt{\tilde{\mu}_e \tilde{\mu}_h}$

(b) For $\Delta n = 0$ (intrinsic case) $n_e = n_h = n_i$ and $\sigma_i = 2en_i(\tilde{\mu}_e + \tilde{\mu}_h)$

$\therefore \frac{\sigma_{min}}{\sigma_i} = \frac{\sqrt{\tilde{\mu}_e \tilde{\mu}_h}}{\tilde{\mu}_e + \tilde{\mu}_h}$

(c)

$$\sigma_{\min} = ze \tilde{\mu}_e n_i \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{\mu}_n}{\tilde{\mu}_e}} = ze \sqrt{\tilde{\mu}_e \tilde{\mu}_n} n_i \leftarrow \text{units: } \frac{\text{Coul}}{\text{V-sec-cm}} = \frac{1}{\text{ohm-cm}}$$

$$n_i = \sqrt{n_c n_v} e^{-E_g/2\tau} \quad e = 1.9 \times 10^{-19} \text{ Coul}$$

Si at $T=300\text{K}$ $n_c = 2.7 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ $n_v = 1.1 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$$E_g/2 = 0.57 \text{ eV (at 300K)}$$

$$\tau = \frac{300}{1.16} \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ eV} \approx 2.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV} = 0.026 \text{ eV}$$

$$n_i = \sqrt{n_c n_v} e^{-E_g/2\tau} = \sqrt{(2.7)(1.1)} \cdot 10^{19} \exp(-0.57/0.026) = 1.72 \cdot 10^{19} \cdot 10^{-21.9/2.30}$$

$$= 1.72 \cdot 10^{19-9.52} = 3.32 \cdot 1.72 \cdot 10^{10}$$

$$\sigma_{\min}(\text{Si}) = 1.34 \times 10^{-6} (\text{ohm-cm})^{-1}$$

InSb at $T=300\text{K}$ $n_c = 4.6 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ $n_v = 6.2 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$$E_g/2 = 0.09 \text{ eV}$$

$$\tau = 0.026 \text{ eV}$$

at any $\sigma_{\min}(\text{InSb}) = \frac{40.75}{42200} (\text{ohm-cm})^{-1}$

(13.3) (ohm = $\frac{\text{V-sec}}{\text{Coul}}$)

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{20} = e (3900 n_e + 1900 n_h)$$

$$= e \cdot 10^3 (3.9 n_e + 1.9 n_h) = 10^3 e \left[1.95 (\sqrt{(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2} + \Delta n) + 0.95 (\sqrt{(\Delta n)^2 + 4n_i^2} - \Delta n) \right]$$

Since τ is not specified, must assume $|\Delta n| \gg n_i$, so

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{20} \approx \begin{cases} 10^3 e (3.9 |\Delta n| + 1.9 \frac{2n_i^2}{|\Delta n|}) \approx 3.9 e |\Delta n| \cdot 10^3 & \text{n-type} \\ 10^3 e (1.9 |\Delta n|) & \text{p-type} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore |\Delta n| = \begin{cases} \frac{10^{16}}{(1.9)(3.9)(20)} \text{ cm}^{-3} = 6.75 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3} & \text{n-type} \\ \frac{10^{16}}{(1.9)(1.9)20} \text{ cm}^{-3} = 1.39 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3} & \text{p-type} \end{cases}$$

$$(13.7) \quad n_1, n_2 \gg n_i \Rightarrow n_a^- \gg n_i \Rightarrow |\Delta n| \gg n_i \\ \Rightarrow n_h = n_a^-$$

$$\therefore n_h(x) = n_a^-(x) = n_v e^{(E_v - \mu - e\phi(x))/\tau}$$

$$n_a^-(x_1) = n_1 = n_v e^{(E_v - \mu - e\phi(x_1))/\tau}$$

$$n_a^-(x_2) = n_2 = n_v e^{(E_v - \mu - e\phi(x_2))/\tau}$$

$$\frac{n_1}{n_2} = e^{e(\phi(x_2) - \phi(x_1))/\tau}$$

$$\frac{\phi(x_2) - \phi(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} = -E = \frac{\tau e \ln\left(\frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)}{x_2 - x_1} \approx +1.8 \times 10^4 \frac{V}{cm}$$

(13.8) D_c is defined by

$$eD_c \vec{\nabla} n_c = \tilde{\mu}_c n_c \tau \vec{\nabla} \eta \quad \left(\eta \equiv \frac{\mu - E_c}{\tau} \right)$$

$$\eta \approx \ln\left(\frac{n_c}{n_c}\right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \frac{n_c}{n_c} - \left(\frac{3}{16} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{9}\right) \left(\frac{n_c}{n_c}\right)^2$$

$$\therefore eD_c \vec{\nabla} n_c = \tilde{\mu}_c n_c \tau \left[\frac{\vec{\nabla} n_c}{n_c} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \frac{1}{n_c} \vec{\nabla} n_c - 2\left(\frac{3}{16} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{9}\right) \frac{n_c}{n_c^2} \vec{\nabla} n_c \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow eD_c = \tilde{\mu}_c \tau \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \frac{n_c}{n_c} - 2\left(\frac{3}{16} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{9}\right) \left(\frac{n_c}{n_c}\right)^2 \right)$$

$$(13.10) \quad R = \frac{n_{c0} \delta n + n_{h0} \delta n + \delta n^2}{(n_c^* + n_{c0} + \delta n)t_h + (n_h^* + n_{h0} + \delta n)t_e} \equiv \frac{\delta n}{t} \quad (n_{c0} n_{h0} = n_i^2)$$

$$\frac{1}{t} = \frac{n_{c0} + n_{h0} + \delta n}{(n_c^* + n_{c0} + \delta n)t_h + (n_h^* + n_{h0} + \delta n)t_e}$$

$\delta n \ll n_{c0}, n_{h0}$

$$\frac{1}{t} \approx \frac{n_{c0} + n_{h0}}{(n_c^* + n_{c0})t_h + (n_h^* + n_{h0})t_e} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{n_c^* + n_{c0}}{n_{c0} + n_{h0}}\right)t_h + \left(\frac{n_h^* + n_{h0}}{n_{c0} + n_{h0}}\right)t_e}$$

$\delta n \gg n_{c0}, n_{h0}$

$$\frac{1}{t} \approx \frac{1}{t_h + t_e}$$

t is independent of δn in both of these limits.