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**FINAL EXAMINATION
SEMESTER II
SESSION 2017/2018**

COURSE NAME : ADVANCED SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES
COURSE CODE : BED 41003
PROGRAMME : BEJ
EXAMINATION DATE : JUNE / JULY 2018
DURATION : 3 HOURS
INSTRUCTION : 1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
2. THE QUESTION PAPER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE ANSWER BOOKLET.

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THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF TEN (10) PAGES

- Q1** (a) Given the parameters in the base region of an *npn* transistor are as follows:
 $D_n = 20 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$, $n_{B0} = 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $x_B = 1 \mu\text{m}$, $A_{BE} = 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^2$ and $v_{BE} = 0.6 \text{ V}$
 Determine the collector current and supply current for this transistor. (5 marks)
- (b) There are three modes of operation for an *npn* transistor, namely cutoff, forward active and saturation. Analyse how the increment of V_{BE} will eventually changes operation mode from forward active to saturation. (5 marks)
- (c) Collector current, I_C , is known heavily dependent on the B-E junction voltage, V_{BE} , in bipolar transistor. Analyse the increment in I_C if the V_{BE} is quadrupled. Assume all other parameters are unchanged. (5 marks)
- Q2** (a) Suppose a square n-channel MOSFET at $T = 300 \text{ K}$ produces transconductance, g_m , of $4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ S}$ during linear operation. Given the Si substrate is doped to $N_a = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, the oxide is SiO_2 with thickness of 100 \AA and the relative permittivity is 3.9. Calculate the drain voltage, V_D , and oxide capacitance, C_{ox} , of this device. (5 marks)
- (b) An inversion layer is created when a MOS capacitor is applied with large positive voltage. Analyse the factors that caused the inversion layer to reach its maximum size. (5 marks)
- (c) In MOSFET operation, both drain voltage, V_D , and gate voltage, V_G , have direct effect on drain current, I_D . Analyse how these two voltages control I_D during device operation. You may show the related electrical parameters to support your analysis. (5 marks)
- Q3** (a) Explain non-rectifying barrier in the perspective of carriers in metal-semiconductor junction. (2 marks)
- (b) Consider a non-rectifying barrier in Al-Ge junction at room temperature. If the temperature drops to 50% of room temperature, determine the ratio of change in contact resistance $\left(\frac{R_{C(new)}}{R_C}\right)$ in percentage. Given the doping concentration is 10^{16} cm^{-3} . (10 marks)
- (c) Analyse relative change both the depletion region width, W , and built-in potential, ψ_{bi} , if Al-Ge junction is being replace with Al-Si junction. You may use the appropriate diagram to support your analysis. (6 marks)
- (d) Analyse the effect on the electron-hole diffusion current ratio (J_n/J_p) if the energy bandgap is quadrupled. Assume other parameters are unchanged. (6 marks)

- Q4** (a) Explain how the conducting channel is created in MODFET device. (2 marks)
- (b) Determine the transconductance of a square n -type Si MESFET with Ti gate, given the doping concentration, $N_D = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and epitaxial layer width, $a = 100 \text{ nm}$. Assume that the gate voltage, $V_G = 0 \text{ V}$. (10 marks)
- (c) Analyse how the pinch-off point is achieved in a depletion mode JFET and the reason drain voltage unable to control drain current beyond the pinch-off point. (6 marks)
- (d) Analyse **ONE (1)** contributing factor that caused deterioration of transconductance in depletion mode JFET as the magnitude of gate voltage is increased. (5 marks)
- Q5** (a) Explain **ONE (1)** purpose of having low doping concentration of n_1 region in a thyristor. (2 marks)
- (b) Determine the punchthrough voltage, V_{PT} , for Si thyristor given doping concentration, N_{n1} and width, W_{n1} , of n_1 region are 10^{14} cm^{-3} and $25 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$, respectively. Assuming that there are three times larger N_{n1} in Ge thyristor, estimate W_{n1} required to produce similar V_{PT} . (10 marks)
- (c) To achieve forward conduction in thyristor operation, two conditions must be met: anode-cathode voltage is positive ($V_{AK} > 0$) and gate current is present ($I_g > 0$). Analyse possibility of achieving forward conduction if I_g is missing. (6 marks)
- (d) Referring to DMOS structure in **Figure Q5(d)**, analyse the importance of having lightly doped region, n^- , in its structure. (5 marks)

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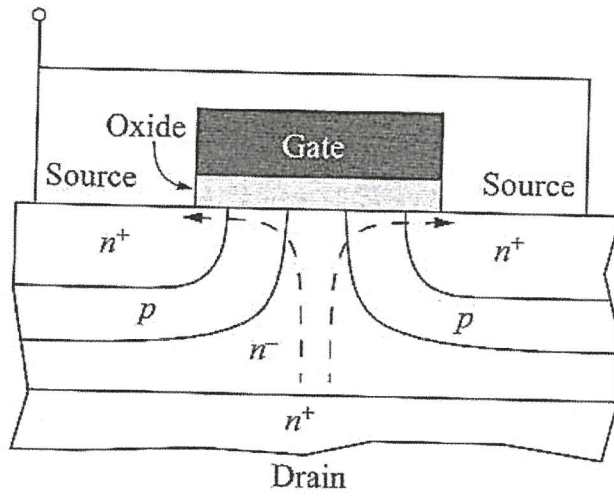


Figure Q5(d)

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Table 1
Physical constants

Boltzmann's constant	$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$ $= 8.62 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/K}$
Electronic charge (magnitude)	$q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Free electron rest mass	$m_0 = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Permeability of free space	$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$
Permittivity of free space	$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F/cm}$ $= 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$
Planck's constant	$h = 6.625 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J-s}$ $= 4.135 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV-s}$
Modified Planck's constant	$\hbar = 1.054 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J-s}$
Proton rest mass	$M = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Speed of light in vacuum	$c = 2.98 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm/s}$
Thermal voltage ($T = 300 \text{ K}$)	$V_t = kT/q = 0.0259 \text{ V}$

Table 2
Work function of selected metals

Metal	Work function (V)
Silver (Ag)	4.26
Aluminum (Al)	4.28
Gold (Au)	5.10
Titanium (Ti)	4.33
Tungsten (W)	4.55

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Table 3
Silicon, Gallium Arsenide and Germanium properties ($T = 300$ K)

Property	Si	GaAs	Ge
Atoms (cm^{-3})	5.0×10^{22}	4.42×10^{22}	4.42×10^{22}
Atomic weight	28.09	144.63	72.60
Density (g/cm^{-3})	2.33	5.32	5.33
Lattice constant (\AA)	5.43	5.65	5.65
Melting point ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	1415	1238	937
Dielectric constant	11.7	13.1	16.0
Bandgap energy (eV)	1.12	1.42	0.66
Electron affinity, χ (volts)	4.01	4.07	4.13
Effective density of states in conduction band, N_c (cm^{-3})	2.8×10^{19}	4.7×10^{17}	1.04×10^{19}
Effective density of states in valence band, N_v (cm^{-3})	1.04×10^{19}	7.0×10^{18}	6.0×10^{18}
Intrinsic carrier concentration (cm^{-3})	1.5×10^{10}	1.8×10^6	2.4×10^{13}
Mobility ($\text{cm}^2/\text{V-s}$)			
Electron, μ_n	1350	8500	3900
Hole, μ_p	480	400	1900
Effective mass (density of states)			
Electrons ($\frac{m_n^*}{m_0}$)	1.08	0.067	0.55
Holes ($\frac{m_p^*}{m_0}$)	0.56	0.48	0.37

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Table 4
List of formula

Bipolar Transistors

1. $i_C = eD_n A_{BE} \frac{dn_x}{dx} = -\frac{eD_n A_{BE}}{x_B} \cdot n_{B0} \exp\left(\frac{v_{BE}}{V_t}\right)$
2. $i_C = I_S \exp\left(\frac{v_{BE}}{V_t}\right)$
3. $i_{E2} = I_{S2} \exp\left(\frac{v_{BE}}{V_t}\right)$
4. $i_E = i_{E1} + i_{E2} = I_{SE} \exp\left(\frac{v_{BE}}{V_t}\right)$
5. $\frac{i_C}{i_E} = \alpha$
6. $\frac{i_C}{i_B} = \beta$
7. $V_{CC} = I_C R_C + V_{CB} + V_{BE} = V_R + V_{CE}$
8. $V_{CE} = V_{CC} - I_C R_C$
9. $\alpha_0 = \frac{J_C}{J_E} = \frac{J_{nC} + J_G + J_{pC0}}{J_{nE} + J_R + J_{pE}}$
10. $\alpha = \frac{\partial J_C}{\partial J_E} = \frac{J_{nC}}{J_{nE} + J_R + J_{pE}}$
11. $\alpha = \gamma \alpha_T \delta$
12. $\gamma \approx \frac{1}{1 + \frac{N_B}{N_E} \cdot \frac{D_E}{D_B} \cdot \frac{x_B}{x_E}}$
13. $\alpha_T \approx \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x_B}{L_B}\right)^2}$
14. $\delta = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{J_{r0}}{J_{s0}} \exp\left(-\frac{eV_{BE}}{2kT}\right)}$
15. $I_C = g_0(V_{CE} + V_A)$
16. $p_p(0) = p_{p0} = N_A$
17. $n_p(0) = n_{p0} \exp\left(\frac{eV_{BE}}{kT}\right)$
18. $p_p(0)n_p(0) = p_{p0}n_{p0} \exp\left(\frac{eV_{BE}}{kT}\right)$

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19. $x_{dT} = \sqrt{\frac{4\epsilon_s \phi_{fp}}{eN_a}}$
20. $x_d = \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon_s \phi_s}{eN_a}}$
21. $C'(acc) = C_{ox} = \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}}$
22. $\phi_{fp} = V_t \ln\left(\frac{N_a}{n_i}\right)$
22. $C'(min) = \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox} + \left(\frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{\epsilon_s}\right) x_{dT}}$
24. $C'(depl) = \frac{C_{ox}}{1 + \frac{C_{ox}}{C_{SD}}} = \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox} + \left(\frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{\epsilon_s}\right) x_d}$
25. $C'(inv) = C_{ox} = \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}}$
26. $V_{DS(sat)} = V_G - V_T$
27. $I_D = \frac{W\mu_n C_{ox}}{2L} [2(V_G - V_T)V_{DS} - V_{DS}^2]$
28. $I_D = \frac{W\mu_n C_{ox}}{2L} (V_G - V_T)^2$
29. $g_{mL} = \frac{W\mu_n C_{ox}}{L} (V_{DS})$
30. $g_{ms} = \frac{W\mu_n C_{ox}}{L} (V_G - V_T)$

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Table 4
List of formula (Cont..)

Schottky barrier

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| 31. $q\phi_{Bn0} = q(\phi_m - \chi)$ | 32. $q\phi_{Bp0} = E_g - q(\phi_m - \chi)$ |
| 33. $q\psi_{bi} = q(\phi_{Bn0} - \phi_n)$ | 34. $Q_{sc} = qN_D W_D = \sqrt{2q\epsilon_s N_D \psi_{bi}}$ |
| 35. $ E_{\max} = \frac{qN_D x_n}{\epsilon_s}$ | 36. $x_n = \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon_s \psi_{bi}}{qN_D}}$ |
| 37. $J = \left[A^* T^2 \exp\left(-\frac{e\phi_{Bn0}}{kT}\right) \right] \left[\exp\left(\frac{eV_F}{kT}\right) - 1 \right]$ | 38. $J = J_{sT} \left[\exp\left(\frac{eV_F}{kT}\right) - 1 \right]$ |
| 39. $Q_{ss} = -qD_{it}(E_g - q\phi_0 - q\phi_{Bn0})$ | 40. $Q_M = -(Q_{ss} + Q_{sc})$ |
| 41. $Q_{sc} = \sqrt{2q\epsilon_s N_D \left(\phi_{Bn0} - \phi_n - \frac{kT}{q} \right)}$ | 42. $\Delta = \phi_m - (\chi + \phi_{Bn0}) = -\frac{\delta Q_M}{\epsilon_i}$ |

Ohmic contact

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| 43. $\phi_{Bn} = \phi_n$ | 44. $J_i \propto \exp\left(-\frac{q\phi_{Bn}}{E_{00}}\right)$ |
| 45. $E_{00} = \frac{e\hbar}{2} \sqrt{\frac{N_d}{\epsilon_s m_n^*}}$ | 46. $R_C = \frac{k}{A^* T q} \exp\left(\frac{q\phi_{Bn}}{kT}\right)$ |
| 47. $R_C = \frac{\left(\frac{kT}{q}\right) \exp\left(\frac{q\phi_{Bn}}{kT}\right)}{A^* T^2}$ | 48. $R = \frac{R_C}{A}$ |

Heterojunction

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| 49. $\psi_{bi} = \phi_{m1} - \phi_{m2} $ | 50. $W_{D1} = \sqrt{\frac{2N_2 \epsilon_{s1} \epsilon_{s2} (\psi_{bi} - V)}{qN_1 (\epsilon_{s1} N_1 + \epsilon_{s2} N_2)}}$ |
| 51. $W_{D2} = \sqrt{\frac{2N_1 \epsilon_{s1} \epsilon_{s2} (\psi_{bi} - V)}{qN_2 (\epsilon_{s1} N_1 + \epsilon_{s2} N_2)}}$ | 52. $C_D = \sqrt{\frac{qN_1 N_2 \epsilon_{s1} \epsilon_{s2}}{2(\epsilon_{s1} N_1 + \epsilon_{s2} N_2) (\psi_{bi} - V)}}$ |
| 52. $J_n = \frac{qD_{n2} n_{i2}^2}{L_{n2} N_2} \left[\exp\left(\frac{qV}{kT}\right) - 1 \right]$ | 54. $J_p = \frac{qD_{p1} n_{i1}^2}{L_{p1} N_1} \left[\exp\left(\frac{qV}{kT}\right) - 1 \right]$ |
| 55. $\frac{J_n}{J_p} \approx \frac{N_1}{N_2} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta E_g}{kT}\right)$ | 56. $J = qN_{D2} \sqrt{\frac{kT}{2\pi m_2^*}} \exp\left(\frac{q\psi_{b2}}{kT}\right) \left[\exp\left(\frac{qV_2}{kT}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-qV_1}{kT}\right) \right]$ |

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JFET

$$57. \quad h = \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon_s(V_{bi} + V_{DS} - V_{GS})}{qN_D}}$$

$$58. \quad I_D = I_P \left[3 \left(\frac{V_{DS}}{V_{p0}} \right) - 2 \left(\frac{V_{DS} + V_{bi} - V_{GS}}{V_{p0}} \right)^{3/2} + 2 \left(\frac{V_{bi} - V_{GS}}{V_{p0}} \right)^{3/2} \right]$$

$$59. \quad V_{p0} = \frac{qa^2 N_d}{2\epsilon_s}$$

$$60. \quad I_P = \frac{\mu_n (qN_d)^2 Wa^3}{6\epsilon_s L}$$

$$61. \quad V_{Dsat} = V_{p0} - (V_{bi} - V_{GS})$$

$$62. \quad I_{Dsat} = I_P \left[1 - 3 \left(\frac{V_{bi} - V_{GS}}{V_{p0}} \right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{V_{bi} - V_{GS}}{V_{p0}}} \right) \right]$$

MESFET

$$63. \quad R = \frac{L}{q\mu_n N_D A}$$

$$64. \quad I_D = \frac{V_D}{R}$$

$$65. \quad I_D = I_P \left[\frac{V_D}{V_p} - \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{V_D + V_G + V_{bi}}{V_p} \right)^{3/2} + \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{V_G + V_{bi}}{V_p} \right)^{3/2} \right]$$

$$66. \quad V_{p0} = \frac{qa^2 N_d}{2\epsilon_s}$$

$$67. \quad I_P = \frac{Z\mu_n q^2 N_D^2 a^3}{2\epsilon_s L}$$

$$68. \quad I_{Dsat} = I_P \left[\frac{1}{3} - \left(\frac{V_G + V_{bi}}{V_{p0}} \right) + \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{V_G + V_{bi}}{V_{p0}} \right)^{3/2} \right]$$

$$69. \quad V_{Dsat} = \frac{qN_D a^2}{2\epsilon_s} - V_{bi} - V_G$$

$$70. \quad V_B = V_D + |V_G|$$

$$71. \quad g_m = \frac{I_P V_D}{2V_{p0}^2} \sqrt{\frac{V_{p0}}{V_G + V_{bi}}}, \text{ lin}$$

$$72. \quad g_m = \frac{I_P}{V_{p0}} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{V_G + V_{bi}}{V_{p0}}} \right), \text{ sat}$$

MODFET

$$73. \quad V_{p0} = \frac{qa^2 N_d}{2\epsilon_s}$$

$$74. \quad V_T = \phi_{Bn} - \frac{\Delta E_C}{q} - V_{p0}$$

$$75. \quad I = \frac{Z}{L} \mu_n C_i (V_G - V_T) V_D$$

$$75. \quad V_{Dsat} = V_G - V_T$$

$$77. \quad I_{sat} = \frac{Z\mu_n \epsilon_s}{2L(d_1 + d_0 + \Delta d)} (V_G - V_T)^2$$

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Thyristors

79. $V_B \approx 6.0 \times 10^{13} (N_{n1})^{-0.75}$

80. $V_{PT} = \frac{qN_{n1}W_{n1}^2}{2\epsilon_s}$

81. $V_{BR} = V_B (1 - \alpha_1)^{\frac{1}{n}}$

82. $\alpha_1 = \text{sech}\left(\frac{W}{L_{n1}}\right)$

83. $W = W_{n1} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{V_{AK}}{V_{PT}}}\right)$

84. $I_A = \frac{\alpha_2 I_g + I_{CO1} + I_{CO2}}{1 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}$

85. $V_{BF} = V_B (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^{1/n}$

86. $V_{AK} = V_1 - V_2 + V_3$

87. $J = \frac{qnW_i}{\tau_{eff}}$

88. $\tau_{eff} = \frac{1}{\left(2A_r n^2 + \frac{1}{\tau_{p0} + \tau_{n0}}\right)}$

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