

ECE 5205 Spring 2014 HW#2 2-11-2014 turn in 2-20-2014 during the lecture

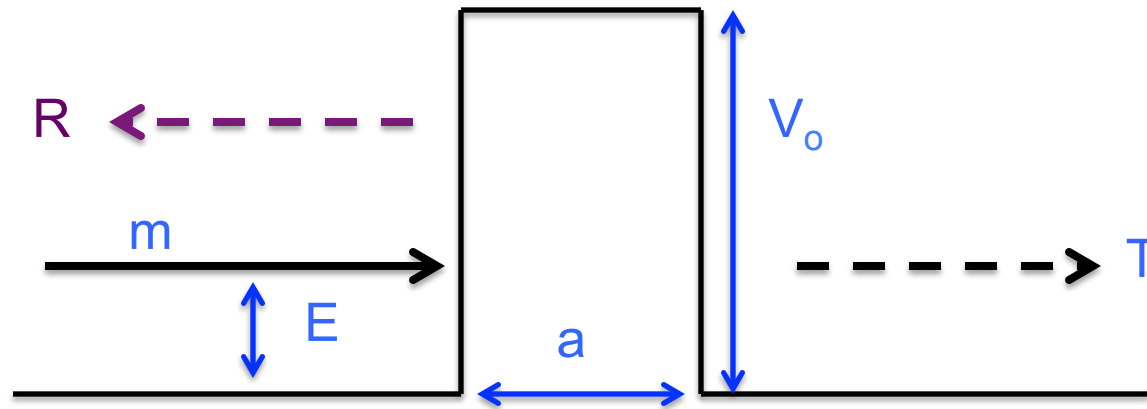
1) Determine the ideal reverse saturation current density in a Si junction at  $T=300\text{K}$ . Consider following parameters:  $N_a=N_d=1\times 10^{16}\text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $n_i=1.5\times 10^{10}\text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $D_n=25\text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$ ,  $D_p=10\text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$ ;  $t_{p0}=t_{n0}=5\times 10^{-7}\text{ sec}$ , and  $\epsilon_r=11.7$ ; What would be the total current if the pn junction cross sectional area were  $A=10^{-4}\text{ cm}^2$ .

2) Potential difference and average electric field in non-uniformly doped semiconductor: Assume that in Si semiconductor the doping is gradually increasing from right to left. At  $x_1=1\mu\text{m}$  the dopant concentration is  $N_1=5\times 10^{15}\text{ cm}^{-3}$  and at  $x_2=2\mu\text{m}$   $N_2=7\times 10^{16}\text{ cm}^{-3}$ . Find what is the potential difference between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ ? What is the average electric field between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ ?

3) Band-to-band tunneling of 10 mA flows across a silicon pn junction of  $10^{-5}\text{ cm}^2$  cross-section. Assume  $N_v=10^{22}\text{ cm}^{-3}$  and  $v_{\text{therm}}=10^7\text{ cm/sec}$ . What is the tunneling probability? What is the electrical field in the junction and what is the width  $L$  of the triangular barrier?

4) The quantum mechanical formula for electron tunneling probability  $T$  to tunnel through a rectangular barrier is given by the formula given below. Assume a mass of a free electron. The barrier height of the barrier is  $V_o=10$  eV. The thickness of the barrier  $a$  is a) 5 nm and b) 1 nm. The kinetic energy of the electron is  $E=7$  eV

- (a) Calculate what is the tunneling probability for  $a=5$  nm and 1nm
- (b) Calculate what is the reflection coefficient  $R$  ( $R=1-T$ ) for  $a=1$  nm
- (c) Calculate the tunneling probability for  $a=1$  nm when the kinetic energy of electron is  $E=3$  eV
- (d) Summarize your observations resulting from these calculations



$$T = T_o \exp(-2\alpha a)$$

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{2m(V_o - E)}{(h / 2\pi)^2}}$$

$$T_o = \frac{16E(V_o - E)}{V_o^2}$$