

THE PN JUNCTION (EDC) ASSIGNMENT-02

Q_01

At the junction of a PN diode

- (A) The space charge region exists predominantly in the heavily doped side of the junction
- (B) The depletion region has an electrostatic potential which makes p side positive with respect to the n side
- (C) Holes are prevented from diffusing from n side to the p side
- (D) The electric field at the junction is of such value to cause the diffusive tendency to be counterbalanced by the drift tendency of electrons and holes

Ans: D

Q_02

In a uniformly doped GaAs junction at $T = 300$ K, at zero bias only 20% of the total space charge region is to be in the p-region. The built in potential concentration in n-region is

- (A) $1 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- (B) $4 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- (C) $1 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- (D) $4 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Ans: A

Q_03

A silicon pn junction at $T = 300$ K with zero applied bias has doping concentration of $N_d = 5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $N_a = 5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. The width of depletion region extending into the n-region is

- (A) $4.11 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}$
- (B) $3.22 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}$
- (C) $4.11 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$
- (D) $3.22 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$

Ans: A



Q_04

When reverse bias is applied to a PN junction

- (A) Majority carriers flow down the potential
- (B) The barrier potential is decreased
- (C) Thermally generated minority carriers are responsible for the saturation current
- (D) Minority carriers are holes from p-side moving to the n-side

Ans: C

Q_05

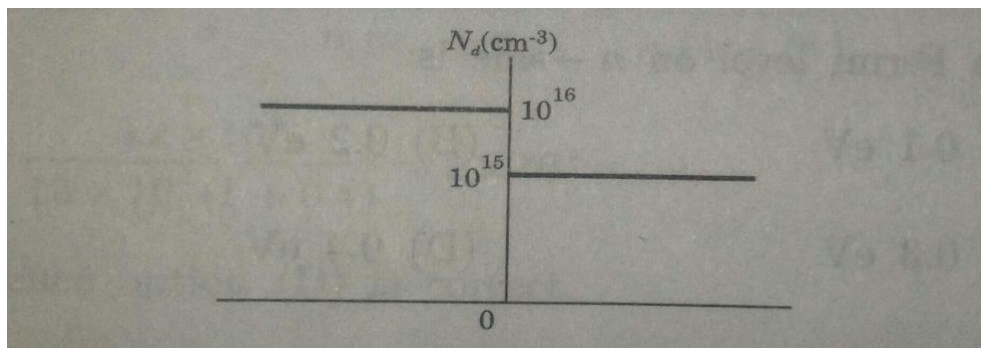
For the above question, in depletion region maximum electric field $|E_{max}|$ is

- (A) 1.1×10^4 V/cm
- (B) 2.2×10^4 V/cm
- (C) 3.2×10^4 V/cm
- (D) 4.1×10^4 V/cm

Ans: C

Q_06

An n - n isotype doping profile is shown below. The built in potential barrier is ($n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$)



- (A) 0.66 V
- (B) 0.06 V
- (C) 0.03 V
- (D) 0.33 V

Ans: B



Q_07

The diffusion capacitance of PN junction

- (A) Decreases with increasing current and increasing temperature
- (B) Decreasing with increasing current and increasing temperature
- (C) Increasing with increasing current and increasing temperature
- (D) Does not depend on current and temperature.

Ans: C

Q_08

A silicon abrupt junction has dopant concentration of $N_d = 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $N_a = 2 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. The applied reverse bias voltage is $V_R = 8 \text{ V}$. The maximum electric field $|E_{max}|$ in depletion region is

- (A) $5.5 \times 10^4 \text{ V/cm}$
- (B) $6.9 \times 10^4 \text{ V/cm}$
- (C) $3.5 \times 10^4 \text{ V/cm}$
- (D) $5 \times 10^4 \text{ V/cm}$

Ans: B

Q_09

In a uniformly doped silicon pn junction has $N_d = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $N_a = 5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. The junction has a cross-sectional area of 10^{-4} cm^2 and has an applied reverse bias voltage of $V_R = 5 \text{ V}$. The total junction capacitance is

- (A) 10 pF
- (B) 5.5 pF
- (C) 7 pF
- (D) 3.5 pF

Ans: D

Q_10

The switching speed of a PN junction (having a heavily doped p-region) depends primarily on

- (A) The mobility of minority carriers in the P+ region
- (B) The life time of minority carriers in the P+ region
- (C) The mobility of minority carriers in the N region
- (D) The life time of minority carriers in the N region

Ans: D

