

TASK 12.2

Limit of MB approximation is when $\varepsilon_F - \varepsilon_a = 3k_B T$.

Ionisation energy of Boron is $\varepsilon_F - \varepsilon_a = 0.045\text{eV}$ (from table on notes)

Assume $\varepsilon_F \approx \varepsilon_{\text{midgap}}$

$$\varepsilon_{Fi} - \varepsilon_F = k_B T \ln \frac{n_0}{n_i}$$

$$= \frac{\varepsilon_g}{2} - (\varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_V) - (\varepsilon_F - \varepsilon_a)$$

$$= 0.56 - 0.045 - 3(0.0259) = 0.437 = 0.0259 \ln \left(\frac{N_a}{n_i} \right)$$

$$N_a = n_i \exp(0.437/0.0259) = 3.2 \times 10^{17} \text{cm}^{-3}$$

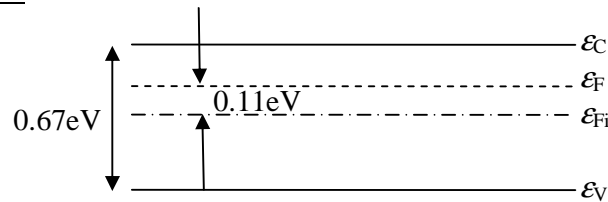
TASK 12.3

(a) $n_i \approx 2.5 \times 10^{13} \text{cm}^{-3}$ at 300K; $N_d = 6 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-3}$ $N_a = 4 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-3}$

\rightarrow n-type with $n = N_d - N_a = 2 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-3}$

$$\varepsilon_F - \varepsilon_{Fi} = k_B T \ln \left(\frac{n_0}{n_i} \right) = 0.0259 \times \ln(2 \times 10^{15} / 2.5 \times 10^{13})$$

$$= 0.11 \text{eV}$$



(b) At 450K, $n_i \approx 6.5 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-3} > N_a - N_d$ therefore we must use the "full" formula:

$$n_0 = \frac{N_d - N_a}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{N_d - N_a}{2} \right)^2 + n_i^2}$$

$$n_0 = 7.6 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-3}; \quad p_0 = n_i^2 / n_0 = 5.6 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-3}$$

TASK 12.4

(a) $f_{FD}(\varepsilon = \varepsilon_C) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[(\varepsilon_C - \varepsilon_F)/k_B T]} = 1.65 \times 10^{-9}$

$$\exp[(\varepsilon_C - \varepsilon_F)/k_B T] \approx (1.65 \times 10^{-9})^{-1} = 6.06 \times 10^8$$

$$\varepsilon_C - \varepsilon_F = k_B T \ln(6.06 \times 10^8) = 0.523 \text{eV}$$

$$\varepsilon_{Fi} - \varepsilon_F = \varepsilon_C - \varepsilon_F - \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_g = 0.193 \text{eV}$$

$$p_0 = n_i \exp[(\varepsilon_{Fi} - \varepsilon_F)/k_B T] = 3.48 \times 10^{16} \text{cm}^{-3}; \quad n_0 = n_i^2 / p_0 = 1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{cm}^{-3}$$

(b) $p_0 = N_a - N_d = N_a/2$

$N_a = 2p_0 = 6.94 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$; $N_d = N_a/2 = 3.48 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(c) $\epsilon_F - \epsilon_{Fi}$ changes with temperature so we cannot use the value from (a).

$n_i(T = 450\text{K}) \approx 6.5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. So

$$p_0 = \frac{N_a - N_d}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{N_a - N_d}{2}\right)^2 + n_i^2}$$

$p_0 = 3.6 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $n_0 = n_i^2/p_0 = 1.4 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

TASK 12.5

450 K. SLIDE 114
 $\Rightarrow n_i \approx 2.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
at 300k

a)

$N_D = 6 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 $N_A = 4 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 \Rightarrow n-type and
 $n = N_D - N_A = 2 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$\epsilon_F - \epsilon_{E_i} = kT \ln \frac{n}{n_i} = 0.02586 \times \ln \frac{2 \times 10^{15}}{2.5 \times 10^{13}} = 0.113 \text{ eV}$

b) At 450 K, $n_i \approx 6.5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ which is larger than our doping densities! So we have to use the "full" formula:

$$n = \frac{N_D - N_A}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{N_D - N_A}{2}\right)^2 + n_i^2}$$

$n = 7.58 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

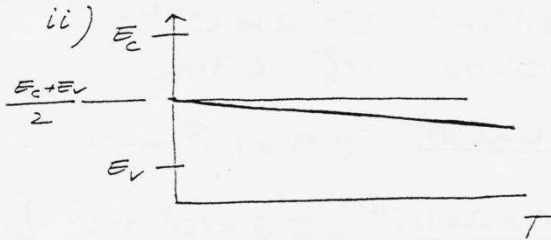
$p = n_i^2/n = 5.58 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

TASK 12.6

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$$n_i^2 = N_c N_v \exp\left(-\frac{E_g}{kT}\right)$$

$$= 10^{19} \cdot 6 \cdot 10^{12} \exp\left(-\frac{660}{25}\right) = 5.67 \cdot 10^{26} \text{ cm}^{-6}$$

$$n_i = 2.38 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

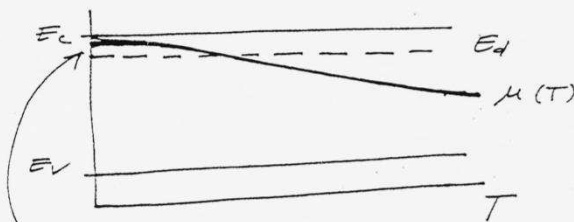


As
$$\mu = \frac{E_c + E_v}{2} + \frac{1}{2} kT \ln \frac{N_v}{N_c} \quad \text{and } N_c > N_v$$

iii) This is a donor. As has 5 valence electrons, 4 will contribute to the covalent bonding with Ge, the 5th will be bound to As⁻ ion.

iv) As $kT > E_i$ all electrons are ionised. The Fermi level lies below E_d .

$$n = N_c \exp\left[\frac{-(E_c - \mu)}{kT}\right] \quad \text{and } n \approx N_d$$
 Hence
$$E_c - \mu = kT \ln \frac{N_c}{N_d} = 25 \ln \frac{10^{19}}{10^{15}} = 239 \text{ meV}$$



$\mu(T=0)$ is above E_d as all the electrons are on donors.