

EE 105, Fall 1999
Midterm #1
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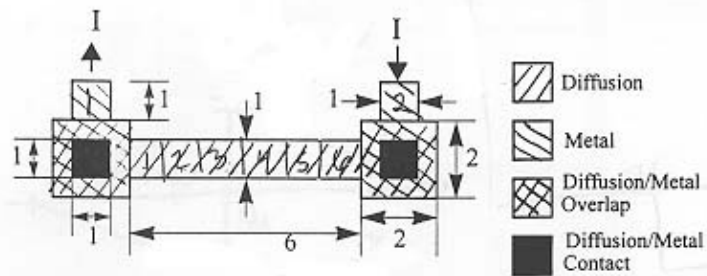
Problem 1 of 3. Answer each question briefly and clearly. (35 points)

What happens to n_i if the temperature increases? Give a brief qualitative explanation (5 pts)

What is the concentration of holes, electrons and positive / negative ions if Si is doped with 10^{17} Boron atoms/cm³, and 10^{19} As atoms/cm³ at room temperature? ($n_i = 10^{10}$) (5 pts)

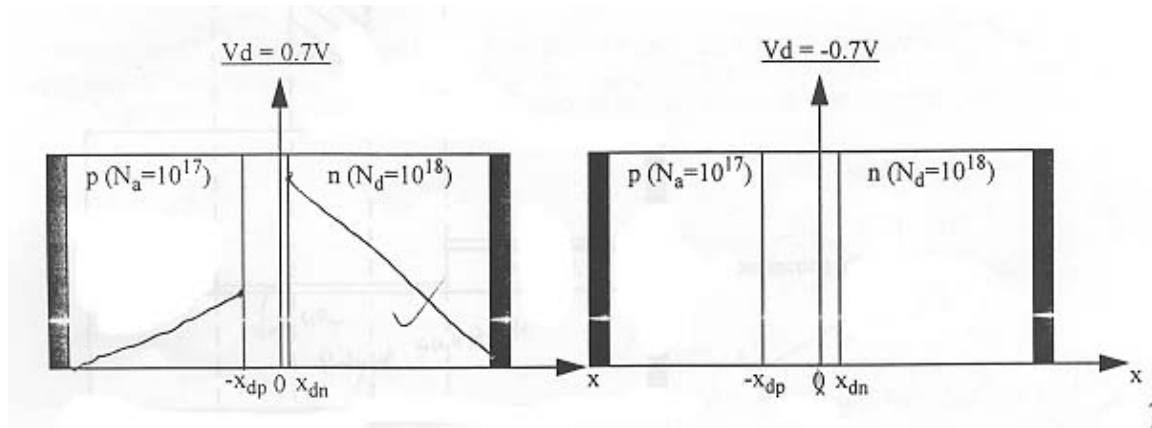
What are the three types of charges in an MOS capacitor under inversion? Mention carrier type (holes or electrons), ion polarity (positive or negative), charge nature (depletion, accumulation, or inversion) and location (gate, substrate surface or bulk). (Gate is n+, bulk is p) (6 pts)

Find the resistance of the following structure (drawn to scale), if the R_{s1} (diffusion) is 20 ohms/square, R_{s2} (metal) is 1 ohm/square and contact hole conductivity (i.e. the area where the two layers touch) is 1 Siemens/ μm^2 . (1 Siemens = 1/Ohm). Assume that "dogbone" contact areas amount to 0.65 squares. (6 pts)



What is the "law" of the junction? (5 pts)

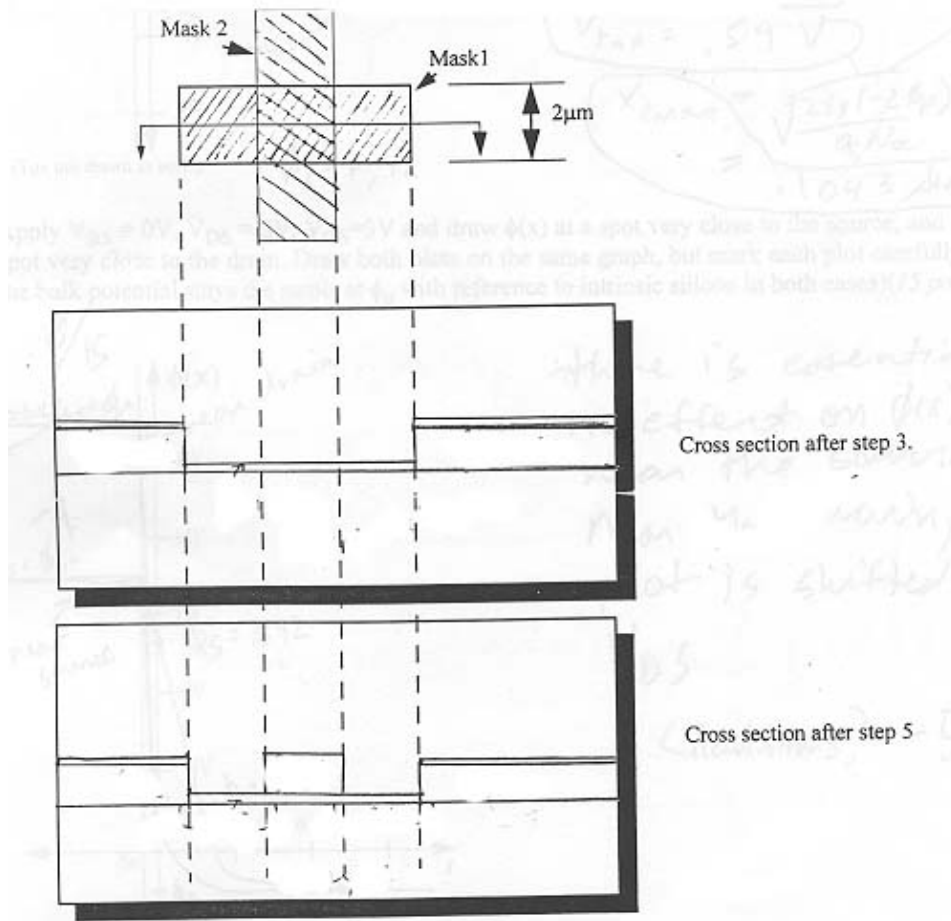
Sketch the minority charge concentration in the bulk of a pn junction under forward bias, and also under reverse bias (no need to calculate the width of the depletion regions - assume that the diode is "short"). (8 pts):



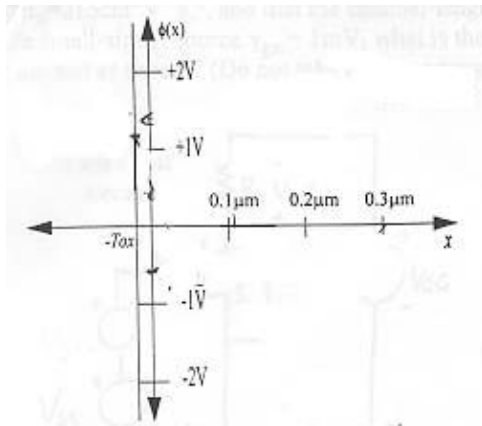
Problem 2 of 3 (40 points)

Follow these steps to create an MOS transistor:

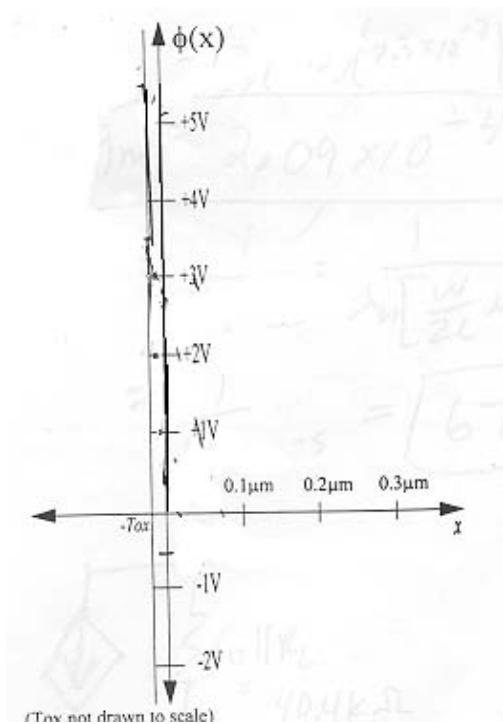
0. Start with p-type $10^{17}/\text{cm}^3$ Boron Substrate.
1. Grow $0.5\mu\text{m}$ of SiO_2 everywhere.
2. Use mask 1 to etch SiO_2 where mask 1 is dark.
3. Grow 15nm SiO_2 everywhere. (draw cross section after this step)
4. Deposit and pattern $0.5\mu\text{m}$ of n+ poly using mask 2 (poly remains where mask 2 is light)
5. Implant n+ regions (to make source and drain) in areas *not* covered by poly (draw cross section after this step).
6. The device is finished by cutting contact holes over source/drain, and by patterning metal (contact hole and metal masks not shown) (10 points).



After the transistor has been completed, apply $V_{DS}=0\text{V}$, V_{BS} , and $V_{GS} = V_{tn0}$ to bring to the *onset of inversion*. Draw $\phi(x)$ (with reference to intrinsic silicon) and X_{dmax} . ($\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F/cm}$, $\epsilon_{ox} = 3.9\epsilon_0$, $\epsilon_{si} = 11.7\epsilon_0$, electron charge is $-1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$)

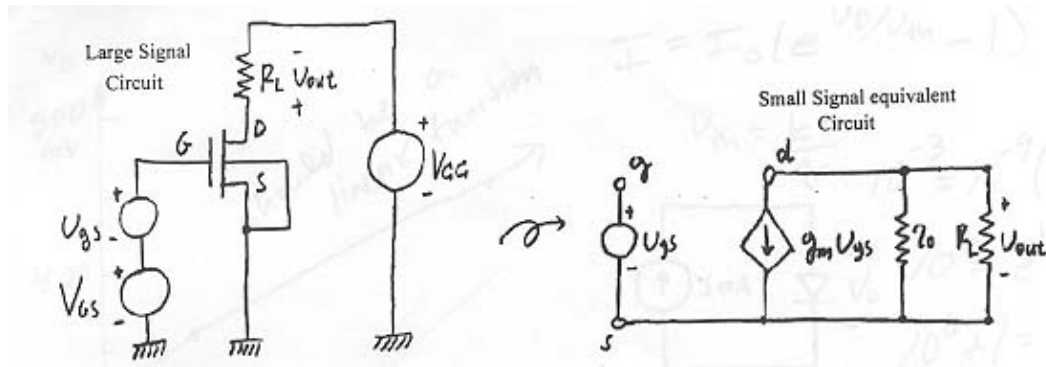


Apply $V_{BS} = 0V$, $V_{DS} = 2V$, $V_{GS} = 3V$ and draw $\phi(x)$ at a spot very close to the source and a spot very close to the drain. Draw both plots on the same graph, but mark each plot with its position (the bulk potential stays the same, at $\phi = 0V$ with reference to the bulk in both cases) (15 points).



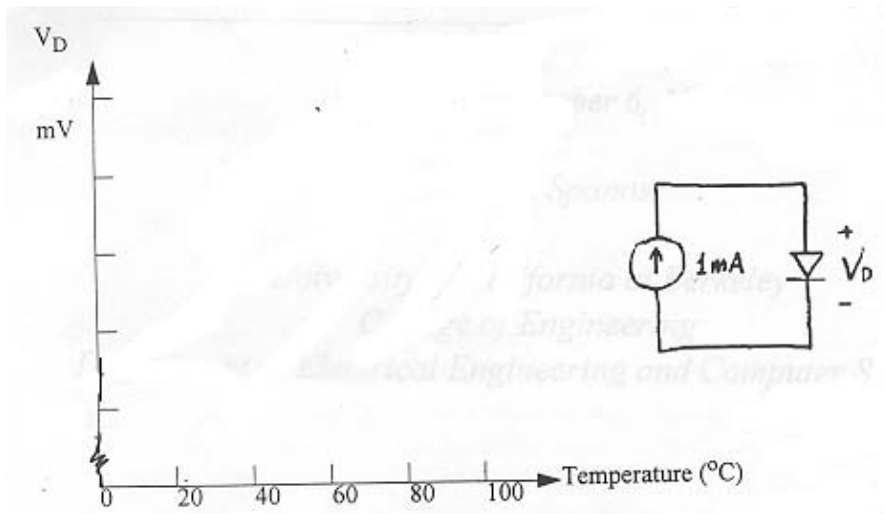
Consider the small signal model for this transistor at $V_{GS}=2V$, $V_{BS}=0V$. The large V_{CC} is such that the transistor is saturated. Calculate the values of g_m and r_o . $\mu_n=215 \text{ cm}^2V^{-1}s^{-1}$, and that the channel-length modulation parameter λ_{ch} is $0.01V^{-1}$. If a small-signal source $v_{gs} = 1mV$, what is the small signal voltage, v_{out} , across R_D ?

connected as shown? (Do not take λ_{dn} into account when you calculate g_m).



Problem 3 of 3 (25 points)

Consider a short pn junction with $I_0 = 10^{-9}$ A. You want to make a thermometer by feeding it with a constant forward current of 10^{-3} A, and by reading the bias of function of temperature will be this voltage? (linear or some other kind?) Calculate values for 0, 25, and 100 degrees C. Graph the relationship between temperature (Boltzman's constant is 1.38×10^{-23} J/K. The absolute zero temperature is at 0 (15 points).



How would a npn BJT be affected by the following parameters (draw up or down and indicate that a parameter increases or decreases, respectively, given an increase in the respective design variable.) (10 points)

Design Variable	β_F	α_F
Emitter Doping		
Emitter Width		
Base Doping		
Base Width		

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