

# Electronic Devices and Circuits (Formula Notes)

**Thermal Voltage:**  $V_T$  (Voltage Equivalent of Temperature)

$$V_T = \frac{T}{11600} \text{ volt}$$

## Leakage Current ( $I_o$ )

- Also called minority carrier current or thermally generated current.
- In silicon it is in nano ampere range and in germanium it is in micro ampere range.
- $I_o$  doubles for every  $10^\circ\text{C}$ . For  $1^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $I_o$  increases by 7%.
- $I_o$  is proportional to the area of the device.
- **Advantages of smaller  $I_o$ :**
  - (i) Suitable for high temperature applications
  - (ii) Good Thermal stability
  - (iii) No false triggering

**Energy Gap:** Difference between the lower energy level of conduction band (CB)  $E_C$  and upper energy level of valance band (VB)  $E_V$  is called as energy gap.

**Metals:** VB and CB are overlap to each other.

- This overlapping increases with temperature.
- $e^-$  is both in CB and VB.

**Insulators:** Conduction band is always empty. Hence no current passes. Band gap: 5 eV – 15 eV.

**Semiconductor:** Energy gap is small and it is in range of 1 eV.

- At room temperature current can pass through a semi conductor.

Energy Gap	Ge	Si	Ga As
$E_{g_{T=0}}$	7.85 eV	1.21 eV	X X
$E_{g_{T=300\text{K}}}$	0.72 eV	1.1 eV	1.47 eV

## Energy gap at temperature T

For Ge  $E_{g(T)} = 0.785 - 7.2 \times 10^{-4} T$

For Si  $E_{g(T)} = 1.21 - 3.6 \times 10^{-4} T$

Energy gap decreases with temperature.

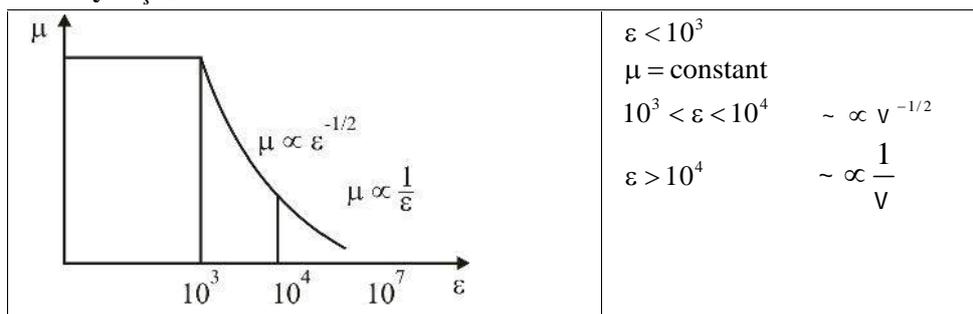
**Temperature Dependence of the energy bandgap ( $E_g$ ):**

$$E_g(T) = E_g(0) - \frac{\alpha T^2}{T + \beta}$$

**Electric Field Intensity**  $v = \frac{-dv \text{ volt}}{dx \text{ meter}}$

**Mobility of charge carriers**  $\mu = \frac{\text{drift velocity}}{\text{electric field intensity}} = \frac{v}{E} \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{sec}}$

## Mobility $V_s$ v curve



**So drift velocity:**  $V_d \propto v$     $V_d \propto v^{1/2}$     $V_d = \text{constant}$

- Mobility indicates how quick is the  $e^-$  or hole moving from one place to another.
- Electron mobility  $>$  hole mobility
- Mobility of charge carriers decreases with the temperature.

$$\boxed{\sim \propto T^{-m}}$$

**Mass Action Law:** In a semi conductor under thermal equilibrium (at constant temperature) the product of electrons and holes in a semiconductor is always constant and equal to the square of intrinsic concentration.

$$[n_o p_o = n_i^2]$$

$n_o \rightarrow$  Concentration of  $e^-$  in conduction band

$P_o \rightarrow$  Concentration of holes in valance band

$n_i \rightarrow$  Intrinsic concentration at given temperature

Majority carrier concentration =  $\frac{n_i^2}{\text{Minority carrier concentration}}$

Intrinsic concentration  $\boxed{n_i^2 = A_o T^3 e^{-\frac{E_g}{2KT}}}$

$n_i$  is a function of temperature and energy gap.

**Einstein's Equation:** Relation between diffusion constant, mobility and thermal voltage.

$$\boxed{\frac{D_n}{\sim_n} = \frac{D_p}{\sim_p} = V_T = KT}$$

$D_n \rightarrow e^-$  diffusion constant

The unit of  $\frac{D}{\mu}$  is volts.

Where,

$D_p \rightarrow$  Hole diffusion constant

**Diffusion and Drift Current:**

**Diffusion Current:** It is defined as migration of charge carriers from higher concentration to lower concentration due to concentration gradient.

**Drift Current:** It is flow of current through the material or device under the influence of voltage or electric field intensity.

Total current density in a semi conductor

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} J & = & J_n & + & J_p \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{(Total current)} & & \text{(Current carried by } e^-) & & \text{(Current carried by holes)} \\ J_n & = & J'_n & + & J''_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{current due to } e^- & & e^- \text{ drift current density} & & e^- \text{ diffusion current density} \end{array}$$

For  $e^-$   $\boxed{J_n = nq\sim_n V + qD_n \frac{dn}{dx} A / cm^2}$

For holes  $\boxed{J_p = pq\sim_p V - qD_p \frac{dp}{dx} A / cm^2}$

$e^-$  diffusion length  $\boxed{L_n = \sqrt{D_n \tau} \text{ cm}}$

Hole diffusion length  $\boxed{L_p = \sqrt{D_p \tau} \text{ cm}}$

## Conductivity

**In Metals:** Metals are uni-polar, so current is carried only by  $e^-$

$$\dagger = nq\sim_n$$

In metal, conductivity decreases with temperature.

**In Semi Conductors**

$$\dagger = nq\sim_n + pq\sim_p$$

$n \rightarrow$  Concentration of  $e^-$  in CB

$e \rightarrow$  Concentration of holes in VB

$\mu_n, \mu_p \rightarrow$  Mobility of holes and electrons

- Conductivity of pure semi-conductor increases with temperature

## In Extrinsic Semi-conductor

For  $n$  type

$$\dagger = N_D q\sim_n$$

$N_D =$  donor concentration

For  $p$  type

$$\dagger = N_A q\sim_p$$

$N_A =$  acceptor concentration

In extrinsic semiconductor (SC) below the room temperature, conductivity increases. But above the room temperature their conductivity decreases.

Periodic Table:

III	IV	V
B	C	N
Al	Si	P
Ga	Ge	As
In	Sn	Sb

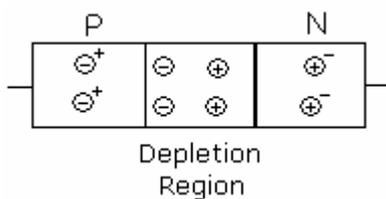
- $e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} C$ ,  $m = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} kg$ , 'F' force on electron in uniform electric field 'E'
- $F = eE$ ; acceleration  $a = \frac{eE}{m}$
- If electron with velocity ' $v$ ' moves in field ' $E$ ' making an angle ' $\theta$ ' can be resolved to  $v \sin \theta, v \cos \theta$ .
- Effect of Magnetic Field 'B' on Electron.
- When B & Q are perpendicular path is circular  $r = \frac{mv}{Be}$ ; Period ' $t$ ' =  $\frac{2\pi m}{Be}$
- When slant with ' $\theta$ ' path is # Helical.
- EQUATIONS OF CRT
- ELECTROSTATIC DEFLECTION SENSITIVITY  $S_e = \frac{lL}{2dV_a}$
- MAGNETIC DEFLECTION SENSITIVITY  $S_m = lL \sqrt{\frac{e}{2mV_a}}$
- Velocity due to voltage V,  $v = \sqrt{\frac{2eV}{m}}$

- When E and B are perpendicular and initial velocity of electron is zero, the path is Cycloidal in plane perpendicular to B & E. Diameter of Cycloid =  $2Q$ , where  $Q = \frac{u}{\omega}$ ,

$$u = \frac{E}{B}, \quad \omega = \frac{Be}{m}$$

- $S_i, G_e$  have 4 electrons in covalent bands. Valency of 4. Doping with trivalent elements makes 'p', Pentavalent elements makes 'n' semiconductor.
- Conductivity  $\sigma = e(n\mu_n + p\mu_p)$  where  $n, p$  are concentrations of Dopants.

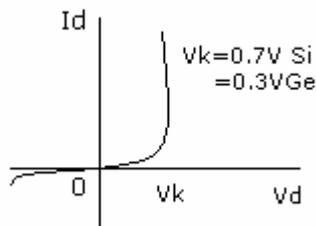
$\mu_n$  &  $\mu_p$  are mobility's of electron and hole respectively.



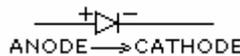
Diode equation

$$I_d = I_s \left( e^{V_d/nV_T} - 1 \right)$$

$$V_T = \frac{kT}{q}; \quad K = \text{Boltzman Constant}$$



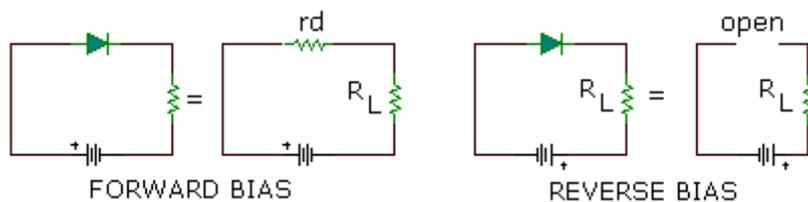
$$r_d = \frac{\Delta V_d}{\Delta I_d} = \frac{V_T}{I}; \quad V_o = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \left( \frac{N_A N_P}{n_i^2} \right)$$



$$T = 0^\circ C + 273; \quad q = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} C$$

➤ Diode drop changes @  $2.2 \text{ mV}/^\circ C$ ,

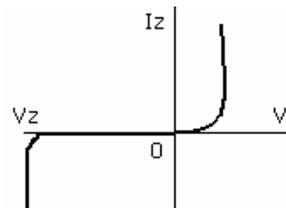
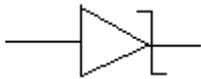
Leakage current  $I_s$  doubles on  $10^\circ C$



➤ Diffusion capacitance is  $c_d = \frac{dq}{dv}$  of forward biased diode it is  $\propto I$

➤ Transition capacitance  $C_T$  is capacitance of reverse biased diode  $\propto V^{-n}$   $n = 1/2$  to  $1/3$

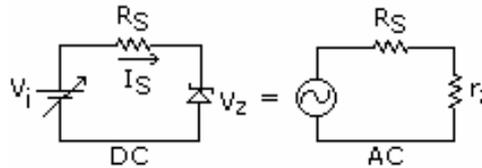
- ZENER DIODE FWD Bias Normal  
 $s_i$  Diode 0.7 V Drop  
 Reverse Bias  
*Zener drop* =  $V_z$  for  $V > V_z$



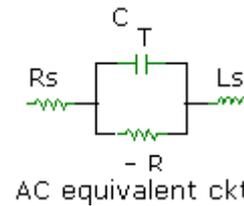
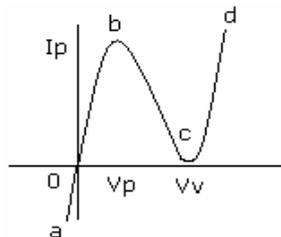
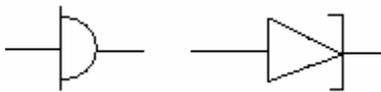
- ZENER REGULATOR

- $I_s = \frac{V_i - V_z}{R_s}; V_i \gg V_z$

- $r_z = \frac{\Delta V_z}{\Delta I_z}$

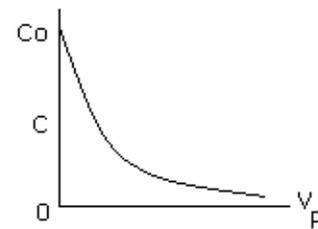
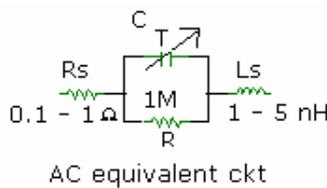
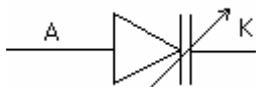


- TUNNEL DIODE



- Conducts in  $f/b, r/b$ , Quantum mechanical tunneling in region a-0-b-c.
- -ve resistance b-c, normal diode c-d.  
 $I_p$  = peak current,  $I_v$  = valley current;  $v_p$  = peak voltage  $\approx 65$  mV,  $v_v$  = valley voltage 0.35 V. Heavy Doping, Narrow Junction, Used for switching & HF oscillators.

- VARACTOR DIODE

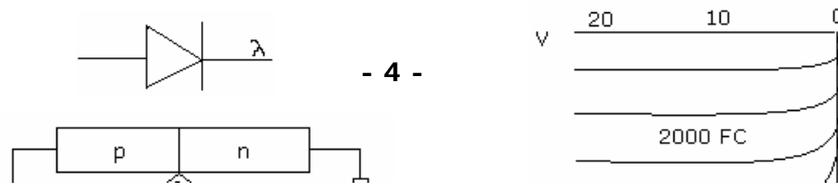


Used in reverse bias & as tuning variable capacitance.

- $C_T = \frac{K}{(V_T + V_R)^n}; n=0.3$  for diffusion,  $n=0.5$  for alloy junction,  $C_T = \frac{C_o}{\left(1 + \frac{V_R}{V_T}\right)^n}$

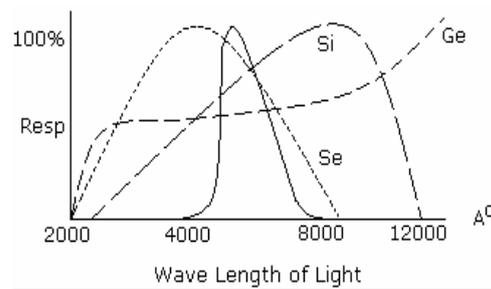
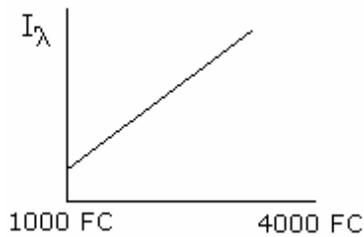
- $\frac{C_B}{C_{25}}$  is figure of merit, Self resonance  $f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L_s C_T}}$

➤ PHOTO DIODES

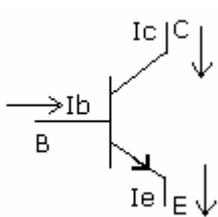
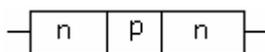


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- Diode used in reverse bias for light detection.
- Different materials have individual peak response to a range of wave lengths.



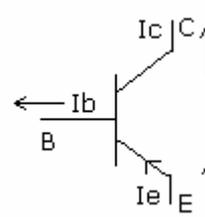
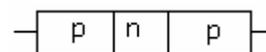
- BJT, Bipolar Junction Transistor has 2 Junctions: BE, BC
- Components of current are  $I_{nE}, I_{pE}$  at EB junction where  $\gamma = \frac{I_{nE}}{I_{nE} + I_{pE}} = \frac{I_{nE}}{I_E}$
- $\gamma$  = Emitter efficiency,  $\beta^* = \frac{I_{nc}}{I_{nE}}$  transportation factor.
- $BE = f/b; BC = r/b$



$$I_e = I_b + I_c$$

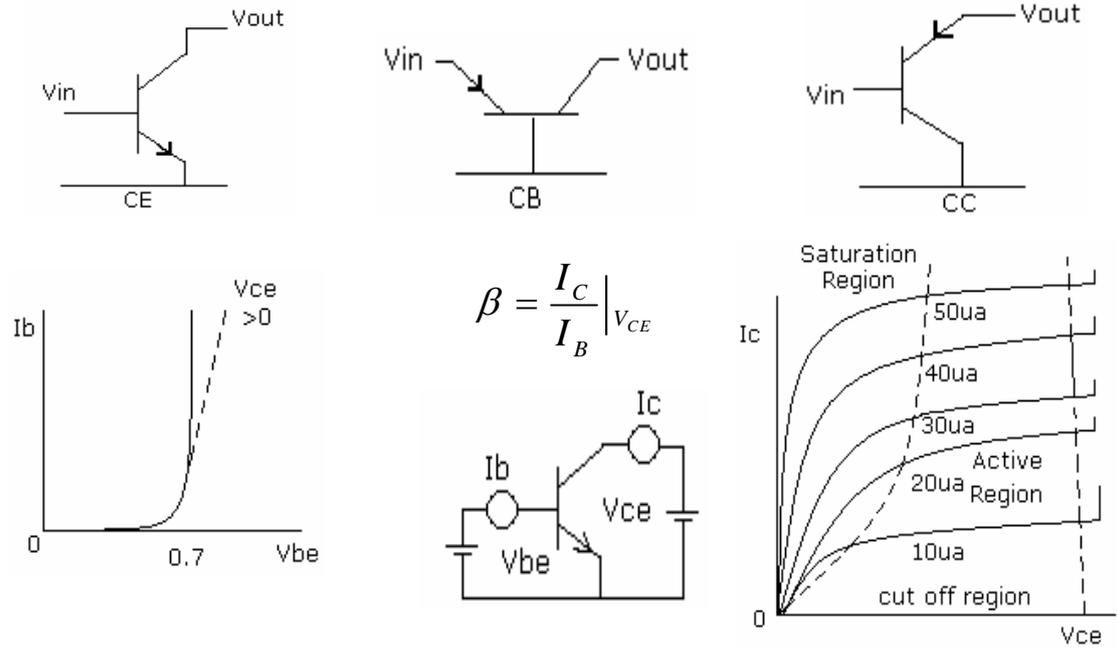
$$\alpha = \frac{I_c}{I_e}; \beta = \frac{I_c}{I_b}$$

Doping Emitter Highest  
Base Lowest  
 $I_e > I_c > I_b$



- Leakage currents :  $I_{CBO}, I_{CEO}, I_{EBO}$
- $I_{CEO} = (1 + \beta) I_{CBO}$

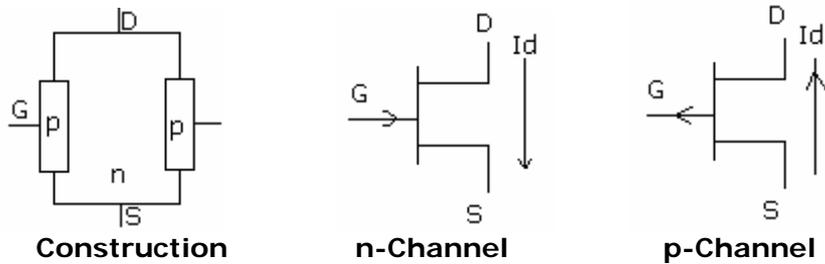
➤ 3 Configurations are used on BJT, CE, CB & CC



COMPARISON		
	BE	BC
SATURATION	f/b	f/b
ACTIVE	f/b	r/b
CUT OFF	r/b	r/b

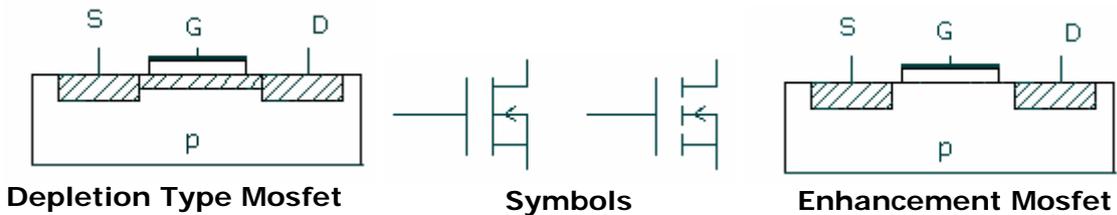
AMPLIFIER COMPARISON			
	CB	CE	CF
$R_i$	LOW	MED	HIGH
$A_i$	$A_i$	$\beta$	$\beta + 1$
$A_v$	High	High	<1
$R_o$	High	High	low

➤ FIELD EFFECT TRANSISTOR, FET is Unipolar Device

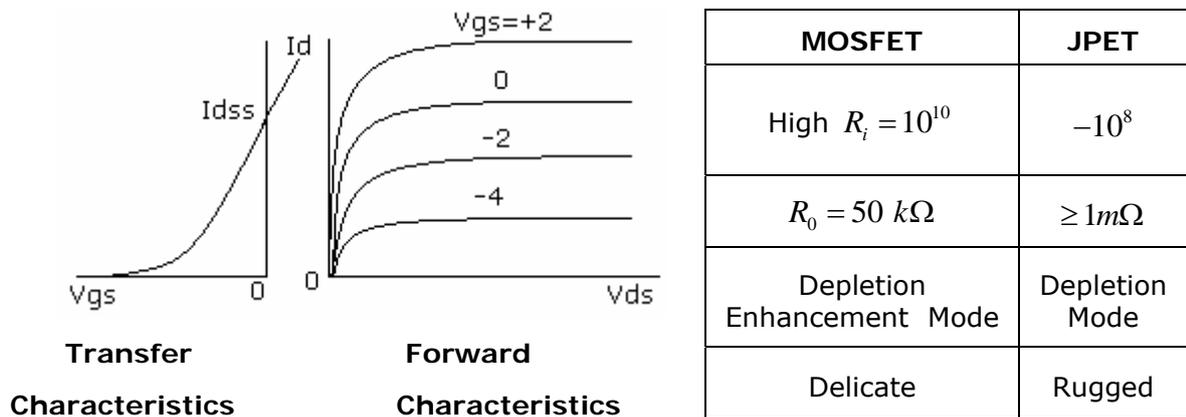


- S=Source, G=Gate, D=Drain
- GS Junction in Reverse Bias Always
- $V_{gs}$  Controls Gate Width

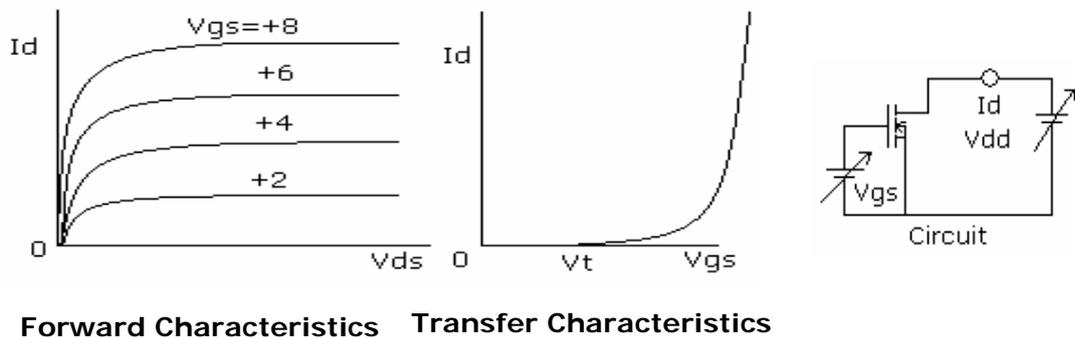
➤ MOSFET: Metal Oxide Semiconductor FET, IGFET



➤ Depletion Type MOSFET can work with  $V_{gs} > 0$  and  $V_{gs} < 0$



➤ Enhancement MOSFET operates with,  $V_{gs} > V_t$ ,  $V_t = \text{Threshold Voltage}$



$$V_{DS(sat)} = V_{GS} - V_T, \quad I_{ds(ON)} = K(V_{GS} - V_T)^2$$

JFET  $I_D$  Table

$V_{gs}$	$I_D$
0	$I_{DSS}$
$0.3 V_P$	$I_{DSS}/2$
$0.5 V_P$	$I_{DSS}/4$
$V_P$	0

COMPARISONS

BJT	FET
Current controlled	Voltage controlled
High gain	Med gain
Bipolar	Unipolar
Temp sensitive	Little effect of T
High GBWP	Low GBWP