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Exam 1

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Physical Constants

Electronic charge	q	$1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Permittivity of vacuum	ϵ_0	$8.845 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F cm}^{-1}$
Relative permittivity of silicon	$\epsilon_{\text{Si}}/\epsilon_0$	11.8
Boltzmann's constant	k	$8.617 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/ K}$ or $1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$
Thermal voltage at $T = 300\text{K}$	kT/q	0.026 V
Effective density of states	N_c	$2.8 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
Effective density of states	N_v	$1.04 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
Intrinsic carrier concentration of Silicon at $T=300\text{K}$	n_i	10^{10} cm^{-3}

Roman numeral
gives valence

	(IA)																		0	
1	1 H	IIA																		2 He
2	3 Li	4 Be										5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne			
3	11 Na	12 Mg	III B	IV B	V B	VI B	VII B	VII			IB	IIB	13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar		
4	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr		
5	37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe		
6	55 Cs	56 Ba	57 *La	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn		
7	87 Fr	88 Ra	89 +Ac	104 Rf	105 Ha	106 Sg	107 Ns	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 110	111 111	112 112	113 113							

Problem 1. True/False (20 pts)

Circle either (T)rue or (F)alse (2 pts each)

- 1) Mixing acid and solvents should be done carefully in the sink area. T / F
- 2) Piranha removes both organic AND metallic contaminants from the wafers T / F
- 3) Partially coherent light improves the resolution of smaller feature sizes for projection lithography as compared to a fully coherent light. T / F
- 4) n-type Si has zero hole concentration T / F
- 5) When a positive photoresist is exposed to light, cross-linking of the polymeric chains is resulted. T / F
- 6) Band-gap of semiconductors increase with temperature T / F
- 7) We can use pyrex glassware to perform HF etching of substrates T / F
- 8) If your skin is brought in contact to HF, then rinse your exposed body part under water for 15 min. T / F
- 9) You wear a gown in the clean room mainly to protect yourself from hazardous and corrosive chemicals. T / F
- 10) For an ideal exposure, contact printing can provide a higher image contrast than the proximity printing. T / F

Problem 2. Introduction to Materials (36 pts)

- a) Suppose we have a piece of silicon doped with Indium at a concentration of $1 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. Is this semiconductor p-type, n-type, or intrinsic? Briefly explain in one sentence. [2 pts]
- b) What are the majority and minority carrier concentrations for the semiconductor in part a? [2 pts]
- c) Find $E_c - E_f$ at $T=300\text{K}$ for the semiconductor in part a. [4 pts]
- d) Find $E_c - E_f$ at $T=1300\text{K}$ for the semiconductor in part a. [4 pts]

e) Now we add Antimony at a concentration of $5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ to the semiconductor in part a. Find $E_c - E_f$ at $T=300\text{K}$. [4 pts]

f) Intrinsic carrier concentration of semiconductors increase with temperature. Briefly explain why that is the case (2 sentences max). [4 pts]

g) Do amorphous and crystalline germanium have the same band gap? Briefly explain (2 sentences max). [4 pts]

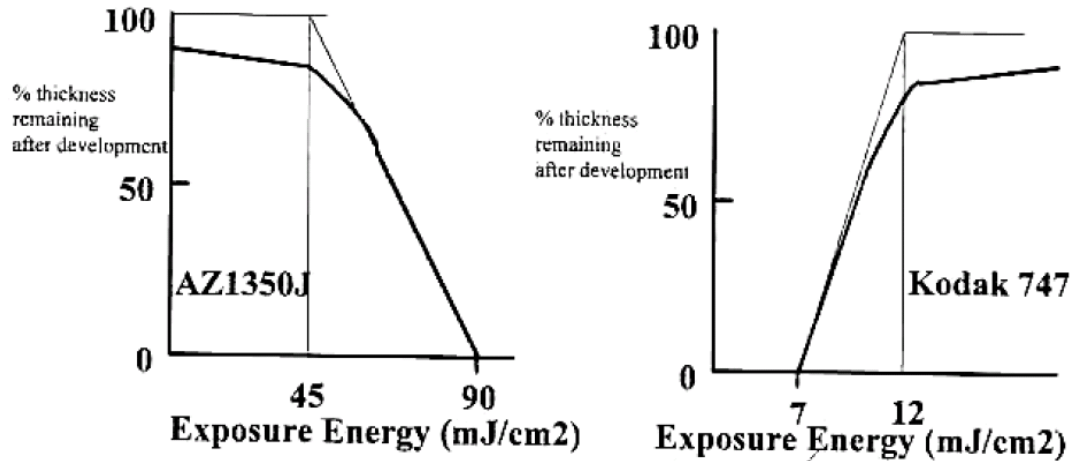
h) Ge ($E_g \sim 0.6$ eV), Si ($E_g \sim 1.1$ eV), and GaAs ($E_g \sim 1.4$) are all popular semiconductor. Which of these materials would be most suitable for an integrated circuit to be placed in an Earth orbit satellite? Briefly explain your answer (2 sentences max) [4 pts]

i) Ge ($E_g \sim 0.6$ eV), Si ($E_g \sim 1.1$ eV), and GaAs ($E_g \sim 1.4$) are all popular semiconductor. Which of these materials would be most suitable for use a visible light emitting diode (LED)? Briefly explain your answer (2 sentences max) [4 pts]

j) Gold is a forbidden material in IC manufacturing. Briefly explain how gold affects the properties of Si. (2 sentences max) [4 pts]

Problem 3. Photolithography (20 pts)

a) The following plots show percentage of resist remaining after exposure and development versus the exposure energy for Resist AZ1350J and Resist Kodak747.



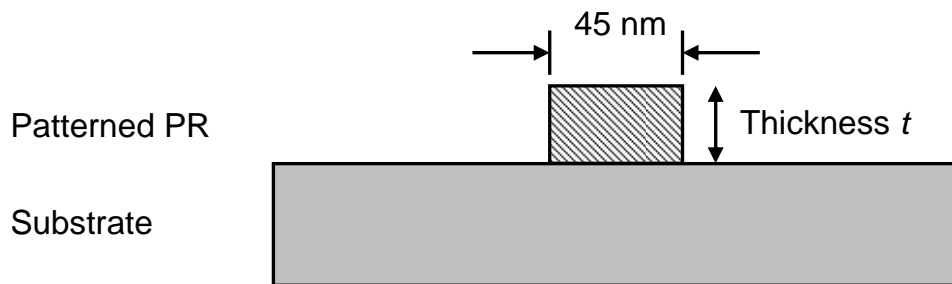
i) Which one of the above resists is a positive resist? [2 pts]

ii) Find the resist contrast for each of the resists. [4 pts]

iii) Which resist has a higher sensitivity? [3 pts]

- iv) A stepper with $\lambda = 365\text{nm}$ and $\text{NA}=0.7$ can produce L_{\min} of $0.3\ \mu\text{m}$ with $\text{DOF} = 0.4\ \mu\text{m}$. If we change to a new stepper with $\lambda = 248\text{nm}$ and $\text{NA}=0.5$, what are the new values for L_{\min} and DOF ? [4 pts]
- v) Optical steppers have to be maintained at a constant temperature for operation. Briefly explain why that is the case (2 sentences max)? [4 pts]
- vi) Describe three techniques one can use to minimize the proximity effect in optical lithography. [3 pts]

Problem 4. Photolithography (24 pts)



The profile above was created using a projection photolithographic method. The light source was an ArF excimer laser at 193nm.

- (a) If the projection system is 10:1, what is the actual width of the mask feature shown in the above figure? [4 pts]
- (b) Calculate the numerical aperture, NA, necessary to produce this patterned feature size. (assume $k_1=0.5$) [4 pts]
- (c) If the half-angle of the maximum cone of light that can enter or exit the objective lens is 70° , what is the index of refraction between the lens and the photoresist? [4 pts]

- (d) Experimentally, how do you achieve the index of refraction of part (c). (1 sentence max) [4 pts]
- (e) Give one major advantage and one disadvantage of having a large NA. Briefly explain (3 sentences max). [4pts]
- (f) Assume you have a perfectly flat surface (meaning the DOF is not relevant). You would like to get the maximum possible resolution by lowering your wavelength. What challenges will you face? [4 pts]