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Closed book. Two sheets of notes are allowed.

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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
Relative permittivity of SiO ₂	$\epsilon_{\text{SiO}_2}/\epsilon_0$	3.9
Ratio of permittivity of Si/SiO ₂	$\epsilon_{\text{Si}}/\epsilon_{\text{SiO}_2}$	3
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	$1.04 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
Electron Affinity of Silicon	χ	4.05 eV
Silicon Band Gap	E_G	1.12 eV

MOSCAP Warmup [20pts]

The energy band diagram for an ideal MOS-C operated with gate oxide thickness $T_{OX}=0.2 \mu\text{m}$ at $T = 300 \text{ K}$ is sketched in the figure below. Note that the applied gate voltage causes band bending in the semiconductor such that $E_F = E_i$ at the Si-SiO₂ interface. Invoke the delta-depletion approximation as required in answering the questions that follow.

[3 pts] Sketch the electrostatic potential (ϕ) inside the semiconductor as a function of position.

[3 pts] Roughly sketch the electric field inside the oxide and semiconductor as a function of position

[2 pts] Do equilibrium conditions prevail *inside the semiconductor*? Explain.

[3 pts] Roughly sketch the electron concentration versus position in the semiconductor.

[3 pts] What is the electron concentration at the Si-SiO₂ interface?

$$n = \text{_____ cm}^{-3}$$

[6 pts] Find the channel doping N_D , surface potential ϕ_S , and gate voltage V_G .

$$N_D = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\phi_S = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ eV}$$

$$V_G = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ V}$$

PN vs MS diodes [25pts]

Consider two devices, one PN junction and one MS junction:

The PN junction has a p-type Si region with $\Phi_p=4.96\text{eV}$ and an N-type region with $\Phi_n=4.13\text{ eV}$, the MS junction has a p-type Si region with $\Phi_p=4.96\text{eV}$ and a metal with $\Phi_M=4.13$. Answer the following questions:

[6 pts] What is V_{bi} for each of these devices?

$$V_{bi}(\text{PN}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$V_{bi}(\text{MS}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

[4 pts] Which of these devices has a higher reverse leakage current? Why?

[6 pts] What is the reverse bias capacitance C_J for each of these devices at $V_A=1\text{V}$?

$$C_J(\text{PN}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$C_J(\text{MS}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

[5 pts] Suppose you used each one of these devices as a photodiode by shining light on the junction. Which one of these devices is more likely to have a higher efficiency (photons in vs. current out?). Why?

MOSCAP C-V curve [25 pts]

All curves you will draw in this question will be graded qualitatively and not quantitatively.

[10 pts] Given below is a low frequency CV curve of a MOSCAP with oxide thickness $T_{\text{ox}} = 10 \text{ nm}$, gate work function $\Phi_{\text{M}} = 4.51 \text{ eV}$, and substrate doping density of $N_{\text{SUB}} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. What type of dopant (donor or acceptor) is used in the silicon substrate? Calculate the ratio of $C_{\text{min}}/C_{\text{ox}}$, V_1 and V_2 .

Dopant Type (Circle one): Donor or Acceptor

$$C_{\text{min}}/C_{\text{ox}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$V_1 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ V}$$

$$V_2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ V}$$

[5pts] Given below is the low frequency C-V curve of a MOSCAP. Draw a second low frequency curve corresponding to the same device, but with a fixed positive oxide charge at the interface of the oxide and the substrate.

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[5 pts] Given below is the low frequency C-V curve of a MOSCAP with metal gate. The work function of the metal is $\Phi_{\text{M}} = 4.05 \text{ eV}$. Redraw the low frequency C-V curve if the gate were made out of P+ Poly instead of metal. (Note: include poly depletion effect).

[5 pts] Given below is the low frequency C-V curve of a MOSCAP with metal gate. The work function of the metal is $\Phi_M = 4.05\text{eV}$. Redraw the low frequency C-V curve if the gate were made out of N+ Poly instead of metal. Assume that the electron affinity for Si is 4.1 eV and the band gap is 1.1 eV. (Note: include poly depletion effect).

4. Schottky Barrier MOSFET [30pts]

In recent years, MOSFET-like structures with metal S/D contacts (rather than heavily doped semiconductor contacts) have received considerable attention due to a number of potential benefits that they offer. These devices are often called Schottky barrier (SB) MOSFETs.

Assume a SB-MOSFET structure as shown below with SB height of 0.3 eV at the source and drain for holes. The body is an n-type Si.

[8 pts] Draw two separate band diagrams for this device from source to drain (along the dashed line), one for the ON-state and the other for the OFF-state for a finite V_{DS} value below the pinch-off. Label E_c , E_v , Φ_B , Fermi (or quasi Fermi) levels, source/drain, and V_{DS} on the two diagrams.

[6 pts] What are the three possible carrier injection mechanisms from the source to the semiconductor? Briefly explain each mechanism.

1.

2.

3.

[3 pts] Redraw the band diagram for the ON-state from part **a)**. On this diagram clearly show and label the three carrier injection mechanisms at the source by using arrows.

[6 pts] Qualitatively draw the $I_{DS}-V_{DS}$ characteristic of this device for an arbitrary gate voltage value where $V_G < V_T$. When plotting the curve, make sure that your maximum V_{DS} is higher than the pinch-off voltage. (Hint: when drawing the I-V curve for this device think how it should be different than a conventional MOSFET with doped contacts)

[7 pts] Fill in the blank cells in the table, using the following symbols: \uparrow for increase, \downarrow for decrease, and \square for no change. If the cell has already been provided with an X it means that you are not responsible for filling that cell out. When moving along a row, consider only the change brought on due to the parameter specified in the first cell of that row. (Note: N_d is the doping density of the Si body, T_{ox} is the oxide thickness, and W_{dep} and C_{dep} are the depletion width and capacitance respectively)

	SB height at source	W_{dep} at source	C_{dep} at drain
$N_d \uparrow$			
$T_{ox} \downarrow$		X	X
SB height at drain \downarrow			

Metal
(drain)

Metal
(source)

oxide

n-type Si body

Gate

