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# EECS 105: FALL 06 — MIDTERM 1

## **SOLUTIONS**

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**Problem 1 (8):**

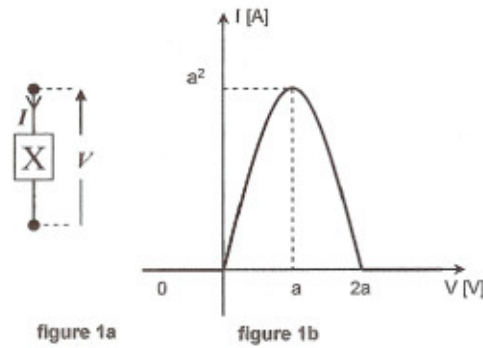
**Problem 2 (12):**

**Problem 3 (10):**

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**PROBLEM 1: Circuit Analysis (8 pts)**

In the lab of EE105, you are given a special device "X", shown in the Figure 1a to analyze large and small signal behavior. Your measurements reveal that the device has the I-V relationship of Figure 1b, which can be expressed as  $I = -(V-a)^2 + a^2$  with  $a = 1$  (for  $0 \leq V \leq 2$ ).



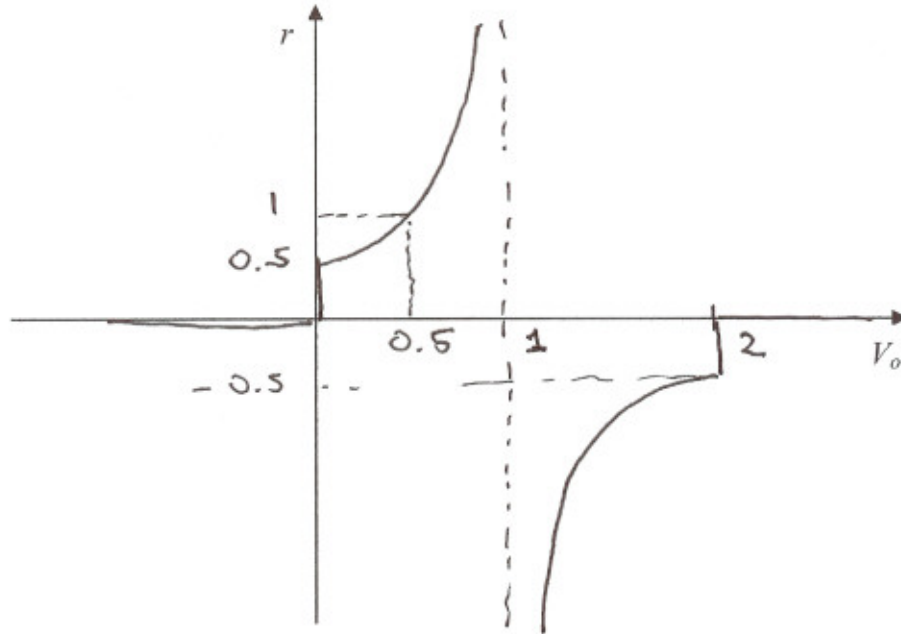
- a. Determine the current  $I_0$  for  $V = V_0 = 0.5V$ . (1 pt)

$$I = 1 - (V-1)^2$$

$$\text{for } V_0 = 0.5V \rightarrow I_0 = 3/4 A$$

$I_0 = 3/4 A$

- b. Draw the small signal resistance  $r$  vs  $V_0$ . Note that  $I = 0[A]$  outside the region  $0[V] \leq V_0 \leq 2a[V]$ . (2 pt)



$$r = 1/g = 1 / \left( \frac{dI}{dV} \right) = \frac{1}{2(1-V_0)}$$

- c. Now you slightly change the voltage from the bias point established in (a), increasing it with  $\Delta v = +0.1\text{V}$ . Using the results from (b), determine the current change  $\Delta i$ . (2pt)

$$\Delta i = \frac{\Delta v}{r} = \frac{0.1\text{V}}{1\Omega} = 0.1\text{A}$$

$$r(V_0 = 0.5) = 1\Omega$$

$\Delta i = 0.1\text{A}$

- d. We now hook up  $X$  between the reference voltage  $V_{DD} = 2\text{[V]}$ , and an input current source  $I_{in} = I_0 + 0.1 \sin(2\pi 1000t)$  as shown in Figure 2 (with  $I_0$  as computed in a). Draw  $V_{out}$  as a function of time. (3 pt)

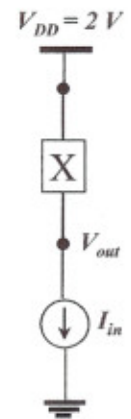
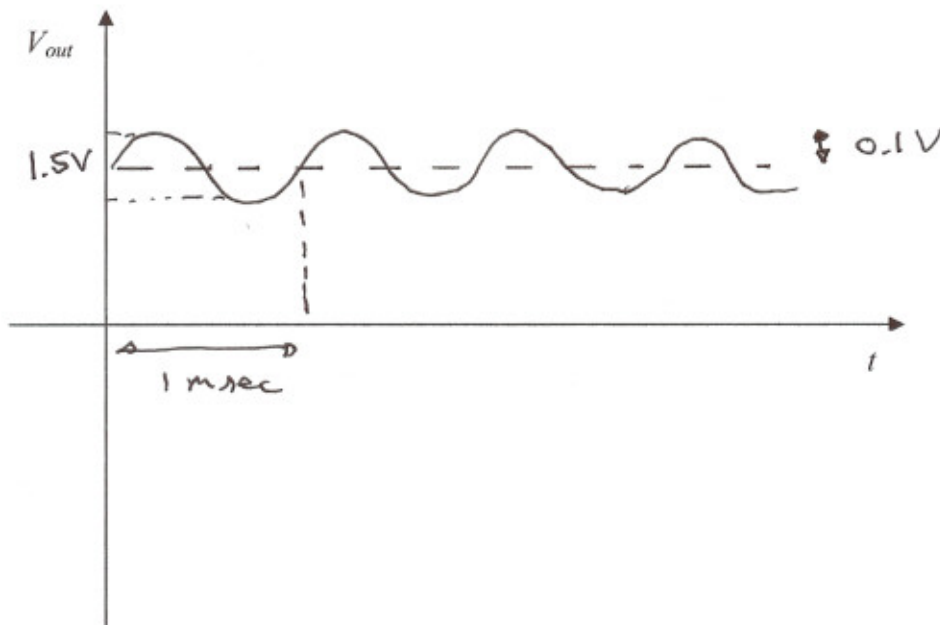
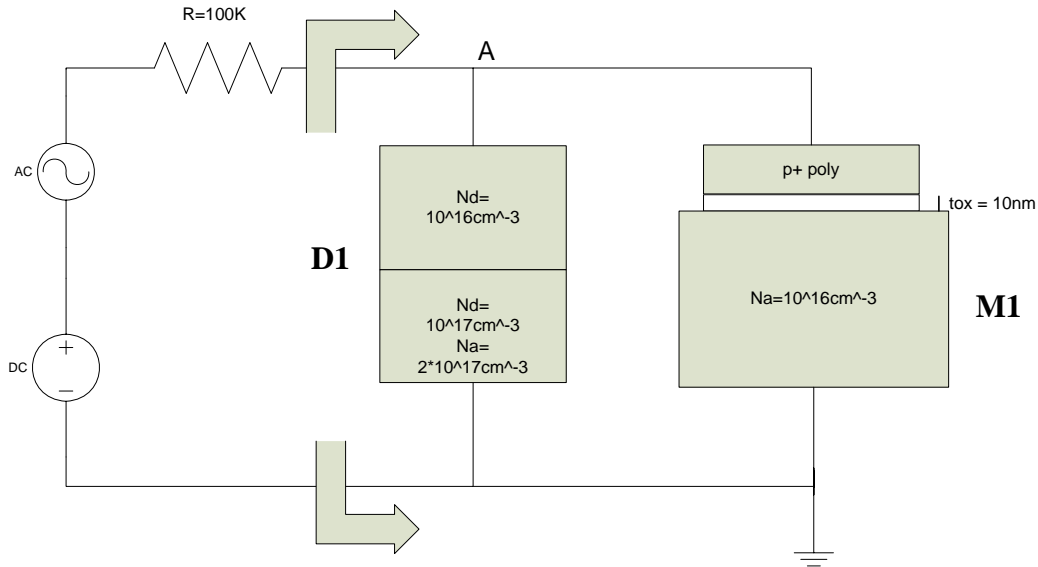


Figure 2



## PROBLEM 2: Diode (12 pts)

Consider the circuit picture in the Figure below. For this problem, you may assume the following values:  $\epsilon_s = 1.035 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ F cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\epsilon_{\text{ox}} = 3.45 \cdot 10^{-13} \text{ F cm}^{-1}$ . Contact potentials should be ignored throughout this question. Also, D1 and M1 are identical in area.



a. The pn-diode D1 has the following doping profile:

p-type material:

$$N_a = 2 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$N_d = 1 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

n-type material:

$$N_d = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Determine the depletion capacitance per unit area of D1 in thermal equilibrium. (2 pts)

$$p_0 = N_a - N_d = 2 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3} - 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3} = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$n_0 = N_d = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\phi_B = \phi_n - \phi_p = (60 \text{ mV} \log(\frac{n_0}{n_i})) - (-60 \text{ mV} \log(\frac{p_0}{n_i})) = 780 \text{ mV}$$

$$X_{d0} = \sqrt{\frac{(2 \cdot \epsilon_s \cdot \phi_B)}{q} \cdot (\frac{1}{p_0} + \frac{1}{n_0})} = 3.33 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$$

$$C_{j0} = \frac{\epsilon_s}{X_{d0}} = \frac{11.7 \cdot 8.85 \cdot 10^{-14} \text{ F/cm}}{3.33 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ cm}} = 3.1 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\text{F}}{\text{cm}^2}$$

b. The second component M1 is a MOSCAP with the following characteristics: Gate = p+ material with  $\phi_{p+} = -550 \text{ mV}$ ;  $t_{ox} = 10 \text{ nm}$ ; substrate is doped with  $N_a = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ; and  $V_T = 1.05 \text{ V}$ . Determine the flatband voltage  $V_{FB}$  of M1. (2pts)

$$\phi_{p+} = -550 \text{ mV}$$

$$\phi_p = 60 \text{ mV} \log\left(\frac{10^{16}}{10^{10}}\right) = 360 \text{ mV}$$

$$\phi_B = -550 \text{ mV} - (-360 \text{ mV}) = -190 \text{ mV}$$

$$V_{fb} = 190 \text{ mV}$$

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c. Determine the minimum and maximum small signal capacitance per unit area of M1. (3 pts)

$$C_{\max} = C_{ox} = \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}} = \frac{3.45 * 10^{-13}}{10 * 10^{-7} \text{ cm}} = 3.45 * 10^{-7} \frac{F}{\text{cm}^2}$$

$$C_{\min} = \frac{C_{ox} * C(V_{th})}{C_{ox} + C(V_{th})}$$

where

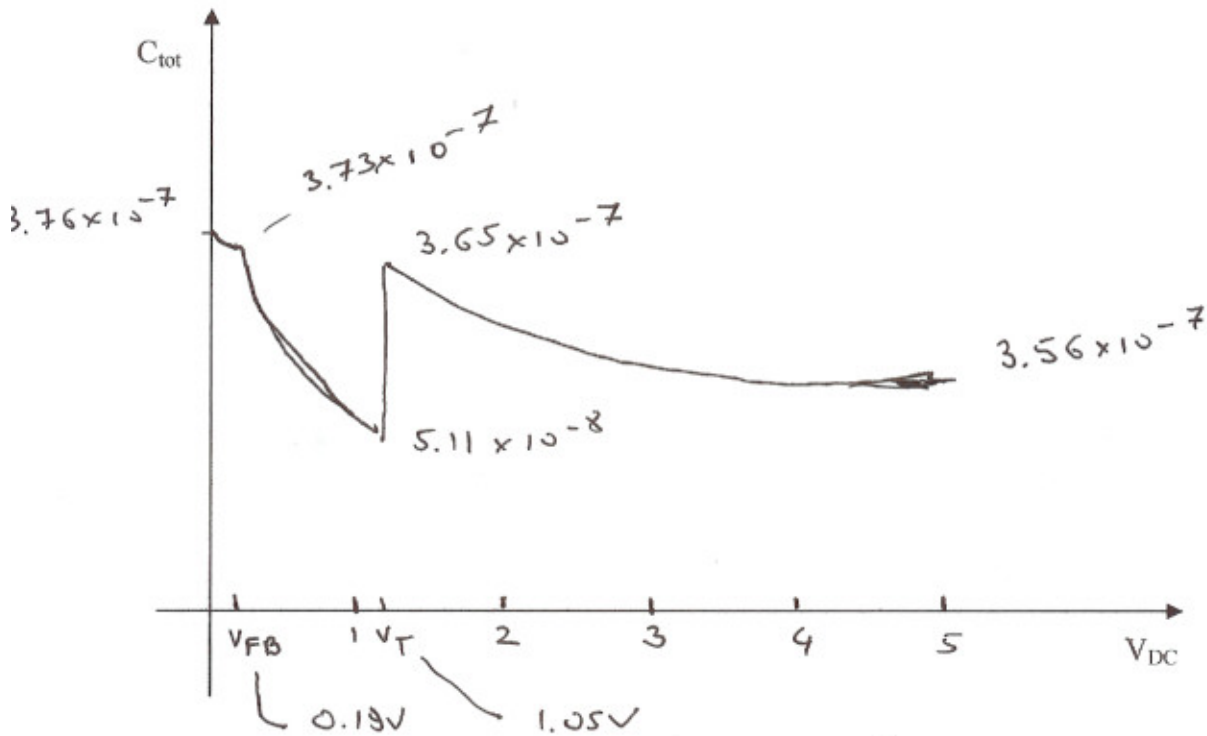
$$C(V_{th}) = \frac{\epsilon_s}{X_d(V_{th})}$$

$$X_d(V_{th}) = \sqrt{\frac{2 * \epsilon_s * (2\phi_p)}{q * N_a}} = 3.05 * 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$$

$$C(V_{th}) = \frac{1.035 * 10^{-12} \text{ F/cm}}{3.05 * 10^{-5} \text{ cm}} = 3.39 * 10^{-8} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

$$C_{\min} = 3.09 * 10^{-8}$$

- d. Plot the total small signal capacitance per unit area as seen between node A and the ground (as indicated by the arrows in the Figure) when sweeping the bias voltage  $V_{DC}$  between 0 and 5 V. Your plot should show the individual components and should include numerical values for the important breakpoints in the graphs. (5 pts)



Parallel connection of two capacitors.

$$V=0 : C = C_0 + C_{ox} = 3.11 \times 10^{-8} + 3.45 \times 10^{-7} = 3.76 \times 10^{-7} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

$$V_{fb} : C_1 = \frac{C_0}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{0.19}{2.78}}} = 2.8 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$C = C_1 + C_{ox} = 3.73 \times 10^{-7} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

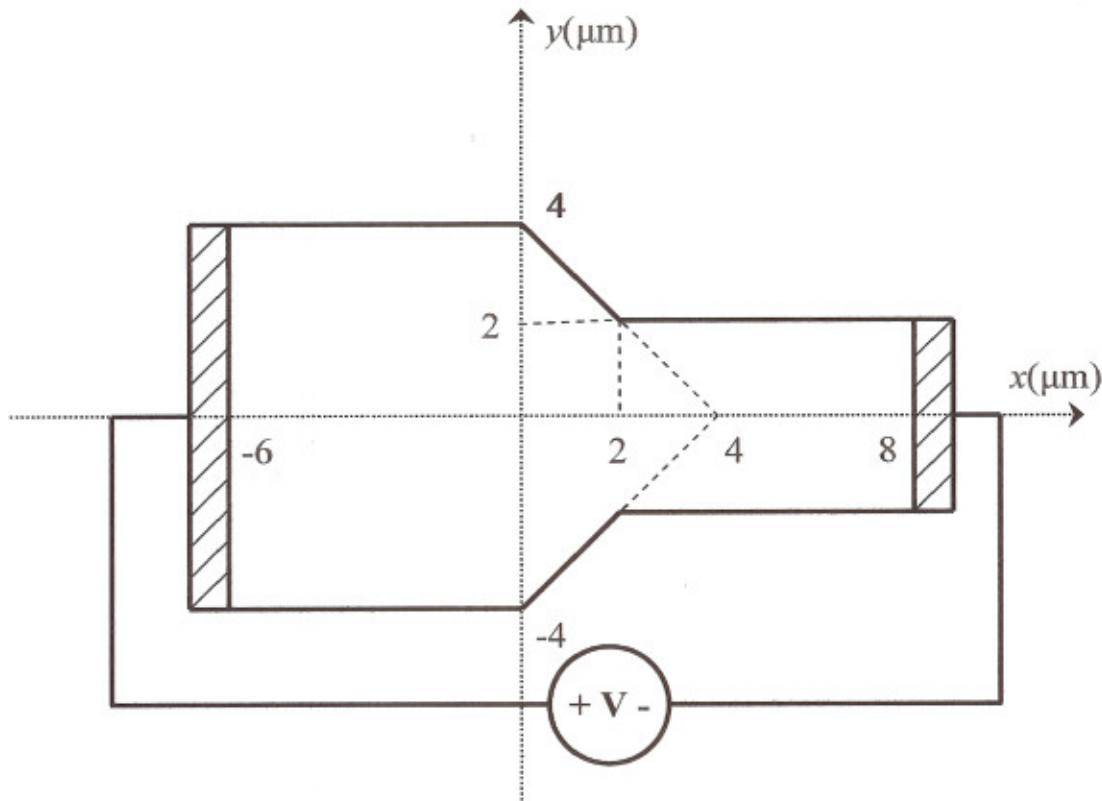
$$V_{th} : C_2 = \frac{C_0}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1.05}{0.78}}} = 2.03 \times 10^{-8} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

$$C = C_{min} + C_2 = 5.11 \times 10^{-8} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

$$5V : C_3 = 1.14 \times 10^{-8} : C = C_3 + C_{ox} = 3.56 \times 10^{-7} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

**PROBLEM 3: Semiconductor Physics (10 pts)**

Given an ion-implanted silicon region with dimension as shown in figure below. The arsenic dose implanted per unit area equals  $Q_d = 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ , and the post-anneal thickness  $t = 1 \mu\text{m}$ . You may ignore the contact potential effect and assume room temperature. Also use Figure 2.8 in the text book to derive mobilities.



- (a) Compute the doping concentration  $N_d$ , and the carrier concentrations  $n_0$  and  $p_0$  under thermal equilibrium. (2 pts)

$$N_d = Q_d / t = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$N_d \gg n_i, n_0 \approx N_d = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\text{Mass-action law, } p_0 = n_i^2 / n_0 = 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$N_d = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
$n_0 = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
$p_0 = 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$



- (b) Viewing the silicon as three regions (-6 to 0, 0 to 2, and 2 to 8  $\mu\text{m}$ ), compute the resistance of each region as well as the total resistance of the strip. (4 pts)

$$R_D = 1 / (q n_d \mu_n t) = 823 \Omega \quad (\mu_n = 760 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs} - \text{from 2.2})$$

$$R_1 = 6/8 R_D = 617 \Omega$$

$$R_3 = 6/4 R_D = 1235 \Omega$$

$$R_2 = R_D \int_0^2 \frac{dx}{y} = R_D \int_0^2 \frac{dx}{-2x+8} = R_D 0.5 \ln 2 = 0.34 R_D = 274 \Omega$$

$\approx$  approx as square

$$R_2 = 2/6 R_D = 274 \Omega$$

$$R_{tot} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

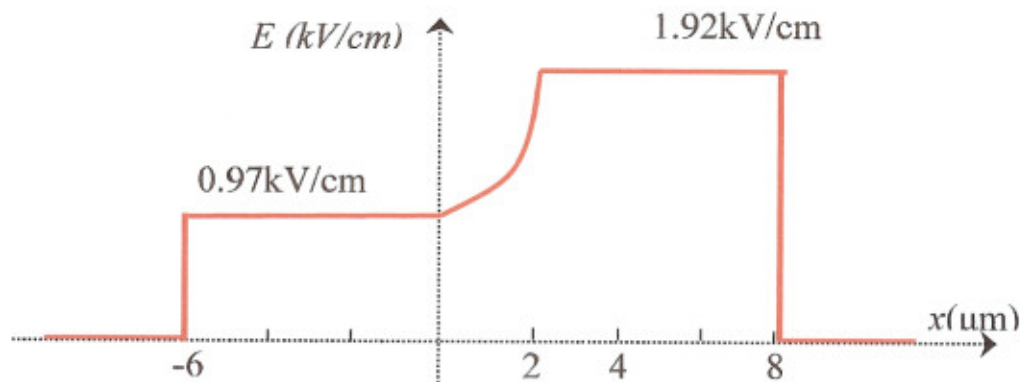
$$R_1 = 617 \Omega$$

$$R_2 = 274 \Omega$$

$$R_3 = 1235 \Omega$$

$$R_{tot} = 2126 \Omega$$

- (c) If  $V = 2\text{V}$ , compute the electric field and sketch it. You may ignore the variation effect along the y-axis. (4 pts)



$$E_1 = \frac{V_1}{L_1} = \frac{V R_1}{R_{tot} L_1} = 967 \text{ V/cm}$$

$$E_3 = \frac{V_3}{L_3} = \frac{V R_3}{R_{tot} L_3} = 1936 \text{ V/cm}$$

$E_2$  gradually changes from  $E_1$  to  $E_3$