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1. a) If a plane has intercepts at  $2a$ ,  $3a$  and  $4a$  along the three Cartesian coordinates, where 'a' is the lattice constant, determine the miller indices of the plane. (3×5)  
b) Explain what the diffusion current is and which way it is flowing for forward bias and reverse bias  $p-n$  junction diode.  
c) What is Pinch-off voltage in a FET? What happens to drain current and gate current at this point?  
d) Bipolar junction transistors are referred as "normally off devices". Explain why?  
e) Find the room temperature ( $300^0\text{K}$ ) resistivity of silicon doped with  $10^{16}$  phosphorous atom/ $\text{cm}^3$ .
  2. a) Derive the expression of carrier concentration in the intrinsic semiconductor. Show that in an intrinsic semiconductor Fermi-level lies close to the middle of the band gap. 8  
b) A hypothetical semiconductor has an intrinsic carrier concentration of  $1.0 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  at 300 K. If the semiconductor is doped with  $N_d = 1 \times 10^{16}$  donors/ $\text{cm}^3$ , what are the equilibrium electron and hole concentrations at 300K? 4  
c) What is Hall-effect? Explain its physical significance 3
  3. a) Derive the ideal diode equation and explain the I-V characteristics of  $p-n$  junction diode. 8  
b) An abrupt Si  $p-n$  junction is doped with  $N_D = 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  and  $N_A = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  at room temperature. Calculate the built-in potential at  $300^0 \text{ K}$  4  
c) Explain the mechanism of Zener breakdown using proper energy band diagrams 3
  4. a) Derive an expression for the collector (or emitter) terminal current for a bipolar junction transistor ( $n-p-n$  or  $p-n-p$ ) in the active mode of operation. 8  
b) A  $p-n-p$  transistor has the following current components:  $I_{Ep} = 4 \text{ mA}$ ,  $I_{En} = 0.01 \text{ mA}$ ,  $I_{Cp} = 3.98 \text{ mA}$ , and  $I_{Cn} = 0.001 \text{ mA}$ . Determine the base transport 4

- factor, the emitter efficiency  $\gamma$ , common base current gain ( $\alpha$ ) and common emitter current gain ( $\beta$ ) for a bipolar junction transistor.
- c) Explain base width modulation. 3
5. a) Derive an expression for drain current of a JFET. When is the channel of a JFET said to be pinched off? 8
- b) A FET operates with a drain current of 100 mA and a gate source bias of negative 1V. Device transconductance is 0.25 mho, determine the change in drain current if the gate source bias is increased to -1.1 V. 4
- c) Give the circuit symbol of enhancement-n-MOSFET, depletion n-MOSFET and n channel JFET. 3
6. a) Explain the phenomena of diffusion of charge carriers in a semiconductor and show that electron current density is given by the following expression 8
- $$J_n = qD_n \frac{dn}{dx}.$$
- b) Explain the difference between an abrupt and linearly graded  $pn$  junction. 4
- c) The Fermi-level in a semiconductor is 0.35 eV above the valence band. What is the probability of non-occupation of an energy state at the top of the valence band, at 400 K? 3
7. a) Draw the equivalent circuit of unijunction transistor. What is intrinsic stand-off ratio? And explain the negative resistance region. 8
- b) What do you understand by Ohmic and Rectifying contacts? 4
- c) What are advantages of using CMOS? 3

Constants	Value
k	$1.38 \times 10^{-23}$ J/K
e	$1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ C
$\epsilon$ (Silicon)	11.9
$\epsilon_0$	$8.854 \times 10^{-14}$ F/cm
$\mu_n$ (Si) at 300K	$1300$ cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs
$\mu_p$ (Si) at 300K	$420$ cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs
$n_i$ (300 K) for Si	$1.45 \times 10^{10}$ cm <sup>-3</sup>