

2011 PHY 330: second problem sheet.

a) i) $\hbar\omega = E_g + \frac{\hbar^2 k_e^2}{2m_e} + \frac{\hbar^2 k_h^2}{2m_h}$; $k_e \approx k_h \equiv k$

$$k = \sqrt{(\hbar\omega - E_g) \cdot \frac{2m_e m_h}{(m_e + m_h)} \cdot \frac{1}{\hbar^2}}$$

ii) $E_g = 0,8 \text{ eV}$; $m_e = 0,014 m_0$; $\hbar\omega = 0,5 \text{ eV}$
 $m_h = 0,18 m_0$

$\hbar\omega = E_g + \frac{\hbar^2 k_e^2}{2m_e} + \frac{\hbar^2 k_h^2}{2m_h}$ $k_e = k_h \equiv k$

$$0,32 \text{ eV} = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m_0} \left(\frac{1}{0,014} + \frac{1}{0,18} \right) = \frac{\hbar^2 \cdot k^2}{2m_0} \cdot (71,42 + 5,55) =$$

$$= 76,97 \cdot \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m_0} \Rightarrow \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m_0} = 0,00415 \text{ eV}$$

Electron kinetic energy $\frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2 \cdot m_0 \cdot 0,014} = \frac{0,00415 \text{ eV}}{0,014} = \underline{\underline{0,296 \text{ eV}}}$

hole kinetic energy $= \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m_0 \cdot 0,18} = \underline{\underline{0,023 \text{ eV}}}$

b) Donor is an impurity atom, ~~sub~~ which has a valency higher than that of atoms in crystal lattice. When donor substitutes one of the atoms in crystal lattice it provides extra electron to conduction band in a semiconductor.

GAAs: donor S, Se, Te if on As site

Si on Ga site

Acceptor C on As site

Zn on Ga site.

$$c) n_e = N_e e^{-\frac{Ed}{kT}}; N_e = 2 \left(\frac{2\pi m_e kT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2}$$

$$n_e = 1,84 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ m}^{-3}; T = 5 \text{ K}; m_e = 0,56 m_0$$

$$N_e =$$

$$kT = 1,38 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot 5$$

$$N_e = 2 \left(\frac{2 \cdot 6,28 \cdot 0,56 \cdot 9,1 \cdot 10^{-31} \cdot 6,9 \cdot 10^{-23}}{(6,62)^2 \cdot 10^{-68}} \right)^{3/2}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left(5 \cdot 10^{14} \right)^{3/2} = 22,6 \cdot 10^{21}$$

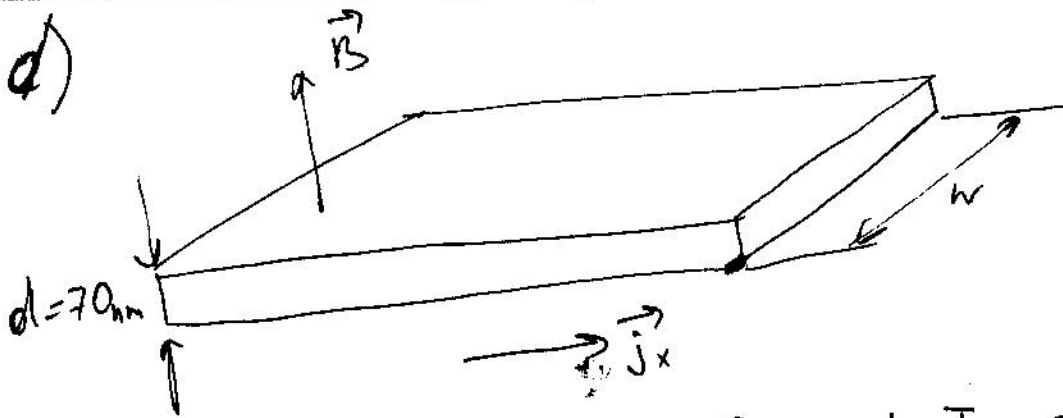
$$\ln \left(\frac{1,84 \cdot 10^{10}}{22,6 \cdot 10^{21}} \right) = - \frac{Ed}{6,9 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ J}}$$

$$= \ln(0,085 \cdot 10^{-11}) = \ln(0,085) - 11 \ln 10 =$$

$$= -2,45 - 25,32 = -27,77:$$

$$Ed = 27,77 \cdot 6,9 \cdot 10^{-23} = 181 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ J} =$$

$$= \frac{181 \cdot 10^{-23}}{1,6 \cdot 10^{-19}} = 113 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ eV} = \underline{\underline{11,9 \text{ meV}}}$$



Hall voltage $V_H = 0,72 \mu\text{V}$; Current $I = 0,7 \text{ mA}$;

current density $j_x = \frac{I}{w \cdot d} = \frac{0,7 \text{ mA}}{70 \text{ nm} \cdot w}$;

Hall field $E_H = \frac{0,72 \mu\text{V}}{w} = R_H \cdot j_x \cdot B = R_H \cdot \frac{0,7 \text{ mA}}{w \cdot 70 \text{ nm}} \cdot 1 \text{ T} \Rightarrow$

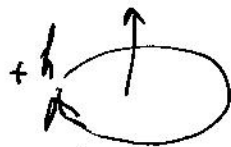
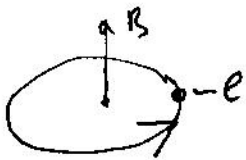
$\Rightarrow R_H = \frac{0,72 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ V} \cdot 70 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}}{0,7 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ A} \cdot 1 \text{ T}} = 72 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{C}} = \underline{\underline{7,2 \cdot 10^{-11} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{C}}}}$

e) $|R_H| = \frac{1}{ne} \Rightarrow n = \frac{1}{R_H \cdot e} = \underline{\underline{0,86 \cdot 10^{28} \text{ m}^{-3}}}$

Cyclotron resonance is observed at frequency

$\omega_c = \frac{eB}{m_e^*} \Rightarrow$ if we know the external field B , we

can obtain electron (or hole) effective mass



electron (hole) move anticlockwise (clockwise) in external B -field.

Therefore σ^+ or σ^- circularly

polarised AC E -field is required. \Rightarrow we can obtain sign of the dominant charge carriers in a sample.

Four resonances are observed in Si because

1) electron dispersion is anisotropic, electron travelling in different directions have different effective mass

2) hole valence band is degenerate consisting of 2 different energy bands described by different masses.

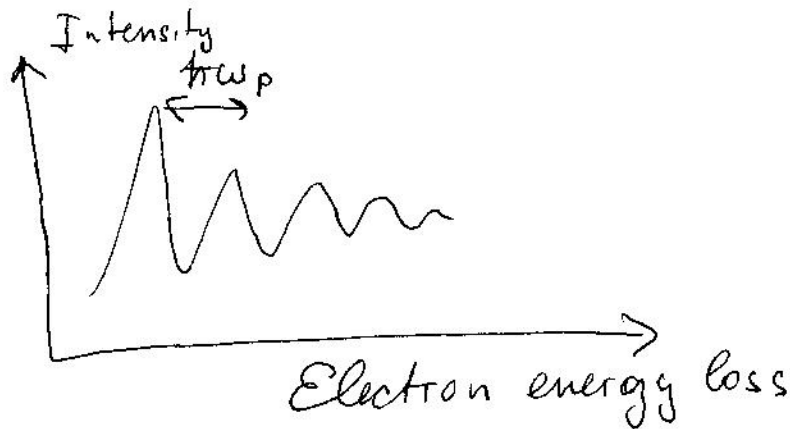
3) A Plasmon is a quant of longitudinal plasma oscillations.

To observe one measures energy loss spectra for electron reflected from metallic films.

$$E_{\text{electron}}^{\text{incident}} = E_{\text{electron}}^{\text{reflected}} + n \cdot \hbar \omega_p$$

energy of plasmon
 $n = 1, 2, \dots$

ω_p - plasma frequency.



g) $E_n = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2 (2\pi)^2}{8 m_e d^2}$; $m_e = 0,066 m_0$
 $d = 140 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}$

$$E_2 - E_1 = (4-1) \cdot \frac{\hbar^2 (2\pi)^2}{8 \cdot m_e d^2} = \frac{3 \hbar^2 (2\pi)^2}{8 \cdot 0,06 m_0 d^2}$$

$$= \left| \begin{array}{l} m_0 = 9,1 \cdot 10^{-31} \text{ kg} \\ \hbar = 6,6 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s} \end{array} \right| = \frac{3 \cdot 6,6^2 \cdot 10^{-68}}{8 \cdot 0,06 \cdot 9,1 \cdot 10^{-31} \cdot (140 \cdot 10^{-10})^2} =$$

$$= \frac{3 \cdot 6,6^2 \cdot 10^{-68}}{8 \cdot 0,06 \cdot 9,1 \cdot (140)^2 \cdot 10^{-51}} = 0,0015 \cdot 10^{-17} \text{ J} =$$

$$= \frac{0,0015 \cdot 10^{-17}}{1,6 \cdot 10^{-19}} = 0,00093 \cdot 10^2 \text{ eV} = 0,093 \text{ eV} = \underline{\underline{93 \text{ meV}}}$$