



FIRST SEMESTER M.TECH. (E & C) DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION

DECEMBER 2018/JANUARY 2019

SUBJECT: VLSI PROCESS TECHNOLOGY (ECE - 5124)

TIME: 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 50

Instructions to candidates

- Answer **ALL** questions.
- Missing data may be suitably assumed.

- 1A. A Si wafer has 10^{16}cm^{-3} of boron is found to have a neutral vacancy concentration of $2 \times 10^{10}\text{cm}^{-3}$ at some processing temperature and a singly ionized vacancy concentration of 10^9cm^{-3} at the same temperature. Determine the temperature and activation energy of charged vacancy with respect to intrinsic level.
- 1B. A melt contains 0.1 atomic percent P in Si. Assume well mixed approximation and calculate dopant concentration when 10% of crystal is pulled, when 50% of the crystal is pulled and 90% of the crystal is pulled. Comment on the result graphically. Given that $k = 0.35$ for P.
- 1C. A mixture of 30% Si and 70% Ge is heated to 1100°C . If the melt is in thermal equilibrium, what is the concentration of Si in the melt? At what temperature will entire charge will melt? The sample temperature is raised to 1300°C , then slowly cooled back down to 1100°C . What is the concentration of Si in the melt?

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- 2A. In delta doping methodology, a monolayer of p-type dopant material (Beryllium) is directly deposited between the gate electrode and GaAs with a surface coverage of $1.5 \times 10^{15}\text{cm}^{-2}$. After gate patterning, the device is annealed at 800°C for 10 minutes to activate the impurity. Assuming that there is no out diffusion, calculate the junction depth if the channel is doped $1 \times 10^{17}\text{cm}^{-3}$. Also calculate the surface concentration of Be under these conditions. Diffusivity of Be at 800°C is $1 \times 10^{-15}\text{cm}^2\text{Sec}^{-1}$.
- 2B. Design a constant dose diffusion of Antimony into p-type Si ($5 \times 10^{16}\text{cm}^{-3}$) that give a surface concentration of $5 \times 10^{18}\text{cm}^{-3}$ and junction depth of $1\mu\text{m}$.
- 2C. How CV technique be utilized to find substrate doping concentration in Schottky contact? What are its limitations?

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- 3A. A 250\AA gate oxide is found to have 15mV temperature bias stress shift. Calculate the number of mobile ions per unit area in the oxide. Discuss various defects & impurities in SiO_2 which can alter the behavior of SiO_2/Si interface. Relative permittivity of silicon dioxide is 3.7.
- 3B. A 1000\AA gate oxide is required for a technology. The oxidation is carried out at 1000°C in dry oxygen. If there is no initial oxide thickness, how long should oxidation be performed.

Comment on the result. Given that $B/A=0.899\mu\text{m}/\text{hour}$ and $B=0.048\mu\text{m}^2/\text{hour}$. Consider the process is carried out in wet oxidation conditions what can be the time of oxidation. Given that $B/A=15.86\mu\text{m}/\text{hour}$ and $B=0.829\mu\text{m}^2/\text{hour}$.

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- 4A. Discuss how the plasma etching and plasma deposition systems differ in an asymmetric RF electrode systems.
- 4B. What is meant by wasted electrons in a sputtering technique? Discuss various high density plasma techniques.
- 4C. Discuss the gas flow dynamics and determine the position of susceptor in the CVD system to fabricate the poly Si on Si substrate.

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- 5A. Describe various wafer cleaning methodologies for epitaxial growth.
- 5B. What are source gases for Si epitaxy for IC fabrication? Justify
- 5C. Discuss the hetero-epitaxial processes

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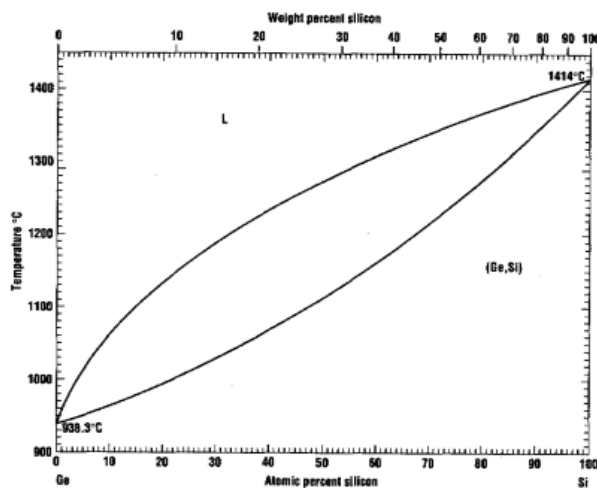


Figure 2.1 Phase diagram of Ge-Si. The dashed lines correspond to a heating process that remains in thermodynamic equilibrium (courtesy of ASM International).

