

To analyse, use Poisson equations

- charge ( $\rho$ ) [ $C/m^3$ ]
- electric field ( $E$ ) [ $V/m$ ]
- potential ( $V$ ) [ $V$ ]

$$\frac{\rho(x)}{\epsilon_r \epsilon_0} = \frac{dE(x)}{dx} = -\frac{d^2V(x)}{dx^2}$$

Maybe just graphically

Electric field (page 3 in book)

or  $(-w_1 < x < 0)$

$$E(x) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \int_{-w_1}^x \rho(x) dx = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \int_{-w_1}^x (q N_D(x) - q n(x) + p(x) - q N_A(x)) dx =$$

const. no free carriers = 0 in N-region

$$= \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} q N_D (x + w_1) \Rightarrow$$

for  $(0 < x < w_2)$

$$E(x) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} q N_D w_1 + \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \int_0^x -q N_A(x) dx = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} (N_D w_1 - N_A \cdot x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{charge neutrality} \\ N_D w_1 = N_A \cdot w_2 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{q}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} N_A (w_2 - x) \Rightarrow$$

max e-field

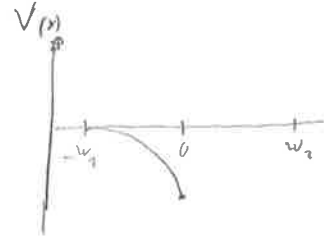
$$E(0) = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} N_D w_1 = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} N_A w_2$$

potential

$$V(x) = - \int E(x) dx$$

(for  $-w_1 \leq x < 0$ ): 
$$V(x) = - \frac{q N_D}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \int_{-w_1}^x (x + w_1) dx = - \frac{q N_D}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} + w_1 x \right]_{-w_1}^x =$$

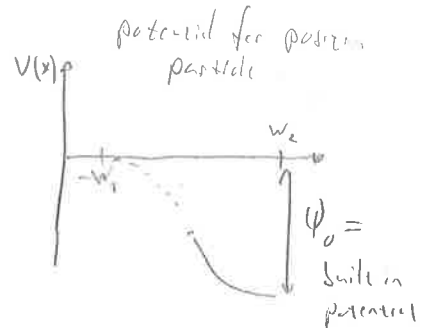
$$= - \frac{q N_D}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \left( \frac{x^2}{2} + w_1 x - \frac{w_1^2}{2} + w_1^2 \right) = - \frac{q N_D}{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} (x + w_1)^2 \Rightarrow$$



(for  $0 < x < w_2$ ) 
$$V(x) = - \frac{q N_D}{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} w_1^2 + \frac{q N_A}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \int_0^x (w_2 - x) dx = - \frac{q N_D}{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} w_1^2 - \frac{q N_A}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \left[ w_2 x - \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^x$$

potential at  $x=0$

$$= - \frac{q N_D}{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} w_1^2 - \frac{q N_A}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \left( w_2 x - \frac{x^2}{2} \right)$$



Built-in potential

$$\psi_0 = V(w_2) - V(-w_1) = - \frac{q N_D}{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} w_1^2 - \frac{q N_A}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \left( w_2^2 - \frac{w_2^2}{2} \right) - 0$$

$$= - \frac{q}{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \left( N_D w_1^2 + N_A w_2^2 \right) = \left\{ w_2 = \frac{N_D w_1}{N_A} \right\} = - \frac{q w_1^2 N_D}{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \left( 1 + \frac{N_D}{N_A} \right)$$

take absolute

Depletion widths ( $w_1, w_2$ )

$$w_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r (\psi_0 + V_{bi})}{q N_D \left( 1 + \frac{N_D}{N_A} \right)}}$$

$$w_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \psi_0}{q N_A \left( 1 + \frac{N_A}{N_D} \right)}}$$

\* depletion region  $\propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{doping}}}$   
\* Can add bias  $(V_A)$   $w \propto \sqrt{V_A}$

$$N_D \gg N_A \rightarrow w_1 \ll w_2$$

short depletion region at lightly doped side

(om det funks til V.V.)  
 Example: Depletion width with Si pn-junction  $N_A = N_D = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$   
 Intrinsic carrier concentration

$$n_i(\text{Si}, 300\text{K}) = \sqrt{N_c N_v} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E_g}{2kT}\right) = 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3} \quad (\text{from lecture 1})$$

Build-in potential

$$\psi_0 = k_B T \left( \ln \left( \frac{10^{17} \cdot 10^{17}}{(10^{10})^2} \right) \right) = 0,025 \cdot \ln(10^{14}) = 0,025 \cdot 32 = 0,806 \text{ V}$$

$$d_{\text{tot}} = 2 \cdot W_1 = 2 \cdot W_2 = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r (\psi_0 - V)}{-q \cdot N_D \left(1 + \frac{N_D}{N_A}\right)}} = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 8,85 \cdot 10^{-14} [\text{F/cm}] \cdot 11,7 \cdot (0,806 - V)}{1,602 \cdot 10^{-19} \cdot 10^{17} \left(1 + \frac{10^{17}}{10^{17}}\right)}}$$

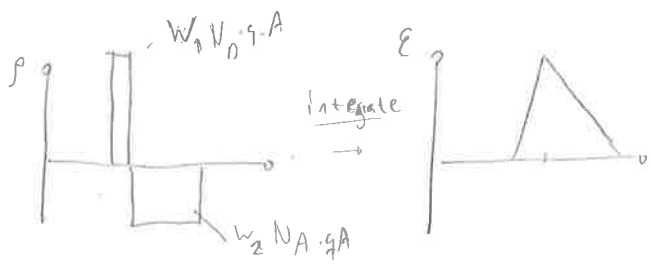
$$= 2 \cdot \sqrt{6,46 \cdot 10^{-11} \cdot (0,806 - V)} \text{ cm} \quad \begin{cases} d_{\text{tot}} = 144 \text{ nm} & V = 0 \\ d_{\text{tot}} = 216 \text{ nm} & V = -1 \text{ V} \end{cases}$$

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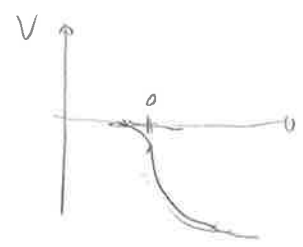
$d_{\text{tot}} \propto \sqrt{-V}$  for forward bias  $V = \psi_0 \Rightarrow d_{\text{tot}} = 0$  i.e. depletion region vanishes!

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built-in pot

min ex: charge / electric field / potential



- integrate



- voltage drops over low-doped part
- depletion region is mainly in p-doped part.

Small signal model

Want to calculate  
when applying  
(includes area)

$$i_D(t) = I_D + i_d(t)$$

Simplified diode:  $I = I_s e^{qV_D/kT}$

$$V_D(t) = V_D + v_d(t)$$

$$i_D(V_D + v_d) = I_s e^{q(V_D + v_d(t))/kT} = \underbrace{I_s e^{qV_D/kT}}_{I_0 = \text{const.}} \cdot e^{qv_d(t)/kT} = I_0 e^{qv_d(t)/kT}$$

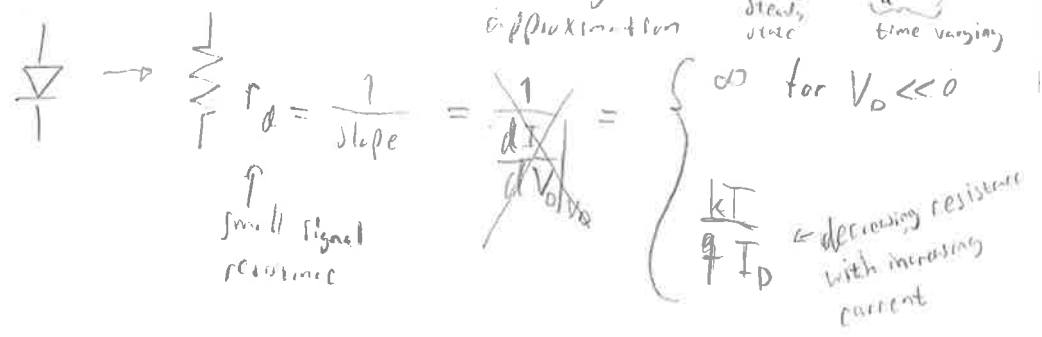
Taylor expansion around  $x = x_0$

$$f(x_0 + dx) \approx f(x_0) + \left. \frac{df(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0} dx + \left. \frac{d^2f(x)}{dx^2} \right|_{x=x_0} \frac{dx^2}{2!} \Rightarrow e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if} \\ v_d \ll kT \end{array} \right\} \approx I_0 \left( 1 + \frac{qv_d}{kT} + \left( \frac{qv_d}{kT} \right)^2 \frac{1}{2} + \dots \right) = I_0 \left( 1 + \frac{qv_d}{kT} \right)$$

linear variation of current ( $i_D$ ) with voltage ( $v_d$ )  
 $I_0$  is steady state  
 $\frac{1}{kT} + \frac{1}{kT} v_d$  is time varying

Have actually transform



depletion-region <sup>(junction)</sup> capacitance (on p-n junction)

Consider a p+n junction ( $N_A \gg N_D$ ) remember  $w_1 N_D = w_2 N_A$

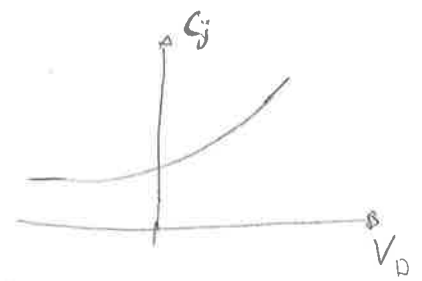
(\*)  $w_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2 \epsilon_s \epsilon_r (\psi_0 + V_R)}{q N_D (1 + \frac{N_D}{N_A})}}$   $w_2 \approx 0$  } Only  $w_1$  change with  $V_R$   
 only depletion width on n-side

$C_j = \frac{dQ}{dV_R} = \frac{dQ}{dw_1} \cdot \frac{dw_1}{dV_R}$

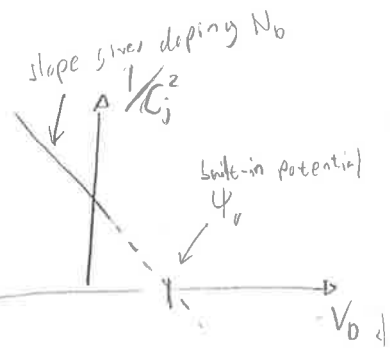
Since  $Q = A q N_D w_1 \rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dw_1} = A q N_D$

$\frac{dw_1}{dV_R} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \epsilon_s \epsilon_r}{q N_D (1 + \frac{N_D}{N_A})}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (\psi_0 + V_R)^{-0.5}$

$C_j = A q N_D \cdot \frac{\epsilon_s \cdot \epsilon_r}{\sqrt{2 q N_D (1 + \frac{N_D}{N_A})}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\psi_0 + V_R}}$   $\Rightarrow$   $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\psi_0 + V_R}}$  negative



rewrite as  $\frac{1}{C_j^2} = \frac{1}{A^2 q^2 N_D^2 \epsilon_s \epsilon_r} \cdot (1 + \frac{N_D}{N_A}) \cdot (\psi_0 + V_R)$   $\Rightarrow$   $(-V_D)$



## Diffusion capacitance (n<sup>+</sup>p-junction)

forward bias  $\rightarrow$  excess minority carriers (electrons) in p-region



$$Q = \frac{q A w_p (n_n(w_2) - n_p(w_p))}{2} = \frac{q n_{p0} \cdot A \cdot w_p}{2} (e^{qV_0/kT} - 1)$$

$$C_{diff} = \frac{dQ}{dV_0} = \frac{q n_{p0} A w_p}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{kT} e^{qV_0/kT}$$