

List of Formulas

Electronics devices.

1. Electric field $E_x = \frac{\text{Voltage}}{\text{distance}} = \frac{V}{cm}$

2. Mobility $\mu = \frac{vd}{E}$ $\frac{\text{velocity}}{\text{Electric field}} = \frac{cm}{\frac{V}{cm}}$

$\mu m = \frac{cm^2}{V sec}$

3. $J = n q v_{drift}$

4. $v_{drift} = \frac{q E t}{m_n^*}$, $m_n^* = \text{effective mass of electrons}$

5. $J = \sigma E$, $\mu_n = \frac{v_{drift}}{E} = \frac{q t}{m_n^*}$
 $\sigma = q n \mu_n$

6. Newtons Law:

The rate of change of momentum of a body is proportional to force, applied to it.

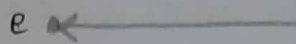
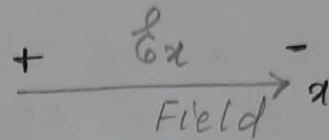
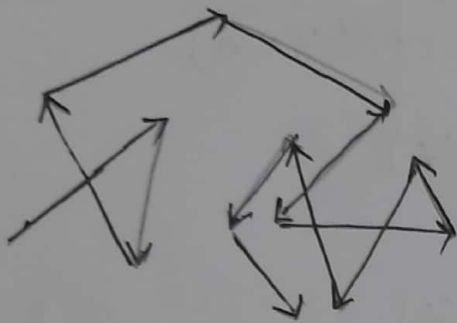
7. Force = $q E_x$, $I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$, $\frac{\text{coloumb}}{\text{sec}}$

Conductivity and Mobility

(1)

1. Drift of carriers in an Electric field.

→ The net movement of electrons or holes due to an electric field is called drift current.



$$v_d = -\mu_n E_x$$

v_d = drift velocity
 E_x = Electric field
 μ_n = Mobility

1. If an Electric field E_x is applied in x -direction,

The electrons experiences a net force

$$F = -q E_x \text{ from the field.}$$

2. The group of electrons will have a net average velocity in the x -direction. The mean velocity is called drift velocity.

3. If P_x is the total momentum of the group of ' n '-electrons/cm³ the ~~accelerating~~ force due to electric-field is

$$\left. \frac{dP_x}{dt} \right|_{\text{field}} = -nq E_x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\frac{dP_x}{dt} = -ng E_x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Let, group of N_0 electrons at time $t=0$ be considered.

Let $N(t)$ be the number of electrons have not undergone collision by time t .

The rate of decrease in $N(t)$ at any time 't' is proportional to the number left unscattered (no collision)

$$-\frac{dN(t)}{dt} \propto N(t)$$

$$-\frac{dN(t)}{dt} = \frac{N(t)}{\bar{t}} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$\bar{t} \rightarrow$ proportionality constant.

(2) solved is exponential function

$$N(t) = N_0 e^{-t/\bar{t}} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$\bar{t} \rightarrow$ mean time between collision or mean free time.

The probability of collision for an electron in any time interval $dt = \frac{dt}{\bar{t}}$.

\therefore The differential change in momentum due to collision in time

$$dt \text{ is } \bullet \quad dP_x = -P_x \frac{dt}{\bar{t}} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

The rate of change of P_x due to the (2) decelerating effect of collision is

$$\frac{dP_x}{dt} = -\frac{P_x}{\bar{\tau}} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

The sum of acceleration (1) & deceleration (5) must be zero for steady state

$$(1) + (5) = 0$$

$$-nq_0 E_x - \frac{P_x}{\bar{\tau}} = 0$$

The average momentum per electron is

$$\langle P_x \rangle = \frac{P_x}{n} = -q_0 E_x \bar{\tau} \quad \rightarrow (6)$$

$\langle \rangle \rightarrow$ average over entire group of electrons.

(6) indicates that electrons have on velocity in negative x -direction given by

$$\langle v_x \rangle = \frac{\langle P_x \rangle}{m_n^*} = \frac{-q_0 \bar{\tau} E_x}{m_n^*}$$

$$\langle v_x \rangle = -q_0 \bar{\tau} E_x \frac{1}{m_n^*}$$

drift velocity of avg electron in response to the electric-field (7)

The current density due to electrons drift is the number of electrons crossing unit area per unit time. $\langle n \langle v_x \rangle \rangle$ multiple by charge (q)

$$J_x = -q n \langle v_x \rangle$$

$$\frac{\text{amp}}{\text{cm}^2} = \frac{\text{coulomb}}{\text{electron}} \cdot \frac{\text{electron}}{\text{cm}^3} \cdot \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$J_x = -q n \frac{(-q \bar{t} \mathcal{E}_x)}{m_n^*} \quad \text{From eqn (7)}$$

$$J_x = \frac{q^2 n \bar{t} \mathcal{E}_x}{m_n^*} \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

From ohm's Law, current density is proportional to the electric field

$$J_x = \sigma \mathcal{E}_x \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

compare (8) & (9)

$$\sigma = \frac{q^2 n \bar{t}}{m_n^*} \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

The conductivity ' σ ' can be written

$$\sigma \text{ (}\Omega/\text{cm)}$$

$$\sigma = q n \mu_n \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

compare (9) & (10)

$$\mu_n = \frac{q \bar{v}}{m_n^*} \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

$\mu_n \rightarrow$ electron Mobility

$\mu_n \rightarrow$ describes the ease with which electron drift in the material.

Mobility $\mu_n = \frac{\text{average velocity}}{\text{Electric field}}$

$$\mu_n = - \frac{\langle v_x \rangle}{E_x} \quad \text{cm}^2/\text{V sec}$$

The current density can be written in terms of Mobility

$$J = \sigma E_x \quad \rightarrow \text{from (9)}$$

$$\sigma = q_n \mu_n \quad \rightarrow \text{from (10)}$$

we get $\therefore \boxed{J = q_n \mu_n E_x}$

If both electrons and holes participate

$$\boxed{J_x = q(n \mu_n + p \mu_p) E_x}$$

$$J_x = \sigma E_x$$

$$\boxed{\sigma = q[n \mu_n + p \mu_p]}$$

$\sigma =$ conductivity

The resistance of the semiconductor bar is given by.

$$R = \frac{\rho L}{w \cdot t}$$

$$= \frac{L}{w \cdot t} \cdot \rho$$

$$R = \frac{L}{w \cdot t} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

ρ = resistivity

$$\rho = \frac{1}{\sigma} \quad \Omega \cdot \text{cm}$$

w = width
 t = thickness
 L = Length
 ρ = resistivity

