Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Course Solid State Electronics ECE 511 Fall, 2023

Books:

A. Course Description
The course introduces physics of semiconductor devices. It covers fundamental aspects of semiconductor physics necessary for understanding operation principles and characteristics of semiconductor diodes and transistors.

B. Grading
Attendance 15%
Midterm 45%
Project (execution, report, presentation) 40%

C. Prerequisites
Prerequisite: BS in Physical Sciences or Electrical Engineering

D. Student Responsibilities
Each student is expected to:
1. Complete assigned readings and homework
2. Participate in classroom activities
3. Successfully complete the Midterm Exam and the Project

E. Content
Basic Semiconductor Physics
Fundamentals of semiconductor devices
- Introduction (Lecture 1)
- Semiconductor crystals lattices (Lecture 2)
- Semiconductor band diagram.
- Statistics of electrons and holes. (Lecture 3)
- Electron and hole transport in semiconductors (Lecture 4)
  o Time and length scales of the electrons in solids
  o Drift-diffusion approximation
- Recombination processes.

p-n Junctions, Schottky Barrier Junctions
- P-N junction and P-N diodes (Lecture 5, 6)
- Bipolar transistor (Lecture 7)
- Schottky Barrier Junctions and Schottky diodes (Lecture 8-9)
- MESFET
Metal-Insulator-Semiconductor (MIS) contact

- MIS capacitor (Lecture 9-10)
- Metal –Oxide-Semiconductor (MOS) diode (Lecture 10)
- MOSFET
- Photodetectors (Lecture 11)
- CCD (Lecture 12)

F. Objectives

The course intends to give students a broad understanding of fundamentals, and applications of semiconductor devices.

After taking this course, students should be able to:

- Understand physics of semiconductors;
- Use knowledge of semiconductor physics for understanding characteristics of specific semiconductor structures and devices based on these structures;
- Understand physical processes which underlay equivalent circuits of semiconductor diodes and transistors;
- Apply theoretical concepts and basic formulas to solving homework problems;
- Continually develop in life skills of:
  - Making reasonable assumptions which enable solving technical problems in optimum way
  - Reading and understanding books and journal publications in the field of semiconductor devices
- Study and analyze literature, make oral presentation, write formal report.

DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES (DSS) STATEMENT (must be the following language)

If you have a physical, psychological, medical or learning disability that may impact your course work, please contact Disability Support Services, ECC (Educational Communications Center) Building, room128, (631) 632-6748. They will determine with you what accommodations, if any, are necessary and appropriate. All information and documentation is confidential.

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