

## Chapter 3

### 3.1

If  $\alpha_o$  were to increase, the bandgap energy would decrease and the material would begin to behave less like a semiconductor and more like a metal. If  $\alpha_o$  were to decrease, the bandgap energy would increase and the material would begin to behave more like an insulator.

### 3.2

Schrodinger's wave equation is:

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \cdot \Psi(x, t) = j\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(x, t)}{\partial t}$$

Assume the solution is of the form:

$$\Psi(x, t) = u(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right]$$

Region I:  $V(x) = 0$ . Substituting the assumed solution into the wave equation, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left\{ jku(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x} \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right] \right\} \\ &= j\hbar\left(-\frac{jE}{\hbar}\right) \cdot u(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right] \end{aligned}$$

which becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \left\{ (jk)^2 u(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + 2jk \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x} \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{\partial^2 u(x)}{\partial x^2} \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= +Eu(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right]$$

This equation may be written as

$$-k^2 u(x) + 2jk \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 u(x)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} u(x) = 0$$

Setting  $u(x) = u_1(x)$  for region I, the equation becomes:

$$\frac{d^2 u_1(x)}{dx^2} + 2jk \frac{du_1(x)}{dx} - \left(k^2 - \alpha^2\right) u_1(x) = 0$$

where

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}$$

Q.E.D.

In Region II,  $V(x) = V_o$ . Assume the same

form of the solution:

$$\Psi(x, t) = u(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right]$$

Substituting into Schrodinger's wave equation, we find:

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \left\{ (jk)^2 u(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right] \right. \\ \left. + 2jk \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x} \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right] \right\}$$

$$+ \frac{\partial^2 u(x)}{\partial x^2} \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right]$$

$$+ V_o u(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right]$$

$$= Eu(x) \exp\left[j\left(kx - \left(\frac{E}{\hbar}\right)t\right)\right]$$

This equation can be written as:

$$-k^2 u(x) + 2jk \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 u(x)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{2mV_O}{\hbar^2} u(x) + \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} u(x) = 0$$

Setting  $u(x) = u_2(x)$  for region II, this equation becomes

$$\frac{d^2 u_2(x)}{dx^2} + 2jk \frac{du_2(x)}{dx} - \left( k^2 - \alpha^2 + \frac{2mV_O}{\hbar^2} \right) u_2(x) = 0$$

where again

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

### 3.3

We have

$$\frac{d^2 u_1(x)}{dx^2} + 2jk \frac{du_1(x)}{dx} - (k^2 - \alpha^2) u_1(x) = 0$$

Assume the solution is of the form:

$$u_1(x) = A \exp[j(\alpha - k)x] + B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)x]$$

The first derivative is

$$\frac{du_1(x)}{dx} = j(\alpha - k)A \exp[j(\alpha - k)x]$$

$$- j(\alpha + k)B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)x]$$

and the second derivative becomes

$$\frac{d^2 u_1(x)}{dx^2} = [j(\alpha - k)]^2 A \exp[j(\alpha - k)x]$$

$$+ [j(\alpha + k)]^2 B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)x]$$

Substituting these equations into the differential equation, we find

$$-(\alpha - k)^2 A \exp[j(\alpha - k)x] \\ - (\alpha + k)^2 B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)x]$$

$$+ 2jk \{ j(\alpha - k)A \exp[j(\alpha - k)x] \\ - j(\alpha + k)B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)x] \} \\ - (k^2 - \alpha^2) \{ A \exp[j(\alpha - k)x] \\ + B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)x] \} = 0$$

Combining terms, we obtain

$$[-(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha k + k^2) - 2k(\alpha - k) - (k^2 - \alpha^2)] \\ \times A \exp[j(\alpha - k)x] \\ + [-(\alpha^2 + 2\alpha k + k^2) + 2k(\alpha + k) - (k^2 - \alpha^2)] \\ \times B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)x] = 0$$

We find that

$$0 = 0$$

Q.E.D.

For the differential equation in  $u_2(x)$  and the

proposed solution, the procedure is exactly the same as above.

### 3.4

We have the solutions

$$u_1(x) = A \exp[j(\alpha - k)x] \\ + B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)x]$$

for  $0 < x < a$  and

$$u_2(x) = C \exp[j(\beta - k)x] \\ + D \exp[-j(\beta + k)x]$$

for  $-b < x < 0$ .

The first boundary condition is

$$u_1(0) = u_2(0)$$

which yields

$$A + B - C - D = 0$$

The second boundary condition is

$$\frac{du_1}{dx} \Big|_{x=0} = \frac{du_2}{dx} \Big|_{x=0}$$

which yields

$$(\alpha - k)A - (\alpha + k)B - (\beta - k)C \\ + (\beta + k)D = 0$$

The third boundary condition is

$$u_1(a) = u_2(-b)$$

which yields

$$A \exp[j(\alpha - k)a] + B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)a] \\ = C \exp[j(\beta - k)(-b)]$$

$$+ D \exp[-j(\beta + k)(-b)]$$

and can be written as

$$A \exp[j(\alpha - k)a] + B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)a]$$

$$- C \exp[-j(\beta - k)b]$$

$$- D \exp[j(\beta + k)b] = 0$$

The fourth boundary condition is

$$\frac{du_1}{dx} \Big|_{x=a} = \frac{du_2}{dx} \Big|_{x=-b}$$

which yields

$$j(\alpha - k)A \exp[j(\alpha - k)a]$$

$$- j(\alpha + k)B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)a]$$

$$= j(\beta - k)C \exp[j(\beta - k)(-b)]$$

$$- j(\beta + k)D \exp[-j(\beta + k)(-b)]$$

and can be written as

$$(\alpha - k)A \exp[j(\alpha - k)a]$$

$$- (\alpha + k)B \exp[-j(\alpha + k)a]$$

$$- (\beta - k)C \exp[-j(\beta - k)b]$$

$$+ (\beta + k)D \exp[j(\beta + k)b] = 0$$

### 3.5

(b) (i) First point:  $\alpha a = \pi$

Second point: By trial and error,  
 $\alpha a = 1.729\pi$

(ii) First point:  $\alpha a = 2\pi$

Second point: By trial and error,  
 $\alpha a = 2.617\pi$

### 3.6

(b) (i) First point:  $\alpha a = \pi$

Second point: By trial and error,  
 $\alpha a = 1.515\pi$

(ii) First point:  $\alpha a = 2\pi$

Second point: By trial and error,  
 $\alpha a = 2.375\pi$

### 3.7

$$P' \frac{\sin \alpha a}{\alpha a} + \cos \alpha a = \cos ka$$

Let  $ka = y$ ,  $\alpha a = x$

Then

$$P' \frac{\sin x}{x} + \cos x = \cos y$$

Consider  $\frac{d}{dy}$  of this function.

$$\frac{d}{dy} \{ [P' \cdot (x)^{-1} \sin x] + \cos x \} = -\sin y$$

We find

$$P' \left\{ (-1)(x)^{-2} \sin x \cdot \frac{dx}{dy} + (x)^{-1} \cos x \cdot \frac{dx}{dy} \right\}$$

$$-\sin x \frac{dx}{dy} = -\sin y$$

Then

$$\frac{dx}{dy} \left\{ P' \left[ \frac{-1}{x^2} \sin x + \frac{\cos x}{x} \right] - \sin x \right\} = -\sin y$$

For  $y = ka = n\pi$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \sin y = 0$$

So that, in general,

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = 0 = \frac{d(\alpha a)}{d(ka)} = \frac{d\alpha}{dk}$$

And

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$

So

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dk} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \right)^{-1/2} \left( \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right) \frac{dE}{dk}$$

This implies that

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dk} = 0 = \frac{dE}{dk} \text{ for } k = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

### 3.8

(a)  $\alpha_1 a = \pi$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_1}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = \pi$$

$$E_1 = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2m_o a^2} = \frac{(\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})} \\ = 3.4114 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

From Problem 3.5

$$\alpha_2 a = 1.729\pi$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_2}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 1.729\pi$$

$$E_2 = \frac{(1.729\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 1.0198 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

$$\Delta E = E_2 - E_1$$

$$= 1.0198 \times 10^{-18} - 3.4114 \times 10^{-19} \\ = 6.7868 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{or } \Delta E = \frac{6.7868 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 4.24 \text{ eV}$$

$$(b) \alpha_3 a = 2\pi$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_3}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 2\pi$$

$$E_3 = \frac{(2\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 1.3646 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

From Problem 3.5,

$$\alpha_4 a = 2.617\pi$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_4}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 2.617\pi$$

$$E_4 = \frac{(2.617\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 2.3364 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

$$\Delta E = E_4 - E_3$$

$$= 2.3364 \times 10^{-18} - 1.3646 \times 10^{-18} \\ = 9.718 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{or } \Delta E = \frac{9.718 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 6.07 \text{ eV}$$

3.9

$$(a) \text{ At } ka = \pi, \alpha_1 a = \pi$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_1}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = \pi$$

$$E_1 = \frac{(\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 3.4114 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

At  $ka = 0$ , By trial and error,

$$\alpha_o a = 0.859\pi$$

$$E_o = \frac{(0.859\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 2.5172 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\Delta E = E_1 - E_o$$

$$= 3.4114 \times 10^{-19} - 2.5172 \times 10^{-19} \\ = 8.942 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{or } \Delta E = \frac{8.942 \times 10^{-20}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 0.559 \text{ eV}$$

$$(b) \text{ At } ka = 2\pi, \alpha_3 a = 2\pi$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_3}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 2\pi$$

$$E_3 = \frac{(2\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 1.3646 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

At  $ka = \pi$ . From Problem 3.5,

$$\alpha_2 a = 1.729\pi$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_2}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 1.729\pi$$

$$E_2 = \frac{(1.729\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 1.0198 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

$$\Delta E = E_3 - E_2$$

$$= 1.3646 \times 10^{-18} - 1.0198 \times 10^{-18} \\ = 3.4474 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

or  $\Delta E = \frac{3.4474 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 2.15 \text{ eV}$

$$E_4 = \frac{(2.375\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 1.9242 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

$$\Delta E = E_4 - E_3$$

$$= 1.9242 \times 10^{-18} - 1.3646 \times 10^{-18} \\ = 5.597 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

or  $\Delta E = \frac{5.597 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 3.50 \text{ eV}$

**3.10**

(a)  $\alpha_1 a = \pi$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_1}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = \pi$$

$$E_1 = \frac{(\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 3.4114 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

From Problem 3.6,  $\alpha_2 a = 1.515\pi$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_2}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 1.515\pi$$

$$E_2 = \frac{(1.515\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 7.830 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\Delta E = E_2 - E_1$$

$$= 7.830 \times 10^{-19} - 3.4114 \times 10^{-19} \\ = 4.4186 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

or  $\Delta E = \frac{4.4186 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 2.76 \text{ eV}$

(b)  $\alpha_3 a = 2\pi$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_3}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 2\pi$$

$$E_3 = \frac{(2\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 1.3646 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

From Problem 3.6,  $\alpha_4 a = 2.375\pi$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_4}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 2.375\pi$$

**3.11**

(a) At  $ka = \pi$ ,  $\alpha_1 a = \pi$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_1}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = \pi$$

$$E_1 = \frac{(\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 3.4114 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

At  $ka = 0$ , By trial and error,

$$\alpha_o a = 0.727\pi$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_o}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 0.727\pi$$

$$E_o = \frac{(0.727\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2} \\ = 1.8030 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\Delta E = E_1 - E_o$$

$$= 3.4114 \times 10^{-19} - 1.8030 \times 10^{-19} \\ = 1.6084 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

or

$$\Delta E = \frac{1.6084 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 1.005 \text{ eV}$$

(b) At  $ka = 2\pi$ ,  $\alpha_3 a = 2\pi$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_3}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 2\pi$$

$$E_3 = \frac{(2\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2}$$

$$= 1.3646 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

At  $ka = \pi$ , From Problem 3.6,  
 $\alpha_2 a = 1.515\pi$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m_o E_2}{\hbar^2}} \cdot a = 1.515\pi$$

$$E_2 = \frac{(1.515\pi)^2 (1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-34})(4.2 \times 10^{-10})^2}$$

$$= 7.830 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\Delta E = E_3 - E_2$$

$$= 1.3646 \times 10^{-18} - 7.830 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$= 5.816 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

or  $\Delta E = \frac{5.816 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 3.635 \text{ eV}$

### 3.12

For  $T = 100 \text{ K}$ ,

$$E_g = 1.170 - \frac{(4.73 \times 10^{-4})(100)^2}{636 + 100} \Rightarrow$$

$$E_g = 1.164 \text{ eV}$$

$$T = 200 \text{ K}, \quad E_g = 1.147 \text{ eV}$$

$$T = 300 \text{ K}, \quad E_g = 1.125 \text{ eV}$$

$$T = 400 \text{ K}, \quad E_g = 1.097 \text{ eV}$$

$$T = 500 \text{ K}, \quad E_g = 1.066 \text{ eV}$$

$$T = 600 \text{ K}, \quad E_g = 1.032 \text{ eV}$$

### 3.13

The effective mass is given by

$$m^* = \left( \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \cdot \frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} \right)^{-1}$$

We have

$$\frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} (\text{curve } A) > \frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} (\text{curve } B)$$

so that  $m^* (\text{curve } A) < m^* (\text{curve } B)$

### 3.14

The effective mass for a hole is given by

$$m_p^* = \left( \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \cdot \left| \frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} \right| \right)^{-1}$$

We have that

$$\left| \frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} \right| (\text{curve } A) > \left| \frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} \right| (\text{curve } B)$$

so that  $m_p^* (\text{curve } A) < m_p^* (\text{curve } B)$

### 3.15

Points A,B:  $\frac{dE}{dk} < 0 \Rightarrow$  velocity in -x

direction

Points C,D:  $\frac{dE}{dk} > 0 \Rightarrow$  velocity in +x

direction

Points A,D:  $\frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} < 0 \Rightarrow$

negative effective mass

Points B,C:  $\frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} > 0 \Rightarrow$

positive effective mass

### 3.16

For A:  $E = C_i k^2$

At  $k = 0.08 \times 10^{+10} \text{ m}^{-1}$ ,  $E = 0.05 \text{ eV}$

Or

$$E = (0.05)(1.6 \times 10^{-19}) = 8 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{So } 8 \times 10^{-21} = C_1 (0.08 \times 10^{10})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = 1.25 \times 10^{-38}$$

$$\text{Now } m^* = \frac{\hbar^2}{2C_1} = \frac{(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(1.25 \times 10^{-38})}$$

$$= 4.44 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$$

$$\text{or } m^* = \frac{4.4437 \times 10^{-31}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}} \cdot m_o$$

$$m^* = 0.488 m_o$$

For B:  $E = C_1 k^2$   
At  $k = 0.08 \times 10^{+10} \text{ m}^{-1}$ ,  $E = 0.5 \text{ eV}$

Or  
 $E = (0.5)(1.6 \times 10^{-19}) = 8 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$   
 So  $8 \times 10^{-20} = C_1 (0.08 \times 10^{10})^2$   
 $\Rightarrow C_1 = 1.25 \times 10^{-37}$   
 Now  $m^* = \frac{\hbar^2}{2C_1} = \frac{(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(1.25 \times 10^{-37})}$   
 $= 4.44 \times 10^{-32} \text{ kg}$   
 or  $m^* = \frac{4.4437 \times 10^{-32}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}} \cdot m_o$   
 $m^* = 0.0488 m_o$

### 3.17

For A:  $E - E_v = -C_2 k^2$   
 $-(0.025)(1.6 \times 10^{-19}) = -C_2 (0.08 \times 10^{10})^2$   
 $\Rightarrow C_2 = 6.25 \times 10^{-39}$   
 $m^* = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2C_2} = \frac{-(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(6.25 \times 10^{-39})}$   
 $= -8.8873 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$   
 or  $m^* = \frac{-8.8873 \times 10^{-31}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}} \cdot m_o$   
 $m^* = -0.976 m_o$

For B:  $E - E_v = -C_2 k^2$

$$-(0.3)(1.6 \times 10^{-19}) = -C_2 (0.08 \times 10^{10})^2$$
 $\Rightarrow C_2 = 7.5 \times 10^{-38}$

$$m^* = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2C_2} = \frac{-(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2}{2(7.5 \times 10^{-38})}$$
 $= -7.406 \times 10^{-32} \text{ kg}$ 
 $\text{or } m^* = \frac{-7.406 \times 10^{-32}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}} \cdot m_o$ 
 $m^* = -0.0813 m_o$

### 3.18

(a) (i)  $E = h\nu$   
 or  $\nu = \frac{E}{h} = \frac{(1.42)(1.6 \times 10^{-19})}{6.625 \times 10^{-34}}$   
 $= 3.429 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$   
 (ii)  $\lambda = \frac{hc}{E} = \frac{c}{\nu} = \frac{3 \times 10^{10}}{3.429 \times 10^{14}}$   
 $= 8.75 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm} = 875 \text{ nm}$

(b) (i)  $\nu = \frac{E}{h} = \frac{(1.12)(1.6 \times 10^{-19})}{6.625 \times 10^{-34}}$   
 $= 2.705 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$   
 (ii)  $\lambda = \frac{c}{\nu} = \frac{3 \times 10^{10}}{2.705 \times 10^{14}}$   
 $= 1.109 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm} = 1109 \text{ nm}$

### 3.19

- (c) Curve A: Effective mass is a constant  
 Curve B: Effective mass is positive around  $k = 0$ , and is negative around  $k = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

### 3.20

$$E = E_o - E_1 \cos[\alpha(k - k_o)]$$

Then

$$\frac{dE}{dk} = (-E_1)(-\alpha) \sin[\alpha(k - k_o)]$$

$$= +E_1 \alpha \sin[\alpha(k - k_o)]$$

and

$$\frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} = E_1 \alpha^2 \cos[\alpha(k - k_o)]$$

Then

$$\frac{1}{m^*} = \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \cdot \frac{d^2 E}{dk^2} \Big|_{k=k_o} = \frac{E_1 \alpha^2}{\hbar^2}$$

or

$$m^* = \frac{\hbar^2}{E_1 \alpha^2}$$

**3.21**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad m_{dn}^* &= 4^{2/3} \left[ (m_t)^2 m_l \right]^{1/3} \\
 &= 4^{2/3} \left[ (0.082m_o)^2 (1.64m_o) \right]^{1/3} \\
 m_{dn}^* &= 0.56m_o \\
 \text{(b)} \quad \frac{3}{m_{cn}^*} &= \frac{2}{m_t} + \frac{1}{m_l} = \frac{2}{0.082m_o} + \frac{1}{1.64m_o} \\
 &= \frac{24.39}{m_o} + \frac{0.6098}{m_o} \\
 m_{cn}^* &= 0.12m_o
 \end{aligned}$$

**3.22**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad m_{dp}^* &= \left[ (m_{hh})^{3/2} + (m_{lh})^{3/2} \right]^{2/3} \\
 &= \left[ (0.45m_o)^{3/2} + (0.082m_o)^{3/2} \right]^{2/3} \\
 &= [0.30187 + 0.02348]^{2/3} \cdot m_o \\
 m_{dp}^* &= 0.473m_o \\
 \text{(b)} \quad m_{cp}^* &= \frac{(m_{hh})^{3/2} + (m_{lh})^{3/2}}{(m_{hh})^{1/2} + (m_{lh})^{1/2}} \\
 &= \frac{(0.45)^{3/2} + (0.082)^{3/2}}{(0.45)^{1/2} + (0.082)^{1/2}} \cdot m_o \\
 m_{cp}^* &= 0.34m_o
 \end{aligned}$$

**3.23**

For the 3-dimensional infinite potential well,  $V(x) = 0$  when  $0 < x < a$ ,  $0 < y < a$ , and  $0 < z < a$ . In this region, the wave equation is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, y, z)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, y, z)}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, y, z)}{\partial z^2} \\
 + \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi(x, y, z) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Use separation of variables technique, so let  $\psi(x, y, z) = X(x)Y(y)Z(z)$

Substituting into the wave equation, we have

$$YZ \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + XZ \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + XY \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2}$$

$$+ \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \cdot XYZ = 0$$

Dividing by  $XYZ$ , we obtain

$$\frac{1}{X} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} + \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} = 0$$

Let

$$\frac{1}{X} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = -k_x^2 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + k_x^2 X = 0$$

The solution is of the form:

$$X(x) = A \sin k_x x + B \cos k_x x$$

Since  $\psi(x, y, z) = 0$  at  $x = 0$ , then

$$X(0) = 0$$

so that  $B = 0$ .

Also,  $\psi(x, y, z) = 0$  at  $x = a$ , so that

$$X(a) = 0. Then  $k_x a = n_x \pi$  where$$

$$n_x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Similarly, we have

$$\frac{1}{Y} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} = -k_y^2 \text{ and } \frac{1}{Z} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = -k_z^2$$

From the boundary conditions, we find

$$k_y a = n_y \pi \text{ and } k_z a = n_z \pi$$

where

$$n_y = 1, 2, 3, \dots \text{ and}$$

$$n_z = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

From the wave equation, we can write

$$-k_x^2 - k_y^2 - k_z^2 + \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} = 0$$

The energy can be written as

$$E = E_{n_x n_y n_z} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2 \right) \left( \frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2$$

**3.24**

The total number of quantum states in the 3-dimensional potential well is given (in k-space) by

$$g_T(k) dk = \frac{\pi k^2 dk}{\pi^3} \cdot a^3$$

where

$$k^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}$$

We can then write

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

Taking the differential, we obtain

$$g_T(E)dE = \frac{2a}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2\hbar} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2m_n^*}{E}} \cdot dE$$

Divide by the "volume"  $a$ , so

$$g(E) = \frac{1}{\hbar\pi} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2m_n^*}{E}}$$

$$dk = \frac{1}{\hbar} \cdot \sqrt{2m} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{E}} \cdot dE = \frac{1}{\hbar} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m}{2E}} \cdot dE$$

Substituting these expressions into the density of states function, we have

$$g_T(E)dE = \frac{\pi a^3}{\pi^3} \left( \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{\hbar} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m}{2E}} \cdot dE$$

Noting that

$$\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$$

this density of states function can be simplified and written as

$$g_T(E)dE = \frac{4\pi a^3}{h^3} (2m)^{3/2} \cdot \sqrt{E} \cdot dE$$

Dividing by  $a^3$  will yield the density of states so that

$$g(E) = \frac{4\pi (2m)^{3/2}}{h^3} \cdot \sqrt{E}$$

### 3.25

For a one-dimensional infinite potential well,

$$\frac{2m_n^* E}{\hbar^2} = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{a^2} = k^2$$

Distance between quantum states

$$k_{n+1} - k_n = (n+1) \left( \frac{\pi}{a} \right) - (n) \left( \frac{\pi}{a} \right) = \frac{\pi}{a}$$

Now

$$g_T(k)dk = \frac{2 \cdot dk}{\left( \frac{\pi}{a} \right)}$$

Now

$$k = \frac{1}{\hbar} \cdot \sqrt{2m_n^* E}$$

$$dk = \frac{1}{\hbar} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2m_n^*}{E}} \cdot dE$$

Then

So

$$g(E) = \frac{1}{(1.054 \times 10^{-34})(\pi)} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2(0.067)(9.11 \times 10^{-31})}}{\sqrt{E}}$$

$$g(E) = \frac{1.055 \times 10^{18}}{\sqrt{E}} \text{ m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1}$$

### 3.26

(a) Silicon,  $m_n^* = 1.08m_o$

$$g_c(E) = \frac{4\pi (2m_n^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \sqrt{E - E_c}$$

$$g_c = \frac{4\pi (2m_n^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \int_{E_c}^{E_c + 2kT} \sqrt{E - E_c} \cdot dE$$

$$= \frac{4\pi (2m_n^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot (E - E_c)^{3/2} \Big|_{E_c}^{E_c + 2kT}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi (2m_n^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot (2kT)^{3/2}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi [2(1.08)(9.11 \times 10^{-31})]^{3/2}}{(6.625 \times 10^{-34})^3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot (2kT)^{3/2}$$

$$= (7.953 \times 10^{55})(2kT)^{3/2}$$

(i) At  $T = 300 \text{ K}$ ,  $kT = 0.0259 \text{ eV}$

$$= (0.0259)(1.6 \times 10^{-19})$$

$$= 4.144 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$$

Then

$$g_c = (7.953 \times 10^{55}) [2(4.144 \times 10^{-21})]^{3/2}$$

$$= 6.0 \times 10^{25} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

or  $g_c = 6.0 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(ii) At  $T = 400 \text{ K}$ ,

$$kT = (0.0259) \left( \frac{400}{300} \right) = 0.034533 \text{ eV}$$

$$= (0.034533)(1.6 \times 10^{-19}) = 5.5253 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$$

Then

$$g_c = (7.953 \times 10^{55}) [2(5.5253 \times 10^{-21})]^{3/2} = 9.239 \times 10^{25} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

or  $g_c = 9.24 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(b) GaAs,  $m_n^* = 0.067m_o$

$$g_c = \frac{4\pi[2(0.067)(9.11 \times 10^{-31})]^{3/2}}{(6.625 \times 10^{-34})^3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot (2kT)^{3/2} = (1.2288 \times 10^{54})(2kT)^{3/2}$$

(i) At  $T = 300 \text{ K}$ ,  $kT = 4.144 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$

$$g_c = (1.2288 \times 10^{54}) [2(4.144 \times 10^{-21})]^{3/2} = 9.272 \times 10^{23} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

or  $g_c = 9.27 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(ii) At  $T = 400 \text{ K}$ ,

$$kT = 5.5253 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$$

$$g_c = (1.2288 \times 10^{54}) [2(5.5253 \times 10^{-21})]^{3/2} = 1.427 \times 10^{24} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

$$g_c = 1.43 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

### 3.27

(a) Silicon,  $m_p^* = 0.56m_o$

$$g_v(E) = \frac{4\pi(2m_p^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \sqrt{E_v - E}$$

$$g_v = \frac{4\pi(2m_p^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \int_{E_v-3kT}^{E_v} \sqrt{E_v - E} \cdot dE$$

$$= \frac{4\pi(2m_p^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \left( \frac{-2}{3} \right) (E_v - E)^{3/2} \Big|_{E_v-3kT}^{E_v}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi(2m_p^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \left( \frac{-2}{3} \right) (3kT)^{3/2}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi[2(0.56)(9.11 \times 10^{-31})]^{3/2}}{(6.625 \times 10^{-34})^3} \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) (3kT)^{3/2}$$

$$= (2.969 \times 10^{55})(3kT)^{3/2}$$

(i) At  $T = 300 \text{ K}$ ,  $kT = 4.144 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$

$$g_v = (2.969 \times 10^{55}) [3(4.144 \times 10^{-21})]^{3/2} = 4.116 \times 10^{25} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

or  $g_v = 4.12 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(ii) At  $T = 400 \text{ K}$ ,  $kT = 5.5253 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$

$$g_v = (2.969 \times 10^{55}) [3(5.5253 \times 10^{-21})]^{3/2} = 6.337 \times 10^{25} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

or  $g_v = 6.34 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(b) GaAs,  $m_p^* = 0.48m_o$

$$g_v = \frac{4\pi[2(0.48)(9.11 \times 10^{-31})]^{3/2}}{(6.625 \times 10^{-34})^3} \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) (3kT)^{3/2}$$

$$= (2.3564 \times 10^{55})(3kT)^{3/2}$$

(i) At  $T = 300 \text{ K}$ ,  $kT = 4.144 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$

$$g_v = (2.3564 \times 10^{55}) [3(4.144 \times 10^{-21})]^{3/2} = 3.266 \times 10^{25} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

or  $g_v = 3.27 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(ii) At  $T = 400 \text{ K}$ ,

$$kT = 5.5253 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$$

$$g_v = (2.3564 \times 10^{55}) [3(5.5253 \times 10^{-21})]^{3/2} = 5.029 \times 10^{25} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

or  $g_v = 5.03 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

**3.28**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad g_c(E) &= \frac{4\pi(2m_n^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \sqrt{E - E_c} \\
 &= \frac{4\pi[2(1.08)(9.11 \times 10^{-31})]^{3/2}}{(6.625 \times 10^{-34})^3} \sqrt{E - E_c} \\
 &= 1.1929 \times 10^{56} \sqrt{E - E_c}
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $E = E_c$ ;  $g_c = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E = E_c + 0.1 \text{ eV}; \quad g_c &= 1.509 \times 10^{46} \text{ m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1} \\
 E = E_c + 0.2 \text{ eV}; \quad &= 2.134 \times 10^{46} \\
 \text{m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1} \\
 E = E_c + 0.3 \text{ eV}; \quad &= 2.614 \times 10^{46} \\
 \text{m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1} \\
 E = E_c + 0.4 \text{ eV}; \quad &= 3.018 \times 10^{46} \\
 \text{m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b)} \quad g_v &= \frac{4\pi(2m_p^*)^{3/2}}{h^3} \sqrt{E_v - E} \\
 &= \frac{4\pi[2(0.56)(9.11 \times 10^{-31})]^{3/2}}{(6.625 \times 10^{-34})^3} \sqrt{E_v - E} \\
 &= 4.4541 \times 10^{55} \sqrt{E_v - E}
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $E = E_v$ ;  $g_v = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E = E_v - 0.1 \text{ eV}; \quad g_v &= 5.634 \times 10^{45} \text{ m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1} \\
 E = E_v - 0.2 \text{ eV}; \quad &= 7.968 \times 10^{45} \\
 \text{m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1} \\
 E = E_v - 0.3 \text{ eV}; \quad &= 9.758 \times 10^{45} \\
 \text{m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1} \\
 E = E_v - 0.4 \text{ eV}; \quad &= 1.127 \times 10^{46} \\
 \text{m}^{-3} \text{ J}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

**3.29**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad \frac{g_c}{g_v} &= \frac{(m_n^*)^{3/2}}{(m_p^*)^{3/2}} = \left(\frac{1.08}{0.56}\right)^{3/2} = 2.68 \\
 \text{(b)} \quad \frac{g_c}{g_v} &= \frac{(m_n^*)^{3/2}}{(m_p^*)^{3/2}} = \left(\frac{0.067}{0.48}\right)^{3/2} = 0.0521
 \end{aligned}$$

**3.30**  
Plot

**3.31**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad W_i &= \frac{g_i!}{N_i!(g_i - N_i)!} = \frac{10!}{(7!)(10-7)!} \\
 &= \frac{(10)(9)(8)(7!)}{(7!)(3!)} = \frac{(10)(9)(8)}{(3)(2)(1)} = 120 \\
 \text{(b) (i)} \quad W_i &= \frac{12!}{(10!)(12-10)!} = \frac{(12)(11)(10!)}{(10!)(2)(1)} \\
 &= 66 \\
 \text{(ii)} \quad W_i &= \frac{12!}{(8!)(12-8)!} = \frac{(12)(11)(10)(9)(8!)}{(8!)(4)(3)(2)(1)} \\
 &= 495
 \end{aligned}$$

**3.32**

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E - E_F}{kT}\right)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad E - E_F &= kT, \quad f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(1)} \Rightarrow \\
 &f(E) = 0.269 \\
 \text{(b)} \quad E - E_F &= 5kT, \\
 &f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(5)} \Rightarrow \\
 &f(E) = 6.69 \times 10^{-3} \\
 \text{(c)} \quad E - E_F &= 10kT, \\
 &f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(10)} \Rightarrow \\
 &f(E) = 4.54 \times 10^{-5}
 \end{aligned}$$

**3.33**

$$1 - f(E) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E - E_F}{kT}\right)}$$

or

$$1-f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E_F - E}{kT}\right)}$$

(a)  $E_F - E = kT$ ,  $1-f(E) = 0.269$   
 (b)  $E_F - E = 5kT$ ,  $1-f(E) = 6.69 \times 10^{-3}$   
 (c)  $E_F - E = 10kT$ ,  
 $1-f(E) = 4.54 \times 10^{-5}$

$$E = E_v; 1-f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-0.25}{0.0259}\right]$$

$$= 6.43 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$E_v - \frac{kT}{2};$$

$$1-f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(0.25+0.0259/2)}{0.0259}\right]$$

$$= 3.90 \times 10^{-5}$$

3.34

(a)  $f_F \cong \exp\left[\frac{-(E-E_F)}{kT}\right]$   
 $E = E_c;$   
 $f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-0.30}{0.0259}\right] = 9.32 \times 10^{-6}$   
 $E_c + \frac{kT}{2};$   
 $f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(0.30+0.0259/2)}{0.0259}\right]$   
 $= 5.66 \times 10^{-6}$   
 $E_c + kT;$   
 $f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(0.30+0.0259)}{0.0259}\right]$   
 $= 3.43 \times 10^{-6}$

$$E_c + \frac{3kT}{2};$$
 $f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(0.30+3(0.0259/2))}{0.0259}\right]$ 
 $= 2.08 \times 10^{-6}$

$$E_c + 2kT;$$
 $f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(0.30+2(0.0259))}{0.0259}\right]$ 
 $= 1.26 \times 10^{-6}$

$$(b) 1-f_F = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left[\frac{E-E_F}{kT}\right]}$$
 $\cong \exp\left[\frac{-(E_F - E)}{kT}\right]$

$$E_v - kT;$$
 $1-f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(0.25+0.0259)}{0.0259}\right]$ 
 $= 2.36 \times 10^{-5}$ 
 $E_v - \frac{3kT}{2};$ 
 $1-f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(0.25+3(0.0259/2))}{0.0259}\right]$ 
 $= 1.43 \times 10^{-5}$ 
 $E_v - 2kT;$ 
 $1-f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(0.25+2(0.0259))}{0.0259}\right]$ 
 $= 8.70 \times 10^{-6}$

3.35

$$f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(E-E_F)}{kT}\right] = \exp\left[\frac{-(E_c+kT-E_F)}{kT}\right]$$

and

$$1-f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(E_F - E)}{kT}\right]$$

$$= \exp\left[\frac{-(E_F - (E_v - kT))}{kT}\right]$$

$$\text{So } \exp\left[\frac{-(E_c+kT-E_F)}{kT}\right]$$

$$= \exp\left[\frac{-(E_F - E_v + kT)}{kT}\right]$$

Then  $E_c + kT - E_F = E_F - E_v + kT$

$$\text{Or } E_F = \frac{E_c + E_v}{2} = E_{\text{midgap}}$$

$$E_F = 2.35 \text{ eV}$$

- (b) For 13 electrons, the 13<sup>th</sup> electron occupies the quantum state  $n_x = 3, n_y = 2, n_z = 3$ ; so

### 3.36

$$E_n = \frac{\hbar^2 n^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2}$$

For  $n = 6$ , Filled state

$$E_6 = \frac{(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2 (6)^2 (\pi)^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(12 \times 10^{-10})^2} = 1.5044 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{or } E_6 = \frac{1.5044 \times 10^{-18}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 9.40 \text{ eV}$$

For  $n = 7$ , Empty state

$$E_7 = \frac{(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2 (7)^2 (\pi)^2}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(12 \times 10^{-10})^2} = 2.048 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{or } E_7 = \frac{2.048 \times 10^{-18}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 12.8 \text{ eV}$$

Therefore  $9.40 < E_F < 12.8 \text{ eV}$

### 3.37

(a) For a 3-D infinite potential well

$$\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} = (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \left( \frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2$$

For 5 electrons, the 5<sup>th</sup> electron occupies the quantum state  $n_x = 2, n_y = 2, n_z = 1$ ; so

$$E_5 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \left( \frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2 (\pi)^2 (2^2 + 2^2 + 1^2)}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(12 \times 10^{-10})^2} = 3.761 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{or } E_5 = \frac{3.761 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 2.35 \text{ eV}$$

For the next quantum state, which is empty, the quantum state is  $n_x = 1, n_y = 2, n_z = 2$ . This quantum state is at the same energy, so

$$E_{13} = \frac{(1.054 \times 10^{-34})^2 (\pi)^2 (3^2 + 2^2 + 3^2)}{2(9.11 \times 10^{-31})(12 \times 10^{-10})^2} = 9.194 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\text{or } E_{13} = \frac{9.194 \times 10^{-19}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 5.746 \text{ eV}$$

The 14<sup>th</sup> electron would occupy the quantum state  $n_x = 2, n_y = 3, n_z = 3$ . This state is at the same energy, so

$$E_F = 5.746 \text{ eV}$$

### 3.38

The probability of a state at  $E_1 = E_F + \Delta E$  being occupied is

$$f_1(E_1) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E_1 - E_F}{kT}\right)} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E}{kT}\right)}$$

The probability of a state at  $E_2 = E_F - \Delta E$  being empty is

$$1 - f_2(E_2) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E_2 - E_F}{kT}\right)}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta E}{kT}\right)} = \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-\Delta E}{kT}\right)}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta E}{kT}\right)}$$

or

$$1 - f_2(E_2) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E}{kT}\right)}$$

so  $f_1(E_1) = 1 - f_2(E_2)$  Q.E.D.

### 3.39

(a) At energy  $E_1$ , we want

$$\frac{\frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{E_1 - E_F}{kT}\right)} - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E_1 - E_F}{kT}\right)}}{1} = 0.01$$

0.02 =  $\exp\left[\frac{-0.25}{kT}\right]$

or  $\exp\left[\frac{+0.25}{kT}\right] = \frac{1}{0.02} = 50$

$\frac{0.25}{kT} = \ln(50)$

or

$$kT = \frac{0.25}{\ln(50)} = 0.063906 = (0.0259)\left(\frac{T}{300}\right)$$

which yields  $T = 740$  K

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or

$$\frac{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E_1 - E_F}{kT}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{E_1 - E_F}{kT}\right)} - 1 = 0.01$$

Then

$$E_1 = E_F + kT \ln(100)$$

or

$$E_1 = E_F + 4.6kT$$

(b)

$$\text{At } E = E_F + 4.6kT,$$

$$f(E_1) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E_1 - E_F}{kT}\right)} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(4.6)}$$

which yields

$$f(E_1) = 0.00990 \cong 0.01$$


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### 3.40

(a)

$$f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(E - E_F)}{kT}\right] = \exp\left[\frac{-(5.80 - 5.50)}{0.0259}\right] \\ = 9.32 \times 10^{-6}$$

(b)  $kT = (0.0259)\left(\frac{700}{300}\right) = 0.060433$   
eV

$$f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-0.30}{0.060433}\right] = 6.98 \times 10^{-3}$$

(c)  $1 - f_F \cong \exp\left[\frac{-(E_F - E)}{kT}\right]$

### 3.41

(a)

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{7.15 - 7.0}{0.0259}\right)} = 0.00304$$

or 0.304%

(b) At  $T = 1000$  K,  $kT = 0.08633$  eV  
Then

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{7.15 - 7.0}{0.08633}\right)} = 0.1496$$

or 14.96%

(c)

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{6.85 - 7.0}{0.0259}\right)} = 0.997$$

or 99.7%

(d)

At  $E = E_F$ ,  $f(E) = \frac{1}{2}$  for all  
temperatures

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### 3.42

(a) For  $E = E_1$

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E_1 - E_F}{kT}\right)} \cong \exp\left[\frac{-(E_1 - E_F)}{kT}\right] \quad f(E) = 9.32 \times 10^{-6}$$

At  $E = E_2$ ,  
 $E_F - E_2 = 1.42 - 0.3 = 1.12$  eV  
So

Then

$$f(E_1) = \exp\left(\frac{-0.30}{0.0259}\right) = 9.32 \times 10^{-6}$$

For  $E = E_2$ ,  
 $E_F - E_2 = 1.12 - 0.30 = 0.82$  eV

Then

$$1 - f(E) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{-0.82}{0.0259}\right)}$$

or

$$1 - f(E) = \exp\left[\frac{-(E_F - E_2)}{kT}\right]$$

$$= \exp\left(\frac{-1.12}{0.0259}\right)$$

or

$$1 - f(E) = 1.66 \times 10^{-19}$$

(b) For  $E_F - E_2 = 0.4$ ,  
 $E_1 - E_F = 1.02$

eV

At  $E = E_1$ ,

$$1 - f(E) \cong 1 - \left[1 - \exp\left(\frac{-0.82}{0.0259}\right)\right] \\ = \exp\left(\frac{-0.82}{0.0259}\right) = 1.78 \times 10^{-14}$$

(b) For  $E_F - E_2 = 0.4$  eV,

$$E_1 - E_F = 0.72$$
 eV

At  $E = E_1$ ,

$$f(E) = \exp\left[\frac{-(E_1 - E_F)}{kT}\right] = \exp\left(\frac{-0.72}{0.0259}\right)$$

or

$$f(E) = 8.45 \times 10^{-13}$$

At  $E = E_2$ ,

$$1 - f(E) = \exp\left[\frac{-(E_F - E_2)}{kT}\right] \\ = \exp\left(\frac{-0.4}{0.0259}\right)$$

or

$$1 - f(E) = 1.96 \times 10^{-7}$$

### 3.43

(a) At  $E = E_1$

$$f(E) = \exp\left[\frac{-(E_1 - E_F)}{kT}\right] = \exp\left(\frac{-0.30}{0.0259}\right)$$

or

$$f(E) = \exp\left[\frac{-(E_1 - E_F)}{kT}\right] = \exp\left(\frac{-1.02}{0.0259}\right)$$

or

$$f(E) = 7.88 \times 10^{-18}$$

At  $E = E_2$ ,

$$1 - f(E) = \exp\left[\frac{-(E_F - E_2)}{kT}\right] \\ = \exp\left(\frac{-0.4}{0.0259}\right)$$

or  $1 - f(E) = 1.96 \times 10^{-7}$

### 3.44

$$f(E) = \left[1 + \exp\left(\frac{E - E_F}{kT}\right)\right]^{-1}$$

so

$$\frac{df(E)}{dE} = (-1) \left[1 + \exp\left(\frac{E - E_F}{kT}\right)\right]^{-2} \\ \times \left(\frac{1}{kT}\right) \exp\left(\frac{E - E_F}{kT}\right)$$

or

$$\frac{df(E)}{dE} = \frac{\left(\frac{-1}{kT}\right) \exp\left(\frac{E-E_F}{kT}\right)}{\left[1 + \exp\left(\frac{E-E_F}{kT}\right)\right]^2}$$

(a) At  $T = 0$  K, For

$$E < E_F \Rightarrow \exp(-\infty) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{df}{dE} = 0$$

$$E > E_F \Rightarrow \exp(+\infty) = +\infty \Rightarrow \frac{df}{dE} = 0$$

$$\text{At } E = E_F \Rightarrow \frac{df}{dE} = -\infty$$

(b) At  $T = 300$  K,  $kT = 0.0259$  eV

$$\text{For } E \ll E_F, \frac{df}{dE} = 0$$

$$\text{For } E \gg E_F, \frac{df}{dE} = 0$$

$$\text{At } E = E_F,$$

$$\frac{df}{dE} = \frac{\left(\frac{-1}{0.0259}\right)(1)}{(1+1)^2} = -9.65$$

$$(\text{eV})^{-1}$$

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E-E_F}{kT}\right)} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E_g}{2kT}\right)}$$

$$\text{Si: } E_g = 1.12 \text{ eV},$$

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left[\frac{1.12}{2(0.0259)}\right]}$$

or

$$f(E) = 4.07 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$\text{Ge: } E_g = 0.66 \text{ eV}$$

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left[\frac{0.66}{2(0.0259)}\right]}$$

or

$$f(E) = 2.93 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{GaAs: } E_g = 1.42 \text{ eV}$$

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left[\frac{1.42}{2(0.0259)}\right]}$$

or

$$f(E) = 1.24 \times 10^{-12}$$

(b) Using the results of Problem 3.38, the answers to part (b) are exactly the same as those given in part (a).

(c) At  $T = 500$  K,  $kT = 0.04317$  eV

$$\text{For } E \ll E_F, \frac{df}{dE} = 0$$

$$\text{For } E \gg E_F, \frac{df}{dE} = 0$$

$$\text{At } E = E_F,$$

$$\frac{df}{dE} = \frac{\left(\frac{-1}{0.04317}\right)(1)}{(1+1)^2} = -5.79 \text{ (eV)}^{-1}$$

### 3.46

$$(a) f_F = \exp\left[\frac{-(E-E_F)}{kT}\right]$$

$$10^{-8} = \exp\left[\frac{-0.60}{kT}\right]$$

$$\text{or } \frac{0.60}{kT} = \ln(10^{-8})$$

$$kT = \frac{0.60}{\ln(10^{-8})} = 0.032572 \text{ eV}$$

$$0.032572 = (0.0259) \left( \frac{T}{300} \right)$$

### 3.45

(a) At  $E = E_{midgap}$ ,

so  $T = 377 \text{ K}$

$$(b) 10^{-6} = \exp\left[\frac{-0.60}{kT}\right]$$

$$\frac{0.60}{kT} = \ln(10^{-6})$$

$$kT = \frac{0.60}{\ln(10^6)} = 0.043429$$

$$0.043429 = (0.0259)\left(\frac{T}{300}\right)$$

or  $T = 503 \text{ K}$

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### 3.47

(a) At  $T = 200 \text{ K}$ ,

$$kT = (0.0259)\left(\frac{200}{300}\right) = 0.017267 \text{ eV}$$

$$f_F = 0.05 = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{E - E_F}{kT}\right)}$$

$$\exp\left(\frac{E - E_F}{kT}\right) = \frac{1}{0.05} - 1 = 19$$

$$E - E_F = kT \ln(19) = (0.017267) \ln(19) \\ = 0.05084 \text{ eV}$$

By symmetry, for  $f_F = 0.95$ ,

$$E - E_F = -0.05084 \text{ eV}$$

$$\text{Then } \Delta E = 2(0.05084) = 0.1017 \text{ eV}$$

(b)  $T = 400 \text{ K}$ ,  $kT = 0.034533 \text{ eV}$

For  $f_F = 0.05$ , from part (a),

$$E - E_F = kT \ln(19) = (0.034533) \ln(19) \\ = 0.10168 \text{ eV}$$

$$\text{Then } \Delta E = 2(0.10168) = 0.2034 \text{ eV}$$


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