

# ECE 320 - Homework #2

Semiconductors, PN Junction. Due Monday, January 22, 2018

## Semiconductors

1) What is the difference between n-type, p-type, and intrinsic silicon?

2) An 0805 resistor is made out of silicon with dimensions

- Width & height: 1.25mm x 1.25mm
- Length: 2mm

What does the doping level need to be to make this a 10k resistor using Boron (p-type semiconductor)?

3) A thermistor (i.e. a piece of silicon) has the following temperature - resistance relationship:

$$R = 1000 \cdot \exp\left(\frac{3903}{T} - \frac{3903}{298}\right) \Omega$$

where T is the temperature in degrees Kelvin. In Matlab (or similar program),

- Plot the resistance vs. temperature from -30C to +30C (243K to 303K)
- Plot the voltage for the voltage divider shown below

4) If the voltage at the voltage divider is 6.00V, what is the temperature?

## PN Junction

5) Will current flow in the following circuit if

- $V_{in} = +3V$ ? Why?
- $V_{in} = -3V$ ? Why?

6) Does this behave like a pn junction if

- The temperature is really low (say, -100C)? Why?
- The temperature is really high (say, +300C)? Why?

