

Fundamentals of Nanotransistors

L3.1 Quiz

ANSWERS

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Lecture 3.1: Introduction (thermionic emission theory of the ballistic MOSFET)

- 1) Assuming Maxwell-Boltzmann statistics, what is the probability that an electron in thermal equilibrium at a temperature, T , can hop over an energy barrier of height ΔE ?
 - a) $e^{-(E_F - \Delta E)/k_B T}$
 - b) $e^{-(\Delta E - E_F)/k_B T}$
 - c) $e^{-\Delta E/k_B T}$
 - d) $e^{+\Delta E/k_B T}$
 - e) $e^{-(\Delta E - E_C)/k_B T}$
- 2) What are the dimensions of the quantity, $(U_T L)/(2(k_B T/q))$?
 - a) cm/s
 - b) cm²/s
 - c) cm/(V-s)
 - d) cm²/(V-s)
 - e) C/cm²
- 3) Which of the following is true of the saturation current of a ballistic MOSFET? (Assume nondegenerate carrier statistics.)
 - a) $I_{DSAT} \propto (V_{GS} - V_T)^{1/2}$
 - b) $I_{DSAT} \propto (V_{GS} - V_T)$
 - c) $I_{DSAT} \propto (V_{GS} - V_T)^{3/2}$
 - d) $I_{DSAT} \propto (V_{GS} - V_T)^2$
 - e) $I_{DSAT} \propto (V_{GS} - V_T)^{5/2}$