

Fundamentals of Nanotransistors

L4.2 Quiz

ANSWERS

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Lecture 4.2: Transmission

- 1) How is the mean-free-path, $L(E) = v(E)t(E)$ related to the mean-free-path for backscattering, $l(E)$?
- a) $L(E) = l(E)$ (They are different names for the same quantity.)
 - b) $L(E) < l(E)$.**
 - c) $L(E) > l(E)$.
 - d) $L(E)$ is the mfp in a metal and $l(E)$ is the mfp in a semiconductor.
 - e) $L(E)$ is the mfp assuming Fermi-Dirac statistics, and $l(E)$ is the mfp assuming Maxwell-Boltzmann statistics.
- 2) In a region with a very strong accelerating electric field but that is many mfps long, what is the transmission?
- a) $\mathcal{T}(E) \ll 1$
 - b) $\mathcal{T}(E) \gg 1$**
 - c) $\mathcal{T}(E) > 1$
 - d) $\mathcal{T}(E) = 0.0$
 - e) $\mathcal{T}(E) \gg 0.5$
- 3) In a structure that consists of a region of length, L_{low} , with no electric field followed by a region of length, L_{high} , with a very high accelerating electric field, approximately what is the overall transmission?
- a) $\mathcal{T}(E) \gg \frac{l(E)}{l(E) + L_{low}}$**
 - b) $\mathcal{T}(E) \gg \frac{l(E)}{l(E) + L_{high}}$
 - c) $\mathcal{T}(E) \approx \left(\frac{l(E)}{l(E) + L_{low}} \right) + \left(\frac{l(E)}{l(E) + L_{high}} \right)$
 - d) $\mathcal{T}(E) \approx \left(\frac{l(E)}{l(E) + L_{low}L_{high}/(L_{low} + L_{high})} \right)$
 - e) $\mathcal{T}(E) \gg \frac{l(E)}{l(E) + (L_{low} + L_{high})}$