

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

THE PHYSICS OF SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES - 83882

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HU Credits: 5

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Applied Physics

Academic year: 0

Semester: 1st Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: E. Safra

Course/Module Coordinator: Prof Uriel Levy

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Coordinator Office Hours: Coordinate in advance

Teaching Staff:

Prof. Uriel Levy,
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Course/Module description:

Fundamentals of crystal structure, refining processes of material and crystal growth, Semiconductor intrinsic and extrinsic, electrons and free holes - charge carriers majority and minority, regeneration processes - recombination, mobility, diffusion, life time and diffusion distance of free charge carriers, equation of flow and continuity, energy bands model, density of modes , probabilities of Entry, effective mass, semiconductor intrinsic and extrinsic at equilibrium, diode junction and the principle of operation, typical current voltage of diode junction, Schottky diode, metal contacts - semiconductor switching diode, diode hacking mechanism , field effect transistor, working principle and characteristic .

Course/Module aims:

- Introduction
- Classification of solids and crystals.
- Equilibrium properties of semiconductors.
- Carriers' transport in semiconductors.
- Scattering mechanisms and carriers' mobility.
- Nonequilibrium excess carriers in semiconductors.
- Experimental techniques for semiconductors' characterization.
- Introduction to quantum theory of solids.
- Semiconductors' statistics and energy band theory.
- PN junction
- Transistors

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

Learn basic physical principles of semiconductors

Learn semiconductor components

Attendance requirements(%):

None

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lecture + Tutorial

Course/Module Content:

See course description

Required Reading:

NONE

Additional Reading Material:

- *A.Bar-Lev, "Physics of Semiconductor and Semiconductor Devices".*
- *D.Neamen, "Semiconductor Physics and Devices. Basic Principles".*

Grading Scheme:

Written / Oral / Practical Exam 80 %

Submission assignments during the semester: Exercises / Essays / Audits / Reports / Forum / Simulation / others 20 %

Additional information:

*To take the Final Exam you need to submit
at least 80% of the Home Works*