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# ABSTRACT

## ABSTRACT

Measurements of the electrical properties of iron-doped indium phosphide single crystals which have been pulled from the melt by the liquid encapsulation Czochralski technique have been investigated using aluminium and gold electrode combinations. Samples with two aluminum electrodes showed ohmic conduction at low applied voltage. Above a threshold voltage  $V_t$  a power law dependence of current density on applied voltage was observed indicating space-charge limited conductivity. The results were accounted for in terms of an exponential distribution of traps  $N(E) = N_0 \exp(-E/kT_t)$  where typically  $N_0 = 3 \times 10^{41} \text{ J}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-3}$  and  $T_t = 852 \text{ K}$ . Measurements of current density-temperature characteristics yielded voltage variable slopes on plots of the  $\log J$  as a function of  $1/T$ , in accordance with the theory for exponential trap distribution. Measuring parameters for InP:Fe were; electron mobility  $0.18 \text{ m}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and a thermally generated electron concentration  $n$  in the conduction band at room temperature of about  $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ m}^{-3}$ .

Samples having one electrode of each metal showed different behaviour. At low voltages ( $V \leq 400$  mV) under forward bias (aluminium electrode negative), Schottky diode behaviour was observed. At applied voltages greater than 400mV, the forward characteristics showed a similar overall trend to that of Al/InP:Fe/Al samples i.e ohmic conduction followed by space-charge limited conductivity controlled by an exponential trap distribution. Under reverse bias, the conduction processes were interpreted in terms of both the Poole-Frenkel and Schottky effects. Barrier height and widths were determined as a function of applied voltage. The results showed that with the increase of voltage, the barrier width increased appreciably but the barrier height retained almost the same value. The Schottky barrier capacitance of Al/InP:Fe/Au samples was measured as a function of voltage in the range -0.6 to +0.6V at room temperature and analysed in terms of existing theory. Results obtained showed linear dependence of  $C^{-2}$  on  $V$ , with barrier heights in the range 0.65 - 0.77eV, and charge carrier concentrations of

$(5.3-8.2) \times 10^{21} \text{ m}^{-3}$  which were mainly traps.

Measurements were made of the ac properties of InP:Fe using aluminium electrodes. These were performed over a frequency range of  $5 \times 10^3 \text{ Hz}$  to  $1 \times 10^5 \text{ Hz}$  at temperatures in the range 302 to 398K. The ac conductivity  $\sigma(\omega)$  was found to vary with angular frequency  $\omega$  as  $\omega^s$ , where  $s \leq 1$  at lower temperatures and higher frequencies. At higher temperatures and lower frequencies free band conductivity observed. Capacitance and loss tangent were found to decrease with increasing frequency and increase with increasing temperature, in good qualitative agreement with existing equivalent circuit model (see section 3-5) assuming ohmic contacts.

# CHAPTER I

## INTRODUCTION