

Carrier Concentrations

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- Equilibrium – Simplified Carrier Concentrations

$$n = n_i^{(E_F - E_i)/KT}$$

$$p = n_i^{(E_i - E_F)/KT}$$

$$np = n_i^2$$

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- Equilibrium – Charge Neutrality
 - Donor sites leave behind positively charged ions
 - Acceptor sites create negatively charged ions

$$qp - qn + qN_D^+ - qN_A^- = 0$$
$$p - n + N_D^+ - N_A^- = 0$$

- Assuming full ionization

$$N_D^+ = N_D$$

$$N_A^- = N_A$$

$$p - n + N_D - N_A = 0$$

Carrier Concentrations

- Equilibrium – Doped Semiconductors

- N-Type

$n = N_D$ Majority carrier

$p = n_i^2/N_D$ Minority carrier

- P-Type

$p = N_A$ Majority carrier

$n = n_i^2/N_A$ Minority carrier