

# Solutions to Exercise: Diffusion

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## 0. Constants and Default Values

Space and Time units in this section are  $\mu\text{m}$  and  $\text{ns}$ !

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In[77]:= Uth =  $\frac{Ck T}{Cq}$ ;
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In[78]:= DEFAULTS = {d → 300, VDep → 100,  
    T → 300,  $\mu e$  → 128, Ecrit → 0.7,  
    Ck →  $1.3806503 \times 10^{-23}$ , Cq →  $1.60218 \times 10^{-19}$ };  
(*Ck in  $\frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} = \frac{\text{V} \cdot \text{C}}{\text{K}}$ ,  $\mu e$  in  $\frac{\mu\text{m}^2}{\text{V ns}}$ ,  
 $\mu e$  and Ecrit for electrons*)
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In[79]:= SetOptions[Plot,  
    {Frame → True, Filling → Axis}];
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## 1. Field E(x)

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In[80]:= Clear[VDep, d, V, Field, Tdrift,  $\sigma$ ]
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In[81]:= Field[x_, V_] =  
     $\frac{2 VDep}{d} \frac{(d - x)}{d} + \frac{V - VDep}{d}$  // Simplify
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Out[81]:=  $\frac{d (V + VDep) - 2 VDep x}{d^2}$ 
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In[82]:= V ==  $\int_0^d$  Field[x, V]  
dx (* Check that integral is ok *)
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Out[82]= True
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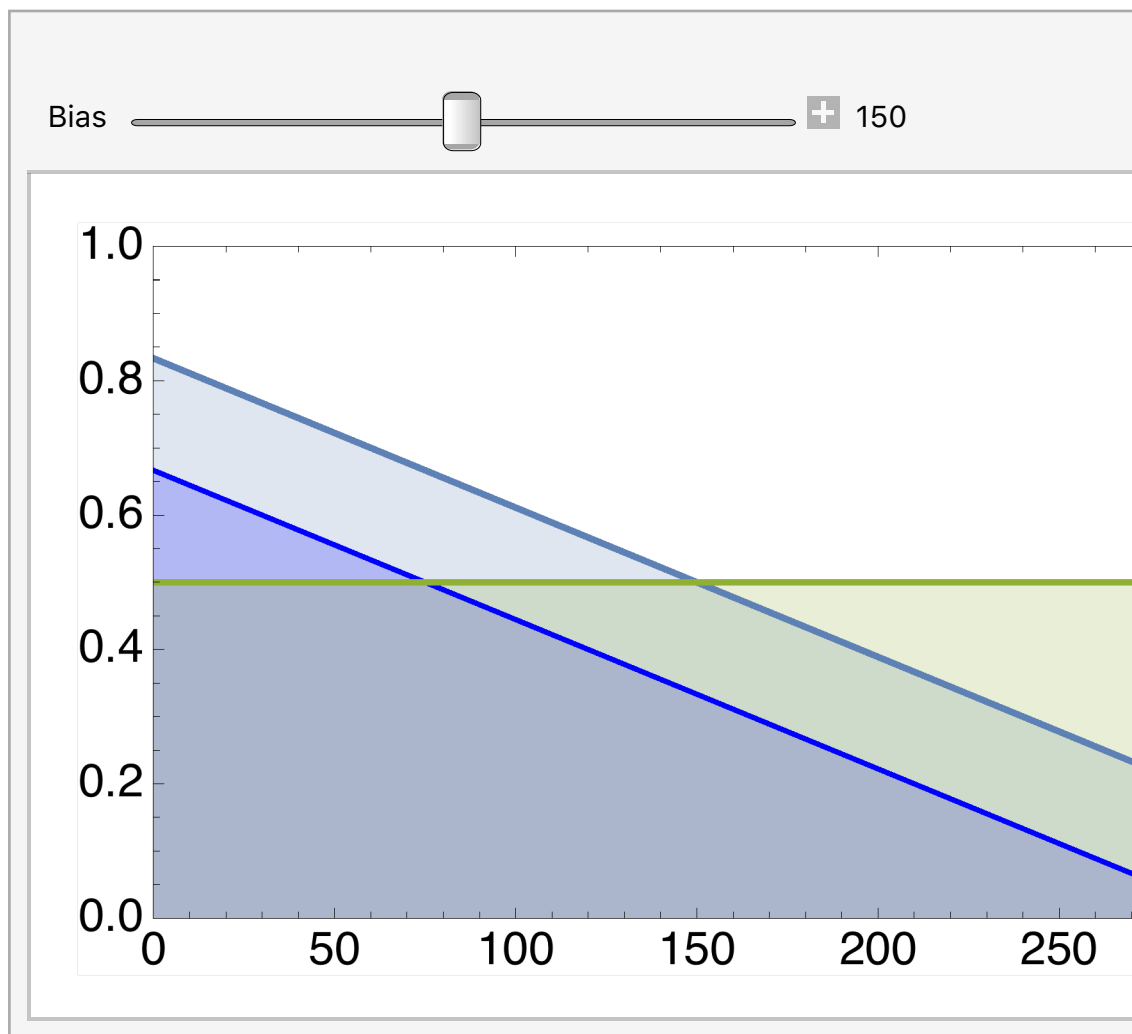
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In[83]:= FieldAverage[V_] = V / d;  
(* we need this later *)
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In[85]:= Manipulate[
  Show[Plot[Evaluate[{Field[x , V],
    Field[x , VDep], FieldAverage[V]} /.
    {VDep → 100,d → 300}], {x, 0, 300},
    PlotRange → {0, 1}, ImageSize → Medium]]
, {{V, 150, "Bias"}, 100, 200,
  Appearance → "Labeled"}]

```

Out[85]=



## 2. Drift time

```
In[86]:= vconst[x_, V_] =  $\mu e$  Field[x, V]
          (* assume constant mobility *)
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Out[86]:= 
$$\frac{(d (V + VDep) - 2 VDep x) \mu e}{d^2}$$

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In[87]:= 0 == vconst[d, VDep]
          (* check that drift speed becomes
           zero at d just at depletion *)
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Out[87]:= True
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In[88]:= $Assumptions = d > 0 && start > 0 &&
          start < d && V > 0 && VDep > 0 && V > VDep;
```

$$v(x) = dx/dt \rightarrow dt = dx/v(x)$$

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In[89]:= DriftTimeConst[V_, start_] =
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$$\int_0^{\text{start}} \frac{dx}{vconst[x, V]} // \text{Simplify}$$

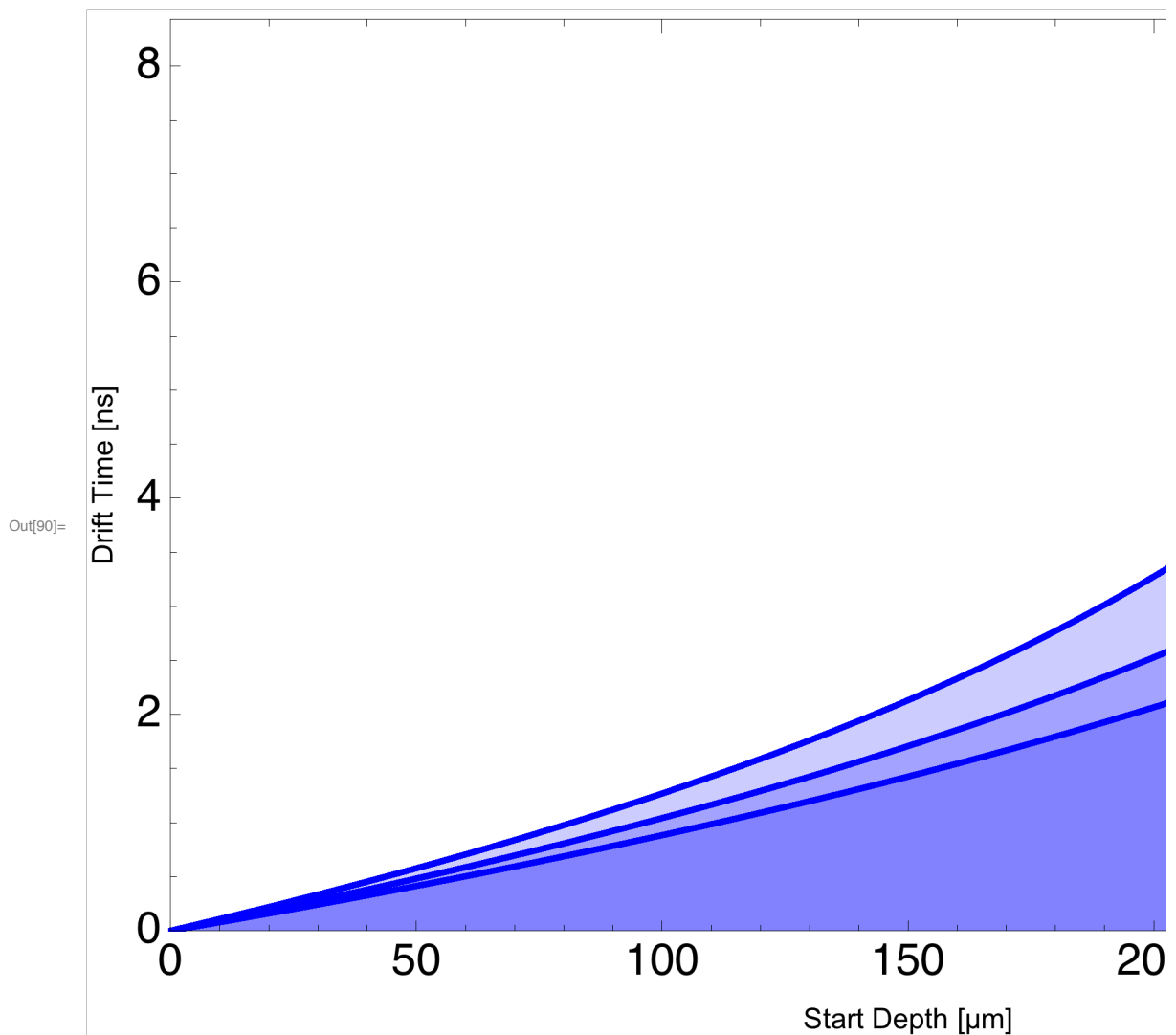
Out[89]:= 
$$\frac{d^2 \text{Log} \left[ \frac{d (V+VDep)}{-2 \text{start} VDep + d (V+VDep)} \right]}{2 VDep \mu e}$$

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In[90]:= Plot[Table[DriftTimeConst[V, x],
  {V, 120, 200, 40}] /. DEFAULTS,
  {x, 0, 300}, PlotRange → Full, FrameLabel →
  {"Start Depth [μm]", "Drift Time [ns]"}]
(* Plot drift time as a function
of the start position. Check
different voltages *)

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In[91]:= DriftTimeConst[200, 300] /. DEFAULTS //
N (* Typical case:
    200V and start at the other side *)
Out[91]= 3.86231
```

### 3. Case for $V = V_{Dep}$

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In[92]:= DriftTimeConst[VDep, start] // Simplify
(* See what happens just at depletion *)
Out[92]= 
$$\frac{d^2 \operatorname{Log}\left[\frac{d}{d-\text{start}}\right]}{2 V_{Dep} \mu e}$$

In[93]:= Limit[%, start → d] (* check that,
    just at depletion,
    charges never arrive when starting at d*)
Out[93]= 
$$\frac{\infty}{\mu e}$$

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### 4. Compare to Average Field Case

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In[94]:= Clear[vav]; vav[V_] = μe FieldAverage[V]
Out[94]= 
$$\frac{V \mu e}{d}$$

In[95]:= Clear[DriftTimeAverage]; DriftTimeAverage[V_, x_] = 
$$\frac{x}{vav[V]}$$

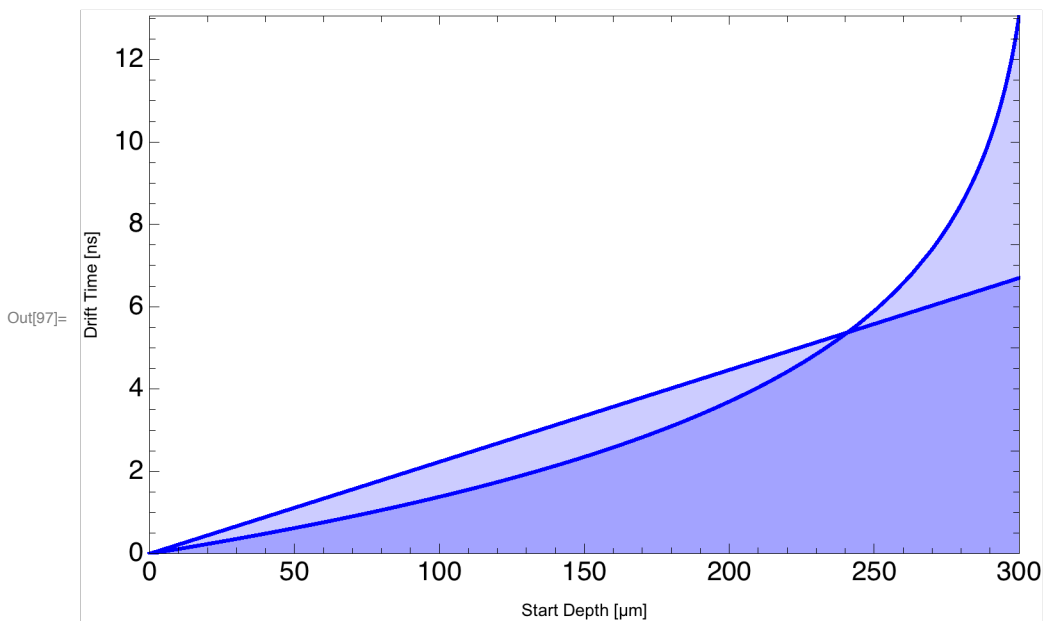
Out[95]= 
$$\frac{d x}{V \mu e}$$

In[96]:= 
$$\frac{\text{DriftTimeAverage}[V, x]}{\text{DriftTimeConst}[V, x]}$$

Out[96]= 
$$\frac{2 V_{Dep} x}{d V \operatorname{Log}\left[\frac{d (V+V_{Dep})}{d (V+V_{Dep}) - 2 V_{Dep} x}\right]}$$

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In[97]:= Plot[{DriftTimeAverage[V, x],
  DriftTimeConst[V, x]} /. V → 105 /.
  DEFAULTS, {x, 0, 300},
  PlotRange → Full, FrameLabel →
  {"Start Depth [μm]", "Drift Time [ns]"}]
(* When we start close to the
  junction (small x),
  real case is faster because field
  is high. For high voltages,
  triangular field effect is
  reduced and curves get closer *)
```



## 5. Sigma

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In[98]:= Clear[ChargeSigma];
ChargeSigma[V_] =  $\sqrt{2 \mu_e U_{th} \text{DriftTimeConst}[V, d]}$  // Simplify
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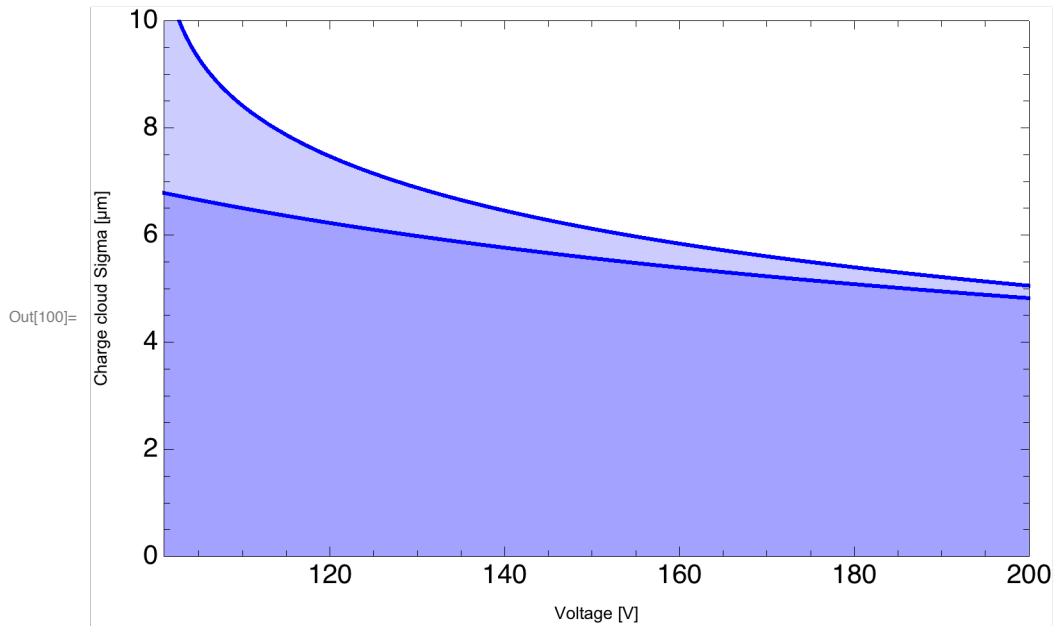
Out[98]=

$$\sqrt{\frac{Ck d^2 T \text{Log}\left[\frac{V+V_{Dep}}{V-V_{Dep}}\right]}{Cq V_{Dep}}}$$

```
In[99]:= AverageSigma[V_] =  $\sqrt{2 \mu_e U_{th} \text{DriftTimeAverage}[V, d]}$  // Simplify
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$$\text{Out[99]} = \sqrt{2} d \sqrt{\frac{Ck T}{Cq V}}$$

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In[100]:= Plot[{ChargeSigma[V], AverageSigma[V]} /. DEFAULTS, {V, 101, 200},
  PlotRange -> {0, 10}, FrameLabel -> {"Voltage [V]", "Charge cloud Sigma [μm]"}]
(* Real sigma is a bit larger than simple average model
(longer drift). Difference is smaller for high bias. *)
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## 6. Unused