

Differential Hall-Effect Spectroscopy (DHES)

for p-type semiconductor

The hole concentration $p(T)$ produced by n different acceptor species (density N_{Ai} and energy level E_{Ai}) and one donor (density N_D) is expressed by

$$p(T) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{N_{Ai}}{1 + g \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right)} - N_D. \quad (1)$$

The derivative $kT \cdot dp(T)/dE_F$ is derived as

$$\begin{aligned} kT \frac{dp(T)}{dE_F} &= -kT \sum_{i=1}^n N_{Ai} \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial E_F} \left[1 + g \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right) \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial(kT)} \left[1 + g \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right) \right] \frac{\partial(kT)}{\partial E_F}}{\left[1 + g \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right) \right]^2} \\ &= kT \sum_{i=1}^n N_{Ai} \frac{\frac{g}{kT} \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right) + g \frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{(kT)^2} \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right) \frac{\partial(kT)}{\partial E_F}}{\left[1 + g \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right) \right]^2} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n N_{Ai} \frac{g \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right)}{\left[1 + g \exp\left(\frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT}\right) \right]^2} \cdot \left[1 + \frac{E_{Ai} - E_F}{kT} \cdot \frac{\partial(kT)}{\partial E_F} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Since energy levels measured from the top of the valence band are described as

$$\Delta E_{Ai} = E_{Ai} - E_V \quad (3)$$

and

$$\Delta E_F = E_F - E_V, \quad (4)$$

the DHES signal is theoretically expressed by

$$DHES[\Delta E_F(T)] = \sum_{i=1}^n N_{Ai} \frac{g \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E_{Ai} - \Delta E_F}{kT}\right)}{\left[1 + g \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E_{Ai} - \Delta E_F}{kT}\right) \right]^2} \cdot \left[1 + \left(\frac{\Delta E_{Ai} - \Delta E_F}{kT}\right) \cdot \frac{\partial(kT)}{\partial \Delta E_F} \right]. \quad (5)$$

The function

$$N_{Ai} \frac{g \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E_{Ai} - \Delta E_F}{kT}\right)}{\left[1 + g \exp\left(\frac{\Delta E_{Ai} - \Delta E_F}{kT}\right) \right]^2}$$

has a maximum of

$$\frac{N_{Ai}}{4}$$

at $\Delta E_F = \Delta E_{Ai} + kT_{\max} \ln g$.