

- A. (2 pts) A p-n junction solar cell has  $V_{oc} = 0.5$  V and  $J_{sc} = 20$  mA/cm<sup>2</sup>. A second cell, of the same area, has  $V_{oc} = 0.6$  V and  $J_{sc} = 16$  mA/cm<sup>2</sup>. Assuming that both cells obey the ideal diode equation, find the values of  $V_{oc}$  and  $J_{sc}$  when the two are connected in (a) parallel and (b) series. Assume room temperature operation.
- B. (2 pts) A graphene sheet is placed on top of a 300 nm SiO<sub>2</sub> layer which is on top of a 0.4 mm Si wafer (p-type, with  $N_A = 10^{15}$  cm<sup>-3</sup>). Assume that the work function of the graphene equals that of the Si. A voltage of 100 V is applied across the structure, first with one polarity and then the other. In the depletion case, assume that the Si is of high quality and that no inversion channel forms. Hence a depletion layer forms whose width,  $W$ , is given by the usual expression,

$$W = \left( \frac{2K_s \epsilon_0 \phi_s}{q N_A} \right)^{1/2}$$

where  $\phi_s$  is the potential across the semiconductor. What are the magnitudes of the electric field obtained at the graphene/oxide interface for each polarity?

$q$	$1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ C	electron charge
$\epsilon_0$	$8.85 \times 10^{-14}$ F/cm	permittivity of free space
$K_s$	11.8 (Si)	relative dielectric constant
$K_o$	3.9 (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	relative dielectric constant
$k_B$	$8.617 \times 10^{-5}$ eV/K	Boltzman's constant
$h$	$6.63 \times 10^{-34}$ J s	Planck constant
$m_o$	$9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kg	electron mass
$k_B T / q$	0.0259 V at 300 K	thermal voltage
$c$	$3 \times 10^8$ m/s	speed of light

