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# Theoretical modelling of XBn T2SLs InAs/InAsSb/B-AlAsSb mid-wave detector operating below thermoelectrical cooling

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## ABSTRACT

The paper reports on the barrier mid-wave infrared InAs/InAsSb ( $x_{Sb} = 0.4$ ) type-II superlattice detector operating below thermoelectrical cooling. AlAsSb with Sb composition,  $x_{Sb} = 0.97$ ; barrier doping,  $N_D < 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  leading to valence band offset below 100 meV in relation to the active layer doping,  $N_D = 5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  was proved to be proper material not introducing extra barrier in valence band in the analyzed temperature range in XBn architectures. The detectivity of the simulated structure was assessed at the level of  $\sim 10^{11}$  Jones at  $T \sim 100 \text{ K}$  assuming absorber thickness,  $d = 3 \mu\text{m}$ . The detector's architecture for high frequency response operation,  $\tau_s = 420 \text{ ps}$  ( $T \sim 77 \text{ K}$ ) was presented with a reduced active layer of  $d = 1 \mu\text{m}$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Infrared detectors have many applications in civilian and military environment. Currently, many of these infrared (IR) applications require high-performance Mercury Cadmium Telluride (MCT) photodetectors. Due to higher cost of the MCT, antimonide-based type-II superlattices (T2SLs) have been proposed as an alternative with lower fabrication cost and better performance with low dark current due to the suppressed Auger generation-recombination (GR) rate and tunneling current [1,2]. It must be underlined that those theoretical predictions have not been reached yet. The limiting factor of the widely studied T2SLs InAs/GaSb is short minority carrier lifetime. That could be circumvented by "Ga-free" T2SLs InAs/InAsSb revealing very encouraging results in terms of the carrier lifetime  $\sim 400 \text{ ns}$  due to the strong suppression of nonradiative recombination [3–5]. Except material, it has been demonstrated that the XBn structure suppresses the dark current in IR photodetectors effectively through bandgap engineering [6]. The barrier layer in the XBn structure plays a decisive role and must be properly chosen in relation to the absorber layer in order not to introduce valence band offset (VBO) impeding carrier transport. In this paper, we demonstrate theoretical modelling of MWIR XBn photodetectors with T2SLs InAs/InAsSb active layer where the AlAsSb barrier was incorporated for operating below

thermoelectrical cooling. The detailed analysis of the barrier layer Sb composition ( $x_{Sb}$ ) and doping ( $n$ -type,  $N_D$ ) is presented. In addition two architectures with  $n$ - and  $p$ -type doping cap layers are being considered. It is shown that AlAsSb with  $x_{Sb} = 0.97$ ,  $n$ -type doping,  $N_D < 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  does not introduce extra barriers into the valence band of the T2SLs InAs/InAsSb XBn structure in relation to the  $n$ -type absorber,  $N_D = 5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ .

## 2. Simulation procedure and results

The nominal simulated T2SLs InAs/InAsSb/B-AlAsSb barrier structure is presented in Fig. 1. Both T2SLs InAs/InAsSb contact layers ( $0.2 \mu\text{m}$   $n/p$ -type,  $N_{D/A} = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  and  $0.1 \mu\text{m}$   $n$ -type  $5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ) and absorber ( $d = 3 \mu\text{m}$  – for detectivity optimization and  $d = 1 \mu\text{m}$  for high frequency response,  $N_D = 5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ) were assumed to have 5.2 nm (InAs) and 1.2 nm (InAsSb) with Sb composition,  $x_{Sb} = 0.4$  (T2SLs InAs/InAs<sub>0.6</sub>Sb<sub>0.4</sub>). The  $0.1 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $n$ -type,  $N_D = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  AlAsSb ( $x_{Sb} = 0.97$ ) barrier was introduced to the detector's structure. That material is assumed not to introduce any additional valence band in analyzed XBn structure.

Ohmic contacts are implemented as a Dirichlet boundary conditions, where the surface potential and electron and hole quasi-Fermi are fixed. The quasi-Fermi potentials for the electron ( $E_{fn}$ ) and holes ( $E_{fp}$ ) are equal and set to the applied bias ( $V$ ) of the electrode:

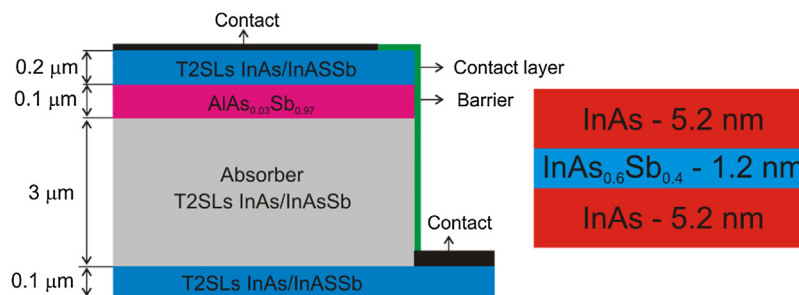
$$E_{fn} = E_{fp} = V. \quad (1)$$

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**Table 1**  
Material parameters taken in modelling of T2SLs InAs/InAsSb (active layer and contact layers).

Parameters	Symbols	GaAs	InAs	InSb	GaSb
Lattice constant	$a_T(\text{\AA}/\text{K})$	$3.88 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.74 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.48 \times 10^{-5}$	$4.72 \times 10^{-5}$
$a(T)=a(T=300\text{K})+a_T \times (T-300)$	$a(T=300\text{K})(\text{\AA})$	5.65325	6.0583	6.4794	6.0959
Bandgap	$\alpha(\text{meV}/\text{K})$	0.5405	0.276	0.32	0.417
$E_g^I(T)=$	$\beta(\text{K})$	204	93	170	140
$E_g^I(T=0\text{K}) - \frac{\alpha T^2}{T+\beta}$	$E_g^I(T=0\text{K})(\text{eV})$	1.519	0.417	0.25	0.812
Luttinger parameters	$\gamma_1$	7.05	20.0	34.8	13.4
	$\gamma_2$	2.35	8.5	15.5	4.7
	$\gamma_3$	3	9.2	16.5	6
Deformation potentials	$a_c(\text{eV})$	-7.17	-5.08	-6.94	-7.5
	$a_v(\text{eV})$	-1.16	-1	-0.36	-0.8
	$b(\text{eV})$	-2	-1.8	-2	-2
	$d(\text{eV})$	-4.8	-3.6	-4.7	-4.7
Elastic constant	$C_{11}(\text{GPa})$	1221	832.9	684.7	884.2
	$C_{12}(\text{GPa})$	566	452.6	373.5	402.6
	$C_{44}(\text{GPa})$	600	395.9	311.1	432.2
Spin-orbit energy	$\Delta_0(\text{eV})$	0.341	0.39	0.82	0.76
Kane potential	$E_p(\text{eV})$	23.81	21.5	24.08	24.76
Electron affinity	$\chi(\text{eV})$	4.07	4.9	4.59	4.06
Valence band offset	VBO(eV)	-0.8	-0.59	0	-0.03
Effective mass (0 K)	$\frac{m_e^*}{m_0}$	0.064	0.023	0.0138	0.038



**Fig. 1.** MWIR T2SLs InAs/InAsSb/B-AlAsSb barrier detector.

**Table 2**  
Bowling parameters for InAsSb.

Bowling parameters	$E_g^I(\text{eV})$	0.67
	$\Delta_0(\text{eV})$	1.2
	$m_e^*(T)/m_0$	0.035
	Vacuum energy levels of the valence band $E_{v,vac}(\text{eV})$	-0.47

Ohmic contacts in the simulation do not disrupt the area of simulation but allow a path for current flow.

In order to analyze the electro-optical properties (bandgap energy and effective masses in both plane and growth directions) of the T2SLs InAs/InAs<sub>0.6</sub>Sb<sub>0.4</sub> for photodetector applications, we used the finite difference method to discretize a  $8 \times 8$  kp Schrödinger Hamiltonian into a  $8N \times 8N$  matrix. The periodic boundary condition was applied with 1 period to form the T2SLs InAs/InAsSb. With consideration of the strain effect into the kp Hamiltonian, the band structure was obtained. The bandgap, effective mass and absorption of T2SLs InAs/InAs<sub>0.6</sub>Sb<sub>0.4</sub> are extracted from the dispersion curves. The absorption coefficient was calculated from the transition rate obtained by Fermi's Golden rule.

The material parameters assumed in T2SLs InAs/InAsSb modelling are presented in Tables 1 and 2 where bowling parameters for bandgap, spin-orbit energy, electron effective mass and vacuum energy levels of the valence band were shown while the XN barrier architecture parameters are presented in Table 3, respectively [7].

The T2SLs InAs/InAsSb bandgap energy vs. temperature and fitted Varshni [ $E_g(0\text{K})=0.26\text{eV}$ ,  $\alpha=2.5 \times 10^{-4}\text{K}^{-1}$  and  $\beta=34\text{K}$ ] equation are presented in Fig. 2(a) while electron and hole effective

masses are presented in Fig. 2(b). Within the analyzed temperature range,  $E_g$  decreases from 0.245 eV to 0.222 eV which corresponds to the cut-off wavelength ( $\lambda_c$ ),  $\lambda_c=5.06\ \mu\text{m}$  (80 K) and  $5.60\ \mu\text{m}$  (180 K). Electron effective mass decreases vs. temperature according to the relation:

$$m_e^*/m_0 = -2 \times 10^{-8}T^2 - 9 \times 10^{-6}T + 0.0202, \quad (2)$$

while hole stays nearly constant:

$$m_h^*/m_0 = 2 \times 10^{-7}T^2 - 7 \times 10^{-5}T + 0.2133. \quad (3)$$

The zero voltage carrier mobilities vs. temperature were simulated and the results are presented in Fig. 3(a). Electron mobility temperature dependence could be expressed by the relation:

$$\mu_e = 677.74 \times (1000/T)^{2.9978}, \quad (4)$$

while hole mobility temperature dependence is given by the formula:

$$\mu_h = 0.3121 \times (1000/T)^{2.9867}. \quad (5)$$

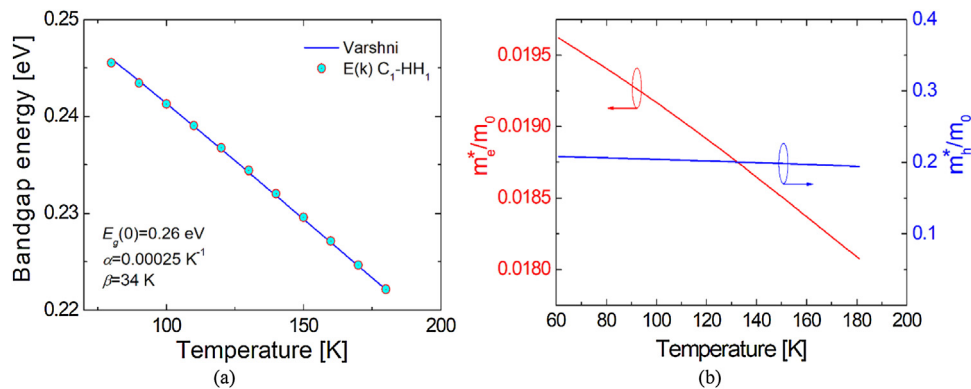
The zero bias mobility was calculated using the intrinsic semiconductor model. Those relations were incorporated into the Canali (Beta-model for the electric field-dependent mobility dependence) model in order to estimate carrier mobility function vs. voltage [8]:

$$\mu_{n,p} = \frac{\mu_{no,po}}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{\mu_{no,po}E}{V}\right)^{B_{n,p}}\right]^{1/B_{n,p}}}, \quad (6)$$

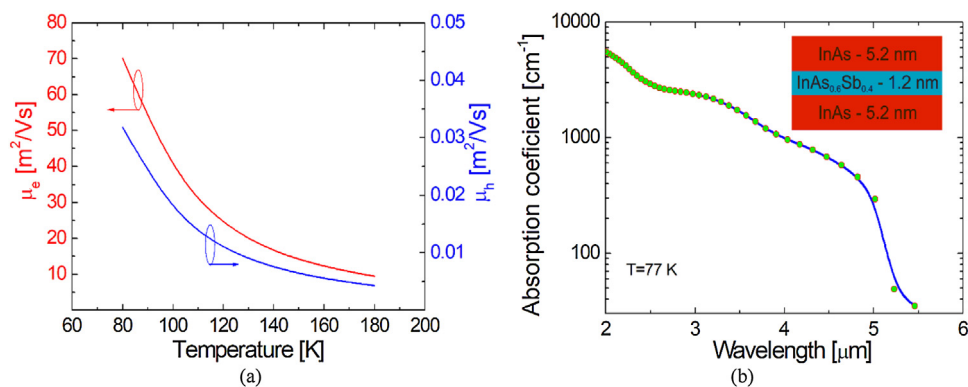
where:  $\mu_{no,po}$  temperature dependence is presented in Fig. 3(a) - zero bias mobility,  $B_n=2$ ,  $B_p=1$ , saturation electron velocity  $V=10^5$  m/s, normalizing electric field  $F=4 \times 10^5$  V/m. The Fermi's Golden

**Table 3**  
Parameters assumed in XBn barrier detector simulation.

Parameters	Contact layer	Barrier layer	Absorber layer	Contact layer
Doping, $N_{D/A}$ cm <sup>-3</sup>	$N_{D/A} = 10^{16}$	$N_D = 10^{16}$	$N_D = 5 \times 10^{15}$	$N_D = 5 \times 10^{17}$
Doping Gauss tail, $dx$ μm	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
Composition (InAsSb, AlAsSb), $x_{Sb}$	0.4	0.97	0.4	0.4
Thickness, $d$ μm	0.2	0.2	1–3	0.1
Electrical area, $A$ μm <sup>2</sup>	$100 \times 100$			
Overlap matrix, $F_1 F_2$	0.2	Auger coefficients: $C_n = 10^{-36}$ cm <sup>6</sup> /s; $C_p = 10^{-36}$ cm <sup>6</sup> /s	0.2	0.2
Trap energy level, $E_{Trap}$	$0.3 \times E_g$	$0.75 \times E_g$	$0.3 \times E_g$	$0.3 \times E_g$
Trap concentration, $N_{Trap}$ cm <sup>-3</sup>	$10^{13}$	$10^{13}$	$10^{13}$	$10^{13}$
SRH capture cross section, $\sigma_n/\sigma_p$ cm <sup>2</sup>	$5 \times 10^{-16}$	$10^{-16}$	$5 \times 10^{-16}$	$5 \times 10^{-16}$
Incident power density, $P$ W/m <sup>2</sup>	1			



**Fig. 2.** T2SLs InAs/InAsSb bandgap energy (a) and electron/hole effective masses (b) vs. temperature.



**Fig. 3.** T2SLs InAs/InAsSb zero voltage carrier mobility vs. temperature (a) and absorption coefficient (b) versus wavelength at  $T = 77$  K.

rule absorption coefficient dependence vs. wavelength is presented in Fig. 3(b) where for  $\lambda = 4$  μm and  $T = 77$  K assumes,  $\alpha = 1000$  cm<sup>-1</sup>.

The barrier detector structure was simulated with software APSYS by Crosslight Inc. using the bulk based two band model. The simulation incorporates both T2SLs InAs/InAsSb and barrier AlAsSb electrical and optical properties to estimate device performance taking into consideration radiative (RAD), Auger (AUG), Shockley-Read-Hall (SRH) GR mechanisms.

The XBn detector parameters implemented into APSYS drift-diffusion (DD) model are presented in Table 3. The RAD and AUG GR for T2SLs InAs/InAsSb rates were calculated as the average of RAD and AUG GR for bulk InAs and InAsSb ( $x_{Sb} = 0.4$ ). Overlap matrix,  $F_1 F_2$  for InAs and InAsSb AUG GR simulation was assumed at the level 0.2.

The proper choice of the barrier layer parameters to include doping and Sb composition in relation to the barrier layer is extremely important in terms of optimal performance of the XBn barrier detector. That is fully confirmed by Perez *et al.* where authors reported on T2SLs InAs/InAsSb with  $x_{Sb} = 0.35$ , non-intentionally

doped (nid),  $d_{InAs} = 4.1$  nm,  $d_{InAsSb} = 1.4$  nm MWIR [PL  $\lambda_c = 4.75$  μm ( $T = 80$  K), responsivity measurements 4.75–5.1 μm ( $T = 77$ –140 K)] barrier detector with AlAsSb (assumed  $x_{Sb} = 0.91$ , estimated  $x_{Sb} = 0.945$ ,  $n$ -type doping,  $N_D = 10^{17}$  cm<sup>-3</sup>) performance [9]. Below we present and confirm by theoretical simulation that barrier layer ( $x_{Sb} = 0.945$ ,  $n$ -type doping,  $N_D = 10^{17}$  cm<sup>-3</sup>) was not optimized to reach the utmost performance due to the reduction of the VBO.

The barrier layer's optimization vs. barrier composition and doping is presented in Fig. 4(a) and Fig. 4(b). Energy barriers in conduction band ( $E_C$ ) and valence band ( $E_V$ ) were simulated within the barrier composition range,  $x_{Sb} = 0.3$ –1 (barrier doping was assumed at the level of  $N_D = 10^{16}$  cm<sup>-3</sup>).

The presented results directly indicate the optimal barrier composition.  $E_C$  increases vs.  $x_{Sb}$  (0.3–1) from 0.45 eV to 1.40 eV while  $E_V$  decreases within the range 0.920 eV to 0.042 eV.

The barrier doping influence is also important and the performed simulations indicate that  $E_V$  is minimized and  $E_C$  maximized when both barrier and absorber  $n$ -type doping are comparable. The applied voltage reduces  $E_C$  and  $E_V$ . According

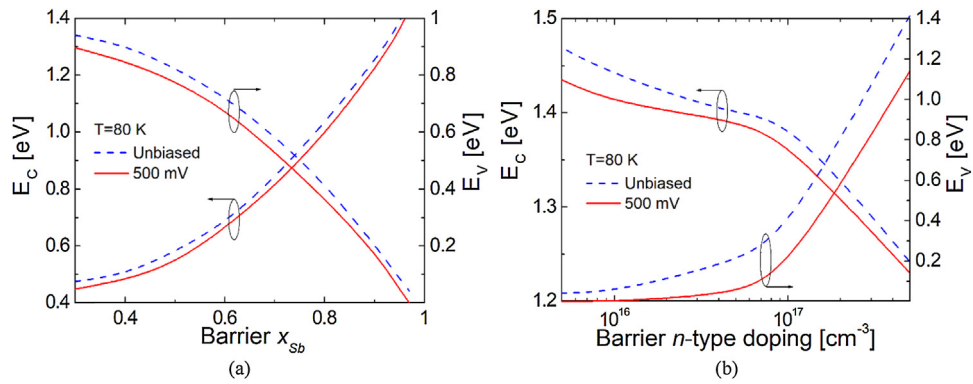


Fig. 4.  $E_C$  and  $E_V$  vs. barrier layer  $x_{sb}$  (a) and  $n$ -type doping (b) at 80 K for unbiased and 500 mV condition.

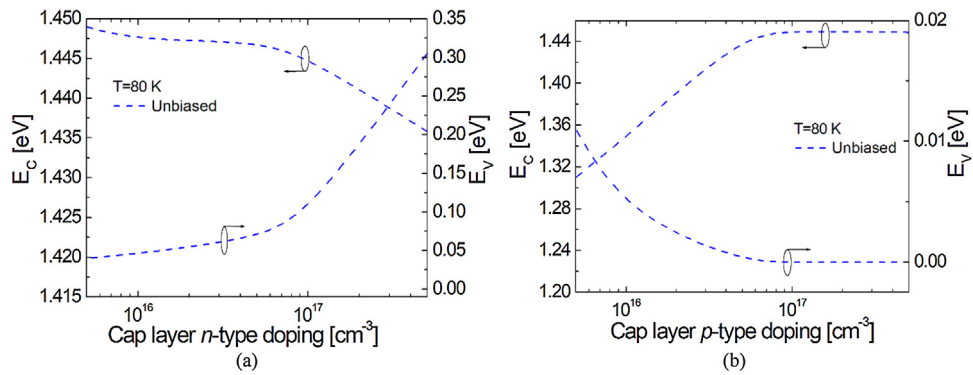


Fig. 5.  $E_C$  and  $E_V$  vs. cap layer  $n$ -type doping (a) and  $p$ -type doping (b) at 80 K for unbiased conditions.

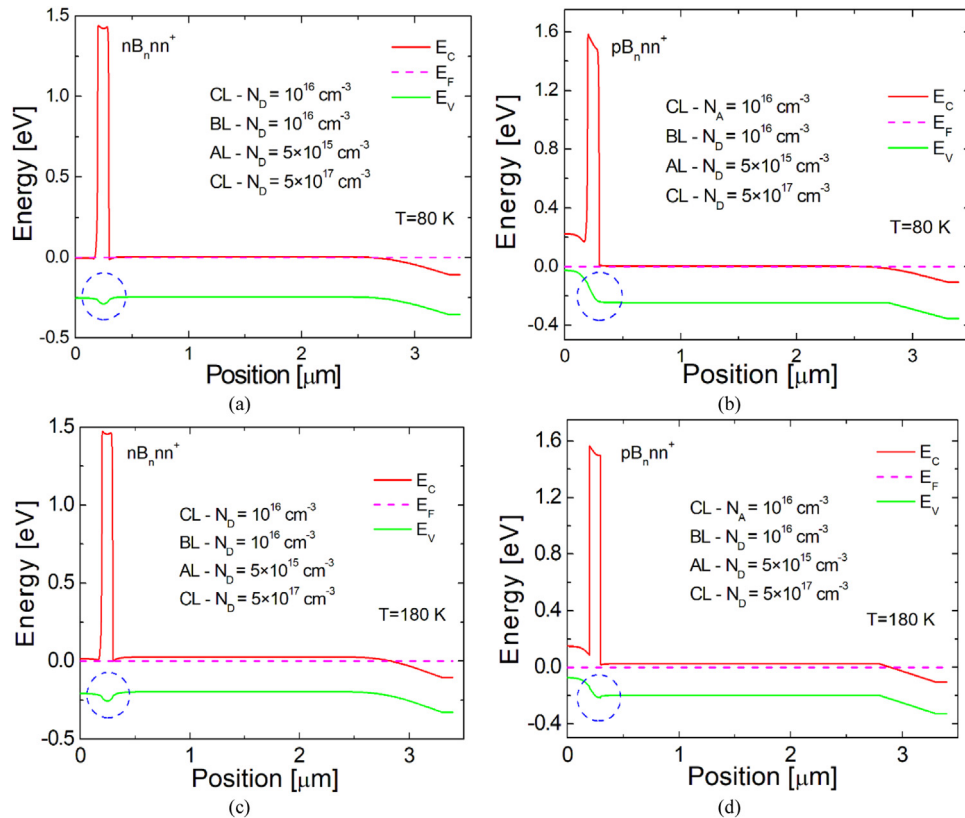
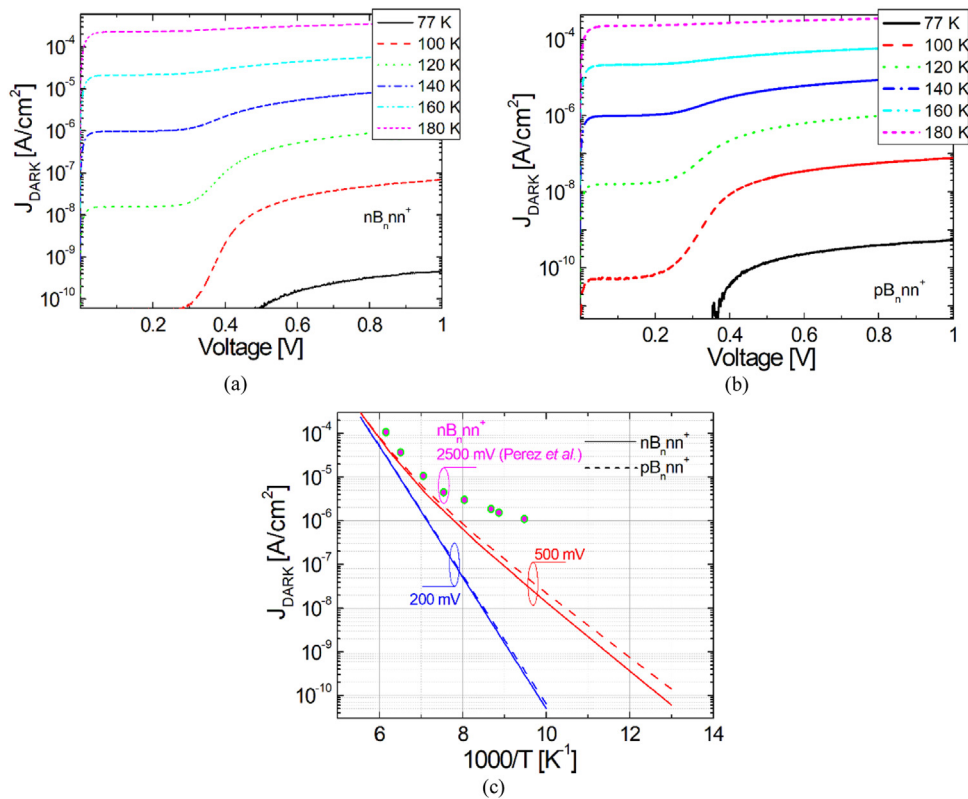
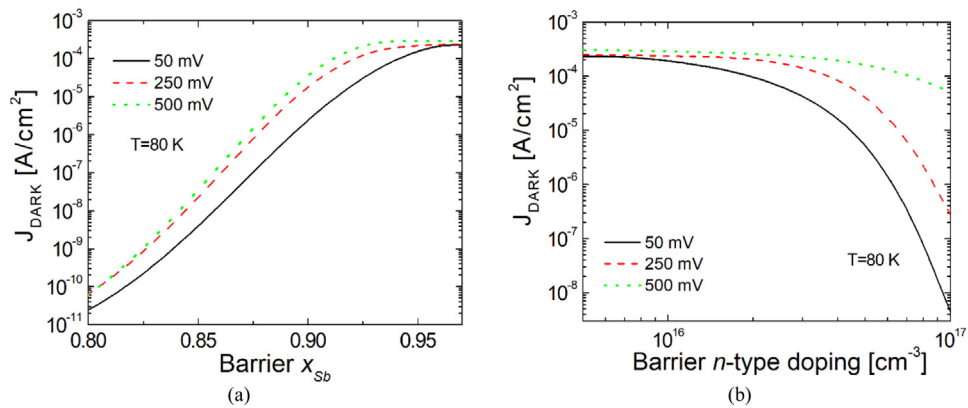


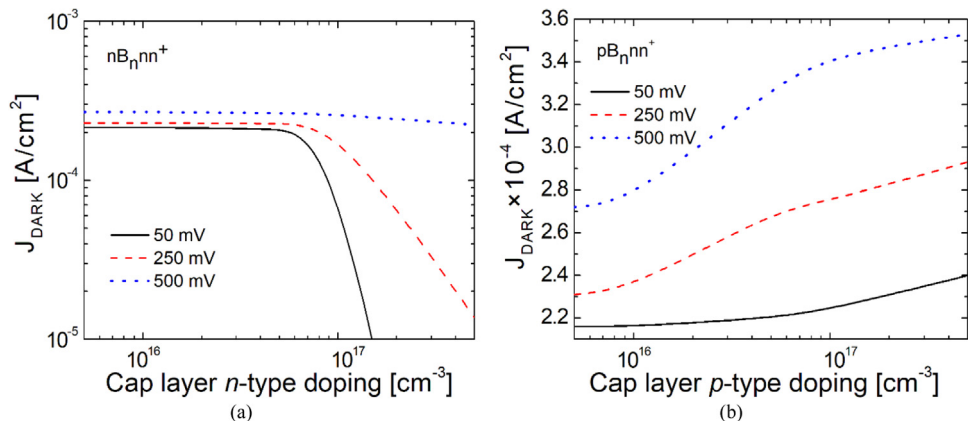
Fig. 6. Calculated energy levels diagram for MWIR T2SLs InAs/InAsSb/B-AlAsSb barrier structure for two XBn detector's architectures:  $nB_{nn^+}$  (a, c) and  $pB_{nn^+}$  (b, d) for unbiased condition simulated at  $T=80$  K and 180 K.



**Fig. 7.** Dark current for detector's architectures:  $nB_n nn^+$  (a) and  $pB_n nn^+$  (b) vs. voltage for selected temperatures: 77–180 K and vs. reciprocal temperature and selected voltages: 200 and 500 mV (c). Experimental results were presented after Perez et al. for  $V = 2500$  mV [9].



**Fig. 8.** Dark current for  $nB_n nn^+$  detector vs. barrier  $x_{Sb}$  (a) and barrier  $n$ -type doping (b) at 80 K and selected voltages 50, 250, 500 mV.



**Fig. 9.** Dark current for  $nB_n nn^+$  detector vs.  $n/p$ -type cap layer doping  $N_D$  (a) and  $pB_n nn^+$  vs. cap layer doping  $N_A$  (b) at 180 K and selected voltages 50, 250, 500 mV.

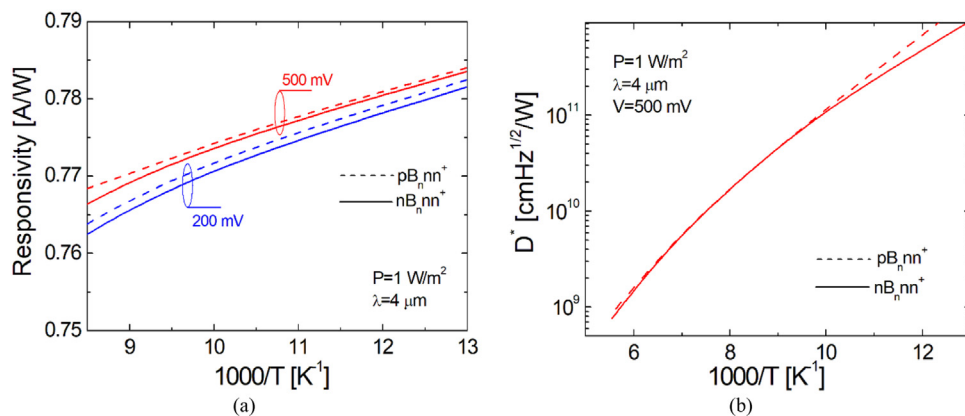


Fig. 10. Responsivity (a) and detectivity (b) for two detector's architectures:  $nB_n,nn^+$ / $pB_n,nn^+$  vs. reciprocal temperature and selected voltages: 200 mV and 500 mV.

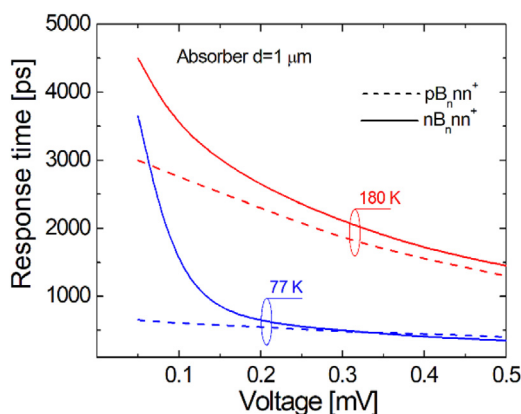


Fig. 11. Response time for two detector's architectures:  $nB_n,nn^+$  and  $pB_n,nn^+$  vs. voltage and selected temperatures: 77 K and 180 K.

to our simulation the barrier in valence band for  $x_{Sb}=0.97$  and  $N_D=10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  should assume  $E_V \sim 0.4 \text{ eV}$  for the unbiased structure leading to the suppression of the photocurrent and lowering performance. The similar parameters were assumed by Perez *et al.* for XBn device that requires high voltage,  $V \sim 2500 \text{ mV}$  (turn on voltage) to breach barrier in valence band [9].

The cap layer doping influence on  $E_C$  and  $E_V$  is presented in Fig. 5(a) and Fig. 5(b). Simulations were performed assuming barrier  $x_{Sb}=0.97$  and  $N_D=10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ . In order to minimize  $E_V$ , the  $n$ -type cap layer must meet the doping requirement  $N_D < 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  while for the  $p$ -type  $E_V$  for analyzed doping range ( $N_{D/A}=5 \times 10^{15} - 5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ) stays within 0 – 0.02 eV.

$E_V$  and  $E_C$  analysis is fully confirmed by simulated band profiles. Calculated energy levels for two architectures with different cap layers:  $nB_n,nn^+$  and  $pB_n,nn^+$  detectors are presented in Figs. 6(a)–6(d) for 80/180 K and unbiased condition, respectively. The T2SLs InAs/InAsSb electron affinity was simulated as an average of InAs and InAsSb ( $x_{Sb}=0.4$ ). For  $n$ -type contact layer an extra barrier in the valence band is visible while the barrier in the conduction band is close to  $\sim 1.5 \text{ eV}$ . Barrier in valence band for  $nB_n,nn^+$  at 80 K is  $\sim 50 \text{ meV}$  and for 180 K we observe  $\sim 60 \text{ meV}$  while for  $pB_n,nn^+$  the barrier in valence band is visible for 180 K assuming  $\sim 30 \text{ meV}$ .

Dark current ( $J_{DARK}$ ) characteristics vs. voltage and reciprocal temperature for the two detector architectures:  $nB_n,nn^+$  and  $pB_n,nn^+$  are presented in Figs. 7(a)–7(c). Since  $E_C$  is comparable for two analyzed architectures at 80 K dark current is determined by minority carrier transport assuming difference in the cap layer doping type,  $N_D=N_A=10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ . When  $E_C$  is compared for analyzed structures the  $E_V$  is nearly 10 times higher for  $nB_n,nn^+$  in comparison to

$pB_n,nn^+$  leading to the fact that  $J_{DARK}$  is slightly higher for  $pB_n,nn^+$  structure. The XBn structure presented by Perez *et al.* reaches dark current,  $J_{DARK} \sim 3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ A/cm}^2$  within the voltage range 0.5–1 V ( $T \sim 180 \text{ K}$ ) while comparable structure simulated in our paper assumes  $\sim 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A/cm}^2$  [Fig. 7(a)].

The similar relation is visible for  $T \sim 100 \text{ K}$  however both  $J_{DARK}$  stays within the range of  $10^{-8} - 10^{-7} \text{ A/cm}^2$  indicating on  $E_V$  barrier optimization [9]. Figure 7(c) presents Arrhenius plots for structure presented by Perez *et al.* ( $V=2500 \text{ mV}$ ) and simulated structure for  $V=200 \text{ mV}$  and  $500 \text{ mV}$ . These results also confirm the proper barrier optimization in simulated  $nB_n,nn^+$  structure.

The dark current dependence on barrier  $x_{Sb}$  and  $n$ -type doping is presented in Fig. 8(a) and Fig. 8(b) for three selected voltages: 50, 250 and 500 mV. The barrier  $x_{Sb}$  dependence on  $J_{DARK}$  was simulated assuming  $N_D=10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  while the barrier doping influence was estimated for  $x_{Sb}=0.97$ .

Antimony composition change in the barrier layer within the range 0.8 – 1.0 leads to the  $J_{DARK}$  increase by nearly seven orders of magnitude. The barrier layer doping increase from  $5 \times 10^{15}$  to  $10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  reduces  $J_{DARK}$  by more than four orders of magnitude.  $J_{DARK}$  stays nearly constant for  $N_D < 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  being comparable with absorber doping.

Dark current vs.  $n/p$ -type cap layer doping for three selected voltages: 50, 250, 500 mV is presented in Fig. 9(a) and Fig. 9(b). Assuming  $n$ -type cap layer  $N_D > 6 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $J_{DARK}$  decreases sharply for 50 and 250 mV while under 500 mV barrier in valence band is breached and  $J_{DARK}$  stays constant in analyzed  $n$ -type cap layer doping. In case of the  $p$ -type cap layer  $J_{DARK}$  increases indicating that  $E_V$  decreases in analyzed doping range.

Responsivity simulated for  $\lambda=4 \text{ micrometers}$  and power  $P=1 \text{ W/m}^2$  vs. reciprocal temperature is presented in Fig. 10(a). Responsivity increases vs.  $1/T$  and voltage. Assuming unity electric gain ( $g$ ), for  $\lambda=4 \text{ micrometers}$  and  $T=100 \text{ K}$ , the quantum efficiency ( $\eta$ ) is 24% according to the relation:  $\eta = \frac{hcR_i}{\lambda qg}$ , where  $h$  stands for the Planck constant,  $c$  is the light speed,  $q$  is the electric charge and  $R_i$  the current responsivity. Detectivity was calculated assuming Johnson-Nyquist and shot noises contributions according to the relation:

$$D^* = \frac{R_i}{\left(\frac{4k_B T}{RA} + 2qJ_{DARK}\right)^{0.5}}, \quad (7)$$

where:  $k_B$ ,  $R$ ,  $A$ , stand for the Boltzmann constant, the resistance and detector's electrical area ( $100 \times 100 \text{ micrometers}^2$ ). Scene influence was not included in the simulation.  $D^*$  vs. reciprocal temperature was presented in Fig. 10(b). Detectivity decreases vs. voltage and drops almost two orders of magnitude from  $\sim 7 \times 10^{11}$  to  $10^9 \text{ cmHz}^{1/2}/\text{W}$  within the temperature range of 80 – 190 K ( $V=500 \text{ mV}$ ).

Response time was derived of photocurrent dependence on time where time for  $\sim 1/e$  drop from photocurrent's maximum value was assessed. The model given by Li and Dutton was used [10]. Response time vs. voltage for both  $nB_nnn^+$  and  $pB_nnn^+$  architectures is presented in Fig. 11. Absorber thickness,  $d = 1 \mu\text{m}$  was assumed in simulations due to the low carriers mobility and diffusion length [see Fig. 3(a)]. The barrier influence is clearly visible where  $nB_nnn^+$  structure exhibits higher response time for bias  $< 150 \text{ meV}$ . At 77 K temperature response time ranges from 650 to 420 ps. Since electric field mostly drops at the barrier - absorber heterojunction, the response time is influenced by diffusion mechanism. The higher barrier in valence band at 180 K contributes to the longer response time.

### 3. Conclusions

We demonstrated theoretical modelling of MWIR XBn photodetectors with T2SLs InAs/InAsSb active layer where AlAsSb barrier ( $x_{Sb} = 0.97$  and  $N_D < 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ) was implemented. It was shown that material does not introduce extra barriers in valence band in analyzed XBn structure in relation to the  $n$ -type active layer  $N_D = 5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ . The detectivity of the simulated structure was assessed at the level of  $\sim 10^{11}$  Jones for  $T \sim 100 \text{ K}$ . In order to reach high frequency response of  $\sim 420 \text{ ps}$  the active layer must be thinned to the level of  $\sim 1 \mu\text{m}$  due to the low carrier mobility and diffusion length in T2SLs InAs/InAsSb active layer.

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