

Advanced Solid-State Devices

ECE 621, Spring 2025



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Course Time/Location: MW 14:00-15:15pm, location to be confirmed

Prerequisites

Physical Electronics (EE 324), Theory and Design of IC Devices (EE 327) or equivalent; or Consent.

Textbook (recommended)

B.G. Streetman & S.K. Banerjee, Solid State Electronic Devices, 7th edition, Pearson, 2015

ISBN: 9780133356113 (e-book), 9780133356038 (hardcover)

Course Description

The course will cover structure and fabrication, operating principles, state-of-the-art and novel developments of various solid-state device types used in the detection of ionizing and non-ionizing radiation, photovoltaics, optoelectronics, stimulated light emission, and quantum circuits.

Course Objectives

Through this course, the students will develop a comprehensive understanding of the following aspects:

- How fundamentals in electronics and semiconductor physics manifest and are utilized in solidstate devices
- Typical micro- and nanofabrication techniques and how they are applied
- State-of-the-art technologies in different device types
- What parameters define and what factors limit the performance of devices
- What materials and functionalities are needed to enable state-of-the art technologies and future advances
- Identifying current topics and trends for various solid-state devices in the scientific community

Course topics

- o Semiconductor detectors for charged particles, gamma rays and x-rays
- Photodiodes and photodetectors
- o Readout electronics in sensing/detection
- o Solar cells
- o Light-emitting diodes
- o Solid-state lasers
- Silicon photonics
- o Graphene, carbon nanostructures and 2D materials in IC devices
- o Devices and electronics in quantum circuits

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