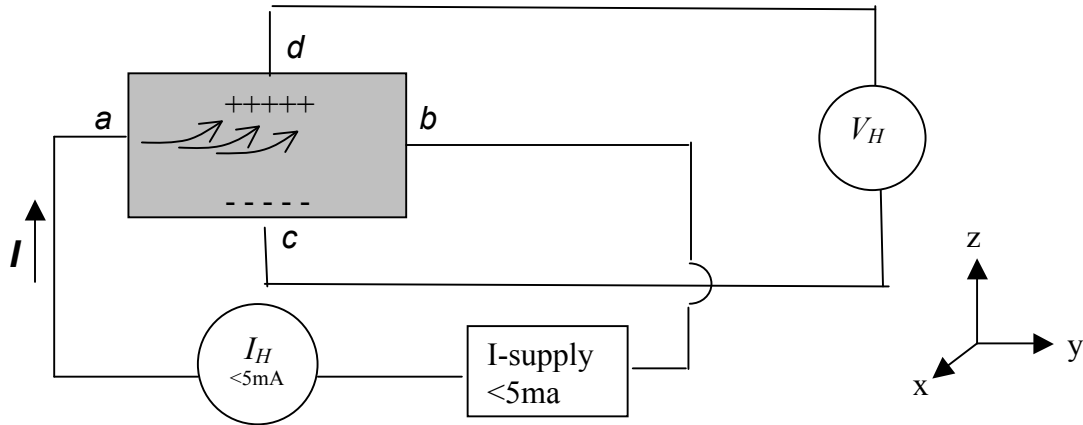


## Lab - HALL EFFECT in p-Ge



In this experiment we measure the Hall effect in a p-Ge sample. The sample is placed in a  $\sim 250mT$  magnetic field perpendicular to its surface. A drift current  $I_H$  is supplied to the sample a to b. The resultant Hall voltage  $V_H$  is measured from points c to d as a function of current  $I_H$ . The sign of  $V_H$  indicates the dominant charge carrier ( $V_H > 0$  p-type,  $V_H < 0$  n-type) which contributes to the Hall voltage,

$$V_H = I ( B / n q t ) \quad (1)$$

### Equipment

- Drift Current Supply (0-5 mA)
- Magnet Power Supply (0-15V)
- DMM  $I_H$
- DMM  $V_H$
- p-Germanium sample ( $t = 1mm$ )

### Procedure

1) Measure  $V_H$  with magnet and drift current off ( $I_H=0$ ).

$$B = 0 \text{ T} \quad V_H = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad I_H = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

2) Power the magnet to +13 V, resulting in a gap magnetic field of about  $B = 250mT = 2500G$ . Measure this in situ.  $B = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ T (250mT)}$

3) Measure  $V_H$  vs  $I_H$  (0-5mA)

$I (mA)$	0.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0
$I_H (mA)$						
$V_H (mV)$						

4) From Eqn, 1)  $V_H = I \times (B / n q t)$  plot  $V_H$  vs  $I$  and fit the slope to determine the Hall Coefficient  $n = \# / m^3$  at room temperature and the Hall coefficient  $R_H = 1/nq$ .

$\bar{n} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ +/- \_\_\_\_\_

5) A 2nd method would be to solve for  $n = I \times (B / V_H q t)$  at each measurement with current  $I$  and to average the measurements to find  $\bar{n}$  and  $R_H = 1/\bar{n} q$ .

$n =$  \_\_\_\_\_ +/- \_\_\_\_\_

6) Do methods 4) and 5) agree? Discuss.

### SAMPLE DATA

Data Set		
	IH (Amps)	VH (Volts)
1	0.00004	0.00000
2	0.00009	0.00003
3	0.00014	0.00007
4	0.00020	0.00011
5	0.00027	0.00018
6	0.00030	0.00020
7	0.00040	0.00028
8	0.00044	0.00032
9	0.00050	0.00035
10	0.00098	0.00069
11	0.00200	0.00133
12	0.00300	0.00198
13	0.00400	0.00258
14	0.00500	0.00320

