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Differential Hall Effect measurements represent a unique method of measurement for USJ's

1. Direct measurement of mobility profile, $\mu(x)$
2. Direct measurement of resistivity profile, $\rho(x)$
3. Determination of carrier distribution, $n(x)$

$$n(x) = \frac{1}{\mu(x) \cdot \rho(x) \cdot q}$$

$q = \text{electron charge}$

Calculation of Internally Applied Strain

$$\varepsilon_x = -\beta c$$

where β = the solute lattice concentration or expansion coefficient.
 ε_x = biaxial strain on planes parallel to the surface.
 c = concentration of foreign atoms on lattice sites.

Table below lists Pauling's single bond covalent radii.

$$\beta = \frac{R_x - R_{Si}}{R_{Si} \cdot N}$$

where R_{Si} = covalent radius for silicon
 R_x = covalent radius for foreign atoms
 N = density of lattice sites, $4.99E22 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

for B, $\beta = -5.77E-24 \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

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For elements with covalent radii greater than 1.17\AA , strain will be biaxially compressive. For covalent radii less than 1.17\AA , strain will be biaxially tensile.

Concentration of donor and acceptor atoms on lattice sites equals carrier concentration.



Implant and Anneal Conditions

Implant Techniques

- Ion Implantation (Beamline)
- Plasma Immersion
- Cluster
- Molecular

Thermal Treatments

- RTA
- SPER
- LSA (Laser Spike Anneal)
- Flash (Arc-lamp fRTP or Xe-lamp FLA (flash lamp anneal))
- DSA (Dynamic Surface Anneal)
- Combinations



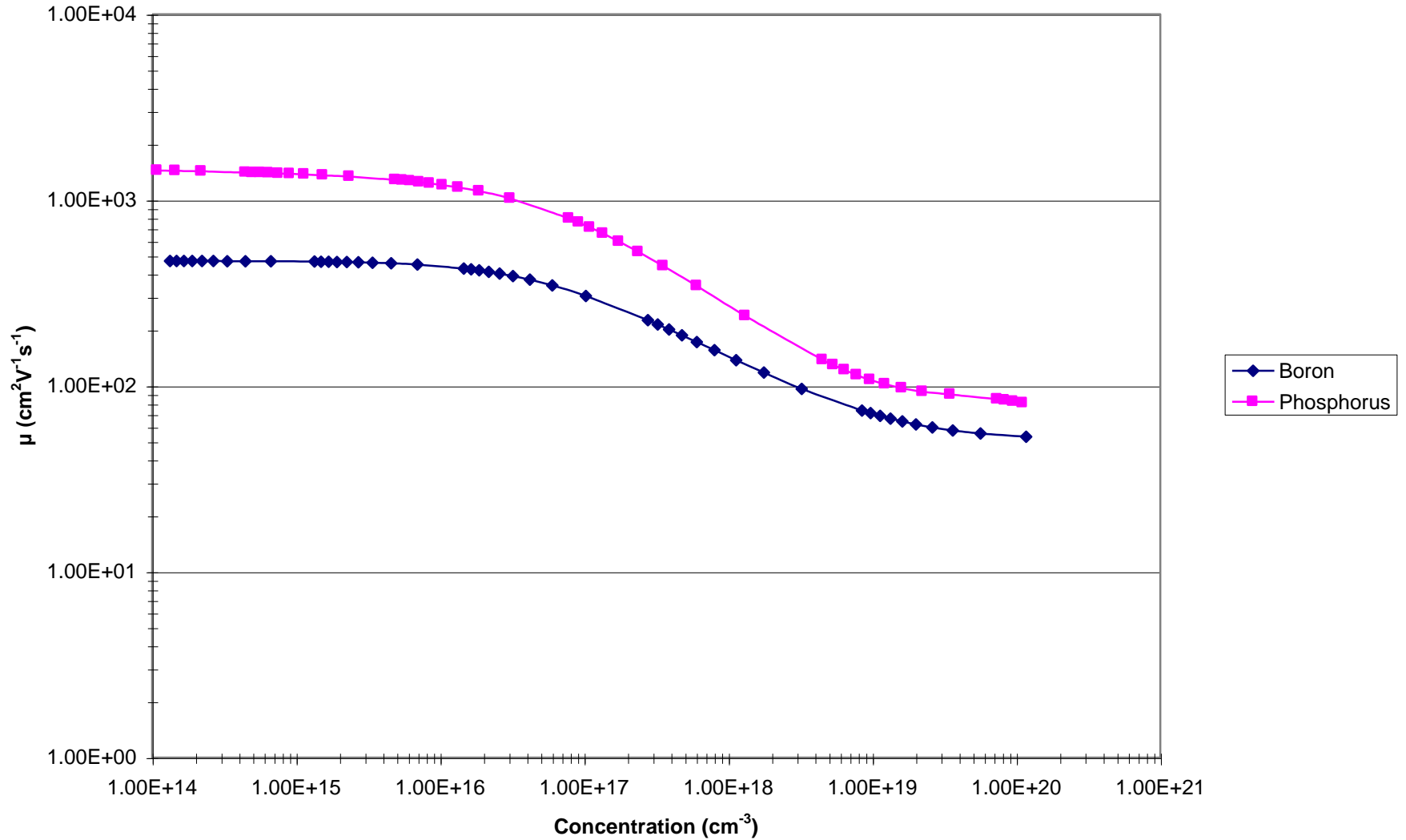
A.S.T.M. Algorithm

1977-1980 U.S. Bureau of Standards

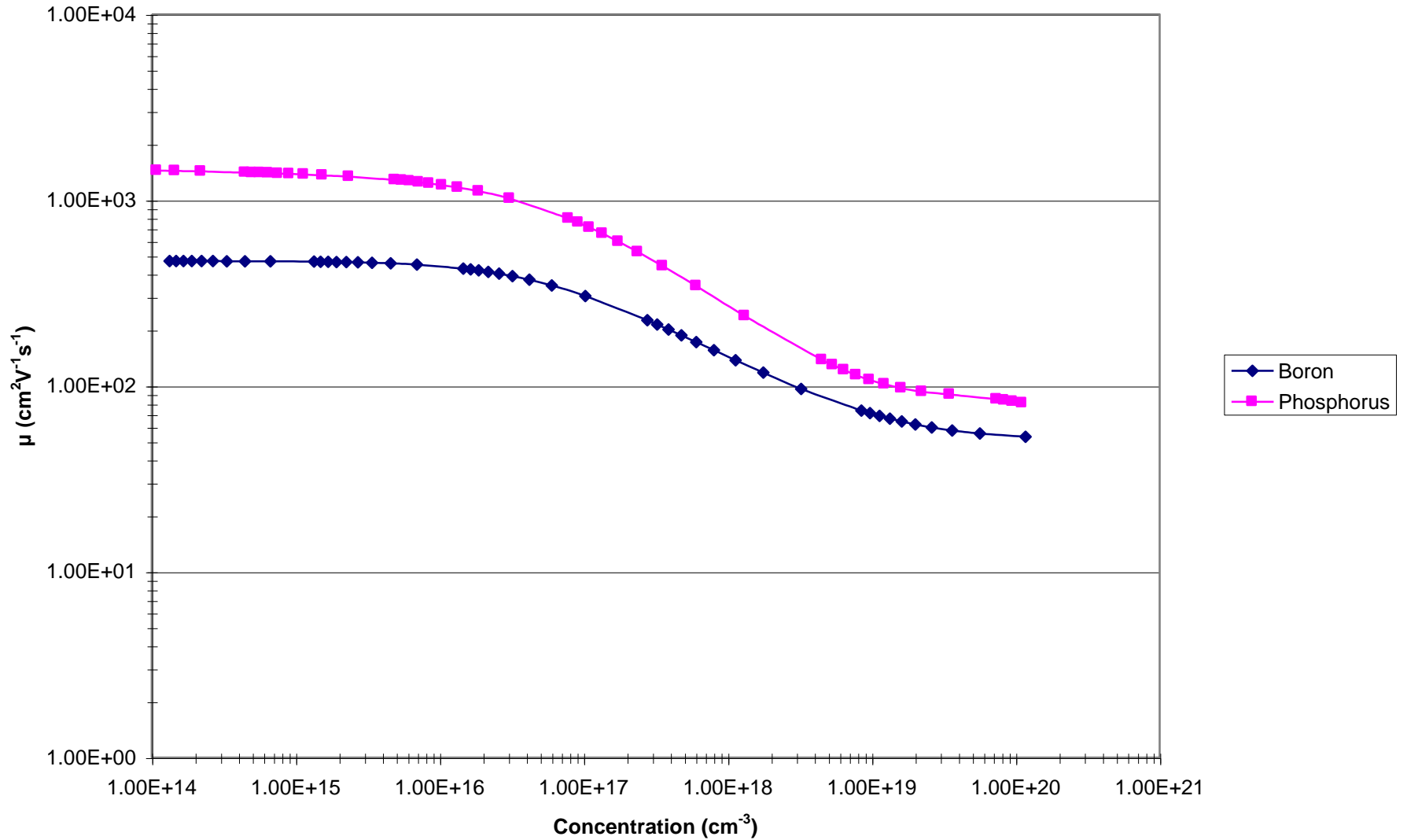
- As grown crystals doped with B and P
- Measured resistivity and dopant concentration
- Relationship for mobility and carrier concentration over the range 10^{14}cm^{-3} to 10^{20}cm^{-3}
- Arsenic exhibits same relationship as P
- Adopted as A.S.T.M. standard F723-99

A.S.T.M. Curve

μ vs concentration



μ vs concentration





Mathieson's Rule

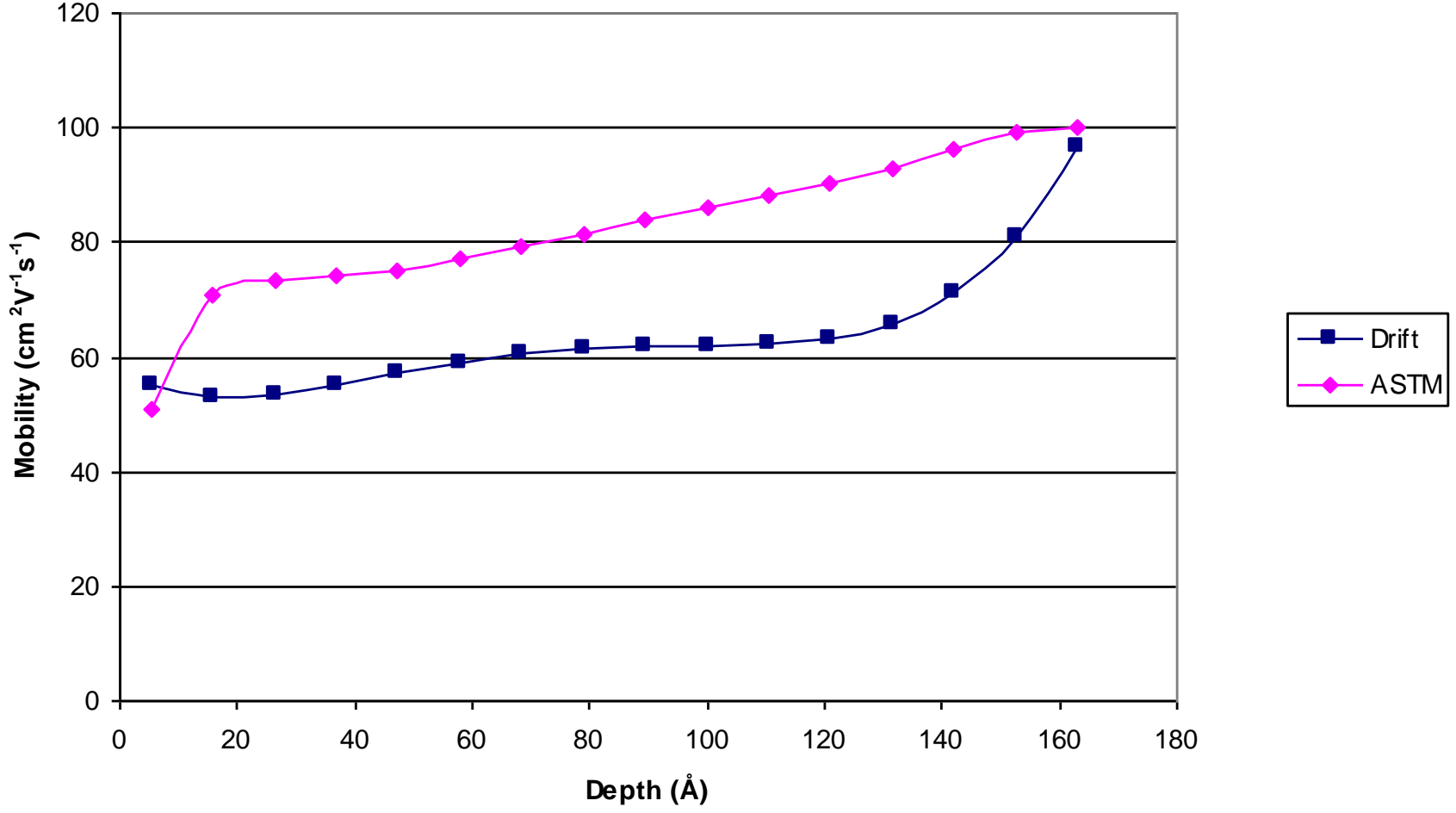
$$\frac{1}{\mu_o} = \frac{1}{\mu_{phon}} + \frac{1}{\mu_{coul}}$$

μ_o = A.S.T.M. mobility, function of carrier concentration.

μ_{phon} = phononic contribution to mobility, interaction of holes or electrons with lattice vibrations, a function of temperature.

μ_{coul} = Coulombic contribution to mobility, interaction of holes and electrons with charged lattice positions, a function of carrier concentration.

Mobility





Generation of Scatter Defects

$$\frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{1}{\mu_o} + \frac{1}{\mu_d}$$

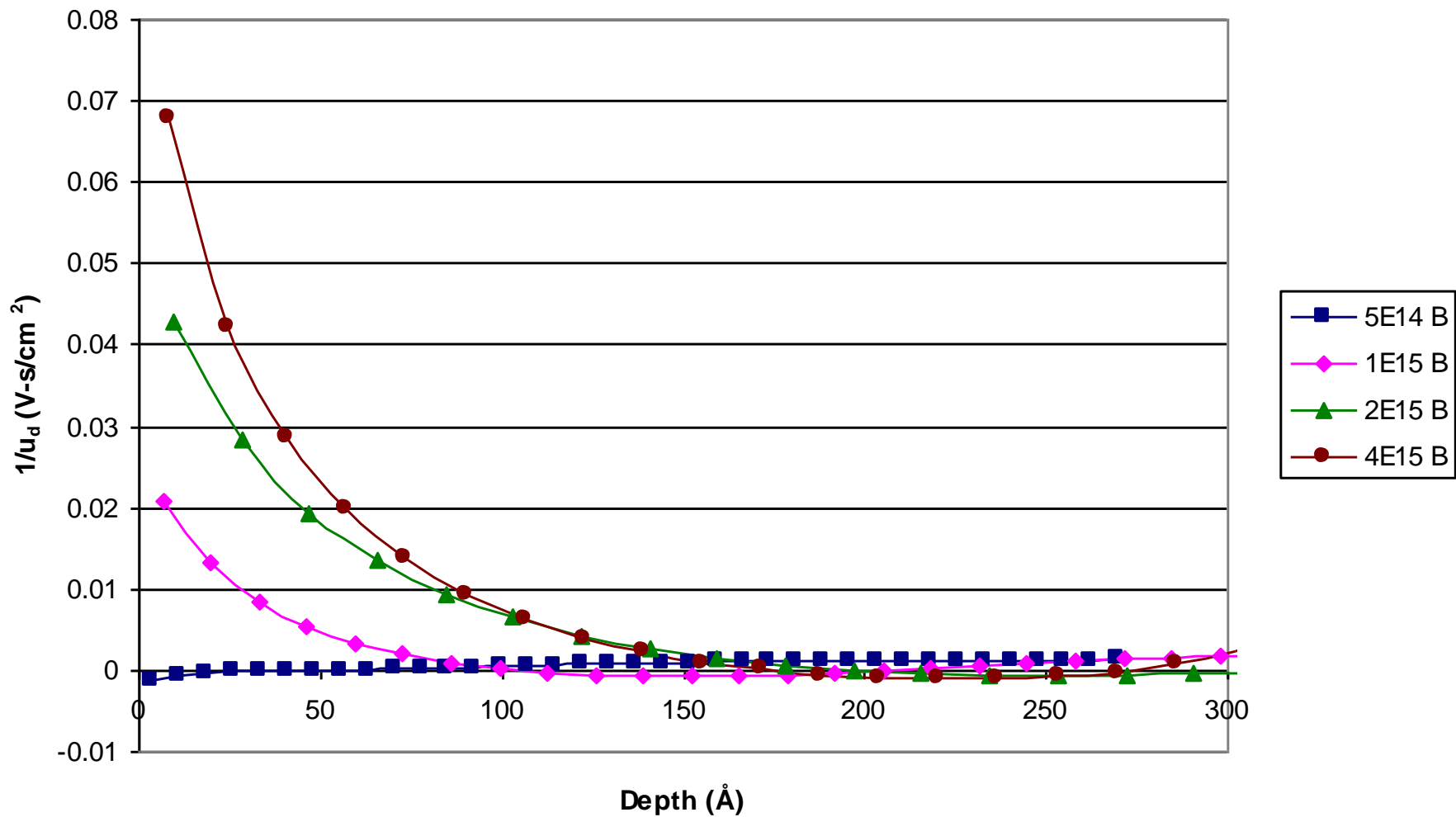
$$\frac{1}{\mu_d} = \frac{1}{\mu} - \frac{1}{\mu_o}$$

μ_d = contribution of scatter defects

μ = measured mobility by DHE CAOT

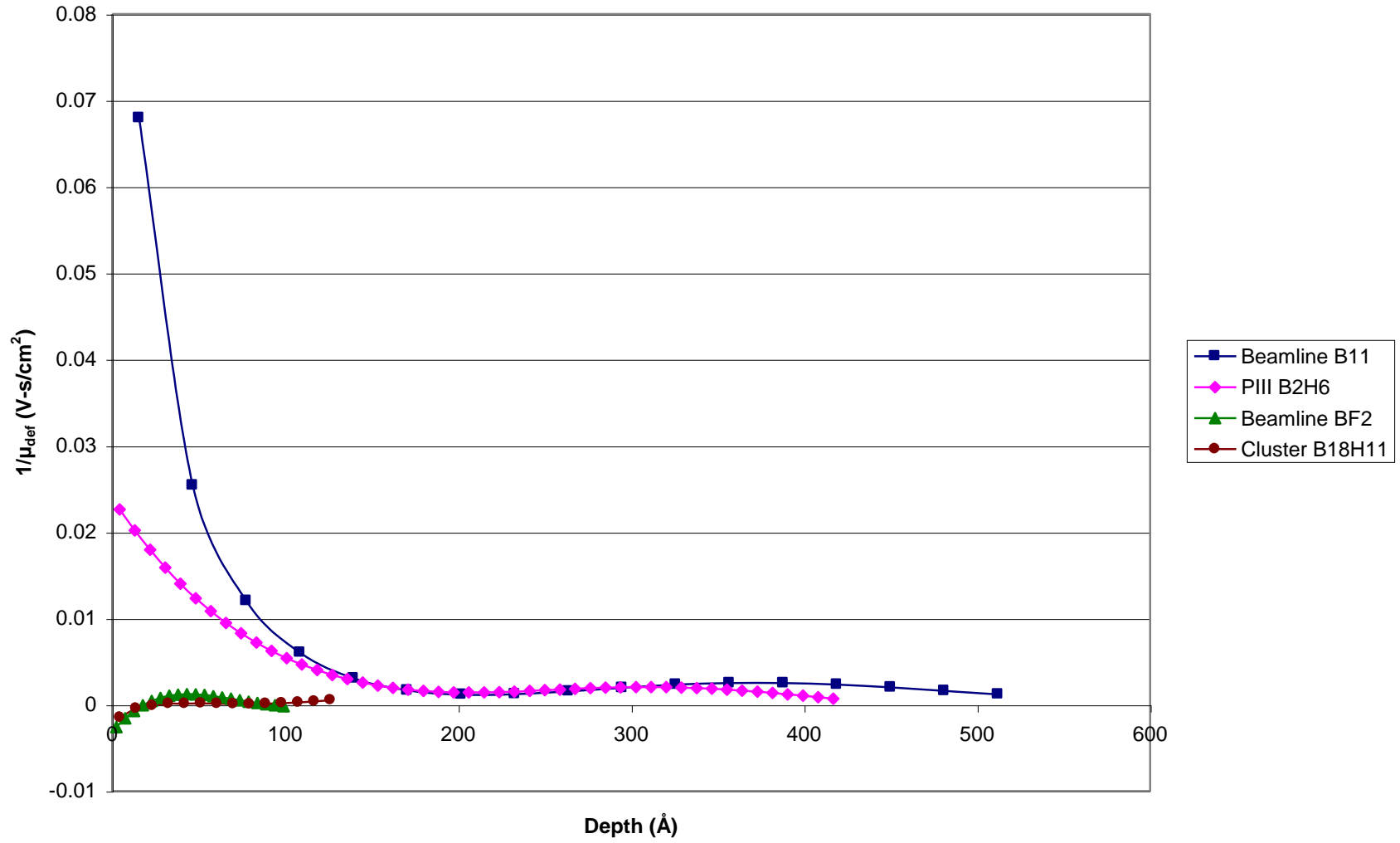
μ_o = A.S.T.M. mobility calculated for measured carrier distribution

Scatter Defects



B Implanted at 1.25keV, 1015°C spike anneal in N_2

Scatter Defects





Generation of Scatter Defects

1. Most specimens indicated significant scatter defect contributions.
2. Occasionally specimens were found with zero scatter defects.

Factors which affected scatter defect contributions:

1. Type of Implant (e.g. BL, PLAD, Cluster)
2. Implant Energy
3. Implant Dose
4. Type of Anneal
5. Anneal Temperature
6. Anneal Time



Introduction of Strain

1. Group IV atoms (e.g. C and Ge)
2. Dopant atoms (e.g. B, P, and As)

$\frac{1}{\mu_s}$ = contribution of strain to mobility

$$\frac{1}{\mu} - \frac{1}{\mu_o} = \frac{1}{\mu_d} - \frac{1}{\mu_s}$$

If $\frac{1}{\mu_d}$ were eliminated

$$\frac{1}{\mu} - \frac{1}{\mu_o} = -\frac{1}{\mu_s}$$

Where

μ = measured mobility

μ_o = mobility calculated from measured concentration and A.S.T.M. algorithm

μ_s = mobility strain component



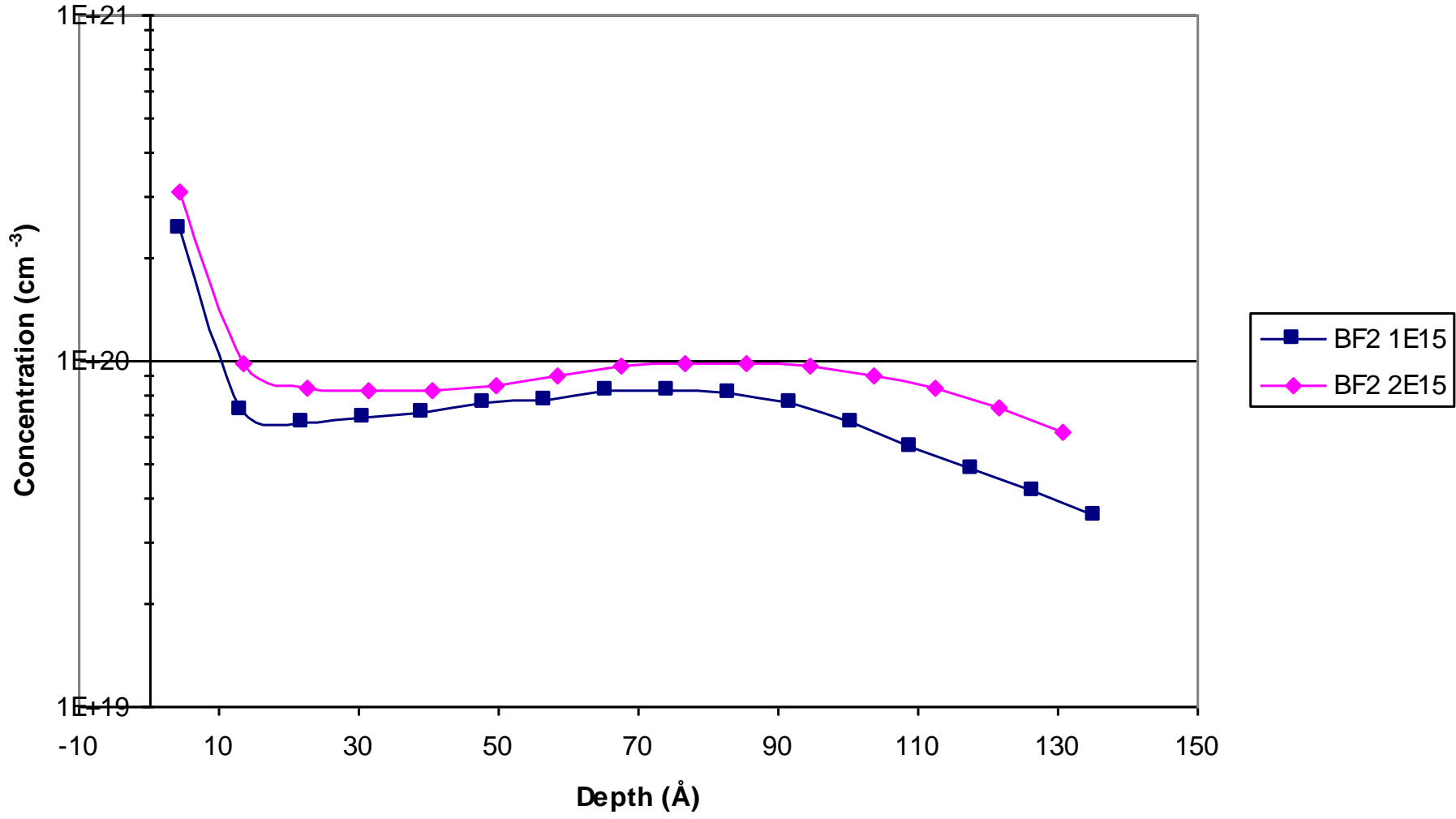
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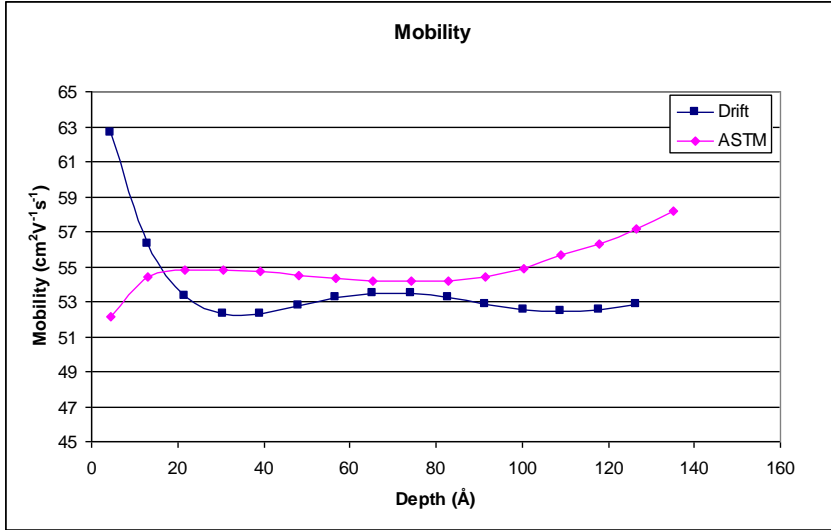
Additional implantation of Group IV elements results in increased scatter defects.

In one study comparing mobilities for As and P implants with and without C implants, specimens without C exhibited little or no scatter defects.

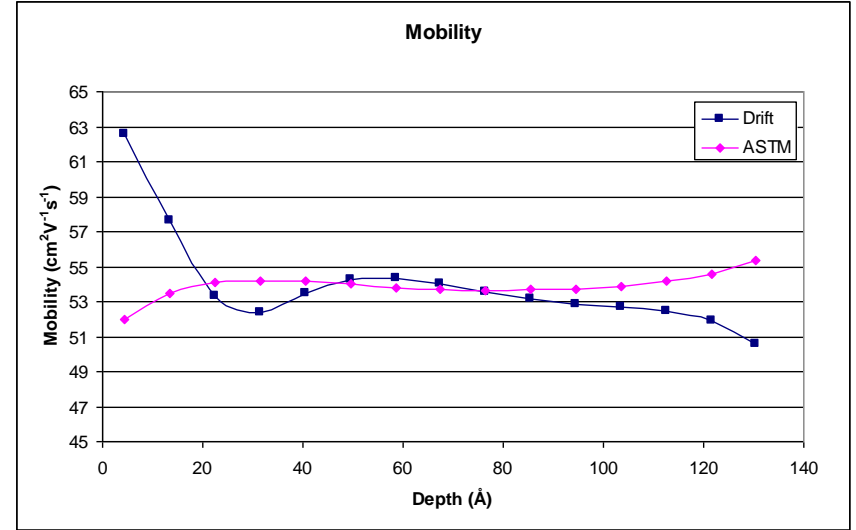
$$\frac{1}{\mu_d} - \frac{1}{\mu_s} = \frac{1}{\mu} - \frac{1}{\mu_o}$$

Carrier Concentration

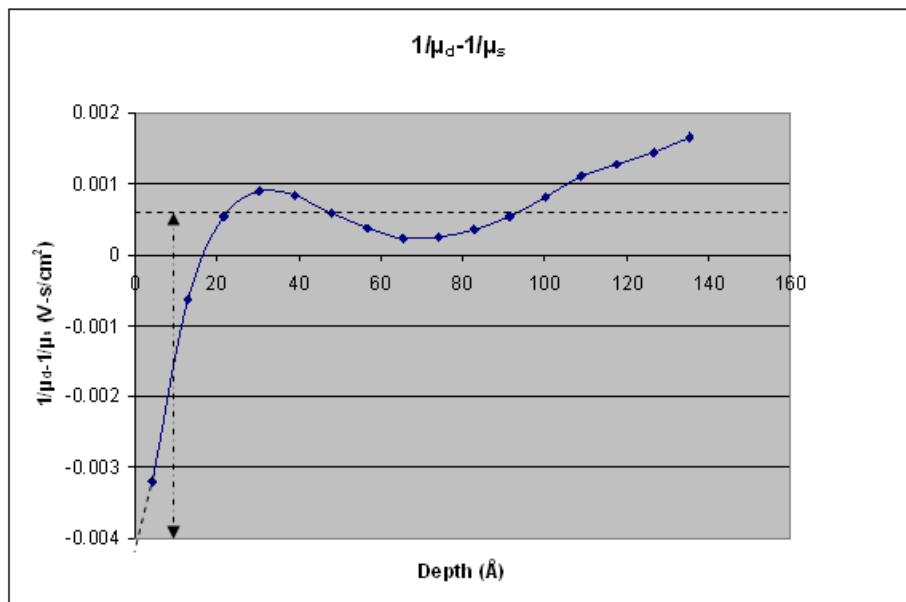




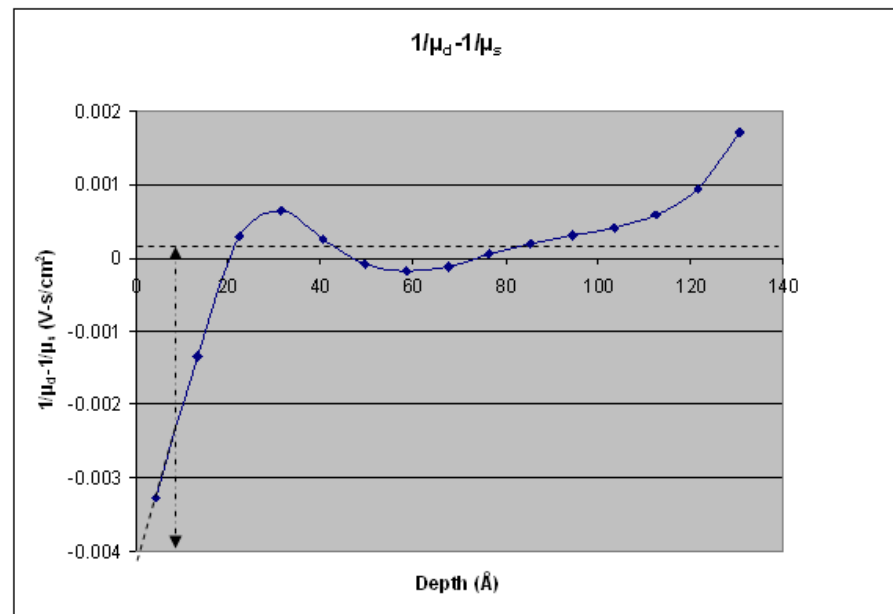
1E15 BF2 @ 337eV, spike RTA 1050°C



2E15 BF2 @ 337eV, spike RTA 1050°C

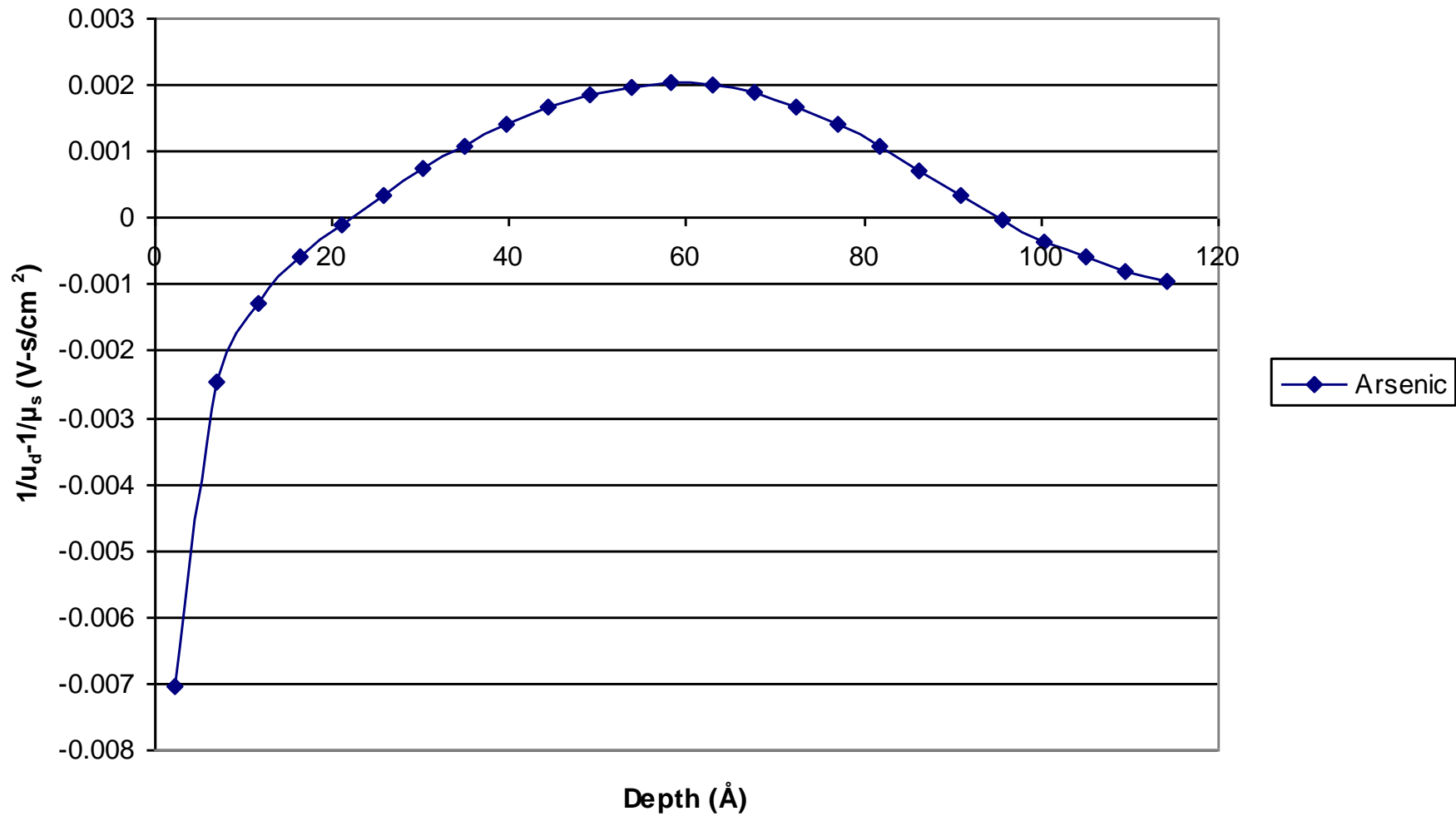


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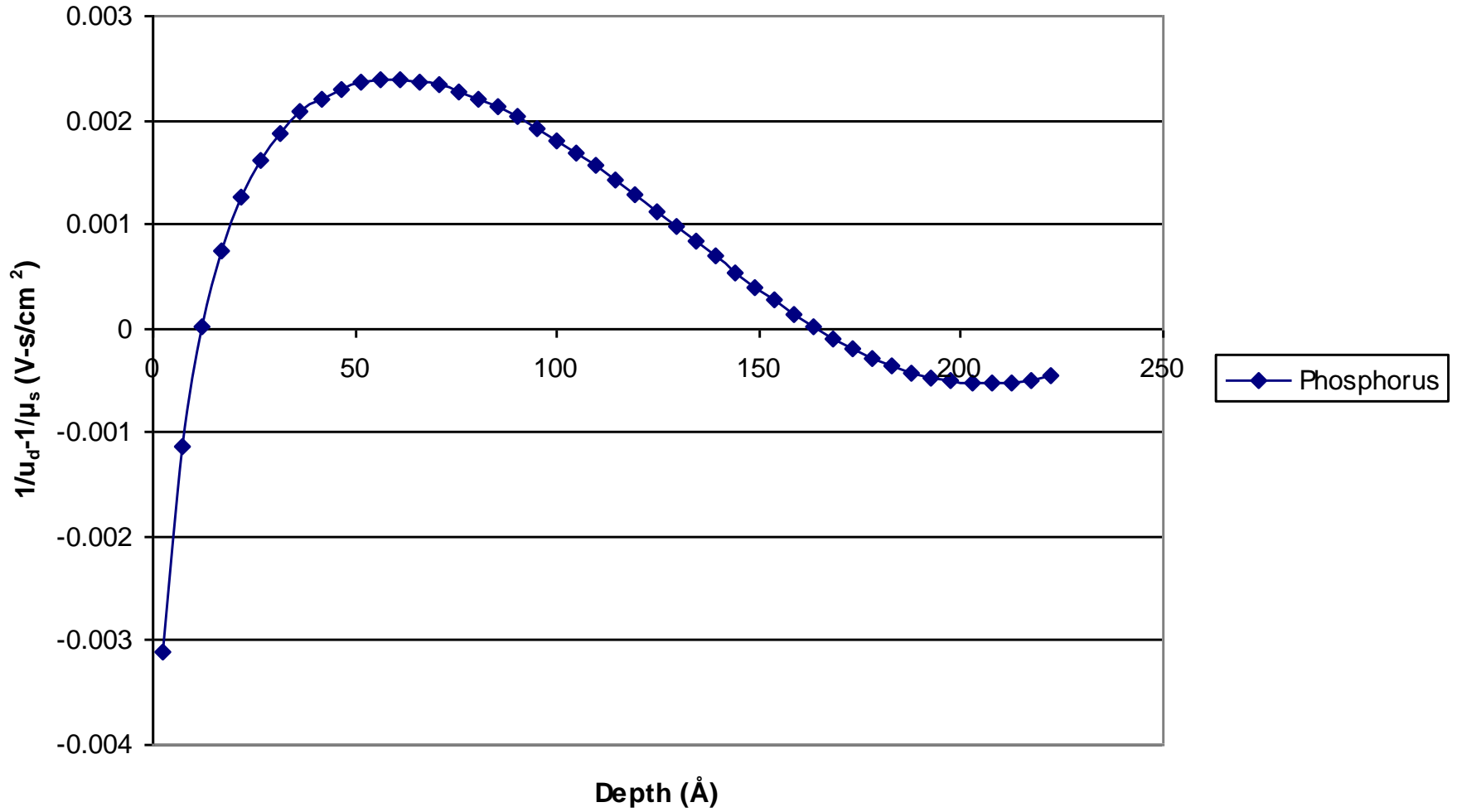


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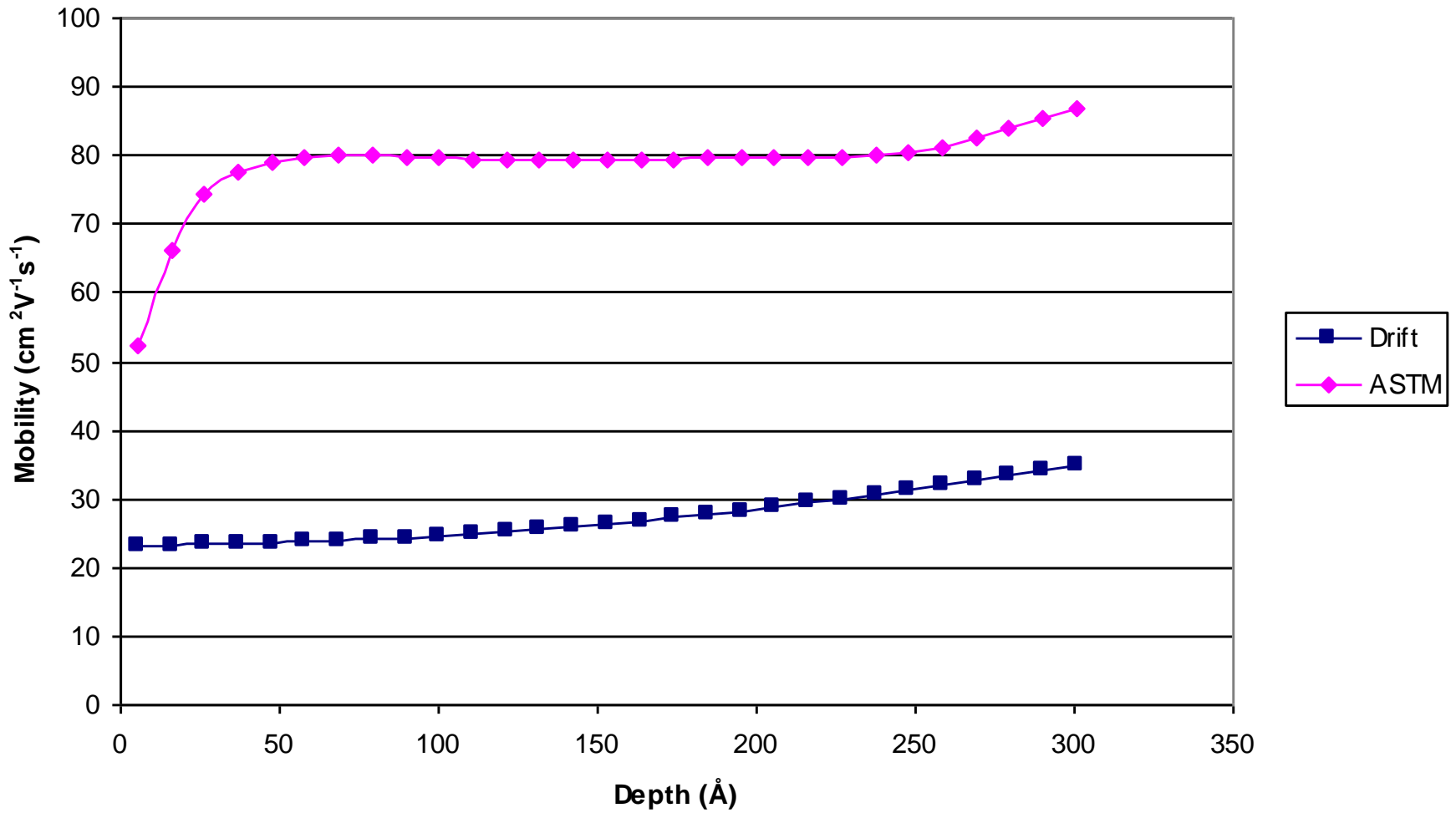
$$1/\mu_d - 1/\mu_s$$



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Mobility



As implant followed by C implant



Conclusions

1. Implant processes should be matched with anneal processes which eliminate scatter defects.
2. Tensile as well as compressive strain improve mobility of electrons.
3. Tensile strain improves mobility of holes.