

Electronic Structures of Semiconductor Clusters with Point Defects (19)

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Ab initio calculations of the atomic and the electronic structures of crystalline silicon (c-Si) with $X@B_6$ and $X@B_{12}$ ($X=H-Br$) clusters have been performed to investigate carrier generation by dopant atoms inside in cage of boron clusters. It is found that B_{12} and B_6 can exist stably in c-Si and should act as a double acceptor. It is also found that H, Be, B, Cr and Mn atoms can be settled in the cubo-octahedral B_{12} cluster and especially H atom can introduce a very shallow acceptor level. The $H@B_{12}$ cluster is one of the most promising candidates as a cluster dopant for the formation of a high-performance extremely shallow junction in the future ULSI.