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For the Group IV elemental semiconductor Si ($E_g = 1.12$ eV) and Ge ($E_g = 0.66$ eV), we use Group III elements as acceptors and Group V elements as donors.

Table 4.3 | Impurity ionization energies in silicon and germanium

Impurity	Ionization energy (eV)	
	Si	Ge
<i>Donors</i>		
Phosphorus	0.045	0.012
Arsenic	0.05	0.0127
<i>Acceptors</i>		
Boron	0.045	0.0104
Aluminum	0.06	0.0102

- Note that the ionization energies are indeed far smaller than the gap energies for silicon and germanium.

For a Group III-V semiconductor such as GaAs ($E_g = 1.424$ eV), we use Group II elements as acceptors and Group VI elements as donors.

Table 4.4 | Impurity ionization energies in gallium arsenide

Impurity	Ionization energy (eV)
<i>Donors</i>	
Selenium	0.0059
Tellurium	0.0058
Silicon	0.0058
Germanium	0.0061
<i>Acceptors</i>	
Beryllium	0.028
Zinc	0.0307
Cadmium	0.0347
Silicon	0.0345
Germanium	0.0404

- Note that the ionization energies are indeed far smaller than the gap energy for gallium arsenide.