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Electronic Transport in Individual Carbon Nanotube P-N Junction Diodes NATHANIEL GABOR, Laboratory of Solid State Physics, Cornell University, KEN BOSNICK, National Institute for Nanotechnology, National Research Council of Canada, PAUL MCEUEN, Laboratory of Solid State Physics, Cornell University — We have investigated electronic transport in single-walled carbon nanotube p-n junction diodes formed using gates to electrostatically dope the tube. Previous measurements [1] have shown that such diodes demonstrate nearly ideal turn-on behavior at room temperature and low biases, consistent with thermal activation over the junction barrier. We have performed measurements over a broad temperature range and have verified that the transport is by thermal activation. From the temperature dependence of the current-voltage characteristics, we can extract the nanotube band gap and the transmission coefficient through the p-n junction region. [1] J.U. Lee et al, App. Phys. Lett. 85, 145 (2004)

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