

14 During the early 1950s most transistors were manufactured using germanium.

Why was germanium used instead of silicon?

- (A) Silicon is more brittle than germanium.
- ✓ (B) Germanium could be more easily produced in a purified form.
- (C) Germanium is a more abundant raw material.
- (D) Silicon does not retain its semiconductor properties at high temperatures.

Question 14 : % answers correct by band range

