Deterministic simulation of a nanoscaled DG-MOSFETs on a GPU platform

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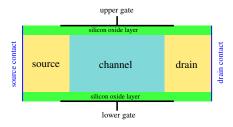
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Geometry

Introduction



About the scaling

In 1971, the Intel 4004 processor had 1000 transistors, whose channel length was 10000 nm. In 2003 the Intel Pentium IV was 130 nm long. As of 2019, Intel's i3-8121U x86 CPU uses 10-nm long CMOS finFET technology. Though, it seems less efficient than i3-8130U x86 CPU based on 14-nm technology.

Why is it important?

Smaller MOSFETs allow for the construction of smaller devices with better performances; moreover, they allow silicon and energy saving, due to the lower voltages needed to switch on or off the transistor.

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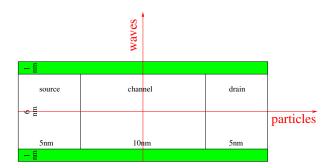
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Modelling

Dimensional coupling

Electrons are **particles** along the *x*-dimension (longitudinal, transport), **waves** along the *z*-dimension (transversal, quantum).



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Description of the confinement

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The unconfined dimension

Classical transport along x

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Boltzmann
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The electron-phonon interactions

Each of the seven electron-phonon scattering mechanisms has structure:

$$Q_{\nu,p}[f](x,k) = \sum_{\nu',p'} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left[S_{(\nu',p',k')\to(\nu,p,k)} f_{\nu',p'}(k') - S_{(\nu,p,k)\to(\nu',p',k')} f_{\nu,p}(k) \right] dk',$$

where
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These equations cannot be decoupled because we need the eigenfunctions to compute the potential, and we need the potential to compute the eigenfunctions.

input: $\varrho_{\nu,p}[f] \longrightarrow \text{output: } \{\epsilon_{\nu,p},\psi_{\nu,p}\}_{(\nu,p)} \text{ and } V.$ Seen as a block:

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Runge-Kutta

We advance in time by the third order Total Variation Diminishing Runge-Kutta scheme (no explicit time-dependency):

$$\Phi_{\nu,p}^{n,2} = \frac{3}{4} \Phi_{\nu,p}^n + \frac{1}{4} \Phi_{\nu,p}^{n,1} + \frac{1}{4} \Delta t H_{\nu,p} (\Phi^{n,1})$$

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Transport part

Partial derivatives

The three partial derivatives are approximated by means of WENO methods.

$$\begin{split} &\mathcal{Q}_{\nu,p}[\Phi]s_{\nu}(w) \\ &= C^{\mathcal{Q}}s_{\nu}(w) \sum_{\nu',p'} \frac{\gamma_{\nu'\to\nu}N_{\nu'\to\nu}}{W_{(\nu',p')\leftrightarrow(\nu,p)}} \mathbb{I}_{\left\{\Gamma_{-}\geq 0\right\}} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} \Phi_{\nu',p'}\left(\Gamma'_{-},\phi'\right) \,\mathrm{d}\phi' \\ &+ C^{\mathcal{Q}}s_{\nu}(w) \sum_{\nu',p'} \frac{\gamma_{\nu'\to\nu}(N_{\nu'\to\nu}+1)}{W_{(\nu',p')\leftrightarrow(\nu,p)}} \mathbb{I}_{\left\{\Gamma_{+}\geq 0\right\}} \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} \Phi_{\nu',p'}\left(\Gamma_{+},\phi'\right) \,\mathrm{d}\phi' \\ &- C^{\mathcal{Q}}2\pi \Phi_{\nu,p}(w,\phi) \sum_{\nu',p'} \frac{\gamma_{\nu\to\nu'}N_{\nu\to\nu'}}{W_{(\nu,p)\leftrightarrow(\nu',p')}} \mathbb{I}_{\left\{\Gamma_{+}\geq 0\right\}} s_{\nu'}\left(\Gamma_{+}\right) \\ &- C^{\mathcal{Q}}2\pi \Phi_{\nu,p}(w,\phi) \sum_{\nu',p'} \frac{\gamma_{\nu\to\nu'}(N_{\nu\to\nu'}+1)}{W_{(\nu,p)\leftrightarrow(\nu',p')}} \mathbb{I}_{\left\{\Gamma_{-}\geq 0\right\}} s_{\nu'}\left(\Gamma_{-}\right) \end{split}$$



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Inelastic phenomena

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The Newton scheme

Iterative scheme

Confinement

The Schrödinger-Poisson block

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}z} \left[\frac{1}{m_{\varepsilon,\nu}} \frac{\mathrm{d}\psi_{\nu,p}[V]}{\mathrm{d}z} \right] - q \left(V + V_c \right) \psi_{\nu,p}[V] = \epsilon_{\nu,p}[V] \psi_{\nu,p}[V]$$
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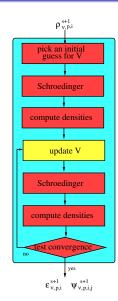
is solved thanks to a Newton-Raphson iterative methods. After calculations, the scheme boils down to refining (indexed on k)

$$-\operatorname{div}_{x,z} \left[\varepsilon_{R}(x,z) \nabla V^{(k+1)}(x,z) \right] + \int \mathcal{A}^{(k)}(x,z,\zeta) V^{(k+1)}(x,\zeta) \, \mathrm{d}\zeta$$

$$= -2 \sum_{\nu,p} \varrho_{\nu,p} \left| \psi_{\nu,p}^{(k)}[V] \right|^{2} + \int \mathcal{A}^{(k)}(x,z,\zeta) V^{(k)}(x,\zeta) \, \mathrm{d}\zeta$$

which represents a **linear system on** $V^{(k+1)}$. We iterate on k until convergence.





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The model

Summary

The dimensions

- (i). The valley (the silicon band structure) $\nu \in \{0, 1, 2\}$.
- (ii). The **subband** (the energy level's index): $p \in \{0, ..., N_{\text{sbn}} 1\}$.
- (iii). The **longitudinal dimension** (unconfined): $x_i = i \times \underbrace{\frac{1}{N_x 1}}$.
- (iv). The transversal dimension (confined): $z_j = j \times \underbrace{\frac{1}{N_z 1}}$.
- (v). The energy: $w_{\ell} = (\ell + 0.5) \times \frac{w_{\text{max}}}{N_w 1}$.
- (vi). The angle: $\phi_m = m \times \underbrace{\frac{2\pi}{N_\phi}}_{\cdot}$.
- (vii). As for the **time** step, it is adapted following a CFL condition.

The magnitudes

	dimensions N	1	2	3	4	5	RAM (KB)
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$\Phi_{ u,p,i,\ell,m}$	5	m	ℓ	p	ν	i	≈ 130000
$D_{ u,p,i,\ell,m}$	5	m	ℓ	p	ν	i	≈ 130000
$Q_{ u,p,i,\ell,m}$	5	m	ℓ	p	ν	i	≈ 130000
$\mathcal{H}_{ u,p,i,\ell,m}$	5	m	ℓ	p	ν	i	≈ 130000
$\mathcal{W}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i}$	5	p'	ν'	p	ν	i	≈ 165
$ ilde{\Phi}_{ u,p,i,\ell}$	4	ℓ	p	ν	i		≈ 2740
	dimensions N	1	2	3	4	5	RAM and DRAM (KB)
$\epsilon_{ u,p,i}$	3	p	ν	i			≈ 28
$\varrho_{\nu,p,i}$	3	p	ν	i			≈ 28
$\psi_{ u,p,i,j}$	4	j	p	ν	i		≈ 1800
	dimensions N	1	2	3	4	5	DRAM (KB)
$V_{i,j}$	2	j	i				≈ 33
$N_{\nu,p,i,j}$	4	p	ν	j	i		≈ 1800
$\mathcal{A}_{i,j,j'}$	3	j'	j	i			≈ 2140

WENO

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[a^1 \cdot \Phi^s \right]_{\nu, p, i, \ell, m} \approx \frac{\left(\widehat{a^1_{\nu, \ell, m} \cdot \Phi^s_{\nu, p, \cdot, \ell, m}} \right)_{i + \frac{1}{2}} - \left(\widehat{a^1_{\nu, \ell, m} \cdot \Phi^s_{\nu, p, \cdot, \ell, m}} \right)_{i - \frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x},$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left[a^{2,s} \cdot \Phi^s \right]_{\nu,p,i,\ell,m} \approx \frac{\left(\widehat{a_{\nu,p,i,\cdot,m}^{2,s} \cdot \Phi_{\nu,p,i,\cdot,m}^s} \right)_{\ell + \frac{1}{2}} - \left(\widehat{a_{\nu,p,i,\cdot,m}^{2,s} \cdot \Phi_{\nu,p,i,\cdot,m}^s} \right)_{\ell - \frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta w},$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left[a^{3,s} \cdot \Phi^s \right]_{\nu,p,i,\ell,m} \approx \frac{ \left(\widehat{a_{\nu,p,i,\ell,\cdot}^{3,s} \cdot \Phi_{\nu,p,i,\ell,\cdot}^s} \right)_{m+\frac{1}{2}} - \left(\widehat{a_{\nu,p,i,\ell,\cdot}^{3,s} \cdot \Phi_{\nu,p,i,\ell,\cdot}^s} \right)_{m-\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta \phi}.$$

 $Q_{
u,p,i,\ell}^{\mu,\mathrm{gain}} = \mathcal{C}^{\mu} \, 2 \sum_{n=1}^{N_{\mathrm{sbn}}-1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{W}_{
u,p,
u',p',i}$

Scatterings

$$\begin{split} p' &= 0 \quad \nu' = 0 \\ \left\{ \mathbb{I} \left(\Gamma^{\mu,+}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \geq 0 \right) \cdot (N^{\mu}_{\nu',\nu} + 1) \cdot s_{\nu'}(w_{\ell}) \cdot \operatorname{LI} \left[\tilde{\Phi}_{\nu',p',i,\cdot} \right] \left(\Gamma^{\mu,+}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \right) \right. \\ &+ \mathbb{I} \left(\Gamma^{\mu,-}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \geq 0 \right) \cdot N^{\mu}_{\nu',\nu} \cdot s_{\nu}(w_{\ell}) \cdot \operatorname{LI} \left[\tilde{\Phi}_{\nu',p',i,\cdot} \right] \left(\Gamma^{\mu,-}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \right) \right\} \\ Q^{\mu, \text{loss}}_{\nu,p,i,\ell,m} &= -\mathcal{C}^{\mu} \, 4\pi \, \Phi^{s}_{\nu,p,i,\ell,m} \sum_{p'=0}^{N_{\text{sbn}}-1} \sum_{\nu'=0}^{2} \mathcal{W}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \\ \left\{ \mathbb{I} \left(\Gamma^{\mu,+}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \geq 0 \right) N^{\mu}_{\nu,\nu'} \cdot s_{\nu'} \left(\Gamma^{\mu,+}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \right) \right. \\ &+ \mathbb{I} \left(\Gamma^{\mu,-}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \geq 0 \right) + (N^{\mu}_{\nu,\nu'} + 1) \cdot s_{\nu'} \left(\Gamma^{\mu,-}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i,\ell} \right) \right\}. \end{split}$$

Scatterings

Summary

The overlap integral is:
$$\mathcal{W}_{\nu,p,\nu',p',i} = \Delta z \sum_{j=1}^{N_z-2} |\psi_{\nu,p,i,j}|^2 |\psi_{\nu',p',i,j}|^2$$
.

The ϕ -integrated distribution function is $\tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,p,i,\ell} := \Delta \phi \sum_{m=0}^{\tau} \Phi^s_{\nu,p,i,\ell,m}$.

The linear interpolation is:

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{LI}\left[\tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,p,i,\cdot}\right](\Gamma) := & \frac{\tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,p,i,\ell_{\mathrm{u}}} - \tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,p,i,\ell_{\mathrm{d}}}}{\Delta w} \cdot \Gamma + \frac{w_{\ell_{\mathrm{u}}} \cdot \tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,p,i,\ell_{\mathrm{d}}} - w_{\ell_{\mathrm{d}}} \cdot \tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,p,i,\ell_{\mathrm{u}}}}{\Delta w} \\ & \times \operatorname{1\!\!I}\left(\Gamma \geq 0 \quad \land \quad \ell_{\mathrm{d}} \leq N_{w} - 2\right) \end{split}$$

Surface densities

The surface densities are
$$\varrho_{\nu,p,i} = \Delta w \sum_{\ell=0}^{N_w-1} \tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,p,i,\ell}$$
.

Summary: the confinement

Schrödinger

Summary

We have to compute selected eigenvalues and eigenvectors of matrices whose elements in the diagonal are $\left(\frac{\frac{1/4}{m_{z,\nu,i,j-1}}+\frac{1/2}{m_{z,\nu,i,j}}+\frac{1/4}{m_{z,\nu,i,j}}+\frac{1/4}{m_{z,\nu,i,j+1}}}{\Delta z^2}-V_{i,j}\right)_{j=1,\dots,N_z-2}$ and in the sub- and super-diagonals are $\left(-\frac{\frac{1/4}{m_{z,\nu,i,j}}+\frac{1/4}{m_{z,\nu,i,j}+1}}{\Delta z^2}\right)_{j=1,N_z-3}.$ We have 195 independent problems of diagonalization of 63 × 63 matrices.

Summary: the confinement

The linear system

Summary

$$\begin{split} &\left(\text{div}\left[\varepsilon_{\text{R}} \, \nabla V^{(k+1)}\right]\right)_{i,j} \\ &= \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i-1,j} + \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j}}{\Delta x^2}\right) V_{i-1,j}^{(k+1)} + \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j-1} + \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j}}{\Delta z^2}\right) V_{i,j-1}^{(k+1)} \\ &- \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i-1,j} + (\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j} + \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i+1,j}}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j-1} + (\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j} + \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j+1}}{\Delta z^2}\right) V_{i,j}^{(k+1)} \\ &+ \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j} + \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j+1}}{\Delta z^2}\right) V_{i,j+1}^{(k+1)} + \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i,j} + \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{\text{R}})_{i+1,j}}{\Delta x^2}\right) V_{i+1,j}^{(k+1)} \\ &+ \frac{\Delta z}{2} \cdot \left[\sum_{j'=0}^{N_z-2} \mathcal{A}_{i,j,j'}^{(k)} \, V_{i,j'}^{(k+1)} + \sum_{j'=1}^{N_z-1} \mathcal{A}_{i,j,j'}^{(k)} \, V_{i,j'}^{(k+1)}\right] = \text{right hand side} \\ \text{where } \mathcal{A}_{i,j,j'}^{(k)} = 2 \sum_{\nu,p} \sum_{p' \neq p} \frac{\varrho_{\nu,p,i}^{s+1} - \varrho_{\nu,p',i}^{s+1}}{\varepsilon_{\nu,p',i}} \times \psi_{\nu,p,i,j'}^{(k)} \, \psi_{\nu,p',i,j'}^{(k)} \, \psi_{\nu,p',i,j'}^{(k)} \, \psi_{\nu,p',i,j}^{(k)} \end{split}$$

The matrix is square of order 4225, has 129 diagonals and is sparse (98%).

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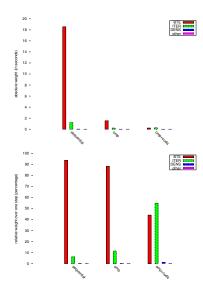
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Speedups

Version	step	BTE	DENS	ITER	FD-WENO-5	scatt.	lin. sys.	Schröd.	NR kernel
sequential	19.82	18.56	0.044	1.22	3.69	13.70	0.59	0.23	0.37
OMP 2-core	10.05	9.35	0.024	0.67	1.87	6.89	0.34	0.12	0.19
OMP 4-core	5.60	5.18	0.0146	0.40	1.03	3.82	0.207	0.066	0.106
OMP 6-core	4.05	3.72	0.011	0.317	0.74	2.74	0.167	0.048	0.076
OMP 8-core	3.32	3.04	0.0103	0.27	0.61	2.24	0.145	0.04	0.063
OMP 10-core	2.83	2.58	0.0086	0.24	0.618	1.8	0.136	0.032	0.051
OMP 12-core	2.39	2.16	0.0075	0.21	0.53	1.5	0.119	0.026	0.042
OMP 14-core	2.07	1.85	0.0068	0.208	0.46	1.28	0.121	0.022	0.036
OMP 16-core	1.73	1.53	0.0062	0.199	0.31	1.12	0.119	0.02	0.032
OMP 16-core/GPU	0.47	0.21	0.00618	0.26	0.087	0.105	0.15	0.03	0.05

Main computational phases

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kernel	avg. time	GFlops/s	
phonons, loss	32.8 ms	539	
ϕ -derivative	10.7 ms	598	
w-derivative	10.6 ms	284	
x-derivative	6.66 ms	389	
a^3 computation	2.92 ms	226	
ϕ -integrated pdf	1.81 ms	9	
phonons, gain	2.47 ms	275	
RK, 2nd stage	3.59 ms	28	
RK, 3rd stage	3.59 ms	28	
RK, 1st stage	2.90 ms	11	
overlap integral	.297 ms	16	
surface densities	.160 ms	2	

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Future plans

- Optimization of the iterative part on GPU, and test of other methods.
- Implementation of the surface roughness among the scattering phenomena.
- Comparison with the numerical results from other solvers.

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