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Computational Nanoelectronics in the 21st Century:

Challenges and Opportunities

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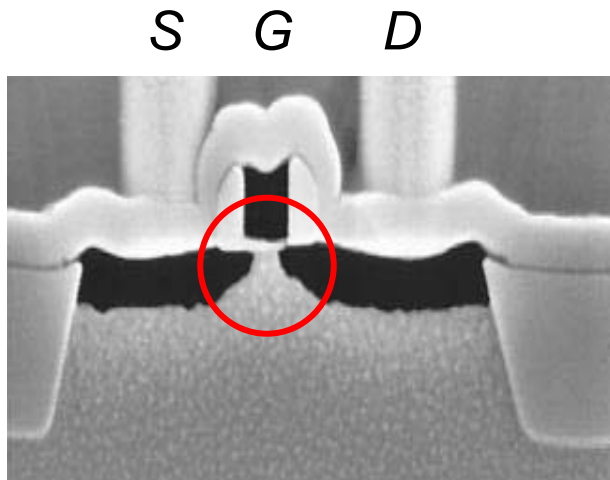
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trends in electronic devices



The Silicon MOSFET

1977: $L \sim 5$ micrometers
(5000 nm)

2008: $L \sim 0.05$ micrometers
(50 nm)

Transistors per chip:

$< 10,000 \times > 1,000,000,000$

Challenges for computational electronics

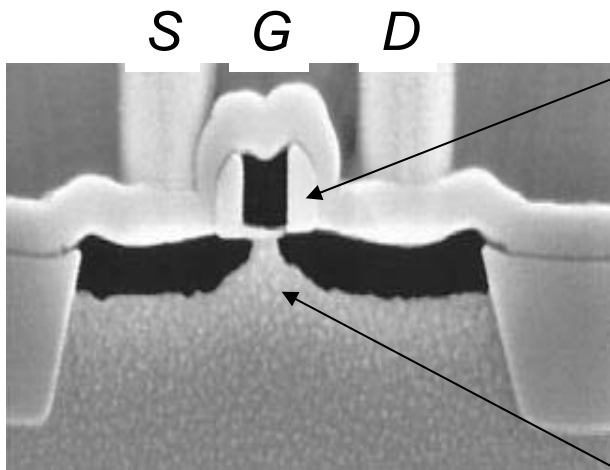
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new materials

45 nm technology

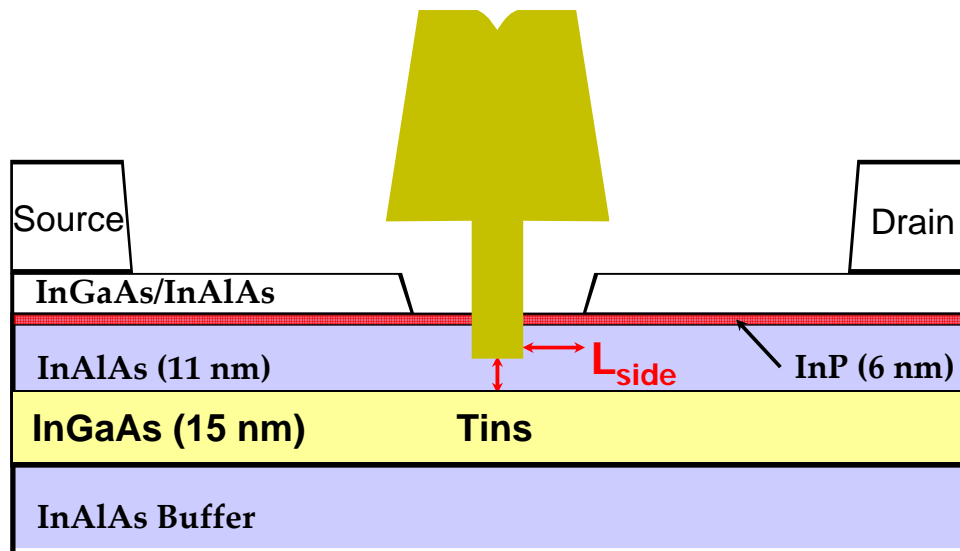
HfO₂ + metal gate



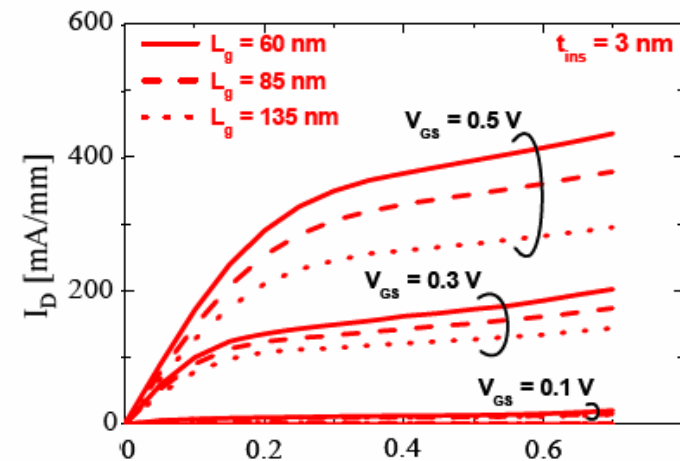
The Silicon MOSFET

Si --> III-V?

del Alamo group HEMTs



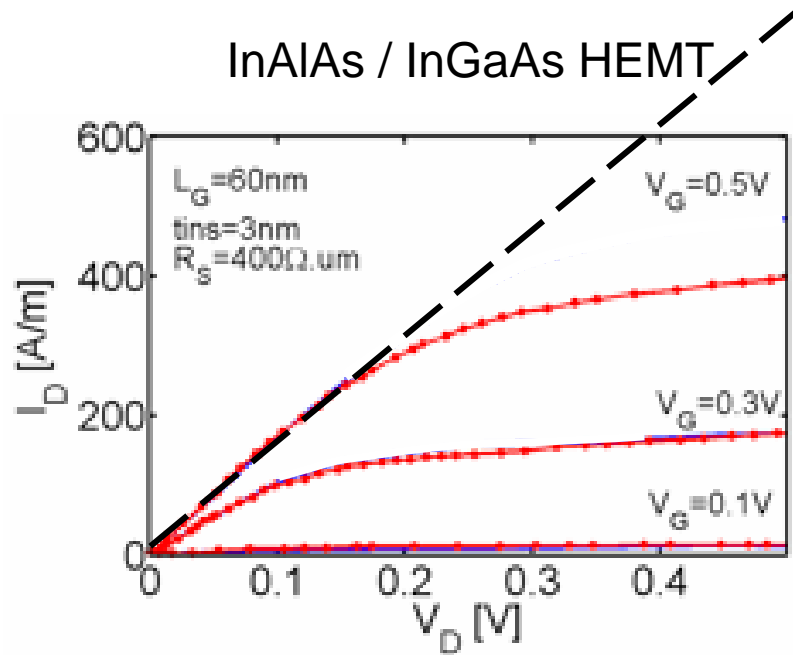
Reference: Dae-Hyun Kim et al. IEDM 2006



Typical I_{DS} vs. V_{DS}



mobility in nanoscale FETs



Dae-Hyun Kim et al. IEDM 2006

$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} \mu_{eff} C_{ox} (V_{GS} - V_T) V_{DS}$$

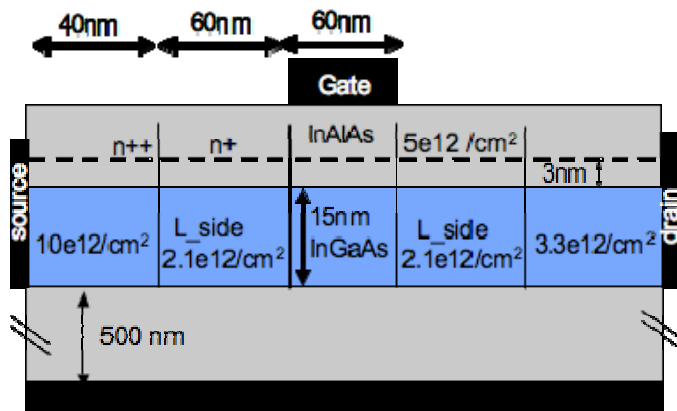
$$\frac{V_{DS}}{I_{DS}} = R_{SD} + \frac{L}{\mu_{eff} C_{ins} (V_G - V_T)}$$

$$\mu_{eff} \approx 170 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$$

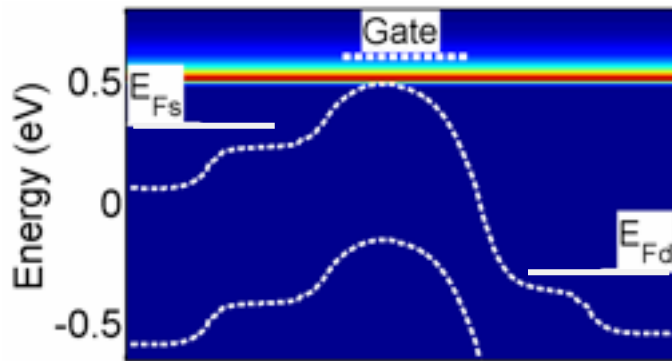
$$\left(\mu_n \approx 10,000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s} \right)$$



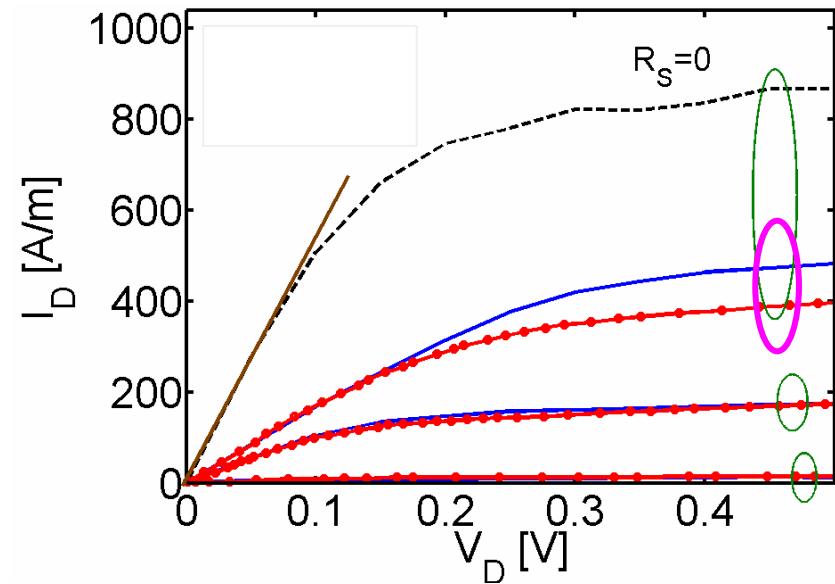
ballistic IV (Neophytous Neophytou, Purdue)



idealized device structure



2D, real space
NEGF simulation
(eff. mass)



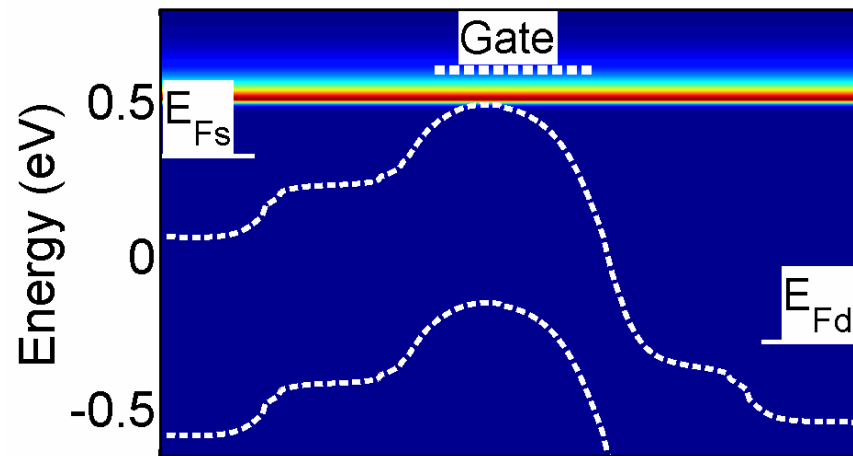
- - - ballistic simulation

— measured
($T_{ins} = 3$ nm, $L = 60$ nm)

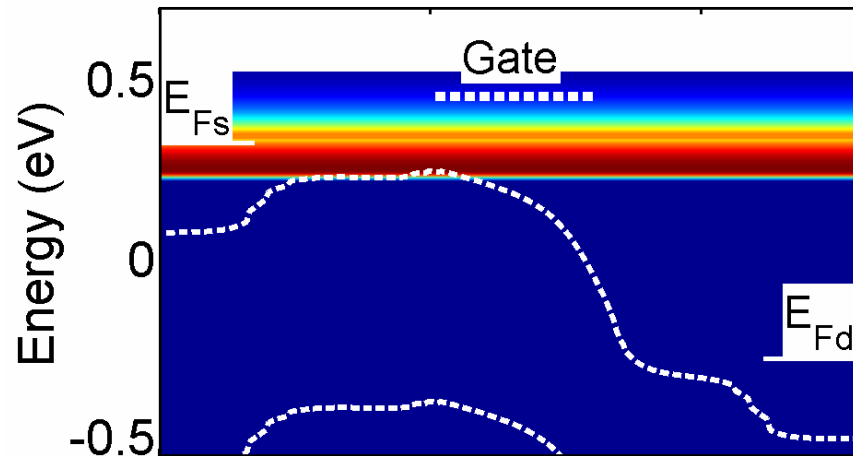
intrinsic, ballistic FET with external series resistance

“source exhaustion”

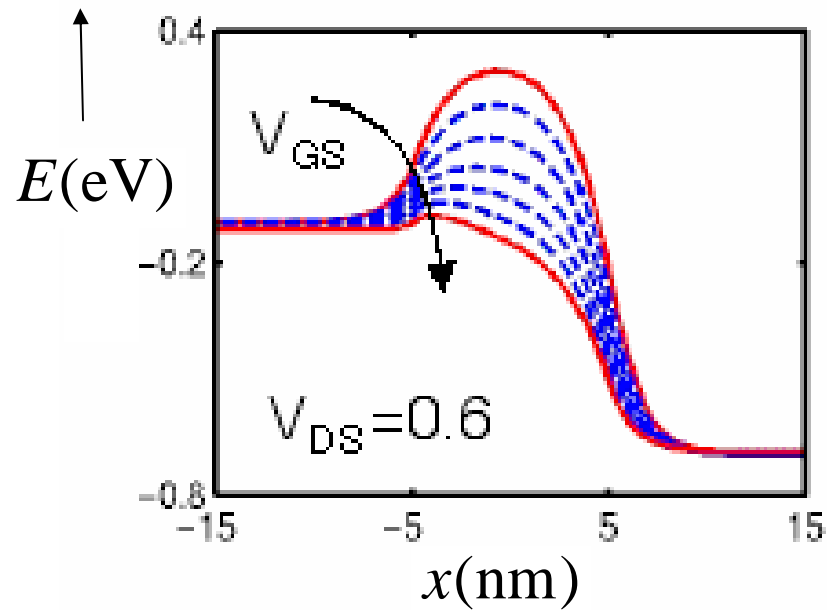
1) OFF state



2) Barrier collapses



limits of transistors



Limits

$$E_S|_{\min} = \ln(2) k_B T$$

$$L_{\min} \approx \hbar / \sqrt{2m E_S|_{\min}}$$

$$\tau_{\min} \approx \hbar / E_S|_{\min}$$

$$(\Delta p \Delta x = \hbar)$$

$$(\Delta E \Delta t = \hbar)$$

45 nm technology vs. limits

Limits

$$E_S|_{\min} = \ln(2)k_B T \approx 0.003 \text{ aJ}$$

$$L_{\min} \approx \hbar / \sqrt{2m^* E_{\min}} = 1.5 \text{ nm (300K)}$$

$$\tau_{\min} \approx \hbar / E_S|_{\min} = 0.04 \text{ ps (300K)}$$

$$n_{\max} (\text{at } 100\text{W/cm}^2) = 1.5 \text{ B/cm}^2$$

45 nm node

(ITRS 2006 ed.)

$$E_S \approx 5,000 \times E_S|_{\min}$$

$$L \approx 20 \times L_{\min}$$

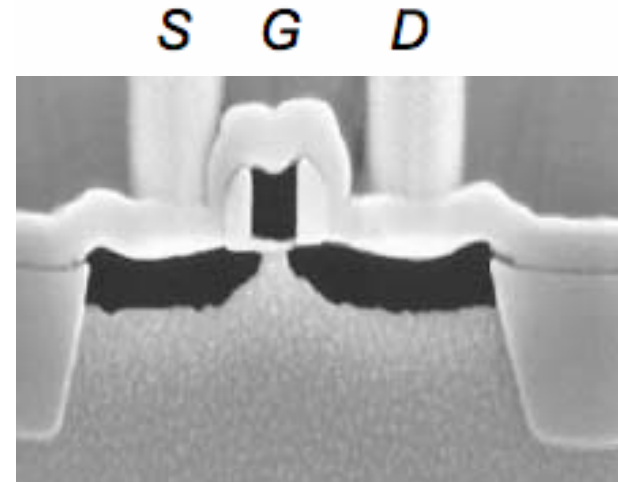
$$\tau \approx 20 \times \tau_{\min}$$

$$n \approx 1 \text{ B/cm}^2$$

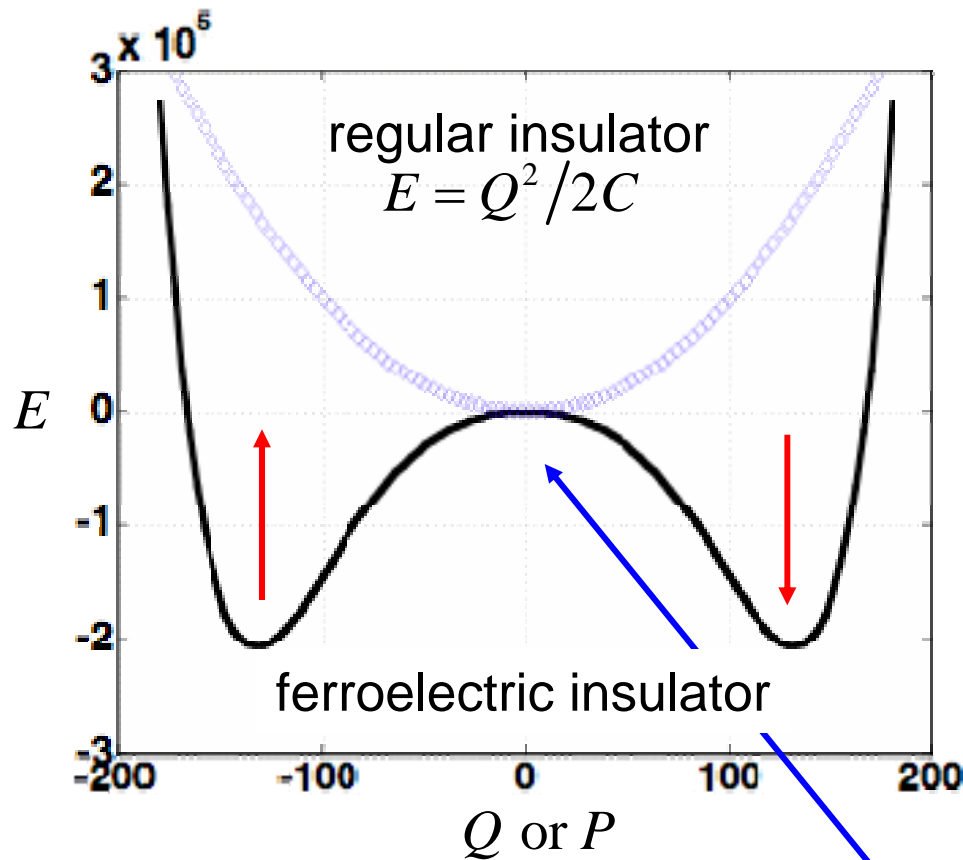


the real challenges

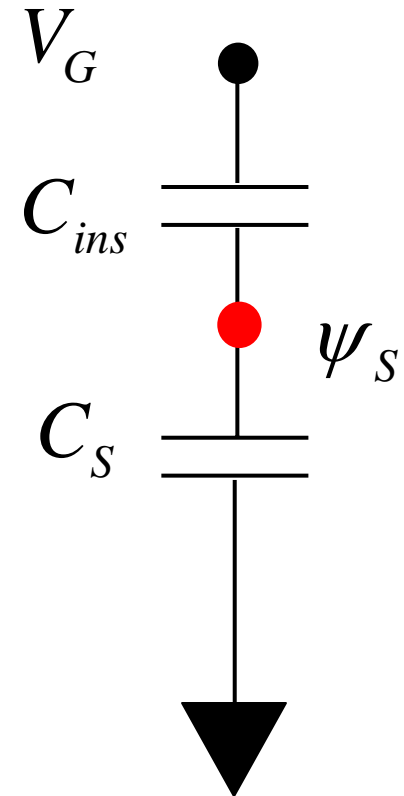
- 1) electrostatics
- 2) series resistance
- 3) parasitic C
- 4) variations
- 5) voltage scaling



new ideas?



negative capacitance!



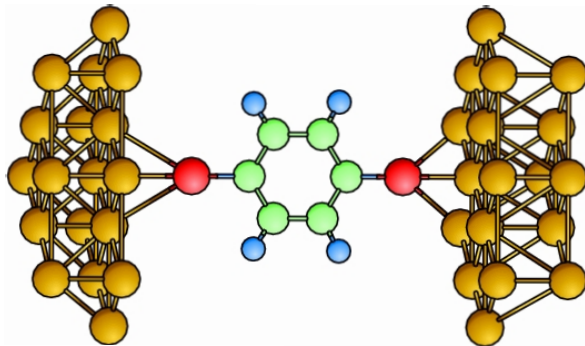
$$m = \frac{\partial V_G}{\partial \psi_S} = 1 + \frac{C_S}{C_{ins}}$$

$$SS = m \times 2.3 k_B T / q$$

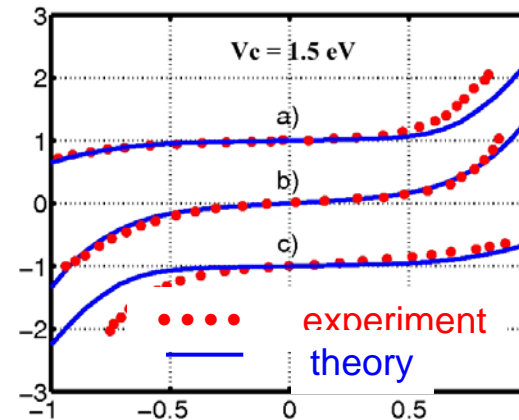
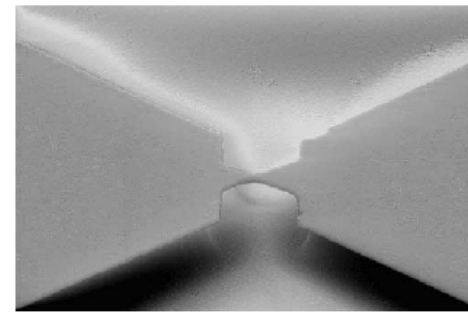
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- 2) *More than Moore?***
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molecular electronics



break junction

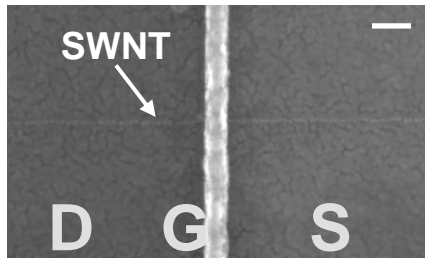
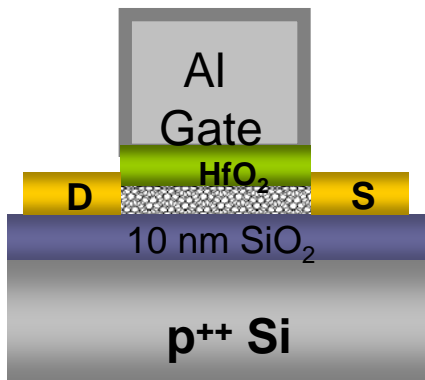


Weber group

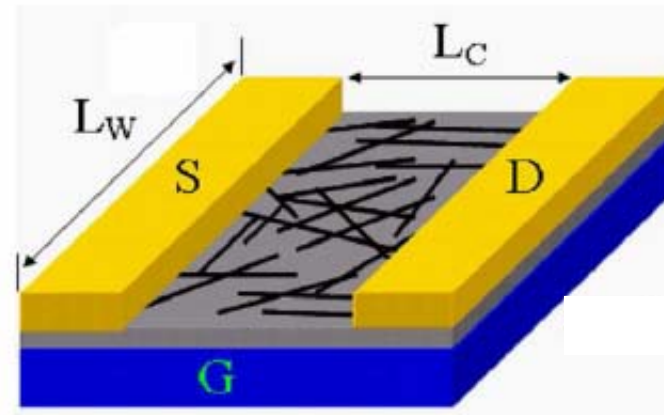
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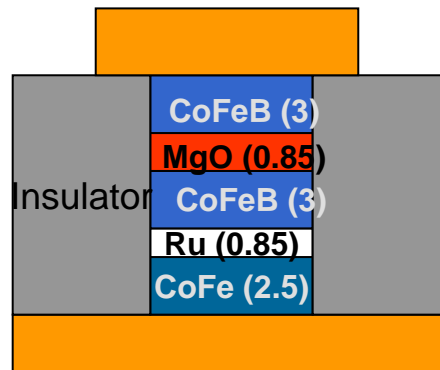
new materials and devices



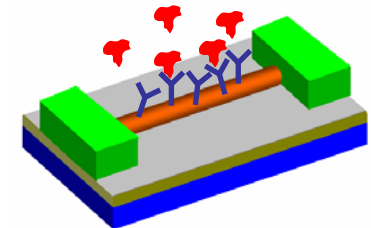
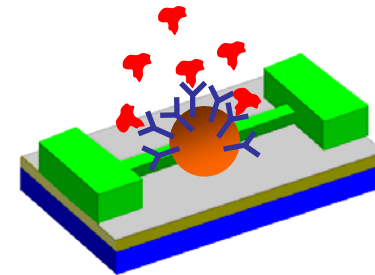
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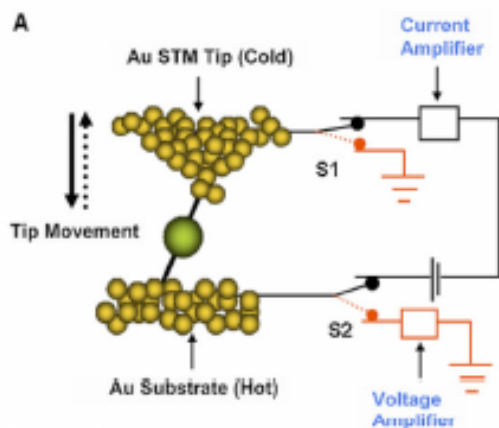
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computational electronics

- 1) Increasing diversity of devices and materials
(need for a unified approach)
- 2) Increasing 'difficulty' of the problems
- 3) The future is still defining itself
- 4) Opportunities
 - human health
 - energy
 - environment / climate
 - security
 - ...

Seebeck coefficient of a molecule



Thermoelectricity in Molecular Junctions

Pramod Reddy,^{1*} Sung-Yeon Jang,^{2,3*}† Rachel A. Segalman,^{1,2,3}‡ Arun Majumdar^{1,3,4}‡

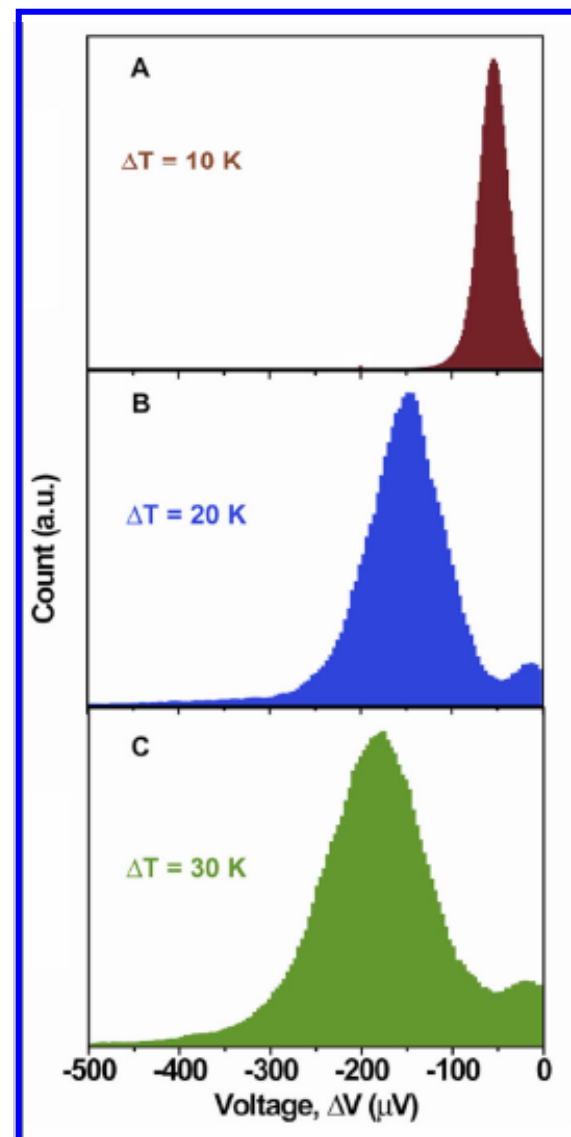
By trapping molecules between two gold electrodes with a temperature difference across them, the junction Seebeck coefficients of 1,4-benzenedithiol (BDT), 4,4'-dibenzenedithiol, and 4,4''-tribenzenedithiol in contact with gold were measured at room temperature to be $+8.7 \pm 2.1$ microvolts per kelvin ($\mu\text{V/K}$), $+12.9 \pm 2.2$ $\mu\text{V/K}$, and $+14.2 \pm 3.2$ $\mu\text{V/K}$, respectively (where the error is the full width half maximum of the statistical distributions). The positive sign unambiguously indicates p-type (hole) conduction in these heterojunctions, whereas the Au Fermi level position for Au-BDT-Au junctions was identified to be 1.2 eV above the highest occupied molecular orbital level of BDT. The ability to study thermoelectricity in molecular junctions provides the opportunity to address these fundamental unanswered questions about their electronic structure and to begin exploring molecular thermoelectric energy conversion.

Experiment:

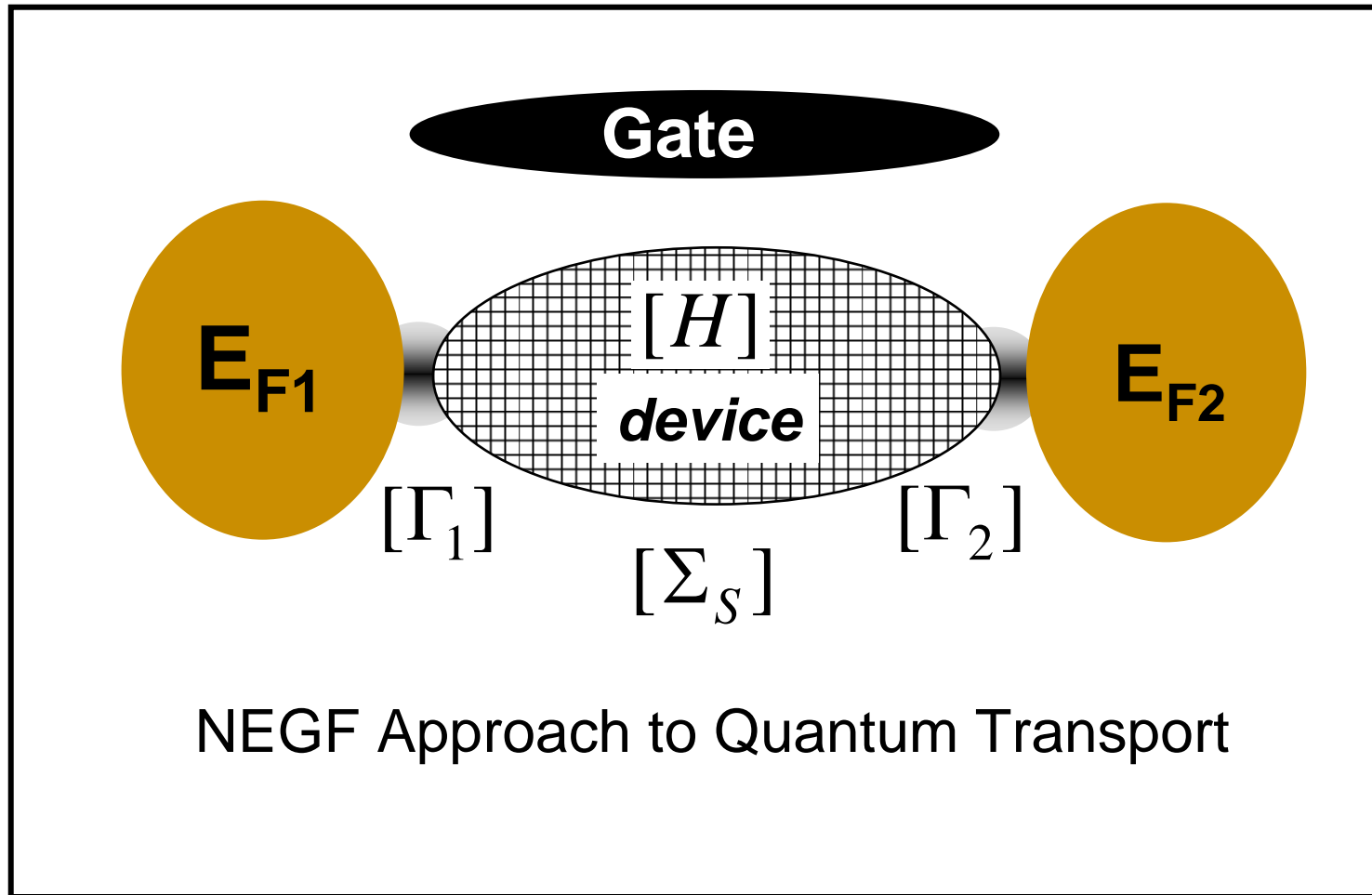
Reddy, et al., Science, **315** 16 March, 2005.

Theory:

Paulsson and Datta, PRB **67**, 241403 (2003),

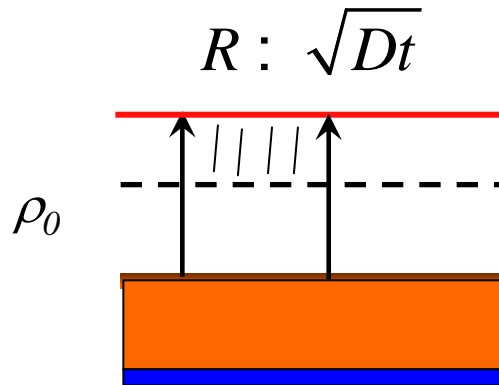
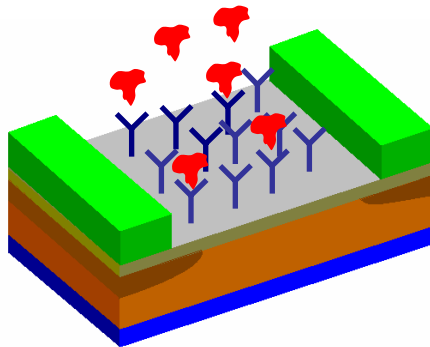


unified approach to nano-devices



solving the right problem

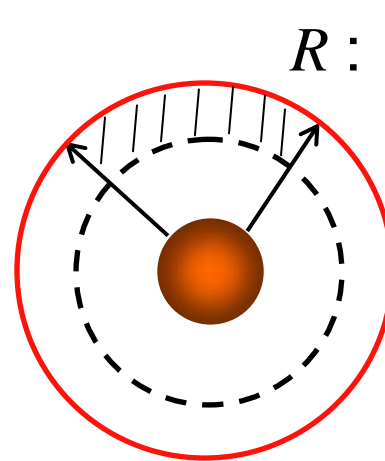
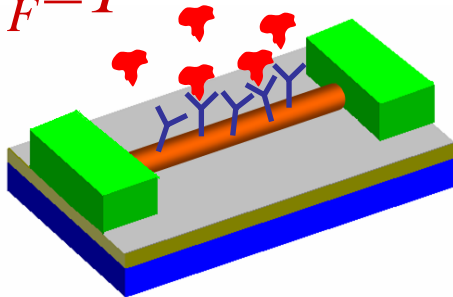
$$D_F=2$$



$$N(t) = \rho_0 \times R \times A$$

$$N(t): \rho_0 \sqrt{Dt}$$

$$D_F=1$$



$$N(t) = \rho_0 \times \pi R^2 \times L$$

$$N(t): \rho_0 Dt$$

bio-sensors (Alam)

The screenshot shows a presentation slide with the following content:

- Title: Performance Limits of Nanobiosensors
- Authors: M. Alam and P. Nair
- Institution: Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
- Contact: alam@purdue.edu

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| 4. Electrostatics ? | 02:04 | |
| 5. Geometry of Diffusi... | 02:17 | |
| 6. Diffusion-Capture ... | 02:15 | |

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M.A. Alam, “Geometry of Diffusion and the Performance Limits of Nanobiosensors.”

The screenshot shows the BioSensorLab tool interface with the following details:

- Contributor(s):** Pradeep R. Nair, Muhammad A. Alam, Purdue University, West Lafayette
- At a glance:** BioSensorLab is a tool to evaluate and predict the performance of a label-free, electronic biosensor.
- Description:** BioSensorLab is a tool to evaluate and predict the performance parameters of a label-free, electronic biosensor (see figure). The sensor basically consist of a field effect device, whose surface is functionalized with capture probe (receptor) molecules. Some of the target molecules, which are introduced to the system, diffuse through the solution and reach the field effect device and get captured by the receptors thereby binding them close to the surface. Many bio-molecules carry an electrostatic charge under normal physiological conditions. For example, DNA is negatively charged while the net charge of a protein molecule depends on the pH of the solution. The coulomb interaction between the charge of the target bio-molecule and the field effect device can result in a change in conductivity of the latter.
- Ranking:** 9.6 RANKING
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- 1) to **explore** uncharted territory
- 2) to **resolve** a well-posed scientific or technical question
- 3) to make a good **design** choice.”

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L.P. Kadanov, “Excellence in Computer Simulation,”
Computing in Science and Engineering, (Mar./Apr. 2004).
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shared research facilities



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“service-oriented science”

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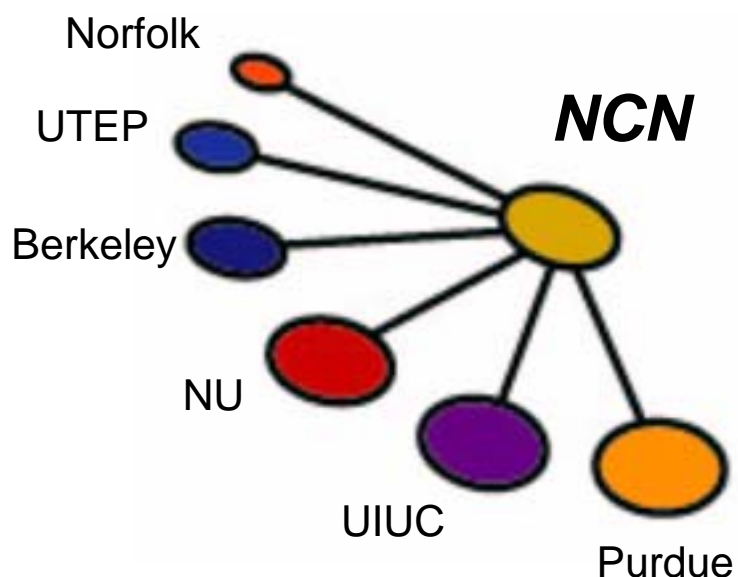
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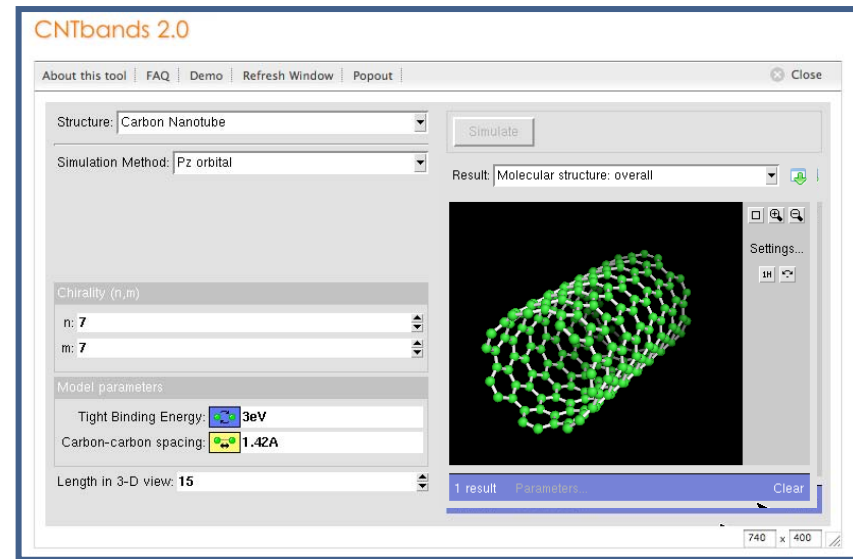
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- bridges disciplines
- promotes collaboration
- supports computational science and engineering
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- enables research and education

cyberinfrastructure



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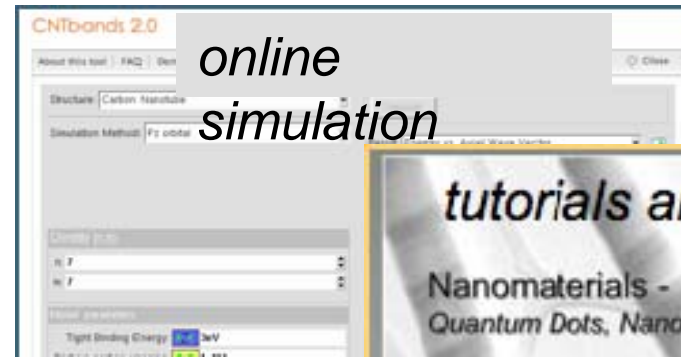
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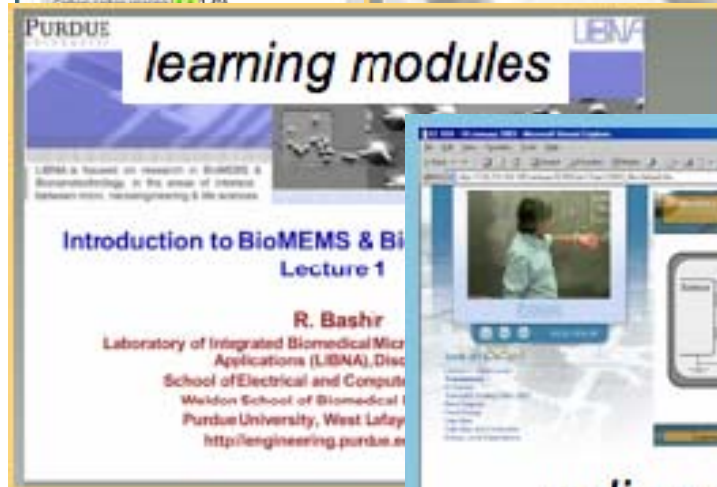
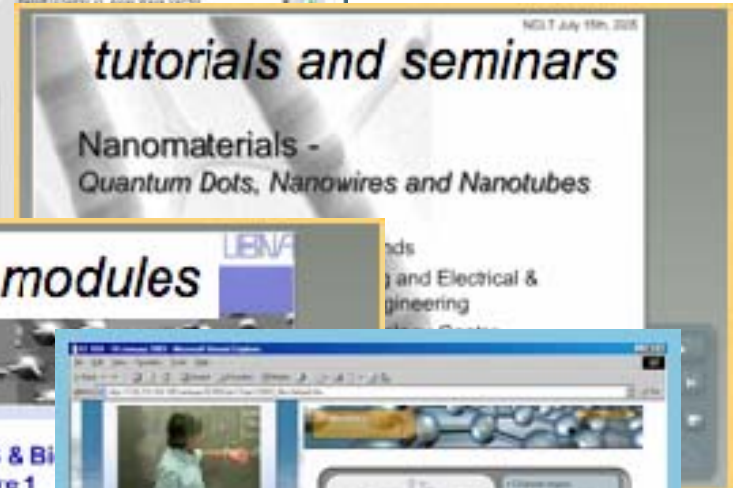
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Summary

- 1) There has never been a more interesting time for computational electronics.
- 2) We have an opportunity to help define a new field.
- 3) Cyberinfrastructure can help.