Comparison of full-band Monte Carlo and Non-equilibrium Green's function simulations

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Motivation

• There is still a considerable separation between semi-classical and quantum models in terms of physical detail



Benchmark Model

• We have considered a 2-D device model for the double-gate MOSFET performing simulations with MOCA 2-D (UIUC) NanoMOS (Purdue).

















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Long Channel benchmark

 t_{Si} = 3.0 nm L_G = 50 nm, V_{ds} = 0.50V, Vg = 0.50V



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Velocity comparison for a ballistic device

 t_{Si} = 4.0 nm L_G = 9 nm, V_{ds} = 0.50V, Vg = 0.50V



Conclusions

- The present benchmark comparison indicates that Monte Carlo and NEGF simulations give potential and density profiles that agree well in a range of conditions and silicon slab thicknesses.
- Discrepancies are noticed at low bias, explained by the granular nature of Monte Carlo as opposed to the continuum nature of NEGF.
- For thinner silicon slab thickness, size quantization is emphasized, and we are looking for the limits of validity of the quantum correction potential approach in Monte Carlo.
- At high fields, NEGF tend to give a much more prominent velocity overshoot. This is understood by considering that the present model of nanoMOS has parabolic bands, where velocity is not constrained as in a realistic band.