

NNCI Computation

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Coordinated Infrastructure



Objectives

- To facilitate access to the modeling and simulation capabilities and expertise
- To identify the strategic areas for growth
- To promote and facilitate the development of the new capabilities.

An inventory of available modeling and simulation resources and expertise has been compiled and is posted on nanoHub.org.

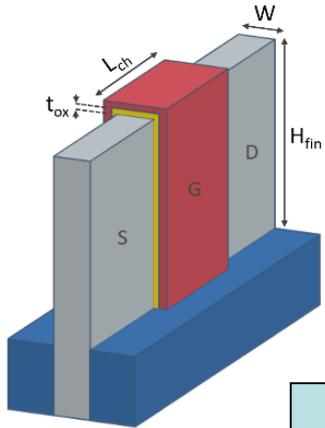
8 supercomputers or major computing clusters are available in various sites.

<https://www.nnci.net/computation-resources>

Computation @ NCI-SW (Prof. Dragica Vasileska)

- Research efforts:
 - **Low-power Silicon FinFET's:** Ballistic effects, Multi-Gate Granularity (MGG) and Hot-Carrier Degradation (HCD)
 - **High-power GaN MISFETs:** Low-Field Mobility Characterization
- Educational Activities:
 - Development of a **Short Course** on Device and Process Modeling using TCAD Tools.
 - *The short-course will have the format as the ones deployed on nanoHUB – U.*
 - Deployment of simulation software and educational material on nanoHUB.org

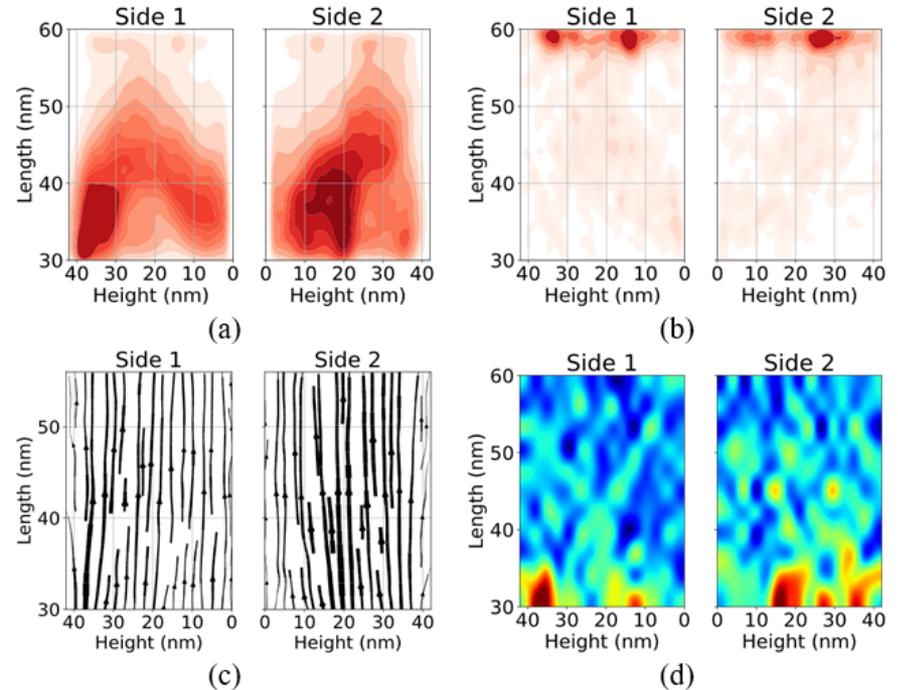
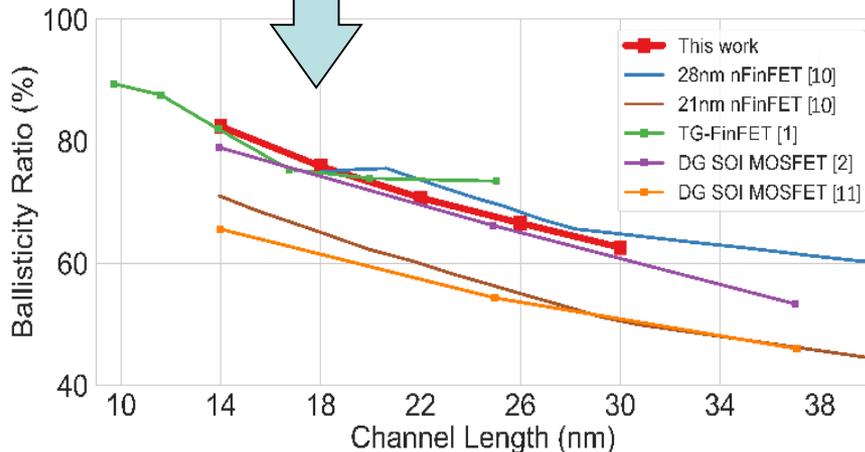
Device Simulation – Silicon FinFETs



Metal Gate Granularity

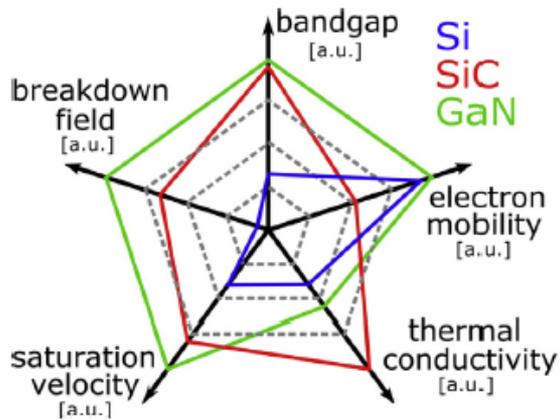
Hot Carrier Degradation

Ballistic Transport

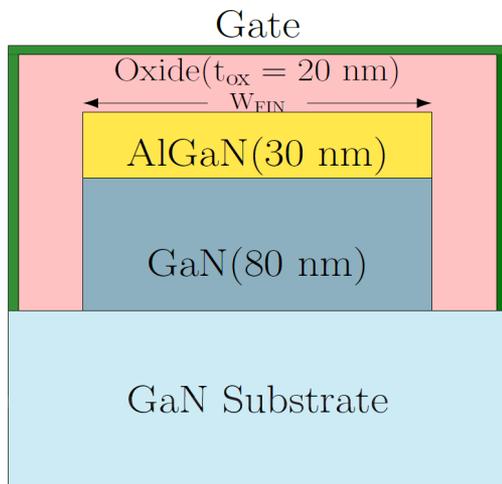


Evaluating MGG impact on the carriers' interaction with Si-SiO₂ interface through the evaluation of the KDE for the electrons that have energy above (a) 0.25 eV and (b) 1.25 eV, on percolation paths (c), and on a charged trap impact on the drain current according to its location in the Si-SiO₂ interface (d). In all cases, the left and right figures depict the two side channels of the FinFET device.

Device Simulation – GaN MISFETs

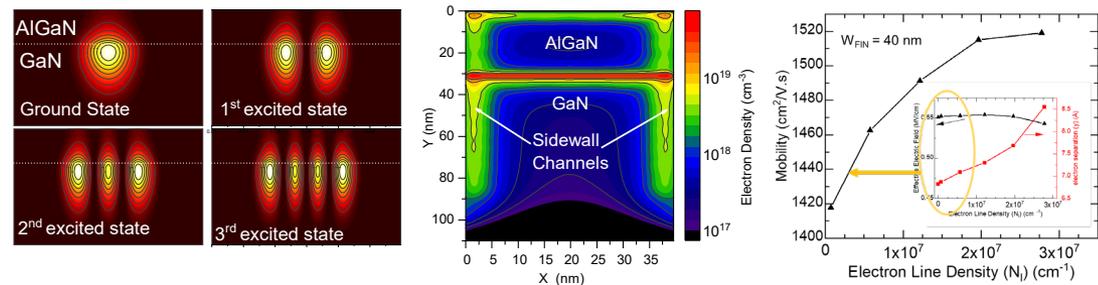
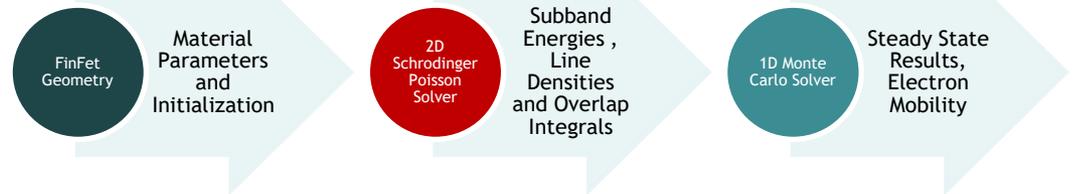


- High electron mobility and saturation drift velocity compared to SiC → *RF device applications*.
- Wide bandgap and a high breakdown field lead to high reverse blocking capability → *power device applications*.



GaN MISFET for RF applications

3D Poisson-2D Schrödinger-1D Monte Carlo Solver



Education: *Device and Process Simulation Course*

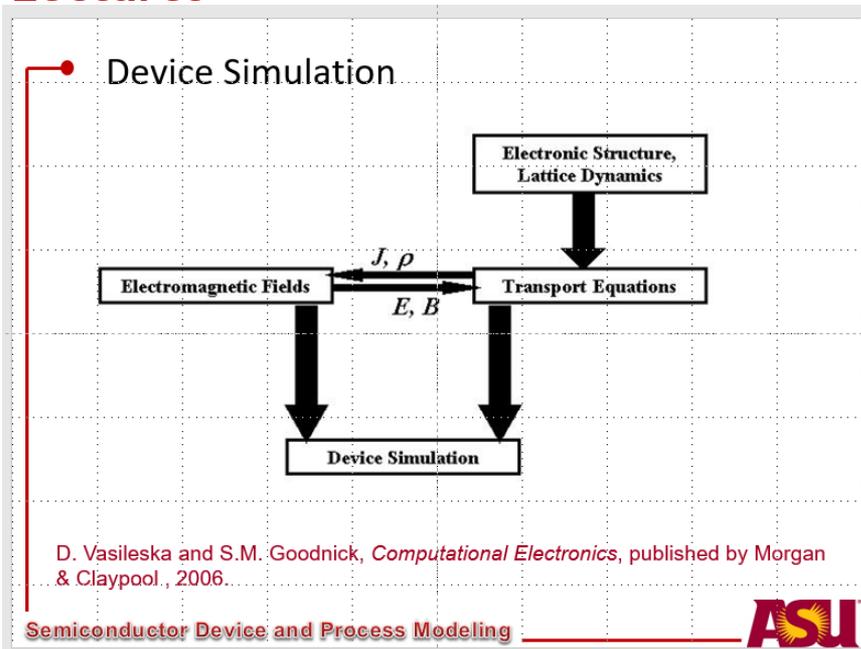
Self-Paced Short Course (5 weeks – equivalent to 1 credit hour)

Similar structure like nanoHUB-U courses

Lectures

Quizzes

Projects:



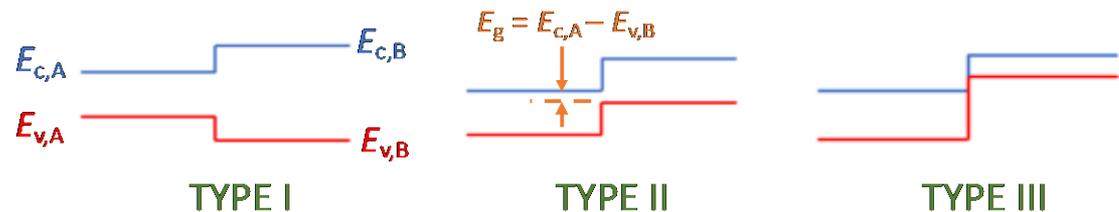
- Band-Structure Calculation Lab
- 1D DD Solver for pn-Diodes
- Silvaco TCAD:
 - MOSFETs Modeling: Scaling and Ballistic Effects
 - SOI Devices: Self-Heating Effects
 - Quantum Corrections to Semi-Classical Approaches - BQP
 - GaN HEMTs and Polarization Charges
 - Multi-Junction Solar Cells and BBT
 - Victory Process Modeling

2D Heterostructures @TNF (Prof. Frank Register)

- Vertical stacked
 - *van der Waals interaction*
 - *no dangling bonds* → *reduced interface traps*

- Optoelectronics

- improved scalability,
- controllability,
- tunability,
- flexibility



Type I: $E_{c,A} > E_{c,B}$, $E_{v,A} > E_{v,B}$; $E_g = E_{c,A} - E_{v,A}$

Type II: $E_{c,A} > E_{c,B}$, $E_{v,B} > E_{v,A}$; $E_g = E_{c,A} - E_{v,B}$

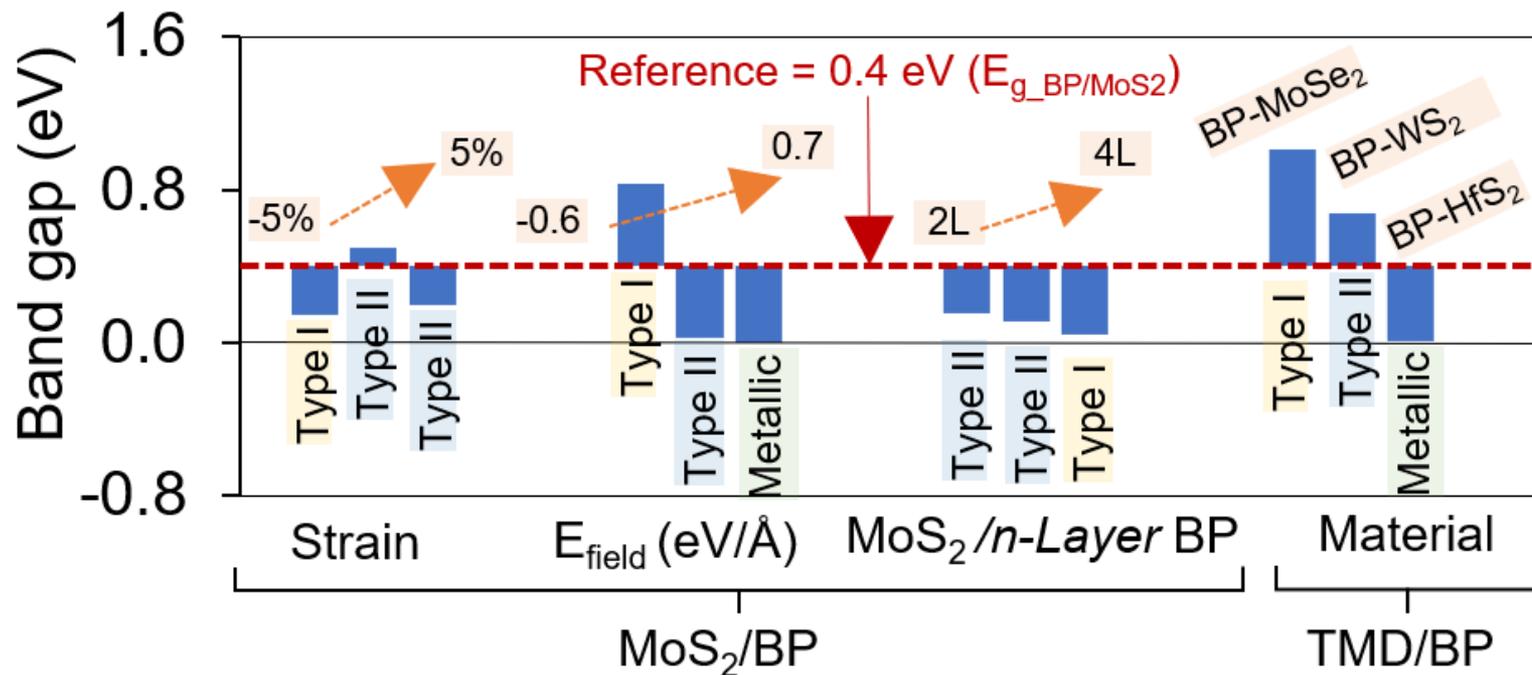
Type III $E_{c,A} > E_{c,B}$, $E_{v,B} > E_{v,A}$; $E_g = E_{c,A} - E_{v,B} < 0$

- Band tuning

- strain Engineering
- layer Engineering
- electric Field
- material Engineering

A more rigorous approach to addressing band *alignments* in 2D material heterostructures and a larger design space—addition of applied strain and electric fields.

Altering Band Alignment in BP/TMD Heterostructures



Modeling @ GT (Ferroelectrics, Antiferromagnets, Multiferroics, Magnets & their Heterojunctions)

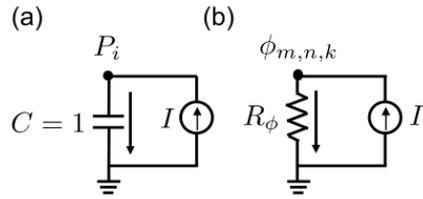
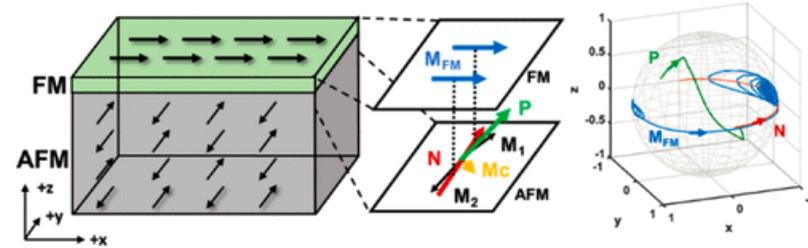
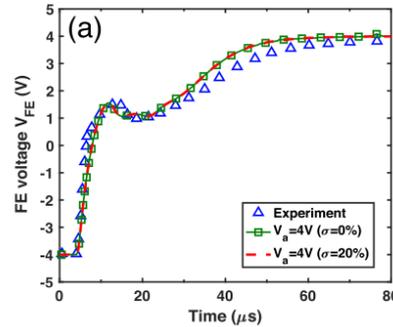
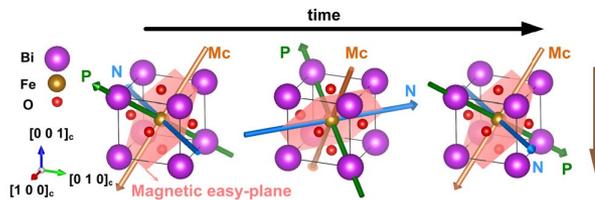


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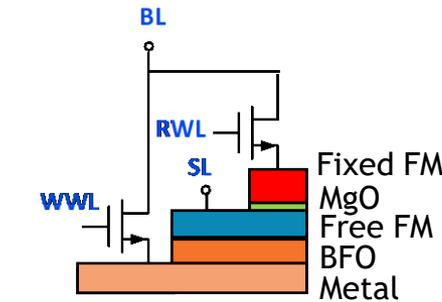
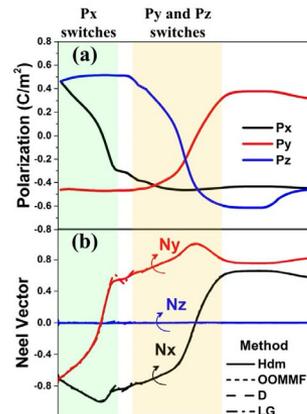
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 IEEE-Trans. Electron Devices, 2020

Dynamic Response of BFO/CoFe Heterostructure
 Nano Letters, 2020



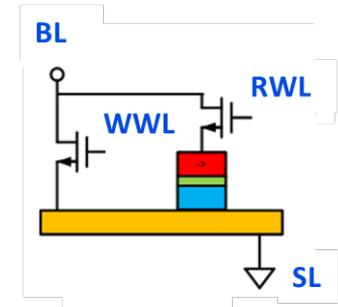
Magnetization Dynamics of a Single-Domain BiFeO₃ Nanowire

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SPICE Subcircuits for FE Simulations on nanoHUB

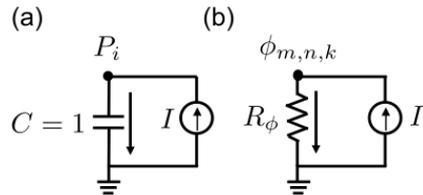
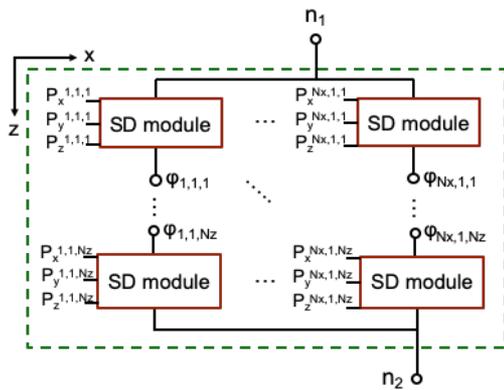


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A Circuit-compatible SPICE Model for Phase-field Simulations of Multi-domain Ferroelectrics

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Abstract: To describe the multi-domain FE switching dynamics, we present a circuit-compatible model that can solve the time-dependent Ginzburg-Landau (TDGL) equation and Poisson's equation self-consistently in three-dimensional space with the SPICE simulator. In addition, the FE domain structures captured by the phase-field model can also be simulated in a circuit-compatible manner with the proposed framework. This manual describes the theoretical framework and circuit model implementation.

The supporting files include: (see [supporting docs](#) for all materials)

NNCI Seminar Series

PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE

May 5, 2021 | 4PM - 5PM EDT

COMPUTATION TALK: SIMULATION SOFTWARE NEXT DOOR

Abstract: Advancement in technology is propelling the growth of the semiconductor industry like never before. Semiconductor trends that drive growth within the industry include the introduction of the 5G technology, the increased demand for Artificial Intelligence (AI) chips and AI applications, and Internet of Things (IoT). With more advanced IoT products within the market, starting from industrial automation systems to connected devices powered by semiconductors, IoT is about to supply diversified possibilities to semiconductor organizations.

In this talk, I will present a summary of the available simulation methodologies and products that can be useful to the NNCI community. In particular, I will focus on the capabilities of TCAD tools (such as Silvaco Victory, Synopsys Sentaurus, Comsol, etc.), tools available free of charge on nanoHUB.org, and few examples of in-house simulation tools that have not yet been adopted by the TCAD community.



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Arizona State University

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NNCI Seminar Series

June 23, 2021 | 4PM - 5PM EDT

COMPUTATION TALK: A CASE STUDY OF ESSENTIAL PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGES AS REVEALED THROUGH MODELING: QUANTUM-CORRECTED SEMICLASSICAL MONTE CARLO SCALING STUDY OF Si, Ge, AND INGaAs FINFETs

Abstract: This presentation will address material options, channel orientations, contact geometries, and the effects of scaling on n-channel FinFETs. However, the emphasis will be on the role and requirements of modeling and what we can learn from it in a complex system as much or more so than the system itself. How prior knowledge of possible essential physics in the system(s) of interest informs the model choice—a quantum-corrected semiclassical Monte Carlo method in this case—and how the model integrates that essential physics to produce perhaps unexpected results will be considered.



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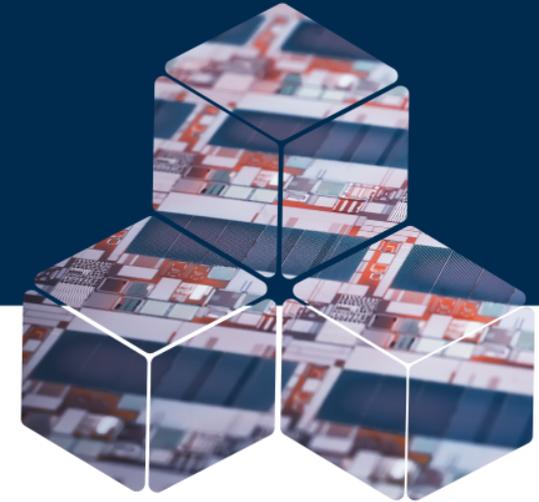


Upcoming NNCI Computation Webinar



NNCI Computation Webinar

November 10, 2021 | 4PM - 5PM ET



THE EVOLUTION OF PROCESS TCAD IN SEMICONDUCTOR R&D AND MANUFACTURING

Shela Aboud, Ph.D. | Sr. Product Marketing Manager, Synopsys

Abstract: Today, nearly every aspect of an integrated circuit is designed using electronic design automation (EDA) software. Technology computer aided design (TCAD) tools are used for modeling front-end-of-line manufacturing, including the fabrication (Process TCAD) and electrical characterization (Device TCAD) of individual transistors. These tools have been utilized over the last six decades to help realize Moore's law scaling – the driver behind the exponential increase in transistor density – alleviating the high cost of expensive fabrication experiments. The development of each logic node has, in turn, driven the development of the TCAD tools to account for new fabrication and manufacturing techniques.

In this talk, I will discuss how Process TCAD has evolved to keep up with technology evolution and how new drivers in electronics applications, such as 5G, IoT, and autonomous vehicles are driving the next generation process TCAD tools.



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