

# Ballistic Diffusive Approximation Superlattice

# Quantum Dot

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## Analysis of Nano-Scale Heat Conduction in the Quantum Dot Superlattice by Ballistic Diffusive Approximation

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### Abstract

Understanding the thermal conductivity and heat transfer processes in superlattice structures is critical for the development of thermoelectric materials and optoelectronic devices based on quantum structures. Chen<sup>(1)</sup> developed ballistic diffusive equation(BDE) for alternatives of the Boltzmann equation that can be applied to the complex geometrical situation. In this study, a simulation code based on BDE is developed and applied to the 1-dimensional transient heat conduction across a thin film and transient 2-dimensional heat conduction across the film with heater. The obtained results are compared to the results of the Chen<sup>(1)</sup> and Yang and Chen<sup>(1)</sup>. Finally, steady 2-dimensional heat conduction in the quantum dot superlattice are solved to obtain the equivalent thermal conductivity of the lattice and also compared with the experimental data from Borca-Tasciuc<sup>(2)</sup>.

$\alpha$ :		$b$ :	ballistic
$A$ :	(area vector)	$m$ :	diffusive
$C$ :	(specific heat)	$w$ :	(frequency)
$I$ :	(phonon Intensity)	$\xi, \eta$ :	
$k$ :		$\Omega$ :	(solid angle)
$q$ :		$\Lambda$ :	(mean free path)
$v$ :	(group velocity)		
$s$ :			1.
$u$ :			
$x, y$ :			

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(microelectronic)  
(optoelectronic) , (low-dimen  
sional thermoelectric) (thermionic)  
(thin film)  
(superlattice)

GaAs/AlAs, GaAs/AlGaAs, Si/SiGe, Si/Ge  
 가 (equivalent thermal conductivity)가 (composition alloy)

가 Boltzmann Transport Equation (BTE)

가 BTE 1 2 Chen<sup>(1)</sup> Boltzmann 1 2 가 Ballistic Diffusive Equation (BDE)

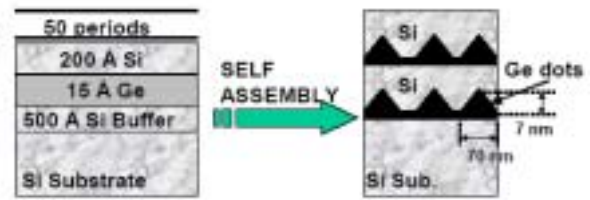
P<sub>1</sub> approximation method) P<sub>1</sub> ballistic (scattering) P<sub>1</sub> (modified) diffusive

diffusive (FDM) (FVM) ballistic (exact solution) (solid angle)

Chen<sup>(1)</sup> BDE 2 quantum dot superpattice 가 (thin film) BTE 2 quantum dot 가

**Table 1.** Room-temperature properties of the Si/Ge superlattices.

Material	Specific Heat ×10 <sup>6</sup> J/m <sup>3</sup> K	Group velocity m/s	Mean Free Path Å
Si	0.93	1804	2604
Ge	0.87	1042	1986



**Fig.1** Schematic of the Si/Ge quantum-dots superlattice.

BDE 가 2.1 Boltzmann (relaxation time approximation) Joshi and Majumdar<sup>(3)</sup>

$$(1)$$

$$\frac{\partial I_w}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla_r I_w = - \frac{I_w - I_{wo}}{\tau_w} \quad (1)$$

$$I_w$$

$$I^o(T) = \frac{Cv}{4\pi} (T - T_o) + I_{ref}^o \quad (2)$$

$$T_o \quad I_{ref}^o$$

$$I_w(t, r, v) = |v| h\omega f(t, r, v) D(\omega) / 4\pi \quad (3)$$

P<sub>1</sub>

ballistic  
(scattering)

$$I_w(t, r)$$

$$I_w(t, r) = I_{bw}(t, r) + I_{mw}(t, r) \quad (4)$$

$$I_{bw}(t, r), I_{mw}(t, r)$$

ballistic  
(1)

diffusive

(4)

$$\hat{s} \cdot \nabla I_{bw} = - \frac{I_{bw}}{|v| \tau_w} \quad (5)$$

$$\hat{s} \cdot \nabla I_{mw} = - \frac{I_{mw} - I_{ow}}{|v| \tau_w} \quad (6)$$

(5)

(6)

(4)

(5)

$$I(r, \hat{s}) = I[r - (s - s_0)\hat{s}] \times \exp\left(-\int_{s_0}^s \frac{ds}{|v| \tau_w}\right) \quad (7)$$

(frequency)

ballistic

diffusive

$$u = u_b + u_m = \int_{\Omega} h\omega f D(\omega) d\omega d\Omega / 4\pi \quad (8)$$

diffusive

$u_m$

$$\tau \frac{\partial^2 u_m}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{k}{C} \nabla u_m \right) - \nabla \cdot q_b \quad (9)$$

$$\vec{q}_b(t, r, s) = \int I_b(t, r, s) \hat{s} d\Omega \quad (10)$$

Chen<sup>(1)</sup>

$$u = u_m + u_b = C(T_m + T_b) \quad (11)$$

2.2

BDE

Fig.1

Si Ge

diffusive

diffusive

incident diffusive

carrier

diffusive

$u_m$

$$\tau \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial t} + u_m = \frac{2\Lambda}{3} \nabla u_m \cdot \hat{n} \quad (12)$$

3.

3.1

Fig.2

dot

x, y

141

Ge가

50

Si

가 1.075m

Borca-Tascluc et al<sup>(4)</sup>

가

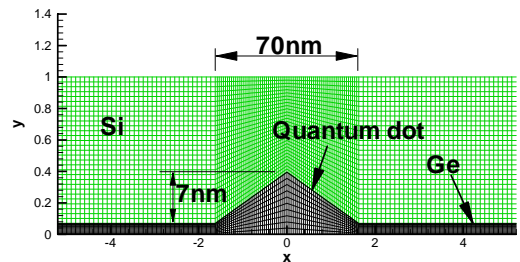


Fig.2 Grid System of the Si/Ge quantum-dots superlattice.

가  
 1.007 K      0.093 K  
 가              27.8mW, 26.5mW  
 Fig. 2  
 dot              가              70nm, 7  
 nm      Ge              1.5nm, Si              20nm  
 .      Dot              2×10<sup>9</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>      dot      dot  
 .      0.224μm              x  
 .      Fig.2              (z)      dot  
 .              2  
 가              가

3.2

Quantum dot

(7) diffusive

$$a_P u_{m,P} = a_E u_{m,E} + a_W u_{m,W} + a_N u_{m,N} + a_S u_{m,S} - S_{u_m} \quad (13)$$

$$\alpha_E = \left( \frac{k}{C} \frac{\vec{A}^1 \cdot \vec{A}^1}{\sqrt{g}} \right)_e, \quad \alpha_W = \left( \frac{k}{C} \frac{\vec{A}^1 \cdot \vec{A}^1}{\sqrt{g}} \right)_w$$

$$\alpha_N = \left( \frac{k}{C} \frac{\vec{A}^2 \cdot \vec{A}^2}{\sqrt{g}} \right)_n, \quad \alpha_S = \left( \frac{k}{C} \frac{\vec{A}^2 \cdot \vec{A}^2}{\sqrt{g}} \right)_s$$

$$\nabla \cdot q_b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (A_1^1 q_{bx} + A_2^2 q_{by}) \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} (A_1^2 q_{bx} + A_2^2 q_{by}) \right)$$

$\sqrt{g}$  Jacobian,  $A^i$

(area vector)  $A_j^i$

$$A^i \quad j \quad (13) \quad q_b$$

, ballistic

(10)

ballistic

$$q_{bx} = q_b \cdot i = \int I_b (\hat{s} \cdot i) d\Omega \quad (14)$$

$$= \int_A I_b \frac{\Delta x}{s^4} [n_1 \Delta x + n_2 \Delta y] dl \cdot dz$$

$$q_{by} = q_b \cdot j = \int I_b (\hat{s} \cdot j) d\Omega \quad (15)$$

$$= \int_A I_b \frac{\Delta y}{s^4} [n_1 \Delta x + n_2 \Delta y] dl \cdot dz$$

$$u_b = \int \frac{I_b}{v} d\Omega \quad (16)$$

$$= \int_A I_b \frac{1}{s^3} [n_1 \Delta x + n_2 \Delta y] dl \cdot dz$$

$I_b$

$I_W$

가

$$I_b = I_W \exp\left(-\frac{s}{\Lambda}\right) \quad (17)$$

(14)-(16)      l      2

2      가      Gauss-Legendre inte-  
 gration scheme

3.3

Fig.2

diffusive

x-

가 0

ballistic

(gray body)

(reflection)

(radiosity)

$$J_b = T + r \int_A J_b F_{dA-dA} \exp\left(-\frac{s}{\Lambda}\right) \quad (18)$$

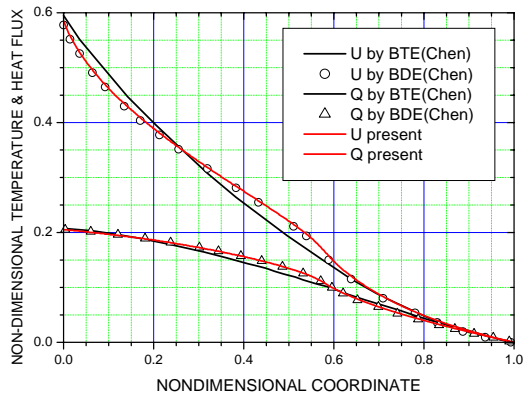


Fig.3 Comparison of the non-dimensional heat flux and temperature for thin film.

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$$J_b = \pi I_b \tag{19}$$

(14)-(16) (18)

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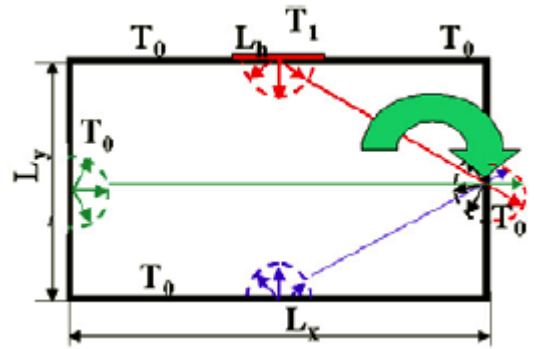


Fig.4 Schematic of the film with heater.

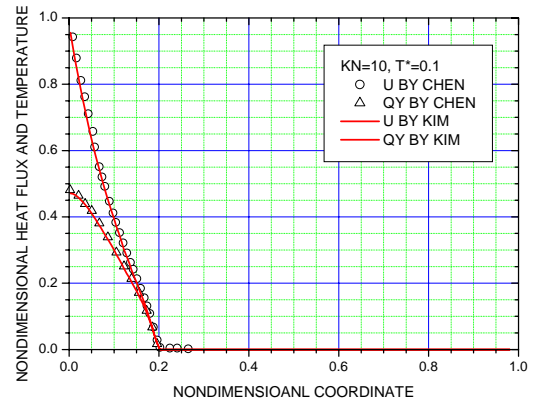
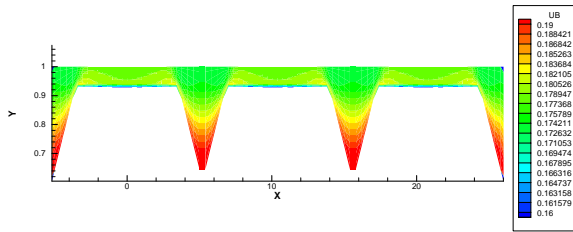


Fig.5 Comparison of the non-dimensional heat flux and temperature for 2-dimensional film with heater.

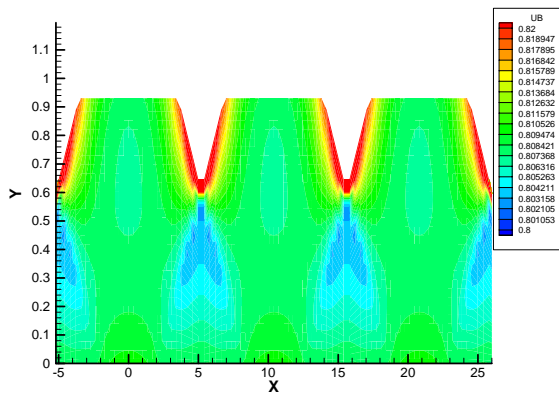
Fig.3

Chen<sup>(1)</sup> BTE  
 Fig.3 dot가  
 BDE  
 (Kn = λ/L)가 1  
 Chen(1) BTE, BDE  
 Chen(1) BDE  
 Chen(1) BDE 가 BTE  
 BDE가 BTE  
 가 가  
 ballistic diffusive  
 ballistic

diffusive  
 BDE  
 diffusive  
 가  
 Fig.4 2 Fig.5 2  
 Fig.5 Fig.6  
 Chen<sup>(2)</sup>  
 Fig.5 Fig.6  
 dot 가  
 quantum  
 quantum dot  
 가



(a)



(b)

Fig.6 Temperature distribution of superlattice.  
(a) Ge (b) Si

quantum dot

가

quantum dot

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quantum dot

5.

Ballistic diffusive equation

2

$P_1$

BDE

가

BTE

가

$P_1$

가

(diffusion approximation)  
ballistic

가

BDE

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