

Distributed parallel non-equilibrium Green's function approach to inelastic charge transport

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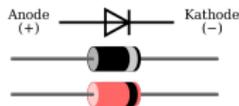
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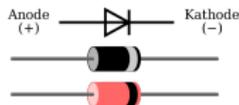
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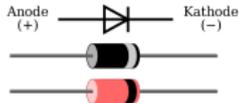


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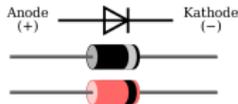
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The physical system consists of

- electrons,
- phonons,
- an applied bias through the contacts.

- Objective: simulation of microscopic structure where quantum effects are relevant,
 - The physical system in question is out of the equilibrium,
 - Inelastic quantum transport of paramount importance,
- ⇒ Semi-classical device simulation no longer valid,
- ⇒ NEGF formalism allows consistent treatment of inelastic quantum transport in nanostructures and meets all the requirements.

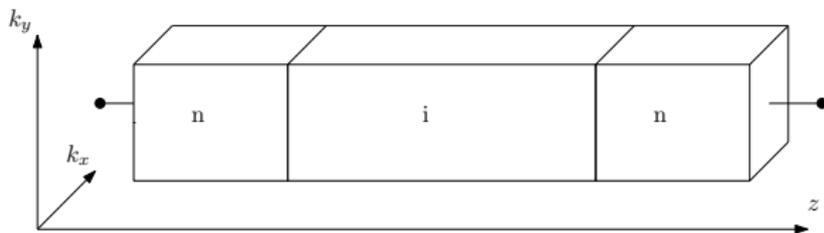
NEGF framework

Theoretical challenges and model requirements

- The system has *open boundary conditions* since the diode is coupled to contacts by contact self-energies,
- the *steady state* condition allows Fourier transformation of time difference to energy,
- due to the applied bias the system is *out of equilibrium*,
- the scattering is *non ballistic* due to scattering effects (phonons),
- simulation addresses inelastic *quantum transport* in a consistent and complete way.

- quasi 1-D representation for steady-state Green's functions:

$$G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', E) \rightarrow G(z, z', \mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E)$$



- steady state NEGF equations:

- Computation of G_0^R

$$[E - \mathcal{H}_0(z, \mathbf{k}_{\parallel})]G_0^R(z, z', \mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E) = \delta(z - z')$$

- Dyson equation

$$G^R(z, z', \mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E) = G_0^R(z, z', \mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E) + \int dz_1 \int dz_2 G_0^R(z, z_1, \mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E) \Sigma^R(z_1, z_2, \mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E) G^R(z_2, z', \mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E)$$

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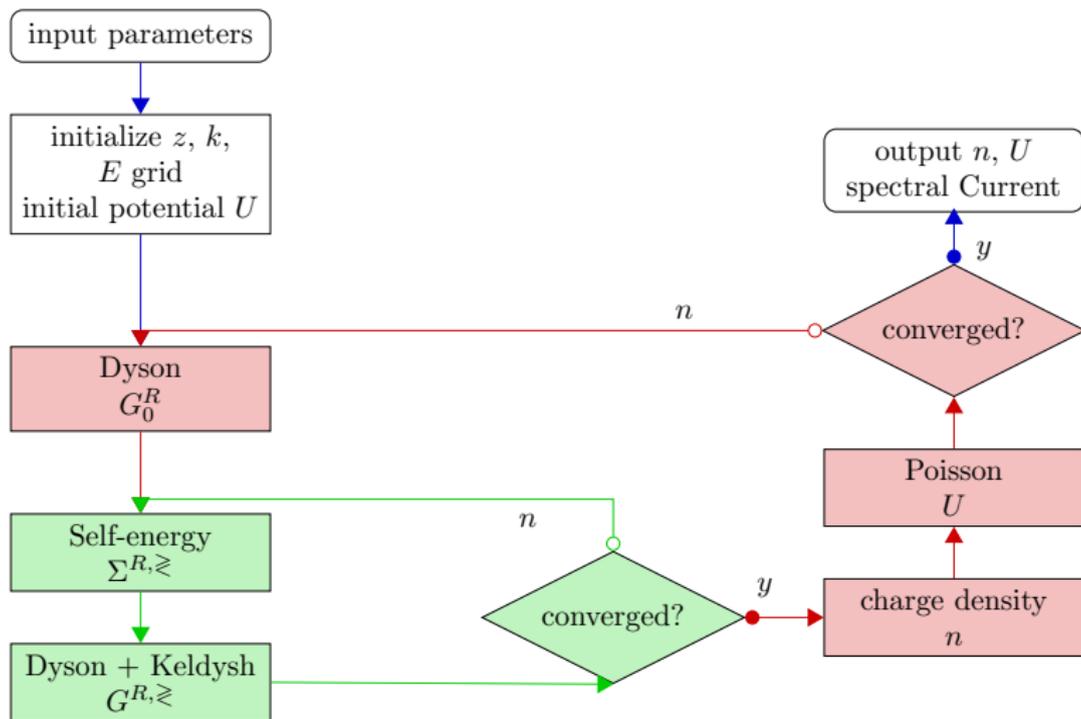
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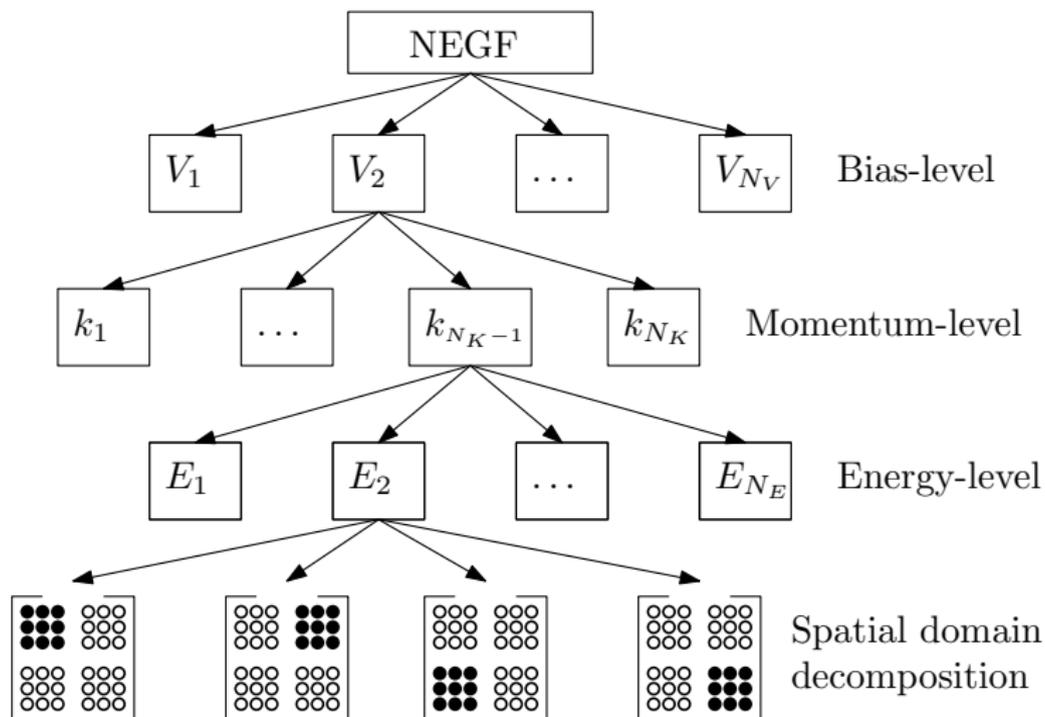
→ Self-energy needs to be solved self-consistently.

Flowchart of NEGF



Parallelization

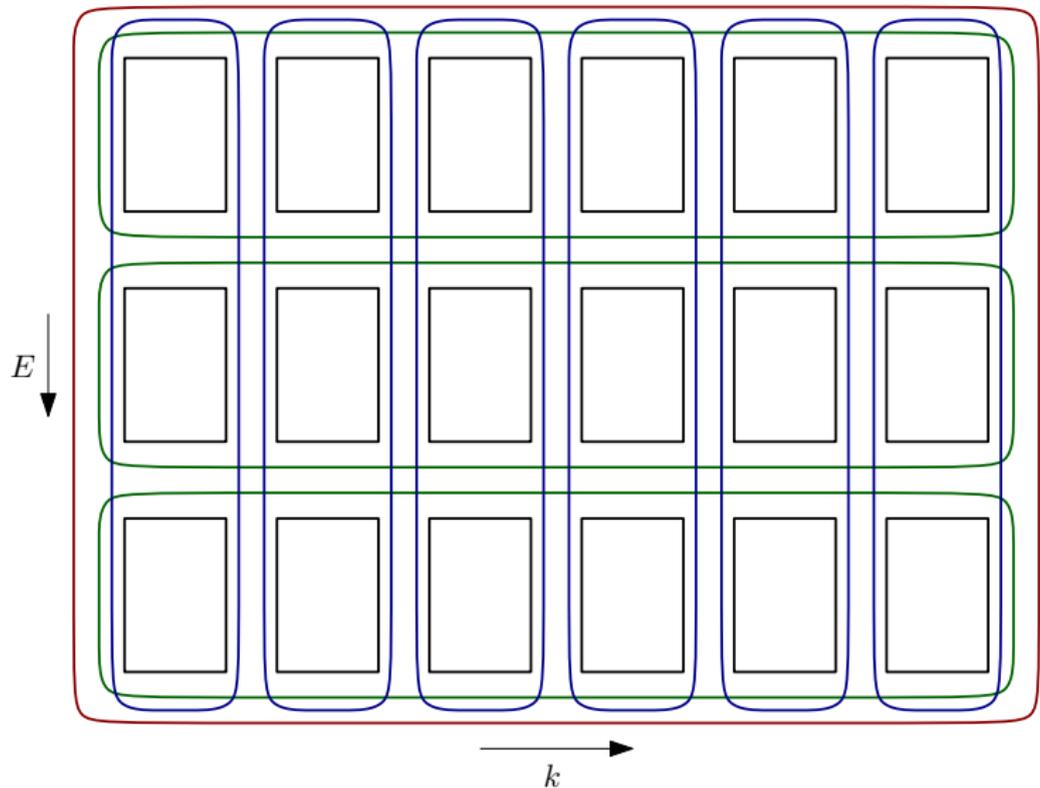
Parallelization levels



Momentum and energy distribution

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Cartesian topology



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3 Communication across momentum + remote update

- exchange H across the momentum level
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Results

Speedup on Juqueen

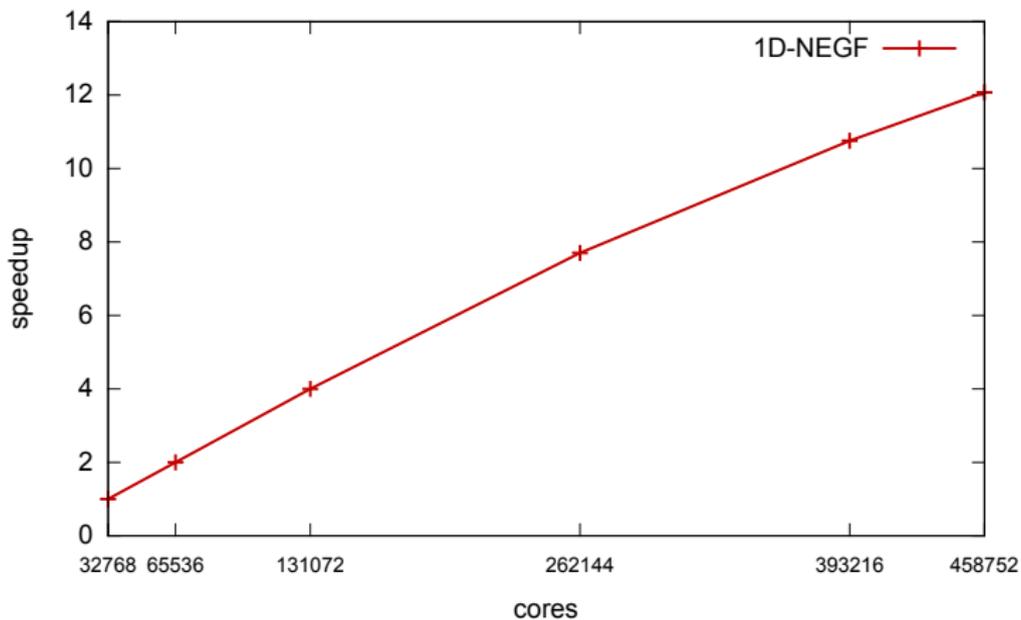


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Efficiency on Juqueen

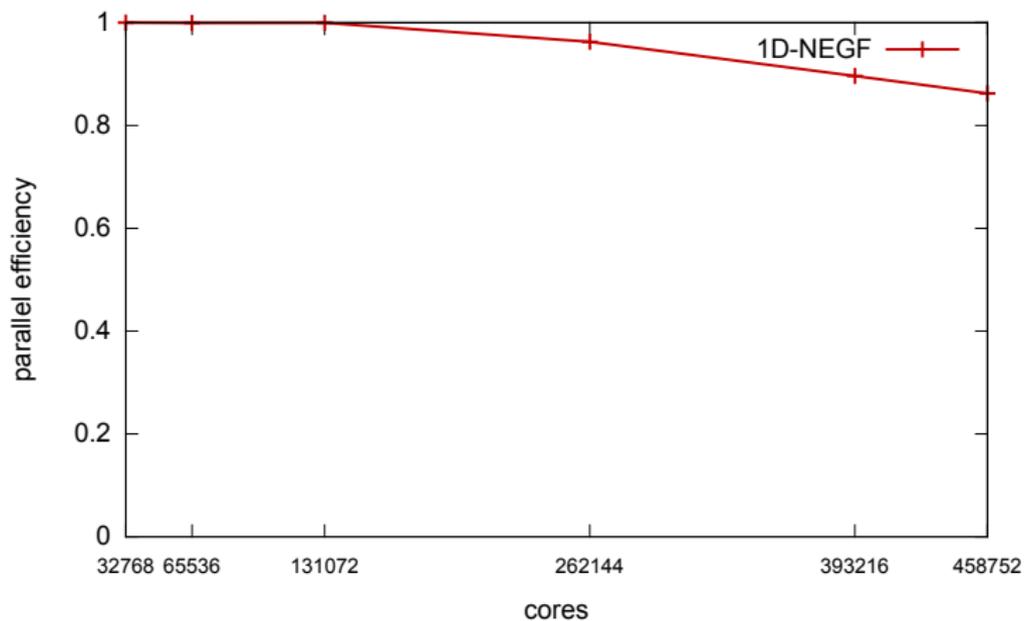


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- A efficient parallelization approach was presented,
- the approach can use MPI, OpenMP, or both,
- scaling up to 458.762 cores on JUQUEEN.

- Using the parallelization approach in PVnegf,
- implementation of advanced mixing schemes and preconditioner,
- adaptive mesh and adaptive integration.

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