

ME Seminar



Building up Towards Thermal Transport in Heterostructures

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ABSTRACT

The objective being to study thermal transport, there are three aspects to achieving this - sample preparation to validate previous results, heterostructure preparation and characterization, and using computational tools to understand these systems. In this summary of work to date talk, I shall touch upon designing a microscope and a custom Raman setup. I shall discuss preliminary results from using silicon nitride as protective layer for fabrication of silicon membranes. Heterostructures could have complex geometries that require the use of computational methods to understand transport. In this regard, I shall discuss the application of Monte Carlo method to solve Boltzmann transport equation under relaxation time approximation. This was implemented in Fortran with the use of parallelization, and was validated for systems with various boundary conditions.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

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