

422. Title:Improved negative differential mobility model of GaN and AlGa<sub>N</sub> for a terahertz Gunn diode

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Abstract:This paper presents an improved negative differential mobility model for GaN and AlGa<sub>N</sub> to simulate GaN Gunn diodes at terahertz frequencies. Temperature-dependent parameters  $\mu_{\text{sat}}$ ,  $E_c$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\delta$ , and  $\gamma$  are proposed to improve the accuracy of the mobility model at high temperatures. In particular, an Al-composition-related coefficient  $f_Z(x)$  and a random-alloy-potential-related factor  $f_{\text{alloy}}(p)$  are developed for an AlGa<sub>N</sub> mobility model. Simulation results show that notched doping GaN and AlGa<sub>N</sub>/GaN heterostructure Gunn diodes, both including 0.6- $\mu\text{m}$  transit and 0.2- $\mu\text{m}$  electron launching regions, have the capability of generating fundamental frequencies of 352-508 and 332-469 GHz, respectively, with a maximum radio-frequency (RF) power density of  $\sim 1010\text{W}/\text{cm}^3$  and RF efficiency of over 2% accompanied with a shift of an oscillation mode from a dipole-domain mode toward an accumulation mode as the temperature rises from 300 to 500 K.