# **Diffusion boundary layer in typical MOCVD reactors**



#### **Close Coupled Showerhead**

• Boundary layer has insufficient place to form, diffusion occurs through the fixed gap



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#### **Rotating Disk Reactor**

 Narrow rotation boundary layer is formed due to the dominant susceptor rotation

#### **Horizontal/Planetary Reactor**

 Non-uniform wall boundary layer is formed due to the dominant gas flow

# Approach to unsteady modeling of InGaN/GaN MOCVD



## **Crystal**

- Unsteady formation of composition profile in InGaN/GaN
- Generation of dislocations

#### Gas flow core

• Unsteady supply of precursors TMIn, TMGa, TEGa, and  $NH_3$  with carrier  $N_2$  and  $H_2$ 

### **Diffusion boundary layer**

• Diffusion transport of gas species to/from the interface

#### Adsorbed layer

- Unsteady balance of adsorbed atoms In, Ga, N, and H
- Mass exchange with gas (adsorption/desorption)
- Mass exchange with crystal (incorporation/decomposition)



## (0001) InGaN/GaN: critical layer thickness



#### V-shaped Dislocation half-loops:

- are generated at the growth surface and frequently climb down to the InGaN/GaN interface
- are observed on both sapphire and bulk GaN substrates
- present in thick layers with low  $x_{in}$  and MQWs of various compositions
- density is order/orders of magnitude higher than the TD density in underlying GaN

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- 1. "No Relaxation: is pseudomorphically grown on the underlying layer (GaN by default).
- 2. "V-dislocations": Stress relaxation in the InGaAIN/GaN active region via formation of V-shaped dislocation half-loops is considered.
- 3. only the growth rate of the layers in the before(n-GaN) and after active region(p-GaN) is automatically caculated. other units is not automatically caculated.
- 4. "Standard": ignoring surface site blocking with adsorbed indium
- 5. "Site Blocking": considering surface site blocking with adsorbed indium
- 6. "No segregation": the nominal composition profile without 'In' segregation
- 7. "Reference Growth Rate, um/h": is used to estimate the boundary layer thickness at the stage of thick GaN growth.

User can input the average growth rate of thick GaN layer in user's reactor configuration.

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A.: to specify directly the boundary layer thickness for each stage in the active region ==>For fine tunning in case the well/barrier thickness/composition are known with high accuracy!

- B.: Since the boundary layer thickness is computed differently for different reactor types.
- C.: To have to specify an average growth rate and composition for each layer in the active region.
  - STREEM utilizes the partial GaN growth rate [VgGaN~(1-XIn)\*VgInGaN]
  - ==> Should be specified for each stage in the active region



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\_Modeling of the stress and compsotion profile is actually performed for the active region, so thick InGaN layer or superlattice can be considered in the "Active region" tab.

-복수선택: "Shift +left mouse"

-반복을 원하는 레이어들을 "shift+left mouse"클릭-->"Repeat count"클릭 --->반복횟수 입력

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-Process parameter 입력시 stepwise(계단형)형태의 변화를 피하고 slope을 주어 입력함(리액터 inlet에서의 gas composition의 stepwise 변화가

있더라도 growth 표면에서는 gas species interfusion때문에 smoothe 해지기 때문)!

예를들면, 사용자 가이드 Fig.7.3 참고

"Relaxation Model" option과 dislocation density입력

-"main paramters"탭에서 "V-shaped dislocation"을 선택한 경우, active region의 dislocation density가 자동으로 계산되기 때문에 입력할 필요가 없음

-"main paramters"탭에서 "No Relaxation" 이 선택된 경우 active region 탭의 모든 layer에 직접 입력하거나 이전 layer에서 상속 받아야함.

<sup>-</sup> 만약, Before Active region(n-GaN)탭에서 어떤 layer도 정의되지 않았다면 Active region의 첫번째 layer에서 dislocation density를 정의해야함





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