



# Design for Mixed Technology Integration Composite CAD



*Design Technology for Micro-fabricated, Mixed-Technology Systems*

Will Enable the Design of These Targeted Mixed-Technology Applications:

- Complex MEMS sensor / actuator integrated with control electronics
- Micro-fluidic testing lab (control electronics, fluidic processing nodes and channels), processing or hydraulic system
- Microwave T/R modules with integrated high frequency electronics, MEMS switches, A/D or D/A converters and optical signal coupling
- “Robotic” (3D mechanics) actuation and electronic control for optic couplers, etc.

*Focus on monolithic or minimally assembled structures (mass fabrication)*

Composing systems with new, unique device technologies and local processing will create the most capable weapon, sensor, and actuator systems



# Design for Mixed Technology Integration (Composite CAD)



**Enable the early exploitation of revolutionary micro-fabricated technologies  
by developing the necessary design technology**  
with a focus on designing integrated mixed-technology single IC's.

- Enable analysis and optimization of 100's to 1000's of analog, digital, MEMS and optical devices integrated into a single design
- Increase dramatically the explorable space of design options for devices and systems
- Develop an integrated, design tool framework for micro-fabricated systems of devices
- Shorten MEMS device development time by 100x
- **Invent** coupled analysis of 3D shapes with a focus on device modeling and analysis.
  - 3D shape-based, *coupled energy-domain analysis* with integrated adaptive meshing for simultaneous mechanical, electrical, electro-magnetic, and fluidic analysis
  - 3D shape modeling and visualization of structures and results
- **Develop** composable design environment for micro-fabricated system design
  - Create and adopt interchange formats for shape, fabrication and functional design tools
  - New Layout-versus-Schematic (LVS) consistency and manufacturing Design Rule Checkers (DRC)
  - Shape extrusion from fabrication masks based on process modeling for multiple technologies
- **Create** tools to extract manufacturable, parameter-based, device and interconnect component libraries
  - Lumped / table-based model extraction from coupled energy analysis
- **Research** mixed-technology system specification and synthesis with a focus on modeling based analysis and processing / material variance based optimization



# Composite CAD Will Enable Design of Key Components



Military

Dual-Use

Manufacturing, Design

Systems

Personal Inertial Navigation Chip

Solid State, Monolithic Phased Array Element

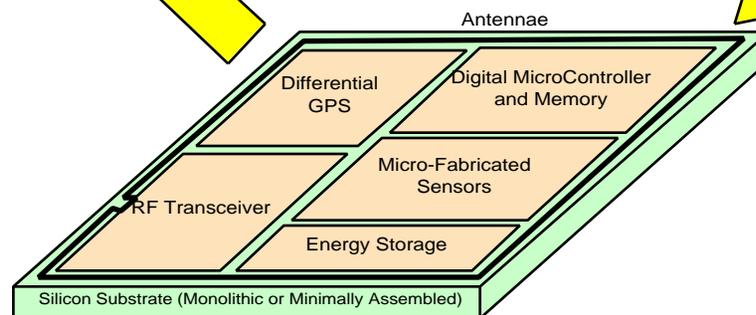
MicroFluidic Testing Chip



Workstation Based Integrated Design Tool

Components

Target Goal:



Highly Integrated, Co-designed & Fabricated Single "Chip" System



# Problems Designing Mixed-Technology Systems Today



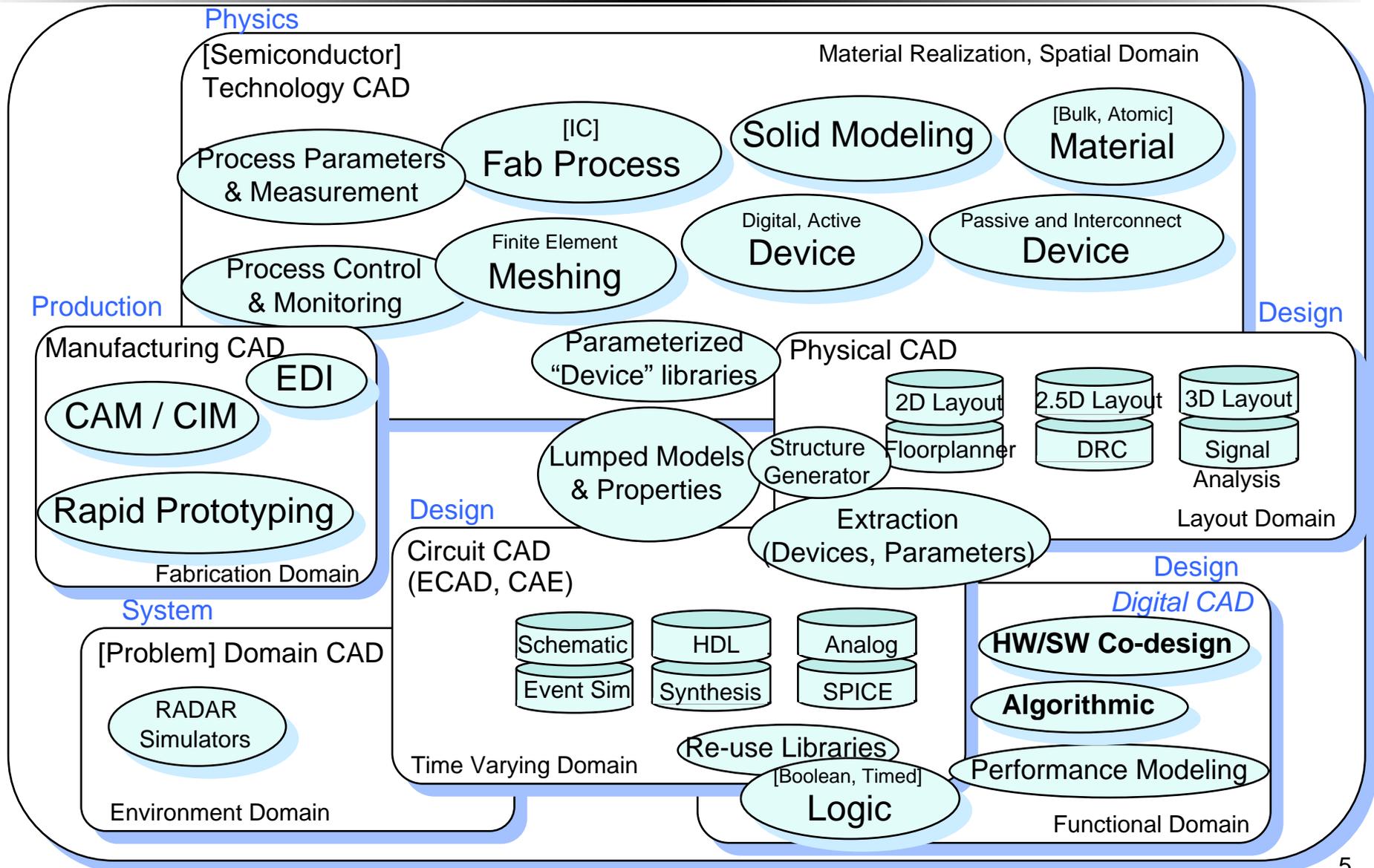
- Integrated microdevice and system design not large enough to catch the attention of ECAD / TCAD design tool companies (paradigm shift)
- Stove pipe TCAD tools have not developed common interfaces between shape, meshing, solver, visualization tools that allow needed extensions
- Microdevices have coupled energy domain behavior that is not intuitive
- First order generalized 3D device analysis is not computationally feasible
- Increasing need for optimizing second and third order effects that cannot be accounted for in isolation
- Lumped element, multi-node device models cannot be readily created
- No parameterized, fabrication-sensitive device models are available for design
- Mixed technology design is currently a long layout-build-verify process with little optimization possible
- No design framework for emerging microdevice based system tools (micro-optics, microfluidics, etc.)
- Single MEMS devices take more than one year to design and validate



# Diversity of Computer-Aided Design (CAD) Tools



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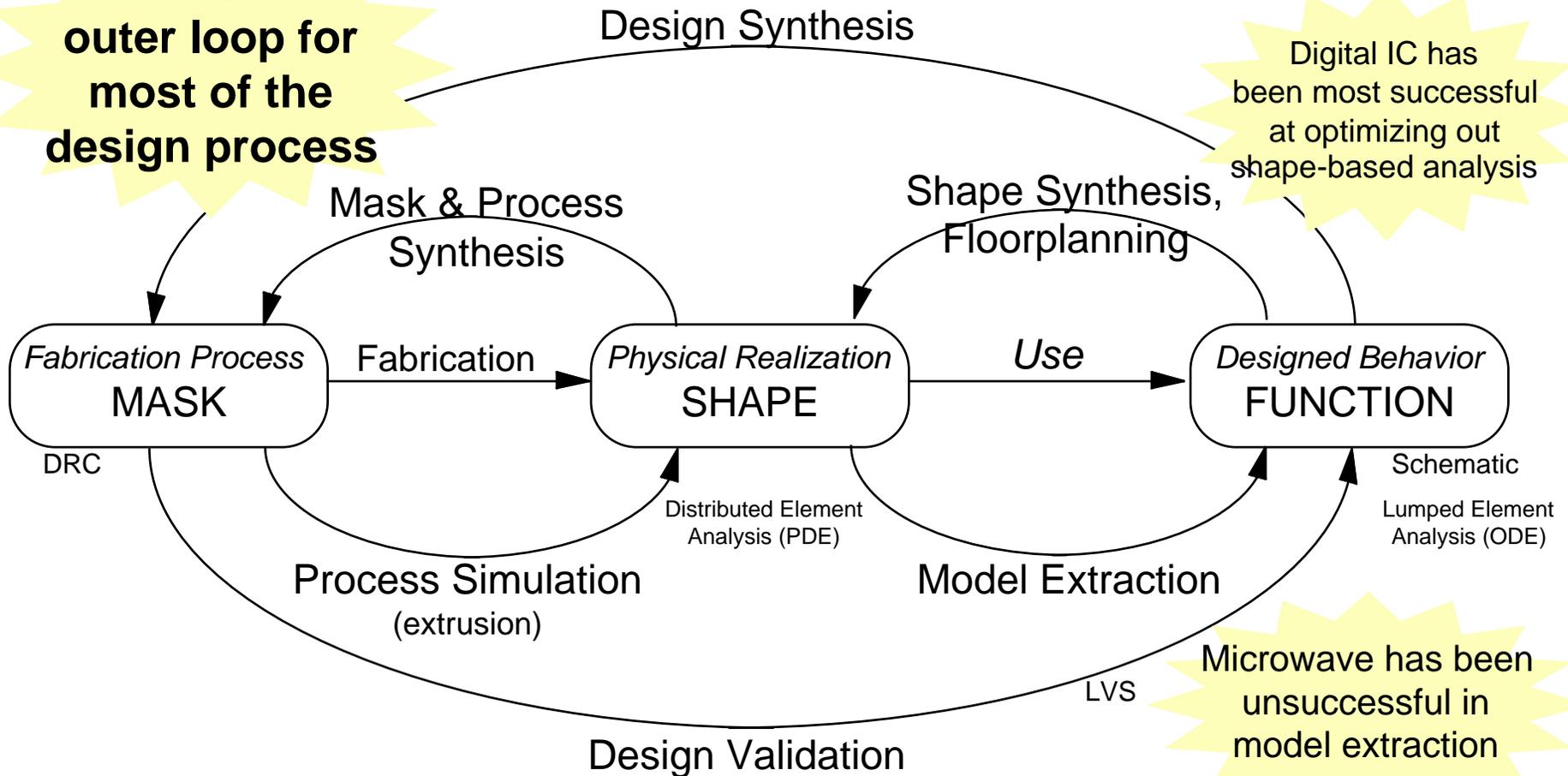
# Mixed Technology Design Methodology



**Goal is outer loop for most of the design process**

**Digital IC has been most successful at optimizing out shape-based analysis**

**Microwave has been unsuccessful in model extraction**



Optimization issues:

Cost, Produceability

Power, Thermal Dissipation, Stress/strain, Volume/Area, Environmental Immunity

Flexibility, Functionality

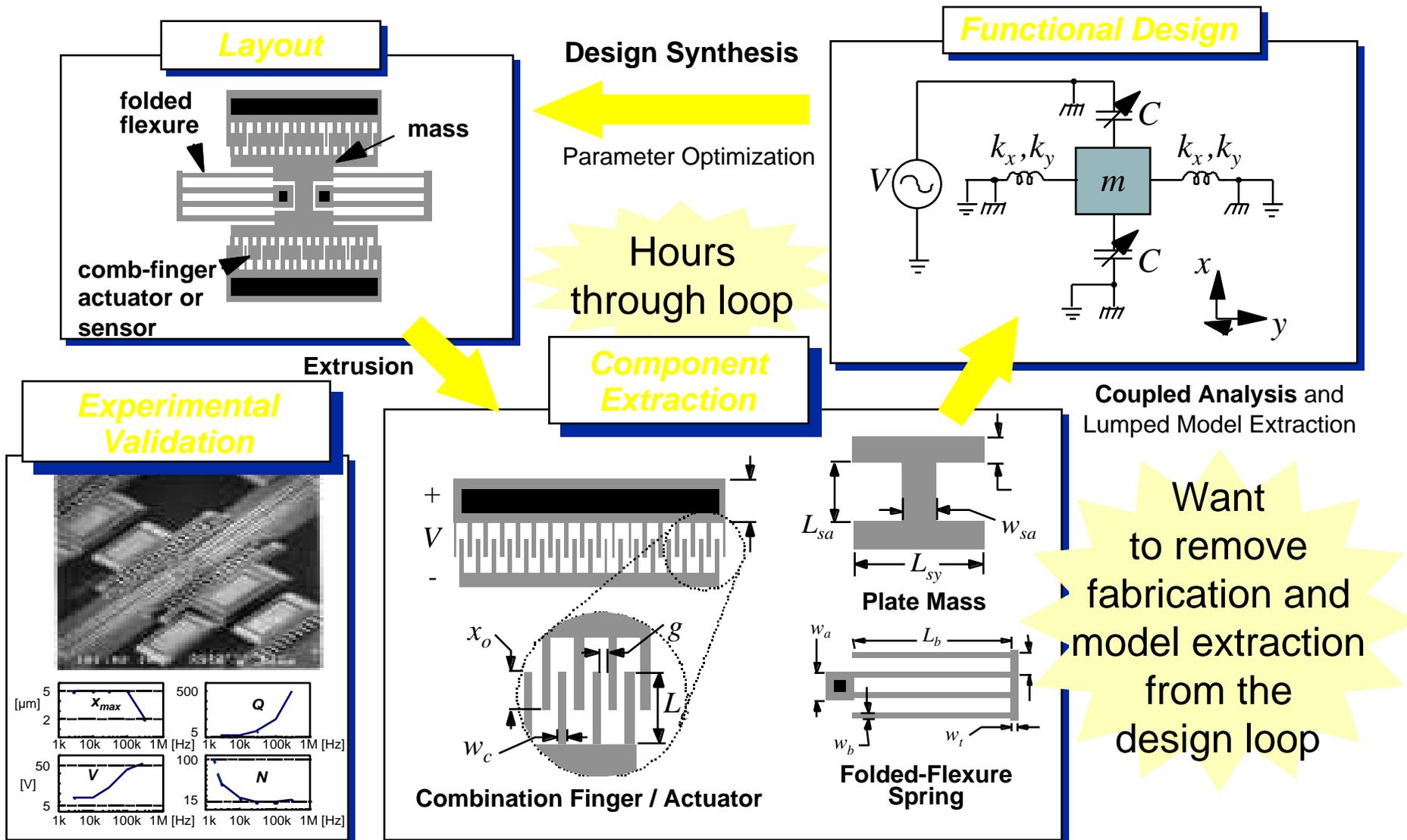
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# Resonator Design after Composite CAD



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Adapted from: G. Fedder, CMU



# BAA 96-16 Selections

(actual or near award)



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# Foundations of MEMS Synthesis

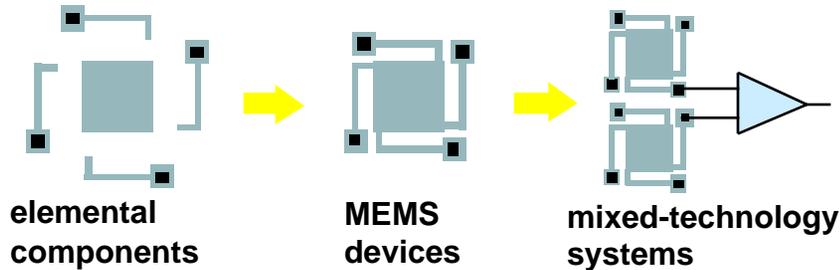
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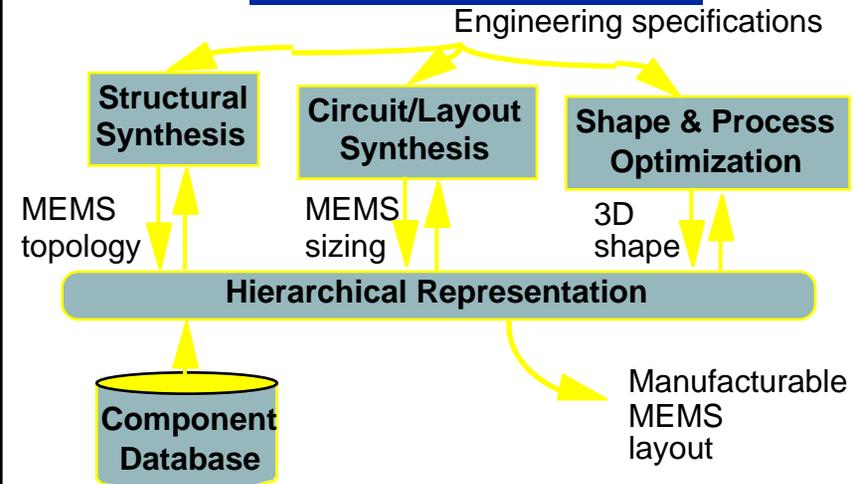
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## Goal/Objectives

Reduce design time of manufacturable, mixed-domain, multi-device MEMS from years to days by developing a hierarchical design methodology and associated synthesis tools.



## Tasks/Approach



## Status/Accomplishments

- In first 6 months, develop initial:
- hierarchical representation
  - component library
  - design rule approach
  - optimization models
- and install software and equipment

## Schedule/Milestones

- 9/97 ■ 6-DOF microresonator synthesis example
- 6/98 ■ Graphical design representation
- 9/98 ■ Synthesis with circuits; Accelerometer synthesis example; calculation of quasistatic surface sensitivities to process variations
- 6/99 ■ MEMS connectivity grammar
- 9/99 ■ Synthesis with manufacturing constraints; Gyroscope synthesis example; dynamic surface sensitivity calculation



# Portable Coupled Field CAD



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Lead Organization: Coyote Systems

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Objectives</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Radically simplify MEMS modeling</li> <li>• Develop portable tool</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Approach</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employ boundary element method</li> <li>• Portable MATLAB implementation</li> <li>• Solvers address coupled linear/nonlinear/timevarying field equations</li> <li>• Fast <math>O(N \log N)</math> computations</li> <li>• Incremental release of software</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Status</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preliminary teaming arrangement established with Sandia National Laboratories, Hewlett-Packard, Draper Labs, Texas Instruments, University of California</li> <li>• Prototype 3D boundary element method (BEM) code working</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Schedule</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Software release every six months starting at contract award</li> <li>• First Year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- scalar/vector solvers &amp; visualization, 2D/3D Navier &amp; Laplace discretization</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Second Year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- GUI, coupled &amp; iterative solvers, nonlinear/timevarying &amp; 2D/3D Helmholtz discretization</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Third Year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- mask input, fast solvers, modal analysis &amp; adaptive discretization</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



# NetFlow: CAD For Chemical Transport In Microfabricated Fluid Interconnects



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## Goals

Develop Design Automation Tools Which Will Enable Rapid Design of Complex Microchemical Fluidic Networks Within MEMS



## Tasks

### Develop Tools For:

- Generating Fluidic Networks (NetFlow-G)
- Analyzing Microfluidic Containment (NetFlow-C)
- Analyzing Microfluidic Transport (NetFlow-T)

## Status

- Team Assembled
- Subcontracts Drafted
- Design and Experimental Work Commencing

## Schedule

- **Year 1:** NetFlow-C,T,G v1.0, Test & Validate NetFlow-C
- **Year 2:** NetFlow-C,T,G v2.0, Test & Validate NetFlow-T
- **Year 3:** NetFlow-C,T,G v3.0, Test & Validate NetFlow-T

Duration: 36 mos

Start: 29 Aug 96

Complete: 29 Aug 99

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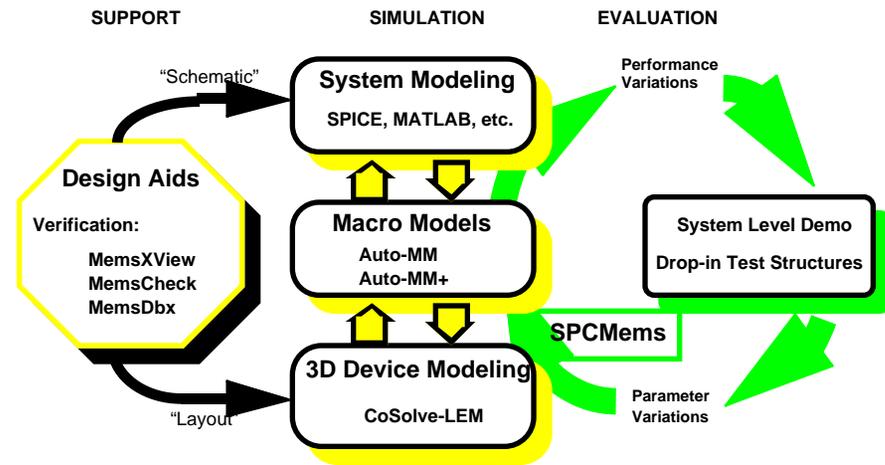


# Analog Devices \* Microcosm



## Objective

Develop a Suite of CAD Tools that provide a Self-Consistent Modeling environment enabling the effective *Design, Simulation, Verification, and Manufacturing* of large, rigid, complex MEMS devices



## Status / Accomplishments

- New employee requisitions are completed and both Analog Devices and Microcosm are actively staffing up for the program.
- Memcad 3.0 software and its required hardware has been purchased.
- Preliminary work on automatic macro-model generation has been begun.

Sept 96-Aug 99

## Schedule / Milestones

### Modeling Tools (Q4-99)

- *Co-Solve-Lem* Large Rigid Structures
- *AutoMM* electro-mechanical model generator

### Design Tools

- *MemsXVIEW* Design Manager (Q3-97)
- *MemsCheck* (Q4-98), *MemsDbx* (Q1-99)

### Manufacturing Analysis (Q3-97 +)

- In-line Monitoring Test Structures
- Manufacturing Analysis Package to enhance Behavioral Modeling

## μ ---Advanced CAD for MEMS

### Goals/Objectives:

- Develop gridding & FEM analysis for CAD MEMS infrastructure that supports rapid prototyping.
- Testing and demonstration of system and tools (gridding & FEM) based on practical examples relevant to DoD.
- Benchmarking and calibration of models, including influence of thin-film materials properties.

### Status/Accomplishments:

- Progress in SWR 0.3 and tools that support the SUPREM OO7 architecture provide major leverage
- Collaboration with several MEMS groups (TI, UCB, MIT...) provides additional end-user perspective.
- Unique fabrication and metrology already in place at Stanford

### Tasks/Approach:

- Develop gridding tools using framework standards that directly support the MEMS requirements
- Use the RF switch for MAFET as one test vehicle, along with broader applications through Stanford IC Lab
- Develop specific test structures that extract fundamental properties of materials for MEMS.

### Schedule/Milestones:

- Advanced geometry & gridding (Q1/98)
- Test structure design/evaluation (Q4/98)
- Develop/Integrate FEM tool(s) (Q1/99)
- Benchmarking joint with TI (Q1/99)
- User access/testing via NNUN (Q4/99)
- Multi-layer materials testing (Q4/99)
- System testing/evaluation (Q4/99)

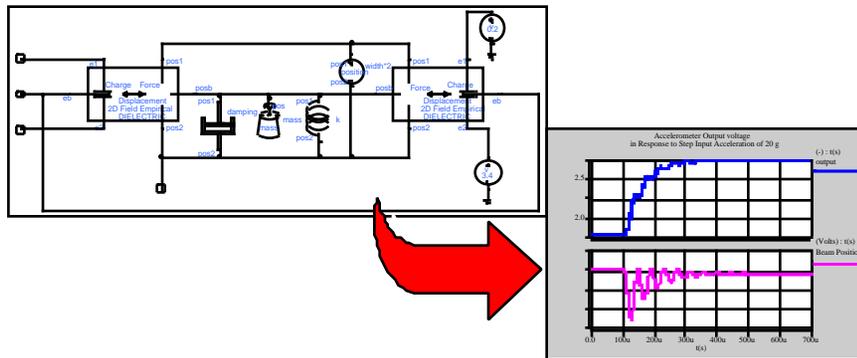


# Simulation and Analysis of Mixed-Technology Systems



## Objective:

- Develop a general ODE modeling environment to facilitate top down design and simulation of microelectromechanical systems



## Approach:

- Develop a portable, multi-abstraction level, mixed technology simulation environment for use with digital, analog, mechanical, optical, and fluidic MEMS systems
- Utilize the IEEE standard, VHDL-AMS, as the modeling language
- Develop and implement a parallel, single kernel simulation engine

## Accomplishments:

- MEMS simulation using MAST<sup>(R)</sup>
- Prototype of VHDL and MAST<sup>(R)</sup> in single kernel simulation
- Preliminary system requirements

## Milestones:

- Concept prototype (9/96)
- Architectural prototype (3/97)
- Product prototype (7/98)
- Product shipment (10/98)

## Goals/Objectives

- Develop desktop productivity tools for MEMS design entry, design verification, macromodeling and simulation.
- Expand access to MEMS design and prototyping.
- Offer tools for commercial sale, with timely upgrades and technical support at affordable prices.
- Offer cross-platform support

## Status/Accomplishments

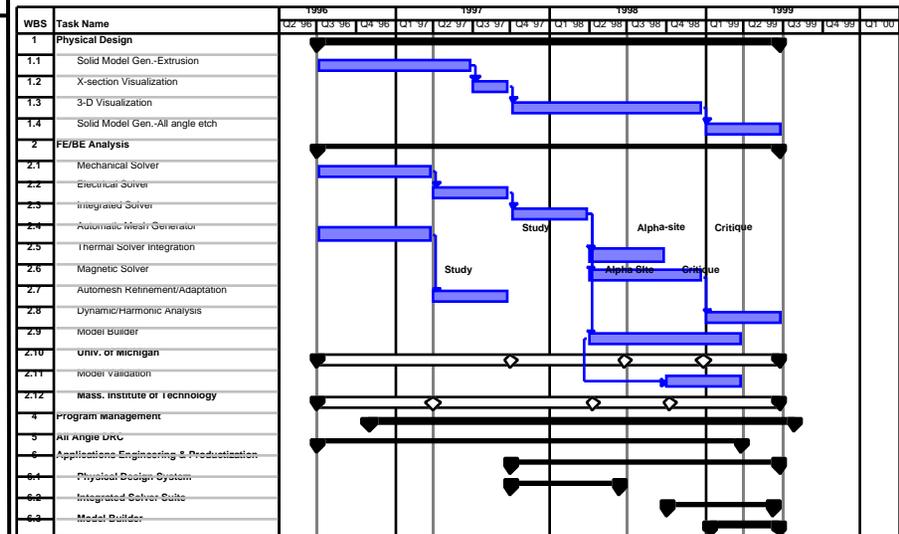
- Reviewed EDA Industry Stds. Roadmap and CFI TCAD Committee Standard
- Designing and prototyping design entry features and “properties” data structures.
- Defining all angle DRC capabilities
- Developed all angle rotation of instances, arcs/toruses, variable angle etch/undercut, polygon area calculation, parametrized layout generator

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## Tasks/Approach

- 3D Solid Modeling with cross-section and results visualization.
- Mixed energy domain Finite Element-Boundary Element analysis: mechanical, thermal, quasistatic EM.
- Efficient macromodel (behavioral model) generation

## The Program Plan



Tanner Research \* University of Michigan \* MIT



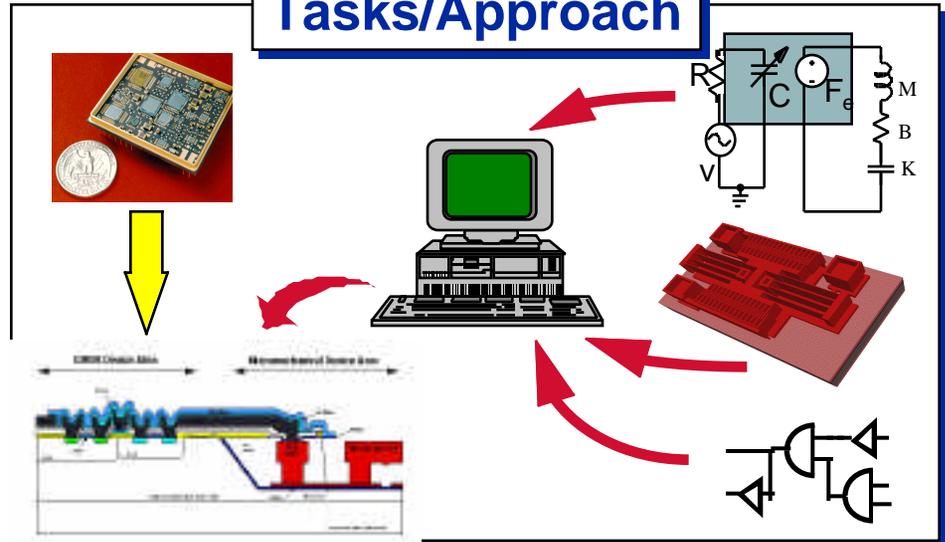
# MEMS Time Stress Measurement Device (TSMD)



## Goal/Objectives

- Design a monolithic integrated MEMS-based TSMD for monitoring electronics
- 6:1 size reduction over current hybrid TSMD technology with greatly improved power, unit cost and reliability
- Baseline Composite-CAD tools
- Demonstrate a system-on-a-chip design methodology

## Tasks/Approach



## Status/Accomplishments

- Performance level VHDL model in progress
- Baseline Composite CAD tools being installed
- Assembler for TSMD source code completed
- TSMD source code ported to VHDL (6895K SLOC)

## Schedule/Milestones

In next 6 months:

- Complete VHDL performance model
- Fabricate MCNC MEMS pathfinder
- Complete MEMS TSMD specification
- Start 3D model generation effort
- Install software and equipment