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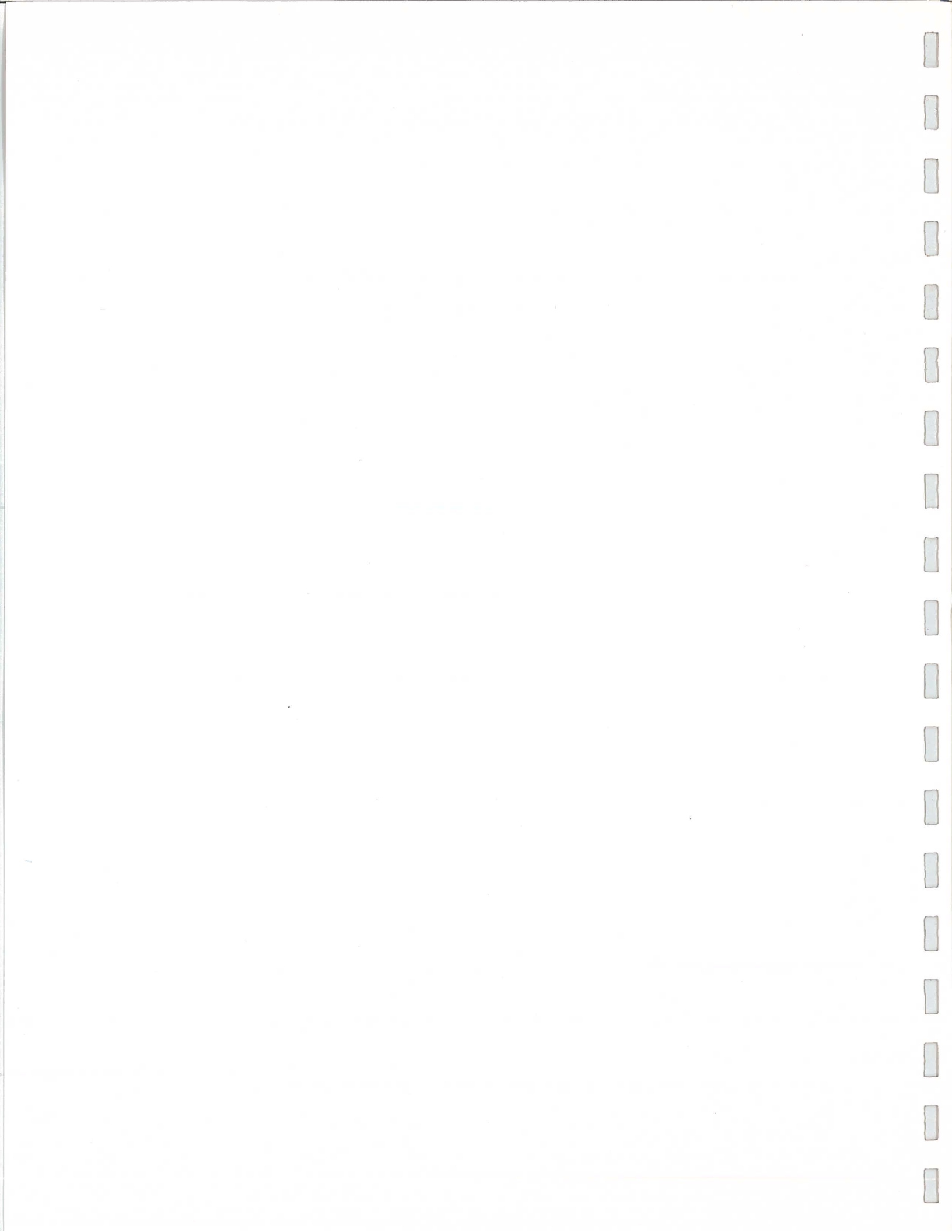
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## **WFD: Advances and New Directions in Device Modeling and Design Optimization for Microwave CAD**

*Date & Time:* Friday, June 11; 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

*Location:* Fort Worth Convention Center, Room 204B

### *Topics & Speakers:*

- Device and Component Modeling and Optimization Exploiting Space Mapping and Space-Mapping Based Surrogate Modeling, **John Bandler**, Bandler Corporation
- Taking Optimization to the Next Level – The Complete Integration of Electromagnetic /Circuit/System Design, **Zoltan J. Cendes**, Ansoft Corp.
- Advances in Compact Models and Measurement-Based Models, **Steve Chen** and **David Root**, Agilent Technologies
- Introduction and Application of Cortical Theory to RF Amplifier Modeling and Compensation, **Paul Draxler**, Qualcomm
- Measurement-Based Frequency-Domain Nonlinear Component Modeling, **Jeffery A. Jargon**, **K.C. Gupta**, and **Donald C. DeGroot**, NIST and University of Colorado
- New Directions in Addressing Complexity of High-Speed Circuits and Interconnects, **Michel Nakhla**, Carleton University
- Accurate and Efficient Analysis of Large Spiral Inductors with Thick Metal and Narrow Gaps Using Space Mapping, **James C. Rautio**, Sonnet Software
- Electromagnetics-based Design Through Inverse Space Mapping Techniques, **José E. Rayas-Sánchez**, ITESO
- Coarse EM Modeling of LTCC RF Circuits and Its Applications to Optimization Design, **Ke-Li Wu** and **Jie Wang**, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Neural Network-Based Device Modeling and Design Optimization, **Q. J. Zhang**, Carleton University

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Extraordinary advances continue in modeling, optimization and statistical design for microwave CAD. Developments in EM-based modeling capabilities, mixed linear /nonlinear, EM field/circuit simulation, space mapping and knowledge-based artificial neural network (ANN) technology are

creating new opportunities for microwave CAD with higher levels of design automation. These technologies address increased complexity of VLSI, RF and microwave circuits to fulfill the industrial demand for faster design cycle and reducing time to market for electronic products. Competition within the fast growing EDA market lead to incorporation of such technologies in future releases of commercial software.

An objective of this workshop is a tutorial review of the state of the art and a presentation of implementable methodologies and software. It will be substantially physically and electromagnetically oriented. It will highlight recent advances in ANN and space mapping for modeling and design tasks in RF and microwave CAD. Initiatives in integration of ANN capabilities into statistical design, behavioral modeling, measurement standards and computational electromagnetics are being made. Space mapping optimizations are being performed, for example, by linking full-wave EM simulations with empirical circuit-theory based simulations, or devices under test with suitable simulation surrogates. Exploitation of properly managed space-mapped (surrogate) models promises high efficiency in engineering design optimization practice, as well as in enhancing device models for yield-driven design.

We blend methodological aspects of wide applicability, design procedures currently applied in research and development centers, and well-known and widely available full-wave tools for design purposes. The workshop will bring together the foremost practitioners in these fields including microwave component designers, software developers and academic innovators. They will address designers' needs for effective tools for optimal designs, including yield optimization, exploiting accurate, physically-based device and component models, and consider the challenge of real life optimization, i.e., to produce in a short time, with limited resources, a design both competitive and innovative.





# Device and Component Modeling and Optimization Exploiting Space Mapping and Space-Mapping Based Surrogate Modeling

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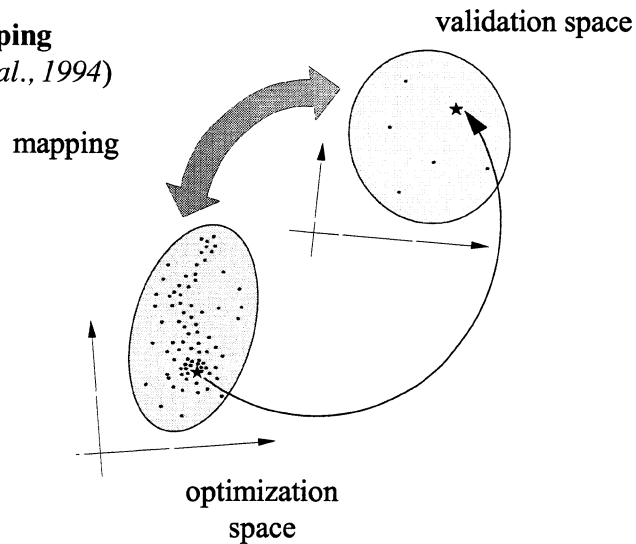
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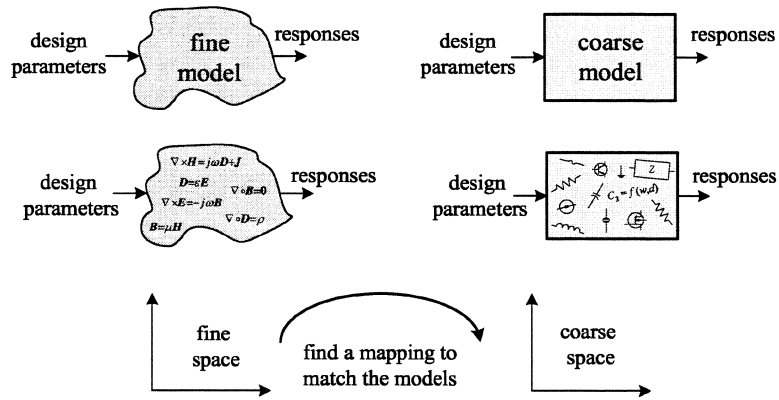
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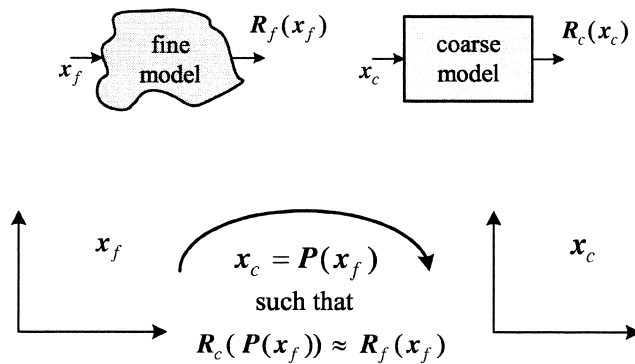
**Space Mapping**  
(Bandler *et al.*, 1994)



### Linking Companion Coarse (Empirical) and Fine (EM) Models

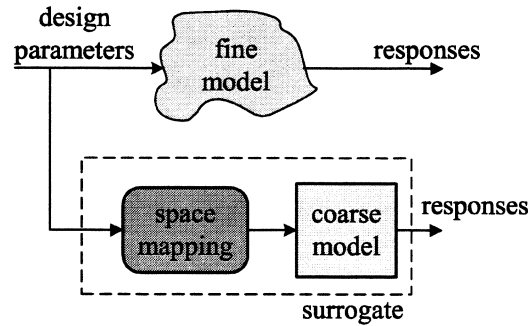


### The Space Mapping Concept (Bandler et al., 1994-)





## Explicit Space Mapping Concept (Bandler et al., 1994-)



### Space Mapping: a Glossary of Terms

Space Mapping	transformation, link, adjustment, correction, shift (in parameters or responses)
Coarse Model	simplification or convenient representation, companion to the fine model, auxiliary representation, cheap model
Fine Model	accurate representation of system considered, device under test, component to be optimized, expensive model

## Space Mapping: a Glossary of Terms

Surrogate	model, approximation or representation to be used, or to act, in place of, or as a substitute for, the system under consideration
	mapped or enhanced coarse model
Surrogate Model	alternative expression for Surrogate
Target Response	response the fine model should achieve, (usually) optimal response of a coarse model, enhanced coarse model, or surrogate

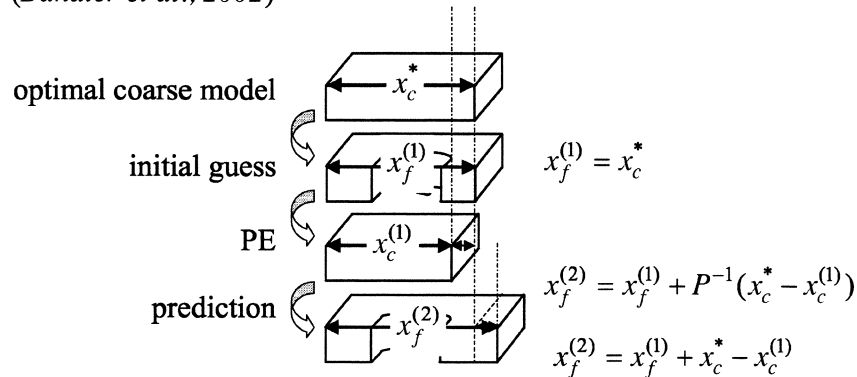
## Space Mapping: a Glossary of Terms

Companion	coarse
Low Fidelity/ Resolution	coarse
High Fidelity/ Resolution	fine
Empirical	coarse
Simplified Physics	coarse
Physics-based	coarse or fine
Device under Test	fine
Electromagnetic	fine or coarse
Simulation	fine or coarse
Computational	fine or coarse

### Space Mapping: a Glossary of Terms

Neuro	implies use of artificial neural networks
Implicit Space Mapping	space mapping when the mapping is not obvious
Not Space Mapping	(usually) space mapping when not acknowledged
Parameter Transformation	space mapping
Predistortion	?

### Aggressive Space Mapping Practice—Cheese Cutting Problem (Bandler *et al.*, 2002)





## Interpretation of Space Mapping Optimization

the original optimization problem

$$\mathbf{x}^* \triangleq \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} U(\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}))$$

consider  $\mathbf{R}_c(\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f))$  as an “enhanced” coarse model or “surrogate,”  
then

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_f = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}_f} U(\mathbf{R}_c(\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f)))$$

is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_f) \triangleq \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f) - \mathbf{x}_c^*, \quad \mathbf{f} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$$



## Aggressive Space Mapping Approach (Bandler et al., 1995)

iteratively solves the nonlinear system

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_f) = \mathbf{0}$$

the quasi-Newton step  $\mathbf{h}^{(j)}$  in the fine space is given by

$$\mathbf{B}^{(j)} \mathbf{h}^{(j)} = -\mathbf{f}^{(j)}$$

the next iterate

$$\mathbf{x}_f^{(j+1)} = \mathbf{x}_f^{(j)} + \mathbf{h}^{(j)}$$

### Aggressive Space Mapping Approach (continued)

Broyden-like updates (*Bandler et al., 1995*)

$$B^{(j+1)} = B^{(j)} + \frac{f^{(j+1)} - f^{(j)} - B^{(j)} h^{(j)}}{h^{(j)T} h^{(j)}} h^{(j)T}$$

Jacobian based updates (*Bandler et al., 1999, 2002*)

$$B = (J_c^T J_c)^{-1} J_c^T J_f \quad E = J_f - J_c B$$

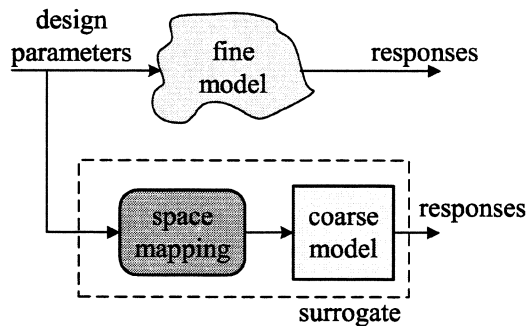
constrained update (*Bakr et al., 2000*)

$$\Delta B = B - I$$

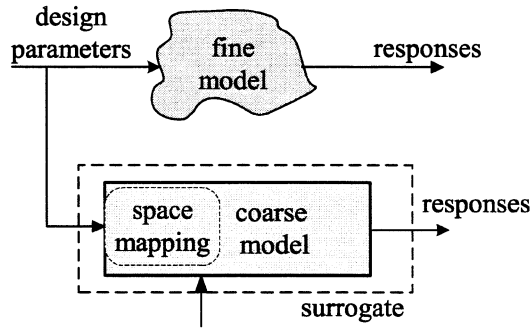
$$B = \arg \min_B \left\| \begin{bmatrix} e_1^T & \dots & e_n^T & \eta \Delta b_1^T & \dots & \eta \Delta b_n^T \end{bmatrix}^T \right\|_2^2$$

### Explicit Space Mapping Concept

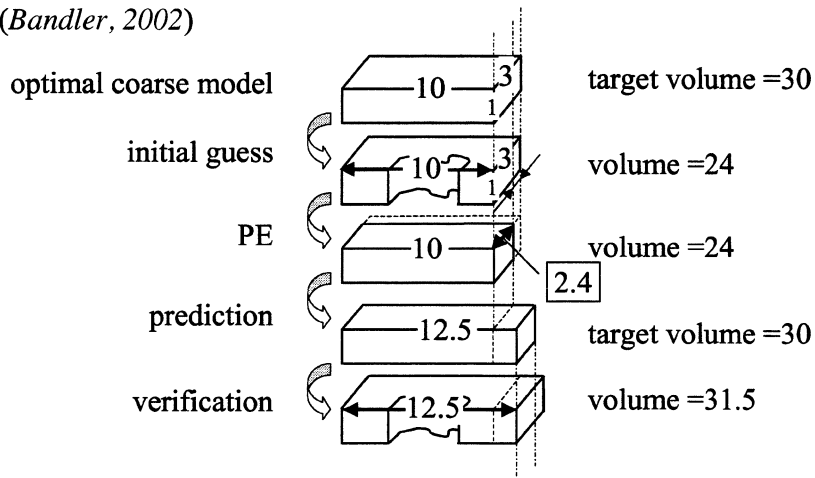
(*Bandler et al., 1994-*)



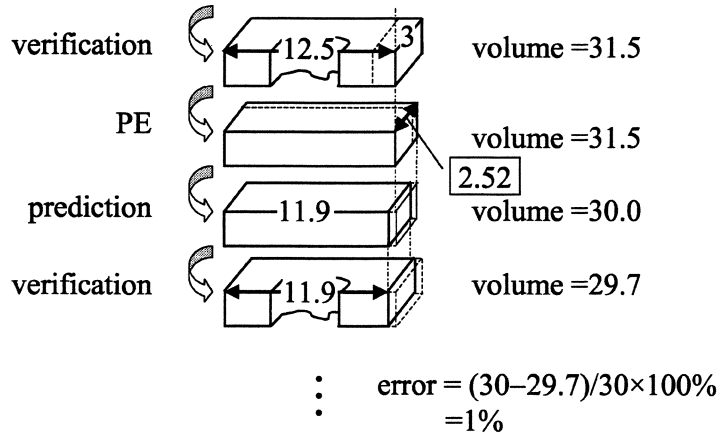
**Implicit Space Mapping Concept**  
*(Bandler et al., 2004)*



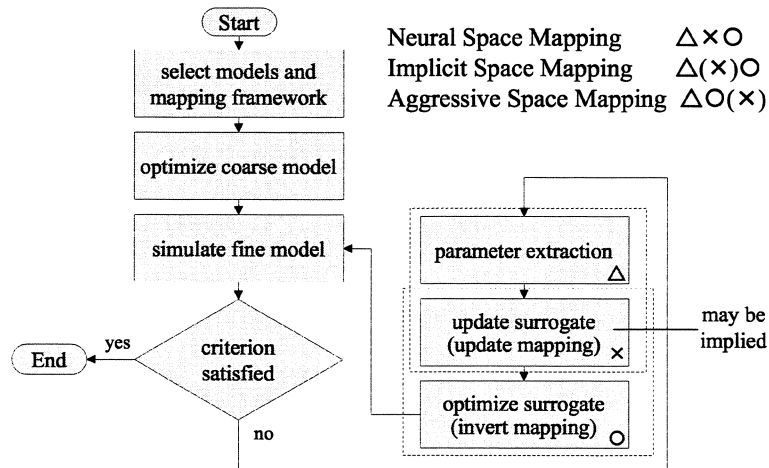
**Implicit Space Mapping Practice—Cheese Cutting Problem**  
*(Bandler, 2002)*



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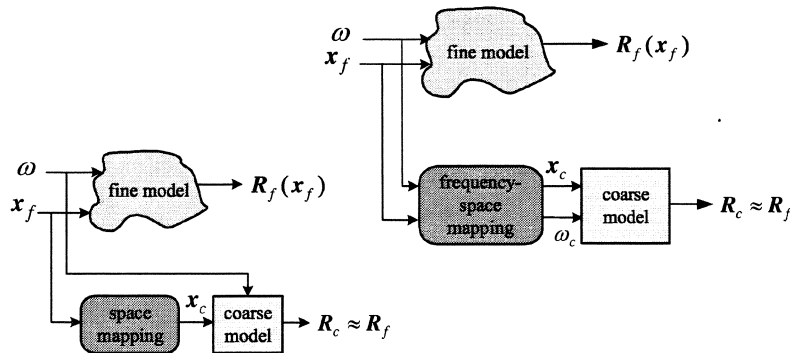
**Space Mapping Framework**  
 (Bandler et al., 2004)



## Model Enhancement—the SM Tableau Approach

(Bandler et al., 2001)

already used in the RF industry for new library models (Snel, 2001)



## Space Mapping Implementation and Applications 1

RF and microwave implementation (Bandler et al., 1994-2004)

civil engineering structural design (Leary et al., 2000)

automobile crashworthiness design (Redhe et al., 2001-2002)

generating microwave neural models (Devabhaktuni et al., 2002)

combine filter design (Swanson and Wenzel, 2001)

microwave filter design (Harscher, et al., 2002, 2003)

CAD of integrated passive elements on PCBs (Draxler, 2002)





## Space Mapping Implementation and Applications 2

CAD technique for microstrip filter design  
(*Ye and Mansour, 1997*)

SM models (model enhancement) for RF components (*Snel, 2001*)

multilayer microwave circuits (LTCC) (*Pavio et al., 2002*)

cellular power amplifier output matching circuit (*Lobeek, 2002*)

multilevel ASM strategy applied to filter optimization  
(*Safavi-Naeini et al., 2002*)

coupled resonator filter (*Pelz, 2002*)



## Space Mapping Implementation and Applications 3

LTCC RF passive circuit design (*Wu et al., 2002-2004*)

waveguide filter design (*Steyn et al., 2001*)

inductively coupled filters (*Soto et al., 2000*)

magnetic systems (*Choi et al., 2001*)

Implicit Space Mapping optimization with preassigned parameters  
(*Bandler et al., 2001-2004*)

Output Space Mapping optimization (*Bandler et al., 2003-2004*)

## Space Mapping Implementation and Applications 4

EM-based optimization of microwave oscillators  
(*Rizzoli et al., 2003*)

circuit level, neuro-SM modeling of nonlinear devices  
(*Zhang et al., 2003-2004*)

optimization of dielectric resonator filters and multiplexers  
using ASM (*Ismail et al., 2003-2004*)

waveguide filter design (*Morro et al., 2003*)

optimal control of partial differential equations  
(*Hintermueller and Vicente, 2003*)

## Space Mapping Implementation and Applications 5

modeling and simulation of photonic devices  
(*Feng and Huang, 2003*)

design of comb filters using implicit SM (*Gentili et al., 2003*)

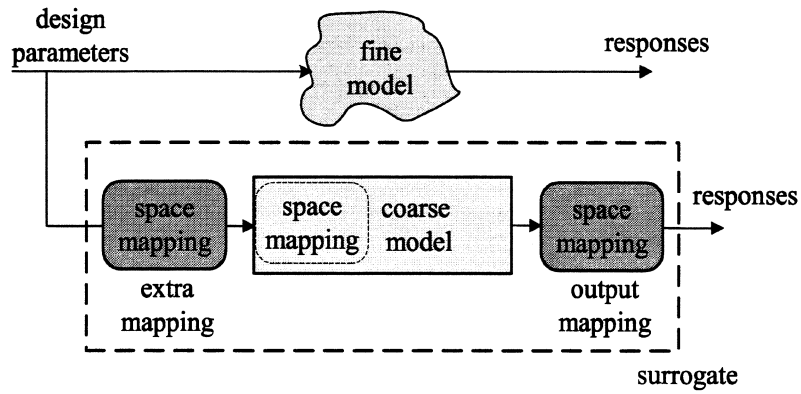
optimization of antireflection coatings in photonic devices  
(*Feng et al., 2003*)

time-domain design, CMOS drivers, using linear inverse  
and neuro inverse SM (*Rayas-Sánchez, 2004*)

Space Mapping Interpolating Surrogates (SMIS) for highly  
optimized EM-based design (*Bandler et al., 2004*)

## Implicit, Extra and Output Space Mappings

(Bandler et al., 2003)



### Output Space Mapping

Response Residual Space Mapping (RRSM) surrogate definition

$$R_s = O(R_c) \triangleq R_c(x_c, x) + \text{diag}\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m\} \Delta R$$

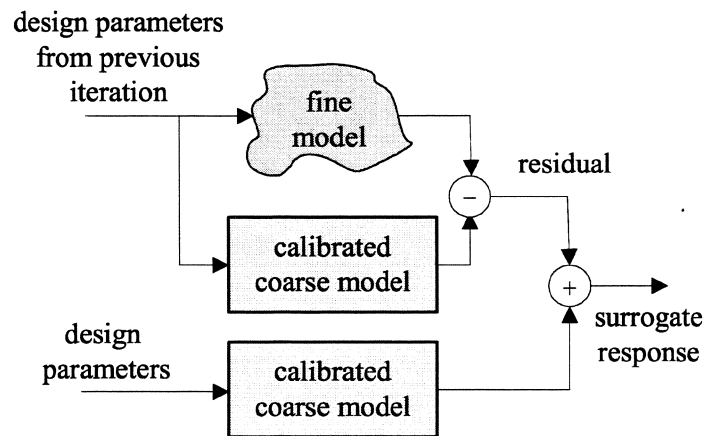
where

$$\Delta R \triangleq R_f(x_f) - R_c(x_c^{*(j)}, x)$$

from experience

$$0 \leq \lambda_i \leq 1$$

## Illustration of the RRSM Surrogate



## ADS Schematic Design Framework for Space Mapping

- Step 1* set up the coarse model in the ADS schematic
- Step 2* optimize the coarse model using ADS
- Step 3* copy and paste the parameters into the parameterized fine model (Agilent Momentum, HFSS/Empipe3D, or Sonnet's *em*) *Comment:* the Momentum fine model can be generated using the *Generate/Update Layout* command
- Step 4* simulate the fine model and save the responses in Touchstone format (Agilent Momentum, HFSS, or Sonnet's *em*) or Dataset (Momentum)



## ADS Schematic Design Framework for Space Mapping

*Step 5* if stopping criteria are satisfied, stop

*Step 6* parameter extraction

- (a) import the responses to the ADS schematic using SnP component under *Data Items*
- (b) set up ADS (calibrated) coarse model or output residual SM surrogate to match the SnP component
- (c) run ADS optimization to perform parameter extraction

*Comment* extract the coarse model design parameters to implement explicit SM (original or aggressive) or the preassigned parameters for implicit SM



## ADS Schematic Design Framework for Space Mapping

*Step 7* predict the next fine model solution by

- (a) explicit SM: transfer extracted parameters to Matlab (or other tool); predict through the original or aggressive SM algorithm, or,
- (b) implicit SM: reoptimize w.r.t. design parameters the calibrated coarse model (surrogate), and/or,
- (c) RRSM: reoptimize surrogate w.r.t. design parameters (calibrated coarse model plus response residual)

*Step 8* update the fine model design and go to Step 4

## ADS Schematic Design Framework for Space Mapping

the ADS schematic framework works in an interactive way

three ADS schematic designs:

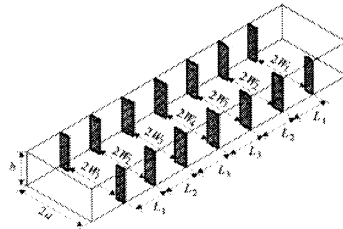
- (a) coarse model optimization design
- (b) parameter extraction design
- (c) surrogate (re)optimization design

only parameter values are updated in each iteration

currently, the fine model is Agilent Momentum, HFSS, or Sonnet's *em*

## H-plane Filter Design

(Young *et al.*, 1963, Bakr *et al.*, 1999, Bandler *et al.*, 2004)

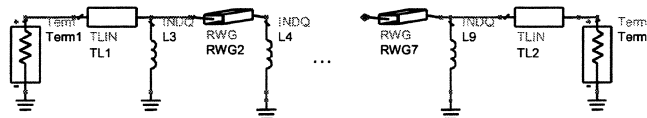


design specifications

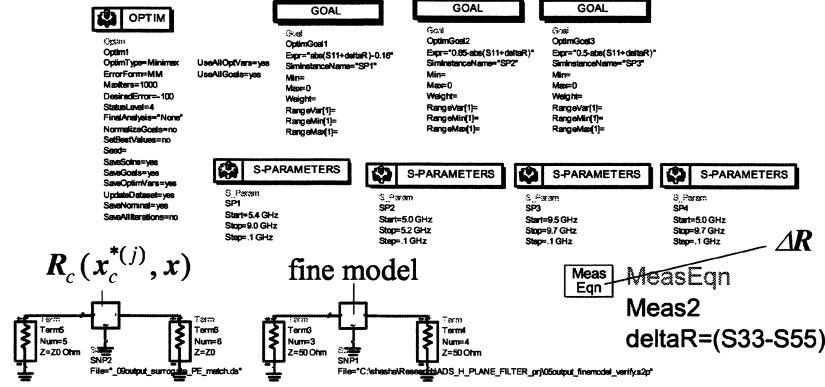
$$|S_{11}| \leq 0.16, 5.4 \leq \omega \leq 9.0\text{GHz}$$

$$|S_{11}| \geq 0.85, \omega \leq 5.2\text{GHz}$$

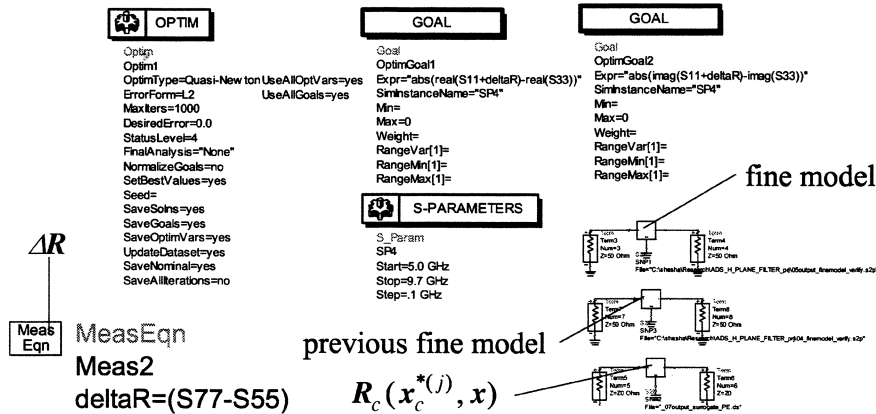
$$|S_{11}| \geq 0.5, \omega \geq 9.5\text{GHz}$$



## H-plane Filter: ADS Setup For RRSM Surrogate Optimization



## H-plane Filter: ADS Setup For RRSM Parameter Extraction



## H-plane Filter: Optimization Steps

two iterations of implicit SM drive the design close to optimal

then one implicit SM plus RRSM iteration using weighting parameters  $\lambda_i = 0.5, i = 1 \dots m$

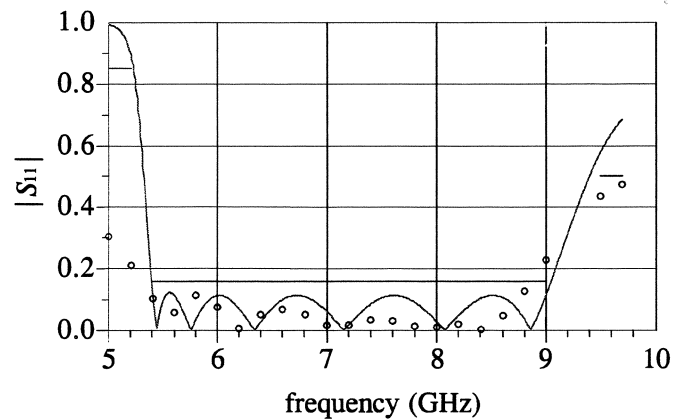
then, with the full residual added, a second implicit SM plus RRSM iteration

*Comment*  $\lambda_i \leq 1$  because ADS has difficulty reoptimizing the surrogate with the full residual added

## H-plane Filter Optimization

optimal coarse model response (—)

fine model response at initial solution (○)

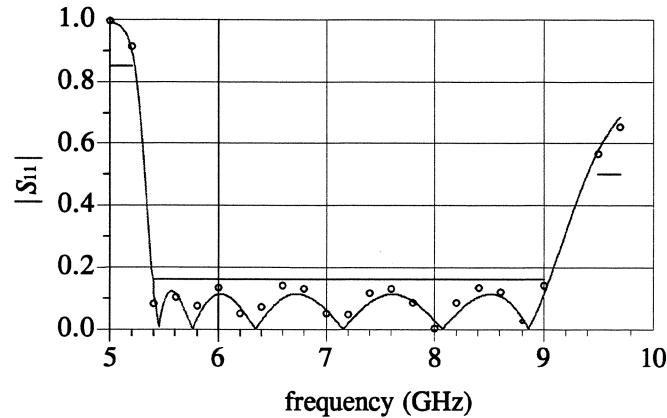




## H-plane Filter Optimization

optimal coarse model response (—)

fine model response (○) reached via RRSM after 4 iterations



## Conclusions

glossary of terms for Space Mapping



Space Mapping optimization: original (1993)

Aggressive Space Mapping optimization: Broyden-based (1995-),  
Implicit Space Mapping (2001-), Output Space Mapping (2003-)

Response Residual Space Mapping (RRSM) modeling technique

RRSM implemented entirely in the ADS framework

interesting Space Mapping implementations and applications



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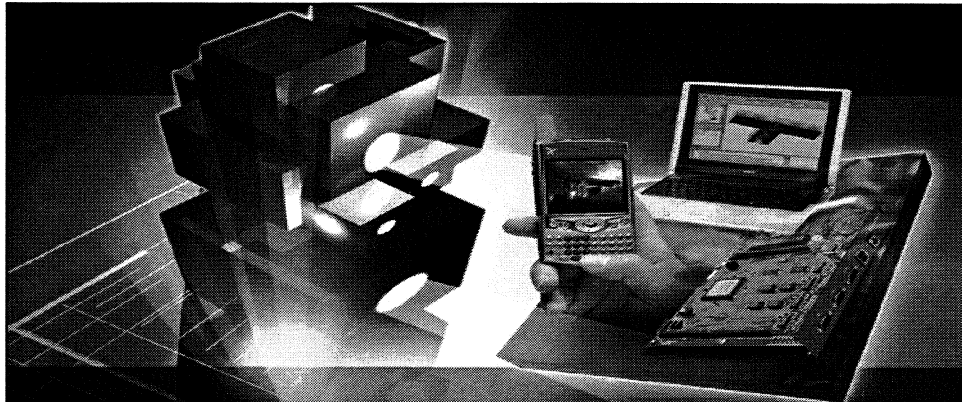


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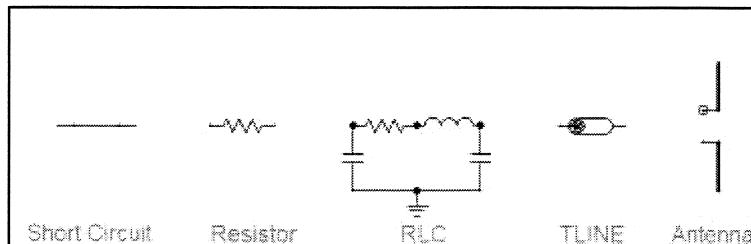
## Taking Optimization to the Next Level The Complete Integration of Electromagnetic/Circuit/System Design

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### Why Integrate EM/C/S Simulators?

- ▶ Speed = Problems
  - ▶ Evolution of a short circuit
    - ▶ Once interconnects stop behaving as transmission lines, circuit tools cannot predict performance

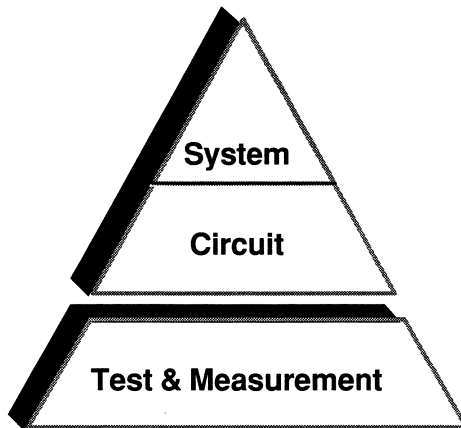


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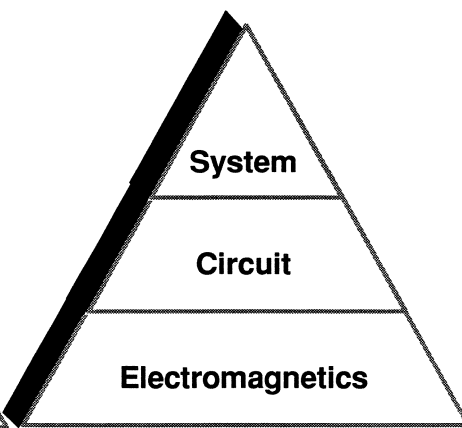
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Full Software Solution



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## New Methodology for Spiral Inductor Design

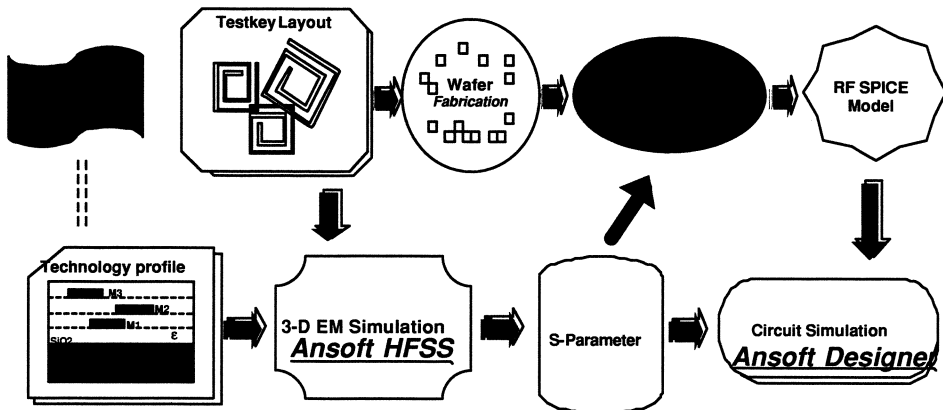
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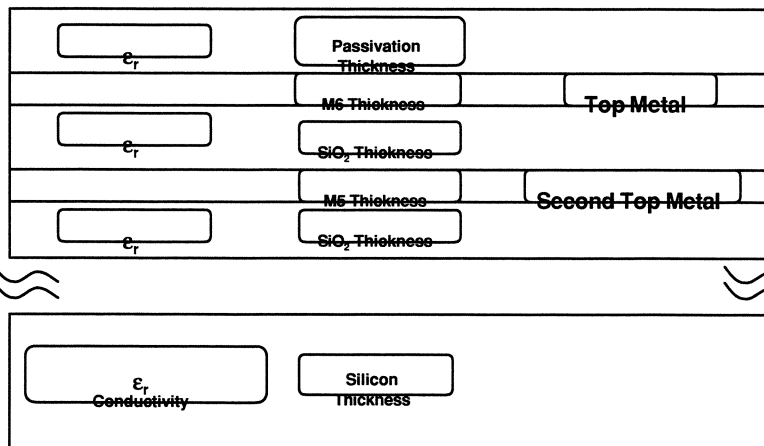
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## Work Flow



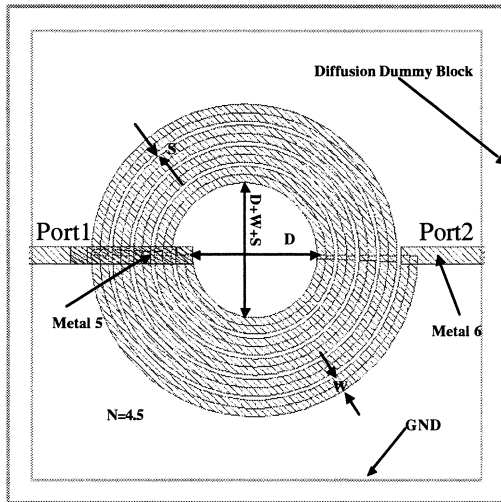
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# Ideal Circular Inductor



## Geometrical Parameters

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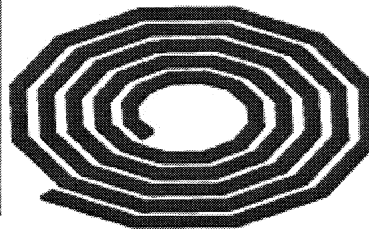
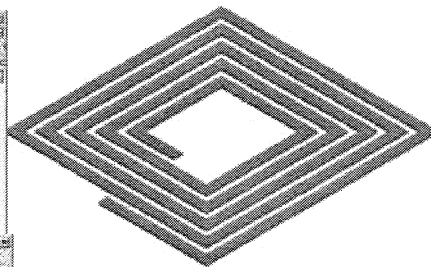
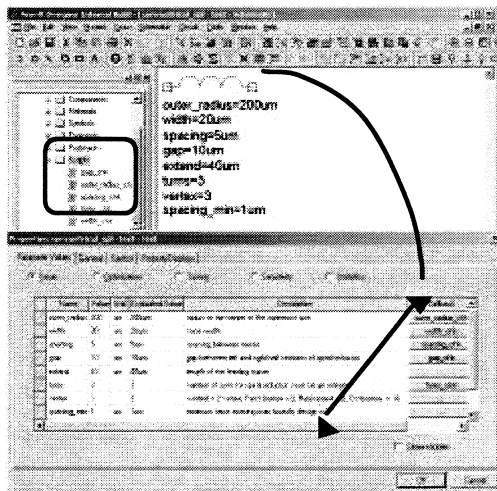
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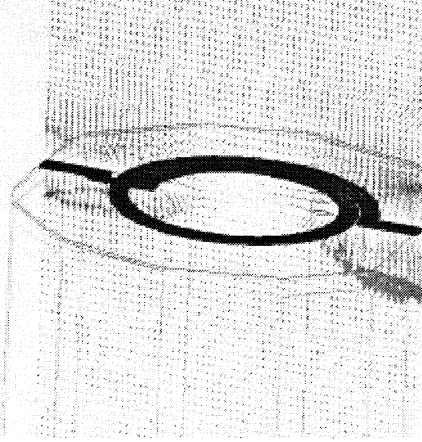
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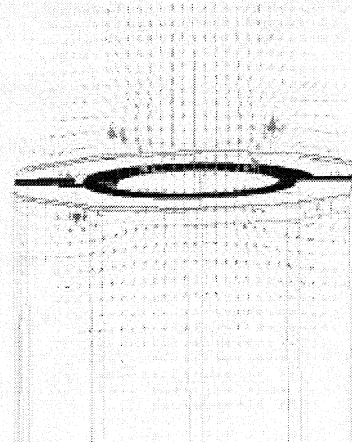
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## Electric and Magnetic Fields



Electric field @ 5.8GHz

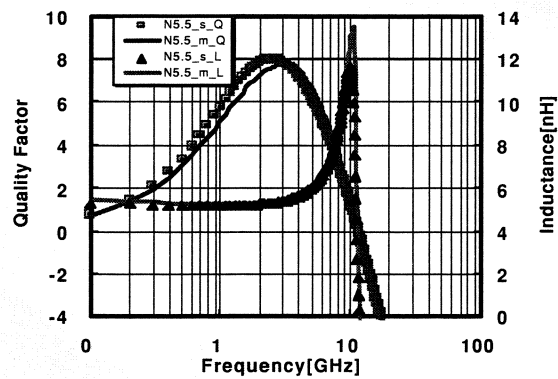


Magnetic field @ 5.8GHz

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## Quality Factor and Inductance

0.18-micro 1P6M Inductor N=5.5 comparison

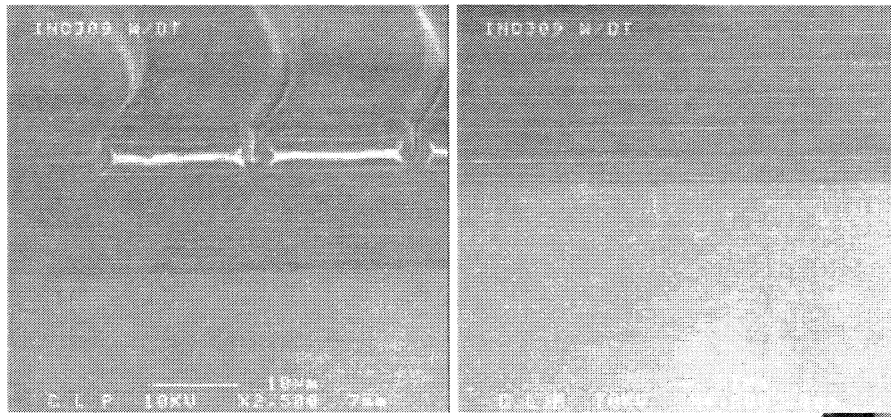


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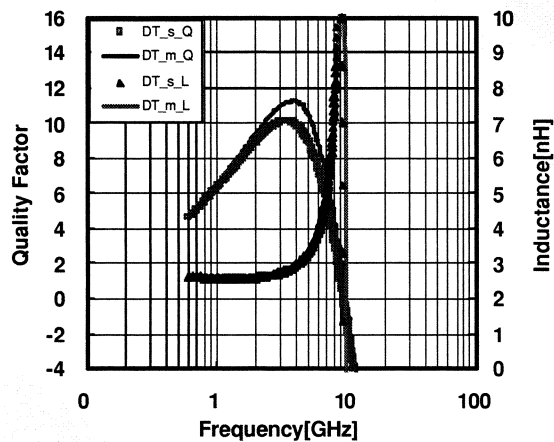
- Use Deep-trench to reduce substrate loss
- Deep-trench Side Cross Section



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# Deep-Trench Pattern

0.18-micro 1P6M Inductor with Deep-trench comparison

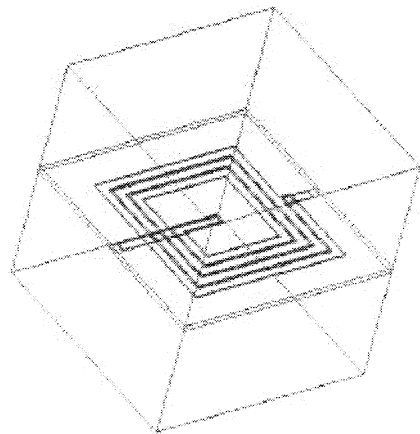


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# Integer Optimization

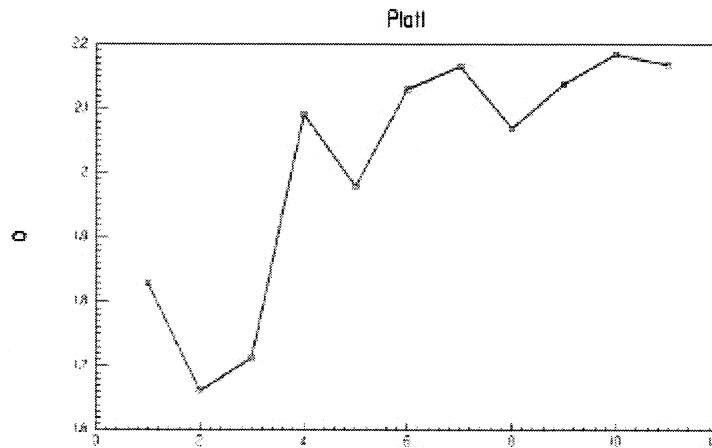
**Goal: Maximize Q**

**Vary: Number of Quarter Turns and inner core "radius"**



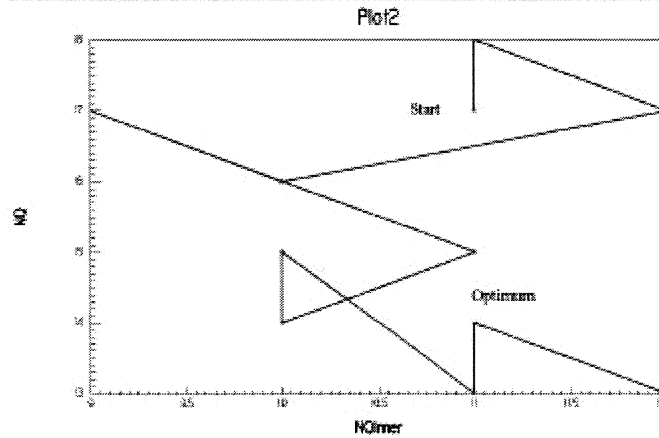
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## Q versus Optimization Iteration



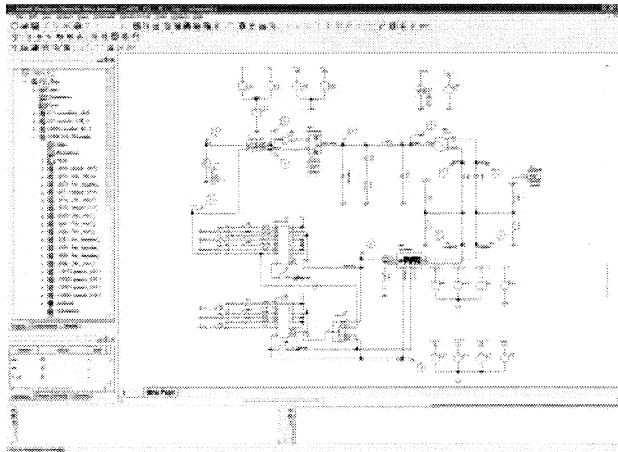
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# Integer Optimization



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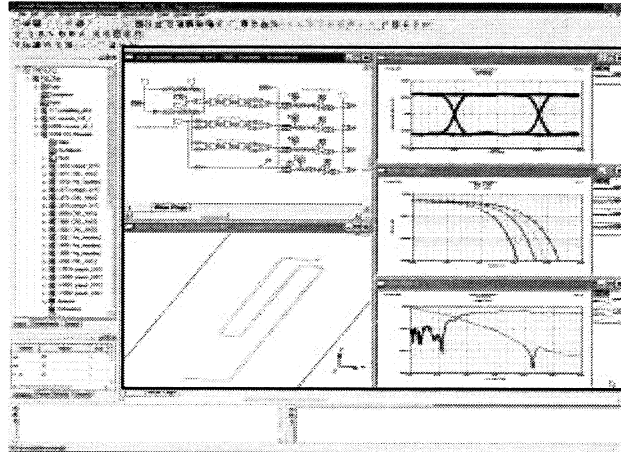
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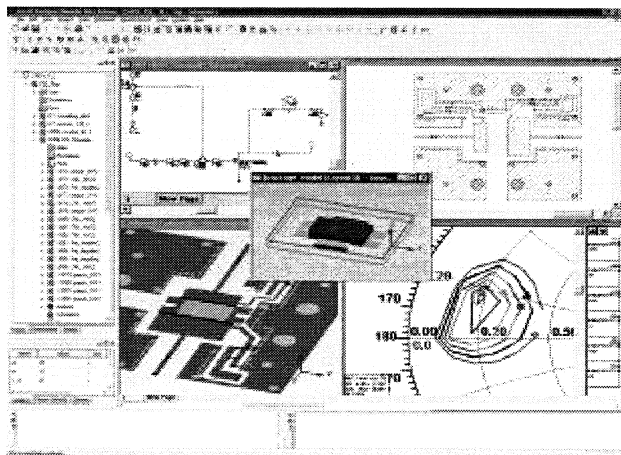


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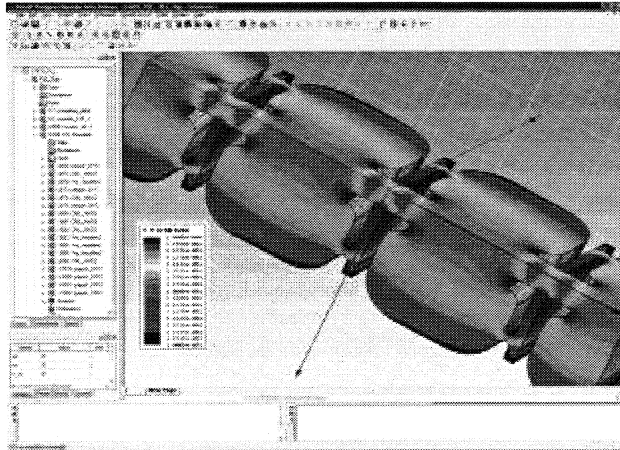
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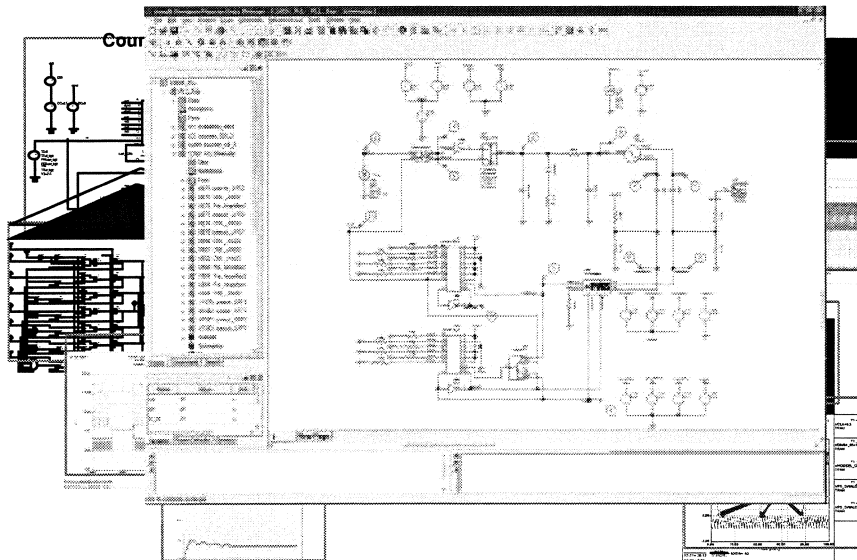
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**3D EM**

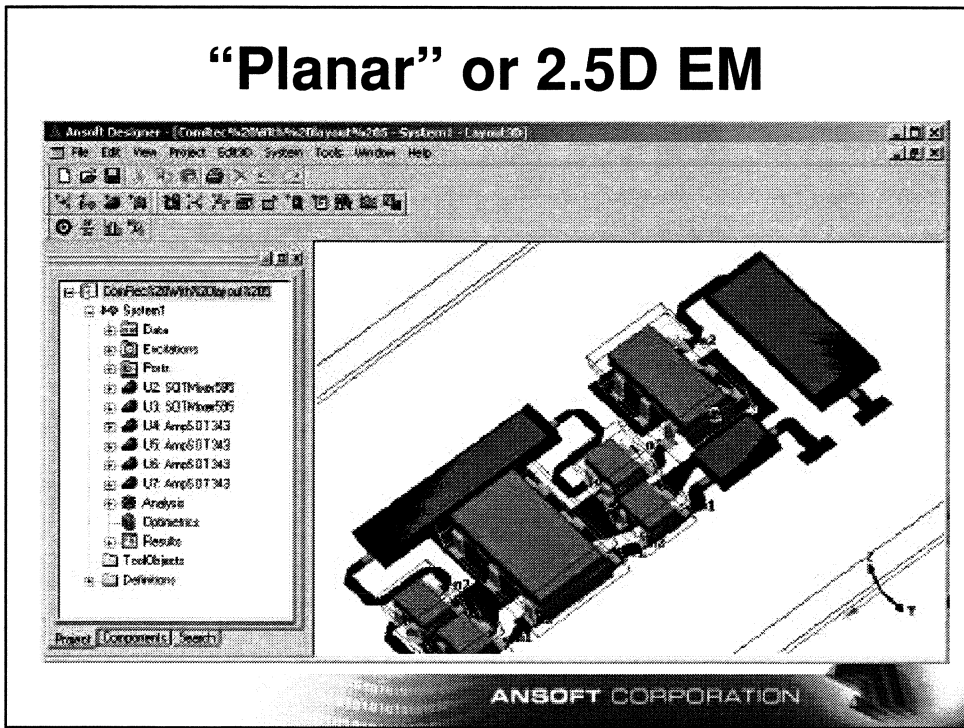
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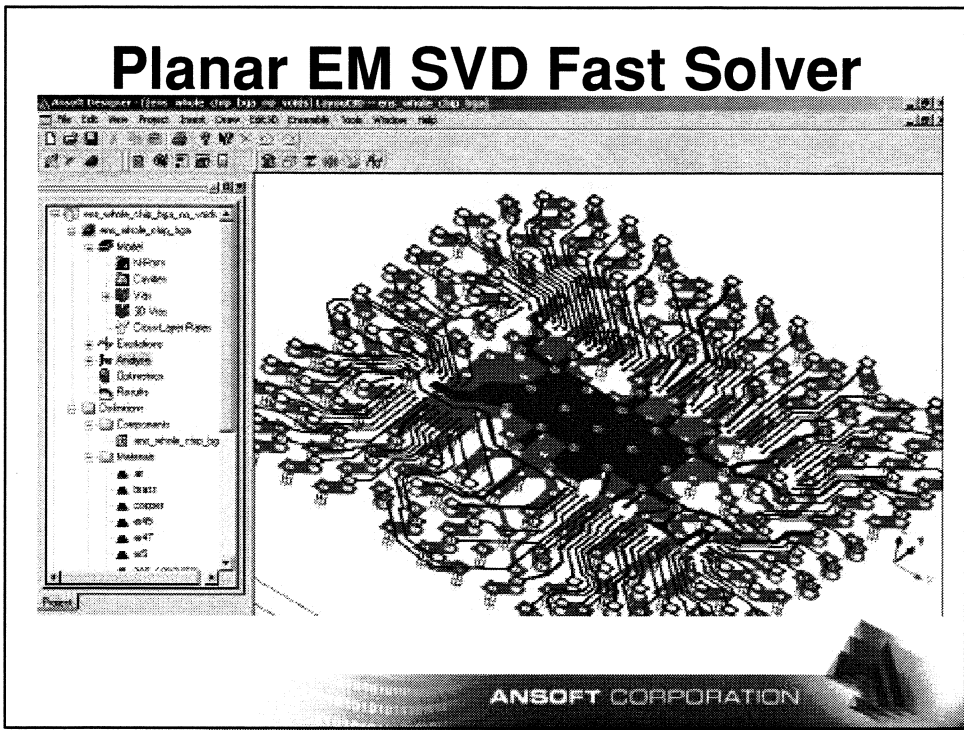
### 1.8 GHz CMOS PLL



# “Planar” or 2.5D EM

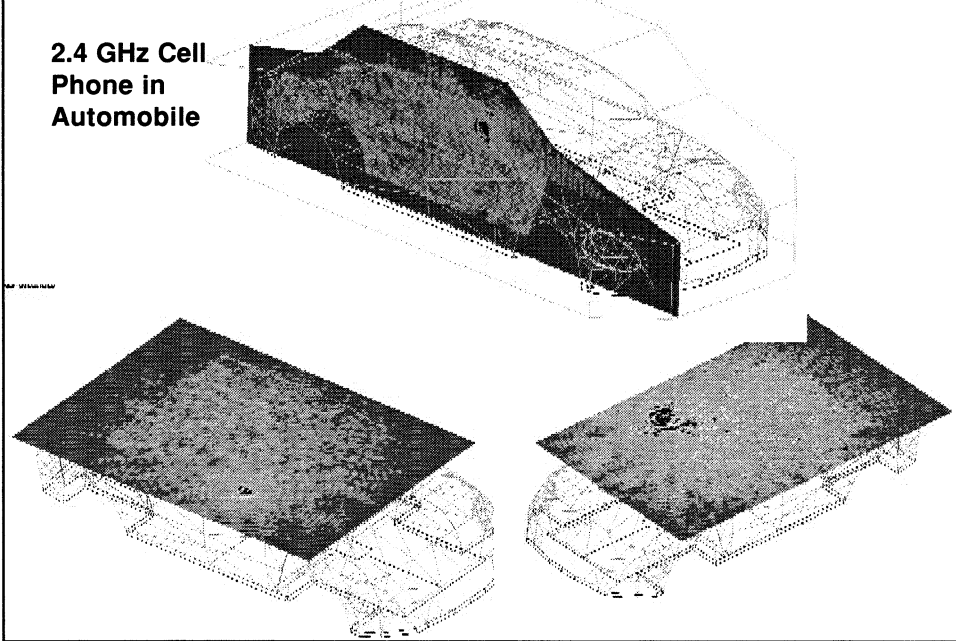


# Planar EM SVD Fast Solver



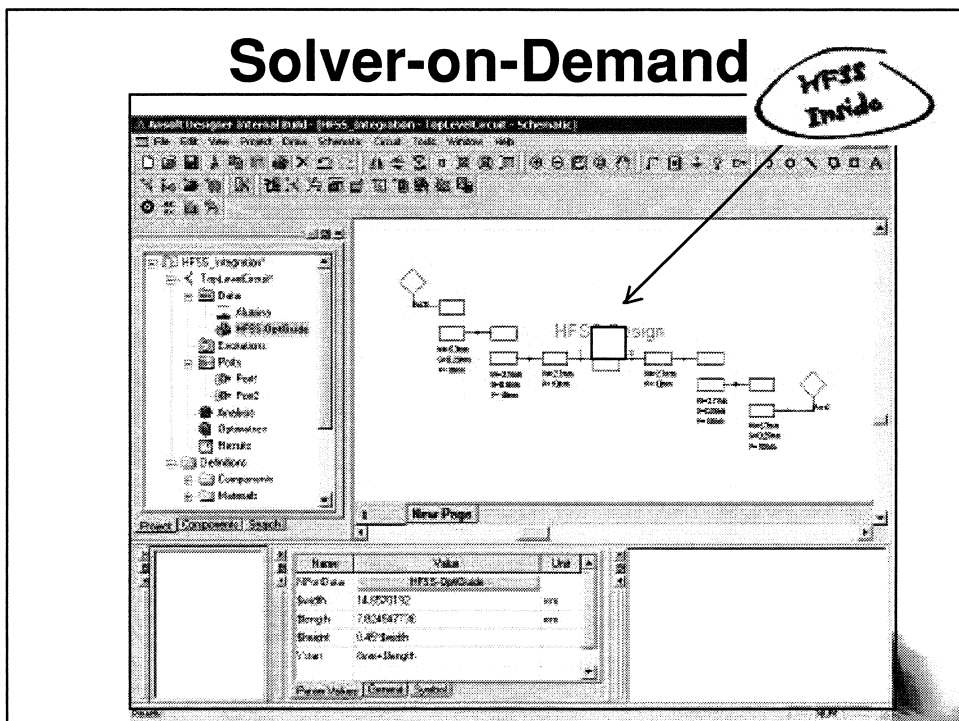
# 3D EM FEM Fast Solver

2.4 GHz Cell  
Phone in  
Automobile



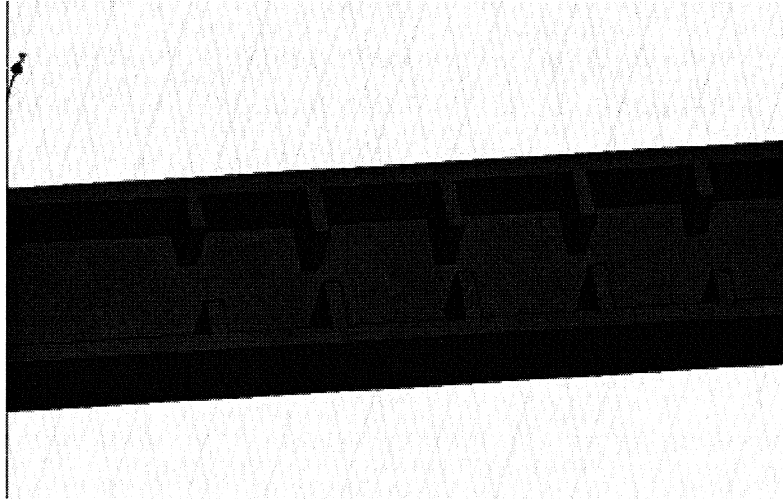
# Solver-on-Demand

HFSS  
Inside





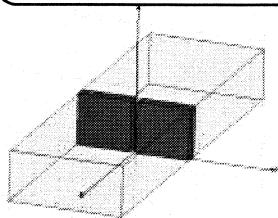
# 4-Pole WG Iris Filter



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## Design Flow

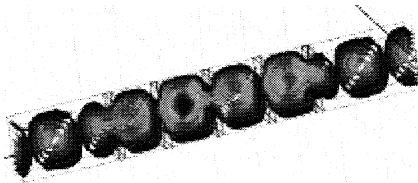
1. Solve a parameterized model in HFSS for the iris



2. Use parameterized full-wave solution to build a circuit model



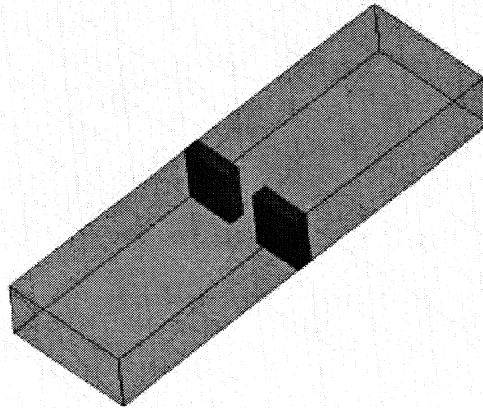
3. Verify the design using 3-D full-wave analysis



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## Single Iris Field Solution

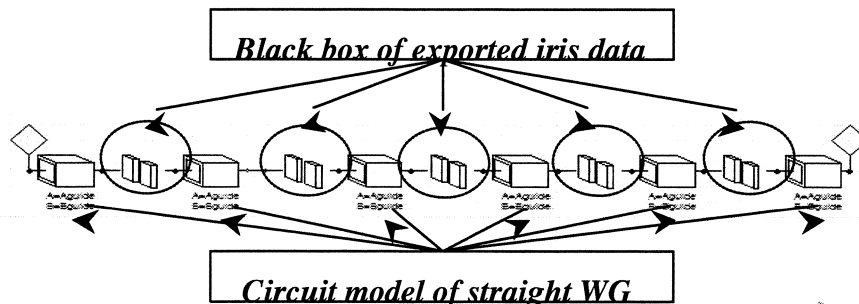
- Solve frequency sweep for several window widths
- De-embed to iris and use *DYNAMIC LINK* between HFSS and Ansoft Designer



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## Circuit Model of Complete Filter

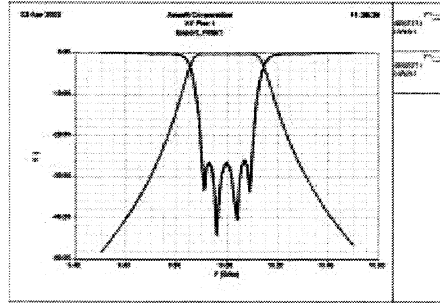
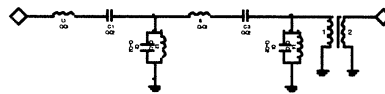
- 11 Variables:
  - Window of each iris; lengths of straight WG sections
- Optimize filter response



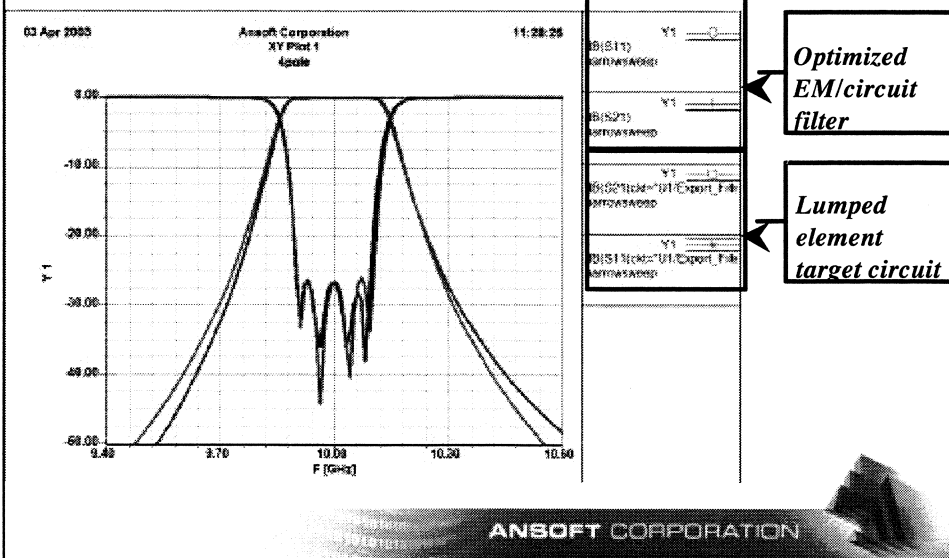
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# Circuit Model of Desired Filter

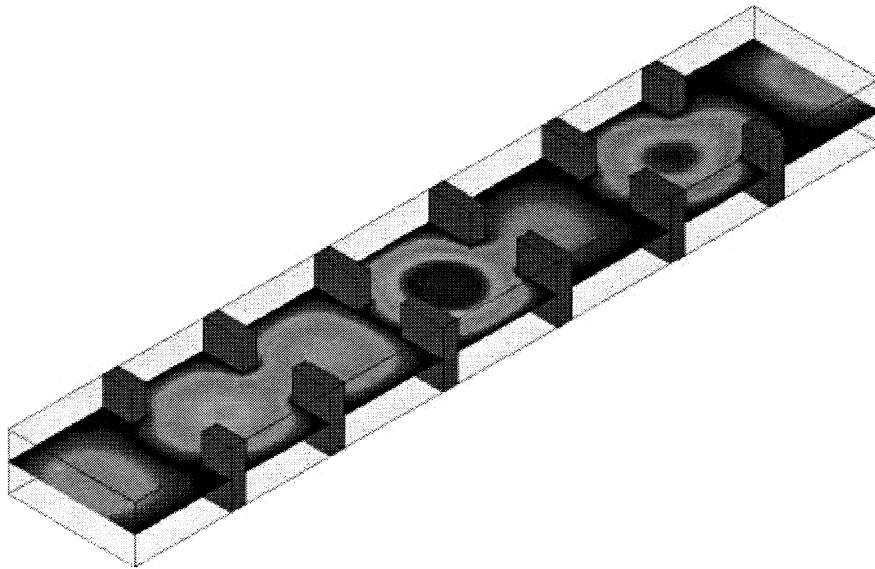
4-pole lumped element filter with desired center frequency and BW



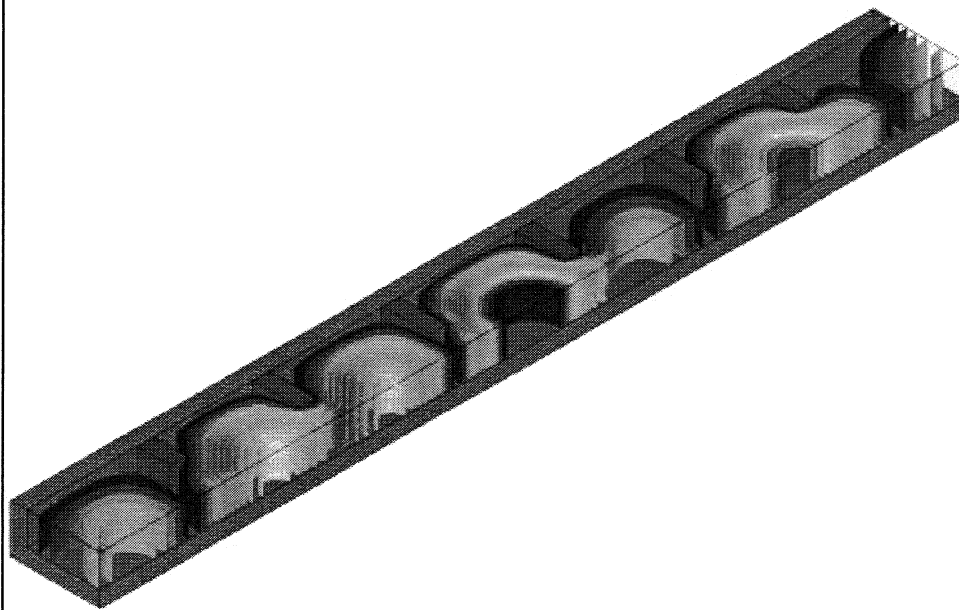
# Optimized EM-Circuit Response



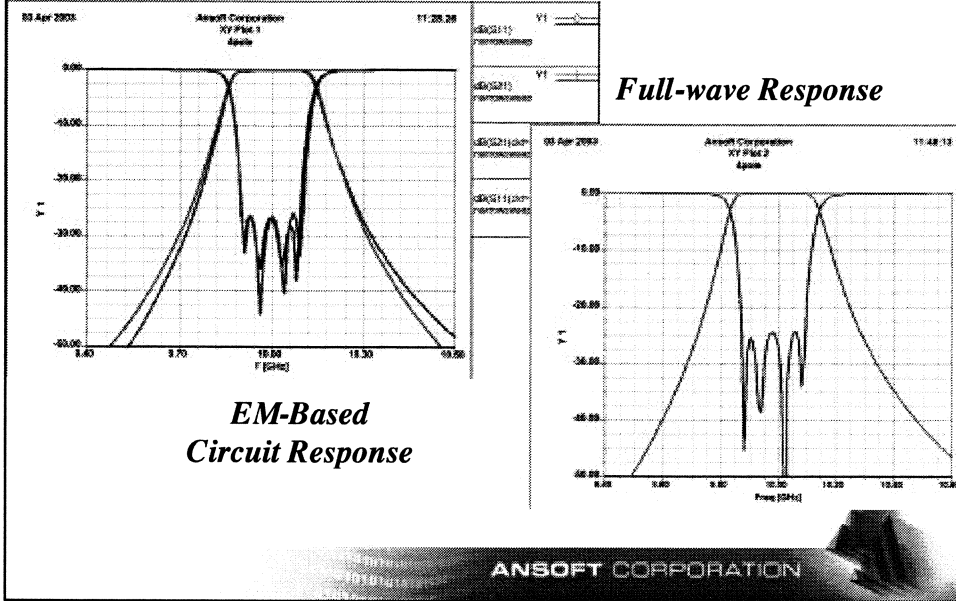
## Optimized Full-wave Response



## Optimized Full-wave Response



# Comparison



## 13-Pole Chebyshev Filter

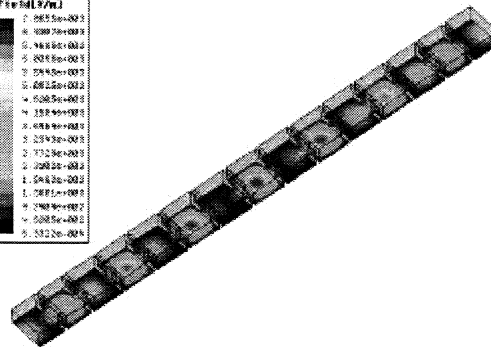
Increase the number of filter sections:

**27 unknowns**

iris widths (14), resonator lengths (13)

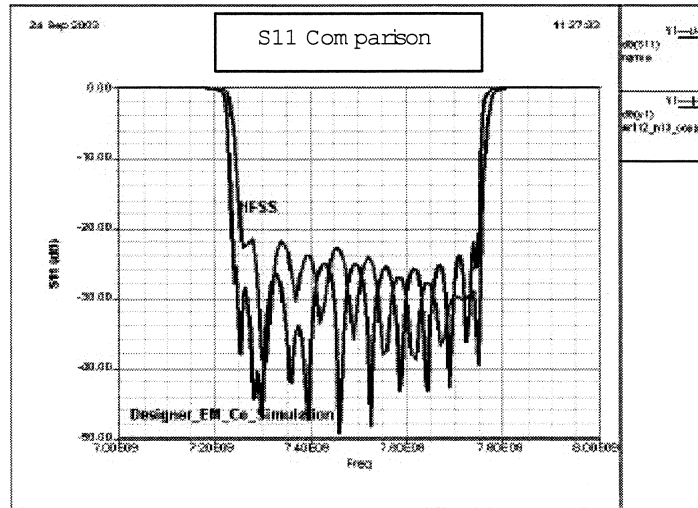
Requirements;

- Center Frequency: 7.5GHz
- Bandwidth: 500 MHz (15%)
- Stopband Rejection: < 70 dB at 7.9 GHz < 70 dB at 7.0 GHz
- Insertion Loss : < 0.65 dB
- Order : 13
- Waveguide : WR112



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## Comparison: Full EM vrs. Cosimulation

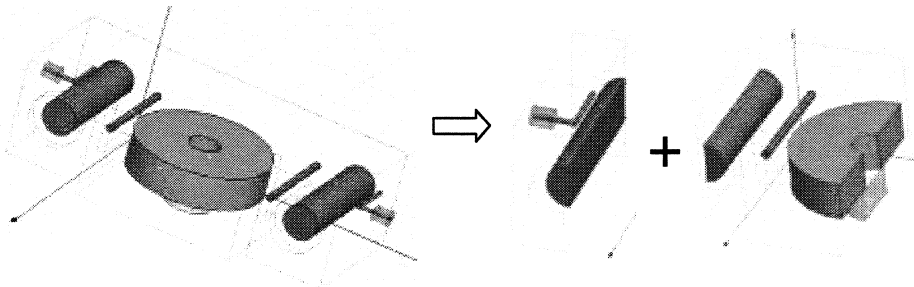


Modeland results courtesy of  
**RS Microwave**

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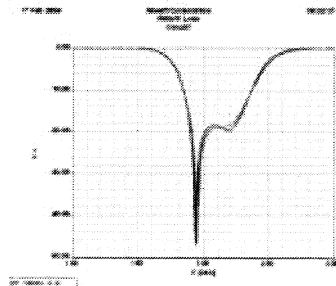
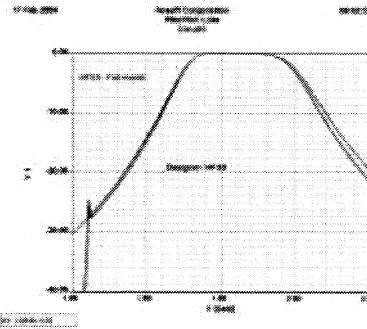
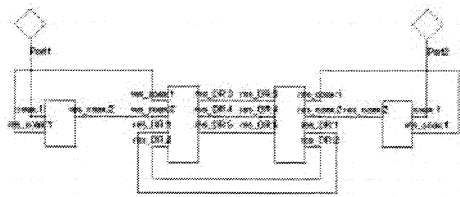
## 3-pole Dielectric Resonator Filter

- Break model on geometric planes of symmetry
  - Higher order modes will definitely be generated at ports
  - Have HFSS solve for these higher order modes, and connect them together in circuit simulator



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## 3-pole Dielectric Resonator Filter

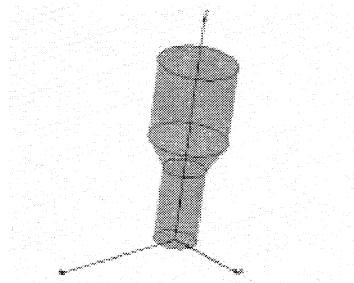
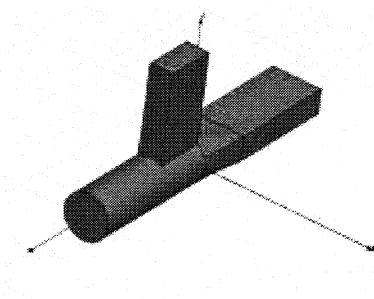


- ▶ Use Designer simulation to determine which modes are significant
- ▶ Easily expand this 3-pole design to N-poles in the circuit domain

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## Antenna / OMT System

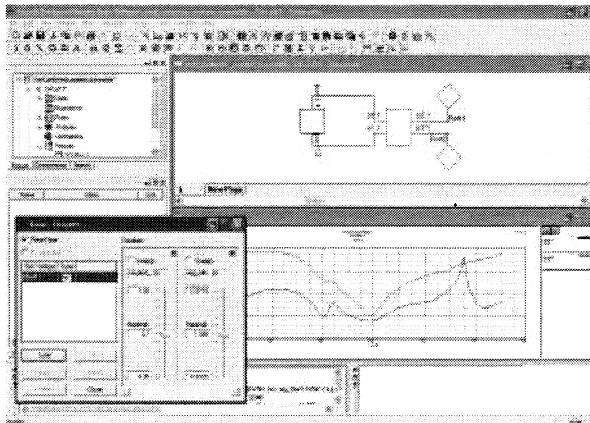
- ▶ Parameterize the design; send model to system group for higher level tradeoffs
- ▶ Start with known Conical Feed horn
- ▶ Design OMT junction
- ▶ Sweep design parameters
- ▶ Insert into Designer



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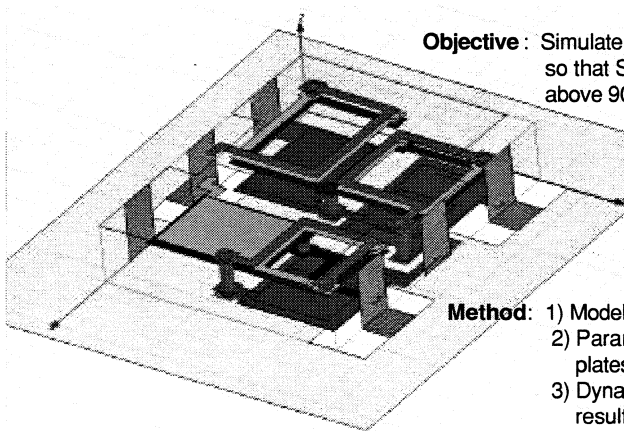
## System Level Tradeoffs

- ▶ Insert N-port blocks for Antenna & OMT
- ▶ Wire together the two modes from the Antenna to the circular port on the OMT
- ▶ Add Microwave ports to the RWG ports of the OMT
- ▶ Analyze & Tune interpolated solutions
- ▶ Fix optimum values for parameters and "Simulate Missing Solutions"



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## LTCC Diplexer



**Objective:** Simulate and tune LTCC Diplexer so that  $S_{11} \leq -10$  dB above 900 MHz

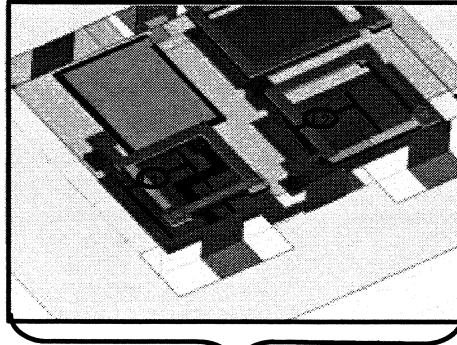
**Method:** 1) Model LTCC in HFSS  
 2) Parametrically sweep capacitive plates in model  
 3) Dynamically link HFSS results into Designer  
 4) Tune structure in Designer

**Benefits:** Diplexer was tuned in real time.  
 Engineer has visual indication of filter performance while optimizing it.

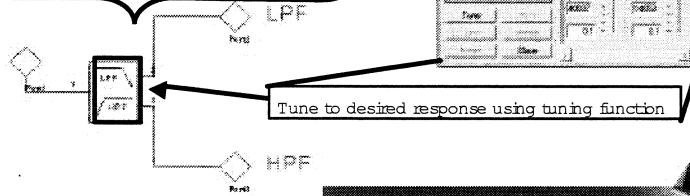
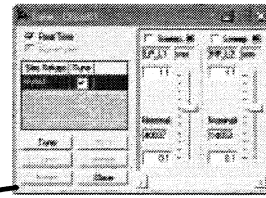
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# HFSS and Designer Models

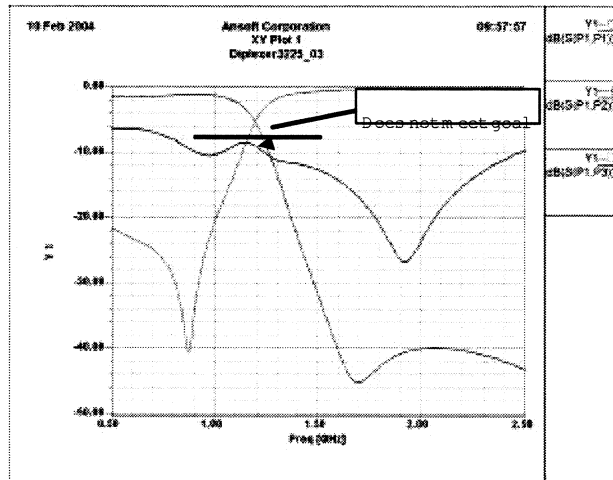


- Parametric Sweep in HFSS varies the capacitive plate width (outlined in Red)
- Results from HFSS are Dynamically linked to Ansoft Designer
- Tuning is performed using Designer Tuning Function



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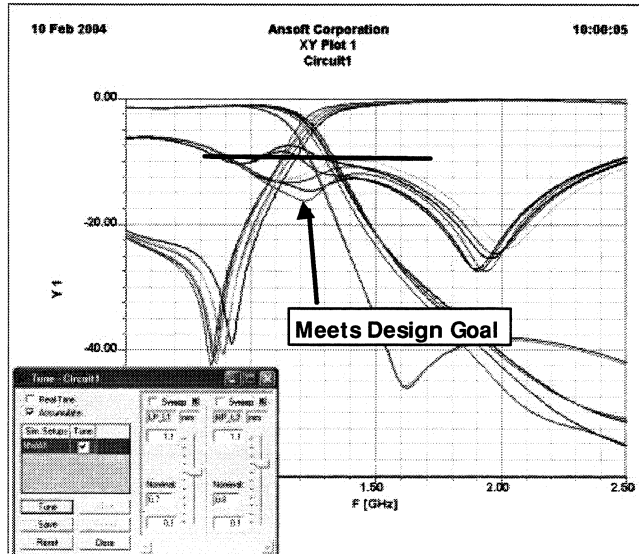
# Initial HFSS Results



Recall Goal  
 is  $S_{11} \leq -10\text{dB}$   
 Above 900 MHz

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# Tuned HFSS Results

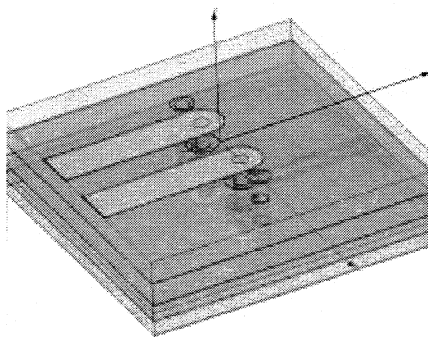


Multiple tuned responses are shown.

Indicated trace well exceeds performance specification

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# Via/Transmission Line/System



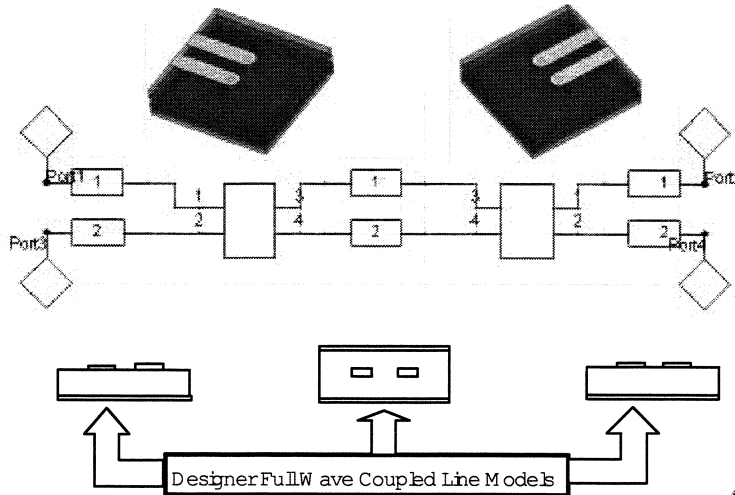
**Objective:** Simulate a transmission path of a differential pair and produce an Eye Diagram for the path.

- Method:**
- 1) Model Differential via in HFSS
  - 2) Dynamically link HFSS results into Designer Circuit tool
  - 3) Model long microstrip and stripline sections in Designer Circuit tool
  - 4) Analyze the HFSS/Circuit at the system level
  - 5) Produce desired Eye Diagram

**Benefit:** Modeling discontinuity in HFSS only reduces solution time. Combining circuit and HFSS models in Designer allows rapid design changes. System level performance is quickly determined by using system tool

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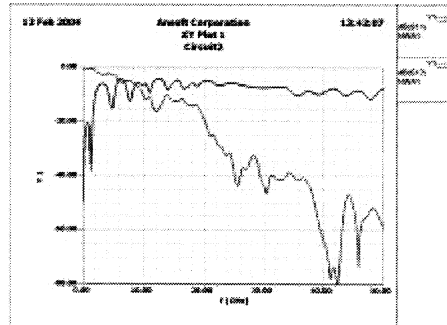
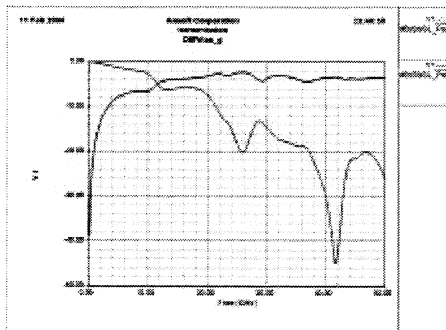
# Via/TL Cosimulation Model



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# EM Via and Full-Path EM/Circuit

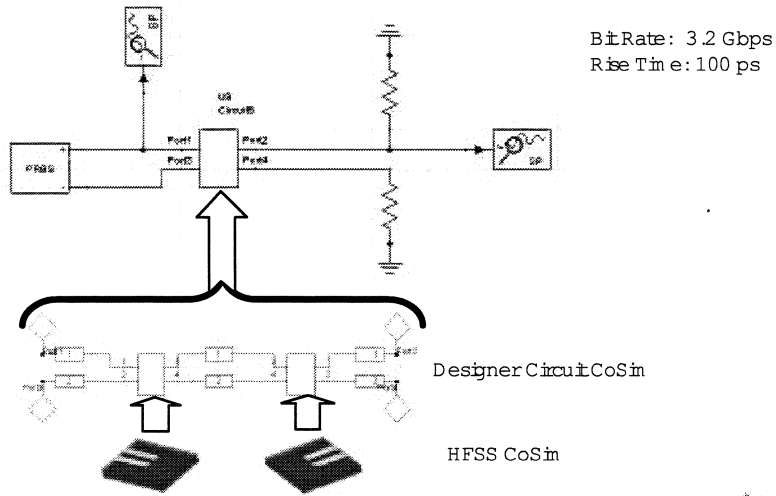
HFSS results for differential via only



HFSS and MCPL results for differential vias and signal path

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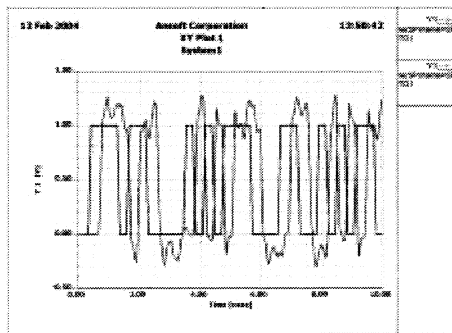
# System Simulation



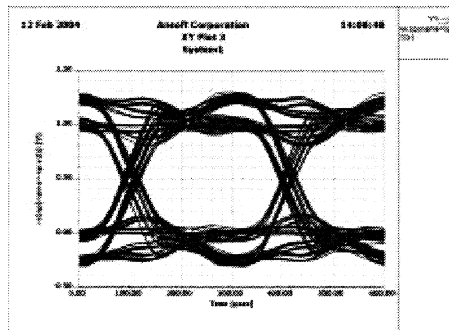
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# Full System Results

## 3.2 Gbps Results



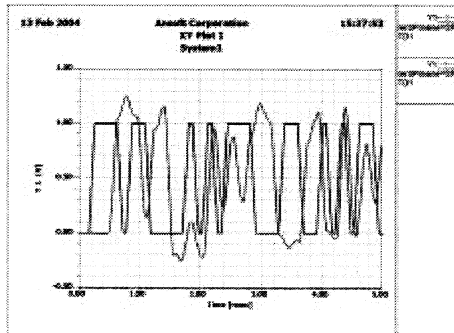
## Eye pattern at output



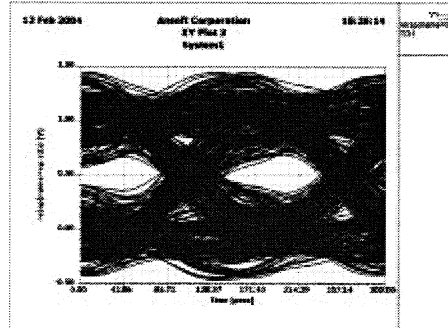
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# Full System Results

## 6.4 Gbps Results











Eye pattern at output



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# Conclusions

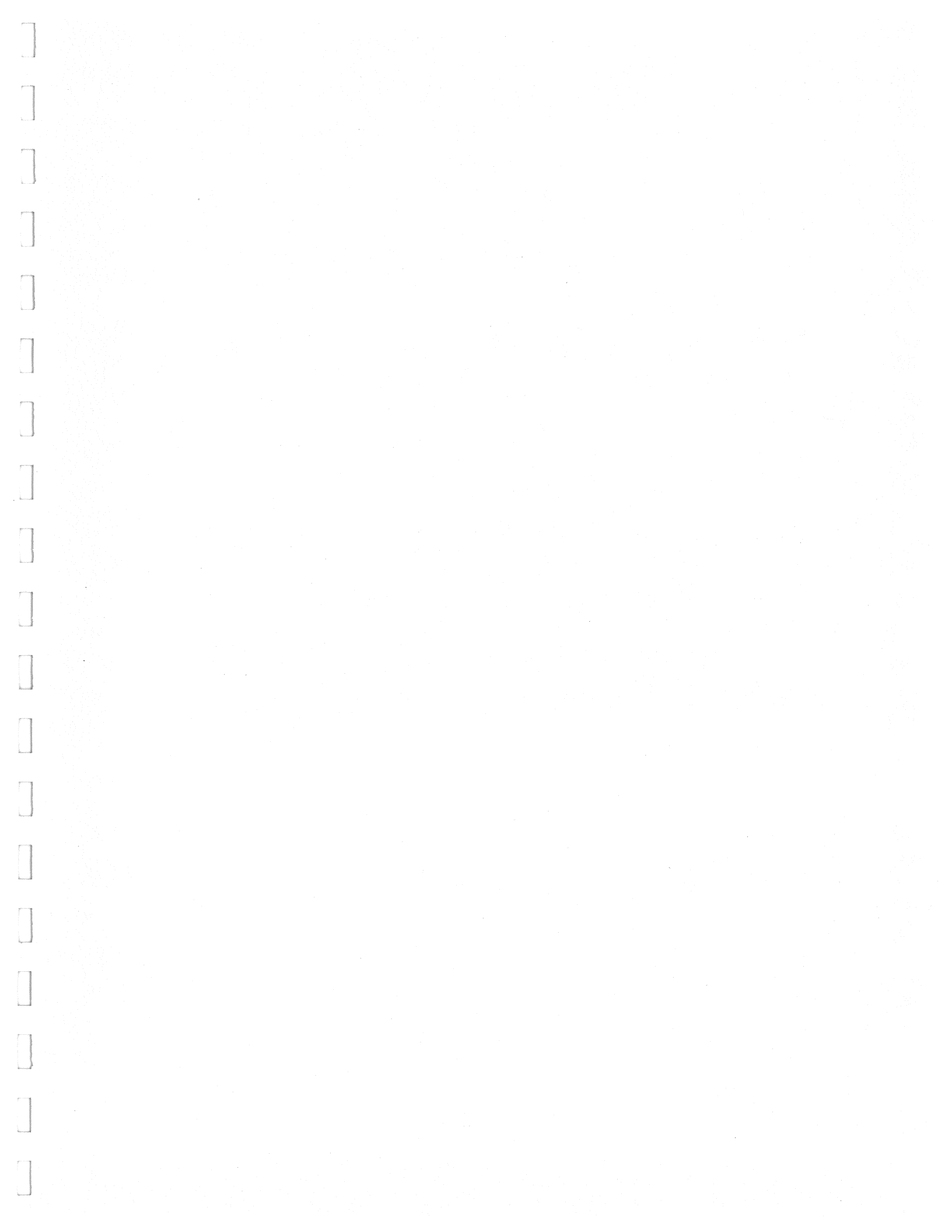
- System optimization requires integrated component, circuit, behavioral and system simulation

	Component	Circuit	Behavior	System
Electrical			 AMP MS21=10dB NF=2dB	
Physical				

⇒ Maxwell's equations are now available at all levels!

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# **Advances in Compact Device Models and Data-Based Behavioral Models**

**David E. Root, John Wood, and Steve Chen**



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## **Outline**

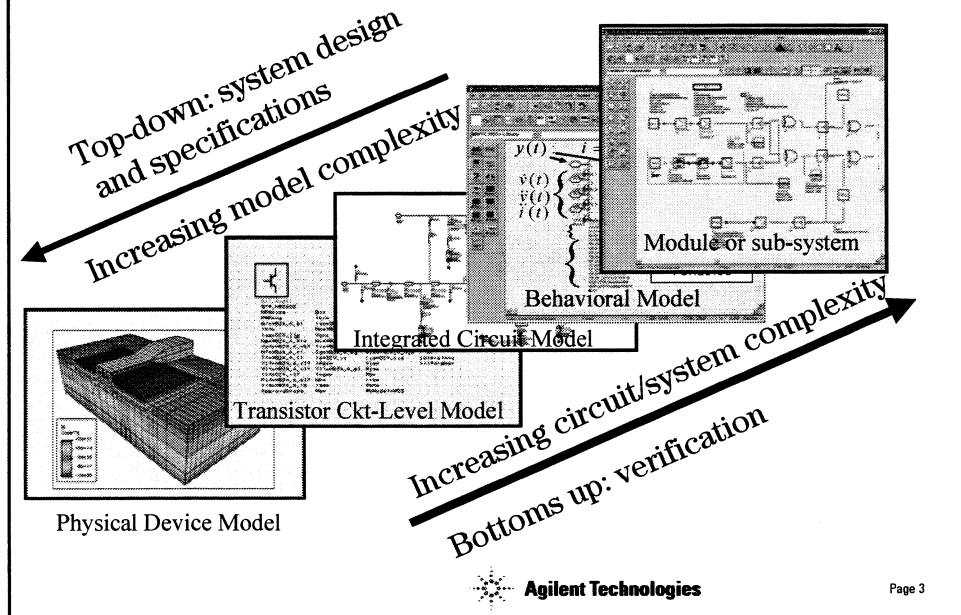
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- **Advances in Nonlinear Black-Box Data-based Modeling**
- **Conclusions**



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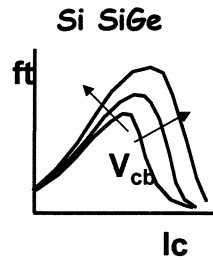
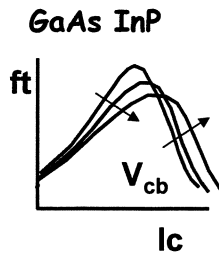
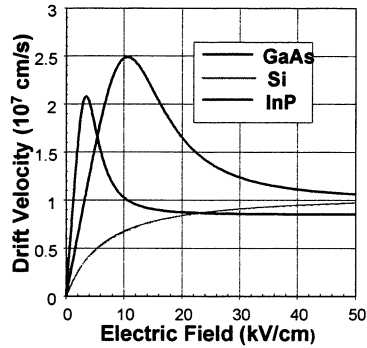
## Behavioral Modeling & the Design Hierarchy



## Trends in Nonlinear Device Modeling (1)

- Apply standard models to new device technologies
  - Extract Curtice Cubic model for GaN FET devices
  - Extract Gummel-Poon based Si BJT models for GaAs based HBTs
- Develop new models for "new" device technologies
  - III-V HBTs
  - LDMOS

### III-V HBTs vs. Si BJT



Microscopic transport properties -> device-level characteristics  
 Problems fitting III-V devices to Si BJT models

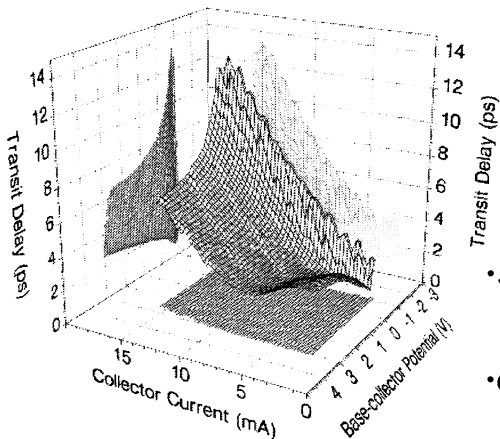
Models with III-V physics work better for GaAs InP HBTs [14]

Nonlinear transit-time models necessary to fit  $f_t$  characteristics



### Charge/Delay Model: Base-Collector Delay [14]

Measured base-collector transit time



$$\tilde{\tau}_C = \frac{\partial Q_{CC}}{\partial I_C} = \frac{\text{Im}(Y_{21} + Y_{22})}{\omega(g_m + g_{CE})}$$

$$\tilde{C}_C = \frac{\partial Q_{CC}}{\partial V_{BC}} = \frac{\text{Im}(Y_{21})}{\omega} - \tilde{\tau}_C \cdot g_m$$

$$Q_{CC} = \int \tilde{C}_C dV_{BC} + \tilde{\tau}_C dI_C$$

$$(Q_{diff} \neq \tau(V, I) \cdot I)$$

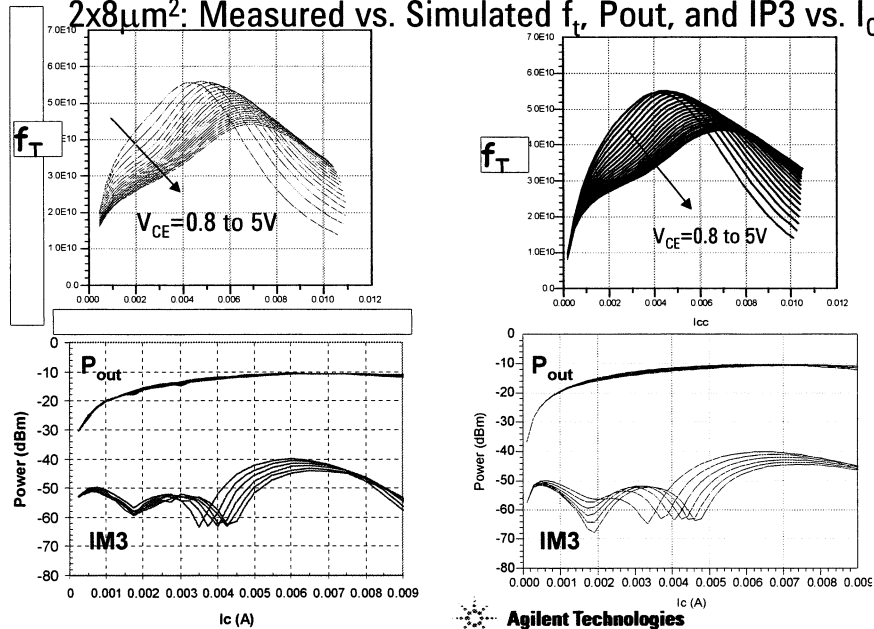
- Shape of  $\tau_C$  related to velocity-field curves (physics)

- Can compute terminal charges from line-integration of data or adjoint neural networks

Physics, device data, and model equations consistent



Device-Level Validation GaAs Power SHBT > 0.5 W  
 $2 \times 8 \mu\text{m}^2$ : Measured vs. Simulated  $f_T$ ,  $P_{out}$ , and IP3 vs.  $I_C$

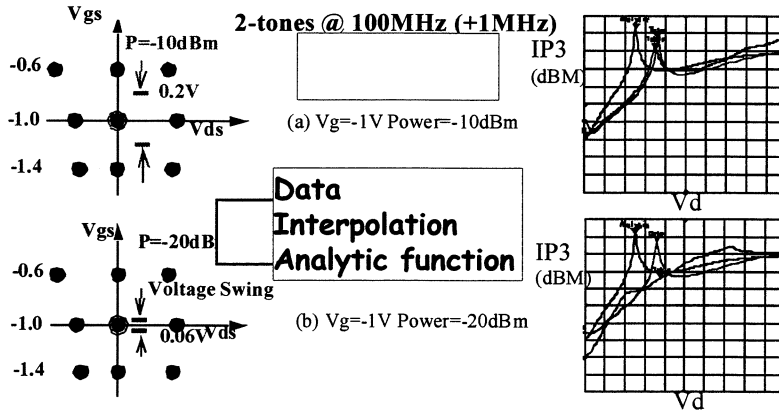


## Trends in Nonlinear Device Modeling (2)

- Combine empirical and table-based models
  - Replace model parameters with tables of values [17]
  - Use analytical (empirical) models for I-V;  
Table-based models for Q-V [18]
- Improved interpolation / approximation techniques for table-based models
  - B-splines [19],[20]
  - Neural Networks [16],[5]

## Multi-variate functions (1) Interpolation

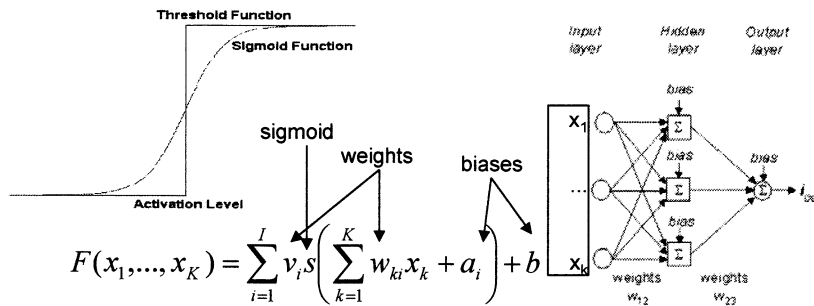
$$y(t) = f(V_1(t), V_2(t))$$



Interpolation algorithms can limit distortion simulation at low powers in otherwise good models

## Multi-variate functions (2) Artificial Neural Networks

A NN is a parallel processor made up of simple, interconnected processing units, called *neurons*, with weighted connections.

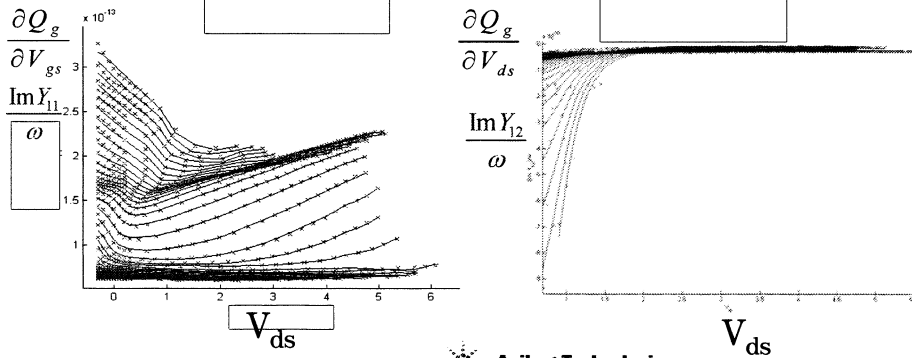


- Universal Approx. Thm: Can fit any nonlinear function of any # of variables
- Infinitely differentiable: good for distortion.
- Easy to train (fit) using standard third-party tools (MATLAB)

## Constructing FET $Q_g$ Charge from data $(Y_{11i}, Y_{12i})$ using Adjoint Neural Networks

For nonlinear data-based transistor models  
Terminal Charges for FET & HBT models

Technique based on [16]. Alternative to line-integration [15].



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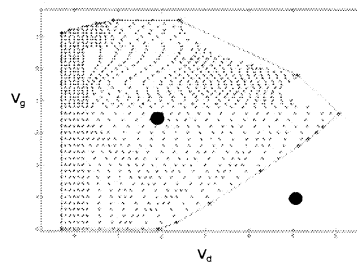
## Boundary and Guided Extrapolation

Example: 2-d data

Evaluate  $f(V_1, V_2)$  by:

- If  $(V_1, V_2)$  within Validity Region
  - Interpolation or
  - Fit function
- Otherwise
  - *Output something smart* that will cause the simulator to return to the validity region
  - Give user a warning that the model is extrapolating

Convex Hull



For an arbitrary region  $R$   
The *convex hull* of  $R$  is the smallest volume convex region containing  $R$ .



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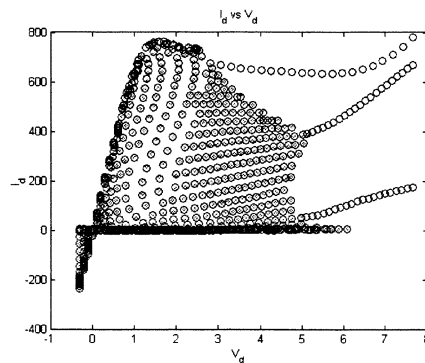
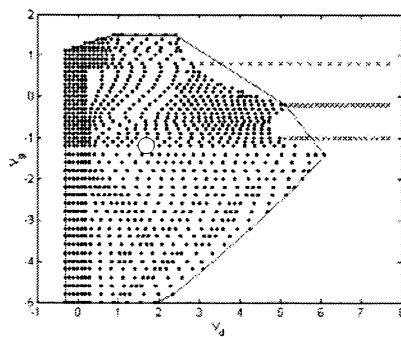
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## Guided Extrapolation

*"Output something smart" means*

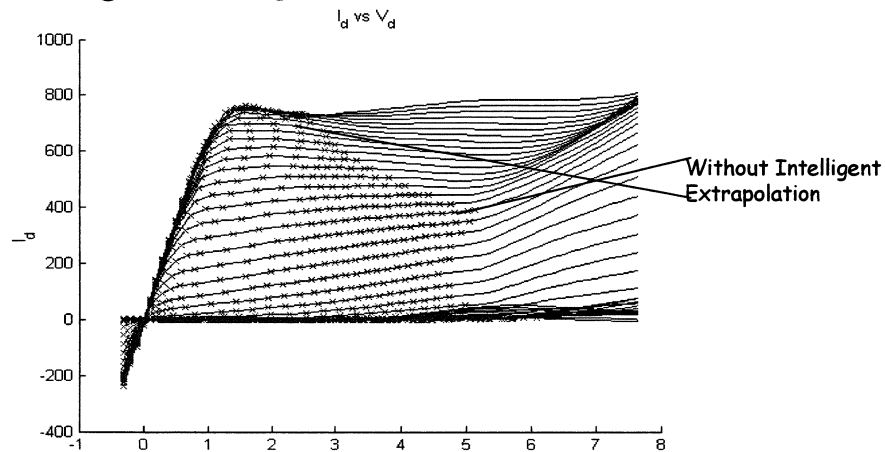
- Non-singular evaluation
- Desirable asymptotic behavior
  - 'Push' the simulator back toward the Valid region
- Ensure continuity of first derivatives
- No local maxima or minima
- Speed is important
- Need not be physically correct

## Example: FET model ANNs inside, Intelligent Extrapolation outside



Helpful for measurement-based device and black-box behavioral modeling

## Example: FET model: ANNs inside, Intelligent Extrapolation outside



"Perfect fit" and Infinitely Differentiable within Boundary  
Asymptotic Behavior Keeps Extrapolated Curves from Crossing

## Look to new modeling languages: Verilog-A

- Verilog-A : an Analog Hardware Description Language
- Language for modeling behavior of analog components at their external terminals/ports
- Open/public-domain language and an IEEE standard
- Easy enhancements to existing models
  
- Verilog (digital) - Verification and logging
  - Verilog-A (analog)
    - Verilog-AMS (mixed signal)



## Value of Verilog-A

- Dramatically increased modeling productivity
  - Modelers focus on model eqs. not simulator interface
  - No need for tedious partial derivatives or C-code
  - Independence from simulator vendors for compiled code
  - Possible general way to interface with simulator engine for new capabilities: Behavioral Modeling

## Simple Verilog-A Example

Define a module in Verilog-A, this example is called myR

```
module myR(p,n);  
  electrical p,n;  
  parameter real R=1;  
  analog V(p,n) <+ I(p,n)*R;  
endmodule
```

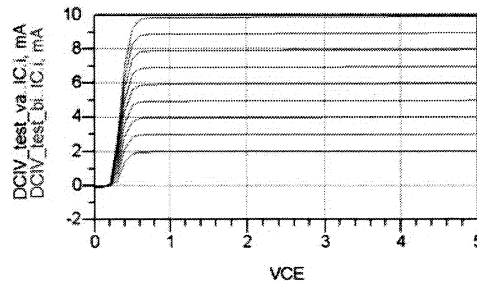
```
; Test myR  
V1:vsrc 1 0 vdc=1  
myR:r1 1 2 R=1  
myR:r2 2 0 R=1  
dc:dcl
```

The device myR is now available for use. Here we create two instances r1 and r2.

Results stored in the dataset in the standard way.

Node	v(1)	v(2)
	1.0	0.5

**Model Comparison Advanced HBT model [14]  
Compiled C code vs Compiled Verilog-A  
Starting from same prototype equations:**

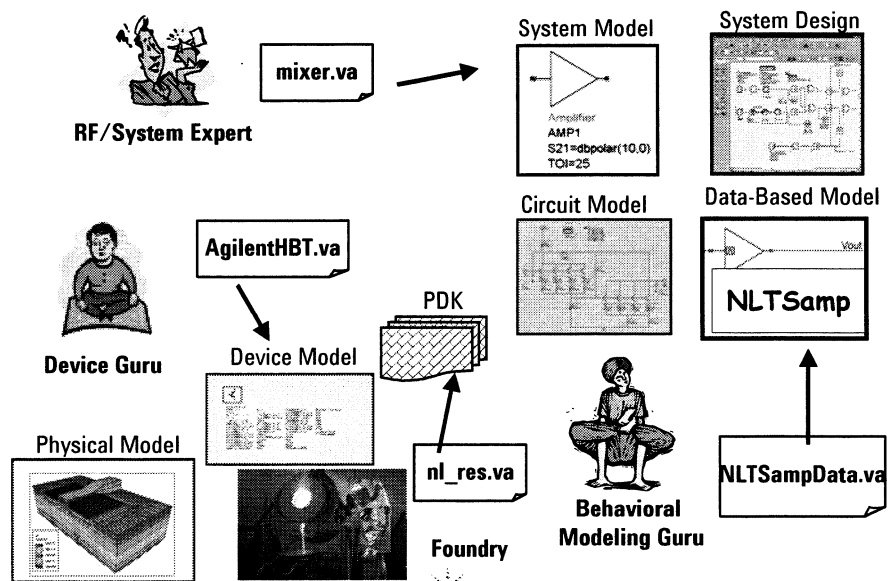


5000 lines of C-code  
2 months to compile  
25 pages of  
Mathematica for  
Partial Derivatives!

500 lines of Verilog-A  
2 days of work



**Verilog-A in Design Flows**



## Verilog-A Applications and Limitations

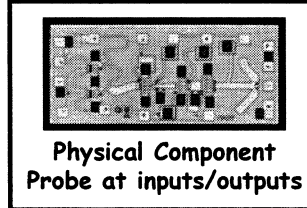
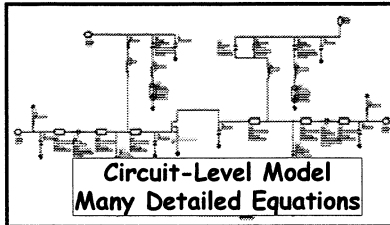
- **Circuit Design**
  - Transistor models
  - Limited interpolation capability a problem for table-based models
  - Custom component models in PDKs
- **A/RF System Design**
  - Top-down models for mixers, amps, PLLs, oscillators...
  - Bottom-up black-box behavioral models in V-A not fully ready

## Black-Box Behavioral Models

- Simplified (fast) model of essential nonlinear behavior
- Derivable from simulations and measurements
  - Derive models at higher abstraction levels using the simulator
  - Data-based models can be more accurate.  
No errors propagated from lower level models
- For Black-Box Models: add constraint:  
At ports connected to the external world
  - No internal information about component necessary

## Behavioral Modeling Flow

$X(t)$  [REDACTED]  $Y(t)$   
 Simulation-Based [REDACTED] Measurement-Based



Equation  
Order  
Reduction

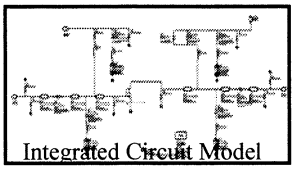
Excite and Measure  
in Simulator  
TA, HB, Envelope  
(black-box)

Excite and Measure  
Response with NVNA,  
Scope, VSA, etc.  
(black-box)

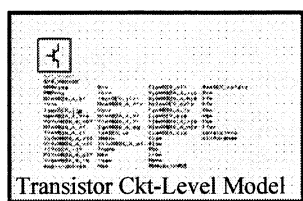
$F[x(t), y(t)] = 0$  Functional Relationship between input/output  
 Differential equations; describing functions; mixed domain

## Circuit-level simulation and nonlinear device models

**Simulators:**



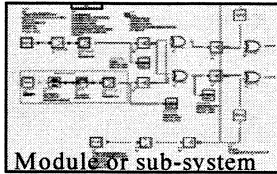
- SPICE (Time domain)
- Harmonic Balance (Freq. Domain)
- Transient Envelope (Mixed Domain)



**"Compact" (transistor, diode) Models**  
Time-domain "SPICE Models"

$$I(t) = I_s (e^{v(t)/kT} - 1) + \frac{C_{j0}}{\sqrt{1 - v(t)/\Phi}} \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$$

## System level simulation & nonlinear behavioral models



### Simulators:

Transient Envelope (Mixed Domain)  
Harmonic Balance (Freq. Domain)  
SPICE (Time-domain)



Black Box Behavioral Model of IC

### Behavioral Models

Still mostly time-domain models  
sometimes used w. freq. domain filters

**Behavioral models do not take full advantage of the benefits of available simulation algorithms**

## Native Behavioral Models

### Objectives:

Formulate black-box behavioral models in a language native to the simulator solution technique.

Most efficient for simulation

Most efficient for model generation

But not all models will simulate in all domains

### Requirements:

Access to the underlying simulator algorithm!

Open simulator architecture

Ability to schedule simulations

## Time Domain Behavioral Models and Simulation

Modeling problem: map input waveforms to output waveforms. (Functionals)  $y(t)=F[x(t)]$  or  $G[x(t),y(t)]=0$

- Models usually defined by nonlinear ordinary differential equations (NL ODEs)
  - Developed by Nonlinear Time Series or Dynamic Neural Networks
  - ODE models will simulate, in principle, in all in all other domains (HB, Envelope)

Examples:  $y(t) = f(x(t)) + g(x(t)) \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$       static

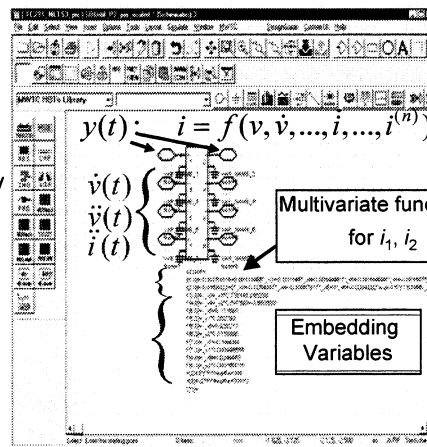
$y^{(n)} = f(y^{(n-1)}, \dots, y, x, \dot{x}, \dots, x^{(m)})$       dynamic



## NLTS Models Implemented in Simulator

$$i(t) = f(v(t), \dot{v}(t), \ddot{v}(t), \dots, v^{(n)}(t), i(t), \dots, i^{(m)}(t))$$

- Implemented as an "SDD" *Symbolically Defined Device*  
Interpreted user-defined nonlinear ODE interface
- SDD *automatically generated* (proper time derivatives, neural network functions, etc.)

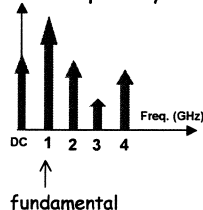


## Frequency Domain Models: Harmonic Balance

Modeling problem: map input spectrum to output spectrum

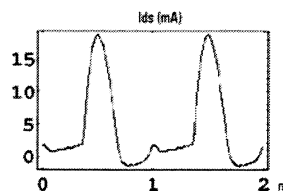
- Applies to systems under large-signal periodic drives
- Discrete harmonic spectra for all inputs, outputs, & state variables

Frequency Domain



$$x(t) = \text{Re} \left( \sum_{h=0}^H X_h e^{j 2\pi h f_0 t} \right)$$

Time Domain



$\{X_h\}$  complex (amplitude & phase) numbers at each harmonic index  $h$

## Example: "Scattering Function" amplifier model [4]

- Mismatch under large-signal drive
  - Considering only the fundamental signal components

$$b_2 = S_{21}(|a_1|) \cdot a_1 + S_{22}(|a_1|) \cdot a_2 + S'_{22}(|a_1|) \cdot e^{j \cdot 2 \cdot \phi(a_1)} \cdot a_2^*$$

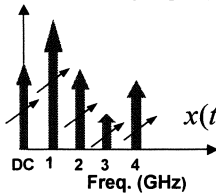
- More accurate "power-dependent" S-parameter behavioral model
- Basis for rigorous definition of "Hot S22"

## Envelope Domain Models and Simulation

Modeling problem: map input envelopes to output envelopes

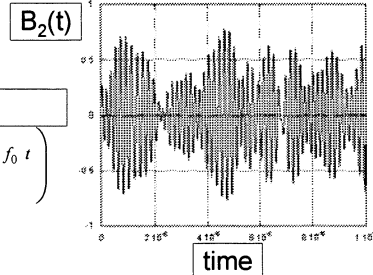
- Applies to systems under large-signal modulated drives
- Time-varying spectra for all inputs, outputs, & state variables

Time-varying spectrum



$$x(t) = \text{Re} \left( \sum_{h=0}^H X_h(t) e^{j 2\pi h f_0 t} \right)$$

Time Domain (envelope)



$\{X_h(t)\}$  complex (amplitude & phase) waveforms at each harmonic index  $h$



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## Envelope Models: Recent Advances

- Replace static output envelope function with a *functional*

$$\hat{Y}(t) \neq f(\hat{X}(t)) \rightarrow F[\hat{X}(t)]$$

$$F[\hat{X}(t)] = f(\hat{X}(t), \hat{X}(t - \tau), \dots, \hat{X}(t - n\tau))$$

- Various approximations for  $f$  lead to different models [10,11]
- Alternatively, embed the envelopes using time derivatives

$$F[\hat{X}(t)] = f(\hat{X}(t), \dot{\hat{X}}(t), \dots, \hat{X}^{(m)}(t))$$

Or, more generally, write (coupled) ordinary differential equation models for envelopes

$$\hat{Y}^{(n)}(t) = f(\hat{Y}^{(n-1)}, \dots, \hat{Y}(t), \hat{X}(t), \dot{\hat{X}}(t), \dots, \hat{X}^{(m)}(t))$$

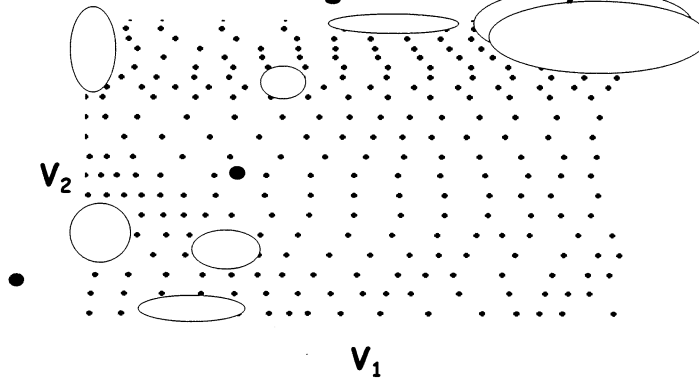


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## Behavioral Model Region of Validity & Convergence



Example: static model  $y(t) = f(V_1(t), V_2(t))$

Assume model valid for black point (interpolation in state-space)  
Extrapolation required for red point.

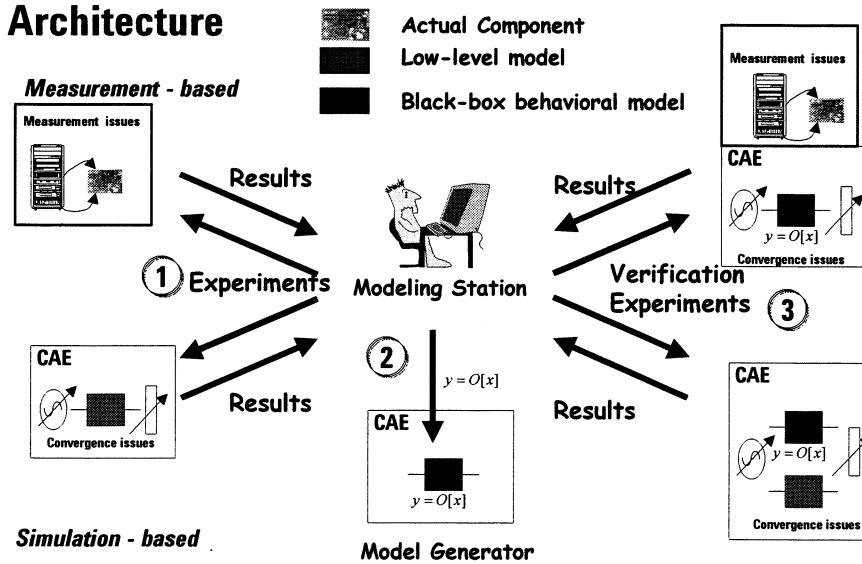
Apply Neural Networks w. Boundary Recognition / Extrapolation



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## Data-Based Black Box Modeling: Open Architecture



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## Conclusions

- Advances and trends in nonlinear device modeling were reviewed
  - Physics-based, measurement-based, CAD-oriented approaches, and new languages were highlighted
- Advances in Black-Box Behavioral models can be achieved by formulating them in language native to the simulator
  - Development of open simulator architectures and enhancements to standard modeling languages are suggested to enable progress



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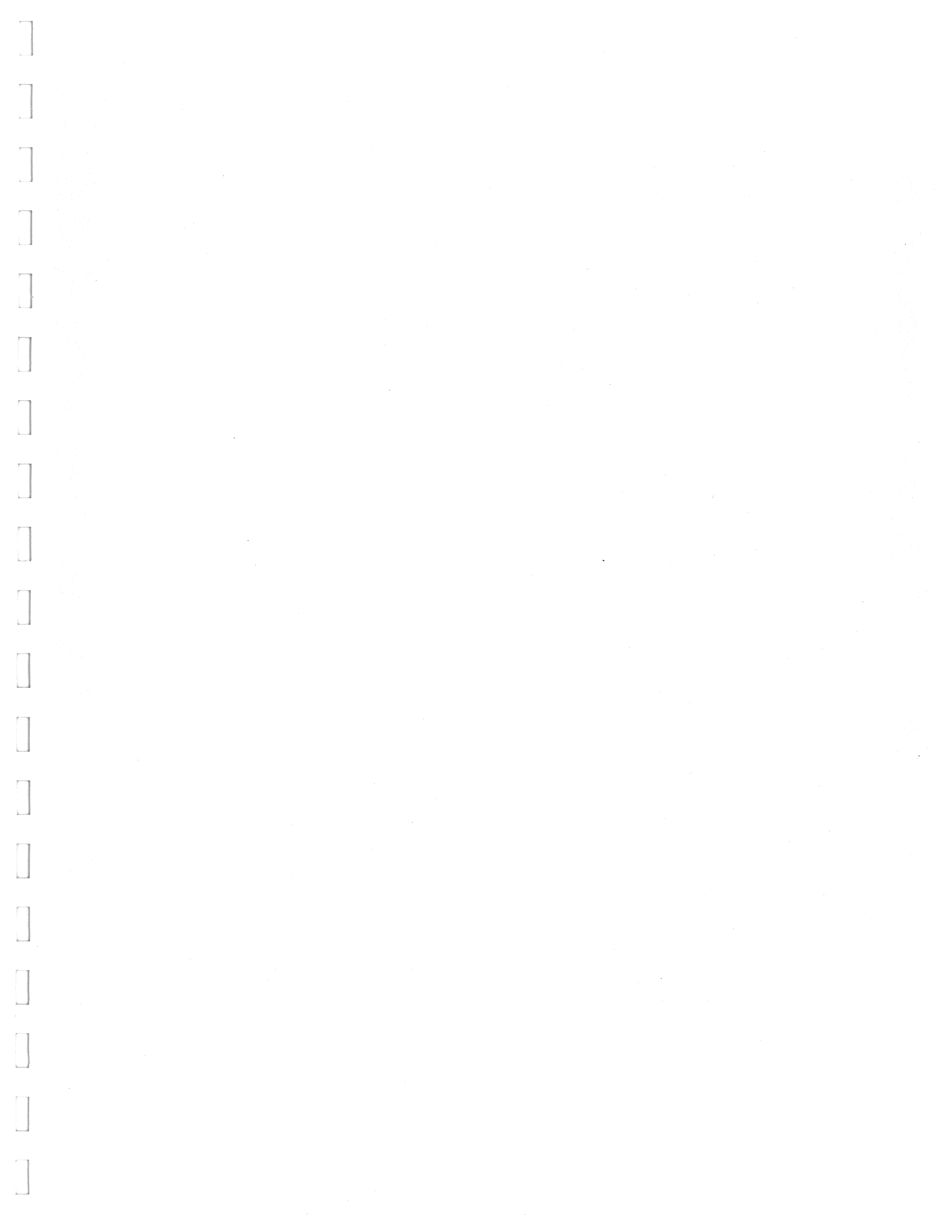


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## Introduction and Application of Cortical Theory to RF Amplifier Modeling and Compensation

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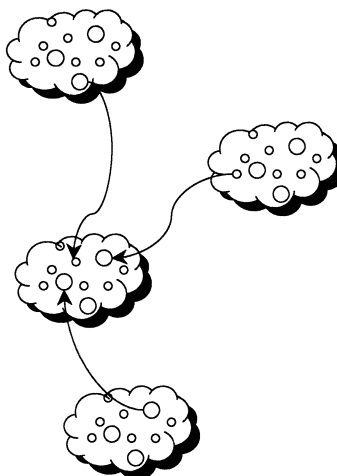
## Adding Smarts into RF Amplifiers

- Increasing radio environment complexity
  - Versatility (switched matching and bias networks,...)
  - Signal Environments (jammers, modulation, ...)
- The world is a very nonlinear place, with time varying nonlinear transfer functions, and evolving scenarios.
- Direct analytical techniques become overly complex, but even mice can deal with life.



# Outline

- An Application Example - Phrase Completion
- Biological Model
- Other Combinations
- RF Power Amplifier Modeling
- Pre-Distortion
- Applied Cortical Theory
- Conclusions



## Application Example – Phrase Completion

down	the	garden	_____
it	was	a	_____
take	the	train	_____
are	covered	with	_____
there	were	many	_____
when	lockheed	makes	_____
are	easy	to	_____
score	the	winning	_____



## Application Example – Discrete Input / Output States

For the case of this example,

- we will have the same discrete input and output states.
- 10,000 English word lexicon.

Active state is denoted by the solid circle.

- 1  the
- 2  of
- 3  to
- 4  ##
- 5  a
- 6  and
- 7  in
- 8  that
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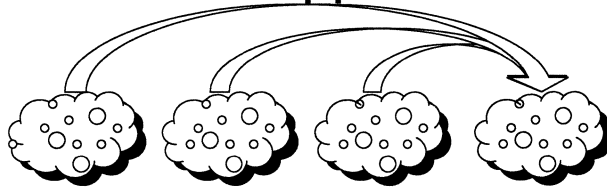


## Application Example – Phrase Representation

(null)	score	the	winning	
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## Constructs: Antecedent Support Networks



Source [ $src_{(t0-3)}$ ]       $src_{(t0-2)}$        $src_{(t0-1)}$       Target [ $tgt_{(t0)}$ ]

- **Build Antecedent Support Networks**

- Parse corpus – set rules, lexicon, then count events

- Training (raw counts)
- Education (encouraged)

- Calculate ASN probabilities

- Honing – least likely wrong answer...

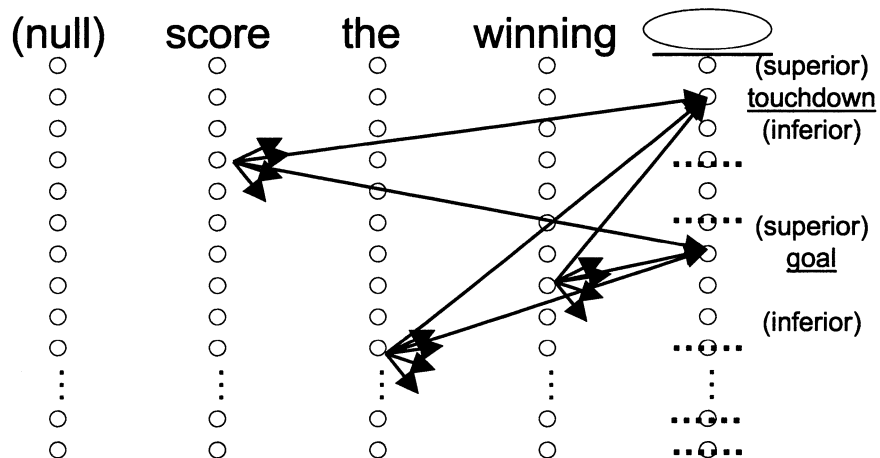
$$C(src, tgt)$$

$$C(tgt)$$

$$P(i_{src} | j_{tgt}) = C(i, j) / C(j)$$

$$\max \{ \min [ P(i_1, j), P(i_2, j), P(i_3, j), \dots ] \}$$

## Application Example – Finding Candidate Answers



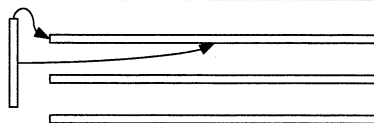
# Implementation

- Build a ASN Knowledge Base using:
  - ~3,000,000,000 word training corpus
  - Lexicon: 10000 words
  - Sparse PostX1 Count Data
    - 13.5M / 100M
  - Sparse PostX2 Count Data
    - 22.6M / 100M
  - Sparse PostX3 Count Data
    - 25.8M / 100M

```

C:\ExpGUI\projects\sample
File Actions Display Log Graphs Help
01/30/2003 15:12:12 Application Build Date: Nov 12 2002 14:02:41
01/30/2003 15:12:12 Experiment Start Time: Thu Jan 30 15:12:12
2003

01/30/2003 15:12:12 Computer Name: PDRAXLER
01/30/2003 15:12:16 Starting 'That'
01/30/2003 15:12:16 *** Token Lexicon Database Building Complete
01/30/2003 15:12:38 *** PostX1 Database Building Complete
01/30/2003 15:13:15 *** PostX2 Database Building Complete
01/30/2003 15:14:01 *** PostX3 Database Building Complete
01/30/2003 15:14:01 'That' - Database Building Complete
01/30/2003 15:14:01 'That' ended with no errors.
01/30/2003 15:14:01 Ready for 'This' stuff.
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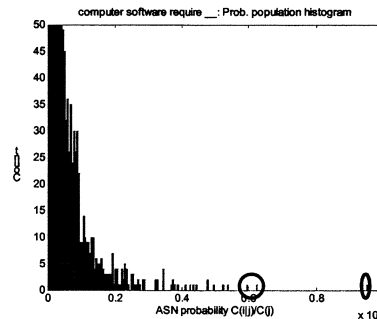
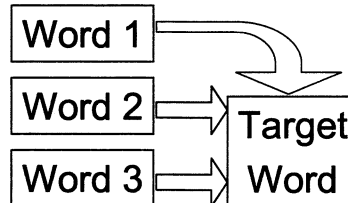


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# Outputs

- String outputs:
  - Three input words and indices
  - Top contenders with  $p(i|j)$ 's
- MATLAB outputs:
  - Indexed result plots
  - Zoomed Histograms of results
  - Log-Log Histograms (w/ bars)
    - Each contributing  $p(i|j)$
    - Post honing support
- Show some interesting words  
Computer software require \_\_\_\_\_  
xxx, yyy, zzz



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## Text Output FAST...

```
01/30/2003 10:52:10      *** NEW RUN ***
01/30/2003 10:52:10 Source Word1: target #1489
01/30/2003 10:52:10 Source Word2: strange #4405
01/30/2003 10:52:10 Source Word3: effects #2182
01/30/2003 10:52:12 ----- Paul's Top 3 ----- final AS --- X3 --- X2 --- X1 ---
01/30/2003 10:52:12 Target1: #9024 harmful 0.000085 = min(0.000169, 0.000085, 0.000254)
01/30/2003 10:52:12 Target2: #5563 emerge 0.000082 = min(0.000082, 0.000082, 0.000123)
01/30/2003 10:52:12 Target3: #8126 bent 0.000073 = min(0.000073, 0.000073, 0.000073)
```

## Application Example – Phrase Completion Answers

down	the	garden	<u>(path, ridge, carpet, soil)</u>
it	was	a	<u>(clear, logical, frustrating)</u>
take	the	train	<u>(ride, trip, trips, rides, journey)</u>
are	covered	with	<u>(medicaid, thick, mud, plastic)</u>
there	were	many	<u>(surprises, casualties, factors)</u>
when	lockheed	makes	<u>(airplane, missiles, fighter)</u>
are	easy	to	<u>(install, understand, dismiss)</u>
score	the	winning	<u>(touchdown, goal, basket)</u>

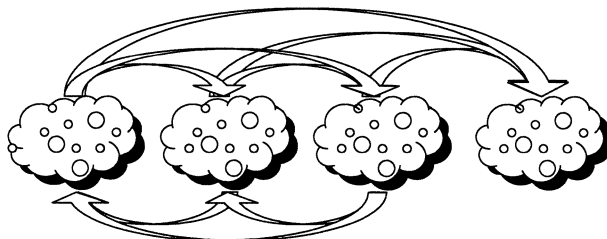
## Summary of Attaching the Problem

- Define discrete input / output target states.
- Build pairwise statistical dependencies (from a training corpus) between assumed facts or context and the target or solution region.
- Track the context and identify best solution states.
- Separate non-answers from candidate answers.
- Separate best answers from inferior answers.

## Language: A Severely NL Transfer Function

- Language has been formulated by humans, for humans and is quite natural for modeling the dynamics between the thalamus and the cerebral cortex.
- Confabulation (as observed in the thalamocortical dynamic) allows one to capture and predict the performance of very nonlinear transfer functions, by using context (non-uniform historical weighting).

## Constructs: Hierarchical ASN's



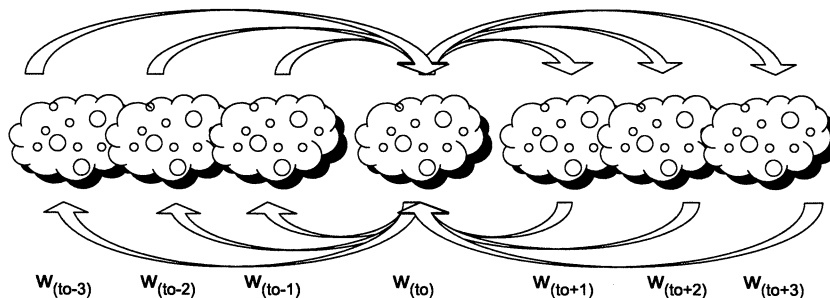
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- Identify phrases: Hierarchical ASN's
  - Strong support from flat ASN's
  - Differentiated context from individual words
  - Simplify and clarifies context for future events

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## Constructs: Synonymy

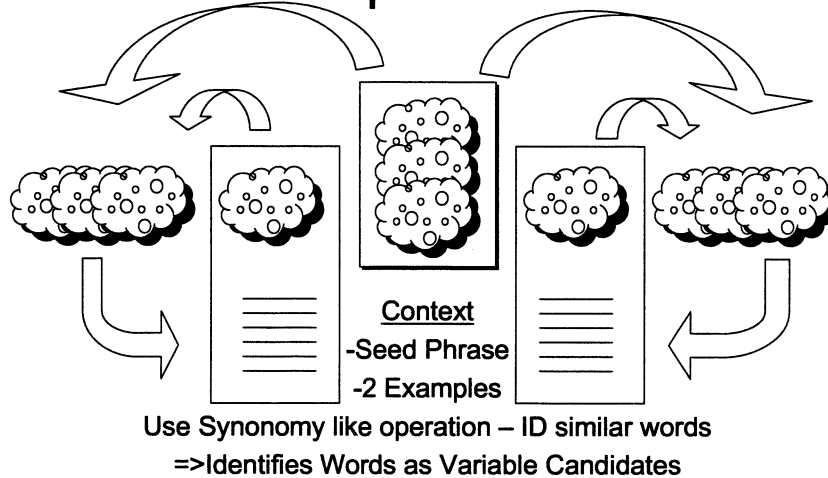


- From an initial word
- Generate lists of common context through outward ASN's
- Use lists and inward ASN's to obtain synonyms.
- Phrase Differentiation
  - Word 1 – context/synonyms
  - Word 2 – context/synonyms
  - Words 1&2
    - strong mutual ASN's
    - very different context/synonyms

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## Variable Element Construction: Conceptual Model

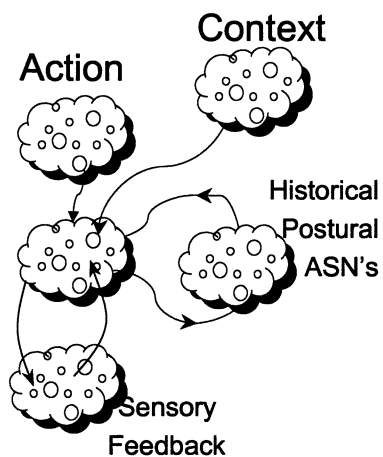


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## Action Elaboration and Instantiation

- **Elaboration:**  
A process by which a high level construct is expanded into a number of specific objectives that are sequential targets.
- **Instantiation:**  
Expand and adapt elaboration consistent with current context.
- **Context:**  
Training & environmental context,  
Historical context of current activity (ASN's),  
Sensory Feedback [implied].
- **Attention:** can be given (or not) to any of the sequential targets in an action sequence.

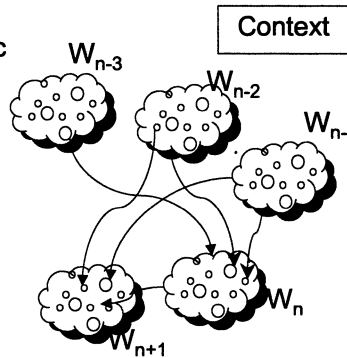


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# Cocktail Party: Segmenting, Interference, and Expectation

- **Segmenting:**  
An object isolation process where a specific item is either associated with a context or rejected (ignored).
- **Interference:**  
Multiple, simultaneous item options, of which only one is part of the target.
- **Expectation:**  
A process of setting pre-established weights on tokens based on context.



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## Specific Example (96% accuracy)

lebanon has arrested nine people plotting an attack on the u.s. embassy and kidnapping to try to force the release of islamic militant prisoners

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05/16/2003 01:35:27 ***** New Simulation *****	05/16/2003 01:35:33 Word matched: embassy
05/16/2003 01:35:27 *****	05/16/2003 01:35:33 Matching FAILED 1: housing
05/16/2003 01:35:27 Sentence 0: 24 words	05/16/2003 01:35:33 Word matched: kidnapping
05/16/2003 01:35:27 Sentence 1: 22 words	05/16/2003 01:35:33 Word matched: to
05/16/2003 01:35:27 Sentence 2: 20 words	05/16/2003 01:35:34 Word matched: try
05/16/2003 01:35:30 *****	05/16/2003 01:35:34 Word matched: to
05/16/2003 01:35:30 Starting Word: lebanon	05/16/2003 01:35:34 Word matched: force
05/16/2003 01:35:30 Starting Word: has	05/16/2003 01:35:35 Word matched: the
05/16/2003 01:35:30 Starting Word: arrested	05/16/2003 01:35:35 Word matched: release
05/16/2003 01:35:31 Word matched: nine	05/16/2003 01:35:35 Word matched: of
05/16/2003 01:35:31 Word matched: people	05/16/2003 01:35:35 Word matched: islamic
05/16/2003 01:35:31 Word matched: plotting	05/16/2003 01:35:36 Word matched: militant
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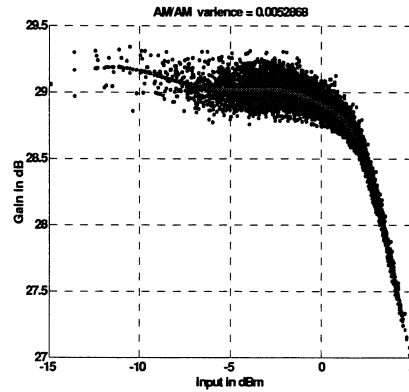
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# RF Power Amplifier Problem

- RF amplifiers requirements today include
  - High efficiency for extended battery life,
  - Minimized distortion to limit interference
  - Minimized spectral regrowth over frequency
  - Multimode operations – extreme modulation variations
- Modeling only instantaneous distortions (red line) is insufficient to achieve these goals, so accurate modeling of the memory effect (blue dots) is required.
- Once one has a sufficient model for these impairments, the next task is to devise ways compensate for them.



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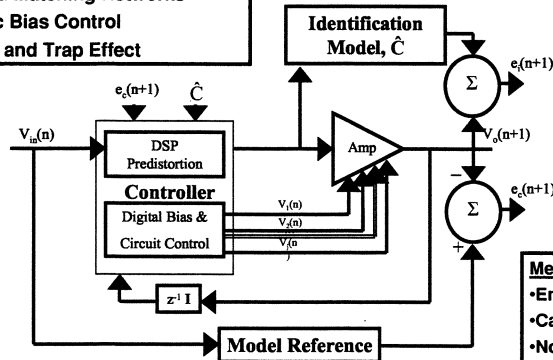
# Impact and Reaction to Memory in Wireless Systems

## Causes

- Matching and Bias Network Impact
- Switched Matching Networks
- Dynamic Bias Control
- Thermal and Trap Effect

## Performance Impact

- Increased ACPR
- Degraded EVM
- Limits to Memoryless Predistortion
- Decreased network capacity



## Enabling

- Memory Compensation
- Enhanced Smart Front Ends
- Capability to Adaptive Controls
- Nonlinear MIMO Control

Similar to Model Reference Adaptive Control, Landau (1979), Haykin (1999)

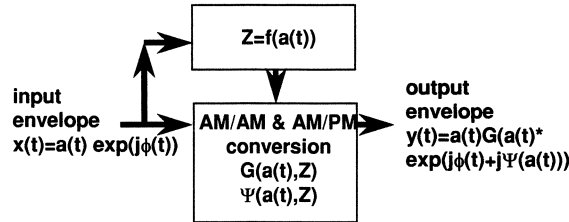
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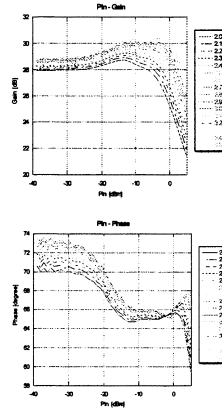
# Augmented Behavioral Characterization

## *ABC Model*

Gain and phase depend on measurable parameter,  $Z$   
such as temperature or bias voltage ( $V_{dd}$ )



Independently measure gain and phase vs  $Z$   
Develop simple model (possibly with memory!)  
of  $Z$  dependence on input amplitude Asbeck et al (2002)



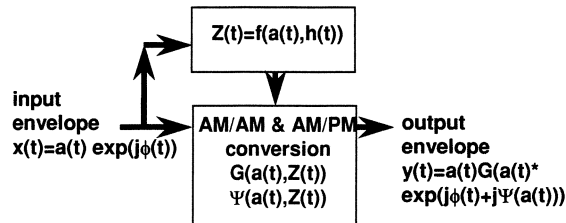
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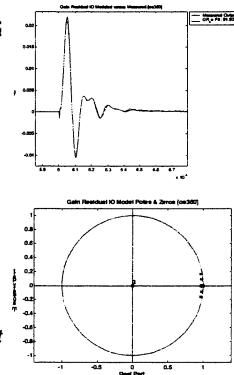
# Augmented Behavioral Characterization

## *Blackbox ABC Model*

Gain and phase depend on additional parameter,  $z$   
but this parameter may not be accessible



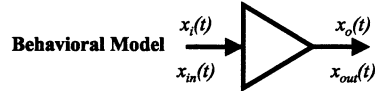
Extract gain residue,  $h$ , from square wave measurement  
Extract pole/zero model for gain residue  
and apply as modulation on  $Z(t)$ . Draxler et al (2003)



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# Modeling Theory



$$x_i(t) = x_{in}(t) \exp(j(2\pi f_o t + \phi_{in}(t)))$$

$$x_o(t) = x_{om}(t) \exp(j(2\pi f_o t + \phi_{om}(t)))$$

**Gain dependence on hidden parameter Z**

$$x_{om}(t) = G(x_{in}(t), Z(t)) x_{in}(t)$$

**Approximate with Taylor expansion**

$$G(x_{in}, Z(t)) \approx G(x_{in}, Z_o) + \frac{\partial G}{\partial Z} \bigg|_{Z=Z_o} (Z(t) - Z_o(x_{in}))$$

$$G(x_{in}, Z(t)) \approx G_o(x_{in}) \cdot (1 + k_g(x_{in}) \cdot (Z(t) - Z_o(x_{in})))$$

**Initially, let us assume a linear response of Z to changes of  $x_{in}$**

$$G(x_{in}, Z(t)) \approx G_o(x_{in}) \cdot (1 + k_g h_z(t) \otimes x_{in}(t))$$

or

$$G(x_{in}, Z(t)) \approx G_o(x_{in}) \cdot (1 + \gamma(x_{in}))$$

where,  $\gamma(x_{in})$  is the gain residue

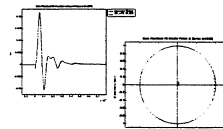
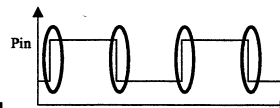
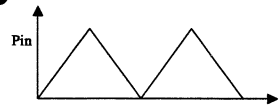
and  $G_o(x_{in})$  is the memoryless compression model

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## Black-box ABC Model: Extraction Methodology for PA with Memory

- Slow - Triangle Waveform
  - AM/AM and AM/PM model
- Square Waveform at various power levels
  - Extract gain residue
- Model gain residue modeled using system identification techniques
- Validate with other waveforms
  - Triangle, Square, Two tone, CDMA, 802.11 and others



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# CDMA Measurements

The dependence of the gain residue on the signal history shows up as a correlation with the input signal.

Gain residue  $\frac{G(t) - G_o}{G_o} = k_g h(t) \otimes x_{in}(t)$  Depends on input signal roughly as linear system

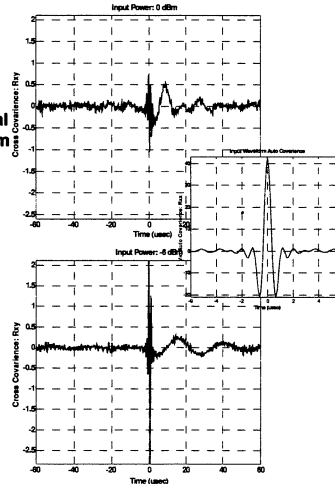
Input-output cross-correlation theorem:  $\phi_{io}(t) = \int h(\tau) \phi_{ii}(\tau - t) d\tau$

Crosscorrelation of input and output of linear system is equal to convolution of impulse response of system and input autocorrelation function

Input Autocorrelation has a very narrow shape (related to FIR filter and baseband LPF).

$\phi_{ii}(t)$  is approximately a delta-function.

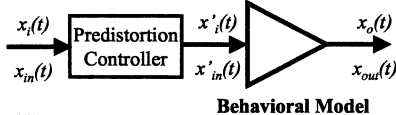
=> expect  $\phi_{io}(t)$  to approximately equal the impulse response of the gain residue



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# Memoryless and Memory Effect Predistortion – Initial Test



We want:

$$x_{out}(t) = G_r \cdot x_{in}(t) = P(x'_{in}(t)) * (1 + \gamma(x'_{in}(t)))$$

Where  $G_r$  is a constant, minimal gain of the chain,  $P(\cdot)$  is the memoryless gain compression model, and  $\gamma(\cdot)$  is the gain residue, and,

$$x'_{in}(t) = x_{in}(t) + \delta$$

And if  $\delta$  is small, and the gain residue is small, we can approximate,

$$P(x'_{in}(t)) = \frac{G_r \cdot x_{in}(t)}{(1 + \gamma(x_{in}(t)))}$$

We can then define a memoryless predistortion based on an inverted polynomial of the compression characteristic,  $P^{-1}(\cdot)$

$$\tilde{x}'_{in}(t) = P^{-1}(G_r \cdot x_{in}(t))$$

We can then define a first order correction error  $e_1$ ,

$$e_1 = P(\tilde{x}'_{in}(t)) \cdot (1 + \gamma(\tilde{x}'_{in}(t))) - G_r \cdot x_{in}(t)$$

$$e_1 = G_r \cdot x_{in}(t) \cdot \left( \frac{\gamma(\Delta)}{1 + \gamma(x_{in}(t))} \right)$$

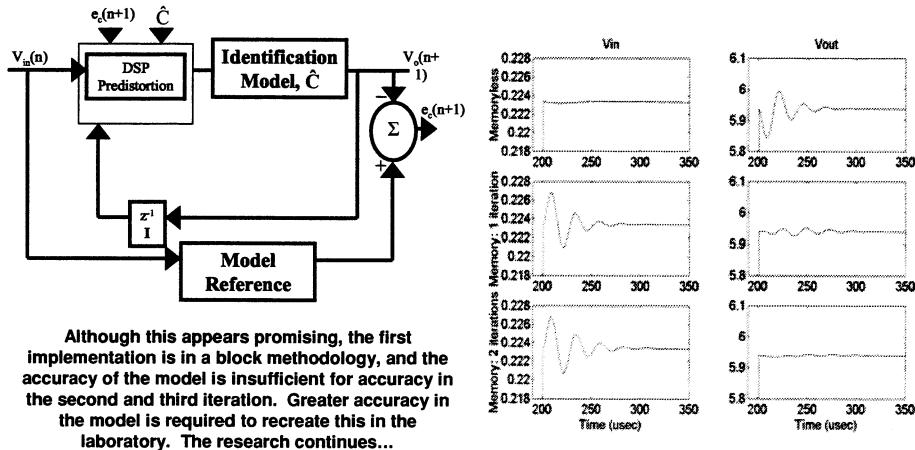
$$\Delta = |x + \delta| - |x|$$

We have applied this to the Blackbox ABC model with favorable results (next few slides) but the actual system is further complicated by a nonlinear gain residue,  $\gamma(\cdot)$ , and compression characteristic,  $P(\cdot)$ .

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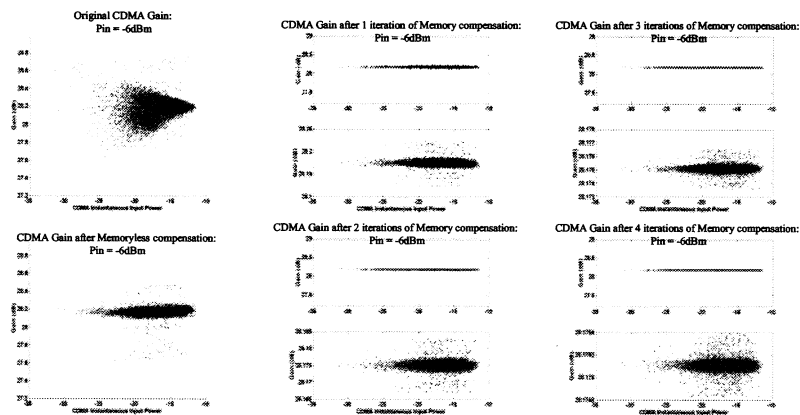
## Initial Emulation of Memory Effect Predistortion with Pulsed RF Waveforms



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## Initial Emulation of Memory Effect Predistortion with CDMA Waveforms



Although this appears promising, the accuracy of the model is insufficient for accuracy in the second and third iteration. Greater accuracy in the model is required to recreate this in the laboratory. The research continues...

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## DSP Motivation and Context

- Corrective structures can be classified as block based or adaptive.
- Adaptive systems adapt faster, more agile, and efficient than block based algorithms.
- Standard adaptive filter structures are generally very good at correcting for stationary, or slowly varying signal contamination, but not fast enough for NL transfer functions.
- Controls to correct for nonlinear signal contamination require a nonlinear adaptive system – adaptive time constants and wide eigen value spreads are common issues.

## Cortical Theory Additions

Define discrete input and output values.

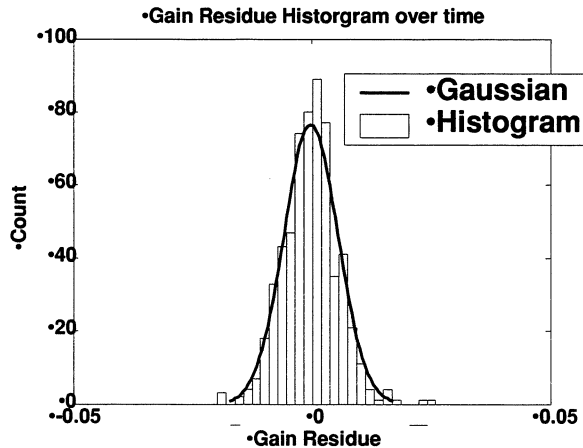
Input:  $|V_{in}|$  and  $\Delta V_{in}$

Output: gain residue

Build pairwise knowledge bases (try Gaussian curvefit to histograms).

Define predicted context based on Blackbox ABC model, previous inputs to RF Power Amplifier and generate the most likely mean and standard deviation for Gain Residue.

# One RF PA Knowledge Base



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## Conclusions

Confabulation is based on observations and insight of mammalian Thalamocortical dynamics.

Language transfer functions are severely nonlinear, leading one to conclude that confabulation will work with simpler control systems.

Complex digital modulation, combined with solid state electronics have created new multi-disciplinary problems for RF systems.

By exploring how other communities have solved similar problems and by applying new approaches, we can further improve channel, power, and component efficiency of RF transceivers.

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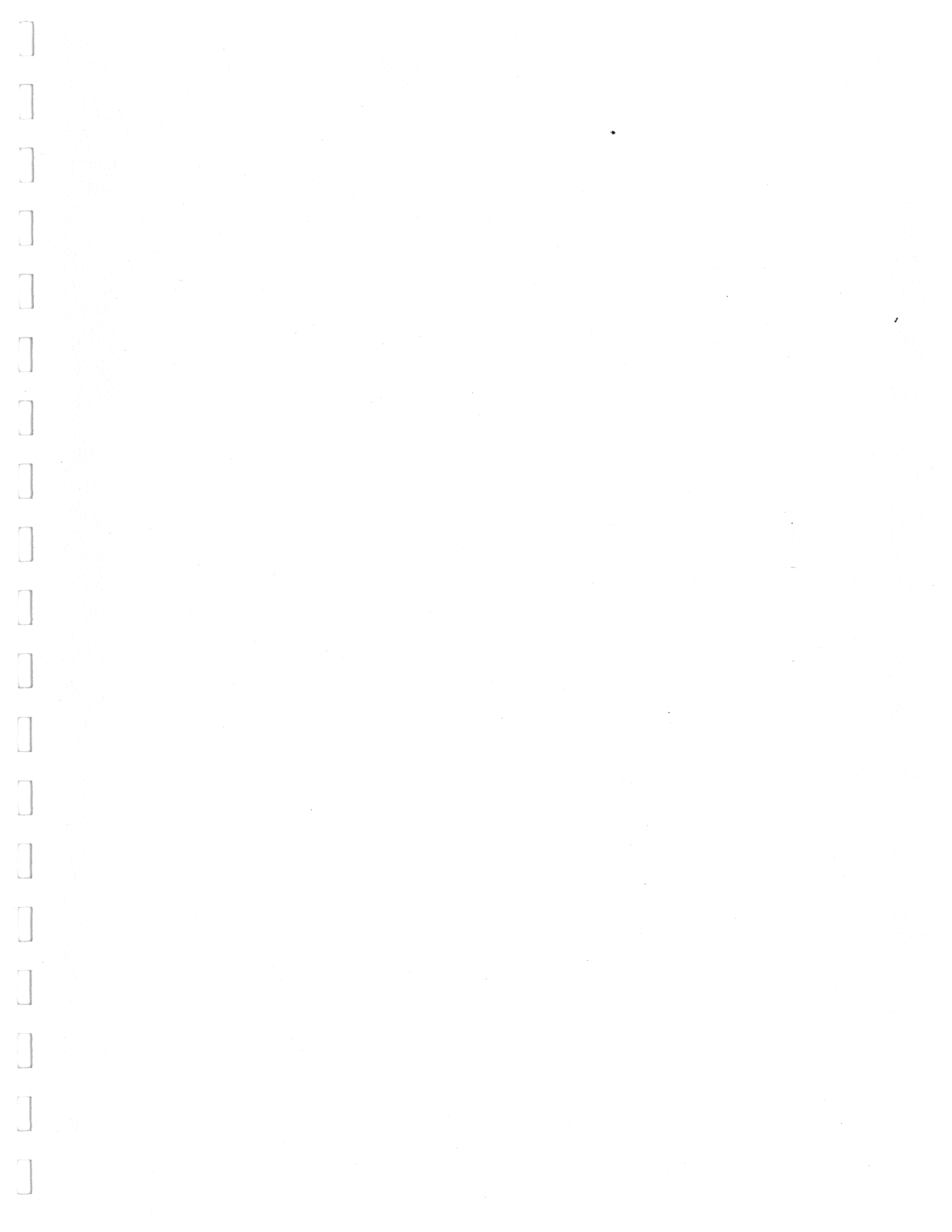
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## **Measurement-Based ANN Modeling in the Frequency-Domain**

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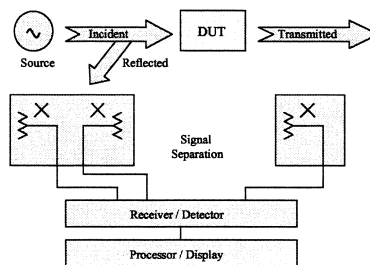


### **Presentation Outline**

- ★ ANN Modeling for Improved Vector Network Analyzer Calibrations
- Developing Frequency-Domain Models for Nonlinear Circuits Based on Large-Signal Measurements

## Vector Network Analyzers

- VNAs are one of the most versatile instruments in the RF and microwave industry.
- Used to measure complex scattering parameters of device and circuits.
- Engineers use them to verify designs, confirm proper performance, and diagnose problems.



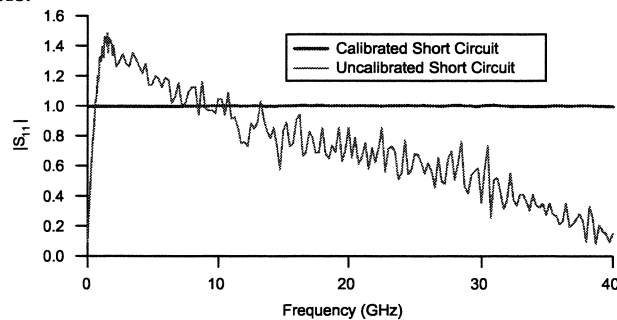
## Importance of Calibration

### Calibration accounts for:

- Directivity and crosstalk errors due to signal leakage.
- Impedance mismatches.
- Frequency response errors in the source and receiver.
- Losses in the cables and connectors.

### Calibration doesn't account for:

- System drift.
- Repeatability in the switches and connectors.
- Instrument noise.
- Errors in calibration standards.



## Vector Network Analyzer Calibrations

### **Procedure:**

- Measure known standards.
- Process data to determine error coefficients.
- Correct measured data for device under test.

### **Methods:**

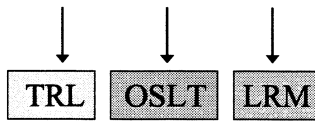
Lumped-element standards (OSLT, LRM).  
Transmission line standards (TRL, Multiline TRL).  
Electronic transfer standards.

## Motivations

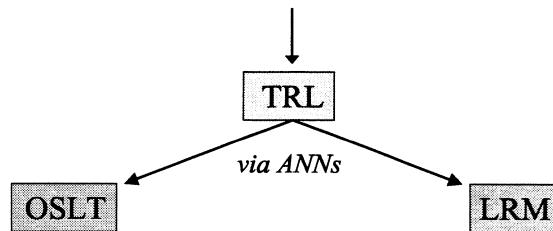
- Multiline TRL highly accurate means of VNA calibration but it does have disadvantages, namely standards require a lot of real estate and changing separation of probes is necessary.
- Compact calibration kits, such as LRM and OSLT, are preferred on-wafer, but these also have disadvantages, namely lumped-element artifacts tend to be less accurate.
- If standards can be characterized using a benchmark calibration, it is possible to perform an accurate on-wafer LRM or OSLT calibration.
- Once the standards are characterized, one must decide whether to develop a model for them or directly use measurement data obtained from benchmark calibration.

## Calibration Standard Philosophies

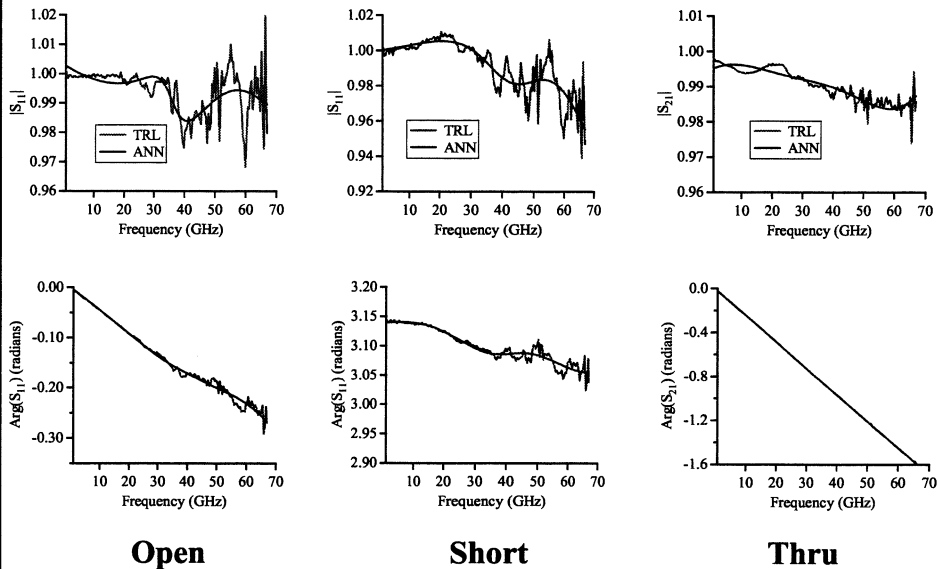
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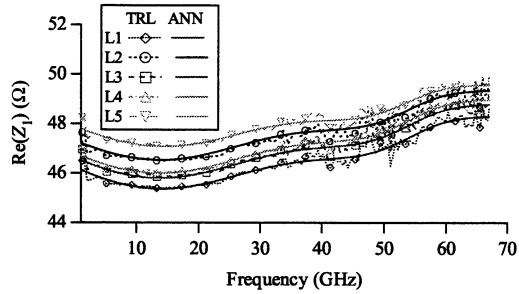
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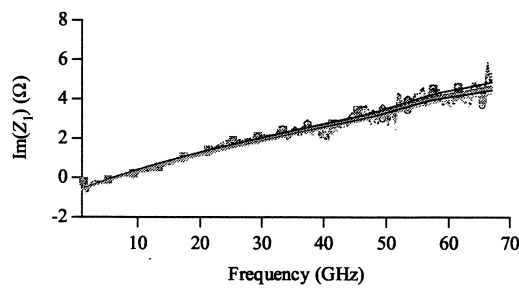
## On-Wafer OSLT – Open, Short, and Thru Standards



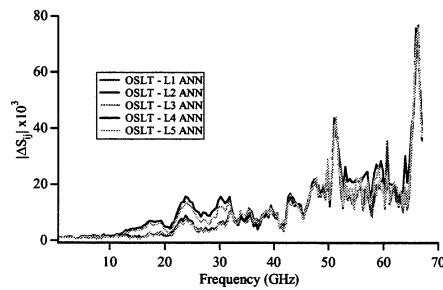
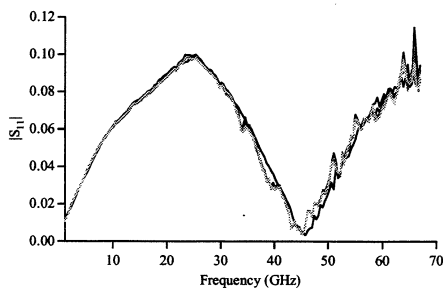
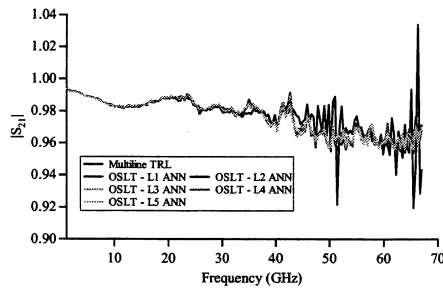
### On-Wafer OSLT – Varying Loads



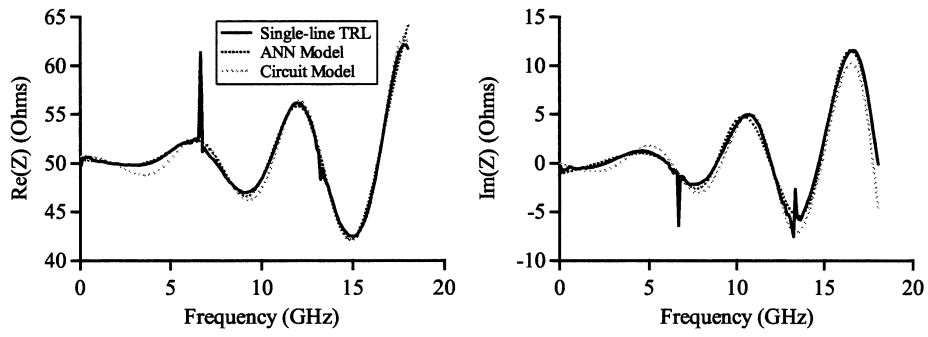
Load	DC Resistance (Ω) Port 1
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3	45.20
4	45.38
5	46.45



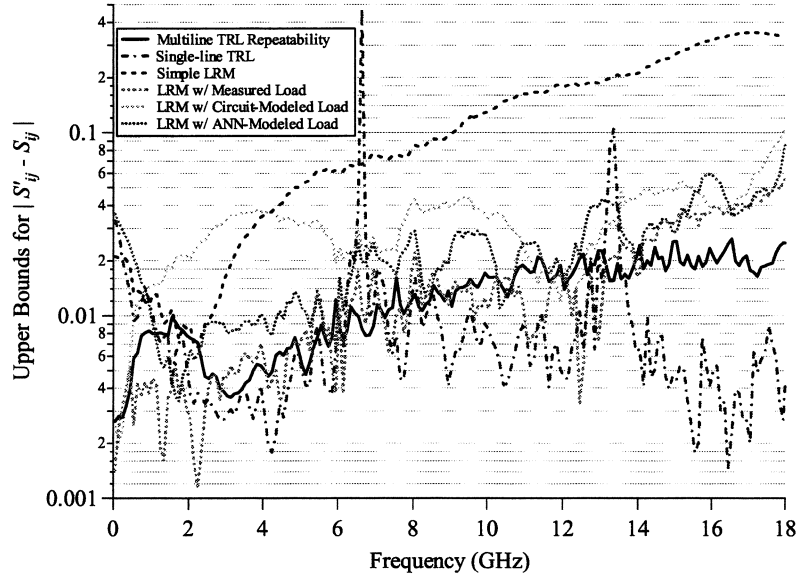
### On-Wafer OSLT – Calibration Comparisons



### Coaxial LRM – Match



### Coaxial LRM – Calibration Comparisons





## Summary

- We have successfully applied ANNs to model on-wafer and coaxial lumped-element calibration standards.
- We have shown that calibrations that make use of ANN-modeled standards compare favorably to benchmark TRL calibrations.
- ANN-modeled calibration standards can be implemented using existing or custom software packages.
  - MultiCal: TRL and LRM calibrations
  - NeuroModeler: ANN model development
  - Custom: OSLT calibrations

## Advantages of ANN Models

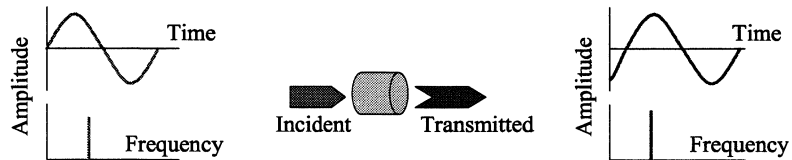
- They do not require detailed physical models.
- ANN models are much more compact than large measurement files (62 real-valued parameters for  $S_{11}$  vs. 2475 for measurement database of just 5 loads).
- Possible to generate accurate models using only a few measurement points (9 of the 165 available points). Thus, calibration times can be reduced.
- ANN models, trained on only a few measurement points, can be much more accurate than direct calibrations when limited data are available.
- They are less susceptible to the noise inherent in measured data.
- ANN models are able to accurately model loads with measured DC resistances slightly outside their training range.

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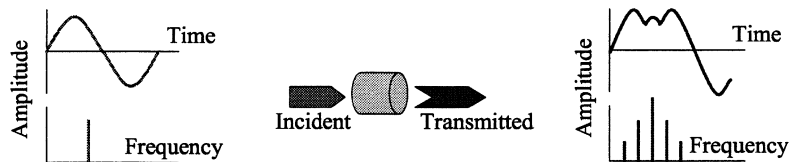
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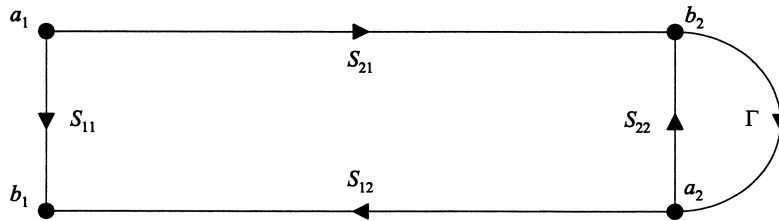
### *Linear Device*



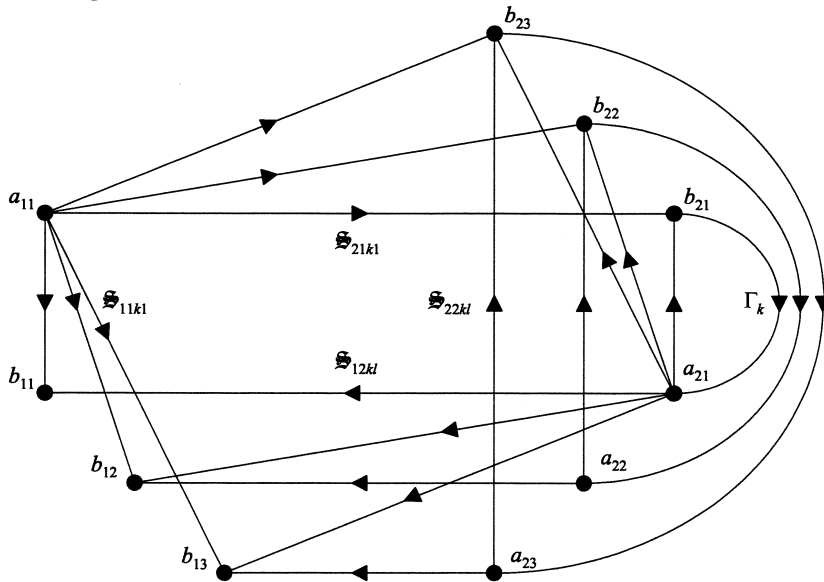
### *Nonlinear Device*



### Flow Diagram for a Linear Two-Port Device



### Flow Diagram for a Nonlinear Two-Port Device



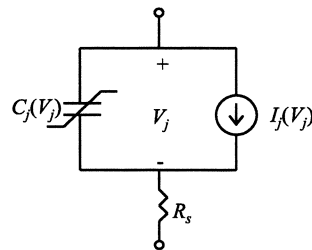
## Common Approaches to Nonlinear Device Modeling

- **Physical Models**

- Electrical behavior from basic parameters (dimensions and material characteristics).
- PDEs and carrier transport physics in semiconductors.
- Not used much for circuit design.

- **Equivalent Circuit Models**

- Linear and nonlinear circuit elements in a configuration that emulates the device.
- Circuit elements often associated with the physical structure of the device.
- Most widely used approach.

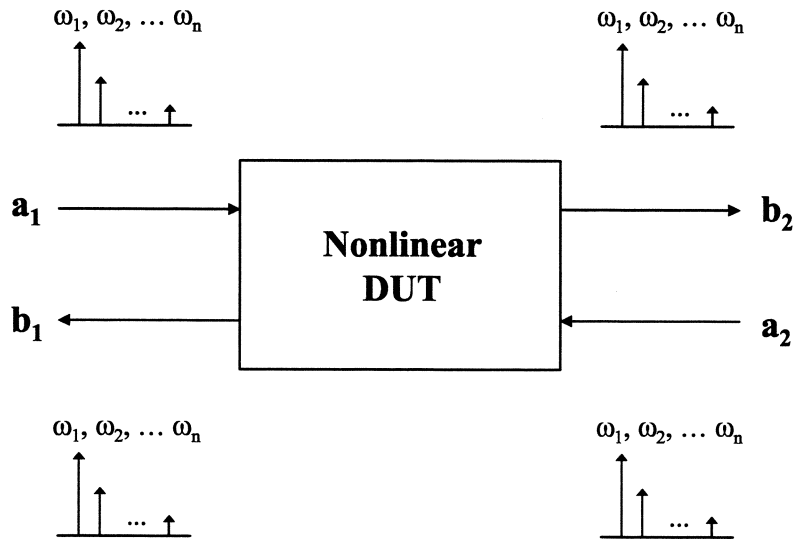


## Newer Approach to Nonlinear Device Modeling

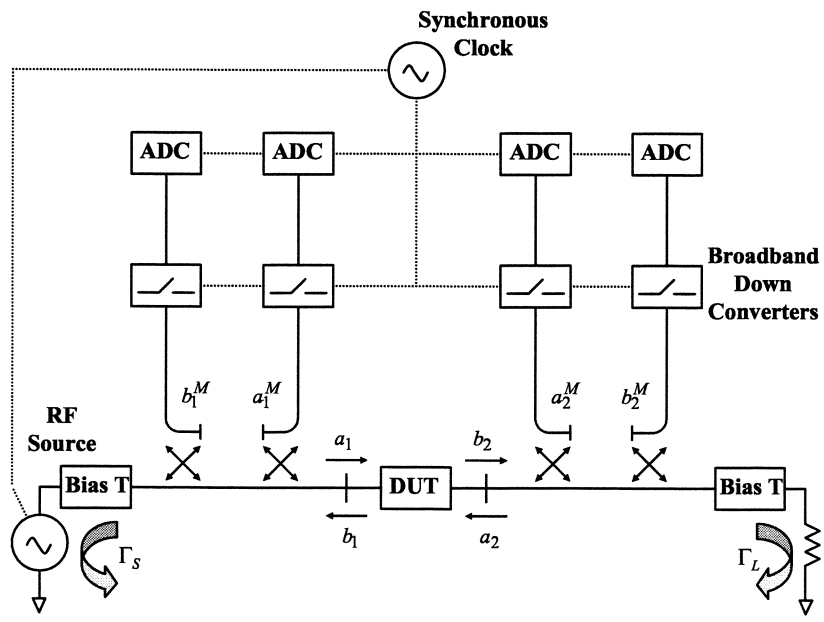
- **Measurement-Based Frequency Domain Models**

- Instrumentation (NVNA's) now available for accurate nonlinear RF characterization.
- Device physics not needed for model derivation.
- Neural network modeling appropriate.
- "Traceable" models.
- Especially useful when de-embedding is difficult, components have distributed characteristics, and with new less-understood technology.

### Power-Normalized Waves at the Ports of a Nonlinear Device



### Block Diagram of a Nonlinear Vector Network Analyzer



## Highlights of NVNAs

- Ability to measure a nonlinear device in realistic large-signal operating conditions.
- Allow accurate measurements of amplitude and phase of the spectral components of incident and reflected voltage waves at the ports of a nonlinear device.

## Nonlinear Large-Signal $\mathcal{S}$ -Parameters

Two-port network with a single-tone excitation.

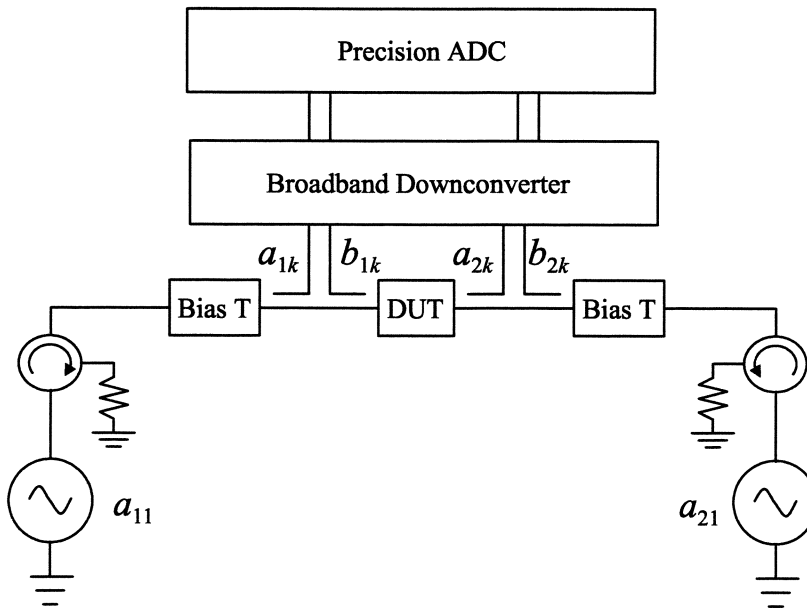
Input reflection coefficient:

$$\mathcal{S}_{11k1} = \frac{|b_{1k}| \angle(\phi_{b_{1k}} - k\phi_{a_{11}})}{|a_{11}|} \Big|_{a_{mn} = 0 \text{ for } \forall m \forall n [(m \neq 1) \wedge (n \neq 1)]}$$

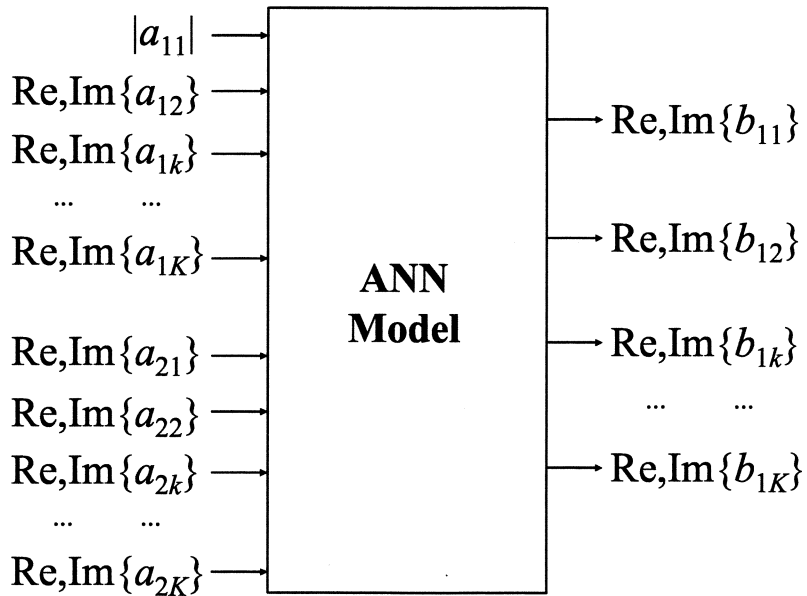
Forward transmission coefficient:

$$\mathcal{S}_{21k1} = \frac{|b_{2k}| \angle(\phi_{b_{2k}} - k\phi_{a_{11}})}{|a_{11}|} \Big|_{a_{mn} = 0 \text{ for } \forall m \forall n [(m \neq 1) \wedge (n \neq 1)]}$$

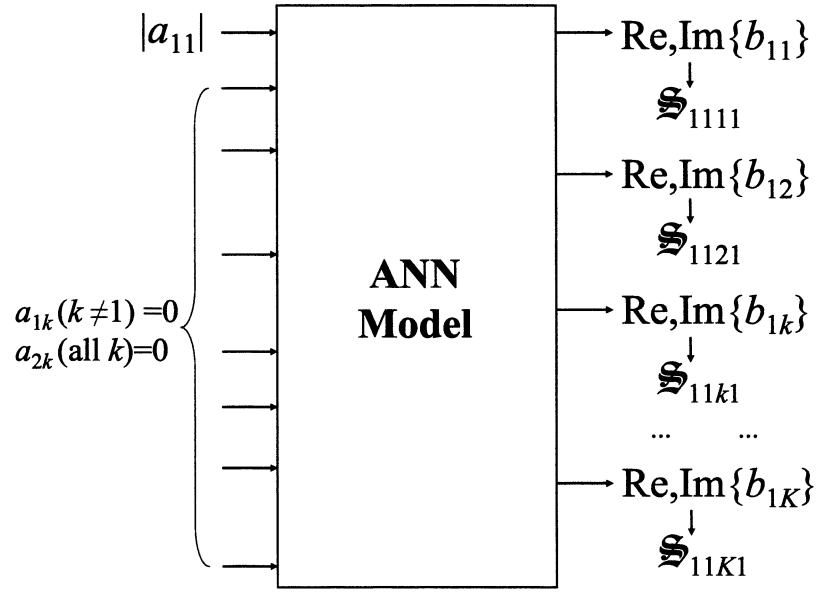
### NVNA with Two Sources



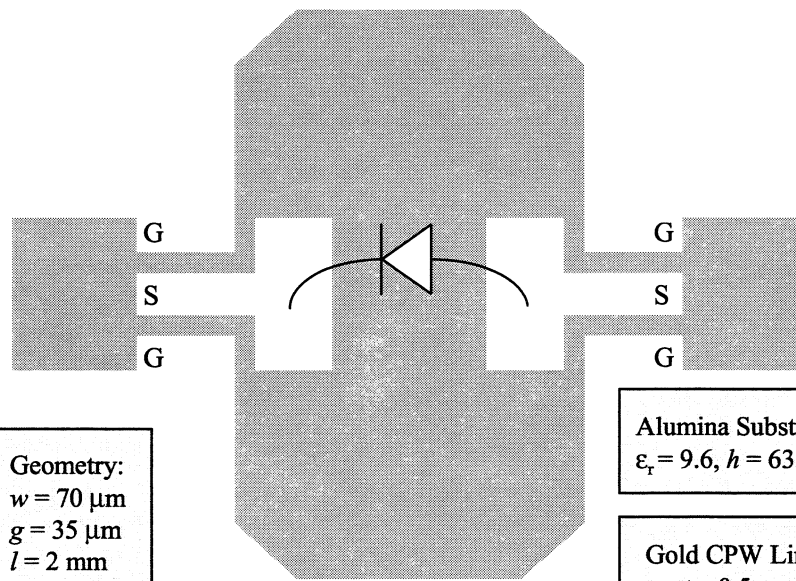
### Inputs & Outputs for Training ANN Model



### Inputs & Outputs for Obtaining $S_{11k1}$

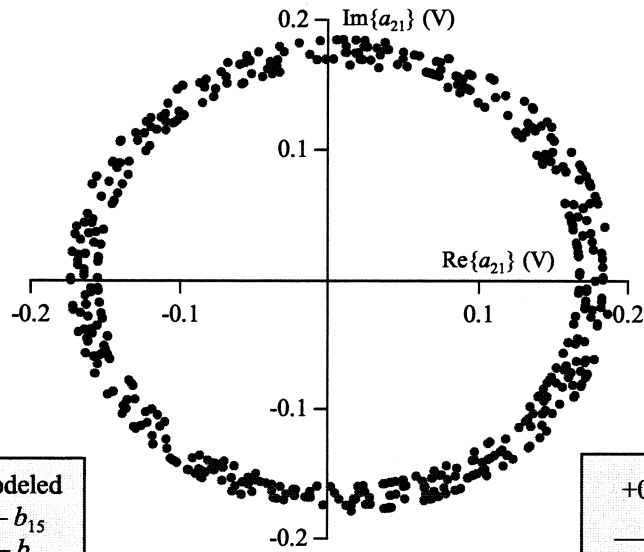


### Schottky Diode in Series Configuration in CPW



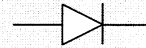


### 500 Measurements of $a_{21}$ Using 2 Sources

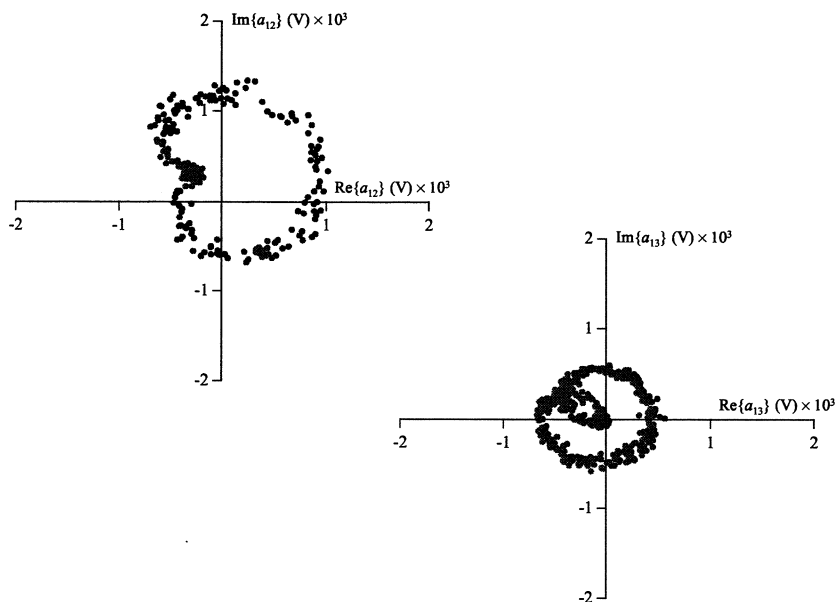


ANN Modeled  
for  $b_{11} - b_{15}$   
and  $b_{21} - b_{25}$

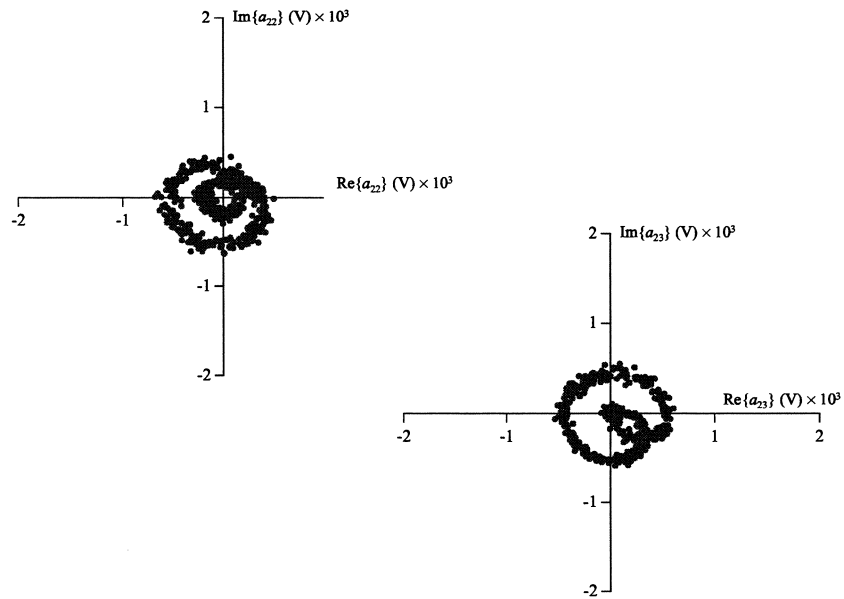
+0.2 V bias



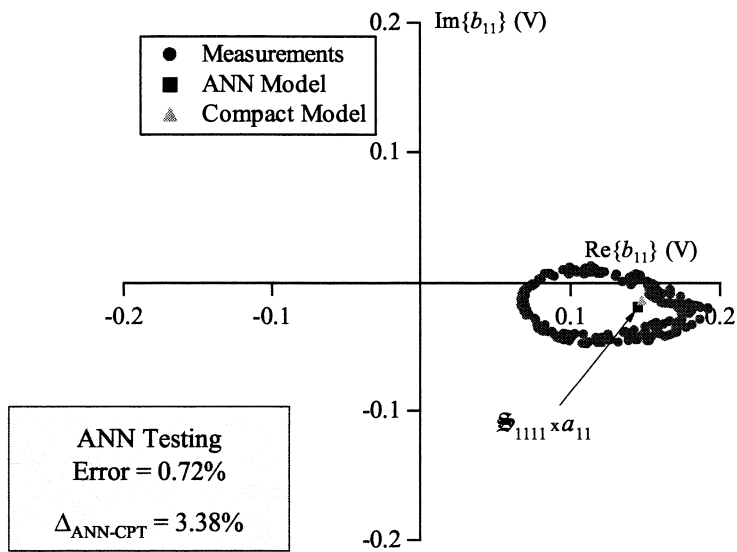
### 500 Measurements of $a_{12}$ and $a_{13}$ Using 2 Sources



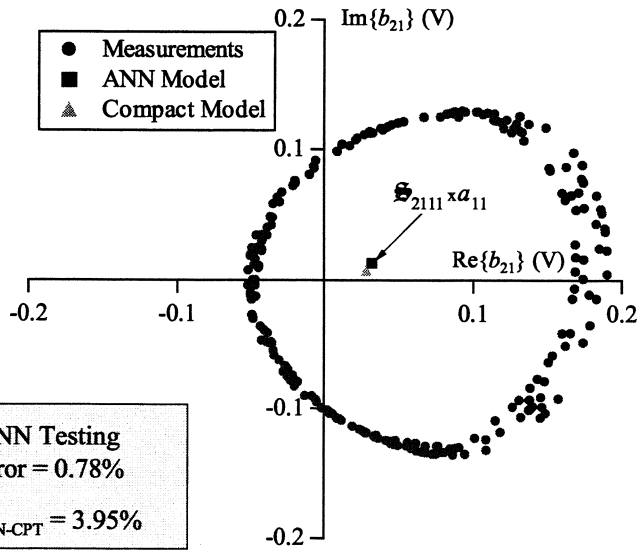
### 500 Measurements of $a_{22}$ and $a_{23}$ Using 2 Sources



### Determining $\mathcal{S}_{1111}$



### Determining $S_{2111}$

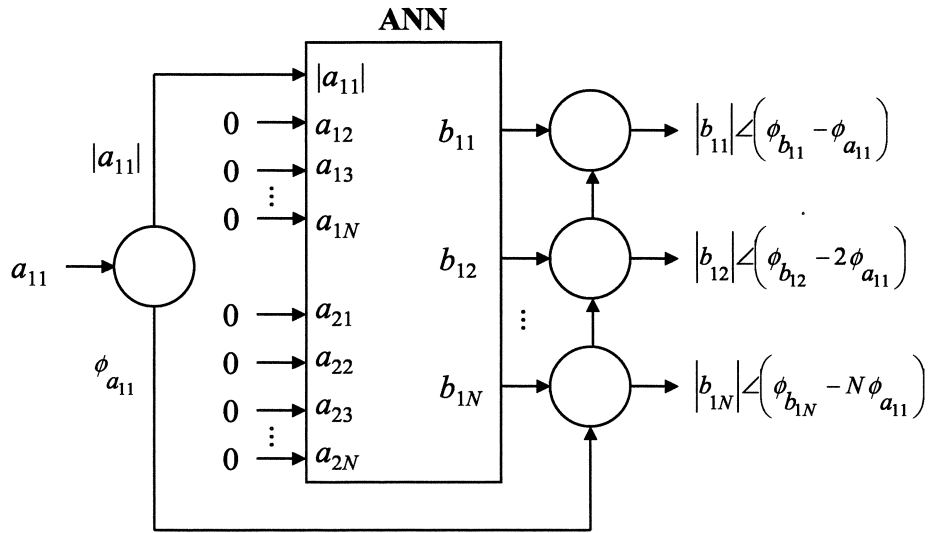


### Determining $S_{11k1}$ and $S_{21k1}$

Qty.	Diff. (%)	Diff. (dBV)
$S_{1111}$	3.38	-44.5
$S_{1121}$	1.23	-53.3
$S_{1131}$	3.29	-44.8
$S_{1141}$	0.40	-63.1
$S_{1151}$	1.67	-50.6
$S_{2111}$	3.95	-43.2
$S_{2121}$	7.15	-38.0
$S_{2131}$	5.93	-39.6
$S_{2141}$	0.72	-57.9
$S_{2151}$	0.85	-56.5

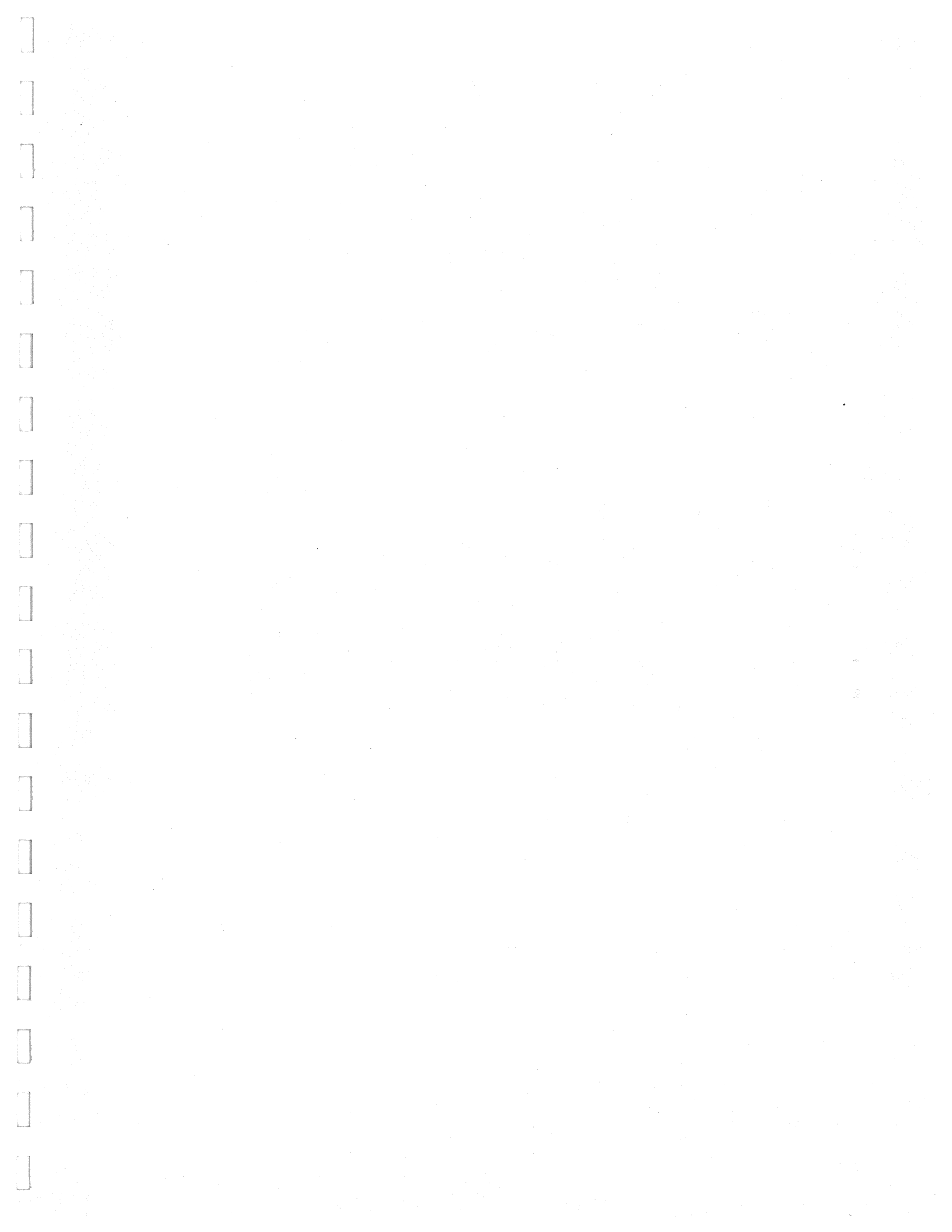
Compact model in commercial CAD software is close to the measurement-based results.

### Using ANN Models When the Phase of $a_{11} \neq 0$



### Applications of Nonlinear Large-Signal $\mathfrak{S}$ -Parameters

- Values of  $\mathfrak{S}_{11k1}$  and  $\mathfrak{S}_{21k1}$  may be obtained for chosen dc bias and drive levels ( $a_{11}$ ).
- Source impedance required for conjugate match (maximum power transfer) at the excitation frequency may be directly obtained from  $\mathfrak{S}_{1111}$  at the large-signal operating point.
- Neural networks may be trained for yielding  $\mathfrak{S}_{11k1}$  and  $\mathfrak{S}_{21k1}$  as a function of bias level and excitation amplitude over a pre-selected range of parameters.
- Similarly the quasi-linear  $\mathfrak{S}_{2211}$  is useful for selecting the optimum load impedance for output at the fundamental frequency in a power amplifier.
- Values of  $\mathfrak{S}_{ijk1}$  may also be obtained not only for a specified input power level ( $a_{11}$ ) but also for specified terminations at various harmonics ( $a_{2k}/b_{2k}$ ).







*New directions in addressing complexity of high-speed circuits and interconnects*

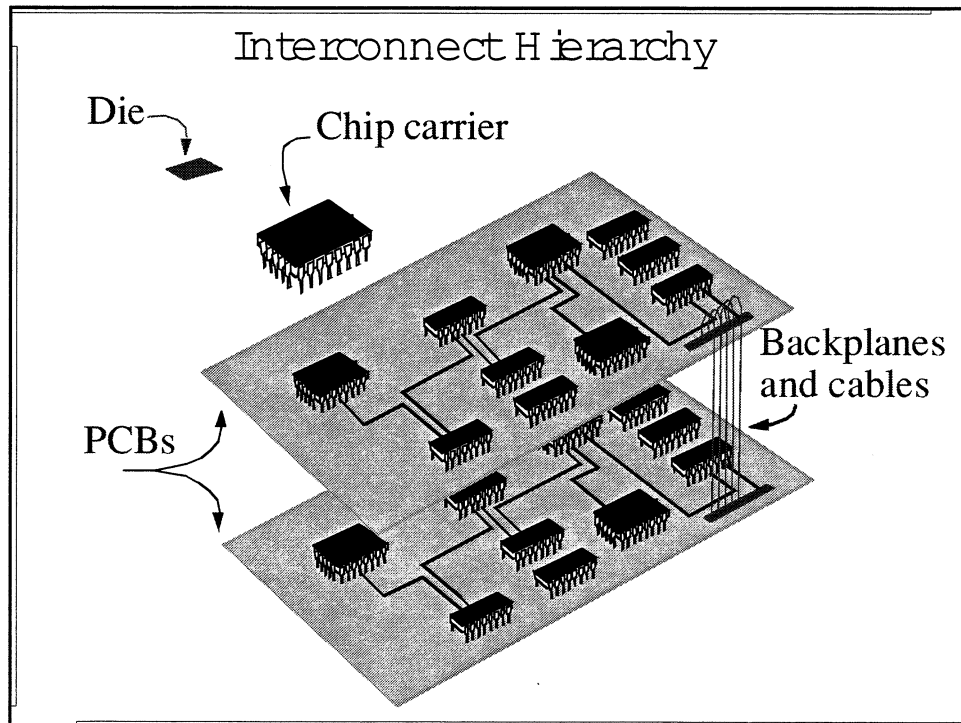
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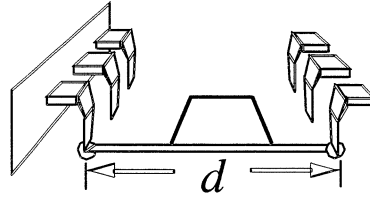
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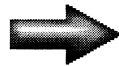
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## High-Speed Interconnect Effects

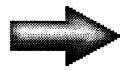


Interconnect length becomes comparable to the Wavelength



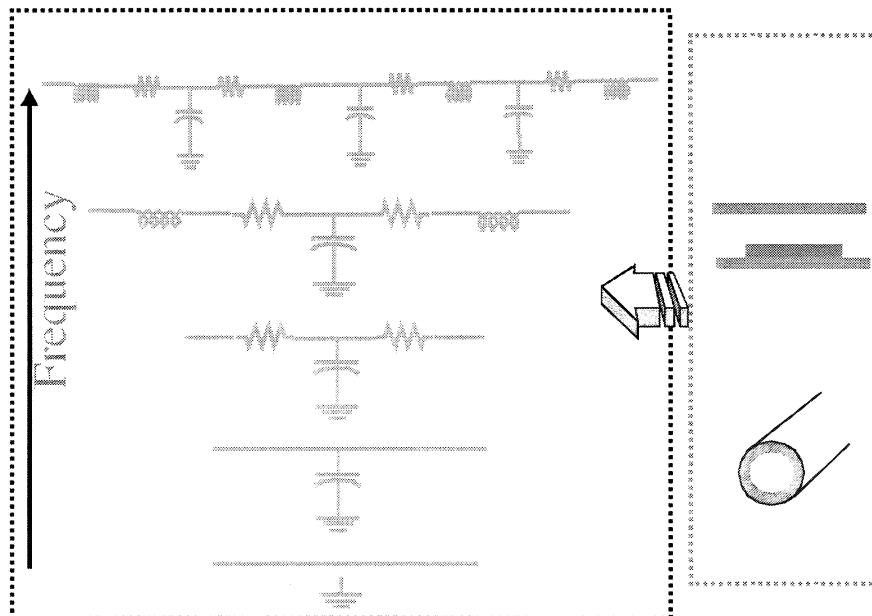
$$\lambda = \frac{v}{f} \approx d$$

Sharper pulses contain higher frequency harmonics

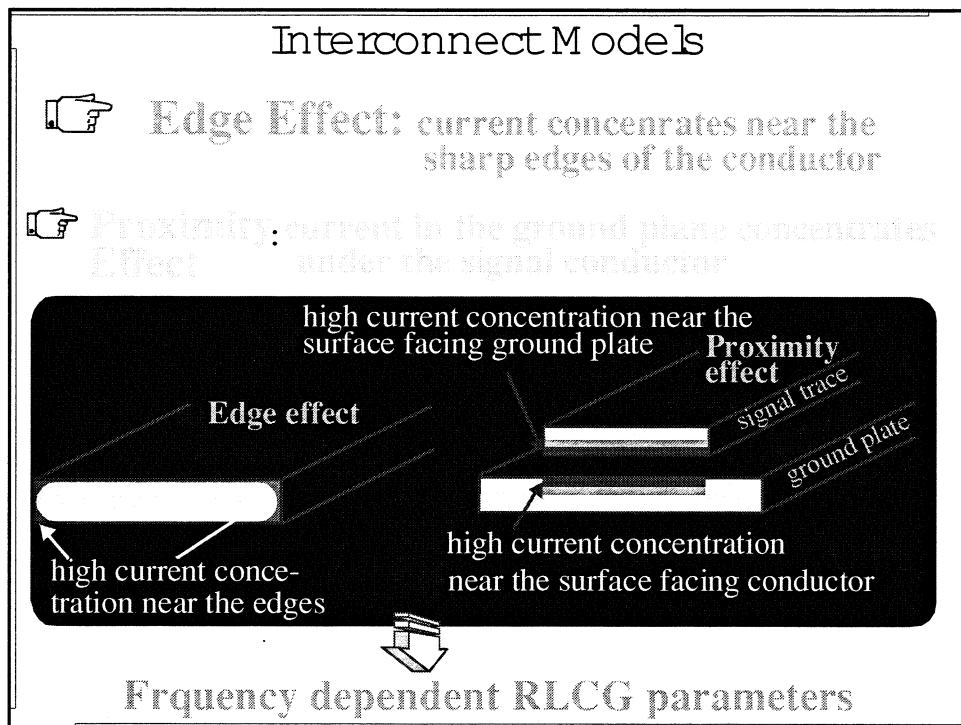
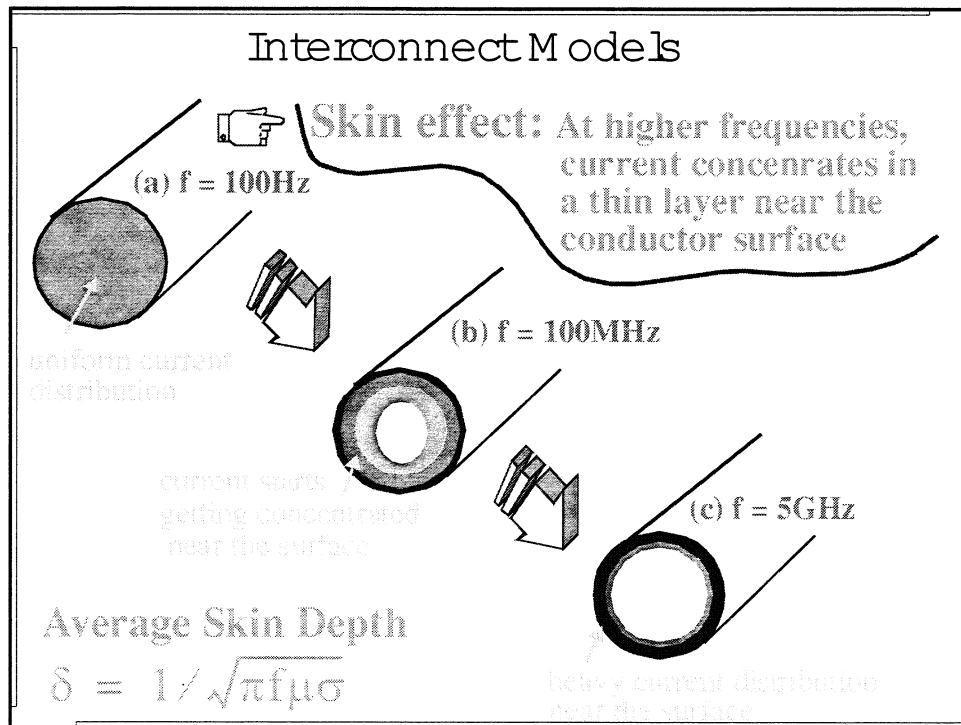


$$f_{\max} = \frac{0.35}{t_r}$$

## Interconnect Models

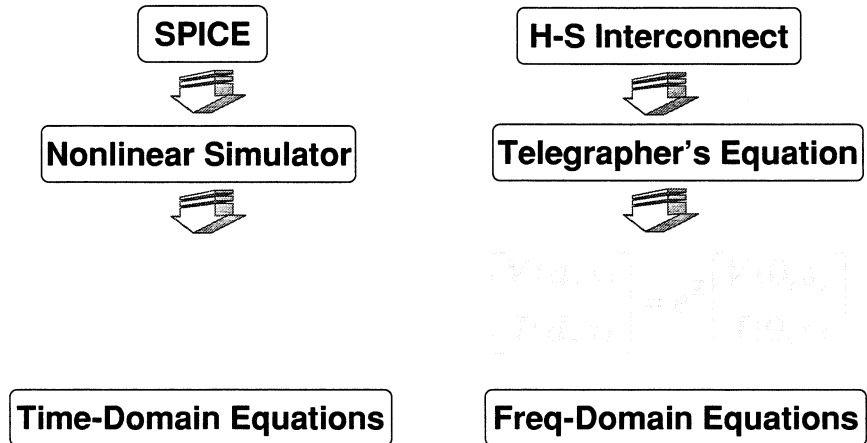






## Analysis Difficulties

### ➤ Mixed Frequency/Time Problem



## MACROMODELLING

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} V(z,t) = -R I(z,t) - L \frac{\partial}{\partial t} I(z,t)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} I(z,t) = -G V(z,t) - C \frac{\partial}{\partial t} V(z,t)$$

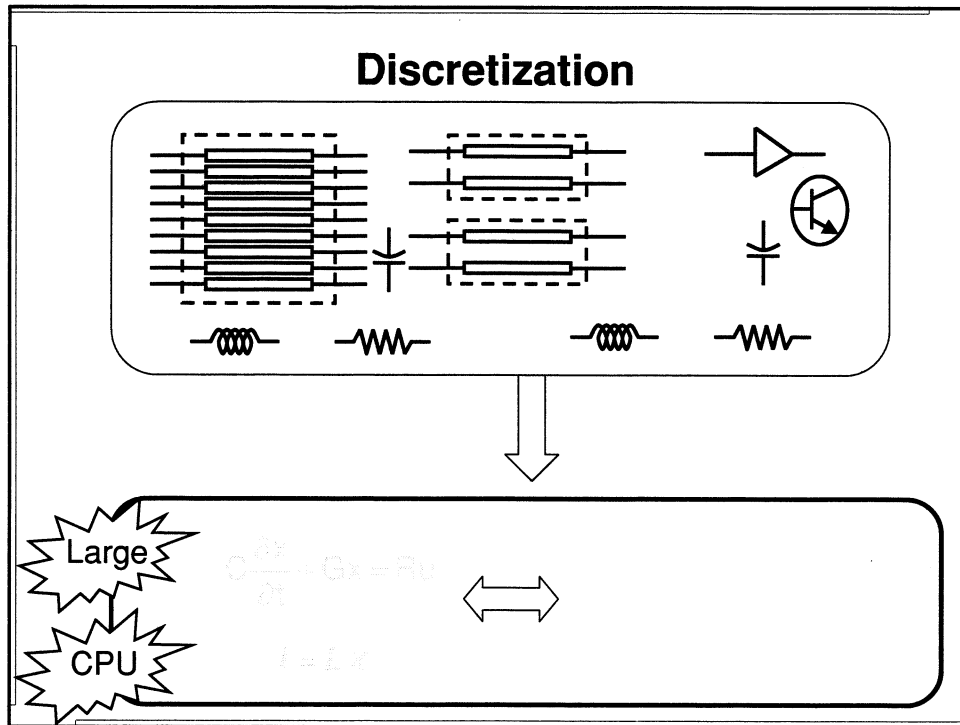
### Macromodeling

Circuit  
Simulators

$$\frac{d}{dt} x = Ax + Bu$$

$$y = Cx$$





*Solution is based on two concepts:*

- 1) Macromodelling*
- 2) Circuit Reduction*

## MACROMODELLING ISSUES

1) Accuracy/Efficiency

2) Stability

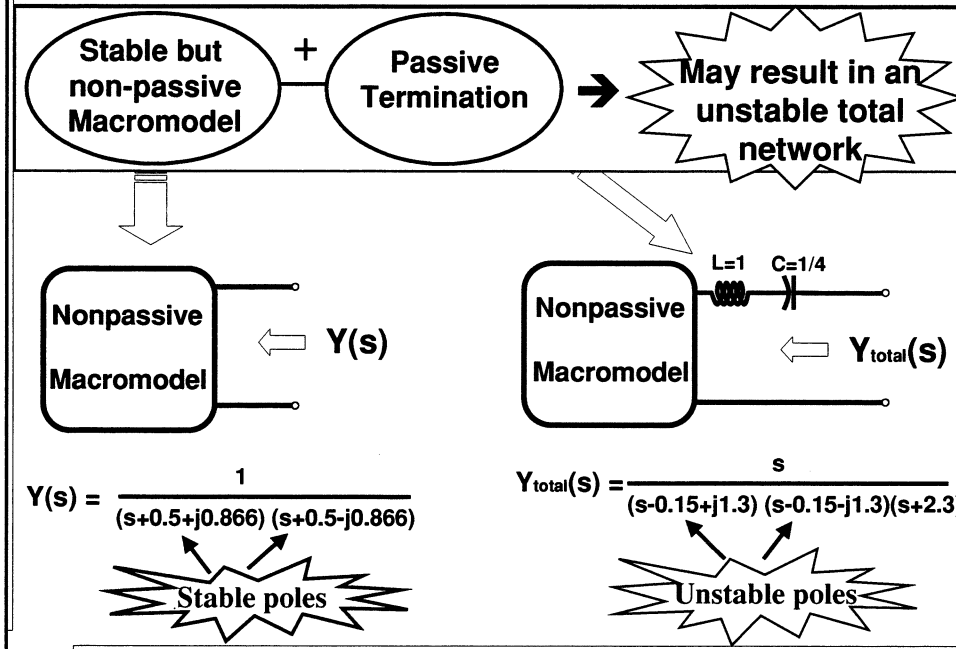
3) Passivity

### Importance of Passivity

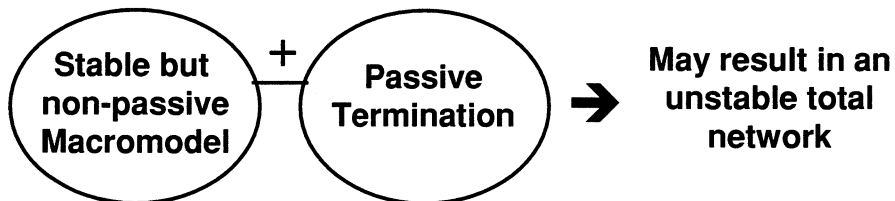
➤ Passivity vs Stability



## Significance of Passivity



## Importance of Passivity



- Error: Failure to Converge
- Error: Time Step Too Small – Abort
- Error: Unstable Network

## Passivity Conditions



$Y(s)$  is passive iff: 1)



2)

$\text{Re}(s) > 0$

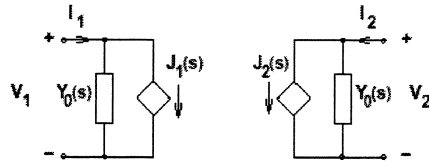
$Y(s)$  is a positive real matrix

## Possible Approaches

**1) MoC based Algorithms**

**2) Rational Approximations**

### Equivalent Circuit : Lossless Line



Basic equivalent circuit for the method of characteristics (MoC) model

$$\Gamma = s\sqrt{LC} \quad Y_0 = \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &= -e^{-d\Gamma} [Y_0 V_2 + I_2] & \Rightarrow & \quad J_1(t) = -Y_0 v_2(t-\tau) - i_2(t-\tau) \\ J_2 &= -e^{-d\Gamma} [Y_0 V_1 + I_1] & & \quad J_2(t) = -Y_0 v_1(t-\tau) - i_1(t-\tau) \end{aligned}$$

Lossless

$\Gamma \longrightarrow$  Delayed sources

### Delay Extraction (Lossy Lines)

Lossless

$$\Gamma = s\sqrt{LC} \quad Y_0 = \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}$$

Lossy

$$\begin{aligned} Y_0 &= \sqrt{\frac{G+sC}{R+sL}} \\ \Gamma(s) &= \sqrt{(G+sC)(R+sL)} \end{aligned}$$

$$J_1 = -e^{-d\Gamma} [Y_0 V_2 + I_2]$$

$$J_2 = -e^{-d\Gamma} [Y_0 V_1 + I_1]$$

$$e^{-d\Gamma(s)} = e^{-ds\sqrt{LC}} P(s)$$

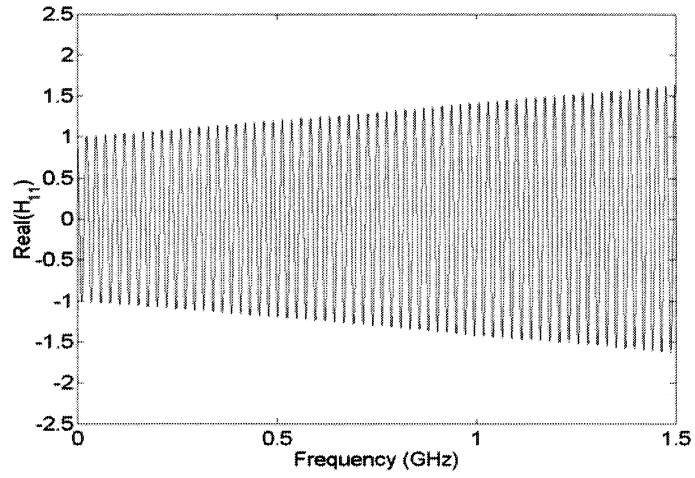
$$P(s) = e^{s\Gamma} [e^{-d\Gamma(s)}]$$

#### Approximation Problems

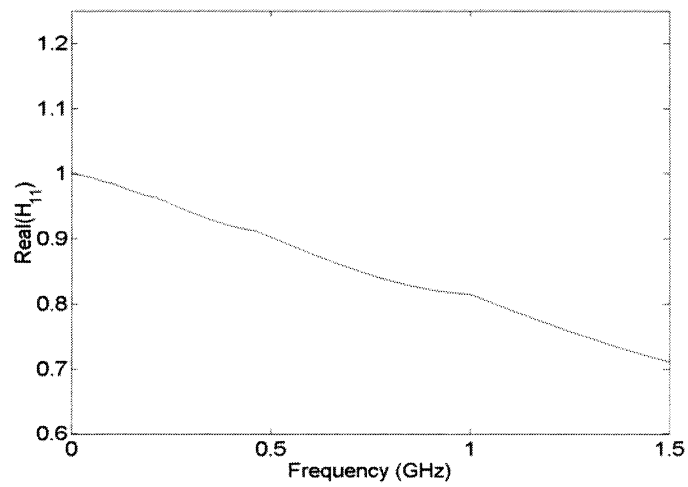
$$Y_0, P(s) \approx \frac{\Phi(s)}{\Psi(s)}$$

# Why?

## Without Delay Extraction



## With Delay Extraction





## ***MoC based Algorithms***

***→ Delay Extraction + Rational Approximation***

***→ Efficient for Long Low Loss Lines***

### **Difficulties**

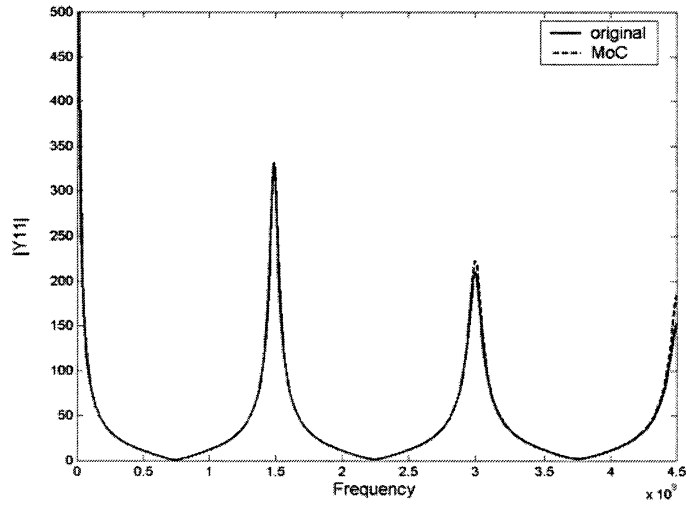
**1) Coupled Lines: Curve Fitting**

**n Lines →  $(2n^2 + n)$  Tr. functions**

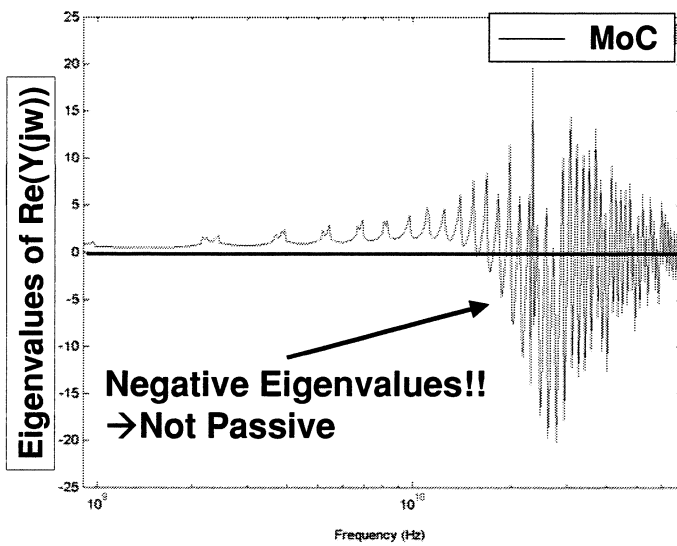
**Eg. 10 Lines → 210 Tr. functions**

**2) Does not Guarantee Passivity**

## MoC - Accurate fit



## MoC - Passivity Check



## ***Possible Approaches***

***1) MoC based Algorithms***



***2) Rational Approximations***



**MRA (Matrix Rational Approximation)**

## ***MRA: Matrix Rational Approximation***

**Concept:**

## ***MRA: Matrix Rational Approximation***

Telegrapher's Equations



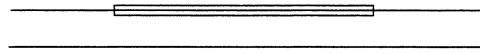
$e^{-\gamma z}$



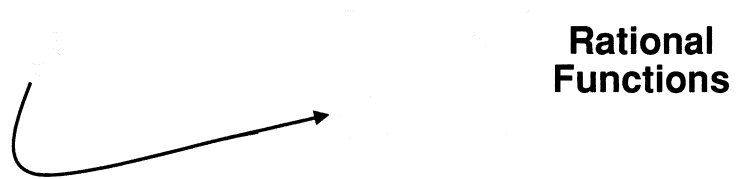
$\{R(z)/Q(z)\}$

## ***MRA Algorithm***

$V(0)$   
 $I(0)$



$V(d)$   
 $I(d)$



**1) Closed-Form**

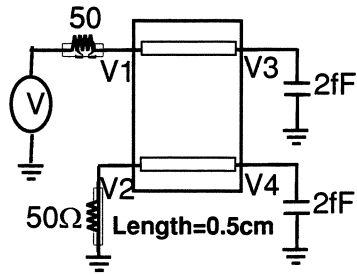
→ Large Number of Coupled Lines

**2) Passivity is guaranteed**



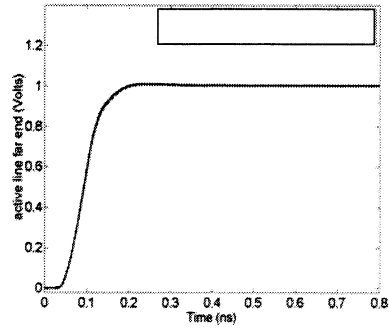
1. A. Dounavis, R. Achar and M. Nakhla, T-MTT, Oct. 2001

## On-Chip Interconnect



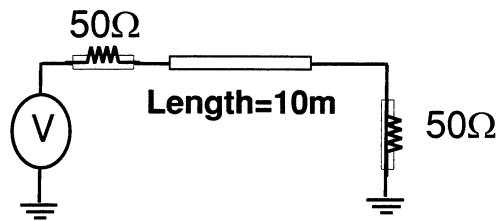
CPU Time: MRA vs MoC

Speed-up Ratio  
10.9x

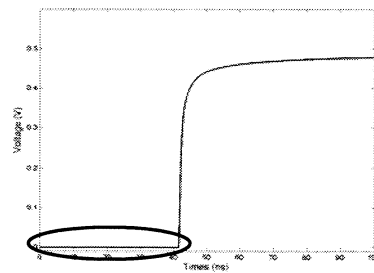


## How About Long Low-Loss Lines???

(Low Loss TL)\*



MoC	MRA
Time (s)	Time (s)
4	463



\*Ruehli, Cangelaris and Huang, *Proc. EPEP-2002*

## ***Delay Extraction: Major Challenge***

$$e^Z = e^{A+sB} \neq e^A e^{sB}$$

**Lossy**      **Lossless  
(delay line)**

## ***Proposed Delay Extraction***

***Special Case: Lie Product<sup>1</sup>***

***Proposed Delay Extraction***

***Modified Lie Product***

$$\text{error} \in O\left(\frac{1}{m^2}\right)$$

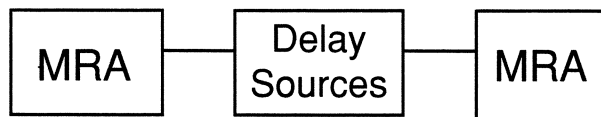
***Proposed Delay Extraction***

***Modified Lie Product - 1***

lossy

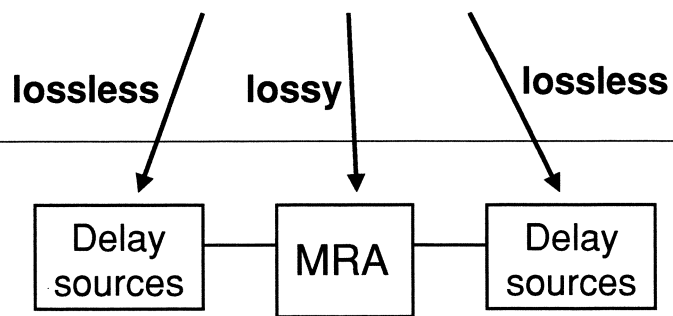
lossless

lossy

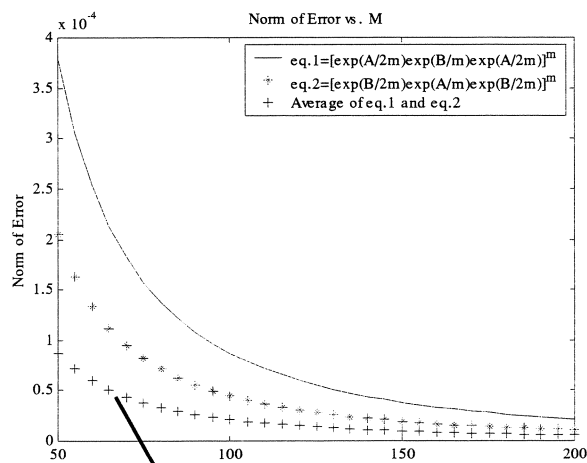


## Proposed Delay Extraction

### Modified Lie Product - 2



## Error Estimates



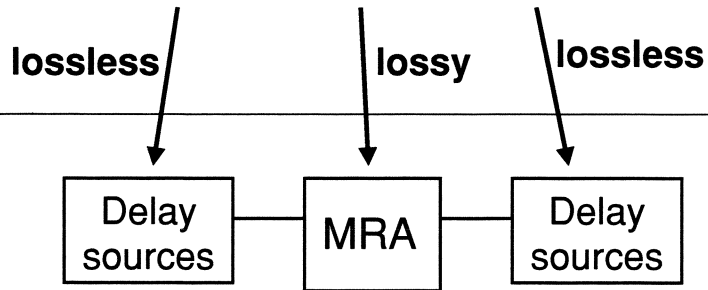
Average of Modified Lie Formula 1 and 2



## Frequency Dependent Parameters

### Modified Lie Product - 2

$$B_{\text{MLP}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -C & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



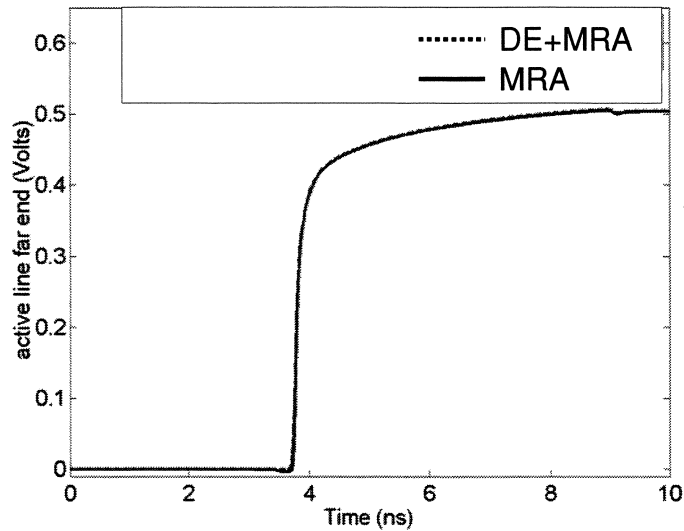
### Example: Long Cable

Line	DE+MRA	MRA	Lumped
	time (s)	time (s)	time (s)
10m	4	463	1272

Computer: SUN Blade-1000 workstation with 900MHz UltraSPARC-III CPU.

*Dounavis, N. Nakhla, Achar, M. Nakhla, Proc. EPEP-2003*

### Line 6 (40cm)



Simulation	DE+MRA	MRA	Lumped
	time (s)	time (s)	time (s)
5cm	0.89	4.16	32.4
20cm	2.47	25	292
40cm	4.32	74	4641

Computer: SUN Blade-1000 workstation with 900MHz Ultra SPARC-III CPU.

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## **SUMMARY**

- **HS Interconnect Issues**

- Mixed F/T**

- Complexity**

- **Possible Solutions**

- Macromodelling**

- Circuit Reduction**

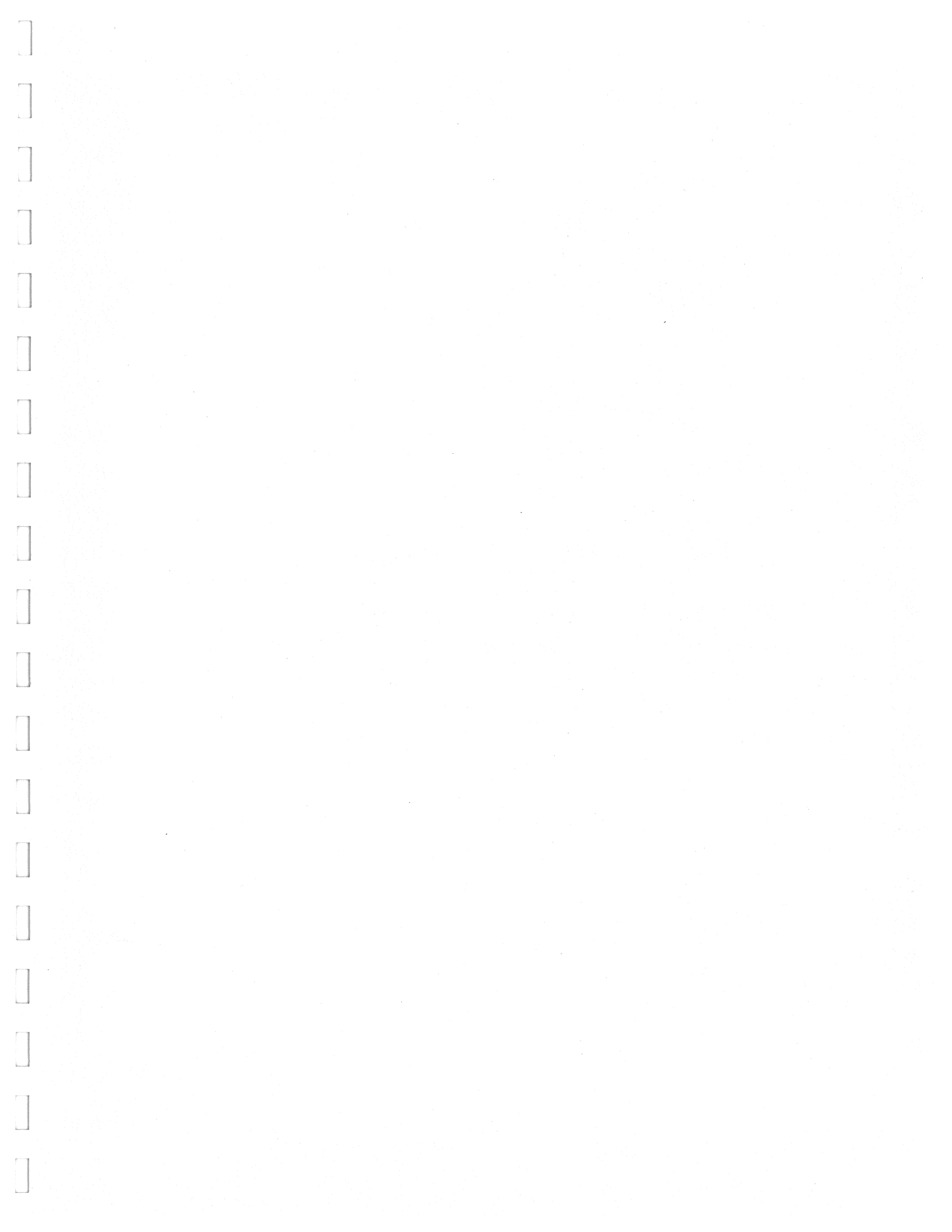
- **Macromodelling**

- Accuracy/Order**

- Stability**

- Passivity**







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**Accurate and Efficient Analysis  
of Large Spiral Inductors with  
Thick Metal and Narrow Gaps  
Using Space Mapping**



**James C. Rautio  
Sonnet Software**

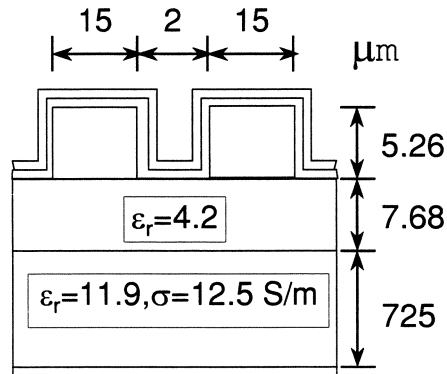
## **Introduction**

- Increasing spiral inductor  $Q$  is critical.
  - Use circular spiral geometries.
  - Use very thick metal.
  - Make conductors as wide as possible and gaps as narrow as possible.
- This is a worst case nightmare for EM analysis!

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# The Problem

- Gap = 2 microns.
- Thickness = 5.26 microns.
- Gap coupling significant at high frequency.
- Thin conformal passivation is non-planar.



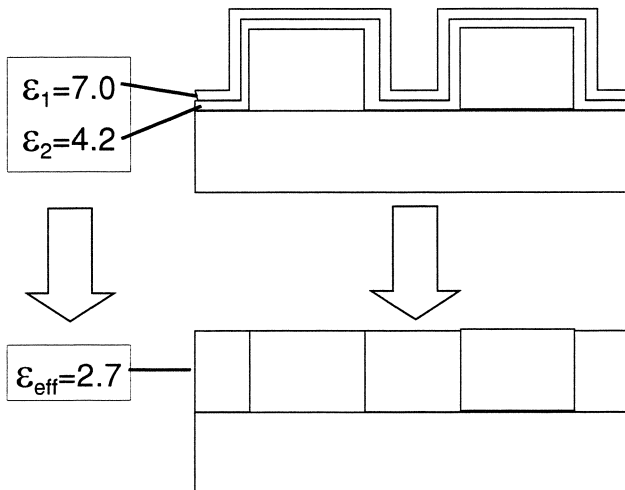
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# Passivation Model

- $\epsilon_{\text{eff}}$  chosen so same cap. between lines.

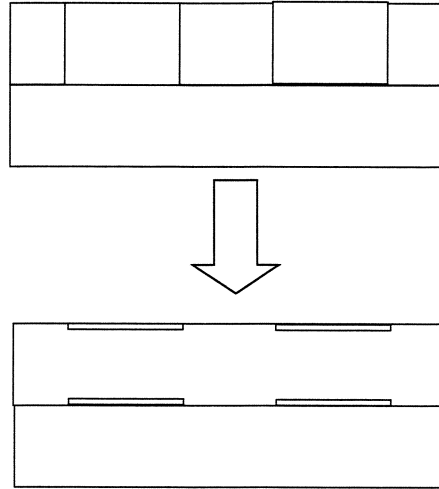


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## Two-Sheet Model

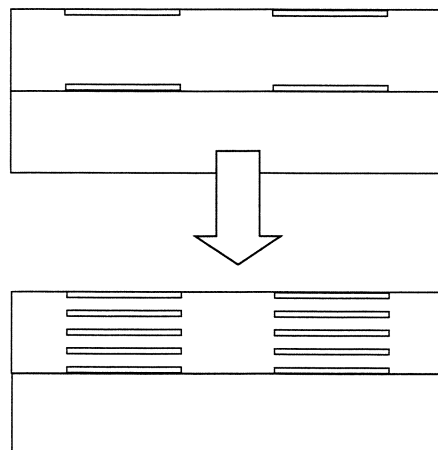
- Two thin sheets to model thick metal.
- OK if gap  $\approx$  thickness.
- Need more sheets for this one.



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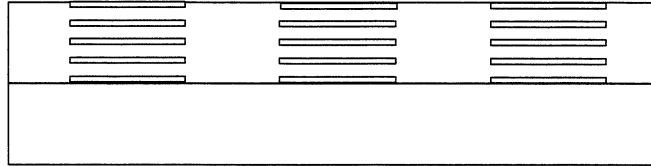
## N-Sheet Model

- As  $N$  increases, result converges.
- Can only use for small structures.
- Would rather use 2-sheet model, much faster.



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## N-Sheet Convergence



- Check convergence for simple structure: CPW through line.
- Calculate L and C per unit length as N increases.

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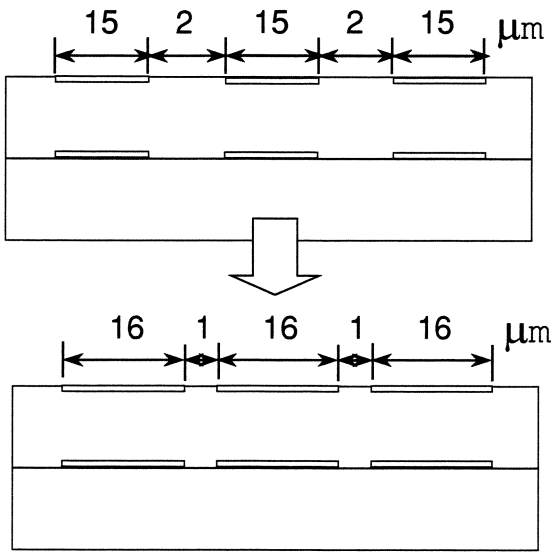
## N-Sheet Convergence

- 2-sheet model has:
  - 48 nH/m too much L.
  - 56 pF/m too little C.
- Let's modify the 2-sheet model!

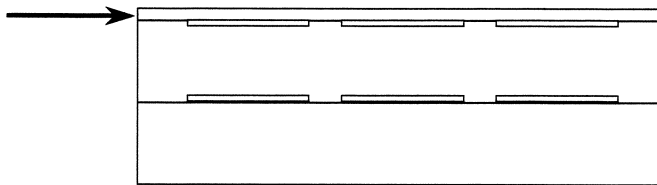
N	L (nH/m)	C (pF/m)
1	296	133
2	188	165
3	168	184
5	154	201
9	146	211
17	143	216
$\infty$	140	221

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## Modified 2-Sheet Model

- Wider line = less L/m
  - Narrower gap = more C/m.
  - But more is needed.
- 
- The diagram illustrates a transition from a standard 2-sheet model to a modified version. The top model shows a pattern with wider lines (15  $\mu\text{m}$ ) and narrower gaps (2  $\mu\text{m}$ ). The bottom model shows a pattern with narrower lines (16  $\mu\text{m}$ ) and wider gaps (1  $\mu\text{m}$ ). A downward arrow indicates the transition from the top model to the bottom model.

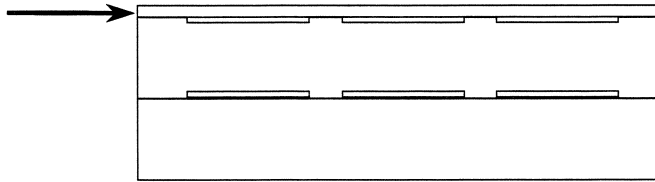
## Space Mapping Layer



- Add very thin “space mapping layer” on top.
- Adjust  $\epsilon_r$  and  $\mu_r$  until we get right C/m and L/m.x

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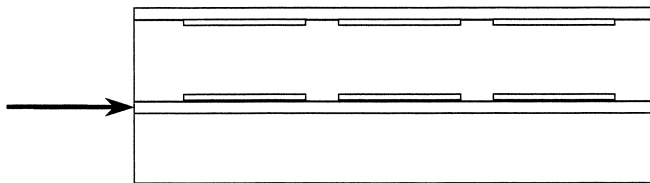
## Space Mapping Layer



- Arbitrarily set thickness to 0.1 micron.
- Keep increasing  $\epsilon_r$  until desired C/m seen  
→  $\epsilon_r = 10$ .
- Keep decreasing  $\mu_r$  until desired L/m seen  
→  $\mu_r = 0.25$ .

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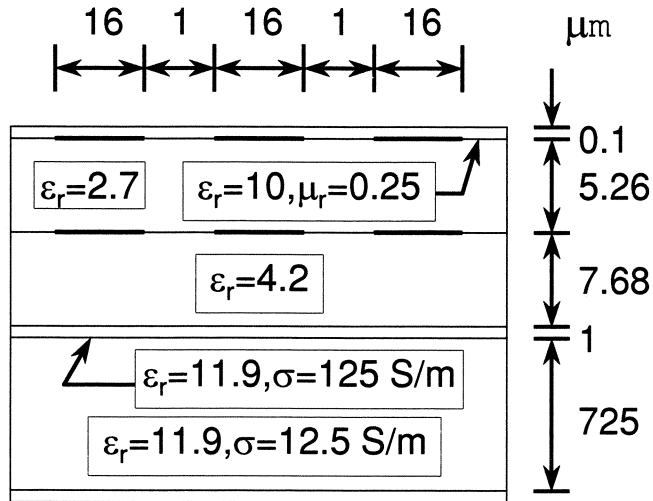
## Surprise Problem



- In course of work, discovered that there was a 1 micron boron implant in surface of silicon.
- 10X higher conductivity.
- Important at higher frequencies.

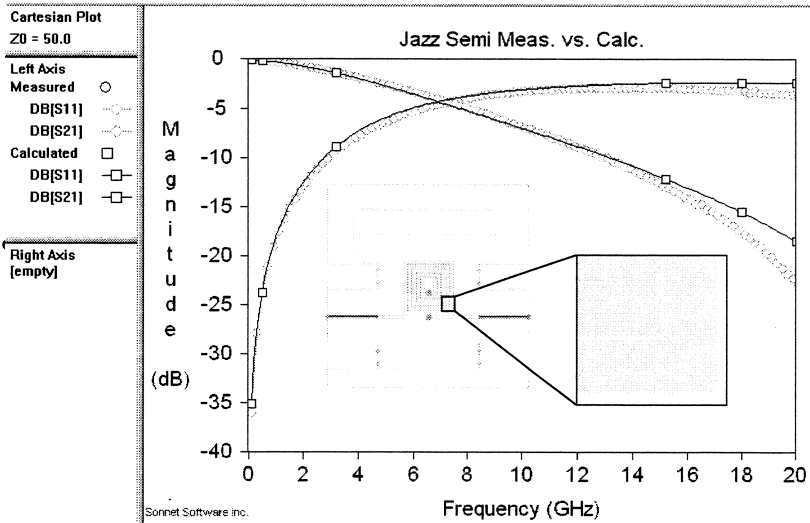
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# Complete Model



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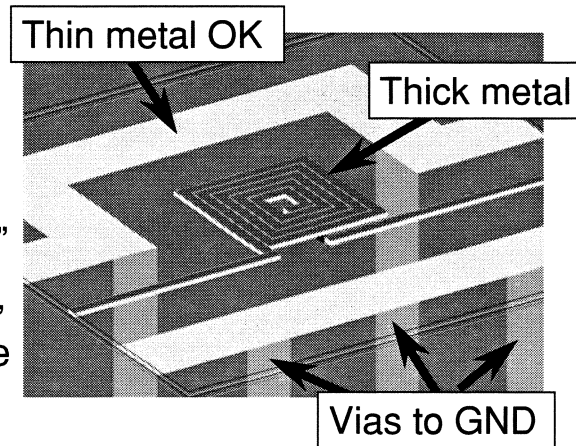
# Meas. Vs. Calculated



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## Additional Considerations

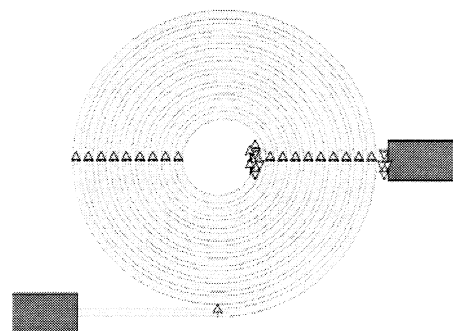
- Path of ground return current is important.
- If “Ground Cage” in measurement, be sure it’s in the analysis.
- If ground strips are connected to substrate ground with vias, then include vias in analysis.



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## 8.25-Turn Circ. Spiral

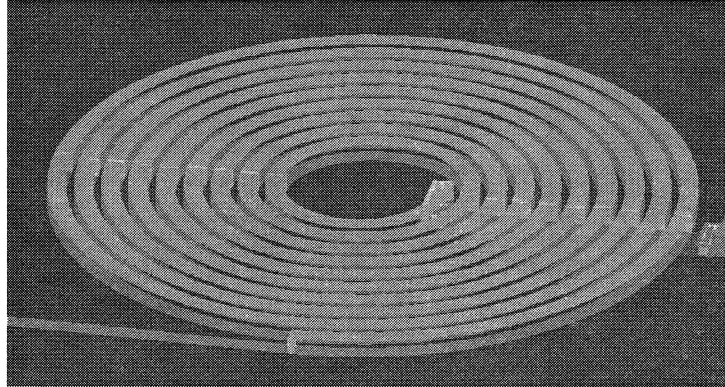
- Important to include natural high edge current.
  - Affects Q and inductance.
- Requires narrow subsections along all edges.
- Very difficult to do for long smooth curves.



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## 2-Sheet Model + Conformal Meshing

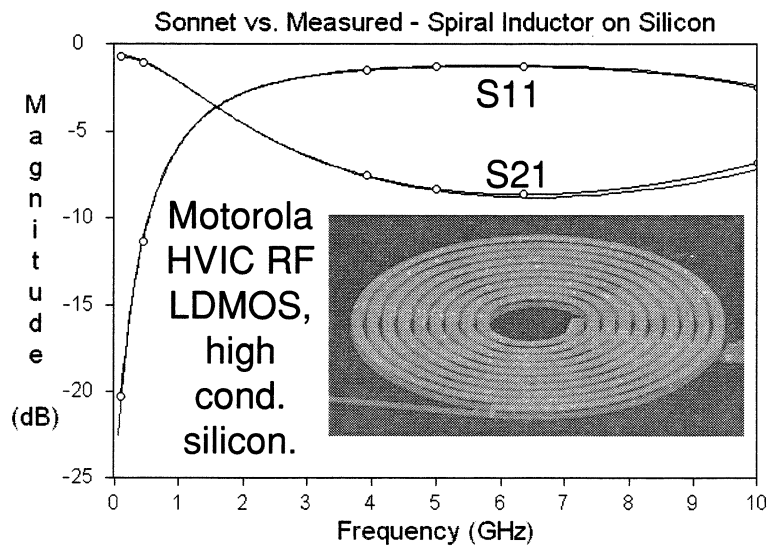


Z-axis expanded.

- Gap about equal to thickness.
- Unmodified 2-sheet model OK.

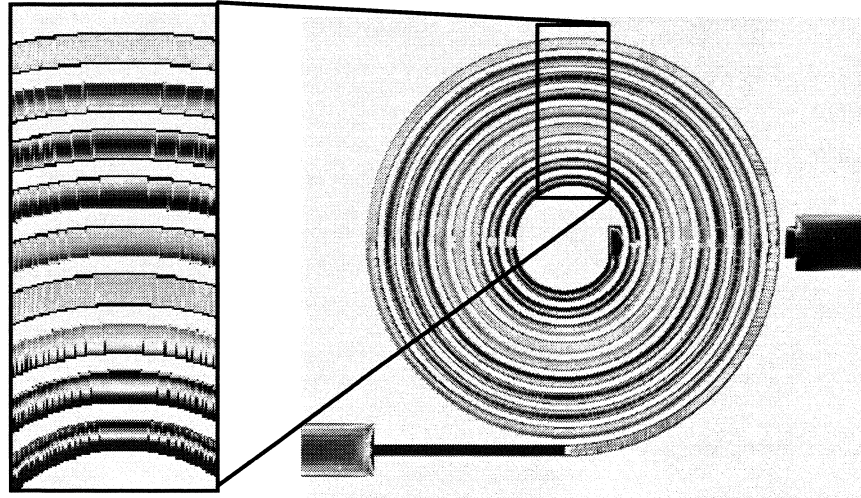
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## Meas. Vs. Calculated



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## Current Distribution



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## Conclusion

- Thick metal + narrow gap difficult for EM analysis.
- If gap and thickness about the same, just use 2-sheet model.
- If gap much less than thickness, use N-sheet, or modified 2-sheet.
- For circular spirals, use conformal meshing.

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### Abstract

Inverse space mapping algorithms for designing with accurate but computationally expensive simulators are described and contrasted in this presentation.

Neural Inverse Space Mapping (NISM) optimization was the first space mapping algorithm that explicitly made use of the inverse of the mapping from the fine to the coarse model parameter spaces. NISM follows an aggressive formulation by not requiring a number of up-front fine model evaluations to start building the mapping. A statistical procedure to parameter extraction (PE) is employed in NISM to avoid the need for multipoint matching and frequency mappings. An artificial neural network (ANN) whose generalization performance is controlled through a network growing strategy approximates the inverse mapping at each iteration. The ANN starts from a 2-layer perceptron and automatically migrates to a 3-layer perceptron when the amount of nonlinearity found in the inverse mapping becomes significant. The NISM step consists of evaluating the current neural network at the optimal coarse model solution.

Linear Inverse Space Mapping (LISM) follows a piece-wise linear formulation to implement the inverse of the mapping, avoiding the use of neural networks. LISM approximates the inverse of the mapping function at each iteration by linearly interpolating the last  $n + 1$  pairs of coarse and fine model design parameters, where  $n$  is the number of optimization variables. The same statistical procedure to PE is used in LISM as in NISM. LISM also follows an aggressive formulation in the sense of not requiring up-front fine model evaluations. LISM has been applied to design linear circuits in the frequency domain and nonlinear circuits in the time domain transient-state.

A rigorous comparison between Broyden-based direct space mapping, neural (NISM) and linear (LISM) inverse space mapping is realized using a synthetic example. Two industrially relevant microwave design problems are efficiently solved using inverse space mapping techniques.

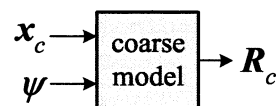
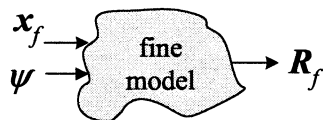
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## Outline

- “Direct” space mapping
- Broyden-based direct space mapping
- Inverse space mapping: linear and neural
- A comparison between Broyden, LISM and NISM
- Examples using LISM and NISM
- Conclusions

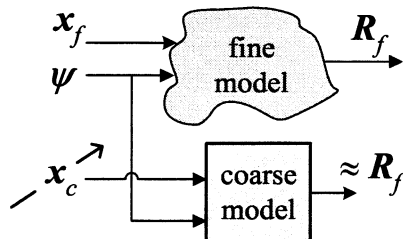


## Direct Space Mapping for Design



$$\mathbf{x}_c^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}_c} U(\mathbf{R}_c(\mathbf{x}_c, \psi))$$

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_f) = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f) - \mathbf{x}_c^*$$



A SM solution  $\mathbf{x}_f^{SM}$   
 is found when

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_f^{SM}) \approx \mathbf{0}$$

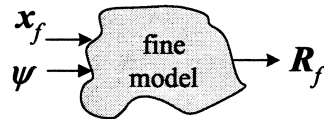
$$\mathbf{R}_f(\mathbf{x}_f^{SM}) \approx \mathbf{R}_c(\mathbf{x}_c^*)$$

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}_c} \|\mathbf{R}_f(\mathbf{x}_f, \psi) - \mathbf{R}_c(\mathbf{x}_c, \psi)\|_2^2$$



## The Fine Model Solution

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$$\mathbf{x}_f^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}_f} U(\mathbf{R}_f(\mathbf{x}_f, \psi))$$

When solving

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_f) = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f) - \mathbf{x}_c^* = \mathbf{0}$$

we do not attempt to find  $\mathbf{x}_f^*$

$$\mathbf{x}_f^{SM} \neq \mathbf{x}_f^*$$



## Broyden-based Direct Space Mapping

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**begin**

$$\mathbf{x}_f = \mathbf{x}_c^*, \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}, \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f) - \mathbf{x}_c^*$$

**repeat until** *stopping\_criterion*

solve  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{h} = -\mathbf{f}$  for  $\mathbf{h}$

$$\mathbf{x}_f = \mathbf{x}_f + \mathbf{h}$$

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f) - \mathbf{x}_c^*$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} + \frac{\mathbf{f}\mathbf{h}^T}{\mathbf{h}^T\mathbf{h}}$$

**end**

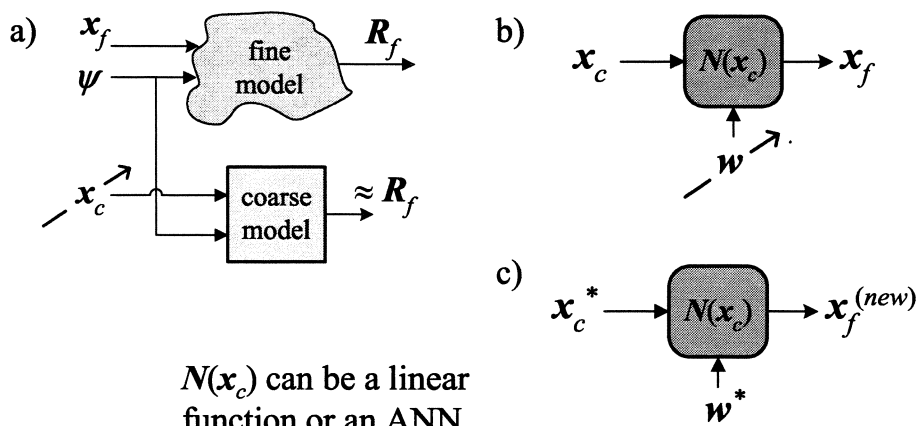
$$\text{where } \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_f) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}_c} \|\mathbf{R}_f(\mathbf{x}_f, \psi) - \mathbf{R}_c(\mathbf{x}_c, \psi)\|_2^2$$

(Bandler et al., 1995)



## Inverse Space Mapping for Design

Main sub-processes



## Inverse Space Mapping

**begin**

$i = 0, x_f^{(i)} = x_c^*$ , initialize  $w$

**repeat until stopping\_criterion**

$$x_c^{(i)} = \arg \min_{x_c} \|R_f(x_f, \psi) - R_c(x_c, \psi)\|_2^2$$

**train**  $N(w)$  to find  $w^*$

$$x_f^{(i+1)} = N(w^*, x_c^*)$$

**end**



## Training a Linear Inverse Mapping

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- $N(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_c) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_c + \mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
 where  $\mathbf{w}$  contains  $\mathbf{b}$  and the columns of  $\mathbf{A}$
- It is “trained” by solving

$$\min_{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}} \|\mathbf{e}_{i-n}^T \dots \mathbf{e}_i^T\|_2^2$$

where

$$\mathbf{e}_k = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_c^{(k)} + \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{x}_f^{(k)}$$

(Rayas-Sánchez et al., 2004)



## Training a Neural Inverse Mapping

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- $N(\mathbf{x}_c, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{W}^o \Phi(\mathbf{x}_c) + \mathbf{b}^o$   
 $\Phi(\mathbf{x}_c) = [\varphi(s_1) \quad \varphi(s_2) \quad \dots \quad \varphi(s_h)]^T$   
 $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{W}^h \mathbf{x}_c + \mathbf{b}^h$   
 where  $\mathbf{w}$  contains  $\mathbf{b}^o \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{b}^h \in \mathbb{R}^h$  and the columns of  
 $\mathbf{W}^o \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times h}$  and  $\mathbf{W}^h \in \mathbb{R}^{h \times n}$
- It is trained by solving

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{e}_1^T \dots \mathbf{e}_i^T\|$$

where

$$\mathbf{e}_k = \mathbf{x}_f^{(k)} - N(\mathbf{x}_c^{(k)}, \mathbf{w})$$

(Bandler et al., 2001)



## ASM-Broyden vs LISM vs NISM

- The same termination criteria are used

$$\|f(\mathbf{x}_f^{(i)})\|_\infty < \varepsilon_1 \quad \text{or} \quad \|\mathbf{x}_f^{(i+1)} - \mathbf{x}_f^{(i)}\|_2 \leq \varepsilon_2(\varepsilon_2 + \|\mathbf{x}_f^{(i)}\|_2) \quad \text{or} \quad i > 4n$$

$$\varepsilon_1 = 10^{-4} \quad \varepsilon_2 = 10^{-5}$$

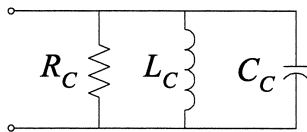
- The same statistical parameter extraction algorithm is used at the  $i$ -th iteration to solve

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}_c} \|\mathbf{R}_f(\mathbf{x}_f^{(i)}, \psi) - \mathbf{R}_c(\mathbf{x}_c, \psi)\|_2^2$$



## ASM-Broyden vs LISM vs NISM (cont)

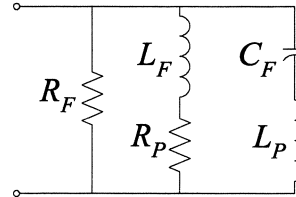
“Coarse” model



$$\mathbf{x}_c = [R_C (\Omega) \quad L_C (\text{nH}) \quad C_C (\text{pF})]^T$$

$$\mathbf{x}_c^* = [50 \quad 0.2370 \quad 11.8792]^T$$

“Fine” model



$$\mathbf{x}_f = [R_F (\Omega) \quad L_F (\text{nH}) \quad C_F (\text{pF})]^T$$

$$R_P = 0.5 \Omega$$

$$L_P = 0.13 \text{ nH}$$

Specifications ( $Z_o = 50 \Omega$ )

$$|S_{11}| > 0.8 \text{ from } 1 \text{ GHz to } 2.5 \text{ GHz and from } 3.5 \text{ GHz to } 5 \text{ GHz}$$

$$|S_{11}| < 0.2 \text{ from } 2.95 \text{ GHz to } 3.05 \text{ GHz}$$

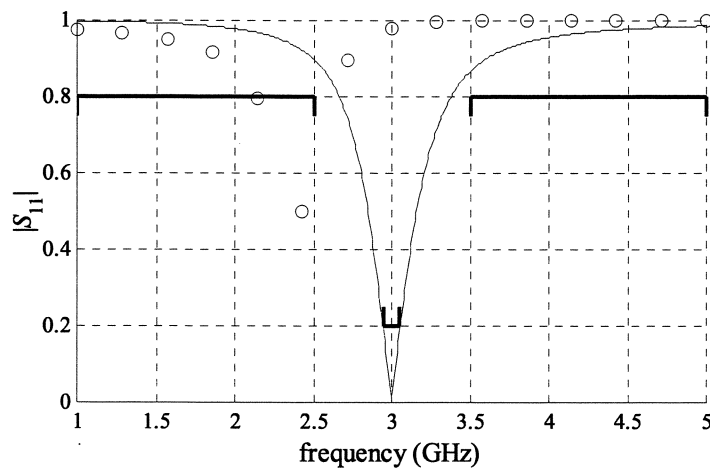




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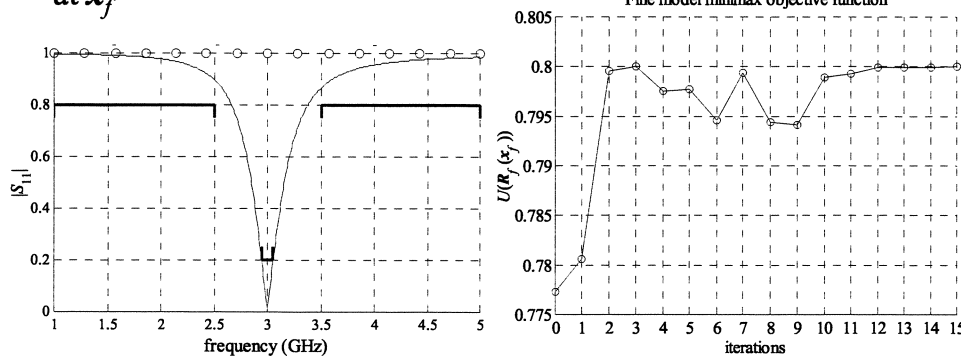
fine (○) and coarse model (—) responses at  $x_c^*$



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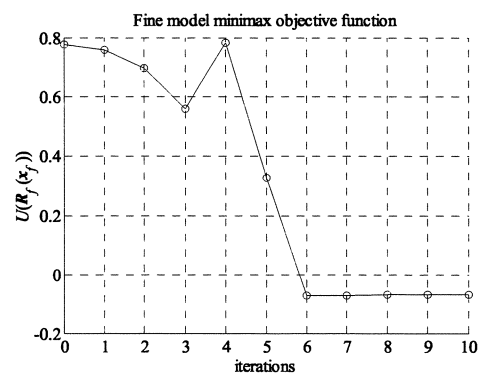
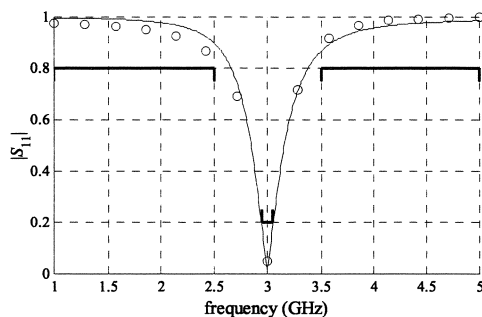
Coarse model response (—) at  $x_c^*$  and fine model response (○) at  $x_f^{BROYDEN}$



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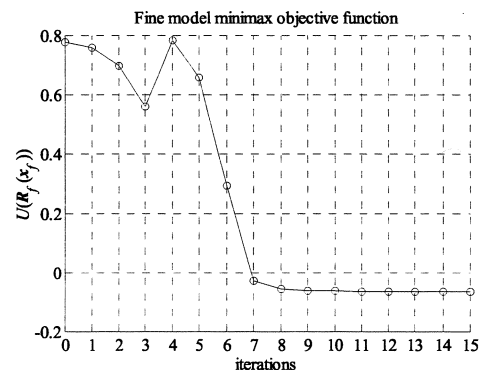
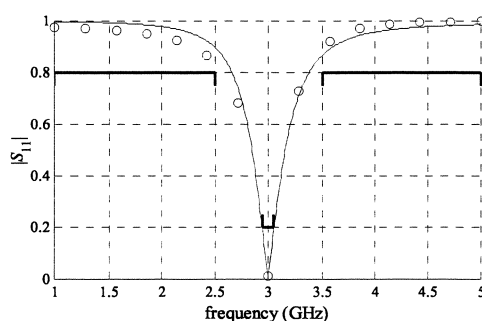
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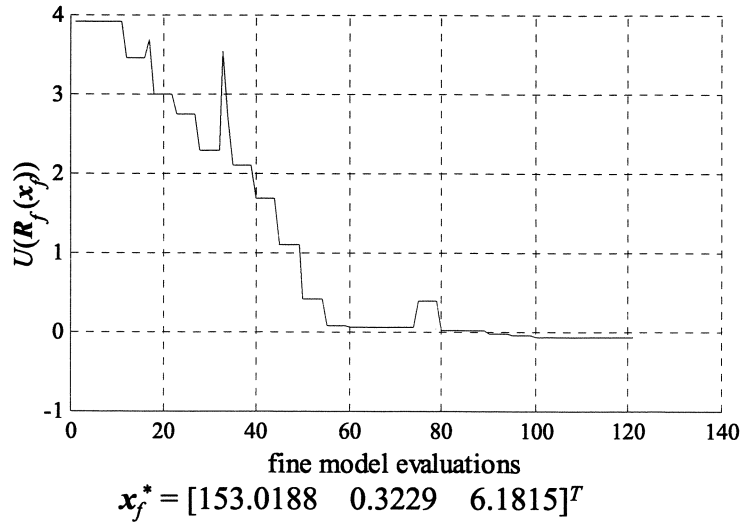
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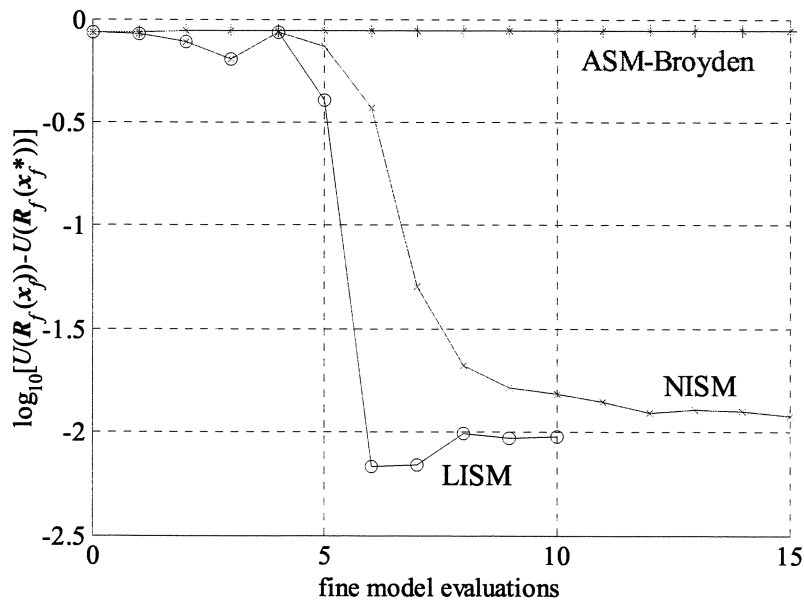
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## ASM-Broyden vs LISM vs NISM (cont)

Optimizing the "fine" model directly



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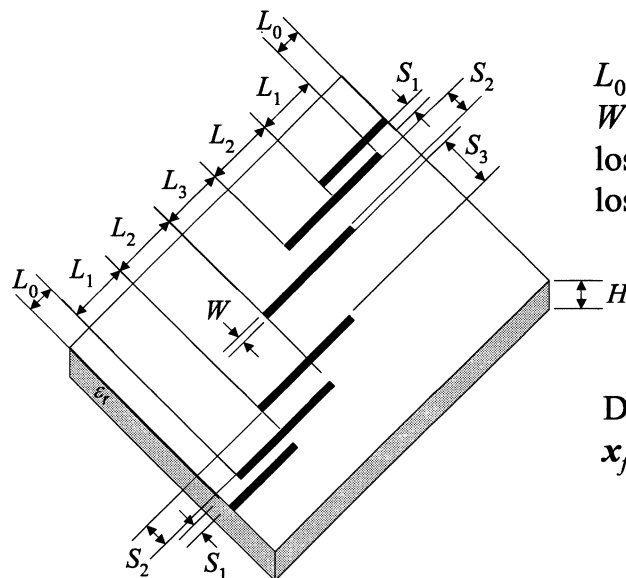


## ASM-Broyden vs LISM vs NISM (cont)

method	solution $x_f^{(i)}$	$U(R_f(x_f^{(i)}))$	$i$	termination condition
Direct optimization	$[153.0188 \ 0.3229 \ 6.1815]^T$	-0.0780	121	-
LISM	$[123.3491 \ 0.3468 \ 5.8238]^T$	-0.06854	10	$\ f(x_f^{(i)})\ _\infty < \varepsilon_1$
NISM	$[124.0788 \ 0.3472 \ 5.8601]^T$	-0.0661	15	$i > 4n$
ASM-Broyden	fails	0.8000	15	$i > 4n$



## HTS Filter (Westinghouse, 1993)



$L_0 = 50$  mil,  $H = 20$  mil,  
 $W = 7$  mil,  $\varepsilon_r = 23.425$ ,  
 loss tangent =  $3 \times 10^{-5}$ ;  
 lossless metalization

Design parameters  
 $x_f = [L_1 \ L_2 \ L_3 \ S_1 \ S_2 \ S_3]^T$



## Optimizing the HTS Microstrip Filter

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### Specifications

$$|S_{21}| \geq 0.95 \text{ for } 4.008 \text{ GHz} \leq f \leq 4.058 \text{ GHz}$$

$$|S_{21}| \leq 0.05 \text{ for } f \leq 3.967 \text{ GHz and } f \geq 4.099 \text{ GHz}$$

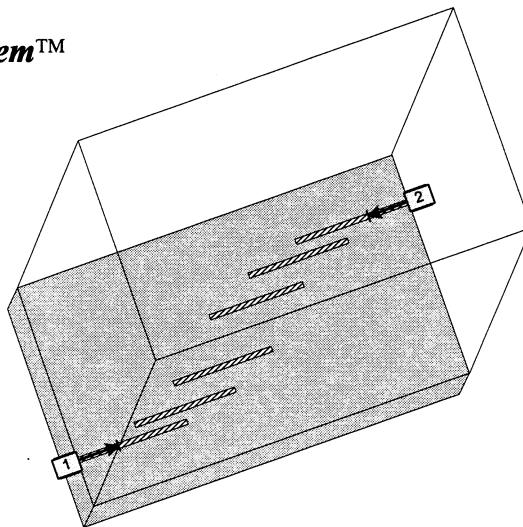


## Optimizing the HTS Microstrip Filter (cont)

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### Fine model

Sonnet's *em*<sup>TM</sup>

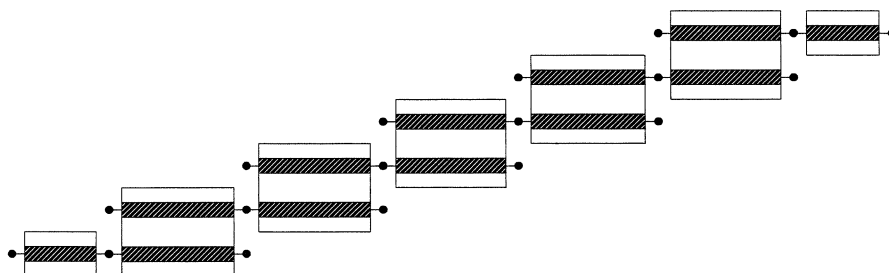


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Coarse model



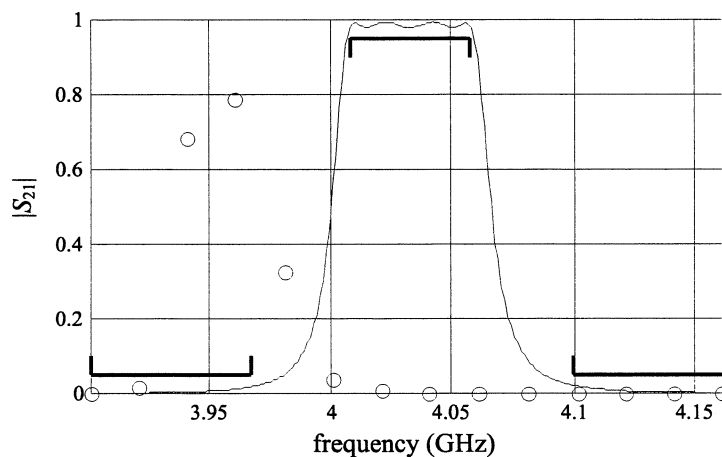
OSA90/hope™ built-in models of open circuits, microstrip lines and coupled microstrip lines



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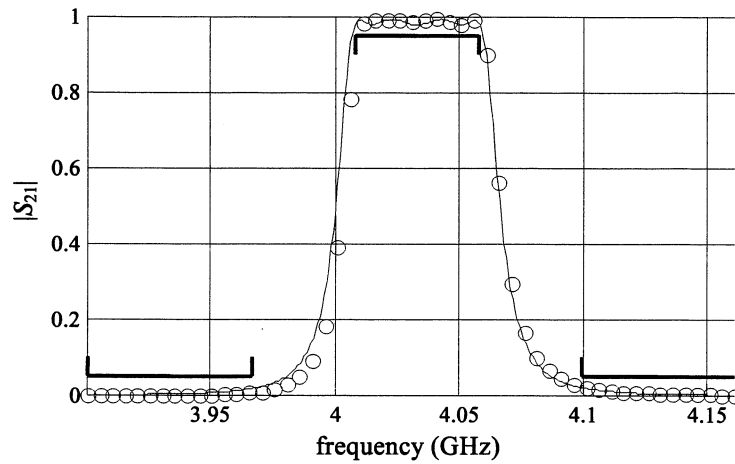
Starting point

OSA90/hope™ (—) and *em*™ (○) at  $x_c^*$



## NISM Optimization of the HTS Filter

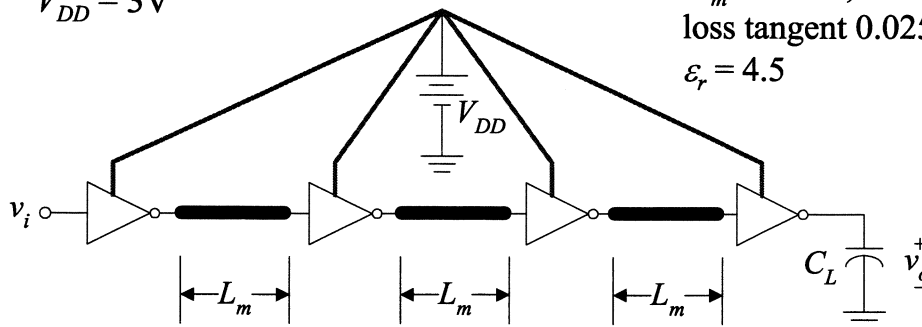
Responses using OSA90/hope™ (—) at  $x_c^*$  and  $em^{\text{TM}}$  (○) at the NISM solution (after 3 NISM iterations)



## CMOS Drivers for a Long Microstrip Line

$L_m = 200\text{mil}$   
 $C_L = 0.1\text{pF}$   
 $V_{DD} = 3\text{V}$

FR4 substrate:  
 $H_m = 10\text{mil}$ ,  
 $W_m = 19\text{mil}$ ,  
 loss tangent 0.025  
 $\epsilon_r = 4.5$



$v_i$ : trapezoidal pulse with a 3V amplitude, 2.5 ns duration, 100 ps rise time and fall time



## CMOS Drivers for a Long Line (cont)

### Specifications

$$v_o(t) < 0.3V \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 1ns$$

$$v_o(t) > 2.7V \text{ for } 3ns \leq t \leq 4.5ns$$

$$v_o(t) < 0.3V \text{ for } 6.5ns \leq t \leq 8.5ns$$

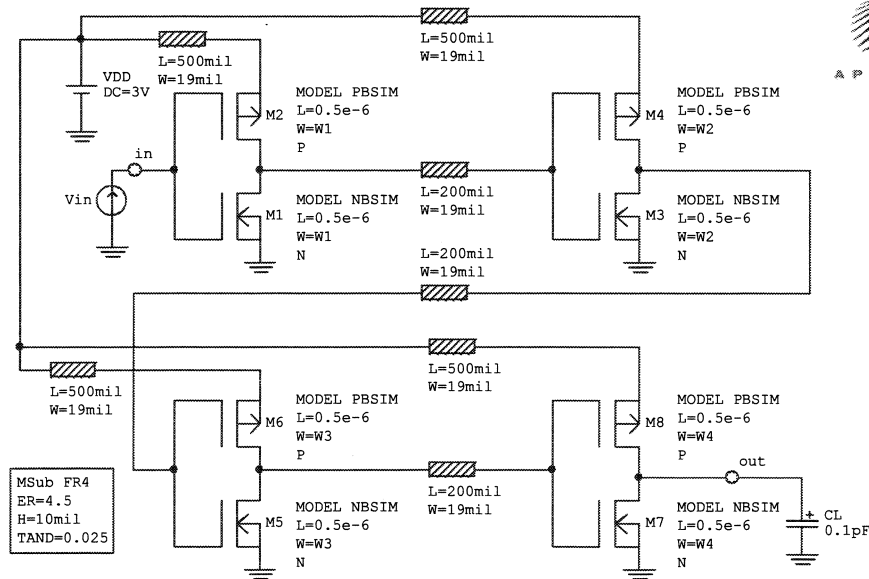
### Optimization variables

$$\mathbf{x}_f = [W_1 \ W_2 \ W_3 \ W_4]^T$$

(channel width of each MOSFET,  
 0.5 $\mu$ m CMOS technology)

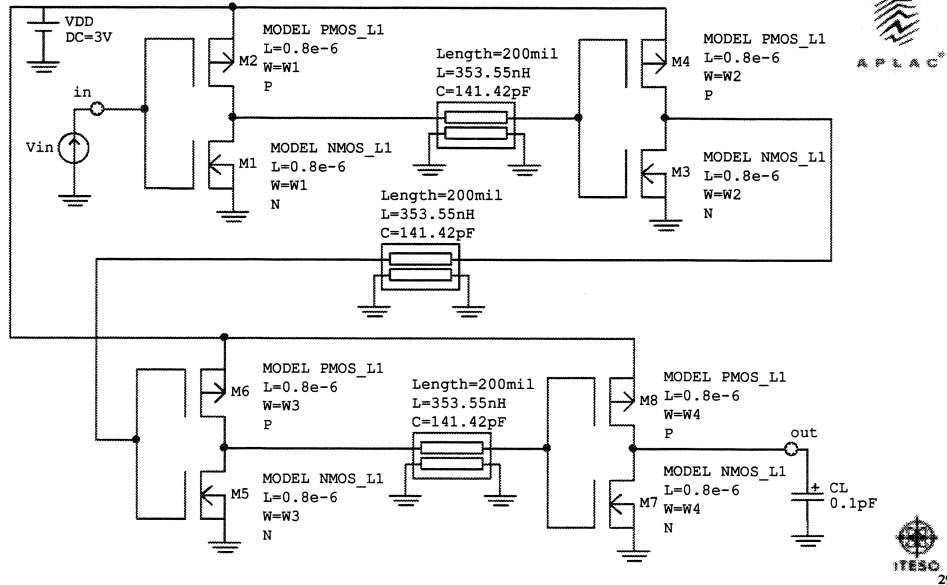


## CMOS Drivers for a Long Line – Fine Model

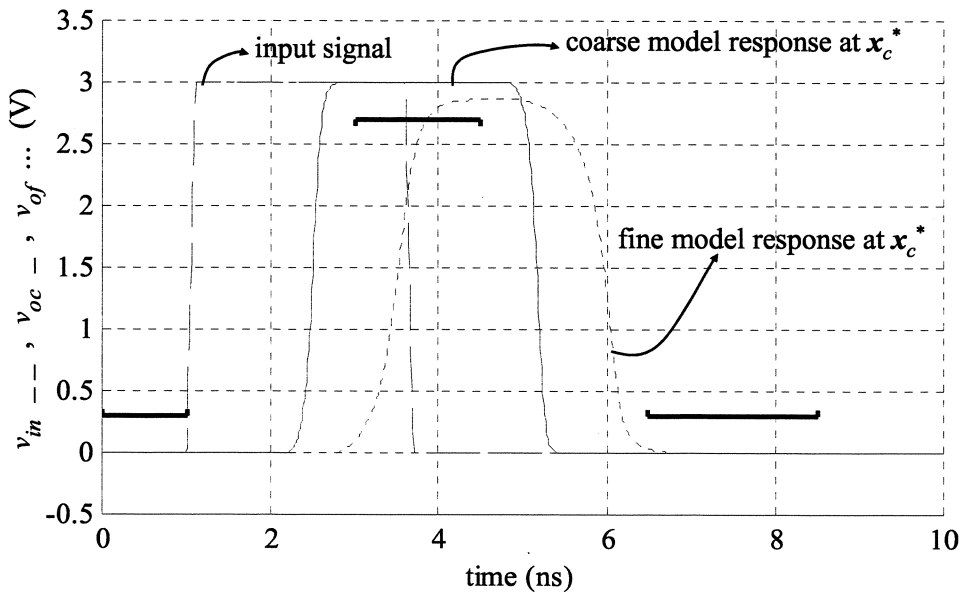




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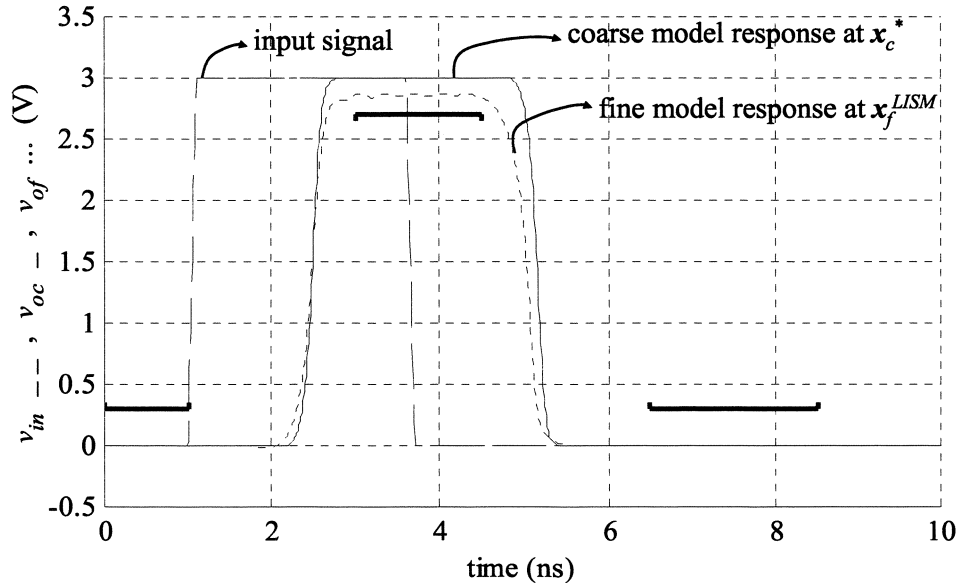


## Optimizing the CMOS Drivers – Starting Point



## Optimizing the CMOS Drivers – SM Solution

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## Conclusions

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- LISM outperforms the other two techniques

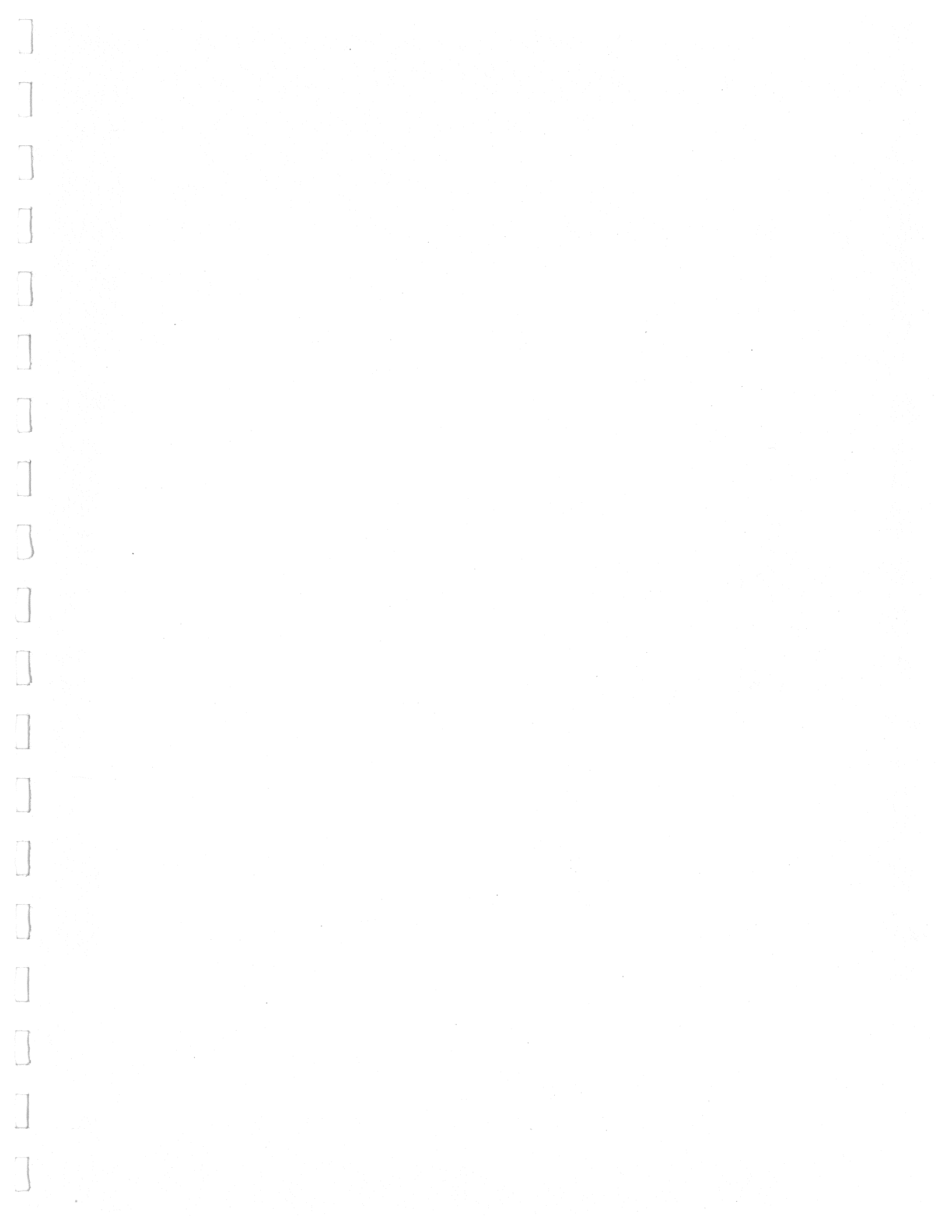
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# **Coarse EM Modeling of LTCC RF Circuits and Its Applications to Optimization Design**

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## **Outline**

- Partial Element Equivalent Circuit (PEEC),  
Coarse EM model for LTCC RF circuits**
- Physically expressive equivalent circuit  
model including parasitics**
- Dynamic coarse model**
- Application of dynamic coarse model to  
Aggressive Space Mapping (ASM)**

## **Challenges in ASM**

- **Requiring an effective coarse model:**  
physically sound, fast though less accurate
- **Uniqueness in parameter extraction**
- **The variable match**

## **Why PEEC model?**

- **PEEC model is suitable for EM simulation of multi-layers LTCC RF circuits**
- **Static PEEC model is much faster than full wave EM models**
- **PEEC model works in the same variable space as that in full wave EM models**



## Basic concept of PEEC model

For a system of  $K$  conductors:

$$E_x^i(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{J_x(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\sigma} + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_n \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \left[ \int_{v_n} G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') dv'_n \right] \frac{\partial J_n^x(t')}{\partial t} + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_m \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ q_m(t') \int_{s_m} G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') ds'_m \right]$$

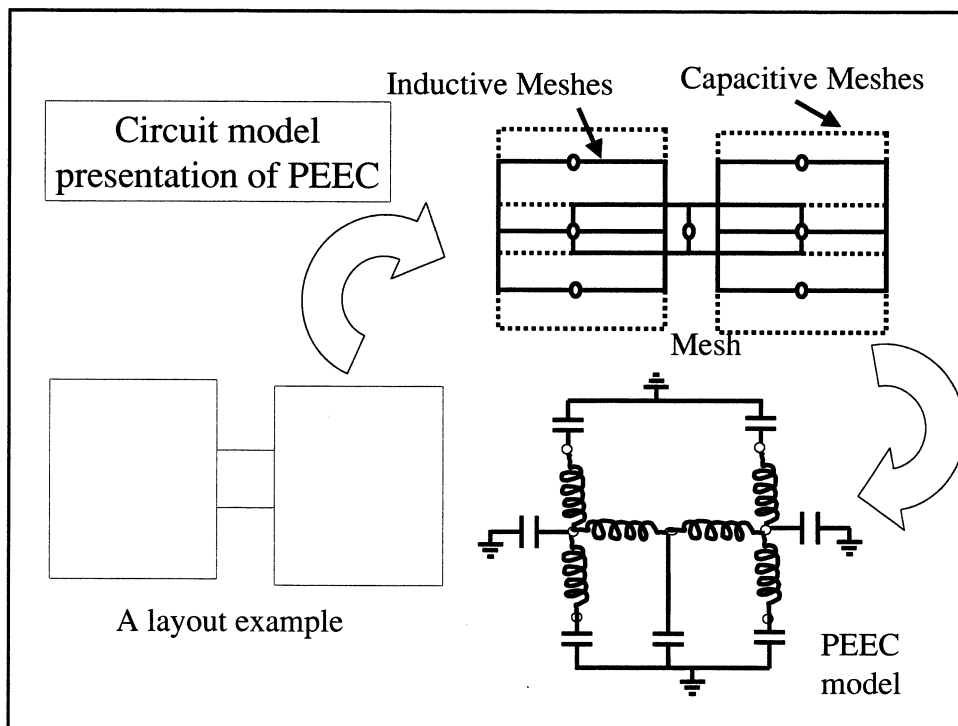
$E \neq 0$

$$0 = V_R + V_L + V_C$$

$V_R = 0$  for Perfect conductor

$$V_L = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_n \left\{ \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \frac{1}{a_i a_n} \left[ \int_{v_i} \int_{v_n} G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') dv'_i dv'_n \right] \right\} \frac{\partial I_n^x(t')}{\partial t} = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_n L_{p,i,n} \frac{dI_n^x(t')}{dt}$$

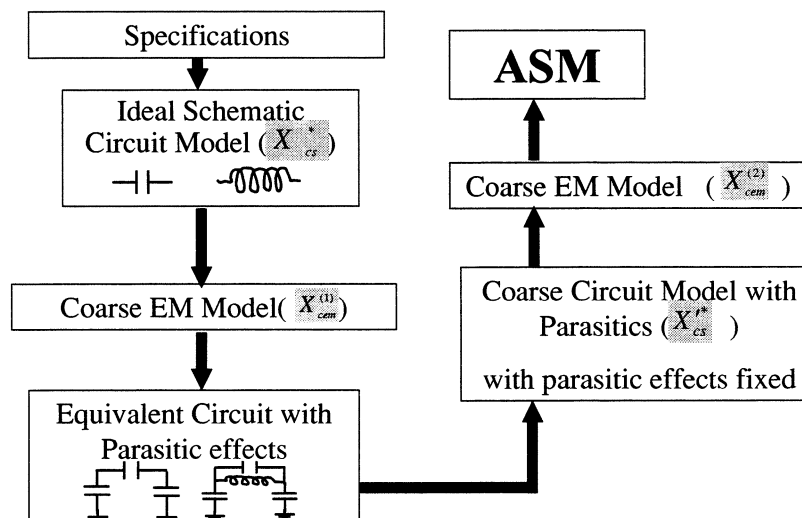
$$V_C = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_m \left\{ \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{1}{S_m} \left[ \int_{s_m} G(\mathbf{r}_i^+, \mathbf{r}') ds'_m - \int_{s_m} G(\mathbf{r}_i^-, \mathbf{r}') ds'_m \right] \right\} Q_m(t')$$

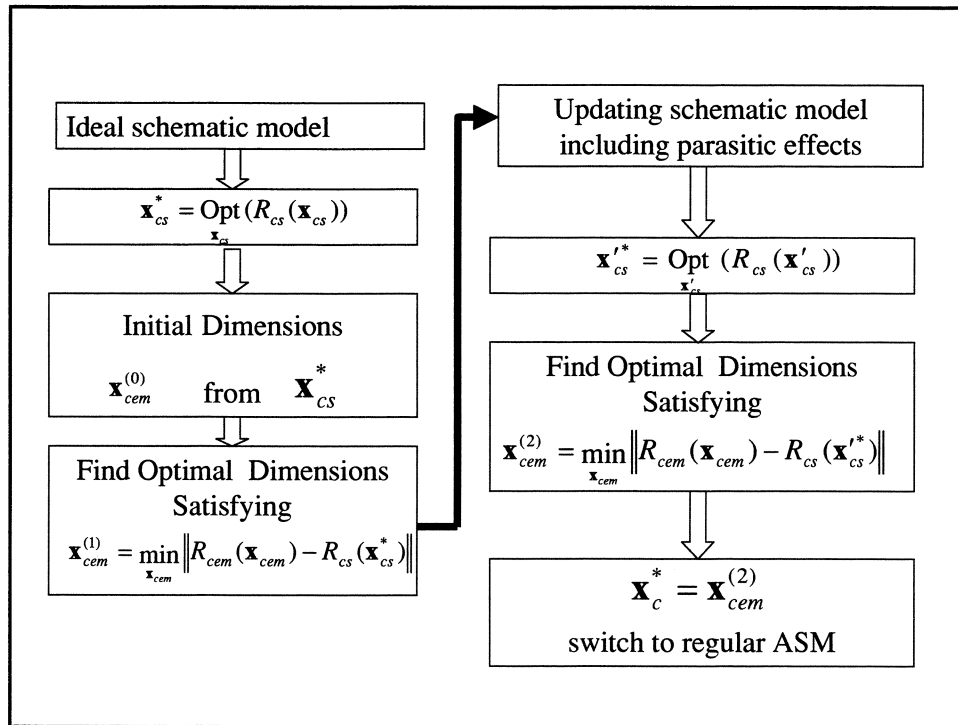


## How to accelerate PEEC model?

- Using static Green function for small electrical size LTCC RF circuits
- Using fast circuit solver other than conventional matrix solver
- Using node deduction method that is independent to frequency

## Dynamic Optimal Coarse Model

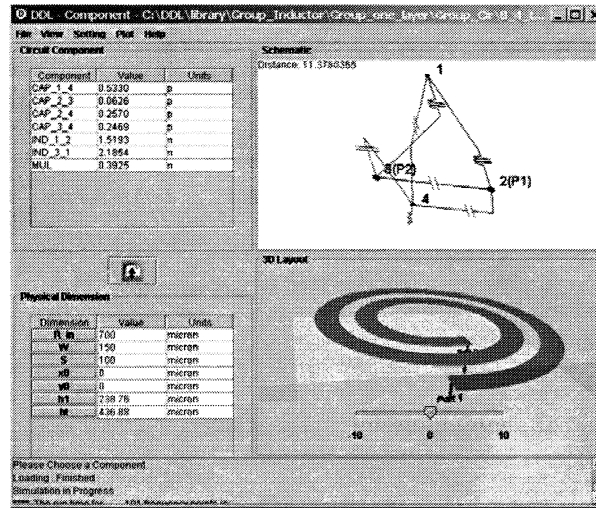




### Derivation of Equivalent Circuit:

- Equivalent Circuit can be obtained by parameter curve fitting or derivation from EM models
- Curve fitting model
- The derived equivalent circuit must be physically expressive including parasitics

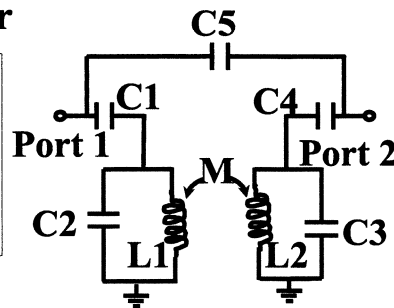
## An example of derived circuit model



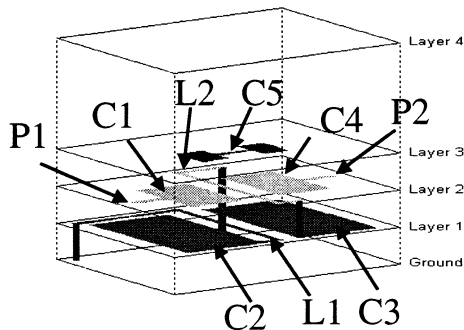
## Example 1: A Bandpass Filter

### Specs of BPF:

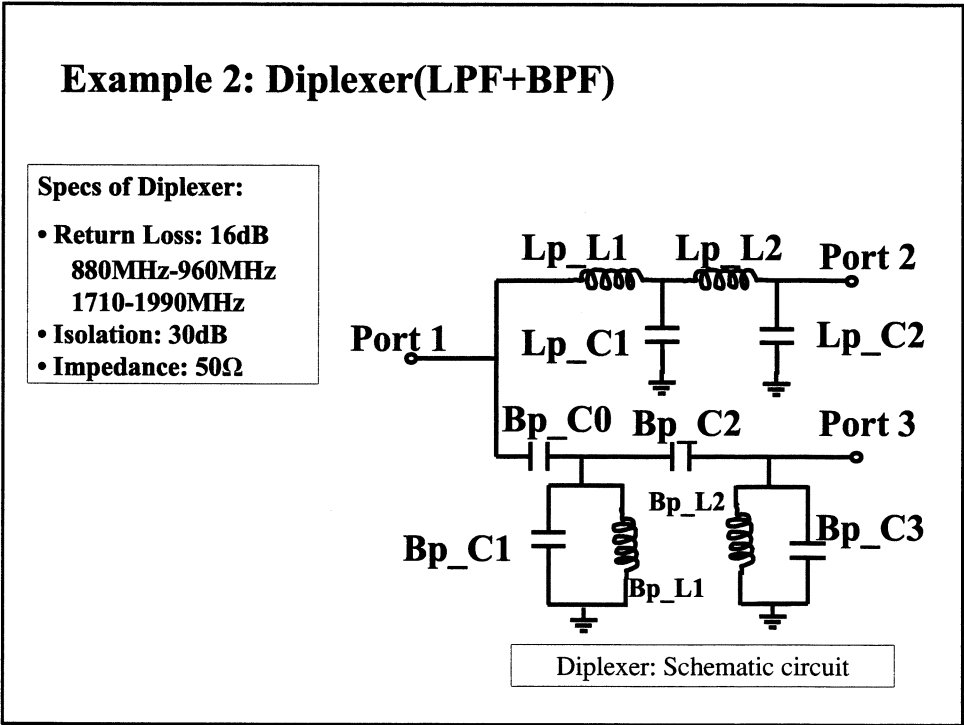
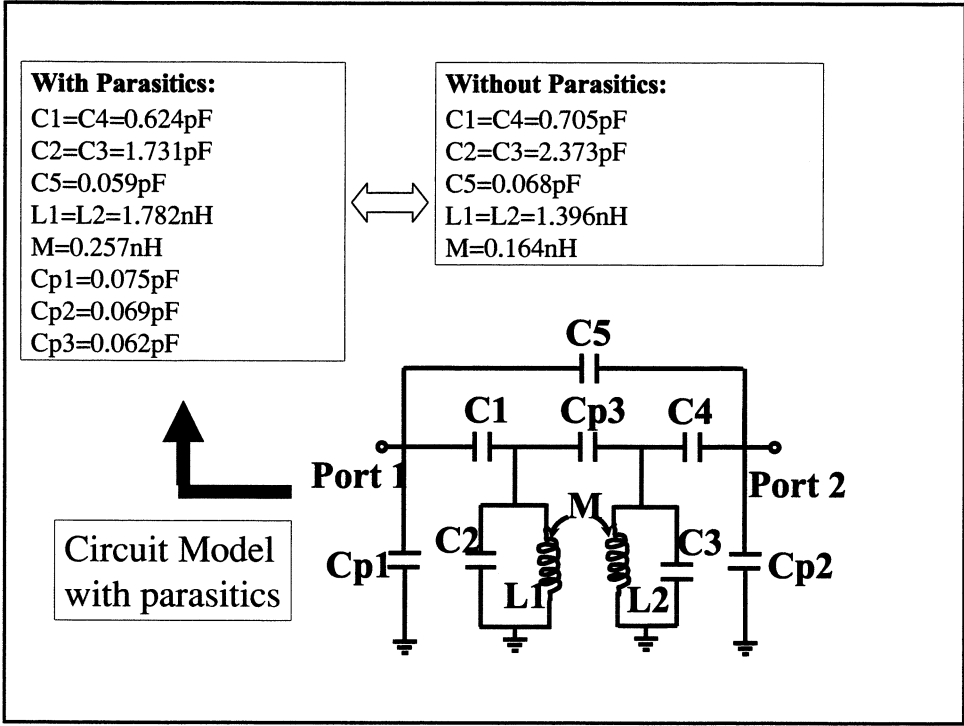
- **Center Frequency: 2.5GHz**
- **Bandwidth: 100MHz**
- **Attenuation: 20dB (1-1.8 GHz)**  
**20dB (3-4 GHz)**
- **Impedance: 50Ω**

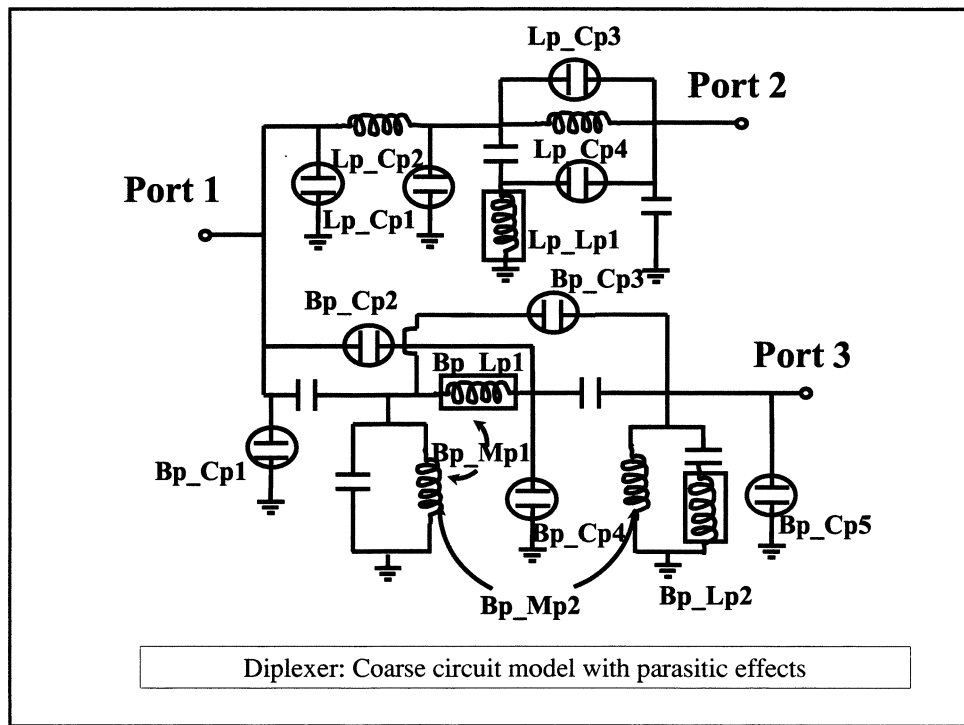
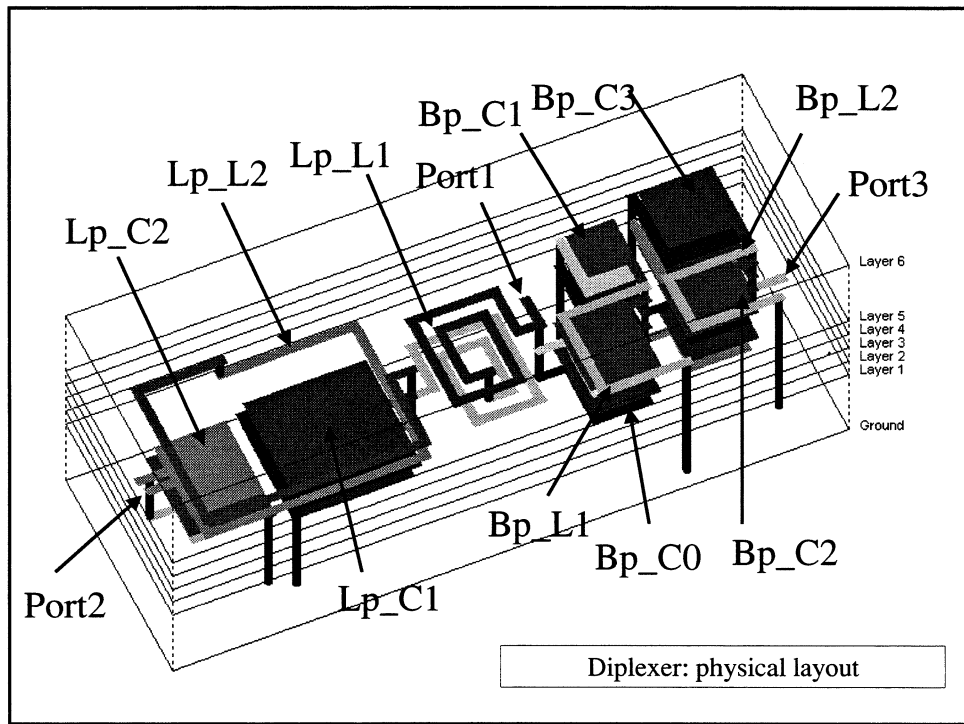


BPF: Schematic Circuit



BPF: Physical Layout





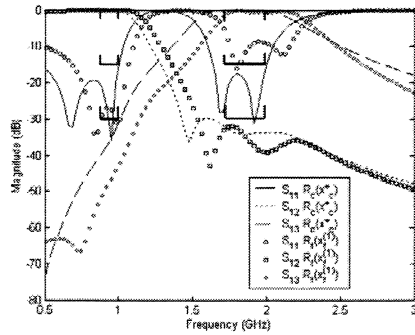
**Without Parasitics:**

Lp\_L1=10.377nH  
 Lp\_L2=10.567nH  
 Lp\_C1=6.893pF  
 Lp\_C2=3.784pF  
 Bp\_C0=3.607pF  
 Bp\_C1=7.811pF  
 Bp\_C2=2.327pF  
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 Bp\_L1=0.776nH  
 Bp\_L2=0.962nH

**With Parasitics:**

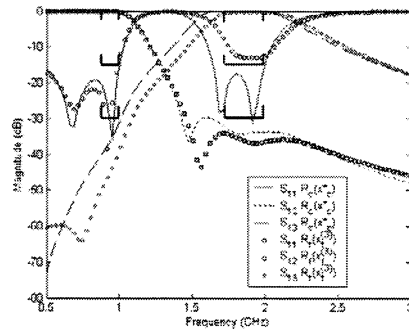
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 Lp\_C1=4.489pF  
 Lp\_C2=3.512pF  
 Bp\_C0=2.300pF  
 Bp\_C1=7.870pF  
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 Bp\_L1=1.667nH  
 Bp\_L2=1.042nH

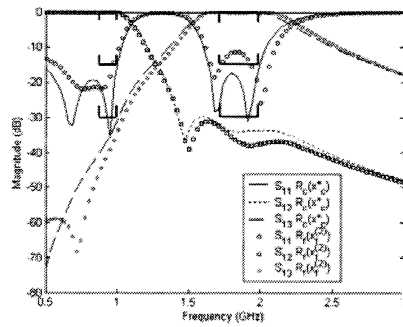
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 Lp\_Lp1=0.398nH  
 Bp\_Cp1=0.404pF  
 Bp\_Cp2=0.203pF  
 Bp\_Cp3=0.20pF  
 Bp\_Cp4=1.477pF  
 Bp\_Cp5=1.225pF  
 Bp\_Lp1=0.541nH  
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 Bp\_Mp1=0.089nH  
 Bp\_Mp2=0.103nH



ASM iteration 1

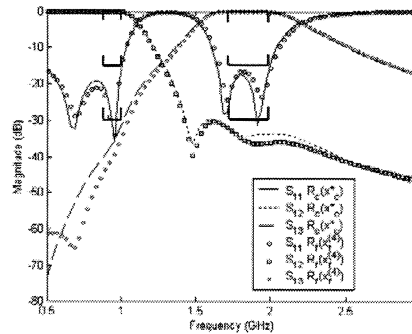
ASM iteration 2





ASM iteration 3

ASM iteration 4



## Conclusions

- Effective coarse model with parasitic effects is desirable in ASM**
- Static PEEC model is a good choice in ASM as a coarse model for multilayer RF circuits**
- Dynamic coarse model can be used when strong parasitic effects exist**







# **Neural Network-Based Device Modeling and Design Optimization**

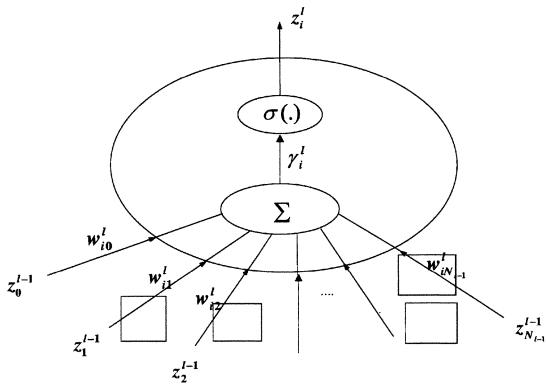
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## **Introduction**

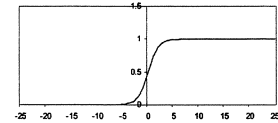
- **Neural networks are inspired the study of human brains.**
- **They have the potential to become powerful modeling tools.**
- **They are recently applied to RF and microwave modeling**
- **They have been used to model EM problems, active devices and nonlinear circuits.**
- **These models can be used for efficient circuit design optimization**

### Information Processing In a Neuron

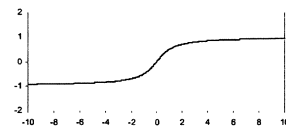


### Activation Functions in Neurons

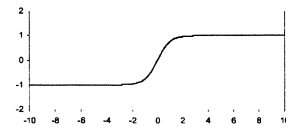
**Sigmoid**  
 $\sigma(\gamma) = 1 / (1 + e^{-\gamma})$



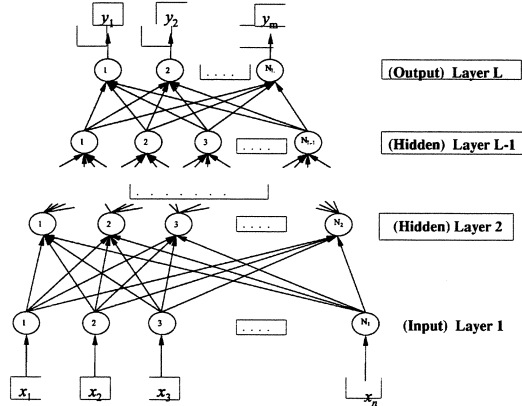
**Arc-tangent**  
 $\sigma(\gamma) = (2/\pi) \arctan(\gamma)$



**Hyperbolic-tangent**  
 $\sigma(\gamma) = (e^{\gamma} - e^{-\gamma}) / (e^{\gamma} + e^{-\gamma})$

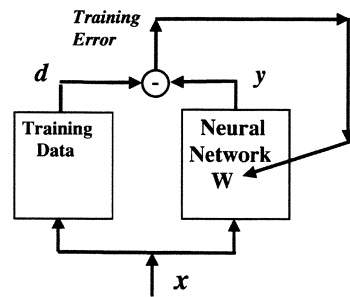


### Multilayer Perceptron (MLP) Neural Network



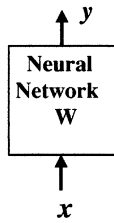
### Neural Network Learning (Train a Neural Network)

Modify the internal weights of the neural network such that the neural network input-output relationship matches that of training data.

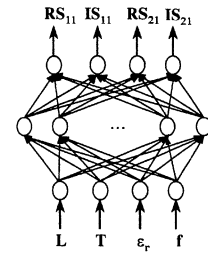
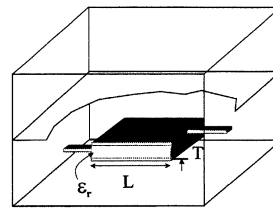


### Neural Network Recall (Use of Neural Network)

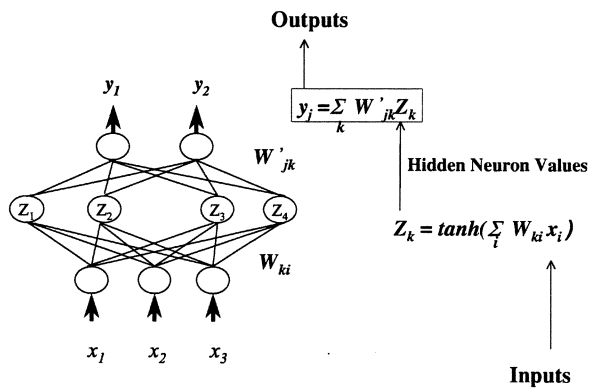
Given input information  $x$ , the neural network computes the output  $y$ . During recall, internal weights of the neural network are fixed as constants.



### Embedded Capacitor Neural Model



### 3 Layer MLP: Feedforward Computation



### How can ANN represent an arbitrary nonlinear input-output relationship?

Universal Approximation Theorem  
(Hornik, Stinchcombe and White, 1989)

In plain words:

Given enough hidden layer neurons, a 3-layer MLP neural network can approximate an arbitrary continuous multidimensional function to any desired accuracy

### **Neural Networks for RF/Microwave Design**

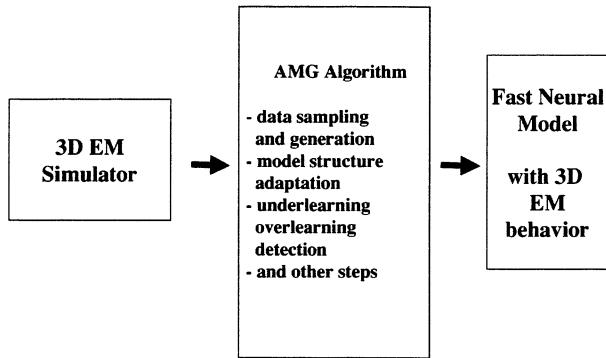
- **Neural models are efficient alternatives to closed-form expressions, equivalent circuit models and look-up tables**
- **Neural network models can be developed from measured or simulated data**
- **Neural models can also be used to update or improve the accuracy of already existing models**
- **Neural network models have been developed for active devices, passive components, interconnect networks and nonlinear circuits**
- **These models have been used in circuit simulators for high-level simulation, design and optimization**

### **Features of Neural Network Models**

- **Neural networks have the ability to model multi-dimensional nonlinear relationships**
- **Neural models are simple and the model computation is fast**
- **Neural networks can learn and generalize from available data thus making model development possible even when component formulae are unavailable**
- **Neural network approach is generic, i.e., the same modeling technique can be re-used for passive/active devices/circuits**
- **It is easier to update neural models whenever device or component technology changes**

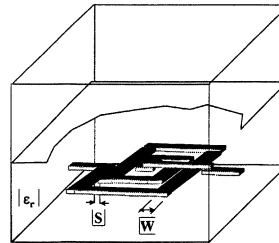


## Automatic Model Generation (AMG)



## Automatic Generation of Neural Model Spiral Inductor Example

(Devabhaktuni et al. 2003)



Model Inputs: Width ( $w$ ), space ( $s$ ), dielectric constant ( $\epsilon_r$ ), and frequency ( $f$ ).

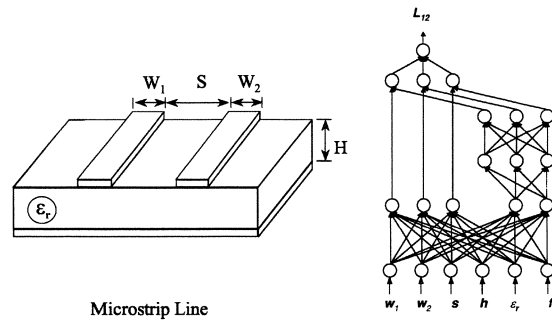
Model Outputs: Real and imaginary parts of S-parameters.

Data Generators used for training: *Sonnet EM* and *Ansoft-HFSS* simulators.

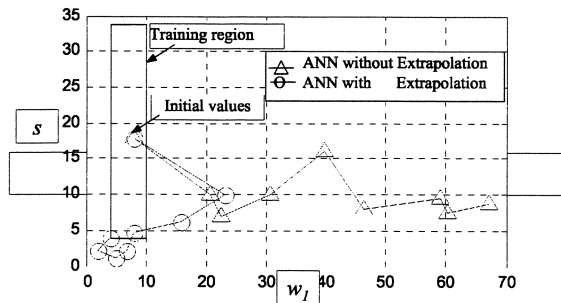
## Neural Model Accuracies using 386 3D EM Data

Neural Modeling Technique	Validation Error
Conventional training	6.25%
Basic AMG algorithm	2.34%
Knowledge based AMG-DM	0.96%
Knowledge-based AMG-KBNN	1.12%
Knowledge-based AMG-PKI	0.85%
Knowledge-based AMG-SMNN	0.99%

## Design Solution Space Analysis



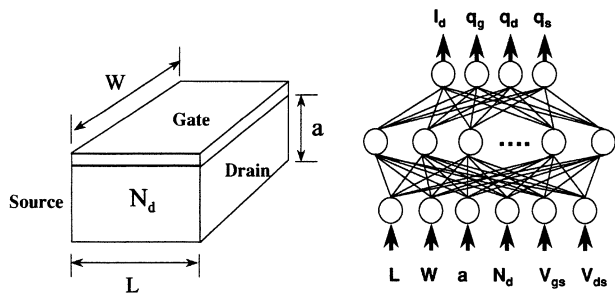
**Design Solution Space Analysis of Transmission Lines  
Using Optimization with Neural Model  
(Xu et al 2004)**



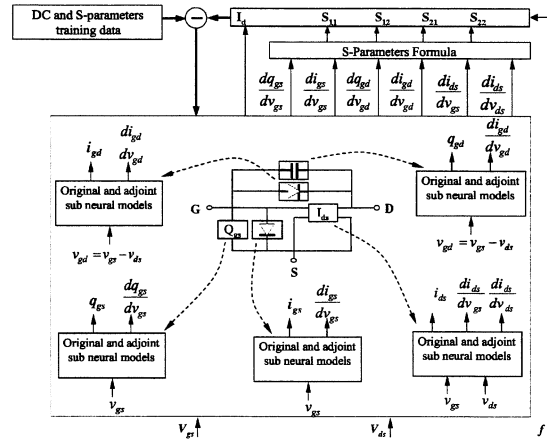
The optimization trajectory of design parameters  $w_l$  and  $s$

**Neural Networks  
for Nonlinear Device/Circuit  
Modeling**

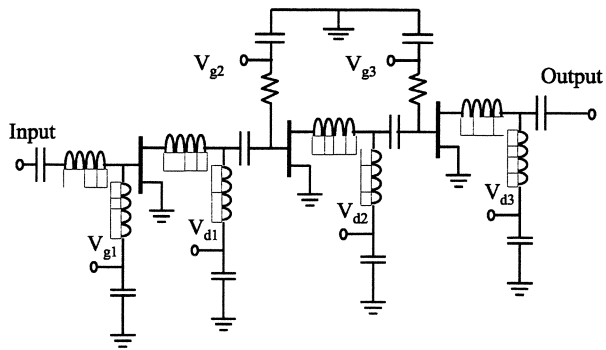
### Neural Model for MESFET Modeling: I-Q Model Trained by I-Q Data



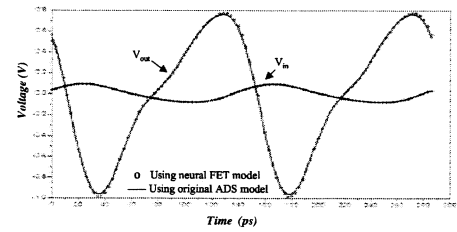
### Nonlinear Modeling Using Adjoint Neural Network (Xu et al. 2001)



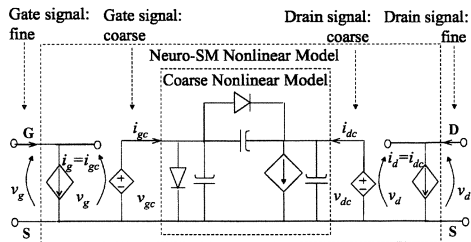
### Three-Stage X-Band Amplifier Circuit with 3 FETs Represented By Neural Models



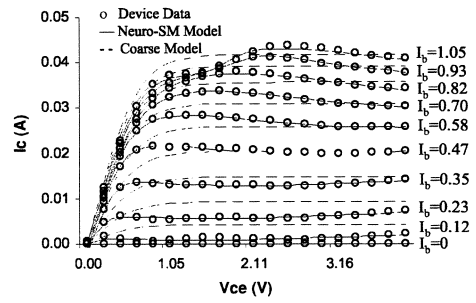
### Large-Signal Simulation of a 3-Stage Amplifier using Neural based FET Model



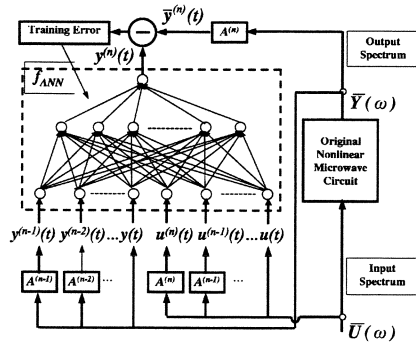
## Neuro-SM (Space Mapping) Model (L. Zhang et al. 2003)



## SiGe HBT Neuro-SM Model

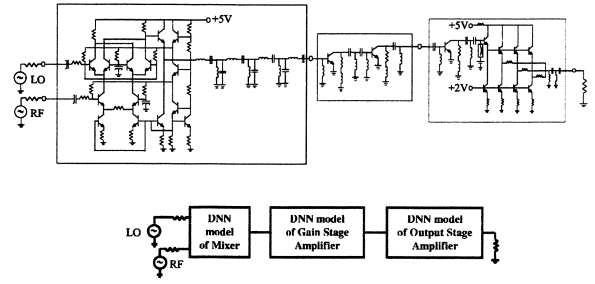


**Time-Domain Model Trained by  
Time- or Frequency-Domain Data (DNN)**  
(Xu et al. 2002)

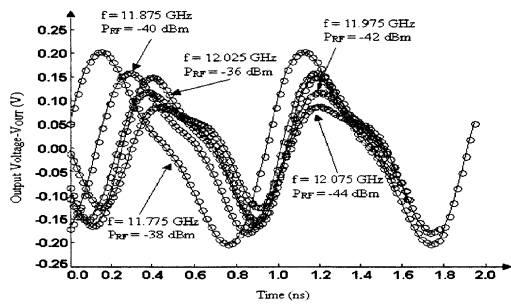


\* where  $A$  is Inverse Fourier Transform

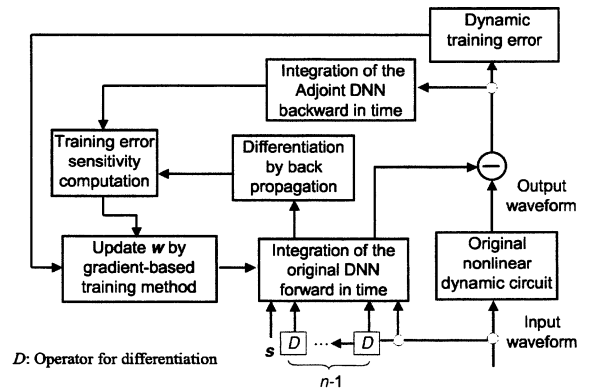
**Nonlinear Simulation of  
DBS Receiver System Using DNN**



## DBS Receiver System Simulation using Original Circuits and DNN Models

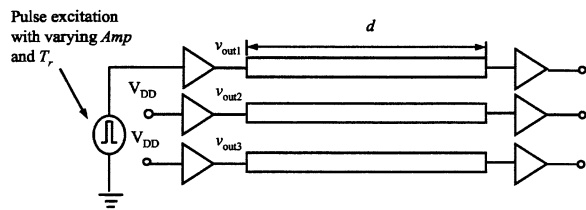


## Adjoint DNN Method for DNN Training (Cao et al 2003)



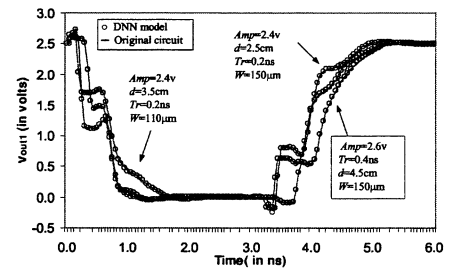


### Coupled 3-conductor Interconnect Circuit Terminated with Nonlinear Buffers

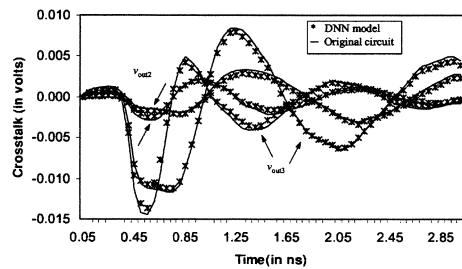


$Amp$ : Pulse amplitude  
 $T_r$ : Pulse rise-time  
 $d$ : Interconnect length

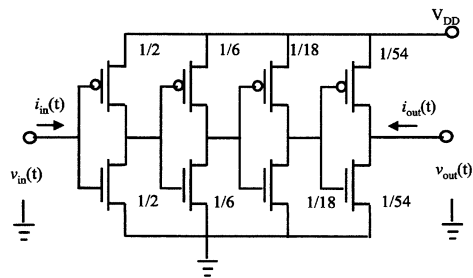
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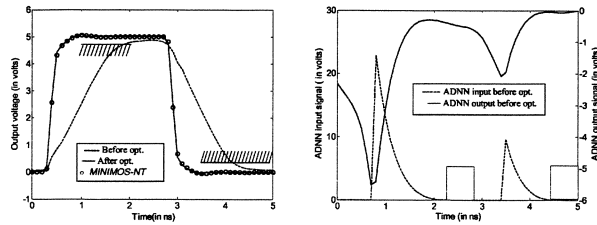
### Comparison of Crosstalks $v_{out2}$ and $v_{out3}$ of 3-Coupled Interconnect Circuit



### Transient DNN Modeling of a 4-stage CMOS Driver Example

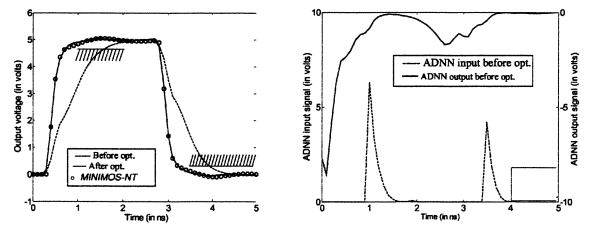


## Responses of the 4-Stage CMOS Driver Models Before and After Optimization



	CPU Time for Optimization
ADNN-Based Optimization	8 seconds
Direct Optimization by Driving MINIMOS-NT	10.5 hours

## Optimization of the 4-Stage CMOS Driver with Transmission Line Load, Signal in Original and Adjoint DNN



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