**DIME** is a programming environment for creating unstructured triangular meshes and doing calculations on the mesh. DIME was developed by the Concurrent Computation Project of the California Institute of Technology. There are three parts:

- Curvetool is for interactively creating a two-dimensional domain from straight lines and cubic splines.
- Meshtool is for making a coarse mesh covering a domain
- A parallel application reads the domain and coarse mesh. The application program may associate data with the nodes and elements of the mesh and program the way this data is processed. The mesh may be adaptively refined and load-balanced, either interactively of from the application.

The same DIME application code runs sequentially or in parallel:

- DIME runs on a **UNIX workstation** which supports either X-windows or Sunview windowing systems.
- DIME also runs on **MIMD parallel computers** which support the Express parallel programming environment, which is available from ParaSoft Inc., Pasadena, CA, (818) 792 9941.

DIME is available by anonymous ftp from delilah.ccsf.caltech.edu, internet 131.215.145.137

When ftp lets you in type cd dime. There are three files in the directory:

- dime.README
- dime.src.tar.Z -- source code for DIME and example application codes.
- dime.doc.tar.Z -- 60 page PostScript documentation for DIME

The example application codes are:

- A simple adaptive contourer.
- Solving the Laplace equation on an arbitrary domain.
- Convection of a Gaussian lump around a circle.
- Playing with refinement using a vector font.
- Stress analysis of an arbitrary shape.

## DIME has been used for:

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