

Research Overview of Intelligent D_Esign Automation Laboratory

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Motivation for Microfluidic Biochips

- Clinical diagnostics, e.g., healthcare for premature infants, point-of-care diagnosis
- “Bio-smoke alarm”: environmental monitoring
- Massive parallel DNA analysis, automated drug discovery, protein crystallization
- *Functional diversification, More than Moore*

Hemophilia

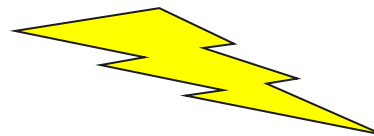


CLINICAL DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATION



Conventional Biochemical Analyzer

Shrink



Lab-on-a-chip for CLINICAL DIAGNOSTICS



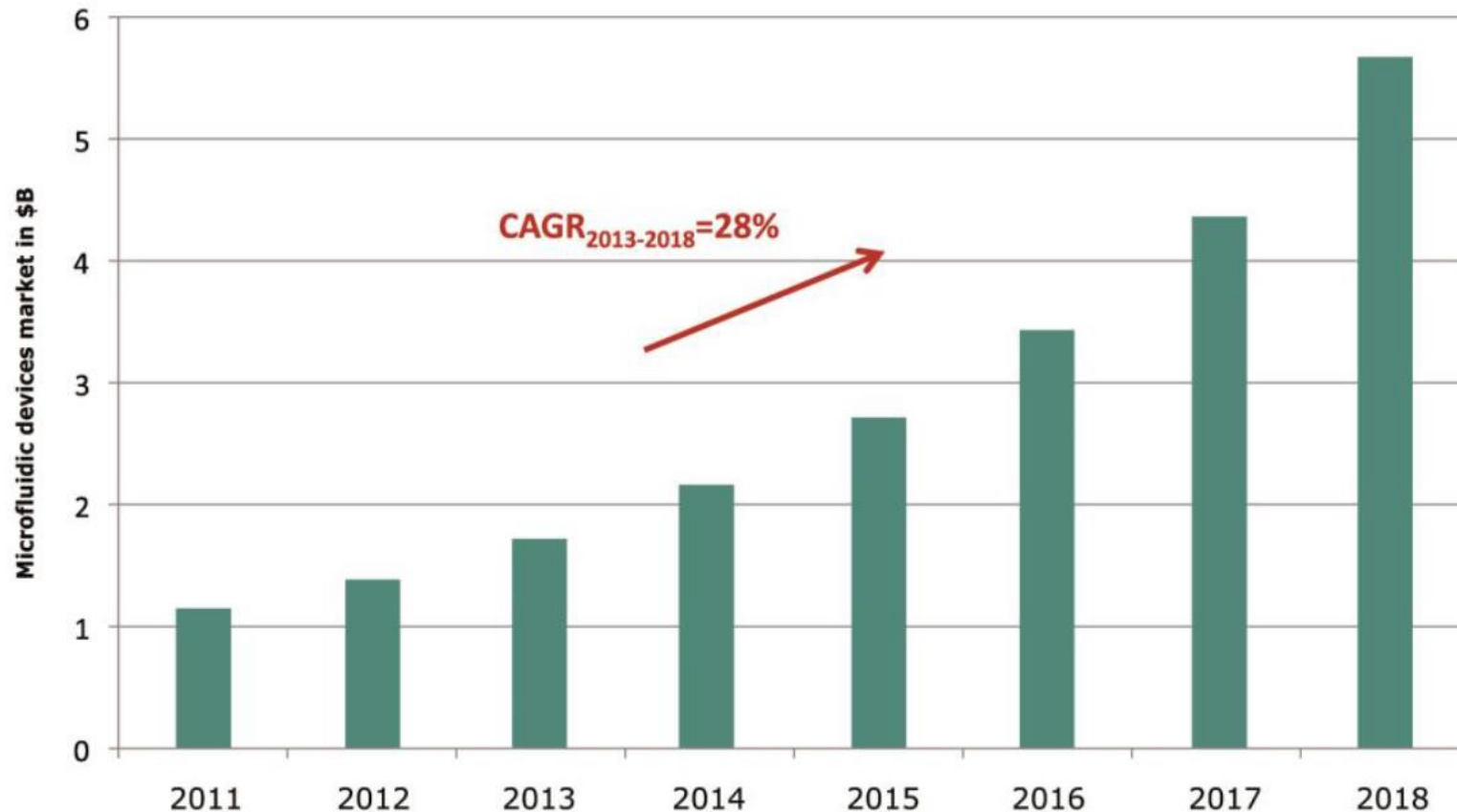
20nl sample



Higher throughput, minimal human intervention, smaller sample/reagent consumption, higher sensitivity, increased productivity

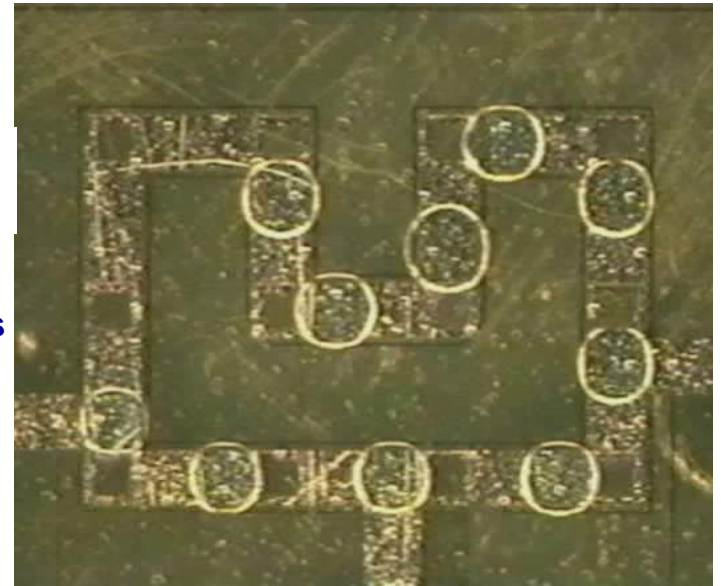
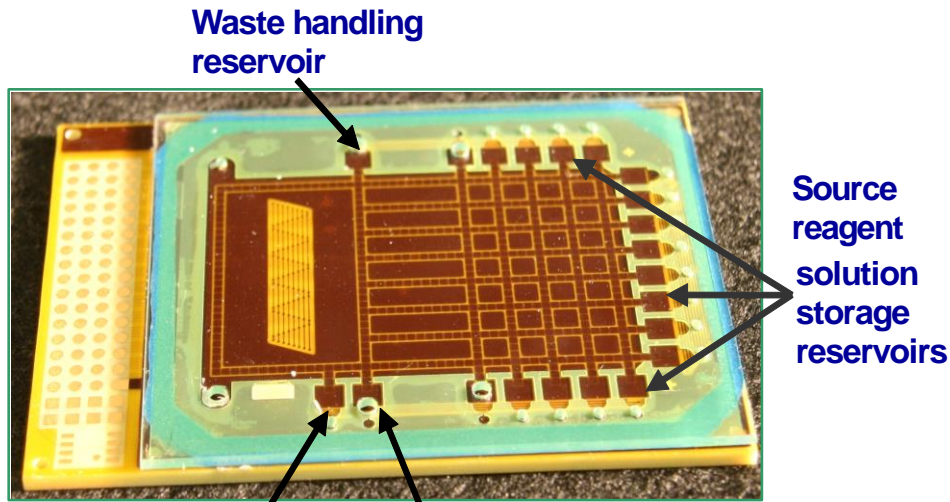
Microfluidic Device market and forecast from 2011 to 2018

Report includes detailed breakdown: General dispensing, drug delivery, accurate dispensing, analytical devices, clinical and veterinary diagnostics, point-of-care testing, industrial and environmental testing, pharmaceutical and life science, microreaction technology

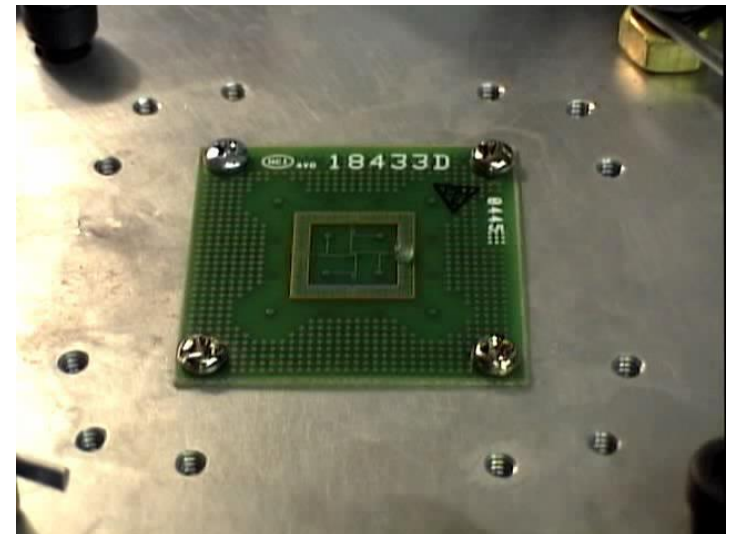
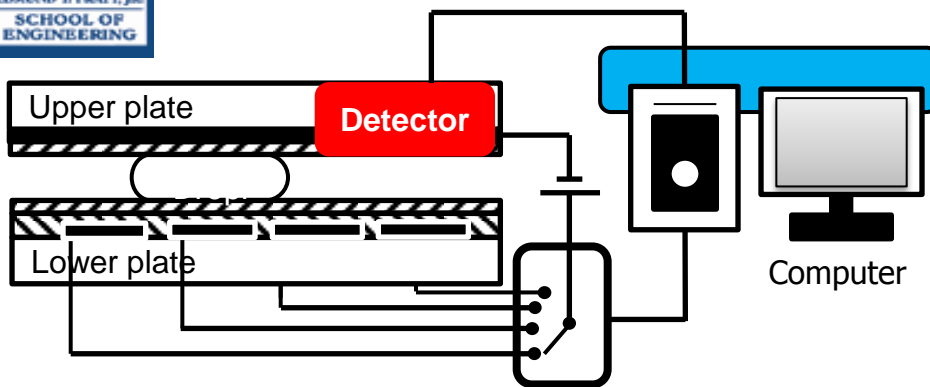


*“The microfluidic device market will grow swiftly, from **\$1.4B in 2013** to **\$5.7B by 2018**”.*

Demonstration of Droplet-Based Microfluidics

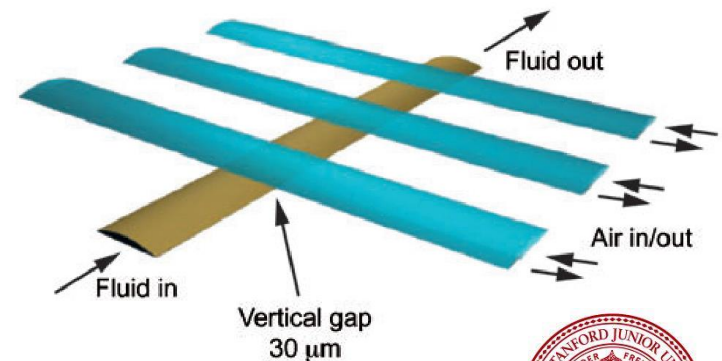
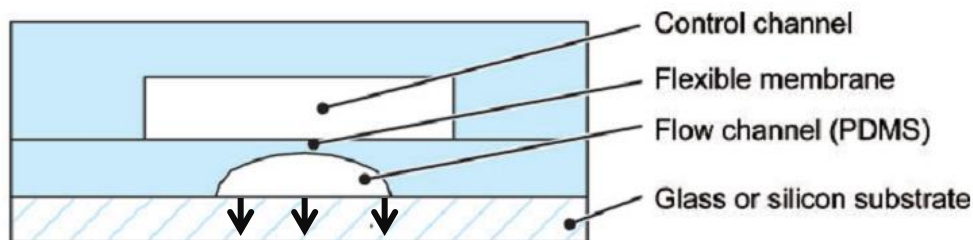
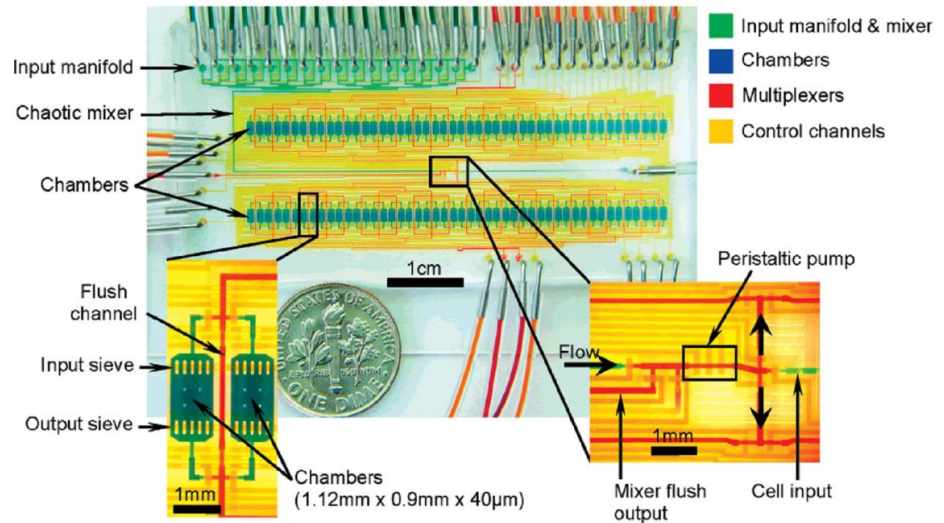
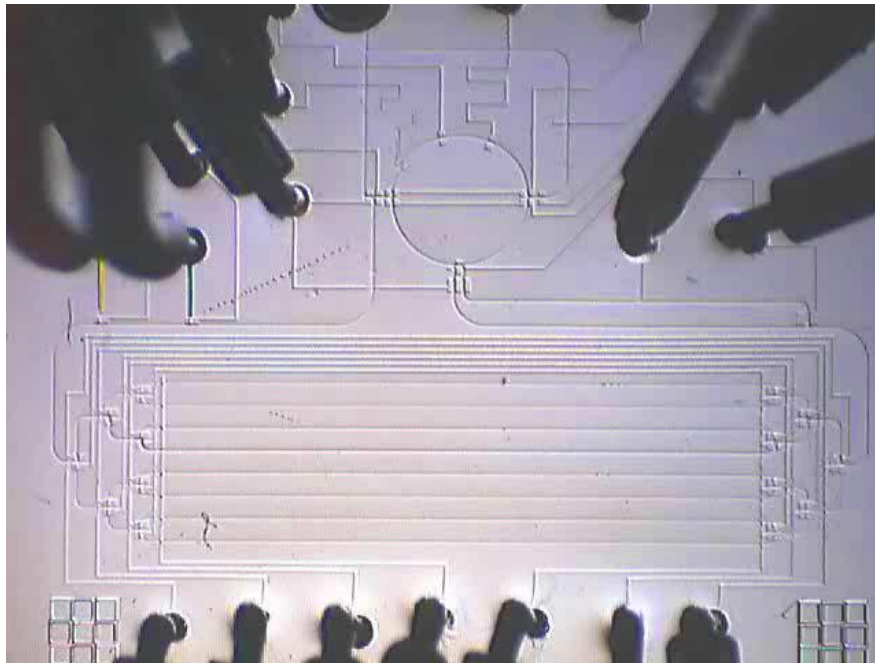


EWOD: Electrodewetting on Dielectric



Source: Advanced Liquid Logic (now Illumina) and Duke Univ.

Demonstration of Flow-Based Microfluidics

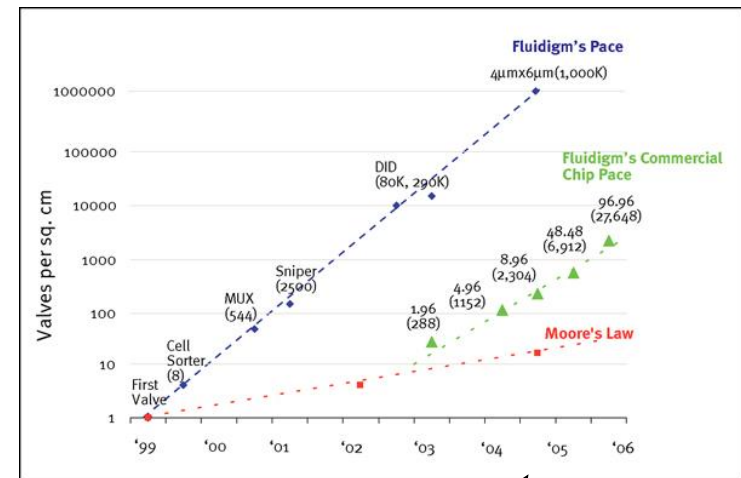
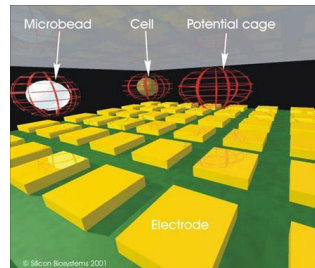
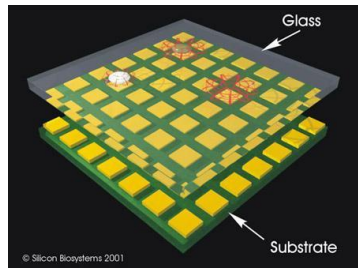
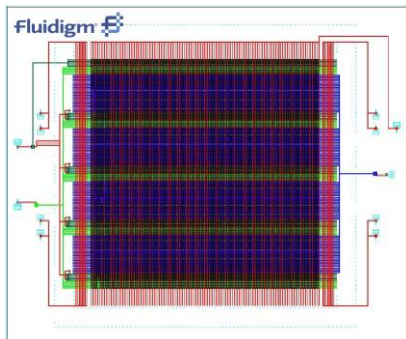


T. Thorsen, S. J. Maerkl, and S. R. Quake, "Microfluidic Large-scale Integration," Science, Oct. 2002.



The Need of CAD Support

- Applications become more complicated
 - Large-scale bioassays
 - Multiple and concurrent assay operations on a biochip
- Design complexity is increased
 - The increasing rate of the valve numbers is **four** times faster than Moore's Law
 - 25,000 valves for 9,216 PCR^{*}
 - 600,000 electrodes for tumor cell analysis^{**}



Source: Fluidigm

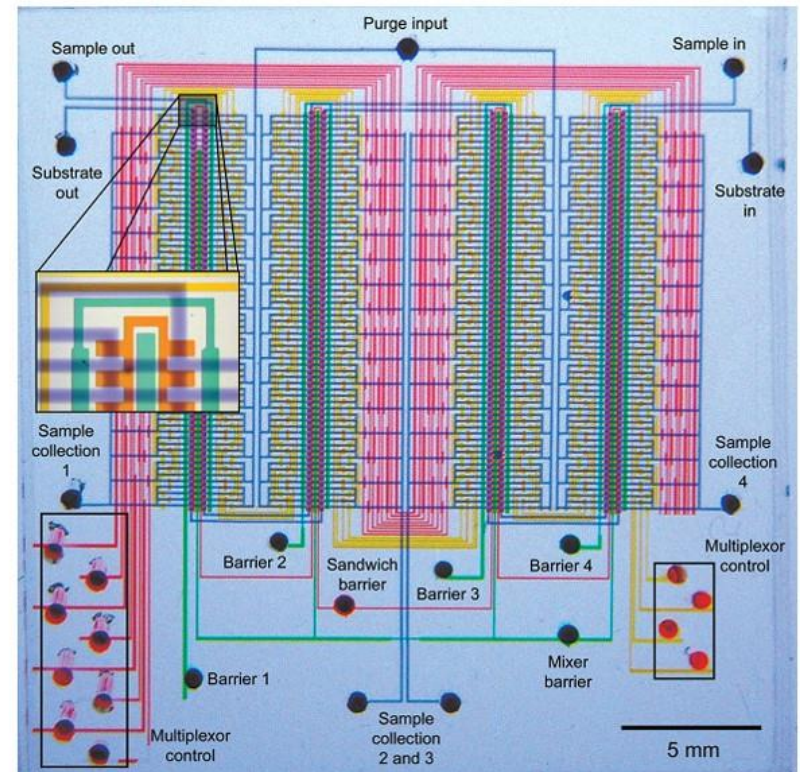
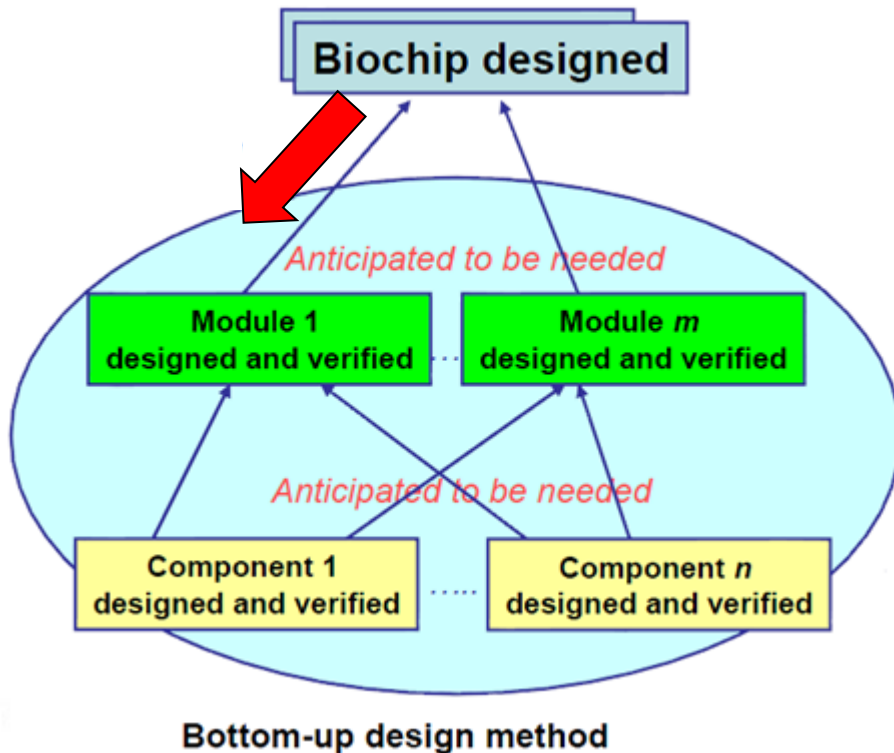
* Perkel, Science, 2008

** Silicon Biosystems, <http://www.siliconbiosystems.com/applications/>

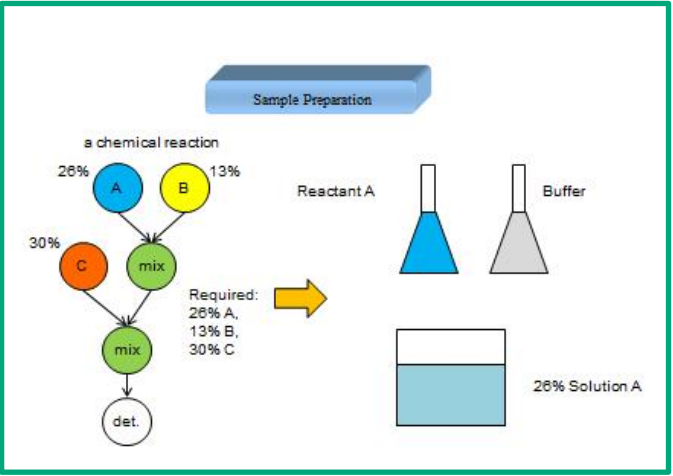
Computer-Aided Design
(CAD)

Current Design Methodology

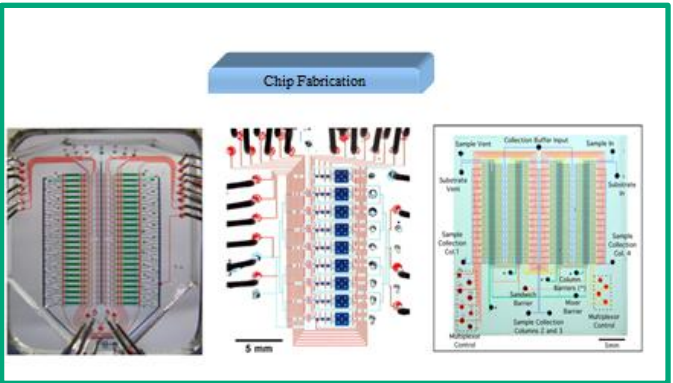
- CAD tools are in their infancy
 - Bottom-up design methodology
 - Most groups use Matlab or AutoCAD
 - Limited automation; every line drawn by hand; manual control



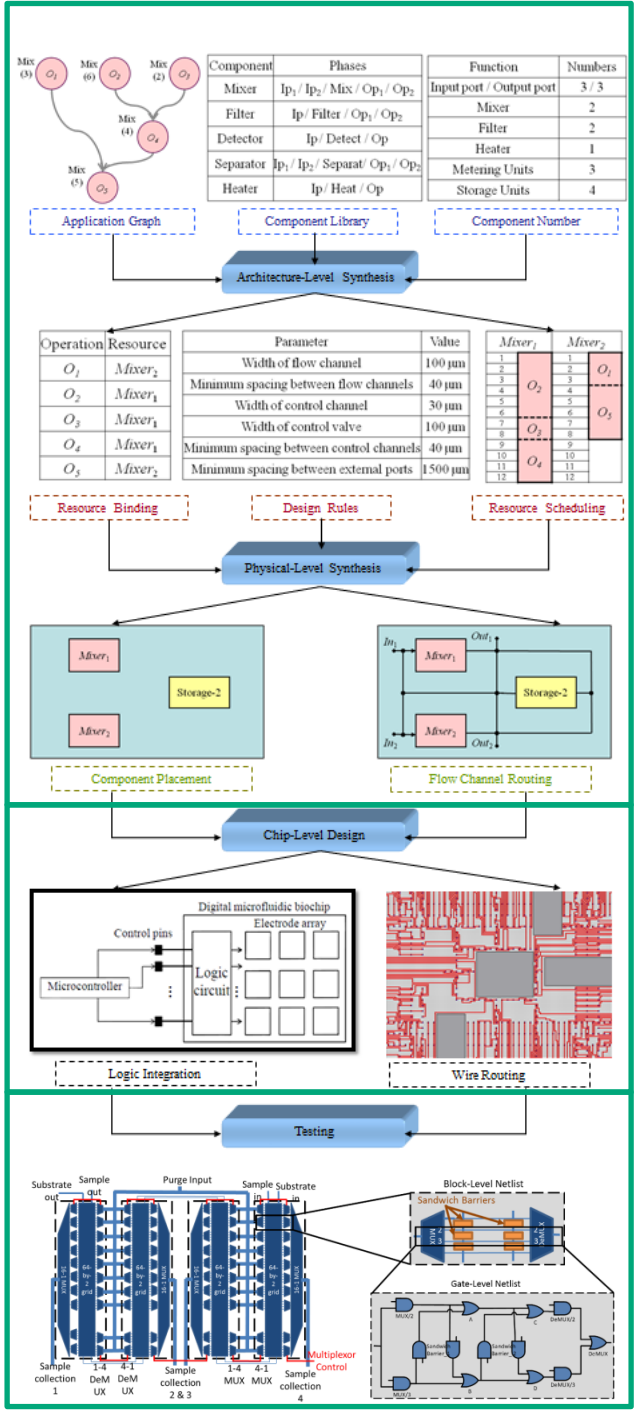
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生物晶片上之
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高整合度微流
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國際合作



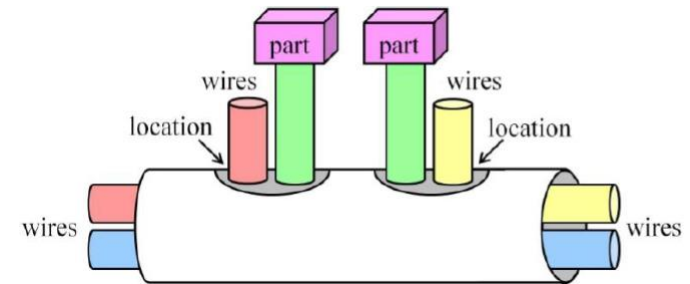
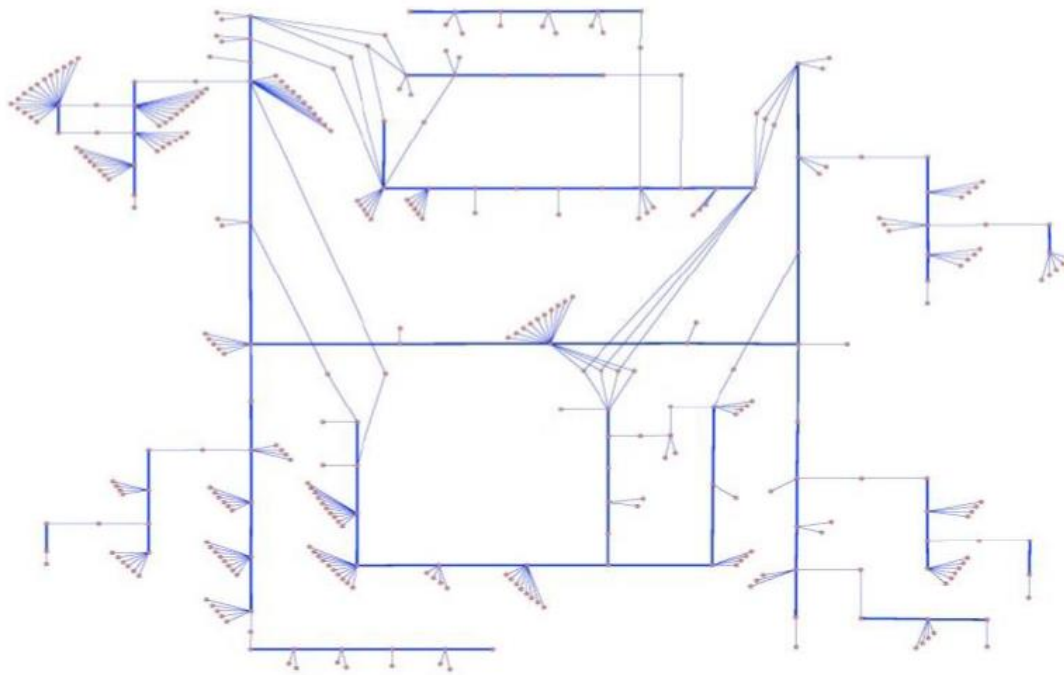
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Design Automation for Emerging Technologies

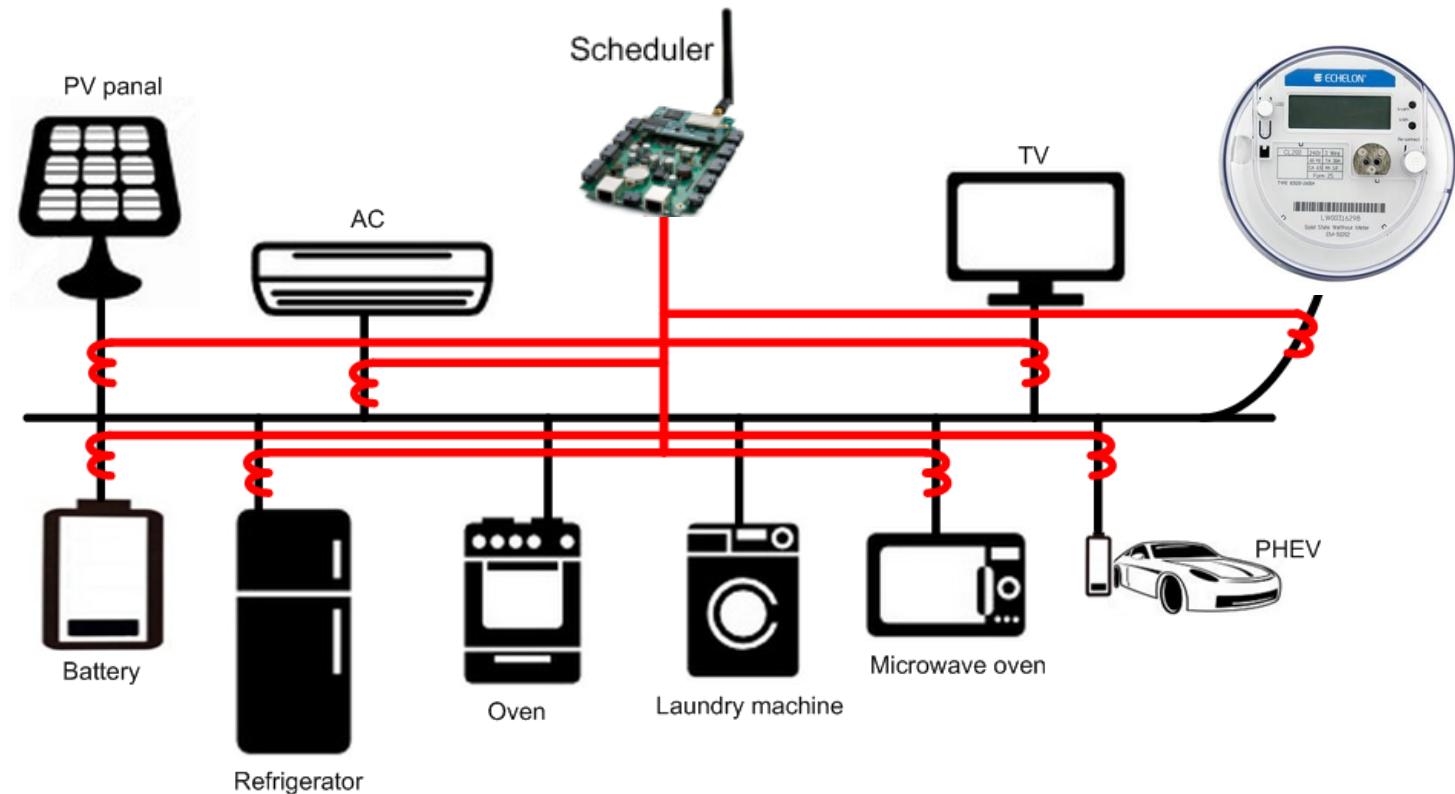
Ex: Wire Routing for Automotive System



International Collaboration with UC Berkeley

Design Automation for Emerging Technologies

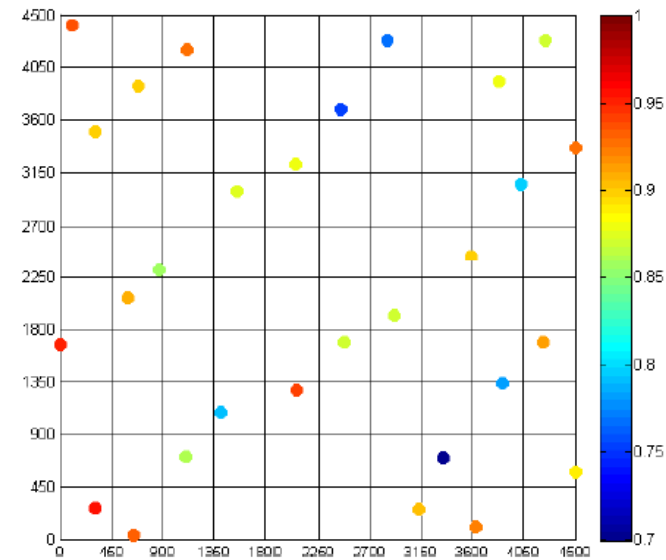
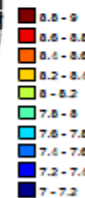
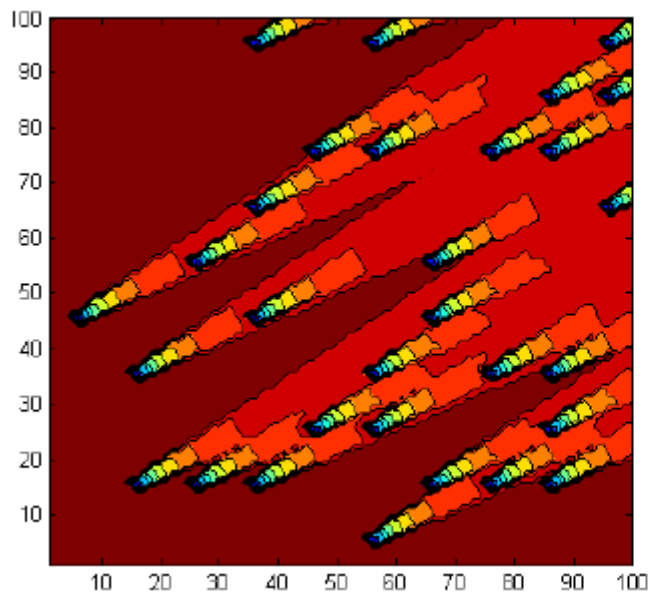
Ex: Design Automation for Smart Home System



International Collaboration with Michigan Technological University

Design Automation for Emerging Technologies

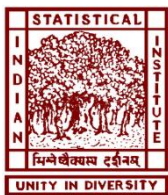
Ex: Design Automation for Wind Farm Design



International Collaboration with University of Missouri and IBM

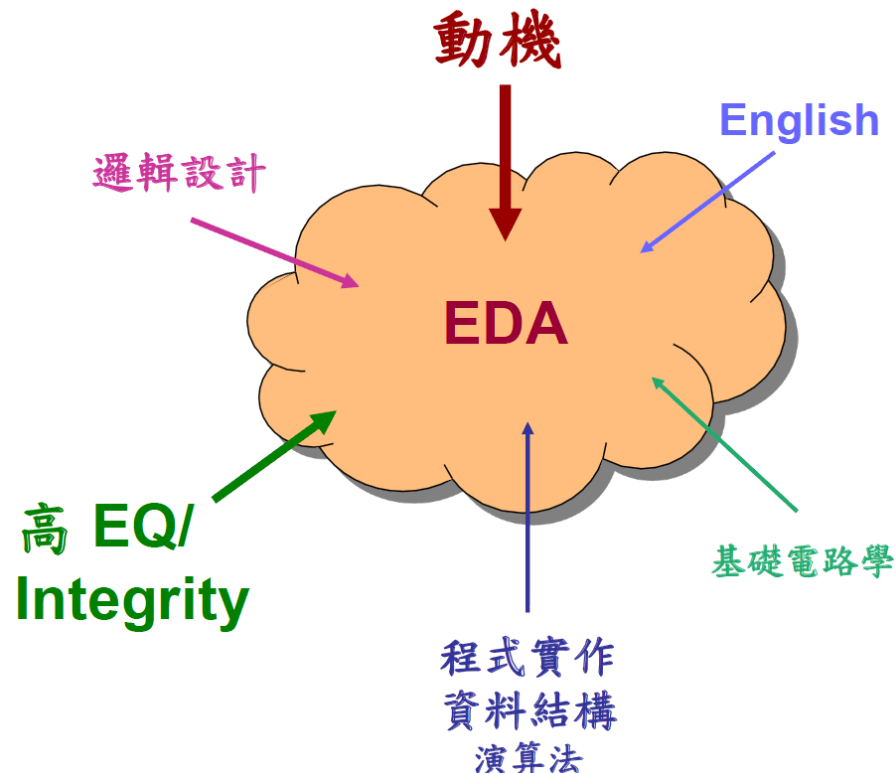
International Collaboration

- Collaborators:
 - Prof. Bhargab Bhattacharya (India Statistical Institute)
 - Prof. Philip Brisk (University of California at Riverside)
 - Prof. Krishnendu Chakrabarty (Duke University)
 - Prof. Steven Quake (Stanford University)
 - Prof. Paul Pop (Technical University of Denmark)
 - Prof. Ulf Schlichtmann (Technical University of Munich)
 - Dr. Robert Wille (University of Bremen)
 - Prof. Shigeru Yamashita (Ritsumeikan University)
 - Prof. Hao Yu (Nanyang Technological University)
- Duke University's Microfluidics Research Lab
- Stanford Microfluidics Foundry



For Prospective Students

- We're recruiting **1 Ph.D.** and **2~3 M.S.** students
 - Please send your contact information with supporting materials (resume, transcript, paper, and etc) to tyho@cs.nctu.edu.tw
- Requirements



New Blood wanted!

- We desperately eager for talented students joining us to claim challenging and exciting research projects
- Yes, you are one of the talents!

