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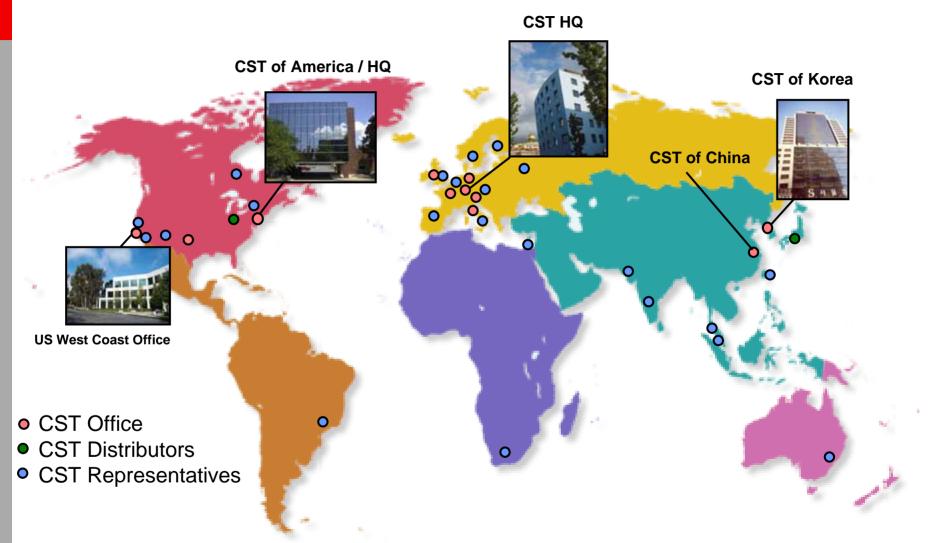
3D EM Simulation of Circuit Environments

CMOS VCSEL Driver Design using CST MICROWAVE STUDIO® and Agilent ADS

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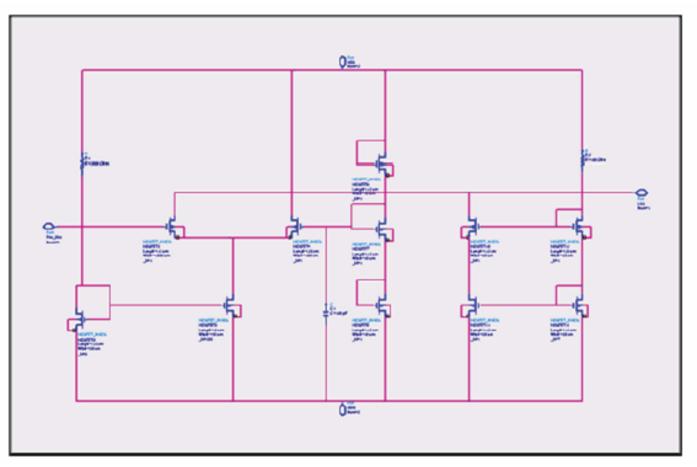
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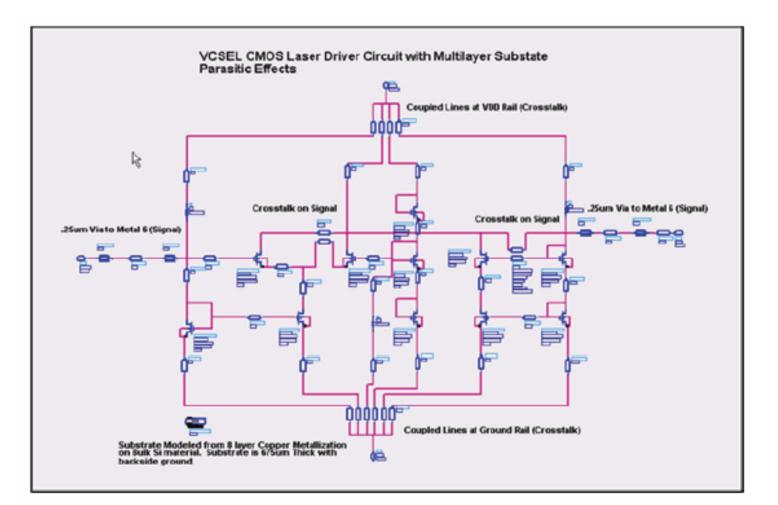


We briefly explore several approaches to modeling the OEIC driver design starting with a purely analog approach with no parasitics or other physical effects. The circuit performance is monitored as more and more physical effects are included. The highest fidelity modeling includes a CST MWS 3D model for the package.



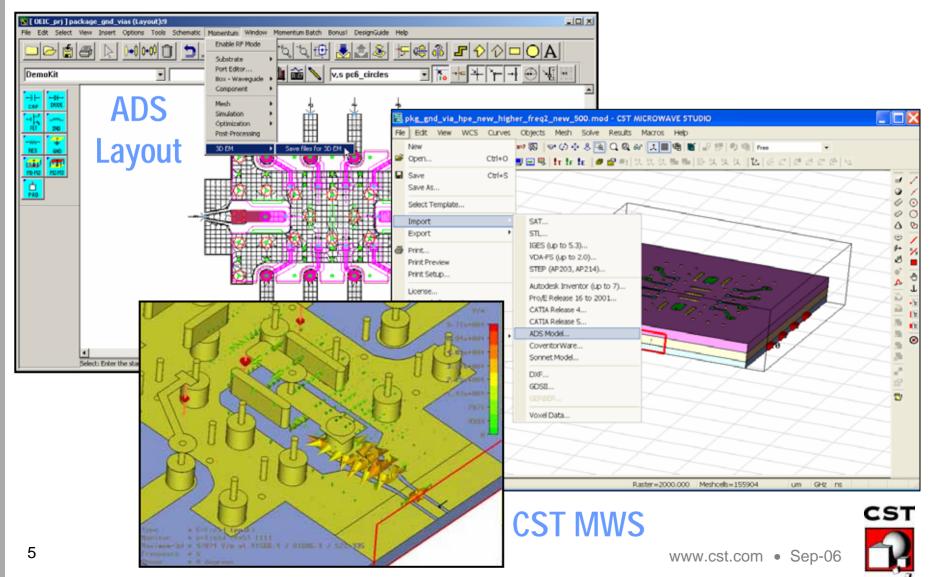


Multilayer parasitics and substrate modeling

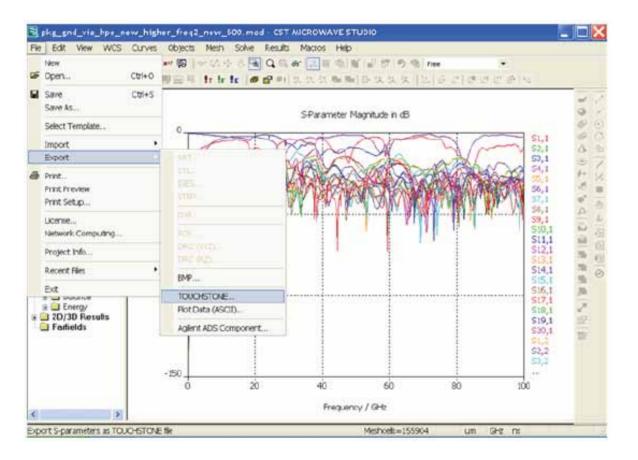




Package model imported to CST MWS from Agilent momentum

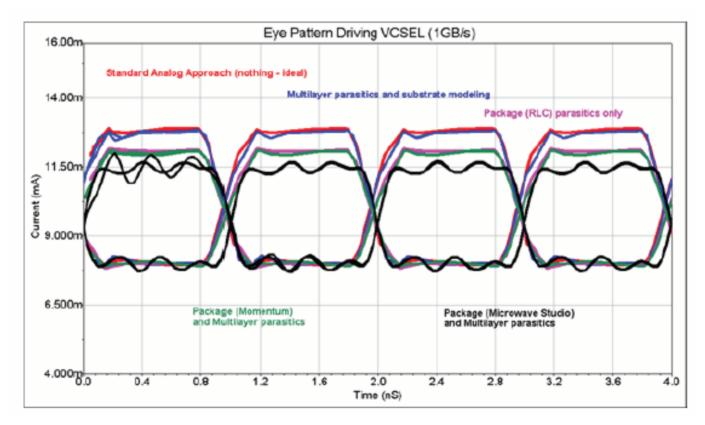


The test bench for the driver design was used to simulate various cases (ideal circuit with no parasitics, circuit with multilayer library components, circuit with multilayer components and Agilent momentum solution of the package, circuit with multilayer components and CST MWS solution of the package), all at two different data rates of 1GB/sec and 2.5 GB/sec.





At 1 gigabit per second, the circuit is well behaved and the eye transitions which include the 3D EM effects are distinct. At 2.5 gigabits per second, once again it is evident that increasing the level of physical effects in the simulation results in greater emphasis of non-idealities in the design.



Results for 1 GB/sec data rate simulation



Agilent ADS and CST MWS Co-Simulation Flow

