

NEXS Software

CAD navigation and design debug solutions

NEXS Software goes far beyond a CAD viewer and stage driver by facilitating fault isolation, failure analysis, sample preparation and circuit edit.

Thermo Scientific™ NEXS Software enables diverse workflows by providing CAD connectivity with Thermo Scientific analytical equipment.

NEXS Software directly reads/displays the mask data and drives the system stage accurately to fault or edit locations.

Technical specifications

- Windows® 10-Runs on Thermo Scientific Support PC (SPC)
- 64-bit Linux OS-Can run on Linux server farm, network or local server
- RAM and hard drive requirements vary with CAD database sizes

Database file formats supported

- GDS2
- · Gnuzip compressed GDS2 (.gz) for Linux only
- OASIS

Thermo Scientific equipment supported

- PFA: Helios, Scios, Apreo, Prisma, Verios, Quattro
- EFA: Meridian, WaferScan, ELITE, nProber
- Circuit Edit: Centrios, Taipan, OptiFIB IV, V400 ACE

Key features

Reads/displays GDS2 and OASIS mask data

Creates cache database for faster re-load, rendering and tracing (GDS only)

Connects to most Thermo Scientific tools used for EFA, PFA and Circuit Edit space

Supports overlaying CAD on microscope image

Auto-syncs position/magnification between NEXS and Circuit Edit system for a more seamless user experience

Annotates layout, navigates by text location point, and receives marked hotspot locations

Reads popular box, text and net trace formats (.vl, .dl, .hl)

Traces/highlights nets and cells

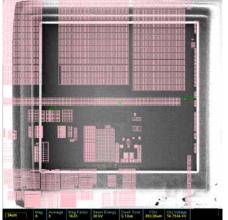
Reads software diagnostic callouts and scan chains from various formats (.vl, .sigps.txt, query.txt)



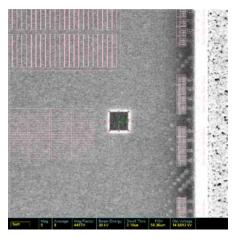
NEXS Workflow - CAD overlay for Circuit Edit



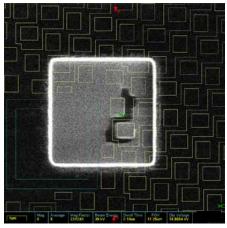
(a) N-well exposure posttrenching operation



(b) N-well FIB image overlayed with CAD image to identify ROI for edit

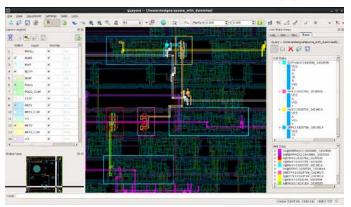


(c) Mill box precisely positioned using CAD overlay

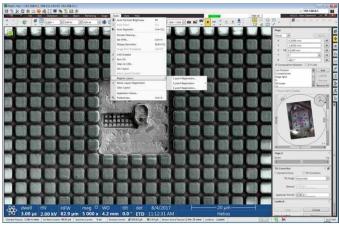


(d) Final exposed ROI based on CAD assisted positioning of mill box

Additional features for EFA applications



Highlight net traces and cells in GDS/Oasis databases



Overlay CAD with live image



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