DESIGN STEPS & ANALYSIS FOR MOEMS

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Abstract :

MOEMS is the technology which is now taking shape in commercial way to fulfill present industrial requirement. It requires reliable method for design optical, mechanical & electronics in micro level for bulk manufacturing. Mechanical engineering design requires configuring optimum geometry and dimensions of the components that are to be assembled into Microsystems. Structural integrity and functional integrity with reliability are the primary goals of design. In general micro-system system involves major three tasks i.e. process flow design, electromechanical and structural design and design verification that include packaging and testing for successful design.

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Introduction:- MOEMS technology is a new approach to combine micro optics and MOEMS (Micro Electro Mechanical Systems). This technology started in late 1990's. it had given a new family of miniaturized devices with enormous potential to revoluturning Photonic systems. The growth of MOEMS market be about 1.6 per year; with the market size reaching \$4 billion is 2007.

It contains components of sizes in 1 micrometer (μm) to 1 millimeter (mm). It is constructed to achieve a certain engineering function.

The core elements in MOEMS generally consist of two principal components, a sensing or actuating elements and a signal transduction unit.

Typical MOEMS products are CD player, Hard Disk, Flat Panel display, inkjet printer, mobile phone, Air bag, optical telecommunication applications.

MOEMS Design: The designs generally work or both top down and bottom-up approach described in fig 1.

In top down approach evolves from a system model where the system architect makes design tradeoffs and determines the individual components specifications. In a high level simulators, users work with libraries of individual components with symbols that can be connected and configured to solve most MOEMS problem.

In bottom up designs flow begins with the available processes and involves detailed layout of the device, wither generated from a systems model or created with traditional layout tools.

In another way it includes these sub phases given in fig. 2. The first phase is optical or functional designs. It involves choosing the geometry and optical characteristics for the MOEMS, so that it will perform the desired functions.

The second process is the electro mechanical design of the MOEMS device. It involves iterature, detailed and self consistent calculations of the electronics and the mechanics of the devices. It includes varying degrees, material parameters and physical characteristics.

The third phase is process designs. Here, the patterning, material depositions and etching steps, which must be done sequentially to produce the desired devices with the needed performance. All can be defined in fig 3.

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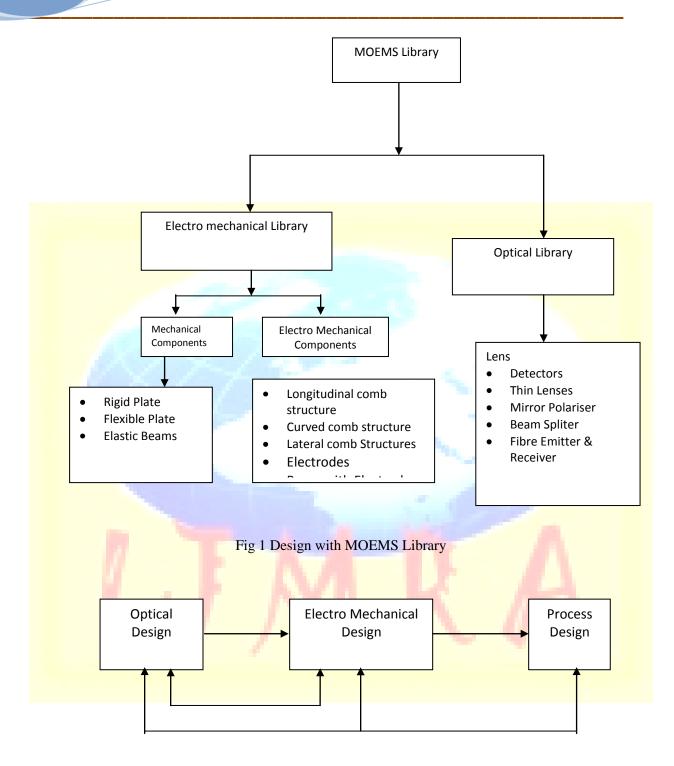


Fig 2 Design phase

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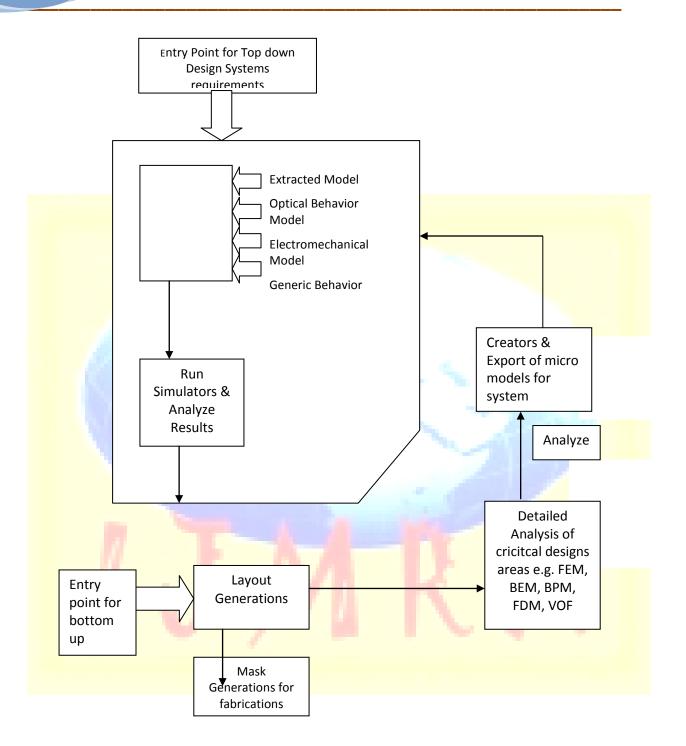


Fig 3 MOEMS Designs flow combining top down and bottom up.

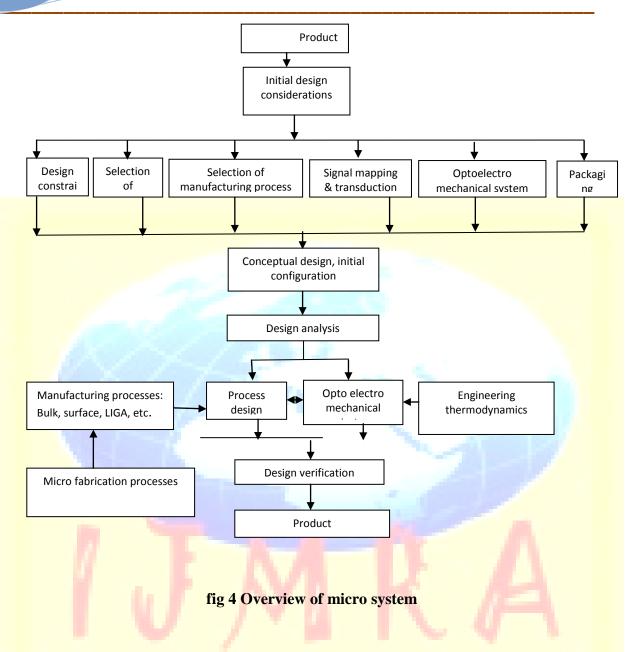
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The diagram in fig 4 indicates that once the product is properly defined by a specification, a number of particular items need to considered. These item includes

• Design constraint:

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- Selection of materials
- Selection of manufacturing process
- Signal mapping & transduction
- Opto electro mechanical system
- Packaging of the product

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After these considerations the development of the initial configuration of the product in terms of geometry, dimensions, materials and the fabrication & packaging methods

Design constraints can be many like customer demands, time of market, environmental conditions, physical size & weight limitations, types of applications, fabrication facility & costs.

Selection of materials considers substrate materials, with various properties, materials which is used for packaging

Selection of manufacturing processes defines the approach of bulk micro maching, surface micromachining other high aspect ratio processes.

Selection of signal transduction for both micro sensors & actuators. In either case there is a need to convert chemical, optical, thermal, or mechanical such as motion or other physical behavior of MOEMS components into an electrical signal or vice versa. Signal mapping is also considered.

Opto electro mechanical system is the system where without electrical power system it cannot be imagined. A preliminary assessment on the interface between the mechanical actions and the electrical system is needed in order to configure the product.

Packaging includes opto electro mechanical isolation, signal conditioning & processing, mechanical joints, processes for tunneling and then film lifting, system & procedures for system assembly, products reliability & performance testing

Modeling of MOEMS:-

- 1. System level model- it employs a top down design approach that hierarchically breaks down into manageable components.
- Toolbox model micro components as tool which commonly used in MOEMS integrated and then used for validation.
- Components models Each component described geometrically and parametrically electro mechanical and optical.

Conclusions:

The current literature is a comprehensive capability for the designs and analysis of MOEMS system. For initial design top down approach starts with systems requirements and uses parametric elements, optical, electronics and mechanical aspects are considered for simulators. For process design bottom up approach is beneficial. For optimal performance both type of approach is suitable

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