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Drawing CAD files with scripting
for Micro/Nanofabrication &
Introducing NUFAB's new JEOL
4700 FIB/SEM



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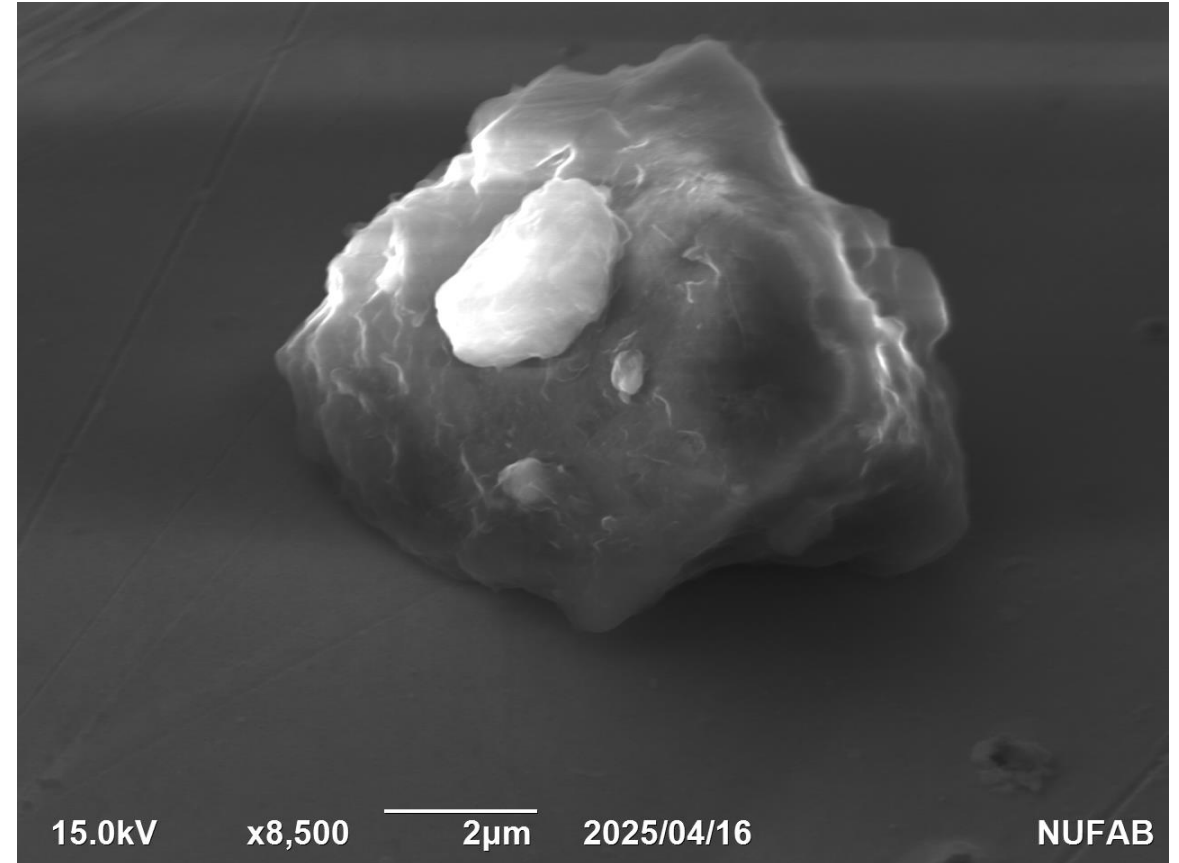
System Overview

- The JEOL JIB-4700F features a focused ion beam installed within a high-resolution SEM.
 - Schottky field-emission.
 - Stable high current emission.
- Pieces up to 4" wafers are allowed.
- Gallium Liquid Metal Ion Source.
- Energy Dispersive X-Ray Spectroscopy.



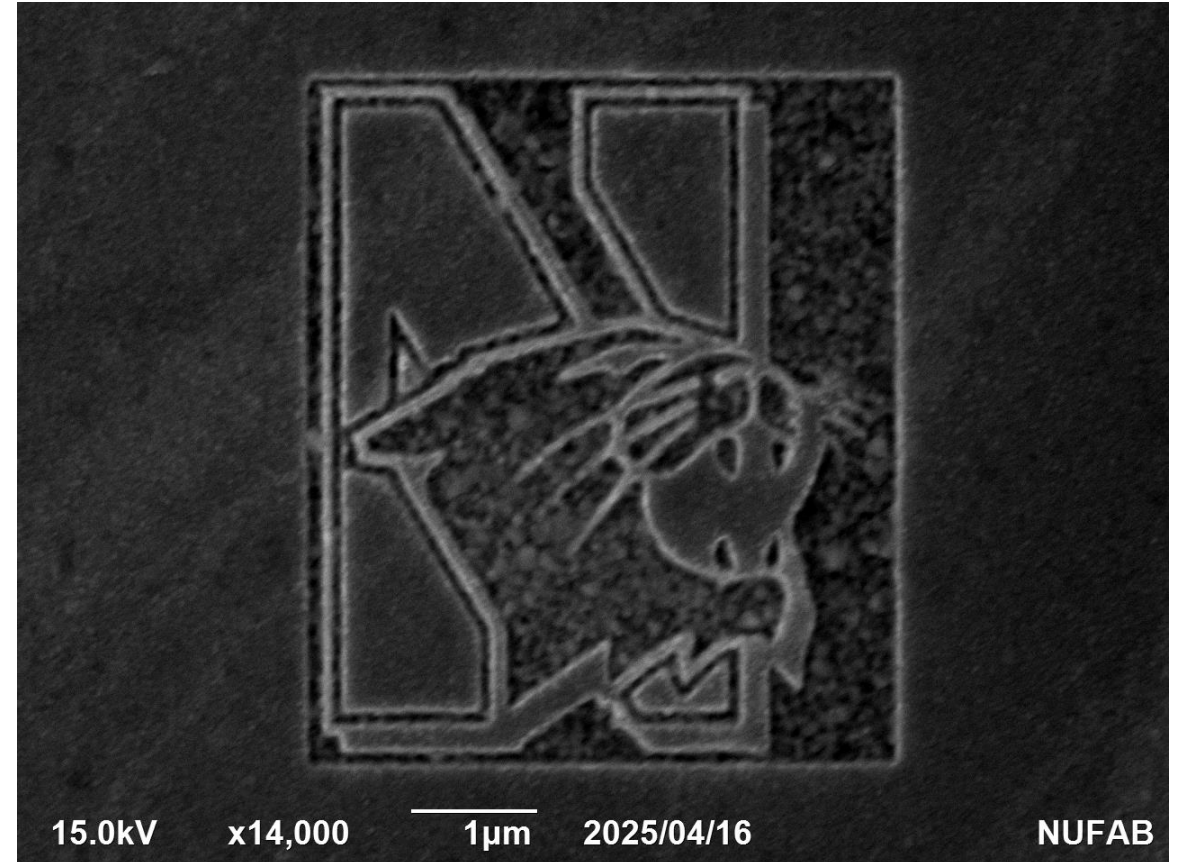
Available Detectors

- Lower Electron Detector (Everhart–Thornley detector)
 - Electron and Gallium Ion Detection.
- Upper Electron Detector (In lens detector).
 - Secondary and backscattered detection with screening.
- Backscattered Electron Detector.
 - Contrast and topographical imaging.
- Energy Dispersive X-Ray Spectroscopy.



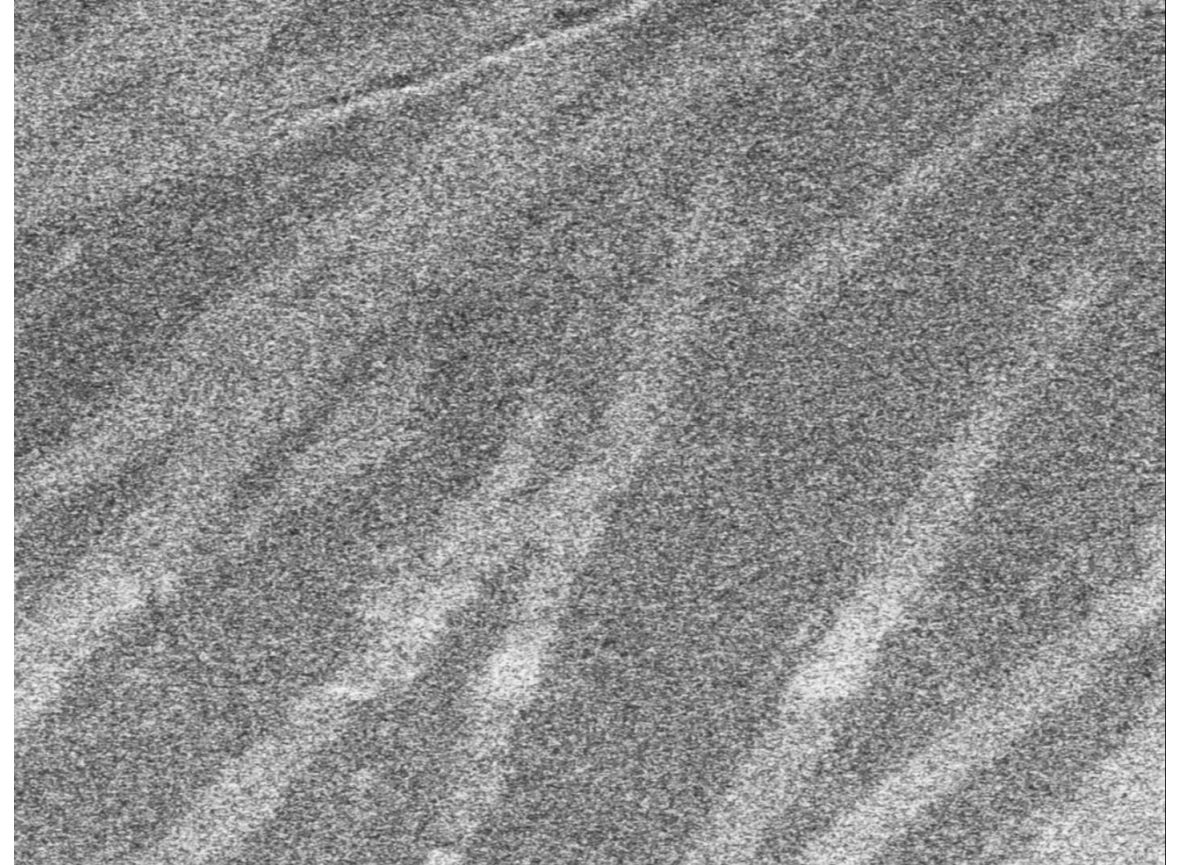
Electron Optical System

- ZrO/W Cathode.
- Resolution: 1.2 *nm* at 15.0 *kV*.
 - $\times 20$ to 19,000 in Large Depth of Focus (LDF) mode.
 - $\times 20$ to 1,000,000 magnification.
 - Working Distance: 1.5 to 40 *mm*.
- Accelerating Voltage: 0.5 to 30 *kV*.
- Beam Current: 1 *pA* to 300 *nA*.
- Specimen Bias Voltage: to -2.0 *kV*.



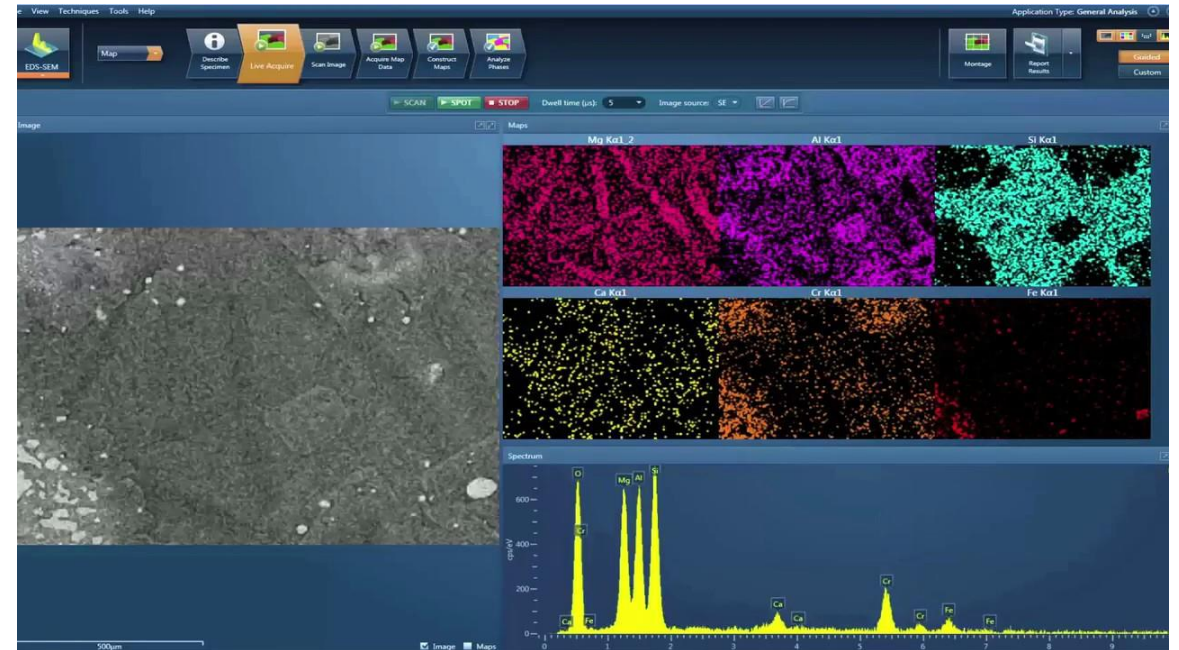
Ion Optical System

- Resolution 4.0 *nm* at 30 *kV*.
 - $\times 50$ to 300,000 magnification
- Beam Current: 1 *pA* to 90 *nA*.
- Maximum processing dimension: 1.28 *mm* $\times$ 0.96 *mm*.
- Dwell Time: 0.4 μs to 100,000 $\mu\text{s}/\text{point}$.
- Milling and Deposition possible.
 - Carbon, Platinum, and Tungsten precursors available.

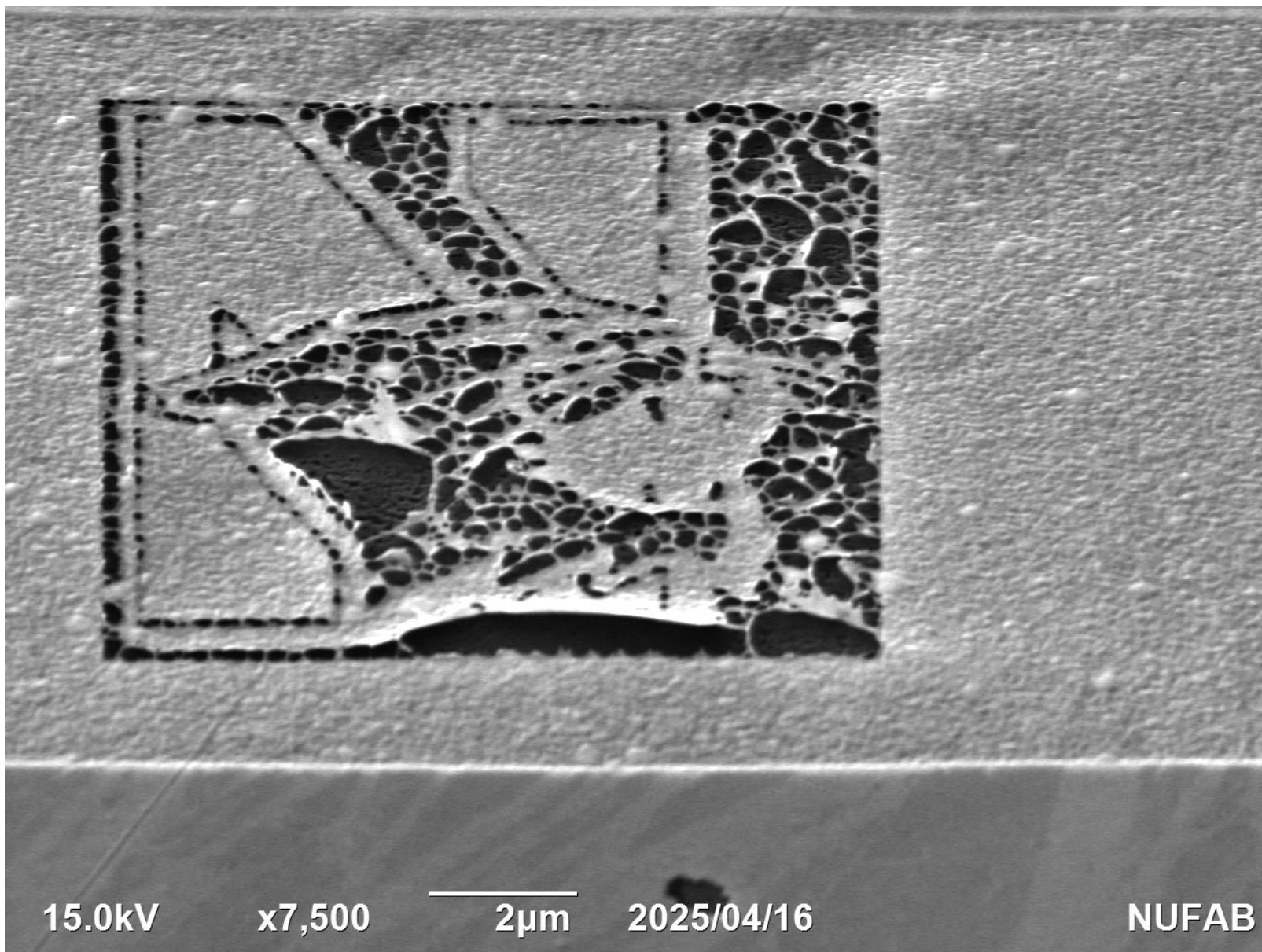


Energy Dispersive X-ray Spectroscopy

- Oxford Ultim Max
 - High speed SDD Detector (No LN2 required).
- Energy resolution: Less than 127 eV.
- Detector area: 100 mm².
- Element detection range: Be(4) – Am(95).
- Maximum input count rate: > 150 *kcps*.
- Live data processing.

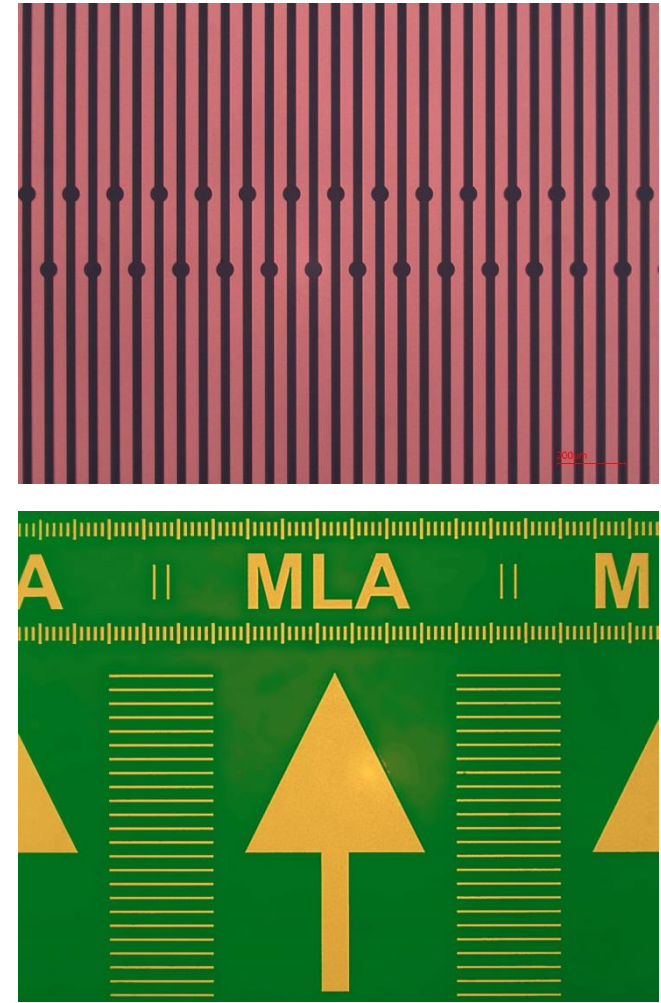


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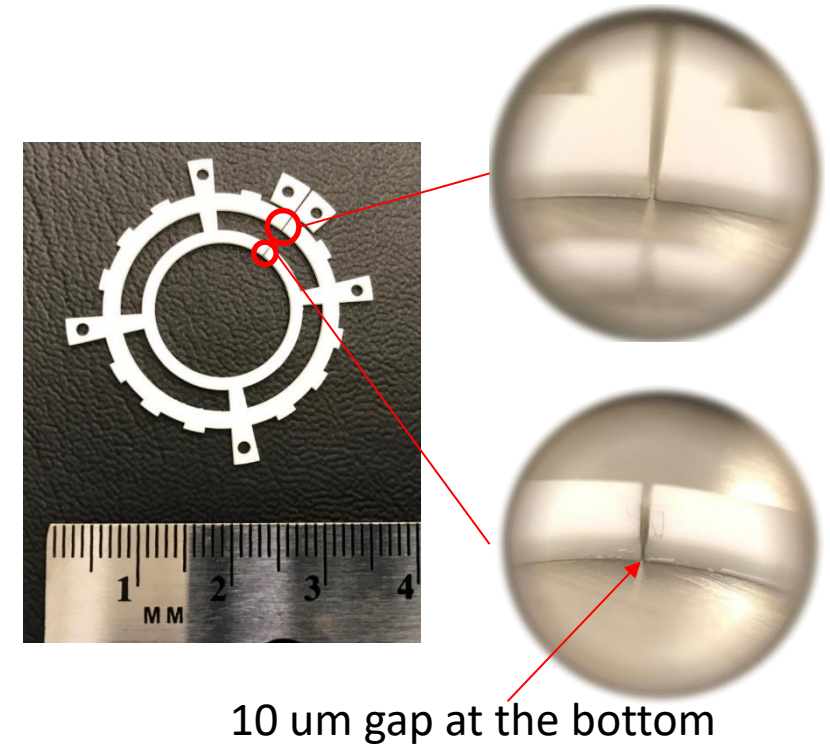
Computer Aided Design (CAD)

- Maskless Aligner Heidelberg MLA150
 - GDS, DXF
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- LPKF Protolaser R4
 - DXF
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 - GDS, CSF (Raith GDS)



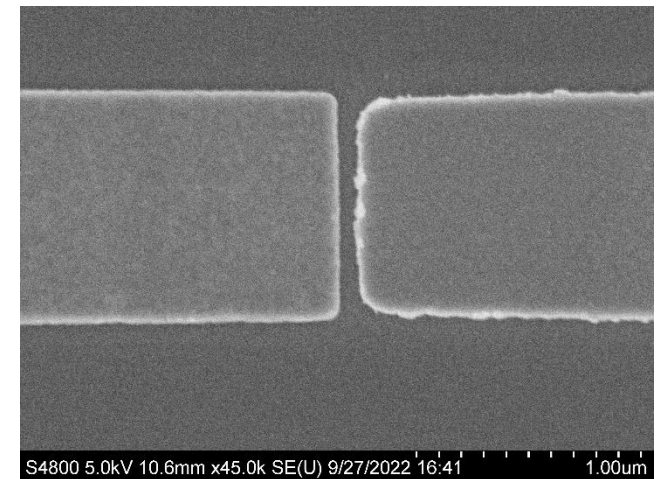
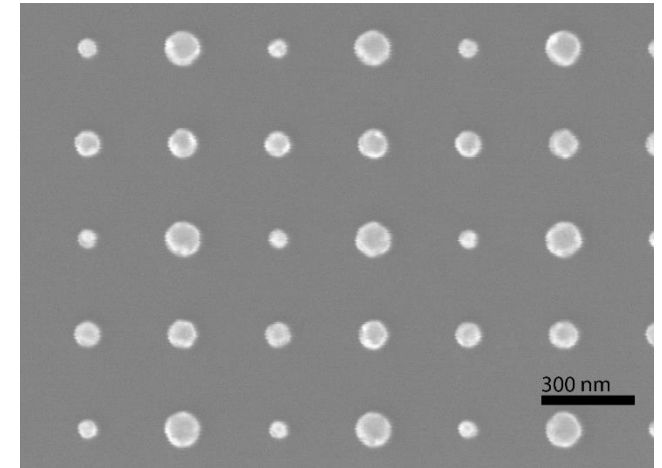
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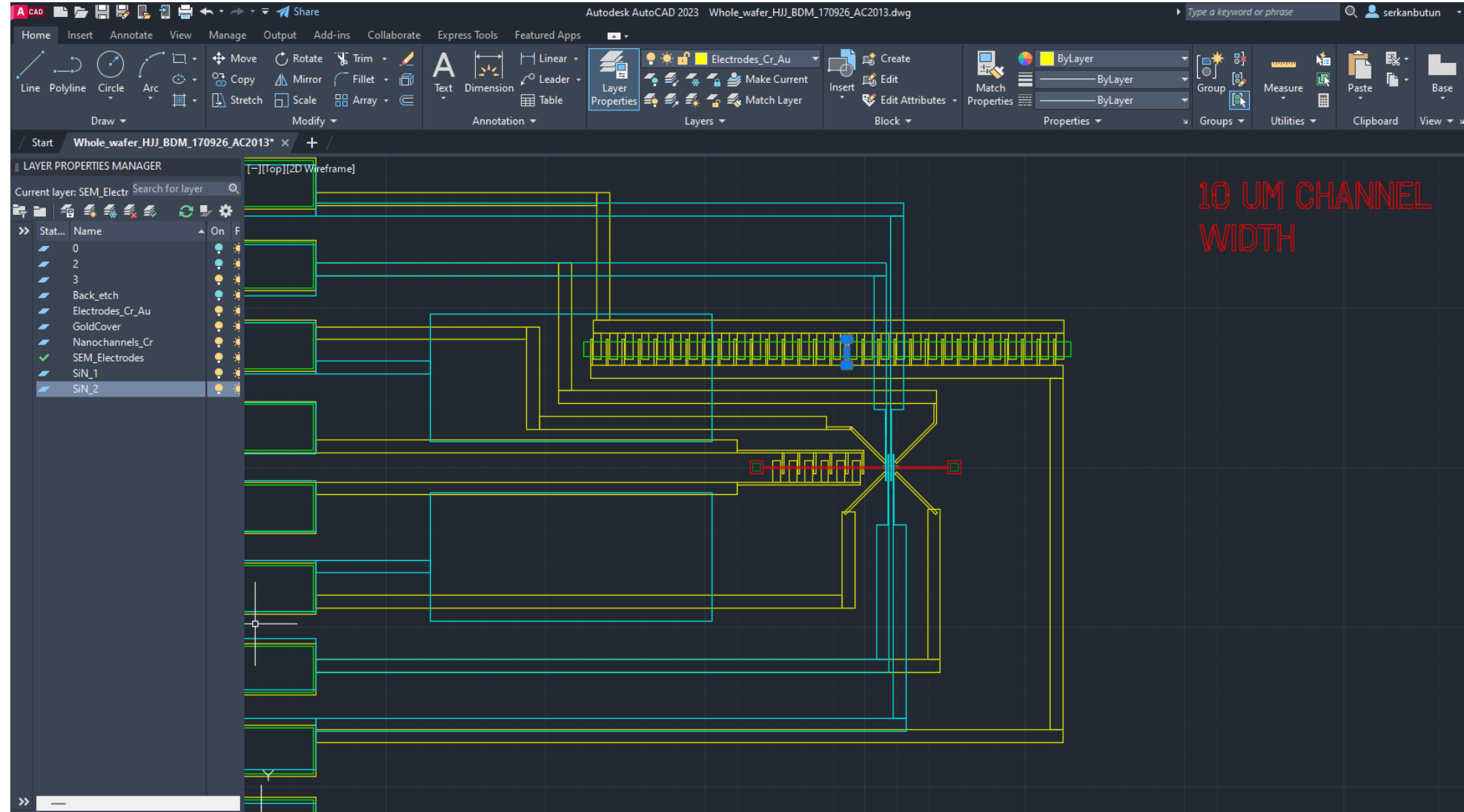


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AutoCAD

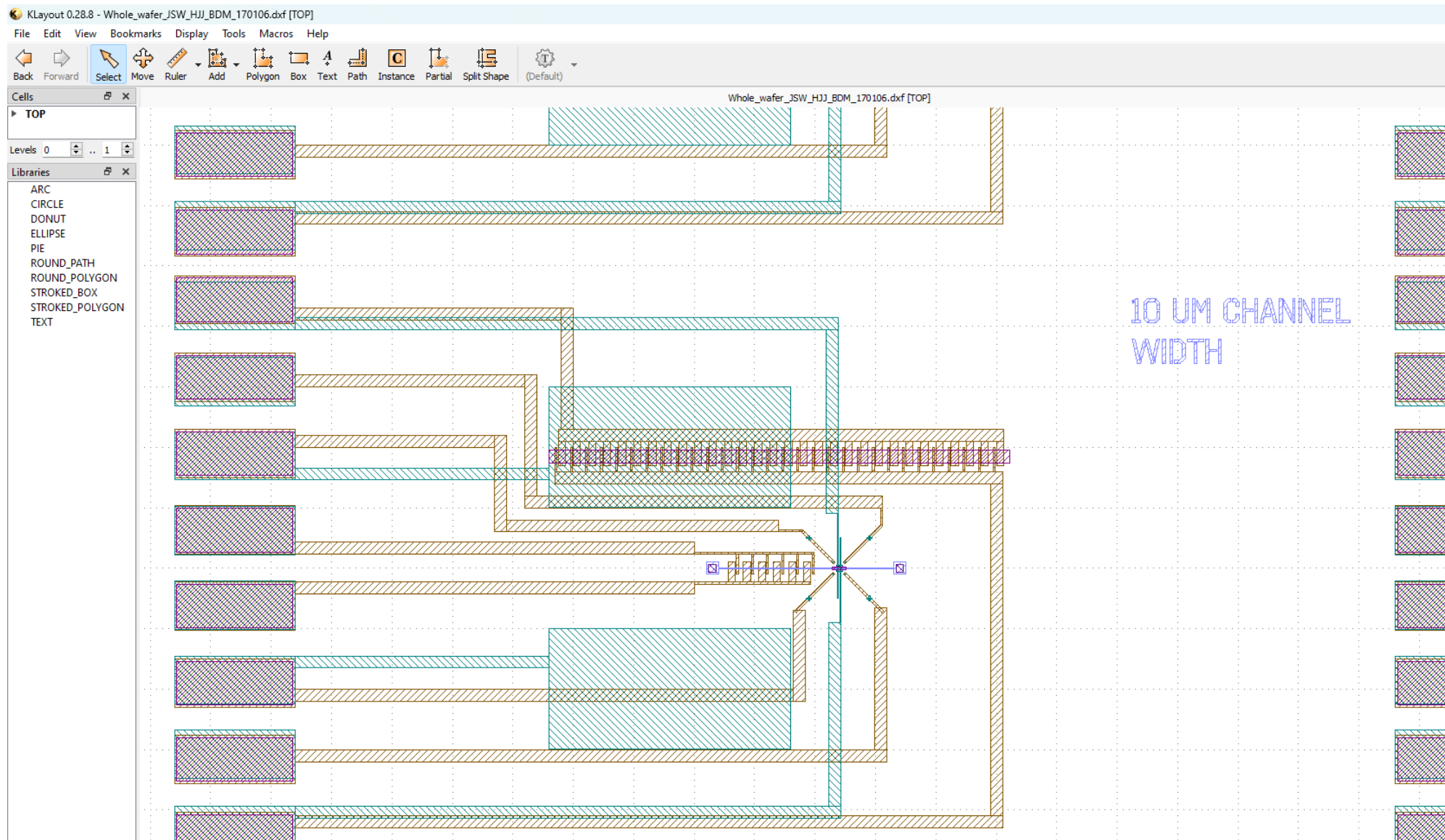


DXF

Expensive but free with
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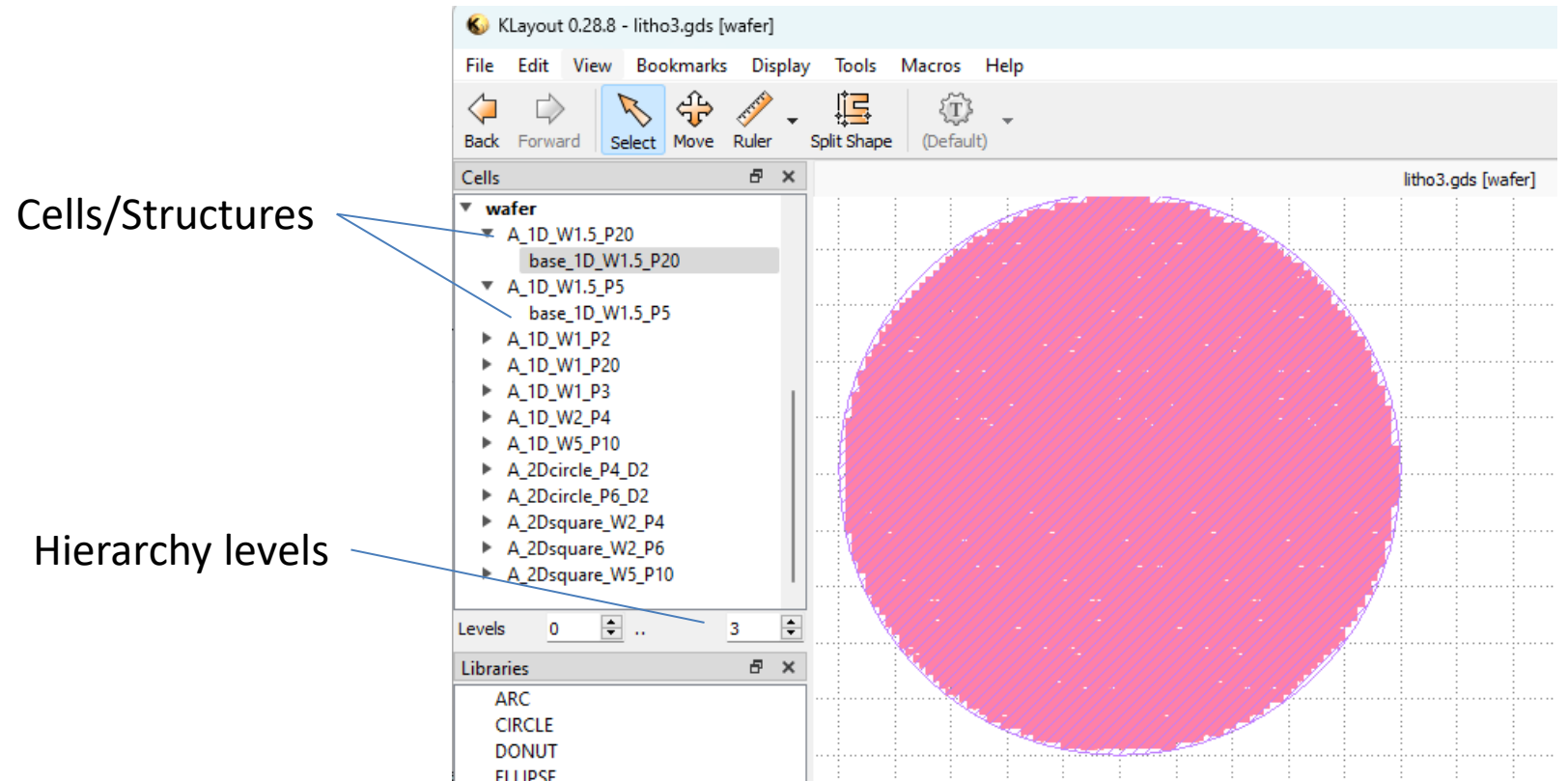
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GDS, DXF
opensource



Gds file type

- Memory efficient



Gds file type

- Objects available – polygons and paths (NO CIRCLES)
- 8191 points per object
 - Practical limit 600-1000 points
- EBL specific objects
 - Curved elements
 - Single pixel lines
 - Single pixel dots

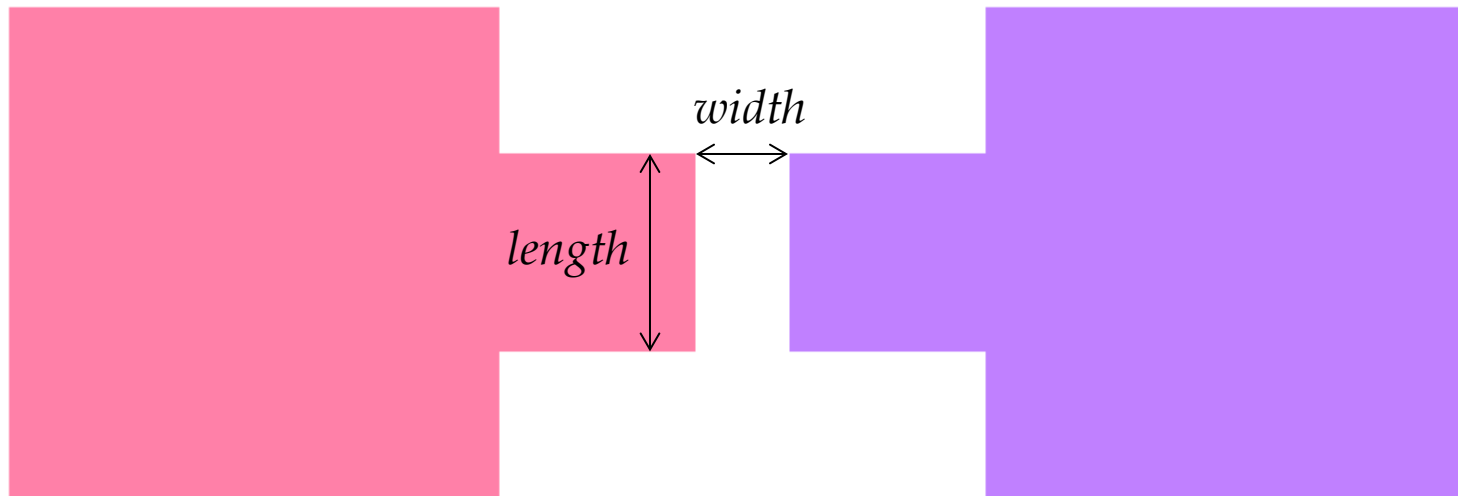
Objects/Shapes are defined differently in each type

GDS	DXF
Polygon	Polyline
Path	n.a.
n.a.	Circles
RaithCircles	n.a.
FBMS paths	n.a.

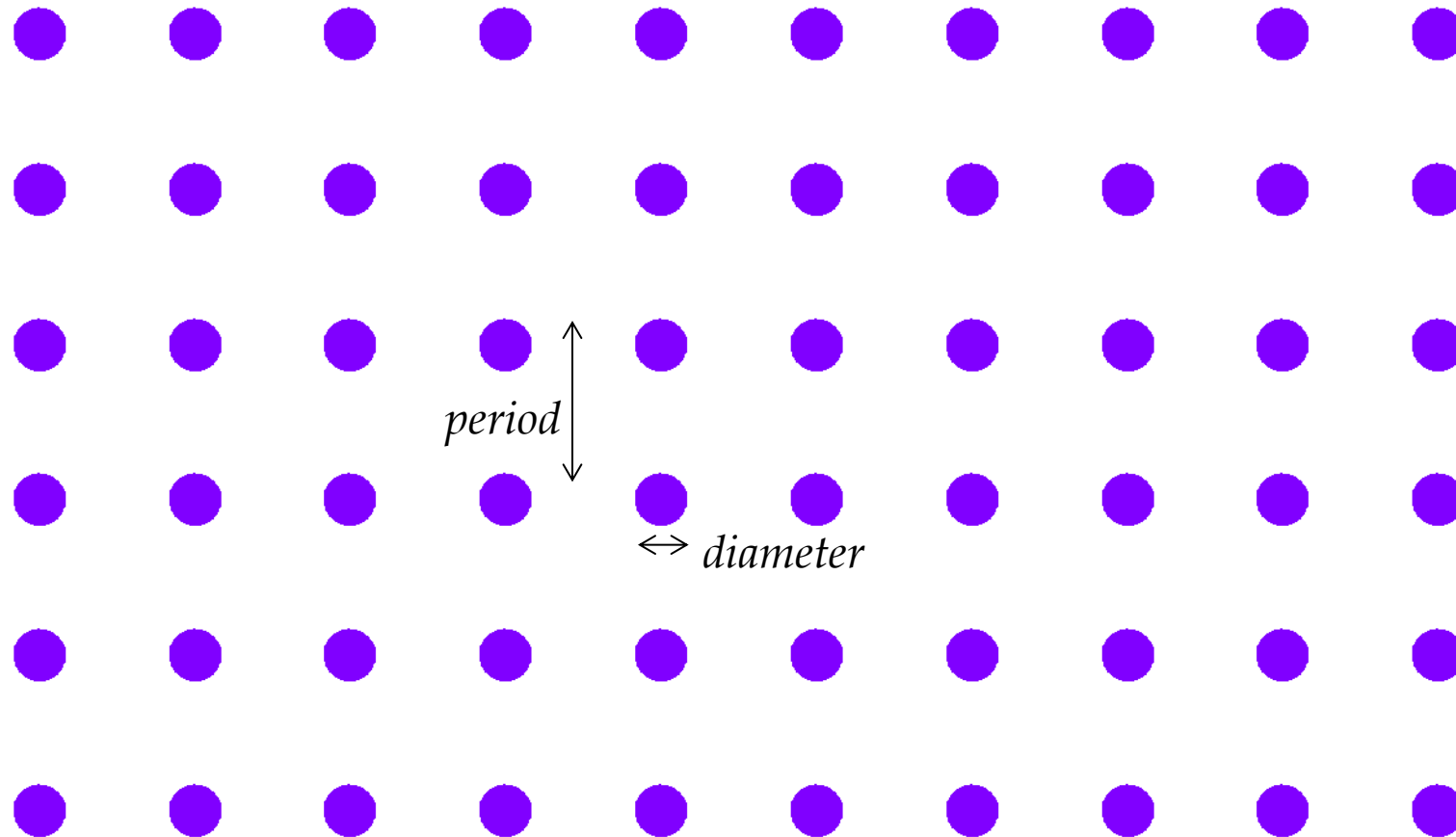
Available script libraries in GitHub

- **gdstk** – python library for handling standard GDS files
- **python-gdsii-raith** – adds support for Raith EBL specific shapes
- **Raith_GDSII** – Matlab library for Raith EBL
- **Gdsfactory** – python library capable of autorouting
- **ezdxf** - python library for handling DXF files

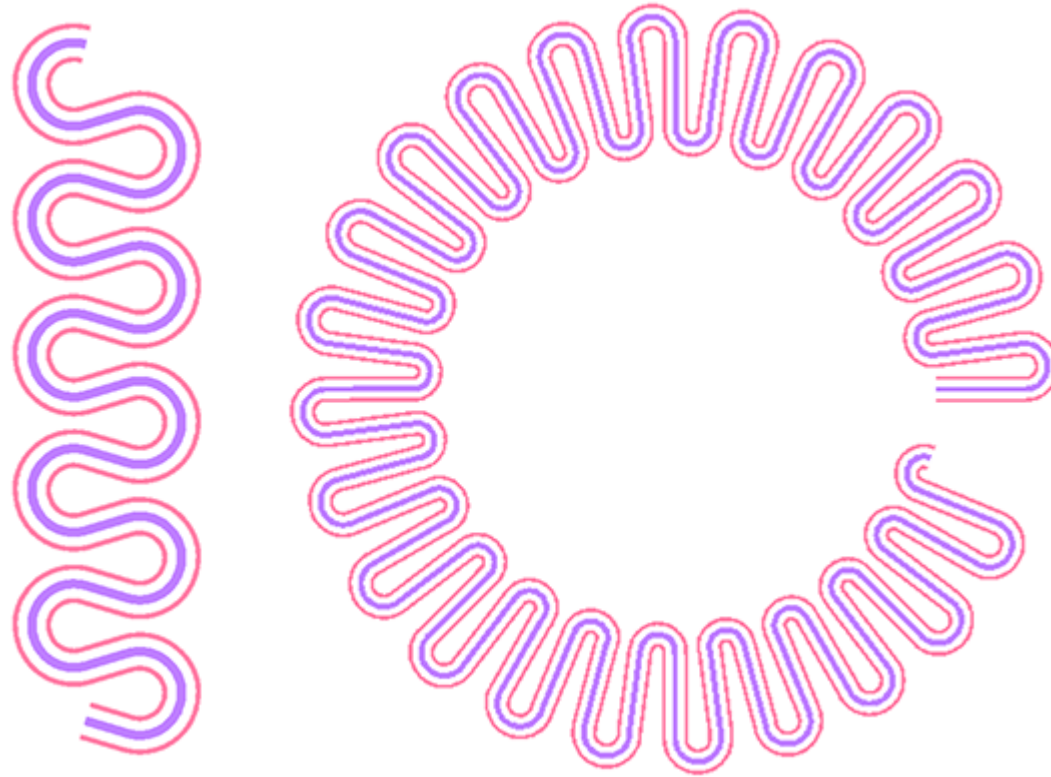
Example 1 – Parametric Device



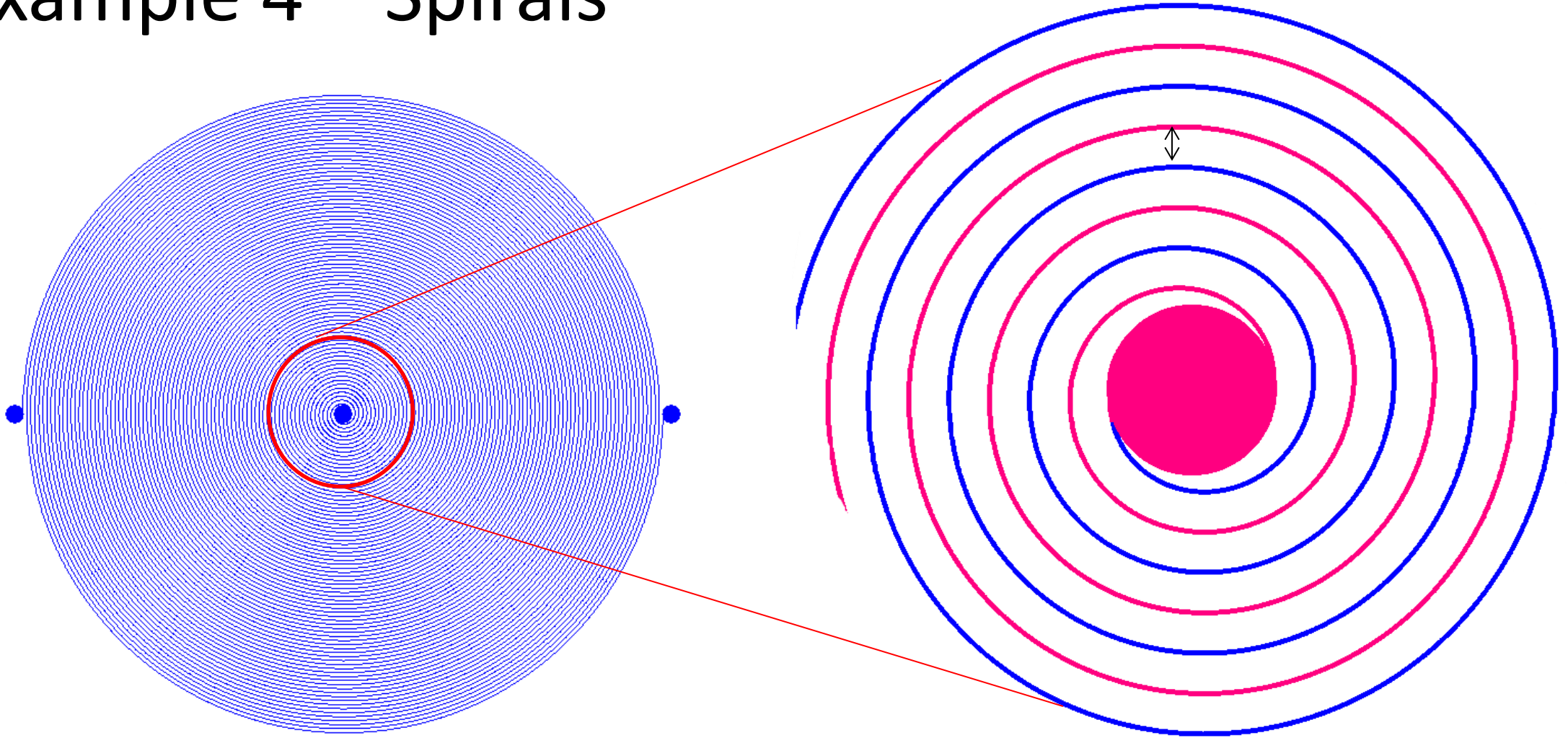
Example 2 – Hierarchical array



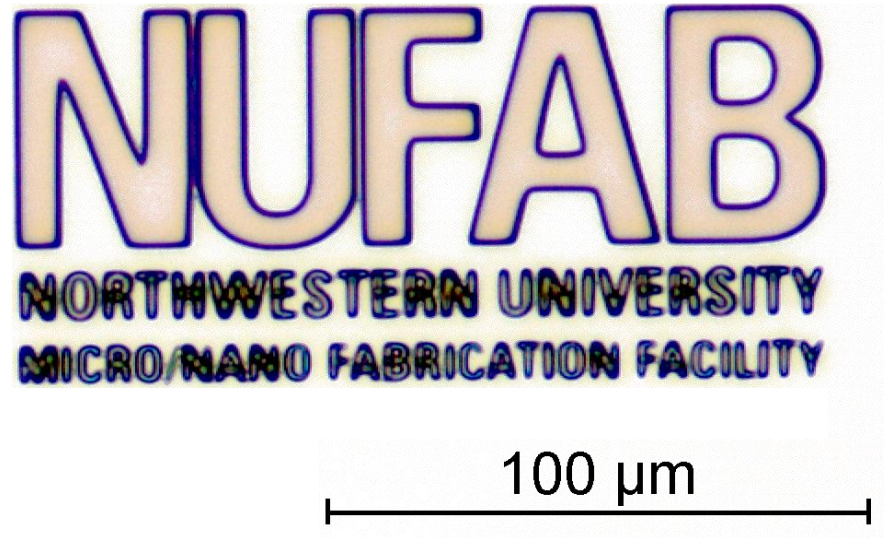
Example 3 – Serpentine



Example 4 – Spirals



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