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Exploiting Structure Periodicity and Symmetry in Capacitance Calculations for Three-Dimensional Multiconductor Systems

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The structure periodicity and symmetry usually encountered in the design and packaging of integrated circuits are utilized to dramatically alleviate the computation cost in the capacitance calculations for three-dimensional multiconductor systems by the integral equation method. For periodic structures, the region of unknowns is reduced to the base period by employing a modified Green's function which circumvents the periodicity singularity. For the structures with s orthogonal planes of symmetry, where $s=1, 2$, or 3 , the region of unknowns is reduced to $1/2^s$ of the original whole space by the help of even- and odd-mode decomposition techniques. Both algorithms are embedded into a general three-dimensional capacitance calculation program by which a numerical calculation for the via capacitance in a multilayer ceramic environment is presented and compared with the experimental measurements.

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