Design Tools for Chiplet-Based Design

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zGlue Chiplet-Based IC Technology

Chiplets as Building Blocks of 2.5D IC

zGlue Silicon Interposer (Programmable Si)
Tools Needed for Chiplet Based IC Design

• Electrical Design Entry (Schematic or RTL)
• Layout, 2D and 3D (Package, Interposer, SiP, Si)
• Parasitic Modeling
• Thermal Mechanical Modeling and Simulations
• Electrical and Functional Simulations

EDA Companies Are Offering Most of these Design Tools, though offered in bits and pieces that are difficult to splice together for now.

Packaging PDKs are available for volume customers only.
Tools Needed to Enable Chiplet Marketplace

• Be Able to accurately define Chiplets in electrical, mechanical, and thermal sense.
• A standard data format to define a chiplet will help with trading as well as correct simulations.
• zGlue has developed a data-exchange format to define Chiplets (Candidate for OCP/ODSA Feature).

Chiplet Data Models includes definitions for:
  i. Mechanical (used for mechanical and thermal design)
  ii. IO (used for footprints and netlisting)
  iii. Power (used for power simulations)

Chiplet data-exchange feature will allow chiplet vendors to encode and list their chiplets but keep access control.
zGlue Design and Fab Flow

Design → Prototype → Evaluation → Mass Production

ChipBuilder
zGlue Software

Shuttle
zGlue Prototype Program

Mass Production
Outsourced to zGlue Partners
zGlue ChipBuilder Capabilities

**Today**
ChipBuilder Basic Launched at CES

- Library of 22 chiplets
- Manual placement of chiplets
- Design capture with schematic
- Automatic routing of chiplets, IOs and powers
- Support for built-in programmable pullup and pulldown resistors, smart fabric controls and interfaces
- Built-in Design Rules Checks and Validations
- Targetted at Ultra-low power embedded devices

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ChipBuilder Pro

New Features
- Library of 100 Chiplets
- Private Chiplet encoding, sharing, and access-control of chiplets: Candidate for OCP/ODSA Special Feature
- Download simulation input files for thermal, signal integrity, power integrity analysis
- Designs ready for small-volume runs on a shuttle targeted for early Q3
- Support for higher performance
- Sign up for trial access
zGlue ChipBuilder Pro Preview
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