

# APPLICATIONS

Fracturing Reversed Tone Photonic Crystals

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#### **Reverse Tone Photonic Crystals**

#### Is there a solution to optimize fracturing?





#### Flattened Design

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#### **Hierarchical Design**

## In a hierarchical design, cuts could influence more uniform fracturing.





#### **Hierarchical Design**

In a hierarchical design, cuts influence more uniform fracturing; however slivers can occur.



#### **Caveats of Both Options**

- Limitation of the designers ability to plan for data-prep to machine format.
- Number of vertices for curve digitization can be arbitrary:
  - Too many vertices influences the creation of too many shapes.
  - Too many vertices can increase the fracturing computation time.





### Spoiler: Here's a Solution

#### Use Curved Fracturing to optimize the final fracture:



How is this done? ...



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# Grid

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Fracture

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#### **Step 1: Reduce Vertices**



- Reduce the number of vertices to reduce computation time downstream
- Heal the pattern for any overlaps







#### **Step 2: Create Perfect Circles**

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### Step 3: Make Room for Rings



- Bias the circles larger (grey). The bias determines the width of the rings.
- Create room for the rings by subtracting the biased circles from the original pattern.





#### Step 4: Create the Rings



- Add a 2 nm bias to create a small overlap for the last merge
- Merge the fractured circles with the larger circles and create rings with a P-XOR





### Solution Summary











- The idea is to decouple vertices from adjacent features to help optimize the
- fracture.Applied Technologies:
  - Grid: Layout Smoothing Tolerance
  - P-XOR
  - Curved Fracturing
- Curved fracturing works for photonic crystals
  - Positive tone
  - Negative tone
- Solution is independent of the design whether it is hierarchical or flattened
- Because Curved fracturing is unique to BEAMER, this can only be done with BEAMER.



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