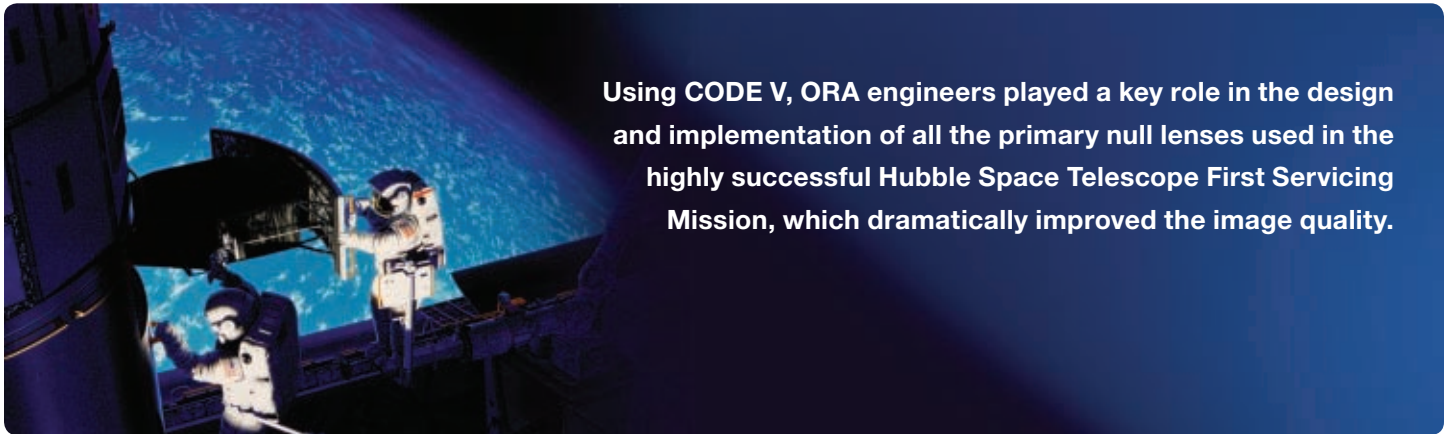




CODE V Optical Design Software

Design, Optimize and Fabricate
Reliable Imaging Optics

Overview



Using CODE V, ORA engineers played a key role in the design and implementation of all the primary null lenses used in the highly successful Hubble Space Telescope First Servicing Mission, which dramatically improved the image quality.

Synopsys' Optical Solutions Group, formerly Optical Research Associates (ORA®), is one of the world's leading developers of optical design and analysis tools, with CODE V® imaging design software and LightTools® illumination design software. The group is also an independent supplier of optical systems design services, with more than 4,800 completed projects in imaging, illumination and optical systems engineering.

Since its worldwide introduction in 1975, CODE V has been instrumental in the development of highly advanced optical systems, sometimes with profound effects on business and culture. It has been used in the development of revolutionary applications such as the compact disk. CODE V algorithms are a key and dominant technology in the design of the microlithographic lenses that permit the imaging of ultra-fine lines on computer chips—a necessary ingredient in the continuing improvement of computer speeds.

CODE V software has contributed significantly to important technological advances across a wide spectrum of fields such as projection displays, medical instrumentation, advanced military technology and space exploration.

Because of its established reputation for excellence and quality performance, CODE V is the software of choice when optics are critical to the success of a product or project.

Exceptional Software Support Technical Support

With CODE V, you get much more than the highest-rated optical design and analysis software available. You also get access to more than 50 person-years of optical engineering experience through our technical support staff. Whether you choose e-mail or our toll free phone number to request assistance, degreed optical engineering professionals are ready to answer your questions.

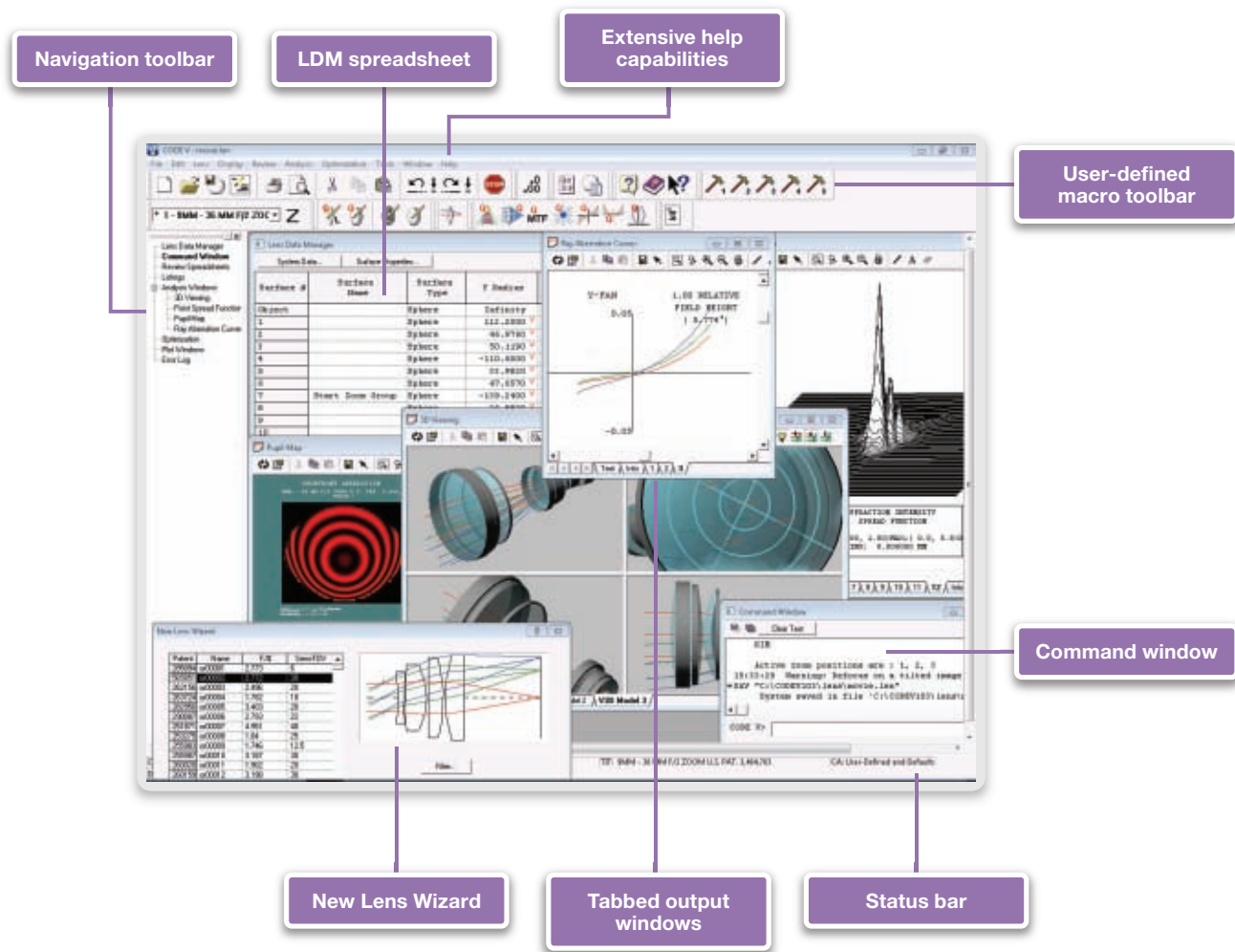


Figure 1: CODE V utilizes a standard Windows® user interface with many navigation and usability features.

Training, Documentation and Online Resources

We offer many options for learning CODE V. Attend classes at our Pasadena, California facility, attend classes offered worldwide by our international representatives, or schedule an onsite class at your facility that has been tailored to your needs. Complete, examples-based documentation and a dedicated customer website with video tutorials, FAQs, example models, macros, tips and training materials are also available to help you be successful with CODE V.

Program Updates

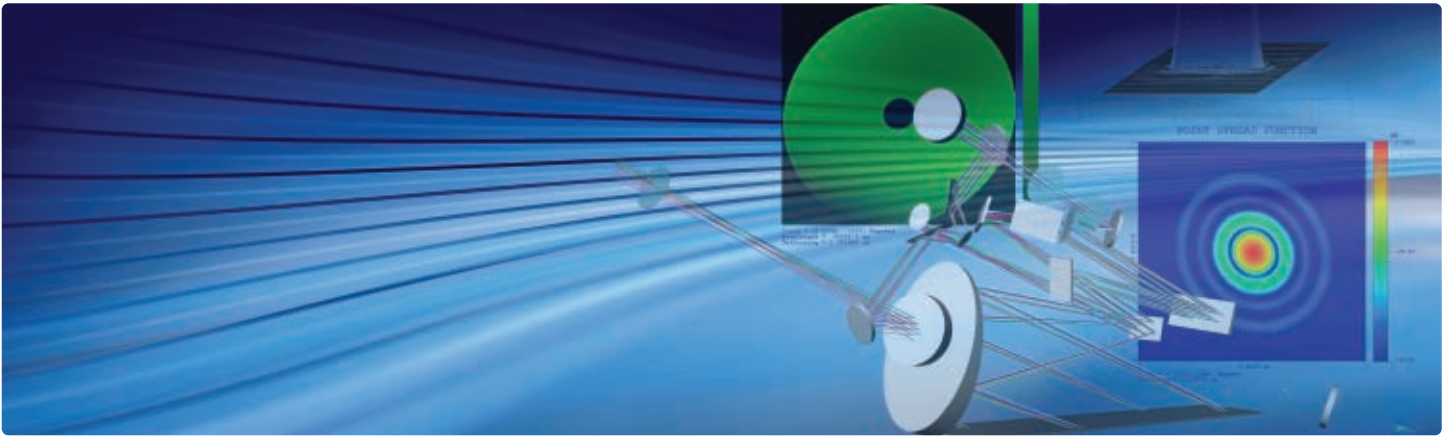
We release extensive program updates approximately once a year to add major new features. We also provide regular program updates with customer-requested enhancements. All updates are included in our standard license.

Pre-Tested and Pre-Approved

One of our most important strengths is the synergy between our optical engineering services and software development efforts. Our engineers provide ideas, guidance, testing and feedback for the development of CODE V. For example,

expert tools based on unique algorithms developed by our engineers, such as Glass Expert and Asphere Expert, help automate the design process and save you time and effort. Most importantly, before you use the latest version of CODE V for engineering problem solving, you can be confident that the software has been put through its paces by a dedicated team of engineers working at the cutting edge of optical technology.

Applications and Design



Use of the Airborne Infrared Echelle Spectrometer model is courtesy of NASA Ames Research Center.



Figure 2: CODE V is the dominant software of choice to meet the stringent optimization, analysis and tolerancing demands of the integrated circuit manufacturing industry.

Applications

From the extreme UV to beyond the infrared and from consumer products to government hardware, CODE V will handle your optical imaging applications. CODE V's state-of-the-art algorithms, user-friendly interface and intelligent defaults speed time to market and maximize the quality of your optical solution. Some applications and related CODE V features include:

- ▶ **Injection molded plastic lenses**—environmental analysis and material tolerances
- ▶ **Grating spectrometers**—wavelength dependent multi-configuration features
- ▶ **Digital camera lenses**—tolerance and fabrication analysis features
- ▶ **LCD projection systems**—polarization ray tracing
- ▶ **Reconnaissance lenses**—glass optimization with partial dispersion control
- ▶ **Telescopes & other visual systems**—true afocal modeling
- ▶ **Space-borne systems**—environmental analysis

- ▶ **Laser scanning systems**—diffraction beam propagation analysis
- ▶ **Infrared & UV systems**—special material characterization
- ▶ **Telecommunication systems**—fiber coupling efficiency computations
- ▶ **Segmented aperture systems**—non-sequential ray tracing features

View a gallery of CODE V applications at www.opticalres.com/cv/applications



Figure 3: CODE V optimization delivers the best possible zoom lens designs. Global Synthesis is highly effective for zoom lenses and excellent chromatic correction is possible with powerful glass optimization. CODE V includes specialized features for zoom lens analysis that help you build the best lens, not just design one.

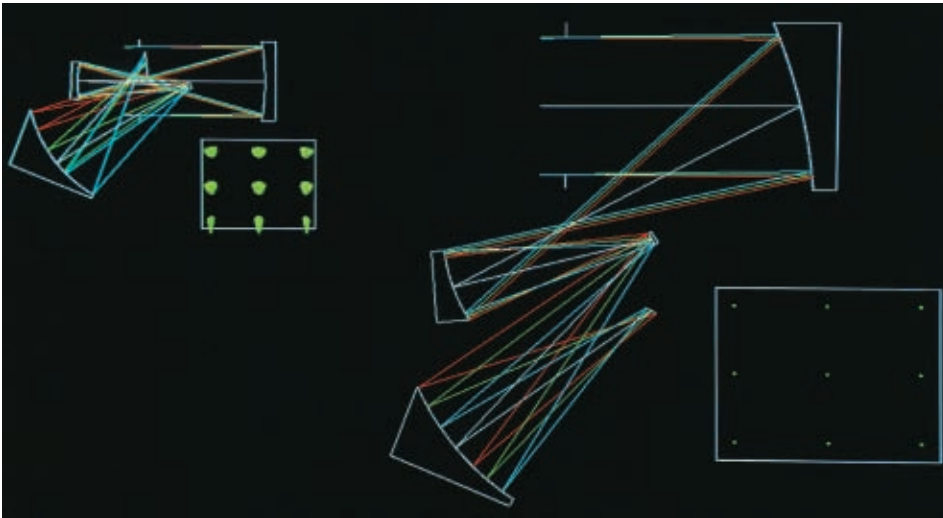


Figure 4: Tilted and decentered reflective systems are easy to set up in CODE V. User-defined optimization constraints allow easy control of optical bundle and component clearances in off-axis reflective systems. CODE V optimized this “Before” system to this “After” system in a single optimization run in seconds on an Intel® 2.67 GHz dual-core PC.

Design Optimization

Optimization capabilities are often the most important consideration when choosing optical design software. CODE V’s award-winning, proprietary optimization algorithms are considered unsurpassed by industry leaders. Features include:

- ▶ The best, most effective global optimization algorithm available
- ▶ RMS blur, wavefront variance, MTF, fiber coupling efficiency and a fully user-defined error function
- ▶ Zernike coefficient optimization
- ▶ Intelligent optimization defaults and general constraints
- ▶ Effective variable glass optimization
- ▶ Effective exact constraint handling
- ▶ Easy definition of user-defined constraints
- ▶ MTF optimization that is fast and accurate
- ▶ Glass Expert and Asphere Expert that automatically choose the best set of glasses and optimal asphere locations

CODE V’s Global Synthesis® (GS) algorithm is the most effective global optimization algorithm available for finding multiple unique configurations for systems with a large number of variables and constraints, including zoom lenses. GS uses a directed search—not a random hit-or-miss approach—to seek out new valleys in merit function space. While other methods may work on simple textbook examples, CODE V’s Global Synthesis solves real-world optical design problems.

Like many optical design programs, CODE V’s local optimization (optimizing to find the local minimum of the error function) is based on damped least squares. However, several proprietary enhancements make CODE V’s optimization algorithm the most effective available. CODE V’s exact constraint handling, using Lagrange multipliers, removes control of constraints from the error function so that the error function optimization does not stall while attempting to hold heavily weighted constraints. You can develop the best solution—with the correct specifications—that fits the space available.

CODE V’s intelligent optimization defaults work well for the vast majority of systems, but can be overridden if desired. CODE V’s RMS blur, wavefront variance and MTF error functions cover the majority of applications, but you can also define your own merit function. CODE V offers smart defaults, with as little or as much control as you require and consistently yields the best designs. This efficiency results in more freedom to perform useful engineering work instead of time-consuming tweaks of the error function.

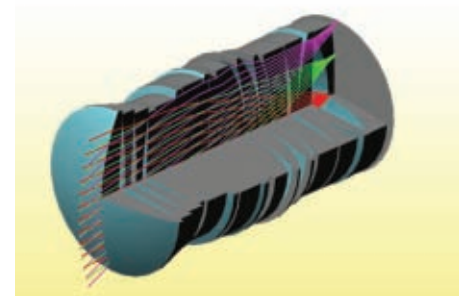
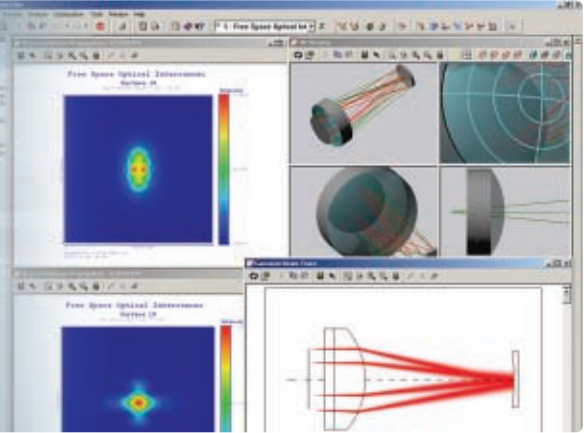


Figure 5: The winning design of the 1994 International Optical Design Conference “Camera in a Can” lens design contest was optimized using Global Synthesis.

Analysis, Tolerancing and Fabrication Support

For photonics systems, some useful CODE V features include gradient index materials, polarization ray tracing and lens arrays.



Analysis

CODE V's analysis algorithms are recognized for their accuracy and speed. Over tens of thousands of fabricated customer designs, more than 150 person-years of in-house engineering experience and thousands of daily development test cases assure the quality of CODE V performance predictions—even on the most complex optical systems. CODE V's extensive suite of analysis capabilities include:

- ▶ Many diagnostic evaluation options (for example, transverse ray aberration or OPD curves)
- ▶ Many geometrical and diffraction-based image evaluation options (for example, spot diagrams and MTF)
- ▶ Non-sequential ray tracing
- ▶ Polarization ray tracing, including birefringent material modeling
- ▶ General diffraction beam propagation
- ▶ Partial coherence 1D and 2D image analysis
- ▶ Fiber coupling efficiency
- ▶ Illumination analysis
- ▶ Thermal infrared narcissus analysis
- ▶ 2D image simulation

CODE V's beam propagation analysis accurately predicts intensity, amplitude and phase characteristics of the diffracted optical beam anywhere in the optical system. Beam Synthesis Propagation (BSP), originally developed for NASA to solve the stringent accuracy challenges of the Terrestrial Planet Finder mission, sets an industry standard for accuracy, efficiency and ease of use. It uses a

beamlet-based algorithm with proprietary enhancements designed to deliver extremely accurate and efficient modeling of diffracted wavefronts propagating through an optical system. BSP's groundbreaking Pre-Analysis feature automatically recommends analysis settings based on your lens system and delivers an accurate answer in the shortest time possible.

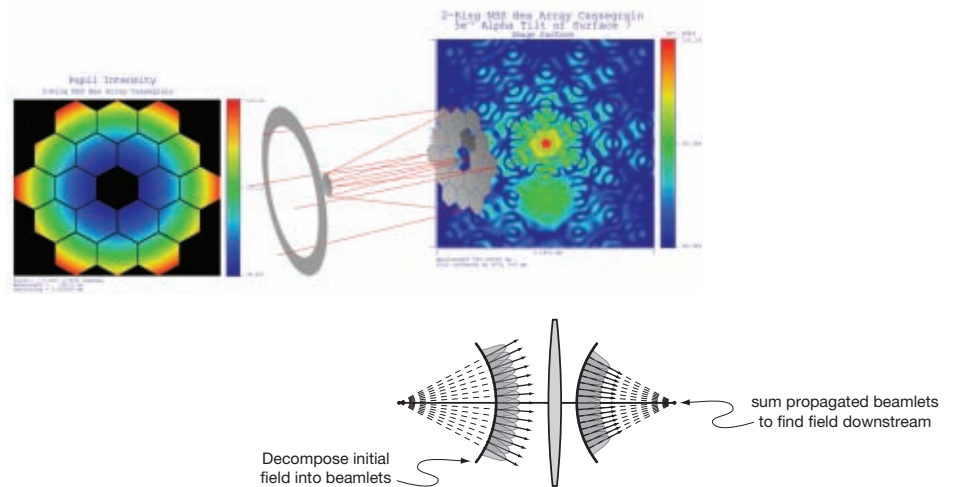


Figure 6: Beam Synthesis Propagation's beamlet-based wave propagation algorithm performs beam propagation analysis more accurately and efficiently than any other commercially available tool.

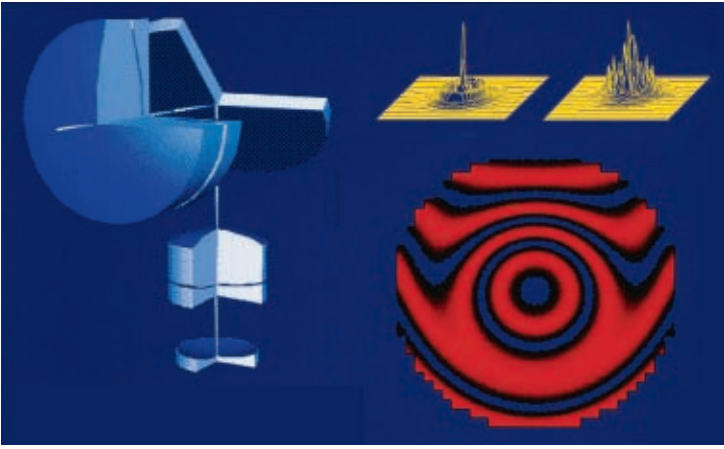


Figure 7: CODE V's transverse ray aberration curves, pupil maps, spot diagrams, MTF curves and point spread function plots use advanced algorithms to ensure the most accurate results.

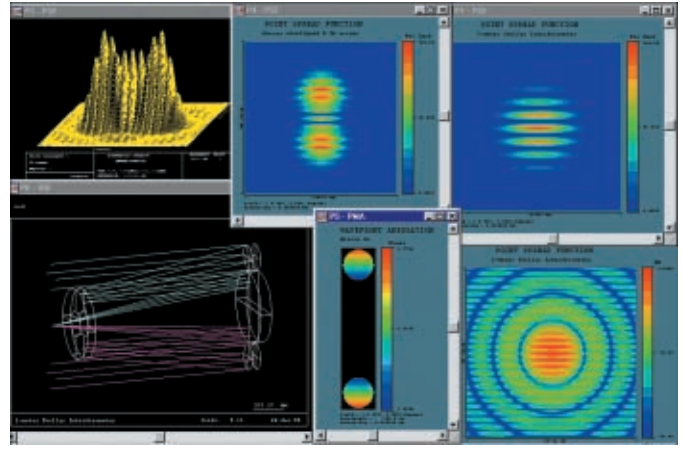


Figure 8: A stellar interferometer showing interference fringes produced from separated apertures using non-sequential surface ray tracing and diffraction analysis features.

Partial coherence analysis can predict image structure of one- or two-dimensional objects based on fully coherent to fully incoherent illumination through an optical system. For photonic systems, fiber coupling efficiency of a diffraction image into a single mode fiber can be predicted, including the effects of misalignments and fiber tip cleavage angles.

For specialized or custom analysis, CODE V provides Macro-PLUS—a powerful macro programming language including support of advanced mathematical functions such as a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) operation and database access to a broad range of CODE V data.

Most CODE V analysis option inputs can be customized, but you aren't burdened with making all the choices. Intelligent input defaults are provided in all options, based on our software knowledge of the computational algorithm and engineering knowledge about the appropriate defaults for real-world problems. You can have confidence in CODE V's results.

Tolerancing and Fabrication Support

CODE V is used to design optics destined for hardware and has many advanced capabilities to speed time to market and solve production problems before the design reaches manufacturing. You can be confident of delivering the best performing as-built optical design with minimized recurring and non-recurring costs.

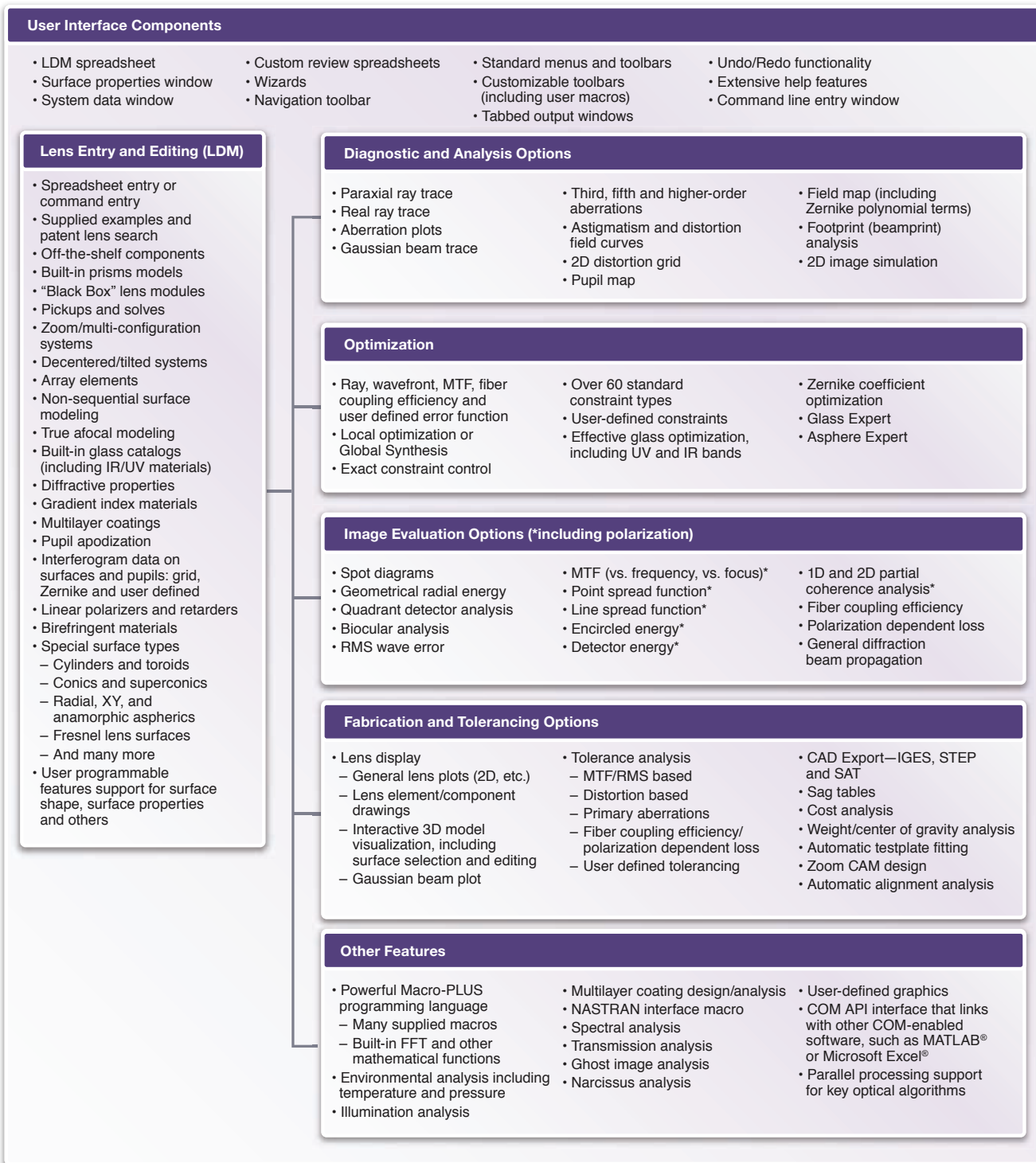
Features include:

- ▶ Fastest and most accurate tolerancing using proprietary algorithms
- ▶ Automatic error budgeting, tolerance sensitivity analysis and compensator prediction
- ▶ CAD export using IGES, SAT and STEP file formats
- ▶ Interferogram interface for applying measured interferograms to the system model
- ▶ Automatic system alignment optimization based on as-built interferogram analysis
- ▶ Mechanical zoom lens CAM computation
- ▶ Lens element cost analysis (material and fabrication costs)
- ▶ Singular Value Decomposition algorithm to determine the most effective compensator set
- ▶ Interactive tolerancing spreadsheet to modify tolerance values and instantly see the effect on system performance and compensator motion

CODE V's sensitivity and inverse sensitivity (automatic error budgeting) tolerancing capabilities are based on measurable performance metrics such as RMS wavefront, MTF, distortion, Zernike wavefront coefficients and more. Multiple compensators can be declared and if desired, restricted to compensating subsets of tolerances. Boresight compensation can also be included. For specialized systems, CODE V includes user-defined tolerancing capabilities that allow a sensitivity analysis for any performance metric that CODE V calculates.

CODE V's interferogram interface allows measured surface deformation or system wavefront data to be imported into CODE V and included as part of the lens model. CODE V's alignment optimization is used to automatically guide the alignment of an as-built optical system using measured wavefront data. Whether your hardware is for the consumer, commercial or government markets, if you are planning to build your optical designs, then CODE V's integrated design, analysis and fabrication support features make it the best optical software for the job.

Comprehensive Features



To Learn More

For more information on CODE V and to request a demo, please contact Synopsys' Optical Solutions Group at (626) 795-9101 between 8:00am-5:00pm PST, visit www.opticalres.com or send an email to info@opticalres.com.



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