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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
SCHEDULE 14A
(RULE 14a-101)

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT
SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(a) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (AMENDMENT NO.)

Filed by the Registrant

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Check the appropriate box:

Preliminary Proxy Statement

Confidential, for Use of the Commission
Only (as permitted by Rule 14a-6(e)(2))

Definitive Proxy Statement

Definitive Additional Materials

Soliciting Material Rule 14a-12

Synopsys, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than the Registrant)

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The following is the form of Proxy Card mailed to Synopsys stockholders commencing on May 6, 2002.

[PROXY CARD: FRONT SIDE]

SYNOPSISYS, INC.
ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE SYNOPSISYS, INC. ("SYNOPSISYS") BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS ON JUNE 4, 2002.

The undersigned revokes all previous proxies, acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held June 4, 2002, the joint proxy statement/prospectus and Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2001, and appoints Aart J. de Geus and Chi-Foon Chan, and each of them individually, the proxy of the undersigned, each with full power of substitution, to vote all Synopsys common shares that the undersigned is entitled to vote, either on his or her own behalf or on behalf of any entity or entities, at the Synopsys annual meeting of stockholders to be held at Synopsys' offices at 700 East Middlefield Road, Mountain View, California on Tuesday, June 4, 2002 at 9:00 a.m., and at any adjournment thereof, with the same force and effect as the undersigned might or could do if personally present. The shares represented by the proxy shall be voted in the manner as set forth on the reverse side.

(CONTINUED AND TO BE SIGNED ON REVERSE SIDE)

[PROXY CARD: REVERSE SIDE]

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YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT!

SYNOPSIS, INC.

THE SYNOPSIS BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR EACH OF THE PROPOSALS LISTED BELOW. THIS PROXY, WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED AS SPECIFIED BELOW. IF NO SPECIFICATION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SYNOPSIS COMMON SHARES IN THE MERGER, FOR THE ELECTION OF THE DIRECTORS LISTED BELOW, FOR THE RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF KPMG AND IN THE PROXY'S DISCRETION AS TO ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING OR ANY ADJOURNMENT OR POSTPONEMENT THEREOF.

PLEASE MARK VOTE IN OVAL IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER USING DARK INK ONLY. []

- 1. PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF SYNOPSIS COMMON SHARES TO AVANT! STOCKHOLDERS PURSUANT TO THE AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER, DATED AS OF DECEMBER 3, 2001, AMONG SYNOPSIS, INC., AVANT! CORPORATION AND A WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF SYNOPSIS.

For [] Against [] Abstain []

- 2. PROPOSAL TO ELECT EIGHT DIRECTORS TO SERVE FOR THE ENSUING YEAR OR UNTIL THEIR SUCCESSORS ARE ELECTED. Nominees: 01-Aart J. de Geus, 02-Andy D. Bryant, 03-Chi-Foon Chan, 04-Bruce R. Chizen, 05-Deborah A. Coleman, 06-A. Richard Newton, 07-Sasson Somekh, 08-Steven C. Walske

For All [] Withhold All [] For All Except* []

*For all nominees except as noted above

- 3. PROPOSAL TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF KPMG, LLP AS INDEPENDENT AUDITORS OF SYNOPSIS FOR FISCAL 2002.

For [] Against [] Abstain []

To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

MARK HERE FOR ADDRESS CHANGE AND NOTE ABOVE. []

CONTROL NUMBER

Signature(s): _____ Dated: _____, 2002

_____ Dated: _____, 2002

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Please sign exactly as name appears hereon. When shares are held by joint tenants, both should sign. When signing as an attorney, executor, administrator, trustee or guardian, please give full title as such. If a corporation, please sign