About the Conference

The 39th Design Automation Conference is a high quality professional forum for technology interchange among design automation researchers and developers, the engineers who use DA systems to design, test and manufacture circuits and systems, and the vendors who provide both electronic design automation (EDA) systems and silicon. Five full days of activities are planned, including a rich technical program of research and case study papers, panels and tutorials, and an exhibition of the latest in EDA products and services. The conference this year will again highlight the convergence of embedded systems software design tools and EDA hardware design tools in support of large complex systems on a chip. This is reflected in the “Embedded Systems Showcase” on the exhibit floor, a panel session on “Unified Tools for SoC Embedded Systems”, the Thursday keynote address by Jerry Fiddler, Chairman and Founder of Wind River, and a number of technical sessions sprinkled throughout the program.

The Technical Program consists of panel discussions, special (invited paper) sessions, and technical paper sessions. The Tuesday morning keynote will be presented by Dr. Hajime Sasaki, Chairman of the NEC Corporation, speaking on new challenges likely to be faced by the CAD industry. From there, the technical program is organized around two tracks. The Design Tools track focuses on new techniques for enhancing the performance and capabilities of EDA tools. The Design Methods track focuses on the results and insights gained by applying EDA tools to actual system designs. There are eight panel discussions covering topics that range from the relationship between Wall Street and the EDA industry, to “What is the next EDA Driver” to “Tools or Users: Which is the Bigger Bottleneck?” The technical program also features 15 invited presentations by experts in their field, covering exciting topics such as “How do You Design a 10M Gate ASIC” to EDA tools for opto-electronics.

More than 225 companies are exhibiting the latest commercially available products Monday through Wednesday. Demo suites provide an opportunity to more closely examine the offerings of particular vendors. For the first time this year, we are featuring “Hands-on” Tutorials, Monday through Thursday, where vendors will have the opportunity to instruct small groups in the capabilities and use of their tools. The theme for these tutorials this year is “Verification of Embedded Systems”.

On Monday, prior to the technical program, we are featuring a tutorial for EDA professionals wanting to learn more about the world of embedded system software. Also on Monday, there is an opportunity for non-technical attendees (teachers, financial community, spouses, etc.) to get a basic introduction to the world of EDA. On Friday, the conference concludes as usual, with five full-day specialized tutorials.

We invite you to join us in New Orleans and take full advantage of this rich and varied program.
The 39th Design Automation Conference • June 10 - 14, 2002 • New Orleans, LA

Important Information At-A-Glance

Exhibit Hours:
Monday, June 10 ........................................ 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Tuesday, June 11 ....................................... 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Wednesday, June 12 .................................... 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
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Demo Suite Hours:
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Thursday, June 13 ........................................ 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

At-Conference Registration Hours
The registration desk will be located in the lobby of Halls H & I of the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center and will be open at the following times:

Sunday, June 9, 2002 ......................... 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Monday, June 10, 2002 ......................... 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Tuesday, June 11, 2002 ....................... 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM
Wednesday, June 12, 2002 ............... 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM
Thursday, June 13, 2002 ..................... 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Tutorial Registration ............. Friday, June 14, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Virtual DAC (www.dac.com)
Virtual DAC offers two powerful on-line tools for attendees to make the most of their time at DAC. The DAC Floor is designed to allow attendees to plan which exhibitors they want to visit. The DAC Planner is designed for attendees to plan which technical sessions and other important DAC events they want to attend. Together, the two services allow attendees to organize, in advance, how they want to utilize their time at DAC.

DACnet-2002
DACnet stations are located outside Hall H on the first level and outside the Auditorium on the second level of the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. Wireless access is also available on the second level.

The 39th Design Automation Conference Week in Review

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DAC Pavilion

DAC brings its technical program to the exhibit floor through live panel discussions and broadcasts of highlighted technical sessions in the DAC Pavilion. DAC attendees and exhibitors are invited to visit the DAC Pavilion to participate in these engaging technical presentations or take a few minutes to relax in our lounge space.

A Whole NEW Monday at DAC

Monday at DAC has a whole new look this year. Exhibitor Presentations can now be found on each exhibitor’s virtual DAC booth at www.dac.com. This has opened up Monday for workshops on Interoperability, Women in DA and an introductory session on EDA for non-engineers. If tutorials are more your flavor, check out the two Hands-On Tutorials, or the Full-Day Tutorial featuring issues with embedded systems for EDA developers. In addition, the free Monday exhibit passes are still available. Monday at DAC is not to be missed!

Tutorials

DAC offers several new tutorial programs this year. Starting on Monday, June 10, there is a full-day introductory tutorial on An Introduction to Embedded Software: Issues, Tools and Methods - For HW and EDA Designers. This tutorial is designed to prepare attendees for the many embedded systems technical sessions offered in the technical program. The other new tutorial program at DAC this year is the Hands-on Tutorials.

Workshops

Be sure to check out DAC’s workshops, Sunday and Monday. (See pages 42 - 45.)

Hands-On Tutorials

Hands-on Tutorials are half-day sessions offered by exhibitors demonstrating solutions to verifying embedded systems. These highly interactive sessions give attendees the opportunity to do in-depth software demonstrations on Sun workstations.

Monday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, rm-293
Developing Bus-Functional Models for Embedded ATM Switch Verification • SynaptiCAD Inc., Synopsys, Inc.

Monday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM, rm-293

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Assertion-Based Validation with HW/SW for Comprehensive Embedded System Verification
• Co-Design Automation, Inc., Real Intent, ARM

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, rm-293
Hardware-Software Integration on the ARM Wireless PrimeXsys Platform using the CoWare N2C Design System • CoWare, Inc., ARM

Wednesday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM, rm-293
Verification of Embedded Communication Systems

Thursday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, rm-293
Hardware and Software Debug Methods for a Programmable System • Xilinx, Inc., Wind River

Thursday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM, rm-293
Top-Level Validation of Complex SoCs • Esterel Technologies
Program Highlights

Technical Program - details on pgs. 10 - 35
The technical program offers over 160 papers, panels and special sessions in five parallel tracks covering system level design, synthesis, physical design, verification, interconnect, power and AMS issues. Highlights include a focus on embedded systems (see right) as well as a number of special sessions with invited paper presentations on the implications of optics for EDA, the future of CMOS scaling, and designing 10M Gate ASICs.

TUESDAY KEYNOTE
Hajime Sasaki
Chairman of the Board
NEC Corp., Tokyo, Japan
Tuesday, June 11 - 9:00 AM
Room: Conference Auditorium

THURSDAY KEYNOTE
Jerry Fiddler
Chairman and Founder
Wind River, Alameda, CA
Thursday, June 13 - 1:00 PM
Room: Auditorium B

Best Paper Awards - details on pg. 53
Best Paper Awards of $1000 each will be announced at the Tuesday morning General Session. Papers eligible for awards in this category are nominated by the Program Committee and selected by a referee process. (see sessions: 3.1, 4.3 and 29.2)

On-Site Information Desk
The information desk is located in the lobby of Hall I of the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. (504) 670-4500.

Embedded Systems -
Sessions: 3, 15, 19, 20, 23, 31, 34, 40, 41, 45, 49, 54
Recognizing the increasing role of embedded software and IP in complex SoC designs, we have provided a special focus on embedded systems topics. Over 35 papers and panels will cover topics such as embedded compilation, hardware/software co-design, system modeling and power optimization. In addition, special invited sessions will discuss design automation for electronic textiles, designing SoCs for yield improvement, and energy efficiency in mobile computing.

5th SIGDA Ph.D Forum - details on pg. 50
Tuesday, June 11 6:00PM - 8:30PM: Room 284
A chance for Ph.D students and industry representatives to get together. Students get feedback on their research proposals; industry gets a chance to meet students and preview their work.

Tutorials - details on pgs. 36 - 41
Monday, June 10, 2002 • 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
1) An Introduction to Embedded Software: Issues, Tools and Methods - for HW and EDA Designers
2) Intellectual Property Design and Integration for SoCs
3) Modeling Technology for High Frequency Design
4) Using SystemC for System Level Modeling and Design
5) Physical Chip Implementation: Hot Spots and Best Practices
6) New Computing Platforms for Embedded Systems
**Exhibit Floor**
Monday - Wednesday, June 10-12, 2002  10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Over 225 EDA, Silicon, IP and Embedded Systems companies participate in the DAC exhibition and demo suites. All exhibits and suites are located in Halls F-J of the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. Children under the age of 14 will NOT be allowed in the exhibit hall or demo suite area.

The Embedded Systems Showcase offers exhibitors and attendees a highly focused area to display and view tools for the design of embedded systems-on-chip.

The latest innovations are at your fingertips with exhibitors highlighting their latest products.

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**Demo Suites**
Monday - Wednesday, June 10-12, 2002 ........8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Thursday, June 13, 2002 .....................8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Demo Suites are located in Halls F & G of the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.
- Exhibiting companies offer their customers private product demos within the Convention Center.
- Demo Suites are available by invitation only.

**Exhibit-Only Registration**
- Free Monday Exhibit-Only Passes - Attend the exhibition free of charge Monday, June 10.
- $40 exhibit-only registration will allow you to attend exhibits Monday through Wednesday.

**DAC Pavilion**
DAC is introducing the DAC Pavilion in booth 1035. The Pavilion offers live panel discussions with industry experts, broadcasts of selected technical sessions and a lounge area to relax. Join us as we bring DAC’s world-class technical program to the exhibit floor! Please check the DAC web site for details on the Pavilion presentations.

**New Exhibitors at DAC**
DAC has always been the best place to see the industry’s newest companies, and this year is no exception. With over 30 new exhibitors this year, DAC is the place to be to find out what the hot start-ups are up to. Among the companies participating in DAC for the first time are: (as of May 13, 2002)

- AccelChip, Inc.
- AcroEx
- Annapolis Micro Systems, Inc.
- Apex Design Systems, Inc.
- Astek Corp.
- Circumetry Systems, Inc.
- Dataram Corp.
- DATE 03
- elinfochips Inc.
- Ernulation and Verification Engineering
- EverCAD Navigator Corp.
- Freeland DSP
- Golden Gate Technology
- HPL
- IEEE Media
- Korea Electronics
- Technology Institute
- LISAtek, Inc.
- MathWorks (The)
- Multigig Ltd.
- Nature Worldwide Technology Corp.
- NEWS Design System
- Novilis, Inc.
- Open Core Protocol
- International Partnership
- Prosilog SA
- PTC
- Q Design Automation
- Sandwork Design Inc.
- Starlx Corp.
- Signal Integrity Software
- Silicon Canvas, Inc.
- StarNet Communications
- Tempus Fugit, Inc.
- UbiTech, Inc.
- UP Media, Inc.
- Zembeel, Inc.
- Zenasis Technologies, Inc.
Abstract: Last year, the Semiconductor industry suffered the severest recession in its history, withering by 32%. There had been no case where the final market of electronic products itself shrank. Concurrently, there have been some symbolic events in the industry. First, Moore’s Law has become uncertain. In order to maintain the law, we must come up with novel processes for each new generation. Secondly, vendors have begun to shift from mass-production oriented business schemes to the system LSI business. This shift to application specific devices requires a drastic review of the value chain.

Semiconductor design in the new era can be divided into three areas. Area 1 deals with the traditional design hierarchy, such as function design, logic design and layout design. In this area, a revolution in function design is especially required that is represented by C language-based design. Area 2 deals with the new challenges of pursuing shrinking technology. We should be prepared for problems resulting from the application of new materials, represented by electric current leakage through the gate insulator. Also, interconnect structure is another challenging problem. The merger of design and process is the key. Area 3 deals with comprehensive issues such as IP management and mass production know-how.

The industry will become much more dependent on design. The challenge is how we should cultivate competitive designers both in quantity and quality. The “design project leader” must cover all three areas above. The corporate structure of IDM does not carry a competitive advantage, as long as design and process is divided into further sub-segments. When the industry can provide a solution that best meets its customer’s needs and niceties from every angle, the industry will take off again and reach a new prosperous stage.

Biography: After receiving a master’s degree of engineering in the field of electrical engineering from the graduate school of the University of Tokyo in 1961, he joined NEC Corporation. He served as General Manager of the VLSI Development Division and General Manager of the Microcomputer Products Division before being elected to the Board of Directors in 1988. He was appointed Senior Executive Vice President in 1996 in charge of semiconductors operations, and in 1999 elected to his current position of Chairman of the Board. Mr. Sasaki received the commendation from the Minister of State for Science and Technology, as a person of scientific and technological merits in 1995. In 2000, he received the Third Millennium Medal from IEEE. Also he was elected as a member of NAE (National Academy of Engineering). In 2001, he received the Robert N. Noyce Medal from IEEE and was elected as an IEEE Life Fellow.
Jerry Fiddler
Chairman and Founder
Wind River, Alameda, CA
Thursday, June 13, 2002, 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM
Room: Auditorium B

Abstract: Silicon, EDA, and embedded software companies have largely lived in different universes. Despite repeated predictions that they would move closer together, and some real attempts to do so, those predictions have mostly proved false. Now, however, technology and economic trends are making it necessary and inevitable that suppliers find new ways to solve our customers problems. The complexity of the devices being built require solutions that cross the comfortable boundaries of the past. This talk will examine the trends and problems driving this.

Biography: Fiddler co-founded Wind River in 1981 with David Winer, a colleague from Fiddler’s tenure at the University of California’s Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory. Since establishing Wind River, Fiddler has taken on whatever role was necessary, from chief and only programmer to president and chairman of the board. Today Wind River, with operations worldwide, is the market share leader in embedded technology and continues to innovate and define the market.

Beginning with his tenure at the University of California’s Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, Fiddler has earned a reputation as an expert in the design and implementation of real-time systems. His work at Berkeley Lab gave him the ability to approach problems from a broader perspective and also taught him how to determine the pieces needed to build a system to solve a problem, skills that are key in developing embedded technology. He has published and presented numerous papers and articles on embedded technology and the rise of hidden, or embedded, computers in everyday life.

Fiddler graduated from the University of Illinois with a double baccalaureate in music and photography, and he received an M.S. in computer science from the same institution. Fiddler continues to follow his love of music with a home music studio and his band, XAZ, for which he writes songs and plays acoustic, electric, and classical guitars, as well as guitar synthesizer.
Knowing Your Exit Strategy: Acquisition vs. IPO
Organizers: Michelle Clancy, Cayenne Communication
Deirdre Hanford, Synopsys, Inc.
Moderator: Erach Desai, Principal, Desasive Technology Research
Panelists:
Penny Herscher, Simplex Solutions, Inc.
Mike Tsai, Axis Systems, Inc.

Is an IPO a myth for most startups? How does a company position itself for acquisition or IPO? This panel will explore the strategies behind an emerging technology company’s battles to position itself on the way to a successful IPO. Panelists will discuss what drives a company’s direction toward an IPO or an acquisition. Questions will be discussed regarding different approaches used when structuring a company for a particular exit strategy.

Panel 6 TBA
Check DACNet or the DAC Pavilion booth for details.

Software Patents in EDA: Helping Progress or Impeding Innovation?
Organizer: Dennis Fernandez, Fernandez and Associates, LLP
Moderator: Andrew Beckerman-Rodau, Suffolk Law School
Panelists:
Dennis Fernandez, Fernandez and Associates, LLP
Joe Hustein, InSilicon

As the EDA industry continues to grow and mature, there is an ongoing debate on the constructive or obstructive role of Intellectual Property Rights. In support of the commercially valuable and strategic role of offensive blocking patents, Dennis Fernandez argues the legal case for aggressive exploitation of exclusive software patents against competitors, and even against possible Industry Standards. On the other hand, advocating company interests in building win-win customer relationships to deliver valuable goods and services, Joe Hustein, presents the business case for more effective cross-licensing and partnering efforts to foster new product concepts and processes.

Focus Centers: Your Tax Dollars at Work
Panelists:
Jan Rabaey, UC Berkeley, Gigascale Silicon Research Ctr.
Rob Ruttenbar, CMU, Center for Circuits, Systems, and Software.

Two Focus Center Research Programs, directly affect the EDA industry and the design automation research agendas: the Gigascale Silicon Research Center and the Center for Circuits, Systems, and Software. What are the US taxpayers and industry sponsors getting for this investment in research? Are they addressing areas where “evolutionary research and development have failed to find solutions to anticipated problems”? Are they generating “new concepts and radical alternatives to current methodologies”? How will these advances be translated into industry growth? Attend this panel to see how your tax dollars are hard at work.
**Can IP Build Successful Semiconductor Businesses?**

Organizer: Brandie Still, Synchronicity, Inc.
Moderator: Dennis Harmon, Synchronicity, Inc.
Panelists:
- Alistair Greenhill, ARM
- Colin Harris, PMC-Sierra Inc.

Much has been written about, and indeed invested in, emerging semiconductor Intellectual Property (IP) business models. Gartner estimates that the market will quadruple by 2004 and that over 150 firms have entered this space. Companies like ARM, MIPS and Rambus have garnered the spotlight for this recent phenomenon in the IC design chain, yet the reality is that few companies have been able to turn IP into viable, ongoing businesses - why is that? This panel will explore how various IP participants can facilitate implementation and overcome market obstacles.

**Panel 6: TBA Check DACNet for updates.**

**Panel 3: Focus Centers**

**Panel 5: Can IP Build Semiconductor**

**Session 6:** Tools or Users: Which is the Bigger Bottleneck?

**Session 26:** How Do You Design a 10M Gate ASIC

**Session 2:** Software Patents in EDA: Helping Progress or Impeding Innovation?

**Panel 4:** Hybrid FPGAs: FPGA within ASICs or ASICs within FPGAs
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## Tuesday, June 11, 2002

### Opening Session and Keynote Speaker

**Location:** Conference Auditorium

**Paradigm Shift in Semiconductor Design: Challenges on the CAD System**

**Hajime Sasaki** - Chairman of the Board, NEC Corp., Tokyo, Japan

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### Special Sessions

- **5th SIGDA Ph.D Forum** in Room 285 of the Convention Center 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
  - **All Design Methods Sessions are shaded purple. Embedded Systems Sessions are shaded grey.**
  - **Presenters will be available in room 283 for additional 20-minute question and answer periods after the session.**

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**5th SIGDA Ph.D Forum in Room 285 of the Convention Center 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

**Exhibit Hours:** 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM / **Demo Suite Hours:** 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
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**39th DAC Wednesday Night Carnival Krewe Party • 7:30 PM - 10:30 PM • Hilton New Orleans Riverside**

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Presenters will be available in room 283 for additional 20-minute question and answer periods after the session.
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Jerry Fiddler - Chairman and Founder, Wind River

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Mike Grigg - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA

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Walid Najjar - Univ. of California, Riverside, CA

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**Opening Session**

**Opening Remarks:** Bryan Ackland - General Chair, 39th DAC

**Awards Presented By:**
- Robert Walker
  ACM/SIGDA Representative
- Giovanni De Micheli
  IEEE/CASS Representative

**Opening Keynote Address:**
*Paradigm Shift in Semiconductor Design: Challenges on the CAD System*

Hajime Sasaki - Chairman of the Board, NEC Corp., Tokyo, Japan

**Awards/Scholarships**
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- Graduate Scholarships
- Student Design Contest Awards
- 2002 IEEE CASS Fellows
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- ACM/SIGDA Outstanding New Faculty Award
- Phil Kaufman Award
- Best Paper Awards
**Session 1**

**WEB AND IP BASED DESIGN**

**CHAIR:** Gang Qu - Univ. of Maryland, College Park, MD  
**ORGANIZERS:** Ahmed A. Jerraya, Krzysztof Kuchcinski

Web created new opportunities for geographically distributed design process but at the same time it introduced a number of challenges. The first paper presents techniques for IP delivery using Java applets. The second paper proposes generic techniques for watermarking-based IP protection that is essentially applicable to an arbitrary optimization and design problem.  

The third paper enables simulation of a design in the web environment. The final paper makes design process more flexible by leveraging on engineering change methodology.

2.1 **IP Delivery for FPGAs Using Applets and JHDL**

Michael J. Wirthlin, Brian McMurray - Brigham Young Univ., Provo, UT

2.2 **Watermarking Integer Linear Programming Solutions**

Seapahn Megerian, Milenko Drinic, Miodrag Potkonjak - Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA

2.3S **Model Design using Hierarchical Web-Based Libraries**

Fabrice Bernardi, Jean F. Santucci - Univ. of Corsica, Corte, France

2.4S **Behavioral Synthesis via Engineering Change**

Milenko Drinic - Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA  
Darko Kirakos - Microsoft Research, Redmond, WA

**Session 2**

**PANEL: WALL STREET EVALUATES EDA**

**CHAIR:** Aart de Geus - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA  
**ORGANIZERS:** Sharon Turnoy, Deirdre Hanford

The EDA sector is capturing unprecedented attention on Wall Street. With seven IPOs in 2001 alone and strong performance by the EDA “blue chips,” the industry has gained new prominence with the capital markets. In this panel, Aart de Geus will moderate a discussion between representatives of the various constituencies who play a role in shaping Wall Street’s opinion of EDA: financial analysts, portfolio managers, venture capitalists, CEOs, and the press.

Questions discussed will include: How do investors and analysts currently view EDA? What contributes to that perception? What factors drive EDA’s current favor with Wall Street, and why is the sector “hot” compared to two to three years ago? How do we sustain that favor? Given the highly complex nature of our industry, how do investors decipher the strength of a particular EDA firm? Is EDA tied to the semiconductor industry’s performance? What role does the press play in shaping the view?

1.1 **Wall Street Evaluates EDA**

Moshe Garriev - Versatly Design, Inc., Mountain View, CA  
Richard Goering - EE Times, Felton, CA  
Lucio Lanza - Lanza TechVentures, Palo Alto, CA  
Jay Vleeschhouwer - Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., New York, NY

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Session 3

DESIGN INNOVATIONS FOR EMBEDDED PROCESSORS

CHAIR: Vojin Zivojnovic - AXYS Design Automation, Inc., Irvine, CA
ORGANIZERS: Grant E. Martin, Majid Sarrafzadeh

This session presents a number of interesting innovations in design techniques for embedded processors. The first paper reveals a novel technique for mixing compiled-code and interpreted-code approaches to instruction-set simulation. The second paper introduces the idea of incorporating optimized hardware for profiling memory. The final paper reduces instruction memory size using decompression hardware.

A.3.1 A Universal Technique for Fast and Flexible Instruction-Set Architecture Simulation
achim Nohl - LISAtek Inc., Menlo Park, CA
Gunnar Braun - Aachen Univ. of Tech., Aachen, Germany
Andreas Hoffmann - LISAtek Inc., Menlo Park, CA
Oliver Schliebusch, Rainer Leppers, Heinrich Meyr - Aachen Univ. of Tech., Aachen, Germany

A.3.2 A Fast On-Chip Profiler Memory
Roman Lysecky, Susan Cotterell, Frank Tahid - Univ. of California, Riverside, CA

A.3.3 Design of a One-Cycle Decompression Hardware for Performance Increase in Embedded Systems
Haris Lekatsas, Joerg Henkel, Venkata Jakkula - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ

Session 4

PASSIVE MODEL ORDER REDUCTION

CHAIR: Jacob White - Massachusetts Institute of Tech., Cambridge, MA
ORGANIZERS: Jaijeet Roychowdhury, Mustafa Celik

Three excellent papers are presented in this session, with the theme of rigorous approaches to linear passive MOR addressing important theoretical and practical issues. The first paper presents a framework for MOR based on generalized factors that includes popular methods like DRIMA as special cases. The second paper presents a convincing argument that causality is key to effective passive MOR of distributed systems. The final demonstrates that attention to positive real properties ensures passivity in truncated balanced realizations.

A.4.1 A Factorization-Based Framework for Passivity-Preserving Model Reduction of RLC Systems
Qing Su, Venkataramanan Balakrishnan, Cheng-Yao Koh - Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN

A.4.2 Model Order Reduction for Strictly Passive and Causal Distributed Systems
Luca Daniel - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA
Joel R. Phillips - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA

A.4.3 Guaranteed Passive Balancing Transformations for Model Order Reduction
Joel R. Phillips - Cadence Berkeley Labs., San Jose, CA
Luca Daniel - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA
Miguel Silveira - INESC, Lisboa, Portugal

Session 5

NEW PERSPECTIVES IN PHYSICAL DESIGN

CHAIR: Steven Teig - Simplex Solutions, Inc., Sunnyvale, CA
ORGANIZERS: Ralph Otten, Timothy Kam

This session presents early, innovative examples of what promise to be some of the next trends in physical design.

A.5.1 Uncertainty-Aware Circuit Optimization
Xiaoliang Bai - Univ. of California at San Diego, La Jolla, CA
Chandu Visweswariah, Philip N. Strenski - IBM Corp., Yorktown Heights, NY
David J. Hathaway - IBM Corp., Essex Junction, VT

A.5.2 Congestion-Driven Codesign of Power and Signal Networks
Haibua Su, Jiang Hu - IBM Corp., Austin, TX
Sachin S., Sapatnekar - Univ. of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
Sani R. Nassif - IBM Corp., Austin, TX

A.5.3 On Metrics for Comparing Routability Estimation Methods for FPGAs
Parivallal Kannan, Shankar Balachandran, Dinesh Bhatia - Univ. of Texas, Dallas, TX
Session 6  rm: Auditorium B

**PANEL: TOOLS OR USERS: WHICH IS THE BIGGER BOTTLENECK?**

**CHAIR:** Andrew B. Kahng - Univ. of California at San Diego, La Jolla, CA
**ORGANIZER:** Bob Dahlberg

As chip design becomes ever more complex, fewer design teams are succeeding. Who's to blame? On one hand, tools are hard to use, buggy, not interoperable, and have missing functionality. On the other hand, there is a wide range of engineering skills, and tools can be abused within flawed methodologies. This panel will quantify and prioritize the key gaps that must be addressed on both sides.

**6.1 Tools or Users: Which is the Bigger Bottleneck?**

Ron Collett - Numetrics Management Systems, Inc., Santa Clara, CA
Patrick Groeneveld - Magma Design Automation, Inc., Cupertino, CA
Lavi Lev - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA
Nancy Nettleton - Sun Microsystems, Palo Alto, CA
Paul Rodman - ReShape, Inc., Mountain View, CA
Lambert Van den Hoven - Philips Research Labs., Eindhoven, The Netherlands

Session 7  rm: Auditorium A

**SPECIAL SESSION: LIFE AFTER CMOS: IMMINENT OR IRRELEVANT?**

**CHAIRS:** Dennis Sylvester - Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
Kaustav Banerjee - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA
**ORGANIZERS:** Dennis Sylvester, Kaustav Banerjee

With the introduction of 90nm CMOS processes as early as the fourth quarter of this year, we are finally entering the heralded nanometer CMOS regime. In nanoscale CMOS, many fundamental questions now become more pressing: how far can we scale the traditional planar CMOS paradigm, what device technologies are in development that can potentially replace CMOS and when? This session addresses both evolutionary and revolutionary approaches to continuing along Moore's Law. We start with industrial perspectives on how to best extend the lifespan of CMOS as we know it with the latter half of the session devoted to more radical departures from today's devices.

**7.1 Life is CMOS: Why Chase the "Life-After"?**

George Sery - Intel Corp., Santa Clara, CA
Shikhar Borkar, Vivek De - Intel Corp., Hillsboro, OR

**7.2 The Next Chip Challenge: Effective Methods for Viable Mixed Technology SoCs**

H. Bernhard Pogge - IBM Microelectronics, Hopewell Junction, NY

**7.3 Few Electron Devices: Towards Hybrid CMOS-SET Integrated Circuits**

Adrian Ionescu, Michel J. Derclercq, Santanu Mahapatra - Swiss Federal Institute of Tech., Lausanne, Switzerland
Kaustav Banerjee - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA
Jacques Gautier - CAE-DRT-Levi/DTS, Grenoble, France

**7.4 Carbon Nanotube Field-Effect Transistors for Logic Applications**

Richard Martel, V. Dercyke, J. Appenzeller, S. Wind, Ph. Avouris - IBM Corp., Yorktown Heights, NY

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Session 8

**FORMAL VERIFICATION**

**CHAIR:** Yaron Wolfshal - IBM Corp., Haifa, Israel

**ORGANIZERS:** Carl Pixley, Karem Sakallah

The need and benefits of formal verification (FV) have been accepted for some time. The capacity of FV-based tools is still limited and in this session new technologies and methodologies are presented that enable larger designs to be formally verified. In particular, novel ideas to enhance symbolic simulation, hybrid approach that uses symbolic simulation and model checking and SAT and BDD bounded model-checking.

8.1 Efficient State Representation for Symbolic Simulation

Valeria Bertacco, Kunie Oukuotun - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA

8.2 Handling Special Constructs in Symbolic Simulation

Alfred Koebbi - Tech. Univ. of Munich, Munich, Germany
James Kukula - Synopsys, Inc., Beaverton, OR
Kurt Antreich - Tech. Univ. of Munich, Munich, Germany
Robert Danilano - Synopsys, Inc., Beaverton, OR

8.3 A Hybrid Verification Approach: Getting Deep Into the Design

Scott Hazeldur - Univ. of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, S. Africa
Osnat Weissberg, Gila Kamhi, Limor Fix - Intel Corp., Haifa, Israel

8.4 Can BDDs Compete with SAT Solvers on Bounded Model Checking?

Gianpiero Cabodi, Paolo E. Camurati, Stefano Quer - Politecnico di Torino, Turin, Italy

Session 9

**HIGH LEVEL SPECIFICATION AND DESIGN**

**CHAIR:** Andreas Kanstein - Motorola, Inc., Austin, TX

**ORGANIZERS:** Limor Fix, Shin’ichi Minato

With increasing design complexity, different technologies have been developed to bridge the gap between the amount of logic that can be put on a chip and the design and verification effort necessary to build such a chip. In this session, C-based design methodology is presented. High level specification is used for generation of IP monitors, for designing pipeline control and for constraining the design environment.

9.1 RTL C-Based Methodology for Designing and Verifying a Multi-Threaded Processor

Luc Semeja - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA
Andrew Seawright - D-In Design Automation, San Jose, CA
Renu Mehra - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA
Daniel Ng - Broadcom, Inc., San Jose, CA
Arjuna Ekanayake, Barry Pangle - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA

9.2 High-Level Specification and Automatic Generation of IP Interface Monitors

Marcio T. Oliveira, Alan J. Hu - Univ. of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia

9.3 Achieving Maximum Performance: A Method for the Verification of Interlocked Pipeline Control Logic

Kerstin I. Eder - Univ. of Bristol, Bristol, Great Britain
Geoff Barrett - Broadcom Corp., Bristol, Great Britain

9.4 Formal Verification of Module Interfaces Against Real Time Specifications

Arindam Chakrabarti - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA
Pallab Dasgupta, Partha R. Chakrabarti, Ansuman Banerjee - Indian Institute of Tech., Kharagpur, India

Session 10

**TIMING ABSTRACTION**

**CHAIR:** Mark Hahn - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA

**ORGANIZERS:** Chandu Visweswariah, Narendra V. Shenoy

Hierarchical timing verification and re-use of IP blocks require accurate timing abstraction. The first three papers of this session present various approaches to efficient generation of timing abstractions. The last paper applies ATPG and implication techniques to automatically detect multi-cycle paths in sequential circuits.

10.1 Automated Timing Model Generation

Ajay J. Daga, Loa Mize, Subramaniam Sripara, Chris Wolff, Qiuyang Wu - Synopsys, Inc., Hillsboro, OR

10.2 Timing Model Extraction of Hierarchical Blocks by Graph Reduction

Cho Moon - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., San Diego, CA
Harish Kripiani, Krishna P. Belkhale - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA

10.3 Efficient Stimulus Independent Timing Abstraction Model Based on a New Concept of Circuit Block Transparency

Martin Fath, Brian Foutz, Sean C. Tyler - Hewlett-Packard Co., Fort Collins, CO

10.4 An Implication-Based Method to Detect Multi-Cycle Paths in Large Sequential Circuits

Hiroyuki Higuchi - Fujitsu Labs. Ltd., Kawasaki, Japan
**SPECIAL SESSION: E-TEXTILES**

**CHAIR:** Majid Sarafzadeh - Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA

**ORGANIZER:** Majid Sarafzadeh

Topics: Enabling technologies and fabrication techniques for the economical manufacture of large-area, flexible, conformable e-textiles applications. E-textiles represents a revolutionary step by bringing together textiles and electronics in a common effort to integrate many elementary sensors, actuators, logic, and power sources sparsely distributed application, with highly unreliable behavior, but with stringent constraints on operational longevity. On-the-fly reconfigurability and adaptability with low computational overhead. Device and technology challenges imposed by embedding simple computational elements into fabric, by building yarns with computational capabilities, or by the need of unconventional power sources.

**11.1 Reconfigurable Fabric**
Deborah Estrin, Glenn Reimann, Mani Srivatsava, Majid Sarafzadeh - Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA

**11.2 The Wearable Motherboard: A Framework for Personalized Mobile Information Processing (PMIP)**
Sungmee Park, Sundaresan Jayaraman, Ken Mackenzie - Georgia Institute of Tech., Atlanta, GA

**11.3 Opportunities and Challenges In E-textile Modeling, Analysis and Optimization**
Diana Marculescu, Radu Marculescu, Pradeep Khosla - Carnegie Mellon Univ., Pittsburgh, PA

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**PANEL: ANALOG INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: NOW OR NEVER?**

**CHAIR:** Stephen Ohr - EET/CMP Media, San Francisco, CA

**ORGANIZERS:** Linda Marchant, Philippe Magarshack

With more and more Systems-on-chip makers hoping to include analog functional blocks as a means of differentiating their designs, it is therefore tempting to believe that analog intellectual properties (IP) can be created, traded and integrated with the same tools and methodologies with which digital IP are moved about. But is analog IP a viable business? Can analog IPs be traded — given that design tuning is needed for every new chip variant, and every new process generation? Certainly, silicon foundries need to rely on a wide set of external IP offerings, in order to allow their users to build complete systems. Are they seeing enough activity in Analog IP designs to justify specialized fab runs, or the kind of process tuning that would allow analog and digital IPs to coexist on the same chip? What is the future of analog designs at the very low voltage-swings coming with sub-100nm CMOS? What CAD tools are needed to help analog designers? Are newly emerging EDA technologies, designed to enhance analog design productivity, maturing rapidly enough to be accepted by designers? Certainly many Analog IP providers and Analog EDA tool vendors would argue that the answer is yes. However, how many ‘traditional’ analog designers would admit they are still using kit parts and breadboards — maybe Spice and manual IC layout techniques — today in their everyday job? This panel of experts — representing analog designers, analog EDA tool providers, silicon foundries and analog IP vendors — will address these issues, and provide a likely context for analog IP development and trade.

**12.1 Analog Intellectual Property: Now or Never?**
Mike Brunelli - NurLogic Design, Inc., San Diego, CA
Masao Hotta - Hitachi Ltd., Gunma-ken, Japan
Felicia James - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA
Rudolf Koch - Infineon Technologies AG, Munich, Germany
Roy McGuffin - Antrim Design Systems, Inc., Scotts Valley, CA
Andrew Moore - TSMC, San Jose, CA
LOW-POWER SYSTEM DESIGN
CHAIR: Giovanni De Micheli - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA
ORGANIZERS: Renu Mehra, Enrico Macii

This session deals with system level power minimization using dynamic voltage scaling. The first paper describes task scheduling algorithms that minimize energy in a multiprocessor environment. The second paper describes task scheduling algorithms that maximize battery life. The third paper minimizes energy in a multiprocessor environment by allowing each loop nest to be executed with multiple process and shutting off unused processors.

13.1 Task Scheduling and Voltage Selection for Energy Minimization
Yumin Zhang - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA
Xiaobo (Sharon) Hu, Danny Z. Chen - Univ. of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

13.2 Battery-Conscious Task Sequencing for Portable Devices Including Voltage/Clock Scaling
Daler Rakhatov, Sarma Vrudhula - Univ. of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
Chaitali Chakrabarti - Arizona State Univ., Tempe, AZ

13.3 An Energy Saving Strategy Based on Adaptive Loop Parallelization
Ismail Kadayif, Mahmut T. Kandemir - Penn State Univ., University Park, PA
Mustafa Karakoy - Imperial College, London, Great Britain

Session 14
FABRIC-DRIVEN LOGIC SYNTHESIS
CHAIR: Tiziano Villa - Parades, Roma, Italy
ORGANIZERS: Malgorzata Marek-Sadowska, Steven Nowick

Papers in this section discuss synthesis approaches which target specific fabrics. The first paper proposes a new regular layout structure and discusses logic synthesis for it. The second paper describes a modified Bellman-Ford algorithm for cycle stealing in FPGAs. The third paper shows how layout information can improve carry-save adder designs.

14.1 River PLAs: A Regular Circuit Structure
Fan Mo, Robert K. Brayton - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA

14.2 Withdrawn

14.3 Layout-Aware Synthesis of Arithmetic Circuits
Junhyung Um, Taewhan Kim - KAIST, Taejon, Korea

Session 15
MEMORY MANAGEMENT AND ADDRESS OPTIMIZATION IN EMBEDDED SYSTEMS
CHAIR: Nikhil Dutt - Univ. of California, Irvine, CA
ORGANIZERS: Diederik Verkest, Luca Benini

Memory access and addressing is often a critical issue in embedded system design. The papers in this session describe approaches to reduce/eliminate memory bottlenecks.

15.1 Automatic Data Migration for Reducing Energy Consumption in Multi-Bank Memory Systems
Victor M. De La Luz, Mahmut T. Kandemir - Penn State Univ., University Park, PA
Ibrahim Kelev - UMIST, Manchester, UK

15.2 Exploiting Shared Scratch Pad Memory Space In Embedded Multiprocessor Systems
Mahmut T. Kandemir - Penn State Univ., University Park, PA
J. Ramanujam - Louisiana State Univ., Baton Rouge, LA
Alok Choudhary - Northwestern Univ., Evanston, IL

15.3 Address Assignment Combined with Scheduling in DSP Code Generation
Yoonseu Choi, Taewhan Kim - KAIST, Taejon, Korea
SPECIAL SESSION: OPTICS: LIGHTING THE WAY TO EDA RICHES?

CHAIR: Jaijeet Roychowdhury - Univ. of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
ORGANIZERS: Jaijeet Roychowdhury, Joel R. Phillips

Optical communication has been a key enabler in the development of the Internet. Now it is being considered for on-chip signalling and communication as well. What implications does optics hold for the future of chip design and of EDA? Have EDA and optical CAD anything in common? Can they benefit each other? We look into these questions in this special session, consisting of two invited lectures and a contributed paper. The first talk is an overview of optical systems and their use in communications. The second focuses on computer-aided design techniques in optical communications. The final presentation describes a fast technique for computing optical fields propagating in free space.

16.1 The Optical Internet and the Drive Towards Multifunctional Hybrid Optoelectronic Integration
Edward H. Sargent - Univ. of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

16.2 Computer Aided Design of Long-Haul Optical Fiber Transmission Systems
J. F. Maloney - PhotonEx Corp., Maynard, MA
C. R. Menyuk - Univ. of Maryland, Baltimore, MD

16.3 A Fast Optical Propagation Technique for Modeling Micro-Optical Systems
Timothy R. Kurzweg, Steven R. Levitan, Jose A. Martinez, Mark Kahrs, Donald M. Chiarulli - Univ. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

PANEL: NANOVECTOR DESIGN: WHAT HURTS NEXT?

CHAIR: Lawrence T. Pileggi - Carnegie Mellon Univ., Pittsburgh, PA
ORGANIZERS: Rob A. Rutenbar, Andrew B. Kahng

Every year, the design and EDA communities are besieged by dire warnings about the impending doom of “design as we know it”. Every year, another unpleasant physical effect from the evil depths of deep submicron physics surfaces, compromising our designs in new and vile ways. Every year, the same story: more nanometer woes. Rather than endorse a new winner in this year’s race for the “next worst thing” from the nanometer arena, this panel gathers a set of world-class technology experts to debate what effects are hiding just around the next corner, waiting to pounce on the unwary tool or chip designer. Which among these is really the most important, when will it happen, and why?

17.1 Nanometer Design: What Hurts Next?
Bob Brodersen - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA
Anthony Hill - Texas Instruments, Inc., Dallas, TX
John Kibarian - PDQ Solutions, San Jose, CA
Desmond A. Kirkpatrick - Intel Corp., Hillsboro, OR
Mitsumasa Koyanagi - Tohoku Univ., Sendai, Japan
Mark Lavin - IBM Corp., Yorktown Heights, NY

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### Session 18

**NOVEL DFT, BIST AND DIAGNOSIS TECHNIQUES**

**CHAIR:** Rathish Jayabharathi - Intel Corp., Folsom, CA  
**ORGANIZERS:** Kwang-Ting (Tim) Cheng, T.M. Mak  

This session presents several novel ideas on DFT, BIST and diagnosis. The first paper discusses a DFT technique that utilizes clock control to simplify ATPG. The second paper tackles diagnosis problems with the conventional MISR signatures. The third paper presents a DFT technique to accommodate unknown output values in a BIST scheme. The last paper explores the diagnosis capability of software-based self-test.

#### 18.1 Low-Cost Sequential ATPG with Clock-Control DFT

Miron Abramovici - Agere Systems, Inc., Murray Hill, NJ  
Xiaoming Yu, Liz Rudnick - Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, IL

#### 18.2 Effective Diagnostics Through Interval Unloads in a BIST Environment

Peter Wohl - Synopsys, Inc., Williston, VT  
Greg Maston, John Wacikuksi, Sanjay Patel - Synopsys, Inc., Beaverton, OR

#### 18.3 On Output Response Compression in the Presence of Unknown Output Values

Irith Pomeranz - Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN  
Sandip Kundu - Intel Corp., Austin, TX  
Sudhakar M. Reddy - Univ. of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

#### 18.4 Software-Based Diagnosis for Processors

Li Chen, Sujit Dey - Univ. of California at San Diego, La Jolla, CA

### Session 19

**CASE STUDIES IN EMBEDDED SYSTEM DESIGN**

**CHAIR:** Wayne Wolf - Princeton Univ., Princeton, NJ  
**ORGANIZERS:** Anand Raghunathan, Xiaobo (Sharon) Hu

This session showcases case studies and experiences using application specific design methodologies in the design of embedded systems. The presentations include the design of a Viterbi decoder for wireless handsets, the use of a cost model for Hardware/Software co-design in the design of a digital camera, and the generation of efficient software for H.263 image compression.

#### 19.1 Design of a High-Throughput Low-Power IS95 Viterbi Decoder

Xun Liu, Marios C. Papaefthymiou - Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

#### 19.2 A Detailed Cost Model for Concurrent Use With Hardware/Software Co-Design

Daniel Ragan, Peter Sandborn - Univ. of Maryland, College Park, MD  
Paul Stoaks - Foresight-Systems, Inc., Austin, TX

#### 19.3 Efficient Code Synthesis from Extended Dataflow Graphs for Multimedia Applications

Hyunok Oh, Soonhoi Ha - Seoul National Univ., Seoul, Korea

### Session 20

**THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS OF EMBEDDED SYSTEM DESIGN**

**CHAIR:** Rajesh Gupta - Univ. of California, Irvine, CA  
**ORGANIZERS:** Annette Reutter, Donatella Sciuto

This session presents three formal approaches dealing with performance analysis and refinement transformations in embedded systems design. The first paper introduces formal transformation methods for the refinement of an abstract model into an implementation model. The second paper presents a compositional approach to analyze the timing behavior of complex systems under different scheduling strategies. The final paper shows a new timing generation method for the performance analysis of embedded software.

#### 20.1 Transformation Based Communication and Clock Domain Refinement for System Design

Ingol Sander, Axel Janisch - Royal Institute of Tech., Kista, Sweden

#### 20.2 Model Composition for Scheduling Analysis in Platform Design

Kai R. Richter, Dirk Ziegenbein, Marek Jersak, Rolf Ernst - Tech. Univ. of Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany

#### 20.3 Timed Compiled-Code Simulation of Embedded Software for Performance Analysis of SOC Design

Jong-Yeon Lee, In-Chul Park - KAIST, Taejon, Korea
EQUIVALENCE VERIFICATION

CHAIR: Ziyad Hanna - Intel Corp., Hafia, Israel
ORGANIZER: Shin-ichi Minato

Using an equivalence checker to prove the functional equivalence of two designs is a common and practical verification approach. In this session, new technologies are presented that enable extraction of complex circuits, allow sequential equivalence checking and handle hard-to-verify arithmetic operators.

21.1 Automated Equivalence Checking of Switch Level Circuits
Atanas N. Parashkevov - Motorola, Inc., Mawson Lakes, Australia
Simon Jolly - Foursticks Pty. Ltd., Frewville, Australia
Tim McDougall - Motorola, Inc., Mawson Lakes, Australia

21.2 A Practical and Efficient Method for Compare-Point Matching
Demost Anastasakis, Robert Damiano - Synopsys, Inc., Hillsboro, OR
Hi-Keung T. Ma - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA
Ted Staniot - Synopsys, Inc., Hillsboro, OR

21.3 Self-Referential Verification of Gate-Level Implementations of Arithmetic Circuits
Ying-Tsai Chang, Kwang-Ting (Tim) Cheng - Univ. of California, Santa Barbara, CA

PANEL: WHITHER (OR WITHER?) ASIC HANDOFF

CHAIR: Michael Santarini - EE Times, San Mateo, CA
ORGANIZERS: Mark Miller, Sudhakar Jilla

The traditional ASIC netlist handoff is changing - but to what? Is RTL handoff finally a reality? Or, will a placement-based handoff model emerge? Are differences among underlying tool technologies and methodologies only cosmetic? Or, are there fundamental business and IP distinctions? These and other questions will be discussed as the panel examines the future of the designer - ASIC vendor relationship.

22.1 Whither (or Wither) ASIC Handoff?
Tommy Eng - Tera Systems, Inc., Campbell, CA
Sandeep Khanna - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA
Kamalesh Ruparel - Cisco Systems, Inc., Saratoga, CA
Tom Russell - IBM Microelectronics, Essex Junction, VT
Kazu Yamada - NEC Corp., Santa Clara, CA

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Session 23
embedded software automation: from specification to binary
Chair: Joerg Henkel - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ
Organizers: Marco Di Natale, Xiaobo (Sharon) Hu
The increasing embedded software content of electronic systems makes it important to automate various aspects of the software design flow. This session presents papers that represent advances in embedded software automation, including synthesis from synchronous specifications, automatic library mapping for complex functions using symbolic algebra, and re-targetability of binary utilities.

23.1 software synthesis from synchronous specifications using logic simulation techniques
Yunjian Jiang, Robert K. Brayton - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA

23.2 complex library mapping for embedded software using symbolic algebra
Armita Peymandoust - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA
Tajana Simunic - Hewlett-Packard Labs., Palo Alto, CA
Giovanni De Michelis - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA

23.3 re-targetable binary utilities
Maghsood Abbaspour, Jianwen Zhu - Univ. of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

Session 24
applications of reconfigurable computing
Chair: Ivo Bolsens - Xilinx, Inc., San Jose, CA
Organizers: Grant E. Martin, Kurt Keutzer
This session demonstrates that Reconfigurable Computing has come of age. The first paper looks at how multimedia applications will benefit through dynamic reconfiguration of operation level parallelism. The second one builds a case for partial runtime reconfiguration, demonstrated on a networking application. The final paper is a case study in which what might normally be a software testbench for disk drive design is instead built as reconfigurable hardware, giving much higher performance.

24.1 exploiting operation level parallelism through dynamically reconfigurable datapaths
Zhining Huang, Sharad Malik - Princeton Univ., Princeton, NJ

24.2 dynamic hardware plugins for FPGAs with partial run-time reconfiguration
Edson L. Horta - LSI-EPUSP-USP, Sao Paulo, Brazil
John W. Lockwood - Washington Univ., St. Louis, MO
Dave Parlour - Xilinx, Inc., San Jose, CA
David Taylor - Washington Univ., St. Louis, MO

24.3 a reconfigurable FPGA-based readback signal generator for hard-drive read channel simulator
Jinghuan Chen, Jaekyun Moon, Kia Bazargan - Univ. of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Session 25
new test methods targeting non-classical faults
Chair: Rob Aitken - Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA
Organizers: Miron Abramovici, T.M. Mak
Complexity of VLSI testing requires targeting new types of faults in addition to the classical stuck-at fault model. The session illustrates different aspects of this struggle.

25.1 embedded tutorial: embedded software-based self-testing for SoC design
Angela Krstic, Wei Cheng Lai, Li Chen, Kwang-Ting (Tim) Cheng - Univ. of California, Santa Barbara, CA
Sujit Dey - Univ. of California at San Diego, La Jolla, CA

25.2 a novel wavelet transform based transient current analysis for fault detection and localization
Swarup K. Bhunia, Kaushik Roy - Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN
Jaume Segura - Balearic Islands Univ., Mallorca, Spain

25.3 signal integrity fault analysis using reduced-order modeling
Amir Attarha, Mehrdad Nourani - Univ. of Texas, Richardson, TX

25.4 enhancing test efficiency for delay fault testing using multiple-clocked schemes
Jing Jia Lou, Li C. Wang, Kwang-Ting (Tim) Cheng - Univ. of California, Santa Barbara, CA
Jennifer Dvorak, Ray Mercer - Texas A&M Univ., College Station, TX
Tom Williams - Synopsys, Inc., Boulder, CO
ADVANCES IN SYNTHESIS
CHAIR: Marek Perkowski - Portland State Univ., Portland, OR
ORGANIZERS: Soha M. Hassoun, Yusuke Matsunaga
This section presents advances to the state-of-the-art in three non-mainstream areas which show promise for the future. The first paper presents a powerful back-end optimizer for a leading cad tool which can be applied to large design examples (e.g., microprocessors). The second and third papers focus on the integration of asynchronous design with a conventional cad tool flow. The fourth paper contributes a novel set of optimizing transformations for quantum Boolean circuits. The fifth paper significantly improves runtimes in SIS (sum of pseudo-products) minimization.

28.1 Resynthesis and Peephole Transformations for the Optimization of Large-Scale Asynchronous Systems
Tiberiu Chelcea, Steven M. Nowick - Columbia Univ., New York, NY

28.25 Design of Asynchronous Circuits by Synchronous CAD Tools
Alex Kondratyev - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., Berkeley, CA
Kelvin Law - ReShape Inc., Mountain View, CA

28.35 Implementing Asynchronous Circuits using a Conventional EDA Tool-Flow
Christos Sotiropoulou - FORTH, Heraklion, Crete, Greece

28.4 Transformation Rules for Designing CMOS-Based Quantum Circuits
Shigeru Yamashita - NIT Communication Science Lab, Soraku-gun, Japan
Kazuo Iwama, Yahiyo Kamabayashi - Kyoto Univ., Kyoto, Japan

28.5 Fast Three-Level Logic Minimization Based on Autosymmetry
Anna Bernasconi, Valentina Ciriiani, Fabrizio Luccio, Linda Pagli - Univ. of Pisa, Pisa, Italy

Session 29
ANALOG SYNTHESIS & DESIGN METHODOLOGY
CHAIR: C.-J. Richard Shi - Univ. of Washington, Seattle, WA
ORGANIZERS: Joel R. Phillips, Kartikay Mayaram
This session presents new developments in algorithms and methodology for synthesis and systematic design of analog and mixed-signal circuits. Two papers present progress in automatic model generation for synthesis. The third paper presents exploration methods for high-level design of delta-sigma modulators, and the final paper presents an A/D converter design case study.

29.1 An Efficient Optimization-Based Technique to Generate Posynomial Performance Models for Analog Integrated Circuits
Walter R. Daems, Georges G. Geelen, Willy M. Sansen - Katholieke Univ., Leuven, Belgium

29.2 Remembrance of Circuits Past: Macromodeling by Data Mining in Large Analog Design Spaces

29.3 Optimal Design of Delta-Sigma ADCs by Design Space Exploration
Ovidiu Badechi, Johan H. Huising - Delft Univ. of Tech., Delft, The Netherlands

29.4 STUDENT DESIGN CONTEST: Systematic Design of a 200 MHz/8-bit Interpolating/Averaging A/D Converter
Jan Vandevenbussche - Katholieke Univ., Heverlee, Belgium

Session 30
LOW-POWER PHYSICAL DESIGN
CHAIR: Massoud Pedram - Univ. of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
ORGANIZERS: Chaitali Chakrabarti, Sarma Vrudhula
This session includes papers that address power optimization at the physical level. The first two papers focus on interconnect power estimation and optimization. The first paper describes a fast and accurate method for power estimation using hierarchical Petri nets. The second paper presents a method for power-delay optimal repeater insertion along interconnects. The last two papers deal with novel circuit architectures. The third paper describes a novel method for power reduction in the clock distribution network for domino logic. The last paper shows how a gate virtual ground can be introduced to achieve a significant reduction in the leakage power of SRAMs.

30.1 Petri Net Modeling of Gate and Interconnect Delays for Power Estimation
Ashok K. Murugavel, Nagarajan Ranganathan - Univ. of South Florida, Tampa, FL

30.2 Power Estimation in Global Interconnects and Its Reduction Using a Novel Repeater Optimization Methodology
Pawan Kapur, Gaurav Chandra, Krishna C. Saraswat - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA

30.3 Low-Swing Clock Domino Logic Incorporating Dual Supply and Dual Threshold Voltages
Seong-Ook Jung - Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, IL
Kiwook Kim - Plunris Inc., Cupertino, CA
Sung-Mo Steve Kang - Univ. of California, Santa Cruz, CA

30.4S DRG-Cache: A Data Retention Gated-Cache for Low Power
Amit Agarwal, Hai Li, Kaushik Roy - Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN
### Session 31 4:30 - 5:30 P.M.  rm: Auditorium B


**Chair:** Gary Smith - Dataquest, San Jose, CA  
**Organizers:** Daya Nadamaru, Sharad Malik

As designers struggle with developing application solutions consisting of complex systems-on-a-chip with a significant software component, they must deal with a diversity of tools with very different philosophies and assumptions, to help manage this task. On one hand are tools which assume a clean separation between the hardware and software parts of the design with an abstraction of the hardware available for software development. On the other hand are tools that try to handle the hardware and software parts of the design concurrently. What drives these different philosophies? Which of these is critical for emerging system designs? Which of these is viable going forward? Our panel of experts consisting of designers, embedded software tool providers, system design tool providers and an academic will answer these challenging questions.


- **Brian Bailey** - Mentor Graphics Corp., Wilsonville, OR  
- **Rick Chapman** - SuperH, Inc., Bristol, UK  
- **John Fogelin** - Wind River, Alameda, CA  
- **Kurt Keutzer** - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA  
- **Grant Martin** - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA

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### Session 32 5:30 - 6:00 P.M.  rm: Auditorium A

**Multi-voltage, Multi-threshold Design**

**Chair:** Rajendran Panda - Motorola, Inc., Austin, TX  
**Organizers:** Renu Mehra, Sarma Vrudhula

The availability of multiple supply voltages and dual threshold voltage offers new opportunities for making trade-offs between energy consumption and performance. The first paper presents a method to optimally assign high Vt transistors to clusters of low Vt gates for reducing the leakage power. The second paper describes a practical methodology for dual Vt assignment and gate sizing. The third paper presents a novel application for optimal use of multiple supply voltages.

#### 32.1 Dynamic and Leakage Power Reduction in MTCMOS Circuits Using an Automated Efficient Gate Clustering Technique

- **Mohab H. Anis** - Univ. of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada  
- **Shawki M. Areibi** - Univ. of Guelph, Guelph, ON, Canada  
- **Mohamed K. Mahmoud, Mohamed Elmasry** - Univ. of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada

#### 32.2 Total Power Optimization by Simultaneous Dual-Vt Allocation and Device Sizing in High Performance Microprocessors

- **Tanay Karnik, Yibin Ye, James Tschanz, Liqiong Wei,**  
- **Steven M. Burns** - Intel Corp., Hillsboro, OR  
- **Venkatesh Govindaraju** - Intel Corp., Austin, TX  
- **Vivek K. De, Shekhar Y. Borkar** - Intel Corp., Hillsboro, OR

#### 32.3 An Optimal Voltage Synthesis Technique for a Power-Efficient Satellite Application

- **Dong-In Kang, Jinwoo Suh, Stephen P. Crago** - USC/ISI, Arlington, VA

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**Advanced Simulation Techniques**

**Chair:** L. Miguel Silveira - Univ. of Lisbon, Lisboa, Portugal

**Organizers:** Georges G. Gielen, Kartikeya Mayaram

This session presents progress in simulation techniques for analog systems. First, techniques are presented for simulating optical systems and then for fractional-N frequency synthesizers. Next, we feature two papers on RF simulation: one to include frequency-domain models in time-domain simulation, and the other demonstrating purely time-domain techniques for close-spaced carriers. The final paper presents a novel approach to noise analysis for nonlinear circuits in the frequency domain.

33.1 Fast and Accurate Behavioral Simulation of Fractional-N Frequency Synthesizers and other PLL/DLL Circuits

Michael H. Perrott - Massachusetts Institute of Tech., Cambridge, MA

33.2 Time-Domain Steady-State Simulation of Frequency-Dependent Components using Multi-Interval Chebyshev Method

Baolin Yang, Joel R. Phillips - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA

33.3A Time-Domain RF Steady-State Method for Closely Spaced Tones

Jaideep Roychowdhury - Univ. of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

33.4S An Algorithm for Frequency-Domain Noise Analysis in Nonlinear Systems

Giorgio Casinovi - Georgia Institute of Tech., Atlanta, GA

**Design Methodologies Meet Network Applications**

**Chair:** Anand Raghunathan - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ

**Organizers:** Anand Raghunathan, Marco Di Natale

Networking chips represent a challenging class of applications for EDA tools and methodologies. This session contains presentations that showcase novel design methodologies developed to address performance and power issues in network processors and switch fabrics. The first paper presents an advanced memory management methodology for high-performance network processors. The second presentation addresses power analysis of switch fabrics used in network routers, while the final presentation discusses memory optimizations for single chip switch fabrics.

34.1 System-Level Performance Optimization of the Data Queuing Memory Management in High-Speed Network Processors

Chantal Ykman, Jurgen Lambrecht, Diederik Verkest, Franky Cathoor - IMEC, Heverlee, Belgium

Ani Nikolaiannis - Ellemedia, Athens, Greece

George Konstantoulakis - Inaccess Networks, Athens, Greece

34.2 Analysis of Power Consumption on Switch Fabrics in Network Routers

Terry Tao Ye - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA

Luca Benini - Univ. di Bologna, Bologna, Italy

Giovanni Di Micheli - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA

34.3 Memory Optimization in Single Chip Network Switch Fabrics

David J. Wheeler, Herman Schmit - Carnegie Mellon Univ., Pittsburgh, PA

**Advances in Analog Modeling**

**Chair:** Alan Mantooth - Univ. of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

**Organizers:** Joel R. Phillips, Kartikeya Mayaram

This session features topics related to modeling of analog systems. The first paper presents a high-level behavioral model for coupled oscillators. The next paper seeks to apply formal methods to analog verification problems. The third paper discusses a technique for analyzing unsolvable systems that are possible to construct in the VHDL-AMS language. The final paper presents novel quadrature schemes for computing inductance in the presence of magnetically permeable materials.

35.1 Behavioral Modeling of (Coupled) Harmonic Oscillators

Piet Vanassche, Georges G. Gielen, Willy Sansen - Katholieke Univ., Leuven, Belgium

35.2 Model Checking Algorithms for Analog Verification

Walter Hartong, Lars Hedrich, Erich Barke - Univ. of Hannover, Hannover, Germany

35.35 Regularization of Hierarchical V H D L - AMS Models using Bipartite Graphs

Jochen Mades - Infineon Tech., Munich, Germany

Manfred Glesner - Darmstadt Univ. of Tech., Darmstadt, Germany

35.4S Improving the Generality of the Fictitious Magnetic Charge Approach to Computing Inductances in the Presence of Permeable Materials

Yehia M. Massoud - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA

Jacob K. White - Massachusetts Institute of Tech., Cambridge, MA
**Session 36**

**ADVANCES IN TIMING AND SIMULATION**

**CHAIR:** David J. Haltaway - IBM Corp., Essex Junction, VT

**ORGANIZERS:** Louis Schefter, Narendra V. Shenoy

This session addresses extensions to static timing to take into account statistical manufacturing variations, false paths and both. In addition to timing verification, the final paper focuses on inexpensive acceleration of functional verification by using FPGAs and a special compiler.

36.1 A General Probabilistic Framework for Worst Case Timing Analysis

Michael Orshansky, Kurt Keutzer - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA

36.2S False Timing Path Identification using ATPG Technique and Delay-Based Information

Jing Zeng, Magdy Abadir - Motorola, Inc., Austin, TX
Jacob Abraham - Univ. of Texas, Austin, TX

36.3S False-Path-Aware Statistical Timing Analysis and Efficient Path Selection for Delay Testing and Timing Validation

Jing Jia Liu, Angela Krstic, Li C. Wang, Kwang-Ting (Tim) Cheng - Univ. of California, Santa Barbara, CA

36.4 A Fast, Inexpensive and Scalable Hardware Acceleration Technique for Functional Simulation

Srihari Cadambi, Chandra S. Mulpuri, Pranav N. Ashar - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ

**Session 37**

**PANEL: FORMAL VERIFICATION METHODS: GETTING AROUND THE BRICK WALL**

**CHAIR:** David Dill - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA

**ORGANIZERS:** Nate James, Shishpal Rawat

Do formal verification tools and methodologies require a drastic overhaul to move beyond equivalence checking? Equivalence checking catches errors in synthesis and local hand-modifications to designs. However, the really big problems are with “behavioral” errors and the real power of formal tools can be realized if we can address these errors. Some of our panelists feel that the designer can utilize and benefit from FV technology by making incremental changes to the design methodology. Others however argue that major changes are required to reap the “real” benefit of these new technologies. Just how much change is enough, what is the capacity of our current tools and what is limiting the full deployment of FV technology?

Our panel of experts, consisting of users, tool providers, and core engine builders, will answer these challenging questions. The panel will debate these issues while discussing real live examples from the users base. They will provide a perspective of how the progression of technology will bring to their user base “the real promise” of formal verification.

37.1 Formal Verification Methods: Getting Around the Brick Wall

Gérard Berry - Esterel Tech., Villeneuve-Loubet, France
Limor Fix - Intel Semiconductors Ltd., Haifa, Israel
Harry Foster - VeriFex Systems Inc., Milpitas, CA
Rajeev Ranjan - Real Intent, Santa Clara, CA
Gunnar Staalmarck - Prover Tech., Inc., Stockholm, Sweden
Curt Widdoes - D-In Design Automation, San Jose, CA
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ROUTING AND BUFFERING

CHAIR: Noel Menezes - Intel Corp., Hillsboro, OR
ORGANIZERS: Charles J. Alpert, Steven Teig

Buffering is a key aspect of interconnect design. It is crucial to meld routing and timing into a consistent framework for timing closure. This session covers a range of interconnect performance issues such as efficient interconnect synthesis, buffer planning with pin assignment, and implementation issues in global routing data structures.

38.1 S-Tree: A Technique for Buffered Routing Tree Synthesis
Milos Hrlic, John Lillis - Univ. of Illinois, Chicago, IL

38.2 An Algorithm for Integrated Pin Assignment and Buffer Planning
Hua Xiang, Xiaoping Tang, D. F. Wong - Univ. of Texas, Austin, TX

38.3 An Efficient Routing Database
Narendra V. Shenoy - Synopsys, Inc., Bangalore, India
William Nichols - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA

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SYSTEM ON CHIP DESIGN

CHAIR: Rolf Ernst - Tech. Univ. of Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany
ORGANIZERS: Krzysztof Kuczninski, Miodrag Potkonjak

SoC is the enabling technology that will close the gap between exponentially growing silicon potential and designers productivity. In modern design, memory most often dominates transistor budget. The first paper proposes solutions to smoothly integrate embedded memories in complex SoCs. The second paper introduces a revolutionary protocol design technique which enables exceptional improvements on industrial design. The final two papers address focused but important problems in System designs: efficient use of background memory and design of multiprecision circuit.

39.1 Automatic Generation of Embedded Memory Wrapper for Multiprocessor SoC
Ahmed A. Jerraya - TIMA Lab., Grenoble, France

39.2 A Novel Synthesis Technique for Communication Controller Hardware from Declarative Data Communication Protocol Specifications
Robert Siegmund, Dietmar Müller - Tech. Univ. of Chemnitz, Chemnitz, Germany

39.3 An Integrated Algorithm for Memory Allocation and Assignment in High-Level Synthesis
Sangheon Cho, Tae-Young Kim - KAIST, Taejon, Korea

39.4 High-Level Synthesis of Multiple-Precision Circuits Independent of Data-Objects Length
Maria C. Molina, José M. Mendias, Román Herrida - Complutense Univ., Madrid, Spain

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TIMING ANALYSIS AND MEMORY OPTIMIZATION FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

CHAIR: Giuseppe Lipari - Scuola S. Anna, Pisa, Italy
ORGANIZERS: Marco Di Natale, XiaoBo (Sharon) Hu

High performance embedded systems present many design challenges, e.g., timing analysis and memory management. Papers in this session introduce new techniques to tackle some of these challenges. The first paper presents a schedulability analysis algorithm for real-time systems. The second paper describes a technique to estimate execution time bounds with full consideration of cache effects. The last paper discusses optimization of scratch-pad memory.

40.1 Schedulability of Event-Driven Code Blocks in Real-Time Embedded Systems
Samarjit Chakraborty, Thomas Eriebach, Simon Kuenzli, Lothar Thiele - ETH Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland

40.2 Associative Caches In Formal Software Timing Analysis
Fabian Wolf - Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg, Germany
Jan Staschulat, Rolf Ernst - Tech. Univ. of Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany

40.3 Compiler-Directed Scratch Pad Memory Hierarchy Design and Management
Mahmut T. Kendemir - Penn State Univ., University Park, PA
Alok Choudhary - Northwestern Univ., Evanston, IL
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PROCESSORS AND ACCELERATORS FOR EMBEDDED APPLICATIONS

CHAIR: Chris Rowen - Tensilica, Santa Clara, CA
ORGANIZERS: Kurt Keutzer, Majid Sarrafzadeh

The papers in this session explore the design challenges associated with taking an embedded application all the way to silicon. The first paper explores the design of a Rijndael processor. The second looks at a contemporary embedded processor design. Each of these two designs probes the state-of-the-art in performance. The third paper reviews architectural and micro-architectural issues in the development of an accelerator for network applications.

41.1  STUDENT DESIGN CONTEST: Unlocking the Design Secrets of a 2.29 Gb/s Rijndael Processor
Patrick R. Schaumont, Henry Kuo, Ingrid M. Verbauwhede - Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA

41.2  The ICORE™ 520 MHz Synthesizable CPU Core
Naresh Soni - SMicorelectronics, San Diego, CA

41.3  A Flexible Accelerator for Layer 7 Networking Applications
Gokhan Memik, Bill Mangione-Smith - Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA

Session 42  rm: Auditorium A

PANEL: WHAT IS THE NEXT EDA DRIVER?
CHAIR: Jan Rabaey - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA
ORGANIZERS: Joachim Kunkel, Dennis Brophy

The PC industry was the major consumer of silicon in the 80's and 90's. It defined the requirements for EDA. In a world dominated by PC's, clock frequency was the ultimate measure of performance. Times have changed. Today wireless communications has replaced the PC as the primary driver. How we measure 'cutting edge' has also changed. From MHz to weight, functions, hours of talk time and standby time. This change has created a significant impact on EDA, its innovation and product cycle, particularly in areas like low power design, mixed signal, platform based design, and system level design. Will consumer demand for electronics products continue with the wireless focus, or are their other electronics products looming that will shift consumer demand to alter the forces that drive EDA innovation?

42.1  What's the New EDA Driver?
Raul Camposano - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA
Rick Hetherington - Nexis Systems Corp., San Jose, CA
Larry Lerner - Agilent Tech., Westlake Village, CA
Davoud Samani - Infineon Tech., Wolfenhausen, Germany
CROSS-TALK NOISE ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT

CHAIR: Cheng-Kok Koh - Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN
ORGANIZERS: Kaushik Roy, Noel Menezes

With the scaling of technology, cross-talk noise is becoming increasingly important. The papers in this session describe techniques to analyze and estimate cross-talk noise effects and present routing tools which consider cross-talk as a constraint.

43.1 Estimation of the Likelihood of Capacitive Coupling Noise
Sarma Vrudhula - Univ. of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
David Blaauw - Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
Suparnas Sirichotiyakul - Sun Microsystems, Boston, MA

43.2 Crosstalk Noise Estimation for Noise Management
Paul B. Morton, Wayne Dai - Univ. of California, Santa Cruz, CA

43.3S Variable Frequency Crosstalk Noise Analysis: A Methodology to Guarantee Functionality from DC to FMAC
Byron Krauter, David J. Widiger - IBM Corp., Austin, TX

43.4S Towards Global Routing With RLC Crosstalk Constraints
James Ma, Lei He - Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

TEST COST REDUCTION FOR SOCS

CHAIR: Yervant Zorian - Virage Logic Inc., Fremont, CA
ORGANIZERS: Seiji Kajihara, Kwang-Ting (Tim) Cheng

The papers in this session focus on test cost reduction for SoCs designs. The proposed test compression and scheduling methods bring significant reduction of test application time, test data volume and/or power dissipation during testing. The first paper describes a method of encoding test data. The second paper presents control schemes for testing embedded cores. The last paper describes an integrated framework for SoC test automation.

44.1 Reduction of SOC Test Data Volume, Scan Power and Testing Time Using Alternating Run-length Codes
Anshuman Chandra, Krishnendu Chakrabarty - Duke Univ., Durham, NC

44.2 Embedded Test Control Schemes for Compression in SoCs
Douglas Kay, Sung Chung - Cisco Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA
Samih Mourad - Santa Clara Univ., Santa Clara, CA

44.3 Integrated Wrapper/TMR Co-Optimization, Constraint-Driven Test Scheduling, and Tester Data Volume Reduction for SoCs
Vikram Iyengar, Krishnendu Chakrabarty - Duke Univ., Durham, NC
Erik Jan Marinissen - Philips Research Labs., Eindhoven, The Netherlands

SCHEDULING TECHNIQUES FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

CHAIR: Rolf Ernst - Tech. Univ. of Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany
ORGANIZERS: Diederik Verkest, Donatella Sciuto

More and more embedded systems contain multiple on-chip processors and memory and are often battery powered. In these systems energy efficiency is of extreme importance. This session combines papers that look at how scheduling can influence power dissipation in all parts of the system. The first paper looks at how to better parallelize an application on a multi-processor architecture. The second paper looks at how an OS scheduler can direct DRAM power mode management. The last paper investigates the influence of scheduling on battery lifetime.

45.1 Communication Based Power Management for Battery Efficient System Design
Kanishka Lahiri - Univ. of California at San Diego, La Jolla, CA
Anand Raghunathan - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ
Sujit Dey - Univ. of California at San Diego, La Jolla, CA

45.2 Scheduler-Based DRAM Energy Management
Victor M. De La Luz, Anand Sivasubramaniam, Mahmut T. Kandemir, Vijaykrishnan Narayanan, Mary Jane Irwin - Penn State Univ., University Park, PA

45.3 An Integer Linear Programming Based Approach for Parallelizing Applications in On-Chip Multiprocessors
Ismail Kadadi, Mahmut T. Kandemir - Penn State Univ., University Park, PA
Ugur Sezer - Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
SPECIAL SESSION: DESIGNING SoCs FOR YIELD IMPROVEMENT

CHAIR: Srivaths Ravi - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ
ORGANIZERS: Anand Raghunathan, Alfred E. Dunlop

The increasing scale and complexity of System-on-Chips, together with the emergence of new failure mechanisms in nanometer technologies, poses serious challenges to various steps of the SoC manufacturing process, including manufacturing test, defect diagnosis, yield enhancement, and reliability improvement. Conventional approaches to address these issues are giving way to solutions that increasingly involve special IP blocks embedded in the SoCs (called infrastructure IP) to help with the above steps. The first presentation will focus on how infrastructure IPs can be used to address various manufacturing challenges, ranging from manufacturing test and silicon debug to improving yield and reliability. The second presentation addresses a recent and growing trend in SoCs - the use of embedded reconfigurable logic. It covers the self-test, diagnosis, and repair for yield improvement of embedded FPGAs, and outlines how they can be used to test other embedded cores.

46.1 Embedded Tutorial: Embedding Infrastructure IP for SoC Yield Improvement
Yervant Zorian - Virage Logic Inc., Fremont, CA

46.2 Embedded Tutorial: Using Embedded FPGAs for SoC Yield Improvement
Miron Abramovici - Agere Systems, Inc., Murray Hill, NJ
Charles Stroud - Univ. of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC
Marty Emmert - Wright State Univ., Dayton, OH

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ADVANCES IN SAT

CHAIR: Joao Marques-Silva - IST/INESC, Lisboa, Portugal
ORGANIZERS: Malgorzata Marek-Sadowska, Soha M. Hassoun

This session focuses on different techniques to enhance Boolean SAT solvers. The first paper presents a proof engine to combine different SAT-solving strategies. The second paper utilizes symmetry to speed-up solvers. The third paper describes a tool that reports the percentage of search space explored by the solver. The fourth paper proposes several optimization techniques that can improve speed. The last paper combines circuit-based and CNF-based algorithms.

47.1 A Proof Engine Approach to Solving Combinational Design Automation Problems
Gunnar Andersson, Per Bjesse, Byron Cook - Prover Tech., Portland, OR
Ziyad Hanna - Intel Corp., Haifa, Israel

47.2 Solving Difficult SAT Instances in the Presence of Symmetry
Fadi A. Aloul, Arathi Ramani, Igor Markov, Kareem Sakallah - Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

47.3 Satometer: How Much Have We Searched?
Fadi A. Aloul, Brian Sierawski, Kareem Sakallah - Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

47.45 SAT with Partial Clauses and Back-Leaps
Sławomir Pilarski, Gracia Hu - Synopsys, Inc., Beaverton, OR

47.5S Combining Strengths of Circuit-Based and CNF-Based Algorithms for a High-Performance SAT Solver
Malay K. Ganai - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ
Lintao Zhang - Princeton Univ., Princeton, NJ
Pranav Ashar, Aarti Gupta - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ
Sharad Malik - Princeton Univ., Princeton, NJ
INDUCTANCE AND SUBSTRATE ANALYSIS

CHAIR: Noel Menezes - Intel Corp., Hillsboro, OR

ORGANIZERS: Jaijeet Roychowdhury, Mustafa Celik

Substrate and inductance effects are becoming increasingly important in high-speed digital/mixed-signal integrated circuits and systems. The first three papers deal with aspects of inductance extraction, modelling and analysis. The remaining two papers propose methods for substrate inductance and extraction.

48.1 A Solenoidal Basis Method For Efficient Inductance Extraction

Hemant Mahawar, Vivek Sarin, Weiping Shi - Texas A&M Univ., College Station, TX

48.2 On the Efficacy of Simplified 2D On-Chip Inductance Models

Tao Lin, Michael W. Beattie, Lawrence T. Pileggi - Carnegie Mellon Univ., Pittsburgh, PA

48.3A Physical Model for the Transient Response of Capacitively Loaded Distributed RLC Interconnects

Raguraman Venkatesan, Jeffrey Davis, James Meindl - Georgia Institute of Tech., Atlanta, GA

48.4A SpeedEX: A High-Speed Extractor for Substrate Noise Analysis in Complex Mixed-Signal SOC

Adil Koukab, Catherine Dehollain, Michel Declercq - EDF-LEG, Lausanne, Switzerland

48.5 Combined BEM/FEM Substrate Resistance Modelling

Eelco Schrik, N. P. van der Meij - Delft Univ. of Tech., Delft, The Netherlands

DEVELOPMENT OF PROCESSORS AND COMMUNICATION NETWORKS FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

CHAIR: Jan Rabaey - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA

ORGANIZERS: Grant E. Martin, Majid Sarrafzadeh

Processors and their interconnect networks are the building blocks of the next generation of embedded system platforms. The first paper in this session examines system level design issues, including instruction set extensions, for wireless security. As current processing technology has given us the capability of incorporating multi-processors systems on a single chip, it is timely that the subsequent papers in this section examine system design issues associated with building communication systems for these processors.

49.1 System Design Methodologies for a Wireless Security Processing Platform

Srivaths Ravi, Anand Raghunathan, Nachiketh Potapally, Murugan Sankaradi - NEC Corp., Princeton, NJ

49.2 Constraint-Driven Communication Synthesis

Alessandro Pinto, Luca P. Carloni, Alberto L. Sangiovanni-Vincentelli - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA

49.3 Component-Based Design Approach for Multicore SoCs

Wander O. Cesário, Ameer Baghdadi, Srvick, Damien Lyonard, Gabriela Nicolescu, Yanick Paviot, Sungjo Yoo, Ahmed A. Jerraya - TIMA Lab., Grenoble, France

49.4 Traffic Analysis for On-Chip Networks Design of Multimedia Applications

Girish V. Varadkar, Radu Marculescu - Carnegie Mellon Univ., Pittsburgh, PA

MOVING TOWARDS MORE EFFECTIVE VALIDATION

CHAIR: Magdy Abadir - Motorola, Inc., Austin, TX

ORGANIZERS: Carl Pixley, Masahiro Fujita

Designs are becoming more and more complex and thus in order to achieve high functional quality, functional validation must become more effective. In this session, several successful approaches are presented towards this end: using formal specification to drive test-generation and coverage, Coverage hole analysis, Simulation-based sequential ATPG and direct/pseudo-random testing and formal verification.

50.1 Deriving a Simulation Input Generator and a Coverage Metric From a Formal Specification

Kanna Shimizu, David L. Dill - Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA

50.2 Hole Analysis for Functional Coverage Data

Oded Lachish, Eitan Marcus, Shmuel Ur, Avi Ziv - IBM Haifa Research Lab., Haifa, Israel

50.3 Effective Safety Property Checking Using Simulation-Based Sequential ATPG

Shuo Sheng - Rutgers Univ., Piscataway, NJ

50.4 A Comparison of Three Verification Techniques: Directed Testing, Pseudo-Random Testing and Property Checking

Mike G. Bartley, Darren Galpin, Tim Blackmore - Infineon Tech., Bristol, Great Britain
**SPECIAL SESSION: ENERGY EFFICIENT MOBILE COMPUTING**

**CHAIR:** Enrico Macii - Politecnico di Torino, Torino, Italy  
**ORGANIZER:** Mani Srivastava

This special session will address issues related to the design of computing systems operating at low-power regimes and supporting wireless communication and network connection. Speakers will provide their perspectives regarding three key components of these kinds of systems. The first talk will face the problem of designing low-energy communication protocols; state-of-the-art solutions will be illustrated, also by way of examples. The second presentation will address design and implementation issues of energy-efficient digital architecture for signal processing. Finally, in the third paper, energy considerations concerning RF and mixed-signal circuits to be used in mobile computing systems will be discussed.

**51.1 Energy-Efficient Communication Protocols**  
Carla F. Chiasserini - Politecnico di Torino, Torino, Italy  
Pavan Nuggehalli, Vikaram Srinivasan, Ramesh R. Rao - Univ. of California at San Diego, La Jolla, CA

**51.2 Reliable and Energy-Efficient Digital Signal Processing**  
Naresh R. Shanbhag - Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, IL

**51.3 CMOS: A Paradigm for Low-Power Wireless?**  
Michiel Steyaert, Peter Vancorenland - Katholieke Univ., Leuven, Belgium

**FLOORPLANNING AND PLACEMENT**

**CHAIR:** Ralph Otten - Delf Univ. of Tech.,  
Delf, The Netherlands  
**ORGANIZERS:** Ralph Otten, Steven Teig

In the past many representations for floorplans and rectangle dissections have been found. How to use these in a productive way, for example in optimization with the right objectives, is far from trivial. In this session ideas from combining representations to get better solutions faster to working with multiple constraints and objectives, will be presented.

**52.1 TCG-S: Orthogonal Coupling of P*-admissible Representations for General Floorplans**  
Jai Ming Lin - National Chiao Tung Univ., Hsinchu, Taiwan, ROC  
Yao Wen Chang - National Taiwan Univ., Taipei, Taiwan, ROC

**52.2 Floorplanning with Alignment and Performance Constraints**  
Xiaoping Tang, D. F. Wong - Univ. of Texas, Austin, TX

**52.3 Algorithms for Simultaneous Satisfaction of Multiple Constraints and Objective Optimization in a Placement Flow with Application to Congestion Control**  
Ke Zhong, Shantanu Dutt - Univ. of Illinois, Chicago, IL
CIRCUIT EFFECTS IN STATIC TIMING

CHAIR: Jamil Kawa – Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA
ORGANIZERS: Chandu Visvesvariah, Louis Scheffer

Static timing analysis increasingly needs to take circuit effects into account. This session presents novel approaches to incorporating delay changes due to power/ground noise, interconnect loading and crosstalk during static timing. The final paper is devoted to a study of electrostatic discharge failures.

53.1 Coping with Buffer Delay Change Due to Power and Ground Noise

Lauren Chen – Avanti Corp., Fremont, CA
Malgorzata Marek-Sadowska, Forrest Brewer – Univ. of California, Santa Barbara, CA

53.2 Oscillating Thevenin Model for Predicting Delay and Slew of Capacitively Characterized Cells

Bernard N. Sheehan – Mentor Graphics Corp., Waltham, MA

53.3 Timed Pattern Generation for Noise-on-Delay Calculation

Seung Hoon Choi – Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN
Fiorenzo Darpia – Intel Corp., Hillsboro, OR
Kaushik Roy – Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN

53.4 VeriCDF: A New Verification Methodology for Charged Device Failures

Jaesik-Lee – Lucent Tech., Murray Hill, NJ
Ki-Wook Kim – Pluris Inc., Cupertino, CA
Sung-Mo Steve Kang – Univ. of California, Santa Cruz, CA

DESIGN SPACE EXPLORATION FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

CHAIR: Henk Corporaal – IMEC/DESICS, Leuven, Belgium
ORGANIZERS: Jo Dale Carothers, Luca Benini

This session encompasses aspects of design exploration for embedded systems. The first paper presents a methodology for exploring the design space of packet processing devices on the system level. The next paper presents a technique for energy estimation and optimization of embedded systems. The session concludes with a paper on energy reduction techniques for SDRAM memory systems.

54.1 A Framework for Evaluating Design Tradeoffs in Packet Processing Architectures

Lothar Thiele, Samarjit Chakraborty, Matthias Gries, Simon Kuenzli – ETH Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland

54.2 Energy Estimation and Optimization of Embedded ULIW Processors Based on Instruction Clustering

Andrea Bona – Alari, Lugano, Switzerland
Mariangiovanna Sami, Donatella Sciuto – Politecnico di Milano, Milano, Italy
Cristina Silvano – Univ. di Milano, Milano, Italy
Vittorio Zaccaria – Politecnico di Milano, Milano, Italy
Roberto Zaffaroni – STMicroelectronics, Agrate Brianza, Italy

54.3 Energy Exploration and Reduction of SDRAM Memory Systems


BEHAVIORAL SYNTHESIS

CHAIR: Petru Elea – Linköping Univ., Linköping, Sweden
ORGANIZERS: Ahmed A. Jerraya, Krzysztof Kuchcinski

Behavioral synthesis has been around for a long time but it is only now that it is addressing issues that will make it directly useful for designers. The first paper bridges the gap between behavioural synthesis and processor design using innovative synthesis techniques. The second paper leverages on engineering change paradigms to develop more flexible design flow. The last paper proposes a generic scheme for applying engineering changes to an arbitrary behavioural synthesis problem.

55.1 Coordinated Transformations for High-Level Synthesis of High Performance Microprocessor Blocks

Sumit Gupta – Univ. of California, Irvine, CA
Timothy Kam, Michael Kishinevsky – Intel Corp., Hillsboro, OR
Shai Rotem – Intel Corp., Haifa, Israel
Nick Savoiu, Nikol Dutt, Rajesh Gupta, Alex Nicolaou – Univ. of California, Irvine, CA

55.2 Forward-Looking Objective Functions: Concept and Applications in High Level Synthesis

Jennifer L. Wong, Seapahn Megerian, Miodrag Potkonjak – Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA

55.3 ILP-Based Engineering Change

Farinaz Koushanfar – Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA
Jennifer L. Wong, Jessica Feng, Miodrag Potkonjak – Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA
MARDY TUTORIAL 1 - AN INTRODUCTION TO EMBEDDED SOFTWARE: ISSUES, TOOLS AND METHODS - FOR HW AND EDA DESIGNERS

ROOM: 294
Lunch: 296

ORGANIZER: Marco Di Natale - Scuola Superiore S. Anna, Pisa, Italy
PRESENTERS: Frank Pospiech - Alcatel, Zaventem, Belgium
Krith Ramamritham - Indian Institute of Tech., Bombay, India
Bran Selic - Rational Software, Kanata, ON, Canada
Gjalt de Jong - Telelogic Components AB, Leuven, Belgium

Audience: The tutorial is primarily intended for HW oriented designers and EDA designers, who due to growing software issues, need an introduction to fundamental methodologies, tools and algorithms for embedded real-time software design. The tutorial starts with fundamental issues and introductory material which is necessary to understand the state-of-the art in software development’s best practices but also addresses major future areas of research and industrial practice.

Description: The tutorial focuses on the main problems related to embedded software design. We have divided the tutorial into 4 parts. The first part is an overview, which covers architecture models as well as tradeoffs and fundamental issues in the design and development of the software structure, from hardware-dependent software to operating system, middleware and application layers. The second part addresses real-time operating systems, real-time analysis and guaranteed scheduling.

This section starts with an overview of common RTOS architectures and services and a discussion of major commercial RTOS capabilities together with real-life implementation issues. Current best practices in real-time scheduling and resource management, starting from the well-known Rate Monotonic policy are addressed.

The third and fourth sections cover ESW methodology and tools focusing on how to achieve higher productivity through automation. The tutorial introduces the use of visual design notations to describe embedded programs and features a survey of existing CASE (Computer Aided Software Engineering) tools that provide higher productivity and higher quality software by generation of code from visual designs. Among the existing models and tools, the tutorial focuses especially on UML (Unified Modeling Language) and SDL (Specification and Description Language), today the dominant visual design notations. Capabilities and limitations of both models in the context of real design practice are discussed.

The talks will also emphasize future trends and take a look at advanced issues such as the perspectives for a two language merger and the evolution of the standards.
TUTORIAL 2 - INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DESIGN AND INTEGRATION FOR SOCS

Room: 291

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Natividad Madrid - FZI, Karlsruhe, Germany
PRESENTERS: Ralf Seepold - FZI, Karlsruhe, Germany
Martin Radetzki - sci-worx GmbH, Hannover, Germany
Janick Bergeron - Qualis Design Corp., Ottawa, ON, Canada
Volker Meyer zu Bexten - ATMEL Germany GmbH, Ulm, Germany
Grant Martin - Cadence Design Systems, Inc., Berkeley, CA
Michael Payer - Infineon Technologies AG, Munich, Germany

Audience: IP users and providers; SoC designers and integrators; design engineers, researchers and managers interested in updating their knowledge on methodologies and tools for IP design and integration.

Description: The complexity of current system design in networking, high-speed links, multimedia, wireless and automotive domains can be managed by applying Intellectual Property (IP) reuse. The application of reuse methodologies for System-on-Chip (SoC) design has already proven its validity by bridging the productivity gap, meeting critical time-to-market objectives, reducing costs, reducing design errors, and easing verification and testing.

The aim of this tutorial is to provide an updated overview on the main methodologies, techniques and tools to develop IP-based SoC design. Furthermore, special attention will be dedicated to selected and innovative hot-topics in the area.

The first aspect to be highlighted is IP qualification. Quality is becoming a decisive factor in the IP business. Customers often distrust the suppliers due to earlier bad experiences. The tutorial will present the quality criteria most important to facilitate successful IP reuse. Reusability should be applied not only to design but also to verification as a productivity enhancement. The tutorial will give an answer to the question of IP verification by introducing a best-in-class methodology for the functional verification of IP. After that, the tutorial will move into the challenges of analog and mixed-signal IP. Taking it into account the increasing amount of SoCs incorporating analog components, more and more designers will have to face this challenge. A major key to the SoC design methodologies incorporating high levels of IP reuse is the application of platform-based design. The tutorial will define platform-based design, and describe the major methodologies for IP design and integration in this context, including system-level design, logical design, and physical design and integration as well as software IP and analogue-mixed-signal design issues, specifically as they relate to design platforms. Finally, the tutorial will provide experiences and practical aspects of IP integration from the point of view of an IP user, incorporating internal and external IPs into a custom specific SoC.
TUTORIAL 3 - MODELING TECHNOLOGY FOR HIGH FREQUENCY DESIGN

ORGANIZER: Joel R. Phillips - Cadence Berkeley Labs., San Jose, CA
PRESENTERS: Andreas Cangellaris - Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, IL
Luca Daniel - Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA
Joel R. Phillips - Cadence Berkeley Labs., San Jose, CA
Ken Shepard - Columbia Univ., New York, NY

Audience: The intended audience includes CAD tool developers, R&D engineers, and academic researchers.

Description: One of the fundamental challenges of design automation is the construction and manipulation of models that provide a bridge between different levels of abstraction in the representation of a physical system. Model reduction is a popular approach for automatically generating higher-level models from circuit- and physical- level system descriptions. This tutorial focuses on model reduction algorithms and their practical application to a broad range of problems in electromagnetic modeling, IC interconnect analysis, analog/RF circuit modeling, and MEMS.

The first part of the tutorial features background material necessary to understand the mathematics underlying modern model reduction algorithms, formulate modeling tasks as reduction problems, and successfully apply reduction algorithms. We discuss properties of rational approximation, theory and implementation of Krylov subspace algorithms such as PVL, Arnoldi, and PRIMA, and physical constraints such as passivity that must be preserved to ensure generation of well-behaved models.

Second, we discuss application of model reduction algorithms to design of circuits operating at gigahertz frequencies. We begin by analyzing requirements for electromagnetic modeling, including hierarchical interconnect models that incorporate increasingly sophisticated physical modeling, and new approaches necessary to treat on-chip passive components such as integrated inductors. We will work through examples of how model reduction algorithms can be used to generate circuit models from EM analysis codes, as well as how model reduction can be used to solve several problems arising in construction of EM analysis codes themselves.

Next, we consider model reduction techniques applied to high-frequency interconnect analysis on a large, full-chip scale. This includes techniques for extracting lumped quasi-static R, L, C models on a full-chip basis and combining these with model-order reduction techniques to analyze analog effects in the transmission of digital data across the chip (timing and signal integrity).

Finally, we survey application of model reduction algorithms to wider classes of systems, drawing examples from microelectromechanical systems modeling and RF circuit analysis.
TUTORIAL 4 - USING SYSTEMC™ FOR SYSTEM LEVEL MODELING AND DESIGN

ORGANIZERS: Kevin Kranen - Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA
Mike Baird - Willamette HDL, Inc., Beaverton, OR

PRESENTERS: Mike Baird - Willamette HDL, Inc., Beaverton, OR
Rob Slater - Motorola Semiconductor Israel, Ltd. (MSIL), Herzelia, Israel
John Sanguinetti - Forte Design Systems, San Jose, CA

Audience: The tutorial is intended for system-oriented design and verification engineers, deeply embedded software and hardware developers and EDA tool developers who want to learn about effective system design and verification methodologies that utilize the newly-emerging SystemC language.

Description: This tutorial focuses on the process of capturing, verifying and refining a system-level design from a concept, expressed in an executable functional specification to a ready-to-implement fully-specified architecture, leveraging the SystemC language.

First, we survey the different languages in use today, including SystemC, Verilog, VHDL, "e", OpenVera, C/C++, and SuperLog, highlighting the capabilities of each for modeling a complete system at various levels of abstraction. Each language will be examined for its capability to facilitate RTL design, Verification, System design and Embedded Software development.

Next, we present an overview of SystemC v2.0, highlighting key capabilities of the SystemC language, specifically in the context of system design methodologies. We will share prototypical system-level design flows in use today, introducing the concepts of communications and functional refinement as well as defining levels of abstraction through the flow. This will be followed by a guided tour of the key constructs of the SystemC language, focusing on those that are critical to system-level modeling and to making early architectural tradeoffs, including modules, ports, channels, interfaces, processes, transactions and high-level datatypes.

An experienced user of SystemC will share a detailed view of the design flow his team used for several chip projects, outlining both the improvements and the caveats they experienced using SystemC.

Finally, we will present a more detailed view on how SystemC can be used to speed system-level verification, while sharing new language concepts and constructs under development within the Open SystemC Initiative that simplify and extend the ability of SystemC for this purpose. Concepts covered include randomization, constraints, weighting and transactors.

SystemC is a standard design and verification language built in C++ that spans from concept to implementation in hardware and software. The SystemC platform, which includes the SystemC specification, source code and reference manual, can be downloaded at www.systemc.org.

SystemC is a trademark of the Open SystemC Initiative.
Audience: The target audience includes (1) physical implementation methodologists and CAD system integrators (e.g., in the COT context), (2) EDA researchers and developers, and (3) system and circuit designers and design project managers who would benefit from understanding the limitations and capabilities of leading-edge design technology. Attendees should have some background knowledge of physical design and back-end methodology.

Description: A reliable physical implementation path from RTL to GDSII is more than the sum of its parts. Successful chip implementation must focus on “hot spots” in the flow and work around tool limitations. At the same time, resource constraints must be met. For example, a COT team with limited CAD resources must usually rely on a mostly off-the-shelf flow, unlike the team at an ASIC design center or IDM. This tutorial will present the state of existing capabilities and “best practices”, including specifics of vendor tools, tool-independent technology considerations, and insight into internal design capabilities.

After establishing a baseline overall physical implementation methodology, the tutorial will address the following “hot spots”:

1. Early decisions in project bringup, including use of cores and other third-party IP, use of hierarchy, RTL practices (e.g., registered-in / registered-out design and other “rules of the tavern”), implications of test strategy (e.g., scan BIST), pad layout implications, and choice of library.
2. Modern timing optimization and closure methodology at synthesis, placement, and detailed routing stages of implementation, using degrees of freedom such as fanout tree rebuilding, repeater/buffer insertion, sizing, and rewiring. The discussion will center on use of recent integrated placement and timing convergence tools, and also include congestion management in synthesis and RTL coding, as well as calibration and proper use of timing-driven features.
3. Signal integrity methodology, including management of crosstalk-induced noise and delay variation, inductance modeling, IR drop and ground bounce.
4. Hierarchy management, including advantages and disadvantages of hierarchical vs. flat, with respect to repeater insertion, pin assignment, hierarchy reconciliation, and performance macromodeling and analysis.
5. Floorplanning, including (i) creation of P&R blocks from the logical hierarchy, (ii) the use of abutment, repeater blocks, and bonus/spare cells and interconnects within the range of floorplanning approaches, (iii) consequences of area-I/O vs. peripheral I/O, and (iv) other considerations such as I/O bound “sparse” chip design and datapath planning.
6. Methodology for on-chip power and clock planning and distribution.
7. Verification issues, including manufacturability (antenna rule design and verification, area fill sub-flow, etc.), overall physical design integration issues (DRC/LVS), and the range of necessary equivalence checks.
8. Packaging, including flip-chip and I/O cell issues, system/package/chip codesign issues, and VDD/VSS and I/O distribution.
9. Other issues as time permits, including (i) adoption of new and innovative design tools and technologies, and (ii) the role of design verification, validation and integration (third-party IP issues, test benches, use of automated test and lab equipment, etc.).
TUTORIAL 6 - NEW COMPUTING PLATFORMS FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

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Kees Vissers - TriMedia Technologies, Milpitas, CA & Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA

Audience: This tutorial is intended for embedded system designers, system-level CAD tool developers, and researchers, wanting to learn about the range of computing platforms available for embedded computing systems.

Description: The variety of computing platforms available to embedded system designers has grown tremendously in the past decade, well beyond the standard platforms of microcontrollers and 486 processors. The new platforms provide superb performance, power and cost points. This tutorial, targeted to embedded system designers, design automation developers, and researchers, focuses on the new platform landscape. The tutorial will highlight the workhorses, including standard microprocessors, microcontrollers and DSPs, with emphasis on popular devices like MIPS and ARM. It will cover field-programmable and reconfigurable logic devices, with discussion on their use in end-products. It will study new single-chip devices having both microprocessor and configurable logic, and other uses of on-chip configurable logic. The tutorial will discuss customizable processors (ASIPs), as well as new domain-specific processors like video and network processors. It will describe tuning of applications with platforms. It will conclude with a discussion of tool and methodology requirements, and a look to the future. Discussion of power, performance and cost metrics, of appropriateness of platforms to domains, and of design automation requirements and needs, will be included throughout.
Recently, the chip design industry’s focus on functional verification has exposed a shortage of verification engineers. With up to 70% of the design cycle spent in functional verification, it is increasingly difficult to staff a team of talented verification engineers. Today’s verification engineer must be aware of all of the available methodologies and have an understanding of the underlying technology. This body of knowledge includes:

- Writing quality test plans
- Creating a balance of deterministic and random based testbenches
- Understanding the appropriate use of formal techniques and familiarity with the underlying algorithms
- Comprehending simulation engine algorithms
- Utilizing coverage techniques

Several universities, partnered with industry, identified the need for additional engineering curriculum in functional verification and are now teaching full semester classes at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. These classes reflect the realities of today’s complex SOC and custom designs and provide students with insight on the emerging verification career path, an understanding of the verification process, and a working knowledge of the basic verification methodologies. This workshop will share the experiences and resources of these classes, and will include teaching materials, textbook overviews, lab exercises, grading and testing strategy, and EDA tools. Furthermore, this workshop will enable other university professors to join the collaborative efforts to refine and extend the teaching of functional verification.

**REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS:**
No Conference Registration is needed.

- $40.00 ACM/IEEE Members
- $60.00 Non-Members

**SCHEDULE:**
12:00 PM  Lunch (room 285)
1:00 PM  Welcome and Workshop Overview: Bruce Wile, Steven Levitan & Vijaykrishnan Narayanan
1:15 PM  Textbook Overviews: Janick Bergeron - Qualis Design Corp. & Faisal Haque - Cisco Systems
2:00 PM  Course Organization and Management: Vijay Narayanan, Steven R. Levitan and John Goss
2:45 PM  Lab Exercise Overview: Bruce Wile
3:30 PM  Break
4:30 PM  Formal Verification using the Rulebase Model Checker: Yaron Wollsthal - IBM Research
5:15 PM  Adjourn
This workshop provides:
- An explanation for the layman of how chips are made
- A portrayal of chip design using Electronic Design Automation
- An opportunity to see and touch the parts that make up chips and electronic products
- A non-threatening, fun event with a basic, working knowledge to take away
- An understanding of why the EDA industry can be a good financial investment

This workshop is for:
- Non-engineering staff from technology companies
- Analysts and media people unfamiliar with EDA and semiconductor industries
- Educators and students who are curious about chip technology

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS:
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$10.00 Registration Fee

Tutorial Objectives:
- Provide knowledge and understanding of EDA and semiconductors to non-technical people
- Present information in a non-threatening, fun environment
- Use hands-on parts (wafers, chips, masks...) for an enhanced experience
- Encourage people to join the EDA industry
- Promote the EDA industry as a good financial investment
- Entice audience to learn more
- Address ongoing requests to help non-technical people in our industry understand what we do!

PRESENTER: Karen Bartleson, Synopsys, Inc.
More and more women are succeeding in technology, but a significant gap still exists between where we are today and where we have the potential to be in the next decade. Those who have succeeded can tell you about the obstacles, and the different ways they have used their strengths to overcome them. In this year’s workshop, you’ll once again have the unique opportunity to get advice and coaching from successful leaders across the industry as we examine ways to turn imperfect situations into glittering successes, much like the saying about turning sow’s ears into silk purses.

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Interoperability Workshop

Monday, June 10
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Room: 285

This year’s DAC is hosting the third Workshop on Interoperability, a subject of perpetual and passionate interest. What progress has been made and what lies ahead?

Designers are still struggling with advancing technology, growing system complexity and shorter schedules. Tools flows are becoming more complicated. EDA companies are merging and offering highly-integrated “complete” solutions. DA Managers ask for better tools, but can’t afford their evaluation, while universities and small EDA companies strive to get innovative point tools incorporated. System and Semiconductor companies want to mix and match best-of-breed tools with their own software to gain a competitive advantage. Since the last Workshop, the Open Access Coalition has been formed and established a standard API for design data access, based on Cadence’s Genesis Data Model and its source code. Will this standard enable the needed tightly integrated design systems to be built with leading edge components selected from multiple suppliers? Learn more about the Interoperability issues, progress and the future. Ask your questions to the experts in the System, Semiconductor and EDA Industries.

ORGANIZERS: Terry Blanchard - Mgr. VLSI Technology Center, Hewlett-Packard Co.
John Darringer - Mgr. System-Design, IBM Research
Greg Spirakis - General Mgr. Design Technology, Intel Corp.

SCHEDULE:

12:00 PM  Lunch (buffet served in room 285)
1:00 PM  Welcome: John Darringer - Mgr. System-Design, IBM Research
1:15 PM  Session 1 - Customer View on Interoperability Progress and Future
Dale Hoffman - Dir. EDA, IBM Corp.
Sumit Dasgupta - Dir. SOC-IP Design Systems, Motorola, Inc.
Jean-Pierre Geronomi - Dir. CAD, ST Microelectronics

2:15 PM  Open Access Coalition Status - Scott Petersen - Dir. Silicon Optimization, LSI Logic Corp.
2:30 PM  Session 2 - EDA Industry View of Interoperability Progress and Future
Lavi Lev - Sr. VP IC Solutions, Cadence Design Systems, Inc.
Richard Goldman - VP Strategic Market Dev., Synopsys, Inc.
Moshe Gavrielov - CEO, Verisity Design, Inc.

3:30 PM  Break
3:45 PM  Panel: What is the Future of Interoperability? Chair: Richard Goering - Editor, EE Times
Panel members to be selected from workshop speakers.
5:00 PM  Adjourn
Hands-On Tutorials General Information

All Hands-On Tutorials take place in Room 293 or 294 of the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.

Hands-on Tutorials are three-hour tutorials presented by exhibitors to demonstrate their solutions to issues related to “verifying embedded systems”. This is an opportunity for attendees with a need to learn about or evaluate products in this area a chance to see, in an in-depth manner, a variety of solutions. Demonstrations are done with the attendees working from Sun workstations while the presenters lead the discussion. The tutorials are limited to the first 30 attendees with a student to workstation ratio of 2:1. (Due to the proprietary nature of the discussions, presenting companies have the right to refuse access to employees or contractors of competitors. The cost per tutorial is $40 and attendees are encouraged to enroll in more than one tutorial. Attendees must register for a minimum of an exhibits only registration in order to be eligible to enroll in a Hands-on Tutorial.)

1) Developing Bus-Functional Models for Embedded ATM Switch Verification

SynaptiCAD Inc. and Synopsys, Inc.
Monday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Room 293

SynaptiCAD and Synopsys will offer a hands-on tutorial where the attendees will construct an OpenVera test bench to verify an embedded ATM network switch using SynaptiCAD’s graphical code generator TestBench Pro and Synopsys’s VERA test bench tool. Attendees will learn state of the art verification techniques, including modeling of data flow, random generation and ordering data cells and authentication of data that flows out of the device. The constructed test bench will also manage synchronization issues, avoid race conditions, and use algorithms and data structures that have traditionally only been needed for software verification. While the example used in this tutorial is an ATM switch, these techniques are beneficial for testing virtually all complex designs, particularly designs where hardware is replacing software functionality.

Attendees will use SynaptiCAD’s TestBench Pro to graphically describe transmit and receive transactions. TestBench will generate OpenVera code directly from the graphical descriptions. Attendees will get a brief overview of OpenVera code. Next the attendees will compile the OpenVera test bench using the Synopsys VERA tool. Finally users will link the VERA run time object to the Verilog model of the ATM switch, simulate the design using Synopsys’s VCS Verilog simulator, and analyze the simulation results.
2) Creating and Using a Virtual Prototype for Embedded System Verification
Monday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Room 293
Advances in EDA tools now make virtual prototyping a significant solution for embedded system verification. Today, the functional verification challenge is assembling a virtual prototype of the complete system with components from various companies. These virtual prototypes must exist at multiple levels of abstraction for high performance and accuracy, yet easily adjusted for verification requirements. This seminar demonstrates a virtual prototype system encompassing a range of tools and models from different vendors. The tools enable model creation, integration and verification of a complex multi-processor system. The focus is on tool interoperability and the verification methodologies to create a virtual prototype. The demonstration contains:
- A microprocessor subsystem based on the ARM PrimeXsys Wireless Platform, including the ARM926EJ-S core with instruction set simulation model
- AMBA bus protocol checking performed by Verity’s Invisible Specman
- A R.E.A.L. DSP model from Adelante Technologies, created using the MaxCore and MaxSim tools from AXYS Design Automation
- All memory components are modeled and simulated with Denali Software’s MMAB product. The C models are integrated with Verity’s Specman and Mentor Graphics Seamless and ModelSim products. PureView is used for system data debugging
- User-specific content is initially modeled in a C-based language and later replaced by an RTL implementation
- System verification tools used: Mentor Graphics’ Seamless HW/SW co-verification, ModelSim digital simulator and XRAY software debugger; plus Verity’s Specman for testbench creation/protocol checking; Denali’s MMAB for memory modeling/simulation; Pureview for system data debugging and AXYS’ MaxSim for embedded SW simulation.

3) Assertion-Based Validation with Hardware/Software for Comprehensive Embedded System Verification
Co-Design Automation, Inc., Real Intent, ARM
Tuesday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Room 293
The growth in silicon real estate has increased the use of embedded processors such as the ARM core, and driven a rise in third-party IP applications and design reuse. The operation of third party IP within an embedded platform is notoriously error prone. The use of assertions to describe inter-block communication protocols, driven partly by software tests, is proving an effective method to mitigate the inherent issues resulting from multiple teams cooperating on the same design.

Having demonstrated how an IP assertion set can be created, this tutorial will leverage formal techniques to test the IP component using the assertions to effectively describe IP communication and functionality. It will then show how the same assertion set can be applied within a system simulation environment, where a processor core may drive the IP, checking it in situ within the platform using the same assertions. This will show how IP producer provided assertions may be leveraged by the IP consumer, breaking down intra team barriers.

This tutorial will be set up so that the user will get hands-on experience of writing and analyzing assertions across an embedded system. Users will learn to use formal verification in an embedded setting, software tests to drive a hardware platform simulation, and standard assertions across multiple tools and throughout the design flow.

Focus will be placed on Co-Design / Real Intent Superlog Assertions (CRSA), donated to Accellera for inclusion in the SystemVerilog standard. A standard ARM-based platform will be used with the ARM core operating an AMBA bus driving the IP.
4) Hardware–Software Integration on the ARM Wireless PrimeXsys Platform using the CoWare N2C Design System

CoWare, Inc., ARM
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Room 293

SoCs are becoming more complex with more functionality in software, multiple processors and complex bus architectures, all of which makes embedded systems integration and verification difficult to achieve with traditional methods.

In this tutorial, we will cover two very crucial aspects of embedded systems verification: choosing and verifying the optimal SoC architecture prior to implementation/prototype and verifying system integration and HW/SW interactions, paying particular attention to the simulation speed and debugging visibility for the hardware and embedded software. During this tutorial, the attendee will verify the Wireless PrimeXsys Platform based on the ARM926 microprocessor core, ARM PrimeCell® peripherals and multi-layer AHB bus. The CoWare N2C design system will be used to simulate, debug and analyze the ARM-based platform.

Participants should be familiar with SoC design in one or more of the following disciplines: system architecture, firmware development or hardware design. All tools run on the Solaris operating system.

5) Verification of Embedded Communication Systems

Wednesday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Room 293

Growing complexity and accelerated design cycles demand closer collaboration among engineering disciplines to meet critical project deadlines. Using a communication case study, Cadence will guide you through the steps required to build a truly integrated hardware and software design environment. Students will learn how advanced methodology supported by efficient technologies can reduce development time and lower the risks of deliverables from different engineering disciplines not working together. Discussions and hands-on activities will include:

Starting with a baseband algorithm reference model, participants will explore parameter studies, reviewing BER simulation results and add blocks written in C, C++ or SystemC. In addition, they will learn how to debug a design and to accelerate simulation.

Evaluating the RF subsystem, TX and RX parameters will be examined to derive RF specifications. The results will be used to run Verilog AMS models with the baseband.

Writing firmware by replacing blocks in designs with a Digital Signal Processor model. This replacement will allow students to test the software within the complete system.

Targeting both ASICs and FPGAs, we will offer a mix of modeling techniques that covers: creating graphical blocks, writing VHDL & Verilog, and importing Xilinx CORE Gen DSP functions. Since all models can be verified with the system level testbench, engineers can select their favorite modeling technique.

Driving everything to implementation, using Synplicity for FPGA synthesis and datapath synthesis for ASIC, the latter typically provides 15%-43% area reduction from traditional ASIC synthesis.
6) Hardware and Software Debug Methods for a Programmable System
Xilinx, Inc., Wind River
Thursday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Room 294
Xilinx and Wind River Systems are providing a comprehensive software development tool chain that allows engineers to perform hardware bring-up and develop applications built directly in the Virtex-II Pro device. Xilinx is building upon this framework with ChipScope\textsuperscript{TM} Pro CoreConnect Integrated Bus Analyzer, the industry's first embedded bus analyzer core. System bus access and visibility in a traditional embedded processor SoC design is difficult if not impossible to obtain. Access to system busses within the hardcore processor core requires the use of complex logic analysis equipment and the allocation of I/O dedicated to debug. Xilinx ChipScope Pro tools provide system bus access from within the device using embedded logic analysis cores. This access and visibility can greatly reduce processor bring-up and application debug time and occurs over the common JTAG port, minimizing the impact to the users overall system.

In this tutorial one can see real-world examples of hardware and software debug on a system evaluation board featuring the Xilinx Virtex-II Pro device. We will demonstrate embedded software debugging using advanced tools from Wind River Systems built specifically for the Virtex-II Pro device and will utilize ChipScope Pro CoreConnect bus analysis cores to view critical CoreConnect bus transactions between the embedded PowerPC 405 processor and user defined IP. This tutorial will help the user understand how Xilinx is providing a complete hardware software development solution that runs on the same host system over the same physical target connection to the JTAG port on the Virtex-II Pro device.

7) Top-Level Validation of Complex SoCs
Esterel Technologies
Thursday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Room 293
Complex SoC design requires new verification methodologies. Classical methodologies build verification plans from the high functional specifications, tests from the verification plan, and coverage measures by running the tests. There are several well-known problems with this method; Writing tests is laborious; Tests are sensitive to design change; Coverage is only measured with respect to the given verification plan and not with respect to the functionality of the design itself.

Esterel Technologies' new SoC Top Level Validation Solution is specifically designed to address these problems. It is applicable to modern multi-core designs, requires minimum knowledge of IP behavior, and is not severely affected by late RTL changes. Participants will perform a top level validation for an MPEG design from beginning to end:
1) Simple models of a DMA and a DECODER will be designed at the transactional level (read, write, etc.).
2) Esterel Studio's automatic test generation will be applied to generate all meaningful concurrent transaction patterns between the SoC blocks to be tested.
3) Functional coverage will be measured with respect to the SoC functionality while various strategies will be compared to observe effect on test suites size.
4) Transaction patterns will be transformed into C test cases to be run on a C/C++ based validation platform, or into an HDL testbench.
5) Constraints will be added to generate tests for only parts of the design or to take into account SoC usage environment restrictions. The results will be analyzed in terms of coverage, quality and productivity. Examples of actual industrial applications will also be discussed.
Additional Meetings

**Birds-Of-a-Feather (BOF) Meetings**
DAC provides conference rooms for informal groups to discuss items of common technical interest. These very informal non-commercial meetings, held after hours, are referred to as “Birds-of-a-Feather”. All BOF meetings are held at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, Wednesday June 12, 2002, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM. DAC will facilitate common interest group meetings to discuss DA related topics. To arrange a BOF meeting sign up at the Information Desk at-conference. A room will only be assigned if ten or more people sign up. An overhead projector and screen will be provided on request. Check DACnet and the Birds-of-a-Feather board at the Information Desk.

**High Level Modeling for Validation (BOF)**
The term “high level model” is highly overloaded; some of the intended uses of such an “HLM” include high level synthesis, a “live design model”, or a performance model enhanced with functionality. The proposed topic adds another dimension; that of validation (i.e., “How do we use an HLM for better validation?”).

**METRICS for Design Productivity Measurement and Optimization (BOF)**
METRICS encompasses the instrumentation of design tools and design processes, the collection of design artifact and design process data, and the prediction of future results and data based on current information. METRICS seeks to address the improvement of system design and implementation technology (e.g., flows and methodology) as science, rather than as art.

**EDA Business Forum at DAC 2002**
The annual EDA Business Forum™ at DAC is an exclusive event for financial and market analysts, technology and business editors, venture capitalists, and the CEOs and CFOs of member companies in the EDA Consortium. This year, the Forum panelists will discuss how to leverage new developments to increase the EDA industry’s momentum. This invitation-only event will be held on Tuesday, June 11, from 12:00 noon – 1:50 PM in Room 271 at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans. For more information, call (503) 643-7663 or visit www.akipr.com/edabf.

**5th SIGDA Ph.D. Forum**
ACM/SIGDA will hold a semi-annual meeting on Tuesday evening, June 11, 2002, from 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM in Room 284. A light dinner will be served. The primary focus of the meeting will be the fifth annual SIGDA Ph.D. Forum. The meeting is open to all members of the DA community. The Ph.D. Forum, hosted by SIGDA, aims to strengthen the ties between academic research and industry. During the SIGDA meeting, students will use posters to discuss their Ph.D. thesis work with interested attendees. This session will provide the students an opportunity to receive feedback on their work. It also previews academic work-in-progress to the DA community. For more information about the Forum, please visit http://www.sigda.acm.org/Programs/PhDForum. SIGDA members and non-members are invited.
**Additional Meetings**

**System-Level Design: Here & Now!**
June 11, 2002, 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM, Rm: 393
Join us for a free lunch on Tuesday, June 11, to hear from a stimulating and informative panel of industry leaders who will present on the realities of system-level design employing SystemC. With its SystemC Modeling Platform, the Open SystemC Initiative (OSCI) provides an industry-defining solution to system-level design, Intellectual Property (IP) sharing and verification. While enjoying OSCI’s complimentary lunch, you will hear a brief overview and update from OSCI, followed by 4 success stories from real-world users of SystemC. To register please send an email to: lunchatdac@systemc.org.

**Accellera Membership Meeting**
Wednesday, June 12, 2002, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM, Rm: 257
Ernest N. Morial Conference Center. Presentation by Dennis Brophy, Chairman. There will also be an Accellera Technical Committee Roadmap, which will include committee updates about SystemVerilog, Formal Verification, ALF, Interfaces, Assertions, Rosetta and Verilog AMS.

**USIA Luncheon at the 39th DAC**
June 12, 2002, 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM, Rm: 260
LUNCH IS ON USIA. Please join the VSIA Alliance for lunch on Wednesday. An exciting panel of experts will discuss where EDA tools fit in this new world of Hardware/Software SoC development. Join in the audience Q&A.

The VSIA Alliance’s current status and new efforts to develop specifications for software, as well as hardware, Virtual Component (VC) reuse will also be discussed.

**Breakfast and Panel Discussion Sponsored by Accellera and Nooflit**
Wednesday, June 12, 2002, 7:30 AM, Hilton New Orleans Riverside, Marlborough Room
Plug and Play: HW/SW/firmware Flow for Successful SoC Design in 2002
Moderator: Ron Wilson - ISD
Today’s design puzzle is fitting together. Large IP blocks, standard busses and software components from a number of vendors, on top of FPGAs, ASICs and custom ICs to meet the needs of a rapidly expanding and changing market place.

**SpecC User Group Meeting**
Thursday, June 13, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Rm: 257
“SpecC technology” is the system design methodology with system-level design language SpecC. The industrial applications and academic research fields of SpecC technology are spreading over the design of embedded system, software and hardware includes SoC. This meeting focuses on to share the latest information about SpecC language specification (SpecC 2.0), available tools, application case studies and the activities of STOC (SpecC technology open consortium). This meeting is organized by Language WG and Case Study WG of STOC.
Student Design Contest

The purpose of the Student Design Contest is to promote excellence in the design of electronic systems by providing competition between graduate and undergraduate students at universities and colleges. This year we received submissions in two categories: “Conceptual” and “Operational”. Operational designs are those which have been implemented and tested. Conceptual designs have not yet been fabricated and tested but must have been thoroughly simulated. Students compete for cash prizes donated by a number of industrial sponsors IEEE/CAS, ACM/SIGDA and by DAC itself. Prizes will be awarded at a special luncheon during the conference. Prize winners have been invited to show their work at the University Booth on the show floor. In addition, two of the submissions have been included in this year’s technical program (see pages 25 and 30).

DAC 2002 Student Design Contest Winners

Operational Category:

1st Place Unlocking the Design Secrets of a 2.29 Gb/s Rijndael Processor (session 41.1)
Patrick R. Schaumont, Ingrid M. Verbauwhede, Henry Kuo - University of California, Los Angeles, CA

2nd Place System Design of iBadge for Smart Kindergarten
Ivo Locher, Sung I. Park, Andreas Savvides - Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA

3rd Place A Low Noise Switched-Capacitor Interface Electronics for Sub-micro Gravity Resolution Micromachined Accelerometers
Haluk Kulah - Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Conceptual Category:

1st Place A Microsystem for Near-Patient Accelerated Clotting Time Blood Tests
Steven M. Martin, Roy H. Olsson, Richard B. Brown - Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

2nd Place Design of a Crossbar Switch Chip for Use in a Demonstration System of an Optoelectronic Multi-Chip Module
Jason D. Bakos, Donald M. Chiarulli - Univ. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

3rd Place (tie) Highly Parallel DNA Sequence Matching and Alignment Processor
A. T. Patzer - Duke Univ., Durham, NC

3rd Place (tie) Low-Jitter Power-Aware Non-PLL Clock Generator for GHz Microprocessors
Chulwoo Kim, Inchul Hwang - Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, IL
Sung Mo Kang - Univ. of California, Santa Cruz, CA

Honorable Mention:

A Low-Power Line Driver Using Resonant Charging With Reduced High-Order Frequency Components
Clemens Schlachta, Burkart Voss, Manfred Gesner - Darmstadt Univ., Darmstadt, Germany

Systematic Design of a 200 Ms/s 8-bit Interpolating/Averaging A/D Converter (session 29.4)
Jan Vandenbussche - Katholieke Univ., Leuven, Belgium

Power Minimization for Digital Optical Interconnects
Xiaqing Wang, Fouad Karray, Jeremy Ekman - Univ. of Delaware, Newark, Delaware
Awards

2002 Best Paper Awards
This year, awards are made for the best papers in three categories. Winners were determined from detailed reviews of the accepted papers in the technical sessions. Each award is accompanied by a plaque.

**DESIGN TOOLS**
Paper 4.3: Guaranteed Passive Balancing Transformations for Model Order Reduction
Author: Joel R. Phillips
Affiliation: Cadence Berkeley Labs., San Jose, CA
Author: Luca Daniel
Affiliation: Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA
Author: Miguel Silveira
Affiliation: INESC, Lisboa, Portugal

**DESIGN METHODOLOGY**
Paper 29.2: Remembrance of Circuits Past: Macromodeling by Data Mining in Large Analog Design Spaces
Authors: Hongzhou Liu, Amit Singhee, Rob A. Rutenbar, L. Richard Carley
Affiliation: Carnegie Mellon Univ., Pittsburgh, PA

**EMBEDDED SYSTEMS**
Paper 3.1: A Universal Technique for Fast and Flexible Instruction-Set Architecture Simulation
Authors: Achim Nohl, Gunnar Braun, Andreas Hoffmann, Oliver Schliebusch, Rainer Leupers, Heinrich Meyr
Affiliation: Aachen Univ. of Technology, Aachen, Germany

The awards are given by ACM/SIGDA (Special Interest Group on Design Automation), IEEE/CASS (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers/Circuits and Systems Society) and EDA Consortium (Electronic Design Automation Consortium).
Awards

Marie R. Pistilli Women in EDA Achievement Award
- Ann Rincon - Senior Engineer, IBM Corp., Microelectronic Division, Burlington, VT
For her significant contributions in helping women advance in the field of DA technology.

2002 IEEE CAS/SS Fellows
- Georges G. E. Gielen - Katholieke Univ., Leuven, Belgium
For contributions to computer-aided design and design automation of analog and mixed-signal integrated circuits and systems.
- Sharad Malik - Princeton Univ., Princeton, NJ
For contributions to electronic design automation techniques in logic and embedded software synthesis.
- Lawrence T. Pileggi - Carnegie Mellon Univ., Pittsburgh, PA
For contributions to simulation and modeling of integrated circuits.
- Kaushik Roy - Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN
For contributions to the power-aware design of digital circuits.
- Ellen June Yoffa - IBM Research, Yorktown Heights, NY
For technical, professional, and business leadership in electronic design automation.

The Association for Computing Machinery/Special Interest Group on Design Automation (ACM/SIGDA) Distinguished Service Awards
- Cheng-Kok Koh - Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN
For exemplary service to ACM/SIGDA and the EDA industry - as Co-director of SIGDA's CDROM Project, as SIGDA's Travel Grants Coordinator, and as Editor of the SIGDA Newsletter.
- Steven R. Levitan - Univ. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA
For over a decade of service to ACM/SIGDA and the EDA industry - as DAC University Booth Coordinator, Student Design Contest organizer, founder and promoter of SIGDA's web server, and most recently, Chair of ACM/SIGDA from 1997 to 2001.

ACM/SIGDA Outstanding New Faculty Award
- Charlie Chung-Ping Chen - Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
For a junior faculty member early in his academic career who demonstrates outstanding potential as an educator and researcher in the field of electronic design automation.

CAD Transactions Best Paper Award

- Pei-Ning Guo - Mentor Graphics Corp., San Jose, CA
- Toshihiko Takahashi - Niigata Univ., Niigata, Japan
- Chung-Kuan Cheng - Univ. of California at San Diego, La Jolla, CA
- Takeshi Yoshimura - NEC Corp., Kawasaki, Japan
The P. O. Pistilli Scholarship for Advancement in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering Undergraduate Scholarships

The objective of the P. O. Pistilli Scholarship program is to increase the pool of professionals in Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering and Computer Science from under-represented groups (women, African American, Hispanic, Native American, and physically challenged). In 1989, ACM Special Interest Group on Design Automation (SIGDA) began providing the program. Beginning in 1993, the Design Automation Conference provided the funds for the scholarship. SIGDA and MP Associates, Inc. annually administer the program for DAC. DAC normally funds two or more $4000 scholarships, renewable up to 5 years, to graduating high school seniors. In 1999 the IEEE Circuits and Systems Society also began to sponsor these scholarships.

The 2002 winners will be announced at the Conference. The 2001 winners were:

- Tenisha Evonne Austin - attending the Univ. of Michigan in Ann Arbor
- Sylvia Blythe Glassco - attending Yale Univ.
- Joelle B. Arnold - attending Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering
- Jiayu Hao - attending Massachusetts Institute of Tech.
- Mariya Sergeyevna Sadakova - attending Macalester College
- Todd R. Roman - attending the Univ. of Arizona
- Erika Lin - attending Massachusetts Institute of Tech.

For more information about the P. O. Pistilli scholarship, please contact Dr. Cherrise Traver, EE/CS Dept., Union College, Schenectady, NY 12308, email: traverc@union.edu.

Design Automation Conference Graduate Scholarships

Each year the Design Automation Conference sponsors several $24,000 scholarships to support graduate research and study in Design Automation (DA), with emphasis in “design and test automation of electronic and computer systems”. Each scholarship is awarded directly to a university for the Faculty Investigator to expend in direct support of one or more DA graduate students.

The criteria for granting such a scholarship expanded in 1996 to include financial need. The criteria are: the academic credentials of the student(s); the quality and applicability of the proposed research; the impact of the award on the DA program at the institution; and financial need. Preference is given to institutions that are trying to establish new DA research programs.

Prof. Florin Balasa, Univ. of Illinois, Chicago, IL
- Students: Sarat Chandra Maruvada, Karthik Krishnamoorthy
  - Novel Exploration Techniques in Device-Level Placement
  - for Analog and Radio Frequency Blocks
- Prof. Dinesh K. Bhatia, Univ. of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX
  - Students: Shankar Balachandaran, Parivalil Kannan
  - Congestion and Routability Estimation for Large ASICs
- Prof. Krishnendu Chakrabarty, Duke Univ., Durham, NC
  - Student: Lei Li
  - Algorithms and Tools for Plug-and-Play System-on-a-Chip Test Automation
- Prof. Ingrid Verbauwhede, Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA
  - Student: Patrick Schaumont
  - Domain Specific Tools and Methods for Application in Security Processor Design

Information on next year’s DAC scholarship award program will be available on the DAC web page at: http://www.dac.com.
To permit a blind review, do not include name(s) or affiliation(s) of the author(s) on the manuscript, abstract or bibliographic citations. The papers will be reviewed as finished papers. Preliminary submissions will be at a disadvantage. Notice of acceptance will be emailed to the contact person by February 28, 2003.

Panels, Tutorials, Special Topic Sessions
Panel and tutorial suggestions should not exceed two pages, should describe the topic and intended audience, and should include a list of suggested participants. Tutorial suggestions must include a bulleted outline of covered topics. DAC reserves the right to restructure submitted panel and tutorial suggestions, including participants. Panel and tutorial suggestions may be electronically submitted by November 4, 2002.

Special Topic Sessions may be either independent papers with a common theme or a set of closely related papers describing an overall system. In both cases, independent reviews of each paper and evaluation of the session as a whole will be used to select sessions. Suggestions for Special Topic Sessions should be submitted along with the list of papers to be included in the session and should describe the session's theme. These submissions must be electronically submitted NO later than December 6, 2002 (5:00 PM MST).

University Design Contest
Students are invited to submit descriptions of original electronic designs, either circuit level or system level. Submissions should contain the title of the project, a 60-word abstract and a complete description of the design, not exceeding 4000 words. The submission should clarify the originality, distinguishing features, and measured performance of the design.

Two categories of designs are eligible for awards, operational and conceptual. For operational designs, proof-of-implementation is required, while for conceptual designs, complete simulation is necessary. Designs must have taken place as part of the students' work at the university and must have been completed after June 2001. Submitted designs should not have received awards in other contests. Selected designs will be presented at the conference. These submissions must be electronically submitted NO LATER THAN December 20, 2002 (5:00 PM MST).

Topics of Interest
Authors are invited to submit original technical papers describing recent and novel research or engineering developments in all areas of design automation. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to the listing on the following page.
**40th DAC Call for Papers**

**Design Tools Track**
The Design Tools track (T) is devoted to contributions to the research and development of design tools and their supporting algorithms. Focus is on innovation of specific modeling, analysis and optimization techniques.

- **T0.1** Fundamental CAD Algorithms, e.g., DDTs, SAT, graph coloring, partitioning
- **T1.1** Electrical-level circuit and timing simulation
- **T1.2** Discrete simulation
- **T1.3** Static timing analysis and timing verification
- **T1.4** Power estimation
- **T2.1** Testing, fault modeling and simulation, TPG, test validation and DFT
- **T2.2** Transaction-level, RTL and gate-level modeling and validation: simulation, equivalence checking, functional formal (and semi-formal) verification.
- **T3.1** Floorplanning and placement
- **T3.2** Global and detailed routing
- **T3.3** Module generation and compaction, transistor sizing and cell library optimization, layout verification

**Design Methods Track**
The Design Methods track (M) deals with innovative methodologies for the design of electronic circuits and systems, as well as creative experiences with design automation in state-of-the-art designs. Submissions for this track will be judged on how innovatively tools are combined into a new methodology that is effectively applied to real-world design problems. Papers focusing on algorithmic advances in modeling, analysis and optimization should be submitted to the Design Tools Track.

**Design methodologies and case studies for specific design tasks**

- **M1.1** Design entry and specification
- **M1.2** Electrical-level simulation and modeling
- **M1.3** Discrete simulation and modeling
- **M1.4** Static timing and performance analysis
- **M1.5** Functional design verification
- **M1.6** Testing, test generation and debugging
- **M1.7** Physical design, module generation, design for manufacturing

**Embedded Systems Topics:**
Embedded Systems are characterized by mixed hardware and software components with limited processing, I/O and storage resources. The increasing role played by software components and their associated support introduces a host of new system design issues. To focus on these, the 40th DAC will have embedded systems sessions covering both the “tools” and the “methods” aspects of the following topics:

- **T4.1** Technology-independent, combinational logic synthesis
- **T4.2** Technology-dependent logic synthesis, library mapping, cell-based design, interactions between logic design and layout
- **T4.3** Sequential and asynchronous logic synthesis and optimization
- **T4.4** System, logic and physical techniques for reconfigurable computing
- **T4.5** High-level synthesis
- **T5.1** Interconnect and package modeling and extraction
- **T5.2** Signal integrity and reliability analysis
- **T5.3** Analog and mixed-signal design tools and RF
- **T5.4** Microsensor and microactuator design tools
- **T5.5** Statistical design and yield maximization
- **T6.1** IP protection and watermarking techniques for designs, tools, and algorithms
- **T6.2** Frameworks, internal communication, WWW-based tools and databases

**M1.8** Logic synthesis, including interaction with physical synthesis
**M1.9** High-level and architectural synthesis

**Design methodologies and case studies for specific application domains and platforms**

- **M2.1** Overall design flows and methodologies for specific design applications
- **M2.2** Configurable computing, FPGAs and rapid prototyping
- **M2.3** Deep sub-micron: signal integrity, interconnect modeling and extraction
- **M2.4** High-performance design: timing, clocking and power distribution
- **M2.5** Low power design
- **M2.6** Analog, mixed signal, and RF design
- **M2.7** Process technology development: extraction, modeling and new devices
- **M2.8** MEMS, sensors, actuators

**Integration and management of DA systems**

- **M3.1** Management of DA systems, design interfaces, standards
- **M3.2** Distributed, networked, and collaborative design
- **M3.3** Intellectual property, design re-use and design libraries

**E1** Low-power design: compilation, scheduling and partitioning
**E2** Embedded software: re-targetable compilation, memory/cache optimization, real-time single-processor scheduling
**E3** HW/SW co-design: specification, modeling, co-simulation and performance analysis, system-level scheduling and partitioning
**E4** Hardware and software platform design: IP-based design, communication design, embedded HW
**E5** Case studies
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The IEEE Circuits and Systems (CAS) Society is one of the largest societies within IEEE and in the world devoted to the analysis, design, and applications of circuits, networks, and systems. It offers its members an extensive program of publications, meetings and technical and educational activities, encouraging an active exchange of information and ideas. The Society’s peer reviewed publication activities include: Trans. on CAD; Trans. on CAS-Part I (Fundamentals); Trans. on CAS-Part II (Analog & Digital Signal Processing); Trans. on VLSI; Trans. on CAS for Video Technology; and the new Transactions on Multimedia which is co-sponsored with IEEE sister societies. CAS also sponsors or co-sponsors a number of international conferences, which include the Design Automation Conference (DAC), the Int'l Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD) and the Int'l Symposium on Circuits & Systems (ISCAS). A worldwide comprehensive program of advanced workshops including a new series on “Emerging Technologies in Circuits and Systems”, as well as our continuing education short courses bring to our worldwide membership the latest developments in cutting-edge technologies of interest to industry and academia alike.

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