# IEEE Computer Society Annual Symposium on VLSI (Virtual)
**Tampa, Florida, USA, July 7-9 2021**

## Program Schedule

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                       IBM Fellow, IBM T. J. Watson Research Center |
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                       Volgenau Chair for Engineering Excellence Professor  
                       CS Department, UCLA |
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Chair: Sandip Ray, U of Florida

12:45 – 01:00 pm Break (15 min)

01:00 – 01:35 pm Session 1 – Circuits, Reliability, and Fault-Tolerance (CRT)
Chair(s): S. R. Patri, NIT Warangal, India

01:00 pm A Fully Digital Foreground Calibration Technique of A Flash ADC
S. Chatterjee, M. Diamari, and S. Roy, IIIT Guwahati, India

01:10 pm An Adaptive Lockstep Architecture for Mixed-Criticality Systems
F. Kempf, T. Hartmann, S. Baehr, and J. Becker, KIT, Germany

01:20 pm Real-Time IC Aging Prediction via On-Chip Sensors
1K. Huang, 2Md T. H. Anik, 1X. Zhang, and 2N. Karimi
1San Diego State Univ., USA, 2Univ. of Maryland Baltimore County, USA

01:30 pm A 1-V, 10-Bit, 250 MS/s, Current-Steering Segmented DAC for Video Applications,
S. C. Kumar, S. Kala, Y. B. N. Kumar, MH. Vasantha, NIT Goa, India

01:00 – 01:40 pm Session 2 – Computer Aided Design and Verification (CAD)
Chair(s): M. Velev, Aries Design Automation, USA

01:00 pm ILP-GRC: Integer Linear Programming-Based Global Routing With Cell Movement,
1UFSC Brazil, 2Univ. of Calgary, Canada

01:10 pm A Comparative Study of Specification Mining Methods for SoC Communication Traces
01:20 pm  Reverse Engineering Register to Variable Mapping in High-Level Synthesis  
M. Adem, R. Gupta, and C. Karfa, IIT Guwahati, India

01:30 pm  FPGA Resource and Performance Estimation for Convolutional Neural Networks  
M. Shahshahani and D. Bhatia, Univ. of Texas, Dallas, USA

01:00 – 01:45 pm Session 3 – Digital Circuits and FPGA based Designs (DCF)  
Chairs: H. Zheng, University of South Florida  
J. Dofe, California State University, Fullerton

01:00 pm  Stochastic Number Generators With Minimum Probability Conversion Circuits  
S. A. Salehi and C. Collinsworth, University of Kentucky, USA

01:10 pm  Counter Random Gradient Descent Bit-Flipping Decoder for LDPC Codes  
K. Deng, H. Cui, J. Lin, and Z. Wang, Nanjing University, China

01:20 pm  Depth Optimized Synthesis of Symmetric Boolean Functions  
1M. Schneiber, 2S. Froehlich, and 2,3R. Drechsler  
1GRCAI GmBH, Germany, 2Univ. of Bremen, Germany, 3DFKI Germany

01:30 pm  A Multi-Context Neural Core Design for Reconfigurable Neuromorphic Arrays  
A. Foshie, N. Chakraborty, J. J. Murray VI, T. Fowler, and G. S. Rose  
Univ. of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA

01:40 pm  A Terabit Hybrid FPGA-ASIC Platform for Switch Virtualization  
1M. Tirone, 1R. Brum, 2B. Zatt, 3S. Pagliarini, 1W. L. da Costa Cordeiro,  
and 1J. Azambuja,  
1FURGS, Brazil, 2FUP, Brazil, 3Tallinn Univ. of Technology, Estonia

1:50 – 02:00 pm Break

02:00 – 3:00 pm Keynote 2 - The Dual Role of Technology in Addressing Climate Change  
Speaker: Dr. Tamar Eilam, IBM Fellow, IBM T. J. Watson Research Center  
Chair: Dr. Aida Todri-Sanial, LIRMM

03:05 – 03:30 pm Break
03:30 – 04:10 pm  Session 4 – Emerging and Post CMOS Technologies (EPT)
Chair(s): Sandeep Miryala, Brookhaven National Lab, USA

03:30 pm  Crosstalk Logic Circuits With Built-In Memory
1M. Rahman, 2N. Macha, and 1P. Samant
1Univ. of Missouri-Kansas City, USA, 2NVIDIA Corp., USA

03:40 pm  SpamHD: Efficient Text Spam Detection Using Brain-Inspired Hyperdimensional Computing
R. Thapa, B. Lamichhane, D. Ma, and X. Jiao
Villanova University, USA

03:50 pm  HDXplore: Automated Differential Testing of Brain-Inspired Hyperdimensional Computing
R. Thapa, D. Ma, and X. Jiao
Villanova University, USA

04:00 pm  BDD Variable Ordering for Minimizing Power Consumption of Optical Logic Circuits
R. Matsuo and S. Minato,
Kyoto University, Japan

04:05 pm  Scaling Constraints for Memristor-Based Programmable Interconnect in Reconfigurable Computing Arrays
J. J. Murray VI, A. Z. Foshie, M. S. Shawkat, and G. S. Rose,
Univ. of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA

03:30 – 04:20 pm  Session 5 – SDS-1 System Design and Security (SDS)
Chairs: Q. Yu, University of New Hampshire, USA
M. Kermani, University of South Florida, USA

03:30 pm  Tile Architecture and Hardware Implementation for Computation in Memory
M. Zahedi, R. van Duijnen, S. Wong, and S. Hamdioui
Delft Univ. of Technology (TU Delft), The Netherlands

03:40 pm  On Preventing SAT Attack With Decoy Key-Inputs
Q-L. Nguyen, M-L. Flottes, S. Dupuis, and B. Rouzeyre
LIRMM, Univ. de Montpellier, France

03:50 pm  An Extensible Evaluation Platform for FPGA Bitstream Obfuscation Security
S. Mahmud, B. Olney, and R. Karam
University of South Florida, USA

04:00 pm  Lorax: Machine Learning-Based Oracle Reconstruction With Minimal I/O Patterns
1W. Zeng, 1A. Davoodi, and 2R. O. Topaloglu
Towards Enhancing Power-Analysis Attack Resilience for Logic Locking Techniques
Z. Zhang and Q. Yu
Univ. of New Hampshire, USA

Session 6 – AFC-1 VLSI for Applied and Future Computing (AFC)
Chairs: R. Shafik, Newcastle University

Heartbeat Classification With Spiking Neural Networks on the Loihi Neuromorphic Processor
K. R. Buettner and A. George
University of Pittsburgh, USA

A Reconfigurable Accelerator for Generative Adversarial Network Training Based on FPGA
T. Yin, W. Mao, J. Lu, and Z. Wang
Nanjing University, China

Analog Circuit Implementation of Neural Networks for In-Sensor Computing
J. Zhu, B. Chen, Z. Yang, L. Meng, and T. Ye
Southern Univ. of Science and Technology, China

Carry-Free Addition in Resistive RAM Array: N-Bit Addition in 22 Memory Cycles
J. Reuben and D. Fey
Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU), Germany

A Flexible In-Memory Computing Architecture for Heterogeneously Quantized CNNs
F. Ponzina, M. Rios, G. Ansaloni, A. Levisse, and D. Atienza
EPFL, Switzerland

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Session 7 – Best Paper Presentations
Chairs: J. Becker, KIT and S. Mohanty, UNT

FPU Reduced Variable Precision in Time: Application to the Jacobi Iterative Method
N. A. Said, M. Benabdenbi, and K Morin-Allory
Univ. of Grenoble Alpes, CNRS, Grenoble INP, TIMA, France
11:40 am  SkyBridge-3D-CMOS 2.0: IC Technology for Stacked-Transistor 3D ICs Beyond FinFETs  
S. Bhat, M. Li, S. Ghosh, S. Kulkarni, C. Andras-Moritz,  
Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA

11:50 am  PipeBSW: A Two-Stage Pipeline Structure for Banded Smith-Waterman Algorithm on FPGA  
L. Li, J. Lin, and Z. Wang, Nanjing University, China

12:00 pm  An In-Memory Analog Computing Co-Processor for Energy-Efficient CNN Inference on Mobile Devices  
1M. Elbtity, 2A. Singh, 1B. Reidy, 2X. Guo, and 1R. Zand  
1Univ. of South Carolina, USA, 2Lehigh Univ., USA,

12:10 pm  Dynamic Fault Tree Models for FPGA Fault Tolerance and Reliability  
1Y. Elderhalli, 2,3N. Elaraby, 4O. Hasan, 2A. Jantsch, and 1S. Tahar,  
1Concordia Univ., Canada, 2TU Wien, Austria, 3CIC Egypt,  
4NUST, Pakistan

12:20 pm  ATRIA: A Bit-Parallel Stochastic Arithmetic Based Accelerator for In-DRAM CNN Processing  
S. M. Shivanandamurthy, I. Thakkar, and S. A. Salehi  
University of Kentucky, USA

12:30 – 12:45 am  Break (15 min)

12:45 – 1:45 pm  Keynote 3 – Optimal Layout Synthesis for Quantum Computing  
Speaker: Prof. Jason Cong, Volgenau Chair for Engineering Excellence Professor, Computer Science Department, UCLA  
Chair: Deming Chen, U of Illinois, Urbana-champaign

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02:00 – 03:00 pm  Panel - “IoT and AI Will Develop Revolutionary Solutions to Critical Global Problems: A Real Promise or Just a Hype?”  
Moderator: Himanshu Thapliyal (UK)  
Panelists: Kemal Akkaya (FIU), Swarup Bhunia (UF), Juncao Li (Lime), Saraju Mohanty (UNT), and Dan Zhang (Google)

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**Session 8 – Special Session: Efficient Accelerator Design on Reconfigurable Architecture**  
Chairs: W. Zhang, HKUST, Hong Kong  
S. Katkooori, University of South Florida, USA

03:15 pm  
*DiCE-LSTM: An n-Dimensional Configurable and Efficient Architecture for LSTM Accelerator*  
Z. Navabi, H. T. Asl, and M. S. Roodsari  
University of Tehran, Iran

03:25 pm  
*Micro-Architecture Tuning for Dynamic Frequency Scaling in Coarse-Grain Runtime Reconfigurable Arrays With Adaptive Clock Domain Support*  
Q. Si, Md Imtiaz Rashid, and B. C. Shafer  
The University of Texas at Dallas, USA

03:35 pm  
*Low Bitwidth CNN Accelerator on FPGA Using Winograd and Block Floating Point Arithmetic*  
1Z. Dong, 2Y. Wong, and 3W. Zhang  
1HiSilicon, China, 2HKUST, Hong Kong

03:45 pm  
*Custom Enhancements to Networked Processor Templates*  
W. Luk and T. Todman  
Imperial College, United Kingdom

03:55 pm  
*Analyzing the Design Space of Spatial Tensor Accelerators on FPGAs*  
L. Jia, Z. Luo, L. Lu, and Y. Liang  
Peking University, China

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**Session 9 – Special Session: Side Channel Attack/Protections on Emerging Technology**  
Chairs: Mike Borowczak, University of Wyoming, USA  
Domenic Forte, University of Florida, USA

03:15 pm  
*Side-Channel Leakage Assessment Metrics: A Case Study of GIFT Block Ciphers*  
1W. Unger, 2L. Babinkostova, 1M. Borowczak, and 3R. Erbes  
1University of Wyoming, USA, 2Boise State University, USA, 3Idaho National Laboratory, USA

03:25 pm  
*Stealing Model Parameters via Side Channel Power Attack*  
S. Wolf, H. Hu, R. Cooley, and M. Borowczak  
University of Wyoming, USA

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*Security Capsules: An Architecture for Post-Silicon Security Assertion Validation for Systems-On-Chip*  
S. Raja, P. Bhamidipati, X. Liu, and R. Vemuri  
University of Cincinnati, USA
03:15 – 04:05 pm  Session 10 – VLSI for Applied and Future Computing
Chairs: V. Ramnath, Oklahoma State University, USA

03:15 pm  An FPGA-Based Reconfigurable Accelerator for Low-Bit DNN Training
H. Shao, J. Lu, J. Lin, Z. Wang
Nanjing University, China

03:25 pm  Accelerating Spectral Normalization for Enhancing Robustness of Deep Neural Networks
Z. Pan and P. Mishra
University of Florida, USA

03:35 pm  A Microarchitecture Implementation Framework for Online Learning With Temporal Neural Networks
1H. Nair, 1J. Shen, and 2J. E. Smith
1Carnegie Mellon University, USA, 2University of Wisconsin, USA

04:05 – 04:15 pm  Break (10 min)

04:15 – 05:05 pm  Session 11 - Special Session: FPGA Security in the Era of Machine Learning and Cloud Computing
Chairs: Q. Yu, University of New Hampshire, USA
J. Hu, University of Pittsburgh, USA

04:15 pm  Neural Networks as a Side-Channel Countermeasure: Challenges and Opportunities
J. Krautter and M. Tahoori
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), Germany

04:25 pm  New Security Threats on FPGAs: From FPGA Design Tools Perspective
S. Sunkavalli, Z. Zhang, and Q. Yu
University of New Hampshire, USA

04:35 pm  A Survey of Recent Attacks and Mitigation on FPGA Systems
S. Duan, W. Wang, Y. Luo, and X. Xu
Northeastern University, USA

04:45 pm  A Security Architecture for Domain Isolation in Multi-Tenant Cloud FPGAs
J. M. Mbongue, S. K. Saha, and C. Bobda
University of Florida, Gainesville, USA

04:55 pm  Efficient Hardware Implementation of PQC Primitives and PQC Algorithms Using High-Level Synthesis
D. Soni and R. Karri
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**Session 12 - Special Session: Hardware Design of Emerging Electronics**

Chairs: H. Thapliyal, University of Kentucky, USA  
A. Roohi, University of Nebraska Lincoln, USA

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A Reconfigurable and Compact Spin-Based Analog Block for Generalizable Nth Power and Root Computation
A. Tatulian and R. DeMara  
University of Central Florida, USA

**04:25 pm**

Design of an Approximate FFT Processor Based on Approximate Complex Multipliers
J. Du, K. Chen, P. Yin, C. Yan, and W. Liu  
Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics, China

**04:35 pm**

Low-Energy and CPA-Resistant Adiabatic CMOS/MTJ Logic for IoT Devices
Z. Kahleifeh and H. Thapliyal  
University of Kentucky, USA

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Proposal of A Novel Hybrid NAND-Like MRAM/DRAM Memory Architecture
K. He, Z. Yang, Z. Yu, J. Zhi, Z. Wang, Y. Wang  
Beihang University, China

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Oscillatory Neural Networks for Edge AI Computing
C. Deacour, S. Carapezzi, M. Abernot, G. Boschetto, N. Azemard, J. Salles,  
T. Gil, and A. Todri-Sanial  
LIRMM, University of Montpellier, CRNS, France

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EQUAL: Efficient QUasi Adiabatic Logic for Enhanced Side-Channel Resistance
K. Dhananjay and E. Salman  
Stony Brook University, USA

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Scalable Resonant Power Clock Generation for Adiabatic Logic Design
B. Taskin, R. Kuttappa, L. Filippini, and N. Sica  
Drexel University, USA
04:15 – 04:55 pm  Session 13 – Secure Design and Security
Chairs: R. Reis, UFRGS, Brazil
R. Karam, University of South Florida, USA

04:15 pm  HEXON: Protecting Firmware Using Hardware-Assisted Execution-Level Obfuscation
1M. M. Hossain, 1S. Mohammad, 1J. Vosatka, 2J. Allen, 2M. Allen,
1F. Farahmandi, 1F. Rahman, and 1M. Tehranipoor
1University of Florida, USA, 2AFRL, Eglin Air Force Base, FL, USA

04:25 pm  Enhancing PRESENT-80 and Substitution-Permutation Network Cipher Security With Dynamic "Keyed" Permutation Networks
M. D. Lewandowski and S. Katkoori
University of South Florida, USA

04:35 pm  Countering PUF Modeling Attacks Through Adversarial Machine Learning
M. Ebrahimabadi, W. Lalouani, M. Younis, and N. Karimi
University of Maryland Baltimore County, USA

04:45 pm  LightRoaD: Lightweight Rowhammer Attack Detector
1M. Taouil, 1C. R. W. Reinbrecht, 1S. Hamdioui, and 2J. Sepulveda
1Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands, 2TU Munich, Germany

04:50 pm  Minimized Region of Path-Search Algorithm for ASIP-Based Connection Allocator in NoCs
S. Nam, E. Matus, G. Fettweis,
Technical university of Dresden, Dresden, Germany

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Chairs: R. Karam, University of South Florida, USA

*Improved Polygon Method for HIL Simulations in Real Time*  
M. Yushkova, A. Sanchez, and A. de Castro  
Univ. Autonoma de Madrid, Spain

*Machine Learning for VLSI CAD: A Case Study in On-Chip Power Grid Design*  
S. Dey, IIT Guwahati, India

*MCCT-Based Synthesis Towards Efficient Approximate Accelerators*  
M. Awais and M. Platzner  
Paderborn University, Germany

*Wearable Health Monitoring System for Older Adults in a Smart Home Environment*  
R. Nath land H. Thapliyal  
University of Kentucky, USA

12:45 – 01:45 pm  Research Demo Session (RDS)  
Chairs: S. A. Islam, Univ. of Texas Rio Grande Valley, USA

*Implementation of a QPSK Symbol Synchronizer in Xilinx System Generator*  
B. Comar, US DoD, USA

*Efficient Hardware Implementation of Convolution Layers Using Multiply-Accumulate Blocks*  
M. E. Nojehdeh, S. Parvin, and M. Altun  
Istanbul Technical University, Turkey

*A Study on Hardware-Aware Training Techniques for Feedforward Artificial Neural Networks*  
S. Parvin and M. Altun  
Istanbul Technical University, Turkey

*Hardware Trojan Classification at Gate-Level Netlists Based on Area and Power Machine Learning Analysis*  
K. Liakos, G. Georgakilas, and F. Plessas  
University of Thessaly, Greece

*FPGA Implementation of High Speed Anti-Notch Lattice Filter for Exon Region Identification in Eukaryotic Genes*  
¹V. Pathak, ¹S. J. Nanda, ³A. Joshi, and ²S. Sahu  
¹MNIT Jaipur, India, ²BIT Mesra, India

01:45 – 02:00 pm  ISVLSI 2021 Closing Remarks

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