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Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Doctor of Philosophy, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, June 1999

Thesis: Design of Low Power VLSI Systems Powered by Ambient Mechanical Vibration

Master of Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, May 1994 Thesis: High Bandwidth Interchip Communication for Regular Networks

Bachelor of Science, Electrical Science and Engineering, May 1994

Experience

University of California, Davis, ECE Dept.

Associate Professor Assistant Professor July 2008—Present July 2003—July 2008

Teaching and research in mixed-signal circuit design, VLSI, and embedded systems. Research interests include micropower systems, power electronics which convert ambient energy sources to electrical power for batteryless device operation, circuits and architectures for energy scalable signal processing of sensor data, sensor interfaces, and innovative multicore circuit and interconnect design.

Independent Consulting

Oct 2002—June 2003

Consulted on low power design, hardware feasibility studies, high performance I/O design, and digital ASIC and mixed-signal circuit design for several small companies and startups including SiCortex, BlueD Technologies, OcuNET Devices, and SMaL Camera Technologies.

High Speed Solutions, an Intel Company

June 1999—Oct 2002

Senior Member of Technical Staff

One of two principal contributors on an engineering staff of six who brought an early venture startup company from initiating engineering development to successful acquisition by Intel in thirteen months. Half of a two designer team responsible for innovative signaling and circuit design and implementation of a chip set for a prototype high performance memory system. Also responsible for initial electromagnetic simulation of a novel connector concept. The prototype achieved 1.6 Gbps/pair bandwidth across an 8 load multidrop bus while dissipating peak power of 40 mW/transceiver. Performed initial work to extend performance to 3.2 Gbps for 8 loads and 5 Gbps for point-to-point links. Also developed two new interconnect concepts to enable multidrop peer-to-peer communication.

Primary responsibilities included signaling theory, analysis, and design, circuit design, simulation, and custom layout, initial interconnect design and simulation, and post fabrication silicon testing. Further responsibilities involved intellectual property development, interaction with RF, mechanical, verification, and CAD engineers, test methodology development, documentation, support for technical marketing and product intercept planning, definition of R&D directions, and interviewing and training new hires.

MIT Microsystems Technology Laboratory

Jan 1995—June 1999

Research Assistant

Investigated techniques for top to bottom implementation of signal processing systems which scavenge energy from vibration sources in their environment. Developed, modeled, and tested an electromagnetic vibration-to-electric energy converter based on a moving-coil transducer. Designed, implemented, and tested a custom low power DC-DC converter IC for regulating transducer output voltage based on desired load performance. Developed a detection/classification algorithm for estimating heart rate from a novel acoustic sensor's output. Designed, implemented, and tested a full custom 250K transistor low power DSP with innovative features for sensor signal processing as part of a system incorporating a MEMS vibration-to-electric energy converter and voltage regulator for energy scavenging operation of the heartbeat detection algorithm. Also designed and implemented a low power dynamic comparator incorporated in several group test chips.

MIT Department of EECS

Fall 1998

Teaching Assistant, 6.374 Analysis and Design of Digital Integrated Circuits
Developed and graded problem sets, exams, labs, and design projects in addition to running
one-on-one and small group tutorials.

Lockheed Sanders Corp.

Summer 1997

Summer Intern

Developed and tested algorithms for detection and classification of signals for cardiac monitoring from a novel acoustic sensor.

MIT Artificial Intelligence Laboratory, Abacus Project Oct 1992—Jan 1995 Research Assistant

Designed circuits for high bandwidth interchip communication for a SIMD array.

Undergraduate Researcher

Designed and simulated the architecture of a microsequencing unit, memory controller, and i/o system for a large-scale SIMD multiprocessor. Contributed to architectural and VLSI circuit design and layout of a high performance processor chip.

IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center, Communication Circuits Group

Summer 1992

Summer Intern

Designed a low-latency phase recovery circuit that uses transition detection to accelerate initial tracking.

Programming Languages: HSPICE, MATLAB, C, Verilog HDL, Skill, Scheme/Lisp CAD: Cadence, Mentor Graphics, LINPAR

Texas Instruments, Inc., "Optical Energy Harvesting and Conversion," \$60,000, 2013-Present, PI: R. Amirtharajah

Agilent, Inc., "Dielectric Relaxation Spectroscopy Viable Yeast Sensor for Food and Biofuel Processing", \$43,149, 2014-Present, PI: A. Knoesen, Co-PIs: R. Amirtharajah, R. Boulton

UC Davis Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning Undergraduate Instructional Improvement Program (UIIP), "Renewable Energy and Green Engineering Laboratory Projects for ENG 6: Engineering Problem Solving," \$4,800, 2011-Present, **PI: R. Amirtharajah**

Rodgers Family Foundation, "T. J. Rodgers Graduate Fellowships in Electrical and Computer Engineering," \$240,000, 2010-Present, PI: A. Knoesen, Co-PIs: **R. Amirtharajah**, D. Block, R. Boulton

Texas Instruments, Inc., "Integrated Solar Energy Harvesting," \$60,000, 2012-2013, **PI: R. Amirtharajah**

Skills

Grants

The MathWorks, Inc., "Renewable Energy and Green Engineering Laboratory Projects for ENG 6: Engineering Problem Solving," \$39,919, 2011-2013, **PI: R. Amirtharajah**, Co-PIs: R. Boulton, A. Knoesen, A. Scaglione

National Science Foundation GOALI Supplement to Award #0547113, "Energy Scalable Signal Processing for Energy Harvesting Microsystems," \$25,000, 2011-2012, **PI: R. Amirthara-jah**

National Science Foundation CAREER Award #0547113, "Energy Scalable Signal Processing for Energy Harvesting Microsystems," \$400,000, 2006-2011, PI: R. Amirtharajah

Agilent Technologies Foundation, "Low Power Sigma Delta Narrowband and Wideband Digital Signal Processing on FPGAs," \$25,000, 2009-2010, PI: R. Amirtharajah

Intel, "The Capstone of the Curriculum: Improving Senior Design Projects at UC Davis ECE Department," \$30,000, 2010, PI: S. Ghiasi, Co-PIs: R. Amirtharajah, A. Knoesen, S. Lewis

Focus Center Research Program Interconnect Focus Center, "Modulated Low Power Interconnect for Energy Harvesting Sensors; Circuits and Architectures for Exploiting Silicon Nanowire Interconnect," \$332,513, 2005-2009, PI: R. Amirtharajah

UC Center for Information Technology Research in the Interest of Society (CITRIS), "Energy Harvesting for Biomedical Devices and Health Care Intelligent Infrastructure," \$75,000, 2007-2009, **PI: R. Amirtharajah**, Co-PIs: P. Wright, J. Stewart

UC Center for Information Technology Research in the Interest of Society (CITRIS), "Ultrahigh Performance Low Power, and Ubiquitous Data Centers on a Chip," \$75,000, 2007-2009, PI: S.-J. . Yoo, Co-PIs: V. Akella, **R. Amirtharajah**, B. Baas, V. Carey, S. Ghiasi, S. Islam, J. Brunberg

Nokia, "Repurposing Mobile Phones for Surveillance Applications," \$9,000, 2007-2008, PI: F. Chong, Co-PIs: V. Akella, R. Amirtharajah

Xilinx University Program, "Energy Scalable Distributed Arithmetic on FPGAs," \$10,000 (software + equipment), 2004, **PI: R. Amirtharajah**

University of California, Davis - New Faculty Research Grant, "Energy Scalable Reconfigurable Logic for Energy Scavenging Microsystems," \$2,500, 2004-2005, **PI: R. Amirthara-jah**

Journal Publications

- F. Maker, R. Amirtharajah, and V. Akella, "Runtime Adaptation of Applications Using Design of Experiments: A Smartphone-Based Case Study," *IEEE Embedded Systems Letters*, Vol. 6, Number 2, June 2014, pp. 25-8.
- T. Zink, F. Maker, R. Geyer, R. Amirtharajah, and V. Akella, "Comparative Life Cycle Assessment of Smartphone Reuse: Repurposing vs. Refurbishment," *International Journal of Life Cycle Assessment*, Vol. 19, Number 5, May 2014, pp. 1099-1109.
- K. Shaik, T. Kleeburg, and R. Amirtharajah, "Ultralow-Power Optical CDR for Integrated Photovoltaic Energy-Harvesting Sensors," *IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems II: Express Briefs*, Vol. 60, No. 12, Dec. 2013, pp. 832-6.
- F. Maker, R. Amirtharajah, and V. Akella, "MELOADES: Methodology for Long-Term Online Adaptation Embedded Software for Heterogeneous Devices," *Journal of Systems Architecture*, Vol. 59, Issue 8, September 2013, pp. 643-55.
- E. Fong, N. Guilar, T. Kleeburg, H. Pham, D. Yankelevich, and R. Amirtharajah, "Integrated Energy-Harvesting Photodiodes With Diffractive Storage Capacitance," *IEEE Transactions on VLSI Systems*, Vol. 21, No. 3, March 2013, pp. 486-97.
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- Computing Systems, Vol. 6, No. 2, Article 5, June 2010, pp. 5:1-24.
- L. Zhou, S. Djordjevic, R. Proietti, D. Ding, S. Yoo, R. Amirtharajah, and V. Akella, "Design and Evaluation of an Arbitration-Free Passive Optical Crossbar for On-Chip Interconnection Networks," *Applied Physics A*, Vol. 95, No. 4, June 2009, pp. 1111-8.
- N. Guilar, A. Chen, T. Kleeburg, D. Yankelevich, and R. Amirtharajah, "Integrated Solar Energy Harvesting and Storage," *IEEE Transactions on VLSI Systems*, Vol. 17, No. 5, May 2009, pp. 627-37.
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- R. Rao, J. Wenck, D. Franklin, R. Amirtharajah, and V. Akella, "Exploiting Non-Uniform Memory Access Patterns Through Bitline Segmentation," *ACM SIGMICRO Newsletter*, Vol. 24, No. 1, 2006, [online], available: http://sigmicro-online.org/papers24_1/6.pdf.
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Conferences

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- C. Freed, R. Amirtharajah, R. Boulton, D. Block, C. Brenneman, and A. Knoesen, "Inline Dielectric Sensor for Real-Time Monitoring of Yeast Growth in White Wine Fermentation," 64th American Society for Enology and Viticulture (ASEV) National Conference, 24-28 June 2013.
- N. Shrake, R. Amirtharajah, R. Boulton, C. Brenneman, and A. Knoesen, "Inline Multispectral Colorimeter for Real-Time Color and Total Phenolic Analysis During Red Wine Fermentations," 64th American Society for Enology and Viticulture (ASEV) National Conference, 24-28 June 2013.
- S. Hsu, R. Amirtharajah, and A. Knoesen, "Lab and Team Project Development for Engineering Problem Solving using MATLAB, with Emphasis on Solar Power and Engineering for Sustainability," 120th ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition (ASEE 2013), 23-26 June 2013, pp. 1-14.
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- R. Amirtharajah, "Microwatt Energy Scalable Reconfigurable Arrays for Sensor Signal Processing," Invited Seminar, Altera, April 30, 2014 (San Jose, CA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Opportunities and Challenges for Energy Harvesting in Wearable and Embedded Systems," Google Tech Talk, Google X, July 10, 2013 (Mountain View, CA).
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- R. Amirtharajah, "III-Nitride Integrated Systems Technologies," Invited Seminar, Workshop on Integrated Systems Enabled by Nanoengineered Group-III Nitrides, February 9, 2012 (Davis, CA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Energy Harvesting for Implantable Devices," Invited Seminar, Konica Minolta/CITRIS, October 7, 2011 (Berkeley, CA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Power Management and Energy Harvesting for Mobile Devices," Google Tech Talk, Google, July 25, 2011 (Mountain View, CA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Blending Wireless Technology with Winemaking," Invited Seminar, BWRC Wireless Sensor Workshop, Berkeley Wireless Research Center, Univ. of California, Berkeley, June 8, 2011 (Berkeley, CA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Near and Long Term Challenges and Solutions for Low Power Energy Scavenging Applications," Invited Seminar, ST Microelectronics, February 9, 2010 (Greater Noida, India).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Microwatt Design for Energy Harvesting Wireless Sensors," Invited Seminar, IEEE Circuits and Systems Society (Silicon Valley Chapter), January 26, 2009 (San Jose, CA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Opportunities and Challenges in Ultra Low Voltage CMOS," Invited Seminar, DSM Solutions, Inc., January 23, 2009 (Los Gatos, CA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Microwatt Design for Energy Harvesting Wireless Sensors," Invited Seminar, Intel, December 12, 2008 (Hillsboro, OR).
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- R. Amirtharajah, "Micropower Integrated Circuits for Energy Harvesting Wireless Sensors," Berkeley Wireless Research Center Seminar, Univ. of California, Berkeley, November 15, 2007 (Berkeley, CA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "An Energy Scalable Computational Array for Energy Harvesting Sensor Signal Processing," Invited Seminar, Univ. of Albany, October 31, 2007 (Albany, NY).
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- R. Amirtharajah, "Power Supplies for Energy Harvesting Sensors," Invited Seminar, National Semiconductor, August 16, 2005 (Grass Valley, CA).
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- R. Amirtharajah, "Energy Scalable Low Power DSP for Energy Harvesting Sensor Applications," Electrical Engineering Seminar, University of California, Los Angeles, September 9, 2004 (Los Angeles, CA).
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- R. Amirtharajah, "A 1.6 Gb/s/pair Electromagnetically Coupled Multidrop Bus Using Pulse-Based Modulated Signaling," 6.976 Invited Guest Lecture, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, May 9, 2003 (Cambridge, MA).
- R. Amirtharajah, "Micropower Energy Scalable DSP Systems Powered From Vibration-to-Electric Energy Conversion," Invited Seminar, Brown University, Nov. 20, 2002 (Providence, RI).

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IEEE Solid-State Circuits Society

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Book Proposal Reviewer for Cambridge University Press

Book Proposal Reviewer for John Wiley and Sons, Inc.

Book Reviewer for NTS Press

Paper Reviewer for IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits

Paper Reviewer for IEEE Communications Magazine

Paper Reviewer for IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design

Paper Reviewer for IEEE Transactions on Power Electronics

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Paper Reviewer for ACM Transactions on Architecture and Code Optimization

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Paper Reviewer for ACM Journal on Emerging Technologies in Computing Systems

Paper Reviewer for Pervasive and Mobile Computing

Reviewer for 12th IEEE International Symposium on High-Performance Computer Architecture (HPCA-12), 2006

Reviewer for 17th ACM Symposium on Parallelism in Algorithms and Architectures (SPAA 2005)

Technical Program Committee for 2004 Great Lakes Symposium on VLSI

Technical Program Committee for International Solid-State Circuits Conference (ISSCC), 2005-2009

Technical Program Committee for Hot Chips Conference, 2006 (Member) and 2007 (Co-Chair)

Technical Program Committee for International Symposium on Low Power Electronics and Design (ISLPED), 2012

Technical Program Committee for Custom Integrated Circuits Conference (CICC), 2007-2014 (Member), Power Electronics Subcommittee Chair, 2011-2013

Awards & Honors

National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship 1994-1997

National Science Foundation CAREER Award 2006-2011

Lockheed-Martin Teaching Award for Assistant Professor 2008

Electrical and Computer Engineering Graduate Student Association Award for Graduate Teaching and Mentorship 2010

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