ESE355: VLSI System Design

Catalog Description: Introduces techniques and tools for scalable VLSI design and analysis. Emphasis is on physical design and on performance analysis. Includes extensive lab experiments and hand-on usage of CAD tools.

Course Designation: Elective for EE and CE


Prerequisites: ESE218
Corequisite: none

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Goals: The course introduces techniques and tools for scalable VLSI design and analysis. The emphasis is on physical design and on performance analysis. The course includes extensive lab experiments, a mini project and hands-on usage of CAD tools.

Objectives: Upon completion of this course, students are able to develop, layout and simulate fabricatable designs of VLSI building blocks, such as registers, arithmetic units, finite state machines, and medium-scale VLSI chips. Students are knowledgeable to design digital circuits optimized for timing and area constraints.

Topics Covered:

| Week 1. | Introduction to design of VLSI systems and circuits. The MOSFET Transistor. Static behavior. Dynamic behavior. Secondary effects. SPICE models for the MOS transistor. Small-signal models. |
| Week 2. | The CMOS Inverter. Static behavior. |
| Week 4. | Combinational Logic Gates. Complementary CMOS design |
| Week 11. | Design for Testability. |
Packaging technology.


Class/laboratory Schedule: 3 lecture hours and 3 laboratory hours per week.

Grade = 20% Homeworks + 25% Midterm + 35% Final + 20% Project

**Program Outcomes and Assessment**

On the following "a-k" list, please check those topics which are covered within the course:

- (a) ability to apply knowledge of math, engineering, and science
  - (a1) knowledge of probability and statistics, including applications to EE/CE
  - (a2) knowledge of mathematics and of basic engineering sciences necessary to carry out analysis and design appropriate to EE/CE.
  - (a3) knowledge of discrete mathematics or advanced mathematics (linear algebra)
- (b1) ability to design and conduct experiments
- (b2) ability to analyze and interpret data
- (c) ability to design system, component or process to meet needs
- (d) ability to function on multi-disciplinary teams
- (e) ability to identify, formulate, and solve engineering problems
- (f) understanding of professional and ethical responsibility
- (g) ability to communicate effectively
- (h) broad education
- (i) recognition of need an ability to engage in life-long learning
- (j) knowledge of contemporary issues
- (k) ability to use techniques, skills, and tools in engineering practice

% contribution*

*Assume that the total contribution of any course will be 100%. Use the right hand column to indicate the approximate percent that the left hand columns contribute to the overall course.

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