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Education

- 1997 – 2002 University of California, Berkeley, CA, USA
Ph.D. in Engineering – EECS (December 2002)
Dissertation: *Nanometer Circuit Performance Analysis: Device and Interconnect*
M.A. in Biophysics (December 1999)
- 1991 – 1996 Peking University, Beijing, China
B.S. in Physics (July 1996)

Work Experience

- 2015 – Professor, School of Electrical, Computer and Energy Engineering, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- 2013 – 2014 Visiting Associate Professor, Graduate School of Informatics, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan
- 2009 – 2015 Associate Professor, School of ECEE, ASU, Tempe, AZ
- 2004 – 2009 Assistant Professor, School of ECEE, ASU, Tempe, AZ
- 2003 – 2004 Post-Doctoral Researcher, University of California, Berkeley, CA
Berkeley Wireless Research Center, Advisor: Professor Jan M. Rabaey
- 1999 – 2002 Graduate Student Researcher, University of California, Berkeley, CA
Device Group, Department of EECS, Advisor: Professor Chenming Hu
- 2001 Summer Research Intern, IBM Microelectronics Division, Hopewell Junction, NY
- 2000 Summer Research Intern, Hewlett-Packard Laboratories, Palo Alto, CA

Teaching Experience

- EEE 333: HDL and Programmable Logic
- EEE 425: Digital Systems and Circuits
- EEE 525: VLSI Design
- EEE 598: Modeling and Design Solutions for Nano-CMOS Technology (Developed)

Honors and Awards

- 2017 IEEE Fellow, “for development of predictive technology models for reliable circuit and system integration”
- 2016 Top 5% Teaching Award, Ira. A. Fulton Schools of Engineering, ASU

2015	Top 5% Teaching Award, Ira. A. Fulton Schools of Engineering, ASU
2013	Top 5% Teaching Award, Ira. A. Fulton Schools of Engineering, ASU
2012	Best Paper Award, IEEE Computer Society Annual Symposium on VLSI
2012	Top 5% Teaching Award, Ira. A. Fulton Schools of Engineering, ASU
2010	Top 5% Teaching Award, Ira. A. Fulton Schools of Engineering, ASU
2009	ACM SIGDA Outstanding New Faculty Award
2009	Promotion and Tenure Faculty Exemplar, Arizona State University
2009	Distinguished Lecturer of the IEEE Circuits and Systems Society (CAS)
2008	Chunhui Award for Outstanding Oversea Chinese Scholars, China
2007	Best Paper Award, International Symposium on Low Power Electronics and Design
2007	IBM Faculty Award
2006	NSF Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Award
2006	IBM Faculty Award
2004	Best Paper Award, International Symposium on Quality Electronic Design
2000	Beatrice Winner Award, International Solid-State Circuits Conference
1997	Biophysics Graduate Program Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley
1996	Regents Fellowship, University of California, Santa Cruz

Research Interests

- Predictive modeling of nanoelectronic devices
- Physical-level design and tools for variability and reliability
- Reliable integration of CMOS and emerging technologies
- Neural-inspired hardware and algorithms for learning

Teaching Interests

- Undergraduate: VLSI design and synthesis, solid-state devices, digital circuits and systems, analog integrated circuits, computer architecture
- Graduate: VLSI design for nanoscale technology, device modeling, computer-aided design

Professional Service

- Guest Editor, *ACM Journal on Emerging Technologies in Computing Systems*, Special Issue on Hardware and Algorithms for Learning On-a-chip, 2016
- Guest Editor, *IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design of Integrated Circuits and Systems* Special Issue on Cross-layer Reliability and Security, 2016
- Guest Editor, *IEEE Transactions on Nanotechnology*, Special Issue on Nanoelectronic Devices and Circuits for Next Generation Sensing and Information Processing, 2016
- Advisory Board Member, International Membrane Computing Society (IMCS), 2016
- Chair, Digital Design, Timing and Simulation Sub-Committee, *Design Automation Conference (DAC)*, 2016, 2017
- Chair, Circuit Reliability Committee, *IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium (IRPS)*, 2016
- Chair of *Workshop on Hardware and Algorithms for Learning On-a-chip (HALO)*, 2015, 2016
- Chair of *Workshop on Adaptive Learning On-a-chip: Hardware and Algorithms (ALOHA)* at *SIAM International Conference on Data Mining*, 2015.

- Co-organizer, Special Session on Cross-layer Technology and Design Solutions for Resilience, *IEEE International Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS)*, 2015
- Chair, Simulation and Modeling Committee, *IEEE Custom Integrated Circuits Conference (CICC)*, 2014, 2015
- Co-organizer, Special Session on Toward On-Chip Cortical Computing, *Design Automation Conference (DAC)*, 2014
- Co-chair, Circuit Aging/Simulation and Circuit Reliability Committee, *IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium (IRPS)*, 2014
- Co-organizer, Special Session on Neuron Inspired Computing using Nanotechnology, *Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC)*, 2014
- Co-chair, Simulation and Modeling Committee, *IEEE Custom Integrated Circuits Conference (CICC)*, 2013
- Chair, Circuit Reliability Committee, *IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium (IRPS)*, 2013
- Associate Editor, *IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design of Integrated Circuits and Systems*, 2012 – present
- Co-organizer, Tutorial on Overcoming CMOS Reliability Challenges: From Devices to Circuits and Systems, *Design, Automation & Test in Europe (DATE)*, 2011
- Chair, Signal Integrity and Reliability Sub-Committee, *Design Automation Conference (DAC)*, 2010
- Chair, ACM SIGDA Design for Manufacturability Technical Committee, 2010
- Associate Editor, *Journal of Computational Electronics*, Springer, 2010 – 2013
- Program Chair, *1st IEEE CASS Summer School on Physical Design of Reliable Systems*, Brazil, 2010
- Guest Editor, *IEEE Design & Test of Computers*, Special Issue on Compact Variability Modeling, 2010
- Chair, Circuit Reliability Committee, *IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium (IRPS)*, 2010
- Vice Chair, ACM SIGDA Design for Manufacturability Technical Committee, 2009
- Editorial Board, *ASP Journal of Low Power Electronics*, 2009 – present
- Guest Editor, *IEEE Design & Test of Computers*, Special Issue on Design for Reliability, 2009
- Chair, VLSI Circuit and Architecture Track, *IEEE Computer Society Annual Symposium on VLSI (ISVLSI)*, 2009
- Organizer, Tutorial on Circuit Reliability, *Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC)*, 2009
- Co-chair, Circuit Reliability Committee, *IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium (IRPS)*, 2009
- Co-organizer of *IEEE/ACM Workshop on Compact Variability Modeling (CVM)*, 2008 – 2012
- Chair, Device Modeling and Simulation Subcommittee, *IEEE International Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD)*, 2008
- Chair, Design Contest, *ACM/IEEE International Symposium on Low Power Electronics Design (ISLPED)*, 2008 – 2009
- Member of the Compact Modeling Technical Committee, IEEE Electron Devices Society, 2007 – present
- Publicity Chair, IEEE Solid-State Circuits Society, Phoenix Chapter, 2006 – 2008
- Technical Program Committee member:
 - *IEEE Custom Integrated Circuits Conference (CICC)*, 2012 – present
 - *ACM/IEEE Design Automation Conference (DAC)*, 2007 – 2009, 2016
 - *IEEE Workshop on Design for Reliability and Variability (DRV)*, 2009
 - *IEEE Great Lakes Symposium on VLSI (GLSVLSI)*, 2006 – 2010
 - *ACM/IEEE International Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD)*, 2005 – 2008, 2014 – present

- *IEEE International Conference on Computer Design (ICCD)*, 2005 – 2007
- *IEEE International Conference on Microelectronic Test Structures (ICMTS)*, 2014 – present
- *IEEE International Conference on Solid-State and Integrated Circuit Technology (ICSICT)*, 2014
- *IEEE International Electron Devices Meeting (IEDM)*, 2011 – 2012
- *IEEE International Symposium on Nanoelectronic and Information Systems (iNIS)*, 2015 – present
- *IEEE International On-Line Testing Symposium (IOLTS)*, 2009 – 2011, 2013
- *IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium (IRPS)*, 2009 – present
- *ACM/IEEE International Symposium on Low Power Electronics Design (ISLPED)*, 2005 – 2009, 2013 – 2015
- *IEEE International Symposium on Quality Electronic Design (ISQED)*, 2008, 2016
- *IEEE Computer Society Annual Symposium on VLSI (ISVLSI)*, 2009
- *International Workshop on Compact Modeling (IWCM)*, 2012 – present
- *IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Nanoscale Architectures (NANOARCH)*, 2016
- *ACM/IEEE International Workshop on System Level Interconnect Prediction (SLIP)*, 2007 – 2011
- Session Chair, ASP-DAC 2014, CICC 2012/2013, DAC 2005/2007/2009/2013, ICCAD 2005/2006, ICCD 2005, IEDM 2012, IRPS 2010/2013, ISLPED 2005/2007, ISQED 2006, SLIP 2010
- Proposal reviewer for:
 - National Science Foundation
 - Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) of Canada
 - Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong
 - University of Arizona ADVANCE program
 - University of California MICRO program
- Reviewer for:
 - *IEEE Computer Architecture Letters*, *IEEE Transactions on Automation Sciences and Engineering*, *IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design*, *IEEE Transactions on Device and Materials Reliability*, *IEEE Transactions on Electron Devices*, *IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits*, *IEEE Transactions on VLSI Systems*, *IEEE Electron Device Letters*, *IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems*, *IEEE Circuits and Devices Magazine*, *IEEE Transactions on Nanotechnology*
 - *ACM Transactions on Design Automation of Electronic Systems*, *ACM Journal of Emerging Technologies in Computing Systems*
 - *AIP Journal of Applied Physics*
 - *ASP Journal of Low Power Electronics*
 - *IBM Journal of Research and Development*
 - *IEE Proceedings of Circuits, Devices and Systems*, *IET Microwaves, Antennas & Propagation*, *IET Electronics Letters*
 - *Elsevier Microelectronics Journal*, *Elsevier Microelectronics Reliability*, *Elsevier Solid State Electronics*, *Elsevier VLSI Integration*
 - *Morgan Kaufmann Publishers Inc.*
 - *Springer Journal of Computational Electronics*, *Springer Journal of Electronic Testing*
 - *Springer Science+Business Media, LLC*

University Service

- ECEE Faculty Search Committee, 2013
- Grand Challenge Scholar Program Faculty Advisory Committee, 2012 – present
- Solid-State Circuits Master (MSE) graduate advisor, 2005 – present
- Curriculum development of the Solid-State Circuits group at ASU, 2005 – present

Consulting Experience

- PetVocal LLC, 2016 – present
- Pepper Hamilton LLP, 2014
- Proplus Design Solutions Inc., San Jose, CA [Technical Advisory Board member, 2011 – present]
- Anova Solutions Inc., Santa Clara, CA, 2005 – 2006
- APIC Corporation, Culver City, CA, 2009
- Rio Design Automation Inc., Santa Clara, CA, 2003 – 2004
- Seiko EDA Technologies Inc., Japan, 2002 – 2003
- Celestry Design Technologies Inc., San Jose, CA, 2001 – 2002

Grants and Contracts

- Intel, “Neuromorphic architecture with distributed inhibition for hierarchical learning and classification,” co-PI with Jae-sun Seo and Chaitali Chakrabarti, ASU, 12/01/16 – 11/30/17 [Gift]
- Boehringer Ingelheim, “Asthma control / cough assessment with smart wearable systems,” 07/01/16 – 12/31/16
- Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, “Integrity and reliability of integrated circuits (IRIS),” co-PI with Boeing, 04/01/16 – 09/30/17
- Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, “A mixed-mode hardware platform for spiking neural networks,” 01/01/16 – 06/30/17
- Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology (SAIT), “Design low power hardware accelerator for bio-signal processing,” co-PI with Sarma Vrudhula, Jingrui He, Jae-sun Seo, ASU, 05/01/15 – 03/01/16, \$120,000
- MaxLinear, Inc., “28nm Age Model Development,” 08/01/14 – 07/31/15 [Gift]
- MaxLinear, Inc., “28nm Age Model Development,” 07/01/13 – 12/31/14 [Gift]
- Center for Embedded Systems, a National Science Foundation’s Industry/University Cooperative Research Center, “Design of Ultra-low Power Circuits for Compressive Sensing in Mobile Device,” co-PI with Sarma Vrudhula, 07/25/14 – 07/24/15
- National Science Foundation, “CSR: Small: Heterogeneous Memory Design: Exploiting Device Diversity for Superior System Performance,” co-PI with Chaitali Chakrabarti, 09/01/12 – 08/31/15
- Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, “Techniques for Estimating Reliability in COTS ICs (TERCI),” co-PI with Michael Fritze, USC, 07/21/11 – 07/20/14
- Intel Corporation, University Research Office, seed funding to support research on reconfigurable analog design, 01/11 – 12/13 [Gift]
- Intel Corporation, University Research Office, Resilient Computing Program, 01/12 – 12/13 [Gift]
- National Science Foundation, “SHF: Small: Collaborative Research: Fast Sign-Off of Nanoscale Memory: From Predictive Device Modeling to Statistical Circuit Synthesis,” 08/15/10 – 07/31/13
- National Science Foundation, “EAGER: Low-Power VLSI Applications of Neuromorphic Circuit Construction with Nanoelectronic Devices,” co-PI with Bertan Bakkaloglu, ASU, 09/01/09 – 08/31/10
- Focus Center Research Program (FCRP), IFC, “Scalable Technology Models for Alternative Devices and Interconnect,” 11/01/09 – 10/31/10
- Qualcomm, “Benchmarking Nanoscale Circuit Design with Predictive Technology Model,” 04/01/08 – 03/31/09
- National Science Foundation, “Self-Assembled Inductors: A New Paradigm in Nanoelectronics Design,” co-PI with Hongbin Yu, Bertan Bakkaloglu, Hao Yan, ASU, 09/01/07 – 08/31/10
- Semiconductor Research Corporation, “Predictive Modeling and Simulation of Reliability Degradation in Nanoscale Circuits,” 07/01/07 – 06/31/10

- Qualcomm, “Benchmarking Nanoscale Circuit Design with Predictive Technology Model,” 04/01/07 – 03/31/08
- Focus Center Research Program (FCRP), GSRC, “System Performance Prediction for Reliable Nanoscale Integration,” 09/01/06 – 8/31/09
- Focus Center Research Program (FCRP), MSD-C2S2, “Predictive Technology Modeling for End-of-the-Roadmap and Post-Silicon Technologies,” 09/01/06 – 8/31/09
- National Science Foundation, “CAREER: Bridging the Technology-EDA Gap through Strategic Tools for Robust Nanometer Design,” 08/15/06 – 07/31/11
- IBM Corporation, Faculty Award for research on nanoelectronic design, 2007 [Gift]
- Semiconductor Research Corporation, “Benchmarking Nanoscale Circuit Reliability with Predictive Technology Models,” 09/01/05 – 12/31/06
- IBM Corporation, Faculty Award for research on reliable system design, 2006 [Gift]
- Intel Corporation, funding to support research on variation modeling and analysis, 2006 [Gift]
- Connection One, a National Science Foundation’s Industry/University Cooperative Research Center, “Ultra Low-Power Digital Logic Design for Nanometer Technology,” 07/01/05 – 09/30/06
- Microelectronics Advanced Research Corporation (MARCO), MSD-C2S2, “Predictive Technology Modeling for Robust Nanometer Design,” 04/16/05 – 12/31/06
- Semiconductor Research Corporation, “Robust Low Power Circuit Design with Predictive Technology Models,” co-PI with Lawrence Clark, ASU, 01/01-05 – 01/31/06

Students

Ph.D. Graduate Students

- Xiaocong Du
- Abinash Mohanty
- Devyani Patra
- Zihan Xu
- Naveen Suda (December 2015, Dissertation “Reconfigurable architectures and systems for IoT applications,” now with ARM)
- Ketul Sutaria (November 2014, Dissertation “Modeling and simulation tools for aging effects in scaled CMOS design,” now with Intel)
- Anupama Subramaniam (November 2012, Dissertation “Efficient circuit analysis under multiple input switching,” now with Intel)
- Jyothi Velamala (November 2012, Dissertation “Compact modeling and simulation for digital circuit aging,” now with Intel)
- Saurabh Sinha (November 2011, Dissertation “Neuromorphic controller for low power systems: from devices to circuits,” now with ARM)
- Chi-Chao Wang (March 2011, Dissertation “Predictive modeling for extremely scaled CMOS and post-silicon devices,” now with Intel)
- Yun Ye (April 2011, Dissertation “Modeling and simulation of variations in nano-CMOS design,” now with Siemens Corporate Technology)
- Min Chen (May 2010, Dissertation “Design for reliability: from silicon characterization, model calibration, to efficient simulation,” now with Qualcomm)
- Wei Zhao (March 2009, Dissertation “Predictive technology modeling for scaled CMOS design,” now with Qualcomm)
- Wenping Wang (June 2008, Dissertation “Circuit aging in scaled CMOS design: modeling, simulation, and prediction,” now with Qualcomm)

- Asha Balijepalli (co-advised with Prof. Trevor Thornton, December 2007, Dissertation “Compact modeling and applications of a PD SOI MESFET,” now with GLOBALFOUNDRIES)

Masters Graduate Students

- Srivatsava Gorthy
- Ankita Bansal (June 2016, Thesis “Reliability issues and design solutions in advanced CMOS design,” now with Intel)
- Pei An (November 2013, Thesis “Reliable arithmetic circuit design inspired by SN P systems,” now with Supertex)
- Venkatesa Sarma Ravi (February 2013, Thesis “Statistical characterization and decomposition of SRAM cell variability and aging,” now with Samsung)
- Cheng Xu (November 2012, Thesis “Programmable analog device array (PANDA): a methodology for transistor-level analog emulation,” now with Microchip)
- Rui Zheng (April 2011, Thesis “Aging predictive models and simulation methods for analog and mixed-signal circuits,” now with Loongson)
- Jia Ni (May 2010, Thesis “Rigorous extraction of V_{th} variation in SRAM cell transistors,” now with Bloomberg)
- Varsha Balakrishnan (November 2009, Thesis “Circuit aging simulation for digital and analog circuits,” now with Apple)
- Dinesh Ganesan (December 2007, Thesis “Finite point gate model,” now with Freescale)
- Ritu Singal (September 2007, Thesis “Compact modeling of non-rectangular gate effect,” now with Intel)
- Rakesh Vattikonda (July 2007, Thesis “Predictive modeling of NBTI effect,” now with Qualcomm)
- Tarun Sairam (July 2006, Thesis “Low-power digital design with FinFET technology,” now with Oracle)

Visiting Scholars

- Zhiming Yang (04/16 – 03/17, Harbin Institute of Technology)
- Yao Ma (09/12 – 08/13, Sichuan University, “Compact modeling of CMOS devices during swift heavy ion irradiation”)

Selected Invited Talks and Presentations

- IEEE CEDA Workshop on Design Automation Futures, “CMOS or emerging devices: Technology and design benchmarking for efficient neuromorphic computing,” Fremont, CA, October 2016.
- IBM, “Neuromorphic computing on-a-chip: Devices, circuits and algorithms,” Yorktown Heights, NY, October 2016.
- Embedded Systems Week, Tutorial, “Algorithms and hardware for learning on-a-chip,” Pittsburgh, PA, October 2016.
- International Conference on Field-Programmable Logic and Applications, Tutorial, “Energy-efficient acceleration for neuro-inspired computing on-a-chip,” Lausanne, Switzerland, August 2016.
- International Roadmap for Devices and Systems, NanoCrossbar Workshop, “Neuromorphic computing with resistive synaptic arrays: devices, circuits, and systems,” Sunnyvale, CA, July 2016.
- Neuromorphic Computing Workshop at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, “Efficient neuromorphic learning with motifs of feedforward inhibition,” Oak Ridge, TN, June 2016.
- SIGDA Design Automation Summer School, “Hardware efficiency in neuromorphic computing: devices, circuits, and algorithms,” Austin, TX, June 2016.
- Peking University, “Efficient neuromorphic computing on-a-chip: devices, circuits, and algorithms,” Beijing, China, May 2016.

- Raytheon Information Systems and Computing Symposium, “Efficient and accurate neuromorphic learning with the feedforward motif,” Tucson, AZ, May 2016.
- International Symposium on Quality Electronic Design, “Neuromorphic computing with resistive synaptic arrays: devices, circuits and systems,” Santa Clara, CA, March 2016.
- Boehringer Ingelheim, “Asthma control and cough assessment with smart wearable systems,” Ingelheim, Germany, March 2016.
- Great Lakes Symposium on VLSI, “On-chip sparse learning with resistive cross-point array architecture,” Pittsburgh, PA, May 2015.
- Samsung, “On-chip Learning with Resistive Cross-point Array,” San Jose, CA, July 2014.
- Qualcomm, “On-chip Learning with Resistive Cross-point Array,” San Diego, CA, July 2014.
- Government Microcircuit Applications & Critical Technology Conference, Tutorial, “Compact Modeling of Circuit Reliability,” Charleston, SC, March 2014.
- Samsung Technology Forum, “Designing Smarter SoCs for Reliability,” Milpitas, CA, September 2013.
- IEEE Electron Device Society Mini-colloquium, “Hierarchical Exploration of Heterogeneous Memory Design,” Peking University, Beijing, China, July 2013.
- Design Automation Conference, Tutorial, “The Roadmap of Unreliability: A Digital Perspective,” Austin, TX, June 2013.
- MaxLinear, “The Roadmap of Device Unreliability,” San Diego, CA, April 2013.
- International Reliability Physics Symposium, Panelist, “Emerging Trends & Scaling in Reliability,” Monterey, CA, April 2013.
- IEEE SSCS Phoenix Chapter / Connection One Research Center, “Designing Smarter SoCs for Reliability,” Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, March 2013.
- ARM, “Hierarchical Memory Modeling for Resilient Integration,” San Jose, CA, December 2012.
- International Conference on Solid-State and Integrated Circuit Technology, “Multi-level Reliability Simulation for IC design,” Xian, China, October 2012.
- IEEE Electron Device Society Mini-colloquium, “Circuit Reliability Modeling and Simulation for Complex SoCs,” Peking University, Beijing, China, October 2012.
- CMOS Emerging Technologies, “Design Exploration of Heterogeneous Memory Technologies,” Vancouver, Canada, July 2012.
- Workshop on Compact Modeling, Nanotech Conference & Expo 2012, “Hierarchical Memory Modeling for Reliable Integration,” Santa Clara, CA, June 2012.
- International Reliability Physics Symposium, Tutorial, “Circuit Reliability Modeling and Simulation for Complex SoCs,” Anaheim, CA, April 2012.
- Workshop on Compact Modeling, Nanotech Conference & Expo 2011, “A Universal Memory Model for Design Exploration,” Boston, MA, June 2011.
- 219th Electrochemical Society Meeting, “Intrinsic Variability and Reliability in Nano-CMOS,” Montreal, Canada, May 2011.
- International Reliability Physics Symposium, Year in Review, “Circuit Reliability: Cross-layer Resilience Challenges and Solutions,” Monterey, CA, April 2011.
- IBM, Austin Distinguished Seminar Series, “Design at the End of the Silicon?” Austin, TX, April 2011.
- Design, Automation and Test in Europe, Tutorial, “Modeling & Simulation of CMOS Circuit Reliability,” Grenoble, France, March 2011.
- International Electron Devices Meeting, “Intrinsic Variability in Nano-CMOS Design and Beyond,” San Francisco, CA, December 2010.
- Intel, “Programmable Analog Device Array (PANDA): A Platform for Transistor-Level Analog Reconfigurability,” Santa Clara, CA, November 2010.

- Workshop on Simulation and Characterization of Statistical CMOS Variability and Reliability, International Conference on Simulation of Semiconductor Processes and Devices, “Statistical Reliability Modeling and Characterization in Scaled CMOS Design,” Bologna, Italy, September 2010.
- International Workshop on System Level Interconnect Prediction, Panelist, “New Models and Algorithms for Multi-core Interconnects,” Anaheim, CA, June 2010.
- TI, “Modeling and Simulation of Digital Circuit Reliability,” Dallas, TX, June 2010.
- First International Variability Characterization Workshop, “Predictive Variability Model,” Hsinchu, Taiwan, April 2010.
- Semiconductor Research Corporation (SRC) Technology Transfer e-Workshop, “In-Situ Characterization and Modeling of Circuit Reliability in Dynamic Operations,” March 2010.
- First IEEE CASS Summer School on Physical Design of Reliability Circuits, “Variability and Reliability in Advanced CMOS Design: Modeling and Resilient Design Solutions,” Porto Alegre, Brazil, January 2010.
- CMOS Emerging Technologies Workshop, “Compact Variability Modeling of Nanoscale CMOS Technology,” Vancouver, Canada, September 2009.
- Air Force Research Lab, Technology Seminar, “Reliability in Advanced CMOS Design: Modeling and Resilient Solutions,” Albuquerque, NM, August 2009.
- GLOBALFOUNDRIES, “Modeling and Design of Reliable Nanoelectronics,” Sunnyvale, CA, July 2009.
- Intel, Pathfinding Forum, “Predictive Variability Modeling and Design Implications,” Santa Clara, CA, July 2009.
- IBM, “Compact Variability Modeling and Design Implications,” Yorktown Heights, NY, April 2009; Austin, TX, June 2009.
- Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference, Tutorial, “Circuit Reliability: Modeling, Simulation, and Resilient Design Solutions,” Yokohama, Japan, 2009.
- IEEE Workshop on Design for Reliability and Variability, “Modeling and Simulation Tools for Resilient Nanoelectronic Design,” Santa Clara, CA, October 2008.
- Intel, “Predictive Technology Modeling for Robust Nanoelectronic Design: CMOS and Beyond” and “Modeling and Diagnosis of Circuit Reliability in Scaled CMOS Design,” Hillsboro, OR, August 2008.
- International On-Line Testing Symposium, Invited Talk, “Modeling and Simulation of Circuit Aging in Scaled CMOS Design,” Rhodes, Greece, July 2008.
- International Reliability Physics Symposium, Tutorial, “Reliability Modeling and Simulation for Sub-45nm Design,” Phoenix, AZ, April 2008.
- ARM, “Reliable Integration with Unreliable Nanoscale Devices: Predictive Modeling and Design Solutions,” Sunnyvale, CA, March 2008.
- DARPA/MTO LIBRA Workshop on Designing Reliable Systems from Unreliable Components, “Reliable Modeling and Tools for Resilient Design,” Arlington, VA, November, 2007.
- University of Washington, Department of Electrical Engineering, Research Colloquium, “Predictive Technology Model for Nanoelectronic Design,” Seattle, WA, November 2007.
- International Conference on Computer-Aided Design, embedded tutorial, “MOSFET Modeling for 45nm and beyond,” November, 2007.
- Tsinghua University and Southeast University, “Predictive Technology Modeling in the Nanoelectronics Era,” China, May 2007.
- Intel, “Coping with Process Variations in Circuit Modeling and Simulation,” Santa Clara, CA, February, 2007.
- IBM, “Predictive Modeling of NBTI Effects for Reliable Nanoscale Design,” Austin, TX, February 2007.

- Synopsys Engineering Seminar Series (SESS), “Predictive Technology Modeling for Robust Circuit Design with Nano-CMOS and Post-Silicon Technologies,” Sunnyvale, CA, December 2006.
- University of California, Los Angeles, “Bridging Nanometer to Gigascale: Predictive Technology Modeling for Robust IC Design,” November 2006.
- TI, “Predictive Modeling of Variability and Reliability in Nanoscale Design,” Dallas, TX, November 2006.
- Qualcomm, “Benchmarking Nanoscale Circuit Design with Predictive Design Model,” San Diego, CA, October 2006.
- International Conference on Nano-Networks, “Predictive Technology Model for Nano-CMOS Design Exploration,” Lausanne, Switzerland, September 2006.
- Synopsys Engineering Seminar Series (SESS), “Coping with Process Uncertainties in Circuit Modeling and Simulation,” Sunnyvale, CA, September 2006.
- Semiconductor Research Corporation (SRC) Technology Transfer e-Workshop, “Benchmarking Nanoscale Circuit Reliability with Predictive Technology Models,” August 2006.
- Intel External Long-range Research Seminar (ELRS), “Predictive Technology Modeling for Reliable Nanoscale Integration,” San Jose, CA, August 2006.
- Tsinghua University and Peking University, “Bridging Nanometer to Gigascale: Predictive Technology Model for Robust Nanometer Integration,” Beijing, China, May 2006.
- LSI Logic, “Predictive Technology Model for Robust Nanoscale Integration,” Milpitas, CA, March 2006.
- Intel, “Modeling and Simulation of Variability and Reliability Issues for Robust Nanometer Design,” Santa Clara, CA, March 2006.
- IBM T. J. Watson Research Center and Austin Research Laboratories, “Modeling and Simulation of Variability and Reliability Issues for Robust Nanometer Design,” Yorktown Heights, NY and Austin, TX, February 2006.
- Arizona State University, Center for Solid State Electronics Research (CSSER) Seminar, “Predictive Technology Model for Robust Nanoscale Integration,” Tempe, AZ, February 2006.
- Synopsys, “Benchmarking Sub-45nm Circuits Design with Predictive Technology Models,” Sunnyvale, CA, January 2006.
- IBM Austin Research Laboratories, “Variability Modeling and Characterization for Robust Nanometer Design,” Austin, TX, August 2005.
- Synopsys, “Bridging the Technology-EDA Gap: Variability Modeling and Characterization for Robust Nanometer Design,” Sunnyvale, CA, August 2005.
- Intel, “Bridging Nanometer to Gigascale: Process Variation Modeling for Reliable Design,” Santa Clara, CA, February 2005.

Professional Membership

- Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- Member, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)

Patent

- Shimeng Yu, Yu Cao, Jae-sun Seo, Sarma Vrudhula, Jieping Ye, “Resistive cross-point architecture for robust data representation with arbitrary precision,” US patent 9466362, October 11, 2016.
- Lawrence Clark, Yu Cao, “Fast parallel test of SRAM arrays,” US patent application 2013/0111282, May 2, 2013.

- Xia Li, Wei Zhao, David Bang, Yu Cao, Seung H. Kang, Matthew Nowak, “Predictive modeling of contact and via modules for advanced on-chip interconnect technology,” US patent 8483997, July 9, 2013.
- Xia Li, Wei Zhao, Yu Cao, Shiqun Gu, Seung H. Kang, Matthew Nowak, “Predictive modeling of interconnect modules for advanced on-chip interconnect technology,” US patent 8429577, April 23, 2013.
- Xia Li, Wei Zhao, Yu Cao, Shiqun Gu, Seung H. Kang, Ming-Chu King, “Via structure integrated in electronic substrate,” US patent 8227708, July 24, 2012.
- Norman Chang, Yu Cao, Osamu Samuel Nakagawa, Shen Lin, Weize Xie, “System for improving circuit simulations by utilizing a simplified circuit model based on effective capacitance and inductance values,” US patent 6567960, May 20, 2003.

Publications

Books and Book Chapters

- [1] K. B. Sutaria, J. B. Velamala, A. Ramkumar, Y. Cao, “Compact modeling of BTI for circuit reliability analysis,” Chapter 6, pp. 93-119, in *Circuit Design for Reliability*, Edited by R. Reis, Y. Cao, G. Wirth, Springer, 2015.
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