Anirudha Behera

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SUMMARY

Passionate Physical Design Engineer with 2+ years of experience in ASIC design flow, specializing in PnR, STA, and low-power techniques. Proficient in RTL to GDSII implementation and optimization using Synopsys and Cadence tools. Experienced in resolving design challenges and improving PPA metrics across 3nm, 5nm, and 14nm nodes.

EDUCATION

Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, USA

01/2022 - 12/2023

GPA: 3.53/4.0

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

Relevant Courses: Introduction to VLSI, CAD Techniques for VLSI Design, High-Performance

VLSI/IC Systems, Digital SoC Design, Computer Organization and Design, RF Integrated Circuit Design

Gandhi Institute For Technology, Bhubaneswar, India

08/2014 - 07/2018

Bachelor of Technology in Electrical Engineering

GPA: 8.1/10

Department Rank 1 (5th - 8th Semester), Recipient of the Best Live Major Project Team Award in 2018 **SKILLS**

Programming Languages: Perl, TCL Methodology, Bash Shell, Basics of Python, Verilog HDL

EDA Tools: Synopsys ICC2, Design Compiler, PrimeTime, Star RC, IC Validator, Cadence Virtuoso, Encounter, Calibre, ModelSim, Innovus, Redhawk

Physical Design Processes: Floorplan, Power Plan, Placement, Routing, CTS, STA, DRC/LVS, ECO, UPF, RC Extraction, DFT, SDC/Timing Constraint

WORK EXPERIENCE

Honorex Technologies, Washington, USA

05/2024 - Present

Physical Design Engineer for Marvell Semiconductor

- Contributed to the Place and Route (PnR) flow for AI accelerators and high-performance processors targeting 3nm and 5nm nodes, optimizing for timing, power, and area (PPA) across multiple process corners. The designs involved over 8M+ standard cells and 50+ macros, targeting frequencies of 3.2 GHz and above.
- Performed **Static Timing Analysis (STA)** for complex designs, identifying and resolving **timing violations** to ensure that **clock frequencies** met **performance** and **power** requirements for Marvell's **custom processors**.
- Developed and optimized TCL scripts to automate key tasks in the PnR and STA processes, reducing iteration cycles
 and increasing design efficiency, while maintaining high accuracy in Design Rule Checks (DRC) and Layout Versus
 Schematic (LVS).
- Collaborated with **cross-functional teams** in **design**, **verification**, and **manufacturing** to ensure design integrity and achieve **timing closure**, contributing to the successful **tape-out** of advanced **AI** and **data center processors**.
- Utilized industry-standard **EDA tools** to address design challenges, including **IR-drop** and **crosstalk** issues, and ensured that the **design integrity** was maintained at sign-off, focusing on **robust performance** across varying operating conditions.

Design Automation LAB, IIT, Chicago, USA

08/2023 - 12/2023

- Research Assistant
- Worked under the guidance of Dr. Ken Choi, Professor at the ECE Department, IIT Chicago, to execute the RTL to
 GDSII flow for 14nm/28nm TSMC nodes on a JBI processor, using industry-standard EDA tools to ensure design
 integrity while optimizing timing and robustness across MMMC and RC corners.
- Developed a tailored methodology to minimize **shorts** post-floorplan and **power grid design**, improving **IR-drop resilience** and significantly enhancing the overall **Quality of Results (QOR)** for the design.

ChipEdge Technology, Bengaluru, India

10/2022 - 07/2023

- Physical Design Apprenticeship
- Managed physical design phases including Logic Synthesis, Floorplan, Placement, CTS, Routing, and Optimization
 to meet Power, Performance, and Area (PPA) targets across 14nm, 22nm, 32nm, and 45nm nodes using TSMC
 FinFET/CMOS technology.
- Resolved **STA violations** for designs up to **5M cells** and **80+ macros**, ensuring compliance with **timing** and **power** requirements through **thorough analysis** and **optimization**.
- Achieved successful GDSII tape-outs by addressing DRC, LVS, ERC, IREM, and Logic Equivalence (LEC) issues, leveraging Shell scripting and TCL methodology for ECO cycles, manual debugging, and automation.

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

OpenSPARC T1 Block Level design from RTL to GDSII using 14nm and 28nm TSMC nodes | DC | ICC2

02/2023

- 75% core-area utilization and density sweeps were used to understand congestion and routability behavior.
- Optimized design using insertion and size cell techniques to eliminate DRVs like Caps and Trans.