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PROJECT 1 REPORT FIDUCCIA-MATTHEYSES ALGORITHM

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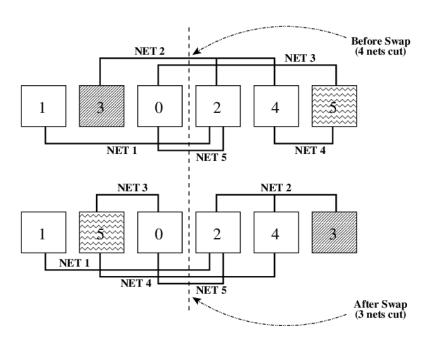
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Introduction:

A chip may contain several million transistors. Due to the limitations of memory space and computation power available it may not be possible to layout the entire chip (or generically speaking any large circuit) in the same step. Therefore, the chip (circuit) is normally partitioned into sub-chips (sub-circuits). These sub-partitions are called blocks. The actual partitioning process considers many factors such as the size of the blocks, number of blocks, and number of interconnections between the blocks. The output of partitioning is a set of blocks and the interconnections required between blocks. In large circuits, the partitioning process is hierarchical and at the topmost level a chip may have 5 to 25 blocks. Each block is then partitioned recursively into smaller blocks.

Partitions can be done at different levels like Board Level or System Level depending upon the need and requirement. It is one of the major factors which plays an important role in the cost of manufacturing the device and thus we try to minimize it. Different algorithms are been used to reduce the partition size like Kernnighan-Lin etc. All did a brilliant job, but every algorithm has drawbacks, leading to the evolution of more optimized and better algorithms. One such optimized algorithm is Fiduccia-Mattheyses.

Fiduccia-Mattheyses algorithm (FM algorithm hereafter) is another heuristic partitioning algorithm which generalizes the concept of swapping of nodes introduced in the KL algorithm. To contrast FM algorithm with KL algorithm, FM algorithm is designed to work on hypergraphs and instead of swapping a pair of nodes as was happening in KL algorithm, FM algorithm swaps a single node in each iteration. The basic essence of FM algorithm is the same as KL algorithm – we define gains for each vertex of the (hyper)graph, select one node according to some criterion, remove it from its present partition and put it to the other partition, lock that vertex, update gains of all other unlocked vertices and iterate these steps until we reach a local optimum configuration. The tool hMETIS implements an augmented version of FM algorithm (please refer to Existing tools for Graph Partitioning section).



Related Work:

From the paper "Gatti, A., Hu, Z., Smidt, T., Ng, E. G., & Ghysels, P. (2022). Deep Learning and Spectral Embedding for Graph Partitioning. In *Proceedings of the 2022 SIAM Conference on Parallel Processing for Scientific Computing* (pp. 25-36). Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics." [1] Popular and widely used graph partitioning codes are METIS and Scotch. Both packages also have distributed memory implementations: ParMETIS and PTScotch, and METIS recently also gained a multithreaded variant called mt-METIS. Both METIS and Scotch use a multilevel graph partitioning framework, where the graph is first partitioned on a coarser representation (recursively)and the partitioning is then interpolated back and re-fined. Many heuristics can be used for the coarse level partitioning and the refinement. Popular choices are for instance Fiduccia-Mattheyses and Kernighan-Lin, diffusion, Gibbs-Poole Stockmeyer, greedy graph growing, etc. Spectral methods make use of global information of the graph, while combinatorial algorithms like Kernighan-Lin and Fiduccia-Mattheyses rely on local node connectivity information. Spectral methods have the advantage that they can be implemented efficiently on high performance computing hardware with graphics accelerators.

From the paper "Sheblaev, M. V., & Sheblaeva, A. S. (2018). A method of improving initial partition of fiduccia—mattheyses algorithm. Lobachevskii Journal of Mathematics, 39(9), 1270-1276." [2] The authors presented a method of initial data generation for Fiduccia—Mattheyses algorithm, which reduces initial dataset with to sparced new one. It allows to find balanced graph or hypergraph partitions with better quality than known approaches and often achives best known solutions on benchmarks set new method is better than randomly generated initial partitions.

From the paper "Song, H. J., & Kim, H. G. (2021). A Study of Adapted Genetic Algorithm for Circuit Partitioning. The Journal of the Korea Contents Association, 21(7), 164-170." [3] The authors proposed a solution space search method that combines a genetic algorithm and a probability evolution algorithm for circuit division that minimizes the interconnection wiring between the central circuits in the physical design process of VLSI. The analysis was compared with the genetic algorithm (GA) and simulated annealing (SA) methods; where Algorithms for obtaining an optimal solution in a circuit division problem include the Kernighan-Lin algorithm, Fiducia Mattheyses heuristic, and simulated annealing.

Proposed Solutions and Implementations Issues:

Proposed Solution:

The proposed solution utilizes the FM algorithm to partition VLSI circuits, aiming to minimize the cut size and optimize the balance between partitions.

The primary problem being addressed is VLSI circuit partitioning, where the goal is to divide a set of cells into two partitions, labeled as A and B. The objective is to minimize the number of interconnections (nets) crossing between the two partitions.

1. Global Variables:

- Key parameters, such as the sizes of partitions A and B (sizeA and sizeB), cut set variables, and various tracking variables (temp_index, locked_cell_index, etc.), are initialized as global variables.
- 2. Buckets: Here to replace the traditional linkedlist based buckets present in the original paper, we use a key-value based python dictionary to store the gain values as well as to store the cell maps and net maps.

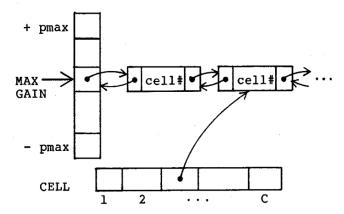
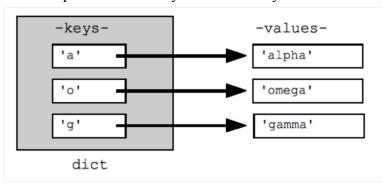


Figure 2. Bucket list structure

Visual Representation of Python Dictionary:



3. Data Representation: Classes Cell and Net

- The code defines two classes:
 - Cell: Represents an individual cell with attributes such as ID, size, gain, partition assignment, lock status, and a set of connected nets.
 - Net: Represents a net with an ID, a list of cells connected to it, and sizes of partitions A and B.

4. Functions for Data Generation:

- generate_cell_list(path): Parses a file containing cell information (*.are file) to generate a dictionary of cells (cell_map).
- generate_net_list(path): Parses a file containing net information (*.net file) to generate a dictionary of nets (net map).

5. Initial Partitioning: initial partitions()

- Randomly assigns cells to partitions A or B, considering size constraints to ensure a balanced initial partitioning.
- Handles cases where swapping partitions could help achieve better balance.

6. Core FM Algorithm: fiducciaMathAlgo()

- The core of the proposed approach revolves around the FM algorithm, which employs an iterative process to enhance the partitioning in order to minimize the cut size.
- Utilizes gain buckets to efficiently identify cells with high gains.
- Employs balancing checks (isbalanced()) and updates gains accordingly.

7. Update Strategies: update buckets, update gains

- update buckets(curr cell, prev gain): Adjusts gain buckets after a cell's gain is updated.
- update_gains(target_cell): Updates gains for cells connected to the target cell after a move.

8. Main Execution:

Iterations over a set of benchmark datasets and performs the following steps for each dataset:

- Reads the circuit information from input files (.are and .net files).
- Initializes cell and net maps.
- Executes the FM algorithm (fiducciaMathAlgo) to find the best cut.
- Prints the results, including the best cut size and execution time.

9. Benchmark Datasets:

 The code demonstrates the algorithm's performance on a predefined set of benchmark datasets (datasets), representing different VLSI circuits.

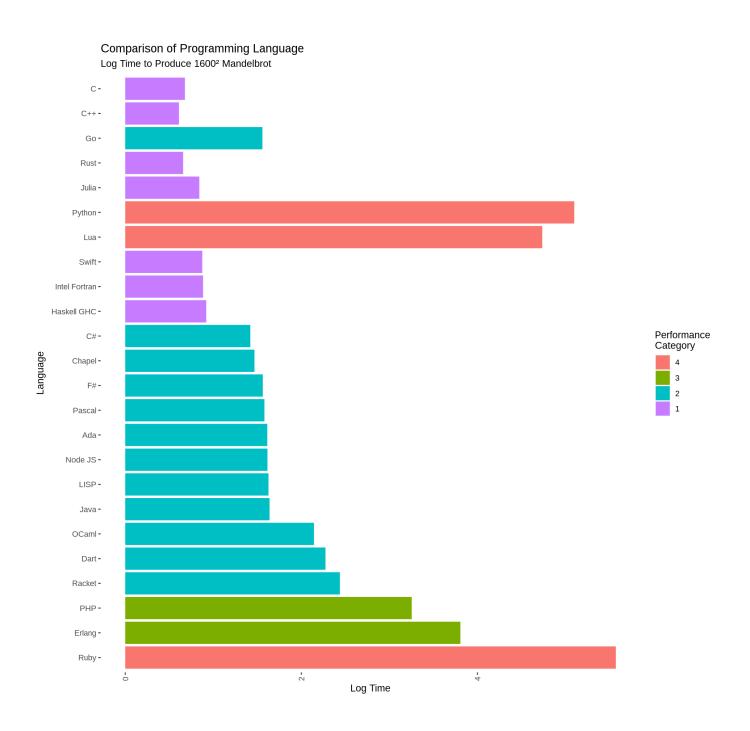
10. Output and Timing Information:

• The code prints information about the benchmark being processed, the start and end times of the execution, the best cut size found, and the total execution time.

Issues with Implementations:

After fetching results, we find out that for larger netlists, Python Programming language becomes slow. Due to its interpreted nature python is slow for larger circuits. A low level language like C would be the better choice here for getting the faster results. Still Python was preferred because of its ability to interpret results and use its vast library functions to generate graphs and its ease of use

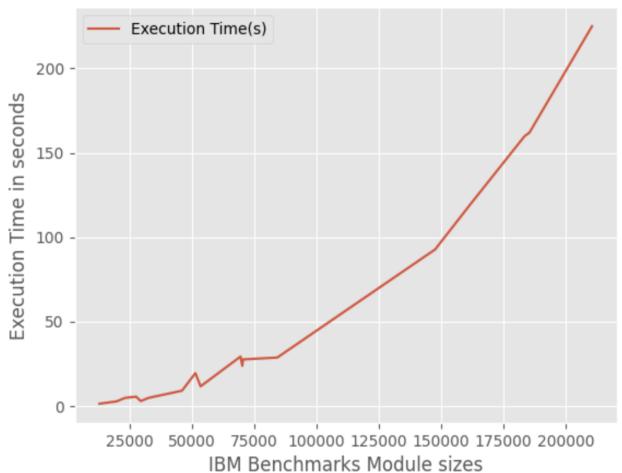
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Experimental Results

We benchmark the algorithm using various ibm netlists in the ISPD 98 benchmark suite which is the standard VLSI benchmark data. While running the benchmark we realized that as the number of modules keep increasing, the execution time also starts increasing manyfolds. Hence smaller netlist like ibm1 and ibm2 were partitioned in less than 2 seconds whereas for bigger netlist like ibm18 it took more than 3 minutes

Execution Time vs Number of Modules



Code Output:

PROBLEMS 6 OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL PORTS

o aniketsingh@Anikets-MacBook-Air FiducciaMattheyses % pythor

[INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm01

[INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:20.837588

[INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 9191

[INFO] BEST CUT: 3430

[INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:22.126159

[INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:01.288571

[INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm02

[INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:22.126194

[INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 13374

[INFO] BEST CUT: 5151

[INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:24.767241

[INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:02.641047

[INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm03

[INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:24.767265

[INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 17318

[INFO] BEST CUT: 7550

[INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:29.521487

[INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:04.754222

[INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm04

[INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:29.521571

[INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 20780

[INFO] BEST CUT: 8200

[INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:34.986814

[INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:05.465243

- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm05
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:34.986839
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 18999
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 7191
- [INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:37.843578
- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:02.856739
- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm06
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:37.843604
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 22959
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 8739
- [INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:42.587785
- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:04.744181
- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm07
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:42.587827
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 32010
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 12176
- [INFO] ENDTIME : 2024-03-04 15:14:51.556264
- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:08.968437
- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm08
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:14:51.556352
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 33725
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 12544
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- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:19.439405

- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm09
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:15:10.995838
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 40214
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 16367
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- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:11.574489
- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm10
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:15:22.570425
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 50800
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 20154
- [INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:15:51.808181
- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:29.237756
- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm11
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:15:51.808264
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 54150
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 20792
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- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:16:15.561363
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- [INFO] BEST CUT: 22316
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- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:00:27.547553

- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm13
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:16:43.109013
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 66268
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 27408
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- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm14
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:17:11.765078
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 101654
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 36483
- [INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:18:44.507733
- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:01:32.742655
- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm15
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:18:44.507843
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 125755
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 51656
- [INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:20:43.652111
- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:01:59.144268
- [INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm16
- [INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:20:43.652203
- [INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 129797
- [INFO] BEST CUT: 50227
- [INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:23:23.445054
- [INFO] Total Execution: 0:02:39.792851

[INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm17

[INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:23:23.445152

[INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 131746

[INFO] BEST CUT: 56903

[INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:26:05.519512

[INFO] Total Execution: 0:02:42.074360

[INFO] Current Benchmark: ibm18

[INFO] STARTTIME: 2024-03-04 15:26:05.519613

[INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE: 139301

[INFO] BEST CUT: 46054

[INFO] ENDTIME: 2024-03-04 15:29:40.799027

[INFO] Total Execution: 0:03:35.279414

Conclusion

The above algorithm has been coded in python3. Its performance was evaluated by using it to partition all the current benchmarks present on:

https://vlsicad.ucsd.edu/UCLAWeb/cheese/ispd98.html#Benchmark%20File%20Format

In conclusion, the benefits of the heuristics of the Fiduccia-Mattheyses algorithms are observed when the size of the circuit is huge. It was also observed that with increasing size of the number of modules, the time it takes to find better cut sizes goes up significantly. Optimizations in the implementations can lead to even better performance in terms of execution time and memory. Also using a more system friendly programming language like c++ could further improve the results.

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Appendix

You can also refer the code on Aniket's githhub: https://github.com/Bruces1998/FM_algorithm

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Code:
##### IMPORTS ######
import random
import datetime
import pickle as pl
import os
#### GLOBAL VARIABLES ####
sizeA = 0
sizeB = 0
sizeA_minimum_cut = 0
sizeB_minimum_cut = 0
cutset = 0
new cutset = 0
temp\_index = 0
locked cell index = 0
minimum_cut = 0
startcut = 0
old_partition = 0
locked cells = []
gain_bucket = {}
max_gain_index = None # index for gainA
best_cut_array = []
best_cut = float("inf")
best_copies_cell_map = []
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cell map = \{\}
net_map = \{\}
class Cell:
  def init (self, id):
     self.id = id
     self.cell size = 0
     self.F = 0
     self.T = 0
     self.cell gain = 0
     self.lock status = 0 # 1=locked, 0=unlocked
     self.cell type = ""
     self.cell partition = 0 \# A = 0, B = -1
     self.net list = set()
     self.cell\_size = 0
class Net:
  def init (self, id):
     self.id = id
     self.cell list = []
     self.cutstate = 0 \# 0 = \text{uncut}, -1 = \text{cut}
     self.Asize = 0
     self.Bsize = 0
def get cut size(cell list, net list):
 cut size = 0
 first partition = None
 for net in net_list:
  toggle = 0
  for cell in net list[net].cell list:
    if toggle == 0:
     first partition = cell list[cell].cell partition
     toggle = 1
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else:
    if cell_list[cell].cell_partition != first_partition:
      cut size += 1
      break
 return cut_size
def generate_cell_list(path):
 Cell list = \{\}
 with open(path) as file:
  file data = file.readlines()
  for i, cell_data in enumerate(file_data):
   cell_data = cell_data.split(" ")
   cell_id = cell_data[0]
   new_cell = Cell(cell_id)
   new cell.cell size = int(cell data[1])
   Cell_list[new_cell.id] = new_cell
 return Cell list
def generate net list(path):
 Net_list = \{\}
 net id = 0
 i = 5
global cell_map
 with open(path) as file:
  file_data = file.readlines()
  length = len(file data)
  while i < length:
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net id += 1
   new net = Net(net id)
   cell_id = file_data[i].split(" ")[0]
   new_net.cell_list.append(cell_id)
   cell map[cell id].net list.add(net id)
   if cell map[cell id].cell partition == 0:
      new net.Asize += 1
   else:
      new net.Bsize += 1
   i+=1
   while (i < length and (file data[i].split(" ")[1] != "s")):
    cell id = file data[i].split(" ")[0]
    new_net.cell_list.append(cell_id)
    cell map[cell id].net list.add(net id)
    if cell_map[cell_id].cell_partition == 0:
       new net.Asize += 1
    else:
       new net.Bsize += 1
    i+=1
   Net list[net id] = new net
 return Net list
definitial partitions():
 global cell map, sizeA, sizeB
 for node in cell_map:
  partition = random.choice([0, -1])
  if partition == 0:
    if sizeB + cell map[node].cell size - sizeA \leq int(len(cell map) * (0.1)):
       partition = ~partition
       sizeB += cell map[node].cell size
  elif partition == -1:
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```
if size A + cell map[node].cell size - size <math>B \le int(len(cell map) * (0.1)):
       partition = ~partition
       sizeA += cell map[node].cell size
  cell map[node].cell partition = partition
  cell map[node].lock status = 0
def isbalanced(target cell):
  global sizeA, sizeB, cell map
  temp sizeA = sizeA
  temp sizeB = sizeB
  if cell map[target cell].cell partition == 0:
    temp sizeA -= cell map[target cell].cell size
    temp sizeB += cell map[target cell].cell size
  elif cell map[target cell].cell partition == -1:
    temp sizeA += cell map[target cell].cell size
    temp sizeB -= cell map[target cell].cell size
  if abs(temp sizeA - temp sizeB) \le int(len(cell map) * (0.1)):
    sizeA = temp sizeA
    sizeB = temp sizeB
    return True
  else:
    return False
def update buckets(curr cell, prev gain):
  global gain bucket
  new_gain = cell_map[curr_cell].cell_gain
  gain bucket[prev gain].remove(curr cell)
  if not gain_bucket[prev_gain]:
    del gain bucket[prev gain]
  gain bucket.setdefault(new gain, []).append(curr cell)
def update gains(target cell):
  global old partition, gain bucket
  for curr net in cell map[target cell].net list:
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if old partition == 0:
       cell map[target cell].F = net map[curr net].Asize
       cell map[target cell].T = net map[curr net].Bsize
    elif old partition == -1:
       cell map[target cell].F = net map[curr net].Bsize
       cell map[target cell].T = net map[curr net].Asize
    if cell map[target cell].T == 0:
       for curr cell in net map[curr net].cell list:
          if not cell map[curr cell].lock status:
            prev gain = cell map[curr cell].cell gain
            cell map[curr cell].cell gain += 1
            update buckets(curr cell, prev gain)
    elif cell map[target cell].T == 1:
       for curr cell in net map[curr net].cell list:
          if cell map[target cell].cell partition == cell map[curr cell].cell partition:
            if not cell map[curr cell].lock status:
               prev gain = cell map[curr cell].cell gain
               cell map[curr cell].cell gain -= 1
               update buckets(curr cell, prev gain)
              break
    cell map[target cell].F -= 1
    cell map[target cell].T += 1
    if old partition == -1:
       net map[curr net]. Asize = cell map[target cell]. T
       net map[curr net].Bsize = cell map[target cell].F
    elif old partition == 0:
       net map[curr net].Bsize = cell map[target cell].T
       net map[curr net].Asize = cell map[target cell].F
def fiducciaMathAlgo():
  global best cut, sizeA, sizeB, cutset, minimum cut, startcut, old partition, locked cells, gain bucket,
max gain index, sizeA minimum cut, sizeB minimum cut, locked cell index
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```
passes = 1
cutset = get cut size(cell map, net map)
startcut = cutset
minimum cut = cutset
best cut = float("inf")
print("[INFO] INITIAL CUT SIZE:", cutset)
for pass num in range(1, passes + 1):
  if pass num > 1:
     cutset = minimum cut
    sizeA = sizeA minimum cut
    sizeB = sizeB_minimum cut
     for i in range(len(locked cells)):
       curr cell = locked cells[i]
       cell map[curr cell].lock status = 0
       if locked cell index <= i:
         cell map[curr cell].cell partition = ~cell map[curr cell].cell partition
  gain bucket.clear()
  for curr cell in cell map:
     cell map[curr cell].cell gain = 0
     for curr net in cell map[curr cell].net list:
       if cell map[curr cell].cell partition == 0:
         cell map[curr cell].F = net map[curr net].Asize
         cell map[curr cell].T = net map[curr net].Bsize
       elif cell map[curr cell].cell partition == -1:
         cell map[curr cell].F = net map[curr net].Bsize
         cell map[curr cell].T = net map[curr net].Asize
       if cell map[curr cell].F == 1:
         cell map[curr cell].cell gain += 1
       if cell map[curr cell].T == 0:
         cell map[curr cell].cell gain -= 1
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gain bucket.setdefault(cell map[curr cell].cell gain, []).append(curr cell)
locked cells.clear()
max gain index = max(gain bucket.keys())
while True:
  toggle = True
  if not gain bucket:
    break
  else:
    target cell = gain bucket[max gain index][-1]
    temp index = 0
  while toggle and not isbalanced(target cell):
    if target cell == gain bucket[max gain index][0]:
       if max gain index == min(gain bucket):
         break
       \max gain index = \max gain index - 1
       while max gain index > min(gain bucket.keys()) and gain bucket.get(max gain index) is None:
         max gain index -= 1
       temp index = 0
       toggle = False
       continue
    temp index = temp index + 1
    target cell = gain bucket[max gain index][-1 - temp index]
  if not toggle:
   continue
  cell map[target cell].lock status = 1
  locked cells.append(target cell)
  new cutset = cutset - cell map[target cell].cell gain
  gain bucket[max gain index].remove(target cell)
  if not gain bucket[max gain index]:
    del gain bucket[max gain index]
  cutset = new cutset
  old partition = cell map[target cell].cell partition
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cell map[target cell].cell partition = ~cell map[target cell].cell partition
       update gains(target cell)
       if 0 < new cutset <= minimum cut:
         minimum_cut = new_cutset
         sizeA minimum cut = sizeA
         sizeB minimum cut = sizeB
         locked cell index = len(locked cells)
       if gain bucket:
         max gain index = max(gain bucket.keys())
    # current cut = get cut size(cell map, net map)
    if minimum cut < best cut:
      best cut = minimum cut
    else:
      break
  return best cut
if __name__ == "__main__":
  datasets = [
    "ibm01", "ibm02", "ibm03", "ibm04", "ibm05", "ibm06",
    "ibm07", "ibm08", "ibm09", "ibm10", "ibm11", "ibm12",
    "ibm13", "ibm14", "ibm15", "ibm16", "ibm17", "ibm18",
  ]
  current directory = os.getcwd()
  for ibm file in datasets:
    print("[INFO] Current Benchmark:", ibm file)
    startime = datetime.datetime.now()
    print("[INFO] STARTTIME:", startime)
    cell map = generate cell list(current directory+'/dataset/'+ibm file+'.are')
    initial partitions()
    net map = generate net list(current directory+'/dataset/'+ibm file+'.net')
    best cut = fiducciaMathAlgo()
```

```
print("[INFO] BEST CUT:", best_cut)
endtime = datetime.datetime.now()
print("[INFO] ENDTIME : ", endtime)
print("[INFO] Total Execution: ", endtime - startime)
print("\n")
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