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EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering / Advisor: Prof. Jennifer O. Hasler

Thesis: *Neuromorphic Approaches for Asynchronous Computing and Sensing*

Atlanta, Georgia | May 2024

GPA: 3.87

Purdue University, Honors College

Triple Major: BS Electrical Engineering, BS Applied Physics, & BS Mathematics

West Lafayette, IN | May 2022

GPA: 3.96 (Highest Distinction)

RELEVANT HARDWARE SKILLS

- Mixed-Signal Design & Layout (28 nm, 180 nm, 350 nm)
- EEPROM (FG) Design, Programming, & Characterization
- Automated Test & Measurement (Analog Post-Si Verification)
- PCB Schematic Design and Layout (IPC Class II)
- FPGA | Signal Proc. | Semiconductors | Circuit Macromodels

RELEVANT SOFTWARE SKILLS

- Cadence Virtuoso
- Cadence Spectre & Spice
- Matlab, Python, & C (Console & Ebed)
- Altium Designer & KiCad
- Linux Environments

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE [KEY: ● => Hardware | ○ => Software | ❖ => Administrative]

Graduate Research Fellow, Integrated Computational Electronics Lab, Georgia Tech (Current) Since Aug. 2022

- Designed, laid out, and **taped out two chips** using floating-gate (FG) FETs in 28 nm and 180 nm CMOS;
- Ensured robust performance of the following **analog standard cells** across process nodes: 6-bit DAC, FG-based mixer, FG bootstrap source, I&F neurons, strong ARM latch, and high-voltage decoders for FG programming.
- **Characterized cryogenic FG FETs** and developed robust FG FET programming methods in 65 nm CMOS.
- Led a team demonstrating the first **analog sorting algorithm** (award-winning talk at IEEE ICRC 2023).
- Developed a **nonuniform ADC** leveraging extrema sampling for data reduction given a non-stationary input.
- Invented and demonstrated the simplest non-driven **chaotic CMOS oscillator** (a 6T FG-based I&F neuron).
- Led a team developing the first efficient C, Matlab, & Python models of transistor-based HH neuron networks.
- Led a team developing a fast simulation suite in Python for large-scale **analog architectural exploration**.

Embedded Design Engineer, Lune Systems, Atlanta, GA

(Current) Since Oct. 2023

- Led **PCB design & testing** of a cost-effective smart insomnia aid, focused on optimal, user-centric performance.
- Conducted in-depth customer discovery to define **product specifications** as tailored to market needs & trends.
- Engineered robust embedded firmware to enhance the performance and the user interface of the aid.
- ❖ Played a pivotal role in securing \$20K in seed funding by articulating the value proposition of the sleep aid.

Hardware Design Engineer, Neurava LLC, West Lafayette, IN

May 2021 – July 2022

- Led a team of five in creating a **seizure sensor array (SSA)** for SUDEP-risk patients from concept through initial clinical trials overseeing: biomarker & sensor selection; data pipeline; PCB design, layout, fabrication, & testing.
- ❖ Conducted the initial patent search and cowrote the **patent** application for the multi-modal SSA. The SSA, which has undergone clinical testing since 2022, achieved the **lowest-known false positive rate** in the industry while maintaining state-of-the-art sensitivity, directly contributing towards securing **\$3M** in seed funding for Neurava LLC.
- Developed embedded SSA firmware (DSP & controls) for real-time, low-power **mixed-signal edge computing**.
- Proposed, developed, & implemented **automated characterization protocols** to ensure SSA *reliability*.

Undergraduate Researcher, Center for Implantable Devices, Purdue University

Jan. 2021 – May 2021

- Designed, simulated, and characterized a high-order filter for a novel implantable gastric monitoring sensor.

Undergraduate Researcher, Computational Electronic Systems Lab, West Virginia Univ.

June 2014 – June 2022

- Developed a quadrature, **OTA-C sine VCO** with the widest reported tuning range via a novel **envelope detector**.
- Designed a low-power in-sole **gait analyzer** to study the progression of Parkinson's Disease in a nonclinical setting.
- Developed **analog ML** algorithms to train an acoustic vehicle classifier on a field-programmable analog array.
- Developed **mixed-integer nonlinear programming algorithms** to optimize starved logic gate and ADC topologies.

PATENTS / JOURNALS / CONFERENCES / POSTERS (Google Scholar: <https://tinyurl.com/vc66j52v>)

Patents	1	<i>Bhattacharyya S</i> , Ganesh V, Hsiung Y, Meyer T, & Shah J, "Multi-Modal Seizure Sensor Array," Provisional filed in March, 2022; Full patent filed in March, 2023.
Journals	1	<i>Bhattacharyya S</i> & Hasler J, " Extrema-Triggered Conversion for Non-Stationary Signal Acquisition in Wireless Sensor Nodes ," JLPEA, vol. 14, no. 1, February, 2024
	2	<i>Bhattacharyya S</i> , Ayyappan PR, & Hasler J, " Towards Scalable Digital Modeling of Networks of Biorealistic Silicon Neurons ," IEEE JETCAS, vol. 13, no. 4, pp. 927-939, December, 2023

	3	Bhattacharyya S & Graham DW, "Amplitude-Regulated Quadrature Sine-VCO Employing an OTA-C Topology," IEEE Transactions on Circuits & Systems II: Express Briefs, vol. 70, no. 6, pp. 1886-1890, June 2023
	4	Bhattacharyya S, Andryczik S, & Graham DW, "An Acoustic Vehicle Detector & Classifier Using a Reconfigurable Analog/Mixed-Signal Platform," JLPEA, vol. 10, no. 1, Article 6, March-April, 2020
	1	Mathews P, Ayyappan PR, Ige A, Bhattacharyya S , Yang L, & Hasler J, "A 65nm and 130nm CMOS program-mable analog standard cell library for scalable system synthesis," IEEE CICC, Denver, CO, Apr 21-24, 2024
	2	Bhattacharyya S , Yang L, & Hasler J, " BuzzSort: A Linear-Time, Event-Driven Data Conversion and Sorting Framework for Approximate Computing Architectures ," IEEE ICRC, San Diego, CA, Dec 5-6, 2023
Conferences (Oral Talks)	3	Bhattacharyya S & Hasler J, " Extrema-Triggered Analog-Digital Conversion for Low-Power Wireless Sensor Nodes ," IEEE MWSCAS, Tempe, AZ, Aug 6-9, 2023
	4	Bhattacharyya S , Mathews P, Ayyappan PR, & Hasler J, " Toward Biorealistic Silicon Neural Circuits on Reconfigurable Platforms ," IEEE MWSCAS, Tempe, AZ, Aug 6-9, 2023
Posters (Selected)	1	Meyer T, Bhattacharyya S , Lehman P, Ganesh V, Ta J, Lowen K, Dragon D, Sainju R, Gehlbach B, Shah J, Nobis W, & Richerson G, "A Novel Multi-Modal Arm Wearable for Seizure Detection," AES Conf., Orlando, FL, Dec 1-5, 2023
	2	Rumple M, Bhattacharyya S , Hagedorn I, and Ghera Z, "RevEx: Low-Power, Nonoptical VR Limb Tracking with Eddy-Current Haptics," Purdue Spark Challenge, West Lafayette, IN, Dec 10, 2020
	3	Prakash M, Szadowski H, Thompson M, Dextre A, Chan M, Lee J, Bhattacharyya S , Ravichandran K, Saylor D, & Howard B, "Microfluidic Argonaute Mediated COVID-19 Diagnostic Device," Fall Research Expo, West Lafayette, IN, Nov 16-20, 2020

HONORS & AWARDS (Selected)

IEEE International Conference on Rebooting Computing (ICRC) Best Short Paper Award	2023
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (nationwide acceptance rate: 16%)	2022
Georgia Institute of Technology Presidential Fellowship (Georgia Tech's most prestigious graduate fellowship)	2022
Purdue Mathematics Department Gordon L. Walker Scholarship	2021
Purdue Physics and Astronomy Department Scholarship	2021
1 st place in the Purdue Japanese Student Association Japanese Speech and Skit Competition (1 st year)	2019
Purdue Trustees Scholarship [*] Selected as one of two WV delegates to the 2018 National Youth Science Camp	2018
2 nd place in Embedded Systems at Intel ISEF – honored with a minor planet in my name: 34619 Swagat	2018

LEADERSHIP & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<i>President, Purdue IEEE Student Branch</i>	2020-21
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oversaw operations and bylaw compliance of 11 committees with ~200 members in total. Spearheaded outreach events & initiated several intra- and inter-student branch collabs. 	
<i>Vice President, Purdue IEEE Student Branch</i>	2019-20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oversaw operations of six technical committees, managed shared resources, improved workspace safety and compliance with protocol, & resolved inter-committee conflicts. 	
<i>Electrical Design & Fabrication Lead, Purdue IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society</i>	2019-20, 21-22
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taught 20 team members skills to design, prototype, and fabricate circuits during my tenure. Designed and constructed a navigational aid for the visually impaired. Designed and constructed the electronic controls systems for an exoskeletal assistive arm. 	

SERVICE (Selected)

I. Peer Review

Journal Name	Number of Reviews
IEEE Journal on Emerging and Selected Topics in Circuits and Systems (JETCAS)	1
IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Circuits and Systems (TBioCAS)	2
IEEE Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems (MWSCAS)	2

II. Community Outreach (Selected)

<i>Electrical Engineering Outreach Seminar</i>	Apr. 13, 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Helped organized & host a seminar with NSBE where IEEE gave an overview of an education and career in electrical engineering to Black high schoolers; Created an interactive demo. 	
<i>Halloween Toy Workshop</i>	Oct. 20, 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed, coordinated, & executed a workshop where Purdue IEEE built toys proposed by elementary school children from rural Boswell, IN to demonstrate the engineering process. 	

MISCELLANEOUS

Languages: English (Native), Bengali (Native), Hindi (Advanced), Japanese (Basic)

Music: Hindustani Classical Vocal Music, Violin, Bamboo Flute

Sports: Taekwondo (2nd degree Black Belt), Tennis, Soccer