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TERO PUF Implementation on Xilinx Artix7 FPGA

PROJECT REPORT FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS COURSE

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Abstract: Physical Unclonable Functions (PUFs) are becoming important in recent years for various purposes such as Device Identification, True Random Number Generators, Cryptographic Key Generators, IP Protection. Different ways of realizing PUFs have been proposed in literature, exploiting process variations occurring inside chips. Among them, some can be efficiently implemented in FPGAs: in our project, after analyzing the state of the art, we chose to implement a Transient Effect Ring Oscillator (TERO) PUF. TERO PUF offers high resistance to surrounding logic influence and temperature changes, providing at the same time high uniqueness and reliability. As target, we chose Basys3 boards from Digilent, shipped with Xilinx Artix7 XC7-A35T.

1. Introduction

A wide variety of Physical Unclonable Functions have been proposed in literature, exploiting a very wide range of random and unpredictable properties of electronic chips to generate unique and reliable responses required by specific application like chip Identification, cryptographic key generation, logic obfuscation and IP protection. Among the ones which are suitable to be implemented on FPGA, Transient Effect Ring Oscillator (TERO) PUFs have been proved to have very good properties in terms of uniqueness, reliability and resistance to environmental changes.

In [1] by A.Wild et al., an in-depth analysis of RO, Loop and TERO PUFs has been performed comparing the responses coming from 100 Basys3 boards on which 1280 PUFs were implemented.

Our project consists in a further analysis of the data acquired by the authors of the paper, followed by a SystemVerilog implementation of the TERO PUF for device identification purposes, targeting both Basys3 and CmodA7-35t boards (both mounting XC7-A35T FPGA), tested at 100Mhz.

In order to design and test the PUF modules Xilinx Vivado 2020.2 was used. The analysis of the PUF responses and the generation of the IDs has been performed through some dedicated Python scripts and jupyter notebooks.

2. Design

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4. Results and Conclusion

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5. Introduction

This document is intended to be both an example of the Polimi L^AT_EX template for Master Theses in article format, as well as a short introduction to its use. It is not intended to be a general introduction to L^AT_EX itself, and the reader is assumed to be familiar with the basics of creating and compiling L^AT_EX documents (see [? ?]).

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6. Equations

This section gives some examples of writing mathematical equations in your thesis.

Maxwell's equations read:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{J}. \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} (1a) \\ (1b) \\ (1c) \\ (1d) \end{array}$$

Equation (1) is automatically labeled by `cleveref`, as well as Equation (1a) and Equation (1c). Thanks to the `cleveref` package, there is no need to use `\eqref`. Equations have to be numbered only if they are referenced in the text.

Equations (2), (3), (4), and (5) show again Maxwell's equations without brace:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho, \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, \quad (4)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{J}. \quad (5)$$

Equation (6) is the same as before, but with just one label:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{J}. \end{array} \right. \quad (6)$$

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7.1. Figures

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7.3. Algorithms

Pseudo-algorithms can be written in L^AT_EX with the `algorithm` and `algorithmic` packages. An example is shown in Algorithm 1.

Algorithm 1 Name of the Algorithm

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1: Initial instructions
2: for for – condition do
3:   Some instructions
4:   if if – condition then
5:     Some other instructions
6:   end if
7: end for
8: while while – condition do
9:   Some further instructions
10: end while
11: Final instructions

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8. Some further useful suggestions

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B. Appendix B

It may be necessary to include another appendix to better organize the presentation of supplementary material.

Abstract in lingua italiana

Qui va l'Abstract in lingua italiana della tesi seguito dalla lista di parole chiave.

Parole chiave: qui, le parole chiave, della tesi, in italiano

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