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### **EDUCATION**

2015 - Now Dual Degree (B.Tech + M.Tech) in Electrical Engineering

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai, India

Master's Specialization: Microelectronics

**GPA** 8.4/10.0

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

May'19-Now

Injection Locked Ring Oscillator (ILRO) for 5G Receivers

Advisor

Prof. Maryam Shojaei Baghini, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Background

The aim of the project was to design, fabricate and test a completely on-chip multiphase oscillator for N-Path filters. The design targeted low phase noise with low power and area. An Injection Locked Ring VCO, locked using a on-chip LC oscillator is used to generate 8 phase clock.

Description

- Designed a 4 stage Ring Oscillator with tuning range 0.9-2.8 GHz using sub feedback loops for increasing tuning range and improving phase noise performance.
- Improved the phase noise performance of the Ring Oscillator by injection locking with a current reuse PMOS-NMOS LC Oscillator using inductance of the bondwire in the LC tank.
- Modelled the bondwire in HFSS and verified obtained results against JEDEC bondwire models.
- The designed circuit taped-out in UMC 65nm Low Leakage (UMC65-LL) technology node; currently in fabrication stage. (Layout Picture)

**Future Work** 

- Developing mathematical model for ILRO to get expression for Phase Noise and locking range.
- Testing and measurement of the die on probe station.
- Writing a paper, to be submited for publication after completion of measurement.

May'17-May'18

**Receiver for IRNSS** 

Advisors

Prof. Shalabh Gupta, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Prof. Rajesh Zele, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Background

Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System (IRNSS also named as **NavIC**) is navigation satellite constellation consisting of 7 satellites, completed in April 2016 - **ISRO**. The aim was to build a receiver for IRNSS as first step towards implementing NavIC for civil and military applications.

RF Frontend

- Designed, fabricated and successfully tested a S-band (2.492048 GHz) right hand circularly polarized (RHCP) dual feed patch antenna with a branch line coupler with 16 MHz bandwidth.
- Designed and successfully tested a PCB for signal conditioning and out-of-band noise rejection consisting of a Low Noise Amplifier (LNA), a SAW Filter and 2 stage RF amplifier.
- Designed and fabricated a **4-layer** PCB for **amplifying** and **downconverting** the received **S-band** signal to baseband (0 Hz) using I/Q Demodulator, Fractional-N PLL and microcontroller.
- Successfully decoded **navigation bits** from all satellites using the receiver front end.

Signal Processing

- Implemented in MATALB FFT based acquisition methods code phase domain & doppler frequency domain thus decreasing the acquisition time compared to the Serial Search technique.
- Implemented the serial search acquisition block, digital Phase Locked Loop and Delay Locked Loop for tracking using ping-pong buffers on TM320C5515 DSP board to get navigation bits.

Oct'18-May'19

**Sensor System for Disbond Detection** 

Advisor

Prof. Siddharth Tallur, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

**Background** 

The aim was to make a device for detection of disbonds in carbon fibre honeycomb structure used in launch vehicle. The PWT sensor array would record the Lamb waves reflected from the defects and preform signal processing on the recorded waves to identify the location of the defect. - Funded by Indian Space Research Organisation(ISRO)

Prototype I

- Designed an embedded system to sample Lamb waves on carbon fibre sheet using PWT sensors at 512 kHz by implementing a **ping-pong** buffer for real time signal processing on TM4C1294XL board using internal ADC.
- Implemented real time 512 point Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) and 1-D Continuous Wavelet Transform (CWT) using Morlet wavelet.

Prototype II

- Designed a modular 8 channel data acquisition system with each channel capable of sampling at 4 GHz using a FPGA as buffer; FFT and CWT performed on sampled data on DSP.
- Implemented the system using ADC121S101 sampling at 1GHz, FPGA and Nios II processor in Intel's Platform Designer as a proof of concept.
- Implemented 1-D CWT using Morlet wavelet on TI's DSP C6678 multicore processor.

Iul'18-Nov'18

Phase Noise models in Ring Oscillator and effect of bondwire & supply noise on Phase Noise

Advisors Description Prof. Maryam Shojaei Baghini, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

- Studied effect of various noise sources in ring oscillator and its effect on phase noise. Matched the results from models with simulation results.
- Modeled a bondwire using lumped components and studied effect of bondwire at supply and ground on phase noise in ring oscillators.
- Studied how noise on supply voltage translates to phase noise in ring oscillator.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Summer'18

**SDR for TV Tuner Application** | Internship

Company

Sony Semiconductor Solutions, Japan

Manager Description

Kazuhiro Shimizu, Analog LSI Bussiness Division

- Investigated and benchmarked Automotive TV LSI solutions of competitor, against DTG and NorDig test set for digital TV platforms
- Developed an new Software Defined Radio (SDR) technology feature on Automotive TV LSI products by designing and testing of USB streaming application on Raspberry Pi platform
- Designed and successfully tested a digital logic board for down sampling and interleaving IQ samples as a proof of concept demonstrator system using SONY's programmable RF tuner IC

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Awarded Undergraduate Research Award - Study of Phase Noise in Ring Oscillators Awarded for recognition of significant amount of research work done by undergraduate students.

2019 **Institute Technical Color** 

Awarded for exceptional contribution to technical activities in the institute.

Selected for Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY) fellowship 2014 Fellowship awarded by the Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India to encourage high school students to pursue research in science.

Scholarship for Higher Education (SHE) under INSPIRE

Awarded by virtue of performance within the top 1% of the Board at the Class XII level.

### **PUBLICATION**

O. Kolhe and C. Jain, "Microcontroller based, satellite borne Transmitter for broadcasting images using SSTV -A prototype design", Satellite Technology Day, UR Rao Satellite Centre, April 2018.

# SELECT COURSE PROJECTS

Spring '19

Low Power Analog frontend for Portable Biopotential Signal Monitoring | EE781 - IC DESIGN FOR SENSOR SYSTEM

Instructor

Prof. Pramod Murli, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Description

- Designed a Instrumentation Amplifier in UMC180, for ECG readout channel for portable biopotential signal monitoring system, with performance standards meeting ANSI-AAMI standards.
- The instrumentation amplfier consisted of two stages input trans-conductance stage and output trans-impedance stage; with input stage capable of driving multiple output stages.
- Chopping technique was used to reduce offset and flicker noise.

Spring '18

VCO Design and Layout | EE619 - RF VLSI DESIGN

Instructor

Prof. Rajesh Zele, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Description

- Awarded prize for unique design in Layout Design Competition judged by industry experts from Qualcomm & Aura Semiconductor.
- Implemented an LC based PMOS cross-coupled VCO with tail noise filtering with a tuning range of 4.5 to 5.5 GHz.

Autumn'18

4-bit 1 GS/s ADC and DAC for 16PAM Transceiver | EE719 - MIXED SIGNAL VLSI DESIGN

Instructor

Prof. Maryam Shojaei Baghini, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Description • Designed Folding Flash ADC using double tail latch with offset cancellation.

- Designed a T/H circuit with clock feedthrough rejection and charge-injection compensation.
- Designed 4-bit thermometer current steering DAC for 4Gb/s data rate in 16-PAM transmitter.
- Characterized complete 16-PAM transceiver with ADC and DAC using microstrip line as channel.

Spring '18

LNA Design and Layout | EE619 - RF VLSI DESIGN

Instructor

Prof. Rajesh Zele, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Description

- Designed noise cancelling Common Source LNA with inductive source degeneration at 2.5 GHz.
- Achieved NF of 3.4dB, gain of 24.9dB, BW of 100MHz, IIP3 of -10dBm and P1dB of -21.8dBm.

Spring '18 16-bit Rational Arithmetic Unit (RAU) | EE705 - VLSI DESIGN LAB

Instructor Description

Prof. Sachin Patkar, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

- Designed a RAU for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of 16-bit signed numbers.
- Implemented modified Dadda reduction technique for addition of partial products from signed multiplication of 2 or 4 numbers on FPGA thus increasing operation frequency and reducing the resources required.

## **TECHNICAL PROJECTS**

Jan'17-Apr'19

**IIT Bombay Student Satellite Project** 

Background

The objective of this project is to make IIT Bombay a respected Centre of Excellence in Satellite and Space Technology in the world. The team has worked on two satellites 'Pratham' and 'Advitiy'. Pratham was launched on board the PSLV C-35 on 26th September 2016.

Description

- Finalized layout for onboard communication system to interface downlink, uplink & beacon after analyzing requirements from system.
- · Devised operational modes for the satellite; defined switching conditions and conceptualized the framework for the flight code to coordinate between three  $\mu$ C and onboard peripherals.
- Designed and implemented end-to-end link of image transmission and reception in SSTV (Slow Scan Television) protocol, establishing it as a proof of concept of Advitiy's payload.
- Ideated the functioning of Beacon to minimize load on the communication  $\mu$ C by using scheduled interrupts enabling the satellite to perform other computations simultaneously.
- Improvised scheduling of communication  $\mu$ C by novel use of interrupts; eliminating need of an extra  $\mu$ C for data handling.

## ACADEMIC SERVICES AND POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Autumn'19 Instructor Teaching Assistant | GRADUATE COURSE: HARDWARE DESCRIPTION LANGUAGES

Prof. Sachin Patkar, Electrical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Description

- Assisted in managing logistics, course plan and ensuring smooth functioning of the course.
- Responsible for assisting students in in-class tasks and project for 70+ PG students.

Jan'18-Dec'18 Description Head, Communication Subsystem, IIT Bombay Student Satellite Project

- Spearheaded a team of 8 people to create a robust on-board communication system to realize the payload and increasing reliability by enforcing quality assurance practices
- · Organized Groundstation Workshops attended by over 80 students and faculty members across India sharing knowledge on satellite communication and groundstation
- · Contributed to Satellite 101 wiki, a compilation of basic knowledge of satellite project with 47.1k pageviews and 18.7k users from across the globe.
- Executed a three-step recruitment process to select 16 students for the subsystem, from 70+ applicants evaluating their technical ability, practical approach and teamwork.

### **KEY COURSES AND PROGRAMMING SKILLS**

Analog VLSI RF Microelectronics Chip Design, Mixed Signal VLSI Design, Analog VLSI Design

**Digital VLSI** VLSI Design, Foundations of VLSI CAD, VLSI Design Lab

Integrated Circuit Design for Sensor Systems, Sensors in Instrumentation Sensors

VLSI Technology, Solid State Microwaves Devices, Microelectronics Simulation Lab **Devices** 

Miscellaneous Design and Evaluation of Photovoltaic Power Plants, Digital Signal Processing

**Design Tools** Cadence Virtuoso, Intel Quartus, HFSS, ADS, System Advisor Model, PVlib

C++, C, Python, MATLAB, VHDL, Verilog, Assembly, Java, ETFX **Programming** 

### EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Actively volunteered in Green Campus, National Service Scheme for conservation of plant species
- Successfully qualified level 1 & 2 Tabla exams conducted by Akhil Bharatiya Gandharya Mahayidyalaya Mandal
- · An avid traveller and adventure sports enthusiast amateur scuba diver and sky diver

#### References

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