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To: William H. Parker  
Vice Chancellor for Research  
Dean of Graduate Studies

From: Daniel D. Gajski  
Henry Samueli "Turing" Endowed Chair  
Director, Center for Embedded Computer Systems

Subject: CECS 2004-2005 Annual Report

The Center for Embedded Computer Center (CECS) ended the 2005 fiscal year with many significant accomplishments and a strong and innovative research program. CECS is internationally recognized as an outstanding research center in embedded systems. This year we adapted a new slogan: *CECS – promoting creativity and pursuing discovery!*

The core and domain research programs were conducted by 20 UCI faculty members, 2 UCSD faculty members and 1 UCR faculty member and 129 graduate students. We have three distinguished industrial executives serving on the CECS Research Advisory Board. We treasure and value the research advice, counsel and guidance provided by this distinguished group of industrial executives. We also sponsored 2 CECS Distinguished Lectures which brought an outstanding professor and an industrial researcher to our research center for interaction with our graduate students. We also hosted 11 research visitors from foreign industry and universities who conducted embedded systems research for varying time periods. We successfully added 7 scientific staff members to support our major research projects this fiscal year. We added Tsuneo Kinoshita to the position of Research Relations – Asia and are continuing a search to identify a person for the position of Research Relations – USA.

As recognition of our research capabilities, we were successful in capturing \$1,610,165 in contracts and grants, and \$797,275 in research donations for a total of \$2,407,440. This level of research funding and support signifies the importance of and the recognition achieved by our core and domain research programs.

Four issues of CECS *eNEWS* were published which pictorially highlighted the quarterly research accomplishments of our faculty members, graduate students, and visitors.

We continue to recognize the importance of our web site as a means of attracting talented graduate students and to publicize our core and domain research programs to the industrial and governmental communities. Our web site, [www.cecs.uci.edu](http://www.cecs.uci.edu), was maintained in a timely manner and the site navigation was dramatically improved. Continual pictorial enhancements to our web site has received positive responses from many national and international readers. A new registration option has been well received by many industrial readers who have voluntarily registered for addition to our electronic mailings.

Our core and domain research programs were extremely successful in fiscal year 2004/2005. We will continue striving to build on these research accomplishments in 2006; hoping to have significant and profound societal impact through innovative research and technology transfer

**FACULTY MEMBERS**

Nader Bagherzadeh - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Lubomir Bic - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Pai H. Chou - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Rainer Doemer – Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Nikil D. Dutt - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Daniel D. Gajski - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Jean-Luc Gaudiot - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Tony Givargis - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Rajesh K. Gupta - Computer Science & Engineering, UC San Diego  
Ian Harris - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Payam Heydari - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Raymond Klefstad - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Fadi Kurdahi - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Kwei-jay Lin - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, UC Irvine  
J. Michael McCarthy - Mechanical Engineering, UC Irvine  
Alex Nicolau - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Alex Orailoglu - Computer Science & Engineering, UC San Diego  
Isaac Scherson - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Tatsuya Suda - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine  
Bruce J. Tromberg - Beckman Laser Institute, UC Irvine  
Frank Vahid - Computer Science & Engineering, UC Riverside  
Alexander Veidenbaum - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine

**New FACULTY MEMBERS (FY 2004/05)**

Elaheh Bozorgadeh - Information & Computer Science, UC Irvine

**RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS**

Dr. Gilbert F. Amelio - Senior Partner, Sienna Ventures, Sausalito, California  
Dr. Mutsuhiro Arinobu – Vice President, Toshiba, Tokyo, Japan  
Dr. Jai H. Hakhu – Vice President, Intel, Santa Clara, California

**ADMINISTRATION and RESEARCHERS**

Daniel D. Gajski - Director  
Robert P. Larsen - Associate Director  
Grace Wu – Operations Manager  
Raphael Castaneda - Webmaster  
Maral Melkichian - Administrative Assistant  
Kathy Nguyen - Administrative Assistant  
Andreas Gerstlauer - Project Scientist

Junyu Peng - Project Scientist  
 Dongwan Shin - Project Scientist  
 Quoc-Viet Dang – Project Programmer Analyst  
 Paul Rigor – Project Programmer Analyst  
 Amy Henckel – Project System Administrator  
 Tsuneo Kinoshita– Research Relations-Asia

**VISITORS**

Neil Audsley – University of York, United Kingdom  
 Kiyong Choi - Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea  
 Tak-Don Han - (EECS visitor – Kane Kim)  
 Takaaki Imai - Renasas Technology Corporation, Tokyo, Japan  
 Dirk Jansen – University of Offenburg, Germany  
 Su-Chong Joo - (EECS Visitor – Kane Kim)  
 Sunghyun Lee - (Dutt ICS visitor)  
 Hyunok Oh - Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea  
 Wolfgang Rosenstiel - University of Tuebingen, Tuebingen, Germany  
 Wonyong Sung - Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea  
 Whanki Yong - Handong Global University, Gyoung-buk, South Korea

**GRADUATE STUDENTS**

Samar Abdi  
 Nikhil Bansai  
 Sudarshan Banerjee  
 Nikhil Bansal  
 Partha Biswas  
 Pramod Chandraiah  
 Harish Chandra  
 Han-su Cho  
 Siddharth Choudhuri  
 Juan Colmanares  
 Radu Cornea  
 Susan Cotterell  
 David Cuccia  
 Paolo D'Alberto  
 Ambarish De  
 Frederic Doucet  
 Haitao Du  
 Ryota Egashira  
 Keita Fujii  
 Mohammaed Ghodrat  
 Arijit Ghosh  
 Sheuti Gorappa  
 Ann Gordon-Ross  
 Bitu Gorji-Ara  
 Priya Govinda  
 Aseem Gupta

Jiwon Hahn  
 Sam Hamilton  
 Trevor Harmon  
 Akira Hatanaka  
 Matthew Heath  
 Jie Hu  
 Yan Huang  
  
 Javid Huseynov  
 Ilya Issenin  
 Hojjat Jafarpour  
 Vipul Jain  
 Dorota Jakubowski  
 Ravindra Jejurikar  
 Amir Kamalizad  
 Dongsoo Kang  
 Jungyap Kang  
 Arun Kejariwal  
 Parin Kenia  
 Minyoung Kim  
 Sung Jun Kim  
 Sun Woo Kim  
 Arwzou Koohi  
 Ming Kin Lai  
 Mingjie Lai  
 Jinhwan Lee  
 Kyoungwoo Lee

Seongwon Lee  
 Dexin Li  
 Hui Liu  
 Jiming Liu  
 Jinfeng Liu  
 Jun Lu  
 Rafael Lopez  
 Roman Lysecky  
 Ryan Mannion  
 Mahesh Mamidipaka  
 Shean McMahon  
 Sean Merritt  
 Kris Miller  
 Michael Moore  
 Andre Nacul  
 Babak Naffas  
 Nader Nassif  
 Shawn Nemetebakshi  
 Dan Nicolaescu  
 Afshin Niktash  
 Keun Sik No  
 Koji Noguchi  
 Chengzhi Pan  
 Lei Pan  
 Yi Pan  
 Mark Panahi  
 Hooman Parizi  
 Chulsun Park  
 Jae Park  
 Sudeep Pasricha  
 Cristiano Pereira  
 Peter Petrov  
 Kien Pham  
 Richard Plettner  
 Mukesh Rajan  
 Krishna Raman  
 Kiran Ramineni  
 Wenjing Rao  
 Mehrdad Reshadi  
 Won Woo Ro

Nicolae Savoiu  
 Devyani Sharma  
 David Sheldon  
 Chia-Yen Shih  
 Chulho Shih  
 Aviral Shrivastava  
 Farhan Simjee  
 Ozgur Sinanoglu  
 Vivek Sinha  
 Greg Stitt  
 Yamini Sukumaran  
 Rasit Topaloglu  
 Jelena Trajkovic  
 Duan Tran  
 Anshuman Tripathi  
 Richard Utter  
 Maria-Cruz Villa-Uriol  
 Daniel Wang  
 David Wangerin  
 Min Wu  
 Qiang Xie  
 Fei Xin  
 Affrin Yahaya  
 Chengmo Yang  
 Mei Yang  
 John Yapisek  
 Ahmad Yazdi  
 Sheng Yen  
 Joon You  
 Long Yun  
 Weilin Zeng  
 Chunchui Zhang  
 Wendy Zhang  
 Ying Zhang  
 Yue Zhang  
 Shuqing Zhao  
 Aikaterini Zoumi

### **STUDENT INTERNS**

Issenin Ilya – IMEC, Leuven, Belgium  
 Sudeep Pasricha - Connexant, Newport Beach, California

**GRADUATED STUDENTS**

Haobo Yu, Ph.D.  
Manev Luthra , MS

**PROPOSALS SUBMITTED**

Eleven proposals submitted to various Federal, Private and Industrial agencies amounting to \$1,214,877.

**SPACE ALLOCATIONS**

CECS has space allocation in Information and Computer Science and Engineering Research Facility Building (IERF). It provides office and lab space for 5 faculty members, 53 students, 6 administrative staff, 4 project researcher and 11 visitors (during FY2004/05).

**AWARDED CONTRACTS AND GRANTS**

Semiconductor Research Corporation	\$239,732
UC Micro Intel (2002)	2,317
UC Micro State (2003)	15,163
UC Micro Intel (2003)	17,648
UC Micro State (2003)	10,779
UC Micro Conexant (2003)	30,000
UC Micro State (2004)	19,450
UC Micro Intel (2004)	40,000
UCLA/Semiconductor Research Corporation	229
National Science Foundation/NSG	230,169
National Science Foundation/INRIA, France	31,363
National Science Foundation	125,275
National Science Foundation/DA	23,113
InterDesign Technologies, Japan	797,549
Hitachi Inc., Japan	27,378
Sub Total	\$1,610,165

**RESEARCH DONATIONS**

Motorola, Incorporated	\$347,124
SpecC Technology Open Consortium, Japan	6,716
InterDesign Technology, Incorporated, Japan	6,613
Various Donors	249,086
CECS Various Donors	5,149
Sales and Services	12,249
HSSOE Endowed Chair	70,338
Henry T. Nicholas, III Research Fellowships	100,000
Sub Total	\$797,275

**CONTRACTS, GRANTS AND DONATIONS TOTAL      \$2,407,440**

**DISTINGUISHED LECTURES**

“Taming Pointers – A Symbolic Approach,” by Professor Jianwen Zhu, University of Toronto, Canada, McDonnell Douglas Auditorium, University of California, Irvine, CA, Seminar, August 17, 2004

“Technological Challenges to Computer Architecture Innovation,” by Dr. Faye Briggs, Intel Corporation McDonnell Douglas Auditorium, University of California, Irvine, CA, Distinguished Lecture, Dec 9, 2004

**Ph.D. PRESENTATIONS**

Haobo Yu, December 2004

**EVENTS**

CECS ISLPED Open House, August 8, 2004

The CECS ISLPED Open House held on August 8, 2004 was a success. Over 55 ISLPED attendees, graduate students, and CECS faculty affiliates were present at this CECS sponsored event.

Keynote Speech, August 31, 2004

Professor Nikil Dutt presented the Keynote Speech at the EUROMICRO Symposium on Digital System Design, Rennes, France.

## **SEMINARS**

“Extreme Makeover of Design Automation,” Presented by Professor Daniel Gajski, University of California, Irvine, IEEE Orange County Computer Society, University Club, UC Irvine, October 25, 2004

## **AWARDS**

### Henry T. Nicholas, III Research Fellowships, May 15, 2005

The Center for Embedded Computer Systems (CECS) at the University of California, Irvine (UCI) announces that it will award two Henry T. Nicholas, III Research Fellowships for the 2005-2006 academic year.

### NSF CAREER Awards, February 7, 2005

Professors Pai H. Chou and Payam Heydari, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at the Henry Samueli School of Engineering, have been named recipients of the National Science Foundation (NSF) Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Award. Each professor received an award of \$400,000 covering 5 year duration.

### 2004 EDAA Outstanding Dissertation Award, January 25, 2005

Dr. Prabhat Mishra won the EDAA outstanding dissertation award for the thesis topic "New Directions in Embedded System Design Automation." His dissertation is titled, "Specification-Driven Validation of Programmable Embedded Systems."

## **eNEWS LETTERS**

### Volume 4, Issue 3 - July 2004

- CECS at DAC
- Introducing Prof. Harris
- Mentor Award to Gajski
- "One Day" FPGA Design Methodology

### Volume 4, Issue 4 - October 2004

- CECS at ISLPED
- CECS at ICCSS
- SPARK Book Published
- Student Profiles
- NISC Processor

### Volume 5, Issue 1 - January 2005

- CECS at ICCAD
- CECS at Cal-(It)<sup>2</sup>
- Gajski Addresses Local IEEE
- Dutt Named Editor-in-Chief
- Briggs Delivers Lecture
- Kurdahi to IEEE Fellow
- Chou Wins CAREER

Volume 5, Issue 2 - April 2005

- CECS at DATE 05
- CECS at ASP-DAC 2005
- NSF CAREER Award to Heydari
- Dissertation Award to Mishra
- Bozorgzadeh Joins CECS
- Embedded Testing

## **JOURNALS**

### IEEE Design & Test of Computers

Chulsung Park, Jinfeng Liu and Pai H. Chou, "B#: A Battery Emulator and Power-Profiling Instrument," March-April 2004, pp 150-159.

### IEEE Design & Test of Computers

S. Pasricha, M. Luthra, S. Mohapatra, N. Dutt, N. Venkatasubramanian, "Dynamic Backlight Adaptation for Low-Power Handheld Devices," September-October 2004, pp 398-405.

### IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems

P. Heydari , "Analysis of the PLL Jitter Due to Power/Ground and Substrate Noise," 2004.

### IEEE Transactions on VLSI

P. Heydari and R. Mohanavelu, "Design of Ultra High-Speed Low-Voltage CMOS CML buffers and Latches," 2004.

### ACM Transactions on Design Automation of Electronic Systems

Seda Ogrenci Memik, Ryan Kastner, Elaheh Bozorgzadeh and Majid Sarrafzadeh, "A Scheduling Algorithm for Optimization and Early Planning in High-Level Synthesis," Volume 10, Number 1, January 2005, pp 33-57.

## **CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**

### International Conference on Hardware/Software Codesign and System Synthesis (CODES+ISSS 2004), Stockholm, Sweden

S. Banerjee and N. Dutt, "Efficient Search Space Exploration for HW-SW Partitioning," CODES+ISSS 2004, Stockholm, Sweden, pp 122-127, September 8-10, 2004

M. Mamidipaka, K. Khouri, N. Dutt, and M. Abadir, "Analytical Models for Leakage Power Estimation of Memory Array Structures," DES+ISSS 2004," Stockholm, Sweden, pp 146-151, September 8-10, 2004

S. Pasricha, N. Dutt, M. Ben-Romdhane, "ast Exploration of Bus-based On-chip Communication Architectures," CODES+ISSS 2004, Stockholm, Sweden, pp 242-247, September 8-10, 2004

F. Rivera, M. Sanchez-Elez, M. Fernandez, R. Hermida, and N. Bagherzadeh, "Efficient Mapping of Hierarchical Trees on Coarse-Grain Reconfigurable Architectures," CODES+ISSS 2004, Stockholm,

Sweden, pp 30-35, September 8-10, 2004

A. Shrivastava, E. Earlie, N. Dutt, and A. Nicolau, "Operation Tables for Scheduling in the Presence of Incomplete Bypassing," CODES+ISSS 2004, Stockholm, Sweden, pp 194-199, September 8-10, 2004

Asia South Pacific Design Automation Conference 2005 Shanghai China (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China

S. Abdi and D. Gajski, "A Formalism for Functionality Preserving System Level Transformations," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 139-144, January 18-21, 2005

Y. Agarwal, C. Schurgers, and R. Gupta, "Dynamic Power Management Using On-Demand Paging for Networked Embedded Systems," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 755-759, January 18-21, 2005

### **CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS (Continue)**

R. Ayoub and A. Orailoglu, "A Unified Transformational Approach for Reductions in Fault Vulnerability, Power, and Crosstalk Noise and Delay on Processor Buses," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 729-734, January 18-21, 2005

L. Cai, A. Gerstlauer, and D. Gajski, "Multi-Metric and Multi-Entity Characterization of Applications for Early System Design Exploration," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 944-947, January 18-21, 2005

A. Gerstlauer, D. Shin, R. Doemer, and D. Gajski, "System-Level Communication Modeling for Network-on-Chip Synthesis," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 45-48, January 18-21, 2005

S. Pasricha, N. Dutt, and M. Ben-Romdhane, "Automated Throughput-Driven Synthesis of Bus-Based Communication Architectures," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 495-498, January 18-21, 2005

J. Peng, S. Abdi, and D. Gajski, "A Clustering Technique to Optimize hardware/Software Synchronization," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 965-968, January 18-21, 2005

W. Rao, A. Orailoglu, and R. Karri, "Fault Tolerant Nanoelectronic Processor Architectures," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 311-316, January 18-21, 2005

J. Seo and N. Dutt, "A Generalized Technique for Energy-Efficient Operating Voltage Set-Up in Dynamic Voltage Scaled Processors," Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 836-841, January 18-21, 2005

R. Topaloglu and A. Orailoglu, "Forward Discrete Probability Propagation Method for Device

Performance Characterization Under Process Variations,” Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 220-223, January 18-21, 2005

S. Verma, K. Ramineni, and I. Harris, “An Efficient Control-Oriented Coverage Metric,” Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 317-322, January 18-21, 2005

T. Wei, K. Wu, R. Karri, and A. Orailoglu, “Fault Tolerant Quantum Cellular Array (QCA) Design Using Triple Modular Redundancy with Shifted Operands,” Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 1192-1195, January 18-21, 2005

C. Zhang and F. Kurdahi, “On Combining Iteration Space Tiling with Data Space Tiling for Scratch-Pad Memory Systems,” Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC 2005), Shanghai, China, pp 965-968, January 18-21, 2005

### **CECS TECHNICAL REPORTS**

S. Banerjee, E. Bozorgzadeh and N. Dutt, “HW/SW Partitioning for Architectures with Partial Dynamic Reconfiguration,” TR 05-02, March, 2005.

M. Kim, H. Oh, N. Dutt, A. Nicolau, N. Venkatasubramanian, “Probability Based Power Aware Error Resilient Coding,” TR 05-01, February, 2005.

M. Reshadi and D. Gajski, “NISC Modeling and Compilation,” TR 04-33, December 2004.

A. Gupta and R. Doemer, “System Design of Digital Camera Using SpecC,” TR 04-32, December 10, 2004.

R. Jejurikar and R. Gupta, “Leakage Aware Dynamic Slack Reclamation in Real-Time,” TR 04-31, November 2004.

A. Nacul and T. Givargis, “The Phantom Serializing Compiler,” TR 04-30, November 22, 2004.

S. Abdi and D. Gajski, “System Level Verification with Model Algebra,” TR 04-29, November 9, 2004.

M. Mamidipaka and N. Dutt, “eCACTI: An Enhanced Power Estimation Model for On-chip Caches,” TR 04-28, September 14, 2004.

S. Pasricha, N. Dutt, E. Bozorgzadeh, and M. Ben-Romdhane, “Floorplan-aware Bus Architecture Synthesis,” TR 04-27, October 2004.

B. Gorjiara and N. Bagherzadeh, “Systematic Power Management of Heterogeneous Real-time Systems by Dynamic Schedule Analysis,” TR 04-26, August 2004.

D. Shin, A. Gerstlauer, R. Doemer, D. Gajski, “System-on-Chip Communication Modeling Style Guide,” TR 04-25, July 2004.

D. Shin, L. Cai, A. Gerstlauer, R. Doemer, D. Gajski, "System-on-Chip Transaction-Level Modeling Style Guide," TR 04-24, July 2004.

D. Shin, J. Peng, A. Gerstlauer, R. Doemer, D. Gajski, "System-On-Chip Network Modeling Style Guide," TR 04-23, July 31, 2004.

J. Peng, A. Gerstlauer, R. Doemer, D. Gajski, "System-On-Chip Architecture Modeling Style Guide," TR 04-22, July 31, 2004.

TR 04-21 Not available at current time.

S. Pasricha, N. Dutt, and M. Ben-Romdhane, "Automated Synthesis of Bus Architectures for Systems with Throughput Constraints," TR 04-20, August 2004.

R. Doemer, A. Gerstlauer, D. Shin, "Cycle-accurate RTL Modeling with Multi-Cycled and Pipelined Components," TR 04-19, July 22, 2004.