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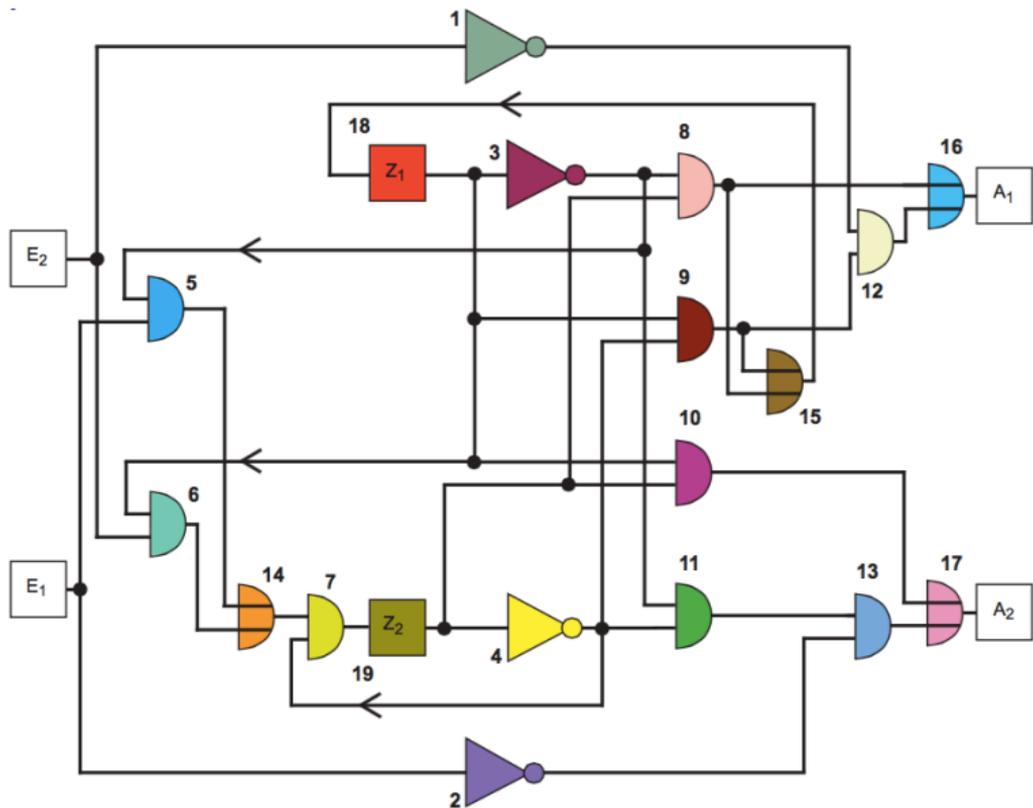
Machine Learning in EDA

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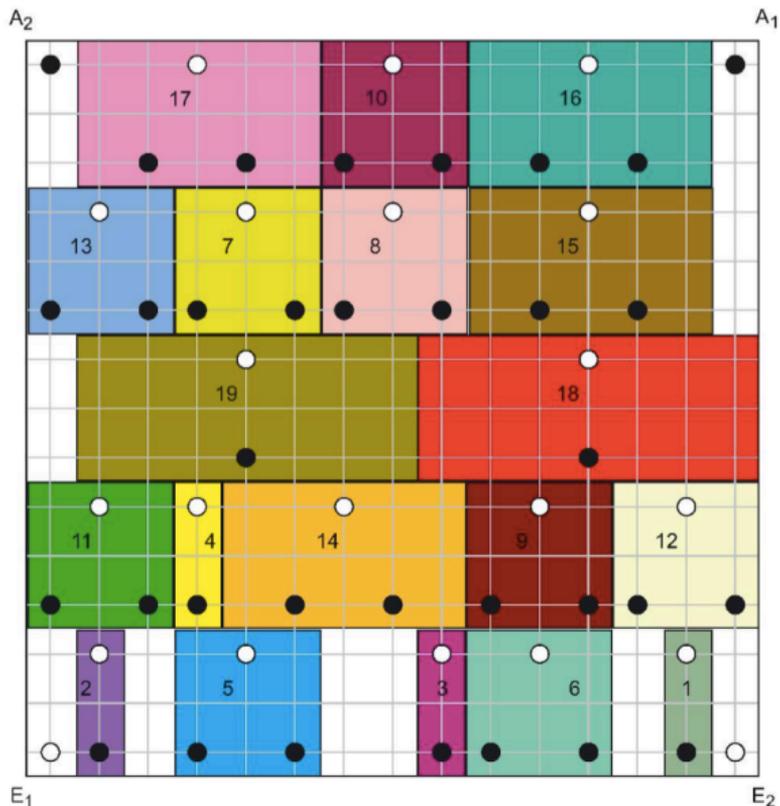
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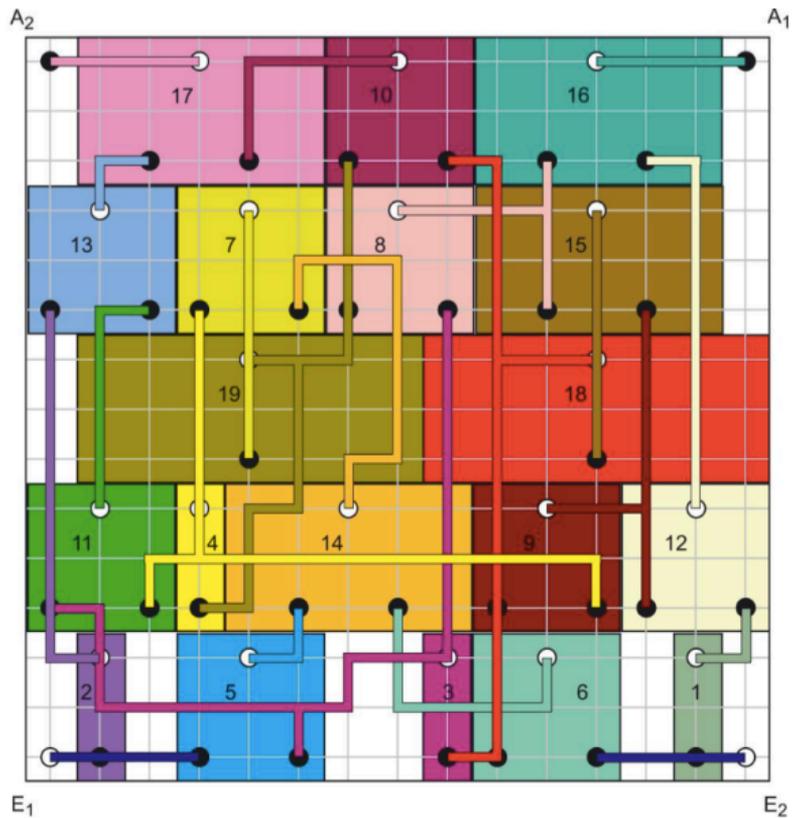
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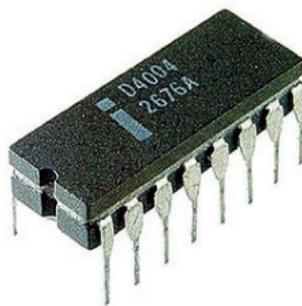
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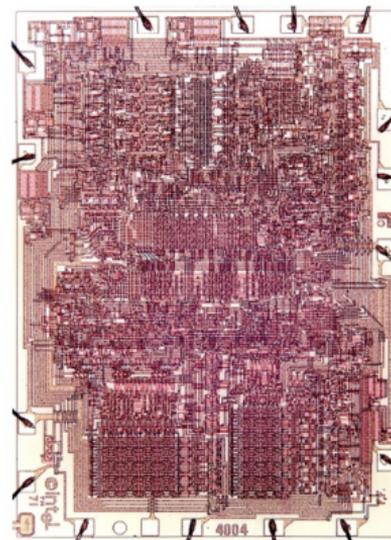
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When was the first Microprocessor?

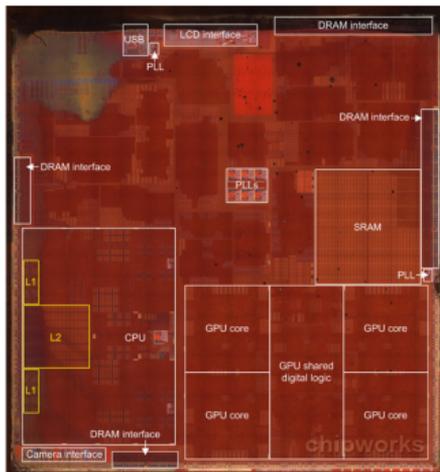


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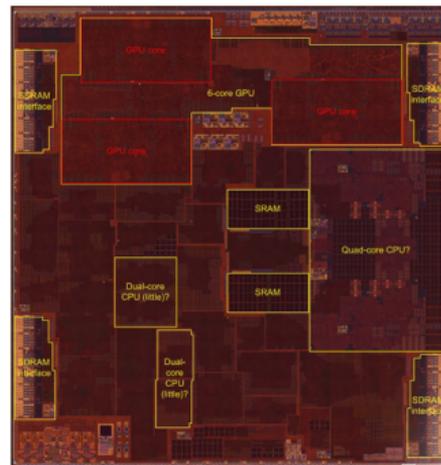
(b)

1971, Intel 4004.



Apple A7 (2013)

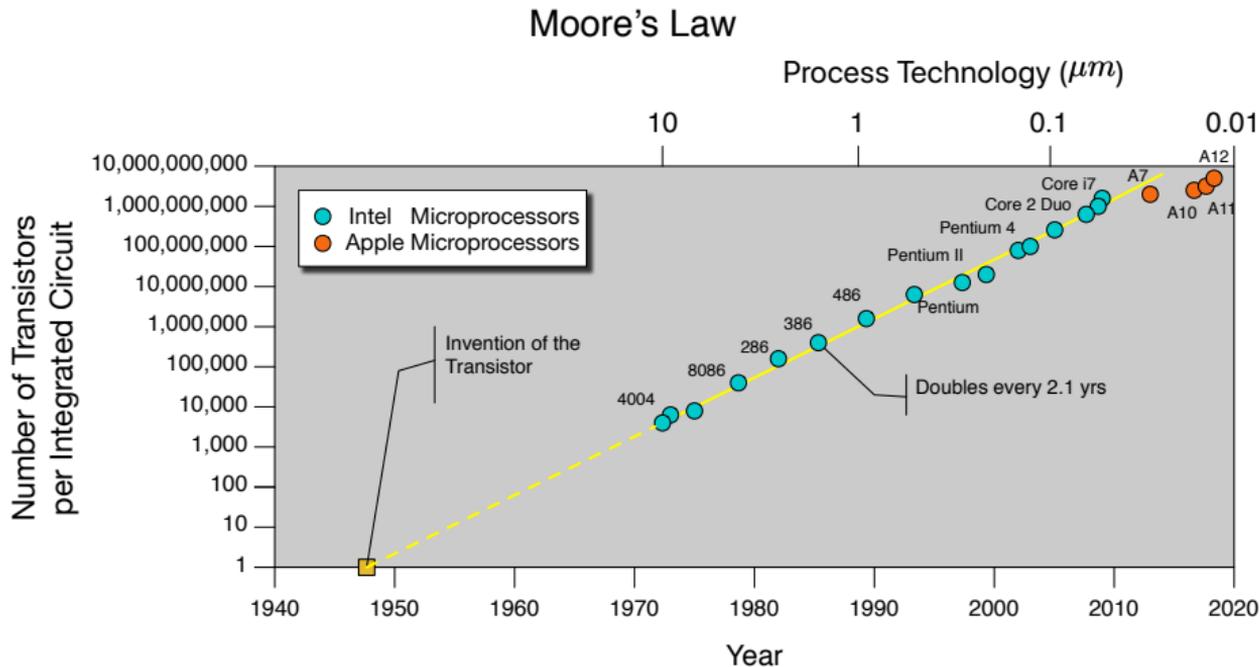
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- 102mm^2 die size
- 1.3GHz

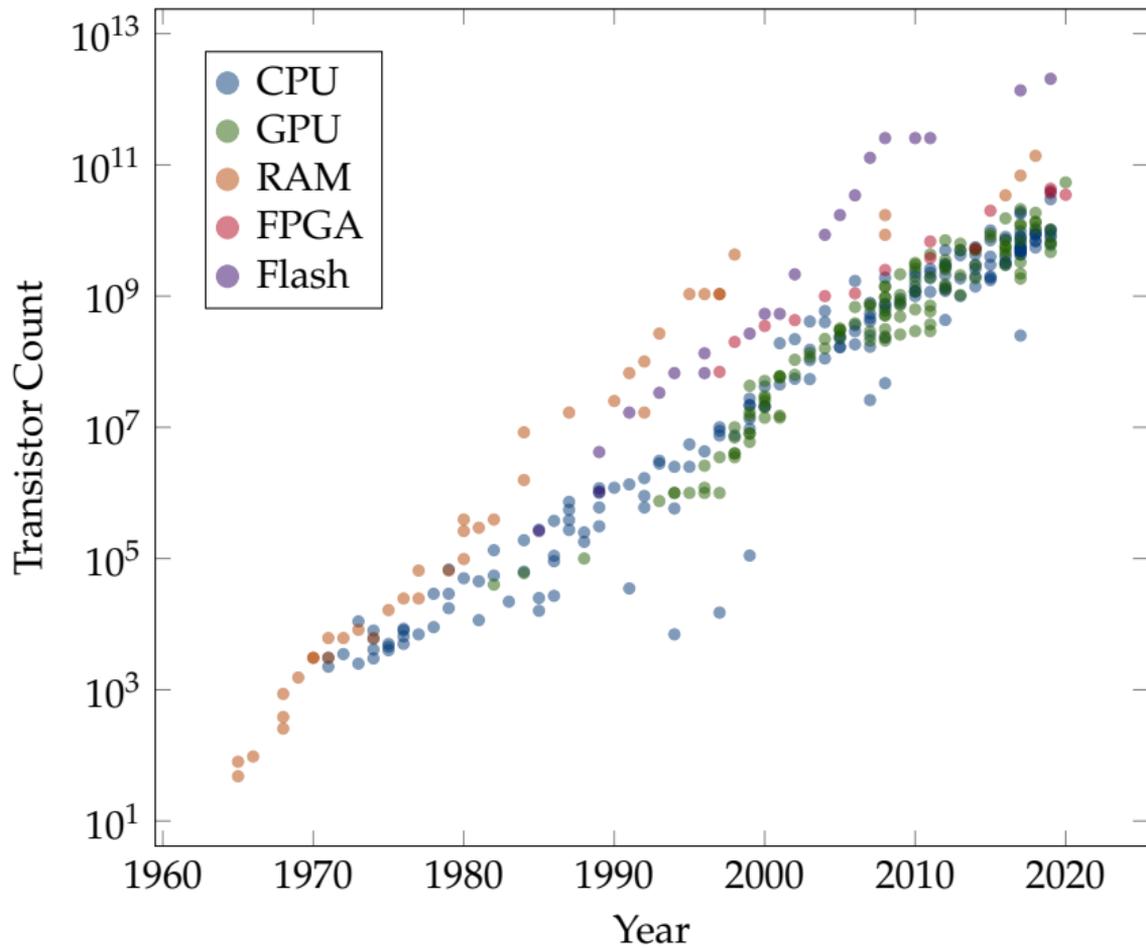


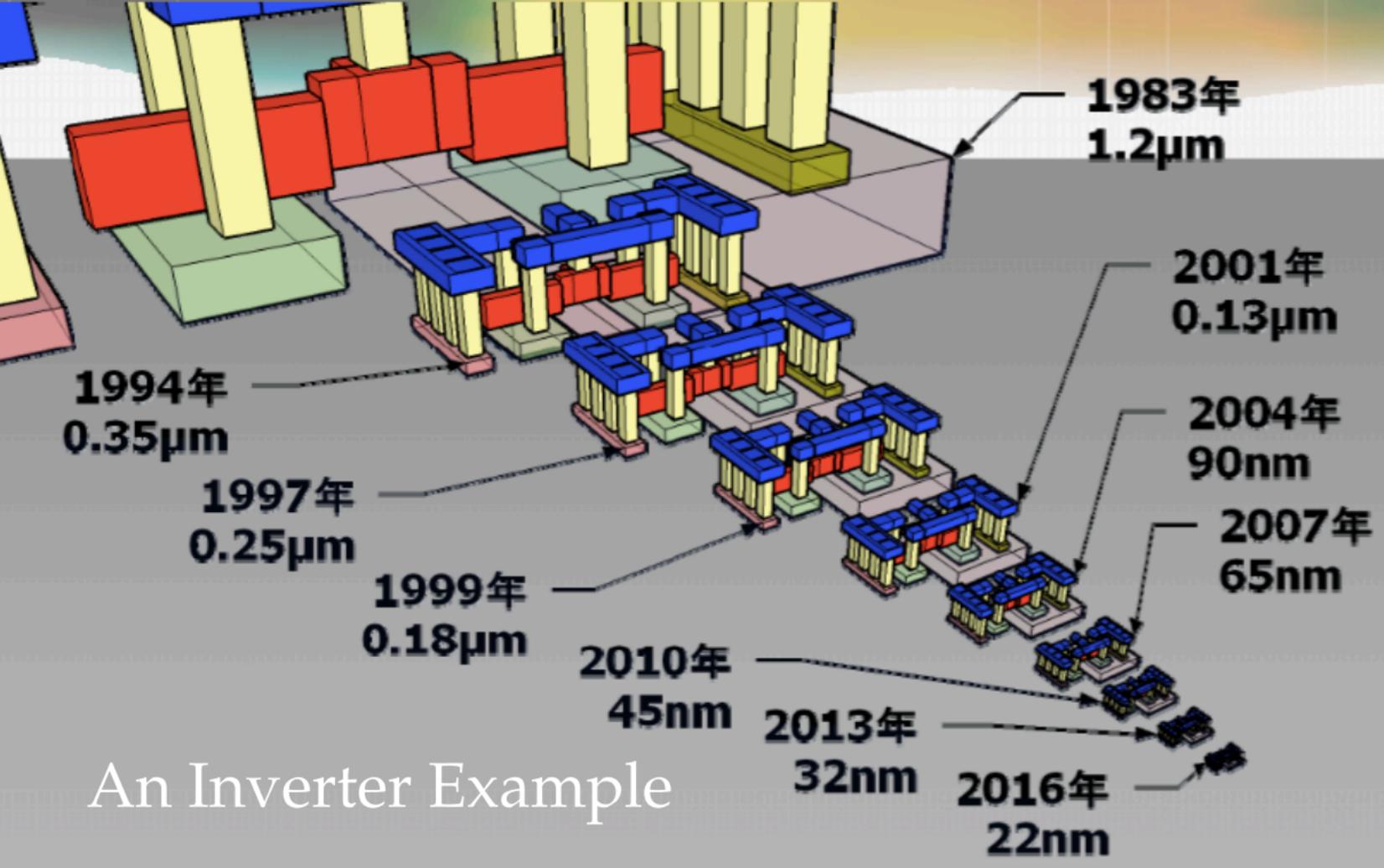
Apple A10 (2016)

- 3,300,000,000 Transistors
- 125mm^2 die size
- 2.34GHz

Moore's Law to Extreme Scaling

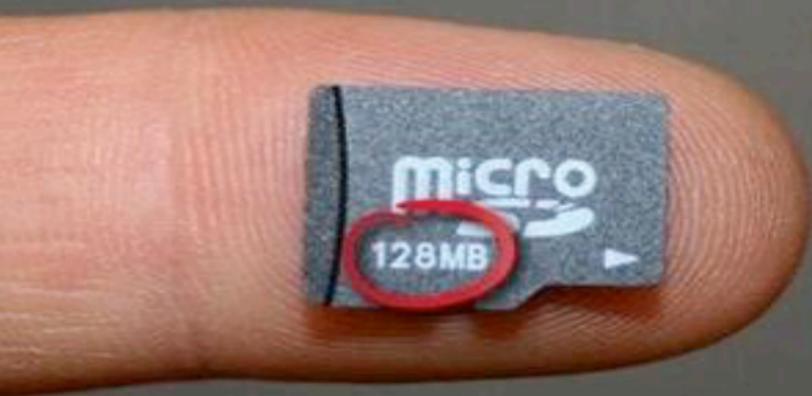






An Inverter Example

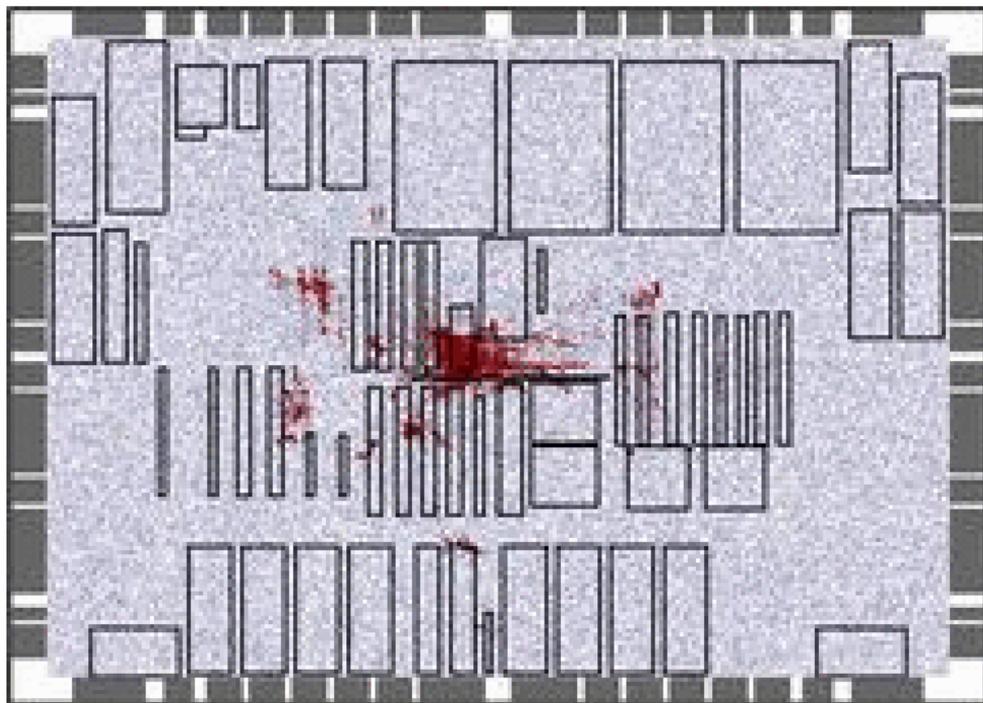
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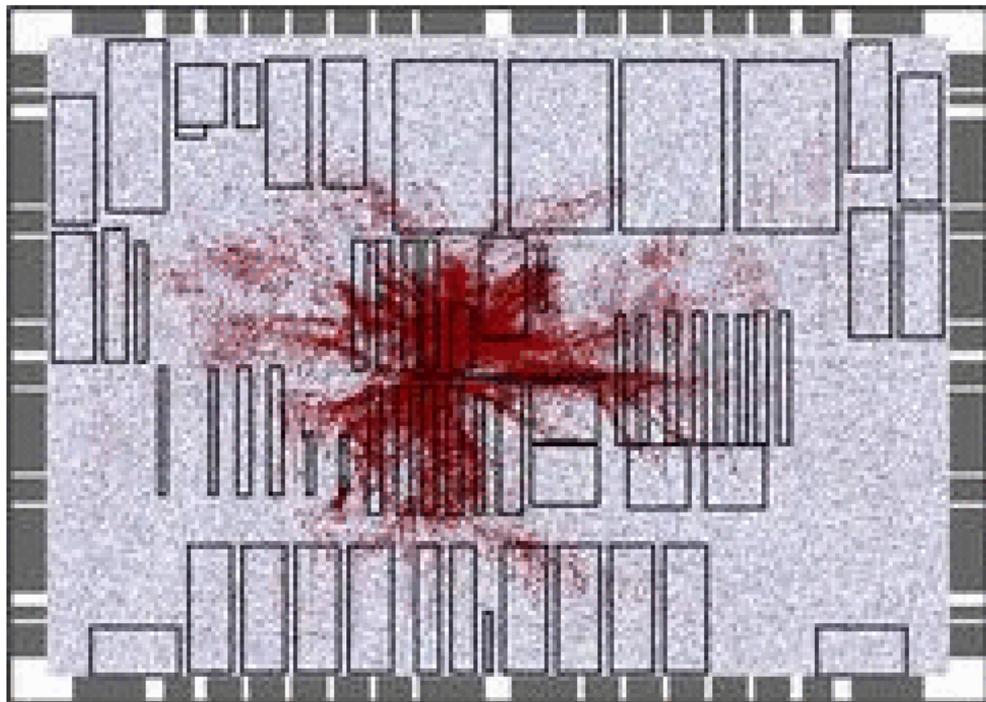
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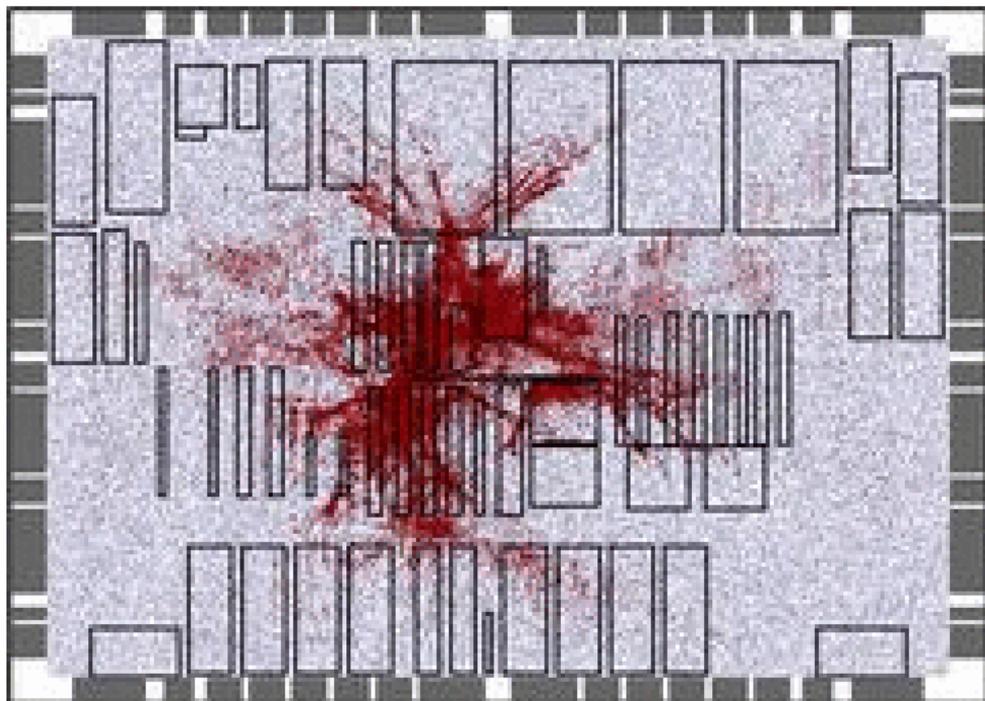
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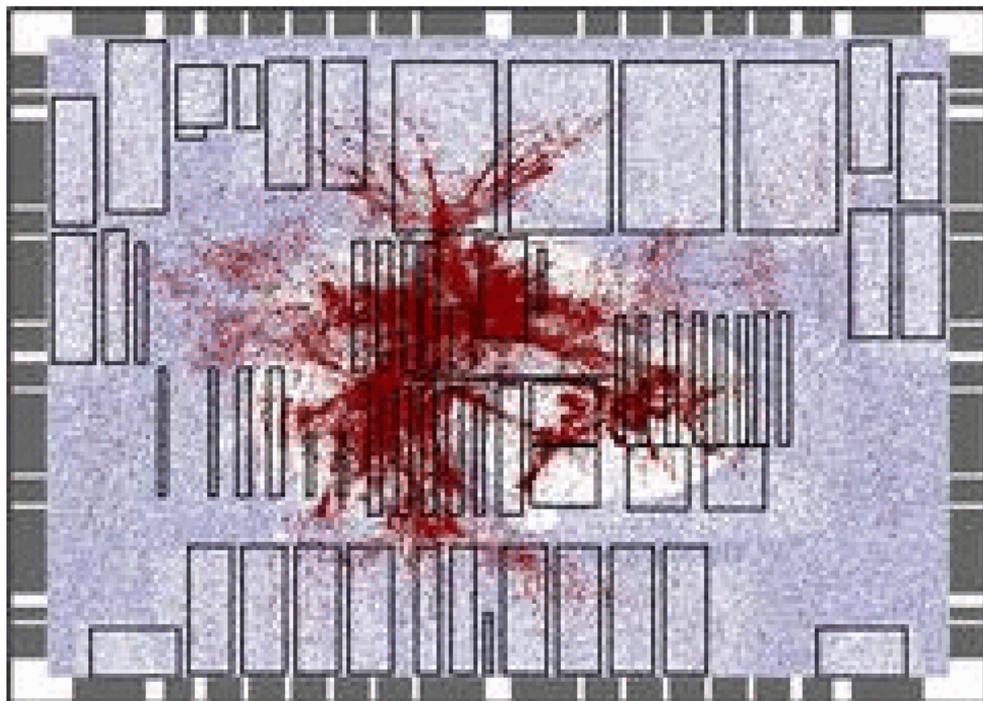
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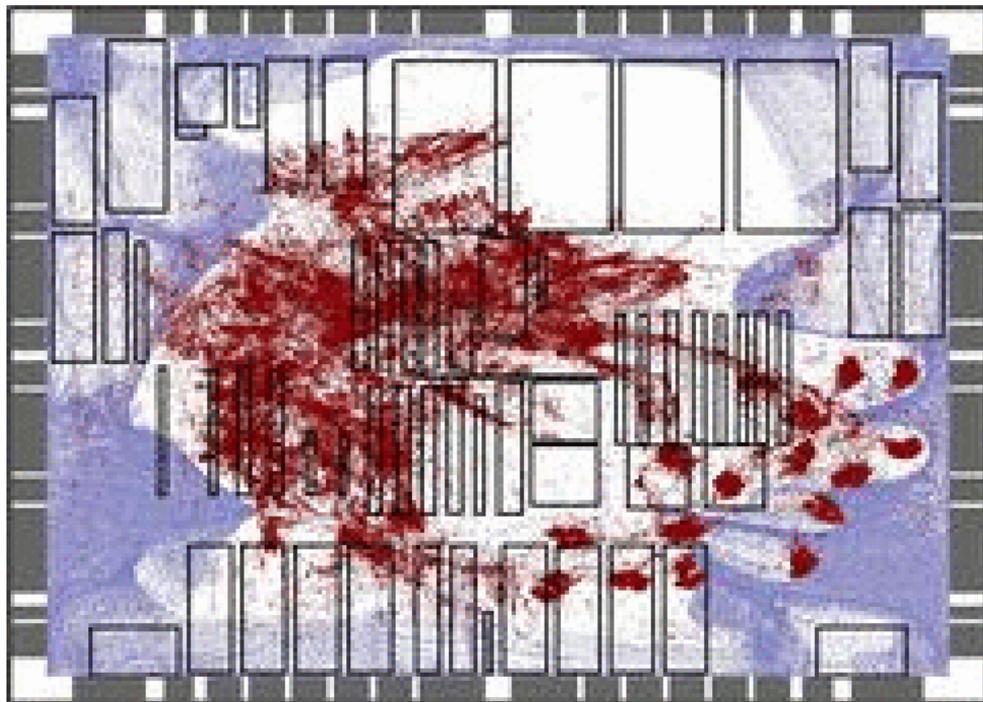
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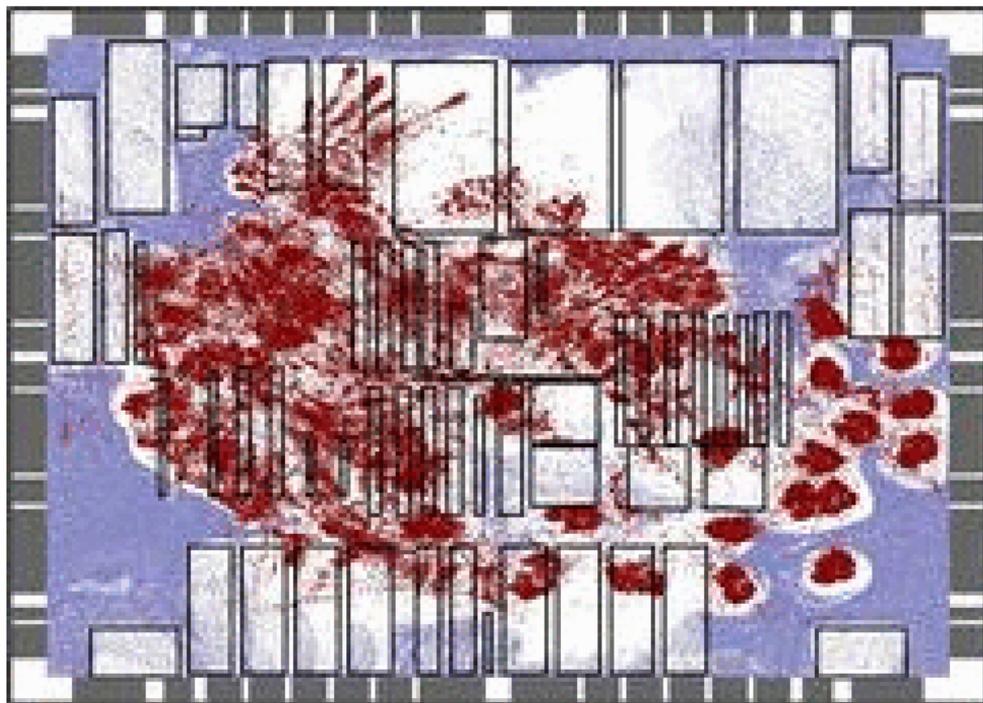
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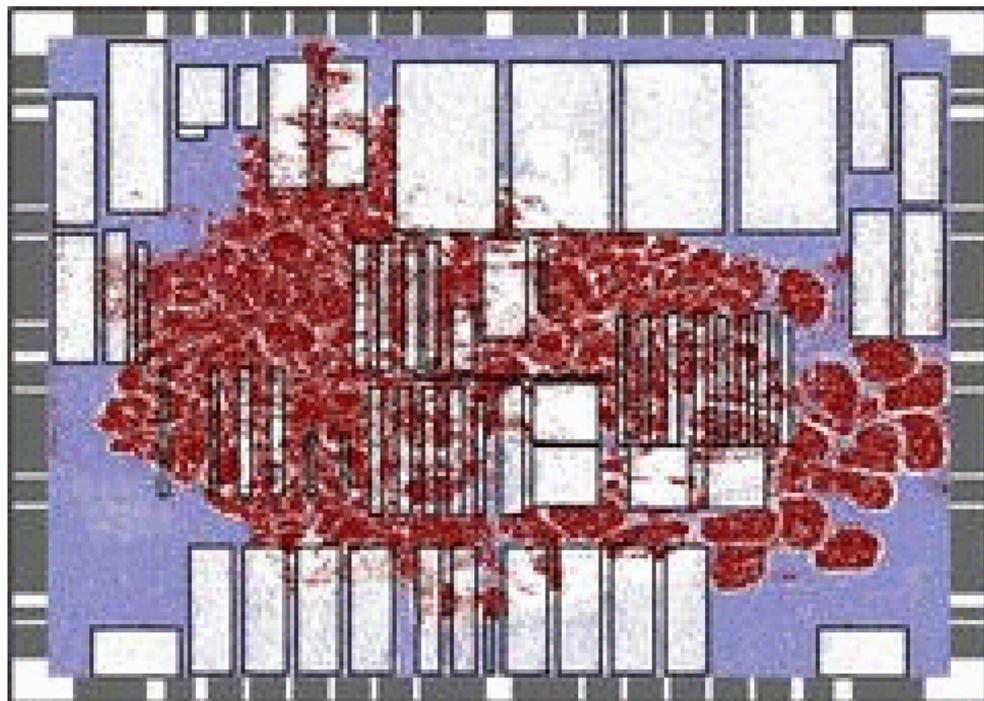
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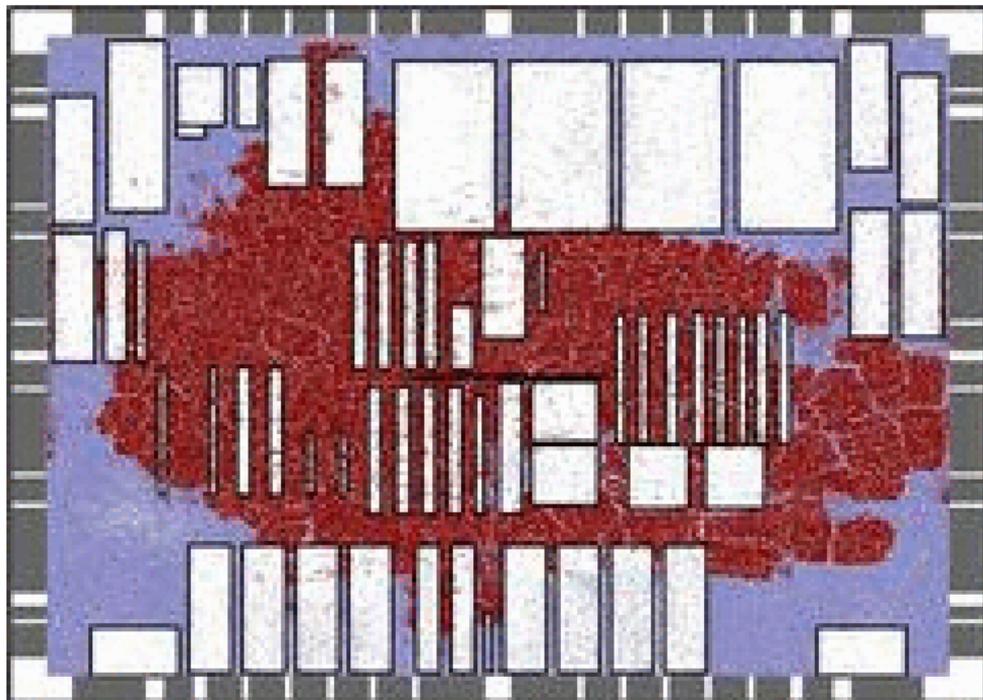
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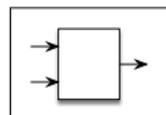


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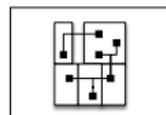
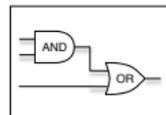


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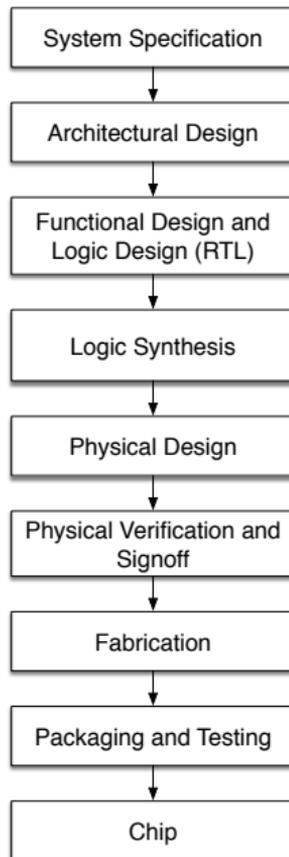
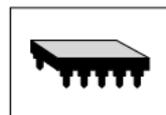
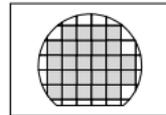
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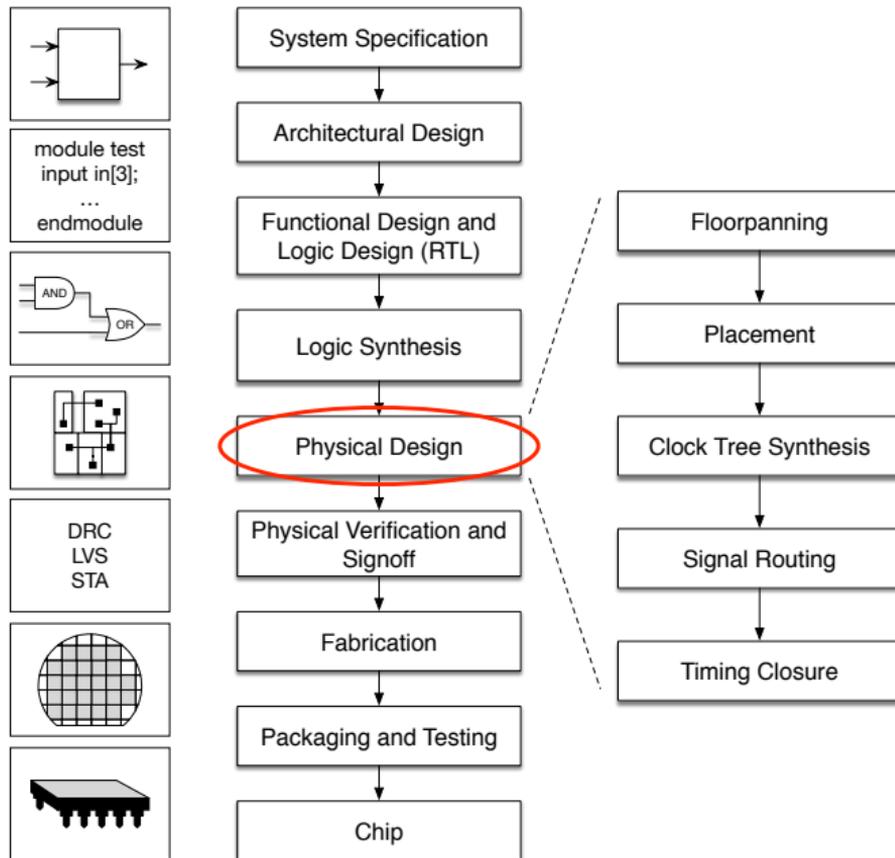
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module test
input in[3];
...
endmodule
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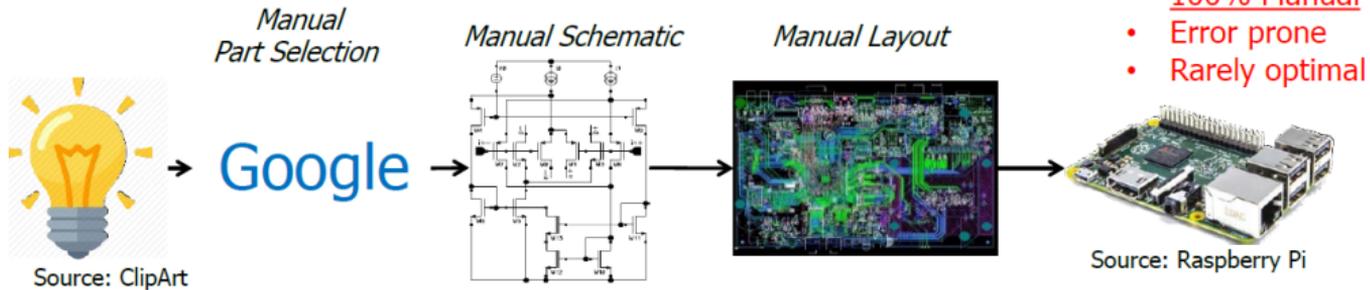
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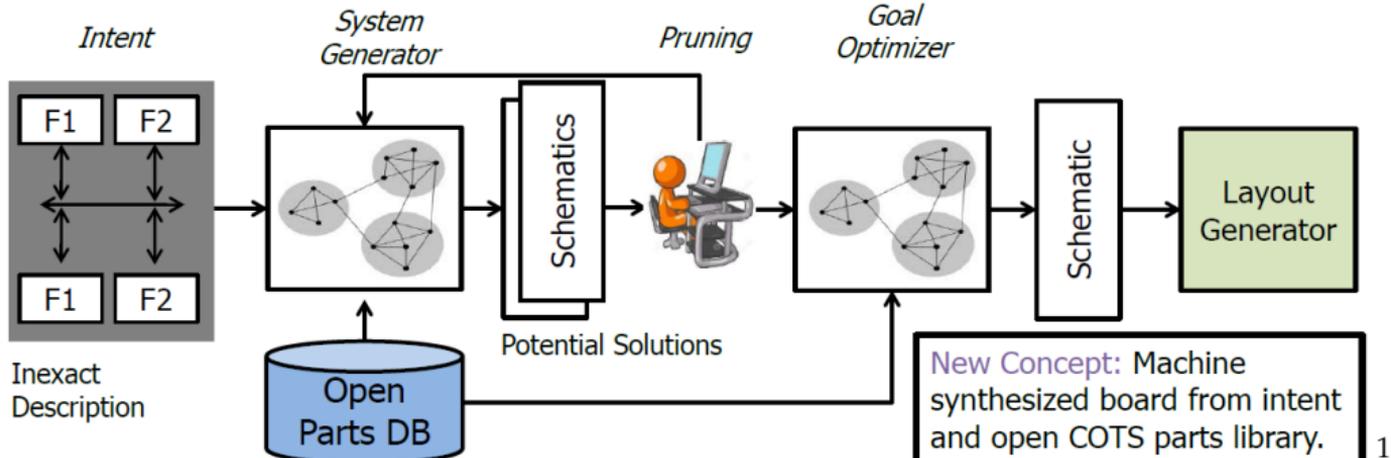
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Today



IDEA

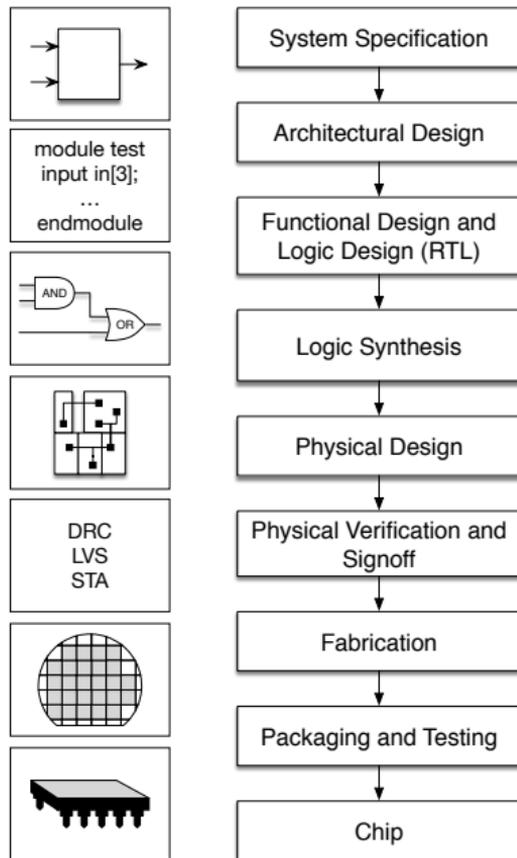




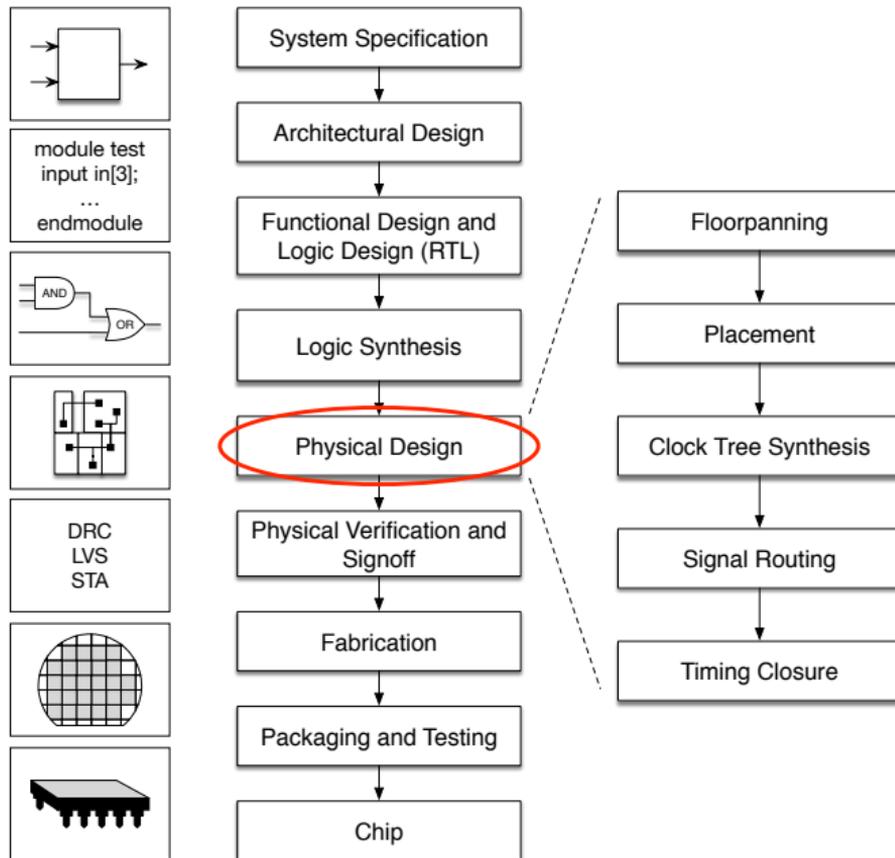
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- 3 Integrating Deep Learning
- 4 Integrating Deep Learning Engine
- 5 On Irregular Structure Learning: Graph Learning

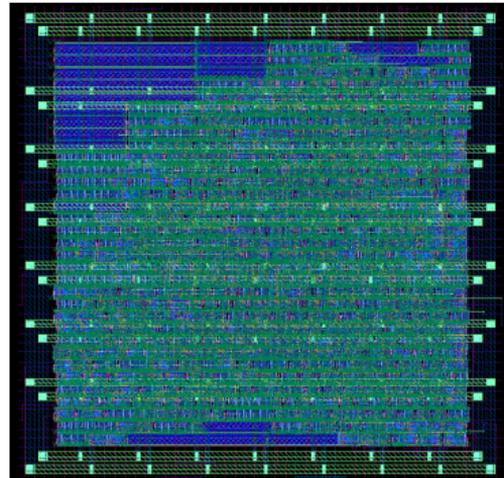
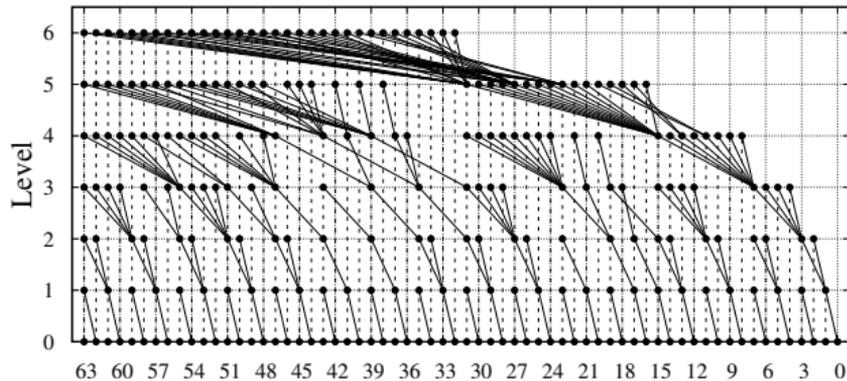
Active Learning

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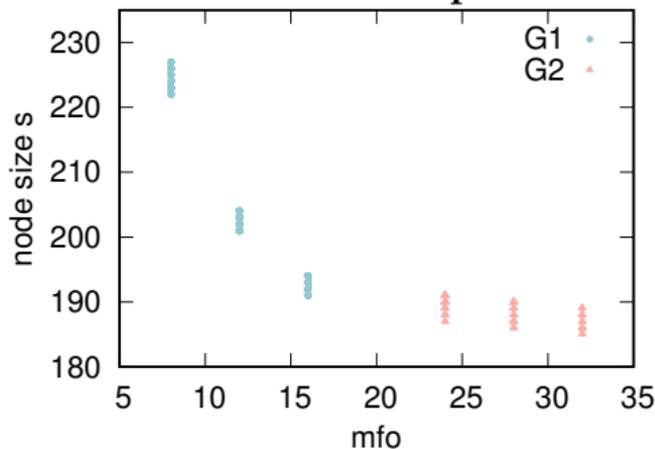


Case Study: Adder Design

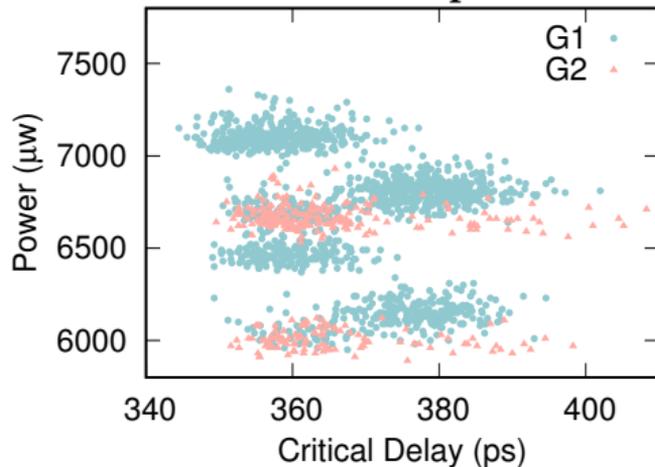
- Logic synthesis v.s. physical synthesis
- Constraints mapping between two synthesis stages is difficult.



Front-End Team Perspective:



Back-End Team Perspective:

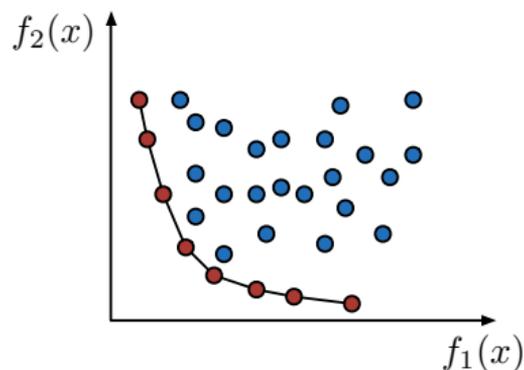


- Run design tools with all solutions is time-consuming.
- For 3K solutions, running time is $3000 \times 5 = 15K$ mins.
- What we care: **Pareto Frontier Curve**

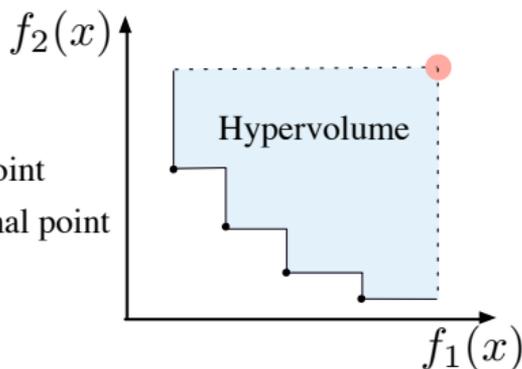


Pareto Frontier

- All the points are not dominated by any other point.
- Evaluation: Hyper-volume.
 - Size of the region bounded by the Pareto frontier and reference point.
 - Each dimension of reference point is the maximum value on that dimension.



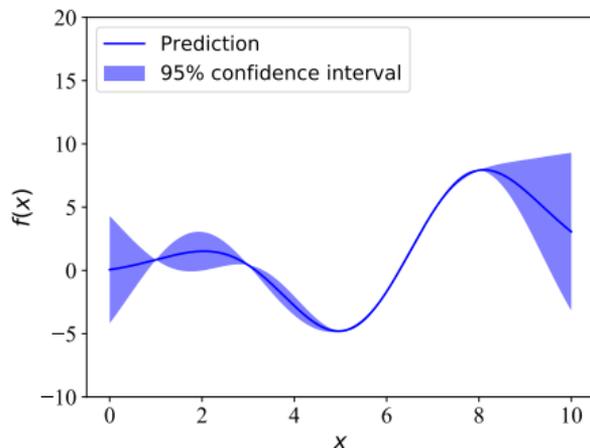
- Reference point
- Pareto-optimal point





Regression

- Gaussian process model;
- A prediction consists of a mean and a variance;
- Off-the-shelf library for implementation.



¹Y. Ma, S. Roy, J. Miao, J. Chen and B. Yu, "Cross-Layer Optimization for High Speed Adders: A Pareto Driven Machine Learning Approach", TCAD'19.



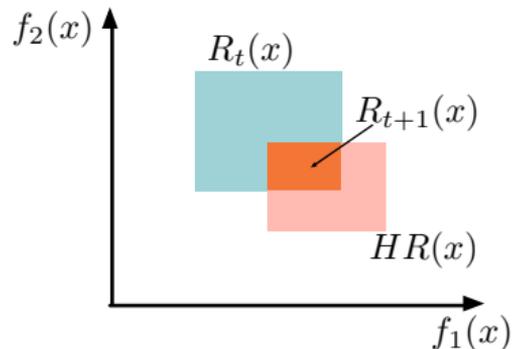
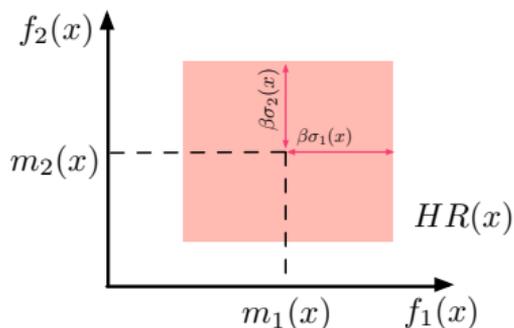
Uncertainty

- Given the prediction (m, σ) , a hyper-rectangle is defined as

$$HR(x) = \{y : m_i(x) - \beta\sigma_i(x) \leq y_i \leq m_i(x) + \beta\sigma_i(x)\}$$

- The uncertainty region is defined as:

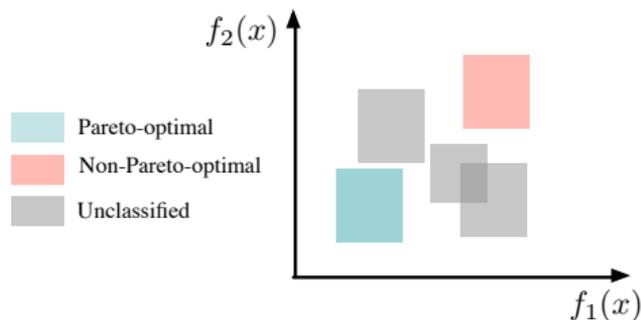
$$R_{t+1}(x) = R_t(x) \cap HR(x)$$

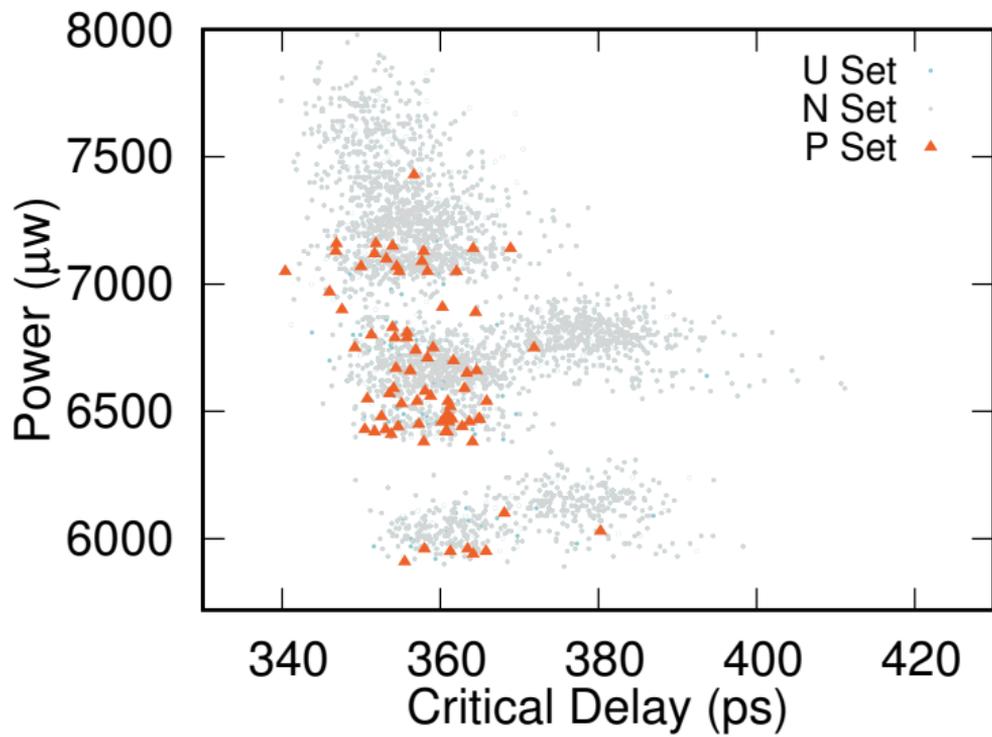


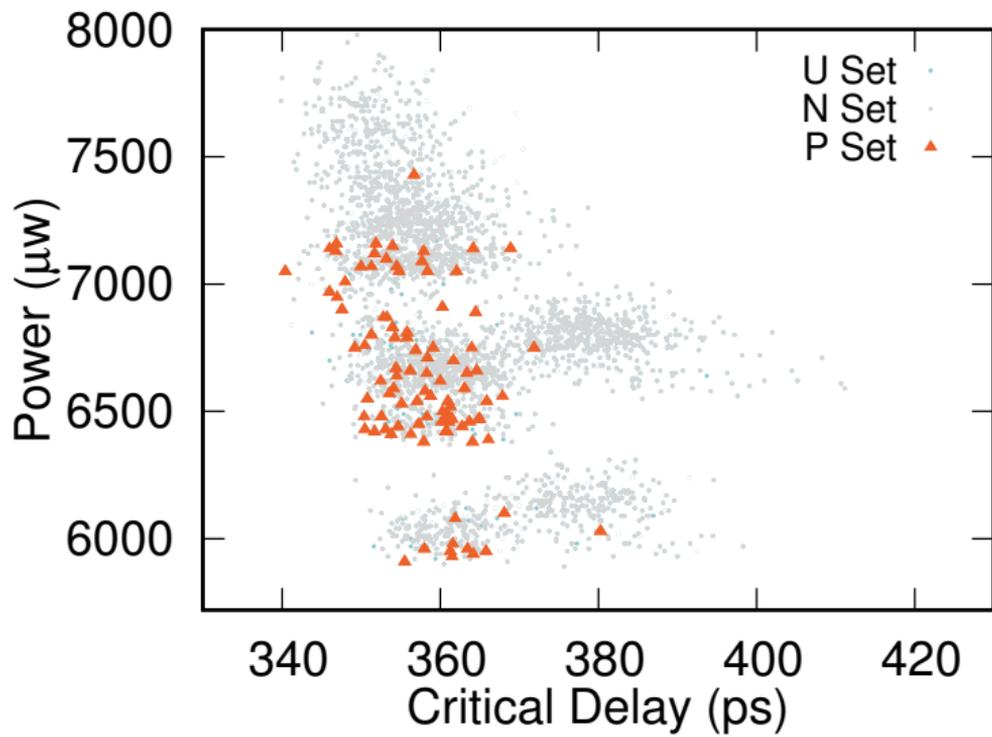


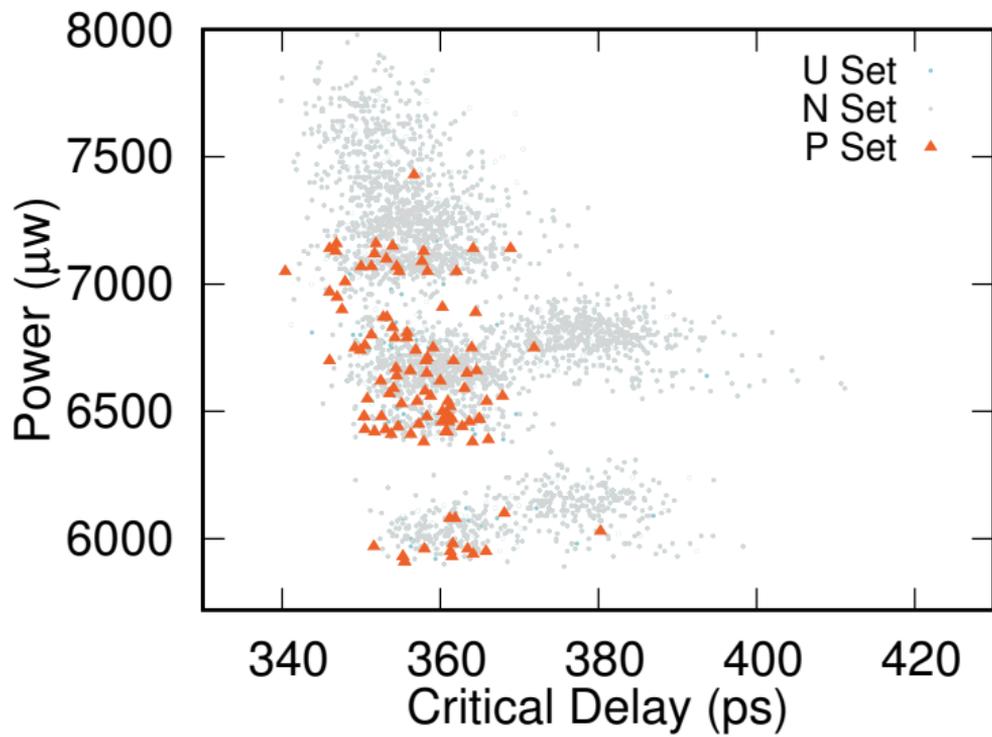
Classification

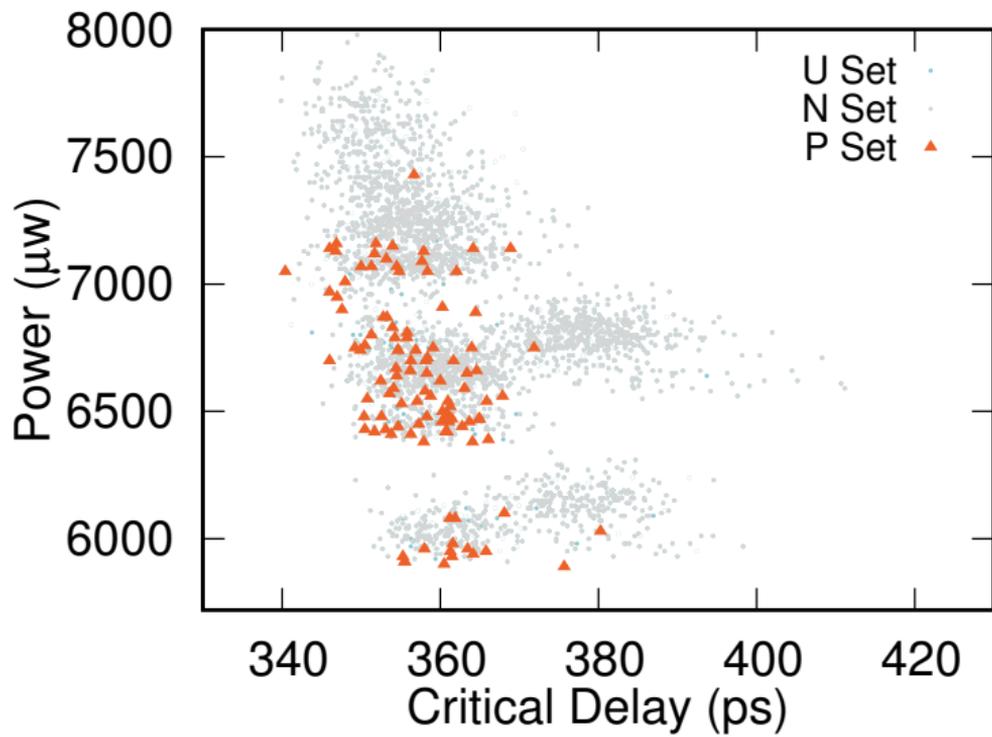
$$x \in \begin{cases} P, & \text{if } \max(R_t(x)) \leq \min(R_t(x')) + \delta, \\ N, & \text{if } \max(R_t(x')) \leq \min(R_t(x)) + \delta, \\ U, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

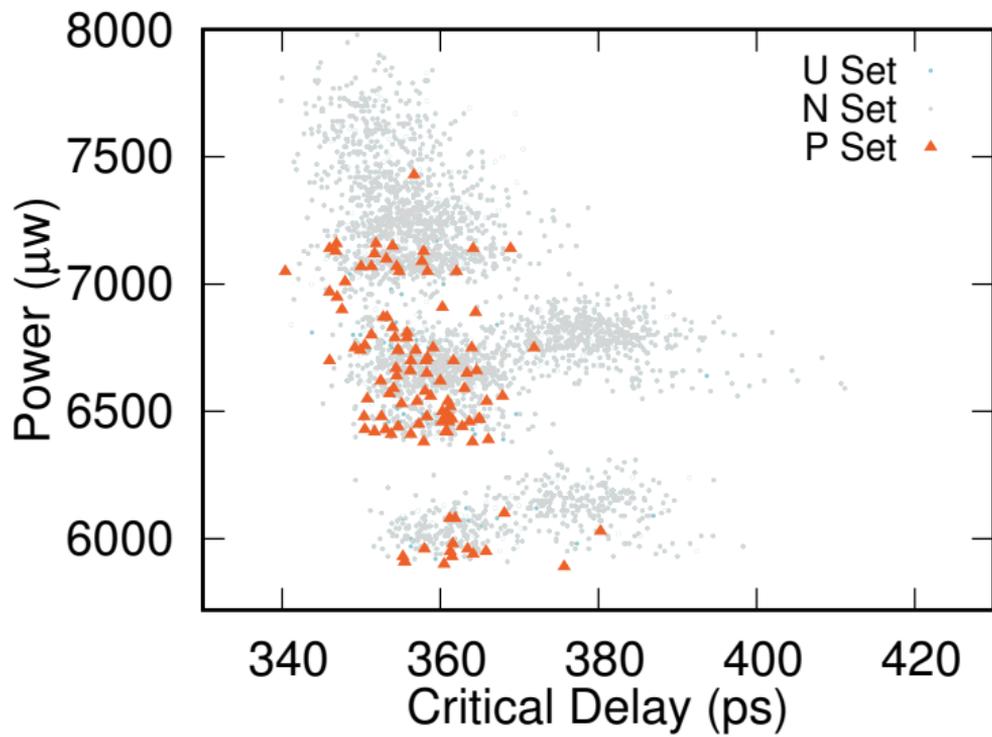


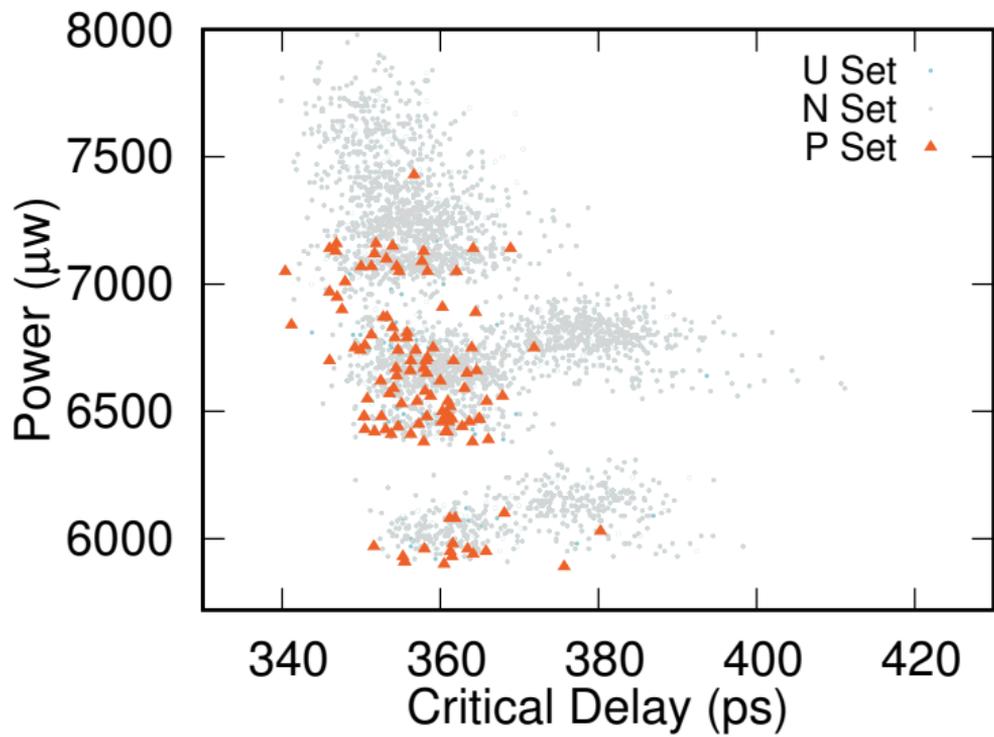


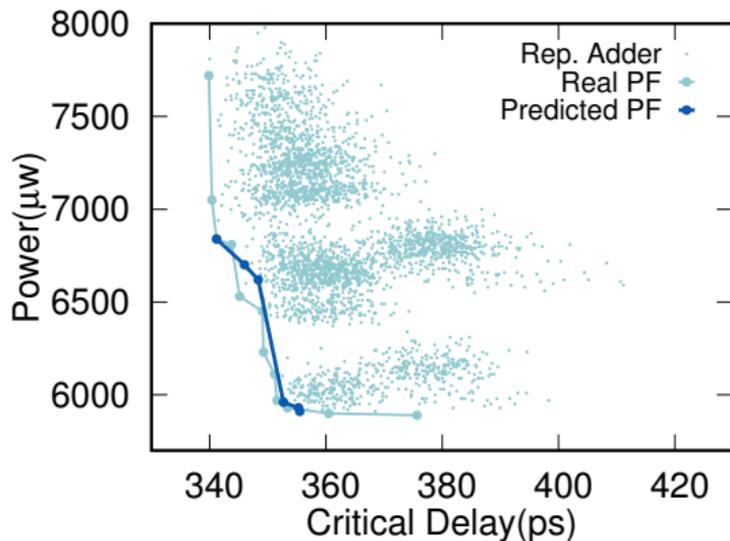
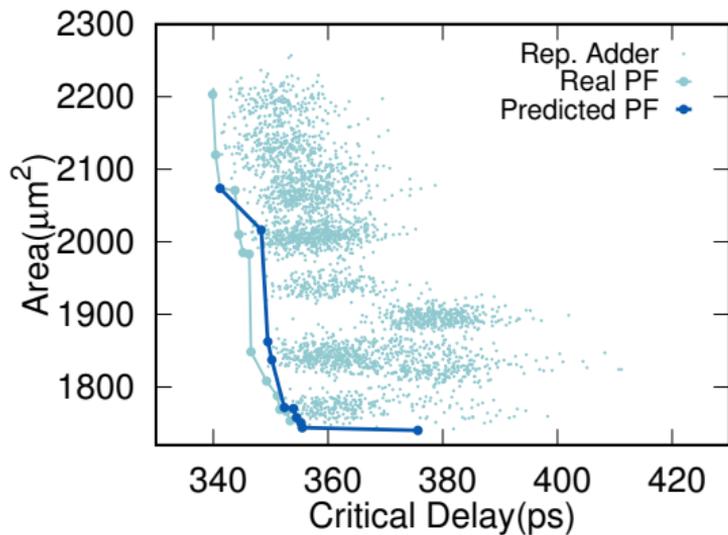


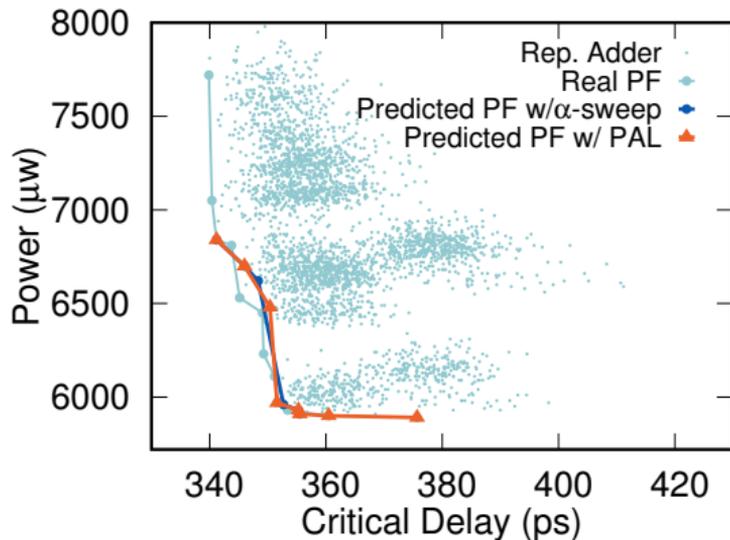
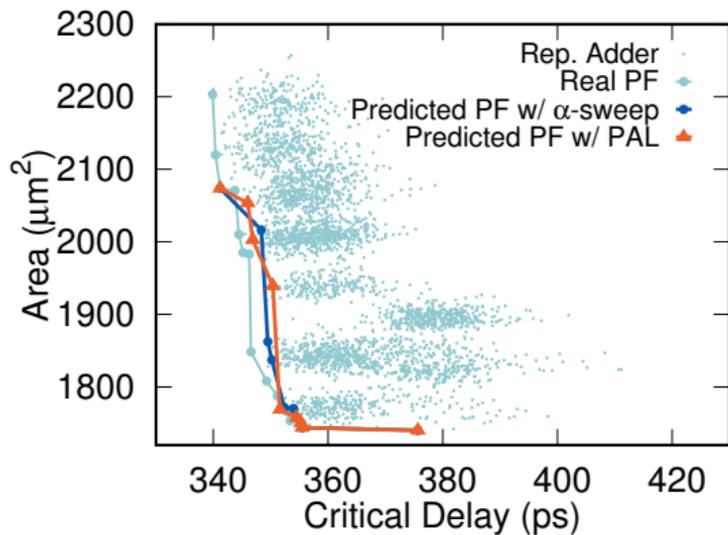


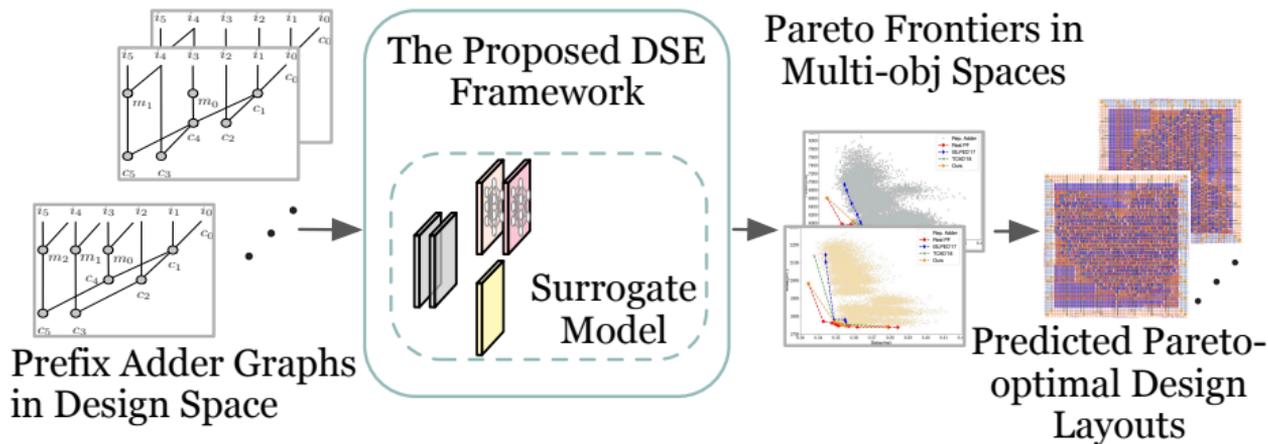






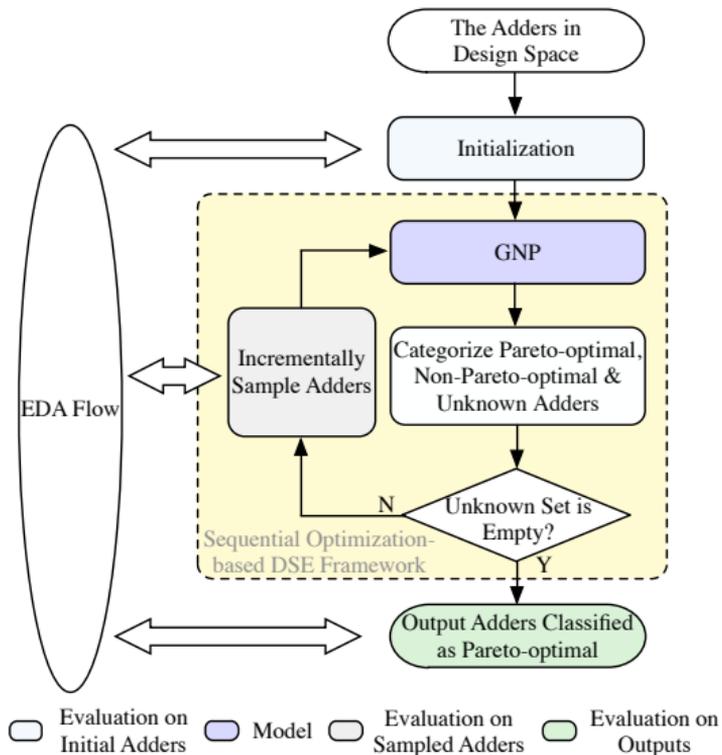




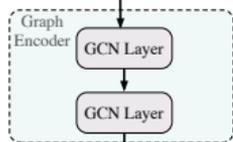
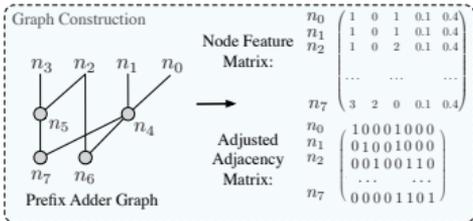
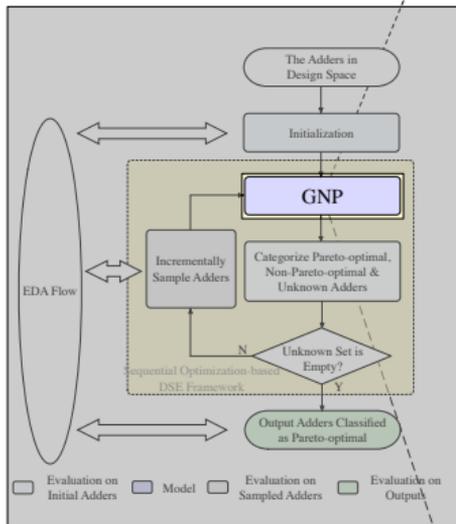


The adder design space exploration.

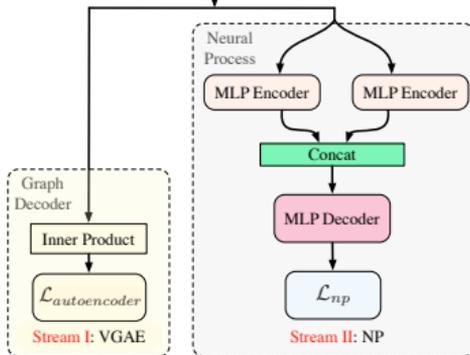
Our solution: Overview (I) [TCAD'21]



Our solution: Overview (II) [TCAD'21]



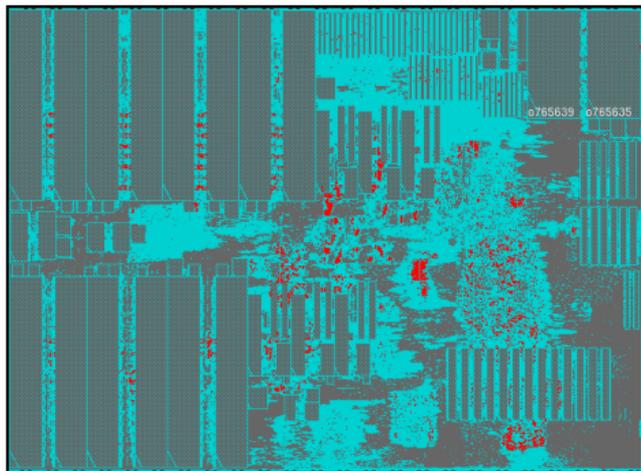
Latent Feature Vector of Adder Design



Output: Reconstructed Adjusted Adjacency Matrix

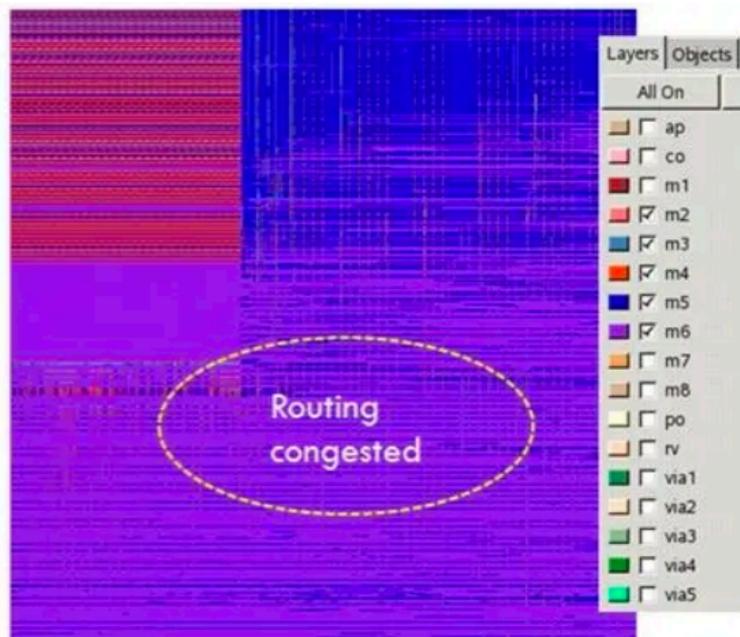
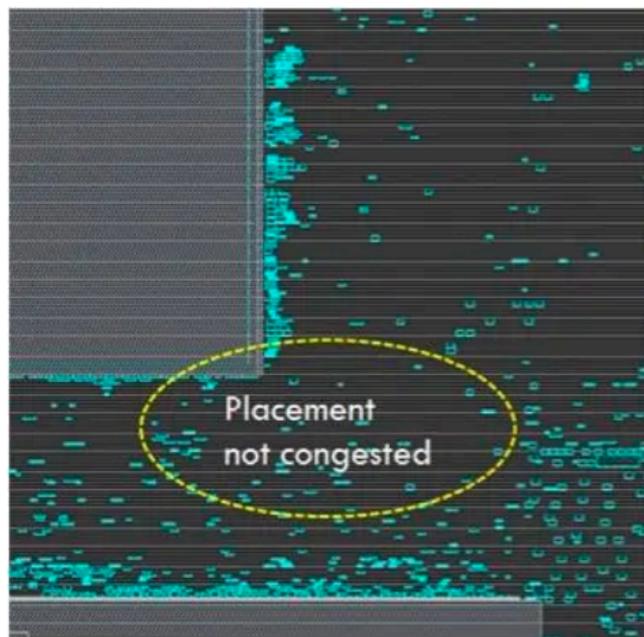
Output: Predicted QoR metric values with Uncertainties

Integrating Deep Learning

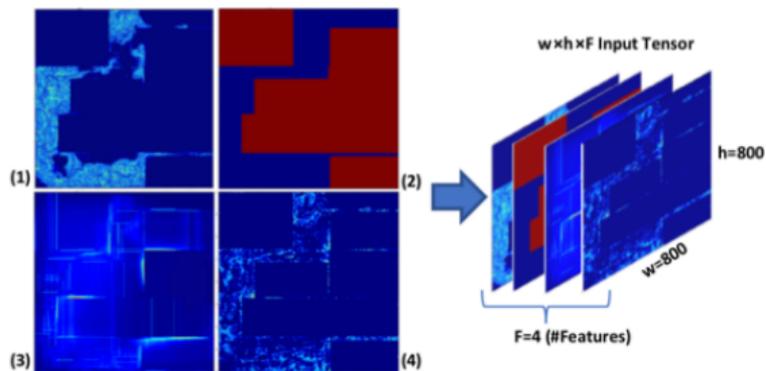


- Back-end is time consuming
- Accurate connectivity should be predictable
- Better estimation means efficient design-to-market budget

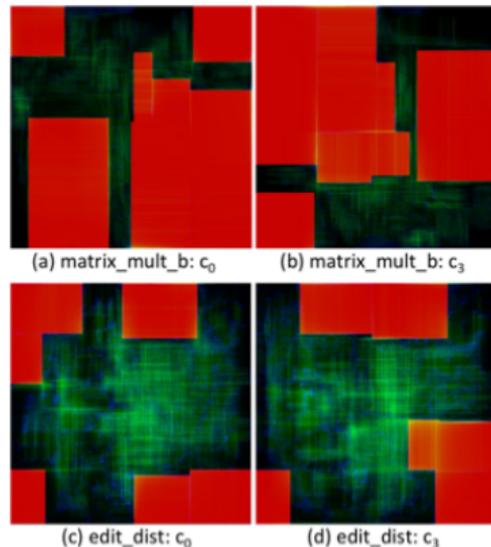
Complicated Relationship in Placement & Route



Features Extraction



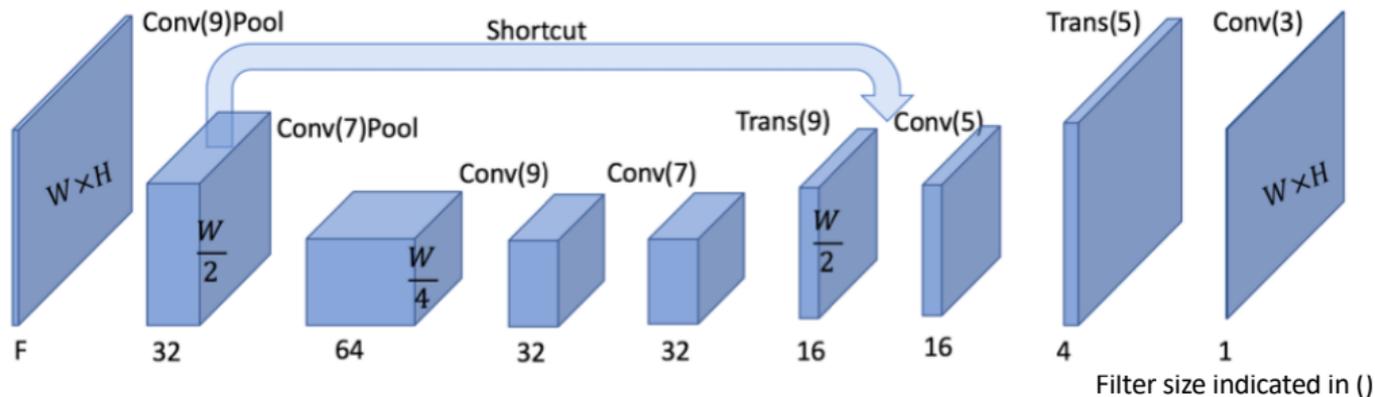
Input tensor constructed by stacking 2D features:
 (1) Pin density, (2) macro (3) long-range RUDY, (4) RUDY pins



Input features for #DRV prediction.
 Red: macro region
 Green: global long-range RUDY
 Blue: global RUDY pins

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Proposed Model - Hotspot Detection



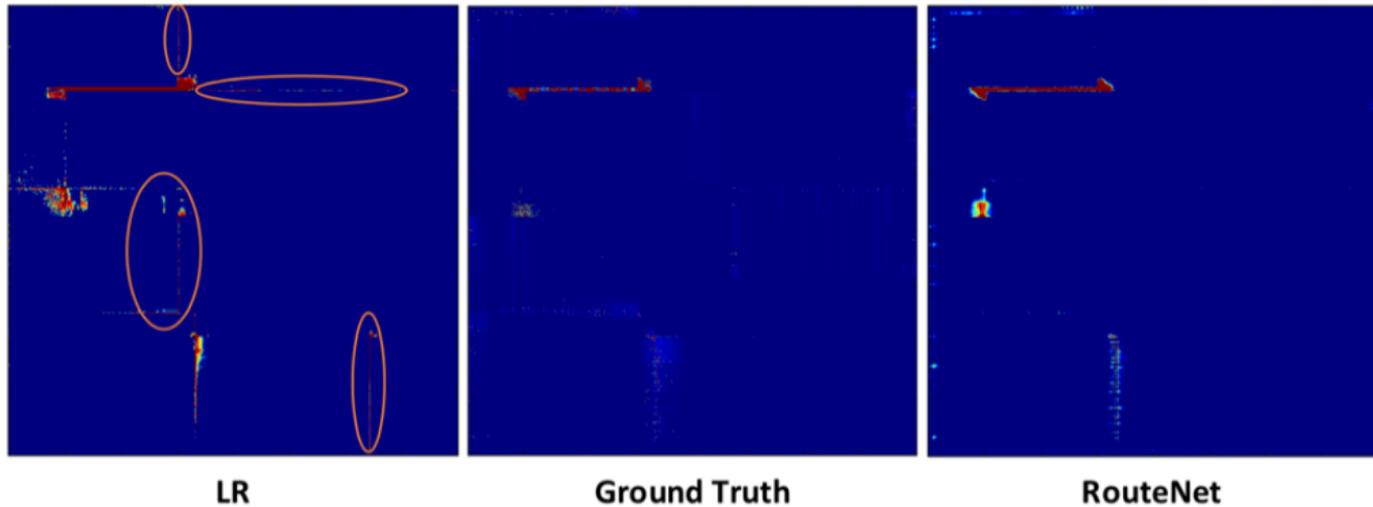
$$Y_{i_{mn}}^{clip} = \min(Y_{i_{mn}}, c)$$

$$Loss = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^w \sum_{n=1}^h \|f_{hotspot}(X_{i_{mn}}) - Y_{i_{mn}}^{clip}\|_2 + \lambda \|W\|_2$$

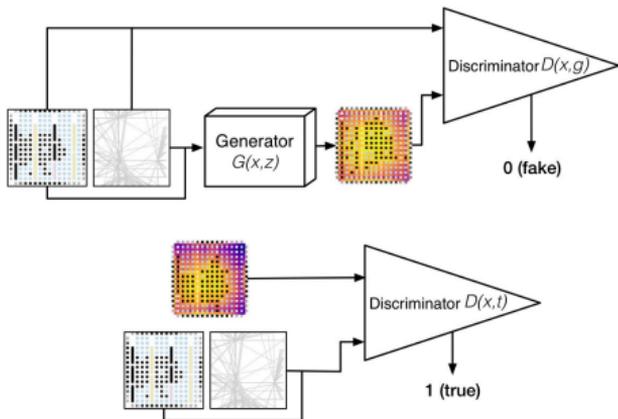
Pixel-wise loss function

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DRC Hotspot Detection Evaluation

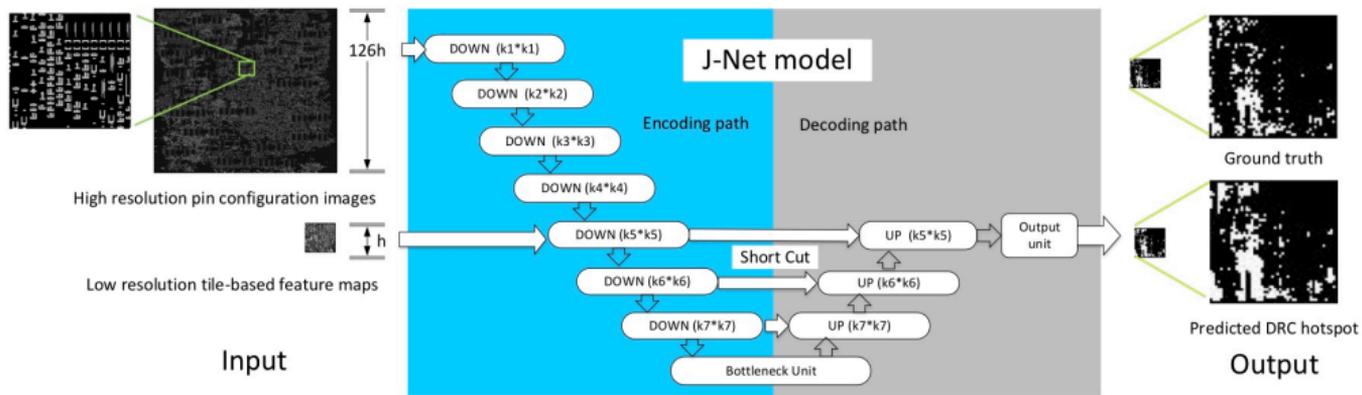


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- The inputs of this network include $image_{place}$ and $image_{connect}$;
- The target image is the routing heat map $image_{route}$;
- It only uses the post-placement information without routing information.

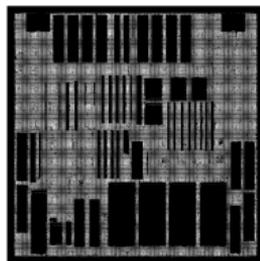
⁴Yu+, "Painting on Placement: Forecasting Routing Congestion using Conditional Generative Adversarial Nets", DAC'19.



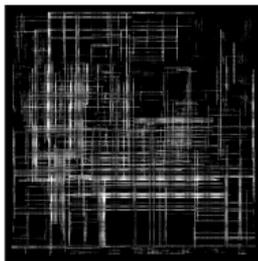
⁵Hung+, "Transforming global routing report into drc violation map with convolutional neural network", ISPD'20.



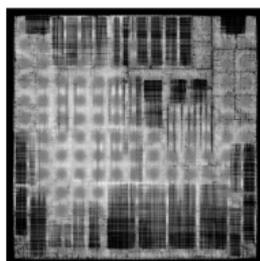
Capacity



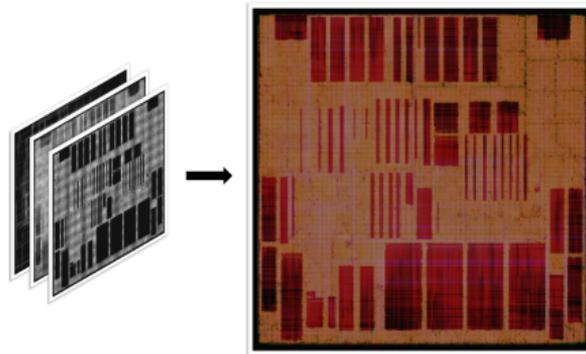
Pin number



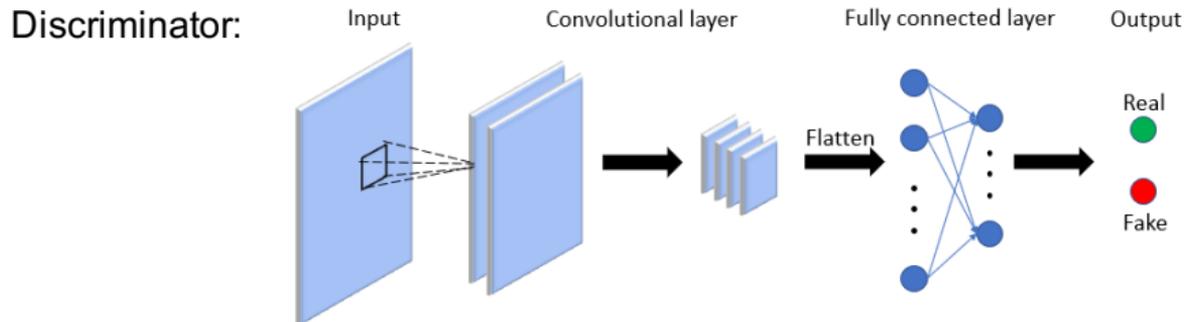
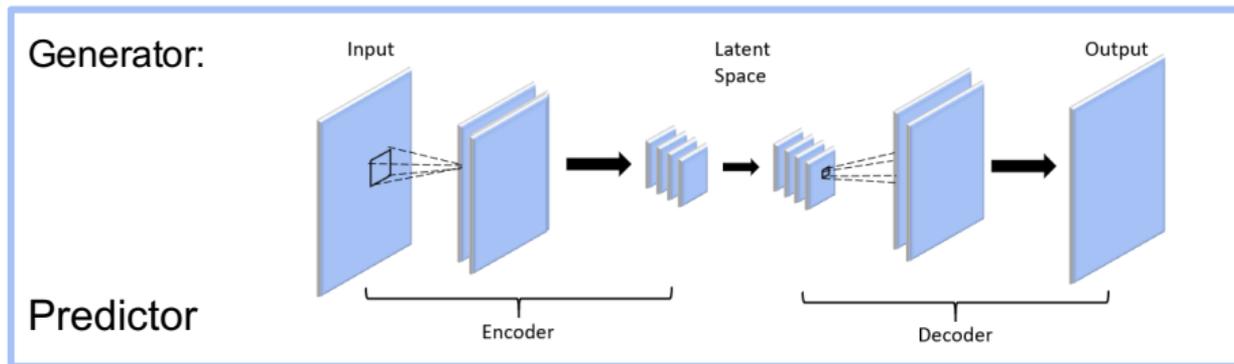
Net density



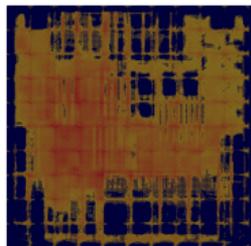
Congestion



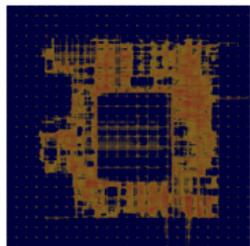
Feed features into different RGB channels



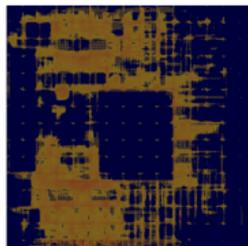
Predicted Congestion Comparison



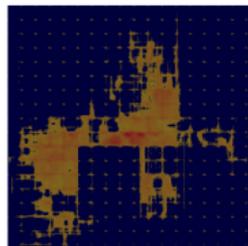
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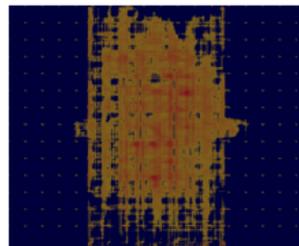
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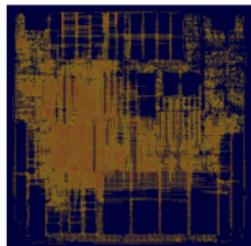
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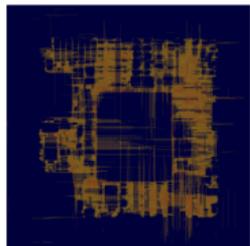
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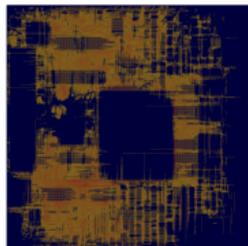
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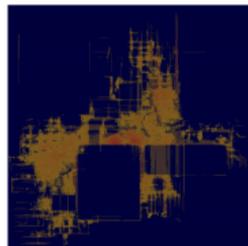
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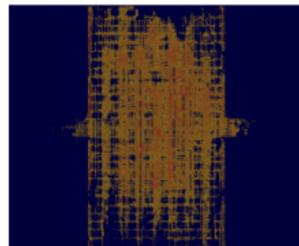
(g) adaptec3



(h) adaptec5



(i) bigblue3



(j) newblue2

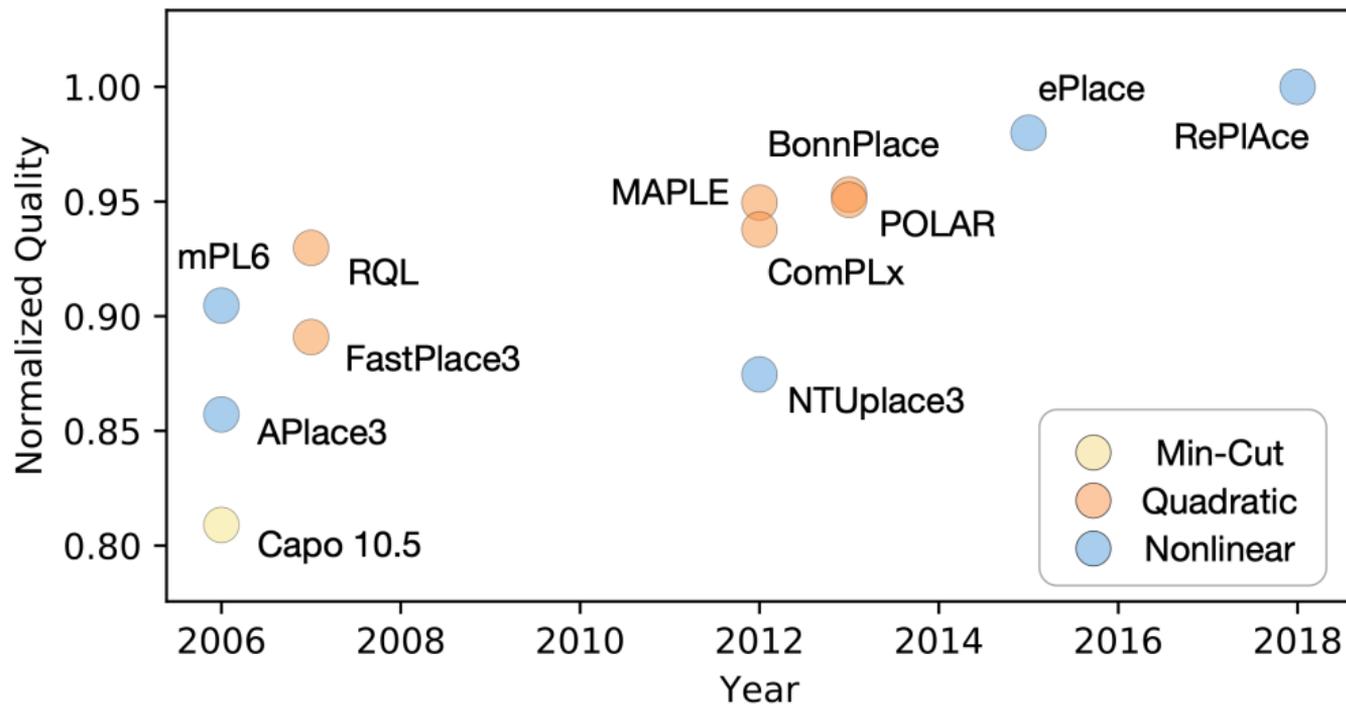
Top row: predicted congestion map; Bottom row: actual congestion map.



	NTUgr2			NCTU-gr			NTHU-Route 2.0			Ours		
	TOF	WL	T(s)	TOF	WL	T(s)	TOF	WL	T(s)	TOF	WL	T(s)
a1	0	5.60	177.2	0	5.44	102.53	0	5.36	207.11	0	5.38	207.37
a3	0	13.41	157.7	0	13.11	154	0	13.15	225.84	0	13.10	263.89
a4	0	12.29	59.2	0	12.19	63.6	0	12.17	56.11	0	12.23	77.29
a5	0	16.03	520.4	0	15.95	381.71	0	15.53	549.98	0	15.64	611.39
b1	0	5.85	428.4	0	5.97	204.32	0	5.57	406.78	0	5.60	283.41
n2	0	7.66	27.6	0	7.59	35.73	0	7.59	30.82	0	7.59	30.65
n6	0	18.55	487.3	0	18.27	238.72	0	17.69	968.39	0	17.67	439.83
a2	0	5.36	39.8	0	5.27	36.02	2	5.23	93.4	0	5.24	51.23
n5	0	23.90	1220.1	0	23.46	281.47	18	23.14	721.52	0	23.21	399.4
b3	0	13.47	206	0	13.17	99.4	32	13.07	307.45	0	13.10	126.38
b2	2	9.42	6616.8	4	9.10	171.35	84	9.00	400.29	8	9.01	189.17
n1	38	4.87	14339.2	108	4.70	120.39	144	4.60	483.1	18	4.63	140.05
n4	148	13.55	16327.4	172	13.00	158.86	242	12.88	1032.89	172	12.90	449.65
b4	212	23.96	4478.6	512	23.17	277.64	266	22.78	2145.56	160	22.74	930.7
n3	31136	17.96	36325.5	37182	10.80	21053	n/a	n/a	>24 hrs	31050	10.70	2603.55
Total	31536	191.90	81411.2	37978	181.19	23378.74	>788	>167.78	>86400.00	31606	178.74	6803.96
Ratio	1.01	1.07	11.97	1.21	1.02	3.44	n/a	n/a	n/a	1.00	1.00	1.00

⁶Z. Zhou, Z. Zhu, J. Chen, Y. Ma, B. Yu, T. Ho, G. Lemieux and A. Ivanov, "Congestion-aware Global Routing using Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Networks", MLCAD'19.

Integrating Deep Learning Engine





$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} & \text{WL}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \\ \text{s.t.} & D(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \leq t_d \end{array} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{Objective of nonlinear placement}$$
$$\min \underbrace{\left(\sum_{e \in E} \text{WL}(e; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \right)}_{\text{Wirelength}} + \lambda \underbrace{D(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}_{\text{Density}}$$

Challenges of Nonlinear Placement

Low efficiency

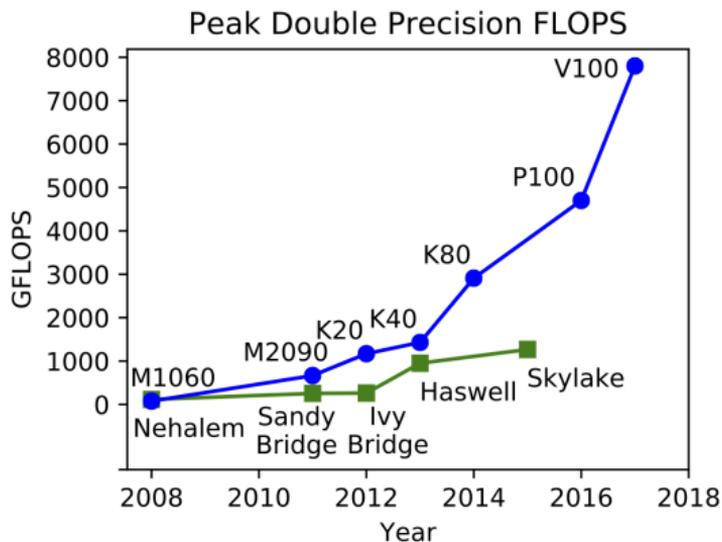
- >3h for 10M-cell design

Limited acceleration

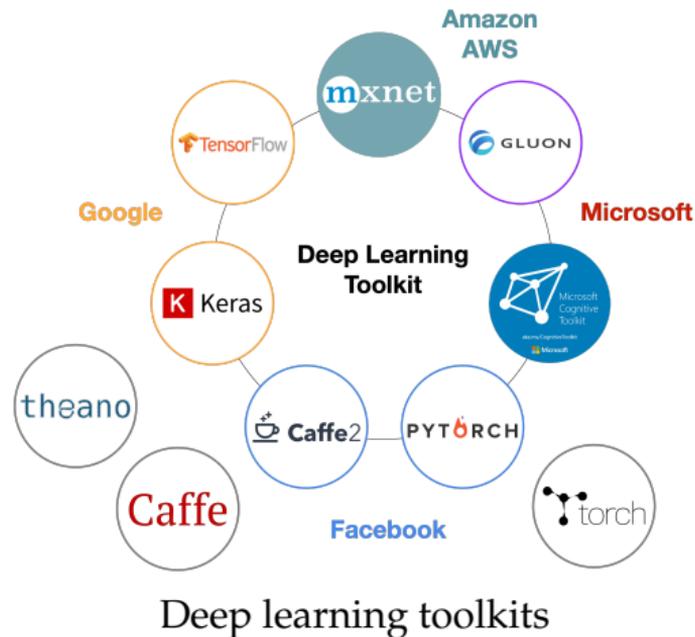
- Limited speedup, e.g. mPL, due to clustering

Huge development effort

- >1year for ePlace/RePLAce



Over **60x** speedup in neural network training since 2013





DREAMPlace Strategies

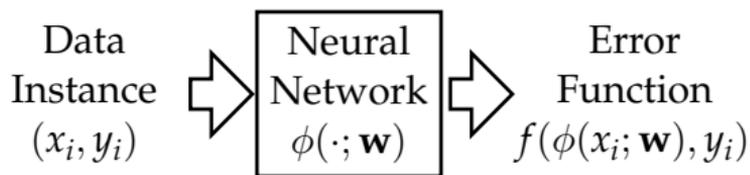
- Cast the non-linear placement problem into a neural network training problem.
- Leverage deep learning hardware (GPU) and software toolkit (e.g. PyTorch)
- Enable ultra-high parallelism and acceleration while getting the state-of-the-art results.

⁷Lin+, "DREAMPlace: Deep Learning Toolkit-Enabled GPU Acceleration for Modern VLSI Placement", DAC'19.



$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_i^n f(\phi(x_i; \mathbf{w}), y_i) + \lambda R(\mathbf{w})$$

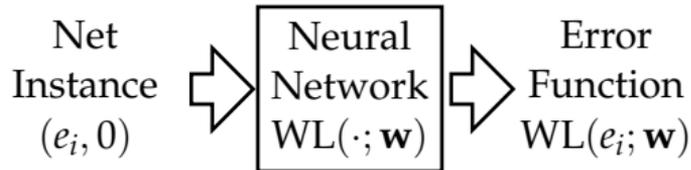
Forward Propagation
Compute obj



Backward Propagation
Compute gradient $\frac{\partial \text{obj}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$

Train a neural network

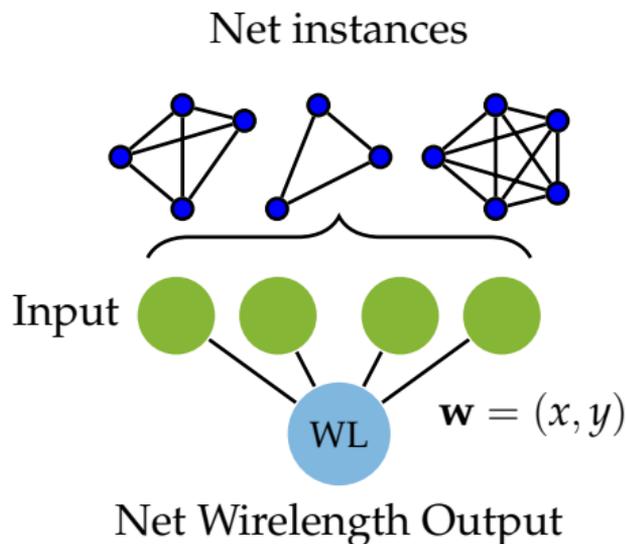
$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_i^n \text{WL}(\phi(x_i; \mathbf{w}), y_i) + \lambda D(\mathbf{w})$$



Solve a placement



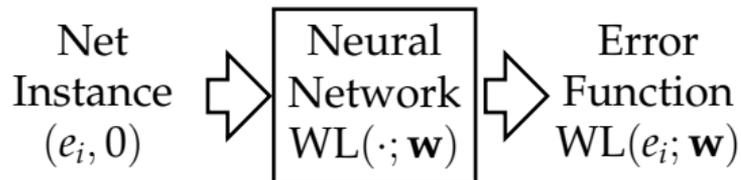
Casting the placement problem into neural network training



Train a neural network

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_i^n \text{WL}(e_i; \mathbf{w}) + \lambda D(\mathbf{w})$$

Forward Propagation
Compute obj

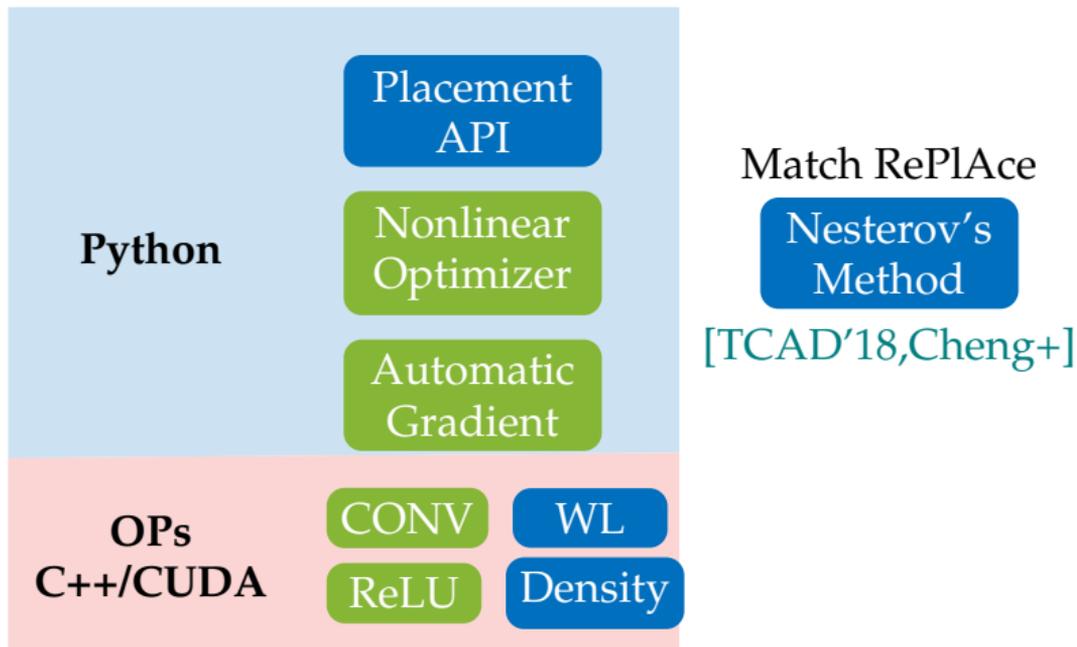


Backward Propagation
Compute gradient $\frac{\partial \text{obj}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$

Solve a placement



Leverage highly optimized deep learning toolkit PyTorch



⁸Cheng+, "RePlAce: Advancing solution quality and routability validation in global placement", TCAD'18.



DREAMPlace

- CPU: Intel E5-2698 v4 @2.20GHz
- GPU: 1 NVIDIA Tesla V100
- Single CPU thread was used

RePIAce [TCAD'18, Cheng+]

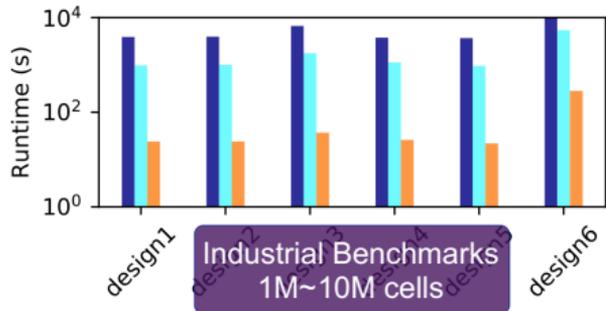
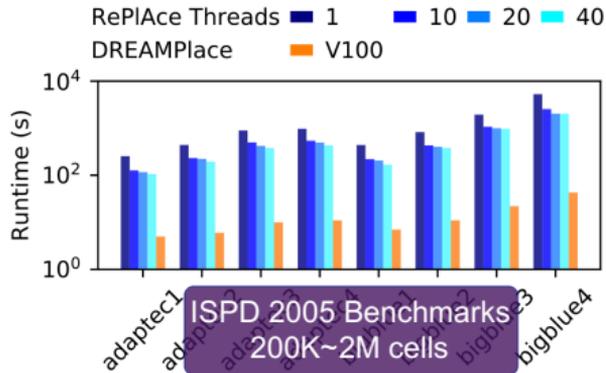
- CPU: 24-core 3.0 GHz Intel Xeon
- 64GB memory allocated

Same quality of results!

10M-cell design finishes within **5min c.f. 3h**

34x
speedup

43x
speedup





New Solvers

SGD, ADAM, etc.

New Objectives

Routability, timing, etc.

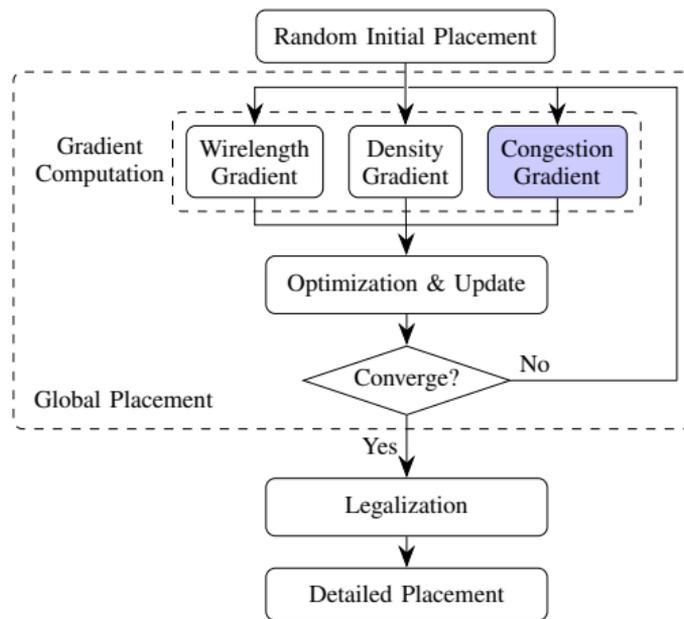
**DREAM
BIGGER**

Gate sizing,
floorplanning,
...

Multi-GPU,
distributed computing,
mixed precision,
...

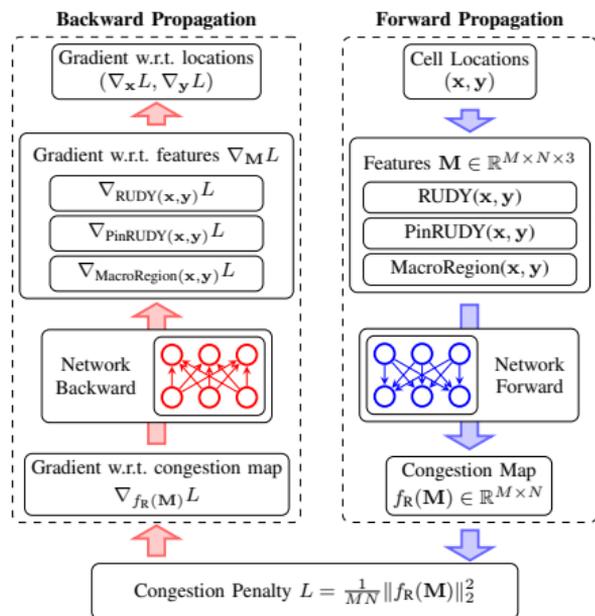
Applicable to Other
CAD Problems

New Accelerations



Overall Flow

⁹S. Liu, Q. Sun, P. Liao, Y. Lin and B. Yu, "Global placement with deep learning-enabled explicit routability optimization", DATE'21.



- Features Extraction:

$RUDY(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}); PinRUDY(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}); MacroRegion(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}).$

$$\mathbf{M} : \mathbb{R}^{|\mathbf{x}|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathbf{y}|} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{M \times N \times 3}.$$

- Prediction Network:

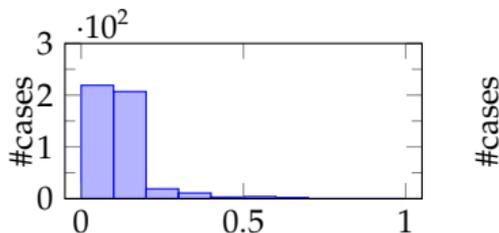
$$f_{\mathbf{R}} : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^{M \times N \times 3} \longrightarrow \mathcal{Y} \subset \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}.$$

- Congestion Penalty Computation:

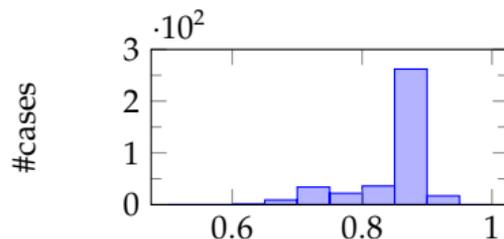
$$L(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{MN} \|\mathbf{X}\|_2^2.$$

- Mathematical Expression:

$$L(f_{\mathbf{R}}(\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})))$$



(a) NRMS statistics.



(b) SSIM statistics.

Prediction model evaluation.

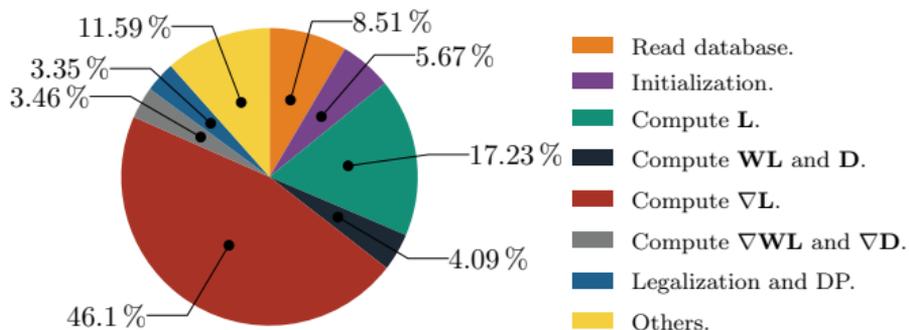




Table: Experiment results on ISPD 2015 benchmarks.

Benchmark	NTUplace4dr ¹⁰				DREAMPlace ⁷				Ours			
	H-CR	V-CR	WL (e+06 um)	RT (s)	H-CR	V-CR	WL (e+06 um)	RT (s)	H-CR	V-CR	WL (e+06 um)	RT (s)
des_perf_1	0.101	0.038	1.32	331	0.143	0.129	1.23	10.868	0.153	0.126	1.23	44.07
des_perf_a	0.022	0.038	2.25	345	0.015	0.021	2.05	12.834	0.020	0.028	1.91	44.51
des_perf_b	0.001	0.002	1.75	349	0.005	0.010	1.71	11.829	0.004	0.010	1.71	45.99
fft_1	0.125	0.093	0.52	79	0.106	0.063	0.45	7.656	0.101	0.061	0.45	43.66
fft_2	0.821	0.002	0.53	113	0.664	0.006	0.44	7.636	0.665	0.006	0.44	48.05
fft_a	0.116	0.015	0.82	111	0.248	0.016	1.08	7.317	0.191	0.015	0.97	42.78
fft_b	0.211	0.067	1.05	101	0.177	0.026	1.21	7.942	0.142	0.047	1.12	46.81
matrix_mult_1	0.156	0.057	2.57	297	0.165	0.340	2.19	13.69	0.168	0.334	2.19	52.9
matrix_mult_2	0.210	0.073	2.41	344	0.253	0.238	2.28	13.69	0.251	0.242	2.28	52.25
matrix_mult_a	0.017	0.028	3.65	374	0.145	0.113	5.45	15.30	0.020	0.024	3.49	47.91
matrix_mult_b	0.032	0.035	3.67	307	0.044	0.025	4.51	14.91	0.020	0.028	3.47	50.5
matrix_mult_c	48.956	29.719	126.71	2674	0.089	0.017	4.87	14.38	0.029	0.016	3.42	48.41
pci_bridge32_a	0.110	0.056	0.54	121	0.192	0.098	0.52	7.33	0.076	0.036	0.43	44.64
pci_bridge32_b	0.001	0.004	0.77	95	0.001	0.005	0.83	8.08	0.002	0.008	0.65	43.72
superblue12	0.034	0.495	46.70	10813	0.125	0.374	38.1	96.18	0.131	0.379	36.46	547.8
superblue14	0.064	0.056	29.50	7010	0.041	0.051	26.1	54.26	0.055	0.081	25.28	168.35
superblue16_a	0.186	0.031	33.40	7068	0.090	0.013	28.2	54.92	0.164	0.028	28.70	170.21
superblue19	0.022	0.089	20.50	7890	0.033	0.093	17.0	42.23	0.039	0.091	16.70	97.84
Average	0.131	0.069	8.94	2102.82	0.141	0.091	7.68	22.28	0.124	0.087	7.27	91.13

Achieve up to 9.05% reduction in the congestion rate and 5.30% reduction in routed wirelength compared with DREAMPlace and NTUplace4dr.

¹⁰Huang+, "NTUplace4dr: a detailed-routing-driven placer for mixed-size circuit designs with technology and region constraints", TCAD'17.

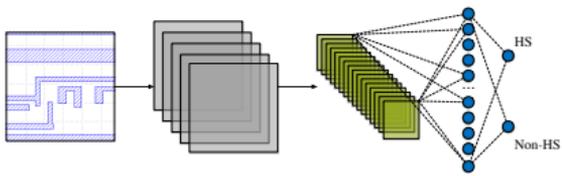
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Graph Learning

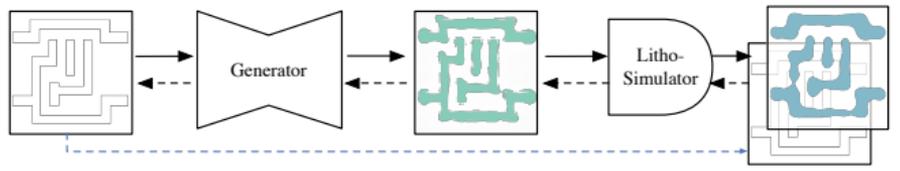


Challenge: Irregular Structure Learning

- Verification [Yang et.al TCAD'2018]

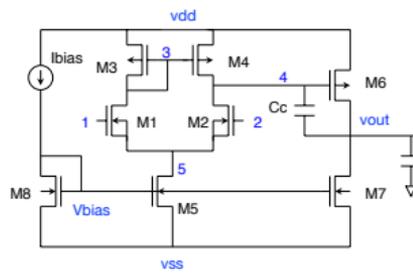


- Mask optimization [Yang et.al DAC'2018]



More Considerations

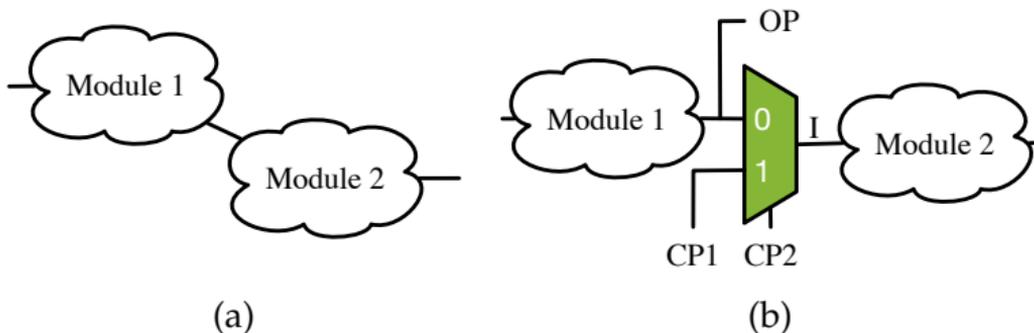
- Existing attempts still rely on regular format of data, like images;
- Netlists and layouts are naturally represented as graphs;
- Few DL solutions for graph-based problems in EDA.



Example 1: Test Points Insertion

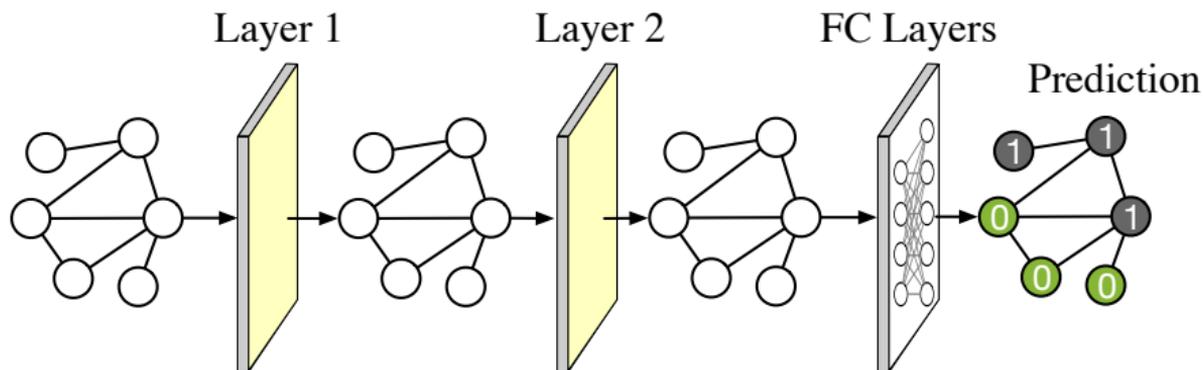


- Fig. (a): Original circuit with bad testability. Module 1 is unobservable. Module 2 is uncontrollable;
- Fig. (b): Insert test points to the circuit;
- $(CP1, CP2) = (0, 1) \rightarrow \text{line I} = 0$; $(CP1, CP2) = (1, 1) \rightarrow \text{line I} = 1$;
- $CP2 = 0 \rightarrow \text{normal operation mode}$.



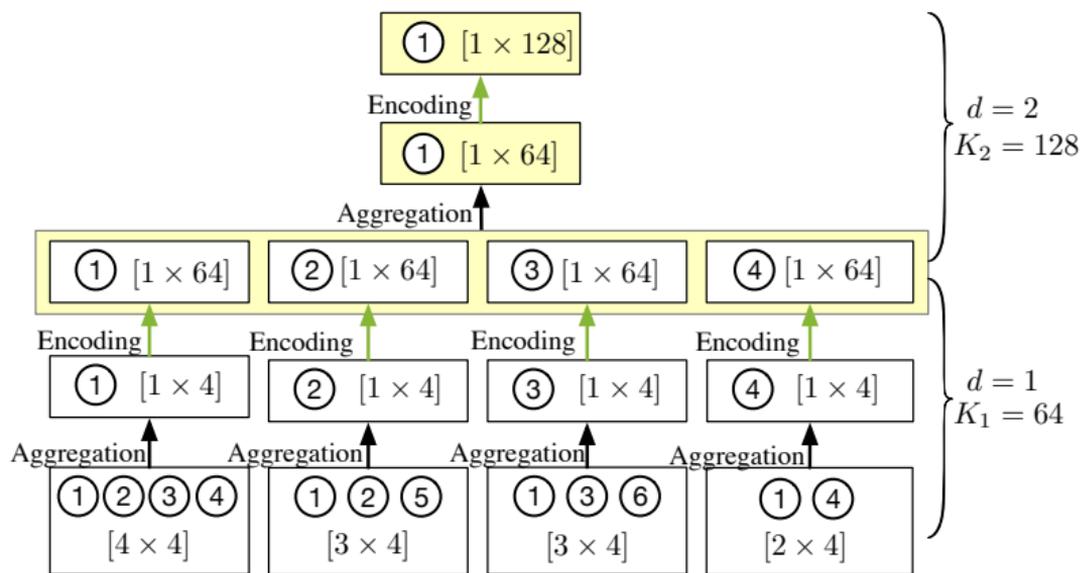
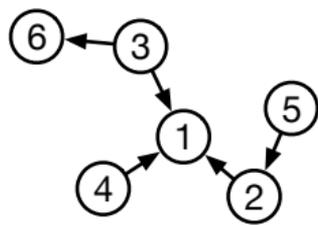


- Represent a netlist as a directed graph. Each node represents a gate.
- Initial node attributes: SCOAP values¹².
- Graph convolutional networks: compute node embeddings first, then perform classification.



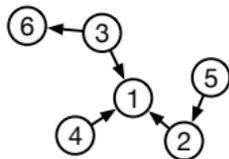
¹²Goldstein+, "SCOAP: Sandia Controllability/Observability Analysis Program", DAC'80.

¹¹Y. Ma, H. Ren, and B. Khailany, H. Sikka, L. Luo, K. Natarajan, and B. Yu, "High Performance Graph Convolutional Networks with Applications in Testability Analysis", DAC'19.





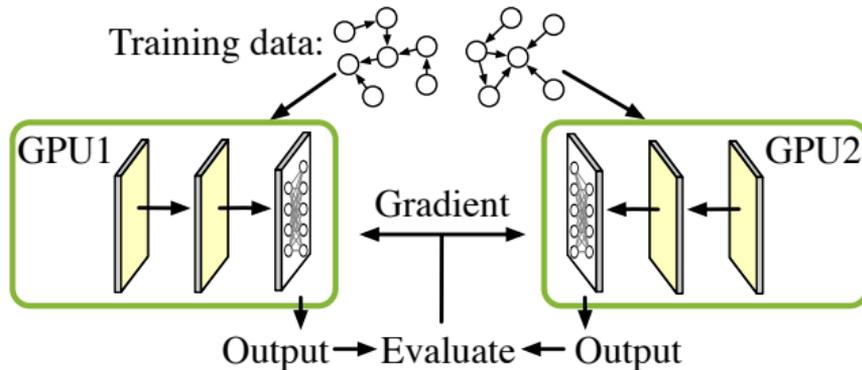
- Neighborhood overlap leads to duplicated computation → poor scalability.
- Transform weighted summation to matrix multiplication.
- Potential issue: adjacency matrix is too large.
- Fact: adjacency matrix is highly sparse! It can be stored using **compressed format**.



$$\mathbf{G}_d = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{d-1} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & w_1 & w_1 & w_1 & 0 & 0 \\ w_2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & w_1 & 0 \\ w_2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & w_2 \\ w_2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & w_1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_{d-1}^{(1)} \\ \mathbf{e}_{d-1}^{(2)} \\ \mathbf{e}_{d-1}^{(3)} \\ \mathbf{e}_{d-1}^{(4)} \\ \mathbf{e}_{d-1}^{(5)} \\ \mathbf{e}_{d-1}^{(6)} \end{bmatrix}$$



- Adjacency matrix cannot be split as conventional way.
- A variant of conventional data-parallel scheme.
 - Each GPU process one graph instead of one "chunk";
 - Gather all to calculate the gradient.



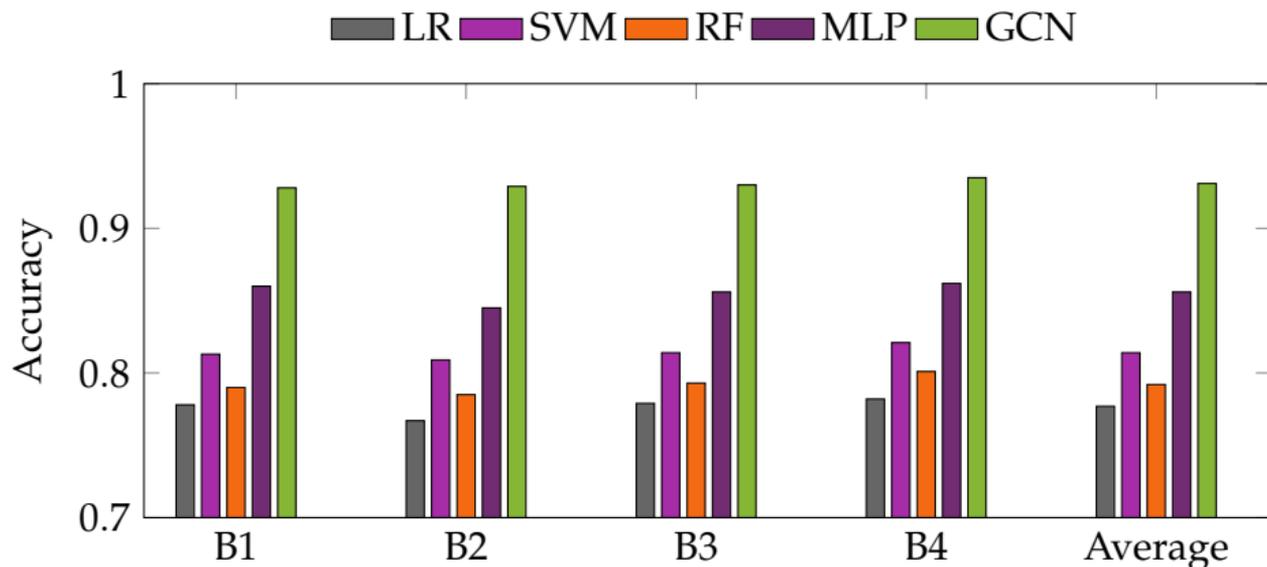


- Industrial designs under 12nm technology node.
- Each graph contains $> 1\text{M}$ nodes and $> 2\text{M}$ edges.

Design	#Nodes	#Edges	#POS	#NEG
B1	1384264	2102622	8894	1375370
B2	1456453	2182639	9755	1446698
B3	1416382	2137364	9043	1407338
B4	1397586	2124516	8978	1388608



- Baselines: classical learning models with feature engineering in industry;
- GCN outperforms other classical learning algorithms.

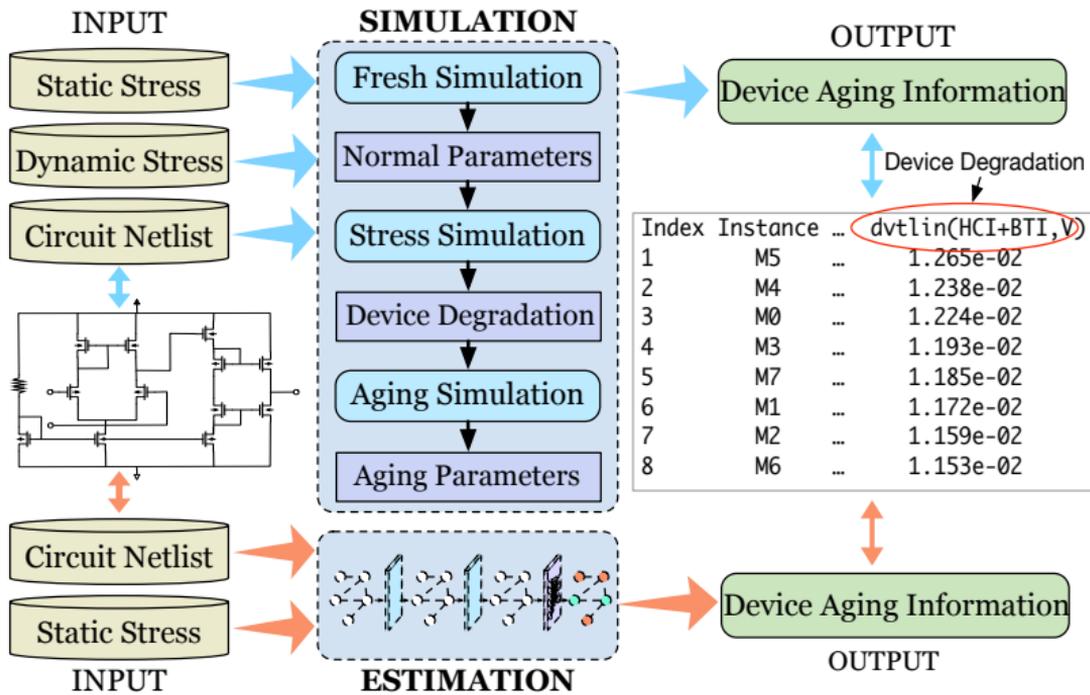




- Without loss on fault coverage, 11% reduction on test points inserted and 6% reduction on test pattern count are achieved.

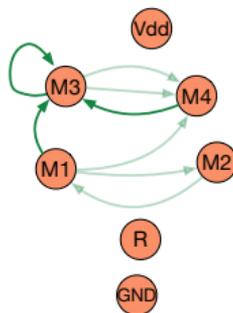
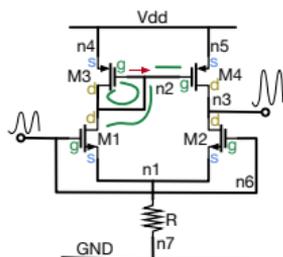
Design	Industrial Tool			GCN-Flow		
	#OPs	#PAs	Coverage	#OPs	#PAs	Coverage
B1	6063	1991	99.31%	5801	1687	99.31%
B2	6513	2009	99.39%	5736	2215	99.38%
B3	6063	2026	99.29%	4585	1845	99.29%
B4	6063	2083	99.30%	5896	1854	99.31%
Average	6176	2027	99.32%	5505	1900	99.32%
Ratio	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.89	0.94	1.00

Example 2: Aging Degradation Estimation

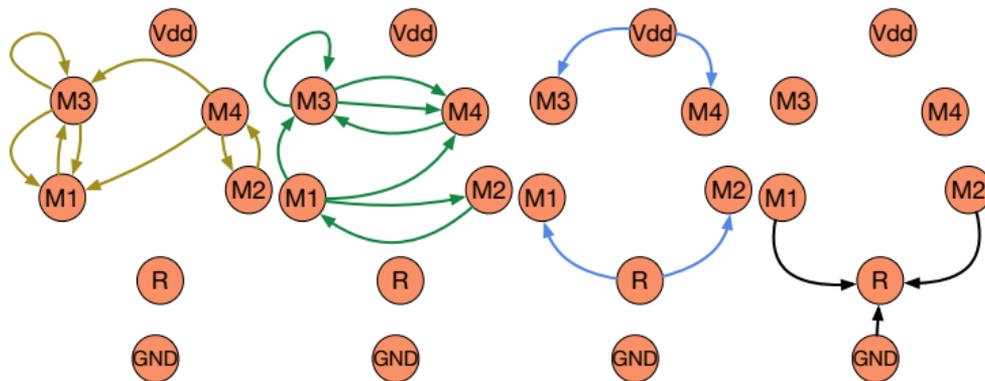




Heterogeneous Graph Representation [ASPAC'21]¹³



	M1	M2	M3	M4	R	Vdd	GND
M1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
M2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
M3	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
M4	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
R	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vdd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



¹³T. Chen, Q. Sun, C. Zhan, C. Liu, H. Yu and B. Yu, "Analog IC Aging-induced Degradation Estimation via Heterogeneous Graph Convolutional Networks", ASPAC'21.

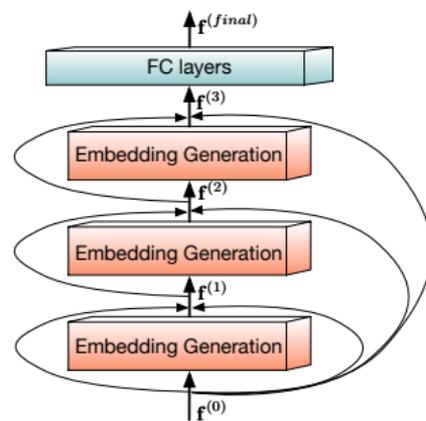
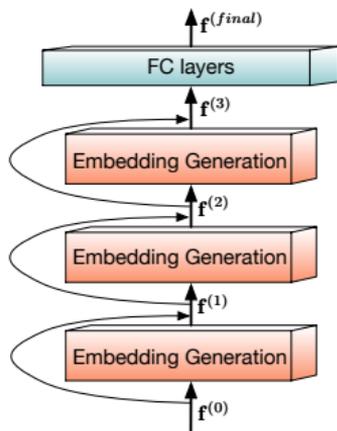


Unified Latent Space Mapping

$$\mathbf{F}^{(0)} = \sum_{t \in \mathcal{O}_{hmg}} \mathbf{X}_t \cdot \mathbf{U}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{V}_{hmg}| \times \tau}.$$

Heterogeneous embedding generation

$$\mathbf{F}^{(l)} = \sigma \left(\text{CONCAT} \left(\tilde{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \mathbf{F}^{(l-1)}, \mathbf{F}^{(l-1)} \right) \cdot \mathbf{W}^{(l)} \right), \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \triangleq \sum_{r \in \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{E}_{hmg}}} w_r \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_r.$$



Deep heterogeneous embedding generation

$$F^{(l)} = \sigma \left(\text{CONCAT} \left(\tilde{A} \cdot F^{(l-1)}, F^{(l-1)}, F^{(0)} \right) \cdot W^{(l)} \right), W^{(l)} \leftarrow (1 - \beta_l)I + \beta_l W^{(l)}.$$

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Table: Statistics of Designs (industrial 5nm PLL design)

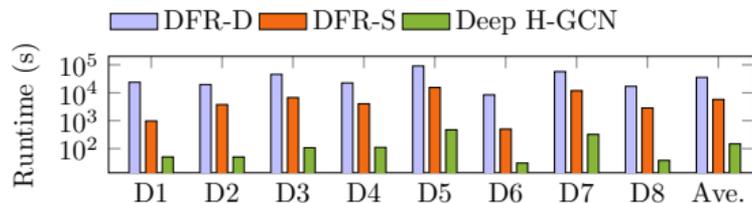
Design	#trans.	#device	#net
1	4,348	99,009	18,155
2	4,382	99,696	18,299
3	3,999	179,758	31,303
4	3,998	185,480	33,819
5	4,980	692,480	111,308
6	523	31,279	6,002
7	6,398	452,109	76,807
8	1,998	96,749	16,006

Table: Device Type

Type	#Param.
MOS	51
MOS spice	75
DIO/ESD	8
Cap	12
R	6
VSource	1

Table: Accuracy

Design	DFR tool (static)		GCN ¹⁵		GCNII ¹⁶		H-GCN ¹³		Deep H-GCN ¹⁴	
	MAE	r^2 Score	MAE	r^2 Score	MAE	r^2 Score	MAE	r^2 Score	MAE	r^2 Score
1	4.009	0.181	1.316	0.703	1.332	0.691	0.914	0.821	0.824	0.843
2	4.072	0.194	1.389	0.596	1.339	0.619	0.893	0.814	0.856	0.839
3	4.543	0.327	4.070	0.588	4.166	0.599	2.302	0.817	2.012	0.840
4	4.515	0.332	4.111	0.588	4.177	0.551	2.575	0.746	2.350	0.815
5	4.160	0.277	3.750	0.521	4.021	0.354	2.525	0.787	2.454	0.816
6	3.962	0.395	2.077	0.802	2.092	0.802	1.661	0.834	1.541	0.865
7	4.319	0.266	3.166	0.685	3.168	0.689	2.889	0.826	2.704	0.874
8	4.594	0.224	3.491	0.637	3.748	0.610	2.670	0.786	2.503	0.840



¹⁵ Hamilton+, "Inductive representation learning on large graphs", NIPS'17.

¹⁶ Chen+, "Simple and deep graph convolutional networks", ICML/20.

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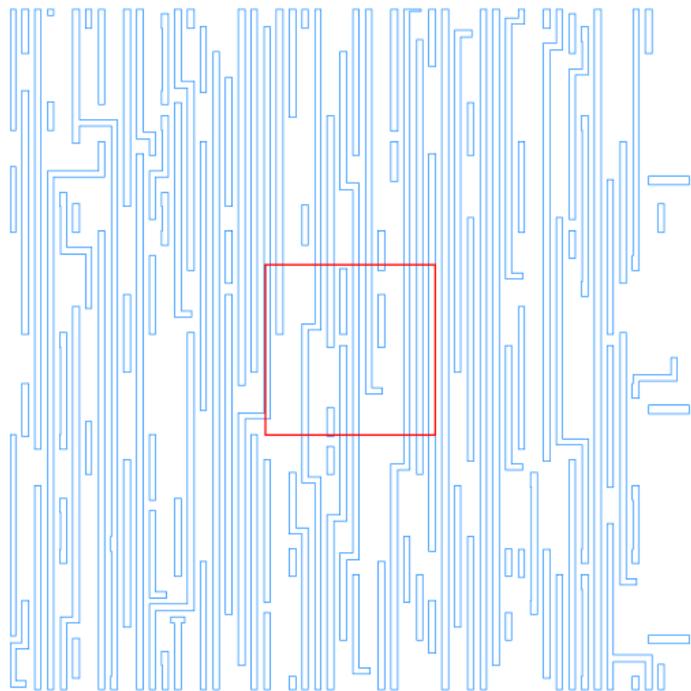
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- Active learning leverages the gap between two different design spaces
- Extension: parameter tuning?

- Enable Deep Learning in back-end phase
- Extension: Integrated in Global/Detailed Placement

- A GCN-based methodology is proposed for netlist representation;
- GCN shows superior performance to classical learning models in test points insertion problem and circuit reliability analysis.





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