

# ESE355: VLSI System Design

**Catalog Description:** Introduces techniques and tools for scalable VLSI design and analysis. Emphasis is on physical design and on performance analysis. Includes extensive lab experiments and hand-on usage of CAD tools.

**Course Designation:** Elective for EE and CE

**Text Book:** Jan Rabaey, A. Chandrakasan, B. Nikolic, "Digital Integrated Circuits: A Design Perspective", Prentice Hall, 2003.

**Prerequisites:** ESE218

**Corequisite:** none

**Coordinator:** Alex Doboli

**Goals:** The course introduces techniques and tools for scalable VLSI design and analysis. The emphasis is on physical design and on performance analysis. The course includes extensive lab experiments, a mini project and hands-on usage of CAD tools.

**Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, students are able to develop, layout and simulate fabricatable designs of VLSI building blocks, such as registers, arithmetic units, finite state machines, and medium-scale VLSI chips. Students are knowledgeable to design digital circuits optimized for timing and area constraints.

## Topics Covered:

Week 1.	<b>Introduction to design of VLSI systems and circuits. The MOSFET Transistor.</b> Static behavior. Dynamic behavior. Secondary effects. SPICE models for the MOS transistor. Small-signal models.
Week 2.	<b>The CMOS Inverter.</b> Static behavior.
Week 3.	<b>The CMOS Inverter.</b> Dynamic behavior. Propagation delay.
Week 4.	<b>Combinational Logic Gates.</b> Complementary CMOS design
Week 5.	<b>Combinational Logic Gates.</b> Complementary CMOS design. <b>Layout techniques for complex gates.</b> Bit-slice design. Pipelining.
Week 6.	<b>Combinational Logic Gates.</b> Ratio-ed logic. Pass-transistor Logic.
Week 7.	<b>Combinational Logic Gates.</b> Dynamic CMOS. Principles. Performance. Cascading.
Week 8.	<b>Design of Sequential Circuits.</b> flip-flops. master-slave ff. CMOS static flip-flops. Implementation with PLA structures. Application.
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Week 10.	<b>Design of Sequential Circuits.</b> Dynamic sequential circuits. Pseudo static latch. Dynamic two-phase flip flop. C2MOS latch. NORA-CMOS structure.
Week 11.	<b>Design for Testability.</b>

Week 12.	<b>Interconnect.</b> Crosstalk. Resistive parasitic. Inductive parasitic. Packaging technology.
Week 13.	<b>Timing Issues in Digital Circuits.</b> Clock Skew. Single & two-phase clocking. countering of clock skew problems.

**Class/laboratory Schedule:** 3 lecture hours and 3 laboratory hours per week.

**Grade = 20% Homeworks + 25% Midterm + 35% Final + 20% Project**

**Program Outcomes and Assessment**

**% contribution\***

On the following " a-k" list, please check those topics which are covered within the course:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (a) ability to apply knowledge of math, engineering, and science	
(a1) knowledge of probability and statistics, including applications to EE/CE	0%
(a2) knowledge of mathematics and of basic engineering sciences necessary to carry out analysis and design appropriate to EE/CE.	5%
(a3) knowledge of discrete mathematics or advanced mathematics (linear algebra)	0%
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b1) ability to design and conduct experiments	25%
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b2) ability to analyze and interpret data	10%
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (c) ability to design system, component or process to meet needs	25%
<input type="checkbox"/> (d) ability to function on multi-disciplinary teams	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (e) ability to identify, formulate, and solve engineering problems	10%
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (f) understanding of professional and ethical responsibility	5%
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (g) ability to communicate effectively	10%
<input type="checkbox"/> (h) broad education	
<input type="checkbox"/> (i) recognition of need an ability to engage in life-long learning	
<input type="checkbox"/> (j) knowledge of contemporary issues	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (k) ability to use techniques, skills, and tools in engineering practice	10%
<input type="checkbox"/> Any other outcomes and assessments?	

\* Assume that the total contribution of any course will be 100%. Use the right hand column to indicate the approximate percent that the left hand columns contribute to the overall course.

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