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## Curriculum Vitae

### Present Academic Positions

- Associate Professor in Electronics at Energy Efficient Embedded Systems Lab, Department of Electrical, Electronic and Information Engineering "Guglielmo Marconi" (DEI) of University of Bologna (since November, 2022).
- Member of Center for Industrial Research on Information and Communication Technologies (CIRI ICT) of the University of Bologna (since 2016).
- Member of ARCES - Advanced Research Center on Electronic Systems "Ercole De Castro" of the University of Bologna (since 2020).
- Member of Alma AI - Alma Mater Research Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence of the University of Bologna (since 2021).

### Fellowships and Visiting Positions

- Visiting Assistant Professor at the Integrated System Laboratory (IIS) of Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich (ETHZ) (Sep. - Nov. 2017, Sep. - Nov. 2018).

### Experience

- *Technical Consultant* for the development of Ultra-Low-Power SoCs for IoT end-nodes processing. GreenWaves Technologies (2015-2021).
- *Tenure Track Assistant Professor* in Electronics at Energy Efficient Embedded Systems Lab, Department of Electrical, Electronic and Information Engineering "Guglielmo Marconi" (DEI) of University of Bologna (2018 - 2022).
- *Junior Assistant Professor* in Electronics at Energy Efficient Embedded Systems Lab, Department of Electrical, Electronic and Information Engineering "Guglielmo Marconi" (DEI) of University of Bologna (2015 - 2018).
- *Post Doc Researcher* at Energy Efficient Embedded Systems Lab, Department of Electrical, Electronic and Information Engineering "Guglielmo Marconi" (DEI) of University of Bologna (2013 - 2015).
- *Ph. D. student* at Advanced Research Center on Electronics Systems, Univ. Bologna (2009 - 2012).
- *Junior Member of R&D Staff*, STMicroelectronics, Agrate Brianza, Italy (2008 - 2012).
- *Research Assistant* at Tampere University of Technology, Tampere, Finland (2005).

### Education

- Ph.D. in *Electronics, Telecommunications, and Information Technologies Engineering*, University Of Bologna, 2012.
- M.Sc. in *Electronics Engineering*, University of Bologna/Tampere University of Technology, 2007 (grade: 104/110).
- B.Sc. *Electronics Engineering*, University of Bologna, 2004 (grade: 105/110).

## Scientific Profile

### Research Activities

My research focuses on computing systems architecture and the design of digital integrated systems, with a particular emphasis on low-power architectures, reconfigurable architectures, and their applications. My research journey began with an internship at Tampere University of Technology (TUT) during my Master's studies, culminating in earning my Master's degree from both TUT and the University of Bologna. My research at the time centered around embedded systems and coarse-grained reconfigurable architectures. During this period, I co-authored two journal papers and three conference papers.

Early in my career as a graduate researcher, I spent a year at ST Microelectronics before starting my Ph.D. at the Advanced Research Center on Electronic Systems (ARCES) at the University of Bologna. My Ph.D. research focused on heterogeneous reconfigurable architectures, specifically investigating flexible techniques for accelerating embedded multi-core Systems-On-Chip. I explored two distinct approaches: the first involved heterogeneous reconfigurable fabrics featuring functional units with varying granularities, while the second focused on techniques for configuring accelerators at both run-time and design-time, balancing trade-offs in performance, power, and cost. Between 2009 and 2012, I designed and taped-out two chips (serving as the lead architect and chip designer) and co-authored four journal papers, two book chapters, and four conference papers.

In 2013, I joined the Energy Efficient Embedded Systems (EEES) laboratory as a postdoctoral researcher, where I began work on near-threshold multi-processing. I lead the PULP project ([www.pulp-platform.org](http://www.pulp-platform.org)), an ambitious initiative aimed at developing and researching an open-source, ultra-low-power hardware-software platform for embedded processing in IoT end-nodes. This project spans silicon implementation, programming, and applications. As Chief Architect of the PULP platform, I am responsible for several chips produced under this initiative. PULP and its related intellectual property (IPs) are now used by over 30 companies and universities worldwide, including Google, Micron, IBM, CEVA,

STMicroelectronics, Mentor, and Cadence. I am also actively involved in developing a product based on PULP in collaboration with the French startup GreenWaves Technologies.

Over the past five years, my research has focused primarily on the hardware/software co-design of low-power multi-core embedded platforms and their applications. I have made significant contributions to the design and programming of low-power multi-core architectures, embedded applications for low-power systems—particularly in the areas of embedded vision and biometric signal processing—and emerging low-power computing technologies such as brain-inspired computing, approximate computing, and transprecision computing.

To date, I have co-authored over 150 papers and three book chapters on the topics covered in this summary. I strongly believe in collaborative, multi-disciplinary research and have an extensive record of international cooperation with leading companies and institutions such as Meta, STMicroelectronics, NXP, Infineon, Global Foundries, Quicklogic, Tampere University of Technology, Thales, Braunschweig University, ETH Zurich, EPFL, CEA.

## A) Teaching

### Teaching Activities

During the past years I taught in 4 courses at University of Bologna. The overall number of hours per year taught during last 8 years has been:

- Academic year 2015-2016: 30 hours
- Academic year 2016-2017: 60 hours
- Academic year 2017-2018: 60 hours
- Academic year 2018-2019: 120 hours
- Academic year 2019-2020: 120 hours
- Academic year 2020-2021: 120 hours
- Academic year 2022-2023: 120 hours
- Academic year 2023-2025: 120 hours

More details about the courses can be found below:

- *73801 - LAB OF HARDWARE-SOFTWARE DESIGN M (84419 - LAB OF DIGITAL ELECTRONICS M) - 30 HOURS.* University of Bologna - Academic years 2015-2024.

Aim of this course is to enrich the practical experience of the students on advanced digital hardware design tools and methodologies. The students are expected to work on a practical project to deepen their knowledge in digital hardware design, integration of hardware modules into Systems on Chip, and prototyping of digital systems on FPGA devices. The course also covers aspects related to interactions between software and hardware components in Systems on Chip.

- *73731 - ARCHITETTURE E PROGRAMMAZIONE DEI SISTEMI ELETTRONICI T-A - Modulo 2 (29035 - LABORATORIO DI ARCHITETTURE E PROGRAMMAZIONE DEI SISTEMI ELETTRONICI INDUSTRIALI T-A- Modulo 2) - 30 HOURS.* Academic years 2016-2021.

Aim of this course is to teach the architecture of micro-controller based systems using ARM cortex M cores, and firmware programming for industrial applications. It covers both theoretical and practical aspects related to architecture and programming of ARM Cortex M microcontrollers.

- *73388 - DIGITAL SYSTEMS M - 60 HOURS CFU - 2018-2019*

Aim of this course is to provide a vision of digital circuits at transistor and gate level so as to have clear ideas about the main factors determining circuit performance, power consumption, signal integrity digital throughput.

- *93390 - DIGITAL SYSTEMS AND INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER ARCHITECTURES M - Modulo 1 (84447 - INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER ARCHITECTURES M) - 60 HOURS - 2019-2024*

Aim of this course is to provide a vision of digital circuits at transistor and gate level so as to have clear ideas about the main factors determining circuit performance, power consumption, signal integrity digital throughput. Overview of digital circuits at logic and register transfer level. Overview of microprocessor and memory architectures. Basics of testing, performance and power consumption at system level.

- *35364 - ARCHITETTURE DIGITALI PER L'ELABORAZIONE DEL SEGNALE M (Modulo 2) - 30 HOURS - 2019-2024*

Illustrate the most commonly used digital architectures for signal processing. Starting from the study of some significant audio and video signal processing algorithms, the specifications that must be met by hardware architectures for signal processing are derived. The analysis of the most commonly used architectures, both serial and parallel, is carried out by observing the close correlation between algorithmic and architectural specifications within this class of machines.

## Tutor Activities

- 28727 - *PROGETTO DI SISTEMI ELETTRONICI T-A (Tutor)*. University of Bologna, Academic Years 2010-2012.

Aim of this course is to teach the basics of digital hardware design, RTL hardware description languages and implementation of digital circuits on FPGA devices.

For more information, visit my personal page: <https://www.unibo.it/sitoweb/davide.rossi/didattica>

## Summer Schools for Ph.D. Students

- D. Rossi, *Parallel Ultra Low-Power Processing (PULP) Systems*, Nips Summer school, 19/07/2018, Perugia, Italy.

- D. Rossi, *PULP: A Multi-Core Platform for Micropower In-Sensor Analytics*, Nips Summer school, 03/09/2019, Perugia, Italy.

- D. Rossi, *Digital computing platforms for near-sensor processing at the extreme edge of the IoT*, 05/07/2021, SIE Summer School, Trieste, Italy.

- D. Rossi, *Digital computing platforms for near-sensor processing at the extreme edge of the IoT*, 05/07/2021, SIE Summer School, Trieste, Italy.

- L. Benini, D. Rossi, *Working with RISC-V: from open ISA to open Architecture to open Hardware*, HiPEAC ACACES Summer School, 13-18/09/2021, Fiuggi, Italy.

- D. Rossi, *PULP: Embedding AI at the Extreme Edge of the IoT*, CIS Edge AI School, Lausanne, 14/06/2022, Lausanne, Switzerland.

- D. Rossi, *PULP: Energy-Efficient ML at the Extreme Edge of the IoT*, SSIE Summer School, 13/07/2022, Bressanone, Italy.

## Support Activities

During last years I have been tutor of one bachelor course, advisor of 30 bachelor theses, 21 master theses, co-advisor of 7 master thesis, advisor of 8 Ph.D. students, co-advisor of 7 Ph.D. students, responsible for several research grants. Moreover I co-supervised other 8 Ph.D. students from UNIBO and ETH Zurich, even if not formally, as demonstrated by a number of joint publications reported in section B) Research. More information about teaching support activities can be found below.

## Advisor of Bachelor Theses

- Lorenzo Selvatici, Thesis Title: "CNN2FPGA - A Convolutional Neural Network Compiler for FPGA", 23/07/2018.

- Annachiara Biguzzi, Thesis Title: "Towards Hardware Implementation of Real-Time Spike Sorting Algorithms", 05/10/2018.

- Armando Armeri, Thesis Title: "Implementazione ed ottimizzazione di una rete convoluzionale MobileNet quantizzata su architettura ARM Cortex-M7", 20/12/2018.

- Rea Dizdari, Thesis Title: "Modellazione del background basata su Gaussian mixture model su sistema a microcontrollore", 20/12/2018.

- Michele Gazzarri, Thesis Title: "Progettazione e sviluppo di un sistema di acquisizione dati per banchi prova sospensioni", 15/03/2019.

- Luca Serfilippi, Thesis Title: "Architettura di sistema del firmware di un nano-drone intelligente e analisi dell'integrabilità in un system-on-chip ad alta efficienza energetica", 3/10/2019.

- Nicolas Bruscoli, Thesis Title: "Progettazione e realizzazione di una toolchain Simulink per processori Zynq", 19/12/2019.

- Giovanni Giannone, Thesis Title: "Ottimizzazione di una libreria per il calcolo della FFT sviluppata su architettura PULP e adattata per la piattaforma ARM", 11/03/2020.

- Luca Barbieri, Thesis Title: "Analisi comparativa di algoritmi paralleli di decomposizione QR per l'elaborazione di biosegnali su architettura PULP", 09/10/2020.

- Veronica Gavagna, Thesis Title: "Progetto di un sistema automatico per il monitoraggio della produzione di rifiuti riciclabili basato su tecnologia IoT", 09/10/2020.

- Paolo Carboni, Thesis Title: "Estensione dell'ISA di un processore RISC per supportare reti neurali quantizzate a precisione mista", 10/03/2021.

- Arianna Aldrovandi, "Caratterizzazione di sensori PPG per applicazioni biomedicali indossabili", 02/12/2021.

- Luigi Giordano, "Gestione dell'orientamento del polso tramite segnali EMG in applicazioni di controllo protesico", 02/12/2021.

- Andrea Helga Bernardi, "Sviluppo di un sistema indossabile a microcontrollore basato su MicroPython per la raccolta di immagini e dati EMG in applicazioni di riconoscimento di gesti", 02/12/2021.

- Marzia Bianco, "Applicazione e analisi di data augmentation su segnali PPG ed accelerometrici per la predizione della frequenza cardiaca", 03/02/2022.

- Giovanni Orzalesi, "Sviluppo di un sistema embedded basato su elettrodi EMG dry per il controllo non invadente in applicazioni HMI", 21/03/2022.

- Edoardo Roda, “Sviluppo driver di controllo protesi di mano robotica”, 21/03/2022.
- Simone Di Stasi, “Progettazione ed Ottimizzazione di Componenti Per il Trasferimento Autonomo di Dati nei Sistemi On Chip”, 05/10/2022.
- Fabio Grimandi, “Low-cost, Low-Power Embedded Wireless Hand Gesture Tracking System for HMI applications”, 05/10/2022.
- Fabio Armaroli, “Elettronica flessibile per display”, 15/12/2022.
- Alice Afragoli, “Adattamento di un Ethernet MAC RGMII per integrazione in tecnologia CMOS 22nm FDX”, 15/12/2022.
- Samuele Spadoni, “A Low-power Stereocamera System for Nano-drones”, 15/12/2022.
- Salvatore Vangone, “Sviluppo di un ambiente di verifica per la periferica I3C”, 15/12/2022.
- Matteo Buttazzi, “Progettazione di un ambiente di testing per periferiche in sistemi a microcontrollore”, 22/03/2023.
- Alessandro Briccoli, “Progettazione di un ambiente di verifica per una periferica CAN”, 22/03/2023.
- Mattia Girotti, “Prototipizzazione di una periferica ethernet RGMII per applicazioni embedded”, 22/03/2023.
- Alexandru Trocan, “Design and testing of new sensor technologies for nanodrones”, 22/03/2023.
- Lorenzo Ambrogiani “Progetto di un sistema di elettrodi asciutti ad alta densità per elettroencefalogramma”, 14/10/2023.
- Marco Monaco, “Progettazione di un modulo Ethernet per FPGA ed integrazione di un analizzatore logico per la verifica funzionale di un Ethernet IP”, 2/12/2023.
- Nico Conti, “Design and Implementation of a Multimodal Wearable System for Real-Time Acquisition and Processing of Electrodermal Activity (EDA) and Electrocardiogram (ECG) Signals”, 18/03/2024.

### **Advisor of Master Theses**

- Velu Prabhakar Kumaravel, Thesis Title: “Experimental Evaluation of BITalino: a low-cost modular platform for biosignals acquisition”, 16/03/2018.
- Weiwei Liao, Thesis Title: “low power serial chip-to-chip communication link for ultra low power IoT end nodes”, 24/07/2018.
- Hunaina Farid, Thesis Title: “Influence of Partial Dynamic Reconfiguration on Power Consumption of FPGA Based Implementations”, 23/07/2019.
- Giovanni Landi, Thesis Title: “Design of the Park Assist Based on a Rear Corner Radars and Rear-View Camera Sensor Fusion Strategy”, 24/10/2019.
- Gianmarco Ottavi, Thesis Title: “Sviluppo e Ottimizzazione di un Processore Configurabile con Unità di Calcolo a Precisione Variabile”, 19/12/2019.
- Luca Bertaccini, Thesis Title: “Design of a Cluster-Coupled Hardware Accelerator for FFT Computation”, 06/02/2020.
- Nazareno Bruschi, Thesis Title: “Accelerating Mixed-Precision Quantized Neural Networks on Parallel Ultra Low Power - IoT End Nodes”, 11/03/2020.
- Ilario Coppola, Thesis Title: “A Reconfigurable MIMD/SIMD RISC-V Cluster for Energy-Efficient Parallel Computing”, 11/03/2020.
- Mattia Sinigaglia, “Progettazione ed implementazione di un Sistema On Chip per applicazioni audio”, 21/07/2021.
- Michele Brugnara, “A Neural Network approach for EEG Bad Channel Detection in Real -Time”, 07/10/2021.
- Alessandro Nadalini, “Progettazione ed ottimizzazione di un processore dedicato per accelerazione di reti neurali quantizzate a precisione mista”, 07/10/2021.
- Nico Orlando, “Sviluppo di driver con interfaccia OS-independent per la piattaforma PULP”, 21/03/2022.
- Maicol Ciani, “System-Level Integration of a Security Enclave on a RISC-V based Embedded System On Chip”, 05/10/2022.
- Giulia Remondini, “Progettazione e ottimizzazione di un Turbo Encoder parallelo su dispositivo FPGA”, 05/12/2022.
- Saeed Pourghasemy, “Programmability and Acceleration on Edge Computing Devices: From Embedded Microcontrollers to High-Performance and Efficient Heterogeneous Systems”
- Riccardo Tedeschi, “A low-cost fault tolerant technique for microcontroller-class RISC-V processors”, 15/09/2023.
- Chaoqun Liang, “Design and Implementation of an FPGA-based CPI to CSI-2 Protocol Adapter”, 14/10/2023.
- Andrea Helga Bernardi, “Smart Glasses as a Sensor Fusion Platform for Acquisition and Processing of ExG and Image Data”, 18/03/2024.
- Marco Fontana, “Progettazione Hardware-Software di un modulo ethernet su Piattaforma FPGA”, 18/03/2024.
- Edoardo Guerra, “progettazione di un acceleratore hardware integrato con pid e dithering per il controllo ottimizzato di convertitori di potenza”, 18/03/2024.
- Lavinia Rossi, “Sviluppo di un modulo software di controllo per il calcolo in tempo reale del rapporto di sterzata di un carrello elevatore con assale anteriore bi-motore (differenziale elettronico)”, 22/07/2024.

### **Co-Advisor of Master Theses**

- Marco Donato Torsello, Thesis Title: “Utilizzo di metodi di configurazione automatica per un’applicazione di trans-precision computing su piattaforma PULP”, 06/10/2017.

- Riccardo Gandolfi, “Design of a memory-to-memory tensor reshuffle unit for ultra-low-power deep learning accelerators”, 20/07/2021.
- Yvan Tortorella, “Design of a Low-Precision Floating-Point Matrix Multiplication Accelerator for On-Chip Deep Learning”, 07/10/2021.
- Aurora Di Gianpietro, “Integrating a Tensor Datapath into a Small and Efficient Vector Processor”, 01/02/2024.
- Luigi Ghionda, “Design of a Multi-Precision Floating-Point FFT Hardware Accelerator”, 18/03/2024.
- Lorenzo Greco, “Progettazione di un cluster eterogeneo con acceleratore analogico per intelligenza artificiale basato su ePCM”, 18/03/2024.
- Andrea Belano, “Softex: Softmax Computing Engine for Fast Exponential Acceleration”, 23/07/2024.

### Advisor of Ph.D. Students

- Jie Chen (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 34° Cycle*), Research Topic: Design and Optimization of the Memory Hierarchy of Parallel-Ultra-Low Power Architectures.
- Nazareno Bruschi (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 36° Cycle*), Research Topic: Parallel computing architectures for heterogenous acceleration of AI algorithms.
- Gianmarco Ottavi, (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 37° Cycle*), Research topic: High Performance RISC-V Processors for Embedded Applications
- Maicol Ciani, (*University of Bologna, EIT4SEMM, 38° Cycle*), Research Topic: Secure High Performance Computing for Autonomous Drone Navigation
- Mattia Sinigaglia, (*University of Bologna, EIT4SEMM, 38° Cycle*), Research Topic: Heterogeneous Platform for High-Performance Embedded Computing.
- Riccardo Tedeschi, (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 39° Cycle*), Research Topic: Dependable Processor for High-Performance Automotive Applications.
- Chaoqun Liang, (*University of Bologna, EIT4SEMM, 39° Cycle*), Research Topic: Dependable Interconnect Systems For Automotive Applications
- Victor Isachi, (*University of Bologna, EIT4SEMM, 39° Cycle*), Research Topic: High Performance Accelerators for AI

### Co-Advisor of Ph.D. Students

- Enrico Tabanelli (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 35° Cycle*), Research Topic: Acceleration of learning algorithms for parallel ultra-low power processing systems.
- Alessio Burello (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 35° Cycle*), Research topic: Edge machine learning algorithms for the IoT.
- Luca Valente, (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 36° Cycle*), Research Topic: Parallel Ultra-Low Power Processing for the IoT-Ultra Low-Power electronic systems.
- Yvan Tortorella, , (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 37° Cycle*), Research Topic: Heterogeneous Computing Platform for Space Applications.
- Amir Kiamarzi, (*University of Bologna, EIT4SEMM, 39° Cycle*), Research Topic: Vector Processors for Frequency domain applications.
- Alessandro Nadalini, (*University of Bologna, ETIT, 39° Cycle*), Research Topic: Reduced Precision Accelerators for AI.
- Massimo Micolitti, (*University of Bologna, MUNER, 39° Cycle*), Research Topic: Embedded Processing for Automotive Applications.

### Other supervision activities with Ph.D. Students

- Francesco Conti (*University of Bologna*). Hardware blocks for acceleration of convolutional neural networks in programmable deeply embedded system-on-chip.
- Erfan Azarkhish (*University of Bologna*). Exploration of hardware architectures and systems for near-memory computing, exploiting capabilities delivered by new generation 3D stacked memories such as Hybrid Memory Cube.
- Manuele Rusci (*University of Bologna, FBK*). Deeply embedded systems for smart vision coupling analog imagers with energy efficient digital processing platforms.
- Renzo Andri (*ETH Zurich*). Binary convolutional accelerators to enable execution of convolutional neural networks in 10mW power envelope.
- Satyajit Das (*Université de Bretagne-Sud, University of Bologna*). Coarse-grained reconfigurable architectures for acceleration of both data- and control-intensive tasks in the field of IoT applications.
- Fabio Montagna (*University of Bologna*). Design and optimization of bio-signals processing applications on parallel embedded computing platforms.
- Angelo Garofalo (*University of Bologna*). Hardware-Software design of Ultra-Low power Multiprocessor Systems on Chip.
- Pasquale Davide Schiavone (*ETH Zurich*). Research Topic: Design of Microprocessors for IoT end-nodes

## B) Research

### Research Activities

#### Impact of Publications

In the last years, I have published (international, peer-reviewed) **63 journal papers 101 conference papers**, and **4 book chapters**. My **h-index is 39, i10-index is 103** the total number of citations is **5953** (from Google Scholar, Sept 23<sup>th</sup>, 2024). I'm author of several papers in top solid-state circuit society conferences and journals including **2 ISSCC, 6 JSSC, 1 VLSI Symposium, 3 Hot Chips, 5 ESSCIRC, 1 CICC**.

Scopus Page: <https://www.scopus.com/authid/detail.uri?origin=resultslist&authorId=7103169675&zone=>

Google Scholar Page: <https://scholar.google.it/citations?user=FOkQ6qMAAAAJ&hl=it>

#### Participation to International Conferences as Speaker

- Rossi, F.Campi, A.Deledda, S.Spolzino, S.Pucillo, *A Heterogeneous Digital Signal Processor Implementation for Dynamically Reconfigurable Computing*, Custom Integrated Circuit Conference (CICC), 2009.
- D. Bortolotti, D. Rossi, A. Bartolini, L. Benini, *A Variation Tolerant Architecture for Ultra Low Power Multi-processor Cluster*, International Workshop on Power and Timing Modeling, Optimization and Simulation (PATMOS), 2013.
- D. Rossi, A. Pullini, I. Loi, F. Conti, G. Tagliavini and A. Marongiu, *Energy efficient parallel computing on the PULP platform with support for OpenMP*, 2014 IEEE 28-th Convention of Electrical and Electronics Engineers in Israel, Eilat, Israel, 2014.
- D. Rossi, F. Conti, A. Marongiu, A. Pullini, I. Loi, M. Gautschi, G. Tavaglini, A. Capotondi, P. Flatresse, L. Benini, *PULP: A Parallel Ultra-Low-Power Platform for Next Generation IoT Applications*, Hot Chips: A Symposium on High Performance Chips, 2015.
- D. Rossi, A. Pullini, M. Gautschi, I. Loi; F. K. Gurkaynak, P. Flatresse, L. Benini, *A -1.8V to 0.9V body bias, 60 GOPS/W 4-core cluster in low-power 28nm UTBB FD-SOI technology*, in SOI-3D-Subthreshold Microelectronics Technology Unified Conference (S3S), 2015 IEEE , vol., no., pp.1-3, 5-8 Oct. 2015.
- R. Andri, L. Cavigelli, D. Rossi, L. Benini, *YodaNN: An Ultra-Low Power Convolutional Neural Network Accelerator Based on Binary Weights*, ISVLSI 2016.
- D. Rossi et al., "4.4 A 1.3TOPS/W @ 32GOPS Fully Integrated 10-Core SoC for IoT End-Nodes with 1.7 $\mu$ W Cognitive Wake-Up From MRAM-Based State-Retentive Sleep Mode," 2021 IEEE International Solid- State Circuits Conference (ISSCC), San Francisco, CA, USA, 2021.

#### Participation to National and International Conferences and Workshops as Invited Speaker and Keynote

- D. Rossi, *A 0.44 to 1.2V Voltage, -1.8V to 0.9V Body Bias, 60 GOPS/W 4-core Cluster in conventional-well 28nm UTBB FD-SOI technology*, LetiWorkshop FDSOICE 2015, 22/06/2015, CEA-LETI, Minatec Campus, Grenoble, France. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Sub-pj per Operation Scalable Computing with the PULP platform*, Workshop Commissione Calcolo e Reti Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN), 19/05/2016, La Biodola, Isola d'Elba, Italy. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Sub-pj per Operation Scalable Computing: the PULP experience*, IEEE SOI-3D-Subthreshold Microelectronics Technology Unified Conference (S3S), 11/10/2016, San Francisco (CA), USA. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Sub-pj per Operation Scalable Computing: the next challenge*, 2016 ICSEE International Conference on the Science of Electrical Engineering, 17/11/2016, Eilat, Israel. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Smart Integrated Microsystems for the IoT: The Energy Efficiency Challenge*, WEEE 2017, 12/06/2017, Ystad, Sweden. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Neurostream: Scalable and Energy Efficient Deep Learning with Smart Memory Cubes*, 23/06/2017, Fraunhofer ITWM, Kaiserslautern, Germany. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Sub-pJ per Operation Scalable Computing with the PULP Platform*", MCC2017, 30/11/2017 Uppsala, Sweden (Invited Keynote).
- P. Stenström, D. Rossi, J. Grönqvist, S. Kaxiras, *Is the Multicore dead?*, Multicore Day 2018, Monday, November 29, 2017, Uppsala, Sweden. (Invited Panel).
- D. Rossi, *Ultra-Low-Power Digital Architectures for the Internet of Things*, 14/03/2018, ISQED, Santa Clara, CA, USA (Invited Tutorial).
- D. Rossi, *Quentin: A Near-Threshold SoC for Energy-Efficient IoT End-Nodes in 22nm FDX Technology*, DATE 2018, 22/03/2018, Dresden, Germany. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Quentin: An Ultra-Low-Power PULPissimo SoC in 22nm FDX*, IEEE SOI-3D-Subthreshold Microelectronics Technology Unified Conference, 2018, 15/10/2018 San Francisco, USA. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *PULP: A Transprecision Multi-Core Platform for Micropower In-Sensor Analytics*, The 16th International System-on-Chip (SoC) Conference, Exhibit, and Workshops, 17/10/2018, Irvine, California. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Parallel Ultra-Low-Power Systems*, Bosch, 14/11/2018, Nurmberg, Germany. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Mr.Wolf: A RISC-V Parallel Ultra Low Power SoC for IoT Edge Processing*, Multicore Day 2018, Monday, November 26, 2018, Uppsala, Sweden. (Invited Talk).

- D. Rossi, *PULP RISC-V Training*, 24-25/07/2018, Silicon Laboratories (SILABS), Austin, Texas, USA. (Invited Tutorial).
- D. Rossi, *PULP RISC-V Training*, 18-19/09/2018, Silicon Laboratories (SILABS), Rennes, France. (Invited Tutorial).
- D. Rossi, *PULP: An Open-Source RISC-V based Multi-Core Platform for In-Sensor Analytics*, Workshop on Open Source Design Automation (OSDA) at DATE 2019, 29/03/2019, Florence, Italy. (Invited Keynote).
- D. Rossi, *PULP Tutorial*, 13/06/2019, WOSH, ETHZ, Switzerland. (Invited Tutorial).
- D. Rossi, *PULP RISC-V Training*, WISEKEY SA, 18-19/06/2019, Aix-en-Provence, FR. (Invited Tutorial).
- D. Rossi, *PULP: Open Hardware at the Edge of the IoT*, WOC, HiPEAC 2020. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, R. Aitken, E. Alon, B. Khailany, S. Kottapalli, S. Ouyang, D. Patterson, *Is an Open Source Hardware Revolution on the Horizon?*, 18/02/2020, ISSCC 2020, San Francisco, California. (Invited Panel).
- D. Rossi, *PULP Platform Overview*, 03/02/2020 OFA Workshop, Bruxelles. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Extending RISC V Platforms for ML at the Extreme Edge of the IoT*, 21/02/2021, ISSCC 2021 FORUM. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, T. Benz, L. Bertaccini, F. Zaruba, *Special Session: Open Source On-Chip Communication from Edge to Cloud: the PULP experience*, NOCS 2021, 15/10/2021, Virtual. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Open Source HW for IoT and its impact on the Industrial Ecosystem: the PULP Experience*, OSHEAN - Open Source Hardware European Alliances and iNitiatives Workshop, DATE 2022, Friday, 18 March 2022 08:30. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *PULP: Open-Source Heterogeneous Parallel Computing from IoT to HPC*, 2023 European Innovation Stars Workshop on Future Wireless Communication Technologies and their Challenges on IC Design, Munich, 09/03/2023. (Invited Talk).
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- D. Rossi, *Ten years of PULP: The Evolution of the Species from IoT to HPC*, ORCONF 2023, Munich, 16/09/2023. (Invited Talk).
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- D. Rossi and others, *The Chiplet Revolution: Building Tomorrow's Electronics Piece by Piece*, CadenceLIVE Europe 2023, Munich, 10/10/2023. (Invited Panel).
- D. Rossi, *PULP: RISC-V based Heterogeneous Parallel Computing from IoT to HPC*, SCS Texas chapter, 16/11/2023, Virtual. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *PULP: Open Source Heterogeneous Parallel Computing from IoT to HPC*, Huawei 2024 future Wireless Terminal Technology, Lund, 23/05/2024. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *PULP: A Heterogeneous RISC-V Platform for AI from IoT to HPC*, NOVCA-FCT workshop on edge computing, Lisbon, 11/07/2024. (Invited Talk).
- D. Rossi, *Past, Present, Future of RISC-V: The PULP Perspective*, Tristan Workshop, 11/09/2024 (Invited Keynote).

### **Organizer and Chair of Special Sessions at National and International Conferences**

- L. Benini, D. Rossi, *Parallel Ultra-Low-Power Computing for the IoT: Applications, Platforms, Circuits*, DATE 2017.
- J. Nurmi, D. Rossi, C. Malossi, *Approximate and Transprecision Computing Circuits and Systems*, ISCAS 2018.
- D. Rossi, F. Zaruba, T. Benz, L. Bertaccini, *Open Source On-Chip Communication from Edge to Cloud: the PULP experience*, ESWEEK NoCs 2021.
- Session Chair at 2019 26th IEEE International Conference on Electronics, Circuits and Systems Conference in Genova, Italy from 27-29 November 2019, Session: Machine Learning.
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- Safety and Security in Heterogeneous Open System-on-Chip Platforms, In conjunction with Design and Automation Conference (DAC) 2024, June 23th, 2024.

### **National and International Grants (As Principal Investigator)**

- *Principal Investigator (March 2016 – July 2018)*: OPEN-NEXT - Strutture software real-time e open-source per piattaforme embedded industriali di prossima generazione (POR-FESR 2014-2020, founded by Regione Emilia Romagna, overall project founding € 739.250, UNIBO founding: € 213.000). OPEN NEXT aims at the deployment of multi- and many-core architectures in the fields of industrial automation applications and automotive applications. The key challenge addressed in this project is to enable effective architectural and programming model support to let parallel platforms to meet the strict real-time constraints of industrial applications while delivering significant higher performance and energy efficiency than single-core architectures traditionally employed in applications with real-time constraints. In this project I was main principal investigator and responsible to the activities related to WP2 programming models, leading a team of 2 post doc researchers.
- *Principal Investigator (June 2018 – May 2019)*: EverMORE - Energy-efficient Variation aware MulticORE (Financial Support to Third Parties from TETRAMAX - TEchnology TRAnSfer via Multinational Application eXperiments, Grant Agreement 761349, overall project founding: € 42.000, UNIBO founding: € 37.000 ). EVERMORE TTX experiment aims at developing the next generation GAP-8 IoT processor from GreenWaves Technologies (<https://greenwaves->

[technologies.com/](https://technologies.com/)). Exploiting the adaptive management architecture for process and temperature compensation developed at University of Bologna, coupled to the low-voltage capabilities of 22nm FD-SOI technology, is expected to significantly improve the energy efficiency of current generation GreenWaves Technology processors, enabling new applications and opening new market opportunities. In this project I was principal investigator and responsible for all the technical and management activities related to the academic partner.

- *Principal Investigator: (Oct 2019 – present) WiPLASH: Architecting More Than Moore – Wireless Plasticity for Heterogeneous Massive Computer Architectures (GA 863337, overall project founding: € 3 M, UNIBO founding: € 328750).* The main design principles in computer architecture have shifted from a monolithic scaling-driven approach towards an emergence of heterogeneous architectures that tightly co-integrate multiple specialized computing and memory units. However, hardware specialization requires interconnection mechanisms that integrate the architecture. However, traditional wired interconnects are unable to provide the efficiency and architectural flexibility required by current and future key ICT applications. WiPLASH project aims to pioneer an on-chip wireless communication plane able to provide architectural plasticity, reconfigurability and adaptation to the application requirements with near-ASIC efficiency but without loss of generality. In this project I'm principal investigator and responsible for WP4 architecture design, leading a team of 3 Ph.D. students and research fellows.

- *Principal Investigator: (Starting in Nov 2021) The European Pilot: Pilot using Independent Local & Open Technologies (expected overall project founding: € 30 M, expected UNIBO founding: € 842375).* The European PILOT (Pilot using Independent Local & Open Technology) will be the first demonstration of two ALL European HPC and High Performance Data Analytics (HPDA) (AI, ML, DL) accelerators, designed, implemented, manufactured, and owned by Europe. The European PILOT combines open source software (SW) and open and proprietary hardware (HW) to deliver the first completely European full stack software, accelerator, and integrated ecosystem based on RISC-V accelerators coupled to any general purpose processor. In this project I will be principal investigator for UNIBO and responsible to all the activities related to the design of machine learning accelerators, leading a team of 6 Ph.D. students and research fellows.

#### **Research Contracts with National and International Private Entities (As Principal Investigator)**

- *Principal Investigator: (Jan 2021 – present) Elettronica S.p.A. <https://www.elt-roma.com/> (€ 25.000).* The project aims at the definition of the specifications for a heterogeneous reconfigurable SoC for defense applications. In this project I am responsible for the overall contract defining the hardware and software specifications of the system on chip architecture as well as requirements for testing.

- *Principal Investigator: (April 2021 – present) Technology Innovation Institute <https://www.tii.ae/> (€ 750'000).* The goal of the project is to develop an open RISC-V-based SoC architecture and software stack for adoption on secure application processors for drone flight computer applications to innovate in processor and platform design co-optimizing security, resilience, power efficiency and real-time performance. In this project I am the coordinator of the whole the activities of the project involving other 3 Universities, principal investigator for UNIBO, as well as responsible for the definition of the specifications of the overall SoC architecture, design and implementation, leading a team of 4 Ph.D. students and research fellow.

- *Principal Investigator: (Jan 2022 – present) Technology Innovation Institute <https://www.tii.ae/> (€ 400'000).* ). The goal of the project is to enhance the architecture developed in previous year project with additional security features, such as control flow integrity, IO MMU and PMP, virtualized interrupts and accelerators for anomaly detection. In this project I am the coordinator of the whole the activities of the project involving other 6 Universities, principal investigator for UNIBO, as well as responsible for the definition of the specifications of the overall SoC architecture, design and implementation, leading a team of 4 Ph.D. students and research fellow.

- *Principal Investigator (Nov 2022 - present): ST Microelectronics <https://www.st.com> (€ 100'000 / year).* The project aims at developing RISC-V based processors for automotive (scalar, vector, high-performance) and interconnect, along with the related reliability solutions. In this project I'm principal investigator supervising the activities of three Ph.D. students.

#### **Other Activities in National and European Research Projects**

- *Responsible for UNIBO Activities in Accelerator Stream. (Nov 2018 – present) European Processor Initiative (EPI-SGA1, SGA2) (overall project founding: 120 M).* The European Processor Initiative (EPI) is a project currently implemented under the first stage of the Framework Partnership Agreement signed by the Consortium with the European Commission (FPA: 800928), whose aim is to design and implement a roadmap for a new family of low-power European processors for extreme scale computing, high-performance Big-Data and a range of emerging applications. In this project I'm responsible for UNIBO activities in the accelerator stream of the project designing machine learning accelerators for high performance computing, leading a team of 3 Ph.D. students and research fellows.

- *Part of the project technical board (Jan 2017 – Dec 2020). OPRECOMP (Open transPREcision COMPuting, co-funded by the European Union's H2020-EU.1.2.2. - FET Proactive research and innovation programme, founding: € 4 M).* OPRECOMP aims at demolishing the ultra-conservative “precise” computing abstraction and replacing it with a more flexible and efficient one, namely transprecision computing. In this project I was senior member of the project technical boards supervising all the activities related to hardware design of a low-power demonstrator for IoT applications.

- Work Package Leader (Jan. 2008 - Oct. 2009). WP4 - Platform Integration and monitoring - of project “MORPHEUS” (Multi-purpose dynamically Reconfigurable Platform for intensive Heterogeneous processing, Sixth Framework Programme, overall funding: € 2.463.865). The project aims at developing a global solution based on a modular SoC platform providing the disruptive technology of embedded dynamically reconfigurable computing completed by a software (SW) oriented design flow. In this project I was responsible for the design of the silicon demonstrator of the project in WP3.

- Task Leader (March 2009 – February 2012). Task T4.4 - Design of regular architectures and circuits for high manufacturability and yield - of MODERN (MODELing and DEsign of Reliable, process variation-aware Nanoelectronic devices, circuits and systems, ENIAC-2008-1, overall funding: € 11.816.000). The objective of the MODERN project is to develop new paradigms in integrated circuit design, with the aim of enabling the manufacturing of reliable, low cost, low EMI, high-yield complex products using unreliable and variable devices. In this project I was responsible for the reconfigurable fabrics demonstrators.

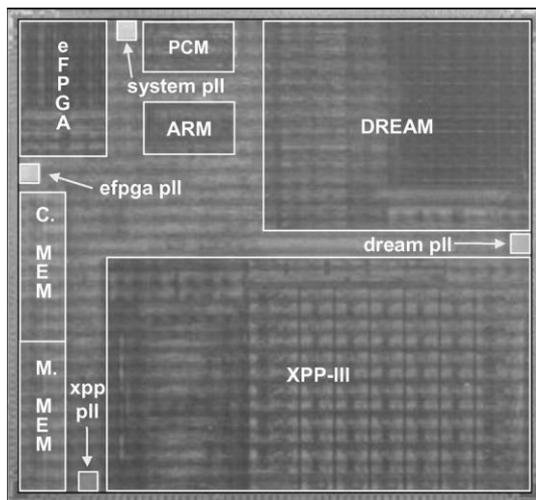
**Industrial and Academic Collaborations in Chip Design Track Record**

**ST Microelectronics (2008 - 2009)**

The project introduced one of the first embedded systems on chip architectures exploiting heterogeneous reconfigurable computing where a general-purpose processor is accelerated by multiple flavors of specialized reconfigurable engines for embedded signal processing. This approach is now employed in several fully reconfigurable SoC such as Xilinx Zynq.

**Fabricated Prototypes**

**Morpheus**



Process Technology	90 nm CMOS90GP Process, 7-metal layers
Power Supply	1,0V for core, 3,3 for I/O
Area	110 mm <sup>2</sup>
Transistor Count	44M Logic 1,1Mbyte SRAM
Pinout	256, 163 I/O
Operating Frequency	ARM, BUS, NoC: 250 MHz XPP : 0 - 160 MHz DREAM : 0 - 200 MHz eFPGA : 0-140 MHz
Power Consumption	Static Power : 235 mW ARM + NoC : 600 mW @ full speed XPP : 1200 mW @ full occupation - full speed DREAM : 420 mW @ full occupation - full speed eFPGA : 112 mW @ full occupation - full speed

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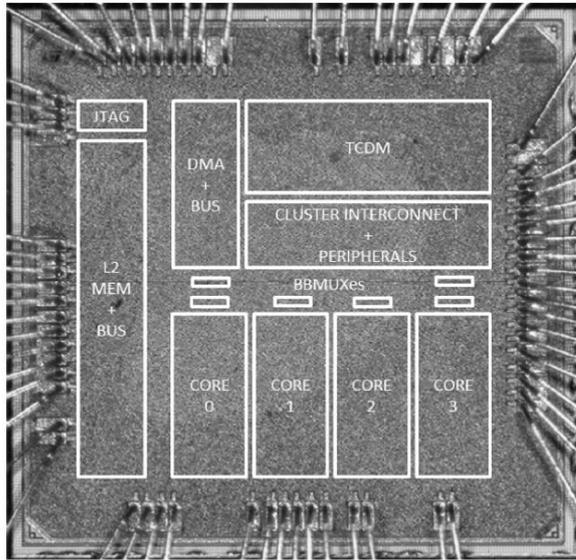
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**ST Microelectronics, ETH Zurich (2013-2014)**

The project explores new programmable multicore architectures that will ease the exploitation of application data-parallelism thanks to an extremely low overhead and efficient multi-core cluster architecture exploiting body-bias technique and low-voltage capabilities of STMicroelectronics 28nm FD-SOI technology. In this project, in collaboration with ETH Zurich, and which led to 3 joint tape-outs in 28nm FD-SOI and related publications, I was leading a team of 3 Ph.D. students and research fellows.

**Fabricated Prototype**

**PULP**



Technology	UTB FDSOI 28nm
Transistors	Conventional well L = 24 nm
Chip area	3 mm <sup>2</sup>
VDD range	0.44V - 1.2V
BB range	-1.8V - 0.9V
#SRAM macros	72 x 4 Kbit
Gates	180K
Frequency range	NO BB: 0.74 - 452 MHz FBB: 1.8 - 475 MHz
Power range	NO FBB: 0.1 - 119 mW FBB: 0.11 - 127 mW

### Publications

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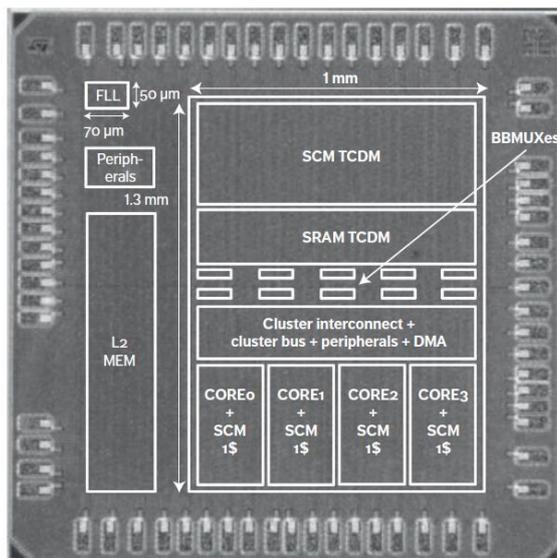
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### ST Microelectronics, ETH Zurich, CEA, EPFL (2014-2016)

Project aimed at the development of a near-threshold parallel architecture exploiting low-power IPs such as low-power processors, memories, power management IPs, and dynamic reconfiguration techniques to break the pj/OP wall in next generation computing architectures for IoT applications. In this project, which lead to a joint tape-out in 28nm FD-SOI and related publications I was leading a team of 5 people from CEA, EPFL, ETHZ and UNIBO.

### Fabricated Prototypes

#### PULP2



Technology	UTBB FD-SOI 28 nm
Transistors	Flip well L = 24 nm
Cluster area	1.3 mm <sup>2</sup>
V <sub>DD</sub> range (SRAMs)	0.32 - 1.15 V (0.45 - 1.15 V)
BB range	0 - 1.75 V
SRAM macros	8 x 32 Kbits (TCDM)
SCM macros	16 x 4 Kbits (TCDM) 4 x 2 x 4 Kbits (1S)
Gates	200K
Frequency range	NO BB: 40.5 - 710 MHz MAX FBB: 63.5 - 825 MHz
Power range	NO FBB: 0.56 - 85 mW MAX FBB: 6.9 - 480 mW

### Publications

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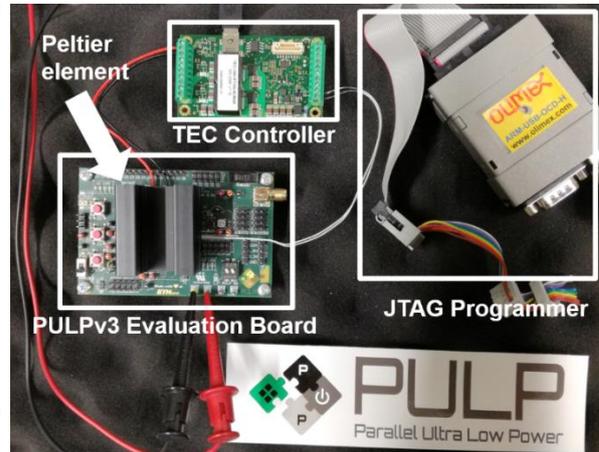
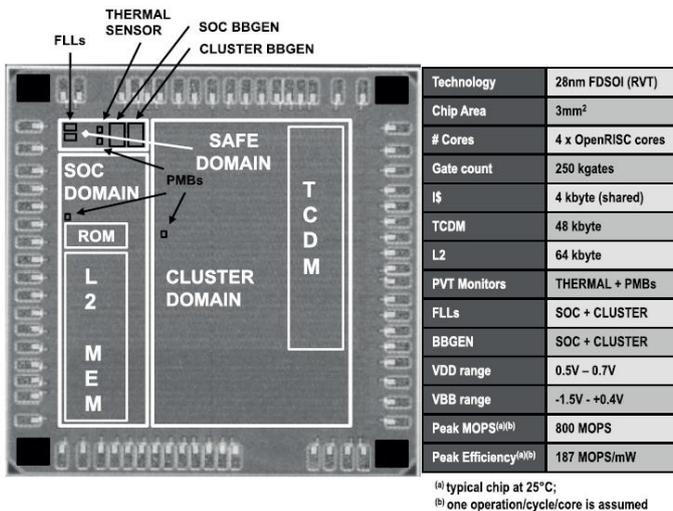
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## STMicroelectronics, SOITEC, ETHZ, EPFL (2015 - 2018)

Process and Temperature Compensation with body-biasing in 28nm FD-SOI. This project, in collaboration with ETH Zurich, aimed at building a demonstrator of a system with in-the loop process and temperature compensation exploiting the body bias capabilities of 28nm FD-SOI technology. In this project I was supervising the activities of a Ph.D. student in ETH Zurich.

### Fabricated Prototypes

#### PULP3



### Publications

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A. Di Mauro, D. Rossi, A. Pullini, P. Flatresse and L. Benini, *Temperature and process-aware performance monitoring and compensation for an ULP multi-core cluster in 28nm UTBB FD-SOI technology*, 2017 27th International Symposium on Power and Timing Modeling, Optimization and Simulation (PATMOS), Thessaloniki, Greece, 2017, pp. 1-8.

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#### NXP (2013-2017)

Project exploring variation-aware multi-core architectures exploiting system monitors (temperature monitors, timing monitors, power monitors) for applying run-time management techniques to achieve the user/application goals in terms of Quality of Service, energy consumption and results reliability/accuracy in next generation low-power microcontrollers. In this project, which led to a joint patent, I was supervising one research fellow.

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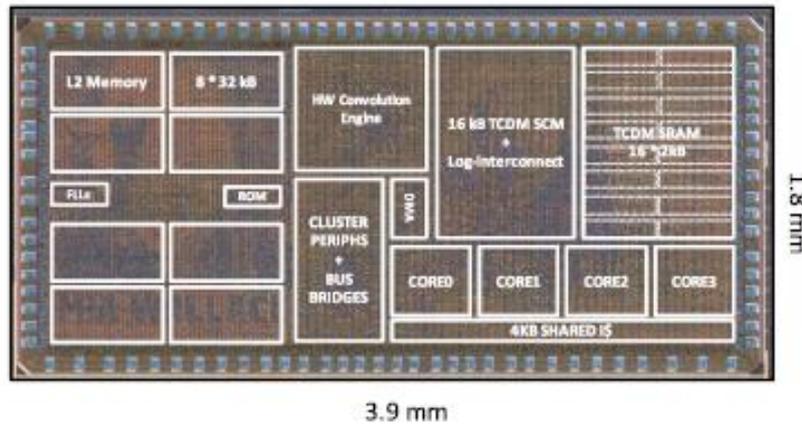
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#### ETHZ (2016)

### Fabricated Prototypes

Developing the first Parallel Ultra Low Power (PULP) SoC featuring a deep neural network accelerator. In this project I was co-supervising a team of 3 Ph.D. student in ETH Zurich and I was responsible for the design of the architecture specifications and the physical implementation.

**Mia Wallace**



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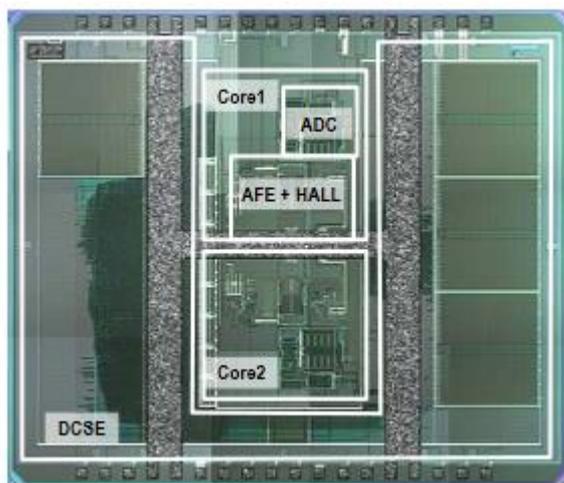
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**ETHZ, ST Microelectronics (2016)**

This project focuses on the development of a wide-bandwidth lossless current sensor system-on-chip (SoC) designed for applications such as current monitoring in DC-DC converters and non-invasive load monitoring. The core of the system is a broadband CMOS Hall sensor, which provides a low-cost and easily integrable solution for current sensing in mixed-signal SoCs, extended with a multi-mode digital compressive sensing encoder to reduce the data rate. In this project I was supervising a Ph.D. student responsible for the digital part of the SoC.

**Fabricated Prototypes**

**Current Sensor SoC with Digital Compressed Sensing**



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Technol.	0.16 $\mu\text{m}$ BCD
Area	16 $\text{mm}^2$
Supply Voltage [V]	1.8
Analog Power [mW]	20.6
Sensor Type	CMOS Hall
Max BW [MHz]	1
Spinning Freq.	8 MHz
Sensitivity [mV/A]	28
Sensitivity [V/T]	7
Input Full Scale [A]	10
Dig. Proces.	Yes
Digital Power [mW]	79

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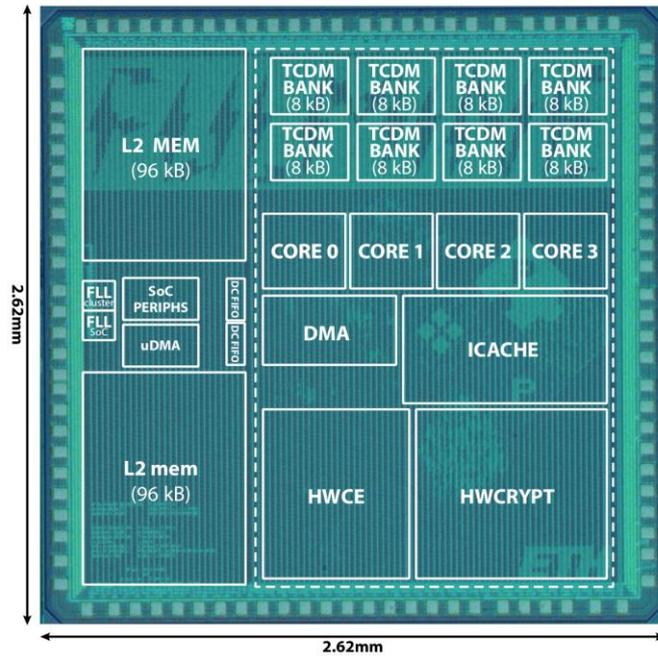
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**ETHZ, TU Gratz (2016 - 2017)**

This project developed a Parallel Ultra Low Power SoC combining workload of analytics and encryption in a tight power envelope, called Fulmine. The SoC based on a tightly-coupled multi-core cluster augmented with specialized blocks for compute-intensive data processing and encryption functions, supports software programmability for regular computing tasks.

**Fabricated Prototypes**

Fulmine



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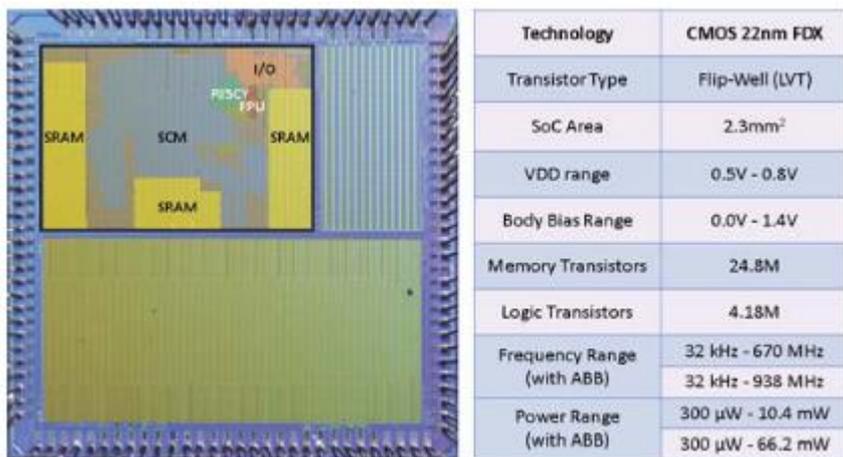
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**ETHZ (2017 – 2018)**

This project aims at developing an ultra-low-power, fully programmable IoT system-on-chip (SoC) capable of executing Binary Neural Networks (BNNs) at ultra-low voltages. By utilizing a hybrid memory scheme, it combines error-prone SRAMs with reliable standard-cell memories to ensure data integrity under aggressive voltage scaling. Implemented in 22nm FDX technology, the SoC operates at 0.5V without accuracy loss on a BNN trained for the CIFAR-10 dataset, achieving a 2.2X improvement in energy efficiency.

**Fabricated Prototypes**

Quentin



**Publications**

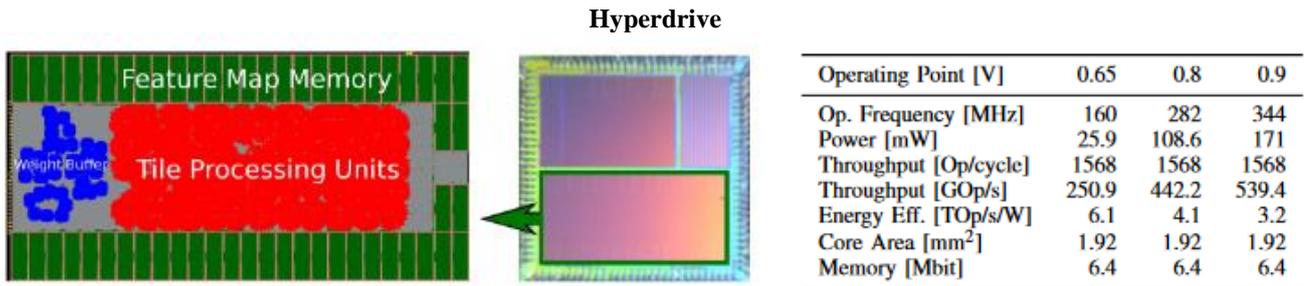
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### ETHZ (2017 – 2018)

This project aims at developing a Binary-Weight Neural Network (BWN) accelerator optimized for ultra-low-power IoT devices. It introduces a novel binary-weight streaming approach to reduce I/O bandwidth while using a systolic-scalable architecture to handle high-resolution images.

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### QuickLogic, ETHZ (2017 - 2019)

Heterogeneous SoC with embedded FPGA. This project, in collaboration also with ETH Zurich, aimed at developing a demonstrator of a heterogeneous SoC integrating an IoT processor with an embedded FPGA from the industrial party. In this project, which led to a tape-out in 22nm FD-SOI technology and a joint TVLSI publication I was supervising a Ph.D. student in ETH Zurich responsible for the design of the architecture and the physical implementation.

#### Fabricated Prototypes

### Arnold

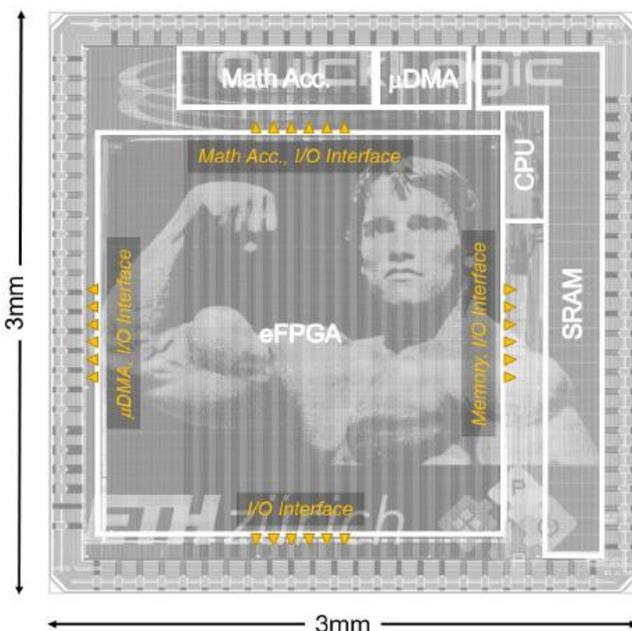


TABLE III  
AREA DISTRIBUTION OF THE MAIN COMPONENTS OF ARNOLD

Module	Area [μm <sup>2</sup> ]	Percentage
CPU	27'186	0.54%
Main Memory	734'232	14.46%
I/O DMA	21'755	0.43%
eFPGA subsystem	63'946	1.26%
PAD Frame	229'519	4.52%
eFPGA Macro	4'000'000	78.79%

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## Dolphin Integration, ETHZ (2017 - 2019)

Power-performance scalable processor for IoT. This project, in collaboration with ETH Zurich, aimed at the design of a power-performance scalable processor for IoT applications demonstrating the low-power capabilities of the analog IPs provided by the industrial partner at system level. In this project I was leading a team of 3 Ph.D. students and research fellows, and led to a joint ESSCIRC publication in 2018 and JSSC publication in 2019.

## Fabricated Prototypes

### Mr. Wolf

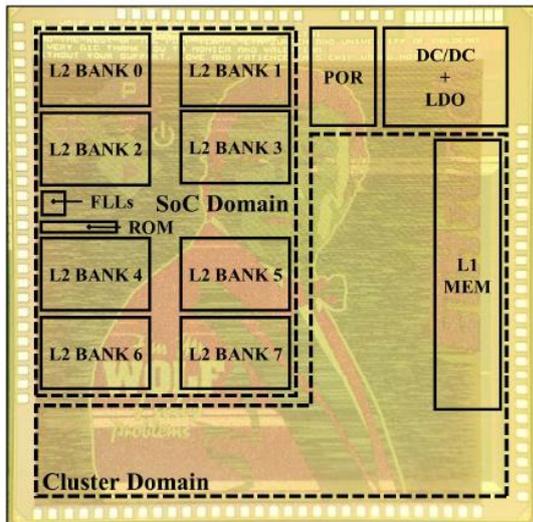


TABLE III  
MR. WOLF SoC FEATURES

Technology	CMOS 40nm LP
Chip Area	10mm <sup>2</sup>
Memory Transistors	576 kB
Equivalent Gates (NAND2)	1.8 M gates
Voltage Range	0.8 V – 1.1 V
Frequency Range	32 kHz – 450 MHz
Power Range	72 $\mu$ W – 153mW

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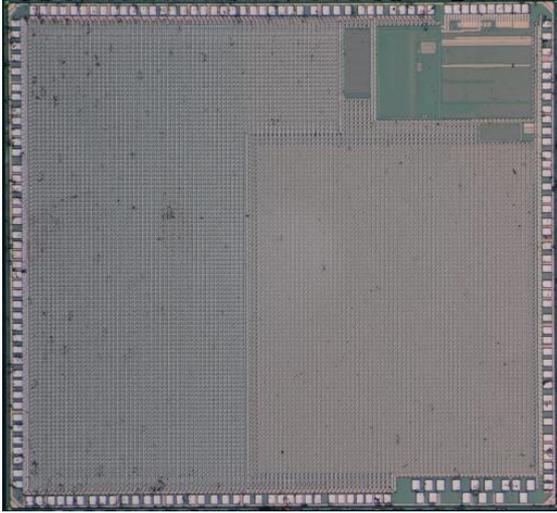
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## GreenWaves Technologies, ETHZ (2016-2021)

Technology transfer (third mission) activity related to the deployment of the PULP open-source platform to into a commercial system-of-chip (GAP-8) for volume production, and its revision (GAP-9). The main applications targeted by the design are near sensor processing, software defined modem for wireless communication and low power wireless communication for IoT applications (<http://greenwaves-technologies.com>). In this project I supported technical activities related to the development of the product of the company, and led to a joint ISSCC publication in 2021.

## Fabricated Prototypes

### GAP8



Technology	CMOS 55nm LP
Die Area	10 mm <sup>2</sup>
Embedded Memory	4608 Kbit (4096kbit state-retentive)
Logic Gates	2 M gates
Power Management	1 DC/DC, 1 LDO, 2 FLLs, embedded power switches
VDD range	0.8V – 1.2V
Frequency Range	32kHz – 250 MHz
Power Range	3.6 $\mu$ W – 75mW

### VEGA

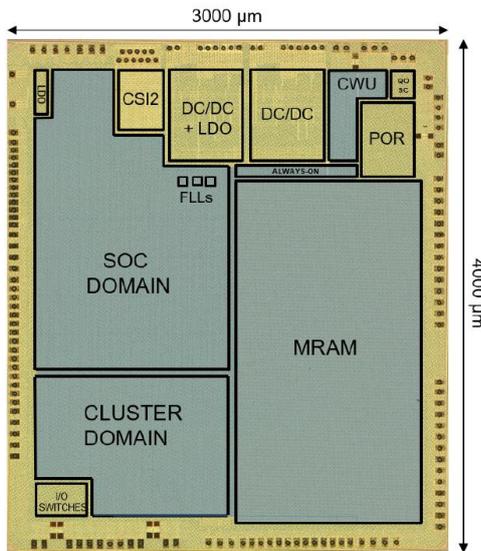


TABLE III  
VEGA SoC FEATURES

Technology	CMOS 22nm FD-SOI
Chip Area	12mm <sup>2</sup>
SRAM Memory	1728 kB
MRAM Memory	4 MB
Equivalent Gates (NAND2)	1.8 M gates
Voltage Range	0.6 V – 0.8 V
Frequency Range	32 kHz – 450 MHz
Power Range	1.2 $\mu$ W – 49.4mW

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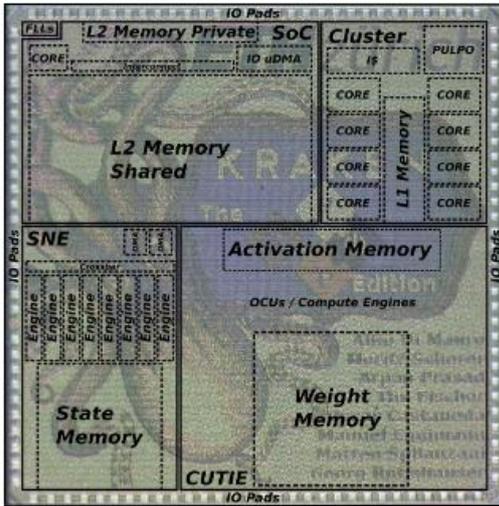
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### ETHZ (2020-2021)

The project involves the development of an ultra-low-power System-on-Chip (SoC) for nano-sized UAVs, enabling onboard autonomy for complex tasks such as object detection and navigation. Fabricated in 22 nm FDX technology, it integrates event-based and frame-based visual sensors with three accelerators for efficient processing. The SoC achieves sub-microjoule SNN inference, supported by a high-performance RISC-V cluster and TNN accelerator, reaching up to 1036 TOp/s/W. My contribution includes mentoring three Ph.D. students who were integral to the chip's design.

### Fabricated Prototypes

### KRAKEN



Technology	GF 22 nm FDX
Chip area	9 mm <sup>2</sup>
L2 memory (SRAM)	1 MiB
L1 Memory (SRAM)	128 KiB
VDD Range	0.5 V–0.8 V
Cluster Max. Frequency	330 MHz
EHWPE Max. Frequency	330 MHz
FC Max. Frequency	330 MHz
Power Range	2 mW–300 mW

### Publications

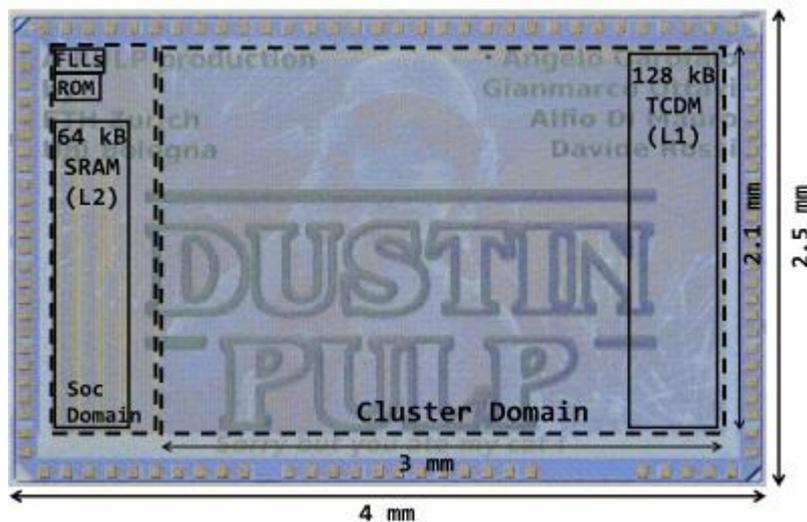
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### ETHZ (2022)

This project focuses on developing a fully programmable compute cluster optimized for running deep learning algorithms on resource-constrained, battery-powered edge devices. It introduces the concept of Vector Lockstep Execution Mode (VLEM) aiming at improving energy efficiency in single instruction multiple data (SIMD) portions of code. I was leading this project supervising 3 Ph.D. students.

### Fabricated Prototypes

#### DUSTIN



### Publications

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### Dolphin Integration, ETHZ (2019 - 2023)

AI capable edge processor. This project, in collaboration with ETH Zurich, aims at developing a low-power digital signal processor for embedded video and audio applications featuring capabilities of running embedded machine learning and artificial intelligence workloads, in this project I'm leading a team of 5 Ph.D. Students and research fellows and led to a joint ISSCC publication in 2023 and JSSC publication in 2024.

### Fabricated Prototypes

## MARSELLUS



Technology	Area	SoC + Clus SRAM	Vdd range
GF 22FDX	18.7 mm <sup>2</sup> (full chip) 1.9 mm <sup>2</sup> (cluster)	1152 KiB	0.5V – 0.8V
Active Power Range	SW 8b Perf/Eff @0.8V	RBE 4x4b Perf/Eff @0.8V	RBE 2x2b Perf/Eff @0.8V
12.8 mW – 123 mW	21 GOPS 180 GOPS/W	373 GOPS 3.2 TOPS/W	569 GOPS 5.4 TOPS/W

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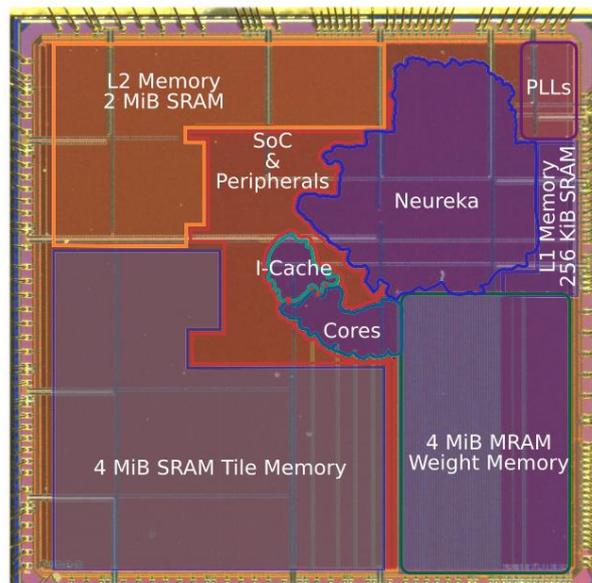
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### Meta, ETHZ (2020 – present)

Low-power processor for augmented reality. This project, in collaboration with ETH Zurich, aims at developing an embedded processor for augmented reality applications, featuring embedded non-volatile memory and capable of running both traditional linear algebra algorithms and artificial intelligence workloads with unprecedented performance and energy efficiency. In this project I'm co-leading a team of 3 Ph.D. students. A tape-out in advanced technology nodes has been achieved in December 2021, leading to a one ESSCIRC and one JSSC publication.

### Fabricated Prototypes

## SIRACUSA



### Publications

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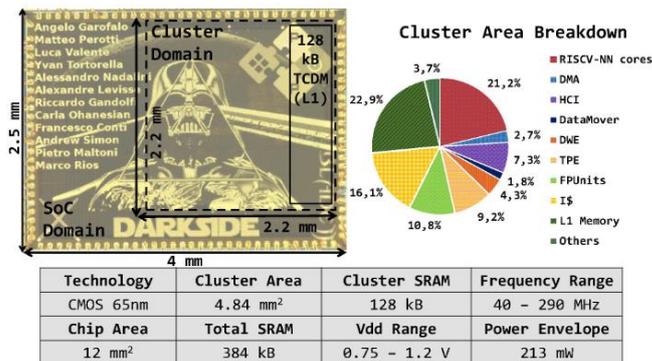
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### ETHZ (2021)

The student project focused on developing a cutting-edge System-on-Chip (SoC) designed for efficient deep neural network (DNN) inference and training at the Extreme-Edge (TinyML). Addressing critical demands such as low latency, high throughput, accuracy, and flexibility, employing a heterogeneous cluster of eight RISC-V cores with mixed-precision integer arithmetic (2-bit to 32-bit). To enhance performance and energy efficiency on compute-intensive DNN tasks, the cluster is integrated with three specialized accelerators: a high-throughput engine for depthwise convolution, an efficient data mover for flexible data handling, and a 16-bit floating-point tensor product engine for matrix-multiplication acceleration. This architecture is tailored to optimize DNN processing in resource-constrained environments. In this project I was supervising a team of 4 master students and 3 Ph.D. students responsible for the chip tape out.

**Fabricated Prototypes**

**DARKSIDE**



**Publications**

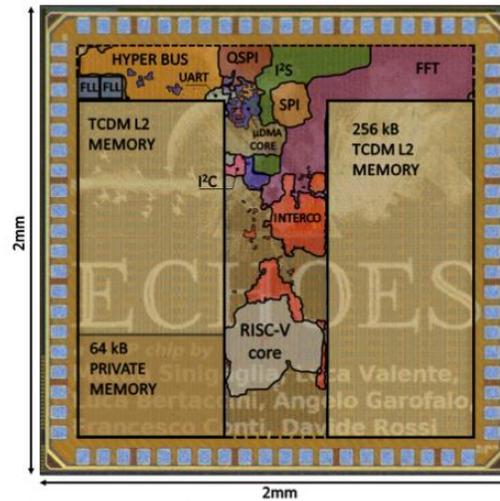
A. Garofalo *et al.*, "Darkside: 2.6GFLOPS, 8.7mW Heterogeneous RISC-V Cluster for Extreme-Edge On-Chip DNN Inference and Training," *ESSCIRC 2022- IEEE 48th European Solid State Circuits Conference (ESSCIRC)*, Milan, Italy, 2022, pp. 273-276, doi: 10.1109/ESSCIRC55480.2022.9911384.

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**ETHZ (2021)**

The project focuses on developing a cutting-edge System-On-a-Chip (SoC) tailored for the next generation of ultra-low-power and high-performance Internet of Things (IoT) end-nodes. Designed to meet the demanding requirements of complex near-sensor data analytics in domains such as audio processing, radar systems, and Structural Health Monitoring, Echoes enables highly efficient computations in the frequency domain. In this project I was supervising the master and Ph.D. students responsible for the tape out.

**Fabricated Prototypes**



Technology	Chip Area	SRAM
CMOS 65nm	4mm <sup>2</sup>	256 kB
Vdd Range	Frequency Range	Power Envelope
0.9 - 1.2V	150 - 350MHz	133.5 mW

**Publications**

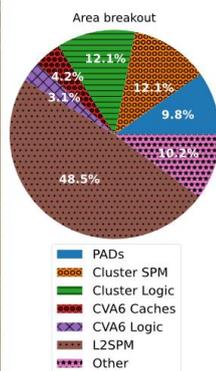
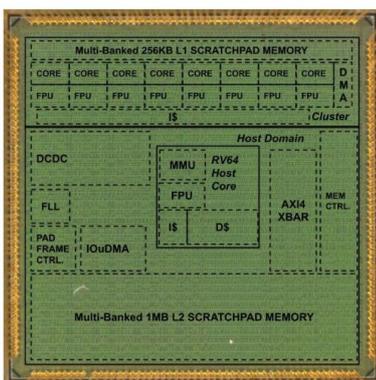
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**TII, ZERO-DAY, Khalifa University, NYUAD (2021 - present)**

The project aims to develop a highly energy-efficient and compact SoC to enable advanced computational capabilities and enhanced security in nano-sized UAVs. By addressing power, memory, processing, and security constraints, it supports real-time machine learning, digital signal processing, and autonomous functions. Additionally, the design incorporates virtualization and timing channel protection to ensure secure operations within resource-constrained environments. The goal is to create a versatile platform that combines high-performance computing, low power consumption, and robust security for the next generation of autonomous aerial systems. In this project, I coordinated the activities of all involved entities, managing a team of over 15 Ph.D. students and researchers from various partner organizations.

**Fabricated Prototypes**

**SHAHEEN**



SHAHEEN SOC FEATURES	
Technology	CMOS22nm FD-SOI (SLVt, LVt)
Chip Area	9mm <sup>2</sup>
SRAM Memory	1280KB
VDD Range	0.625-0.8V
CVA6/Cluster Max Freq.	600/500MHz
Idle Power	9-19mW (0.625-0.8V)
Avg. Power (CVA6 Active)	45-130mW (0.625-0.8V)
Max. Power (Cluster Active)	75-200mW (0.625-0.8V)

**Publications**

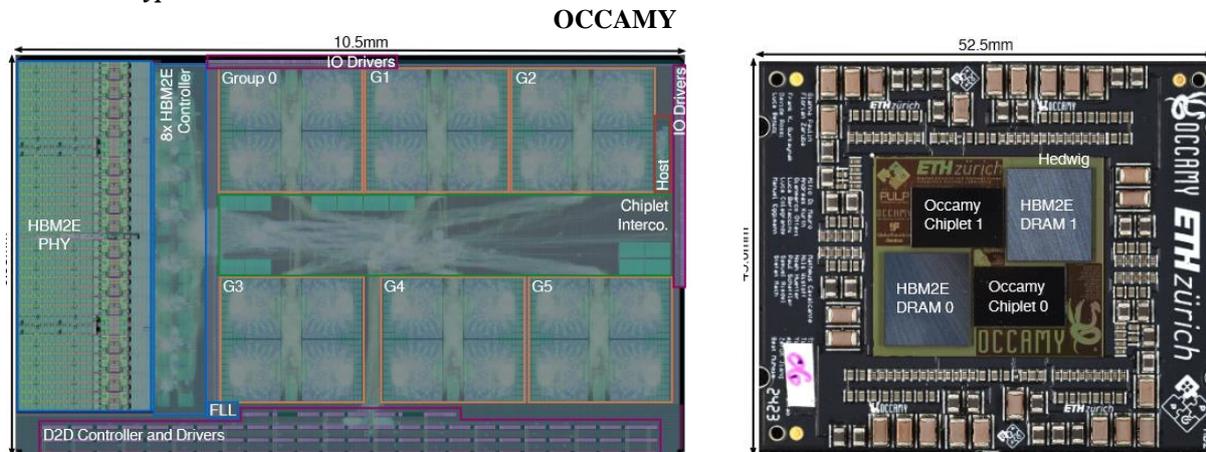
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**ETHZ, Global Foundries, Rambus, Micron, Synopsys (2021 - present)**

Chiplet-based architecture for high-performance computing: This project, in collaboration with ETH Zurich and various industrial partners, aimed to develop a demonstrator using Global Foundries' 12nm technology for high-performance computing, with a focus on sparse linear algebra. The design included 2x432 RISC-V core chiplets on a 12nm node and two high-bandwidth memories integrated on a 65nm passive interposer. In this project, I provided technical management and guidance to over 20 Ph.D. students. A tape-out on advanced technology nodes was achieved in September 2023, resulting in one ESSCIRC and one JSSC publication.

### Fabricated Prototypes



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### Patents

- Event-Based Power Manager, published on 2019-05-16 to USPTO (United States Patent and Trademark Office: <https://uspto.report/patent/app/20190146566>). The patent is in collaboration with NXP. The patent is about power management policies in ultra-low-power architectures performing digital signal processing. In particular it envisions the adaptation of functional characteristics of microcontrollers (e.g. voltage supply, operating frequency), on the basis of information collected from performance counters available within the architecture, easing the power management to the end-user making them pro-active, hence more effective.

- Temporal Lockstep 23-CACO-1204US01: LF Ref 072878/607266. The patent is in collaboration with ST Microelectronics. The patent is about a low-cost fault mitigation technique targeted at SETs called Temporal Lockstep (TL), which combines temporal redundancy and minimal spatial repetition to reduce the area overhead with respect to state-of-the-art solutions.

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- 2019 IEEE TCAD Donald O. Pederson Best Paper Award: R. Andri, L. Cavigelli, D. Rossi and L. Benini, "YodaNN: An Architecture for Ultralow Power Binary-Weight CNN Acceleration," in IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design of Integrated Circuits and Systems, vol. 37, no. 1, pp. 48-60, Jan. 2018.

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- I4MS-SAE label received by EVERMORE project, recognising its excellent implementation, high potential for further deployment and innovative aspect.

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## Professional Services

- Member of the editorial board of Elsevier Microelectronics Journal.
- Member of the technical program committee in a number of international conferences and symposia (DATE, DSD, ISCAS, VLSI-SOC, MicDAT, MWCAS).
- Publicity chair at ISLPED 2019.
- Reviewer for a number of international journals (IEE TCAS-I, IEEE TCAS-II, IEEE TCAD, IEEE TCSVT, IEEE TECS, IEEE TETC, JLPEA, Microprocessors and Microsystems, TACO).
- Organizer of the main international conference on Open-Source hardware in 2016: ORCONF2016, Oct 7-9 2016, Bologna ([orconf.org](http://orconf.org)).
- Member of FOSSI foundation "The Free and Open Source Silicon Foundation" promoting and assisting free and open digital hardware designs and their related ecosystems ([fossi-foundation.org](http://fossi-foundation.org)).

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