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Introduction

Network-on-Chip (NoC) is a communication paradigm for large VLSI systems implemented on a single silicon chip. This uses as a new approach to design complex System-on-a-chip (SoCs). The NoC-based systems can accommodate multiple complex (heterogeneous) SoC designs. In any NoC system, cores such as processor, memories, and specialized IP blocks exchange data using a protocol and physical infrastructure of on-chip networks. The conventional two-dimensional (2-D) integrated circuit (IC) has limited scope for floor planning and therefore limits the performance improvements resulting from the Network-on-Chip (NoC) paradigm. Three Dimensional (3-D) ICs are able to obtain significant performance benefits over 2-D ICs based on the electrical and mechanical properties resulting from the new geometrical arrangement (topology). The arrangement of 3-D also offers opportunities for new circuit architecture based on the geometric capacity that provide greater numbers of interconnections among multi-layer active circuits. The emerging 3-D VLSI Integration and process technologies allow the new design opportunities in 3-D NoC. The 3-D NoC can reduce significant amount of wire length for local and global interconnects.

Subject Coverage

- Emerging topologies and architecture synthesis for 3-D NoC
- Routing algorithm and micro architecture of 3-D NoC
- Memory Architecture for NoC
- Power and Energy issues in 3-D NoC
- Dynamic on-Chip reconfiguration in 3-D NoC
- 3-D Network simulator
- Verification, debug and testing strategies for of 3-D NoC
- Performance and power estimation techniques
- Emerging technologies and new communication paradigms
- Clockless 3-D NoC architectures and asynchronous communication techniques
- Reliability issues in 3-D NoC
- QoS Parameters in 3-D NoC
- Emerging technologies for NoCs (Optics, CNFET, Nanowires)

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