# "ITC'99" Benchmark Meeting

5:45 pm - 7:00 pm, Oct. 20 1998

## Agenda

- Why Benchmark?
- Status?
- Benchmark Needs
- ISCAS'85 & '89 High Level Benchmarks Mark Hansen
- Politecnico di Torino Benchmarks Matteo Sonza Reorda
- Open Issues
- Next Steps

### Why Benchmark?

- Current benchmarks outdated too simple, too small.
- Need widely available, modern designs to spur research on DFT for future designs.
- Benchmarks foster innovation by:
  - Focusing research on most valuable topics.
  - Allowing better sharing, comparison of research results.
  - Encouraging healthy competition.
- We want to help university innovation on DFT and ATPG to catch up to and outpace industry.

#### Status

- Website set up <a href="http://www.cerc.utexas.edu/itc99-benchmarks/bench.html">http://www.cerc.utexas.edu/itc99-benchmarks/bench.html</a>
- Effort an official activity of TTTC Scott Davidson vice Chair of Test Synthesis TAC.
- Mailing list set up 107 members
- 10 potential users filled out form on web page.
- 1 donor filled out form on web page.
- 22 benchmarks received so far (Torino and UT-Austin)
- Support from UT-Austin, Delft and Sun Microsystems.

**Number One Need - More Circuits!** 

#### **Circuit Needs**

- Both RTL and gate level descriptions
- Hierarchical Designs
- Examples of processors, DSPs and SOCs.
- Real Circuit Structures
  - Embedded memories
  - Tristate busses
  - I/Oputs
  - TAP controllers
- Lists of realistic defects and faults delay, bridging, stuck-open, etc.

This should be a continuing effort - we may not get all this for first release.

### **Open Issues**

- Netlist and RTL formats
  - Both Verilog and VHDL okay? Translators?
- Libraries.
- Embedded DFT
  - Should be DFT free except for boundary scan.
- Fault Lists
  - Will differ after synthesis
- Baseline Results
  - Mario Konijnenburg and Hans van der Linden have volunteered to do full-scan ATPG for benchmarks.

### **Other Issues**

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## **Next Steps**

- Track down and acquire industrial circuits
  - Can be old.
- Close on format, library requirements
- Publicity (press release).
- Define presenters at ITC'99 session.
- Schedule
  - February 1 First set of benchmarks released
  - March 15 Presenters selected.
  - June, July?? First results ready for ITC proceedings.
  - September 28 30 ITC'99