

# Miguel R. Corazao

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## EDUCATION

**University of California, Berkeley**, 1992 – 1994.

- *Degree*: M.S.E.E., May 1994 (*Specialization*: Computer-Aided Design of VLSI).
- *Research*: Retargetable synthesis/compilation (*Advisor*: Jan Rabaey).

**University of Texas at Austin**, 1987 – 1992.

- *Degree*: B.S.E.E., May 1992 (*Specialization*: Computer Engineering).

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## ACHIEVEMENTS

### Timing Analysis

- Led chip-level timing analysis for a semi-custom microprocessor using Primetime.
- Facilitated PrimeTime/Pathmill block-level timing debug and maintained instantaneous timing databases.

### Logic Verification

- Owned logic verification sign-off of a block in a network bridge device and developed much of the test bench IP for chip-level sign-off using Versity Specman and Synopsys VCS.
- Developed and maintained automated chip-level verification regression infrastructure.
- Created a custom random assembly code generation tool for a digital signal processor.

### Logic Design

- Developed and supported dual macro libraries consisting of RTL and netlists.
- Implemented macro test cases and helped in design debug.

### Physical Integration

- Owned floorplanning, placement, and routing of multiple blocks of a VLIW microprocessor.
- Acted as chip-level integrator for final cleanup for processor tape-out using custom Skill development.

### Design Automation

- Developed a tool suite for modeling sleep FET voltage waveform for cell-based timing/noise.
- Created PrimeTime/Pathmill-based timing flow for semi-custom microprocessor core.
- Developed an interactive, multi-user, chip-level timing query system (daemon/client system).
- Implemented a tool suite for incremental, automatic buffer insertion for timing optimization.
- Designed a methodology for automatic datapath layout based on user constraints / regularity extraction. Enables rapid re-implementation after substantial netlist changes.
- Developed a datapath logic design flow for writing Verilog netlists with RTL-like simplicity.
- Implemented a tool to generate RTL, Specman models, and docs for complex register banks.
- Developed LEC-based formal equivalence methodology for chip sign-off.
- Created tool set for analyzing netlists for ERC (e.g. loops, min. logic stages, naked flops, etc.).

### Embedded Software

- Developed an embedded Cisco IOS-like command-line interpreter for network management (10,000+ lines of C++). Created a custom interpreter generator for rapid enhancement.
- Designed and implemented an OO database library and kernel interface API for management of an IA32-based network bridging system. 7000+ lines of C++ with BerkeleyDB.
- Created diagnostic boot test firmware for an x86-based network bridge (mem tests, PCI, etc.).

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## SKILLS

### Programming Languages:

*Recent*: C++, C, Perl, Java, Tk, TCL, Skill.  
*Previous*: Specman E, Python, Lisp, Visual Basic, Scheme, Pascal, Fortran, Awk.

### Networking Protocols:

Gigabit Ethernet, InfiniBand, TCP/IP.

### VLSI CAD Software:

PrimeTime, Cadence DFII, LEC, Einstimer, Design Compiler, Pathmill, SmartCell, Specman, VCS, Debussy, Silicon Ens., IC Compiler/Apollo, HSpice, Calibre, PDP, ClearCase, Synchronicity, CVS.

## EXPERIENCE

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### **Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.**, Austin, TX, 2007 - 2008.

Organization develops microprocessors for desktop/laptop markets.

*CAD Engineer.*

- Developed software for modeling sleep transistor timing effects throughout clock cycle.
- Implemented tool suite for maintaining all timing models (Liberty, SDC, Einstimer) over multiple corners as single format.
- Provided internal customer mentoring and training.
- Owned and delivered third-party cell libraries including software for porting to AMD flows.

### **Texas Instruments, Inc., Wireless Business Unit**, Austin, TX, 2004 – 2007.

Organization develops parts for the wireless consumer electronics industry.

*Integration Engineer.*

- Team developed a high-performance, semi-custom ARM processor core for OMAP products.
- Led top-level timing analysis with PrimeTime for timing closure through tape-out.
- Developed complete PrimeTime/Pathmill-based timing flows as well as general EDA support.

### **Silicon Laboratories, Inc.**, Austin, TX, 2003 – 2004.

Corporation develops mixed-signal parts supplying consumer electronics industries.

*CAD Engineer.*

- Provided primary front-end digital design support: NC-Verilog, DC, PrimeTime, LEC, etc.
- Developed Silvaco-based cell characterization flow and delivered custom cell libraries.

### **OmegaBand, Inc.**, Austin, TX, 2001 – 2003.

Corporation develops data center I/O consolidation systems using Infiniband/Ethernet.

*Software Engineer.*

- Created a diagnostic test tool suite for an IA32-based network bridge.
- Implemented an embedded Cisco-like command-line interpreter for network management.
- Developed a kernel-access and database API library for network management tools.
- Designed kernel-mode /proc driver firmware for interfacing to network subsystem.

*Verification Engineer.*

- Owned logic verification sign-off of scheduling unit in network processor using Specman/VCS.
- Created RTL/verification model generation software for register banks.
- Implemented chip-level verification IP including packet models, stim. generators, and monitors.
- Developed and maintained automation for regressions and design database maintenance.
- Provided general EDA software development services to the design team.

### **Intel Corporation, Microprocessor Products Group**, Austin, TX, 1999 – 2001.

Organization develops high-performance IA32 desktop microprocessors.

*Methodology Engineer.*

- Designed/developed a buffer insertion tool suite for timing optimization.
- Designed/developed front-to-back tool suite for semi-custom datapath layout.
- Mentored junior colleagues on multiple projects and provided customer training.

*Previously: Equator Technologies, Inc., Motorola Inc..*

## PUBLICATIONS

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- M. Corazao, M. Khalaf, L. Guerra, M. Potkonjak, J. Rabaey: "Instruction Set Mapping for Performance Optimization", ICCAD, 1993.
- M. Corazao, M. Khalaf, L. Guerra, M. Potkonjak, J. Rabaey: "Perf. Opt. Using Template Mapping for Datapath-Intensive High-Level Synthesis", IEEE Trans. on CAD, 1996.

## REFERENCES

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- David Artz, Senior Design Engineer, NVidia, (512) 517-5148, [davidartz@earthlink.net](mailto:davidartz@earthlink.net).
- Ziad Sadi, Integration Lead, Texas Instruments, (512) 468-9575, [ziad@ti.com](mailto:ziad@ti.com).
- Mayur Mehta, Vice President, D2 Audio, (512) 506-1297, [mayur@ieee.org](mailto:mayur@ieee.org).