

Special issue of Universal Journal of Computer Science on Evolutionary Methodologies and Adaptive Designs for Embedded Systems

## Description and Motivations

Network-on-Chip (NoC) is an emerging paradigm for communications within large VLSI systems implemented on a single silicon chip. IT is used as a new approach to designing complex System-on-a-chip (SoCs) design. NoC-based systems can accommodate multiple complex SoC designs. In a NoC-based system, modules such as processor cores, memories and specialized IP blocks exchange data using a on-chip network. A NoC is constructed from multiple point-to-point data links interconnected by switches also called routers, such that messages can be relayed from any source module to any destination module over several links, by making routing decisions at the switches. VLSI designers of embedded systems face several problems, among which we can cite, for instance, planning the architecture that is most suitable to a given application is order to improve performance and mapping the sub-systems that form the application into the available platform infra-structure. Evolutionary computation can be used as a very robust tool to bring some answers to this kind of design problems.

This special issue of *Universal Journal of Computer Science*, covers hardware, middleware and application designs and synthesis tools that exploit the evolutionary computation principles and other innovative computing paradigms to provide CAD tools for embedded systems in general and NoC-based systems in particular. Submitted papers can be a describe applications, computing models, modeling frameworks, or hardware platforms and architecture. All submitted papers will be subjected to the review process.

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