

Session 3: Wire Length Distribution

# Introduction to VLSI Interconnect Design

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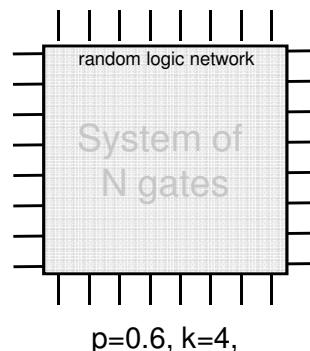
## Rent's Rule

Rent's Rule : wires emanating from a block of logic follow a Poisson distribution.

$$T = kN^p$$

T = Number of I/Os  
N = Number of logic gates

empirical parameters:  
p = Rent's exponent  
k = Rent's coefficient

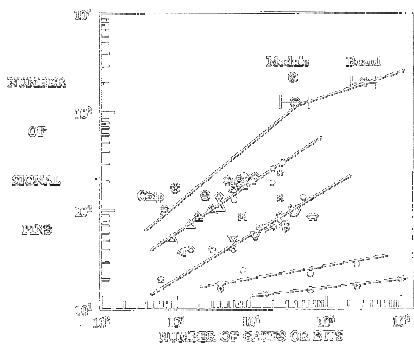


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## Rent's Rule

TABLE 9.5 Rent's Constants for Various System Types

System or Chip Type	$\beta$	$K_p$
Static memory	0.12	6
Microprocessor	0.3	0.82
Gate array	0.53	1.8
High-speed computer		
Chip and module level	0.68	1.4
Board and system level	0.25	82



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## Reference

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### A Stochastic Wire-Length Distribution for Gigascale Integration (GSI)—Part I: Derivation and Validation

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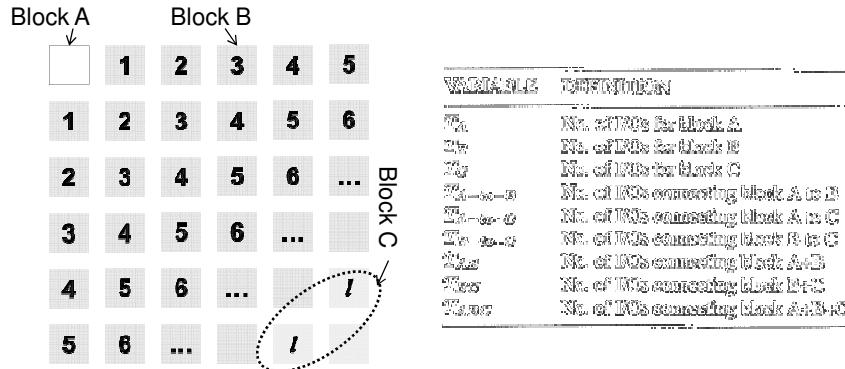
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## Wiring Distributions



$$T_A + T_B + T_C = T_{A-B} + T_{A-C} + T_{B-C} + T_{ABC}$$

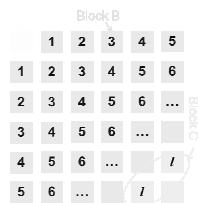
$$T_{A-B} = T_A + T_B - T_{AB}$$

$$T_{B-C} = T_B + T_C - T_{BC}$$

$$\rightarrow T_{A-C} = T_{AB} + T_{BC} - T_B - T_{ABC}$$

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## Wiring Distributions



$$T_B = k(N_B)^p$$

$$T_{AB} = k(N_A + N_B)^p$$

$$T_{BC} = k(N_B + N_C)^p$$

$$T_{ABC} = k(N_A + N_B + N_C)^p$$

$$T_{A-C} = k \left[ (N_A + N_B)^p + (N_B + N_C)^p - (N_B)^p - (N_A + N_B + N_C)^p \right]$$

point to point interconnects between A and C

$$I_{A-C} = \alpha T_{A-C}$$

where

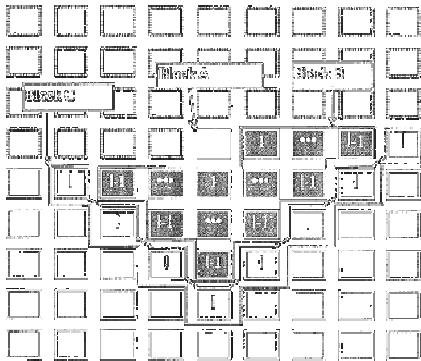
$$\alpha = f.o./f.o.+1$$

*f.o.* : Average Fan-Out of system

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# Wiring Distributions

Algorithm for exact wire-length distribution calculation



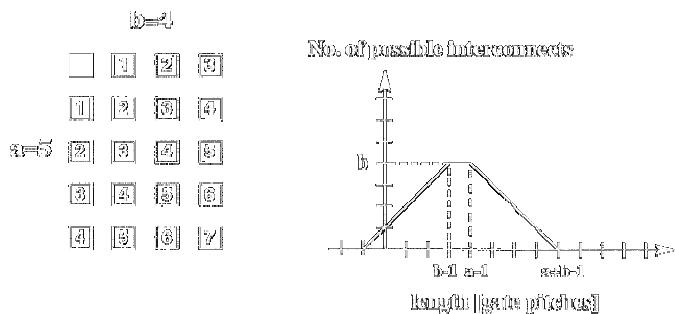
$\Phi(i, j, l)$  = number of gates that are a distance  $l$  away from the gate in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row and the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column in a square array of gates

$$\Phi(i, j, r) \approx 2r$$

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# Wiring Distributions

Number of interconnects of length  $l$  for a corner interconnect

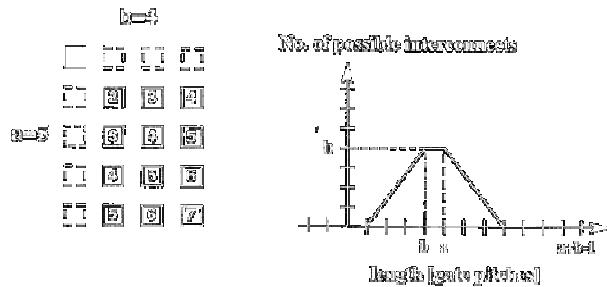


$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{ab} = & (l+1)u(l+1) + (l-a-b+1)u(l-a-b+1) \\ & - (l-b+1)u(l-b+1) - (l-a+1)u(l-a+1) \end{aligned}$$

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## Wiring Distributions

Number of interconnects of length  $l$  away not in the same row or column



$$\delta'_{ab} = (l-1)u(l-1) + (l-a'-b'+1)u(l-a'-b'+1) \\ - (l-b')u(l-b') - (l-a')u(l-a')$$

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## Wiring Distributions

By definition

$$\Phi(i, j, l) = \delta_{ab} + \delta'_{ab}$$

where

$$a = \sqrt{N} - i + 1$$

$$b = \sqrt{N} - j + 1$$

$$a' = \sqrt{N} - i + 1$$

$$b' = j$$

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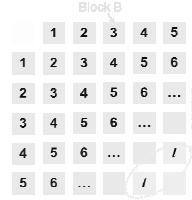
# Wiring Distributions

## Knowing that:

$$N_A = 1$$

$$N_B = \sum_{r=1}^{l-1} \Phi(i, j, r)$$

$$N_C = \Phi(i, j, l)$$



remember

$$i(l) = \alpha k \sum_{i=1}^{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=1}^{\sqrt{N}} \left[ \left( 1 + \sum_{r=1}^{l-1} \Phi(i, j, r) \right)^p + \left( \sum_{r=1}^l \Phi(i, j, r) \right)^p - \left( \sum_{r=1}^{l-1} \Phi(i, j, r) \right)^p - \left( 1 + \sum_{r=1}^l \Phi(i, j, r) \right)^p \right]$$

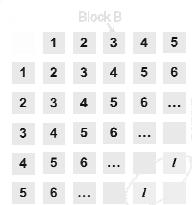
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# Wiring Distributions

$$N_A = 1$$

$$\Phi(i, j, r) \approx 2r \quad N_B = \sum_{l=1}^{l-1} 2r = l(l-1)$$

$$N_G = 2M$$



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## Wiring Distributions

$$\Gamma = 2N(1-N^{p-1}) \left( \frac{-N^p(1+2p-2^{2p-1})}{p(2p-1)(p-1)(2p-3)} - \frac{1}{6p} + \frac{2\sqrt{N}}{2p-1} - \frac{N}{p-1} \right)$$

$$I(a < l < b) = \int_a^b i(l) dl$$

Region I:  $1 \leq l < \sqrt{N}$

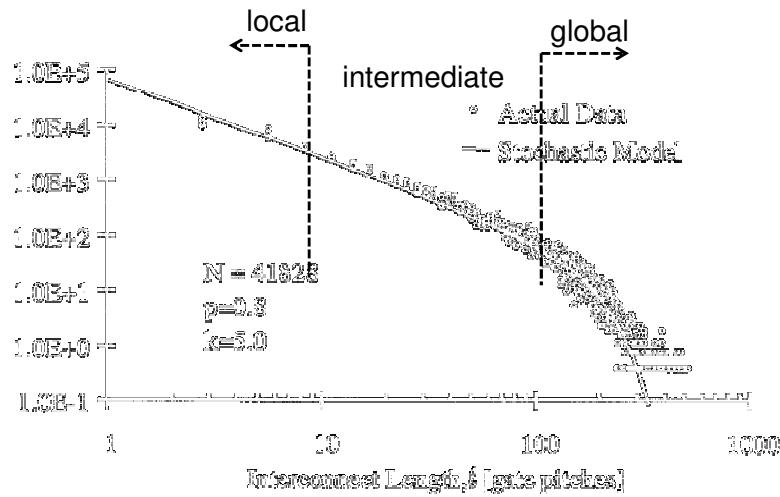
$$i(l) = \frac{\alpha k}{2} \Gamma \left( \frac{l^3}{3} - 2\sqrt{N}l^2 + 2Nl \right) l^{2p-4}$$

Region II:  $\sqrt{N} \leq l < 2\sqrt{N}$

$$i(l) = \frac{\alpha k}{6} \Gamma \left( 2\sqrt{N} - l \right)^3 l^{2p-4}$$

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## Wiring Distributions



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