



# System Level Interconnect Prediction 2004

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- Isn't this an academic topic?
  - Yes, lots of academic papers
- Also a commercial topic
  - Sun's work on capacitive chip-to-chip coupling
  - Cadence's "wires first" methodology
- Even becoming a "business week" topic!
  - On Thursday, 2 days ago, this story appeared on optical interconnects.....

## Here's a quote from a recent newspaper:

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- “Intel said the technical advance [...], is the first step toward building low-cost networks that will move data on light waves seamlessly between chips and computers and across large digital communications systems.”
- Clearly, this is a System Level Interconnect development

What is this paper? Perhaps EETimes?

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**The New York Times**

Advances in System Level Interconnect are now  
big business!

# People who made this workshop happen

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- Amir Farrahi – finance
- Igor Markov – technical committee
- Mike Hutton – publications
- Ion Mandoiu – publicity
- Dirk Stroobandt – local arrangements
  - Hotel, food, trips, and so on
  - Also the ‘father’ of SLIP

# General etiquette

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- Cellular phones off or silent
- This is a workshop – it's OK to ask questions
  - Raise your hand
  - Speaker may choose to address the question at that point, or can hold questions until the end
  - When asking a question, please state your name and affiliation
  - When replying to a question, please repeat the question so the whole audience can hear
- Meet and mingle at the breaks

# Technical preview

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- **Interconnect Analysis for SoCs and Microprocessors**
- **Models and Metrics of Interconnect Performance**
- **Interconnect Design and Optimization**
- **Interconnect in Communication Networks**
- **Unconventional Interconnects**
- **Statistical Interconnect Prediction**