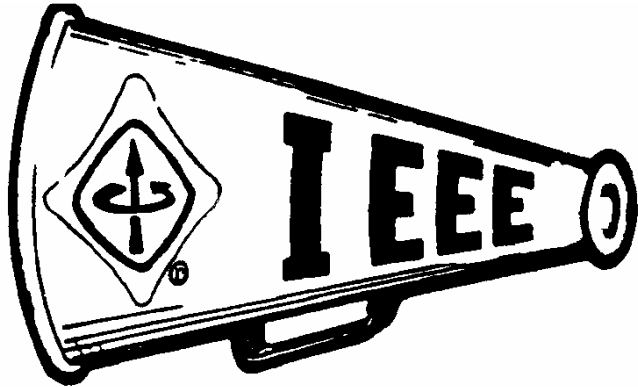


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**IEEE Solid State Circuits Society Phoenix Chapter is being formed:**

Phoenix chapter of IEEE Solid State Circuits Society is being formed under the leadership of Prof. Bertan Bakkaloglu from Electrical Engineering Department of ASU and Dr. Xuezhen Wang from SiRF Technologies. Prof. Bahar Jalali Farahani will be the Secretary, Prof. Kevin Cao will be the Publicity Chair, and Prof. Youngjoong Joo will be the Treasurer. The founding chapter is eagerly working on finalizing the details of the committee formation and they are looking forward to bringing in several distinguished speakers to Phoenix and interact with local industry. Please contact Dr. Bakkaloglu for details:

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**News from the Phoenix Chapter of the IEEE Education Society**

By Martin Reisslein and Darryl Morrell

We formed the Phoenix chapter of the IEEE Education Society during 2005, obtaining the final approval for the chapter in December 2005. Generally, the Education Society is concerned with educational methods, instructional materials, teaching pedagogy, instructional technology, and professional development in the electrical and electronic engineering discipline. This range of interests is reflected the topics of the seminars at our technical meetings, which are for the spring 2006:

- February 1<sup>st</sup>, Dr. Chell Roberts: "Spinning out the Engineering Grey Matter: an Educational Cyclorama in a Parallel Universe"
- March 1<sup>st</sup>, Dr. Veronica Burrows: "Opportunities and Challenges for Engineering Education Research: From the National to the Local"
- March 28<sup>th</sup>, Senay Yasar: "A Joint Methodology: Using the Engineering Design Process to Determine Pedagogy"
- April 12<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Joseph Palais: "Electrical Engineering Online at ASU"

Our technical meetings are held on the Arizona State University Tempe Campus, Goldwater Center, Room 409 and open to the public.

IEEE Components, Packaging and Manufacturing Technology Society  
Phoenix Chapter

Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Tutorial Meeting

## Thermal Design and Management in Electronics

Dr. Tom Lee, Manager, Freescale Semiconductor, Inc., Tempe, Arizona

Dr. Chia-Pin Chiu, Manager, Intel Corporation, Tempe, Arizona

Dr. Mali Mahalingam, Manager, Freescale Semiconductor, Inc., Tempe, Arizona

Dr. Ravi Prasher, Manager, Intel Corporation, Tempe, Arizona

### Tutorial Scope

Thermal design and management challenges are common across a wide range of electronic products and applications. Road mapping by leading organizations (ITRS, SIA, and NEMI) identifies thermal management as one of the key challenges to overcome for the sustained growth in electronics. Higher density, performance, reliability and lower cost demand much from the thermal management professionals in creating solutions. The half-a-day tutorial taught by four professionals will address: Thermal Modeling and Characterization, Applications in the Computational and Wireless Communication Products, and Emerging Thermal Technologies. Non-experts and beginners in thermal discipline will be able to learn from the tutorial content. Professionals and subject experts can benefit from the teachers experiences and interactions with other participants.

### Tutorial Agenda

12:00 – 1:00 PM	Registration
12:50 PM – 1:00 PM	Welcome Address by Dr. Daniel Lu and Dr. Mali Mahalingam
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Simulation and Characterization Methods in Electronics Thermal Design and Management <i>Dr. Tom Lee, Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.</i>
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Thermal Design and Management for High-Power Microprocessors <i>Dr. Chia-Pin Chiu, Intel Corporation</i>
3:00 PM – 3:20 PM	Refreshment Break
3:20 PM – 4:20 PM	Thermal Design and Management for RFPAs in Wireless Applications <i>Dr. Mali Mahalingam, Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.</i>
4:20 PM – 5:20 PM	Micro/Nanotechnology in Electronics Thermal Management Applications <i>Dr. Ravi Prasher, Intel Corporation</i>
5:20 PM – 5:30 PM	Tutorial Wrap-Up

### Tutorial Abstracts

*Simulation and Characterization methods in Electronics Thermal Design and Management*  
*Dr. Tom Lee, Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.*

Thermal simulation and characterization are two essential tools to evaluate and optimize thermal performance of electronics packages. Thermal characterization usually can provide a direct and accurate way to measure device or package temperature; however, the efforts to prepare samples and the number of experimental matrix needed may be time consuming and sometimes costly. On the other hand, advancements in software and computing speed make modeling and simulation as effective methods in analyzing and predicting thermal performance. However, the uncertainty in our knowledge of material properties, model simplification and assumptions made in the modeling & simulation may limit the accuracy of results. Careful use of both characterization and simulation can make up for the deficiency in each and provide realistic and accurate results.

This presentation will first introduce some standard characterization methods and equipment to measure the temperature and the thermal resistance values of devices and packages. This includes infrared thermal imaging

technique and the electrical method for junction temperature measurement for all types of semiconductor devices. The second part will describe methodology, technique, and software tools for simulation and modeling. It will be followed by the applications of using simulation and characterization to analyze microelectronics thermal performance.

*Thermal Design and Management for High-Power Microprocessors*  
Dr. Chia-Pin Chiu, Intel Corporation

Increasing microprocessor performance has historically been accompanied by increasing power and increasing on-chip power density both of which present a cooling challenge. In this session, the historical evolution of power is traced and the impact of power and power density on thermal solution designs is summarized. Industrial and academic researchers have correspondingly increased their focus on elucidating the problem and developing innovative solutions in devices, circuits, architectures, packaging and system level heat sinking. Examples of some of the current packaging and system thermal solutions are provided to illustrate the strategies used in their design. This is followed by a brief discussion of some of the future trends in demand and solution strategies that are being developed by academic and industrial researchers to meet these demands.

*Thermal Design and Management for RFPAs in Wireless Applications*  
Dr. Mali Mahalingam, Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.

Wireless communication continues to be one of the key applications in the growth of the electronics industry. Similar to Processors being the key components enabling the growth in computing applications, Radio Frequency Power Amplifiers (RFPA) serve as the key components enabling the growth in wireless communication applications. RFPAs for both handheld and infrastructure equipment will be addressed. Focus will be on the high power RFPAs. Thermal performance, RF electrical performance, stringent reliability requirements and cost-effective solutions play vital roles in influencing the choice of structures, interconnects, materials, and assembly processes in creating solutions. RFPA semiconductor components for wireless infrastructure equipment dissipate large amounts of thermal energy, approximately 3 kW/cm<sup>2</sup> at die level, and known to be one of the highest among semiconductor devices. Thermal design and management at the component level are conduction dominated. This tutorial will address from the fundamental aspects of conduction to the state of the art in creating successful solutions. Future trends in RFPAs and the required thermal solutions will be briefly addressed.

*Micro/Nanotechnology in Electronics Thermal Management Applications*  
Dr. Ravi Prasher, Intel Corporation

The research community is experiencing a revolution in microscale and nanoscale heat transfer, with a focus on developing fundamental experiments and theoretical techniques. More recently, these advancements have begun to influence the design of electronic systems. This tutorial will focus on the existing and future potential applications of microscale and nanoscale technologies on electronics thermal management. This course provides an overview of fundamental physics of heat transfer at micro and nanoscales, with a focus on those relevant for electronics cooling. These include thin film thermoelectrics, conduction physics in nano/micro engineered interface materials, and high-performance microchannel heat sinks.

### Speaker Biographies



**Dr. Tien-Yu (Tom) Lee** is a Distinguished Member of Technical Staff at Freescale Semiconductor in Tempe, Arizona. Dr. Lee received his Ph.D. degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Minnesota, 1989. He joined Motorola's Semiconductor Products Sector in 1989 and has over 16 years of experience in developing and implementing leading edge thermal and mechanical solutions in design, simulation, and characterization of electronic packages from components to systems. Dr. Lee specializes in CFD thermal analysis and has developed various techniques on thermal management, such as high-speed infrared thermal imaging, single and two-phase liquid cooling, and established fully automatic data acquisition system. He is currently managing the RF Modeling and Characterization Group in Freescale to support product development for electronic packages in automotive, wireless and networking applications. In 1992, Dr. Lee received the award for outstanding accomplishments of a young engineer from the ASME Electrical and Electronic Packaging Division. Most recently, he received Freescale's Distinguished Innovator Award for his 10th issued US patent. Dr. Lee has over 100 conference and journal publications and has won Best Paper Awards of the 1998 IEEE ITherm, 2003 IEEE ECTC and 2005 ASME InterPACK conferences. Dr. Lee is a senior member of IEEE, IEEE CPMT, and in Oct. 2005, he was elected as an ASME Fellow. Dr. Lee has been an Associate Editor for the IEEE Transactions on Components and Packaging Technologies since 1994. He currently serves as the Program Chair of the 2006 IEEE ITherm Conference. His email is tom.lee@freescale.com.



**Dr. Chia-Pin Chiu** is manager of the Thermal Core Competency group at Intel Corp. in Chandler, Arizona, where he is responsible for thermal technology development and product thermal management. His major research includes thermal interface materials, thermal characterization metrology, and the development of new cooling solutions. Chiu received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Minnesota in 1992. After graduation, he joined the ATD group of Intel and accomplished thermal designs for various Pentium processors. Chiu holds 24 US patents, 17 pending patent applications, and has published 35 technical papers. He is a member of ASME, IEEE, and the JEDEC JC15 committee. His e-mail is chia-pin.chiu@intel.com.



**Dr. Mali Mahalingam** received the Ph.D. degree in Physics from Carnegie-Mellon University. He is a Fellow of Technical Staff and Manager, in the RF Division of Freescale Semiconductor Inc. His current focus is high power RFPAs for wireless market. He has 27 years experience in the semiconductor industry of which the initial 25 years were with Motorola Inc. Mali has numerous contributions to both technology development and their successful implementation in products. He has many technical accomplishments in thermal, mechanical, materials, electrical, simulation/validation and computer-aided design (CAD) disciplines. Mali has many pioneering accomplishments in the thermal management technology in Motorola and has earned world-class recognition in this field. He has published 65+ technical papers including many (20+) in refereed technical journals and has won "best paper awards" from ASME/JSME. He has one issued patent and two filed. Mali has written contributory chapters towards technical books, has taught short courses at the universities & manufacturing plants, has organized and chaired technical conferences. He has mentored research at the universities and has won the "Mentor of the Year" award from SRC (Semiconductor Research Corporation). Mali has participated in national roadmap development for Semiconductor Industry Association. His email is mali.mahalingam@freescale.com.



**Dr. Ravi Prasher** currently manages the CPU cooling group at Intel. His group is responsible for the research and development of advanced cooling technologies for Intel CPU. Ravi received a B.Tech. degree from Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi in 1995, and Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering from Arizona State University in 1999. He is also an adjunct professor in the Dept. of Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering at Arizona State University. Ravi has published approximately 30 archival journal papers, 35 conference papers and two book chapters in edited volumes. He currently holds 11 patents with 21 patent pending applications in the area of thermoelectrics, thermal interface materials, microchannels and heat pipes. Ravi is an Associate Editor of IEEE Transactions on Components and Packaging. At Intel he has led various projects in the areas of thermal interfaces, microchannel cooling, and heat pipes. His primary research and technology development interests are in using nano and micro systems to enhance the conductive, convective and radiative properties of materials including solids and liquids. His email is ravi.s.prasher@intel.com.

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Tel: (480) 894-1600; Website: [www.phoenixairport.hilton](http://www.phoenixairport.hilton)
- Time:** 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Registration  
12:50 PM – 5:30 PM Program  
3:00 PM – 3:20 PM Refreshment Break
- Cost:** \$15 for IEEE members / \$25 for Non-IEEE Members (Includes Tutorial Material and Refreshments)
- Registration:** [www.ieee.org/phoenix](http://www.ieee.org/phoenix)
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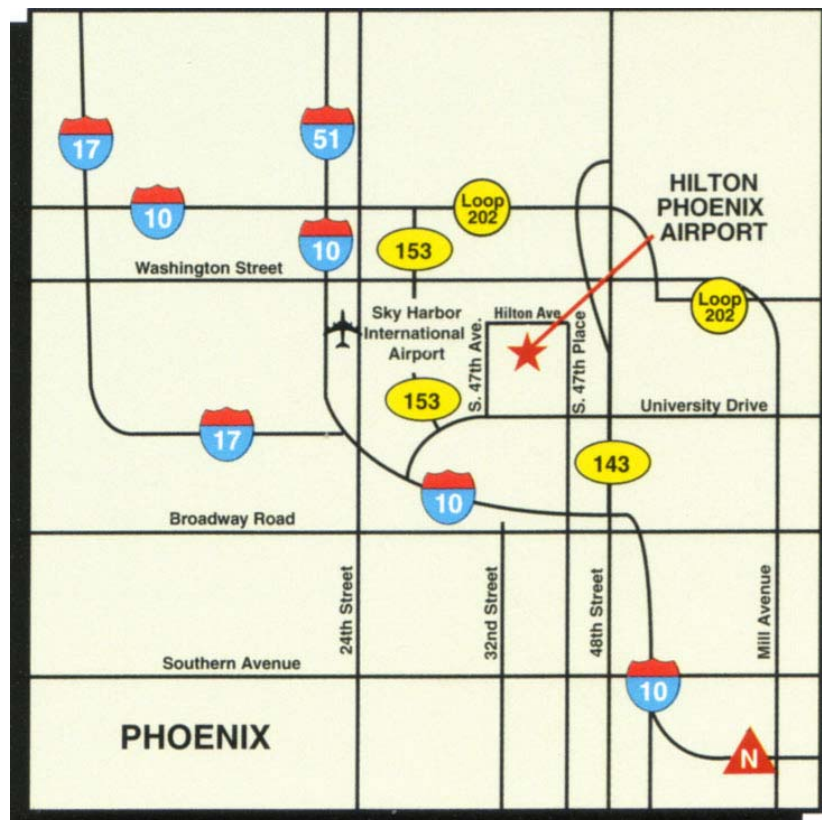
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## UPCOMING MEETING

**Speaker: Dan Mazzola, Ph.D.**

**Topic: How To Be Employable**

**Date: Wednesday, April 5, 2006, 6:00-8:30 PM**

**Location: DeVry University**, 2149 West Dunlap Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85021 (1 mile east of I-17 on Dunlap, SE corner of 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave and Dunlap). Networking will be in the Courtyard (6-7PM with light meal), presentation at 7PM.

**Free, everyone is welcome.** Please tell others about this meeting.

## **Sun Microsystems / W. P. Carey School of Business, ASU**

This is a complex work world today. On the bright side, we have seen a strong surge in the demand for IT professionals lately. Google and eBay and alone are looking to hire almost 1,000 technology positions in Arizona during 2006. On the dark side, we have seen a disturbing trend of outsourcing, churn of old technologies in place of newer ones. Being employable is a state in which your marketability and ability to be in a position to make a difference does not depend upon the market. It depends upon you, and the person that you are being. This talk is for anyone that is looking for a first job, happy in the current job, or seeking a change. Bring your resume and your imagination.

During the past ten years, Dan has been responsible for developing and executing strategic sales and marketing campaigns in the fortune 1,000 accounts in Arizona. The role of Engagement Architect requires leading teams to present a unified face for Sun Microsystems inside corporate accounts by merging the technology and vision with the business and financial requirements to deliver solutions in today's complex market environment. Dan is also responsible for evangelizing Sun Microsystems technologies and visions to the marketplace. In the last few years, Dan has been instrumental in developing strategic partnerships between Sun and the Arizona University, business, and government communities. One result has been in the two year partnership between Sun Microsystems and the Arizona Technology Council. In addition, Dan is currently consulting to new, very large employers in the Phoenix metro area.

One of the greatest methods for contributing to the next generation technology workforce is to contribute in its education. Dan has the unique opportunity to work in the technology industry by day, and teach undergraduate and graduate courses in the evening as an Adjunct Professor. He develops and delivers courses in Java Programming, J2EE, eb, Database, and Unix Technologies and applies them to real world requirements and experiences. Dan has teamed graduate students with Arizona companies in partnerships giving the students the opportunity to work in the corporate environment and apply their technical and business skills acquired in the classroom. He personally involves himself in the careers of the scholars by delivering job placement tutorials, interviewing skills, negotiation skills via regularly scheduled "How To Be Employable" seminars.

**Next Meeting**

**To Be Announced**

**Speaker:**

**Topic:**

**Company:**

**Date: Wednesday, May 3, 2006, 6:00-8:30 PM**

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**OTHER EVENTS**

**1. Real-Time & Embedded Computing Conference**

Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 8am – 3pm

Phoenix Airport Marriott Hotel

[www.rtecc.com/phoenix](http://www.rtecc.com/phoenix)

The event is **free** to IEEE members and is specifically designed for software and hardware engineers, project managers, R&D, and Directors of Engineering who are designing for the military & aerospace, telephony and datacom, industrial control, instrumentation, embedded appliances and more. Special conference presentations will feature PCI Express, VME, Embedded Linux, DSP, FPGA, Java, RTOS, SwitchFabric Interconnects, Wireless Connectivity and more. The exhibition will run alongside the open-door technical sessions for you to talk face-to-face with the vendors' technical experts.

**2. Series On IT Success Strategies**

Monthly Telephone Training Seminars

Contact Debbie Christofferson, from Sapphire-Security Services, at 480-988-4194 or [DebbieChristofferson@earthlink.net](mailto:DebbieChristofferson@earthlink.net) Call in details will be sent after you register. The lines are opened up twice for audience questions, half-way through, and again, just before we conclude the interview. Attendees learn for the price of a one hour long distance call. The seminars are free of charge to IEEE Computer Society members who work with security. The seminars are opened to the first 100 people that register.





# VIDEO GAMES



**A stroll down the Video Game memory lane**

**Want to play those video games of your youth, or those games that came before you?**

**When: April 13<sup>th</sup> 7pm**

**Where: ASU Memorial Union**

Room TBA, check website

**Presented by:**

**IEEE GOLD Phoenix Chapter**



# IEEE GOLD April Happy Hour

## Graduates Of the Last Decade

Our first Happy Hour was a success! Come join us for another gathering to get out of the rain to socialize, learn about IEEE GOLD, meet our members, and eat some appetizers on us!\*



**When:** Wednesday, April 19, 5:30 – 8:00 pm

**Where:** Four Peaks Brewing Company

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<http://www.fourpeaks.com/>

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RSVP not required but appreciated!

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If you are not an IEEE member, learn about the advantages of becoming one! (In most cases your company will pay for your membership). Visit the Phoenix Chapter's website <http://www.ieee.org/phoenix>

\* You do not need to be an IEEE member to come



At the April meeting of the Phoenix Area Consultants Network:

## MBA IN A DAY

**Steven Stralser, Ph.D.,**  
**Clinical Professor Global Entrepreneurship Center, Thunderbird: The Garvin School of**  
**International Management**

Date: Thursday, April 13, 2006

Time: Networking begins at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner begins at 7:00 p.m.

Program starts at 8:00 p.m.

Place: Denny's Restaurant

3315 N. Scottsdale Rd.

Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

Abstract: Dr. Stralser will speak about the importance of an effective business plan when launching a business. He is the author of the book "MBA In A Day : What You Would Learn At Top-Tier Business Schools (If You Only Had The Time!)", published by John Wiley & Sons. For a look at this book, copy and paste the following web address into your web browser:

[http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/detail/-/0471680540/qid=1094145960/sr=1-4/ref=sr\\_1\\_4/104-5612972-4331905?v=glance&s=books](http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/detail/-/0471680540/qid=1094145960/sr=1-4/ref=sr_1_4/104-5612972-4331905?v=glance&s=books)

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"As preposterous as its title seems -- and, indeed, is -- this is a book to be taken seriously" National Post, Canada

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Directions: In Scottsdale, go west from Highway 101 and Indian School Road.

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April 19, 2006 MTT-S Meeting

Terahertz Technology in Outer *and Inner* Space

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**Abstract**

After more than 30 years of niche applications in the space sciences area, the field of Terahertz Technology is entering a true Renaissance. While major strides continue to be made in submillimeter wave astronomy and spectroscopy, the past few years have seen an unprecedented expansion of terahertz applications, components and instruments. Broad popular interest in this unique frequency domain has emerged for the first time, spanning applications as diverse as biohazard detection and tumor recognition. Already there are groups around the world who have applied specialized Terahertz techniques to disease diagnostics, recognition of protein structural states, monitoring of receptor binding, performing label-free DNA sequencing and visualizing contrast in otherwise uniform tissue. A commercial terahertz imaging system has recently started tests in a hospital environment and new high sensitivity imagers with much deeper penetration into tissue have begun to emerge. Solicitations for more sophisticated instruments and enabling terahertz components have filtered into US agency proposal calls from DoD and NASA, to NSF and NIH, and many new research groups have sprung up, both in this country and in Europe and Asia. This talk will broadly survey terahertz technology from its cradle applications in space science and spectroscopy to more recent biomedical and chemical uses.

**Biography**

Peter H. Siegel obtained a BA in astronomy and physics from Colgate University, Hamilton NY in 1976, a Masters in Physics and a PhD in Electrical Engineering from Columbia University in 1978 and 1983 respectively. He began his career in millimeter wave technology in 1975 as a summer student at the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies in New York City. In 1983 he moved up in frequency to the submillimeter, working as a National Research Council Fellow on THz planar antenna arrays. From 1984-87 Dr. Siegel was employed at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory where he worked with Sandy Weinreb and the millimeter wave receiver group in Charlottesville Virginia, maintaining the Kitt Peak National Radio Observatory. He moved to JPL in 1987 to work on advanced technology development for NASA astrophysics applications. At JPL, Dr. Siegel naturally became involved in several satellite instrument applications, including a very successful Earth observing platform that returned early data on the Antarctic ozone hole and chemical processes in the stratosphere. In 1993 he founded the JPL Submillimeter Wave Advanced Technology team (SWAT), a group of 20 to 25 engineers and scientists working on the development of submillimeter-wave technology for NASA's near and long term astrophysics, Earth remote sensing, and planetary mission applications. In 2002 Dr. Siegel joined the staff at Caltech as a Senior Scientist at the Beckman Institute, Division of Biology, where he is working on biological applications of THz technology. Dr. Siegel is a member of AAAS, an elected Fellow of the IEEE, Chair of IEEE MTT Committee 4 - Terahertz Technology and Applications, Vice-Chair of the International Organizing Committee of the Symposium on Infrared and Millimeter Waves (IRMMW), and Organizer of the 33<sup>rd</sup> IRMMW & 16<sup>th</sup> THz Electronics Symposium to be held at Caltech in Pasadena, California in 2008 – to which you are all invited!

**Date:** April 19, 2006**Location:** Arizona State University, Main Campus, Goldwater Center (GWC) Room 487See <http://www.asu.edu/map/b2.html> for more details.**Time:** 3:00-4:00pm Presentation, Pizza & soda are being provided by the WAD Phoenix Chapter

For more information, please call Chuck Weitzel (Chapter Chair) at (480) 413-5906.

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## Tunable microring coupled lasers, electroabsorption modulators and issues related to thermal management of optoelectronic devices

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**Abstract:** Optoelectronic integrated circuits are widely used in communication and in sensing applications. In this talk two high performance devices are introduced and issues related to thermal runaway and thermal management are discussed. We first introduce passive microring resonator coupled lasers (RCLs), which utilize the microring resonators as wavelength selector inside the laser cavity. Beam propagation simulations show that these devices can have a large side mode suppression ratio  $>50\text{dB}$  and a narrow linewidth on the order of  $3\sim 500\text{ KHz}$ , which are better than the current state-of-the-art distributed feedback lasers. Using planar InP ridge waveguides and regrowth, the first monolithic double ring resonator coupled laser is demonstrated. A side mode suppression of  $30\text{ dB}$  and a wavelength tuning range of  $17\text{ nm}$  have been achieved. Electro absorption modulators are widely used in high speed optoelectronic transmitters. With the use of the thermoreflectance imaging technique, high resolution thermal maps of active electroabsorption modulators are obtained with submicron spatial resolution and  $<0.1\text{C}$  temperature resolution. A localized hot spot at the input of the modulator is observed under high input powers. Thermal runaway can increase the surface temperature by  $>150\text{C}$  in a region only  $20\text{ microns}$  in diameter. A self-consistent finite difference modeling is developed which successfully explain the internal opto-thermo-electrical interactions inside the device. With improved thermal management of the electroabsorption modulator, a high power dissipation limit of more than  $300\text{ mW}$  is achieved. For active temperature control of optoelectronic or electronic devices, thin film thermoelectric coolers could be used. To improve the cooling efficiency of conventional Si and III-V semiconductors, which are compatible with existing devices, low dimensional and nano structures are used to increase the thermoelectric figure-of-merit. An overview of the latest micro refrigerator devices will be presented.

**Biography:** Zhixi Bian is a researcher in the Quantum Electronics Group and Thermionic Energy Conversion Center at UCSC. He received his B.S. degree in Electronics from Nankai University in 1993 and M.S. degree in Electronics from Beijing University in 1996 respectively. He was with Physics department of Beijing University for three years. In 2004, he received his Ph.D degree in Electrical Engineering at University of California-Santa Cruz (UCSC). His current research interests include integrated optoelectronic circuits, heat and current transport in micro and nanoscale devices, energy conversion and renewable energies, and solid-state refrigeration for electronics cooling.

**Date:** Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006**Location:** Arizona State University, Main Campus, Gold Water Center (GWC) Room 487Enter the facility through the main (south) lobby and take the elevator to the fourth floor. Go north down the west hallway, the conference room is on the right. See <http://www.asu.edu/map/> for map of campus.**Time:** 5:00-6:00 pm Presentation

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