

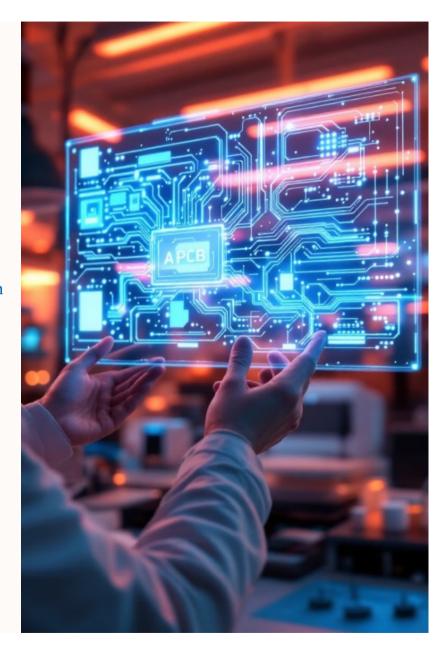
# AI In Electronic Development

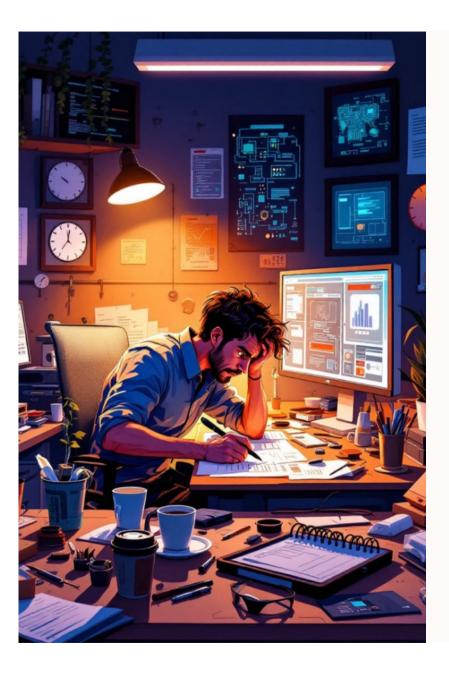
— From Traditional Electronic Design to Al-Driven Intelligent Transformation

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# Challenges of traditional electronic design

Limitations of manual design

The use of cumbersome EDA tools leads to a long design cycle and is error - prone.

AI leads the transformation

From automated design and optimization to intelligent verification, it unleashes the innovative potential of designers.

Limited innovative thinking

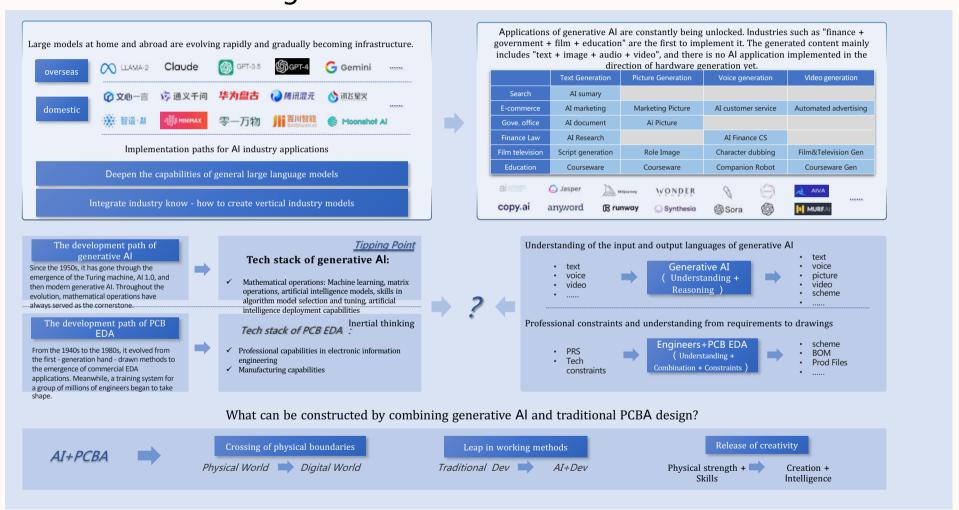
Traditional methods restrict engineers' innovative capabilities and design flexibility.

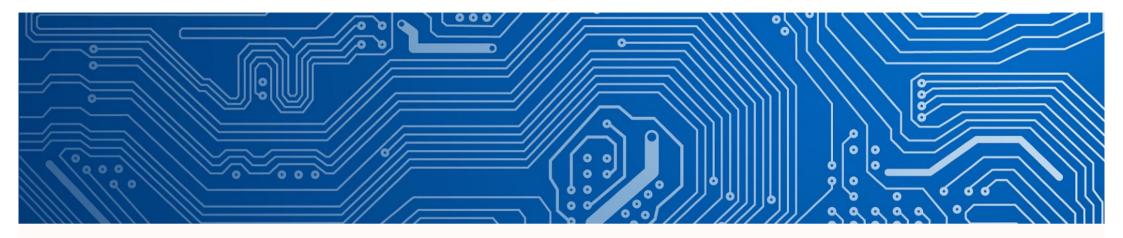
Time cost of electronic product R & D

Schematic + PCB design time: 3.3 - 9 billion hours

## What can be constructed by the combination of generative AI and traditional PCBA design?







# The evolution of electronic design driven by AI technology



The integration of Al and electronic design

- Al understands requirements and generates schematic diagrams.
- Al automatically generates circuit diagrams and layouts.
- Optimize wiring to reduce interference and improve design quality.
- · Fault prediction and maintenance



### Specific applications of Al in electronic design

- Reading component manuals based on large language models
- Conducting design optimization based on reinforcement learning
- Carrying out device heat dissipation design based on deep learning
- Generating system designs based on generative models



#### Reference papers

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- Deep Learning for Electronic Design Automation: A Survey——IEEE. 2020





### Sharing of successful cases

### Intel's Al-driven circuit optimization

 Utilize AI for circuit optimization and routing automation to enhance chip design efficiency.

#### Cadence's Al-assisted design tools

 Integrate AI technology into EDA tools to provide automatic circuit design and layout optimization functions.

#### The hardware optimization of Google DeepMind

 Optimize hardware design through AI to improve the computing efficiency of data centers and reduce energy consumption.

#### KiCad HuaQiu Edition

 Al Copilot improves engineers' efficiency and lowers the entry barrier of electronic design.

#### AFH (Al For Hardware) of Index Technology: Al-Generated Hardware

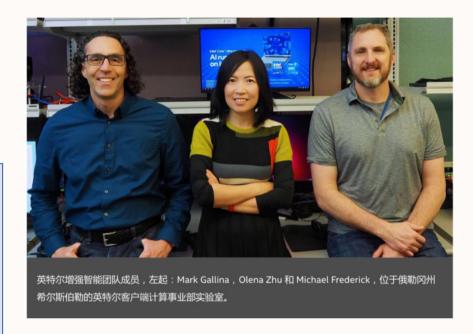
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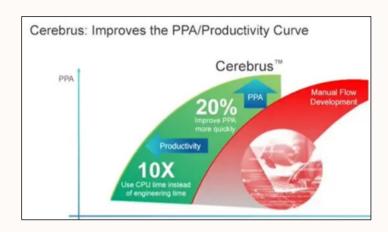
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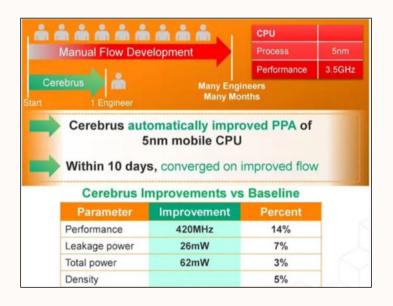
Utilize AI to optimize circuits and automate routing, improving the efficiency of chip design.





- Use enhanced AI to determine the position of thermal sensors: from 6 weeks to 5 minutes.
- Use enhanced AI to identify thermal workloads: optimize chip design.
- A fast and accurate signal integrity analysis tool for high speed I/O: from 3 months to 1 hour.
- An artificial intelligence based automatic fault analysis tool for high speed I/O design:
   60% efficiency improvement.
- Enhanced intelligent tools of "Al Assist" to achieve overclocking: from 3 days to 1 minute.
- All automatically places micro circuit board components: from 5 days to 2 hours.

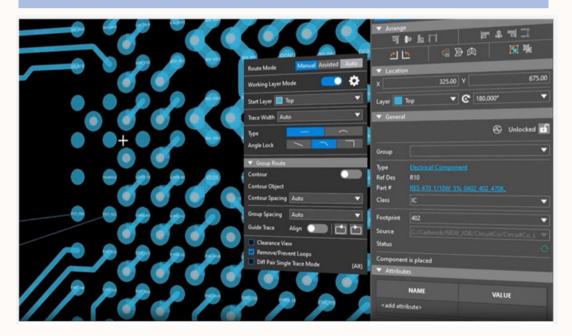






## Cadence's Al-assisted design tools

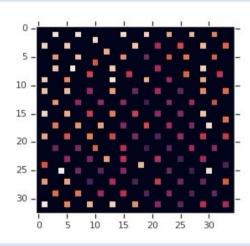
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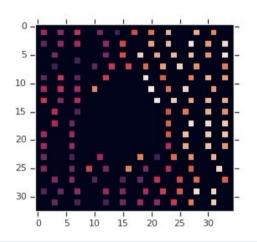


## The hardware optimization of Google DeepMind

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Several Months → < 6 hours





Left: Animation showing AlphaChip placing the open-source, Ariane RISC-V CPU, with no prior experience. Right: Animation showing AlphaChip placing the same block after having practiced on 20 TPU-related designs.



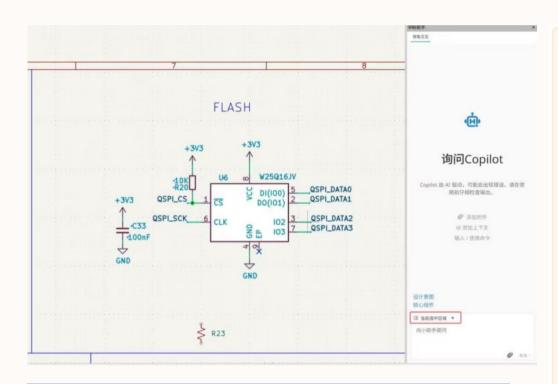


"With GNoME, we've multiplied the number of technologically viable materials known to humanity. Of its 2.2 million predictions, 380,000 are the most stable, making them promising candidates for experimental synthesis," the company states in their announcement.

Several years → < few hours



### AI Copilot in KiCad HuaQiu Edition



Al assistants for electronic design significantly lower the entry barriers to electronic design.

▼ 好的,我将根据您提供的网表信息来分析电路的功能。

#### 主要功能模块识别:

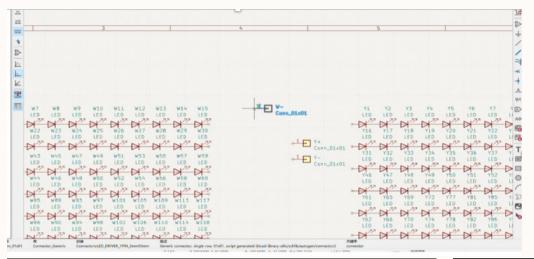
- 电源: 网络名称 "+3V3" 和 "GND" 明显表明了电源供电部分。大量的 #PWRXXX 元件是电源连接点。
- Flash存储器: U6 是 W25Q16JV, 这是一个 16Mbit 的 SPI Flash 存储器。它的连接线 /QSPI\_CS, /QSPI\_SCK, /QSPI\_DATA0, /QSPI\_DATA1, /QSPI\_DATA2, /QSPI\_DATA3 共同构成 QSPI 接口。
- 微控制器(推测): U2 似乎是一个微控制器,因为它有很多连接到 +3.3V 和 GND 的引脚,并且有QSPI 接口。引脚名称例如 QSPI\_SS , QSPI\_SD0 , QSPI\_SCLK , QSPI\_SD1 , QSPI\_SD2 , QSPI\_SD3 都连接到了flash 存储器,这意味着微控制器可以通过QSPI接口与Flash存储器通信。名称为 USB\_VDD , ADC\_AVDD , VREG\_IN 以及 IOVDD 都支持了这是一个微控制器的推测。

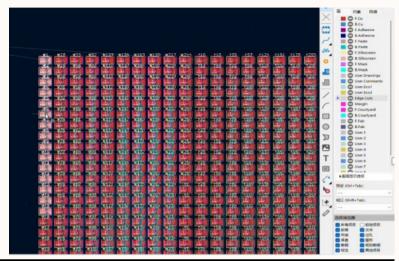
#### • 其他元件:

- U1: VBAT1, VBAT2, VBAT 引脚提示这个可能是一个实时时钟(RTC)或其他需要电池供电的元件。
- 。 U4: VOUT 引脚提示这可能是一个电源稳压器或者LDO。
- 。 U5 和 U7:没有给出具体型号,需要更多信息才能判断。
- 。 Y1: 晶振, 与 U2 配合提供时钟源.
- 。 P1:连接器,连接GND
- 。 SW1 , SW2: 开关
- 。 JP1: 跳线器



### 手指数科技 AFH-Lumiboard











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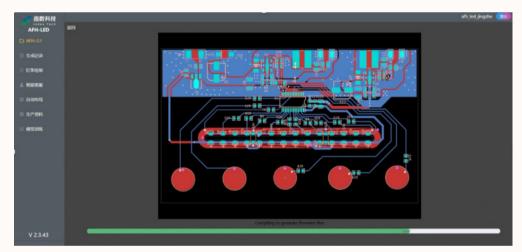
AFH-Lumiboard: Combine AI and KiCad to generate lamp boards for LED lighting products, significantly reducing the tedious and repetitive lamp board design work and lowering the defect rate.

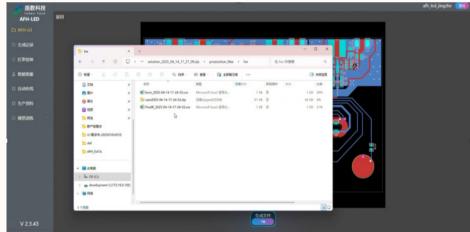


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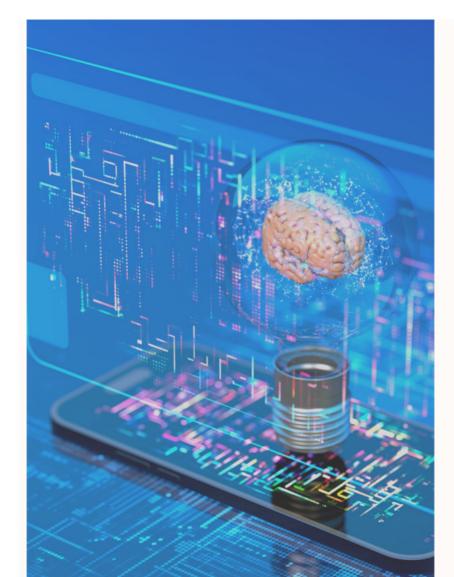


### 指数科技 AFH-LED AI+KiCad PCBA Gen.

#### AFH-LED:

AI + KiCad
generates control
boards for LED
lighting products
according to
requirements,
including electronic
design and
supporting
embedded code
projects, bringing
an extremely fast
experience to
prototype design.







# Advantages and Prospects of AI - enabled PCB Design



### Improve design efficiency

Shorten the product development cycle and improve design accuracy.

#### Liberate innovation

Al handles tedious tasks, allowing engineers to focus on innovation.

#### Security and efficiency

Anticipate circuit failures, detect potential problems and enhance design safety.

Combine with quantum computing and edge computing to promote intelligent design.



# The future development direction of Al and electronic design



### The integration of AI and EDA tools

Promote a more efficient design process and enhance the collaborative design capabilities.



#### Interdisciplinary cooperation

Al deeply integrates with multiple fields, facilitating the emergence of more intelligent hardware products.



#### The future of intelligent design

All drives the innovation of electronic design and shapes an intelligent and connected future world.



# The new era of AI + electronic design

The significance of the transformation is profound.

All has completely revolutionized the electronics design industry, enhancing efficiency and innovation.

Seize the opportunities

Actively embrace AI technology and shift from traditional development to AI - integrated development.

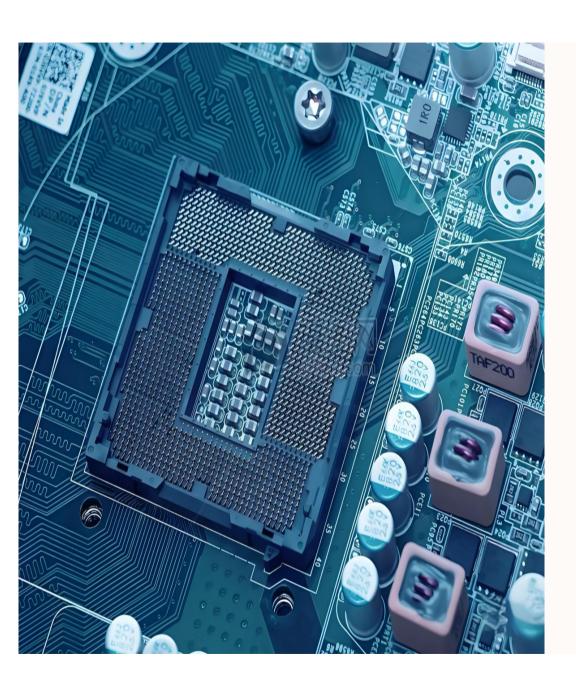
The future is irresistible

AI + electronic design will become the industry standard.

Welcome the intelligent future

Jointly promote the intelligent transformation of the electronic design industry.





## **THANK YOU**



