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Design and Implementation of High Throughput Multiplier

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Abstract

Design of a high performance and high density multiplier is presented. This multiplier is constructed by using the Delay efficient carry skip adder. In previous we read about the designing of multipliers using the ripple carry adders and carry select adders. By using the ripple carry adders and carry select adders the propagation delay is high. In this paper, we present a carry skip adder (CSKA) structure that has a higher speed yet lower energy consumption compared with the conventional one. The speed enhancement is achieved by applying concatenation and incrimination schemes to improve the efficiency of the conventional CSKA (Conv-CSKA) structure. The structure may be realized with both fixed stage size and variable stage size styles, wherein the latter further improves the speed and energy parameters of the adder.The proposed multiplier design involves significantly less delay than the recently proposed multipliers using carry select adders. The results are synthesized using Xilinx 13.2 Software and simulated using Modelsim Software.

Key words: Delay, CSKA, Multiplier.

Introduction

Multiplication [3] is the most important arithmetic operation in signalprocessing applications. All the signal and data processing operations involve multiplication. As speed is always a constraint in the multiplication operation, increasein speed can be achieved by reducing the number of steps inthe computation process. The speed of multiplier determines the efficiency of such a system. In any system design, the three main constraints which determine the performance of the system are speed, area and power requirement. Vedic mathematics [1] was reconstructed from the ancient Indian scriptures (Vedas) by Swami Bharati Krishna Tirthaji Maharaja (1884-1960) after his eight years of research on Vedas. Vedic mathematics is mainly based on sixteen

principles or word-formulae which are termed as sutras. This is a very interesting field and presents some effective algorithms which can be applied to various branches of engineering such as computing and digital signal processing. Integrating multiplication with Vedic Mathematics techniques would result in the saving of computational time.

Thus, integrating Vedic mathematics for the multiplier design will enhance the speed of multiplication operation. The multiplier architecture is based on UrdhvaTiryagbhyam[4] (vertical and cross-wise algorithm) sutra. An illustration of UrdhvaTiryagbhyam sutra is shown in Fig 1.

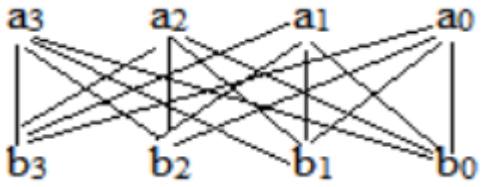

Fig 1 Illustration of UrdhvaTiryagbhyam Sutra

The 4x4 multiplication has been done in a single line in UrdhvaTiryagbhyamsutra[1], whereas in shift and add (conventional) method, four partial products have to be added to get the result. Thus, by using UrdhvaTiryagbhyam Sutra in binary multiplication, the number of steps required calculating the final product will bereduced and hence there is a reduction in computational time and increase in speed of the multiplier.

ADDERS are a key building block in multipliers [5] and hence increasing their speed and reducing their power/energy consumption strongly affect the speed and power consumption of processors. There are many works on the subject of optimizing the speed and power of these units. Obviously, it is highly desirable to achieve higher speeds at low-power/energy consumptions, which is a challenge for the designers of general purpose processors. One of the effective techniques to lower the power consumption of digital circuits is to reduce the supply voltagedue to quadratic dependence of the switching energy on the voltage. Moreover, the sub threshold current, which is the main leakage component in OFF devices, has an exponential dependence on the supply voltage level through the drain-induced barrier lowering effect [6]. Depending on the amount of the supply voltage reduction, the operation of ON devices may reside in the super threshold, near-threshold, or sub threshold regions. Working in the super threshold region provides us with lower delay and higher switching and leakage

powers compared with the near/sub threshold regions.

To improve the performance of the adder structures at low supply voltage levels, some methods have been proposed in [6]. In [6], an adaptive clock stretching operation has been suggested. The method is based on the observation that the critical paths in adder units are rarely activated.

Therefore, the slack time between the critical paths and the off-critical paths may be used to reduce the supply voltage. When the critical timing paths in the adder are activated, the structure uses two clock cycles to complete the operation. This way the power consumption reduces considerably at the cost of rather small throughput degradation. In [7], the efficiency of this method for reducing the power consumption of the RCA structure has been demonstrated.

II. PROPOSED 8X8 MULTIPLIER

The 8- bit multipliers designed using four 4x4 Vedic multipliers which employ UrdhvaTiryagbhyam sutra and carry - skip technique for partial product addition. The output of these Vedic multipliers is added by modifying the logic levels of ripple carry adder. Block diagram of the proposed 8x8 multiplier is illustrated in fig 2. The 8 - bit input sequence is divided into two 4 - bit numbers and given as inputs to the 4 - bit multiplier blocks (a [7:4] & b[7:4], a[3:0] & b[7:4], a[7:4] & b[3:0], a[3:0] & b[3:0]) .

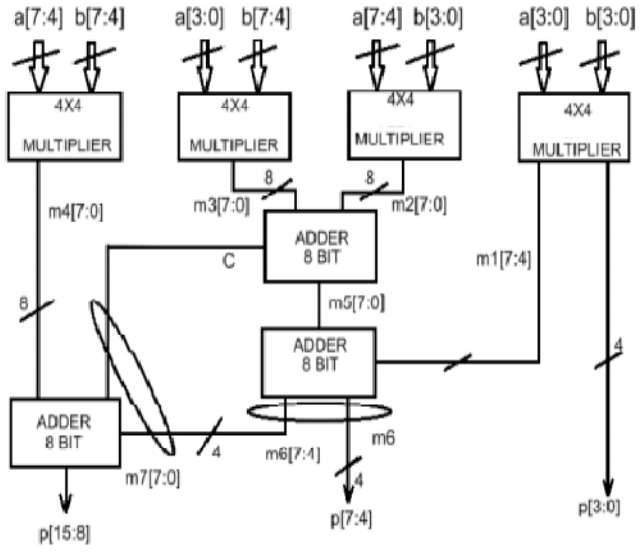

Fig 2Block diagram of proposed 8x8 Multiplier

The four multipliers used (in fig 2) are similar and give 8 – bit intermediate products which are added using overlapping logic with the help of three modified carry skip adders (ADDER -1, ADDER-2 and ADDER-3), explained in subsequent section.

III.ADDER DESIGN

The structure is based on combining the concatenation and the incrementation schemes [8] with the Conv-CSKA structure, and hence, is denoted by CI-CSKA. It provides us with the ability to use simpler carry skip logics. The logic replaces 2:1 multiplexers by AOI/OAI compound gates. The gates, which consist of fewer transistors, have lower delay, area, and

smaller power consumption compared with those of the 2:1 multiplexer. Note that, in this structure, as the carry propagates through the skip logics, it becomes complemented. Therefore, at the output of the skip logic of even stages, the complement of the carry is generated. The structure has a considerable lower propagation delay with a slightly smaller area compared with those of the conventional one. Note that while the power consumptions of the AOI (or OAI) gate are smaller than that of the multiplexer, the power consumption of the proposed CI-CSKA is a little more than that of the conventional one. This is due to the increase in the number of the gates, which imposes a higher wiring capacitance (in the noncritical paths).

Now, we describe the internal structure of the proposed CI-CSKA shown in Fig 3 in more detail. The adder contains two N bits inputs, A and B, and Q stages[9]. Each stage consists of an RCA block with the size of $Mj(j = 1, \ldots, Q)$. In this structure, the carry input of all the RCA blocks, except for the first block which is Ci , is zero (concatenation of the RCA blocks). Therefore, all the blocks execute their jobs simultaneously. In this structure, when the first block computes the summation of its corresponding input bits (i.e., $SM1, \ldots, S1$), and $C1$, the other blocks simultaneously compute the intermediate results [i.e., $\{ZK j+Mj , \ldots , ZK j+2, ZK j+1\}$ for $K j = \_j-1 r=1 Mr (j = 2, \ldots , Q)$], and also Cjsignals. In the proposed structure, the first stage has only one block, which is RCA. The stages 2 to Q consist of two blocks of RCA and incrementation. The incrementation block uses the Fig 3. Internal structure of the j th incrementation block, $K j = \_j-1r=1 Mr(j= 2, \ldots , Q)$. Intermediate results generated by the RCA block and the carry output of the previous stage to calculate the final summation of the stage. The internal structure of the incrementation block, which contains a chain of half-adders (HAs), is shown in Fig 4. In addition, note that, to reduce the delay considerably, for computing the carry output of the stage, the carry output of the incrementation block is not used. The skip logic [9] determines the carry output of the j th stage (CO, j) based on the intermediate results of the j th stage and the carry output of the previous stage ($CO, j-1$) as well as the carry output of the corresponding RCA block (Cj).

When determining CO, j , these cases may be encountered. When $Cj$is equal to one, CO, j will be one. On the other hand, when $Cj$is equal to zero, if the product of the

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intermediate results is one (zero), the value of *CO, j* will be the same as *CO, j*−1 (zero).The reason for using both AOI and OAI compound gates as the skip logics is the inverting functions of these gates in standard cell libraries. This way the need for an inverter gate, which increases the power consumption and delay, is eliminated[9].

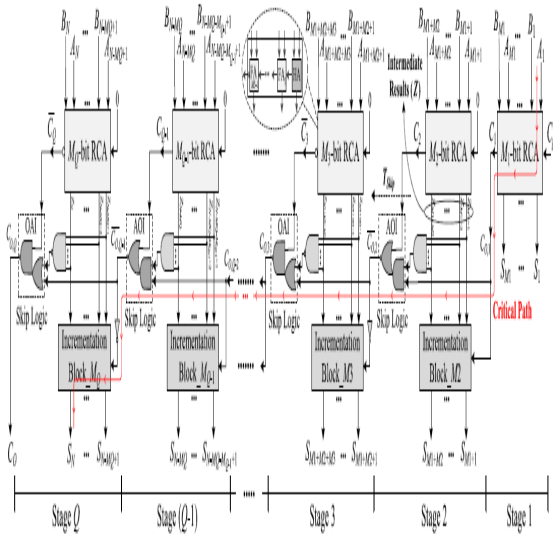

Fig 3 Proposed CI-CSKA structure

As shown in Fig. 2, if an AOI is used as the skip logic, the next skip logic should use OAI gate. In addition, another point to mention is that the use of the proposed skipping structure in the Conv-CSKA structure increases the delay of the critical path considerably. This originates from the fact that, in the Conv-CSKA, the skip logic (AOI or OAI compound gates) is not able to bypass the zero carry input until the zero carry input propagates from the corresponding RCA block [10]. To solve this problem, in the proposed structure, we have used an RCA block with a carry input of zero (using the concatenation approach). This way, since the RCA block of the stage does not need to wait for the carry output of the previous stage, the output carries of the blocks are calculated in parallel.

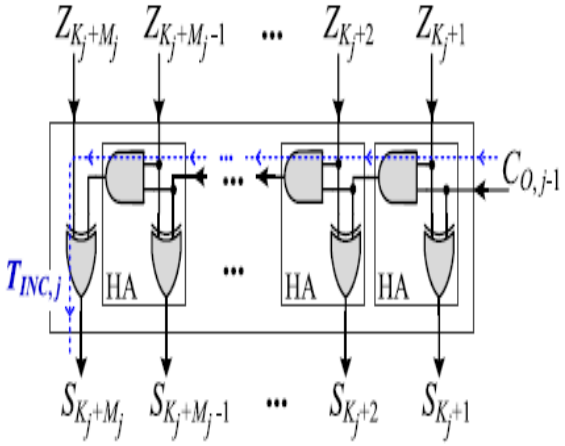

Fig 4 Internal structure of the *j* th incrementation block

IV. RESULT

The proposed 8 - bit multiplier is coded in Verilog HDL, simulated using Xilinx ISim simulator, synthesized using Xilinx XST for Spartan 6: xc6slx4 - 3tqg144 FPGA and verified for possible inputs given below. Inputs are generated using Verilog HDL test bench. The simulation result for 8 – bit multiplier is shown in the Fig 5.

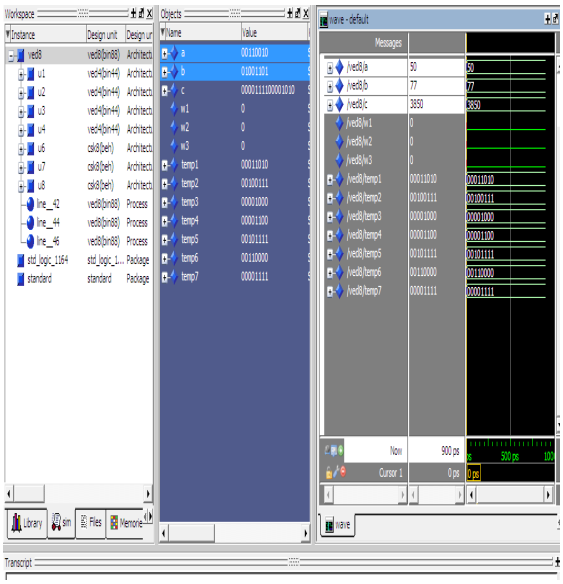

Fig 5Simulation results for various input combinations

V. CONCLUSION

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