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## VLSI DESIGN OF POWER-DELAY EFFICIENT REDUCED MEMORY FFT PROCESSOR IN MOBILE COMMUNICATION

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### ABSTRACT

In the present work Fast Fourier transform (FFT) processing is one of the key procedures in popular orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) communication systems. Structured pipeline architectures, low power consumption, high speed and reduced chip area are the main concerns in this VLSI implementation. This processor can be used in various OFDM-based communication systems, such as Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave access (Wi-Max), digital audio broadcasting (DAB), and digital video broadcasting-terrestrial (DVB-T). We adopt single-path delay feedback architecture. In our proposed work reduction of the size of FFT processor and power minimization is main concern. To reduce the size of FFT processor the repeated operation from radix-2 is minimized with the help of radix-8. In our present work we are using DIT FFT for obtaining our desired purpose. Thus we consume the low power, highly accurate and efficient processor with reduced chip size. The OFDM based communication systems have high performance

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### I. INTRODUCTION

The Fourier transform of a function of time itself is a complex-valued function of frequency, whose absolute value represents the amount of that frequency present in the original function, and whose complex argument is the phase offset of the basic sinusoid in that frequency. The Fourier transform is called the frequency domain representation of the original signal. The term Fourier transform refers to both the frequency domain representation and the mathematical operation that associates the frequency domain representation to a function of time. It has been difficult to generate such a signal, and even harder to receive and demodulate the signal. Mobile communication need to transmits a large number of

narrowband carriers, closely spaced in the frequency domain. In order to avoid a large number of modulators and filters at the transmitter and complementary filters and demodulators at the receiver, it is desirable to be able to use modern digital signal processing techniques, such as fast Fourier transform (FFT).

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) is a fundamental digital signal processing algorithm. DFT is the decomposition of a sampled signal in terms of sinusoidal (complex exponential) components. The symmetry and periodicity properties of the DFT are exploited to significantly lower its computational requirements [1]. The resulting algorithms are known as Fast Fourier Transforms (FFTs). The basis of the FFT is that a DFT can be divided into smaller

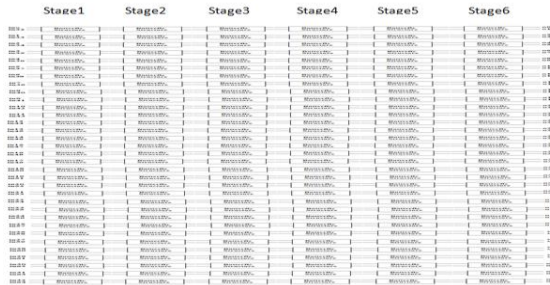
DFTs. In the FFT-64 processor a radix-8 FFT algorithm is used.

1. **FFT PROCESSOR**

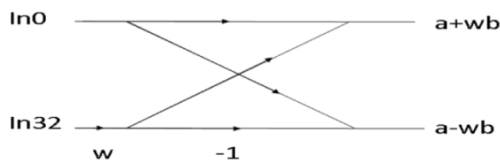
The conventional signal and image processing applications requires high computational power based on Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) in addition to the ability to choose the algorithm and architecture. FFT module is core part of OFDMA system as defined by IEEE Std 802.16-2005. The FFT operates by decomposing an  $N$  point time domain signal into  $N$  time domain signals each composed of a single point. The second step is to calculate the  $N$  frequency spectra corresponding to these  $N$  time domain signals. Lastly, the  $N$  spectra are synthesized into a single frequency spectrum. The design about variable point FFT processor is just based on FFT module in OFDMA system application.

2. **RADIX-2 ALGORITHM**

The Radix-2 algorithm consist of six stages. The structure for 64 point Radix-2 is shown below



The butterfly structure for 2 point DIT FFT is explained below



For  $(a+wb)$ :-  

$$= (a_r + ja_i) + (w_r + jw_i)(b_r + jb_i)$$

$$= (a_r + w_r b_r - w_i b_i) + j(a_i + w_r b_i + w_i b_r)$$
 **(1)**

For  $(a-wb)$ :-  

$$= (a_r + ja_i) - [(w_r + jw_i)(b_r + jb_i)]$$

$$= (a_r - w_r b_r + w_i b_i) + j(a_i - w_r b_i - w_i b_r)$$
 **(2)**

From equation 1 & 2 it is observed that four multiplier and four adder is required. since there are two nodes present in the butterfly structure

therefore total eight multiplier and eight adder will be needed.

The radix-2 FFT algorithm is obtained by using the divide-and-conquer approach split the output sequence  $X(k)$  into two summations, one of which involves the sum over the first  $2/ N$  data points and the second sum involves the last  $2/ N$  data points. Thus we obtain,

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{(N/2)-1} x(n)W_N^{nk} + \sum_{n=N/2}^{N-1} x(n)W_N^{nk}$$

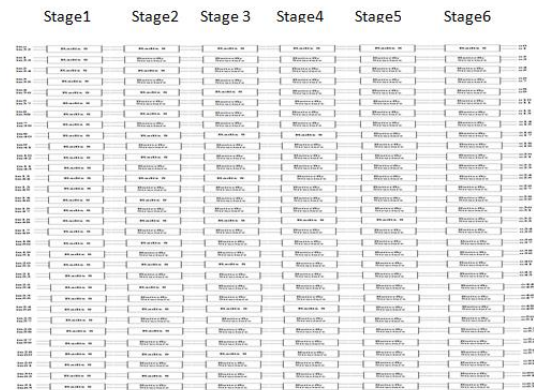
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{(N/2)-1} x(n)W_N^{nk} + \sum_{n=0}^{(N/2)-1} x(n + \frac{N}{2})W_N^{(n+N/2)k}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{(N/2)-1} x(n)W_N^{nk} + W_N^{kN/2} \sum_{n=0}^{(N/2)-1} x(n + \frac{N}{2})W_N^{nk}$$

3. **RADIX-8 ALGORITHM**

The Radix-8 algorithm also consist of six stages. In our proposed work it is found that some of the operation in Radix-2 is repeated therefore that repeated operation is optimized by using Radix-8. In our proposed work we have made Radix-8 by using Radix-2 algorithm.

The structure of 64 point Radix-8 is shown below



The butterfly structure for Radix-8 will be

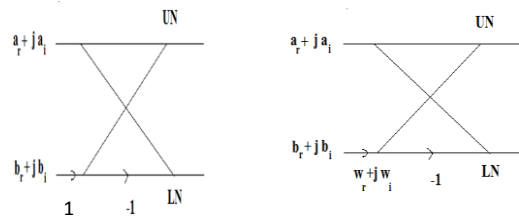


Fig.1

Fig.2

For One Node

$$o/p = (a_r + ja_i) + (b_r + jb_i)(w_r + jw_i)$$

$$=(a_r + b_r w_r - b_i w_i) + j(a_i + b_i w_i + b_r w_r) \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

For stage 1 the value  $w_r=1$  &  $w_i=0$

$$=(a_r+b_r)+j(a_i+b_i) \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

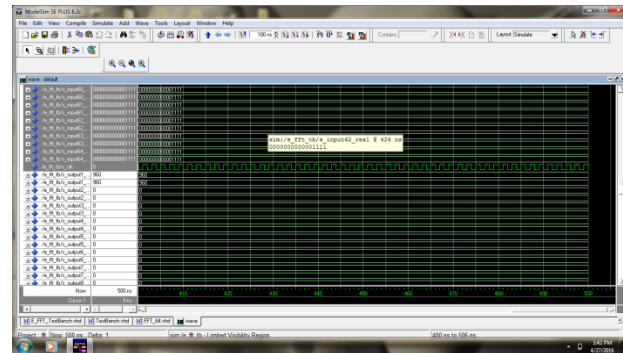
From equation 1 for both node i.e upper node and for the lower node eight multiplier and eight adder is required. So for all the six stages 1536 multiplier and 1536 adder is required. From equation 2 for both node only 4 adder is required. After optimization for all the six stages 1032 multiplier and 1284 adder is required. Thus Radix-8 reduces the number of operations which result into area minimization.

**4. IMPLEMENTATION**

The code is written for 64 point Radix-2 DIT FFT processor and 64 point Radix-8 DIT FFT processor using VHDL. The IEEE Standard 1076 defines VHDL. It is a programming language that has been designed and optimized for describing the behavior of digital circuits and systems. By using HDL one can describe any hardware at any level. VHDL makes design reuse feel natural. The simulations are done using the ModelSim tool and Xilinx. Modelsim is a multilanguage HDL , for simulation of Hardware description language such as VHDL ,Verilog etc. ModelSim SE offers high-performance and advanced debugging capabilities. We have used 13.1 version of Xilinx for simulation result. ModelSim XE stands for Xilinx Edition, and is specially designed for integration with Xilinx ISE. Xilinx ISE<sup>[2]</sup> (Integrated Synthesis Environment)<sup>[3]</sup> is a software tool produced by Xilinx for synthesis and analysis of HDL designs.

**5. SIMULATION AND RESULT**

Let  $15+15j$  is given as a input to the butterfly structure we obtain the output as  $960+960j$  . It can be seen below in the following waveform for 64 point radix-2.



For the same input the simulation result for 64 point Radix-8 is observed below.



64 point Radix-2 requires 1536 multiplier and 1536 adder whereas after optimization 64 point Radix-8 requires 1032 multiplier and 1284 adder. Thus, due to optimization of some adder and multiplier, minimization of area is possible. As power is directly proportional area therefore power efficiency is increased. Delay will remain as it is.

**6. CONCLUSION**

This paper shows the implementation of 64 point Radix-2 and 64 point Radix-8. The performance parameters like area have been calculated for both Radix-2 and Radix-8 and it has been clear from the simulation results that the Radix-8 algorithm based processor yields a higher performance as compared to an Radix-2 based processor. As it is found that  $power \propto area$  [1] therefore as area reduces then power will also declines proportionally.

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