

Design and Implementation of Vedic Multiplier using Compressors

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Abstract— It is a well-known fact that the multiplier unit forms an integral part of processor design. Hence high speed multiplier architectures become essential. This paper presents a technique to modify the architecture of the Vedic (Urdhva Tiryakbhyam) multiplier by using compressor in order to reduce area and delay to improve overall performance when compared with earlier existing architecture of Vedic multiplier and some common multipliers. The proposed design shows very good results in terms of time delay and area. The designs were synthesized and examined in Cadence RTL compiler in 45 nm technology.

Index Terms— Vedic multiplier, High-speed, Low area, Urdhva-Tiryakbhyam, compressor.

I. INTRODUCTION

While using computers and smart phones sometimes we face a situation where the device (hangs) stops responding. One of the reasons behind it is processor speed that motivated us to go for a high speed multiplier design. Multiplier in special application processors like Digital Signal Processor (DSPs) improves the speed of operation since the entire signal and data processing operations involve multiplication. Multiplication plays a vital role in DSP applications (like DFT, convolution, FFT etc.), Arithmetic and logic unit (ALU), and Multiply and Accumulate (MAC) unit. High Speed Multiplication thus becomes a necessity to increase the performance of processor.

Quite a few multipliers [1] have been designed and proposed over last few decades but for multiplication these designs need several intermediate stages to calculate the final result due to which critical path length increases hence cause more delay. Moreover, the intermediate stages need additional hardware which becomes reason for increased area and power consumption. In [2], [3] and [4] a new approach for multiplier design based on Vedic Mathematics is explored to overcome these disadvantages. Vedic Mathematics is an ancient and prominent approach that serves as base to solve many mathematical challenges experienced nowadays. Swami Bharati Krishna Tirthaji Maharaja (1884-1960) [5], a popular mathematician rediscovered and segregated ancient Vedic mathematics into 16 simple sutras (formulae) that are related to Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Analytical Geometry etc. These sutras are very simple and hence can be applied in various fields of engineering like computing, Signal Processing and VLSI [6].

In Vedic mathematics approach the partial products are calculated well in advance, even before the beginning of actual operations of multiplication. Then the final product is obtained by adding these partial products according to Vedic algorithm. This approach in turn provides a very high speed multiplication [4].

In this paper, we introduce modified compressor based multiplier architecture. This modified structure uses the 3:2 compressor, 4:2 compressor and 7:2 compressor architectures to construct 8-bit multiplier using Vedic Mathematics (Urdhva Tiryakbhyam sutra). Use of compressors instead of half adders and full adders help to improve the speed. Compressors, are logic circuits capable of adding more than 3 bits at a time with a lesser gate count and higher speed in contrast with an equivalent full adder circuit [7].

In this paper Section II describes Urdhva Tiryakbhyam Sutra for 8-bit multiplication. Explanations for compressors used for proposed multiplier architecture are given in Section III. Section IV is description of the proposed multiplier. In Section V and Section VI the comparative results and conclusions are discussed.

II. VEDIC FORMULA - URDHVA TIRYAKBHYAM

Veda is a Sanskrit word derived from the root Vid, which means to know without limit. There are four main Vedas among which Atharva Veda is source of The 16 Sutras (or aphorisms) of Vedic Mathematics.

Vedic mathematics is not only limited to India but has become an interesting topic of research abroad because of the fact that it reduces the calculations which appears complex to us in conventional mathematics to a very simple one. The reason behind this is the Vedic formulae are claimed to be based on the natural principles of the working of human mind. Among these 16 formulae, Urdhva Tiryakbhyam proves to be quite useful concept through which all partial products are generated concurrently and applicable to all cases of multiplication. "Urdhva Tiryakbhyam" is term in Sanskrit language that literally means "Vertically and Crosswise" [5]. Fig.1 gives the clear picture of the method in which the black dots at tops and bottoms of each steps represent multiplier and multiplicand bits, and the two-way arrows are indication for the bits to be multiplied to get the individual bits of the final product. Each step shown in the figure results in individual bits

of the final 16 bit product. If we consider two 8 bit numbers A7-A0 and B7-B0 then step 1 shows that we have to multiply A0 and B0 to get P0. In step 2 the second bit of product P1 will be calculated by adding (A1*B0) and (A0*B1) as given in equation (2). The carry will be added to the next step. The process continues till we get all the bits of final product. The final computed product is represented by P0 to P15 which are calculated by adding partial products obtained earlier using logical AND operation. C1 to C32 are the carry bits generated during the calculation of the individual bits of the final product. The carry bits generated in the last can be ignored if they are superfluous.

$$P_0 = A_0 * B_0 \quad (1)$$

$$C_1 P_1 = (A_1 * B_0) + (A_0 * B_1) \quad (2)$$

$$C_3 C_2 P_2 = (A_2 * B_0) + (A_0 * B_2) + (A_1 * B_1) + C_1 \quad (3)$$

$$C_5 C_4 P_3 = (A_3 * B_0) + (A_2 * B_1) + (A_1 * B_2) + (A_0 * B_3) + C_2 \quad (4)$$

$$C_7 C_6 P_4 = (A_4 * B_0) + (A_3 * B_1) + (A_2 * B_2) + (A_1 * B_3) + (A_0 * B_4) + C_3 + C_4 \quad (5)$$

$$C_{10} C_9 C_8 P_5 = (A_5 * B_0) + (A_4 * B_1) + (A_3 * B_2) + (A_2 * B_3) + (A_1 * B_4) + (A_0 * B_5) + C_5 + C_6 \quad (6)$$

$$C_{13} C_{12} C_{11} P_6 = (A_6 * B_0) + (A_5 * B_1) + (A_4 * B_2) + (A_3 * B_3) + (A_2 * B_4) + (A_1 * B_5) + (A_0 * B_6) + C_7 + C_8 \quad (7)$$

$$C_{16} C_{15} C_{14} P_7 = (A_7 * B_0) + (A_6 * B_1) + (A_5 * B_2) + (A_4 * B_3) + (A_3 * B_4) + (A_2 * B_5) + (A_1 * B_6) + (A_0 * B_7) + C_9 + C_{11} \quad (8)$$

$$C_{19} C_{18} C_{17} P_8 = (A_7 * B_1) + (A_6 * B_2) + (A_5 * B_3) + (A_4 * B_4) + (A_3 * B_5) + (A_2 * B_6) + (A_1 * B_7) + C_{10} + C_{12} + C_{14} \quad (9)$$

$$C_{22} C_{21} C_{20} P_9 = (A_7 * B_2) + (A_6 * B_3) + (A_5 * B_4) + (A_4 * B_5) + (A_3 * B_6) + (A_2 * B_7) + C_{13} + C_{15} + C_{17} \quad (10)$$

$$C_{25} C_{24} C_{23} P_{10} = (A_7 * B_3) + (A_6 * B_4) + (A_5 * B_5) + (A_4 * B_6) + (A_3 * B_7) + C_{16} + C_{18} + C_{20} \quad (11)$$

$$C_{27} C_{26} P_{11} = (A_7 * B_4) + (A_6 * B_5) + (A_5 * B_6) + (A_4 * B_7) + C_{19} + C_{21} + C_{23} \quad (12)$$

$$C_{29} C_{28} P_{12} = (A_7 * B_5) + (A_5 * B_6) + (A_5 * B_7) + C_{22} + C_{24} + C_{26} \quad (13)$$

$$C_{31} C_{30} P_{13} = (A_7 * B_6) + (A_6 * B_7) + C_{25} + C_{27} + C_{28} \quad (14)$$

$$C_{32} P_{14} = (A_7 * B_7) + C_{29} + C_{30} \quad (15)$$

$$P_{15} = C_{31} + C_{32} \quad (16)$$

The architecture of the 8x8 Urdhva Multiplier using full adders and half adders is shown in Fig.2.

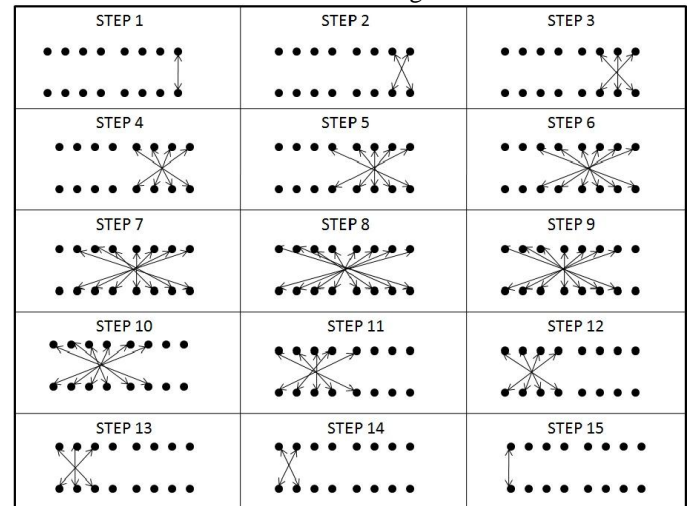


Fig. 1. Pictorial representation of Urdhva Tiryakbhyam Sutra for multiplication of 2 eight bit numbers

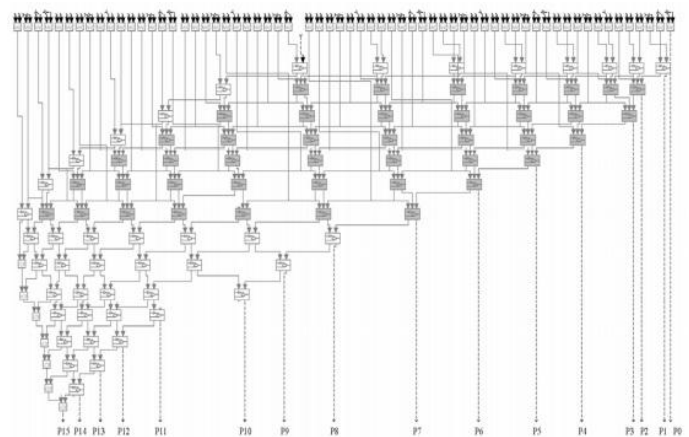


Fig. 2. Architecture of Urdhva Tiryakbhyam multiplier using full adders and half adders. The gray colored blocks are full adders and the white colored blocks is shown for half adders

III. COMPRESSORS

Compressor or a compressor adder is a combinational circuit, used to add more than three bits at a time. Here by using 4:2 compressors and 7:2 compressors we can easily replace the combination of some full adders and half adders that is used in the normal Urdhva-Tiryakbhyam multiplier architecture, hence it gives scope for design of high speed

performance processors. The related compressors circuits are deliberated below.

A. 3:2 Compressor

The 3:2 compressors is a combinational circuit that can add 3 single bit inputs and produces 2 bit output. In Fig. 3 the gate level structure of 3:2 compressor is depicted [8].

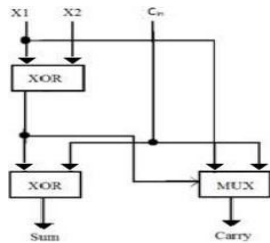


Fig. 3. Gate level diagram of 3:2 compressor.

B. 4:2 Compressor

The 4:2 compressors is a combinational circuit that can add 4 single bit inputs and one carry input bit to produce 3 bit output. In Fig. 4 the gate level structure of 4:2 compressor is depicted [13].It uses 3:2 compressor and it was shown in Fig 4. We can observe that the critical path is smaller when compared with an equivalent circuit that can add 5 bits by using full adders and half adders [9].

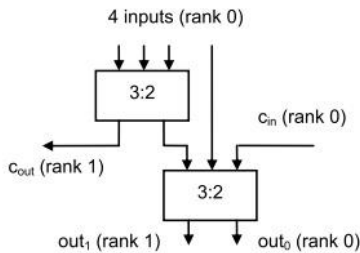


Fig. 4. 4:2 Compressor structure by using 3:2 compressor.

C. 7:2 Compressor

The 7:2 compressors is capable of adding 7 single bit inputs and two carry inputs from previous stage at a time, and as a result produces 4 bit output. The 7:2 compressor here utilizes the five 3:2 compressors. We can see the architecture for 7:2 compressor in Fig 5 [9].

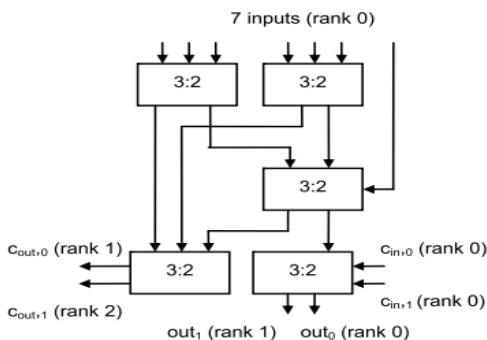


Fig. 5. 7:2 Compressor structure by utilizing 3:2 compressors

IV. PROPOSED MULTIPLIER

Urdhva Tiryakbhyam method based multiplier uses several full adders and half adders for partial products addition and results in large propagation delay. This propagation delay can be reduced by using compressors in the basic Urdhva Tiryakbhyam multiplier architecture. [9] Suggests one of the possible architecture but when we look at the number of parallel stages it can still be improved. Therefore we have proposed an architecture for the multiplier by using compressors and half adders that consists of just 2 parallel stages whereas the previous design have 12 parallel stages .The significant amount of reduction in the number of parallel stages is a major improvement as we are going for low area and high speed design. The proposed architecture is shown in Fig. 6.

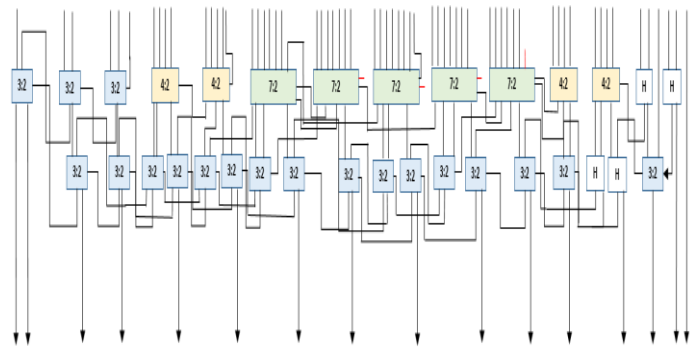


Fig. 6. Hardware architecture of proposed multiplier

V. RESULTS

To compare the performance among various multipliers such as Array multiplier, Urdhva multiplier, Karatsuba algorithm optimized multiplier [10] and modified compressor based Urdhva multiplier were designed using Verilog coding and evaluated by Cadence Encounter RTL Compiler in 45 nm technology by mapping the design to the fast library. Effectiveness of the proposed multiplier design can be clearly observed by looking at Table 1, where the results have been tabulated.

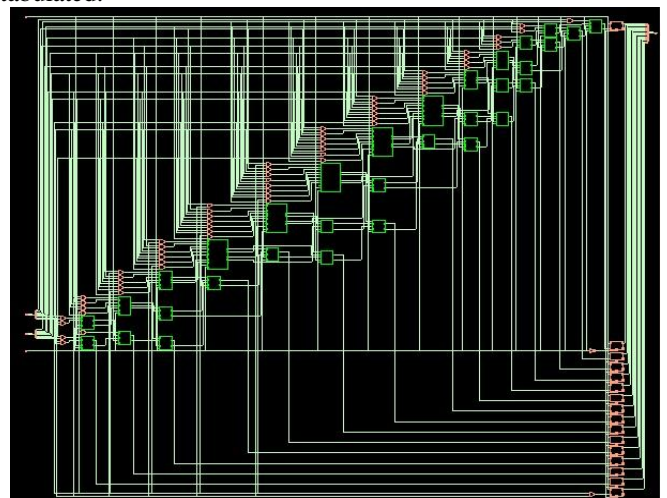


Fig. 7. RTL schematic of proposed 8 bit multiplier

Table 1. Comparison of speed and area occupied by different multiplier architectures

Multipliers	Delay (ps)	Cells	Area (micro meter square)
Proposed multiplier	506	554	27541
Urdhva Tiryakbhyam multiplier	515	1013	29869
Karatsuba algorithm optimized multiplier	1471	815	20347
Array multiplier	2408	1672	47714

The delay is minimum for proposed multiplier and also the area occupied by this design is reduced since the compressor based adders reduces the number of gates as compared to a full adder or half adder.

VI. CONCLUSION

Hence In this paper, a high speed multiplier architecture for multiplication of two 8 bit numbers that includes the advantages of compressor based adders and the ancient Vedic maths methodology is proposed. The proposed multiplier is compared with that of existing Urdhva multiplier and two other popular multipliers. After comparison of its speed and area occupied by the multiplier we can deduce that the proposed architecture of compressor based Vedic maths multiplier is better than conventional multipliers used in several complex VLSI circuits. As a future work, the multiplier can be expanded for 16 bits and 32 bits and can be tested for its performance after implementing in an ALU.

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