Reconfigurable Systems

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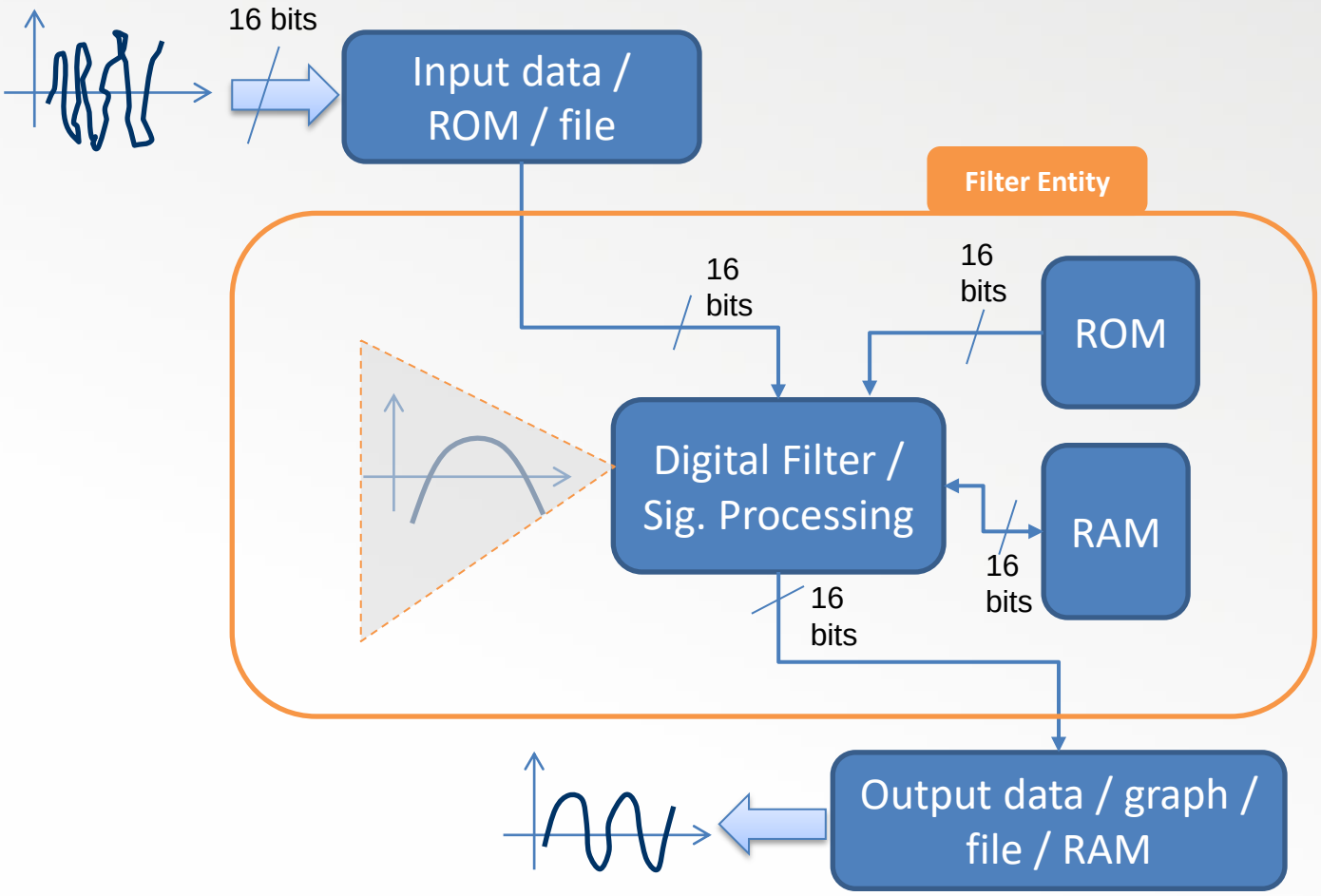
Assignment 3

- The purpose of this project is to implement a digital FIR filter in VHDL and test it with digital data
- The digital filter should be either a Low-pass or a Band-pass filter
- The filter can be defined using a web application tool available (example: http://t-filter.engineerjs.com/)
- An entity for the filter should be designed, while the input and output data can be defined in the testbench

Assignment 3 - schematic



Assignment 3 – input and output data

- The input data can be provided to the filter either in a text file, or in a ROM memory/array
- The output data can be written/stored in a text file, or in a RAM memory/array, or both, however the output data stored in a text file will allow a graph generation to easily verify the filter correct operation
- Examples of a text file reading/writing is provided in the next slide
- An excel sheet should be used to help data conversion/verification

Example for Read and Write a file in Modelsim

```
library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.numeric_std.all;
use STD.textio.all;
use ieee.std_logic_textio.all;

entity example_file_io_tb is
end example_file_io_tb;

architecture behave of example_file_io_tb is
file file_VECTORS : text;
file file_RESULTS : text;
signal r_ADD_TERM1 : std_logic_vector(3 downto 0) := (others => '0');
signal r_ADD_TERM2 : std_logic_vector(3 downto 0) := (others => '0');
signal w_SUM       : std_logic_vector(3 downto 0);
begin
process
   variable v_ILINE     : line;
   variable v_OLINE     : line;
   variable v_ADD_TERM1 : std_logic_vector(3 downto 0);
   variable v_ADD_TERM2 : std_logic_vector(3 downto 0);
   variable v_SPACE     : character;
 begin
   file_open(file_VECTORS, "input_vectors.txt",  read_mode);
   file_open(file_RESULTS, "output_results.txt", write_mode);
   while not endfile(file_VECTORS) loop
    readline(file_VECTORS, v_ILINE);
    read(v_ILINE, v_ADD_TERM1);
    read(v_ILINE, v_SPACE);         -- read in the space character
    read(v_ILINE, v_ADD_TERM2);
    -- Pass the variable to a signal to allow the ripple-carry to use it
    r_ADD_TERM1 <= v_ADD_TERM1;
    r_ADD_TERM2 <= v_ADD_TERM2;
    wait for 60 ns;
     write(v_OLINE, w_SUM, right, c_WIDTH);
     writeline(file_RESULTS, v_OLINE);
   end loop;
   file_close(file_VECTORS);
   file_close(file_RESULTS);

   wait;
 end process;
end behave;
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input_vectors.txt:

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0000 0000
0000 0001
1000 1000
1111 1111
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output_results.txt:

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00000
00001
10000
11110
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