

7.2.1 FLP Multiplier

Hardware

- * Use 4-bit fractions and 4-bit exponents.
- * Negative numbers are represented in 2's complement.

datapath

- Major components of the FP multiplier:

- **Exponent adder**: uses a 5-bit full adder for the 2's complement exponents
- **Fraction multiplier**: implements a *shift* and *add* multiplier algorithm for the 2's complement fractions (Refer to the faster multiplier in §4-10)
- **Major control unit**: provides the signals to perform the appropriate ops of *right shifting*, *left shifting*, *exponent incrementing/decrementing*, and so forth.

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Exponent Adder

- Exponent adder:

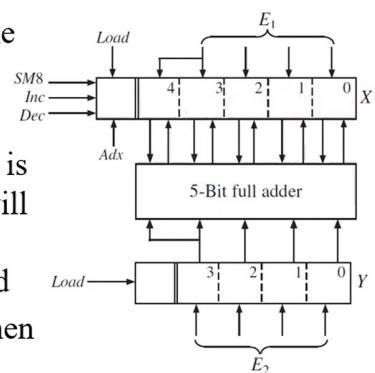
- uses a 5-bit full adder for the 2's complement exponents

- **Load, Adx**

- **Inc, Dec**: when the fraction is normalized, the exponent will have to be correspondingly incremented or decremented

- **SM8**: in the special case when product is 0, the register should be set to the value

1000



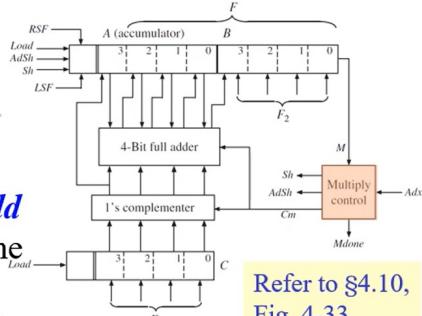
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Fraction Multiplier

- Fraction multiplier:

- implements a **shift** and **add** multiplier algorithm for the 2's complement fractions (faster multiplier in §4-10)
- Multiply 3 bits plus sign by 3 bits plus sign.
⇒ The result will be 6 bits plus sign, i.e., the lower 3 bits of A concatenated w/ B.
- **Multiply control**: generates appropriate shift and add signals depending on the multiplier bits
 - The controller is *linked* into the main controller: **Adx**, **Mdone**

linked state machine
(similar to procedure call)



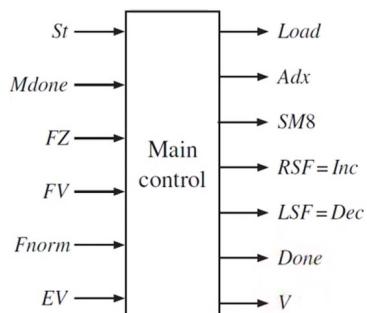
Refer to §4.10,
Fig. 4-33

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Major Control Unit

- Main control unit:

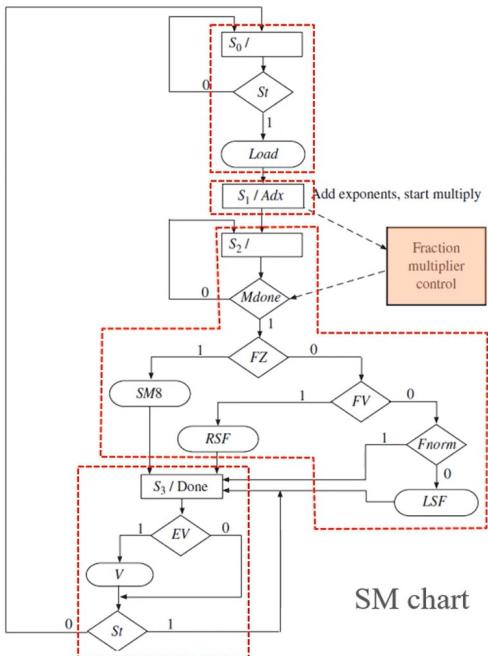
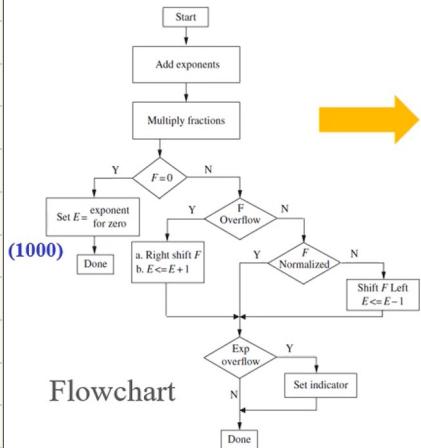
- provides the signals to perform the appropriate operations of **right shifting, left shifting, exponent +1/-1,**



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SM Chart of Main Controller

■ SM chart for floating-point multiplication



- **St:** Start the floating-point multiplication.
- **Mdone:** Fraction multiply is done.

- Input signals**
- **FZ:** Fraction is zero.
 - **FV:** Fraction overflow (fraction is too big).
 - **Fnorm:** F is normalized.
 - **EV:** Exponent overflow.

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- **Load:** Load F_1, E_1, F_2, E_2 into the appropriate registers; also clear A.

- Control signals**
- **Adx:** Add exponents; also starts the fraction multiplier.
 - **SM8:** Set exponent to -8 (1000, to handle special case of 0).
 - **RSF:** Shift fraction right; also increment E.
 - **LSF:** Shift fraction left; also decrement E.

- Output signals**
- **V:** Overflow indicator.
 - **Done:** Floating-point multiplication is complete.

State Graph of Multiplier Control

- State graph for multiplier control:

