

Multiplier

In this folder you will find 2 implementations of an accumulation-based multiplier. The files multiplier_1.v and multiplier_4.v both contain modules with 2 16-bit inputs arg1 and arg2, a 32-bit product output, and some other i/o signals. Accumulation is performed by adding arg1 to a register arg2 number of times. The multiplier_1 module accumulates 1 time per clock cycle and multiplier_4 up to 4 times. The latter module requires additional combinatorial logic feeding into the accumulator register.

Timing and Resource Analysis: multiplier_1	
Total runtime computing 67*43	435 ns
Specified clock period	100 ns
Worst Negative Slack WNS	98.286 ns
Minimum clock period Tmin	1.714 ns
Maximum clock frequency Fmax	583 MHz
# look up tables LUT	17
# of registers	32

Timing and Resource Analysis: multiplier_4	
Total runtime computing 67*43	115 ns
Specified clock period	100 ns
Worst Negative Slack WNS	97.087 ns
Minimum clock period Tmin	2.913 ns
Maximum clock frequency Fmax	343 MHz
# look up tables LUT	109
# of registers	66

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There is a tradeoff for each design: Multiplier_1 uses less hardware so it can be clocked faster (1.7ns versus 2.9 ns). Multiplier_4 uses extra hardware and must be clocked slower but uses roughly $\frac{1}{4}$ of the clock cycles that multiplier_1 does.