

Kyber modules design progress

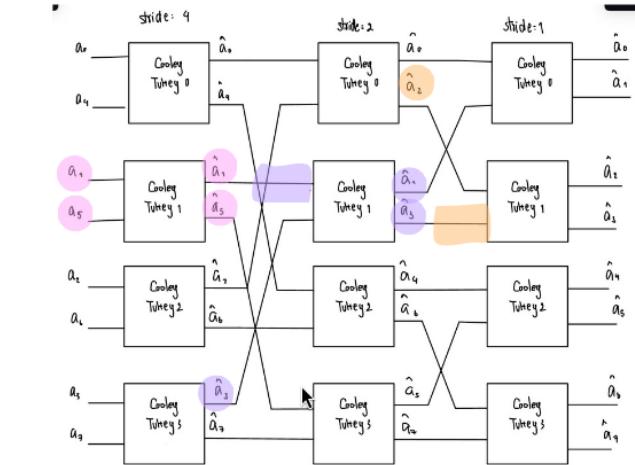
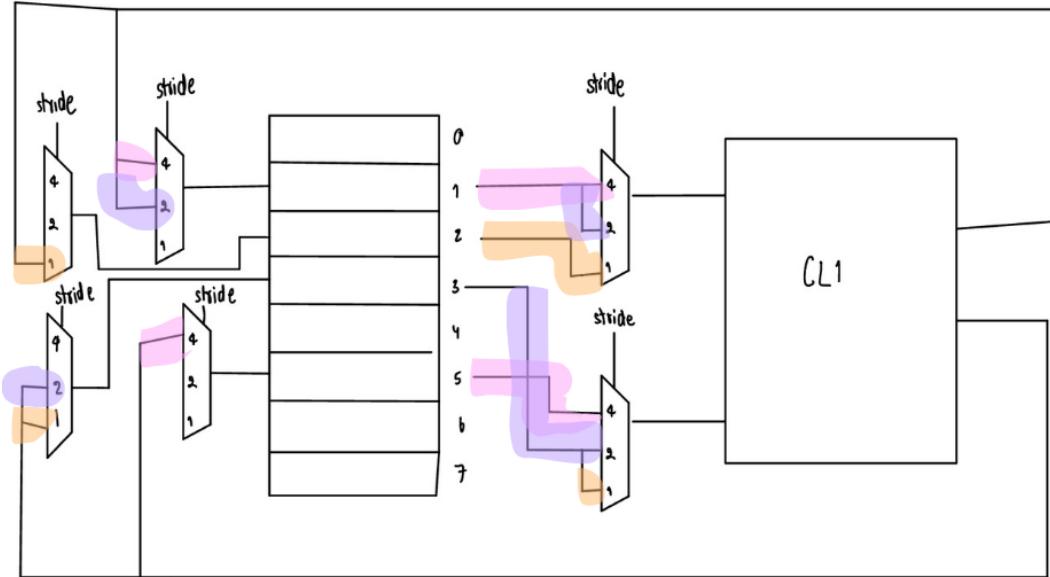
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Previous NTT module design

NTT Circuit Design



- 2 Muxes per Cooley Tukey
- 1 Mux per address in buffer
- 128 Cooley Tukey = 256 Muxes
- 256 Address = 256 Mux
- 512 Muxes

Modules

- Montgomery reduce
- fqmul
- Cooley tukey
- NTT

Montgomery Reduce

```
/*********************************************
* Name:          montgomery_reduce
*
* Description:  Montgomery reduction; given a 32-bit integer a, computes
*               16-bit integer congruent to a * R^-1 mod q,
*               where R=2^16
*
* Arguments:    - int32_t a: input integer to be reduced;
*                   has to be in {-q2^15,...,q2^15-1}
*
* Returns:      integer in {-q+1,...,q-1} congruent to a * R^-1 modulo q.
******/
```

Montgomery reduce

```
int16_t montgomery_reduce(int32_t a)
{
    int32_t t;
    int16_t u;

    u = a*QINV;
    t = (int32_t)u*KYBER_Q;
    t = a - t;
    t >>= 16;
    return t;
}
```

```
module montgomery_reduce (
    input signed [31:0] a,
    input clk,
    input [1:0] count,
    output reg signed [15:0] r
);
    localparam [15:0] q      = 16'd3329;           ■ Explicitly define q
    localparam [15:0] qinv = 16'd62209; // -q^{-1} mod 2^{16}

    reg signed [31:0] t;
    reg signed [15:0] u;
    always @ (posedge clk) begin
        case (count)
            0 : u <= (a * qinv) & 16'hffff; // 1clk;
            1 : t <= u * q; // 1clk
            2 : begin
                r <= (a - t) >>> 16;           // arithmetic shift
            end
            default: ;
        endcase
    end
endmodule
```

C

System Verilog

fqmul

```
*****
* Name:          fqmul
*
* Description:  Multiplication followed by Montgomery reduction
*
* Arguments:    - int16_t a: first factor
*                - int16_t b: second factor
*
* Returns 16-bit integer congruent to a*b*R^{-1} mod q
*****/
```

fqmul

```
static int16_t fqmul(int16_t a, int16_t b) {  
    return montgomery_reduce((int32_t)a*b);  
}
```

```
`include "montgomery_reduce.sv"  
module fqmul (  
    input clk,  
    input start,  
    input signed [15:0] a,  
    input signed [15:0] b,  
    output signed [15:0] r  
);  
  
    reg signed [31:0] mul;  
    reg [1:0] count;  
    // cycle0 :start -> count = 0 and compute a*b  
    // cycle1,2,3 : count = 0,1,2 : using 3 clks compute montgomery_reduce  
    // when count <= 3 the fqmul finihsed and do nothing  
  
    montgomery_reduce red(.a(mul), .r(r), .clk(clk), .count(count));  
    always @(posedge clk) begin  
        if (start) begin  
            count <= 0;  
            mul <= a*b;  
        end  
        else if(count < 3) begin  
            count <= count+1;  
        end  
    end  
endmodule
```

C

System Verilog

cooley_tooley

- no direct C implementation for cooley tookey function
- Imitate what each NTT loop do

```
void ntt(int16_t r[256]) {
    unsigned int len, start, j, k;
    int16_t t, zeta;

    k = 1;
    for(len = 128; len >= 2; len >>= 1) {
        for(start = 0; start < 256; start = j + len) {
            zeta = zetas[k++];
            for(j = start; j < start + len; ++j) {
                t = fmul(zeta, r[j + len]);
                r[j + len] = r[j] - t;
                r[j] = r[j] + t;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
module cooley_tooley (
    input clk,
    input start,
    input signed [15:0] a,
    input signed [15:0] b,
    input signed [15:0] zeta,
    output signed [15:0] out0,
    output signed [15:0] out1
);
    wire signed [15:0] t;

    fmul mul (
        .clk(clk),
        .start(start),
        .a(zeta),
        .b(b),
        .r(t)
    );

    assign out0 = a + t;
    assign out1 = a - t;
endmodule
```

NTT

Top module for converting
polynomial ring into NTT form

New Design

- Using 8 cooley tukey units
- 2 buffers
- Finite state machine

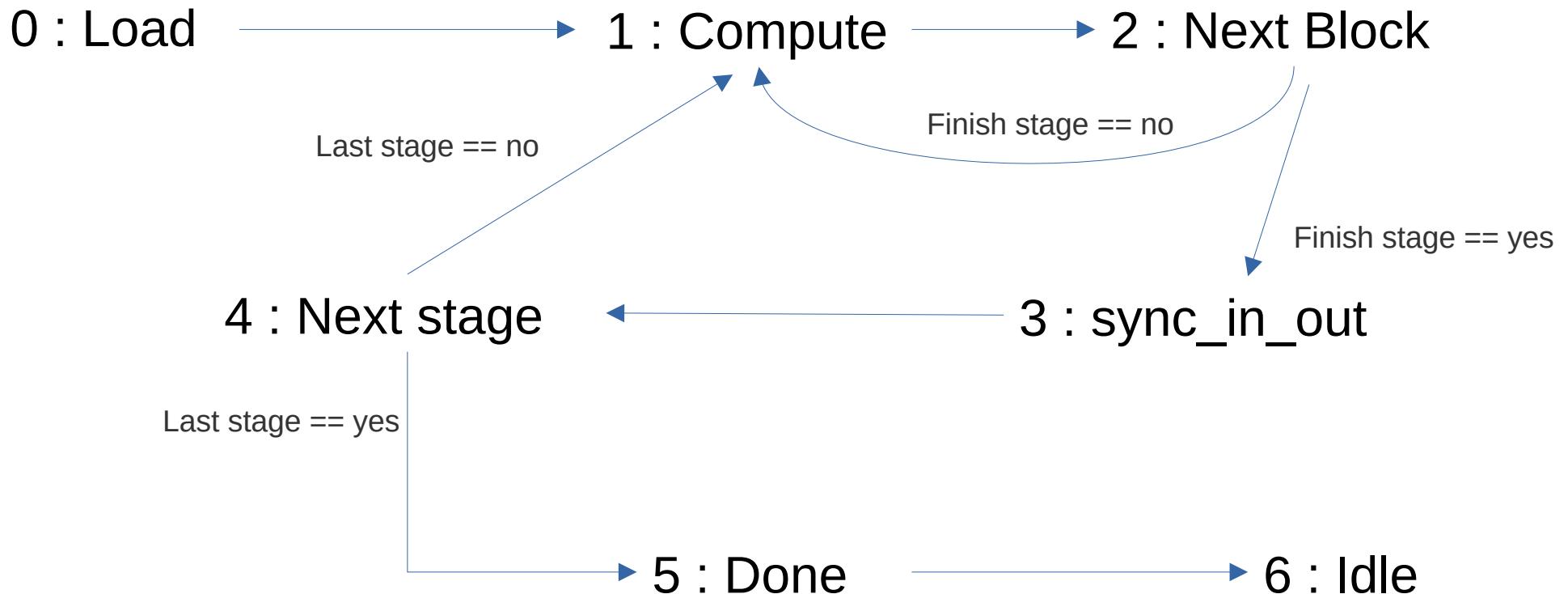
NTT description

```
*****
* Name:          ntt
*
* Description:  Inplace number-theoretic transform (NTT) in Rq
*                 input is in standard order, output is in bitreversed order
*
* Arguments:    - int16_t r[256]: pointer to input/output vector of elements
*                           of Zq
*****
/
```

Finite state machine

No.	Name	Description
0	load	Initial state : load input to buffer_in, set initial variable Go to compute(1)
1	compute	Compute CooleyTooley until next block is detected Go to next_blk(2)
2	next_blk	Set variable for next block If the current stage complete => go to sync_in_out(3) else => go back to compute(1)
3	sync_in_out	Save data from output buffer to input buffer go to next_stage(4)
4	next_stage	Set variable for next stage If (this is the last stage) : go to done(5) Else : go back to compute(1)
5	done	Save value from output buffer to output, go to idle(6)
6	idle	Do nothing waiting for next enable signal

Finite state machine



Result & Verifications

- Save RTL output to files
- C test code compare output from RTL to C-reference output

Modules other than NTT are verified by testbench
but we will skip in this presentation

NTT Testbench

```
initial begin
    fd = $fopen("ntt_out.txt", "w");
    if (fd == 0) $fatal("cannot open file");

    $readmemb("test_vect.bin", in);
    enable = 0;
    reset = 1;
    #10 reset = 0;enable = 1;
    wait(valid);
    #10;
    $display("-----Done!-----");
    for(int i = 0; i < 256;i++) begin
        $display("%d", out[i]);
    end
    for (int i = 0; i < 256; i++) begin
        $fdisplay(fd, "%0d", out[i]);
    end
    $fclose(fd);
    $finish;
end
endmodule
```

- Load input from file
- Enable & reset signal
- Write the result to file

C testcode

```
static inline int16_t mod_q(int32_t x)
{
    x %= 3329;
    if (x < 0) x += 3329;
    return (int16_t)x;
}

void poly_ntt(poly *r)
{
    ntt(r->coeffs);
    FILE *fp;
    int16_t rtl_result[256];

    fp = fopen("/home/pakin/workspace/kyber/vivado/kyber.sim/sim_1/behav/xsim/ntt_out.txt", "r");
    if (!fp) {
        perror("fopen");
        return;
    }

    for (int i = 0; i < 256; i++) {
        if (fscanf(fp, "%hd", &rtl_result[i]) != 1) {
            printf("Read error at index %d\n", i);
            break;
        }
    }

    fclose(fp);
    for (int i = 0; i < 256; i++) {
        int16_t c    = mod_q(r->coeffs[i]);
        int16_t rtl = mod_q(rtl_result[i]);

        printf("%3d: C=%6d RTL=%6d\n", i, c, rtl);
        if (c != rtl) {
            printf("MISMATCH %3d : C=%6d RTL=%6d diff=%6d\n",
                   i, c, rtl, c - rtl);
        }
    }

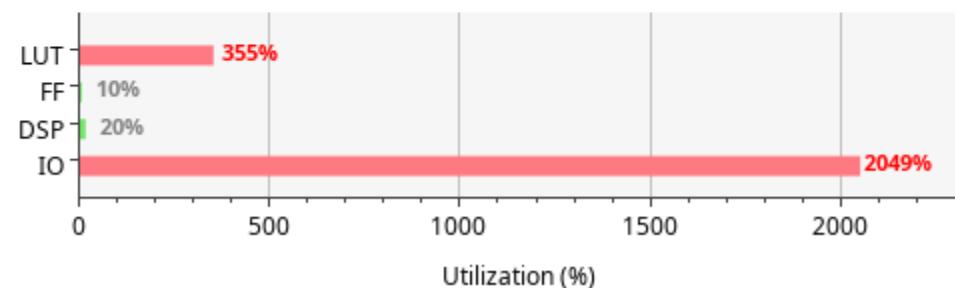
    for(int i=0; i<256; i++)
        printf("%d : %" PRIId16"\n", i, (int16_t)r->coeffs[i]);
    poly_reduce(r);
}
```

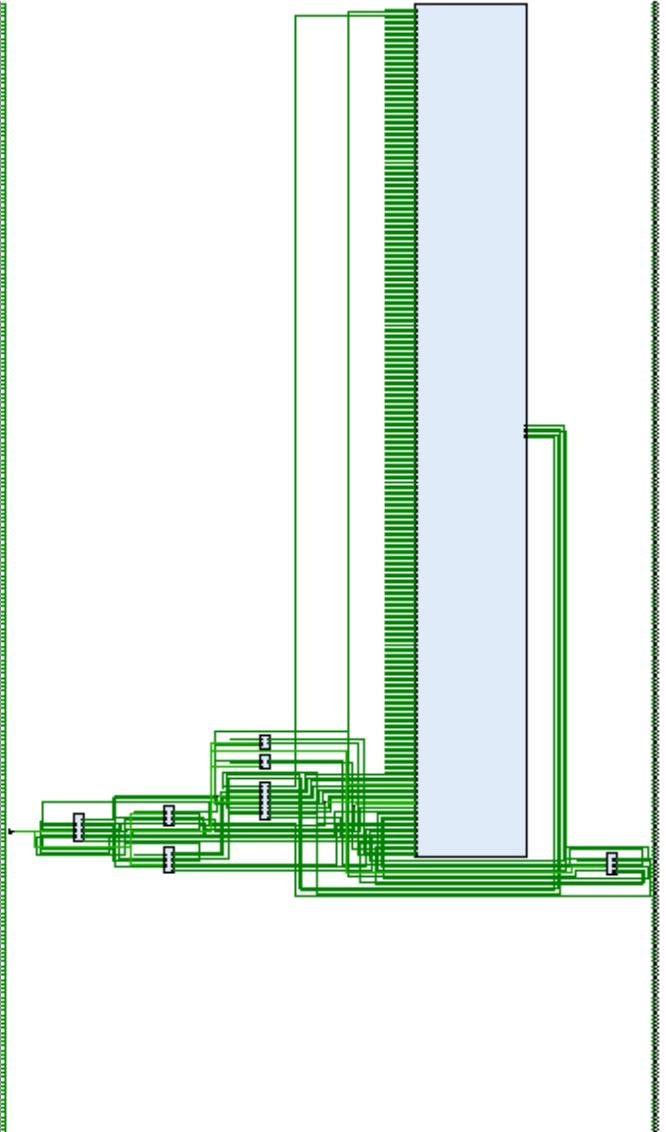
- Read RTL output file
- Mod output with 3329
- Compare with output from C code

Problems

- Correct behavioral simulation output but ...
- Resource utilization is extremely high
 - Main Problem : LUT
 - I/O : Not a real problem

Resource	Utilization	Available	Utilization %
LUT	227012	64000	354.71
FF	12555	128000	9.81
DSP	32	160	20.00
IO	8196	400	2049.00





Data flow design

- Abnormally large cooley_tukey block
- I/O are very big : My guess is : not a problem since the real implementation will be internal BRAM or wire or reg, not I/O port

Future work

- Design other module in encapsulations (Main focus)
- Improve NTT module : reduce resources usage
- Goal : Finish all encapsulation modules before end of

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