

3.4. DECIMATION IN TIME (DIT) RADIX 2 FFT:

Decimation in Time (DIT) Radix 2 FFT algorithm converts the time domain N point sequence $x(n)$ to a frequency domain N-point sequence $X(k)$. In Decimation in Time algorithm the time domain sequence $x(n)$ is decimated and smaller point DFT are performed. The results of smaller point DFTs are combined to get the result of N-point DFT.

In DIT radix -2 FFT the time domain sequence is decimated into 2-point sequences. For each 2-point sequence, 2-point DFT can be computed. From the result of 2-point DFT the 4-point DFT can be calculated. From the result of 4-point DFT the 8-point DFT can be calculated. This process is continued until we get N point DFT. This FFT algorithm is called radix-2 FFT.

In decimation in time algorithm the N point DFT can be realized from two numbers of N/2 point DFTs, The N/2 point DFT can be calculated from two numbers of N/4-point DFTs and so on.

Let $x(n)$ be N sample sequence, we can decimate $x(n)$ into two sequences of N/2 samples. Let the two sequences be $f_1(n)$ and $f_2(n)$. Let $f_1(n)$ consists of even numbered samples of $x(n)$ and $f_2(n)$ consists of odd numbered samples of $x(n)$.

$$f_1(n) = x(2n) \text{ for } n=0,1,2,3,\dots,\frac{N}{2}-1$$

$$f_2(n) = x(2n+1) \text{ for } n=0,1,2,3,\dots,\frac{N}{2}-1$$

Let $X(k)$ = N-point DFT of $x(n)$

$F_1(k)$ = N/2 point DFT of $f_1(n)$

$F_2(k)$ = N/2 point DFT of $f_2(n)$

By definition of DFT the N/2 point DFT of $f_1(n)$ and $f_2(n)$ are given by

$$F_1(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} f_1(n) W_{N/2}^{kn};$$

$$F_2(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} f_2(n) W_{N/2}^{kn}$$

Now-point DFT $X(k)$, in terms of N/2 point DFTs $F_1(k)$ and $F_2(k)$ is given by

$$X(k) = F_1(k) + W_N^k F_2(k), \text{ where, } k=0,1,2,\dots,(N-1)$$

Having performed the decimation in time once, we can repeat the process for each of the sequences $f_1(n)$ and $f_2(n)$. Thus $f_1(n)$ would result in the two $N/4$ point sequences and $f_2(n)$ would result in another two $N/4$ point sequences.

Let the decimated $N/4$ point sequences of $f_1(n)$ be $V_{11}(n)$ and $V_{12}(n)$.

$$V_{11}(n) = f_1(2n); \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \frac{N}{4} - 1$$

$$V_{12}(n) = f_1(2n+1); \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \frac{N}{4} - 1$$

Let the decimated $N/4$ point sequences of $f_2(n)$ be $V_{21}(n)$ and $V_{22}(n)$.

$$V_{21}(n) = f_2(2n); \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \frac{N}{4} - 1$$

$$V_{22}(n) = f_2(2n+1); \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \frac{N}{4} - 1$$

Let $V_{11}(k)$ = $N/4$ point DFT of $V_{11}(n)$;

$V_{12}(k)$ = $N/4$ point DFT of $V_{12}(n)$

$V_{21}(k)$ = $N/4$ point DFT of $V_{21}(n)$

$V_{22}(k)$ = $N/4$ point DFT of $V_{22}(n)$

Then like earlier analysis we can show that,

$$F_1(k) = V_{11}(k) + W_{N/2}^k V_{12}(k); \text{ for } k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, \frac{N}{2} - 1$$

$$F_2(k) = V_{21}(k) + W_{N/2}^k V_{22}(k); \text{ for } k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, \frac{N}{2} - 1$$

Hence the $N/2$ point DFTs are obtained from the results of $N/4$ point DFTs.

The decimation of the data sequence can be repeated again and again until the resulting sequences are reduced to 2-point sequences.

Flow graph for 8 point DFT using radix 2 DIT FFT

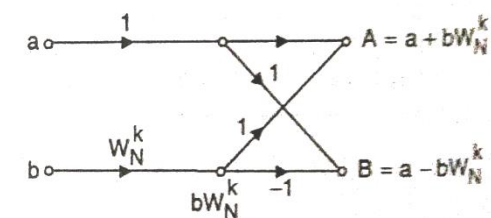


Fig.3.4.1. Basic Butterfly computation

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In each computation two complex numbers "a" and "b" are considered. The complex number "b" is multiplied by a phase factor " W_N^k ". The product " $b W_N^k$ " is

added to complex number “a” to form new complex number “A”. The product “ $b W_N^k$ ” is subtracted from complex number “a” to form new complex number “B”.

The input sequence is 8 point sequence. Therefore, $N = 8 = 2^3 = r^m$. Here $r=2$ and $m=3$. The sequence $x(n)$ is arranged in bit reversed order and then decimated into two sample sequences.

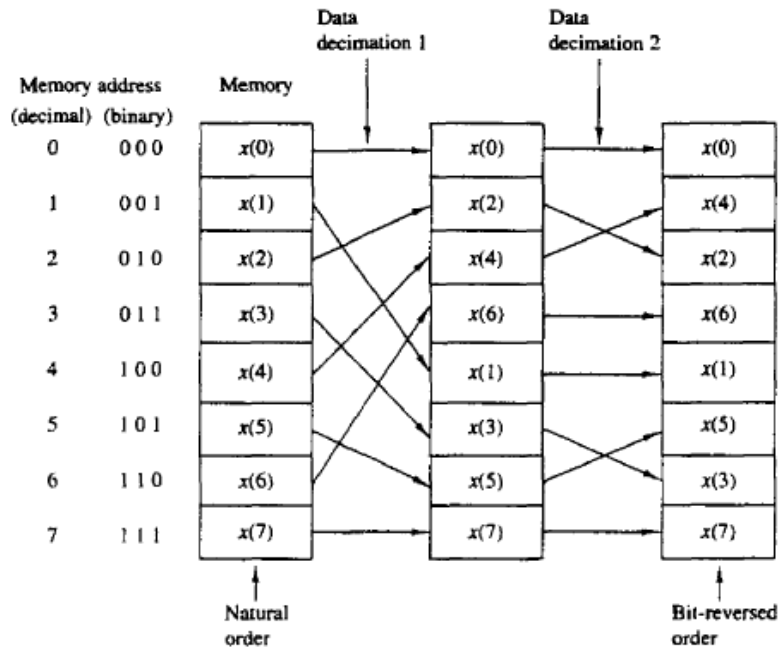


Fig.3.4.2.Bit reversed order

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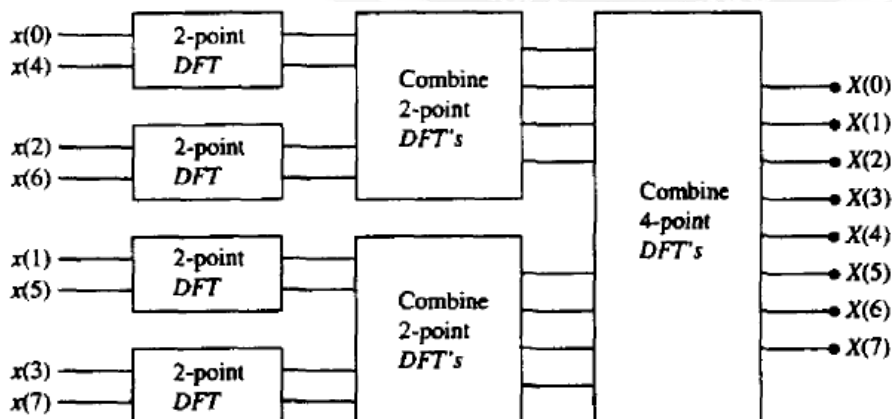


Fig 3.4.3. Three stages in the computation of an $N = 8$ point

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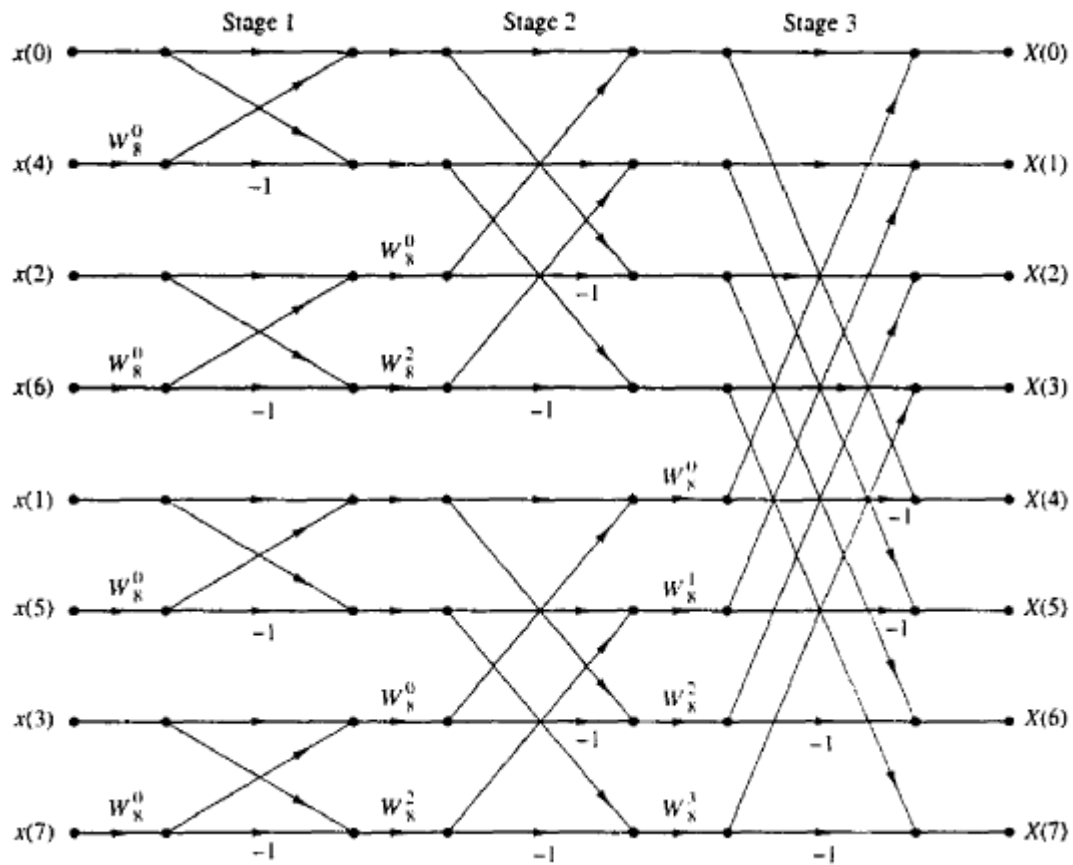


Fig 3.4.4. Eight point Decimation In Time-FFT

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