

# Chapter 7

## Systolic Arrays

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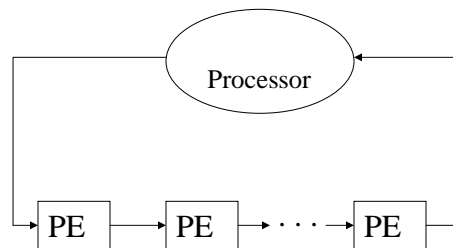
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## Systolic Architecture

- A number of usually similar processing elements connected together to implement a specific algorithm.
- Data move between PE's in a rhythmic fashion.



## Systolic Architecture

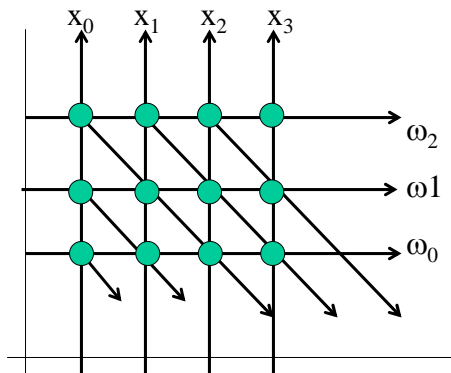
- Typically, fully pipelined (all communication between PE's contain delay element (**why?**). Also communication between neighboring PE's only.
- Some relaxation techniques can get rid of the delay. Also, there may be communication between close but not neighboring PE's
- Some processors (especially boundary ones) may be different than the rest.
- Could be used as a coprocessor

## Design Methodology

- Using linear mapping techniques from the dependence space to the space-time
- Usually, algorithm is described by a dependence graph.
- Dependence graph is regular if the presence of any edge connected to a node, means the existence of a similar edge in every node.
- There is no concept of **time** in the dependence graph.

## FIR Filter

- $Y(n) = \omega_0 x(n) + \omega_1 x(n-1) + \omega_2 x(n-2)$



- Data is moving in three directions
- $X$  in  $[0 \ 1]^T$
- $\omega$  in  $[1 \ 0]^T$
- $Y$  in  $[1 \ -1]^T$

## Design Methodology

- We map the  $N$ -dimensional DG to a lower dimension systolic architecture
- Three vectors are introduced
- Projection vector  $\mathbf{d} = [\mathbf{d}_1 \ \mathbf{d}_2]^T$
- Processor space vector  $\mathbf{P}^T = [\mathbf{p}_1 \ \mathbf{p}_2]$
- Scheduling vector  $\mathbf{S}^T = [\mathbf{S}_1 \ \mathbf{S}_2]$
- Hardware Utilization Efficiency  $= 1/|\mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{d}|$

## Design Methodology

- Projection vector
  - Two nodes are displaced by  $\mathbf{d}$  or multiple of it, are mapped to the same processor
- Processor space vector
  - Any node in the DG  $I$  ( $I^T=(i,j)$ ) is mapped to processor  $P^T I$
- Scheduling vector
  - Any node in the DG  $I$  would be executed at time  $S^T I$
- Subject to some constraints

## Design Methodology

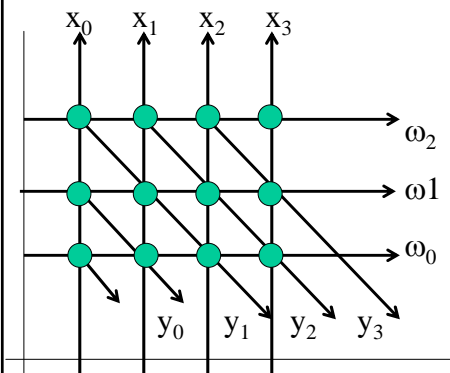
- Steps
  - Represent algorithm as a DG
  - Apply mapping (projection and scheduling)
  - Edge mapping
    - If an edge  $e$  exists in the DG, then an edge  $P^T e$  is introduced in the systolic array with  $S^T e$  delay
  - Construct the systolic array

## Design Methodology

- Constraints
  - Processor space vector and the projection vector must be orthogonal  $\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{0}$ . if  $I_A - I_B =$  multiple of  $\mathbf{d}$ , they are executed by the same processor
  - If A and B are mapped to the same processor, they should not be executed at the same time  $\mathbf{S}^T I_A \neq \mathbf{S}^T I_B$  i.e.  $\mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{d} \neq 0$

## Example -- IIR

- $Y(n) = \omega_0 x(n) + \omega_1 x(n-1) + \omega_2 x(n-2)$



Single assignment format  
with broadcasting data:

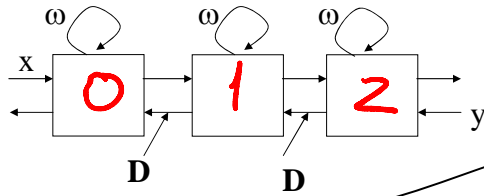
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Do n=1,2, . . .
  y1(n,-1)=0
  Do k=0,K
    y1(n,k)=y1(n,k-1)
              +w(k)*x(n-k)
  enddo
  y(n)=y1(n,K)
Enddo
  
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## Design I

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad P^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

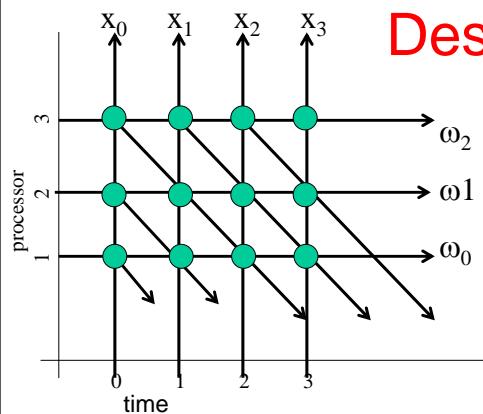
If an edge  $e$ , then an edge  $P^T e$  is introduced in the array with delay  $S^T e$



Weights stay, broadcast input, move results

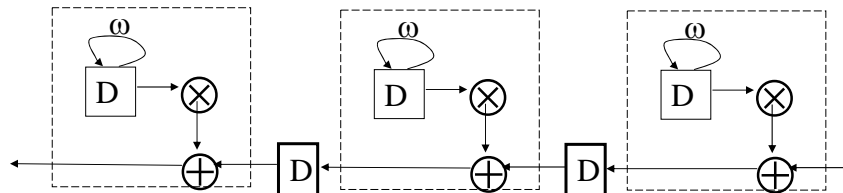
Edge $e$	$P^T e$	$S^T e$
$\omega(1 \ 0)$	0	1
$X(0 \ 1)$	1	0
$Y(1 \ -1)$	-1	1

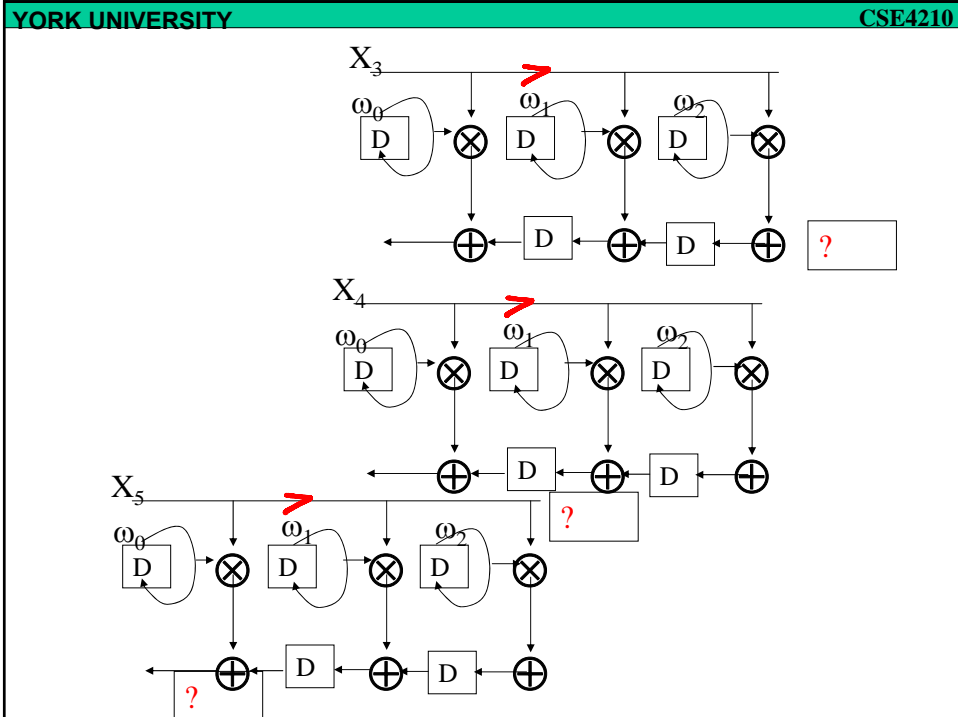
## Design I



Point  $I$  is executed in PE  $P^T I$  at time  $S^T I$

Point  $(i, j)$  is executed at PE  $j$  at time  $i$





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## Design II

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

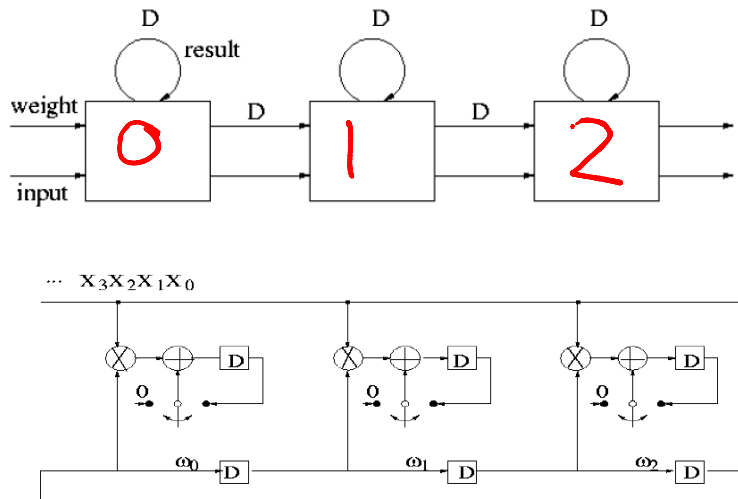
Edge e	P <sup>T</sup> e	S <sup>T</sup> e
W(1 0)	1	1
X(0 1)	1	0
Y(1 -1)	0	1

Point I is executed in PE  
P<sup>T</sup>I at time S<sup>T</sup>I

Point (i, j) is executed  
at PE i+j at time i

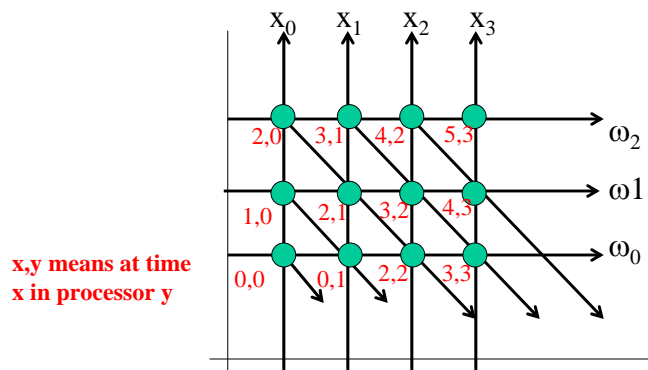
Broadcast input, move weights,  
result stay

## Design II



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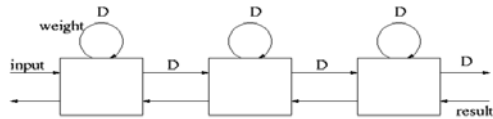
- How can you square the previous design with.
- Point  $(i,j)$  is executed at PE  $i+j$  at time  $i$





## Design III

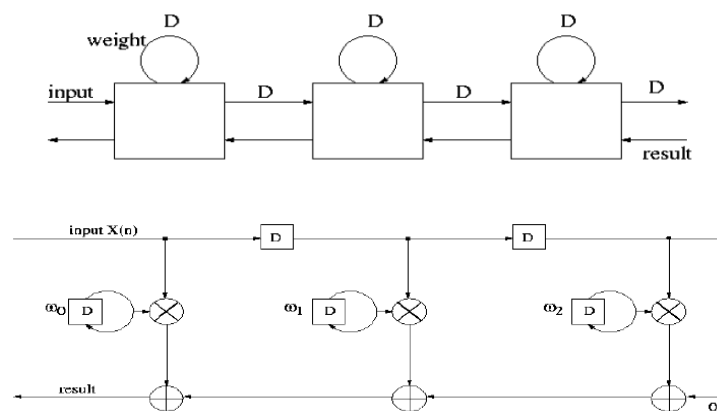
$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad P^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Edge e	$P^T e$	$S^T e$
W(1 0)	0	1
X(0 1)	1	1
Y(1 -1)	-1	0

Weights stay, move input,  
fan in output

## Design III



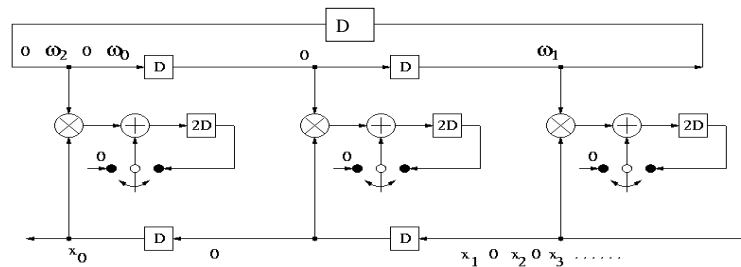
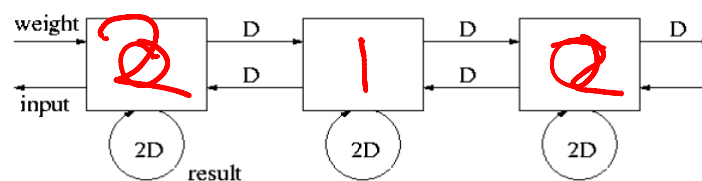
## Design IV

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Edge e	$P^T e$	$S^T e$
W(1 0)	1	1
X(0 1)	-1	1
Y(1 -1)	0	2

$$s^+ d = 2, \text{IVD} = \frac{1}{2}$$

## Design IV

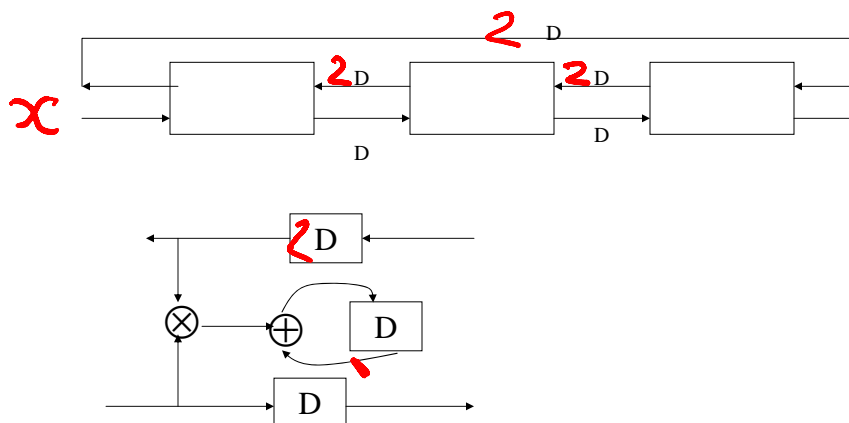


## Design V

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Edge e	$P^T e$	$S^T e$
W(1 0)	1	2
X(0 1)	1	1
Y(1 -1)	0	1

## Design V



## Dual

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P^T = [1 \quad 1] \quad S^T = [1 \quad 2]$$

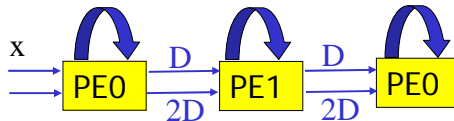
Dual of the previous design.

X and w are exchanged

Edge e	$P^T e$	$S^T e$
W(1 0)	1	1
X(0 1)	1	2
Y(1 -1)	0	1

## Design VI

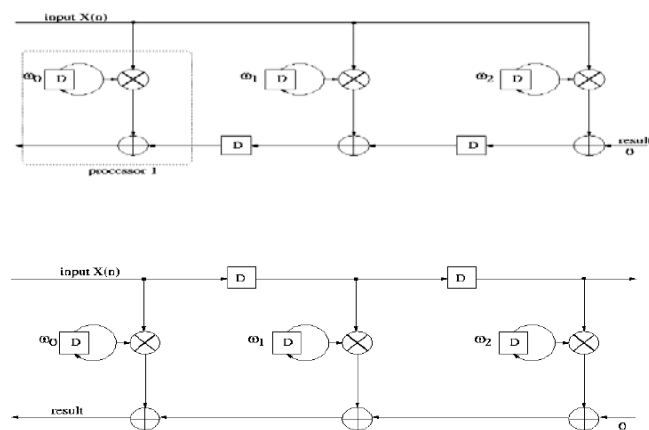
$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad P^T = [0 \quad 1] \quad S^T = [1 \quad -1]$$



Edge e	$P^T e$	$S^T e$
W(1 0)	0	1
X(0 1)	-1	1
Y(1 -1)	-1	2

# Dual

# Transformation



## Scheduling Vector

- Consider the dependence  $X \rightarrow Y$
- Y can start after X has started and completed.
- We also have to take into consideration the time it will take the data to travel from X to Y
- Constraints on the scheduling vector.

$$X : I_x = \begin{pmatrix} i_x \\ J_x \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow Y : I_y = \begin{pmatrix} i_y \\ J_y \end{pmatrix}$$



$$S_y \geq S_x + T_x$$

$$S_x = S^T I_x = (s_1 \quad s_2) \begin{pmatrix} i_x \\ J_x \end{pmatrix}$$

Linear  
scheduling

$$S_y = S^T I_y = (s_1 \quad s_2) \begin{pmatrix} i_y \\ J_y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S_x = S^T I_x = (s_1 \quad s_2) \begin{pmatrix} i_x \\ J_x \end{pmatrix} + \gamma_x$$

Affine  
scheduling

$$S_y = S^T I_y = (s_1 \quad s_2) \begin{pmatrix} i_y \\ J_y \end{pmatrix} + \gamma_y$$

Assume that  $e_{x \rightarrow y} = I_y - I_x$



Using affine scheduling,

$$S^T I_y + \gamma_y \geq S^T I_x + \gamma_x + T_x + T_{\text{comm}}$$

The scheduling inequality for an edge

$$S^T e_{x \rightarrow y} + \gamma_y - \gamma_x \geq T_x$$

## Scheduling Vector

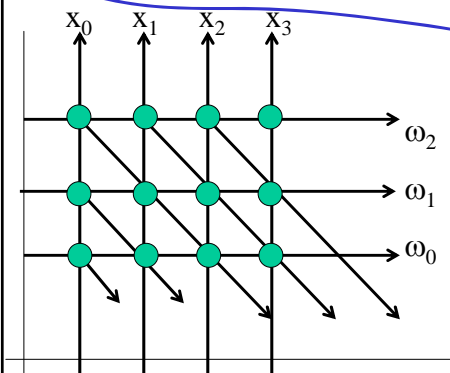
- Capture all the fundamental edges (Reduced Dependence Graph RDG).
- Use the Regular Iterative Algorithm (RIA) to describe the problem.
- Construct the scheduling inequalities and solve them for a possible  $S^T$

## RIA Description

- The regular iterative algorithm has two standard forms
- *Standard Input* if the index of the inputs are all the same for all equations
- *Standard Output* if the index of the output are all the same for all equations

## RIA Description

- $W(i+1, j) = W(i, j)$
- $X(i, j+1) = X(i, j)$
- $Y(i+1, j-1) = Y(i, j) + W(i+1, j-1)X(i+1, j-1)$

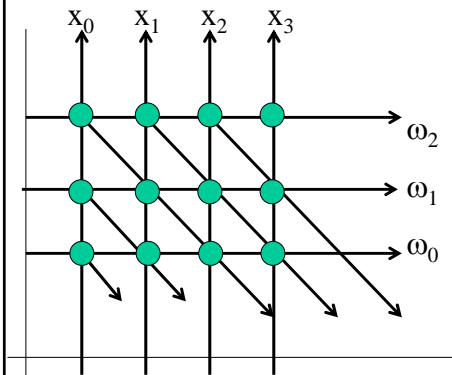


**Not RIA**  
**Indices are**  
**not the same**



## RIA Description

- $W(i,j) = W(i-1,j)$
- $X(i,j) = X(i,j-1)$
- $Y(i,j) = Y(i-1,j+1) + W(i,j)X(i,j)$



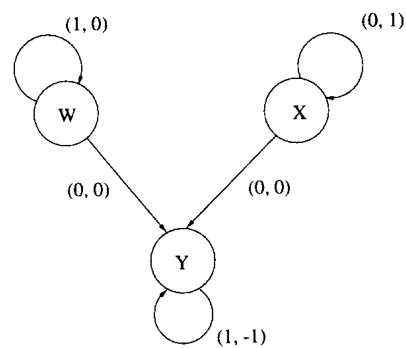
**RIA**

## RIA Description

$$W(i,j) = W(i-1,j)$$

$$X(i,j) = X(i,j-1)$$

$$Y(i,j) = Y(i-1,j+1) + W(i,j)X(i,j)$$



Reduced RIA graph for the FIR filter

$$s^T e_{x \rightarrow y} + \gamma_y - \gamma_x \geq T_x$$

$$T_{\text{mul}}=5, T_{\text{ad}}=2$$

$$T_{\text{comm}}=1$$

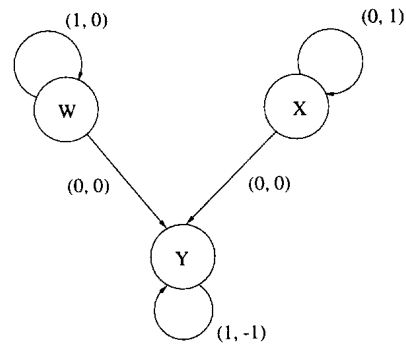
$$W \rightarrow Y : e = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \gamma_y - \gamma_w \geq 0$$

$$X \rightarrow X : e = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, s_2 + \gamma_x - \gamma_x \geq 1$$

$$W \rightarrow W : e = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, s_1 + \gamma_w - \gamma_w \geq 1$$

$$X \rightarrow Y : e = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \gamma_y - \gamma_x \geq 0$$

$$Y \rightarrow Y : e = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, s_1 - s_2 + \gamma_y - \gamma_y \geq 5 + 2 + 1$$

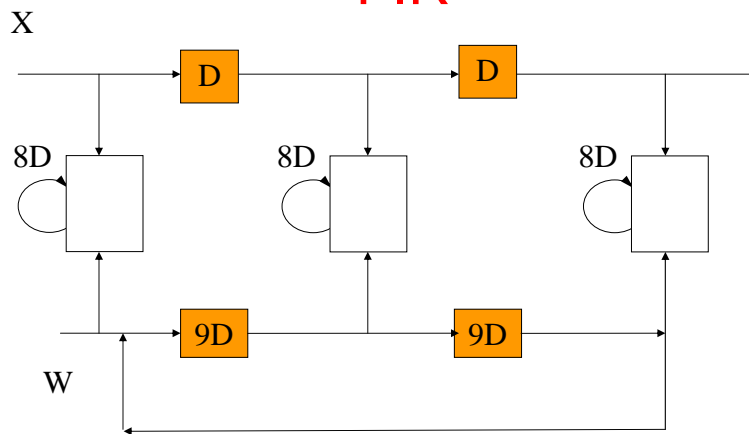


## FIR

- Solving the set of equation assuming all  $\gamma$ 's to be zero.
- A possible solution is  $s=[9 \ 1]$
- A possible selection for  $d=[1, -1]$  and  $p = [1 \ 1]$
- $s^T d=8, \text{HUE} = 1/8$

$e^T$	$P^T e$	$S^T e$
W(1,0)	1	9
X(0,1)	1	1
Y(1,-1)	0	8

## FIR



## Matrix Multiplication

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

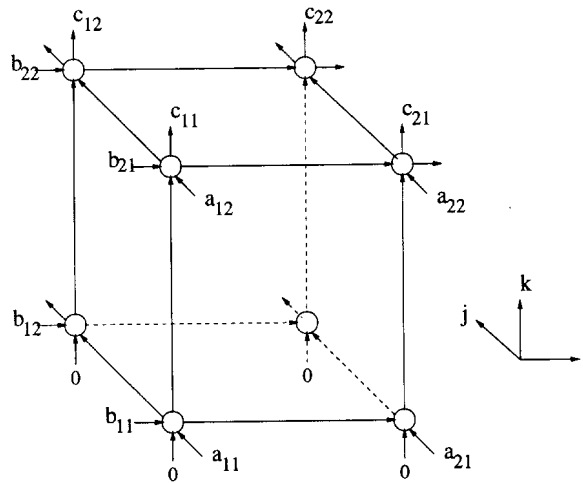
$$c_{11} = a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21}$$

$$c_{12} = a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22}$$

$$c_{21} = a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21}$$

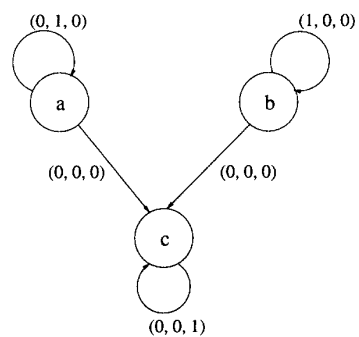
$$c_{22} = a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22}$$

## Matrix Multiplication



## Matrix Multiplication

$$\begin{aligned}
 a(i, j, k) &= a(i, j-1, k) \\
 b(i, j, k) &= b(i-1, j, k) \\
 c(i, j, k) &= c(i, j, k-1) + a(i, j, k)b(i, j, k).
 \end{aligned}$$



## Matrix Multiplication

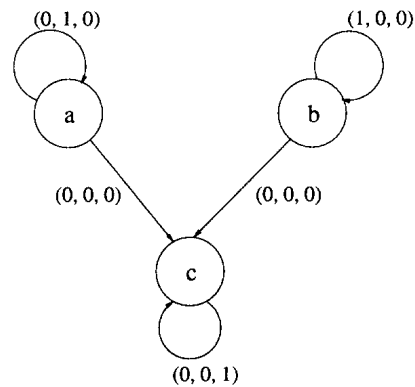
$$a \rightarrow a: \mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad s_2 \geq 0$$

$$b \rightarrow b: \mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad s_1 \geq 0$$

$$c \rightarrow c: \mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad s_3 \geq 1$$

$$a \rightarrow c: \mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_c - \gamma_a \geq 0$$

$$b \rightarrow c: \mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_c - \gamma_b \geq 0.$$



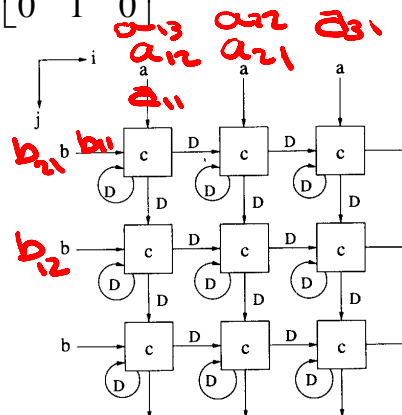
$$T_{\text{accu}} = 1 \quad T_{\text{com}} = 0$$

## Matrix Multiplication

$$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad S^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad d^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1. \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

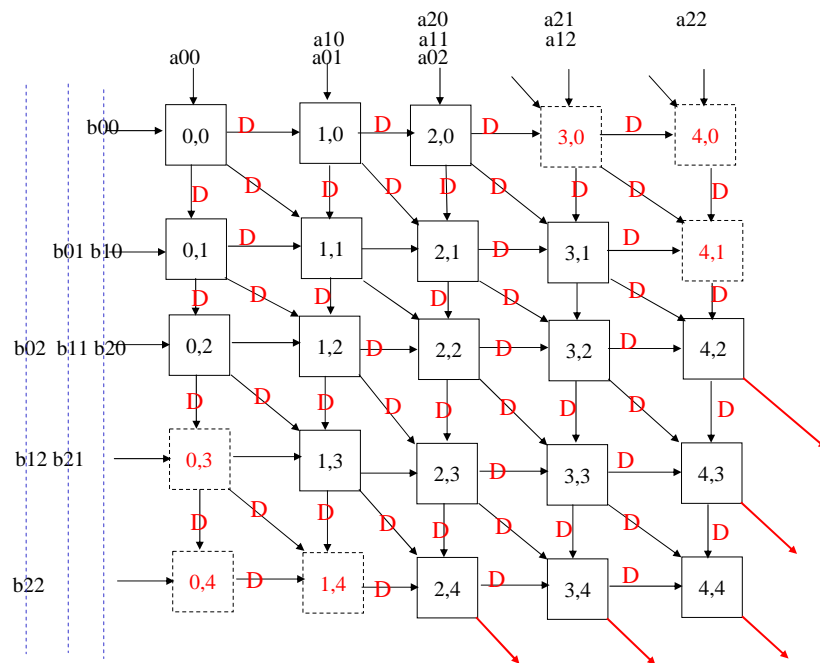
	Sol. 1		Sol. 2	
$\mathbf{e}$	$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{e}$	$\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{e}$	$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{e}$	$\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{e}$
$a(0, 1, 0)$	$(0, 1)$	1	$(0, 1)$	1
$b(1, 0, 0)$	$(1, 0)$	1	$(1, 0)$	1
$C(0, 0, 1)$	$(0, 0)$	1	$(1, 1)$	1



## Solution 2

HUE = 1

$$S^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad d^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Solution 3

$$S^T = (1 \quad 1 \quad 1), \quad d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

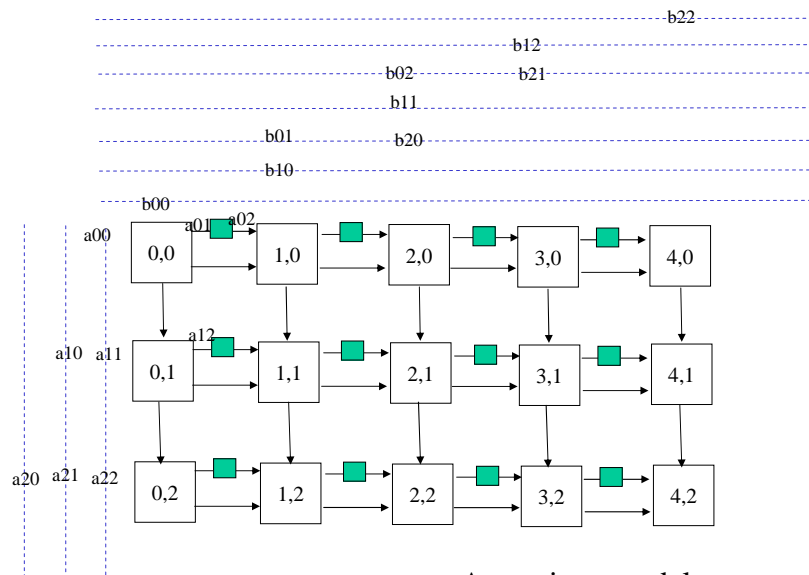
## Solution 4

$$S^T = (1 \quad 1 \quad 1), \quad d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Solution 5

$$S^T = (1 \quad 2 \quad 1), \quad d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Vector	$P^T e$	$s^T e$
$a(0,1,0)$	1,0	2
$b(1,0,0)$	0,1	1
$c(0,0,1)$	1,0	1



Assuming one delay  
element in every PE



## Solution 6

$$S^T = (1 \ 1 \ 1), \quad d = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Solution 7

$$S^T = (1 \ 2 \ 1), \quad d = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Solution 4

- Solution 3:

$$\mathbf{s}^T = (1, 1, 1), \quad \mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This solution leads to the *Schreier-Rao* 2D systolic array.

- Solution 4:

$$\mathbf{s}^T = (1, 1, 1), \quad \mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This solution leads to the *Kung-Leiserson* systolic array.