ET4171 Processor Design Project

LEON3 processor optimization



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Objectives

- Target: Embedded applications
 - $\hfill\Box$ Compound metric: P×BS
- Poor Mul/Div execution time
 - $\hfill\Box$ Implementation with different algorithms

Multiplier: Wallace Tree

Algorithm:

- 1. Initial ANDing between inputs.
- 2. Reduce tree using Full Adders and Half Adders.
- 3. Add the two remaining numbers with a traditional adder.

Pros and Cons

Pros

- Speed improvement.
- Regular structure.

Cons

- Resource usage is high.
- Signifcant Area footprint.
- Increase in power.

Implementation Details

- 3 Input Signals:RST, CLK and MULI
- 1 Output Signal:MULO
- 4 generics: infer, multype, pipe and mac

Constants used: WallaceTree (3D logic vector), stages, FA, HA, CIN

and RE.

Implementation Details II

For negative operation - Alternative Baugh Wooley Negate AND operations (when includes MSD from op1 or op2 but not both) Add a constant vector at the end.

Implementation Details III

Feed inputs to FOR-GENERATES (with IF-GENERATES) IF holdn is HIGH update Add the two final numbers with Baugh-Wooley vector (for signed operations) (ready and nready are not used). Update MULO.(result/ICC).

Divider: Which algorithm?

Repeated Multiplication Fast Area

Reciprocation Fast Area

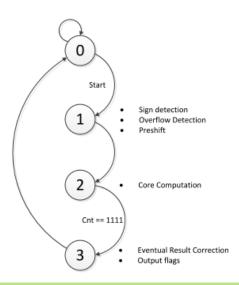
Array Divider No control on physical placing

Radix >8 Fast Area

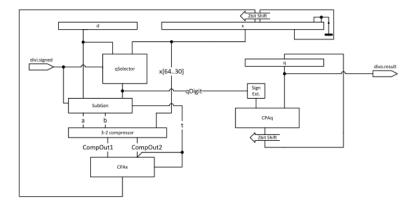
Radix-4 Good compromise

Execution time $\approx \frac{1}{2}$ of the baseline

Divider II



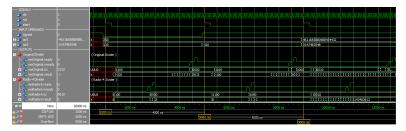
Divider III



Dvider IV

- Signed division (signed p-d plot) vs. Unsigned division (half p-d plot) + 1 cycle for sign
 - □ No area differences but 1 more cycle delay: signed Division

Divider V



Baseline vs. Radix-4: 19 cycles vs 36

Synthesis Results

	Baseline	Div	Div&Mul
Clock freq. [MHz])	80.522	80.535	40.197
Slices	9904	10479	11886
LUTs	16889	17865	20469
Quiescent power [W]	2.467	2.468	2.511
Dynamic power [W]	0.721	0.743	0.832
Total power [W]	3.188	3.211	3.343
P/f [W/MHz]	0.03959	0.03987	0.08317

Benchmarks Scores

	Baseline	Modified
Stanford [s]	2.30	2.21
Whetstone [s]	116.2	112.08
Gmpbench Multiply [Op/ s]	781	914
Gmpbench Divide [Op/ s]	15876	19205
Gmpbench RSA [Op/ s]	5123	5353
Division [s]	8.06	7.31
Mibench JPEG (average) [s]	23.215	21.76
SSD [s]	10.59	8.60
Total [s]	219.28	206.92

Conclusion - Comparison with Matrics (Div)

	Baseline	Modified	Improvements
Α	2.68	2.83	-5.8%
D	1.24	1.24	-
P	3.19	3.21	-0.7%
BS	2.19	2.13	2.7%
$A \times D$	3.33	3.52	-5.8%
$\mathtt{A}{\times}\mathtt{BS}$	5.88	6.05	-2.9%
$P{\times}D$	3.96	3.99	-0.7%
$\text{P}{\times}\text{BS}$	6.69	6.85	2.08%

Conclusion II - Comparison with Matrics (Div & Mul)

	Baseline	Modified	Improvements
A	2.68	3.24	-21%
D	1.24	2.49	-100%
P	3.19	3.34	-5.0%
BS	2.19	2.07	6%
$A \times D$	3.33	8.05	-142%
$\mathtt{A}{\times}\mathtt{BS}$	5.88	6.69	-14%
$P{\times}D$	3.96	8.32	-100%
$P{\times}BS$	6.69	6.92	1%

Further Improvements

- Cache size
 - □ More power consumption, need to determine actual miss rate
- Branch prediction
 - □ Now: Static prediction, only slight advantage, power consumption
- Out of Order Execution
 - □ Radical change of the integer unit, improved execution time