



Lab 4: Complex Mixer

Integrating a 3rd party library into an RCC Worker

Objectives

- Learn how [RCC] workers can:
 - Import a 3rd party library (liquid dsp) functionality into a worker
- Reiterate:
 - C++ conventions
 - Accessing port data and Properties
 - Framework interactions
 - RCC_ADVANCE vs. RCC_OK





Application Worker Development Flow

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- 1. Protocol (OPS): Create new or select pre-existing
- 2. Component (OCS): Create new or select pre-existing
- 3. Create new App Worker (Modify OWD, Makefile, and source RCC/HDL code)
- 4. Build the App Worker for target device(s)
- 5. Create Unit Test (<component>-test.xml, generate, verify and view scripts)
- 6. Build Unit Test
- 7. Run Unit Test

Overview

- The "Complex Mixer" component receives I/Q data and multiplies this signal by a tone that is generated using a Numerically Controlled Oscillator (NCO).
- This causes the input signal to be shifted in the Frequency Domain by the frequency of the NCO that is generated in the worker.
- The frequency of the NCO is controlled by the properties of this worker.

Step 1 – Protocol Selection

- Identify the OPS(s) declared by this component
 - Examine the "Component Ports" table in it's Component Datasheet
- Determine if OPS(s) exists
 - Current project's component library?
 /home/training/training_project/components/specs
 - Other project's components/specs/ directories within scope
 - Project Registry
 - ProjectDependencies in {my_project}/Project.mk
- If NO to all questions => Create new OPS

ANSWER: OPS XML file is available from framework (REUSE!)





Step 2 - Create Component

- Examine the Properties and Ports listed in the Component Datasheet
 - Use Properties/Ports information to answer the following questions
- Is the OCS XML file available in this project's component library?
 - HINT: Browse /home/training/training_project/components/specs/
- Is the OCS XML file available from the framework?
 - HINT: Browse IDE options
- If NO to all questions => custom OCS XML file must be created
- ANSWER: Custom OCS XML file must be created.





Step 2 - Create Component

- The component datasheet is located in
 - /home/training/provided/doc/Complex_Mixer.pdf
- Review the component's datasheet and familiarize yourself the properties and their functionality.
- Create a component called complex_mixer based on the datasheet's properties and ports
 - Note: data_select is a HDL only property, you can ignore this.
 - Note: iqstream_protocol.xml is located in Core Project





Step 3 - Create Worker

- Create new Asset Type: Worker
 - Worker Name: complex_mixer
 - Library: components
 - Component: complex_mixer-spec.xml
 - Model: RCC
 - Prog. Lang: C++
- In the OWD RCC Editor
 - Make sure to add initialize and release to the control operations





Step 3 - Create Worker (cont.)





• Add the following **four** lines the RCC worker Makefile *before* the line that reads: "include \$(OCPI_CDK_DIR)/include/worker.mk"

RccIncludeDirs+=/opt/opencpi/prerequisites/liquid/include/liquid

RccCustomLibs=-lliquid

RccCustomLibs_centos7=/opt/opencpi/prerequisites/liquid/linux-c7-x86_64/lib/libliquid.a

RccCustomLibs_xilinx13_3=/opt/opencpi/prerequisites/liquid/linux-x13_3arm/lib/libliquid.a

Step 3 - Write the Worker's Code

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- Copy complex mixer.cc
 - From: /home/training/provided/lab4/
 - To: /home/training_project/components/complex_mixer.rcc
- Update any "???" in the source with the correct code

Liquid DSP NCO API (for reference)

- From liquidsdr.org:
 - nco crcf create(type)
 - creates an nco object of type LIQUID_NCO or LIQUID_VCO.
 - nco crcf destroy(q)
 - destroys an nco object, freeing all internally-allocated memory.
 - nco crcf set frequency(q,f)
 - sets the frequency f (equal to the phase step size $\Delta\theta$).
 - nco crcf set phase(q,theta)
 - sets the internal nco phase to θ





Liquid DSP NCO API (for reference)

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- From liquidsdr.org:
 - nco crcf step(q)
 - increments the internal nco phase by its internal frequency, $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \Delta \theta$
 - nco crcf mix down(q,x,*y)
 - rotates an input sample x by $e^{-j\theta}$, storing the result in the output sample y
 - All samples are of type liquid_float_complex liquid_float_complex sample; sample.I = 0; sample.Q = 0;

Step 4 - Building the App Worker for x86 and ARM

- 1. Use the IDE to "Add" the App Worker to the Project Operations Panel
- **2. Highlight** "centos7" *and* "xilinx13_3" in RCC Platforms panel
- 3. Click "Build Assets"
- 4. Review the Console window messages
- 5. Fix any syntax errors and repeat





Step 5(a) – 7(a) CentOS7 - x86

- These slides cover employing the framework's Unit Test Suite to generate:
- OAS (OpenCPI Application Specification) XML file(s)Used by the framework for running the Worker on a given platform
 - Input test data file(s)
- **CRITICAL NOTE:** The IDE does not currently support creation of a unit test directory.

Step 5(a) - Create Unit Test

- Open **⇔CPI**

- ocpidev create test complex_mixer
- Copy generate.py, verify.py, and view.sh
 cp -a ~/provided/lab4/complex_mixer.test/* ~/training_project/components/complex_mixer.test/
- Update complex_mixer-test.xml

Step 6(a) - Build Unit Test (x86)

- Build the Unit Test Suite for the target software platform
 - 1. Use the IDE to "Add" the Unit Test to the Project Operations panel
 - 2. Highlight "centos7" in the RCC Platforms panel
 - 3. Click "Build Tests"
 - 4. Review the Console window messages and address any errors
- Observe new artifacts in complex_mixer.test/gen/
 - cases.txt "Human-readable" file which lists various test configurations.
 - cases.xml Used by framework to execute tests.
 - cases.xml.deps List of dependent files
 - applications/ OAS files and scripts used by framework to execute applications.





Step 7(a) - Run Unit Test (x86)

- Similar in IDE, but "Run Tests" button
- OR in a terminal window, browse to complex_mixer.test/ and execute

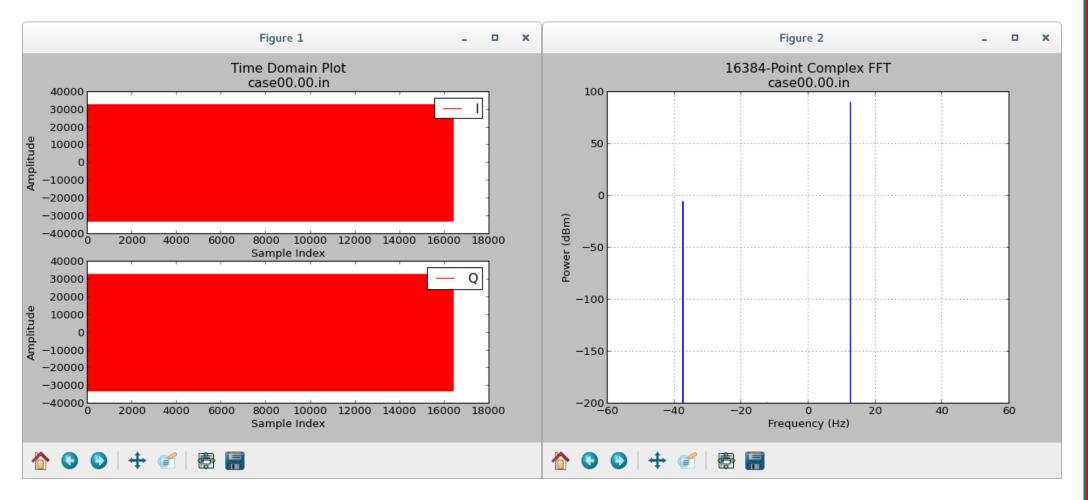
\$ make run View=1

- This uses the default centos?
- The test should run quickly. Upon completion you should see "**PASSED**" along with input and output plots (expected results in following slides)
- Fix any errors with your component to make sure the testbench passes

Expected input file plot



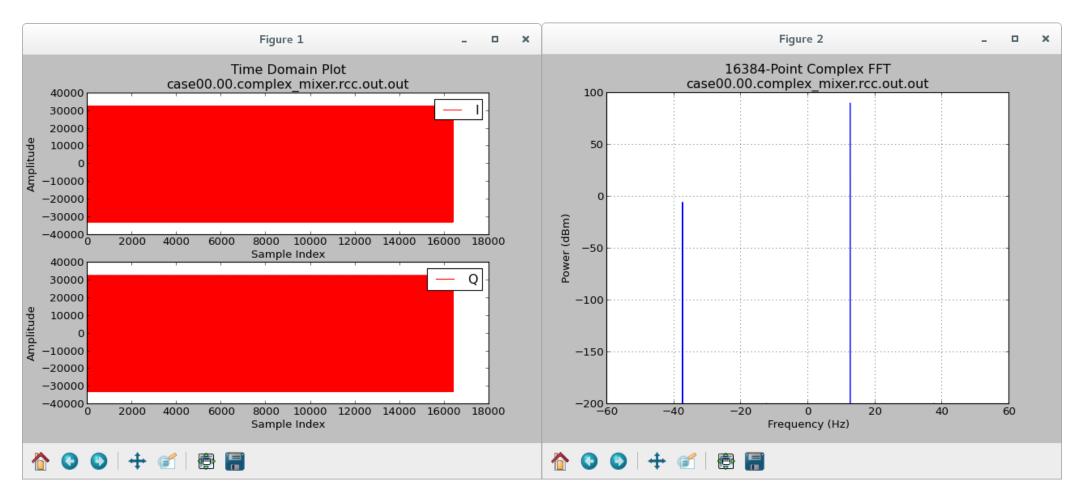




Expected output file plot case 0 (bypass)



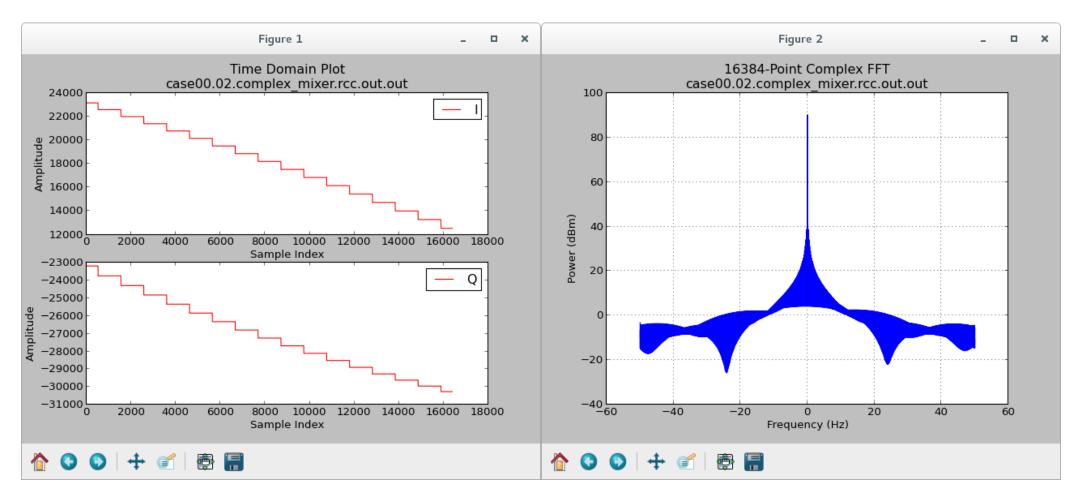




Expected output file plot case 1 (enabled)







Step 5(b) – 7(b) Xilinx13_3 - ARM

- These slides cover employing the framework's Unit Test Suite to generate:
 - OAS (OpenCPI Application Specification) XML file(s)
 - Used by the framework for running the Worker on a given platform
 - Input test data file(s)
 - Various scripts to manage the execution of the applications onto the target platform(s)
- CRITICAL NOTE: The IDE does not currently support creation of a unit test directory.

Step 5(b) - Create Unit Test

- Located in "complex_mixer.test/" directory
 - Same as used for CentOS7
 - REUSE!





Step 6(b) - Build Unit Test (ARM)

- Build the Unit Test Suite for the target software platform
 - 1. Use the IDE to "Add" the Unit Test to the Project Operations panel
 - **2. Highlight** "xilinx13_3" the RCC Platforms panel
 - 3. Click "Build Tests"
 - 4. Review the Console window messages and address any errors
- Observe possibly-updated artifacts in complex_mixer.test/gen/
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Step 7(b) - Run Unit Test (ARM)

- Open **;⇔CPI**

- Setup deployment platform
 - 1. Connect to serial port via USB on rear of Matchstiq-Z1 using host
 - screen /dev/ttyUSB0 115200
 - 2. Boot and login into Petalinux
 - User/Password = root:root
 - 3. Verify host and Matchstiq-Z1 have valid IP addresses
 - For training, they should both be on the same subnet
 - 4. Run setup script on Matchstiq-Z1
 - source /mnt/card/opencpi/mynetsetup.sh <host ip address>

More detail on this process can be found in the Matchstiq-Z1 Getting Started Guide document

Step 7(b) - Run Unit Test (ARM) (cont.)

- On the Development Host, set OCPI_REMOTE_TEST_SYSTEMS, as shown: \$ export OCPI_REMOTE_TEST_SYSTEMS={IP of Matchsitq-Z1}=root=root=/mnt/training_project
- If using the IDE, the above must be set before launching!
- On the Development Host, browse to the peak_detector.test/
- \$ make run OnlyPlatforms=xilinx13 3 View=1
 - This will run the unit test remotely (over ssh) on the Matchstiq-Z1's ARM
- Also try:
 - \$ make run {run on all available platforms, no plotting}
 - \$ make verify {verify previous results}
 - \$ make view {plot previous results}

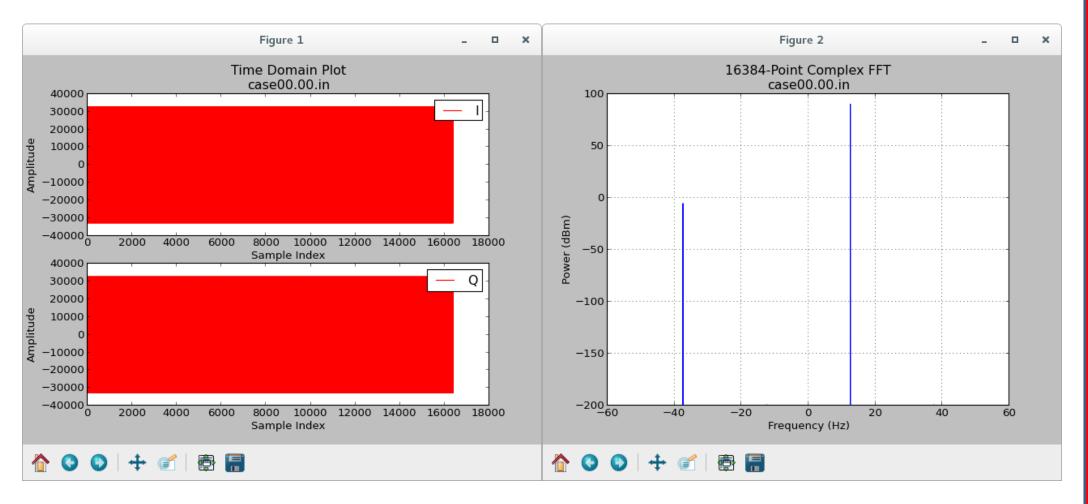




Expected input file plot



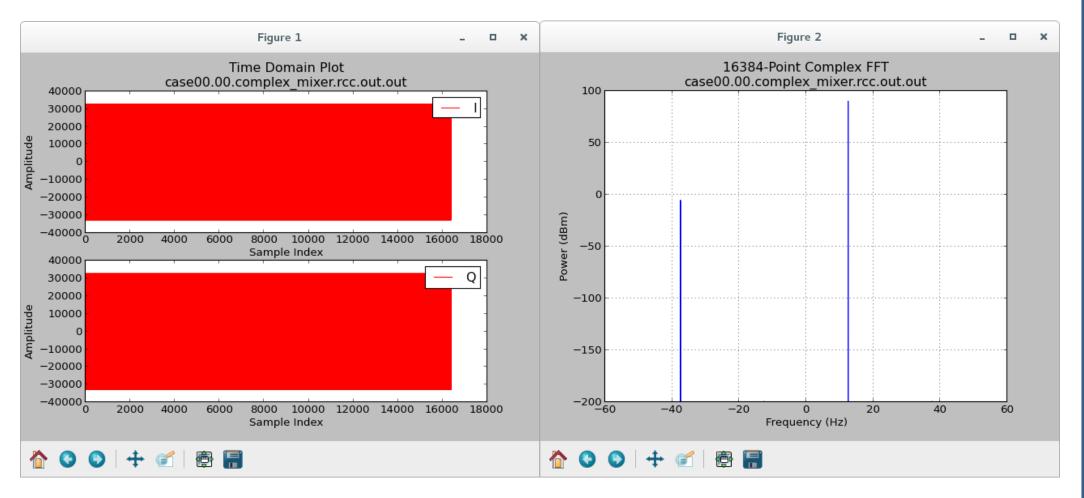




Expected output file plot case 0 (bypass)







Expected output file plot case 1 (enabled)





