
[SoC Design] SW Design for FFT (Lab1)

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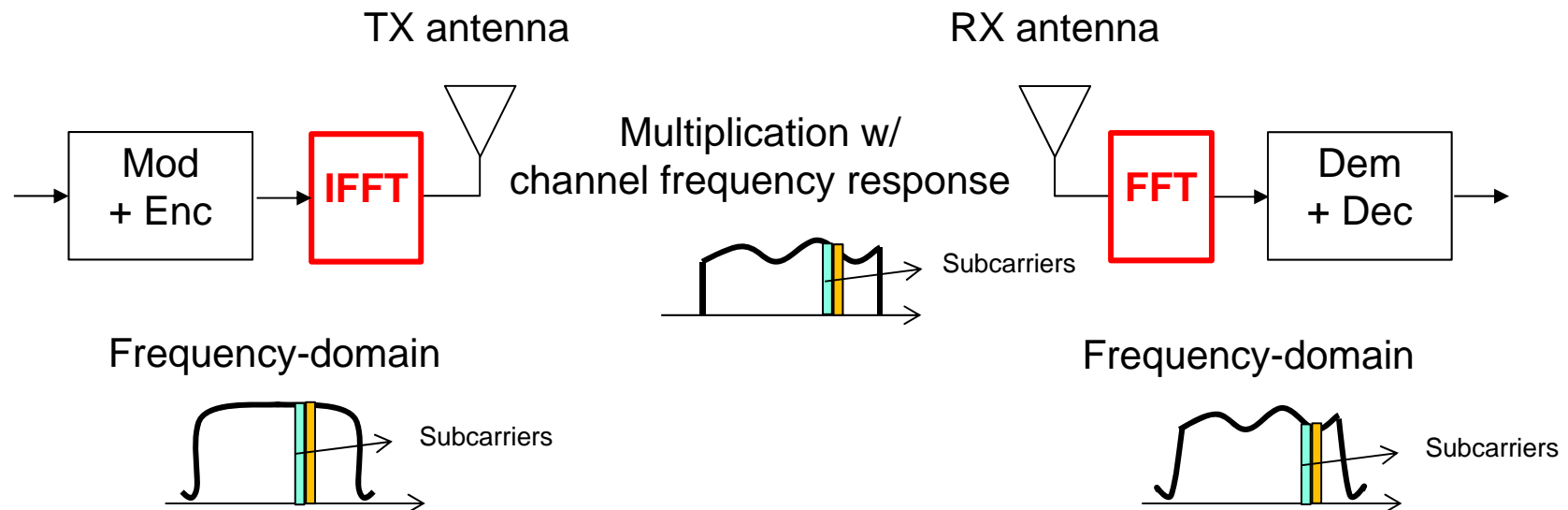
Objectives

- ❑ After completing this lab, you will be able to :
 - Program an application in either C or assembly
 - Run an application
 - Debug an application
 - Measure the execution time of an application
 - Optimize the performance of an application in either C or assembly

Introduction

❑ Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM)

- FFT processor as major enabler



* The basic principle was first conceived: M. L. Doez, E. T. Heald and D. L. Martin, "Binary data transmission techniques for linear systems", Proc. IRE, vol. 45, pp. 656-661, May 1957.

Introduction

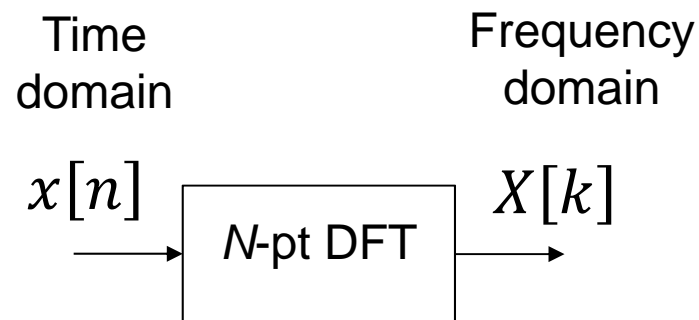
❑ Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM)

- WiFi (802.11a)
 - ✓ FFT/IFFT size: 64 samples
 - ✓ Sampling rate: 20 Msamples/sec
 - ✓ Processing time: $3.2 \text{ usec} = 64 \text{ samples} / 20 \text{ Msamples/sec}$
- LTE (Rel-8)
 - ✓ FFT/IFFT size: 128/256/512/1024/2048 samples*
 - ✓ Sampling rate: 1.92/3.84/7.68/15.36/30.72 Msamples/sec
 - ✓ Processing time: $66.6 \text{ usec} = 128 \text{ samples} / 1.92 \text{ Msamples/sec}$

* In the uplink, the FFT/IFFT of various sizes (multiplies of 2, 3 and 5) should be implement to support SC-FDMA (DFTS-OFDM) in addition to the FFT/IFFT that support OFDM.

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

□ Mathematical expression



$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] W_N^{nk}, k = 0, \dots, N - 1$$

$$W_N^{nk} := \exp\left(-j \frac{2\pi}{N} nk\right) \text{ (Twiddle factor)}$$

Converting a discrete-time signal ($x[n]$)
from time domain to frequency domain

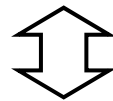
Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

□ Example: 8-pt DFT ($N = 8$)

- Mathematical expression

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^7 x[n] W_8^{nk}, k = 0, \dots, 7$$

$$W_8^{nk} := \exp(-j \frac{2\pi}{8} nk)$$



$$X[0] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^0 + x[2]W_8^0 + x[3]W_8^0 + x[4]W_8^0 + x[5]W_8^0 + x[6]W_8^0 + x[7]W_8^0$$

$$X[1] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^1 + x[2]W_8^2 + x[3]W_8^3 + x[4]W_8^4 + x[5]W_8^5 + x[6]W_8^6 + x[7]W_8^7$$

$$X[2] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^2 + x[2]W_8^4 + x[3]W_8^6 + x[4]W_8^8 + x[5]W_8^{10} + x[6]W_8^{12} + x[7]W_8^{14}$$

$$X[3] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^3 + x[2]W_8^6 + x[3]W_8^9 + x[4]W_8^{12} + x[5]W_8^{15} + x[6]W_8^{18} + x[7]W_8^{21}$$

$$X[4] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^4 + x[2]W_8^8 + x[3]W_8^{12} + x[4]W_8^{16} + x[5]W_8^{20} + x[6]W_8^{24} + x[7]W_8^{28}$$

$$X[5] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^5 + x[2]W_8^{10} + x[3]W_8^{15} + x[4]W_8^{20} + x[5]W_8^{25} + x[6]W_8^{30} + x[7]W_8^{35}$$

$$X[6] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^6 + x[2]W_8^{12} + x[3]W_8^{18} + x[4]W_8^{24} + x[5]W_8^{30} + x[6]W_8^{36} + x[7]W_8^{42}$$

$$X[7] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^7 + x[2]W_8^{14} + x[3]W_8^{21} + x[4]W_8^{28} + x[5]W_8^{35} + x[6]W_8^{42} + x[7]W_8^{49}$$

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

□ Computational complexity

- Totally N^2 multiplications plus $N(N - 1)$ additions
 - ✓ No reuse of intermediate calculations assumed
 - ✓ No use of twiddle factor properties assumed
 - ✓ Multiplication with unity included

	Multiplications	Additions
4	16	12
8	64	56
16	256	240
64	1024	992
N	N^2	$N(N - 1)$

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

□ Computational complexity (cont'd)

- E.g., 8-pt DFT ($N = 8$): 64 multiplications plus 56 additions

$$X[0] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^0 + x[2]W_8^0 + x[3]W_8^0 + x[4]W_8^0 + x[5]W_8^0 + x[6]W_8^0 + x[7]W_8^0$$

$$X[1] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^1 + x[2]W_8^2 + x[3]W_8^3 + x[4]W_8^4 + x[5]W_8^5 + x[6]W_8^6 + x[7]W_8^7$$

$$X[2] = x[0]W_8^0 + x[1]W_8^2 + x[2]W_8^4 + x[3]W_8^6 + x[4]W_8^8 + x[5]W_8^{10} + x[6]W_8^{12} + x[7]W_8^{14}$$

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Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

❑ FFT is nothing but an efficient algorithm of calculating DFT.

- DFT & FFT generate exactly the same results

❑ FFT reduces the computational complexity of DFT by using the properties of twiddle factor

- Complex conjugate symmetry

$$W_N^{(N-n)k} = W_N^{-nk} = (W_N^{nk})^*$$

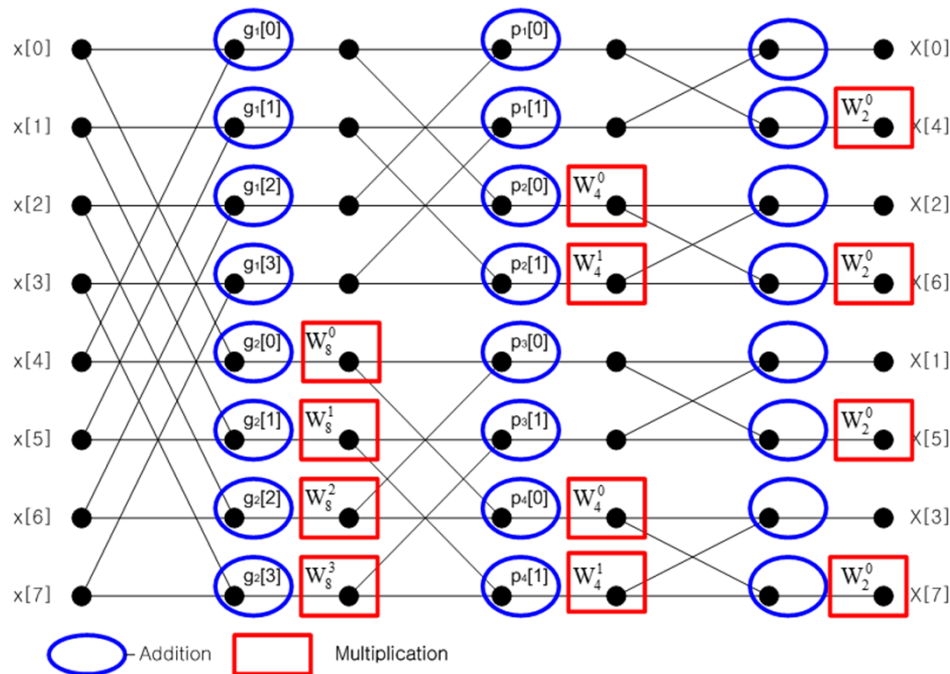
- Periodicity

$$W_N^{nk} = W_N^{(n+N)k} = W_N^{n(k+N)}$$

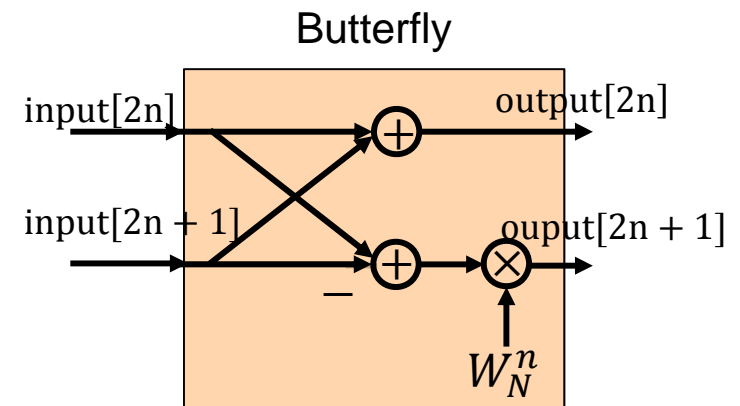
Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

Radix-2 decimation-in-frequency (DIF)

- Example: 8-pt DFT ($N = 8$)



12 multiplications & 24 additions



Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

□ Computational complexity

	DFT		FFT	
	Multiplication	Addition	Multiplication	Addition
4	16	12	4	8
8	64	56	12	24
16	256	240	32	64
64	4096	4032	192	384
N	N^2	$N(N - 1)$	$(N/2) \log_2 N$	$N \log_2 N$

Complexity reduction by $\sim \frac{\log_2 N}{2N}$

Lab 1: SW Design

□ Design flow

Vivado

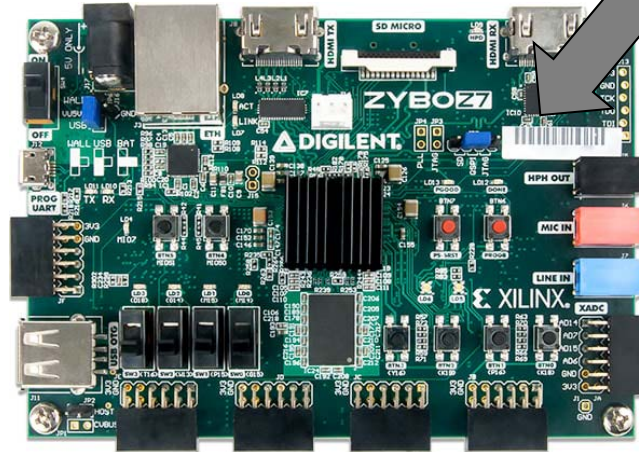


Used in this Lab

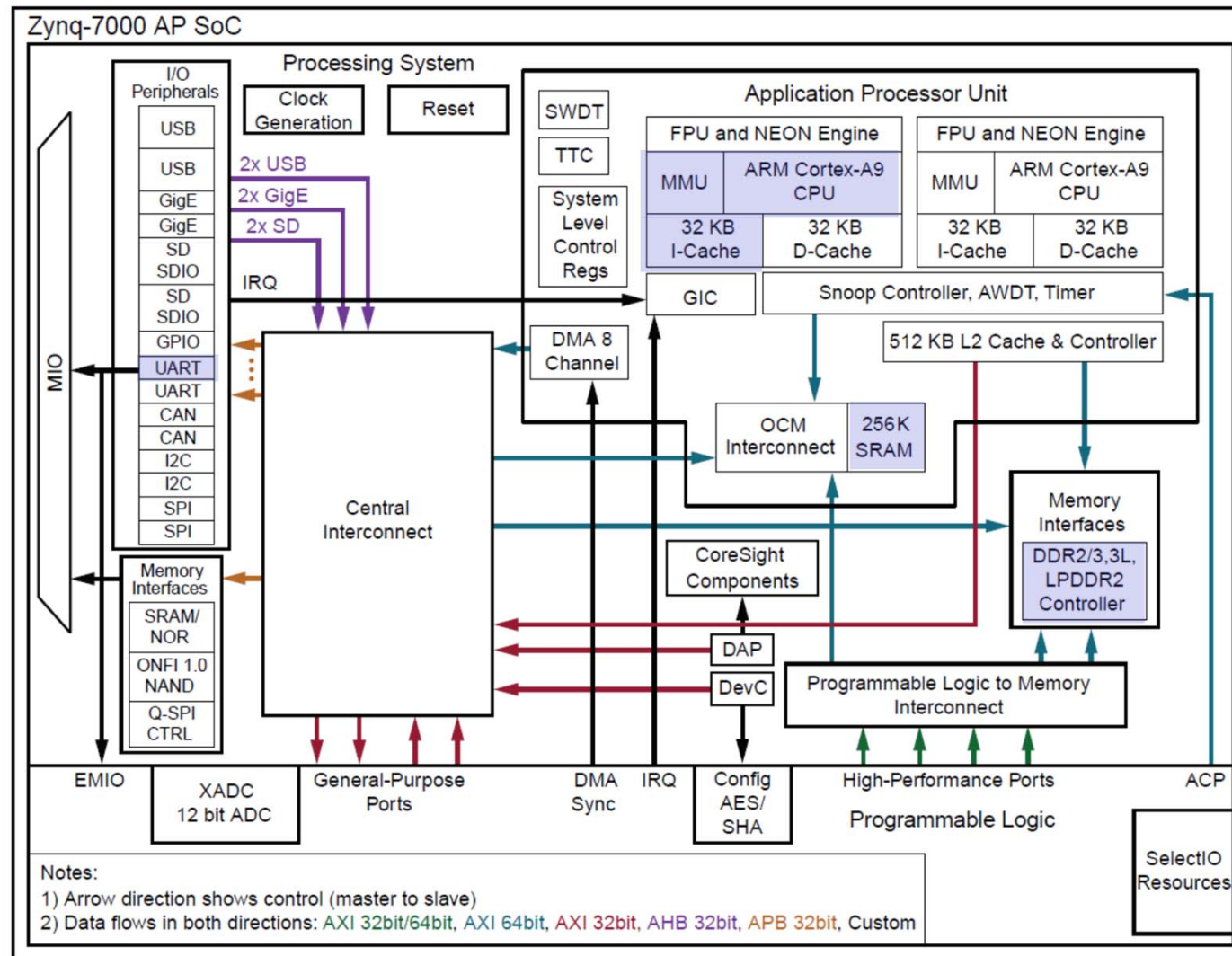
SDK



ZYNQ/Zybo



Block Diagram



Source Codes

❏ main

- ① Calls FFT_Assembly
- ② Compares the output of FFT with that of DFT

①

②

```
int main() {
    XTime start, stop;
    int i = 0;

    float error_total, error_real, error_imag;
    float sig_total;
    float SNR;

    XTime_GetTime((XTime*)&start);
    DFT();
    XTime_GetTime((XTime*)&stop);
    printf("DFT          %8.3f us\n", ((float)stop - (float)start)/COUNTS_PER_SECOND*1000000);

    XTime_GetTime((XTime*)&start);
    FFT();
    XTime_GetTime((XTime*)&stop);
    printf("FFT          %8.3f us\n", ((float)stop - (float)start)/COUNTS_PER_SECOND*1000000);

    XTime_GetTime((XTime*)&start);
    FFT_Assembly();
    XTime_GetTime((XTime*)&stop);
    printf("FFT Assembly %8.3f us\n", ((float)stop - (float)start)/COUNTS_PER_SECOND*1000000);

    error_total = 0;
    sig_total = 0;
    for(i = 0; i < N; i++){
        error_real = (X_DFT[i].re) - (X_FFT[i].re);
        error_imag = (X_DFT[i].im) - (X_FFT[i].im);

        error_total += error_real*error_real + error_imag*error_imag;

        sig_total += (X_DFT[i].re)*(X_DFT[i].re) + (X_DFT[i].im)*(X_DFT[i].im);
    }
    SNR = 10*log10(sig_total/error_total);
    xil_printf("FFT model SNR : %d dB\n", (int)SNR);

    error_total = 0;
    sig_total = 0;
    for(i = 0; i < N; i++){
        error_real = (X_DFT[i].re) - (X_FFT_Assembly[i].re);
        error_imag = (X_DFT[i].im) - (X_FFT_Assembly[i].im);

        error_total += error_real*error_real + error_imag*error_imag;

        sig_total += (X_DFT[i].re)*(X_DFT[i].re) + (X_DFT[i].im)*(X_DFT[i].im);
    }
    SNR = 10*log10(sig_total/error_total);
    xil_printf("FFT Assembly model SNR : %d dB\n", (int)SNR);

    return 0;
}
```


Source Codes

❑ DFT

- ① Takes the input (from header)
- ② Performs DFT
- ③ Generates the output

```
void DFT()
{
    int n = 0, i = 0, k = 0;

    complex input[N];
    complex temp_mult[N];

    int out_re[N] = {0,};
    int out_im[N] = {0,};

    for (n=0; n<N; n++) ①
    {
        input[n].re=in_real[n];
        input[n].im=in_imag[n];
    }

    for (i=0; i<N; i++) ②
    {
        X_DFT[i] = add_cal(init1_int,init2_int);
        for (k=0; k<N; k++)
        {
            temp_mult[k] = multiple(input[k],W[(k*i)%64]);
            X_DFT[i] = add_cal(temp_mult[k],X_DFT[i]);
        }
    }

    for (n=0; n<N; n++) ③
    {
        out_re[n] = X_DFT[n].re;
        out_im[n] = X_DFT[n].im;
    }
}
```

Source Codes

❑ FFT

- ① Butterfly: Stage 1 ~ Stage 5
- ② Butterfly: Stage 6 (incomplete)
- ③ Reordering

```
#ifndef STAGE6_H_
#define STAGE6_H_

void Stage6(complex *output, complex *input)
{
    int n;

    //////////////////////////////////////
    //
    //      Fill Your Code Here.
    //
    //
    //////////////////////////////////////
}

#endif /* STAGE6_H_ */
```

```
void FFT()
{
    complex input[N], temp[N];

    int out_re[N];
    int out_im[N];

    int data;
    int n, k;

    for (data=0; data<N; data++)
    {
        input[data].re=in_real[data];
        input[data].im=in_imag[data];
    }

    for (n=0; n<32; n++) //stage1
    {
        temp[n]=add_cal(input[n], input[n+32]);
        temp[n+32]=multiple(sub_cal(input[n], input[n+32]), W[n]);
    }

    for (n=0; n<16; n++) //stage2
    {
        for (k=0; k<2; k++)
        {
            input[n+(32*k)]=add_cal(temp[n+(32*k)], temp[n+((32*k)+16)]);
            input[n+((32*k)+16)]=multiple(sub_cal(temp[n+(32*k)], temp[n+((32*k)+16)]), W[2*n]);
        }
    }

    for (n=0; n<8; n++) //stage-3
    {
        for (k=0; k<4; k++)
        {
            temp[n+(16*k)] = add_cal(input[n+(16*k)], input[n+((16*k)+8)]);
            temp[n+((16*k)+8)] = multiple(sub_cal(input[n+(16*k)], input[n+((16*k)+8)]), W[4*n]);
        }
    }

    for (n=0; n<4; n++) //stage4
    {
        for (k=0; k<8; k++)
        {
            input[n+(8*k)] = add_cal(temp[n+(8*k)], temp[n+((8*k)+4)]);
            input[n+((8*k)+4)] = multiple(sub_cal(temp[n+(8*k)], temp[n+((8*k)+4)]), W[8*n]);
        }
    }

    for (n=0; n<2; n++) //stage5
    {
        for (k=0; k<16; k++)
        {
            temp[n+(4*k)]=add_cal(input[n+(4*k)], input[n+(4*k+2)]);
            temp[n+(4*k+2)]=multiple(sub_cal(input[n+(4*k)], input[n+(4*k+2)]), W[16*n]);
        }
    }

    // Stage 6
    Stage6(input, temp);

    for (n=0; n<N; n++)
    {
        X_FFT[n]=input[Re_ordering(n)];
    }

    for (n=0; n<N; n++)
    {
        out_im[n]=(X_FFT[n].im)>>10;
        out_re[n]=(X_FFT[n].re)>>10;
    }
}
```

Source Codes

❑ FFT_Assembly

- ① Butterfly: Stage 1 ~ Stage 5
- ② Butterfly: Stage 6 (incomplete)
- ③ Reordering

```
.text
.syntax unified

.align 4
.global Stage6_Assembly
.arm

Stage6_Assembly:
    //////////////////////////////////////
    //
    //
    //      Fill Your Code Here.
    //
    //////////////////////////////////////
```

```
void FFT_Assembly()
{
    complex input[N], temp[N];

    int out_re[N];
    int out_im[N];

    int data;
    int n, k;

    for (data=0; data<N; data++)
    {
        input[data].re=in_real[data];
        input[data].im=in_imag[data];
    }

    for (n=0; n<32; n++) //stage1
    {
        temp[n]=add_cal(input[n], input[n+32]);
        temp[n+32]=multiple(sub_cal(input[n], input[n+32]), W[n]);
    }

    for (n=0; n<16; n++) //stage2
    {
        for (k=0; k<2; k++)
        {
            input[n+(32*k)]=add_cal(temp[n+(32*k)], temp[n+((32*k)+16)]);
            input[n+((32*k)+16)]=multiple(sub_cal(temp[n+(32*k)], temp[n+((32*k)+16)]), W[2*n]);
        }
    }

    for (n=0; n<8; n++) //stage-3
    {
        for (k=0; k<4; k++)
        {
            temp[n+(16*k)] = add_cal(input[n+(16*k)], input[n+((16*k)+8)]);
            temp[n+((16*k)+8)] = multiple(sub_cal(input[n+(16*k)], input[n+((16*k)+8)]), W[4*n]);
        }
    }

    for (n=0; n<4; n++) //stage4
    {
        for (k=0; k<8; k++)
        {
            input[n+(8*k)] = add_cal(temp[n+(8*k)], temp[n+((8*k)+4)]);
            input[n+((8*k)+4)] = multiple(sub_cal(temp[n+(8*k)], temp[n+((8*k)+4)]), W[8*n]);
        }
    }

    for (n=0; n<2; n++) //stage5
    {
        for (k=0; k<16; k++)
        {
            temp[n+(4*k)]=add_cal(input[n+(4*k)], input[n+(4*k+2)]);
            temp[n+(4*k+2)]=multiple(sub_cal(input[n+(4*k)], input[n+(4*k+2)]), W[16*n]);
        }
    }

    // Stage 6
    Stage6_Assembly(input, temp);

    for (n=0; n<N; n++)
    {
        X_FFT_Assembly[n]=input[Re_ordering(n)];
    }

    for (n=0; n<N; n++)
    {
        out_im[n]=(X_FFT_Assembly[n].im)>>10;
        out_re[n]=(X_FFT_Assembly[n].re)>>10;
    }
}
```

Source Codes

□ Stage6_Assembly.s

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <xtime_1.h>
#include <xil_cache.h>
#include <math.h>
#include "FFT_Header.h"
#include "Stage6.h"

#define N 64

complex X_DFT[N];
complex X_FFT[N];
complex X_FFT_Assembly[N];

int time;

//Function
extern void Stage6_Assembly(complex *output, complex *input);
extern void Stage6(complex *output, complex *input);

int Re_ordering(int x) {
    return 32 * (x % 2) + 16 * ((x % 4) / 2) + 8 * ((x % 8) / 4)
        + 4 * ((x % 16) / 8) + 2 * ((x % 32) / 16) + x / 32;
}
```

Register usage:

- r0: output
- r1: input

```
.text
.syntax unified

.align 4
.global Stage6_Assembly
.arm

Stage6_Assembly:
    push {r4, r5, r6, r7, r8, r9, r10, r11, lr}
    sub sp, sp, #20
    mov r9, r0
    mov r10, r1
    mov r4, #0
    add r7, r1, #8
    add r5, sp, #8
    add r6, r4, r10
    add r8, r7, r4
    ldr r3, [r8, #4]
    str r3, [sp]
    ldr r3, [r7, r4]
    mov r0, r5
    ldm r6, {r1, r2}
    bl add_cal_assembly
    add r3, r4, r9
    ldm r5, {r0, r1}
```

Source Codes

□ Stage6_Assembly.s

The screenshot displays a debugger interface with four main panels:

- Source Code:** Shows the C code for `Stage6_Assembly` in `main.c`. The function `Stage6_Assembly(input, temp)` is highlighted, showing two loops that process `X_FFT_Assembly` and `input`.
- Variable Watch:** Two instances of this window are shown. The top one shows `input` (complex [64]) and `temp` (complex [64]) with values at addresses `0x11c6d4` and `0x11c4d4` respectively. The bottom one shows similar information for a different state.
- Assembly View:** Displays the assembly code for `Stage6_Assembly`. The first instruction is `push {r4,r5,r6,r7,r8,r9,r10,r11,lr}` at address `001005f0`. Other instructions include `sub sp, sp, #20`, `mov r9, r0`, `mov r10, r1`, `mov r4, #0`, `add r7, r1, #8`, and `add r5, sp, #8`.
- Register Window:** Shows the state of registers `r0` through `r3`. `r0` and `r1` are highlighted in yellow, corresponding to the `input` and `temp` variables. Their hexadecimal values are `0011c6d4` and `0011c4d4` respectively.

Register usage:

- r0: output
- r1: input

Optimization Levels

❑ Compiler optimization levels (ARM gcc)

- **-O0:** No optimization is performed.
- -O1: Enables the most common forms of optimization that do not require decisions regarding size or speed.
- -O2: Enables further optimizations, such as instruction scheduling.
- **-O3:** Enables more aggressive optimizations, such as aggressive function inlining, and it typically increases speed at the expense of image size. Moreover, this option enables -ftree-vectorize, causing the compiler to attempt to automatically generate NEON code.
- -Os: Selects optimizations that attempt to minimize the size of the image, even at the expense of speed.