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Elimination Algorithm for Voltage Source Inverters Designed Using State
of The Art Free and Open Source Software**

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1 Introduction

This paper presents the design of multiple FPGA units, which are designed to suit near real-time constraints of controlling the electric drives or for Hardware In Loop systems.

The goal of this paper also was to investigate how to design the speed optimized units using open source toolchain. The final designed unit is capable of solving the Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE) algorithm. Many researches opt for proprietary design software, which very often offers premade Intellectual Property (IP) blocks, which can be used to design the specified circuit. However in this paper the design was created, tested and analyzed solely using the State of The Art Open Source software without any IP catalogs. This platformless solution ensures, that the designed units may possibly be synthesized for various FPGA chips without any major barriers.

The structure of the paper is as follows: Section 3 presents a unit for division of two arbitrary values by utilizing the Newton-Raphson (NR) algorithm. Section 4 presents design of the Coordinate Rotation Digital Computer (SHE) optimized for speed, rather than lesser complexity. Section 5 introduces design which solves two non-linear equations with a Newton-Raphson (NR) algorithm, presenting suitability of FPGA designs for iterative algorithms. Section 6 presents unit for solving the Selective Harmonic Elimination problem using previously developed modules.

2 Notes on all of the circuit designs in Verilog

All of the designs presented in this paper are created using pure Verilog code and tested through Free and Open-Source Software (FOSS). The decision to opt for FOSS was deliberate, aiming to prevent any vendor-locking to specific hardware or predefined IPs. Predefined IPs are often optimized by a specific hardware vendor and intended for use with that vendor's hardware. However, the hardware may not always be available or suitable for a specific application. Academics and numerous companies opt for open-source and open-hardware approaches to prevent vendor lock-in. Once the design and algorithm are thoroughly understood, they can be initially implemented without any specific platform in mind. Later, when selecting the device vendor, the design can be modified to suit the specific hardware requirements.

That is why Verilog, with Cocotb [1] (Test Bench creation tool) and Verilator [2] (simulator) have been used for designing the circuits presented in this paper.

3 Calculating the division of fixed point numbers

Typically, when employing numerical methods to solve transcendental equations, the calculation of the division of two input numbers becomes necessary. This requirement persists even when applying the Newton-Raphson (NR) method to solve a set of two equations, because computing the reciprocal value of the Jacobian determinant.

There are some IP blocks available, which are capable of calculating the division of two numbers, but the blocks are usually either vendor specific intellectual property IP [3] or feature low performance [4].

The drawback of vendor-specific IPs lies in their limited compatibility, often preventing their use with FPGA chips from different vendors. On the other hand the vendor specific IPs are usually optimized and able to use the specific type of resources available at the vendor's chip which resolve in better performance.

To preserve the compatibility of the design with chips from multiple vendors, the custom solution for division design based on the very known Newton Raphson (NR) algorithm was developed. [4]

3.1 Newton Rapshon algorithm for calculating the division

General Newton Raphson (NR) algorithm is a well known approach to numerically solve equations. It is the reason why it is utilized in many algorithms. However, the negative aspect of NR is that it's convergency strongly depends on initial values of variables. When the initial values are chosen poorly, the performed number of iterations before the convergency is reached can be high.

To reach the fastest convergency possible (determined in number of iterations) apart from the scaling the dominator into the interval [0.5,1] the initial value calculation formula should be utilized. [4]

The Equation 3 - 1 for calculating the initial value is applied after the scaling of denominator is performed. The algorithm developed for the appropriate scaling is explained in the *Calculating number of bits to shift the denominator*.

$$x_0 = \frac{48}{17} - \frac{32}{17}D, \quad (3 - 1)$$

where the x_0 is the initial value for NR algorithm, D is the denominator value for calculating the expression N/D .

Because in the module design implemented via Verilog the fixed point number format $Q32.15$ is used, the fractional numbers from Equation 3 - 1 are rounded to

2.8229 (32'sb000000000000000010_110100101011000 in binary)

and 1.8819 (32'sb00000000000000001_111000011100101 in binary) respectively.

After the initial value x_0 is calculated, the NR algorithm is performed. The idea of using NR algorithm to calculate the division of N/D is to trade the division for a multiplication which can be synthetized in the FPGA fabric. When employing the NR algorithm for finding the values of N/D the function with root is $1/D$ is essential. After the root of the function is found, it is then multiplied by the numerator value, and the solution N/D is obtained. There may be many functions, which root is the searched value $1/D$ but the most trivial is Equation 3 - 2.

$$F(x_i) = \frac{1}{x_i} - D. \quad (3 - 2)$$

For the derivative at the point of x_i then applies Equation 3 - 3.

$$\frac{dF(x_i)}{dx} = F'(x_i) = \frac{F(x_{i+1}) - F(x_i)}{x_{i+1} - x_i}. \quad (3 - 3)$$

Because finding root of the equation 3 - 2, the value of $F(x_{i+1})$ is set to be zero. After separating the x_{i+1} value of the eq. 3 - 3 and derivating the function $F(x_i)$ the obtained algorithm for a value x_{i+1} is obtained from eq. 3 - 4.

$$x_{i+1} = -\frac{F(x_i)}{F'(x_i)} + x_i = -\frac{F(x_i)}{-\frac{1}{x_i^2}} + x_i = (\frac{1}{x_i} - D)x_i^2 + x_i = x_i - Dx_i^2 + x_i = 2x_i - Dx_i^2. \quad (3 - 4)$$

Usually, the iterative algorithm is stopped, when the value $F(x_{i+1}) - F(x_i)$ (called defect) reaches certain value set by the stop condition. However, in this algorithm, the stop condition is not yet implemented. Based on the observation carried on the N-R algorithm the obtained result is sufficient after 5 iterations.

The mathematically expressed algorithm is then transformed into programmable algorithm suitable for FPGA implementation. The top module design for this algorithm is presented in the section *Top module design*, the control and data unit for calculating the value x_{i+1} is presented in the *Allocation and Timing*

3.2 IP Block Design

The design of this unit is consists of 4 main modules:

- the **data unit module**, used for manipulating data and making calculation operations,
- the **control unit module**, used for controlling the **data unit module** and **scaling unit module**,
- **scaling unit module**, used for calculating the number of bits needed for shifting the denominator value to the interval $[0.5, 1]$.

3.2.1 Top module design

The top module wraps all of the presented modules (**data unit module**, **control unit module**, **scaling unit module**). The basic structure of connected modules of this top design is depicted in the Figure 3 - 1. Thanks to this wrapper it is possible to test the created modules with Verilog Testbench, Verilator [2] or Cocotb [1].



Figure 3 - 1 Top module design for the division unit module block design.

3.2.2 Allocation and Timing

The diagram of the data flow and timing of the algorithm is displayed in the Figure 3 - 2.

The whole algorithm comprises nine steps. The initial four steps are used for calculating the initial value of x_0 as presented in the Equation 3 - 1. The steps $S4$ to $S8$ are for calculating the next search value of x_{i+1} , thus the root of the Equation 3 - 2 which in fact is the searched value of $1/D$. The following iteration begins at the step labeled as $S5$. The iterative process continues until a predefined stop condition is satisfied, such as reaching a specified number of iterations.

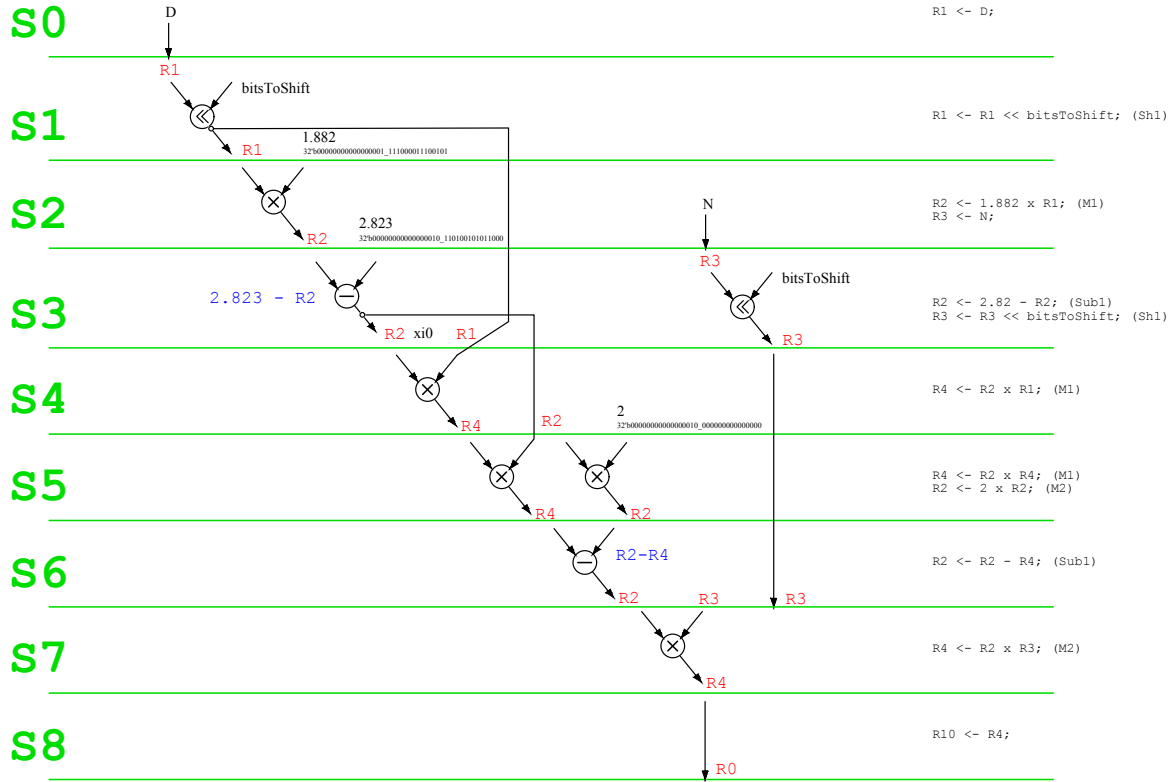


Figure 3 - 2 Allocation and timing diagram for the Data Path Unit part of the division module.

3.2.3 Data Path Module

The structure of the Data Path Module is depicted in the Figure 3 - 3. The module was specifically designed to serve the needs of the division algorithm. It comprises five registers labeled $R0$ through $R4$, two multipliers $M1$, $M2$ and one bit shifter.

The module is controlled by the control unit using the control signal labeled as CS . The encoding table with the labels corresponding to the Data Path Unit module is presented in the section *Control Unit*.

The result of each iteration from the division algorithm is passed to a register $R0$.

The Data Path Module unit also covers the possibility of using negative denominator and numerator. Because the values are stored in a custom $Q32.15$ fixed point format (whole number comprises of 32 bits, 15 bits fractional part, 17 bits integer part), the algorithm checks if the D or N values are higher than $0h8000$ and determine it's actual sign and the sets sign of the result. If the analyzed number is determined negative, it is transformed to value positive and then used in the presented division algorithm. This transformation is needed because of the algorithm calculating the bits to shift the denominator in the interval.

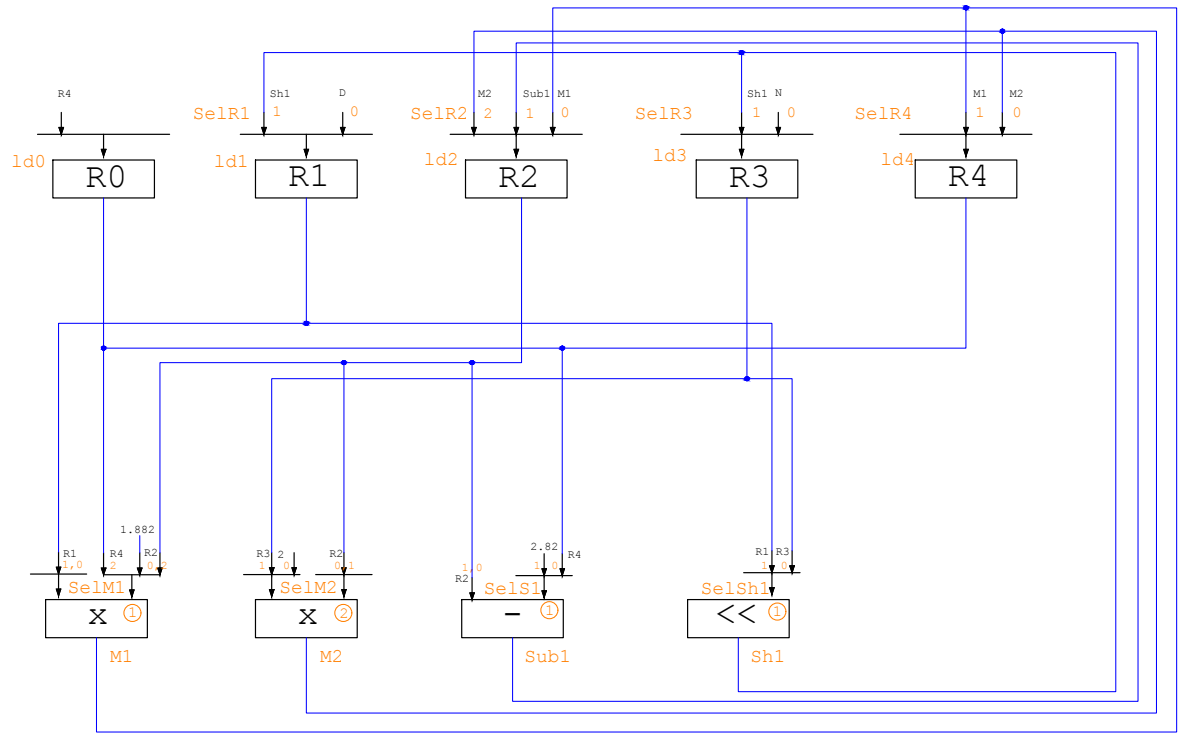


Figure 3 - 3 Register Transfer Level (RTL) scheme of the Data Path Unit part of the division module.

3.2.4 Control Unit

Signals from Control Unit to Data Path Module are encoded in the CS signal. Table 3 - 1 displays the CS signal along with the corresponding instructions for steps $S0$ – $S8$ of the FSM. To enhance code clarity the signal is passed to the Control Unit in the hexadecimal format.

The number of the iteration of the Finite State Machine (FSM) is also set in the Control Unit. This iteration number is subsequently used in the module to check for the stop condition of the calculation loop.

As stated in the *Allocation and Timing* section, after the step $S8$, the FSM restarts at the state $S4$ with new x_i values as inputs. This state change is not depicted in the Table 3 - 1 for CS signal.

Table 3 - 1 Control signal encoding table for instructions to be processed by the Division Module.

State	RTL Code	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	CS
		ld0	ld1	ld2	ld3	ld4	SelR1	SelR2[1]	SelR2[0]	SelR3	SelR4	SelSh1	SelM1[1]	SelM1[0]	SelM2	SelS1	
S0	$R1 \leftarrow D;$	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000h
S1	$R1 \leftarrow R1 \ll 32; (Sh1)$	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	15'h2210
S2	$R2 \leftarrow 1.882 \times R1; (M1)$ $R3 \leftarrow N;$	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	15'h1804
S3	$R2 \leftarrow 2.82 - R2; (Sub1)$ $R3 \leftarrow R3 \ll 32; (Sh1)$	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	15'h18C0
S4	$R4 \leftarrow R2 \times R1; (M1)$	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	420h
S5	$R4 \leftarrow R2 \times R4; (M1)$ $R2 \leftarrow 2 \times R2; (M2)$	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	15'h1528
S6	$R2 \leftarrow R2 - R4; (S1)$	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	15'h1081
S7	$R4 \leftarrow R2 \times R3; (M2)$	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	15'h402
S8	$R0 \leftarrow R4;$	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4000h

3.3 Calculating number of bits to shift the denominator

As presented in the section *Newton Rapshon algorithm for calculating the division* the denominator must be appropriately scaled for the division algorithm to work. This section presents algorithm for scaling the denominator specified in the fixed point number format *Q32.15*. After the scaling value is successfully determined, the numerator is scaled accordingly.

The presented algorithm shifts the value of denominator at every positive edge of the clock signal and saves the shifted value in the `compare` register. Then the combinational circuit is utilized to compare the shifted value in `compare` register with the number 1 specified in *Q32.15* format. If the compared value is the same or lower than 1 the shifting algorithm is done and the value `scaleToShift` is successfully found. If not, the inner value of shifting bits is incremented and the algorithm proceeds to the next iteration.

The presented algorithm is realized in the *denominatorSizeScaleUnit* module and it's pseudocode is depicted in the code 3 - 1.

```
1 at every negative edge of clock or positive edge of reset
2   if(rst)
3       scaleToShift = 0;
4       scaleToShiftInternal = 1;
5       started = 0;
6   end if
7   else if (start)
8       started = 1;
9   end else if
10
11 at every positive edge of clock
12   if (compare <= 32'b000000000000000001_0000000000000000)
13       done = 1;
14       started = 0;
15       scaleToShift = scaleToShiftInternal;
16   end if
17   else
18       done = 0;
19       scaleToShiftInternal = scaleToShiftInternal + 1;
20   end if
21
22 at every positive edge of clock
23   if(start)
24       compare <= DInternal >> scaleToShiftInternal;
25   end if
```

Code 3 - 1 Pseudocode for the *denominatorSizeScaleUnit* module algorithm.

3.4 Simulation results

The simulation via Verilog testbench was made to determine the correctness of presented division module. The Icarus Verilog simulator was used to simulate the module and GTKWave was used to display the VCD simulation output file.

The simulation output confirms that the module operates correctly for positive and negative numbers

in the fixed-point format $Q32.15$. The algorithm used in this module can compute the correct result in significantly fewer clock cycles compared to the full division algorithm utilized in the division module within the package [4]. As a result, the module can be freely used as a submodule in more complex modules.

VCD simulation output waveforms are depicted on the following Figures. The simulations were conducted for arbitrarily selected values of N and D , with clock frequency set to 250 MHz. Pseudocode Verilog snippet for the test bench is provided in the Listing 3 - 2. In the test bench, one unit of time corresponds to 1 ns. (based on the set timescale settings) The division unit algorithm starts at the next positive edge of clock signal after successful determination of the value *bitsToShift* when the *start* signal is set on low.

```

1  timescale 1ns/1ns
2  #10; // wait for 10 units of time
3  #0 rstScale = 1; startScale = 0; // reset unit for determining the
   number of bits to shift in the denominator and do not start the unit yet
4  N = 32'b000000000100110000_0000100000000000; D=32'
   b1111111111111111_1100000000000000; // set the numerator to N =
   304.03125, denominator to D = -0.25
5  #10 rstScale = 0; // wait for 10 units of time and stop the reset of
   scaling unit
6  #10 startScale = 1; // start the algorithm for scaling unit
7  #20 rst = 1; start = 0; // reset the division unit
8  #30 rst = 0; // stop resetting of the division unit
9  #20 start = 1; // start the division unit
10 #20 start = 0;
11 #1000; // wait 1000 units of time
12 $finish; // finish the simulation

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Code 3 - 2 Pseudocode snippet for the Verilog simulation test bench.

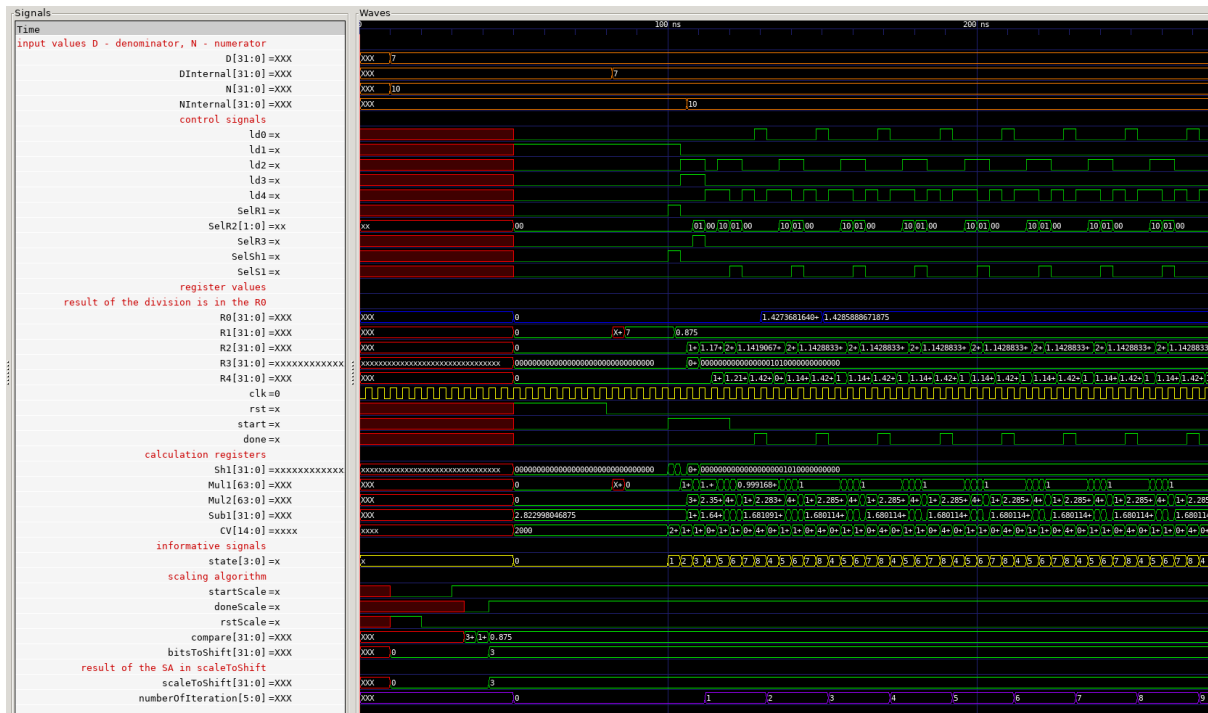


Figure 3 - 4 Selected signals from simulation of division $N/D = 10 / 7$. The correct result in R0 is obtained after two iterations (reg numberOfIterations).

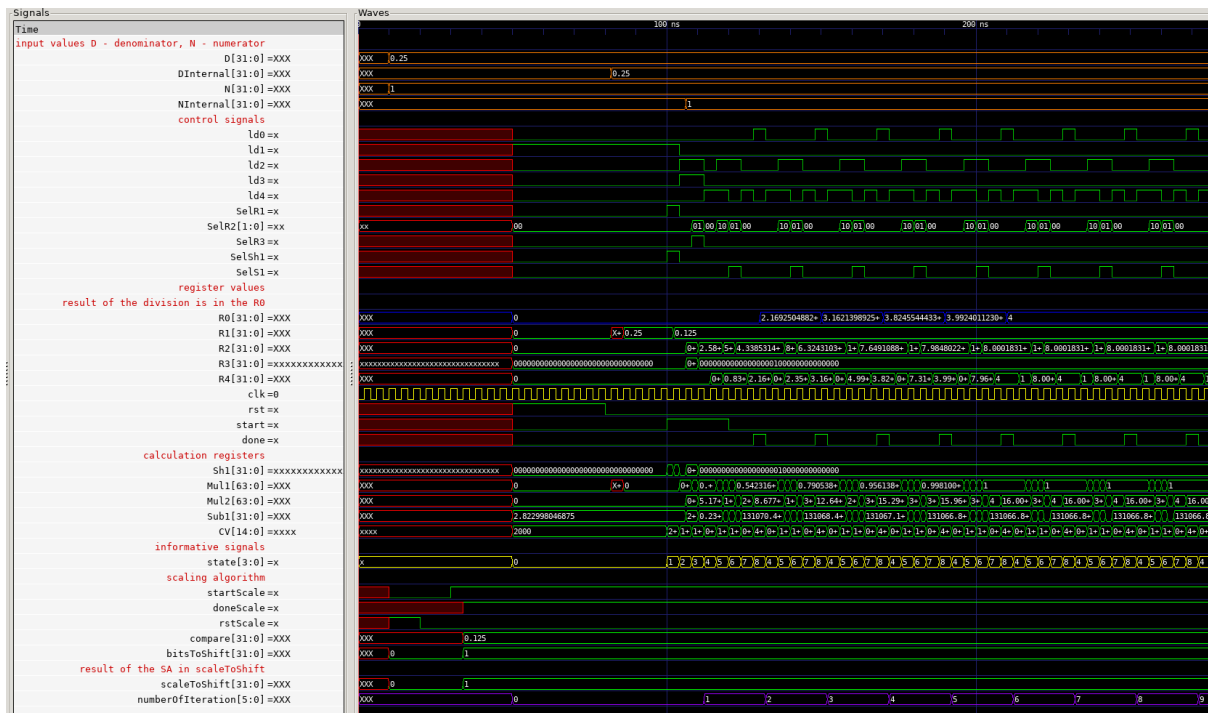


Figure 3 - 5 Selected signals from simulation of division $N/D = 1 / 0.25$. The correct result in R0 is obtained after five iterations (reg numberOfIterations).

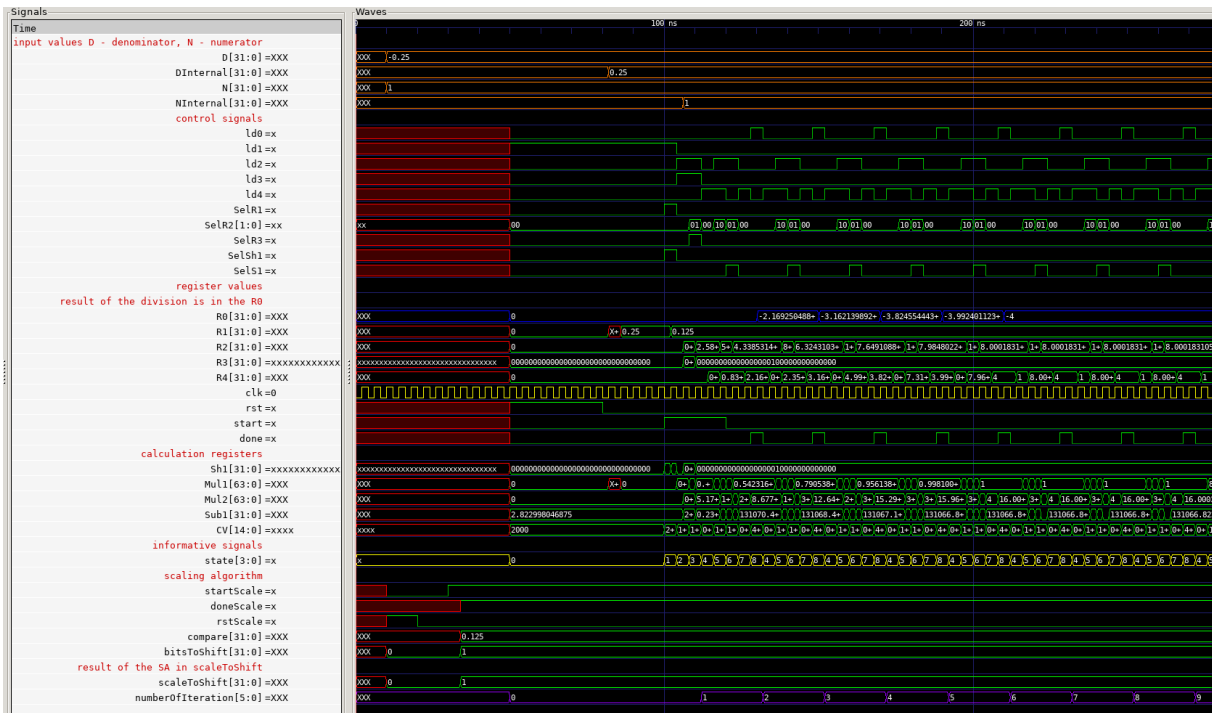


Figure 3 - 6 Selected signals from simulation of division $N/D = 1 / (-0.25)$. The correct result in R0 is obtained after five iterations (reg numberOfIterations).

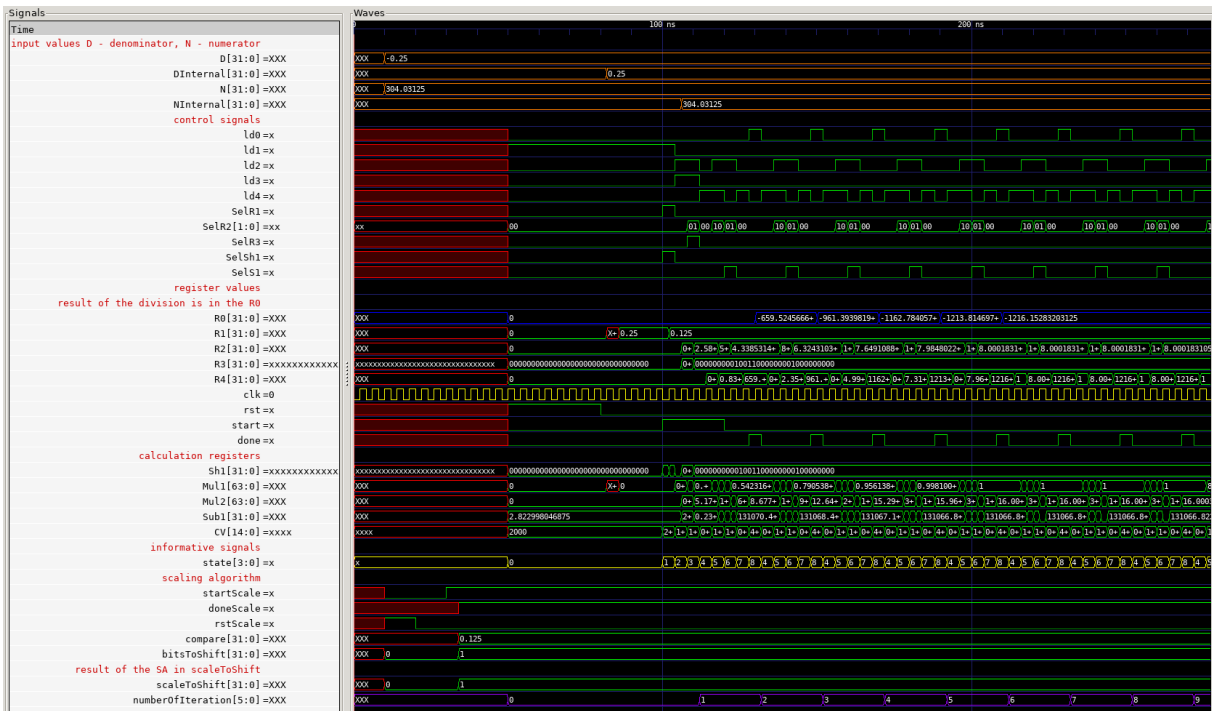


Figure 3 - 7 Selected signals from simulation of division $N/D = 304.03215 / (-0.25)$. The correct result in R0 is obtained after five iterations (reg numberOfIterations).

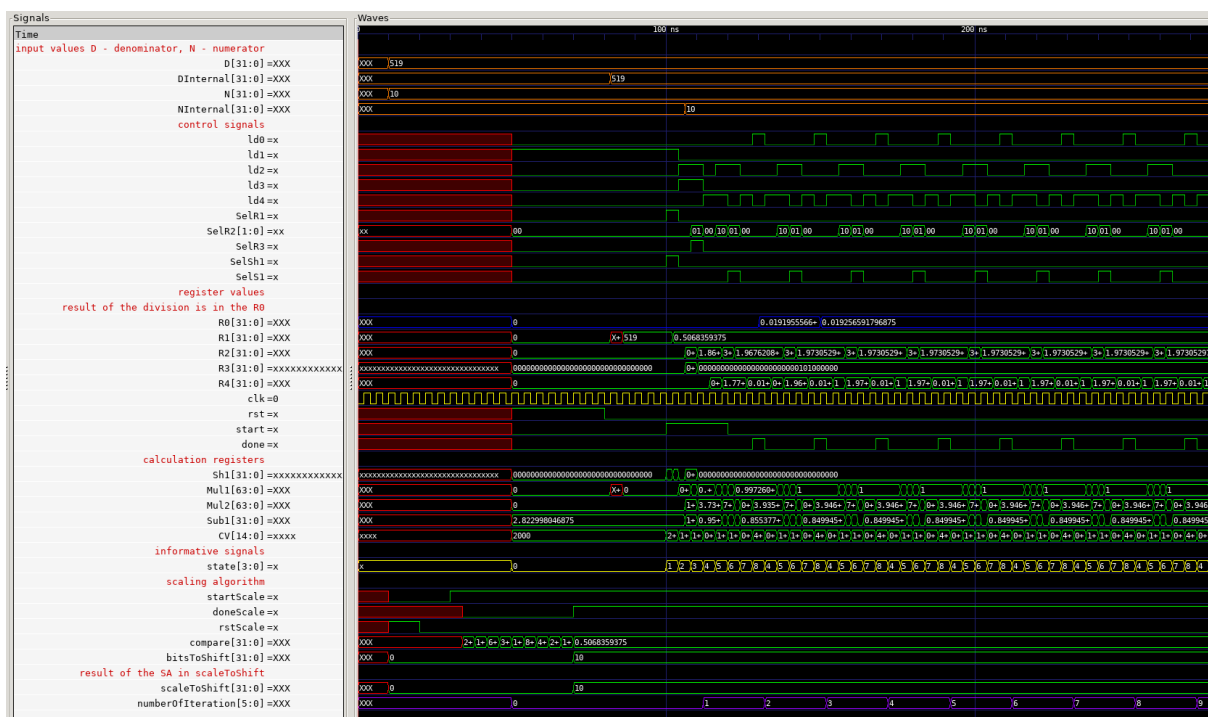


Figure 3 - 8 Selected signals from simulation of division $N/D = 10 / (519)$. The correct result in R0 is obtained after two iterations (reg numberOfIterations).

4 Using CORDIC to calculate trigonometric functions

There are numerous methods calculating trigonometric functions. To enhance flexibility, the Coordinate Rotation Digital Computer (CORDIC) was selected over the Look-Up Table (LUT) implementation.

While the LUT method may be fast, its accuracy depends on the size of the table. In contrast, when using the CORDIC the precision depends on number of performed iterations of the algorithm. The modified algorithm is versatile and may be used to calculate non-trivial functions, including hyperbolic functions, square roots, multiplications, divisions, exponentials and logarithms. [5] In this work only the calculation of *sinus* and *cosinus* functions is used.

4.1 Theory

The theory of the first CORDIC was introduced by Volder in [6]. This algorithm computes a coordinate conversion between rectangular (x, y) and polar (R, θ) coordinates. The algorithm was then extended by Walther in [7] to include circular, linear and hyperbolic transforms. In this paper, only circular transforms are employed to calculate *sine* and *cosine* functions. The presentation will focus on the fundamental aspects of the algorithm.

The rotation of a vector in the rectangular coordinate system (x, y) may be described by matrix-vector multiplication depicted in the Equation 4 - 1.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_R \\ y_R \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{in} \\ y_{in} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4 - 1)$$

where x_R and y_R are coordinates of a rotated vector, θ is the angle for which the vector with coordinates x_{in} and y_{in} was rotated.

Then when simplifying the Equation 4 - 1

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_R \\ y_R \end{pmatrix} = \cos(\theta) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\tan(\theta) \\ \tan(\theta) & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{in} \\ y_{in} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4 - 2)$$

it can be seen, that only multiplication by scaling factor of precalculated values of $\cos(\theta)$, multiplication by $\tan(\theta)$, subtraction and addition operations are needed to perform the rotation. However, the multiplication by $\tan(\theta)$ can be replaced. The replacement may be done for angles θ for which the equation 4 - 3 is true. When implementing the algorithm to the FPGA the multiplication may be swapped for signed right bit shift, which is faster operation than multiplication.

$$\tan(\theta) = 2^{-1}. \quad (4 - 3)$$

When the values $x_{in} = 1$ and $y_{in} = 0$ are used, the result for *sine* and *cosine* may be easily obtained from x_R and y_R as expressed in the Equation 4 - 4.

$$\begin{aligned} x_R &= x_{in} \cos(\theta) - y_{in} \sin(\theta) = |\theta = 0| = \cos(\theta), \\ y_R &= x_{in} \sin(\theta) + y_{in} \cos(\theta) = |\theta = 0| = \sin(\theta). \end{aligned} \quad (4 - 4)$$

The algorithm can be further simplified by assuming that it is designed to undergo more than 6 iterations and thus the scaling constant, represented by multiplying *cosine* of different θ values, converges to 0,60725. If this condition is true, there is no necessity to precalculate all the scaling values and only the convergent value may be used for the multiplication. In this paper the precalculated values are passed

from the custom LUT module to the main algorithm.

As evident from the *Example of calculation* section or the algorithm theory itself, it is essential to establish whether the angle for which the vector is rotated in the next iteration should be in a positive direction (counter-clockwise) or negative direction (clockwise). To address this, the set of the equations is expanded, and new variable z_i is introduced. The complete set of equations utilized in the implementation is as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} x[i+1] &= x[i] - \sigma_i 2^{-i} y[i], \\ y[i+1] &= y[i] + \sigma_i 2^{-i} x[i], \\ z[i+1] &= z[i] - \sigma_i \operatorname{atan}(2^{-i}). \end{aligned} \quad (4-5)$$

The σ_{i+1} is determined based on the sign of the z_{i+1} variable

$$\sigma_{i+1} = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } z_{i+1} < 0 \\ 1, & \text{if } z_{i+1} > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } z_{i+1} = 0 \end{cases} \quad (4-6)$$

The algorithm, as presented, accurately computes values for *sine* and *cosine* functions only in the first and fourth quadrants ($3\pi/2$ to $\pi/2$ counter-clockwise). To expand its applicability across the entire 2π range, specific actions must be taken before the actual looped algorithm.

The algorithm must determine the quadrant, where the desired angle θ for which the *sine* and *cosine* functions are to be calculated is. This determination is made through `if` statements during the initialization of the algorithm values and at the final value calculation. If the reference angle θ falls outside the first or fourth quadrant, then the angle is rotated from its original quadrant to either the first or fourth quadrant. Depending on the quadrant, to which the angle is rotated, the σ_i value is set accordingly. The corresponding `if` statements during the algorithm initialization are provided in Pseudocode 4 - 1. Similar statements used at the final values calculation are presented in Pseudocode 4 - 2.

The pseudocodes use `initialZValue` as a reference angle θ , for which to calculate the *sine* and *cosine* function values, `zValue` as a temporary value for calculating the iterations for z_i variables, `sigmaValue` for temporary value holding the current iteration value of σ_i , the `resultCos` and `resultSin` variables are used for storing the temporary and final values of the $\cos(\theta)$ and $\sin(\theta)$ values respectively.

```

1 if((initialZValue > 1.5707)&(initialZValue < 3.141592))
2     sigmaValue = -1
3     zValue = initialZValue - 3.141592
4 else if((initialZValue > 3.141592)&(initialZValue < 4.7123))
5     sigmaValue = 1
6     zValue = initialZValue - 3.141592
7 else
8     zValue = initialZValue
9     sigmaValue = 1
10 end

```

Code 4 - 1 Pseudocode for `if` statements used at the value initialization of the CORDIC algorithm.

```

1 if((initialZValue > 1.5707)&(initialZValue < 3.141592))

```

```

2   resultCos = - resultCos
3   resultSin = resultSin
4 else if((initialZValue > 3.141592)&(initialZValue < 4.7123))
5   resultCos = - resultCos
6   resultSin = - resultSin
7 end

```

Code 4 - 2 Pseudocode for if statements used at the final sinus and cosinus value calculation.

4.1.1 Example of calculation

The CORDIC algorithm's general approach can be illustrated by calculating the *sine* and *cosine* values for the reference angle $\theta = 57,535^\circ$. Initially, the angle is deconstructed into its base angles, satisfying the Equation 4 - 3. In this example the deconstruction is $57,535 = 45 + 25,565 - 14,03$.

The index i of the variables x_i and y_i in the following equations means the number of iteration of the algorithm.

$$0. \text{ iteration } \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix} = \cos(45^\circ) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{\text{in}} \\ y_{\text{in}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4 - 7)$$

$$1. \text{ iteration } \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \cos(26,565^\circ) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2^{-1} \\ 2^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4 - 8)$$

$$2. \text{ iteration } \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \cos(-14,03^\circ) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2^{-2} \\ 2^{-2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (4 - 9)$$

Then values x_2 and y_2 may be obtained.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \cos(45^\circ) \cos(25,565^\circ) \cos(-14,03^\circ) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2^{-2} \\ 2^{-2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2^{-1} \\ 2^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{\text{in}} \\ y_{\text{in}} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (4 - 10)$$

The values x_2 and y_2 in the Equation 4 - 10 correspond to $\cos(57,535^\circ)$ and $\sin(57,535^\circ)$ respectively.

4.2 Python Implementation

For simplicity, the CORDIC algorithm was prototyped in Python. This proved highly beneficial, as the debugging of the Python code is much more straightforward compared to debugging Verilog design without prepared and debugged algorithm in a higher level language.

The Python code was used to precalculate the LUT for scaling factor and arcus tangens values for z_i calculations.

For clarity, the Python implementation is provided in Code 4 - 3. The presented Code also calculates the error between the CORDIC-calculated value and the Python math library functions.

```

1 import math
2
3
4 # Defining starting values and empty arrays
5 totalNumberOfIterations = 12 # 12 - best tradeof between value and

```

```

    iterations
6 atanValues = []
7 scalingValues = [1]
8 initialXValueCordic = 1
9 initialYValueCordic = 0
10 # initialZValueCordic = 1.248 # angle for which to calculate cordic
11 # initialZValueCordic = - 1.248 # angle for which to calculate cordic
12 # initialZValueCordic = - 6.7194 # angle for which to calculate cordic
13 # initialZValueCordic = 10.7194824 # angle for which to calculate cordic
14 initialZValueCordic = 5 # angle for which to calculate cordic
15 initialSigmaValueCordic = 1
16
17 for x in range(totalNumberOfIterations):
18     # Generating arcus tanges values of precalculated angles based on
    number of iterations
19     atanValues.append(math.atan(1*2**(-x)))
20     # Generating precalculated scaling values based on a number of
    iterations
21     scalingValues.append(scalingValues[x]*math.cos(atanValues[x]))
22
23 print("atanValues: ", atanValues)
24 print("scalingValues: ", scalingValues)
25
26 print("*-+-+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+*")
27 print("\n")
28 print("initialZValue original: ", initialZValueCordic)
29
30 # Moving angle to interval [0,2Pi]
31 if initialZValueCordic > 0:
32     while initialZValueCordic > (2*3.141592):
33         initialZValueCordic = initialZValueCordic - 2*3.141592
34 else:
35     while initialZValueCordic < (-2*3.141592):
36         initialZValueCordic = initialZValueCordic + 2*3.141592
37
38
39 print("initialZValue after moving to [0,2Pi] interval: ",
    initialZValueCordic)
40 print("\n")
41 print("*-+-+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+--+*")
42
43 # Checking the initial value and moving it in the interval
44 if (initialZValueCordic > 1.5707) and (initialZValueCordic < 3.141592):
45     zValue = initialZValueCordic - 3.141592
46     sigmaValue = -1
47     print("value in second q")
48     print("zValue:", zValue)
49 elif (initialZValueCordic > 3.141592) and (initialZValueCordic < 4.7123):

```



```

50     zValue = initialZValueCordic - 3.141592
51     sigmaValue = 1
52     print("value in third q")
53     print("zValue:", zValue)
54 elif (initialZValueCordic < 0):
55     sigmaValue = -1
56     zValue = initialZValueCordic
57     print("value in fourth q")
58     print("zValue:", zValue)
59 elif (initialZValueCordic > 4.7123) and (initialZValueCordic < 6.28318):
60     sigmaValue = -1
61     zValue = initialZValueCordic - 2*3.141592
62     print("value in fourth q")
63     print("zValue:", zValue)
64 else:
65     zValue = initialZValueCordic # For angle
66     sigmaValue = initialSigmaValueCordic # For +/- next angle
67     print("value in first")
68     print("zValue:", zValue)
69
70 # Passing starting values to the calculation values
71 xValue = initialXValueCordic # For cos
72 yValue = initialYValueCordic # For sin
73
74
75 # CORDIC ALGORITHM
76 for x in range(totalNumberOfIterations):
77
78     # Calculating next values of the current iteration x
79     xNextValue = xValue - (sigmaValue*yValue)*2**(-x)
80     yNextValue = yValue + (sigmaValue*xValue)*2**(-x)
81     zNextValue = zValue - sigmaValue * atanValues[x]
82
83     # Determining the signum of next angle (addition or subtraction)
84     if zNextValue >= 0:
85         sigmaNextValue = 1
86     else:
87         sigmaNextValue = -1
88
89     # Values for new iteration
90     xValue = xNextValue
91     yValue = yNextValue
92     zValue = zNextValue
93     sigmaValue = sigmaNextValue
94
95     print("iteration:", x, "xValue:", xValue, "yValue:", yValue, "zValue:",
96           zValue, "sigmaValue:", sigmaValue, "\n")

```


Once the Python implementation and debugging are completed, the Verilog implementation of the algorithm can be initiated. Similar to the Division Unit module, as presented in *Calculating the division of fixed point numbers* section, the Data Path, Control Unit and Top Module were designed. This application-specific circuit design approach should be faster and safer than creating a custom CPU with reduced and customized ISA.

4.3 IP Block Design

4.3.1 Top module design

The top module design of the CORDIC IP is illustrated in Figure 4 - 1. As evident, the structure closely resembles that of the Division Unit top module. When using an approach to create a customized circuit for an algorithm, the process of developing the top modules is likely to be similar, with minor differences in signals, inputs and variables.

The Data Path module incorporates precalculated values in LUTs for *atanValues* and *scalingValues*. In this implementation, the value of *totalNumberOfIterations* is set to 12 , making the LUT 12x32 bits in size. It is worth noting that the previously introduced custom fixed-point format *Q32.15* is utilized.

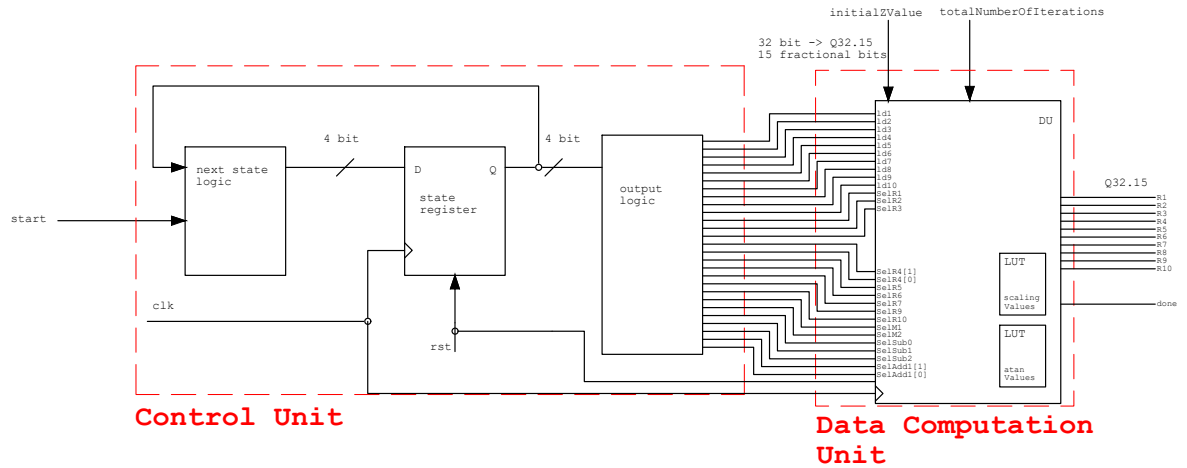


Figure 4 - 1 Top module design for the CORDIC module block design.

4.3.2 Allocation and Timing

In Figure 4 - 2, the allocation and timing diagram is depicted. Notably, the if statements, implemented in the control unit, are documented within the diagram. The explanation, why the if statements are needed, is presented in the CORDIC Theory section.

As mentioned in the CORDIC Control Unit sections, there are two primary approaches to iteration

cycles. The one is to proceed from $S4$ to $S2$ for a faster algorithm, while the other involves progressing from $S6$ to $S2$. The latter approach is employed for demonstrative purposes, as it ensures that the final numerical values are always calculated.

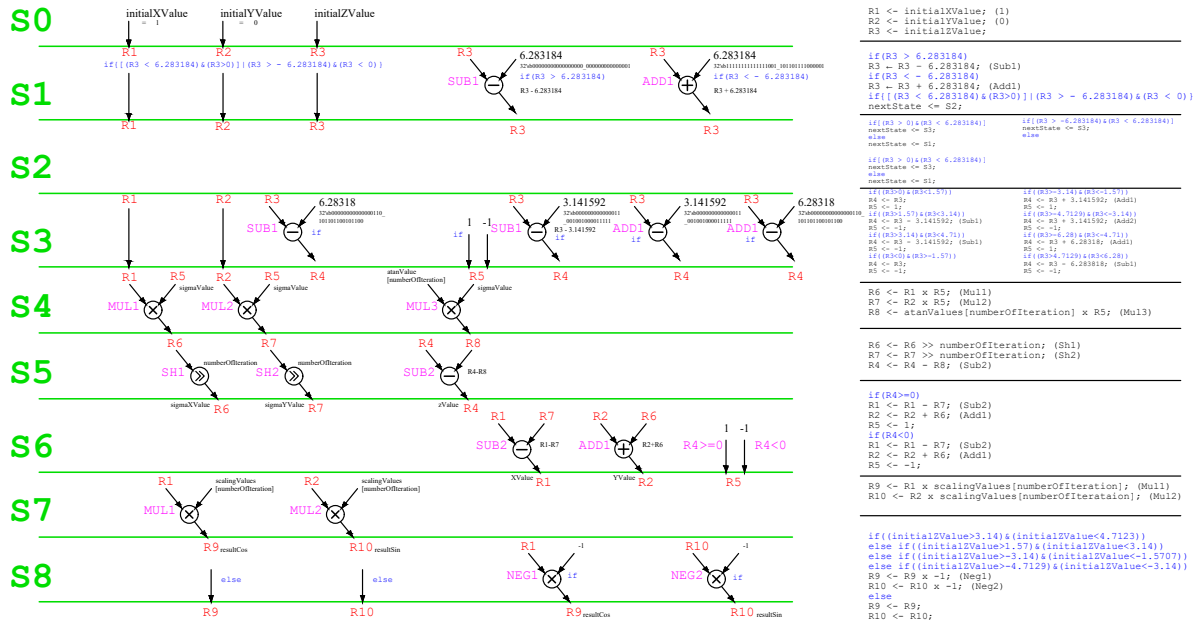


Figure 4 - 2 Allocation and timing diagram for the Data Path Unit part of the CORDIC IP.

4.3.3 Data Path Module

The Figure 4 - 3 presents the Data Path module of the design, calculation and storing units included. The memory LUTs for *atanValues* and *scalingValues* are presented not as separate registers but as inputs to the calculation unit. The results of *sine* and *cosine* functions, referred to as *resultSin* and *resultCos* in the Python implementation, are stored to registers R9 and R10, respectively. It is important to note that the **NEG** blocks are not implemented as calculation unit blocks for generating the negative numbers. Instead negation is activated in the corresponding target register when the appropriate **SelR_x** is activated. (where *x* represents the number of a corresponding register, either R9 or R10)

The implementation of the LUT memory module for *atanValues* is depicted in Code 4 - 4, memory module for *scalingValues* is depicted in Code 4 - 5.

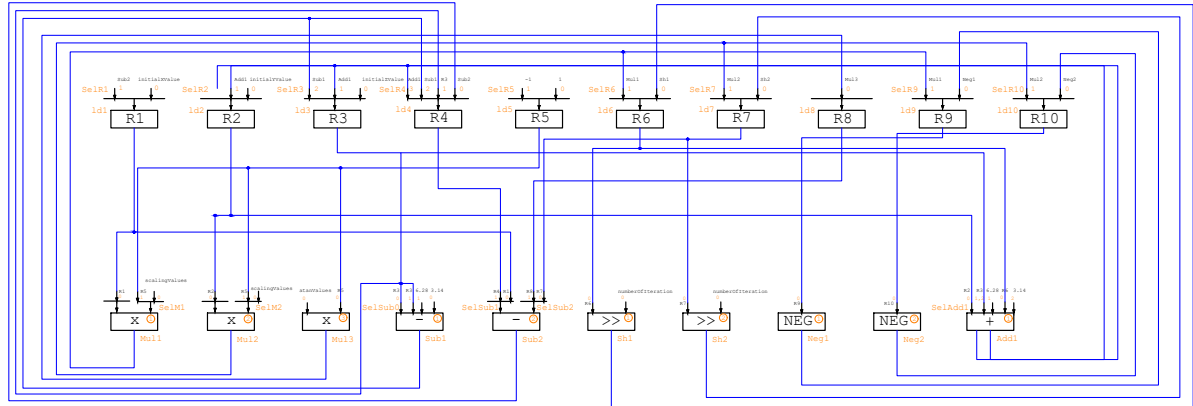


Figure 4 - 3 Register transfer level (RTL) scheme of the CORDIC IP Data Path Unit IP.

```

1 module atanValuesCordicLUT(index, returnValue);
2
3 input [3:0] index;
4 output reg signed [31:0] returnValue;
5
6
7 always@(index)
8 begin
9     case(index)
10         4'b0000: returnValue = 32'sb00000000000000000000_110010010000111; //
11             0.7853981633974483
12         4'b0001: returnValue = 32'sb00000000000000000000_011101101011000; //
13             0.4636476090008061
14         4'b0010: returnValue = 32'sb00000000000000000000_001111101011011; //
15             0.24497866312686414
16         4'b0011: returnValue = 32'sb00000000000000000000_000111111101010; //
17             0.12435499454676144
18         4'b0100: returnValue = 32'sb00000000000000000000_000011111111101; //
19             0.06241880999595735
20         4'b0101: returnValue = 32'sb00000000000000000000_000001111111111; //
21             0.031239833430268277
22         4'b0110: returnValue = 32'sb00000000000000000000_000000111111111; //
23             0.015623728620476831
24     endcase
25 end

```

```

17     4'b0111: returnValue = 32'sb000000000000000000_0000000111111111; //
    0.007812341060101111
18     4'b1000: returnValue = 32'sb000000000000000000_0000000111111111; //
    0.007812341060101111
19     4'b1001: returnValue = 32'sb000000000000000000_0000000011111111; //
    0.0019531225164788188
20     4'b1010: returnValue = 32'sb000000000000000000_0000000001111111; //
    0.0009765621895593195
21     4'b1011: returnValue = 32'sb000000000000000000_0000000000111111; //
    0.0004882812111948983
22     default: returnValue = 32'sb000000000000000000_0000000000000000; // 0
23     endcase
24 end
25 endmodule

```

Code 4 - 4 Verilog code of the atanValuesCordicLUT lookup table (LUT) implementation.

```

1 module scalingValuesCordicLUT(index, returnValue);
2
3 input [3:0] index;
4 output reg signed [31:0] returnValue;
5
6 always@(index)
7 begin
8     case(index)
9         4'b0000: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000001_0000000000000000; //
            1
10        4'b0001: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_101101010000010; //
            0.7071067811865476
11        4'b0010: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_101000011110100; //
            0.6324555320336759
12        4'b0011: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100111010001001; //
            0.6135719910778964
13        4'b0100: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100110111101110; //
            0.6088339125177524
14        4'b0101: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100110111000111; //
            0.6088339125177524
15        4'b0110: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100110110111101; //
            0.607351770141296
16        4'b0111: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100110110111011; //
            0.6072776440935261
17        4'b1000: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100110110111010; //
            0.6072591122988928
18        4'b1001: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100110110111010; //
            0.6072544793325625
19        4'b1010: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100110110111010; //
            0.6072533210898753
20        4'b1011: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_100110110111010; //
            0.6072530315291345

```

```

21         default: returnValue <= 32'sb000000000000000000_0000000000000000; //
22         0
23     endcase
24 endmodule

```

Code 4 - 5 Verilog code of the scalingValuesCordicLUT lookup table (LUT) implementation.

4.3.4 Control Unit

Similarly to the Division *Control Unit* section, the encoding of the control signal is presented in Table 4 - 1.

The branches of if statements used in the design have been color-coded to enhance clarity. Steps S5 and S6 are mainly focused on multiplying the result of iteration by the appropriate scaling value and on multiplying the calculated values based on the quadrant of the original reference angle value.

Table 4 - 1 Control signal encoding table for instructions to be processed by the CORDIC Module.

State	RTL Code	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	CV
S0	R0 ← totalNumberIterations; R1 ← initialXValue; R2 ← initialYValue; R3 ← initialZValue; R3 ← R3 - 6.283184; (Sub1)	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'b0000000
S1	if(R3 < 0) R3 ← R3 + 6.283184; (Add1) if((R3 < 6.283184) && (R3 > 0)) R3 ← 6.283184 && (R3 - 0); → nextState == S2; else → nextState == S1;	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	28'b2000010
S2	if(R3 > 0) R3 ← R3 - 6.283184; → nextState == S1; CS = 0; else → nextState == S1; if(R3 > 6.283184 && (R3 < 6.283184)) → nextState == S3; CS = 0; else → nextState == S1;	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'b0
S3	if(R3 < 0) R3 ← 1.5707; R4 ← R3; R5 ← -1; if(R3 < 1.5707 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R4 ← R3 - 3.141592; (Sub1) R5 ← -1; if(R3 < 1.5707 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R4 ← R3 - 3.141592; (Sub1) R5 ← -1; if(R3 < 0 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R5 ← -1; R4 ← R3; if(R3 < -1.5707 && (R3 > -3.141592)) R4 ← R3 + 3.141592; (Add1) R5 ← 1; if(R3 < -1.5707 && (R3 > -3.141592)) R4 ← R3 + 3.141592; (Add1) R5 ← 1; if(R3 < -4.71238 && (R3 > -6.28318)) R4 ← R3 + 6.28318; (Add1) R5 ← 1;	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'b1801000
	if(R3 < 1.5707 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R4 ← R3 - 3.141592; (Sub1) R5 ← -1;	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'b1802000
	if(R3 < 1.5707 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R4 ← R3 - 3.141592; (Sub1) R5 ← -1;	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'b1802000
	if(R3 < 0 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R5 ← -1; R4 ← R3;	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'b1801800
	if(R3 < -1.5707 && (R3 > -3.141592)) R4 ← R3 + 3.141592; (Add1) R5 ← 1;	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	28'b1803002
	if(R3 < -1.5707 && (R3 > -3.141592)) R4 ← R3 + 3.141592; (Add1) R5 ← 1;	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	28'b1803802
	if(R3 < -4.71238 && (R3 > -6.28318)) R4 ← R3 + 6.28318; (Add1) R5 ← 1;	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	28'b1803001
	if(R3 < 1.5707 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R4 ← R3 - 3.141592; (Sub1) R5 ← -1;	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'b1802810
	R6 ← R1 x R5; (Mul1) R7 ← R2 x R5; (Mul2) R8 ← atanValue(numberOfIterations) x R5; (Mul3)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	28'b700660
	R6 ← R6 * numberOfIterations; (SB1) R7 ← R7 * numberOfIterations; (SB2) R4 ← R4 - R8; (Sub2) R5 ← 0;	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	28'b16000C
	R4 ← 0; R1 ← R1 - R7; (Sub3) R2 ← R2 + R6; (Add1) R5 ← 1;	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'bC830000
S6	R4 ← 0; R1 ← R1 - R7; (Sub3) R2 ← R2 + R6; (Add1) R5 ← 1;	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'bC830800
S7	R9 ← R1 x scalingValue(numberOfIterations); (Mul1) R10 ← R2 x scalingValue(numberOfIterations); (Mul2)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'bC0180
S8	if(R3 < 1.5707 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R9 ← R9 x (-1); (Neg1) R10 ← R10 x (-1); (Neg2)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'bC0000
	if(R3 < 1.5707 && (R3 > -1.5707)) R9 ← R9 x (-1); (Neg1) R10 ← R10 x (-1); (Neg2)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'bC0000
	if(R3 < -1.5707 && (R3 > -3.141592)) R9 ← R9 x (-1); (Neg1) R10 ← R10 x (-1); (Neg2)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'bC0000
	if(R3 < -1.5707 && (R3 > -3.141592)) R9 ← R9 x (-1); (Neg1) R10 ← R10 x (-1); (Neg2)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'bC0000
	else R9 ← R9; R10 ← R10;	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28'b0

4.4 Simulation results

The testbench for testing the design was developed using Cocotb [1] with the Verilator [2] as a simulator.

It becomes evident during the algorithm implementation, where the actual iteration values for *sine* and *cosine* are calculated, that the number of cycles required for the final calculation can be determined as

$$NoCyc_{\text{result every iteration}} = \begin{cases} 3, & \text{if } initialZValue \in [-2\pi, 2\pi] \\ 4, & \text{if } initialZValue \notin [-2\pi, 2\pi] \end{cases} + 5NoIt, \quad (4 - 11)$$

where $NoCyc$ (-) is the number of cycles and $NoIt$ is the number of iterations for the CORDIC algorithm. The 4 value is caused by states $S0$ – $S4$ and the multiplication by 5 is caused by states $S4$ – $S8$. When the result of the CORDIC algorithm is calculated only once at the end of the algorithm, the number of iterations can be determined by

$$NoCyc_{\text{result at the end}} = \begin{cases} 3, & \text{if } initialZValue \in [-2\pi, 2\pi] \\ 4, & \text{if } initialZValue \notin [-2\pi, 2\pi] \end{cases} + 3NoIt + 2, \quad (4 - 12)$$

where the multiplication by value 3 is caused by states $S4$ – $S6$, the addition of 4 is caused by states $S0$ – $S4$ and the addition of the 2 is caused by states $S7$ – $S8$.

In the simulation the *numberOfCycles* displayed is an index of the cycle, so for angle $\theta = -1.247985$ rad is the number of iterations depicted on Figure 4 - 5 is 63.

The frequency of the clock signal in the simulation is currently set to 50 MHz.

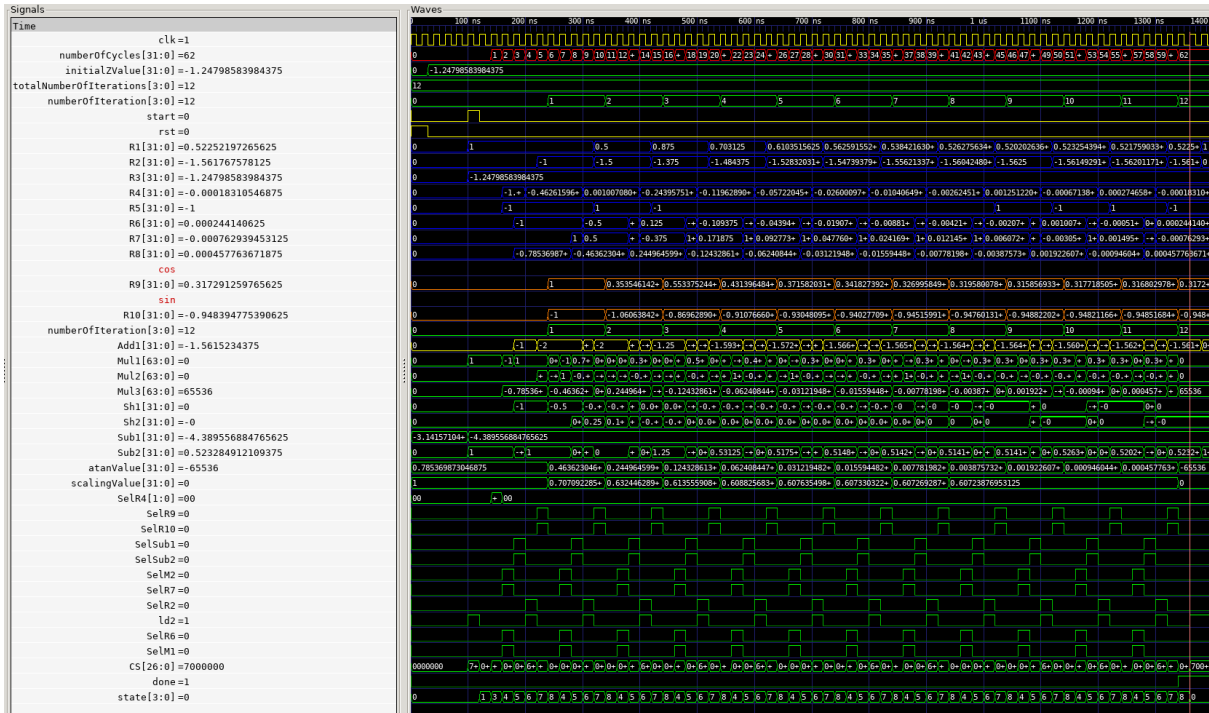


Figure 4 - 4 The whole Verilog simulation of CORDIC algorithm for determining the sine and cosine values of angle $\theta = -1.2479$ rad. The value of sine and cosine based on the current iteration is also calculated in this algorithm approach. The result is passed to the registers R9 and R10.

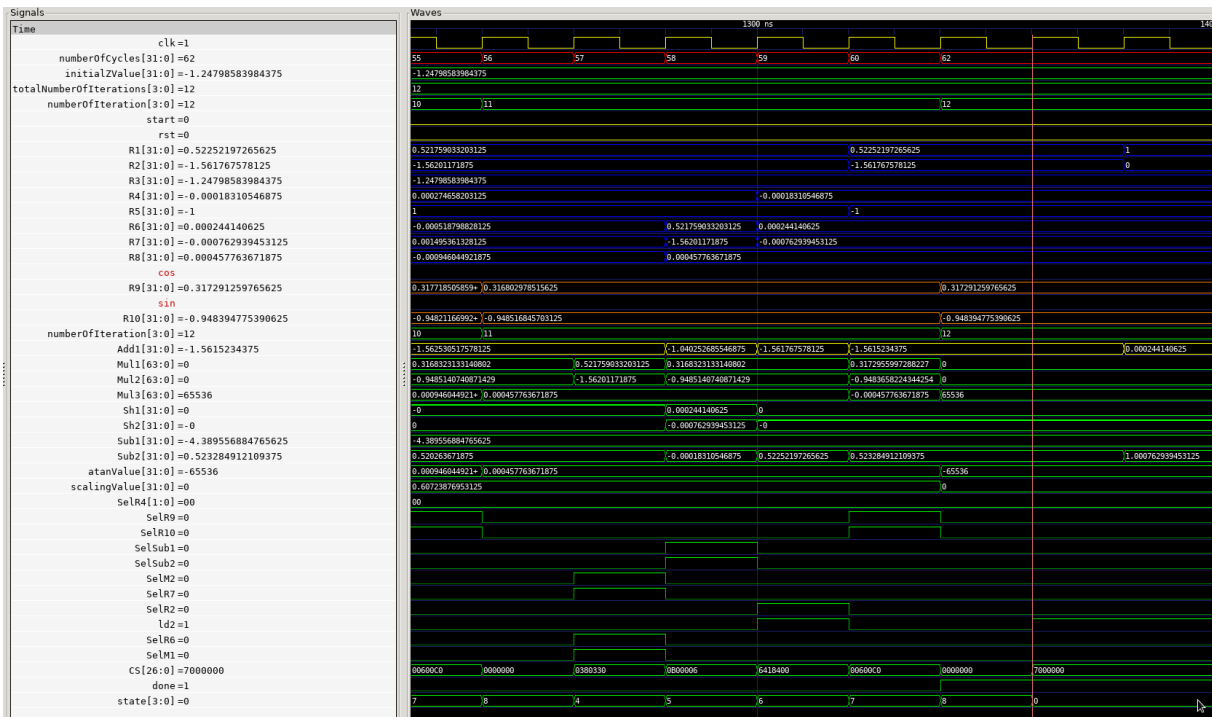


Figure 4- 5 The detail of the last iteration of the Verilog simulation of CORDIC algorithm for determining the sine and cosine values of angle $\theta = -1.2479$ rad. The result is passed to the registers R9 and R10.

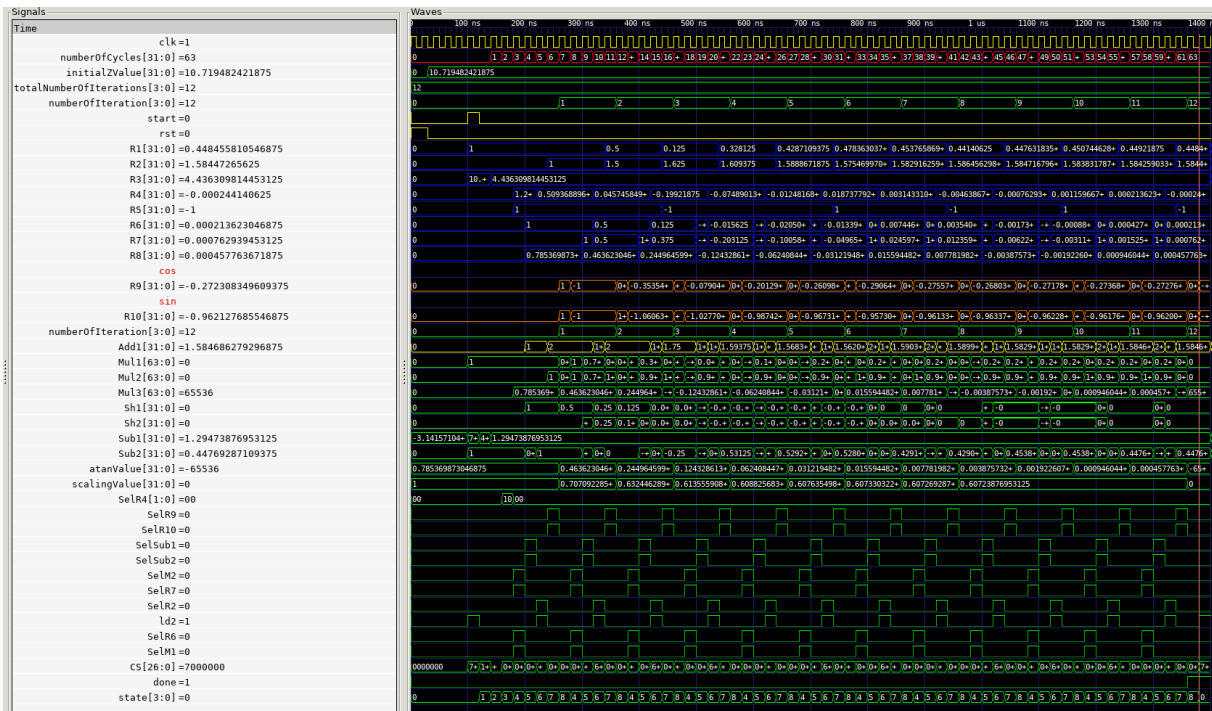


Figure 4- 6 The whole Verilog simulation of CORDIC algorithm for determining the sine and cosine values of angle $\theta = 10.7195129$ rad. The value of sinus and cosinus based on the current iteration is also calculated in this algorithm approach. The result is passed to the registers R9 and R10.

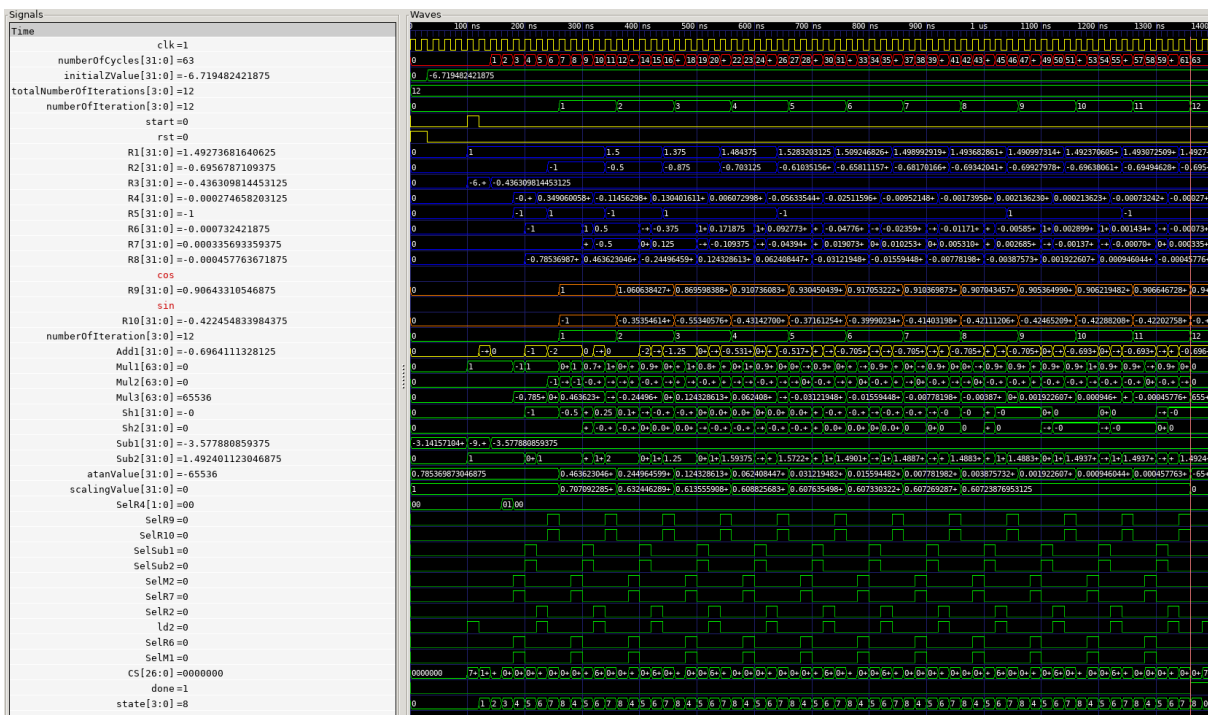


Figure 4 - 7 The whole Verilog simulation of CORDIC algorithm for determining the sine and cosine values of angle $\theta = -6.7195129$ rad. The value of sinus and cosinus based on the current iteration is also calculated in this algorithm approach. The result is passed to the registers R9 and R10.

5 Simple set of nonlinear equations solved by a Newton-Raphson algorithm using custom circuit implementation

Most of the modules presented in the preceding sections can be utilized as submodules to solve the system of nonlinear equations. Because this work aims to solve the transcendental equations for Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE), the most effective approach is to initially solve a simpler set of equations to determine, the difficulty and viability of the NR.

5.1 Theory

The objective of the NR algorithm is to solve the set of nonlinear equations

$$F_1(x_1, x_2) = x_1^3 - x_2 - 1, \quad (5 - 1)$$

$$F_2(x_1, x_2) = x_1 - 2x_2 - 2, \quad (5 - 2)$$

where one possible set of solutions x_1 and x_2 yields

$$F_1 = 0, \quad (5 - 3)$$

$$F_2 = 0. \quad (5 - 4)$$

The algorithm could have been implemented in a custom CPU with reduced instruction set. However, due to apparent reasons such as speed and complexity associated with developing own processor, chosen approach involved creating an application specific circuit design.

In order to integrate the algorithm into the custom design, the general NR algorithm approach had to be simplified to its most fundamental implementation. Every component that could be precalculated was set as a static value during the design phase.

To check if the implementation and algorithm was well designed, the solution by *Solve* function and a customized NR was made in Wolfram Mathematica.

Before initiating the algorithm, the starting values of x_1^0 and x_2^0 were set as inputs to the module. Based on that input the function values at selected starting points were calculated.

As a next step, the so called defect could be calculated using the newly found values of $F_1(x_1^0, x_2^0)$ and $F_2(x_1^0, x_2^0)$

$$\Delta \mathbf{F}^i = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta F_1^i \\ \Delta F_2^i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F_1^i - F_1^{\text{known solution}} \\ F_2^i - F_2^{\text{known solution}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (5 - 5)$$

where the superscript i is the number of iteration for which the defect is calculated. When the algorithm starts, the $i = 0$. So for example the input value for F_1^0 is x_1^0 and x_2^0 .

Next, the Jacobian matrix \mathbf{J} from vector of functions $(F)(x_1, x_2) = (F_1, F_2)$ is calculated as follows.

$$\mathbf{J}^i = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{dF_1}{dx_1^i} & \frac{dF_1}{dx_2^i} \\ \frac{dF_2}{dx_1^i} & \frac{dF_2}{dx_2^i} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3(x_1^i)^2 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5 - 6)$$

As for the general NR algorithm, the inverted value Jacobian matrix needs to be calculated. The problem is, that when using general mathematical software, such as Wolfram Mathematica, the calculation of

the inversion is as easy as using function of inversion. When designing the circuit, the approach of manual calculation of inversion must be used. In this paper, the calculation is made possible by calculating the determinant of the Jacobian Matrix, its reciprocal value, its adjugate matrix and multiplication of the adjugate matrix elements by the calculated determinant reciprocal value.

Because the size of the Jacobian matrix is 2x2 the determinant may be easily calculated using the Sarrus Rule. When the matrix is more complicated, the expansion method may be utilized.

$$\det(\mathbf{J}) = 3(x_1^i)^2(-2) - (-1) = 3(x_1^i)^2(-2) + 1. \quad (5 - 7)$$

The reciprocal value of the determinant is then calculated by the Division Unit, created for calculating division of arbitrary real numbers. This Division Unit is presented in the section *Calculating the division of fixed point numbers*.

The adjugate matrix is calculated as follows

$$\text{adj}(\mathbf{J}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{J}_{11}(-1)^{1+1} & \mathbf{J}_{01}(-1)^{1+2} \\ \mathbf{J}_{10}(-1)^{1+2} & \mathbf{J}_{00}(-1)^{2+2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3(x_1^i)^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5 - 8)$$

After the calculation of the reciprocal value of the determinant of the Jacobi matrix and the adjugate matrix, the inverted Jacobi matrix may be finally calculated

$$\mathbf{J}^{-1i} = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{J}^i)} \begin{pmatrix} \text{adj}(\mathbf{J}_{00}^i) & \text{adj}(\mathbf{J}_{01}^i) \\ \text{adj}(\mathbf{J}_{10}^i) & \text{adj}(\mathbf{J}_{11}^i) \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{J}^i)} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3(x_1^i)^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5 - 9)$$

Next the $(\Delta x_1^i, \Delta x_2^i)$ can be calculated using the inverted Jacobi matrix and the defect.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Delta x_1^i \\ \Delta x_2^i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{J}_{00}^{-1,i} \Delta F_1^i + \mathbf{J}_{01}^{-1,i} \Delta F_2^i \\ \mathbf{J}_{10}^{-1,i} \Delta F_1^i + \mathbf{J}_{11}^{-1,i} \Delta F_2^i \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5 - 10)$$

Now the next iteration value denoted as $i + 1$ of x_1 and x_2 may be calculated

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1^{i+1} \\ x_2^{i+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^i + \Delta x_1^i \\ x_2^i + \Delta x_2^i \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5 - 11)$$

With these new iteration values x_1^{i+1} x_2^{i+1} the loop for calculation starts again at the calculation of the new value F_1^{i+1} F_2^{i+1} which is presented at the start of this section.

5.2 IP Block Design

5.2.1 Top module design

Figure 5 - 1 depicts the top module design of the circuit. The Control Unit sends control signals to the Data Path unit to make the calculations. As in all designs in this paper, the numbers are formatted in the *Q32.15* fixed point format.

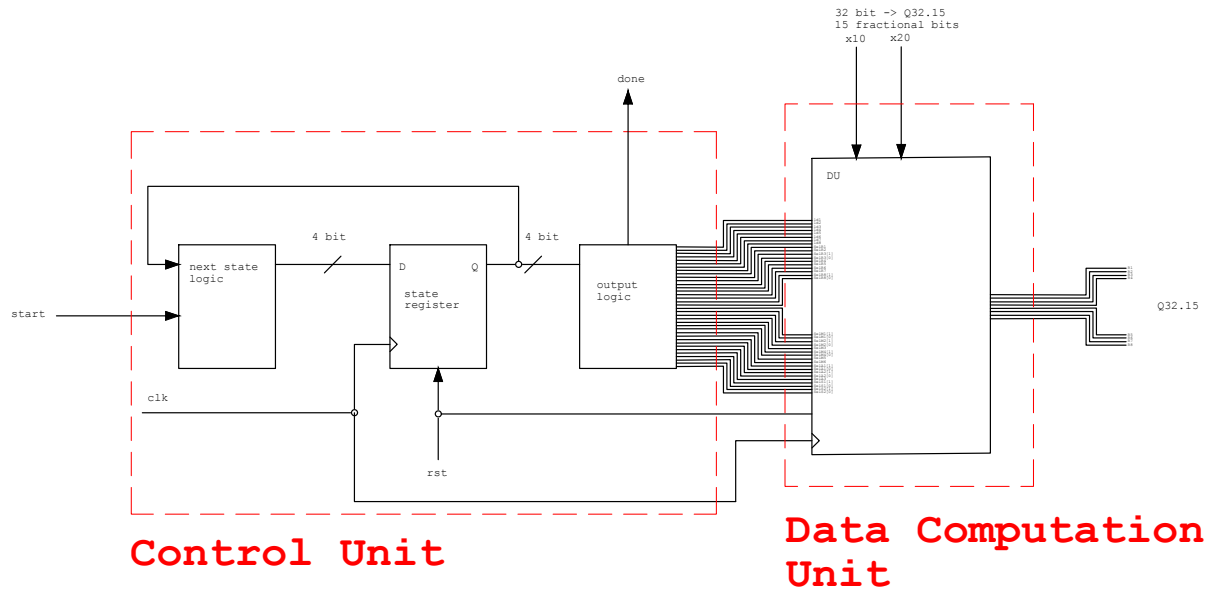


Figure 5 - 1 Top module design for the simple Newton-Raphson (NR) calculation module block design.

5.2.2 Allocation and Timing

The algorithm structure for the Verilog implementation is depicted in the data flow diagram in the picture 5 - 2.

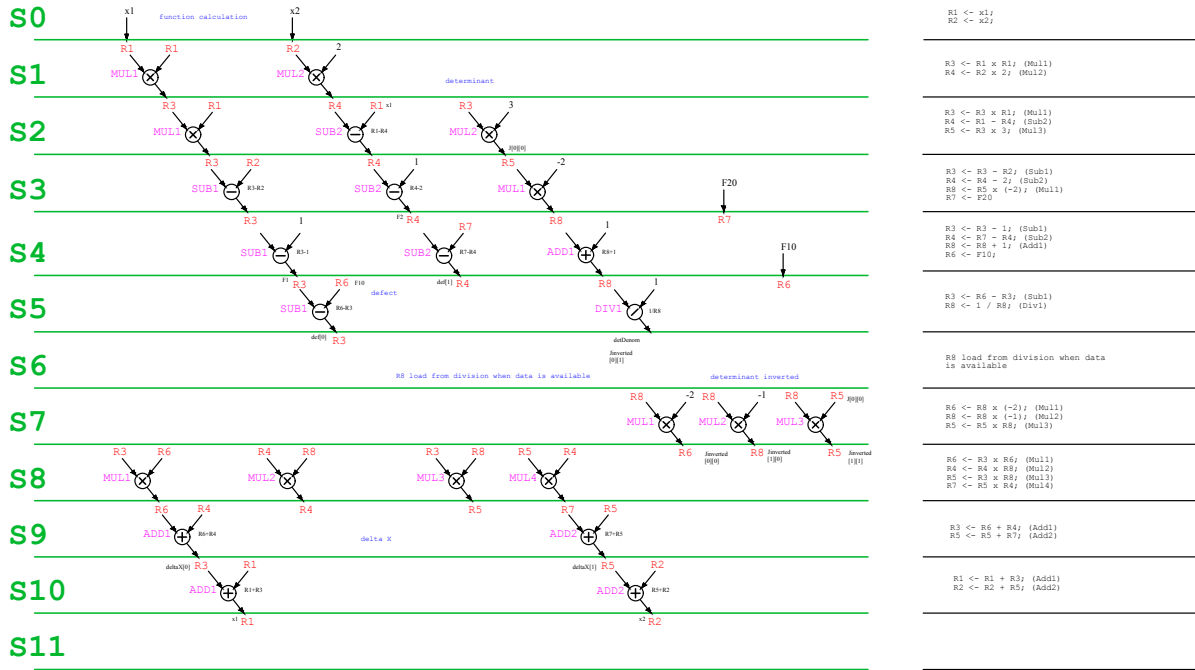


Figure 5 - 2 Allocation and timing diagram for the Data Path Unit part of the simple (NR) module.

5.2.3 Data Path Unit

The Data path unit for this simple NR algorithm consists of four multipliers, two adders, two subtractors and one divider. The divider is implemented using the Division Unit, presented in the section *Calculating the division of fixed point numbers*. Upon completion of the algorithm the results for x_1 and x_2 are saved in the R1 and R2, the state transitions to S11 and signal *done* is set to 1. The results then can be driven to another module or unit for further usage.

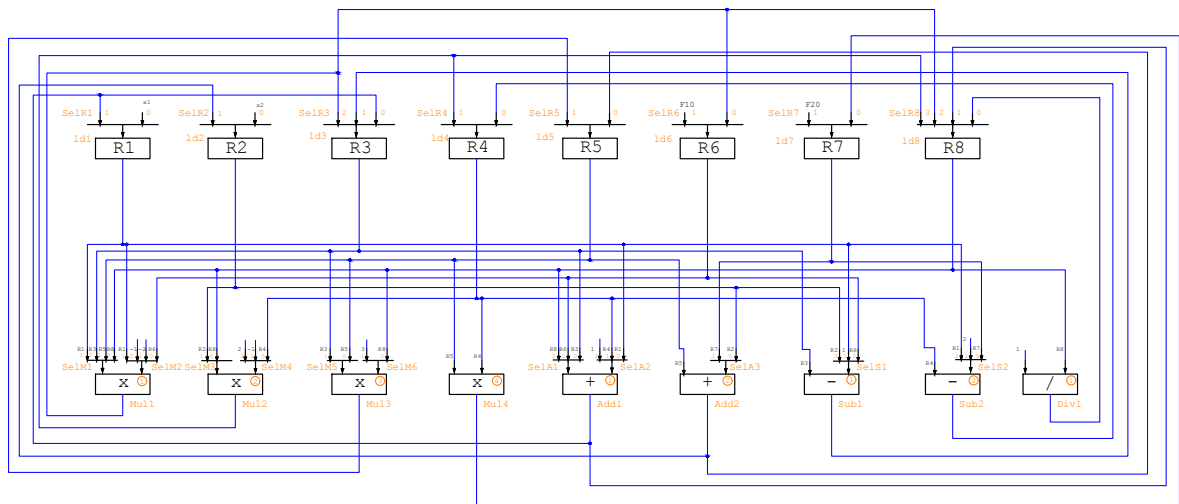


Figure 5 - 3 Register Transfer Level (RTL) scheme of the Data Path Unit part of the simple Newton-Raphson (NR) calculation IP.

5.2.4 Control Unit

The Table 5 - 1 shows encoding of a control signal for the Data Path unit.

The NR algorithm iteration transitions from the state *S10* to state *S1* when the iteration count is lower than the predetermined total number of iterations, value which is set in the Control Unit during the design phase. In this particular implementation, the total number of iterations is set to 5. It is worth noting that sometimes the termination of the NR algorithm is determined by the value of a defect. However, in this implementation the defect-check is not implemented.

Implementation of a defect-controlled algorithm would be straightforward. The values from registers holding the defect values, R3 and R4, would be connected to the control unit in the steps *S4* and *S5* respectively, and a comparison with the reference defect value would be executed. If the defect value was smaller than the reference value, the algorithm would transition to the state *S11* and therefore the calculation would end. Conversely, if the defect was larger than the reference value, the next state would be *S6* and the iteration would proceed normally, transitioning from state *S10* to *S1*.

Table 5 - 1 Control signal encoding table for instructions to be processed by the simple Newton-Raphson (NR) algorithm solve Module.

State	WFL Code	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	CS
S0	R1 ← x1; R2 ← x2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36'3C000000
S1	R3 ← R1 × R2 (1) R4 ← R2 × 2 (2)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	36'3A200000
S2	R3 ← R1 × R2 (1) R4 ← R1 - R4 (2) R5 ← R3 × 3 (3)	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	36'3A20C002
S3	R3 ← R1 - R2 (1) R6 ← R6 - 2 (2) R5 ← R3 × (23) (3) R7 ← F200	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	36'3A310000
S4	R3 ← R3 - 1 (1) R4 ← R7 - R4 (2) R5 ← R5 + 1 (3) R6 ← F200	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	36'3A5120044
S5	R6 ← R6 - R5 (1) R9 ← 1 - R6 (1)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36'3A2100000
S6	R3 load from memory where data is available R6 ← R9 × (2) (1) R7 ← R9 × (1) (2) R5 ← R5 × R6 (3)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36'31000000
S7	R6 ← R3 × R6 (1) R4 ← R4 × R6 (2) R5 ← R3 × R6 (3) R7 ← R3 × R6 (4)	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36'3100C000
S8	R3 ← R4 + R4 (1) R5 ← R5 + R5 (2) R6 ← R3 × R6 (3) R7 ← R5 × R6 (4)	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	36'32000000
S9	R3 ← R3 + R3 (1) R5 ← R5 + R5 (2) R6 ← R3 × R6 (3) R7 ← R5 × R6 (4)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36'3C000000
S10	R3 ← R3 + R3 (1) R5 ← R5 + R5 (2) R6 ← R3 × R6 (3) R7 ← R5 × R6 (4)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36'3C000000
S11		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36'3C000000

5.3 Simulation results

The test bench for simulation was made using Cocotb [1] with the Verilator [2] as a simulator. The results of the calculation may be seen in the registers R1 and R2. The results are $x_1 = -0.707489$ and $x_2 = -1.353759$.

The clock signal frequency in simulation was set to 20 MHz.

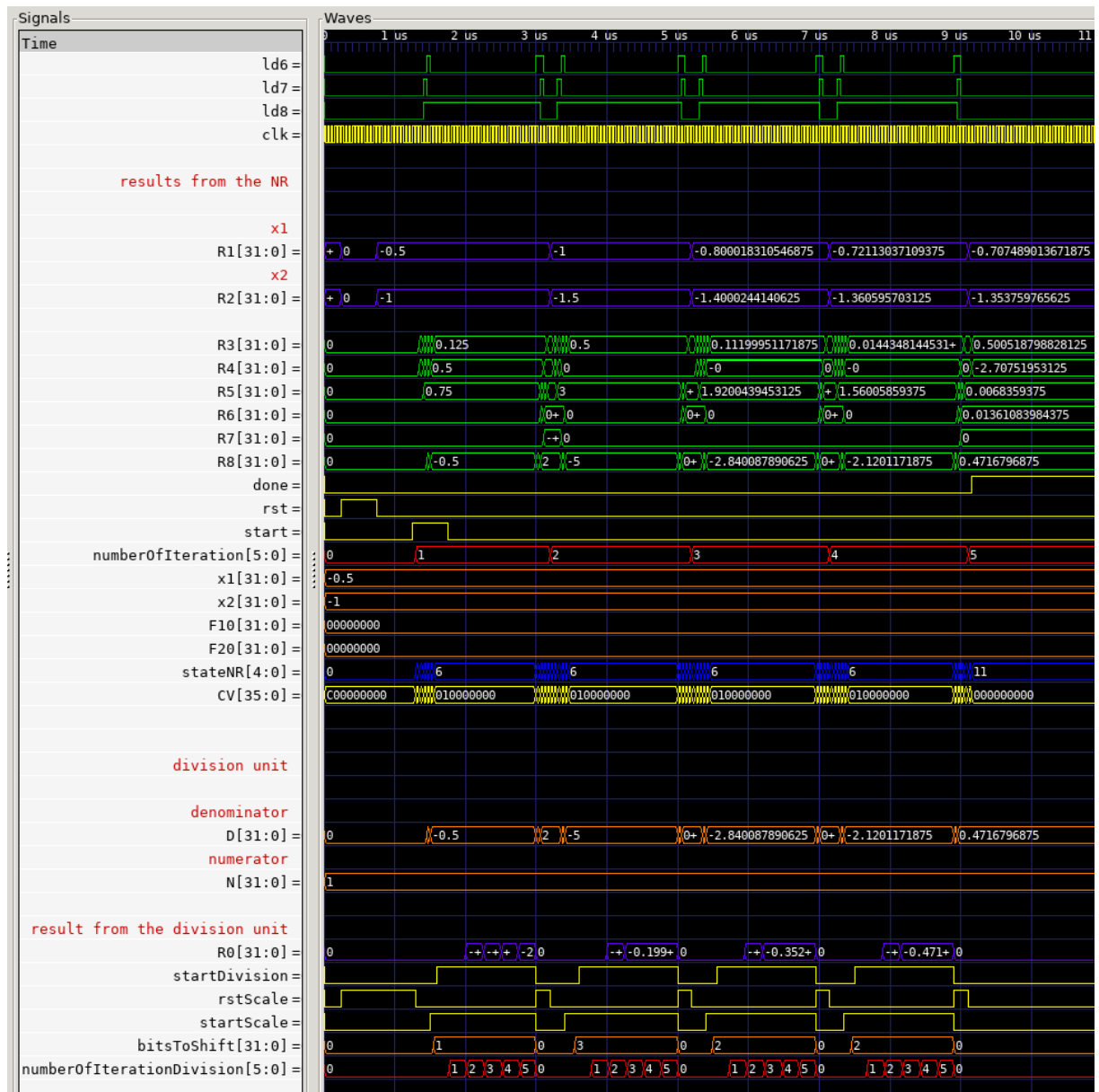


Figure 5 - 4 The whole Verilog simulation of a simple Newton-Raphson (NR) algorithm. The result may be seen in registers R1 and R2 after the fifth iteration of the algorithm.

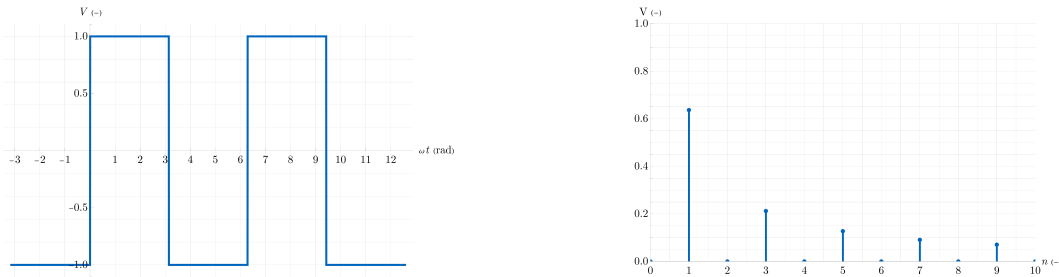
6 Selective Harmonic Elimination

6.1 Theory

The original theory for Selective Harmonic Elimination was initially developed in [8, 9] and later adopted by numerous researchers for various voltage inverter topologies. Currently, the strategy is primarily employed in traction applications after start up state ends and the reference voltage for the drive is high enough so the six step output voltage is utilized. However, the general six step output signal produces high-order harmonics. When the motor is powered by these high-order voltage harmonics, the current with high-order harmonics (excluding triplen harmonics, considering the symmetric 3 phase motor) is observed. These current harmonics result in undesirable current ripple, torque ripple and losses [10], thereby decreasing the efficiency of the drive.

To control the output voltage and reduce unwanted harmonics, the Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE) technique can be employed. The elimination is based on generating the output voltage by switching components at certain phase angles, thereby generating waveform with a number of pulses, to correspond the number of eliminated harmonics. The calculation which angles to use is based on the calculation of fourier coefficients. These equations, derived from the original principle, have been adapted for different types of converters, including multilevel, H-bridge converters or generic Voltage Source Inverters (VSI). In this paper, the regular two level VSI is considered.

The considered inverter phase voltage six-step waveform is depicted in Figure 6 - 1a, while the harmonic analysis of the generic waveform is depicted in Figure 6 - 1b. It's worth noting that in a three-phase symmetrical system, the triplen harmonics are also eliminated.



(a) Generic Six-Step Waveform output of a two level Voltage Source Inverter. The Voltage value is normalized to a DC link voltage.

(b) Generic Six-Step Waveform harmonics analysis. The Voltage value is normalized to a DC link voltage.

Figure 6 - 1

As previously mentioned, the SHE method is based on a Fourier coefficient analysis. When the odd quarter-wave symmetry of the waveform is assumed, the a_n Fourier coefficient is zero (as mentioned in the Equation 6 - 1), whereas the b_n coefficient may be written as Equation 6 - 2.

$$a_n = 0, \quad (6 - 1)$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T x(n\omega t) \sin(\omega t) d\omega t, \quad (6 - 2)$$

where the T is signal periode, $x(\omega t)$ description of the VSI output voltage waveform and n is the order of the harmonics.

When assuming quarter-wave symmetry the Equation 6 - 2 may be rewritten as

$$b_n = \frac{8}{T} \int_0^{T/4} x(\omega t) \sin(n\omega t) d\omega t = \frac{8}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/4} x(\omega t) \sin(n\omega t) d\omega t = \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} x(\omega t) \sin(n\omega t) d\omega t. \quad (6 - 3)$$

The function $x(\omega t)$ represents the normalized output voltage pulse in relation to a DC link voltage. The Equation 6 - 2 can be reformulated by substituting ωt with the angle α , which also characterizes the output waveform in terms of radians. The function $x(\alpha)$ yields 1 when the output voltage pulse is positive and -1 when negative. The reformulated Equation 6 - 2, assuming quarter-wave symmetry, is then as follows:

$$b_n = \sum_{k=1}^M \frac{8}{T} \int_{\alpha_k}^{\alpha_{k+1}} x(\alpha) \sin(n\alpha) d\alpha. \quad (6 - 4)$$

Here M represents number of pulses in half period of the output signal. Assuming that the integral is calculated for angles where $x(\alpha_k)$ is either 1 or -1 , the function may be replaced by a constant. As a result, the integral calculation becomes straightforward.

$$b_n = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^M \frac{1}{n} [-\cos(n\alpha)]_{\alpha_k}^{\alpha_{k+1}} = \frac{4}{\pi n} \sum_{k=1}^M [\cos(n\alpha_k) - \cos(n\alpha_{k+1})]. \quad (6 - 5)$$

The Equation 6 - 5 can be further simplified by observing the results of the summation for $M = 2$.

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{4}{\pi n} \sum_{k=1}^2 [\cos(n\alpha_k) - \cos(n\alpha_{k+1})] = \frac{4}{\pi n} [(\cos(n\alpha_1) - \cos(n\alpha_2)) + (\cos(n\alpha_2) - \cos(n\alpha_3))] = \\ &= \frac{4}{\pi n} (\cos(n\alpha_1) - \cos(n\alpha_3)). \end{aligned} \quad (6 - 6)$$

According to [8] and the example calculation for $M = 2$, the further simplification of the Equation 6 - 5 is Equation 6 - 7.

$$b_n = \frac{4}{\pi n} \sum_{k=1}^M (-1)^{k+1} \cos(n\alpha_k). \quad (6 - 7)$$

It can be said, that the number of eliminated odd harmonics is $N = M - 1$.

To maintain clarity of this paper only the 5th harmonics is being eliminated by the designed unit. The set of equations required to eliminate this harmonic is as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= b_1 = \frac{4}{\pi} [\cos(\alpha_1) - \cos(\alpha_2)], \\ V_5 &= b_5 = \frac{4}{5\pi} [\cos(5\alpha_1) - \cos(5\alpha_2)]. \end{aligned} \quad (6 - 8)$$

The amplitudes of the 1st and 5th harmonics are denoted as $V_1 = b_1$ and $V_5 = b_5$, respectively. For the elimination of the 5th harmonic, it is required that $b_5 = 0$. Consequently, the set of Equations 6 - 8 can be simplified as set of Equations 6 - 9.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{4V_1}{\pi} &= \cos(\alpha_1) - \cos(\alpha_2), \\ 0 &= \cos(5\alpha_1) - \cos(5\alpha_2).\end{aligned}\tag{6 - 9}$$

Solving the nonlinear Equations 6 - 9 is not straightforward. Barious methods can be employed for solving the problem, such as Genetic Algorithms [11, 12, 13] or algebraic methods [14, 15]. One commonly used algebraic method is Newton-Raphson (NR) algorithm [16]. In this paper, the solution is obtained solely using NR algorithm. However, it's worth noting that the success of this method depends on setting the initial conditions correctly; otherwise, a solution may not be found. In contrast, Genetic Algorithms also require setting initial values, but they often use random numbers from predefined intervals.

In real-time systems, the approach for solving the SHE equations may often be to precalculate the required switching angles offline and the utilize the LUT in a microprocessor to determine which set of angles use for the set reference voltage. Nowadays the FPGAs are more frequently utilized to calculate the solution. The calculation can be highly paralelized and optimized, enabling the solution to be obtained in near real-time. In the following sections the prototype implementation in Python and final implementaion in Verilog are presented.

6.2 Simplification for Verilog and High level implementation

When implementing the solution in computational software like Wolfram Mathematica, optimizing the algorithm is unnecessary. However, when implementing the algorithm to an FPGA, higher-level constructs are not automatically available, so the simplification is necessary. Before creating the Verilog design, it is suitable, for clarity and prototyping purposes, to implement the algorithm in Python. In this section, the simplified algorithm of a NR aglorithm is presented.

The set of equations for eliminating the 5th harmonics may be formulated as

$$\begin{aligned}F_1^i &= \cos(\alpha_1) - \cos(\alpha_2), \\ F_2^i &= \cos(5\alpha_1) - \cos(5\alpha_2), \\ \text{where } F_1^0 &= m \frac{\pi}{4}, F_2^0 = 0.\end{aligned}\tag{6 - 10}$$

Where $m = V_1/V_{DC}$ is modulation index.

Thus the Jacobian matrix is

$$\mathbf{J}^i = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\alpha_1^i) & \sin(\alpha_2^i) \\ -5\sin(5\alpha_1^i) & 5\sin(5\alpha_2^i) \end{pmatrix}.\tag{6 - 11}$$

Where i is the index of the iteration of the algorithm. The inverted Jacobian matrix is needed for further calculations.

$$\mathbf{J}^{-1,i} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{5\sin(5\alpha_2^i)}{5\sin(5\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i) - 5\sin(\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i)} & -\frac{\sin(\alpha_2^i)}{5\sin(5\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i) - 5\sin(\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i)} \\ \frac{5\sin(\alpha_1^i)}{5\sin(5\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i) - 5\sin(\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i)} & -\frac{\sin(\alpha_1^i)}{5\sin(5\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i) - 5\sin(\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i)} \end{pmatrix}.\tag{6 - 12}$$

From the inverted Jacobian matrix in Equation 6 - 12, it is evident that it can be easily calculated by dividing corresponding components of Jacobian matrix by the determinant, expressed as

$$\det(\mathbf{J}) = 5\sin(5\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i) - 5\sin(\alpha_1^i)\sin(\alpha_2^i).\tag{6 - 13}$$

Next, the defect ΔF^i can be calculated

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta F_1^i &= F_1^0 - F_1^i, \\ \Delta F_2^i &= F_2^0 - F_2^i.\end{aligned}\tag{6 - 14}$$

After the successfully calculated defect of a current iteration, the $\Delta \alpha^i$ may be calculated.

$$\Delta \alpha^i = \mathbf{J}^{-1,i} \Delta \mathbf{F}^i,\tag{6 - 15}$$

thus rewritten in components notation which is more suitable for the Verilog implementation

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \alpha_1^i &= \mathbf{J}_{00}^{-1,i} \Delta F_1^i + \mathbf{J}_{01}^{-1,i} \Delta F_2^i, \\ \Delta \alpha_2^i &= \mathbf{J}_{10}^{-1,i} \Delta F_1^i + \mathbf{J}^{-1,i} \Delta F_2^i.\end{aligned}\tag{6 - 16}$$

Finally the next iteration values of α_1^i and α_2^i may be calculated

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_1^{i+1} &= \alpha_1^i + \Delta \alpha_1^i, \\ \alpha_2^{i+1} &= \alpha_2^i + \Delta \alpha_2^i.\end{aligned}\tag{6 - 17}$$

With the newly calculated values of α_1^i , α_2^i the algorithm may proceed with a new iteration ($i + 1$) for calculating the F_1^{i+1} and F_2^{i+1} values.

It is important to note, that for the NR algorithm to function correctly and yield viable results, suitable initial values F_1^0 and F_2^0 must be carefully chosen before the algorithm starts.

When eliminating the 5th harmonic with $m = 1$, the initial values of $F_2^0 = 0.08726$ rad and $F_2^0 = 1.3439$ rad yield satisfactory results.

The presented mathematical algorithm can then be transformed into an FPGA designed Verilog algorithm, visually represented as a block diagram in the section *Algorithm Block Design*.

6.3 High level implementation

The script allows changing the modulation index m at the beginning of the Python simulation. This feature enables generation of values that can be compared with results obtained from Verilog/cocotb and Verilator simulation of the hardware-implemented algorithm.

The script may be run with command "`python3 she.py -mi <number>`", where `<number>` is the requested modulation index.

```
1 import math
2 import argparse # for parsing command line arguments
3
4 # colorama for colors, easier than init class, maybe later
5 # source: https://github.com/tartley/colorama
6 from colorama import init as colorama_init
7 from colorama import Fore
8 from colorama import Style
9
10 colorama_init(autoreset=True) # autoreset color on new line
11
12 # class with additional styles
```

```

13 class style:
14     BOLD = '\033[1m'
15     UNDERLINE = '\033[4m'
16     END = '\033[0m'
17
18 argParser = argparse.ArgumentParser() # new object
19 argParser.add_argument("-mi", "--modulationIndex", help="set the modulation
    index 0-1") # adding argument
20 args = argParser.parse_args() # parsing args
21 modulationIndex = args.modulationIndex
22
23 # Set the desired modulation index
24 if not modulationIndex:
25     print()
26     print(style.BOLD+Fore.RED + "You did not specify the modulation index
    with mi command, specify it now:\n" + style.END)
27     modulationIndex = input()
28
29 print("You have specified the modulation index: " + modulationIndex + ".\n"
    )
30
31 modulationIndex = float(modulationIndex)
32 totalNumberOfIterations = 10
33 f10 = modulationIndex * 0.7853981 # modulationIndex * pi/4
34 f20 = 0
35 x10 = 0.0872664 # 5 degree
36 x20 = 1.3439035 # 77 degree
37
38 x1 = x10
39 x2 = x20
40
41 # main NR-LOOP
42 for numberOfIteration in range(totalNumberOfIterations):
43     prepDeltaF1 = math.cos(x1) - math.cos(x2)
44     deltaF1 = f10 - prepDeltaF1
45
46     prepDeltaF2 = math.cos(5*x1) - math.cos(5*x2)
47     deltaF2 = f20 - prepDeltaF2
48
49     prepJ11 = math.sin(x1)
50     prepJ01 = math.sin(x2)
51     prepJ10 = 5 * math.sin(5*x1)
52     prepJ00 = 5 * math.sin(5*x2)
53
54
55     prepDet1 = prepJ10 * prepJ01
56     prepDet2 = 5 * prepJ11 * math.sin(5*x2)
57

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58     prepDet = prepDet1 - prepDet2
59
60     divDet = 1 / prepDet
61
62     jInv00 = divDet * prepJ00
63     jInv01 = divDet * - prepJ01
64     jInv10 = divDet * prepJ10
65     jInv11 = divDet * - prepJ11
66
67
68     deltaX1 = (jInv00 * deltaF1) + (jInv01 * deltaF2)
69     deltaX2 = (jInv10 * deltaF1) + (jInv11 * deltaF2)
70
71     x1 = x1 + deltaX1
72     x2 = x2 + deltaX2
73
74     print(Fore.CYAN + "numberOfIteration: " + str(numberOfIteration) +
75           style.END)
76 # End of the main NR-LOOP
77
77 print(Fore.GREEN + "x1: " + str(x1) + style.END)
78 print(Fore.GREEN + "x2: " + str(x2) + style.END)

```

Code 6 - 1 Python implementation of the Selective Harmonic Elimination Algorithm with adjustable modulation index.

6.4 IP Block Design

6.4.1 Algorithm Block Diagram

The Figure 6 - 2 presents the hardware-implementation for SHE algorithm, mathematically expressed in the section *Simplification for Verilog and High level implementation*.

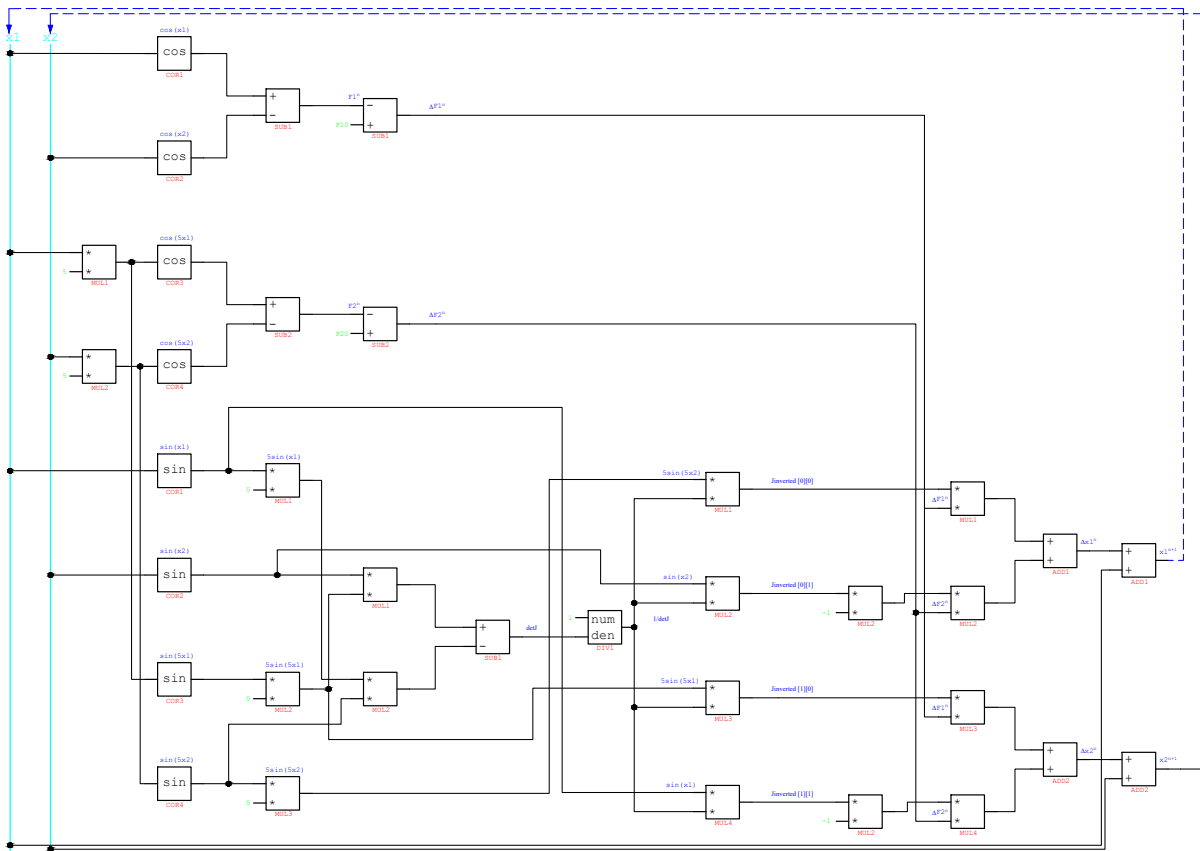


Figure 6- 2 Block Diagram of the Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE) using Newton-Raphson algorithm. Design suitable for hardware implementation.

6.4.2 Top module design

The top module of this IP closely resembles other developed modules in this paper. The design consists of a Control Unit which sends control signals to the Data Unit. The Data Unit, which includes registers and computational units, incorporates few external sub-modules for additional calculations, such as CORDIC and division.

Consistent with every design presented, the units utilize the $Q32.15$ fixed point format for the computational units and registers. The exception is the multiplier computational units, which, by the principle of multiplication, use the $Q64.30$ format for results. When the multiplication results are transferred to registers, the values are rounded back to the globally used format.

The design is depicted in Figure 6 - 3.

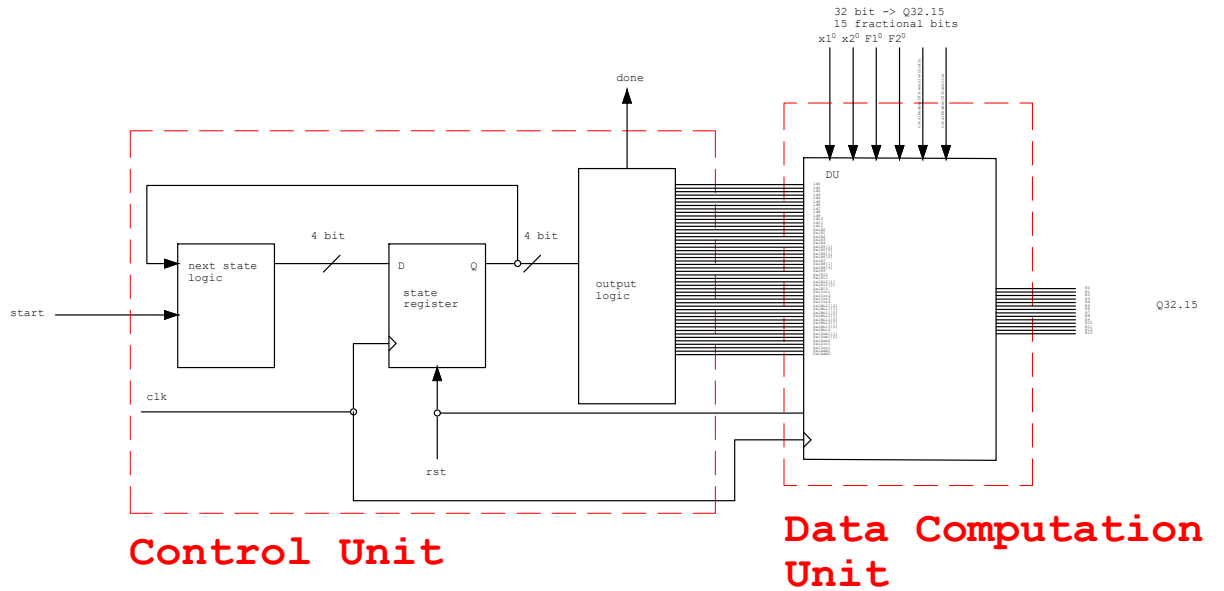


Figure 6 - 3 Top module design for the Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE).

6.4.3 Allocation and Timing

The Allocation and Timing diagram, depicted in Figure 6 - 4 outlines the algorithm presented in the *Theory* section. As evident from previous sections, this algorithm has been thoroughly tested before Verilog implementation.

The Verilog implementation comprises a total of 13 states, labeled $S0-S12$. Through states $S1-S11$, the NR algorithm iterates to calculate the final results. The state $S0$ is a starting state after resetting the unit, and state $S12$ is the ending state reached after the successful calculation of the last algorithm iteration.

As previously stated, the SHE calculation module consists of various submodules, which may use other iterative algorithms. Iterations of these submodule algorithms are not in focus of this section and are implicitly accepted as a part of the SHE module algorithm.

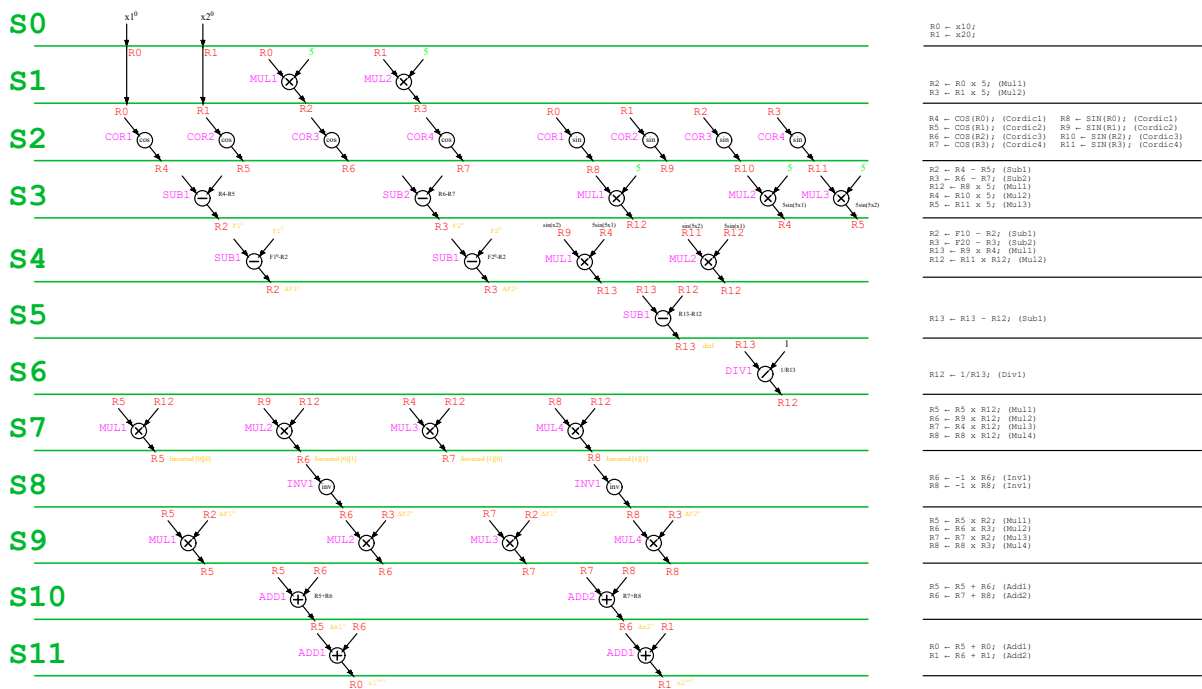


Figure 6 - 4 Allocation and Timing diagram for the Data Path Unit part of Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE) module.

6.4.4 Data Path Unit

As can be observed from the Figure 6 - 5 the Data Path unit for solving the transcendental equations is more complex than previously presented units. Obviously the design could be further simplified, i.e., reduce the number of registers and calculation units. This simplification would result in a trade of speed for less complexity. The less complex the design, the less FPGA resources, i.e., LUTs, is needed for the realization of the design. This paper mainly focuses on speed and clarity, so the design consists of thirteen data registers, four CORDIC units, four multiplication units, two adders, two subtractors, one division unit and one inverter unit, which is implemented directly in the registers logic.

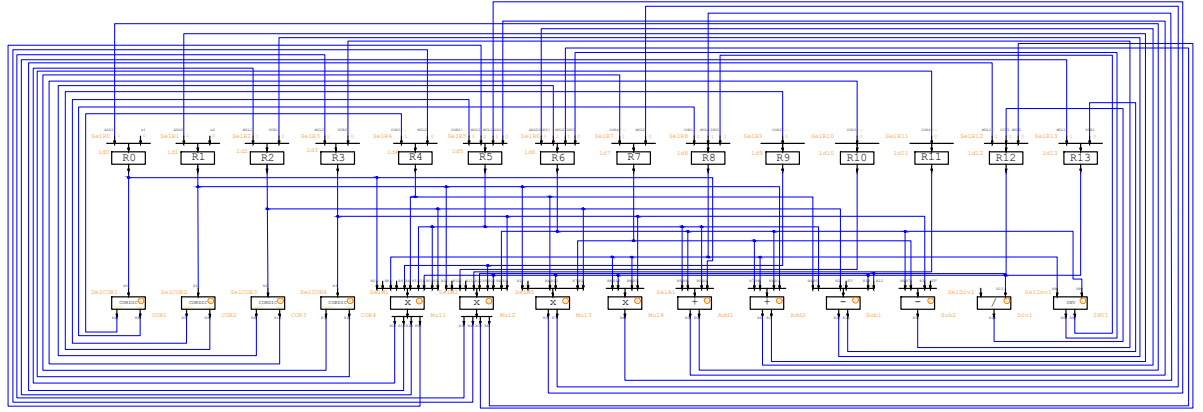


Figure 6 - 5 Register transfer level (RTL) scheme of the Selective Harmonic Elimination Data Path Unit.

6.4.5 Control Unit

Control unit signal specification can be observed in the Table 6 - 1. If the unit design was less complex, i.e., with smaller amount of registers, the control signal length would be smaller, but the number of states would be higher.

Table 6 - 1 Control signal encoding table for instructions to be processed by the Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE) algorithm solve Module.

Inst	Inst Code	α ₁	α ₂	α ₃	α ₄	α ₅	α ₆	α ₇	α ₈	α ₉	α ₁₀	α ₁₁	α ₁₂	α ₁₃	α ₁₄	α ₁₅	α ₁₆	α ₁₇	α ₁₈	α ₁₉	α ₂₀	α ₂₁	α ₂₂	α ₂₃	α ₂₄	α ₂₅	α ₂₆	α ₂₇	α ₂₈	α ₂₉	α ₃₀	α ₃₁	α ₃₂	α ₃₃	α ₃₄	α ₃₅	α ₃₆	α ₃₇	α ₃₈	α ₃₉	α ₄₀	α ₄₁	α ₄₂	α ₄₃	α ₄₄	α ₄₅	α ₄₆	α ₄₇	α ₄₈	α ₄₉	α ₅₀	α ₅₁	α ₅₂	α ₅₃	α ₅₄	α ₅₅	α ₅₆	α ₅₇	α ₅₈	α ₅₉	α ₆₀	α ₆₁	α ₆₂	α ₆₃	α ₆₄	α ₆₅	α ₆₆	α ₆₇	α ₆₈	α ₆₉	α ₇₀	α ₇₁	α ₇₂	α ₇₃	α ₇₄	α ₇₅	α ₇₆	α ₇₇	α ₇₈	α ₇₉	α ₈₀	α ₈₁	α ₈₂	α ₈₃	α ₈₄	α ₈₅	α ₈₆	α ₈₇	α ₈₈	α ₈₉	α ₉₀	α ₉₁	α ₉₂	α ₉₃	α ₉₄	α ₉₅	α ₉₆	α ₉₇	α ₉₈	α ₉₉	α ₁₀₀	α ₁₀₁	α ₁₀₂	α ₁₀₃	α ₁₀₄	α ₁₀₅	α ₁₀₆	α ₁₀₇	α ₁₀₈	α ₁₀₉	α ₁₁₀	α ₁₁₁	α ₁₁₂	α ₁₁₃	α ₁₁₄	α ₁₁₅	α ₁₁₆	α ₁₁₇	α ₁₁₈	α ₁₁₉	α ₁₂₀	α ₁₂₁	α ₁₂₂	α ₁₂₃	α ₁₂₄	α ₁₂₅	α ₁₂₆	α ₁₂₇	α ₁₂₈	α ₁₂₉	α ₁₃₀	α ₁₃₁	α ₁₃₂	α ₁₃₃	α ₁₃₄	α ₁₃₅	α ₁₃₆	α ₁₃₇	α ₁₃₈	α ₁₃₉	α ₁₄₀	α ₁₄₁	α ₁₄₂	α ₁₄₃	α ₁₄₄	α ₁₄₅	α ₁₄₆	α ₁₄₇	α ₁₄₈	α ₁₄₉	α ₁₅₀	α ₁₅₁	α ₁₅₂	α ₁₅₃	α ₁₅₄	α ₁₅₅	α ₁₅₆	α ₁₅₇	α ₁₅₈	α ₁₅₉	α ₁₆₀	α ₁₆₁	α ₁₆₂	α ₁₆₃	α ₁₆₄	α ₁₆₅	α ₁₆₆	α ₁₆₇	α ₁₆₈	α ₁₆₉	α ₁₇₀	α ₁₇₁	α ₁₇₂	α ₁₇₃	α ₁₇₄	α ₁₇₅	α ₁₇₆	α ₁₇₇	α ₁₇₈	α ₁₇₉	α ₁₈₀	α ₁₈₁	α ₁₈₂	α 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6.5 Simulation results

The end of simulation with result of SHE algorithm after the 10th NR algorithm can be seen in Figure 6 - 8. The whole simulation run is depicted in the Figure 6 - 9.

The clock signal frequency in simulation was set to 25 MHz to emulate low cost FPGA capabilities.

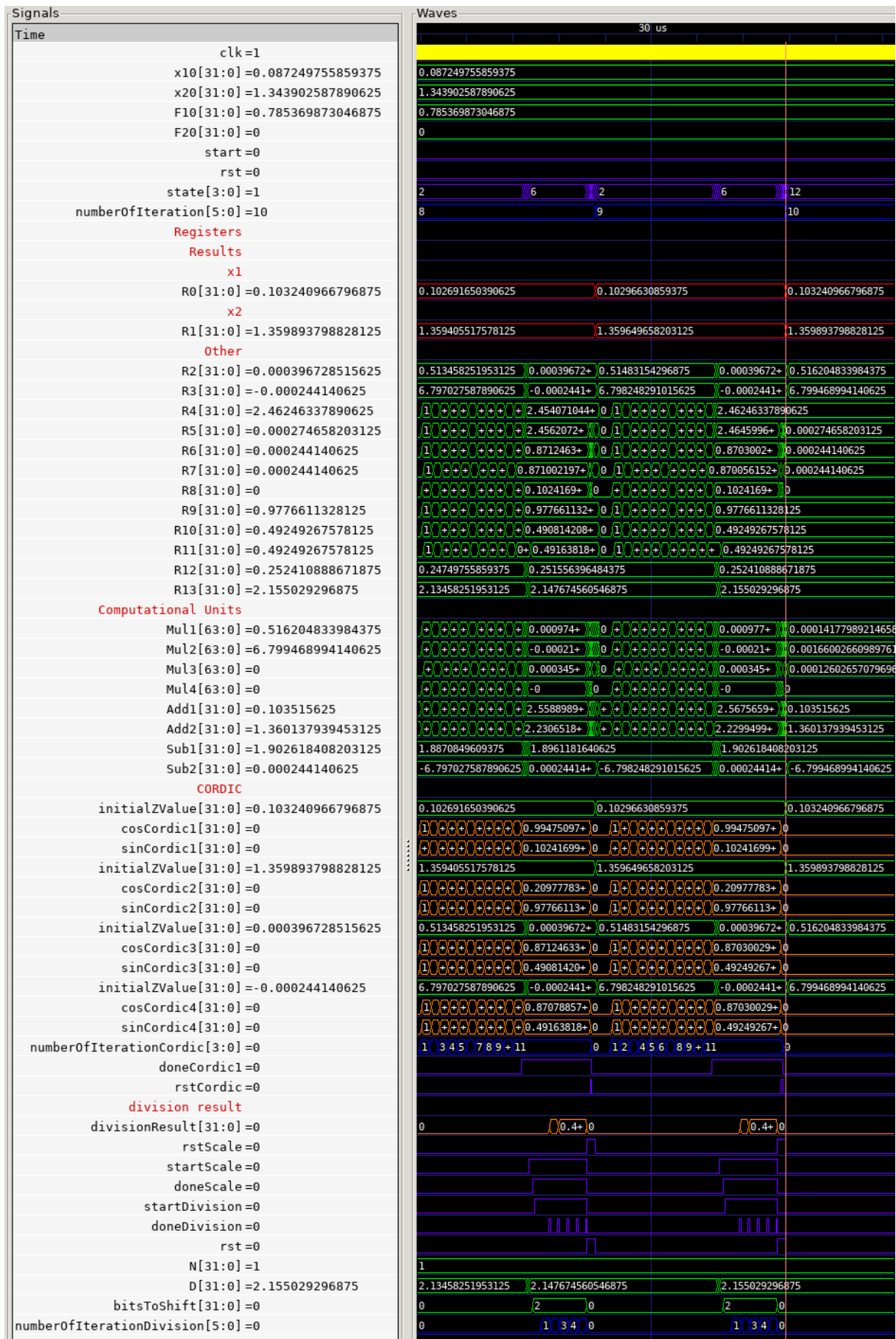


Figure 6 - 8 The ending part of a Verilog simulation of Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE) algorithm. The result are in registers R0 and R1.

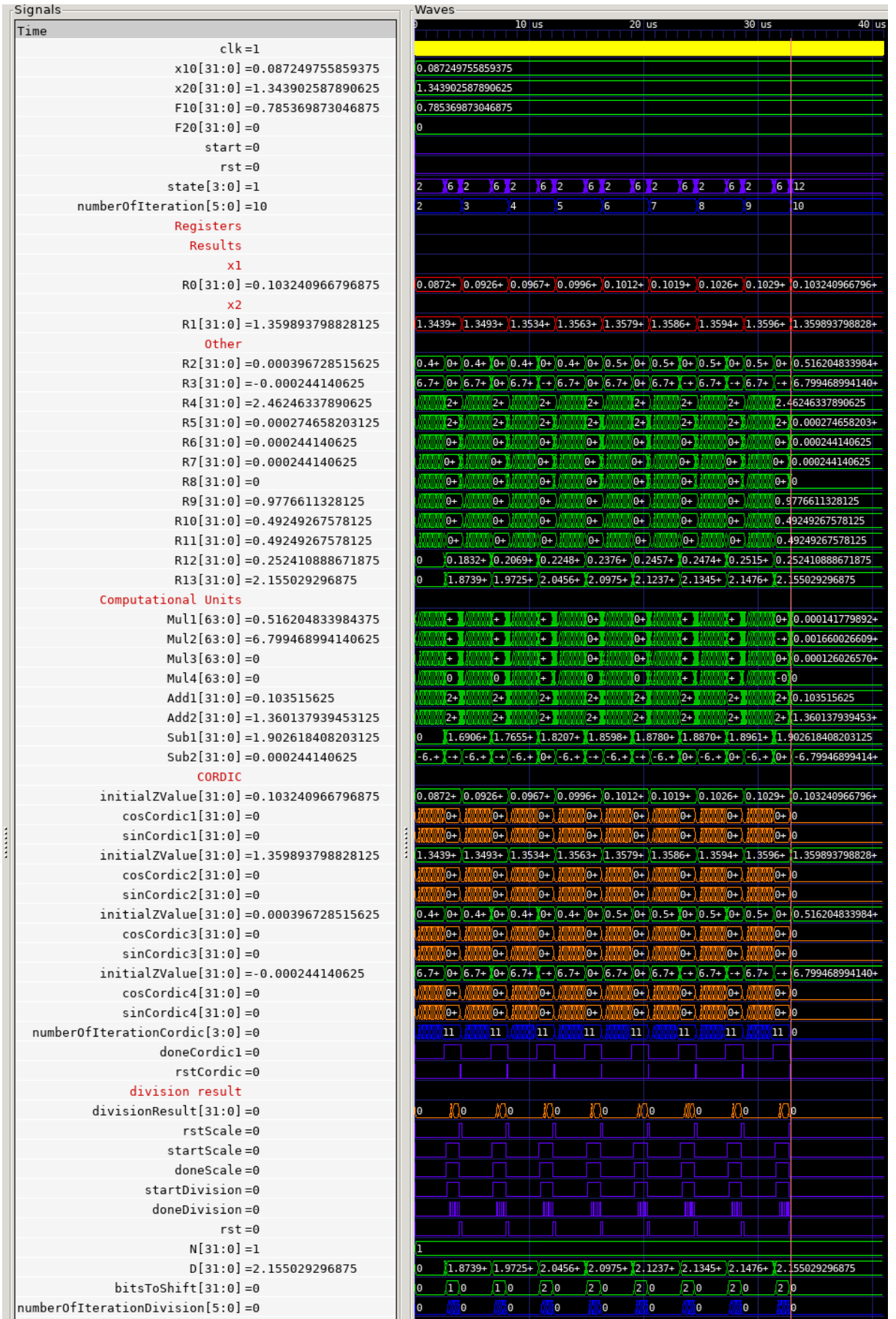


Figure 6 - 9 The whole Verilog simulation of Selective Harmonic Elimination (SHE) algorithm. The result are in registers R0 and R1.

Conclusion

This paper introduces FPGA module designed for solving the SHE algorithm in near real-time. The module comprises two additional submodules, both discussed in this paper. These submodules include units for calculating the division of two arbitrary values and a CORDIC unit suitable for calculating *sine* and *cosine* functions.

The primary objective of this paper was to design speed-optimized modules capable of near real-time calculations. The outcomes of this paper could serve as a starting point for future research in designing modules for controlling electric drives or creating Hardware-in-Loop Systems.

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Appendix A: List of and Abbreviations

A.1 List of abbreviations

CORDIC	Coordinate Rotation Digital Computer
CPU	Central Processing Unit
DC	Direct Current
FOSS	Free and open-source software
FPGA	Field Programmable Gate Array
FSM	Finite State Machine
IP	Intellectual property
ISA	Instruction Set Architecture
LUT	Look Up Table
NR	Newton Raphson
RTL	Register Transfer Level
SHE	Selective Harmonic Elimination
VSI	Voltage Source Converter