## **LIST OF HLS BENCHMARKS**

#### 1) CONVOLUTIONAL LAYER (IN CNN)

Ref: A. Sengupta and R. Chaurasia, "Secured Convolutional Layer IP Core in Convolutional Neural Network Using Facial Biometric," IEEE Transactions on Consumer Electronics, vol. 68, no. 3, pp. 291-306, 2022.

The image processing applications such as detection of curves, edges and objects, exploit filter/kernel (let say of size m×n) and generate convolved or filtered image. Further, process of designing secured convolutional layer IP core is presented here. Suppose an input image is of size P×Q (size of the input matrix is P×Q) where each pixel value is denoted by A<sub>ii</sub> (i and j varying from 0 to P-1 and Q-1 respectively).

$$\begin{bmatrix} I \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & A_{01} & A_{02} & L & A_{0(Q-1)} \\ A_{10} & A_{11} & A_{12} & L & A_{1(Q-1)} \\ A_{20} & A_{21} & A_{22} & L & A_{2(Q-1)} \\ M & M & M & O & M \\ A_{(P-1)0} & A_{(P-1)1} & A_{(P-1)2} & L & A_{(P-1)(Q-1)} \end{pmatrix}_{P\times Q}$$
 Where, 'A' represents the intensity value corresponding to the pixels of input image. Further, a generic kernel/filter matrix of size m×n is denoted by [H]\_{max}. In case of 3×3 size filters for curve detection, three kernel matrices [H] of

matrix of size m×n is denoted by [H]<sub>mxn</sub>. In case of 3×3 size filters for curve detection, three kernel matrices [H] of size 3×3 are represented as follows:

$$[H_1] = \begin{pmatrix} h_{00}^1 & h_{01}^1 & h_{02}^1 \\ h_{10}^1 & h_{11}^1 & h_{12}^1 \\ h_{20}^1 & h_{21}^1 & h_{22}^2 \end{pmatrix}_{3\times 3}$$
 
$$[H_2] = \begin{pmatrix} h_{00}^2 & h_{01}^2 & h_{02}^2 \\ h_{10}^2 & h_{21}^2 & h_{22}^2 \end{pmatrix}_{3\times 3}$$
 
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$$[H_3] = \begin{pmatrix} h_{$$

represented by  $h_{pq}^t$ Where 'p, q' varies from 0 to 2 and 't' denotes kernel/filter number.

In the proposed convolutional layer IP core, 'same convolution' is performed. In order to perform same convolution', the size of input matrix is augmented by adding zero-rows and zero-columns based on the following rule:

$$D = \frac{(S-1)}{2}$$

Where, 'S' is the size of kernel, i.e., S=3 for 3×3 kernels and 'D' is the number of zero rows/columns to be added on each side of input matrix (top, bottom, left and right). Therefore, post-padding size of the input matrix is increased by 2, as shown below:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{00} & A_{01} & A_{02} & L & A_{0(Q-1)} & 0 \\ 0 & A_{10} & A_{11} & A_{12} & L & A_{1(Q-1)} & 0 \\ 0 & A_{20} & A_{21} & A_{22} & L & A_{2(Q-1)} & 0 \\ 0 & M & M & M & O & M & 0 \\ 0 & A_{(P-1)0} & A_{(P-1)1} & A_{(P-1)2} & L & A_{(P-1)(Q-1)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} ,$$

Where, 'M×N' is the dimension of augmented input matrix which is equal of size (P+2)×(Q+2). Further, a generic representation of augmented matrix post applying padding using (14) is shown below:

$$[I] = \begin{pmatrix} I_{00} & I_{01} & I_{02} & L & I_{0(N-1)} \\ I_{10} & I_{11} & I_{12} & L & I_{1(N-1)} \\ I_{20} & I_{21} & I_{22} & L & I_{2(N-1)} \\ M & M & M & O & M \\ I_{(M-1)0} & I_{(M-1)1} & I_{(M-1)2} & L & I_{(M-1)(N-1)} \end{pmatrix}$$

Pixel values from this matrix are denoted by  $I_{uv}$ , where 'u' and 'v' vary from 0 to M-1 and N-1 respectively. For an input matrix (augmented) of size M×N, and for 'K' filters of size m×n, size of the feature map can be calculated using the following equation:

$$\lceil (M-m+1) \times (N-n+1) \rceil \times K$$

Further, output matrix of the same convolution between input matrix and kernel matrix is denoted by [O] whose dimension are same as that of input matrix pre-padding (i.e.,  $P \times Q$ ). Output pixel values of 2-D convolution are denoted by  $O_y^z$ , where 'y' varies from 0 to [(M-m+1)x(N-n+1)-1] and 'z' represents the number of output feature map corresponding to kernel.

Output value of each element/pixel corresponding to output feature map is denoted by  $O_y$  and is evaluated as follows:

$$O_{y} = \sum_{M, m = lower value}^{M, m = upper value} \left( \sum_{N, n = lower value}^{N, n = upper value} I_{MN} \times H_{mn} \right)$$
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In the proposed approach two sliding window of kernel matrix simultaneously convolves over input matrix to compute two-pixel outputs in parallel. Two-pixel outputs are computed as follows:

$$1^{\text{st}} \text{ output } : O_0 = \sum_{\substack{m=2\\ m=0\\ n=0}}^{M=2} \left( \sum_{\substack{n=2\\ n=2\\ n=0}}^{N=2} I_{MN} \times H_{nn} \right) \qquad \qquad 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ output } : O_1 = \sum_{\substack{m=2\\ m=0\\ n=0}}^{M=3} \left( \sum_{\substack{n=2\\ n=0\\ n=0}}^{N=2} I_{MN} \times H_{nn} \right)$$

By expanding the equation (17) to compute both output pixel values (assuming for kernel 1) will be calculated as:

$$\begin{split} O_0^l = & \left[ \left( I_{00} \times h_{00}^l \right) + \left( I_{01} \times h_{01}^l \right) + \left( I_{02} \times h_{02}^l \right) \right] + \\ & \left[ \left( I_{10} \times h_{10}^l \right) + \left( I_{11} \times h_{11}^l \right) + \left( I_{12} \times h_{12}^l \right) \right] + \\ & \left[ \left( I_{20} \times h_{20}^l \right) + \left( I_{21} \times h_{21}^l \right) + \left( I_{22} \times h_{22}^l \right) \right] \\ O_1^l = & \left[ \left( I_{01} \times h_{00}^l \right) + \left( I_{02} \times h_{01}^l \right) + \left( I_{03} \times h_{02}^l \right) \right] + \\ & \left[ \left( I_{11} \times h_{10}^l \right) + \left( I_{12} \times h_{11}^l \right) + \left( I_{13} \times h_{12}^l \right) \right] + \\ & \left[ \left( I_{21} \times h_{20}^l \right) + \left( I_{22} \times h_{21}^l \right) + \left( I_{23} \times h_{22}^l \right) \right] \end{split}$$

Where, each product term in (18) is represented as  $(I_{ab} \times h_{pq}^t)$ ; where each pixel value in the input matrix and each kernel value in kernel matrix is represented by  $I_{ab}$  and  $h_{pq}^t$  respectively. During the computation of the first two-pixel values  $O_0^1$  and  $O_1^1$  using 3×3 kernel, values of 'a' and 'p' varies

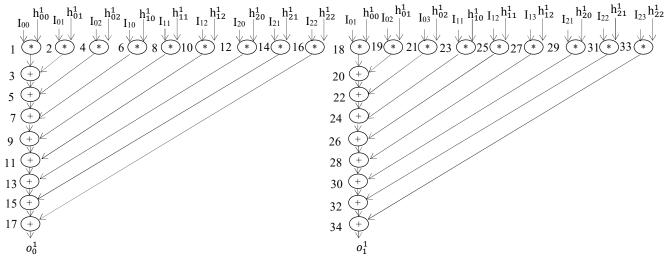


Fig. Data flow graph (DFG) of Convolutional Layer with filter kernel of size 3x3 and UF=2

#### 2) DCT BENCHMARK

**Ref:** A. Sengupta "High-Level Synthesis based Methodologies for Hardware Security, Trust and IP Protection," The Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET), 2024, ISBN-13: 978-1-83724-117-0.

**Ref:** A. Sengupta, S. P. Mohanty "IP Core Protection and Hardware-Assisted Security for Consumer Electronics", The Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET), 2019, Book ISBN: 978-1-78561-799-7, e-ISBN: 978-1-78561-800-0.

The generic equation of forward DCT can be expressed as:

$$X(m) = u(m) \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x(i) \cos\left[\frac{(2i+1)m\pi}{2N}\right]$$

In the above expression,

$$u(m) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}; for \ m = 0\\ 1: for \ m \neq 0 \end{cases}; \ m = 0, 1, ... N-1$$

x(i) is the input signal, X(m) is the output signal and N indicates number of data points. Therefore, for N=8 the first output signal X(0) can be expressed as follows:

$$X(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{8}} \sum_{i=0}^{7} x(i) \cos[0]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} x(0) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} x(1) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} x(2) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} x(3) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} x(4) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} x(5) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} x(6) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} x(7)$$

$$= 0.3536 x(0) + 0.3536 x(1) + 0.3536 x(2) + 0.3536 x(3) + 0.3536 x(4) + 0.3536 x(5)$$

$$+ 0.3536 x(6) + 0.3536 x(7)$$

Similarly, for the same data point X(1) and X(2) can be expressed as:

Fig. Output signal of 8 point DCT in the form of matrix multiplication

$$X(1) = 1\sqrt{\frac{2}{8}} \sum_{i=0}^{7} x(i) \cos\left[\frac{(2i+1)1\pi}{16}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} x(0) \cos\left[\frac{\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(1) \cos\left[\frac{3\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(2) \cos\left[\frac{5\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(3) \cos\left[\frac{7\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(4) \cos\left[\frac{9\pi}{16}\right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} x(5) \cos\left[\frac{11\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(6) \cos\left[\frac{13\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(7) \cos\left[\frac{15\pi}{16}\right]$$

$$= 0.4904 x(0) + 0.4157 x(1) + 0.2778 x(2) + 0.0975 x(3) + (-0.0975) x(4)$$

$$+ (-0.2778) x(5) + (-0.4157) x(6) + (-0.4904) x(7)$$

$$X(2) = 1\sqrt{\frac{2}{8}} \sum_{i=0}^{7} x(i) \cos\left[\frac{(2i+1)2\pi}{16}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} x(0) \cos\left[\frac{2\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(1) \cos\left[\frac{6\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(2) \cos\left[\frac{10\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(3) \cos\left[\frac{14\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(4) \cos\left[\frac{18\pi}{16}\right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} x(5) \cos\left[\frac{22\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(6) \cos\left[\frac{26\pi}{16}\right] + \frac{1}{2} x(7) \cos\left[\frac{30\pi}{16}\right]$$

$$= 0.4619 x(0) + 0.1913 x(1) + (-0.1913) x(2) + (-0.4619) x(3) + (-0.4619) x(4)$$

$$+ (-0.1913) x(5) + 0.1913 x(6) + 0.4619 x(7)$$

Similarly, X(3) to X(7) can be calculated.

We can represent this calculation in the form of matrix multiplication. Where the 8x1 output signal matrix can be derived by multiplying 8 point DCT coefficient matrix with 8x1 input signal matrix. The 8 point DCT coefficient can also be represented, where  $C_1$  to  $C_7$  indicates the DCT coefficients in ascending order ( $C_1$  indicates the maximum positive DCT coefficient value and  $C_7$  indicates the minimum positive DCT coefficient value). Based on matrix multiplication, the output signals X[0] to X[7] can be represented as:

$$X[0] = c4*x[0] + c4*x[1] + c4*x[2] + c4*x[3] + c4*x[4] + c4*x[5] + c4*x[6] + c4*x[7]$$

Fig. Another representation of output signal of 8 point DCT in the form of matrix multiplication

$$X[1] = c1 * x[0] + c3 * x[1] + c5 * x[2] + c7 * x[3] + (-c7) * x[4] + (-c5) * x[5] + (-c3) * x[6] + (-c1) * x[7]$$

$$X[2] = c2 * x[0] + c6 * x[1] + (-c6) * x[2] + (-c2) * x[3] + (-c2) * x[4] + (-c6) * x[5] + c6 * x[6] + c2 * x[7]$$

$$X[3] = c3 * x[0] + (-c7) * x[1] + (-c1) * x[2] + (-c5) * x[3] + c5 * x[4] + c1 * x[5] + c7 * x[6] + (-c3) * x[7]$$

$$X[4]=c4*x[0]+(-c4)*x[1]+(-c4)*x[2]+c4*x[3]+c4*x[4]+(-c4)*x[5]+(-c4)*x[6]+c4*x[7]$$

$$X[5] = c5*x[0] + (-c1)*x[1] + c7*x[2] + c3*x[3] + (-c3)*x[4] + (-c7)*x[5] + c1*x[6] + (-c5)*x[7]$$

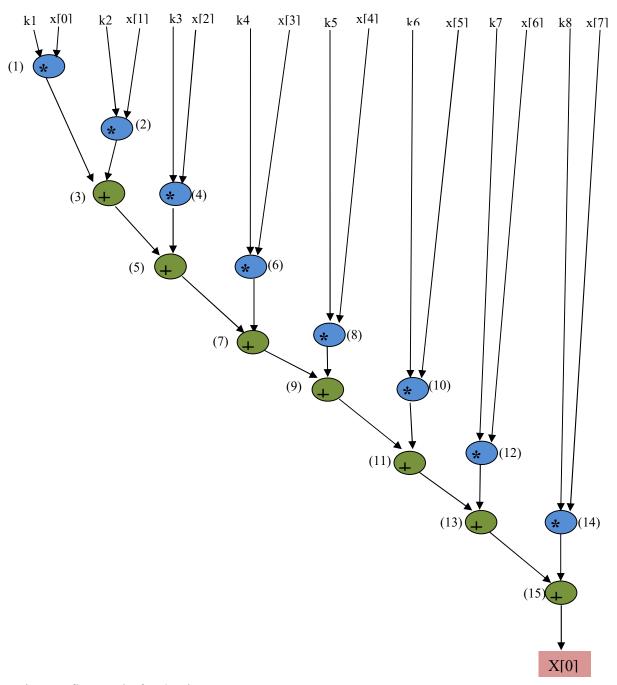


Fig. Data flow graph of an 8-point DCT

$$X[6] = c6*x[0] + (-c2)*x[1] + c2*x[2] + (-c6)*x[3] + (-c6)*x[4] + c2*x[5] + (-c2)*x[6] + c6*x[7]$$

$$X[7] = c7*x[0] + (-c5)*x[1] + c3*x[2] + (-c1)*x[3] + c1*x[4] + (-c3)*x[5] + c5*x[6] + (-c7)*x[7]$$

Generic equation of 8-Point DCT to compute 1st sample is:

$$X[0] = k1*x[0] + k2*x[1] + k3*x[2] + k4*x[3] + k5*x[4] + k6*x[5] + k7*x[6] + k8*x[7]$$

The equation of 8-Point forward DCT consists of 8 multiplication operations and 7 addition operations. The equivalent DFG of 8-Point forward DCT, where primary inputs are two types, k1 to k8 indicates DCT coefficients and x[0] to x[7] indicates input signals primary inputs, blue nodes indicate multiplication operation and green nodes indicate addition operations, corresponding operation/node number are mentioned using integer value (1 to 15) and finally the output is shown in a red box. It can be observed that all the output signal X[0] to X[7] can be computed by changing the k1

#### 3) FINITE IMPULSE RESPONSE (FIR) FILTER

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The generic equation of FIR filter can be expressed as follows:

$$y(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{M} h_i * x(n-i) ,$$

where M is the filter order of a digital FIR,  $h_i$  is the FIR coefficient, x(n) is input impulse and y(n) is output impulse.

Using the above expression, a 7<sup>th</sup> order (8-tap) FIR filter can be represented as,

$$y(7) = h_0 * x(7) + h_1 * x(6) + h_2 * x(5) + h_3 * x(4) + h_4 * x(3) + h_5 * x(2) + h_6 * x(1) + h_7 * x(0)$$

The equation of 7<sup>th</sup> order FIR filter consists of 8 multiplication operations and 7 addition operations. The equivalent DFG of 7<sup>th</sup> order FIR filter, where primary inputs are shown in grey boxes, orange nodes indicate multiplication operation and blue nodes indicate addition operations, corresponding operation/node number are mentioned using integer value (1-15) and finally the output is shown in a green box.

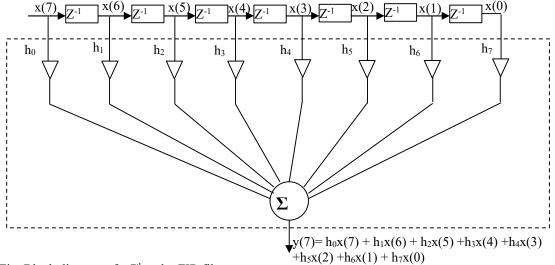


Fig. Block diagram of a 7th order FIR filter

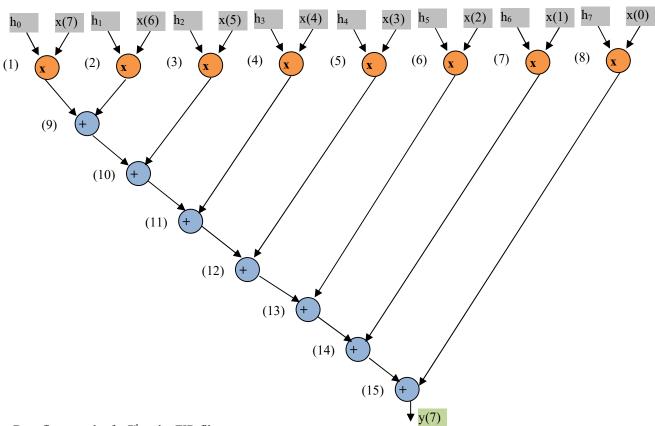


Fig. Data flow graph of a 7th order FIR filter

### 4) INFINITE IMPULSE RESPONSE (IIR) FILTER

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$$0.9 \le |H(e^{j\omega})| \le 1$$
, for  $0 \le \omega \le \pi/2$ 

$$|H(e^{j\omega})| \leq 0.2, \ for 3\pi/4 \leq \omega \leq \pi$$

Solution: Given  $\delta_1$ = 0.9,  $\delta_2$ = 0.2,  $\omega_1$ =  $\pi/2$  and  $\omega_2$ =3 $\pi/4$ ; where,  $\delta_1$ and  $\delta_2$  are the parameters specifying allowable pass-band and stop-band, respectively.

Step 1: Determination of edge frequencies of analog filter:

$$\Omega_1 = 2/T \tan(\omega_1/2) = 2/T \tan(\pi/4) = 2; \quad \Omega_2 = 2/T \tan(\omega_2/2) = 2/T \tan(3\pi/8) = 4.828$$

Therefore,  $\Omega_2/\Omega_1 = 2.414$ 

Step 2: Determination of order of the filter:

Order of a filter (N) can be determined using the following equation,

$$N \geq \frac{1}{2} \frac{\log \frac{\left(\frac{1}{\delta_2^2}\right)^{-1}}{\left(\frac{1}{\delta_1^2}\right)^{-1}}}{\log (\Omega_2/\Omega_1)}$$

Using the above expression, we can obtain the following:

 $N \ge \frac{1}{2} \log(24/0.2346)/\log(2.414) = 2.626$ ,

Thus, order N = 3.

Step 3: Determination of -3dB cut-off frequency:

Cut-off frequency ( $\Omega_c$ ) can be calculated using following equation,

$$\Omega_C = \frac{\Omega_1}{\left[\left(\frac{1}{\delta_1^2}\right) - 1\right]^{1/2N}}$$

Using the above expression, we can obtain,

$$\Omega_c = 2/[(1/0.9^2)-1]^{1/6} = 2.5467$$

Step 4: Determination of transfer function (H(s)):

As N is odd, transfer function of IIR Butterworth can be derived using following equation,

$$H(s) = \frac{{\scriptstyle B_0\Omega_c}}{s + c_0\Omega_c} \prod_{k=1}^{(N-1)/2} \frac{{\scriptstyle B_k\Omega_c^2}}{s^2 + b_k\Omega_c s + c_k\Omega_c^2}$$

Therefore, the transfer function of the current filter is,

$$H(s) = \left(\frac{B_0 \Omega_c}{s + c_0 \Omega_c}\right) \left(\frac{B_1 \Omega_c^2}{s^2 + b_1 \Omega_c s + c_1 \Omega_c^2}\right)$$

$$b_1 = 2 \sin (\pi/6) = 1$$
,  $c_0 = 1$  and  $c_1 = 1$ 

 $B_0B_1 = 1$ , therefore,  $B_0 = B_1 = 1$ ,

Therefore, 
$$H(s) = \left(\frac{2.5467}{s + 2.5467}\right) \left(\frac{6.4857}{s^2 + 2.5467s + 6.4857}\right)$$

Step 5: Determination of equivalent system function (H(z)) using bilinear transformation:

For bilinear transformation,  $S = \frac{2}{T} \left( \frac{z-1}{z+1} \right)$ ,

Therefore, 
$$H(z) = \left(\frac{2.5467}{2\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right) + 2.5467}\right) \left(\frac{6.4857}{\left[2\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right)\right]^2 + 5.0934\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right) + 6.4857}\right)$$

$$H(z) = \left(\frac{16.5171(z+1)^3}{70.83z^3 + 31.1205z^2 + 27.2351z + 2.948}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{16.5171z^3 + 49.5513z^2 + 49.5513z + 16.5171}{70.83z^3 + 31.1205z^2 + 27.2351z + 2.948}\right)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \left(\frac{16.5171z^3 + 49.5513z^2 + 49.5513z + 16.5171}{70.83z^3 + 31.1205z^2 + 27.2351z + 2.948}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{0.2332 + 0.4664z^{-1} + 0.4664z^{-2} + 0.2332z^{-3}}{1 + 0.4394z^{-1} + 0.3845z^{-2} + 0.0416z^{-3}}\right)$$

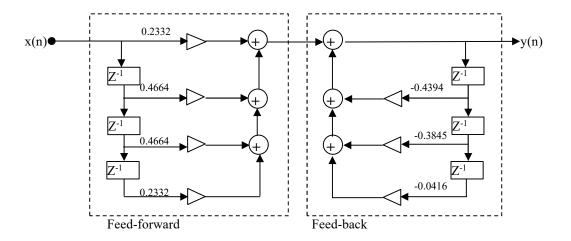


Fig. Block diagram of a 3<sup>rd</sup> order IIR Digital Butterworth Filter

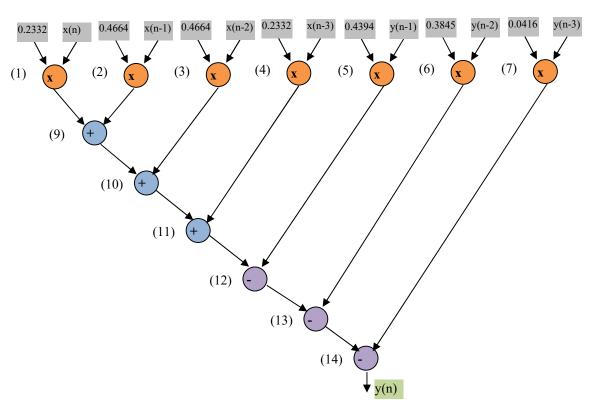


Fig. Data flow graph of an IIR Butterworth filter

#### 5) MESA

**Ref**: A. Sengupta, A. Anshul, V. Chourasia and N. Kumar, "M-HLS: Malevolent High-Level Synthesis for Watermarked Hardware IPs," *IEEE Embedded Systems Letters*, 2024, doi: 10.1109/LES.2024.3416422.

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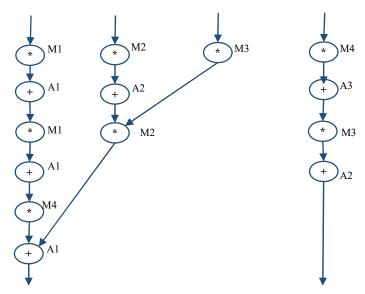


Fig. Data flow graph of MESA Horner Bezier

#### 6) SHARPENING FILTER (SF)

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$$O_0 = \sum\nolimits_{a=0,p=0}^{a=4,p=4} \! \left[ \left( I_{a0} \times h_{p0} \right) + \left( I_{a1} \times h_{p1} \right) + \left( I_{a2} \times h_{p2} \right) + \left( I_{a3} \times h_{p3} \right) + \left( I_{a4} \times h_{p4} \right) \right]$$

Above equation can be expanded for computing 1<sup>st</sup> pixel value O<sub>0</sub> of output image using 5×5 filters.

$$\begin{split} O_0 = & \left[ \left( I_{00} \times h_{00} \right) + \left( I_{01} \times h_{01} \right) + \left( I_{02} \times h_{02} \right) + \left( I_{03} \times h_{03} \right) + \left( I_{04} \times h_{04} \right) \right] \\ & + \left[ \left( I_{10} \times h_{10} \right) + \left( I_{11} \times h_{11} \right) + \left( I_{12} \times h_{12} \right) + \left( I_{13} \times h_{13} \right) + \left( I_{14} \times h_{14} \right) \right] \\ & + \left[ \left( I_{20} \times h_{20} \right) + \left( I_{21} \times h_{21} \right) + \left( I_{22} \times h_{22} \right) + \left( I_{23} \times h_{23} \right) + \left( I_{24} \times h_{24} \right) \right] \\ & + \left[ \left( I_{30} \times h_{30} \right) + \left( I_{31} \times h_{31} \right) + \left( I_{32} \times h_{32} \right) + \left( I_{33} \times h_{33} \right) + \left( I_{34} \times h_{34} \right) \right] \\ & + \left[ \left( I_{40} \times h_{40} \right) + \left( I_{41} \times h_{41} \right) + \left( I_{42} \times h_{42} \right) + \left( I_{43} \times h_{43} \right) + \left( I_{44} \times h_{44} \right) \right] \end{split}$$

The  $3\times3$  kernel for sharpening filter is shown below:

$$H^{S} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 9 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3}$$

Using the above filter kernel and the equation for computing  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  pixel value  $O_0$  and  $O_1$ , the sharpening filter transfer function can be written as:

$$\begin{array}{l} O_0 = \left[ \left( I_{00} + I_{01} + I_{02} + I_{10} + I_{12} + I_{20} + I_{21} + I_{22} \right) \times \left( -1 \right) \right] + \left( I_{11} \times 9 \right) \\ O_1 = \left[ \left( I_{01} + I_{02} + I_{03} + I_{11} + I_{13} + I_{21} + I_{22} + I_{23} \right) \times \left( -1 \right) \right] + \left( I_{12} \times 9 \right) \end{array}$$

The respective CDFG is shown below:

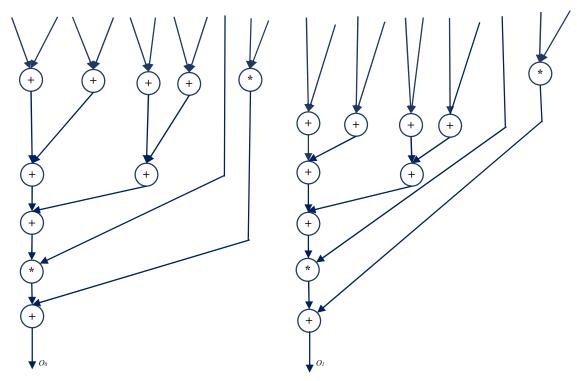


Fig. CDFG of sharpening filter