A Low Power Radix-4 Dual Recoded Integer Squaring Implementation For Use in Design of Application Specific Arithmetic Circuits

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Abstract: We introduce an implementation of a radix 4 dual recoding procedure for the squaring operation of an *n*-bit number which reduces the number of bit product terms employed in the previously known squaring methods obtained by either Booth radix-4 recoded multiplication or by radix 2 squaring. Several other squaring algorithms have been developed such as [WSMB99], [YW01], and [SNC01]. Employing the dual recoded radix-4 procedure for design of a squaring circuit introduces a significant reduction in power and area. Architecturally, radix-4 dual recoded squaring uses only the 1's complement representation which allows for a simpler PPG structure as compared to the 2's complement representation required for Booth radix-4 multiplication.

1. Background

The radix 4 recoding procedure utilizes Booth recoding. Let $P = d_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} d_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor 1} \cdots d_0$ with $d_i \in \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$ be the Booth recoded radix 4 representation of $Q = q_{n-1}q_{n-2} \cdots q_0$ [Bo51, Ru75]. It is important to recall how Booth radix-4 digit d_i of P is determined by the three bits $q_{2i+1}q_{2i}q_{2i-1}$ of Q as can be seen from Table 1. Bit q_{-i} is considered a 0.

Binary	Booth Digit
100	2
110, 101]
000, 111	0
001, 010	1
011	2

Table 1: Radix-4 Booth Recodings [Bo51, Ru75]

$Q = 1100\ 0101\ 1000\ 1011_2$	
11	1
101	1
001	1
100	2
011	2
010	1
000	0
110	1
001	1
$P = \left(1\overline{1}012\overline{2}1\overline{1}\overline{1}\right)_{\!4}$	

Example 1: Shows how $Q = 1100\ 0101\ 1000\ 1011_2$ is recoded to be represented by $P = (1\ \overline{1}\ 012\ \overline{2}\ 1\ \overline{1}\ \overline{1})_4$

The use of Booth radix-4 recoding for 16-bit integer multiplication for $Q \times P$ requires 88 entries and 9 rows as illustrated in Figure 2 for the *n*-bit product. This is a considerable reduction of the 136 entries and 16 rows for the radix-2 integer partial product array but provides no additional benefit for the squaring

operation. A radix-2 squaring circuit was described in [PBD97] resulting in 72 entries as illustrated in Figure 3.

$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	(selector digits)
0011 1010 0111 0100 1110 1001 1101 00 0101 1000 1011 0011 1010 00 0001 0110 0010 11 0000 00	$ \frac{1}{1} $ $ \frac{1}{2} $ $ 1$
0100 0000 1000 0101	2's comp bits
0011 1001 0111 1001	Square

Figure 2: Booth Recoded Radix 4 Multiplication

$\frac{(1100\ 0101\ 1000\ 1011)^2}{[1000\ 1011]}$	(selector bits)
1000 1011 0001 0101	1
0001 0110 0010 o1	1
0000 0000 0000	0
0101 1000 o1	1
0000 0000	0
0000 00	0
00o0	0
o1	1
0011 1001 0111 1001	Square

Figure 3: Booth Recoded Radix-2 Squaring

2. Algorithm

The radix-4 dual recoded squaring algorithm determines the Booth digits in a right-to-left manner i.e. starting from the least significant bit and moving toward the most significant bit. Let P_i be the integer formed by shifting the radix 4 digit string right *i* places deleting the low order *i* digits obtaining

$$P_{i} = d_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} d_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor 1} \cdots d_{i} = \sum_{j=i}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} d_{j} 4^{j-i}$$

for $i = 0, 1, \cdots \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$, with $P_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} = 0$ and $P_{0} = P = Q$. Since then $P_{i} = 4P_{i+1} + d_{i}$ and $P_{i}^{2} = 16P_{i+1}^{2} + (8P_{i+1} + d_{i})d_{i}$ for $i = 0, 1, \cdots, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$, we obtain the following.

Observation 1:

$$Q^{2} = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1} (8(Q_{2i+2} + q_{2i+1})d_{i} + d_{i}^{2}) \mathbf{1}6^{i}$$

Definition 1: Let $Q = q_{n-1}q_{n-2}\cdots q_0$ with $Q_i = \left\lfloor \frac{Q}{2^i} \right\rfloor = q_{n-1}q_{n-2}\cdots q_i$ for $0 \le i \le n-1$ and let $d_i \in \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$ be the *i*th digit of the Booth recoded radix 4 representation $Q = P = d_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} d_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1} \cdots d_0$. Then the *i*th radix-4 partial square is $8(Q_{2i+2} + q_{2i+1})d_i + d_i^2$ where $8(Q_{2i+2} + q_{2i+1})$ is the *i*th

multiplicand factor for radix-4 dual recoded squaring and d_i is the *i*th recoded radix 4 select digit.

Recall that q_{2i+1} is effectively the sign bit of the recoded digit d_i , so we obtain the partial square identity

$$8(Q_{2i+2}+q_{2i+2})d_i+d_i^2=(-1)^{q_{2i+1}}8(Q_{2i+2}+q_{2i+2})|d_i|+d_i^2.$$

It is important to observe that the 2's complement of $Q_{2i+2} + q_{2i+1}$ reduces to the sign extended 1's complement of Q_{2i+2} , as formally summarized in the following.

Theorem 1: Let $P = d_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} d_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor 1} \cdots d_0$ be the radix-4 dual recoded representation of $Q = q_{n-1}q_{n-2} \cdots q_0$. Let Q_{2i+2}^* be the conditionally 1's complemented sign extended leading bits of $Q_{2i+2} = \lfloor \frac{Q}{2^{i+2}} \rfloor$ given for $i = 0, 1, \cdots \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1$ by

$$Q_{2i+2}^* = \begin{cases} q_{n-1}q_{n-2}\cdots q_{2i+2}, & \text{for } q_{2i+1} = 0\\ \cdots 1 \, 1 \overline{q}_{n-1} \overline{q}_{n-2}\cdots \overline{q}_{2i+2}, & \text{for } q_{2i+1} = 1 \end{cases}$$

Then

$$Q^{2} = \sum_{0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \left(8 Q_{2i+2}^{*} |d_{i}| + d_{i}^{2} \right) 6^{i}.$$

From Theorem 1 we observe that the PPG's for recoded radix 4 squaring are simpler than for a Booth recoded radix-4 multiplier since the complements are simply 1's complements. This means that for the *n*-bit integer radix-4 square: (1) we need to employ only the $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor$ low order half of the Booth-4 select digits in forming the radix-4 dual recoded square array, (2) No complement bit row is needed as in Booth-radix 4 multiplication, and (3) no sign extension of the partial squares are needed for the *n*-bit square.

Figure 4 illustrates the radix-4 dual recoded array for computing $Q^2 = (1100\ 0101\ 1000\ 1011)^2\ \text{mod}2^{16}$. There are only 40 entries in Figure 4 compared to the 72 entries for radix 2 illustrated in Figure 3 and compared to the 88 entries for Booth recoded radix 4 multiplication illustrated in Figure 2.

$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Booth-4 select digits
0111 0100 1110 1001 1101 0011 1001 1011 0001 0100	$\frac{\overline{1}}{1}$ $\frac{1}{2}$
0011 1001 01 11 10 01	Square

Figure 4: Radix-4 Dual Recoded Squaring

3. Implementation

Based on the properties of Theorem 1, an efficient Partial Square Generator (PSG) was designed. Figure 5 is a Synopsys screen shot of an 8-bit PSG. The dataflow through the circuit is as follows:

- 1. All the bits of the input, X, except for the 3 least significant bits are conditionally negated if x_2 is 1,
- 2. The output from step 1 is left shifted by 1 if x_2 is equal to x_0 ,

3. If the three least significant bits of *X* are 0, $Y \equiv 0$ else all but the 3 least significant bits of *Y* are the output from step 2 and

$$y_{2} = \overline{(x_{0} \oplus x_{1})} \overline{(x_{0} \oplus x_{2})} \overline{(x_{0} \oplus x_{1})}$$

$$y_{1} = 0$$

$$y_{0} = \overline{(x_{0} \oplus x_{1})} \overline{(x_{0} \oplus x_{2})} + \overline{(x_{0} \oplus x_{1})}$$

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Figure 5: A Synopsys screen shot of an 8 bit PSG

Using the PSG design above, the architecture of the squaring unit can be viewed in at least the two following methods depicted in figures 5. Figure 5 shows the architecture view of building the circuit independent of smaller versions of the circuit. The architecture in Figure 5 is constructed from the following components: $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ PSG's of bit sizes *n*, *n*-2, ..., 2, and an adder tree of height of $\log_x n$ where *x* is the bit size of the adders used in the adder tree.

4. Results

The radix-4 dual recoded squaring circuit and a general purpose multiplier were both implemented in verilog and mapped to OSU standard cell library [SCWH07]. Both circuits were constrained to run within a 20ns clock-edge and were implemented for 16, 32, and 64 bit-widths. The charts in Figures 7-9 show a substantial gain in power, leakage power, and area for our customized squaring circuit compared to a multiplier circuit.



Figure 5: Datapath of 16-bit input/16-bit output Radix-4 Dual Recoded Squaring Circuit



Figure 7: Power (mW) vs Bit-Width chart



Figure 8: Leakage Power(nW) vs Bit-Width Chart



Figure 9: Area vs Bit-Width chart

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