

A WALLACE TREE APPROACH FOR DATA AGGREGATION IN WIRELESS SENSOR NODES

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ABSTRACT:

Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN) refers to a gathering of spatially scattered and committed sensors used for to sense the environmental and physical conditions. The WSN collects and aggregates the data from all the sensor nodes and send it to the sink. But the delay required for Radio transmission of collected information to the sink is very high. If the delay of the network is high then the power consumption may be high it leads to decrease in node life time. So to avoid that problem the delay of the network must be kept at minimum in order to increase the node lifetime. If number of computations required for data aggregation process are low then automatically the delay of the network is also very less. At present a carry look ahead adder with parallel prefix algorithm for data aggregation is used but with this approach is having the disadvantages like high latency and memory. To avoid all those disadvantages a novel tree approach is proposed. The expected results are reduced in latency that is it increase the speed of data aggregation process in Wireless sensor nodes along with less memory requirement for that Tree structure.

KEY WORDS

Nodes, Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN), Folded tree, Wallace Tree

1. INTRODUCTION

A wireless sensor network (WSN) is a network consisting of possibly low size and low complex devices termed as nodes that can sense the environment and monitor that information through Wireless links. The information sensed by the sensors is shared between the nodes through relays and send to the sink by using internet. Wireless sensor Networks are used in many consumer and industrial applications like area monitoring, object monitoring, logistics, intelligent building and medical applications^[1] like patient health monitoring, due to the large developments in wireless sensor networks they are used as battlefield surveillance in military applications.

2. CHARACTERISTICS OF WSN'S

Wireless Sensor Networks are having a number of unique characteristics^[9] some of them are:

Communication paradigm: In WSN's all nodes are communicated^[11]with each other and aggregates data and it is send to the sink.

Application specific: Depending upon the application Wireless Sensor Networks are developed to perform a specific task.

Scale and density: To cover large areas and to monitor the environmental conditions efficiently large number of nodes are placed^[9] in one place that is density of the nodes are high.

Resource constraints: WSN nodes are small in size and battery so the power consumption must be low and delay of the network also kept at low for high speed of data aggregation. Like that WSN,s are having so many constraints.

Minimized Memory for data aggregation: The algorithms used for data aggregation^[9] process in WSN,s are using the high memory. To avoid this problem memory required for data aggregation algorithms must be low.

3. REQUIREMENTS OF WSN'S

In order to make these sensor networks a reality, the node implementation and hardware should be optimized for the following three characteristics^[9].

Low cost: The networks utility depends on high density of nodes. To make large scale deployments economically feasible, these nodes must be of very low cost.

Small size: The size of modules must be of small size in WSN networks in order to minimize power in sensor nodes.

Low power: WSN networks are having many nodes, battery replacement is very difficult and expensive or even impossible also. Nodes must have efficient energy^[3] so that it can function for long periods without running out of power.

4. EXISTING WORK

WSN On-The Node Data Aggregation

Wireless sensor networks (WSN's) got researchers interest in recent years because those are used in wide range of applications. Wireless Sensor Networks could contain hundreds of sensors that collect and in some cases preprocess data before it is send to central node (Sink) for final processing. In most of the cases sensors are deployed to remote location then it is not possible to recharge or replace battery. In that cases solar and wind energy can be used, but such energy supplies are not practically suitable. Hence, increasing the life of wireless sensor networks is an very important issue.

Our existing work is developed with Prefix adder due to its less delay. In WSN ,sensors (nodes or programmable elements) are placed in sensing region. Those sensors are used to sense the data and send that data to sink (central location). All those programmable elements(PE's) are

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 connected in different structures. Those structures are known as trees which performs data aggregation also.

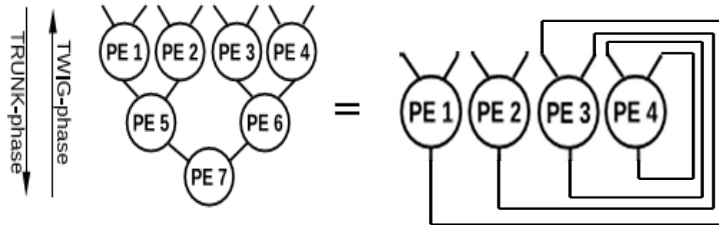


Fig. 1. Left: A binary tree with 7 PEs

Right: Folded tree with 4 PEs which is functionally equivalent to binary tree.

In binary tree 4 PE's (PE₁, PE₂, PE₃, PE₄,) are collected data and that data is added and send it to two PE's (PE₅, PE₆,) then those two data's are aggregated and send it to PE₇. Then PE₇ send that aggregated information to sink. (As shown in Fig.1.Top)

In normal binary tree^[1] it requires 7 Programmable elements (PE's) to aggregate two 16 bit inputs and that produces one output but in folded tree structure only 4 PE's are enough to add two 16 bit numbers/data. (as shown in Fig.1.bottom)

Parallel Prefix adders

Prefix adders^[7] are well suited for digital circuits to add two numbers then we get a Sum and Carry bit. Carry Look-Ahead Adder is developed by using parallel prefix operation we can categorize into three different stages. They are:-

First stage is the Pre-processing stage where we obtain the Group Generate and Group Propagate signals.

Second stage is the Carry generation stage where we generate the carry using the Group Generate and Group Propagate signals. ($P_i = A_i \oplus B_i$ and $G_i = A_i \cdot B_i$)

Third and Final stage is where we obtain the Sum bit using the Carry bit and the Propagate signal.

The steps illustrated above are as shown in the fig.2.

$$(P_i, G_i) \quad (P_{i+1}, G_{i+1}) = (P_i \cdot P_{i+1}, G_i + P_i \cdot G_{i+1}) \odot$$

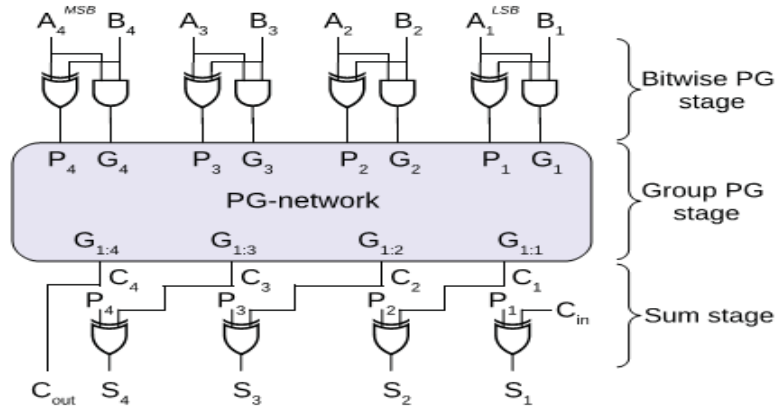


Fig. 2. Prefix adder Folded Tree

In Fig.1. binary tree is implemented in Blleloch’s approach as shown in Fig. 1. It requires $p = n - 1$ PEs area for n inputs .To reduce area and delay, here a fold the tree back onto itself to reuse the PEs the it is called as Folded Tree. This folded tree requires $p = ((n - 1)/2)$ PEs for n number of inputs that is number of PEs are reduced to half.

Folded Tree is implemented in two phases. Those are

- Trunk Phase
- Twig Phase

5. FOLDED TREE PROGRAMMING

First consider trunk-phase in Folded Tree as shown in fig.3.Bottom. At the Fig. 3.top, a folded tree is designed with four PEs in which PE3 and PE4 are connected differently. In Trunk phase of the folded tree functionality is equivalent to the binary tree that is center again shows how data moves from leaves to the root.

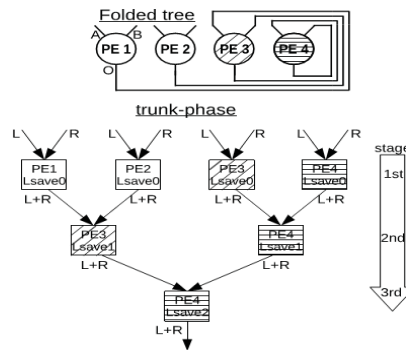


Fig. 3. Top: Four-PE folded tree &Bottom: The trunk-phase program code of the prefix-sum algorithm on a 4-PE folded tree.

In the this Trunk phase of folded tree^[1] (as shown in fig.3.Bottom). The data flows by following the below steps :

The left value is stored as L save in Programmable element(PE).

The left and right values are added (L+R) and pass that output to next stage.

Now, the Twig-phase in Folded Tree is considered (as shown in Fig. 4). In Twig Phase the Folded Tree The tree operates in opposite direction to the Trunk phase.

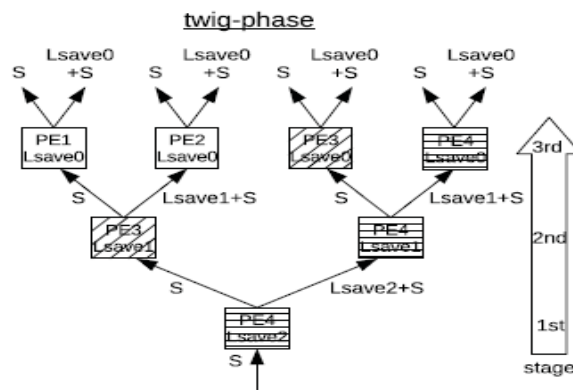


Fig. 4. Twig-phase of 4-PE folded tree.

According to Blleloch’s approach in this Twig phase of Folded Tree the data flow is as shown in following steps , (as shown in fig. 4.)

The bottom value(S) is added with Programmable element value (Lsave +S) and propagate that value to right side of the PE.

At left side of the PE only bottom value(value entered into PE) is only propagated.

6. PROPOSED WORK

Our proposed architecture is Wallace tree that performs data aggregation by performing multiplication of data from various sensor nodes and send that multiplied output to the sink. In multiplication process Wallace tree reduces the number of partial products and those are added by using Sklansky adder structure.

Wallace tree:

The Structure of Wallace tree^[2] has three steps. Those are,

- Partial Product Generation Stage
- Partial Product Reduction Stage

Partial Product Generation Stage

Partial product generation is the first step in Wallace tree multiplier. All these are the intermediate product terms generated based on the value of multiplicand and multiplier. If the multiplier bit is '1', then the multiplicand is copied as it is and forms a partial products row and if it is '0', then all the partial products in a row is also zero. From the 2nd bit multiplication onwards, each partial product row is shifted one unit to the left. In signed multiplication process, the sign bit is also extended to the left side. For a conventional multiplier Partial product generators consisting of a series of logic AND gates as shown in Fig.5.

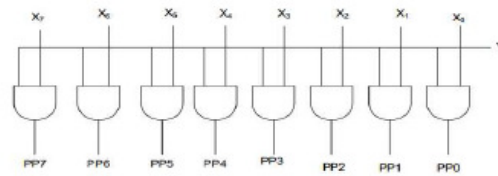


Fig.5. Partial product selection logic for simple

Partial Product Reduction Stage:

In the proposed architecture, partial product reduction is done by the use of 4:2, 5:2 compressor structures and the final stage of addition can be performed by a Sklansky adder. The latency or delay in the Wallace tree multiplier can be reduced by decreasing the number of adders in the partial products reduction stage.

The Wallace tree is constructed by considering all the four rows of input bits in each stage at a time and compress them by using compressors. Thus, compressors form the compulsory requirement of high speed multipliers. The area, speed and power consumption of the multipliers will be directly proportion to the efficiency of the compressors. Thus, in order to satisfy the requirement of speed and power this Wallace tree is developed by using these compressors.

4-2 Compressor:

4-2 compressor (as shown in Fig.6.) has four inputs X_1, X_2, X_3 and X_4 and two outputs Sum and Carry along with a Carryin (C_{in}) and a Carry out (C_{out}) as shown in Fig. 6. The input C_{in} is the output from the previous lower significant compressor. The C_{out} is the output to the compressor in the next significant stage.

5-2 Compressor:

The 5-2 Compressor (as shown in Fig.7.) block has 5 inputs X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5 and 2 outputs, Sum and Carry, along with 2 input carry bits (C_{in1}, C_{in2}) and 2 output carry bits (C_{out1}, C_{out2}) as shown in Fig.7. The input carry bits are the outputs from the previous lesser significant

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 compressor block and the output carry is passed on to the next higher significant compressor block.

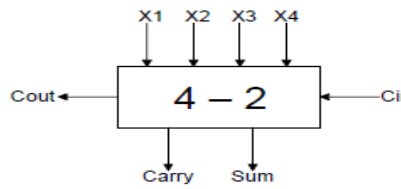


Fig.6. 4:2 compressors

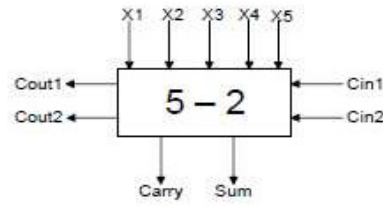


Fig.7. 5:2 compressors

Now the Fig.8. Shows the partial product reduction stage in Wallace tree by using 4:2,5:2 compressors.

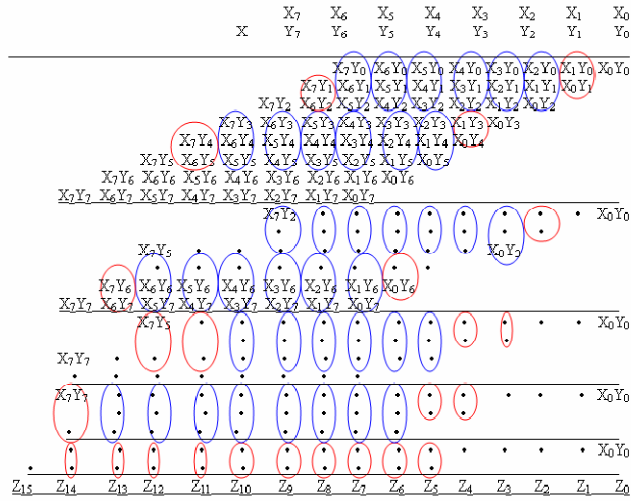


Fig.8. Partial product reduction stage in Wallace tree

Partial Product Addition Stage

Sklansky tree is commonly known as the divide-and-conquer tree it is as shown in Fig.9.

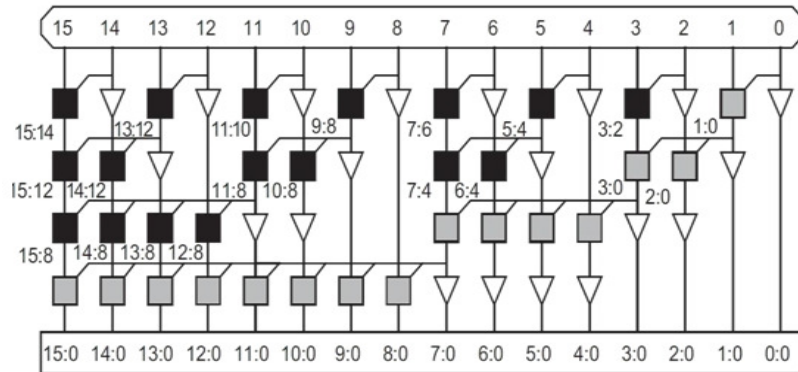
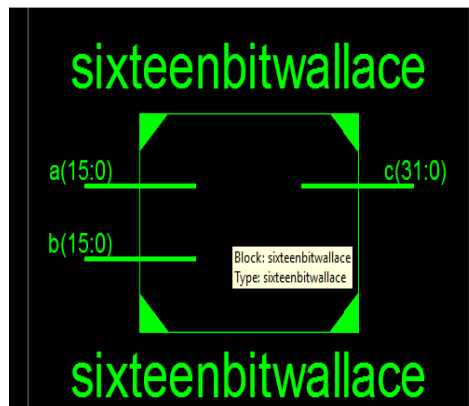


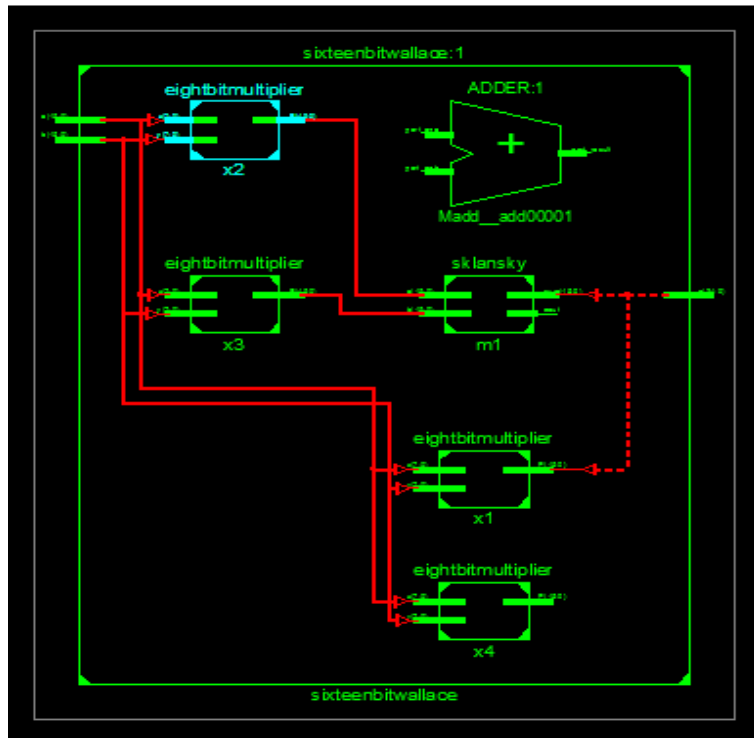
Fig.9. Structure of Sklansky adder

At the final stage of the Wallace Tree this Sklansky adder is used. It reduces the delay to $\log_2 N$ stages. Hence delay of the Wallace Tree this Sklansky adder is very low.

7. RESULTS

RTL Schematic Diagram for 16 bit Wallace tree with Sklansky adder:





Simulation Waveforms for 16 bit Wallace tree with Sklansky adder:

Messages					
	/tb_top/a	40	40		
	/tb_top/b	79	79		
	/tb_top/c	3160	3160		

The table 1 describes that 16 bit Wallace tree is having less delay and memory compared to 16 bit folded tree.

Table 1: Comparison of 16 bit folded Tree and 16 bit Wallace Tree:

Parameter	Total values for 16 bit Folded Tree	16 bit Walla Tree in Sklansky adder
Delay(ns)	29.922	23.322
Memory(KB)	329720	179228

8. CONCLUSION

A 16 bit Wallace tree architecture was developed for data aggregation in Wireless Sensor Nodes.

This architecture gives better results compared to folded tree architecture. Those are

1. Less Delay (Speed of Data aggregation process is increases)
2. Memory of the Wallace architecture is also less.

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