IMPROVISATION OF GABOR FILTER DESIGN USING VERILOG HDL

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents the improvisation of Gabor Filter design using Verilog HDL. This paper details important enhancement made to the Digital Gabor filter to minimize the sizing problem and the coding style that synthesizable. The intention is to study, analyze, simplify and improvise the design synthesis efficiency and accuracy while maintaining the same functionality. The main characteristic of the proposed approach was to replace the parallel multiplication-accumulation unit (MAC) to a serial multiplication-accumulation unit where the convolution matrix takes place. This significant change helps to reduce the sizing problem without jeopardizing the functionality of the Digital Gabor Filter. The result provides area efficiency architecture for the effective design.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND STUDY

Fingerprint enhancement using Gabor filter is one of highly computational complexity in fingerprint verification process. Gabor filter have a complex valued convolution kernel and a data format with complex values is used. So implementing Gabor filter is very significant in fingerprint verification process. Designing Gabor filter will help enhancing the quality of fingerprint image[1]. In fingerprint recognition, Gabor filter optimally capture both local orientation and frequency information from a fingerprint image. By tuning a Gabor filter to specific frequency and direction, the local frequency and orientation information can be obtained. Thus, they are suited for extracting texture information from images[1].

The Gabor filter is design in an FPGA flow[3]. In FPGA design, speed, size and the power element are the most important elements. In the industry, these three elements act as a guideline in designing a complex circuit. Often designers use a fixed optimization strategy to try and meet the timing. If the speed is chosen to be improved, it will compromise either the size or the power consumption. Theoretically, parallel connection is faster than the series design in FPGA design. However in the industries, sometimes the series connection can provide faster result and can reduce design space consumption. The Gabor filter design Improvisation can help not just reducing the size but might also increase the speed of the filter. Hence, the design optimization is very significant in the designing process[9].

1.2 OBJECTIVE

Objective of this work was to reduce the sizing problem in the Gabor filter design by replacing the parallel design MAC to a serial design MAC. The convolution matrix took place at the multiplication-accumulation unit (MAC) of the digital filter design