

“Theory and Applications of Computationally Universal Metabolic P Systems”

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Section 1

Introduction

Electrical Circuits \Leftrightarrow Metabolism

or find a bidirectional transformation between electrical circuits and metabolism.

Electrical Circuits \Leftrightarrow Metabolism

Where does the inspiration come from?

- Terje Lomø's long term potentiation [5];
- Kidney loops and mechanical engineering [4, p. 75];
- Miguel Nicolelis' experiment with monkeys and virtual arms.

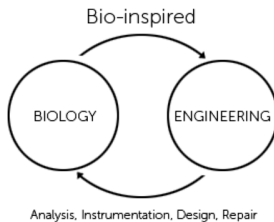
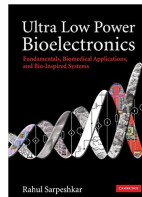
Electrical Circuits \Leftrightarrow Metabolism

Is it a sound?

- Both are dynamical systems;
- Several living-beings components are modeled after engineering concepts:
 - Circulatory systems \Leftrightarrow fluid mechanics;
 - Skeleton \Leftrightarrow solid mechanics;
 - Muscular movement \Leftrightarrow electricity;
 - ...
- Correlated to:
 - Biomedical engineering;
 - Systems biology;
 - *Synthetic biology*
- A just-born research field.

Once upon a time...

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Electrical Circuits \leftarrow Metabolism

- Get a specification of a metabolism;
- Transform it in a specification of an electrical circuit;
- Automatically generate an electrical circuit;
- Reproduce the metabolic behavior in electrical circuit;
- *Tune the behavior in the generated electrical circuit.*¹

Systems Biology.

¹Bonus feature.

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 - Users's application.

Work Breakdown Structure of the PhD research

Theory

- 1 How can I represent metabolism?
- 2 How can I represent circuit?
- 3 Can I map every metabolism to circuit?
- 4 Can I map every circuit to metabolism?
- 5 What is the map procedure? (Both.)
- 6 Do I have restrictions?
- 7 Is the mapping optimal? (In which sense?)

Practice

- 1 Instance of a metabolism as an electrical circuit.
- 2 Instance of an electrical circuit as a metabolism.
- 3 Automatic mapping of metabolism to electrical circuit.
- 4 Automatic mapping of electrical circuit to metabolism.

Section 2

Basic Knowledge

- To understand the work, it is required to have in mind two concepts:
 - 1 Metabolic P systems;
 - 2 Computationally Universal Devices.
- The rest of the work is self-contained.

Static

$$G = (M, R, I, \Phi)$$

- set of substances M ;
- set of rules R ;
- initial state I ;
- set of fluxes Φ .

Dynamic

$$\mathcal{M} = (G, \tau, \mu, \nu)$$

- Metabolic P grammar G ;
- Period of the dynamics, τ ;
- Number of conventional mole μ ;
- Vector of mole masses ν ;
- Update recurrent equation (*Equational Metabolic Algorithm*).

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Computationally Universal Devices

- Computationally universal devices \Leftrightarrow Turing-complete
- Recognizes the highest level of the Chomsky-Schützenberger hierarchy

Grammar	Language	Automaton
Type-0	Recursively enumerable	Turing machine
Type-1	Context-sensitive	Linear-bounded non-deterministic Turing machine
Type-2	Context-free	Non-deterministic pushdown automaton
Type-3	Regular	Finite state automaton

- There are several computationally universal models. **Register machine** was picked.
 - Simple;
 - Easy to reason about;
 - von Neumann architecture-like;
 - Low-level programming.

$$\mathcal{R} = (R, O, P) [9]$$

- R is the finite set of *registers* (with infinite capacity)
- $O = \{\text{INC}, \text{DEC}, \text{JNZ}, \text{HALT}\}$ is the finite set of operations;
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Section 3

Theory

Recalling the Guiding Questions

- 1 Q: How can I represent metabolism?
A: *Metabolic P systems.*
- 2 Q: How can I represent circuit?
A: *Analog, digital circuits or algorithms.*
- 3 Q: Can I map every metabolism to circuit?
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Subsection 1

Algorithms \mapsto Metabolic P systems

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Algorithm

- Representation of register machine;
- Recursively enumerable language;
- Sequential execution;
- Self-reference at run time (e.g. , JNZ);
- Operations $\mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{N}$;
- Finite-set of operations.

Metabolic P system

- Dynamical system;
- Could be context-sensitive language [1, 8]. More ambitious attempts [7] has failed.
- Parallel execution;
- Reference to previous-state only;
- Operations $\mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$;
- No restriction to usage of functions.

The Easy Part

Register machine	Metabolic P grammar
$\mathcal{R} = (R, O', P)$	$G = (M, R, I, \Phi)$
Set of registers R	Set of metabolites M
Program (sequence) P	Set of rules R Set of fluxes Φ
Initial state of the registers	Initial state I

Restricting the Operations

- Restrict MP systems to \mathbb{N} ;
- Create a new class of MP systems that manage it correctly: fluxes and rule-application.

Definition (MP^+ Grammar)

An MP^+ grammar $G' = (M, R, I', \Phi')$ is a derivation from a standard MP grammar $G = (M, R, I, \Phi)$ if its vector of initial values for substances I' has all components greater than or equal to zero, the set of consuming fluxes of the metabolite x defined as $\Phi'_x = \{\varphi'_j : \text{mult}^-(x, r_j) > 0, \forall r_j \in R\}$, and G' respects the following restrictions at every computational step t_i :

- 1 $\forall \varphi \in \Phi : \varphi'(t_i) = \begin{cases} \varphi(t_i) & , \text{ if } \varphi(t_i) \geq 0 \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise} \end{cases};$
- 2 $\sum_{\varphi' \in \Phi'_x} \varphi'(t_i) \leq x(t_i); \text{ otherwise } \varphi'(t_i) = 0, \forall \varphi' \in \Phi'_x \text{ at the execution step } t_i.$

- Sequential execution and self-reference:
 - For each instruction I_j of program P , there will be a respective metabolite I_j representing the *instruction pointer*, active or not, at that instruction;
 - For each instruction I_j of the type JZ or JNZ, there will be a respective metabolite L_j ;
 - To signalize the halt of operation of the device, there will be a special (fixed-point) metabolite $HALT$.

Mapping Rules and Fluxes

Register machine	Metabolic P grammar
if I_j is INC(R_i)	$I_j \rightarrow I_{j+1} : I_j$ $\emptyset \rightarrow R_i : I_j$
if I_j is DEC(R_i)	$I_j \rightarrow I_{j+1} : I_j$ $R_i \rightarrow \emptyset : I_j$
if I_j is JNZ(R_i, I_k)	$I_j \rightarrow L_j : I_j$ $L_j \rightarrow I_k : L_j - I_{j+1}$ $L_j \rightarrow \emptyset : I_{j+1}$ $\emptyset \rightarrow I_{j+1} : I_j - R_i$
if I_j is HALT	$I_j \rightarrow \text{HALT} : I_j$

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Finally, the Theorem

Theorem (Translation of Register Machine to MP^+)

For any register machine \mathcal{R} exists an equivalent positively controlled MP grammar \mathcal{G}_+ .

The Proof I

Given a register machine $\mathcal{R} = (R, I, P)$ with $|R| = r$ and $|P| = p$, a positively controlled MP grammar $\mathcal{G}_+ = (M, Ru, I, \Phi)$ is constructed

- 1 adding a metabolite R_i in the set M for each register $R_i \in R$;
- 2 adding a metabolite I_j in the set M for each of the instructions in $I_j \in P$;
- 3 adding a metabolite L_j in the set M for each instruction $I_j \in P$ of the type JNZ;
- 4 adding a *HALT* metabolite in the set M ;
- 5 defining the initial state of the metabolites R_j equal to the initial values of the registers R_j , the initial values of all the other metabolites to 0 and the initial value of I_1 to 1;
- 6 adding the rules to Ru and the fluxes to Φ according to the following rules:
 - 1 if I_j is INC or DEC, then $I_j \rightarrow I_{j+1} : I_j$;
 - 2 if I_j is INC(R_i), then $\emptyset \rightarrow R_i : I_j$;
 - 3 if I_j is DEC(R_i), then $R_i \rightarrow \emptyset : I_j$;
 - 4 if I_j is HALT, then $I_j \rightarrow \text{HALT} : I_j$;
 - 5 if I_j is JNZ(R_i, I_k), then
 - 1 $I_j \rightarrow L_j : I_j$;
 - 2 $L_j \rightarrow I_k : L_j - I_{j+1}$;
 - 3 $L_j \rightarrow \emptyset : I_{j+1}$; and,
 - 4 $\emptyset \rightarrow I_{j+1} : I_j - R_i$.

The Proof II

From the rules above, it is possible to notice that I_j and L_j instructions controls the execution flow of the system and satisfies

$$HALT + \sum_{j=1}^P I_j = 1$$

$$0 \leq \sum_{L_j \in M} L_j \leq 1$$

ensuring no two instructions are executed at the same time, but its execution starts from instruction I_1 and proceeds sequentially (or jumps to another one in case of a satisfying JNZ instruction).

All operations are mappings from and to the \mathbb{N} set once both \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{G}_+ , by definition, restrict their operations to this set.

At last, when a rule $I_j \rightarrow HALT$ is performed, the system is stuck in a fixed point since there is no rules for “exiting” this state.

The Side-Effect Prize

- Result of the transformation is a **very simple** MP system— MP^+V ;
- Not only *simple*, but equivalent to register machine \Rightarrow computationally universal;
- But $\text{MP}^+\text{V} \subset \text{MP}^+ \subset \text{MP}$ and MP^+V is computationally universal \Rightarrow **MP is computationally universal!**

Definition (MP^+V Grammar)

An MP^+V grammar $G = (M, R, I, \Phi)$ is a MP^+ one in which:

- 1 $\forall r \in R$ and $v', v'' \in M$, r must have one of the following shapes:
 - 1 $\emptyset \rightarrow v''$;
 - 2 $v' \rightarrow \emptyset$; or
 - 3 $v' \rightarrow v''$;
- 2 $\forall \varphi \in \Phi$ and $m', m'' \in M$, the flux has either the form $\varphi = m'$ or $\varphi = m' - m''$.

The Computational Universality of Metabolic Computing

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Abstract

System and synthetic biology are rapidly evolving systems, but both lack tools such as those used in engineering environments to shift the their focus from the design of parts (details) to the design of systems (behaviors); to aggravate, there are insufficient theoretical justifications on the computational limits of biological systems. To diminish these deficiencies, we present theoretical results over the Turing-equivalence of metabolic systems, defines rules for translations of algorithms into metabolic P systems and presents a software tool to assist the task in an automatic way.

Figure: [arXiv:1505.02420](#) [3]

Subsection 2

Metabolic P systems \mapsto Algorithms

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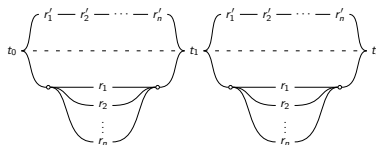


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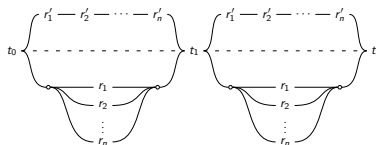


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Solution 1

Command block and/or Monad

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Solution 2

Inclusion of a **subprogram**

Runtime of a Computational Step

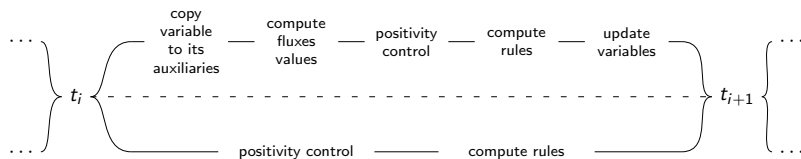


Figure: Representation of a computation step MP+V systems (lower part) and its equivalent register machine (upper part). [2]

Pseudo-code of $MP^+V \mapsto$ Register Machine

```
while  $R_{HALT} = 0$  do
  for all variable  $v \in M$  do           ▷ copy variables to auxiliaries
     $R_{v'} \leftarrow R_v$ 
  end for
  for all flux  $\varphi \in \Phi$  do             ▷ compute fluxes
     $R_\varphi \leftarrow \varphi(t_i)$ 
  end for
  for all variable  $v \in M$  do           ▷ positivity control property
    for all flux  $\varphi_v^- \in \Phi_v^-$  do
       $R_{sum} \leftarrow R_{sum} + R_{\varphi_v^-}$ 
    end for
    if  $R_{sum} > v$  then
      for all flux  $\varphi_v^- \in \Phi_v^-$  do
         $R_{\varphi_v^-} \leftarrow 0$ 
      end for
    end if
  end for
  for all rule  $r$  do                   ▷ compute rules
    if  $r$  is of the form  $\emptyset \rightarrow v : \varphi$  then
       $R_{v'} \leftarrow R_{v'} + \varphi$ 
    else if  $r$  is of the form  $v \rightarrow \emptyset : \varphi$  then
       $R_{v'} \leftarrow R_{v'} - \varphi$ 
    else                               ▷ hence, it must be of the form  $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 : \varphi$ 
       $R_{v'_1} \leftarrow R_{v'_1} + \varphi$ 
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end while
```

Rules are Easy...

$\emptyset \rightarrow V_1 : \varphi$

```
1  ADD( $R_{V_1}, R_\varphi, R_{aux}$ )  
2  CPY( $R_{aux}, R_{V_1}$ )
```

$V_1 \rightarrow \emptyset : \varphi$

```
1  SUB( $R_{V_1}, R_\varphi, R_{aux}$ )  
2  CPY( $R_{aux}, R_{V_1}$ )
```

$V_1 \rightarrow V_2 : \varphi$

```
1  SUB( $R_{V_1}, R_\varphi, R_{aux}$ )  
2  CPY( $R_{aux}, R_{V_1}$ )  
3  ADD( $R_{V_2}, R_\varphi, R_{aux}$ )  
4  CPY( $R_{aux}, R_{V_2}$ )
```

$V_1 \rightarrow \text{HALT} : \varphi$

```
1  JNZ( $R_{HALT}, 3$ )  
2  JMP(4)  
3  HALT  
4  SUB( $R_{V_1}, R_\varphi, R_{aux}$ )  
5  CPY( $R_{aux}, R_{V_1}$ )  
6  ADD( $R_{HALT}, R_\varphi, R_{aux}$ )  
7  CPY( $R_{aux}, R_{HALT}$ )
```


... The Surroundings Aren't!

- There to ensure the proper/correct execution;
- Hidden dynamics of the system;
- 80% of the process, most of the generated source code;
- Processes:
 - 1 Copy variables values to auxiliaries registers;
 - 2 Compute fluxes values for current computational step;
 - 3 Perform *positivity control* on every rule;
 - 4 Update the variables values with computed ones;
 - 5 Loop the systems up to fixed-point $\text{HALT} \neq 0$.

The Easy Ones...

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auxiliaries registers

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computational step

Update the variables values with
computed ones

```
1  CPY( $R_V$ ,  $R_{V_{aux}}$ )
```

```
if  $\varphi = V$  then
```

```
1  CPY( $R_V$ ,  $R_\varphi$ )
```

```
else           ▷ Hence,  $\varphi = V_1 - V_2$ 
```

```
1  SUB( $R_{V_1}$ ,  $R_{V_2}$ ,  $R_\varphi$ )
```

```
end if
```

```
1  CPY( $R_{V_{aux}}$ ,  $R_V$ )
```

... But MP⁺ Is Hard!

- Two constraints to satisfy:

- 1 Fluxes must always belong to the set of positive number;

$$\varphi'(t_i) = \begin{cases} \varphi(t_i) & , \text{ if } \varphi(t_i) \geq 0 \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- 2 Sum of all consuming fluxes for a given variable must be smaller or equal to the amount of the variable

$$\sum_{\varphi' \in \Phi'_x} \varphi'(t_i) \leq x$$

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$$\sum_{\varphi' \in \Phi'_x} \varphi'(t_i) \leq x$$

$\sum_{\varphi' \in \Phi'_x} \varphi'(t_i)$	1	CLR(R_{sum})
	2	ADD($R_{\varphi_1}, R_{sum}, R_{sum}$)
	3	ADD($R_{\varphi_1}, R_{sum}, R_{sum}$)
	4	ADD($R_{\varphi_2}, R_{sum}, R_{sum}$)
	\vdots	
	k+1	ADD($R_{\varphi_k}, R_{sum}, R_{sum}$)
Comparison	k+2	CPY($R_V, R_{comparator}$)
	k+3	JZ($R_{sum}, 2 \cdot k + 8$)
	k+4	JZ($R_{comparator}, k + 8$)
	k+5	DEC(R_{sum})
	k+6	DEC($R_{comparator}$)
	k+7	JMP($k + 3$)
Failure: $\forall \varphi', \varphi' \leftarrow 0$	k+8	CLR(R_{φ_1})
	k+9	CLR(R_{φ_2})
	\vdots	
	2·k+7	CLR(R_{φ_k})

Another Theorem

Theorem (Translation of MP^+V to Register Machine)

For any MP^+V grammar \mathcal{M}_+ exists an equivalent register machine \mathcal{R} .

Corollary

For any computable MP grammar \mathcal{M} exists an equivalent register machine \mathcal{R} .

Automatic Translation of MP^+V Systems to Register Machines

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Abstract. The present work proposes a translation of MP systems into register machines. The already proved universality of MP grammars [6] and the very simple subclass derived from it are used, in here, to present a specification of the metabolic computational paradigm of MP grammars at low (register) level, which is a first step toward a circuit-based implementation of these systems.

Figure: Presented at *16th Conference on Membrane Computing (CMC16)* [3].

Recalling the Guiding Questions

- 1 Q: How can I represent metabolism?
A: ✓ *Metabolic P systems.*
- 2 Q: How can I represent circuit?
A: ✓ *Algorithms.*
- 3 Q: Can I map every MP system to algorithm?
A: ✓ *Yes, since they are computable.*
- 4 Q: Can I map every algorithm to MP system?
A: ✓ *Yes.*
- 5 Q: What is the map procedure? (Both.)
A: ✓ *Proof of theorems.*
- 6 Q: Do I have restrictions?
A: ✓ *Yes: MP must be computable.*
- 7 Q: Is the mapping optimal? (In which sense?)
A: ✓ *Yes: MP^+V is a minimalist set.*

Section 4

Practical Applications


Guiding Goals

- 1 Instance of a metabolism as an electrical circuit.
- 2 Instance of an electrical circuit as a metabolism.
- 3 Automatic mapping of metabolism to electrical circuit.
- 4 Automatic mapping of electrical circuit to metabolism.

Subsection 1

Bidirectional Compiler

Compiler \equiv Automatic Translation

- Bidirectional compiler:
 - 1 Register machine \mapsto MP^+V ;
 - 2 $MP^+V \mapsto$ register machine.
- Available in three flavors:
 - 1 Library;
 - 2 Standalone command-line application;
 - 3 Standalone web interface.
- $\approx 100\%$ coded in  Haskell;
 - 34 files, 1802 lines-of-code;
 - Except few Javascript, CSS and HTML code for web interface.

Compiler \equiv Automatic Translation

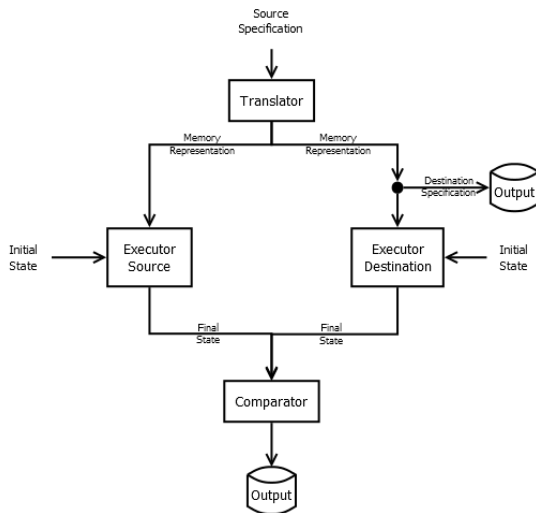


Figure: Relation among modules in the compiler.

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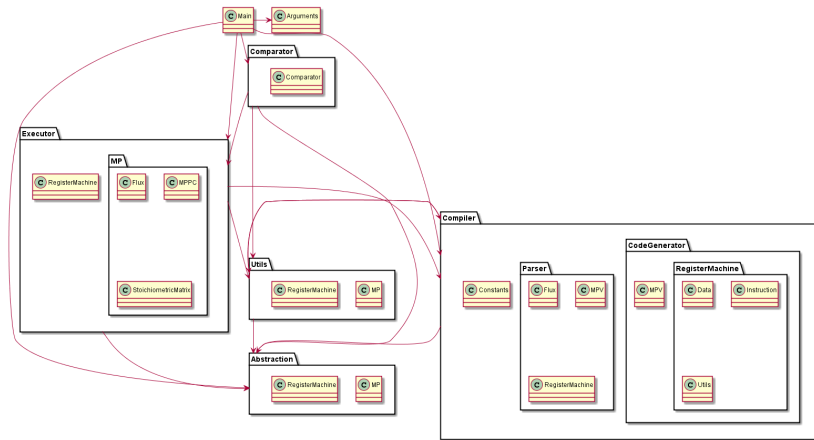



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Live-Action!

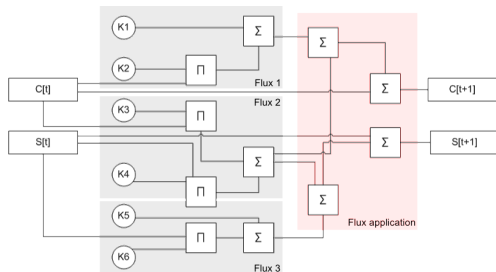
Subsection 2

Digital Circuit

VHDL Hardware Implementation

- MP system \mapsto VHDL \mapsto FPGA;
 - VHDL is algorithmic representation of the digital circuit;
 - FPGA is the digital circuit *per se*.
- Derived from a general framework discovered;
- 100% done at Vilniaus Gedimino Technikos Universitetas when in Erasmus Plus ;
 - They are starting a team on the field with a PhD student.

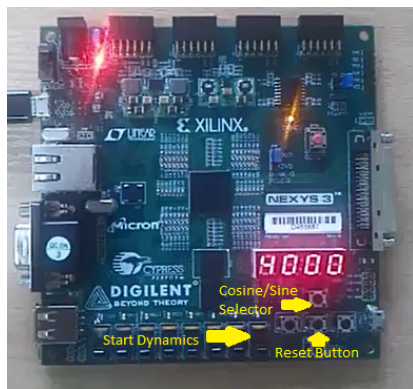
VHDL Hardware Implementation



```
-- combinational instructions
should_run <= run;

-- sequential instructions
step: process (step_clock, should_run, resetBook)
    variable rule_1 : ufixed (integer_part_length-1 downto -fractional_part_length);
    variable rule_2 : ufixed (integer_part_length-1 downto -fractional_part_length);
    variable rule_3 : ufixed (integer_part_length-1 downto -fractional_part_length);
    variable cosine_var : ufixed (integer_part_length-1 downto -fractional_part_length);
    variable sine_var : ufixed (integer_part_length-1 downto -fractional_part_length);
begin
    if (rising_edge(step_clock) and should_run = '1') then
        if (resetBook = '1') then
            cosine <= cosine_zero;
            sine <= sine_zero;
        else
            rule_1 := resize(k1 + resize(k2 * cosine, rule_1), rule_1);
            rule_2 := resize(resize(k3 * cosine, rule_2) + resize(k4 * sine, rule_2), rule_2);
            rule_3 := resize(k5 + resize(k6 * sine, rule_3'high, rule_3'low), rule_3);
            cosine_var := resize(cosine + rule_1 - rule_2, cosine);
            sine_var := resize(sine + rule_2 - rule_3, sine);
            cosine <= cosine_var;
            sine <= sine_var;
        end if;
    end if;
end process step;
```

VHDL Hardware Implementation







Subsection 3

Discrete Fourier Transform

- Discrete Fourier transform using MP power to:
 - 1 generate periodic signals (here, sine and cosine);
 - 2 numeric regression (LGSS).
- Frequencies:
 - In a fixed-range;
 - Dynamically computed using τ of MP and Nyquist frequency.
- Benchmark:
 - Accuracy is better than MATLAB/FFTW;
 - Speed is not so promising, one order of magnitude slower;
 - MATLAB + JVM vs. native *divide-and-conquer* code.

Signals	Frequency	Numerical Frequency	FFT	MP-FFT	MP-FFT (MATLAB)
1	20	20	20	20	20
2	$20 + df$	20.5	20.5	20.5	20.5
3	$20 + \frac{3}{4} \cdot df$	20.375	20.5	{20, 20.5}	{20 20.5}
4	{20, 47}	{20, 47}	{20, 47.5}	{20, 47, 47.5}	{20 47}
5	{20 + df, 47 + 3 · df}	{20.5, 48.5}	{20.5, 49}	{20.5, 48.5, 49}	{20.5 48.5}
6	$\{20 + \frac{3}{4} \cdot df, 47 + \frac{2}{3} \cdot df\}$	{20.375, 47.3}	{20.5, 47.5}	{20.5, 47.5}	{20.5 47.5}
7	20 + noise	20 + noise	{2, 3, 5, 7, 8.5, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16.5, 17.5, 18.5, 20, 22.5, 23.5, 24.5, 25.5, 26.5, 27.5, 29, 30.5, 32.5, 34, 35, 36.5, 38, 39.5, 41.5, 44, 45, 47, 48}	20	20
8	$20 + df + \text{noise}$	20.5 + noise	{1, 3.5, 4.5, 6, 7.5, 10, 12, 14, 15.5, 17.5, 19, 20.5, 21.5, 23, 24, 25.5, 27, 28, 30, 32, 33, 34.5, 36, 37.5, 40, 42, 43, 44, 47, 48, 49.5}	20.5	20.5
9	$20 + \frac{3}{4} \cdot df + \text{noise}$	20.375 + noise	{1.5, 2.5, 5.5, 6.5, 8, 9.5, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17.5, 20.5, 22.5, 23.5, 25.5, 26.5, 27.5, 28.5, 29.5, 31, 32, 33.5, 34.5, 36, 37, 38, 40, 42, 43, 44.5, 46, 47, 49}	20.5	20.5

Recalling Guiding Goals

- 1  Instance of a MP system as an electrical circuit and algorithm.
- 2  Instance of an algorithm as a MP system.
- 3  Automatic mapping of MP system to algorithm.
- 4  Automatic mapping of algorithm to MP system.

Section 5

Conclusions

- MP is more sound, theoretically speaking;
 - Computationally universal, solving past pendencies [6, 7];
 - Minimalistic subclass MP^+V .
- Definition of translation procedures in both-ways.
- Practical examples, hardware and software.
- Open-field for new studies, such as optimization (of translation) and super-computation (using MP^+V).



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