

**MANUSCRIPT TITLE:** Efficient Digital Filter Design Using Horner’s Rule Applied to Fused Multiply–Add Architectures on FPGA

**JOB CODE:** SAMPLE\_1

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- **RESOURCES:** Guidance on reducing text similarity
- **LARGEST MATCHES:** Examples of large areas of text overlap that are especially concerning

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## LARGEST MATCHES

Some parts of the paper showed an exact match with text in other previously published sources. Below are some examples of such portions that will need revisions. Please go through the iThenticate report in detail to work on improving ALL areas of overlapping text, to help with reducing the overall SI score.

Homer's rule has seen extensive use in polynomial and rational function evaluation. Malone *et al.* demonstrated the performance benefits of FPGA-based Homer implementations in heterogeneous computing systems [4]. Meanwhile, Voronenko and Püschel analyzed the application of FMA architectures to linear transforms, showing how FMA structures can be used to derive efficient computational algorithms [5, 6].

2D filter structures have also been explored extensively. Researchers such as Ty and Venetsanopoulos studied efficient 2D filter implementations for real-time image processing [7], while Gnanasekaran focused on practical FPGA realizations of 2D filters [8].

Together, these studies highlight the increasing interest in structured arithmetic techniques and FPGA-based optimization for DSP applications. The present work builds upon these ideas by combining Horner's nested polynomial form with FMA operations to achieve further gains.

### B. Digital Filters and Polynomial Representation

Digital filters can be categorized as either finite impulse response (FIR) or infinite impulse response (IIR) depending on whether their difference equation includes feedback terms.

A general digital filter with input  $x(n)$  and output  $y(n)$  can be written as:

$$y(n) = \sum_{m=0}^M a_m x(n-m) - \sum_{m=1}^N b_m y(n-m) \quad (1)$$

FIR filters exclude the recursive term and thus have:

$$y(n) = \sum_{m=0}^M a_m x(n-m) \quad (2)$$

Expressing (for FIR) the transfer function in the z-domain:

$$H(z) = a_0 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} + \dots + a_M z^{-M} \quad (3)$$

This form requires multiple multiplications and additions.

### C. Horner's Rule for Efficient Polynomial Evaluation

Homer's rule rewrites the polynomial as:

$$H(z) = a_0 + z^{-1}(a_1 + z^{-1}(a_2 + \dots + z^{-1}(a_M))) \quad (4)$$

This nested representation reduces the number of multiplications from  $M$  to roughly  $M$ , improves numerical stability, and maps directly into pipelined hardware structures.

Thus, Homer's rule is well-suited for FPGA implementation.

## ***Appendix 1: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS***

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