

FPGA Implementation of Smart Cryptography Algorithm



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Abstract: Mceliece algorithm is one of the simplest algorithm which is widely used in cryptography application for encrypting and decrypting the data. In the proposed work, mceliece algorithm able to allow an infinite number of characters, but for every nine characters, it considered as one iteration due to the fixed length of matrix size (3*3). Findings: This mceliece application running over micro blaze processor, and this processor implemented on Spartan-3E FPGA. The entire experimental setup is implemented using Xilinx platform studio 14.3 and targeted on Spartan 3E-1600E FPGA.

Index Terms: Mceliece cryptosystem, micro blaze processor, Encryption, Decryption.

I. INTRODUCTION

Cryptography is a technique that is widely used for protection of data [1]. Especially public- key cryptography provides additional benefits for security purposes. There are various Cryptographic techniques such as AES Algorithm, DES algorithm, Triple DES and so on [2], out of which simplest approach is mceliece algorithm.

Mceliece is a public key cryptosystem algorithm developed by Mceliece [3]. Mceliece cryptosystem is mainly based on linear error-correcting codes. It is the first public key cryptography used in coding theory for encrypting and decrypting the messages, it is faster than other algorithms. But the mceliece algorithm is rarely used due to its large key size and low data rate.

The main objective of this paper is to propose mceliece algorithm for encryption and decryption using micro blaze processor implemented on Spartan-3E FPGA.

S. R. Shrestha [4] proposed the examples of attacks that will occur in mceliece cryptosystem. Also, they have explained the process of increasing the security without increasing the key size. They also gave a brief explanation about Goppa codes on which mceliece system is based. T.P.

Berger [5] proposed Implementation of mceliece cryptosystem on reconfigurable hardware where the mceliece scheme was first implemented on Xilinx Spartan-3 FPGA.

B.Biswas [6] introduced mceliece cryptosystem based on moderate density parity check (MDPC) codes in which soft decoding algorithms are used where the key size is reduced to 25% compared with existing methods.

M.P Priyanka [8] proposed a novel architecture for purpose of key generation, encryption, decryption which is realized on Virtex-5 FPGA and tested with Xilinx software.

II. METHODOLOGY

1. Mceliece encryption process:

In encryption process, messages are considered as inputs and which will be arranged in the form of the matrix $[i][j]$ and key length matrix $[i][j]$ is fixed [5]. To get an encrypted message, multiply the message matrix $[i][j]$ and key length matrix $[i][j]$. Note the matrix size of the message and key length is (3*3). Therefore, for every nine characters considered as one iteration, likewise it allows infinite characters but it determines the number of iterations of an output message. Encryption process as shown in figure-1.

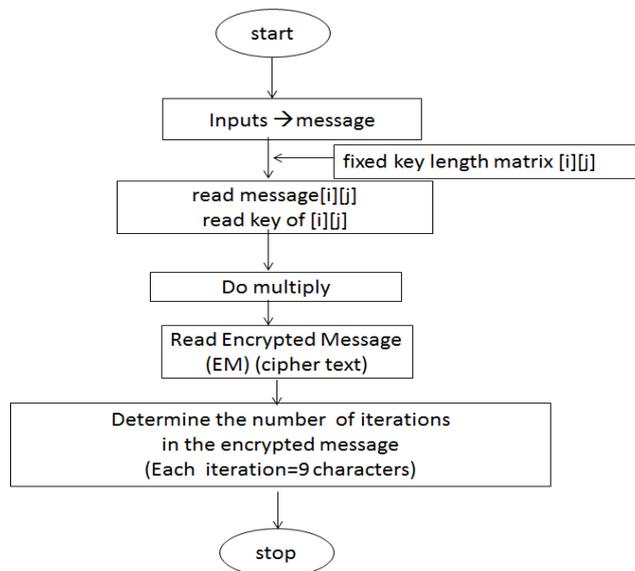


Figure 1: Encryption process

2. Mceliece Decryption process:

In decryption process the inputs are encrypted message $[i][j]$ and inverse key matrix $[i][j]$ of fixed length.

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Here, the same encryption process is followed for decryption, but reduction technique is used. Decryption process as shown in figure-2.

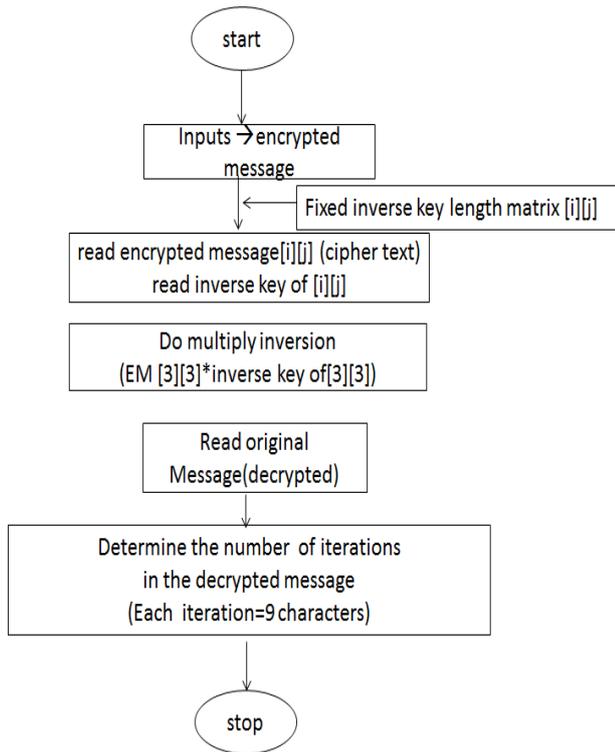


Figure 2: Decryption process

III. IMPLEMENTATION OF MICRO BLAZE PROCESSOR

The initial step is to create a new Base System Builder (BSB) project using Xilinx Platform Studio (XPS). Next, the step is to select the interconnect type i.e., Processor local bus (PLB) and board selection. In this experimental work, Spartan-3E FPGA boards is selected and specifies the board configurations according to requirements. Next step in the system configuration, we have to select the Single micro blaze processor instead of the dual micro blaze processor system [6]. Next step is to select the peripheral configuration, where we select the processor and its clock frequency. By clicking the finish button, it allows to open the new BSB project. Implementation of BSB project as shown in figure-3.

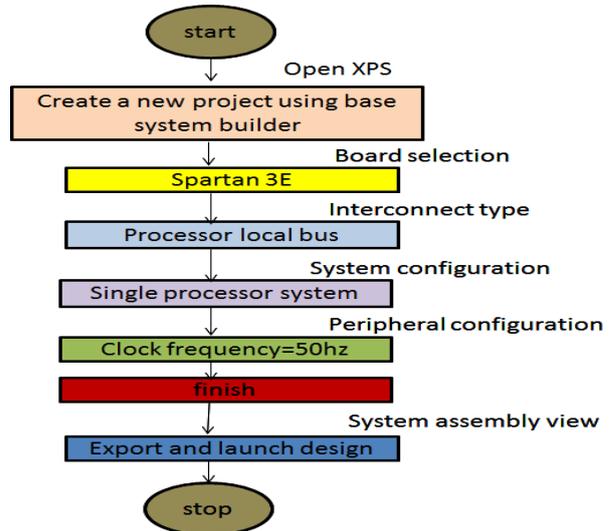


Figure 3: Flowchart for implementing micro blaze processor

In the Xilinx XPS window, a synthesized netlist of micro blaze processor can view in Graphical design tab. Micro blaze setup is ready which consists of several peripherals such as PLB, UART, timer, and bus interfaces, and input and output ports.

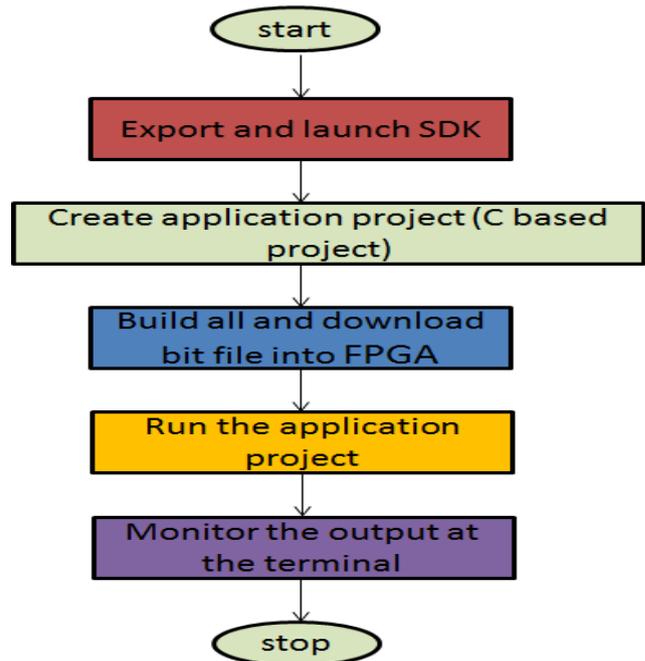


Figure 4: Flowchart for SDK

Then export this design from EDK to SDK by clicking on export design tab. After exporting and launching the SDK environment, we must create a 'c' application. After creating an application, we must compile and select the build all option and import the bit file into FPGA which contains micro blaze processor.

Then run the application of mceliece algorithm over on Spartan-3E FPGA. The resultant output appears in the terminal window. Implementation of the SDK project as shown in figure-4.

IV. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

In the proposed work, mceliece algorithm application running on micro blaze processor, this processor is implemented on the Spartan 3E FPGA board [6]. The communication PC and FPGA is interfaced by using UART. The inputs are given to the FPGA and after computation, the output response of FPGA can observe on the terminal window [7] [8].

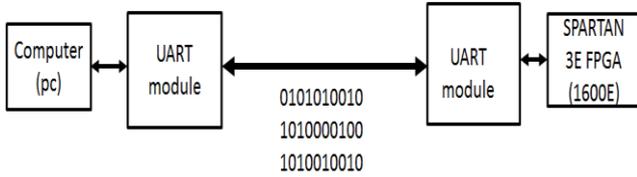


Figure5: Communication between PC and FPGA

The implementation of the communication process between PC and FPGA as shown in figure-5 and photocopy is shown in figure 6.



Figure 6: photo copy of communication process

Synthesis report:

Micro blaze device utilization summary is shown in table-1, the total number of LUTs is 5,599. The total number of Dual RAMs are 342. The number of IOB flip flops are 102. The total number of slice flip flops are 4,551 and the total number of occupied slices are 5,129.

Table 1: synthesis report

Logic utilization	Used	Available	Utilization
Number of slice flip flops	4,551	29,504	15%
Total number of 4-input LUTs	5,599	29,504	18%

Number of bonded IOBs	128	250	51%
Number of DCMs	2	8	25%

Simulation results:

The minimum period is required to transmit a bit is 18.705ns. The maximum path delay taken by the processor from one node to other is 2.912 ns. The actual clock for direct and derivative periods is 6.00ns and 19.040ns. The maximum frequency taken by the processor is 535 MHZ. The total number of slices utilization is 51% and the LUTs utilization is 18%.

Constraint report:

The TS_sys_clk_pin constraints require the period of 20.000ns. The TS_clock_generator_0_clock_generator_0_SIG_DCM1_CLKX requires the period of 10.000ns. Thus, the period requirement of various constraints is given in the following table-2.

Table 2: Constraint report

Constraint	Period Requirement	Actual Period		Paths Analyzed	
		Direct	Derivative	Direct	Derivative
TS_sys_clk_pin	20.000ns	6.000ns	19.040ns	3	248328
TS_clock_generator_0_clock_generator_0_SIG_DCM1_CLK0	20.000ns	16.780ns	N/A	242537	0
TS_clock_generator_0_clock_generator_0_SIG_DCM1_CLK2X	10.000ns	4.800ns	9.520ns	3	5968
TS_clock_generator_0_clock_generator_0_SIG_DCM0_CLK0	10.000ns	9.520ns	N/A	5435	0
TS_clock_generator_0_clock_generator_0_SIG_DCM0_CLK90	10.000ns	7.900ns	N/A	533	0

V.CONCLUSION

In this paper, mceliece algorithm is designed for cryptographic applications using micro blaze processor. Here, mceliece encryption and decryption algorithm is tested with a plain text using mceliece algorithm. In this algorithm, it allows infinite number of characters but due to the limitation of matrix size, the number of iterations is taken place for encrypting and decrypting the data. For every nine characters one iteration is considered. The whole process is implemented on Spartan -3E FPGA. The minimum amount of time is required for bit transmission is 18.605ns.

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