

Specification of APERTIF Polyphase Filter Bank in CλaSH

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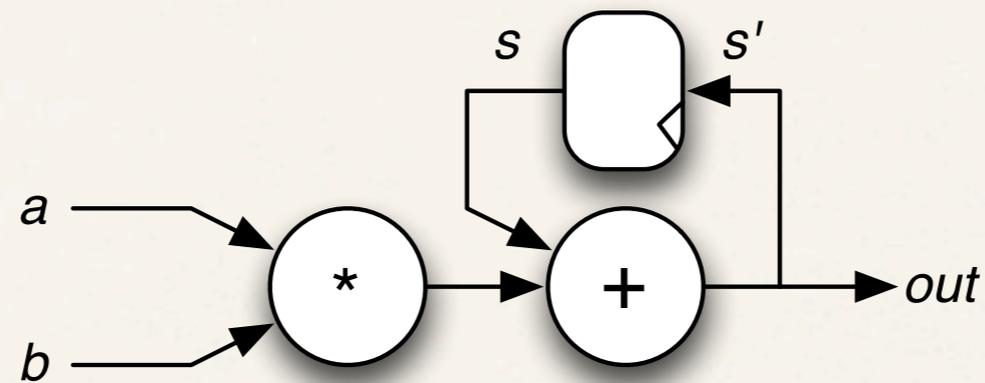
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- ❖ Why APERTIF Polyphase filter bank?
 - ❖ Strict specification on Throughput, Area and clock frequency

Background

- ❖ CλaSH

- ❖ A functional language and compiler for digital hardware design
- ❖ On the lowest level, everything is a Mealy machine $f(s,i) = (s',o)$
- ❖ A CλaSH description is purely structural i.e. all operations are performed in a single clock cycle
- ❖ Simulation is cycle accurate

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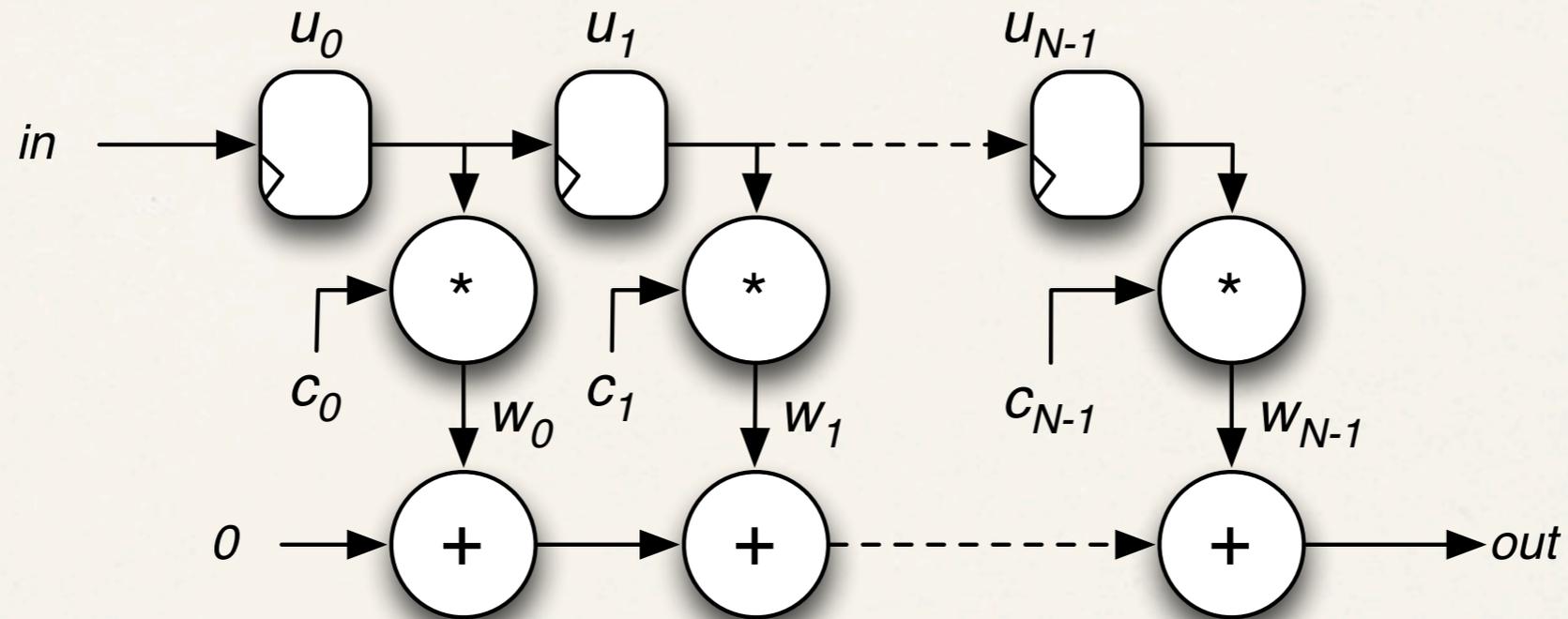
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$$out = s'$$

Background



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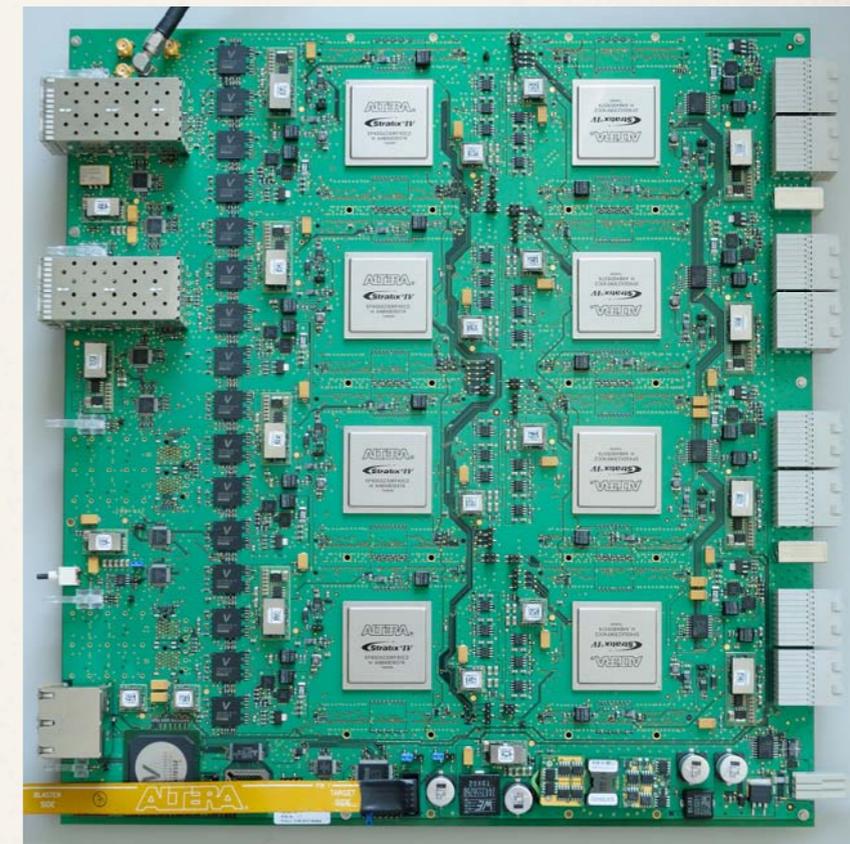
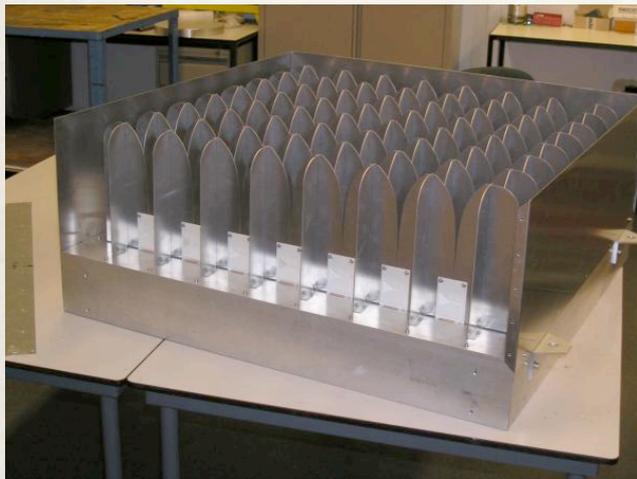
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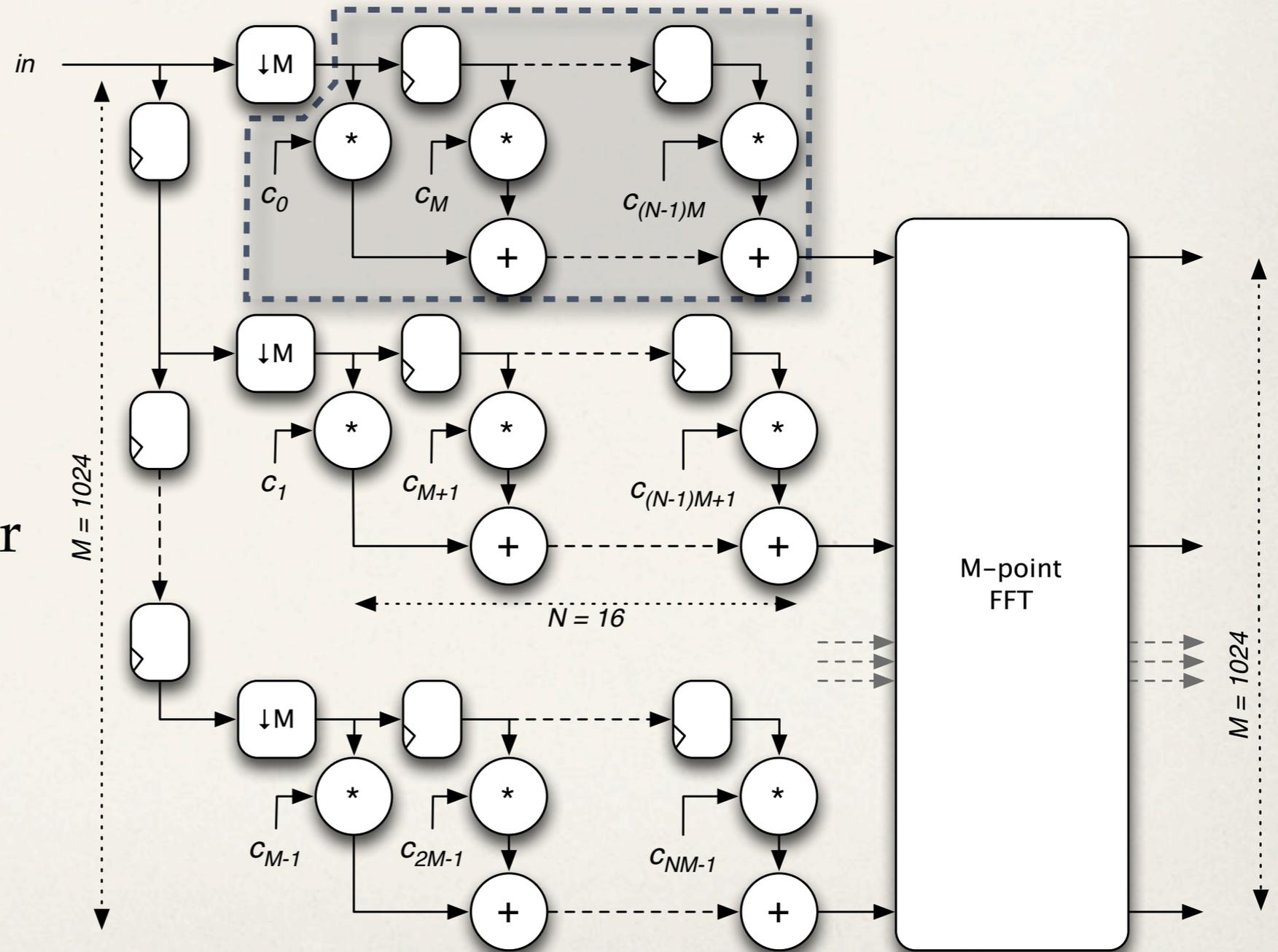
APERTIF project



- ❖ APERTIF Polyphase Filter bank
 - ❖ Increasing field of view of Westerbork telescope using small array
 - ❖ Each antenna in the array requires a polyphase filter bank
 - ❖ Goals: $F_{clk} = 200 \text{ MHz}$ and throughput = 800 MS/s

Background

- ❖ APERTIF Polyphase Filter bank
- ❖ Polyphase FIR filter
- ❖ FFT



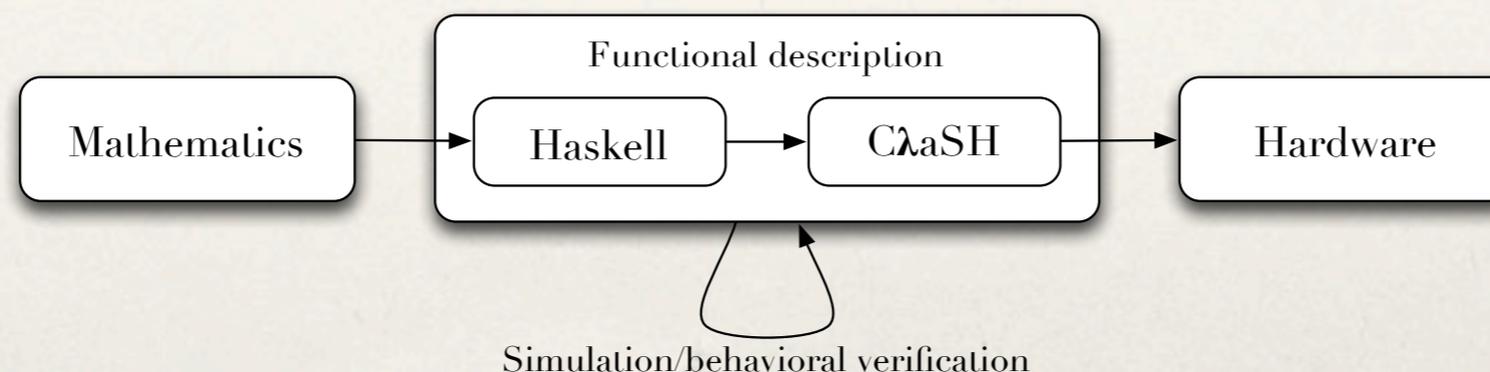
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- ❖ Design method
- ❖ Polyphase filter
- ❖ FFT pipeline

Describing the PFB

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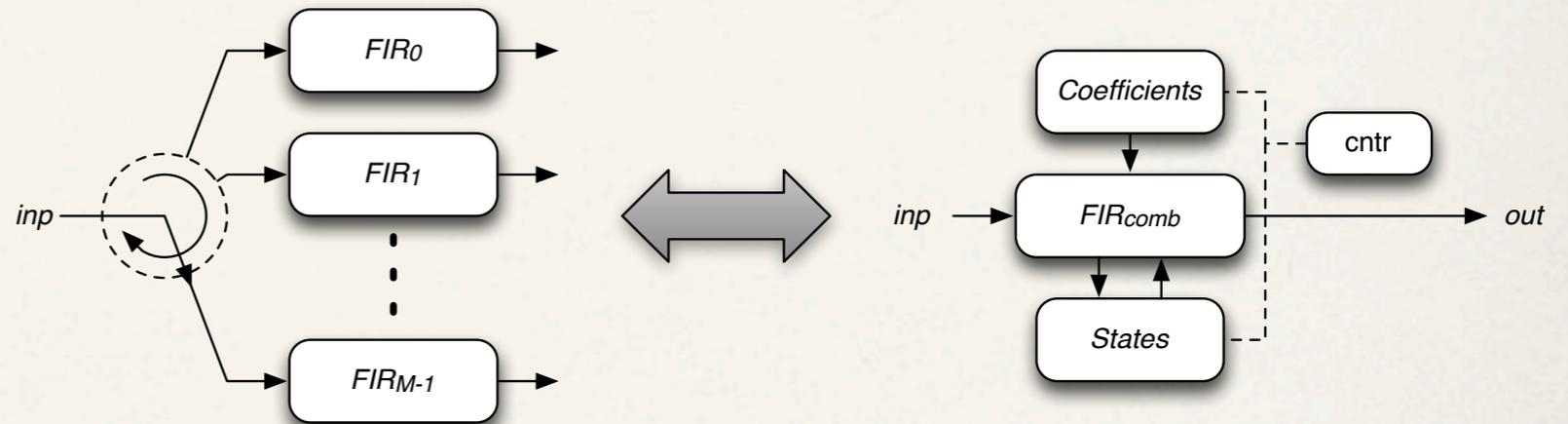
- ❖ Design whole Architecture first in plain Haskell
- ❖ Perform small modification such that the code is accepted by CλaSH
 - ❖ Lists are replaced by vectors: lists with fixed length
 - ❖ Fixed point representation for numbers
- ❖ A clear division between structure and low level hardware details



Describing the PFB

Polyphase Filter

- ❖ A set of FIR filters sequentially activated
- ❖ Parallelization of $P=4$ needed



$$pfs\ css\ (uss, cntr)\ inp = ((uss', cntr'), out)$$

where

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$$cs = css \ ! \ cntr$$

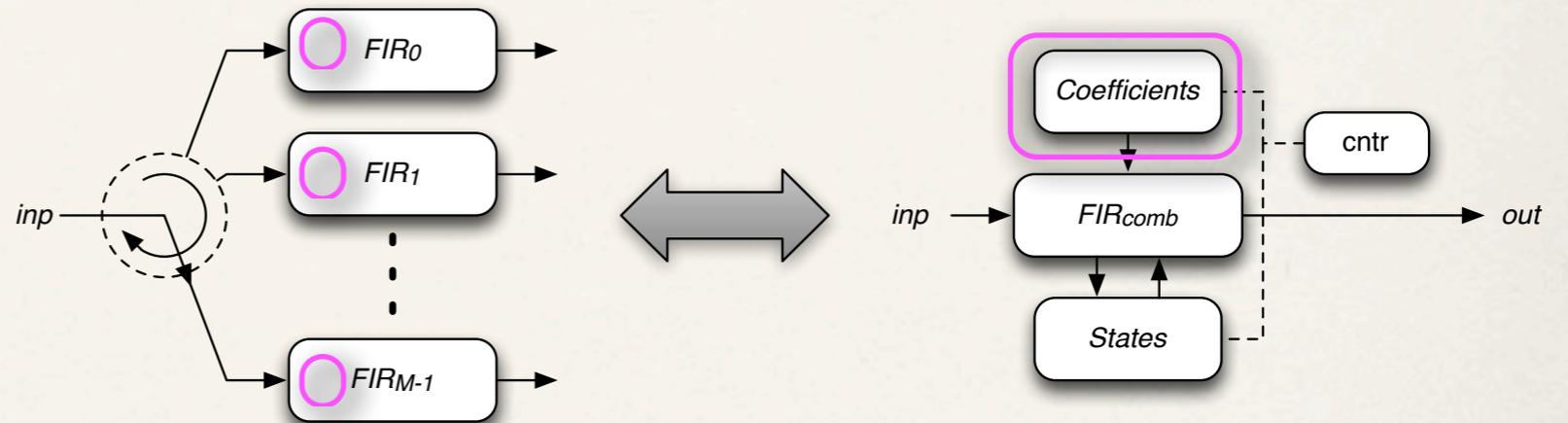
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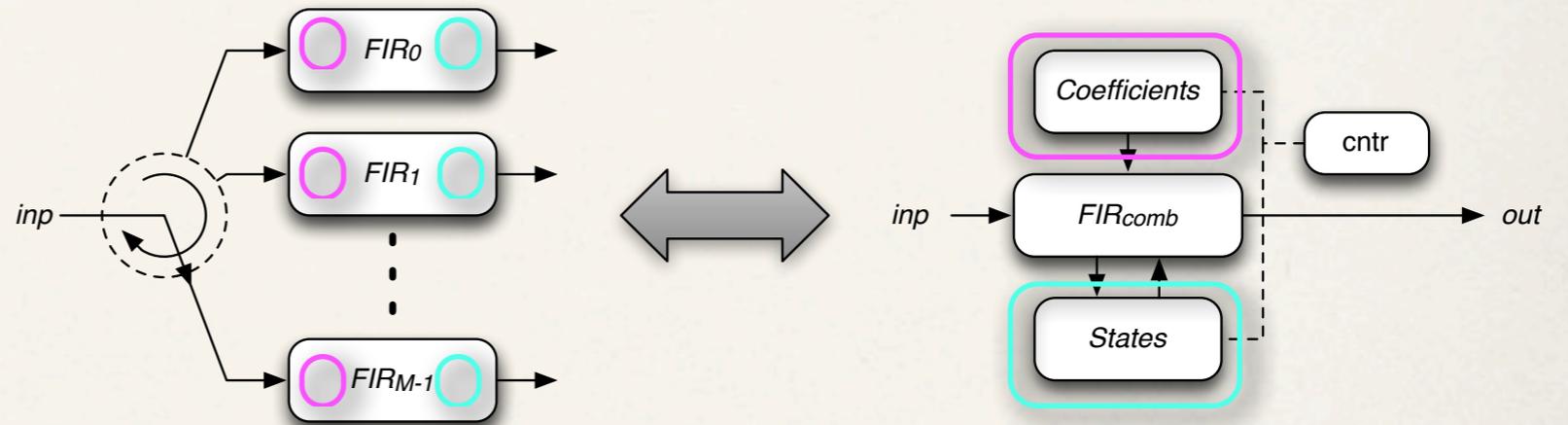
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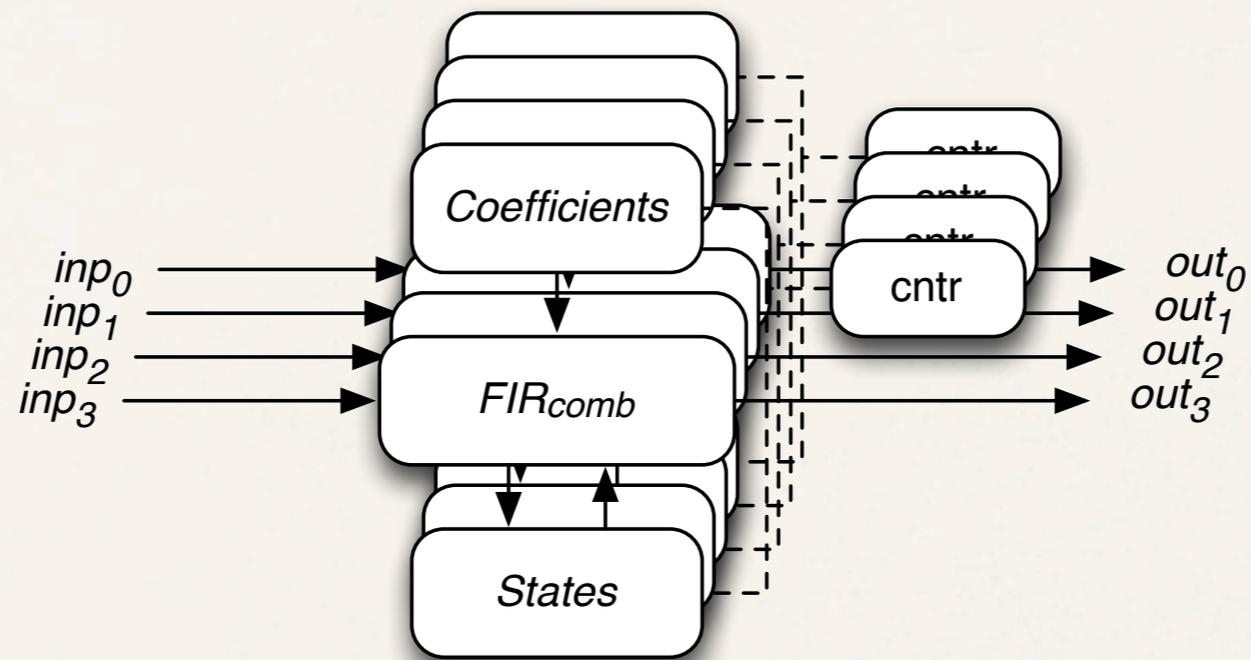
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Parallel Polyphase Filter



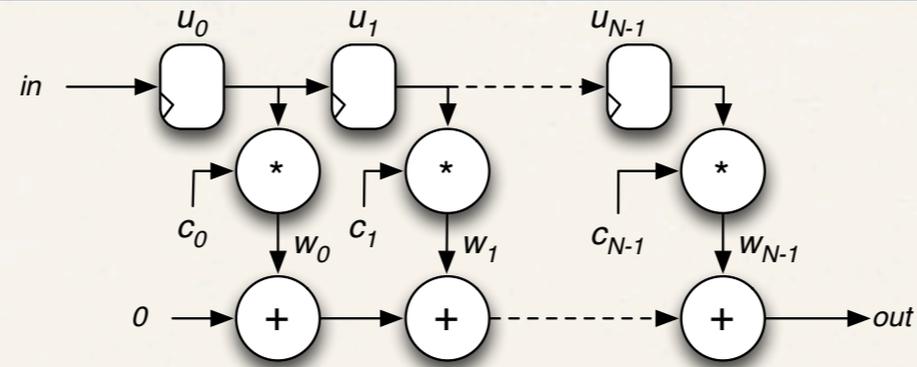
$parpfs\ csss\ states\ inps = (states',\ outs)$

where

$res = zipWith3\ pfs\ csss\ states\ inps$

$(states',\ outs) = unzip\ res$

Describing the PFB FIR filter: Haskell \rightarrow C λ aSH



$fir :: [Double] \rightarrow (State [Double]) \rightarrow Double \rightarrow (State [Double], Double)$
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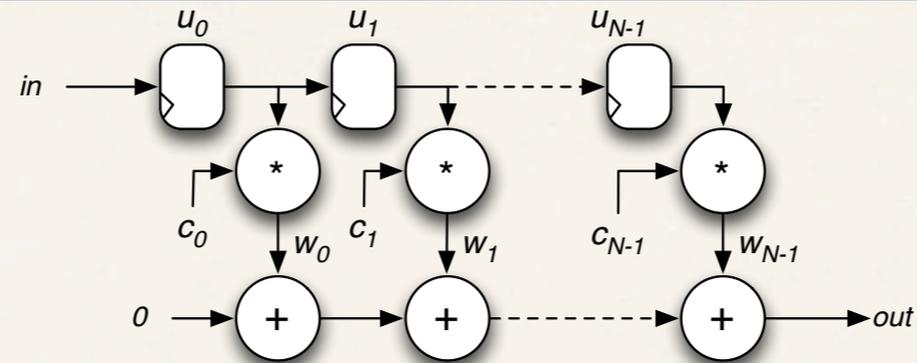
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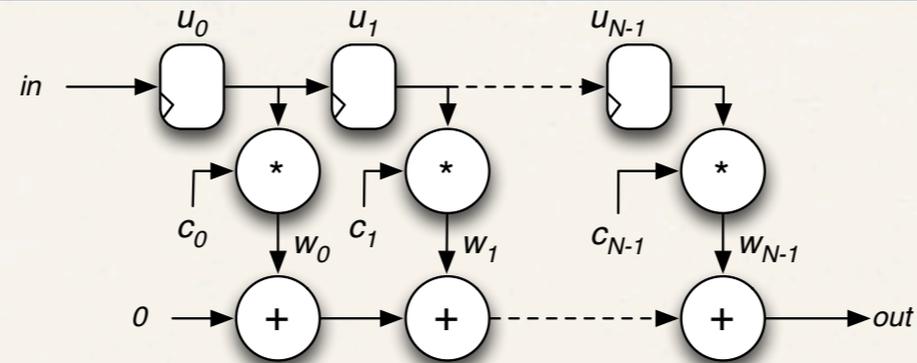
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 $fir \ cs \ (State \ us) \ inp \ = \ (State \ us, \ out)$

where

$us = inp +\gg us$
 $ws = vzipWith 'fpmult' uscs$
 $out = vfoldl (+) 0 ws$

Describing the PFB

FIR filter: Haskell \rightarrow C λ aSH



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fir :: [Double]  $\rightarrow$  (State [Double])  $\rightarrow$  Double  $\rightarrow$  (State [Double], Double)
fir  cs      (State us)      inp    = (State us , out)
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where

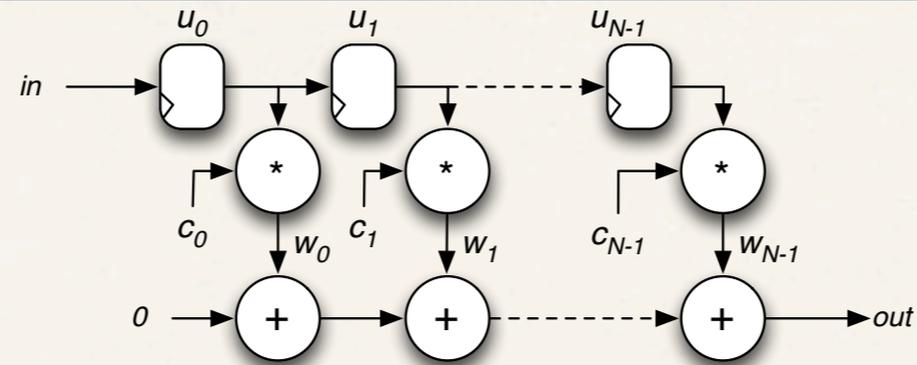
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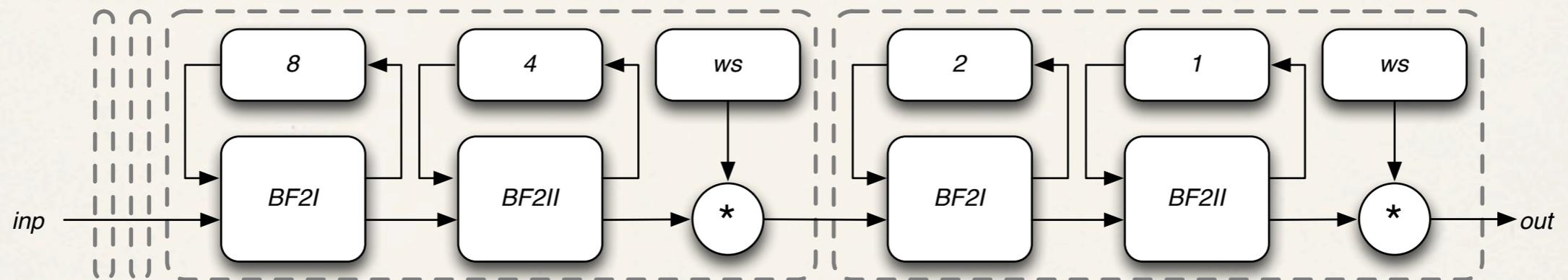
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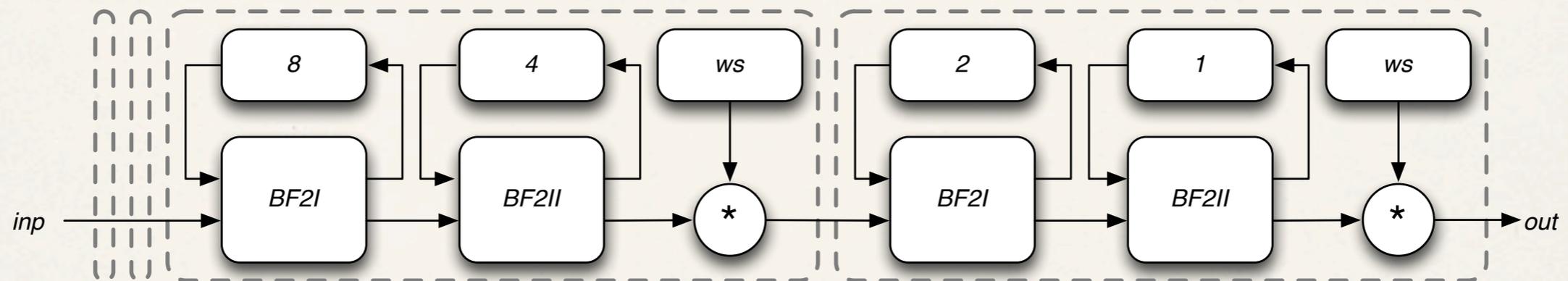
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FFT pipeline



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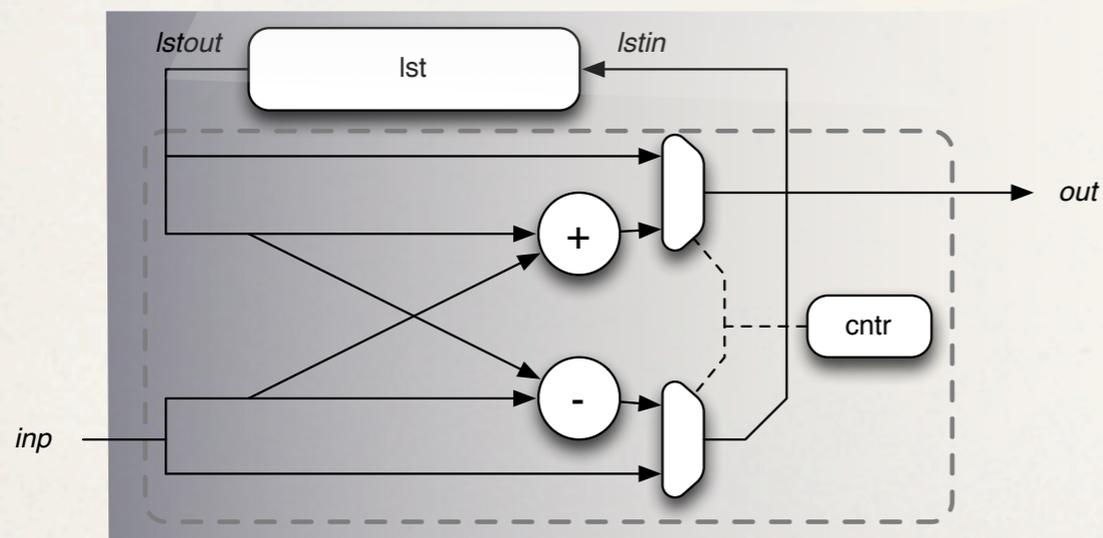
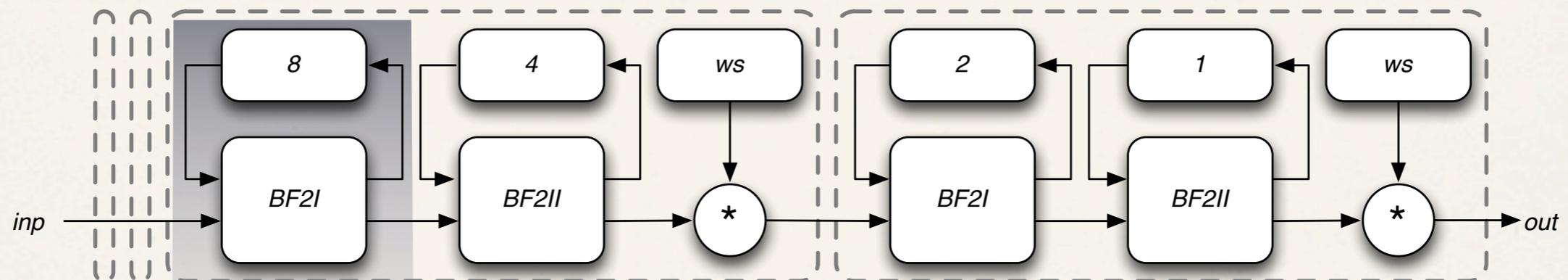
FFT pipeline



- ❖ FFT is implemented using pipeline
- ❖ Two types of butterflies and Complex multiplier

Describing the PFB

FFT pipeline



$bf2i (cntr, lst) inp = ((cntr', lst'), out)$

where

$n = \text{length } lst$

$cntr' = (cntr + 1) \text{ 'mod' } n$

$lst' = lstin + \gg lst$

$(out, lstin) = \text{if } cntr \geq n$

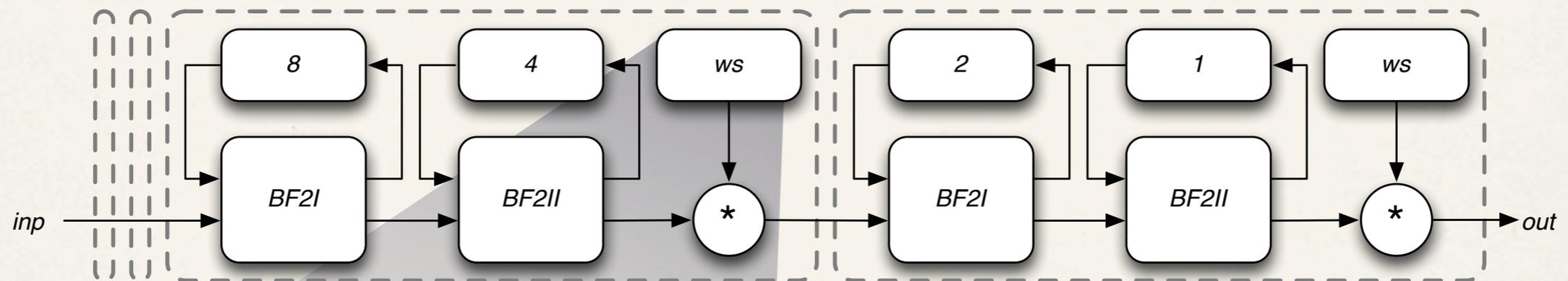
then $(lstout + inp, lstout - inp)$

else $(lstout, inp)$

$lstout = \text{last } lst$

Describing the PFB

FFT pipeline



$cmult\ ws\ cntr\ inp = (cntr', out)$

where

$n = length\ ws$

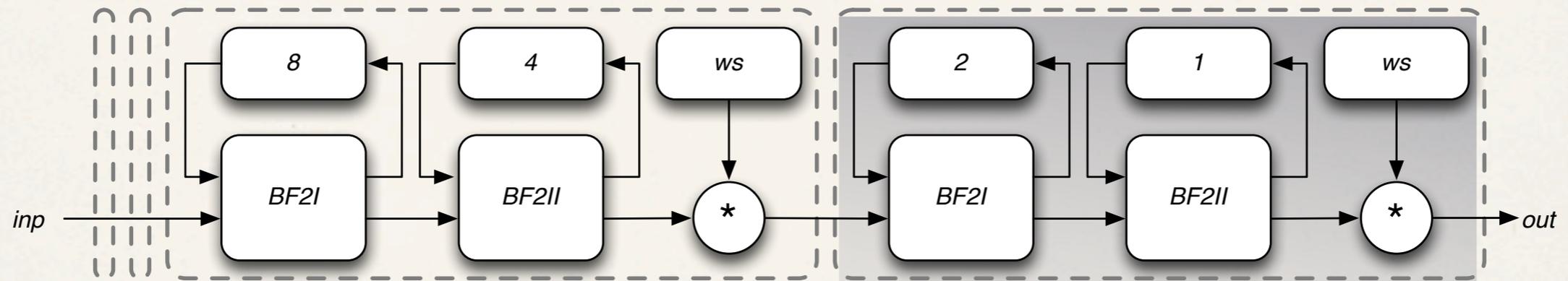
$cntr' = (cntr + 1) \text{ 'mod' } n$

$w = ws ! cntr$

$out = inp * w$

Describing the PFB

FFT pipeline



$fftbb\ ws\ (bf1state, bf2state, cmstate)\ inp = ((bf1state', bf2state', cmstate'), out)$

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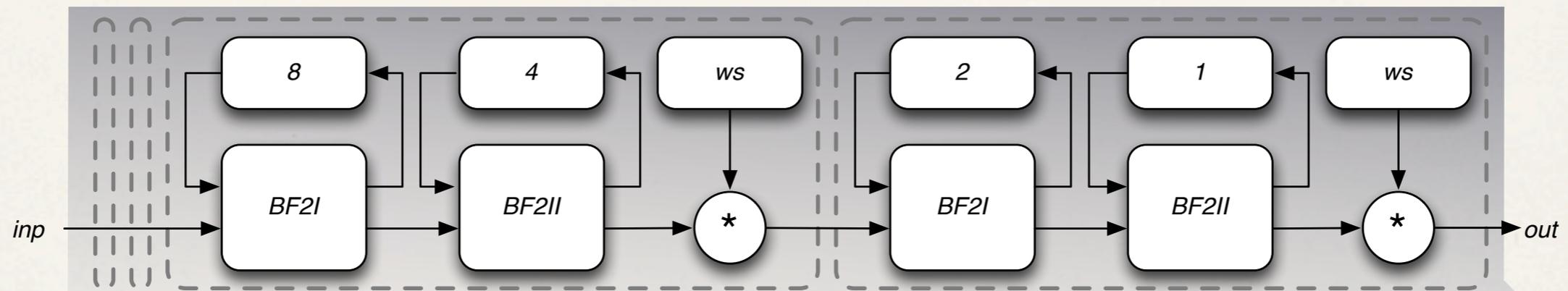
$(bf1state', a) = bf2i\ bf1state\ inp$

$(bf2state', b) = bf2ii\ bf2state\ a$

$(cmstate', out) = cmult\ ws\ cmstate\ b$

Describing the PFB

FFT pipeline



$fftchain (ws1, ws2, \dots) (bb1state, bb2state, \dots) inp = ((bb1state', bb2state', \dots), out)$
where

$$(bb1state', d1) = fftbb \ ws1 \ bb1state \ inp$$

$$(bb2state', d2) = fftbb \ ws2 \ bb2state \ d1$$

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$$(bbNstate', out) = fftbb \ wsN \ bbNstate \ d9$$

Describing the PFB

FFT BF2I: Haskell \rightarrow CλaSH

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bf2i_clash (cntr, lst) inp = ((cntr', lst'), out)
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    n          = vlength lst
    cntr'      = cntr + 1
    lst'       = lstin +>> lst
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Results

- ❖ Polyphase filter bank has been fully implemented using C λ aSH
- ❖ Simulation shows that the PFB operates correctly
- ❖ Synthesis revealed some limitations of the current compiler

	Polyphase filter(256 elements)	1k-points FFT
Logic utilization	91%	6%
blockRAMS	0	0
DSP blocks	128	70
Max. F_{clk}	114 MHz	195 MHz

Conclusions

- ❖ The complete Polyphase Filter Bank has been implemented
- ❖ Haskell code needs only small modifications before it is accepted by the C λ aSH compiler
- ❖ The description is purely parallel (structural) and cycle accurate
- ❖ Shortcomings of C λ aSH compiler
 - ❖ Large coefficient vectors not supported
 - ❖ BlockRAM not supported, limiting F_{clk}

Future Work

- ❖ Develop area vs time trade off based on functional description
- ❖ Improvements for the C λ aSH compiler
 - ❖ Support for blockRAMs on FPGA
 - ❖ Support for memory initialization files for coefficient vectors

Questions ?
