Maxeler project

Euclidean algorithm for computing the greatest common divisor

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GCD on control flow

 Easy to implement, many different implementations

 Time complexity dependent on number of digits function gcd(a, b)
while b ≠ 0
t := b
b := a mod b
a := t
return a

GCD from CF to DF

- No while loops
- End contidion
- Mod function
- Output

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Implementation

- While to for
- End condition
- Mod function
- Division correction
- Output

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for (int i=5;i > 0 ; i--)
{
    DFEVar condition = constant > 0;
    t = condition ? constant : t;
    constant = condition ? mod(a,constant) : constant;
    a = condition ? t : a;
}
```

Implementation



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Possible improvements

- Parallelization
- Optimization (less ifs)

• Different algorithm

Results

Simulation

• DFE

GOTO: possible improvements

Conclusion

- It's hard (at first)
- It's hard (even later)

Paradigm changes