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ABSTRACT

This project reports the implementation of digital guitar effect processors on Altera DE2 development board. This project deals with analog signal processing where signals are sent to DE2 board when the guitar player play the guitar that is connected through line in port. In order to perform the digital signal processing, the analog audio signal is first converted to digitized audio data by using the WM8731 audio CODEC chip in DE2 board. This audio CODEC chip must be configured correctly. Guitar effect processors are implemented into FPGA to perform the digital processing for those digitized audio data. These guitar effect processors will be contain of two types of effects which is the distortion effect and delay/echo effect where they are developed and implemented in the FPGA architecture with VHDL language. The processed audio data is then converted back to analog signal and sent to the speaker for the sound amplification through line out port.

ABSTRAK

Projek ini melaporkan pemuatan efek gitar prosesor digital pada papan pembangunan Altera DE2. Projek ini akan berurusan dengan pemprosesan isyarat analog di mana isyarat ini akan dihantar ke papan DE2 pada ketika pemain gitar sedang bermain gitar yang disambungkan kepada saluran *line in jack*. Dalam rangka untuk melakukan pemprosesan isyarat digital, isyarat audio analog hendaklah terlebih dahulu ditukar menjadi data audio digital dengan menggunakan cip audio *CODEC WM8731* dalam board DE2. Cip audio *CODEC* ini haruslah diaturcarakan supaya sesuai untuk membuatnya berpadanan bekerja dengan projek. Prosesor efek gitar diimplementasikan ke dalam *FPGA* untuk melakukan pemprosesan digital untuk data audio yang telah didigitalkan. Prosesor efek gitar akan mengandungi dua jenis kesan yang merupakan kesan distorsi dan menunda / kesan gema yang mana ianya akan dibangunkan dan dilaksanakan dalam seni bina *FPGA* dengan bahasa *VHDL*. Data audio yang diproses kemudian ditukar kembali ke isyarat analog dan dihantar ke speaker untuk amplifikasi bunyi melalui *line out jack*.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

DSP	-	Digital Signal Processing
FPGA	-	Field Programmable Logic Array
PDSP	-	Programmable Digital Signal Processor
ADC	-	Analog Digital Converter
DAC	-	Digital Analog Converter
I2C	-	Inter Integrated Circuit
HDL	-	Hardware Design Language
VHSICHDL	-	Very High Speed Integrated Circuit Hardware Design Language
CAD	-	Computer aid design
RAM	-	Random Access Memory

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Music is an important part of most people's lives where it can entertain and bring joy to those who are listening to it. Listening to music changes our emotions [1, 2, 3], our moods [4], our efficiency [5], our shopping behavior [6] and even our eating behavior [7, 8]. Music can come from many sources and guitar is one of the good instruments that can be played to produce a nice sound to compose the music. Since the invention of the electric guitar within the year of 1940, many guitar effects has been purposely created in order to change and to make the sound of the guitar become more interesting and can be adapted to certain style of music. Since then, most of the invented guitar effects are designed in the form of analog circuitry. Nowadays, the audio signal processing has become more and more developed especially in the field of Digital Signal Processing (DSP). Meanwhile, at the present time, Electronic Industry has offered us new possibilities to develop our own digital hardware without spending such high quantities of money. For example, the use of Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA) can essentially allows the developer to develop as many designs as they wanted to by using only a single chip of the FPGA in which, it can be reprogrammed as if it were a software-based system. FPGA are on the verge of revolutionizing digital signal processing in the manner that programmable digital signal processor (PDSP) did nearly two decades ago [9].The upcoming technology of complete systems on a single programmable chip contrasts such a software centric solution, because it combines

software and hardware via some co-design methodology and makes for a promising alternative for the future of real-time audio.

1.1 Introduction to Altera DE2 board

The Altera Development and Education (DE2) board from Terasic Technologies Inc. is a wonderful platform for learning about digital logic, computer organization, and FPGAs. Featuring an Altera Cyclone II FPGA, the DE2 board offers varied technology suitable for university and college laboratory use, a wide range of design projects, as well as sophisticated digital system development tools [10]. A picture of the DE2 board is shown in Figure 1.1. It depicts the layout of the board and indicates the location of the connectors and key components which is available to be used for multiple purposes.

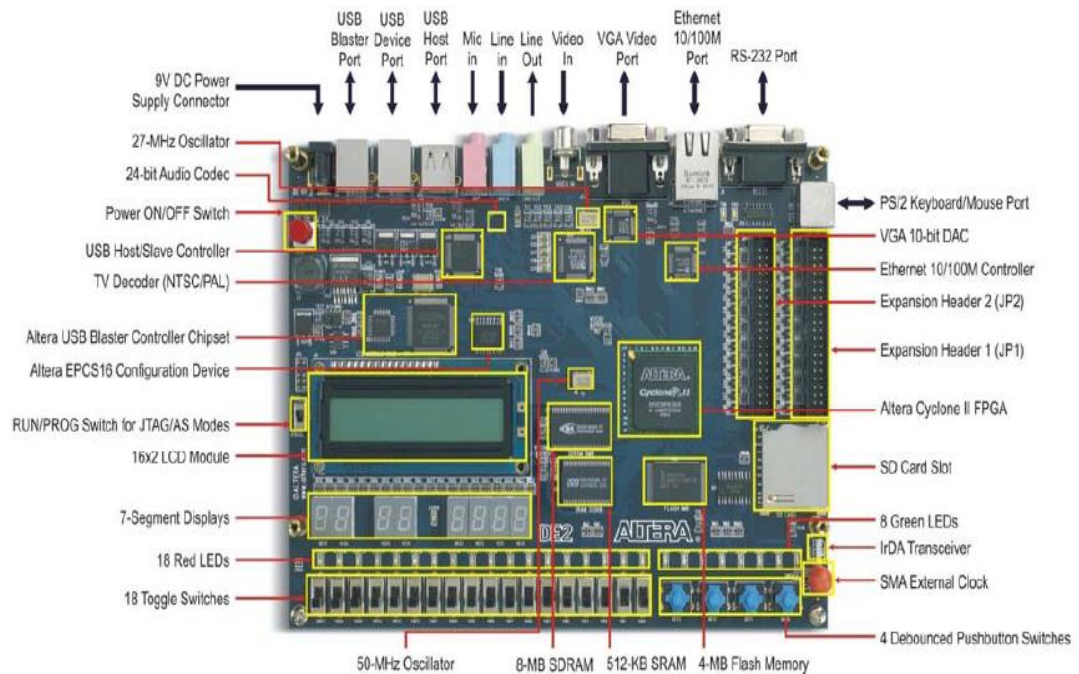


Figure 1.1: Altera DE2 development and education board

The following hardware is provided on the DE2 board:

Table 1.1: DE2 board information

Feature	Description
FPGA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyclone II EP2C35F672C6 with EPCS16 16-Mbit serial configuration device
Devices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Built-in USB-Blaster cable for FPGA configuration • 10/100 Ethernet • RS232 • Video Out (VGA 10-bit DAC) • Video In (NTSC/PAL/Multi-format) • USB 2.0 (type A and type B) • PS/2 mouse or keyboard port • Line In/Out, Microphone In (24-bit Audio CODEC) • Expansion headers (76 signal pins) • Infrared port
Memory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8-MBytes SDRAM, 512K SRAM, 4-MBytes Flash • SD memory card slot
Display	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 x 2 LCD display • Eight 7-segment displays
Switches and LEDs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18 toggle switches • 18 red LEDs • 9 green LEDs • Four debounced pushbutton switches
Clocks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 MHz crystal for FPGA clock input • 27 MHz crystal for video applications • External SMA clock input

In addition to these hardware features, the DE2 board has software support for standard I/O interfaces and a control panel facility for accessing various components. The computer aid design (CAD) tool represent as the software of Quartus II Web Edition

and Nios II Embedded Processor is a compliment for the DE2 board that allows the user to develop any design and then implement them into the FPGA. Figure 1.2 gives the block diagram of the DE2 board. To provide maximum flexibility for the user, all connections are made through the Cyclone II FPGA device. Thus, the user can configure the FPGA to implement any system design.

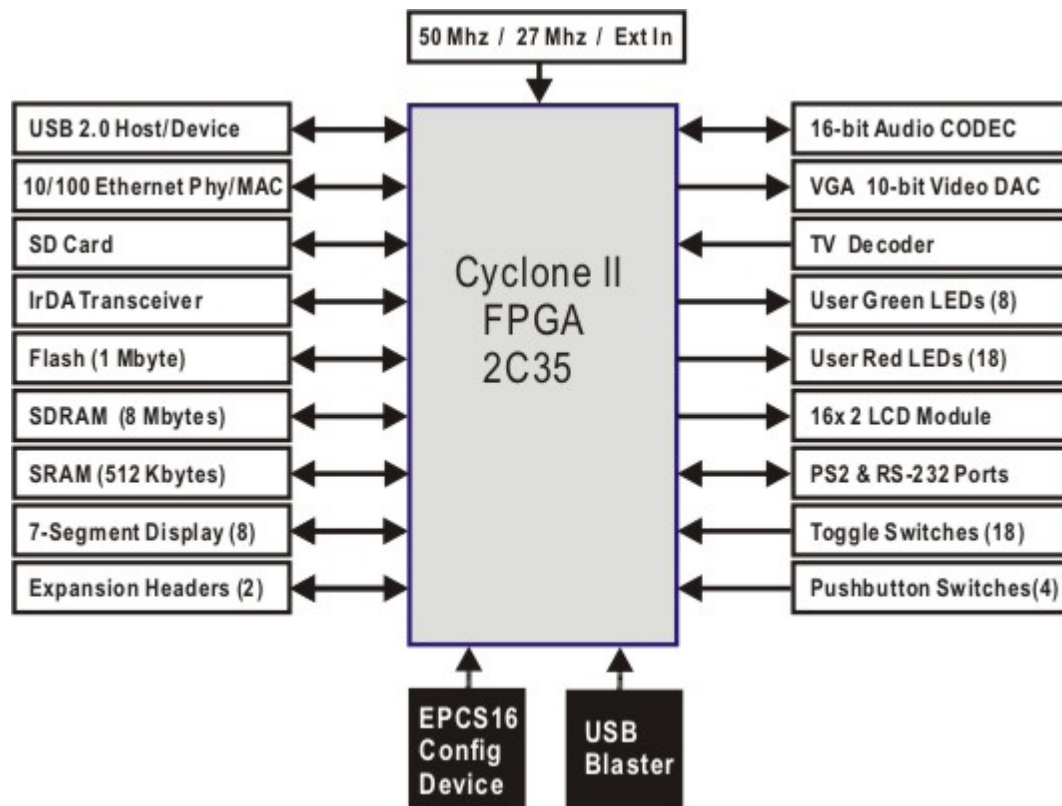


Figure 1.2: Block diagram of the DE2 board

All of this enhancement can be used to allow the user to implement various designs of circuits, from simple circuits to various multimedia projects in which can also be used to dealing with digital signal processing for sound since this DE2 board is fully equipped with audio codec chip hardware which can be used to digitized the sound data to be processed into our own processing design

1.2 Introduction of DSP with FPGA

DSP techniques have been used in wide variety of areas including audio processing, image processing, and control, instrumentation and communication system. The application for DSP included digital filter, image compression, speech recognition, and digital audio. FPGAs offer a more native implementation for most DSP algorithms. Each task is allocated its own resources, and runs independently. It intuitively makes more sense to process each step of a continuously streaming signal processing chain in an assembly line-like process, with dedicated resources for each step [11]. This yields compact, low power, and low cost digital design.

Audio processing is one of the digital signals processing with analog input. So, in audio system, the analog audio signal is first converted to digitized audio data and after that only the signal can be processed within user-define system. For this purpose, the DE2 board provides high-quality 24-bit audio via the Wolfson WM8731 audio CODEC. IC WM8731 is one of kind's audio codec that can process audio signal. FPGA is used to control IC audio CODEC WM8731 on DE2 board to produce the wanted output signals. This chip supports microphone-in, line-in, and line-out ports, with a sample rate adjustable from 8 kHz to 96 kHz. The WM8731 is controlled by a serial I2C bus interface, which is connected to pins on the Cyclone II FPGA. A schematic diagram for this WM8731 chip is shown in Figure 1.3.

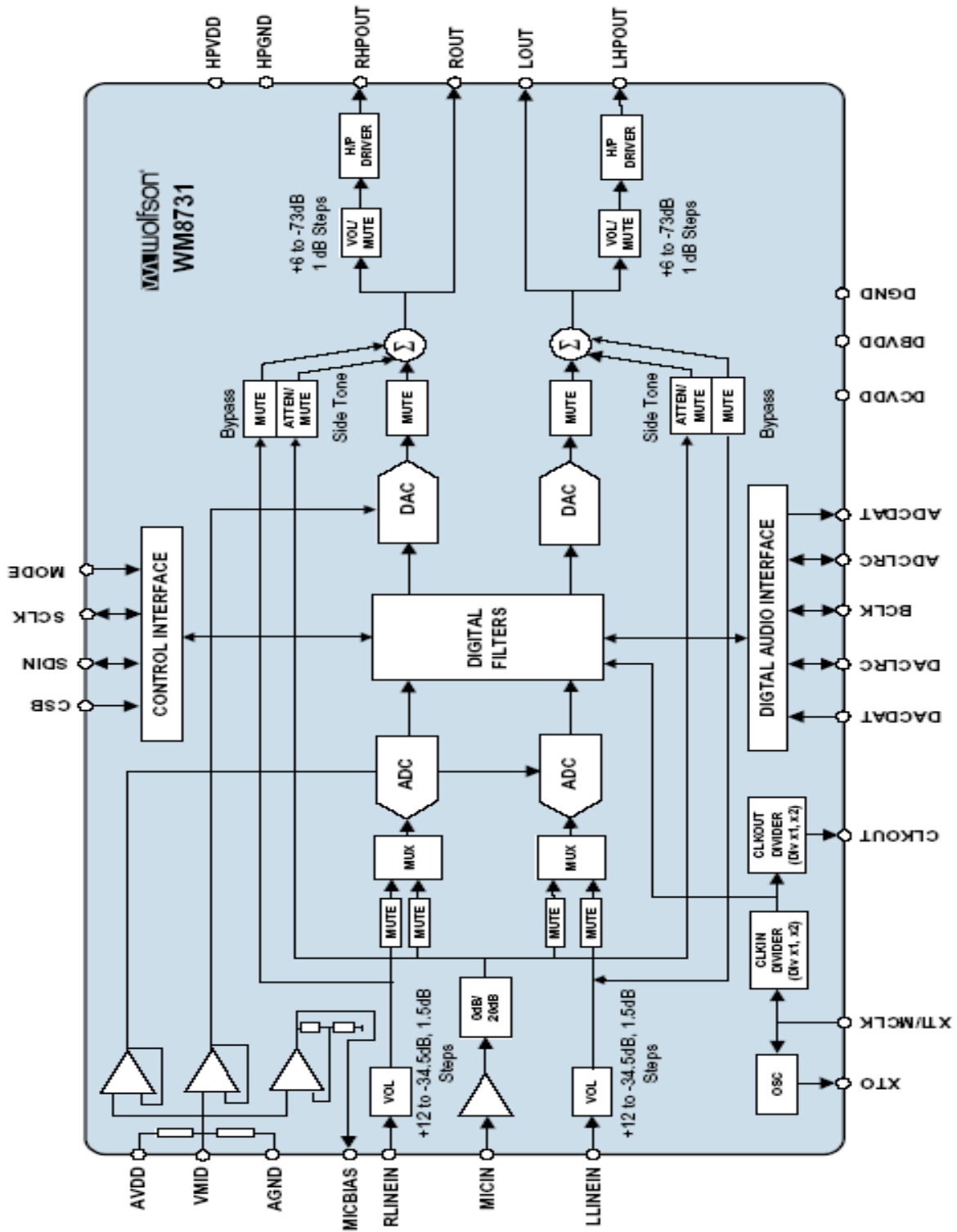


Figure 1.3: Schematic diagram for chip WM8731

1.3 Introduction of Guitar Effect Pedals

In many guitar player's careers, there comes a time when they are unable to find an appropriate sound with their guitar and amp, no matter how much tweaking and fine-tuning is done. In these situations, guitarists will often use effects pedals to alter their instrument's sound in a particular manner. There are many, many different types of effects that can be found for the guitar. For example, there is reverb, fuzz, delay, chorus, distortion and so on. Figure 1.4 shows a picture of an example for metal-zone guitar effect pedals which has been selling in the market today. Of all the different types of effects available, perhaps the most popular is still overdrive/distortion. While many amplifiers offer built-in distortion, often guitarists find that separate distortion units provide more tonal flexibility and to give them more satisfaction.



Figure 1.4: Metal-zone guitar effect pedal

1.4 Problem Statement

Design exploration based on the DE2 board enhancement had not yet fully being used by UTM's undergraduate student. The component of ADC and DAC part within the DE2 board has never been used by any of our undergraduate student. This is a good opportunity to explore this features of the DE2 board in the purpose to modeling our own guitar effects and it is indeed will be a worthy effort since it can be used for the future students of UTM to do other project that need to be dealing with ADC and DAC such as the project of voice recognition

Meanwhile, a single guitar effect pedal price in the market is mostly rated at the price more than \$100 USD [12] and the price of the DE2 board is normally sold at \$495 USD, but for academic purpose, it is sold at the price of \$269 USD [13]. If we are to compare the price of a single DE2 board with a single guitar effect pedals, it is indeed that the price of the DE2 board are much higher. However, despite that fact, by using DE2 board, we can actually modeling multiple of our own guitar effects while applying knowledge within various scopes in order to implement the effects into only a FPGA of the DE2 board. Just imagine, if we can implement 3 of the guitar effect into a single DE2 board, then the price of the DE2 board won't be a matter as if it is in a need to argue.

Besides that, it is much easier to modeling the guitar effect model by using the method of Hardware/Software co-design approach for embedded system design since by this way; we do not have to spend high quantities of money and time. Any design can be synthesis to verify its output by using the CAD tools of Quartus II and this is a very convenient way to debug and fix the problem within the design rather than to modeling the guitar effect as in the form of analog hardware.

1.5 Objectives

The main objective of this project is to produce a Guitar Effect Processor sound system by implementing some of the guitar effects pedals design into DE2 board which are:

- i. Distortion Effect Processor: this model will boost and clips the guitar signal at specific maximum and minimum value and this will produce an overdriven guitar sound.
- ii. Delay/Chorus Effect Processor: this model will make guitar sound like multiple guitars.

1.6 Scopes of Study

This scope of the project is mainly focused on the studying and understanding the Altera DE2 development board. Since the usage of ADC and DAC component within this platform is not yet being used by our students, further exploration based on that particular part is indeed a good opportunity. Generally, this is the scopes that we will be dealing with in order to complete this project:

- i. Application of DSP knowledge to create the guitar effects.
- ii. Application of the programming skills in Hardware Design Language (HDL) to realize the effects design.
- iii. Application of computer skills to generate the effects based on the specified software.
- iv. Application of the Hardware/Software co-design approach for embedded system design.

1.7 Methodology

The guitar effect processor will be developed by using Very High Speed Integrated Circuit Hardware Design Language (VHSICHDL) or more popularly known as VHDL. The software of Computer aid design (CAD) used for the programming platform is Quartus II Web Edition and then as to download the design them the Altera Cyclone II FPGA (DE2 board), programmer tool in the Quartus II is used. Figure 1.5 shows how the process of this project is done through several step which is arranged accordingly to ease the project design.

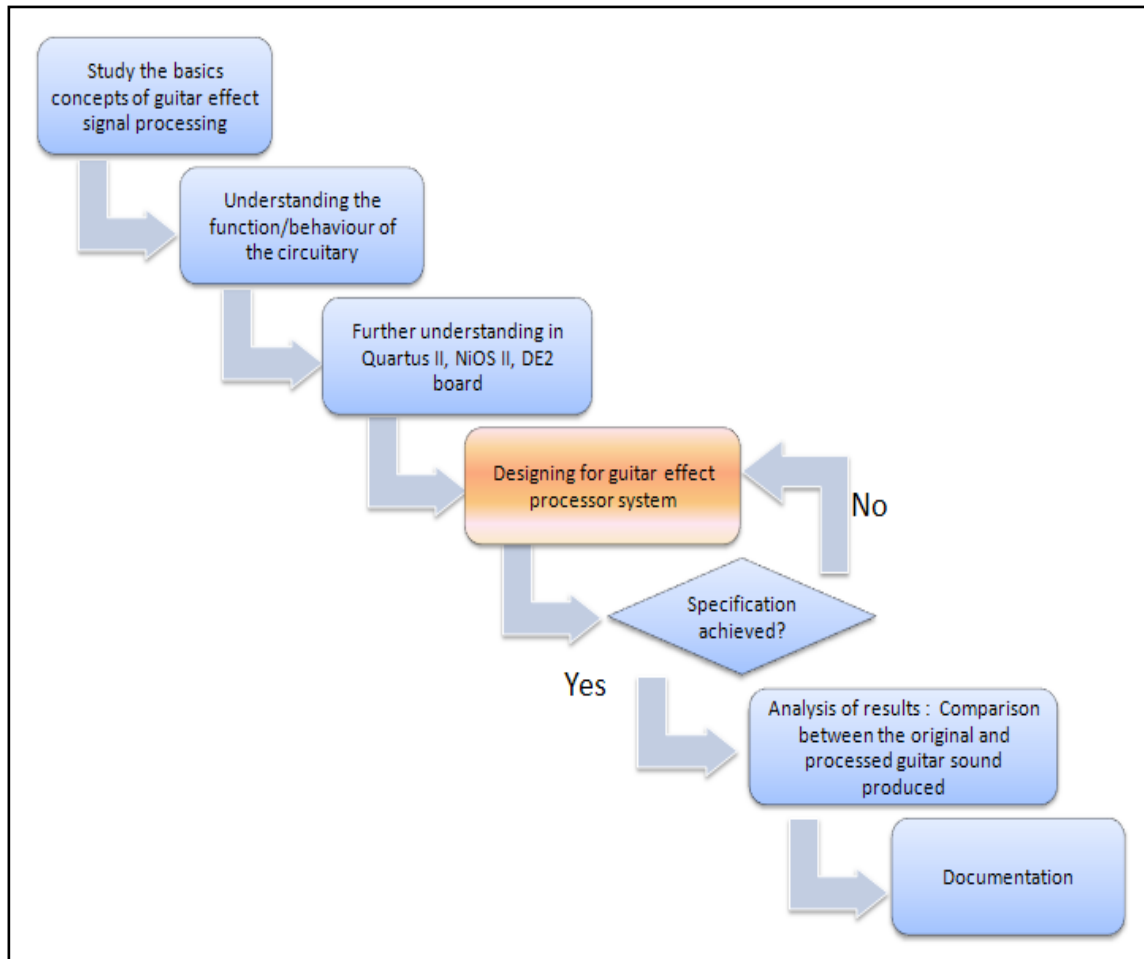


Figure 1.5: Overall progress for this project

As for the designing the guitar effect processor system, Figure 1.6 show the guidelines that is followed to ensure the design is working according to the specification needed until it can be implemented within the FPGA.

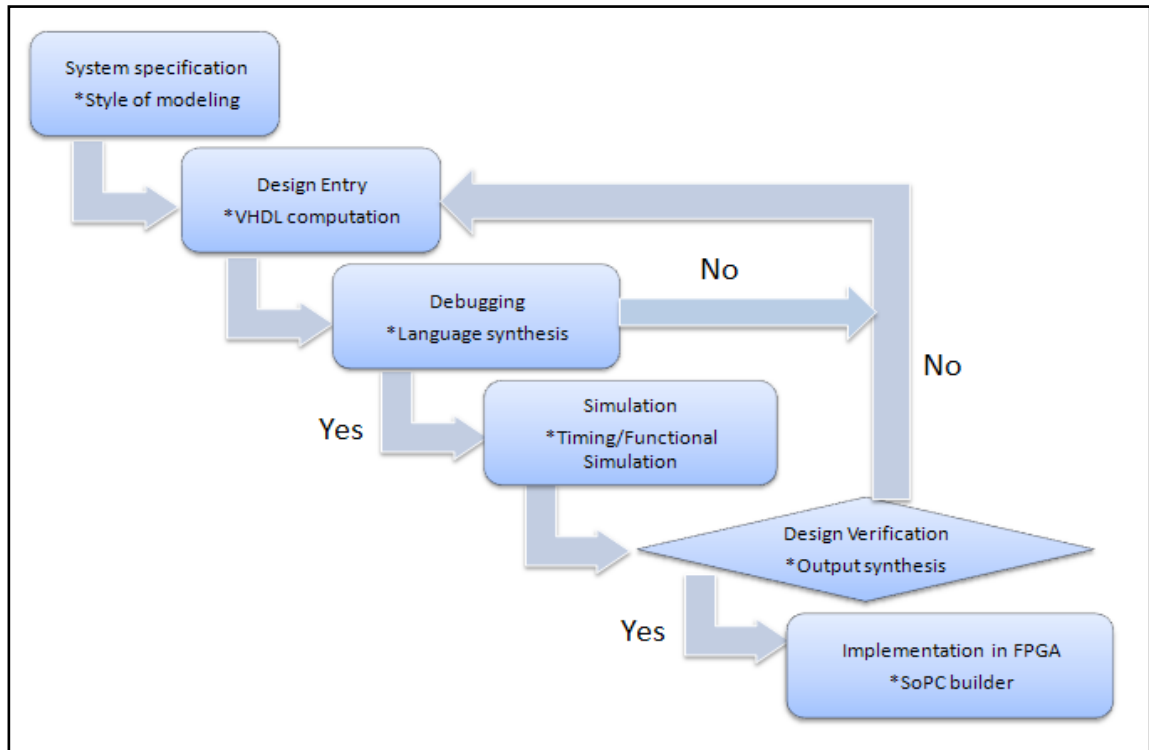


Figure 1.6: Design synthesis guidelines

Different circuit complexities require different kinds of specification or levels of abstraction [14]. In general there are three modeling style in VHDL that can be used to adapt the design of digital system which is:

- i. Structural Modeling
- ii. Dataflow Modeling
- iii. Behavioral Modeling

By this way, guitar effect processor design can essentially be developed and implemented.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

This chapter will discuss briefly about the theory and research from other researchers related to the project.

2.1 Signal Processing for the Electric Guitar

An acoustic guitars sound is largely dependent on the vibration of the guitar's body and the air within it; the sound of an electric guitar is largely dependent on an electrical signal, generated by the vibration of the strings and shaped on its path to the amplifier. By the late 1960s, it became common practice to exploit this dependence to alter the sound of the instrument. The most dramatic innovation was the generation of distortion by increasing the gain, or volume, of the preamplifier in order to clip the electronic signal. This form of distortion generates harmonics, particularly in odd multiples of the input frequency, which are considered pleasing to the ear. Basically, Figure 2.1 shows how does the signal from the guitar is processed where this signal flows through from guitar through cable to a series of signal processing circuitry which can be any guitar effect pedals, and then is sent through the speakers of a guitar amplifier. By the 1980s and 1990s, digital effects became capable of replicating the

analog effects used in the past. These new digital effects attempted to model the sound produced by analog effects, to varying degrees of quality. Hence the use of the FPGA to modeling digital guitar effects would create a new possibility of phenomena in the new design of guitar effects.

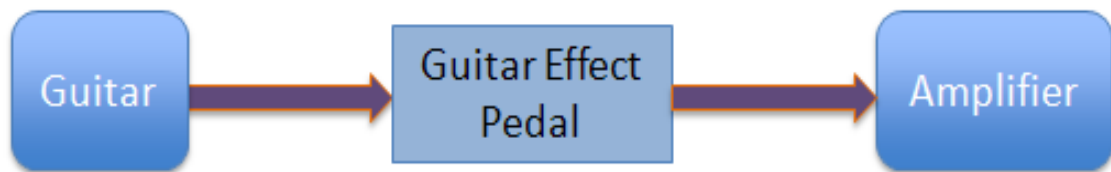


Figure 2.1: Basic configuration of guitar's signal processing

2.2 Electric Guitar Distortion Pedal Design

Distortion of a guitar signal is created by clipping. There are two basic types of distortion for guitar: soft clipping and hard clipping. Soft clipping is generally referred to by members of the music industry as “overdrive”, while hard clipping is commonly called “distortion”. This pedal is a heavy metal distortion effect, and heavy metal guitar sound is created by almost exclusively hard clipping circuitry for the crucial heavily distorted sound that defines the genre of music. From this point on, the term “distortion” will be used to refer to hard clipping, which in the most basic sense is clipping the peaks and troughs off of the sinusoidal signal that makes up any audio signal. Figure 1.8 is an example of a distorted waveform.

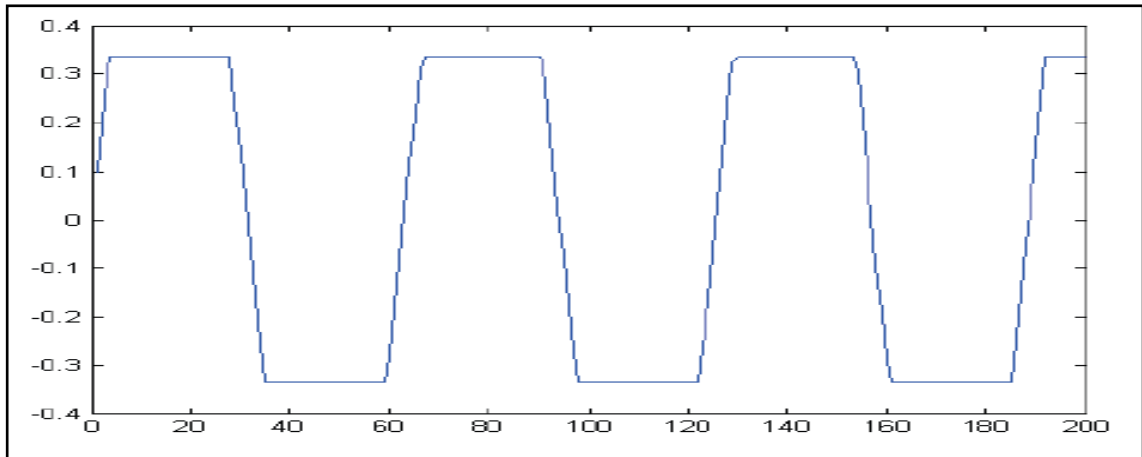


Figure 2.2: Example of a distorted waveform

2.3 Electric Guitar Delay Pedal Design

In popular and electronic music, electric guitarists use delay to produce densely overlaid textures of notes with rhythms complementary to the music. Vocalists and other instrumentalists use it to add a dense or ethereal quality to their playing. Extremely long delays of 10 seconds or more are often used to create loops of a whole musical phrase. These effects can reproduce whole chunks of the original sound at particular time-based intervals, so the detail of the part can be mostly preserved. A delay circuit memorizes the audio signal and plays it back after a delay time from several milliseconds to several seconds. Most delays will have a feedback control (or regeneration) which takes the output of the delay, and sends it back to the input. If the feedback gain is less than one, the sound will repeat over and over, becoming quieter each time it plays back. In short, a simple circuit delay takes an audio signal, and plays it back after the delay time. The delay time can range from several milliseconds to several seconds.

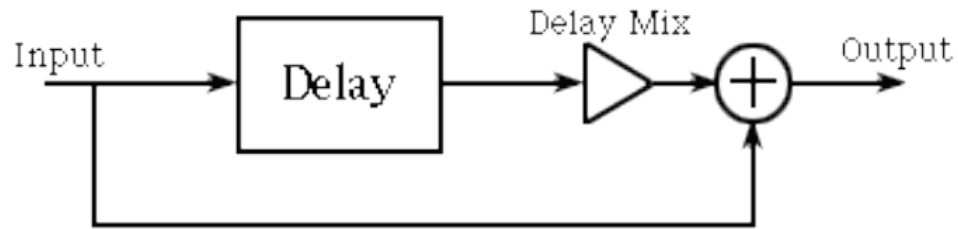


Figure 2.3: Delay/Echo effect system flow

2.4 Principle DSP of Analog Signal

Since this project will be dealing with analog input signal which comes from the guitar, therefore a little briefing in DSP of analog signal would be a good approach. Digital signal processing is distinguished from other areas in computer science by the unique type of data it uses, which are signals. In most cases, these signals originate as sensory data from the real world: seismic vibrations, visual images, and sound waves [15]. DSP is the mathematics, the algorithms, and the techniques used to manipulate these signals after they have been converted into a digital form. This includes a wide variety of goals, such as enhancement of visual images, recognition and generation of speech, and compression of data for storage and transmission. Digital signal processing of an analog signal can be divided into three basic steps.

- i. Conversion of the analog signal into digital data
- ii. Processing of the digital data
- iii. Lastly, reversion of the processed digital data into analog signal

These three basic steps can be show in block diagram Figure 2.3.

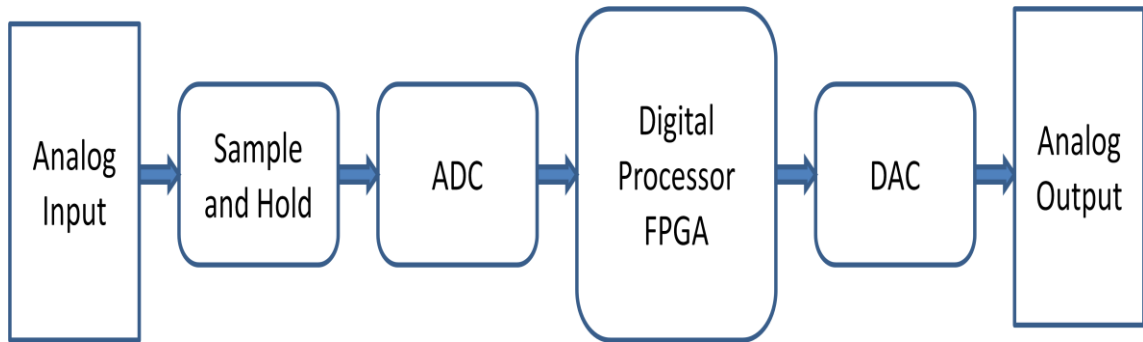


Figure 2.4: Scheme for the digital processing of an analog signal

Since the amplitude of analog input signal varies with time. Thus, a sample and hold circuit is needed before the analog digital conversion (ADC). The sample and hold circuit samples the analog signal at uniform interval and holds the sampled value constant after each sampling operation for sufficient time for accurate digital conversion by ADC. By this way, we can ensure the input signal from the analog input will not damage the component of ADC. The input to the ADC converter is a staircase-type analog signal if the Sample and Hold circuit holds the value until the next sampling instant [16]. The output of ADC is a binary data stream or a sequence of word. Each word represents a sample of the sequence. The word length of ADC output is given number of bit, limits the achievable dynamic range of the converter and accuracy to representing input analog signal [16]. The digital signal is then processed by the digital processor or FPGA where various design can be implemented to process the data. The output of the digital processor is converted into analog signal by digital analog converter (DAC).

CHAPTER 3

AUDIO CODEC WM8731 CONTROL

Among all, this is the critical things that need to be concerned. We must first set a right configuration of mode or criteria for WM8731 to operate with. If the codec chip is not configured accordingly then we might just end up getting no sound produced or might as well keep producing a clean sound that comes from guitar without being processed at all due to the bypass looping operation. In Figure 1.3 of Section 1.2, the codec chip can be configured through Control Interface by using either using either 3-wire serial interface or 2-wire serial interface [17], meanwhile the data and alignment clock to be processed can be obtained from Digital Audio Interface.

3.1 I2C Bus Controller

The FPGA communicates with the WM8731 via the I2C (Inter-Integrated Circuit) protocol using two pins: 'SDIN' (the data line), and 'SCLK' (the bus clock) Figure 3.1 shows the complete requirement of data transmission through I2C by using 2 wire mode control protocol that is used for this project. Within the procedure of the I2C bus, unique situations arise which are defined as START and STOP conditions. START means a high to low transition on the SDIN line while SCLK is high and STOP means a low to high transition on the SDIN line while SCLK is high .The master always

generates START and STOP conditions. The bus is considered to be busy after the START condition. The bus is considered to be free again a certain time after the STOP condition. The bus stays busy if a repeated START is generated instead of a STOP condition.

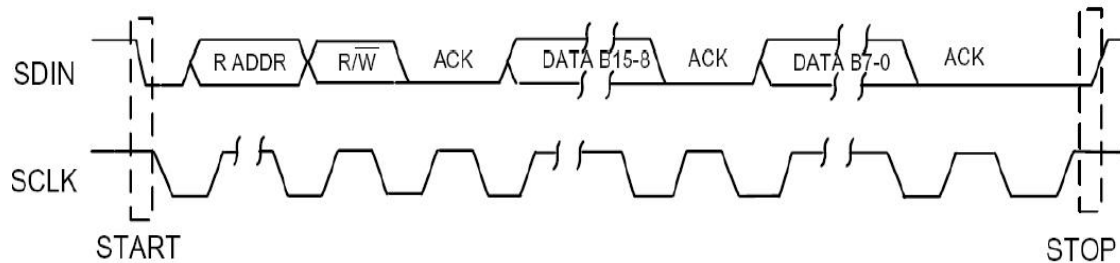


Figure 3.1: Data transmission through I2C using 2-wire serial interface mode

The data input signal is SDIN. It contains the information for the control interface. The controller was reprogrammed using the 2-wire interface with the EP2C35F672C6 FPGA in Cyclone II board. After the start condition that is a falling edge on SDIN while SCLK is high. The following seven bits determines which device receives the data which in this case is the CODEC chip. Table 3.1 shows the 2-Wire Interface address selection.

Table 3.1: 2-Wire MPU Interface Address Selection

CSB STATE	ADDRESS
0	0011010
1	0011011

The transfer is MSB first. The 7-bit address consists of a 6-bit base address + a single programmable bit to select one of two available addresses for this device. The first 6 bit of “001101” is the fixed address for the CODEC chip. The remaining address depends on the CSB state where for 2-wire mode interface, the state of the MODE pin of the most LSB bit is set as ‘0’. Consequently, the address for the CODEC chip with 2-wire

mode interface configuration, RADDR is “0011010”. After this address, the bit R/W determines the direction of data transfer, in this case a ‘0’ indicates ‘write’. The device recognizes the address and R/W by pulling SDIN low during the ninth clock cycle, acknowledging the data transfer. The control follows with two bit blocks (separated with another acknowledge) the first block B [15:9] contains the control address bits, and the second block B [8-0] contains the control data bits. The stop condition after the data transfer is a rising edge on SDIN when SCLK is high. If a start condition is detected out of the sequence at any point in the data transfer then the device will jump to the idle condition [18]. After a complete control operation, the audio codec returns to the idle state and waits for another start condition. Each write to a register requires the complete sequence of start condition, device address and R/W bit followed by the 16 register address and data bits.

The first idea was based on creating a VHDL module of the controller that adapts to the I2C standard. A basic module was designed, supporting the fundamental communication properties of the I2C protocol, although without any error handling at this stage in the design process. After verifying the basic functionality through simulation, the I2C standard was studied in more detail to complete the implementation. However, since the implementation of the rest of the protocol seemed to be a time consuming process, it was decided to take a closer look at the example which has been provided by Altera for the demonstration, in order to get the communication up and running

3.2 WM8731 Register Map

The WM8731 audio Codec has the following set of registers shown in Table 3.2, which is used to program the mode of operation. There are 11 registers for different mode control. The address register is 7 bits and the data is 9 bits. Total of 16 bits data

will be inserted in series to SDIN input port on audio codec with SCLK as what has been discussed in Section 3.1

Table 3.2: Register map for WM8731

REGISTER	B15	B14	B13	B12	B11	B10	B9	B8	B7	B6	B5	B4	B3	B2	B1	B0
R0 (00h)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	LRIN BOTH	LIN MUTE	0	0	LINVOL				
R1 (02h)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	RLIN BOTH	RIN MUTE	0	0	RINVOL				
R2 (04h)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	LRHP BOTH	LZCEN	LHPVOL						
R3 (06h)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	RLHP BOTH	RZCEN	RHPVOL						
R4 (08h)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	SIDEATT	SIDETONE	DAC SEL	BY PASS	INSEL	MUTE MIC	MIC BOOST	
R5 (0Ah)	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	HPOR	DAC MU	DEEMPH	ADC HPD		
R6 (0Ch)	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	PWR OFF	CLK OUTPD	OSCPD	OUTPD	DACPD	ADCPD	MICPD	LINEINPD
R7 (0Eh)	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	BCLK INV	MS	LR SWAP	LRP	IWL	FORMAT		
R8 (10h)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	CLKO DIV2	CLKI DIV2	SR				BOSR	USB/NORM
R9 (12h)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ACTIVE
R15(1Eh)	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	RESET								
	ADDRESS							DATA								

Table 3.3: Register map address for each corresponding settings

Register	Address (Binary)	Data (Binary)
Left Line In	0000000	XX00XXXXX
Right Line In	0000001	XX00XXXXX
Left Headphone Out	0000010	XXXXXXXXXX
Right Headphone Out	0000011	XXXXXXXXXX
Analog Audio Path Control	0000100	0XXXXXXXXX
Digital Audio Path Control	0000101	0000XXXXX
Power Down Control	0000110	0XXXXXXXXX
Digital Audio Interface Format	0000111	0XXXXXXXXX
Sampling Control	0001000	0XXXXXXXXX
Active Control	0001001	00000000X
Reset	0001111	XXXXXXXXXX

As we can see from the simplified register map in Table 3.2, the 'X' notation is the data to be computed by the user. For example, to set the analog audio path control, register of address 0000100 is used. Then, by referring to the table provided in the datasheet, Table 3.3, data for each bit is carefully chosen. Since the audio data need to be processed, set to disable the bypass which now bit 3 is '0'. Reset bit 2 to chose line-in as the input port for the guitar. Enable mute for microphone input (bit 1 is '1'), disable boost (bit 0 is '0') and as well as the sidetone (bit 5 is '0') because we are not using this input port. Mind as well to select DAC (bit 4 is '1') since the processed data will be sent to output immediately after processing, thus DAC is always in ON condition.

Table 3.4: Analog audio path control

REGISTER ADDRESS	BIT	LABEL	DEFAULT	DESCRIPTION
0000100 Analogue Audio Path Control	0	MICBOOST	0	Microphone Input Level Boost 1 = Enable Boost 0 = Disable Boost
	1	MUTEMIC	1	Mic Input Mute to ADC 1 = Enable Mute 0 = Disable Mute
	2	INSEL	0	Microphone/Line Input Select to ADC 1 = Microphone Input Select to ADC 0 = Line Input Select to ADC
	3	BYPASS	1	Bypass Switch 1 = Enable Bypass 0 = Disable Bypass
	4	DACSEL	0	DAC Select 1 = Select DAC 0 = Don't select DAC
	5	SIDETONE	0	Side Tone Switch 1 = Enable Side Tone 0 = Disable Side Tone
	7:6	SIDEATT[1:0]	00	Side Tone Attenuation 11 = -15dB 10 = -12dB 01 = -9dB 00 = -6dB

Bit selection for side tone selection is taking up the default value which now bit 7:6 is '00'. For all specification above, the data register of Analog Audio Path Control is 000010010. Thus, the value "0000100000010010" is sent to SDIN to set the configuration of analog audio path. Others register can be set using the same method. The setting used for the purpose of this project can be found in Figure 3.2.

```

always @(posedge END) begin
// ROM[0]= 16'h1e00;
ROM[0]= 16'h0c00;           //Power Down Control : Power down
ROM[1]= 16'h0ec2;         //Digital audio Format Interface : left justified, 16 bit, master mode, invert BCLK
ROM[2]= 16'h0812;         //Analogue Audio Path Control : Disable bypass, Line-in select, DAC select
ROM[8]= 16'h0a06;         //Digital Audio Path Control : 48kHz deemphasizes
ROM[3]= 16'h1000;         //Sampling Control : Normal mode, mclk = 18.43Mhz

ROM[4]= 16'h0017;         //Left Line In : Disable mute
ROM[5]= 16'h0217;         //Right Line In : Disable mute
ROM[6]= {8'h04, 1'b0, vol[6:0]}; //Left Headphone Out : sound vol
ROM[7]= {8'h06, 1'b0, vol[6:0]}; //Right Headphone Out : sound vol

//ROM[4]= 16'h1e00;      //reset
ROM[`rom_size]= 16'h1201; //active
DATA_A=ROM[address];
end

```

Figure 3.2: Settings used for WM8731 register map

WM8731 may be operated in either one of the 4 offered audio interface modes. All four of these modes are MSB first and operate with data 16 to 32 bits. These are: right justified, left justified, I2S, and DSP mode and this can be set in Digital Audio Interface Format register. For this project, 16 bit audio data length is selected with left justified format and with 48 KHz sampling rate. Carefully set the base over sampling rate (BOSR) in Sampling Control register because it is important to have the exact sampling rate based on the master clock for the device (refer to datasheet[17] : Table 19 & 20 ,page 40).

The codec was set to operate in master mode in which the audio-codec provides all signals for synchronization of audio data with the FPGA in this system, including BCLK, ADCLRCK and DACLRCK as shown in Figure 3.3. Meanwhile in slave mode, the codec depends on both master clock, BCLK, ADCLRCK and DACLRCK from an external module, in this case the FPGA. All of these settings play a big role when we are going to receive the data from Digital Audio Interface to be processed. When all of these have been configured, carefully do the pin assignment in the FPGA for each input and output regarding with WM8371 codec chip by referring to the Table 3.4.

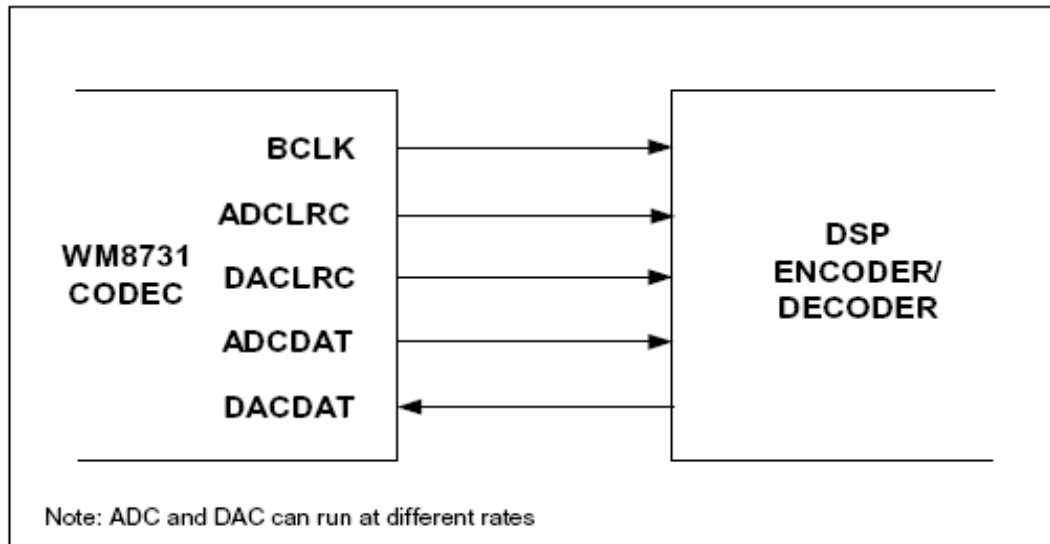


Figure 3.3: Digital Audio Interface in master mode

Table 3.5: WM8731 pin assignment in FPGA

Signal Name	FPGA Pin No.	Description
AUD_ADCLRCK	PIN_C5	Audio CODEC ADC LR Clock
AUD_ADCDATA	PIN_B5	Audio CODEC ADC Data
AUD_DACLRC	PIN_C6	Audio CODEC DAC LR Clock
AUD_DACDAT	PIN_A4	Audio CODEC DAC Data
AUD_XCK	PIN_A5	Audio CODEC Chip Clock
AUD_BCLK	PIN_B4	Audio CODEC Bit-Stream Clock
I2C_SCLK	PIN_A6	I2C Data
I2C_SDAT	PIN_B6	I2C Clock

CHAPTER 4

GUITAR EFFECT PROCESSOR MODELLING

In order to design the guitar effect processor, a complete sound system for the guitar effect processor must first be developed so that all of the bussing and interface can be done easily later until the integration and implementation in the FPGA. Then after that, a single unit for each component design can be developed.

4.1 System Overview

This system will be equipped by using a guitar, a DE2 board, and a pair of speakers. Basically, the block diagram for this effect sound system is shown as below.



Figure 4.1: Block diagram for the guitar effect sound system

The signal comes from the guitar and goes to the DE2 board and then will be sent to a pair of speakers after the signal has been processed in the signal. Hence, a complete system as shown in Figure 4.2 is designed to routing the signal processing within the DE2 board.

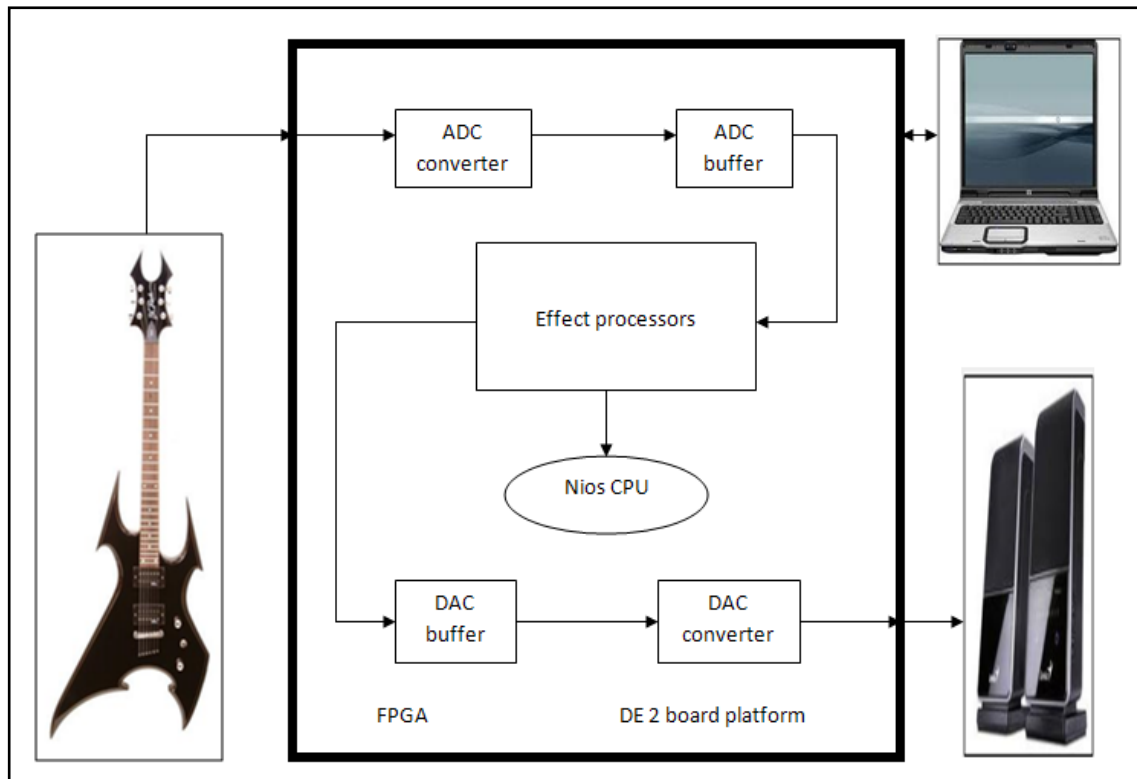


Figure 4.2: System overview

The signal comes from the guitar and goes to the FPGA board. It is converted to a digital signal first by using an ADC converter (AUD_ADCDAT), and then it passes through an ADC buffer (Audio Deserializer) which will take the serial digital input received from the ADC and buffering it so the Effects Processor can modify the data to the desired effect. In this effect processor, it contains of the distortion and delay effect module. After that the data will be re-serialized through the DAC buffer (Audio Serializer) to change the bit of the data into a format which is acceptable to DAC converter. After this, the modified signal is converted back to analog by using DAC converter (AUD_DACDAT) and is sent to the guitar amplifier for sound generation.

The interface with the development board was the switches to select the effect and the LCD will be used to show which effect has been chosen. Meanwhile, to control the volume strength, the buttons on the DE2 board will be used.

4.2 Audio Deserializer

Since the input that comes from AUD_ADCDAT (ADC converter) is serial 1 bit, thus we have to make some necessary processing to accumulate the data into 16 bit and feed them to each left and right channel. From Section 3.2, the format chosen for the data is left justified. From Figure 4.3, Left Justified mode is where the MSB is available on the first rising edge of BCLK following a ADCLRCK or DACLRCK transition with the left channel data are present when the alignment clock for ADC/DAC is '1' and vice versa for the right channel data. While in Figure 4.4, it shows the state diagram for Audio Deserializer module design in the project.

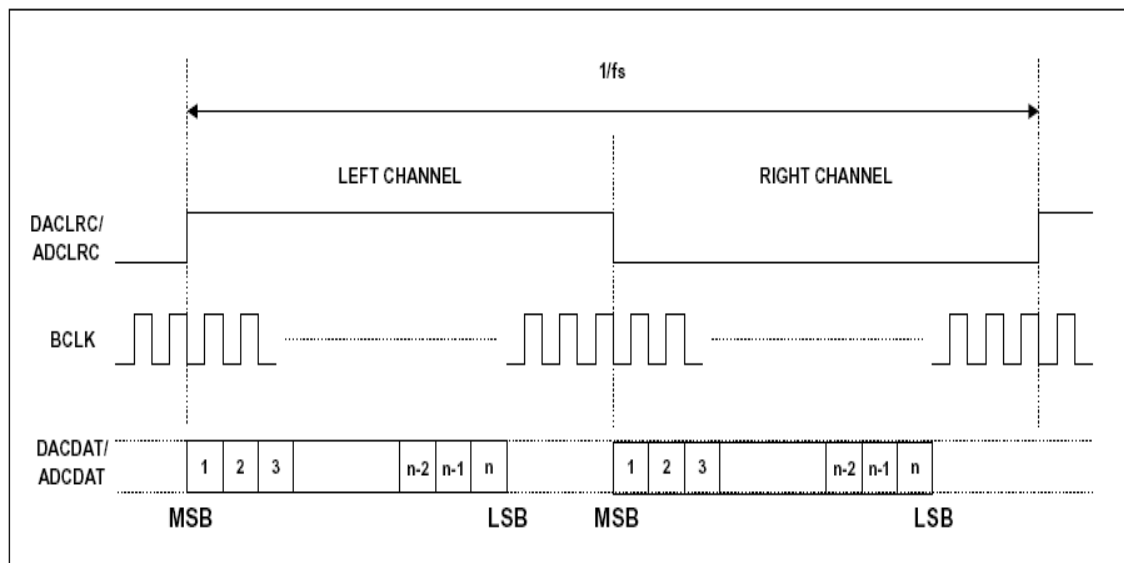


Figure 4.3: Data transmission in Left Justified mode

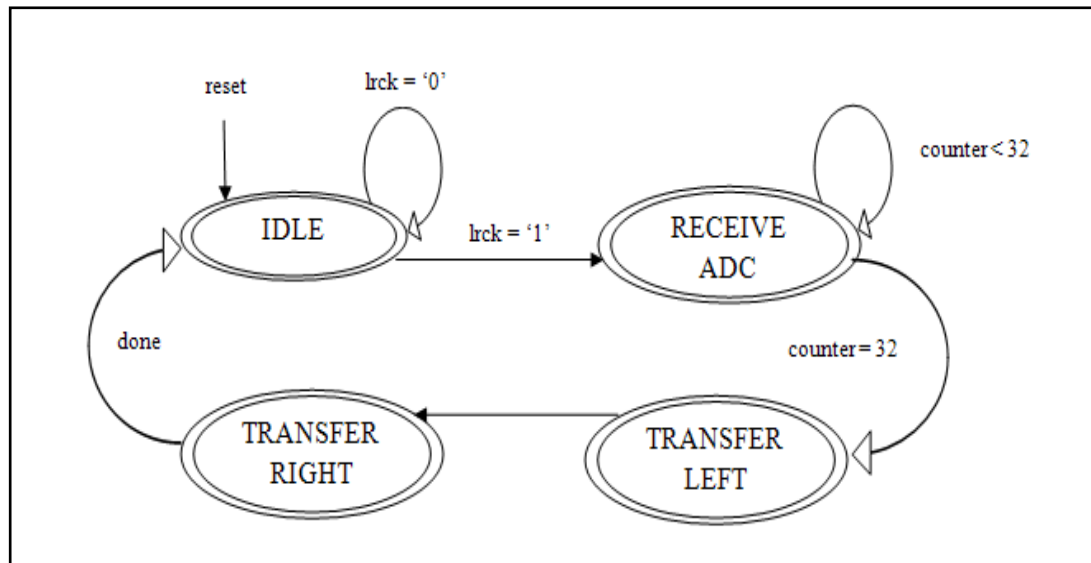


Figure 4.4: Audio Deserializer state diagram design

The audio data width is set to be 16-bit in the Digital Audio Format Interface such as what has been show in Figure 3.2 of Section 3.2. The received adc data is stored in a register of 32 bit width by using a counter looping of 32 count. When the counter has finish counting to 32, then the accumulated data is sent to left channel first and then the right channel. The left channel will be taking the data bit of 31 until 16 while the right channel is taking the bit of 15 until 0. This process is repeated again when new data package is received and once again, the counter will start counting and wait until the data package is fully received and transfer it again to the left and right channel. Figure 4.5 shows the block diagram for this particular design. For this module, the adc_data is taken from ADC_DAT pin, while bclk represent as the AUD_BCLK while the lrc is the alignment clock for adc data which is ADCLRCK.

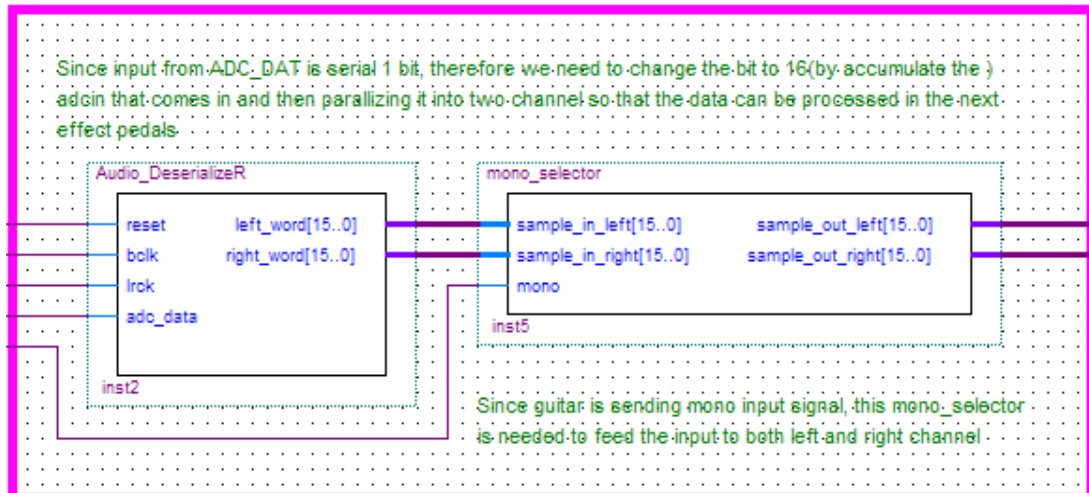


Figure 4.5: Audio Deserializer module design

4.3 Audio Serializer

Everything happens much like in the Audio Deserializer module but only backwards. As shown in the state diagram design of Figure 4.6, we are taking the internal signals of 16 bits dual channel parallel and serialize them to the format acceptable by AUD_DACDAT (serial 1 bit). For this module, the data of left and right word is coming from the output of the last sequence of guitar effect pedal processor in the chained effect processor. Figure 4.7 is shows the block diagram obtained by this design. Note that, bclk is still represented by the AUD_BCLK while the lrck is the alignment clock for dac data which is DACLRCK. Mono_selector is a simple module that can be used to ensure the data for both left and right channel is fed properly.

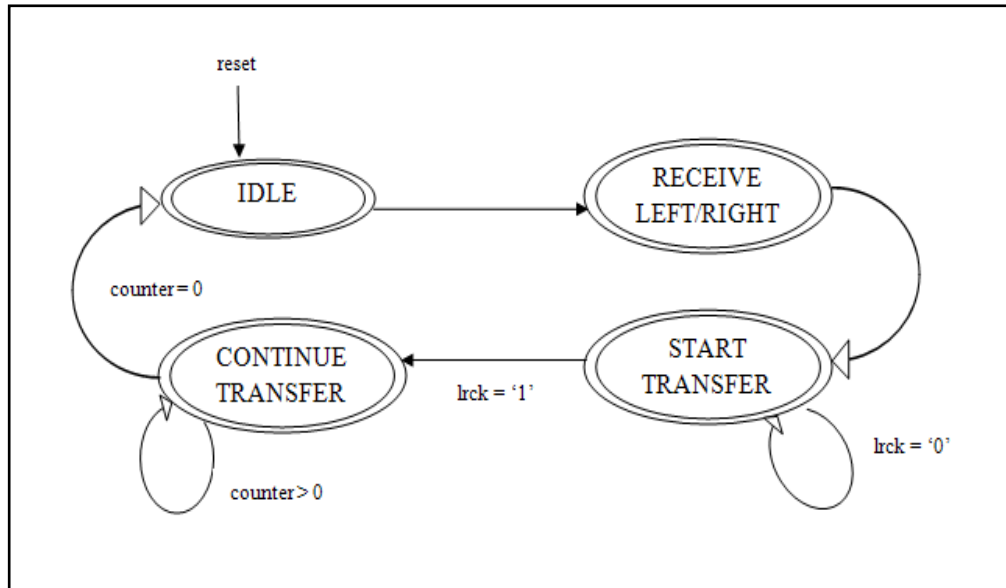


Figure 4.6: Audio Serializer state diagram design

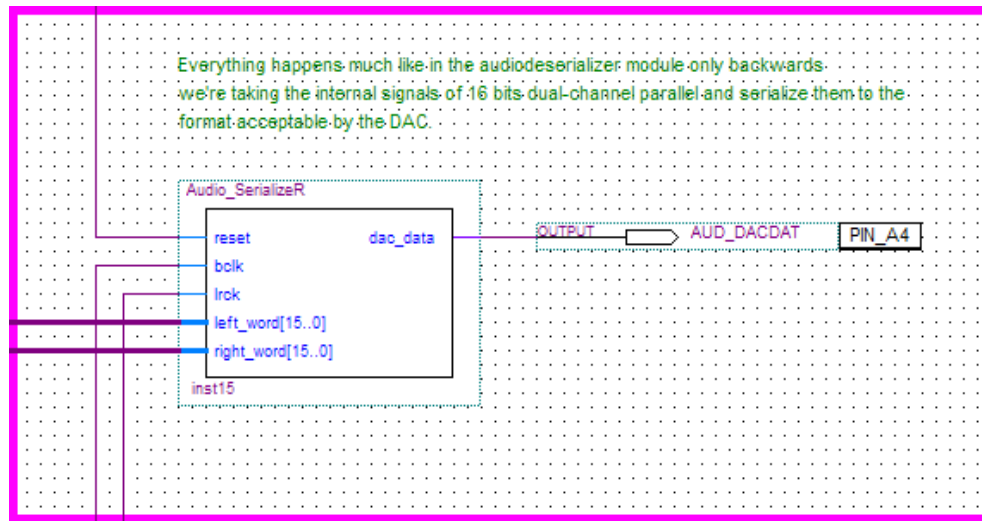


Figure 4.7: Audio Serializer module design

This module is placed at the last sequence in the chained guitar effect processor system. The dac data is assigned to AUD_DACDAT where this data will be converted again into the analog form for sound generation.

4.4 Guitar Effect Processors

This is the part where we will develop and design the digital effect processor which is the Distortion Effect Processor and Delay Effect Processor, and then integrates them into a higher structural design in the Guitar Effect Processor. Figure 4.8 shows a view on how the effect processor is designed and arranged. It was arranged in a chain sequence so that the user can play two effects at the same time. A 16-bit sample input which comes from the Audio Deserializer supply inputs for the Distortion Processor. Bypass module is included in each effect processor where the original sound of the guitar will be let through without any change or modification is done to it. The user will dictate which effect module to use by using the switch on the DE2 board and supply a gain and phase input parameter to control the strength of the effect by using buttons key on the DE2 board. The processed data is next sent to Audio Serializer module to change the bit of the data into the acceptable format by DACDAT.

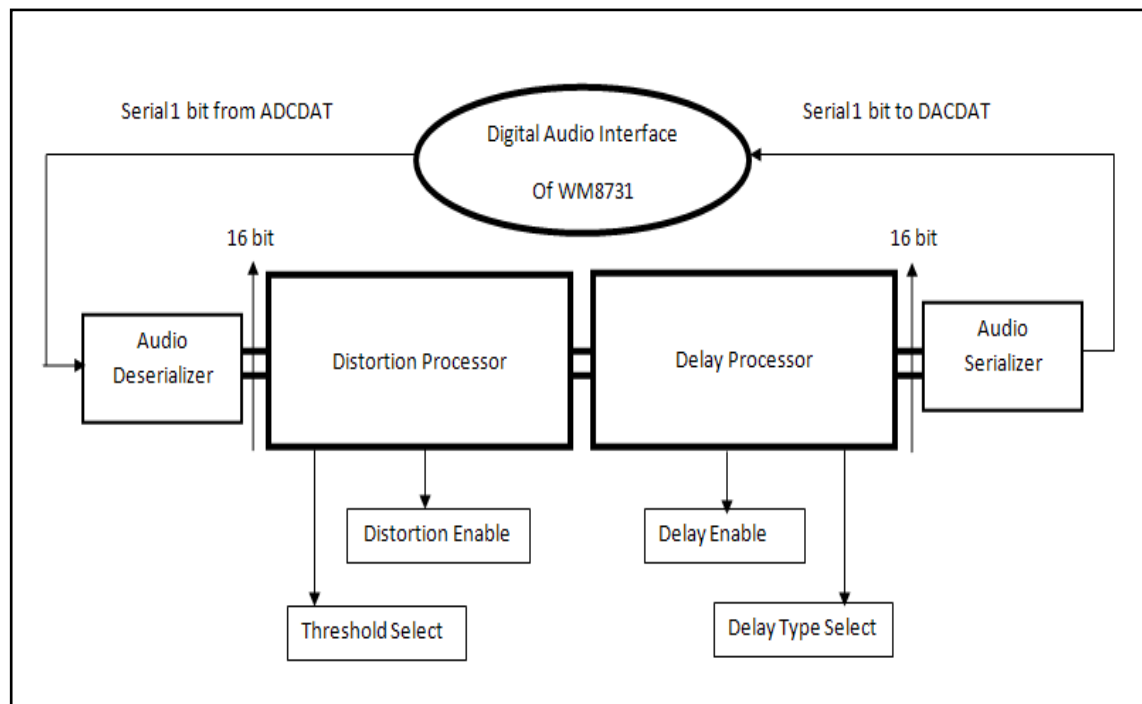


Figure 4.8: Guitar Effect Processor System

4.5 Distortion Effect Processor

Based on what has been discussed in section 2.2, we can understand that the behavior of the distortion circuit will clip the waveform at specific maximum and minimum value. Thus, to design this module, a comparison between the input sample and the parameter controlled by the user can be used to control the output data. Figure 4.9 shows a block diagram of Distortion Effect Module.

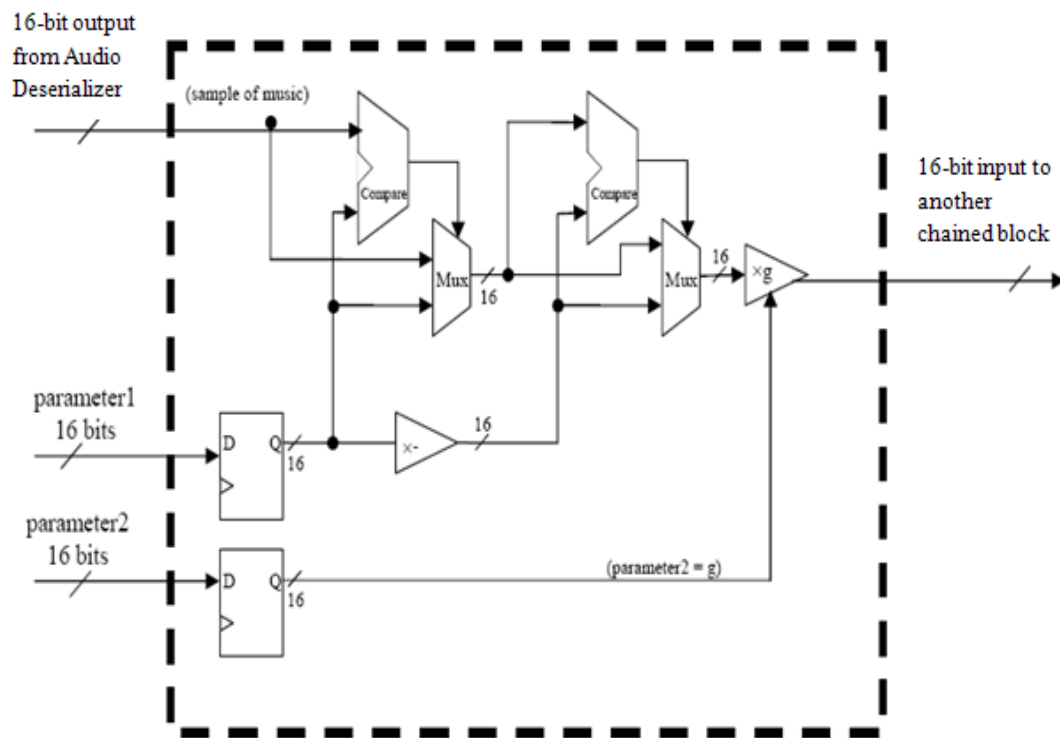


Figure 4.9: Block diagram of Distortion Effect Module

In this module, this is where a threshold value is set which is the parameter1, and if the signal ever increases above this value and lower than the negative value of this parameter1 value, then signal is clipped off. The 16-bit output fed from Audio Deserializer will be fed as the sample into the first comparator. Meanwhile, 16-bit input

of parameter 2 will be send to both of the two comparators in the module. The first comparator will output a '1' if the sample is greater than parameter1 and the signal is then sent to the first mux. When '1' is sent into the first mux, it will choose the parameter2 as the output of the mux and if '0' is inserted into the mux, it will allow the value of the sample to pass through. After that, the same process is repeated again, but this time, it will only allow the sample value to pass through as the output of the second mux if it is smaller enough than the negative value of parameter1. By this way, there will be no value that can be higher than positive value of parameter1 and lower than negative value of parameter1. Thus a clipped output signal is produced which is then amplified by parameter2 to make the sound becomes clearer when it is played on the speakers later.

4.5.1 Core Design for Distortion Effect Processor

The core design for Distortion Effect Processor is the integration of two Distortion Effect Module so that two channel of left and right data can be processed. As shown in Figure 4.10, volume module is some sort of the design for parameter2 as we can see in Figure 4.9 but instead it was designed as a single part so that we can use it for various purposes in another design later on. It functions as volume gain and is added at the output of the distortion block so that we can hear a clearer sound. The threshold parameter is in the thresh_param where the user can easily select the threshold parameter by using the switch assigned in the higher hierarchal structure.

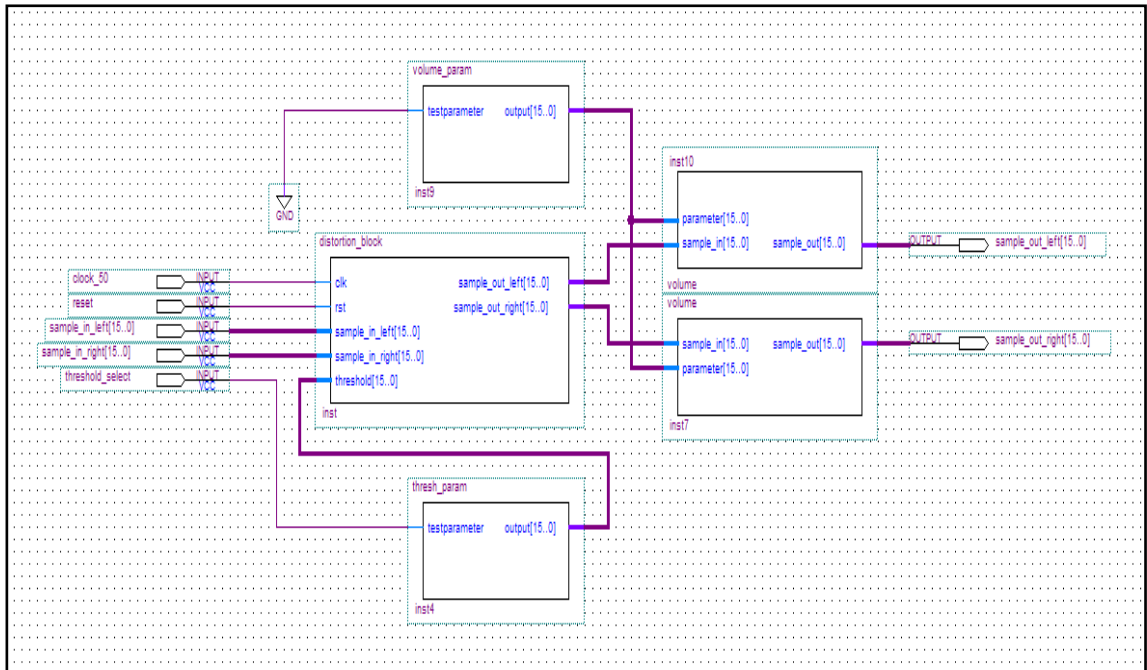


Figure 4.10: Core design for Distortion Effect Processor

4.5.2 Distortion Effect Processor in Full Spec Design

The Distortion Effect module is now being arranged to fit into the Distortion Effect Processor such as in Figure 4.11, where it contains along with Bypass module and Pipeline Buffer module. Bypass module will operate as the selector to turn on or off the effect meanwhile Pipeline Buffer module is assigned as a stabilizer in which it will rearrange the output that comes from Bypass module into the right 16 bit data package. It is introduced after each effect to take care of timing violations. All these buffers are however clocked with the 50 MHz system clock whereas the sound is sampled at 48 kHz. This means that roughly 1000 of those would need to be introduced into the system to cause a system latency of over one sample [19].

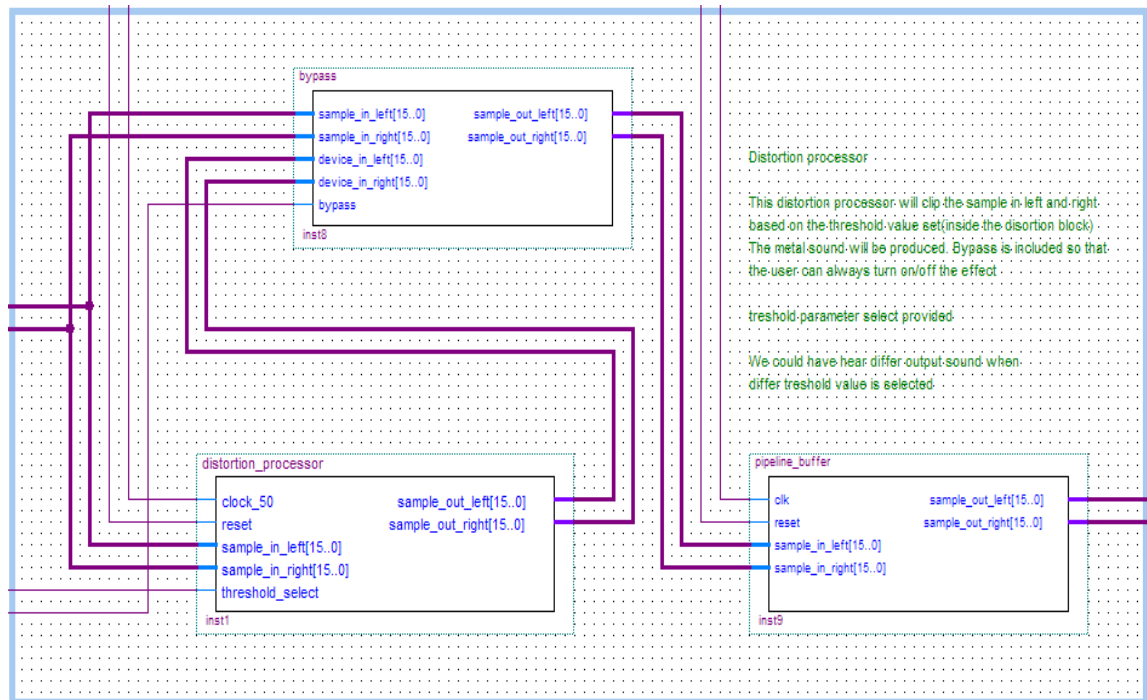


Figure 4.11: Distortion Effect Processor

4.6 Delay Effect Processor

Based on what have been discussed in Section 2.3, we can see that the behavior for the delay effect circuit is that it is taking the input to be stored in the memory and then the stored data is added again to the input to produce the output.

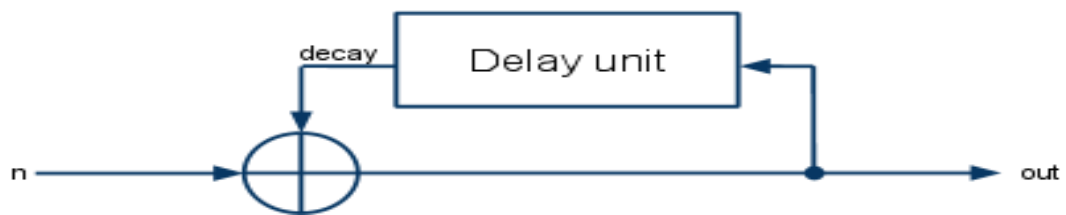


Figure 4.12: Delay effect design

The delay effect buffers a fragment of the audio signal in memory and mixes it back into the output signal. The effect's output is fed back into the delay unit, creating a decaying, infinite response. There is several ways on how we could have store the data of the input. Usually, RAM is used as a storage component, however for this particular design, array have been choose as a storage to temporarily store the input data which then will be shifted until 10 times. The internal shifted data can be taken as a loop to be added to input again. Figure 4.8 is the general delay buffer design architecture. To produce different sound of delay, we can take different value of the internal delay buffer to be added into input again. Suppose the higher value of the internal value is taken, for example the value in Reg 5, the sound will have longer delay time rather than Reg 2. For the following Delay Effect Module, For the first type which when delay_type is at '0', the value of Reg 0 is taken to be added with the input meanwhile when delay_type is triggered to '1', value of Reg 5 is taken as a summation to the input. Decay will act as amplifier to control the volume of the feedback sound.

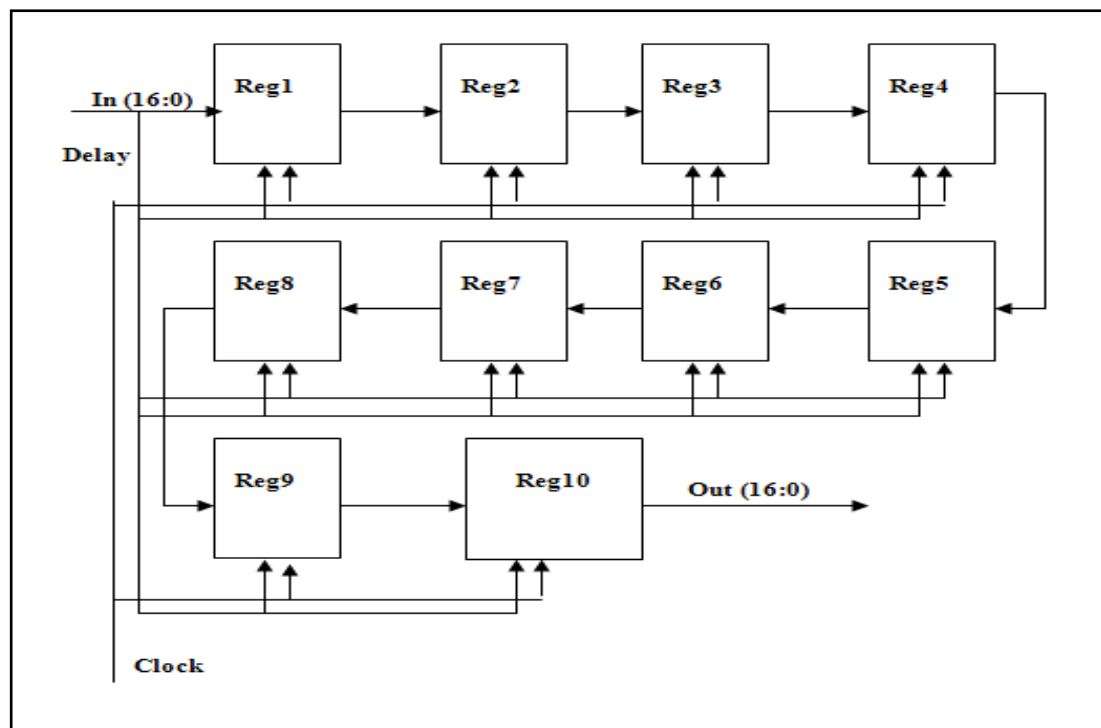


Figure 4.13: Delay Effect Module buffer design architecture

4.6.1 Core Design for Delay Effect Processor

Very much alike in the Distortion Effect Module, the core design for Delay Effect Processor is the integration of two Delay Effect Module so that two channel of left and right data can be processed.

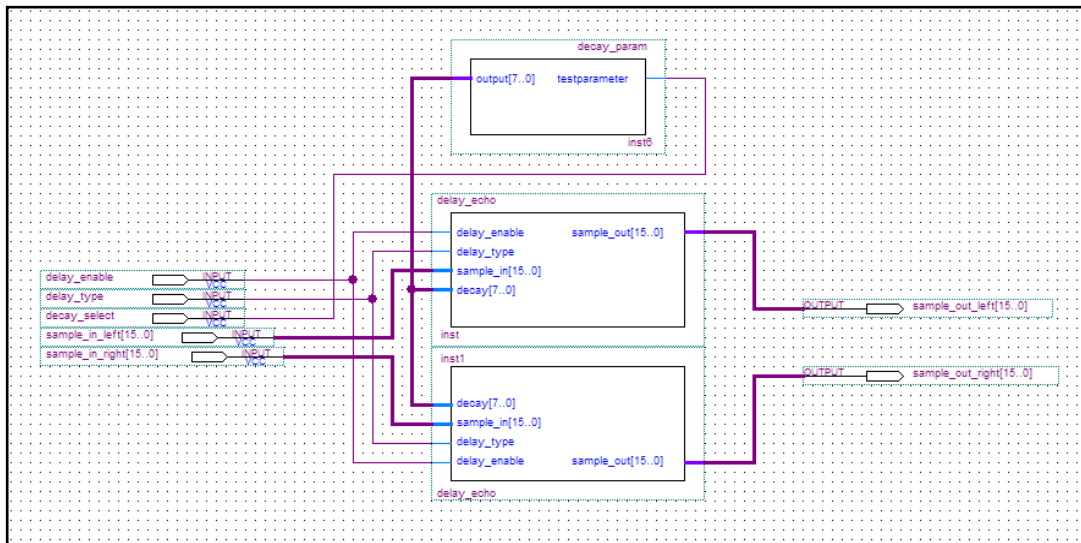


Figure 4.14: Core design for Delay Effect Processor

4.6.2 Delay Effect Processor in Full Spec Design

The arrangement for the Delay Effect Processor is same with Distortion Effect Processor. Only that the Distortion Effect Module is replaced by Delay Effect Module.

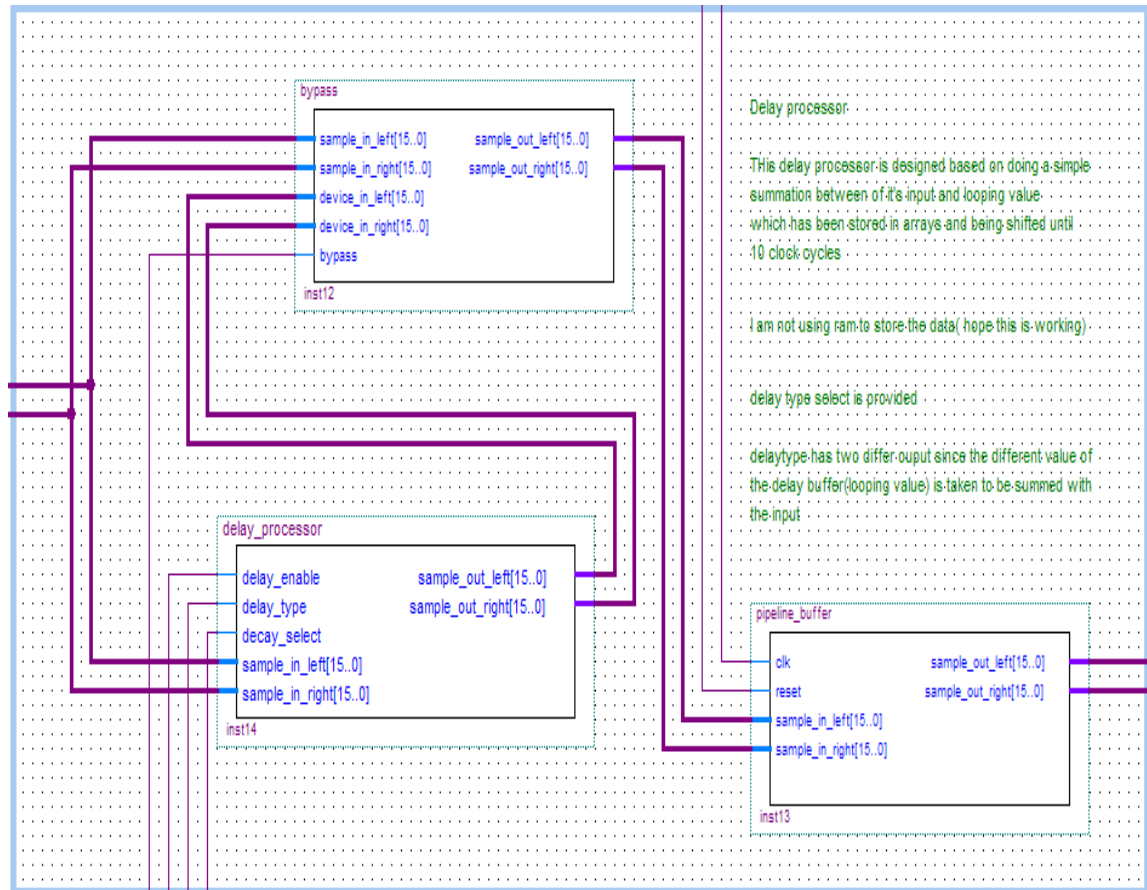


Figure 4.15: Delay Effect Processor

4.7 Design Implementation into DE2 board

Each of the designed modules is carefully combined to form as a single Guitar Effect Processor hardware as shown in Figure 4.16.

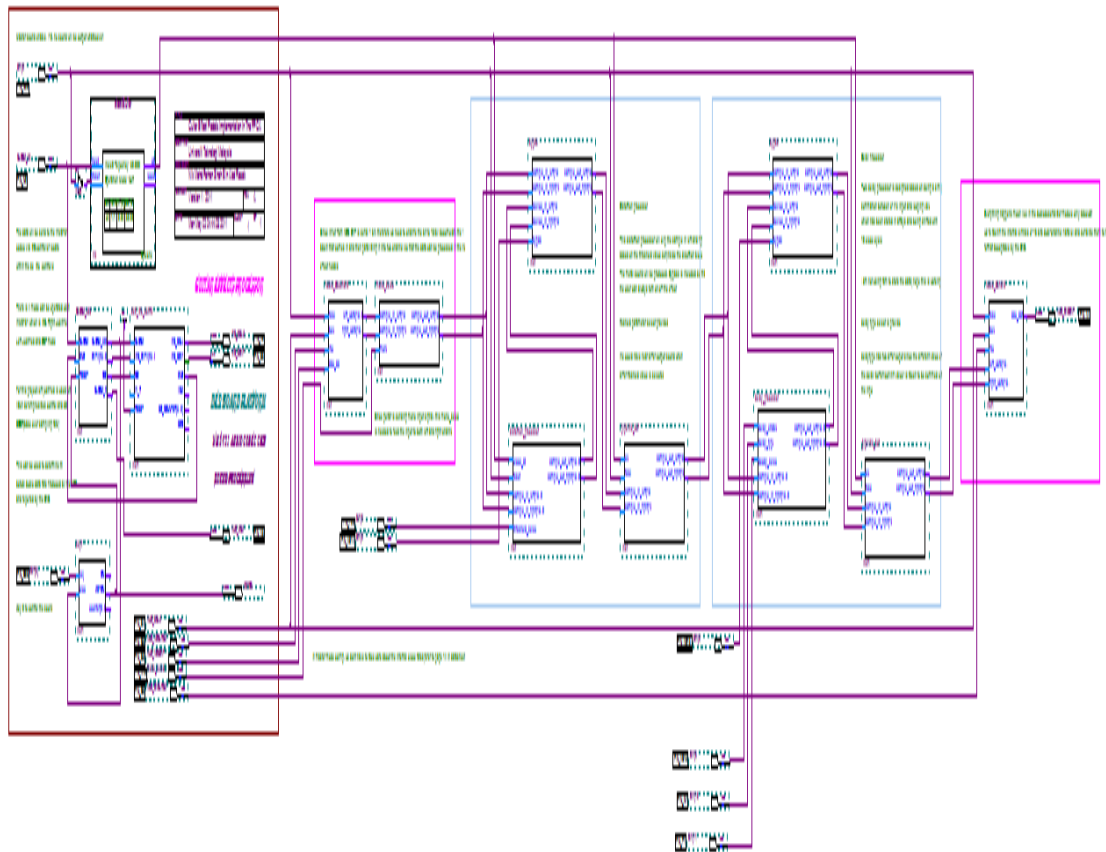


Figure 4.16: Guitar Effect Processor Block Diagram

This integration is achieved by using block diagram where we can easily made all the bus connection between the modules. It also makes the hardware system easier to be understood where we can see how the data is being controlled and processed within the system. When the top level of the hardware is fully combined, then once again, the pin assignment is ensured to be correctly mapped as mentioned in Section 3.2. Lastly, the programmer tool is used to download the design into the FPGA (DE2 board). Make sure that the guitar is connected to line in and the speaker to the line out port. Else than that, just start play the guitar and use the assigned switch to activate the effects.

CHAPTER 5

RESULT AND DISCUSSIONS

The chapter will discuss about the result achieved from the Guitar Effect Processor which has been implemented into the FPGA of Cyclone II EP2C35F672C6 in the DE2 board platform. Along with this, some briefing about the simulation result obtain from Quartus II for crucial part in the project is also included

5.1 Design Simulation for Audio Deserializer

The design for both of Audio Deserializer is considered as very important in this project. This is because this particular part will determine the right data is sent to be processed in the effect processor by receiving the data from ADC_DAT. The design simulation for Audio Deserializer is shown in Figure 5.1. For this simulation, the adc data pattern is set and the alignment clock for `bclk(AUD_BLCK)` and `lrck(AUD_ADCLRCLK)` is set accordingly to based on what has been discussed on Section 4.2. From the simulation we can see that both left and right word can receive the right 16-bit data package based on the adc data input.

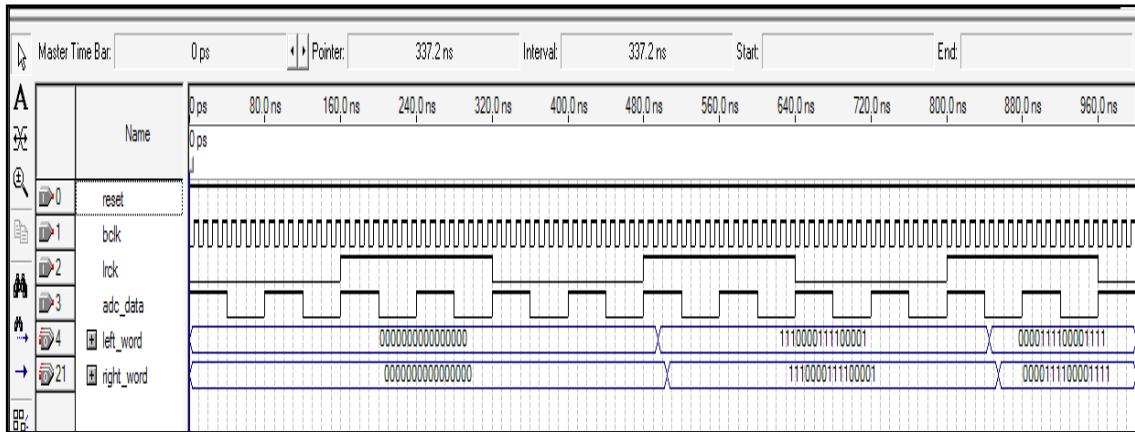


Figure 5.1: Design Simulation for Audio Deserializer module

5.2 Design Simulation for Audio Serializer

Audio Serializer work pretty much alike in what has been done in Audio Deserializer but only in reverse process where this module will now take the each left and right channel 16-bit parallel data package and serialize them into serial 1 bit data where the data is then sent to the DAC_DAT.

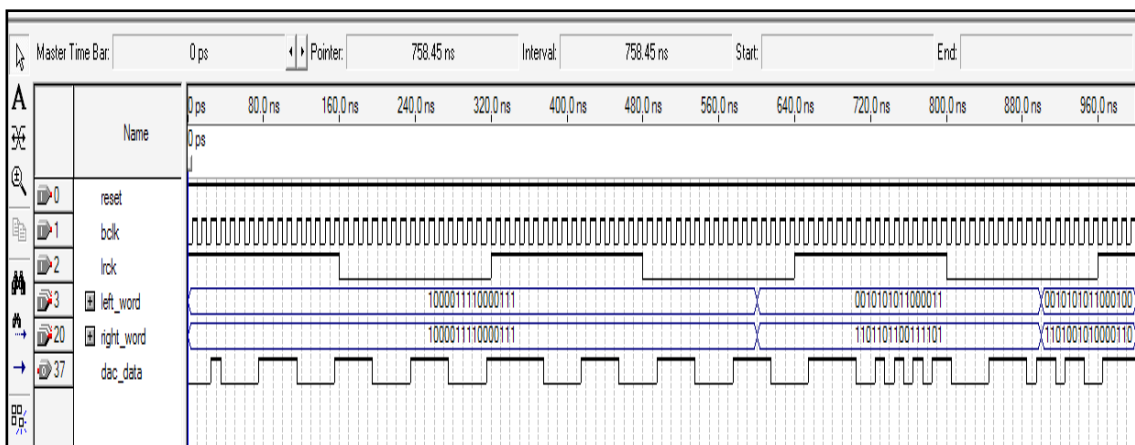


Figure 5.2: Design Simulation for Audio Serializer module

5.3 Design Simulation for Distortion Effect Module

For this time being, functional simulation is chosen and Figure 3.7 shows the result of the simulation. This simulation is only done for a single channel data.

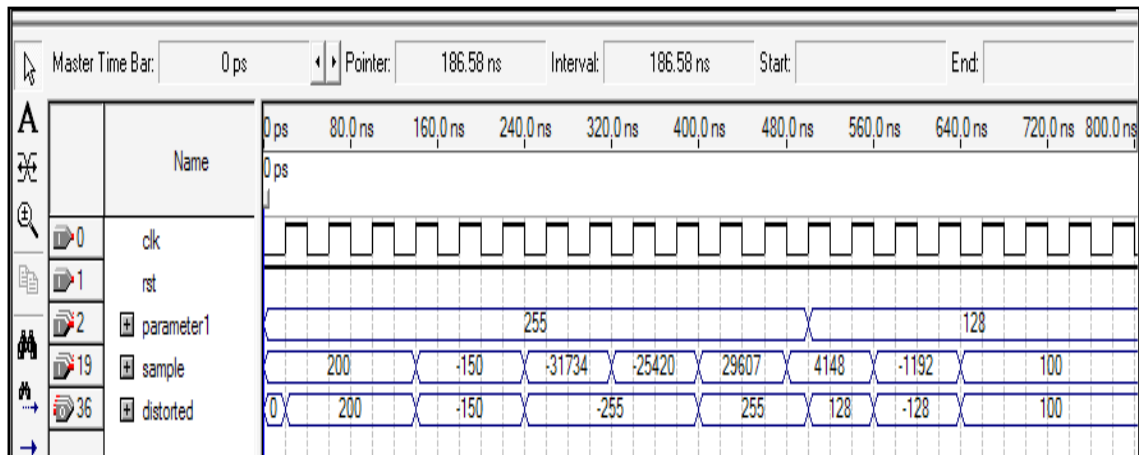


Figure 5.3: Simulation for Distortion Effect Module

Based on the waveform, parameter1 is set at the value of 255 which we can also say that this is the threshold value for the clipping. For now, parameter2 is not inserted yet because this simulation *is only intended* to see whether this clipping phenomenon is occurring or not. If we can observe, all of the output of distorted will only produce the value within the value of positive and negative value of parameter1. Any sample value which is higher than the maximum and lower than the minimum value will be clipped off. For example, take a look at the time of 250ns, the sample value is now is at -31734, which is higher than the threshold value (225). Thus, the circuit processing will now choose the maximum value instead of the sample value where we can some sort of saying that the extra value of the sample which is higher than the maximum value is clipped off.

5.4 Design Simulation for Delay Effect Module

The simulation based on the design for the delay effect is shown as in Figure 4.9. This simulation is only done for a single channel data.

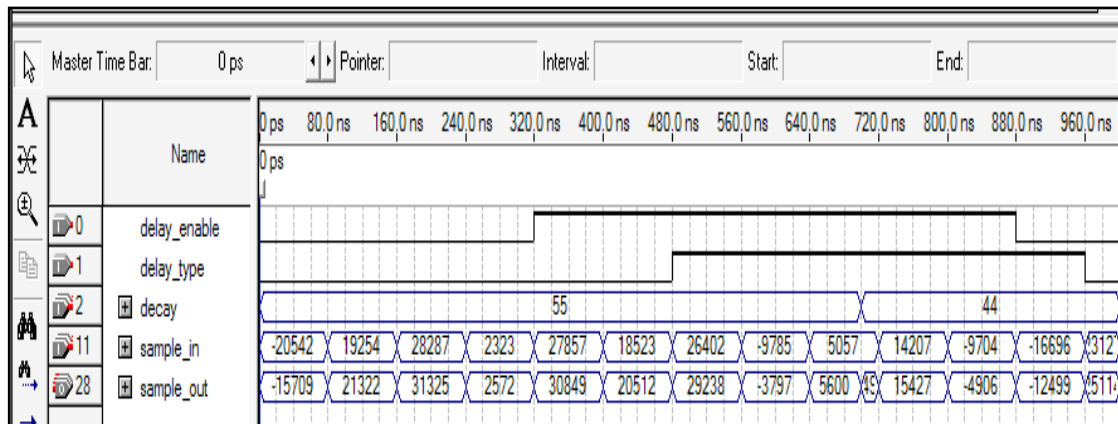


Figure 5.4: Simulation for Delay Effect Module

Since the delay is taking the internal signal from the delay buffer to be added to the input, therefore the value for the output will change according what value has been added. Decay will act as gain to amplify the delay buffer value so that in the end we can hear a clearer delay sound.

5.5 Guitar Effect Processor Design in Actual View

After all the designs for Guitar Effect Processor in Quartus II is completed, then such as what has been discussed in Section 4.7, the design is downloaded into the FPGA by using Quartus II programmer tool. Figure 5.5 shows the actual view of the system. The guitar is connected to line in jacks of DE2 board, the speaker to the line out jack of DE2 board and the laptop is connected to DE2 board by using USB blaster port.



Figure 5.5: Actual view of Guitar Effect Processor System

5.6 Bypass Sound from Guitar Effect Processor Hardware

Bypass sound means the raw sound that produced from the guitar which has been connected to DE2 board and has not yet been processed. For this particular clean output, the sound produced is clear enough for each string when it was played weather it is for a single string or with a chord combination. Since 16-bit data width with 48k Hz sampling rate is chosen, the sound comes out with high quality without any noise along with it and thus should providing a more precise data to be processed in the each of the effect processor

5.7 Sounds from Distortion Effect Processor Hardware

When distortion effect is selected by toggle up the assigned switch, the sound produced becomes squeaky and fuzzy rather than clean sound of the guitar. When playing a guitar with distortion, it is important to know how distortion affects the sound of single notes compared to chords. Single notes will be heard clearly and the pitch of the note played should be accurate to the instrument itself. However, chords played through this Distortion Effect Processor will contain inter-modulated notes which may or may not sound good. An inter-modulated note is another tone that is created by the distortion in addition to the notes that you played. The amount or type of distortion will determine the volume of these inter-modulated notes. For this case, there are two different threshold parameter is provided in Distortion Effect Processor which has been set as X"0080" and X"00FF" and for each parameter, it produces a slightly different sound where a more squeaky and fuzzy sound is produced when parameter X"0080" is selected. It means that lower value of threshold parameter as the clipping value will produce more squeaky and fuzzy sound. This sounds very cool, especially when chords are kept to a maximum of 2 or 3 notes. When chords of 6 notes are played however, the results are usually muddy and undesirable. They may not be in tune with the chords played and the more notes played in the chord, the more inter-modulated notes there will be. This is what gave rise to the infamous "Power Chord". Rock bands started playing two note chords that were an interval of a perfect 5th. For example, a G and a D, or an E and a B. These 2-note chords, when distorted, produce an inter-modulated note that is pleasantly in tune with the chord. However the volume strength sound produced when it was processed in the Distortion Effect Processor became lower. To overcome this problem, a simple gain (Volume Module) to make high of the volume is placed at the output for each left and right channel after the Distortion Module where it resulting a better sound after it was added.

5.8 Sounds from Delay Effect Processor Hardware

There are two different type of delay provided in which it takes different value of delay buffer to be added to the input. The resulting sound for the Delay Effect Processor of first type where when the delay_type is '0', the delayed sound is hardly to be heard. Instead of that, the design is producing more high quality distortion sound. The delay sound is hardly heard is due to the very short amount of shifted delay in the delay buffer because the value of Reg 0 is taken to be added to input and this value has only been shifted for once from the input. Meanwhile, when the second type where the value of Reg 7 is taken to be added to input is selected; the delay is still hardly heard but the output sound has become really squeaky and fuzzy more than what the Distortion Effect Processor has produced where it is more like as we are using the metal zone guitar effect pedal. This has resulting the sound that has really deviated from its own purpose but instead it can give a more metal sound where most of the guitar players really like them. The design has also been tried to take the value of Reg 10 to be mixed as the delay flavor but it still implies the almost same result. This may be due to the saturated output produced which keep producing absolute minimum and maximum value where in the end the it is producing the perfect shape of square waveform.

5.9 Sounds from Both of the Effects is Activated

Given by the advantages of the chained pipeline design, we can essentially turn on both of the effect at the same time. The resulting sound when both of the effect is activated is that it is producing a much powerful and smooth distortion sound and unexpectedly, it adds some more 'metal' flavor into the distortion sound especially when lower threshold parameter for Distortion Effect Processor was chose and the longer delay effect was chose in Delay Effect Processor. This is because the delay effect

sound produced when the Delay Effect Processor alone is activated is still not giving a good quality of delay effect, but instead it is giving a more powerful distortion sound, thus activating it together with the Distortion Effect Processor still implies that the same performance.

CHAPTER 6

CONCLUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Conclusion

The proposed Guitar Effect Processor sound system and development design is successfully implemented in the FPGA and is a success as proved by its determined operation which is to perform guitar's distortion effect and as well as delay effect. Distortion Effect Processor gives a very good performance where it can transform the clean guitar's sound into a squeaky and fuzzy sound while the Delay Effect Processor has not much give a good performance since the effect is hardly to be heard even though the longest delayed of the input was taken. Instead of that, it is giving a smoother and sharper distortion sound which has more quality rather than the Distortion Effect Processor itself. However both of the effect can still be activated at the same time and it still can produce a different sound than one another with when only each effect is selected alone. Even though the there are only two guitar effect pedals was implemented in this project, it provides a good opportunity to improvise the project since the audio CODEC is already configured rightly.

6.2 Problem Highlights

Getting the audio CODEC working was the critical path to the rest of the system. In fact, it does consume a lot of time to solve this issue. It was very frustrating until that point as I felt that all of the efforts would be worthless if that component did not work. The issue is that even though the register of the codec has been rightfully configured by using VHDL, it just keep giving bypass sound while I actually have disable bypass in the register setting. This has causes the data cannot be processed into the effect processing block. Since the time wasted on solving this problem takes too long, hence the only option is to use the demonstration example provided by Altera where it is in verilog and there are some modification need to be done in order to make it fit working to the purpose of this project. Regardless about that, at the end, it has been a successfully configured to make it work out accordingly.

Since this project is dealing with real time audio processing, it is kind of hard to achieve and to determine the waveform produce during the design was implemented into the DE2 board. There suppose to be a way to use the *Tap Signal* compiler provided where it can take the internal data in the FPGA to generate waveform. The attempt to use this feature is not success and the reasons for parting with this was that there were licensing issues requirement.

6.3 Recommendations for Future Works

Well, there are a lot more rooms for improvement can be done on this project. Since the Delay Effect Processor is not giving quite a satisfaction performance, thus the design should be developed using another way. RAM can be use as storage to make a function as delay buffer where it can give a better quality to make delay effect.

There are only two of guitar effect pedals that was implemented in this project while there many more available types such as chorus, vibrato, flanger, tremolo and so on can be developed and implemented. Many of them are just manipulation of delay effect. Hence, once delay effect is working perfectly, developing the others is just a matter of time.

To make ease of the design process, try to use DSP builder tools. Like the SOPC builder, this tool is one of the compliment tools for Quartus II software. This tool is intended to associate with MATLAB software where it can enable us to use the module available in the MATLAB to do some digital signal processing. This DSP builder can also be used to generate the VHDL code based base on the module created using Simulink via MATLAB. While the use of the DSP builder is said to not be trivial to the point where it requires no training, it still can be used to verify our design later on.

Since the resource on the DE2 board such as the switch is limited, it is better if a Graphical User Interface (GUI) can be developed for this project. When more effect is developed, it's going to need more switch and consequently, there will be no more left. Hence the only option left is to develop the GUI.

It will be very good if other compliment for sound processing such as the tone adjustment which can utilizes the uses of filter, audio equalizer and others can be implemented in the project. This enhancement can greatly help to produce a better and wonderful sound.

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APPENDIX A

VERILOG CODE OF WM8731 CONTROL

```

-----
// Copyright (c) 2005 by Terasic Technologies Inc.
// -----
// Major Functions: I2C output data
// -----
// Revision History :
// -----
// Ver :| Author      :| Mod. Date :| Changes Made:
// V1.0 :| Joe Yang   :| 05/07/10 :| Initial Revision
// -----

`define rom_size 6'd8

```

```

module CLOCK_500 (
    CLOCK,
    CLOCK_500,
    DATA,
    END,
    RESET,
    GO,
    CLOCK_2

```

```

);
    input CLOCK;
    input END;
    input RESET;
    output CLOCK_500;
    output [23:0]DATA;
    output GO;
    output CLOCK_2;

reg [10:0]COUNTER_500;

wire CLOCK_500=COUNTER_500[9];
wire CLOCK_2=COUNTER_500[1];

reg [15:0]ROM[`rom_size:0];
reg [15:0]DATA_A;
reg [5:0]address;
wire [23:0]DATA={8'h34,DATA_A}; // Main address for WM8731 with 2 wire
MPU serial interface, CBS is tied to the ground.

wire GO =((address <= `rom_size) && (END==1))? COUNTER_500[10]:1;
always @(negedge RESET or posedge END) begin
    if (!RESET) address=0;
    else
        if (address <= `rom_size) address=address+1;
end

reg [7:0]vol;

always @(posedge RESET) begin

```

```

    vol=vol-1;end

always @(posedge END) begin
//    ROM[0]= 16'h1e00;
    ROM[0]= 16'h0c00;           //Power Down Control : Power down
    ROM[1]= 16'h0ec2;           //Digital audio Format Interface : left
                                //justified,16 bit,master mode,invert BCLK
    ROM[2]= 16'h0812;           //Analogue Audio Path Control : Disable
                                //bypass,Line-in select,DAC select
    ROM[8]= 16'h0a06;           //Digital Audio Path Control : 48kHz
                                //deemphasizes
    ROM[3]= 16'h1000;           //Sampling Control : Normal mode,mclk =
                                //18.43Mhz
    ROM[4]= 16'h0017;           //Left Line In : Disable mute
    ROM[5]= 16'h0217;           //Right Line In : Disable mute
    ROM[6]= {8'h04,1'b0,vol[6:0]}; //Left Headhone Out : sound vol
    ROM[7]= {8'h06,1'b0,vol[6:0]}; //Right Headphone Out : sound vol

    //ROM[4]= 16'h1e00;         //reset
    ROM[`rom_size]= 16'h1201;//active
    DATA_A=ROM[address];
end

always @(posedge CLOCK ) begin
    COUNTER_500=COUNTER_500+1;
end

endmodule

```

```
-----
// Copyright (c) 2005 by Terasic Technologies Inc.
```

```
// -----
```

```
// Major Functions:i2c controller
```

```
// -----
```

```
// Revision History :
```

```
// -----
```

```
// Ver :| Author      :| Mod. Date :| Changes Made:
```

```
// V1.0 :| Joe Yang   :| 05/07/10 :| Initial Revision
```

```
-----
```

```
module de2_i2c_controller (
    CLOCK,
    I2C_SCLK, // I2C CLOCK
    I2C_SDAT, // I2C DATA
    I2C_DATA, // DATA:[SLAVE_ADDR,SUB_ADDR,DATA]
    GO,       // GO transfor
    END,     // END transfor
    W_R,     // W_R
    ACK,     // ACK
    RESET,
    // TEST
    SD_COUNTER,
    SDO
);
```

```
input CLOCK;
input [23:0] I2C_DATA;
input GO;
input RESET;
input W_R;
```

```
inout I2C_SDAT;
output I2C_SCLK;
output END;
output ACK;

// TEST
output [5:0] SD_COUNTER;
output SDO;

reg SDO;
reg SCLK;
reg END;
reg [23:0] SD;
reg [5:0] SD_COUNTER;

wire I2C_SCLK = SCLK | (((SD_COUNTER >= 4) & (SD_COUNTER <= 30))?
~CLOCK : 0);
wire I2C_SDAT = SDO ? 1'bz : 0;

reg ACK1, ACK2, ACK3;
wire ACK = ACK1 | ACK2 | ACK3;

/--I2C COUNTER

always @(negedge RESET or posedge CLOCK)
begin
  if (!RESET)
    SD_COUNTER = 6'b111111;
  else
    begin
      if (GO == 0)
```



```

        SD_COUNTER = 0;
    else
        if (SD_COUNTER < 6'b111111)
            SD_COUNTER = SD_COUNTER + 1;
        end
    end
end

always @(negedge RESET or posedge CLOCK )
begin
    if (!RESET)
        begin
            SCLK = 1;
            SDO = 1;
            ACK1 = 0;
            ACK2 = 0;
            ACK3 = 0;
            END = 1;
        end
    else
        case (SD_COUNTER)
            6'd0 : begin ACK1 = 0; ACK2 = 0; ACK3 = 0; END = 0; SDO = 1; SCLK = 1; end

            // Start
            6'd1 : begin SD = I2C_DATA; SDO = 0; end
            6'd2 : SCLK = 0;

            // Slave Address for WM8731
            6'd3 : SDO = SD[23];
            6'd4 : SDO = SD[22];
            6'd5 : SDO = SD[21];
            6'd6 : SDO = SD[20];

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6'd7 : SDO = SD[19];
6'd8 : SDO = SD[18];
6'd9 : SDO = SD[17];
6'd10 : SDO = SD[16];
6'd11 : SDO = 1'b1; //ACK

// Sub-address for WM8731 control register Map
6'd12 : begin SDO = SD[15]; ACK1 = I2C_SDAT; end
6'd13 : SDO = SD[14];
6'd14 : SDO = SD[13];
6'd15 : SDO = SD[12];
6'd16 : SDO = SD[11];
6'd17 : SDO = SD[10];
6'd18 : SDO = SD[9];
6'd19 : SDO = SD[8];
6'd20 : SDO = 1'b1; // ACK

// Data for WM8731 control data register
6'd21 : begin SDO = SD[7]; ACK2 = I2C_SDAT; end
6'd22 : SDO = SD[6];
6'd23 : SDO = SD[5];
6'd24 : SDO = SD[4];
6'd25 : SDO = SD[3];
6'd26 : SDO = SD[2];
6'd27 : SDO = SD[1];
6'd28 : SDO = SD[0];
6'd29 : SDO = 1'b1; // ACK

// Stop
6'd30 : begin SDO = 1'b0; SCLK = 1'b0; ACK3 = I2C_SDAT; end
6'd31 : SCLK = 1'b1;
```

```
6'd32 : begin SDO = 1'b1; END = 1; end  
endcase  
end  
endmodule
```

APPENDIX B**VHDL CODE OF GUITAR EFFECT PROCESSOR**

-----*simple register with low reset*-----

```
library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.std_logic_arith.all;
use ieee.std_logic_unsigned.all;

entity reg is port (
    clk,rst : in std_logic;
    parameter : in std_logic_vector (15 downto 0);
    output : buffer std_logic_vector(15 downto 0));
end reg;

architecture arch of reg is begin

    process (clk,rst,output) begin
        if rst='0' then output <= (others => '0');
        elsif clk'event and clk = '1' then
            output <= parameter;
        else output<= output;
        end if;
    end process;
```

```

        end process;
end arch;

```

-----*Comparator*-----

```

library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.std_logic_signed.all;

entity comparatorGt is port (
    sample : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    parameter : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    Gt : out std_logic );
end comparatorGt;

```

```

architecture behave of comparatorGt is begin

```

```

    Gt <= '1' when sample > parameter else '0';

```

```

end behave;

```

-----*Sign Converter*-----

```

library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.std_logic_arith.all;
use ieee.std_logic_signed.all;

entity convert is port ( inparameter : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
                        outparameter : out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0));
end convert;

```

```
architecture behave of convert is begin
```

```
    outparameter <= -inparameter ;
```

```
end behave;
```

-----*Mux 2to1 Selector*-----

```
library ieee;
```

```
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
```

```
use ieee.std_logic_signed.all;
```

```
entity mux2to1 is port ( sample , parameter : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
```

```
    sel : in std_logic;
```

```
    outmux : out std_logic_vector (15 downto 0));
```

```
end mux2to1;
```

```
architecture behave of mux2to1 is begin
```

```
process (sample ,parameter,sel) begin
```

```
    if sel='1' then outmux <= parameter;
```

```
    else outmux <= sample;
```

```
    end if;
```

```
end process;
```

```
end behave;
```

-----*Distortion Module*-----
 --*This module is achieved by using port map style which taking parts if other module*

```

library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.std_logic_arith.all;
use ieee.std_logic_signed.all;

entity distortion is port ( clk : in std_logic;
                          rst : in std_logic;
                          sample : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
                          parameter1 : in std_logic_vector (15 downto 0);
                          distorted : out std_logic_vector (15 downto 0));
end distortion;

architecture arch of distortion is

    signal reg1 : std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    signal conversion : std_logic_vector (15 downto 0);
    signal compare1 : std_logic ;
    signal mux1 : std_logic_vector (15 downto 0);
    signal compare2 : std_logic ;

    component reg port ( clk,rst : in std_logic;
                       parameter : in std_logic_vector (15 downto 0);
                       output : buffer std_logic_vector(15 downto 0));
    end component;

    component comparatorGt port ( sample : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
                                parameter : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
  
```

```

        Gt : out std_logic );
end component;

component mux2to1 is port ( sample , parameter : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
        sel : in std_logic;
        outmux : out std_logic_vector (15 downto 0));
end component;

component convert is port ( inparameter : in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
        outparameter : out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0));
end component;

begin

s1 : reg port map ( clk, rst, parameter1, reg1);
s2 : comparatorGt port map (sample, reg1,compare1);
s3 : mux2to1 port map (sample, reg1,compare1, mux1);
s4 : convert port map (reg1,conversion);
s5 : comparatorGt port map (mux1, conversion, compare2);
s6 : mux2to1 port map (conversion, mux1, compare2,distorted);

end arch;

```

-----*Delay Module*-----

```

library IEEE;
use IEEE.std_logic_1164.all;
use IEEE.std_logic_unsigned.all;

entity delay_echo is port (

```



```

        --data control
        delay_enable: in std_logic;
        delay_type : in std_logic;
        --data
        sample_in: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
        decay : in std_logic_vector (7 downto 0);
        sample_out : out STD_LOGIC_VECTOR(15 downto 0)
    );
end delay_echo;

architecture beh of delay_echo is

    signal dataIn : std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    signal delay_multiplied : std_logic_vector(24 downto 0);
    signal dm: std_logic;
    signal output_sat: std_logic_vector(16 downto 0);
    type myarray is array (INTEGER range <>) of std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    signal delay_Buffer : myarray (9 downto 0);

begin

    process (sample_in,delay_enable,delay_Buffer)
    begin
        -- select delay_enable to do delay buffer

        if delay_enable <= '1' then
            -- delay 10 clock cycles
            delay_Buffer(0) <= delay_Buffer(1);
            delay_Buffer(1) <= delay_Buffer(2);
            delay_Buffer(2) <= delay_Buffer(3);
            delay_Buffer(3) <= delay_Buffer(4);

```

```

        delay_Buffer(4) <= delay_Buffer(5);
        delay_Buffer(5) <= delay_Buffer(6);
        delay_Buffer(6) <= delay_Buffer(7);
        delay_Buffer(7) <= delay_Buffer(8);
        delay_Buffer(8) <= delay_Buffer(9);
        delay_Buffer(9) <= sample_in
    else
        dataIn <= sample_in;
    end if;
end process;

process(delay_type,delay_Buffer,output_sat,dm,sample_in,delay_multiplied,decay)
begin

    if delay_type <= '0' then
        --Calculate the echo after decay,taking the internal delay buffer of 0
        delay_multiplied <= delay_Buffer(0) * ('0' & decay);
        --Duplicate the topmost bit to use for overflow detetction
        dm <= delay_multiplied(24);
        output_sat <= (dm & delay_multiplied(24 downto 9)) +
            (sample_in(15) & sample_in);

        if output_sat(16 downto 15) = "01" then dataIn <=
            "0111111111111111"; elsif
            output_sat(16 downto 15) = "10" then dataIn <=
            "1000000000000000"; else
            dataIn <= output_sat(15 downto 0);
        end if;
    else
        --Calculate the echo after decay,taking the internal delay buffer of 7
        delay_multiplied <= delay_Buffer(7) * ('0' & decay);

```

```

--Duplicate the topmost bit to use for overflow detetction
    dm <= delay_multiplied(24);
    output_sat <= (dm & delay_multiplied(24 downto 9)) +
        (sample_in(15) & sample_in);
        -- decay is 1/2
    if output_sat(16 downto 15) = "01" then dataIn <=
        "0111111111111111"; elsif
        output_sat(16 downto 15) = "10" then dataIn <=
        "1000000000000000"; else
        dataIn <= output_sat(15 downto 0);
    end if;
end if;
end process;
-- changes data precision of playback data.
sample_out <= dataIn; -- 16 bits precision

end beh;

-----Bypass-----
--bypass.vhd
--A simple switch enabling to bypass an effect
-----

library IEEE;
use IEEE.std_logic_1164.all;

entity bypass is
    port (
        --signal not transformed by the effect
        sample_in_left: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
        sample_in_right: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);

```

```

    --signal transformed by the effect
    device_in_left: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    device_in_right: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    --output
    sample_out_left: out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    sample_out_right: out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
    bypass: in std_logic );
end entity bypass;

```

architecture behave of bypass is

```

begin
    sample_out_left <= sample_in_left when bypass = '0' else device_in_left;
    sample_out_right <= sample_in_right when bypass = '0' else device_in_right;
end architecture behave;

```

-----*Pipeline Buffer*-----

--pipeline_buffer.vhd

--A simple pipeline buffer for two 16bit channels

library IEEE;

use IEEE.std_logic_1164.all;

entity pipeline_buffer is

```

    port (
        clk: in std_logic;
        reset: in std_logic;
        -- data
        sample_in_left: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);

```

```

        sample_out_left: out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
        sample_in_right: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
        sample_out_right: out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0)

    );
end entity pipeline_buffer;

```

architecture behave of pipeline_buffer is

```

    signal last_lrclk: std_logic;
begin
    process (clk, reset)
    begin
        if (reset='0') then
            sample_out_right <= (others => '0');
            sample_out_left <= (others => '0');
        elsif rising_edge(clk) then
            sample_out_right <= sample_in_right;
            sample_out_left <= sample_in_left;
        end if;
    end process;
end architecture behave;

```

-----*Volume Module*-----

--*volume.vhd*

--*A simple digital amplifier with overflow control. It multiplies the input signal by volume/512. Overflows are caught and result in the saturation of the amplifier.*

```

library IEEE;
use IEEE.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.std_logic_arith.all;

```

```
use ieee.std_logic_signed.all;
```

```
entity volume is
```

```
    port (
        -- data
        sample_in: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
        sample_out: out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
        -- params
        parameter: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0)
    );
```

```
end entity volume;
```

```
architecture beh of volume is
```

```
    signal signal_unnormalized: std_logic_vector(31 downto 0);
```

```
begin
```

```
    signal_unnormalized <= sample_in * parameter;
```

```
    normalize_saturate: process(signal_unnormalized)
```

```
    begin
```

```
        if (signal_unnormalized(31) = '1') then -- result negative
```

```
            if (signal_unnormalized(30 downto 23) = "11111111") then
```

```
                -- no overflow
```

```
                sample_out <= '1' & signal_unnormalized(22 downto 8);
```

```
            else -- overflow negative
```

```
                sample_out <= "100000000000000000";
```

```
            end if;
```

```
        else -- result positive
```

```
            if (signal_unnormalized(30 downto 23) = "00000000") then
```

```
                -- no overflow
```

```
                sample_out <= '0' & signal_unnormalized(22 downto 8);
```

```
            else -- overflow positive
```

```

                sample_out <= "0111111111111111";
            end if;
        end if;
    end process;
end architecture beh;

```

-----*Audio Deserializer*-----

-- *Audio - buffer . Receives serial data from ADC , 32 bits including both --*
-- *channels , and transmits 2x16 bit packages , left channel --*
-- *first , in parallel at the output . --*

```

library ieee ;
use ieee . std_logic_1164 .all ;
entity Audio_DeserializeR is
port (
    --clock and adc data care
    reset : in std_logic ;
    bclk : in std_logic ;
    lrck : in std_logic ;
    adc_data : in std_logic ;
    --adc audio buffered to 16 bit each channel
    left_word : out std_logic_vector (15 downto 0);
    right_word : out std_logic_vector (15 downto 0)
);

end entity Audio_DeserializeR ;

```

architecture structure of Audio_DeserializeR is

```

type state is (IDLE , RECEIVE , TRANSFER_LEFT , TRANSFER_RIGHT );
signal next_state : state ;
signal audio_data : std_logic_vector (31 downto 0); --Audio - data storage
signal counter : integer range 31 downto 0 := 31;

```

```
begin
```

```
FSM : process (bclk , reset )
```

```
begin
```

```
-- Initial configuration of buffer
```

```
if( reset = '0') then
```

```
    next_state <= IDLE ;
```

```
    left_word <= ( OTHERS => '0');
```

```
    right_word <= ( OTHERS => '0');
```

```
    audio_data <= ( OTHERS => '0');
```

```
elseif ( rising_edge (bclk )) then
```

```
    case next_state is
```

```
    --IDLE state
```

```
when IDLE =>
```

```
--Codec transfers data from ADC
```

```
    if( lrck = '1') then
```

```
        next_state <= RECEIVE ;
```

```
    elseif (lrck = '0') then
```

```
        next_state <= IDLE ;
```

```
    end if;
```

```
--Receive data from both channels , left channel first
```

```
when RECEIVE =>
```

```
    if( counter > 0) then
```



```

        audio_data ( counter ) <= adc_data ;
        --Saves audio data
        counter <= counter - 1;
        next_state <= RECEIVE ;
    else
        audio_data ( counter ) <= adc_data ;
        counter <= 31;
        next_state <= TRANSFER_LEFT ;
    end if;

    --Puts left channel data on the parallel output
    when TRANSFER_LEFT =>
        left_word (15 downto 0) <= audio_data (31 downto 16);
        next_state <= TRANSFER_RIGHT ;

    --Puts right channel data on the parallel output
    when TRANSFER_RIGHT =>
        right_word (15 downto 0) <= audio_data (15 downto 0);
        next_state <= IDLE ;
    end case ;
end if;
end process ;
end architecture ;

```

-----*Mono Selector*-----

--mono_selector.vhd

--Since guitar input is usually a mono signal with the right channel left silent, this

--module can be used to feed both channels from the left channel input.

```

library IEEE;

```

```
use IEEE.std_logic_1164.all;
```

```
entity mono_selector is
```

```
    port (
```

```
        -- data
```

```
        sample_in_left: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
```

```
        sample_in_right: in std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
```

```
        sample_out_left: out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
```

```
        sample_out_right: out std_logic_vector(15 downto 0);
```

```
        -- params
```

```
        mono: in std_logic
```

```
    );
```

```
end entity mono_selector;
```

```
architecture beh of mono_selector is
```

```
begin
```

```
    sample_out_right <= sample_in_right when mono = '0' else sample_in_left;
```

```
    sample_out_left <= sample_in_left;
```

```
end architecture beh;
```

```
-----Audio Serializer-----
```

```
-----  
-- Audio output buffer . Receives 2 x 24 bit parallel data packages --
```

```
-- from filter , and puts 32 bits of serial data to the output when --
```

```
-- audio - codec is ready to receive . --  
-----
```

```
library ieee ;
```

```
use ieee . std_logic_1164 .all ;
```

```

entity Audio_SerializeR is
port (
    --clock care
    reset : in std_logic ;
    bclk : in std_logic ;
    lrck : in std_logic ;
    --sample to be serialized
    left_word : in std_logic_vector (15 downto 0);
    right_word : in std_logic_vector (15 downto 0);
    --dac data output
    dac_data : out std_logic -- Output to the audio - codec
);
end entity Audio_SerializeR ;

```

architecture structure of Audio_SerializeR is

```

type state is (IDLE , RECEIVE_RIGHT , START_TRANSFER ,
              CONT_TRANSFER );
signal next_state : state ;
signal audio_data : std_logic_vector (31 downto 0);
signal counter : integer range 31 downto 0 := 31;

begin

FSM : process (bclk , reset )
begin
    -- Initial configuration of output buffer
    if( reset = '0') then
        next_state <= IDLE ;
        dac_data <= '0';
        audio_data (31 downto 0) <= ( OTHERS => '0');
    end if;
end process;

```

```

elsif ( rising_edge (bclk )) then
    case next_state is

--IDLE state
when IDLE =>
    --Save data for left channel on the 16 MSBs
    audio_data (31 downto 16) <= left_word (15 downto 0);
    next_state <= RECEIVE_RIGHT ;

-- Receive and save data (24 bit) for right channel
when RECEIVE_RIGHT =>
    audio_data (15 downto 0) <= right_word (15 downto 0);
    next_state <= START_TRANSFER ;

-- Transmits the MSB to audio - codec when codec is ready
when START_TRANSFER =>
    if (lrck = '1') then --When DAC is ready
        --MSB left channel
        dac_data <= audio_data ( counter );
        counter <= counter - 1;
        next_state <= CONT_TRANSFER ;
    elsif (lrck = '0') then
        next_state <= START_TRANSFER ;
    end if;

--Sends the rest of the audio data to the codec in serial
when CONT_TRANSFER =>
    if( counter > 0) then
        dac_data <= audio_data ( counter );
        counter <= counter - 1;
        next_state <= CONT_TRANSFER ;
    end if;

```

```
else
    dac_data <= audio_data ( counter );
    counter <= 31;
    next_state <= IDLE ;
end if;
end case ;
end if;
end process ;
end architecture ;
```