

SORS: Database Analytics with High Level Synthesis on FPGAs

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Abstract: Today, large scale data analytics has become essential for business and society. As of 2012, about 2.5 exabytes of data are created each day, and that number is doubling approximately every 40 months. In order to access, synthesize and interpret this data continuously, efficient execution of Database Management System (DBMS) engines has become an important area of research. In this seminar, we explore how to accelerate data processing operations on top of field-programmable gate arrays (FPGAs) using High-Level Synthesis (HLS) tools. Due to their programmable nature, FPGAs are very versatile. High level synthesis tools enable high level descriptions in C to be directly targeted into FPGA hardware. We demonstrate that full TPC-H benchmark queries can be executed using our engine, which can provide high performance and low power consumption on Xilinx Virtex-7 FPGAs.

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