



Implementing the TensorFlow Model on FPGA

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Introduction

Fast Radio Burst

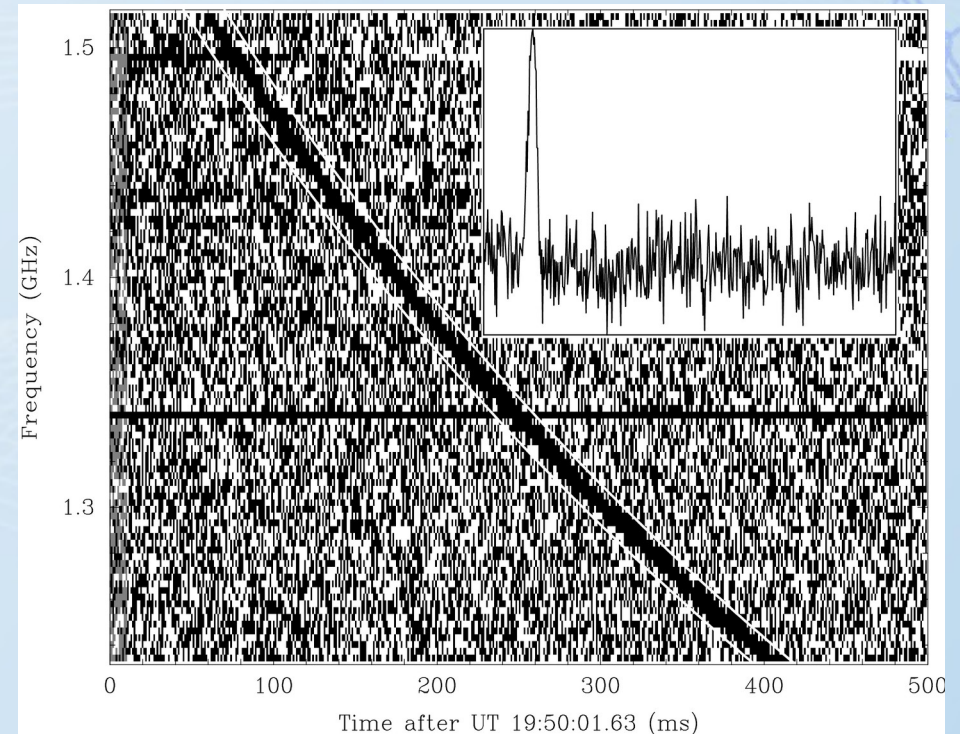
Bright ~ 50 mJy to ~ 100 Jy

Short duration ~ 1 μ s to ~ 100 ms

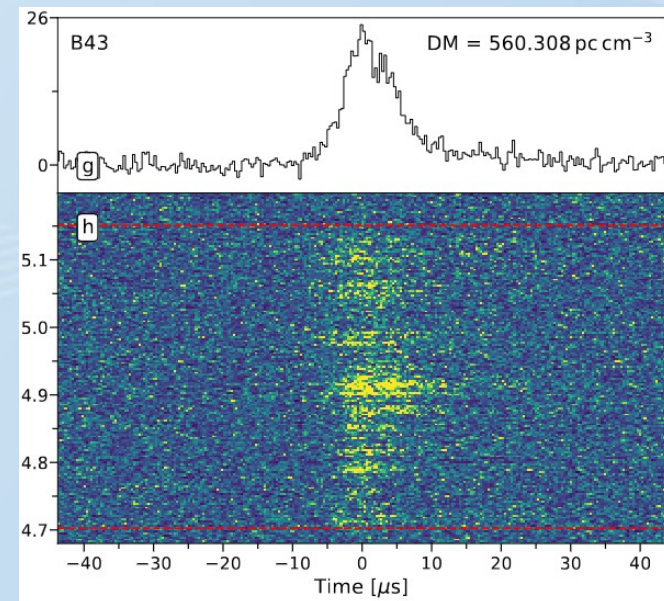
Extragalactic origin



The Parkes 64m Radio Telescope

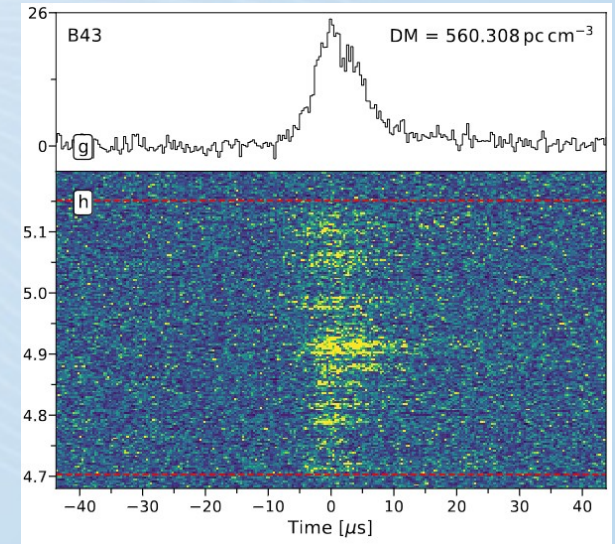
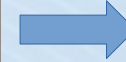
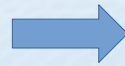


Lorimer Burst (Lorimer et al. 2007)

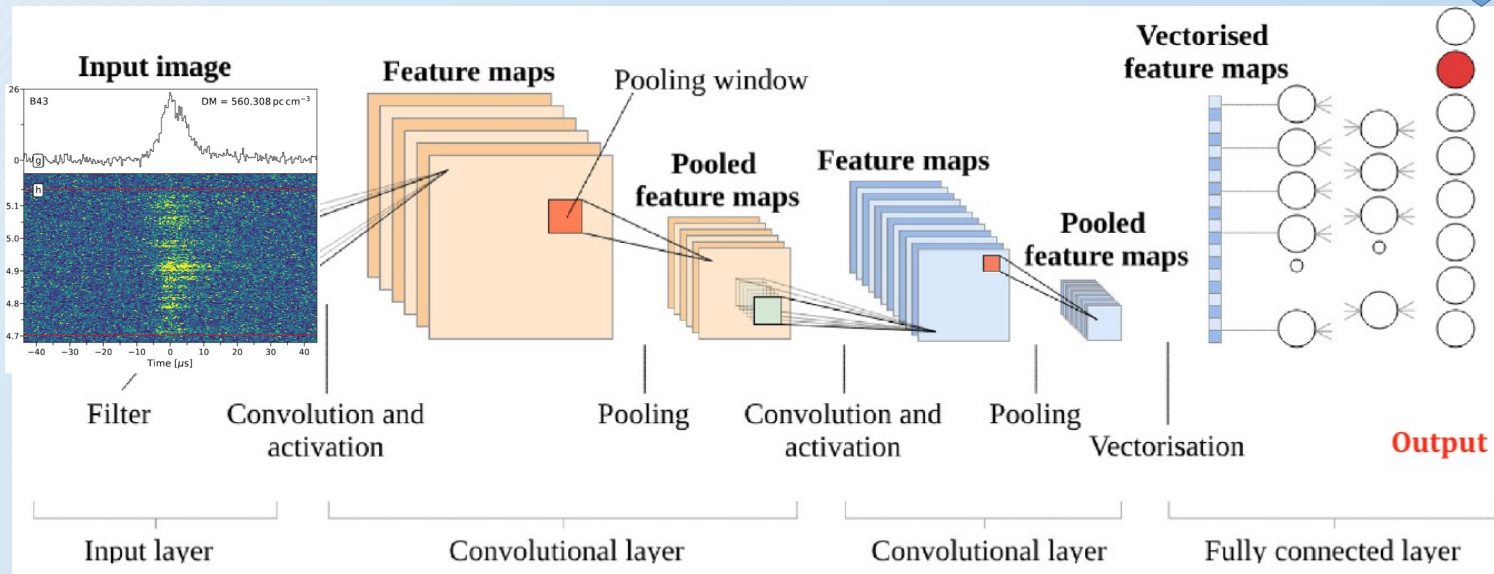




Real-time pipeline



trigger

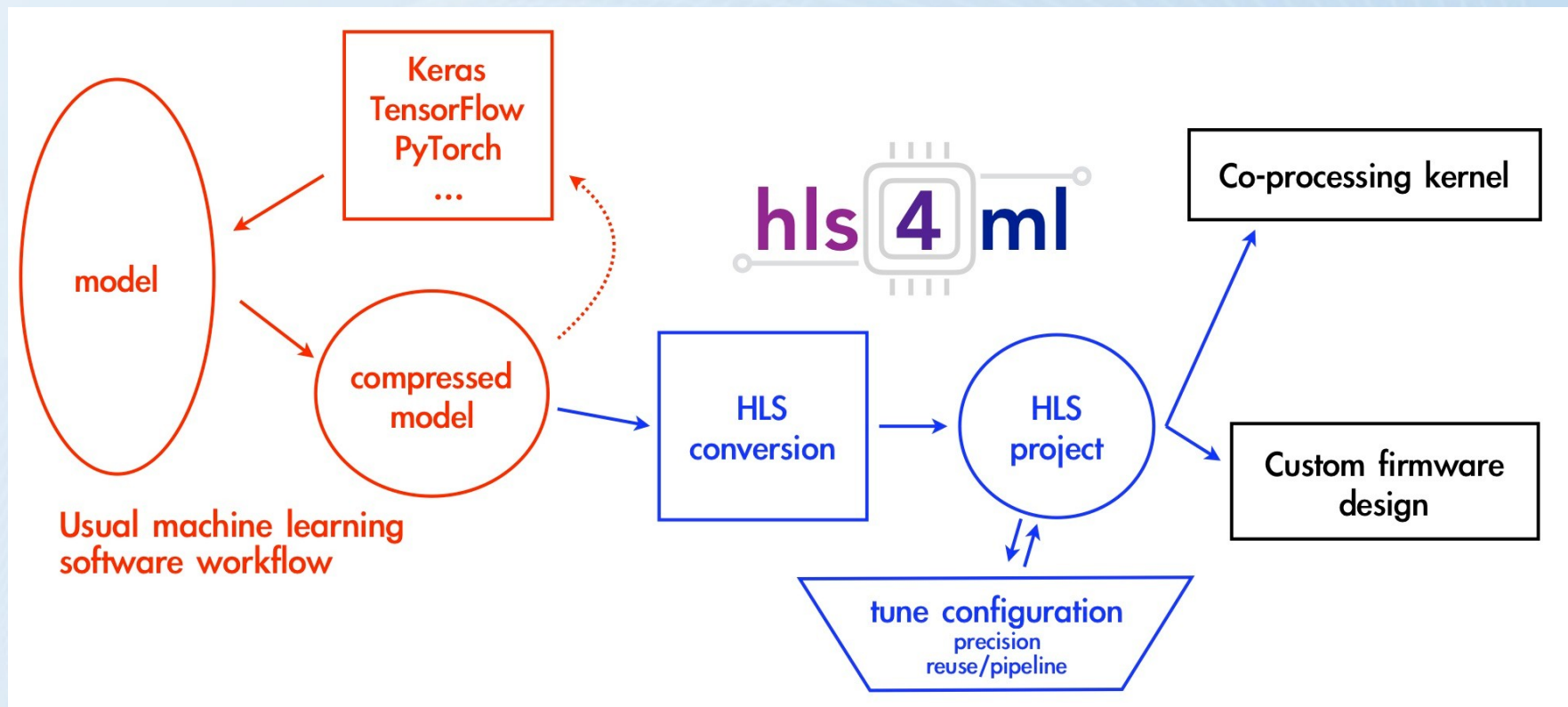




HLS4ML



<https://github.com/fastmachinelearning/hls4ml>





Workflows



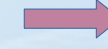
vivado_hls

vivado

myproject.cpp (hls4ml)

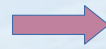


Vivado IP



krnl_ai.xo

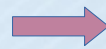
mm2s.cpp (HLS)



krnl_mm2s.xo

vitis_hls

s2mm.cpp (HLS)



krnl_s2mm.xo



xclbin file

copy from host to HBM

run krnl_mm2s

run krnl_ai

run krnl_mm2s

copy from HBM to host

verification

host.cpp



gcc

binary file

synthesis

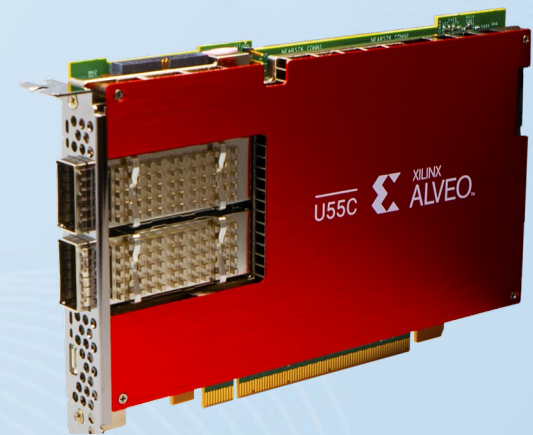
place & route

bitstream generation

vivado



Xilinx Alveo Card



Specification	U55C
Product SKU	A-U55C-P00G-PQ-G
Total electrical card load ¹	150W
Thermal design power (TDP) ²	115W
Thermal cooling solution	Passive
Weight	519g
Form factor	Full height, half length
Network interface	2 x QSFP28
PCIe interface ³	Gen3 x16, 2 x Gen4 x8
HBM2 total capacity	16 GB
HBM2 bandwidth	460 GB/s
Look-up tables (LUTs)	1,304K
Registers	2,607K
DSP slices	9,024
Maximum distributed RAM	36.7 Mb
36 Kb block RAM	70.9 Mb
288 Kb UltraRAM	960 (270 Mb)
GTY transceivers	24
Qualified for deployment	Yes



Pre-Implementation metrics

tensorflow model



Performance Estimates

Timing

Summary

Clock	Target	Estimated	Uncertainty
ap_clk	5.00 ns	13.773 ns	0.62 ns

Latency

Summary

Latency (cycles)		Latency (absolute)		Interval (cycles)		
min	max	min	max	min	max	Type
71281	71624	0.982 ms	0.987 ms	42337	71345	dataflow

Utilization Estimates

Summary

Name	BRAM_18K	DSP48E	FF	LUT	URAM
DSP	-	-	-	-	-
Expression	-	-	0	2	-
FIFO	76	-	3820	8632	-
Instance	102	649	61768	201532	-
Memory	-	-	-	-	-
Multiplexer	-	-	-	-	-
Register	-	-	-	-	-
Total	178	649	65588	210166	0
Available	4032	9024	2607360	1303680	960
Available SLR	1344	3008	869120	434560	320
Utilization (%)	4	7	2	16	0
Utilization SLR (%)	13	21	7	48	0

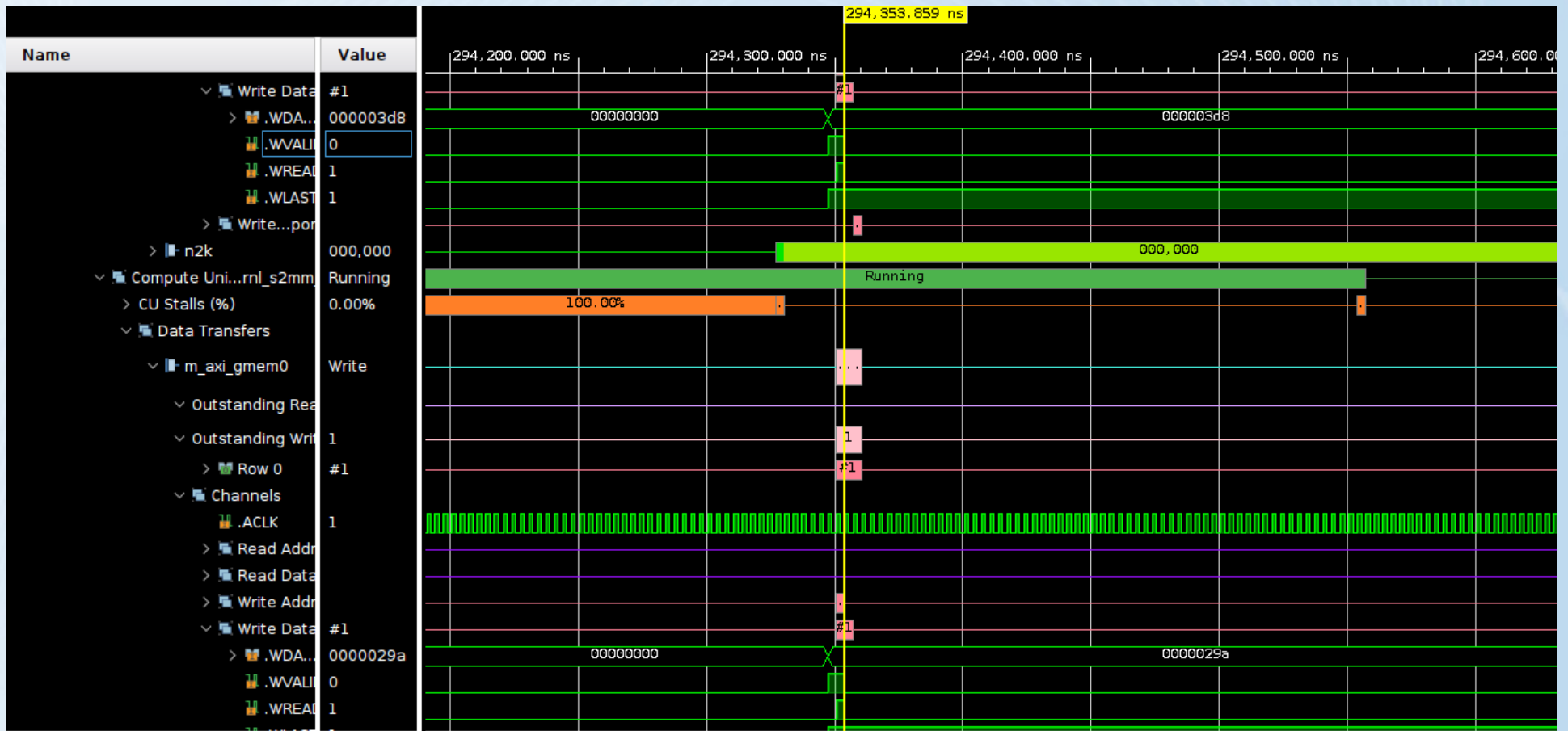
Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d_19 (Conv2D)	(None, 30, 30, 4)	40
conv2d_20 (Conv2D)	(None, 28, 28, 4)	148
conv2d_21 (Conv2D)	(None, 24, 24, 4)	404
max_pooling2d_4 (MaxPooling 2D)	(None, 12, 12, 4)	0
conv2d_22 (Conv2D)	(None, 10, 10, 8)	296
conv2d_23 (Conv2D)	(None, 8, 8, 8)	584
conv2d_24 (Conv2D)	(None, 6, 6, 8)	584
max_pooling2d_5 (MaxPooling 2D)	(None, 3, 3, 8)	0
conv2d_25 (Conv2D)	(None, 1, 1, 16)	1168
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None, 16)	0
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 64)	1088
dense_3 (Dense)	(None, 4)	260
Total params: 4,572		
Trainable params: 4,572		
Non-trainable params: 0		



Hardware emulation



- Tensorflow output: (3.3878484e-06, 9.6108353e-01, 6.5116578e-01, 5.2037290e-08)
- Emulation output: (0, 9.609375e-01, 6.50390625e-01, 0)





Post-Implementation Metrics

Power

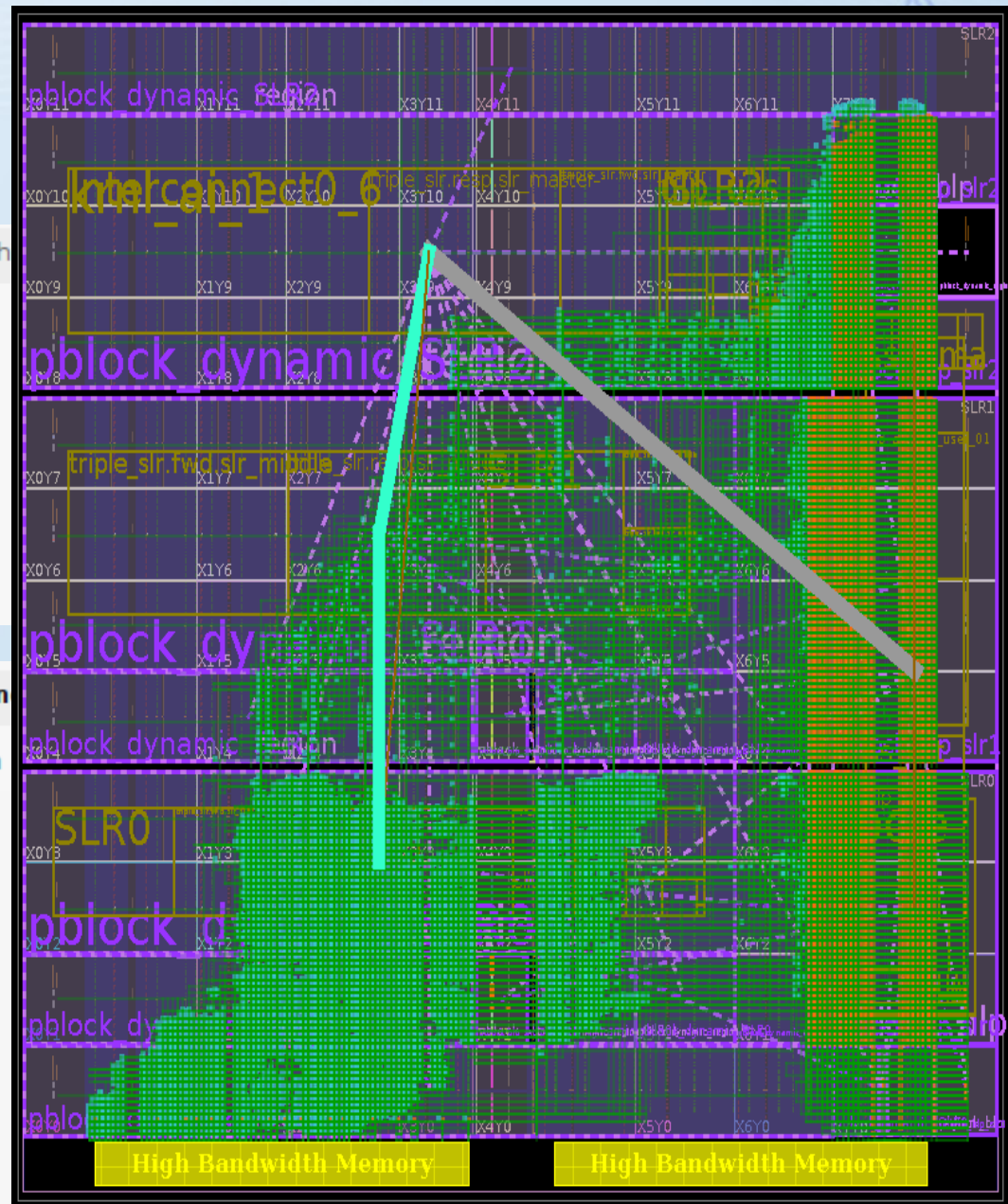
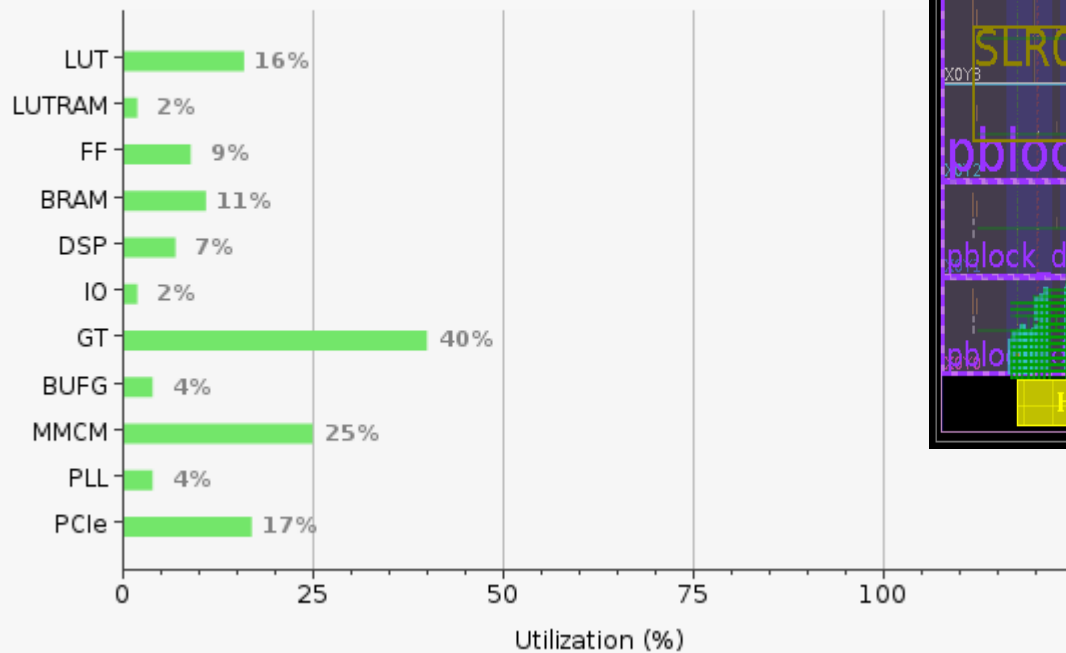
Summary | On-Chip

Total On-Chip Power:	19.77 W
Junction Temperature:	69.8 °C
Thermal Margin:	30.2 °C (32.7 W)
Effective θ_{JA} :	0.8 °C/W
Power supplied to off-chip devices:	0 W
Confidence level:	Low
Implemented Power Report	

Utilization

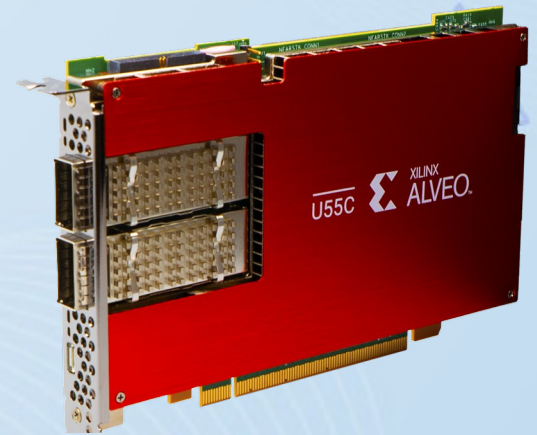
Post-Synthesis | Post-Implement

Graph





Hardware test



The results are consistent!

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ypmen@fpgdev:~/alveo/punch$ ./host -x krnl_ai.xclbin
Open the device0
Load the xclbin krnl_ai.xclbin
Allocate Buffer in Global Memory
synchronize input buffer data to device global memory
Getting Results...
verify data...
0
0.960938
0.650391
0
Test passed!
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Thank you!