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### LAB 3: Memory System Design / Booth Multiplier Design

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Objective: In the first part of the lab, you will use Verilog to model RAM modules. In the second part, you will design a multiplier for signed binary numbers using Booth's algorithm.

#### I. RAM

There are several ways to implement a memory component in an Altera FPGA. One method is to instantiate a RAM module from the Quartus II Library of Parameterized Modules. The MegaWizard Plug-in Manager enables you to configure the RAM module to fit your desired specifications. Another way to implement a memory component is to model it behaviorally in Verilog. In this lab, you will implement memory components using behavioral modeling.

Memory can be specified in Verilog as a two-dimensional array. For example, a memory with 32 words and 8-bits per word can be declared with the statement:

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reg [7:0] memory [31:0];
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In the Cyclone II FPGA, memory can be implemented either using flip-flops or by using dedicated memory resources within the FPGA known as M4K blocks. Each M4K block contains 4096 memory bits that can be configured to implement various memory modules. The EP2C35 FPGA that we are using contains 105 M4K blocks for a total of 483,840 total RAM bits. Depending on how you write your Verilog code, the Quartus II compiler will either infer flip-flops or M4K memory blocks to implement your memory device.

In this part, you will design **two** 16x8 RAM modules and implement them in the Altera DE2 board. The block diagram for a 16x8 RAM is shown in Figure 1.

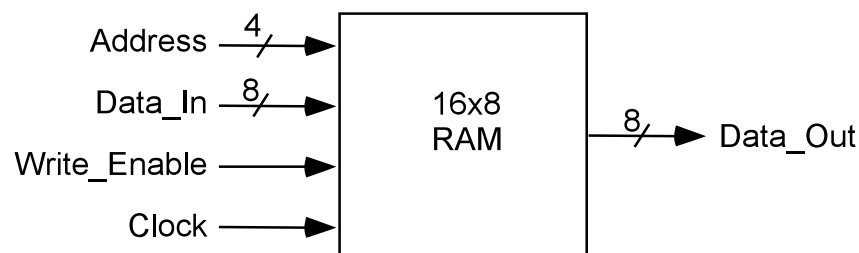


Figure 1. A 16x8 RAM module

You will test your memory modules using the switches, LEDs and 7-segment displays on the Altera DE2 board. The I/O device assignments are as follows:

I/O signal	DE2 device
Write Enable (for both RAM modules)	SW[17]
Select RAM module for writing	SW[16]
Clock	KEY[0]
Address (for both RAM modules)	SW[13:10]
Data_In (for both RAM modules)	SW[7:0]
Address Display	HEX6
Data_In Display	HEX5, HEX4
RAM1 Data_Out Display	HEX3, HEX2
RAM0 Data_Out Display	HEX1, HEX0

Your memory modules must operate as follows:

- Only one RAM module (RAM1 or RAM0) can be written into at a time.
- The Select switch (SW[16]) determines which memory module will be written.
- A write operation will occur to the selected RAM module on a positive Clock transition when the Write Enable signal is active (high).
- Both RAM modules can be read to their respective 7-segment displays simultaneously.
- The RAM output data can be either clocked (synchronous) or unclocked (asynchronous).

Perform the following steps:

1. Write the Verilog code to implement the two 16x8 RAM modules on the Altera DE2 board in M4K blocks. (See the Quartus II Help documents on “Implementing Inferred RAM” for code examples.) Compile your program. Verify that your code infers M4K memory blocks by examining the Compilation Report. Ideally, you should also determine how to infer flip-flops for your memory devices instead of M4K blocks.
2. Modify your Verilog design to specify the initial contents of your RAM modules. The easiest way to do this is by using an **initial** construct. For example, you could use a for-loop within an **initial** block to initialize the RAM contents. Another option is to use a MIF (Memory Initialization File) to assign initial values. (See the Quartus II Help documentation on “Specifying the Initial Contents of Inferred Memories in Verilog HDL Designs” for information on both methods of memory initialization.) The **initial** construct is probably more straight-forward for our application.
3. Download and test your design. Demonstrate to your TA that you can read out the initial contents of your RAM modules and also that you can write new values to the RAMs.

## II. Booth's Multiplier Design

In this part, you will use Verilog to design and simulate a multiplier for twos complement, signed binary numbers using Booth's algorithm. This specification of Booth's algorithm is taken from problem 4.15 in Digital Systems Design Using VHDL, by Charles Roth, PWS Publishing Company, 1998.

“Booth's algorithm works as follows, assuming each number is n bits including sign: Use an (n+1)-bit register for the accumulator (A) so the sign bit will not be lost if an overflow occurs. Also, use an (n+1)-bit register (B) to hold the multiplier and an n-bit register (C) to hold the multiplicand.

1. Clear A (the accumulator), load the multiplier into the upper n bits of B, clear B<sub>0</sub>, and load the multiplicand into C.
2. Test the lower two bits of B (B<sub>1</sub>B<sub>0</sub>).
  - If B<sub>1</sub>B<sub>0</sub> = 01, then add C to A (C should be sign-extended to n+1 bits and added to A using an (n+1)-bit adder).
  - If B<sub>1</sub>B<sub>0</sub> = 10, then add the 2's complement of C to A.
  - If B<sub>1</sub>B<sub>0</sub> = 00 or 11, skip this step.
3. Shift A and B together right one place with sign extended.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3, n-1 more times.
5. The product will be in A and B, except ignore B<sub>0</sub>.

Example for n=5: Multiply -9 by -13.

#	Action	A	B	B <sub>1</sub> B <sub>0</sub>	
1.	Load registers.	000000	100110	10	C=10111
2.	Add 2's comp. of C to A.	<u>001001</u>			
		001001	100110		
3.	Shift A&B.	000100	110011	11	
3.	Shift A&B.	000010	011001	01	
2.	Add C to A.	<u>110111</u>			
		111001	011001		
3.	Shift A&B.	111100	101100	00	
3.	Shift A&B.	111110	010110	10	
2.	Add 2's comp of C to A.	<u>001001</u>			
		000111	010110		
3.	Shift A&B.	000011	101011		

The final result is: 0001110101 = 117.”

The controller for the multiplier can be implemented as a Mealy finite state machine (FSM) with only three states as shown below in Figure 2.

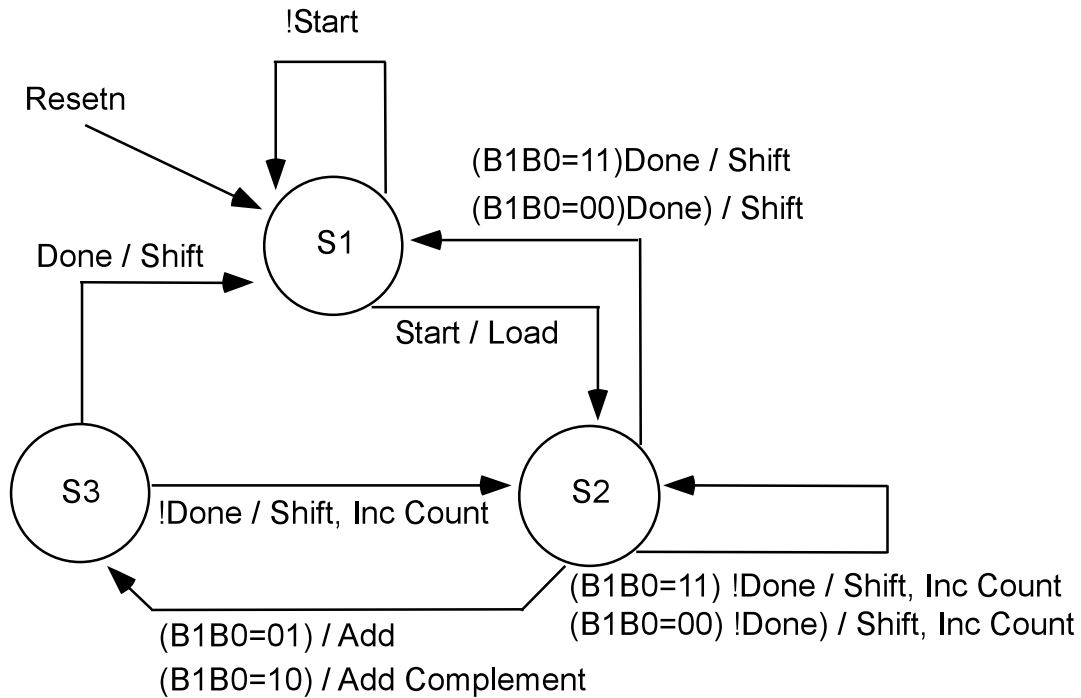


Figure 2. State Diagram for Booth Multiplier

In the reset state, S1, the controller waits for the Start signal. When the controller receives the Start signal, it should generate the Load signal to load registers B and C, clear bit  $B_0$  and register A, and go into state S2. Note that this is a synchronous state machine so all state transitions must be synchronized to the system clock. In state S2, the controller will do the following:

- If  $B_1B_0 = 00$  or  $11$ , shift A and B. If the termination count has been reached, go to S1. Otherwise, increment the count and remain in S2.
- If  $B_1B_0 = 01$ , add C to A and go to S3.
- If  $B_1B_0 = 10$ , add the 2's complement of C to A and go to S3.

In state S3, registers A and B are shifted. If the termination count has been reached, the controller will go to S1; otherwise it will increment the count and go back to S2.

You may have noticed that the FSM operations in each state do not exactly coincide with the algorithm description given earlier. However, if you carefully compare the flows of the FSM and the algorithm, you will see that the FSM accomplishes the same operations with fewer state transitions.

Perform the following steps:

1. Write the Verilog code for an 8-bit Booth multiplier (n=8). Your Verilog module should have the following inputs and outputs:

Inputs: Clock, Resetn, Start, Multiplier (Mplier), Multiplicand (Mcand)

Outputs: Done, Product

2. Simulate your Verilog design with a test bench using the following test cases. The numbers are in twos-complement format.

01100110 x 00110011

10100110 x 01100110

01101011 x 10001110

11001100 x 10011001

10000000 x 10000000

11111111 x 11111111

00000000 x 01010101

01111111 x 01111111

The test bench code is provided to you at the end of this write-up. Study the code so that you understand how it works.

3. Demonstrate your simulation to your TA and have him sign a verification sheet. Print your simulation waveforms for a single multiplication.
4. Modify your Verilog code so that your multiplier can be implemented on the Altera DE2 board. Use switches SW<sub>15-8</sub> to input the multiplier (Mplier), switches SW<sub>7-0</sub> to input the multiplicand (Mcand), and SW<sub>17</sub> to generate the Start signal. Use pushbutton switches KEY<sub>1-0</sub> for the Clock and Resetn signals. Display the hex value of Mplier on HEX7-6, the hex value of Mcand on HEX5-4 and the hex value of Product on HEX3-0. You can also use the LEDs (LEDR and LEDG) to display signals such as Done, Start, Resetn, and Clock.
5. Synthesize your multiplier circuit and verify that it compiles without errors. (Don't forget to import the pin assignments for the DE2 board.) Download and test your circuit. Demonstrate your working circuit to your TA and have him sign a verification sheet.

### III. Lab Report

For your lab report, include the following:

- Lab Cover Sheet with signed TA verification for successful download of Part I, simulation of Part II, and download of Part II.
- Complete Verilog source code for your Parts I and II.
- Simulation waveforms of your functional simulations.
- Resource report indicating how many FPGA resources were required for each the

designs in Parts I and II.

#### **IV. Grading Guidelines**

- Part I demonstration 25 points
- Part II Functional Simulation 50 points
- Part II Synthesis and Download 50 points
- Lab Report 25 points

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Part I of this lab is based on the Altera Laboratory Exercise 8: Memory Blocks.

([ftp://ftp.altera.com/up/pub/Laboratory\\_Exercises/DE2/Digital\\_Logic/Verilog/lab8\\_Verilog.pdf](ftp://ftp.altera.com/up/pub/Laboratory_Exercises/DE2/Digital_Logic/Verilog/lab8_Verilog.pdf))

Part II of this lab is based on problem 4.15 in Digital Systems Design Using VHDL, by Charles Roth, PWS Publishing Company, 1998.

## V. Appendix – Test Bench Code

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//----- tb_booth.v -----
module tb_booth;
parameter n=8; // n-bit Booth multiplier
parameter num_vectors=8;
reg Clock, Resetn, Start;
wire Done;
reg [n-1:0] Mplier, Mcand;
wire [n+n-1:0] Product;
reg [n+n-1:0] vectors [0:num_vectors-1];
integer i;

booth UUT (.Clock(Clock), .Resetn(Resetn), .Start(Start),
.Mplier(Mplier), .Mcand(Mcand), .Done(Done), .Product(Product));

initial // Clock generator
begin
    Clock = 1'b0;
    forever #20 Clock = ~Clock; // Clock period = 40 ns
end

initial // Test stimulus
begin
    Resetn = 1'b0; // synchronous reset of state machine
    Start = 1'b0; // set Start to 'false'
    #80 Resetn = 1'b1; // reset low for 2 Clock periods
    $readmemb ("testvecs", vectors); // read testvecs file
    for (i=0; i<num_vectors; i=i+1) begin
        {Mplier, Mcand} = vectors[i]; // load Mplier, Mcand
        #20 Start = 1'b1; // Start = 'true'
        #80 Start = 1'b0; // After 2 clock cycles, reset Start
        wait (Done==1);
        wait (Done==0);
        $display("Mplier=%h, Mcand=%h, Product=%h",Mplier,Mcand,Product);
    end
end

endmodule

// File: testvecs
//
01100110_00110011
10100110_01100110
01101011_10001110
11001100_10011001
10000000_10000000
11111111_11111111
00000000_01010101
01111111_01111111
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