EE2026: DIGITAL DESIGN

Academic Year 2021-2022, Semester 2

LAB 2: Combinational Circuits in Verilog

OVERVIEW:

A combinational circuit is one where the outputs depend only on the current inputs. In this lab, we will be designing some combinational circuits that are able to perform addition.

The pre-requisite for this lab requires one to be able to:

- Create a Verilog project and design source in Vivado.
- Create a testbench to simulate the design source.
- Generate the RTL schematic and the synthesised circuit schematic of design source.
- Map and implement a design on the Basys 3 development board.
- Understand well the contents of Lectures 1, 2, and especially 3: Introduction to Verilog.

This lab will cover the following:

- Designing a one-bit full adder circuit using the dataflow modelling method.
- Designing a two-bit parallel adder circuit using the structural modelling method.

Tasks for this lab include:

- Designing the Verilog code of a one-bit full adder.
- Designing, simulating and implementing a four-bit parallel adder on the FPGA.
- Understanding a 1-bit two-to-one multiplexer.

GRADED ASSIGNMENT [LUMINUS SUBMISSION: WEDNESDAY 9th FEBRUARY 2022, NOON]:

Further details are available at the end of this lab manual

ONE-BIT-FULL ADDER:

Consider the binary addition shown in *Figure 2.1*. To design a circuit that would perform the addition of two one-bit values, the circuit would need to have three input bits and two output bits.



Figure 2.1: Binary Addition and functional block diagram of the one-bit full adder

Such a circuit is called a one-bit full adder. It adds two bits (A, B) and the carry (C_{in}) from a previous stage of addition, and produces a sum (S) and a carry (C_{out}) , as illustrated through a truth table in *Figure 2.2*. By simplifying the truth table, the Boolean expressions for S and C_{out} can be obtained.

Α	В	C _{in}	S	C _{out}
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

Figure 2.2: Truth table and boolean expressions of the one-bit full adder

Note: A half adder, in contrast to a full adder, does not involve a carry input. Thus, for a half adder, $S = A \oplus B$, and $C_{out} = AB$

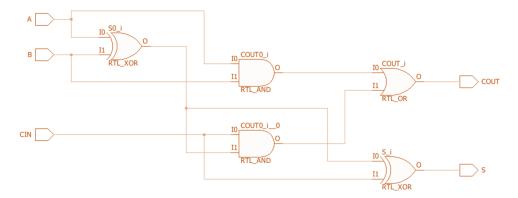
UNDERSTANDING | TASK 1

Using the dataflow method, complete the Verilog code for the one-bit full adder. Verify that the RTL schematic is as shown.

Verilog skeleton code for the one-bit-full adder:

```
module my_full_adder(input A, B, CIN, output S, COUT);
   assign S =
   assign COUT =
```

RTL schematic for the one-bit full adder:



TWO-BIT FULL ADDER:

By cascading one-bit full adder blocks, the one-bit adder can be reused and parallel adders that add multiple bits can be created through the structural modelling method. A two-bit ripple-carry adder is illustrated in *Figure 2.3*.

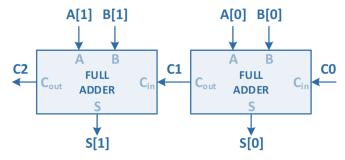


Figure 2.3: Functional block diagram of the two-bit ripple-carry adder

With the code for a one-bit full adder, a new module is created and two full adder blocks (fa0, fa1) are instantiated. By specifying the inputs and outputs to these blocks, the connection **C1** between them is made. Note that the order of signals during instantiation should respect the order in which they were declared in the one-bit full adder module **my_full_adder**.

This approach to hardware description is called structural modelling, whereby a more abstract module (for example, my_2_bit_adder) is built from simpler components describing gate-level hardware (such as my_full_adder).

Verilog code for two-bit ripple-carry adder, using structural modelling:

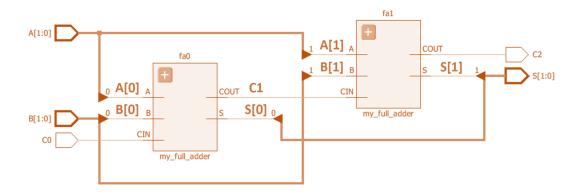
[Note] Two-bit port declaration for A, B, S:

Instead of having multiple input and output ports (A1, A0, B1, B0, S1, S0), multi-bit vector ports are defined.

Example: input [5:0] apple

Input port name is apple, with size of 6 bits. apple[5] refers to the MSB, apple[0] refers to the LSB.

RTL schematic for the two-bit ripple-carry adder:



FOUR-BIT FULL ADDER:

The functional block diagram of a four-bit ripple-carry adder is shown in *Figure 2.4*.

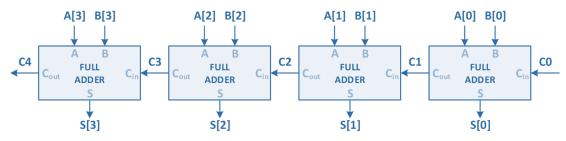


Figure 2.4: Functional block diagram of a four-bit ripple-carry adder

UNDERSTANDING | TASK 2

Start by adding a new design source for the four-bit full adder.

- 1. By using the structural modelling method, design a four-bit ripple-carry adder.
- 2. Generate the RTL schematic and check that connections between the blocks are correct.
- 3. Simulate your code with the following three sets of input values, and check that the simulation outputs are correct:

[Note] Brief guidelines for multi-bit vector ports in the testbench:

- ► The port size should be indicated when declaring the signals. Inputs to the module being tested are declared using reg, whereas outputs from the module being tested are declared using wire:

 reg [3:0] A; wire [3:0] S;
- ▶ The parameters for the module being tested do not need the port size of the signals: my 4 bit_adder module_alias (A, B, CARRY IN, S, CARRY OUT);
- ► The testbench stimuli for multi-bit vector ports can be written as: A = 4′b0011; B = 4′b0011; CARRY IN = 1′b0;

4. Synthesise and implement your code on the FPGA, using appropriate switches and LEDs on the Basys 3 development board to represent the inputs and outputs.

This task is considered completed and understood if you have the following items related to the four-bit full adder:

- The RTL schematic of your design (item 2 of this task)
- The simulation waveform results of the three testbench stimuli (item 3 of this task)
- The four-bit ripple-carry adder on the Basys 3 development board (item 4 of this task)

UNDERSTANDING | TASK 3

Instead of using four one-bit adder blocks, can you think of an alternative way (still using structural modelling) in creating the four-bit ripple-carry adder? Consider doing the same things as indicated in **UNDERSTANDING | TASK 2** by using such alternative way. This task is meant as practice for you to improve your Vivado skills and Verilog understanding, and will not be explained.

1-BIT TWO-TO-ONE MULTIPLEXER (POST-LAB NON-GRADED – NO SUBMISSION REQUIRED):

A multiplexer (MUX) is a combinational circuit that connects one of its input signals to the output, based on the control signal. A simple 1-bit two-to-one mux, with inputs **A**, **B**, control signal **S**, and output **Z**, is illustrated as a functional block diagram, together with its simplified truth table, in **Figure 2.5**.

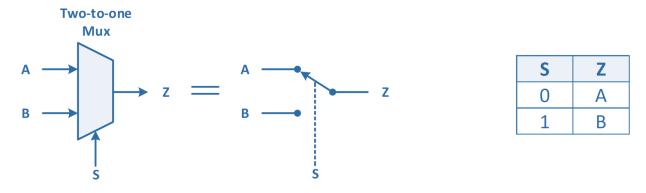


Figure 2.5: Functional block diagram and truth table of a 1-bit two-to-one multiplexer

UNDERSTANDING | TASK 4

A quick way to implement the Verilog code for a 1-bit two-to-one multiplexer is using the conditional syntax:

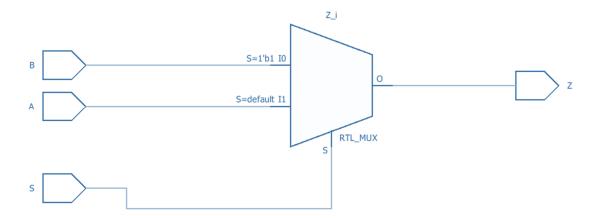
condition ? expression1 : expression2;

Notice in the schematic, how the code is automatically recognised as a MUX.

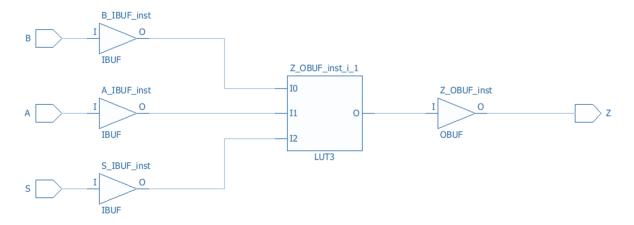
Verilog code for 1-bit two-to-one mux, using the dataflow method

```
module my_2_to_1_mux (input A, B, S, output Z);
    assign Z = S ? B : A; // assign B to Z if S = 1 or assign A to Z if S = 0;
endmodule
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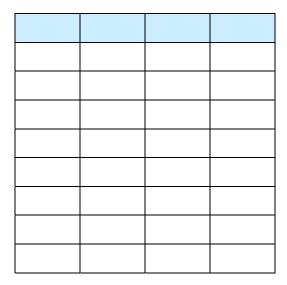
RTL schematic for the 1-bit two-to-one mux



Synthesised design schematic for the 1-bit two-to-one mux



Fill in the truth table for the **LUT3**, as extracted from the synthesised design schematic for the 1-bit two-to-one mux:



Explain how the truth table for the LUT3 matches that of the truth table indicated in Figure 2.5:			

GRADED POST-LAB ASSIGNMENT

Complete as much as possible, in **one working bitstream for this whole assignment**. It is much better to have a working program with some completed functionalities, instead of submitting a program without a working bitstream (No marks given).

IMPORTANT CHARACTERS

In this assignment, these are the important characters to note from your student matriculation number:

- The 2nd rightmost numerical value of your student matriculation number (Initialisation, subtask B and subtask C)
- The 3rd rightmost numerical value of your student matriculation number (Subtask A)

INITIALISATION

When the program starts, the seven segment displays must show the following patterns exactly, based on the 2nd rightmost numerical value of your student matriculation number:

2 nd Rightmost Numerical Value	0	1	2	3	4
Required 7-Segments Displays					
2 nd Rightmost Numerical Value	5	6	7	8	9

SUBTASK A

Based on the 3rd rightmost numerical value of your student matriculation number, create two separate parallel adders as indicated in the table below:

3 rd Rightmost Numerical Value	Required parallel adders. Each one of these parallel adders must be made up of multiple 1-bit adders		
0	2-bit parallel adder	3-bit parallel adder	
1	3-bit parallel adder	2-bit parallel adder	
2	2-bit parallel adder	4-bit parallel adder	
3	4-bit parallel adder	2-bit parallel adder	
4	3-bit parallel adder	4-bit parallel adder	
5	4-bit parallel adder	3-bit parallel adder	
6	3-bit parallel adder	5-bit parallel adder	
7	5-bit parallel adder	3-bit parallel adder	
8	2-bit parallel adder	5-bit parallel adder	
9	5-bit parallel adder	2-bit parallel adder	

Following that, make use of both parallel adders to create a single complete n-bit parallel adder with inputs A and B, and output S. The bits given to the single complete n-bit adder must be divided between the two parallel adders in the following manner:

3 rd Rightmost Numerical Value	Most significant bits of the complete adder must use the following adder	Least significant bits of the complete adder must use the following adder	n-bit input A, or Input B, of the complete adder	n-bit output S of the complete adder
0	2-bit parallel adder	3-bit parallel adder	5 bits	5 bits
1	3-bit parallel adder	2-bit parallel adder	5 bits	5 bits
2	2-bit parallel adder	4-bit parallel adder	6 bits	6 bits
3	4-bit parallel adder	2-bit parallel adder	6 bits	6 bits
4	3-bit parallel adder	4-bit parallel adder	7 bits	7 bits
5	4-bit parallel adder	3-bit parallel adder	7 bits	7 bits
6	3-bit parallel adder	5-bit parallel adder	8 bits	8 bits
7	5-bit parallel adder	3-bit parallel adder	8 bits	8 bits
8	2-bit parallel adder	5-bit parallel adder	7 bits	7 bits
9	5-bit parallel adder	2-bit parallel adder	7 bits	7 bits

The single complete n-bit adder must not have any inputs or outputs for carry bits.

SUBTASK B

When a certain pushbutton, is pressed and held, certain LEDs on the Basys 3 development board must light up. The pushbutton and LEDs to light up are dependent on the **2**nd **rightmost numerical value of your student matriculation number**, as indicated in the table below:

2 nd Rightmost Numerical Value	Pushbutton to use	LEDs to turn on
0	BTNU (Up)	LD15, LD14, LD13
1	BTNR (Right)	LD15, LD14
2	BTND (Down)	LD15, LD14, LD13, LD12, LD11, LD10
3	BTNL (Left)	LD15, LD14
4	BTNC (Centre)	LD15, LD14, LD13, LD12
5	BTNU (Up)	LD15, LD14
6	BTNR (Right)	LD15, LD14, LD13, LD12
7	BTND (Down)	LD15, LD14, LD13, LD12, LD11, LD10
8	BTNL (Left)	LD15, LD14, LD13, LD12
9	BTNC (Centre)	LD15, LD14, LD13

SUBTASK C

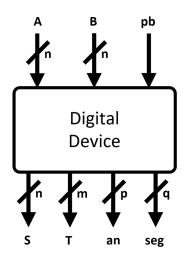
The result from the single complete n-bit adder of SUBTASK A is shown by default on the LEDs of the Basys 3 development board. However, when the user presses and hold the pushbutton that was indicated in SUBTASK B, it is required to have another alternate n-bit result (**AR**) shown on the LEDs of the Basys 3 development board, instead of the n-bit default result (**DR**). That alternate n-bit result is dependent on the **2**nd **rightmost numerical value of your student matriculation number**, as shown in the table below:

2 nd Rightmost Numerical Value	Alternate result (AR)	Further details
0	3 least significant bits of DR inverted	
1	DR divided by 2	Ignore the decimal point of S (Round down)
2	DR multiplied by 8	Ignore bits that exceed the size of S
3	2 most significant bits of DR inverted	
4	DR divided by 4	Ignore the decimal point of S (Round down)
5	DR multiplied by 2	Ignore bits that exceed the size of S
6	4 least significant bits of DR inverted	
7	DR divided by 8	Ignore the decimal point of S (Round down)
8	DR multiplied by 4	Ignore bits that exceed the size of S
9	3 most significant bits of DR inverted	

Arithmetic operators for addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division are **NOT ALLOWED** anywhere inside this whole graded assignment. No marks will be given if arithmetic operators (+, -, *, /) are used

SUBTASK D (Implementation)

Combine the INITIALISATION, SUBTASK A, SUBTASK B and SUBTASK C together, such that the digital device implemented on the Basys 3 development board only have these ports:



INPUTS:

A: n number of switches (Subtasks A and C)B: n number of switches (Subtasks A and C)

pb: one pushbutton (Subtask B)

OUTPUTS:

S: n number of LEDs (Subtasks A and C)
T: m number of LEDS (Subtask B)
an: p number of anodes (Initialisation)
seg: q number of segments (Initialisation)

It is compulsory to use the following switches to represent inputs A and B of the Digital Device:

- The input A must use consecutive switches on the Basys 3 development board, with the **least significant bit A[0] linked to SW0**. Similarly, A[1] should be linked to SW1, A[2] to SW2, and so on.
- The input B must use consecutive switches on the Basys 3 Development board, with the **least significant bit B[0] linked to SW8**. Similarly, B[1] should be linked to SW9, B[2] to SW10, and so on.
- <u>Switches not used by A or B must NOT be used or linked to any other signals under any circumstances</u>. For example, in a 4-bit Digital Device, SW4 to SW7, and SW12 and SW15, should not be linked to any signals, nor used in any circumstances.

It is compulsory to use the following LEDs to represent the output S of the Digital Device:

- The output S must use consecutive LEDs on the Basys 3 development board, with the **least significant bit S[0] linked to LD0**. Similarly, S[1] should be linked to LD1, S[2] should be linked to LD2, and so on.
- <u>LEDs not used by S or T must NOT be used or linked to any other signals under any circumstances</u>. For example, in a 4-bit Digital Device, with the 2nd rightmost numerical value of the student matriculation number being 3, LD4 to LD13, should not be linked to any signals, nor used in any circumstances.

SUBTASK E (Simulation)

You are also required to simulate and verify any six unique test cases in one single simulation for the digital device created in SUBTASK D, and which meets the following conditions:

- At least two of the test cases must have the pushbutton (pb) to be ON
- At least two of the test cases must have the pushbutton (pb) to be OFF
- The anode (an) value and segment (seg) value must match the requirement set out in the INITIALISATION

A screenshot (PrintScreen) of the simulation waveform pattern from the Vivado simulation window must be obtained, and then pasted on a 1-page landscape page. Marks are only given if the simulation waveforms are **clear and meet these number representations**:

- Input A, input B, input pb, output S, output T are all in binary representation
- Output an, output seg, are all in hexadecimal representation

SUBTASK F (RTL Schematics)

A screenshot (PrintScreen) of the RTL analysis schematic from Vivado must be obtained, and then pasted on a 1-page landscape page. You are not allowed to do any editing to the RTL analysis schematic screenshot.

For marks to be awarded, the following conditions must be met for the RTL analysis schematics (The images being shown here is for a Digital Device with A, B and S being 6 bits. The 6 bits consist of a 2-bit parallel adder for the 2 least significant bits, and a 4-bit parallel adder for the 4 most significant bits in this example):

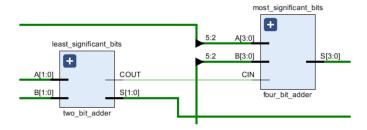
- (1) None of the modules are expanded (That is, screenshot the top-level module clearly after clicking on RTL Analysis -> Schematics). Furthermore, <u>a minimum of two separate parallel adder modules</u> (As indicated in SUBTASK A) <u>must be</u> seen without expanding any modules in the schematics.
- (2) All inputs of the Digital Device (SUBTASK D) must be clear, including the numerical values between the square brackets. For example:



(3) All outputs of the Digital Device (SUBTASK D) must be clear, including the numerical values between the square brackets. For example:



(4) All inputs to, and outputs from, the parallel adder modules must be clear, including the numerical values between the square brackets. For example, in a 6-bit Digital System, there are two parallel adders (As indicated in SUBTASK A) being used:



DOCUMENT UPLOAD REQUIREMENTS:

- (1) Your name and matriculation number on the top of the first page of the document.
- (2) The screenshot (PrintScreen) of the simulation waveform pattern from the Vivado simulation window on the first page of the document.
- (3) The screenshot (PrintScreen) of the RTL analysis schematic from Vivado on the second page of the document.

Print the two pages landscape document as a **single PDF** for LumiNUS upload. The PDF file **must follow the naming template** indicated in the LumiNUS submission instruction at the end of this lab manual.

SUGGESTIONS

- This assignment can be completed by using what you have learnt throughout lab session 2. It is not recommended to use advanced contents not taught in this lab session
- Complete the MUX task and understand the purpose of MUX before working on the assignment
- Use multi-bits to represent the anodes and segment displays
- Assume the pushbutton works like a switch when it is pressed and held
- The following will be taught in subsequent lectures / tutorials / labs, and are thus not necessary in lab 2:
 - o if-else functions
 - always blocks
 - shift operators

EXAMPLE:

If your student matriculation number is A0159089Y, then:

 2^{nd} rightmost numerical value: 8 3^{rd} rightmost numerical value: 0

INITIALISATION



SUBTASK A:

0 2-bit parallel adder	3-bit parallel adder	5 bits	5 bits
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SUBTASK B:

8 BTNL (Left) LD15, LD14, LD13, LD12

SUBTASK C:

8 DR multiplied by 4 Ignore bits that exceed the size of S
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LUMINUS SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- Ensure that your bitstream has been successfully generated and tested on your Basys 3 development board BEFORE archiving
 your Vivado workspace for LumiNUS upload
- It is compulsory to archive your project in a compressed form without any saved simulation waveforms. In the uploaded archive, the codes (.v files) are important, not the waveforms (.wdb files). The archive size should not exceed 4 MB in size for any lab assignments. Follow the instructions given in the pdf: "Archive Project in Vivado 2018.02"
- After following the instructions in "Archive Project in Vivado 2018.02", rename your project archive as indicated in the
 appendix of this lab manual
- <u>Separately</u> from the project archive, **the single PDF document** (Simulation waveform + RTL analysis schematic of the subtractor) is to be named as indicated in the appendix of this lab manual.
- Upload to LumiNUS EE2026 -> Files -> Lab and Project Materials and Submissions -> Lab 2 Submission
- Download your LumiNUS archive after uploading. Click and drag the single folder within that archive to desktop, and then
 open the Vivado project in that extracted folder to see if it can be opened. Check if you can also run your bitstream correctly.
 No project files and no working bitstream is equivalent to losing all marks
- The LumiNUS upload must be completed by Wednesday 9th February 2022, 12:00 P.M. (Noon). Avoid uploading during the
 grace period of 2 hours
- A penalty of 25% applies for late submissions of up to 1 week.
- The late submission folder closes 1 week after the original deadline. Late submissions are not accepted and not graded if a submission is found within the on-time folder, or if grading has already started on an earlier submitted file. The late submission folder will be located at: LumiNUS EE2026 -> Files -> Lab and Project Materials and Submissions -> Lab 2 Submission (Late Submission)

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ALL THE SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS LISTED ABOVE WILL AFFECT YOUR GRADES!

GRADING PROCESS

- During subsequent lab sessions, our graders will be providing you updates on the grading of your submission
- Submissions not following all the LUMINUS SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS (listed above) will not be graded immediately, and
 will instead be reviewed towards the end of the semester. You will not be able to see your results during the labs in such
 situations

APPENDIX (COMPULSORY renaming before just LumiNUS upload):

It is **compulsory to rename your project archive and PDF report**, just before the LumiNUS upload, as listed in the table below.

Do not change any other part of the naming. Simply **copy** the naming from the table below, and **paste** it while renaming your project archive.

Penalties will be incurred if your submission cannot be found according to the exact naming template below.

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