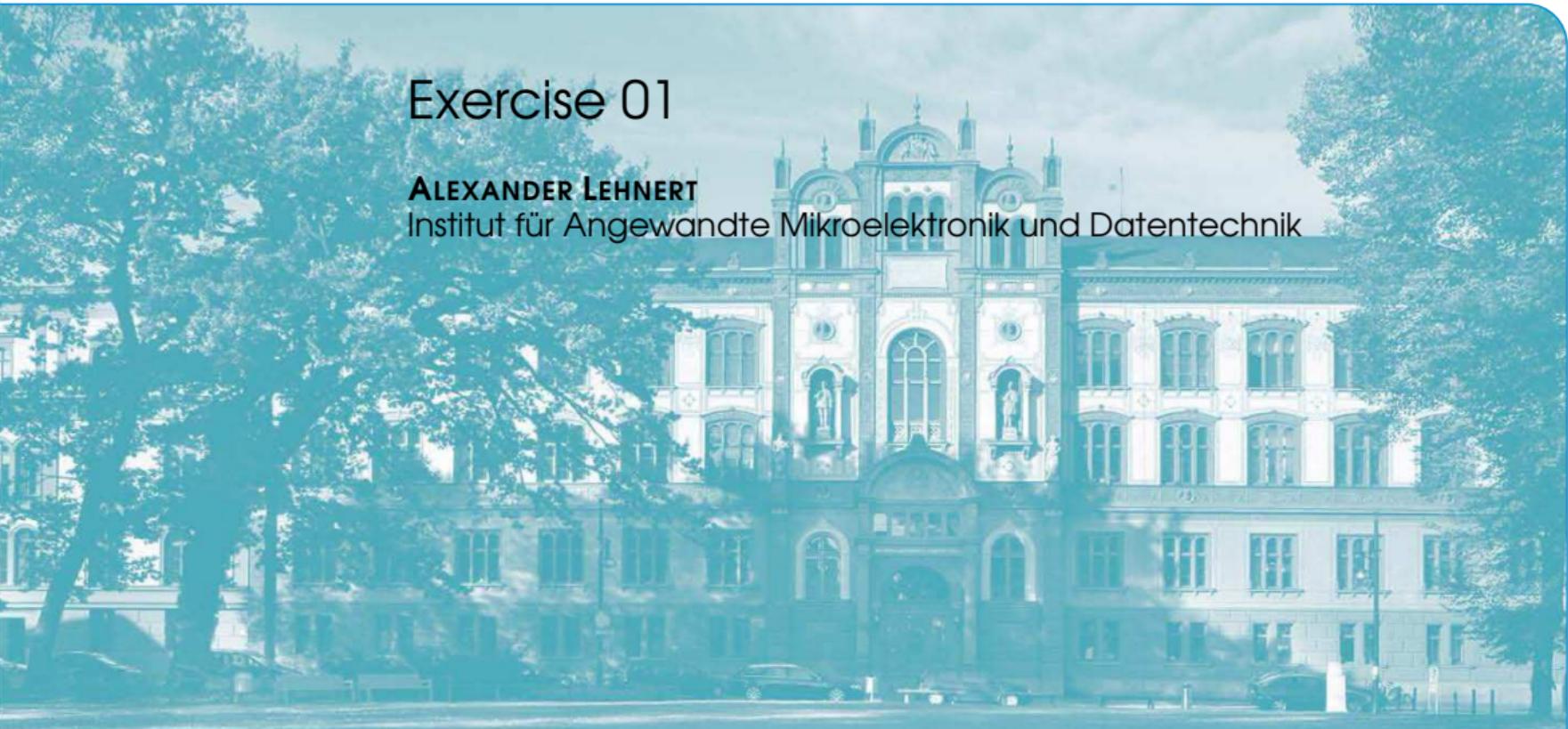




Exercise 01

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Who am I?

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← this person

Where am I from?

- Master of Science, Computer Science
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Research interests

- FPGA and ASIC design
- Hardware Accelerators for Inference in Neural Networks
- Matrix decomposition: *Computation Coding*



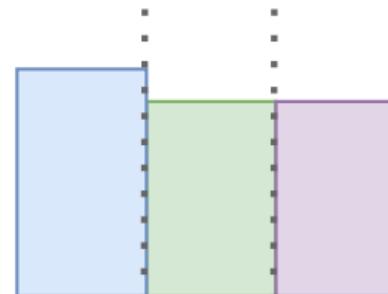
The Goal of this Project

Now



- Knowledge of Processors
- Experience with HW
 - Development
 - Interest in Computers

At the end of the Semester:



- Knowledge of Processors
- Experience with HW
 - Development
 - Interest in Computers

How we get there

- Hardware Description Languages
- Processor Architecture: RISC-V
- Technology: FPGA
- Step 1: CPU Building Blocks
- Step 2: Single Cycle RISC-V CPU
- Step 3: Pipelinig
- Step 4: Individual Project

Format of this Project / Exercise

In the beginning: Weekly Exercises

- Thursday, 11:15 (:00, :30?)
- Interactive, Task-based

Later: Transformation to project

- Common starting point: Single Cycle CPU
- Project goals individually by difficulty level, group work is possible

Prerequisites

- Who knows VHDL?
- Who has programmed an FPGA?
- Who can explain how a CPU works?
- Who has implemented a RISC-V CPU on an FPGA?



The ZEDboard

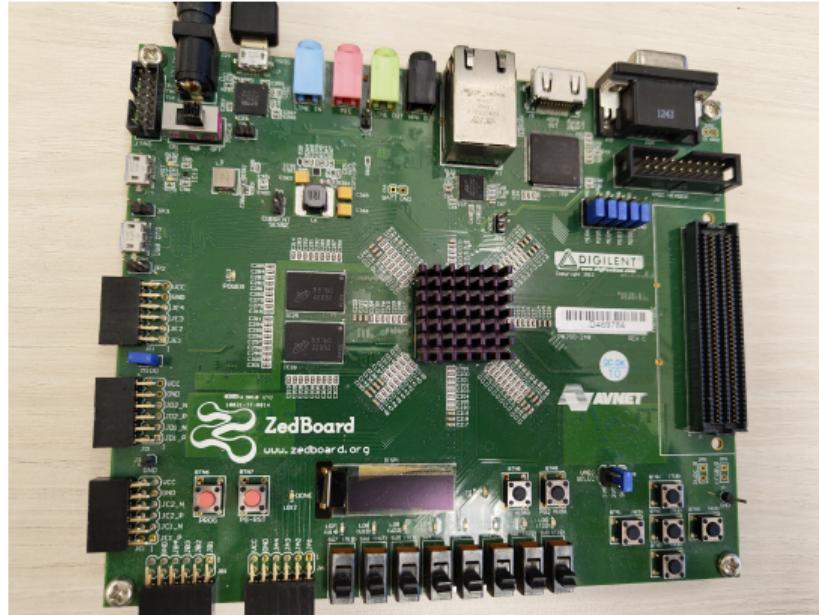
- The FPGA we use for now

FPGA:

- Zynq-7000
- 40600 LUTs
- 107 BRAMs

Some IO:

- LEDs
- Switches
- Buttons





Handling Advice

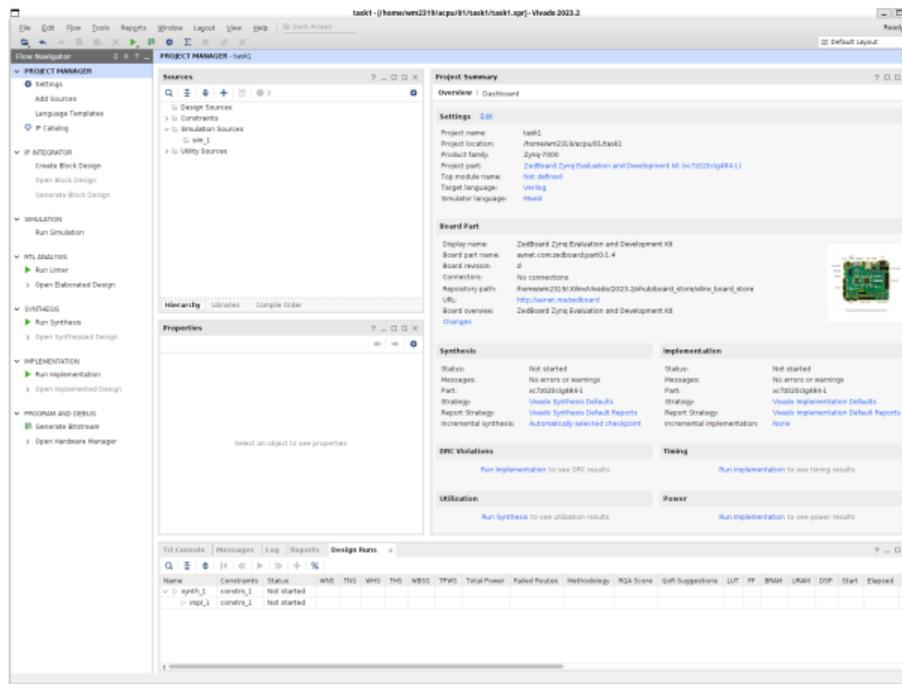
- Handle FPGAs with care
- First, connect the power. Then turn them on.
- Watch out for Jumper Settings

Boot Mode	JP11	JP10	JP9	JP8	JP7
JTAG	0	0	0	0	0
Quad-SPI	0	1	0	0	0
SD Card	0	1	1	0	0

AMD/Xilinx Vivado

- Main tool for Xilinx FPGA Flow
 - Synthesis and Implementation Tool
 - Simulator
 - Programming of the Device
 - Text Editor
- ⇒ It can do everything, but nothing well

AMD/Xilinx Vivado GUI



Working with Vivado

There are two ways to interact with Vivado

- Project Flow
- Manual Flow

There are two Vivado interfaces

- GUI (for now we use this)
- CLI via *Tool Command Language* (TCL) (we will learn this later)

Format of Tasks

- Core part of the exercises
- Tasks for you to do
- Here: I will be around
- You can finish the tasks by the next exercise
- Results will be uploaded to StudIP

The Linux Environment

- We will use a Linux system for this exercise
- Reboot, and boot into Linux:
 - In the front: *CentOS*
 - In the back: *RockyLinux*
- Login: IdM-Login and password

Starting Vivado

- Vivado is not installed
- Access via network share
- For ease of use: launch scripts
 - StudIP - Files - Exercise - Scripts
- One script for GUI version, one for TCL



Some Basic Logical Functions

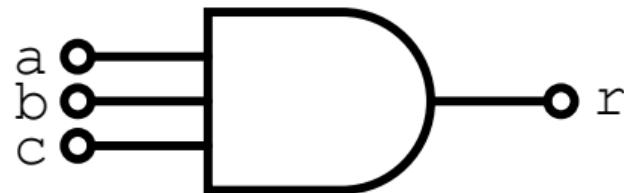
- Representation of logic gates
- Later also more complex functions
- Arithmetics?
- Custom functions?

Gate	VHDL
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	and
	or
	xor



Task 1: The AND3 Gate

- 3 Inputs
- 1 Output
- Output = logical conjunction of all inputs

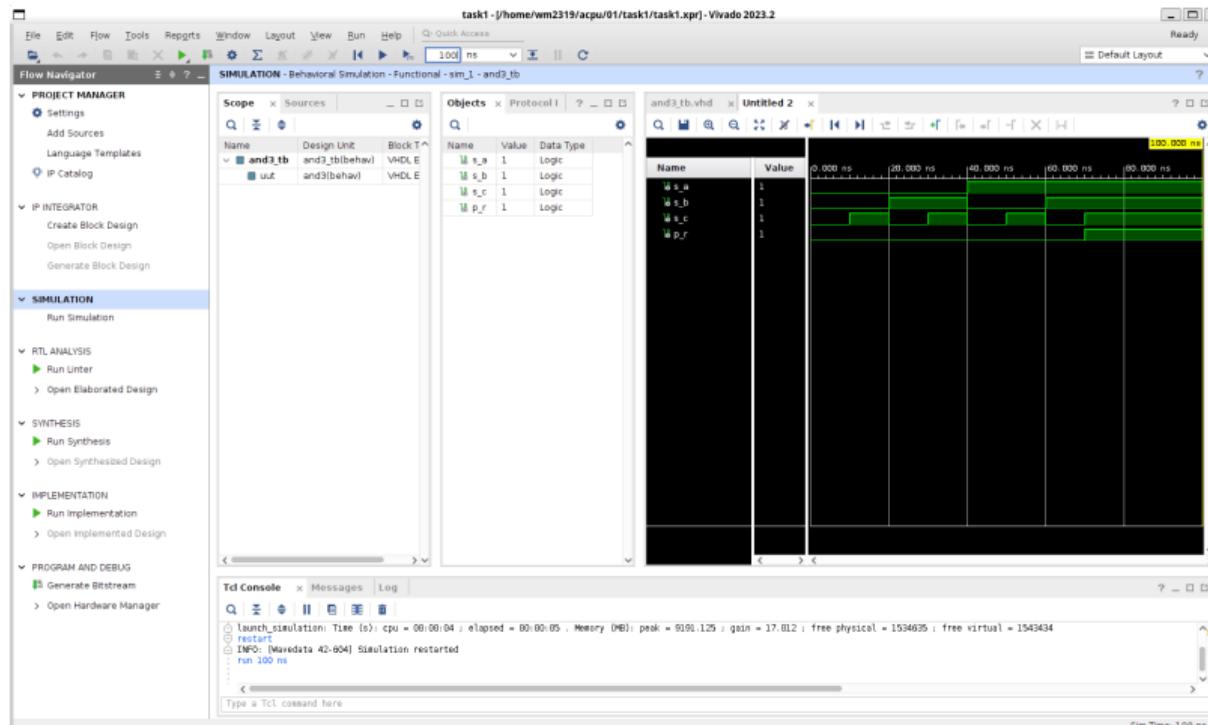


Task 1: The AND3 Gate

- Create a new project and set it up for the AND3 design.
- Add the file `and3.vhd` as a *Design File* to the project.
- Familiarize with the AND3 implementation by analyzing the VHDL.
- Elaborate the design. Compare the RTL layout to the VHDL implementation.
- Open the synthesised design and compare the Schematic to the previously explored RTL layout. What happened? How can you verify your observation?



Simulation and the Waveviewer



Task 2: Simulation

- Now, we have a hardware design
- Next step: Ensure it is working correctly
- *Simulation for functional correctness*

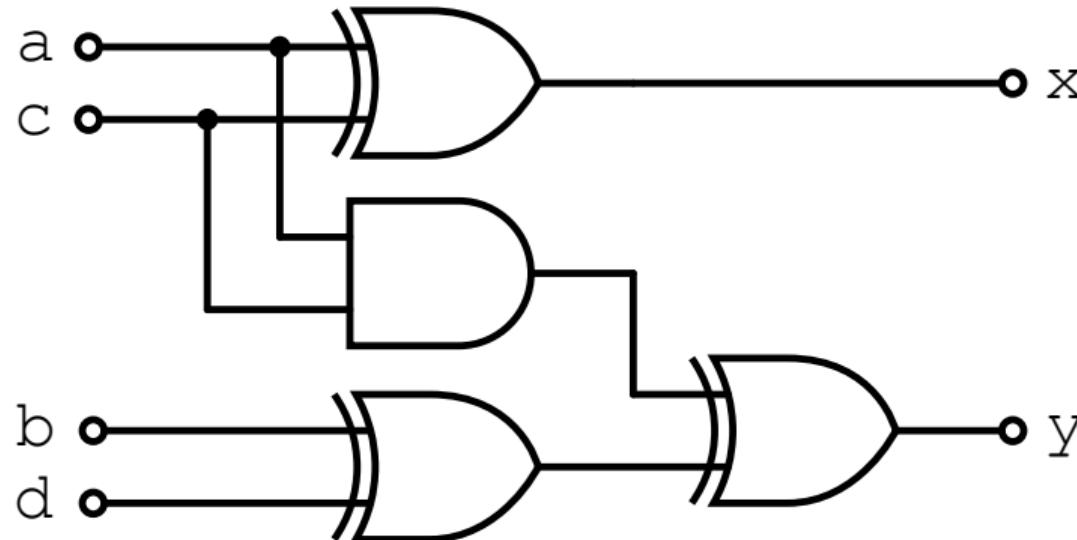
Task 2: Simulation

- Add the file `and3_wrapper.vhd` as a *Design File* to the project.
- Add the file `constraints.vhd` as a *Constraint File* to the project.
- Implement the design and generate the bitstream.
- Setup the ZEDboard for USB-JTAG programming.
- Program the FPGA and verify the design by demonstration.



Your first design

Implement this design:



Task Description

1. Implement the entity for the logic circuit. There are 4 inputs and 1 output. Name them according to the schematic.
2. Implement the architecture for the functional behavior of the logic circuit.
3. Check the functional correctness of your implementation via synthesis and the testbench provided.
4. Using the provided `logic_wrapper.vhd`, synthesize and implement the design. Use the resulting bitstream to program an FPGA
5. Which function is implemented from your design?