CprE 381: Computer Organization and Assembly Level Programming

Lab 1: Orientation

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Start NOW!

- Download Lab1 materials
- Print, read, sign, and submit safety contract
- Open the lab manual
- Log in to VDI

Lab Overview

- Labs 1 & 2 (individual)
 - Get to know Modelsim and VHDL
 - Review 281 concepts
 - Binary, 2's complement
 - Binary addition/subtraction
 - Muxes
 - Registers, register files
 - Learn to model memory
 - Expect you to be into Lab 1 Part 3 before week 2 section
- Beyond (teams of teams of 3)
 - Proj 1: single-cycle processor
 - Proj 2: software and hardware scheduled pipelines
 - Proj 3: performance analysis of 3 processors and how to improve them

Lab Rhythym

- Before lab section, complete team contract + prelab questions
 - Preparation and planning
 - Read lab manual
- Execute lab starting minute 0 of the first lab section
- Turn in lab report (due 11:59pm two days before the next lab assignment begins)
- Repeat