

Coursework 2

Computer Processors (COMP1212)

You should follow the instructions below on how to prepare your submission. Late submissions are accepted up to 7 days late. Each day, or part of a day, will incur a 5% penalty. Feedback on late submissions may not be provided within 3 weeks of submission.

Submission You **must** submit your work via Gradescope.

Deadline 1000 GMT 26/02/2021.

Weighting This piece of summative coursework is worth 25% of the module grade.

The transmission of information can be either serial or parallel. In parallel communication multiple binary digits are transmitted simultaneously. In serial communication a word is transmitted as a sequence of binary digits, one after another. Both have advantages and disadvantages.

1. A shift register is a sequential logic circuit that has a single input and cascades the input across a set of outputs in order, that is, supposing we have a 4-bit shift register with input called *in* and output pins called *w*, *x*, *y* and *z* then the table below describes the behaviour.

Time	in	<i>w</i>	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0
2	0	1	0	0	0
3	1	0	1	0	0
3	1	1	0	1	0
4	0	1	1	0	1
5	0	0	1	1	0
6	0	0	0	1	1
7	0	0	0	0	1
8	0	0	0	0	0

The input at time t is at output w at time $t + 1$, at output x at time $t + 2$, at output y at time $t + 3$, and at z at time $t + 4$.

Produce an HDL file that contains the design of an **8-bit shift register**. The chip should have the following preamble.

```
CHIP Shift8bit {  
    IN x;  
    OUT out[8];
```

PARTS:

}

2. Produce an HDL file that contains the design of a circuit that implements the following description.

The circuit should implement a parallel to serial converter. The circuit should store an 8-bit binary value from the 8-bit wide input bus called *indata* when the *load* input is asserted (has value 1). When the *enable* input is asserted (has the value 1) then the circuit, over the next 8 clock cycles, should output each of the bits of the stored 8-bit binary value, from bit 0 to bit 7, sequentially via *sout*. When the circuit has completed the transmission of the 8 bits then the *complete* output should be asserted (set to value 1) for 1 clock cycle.

The chip should have the following preamble.

```
CHIP cw2 {  
    IN indata[8], enable, load;  
    OUT sout, complete;
```

PARTS:

}

Question 1 is worth **10 marks**, and Question 2 is worth **15 marks**.