

ECE 385

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Experiment #4

An 8-Bit Multiplier in SystemVerilog

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1.Introduction

This multiplier circuit uses shift and add method to complete multiply functionality. It takes an input with reset button being pushed and store the data in SW into B, an eight-bit shift register. Then, once the run button is pushed, SW multiplies with register B, creating a 16-bit data, store in A and B registers. Also, there is an X register with 1 bit wide, it is used to store the positive or negative prosperity of the number stored in A and B register. Pushing run again without reset will reset A and X value, while again repeat the procedure of multiply with the bits stored in register B and the signal in SW.

2.Pre-lab questions

a. See graph 2.1

Function	X	A	B	M
Clear A, LoadB, Reset	0	0000 0000	<i>00000111</i>	1
ADD	1	1100 0101	<i>00000111</i>	1
SHIFT	1	1110 0010	<i>1 0000011</i>	1
ADD	1	1010 0111	<i>1 0000011</i>	1
SHIFT	1	1101 0011	<i>11 000001</i>	1
ADD	1	1001 1000	<i>11 000001</i>	1
SHIFT	1	1100 1100	<i>011 00000</i>	0
SHIFT	1	1110 0110	<i>0011 0000</i>	0
SHIFT	1	1111 0011	<i>00011 000</i>	0
SHIFT	1	1111 1001	<i>100011 00</i>	0
SHIFT	1	1111 1100	<i>1100011 0</i>	0
SHIFT	1	1111 1110	<i>01100011</i>	1

Graph 2.1(pre-lab question a)

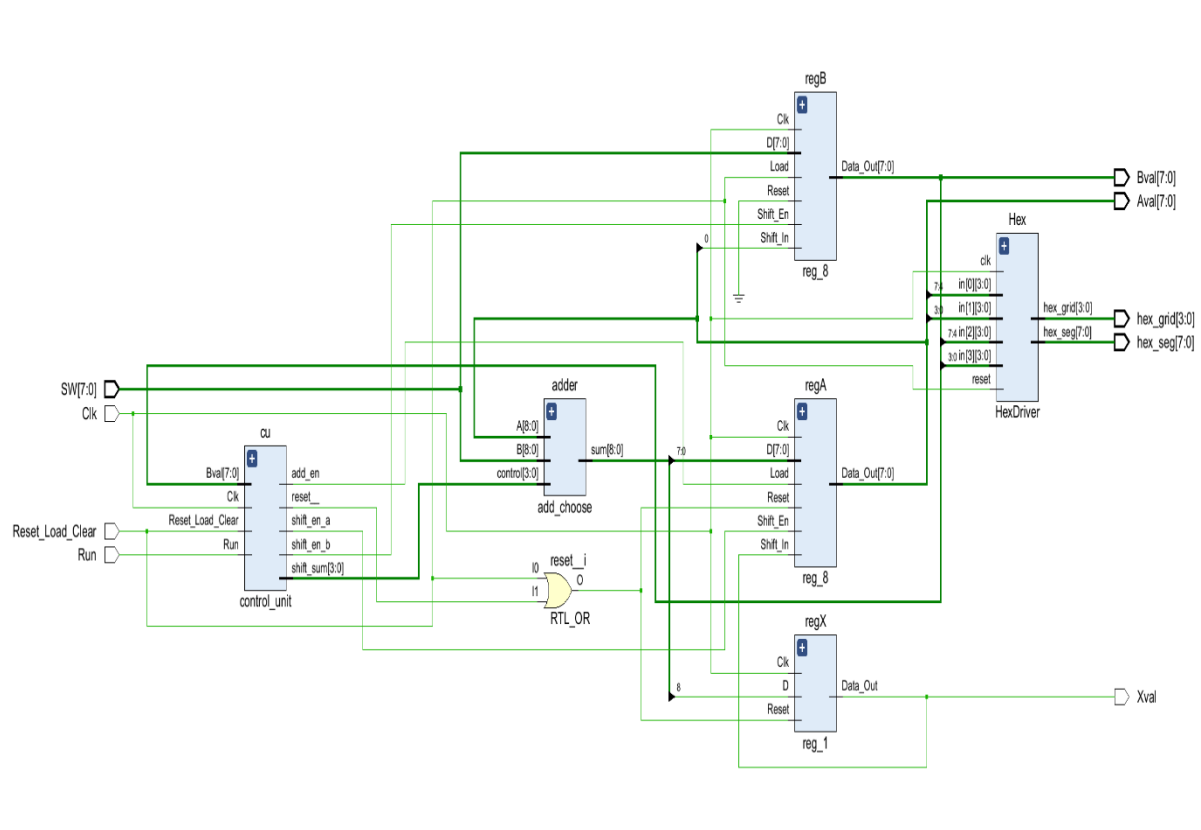
3.Written description and diagrams of multiplier circuit

a.

This multiplier circuit uses the shift-and-add technique to achieve its multiplication

function. When the reset button is pressed, the data from SW is stored in B, an eight-bit shift register. Upon pressing the run button, SW multiplies with the content of register B, resulting in a 16-bit output stored across registers A and B. Additionally, there's a 1-bit wide X register used to indicate the sign (positive or negative) of the number held in registers A and B. If the run button is pressed again without a prior reset, registers A and X are cleared, but the multiplication process repeats using the data in register B and the current input in SW.

b.



Graph 3.1 (toplevel block diagram)

c.

Module 1:

Module: mutiply_toplevel

Input:[7:0] SW, Clk, Reset_Load_Clear

Output:[3:0] hex_grid, [7:0] hex_seg, [7:0] Aval, [7:0] Bval, Xval

Description: toplevel of the mutiplier circuit.

Purpose: combine other module together.

(diagram already provided above)

Module 2:

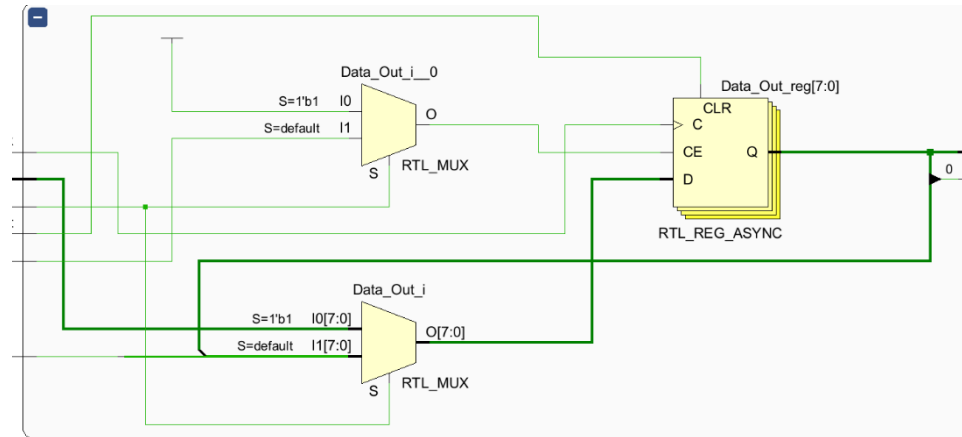
Module: reg_8

Input: Clk, Reset, Shift_en, shift_in, Load_en,[7:0] D

Output:[7:0] Data_Out

Description: a module for 8-bit shift-register.

Purpose: store register A and B



Graph 3.31(reg_8)

Module 3:

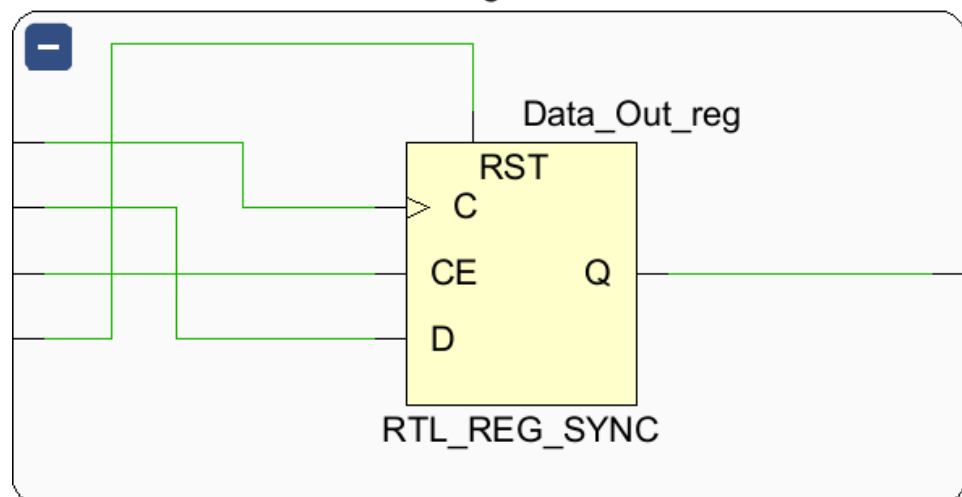
Module: reg_1

Input: Clk, Reset, Load_en, D

Output: Data_Out

Description:1-bit register

Purpose: store register X



Graph 3.32(reg_1)

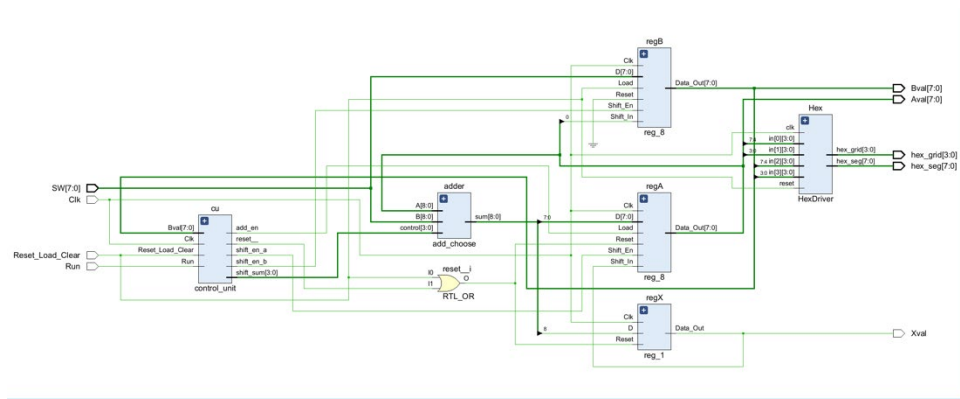
Module 4:

Module: control unit

Input: Clk,Reset_Load_Clear, Clk,Run, [7:0] Bval

Output: reset_, adden, shift_en_a, shift_en_b, [3:0] shift_sum

Description: state machine to output add and shift enable signals



Graph 3.33 (control_unit)

Purpose: to determine when to add or shift or halt when the operation has finished.

Module 5:

Module: hex_driver

Input: Clk, reset, [3:0]in[4]

Output: [7:0]hex_seg,[3:0]hex_grid

Description: hex display driver

Purpose: to display the output in hex form.

Module 6:

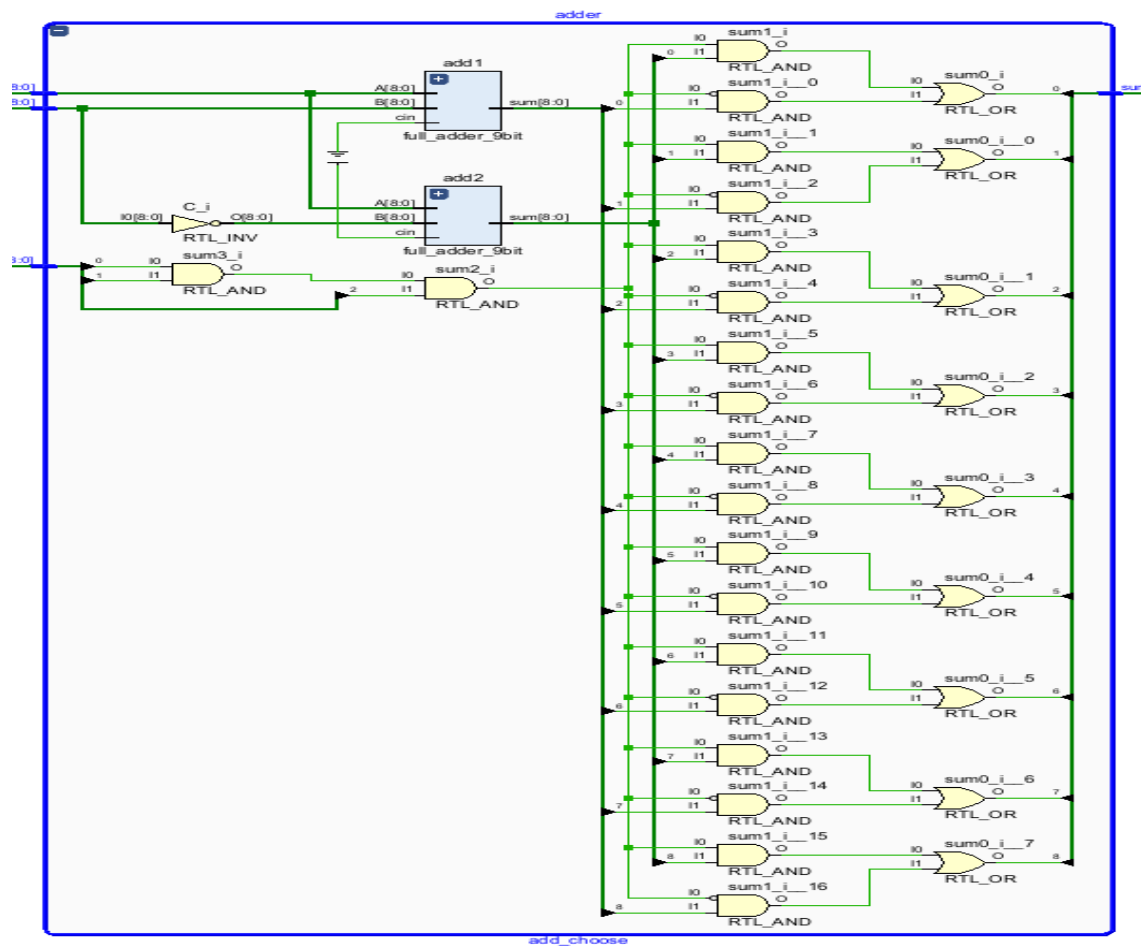
Module: add_choose

Input: [8:0]A,[8:0]B,[3:0] control

Output: [8:0] sum

Description: choose from subtraction or addition

Purpose: when it is the last shift possible and your $M = 1$ you should perform subtraction otherwise perform addition



Graph 3.34 (adder_choose)

Module 7:

Module: full_adder_9bit

Input: [8:0]A,[8:0]B,cin

Output: [8:0] sum, cout

Description: 9-bit adder

Purpose: used for $A = A + SW$

Module 8:

Module: ripple_adder_1bit

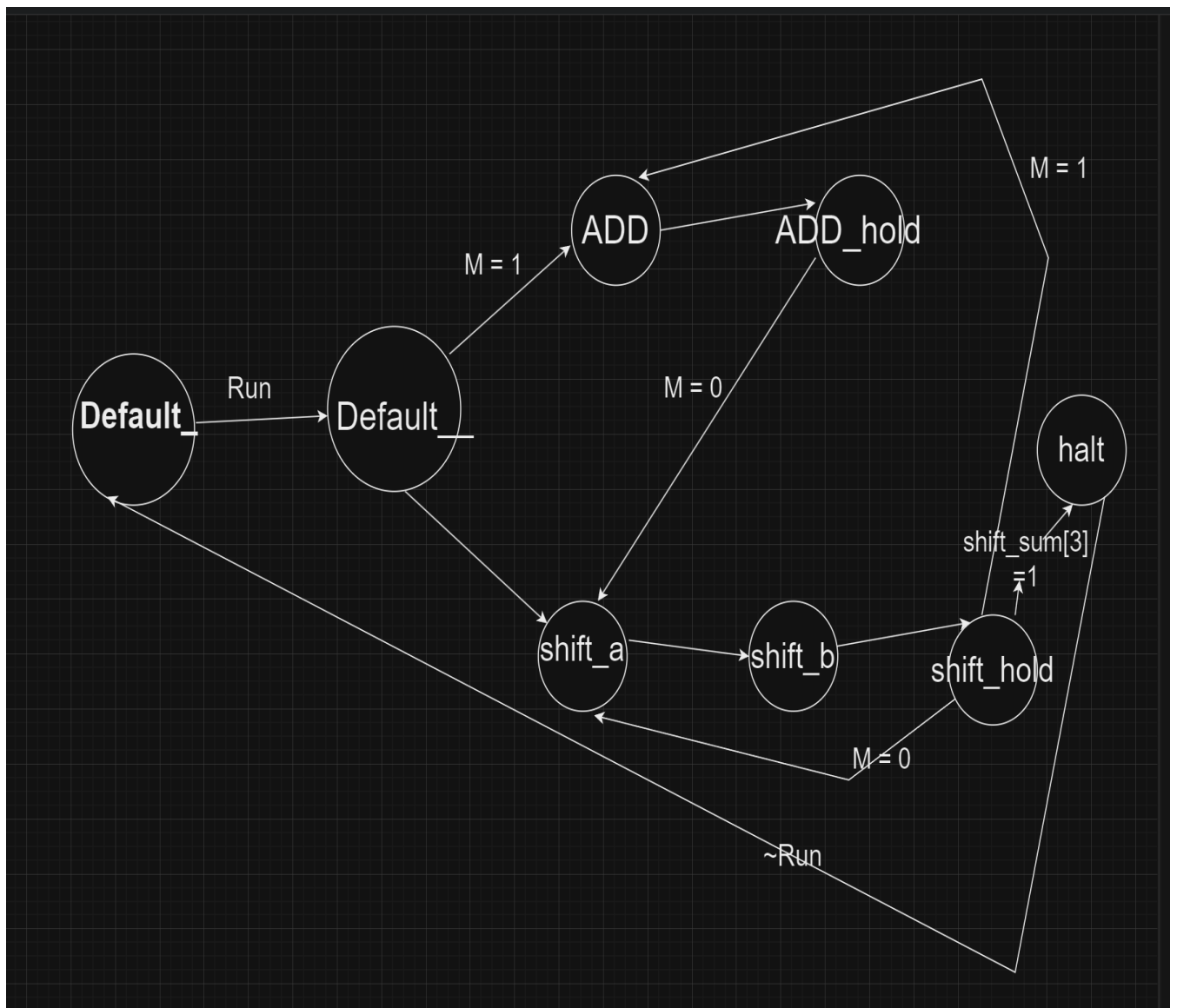
Input: A,B,cin

Output :sum, cout

Description:1-bit full adder

Purpose: construct full_adder_1bit

d.



Graph 3.4 (state diagram)

4. Annotated pre-lab simulation waveforms.

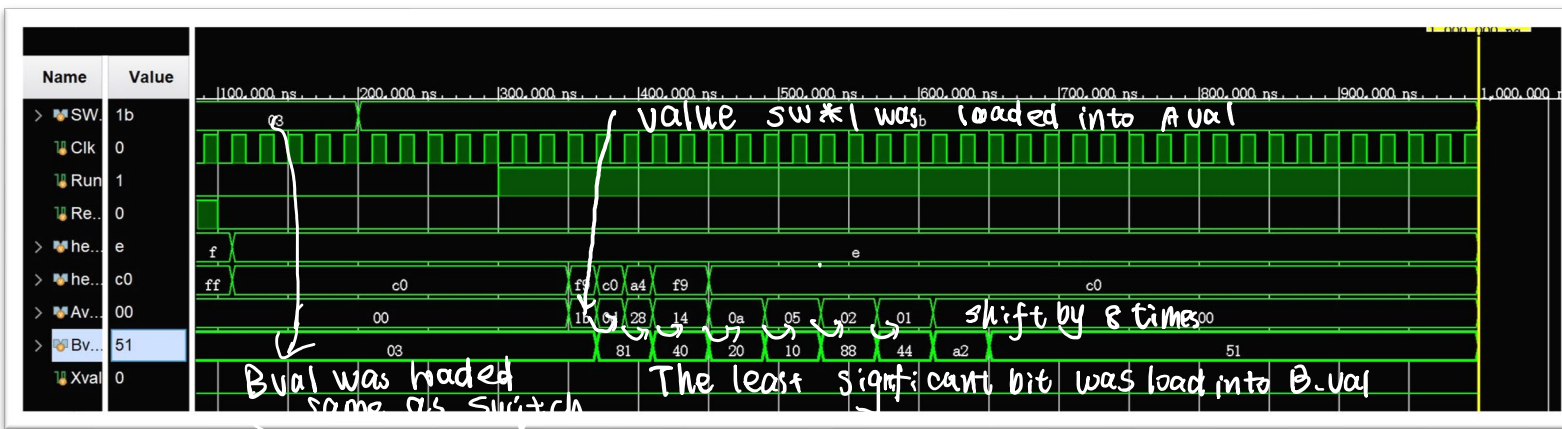


Figure.1 multiplication of $(27 \times 3 = 81)$

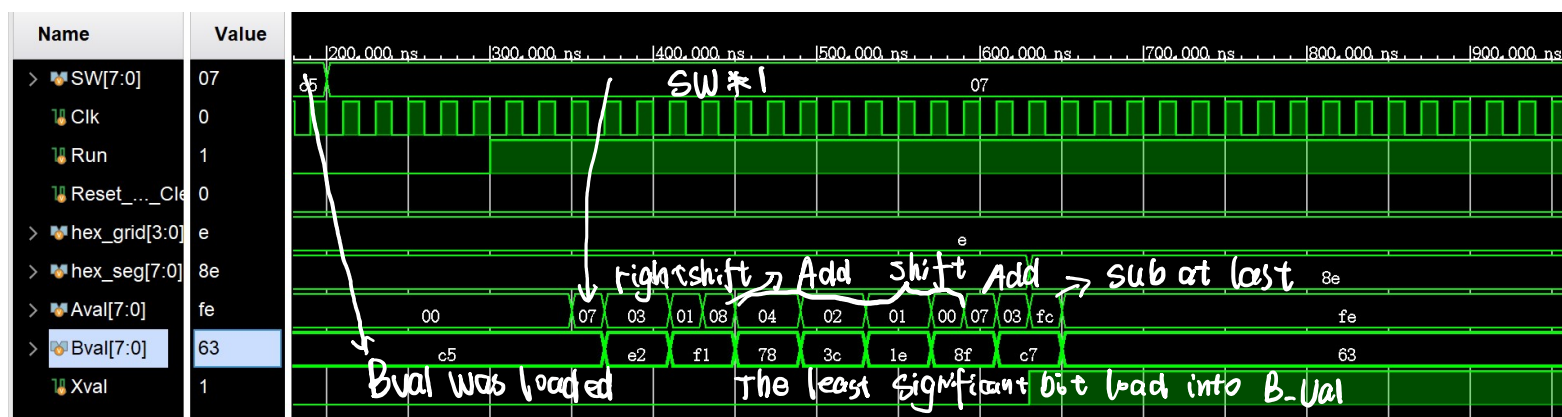


Figure 4.2 multiplication of $(-59 \times 7 = -413)$

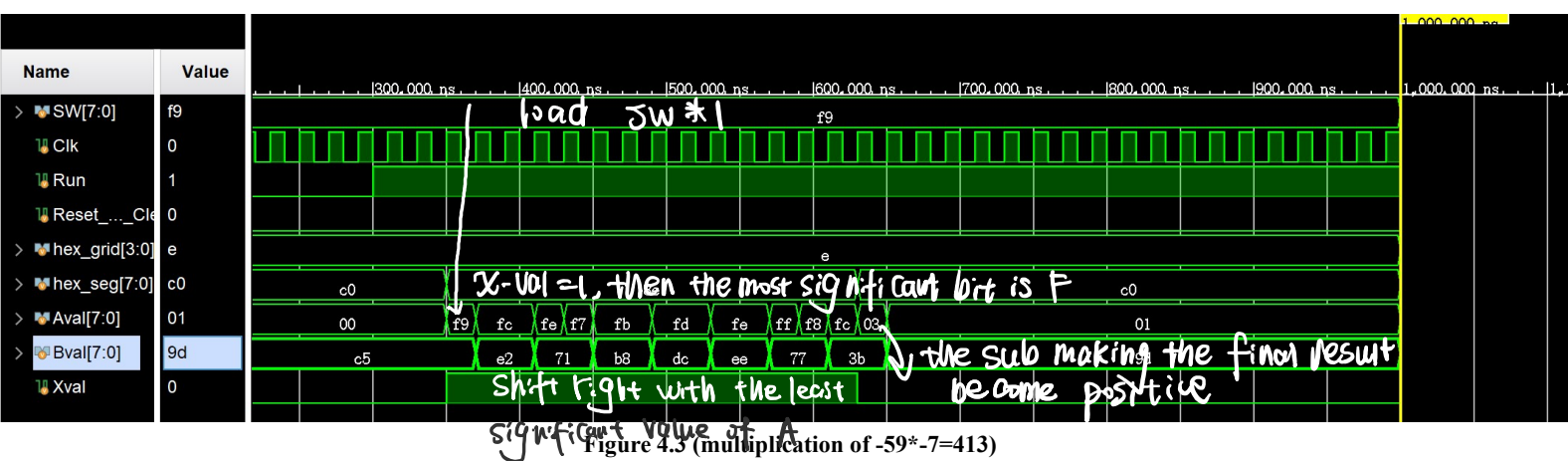


Figure 4.3 (multiplication of $-59 \times -7 = 413$)

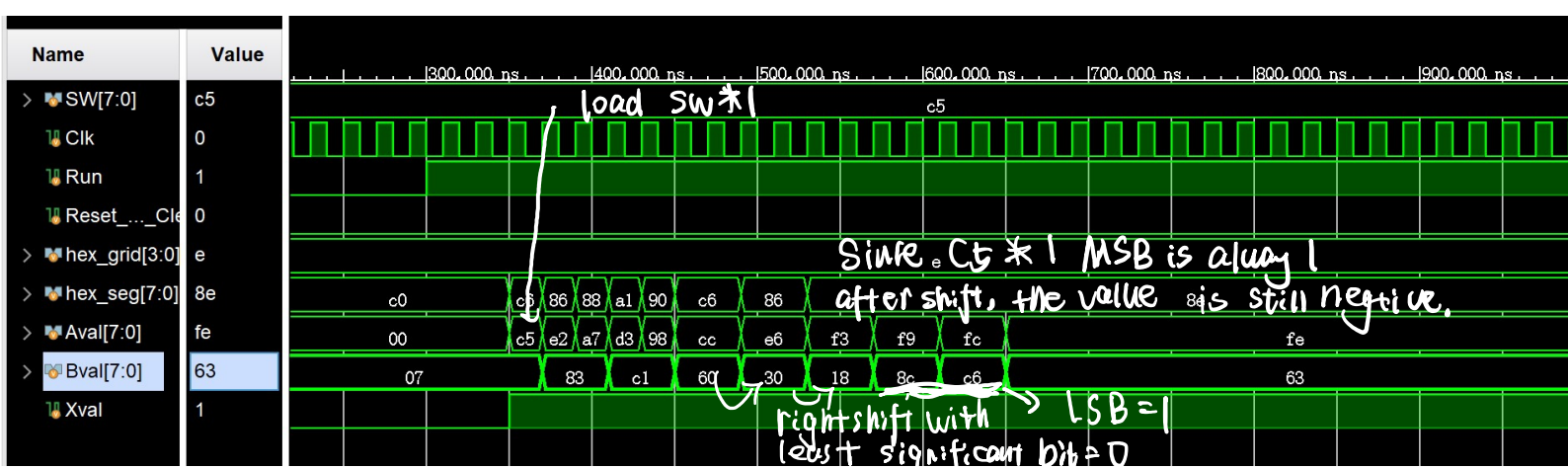


Figure 4.3 (multiplication of $59 * -7 = -413$)

5. Answers to post-lab questions

5.1

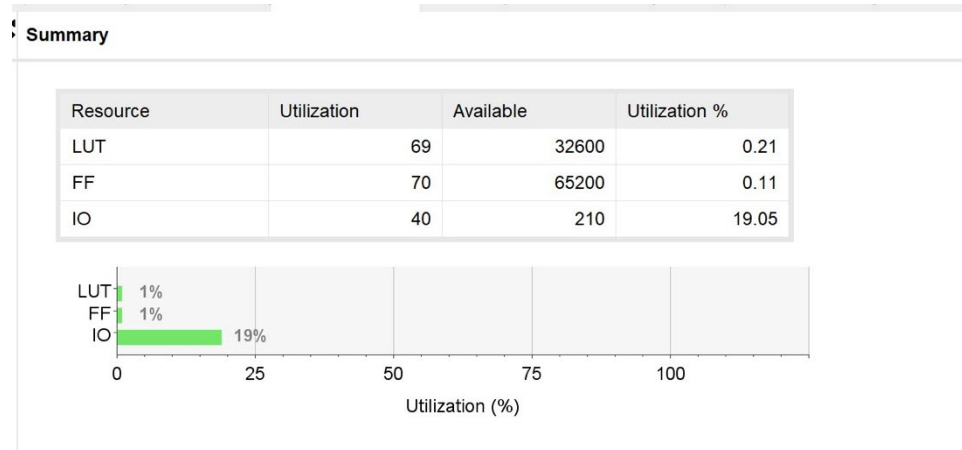


Figure 5.1 - Implementation Summary Table

LUT	69
DSP	0
Memory(BRAM)	0
Flip_Flop	70
Latches*	0

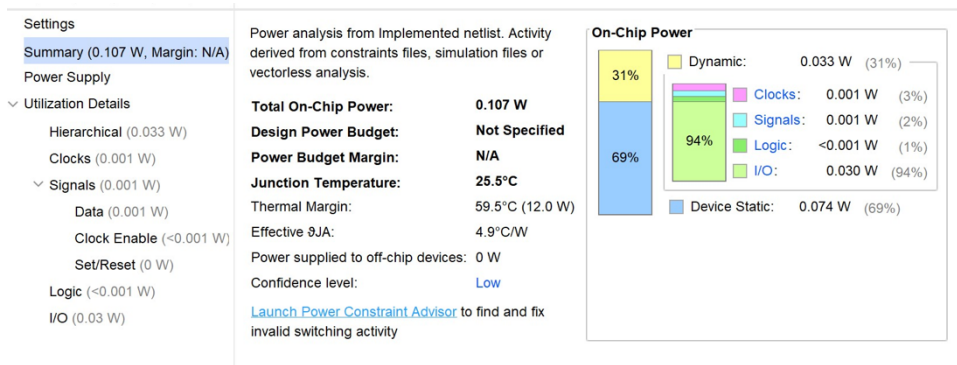


Figure 5.2 - Power Summary

Frequency	198.846MHZ
Static Power	0.074w
Dynamic Power	0.033w
Total Power	0.107w

how you might optimize your design to decrease the total gate count and/or to increase maximum frequency by changing your code for the design?

Ans:

decrease the total gate count: in the FSM, we use binary encoding which means we need more logic gates to compare each bit which is costly. So we use one-hot encoding so that each time, we only need to compare one signal bit.

increase maximum frequency: we can use select ripple adder instead of carry ripple adder to increase the speed because we eliminate the delay.

5.2 Make sure your lab report answers at least the following questions:

5.2.1:

x-reg's value is the next state of A_reg. When the computation is done, the value should be stored and wait until the next positive clock cycle and load into A_reg. If we don't use X_reg, the computation may lost before the shift operation.

X_register get set after the computation and clear when we click clearA_loadB.

5.2.2:

when we use 8-bit adder, the computation result will go wrong if we operate

Subtraction. Ex.(8'b11111110+8'b000000001=8'b11111111) if we use 9 bit adder, the result is -1 but if we use 8 bit adder, the value is 255.

5.2.3:

the success of consecutive multiplications without resetting depends on whether the product of each multiplication operation falls within the valid 8-bit range [-128,127] after truncation. If it does, the consecutive multiplications are expected to work as described.^[1]

5.2.4:

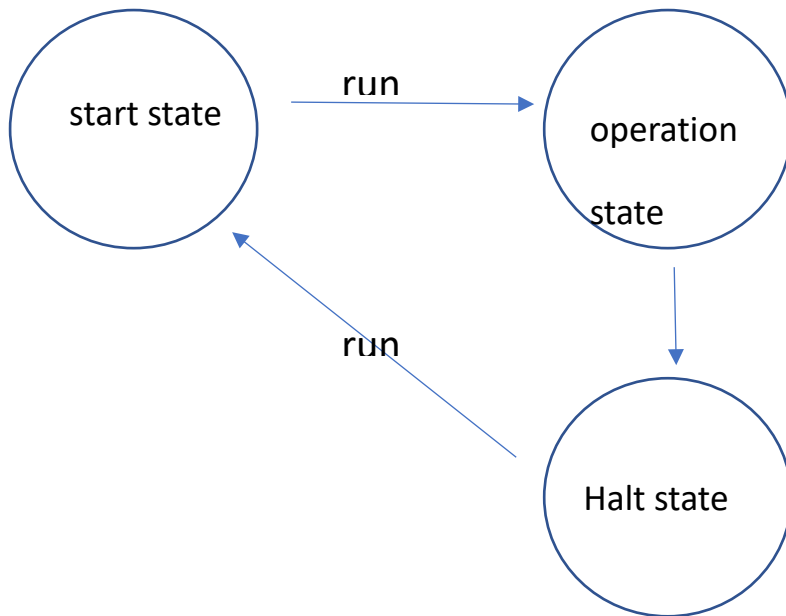
Disadvantage: Implemented multiplication algorithms can be complex because we need more logic to and different condition detecting whether the M value is 1 and whether we need to add or sub.

Advantage: the operation is faster because it does not need to add all 8 bit's result together when M is 0.

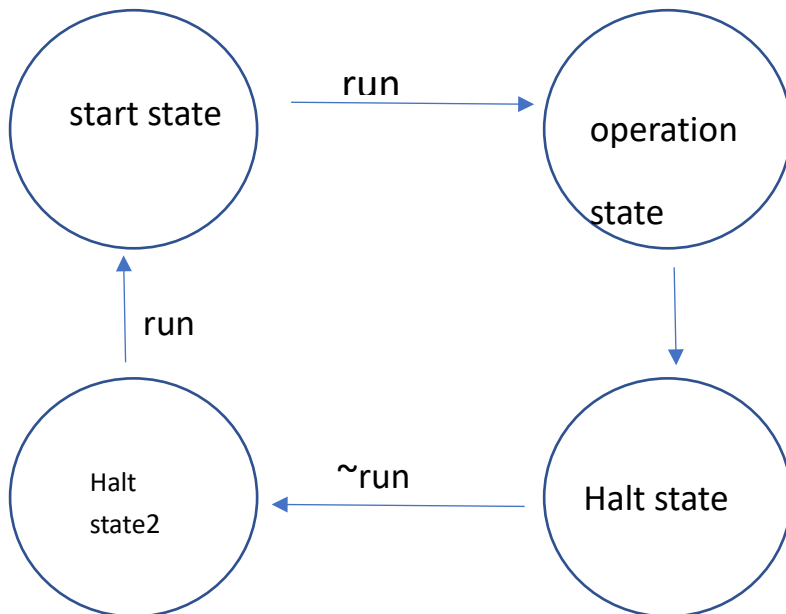
6. Conclusion

6.1 Discuss functionality of your design. If parts of your design did not work, discuss what could be done to fix it.

The simulation is right but when we implement it on board, for example (3*3) when we click run, the correct value (9) will shown on board quickly then changed into wrong value all of a sudden. This indicate that our FSM can't get into halt state after we click run. We find that the total running time of multiplication is so small that when we click run, FSM can't stop.



Therefore we add a new state



Then the state can stop after one multiplication.

6.2

The resources are quite scattered, sometimes in the wiki, and sometimes in the PDFs. We hope that the information can be more integrated.