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**EENG 2910 Project III – Digital System Design**  
**Design Project 3**

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**Introduction:**

Combinational logic circuits are circuits whose outputs depend only on the present value of their inputs. The lecture on “Combinational Logic Design” introduced you to some of the common combinational logic circuits.

For your second project, you are required to **design, implement, and test** an **8-bit arithmetic logic unit or ALU**.

An ALU is a combinational circuit that performs arithmetic and bitwise logical operations on integer binary numbers. The lecture material on ALU provides additional information on its functions.

**Recommended Design Procedure:**

1. Find the number of input variables and the number of required output variables. Assign them meaningful names.
2. Create a truth table that defines a relationship between inputs and outputs.
3. List the operations (**arithmetic, logic, and shift**) that you will be implementing – the more the better
4. Draw the logic diagram.
5. Implement your design using VHDL
6. Test your design by creating a test bench

**Report:**

**Submit a soft copy of your report on BlackBoard and hand in hard copy at the beginning of class on the due date (10/5/2016).**

Make sure that your report includes the following:

1. A **cover page** with your name, the name of the project, date, etc. **(5 pts)**
2. An **introduction** – what are the goals of the project? What is an arithmetic logic unit? What it is used for? What are the operations that you have implemented? These are sample questions that you should attempt to answer in the introduction. **(10 pts)**

3. **Theory of operation and explanation of the design**

Give a brief discussion of the theory of operation, including schematics and equation used, etc. This is of particular importance for the design oriented labs and mini-projects. You should also explain the schematics involved in your design.

4. **Experimental results: (70 pts including the section on "Theory of Operation")**

- Brief description of the lab experiment.
- Schematics of the circuit (from Xilinx schematic entry tool). Put your name and date on each page.
- Simulated waveform.
- Discussion of the results indicating that the circuit functions properly. It is not good enough to just give the simulated waveform. It is up to you to show that this waveform correspond to what you expect (do not say "the simulation shows that the circuit works properly"). **You need to make it clear to the reader that the circuit works properly!** One convenient way is to use some of the entries in the truth table in your test bench, indicating that for each entry/inputs the corresponding values/outputs given by the logic simulator correspond to what is displayed in the table.
- All figures/schematics in the report must have a figure number, title, and referenced in the body of your report.

5. **Conclusion: (10 pts)**

The conclusion should contain a summary of the results. Are the goals of the lab fulfilled? If not, explain why.

6. **References: (5 pts)**

List all the references used for the project and refer to them in the body of your report.