

#### Abstract

 This project aims to recreate the classic PONG game on the Nexys A7-100T FPGA using Verilog, introducing innovative features for enhanced gameplay. The implementation leverages a VGA display for rendering, with the game's point and lives displayed on an SSD. User interaction is facilitated through two buttons for vertical movement of the paddle and a reset button for initiating new games. A 4-bit switch customizes the number of lives before a game-over condition. In addition to the traditional PONG setup, the project incorporates a PWM module. Unlike the traditional use, this PWM functionality dynamically adjusts the intensity of an LED light, providing a visual cue that changes based on the selected difficulty level. Three individual switches enable users to choose between easy, medium, and hard difficulty levels. In addition to the LED serving as a visual indicator for difficulty, there are now three additional LEDs. These LEDs indicate when the ball has been hit, when the ball was missed, and when the game is over. This comprehensive approach combines hardware components, Verilog programming, and dynamic features like LED intensity adjustments and status LEDs to offer an engaging and adaptable PONG gaming experience on the FPGA platform.

#### Concept

- Show the ability to manipulate different systems using a controller
- Display feedback between the Nexys A7-100T FPGA Board and the monitor, reacting to the user's inputs

#### Basic Setup

- For this particular Pong game, we have one side as a full wall, and the other side as the Player's paddle.
- The ball bounces back and forth between the two, going faster depending on the difficulty.
- A life will be lost upon the ball passing the player, and a game over will be reached upon losing all lives.
- There is a point system based on the players performance.

## Adjustable Settings

- Buttons:
  - Start Game, Reset, Up and Down Controls, Set Lives
- Switches:
  - Set Difficulty (Easy, Medium, Hard)
  - Adjust Lives (0 15 Total)

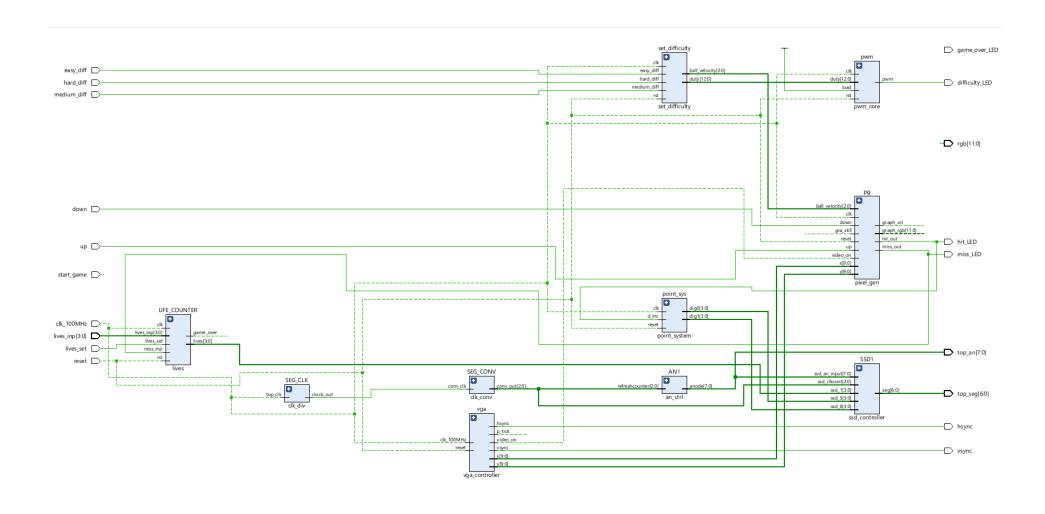
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always @(posedge clk)
    if(lives set)
        lives tmp = lives inp;
    else if (rst)
    begin
        lives tmp <= 4'd0;
        game over tmp <= 0;
        miss flag <= 1;
    else if (miss_inp && miss_flag && (lives_tmp > 0))
    begin
        lives tmp <= lives tmp - 1;
        miss flag <= 0;
    else if (miss inp == 0)
        miss flag <= 1;
    else if(lives tmp == 0)
        game over tmp <= 1;
end
assign game over = game over tmp;
assign lives = lives tmp;
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always@(posedge clk)
begin
    if(rst || (easy diff == 0 && medium diff == 0 && hard diff == 0))
    begin
        ball velocity tmp = 3'd0;
        duty tmp = 12'b000000000000;
     end
    else if(easy_diff == 1)
    begin
        ball_velocity_tmp <= 3'd2; //sets ball speed to 2</pre>
        duty tmp = 12'b000000001111;
    else if (medium diff == 1)
    begin
        ball velocity tmp <= 3'd3; //sets ball speed to 3
        duty tmp = 12'b0000111111111;
    end
    else if (hard diff == 1)
    begin
        ball velocity tmp <= 3'd4; //sets ball speed to 4
        duty tmp = 12'b11111111111;
    end
end
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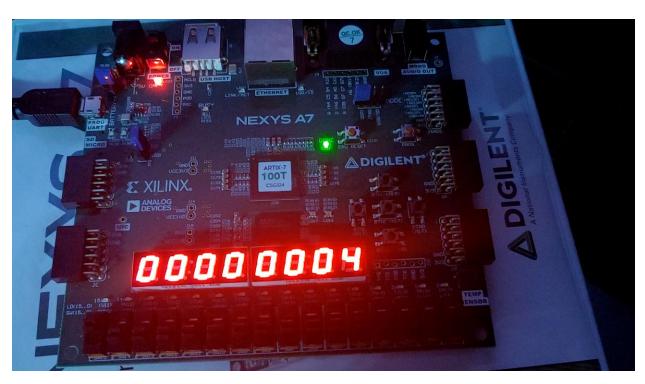
### Development Board Functions

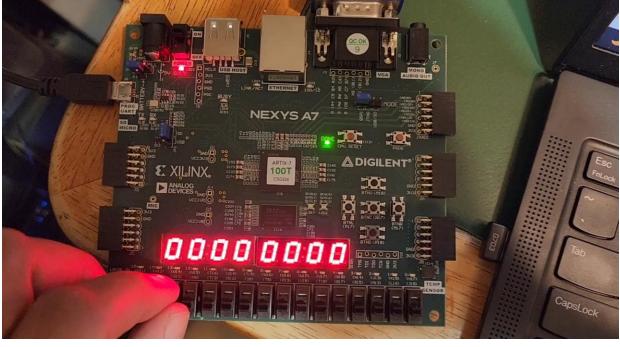
- Use buttons to adjust Pong paddle up or down.
- SSDs change depending on number of lives held.
- Leds light up according to game settings and current state of the game.
  - Led light up upon missing the ball, hitting the ball, or receiving a game over.
  - Additionally, RGB LEDs light up according to the difficulty selected.
    - Shifts from dim to bright light in relation to higher difficulty

# Game Schematic



#### **Board Visuals**





# Demo



