

## 14:332:437 Digital System Design

### Lab8-N-bit Parameterized Barrel Shifter

#### Introduction

A barrel shifter is a digital circuit that can shift a data word by a specified number of bits in one clock cycle (source: Wikipedia).

Here we will implement an  $N$ -bit (parameter  $N$ ) barrel shifter that rotates an arbitrary number of bits to the *right*. Note that:

- i) the width of the required binary input shift pattern will change with  $N$ ,
- ii) the number of lines of code of the most efficient description will logarithmically (base 2) scale with  $N$ .

**You are NOT allowed to use the following:**

- i) the in-built log function,
- ii) for-loops,
- iii) shift operators ( $>>$  and/or  $<<$ ),
- iv) unscalable design having static shift pattern-based assignments. For example, describing all  $N$  cases exhaustively in a case statement (or if-else).

#### What to turn in

Submit the following in a PDF report on Sakai.

1. SystemVerilog hardware description for  $N = 8$ .
2. Modified description (from part a.) for  $N = 64$ .

#### Questions

1. Can your design in part b. be verified on the DE2-115 board? Justify your answer.
2. Is your design combinational or sequential?