Ryerson University

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

COE/BME 328 - Digital Systems

Lab 4 - VHDL for Combinational Circuits and Storage Elements

15 Marks (2 weeks)

Due Date: Week 9

1 Objectives

To construct combinational circuits and circuits with basic storage elements using VHDL

2 Pre-Lab Preparation

- 1. Start-up Quartus II. This window gives you access to an integrated suite of CAD tools
- 2. To save files for this lab, create subdirectories **mux**, **decode**, **encod**, and **johns** in your work directory.
- 3. Enter the name of the first project, **mux**, by clicking on File then Project on the pull down menu and then Name on the subsequent pull down menu. Type the Project Name, and click OK.
- 4. Open Text Editor and type the VHDL file from *Figure 6.28* of the textbook. Save the file as **mux.vhd**.
- 5. Start the compiler. Fix any errors and re-compile. Once the file compiles without errors, go to the next step. Copy the file *mux.vhd* to a usb drive
- 6. Repeat steps 3-5 for the remaining examples. Use files from the following figures accordingly (see textbook):

i. **decod** – Figure 6.30 ii. **encod** – Figure 6.41

iii. **johns** – Figure 2 (In this Manual)

- 7. The last example shows one of the ways of implementing the Johnson counter. The last six digits of the student identification number must be represented by a four-bit vector variable **STUDENT_ID** which will be displayed cyclically in sequence with Johnson counter output. **Qreg** is an internal signal which can be fed back to the D's or fed out to **Q**.
- 8. Prepare a Truth Table for Johnson Counter for 6 clock cycles.

3 Laboratory Work

- 1. Create the subdirectory *lab4* in your work directory, and copy the all the subdirectories created as part of pre-lab to this subdirectory.
- 2. Compile your designs and create symbols for respective projects (**mux**, **decode**, **encod**, and **johns**) and save them.
- 3. Create new subdirectories inside lab4 folder of your working directory with names **muxModified** and decodModified.
- 4. Start-up Quartus II. This window gives you access to an integrated suite of CAD tools

- 5. Enter the name of the project, **muxModified**, by clicking on File then Project on the pull down menu and then Name on the subsequent pull down menu. Type the Project Name at top, and click OK.
- 6. Create a block schematic file **muxModified.bdf** for the project defined in (12) and implement a **4:1** multiplexer using two **2:1** multiplexer (**mux** symbols) as shown in *Figure 6.3* of the text book.
- 7. Repeat the steps 11-13 for the project **decodModified** and implement a **3:8** decoder using two **2:4** decoders (**decode** symbols) as outlined in *Figure 6.17* of the text book.
- 8. Assign all Input (Output) signals to any dedicated Input (Output) pins of the Cyclone- II EP2C35F672C6 FPGA on the prototype board (see Pin Assignment Tables in Lab3). Re-compile your design.

NOTE:

- (a) All the output LEDs are active **HIGH**. (NOTE: This means high logic level will turn the LED's on).
- (b) All the 7-segment displays are active LOW (NOTE: This means low logic level will turn the 7-segment on).
- (c) The **resetn** signal must be assigned to the push button switch (PIN_G6) of the Cyclone- II EP2C35F672C6. There are four red buttons on the prototype board. The pin 1 is connected to the first button starting from the top.
- (d) The **clk** signal must be assigned to the Global Clock Input (pin 2) of the Cyclone-II EP2C35F672C6 FPGA.
- 9. Implement/program all your designs into the Cyclone® II 2C35 FPGA.
 - **NOTE:** before programming double-check pin assignments. Incorrect pin assignment can result in failure of the Cyclone- II EP2C35F672C6 FPGA.
- 10. Every digit of last 6 digits of Student ID should be displayed on the seven-segment display while the current state of the **johns** is displayed on green LED's.
- 11. Design your circuits as outlined and demonstrate results to the instructor by displaying both the states and student identifier utilizing the displays of your prototype board.
 - **NOTE:** Re-use the 7-segment module from Lab3 to display states and student identifier digits.
- 12. The circuit design must handle non-valid states and non-valid student identifier cases by displaying an "E" in the seven segment display.
- 13. Consider the last 6 digits of the student identifier $D = \{d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4, d_5, d_6\}$ in its general representation. Then, as an example, a student with identifier: **500435429** will follow the display sequence as **435429**.

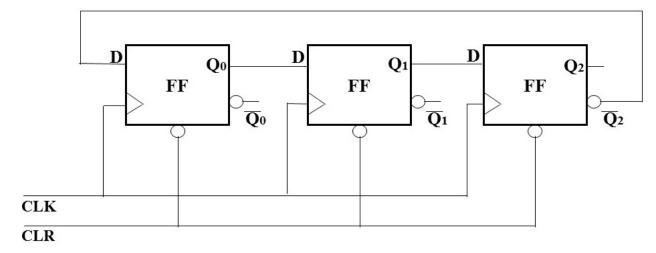


Figure 1: Johnson Counter (Note feedback Connection)

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LIBRARY ieee;
USE ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
ENTITY johns IS
PORT (Clrn, E, Clkn : IN STD_LOGIC; --clrn is your reset button
 STUDENT_ID : out std_logic_vector(3 downto 0);
 Q : OUT STD_LOGIC_VECTOR (0 TO 2));
END johns;
ARCHITECTURE Behavior OF johns IS
signal Qreg : STD_LOGIC_VECTOR (0 TO 2);
BEGIN
    PROCESS (Clrn, Clkn)
     BEGIN
         IF Clrn = '0' THEN
            Qreg <= "000";</pre>
         ELSIF (Clkn'EVENT AND Clkn = '0') THEN
             IF E = '1' THEN
                 .. -- complete your johns flip-flop outputs here..
                 Qreg(1) \le Qreg(0);
             ELSE
                Qreg <= Qreg;</pre>
             END IF;
         END IF;
    -- STUDENT_ID variable represents the last 6 digits of your student ID
    hence d4 is the fourth digit of your
    --student ID in four bits, d5 is the fifth and so on. For example, for
    Student ID 500435429,
    --d4 is 0100, d5 is 0011 and so on
         CASE Qreg IS
             WHEN "000" =>
                STUDENT_ID <= .... --d1
             WHEN "100" =>
                STUDENT_ID <= .... --d2
                                     --d3
                                     --d4
                                     --d5
                                     --d6
             WHEN OTHERS => STUDENT_ID <= "----";--error</pre>
         END CASE;
    END PROCESS;
Q <= Qreg;
END Behavior;
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Figure 2: Code Template for Johnson Counter to sequence STUDENT ID

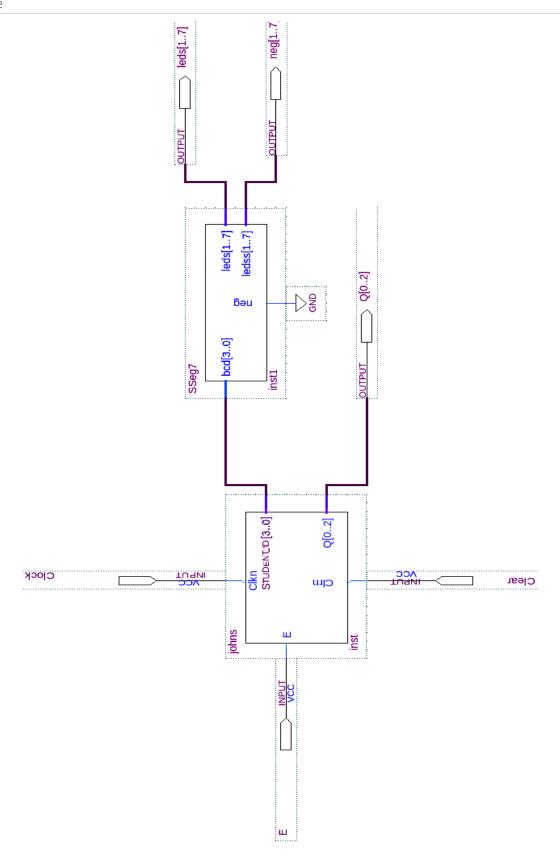


Figure 3: Typical Schematic produced using Quartus II