

## Assignment 8

### What do you learn today ?

- Interfacing a PS-2 keyboard with Xilinx Spartan 3 starter kit
- Writing an **FSM interpreter** in VHDL
- Interfacing a 7 segment LED Display

### Problem Statement

There is an onboard PS-2 port provided in Xilinx Spartan-3 kit. Your objective in this assignment is to interface a PS-2 keyboard with Spartan board and display the typed characters on a 7 segment LED display. The LED display supports 4 characters at once.

You have to write an interpreter in VHDL to interpret the code received from keyboard into a character. The interpreter in this case should work like an FSM. There is a unique **scan code** generated for each character typed from keyboard. Interpretation should be done for following keys:

1. Printable characters: alphabets and numerals
2. Control keys: CAPS LOCK, SPACEBAR and BACKSPACE
  - a. When CAPSLOCK is ON, uppercase alphabets should be printed and otherwise when CAPS LOCK is OFF.
  - b. When SPACEBAR is pressed, a space should follow
  - c. For a stroke of BACKSPACE, the last character must be erased

**NOTE:** There are many characters which cannot be printed using a 7 segment LED display. Your interpreter should just ignore such characters.

Display of characters on LED display should be done in following way:

- Keystrokes : CAPSLOCK A CAPSLOCK B C D  
Display : dcbA
- Keystrokes: A CAPSLOCK H SPACE 3  
Display: 3 H a
- Keystrokes: 1 2 3 BACKSPACE 4 5  
Display: 5 4 2 1

### Helpful links:

[Spartan 3 user guide](#) (interfacing with PS-2 keyboard given)  
[Displaying characters on 7 segment LED display](#)  
[Scan Codes for PS-2 keyboard](#)

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