Experiment 5: Musical Notes

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Overview of the experiment:

The purpose of the experiment was to play Musical notes' octet on a speaker using VHDL code. We use a sequential style VHDL code to generate frequencies corresponding to musical notes on the Krypton board which in turn is connected to a speaker. The inputs are given using the switches on the board and a clock of frequency 50MHz. The output source powering the speaker is PIN_1 on Krypton board and LEDs to indicate which note is played. The frequencies for each note is created by making a simple counter using the clock divider technique. Each frequency has a different count which is calculated as 50MHz/2f. We use a testbench which tests the code by simulating the output frequency for each of the switch inputs. The frequencies can be verified in the RTL simulation by checking the output's time periods. This verifies the functioning of the code on software. And, finally, the pin planning is done accordingly and svf is generated and parsed onto the Krypton board, the speaker is connected to the board through appropriate components and the hardware functioning is verified by checking the tone and LEDs for different switch inputs.

Approach to the experiment:

The count to be given for different frequencies is calculated as $50x10^6/(2xf)$.

Note	Frequency	Count	
Sa	240Hz	104168	
Re	270Hz	92593	
Ga	300Hz	83333	
Ма	320Hz	78125	
Pa	360Hz	69444	
Dha	400Hz	62500	
Ni	450Hz	56556	
Sa(upper octave)	480Hz	52083	

Design document and VHDL code if relevant:

ToneGenerator_tb: Acts as Testbench.

ToneGenerator: Main logic, code template provided by TAs, some additions needed to be made.

Architecture of ToneGenerator is:

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process(clk)

variable count_sa1 : integer := 0;

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variable sa1 : std_logic := '0';
begin
if(clk = '1' and clk' event) then
        if(switch(0) = '1') then
                if (count_sa1 = 104167) then--240Hz
                        count_sa1 := 1;
                         sa1 := not sa1;
                else
                         count_sa1 := count_sa1 + 1;
                end if;
                         toneOut <= sa1;
                        LED \le (0 => '1', others => '0');
        elsif(switch(1) = '1') then
                if (count sa1 = 92593) then--270Hz
                         count_sa1 := 1;
                         sa1 := not sa1;
                else
                         count_sa1 := count_sa1 + 1;
                end if;
                        toneOut <= sa1;
                        LED \le (1 => '1', others => '0');
        elsif(switch(2) = '1') then
                if (count_sa1 = 83333) then--300Hz
                        count_sa1 := 1;
                        sa1 := not sa1;
                else
                         count_sa1 := count_sa1 + 1;
                end if;
                        toneOut <= sa1;
                        LED \le (2 => '1', others => '0');
        elsif(switch(3) = '1') then
                if (count sa1 = 78125) then--320Hz
                         count_sa1 := 1;
                        sa1 := not sa1;
                else
                         count_sa1 := count_sa1 + 1;
                end if;
                         toneOut <= sa1;
                        LED \le (3 => '1', others => '0');
        elsif(switch(4) = '1') then
                if (count_sa1 = 69444) then--360Hz
                        count_sa1 := 1;
                        sa1 := not sa1;
                else
                         count_sa1 := count_sa1 + 1;
                end if;
                         toneOut <= sa1;
                        LED <= (4 => '1', others => '0');
        elsif(switch(5) = '1') then
                if (count_sa1 = 62500) then--400Hz
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count_sa1 := 1;
                        sa1 := not sa1;
                else
                        count_sa1 := count_sa1 + 1;
                end if;
                        toneOut <= sa1;
                        LED \le (5 => '1', others => '0');
       elsif(switch(6) = '1') then
                if (count_sa1 = 55556) then--450Hz
                        count_sa1 := 1;
                        sa1 := not sa1;
                else
                        count_sa1 := count_sa1 + 1;
                end if;
                        toneOut <= sa1;
                        LED \le (6 => '1', others => '0');
        elsif(switch(7) = '1') then
                if (count_sa1 = 52083) then--480Hz
                        count_sa1 := 1;
                        sa1 := not sa1;
                else
                        count_sa1 := count_sa1 + 1;
                end if;
                        toneOut <= sa1;
                        LED \le (7 => '1', others => '0');
       end if;
end if;
end process;
end behavioral;
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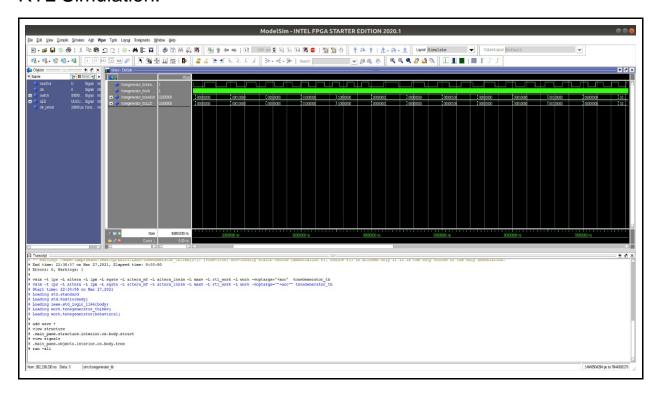
RTL View:



DUT Input/Output Format:

NA

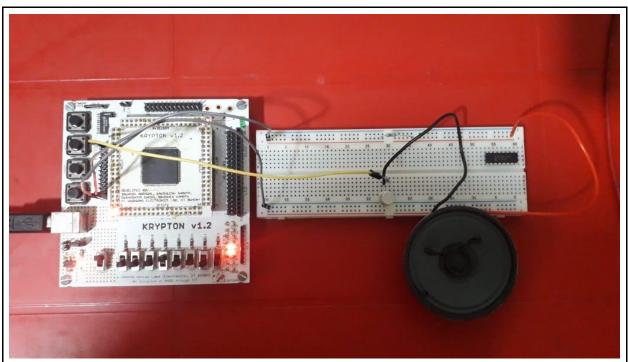
RTL Simulation:



Gate-level Simulation:

NA

Krypton board*:



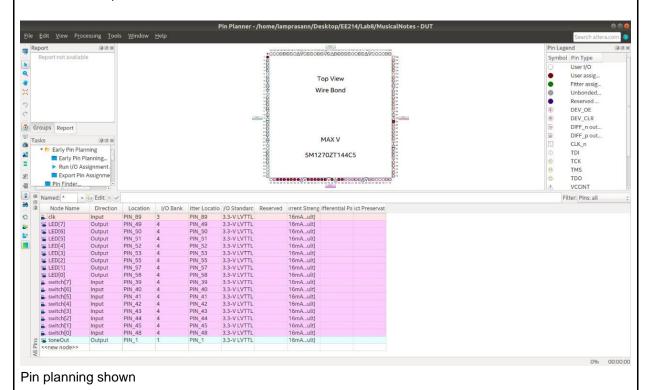
Krypton board connected to speaker with proper connections to play music



Switch 1 corresponds to LED1



Switch 7 corresponds to LED 7.



Observations*:

Sound generated matches that of Indian Ra Ga tones https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iKI46898pqyURBS7piD7kgGFXEIoL_hT/view?usp=sharing Can view the video of the tones and LEDs at this link. (Better than Moodle Placeholder)

References:

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