





Rocket Rider

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EE-390(a) TP de conception de systèmes numériques



Design Features: Checklist (1/3)

ARM Processors

- Game dynamics:
 - Switching between levels
 - Determining if player won
 - Initialization and Restart of game
 - Console Input/Output
- Graphics:
 - Writing background in Backbuffer
 - Copying Backbuffer into Framebuffer

DRAM memory

- Storage of Backbuffer and Framebuffer
- Storage of Sprite positions for HW Sprite Drawing

Memory coherence

Backbuffer and Sprite positions have non-cacheable memory



Design Features: Checklist (2/3)

AXI slave

- Register file for:
 - Storing signals for Sprite generation (SpriteList Start, SpriteList Length, Backbuffer Start, Backbuffer Length Start, Done)
 - Storing Player and Obstacle coordinates for collision detection (is_collision, PlayerPos, PlayerDir, ObstacleList1, ObstacleList2)

AXI master

- Memory Reader/Writer File for:
 - Reading Sprite Locations one after the others
 - Writing into the Backbuffer



Design Features: Checklist (3/3)

- Interrupts none
- Linux device driver none
- Video subsystem
 - Bavigap HDMI Output from Lab Session 9
- Additional peripherals none

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Coordinate systems

Screen: 640x480

NDS game: 256x192

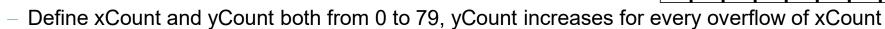
Grid positions: 48 (squares of 80*80 pixels)

Get screen coordinates from Grid positions:

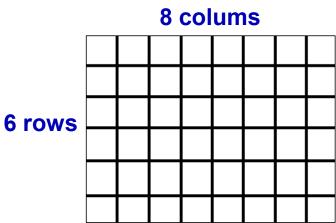
-X = GridPos%8*80

Y = Gridpos\8 * 80 * 640

Individual pixels of a Sprite in backbuffer memory:



- startingAddres is the addres of the first element in the backbuffer
- memAddr = startingAddress + X + Y + 640*yCount + xCount





Problems and solutions

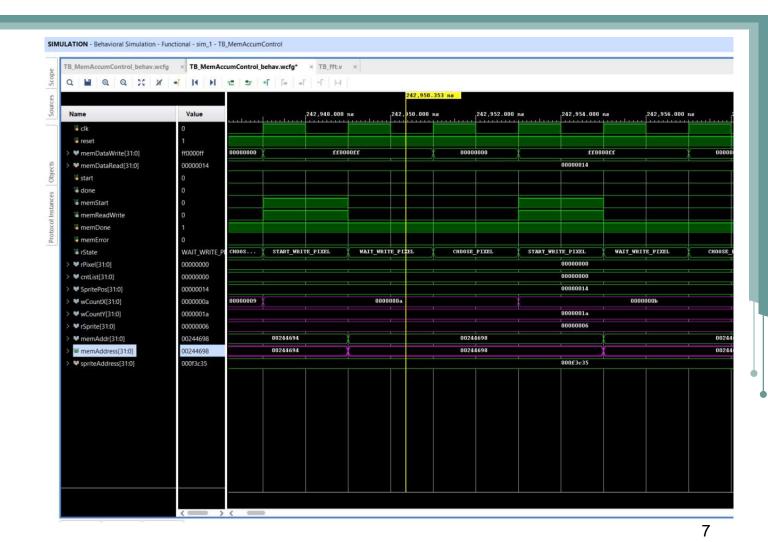
 Not a single multiplication operator was used in the HDL part. Only bitshifts and additions

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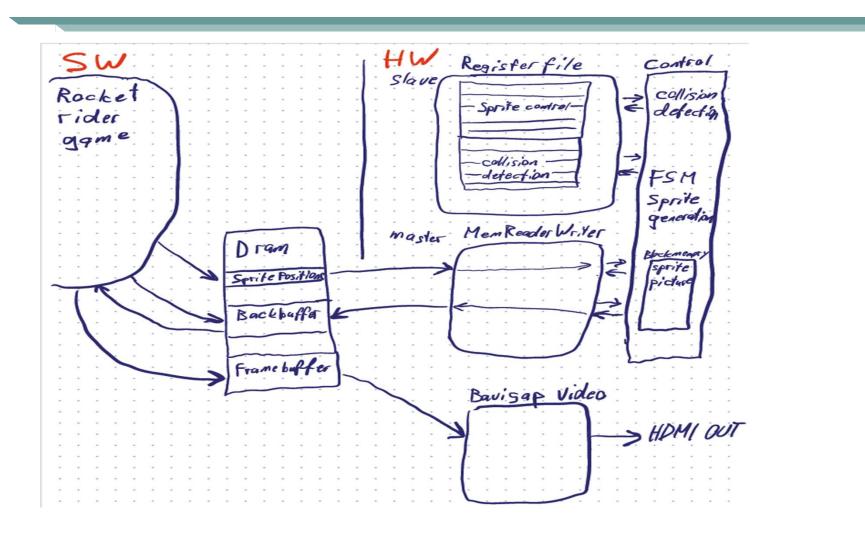
- 2 Testbenches (Verilog) for :
- a) testing Sprite Addresses and control State machine for sprite generation
- b) testing collision detection



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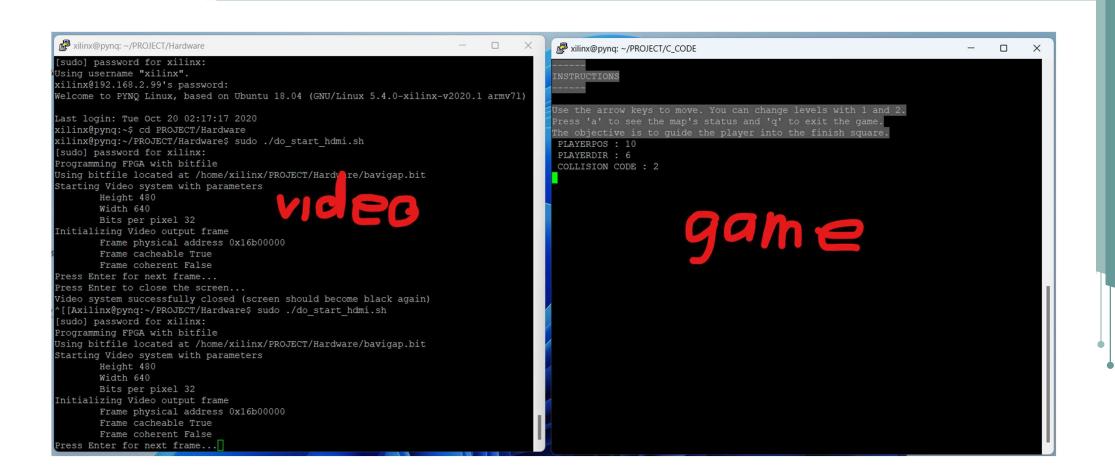


Simplified Blockdiagram of the Project





Screenshot of the 2 open terminals through ssh



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Pictures of the game





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