EE214 - Digital Circuits Lab

Clock Divider

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Instructions:

- 1. Use **Behavioral** modeling for writing VHDL description
- 2. Perform RTL simulation using the provided testbench.
- 3. Demonstrate the simulations to your TA
- 4. Perform Pin-Planning, run on Xenon board and demonstrate to your TA.
- 5. Submit the entire project files in .zip format in moodle.

Clock Divider [20 Marks]

Designing of the Clock Divider

In this experiment you will be doing clock divider. There is a 50 Mhz on board clock. You will divide it to generate 0.5 Hz clock. VHDL code will be provided. You can run the simulation to check the waveform. You can map it in the board also so that you can assign an LED and can check if the LED is blinking.

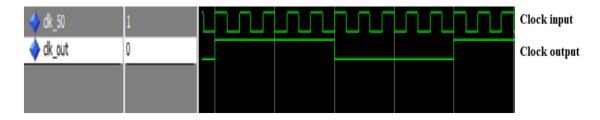


Figure 1: Waveform

NOTE: The above image(1) is for representative purpose only. May not have any similarity with the waveform that will be generated after simulation.

Method of this experiment

Suppose we need to generate f = 5 MHz from 50 MHz master clock. For this, we need a counter such that the clock out remains HIGH for 5 Input (master) Clock Cycles and LOW for next 5 Clock Cycles. In order to do this, we set-up a counter that starts from 1 and increments at every positive edge of the Input Clock (master) till the count reaches its maximum value which is 5 in this case.

$$count = 50MHz/(2\star f) = 5$$

After the count reaches 5, count will be initialized back to 1. And clock output will go LOW till count reaches maximum again. **Note:** Here we are counting from 1 to maximum count. (Not from 0 to maximum count -1).

Method to generate any arbitrary frequency from 50 MHz clock

Suppose you want to generate the frequency of f = 10 Hz.

$$count = 50MHz/(2 \star f)$$

Count = 2.5 Million. So till the count reaches maximum the clock out will be 1. After the count reaches maximum count will be initialized to 1. And output clock will be off till count reaches maximum again.

VHDL Description and RTL Simulation [10 Marks]

- Generate a 480 Hz square wave using the Testbench provided. Please verify the simulation using the Testbench.
- Simulate it using **Testbench** provided to you in this link. [5 Marks]
- Redesign by changing the count value for 0.5 Hz and generate a 0.5 Hz square wave using the above Testbench provided. Please verify the simulation using the above Testbench. [5 Marks]

On Xenon board [10 Marks]

- \bullet For the 0.5 Hz output generated show it on LED8 on Xenon board.
- Keep your clock divider vhdl file as top level entity and do the pin-mapping.
- Do Pin-mapping for the clock output to LED8 and 50 MHz input clock and reset to SW8. Refer the Pin-mapping given below and do accordingly.
- Keep SW8 ON for some time then make it OFF.
- Get the LED output verified by your respective TA.

Clock Source Frequency	FPGA Pin no.
1 Hz CLK	55
50 MHz CLK	26
Ext CLK	27
10 MHz CLK	29

Figure 2: Pin-mapping for on-board Clock Sources

Switch	FPGA Pin no.	LED	FPGA Pin no.
SW 8	47	LED 8	60
SW 7	46	LED 7	59
SW 6	45	LED 6	58
SW 5	44	LED 5	57
SW 4	43	LED 4	56
SW 3	41	LED 3	54
SW 2	39	LED 2	52
SW 1	38	LED 1	50

Figure 3: Pin-mapping for on-board Switches and LED's