

YEDITEPE UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER ENGINEERING

INTRODUCTION TO DIGITAL SYSTEMS LABORATORY- LAB #5
Fall 2021

Objective:

Sequential Circuit Design and Implementation at Register-Transfer Level (RTL).

General Information:

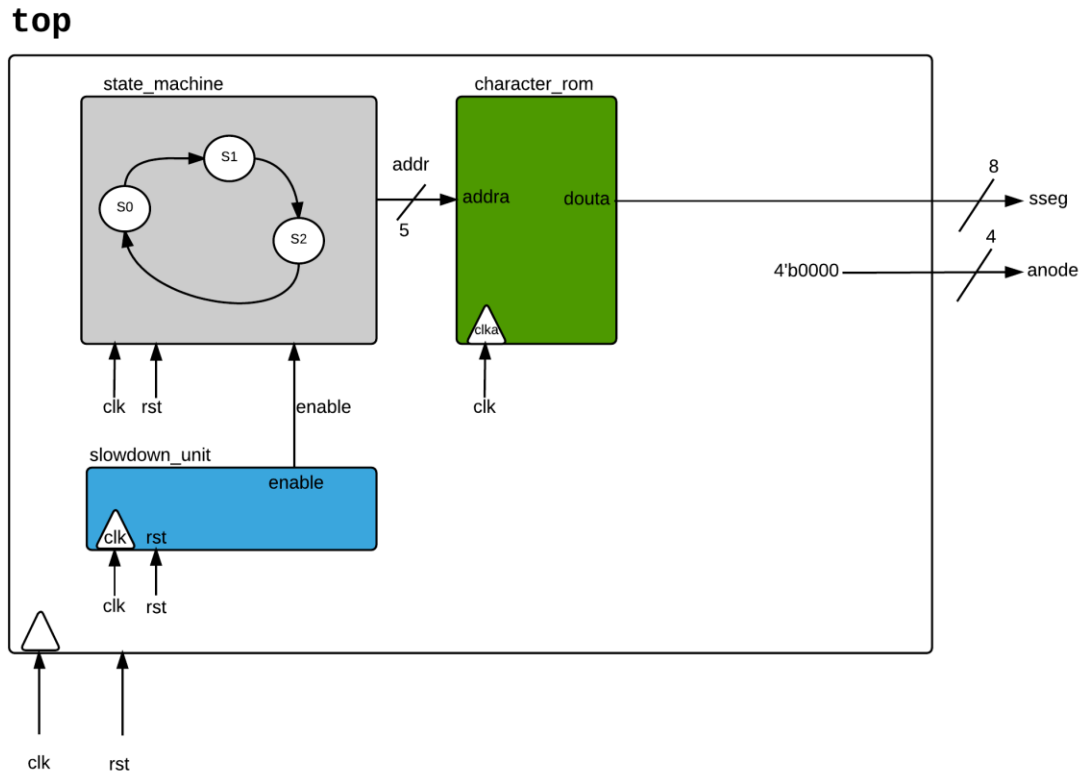
In this lab, you will design and implement sequential circuits which are described at register-transfer level. You are going to use Verilog hardware description language (HDL) both to model your design and implement it.

Lab Equipment:

Xilinx ISE Design Suite, Digilent Basys2 or Nexys2 or Nexys4 board.

Design #1: Seven-Segment Banner

Figure below shows the block diagram of seven-segment banner design. Notice that there are **clk** (clock) and **rst** (reset) signals in the design. There are also a read-only memory (ROM) and a state machine within the design.



Procedure:

1. Create a new folder named **lab_5** under Desktop folder.
2. Invoke Xilinx ISE Design Suite.
3. Create a new project.
 - a. Click on **New Project...** under File menu.
 - b. Set the project name, location, and working directory as follows:
 - i. Name:
rotating_banner
 - ii. Location:
C:\Users\<USER>\Desktop\lab_5\rotating_banner

iii. Working Directory:

C:\Users\<USER>\Desktop\lab_5\rotating_banner

c. In Project Settings window, set Family, Device, and Package as follows:

i. If you got Basys2 Board:

New Project Wizard

Project Settings

Specify device and project properties.
Select the device and design flow for the project

Property Name	Value
Evaluation Development Board	None Specified
Product Category	All
Family	Spartan3E
Device	XC3S100E
Package	CP132
Speed	-5
Top-Level Source Type	HDL
Synthesis Tool	XST (VHDL/Verilog)
Simulator	ISim (VHDL/Verilog)
Preferred Language	Verilog
Property Specification in Project File	Store all values
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Enable Meccane Filtering	<input type="checkbox"/>

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ii. If you got Nexys2 Board:

New Project Wizard

Project Settings

Specify device and project properties.
Select the device and design flow for the project

Property Name	Value
Evaluation Development Board	None Specified
Product Category	All
Family	Spartan3E
Device	XC3S1200E
Package	FG320
Speed	-5
Top-Level Source Type	HDL
Synthesis Tool	XST (VHDL/Verilog)
Simulator	ISim (VHDL/Verilog)
Preferred Language	Verilog
Property Specification in Project File	Store all values
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iii. If you got Nexys4 Board:


New Project Wizard

Project Settings

Specify device and project properties.
Select the device and design flow for the project

Property Name	Value
Evaluation Development Board	None Specified
Product Category	All
Family	Artix7
Device	XC7A100T
Package	CSG324
Speed	-3
Top-Level Source Type	HDL
Synthesis Tool	XST (VHDL/Verilog)
Simulator	ISim (VHDL/Verilog)
Preferred Language	Verilog
Property Specification in Project File	Store all values
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- d. Don't change anything in Project Settings window. Just click on Next.
 - e. Check Project Summary window to make sure that your project settings are correct. After that, click on Finish.
- 4. Create a new source file to describe the top design.
 - a. Click on **New Source...** under Project menu.
 - b. Select **Verilog Module** and set File name as **top** in Select Source Type window.
 - c. Don't change anything in Define Module window. Just click on Next.
 - d. Check Summary window to make sure that your module settings are correct. After that, click on Finish.
- 5. Complete the module as in the following figure and then click on  button to save your design.

```

`timescale 1ns / 1ps

module top(clk, rst, sseg, anode);

input clk, rst;
output [7:0] sseg;
output [3:0] anode;

wire enable;
reg [4:0] addr;
wire [7:0] dout;

reg [3:0] state_current, state_next;

always@(posedge clk) begin
    if(rst) begin
        state_current <= 0;
    end
    else begin
        state_current <= state_next;
    end
end

always@(*) begin
    state_next = state_current;
    case(state_current)
        0: begin
            addr = 30;
            if(enable == 1'b1) begin
                state_next = 1;
            end
        end
        default: begin
            addr = 0;
        end
    endcase
end

assign sseg = dout;
assign anode = 4'b0000;

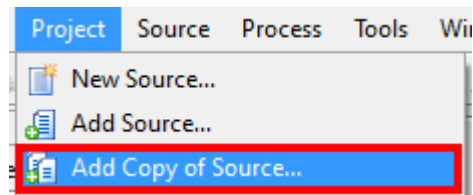
slowdown_unit inst_1(.clk(clk), .rst(rst), .enable(enable));

character_rom inst_2(
    .clka(clk), // input clka
    .addra(addr), // input [4 : 0] addra
    .douta(dout) // output [7 : 0] douta
);

endmodule

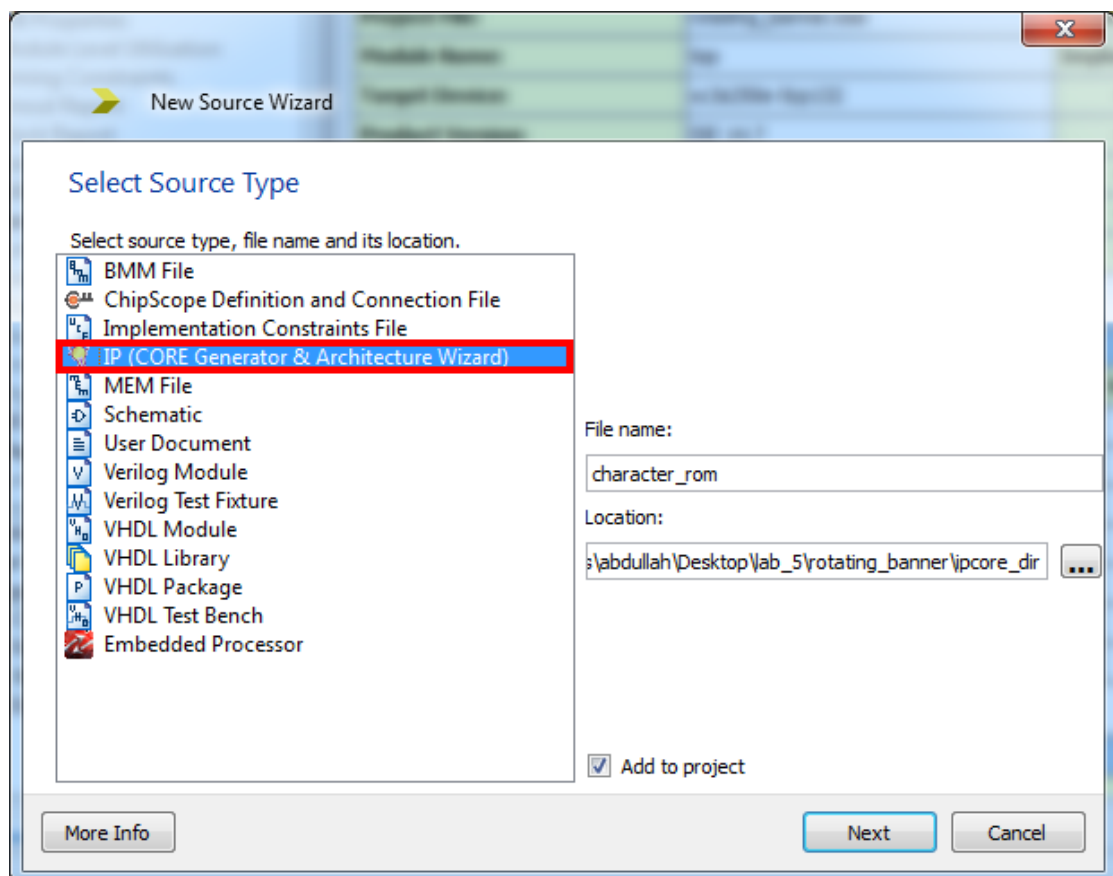
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6. Download **slowdown_unit** module from COADSYS as **.v** files and add them into the design.
 - a. Click on **Add Copy of Source...** under Project menu.



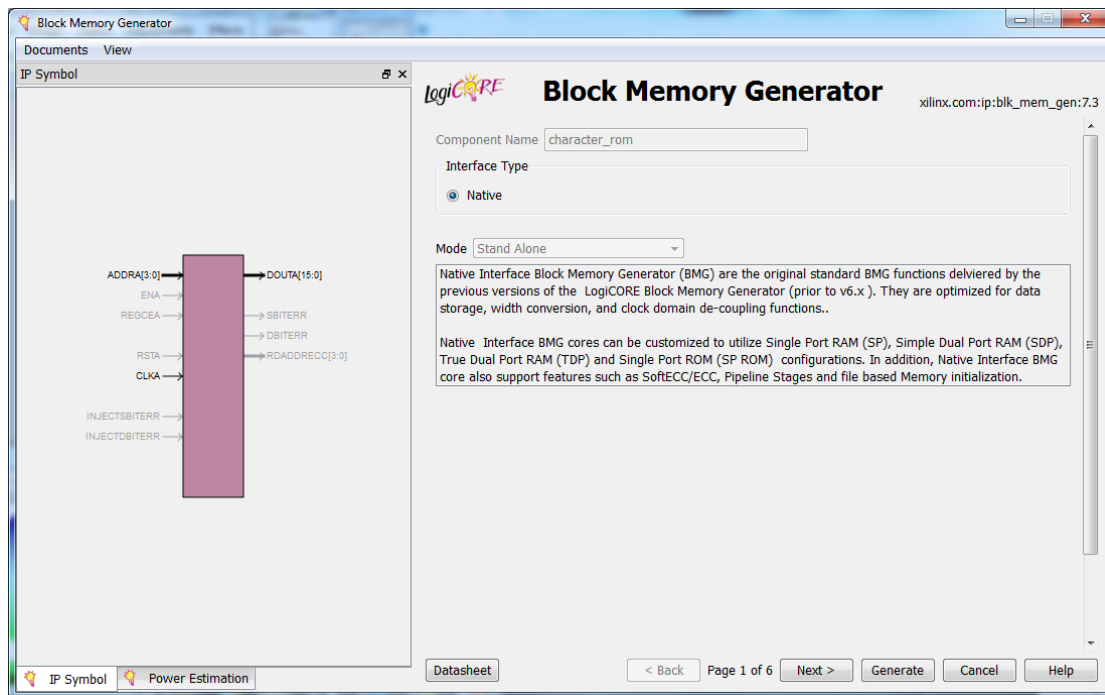
- b. Select the downloaded Verilog files and click on Open and then click on OK.
7. Create a new source file to describe the character_rom design.
 - a. Click on **New Source...** under Project menu.

- b. Select **IP (CORE Generator & Architecture Wizard)** and set File name as **character_rom** in Select Source Type window and then click on Next.

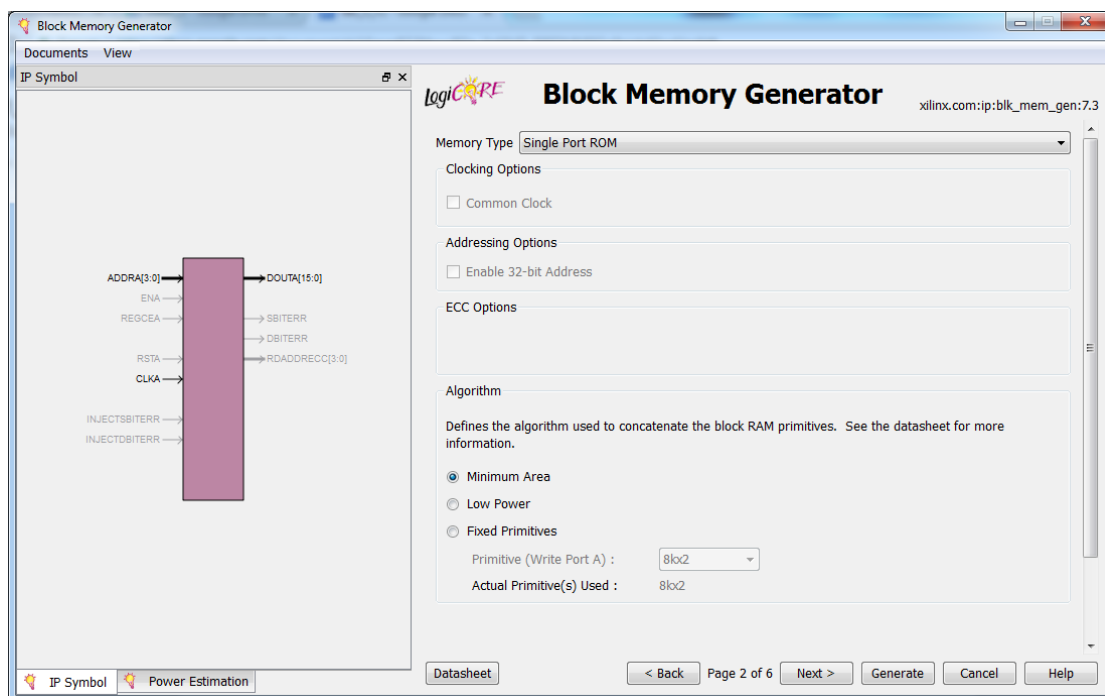


- c. Select **Block Memory Generator** under **RAMs & ROMs of Memories & Storage Elements**. Click on Next and then Finish.

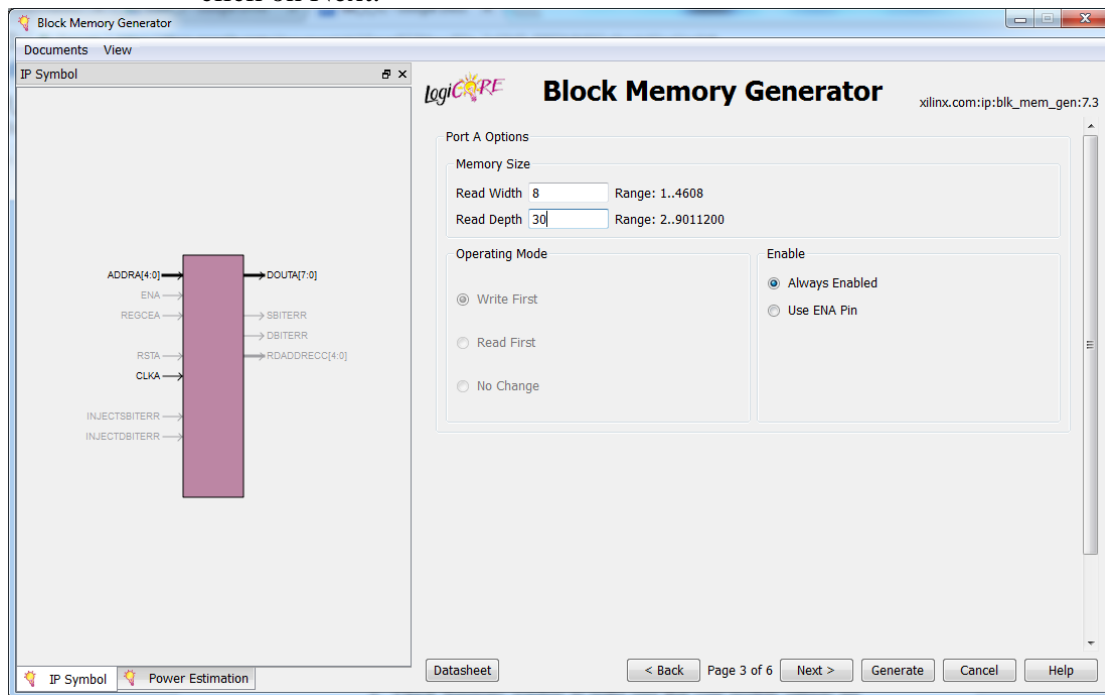
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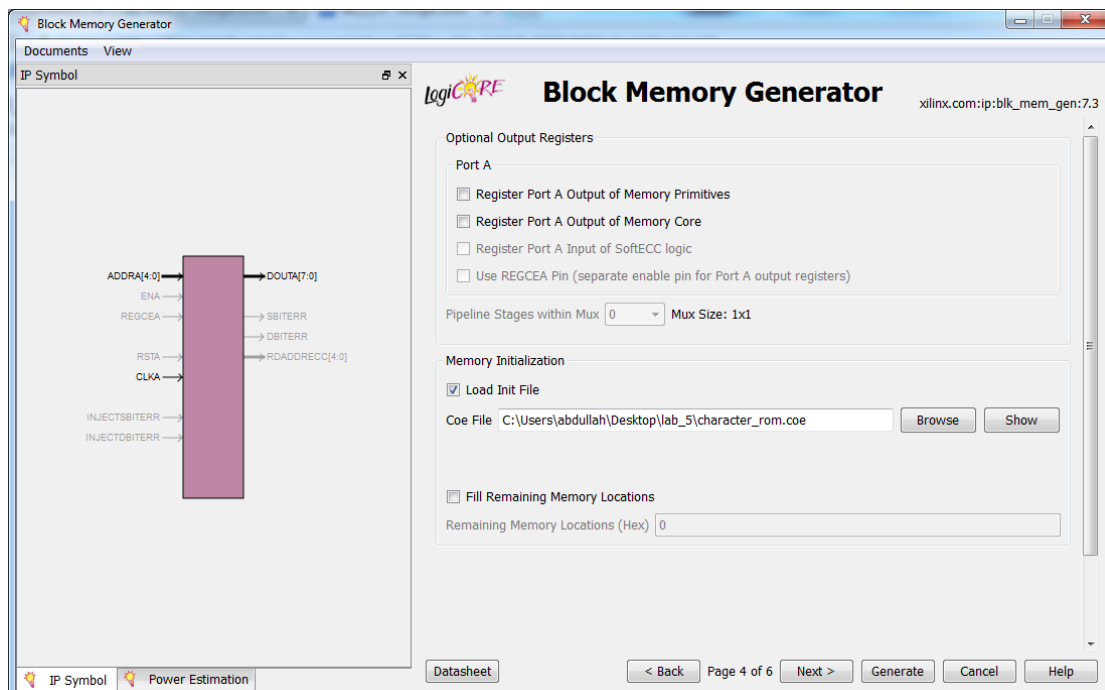
- e. Select **Single Port ROM** as Memory Type on the second page and click on Next.





- f. Set **Read Width** as **8** and **Read Depth** as **30** on the third page and then click on Next.



- g. Check the **Load Init File** option on the fourth page and set the name of **Coe File** as **character_rom.coe** (Download **character_rom.coe** file from COADSYS). Then click on Generate.

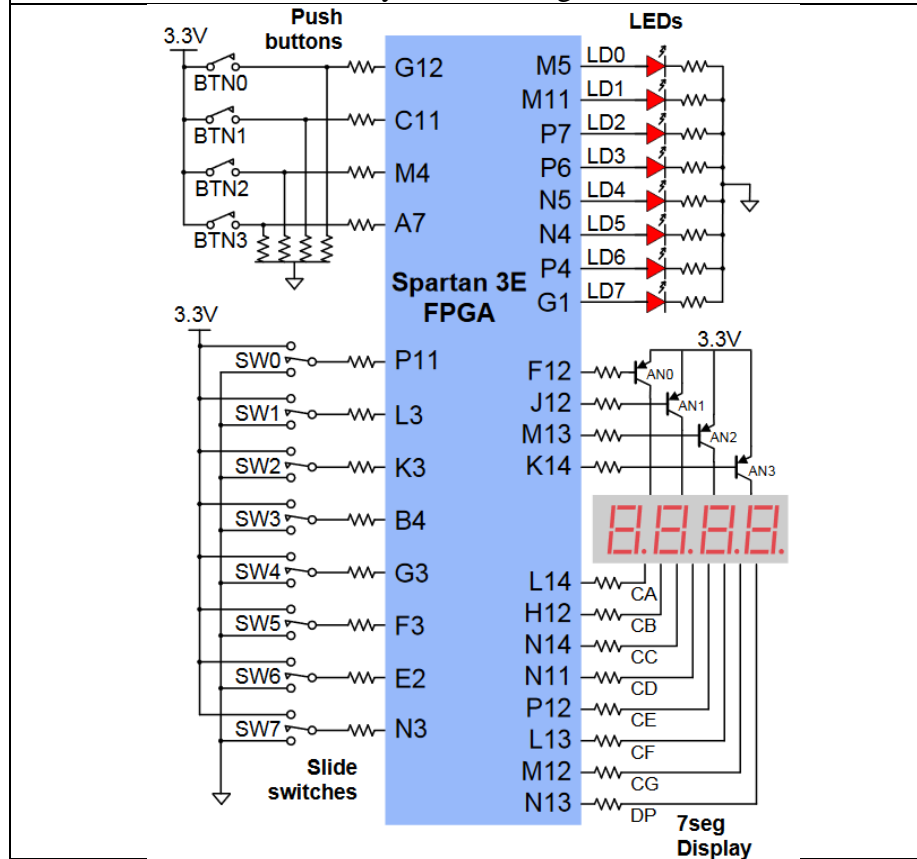


- h. After character_rom file is generated, click on character_rom module  and then **View HDL Instantiation Template** under **Core Generator**  window.
8. Create a new source file to describe the user constraints of top design.
- i. Click on **New Source...** under Project menu.
 - j. Select **Implementation Constraints File** and set Filename as **top** in Select Source Type window. After that, click on Next.
 - k. Click on Finish to add the file into your project.
9. Add the following clock constraint to the **top.ucf** file and use the below figures to describe the user constraints of your top design.

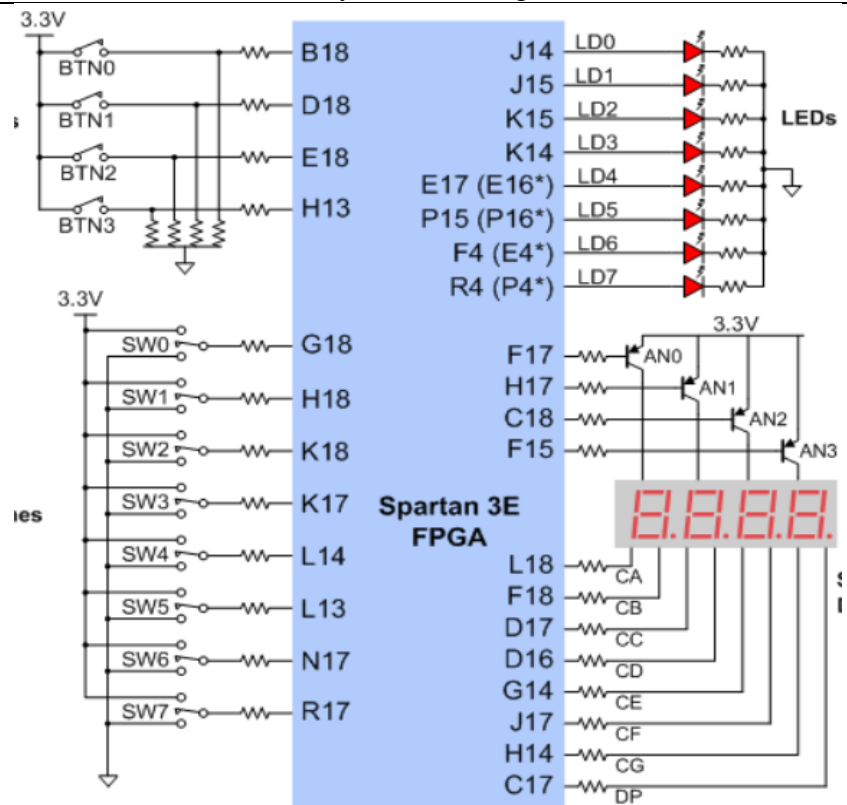
NET "clk" LOC = "B8"; # **(FOR BASYS2 AND NEXYS2)**

NET "clk" LOC = "E3" | IOSTANDARD = "LVCMOS33"; # **(FOR NEXYS4)**

Basys2 Circuit Figure

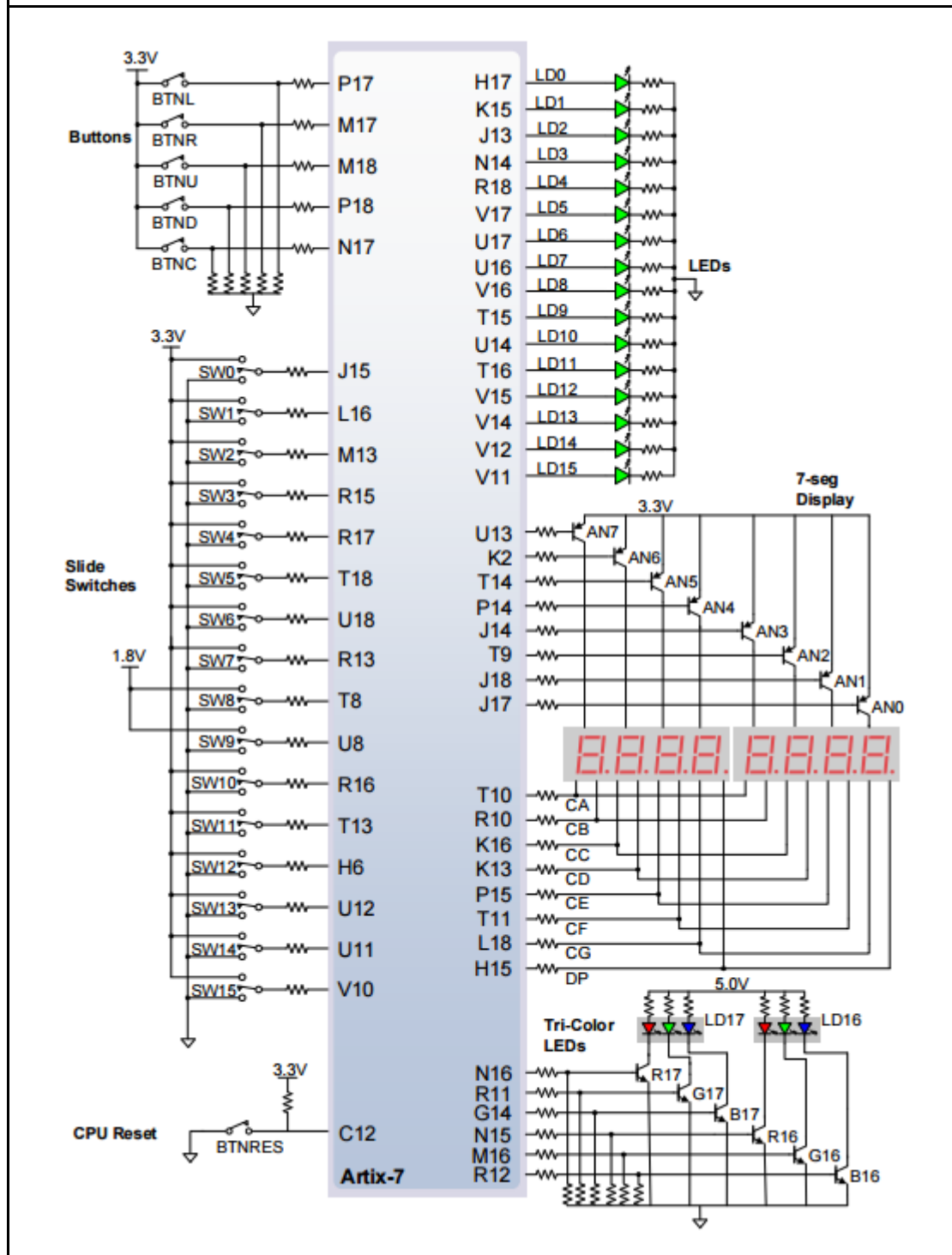


Nexys2 Circuit Figure



* pin numbers for -1200 die

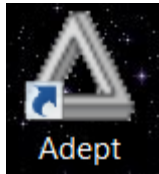
Nexys4 Circuit Figure



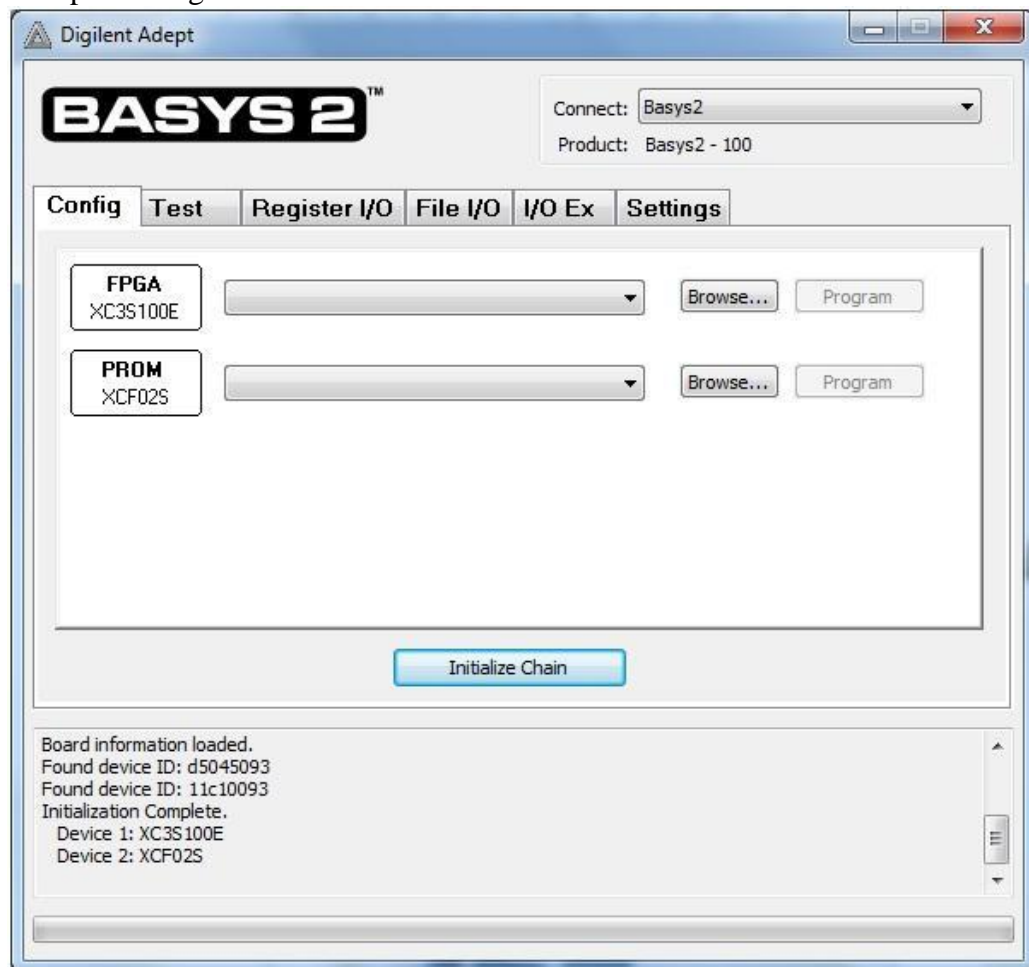
10. While on **Implementation** view, click on **Implementation** to start implementing the design.
11. After **Implementation** is completed click on **Generate Programming File** to

generate “.bit” file.

12. After connecting the FPGA board to the computer and it is powered on, invoke Digilent Adept.



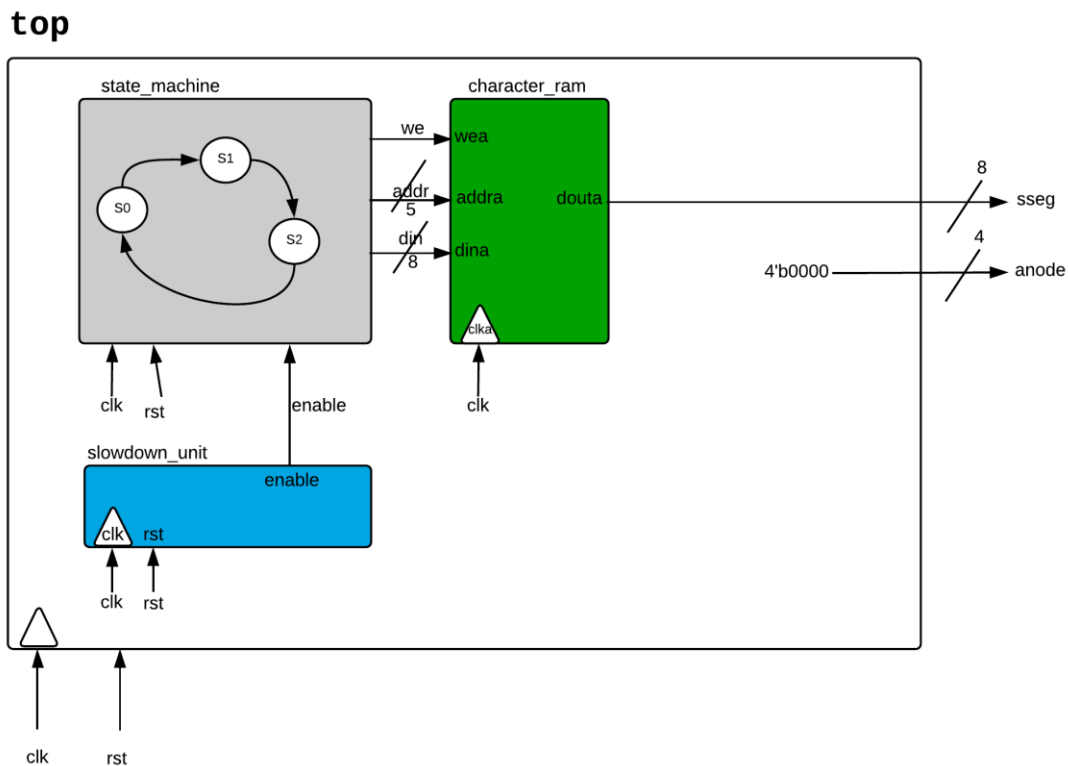
13. After invoking Adept Select “top.bit” from the project folder using browse and then press Program button.



14. After Program is successfully loaded to the FPGA board, check whether your design works properly.

Design #2: Seven-Segment Banner

Figure below shows the block diagram of seven-segment banner design. Notice that there are **clk** (clock) and **rst** (reset) signals in the design. There are also a memory (RAM) and a state machine within the design.



Procedure:

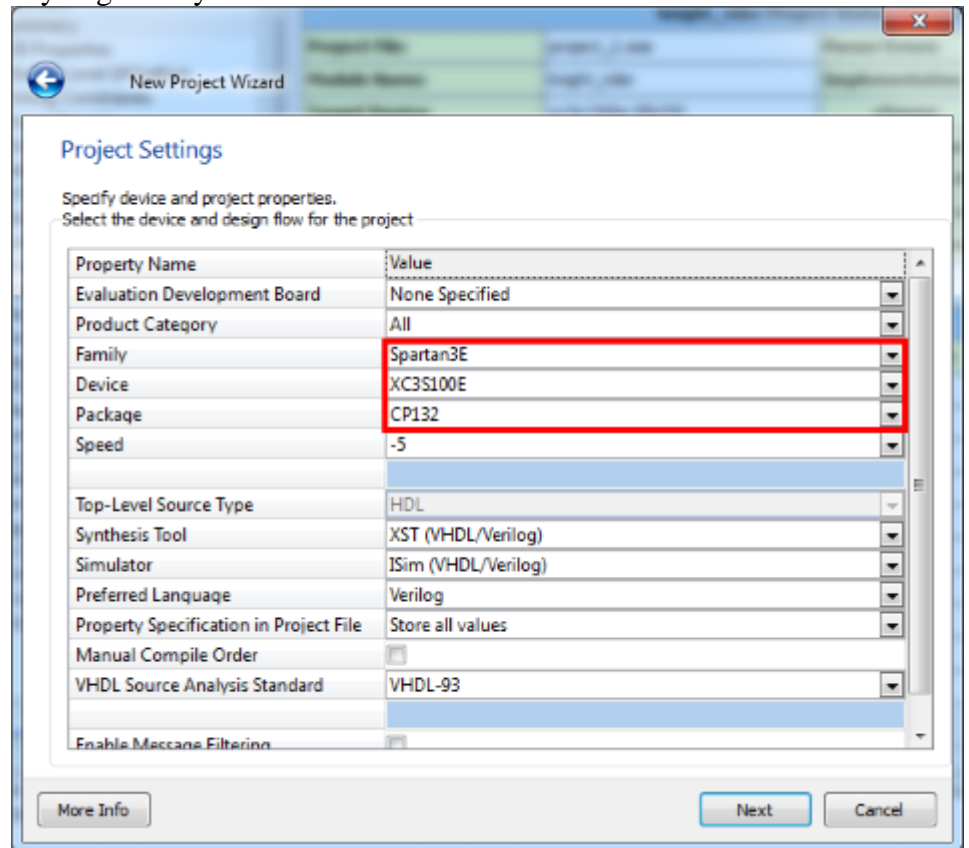
1. Create a new folder named **lab_6** under Desktop folder.
2. Invoke Xilinx ISE Design Suite.
3. Create a new project.
 - a. Click on **New Project...** under File menu.
 - b. Set the project name, location, and working directory as follows:
 - i. Name:
rotating_banner
 - ii. Location:
C:\Users\<USER>\Desktop\lab_6\rotating_banner

iii. Working Directory:

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c. In Project Settings window, set Family, Device, and Package as follows:

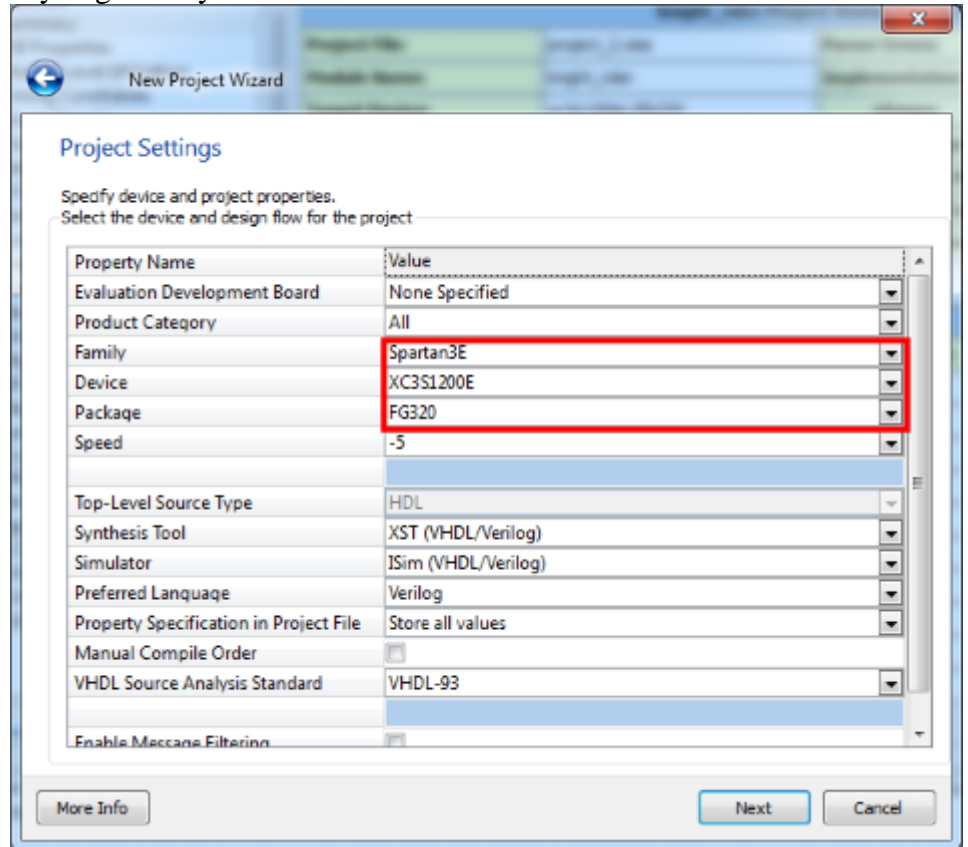
i. If you got Basys2 Board:



The screenshot shows the 'New Project Wizard' dialog box with the 'Project Settings' tab selected. The dialog contains a table of project properties. The 'Family', 'Device', and 'Package' rows are highlighted with a red rectangle. The 'Family' is set to 'Spartan3E', the 'Device' is set to 'XC3S100E', and the 'Package' is set to 'CP132'. Other settings include 'Evaluation Development Board' (None Specified), 'Product Category' (All), 'Speed' (-5), 'Top-Level Source Type' (HDL), 'Synthesis Tool' (XST (VHDL/Verilog)), 'Simulator' (ISim (VHDL/Verilog)), 'Preferred Language' (Verilog), 'Property Specification in Project File' (Store all values), 'Manual Compile Order' (unchecked), 'VHDL Source Analysis Standard' (VHDL-93), and 'Enable Meccano Filtering' (unchecked). At the bottom, there are 'More Info', 'Next', and 'Cancel' buttons.

Property Name	Value
Evaluation Development Board	None Specified
Product Category	All
Family	Spartan3E
Device	XC3S100E
Package	CP132
Speed	-5
Top-Level Source Type	HDL
Synthesis Tool	XST (VHDL/Verilog)
Simulator	ISim (VHDL/Verilog)
Preferred Language	Verilog
Property Specification in Project File	Store all values
Manual Compile Order	<input type="checkbox"/>
VHDL Source Analysis Standard	VHDL-93
Enable Meccano Filtering	<input type="checkbox"/>

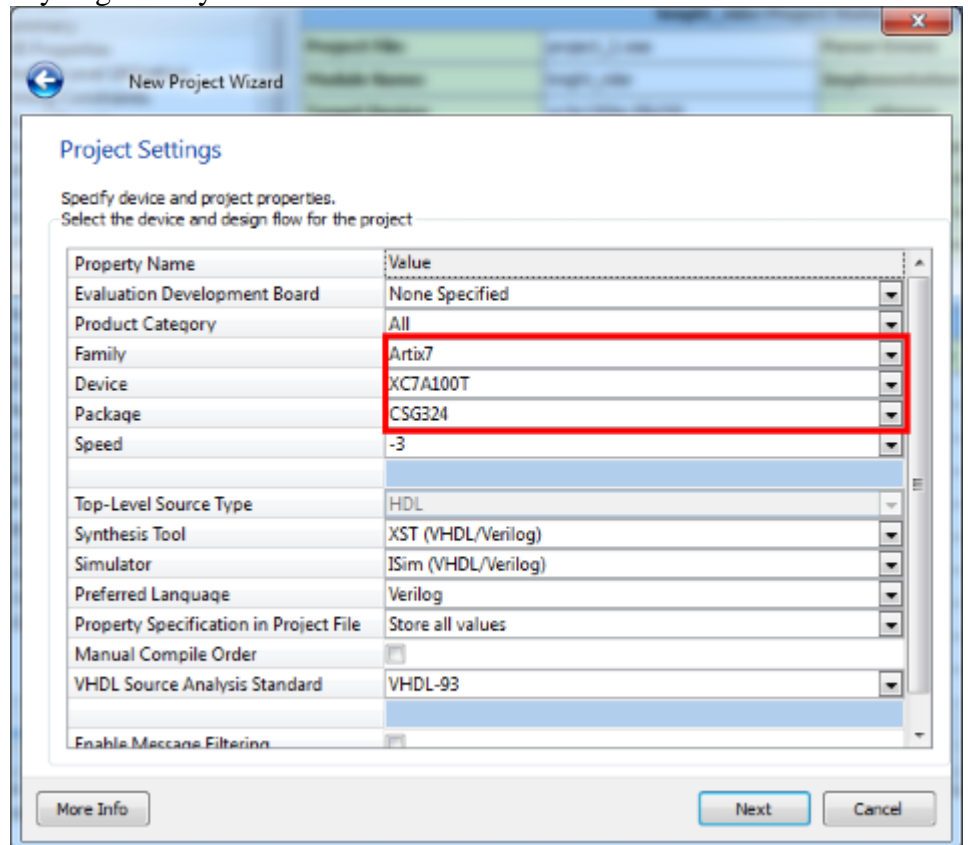
ii. If you got Nexys2 Board:



The screenshot shows the 'New Project Wizard' dialog box, specifically the 'Project Settings' tab. The dialog is titled 'New Project Wizard' and has a back arrow icon. Below the title bar, it says 'Project Settings' and 'Specify device and project properties. Select the device and design flow for the project'. The settings are organized into a table with two columns: 'Property Name' and 'Value'. The properties are: Evaluation Development Board (None Specified), Product Category (All), Family (Spartan3E), Device (XC3S1200E), Package (FG320), Speed (-5), Top-Level Source Type (HDL), Synthesis Tool (XST (VHDL/Verilog)), Simulator (ISim (VHDL/Verilog)), Preferred Language (Verilog), Property Specification in Project File (Store all values), Manual Compile Order (unchecked), VHDL Source Analysis Standard (VHDL-93), and Enable Maccana Filtering (unchecked). The 'Family', 'Device', and 'Package' rows are highlighted with a red rectangle. At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'More Info', 'Next', and 'Cancel'.


Property Name	Value
Evaluation Development Board	None Specified
Product Category	All
Family	Spartan3E
Device	XC3S1200E
Package	FG320
Speed	-5
Top-Level Source Type	HDL
Synthesis Tool	XST (VHDL/Verilog)
Simulator	ISim (VHDL/Verilog)
Preferred Language	Verilog
Property Specification in Project File	Store all values
Manual Compile Order	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Enable Maccana Filtering	<input type="checkbox"/>

iii. If you got Nexys4 Board:



The screenshot shows the 'New Project Wizard' dialog box, specifically the 'Project Settings' tab. The dialog is titled 'New Project Wizard' and has a back arrow icon. Below the title bar, it says 'Project Settings' and 'Specify device and project properties. Select the device and design flow for the project'. The settings are organized into a table with two columns: 'Property Name' and 'Value'. The properties are: Evaluation Development Board (None Specified), Product Category (All), Family (Artix7), Device (XC7A100T), Package (CSG324), Speed (-3), Top-Level Source Type (HDL), Synthesis Tool (XST (VHDL/Verilog)), Simulator (ISim (VHDL/Verilog)), Preferred Language (Verilog), Property Specification in Project File (Store all values), Manual Compile Order (unchecked), VHDL Source Analysis Standard (VHDL-93), and Enable Maccana Filtering (unchecked). The 'Family', 'Device', and 'Package' rows are highlighted with a red rectangle. At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'More Info', 'Next', and 'Cancel'.

Property Name	Value
Evaluation Development Board	None Specified
Product Category	All
Family	Artix7
Device	XC7A100T
Package	CSG324
Speed	-3
Top-Level Source Type	HDL
Synthesis Tool	XST (VHDL/Verilog)
Simulator	ISim (VHDL/Verilog)
Preferred Language	Verilog
Property Specification in Project File	Store all values
Manual Compile Order	<input type="checkbox"/>
VHDL Source Analysis Standard	VHDL-93
Enable Maccana Filtering	<input type="checkbox"/>

- d. Don't change anything in Project Settings window. Just click on Next.
 - e. Check Project Summary window to make sure that your project settings are correct. After that, click on Finish.
 4. Create a new source file to describe the top design.
 - a. Click on **New Source...** under Project menu.
 - b. Select **Verilog Module** and set File name as **top** in Select Source Type window.
 - c. Don't change anything in Define Module window. Just click on Next.
 - d. Check Summary window to make sure that your module settings are correct. After that, click on Finish.
 5. Complete the module as in the following figure and then click on  button to save your design.

```
module top(clk, rst, sseg, anode);

input clk, rst;
output [7:0] sseg;
output [3:0] anode;

wire enable;
reg [2:0] addr;
reg we;
reg [7:0] din;
wire [7:0] dout;

reg [3:0] state_current, state_next;

always@(posedge clk) begin
    if(rst) begin
        state_current <= 0;
    end
    else begin
        state_current <= state_next;
    end
end
end
```

```

always@(*) begin
    state_next = state_current;
    addr = 0;
    we = 0;
    din = 0;
    case(state_current)
        0: begin
            addr = 0;
            we = 1;
            din = 8'b01100011;
            state_next = 1;
        end
    endcase
end

assign sseg = dout;
assign anode = 4'b0000;

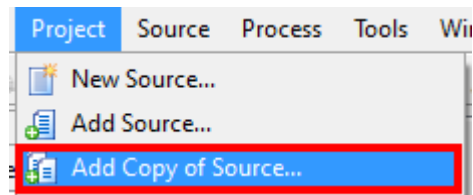
slowdown_unit inst_1(.clk(clk), .rst(rst), .enable(enable));

character_ram inst_character_ram (
    .clka(clk), // input clka
    .wea(we), // input [0 : 0] wea
    .addra(addr), // input [2 : 0] addra
    .dina(din), // input [7 : 0] dina
    .douta(dout) // output [7 : 0] douta
);

endmodule

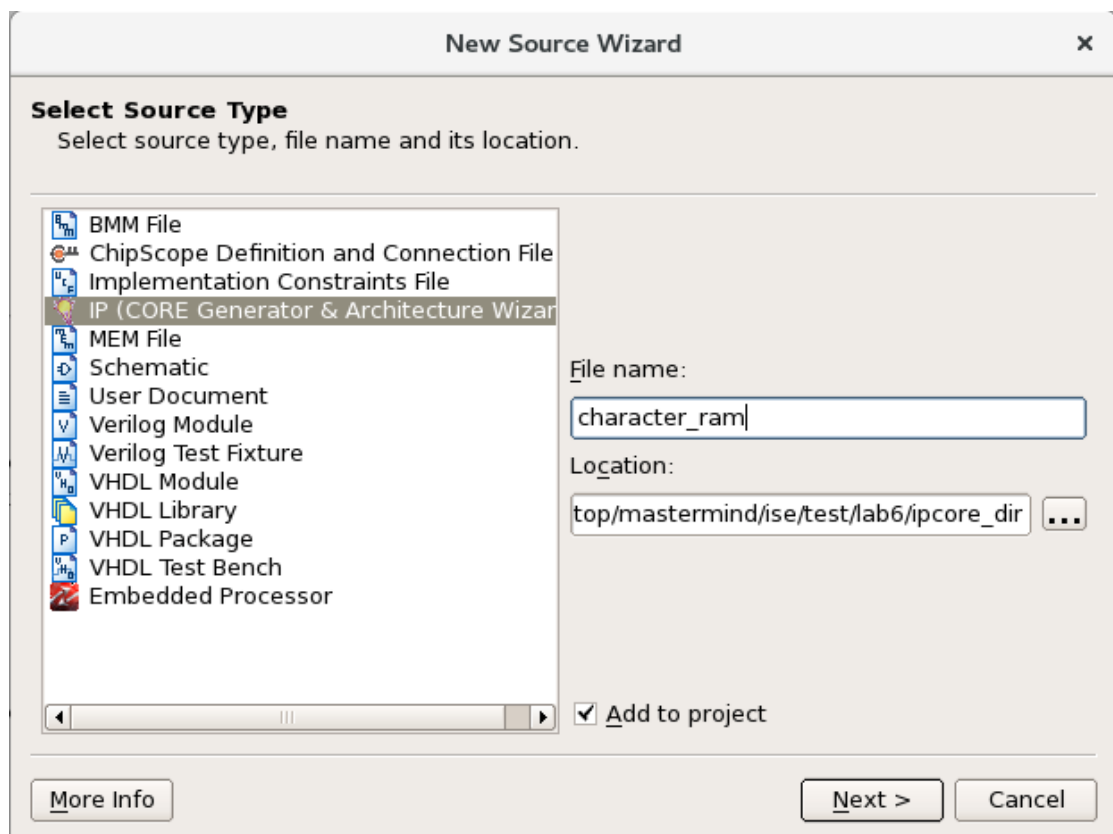
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6. Download **slowdown_unit** module from COADSYS as **.v** files and add them into the design.
 - a. Click on **Add Copy of Source...** under Project menu.

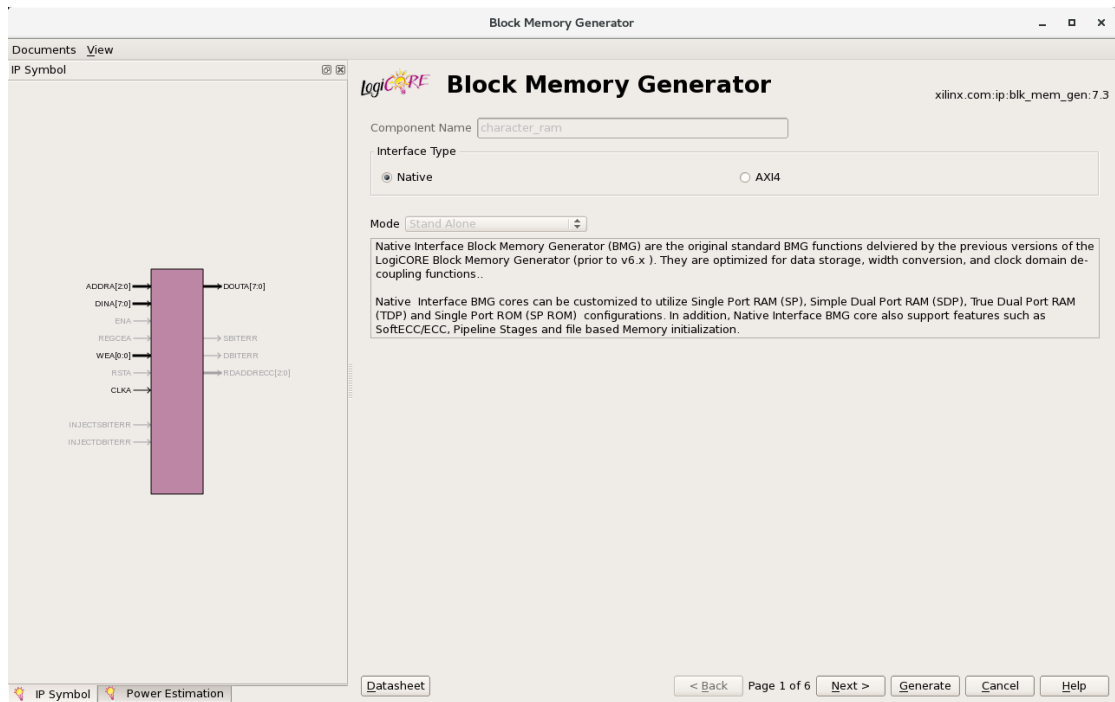


- b. Select the downloaded Verilog files and click on Open and then click on OK.
7. Create a new source file to describe the character_rom design.
 - a. Click on **New Source...** under Project menu.

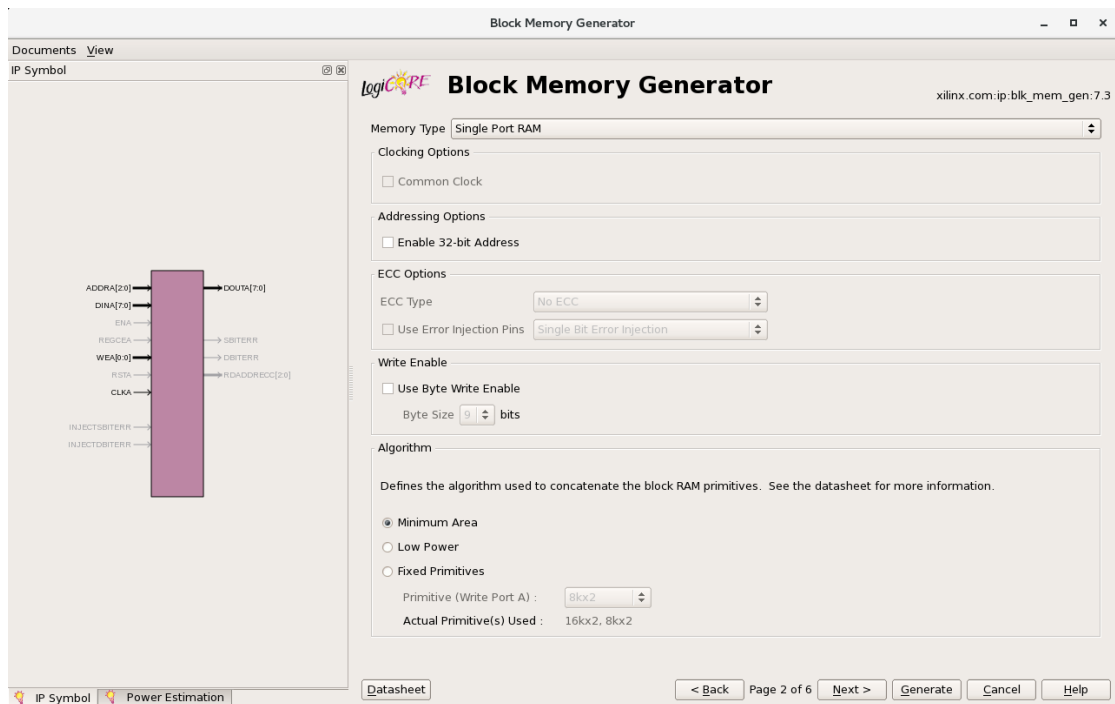
- b. Select **IP (CORE Generator & Architecture Wizard)** and set File name as **character_ram** in Select Source Type window and then click on Next.



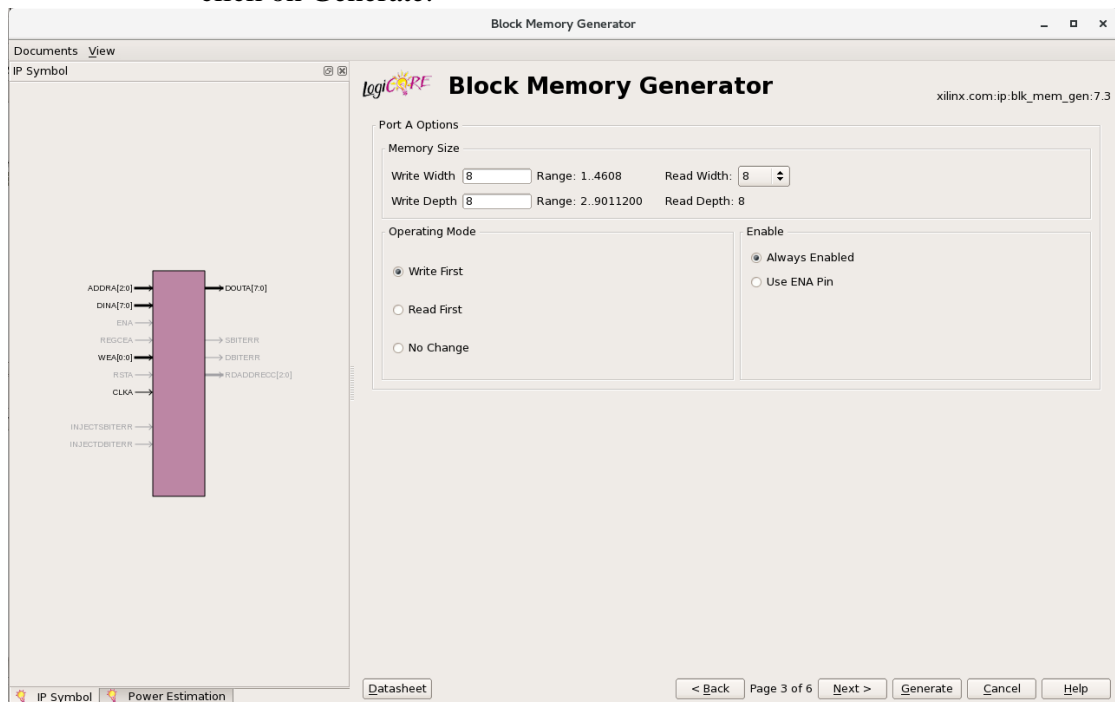
- c. Select **Block Memory Generator** under **RAMs & ROMs** of **Memories & Storage Elements**. Click on Next and then Finish.
 - d. Skip the first page by clicking on Next.



- e. Select **Single Port RAM** as Memory Type on the second page and click on Next.



- f. Set **Write Width** as **8** and **Write Depth** as **8** on the third page and then click on Generate.

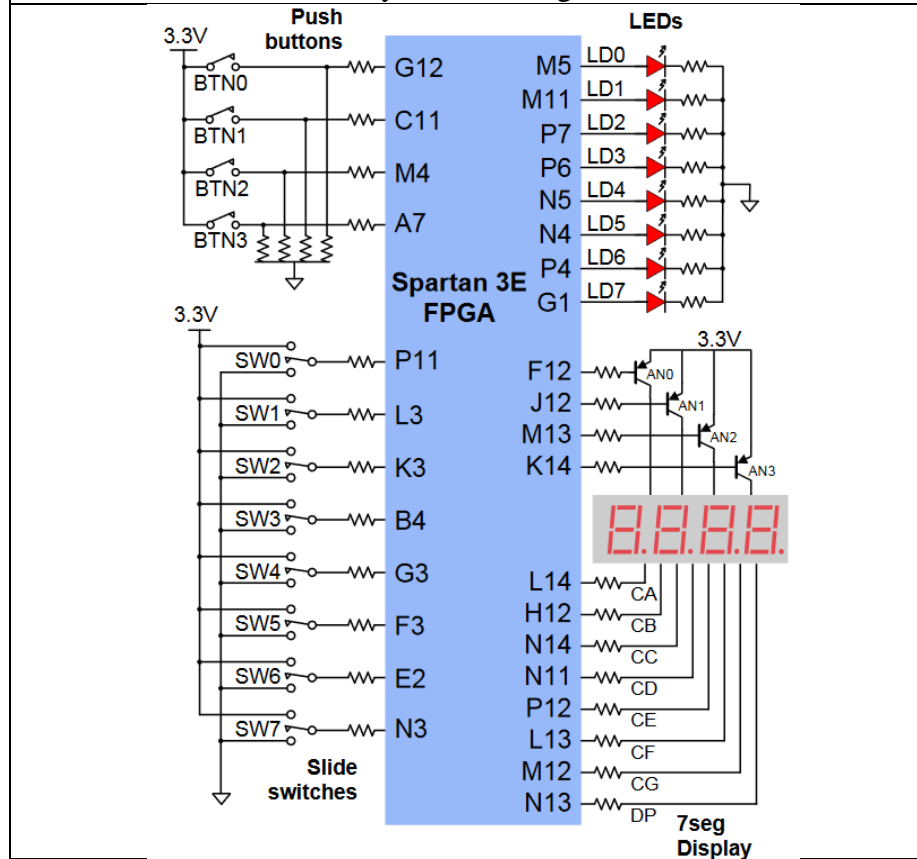


8. Add the following clock constraint to the **top.ucf** file and use the below figures to describe the user constraints of your top design.

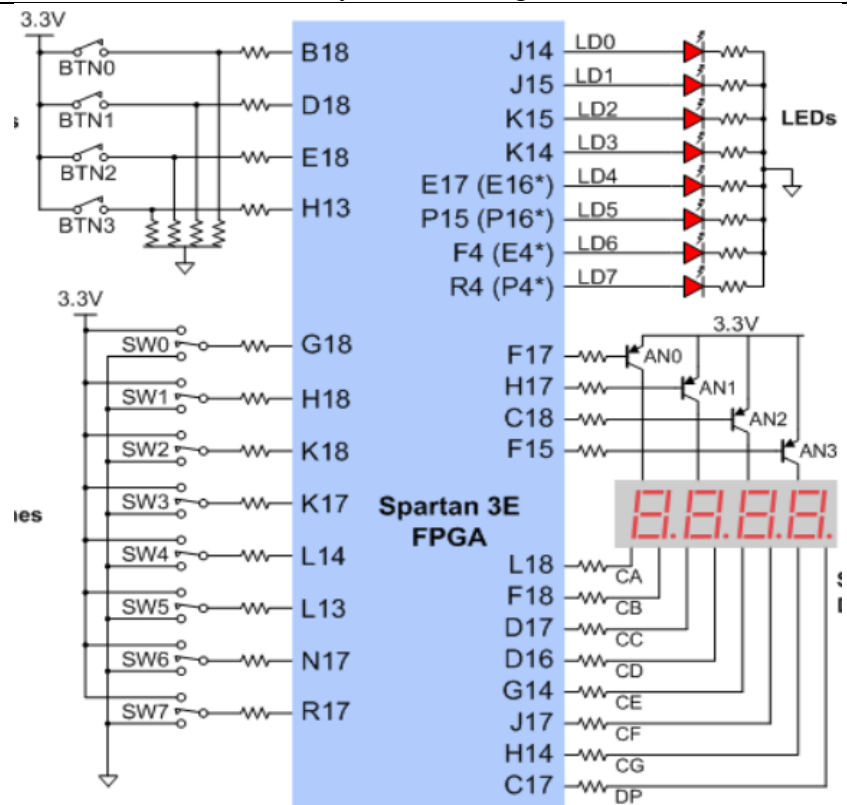
NET "clk" LOC = "B8"; # **(FOR BASYS2 AND NEXYS2)**

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Basys2 Circuit Figure

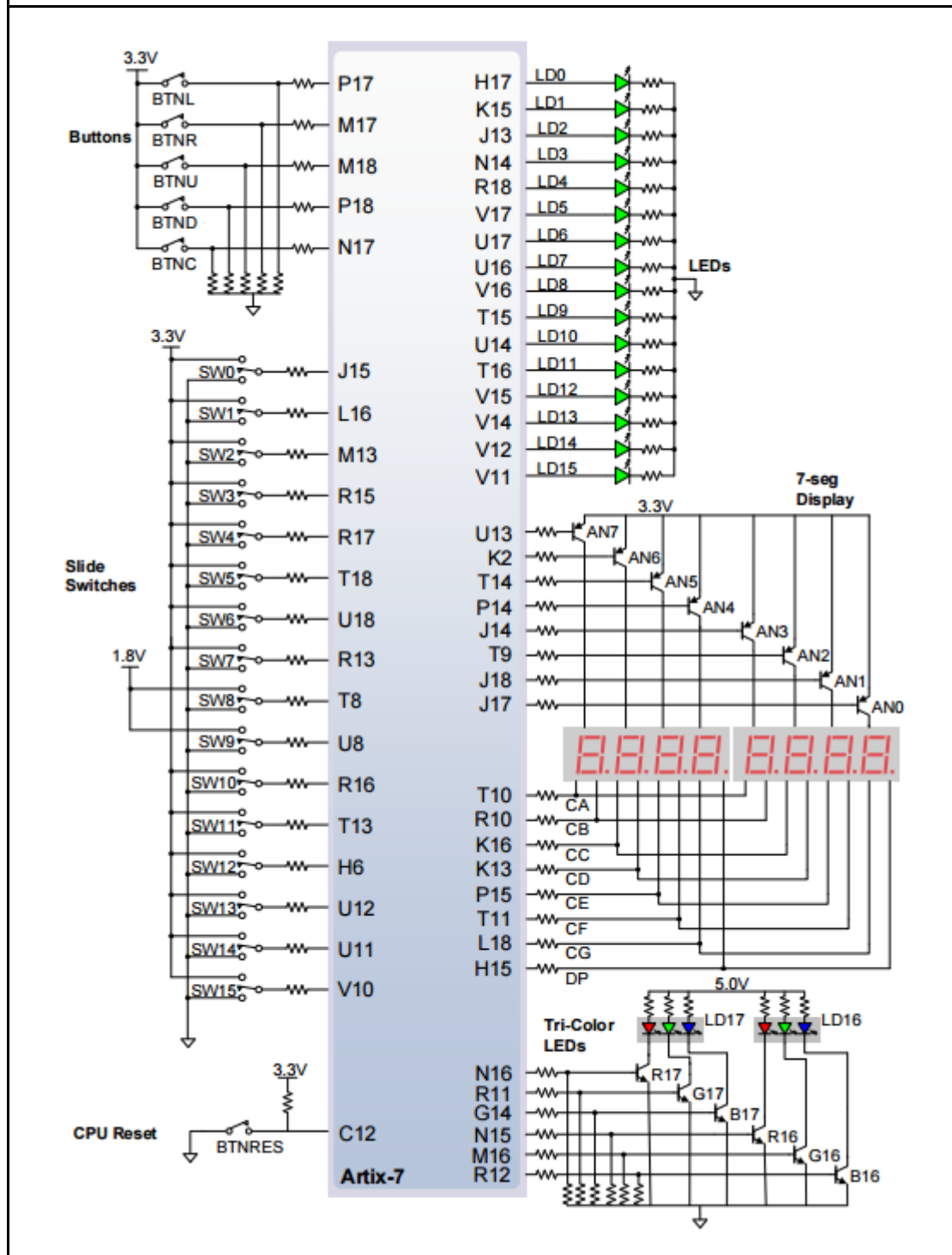


Nexys2 Circuit Figure



* pin numbers for -1200 die

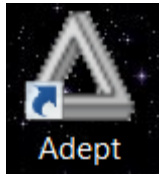
Nexys4 Circuit Figure



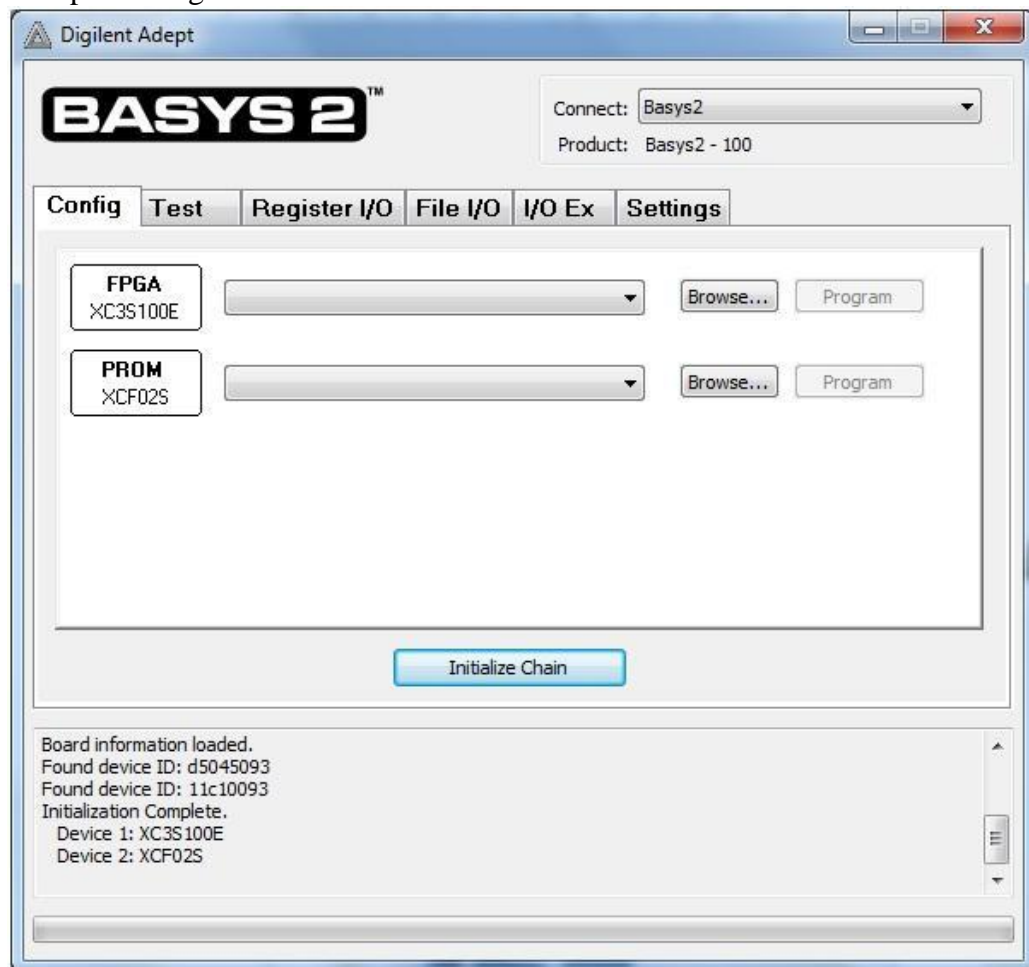
9. While on **Implementation** view, click on **Implementation** to start implementing the design.
10. After **Implementation** is completed click on **Generate Programming File** to

generate “.bit” file.

11. After connecting the FPGA board to the computer and it is powered on, invoke Digilent Adept.



12. After invoking Adept Select “top.bit” from the project folder using browse and then press Program button.



13. After Program is successfully loaded to the FPGA board, check whether your design works properly.

CHARACTER MAP of character_rom module			
ADDRESS		DATA	
0		0	
1		1	
2		2	
3		3	
4		4	
5		5	
6		6	
7		7	
8		8	
9		9	
10		A	
11		b	
12		C	
13		d	
14		E	
ADDRESS		DATA	
15		F	
16		g	
17		h	
18		i	
19		j	
20		L	
21		n	
22		o	
23		P	
24		r	
25		S	
26		t	
27		u	
28		y	
29		Z	