

ECE 4525/5525 DIGITAL DESIGN
FALL 2025

Homework Assignment #5

Total: 90 pts.

Due 11:30am, Friday, October 24, 2025

Download the Data Sheets of the **SN74ALS169B Synchronous 4-Bit Up/Down Binary Counter** from Texas Instruments' Web site. Use the current **AMD/Xilinx Vivado tools to design, simulate and compile** a **functionally equivalent** circuit on your **Xilinx Artix-7 FPGA** chip. However, downloading the .bit file to your Nexys A7 Board is **NOT** required.

Tasks:

- a) Turn in an electronic copy of the **.vhd** file for your design. (40 pts.)
- b) **Map** your design to the FPGA chip specified above by running the **Implement** step. **Add a customized version of the Nexys A7.xdc file** to your project files such that the **CLK input** is assigned to the **CLK100MHZ** on-board clock, **all other inputs should be assigned to on-board Switches** and **all outputs should be routed to on-board LEDs**, respectively. **You should do the actual assignments.**
Turn in an **electronic copy of your .xdc file** and **only the top page of the Project Summary Report.** (20 pts.)
- c) Develop a **script (.tcl file)** to verify the correct operation of your circuit. Your .tcl file should implement the **time diagram published on Page 4 of the Data Sheets.** Run the **post-route simulations.**
Turn in an electronic copy of your **.tcl** file along with an electronic copy of the **simulation waveforms.** **Comment on** the simulation results for full credit. (30 pts.)

Fall back position: turn in electronic copies of your **.vhd**, **.xdc** and **.tcl** files along with comments for partial credit if you couldn't compile your design due to some fatal error.

Electronic submission: submit your single **.pdf** file through the **appropriate Dropbox in eLearning.**

Bonus Homework Assignment #5

Total: 40 pts.

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Download the **.bit** file to your Nexys A7 Board and prototype your circuit. **Create a narrated, short video clip (.mp4 file, up to 4mins)** to illustrate that your circuit works. Submit the .mp4 file through the **appropriate Dropbox in eLearning.**