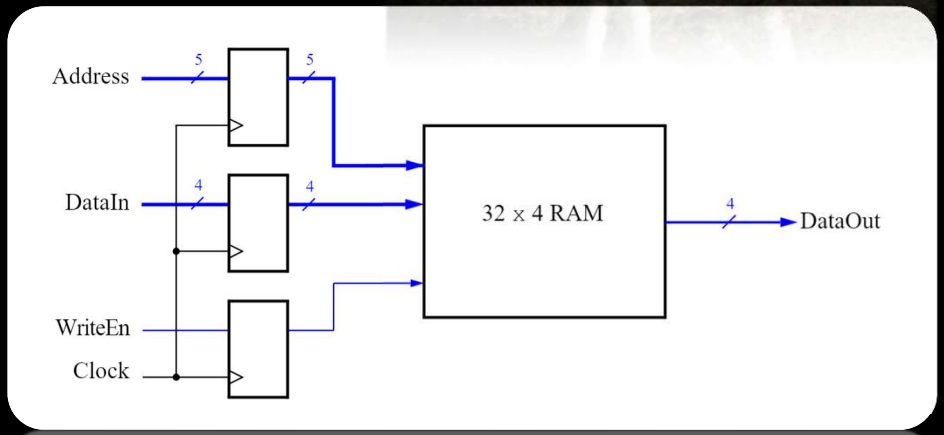
Lab 7 Preparation

Lab 7 Components

- Part I: Create a memory unit
- Part II: Interface with the RGB Video
- Part III: RGB Video animation (bonus)

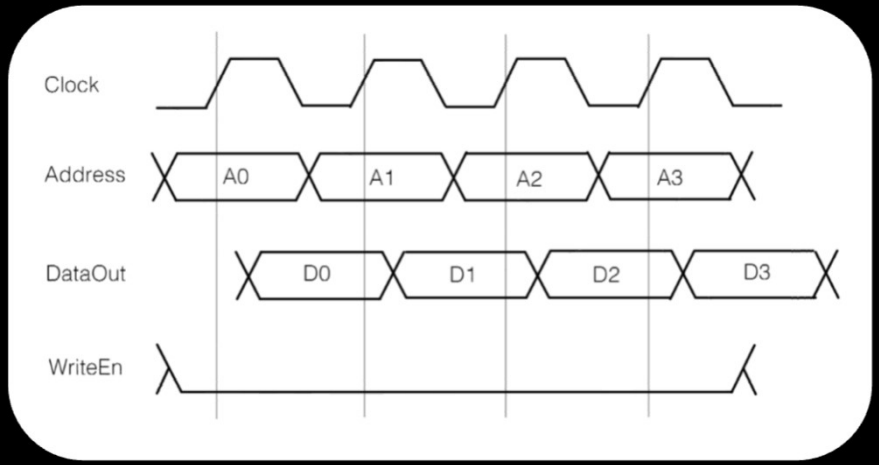
Part I: Memory Unit

- Creating a mini-RAM unit.
- Make use of the built-in RAM
  - Follow lab instructions to create a 4-bit RAM unit with 32 words.
  - Fill the RAM with values `0`-`F`.
- Once completed, connect this RAM to the HEX display.

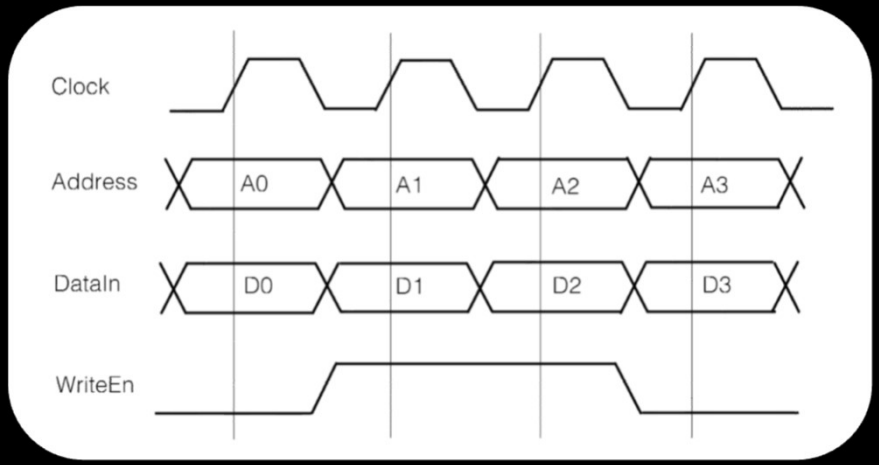


Part I: Read & Write Timing

- Read:
  - Note slight delay after clock signal, before data appears.

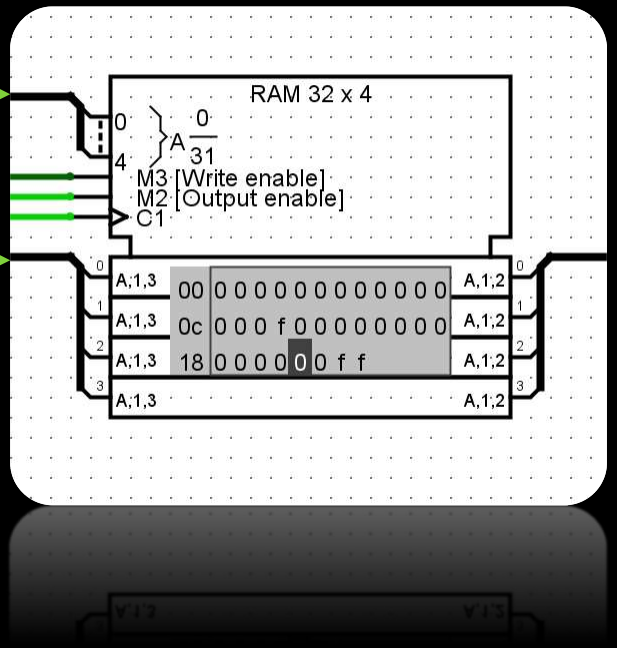


- Write:
  - Note that only `D1` and `D2` are written (because of the `WriteEn` signal).

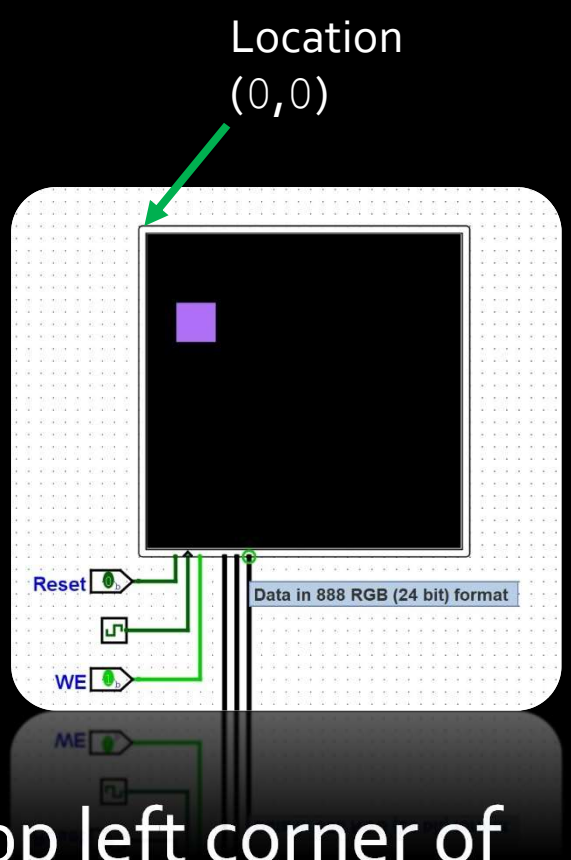


Part I: Filling memory

- Connect address register and data register to RAM.
- Fill all RAM locations with increasing values, starting at 0 at address 00000.
- Connect output to 7-segment display.



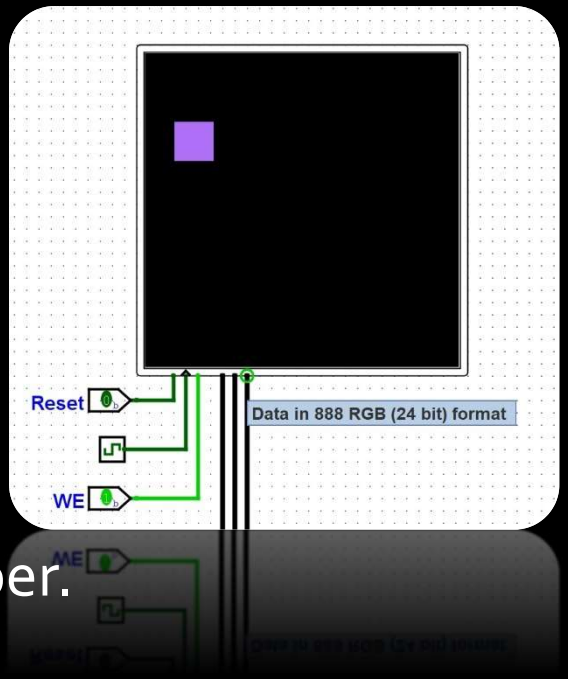
Part II: RGB Video



- The RGB Video component models the VGA display in the lab workstations.
- For this part, given input coordinates `X` and `Y`, draw a `16x16` box of coloured pixels, using `X` and `Y` as the top left corner of the box.

Part II: RGB Video

- The RGB Video component has 6 inputs:
  - Reset
  - Clock
  - Write Enable
    - Like lifting/dropping pen on paper.
  - X Coordinate
  - Y Coordinate
  - Data in 888 RGB (24 bit) format
    - Three sections of 8 bits, representing the RGB values for the pixel (see next slide for more detail)



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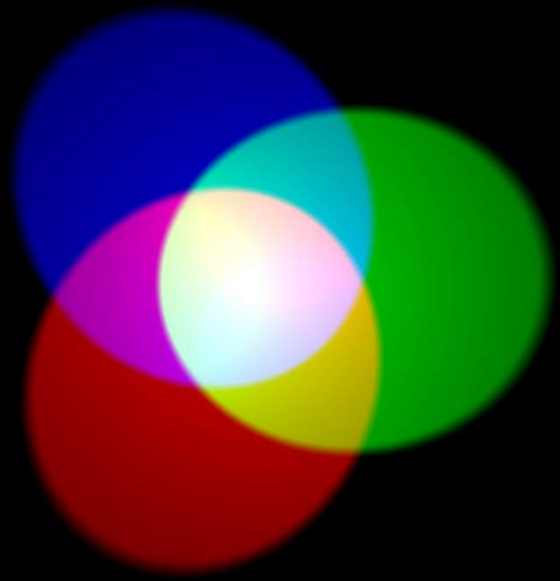


- Light colours are additive.
  - As opposed to paint, which is subtractive.
  - Light is made of red, green and blue components.
    - White light is the combination of all three.
- To create a colour, set the 8-bit values for the red, green and blue components and concatenate them into a 24-bit value.
  - Black = `0x000000`, White = `0xFFFFFF`

Part II: RGB Video

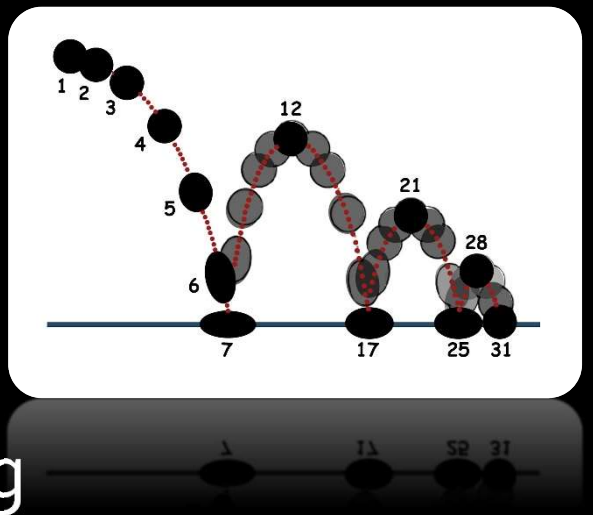
- Circuit components needed:
  - RGB Video
    - built into Logisim, check the handout for input details
  - Datapath
    - Takes in:
      - `X` and `Y` (through switches)
      - control signals (reset, clock, enable etc.)
  - FSM:
    - Controls datapath to load `X` and `Y` values, and iterate through the pixel locations that need to be updated (relative to `X` and `Y`).

Part II: RGB Video

- Hints:
  - Have tests to verify that each component works on its own.
    - Try using the RGB Video to draw a single pixel,
    - Make sure the datapath works on its own,
    - Verify the state transitions of the FSM.
  - Consider using counters to store the offsets from `X` and `Y` that need to be displayed.

- **It's Lab 7**. You have full freedom to implement this however you like ☺

Part III: Animation (bonus)



- Note: This part is optional, but can be done for bonus marks in the course.
- Animate a box by drawing it, then waiting, then drawing another at a different location, then waiting…
- Many projects will use animation in some form, so you should try this part out!
  - Also…bonus marks! ☺