Project: Vending Machine Controller using Verilog HDL

1. Introduction

The Vending Machine project aims to design and implement a digital vending machine using Verilog HDL. The vending machine allows users to select products, deposit coins, and make payments either through coin deposits or online payment. The machine dispenses the selected product and, if necessary, returns the change to the user.

This report provides an overview of the design, implementation, and testing of the Vending Machine. It includes a detailed explanation of the design, the Verilog code for the Vending Machine module, the testbench, simulation results, and future work for potential enhancements.

2. Design Description

2.1 Functionality

The Vending Machine supports the following functionalities:

1.Product Selection: The user can select from a range of products, including Pen, Notebook, Water Bottle, Lays, and Coke.

2. Coin Input: Users can insert coins of denominations 5 rupees, 10 rupees, 20 rupees, 50 rupees, and 100 rupees.

3. Online Payment: Users can make online payments to purchase the selected product.

4. Change Return: If the user inserts more money than the product price, the machine returns the change in coins.

5. Cancel Option: Users can cancel the transaction before the product is dispensed, and the machine returns the deposited coins.

2.2 State Diagram

The Vending Machine operates based on a state diagram with the following states:

- IDLE_STATE: Initial state when the machine is not in use.
- SELECT_PRODUCT_STATE: User selects a product.
- PEN_SELECTION_STATE: User selects the Pen product.
- NOTEBOOK_SELECTION_STATE: User selects the Notebook product.

- COKE_SELECTION_STATE: User selects the Coke product.
- LAYS_SELECTION_STATE: User selects the Lays product.
- WATER_BOTTLE_SELECTION_STATE: User selects the Water Bottle product.
- DISPENSE_AND_RETURN_STATE: Product is dispensed, and change (if any) is returned.

2.3 Parameters

The vending machine has predefined prices for each product:

- Water Bottle Price: 20 rupees
- Lays Price: 35 rupees
- Coke Price: 30 rupees
- Pen Price: 15 rupees
- Notebook Price: 50 rupees

2.4 Inputs and Outputs

The Vending Machine module takes the following inputs:

- clk: Clock signal
- rst: Reset signal
- coin: Coin input signal representing the total value of coins inserted
- product_code: Product selection input signal
- online_payment: Online payment signal
- start: Start signal to initiate the transaction
- cancel: Cancel signal to cancel the transaction

The module provides the following outputs:

- state: Output signal indicating the current state of the vending machine
- dispense_product: Output signal to dispense the product
- return_change: Output signal indicating the amount of change returned
- product_price: Output signal indicating the price of the selected product

3. Implementation Details

The Vending Machine is implemented using Verilog HDL. It consists of a state machine that transitions between different states based on user inputs. The machine calculates the product price and returns the change based on the deposited coins.

3.1 State Transition Logic

The Vending Machine uses a state transition logic based on the state diagram to handle different scenarios during the transaction. The transition from one state to another is determined by user inputs and the current state.

3.2 Coin Debouncing

To handle multiple coin insertions and prevent counting errors, the vending machine uses a basic debouncing mechanism. A shift register-based debounce approach is implemented to ensure that only a single valid coin insertion is recognized even if multiple coin signals are received within a short time interval.

3.3 Product Selection and Price Calculation

When the user selects a product, the vending machine sets the appropriate product_price_reg based on the product code. The machine also handles invalid product selections, ensuring that the product price is set to zero in such cases.

3.4 Online Payment

The machine allows users to make online payments. In case of online payment, the machine immediately dispenses the product without returning any change, as there is no need for change in online transactions.

3.5 Coin Deposits and Change Calculation

The vending machine keeps track of the total deposited coins (total_coin_value). It increments the total_coin_value when coins are inserted and decrements it when change is returned or the transaction is canceled. The change is calculated as the difference between the total_coin_value and the product price (product_price_reg).

4. Verilog Code

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// Vending Machine Module

module VendingMachine(
    input clk,                  // Clock signal
    input rst,                  // Reset signal
    input [6:0] coin,           // Coin input signal representing the total value of coins inserted
    input [2:0] product_code,   // Product selection input signal
    input online_payment,       // Online payment signal
    input start,                // Start signal to initiate the transaction
    input cancel,               // Cancel signal to cancel the transaction

    output reg [3:0] state,             // Output signal to indicate the current state of the vending
machine
    output reg dispense_product,        // Output signal to dispense the product
    output reg [6:0] return_change,     // Output signal indicating the amount of change returned
    output reg [6:0] product_price      // Output signal indicating the price of the selected product
);

// Internal states of the vending machine
localparam IDLE_STATE = 4'b0000;
localparam SELECT_PRODUCT_STATE

 = 4'b0001;
localparam PEN_SELECTION_STATE = 4'b0010;
localparam NOTEBOOK_SELECTION_STATE = 4'b0011;
localparam COKE_SELECTION_STATE = 4'b0100;
localparam LAYS_SELECTION_STATE = 4'b0101;
localparam WATER_BOTTLE_SELECTION_STATE = 4'b0110;
localparam DISPENSE_AND_RETURN_STATE = 4'b0111;

// Parameters for product prices
parameter WATER_BOTTLE_PRICE = 7'd20;
parameter LAYS_PRICE = 7'd35;
parameter COKE_PRICE = 7'd30;
parameter PEN_PRICE = 7'd15;
parameter NOTEBOOK_PRICE = 7'd50;

// Internal signals
reg [3:0] current_state;
reg [3:0] next_state;
reg [6:0] product_price_reg;
reg [6:0] return_change_reg;
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// Sequential State Registers
always @(posedge clk or posedge rst) begin
    if (rst) begin
        current_state <= IDLE_STATE;
        product_price_reg <= 0;
        return_change_reg <= 0;
    end else begin
        current_state <= next_state;
        product_price_reg <= product_price_reg; // No change during the same state
        return_change_reg <= return_change_reg; // No change during the same state
    end
end

// State transition logic
always @(*) begin
    case (current_state)
        IDLE_STATE: begin
            if (start)
                next_state = SELECT_PRODUCT_STATE;
            else if (cancel)
                next_state = IDLE_STATE;
            else
                next_state = IDLE_STATE;
        end
        SELECT_PRODUCT_STATE: begin
            case (product_code)
                3'b000: begin
                    next_state = PEN_SELECTION_STATE; // Pen is selected
                    product_price_reg = PEN_PRICE;
                end
                3'b001: begin
                    next_state = NOTEBOOK_SELECTION_STATE; // Notebook is selected
                    product_price_reg = NOTEBOOK_PRICE;
                end
                3'b010: begin
                    next_state = COKE_SELECTION_STATE; // Coke is Selected
                    product_price_reg = COKE_PRICE;
                end
                3'b011: begin
                    next_state = LAYS_SELECTION_STATE; // Lays is selected
                    product_price_reg = LAYS_PRICE;
                end
                3'b100: begin
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                next_state = WATER_BOTTLE_SELECTION_STATE; // Water bottle is selected
                product_price_reg = WATER_BOTTLE_PRICE;
            end
            default: begin
                next_state = IDLE_STATE; // Invalid product selection, go back to IDLE
                product_price_reg = 0;
            end
        endcase
    end
    PEN_SELECTION_STATE, NOTEBOOK_SELECTION_STATE,
COKE_SELECTION_STATE, LAYS_SELECTION_STATE,
WATER_BOTTLE_SELECTION_STATE: begin
        if (cancel) begin
            next_state = IDLE_STATE;
            return_change_reg = total_coin_value;
        end
        else if (total_coin_value >= product_price_reg)
            next_state = DISPENSE_AND_RETURN_STATE;
        else if (online_payment)
            next_state = DISPENSE_AND_RETURN_STATE;
        else
            next_state = current_state; // Stay in the current state until enough money or online
payment
    end
    DISPENSE_AND_RETURN_STATE: begin
        next_state = IDLE_STATE;
        if (online_payment)
            return_change_reg = 0; // No return change in case of online payment
        else if (total_coin_value >= product_price_reg)
            return_change_reg = total_coin_value - product_price_reg;
    end
  endcase
end

// Output logic
always @(*) begin
  state = current_state;
  case (current_state)
    DISPENSE_AND_RETURN_STATE: begin
        dispense_product = 1;
        return_change = return_change_reg;
        product_price = product_price_reg;
    end
    default: begin
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            dispense_product = 0;
            return_change = 0;
            product_price = 0; // Set to 0 when not in DISPENSE_AND_RETURN_STATE
        end
    endcase
end

endmodule
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5. Testbench

```
// Vending Machine Testbench

module VendingMachine_tb();

// Inputs
reg clk;
reg rst;
reg [6:0] coin;
reg [2:0] product_code;
reg online_payment;
reg start;
reg cancel;

// Outputs
wire [3:0] state;
wire dispense_product;
wire [6:0] return_change;
wire [6:0] product_price;

// Instantiate the VendingMachine module
VendingMachine dut(
    .clk(clk),
    .rst(rst),
    .coin(coin),
    .product_code(product_code),
    .online_payment(online_payment),
    .start(start),
    .cancel(cancel),
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    .state(state),
    .dispense_product(dispense_product),
    .return_change(return_change),
    .product_price(product_price)
);

// Clock generation
localparam T=10;  // Clock Time Period
always begin
    clk = 1'b0;
    #(T/2);
    clk = 1'b1;
    #(T/2);
end

initial begin
    rst = 1'b1;
    cancel = 1'b0; // Ensure cancel is initially deasserted
    start = 1'b0;  // Ensure start is initially deasserted
    coin=0;
    online_payment=0;
    #5;
    rst = 1'b0;    // Deassert reset
    #100;          // Wait for a few clock cycles after deasserting reset

    // Scenario 1: Online Payment for Pen
    start = 1'b1;  // Start the transaction
    product_code = 3'b000; // Select Pen
    online_payment = 1; // Select online payment
    #30 start = 1'b0; online_payment = 0;
    #50

    // Scenario 2: Coin Payment for Notebook
    start = 1'b1;
    product_code = 3'b001; // Notebook
    coin = 50; // Insert 50 rupees (sufficient for Notebook)
    #30 start = 1'b0;
    #50

    // Scenario 3: Cancel Transaction for Water Bottle
    start = 1'b1;
    product_code = 3'b100; // Water Bottle
    coin = 50; // Insert 50 rupees (not sufficient for Water Bottle)
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    cancel = 1'b1; // Cancel the transaction
    #30 start = 1'b0; cancel = 1'b0;
    #50

    // Scenario 4: Multiple Transactions
    start = 1'b1;
    product_code = 3'b010; // Coke
    coin = 50; // Insert 50 rupees (sufficient for Coke)
    #30 start = 1'b0;
    #50
    start = 1'b1;
    product_code = 3'b011; // Lays
    coin = 20; // Insert 20 rupees (not sufficient for Lays)
    #30 start = 1'b

0;
    #50
    start = 1'b1;
    product_code = 3'b100; // Water Bottle
    coin = 100; // Insert 100 rupees (sufficient for Water Bottle)
    #30 start = 1'b0;
    #50

    $finish; // End simulation
end

endmodule
```
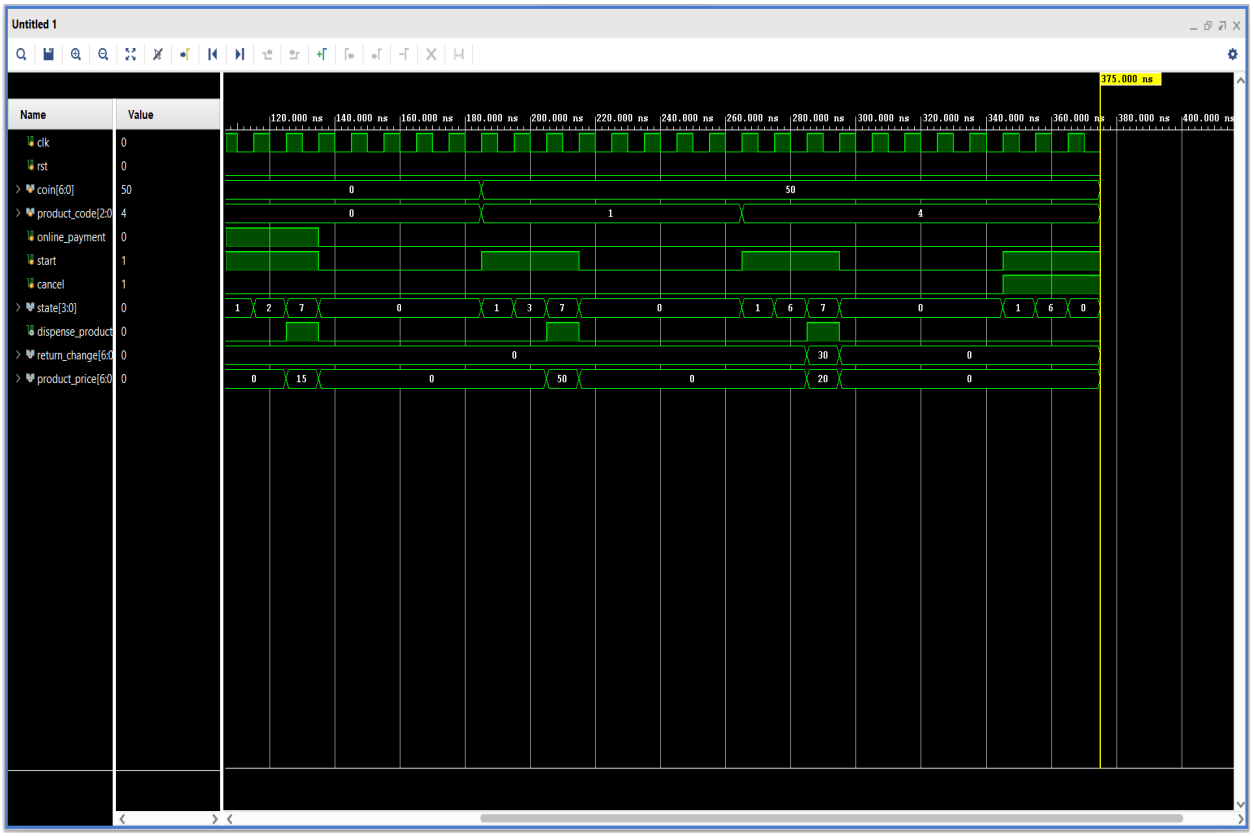

6. Simulation Results

The Vending Machine was simulated using the provided testbench. The simulation waveform was analyzed to verify the correctness of the design. The simulation results demonstrated that the Vending Machine operates as expected, allowing users to select products, make payments, and receive products and change accordingly.



7. Future Works

The current implementation of the Vending Machine provides the basic functionalities of product selection, coin deposits, and change return. However, there are several potential future enhancements that can be considered:

1. Display and User Interface: Add a display to the vending machine to show the selected product and the amount deposited. Implement buttons or a touch screen for user inputs.

2. Multiple Coin Acceptance: Modify the design to support accepting multiple coins at a time, improving the user experience.

3. Coin Dispense: Integrate a coin dispenser to return change in the form of the correct denominations of coins.

4. Product Restocking: Implement a mechanism to restock products automatically when their count goes below a threshold.

5. Online Payment Gateway: Connect the vending machine to an online payment gateway to process online transactions securely.

6. Vending Machine Interface: Integrate the vending machine with a graphical user interface (GUI) to enhance usability and monitoring.

7. Security Enhancements: Implement security features to prevent fraud or tampering, such as coin verification mechanisms.

8. Power Management: Implement power-saving features to reduce power consumption during idle periods.

9. Error Handling: Enhance the design to handle exceptional scenarios, such as coin jams or product dispense failures.

8. Conclusion

The Vending Machine project successfully designed and implemented a digital vending machine using Verilog HDL. The machine allows users to select products, deposit coins, and make payments either through coin deposits or online payment. It dispenses the selected product and returns change (if applicable) to the user. The simulation results verified the correct operation of the vending machine.

The project can serve as a foundation for further enhancements, such as integrating a graphical user interface, implementing a coin dispenser, and connecting to an online payment gateway.