Lab 6 - Design of a Simple Central Processing Unit Report

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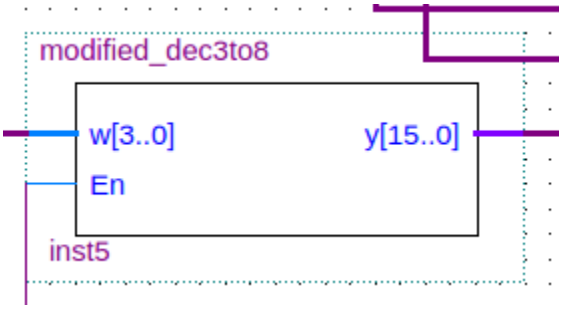
Introduction

This lab required several components to be created and integrated into the circuit for its 3 part problem set.The ASU is a component that completes operations based on several input conditions. Those input conditions are: A and B 8bit data sets, a clock, a reset, and an opcode input which determines the index for the operations. The output is the result of the calculations. The 4 to 16 decoder is a component that takes the last 4 digits of student number and outputs opcodes for the ASU to take as input. The latch component acts as a storage device for the inputs where they can be enabled and clocked to control the output to the ASU. The FSM (finite state machine) is a component that consists of states that it transitions between whenever it is clocked. It is used to control the behavior of a system. When all of these components are combined, a central processing unit is created where tasks can be performed based on given data and conditions.

Components

4 to 16 Decoder

The 4-16 Decoder takes 4 input values, and an enable signal to produce 16 unique values of output. In this application, the decoder takes the last 4 digits of my student number and outputs the signals as an opcode for the ASU. It acts as a converter from the student number digits to the interpretable opcodes for operation selection.



Truth Table

E	Inputs				Outputs														
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
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1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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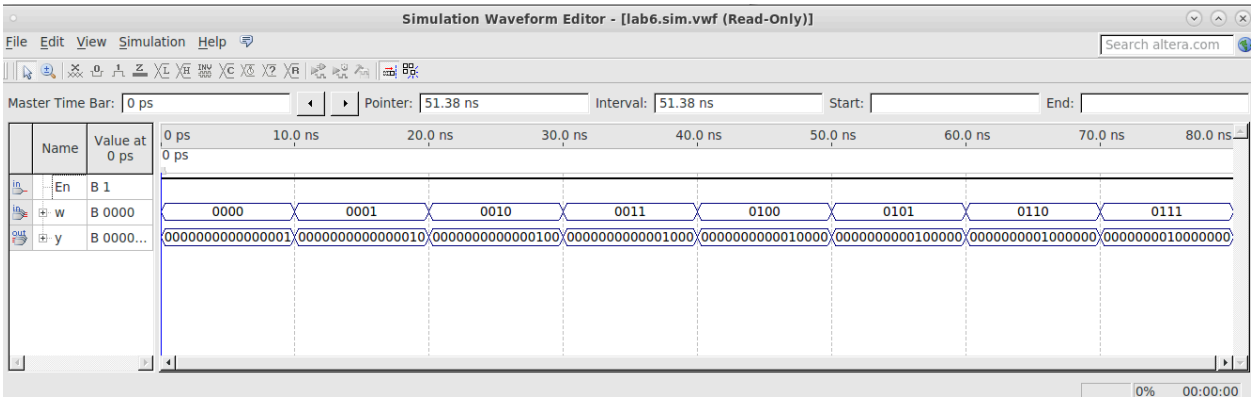
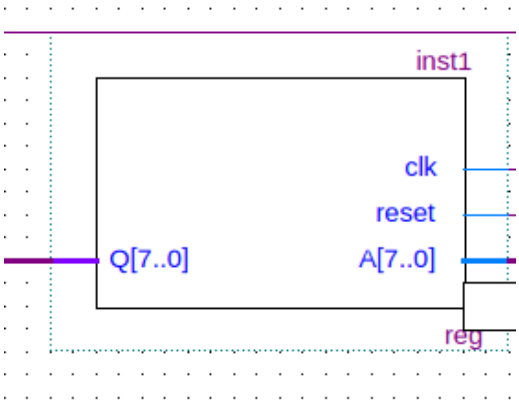


Latch

The purpose of the latch is to act as a storage element as it retains the data between clock cycles. Besides the main 8bit data input, the latch also has an input for clock and reset. The output is 0 if there is no clock event. If there is a clock event, it sends the input to the ASU. This application contains 2 latch components.



Truth Table

Enable	Clock	Input	Output	Desc.

0	X	X	00000000	Device not on.
1	-	D1D2D3…	00000000	Output 00000000 if no clock.
1	1	D1D2D3…	D1D2D3…	Output the input D1D2D3… if clock event.

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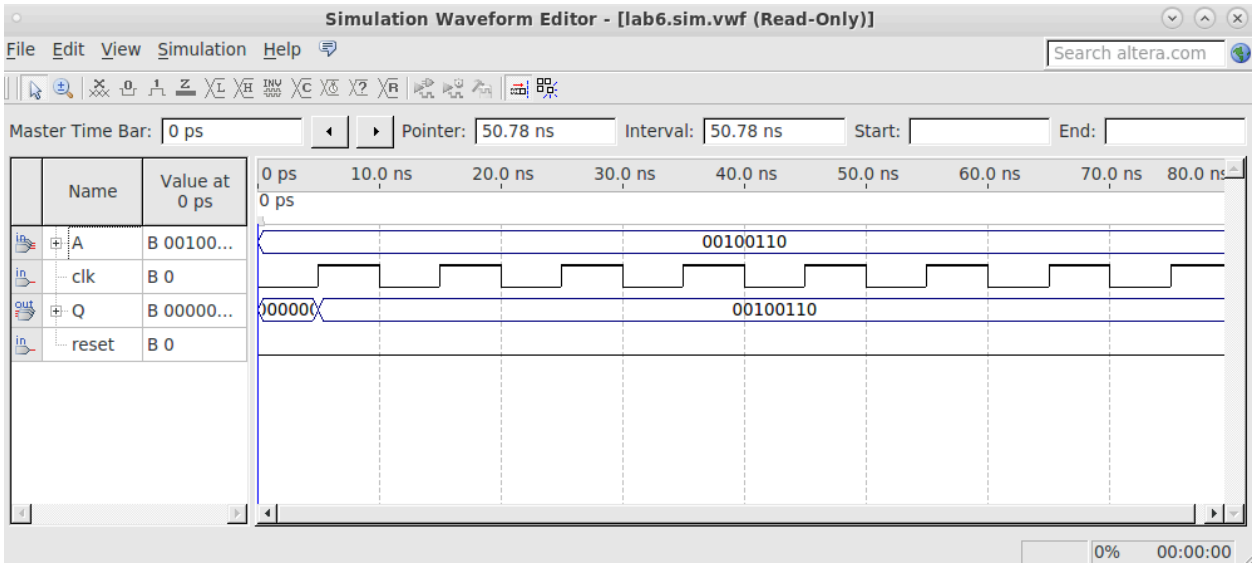
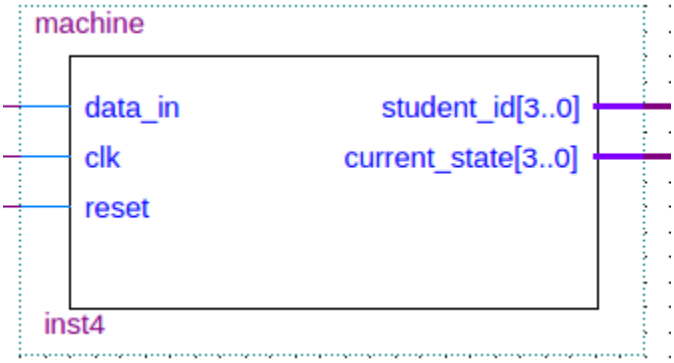


FSM

The FSM (Finite State Machine) is a component which consists of states and outputs based on those states which change when clocked. In this application, the inputs are the data_in, clock, and high active reset. The outputs are the student ID and the current state.



Truth Table (State table)

Present State	Next State		Output
	w = 0	w = 1	
S_0	S_0	S_1	0000

S_1	S_1	S_3	0001
S_3	S_3	S_5	0010
S_5	S_5	S_7	0100
S_7	S_7	S_2	0010
S_2	S_2	S_4	0110
S_4	S_4	S_6	0000
S_6	S_6	S_0	1000

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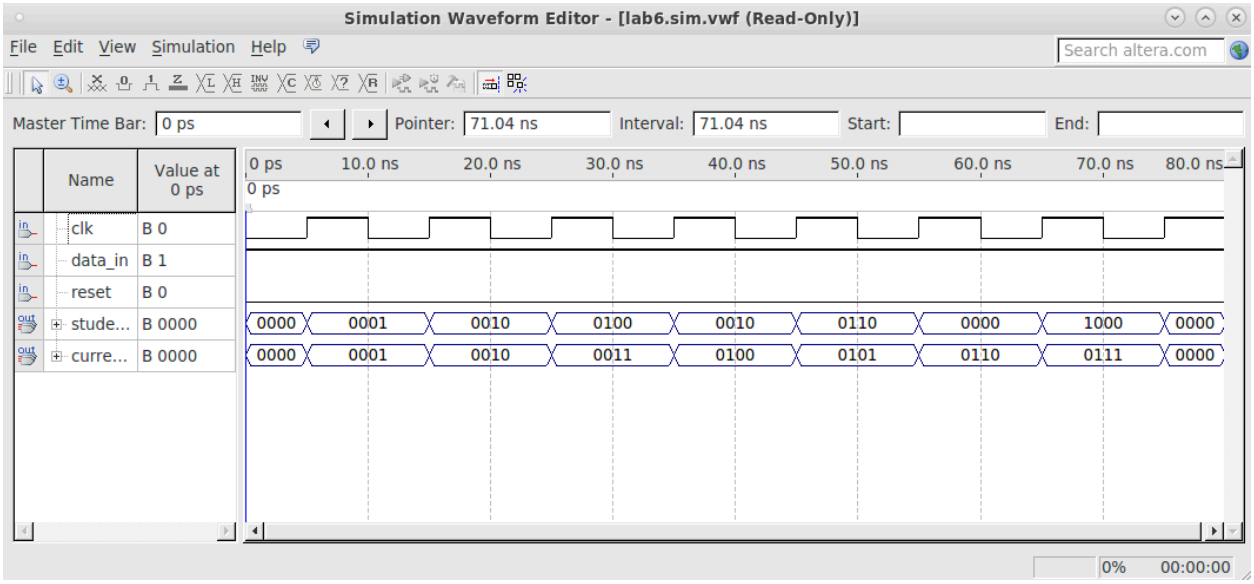


ALU 1

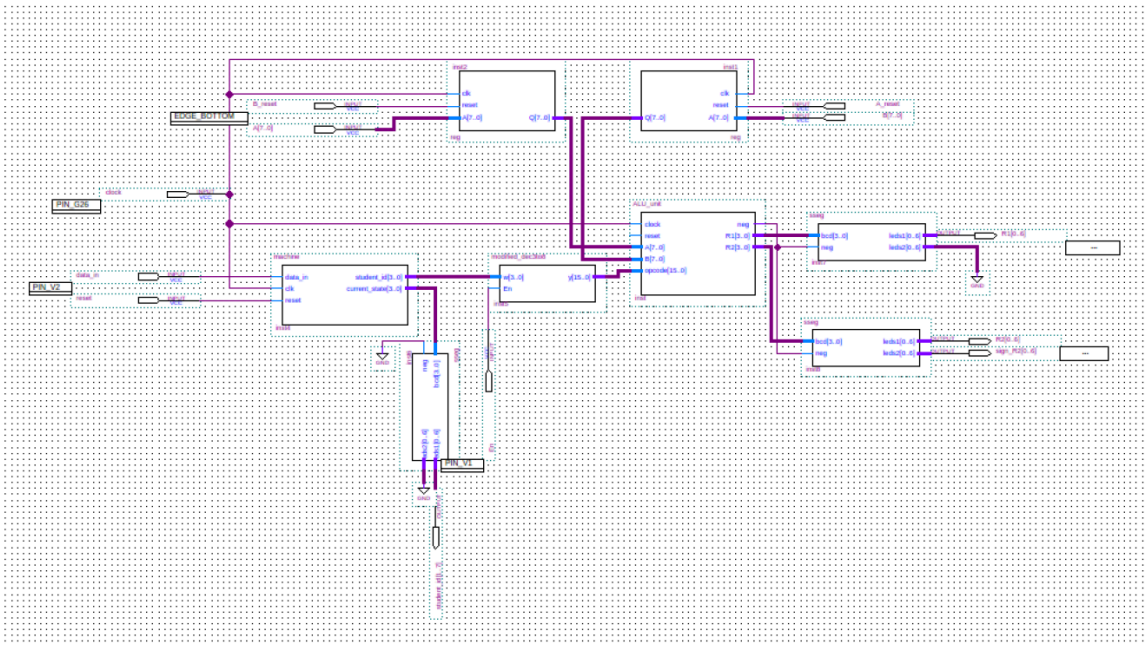
The purpose of this ALU to produce outputs based on given data and opcodes. The inputs are two 8bit data sets containing the last 4 digits of my student number (2608), the opcodes coming from the decoder, a clocker, and a low active reset. The opcodes determine which operations are performed within the ASU. The outputs are the results of these operations.

Opcode Table

Function #	Opcode	Function
1	00000001	sum(A,B)

2	00000010	dif(A,B)
3	00000100	Ā
4	00001000	(A•B)!
5	00010000	(A+B)!
6	00100000	A•B
7	01000000	A⊕B
8	10000000	A+B

ALU 1 Block Diagram



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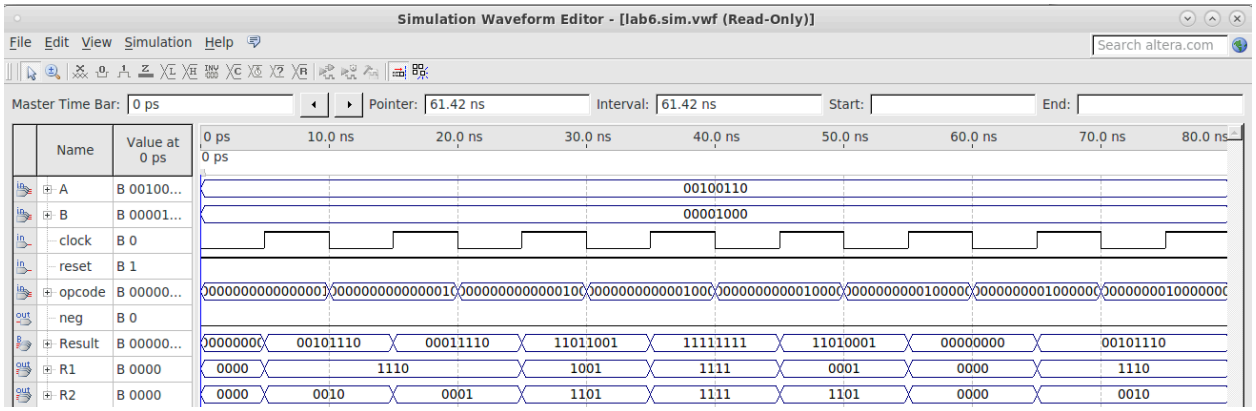


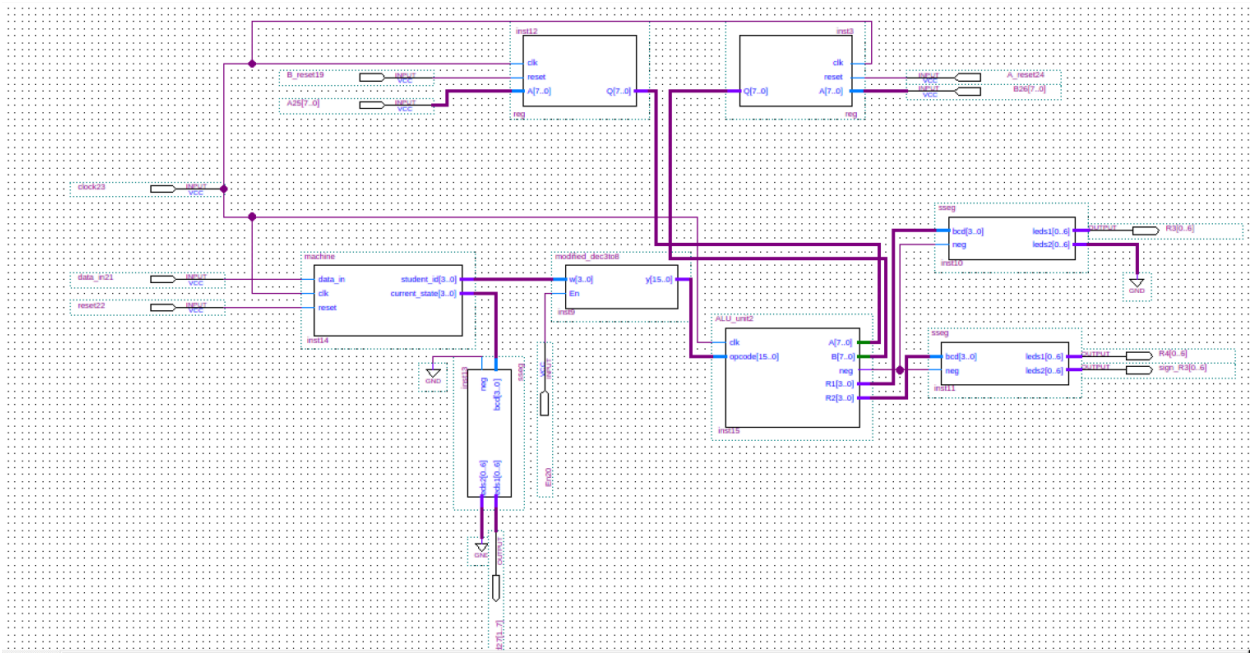
ALU 2

Like the previous ALU, the inputs are the two 8bit data sets for the last 4 digits of my student number, the opcodes, the clock, and the low active reset. Again, the opcodes determine the operations used. The results are output in separate 4bit sets as well as a separate ‘Result’. The difference here is that the opcodes point to different operations but the main idea is the same.

Opcode Table

Function #	Opcode	Function
1	00000001	Invert the bit-significance order of A
2	00000010	Shift A to left by 4 bits, input bit = 1 (SHL)
3	00000100	Invert upper four bits of B
4	00001000	Find the smaller value of A and B and produce the results (Min(A,B))
5	00010000	Calculate the summation of A and B and increase it by 4
6	00100000	Increment A by 3
7	01000000	Replace the even bits of A with even bits of B
8	10000000	Produce the result of XNORing A and B

ALU 2 Block Diagram



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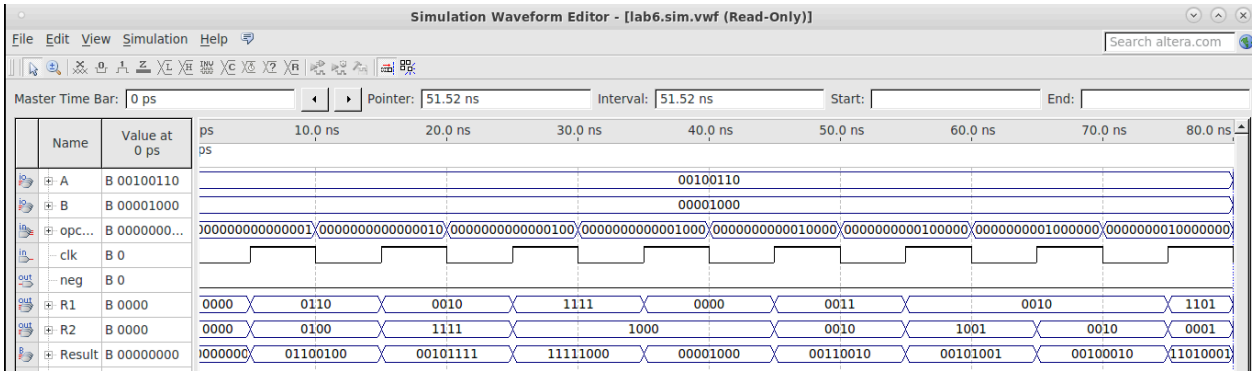

ALU 3

This ALU slightly differs from the others as it is based off ALU 1, but is modified to take 3 data inputs instead of 2. The student number pin has been added which takes input from the FSM. The reg values are compared with the student number and will change the display if one of the two digits of A equal to the ID signal value. The option output pin has also been implemented to reflect this.

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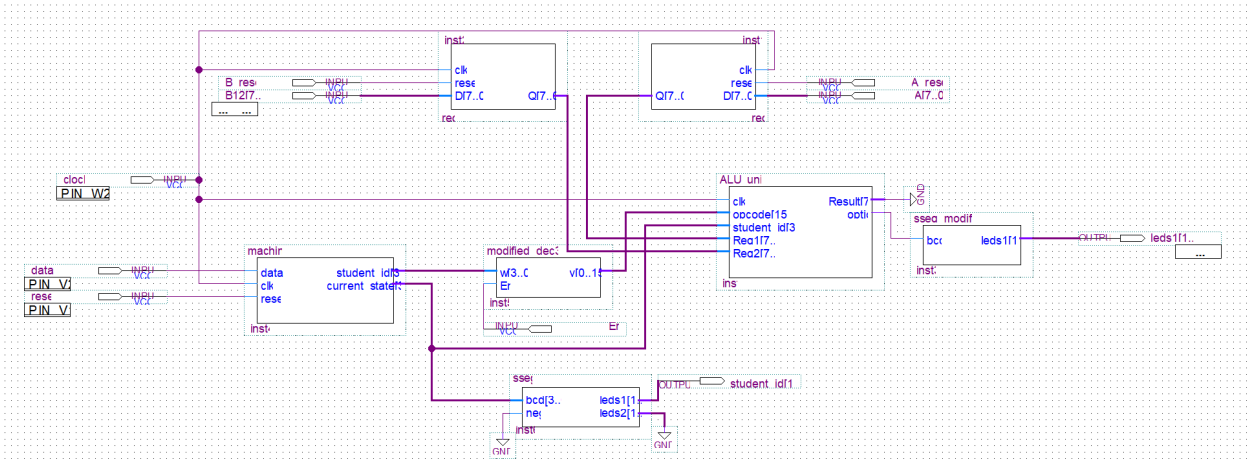

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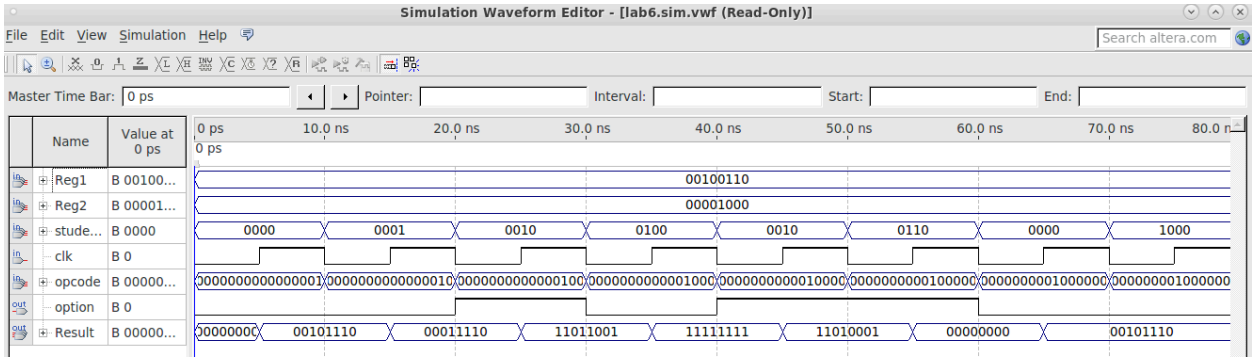

Conclusion

This lab explored many of the components and processes learned in previous labs. The 7-segment displays, registers, ASUs, decoders, and FSM had to be integrated and meshed together to create a functioning central processing unit (CPU). This lab also solidified the teachings from lectures and built-up experience working with Quartus II 13.0 and the VHDL programming language. This lab serves as a solid conclusion to learning real skills in the field concerning digital systems and FPGAs.

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