ESY-Lab WS15/16 Project

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1. General Description

Topic: "Musical Note Generator"

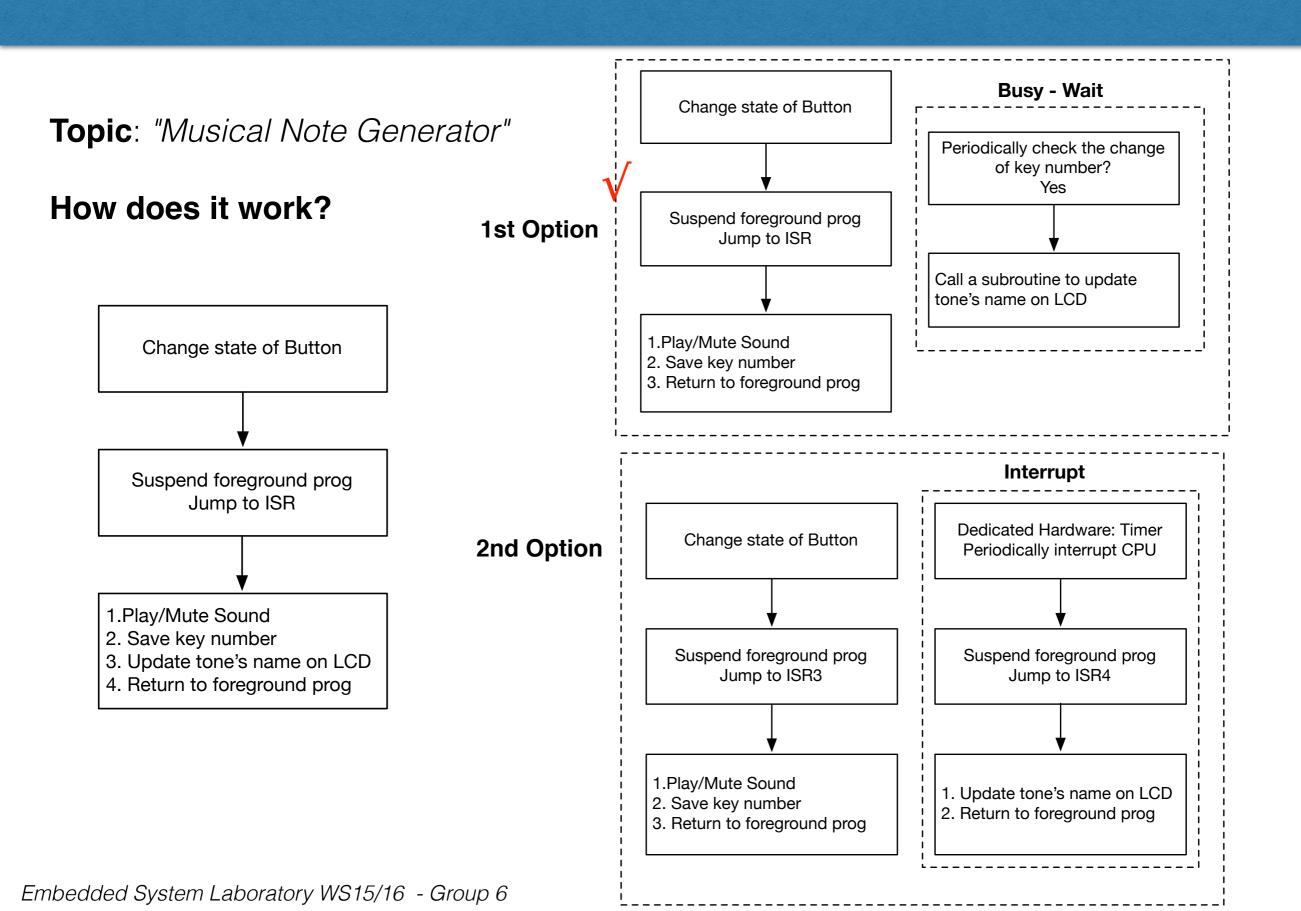
Development board: Xilinx Virtex5 LX50T FPGA

Platform: Linux OS

System requirements

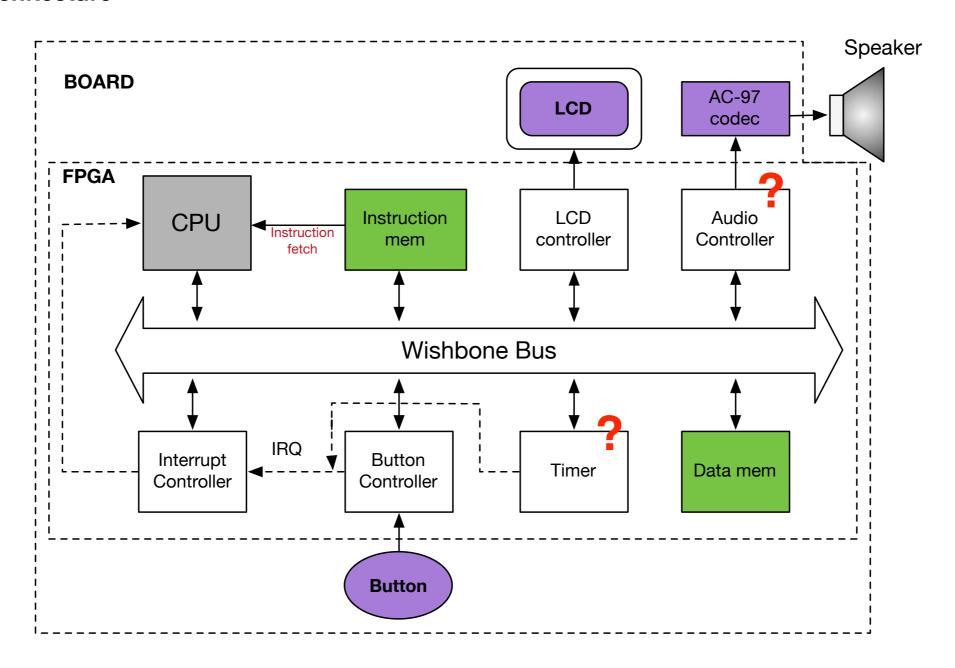
- **★** Functional
 - + Be able to display tone's name on LCD
 - + Change the key number using JOYSTICK (Up/ Down buttons)
 - + Generate piano notes (range 40 55)
 - Playing sound when pressing the button
 - Muting sound when releasing
- ★ Non-functional
 - Using square wave form to generate sound
 - Storing sample numbers of corresponding notes on ROM

1. General Description



2. Architecture

Harvard Architecture



2.1. Hardware Implementation2.1.1. Audio Controller

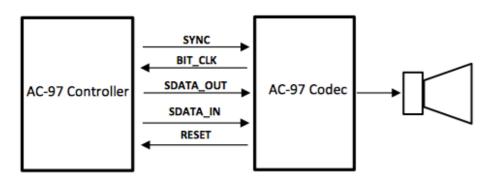
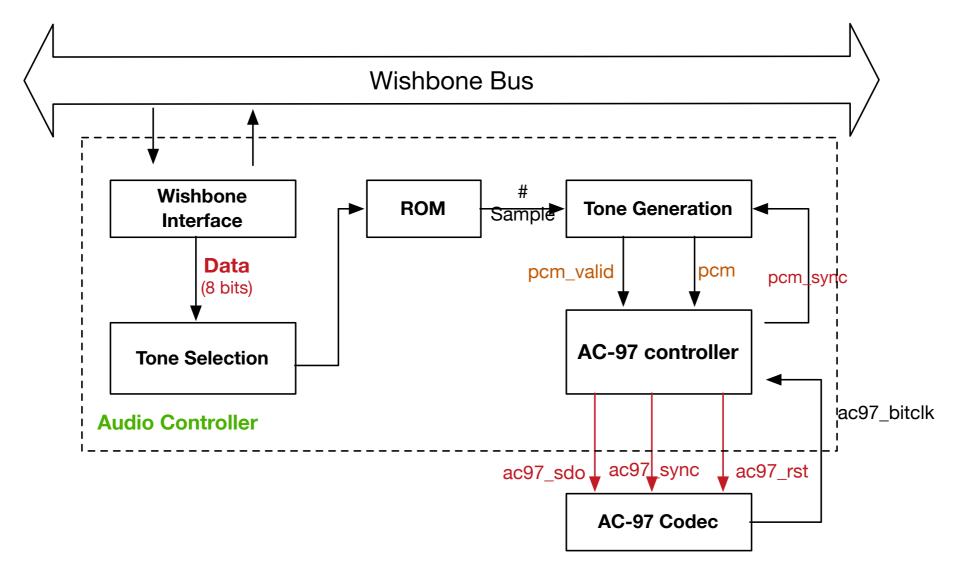
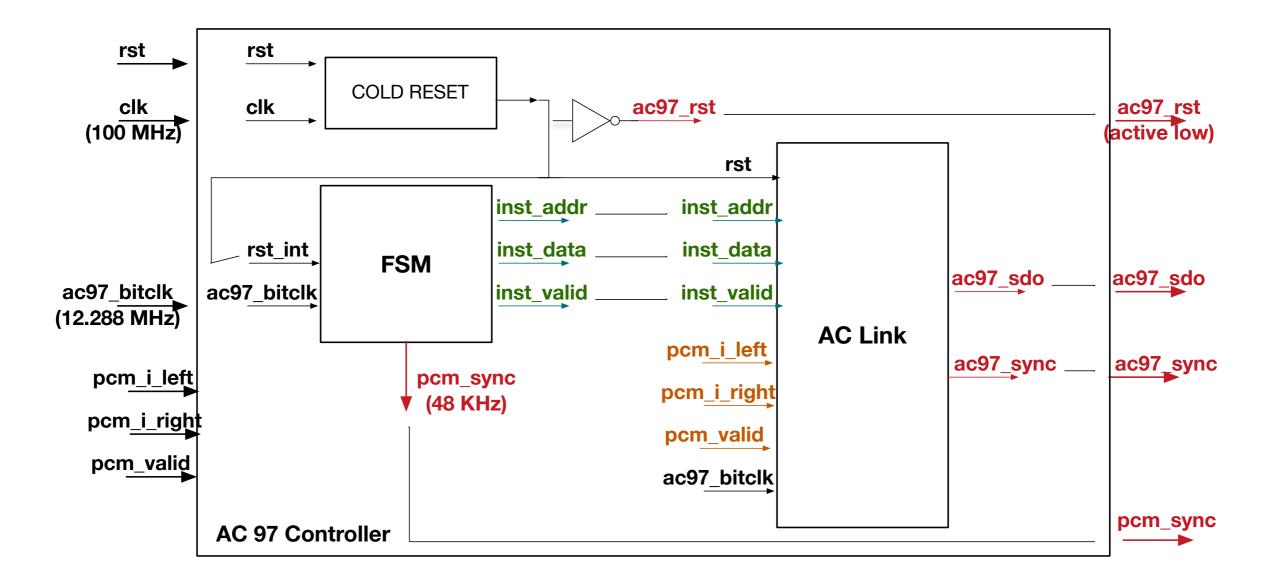


Fig. 1. AC-97



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AC 97 Controller



2.2. Software Implementation

Two approaches under consideration

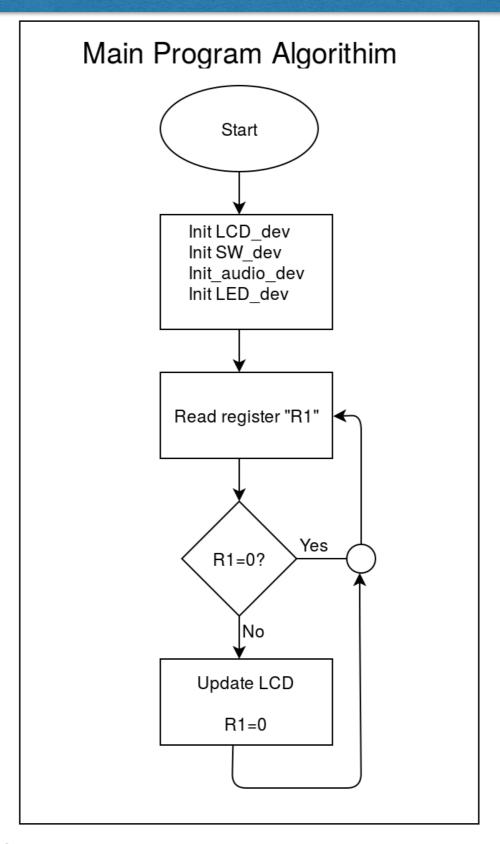
No change in LCD H/W

Tight demands on assembly code due to limited PC relative addressing

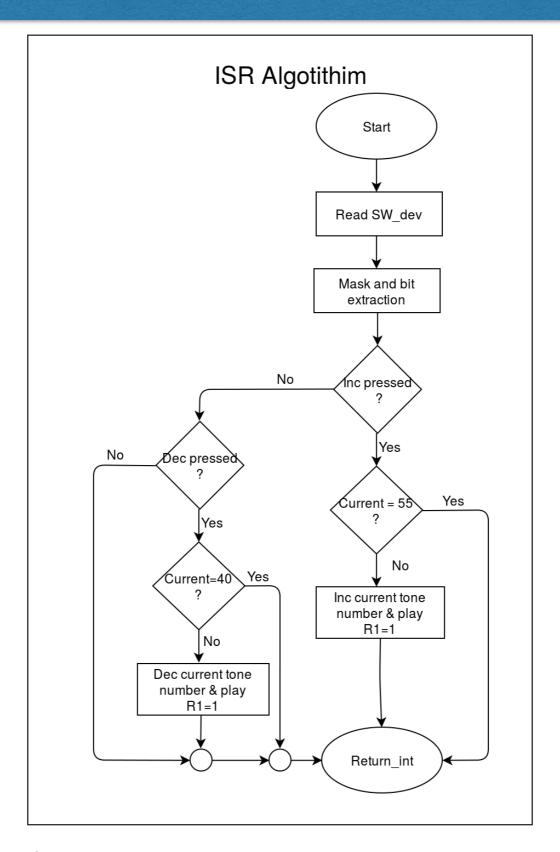
Change LCD H/W

Flexibility in assembly code making LCD H/W vulnerable to errors

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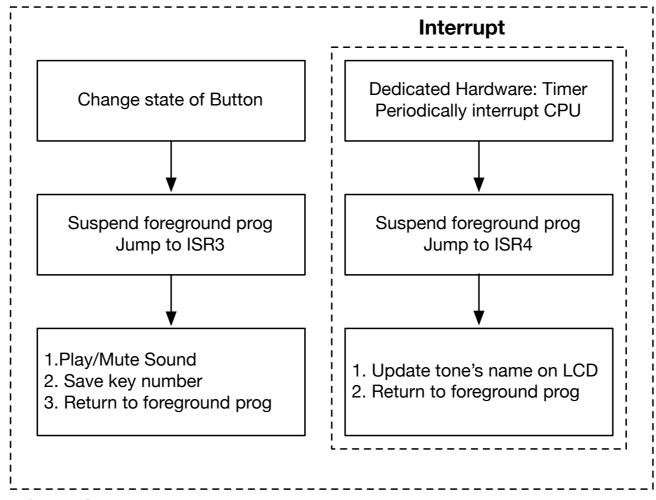
Future Extension

Currently Busy-wait is used in main program

Busy-wait is inefficient in terms of power and processor utilization

To make system energy efficient => We can use a dedicated HW - "Timer"

Timer will periodically interrupt the CPU to update current tone on LCD



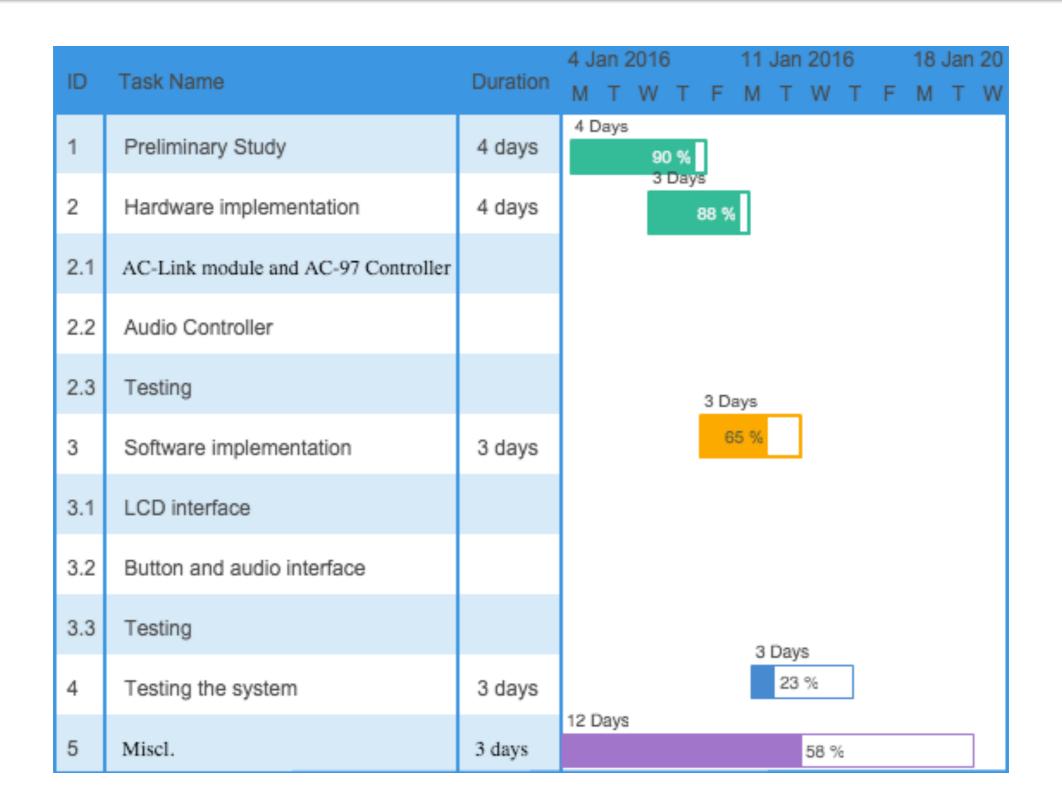
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3. Verification Plan

Two stages of verification:

- Module level: Create each module and simulate its functionality independently using ISIM
 - AC-Link block
 - AC-97 Controller
 - Audio Controller
- System level: Integrate modules with the system and check the functionality

4. Time Schedule



5. Work Distribution

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Software Implementation (Timer Implementation)	Hardware Implementation
Testing	

