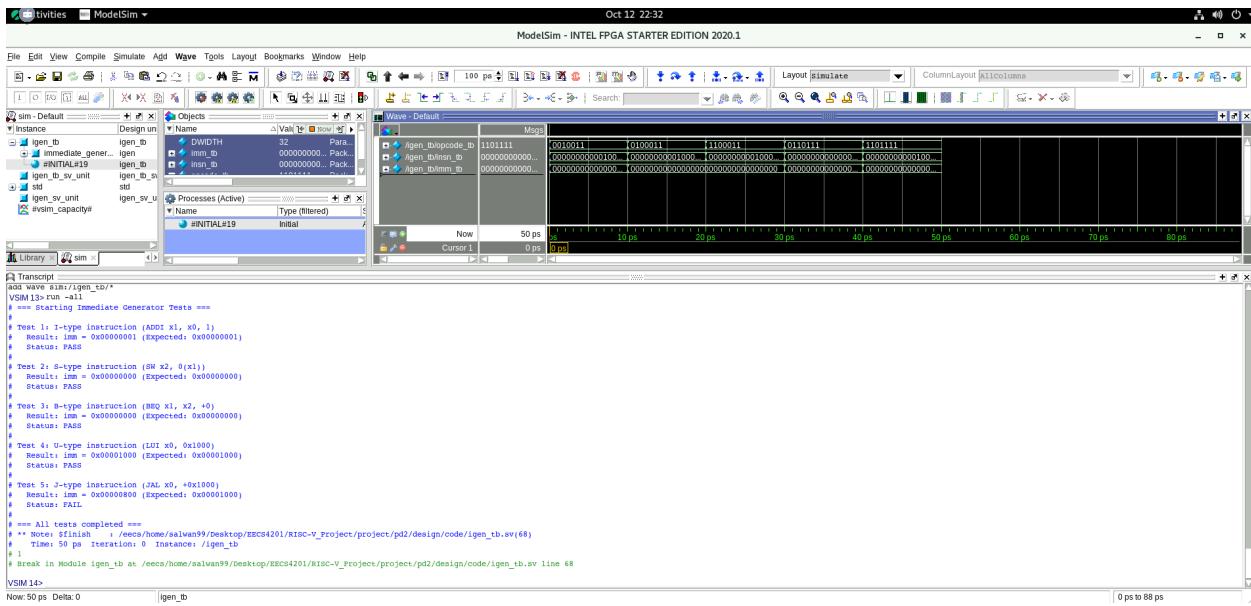


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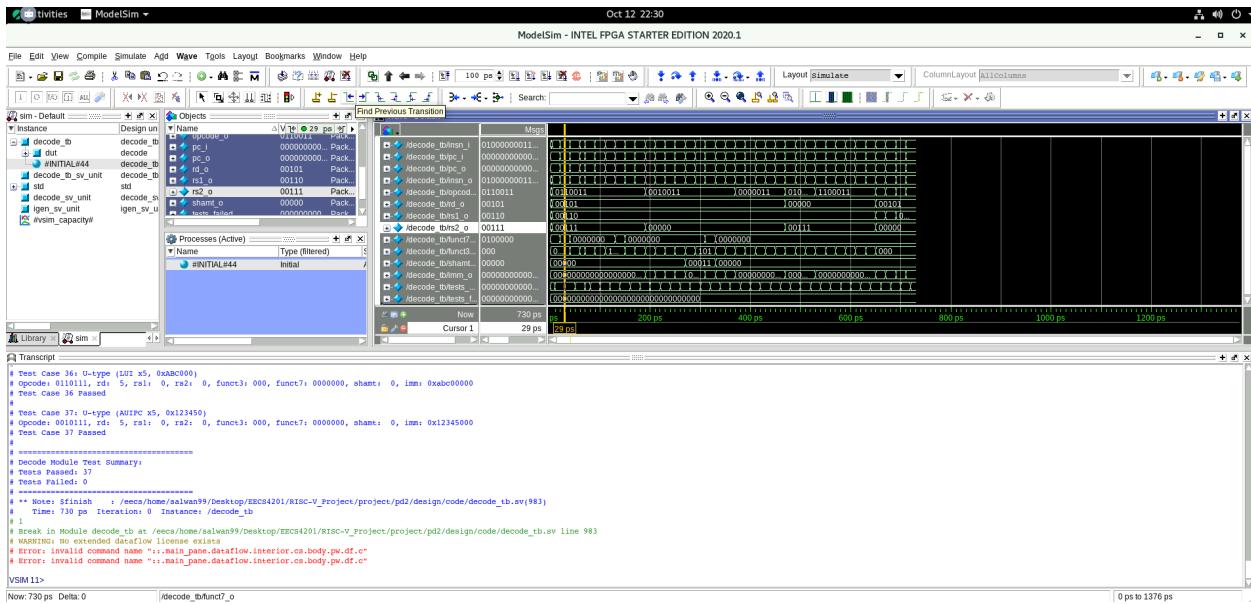
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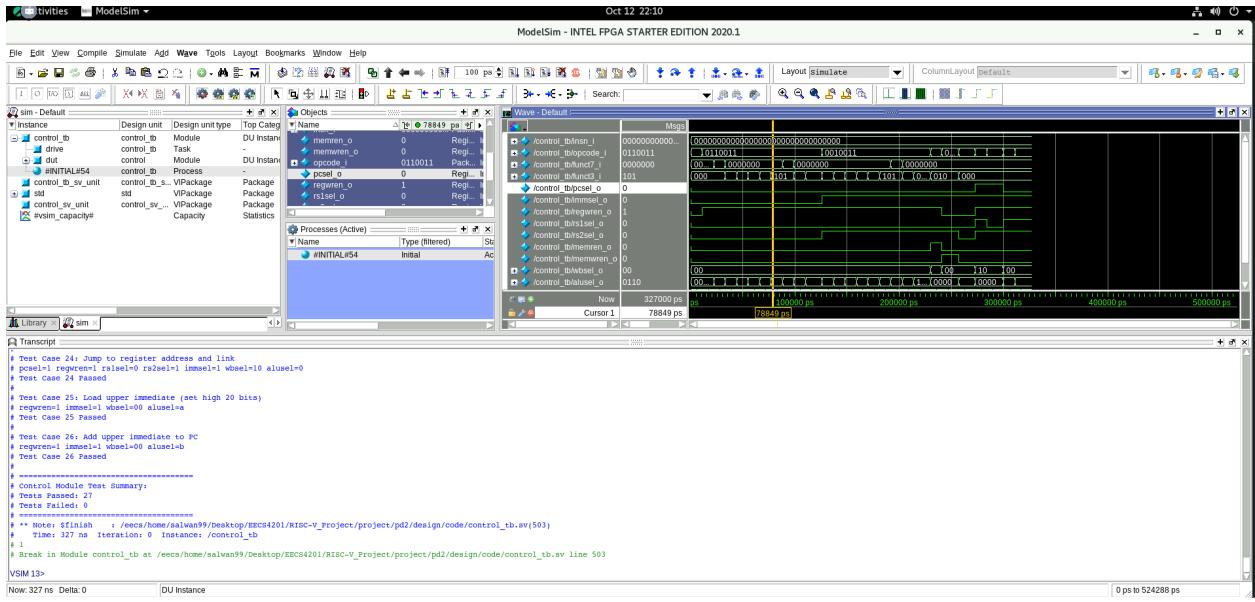
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Challenges Faced During PD2 Deliverables:

During the PD2 the first challenge we faced was with instruction memory. When we tried to run the professor's test, [memory.sv](#) thrown so many errors. We discovered the problem wasn't the memory file but the command we used to run it, I figured this out after talking with TA. The memory file was never loaded as intended because we were running/compiling with the wrong command line. The warnings disappeared and the memory behaved as expected after fixing the command (proper file list, include path, and compile order). That was a great reminder that tool setup can look like a logic bug until you verify the flow.

The second main challenge we faced was with the decode stage. At first we wasn't sure where to put the immediate generator, is it inside the decode or as a separate block in the pd2.sv. We began by inserting it into the decoder; however, because the initial run of the decoder was written sequentially, the outputs were delayed, and the checks contained a large number of zeros. The time problems were resolved after switching to entirely combinational logic, although the tests continued to have decode mismatch problems. Since a few instruction situations were incorrect (and shift/immediate handling needed attention), we were forced to re-audit field extraction and opcodes/funct mappings. The decode outputs eventually matched the specification when those circumstances were fixed.

Writing the testbenches was the last challenge. It required some rounds to figure out a clear strategy, including what to print, how to organize pass/fail tests, and how to cover sample instances. We finally found an order that worked, which accelerated debugging and made errors

clear. All things considered, these glitches taught us to keep the decode strictly combinational, evaluate the tool flow early, and create straightforward, repeatable test patterns that highlight errors.