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Semester project: Design of the support circuit for a digital camera

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1 Abstract

This report describes a design of a 4 pixel digital camera. It includes an analog schematics for all the pixels as well as a digital design for the control unit. Coupled with a pulse shaper and $\sqrt{\text{number of pixels}}$ number of ADCs this design can be adapted to an arbitrary quadratic digital camera.

The design was tested with AIM-Spice [1] and Icarus verilog [2] as described in section 6

2 Introduction

Here be introduction, please write me.

3 Theory

3.1 One digital pixel

This is how a pixel works. Explain current to voltage, readout and overall goal.

3.2 Leakage through transistors

And this is how voltage leaks.

3.3 Conceptual workings of a camera controller

This might work...

4 Analog design

The design exist in appendix A.

5 Digital design

The design exists in appendix B.

6 Simulations

Much simulation, much gud.

7 Conclusion

Such conclusion, very concluded.

8 References

References

- [1] T. Ytterdal. (2019). Aim-spice, [Online]. Available: <http://aimspice.com/> (visited on 04/11/2019).
- [2] S. Williams. (1998). Icarus verilog, [Online]. Available: <http://iverilog.icarus.com/> (visited on 04/11/2019).

Appendices

A Spice code

Listing 1: Main simulation of analog pixels

```
* A simulation of all four pixels

.include parameters.cir
.include components.cir

xPixel11 1 0 EXPOSE ERASE NRE_R1 OUT_C1 N211 pixel
xPixel12 1 0 EXPOSE ERASE NRE_R1 OUT_C2 N212 pixel
xPixel21 1 0 EXPOSE ERASE NRE_R2 OUT_C1 N221 pixel
xPixel22 1 0 EXPOSE ERASE NRE_R2 OUT_C2 N222 pixel

xcurrentAmp1 1 0 OUT_C1 currentamp
xcurrentAmp2 1 0 OUT_C2 currentamp

.tran {PERIOD / 100000} PERIOD
.plot tran v(OUT_C1) v(ERASE) v(EXPOSE) v(NRE_R1) v(NRE_R2) v(
    OUT_C2) v(N211)
```

Listing 2: Components in the camera

```
* A file with subcircuits for the camera

.include models/p18_cmos_models.inc
.include models/photo_diode.inc

.subckt pixel VDD GND EXPOSE ERASE NRE OUT N2

xphoto VDD N1 PhotoDiode

M1 N1 EXPOSE N2 GND NMOS W=M1W L=M1L
M2 N2 ERASE GND GND NMOS W=M2W L=M2L
CS N2 GND CSval

M3 N3 N2 GND VDD PMOS W=M3W L=M3L
M4 OUT NRE N3 VDD PMOS W=M4W L=M4L
```

```

.ends

.subckt currentamp VDD GND IO

MC VDD IO IO VDD PMOS W=MCW L=MCL
CC IO GND CCval

.ends

```

Listing 3: Parameters for the camera

```

* This file contains the parameters and standard components for
  all analog circuits in the project.

* Include models

* Test parameters
.param Ipd_1 = 750p ! Photodiode current , range [50 pA, 750 pA]
.param EXPOSURETIME = 4m ! Exposure time, range [2 ms, 30 ms]

* Derived and fixed test parameters
.param VDD = 1.8 ! Supply voltage
.param TRF = {EXPOSURETIME/100} ! Risetime and falltime of
  EXPOSURE and ERASE signals
.param PW = {EXPOSURETIME} ! Pulsethickness of EXPOSURE and ERASE
  signals
.param FS = 1k; ! Sampling clock frequency
.param CLK_PERIOD = {1/FS} ! Sampling clock period
.param READ_TIME = {CLK_PERIOD}
.param EXPOSE_DLY = {CLK_PERIOD} ! Delay for EXPOSE signal
.param NRE_R1_DLY = {2*CLK_PERIOD + EXPOSURETIME} ! Delay for
  NRE_R1 signal
.param NRE_R2_DLY = {CLK_PERIOD + NRE_R1_DLY + READ_TIME} ! Delay
  for NRE_R2 signal
.param ERASE_DLY = {CLK_PERIOD + NRE_R2_DLY + READ_TIME} ! Delay
  for ERASE signal
.param PERIOD = {ERASE_DLY + EXPOSURETIME} ! Period for testbench
  sources

* Permanent test sources

```

```

VDD 1 0 dc VDD
VEXPOSE EXPOSE 0 dc 0 pulse(0 VDD EXPOSE_DLY TRF TRF EXPOSURETIME
PERIOD)
VERASE ERASE 0 dc 0 pulse(0 VDD ERASE_DLY TRF TRF CLK_PERIOD
PERIOD)
VNRE_R1 NRE_R1 0 dc 0 pulse(VDD 0 NRE_R1_DLY TRF TRF READ_TIME
PERIOD)
VNRE_R2 NRE_R2 0 dc 0 pulse(VDD 0 NRE_R2_DLY TRF TRF READ_TIME
PERIOD)

```

```

* Parameters for photo cell, L [0.36 , 1.08]u W [1.08 , 5.04]u
.param M1W = 1.08u
.param M1L = 1.08u
.param M2W = 1.08u
.param M2L = 1.08u
.param M3W = 3u
.param M3L = 0.67u
.param M4W = 1.08u
.param M4L = 1.08u
.param M5W = 5.04u
.param M5L = 0.36u

.param CSval = 2.5p
.param CCval = 3p

```

Listing 4: MOSFET models part 1

```

.param proc_delta = 0.95
.param vt_shift = 0.1
.include models/p18_model_card.inc

```

Listing 5: MOSFET models part 2

```

* p18 model card
.MODEL NMOS NMOS
+ VERSION = 3.1
+ LEVEL = 49 NOIMOD = 1 TNOM = 2.70E+01
+ TOX = '4.1E-9/proc_delta' XJ = 1.00E-07 NCH = 2.33E+17
+ VTH0 = '0.36+vt_shift' K1 = 5.84E-01 K2 = 4.14E-03
+ K3 = 1.01E-03 K3B = 2.20E+00 W0 = 1.00E-07
+ NLX = 1.81E-07 DVT0W = 0.00E+00 DVT1W = 0.00E+00
+ DVT2W = 0.00E+00 DVT0 = 1.73E+00 DVT1 = 4.38E-01
+ DVT2 = -3.70E-04 U0 = '260*proc_delta*proc_delta' UA = -1.38
E-09

```

```

+ UB = 2.26E-18 UC = 5.46E-11 VSAT = 1.03E+05
+ A0 = 1.92E+00 AGS = 4.20E-01 B0 = -1.52E-09
+ B1 = -9.92E-08 KETA = -7.16E-03 A1 = 6.61E-04
+ A2 = 8.89E-01 RDSW = 1.12E+02 PRWG = 4.92E-01
+ PRWB = -2.02E-01 WR = 1.00E+00 WINT = 7.12E-09
+ LINT = 1.12E-08 XL = -2.00E-08 XW = -1.00E-08
+ DWG = -3.82E-09 DWB = 8.63E-09 VOFF = -8.82E-02
+ NFACTOR = 2.30E+00 CIT = 0.00E+00 CDSC = 2.40E-04
+ CDSCD = 0.00E+00 CDSCB = 0.00E+00 ETA0 = 3.13E-03
+ ETAB = 1.00E+00 DSUB = 2.25E-02 PCLM = 7.20E-01
+ PDIBLC1 = 2.15E-01 PDIBLC2 = 2.23E-03 PDIBLCB = 1.00E-01
+ DROUT = 8.01E-01 PSCBE1 = 5.44E+08 PSCBE2 = 1.00E-03
+ PVAG = 1.00E-12 DELTA = 1.00E-02 RSH = 6.78E+00
+ MOBMOD = 1.00E+00 PRT = 0.00E+00 UTE = -1.50E+00
+ KT1 = -1.10E-01 KT1L = 0.00E+00 KT2 = 2.19E-02
+ UA1 = 4.28E-09 UB1 = -7.62E-18 UC1 = -5.57E-11
+ AT = 3.30E+04 WL = 0.00E+00 WLN = 1.00E+00
+ WW = 0.00E+00 WWN = 1.00E+00 WWL = 0.00E+00
+ LL = 0.00E+00 LLN = 1.00E+00 LW = 0.00E+00
+ LWN = 1.00E+00 LWL = 0.00E+00 CAPMOD = 2.00E+00
+ XPART = 5.00E-01 CGDO = 6.98E-10 CGSO = 7.03E-10
+ CGBO = 1.00E-12 CJ = '9.8e-4/proc_delta' PB = 7.34E-01
+ MJ = 3.63E-01 CJSW = '2.4e-10/proc_delta' PBSW = 4.71E-01
+ MJSW = 1.00E-01 CJSWG = 3.29E-10 PBSWG = 4.66E-01
+ MJSWG = 1.00E-01 CF = 0.00E+00 PVTH0 = -7.16E-04
+ PRDSW = -6.66E-01 PK2 = 5.92E-04 WKETA = 2.14E-04
+ LKETA = -1.51E-02 PU0 = 3.36E+00 PUA = -1.31E-11
+ PUB = 0.00E+00 PVSAT = 1.25E+03 PETA0 = 1.00E-04
+ PKETA = 6.45E-04 KF = 4.46E-29

```

.MODEL PMOS PMOS

```

+ VERSION = 3.1
+ LEVEL = 49 NOIMOD = 1
+ TNOM = 2.70E+01 TOX = '4.1E-9/proc_delta' XJ = 1.00E-07
+ NCH = 4.12E+17 VTH0 = '-0.39-vt_shift' K1 = 5.50E-01
+ K2 = 3.50E-02 K3 = 0.00E+00 K3B = 1.20E+01
+ W0 = 1.00E-06 NLX = 1.25E-07 DVT0W = 0.00E+00
+ DVT1W = 0.00E+00 DVT2W = 0.00E+00 DVT0 = 5.53E-01
+ DVT1 = 2.46E-01 DVT2 = 1.00E-01 U0 = '110*proc_delta*
proc_delta'
+ UA = 1.44E-09 UB = 2.29E-21 UC = -1.00E-10
+ VSAT = 1.95E+05 A0 = 1.72E+00 AGS = 3.80E-01
+ B0 = 5.87E-07 B1 = 1.44E-06 KETA = 2.21E-02

```

```

+ A1 = 4.66E-01 A2 = 3.00E-01 RDSW = 3.11E+02
+ PRWG = 5.00E-01 PRWB = 1.64E-02 WR = 1.00E+00
+ WINT = 0.00E+00 LINT = 2.00E-08 XL = -2.00E-08
+ XW = -1.00E-08 DWG = -3.49E-08 DWB = 1.22E-09
+ VOFF = -9.80E-02 NFACTOR = 2.00E+00 CIT = 0.00E+00
+ CDSC = 2.40E-04 CDSCD = 0.00E+00 CDSCB = 0.00E+00
+ ETA0 = 1.12E-03 ETAB = -4.79E-04 DSUB = 1.60E-03
+ PCLM = 1.50E+00 PDIBLC1 = 3.00E-02 PDIBLC2 = -1.01E-05
+ PDIBLCB = 1.00E-01 DROUT = 1.56E-03 PSCBE1 = 4.91E+09
+ PSCBE2 = 1.64E-09 PVAG = 3.48E+00 DELTA = 1.00E-02
+ RSH = 7.69E+00 MOBMOD = 1.00E+00 PRT = 0.00E+00
+ UTE = -1.49E+00 KT1 = -1.09E-01 KT1L = 0.00E+00
+ KT2 = 2.18E-02 UA1 = 4.27E-09 UB1 = -7.68E-18
+ UC1 = -5.57E-11 AT = 3.31E+04 WL = 0.00E+00
+ WLN = 1.00E+00 WW = 0.00E+00 WWN = 1.00E+00
+ WWL = 0.00E+00 LL = 0.00E+00 LLN = 1.00E+00
+ LW = 0.00E+00 LWN = 1.00E+00 LWL = 0.00E+00
+ CAPMOD = 2.00E+00 XPART = 5.00E-01 CGDO = 6.88E-10
+ CGSO = 6.85E-10 CGBO = 1.00E-12 CJ = '1.2e-3/proc_delta'
+ PB = 8.70E-01 MJ = 4.20E-01 CJSW = '2.4e-10/proc_delta'
+ PBSW = 8.00E-01 MJSW = 3.57E-01 CJSWG = 4.24E-10
+ PBSWG = 8.00E-01 MJSWG = 3.56E-01 CF = 0.00E+00
+ PVTH0 = 3.53E-03 PRDSW = 1.02E+01 PK2 = 3.35E-03
+ WKETA = 3.52E-02 LKETA = -2.06E-03 PU0 = -2.19E+00
+ PUA = -7.63E-11 PUB = 9.91E-22 PVSAT = 5.00E+01
+ PKETA = -6.41E-03 KF = 1.29E-29 PETA0 = 7.31E-05

```

Listing 6: Photo diode models

```

.subckt PhotoDiode VDD N1_R1C1
I1_R1C1 VDD N1_R1C1 DC Ipd_1
d1 N1_R1C1 vdd dwell 1
.model dwell d cj0=1e-14 is=1e-12 m=0.5 bv=40
Cd1 N1_R1C1 VDD 30 f
.ends

```

B Verilog code

Listing 7: Main module for camera control testbench

```
1  /*
2   This is the testbench for camera_fsm, the logic that controls
   the camera.
3   */
4
5   `define _no_testbench_
6
7   `timescale 1ns / 1ps
8
9   `include "camera_fsm.v"
10
11
12  module camera_fsm_tb;
13      logic clk, init, inc, dec, reset;
14      logic expose, erase, nre1, nre2, adc;
15
16      camera_fsm test_camera(clk, init, inc, dec, reset, expose,
17                             erase, nre1, nre2, adc);
18
19      always @(*)
20          #1 clk <= !clk;
21
22      initial begin
23          $dumpfile("outfiles/out_camera_fsm_tb.vcd");
24          $dumpvars();
25
26          {clk, init, inc, dec, reset} = 5'b00001;
27          #2 reset = 0;
28
29          #5 inc = 1;
30          #2 dec = 1;
31          #30 inc = 0;
32          #4 dec = 0;
33          #2 init = 1;
34          #4 init = 0;
35
36          #30 inc = 1;
37          #4 inc = 0;
38
39          #28 reset = 1;
40          #2 reset = 0;
```

```

41         #4 dec = 1;
42         #60 dec = 0;
43
44         init = 1;
45         #1 init = 0;
46
47         #1 dec = 1;
48
49         #38 $finish;
50     end
51
52 endmodule // camera_fsm_tb

```

Listing 8: Main module for camera control

```

1  /*
2   This file contains the controll logic of the FSM of the camera.
3   It depends on the fcd_reg, exp_reg and read_sequencer to function
4   .
5   */
6  // 'define _no_testbench_
7
8  'ifndef _fsm_logic_v_31_
9  'define _fsm_logic_v_31_
10
11  'include "exp_reg.v"
12  'include "fcd_reg.v"
13  'include "readout_seq.v"
14
15
16 module camera_fsm(input  logic clk,
17                  input logic init, exponer_inc, exponer_dec,
18                  reset,
19                  output logic expose, erase, nre_1, nre_2,
20                  adc_enable);
21
22     typedef enum          logic [1:0]
23                          {idle, exposing, readout, illegal}
24                          statetypes;
25
26     statetypes current_state, next_state;
27
28     logic          readout_enable, readout_reset,
29                   readout_finished;
30
31     logic          fcd_enable, fcd_dset, fcd_finished;

```



```

27     logic [4:0]                fcd_data;
28
29     logic                      exp_reset, exp_inc, exp_dec;
30
31
32     exp_reg exposure_reg(clk, exp_reset, exp_inc, exp_dec, fcd_data
33         );
34     fcd_reg countdown_reg(clk, fcd_enable, fcd_dset, fcd_data,
35         fcd_finished);
36     readout_seq readout_sequencer(clk, readout_enable,
37         readout_reset, readout_finished, nre_1, nre_2, adc_enable);
38
39
40     assign exp_inc = (current_state == idle) ? exponer_inc : 0;
41     assign exp_dec = (current_state == idle) ? exponer_dec : 0;
42
43     always @(posedge clk)
44     case (next_state)
45         idle: begin
46             {expose, erase, readout_enable, readout_reset,
47                 fcd_enable, fcd_dset} <= 6'b010101;
48             current_state <= next_state;
49         end
50         exposing: begin
51             {expose, erase, readout_enable, readout_reset,
52                 fcd_enable, fcd_dset} <= 6'b100110;
53             current_state <= next_state;
54         end
55         readout: begin
56             {expose, erase, readout_enable, readout_reset,
57                 fcd_enable, fcd_dset} <= 6'b001001;
58             current_state <= next_state;
59         end
60         default: current_state <= next_state;
61
62     endcase // case (next_state)
63
64     always @(*) begin
65         if (reset)
66             current_state = illegal;
67         else case (current_state)
68             illegal: begin
69                 exp_reset = 1;
70                 readout_reset = 1;

```

```

66         exp_reset = 0;
67         readout_reset = 0;
68         next_state = idle;
69     end
70     idle: if (init) next_state = exposing;
71     exposing: if (fcd_finished) next_state = readout;
72     readout: if (readout_finished) next_state = idle;
73     default: next_state = idle;
74     endcase // case (state)
75 end // always @ (*)
76
77 initial
78     current_state = illegal;
79
80 endmodule // camera_fsm
81
82
83 'endif

```

Listing 9: Exposure register

```

1  /*
2   This file contains a simple module for counting the exposure time
3   ,
4   it runs from 2 to 30 (requiering 5 bits)
5   */
6  'ifndef _exp_reg_v_25_
7  'define _exp_reg_v_25_
8
9
10 module exp_reg(input  logic clk, reset, inc, dec,
11                output logic [4:0] q);
12
13     always @(posedge clk)
14         if (inc & (q < 30) & !reset)
15             q <= q + 1;
16         else if (dec & (q > 2) & !inc & !reset)
17             q <= q - 1;
18
19     always @(*)
20         if (reset | q > 30 | q < 2)
21             q <= 5'd15;
22
23     initial
24         q = 5'd15;

```

```

25
26 endmodule // exp_reg
27
28
29 `ifndef _no_testbench_
30
31
32 module exp_reg_tb;
33     logic clk, reset, inc, dec;
34     logic [4:0] q;
35
36     exp_reg testreg(clk, reset, inc, dec, q);
37
38     initial begin
39         $dumpfile("outfiles/out_exp_reg_tb.vcd");
40         $dumpvars();
41
42         #1 {clk, reset, inc, dec} = 4'b1100;
43         #1 {clk, reset} = 2'b10;
44
45         for (int i = 1; i <= 20; i = i+1) begin
46             #1 {clk, inc, dec} = 3'b111;
47             #1 {clk, inc, dec} = 3'b011;
48         end
49
50         for (int i = 1; i <= 40; i = i+1) begin
51             #1 {clk, inc, dec} = 3'b101;
52             #1 {clk, inc, dec} = 3'b001;
53         end
54
55         #1 reset = 1;
56         #1 reset = 0;
57
58         #1 {clk, reset, inc, dec} = 4'b1101;
59         #1 {clk, reset} = 2'b00;
60         #1 clk = 1;
61         #1 clk = 0;
62
63         #1 $finish;
64     end
65 endmodule // exp_reg_tb
66
67
68
69 `endif // `ifndef _no_testbench_

```

```
70 'endif // 'ifndef _exp_reg_v_25_
```

Listing 10: Counter for exposure time

```
1  /*
2   This file contains the register used to count down different
   values in the camera.
3   It has 5 bits, can take data inn and counts down on rising clock
   edge when enabled.
4   It has an output for when the internal data is 0.
5   Data set has priority over enable.
6   */
7
8  'ifndef _fcd_reg_v_28_
9  'define _fcd_reg_v_28_
10
11
12 module fcd_reg(input logic clk, enable, dset,
13               input logic [4:0] dread_data,
14               output logic      finished);
15
16     logic [4:0]      data_int;
17
18     always @(posedge clk)
19         if (dset)
20             data_int <= dread_data;
21         else if (enable && (data_int > 'b0))
22             data_int <= data_int - 1;
23
24     assign finished = (data_int <= 5'd1) ? 1 : 0;
25
26 endmodule // fcd_reg
27
28
29 'ifndef _no_testbench_
30
31
32 module fcd_reg_tb;
33     logic clk, enable, dset, finished;
34     logic [4:0] data_in;
35
36     fcd_reg testreg(clk, enable, dset, data_in, finished);
37
38     initial begin
39         $dumpfile("outfiles/out_fcd_reg_tb.vcd");
40         $dumpvars();
```

```

41
42     #1 {clk, enable, dset, data_in} = 7'b0000111;
43     #1 {clk, dset} = 2'b11;
44     #1 clk = 0;
45     #1 {clk, enable, dset} = 3'b110;
46
47     for (int i = 1; i <= 21; i = i + 1) begin
48         #1 clk = !clk;
49     end
50
51     #1 {clk, enable} = 2'b10;
52     #1 clk = 0;
53     #1 clk = 1;
54
55     for (int i = 1; i <= 5; i = i + 1) begin
56         #1 clk = !clk;
57     end
58
59     #1 {clk, enable, dset} = 3'b111;
60
61     for (int i = 1; i <= 5; i = i + 1) begin
62         #1 clk = !clk;
63     end
64
65     #1 $finish;
66 end // initial begin
67
68 endmodule // fcd_reg_tb
69
70
71
72
73
74 'endif // 'ifndef _no_testbench_
75 'endif // 'ifndef _fcd_reg_v_28_

```

Listing 11: Readout sequencer

```

1  /*
2   This file contains a sequencer for the readout of the 4 pixel
3   camera.
4   It can be enabled and reset.
5   Note that the enable does not imply a reset.
6   */
7  'ifndef _readout_seq_v_31_

```

```

8  'define _readout_seq_v_31_
9
10
11 module readout_seq(input logic clk,
12                     input logic enable, reset,
13                     output logic finished,
14                     output logic nre1, nre2, adc);
15
16     logic [3:0]          step;
17
18     assign finished = (step >= 8) ? 1 : 0;
19
20     always @(posedge clk)
21         if (!finished && enable && !reset) step <= step + 1;
22
23     always @(*) begin
24         if (reset)
25             step <= 0;
26
27         case (step)
28             0: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b000;
29             1: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b100;
30             2: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b101;
31             3: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b100;
32             4: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b000;
33             5: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b010;
34             6: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b011;
35             7: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b010;
36             8: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b000;
37             default: {nre1, nre2, adc} = 3'b000;
38         endcase // case (step)
39     end // always @ (*)
40
41     endmodule // readout_seq
42
43
44 'ifndef _no_testbench_
45
46
47 module readout_seq_tb;
48     logic clk, enable, reset, finished, nre1, nre2, adc;
49
50     readout_seq test_seq(clk, enable, reset, finished, nre1, nre2,
51                          adc);
52
53

```

```

52     always @(*)
53         #1 clk <= !clk;
54
55     initial begin
56         $dumpfile("outfiles/out_readout_seq_tb.vcd");
57         $dumpvars();
58
59         {clk, enable, reset} = 3'b000;
60         #5 reset = 1;
61         #2 reset = 0;
62
63         #4 enable = 1;
64         #20 enable = 0;
65         #4 enable = 1;
66         #1 reset = 1; #1
67         #2 reset = 0;
68         #4 enable = 0;
69
70         #4 $finish;
71     end // initial begin
72
73 endmodule // readout_seq_tb
74
75
76 'endif
77 'endif // 'ifndef _readout_seq_v_31_

```