

EE 231 Lab Syllabus

Topics/Objectives

This lab is designed to augment the Digital Electronics class. Concepts from the class, which include Boolean algebra, logic gates, sequential digital design, finite state machines, etc., will be practiced in the lab on an FPGA. Lab work will primarily center around Verilog.

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Grading

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| Pre-labs: | 20% |
| Lab Exercises: | 60% |
| (Subsection of each Report) | (Subdivision of Percentages) |
| Abstract: | 10% |
| Introduction: | 20% |
| Methods: | 20% |
| Results: | 20% |
| Conclusion: | 10% |
| Demonstration of Success: | 20% |
| Subtotal: | 100% |
| Final Report: | 20% |
| Total: | 100% |

Due Dates/Late Policy

Each student is responsible for informing, in writing, the lead TA and instructor regarding absences and tardiness beforehand. One grace week will be given during dead week where any single lab may be turned in without penalty. No pre-labs will be accepted. Unless proof of an emergency can be produced, the following due dates and penalties are held:

Pre-labs

All pre-labs are due at the beginning of class. There will be a 15 minute grace period during the initial lecture. Any paper turned in after this period will be penalized 50%. No pre-lab will be accepted after the end of the lab period or if there is reasonable suspicion of copying the graded results of a peer.

Labs

All labs are due at 1600 two days after the date of the lab. A lab may be turned in at any point two weeks after the due date for 70% of the original grade. No late labs will be graded after this two week period.

Lab Book Expectations

Abstract

The abstract should be a short summary of the purpose, method, and results of the project. Abstracts should not be a repeat of the introduction, and should more closely model the conclusion section.

Introduction

The introduction should introduce a reader of the notebook to the project or problem being addressed. Details should include the purpose of the results, succinct overview of the methods, a summary of the problem and why it is applicable to the project, etc. Diagrams or flowcharts are sometimes necessary to explain concepts.

Methods

The methods section should detail a specific approach to solving the problem. A detailed description should include diagrams or flowcharts. This does not necessarily entail an action-for-action tutorial to use the program. A novice user of Verilog should be able to reproduce your results.

Results/Demonstration of Success

The results section should follow directly from the methods section. Quantitative diagrams and/or numbers are required. Thoroughly commented code is required. If no successful results are obtained, a quantitative demonstration of your current progress will gain partial credit. A signature of a qualified TA is required to demonstrate success.

Conclusion

The conclusion should briefly restate the purpose and results of the project. Significant results should be quantified. Do not say whether you liked the lab or not. Such comments, smiley or frowny faces, explosions, or the like belong in the margins.

Safety

When working with live electronics, soldering irons, or other laboratory equipment, students are required to wear their safety goggles.

Reasonable Accommodations

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