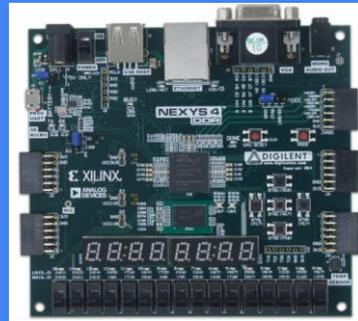


Visual Graphic Array Floating Point Calculator

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Introduction tidbits

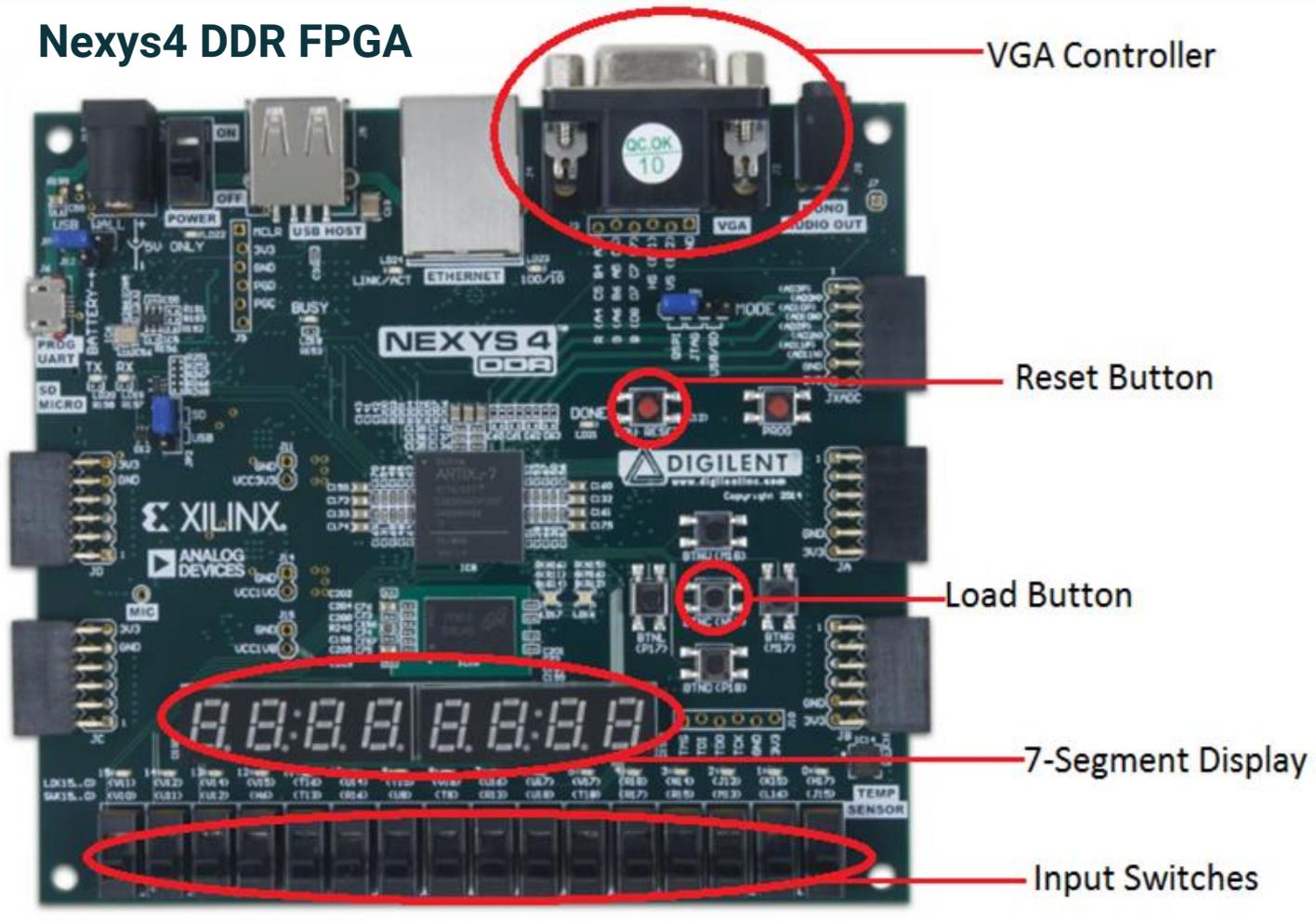


Using a Nexys4 DDR Artix-7 Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA), a 32-bit Floating-Point Calculator was implemented using the hardware description language, VHDL and the Vivado HL Webpack software program.

Images uploaded into MATLAB and converted into 64x64 text files are downloaded onto the VGA controller.

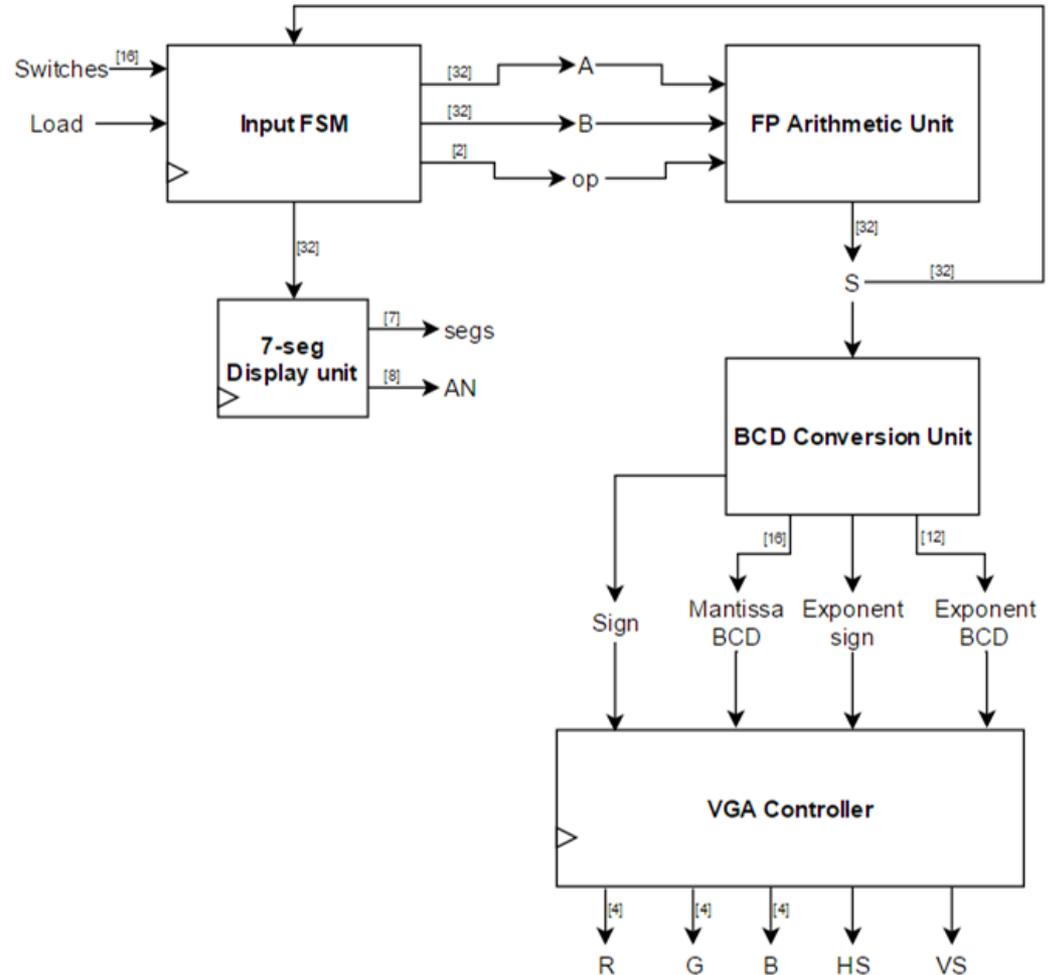
A Video Graphics Array (VGA) controller is then used to display the outputs generated by the floating point arithmetic unit on a monitor.

Nexys4 DDR FPGA



Set Up

- 1 - Input FSM and 7seg display
- 2 - FP Arithmetic
- 3 - BCD Conversion
- 4 - VGA Controller



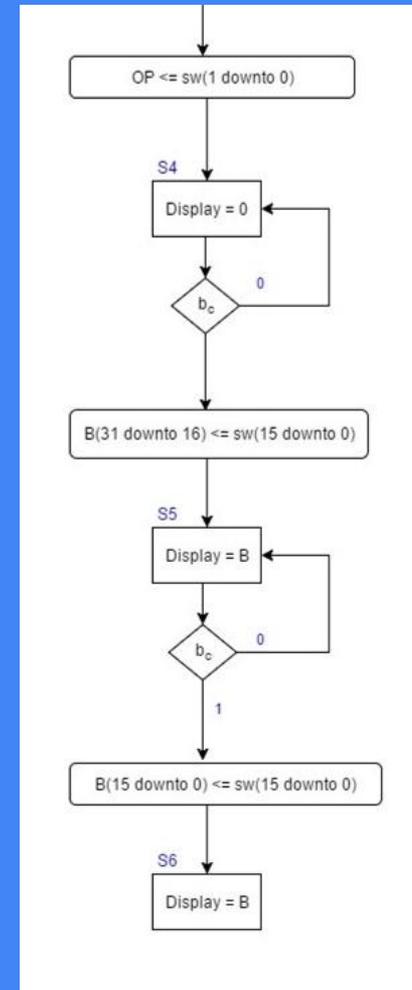
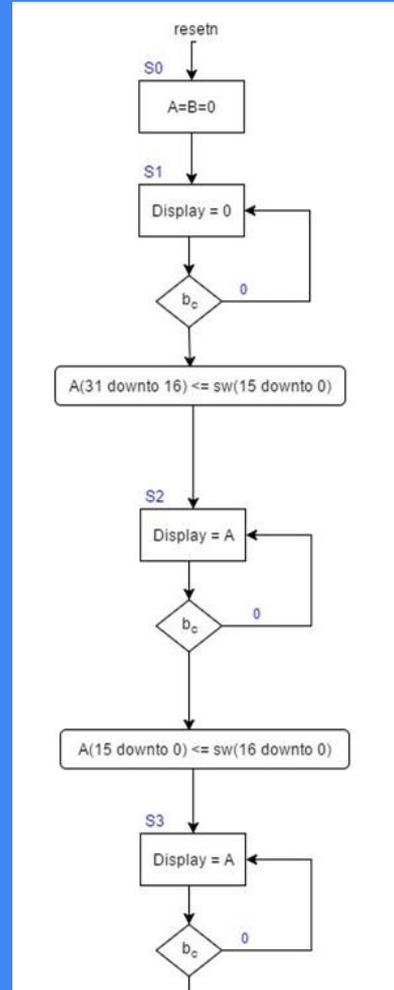
1- Input FSM and 7 Segment Display

Resetrn initializes the calculator and clears everything.

Two 32-bit Single floating point numbers (A, B) along with a 2-bit operand code (+, -, x, ÷) are entered into the NEXYS 4 DDR using the switches. The 32 bits for the FP numbers are entered 16 bits at a time.

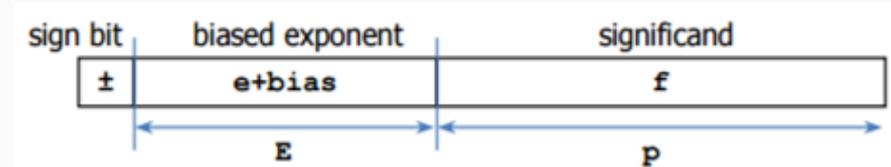
While inputting A and B, their current value will be displayed in hex on the 7 segment display. After input, the calculator output will be shown on the seven segments and on a vga monitor.

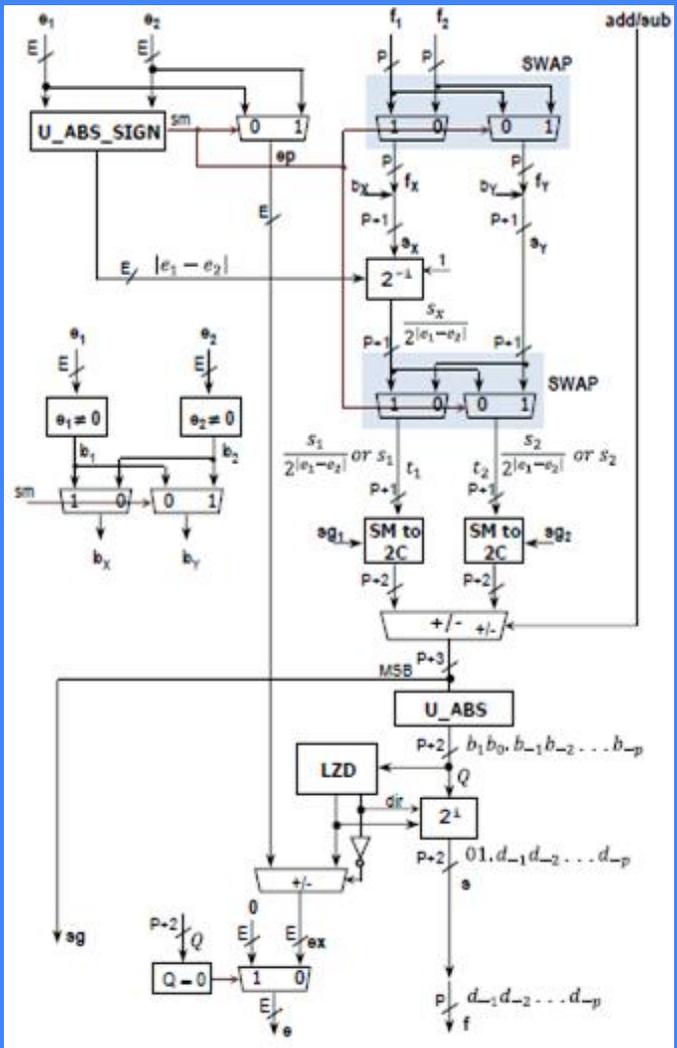
Finite State Machine
used for inputting
the 32-bit values into
the calculator
program.

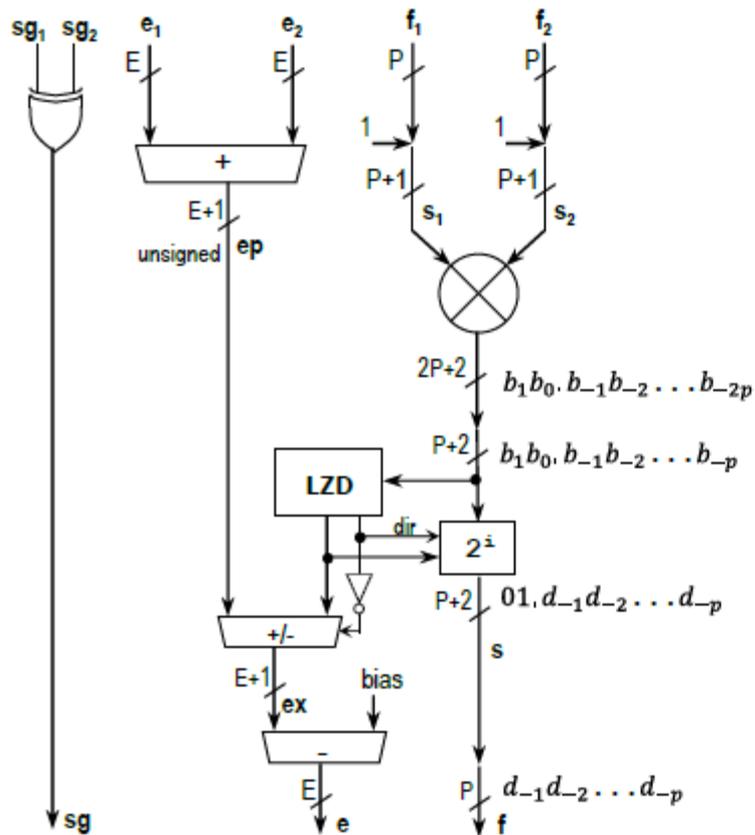


2 - Floating Point Arithmetic Unit

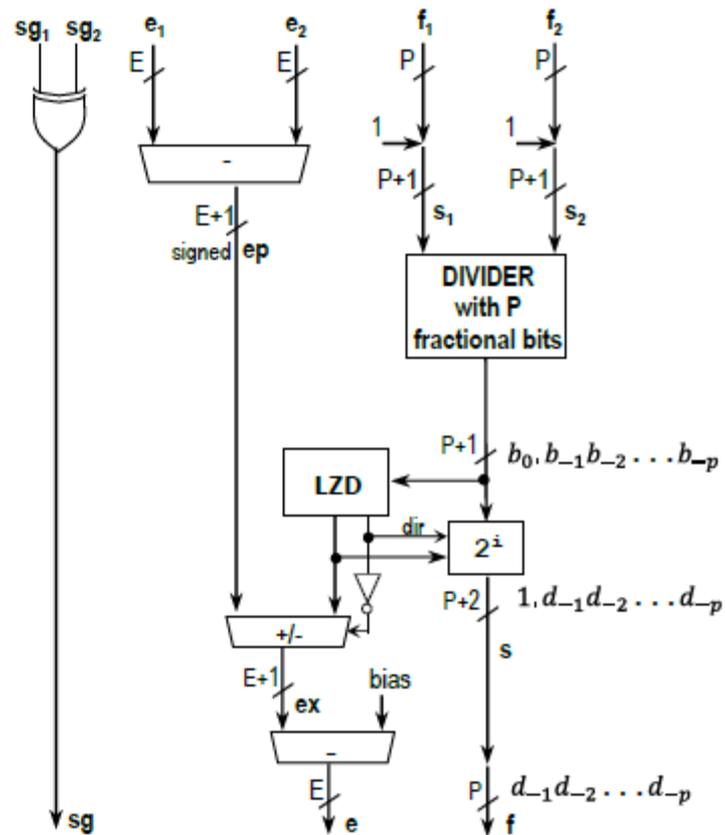
The floating point arithmetic unit takes in two, 32-bit floating point numbers along with a 2-bit operation code. It then feeds the inputs into the appropriate operational unit and outputs to a single 32-bit floating point number.







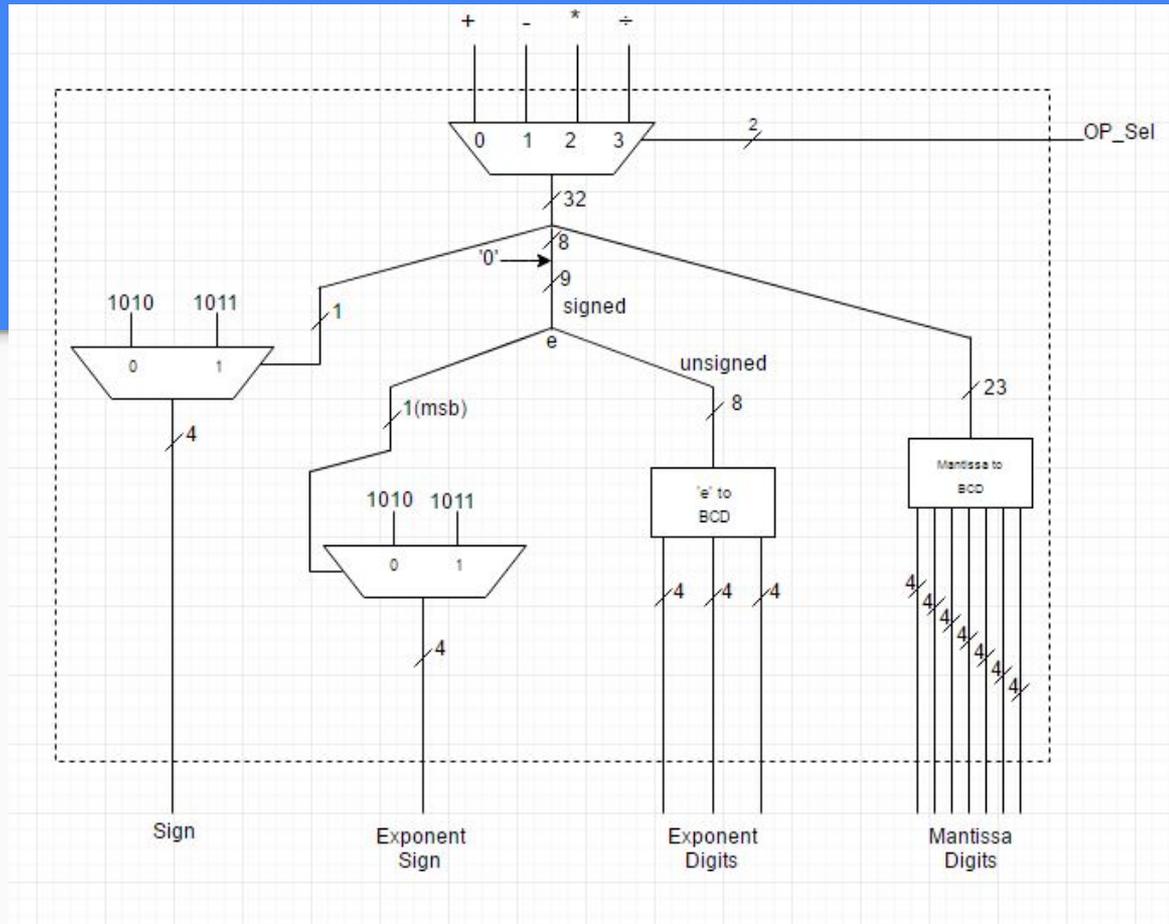
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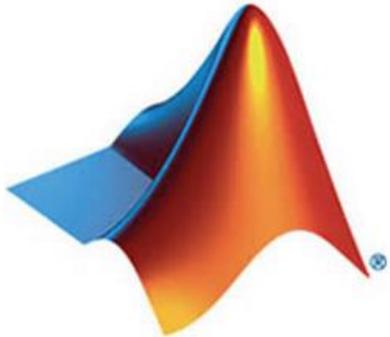
3- BCD Conversion

The Floating Point to BCD converter circuit receives the output of the Arithmetic Unit, splits it up into the sign, $e+bias$, and mantissa, and uses/alters these signals to produce the appropriate BCD representation of the number.



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The provided MATLAB code used for converting PNG images into a usable TXT files



```
clear all; close all; clc;

I = imread('negative.png'); % RGB image
figure; imshow(I);

% Resizing the image to 256x256:
IP = imresize(I,[64 64]);
figure; imshow (IP);

% 24-bit RGB image: we will convert it to a 12-bit RGB image:
for i = 1:3
    IN(:, :, i) = IP(:, :, i)/16; % every plane converted to 4 bits. right shift
end

figure; imshow(IN*16); % This is just so that 'imshow' can display the image properly

% -----
% Converting to text file. Format: 0|R|G|B in hexadecimal
q = quantizer ('ufixed', 'round', 'saturate', [4 0]);
textfile = 'negative.txt';
fid = fopen (textfile, 'wt'); % generates text file in write mode

for i = 1:64
    for j = 1:64
        R = IN(i,j,1); G = IN(i,j,2); B = IN(i,j,3);
        Rh = num2hex(q, double(R)); Gh = num2hex(q, double(G)); Bh = num2hex(q, double(B));
        fprintf(fid, '%s%s%s\n', Rh, Gh, Bh);
    end
end
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64x64 images

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+e

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4 - VGA Controller

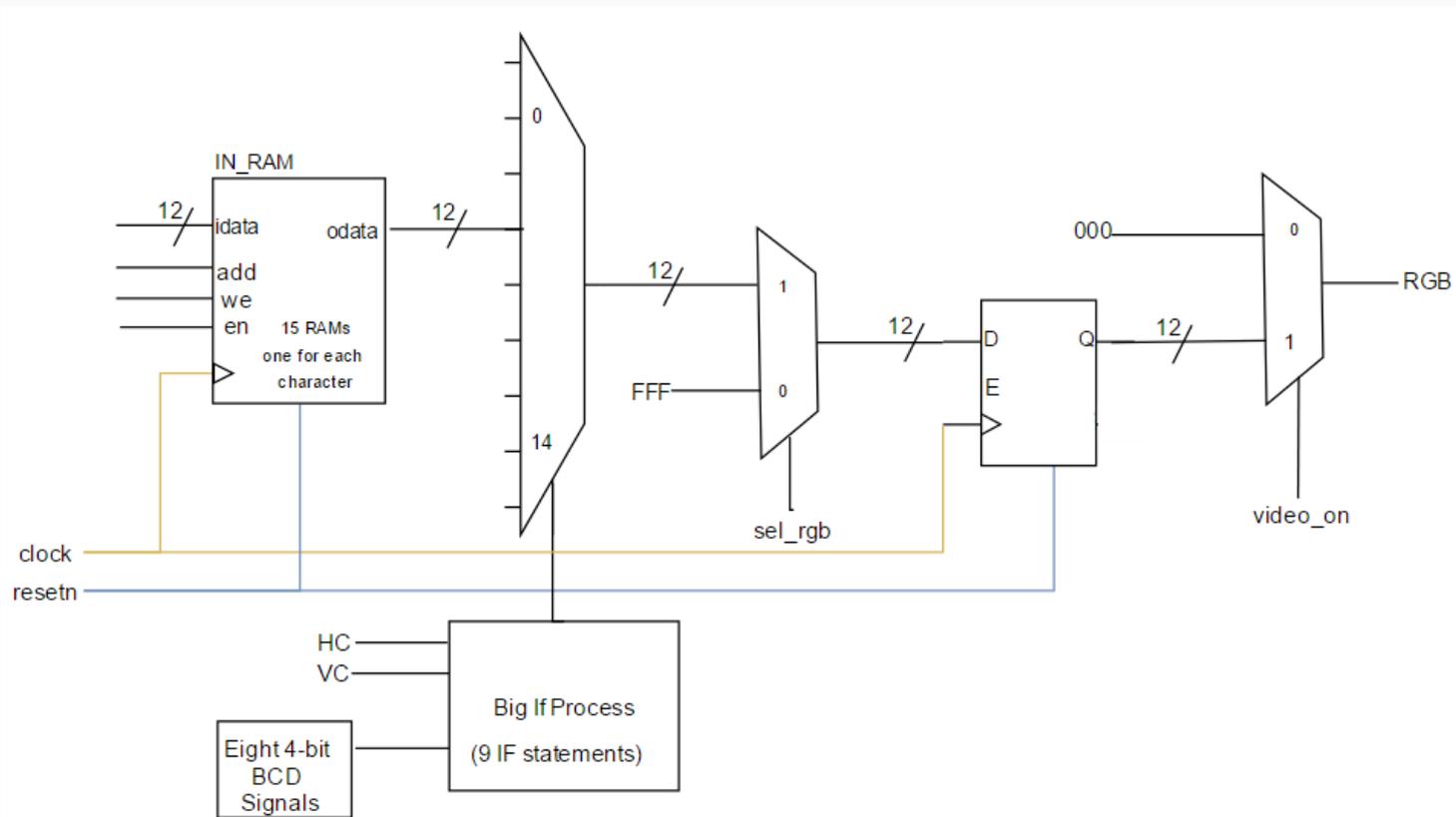
The VGA controller takes in the truncated digits of the calculator output after their conversion to BCD. The text files for 0-9, +, -, -e, +e, '1.' are stored in separate RAMs, the output of each is the input of a 15-to-1 bus mux. This mux is selected by a series of If statements that depend on the current values of VC, HC and the the BCD value of the character to be displayed on that particular 64x64 area.

The first 4 significant digits of each number and its three digit exponent on the monitor, in the format of $\pm 1.xxx \pm e xxx$.

VGA demo default screen



VGA circuit



Examples/demo

Input A	OP	Input B	Result	VGA Display Theoretical	VGA Display Actual	% Error max (0.6%)
40B0 0000	+	C2FA 8000	$-1.871 \cdot 2^6$	-1.871+e006	-1.867+e006	0.21%
50DA D000	-	D0FA D000	$1.834 \cdot 2^{35}$	+1.834+e035	+1.828+e035	0.33%
7AB8 0000	*	8180 0000	$1.437 \cdot 2^{-6}$	+1.437-e006	+1.437-e006	0%
FA39 0000	÷	4840 0000	$-1.921 \cdot 2^{99}$	-1.921+e099	-1.921+e099	0%

Plausible Improvements

Utilize the keyboard for both input #'s and operator

Display the inputs and operator on VGA as well as the result

Increase number of precision bits of the result for accuracy

Include Denormal, Infinite ($\pm\infty$), and Not a Number (NaN) as possible outputs

Option to show the answer in full decimal format or as a single



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