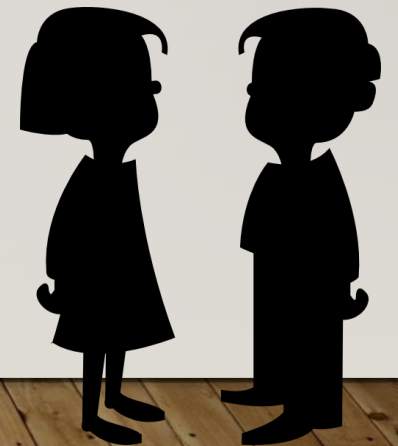


BINARY LOVE

THE STORY OF TWO LONELY STICK FIGURES IN A FPGA
WORLD

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this project was to create a program that allowed the user to mask specific pixel ranges which will hide certain parts of a single image at different times throughout the story. The story is told by manually adjusting the switches on the Nexys4 board.

MATLAB

MATLAB was used to convert the PNG image into usable text file.

```
clear all; close all; clc;

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

% Resizing the image to 256x256:
IP = imresize(I,[256 256]);
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 = 'myimg.txt';
fid = fopen (textfile, 'wt'); % generates text file in write mode

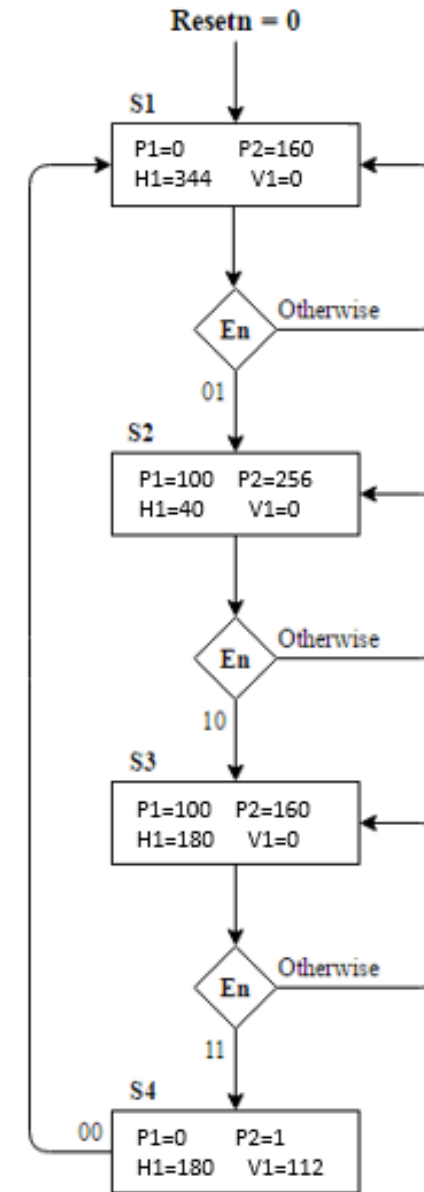
for i = 1:256
    for j = 1:256
        R = IN(i,j,1); G = IN(i,j,2); B = IN(i,j,3);
        Rh = num2hex(q, double(R)); Gh = num2hex(q, double(G)); Bh = num2hex(q, double(B));
        fprintf(fid, '0%s%s%s\n',Rh, Gh, Bh);
    end
end

fclose (fid);
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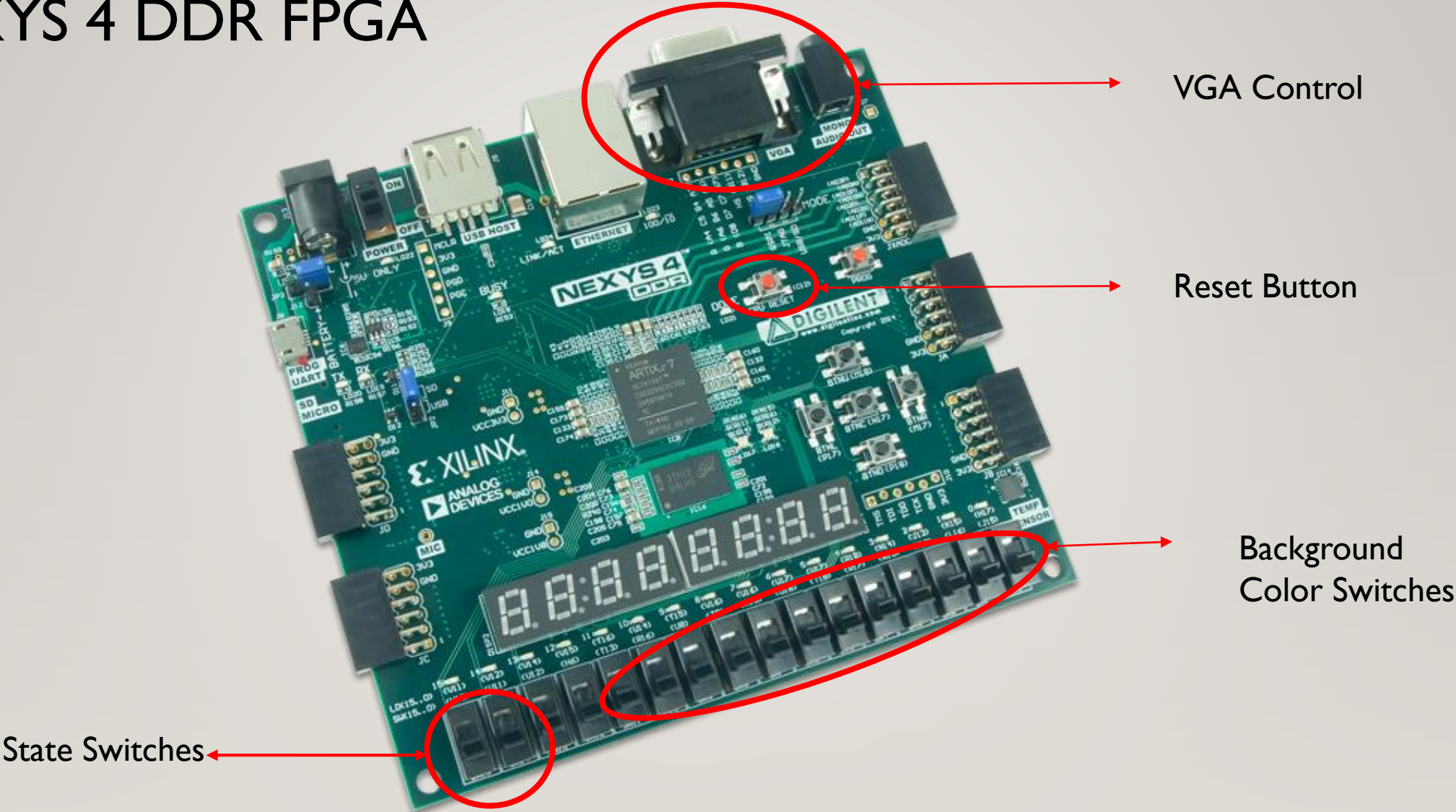
VGA CONTROLLER & FSM

Once the text file was created, it was then imported onto the VGA controller of the FPGA board. This was done using the provided VGA control program located on the class website.

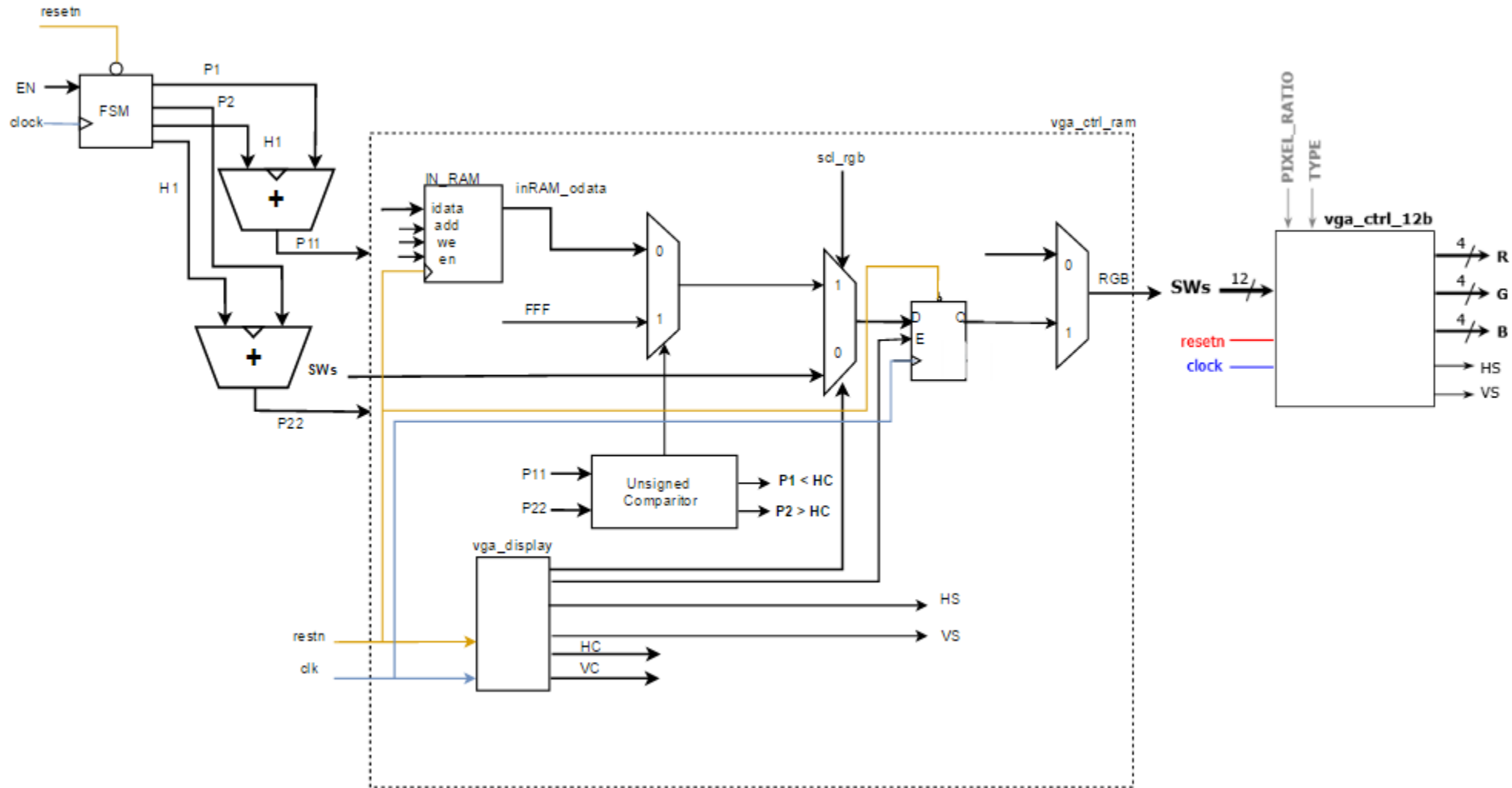
A Finite State Machine (FSM) was created using the Xilinx program. The state diagram is shown on the right.



NEXYS 4 DDR FPGA



Datapath Circuit



FSM CODE

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32
33 type state is (S1,S2,S3,S4);
34 signal y: state;
35
36
37 begin
38
39 Transitions: process (resetn, clock, en)
40 begin
41     if resetn = '0' then -- asynchronous signal
42         y <= S1; -- if resetn asserted, go to initial state: S1
43     elsif (clock'event and clock = '1') then
44         case y is
45             when S1 =>
46                 if en = "01" then y<=S2; else y<=S1; and if;
47             when S2 =>
48                 if en = "10" then y<=S3; else y<=S2; and if;
49             when S3 =>
50                 if en = "11" then y<=S4; else y<=S3; and if;
51             when S4 =>
52                 if en = "00" then y<=S1; else y<=S4; and if;
53         end case;
54     end if;
55 end process;
56
57 Outputs: process (y)
58 begin
59
60     case y is
61         when S1 => p1 <= "0000000000"; p2 <= "0010100000"; h1 <= "0101011000"; v1 <= "0000000000"; -- 0/160
62         when S2 => p1 <= "0001100100"; p2 <= "0100000000"; h1 <= "0000101000"; v1 <= "0000000000"; --100/256
63         when S3 => p1 <= "0001100100"; p2 <= "0010100000"; h1 <= "0010110100"; v1 <= "0000000000"; --100/160
64         when S4 => p1 <= "0000000000"; p2 <= "0000000001"; h1 <= "0010110100"; v1 <= "0001110000"; --none
65     end case;
66 end process;
67

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CHANGES TO PROVIDED VGA CODE

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101 iram: in_RAM generic map (NDATA => NDATA, FILE_IMG => FILE_IMG)
102 port map (clock, resetn, inRAM_idata, inRAM_add, inRAM_we, inRAM_en, inRAM_odata);
103
104 -- Writing to this RAM is disabled here, but we can always enable to load new data
105 inRAM_idata <= (others => '0'); inRAM_en <= '1'; inRAM_we <= '0';
106
107 -- The following formulas only works if the image is square and the width size is a power of 2.
108
109
110 inRAM_int <= (conv_integer(vcount_buf)-conv_integer(v1))*256+ (conv_integer(hcount_buf)-conv_integer(h1));
111 inRAM_add <=conv_std_logic_vector(inRAM_int, 16);
112
113 -- This is how we control what appears on the screen (only a square 2**NBPR x 2**NBPR)
114 sel_RGB <= '1' when (h1 < hcount_buf and hcount_buf < 2**NBPR+h1) and (v1< vcount_buf and vcount_buf < 2**NBPR+v1) else '0';
115
116 in_RGB <= X"FFFF" when (p1 < hcount_buf and hcount_buf < p2) else inRAM_odata (11 downto 0);
117
118 with sel_RGB select
119 |   in_RGB2 <= in_RGB when '1', -- only the 12 LSBs contain useful data
120 |   sw when others;
121

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Enjoy the STORY!

Boy: It's lonely being a single bit in this FPGA world. No one to walk through AND gates, OR gates. I've never even seen an XOR gate. I wonder if I'll ever find another bit to move through this integrated circuit.

Girl: I walk around wondering if I'll ever meet another bit. Even moving in an address bus to a multiplexer, there's no one to count on.

Narrator: One day, the girl bit gets on the address bus, and sees that she's not alone. She decides to use the shift register to move next to the boy.

Girl: "Hey, boy, I like your gray code".

Boy: "Sequence detected. Would you like to go through the XOR gate with me?"

Narrator: Binary Love is like an asynchronous circuit. Eventually, your circuit will get implemented. AWE!

