Homework 3

(Due date: June 9th)

PROBLEM 1 (20 PTS)

- Performance Analysis: Iterative Integer Divider vs. Pipelined Integer Divider (N=M=16):
- ✓ Iterative Divider Operation: Input data (16-bit A, 16-bit B) is read when the s signal (a one-cycle pulse) is asserted. After N+1=17 cycles, the result (16-bit Q, 16-bit R) is ready with done=1. Only after this, we can feed new data. To process data as fast as possible, we must issue s=1 (with new data) right after done=1.
- ✓ Pipelined Divider Operation: The circuit reads input data (16-bit A, 16-bit B) when the enable (E) signal is asserted. After a processing delay of N=16 cycles, the result (16-bit Q, 16-bit R) is ready and it is signaled by v=1. Unlike the iterative divider, we can continuously feed data (with E=1).

To process data as fast as possible, we must keep E=1 (with new data) every clock cycle.



- An operation is defined as the computation of one input data set. The processing cycles for P operations is given by:
 - ✓ Iterative Divider: It can compute P operations in $P \times (N+2)$ cycles (1 operation is processed in N+1 cycles, but there is a one cycle delay before we can start the next operation)
 - ✓ Pipelined Divider: It can compute P operations in N + (P-1) cycles.
- In the following table, complete the number of processing cycles, processing times (us), and operations per second.
 - \checkmark Use T_CLOCK = 8 ns (same as the PL_CLK = 125 MHz input clock in ZYBO or ZYBO Z7-10)
 - ✓ The metric Operations per second is an average based on a given number of operations. Example: if a circuit can process 20 operations in 1 us, then we have $\frac{20 \text{ operations}}{1 \text{ us}} = 20 \times 10^6$ operations per second.

	Iterative Divider			Pipelined Divider		
Р	Processing	Processing	Operations per	Processing	Processing	Operations per
	cycles	Time (us)	second	Cycles	Time (us)	second
100						
1000						
10000						
100000						

- For the Iterative Divider: Is the Operations per second constant? Yes or No? Why?
- For the Pipelined Divider: If $P \rightarrow \infty$:
 - ✓ How many operations are computed per cycle?
 - ✓ What is the Operations per second?

PROBLEM 2 (15 PTS)

• The figure shows the 2D DCT IP AXI4-Full Peripheral. It includes a Reconfigurable Partition (RP). For this particular PR implementation, we allow for N to be run-time reconfigurable (N=4,8,16), while we fix the parameters B=NO=8.



The input and output of the 2D DCT IP require more than 32 bits when N = 8, 16. This requires an Input interface to the iFIFO and an Output interface to the oFIFO. The figure shows the different interfaces for each N (4, 8, 16) when B=NO=8. As the FSM @ CLK_FX controls data flow from the input and the output, it depends on N.



- We want to build a dynamically reconfigurable system, where we can change N (4, 8, 16) at run-time:
 - The RP (Reconfigurable Partition) is depicted in the figure. The Output Buffer, the Input interface and the output interface to FIFOs, as well as the FSM @ CLK_FX are included in the RP. Why is this necessary?
 - ✓ Signal *rst*: Active-high signal generated by the FSM @ S_AXI_ACLK. It resets the 2D DCT IP, the red FSM, and the FIFOs. Why is this signal important? Do we assert this signal before or after performing DPR? Why?
 - ✓ The RP outputs toggle during DPR. What could happen to the contents of oFIFO during DPR?

PROBLEM 3 (65 PTS)

- Attach your Project Status Report (no more than 1 page, single-spaced, 2 columns, only one submission per group). This
 report should contain the current status of your project. For formatting, use the provided template (Final Project Report Template.docx). The sections included in the template are the ones required in your Final Report. At this stage,
 you are only required to:
 - ✓ Include a project description.
 - ✓ Specify a (tentative) allocation of tasks in: i) software routine, and ii) reconfigurable hardware.
 - If you plan to use run-time alterable hardware, indicate what tasks it will be doing.
 - ✓ Hardware Architecture: Include a Draft Block Diagram with (tentative) I/O description and I/O mechanism.
- As a guideline, a generic hardware/software partitioning of an application is depicted. The figure shows the tasks performed by the software routine and the PS peripherals we plan to use. It also shows a Block Diagram of the Hardware with generic I/Os. The Reconfigurable Partition (RP) is also depicted. Note that this hardware uses external I/Os to the PL.

