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*CENG3430 Rapid Prototyping of Digital Systems*

# Lecture 06: Use of Clock Sources and Peripheral Modules on ZedBoard

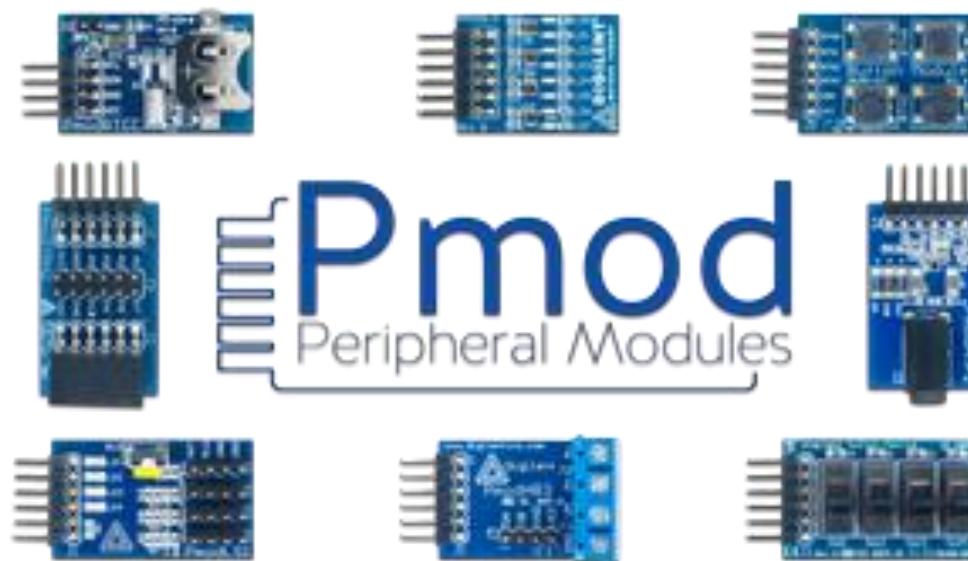
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# Outline

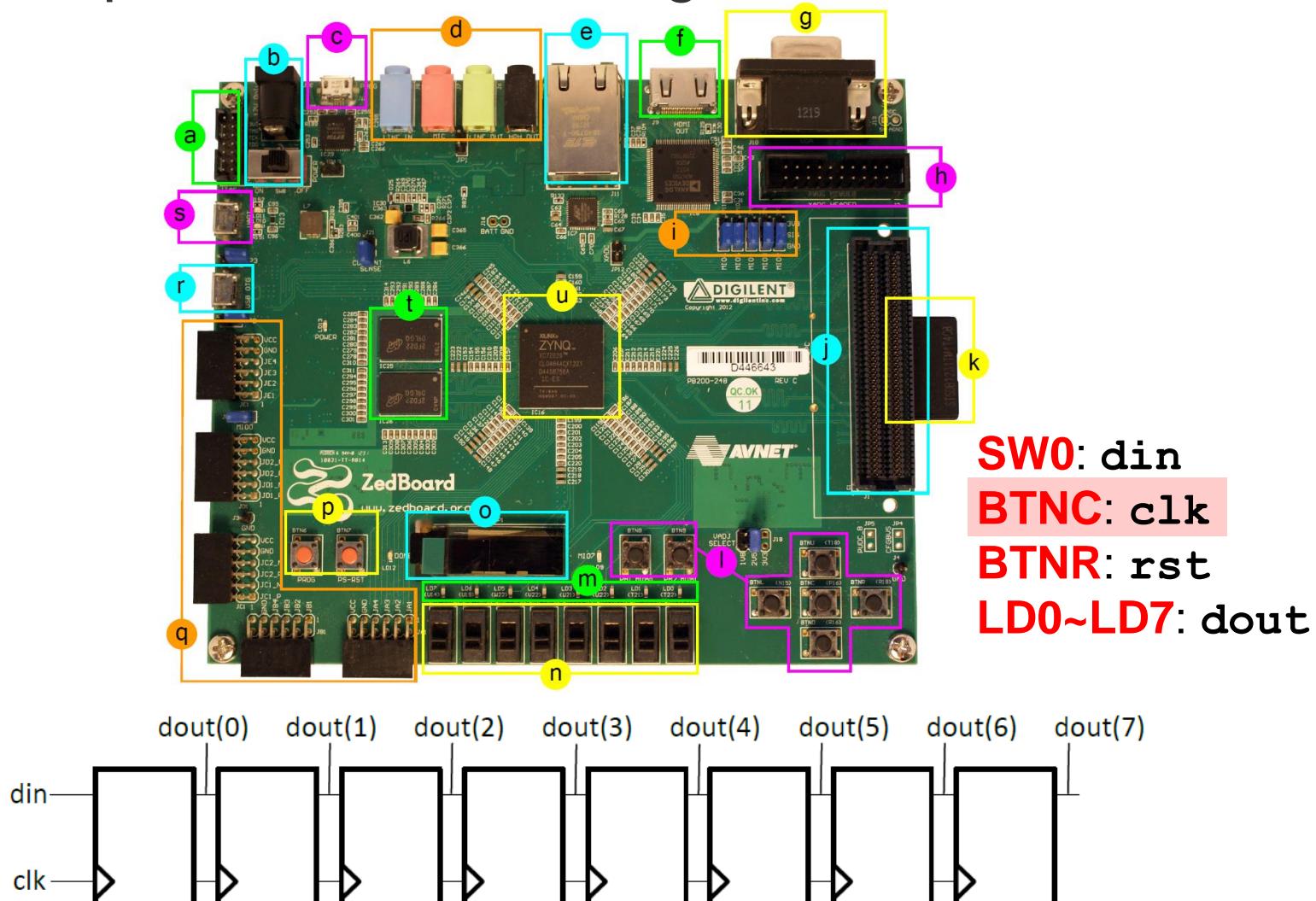
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- Digilent Pmod™ Peripheral Modules
  - Example: Seven Segment Display (Pmod SSD)





# Recall: What we have done in Lab04

- Serial-in-parallel-out Shift Register

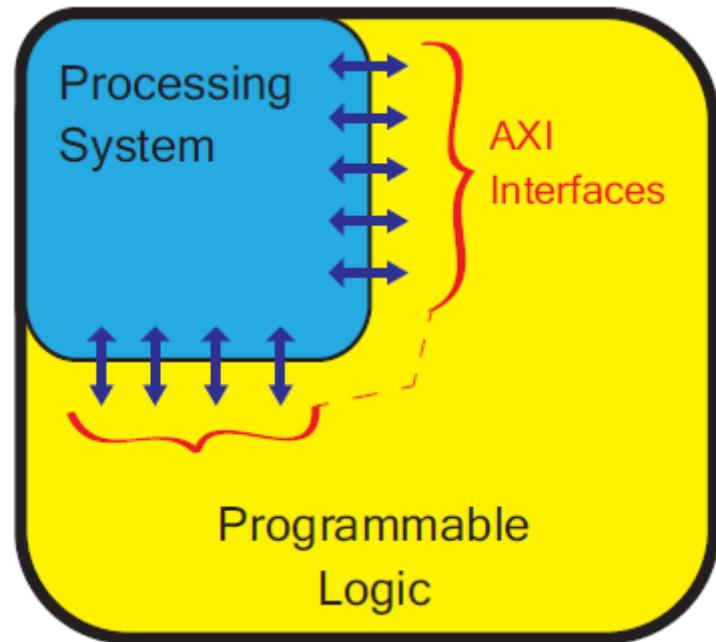


How to use “real” clock resource(s) on ZedBoard?

# Clock Sources on ZedBoard (1/2)

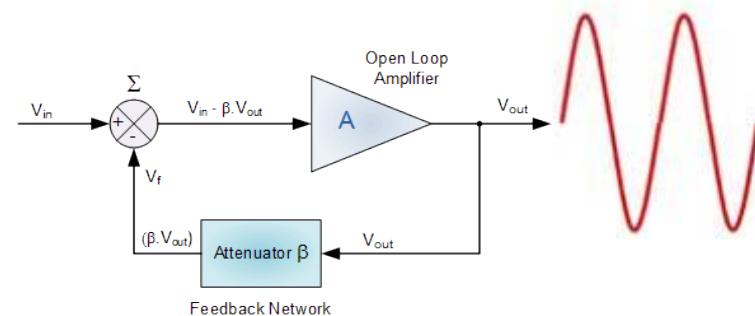
- Processing System**

- PS subsystem uses a dedicated **33.3333 MHz clock source** with series termination.
  - IC18, Fox 767-33.333333-12
- PS subsystem can generate up to **four phase-locked loop (PLL)** based clocks for the PL system.



- Programmable Logic**

- An on-board **100 MHz oscillator** supplies the PL subsystem clock input on bank 13, pin Y9.
  - IC17, Fox 767-100-136





# Clock Sources on ZedBoard (2/2)

- To use the on-board 100 MHz clock input on bank 13, pin Y9, you need to include the following in your XDC constraint file:

```
set_property IOSTANDARD LVCMOS33 [get_ports clk]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN Y9 [get_ports clk]
create_clock -period 10 [get_ports clk]
```

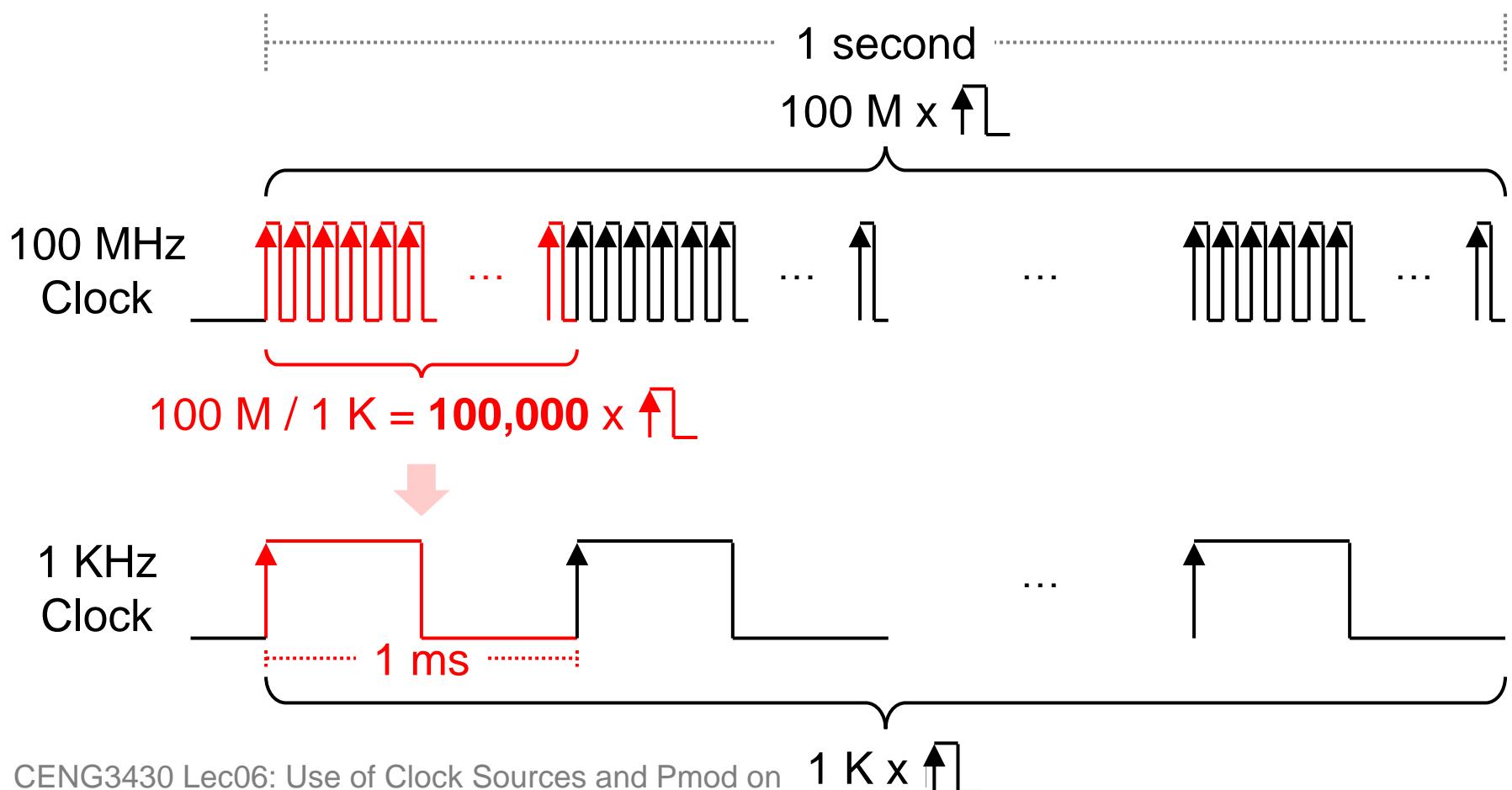
## Note:

- The constraint `-period 10` is only used to inform the tool that clock period is 10 ns (i.e., 100 MHz).*
- The constraint `-period 10` is NOT used to specify or generate a different clock period from a given clock source.*

# Clocks of Different Frequencies (1/2)



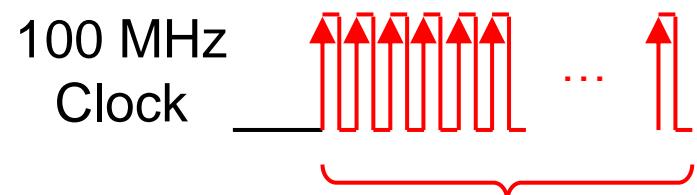
- In practice, we often need clocks of **different rates**.
- Example: How to create a **1 KHz** clock from the on-board **100 MHz** oscillator (`clk`)?



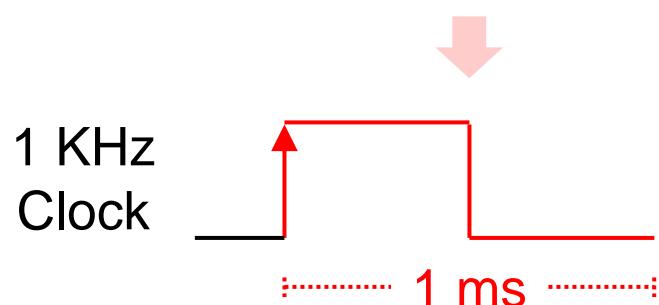
# Clocks of Different Frequencies (2/2)



- Trick: If we make a counter (**count**) that counts  $n$  cycles, then we can generate a pulse (**ms\_pulse**) when the counter is at any particular value  $n$ .



$$100 \text{ M} / 1 \text{ K} = 100,000 \times \text{↑}$$



```
signal ms_pulse: STD_LOGIC := '0';
signal count: integer := 0;
process (clk)
begin
    if rising_edge(clk) then
        if (count = (50000-1)) then
            ms_pulse <= not ms_pulse;
            count <= 0; -- reset count
        else
            count <= count + 1;
        end if;
    end if;
end process;
```

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- Write the code to create a **50 Hz** clock from the on-board **100 MHz** oscillator (**clk**).

# Clock Divider: Generate Your Clock!



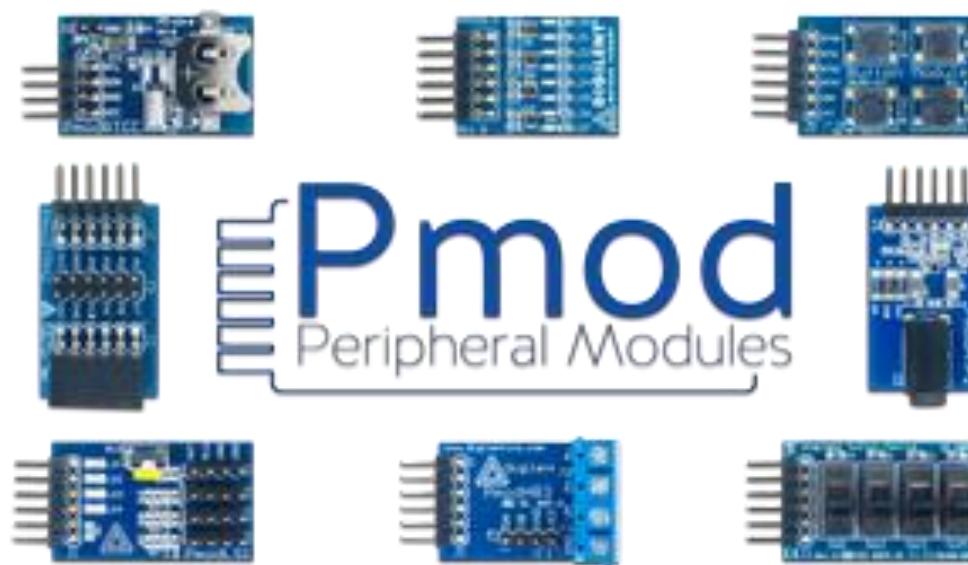
```
-- generate 1ms and 1s clocks
process(clk)
begin
    if rising_edge(clk) then
        if (s_count = 49999999) then
            s_pulse <= not s_pulse;
            s_count <= 0;
        else
            s_count <= s_count + 1;
        end if;
        if (ms_count = 4999) then
            ms_pulse <= not ms_pulse;
            ms_count <= 0;
        else
            ms_count <= ms_count + 1;
        end if;
    end if;
end process;

-- 1s synchronous process
process(s_pulse)
begin
    if rising_edge(s_pulse) then
        ...
    end if;
end process;

-- 1ms synchronous process
process(ms_pulse)
begin
    if rising_edge(ms_pulse) then
        ...
    end if;
end process;
```

# Outline

- Clock Sources of ZedBoard
- Digilent Pmod™ Peripheral Modules
  - Example: Seven Segment Display (Pmod SSD)



# Digilent Pmod™ Peripheral Modules



- **Pmod™ devices** are Digilent's line of small I/O interface boards.
  - That offer an ideal way to **extend the capabilities** of programmable logic and embedded control boards.
- Pmod modules communicate with system boards using **6, 8, or 12-pin connectors**.

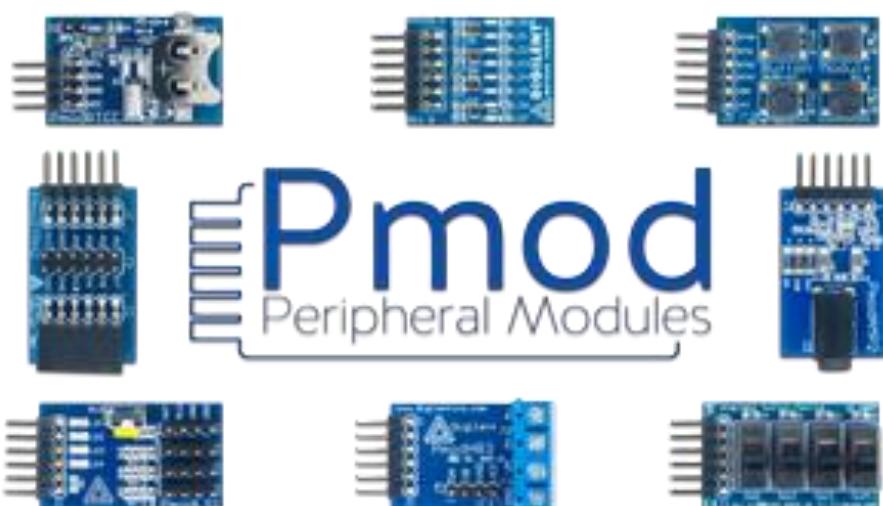
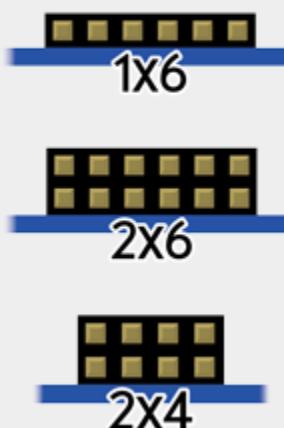
By function:

Input
Output
Communication
Connector
Power
Miscellaneous
Accessories

By protocol:

SPI
I <sup>2</sup> C
UART
GPIO

By pinout:

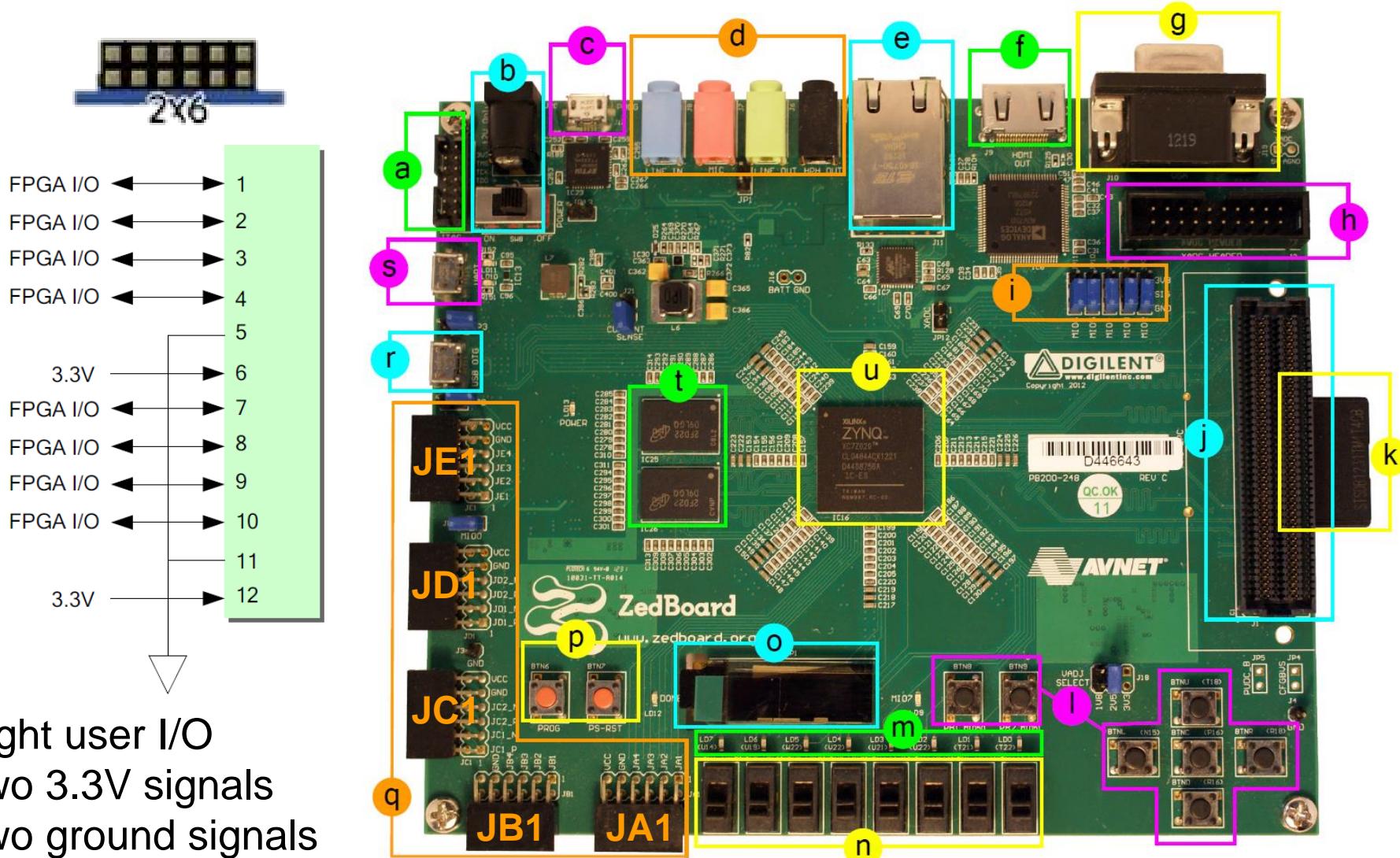


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# Pmod Ports on ZedBoard (1/3)



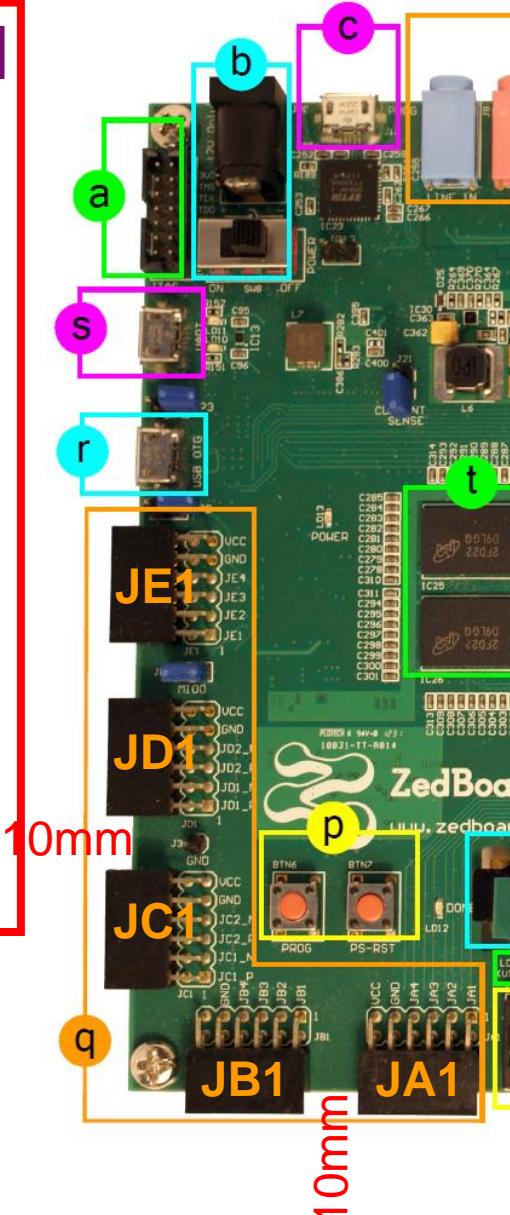
- ZedBoard has five Pmod™ compatible headers (2x6).



# Pmod Ports on ZedBoard (2/3)



- Four Pmod connectors (**JA1**, **JB1**, **JC1** and **JD1**) interface to the **PL-side** of the Zynq-7000 AP SoC.
  - **JA1~JD1** connect to Bank 13 (3.3V).
  - **JA1~JD1** are placed in adjacent pairs on the board edge.
    - The clearance between JA1 and JB1 and between JC1 and JD1 are both **10mm**.
  - **JC1** and **JD1** are aligned in a dual configuration and routed differentially.
    - To support LVDS running at 525Mbs.
- Pmod (**JE1**) connects to the **PS-side** on MIO pins [0,9-15] in MIO Bank 0/500 (3.3V).





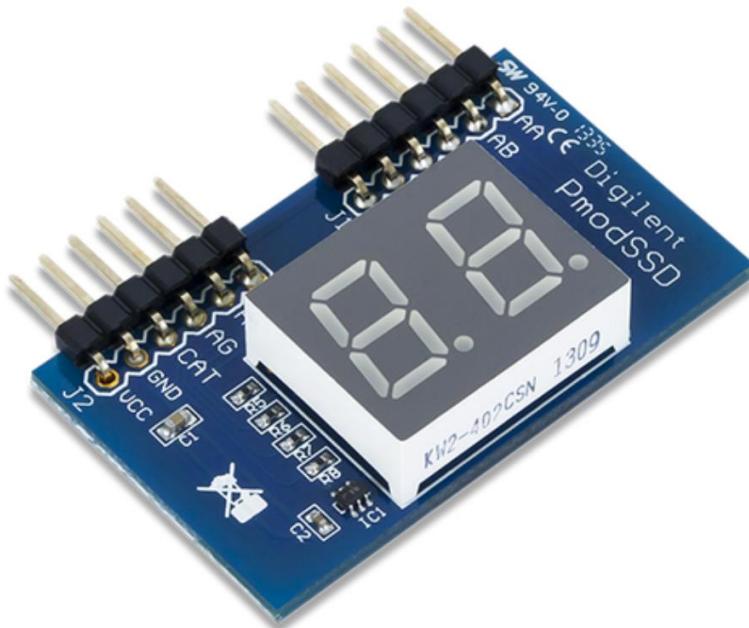
# Pmod Ports on ZedBoard (3/3)

Pmod	Signal Name	Zynq pin	Pmod	Signal Name	Zynq pin
JA1	JA1	Y11	JB1	JB1	W12
	JA2	AA11		JB2	W11
	JA3	Y10		JB3	V10
	JA4	AA9		JB4	W8
	JA7	AB11		JB7	V12
	JA8	AB10		JB8	W10
	JA9	AB9		JB9	V9
	JA10	AA8		JB10	V8

Pmod	Signal Name	Zynq pin	Pmod	Signal Name	Zynq pin
JC1 Differential	JC1_N	AB6	JD1 Differential	JD1_N	W7
	JC1_P	AB7		JD1_P	V7
	JC2_N	AA4		JD2_N	V4
	JC2_P	Y4		JD2_P	V5
	JC3_N	T6		JD3_N	W5
	JC3_P	R6		JD3_P	W6
	JC4_N	U4		JD4_N	U5
	JC4_P	T4		JD4_P	U6

Pmod	Signal Name	Zynq pin	MIO
JE1 MIO Pmod	JE1	A6	MIO13
	JE2	G7	MIO10
	JE3	B4	MIO11
	JE4	C5	MIO12
	JE7	G6	MIO0
	JE8	C4	MIO9
	JE9	B6	MIO14
	JE10	E6	MIO15

# Example: Pmod Seven Segment Display



Digilent

Pmod SSD: Seven-segment  
Display

\$6.99

SKU:  
410-126

Current Stock:  
158

Support Materials

Datasheet

Schematics (PDF)

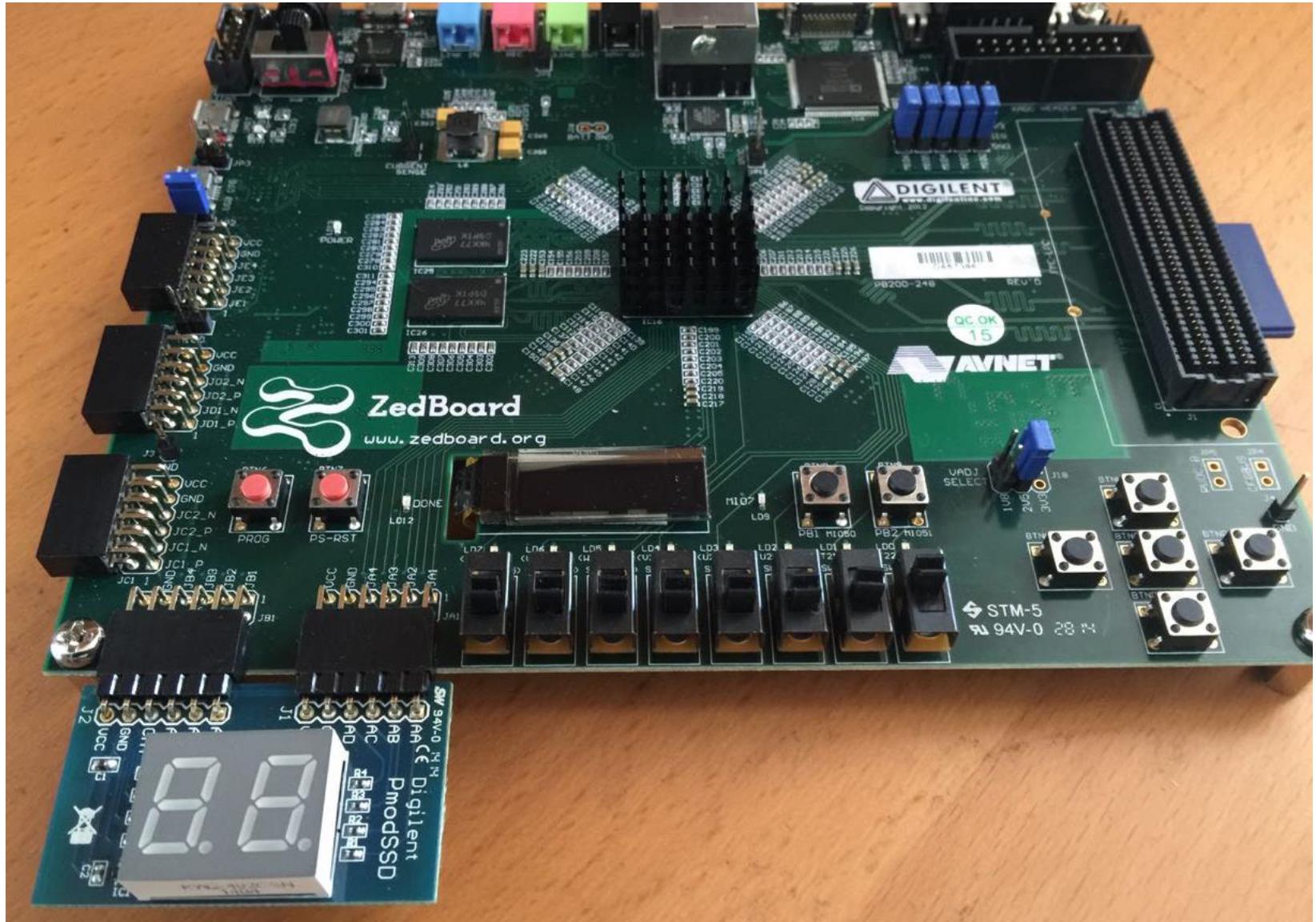
For all other material:

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- Product Description
  - The Pmod SSD is a two-digit seven-segment display.
  - Users can toggle through GPIO signals which digit is currently on **at a rate of 50 Hz or greater.**
    - To achieve persistence-of-vision to give the effect of both digits being lit up simultaneously.

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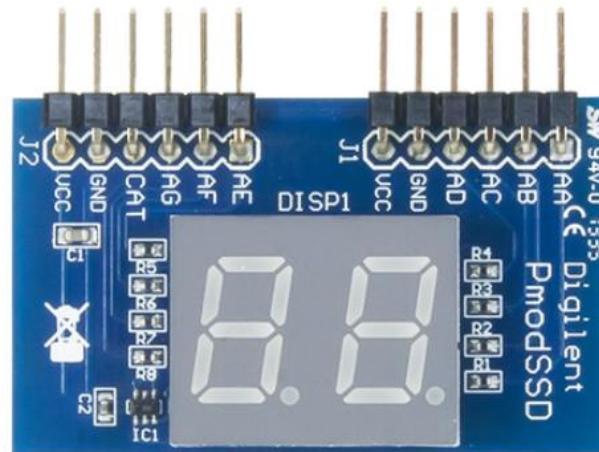
# Pmod SSD: Connect to ZedBoard



# Pmod SSD: Time Multiplexing

- The two-digit displays **share the same seven pins** to control the seven segments of each display
  - One pin (e.g., `sel`) is to select which display to drive.

1: left digit  
0: right digit



- To display both digits, we need to alternate between the two digits faster than the eye can perceive.
  - It look like both digits are displayed at the same time.
  - For example, activate the 7-segment on the right then left at a rate of 50 Hz and so on. ([how to?](#))

# Pmod SSD: Pinout Description Table

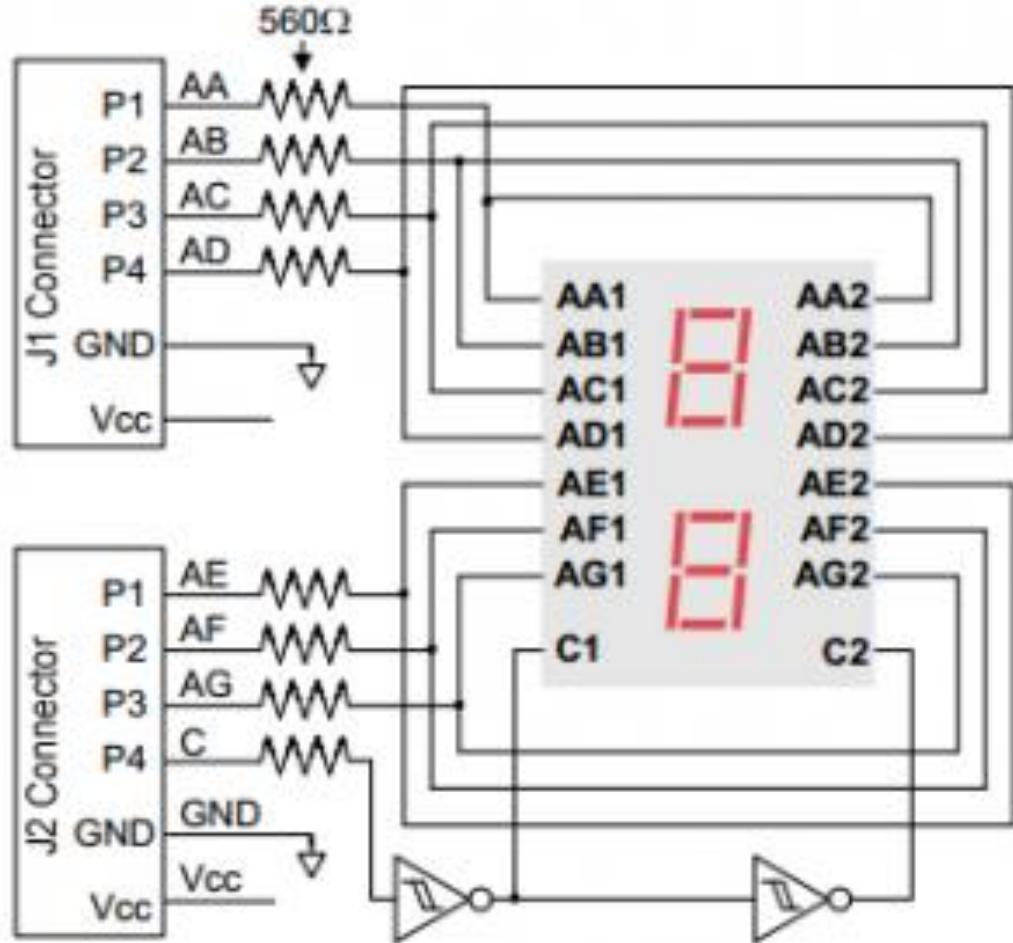


Header J1

Pin	Signal	Description
1	AA	Segment A
2	AB	Segment B
3	AC	Segment C
4	AD	Segment D
5	GND	Power Supply Ground
6	VCC	Positive Power Supply

Header J2

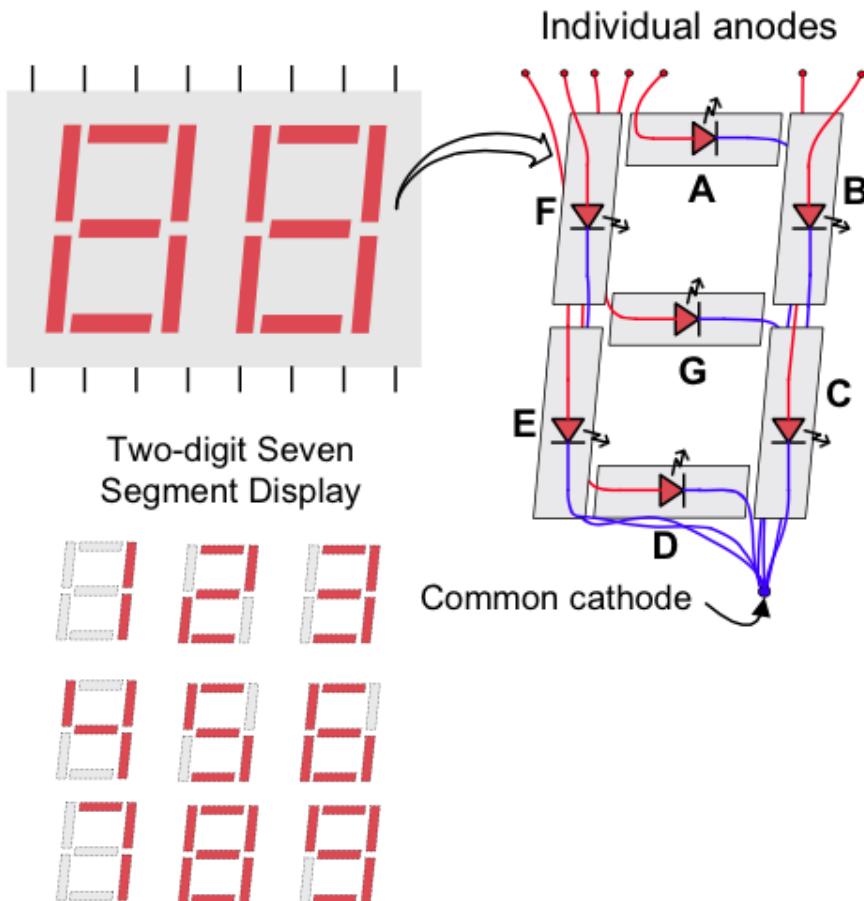
Pin	Signal	Description
1	AE	Segment E
2	AF	Segment F
3	AG	Segment G
4	C	Digit Selection pin <b>sel</b>
5	GND	Power Supply Ground
6	VCC	Positive Power Supply



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# Pmod SSD: LED Mapping and Activation

- Each digit has seven LEDs, labeled **A** through **G**.
- To make the digits? Activating LED values as below:



Digit	Segments	Value (ssd)
0	A B C D E F	"1111110"
1	B C	"0110000"
2	A B D E G	"1101101"
3	A B C D G	"1111001"
4	B C F G	"0110011"
5	A C D F G	"1011011"
6	A C D E F G	"1011111"
7	A B C	"1110000"
8	A B C D E F G	"1111111"
9	A B C F G	"1110011"

# Pmod SSD: XDC Constraint File

- To drive the Pmod SSD, you also need the following:

```

set_property IOSTANDARD LVCMOS33 [get_ports ssd]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN Y11 [get_ports {ssd[6]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN AA11 [get_ports {ssd[5]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN Y10 [get_ports {ssd[4]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN AA9 [get_ports {ssd[3]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN W12 [get_ports {ssd[2]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN W11 [get_ports {ssd[1]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN V10 [get_ports {ssd[0]}]
set_property IOSTANDARD LVCMOS33 [get_ports sel]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN W8 [get_ports sel]

```

Seven  
Segments  
(ssd)

Digit  
Selection  
(sel)

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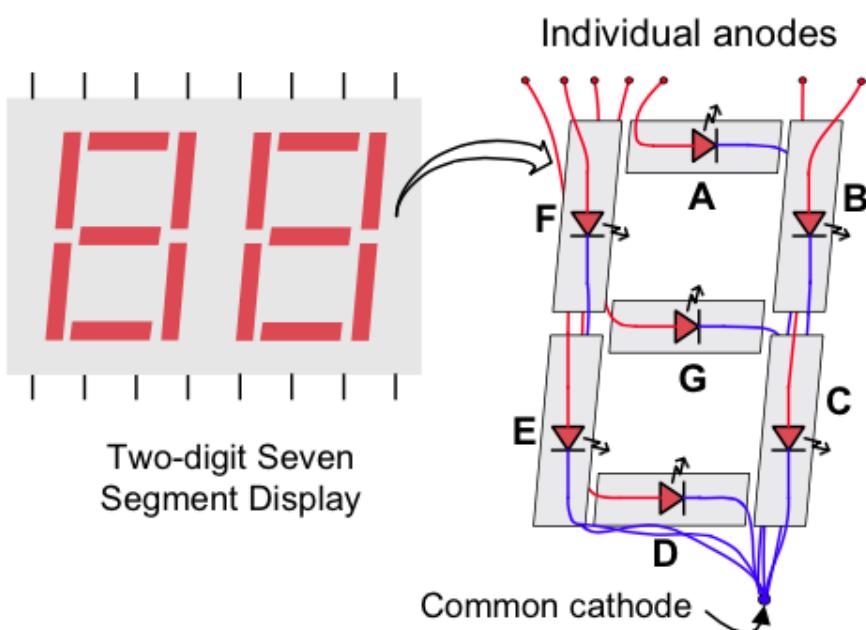


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- Show how to activate the LED values (**ssd**) for hexadecimal digits:  
**A, b, C, d, E, F.**



Digit	Segments	Value (ssd)
0	A B C D E F	"1111110"
1	B C	"0110000"
2	A B D E G	"1101101"
3	A B C D G	"1111001"
4	B C F G	"0110011"
5	A C D F G	"1011011"
6	A C D E F G	"1011111"
7	A B C	"1110000"
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A		
b		
C		
d		
E		
F		

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