

TASKS

TASK: Verify that these 32 bits (0x0042a303) correspond to instruction `lw t1, 4(t0)` in the RISC-V architecture.

0x0042a303 → 000000000100 00101 010 00110 0000011

imm_{11:0} = 000000000100

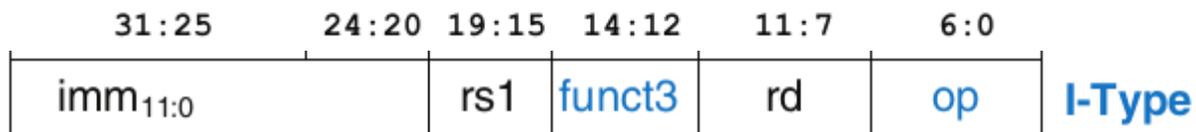
rs1 = 00101 = x5 (t0)

funct3 = 010

rd = 00110 = x6 (t1)

op = 0000011

From Appendix B of DDCARV:



op	funct3	funct7	Type	Instruction	Description	Operation
0000011 (3)	010	-	I	<code>lw rd, imm(rs1)</code>	load word	rd = [Address] _{31:0}

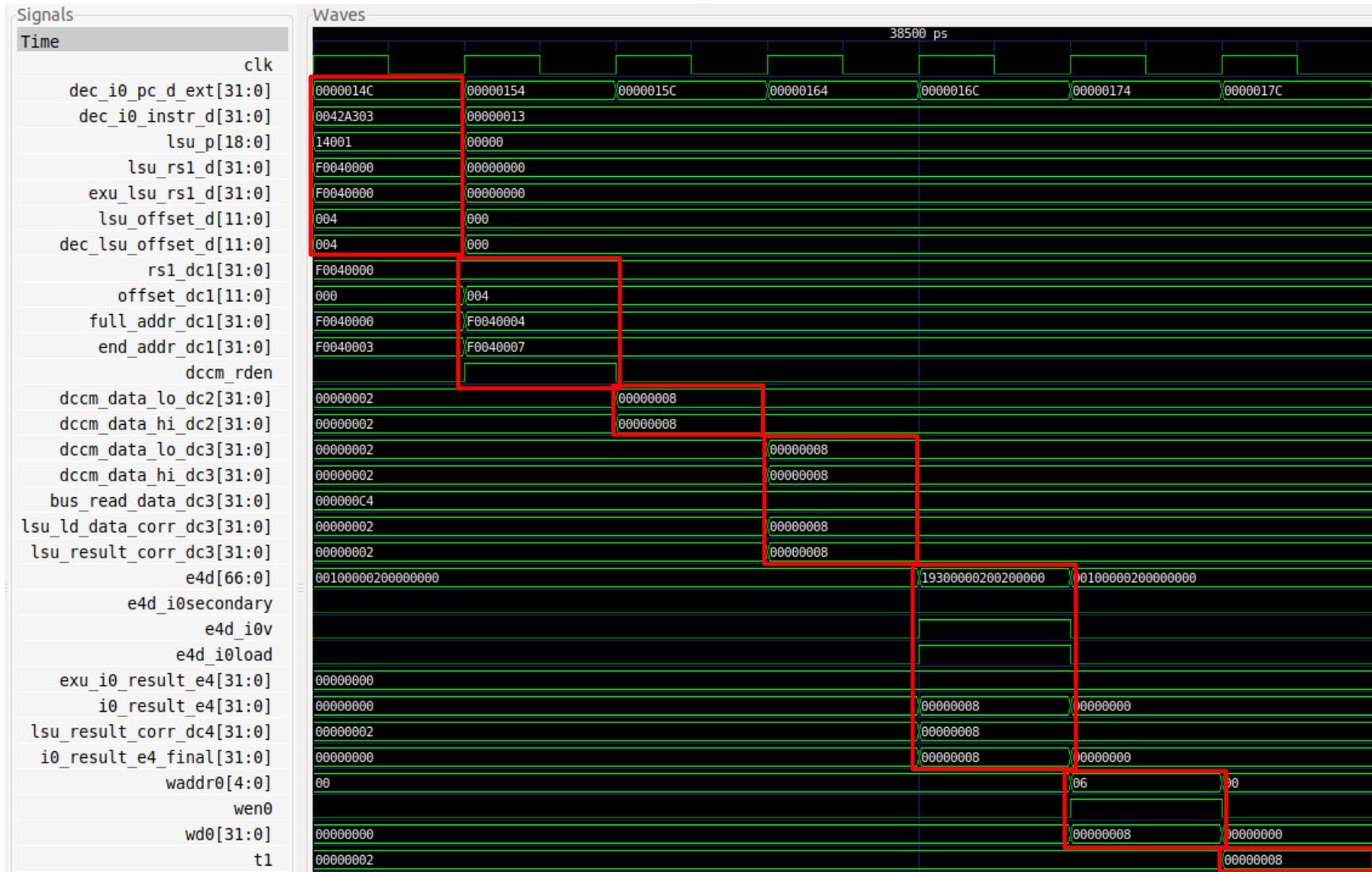
Name	Register Number	Use
zero	x0	Constant value 0
ra	x1	Return address
sp	x2	Stack pointer
gp	x3	Global pointer
tp	x4	Thread pointer
t0-2	x5-7	Temporary variables
s0/fp	x8	Saved variable / Frame pointer
s1	x9	Saved variable
a0-1	x10-11	Function arguments / Return values
a2-7	x12-17	Function arguments
s2-11	x18-27	Saved variables
t3-6	x28-31	Temporary variables

TASK: Replicate the simulation from Figure 4 on your own computer. Follow the next steps (as described in detail in Section 7 of the GSG):

- If necessary, generate the simulation binary (*Vrvfpgasim*).
- In PlatformIO, open the project provided at: *[RVfpgaPath]/RVfpga/Labs/Lab13/LW_Instruction_DCCM*.
- Correct the path to the RVfpga simulation binary (*Vrvfpgasim*) in file *platformio.ini*.
- Generate the simulation trace with Verilator (Generate Trace).
- Open the trace using GTKWave.
- Use file *scriptLoad.tcl* (provided at *[RVfpgaPath]/RVfpga/Labs/Lab13/LW_Instruction_DCCM/*) to open the same signals as the ones shown in Figure 4. For that purpose, on GTKWave, click on *File → Read Tcl Script File* and select the *scriptLoad.tcl* file.
- Click on *Zoom In* () several times and move to 18600ps.

Solution provided in main document of Lab 13.

TASK: Extend the simulation from Figure 4 to include the signals shown in Figure 6, which are explained below.



TASK: Locate the structures and signals from Figure 6 in the Verilog files of the SweRV EH1 processor.

Solution not provided.

TASK: Include signal `lsu_p` in the simulation from Figure 4 and analyse its bits according to this description.

See the simulation above. We can see that when the load is decoded `lsu_p = 0x14001`:

- `valid = 1`. The instruction is valid.
- `load = 1`. It is a load.
- `word = 1`. The size of the access is word.

TASK: Analyse in the Verilog code the path followed by the two inputs to the LSU (`exu_lsu_rs1_d` and `dec_lsu_offset_d`) from the sources where they are obtained. Several modules are involved in this process: **dec**, **exu**, **lsu**. Analyse the behaviour of these signals for other instructions.

```

298     assign exu_lsu_rs1_d[31:0] = ({32{ ~dec_i0_rs1_bypass_en_d & dec_i0_lsu_d } & gpr_i0_rs1_d[31:0] } |
299     {32{ ~dec_i1_rs1_bypass_en_d & ~dec_i0_lsu_d & dec_i1_lsu_d } & gpr_i1_rs1_d[31:0] } |
300     {32{ dec_i0_rs1_bypass_en_d & dec_i0_lsu_d } & i0_rs1_bypass_data_d[31:0] } |
301     {32{ dec_i1_rs1_bypass_en_d & ~dec_i0_lsu_d & dec_i1_lsu_d } & i1_rs1_bypass_data_d[31:0] });

```

The base address can come from the Register File or from the Bypass, either from Way-0 or Way-1.

```

1064     assign dec_lsu_offset_d[11:0] =
1065     ({12{ i0_dp.lsu & i0_dp.load }} & i0[31:20]) |
1066     ({12{ ~i0_dp.lsu & i1_dp.lsu & i1_dp.load }} & i1[31:20]) |
1067     ({12{ i0_dp.lsu & i0_dp.store }} & {i0[31:25],i0[11:7]}) |
1068     ({12{ ~i0_dp.lsu & i1_dp.lsu & i1_dp.store }} & {i1[31:25],i1[11:7]});

```

The offset comes from the 32 bits of the instruction at Way-0 or Way-1.

TASK: Analyse the implementation of the two adders from the DC1 stage, which are instantiated in module `Isu_lsc_ctl`. We provide guidance in Figure 7 below by showing the implementation of these adders.

File `beh_lib.sv`:

```
251 module rvlsadder
252 (
253     input logic [31:0] rs1,
254     input logic [11:0] offset,
255
256     output logic [31:0] dout
257 );
258
259     logic          cout;
260     logic          sign;
261
262     logic [31:12]  rs1_inc;
263     logic [31:12]  rs1_dec;
264
265     assign {cout,dout[11:0]} = {1'b0,rs1[11:0]} + {1'b0,offset[11:0]};
266
267     assign rs1_inc[31:12] = rs1[31:12] + 1;
268
269     assign rs1_dec[31:12] = rs1[31:12] - 1;
270
271     assign sign = offset[11];
272
273     assign dout[31:12] = ({20{ sign ^~ cout}} & rs1[31:12]) |
274     | ({20{ ~sign & cout}} & rs1_inc[31:12]) |
275     | ({20{ sign & ~cout}} & rs1_dec[31:12]);
276
277 endmodule // rvlsadder
```

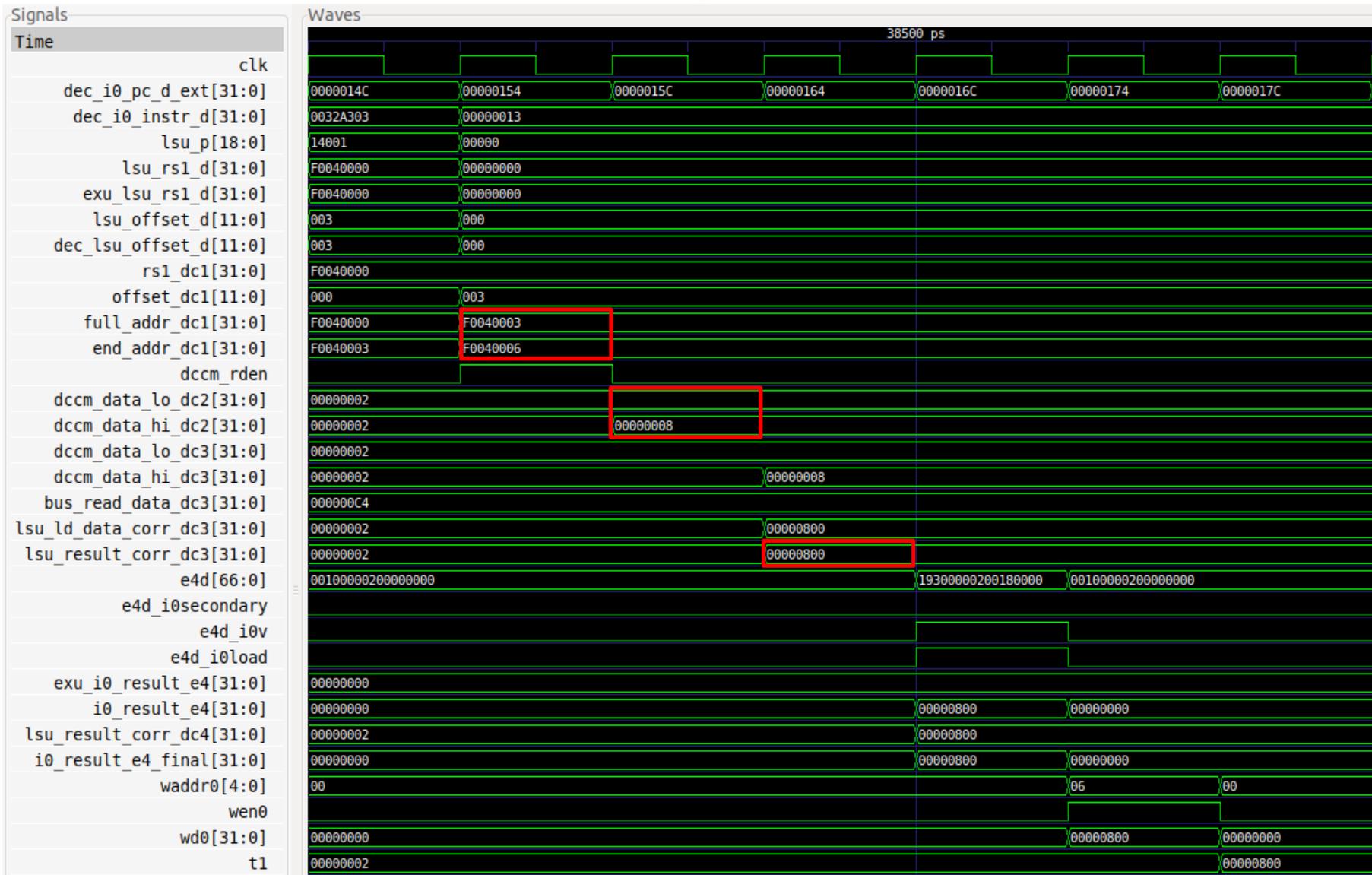
File `Isu_lsc_ctl.sv`:

```

199 // Calculate start/end address for load/store
200 assign addr_offset_dc1[2:0] = ({3{lsu_pkt_dc1.half}} & 3'b01) | ({3{lsu_pkt_dc1.word}} & 3'b11) | ({3{lsu_pkt_dc1.dword}} & 3'b111);
201 assign end_addr_offset_dc1[12:0] = {offset_dc1[11],offset_dc1[11:0]} + {9'b0,addr_offset_dc1[2:0]};
202 assign full_end_addr_dc1[31:0] = rsl_dc1[31:0] + {{19{end_addr_offset_dc1[12]}};end_addr_offset_dc1[12:0]};
203 assign end_addr_dc1[31:0] = full_end_addr_dc1[31:0];

```

TASK: In the program from Figure 2, try different access sizes (byte, half-word) and unaligned accesses. To do so, change the offset or the access type from `lw` to `lb` (*load byte*) or `lh` (*load half-word*). For example, if you change the offset from 4 to 3, the load word instruction performs an unaligned access to the 32-bits starting at address 0xF0040003, as shown in Figure 8. Analyse the value of signals `lsu_addr_dc1[31:0]` (or `full_addr_dc1[31:0]`) and `end_addr_dc1[31:0]` under these different situations. In Lab 20 we analyse this situation from the internals of the DCCM.



The values of signals `lsu_addr_dc1[31:0]` and `end_addr_dc1[31:0]` communicate to Memory the starting and final address of the access: `0xF0040003` and `0xF0040007`. Two words are read (`0x00000002` and `0x00000008`) and the final word is extracted in the Aligner (`0x00000800`).

TASK: In the program from Figure 2, compare the value of signals `dccm_data_lo_dc2[31:0]` and `dccm_data_hi_dc2[31:0]` when doing a `lw` to address `0xF0040004` and to address `0xF0040003`.

Above you can see the two simulations.

- `lw` to address `0xF0040004`

```
dccm_data_lo_dc2[31:0]: 0x00000008  
dccm_data_hi_dc2[31:0]: 0x00000008
```

Both signals contain the value read from the requested address.

- `lw` to address `0xF0040003`

```
dccm_data_lo_dc2[31:0]: 0x00000002 (value from address 0xF0040000)  
dccm_data_hi_dc2[31:0]: 0x00000008 (value from address 0xF0040004)
```

TASK: Analyse the Align, Merge, and Error Check logic used in the Verilog code in modules `lsu_dccm_ctl` and `lsu_ecc`.

Solution not provided.

TASK: In the program from Figure 2, compare the value of signal `lsu_result_corr_dc3[31:0]` when doing a `lw` to address `0xF0040004` and to address `0xF0040003`.

Above you can see the two simulations.

- lw to address 0xF0040004

```
lsu_result_corr_dc3[31:0]: 0x00000008
```

It contains the value read from the requested address.

- lw to address 0xF0040003

```
lsu_result_corr_dc3[31:0]: 0x00000800
```

It contains the value read from the requested address. Take into account that RISC-V is little-endian.

TASK: Analyse in the Verilog code how signal `addr_external_dc1` was computed in the DC1 stage in module `lsu_addrcheck`.

```

80   if (DCCM_ENABLE == 1) begin: Gen_dccm_enable
81     // Start address check
82     rvrangecheck #(.CCM_SADR(`RV_DCCM_SADR),
83                   .CCM_SIZE(`RV_DCCM_SIZE)) start_addr_dccm_rangecheck (
84       .addr(start_addr_dc1[31:0]),
85       .in_range(start_addr_in_dccm_dc1),
86       .in_region(start_addr_in_dccm_region_dc1)
87   );
88
89     // End address check
90     rvrangecheck #(.CCM_SADR(`RV_DCCM_SADR),
91                   .CCM_SIZE(`RV_DCCM_SIZE)) end_addr_dccm_rangecheck (
92       .addr(end_addr_dc1[31:0]),
93       .in_range(end_addr_in_dccm_dc1),
94       .in_region(end_addr_in_dccm_region_dc1)
95   );
96   end else begin: Gen_dccm_disable // block: Gen_dccm_enable
97     assign start_addr_in_dccm_dc1 = '0;
98     assign start_addr_in_dccm_region_dc1 = '0;
99     assign end_addr_in_dccm_dc1 = '0;
100    assign end_addr_in_dccm_region_dc1 = '0;
101  end
102  if (ICCM_ENABLE == 1) begin : check_iccm
103    assign addr_in_iccm = (start_addr_dc1[31:28] == ICCM_REGION);
104  end
105  else begin
106    assign addr_in_iccm = 1'b0;
107  end
108  // PIC memory check
109  // Start address check
110  rvrangecheck #(.CCM_SADR(`RV_PIC_BASE_ADDR),
111                .CCM_SIZE(`RV_PIC_SIZE)) start_addr_pic_rangecheck (
112      .addr(start_addr_dc1[31:0]),
113      .in_range(start_addr_in_pic_dc1),
114      .in_region(start_addr_in_pic_region_dc1)
115  );
116
117  // End address check
118  rvrangecheck #(.CCM_SADR(`RV_PIC_BASE_ADDR),
119                .CCM_SIZE(`RV_PIC_SIZE)) end_addr_pic_rangecheck (
120      .addr(end_addr_dc1[31:0]),
121      .in_range(end_addr_in_pic_dc1),
122      .in_region(end_addr_in_pic_region_dc1)
123  );
124
125  assign addr_in_dccm_dc1      = (start_addr_in_dccm_dc1 & end_addr_in_dccm_dc1);
126  assign addr_in_pic_dc1      = (start_addr_in_pic_dc1 & end_addr_in_pic_dc1);
127
128  assign addr_external_dc1    = ~(addr_in_dccm_dc1 | addr_in_pic_dc1); //~addr.in_dccm_region_dc1;

```

Module **rvrangecheck** is used to check the requested address:

- If it is within the DCCM/ICCM address range (lines 80-107), in which case signal `addr_in_dccm_dc1 = 1`
- If it is within the PIC address range (lines 108-123), in which case signal `addr_in_pic_dc1 = 1`
- If it is not in any of these address ranges, then it is at the DDR External Memory, in which case: `addr_external_dc1 = 1`

TASK: Verify that these 32 bits (0x0062a023) correspond to instruction `sw t1, 0(t0)` in the RISC-V architecture.

0x0062a023 → 0000000 00110 00101 010 00000 0100011

imm_{11:0} = 000000000000

rs2 = 00110 = x6 (t1)

rs1 = 00101 = x5 (t0)

funct3 = 010

op = 0100011

From Appendix B of DDCARV:



op	funct3	funct7	Type	Instruction	Description	Operation
0100011 (35)	010	–	S	<code>sw rs2, imm(rs1)</code>	store word	<code>[Address]_{31:0} = rs2</code>

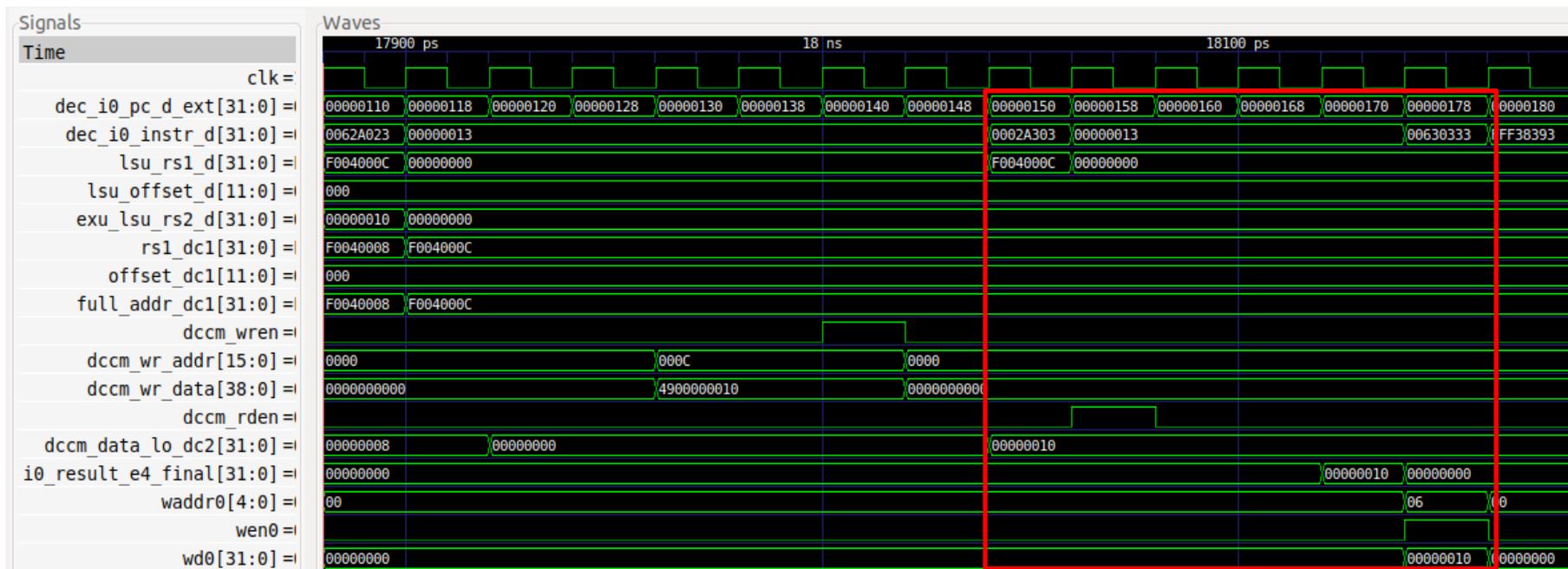
TASK: Replicate the simulation from Figure 12 on your own computer. Follow the next steps (as described in detail in Section 7 of the GSG):

- If necessary, generate the simulation binary (*Vrvfpgasim*).

- Open in PlatformIO the project provided at: `[RVfpgaPath]/RVfpga/Labs/Lab13/SW_Instruction_DCCM`.
- Update the path to the RVfpga simulation binary (`Vrvfpgasim`) in file `platformio.ini`.
- Generate the simulation trace with Verilator (Generate Trace).
- Open the trace on GTKWave.
- Use file `scriptStore.tcl` (provided at `[RVfpgaPath]/RVfpga/Labs/Lab13/SW_Instruction_DCCM`) to display the same signals as the ones shown in Figure 4. For that purpose, in GTKWave, click on `File → Read Tcl Script File` and select the `scriptStore.tcl` file.
- Click on `Zoom In` () several times and move to 17900ps.

Solution provided in the main document of Lab 13.

TASK: Analyse in the simulation the load instruction that follows the store to verify that the value has been correctly written to the DCCM. You will need to add some of the signals from Figure 4 and Figure 6 to analyse the load.



TASK: Extend the basic analysis performed in this section for the `sw` instruction in a similar way as the advanced analysis performed for the `lw` instruction in Section 2.B.

Solution not provided.

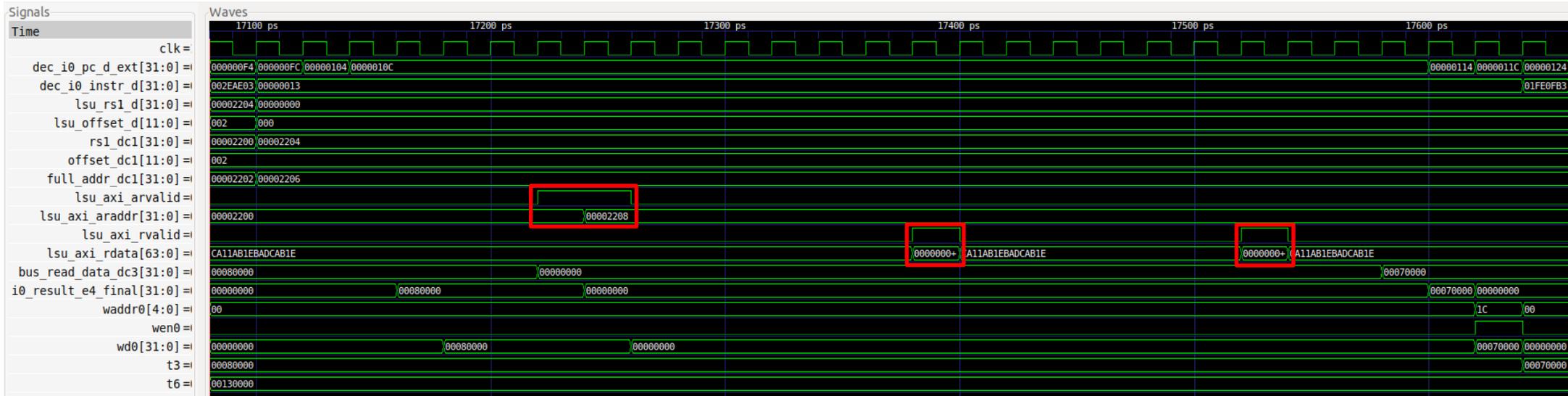
TASK: Analyse unaligned stores to the DCCM, as well as sub-word stores: store byte (`sb`) or store half-word (`sh`).

Solution not provided.

TASK: Replicate the simulation from Figure 17 on your own computer. Use file `test_Blocking.tcl` (provided at `[RVfpgaPath]/RVfpga/Labs/Lab13/LW_Instruction_ExtMemory`). Zoom In () several times and move to 16940ps.

Solution provided in the main document of Lab 13.

TASK: Modify the program from Figure 15 in order to analyse an unaligned load access that needs to send two addresses to the External Memory through the AXI Bus.



TASK: Add to the simulation the signals that control the multiplexers (in the DC3 and Commit stages in Figure 16) that select the data provided by the DDR External Memory. You can find these multiplexers at the following lines of the Verilog code:

- 2:1 Multiplexer: Line 264 of module `lsu_lsc_ctl`.
- 3:1 Multiplexer: Line 2277 of module `dec_decode_ctl`.

A `.tcl` file that you can use is provided at: `[RVfpgaPath]/RVfpga/Labs/Lab13/LW_Instruction_ExtMemory/test_Blocking_Extended.tcl`



TASK: It can also be interesting to analyse the AXI Bus implementation for accessing the DRAM Controller, for which you can inspect the `lsu_bus_intf` module.

Solution not provided.

TASK: Replicate the simulation from Figure 18 on your own computer. Use file `scriptStoreBuffer.tcl` (provided at `[RVfpgaPath]/RVfpga/Labs/Lab13/SW_Instruction_DCCM`). Zoom In () several times and move to 17900ps.

Solution provided in the main document of Lab 13.

TASK: Modify the program from Figure 11 in order to have two outstanding stores and perform a similar analysis to the one from Figure

18.

Solution not provided.