

Elektronische Schaltungen und Systeme

Electronic Circuits and Systems

1 Introduction and Overview

1.1 Organization of the Course *ESS*

Course *ESS* [1] teaches *Elektronische Schaltungen und Systeme (Electronic Circuit and Systems)* in the master degree program *Elektro- und Informationstechnik* of *OTH Regensburg*.

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Organization: approximately...

- 50% theory and its application using software (*Matlab/Simulink* and other software tools),
- 50% practical training in the laboratory,

Focus of Course *ESS*

- Unified system level design and application of mixed analog and digital circuitry.
- Fundamentals of modeling linear analog / digital control loops, short: Fuzzy example.
- Main application example is a digitally controlled DC/DC buck converter.
- We will do some model-based design (*MBD*); however, understanding what we do!

Assumed model is linear linear and time-invariant (LTI) control loop featuring a single input (X), a single output (Y) and a single interferer (I), as illustrated in Fig. 1.1.

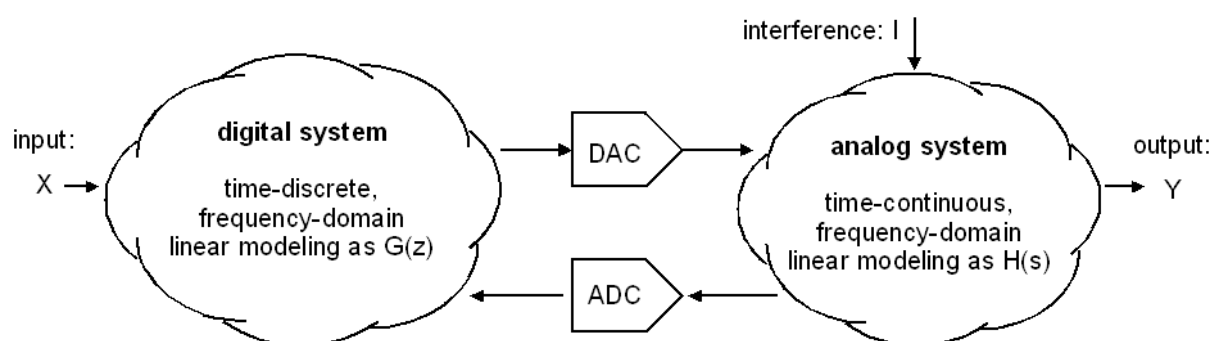
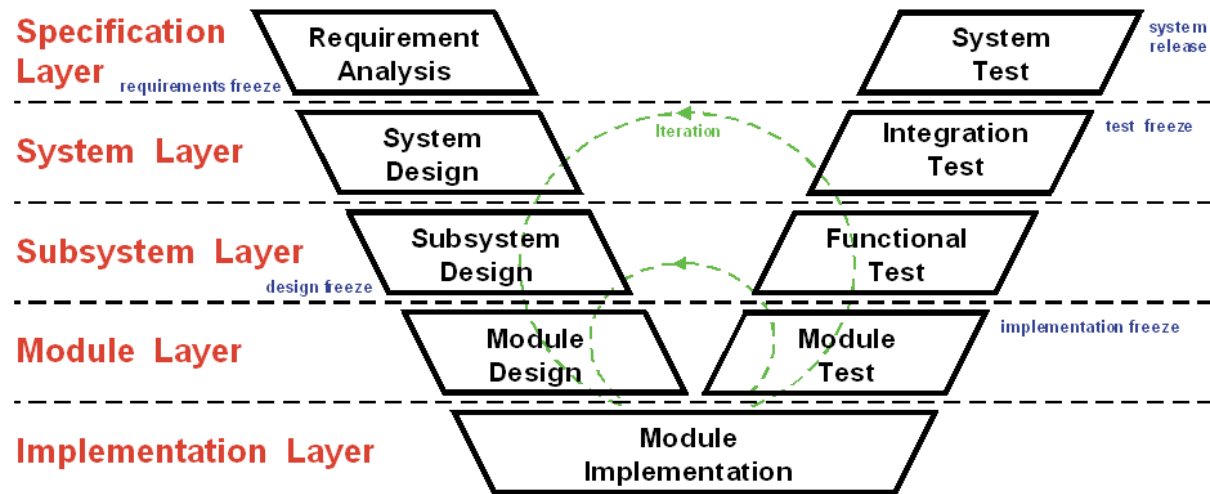


Fig. 1.1: System model assumed: linear analog/digital with single input, output and interferer

1.2 Project Management Methodologies

1.2.1 V-Model Oriented Project Management & Design Flow



(a) V-Model design flow according to [2]

b) Possible application of tools.
In this course:

Simulink taught

Spice modeling skipped

Matlab taught

VHDL used
C skipped

Analog hardware used,
some basics taught

0. Requirements

1. System (model-based design)

2. Subsystem (simultaneous simulation)

3. Module (cycle-based simulation)

4. Implementation (event-driven simulation)

digital hardware

5. Analog hardware

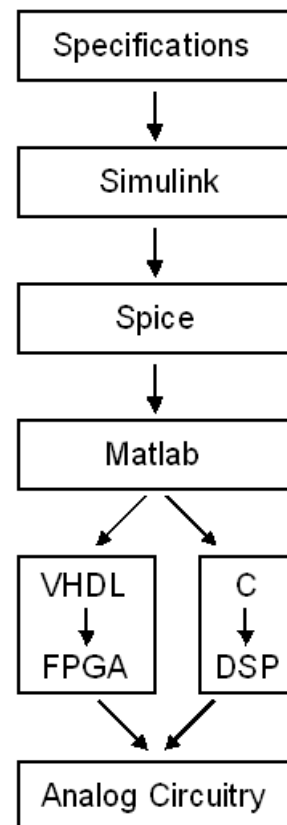


Fig. 1.2.1: V-Model design flow, (b) Possible selection of tools deployed on different levels

1.2.2 Agile Software Development

Software developers intentionally do not work as illustrated by *V-Model*. They intentionally try a new idea, test and analyze its strengths and weaknesses, improve the code, test again, etc. This kind of development process was formalized as *Agile* [3] method or Scrum [4].

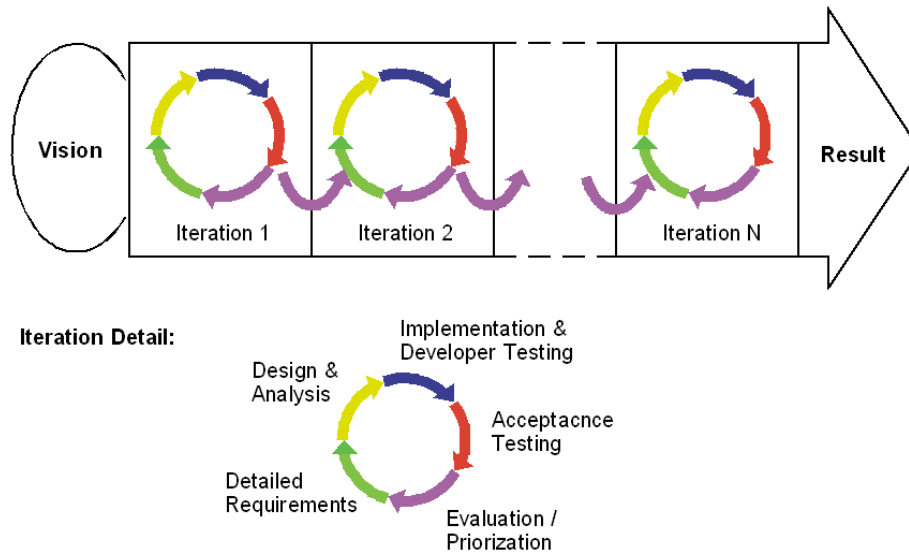
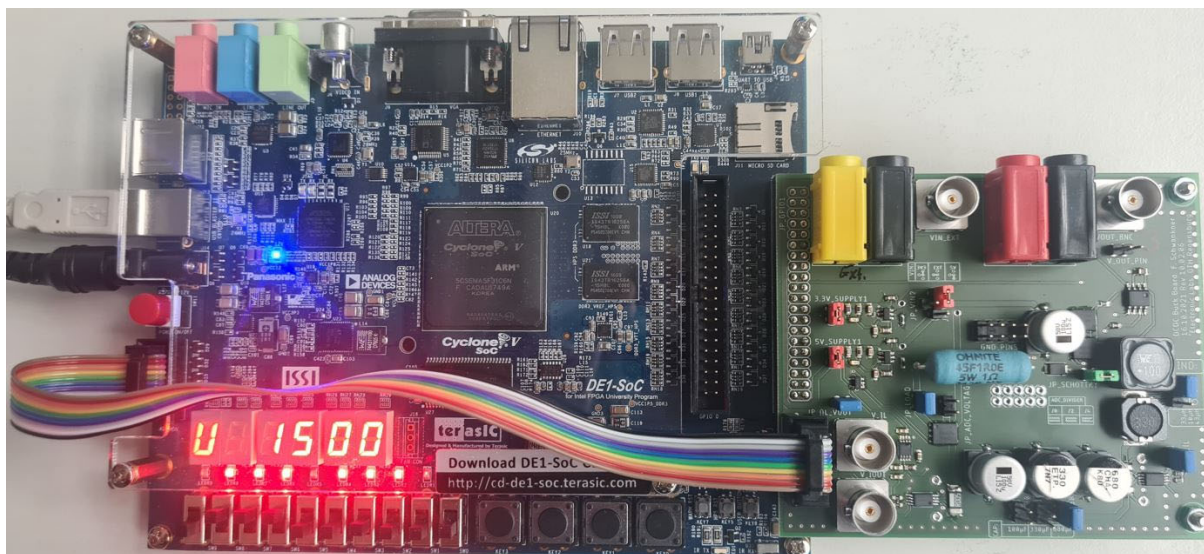


Fig. 1.2.2: Software development according to *Agile* methods [3] or Scrum [4]

1.3 Main Example: Digitally Controlled DC/DC Buck Converter

(a) Boards photo



(b) Schematics overview

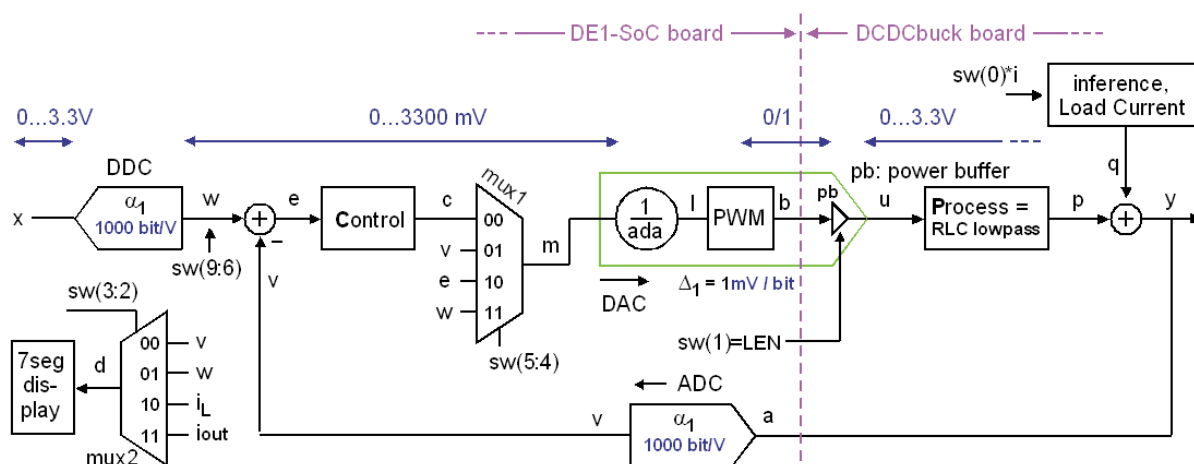


Fig. 1.3.1: DE1-SoC board [5] used as main example [6]

Fig. 1.3.1(a) shows the DE1-SoC board (left) [5] carrying the DCDCbuck daughter board (right) [6]. The 10 wire ribbon cable connects VCC5=5V, gnd=0V and the 8 inputs of the ADC input multiplexer to different voltages of the DCDCbuck_Rev10.02 board.

Fig. 1.3.1(b) illustrates block diagrams: Left of the vertical, pink dashed line we see the digital system (Terasic’s DE1-SoC board with Intel Cyclone FPGA), on the right hand side the analog (selfmade) DCDCbuck_Rev10.02 daughter board. The box labeled “process” in Fig. 1.3.1(b) is basically an RLC lowpass.

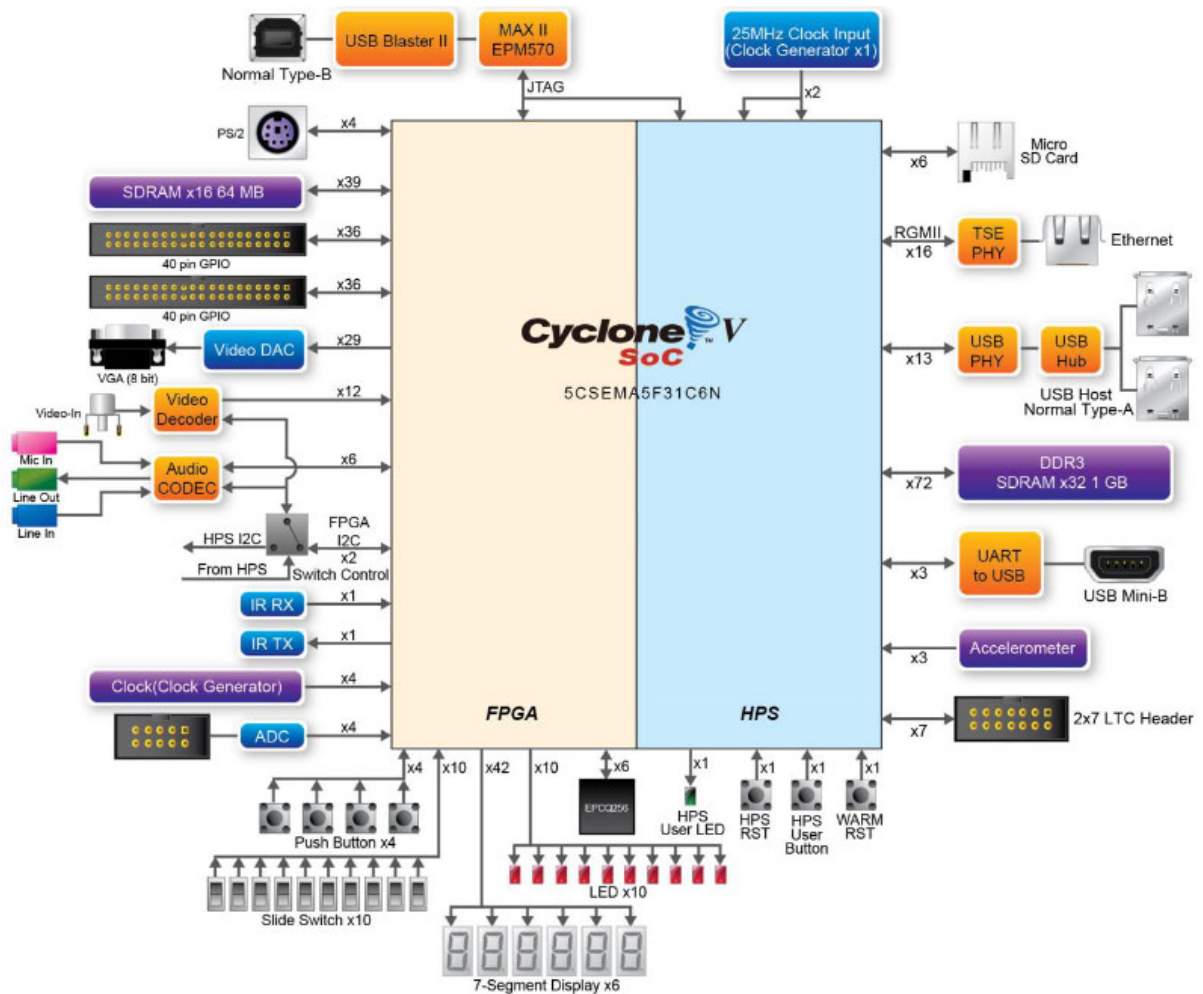


Fig. 1.3.2:: Block diagram of the DE1-SoC board, copied from Fig 2-3 in [5].

Fig. 1.3.2 illustrates the block diagram of the *DE1-SoC* board, copied from Fig 2-3 in [5]. The *CycloneV FPGA* consists of 2 parts: the *Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA)* programmed with *VHDL* [9] and the *Hard Processor System (HPS)*, which is a *Dual Core ARM ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore* [10] programmed with the *C* programming language [11]. An *Advanced eXtensible Interface (AXI)* [12] allows for communication between the two parts.

1.4 Model Based Design (MBD) Example Using Simulink

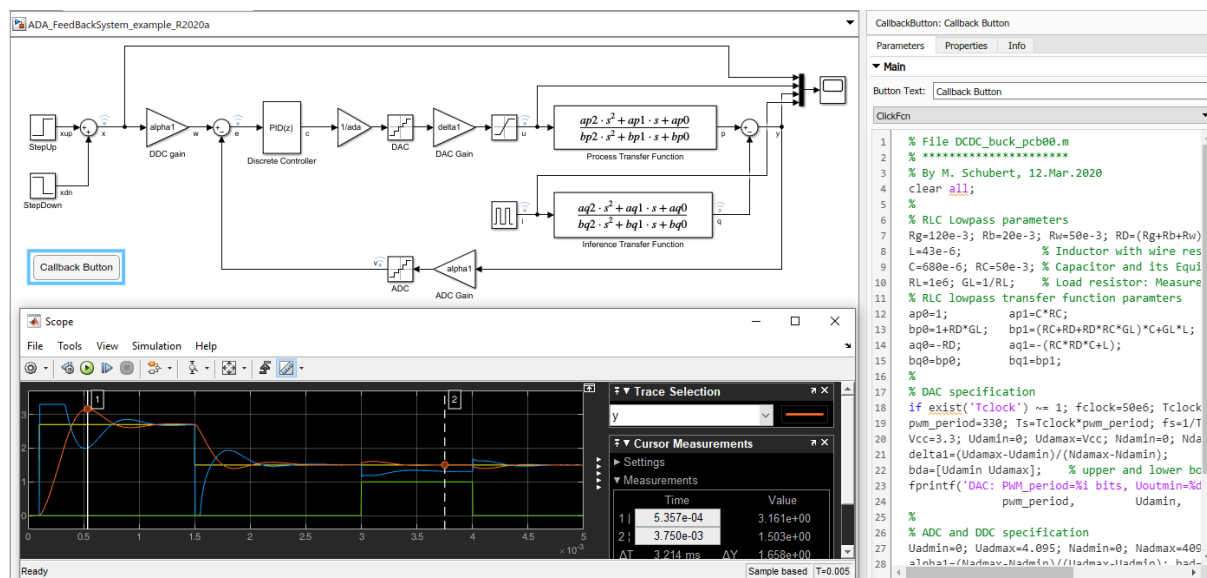


Fig. 1.4: Mixed analog/digital control loop example, will be tested during the class

The example in Fig. 1.4 can be downloaded from link “[A/D/A Feedback System Example](#)” from [1] for Matlab / Simulink [7] and will be run during the course start as *Simulink* test and *MDB* [7] demonstration.

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