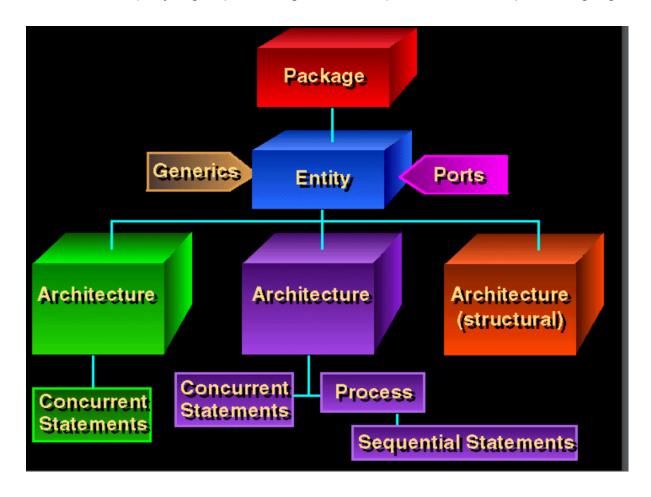
Introdução a VHDL

É uma linguagem RTL (Register Transfer Level) - Nesse curso não iremos ver Verilog, mas ela também é RTL. São linguagens de descrição de hardware para circuitos integrados.

VHDL = VHSIC(Very High Speed Integrated Circuit) Hardware Description Language



Entity Declaration

```
ENTITY half_adder IS
          PORT (x, y, enable: IN bit;
                carry, result: OUT bit);
END half_adder;
```



- -> Isso Cria só uma caixa preta. Agora é hora de declarar a arquitetura para descrever a entidade. O termo "entity" é usado para descrever a interface de um bloco de hardware ou um componente em um projeto de design digital.
- -> Em process, ele só vai ocorrer se ou x ou y e ou enable variar. Então geralmente a gente coloca um clock
- " <= significa atribuição"
- -> Os níveis lógicos devem ser colocados entre aspas simples: '0', '1';
- -> Sempre tem que colocar ponto e vírgula no final (igual em C)
- -> A ideia de identação é parecida com pseudocódigo
- -> A parte sequencial é de cima pra baixo. A execução concorrente é tudo executado ao mesmo tempo

```
ARCHITECTURE behavior1 OF
half_adder IS BEGIN

PROCESS (enable, x, y)

BEGIN

IF (enable = '1') THEN

result <= x XOR y;

carry <= x AND y;

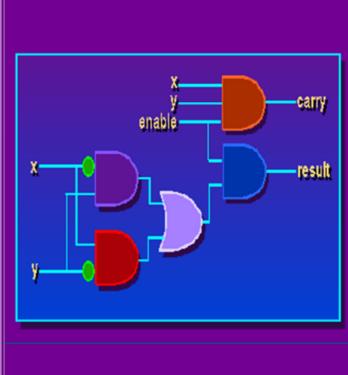
ELSE

carry <= '0'

result <= '0';

END PROCESS;

END behavior1;
```



RESUMINHO:

- 1. *Entidade*: Este é o projeto de um módulo. Define a interface externa do módulo, incluindo portas de entrada e saída.
- 2. *Portas*: Como parte de uma entidade, as portas definem as entradas e saídas de um determinado módulo. As portas podem ser de diferentes tipos, como entrada, saída e bidirecionais.
- 3. *Genéricos*: São como parâmetros em outras linguagens de programação. Eles permitem definir certas constantes que podem ser definidas no momento da instanciação da entidade.
- 4. *Pacote*: Um pacote em VHDL é uma forma de agrupar declarações relacionadas, que podem então ser reutilizadas em vários designs de VHDL.
- 5. *Arquitetura*: Fornece a implementação real de uma entidade. Uma entidade pode ter múltiplas arquiteturas, proporcionando diferentes comportamentos para a mesma interface. Existem diferentes aspectos nas arquiteturas:
- *Comportamental*: Descreve o que o circuito faz usando construções de alto nível.
- *Estrutural*: Descreve como o circuito funciona interconectando outras entidades (como uma netlist).
- *Dataflow*: Descreve como os dados fluem entre diferentes partes de um circuito usando atribuições simultâneas.
- 6. *Declarações Simultâneas*: Estas declarações, usadas dentro de uma arquitetura, descrevem operações que acontecem simultaneamente ou em paralelo.
- 7. *Processo*: Este é um bloco de código dentro de uma arquitetura que contém instruções sequenciais. Permite que as operações sejam descritas de forma sequencial, como nas linguagens de programação tradicionais.
- 8. *Declarações Sequenciais*: São usadas dentro de um processo e executadas uma após a outra, ao contrário das instruções simultâneas.

VHDL Processes

- Assignments executed sequentially
- Sequential statements
 - {Signal, variable} assignments
 - Flow control
 - if <condition> then <statements> else <statements> end if;
 - <u>for</u> <range> loop <statements> end loop; <u>while</u> <condition> loop <statements> end loop;
 - <u>case</u> <condition> is when <value> => <statements>;
 when <value> => <statements>;
 when others => <statements>;
 end case;
 - Wait on <signal> until <expression> for <time>;
 - <u>Assert</u> <condition> report <string> severity <level>;

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Case é a máquina de estado (nosso switch)

Process Example - Carry Bit

A Design Example: 8-bits Register with asynchronous clear

```
LIBRARY ieee;
USE ieee.std logic 1164.all;
ENTITY reg8 IS
    PORT (clock, rst : IN BIT;
          D: IN STD LOGIC VECTOR (7 DOWNTO 0);
          Q: OUT STD LOGIC VECTOR (7 DOWNTO 0));
END reg8;
ARCHITECTURE behavior OF reg8 IS
BEGIN
    register8: PROCESS (clock,rst)
    BEGIN
        IF rst = '0' THEN
           Q <= "00000000";
        ELSIF clock'EVENT AND clock ='1' THEN
           Q \leq D;
        END IF;
    END PROCESS register8;
END behavior;
```

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Assignments

```
ARCHITECTURE test1 OF
                          ARCHITECTURE test2 OF test_mux IS BEGIN
test mux IS
   SIGNAL a : BIT := '1'; PROCESS (result)
                             VARIABLE a : BIT := '1';
   SIGNAL b : BIT := '0';
                            VARIABLE b : BIT := '0';
BEGIN
                          BEGIN
                           ...more statements...
...more statements...
                            b := a;
                           ...more statements...
...more statements...
                             END PROCESS;
                          END test2;
END test1;
```

Introduction to VHDL

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Summary

- History
- VHDL Structure
- Sequencial and Parallel Execution
- Signal and Variable
- Data Types, Assignments, Data Conversions
- Operators
- Component Instantiation
- Bi-directional Pins
- Exercises

Concepts

- VHDL is the VHSIC (Very High Speed Integrated Circuit) Hardware Description Language
- VHDL is an international standard specification language for describing digital hardware used by industry worldwide
- VHDL enables hardware modeling from the gate to system level
- VHDL provides a mechanism for digital design and reusable design documentation

History of VHDL

- Launched in 1980
- Aggressive effort to advance state of the art
- Object was to achieve significant gains in VLSI technology
- Need for common descriptive language
- In July 1983, a team of Intermetrics, IBM and Texas Instruments were awarded a contract to develop VHDL

History of VHDL

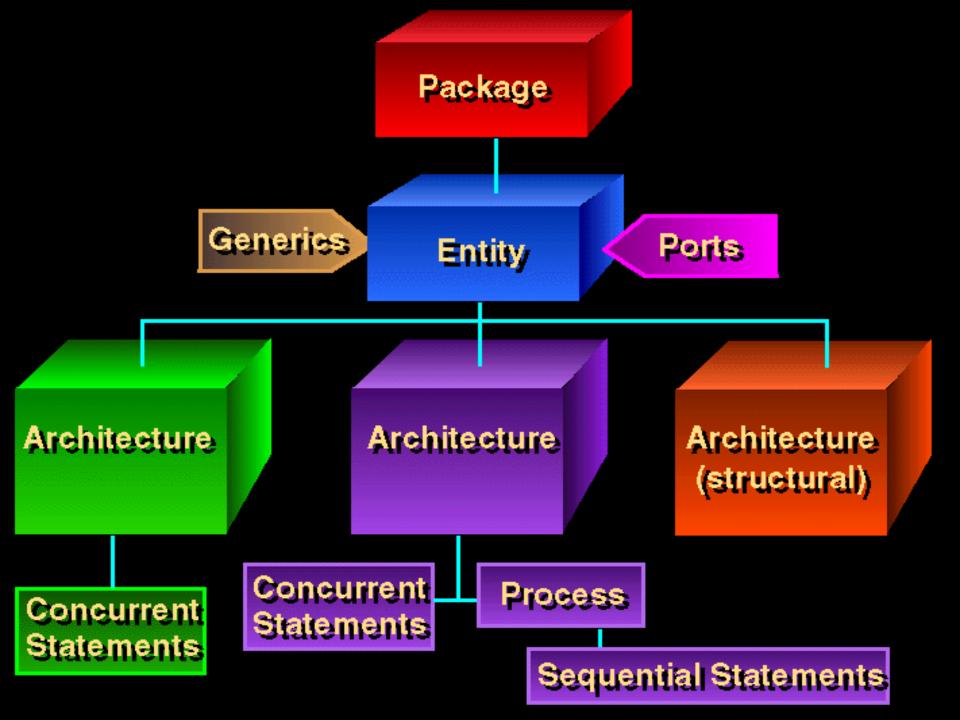
- In August 1985, the final version of the language under government contract was released: VHDL Version 7.2
- In December 1987, VHDL became IEEE Standard 1076-1987 and in 1988 an ANSI approved standard
- In September 1993, VHDL was restandardized to clarify and enhance the language (IEEE Standard 1076-1993)
- Since then there has been many other VHDL standard revision

How about Quartus II

- The Quartus II software supports a subset of the constructs defined by the IEEE Std 1076-1987, and IEEE Std 1076-1993, and IEEE Std 1076-2008
 - It supports only those constructs that are relevant to logic synthesis
- The Quartus II 11.1 software contains support for VHDL 2008: IEEE Std 1076-2008
- The Quartus II software also supports the packages defined by these patterns

Why Use VHDL?

- Provides technology independence
- Describes a wide variety of digital hardware
- Eases communication through standard language
- Allows for better design management
- Provides a flexible design language



VHDL Design Process

- Problem: design a single bit half adder with carry and enable
- Specifications
 - Passes results only on enable high
 - Passes zero on enable low
 - Result gets x plus y
 - Carry gets any carry of x plus y

Entity Declaration

- An entity declaration describes the interface of the component
- PORT clause indicates input and output ports
- An entity can be thought of as a symbol for a component
- Generics may be added for readability, maintenance and configuration

Entity Declaration



Architecture Declaration

Architecture declarations describe the operation of the component

 Many architectures may exist for one entity, but only one may be active at a time

 An architecture is similar to a schematic of the component

```
ARCHITECTURE behavior1 OF
half adder IS BEGIN
   PROCESS (enable, x, y)
   BEGIN
                                                           carry
                                          enable
   IF (enable = '1') THEN
                                                            result
     result <= x XOR y;
     carry <= x AND y;
   ELSE
     carry <= '0'
     result <= '0';
   END PROCESS;
END behavior1;
```

Packages and Libraries

- User defined constructs declared inside <u>architectures</u> and <u>entities</u> are not visible to other entities
 - Subprograms, user defined data types, and constants can not be shared
- Packages and libraries provide the ability to reuse constructs in multiple entities and architectures
- An important VHDL library is the IEEE library. This
 package provides a set of user-defined datatypes
 and conversion functions that should be used in
 VHDL designs.
 - LIBRARY ieee;
 - USE ieee.std_logic_1164.ALL;

Sequential and Concurrent Statements

- VHDL provides two different types of execution: sequential and concurrent
- Different types of execution are useful for modeling of real hardware
 - Supports various levels of abstraction
- Sequential statements view hardware from a "programmer" approach
- Concurrent statements are order-independent and asynchronous

Sequential Statements

 Sequential statements run in top to bottom order

 Sequential execution most often found in behavioral descriptions

Statements inside PROCESS execute sequentially

Concurrent Statements

- All concurrent statements occur simultaneously
- How are concurrent statements processed?
- Simulator time does not advance until all concurrent statements are processed
- Some concurrent statements
 - Block, process, assert, signal assignment, procedure call, component instantiation

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 when < value > = > < statements >;
 when others = > < statements >;
 end case;
 - Wait on <signal> until <expression> for <time>;
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VHDL Processes

 A VHDL process statement is used for all behavioral descriptions

```
[process label :] PROCESS
[(sensitivity list)]
 process declarations
BEGIN
 process statements
END PROCESS [process label];
```

Process Example - Carry Bit

```
Carry: PROCESS (A, B, Cin)
BEGIN
 IF (A = '1' and B = '1') THEN
      Cout <= '1';
  ELSIF (A = '1' \text{ and } Cin = '1') THEN
     Cout <= '1';
  ELSIF (B = '1' and Cin = '1') THEN
     Cout <= '1';
  ELSE
     Cout <= '0';
  END IF;
END PROCESS Carry;
```

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ENTITY reg8 IS
    PORT (clock, rst : IN BIT;
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          Q: OUT STD LOGIC VECTOR (7 DOWNTO 0));
END reg8;
ARCHITECTURE behavior OF reg8 IS
BEGIN
    register8: PROCESS (clock,rst)
    BEGIN
        IF rst = '0' THEN
            0 <= "0000000";</pre>
        ELSIF clock'EVENT AND clock ='1' THEN
           O \leq D;
        END IF;
    END PROCESS register8;
END behavior;
```

A Design Example: 2-bits Counter

```
ENTITY count2 IS
    PORT (clock : IN BIT;
          q1, q0: OUT BIT);
END count2:
ARCHITECTURE behavior OF count2 IS
BEGIN
    count up: PROCESS (clock)
        VARIABLE count value: NATURAL := 0;
    BEGIN
        IF clock='1' THEN
            count value := (count value+1) MOD 4;
            q0 <= bit'val(count value MOD 2);
            q1 <= bit'val(count value/2);</pre>
        END IF;
    END PROCESS count up;
END behavior:
```

Signals vs Variables

Variables

- Used for local storage of data
- Generally not available to multiple <u>components</u> and <u>processes</u>
- All variable assignments take place immediately
- Variables are more convenient than signals for the storage of data
- Variables may be made global

Signals

- Used for communication between <u>components</u>
- Signals can be seen as <u>real</u>, <u>physical</u> signals
- Some delay must be incurred in a signal assignment

Assignments

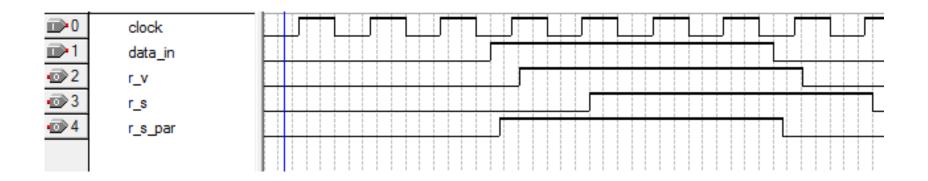
```
ARCHITECTURE test1 OF
                           ARCHITECTURE test2 OF test mux IS BEGIN
test mux IS
   SIGNAL a : BIT := '1'; PROCESS (result)
                              VARIABLE a : BIT := '1';
    SIGNAL b : BIT := '0';
                              VARIABLE b : BIT := '0';
BEGIN
                           BEGIN
                            ...more statements...
...more statements...
                              a := b;
  a \le b;
                              b := a;
  b <= a;
                            ...more statements...
...more statements...
                              END PROCESS;
                           END test2;
END test1;
```

Signal x Variable Behaviour

```
ENTITY aulayhdl IS
  PORT (clock, data_in : IN BIT;
      r_v, r_s, r_s_par: OUT BIT);
END aulavhdl;
ARCHITECTURE behavior OF aulayhdl IS
  signal a_s, a_s_par: BIT := '0';
BEGIN
  PROCESS (clock)
     variable a v: BIT := '0';
  BEGIN
     IF clock='1' THEN
        a v := data in;
        r v \le a v;
       a_s <= data in;
        r s \le a s;
     END IF;
  END PROCESS;
  a_s_par <= data_in;
  r_s_par <= a_s_par;
END behavior;
```

Signal x Variable Behaviour

- Percebam a diferença de comportamento do "signal" dentro e fora do processo!
- Quanto a "variable" não há surpresa, pois é utilizada somente dentro do processo



Data Types

Data types	Synthesizable values
BIT, BIT_VECTOR	·0', '1'
STD_LOGIC, STD_LOGIC_VECTOR	'X', '0', '1', 'Z' (resolved)
STD_ULOGIC, STD_ULOGIC_VECTOR	'X', '0', '1', 'Z' (unresolved)
BOOLEAN	True, False
NATURAL	From 0 to $+2$, 147, 483, 647
INTEGER	From $-2,147,483,647$ to $+2,147,483,647$
SIGNED	From $-2,147,483,647$ to $+2,147,483,647$
UNSIGNED	From 0 to $+2,147,483,647$
User-defined integer type	Subset of INTEGER
User-defined enumerated type	Collection enumerated by user
SUBTYPE	Subset of any type (pre- or user-defined)
ARRAY	Single-type collection of any type above
RECORD	Multiple-type collection of any types above

Dealing with Data Types

```
TYPE byte IS ARRAY (7 DOWNTO 0) OF STD LOGIC;
                                                           -- 1D
                                                           -- array
TYPE mem1 IS ARRAY (0 TO 3, 7 DOWNTO 0) OF STD LOGIC;
                                                           -- 2D
                                                           -- array
TYPE mem2 IS ARRAY (0 TO 3) OF byte;
                                                           -- 1Dx1D
                                                           -- array
TYPE mem3 IS ARRAY (0 TO 3) OF STD LOGIC VECTOR(0 TO 7); -- 1Dx1D
                                                           -- array
                                                  -- scalar signal
SIGNAL a: STD LOGIC;
                                                  -- scalar signal
SIGNAL b: BIT;
                                                  -- 1D signal
SIGNAL x: byte;
SIGNAL y: STD LOGIC VECTOR (7 DOWNTO 0);
                                                  -- 1D signal
SIGNAL v: BIT VECTOR (3 DOWNTO 0);
                                                  -- 1D signal
SIGNAL z: STD LOGIC VECTOR (x'HIGH DOWNTO 0);
                                                  -- 1D signal
SIGNAL w1: mem1;
                                                  -- 2D signal
                                                  -- 1Dx1D signal
SIGNAL w2: mem2;
                                                  -- 1Dx1D signal
SIGNAL w3: mem3;
```

Scalar Assignments

Vector Assignments

```
x <= "111111110";
y \le ('1', '1', '1', '1', '1', '1', '0', 'Z');
z <= "11111" & "000";
x \ll (OTHERS => '1');
y \le (7 = > '0', 1 = > '0', OTHERS = > '1');
z \ll y;
y(2 DOWNTO 0) \le z(6 DOWNTO 4);
w2(0)(7 DOWNTO 0) <= "11110000";
w3(2) \le y;
z \le w3(1);
z(5 \text{ DOWNTO } 0) \le w3(1)(2 \text{ TO } 7);
w3(1) \le "00000000";
w3(1) \le (OTHERS => '0');
w2 <= ((OTHERS=>'0'),(OTHERS=>'0'),(OTHERS=>'0'),(OTHERS=>'0'));
(OTHERS=>'0'), (OTHERS=>'0'));
w1 <= ((OTHERS=>'Z'), "11110000", "11110000", (OTHERS=>'0'));
```

llegal Assignments

```
----- Illegal scalar assignments: ------
                     -- type mismatch (BIT x STD_LOGIC)
b \le a;
w1(0)(2) \le x(2); -- index of w1 must be 2D
w2(2,0) \le a;
                -- index of w2 must be 1Dx1D
----- Illegal array assignments: -----
                                  -- type mismatch
x \le y;
y(5 \text{ TO } 7) \le z(6 \text{ DOWNTO } 0);
                                  -- wrong direction of y
w1 \le (OTHERS => '1');
                                  -- w1 is a 2D array
w1(0, 7 DOWNTO 0) \le "1111111111"; -- w1 is a 2D array
w2 \ll (OTHERS => 'Z');
                                  -- w2 is a 1Dx1D array
w2(0, 7 DOWNTO 0) <= "11110000"; -- index should be 1Dx1D
```

DOWNTO and **TO**

```
SIGNAL x: BIT;
-- x is declared as a one-digit signal of type BIT.
SIGNAL y: BIT VECTOR (3 DOWNTO 0);
-- y is a 4-bit vector, with the leftmost bit being the MSB.
SIGNAL w: BIT VECTOR (0 TO 7);
-- w is an 8-bit vector, with the rightmost bit being the MSB.
  x \le '1':
  -- x is a single-bit signal (as specified above), whose value is
  -- '1'. Notice that single quotes (' ') are used for a single bit.
  y \le "0111";
  -- y is a 4-bit signal (as specified above), whose value is "0111"
  -- (MSB='0'). Notice that double quotes (" ") are used for
  -- vectors.
  w \le "01110001";
  -- w is an 8-bit signal, whose value is "01110001" (MSB='1').
```

Bit Levels

- BIT (and BIT_VECTOR): 2-level logic ('0', '1')
- STD_LOGIC (and STD_LOGIC_VECTOR): 8-valued logic system introduced in the IEEE 1164 standard.

```
'X' Forcing Unknown (synthesizable unknown)
'0' Forcing Low (synthesizable logic '1')
'1' Forcing High (synthesizable logic '0')
'Z' High impedance (synthesizable tri-state buffer)
```

'W' Weak unknown

w weak unknown

'L' Weak low

'H' Weak high

'-' Don't care

Most of the std_logic are intended for simulation only!

ULOGIC

- STD_ULOGIC (STD_ULOGIC_VECTOR): 9-level logic system introduced in the IEEE 1164 standard ('U', 'X', '0', '1', 'Z', 'W', 'L', 'H', '-').
- STD_LOGIC system described above is a subtype of STD_ULOGIC. The latter includes an extra logic value, 'U', which stands for unresolved. Thus, contrary to STD_LOGIC, conflicting logic levels are not automatically resolved here, so output wires should never be connected together directly. However, if two output wires are never supposed to be connected together, this logic system can be used to detect design errors.

SIGNED and UNSIGNED

- Their syntax similar to STD_LOGIC_VECTOR
- SIGNED and UNSIGNED are intended mainly for arithmetic operations
- Logic operations are not allowed

```
SIGNAL x: SIGNED (7 DOWNTO 0);
SIGNAL y: UNSIGNED (0 TO 3);
```

Data Conversion

- VHDL does not allow direct operations between data of different types
- Conversions are necessary
- Several data conversion functions can be found in the std_logic_arith package of IEEE library

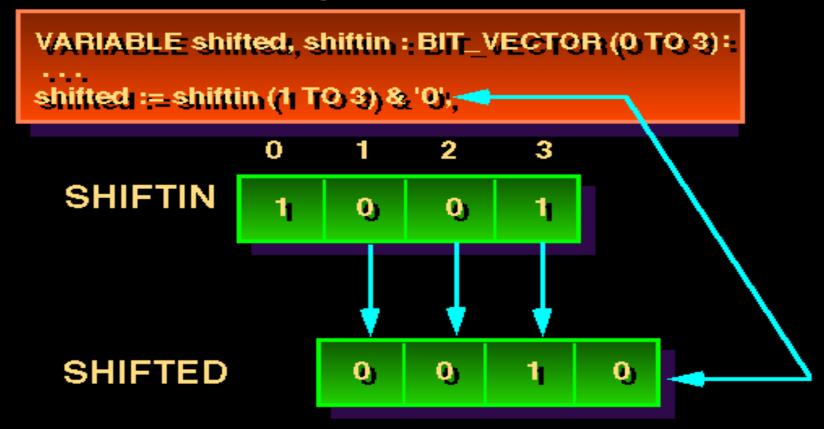
std_logic_arith Conversion Functions

- conv_integer(p): Converts a parameter p of type INTEGER, UNSIGNED, SIGNED, or STD_ULOGIC to an INTEGER value. Notice that STD_LOGIC_ VECTOR is not included.
- conv_unsigned(p, b): Converts a parameter p of type INTEGER, UNSIGNED,
 SIGNED, or STD_ULOGIC to an UNSIGNED value with size b bits.
- conv_signed(p, b): Converts a parameter p of type INTEGER, UNSIGNED,
 SIGNED, or STD_ULOGIC to a SIGNED value with size b bits.
- conv_std_logic_vector(p, b): Converts a parameter p of type INTEGER, UN-SIGNED, SIGNED, or STD_LOGIC to a STD_LOGIC_VECTOR value with size b bits.

Operators

Operator type	Operators	Data types
Assignment	<=, :=, =>	Any
Logical	NOT, AND, NAND, OR, NOR, XOR, XNOR	BIT, BIT_VECTOR, STD_LOGIC, STD_LOGIC_VECTOR, STD_ULOGIC, STD_ULOGIC_VECTOR
Arithmetic	$+, -, *, /, **$ (mod, rem, abs) $^{\bullet}$	INTEGER, SIGNED, UNSIGNED
Comparison	=, /=, <, >, <=, >=	All above
Shift	sll, srl, sla, sra, rol, ror	BIT_VECTOR
Concatenation	&, (,,,)	Same as for logical operators, plus SIGNED and UNSIGNED

The concatentation operator &



The exponentiation operator **

```
x_i := 5^{**}5, --- 5^{5}, 0K
y_i := 0.5^{**}3, --- 0.5^{5}, 0K
x_i := 4^{**}0.5, --- 4^{5}0.5, bad
y_i := 0.5^{**}(-2), --- 0.5^{5}(-2), 0K
```

Component instantiation (Structural VHDL)

```
component fifo cam is
     port(
              data
                                 : in STD_LOGIC_VECTOR (31 downto 0);
                                 : in STD LOGIC;
              wrreq
                                 : in STD LOGIC;
              rdreq
                                 : in STD LOGIC;
              rdclk
                                 : in STD LOGIC;
              wrclk
                                 : in STD LOGIC;
              aclr
                                   : out STD LOGIC VECTOR (31 downto 0);
              q
              rdempty
                                 : out STD LOGIC;
                                 : out STD LOGIC );
              wrfull
end component;
```

fifo: fifo_cam port map(pixel,'1',read_cs,clk_n,ready_pixel,aclr_fifo,readdata,waitrequest,fifofull);

Bidirectional pin

```
ENTITY proc eld2 is
   PORT(clk, rst
                         : in STD LOGIC;
         data
                         : inout STD LOGIC VECTOR(7 downto 0);
                         : buffer STD LOGIC;
        web oeb
        address
                         : out STD_LOGIC_VECTOR(7 downto 0);
                         : out STD LOGIC VECTOR(7 downto 0);
         pc out, ir out
                         : out STD_LOGIC_VECTOR(2 downto 0)
        saida
END proc eld2;
signal ACC : std logic vector(7 downto 0);
web oeb <= '1'; --1 escreve e 0 lê da mem.
data <= ACC WHEN web oeb='1' else "ZZZZZZZZZ";
web oeb <= '0'; --1 escreve e 0 lê da mem.
ACC <= data;
```

Tips

 The ENTITY name and the file name must be the same

- Physical and time data types are not synthesizable for FPGAs
 - ohm, kohm
 - fs, ps, ns, um, ms, min, hr

And more ...

Function

- Produce a single return value
- Requires a RETURN statement

Procedure

- Produce many output values
- Do not require a RETURN statement

Testbench

- Generate stimulus for simulation
- Compare output responses with expected values

Implemente em VHDL os seguintes componentes

- FFs do tipo D, T e JK
- Registrador de deslocamento da direita para a esquerda
- Conversor de binário para display de 7 segmentos
- Crie um componente somador completo de 1 bit e instancie esse mesmo componente para formar um somador/subtrator de 8 bits do tipo ripple-carry. Considere que os números estão em complemento de 2; e para o controle da operação utilize C=0 para adição e C=1 para subtração. Indique também overflow. Utilize STD_LOGIC_VECTOR para os sinais de entrada e saída

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