

Verilog Basics

- Introduction



Outline



Overview of Digital Design

- Evolution of Computer-Aided Design
- Traditional Design approaches
- Advancements over the years

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- What is Verilog
- Application Areas of Verilog
- Basic Limitation of Verilog
- Design Representation



Evolution of VLSI Design



- Earlier digital circuits
 - Vacuum tube → Transistors -> Integrated Circuits (ICs)
- Integrated Circuits (logic gates were placed on a single chip)
 - $-SSI \rightarrow MSI \rightarrow LSI \rightarrow VLSI$

Integration Levels

SSI: 10 gates

MSI: 1000 gates

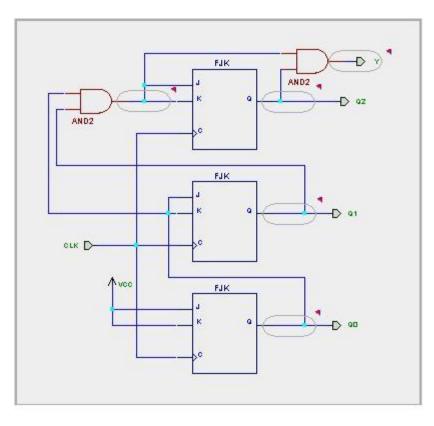
LSI: 10,000 gates

VLSI: > 10k gates

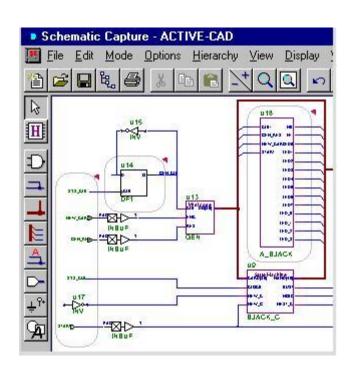


Traditional Design approaches





Gate Level Design

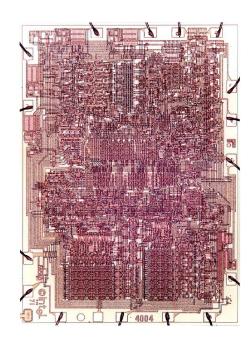


Schematic View



Advancements over the years





- © Intel 4004 Processor
- Introduced in 1971
- 2300 Transistors
- 108 KHz Clock



- © Intel P4 Processor
- Introduced in 2000
- 40 Million Transistors
- 1.5GHz Clock



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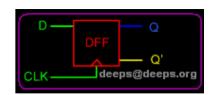
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What is Verilog



- Hardware Description Language (HDL)
- Developed in 1984, standardized as IEEE 1364
- Version history:
 - Verilog-95
 - Verilog-2001
 - Verilog-2005
 - SystemVerilog 2009
- Used to describe a digital system, such as CPU, memory, or flipflop



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module d_ff ( d, clk, q, q_bar);
input d ,clk;
ouput q, q_bar;

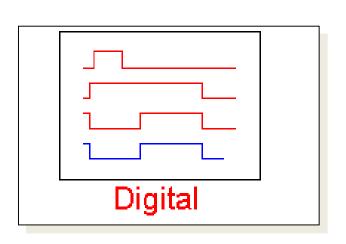
always @ (posedge clk)
begin
q <= d;
q_bar <= !d;
end
endmodule
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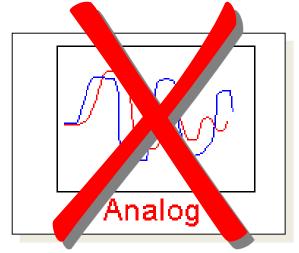


Basic Limitation of Verilog



Description of digital systems only







Resources



- VerilogHDL, A Guide to Digital Design and Synthesis, by Samir Palnitkar
- Verilog Tutorial ASIC World
 - www.asic-world.com/verilog/veritut.html



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