

BLOCKING & NON-BLOCKING ASSIGNMENTS

(Procedural Assignment Statements)

Blocking Assignments:

Sequential Execution:

- Blocking assignments are executed sequentially, one after the other, in the order they appear in the code.
- The next statement will not begin execution until the current statement is completed.

Symbol:

- The assignment operator = is used for blocking assignments.

Immediate Update:

- The right-hand side (RHS) of a blocking assignment is evaluated immediately, and the left-hand side (LHS) is updated immediately.
- Both assign and evaluate at active region.

Example:

module swap; reg

[3:0] a,b;

reg [3:0] temp;

initial begin

a=10;b=11;

\$display("____USING BLOCKING SWAP THE NUMBERS __ ");

#10;

temp=b;

b=a;

a=temp;

#20 \$finish();

end

initial

```
$monitor($time," values of a=%d,b=%d",a,b); endmodule
```

Output:

____ USING BLOCKING SWAP THE NUMBERS ____

0 values of a=10,b=11

10 values of a=11,b=10

Non-Blocking Assignments:

Parallel Execution:

- Non-blocking assignments allow for parallel execution of statements within the same always block.
- All non-blocking assignments within the block are scheduled to occur simultaneously without waiting for the result of the previous one.

Symbol:

- The non-blocking assignment operator \leq is used for non-blocking assignments.

Delayed Update:

- In a non-blocking assignment, the RHS is evaluated immediately(Active Region), but the actual update of the LHS is delayed until the end of the current time step(NBA Region).

Example:

```
module swap; reg
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[3:0]a,b; initial
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begin
```

```
$display("____ USING NON BLOCKING SWAP A NUMBERS ____");
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a=11;b=10; #10;
```

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a<=b;
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```
b<=a;
```

```
#20 $finish();
```

```
end
```

```
initial
```

```
$monitor($time,"values of a=%d,b=%d",a,b);
```

```
endmodule
```

Output:

```
_____ USING NON BLOCKING SWAP A  
NUMBERS_____ 0values of a=11,b=10  
10values of a=10,b=11
```