DIGITAL DESIGN **VERILOG SUMMARY** 2021 SUMMER TERM

LAB14 Verilog Summary • Synthesizable vs Non-Synthesizable

VERILOG SUMMARY(1)

Design-Under-Test vs Test-Bench

- Structured design
 - (top module, instance modules)

- Block
 - Combinational, Sequential

- Statement
 - continuous assignment
 - Unblock assignment vs block assignment
 - If else, case, loop
- Variable vs Constant
 - reg vs wire
 - Splicing { , }
 - Number system

VERILOG SUMMARY(2)

- Non-Synthesizable Verilog which is NOT suggested to use in your design
 - initial
 - Task, function
 - System task: \$display, \$monitor, \$strobe, \$finish
 - fork... join
 - UDP

VERILOG SUMMARY(3)

Suggested

- Using an asynchronous reset to make your system go to initial state
- Using case instead of embedded 'if-else' to avoid unwanted priority and longer delay

NOT suggested

- Embedded 'if-else'
- Two different edge trigger for one always block
- (!!!) a signal/port is assigned in more than one always block (it won't report error while synthesized but its behavior maybe wrong after synthesize)
- Mix-use blocking assignment and non-blocking assignment in one always block

DUT VS TESTBENCH

- DUT is a designed module with input and output ports
 - While do the design, non-synthesizable grammar means can't be convert to circuit, is NOT suggested!
 - DUT may be a top module using structured design which means the sub module is instanced and connected in the top module
- Testbench is used for test DUT with NO input and output ports
 - Instance the DUT, bind its ports with variable, set the states of variable which bind with inputs and check the states of variable which bind with outputs
 - Testbench is NOT part of Design, it only runs in FPGA/ASIC EDA, so the un-synthesizable grammar can be used in testbench

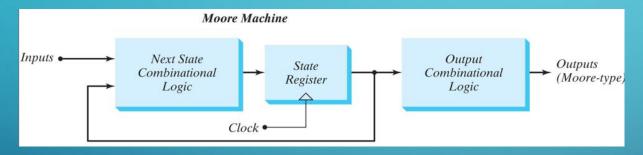
MODULE (STRUCTURED LEVEL VS TESTBENCH)

```
module multiplexer_153(out,c0,c1,c2,c3,a,b,g1n);
input c0,c1,c2,c3;
input a,b;
input gin;
output reg [3:0] out;
always @(*)
if(1 b0--g1n)
  case({b,a})
      2 b00: out=4 b1110;
      2'b01:out=4'b1101;
      2'b10:out-4'b1011;
      2'b11:out=4'b0111;
   endcase
else
   out - 4'b1111:
endmodule
```

```
module multiplexer_153_2(out1,out2,c10,c11,c12,c13,a1,b1,g1n,
                 c20,c21,c22,c23,a2,b2,g2n);
 input c10,c11,c12,c13,a1,b1,g1n,c20,c21,c22,c23,a2,b2,g2n;
 output out1,out2;
⊟multiplexer_153 m1(
                  .gln(gln),
                  .a(a1),
                  . b(b1)
                  .c0(c10),
                  .c1(c11),
                  .c2(c12),
                  .c3(c13),
                  .out(out1)
∃multiplexer_153 m2(
.gln(g2n),
                  .a(a2),
                  . b(b2).
                  .c0(c20),
  endmodule
```

```
module lab3_df_sim();
    reg simx, simy;
    wire simq1, simq2, simq3;
    lab3_df u_df(
    .x(simx), .y(simy), .q1(simq1), .q2(simq2), .q3(simq3));
    initial
    begin
        simx=0:
        simv=0:
     #10
        simx=0:
        simy=1;
     #10
        simx=1:
        simy=0:
     #10
        simx=1:
        simy=1:
    end
endmodule
```

FSM AND VERILOG



```
timescale lns / lps
module moore_2b(input clk, rst_n, x_in, output[1:0] state, next_state);
reg [1:0] state, next_state;
parameter S0=2'b00, S1=2'b01, S2=2'b10, S3=2'b11;
always @(posedge clk, negedge rst_n) begin
   if ("rst_n)
       state <= S0:
   else
       state <= next_state;
end
always @(state, x_in) begin
   case(state)
   S0: if (x_in) next_state = S1; else next_state = S0;
   S1: if (x_in) next_state = S2; else next_state = S1;
   S2: if (x_in) next_state = S3; else next_state = S2;
   S3: if (x_in) next_state = S0; else next_state = S3;
   endcase
end
endmodule
```

MODULE DESIGN

Gate level

- Implementation from the perspective of gate-level structure of the circuit, Using gates as components, connecting pins of gates
- using logical and bitwise operators or original primitive(not, or, and, xor, xnor..)

Data streams

- Implementation from the perspective of data processing and flow
- Using continuous assignment, pay attention to the correlation between signals, the difference between logical and bitwise operators

Behavior Level

- Implementation from the perspective of the Behavior of Circuits
- Implemented in the always statement block
- The variable which is assigned in the always block Must be Reg type.

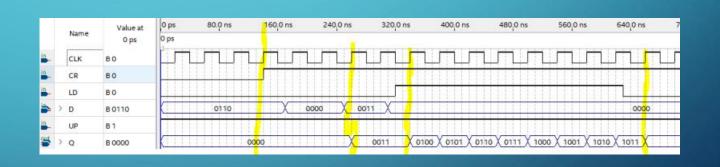
IF — ELSE IN BEHAVIOR MODELING

'if else' block can represent the priority between signals

From the overall structure, from top to bottom, priority decreases in turn

```
module updown_counter(D,CLK,CR,LD,UP,Q)
input [3:0]D;
input CLK,CR,LD,UP;
output reg [3:0] Q;
always @(posedge CLK )

if(!CR)
   Q=0;
   else if(!LD)
   Q=D;
   else if(UP)
   Q=Q+1;
   else
   Q=Q-1;
endmodule
```



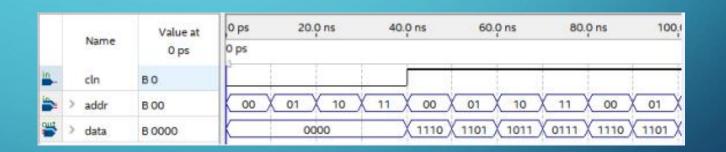
NOTIC:

- 1) If there is no 'else' branch in the statement, latches will be generated while doing the synthesis.
- 2) Nested 'if-else' is NOT suggested, 'case' is suggested as an alternative.

CASE IN BEHAVIOR MODELING

case	0	1		z
0	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0
x	0	0	1	0
z	0	0	0	1

```
module decorder(cln,data,addr);
input cln;
input [1:0] addr;
output reg [3:0] data;
always @(cln or addr )
begin
if(0==cln)
   data=4 'b00000;
else
   case(addr)
   2'b00:data=4'b1110;
    'b01:data=4'b1101;
   2'b10:data=4'b1011;
   2'b11:data=4'b0111;
   endcase
end
endmodule
```



NOTIC:

Without defining default branches and NOT all situations is cleared under the "case", latches will be generated while doing the synthesis.

VERILOG (BE CAREFUL WITH EMBEDDED IF-ELSE)

• Embedded 'if-else' circuit brings priority and more latency compared to 'case'

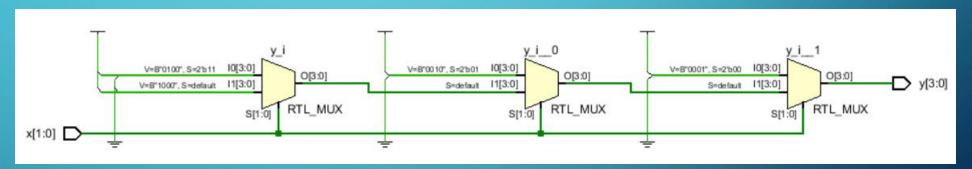
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always @*

if( 2'b00 == x)
    y = 4'b0001;

else if( 2'b01 == x)
    y = 4'b0010;

else if( 2'b11 == x)
    y = 4'b0100;

else
    y = 4'b1000;
```



```
always @*

case(x)

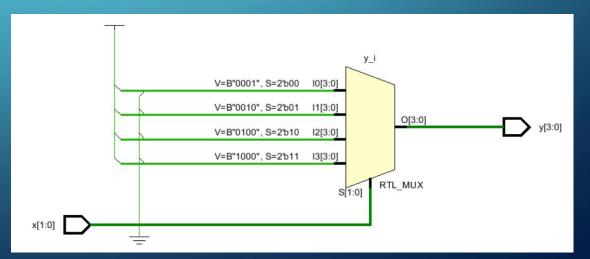
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2'b01: y=4'b0010;

2'b10: y=4'b0100;

2'b11: y=4'b1000;

endcase
```



LOOP IN BEHAVIOR MODELING

- Loop is NOT used much in design, for its comprehensiveness is not very good.
- Loop is most often used in testbench to specify signal behavior:

```
repeat(12)
begin
Cin = 1'b0;
Cin = #40000 1'b1;
# 40000;
end
```

STATEMENT

- Assignment
 - Continuous assign (MUST to a wire variable)
 - assign A = 1'b0; //A MUST be defined as a wire
 - Block assign(used in initial or always block, MUST to a reg variable, usually in combinational block)
 - always @ *
 A = 1'b0; //A MUST be defined as a reg
 - initial

```
A = 1'b0; //A MUST be defined as a reg
```

- Un-block assign (used in initial or always block, MUST to a reg variable, usually in sequential block)
 - always @(posedge clk)

```
A \le 1'b0; //A MUST be defined as a reg
```

CONSTANT(1)

- Expression
 - <bit width>'<numerical system expression><number in the numerical system >
 - numerical system expression
 - B / b : Binary
 - O / o : Octal
 - D/d : decimal
 - H/h : hexadecimal
 - '<numerical system expression><number in the numerical system>
 - The default value of bit width is based on the machine-system(at least 32 bit)
 - <number> : default in decimal
 - The default value of bit width is based on the machine-system(at least 32 bit)

CONSTANT(2)

- x(uncertain state) and z (High resistivity state)
 - The default value of a wire variable is Z before its assignment
 - The default value of a reg variable is X before its assignment
- negative value
 - Minus sign must be ahead of bit-width
 - -4'd3 (is ok) while 4'd-3 is illegal
- underline
 - Can be used between number but can NOT be in the bit width and numerical system expression
 - 8'b0011_1010 (is ok) while 8'_b_0011_1010(is illegal)

CONSTANT(3)

- Parameter (symbolic constants)
 - Used for improve the Readability and maintainability
 - Declare an identifier on a constant
 - Parameter p1=expression1,p2=expression2,..;

VARIABLE (1)

- Variable
 - Changeable while process

wire a; wire [7:0] b; wire [4:1] c,d;

Wire

- Net
- Can 't store info, must be driven (such as continuous assignment)
- The input and output port of module is wire by default
- Can NOT be the type of left-hand side of assignment in initial or always block

VARIABLE (2)

Reg

- MUST be the type of left-hand side of assignment in initial or always block
- The default initial value of reg is an indefinite value X. Reg data can be assigned positive values and negative values.
- When a reg data is an operand in an expression, its value is treated as an unsigned value, that is, a positive value.
- For example, when a 4-bit register is used as an operand in an expression, if the register is assigned-1. When performing operations in an expression. It is considered to be a complement representation of + 15 (- 1)

WIRE VS REG

```
module sub_wr();
input reg in1,in2;
output out1;
output out2;
endmodule

Error: Port in1 is not defined

Error: Non-net port in1 cannot be of mode input

Error: Port in2 is not defined

Error: Non-net port in2 cannot be of mode input
```

```
module sub_wr(in1,in2,out1,out2);
input in1,in2;
output out1;
output reg out2;

assign in1 = 1'b1;

initial begin
in2 = 1'b1;
end

Error: procedural assignment to a non-register in2 is not permitted, left-hand side should be reg/integer/time/genvar endmodule
```

```
23  module test_wire_reg(
24  );
25  wire i1,i2;
26  reg o1,o2;
27  sub_wr s1(i1,i2,o1,o2);
28  endmodule
29  module sub_wr(in1,in2,out1,out2);
31  input in1,in2;
32  output out1;
33  output reg out2;
34
```

MEMORY

- Memory can be seen as a set of registers with the same bit width.
 Modeling memory by building arrays of reg variables, and addressing each unit of the array by array index
- Definition:

```
reg [n-1:0] memory name [m-1:0]; // there are m unit in memory, the size of each unit in the memory is n.
```

- Notes:
 - A n-bit register can be assigned in an assignment statement, but a full memory CAN NOT.
 - If you need to read and write a storage unit in memory, you must specify the address of the unit in memory.

```
reg [2:0] Mema [4:0]; // define a memory named Mema which has 5 memory units, each with a bit width of 3 bits. O
Mema [1]= 3'b101; // assign 3'b101 to Mema [1] unit in Mema
```

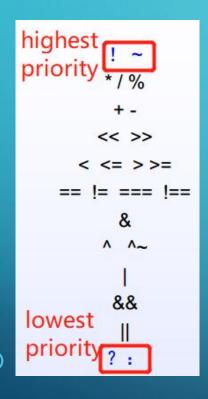
MEMORY (DEMO)

```
module test(
   A, CO, C1, C2
   ):
      input [2:0] A:
      output [1:0] CO, C1, C2;
      reg[1:0] B [2:0];
      assign {CO, C1, C2} = {B[O], B[1], B[2]};
      always @(A)
      if(A)
      begin
          B[0] = 2'b11;
          B[1] = 2'b10;
          B[2] = 2' B01;
       end
      else
      begin
          B[0] = 2'b00;
          B[1] = 2'b00;
          B[2] = 2'B00;
       end
endmodule
```

```
module test(
   A, CO, C1, C2
      input [2:0] A;
      output [1:0] CO, C1, C2;
      reg[1:0] B [2:0];
      assign {CO, C1, C2} = {B[0], B[1], B[2]};
      always @(A)
      if(A)
      begin
          {B[0], B[1], B[2]} = 6'b011011;
          /*B[0] = 2'b11;
          B[1] = 2'b10;
          B[2] = 2'B01:*/
       else
          {B[0], B[1], B[2]} = 6'b0;
          /*B[0] = 2' b00;
          B[1] = 2'b00;
          B[2] = 2'B00;*/
```

Name	Value	0 ns	10 ns ,	20 ns ,	30 ns ,	45. 40 ns
> M A[2:0]	1	0 1	2 \ 3	4 \ 5	6 7	0
₩ C0[1:0]	3	0		3		0
™ C1[1:0]	2	0		2		0
₩ C2[1:0]	1	0		1		0

OPERATOR(1)



Bit splicing operator { }

multiple data or bits of data are separated by commas in order, then using braces to splice them as a whole.

```
Such as: \{a, B[1:0], w, 2'b10\} // Equivalent to \{a, B[1], B[0], w, 1'b1, 1'b0\}
```

Repetition can be used to simplify expressions

```
\{\ 4\ \{w\}\ \} // Equivalent to \{\ w,\ w,\ w,\ w\ \} \{\ b, \{2\ \{x,\ y\}\ \}\  // Equivalent to \{\ b,\ x,\ y,\ x,\ y\ \}
```

OPERATOR(2)

```
module test_bool(A,C);
input [2:0]A;
output reg [2:0]C;
always @(A)
]begin

if(A)
C=2'B11;
else
C=2'B00;
end
endmodule
```

```
module test_bool(A,C);
input [2:0]A;
output reg [2:0]C;
always @(A)
begin

if(A==1)
C=2 B11;
else
C=2'B00;
end
endmodule
```

When numeric values are used for conditional judgment, non-zero values represent logical truth and zero values represent logical false.



		Value at	0 ps	20.0 ns	40.0 ns	60.0 ns	80.0 ns	100.0	
		Name	0 ps	0 ps				110	
-	>	A	B 000	000	001 010	(011 (100)	101 110	111 000	001 X
#	>	С	B 000	000 X	011		000		(011 X

TIPS ON PROJECT(1)

- Using button on the developing board, notice the sharking of button while it is pressed and released.
- Avoid assigning to a variable in several always block, or it would cause conflicts
- Notice on the sensitive list of always block :
 - Suggested: '*' is suggested in combinational logic
 - NOT suggested:
 - (posedge clk, negedge clk) // there is no corresponding component in FPGA
 - (posedge in 1) is not suggested to find a posedge of an input signal

TIPS ON PROJECT(2)

To find the posedge or negedge of input signal 'trig' Following method is suggested



TIPS ON VIVADO (ADD INTRAL SIGNAL TO WAVEFORM)

