

Module: SV for Verification

Section: Typedef/Enum Task: Mailboxes

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Typedef-Enum

➤ Code:

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typedef bit[15:0] data_bus_t; // custom 16-bit data-type of 'data_bus_t' type
typedef enum bit[2:0] {BEQ, BNE, NO_CONDITION, BLT, BGE=3'b101, BLTU, BGEU}
br_cond_e; // custom enumerated variable for conditional branch types

module tb;
    data_bus_t data; // 16-bit variable data of 'data_bus_t' type
    br_cond_e branch; // branch variable of enum 'br_cond_e' type

    initial begin
        branch = 0;
        $display("\nRunning...\n");
        for (int i = 0; i < 8; i++) begin
            case(branch)
                3'b000 : $display("@i = %0d :: Branch = %s", i, branch.name());
                3'b001 : $display("@i = %0d :: Branch = %s", i, branch.name());
                3'b010 : $display("@i = %0d :: Branch = %s", i, branch.name());
                3'b011 : $display("@i = %0d :: Branch = %s", i, branch.name());
                3'b101 : $display("@i = %0d :: Branch = %s", i, branch.name());
                3'b110 : $display("@i = %0d :: Branch = %s", i, branch.name());
                3'b111 : $display("@i = %0d :: Branch = %s", i, branch.name());
                default: $display("@i = %0d :: Branch doesn't exist!", i);
            endcase
            branch=branch + 1;
        end
    end
endmodule
```

➤ Difference b/w bit[15:0] and data_bus_t:

The difference between **bit [15:0] data** and **data_bus_t data** is largely syntactical.

1. bit [15:0] data:

- This explicitly declares a 16-bit bit vector.

2. data_bus_t data:

- This uses a **typedef** alias for **bit [15:0]**, which is essentially the same type.
- **data_bus_t** is a more abstract way to represent the data. Using the typedef improves code readability and maintainability, especially if the bit-width or type of the data bus needs to change later.

In practice, both declarations refer to a 16-bit **bit** vector, but **data_bus_t** provides more flexibility by allowing you to change the underlying type in one place if necessary.

Output:

Running...

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@i = 0 :: Branch = BEQ
@i = 1 :: Branch = BNE
@i = 2 :: Branch = NO_CONDITION
@i = 3 :: Branch = BLT
@i = 4 :: Branch doesn't exist!
@i = 5 :: Branch = BGE
@i = 6 :: Branch = BLTU
@i = 7 :: Branch = BGEU
```

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Time: 0 ns

CPU Time: 0.330 seconds; Data structure size: 0.0Mb

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Done