Verilog modeling* for synthesis of ASIC designs

* for native speakers of VHDL

ELEC 4200

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Hardware Description Languages

- Verilog created in 1984 by Philip Moorby of Gateway Design Automation (merged with Cadence)
 - IEEE Standard 1364-1995/2001/2005
 - Based on the C language
 - Verilog-AMS analog & mixed-signal extensions
 - IEEE Std. 1800-2012 "System Verilog" Unified hardware design, spec, verification
- VHDL = VHSIC Hardware Description Language
 (VHSIC = Very High Speed Integrated Circuits)
 - Developed by DOD from 1983 based on ADA language
 - IEEE Standard 1076-1987/1993/2002/2008
 - VHDL-AMS supports analog & mixed-signal extensions

HDLs in Digital System Design

- Model and document digital systems
 - Behavioral model
 - describes I/O responses & behavior of design
 - Register Transfer Level (RTL) model
 - data flow description at the register level
 - Structural model
 - components and their interconnections (netlist)
 - hierarchical designs
- Simulation to verify circuit/system design
- Synthesis of circuits from HDL models
 - using components from a technology library
 - output is primitive cell-level netlist (gates, flip flops, etc.)

Verilog Modules

The module is the basic Verilog building block

```
Module name List of I/O signals (ports)
module small block (a, b, c, o1, o2);
  input a, b, c;
output o1, o2;
                      I/O port direction declarations
               Internal wire (net) declarations
  wire s;
  assign o1 = s \mid c; // OR operation
  assign s = a & b; // AND operation ├ Logic functions
  assign o2 = s \land c; // XOR operation
endmodule
                                                     (Keywords in bold)
```

Lexical conventions

- Whitespaces include space, tab, and newline
- Comments use same format as C and C++:

```
// this is a one line comment to the end of line
/* this is another single line comment */
/* this is a multiple
line comment */
```

- Identifiers: any sequence of
 - letters (a-z, A-Z), digits (0-9), \$ (dollar sign) and _ (underscore).
 - the first character must be a letter or underscore

Identifier_15, adder_register, AdderRegister

Verilog is case sensitive (VHDL is case insensitive)

Bob, BOB, bob // three different identifiers in Verilog

• Semicolons are statement delimiters; Commas are list separators

Verilog module structure

```
module module_name (port list);
port and net declarations (IO plus wires and regs for internal nodes)
input, output, inout - directions of ports in the list
wire: internal "net" - combinational logic (needs a driver)
reg: data storage element (holds a value – acts as a "variable")
parameter: an identifier representing a constant
```

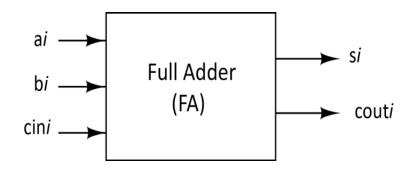
functional description

endmodule

Module "ports"

A port is a module input, output or both

```
module full_adder (ai, bi, cini, si, couti);
input ai, bi, cini;  //declare direction and type
output si, couti;  //default type is wire
```



Verilog 2001: Signal port direction and data type can be combined

```
module dff (d, clk, q, qbar); //port list
  input d, clk;
  output reg q, qbar; // direction and type
```

Verilog 2001: Can include port direction and data type in the port list (ANSI C format)

```
module dff (input d,
input clk,
output reg q, qbar);
```

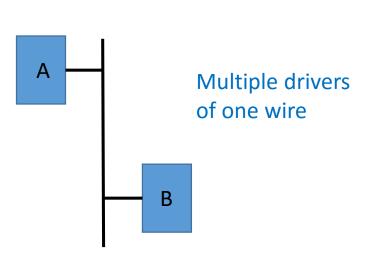
Data types

- Nets connect components and are continuously assigned values
 - wire is main net type (tri also used, and is identical)
- Variables store values between assignments
 - reg is main variable type
 - Also integer, real, time variables
- Scalar is a single value (usually one bit)
- Vector is a set of values of a given type
 - reg [7:0] v1,v2; //8-bit vectors, MSB is highest bit #
 - wire [1:4] v3; //4-bit vector, MSB is lowest bit #
 - reg [31:0] memory [0:127]; //array of 128 32-bit values
 - {v1,v2} // 16-bit vector: concatenate bits/vectors into larger vector

Logic values

• Logic values: 0, 1, x, z = undefined state

x = undefined state
z = tri-state/floating/high impedance



	В					
wire		0	1	Χ	Z	
	0	0	X	X	0	
Α	1	X	1	X	1	
	X	X	X	X	X	
	Z	0	1	X	Z	
0 0 x x 0 A 1 x 1 x 1 x x x x x z 0 1 x z State of the net						

Analagous to VHDL std_logic values '0' '1' 'X' 'Z'

Numeric Constants

Numbers/Vectors: (bit width)'(radix)(digits)

Verilog:	VHDL:	Note:
4'b1010	"1010" or B"1010"	4-bit binary value
12'ha5c	X"0a5c"	12-bit hexadecimal value
6'o71	O"71"	6-bit octal value
8'd255	255	8-bit decimal value
255	255	32-bit decimal value (default)
16'bZ	x"ZZZZ"	16-bit floating value
6'h5A	x"5A"	6-bit value, upper bits truncated
10'h55		10-bit value, zero fill left bits
10'sh55		10-bit signed-extended value
-16'd55		16-bit negative decimal (-55)

Equating symbols to constants

• Use 'define to create global constants (across modules)

```
'define WIDTH 128

'define GND 0

module (input [WIDTH-1:0] dbus)
...
```

• Use parameter to create **local** constants (within a module)

```
module StateMachine ( )
  parameter StateA = 3'b000; parameter StateB = 3'b001;
...
  always @(posedge clock)
    begin
    if (state == StateA)
       state <= StateB; //state transition</pre>
```

Verilog module examples

```
// Structural model of a full adder
                                                    // Dataflow model of a full adder
module fulladder (si, couti, ai, bi, cini);
                                                    module fulladder (si, couti, ai, bi, cini);
    input ai, bi, cini;
                                                         input ai, bi, cini;
    output si, couti;
                                                         output si, couti;
    wire d,e,f,g;
                                                         assign si = ai ^ bi ^ cini;
    xor (d, ai, bi);
                                        Continuous
                                                        // ^ is the XOR operator in Verilog
                                        driving of a
    xor (si, d, cini);
                                                         assign couti = ai & bi | ai & cini | bi & cini;
                                        net
    and (e, ai, bi);
                                                       // & is the AND operator and | is OR
                            Gate
    and (f, ai, cini);
                                                    endmodule
                            instances
    and (g, bi, cini);
    or (couti, e, f, g);
                                                     // Behavioral model of a full adder
                                                     module fulladder (si, couti, ai, bi, cini);
endmodule
                                                          input ai, bi, cini;
                                                          output si, couti;
                     Full Adder
                                                          assign {couti,si} = ai + bi + cini;
                       (FA)
                                                     endmodule
                                          couti
```

Operators (in *increasing* order of **precedence***):

```
logical OR
       &&
               logical AND
               bitwise OR
                                             bitwise NOR
       Λ
               bitwise XOR
                                      \sim \Lambda
                                             bitwise XNOR
       &
               bitwise AND
                                      ~&
                                             bitwise NAND
                                             logical inequality
               logical equality
                                      !==
               less than
                                             less than or equal
       <
                                      <=
              greater than
                                             greater than or equal
also
                                      >=
                                             shift right
               shift left
       <<
                                      >>
                                             subtraction
               addition
       *
               multiply
                                                                            modulus
                                             divide
*Note that: A & B | C & D is equivalent to: (A & B) | (C & D)
              A * B + C * D is equivalent to: (A * B) + (C * D)
```

Preferred forms - emphasizing precedence

Unary operators:

Examples:

```
logical negation
                                                is 4'b1010
       bitwise negation
                                    ~4'b0101
&
                                    & 4'b1111 is 1'b1
       reduction AND
                                    ~& 4'b1111 is 1'b0
~&
       reduction NAND
                                     4'b0000 is 1'b0
       reduction OR
                                    ~ | 4'b0000 is 1'b1
       reduction NOR
~
                                    ^ 4'b0101 is 1'b0
Λ
       reduction XOR
                                    ~^4'b0101 is 1'b1
\sim \Lambda
       reduction XNOR
```

reduction operator is applied to bits of a vector, returning a one-bit result

Combining statements

```
// Wire declaration and subsequent signal assignment
wire a;
assign a = b | (c & d);

// Equivalent to:
  wire a = b | (c & d);
```

Examples: 2-to-1 multiplexer

```
// function modeled by its "behavior"
module MUX2 (A,B,S,Z);
input A,B,S;
                                    //input ports
output Z;
                                    //output port
                                                                       A, B, Z could
always
                                    //evaluate block continuously
                                                                        also be vectors
         begin
                                                                        (of equal # bits)
                  if (S == 0) Z = A; //select input A
                  else Z = B; //select input B
         end
endmodule
// function modeled as a logic expression
                                                                  Using conditional operator:
module MUX2 (A,B,S,Z);
                                                                      assign Z = (S == 0) ? A : B;
                                      //input ports
input A,B,S;
                                      //output port
output Z;
                                                                          True/false
                                                                                       if true: if false
         assign Z = (^S \& A) \mid (S \& B); //continuous evaluation
                                                                          condition
endmodule
```

Multi-bit signals (vectors)

```
// Example: 2-to-1 MUX with 4-bit input/output vectors
module MUX2ARR(A,B,S,Z);
 input [3:0] A,B; // whitespace before & after array declaration
 input S;
 output [3:0] Z; // little-endian form, MSB = bit 3 (left-most)
 reg [0:3] G; // big-endian form, MSB = bit 0 (left-most)
 always
       begin
             if (S == 0) G = A; //Select 4-bit A as value of G
             else G = B; //Select 4-bit B as value of G
      end
                                         A,B,Z,G analagous to
 assign Z = G;
                                         VHDL std logic vector
endmodule
```

Examples: 4-to-1 multiplexer

endmodule

```
// function modeled by its "behavior"
module MUX2 (A,B,C,D,S,Z1,Z2);
input A,B,C,D;
                                                //mux inputs
input [1:0] S;
                                                //mux select inputs
output Z;
                                                //mux output
                                                                                       //equivalent case statement form
always //evaluate block whenever there are changes in S,A,B,C,D
                                                                                      case (S)
      begin //if-else form
                                                                                          2'b00: Z1 = A;
                                               //select input A for S=00
            if
                  (S == 2'b00) Z1 = A;
                                                                                          2'b01: Z1 = B;
            else if (S == 2'b01) Z1 = B;
                                               //select input B for S=01
                                                                                          2'b10: Z1 = C;
            else if (S == 2'b10) Z1= C;
                                               //select input C for S=10
                                                                                          2'b11: Z1 = D;
            else if (S == 2'b11) Z1 = D;
                                               //select input D for S=11
                                                                                          default: Z1 = x;
                                               //otherwise unknown output
            else
                               Z1 = x;
                                                                                       endcase
      end
//assign statement using the conditional operator (in lieu of always block)
assign Z2 = (S == 2'b00)? A:
                                               //select A for S=00
            (S == 2'b01)? B:
                                               //select B for S=01
            (S == 2'b10) ? C:
                                               //select C for S=10
            (S == 2'b11) ? D:
                                                //select D for S=11
                                                //otherwise default to x
                          х;
```

Synthesis may insert latches when defaults not specified.

Hierarchical structure of 4-to-1 MUX (using the previous 2-to-1 MUX)

```
module MUX4 (A,B,c,d,S0,S1,Z);
input A,B,c,d,S0,S1;
output Z;
wire z1,z2;
MUX2 M1(A,B,S0,z1);
MUX2 M2(c,d,S0,z2);
MUX2 M2(c,d,S0,z2);
MUX2 M3(.S(S1), .Z(Z), .A(z1),.B(z2)); //connect signal to port: .port(signal)
// more descriptive, less error-prone
```

endmodule

Define MUX2 module in Verilog source before compiling MUX4 module

Procedural statements and blocks

- A procedure can be an: always block, initial block, function, task
 - Define functionality in an algorithmic manner
 - Insert multiple procedural statements between begin .. end keywords
- A block contains one or more "procedural statements"
 - initial block
 - Executes immediately at start of simulation
 - Executes one time only
 - Used primarily to initialize **simulation** values (rather than for synthesis)
 - always block
 - Executes as an "infinite loop"
 - Executes immediately at start of simulation
 - Executes again whenever "enabled"
 - Enablement can result from time delay, signal change, signal state, etc.

See previous adder/multiplexer examples.

Example: generating a clock

```
wire clk;
initial //execute once – at start of simulation
        begin
                 clk <= 0; //initial state of clk
                 reset <= 0; //initial state of reset line
                 #10 reset <= 1; //delay until time 10, and set reset to 1
                 #10 reset <= 0; //delay until time 20, and set reset back to 0
        end
always //execute as infinite loop, beginning at start of simulation
        begin
                 #10 clk <= ~clk; //suspend loop for 10 time units, toggle clk, and repeat
        end
```

If a block contains a single procedural statement, begin-end can be omitted.

ELEC 4200 Lab 2: Binary to Seven-Segment Display Driver

```
module bin_2_7seg (seg7, hexval);
input [2:0] hexval;
output [6:0] seg7;
reg [6:0] seg7;
always @(hexval) begin //any change in hexval initiates execution
          case (hexval)
                  3'b000: seg7 = 7'b1000000; //0
                  3'b001: seg7 = 7'b1111001; //1
                  3'b010: seg7 = 7'b0100100; //2
                  3'b011: seg7 = 7'b0110000; //3
                  3'b100: seg7 = 7'b0011001; //4
                  3'b101: seg7 = 7'b0010010; //5
                  3'b110: seg7 = 7'b0000010; //6
                  3'b111: seg7 = 7'b11111000; //7
          endcase
  end
endmodule
```

Enabling a procedural block with a clock

```
@ (posedge CLK)
                     wait for rising edge of CLK (0->1, 0->X, X->1)
                     wait for falling edge of CLK (1->0, 1->X, X->0)
@ (negedge CLK)
@ (CLK)
                     wait for either edge of CLK
//Example: simple rising-edge triggered flip-flop:
      always @ (posedge CLK) //wait for rising CLK edge
                                                                 Analagous to VHDL
              begin
                                                                 process with CLK in
                     Q <= D; //Q changes on rising edge
                                                                 sensitivity list
              end
//Example: falling-edge triggered flip-flop with sync preset and clock enable:
       always @ (negedge CLK)
              begin
                           (PR == 1) Q <= 1; //synchronous set
                     else if (CE == 1) Q <= D; //clock enable
              end
```

DFF example – with asynchronous reset

```
module dff (q,d,clk,reset)
 input d,clk,reset;
 output q;
        //"reg" since q stores the flip flop state
 reg q;
              //can combine above two lines: output reg q;
 always @(posedge clk or posedge reset) //sensitive to clk or reset change
       if (reset)
              q \le 1'b0;
                                     //load prevented if reset active
       else
              q \le d;
                                     //load if rising clk edge when reset not active
endmodule
```

DFF example – with synchronous reset

```
module dff (q,d,clk,reset)
                            //"reg" since q stores the flip flop state
 output reg q;
 input d, clk, reset;
 always @(posedge clk) //sensitive to rising edge of clk
                           //reset takes precedence over load
      if (reset)
              q \le 1'b0;
       else
                            //load if reset not active
             q \le d;
endmodule
```

DFF-based register with asynchronous reset

```
//Use in RTL models
module dreg (q,d,clk,reset)
 input clk,reset;
 input [31:0] d;
                         //32-bit input
 output reg [31:0] q; //32-bit register state
 always @(posedge clk or posedge reset) //react to clk or reset change
                          //reset takes precedence over clock
      if (reset)
            q <= 0; //load 32-bit constant 0
                          //rising clk edge while reset=0
      else
            q <= d; //load 32-bit input
endmodule
```

D latch (level sensitive)

Sensitivity list for combinational logic

```
// function modeled by its "behavior"
module MUX2 (A,B,S,Z);
                                                                All inputs to
                                                                the combinational
                              //input ports
input A,B,S;
                                                                logic function
output reg Z;
                              //output port
always @(S or A or B)
                              //evaluate block on any change in S,A,B
       begin
                                                                Alternative:
               if (S == 0) Z = A; //select input A
                                                                  always @(*)
               else Z = B; //select input B
                                                                Where * indicates any
       end
                                                                signal that might affect
endmodule
                                                                another within this block.
```

Timing control and delays**

```
'timescale 1ns/10ps //time units/precision (s,ns,ps,fs), multiplier=1,10,100
Intra-assignment:
      x = #5 y; //Equivalent to the following
         hold = y; //capture y at t = 0
         #5; //delay until t = 5
         x = hold; //update x
Delayed assignment:
      #5 x = y; //Equivalent to the following
         #5; //delay from t = 0 until t = 5
         x = y; //copy value of y to x
```

** Delays are ignored by synthesis tools

Blocking vs non-blocking assignments

- Blocking statements (x = y;)
 - Executed in order listed, delaying execution of next statement as specified
 - Effects of one statement take effect before next statement executed
 - Will not block execution of statements in parallel blocks
 - Use for modeling **combinational** logic
- Non-blocking statements (x <= y;)
 - Schedule assignments without blocking other statements
 - Execute next statement without waiting for first statement to execute
 - Use for modeling **sequential** logic

```
//Blocking example
A = B; //block until after A changes
C = A + 1; //use "new" A value from above

//Non-blocking example
A <= B; //schedule A change and continue
C <= A + 1; //use "old" A value – not the new one
```

Blocking vs non-blocking examples

```
// Blocking example
   x = 0; // x changes at t = 0
   a = 1; // a changes at t = 0
   #10 c = 3; // delay until t=10, then c changes
   #15 d = 4; // delay until t=25, then d changes
   e = 5; // e changes at t = 25
//Non-blocking example
   x = 0; //execute at t = 0
   a = 1; //execute at t = 0
   c \le #15 3; //evaluate at t = 0, schedule c to change at t = 15
   d \le #10 4; //evaluate at t = 0, schedule d to change at t = 10
   c \le c + 1; //evaluate at t = 0, schedule c to change at t = 0
```

Example of blocking/non-blocking delays

initial begin

```
a = 1; b = 0; //block until after change at t=0
                                                       Results:
#1 b = 1; //delay until t=1; then block until b=1
                                                           <u>a b c d e f g</u>
         //block until t=2, c=val from t=1
c = #1 1;
                                                           1 0 x x x x x
#1;
             //delay to t=3
                                                           1 1 x x x x x
d = 1;
             //block until change at t=3
                                                           1 1 1 x x x x x
e <= #1 1; //non-blocking, update e at t=4
                                                           1 1 1 1 x x x
#1 f <= 1; //delay to t=4, non-blocking f update
             //still t=4, non-blocking g update
g <= 1;
```

end

Example

Blocking: (a-b end up with same value – race condition)

```
always @(posedge clock)

a = b; //change a NOW

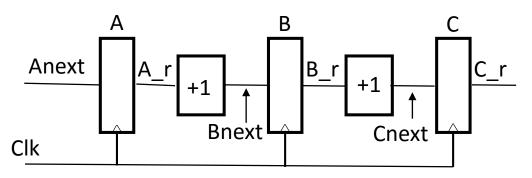
always @(posedge clock)

b = a; //change b to new a value
```

Non-blocking: (a-b swap values)

always @(posedge clock)

Non-blocking examples



```
// Registers react to clock concurrently
// Adders modeled as combinational logic
wire Anext, Bnext, Cnext;
reg A_r, B_r, C_r;
always @(posedge Clk) begin
       A r <= Anext; //load FFs
       B r <= Bnext; //after delay
       C r <= Cnext;
  end;
//Comb logic with blocking stmts
assign Bnext = A_r + 1;
assign Cnext = B r + 1;
```

Arithmetic operations for RTL modeling

- Verilog recognizes standard arithmetic operators
- Synthesis tools will generate arithmetic circuits

The size of the operation is that of the largest operand (input or output). In this example, the result is 9 bits, which is the size of {Cout,Z}.

Alternate adder example

```
module Adder_16 (A, B, Z, Cin, Cout);
 input [31:0] A, B;
                               //32-bit inputs
                               //carry input bit
 input Cin;
 output [31:0] Z;
                               //32-bit sum
                               //carry output bit
 output Cout;
                               //34-bit temporary result
 wire [33:0] Temp;
 assign Temp = {1'b0,A,Cin} + {1'b0,B,1'b1}; //1 added to bit 1 if Cin=1
 assign \{Cout, Z\} = Temp[33:1]; //Cout=bit 33, Sum=bits 32:1
endmodule
```

Optimizing circuits (1)

```
//synthesis tool infers two adders from the following
module Add1 (sel, a, b, c, d, y);
 input a, b, c, d, sel; output reg y;
 always @(sel or a or b or c or d) begin
       if (sel == 0) //mux selects output
             y <= a + b; //adder 1
       else
              y \le c + d; //adder 2
 end
endmodule
```

Optimizing circuits (2)

```
//synthesis tool infers a single adder from the following
//indicate that a mux selects adder inputs
module Add2 (sel, a, b, c, d, y);
 input a, b, c, d, sel; output y; reg t1, t2, y;
 always @(sel or a or b or c or d) begin
        if (sel == 0) //muxes select adder inputs
                begin t1 = a; t2 = b; end
        else
                begin t1 = c; t2 = d; end
                                              Note use of blocking statements
        y = t1 + t2; //adder circuit
                                              to ensure desired adder inputs
 end
endmodule
```

Conditional statements

- *if-else* constructs
 - like C, except that instead of open and close brackets { ... } use keywords begin ... end to group multiple assignments associated with a given condition
 - begin ... end are not needed for single assignments
- case constructs
 - similar to C switch statements, selecting one of multiple options based on values of a single selection signal
- for (i = 0; I < 10; i = i + 1) statements
- repeat (count) statements //repeat statements "count" times
- while (abc) statements //repeat statements while abc "true" (non-0)

if-else example: 4-to-1 multiplexer

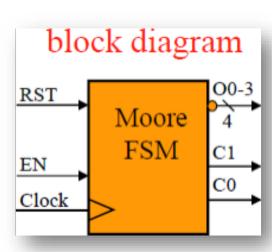
```
module MUX4 (A,B,C,D,S0,S1,Z);
input A,B,C,D,S0,S1;
output Z;
wire Z1,Z2;
always
   begin
                  ((S1 == 1'b0) \&\& (S0 == 1'b0)) Z = A;
           else if ((S1 == 1'b0) \&\& (S0 == 1'b1)) Z = B;
           else if ((S1 == 1'b1) \&\& (S0 == 1'b0)) Z = C;
           else
                                                 Z = D;
   end
endmodule
```

```
module tri_asgn (source, ce, wrclk, selector, result);
                                                          Example:
input [3:0] source ;
                                                          tri-state bus driver
input ce, wrclk;
input [1:0] selector;
output reg result ;
                                                          //"if" statement
reg [3:0] intreg;
                                                          always @(posedge wrclk)
tri result_int; //tri (tri-state) is same as wire
                                                          begin
// combine net declaration and assignment
wire [1:0] sel = selector;
                                                             if (ce)
// select one "intreg" bit to drive "result"
                                                              begin
assign // (condition) ? true-result : false-result
                                                               intreg = source;
  result int = (sel == 2'b00) ? intreg[0] : 1'bZ,
                                                                result = result int;
  result_int = (sel == 2'b01) ? intreg[1] : 1'bZ ,
                                                              end
  result int = (sel == 2'b10) ? intreg[2] : 1'bZ,
                                                          end
  result int = (sel == 2'b11) ? intreg[3] : 1'bZ ;
                                                          endmodule
```

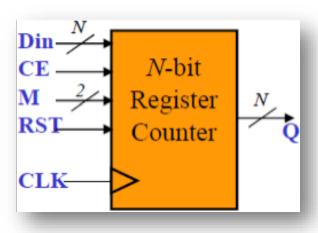
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FSM modeling styles
module MooreFSM (CLK,X,Z);
input CLK,X;
                                                                                              X=1
output Z;
reg [1:0] CS;
parameter SA = 2'b00
                            // define state A with binary value 00
                                                                            <u>SA</u>
parameter SB = 2'b01
                                                                             0
                            // define state B with binary value 01
parameter SC = 2'b10
                            // define state C with binary value 10
                                                                                                      0
// State transitions
always @ (posedge CLK)
                                                    // Moore model output
    begin
                                                    always @ (CS)
         if (CS == SA) // IF-ELSE form
                                                         begin //CASE statement form
                  begin
                                                             case (CS) // CASE (selector)
                     if (X == 0) CS = SC;
                                                                SA:
                                                                       begin
                     else CS = SB:
                                                                          Z = 1'b0:
                  end
                                                                       end
         else if (CS == SB)
                                                                SB:
                                                                       begin
                  begin
                                                                          Z = 1'b1;
                     if (X == 0) CS = SA;
                                                                       end
                     else CS = SC:
                                                                SC:
                                                                       begin
                  end
                                                                          Z = 1'b1:
         else
                                                                       end
                  begin
                                                             endcase
                     if (X == 0) CS = SB;
                                                         end
                     else CS = SA;
                                                    endmodule
                  end
  end
```

<u>SC</u>

```
/* ELEC 4200 Lab 4 – Moore model finite state machine */
module MooreFSM (RST, EN, Clock, OUT, C1, C0);
 input RST, EN, Clock; output C1, C0;
 output [3:0] OUT; reg [3:0] OUT;
 parameter S0 = 4'b0001; parameter S1 = 4'b0010;
 parameter S2 = 4'b0100; parameter S3 = 4'b1000;
 always @(posedge Clock) begin
     if (RST == 1) begin
          OUT = S0;
                                     //reset to SO
       end
                                     //state changes
     else if (EN == 1) begin
          case (OUT)
             S0: OUT = S1;
             S1: OUT = S2;
             S2: OUT = S3;
             S3: OUT = S0;
           endcase
       end
 end
 assign C1 = OUT[3] | OUT[2]; //Encode outputs
 assign CO = OUT[1] \mid OUT[3];
endmodule
```



```
/* ELEC 4200 Lab 5 – Universal 8-bit register/counter */
module Counter(CLK, RST, CE, M, Din, Q);
input CLK, RST, CE;
input [1:0] M;
input [7:0] Din;
output reg [7:0] Q;
always @(posedge CLK) begin
  if (RST) begin
       Q = 8'h00;
                                      //reset
    end
  else if (CE) begin
                                       //clock enable
             (M == 2'b01) Q = Q << 1; //shift
       else if (M == 2'b10) Q = Q + 1; //count
       else if (M == 2'b11) Q = Din; //load
    end
 end
endmodule
```



for loop – similar to C construct

```
// 32-bit full adder
always
begin
  for (n=0; n<32; n++) // ripple carry form
  begin
      sum[n] = Ain[n] ^ Bin[n] ^ carry[n];
      carry[n+1] = (Ain[n] \& Bin[n]) | (Ain[n] \& carry[n]) | (Bin[n] \& carry[n]);
 end
end
```

while loop – execute until while expression not true

```
reg [15:0] buffer [0:7];
integer k;
always @(posedge clock)
  begin
      k = 8;
      while (k) //store data at posedge of next 8 clocks
         begin
             k = k - 1; //copy data to words 7-0 of buffer
             @(posedge clock) buffer[k] = data;
         end
  end
```

repeat loop – repeat a fixed #times

```
parameter cycles = 8;  // repeat loop counter for below
reg [15:0] buffer [0:7];
integer k;
always @(posedge clock)
  begin
       k = 0;
       repeat (cycles) //store data at posedge of next 8 clocks
        begin //fill buffer words 0-7 with data
              @(posedge clock) buffer[k] = data;
              k = k + 1;
        end
  end
```

Memory models

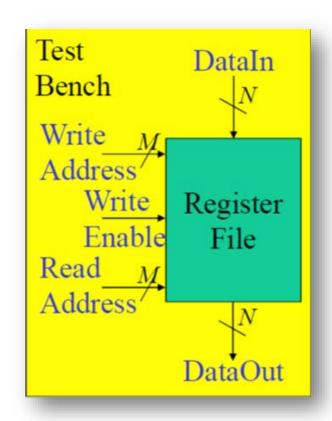
Memory is an array of registers

```
reg [7:0] accumulator; //8-bit register
reg mem1bit [ 0:1023]; //array of bits
reg [7:0] membyte [0:1023] //array of bytes

mem1bit[511] - refers to one bit of memory
membyte[511] - refers to one byte of memory
accumulator[5] - refers to bit 5 of the accumulator register
accumulator[3:0] - refers to lower half of the accumulator register
```

• Additional dimensions: reg [7:0] mem [0..127][0..63]

```
/* Lab 6 - Register file */
`timescale 1ns / 1ns
module RegFile (ReadAddress, WriteAddress, WE, DataIn, DataOut);
 input [3:0] ReadAddress, WriteAddress;
 input [7:0] DataIn;
 input WE;
 output [7:0] DataOut;
 reg [7:0] RF [0:15];
                                     //16 8-bit registers
 assign DataOut = RF[ReadAddress]; //continuous read
 always @(WE) begin
     if (WE)
           RF[WriteAddress] = DataIn; //write register
  end
endmodule
```



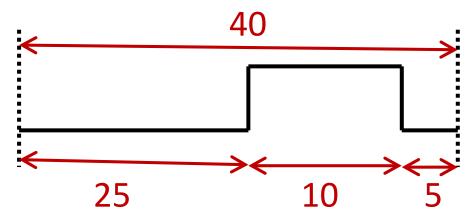
```
// Title Lab 6 test bench : RegFile_tb
`timescale 1ns / 1ns
module RegFile tb;
//Internal signals declarations:
reg [3:0]ra;
reg [3:0]wa;
reg we;
reg [7:0]din;
wire [7:0]dout;
// Unit Under Test port map
         RegFile UUT (
                   .ReadAddress(ra),
                   .WriteAddress(wa),
                   .WE(we),
                   .DataIn(din),
                   .DataOut(dout));
```

```
//testbench continued – stimulus for inputs
initial begin
          we = 0;
          ra = 4'b0000;
          din = 8'd0;
          for (wa = 4'h0; wa <= 4'hf; wa = wa + 1) begin \frac{1}{16} write operations
                    din = din + 5;
                    #5 we = 1;
                                                        //we pulse = 5ns
                   #5 we = 0;
                                                        //we period = 10ns
          end
          din = 8'd0;
                                                        //expected read-back value
          for (ra = 4'h0; ra <= 4'hf; ra = ra + 1) begin
                                                      //read the 16 registers
                    din = din + 5;
                                                        //next value that was written
                                                        //read time 10ns
                    #10;
                    if (dout !== din) $display ("ERROR dout not correct.");
          end
          $finish;
 end
```

endmodule

Producing a clock signal

```
initial x = 0; //set initial value always begin //block is repeated (assume t=0 initially) #25 x = 1; //delay to t=25, then continue by assigning x=1 #10 x = 0; //delay to t=35, then continue by assigning x=0 #5; //delay to t=40, then continue end
```



Example – D flip flop

```
module example
  reg Q, Clk;
  wire D;
  assign D = 1;
                                       //D=1 for this example
  always @(posedge Clk) Q = D;
                                       //normal flip flop clocking
  initial Clk = 0;
                                       //initial state of Clk reg
  always #10 Clk = ^{\sim}Clk;
                                       //toggle clock for period of 20
  initial begin
         #50;
         $finish; //simulation control – end simulation
 end
 always begin
         $display("T=",%2g, $time," D=",D," Clk =",Clk," Q=",Q); //generate output listing every 10 time units
         #10;
 end
endmodule
```

Verilog built-in primitive gates

- Verilog has 8 gate types that are primitive components: and, or, nand, nor, xor, xnor, not, buf
- Format:
 gate INSTANCE_NAME (Z,I1,I2,...IN); // list output first, followed by inputs

```
module carry_out(A,B,Cin,Cout)
input A,B,Cin;
output Cout;
wire w1,w2,w3;
and A1 (w1,A,B); //primitive and gate instances
and A2 (w2,A,Cin);
and A3 (w3,B,Cin);
or O1 (Cout,w1,w2,w3); //primitive or gate instance
endmodule
```

Lists of assign/gate instance statements

- Can specify a comma-separated list of gates of one type
- Likewise for "assign" statements

```
module carry_out(A,B,Cin,Cout)
input A,B,Cin;
output Cout;
wire w1,w2,w3,w4,w5;
and A1 (w1,A,B),
                               // list of three and gate instances
      A2 (w2,A,Cin),
      A3 (w3,B,Cin);
assign w4 = w1 \& w2,
                               // list of two assign statements
        Cout = w4 & w3;
endmodule
```

Specifying delays

Net delays:

```
assign #8 a = b & c; //a changes 8 time units after b/c change
       wire #8 a = b & c; //equivalent to the following statement pair
          wire a;
          assign #8 a = b \& c;
       //above also equivalent to the following statement pair
         wire #8 a; //8 units of delay to any assignment to net a
         assign a = b \& c;
Logic gate delays:
                N1(out1,in1,in2); //delay of 5 for any change at gate output
   nand #5
   nand #(3,5) N2(out2,in1,in2); //output rising delay=3, falling delay=5
   nand #(3,5,7) N3(out3,in1,in2); //rising delay=3, falling delay=5, delay to hi-Z=7
```

Allow for process variations and loading

Triplet of delay values: (minimum: typical: maximum)

```
// triplet of net delays
#(1.1 : 1.4 : 1.5) assign delay_a = a;
// triplet of nand gate rise, fall times
nand #(1:2:3, 2:3:4) N1(out1, in1, in2);
// 3 triplets of buffer delays, for rise, fall and change to hi-Z state
buf #(1:2:3, 2:3:4, 4:5:6) B1(out2, in3);
```

Specify block for pin-to-pin delays

```
module DFF (Q, clk, D, pre, clr);
 input clk,D,pre,clr; output Q;
 DFlipFlop(Q, clk, D); //previously-defined D flip flop module
 specify specparam
       tPLH \ clk \ Q = 3, tPHL \ clk \ Q = 2.9;
       tPLH set Q = 1.2, tPHL set Q = 1.1;
       (clk => Q) = (tPLH \ clk \ Q, tPHL \ clk \ Q); //=> clk to Q (rise, fall)
       (pre,clr *> Q) = (tPLH set Q,tPHL set Q); //*> each input to each output
end specify
endmodule
```

Verilog simulation commands

```
$finish //stop simulation
$time
           //current simulation time
$display("Some text to be printed to listing window");
$monitor("T=", $time, " A=", A, " B=", B); //print text & signals to list window
       T=0 A=1 B=x //similar to C printf statement
       T=5 A=0 B=1
       • • •
$dumpvars //
```

Signal strengths

 Verilog allows a signal strength to be associated with a logic state (Similar to IEEE 1164 std_logic for VHDL)

Strength	Abbreviation	Value	Meaning
Supply	Su	7	Power supply
Strong	St	6	Default gate drive (default)
Pull	Pu	5	Pull up/down
Large	La	4	Large capacitance
Weak	We	3	Weak drive
Medium	Me	2	Medium capacitance
Small	Sm	1	Small capacitance
High Z	Hi	0	High impedance

Examples: strong1, pull1, supply0, Su1, Su0, etc.

User-defined primitive gates (combinational)

• Define own primitive "gates" via a truth table

User-defined primitive gates (sequential)

• Include a "state" in the primitive truth table between input & output