

7.10 Exercises

1. Declare a register called *oscillate*. Initialize it to 0 and make it toggle every 30 time units. Do not use **always** statement (Hint: Use the **forever** loop).

```
reg oscillate;
initial
begin
    oscillate = 1b'0;
    forever #30 oscillate = ~oscillate;
end
```

2. Design a *clock* with time period = 40 and a duty cycle of 25% by using the **always** and **initial** statements. The value of *clock* at time = 0 should be initialized to 0.

```
module duty_cycle;
    reg clock;
    initial
    begin
        clock = 0;
    end
    always begin
        #1 clock = 0;
        #3 clock = 1;
    end
end module;
```

3. Given below is an **initial** block with blocking procedural assignments. At what simulation time is each statement executed? What are the intermediate and final values of a , b , c , d ?

```
initial
begin
  a = 1'b0;
  b = #10 1'b1;
  c = #5 1'b0;
  d = #20 {a, b, c};
end
```

35 units

intermediate val: $a=0$

final $\Rightarrow a=0, b=1, c=0, d=\{0,1,0\}$

4. Repeat exercise 3 if *nonblocking* procedural assignments were used.

intermediate: $a=0, b=0, c=0, d=\{0,0,0\}$

final $\Rightarrow a=0, b=1, c=0, d=\{a,b,c\}$

6. What is the final value of d in the following example. (Hint: See *intra-assignment delays*).

```
initial
begin
    b = 1'b1; c = 1'b0;
    #10 b = 1'b0;
initial
begin
    d = #25 (b | c);
end
```

#0 $b=1$ $c=0$

#10 $b=0$

#25 $b=0$, $c=0$

$d=0$

17. Below is a block with nested *sequential* and *parallel* blocks. When does the block finish and what is the order of execution of events? At what simulation times does each statement finish execution?

```
initial
begin
    x = 1'b0;
    #5 y = 1'b1;
    fork
        #20 a = x;
        #15 b = y;
    join
    #40 x = 1'b1;
    fork
        #10 p = x;
        begin
            #10 a = y;
            #30 b = x;
        end
        #5 m = y;
    join
end
```

#0 x = 1'b0;
#5 y = 1'b1;
#20 b = y;
#25 a = x;
#45 x = 1'b1;
#50 m = y;
#55 p = x;
#55 a = y;
#85 b = x;

8.5 Exercises

1. Define a **function** to calculate the *factorial* of a 4-bit number. The output is a 32-bit value. Invoke the function by using stimulus and check results.

```
function automatic [0:31] factorial;  
    input [0:3] Num;  
    begin  
        if( Num == 1)  
            factorial = 1;  
        else  
            factorial = Num * factorial (Num-1);  
        end  
    end function
```

2. Define a **function** to multiply two 4-bit numbers *a* and *b*. The output is an 8-bit value. Invoke the function by using stimulus and check results.

```
function a result;  
    input a [0:3] a;  
    input b [0:3] b;  
    begin  
        result = a * b;  
    end  
end module
```

4. Define a **task** to compute the factorial of a 4-bit number. The output is a 32-bit value. The result is assigned to the output after a delay of 10 time units.

```
task factorial;  
  output[31:0] result;  
  input [3:0] val;  
  initial  
    → integer i;  
  begin  
    result = 1'b1;  
    for(i=0; i < val; i=i+1)  
      result = result * val;  
  end.
```

5. Define a **task** to compute even parity of a 16-bit number. The result is a 1-bit value that is assigned to the output after three positive edges of clock. (Hint: Use a **repeat** loop in the task).