

◆ **Objective: Duty-Cycle Correction Circuit Design**

◆ **Experience to be Learnt from this Homework:**

To get familiar with the design process of a timing circuit and a hybrid simulation method performed on a system consisting of both netlists and behavior model extracted from SPICE simulation.

◆ **Step-by-Step Procedure**

Consider a design process for a duty-cycle corrector for a 1GHz input clock signal, denoted as *clk\_in*. The output clock signal is denoted as *clk\_dcc*. Once locked, *clk\_dcc* will have a duty cycle very close to 50%.

- (a) (20%) Draw a block diagram of your design and summarizing how you plan to achieve the duty-cycle correction with a paragraph.
- (b) (20%) Realize the design as a synthesizable Verilog code. (Your design can be a mixed format containing both netlists and RTL codes). (Hint: you may need Tunable Delay Lines, A Phase Detector, and a Controller, etc.) In this homework, we only need to use simple TDL, e.g., path-selection-based TDL, and some cell-based Phase Detector from homework #1). Resolution is not a concern in this homework.
- (c) (15%) Try to use Design Compiler to synthesize your design into standard-cell netlists.
- (d) (15%) Verify the correctness of your design by running gate-level Verilog simulation using as accurate delay model as possible. (Note: you may need to use your behavior model from homework #1 for the PD part). Show the waveforms of *clk\_in* and *clk\_dcc*. Try the following input duty cycle samples for *clk\_in* – {30%, 40%, 50%, 60%, 70% }.
- (e) (15%) Try to use SOC Encounter to generate the layout of your design. What is the size of your layout?
- (f) (15%) Try to re-do what you have done for problem (d), but back-annotated with the post-layout SDF information except the PD part. Compare your results with those derived in the pre-layout simulation.

◆ **Deliverables: Submit the following documents (combined into a PDF file) to our iLMS system.**

- ◆ A cover page containing 所有組員之系所，中英文姓名，學號等資訊
- ◆ Your results to questions (a)-(f)
- ◆ 各個組員的負責項目，或是貢獻方式的一段簡述。