

합성과 시뮬레이션을 위한

HDL 의 기초



목표



- 하드웨어 기술 언어 (**HDL-Hardware Description Languages**) 에 의한 디지털 회로 설계에 대한 고찰
- **HDL**에 의한 디지털 회로의 시뮬레이션 및 합성의 기본 개념 이해
- **VHDL** 와 **Verilog** 등 **HDL**의 기본적인 형태
- 예제를 통한 **HDL**에 의한 디지털 회로 기술



HDL이란 무엇인가?



■ HDL의 종류

◆ VHDL (~93%), Verilog(~35%)

■ 전자회로의 **Modeling**

■ 전자회로 입력(**Design Entry**)언어

■ 회로 테스트용 언어

■ 회로의 네트리스트 기술 언어

■ 표준화 및 이식성(**portable**) 우수



VHDL의 개략적인 역사



■ **1981:** 미 국방부 (DoD) 의 지원아래 HDL에 대한 표준화 착수

■ **1983-1985:** VHDL 개발 (Intermetrics, IBM, TI)

■ **1987:** IEEE Standard 1076-1987 제정

■ **1991:** IEEE Standard 1164 (standard nine-valued logic) 제정



VHDL의 역사 (계속)



- **1993: IEEE Standard 1076-1993**
- **1995: IEEE Standards 1076.3,1076.4**
- **IEEE 1076 VHDL Working Group**
 - ◆ **IEEE 1076.1 : VHDL-A Analog extension**
 - ◆ **IEEE 1076.2 : Math Package**
 - ◆ **IEEE 1076.3 : Synthesis Package (std_logic_1164)**
 - ◆ **IEEE 1076.4 : Timing Methodology (VITAL)**
 - ◆ **IEEE 1076.5 : Utility**
 - ◆ **IEEE P1165 : EDIF**



Verilog의 개략적인 역사



- **1985: Verilog language and simulator developed by Gateway Automation**
- **1985-1989: Increasing use of Verilog as a Golden simulator for ASIC companies.**
- **1989: Verilog merges with Cadence**
- **1990: Open Verilog International (OVI) formed**
- **1995: IEEE standard 1364 adopted**



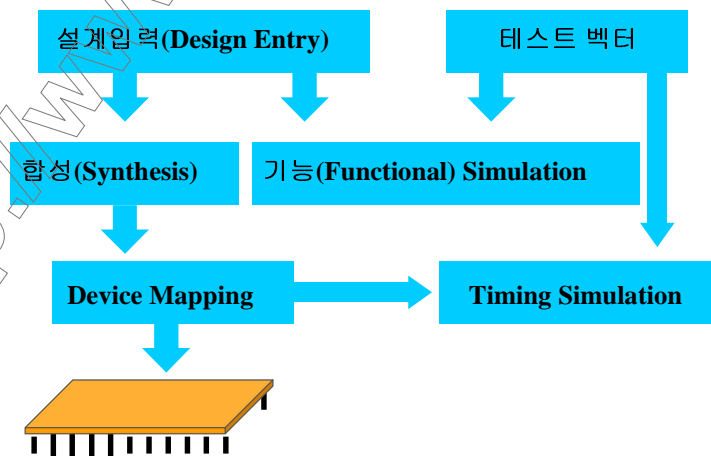
HDL을 어디에 쓰는가?



- 다양한 추상화 수준에서 설계사양 기술
 - ◆ **Transistor** 수준에서 시스템 수준까지..
- 실제 설계 입력
 - ◆ 합성가능한 코딩
- 기능 및 타이밍 시뮬레이션
- 설계의 **Documentation**
- 다양한 **EDA** 툴 사이의 **Interface**



자동화된 설계 과정





왜 HDL을 사용 하는가?



- 설계의 생산성 향상
- Time to Market
- Design Re-Use
- 적은 인력으로 복잡도 높은 설계 (3~5명)
- 향후 Device/Tool/Tech 의 변경에 대처
- EDA 표준 (Portability, 설계 Tool -Synthesis, Test/Verify, P&R-사이의 Interface)



왜 HDL사용을 기피하는가?



- 배우기 까다롭다?
 - ◆ HDL만 관련한 것은 아니다. 예제들이 많이 있으니...
- tool 값이 너무 비싸다?
 - ◆ 맞는 말이긴 하지만 상황이 바뀌고 있다
 - ◆ PC-Based, \$10,000 이하
- HDL은 ASIC에 치중되어 있어서 PLD나 FPGA에 맞지 않는다?
 - ◆ HDL은 범용 언어이다
- PLD/FPGA 응용 전문가가 드물다?
 - ◆ Device vendor FAE들이 만족스럽지 않을지 모르지만 누구나 전문가가 될 수 있다



Verilog 로 할까? VHDL로 할까?



- Verilog 가 시뮬레이션 모델에 유용?
 - ◆ VHDL에는 VITAL이...
- VHDL은 다양한 수준의 기술이 가능하며 설계관리 용이
- VHDL, Verilog 모두 배우긴 쉽지만 완전히 터득하기 어렵긴 마찬가지
 - ◆ 경험이 중요!
- 장단점에 대한 논의는 끝이 없다
 - ◆ 언어를 말하기 전에 사용할 수 있는 틀은?



PLD 전용 언어들은?



- 범용 HDL(VHDL, Verilog)에 비해 배우기 쉽고 간단하다.
- PLD 전용이다.
 - ◆ built-in device macros, pin and node numbers, 등등...
 - ◆ re-targetting 불가
- 실제 회로의 합성용일 뿐이다.
 - ◆ 시뮬레이션과 Documentation용은 아니다
- PLD 의 크기, 핀 할당등에 적절하다.
- 툴 가격이 저렴하거나 무료이다.



추상화(Abstraction) 수준



Behavior

Performance Specifications

Test Benches

Sequential Descriptions

State Machines

Dataflow

Register Transfers

Selected Assignments

Arithmetic Operations

Boolean Equations

Structure

Hierarchy

Physical Information

Level of Abstraction

Synthesizable



추상화 수준(계속)



PLD
전용언어



Verilog



VHDL

Level of Abstraction



추상화 수준 (Behavior Style)



■ Behavior:

- ◆ Sequential statements
- ◆ implied registers (like a software programming language)

/ Programming Language */*

```
int a, b, c;
a = b;
b = c;
```

-- VHDL
-- testbench clock generator
 clock: process
 constant PERIOD := 100 ns;
 variable c: std_ulogic := '0';
 begin
 wait for PERIOD / 2;
 c := not c;
 Clk <= c;
 end process;

-- VHDL
-- Register inference
 clock: process(Clk)
 begin
 if (Clk='1' AND Clk'EVENT) then
 q <= d;
 end if;
 end process;



추상화 수준 (Dataflow)



■ Dataflow:

- ◆ Concurrent assignments
- ◆ Explicit registers (like a PLD language)

```
signal a,b,c,d,q;
begin
  c <= a and b;
  b <= c and d;
  q <= d when (clk='1' and clk'event);
end;
```




추상화 수준 (Structure)



■ Structure:

◆ Connected components (like a netlist)

```
component nand2
  port ( i0, i1 : std_logic; o : out std_logic);
end component;
signal a, b, c, d;
begin
  u1 : nand2 port map (i0 => a, i1 => b, o => c);
  u2 : nand2 port map (i0 => c, i1 => d, o => a);
end;
```

Lab. Exercise



Switch-Level Simulation

VHDL 개요



VHDL Design Units
VHDL Types
VHDL Objects
VHDL Statements

VHDL Design Units



Entity
Architecture
Configuration
Package



VHDL Design Units



Package

```
package my_common is
  -- Common declarations
end my_common;
```

Entity

```
entity my_design is
  port(...);
end my_design;
```

Architecture

```
architecture my_arch of my_design is
begin
  .....
end my_arch;
```

Configuration

```
configuration this_build of my_design is
  -- Configuration (binding) information
end this_build;
```



Simple Design



Standard Libraries

Package

Package

Entity/Architecture

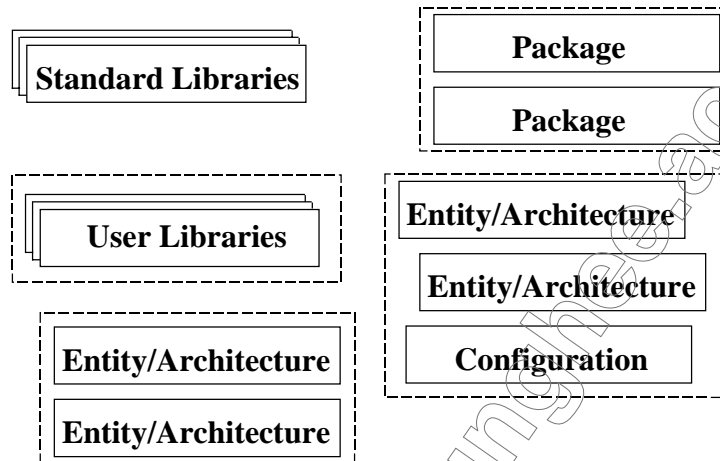
Entity/Architecture

Entity/Architecture

VHDL Source File



More Complex Design



Entity and Architecture



- **Basic Building Blocks**
- **Entity : “Black Box”**
 - ◆ Boundary of Logic Block
 - ◆ Declare Port and Generics
 - ◆ System Interface
- **Architecture**
 - ◆ Contents of Logic Block
 - ◆ Structural, Dataflow, Behavioral

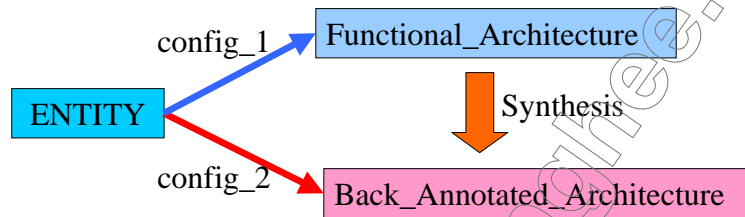


Configuration



■ Configuration

- ◆ Configure each component instantiation with Different Entity or Architecture



Entity Example



```
entity compare is
  port( A, B: in bit_vector(0 to 7);
        EQ: out bit);
end compare;
```

- Specifies entity name : compare
- Specifies type and direction (mode) for all ports : in, out, inout, buffer
- Provides a complete specification for the interface : type and bit width



Architecture Example



```
architecture compare1 of compare is  
begin
```

```
    EQ <= '1' when (A = B) else '0';
```

```
end compare1;
```

- ARCHITECTURE is bound to an entity by name
- ARCHITECTURE defines the entity contents
- ARCHITECTURE may contain references to lower-level entities (hierarchy)

Lab. Exercise



8-Bit Compare

VHDL Data Types



Scalar Types
Composite Types



Data Types (VHDL 자료형)



- All signals have a type
- Type checking is strict !
- Each type has a defined set of valid operations
- Each type has a defined set of values
- Types are user-extendable



VHDL Data Types (분류)



- **Scalar Types**
 - ◆ Enumeration Type
 - ◆ Integer Type
 - ◆ Floating-Point Types
 - ◆ Physical Types
- **Composite Types**
 - ◆ Array Types
 - ◆ Record Types
- **Access Types**
- **File Types**



Common Types



- **Bit (or std_logic, defined by IEEE 1164)**
- **Bit_vector (or std_logic_vector)**
- **Boolean**
- **Integer**
- **Character**
- **String**
- **Enumerated type**



More Types



- Real (floating point)
- Physical (time, current, etc.)
- Arrays (single- and multi-dimensional, constrained or unconstrained)
- Records
- Access types (pointers)
- File types



Enumerated Types



- Many common VHDL types are actually enumerated types:
 - ◆ Boolean (TRUE, FALSE);
 - ◆ Bit (1,0)
 - ◆ char
- User extendable:

```
type Boolean is ( FALSE, TRUE);  
type bit is ('0', '1');  
type std_ulogic is ('U', 'X', '0', '1', 'Z', 'W', 'L', 'H', '-');  
type states is ( IDLE, RECEIVE, SEND);
```



Enumerated Type Encoding



- One Hot Encoding (State Machine)
- Binary Encoding

	bit2	bit1	bit0
IDLE	-	-	1
RECEIVE	-	1	-
SEND	1	-	-

OneHot

	bit1	bit0
IDLE	0	0
RECEIVE	0	1
SEND	1	0

Binary



Integer and Floating-Point Type



- Integer Type (Synthesizable)

```

type integer is range -2147483647 to 2147483647; -- VHDL Predefined
-- 32-bit signed integer

type my_integer is range 0 to 15; -- 4-bits
signal count : my_integer;
signal count : integer range 0 to 15; -- count(0) : LSB, count(3) : MSB

```

- Floating-Point Type (NOT Synthesizable)

```

type real is range -1.0E38 to 1.0E38; -- VHDL Predefined
type my_real is range 0.0 to 1.0; -- VHDL Predefined

```



Physical types



■ Represent relations between quantities

- ◆ NOT Synthesizable

■ Example : “time”

```
type time is range -2147483647 to 2147483647
units
  fs;
  ps = 1000 fs;
  ns = 1000 ps;
  us = 1000 ns;
  ms = 1000 us;
  sec = 1000 ms;
  min = 60 sec;
  hr = 60 min;
end units;
```



Array Types



■ Synthesizable

■ Array Example (Unconstraint)

```
type std_ulogic_vector is array ( NATURAL RANGE <> ) OF std_ulogic;
type UNSIGNED is array (NATURAL range <> ) of BIT;
type SIGNED is array (NATURAL range <> ) of BIT;
type matrix is array (natural range <>, natural range <>) of bit;
```

■ Array Example (Constraint)

```
type byte is array (7 downto 0) of bit;
```



Record Type



■ Example

```
type month_name is (jan,feb,mar,apr,may,jun,jul,aug,sep,oct,nov,dev);
type date is
record
  day : integer range 1 to 31;
  month : month_name;
  year : integer range 0 to 4000;
end record;
```

```
constant my_birthday : date := (21, nov, 1963);
```

```
SIGNAL my_birthday : date;

my_birthday.year <= 1963;
my_birthday.month <= nov;
my_birthday.day <= 21; -- 5-bit
                        -- my_birthday(0) : LSB
                        -- my_birthday(4) : MSB
```



Subtypes and Type Conversion



■ Type checking is strict !

■ Type with constraint

```
subtype <subtype_name> is <base_type> [<constraint>];
```

■ Type Conversions

```
<type>(<expressions>)
```



VHDL type checking is strict !



```
type big_integer is range 0 to 1000;  
type small_integer is range 0 to 7;  
  
signal intermediate : small_integer;  
signal final : big_integer;  
  
final <= intermediate * 5; -- type mismatch error
```



or



```
type big_integer is range 0 to 1000;  
subtype small_integer is big_integer range 0 to 7;  
  
signal intermediate : small_integer;  
signal final : big_integer;  
  
final <= intermediate * 5; -- Same Base type
```

```
type big_integer is range 0 to 1000;  
type small_integer is big_integer range 0 to 7;  
  
signal intermediate : small_integer;  
signal final : big_integer;  
  
final <= big_integer(intermediate * 5); -- Type Conversion
```



IEEE 1076 Predefined Types



```
type bit is ('0', '1');  
type bit_vector is array (integer range <>) of bit;  
type integer is range MININT to MAXINT;  
subtype positive is integer range 1 to MAXINT;  
subtype natural is integer range 0 to MAXINT;  
type boolean is (TRUE, FALSE);
```



IEEE 1164 Predefined Types



- `std_logic`, `std_logic_vector` (resolved)
- `std_ulogic`, `std_ulogic_vector` (unresolved)
- Nine valued enumerated type
- Used as replacements for `bit`, `bit_vector`
- Used as the standard data types for system interfaces



IEEE 1164 Predefined Types



```
TYPE std_ulogic IS ('U', -- Uninitialized
                  'X', -- Forcing Unknown
                  '0', -- Forcing 0
                  '1', -- Forcing 1
                  'Z', -- High Impedance
                  'W', -- Weak Unknown
                  'L', -- Weak 0
                  'H', -- Weak 1
                  '-' -- Don't care
                  );
type std_ulogic_vector is array (natural range <>) of std_ulogic;
subtype std_logic is resolution_func std_ulogic;
type std_logic_vector is (natural range <>) of std_logic;
subtype X01Z is resolution_func std_ulogic range 'X' to 'Z';
```



Type Conversion Example



```
package my_type is
  type big_integer is range 0 to 1023;
  subtype small_integer is big_integer range 0 to 7;
end package;
```

```
library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.numeric_std.all;
use work.my_type.all;
```

```
entity subtype_test is
  port ( a : in small_integer;
         b : in small_integer;
         c : out std_logic_vector(9 downto 0) );
```

```
end subtype_test;
architecture behave of subtype_test is
  signal t_int : big_integer;
```

```
begin
  t_int <= a + b; -- for subtype, type casting not needed !
```

```
  c <= std_logic_vector(to_unsigned(natural(t_int), 10)); -- type casting type conversion
```

```
end;
```



Type Conversion/Type Casting



```
library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.numeric_std.all;
```

```
type big_integer is range 0 to 1023; -- 10-bits
```

```
signal t_int : big_integer;
```

```
signal c : out std_logic_vector(9 downto 0);
```

```
c <= std_logic_vector( to_unsigned( natural( t_int ) , 10 ) );
```

Type casting
"unsigned" to "std_logic_vector"

Type conversion
"natural" to "unsigned"

Type casting
"integer" to "natural"

big_integer

VHDL Objects



SIGNAL
CONSTANT
VARIABLE
PORT
Loop Variable
Generic



SIGNAL



- Wire in a Logic Circuit
- CANNOT be declared in Sequential Blocks; “Function”, “Procedure” and “Process”
- Range restriction
- Initial value (but ignored by synthesis)
- Signal has Attribute; 'EVENT
- Assignment (\leftarrow) is scheduled after delta delay



VARIABLE



- CANNOT be declared in the dataflow(concurrent block) or Package
- Declared in Process, Function, and Procedure
- Initial value (but ignored by synthesis)
- Assignment (:=) is immediate



CONSTANT



- CANNOT be assigned after declaration
- Initialization is required

```
constant ZEE_8 : std_logic_vector (0 to 7) := "ZZZZZZZZ";
```



PORT



- **Interface terminal of Entity**
- **Normal signal with Direction Mode restriction:**
 - ◆ **IN, OUT : unidirectional**
`s_out <= s_in1 + s_in0;`
 - ◆ **INOUT : bidirectional**
`s_inout <= s_in1 + s_in0;`
`s_out <= s_inout + s_in1;`
 - ◆ **BUFFER : bidirectional**
`buff <= buff + s_in;`
- **CAN have initial value**



GENERIC



- **Property of Entity**
- **Definition size of interface and Delay,etc.**

```
entity counter is
  generic ( size : integer := 8;
            delay : time := 10 ns; );
  port ( clk, reset : IN std_logic;
         count : OUT std_logic_vector( size-1 downto 0) );
end counter;
```

```
inst_1 : counter
  generic map (size => 16, delay => 5 ns)
  port map (clk=>clk, reset=>reset, count=>count);
```



Loop Variable



- NOT declared
- Get its type and value from specified range in the iteration scheme

```
for i in 0 to ( b'LENGTH-1) loop  
  a(i) <= b(i) and ena;  
end loop;
```

VHDL Statements



Conditional Statements
Selection Statements
Loop and Generate Statements
Assignment Statements



Conditional Statements



■ Dataflow

```
output_signal <=
  x when a=1 else
  y when a=2 else
  z when a=3 else
  (others=>"0");
```

■ Behavior

```
if a=1 then
  output_signal <= x;
elsif a=2 then
  output_signal <= y;
elsif a=s then
  output_signal <= z;
else
  output_signal <=
  (others=>"0");
```



Selection Statements



■ Dataflow

```
with sel select
  output_signal <=
    x when "0010",
    y when "0100",
    z when "1000",
    (others=>"0")
  when others;
```

■ Behavior

```
case sel is
  when "0010" =>
    output_signal <= x;
  when "0100" =>
    output_signal <= y;
  when "1000" =>
    output_signal <= z;
  when others =>
    output_signal <=
      (others=>"0");
end case;
```



for / while loop statements



- Iterative/Repeative operation
- Loop statement can be only used in sequential block (behavior)

```
-- for loop : Synthesizable
signal result, input_sig : bit_vector( 0 to 5);
signal ena;
.....
for i in 0 to 5 loop
    result(i) <= input_sig(i) and ena;
end loop;
```

```
-- while loop : partially synthesizable
variable i : integer;
.....
i := 0;
while ( i<6 ) loop
    result(i) <= input_sig(i) and ena;
    i := i + 1;
end loop;
```



for / while loop statements



- Sequential environment allow EXIT/NEXT statement in the Loop
- while loop is NOT synthesizable, if loop condition is evaluate at run-time

How many Loop ?

Synthesizer

How many bits of Hardware?

```
i := -1;
while (TRUE) loop
    i := i + 1;
    exit if ( i > 5 );
    if ( input_sig(i) = '0' ) then
        result(i) <= '0';
        next;
    end if;
    result(i) <= ena;
end loop;
```

*Synthesizable
But NOT RECOMENDED style*



for - generate loop



- Generate block execute concurrently
- NOT allow NEXT/EXIT statement
- Synthesizable

```
-- for-generate : Synthesizable
signal result, input_sig : bit_vector( 0 to 5);
signal ena;
.....
for i in 0 to 5 generate
    result(i) <= input_sig(i) and ena;
end generate;
```

Lab. Exercise



PREP #1 “for loop” example

VHDL Assignment



SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE



VHDL에서 값의 할당 (assignment)



■ SIGNAL

- ◆ 병렬구문 (concurrent statement)

■ VARIABLE

- ◆ 순차구문 (sequential statement) : PROCESS

■ CONSTANT

- ◆ C언어의 #define, Assembly언어에서의 EQU
- ◆ 컴파일시 값이 결정 된다



SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE의 차이



■ VARIABLE :

- ◆ “:=”
- ◆ 순차적인 즉시 할당(**instaneous assignment**)
- ◆ **PROCESS BLOCK**에서 **sequential statement**
- ◆ **Example:**
 - $AV := X*Y;$
 - $BV := AV+Z;$



SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE의 차이



■ SIGNAL :

- ◆ “<=”
- ◆ 지연 할당(**delayed assignment**)
- ◆ **Concurrent statement**
- ◆ **Attributes**
- ◆ **Example:**
 - $AS \leq X*Y \text{ after } 2 \text{ ns};$
 - $BS \leq AS + Z \text{ after } 2 \text{ ns};$



Assignment Execution



AS <= X * Y after 2 ns;
BS <= AS + Z after 2 ns;

	Initial	T1	T1+2	T1+4	T1+6
X	1	4	5	5	3
Y	2	2	2	3	2
AS	2	2	8	10	15
Z	0	3	2	2	2
BS	2	2	5	10	12

Delayed Concurrent Assignment

AV := X * Y;
BV := AV + Z;

	Initial	T1	T1+2	T1+4	T1+6
X	1	4	5	5	3
Y	2	2	2	3	2
AV	2	8	10	15	6
Z	0	3	2	2	2
BV	2	11	12	17	8

Instantaneous Sequential Assignment



SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성



```

ENTITY sigvar1 IS
PORT(
  clk : IN std_logic;
  din : IN std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
  dout : OUT std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0) );
END sigvar1;

```



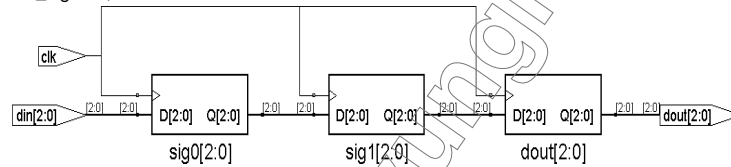
SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (1)



```

ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar1 OF sigvar1 IS
  SIGNAL sig0, sig1 : std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
BEGIN
  PROCESS (clk)
  BEGIN
    IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
      sig0 <= din;
      sig1 <= sig0;
      dout <= sig1;
    END IF;
  END PROCESS;
END a_sigvar1;

```



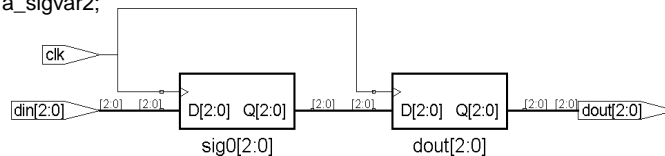
SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (2)



```

ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar2 OF sigvar2 IS
  SIGNAL sig0, sig1 : std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
BEGIN
  PROCESS (clk)
  BEGIN
    IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
      sig0 <= din; -- This statement infer F/F
      sig1 <= sig0; -- This statement infer another F/F
    END IF;
  END PROCESS;
  dout <= sig1; -- "sig1" DOES NOTHING. Just Connected to "dout"
END a_sigvar2;

```





SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (2-1)



```
ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar2_1 OF sigvar2_1 IS
SIGNAL sig0, sig1 : std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
BEGIN
PROCESS (clk)
BEGIN
IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
  sig0 <= din; -- This Statement infers F/F
END IF;
END PROCESS;

sig1 <= sig0; -- This is Concurrent assignment
dout <= sig1; -- "sig0" and "sig1" is does NOTHING! Just Connected

END a_sigvar2_1;
```



SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (Err)



```
ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar2err OF sigvar2err IS
BEGIN
PROCESS (clk)
VARIABLE sig0, sig1 : std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
BEGIN
IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
  sig0 <= din;
  sig1 <= sig0; -- This statement causes ERROR "sig1 must be SIGNAL"
  dout <= sig1; -- Variable assignment, "!=" expected...
END IF;
END PROCESS;
END sigvar2err;
```



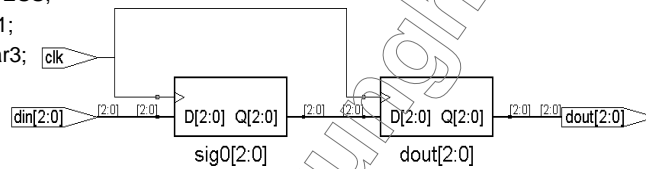
SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (3)



```

ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar3 OF sigvar3 IS
  SIGNAL sig0, sig1 : std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
BEGIN
  PROCESS (clk)
  BEGIN
    IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
      sig1 <= sig0; -- Concurrent assignment in the Process Block does
      sig0 <= din; -- not cares it's sequence. Compare Example #2
    END IF;
  END PROCESS;
  dout <= sig1;
END a_sigvar3;

```



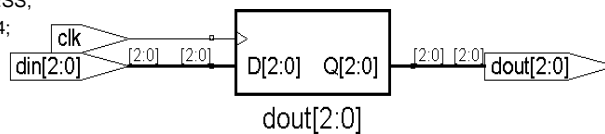
SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (4)



```

ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar4 OF sigvar4 IS
BEGIN
  PROCESS (clk)
  VARIABLE var0, var1 : std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
  BEGIN
    IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
      var0 := din; -- These two sequential assignment DOES NOTHING!
      var1 := var0; -- Compare with Concurrent assignment; Example #2 and #3
      dout <= var1; -- Just this statement infers F/F between "din" and "dout"
    END IF;
  END PROCESS;
END a_sigvar4;

```





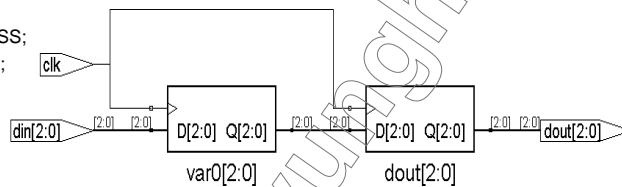
SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (5)



```

ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar5 OF sigvar5 IS
BEGIN
PROCESS (clk)
VARIABLE var0, var1 : std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
BEGIN
IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
var1 := var0; -- These Two sequential statement infer TWO stage F/F
var0 := din; -- The order of Sequential statements are very important!
-- Compare with Example #4
dout <= var1; -- F/F inferred between "var0" and "dout"
-- Another F/F is inferred between "din" and "var0"
END IF;
END PROCESS;
END a_sigvar5;

```



SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (6)



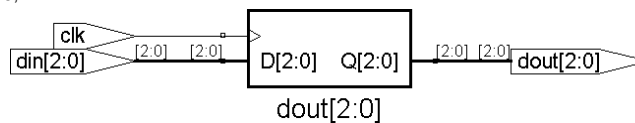
```

ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar5 OF sigvar5 IS
BEGIN
PROCESS (clk)
VARIABLE var0, var1 : std_logic_vector(2 DOWNTO 0);
BEGIN
IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
var0 := din; -- Synthesized as ONE stage F/F
var1 := var0; -- between "din" and "var1"
END IF;
dout <= var1; -- But "var1" does nothing!, connected to "dout"
-- F/F inferred between "din" and "dout"
END PROCESS;
END a_sigvar5;

```

VARIABLEs are "local"

Pass local VARIABLE to global SIGNAL





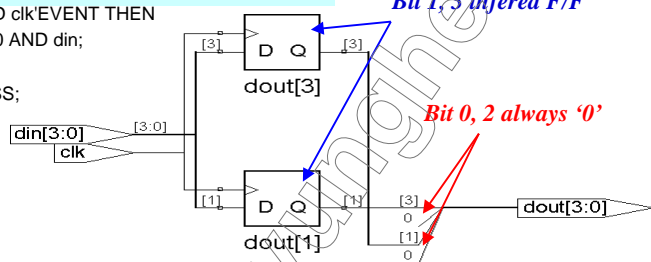
SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (7)



```
ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar7 OF sigvar7 IS
BEGIN
```

```
PROCESS (clk)
  VARIABLE var0 : std_logic_vector(3 DOWNTO 0);
  BEGIN
    var0 := "0000"; -- These Three sequential statement
    var0(3) := '1'; -- builds Bit map "1010"
    var0(1) := '1';
    IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
      dout <= var0 AND din;
    END IF;
  END PROCESS;
END a_sigvar7;
```

Sequential assignment
has NO multiple drive



Bit 1, 3 inferred F/F

Bit 0, 2 always '0'



SIGNAL 과 VARIABLE 합성 (8)



```
ARCHITECTURE a_sigvar7 OF sigvar7 IS
  SIGNAL sig0 : std_logic_vector(3 DOWNTO 0);
  BEGIN
```

```
PROCESS (clk)
  BEGIN
    sig0 <= "0000"; -- The concurrent statement in the PROCESS block
    sig0(3) <= '1'; -- works sequentially...
    sig0(1) <= '1'; -- Compare with Example #7
    IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
      dout <= sig0 AND din;
    END IF;
  END PROCESS;
```

Sequential Block
NO multiple
drive problem

Concurrent NOT
allow multiple drive!

```
-- Following concurrent Statements cause MULTIPLE Drive ERROR!
-- This region is CONCURRENT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
-- sig0 <= "0000";
-- sig0(3) <= '1';
-- sig0(1) <= '1';
END a_sigvar7;
```

Lab. Exercise



Signal and Variable



Tools



■ VHDL Simulator

◆ ModelTech's V-System VHDL

<http://www.model.com>

◆ Aldec's Active VHDL

<http://www.aldec.com>

■ Read Tool's Tutorials



Ex.1 sigvar1



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar1.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check Three-Stage Latch ?



Create Testbench (Active VHDL)



- **Use Testbench Generation Tool**
- **Insert user's stimulus (Clock Signal)**

```
signal CLK : STD_LOGIC := '0';  
signal DIN : .....
```

Give Initial Value of "clk"

→ User can put stimulus here

```
clktoggle : process (clk)  
begin  
  clk <= not clk after 50 ns;  
end process;  
  
stimuli : process (clk)  
begin  
  if (clk'event and clk='0') then  
    din <= "111";  
  end if;  
end process;
```




Create Macro File (.do)

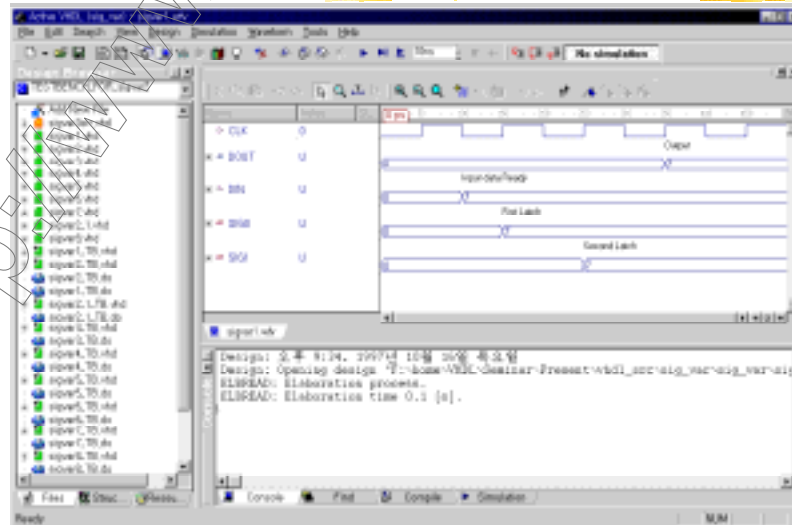


- Use Testbench Generation Tool
- Insert Simulation Command

```
vcom "sigvar1.vhd"  
vcom "sigvar1_TB.vhd"  
vsim TESTBENCH_FOR_sigvar1  
# The following lines can be used for timing simulation  
# vcom <backannotated_vhdl_file_name>  
# vcom "sigvar1_TB_tim_cfg.vhd"  
# vsim TIMING_FOR_sigvar1  
view wave  
wave \uut\clk  
wave \uut\din  
wave \uut\dout  
wave \uut\sig0  
wave \uut\sig1  
run 500 ns
```



Simulation





Ex.2 sigvar2



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar2.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check Two-Stage Latch ?
 - ◆ “sig1” and “dout” are same



Ex.3 sigvar2-1



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar2-1.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check One-Stage Latch ?
 - ◆ “sig0”, “sig1” and “dout” are same



Ex.4 sigvar3



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar3.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check Two-Stage Latch ?
 - ◆ “sig1” and “dout” are same



Ex.5 sigvar4



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar4.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check One-Stage Latch ?
 - ◆ All cascade variable are reduced



Ex.6 sigvar5



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar5.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check Two-Stage Latch ?
 - ◆ Order of assignment statements is important in the behavior (sequential) environment



Ex.7 sigvar6



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar6.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check One-Stage Latch ?
 - ◆ Pass “local” variable to output port or SIGNAL



Ex.8 sigvar7



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar7.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check One-Stage Latch ?
 - ◆ Compare Input value and Latched output (masked by variable)



Ex.9 sigvar8



- **Compile**
 - ◆ \vhdl_src\sigvar8.vhd
- **Create Testbench**
- **Simulate and check result (waveform)**
 - ◆ Check One-Stage Latch ?
 - ◆ Compare Input value and Latched output (masked by signal in the process-sequential behavior)



Ex.10 sigvar8err



■ Compile

◆ \vhd_src\sigvar8err.vhd

■ Create Testbench

■ Simulate and check result (waveform)

◆ By using resolved type “std_logic”, multiple drive does not cause error when compiling.

◆ Compare Input value and Latched output ('0' and '1' resolved as ERROR 'X')

VHDL Operator



**IEEE 1076 Predefined
IEEE 1164 Predefined
Synthesizable Arithmetics
Operator Overloading**



VHDL Operators (IEEE 1076)



- **Binary operators:**
 - ◆ AND, OR, NAND, NOR, XOR, NOT
 - ◆ predefined for BIT and BOOLEAN
- **Relational operators:**
 - ◆ =, /=, <, >, <=, >=
 - ◆ predefined for all types
- **Arithmetic operators:**
 - ◆ +, -, *, /, **, abs, mod, rem
 - ◆ predefined for integer types
- **Concatenation operators:**
 - ◆ &



Synthesizable Arithmetic Operators



- **IEEE 1076.3 Arithmetic Package**
 - ◆ **std_logic_1164 Package**
 - New Logic types : std_logic, std_ulogic
 - Logical Operators
 - ◆ **numeric_bit**
 - +, -, *,abs between SIGNED, UNSIGNED of bit and bit_vector
 - ◆ **numeric_std**
 - +, -, *,abs between SIGNED, UNSIGNED of std_logic and std_logic_vector
- **Synopsys Arithmetic Package**
 - ◆ std_logic_arith
 - ◆ std_logic_signed
 - ◆ std_logic_unsigned



AND Operator (IEEE 1164)

```

-- truth table for 'and' function
CONSTANT and_table : std_logic_table := (
-----
-- | U X 0 1 Z W L H - | |
-----
( 'U', 'U', '0', 'U', 'U', 'U', '0', 'U', 'U' ), -- | U |
( 'U', 'X', '0', 'X', 'X', 'X', '0', 'X', 'X' ), -- | X |
( '0', '0', '0', '0', '0', '0', '0', '0', '0' ),
( 'U', 'X', '0', '1', 'X', 'X', '0', '1', 'X' ), -- and
( 'U', 'X', '0', 'X', 'X', 'X', '0', 'X', 'X' ),
( 'U', 'X', '0', 'X', 'X', 'X', '0', 'X', 'X' ),
( '0', '0', '0', '0', '0', '0', '0', '0', '0' ),
( 'U', 'X', '0', '1', 'X', 'X', '0', '1', 'X' ),
( 'U', 'X', '0', 'X', 'X', 'X', '0', 'X', 'X' )
);

FUNCTION "and" ( l, r : std_logic_vector ) RETURN std_logic_vector IS
    ALIAS lv : std_logic_vector ( 1 TO l'LENGTH ) IS l;
    ALIAS rv : std_logic_vector ( 1 TO r'LENGTH ) IS r;
    VARIABLE result : std_logic_vector ( 1 TO l'LENGTH );
BEGIN
    IF ( l'LENGTH /= r'LENGTH ) THEN
        ASSERT FALSE
            REPORT "arguments of overloaded 'and' operator are not of the same length"
            SEVERITY FAILURE;
    ELSE
        FOR i IN result'RANGE LOOP
            result(i) := and_table (lv(i), rv(i));
        END LOOP;
    END IF;
    RETURN result;
END "and";

```



Synthesizable Arithmetic Operators



IEEE 1076.3

- ◆ Accepted types : “SIGNED”, “UNSIGNED”, NATURAL, INTEGER
- ◆ Use Type Conversion for STD_LOGIC
- ◆ Types defined (NUMERIC_STD)
 - type UNSIGNED is array (NATURAL range <>) of STD_LOGIC;
 - type SIGNED is array (NATURAL range <>) of STD_LOGIC;
- ◆ Types defined (NUMERIC_BIT)
 - type UNSIGNED is array (NATURAL range <>) of BIT;
 - type SIGNED is array (NATURAL range <>) of BIT;
- ◆ Validation Suit



Synthesizable Arithmetic Operators



■ Arithmetic Operators

- ◆ Built-in Subprogram
- ◆ In-Fix
 - +, -, /, *, /=, <, >, <=, >=, rem, mod
 - Synthesizer NOT support “/,”rem”,”mod”
- ◆ Unary
 - abs, -

■ Edge Detection (NUMERIC_BIT)

- ◆ RISING_EDGE
- ◆ FALLING_EDGE



Synthesizable Arithmetic Operators



■ SHIFT/ROTATE

- ◆ SHIFT_RIGHT, SHIFT_LEFT
- ◆ ROTATE_RIGHT, ROTATE_LEFT

■ Type Conversion

- ◆ RESIZE
- ◆ TO_INTEGER, TO_UNSIGNED, TO_SIGNED

■ Logical Operations

- ◆ NOT, OR, NOR, AND, NAND, XNOR



Synthesis Example (Synopsys Library)



```
library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.std_logic_arith.all;      -- Synopsys Arithmetic Package
use ieee.std_logic_unsigned.all;  -- Synopsys Arithmetic Package

architecture behave of prep5 is
    signal q_i, adder_output, multiply_output: std_logic_vector(7 downto 0);
begin
    multiply_output <= a * b;      -- STD_LOGIC_VECTOR Type Multiply/Addition
    adder_output <= (multiply_output + q_i) when mac = '1' else
        multiply_output;
    .....
```



Synthesis Example (IEEE 1076.3)



```
library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.numeric_std.all;        -- IEEE 1076.3 Synthesis Library

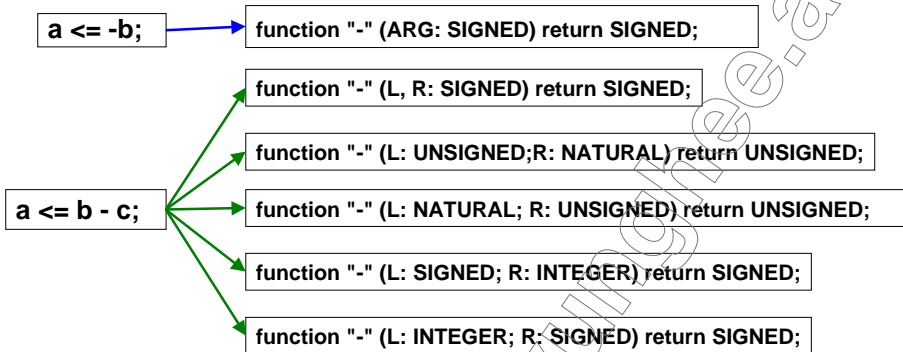
architecture behave of prep5 is
    signal q_i, adder_output, multiply_output: unsigned(7 downto 0);
                                                -- Unsigned SIGNAL
begin
    multiply_output <= signed(a) * signed(b); -- Convert to STD_LOGIC
                                                -- to UNSIGNED
    adder_output <= (multiply_output + q_i) when mac = '1' else
        multiply_output;
    q <= std_logic_vector(adder_output); -- Interface to STD_LOGIC
end behave;
```



Operator Overloading



- VHDL is Object-Oriented
- Type check strictly, but Overloading



Lab. Exercise



PREP #5 Arithmetic Circuits

VHDL Attributes



Predefined Attributes
Vendor-Defined Attributes
Tool-Defined Attributes



Attributes



■ Predefined attributes

- ◆ Return information about data types, signals, blocks, architectures, events, etc.
- ◆ Examples: 'LENGTH, 'LEFT, 'EVENT

■ Vendor defined attributes

- ◆ Often used in synthesis
- ◆ Example: enum_encoding, pinnum

■ User defined attributes

- ◆ Not often used



VHDL Predefined Attributes



- Defined for SIGNAL
- Edge of SIGNAL
 - ◆ EVENT
- Value Returning
 - ◆ LEFT
 - ◆ RIGHT
 - ◆ HIGH
 - ◆ LOW
 - ◆ LENGTH
 - ◆ RANGE
 - ◆ REVERSE_RANGE



Predefined Attribute Example



```
signal vector_up : bit_vector( 4 to 9);
signal vector_dn : bit_vector( 25 to 0);

vector_up'LEFT -- returns integer 4
vector_dn'LEFT -- returns integer 25
vector_up'RIGHT -- returns integer 9
vector_dn'RIGHT -- returns integer 0
vector_up'HIGH -- returns integer 9
vector_dn'HIGH -- returns integer 25
vector_up'LOW -- returns integer 4
vector_dn'LOW -- returns integer 0
vector_up'LENGTH -- returns integer 6
vector_dn'LENGTH -- returns integer 26
vector_up'RANGE -- returns integer range 4 to 9
vector_dn'RANGE -- returns integer range 25 to 0
vector_up'REVERSE_RANGE -- returns integer range 9 to 4
vector_dn'REVERSE_RANGE -- returns integer range 0 to 25
```



Vendor-Defined Attributes



■ Metamor Synthesizer

◆ Pin Number Attribute

ENTITY test IS

PORT (clk, start : IN bit;
count0, count1 : out bit);

attribute pinnum : string; *-- define pinnum attribute*

attribute pinnum of clk : signal is "13";

attribute pinnum of start : signal is "8";

attribute pinnum of seg40 : signal is "19";

attribute pinnum of seg41 : signal is "20";

END test;



User Defined Attributes



■ Why?

■ Example

signal my_vector : bit_vector (0 to 4);

attribute MIDDLE : integer;

attribute MIDDLE of my_vector : signal is my_vector'LENGTH/2;

.....

my_vector'MIDDLE *-- returns integer 2*



Usage of Attributes (Example)



```
Entity masked_parity is
  generic ( size: integer :=5);
  port ( source : in bit_vector(0 to size);
        mask : in bit_vector(source'RANGE); -- RANGE (0 to size)
        result : out bit );
end masked_parity;
```

architecture behave of masked_parity is

```
begin
  process (source, mask)
    variable tmp : bit;
    variable masked_source : bit_vector (source'RANGE); -- RANGE (0 to size)
  begin
    masked_source := source and mask;
    tmp := masked_source(source'LEFT); -- LEFT
    for I in source'LEFT+1 to source'RIGHT loop -- RIGHT
      tmp := tmp xor masked_source(I);
    end loop;
    result <= tmp;
  end process;
end behave;
```



Usage of Attribute (Example)



```
function TO_INTEGER (ARG: UNSIGNED) return NATURAL is
  constant ARG_LEFT: INTEGER := ARG'LENGTH-1; -- LENGTH
  alias XARG: UNSIGNED(ARG_LEFT downto 0) is ARG;
  variable RESULT: NATURAL := 0;
begin
  if (ARG'LENGTH < 1) then
    assert NO_WARNING
    report "NUMERIC_BIT.TO_INTEGER: null detected, returning 0"
    severity WARNING;
    return 0;
  end if;
  for I in XARG'RANGE loop -- RANGE
    RESULT := RESULT+RESULT;
    if XARG(I) = '1' then
      RESULT := RESULT + 1;
    end if;
  end loop;
  return RESULT;
end TO_INTEGER;
```

VHDL Design Partition



Processes
Blocks
Functions
Procedures



Processes and Blocks



■ Process

- ◆ Sequential Env.
- ◆ Local VARIABLE
- ◆ NOT Nested Process
- ◆ Sensitivity list or WAIT statement
- ◆ communicate with SIGNAL

■ Block

- ◆ Concurrent Env.
- ◆ Local SIGNAL
- ◆ Nested Blocks
- ◆ GUARDED expression



Concurrent vs. Sequential



Concurrent

Sequential

```
architecture sample of my_proj is
  signal Qreg: bit_vector(15 downto 0);
begin
  P1: process(Rst,Clk1)
  begin
    ...
  end process;

  P2: process(Rst,Clk2)
  begin
    ...
  end process;

  Q <= Qreg;
  DataAddr <= BaseAddr & Q(7 downto 0);

end sample;
```



Concurrent vs. Sequential



BEGIN

Statement

Statement

Statement

END

BEGIN

Statement

Statement

Statement

END



Process Example



Entity experiment is
 port (source : in bit_vector(0 to 3);
 ce : in bit;
 wrclk : in bit;
 selector : in bit_vector(0 to 1);
 result : out bit);
 end experiment;

architecture behave od experiment is
 signal intreg : bit_vector(0 to 3);
 begin -- dataflow(concurrent) environment

```

writer : process -- process statement
-- variable declarative region (empty here)
begin
-- sequential (clocked) statement
wait until wrclk'event and wrclk='1';
if (ce='1') then
  intreg <= source;
end if;
end process;

```

```

reader : process (intreg, selector) -- process
-- with sensitivity list
-- variable declarative region (empty here)
begin
-- sequential (not-clocked) statements
case selector is
when "00" =>
  result <= intreg(0);
when "01" =>
  result <= intreg(1);
when "10" =>
  result <= intreg(2);
when "11" =>
  result <= intreg(3);
end case;
end process;
end behave;

```



Block Example



Architecture dataflow of example is
 signal global_sig, g1, g2, c, bit;
 begin

```

B1 : block -- Block declarative region
  signal local_sig : bit; -- Local SIGNAL
begin -- Block concurrent statements
  local_sig <= global_sig; -- Communicate with global signal directly

```

```

-- Block in a Block
B2 : block (c='1') -- Block has "GUARD" expression
  port ( o1, o2 : out bit) -- Block port declarations
  port map (o1=>g1, o2=>g2); -- Block port mapping to global signal
begin
  o1 <= guarded local_sig; -- Latch inference
  o2 <= global_sig
end block;

```

```

end block;
end dataflow;

```



Subprograms : Functions & Procedures



- Execute Sequentially
- Local variable
- Can be called from the dataflow (concurrent) or any sequential environment
- Can be overloaded (Synthesizer resolve this)
- Functions
 - ◆ all input argument, return single value
- Procedure
 - ◆ in, out, inout argument
 - ◆ Side effect



Subprogram Example



```
■ Procedure
procedure increment ( vect : inout bit_vector; ena : in bit := '1' ) is -- in, inout argument
begin
  if (ena='1') then
    vect := vector_adder (x=>vect, "000001" ); -- Cause side effect
  end if ;
end increment ;
```

```
■ Functions
function vector_adder (x : bit_vector; y : bit_vector) -- input argument
return bit_vector is -- return type
  variable carry : bit := '0';
  variable result : bit_vector(x'RANGE) ;
begin
  for i in x'RANGE loop
    result (i) := x(i) XOR y(i) XOR carry ;
    carry := carry AND (x(i) OR y(i)) OR x(i) AND y(i) ;
  end loop ;
  return result ; -- one return value
end vector_adder ;
```

Resolution Functions



Multiple Drive Resolution Function and Type Resolve Multiple Drive Error



Multiple Drive



- On Concurrent Assignment, multiple source to one signal must be resolved
- Multiple Drive Problem is common when modeling the buses with three-state drivers
- `std_logic_1164` provides resolved type and resolution function “resolved”.

```
subtype std_logic is resolved std_ulogic;
```



Resolution Function (IEEE 1164)

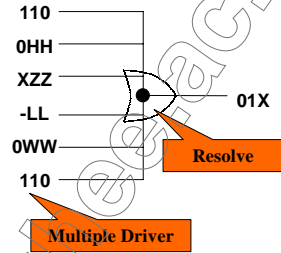


```

-- resolution function
CONSTANT resolution_table : std_logic_table := (
-- | U X 0 1 Z W L H - | |
( 'U', 'U', 'U', 'U', 'U', 'U', 'U', 'U', 'U' ), -- U |
( 'U', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X' ), -- X |
( 'U', 'X', '0', 'X', '0', '0', '0', '0', 'X' ), -- 0 |
( 'U', 'X', 'X', '1', '1', '1', '1', 'X', 'X' ), -- 1 |
( 'U', 'X', '0', '1', 'Z', 'W', 'L', 'H', 'X' ), -- Z |
( 'U', 'X', '0', '1', 'W', 'W', 'W', 'W', 'X' ), -- W |
( 'U', 'X', '0', '1', 'L', 'W', 'L', 'W', 'X' ), -- L |
( 'U', 'X', '0', '1', 'H', 'W', 'W', 'H', 'X' ), -- H |
( 'U', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X', 'X' ), -- - |
);

FUNCTION resolved ( s : std_ulogic_vector ) RETURN std_ulogic IS
VARIABLE result : std_ulogic := 'Z';
BEGIN
IF (s'LENGTH = 1) THEN RETURN s('LOW');
ELSE
FOR i IN s'RANGE LOOP
result := resolution_table(result, s(i));
END LOOP;
END IF;
RETURN result;
END resolved;

```



Resolve Multiple Drive Error



```

entity test_resolver is
port ( a, b : bit ;
o : out bit );
end test_resolver;
architecture dataflow of test_resolver is
signal tmp : bit;
begin
tmp <= a;
tmp <= b;
o <= tmp;
end dataflow;

```

write resolution function

```

entity test_resolver is
port ( a, b : bit ;
o : out bit );
end test_resolver;

architecture dataflow of test_resolver is

-- Write the resolution function that ANDs the elements:
function my_and_resolved ( a : bit_vector ) return bit is
variable result : bit := '1';
begin
for i in a'range loop
result := result AND a(i);
end loop;
return result;
end my_and_resolved;

-- Declare the signal and attach the resolution function to it:
signal tmp : my_and_resolved bit;
begin
tmp <= a;
tmp <= b;
o <= tmp;
end dataflow;

```

```

library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
entity test_resolver is
port ( a, b : std_logic ;
o : out std_logic );
end test_resolver;
architecture dataflow of test_resolver is
signal tmp : std_logic;
begin
tmp <= a;
tmp <= b;
o <= tmp;
end dataflow;

```

BUS and REGISTER



BUS and REGISTER



■ VHDL Entity Class

◆ BUS

- make GUARDED signal (three-state)

◆ REGISTER

- make Latch inference



BUS Example



```
-- include the IEEE 1164 package to use type std_logic.
library ieee ;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all ;

entity test_bus is
  port ( c,d : std_logic ;
        o : out std_logic BUS) ; -- An entity with a BUS entity-class signal
end test_bus ;

architecture behave of test_bus is
begin
  process (c,d)
  begin
    if (c = '1') then
      o <= d ;
    else
      o <= NULL ; -- Switch-Off (Three-State)
    end if ;
  end process ;
end behave ;
```



REGISTER Example



```
-- include the IEEE 1164 package to use type std_logic.
library ieee ;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all ;

entity test_reg is
  port ( c,d : std_logic ;
        o : out std_logic) ;
end test_reg ;

architecture behave of test_reg is
  signal s_o : std_logic REGISTER ; -- REGISTER entity-class signal
begin
  process (c,d)
  begin
    if (c = '1') then
      s_o <= d ;
    else
      s_o <= NULL ; -- DO NOTHING, Latch inference
    end if ;
  end process ;
  o <= s_o ;
end behave ;
```

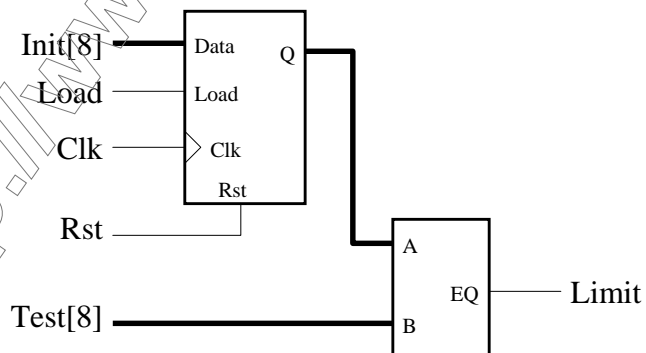
Sample Circuit



Shifter-Comparator

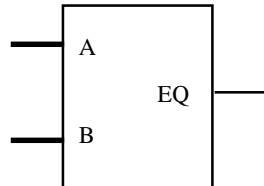


Sample Circuit





Comparator (Dataflow)



-- Eight-bit comparator

--
entity compare is
port (A, B: in bit_vector(0 to 7);
EQ: out bit);
end compare;

architecture compare1 of compare is
begin

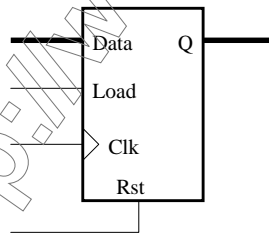
-- **Concurrent Statements**

EQ <= '1' when (A = B) else '0';

end compare1;



8-bit shifter



-- Eight-bit barrel shifter

--
entity rotate is
port(Clk, Rst, Load: in bit;
Data: bit_vector(0 to 7);
Q: out bit_vector(0 to 7));
end rotate;



8-bit Shifter (Behavior)



Registers are implied for all assignments dependent on the clock.

```

architecture rotate1 of rotate is
  signal Qreg: bit_vector(0 to 7);
begin
  -- Process Block : Sequential Statements
  reg: process(Rst, Clk)
  begin
    if Rst = '1' then -- Async reset
      Qreg <= '00000000';
    elsif (Clk = '1' and Clk'event) then
      -- Register Implied
      if (Load = '1') then -- Load
        Qreg <= Data;
      else -- Shift
        Qreg <= Qreg(1 to 7) & Qreg(0);
      end if;
    end if;
  end process;
  Q <= Qreg;
end rotate1;

```



8-bit Shifter (Dataflow)



Describing a circuit using dataflow may result in a simpler design description.

```

architecture rotate2 of rotate is
  signal D, Qreg: bit_vector(0 to 7);
begin
  -- Shift Logic
  D <= Data when (Load = '1') else
    Qreg(1 to 7) & Qreg(0);

  dff(Rst, Clk, D, Qreg); -- D-F/F Procedure

  Q <= Qreg;

end rotate2;

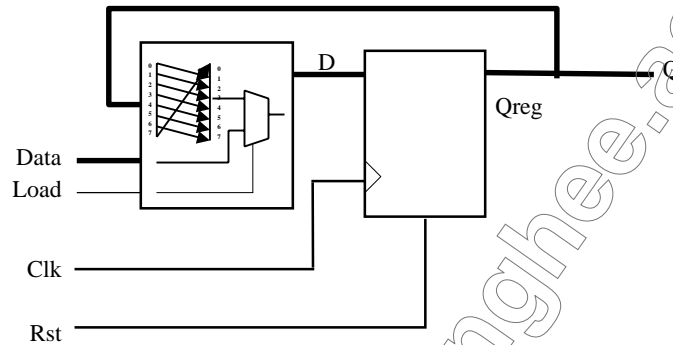
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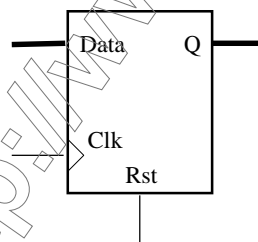
8-bit Shifter (Dataflow)



Inputs Shift Logic Registers Outputs



D Flip-Flop Procedure



```

procedure dff ( Rst, Clk : in bit;
               D : in bit_vector(0 to 7);
               Q : out bit_vector(0 to 7)) is
begin
  if Rst = '1' then
    Q <= '00000000';
  elsif Clk = '1' and Clk'event then
    Q <= D;
  end if;
end dff;

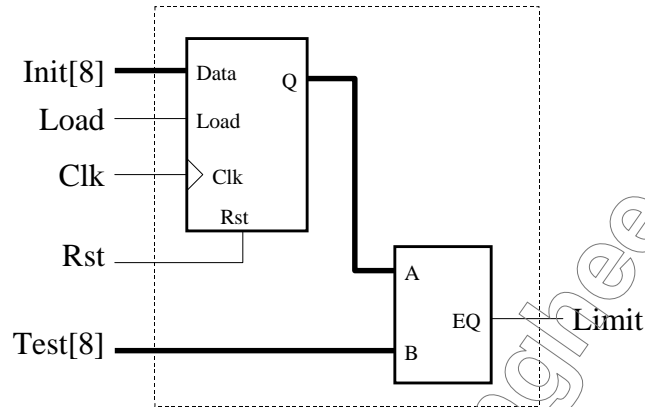
```

Procedures can help to describe common behavior.

Note: a component could also be used for this purpose.



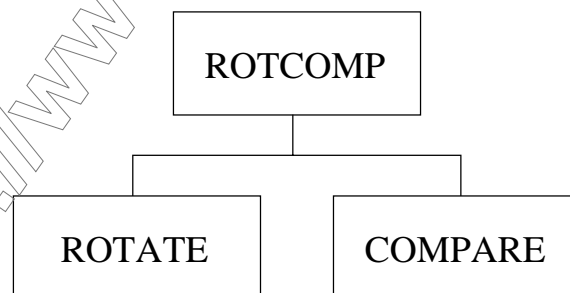
Structural VHDL



The structural features of VHDL can be used to create the equivalent of a schematic netlist.



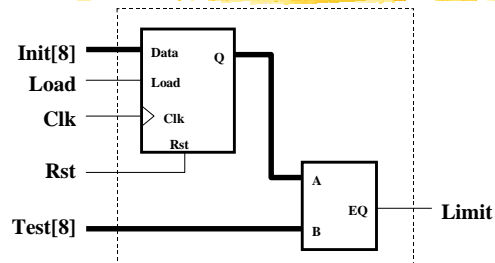
Design Hierarchy



You can think of your hierarchical design as a tree structure.



Entity



```

entity rotcomp is
  port( Clk, Rst, Load: in bit;
        Init : in bit_vector(0 to 7);
        Test : in bit_vector(0 to 7);
        Limit : out bit );
end rotcomp;

```



Architecture



```

architecture structure of rotcomp is
  -- Component Declare "Compare"
  component compare
    port(A, B: in bit_vector(0 to 7); EQ: out bit);
  end component;
  -- Component Declare "Rotate"
  component rotate
    port(Clk, Rst, Load: in bit;
         Data: in bit_vector(0 to 7);
         Q: out bit_vector(0 to 7));
  end component;
  -- Signals for netlist
  signal Q: bit_vector(0 to 7);

begin
  -- Component Instantiate and Netlist
  COMP1: compare port map ( EQ=>Limit, A=>Q, B=>Test);
  ROT1: rotate port map (Clk, Rst, Load, Init, Q);
end structure;

```



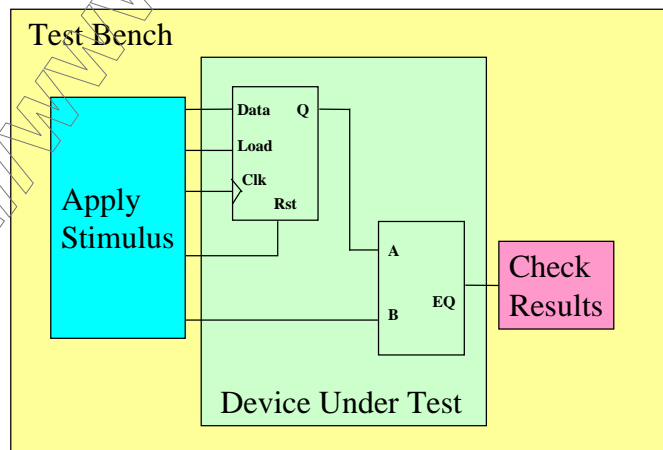
Test Benches



- Analogous to a hardware test fixture
- Written using behavioral (sequential) VHDL statements
- Use structure (hierarchy) to include the design
- Can be used to create automated tests

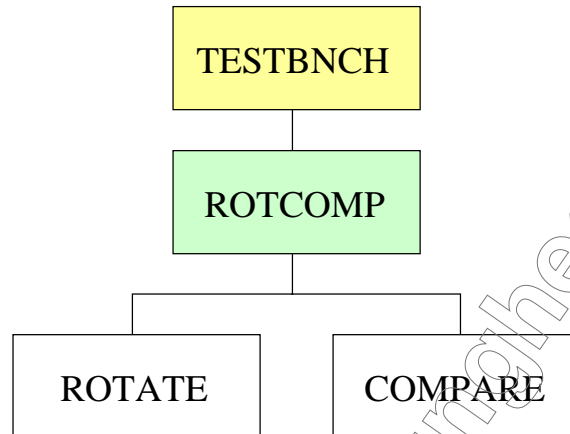


Test Benches: Virtual Circuits





Design Hierarchy



Sample Test Bench



entity testbnch is
 -- Testbench has NO Port
 end testbnch;

architecture behavior of testbnch is

-- Declare DUT Component
 component rotcomp is
 port(Clk, Rst, Load: bit;
 Init: bit_vector(0 to 7);
 Test: bit_vector(0 to 7);
 Limit: out bit;
 end component;

-- SIGNALs used in testbench
 signal Clk, Rst, Load: bit;
 signal Init: bit_vector(0 to 7);
 signal Test: bit_vector(0 to 7);
 signal Limit: bit;

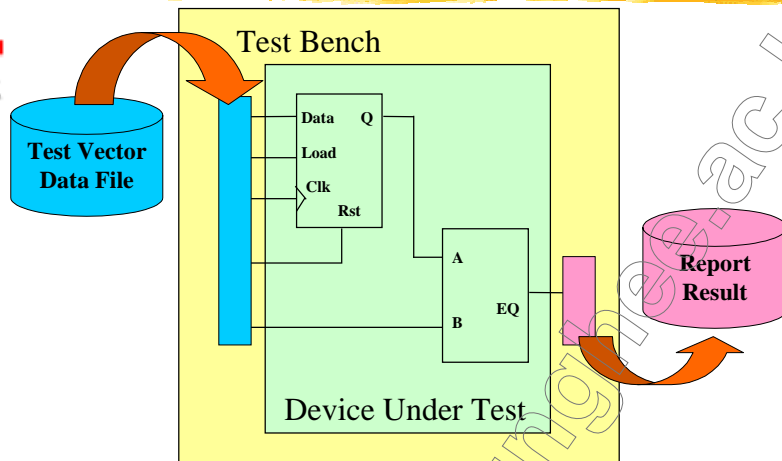
begin
 DUT: rotcomp -- Instantiate DUT
 port map (Clk, Rst, Load, Init, Test,
 Limit);

clock: process -- Clock Generator
 variable clktmp: bit := '0';
 begin
 clktmp := not clktmp;
 Clk <= clktmp;
 wait for PERIOD / 2;
 end process;

stimulus: process -- Apply Stimulus
 begin
 Rst <= '0';
 Load <= '1';
 Init <= "00001111";
 Test <= "11110000";
 wait for PERIOD;
 Load <= '0';
 wait for PERIOD * 4;
 end process;
 end behavior;



Reading Test Vectors



Reading Test Vectors



```

stimulus: process
  file vecFile : text is in "test4.vec"; -- Data File
  variable vecLine : line; -- Text IO Buffer
  variable vecString : string;
  begin
    while not endfile(vecFile) loop
      readline(vecFile, vecLine); -- Read Line from File
      read(vecLine, r, good => good_number); -- Copy to IO Buffer
      read (file_line,vecString);
      -- Convert the input string to stimulus data
      -- Apply the stimulus, wait for some time, etc.
    end loop;
    assert false report "Test complete";
    wait;
  end process;

```




What We're Learned So Far



- Basic language features
- Dataflow, behavior and structure
- Combinational and registered circuits
- Hierarchy
- Test bench basics
- Lots of VHDL jargon!

Lab. Exercise



Testbench

Verilog 개요



Data flow and behavioral descriptions
Concurrent and sequential functionality
Numbers and data types.



Modules



- **Basic Building Block**
 - ◆ **Boundaries and Contents of logic**
- **Module name and Port List**
- **Port's Direction mode**

```
module small_block (a, b, c, o1, o2);  
  input a, b, c;  
  output o1, o2;  
  
  wire s;  
  
  assign o1 = s || c;  
  assign s = a && b;  
  assign o2 = s ^ c;  
  
endmodule
```



Numbers



- Bitwidth and Prefix
- Default : 32-bit width decimal

Name	Prefix	Legal Characters
binary	'b	01xXzZ_?
octal	'o	0~7xXzZ_?
decimal	'd	0~9xXzZ_?
hexadecimal	'h	0~9a~fA~FxXzZ_?

"_" a separator to improve readability, 'x','X' Unknown, 'z','Z','?' Tri-State Value

Example)

8'b01010101	8-bit Binary number
20'hff_ff	20-bit Hexadecimal number
352	32-bit Decimal number
10'bZ	10-bit all tri-state



Data Types in Verilog



- Only two fundamental types: nets and registers.
- A net is analogous to a wire.
- A Reg is a wire that has memory (can store a value over time).
- Verilog lacks the Data richness of VHDL, but also eliminates the type checking and conversion overhead.



Data Types



■ Data Types (default scalar)

- ◆ Nets
 - wire
 - tri
 - supply0
 - supply1
 - wand & wor
- ◆ register
- ◆ parameter

■ Optional Range Specification

[<MSB>:<LSB>]



Net Data Types



■ NOT store value

■ wire Nets

- ◆ driven by single gates

■ tri Nets

- ◆ driven by multiple gates

■ supply Nets

- ◆ Power or GND supplies in the circuits

■ wand and wor Net Types

- ◆ wired logic



Register Data Type



- Store value
- Use keyword **reg**
- Register assigned in the **always** block with clock edge event (**posedge** or **negedge**)
- Flip-Flop Synthesized only in **always** block **reg**



Parameter Data Type



- **parameter**
 - ◆ a Default value
 - ◆ Overriden when instantiated
- Declaration Local to **begin~end** block
- Array of **reg** and **integer** Declaration

```
input [10:0] data;
always @ (data)
begin: named_block
integer i;
parity = 0;
for (i = 0; i < 11; i = i + 1)
parity = parity ^ data[i];
end //named_block
```

```
input [0:3] address;
input [0:7] date_in;
output [0:7] data_out;
reg [0:7] data_out, mem [0:15];

always @ (address or date_in or we)
if (we) mem [address] = date_in;
else data_out = mem [address];
```



Continuous Assignments



- Assign to nets and ports in the dataflow env.

```
module tri_asgn (source, ce, wrclk, selector, result) ;
input [0:3]source, ce, wrclk ;
input [0:1]selector ;
output result ;
reg [0:3]intreg ;
reg result ;
wire [0:1]sel = selector ; // net declaration assignment
tri result_int ;
// continuous assignment statement
assign
result_int = (sel == 2'b00)? intreg[0] : 1'bZ ,
result_int = (sel == 2'b01)? intreg[1] : 1'bZ ,
result_int = (sel == 2'b10)? intreg[2] : 1'bZ ,
result_int = (sel == 2'b11)? intreg[3] : 1'bZ ;
always @(posedge wrclk)
begin
if (ce)
begin
intreg = source;
result = result_int ;
end
end
endmodule
```



Procedural Assignments



- Assign register variables
- Blocking assignment
 - ◆ “=”
 - ◆ sequential block
 - ◆ assign immediately
- Non-Blocking Assignment
 - ◆ “<=”
 - ◆ Scheduled assignment



Always Block



- sequential execution block
- sensitivity list
- communicate via reg variable

```

always @(condition)
begin
    sequential statement;
    sequential statement;
    sequential statement;
    .
    .
end

```



Concurrent vs. Sequential



```

module my_proj (...)
    declarations
        concurrent assignments, etc.
        Sequential {
            always @(condition)
            begin
                ...
            end
        }
        Concurrent {
            Sequential {
                always @(condition)
                begin
                    ...
                end
            }
        }
        concurrent assignments, etc.
endmodule

```



Always block Example



```
module mux_case (source, ce, wrclk, selector, result);
input [0:3]source;
input ce, wrclk;
input [0:1]selector;
output result;
reg [0:3]intreg;
reg result, result_int;

always @(posedge wrclk) // Clocked Flip-Flop
begin
if (ce)
intreg = source;
result = result_int;
end

always @(intreg or selector) // Combinational Block
case (selector)
2b'00: result_int = intreg[0];
2b'01: result_int = intreg[1];
2b'10: result_int = intreg[2];
2b'11: result_int = intreg[3];
endcase
endmodule
```



Module Instantiation



- Design hierachy
- Parameter override during instantiation of Module

```
module top (a, b);
input [0:3] a;
output [0:3] b;
do_assign #(4) name (a, b);
endmodule

module do_assign (a, b);
parameter n = 2;
input [0:n-1] a;
output [0:n-1] b;
assign b = a;
endmodule
```

- defparam statement

```
do_assign name (a, b);
defparam name.n = 4;
```




Module Instanciation Example



```
module scanner (reset, stop, load, clk, load_value, data) ;
input reset, stop, load, clk;
input [3:0]load_value;
output [3:0]data;
reg [4:0] addr;

// Instantiate and connect 4 32x1-bit rams
RAM_32x1 U0 (.a(addr), .d(load_value[0]), .we(load), .o(data[0]));
RAM_32x1 U1 (.a(addr), .d(load_value[1]), .we(load), .o(data[1]));
RAM_32x1 U2 (.a(addr), .d(load_value[2]), .we(load), .o(data[2]));
RAM_32x1 U3 (.a(addr), .d(load_value[3]), .we(load), .o(data[3]));

// Generate the address for the rams
always @(posedge clk or posedge reset)
begin
if (reset)
addr = 5'b0 ;
else if (~stop)
addr = addr + 5'b1 ;
end
endmodule

module RAM_32x1 ( a, we, d, o);
input [4:0] a;
input we, d ;
output o;
endmodule
```



Operators



- Arithmetic
 - ◆ + - * /
 - ◆ divider support constant and poer of 2
- Relational
 - ◆ < > <= >=
- Logical
 - ◆ == (EQ) != (NEQ) !(NOT) && (AND) || (OR)
- Bitwise
 - ◆ ~ (NOT) & (AND) | (OR) ^ (XOR) ~^ (EQ) ^~ (EQ)
- Reduction (unary)
 - ◆ & (AND) | (OR) ^ (XOR) ~& (NAND) ~| (NOR) ~^ (NOT-XOR)
- Conditional
 - ◆ ? :
- Concatenation
 - ◆ { }



Example : === and !==



```
module triple_eq_neq (in1, in2, O);
output [0:10] O;
input [0:2] in1, in2;
assign
O[0] = 3'b0x0 === 3'b0x0, // output is 1
O[1] = 3'b0x0 !== 3'b0x0, // output is 0
O[2] = 3'b0x0 === 3'b1x0, // output is 0
O[3] = 3'b0x0 !== 3'b1x0, // output is 1
O[4] = in1===3'b0x0,      // LHS is non constant so this
                          // produces warning that comparison
                          // metalogical character is
                          // with zero. output is 0
O[5] = in1 !== 3'b0x0,    // LHS is non constant so this
                          // produces warning that comparison
                          // with metalogical character is
                          // zero.output is 1,because it
                          // checks for not equality
O[6] = in1 === 3'b010,   // normal comparison
O[7] = in1 !== 3'b010,   // normal comparison
O[8] = in1 === in2,     // normal comparison
O[9] = in1 !== in2,     // normal comparison
O[10] = 3'b00x === 1'bx; // output is 1
endmodule
```



Statements

■ if~else statement

```
if (condition)
expressions;
else if (condition)
expressions;
end;
```

■ case/casex/casez statement

```
case (var)
const0 : begin
...
end;

const0 : begin
...
end;
...
default : begin
...
end;
endcase;
```



Statements



- **disable statement**
- **for statements**
 - ◆ **for (init_value; loop_condition; incrment)**
- **forever statement**
- **repeat statement**
- **while statement**



Subprograms



- **Functions**
 - ◆ **input params and return value**
 - ◆ **combinational**
- **Tasks**
 - ◆ **input and output params**
 - ◆ **combinational and sequential**
 - ◆ **System Tasks**



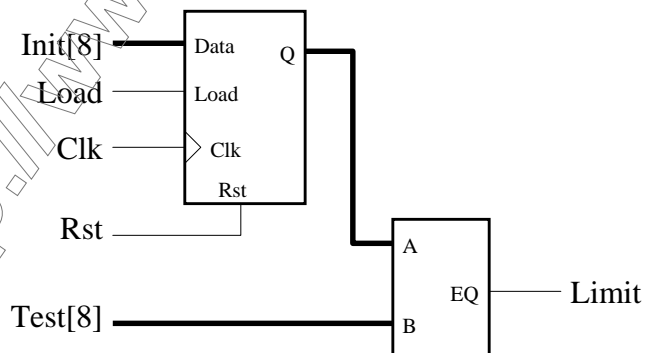
Compiler directives



- ``define`
- ``ifdef`
- ``else`
- ``endif`
- ``include`
- ``signed`
- ``unsigned`
- ``unconnected_drive`
- ``nounconnected_drive`

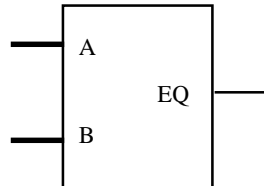


Sample Circuit





Sample : Comparator



```

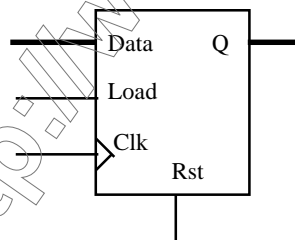
/*****
 * Eight-bit comparator
 */
module compare (A,B,EQ);
  input [0:7] A;
  input [0:7] B;
  output EQ;

  assign EQ = (A == B);

endmodule
  
```



Sample : Shifter



```

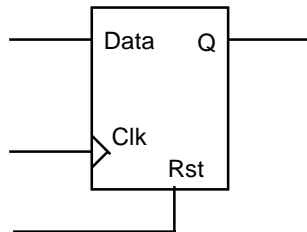
/*****
 * Shifter
 */
module rotate (Clk,Rst,Load,Data,Q);
  input Clk,Rst,Load;
  input [0:7] Data;
  output [0:7] Q;

  reg [0:7] Q;

  always @(Rst) Q = 0;
  always @(posedge Clk)
  begin
    if (Load)
      Q = Data;
    else
      Q = {Q[1:7], Q[0]};
    end;
  endmodule
  
```



D Flip-Flop



```

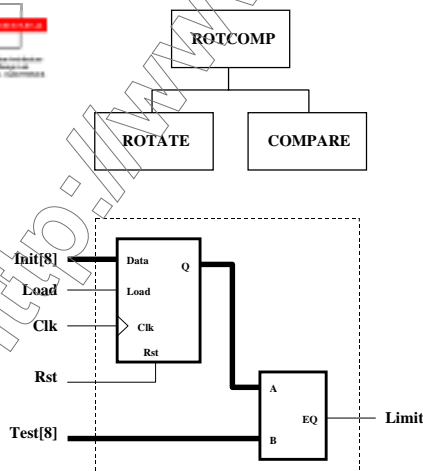
module dff (Rst,Clk,D,Q);
  input Rst,Clk,D;
  output Q;
  reg Q;

  always @(posedge Rst or posedge Clk)
    if Rst
      Q = 1;
    else
      Q = D;
endmodule ;

```



Structural Verilog



```

module rotcomp (Clk,Rst,Load,Init,Test,Limit);
  input Clk,Rst,Load;
  input [0:7] Init;
  input [0:7] Test;
  output Match;

  wire [0:7] Q;

  rotate ROT1 (Clk,Rst,Load,Init,Q);
  compare COMP1 (Q,Test,Limit);
endmodule

```

HDL과 PLD 전용 언어의 비교



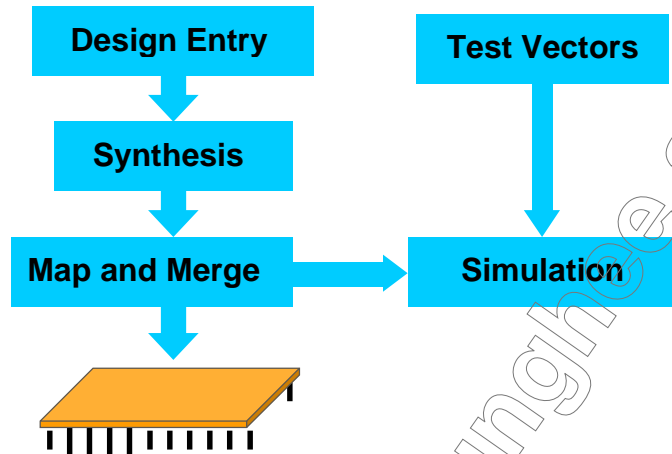
근본적인 차이



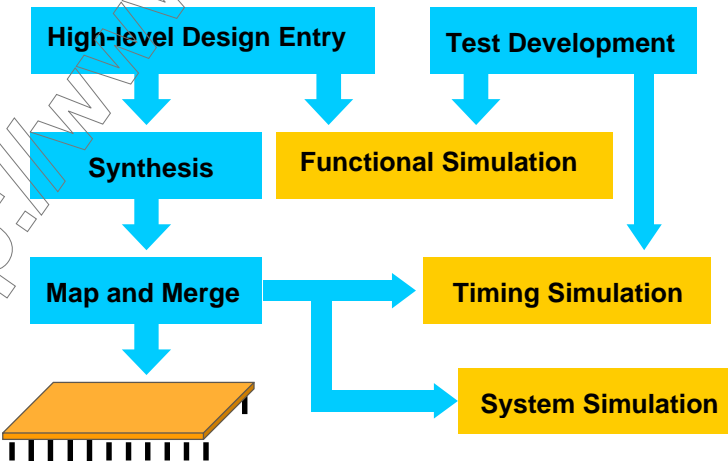
- **VHDL, Verilog** 과 같은 **HDL**은 합성과 시뮬레이션을 위한 언어이다.
- **HDL**은 순차구문(**sequential**)을 제공하여 언어적인 성격을 가진다.
- **HDL**은 고수준의 자료형(**integer, real...**)을 다루며 제어구문 (**if~else, case~ when**)을 지원한다.
- **HDL**은 세부적인 타이밍정보를 지정할수 있다.



PLD Language Flow



HDL Language Flow





More Than Design Entry...



- HDLs allow the overall design specification (not just the grubby details) to be described.
- Standard languages opens up tremendous opportunities for system simulation and interface to other design tools.



Similarities Between HDLs and PLD Languages



- VHDL, Verilog and PLD Languages provide similar features for control flow.
- Hierarchy features are provided in most PLD languages.
- Describing combinational and registered logic is similar, but...



Some Important Differences



- VHDL and Verilog do not have built-in registers (Registers inference) or other device features.
- PLD languages do not have high-level data types.
- PLD languages have powerful truth table and state diagram languages.
- PLD languages are generally non-portable, and are poor test languages.



ABEL and VHDL Compare



■ VHDL

```
entity counter is
  port(Clk,Rst,Load: bit;
        Data: in integer range 0 to 255;
        Count: out integer range 0 to 255);
end counter;

architecture count2 of counter is
  signal D,Q: integer range 0 to 255;
begin
  D <= Data when Load = '1' else
    0 when Q = 255 else
    Q + 1;

  dff(Rst, Clk, D, Q);

  Count <= Q;

end count2;
```

■ ABEL

```
module counter
  Clk,Rst pin 1,2;
  D7..D0 pin 4..11;
  Data = [D7..D0];
  Q7..Q0 pin 14..21 istype 'reg';
  Count = [Q7..Q0];

  equations
    Count.clk = Clk;
    Count.clr = Rst;
    Count := Data & Load
            # (Count.fb + 1) & !Load;

end counter;
```

PLD languages have built-in features for PLD and FPGA design.



State Machines (Altera AHDL)



Special data type (my_machine):

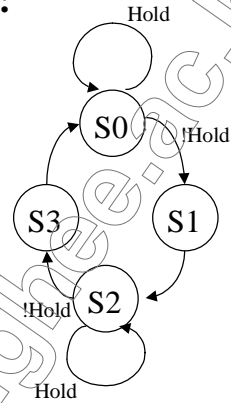
```

subdesign sm
( Clk, Rst, Hold: input;
  O: output;)

variable
  my_machine: machine of bits q1,q0
    with states (S0,S1,S2,S3);

begin
  ...

```



Simple State Machine (AHDL)



```

variable
  my_machine: machine of bits q1,q0
    with states (S0,S1,S2,S2);

begin
  my_machine.clk = Clk;
  my_machine.reset = Rst;

  table
    my_machine, Hold => my_machine, O;
    S0      , 0 => S0, 1;
    S0      , 1 => S1, 0;
    S1      , X => S2, 0;
    S2      , X => S3, 1;
    S3      , 0 => S3, 1;
    S3      , 1 => S0, 1;
  end table;
end;

```

Neither VHDL nor Verilog have such a concise state machine language.



Summary



- For simple circuits, PLD languages such as ABEL and AHDL are more concise.
- VHDL and Verilog do not assume anything about your registers; you need to be explicit about their behavior.
- Follow an RTL strategy (know where your registers are, and know which signals are registered) when using HDL synthesis.

VHDL Synthesis



Flip-Flops
Three-,Bi-Dir Buffers
State Machines
Arithmetic and Related Logics
Resource Sharing and Optimization
Mux and Selectors
ROM, PLA, Decoders



Goals of This Section



- More closely examine synthesis conventions
- Find out what is and is not synthesizable in today's tools
- See how HDL statements relate to actual hardware
- Examine the most common synthesis pitfalls

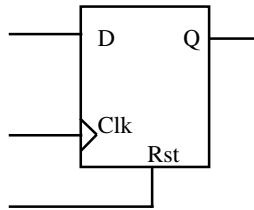
Flip-Flops



Sync/Async Rest or Reset
Latch
Chip Enable



Flip-Flop Convention

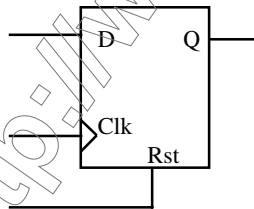


architecture behavior of dff is

```
begin
  process(Rst,Clk)
  begin
    if Rst = '1' then -- Async reset
      Q <= (others=>'0');
    elsif (Clk = '1' and Clk'event) then
      Q <= D;
    end if;
  end process;
end behavior;
```



Synchronous Reset Convention

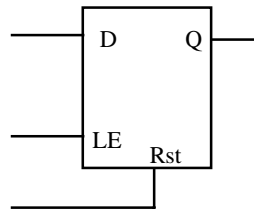


architecture behavior of dff is

```
begin
  process(Clk)
  begin
    if (Clk = '1' and Clk'event) then
      if Rst = '1' then -- Sync reset
        Q <= (others=>'0');
      else
        Q <= D;
      end if;
    end if;
  end process;
end behavior;
```



Latch Convention

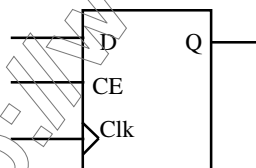


architecture behavior of latch is

```
begin
process(LE, D)
begin
  if LE = '1' then
    Q <= D;
  end if;
end process;
end behavior;
```



Clock Enable



architecture behavior of dff is

```
begin
process(Clk)
begin
  if Clk = '1' and Clk'event then
    if CE = '1' then
      Q <= D;
    end if;
  end if;
end process;
end behavior;
```



Flip-Flop Convention (block)



-- Level Sensitive

```
B1 : block (ena='1')
begin
  Q <= guarded D;
end block;
```

-- Edge-Sensitive Sync reset

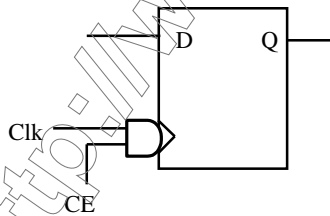
```
B2 : block (clk'event and clk='1')
begin
  Q <= guarded 0 when Rst='1' else D;
end block;
```

-- Clock Enable

```
B2 : block (clk'event and clk='1')
begin
  Q <= guarded D when CE='1' else Q;
end block;
```



Gated Clock



architecture behavior of dff is

```
begin
  process(Clk)
  begin
    if CE = '1' and
      Clk = '1' and Clk'event then
      Q <= D;
    end if;
  end process;
end behavior;
```




Flip-Flop (Wait Statement)



architecture behavior of dff is

```
begin
  process ← NO Sensitivity List
  begin
    wait until clk'event and clk='1'; ←
    Q <= D;
  end process;
end behavior;
```



Suggested Register Conventions



- Use a **process** statement (or procedure) to describe a flip-flop or latch
- Use **'event** attribute or **rising_edge** function to detect clock edge
- Use **if-then-else** style for reset and clock logic
- **Avoid Gated Flip-Flop**
- **Avoid accidental Latch**
- **Verilog** conventions are similar

Lab. Exercise



Flip-Flops

- Sync Set/Reset
- Async Set/Reset
- Level Sensitive Latch
- Edge Triggered Latch

Buffers



- Three-State Buffers
- Bi-Directional Buffers
- Buses



Three-state Buffers



```
entity three-state is
port ( input_1, input_2 : in std_logic ;
      ena_1, ena_2 : in std_logic ;
      output : out std_logic ) ;
end three-state ;
```

```
architecture dataflow of three-state is
begin
```

-- Dataflow

```
output <= input_1 when ena_1 = '1' else 'Z';
output <= input_2 when ena_2 = '1' else 'Z';
```

```
end dataflow ;
```

-- Behavior

```
driver1 : process (ena_1, input_1)
begin
if (ena_1='1') then
output <= input_1 ;
else
output <= 'Z';
end if ;
end process ;
```

```
driver2 : process (ena_2, input_2)
begin
if (ena_2='1') then
output <= input_2 ;
else
output <= 'Z';
end if ;
end process ;
```

Multiple Drive!

*Synthesizable, but "ena_1" and "ena_2"
Never be '1' simultaneously!*



Bi-Directional Buffers



```
entity bidir_function is
port ( bidir_port : inout std_logic ;
      ena         : in std_logic ;
      ...
);
end bidir_function ;
```

```
architecture a_bidir of bidir_function is
signal internal_signal, internal_input : std_logic ;
begin
```

```
bidir_port <= internal_signal when ena = '1' else 'Z';
internal_input <= bidir_port ;
.....
```

```
-- use internal_input
..... <= internal_input;
```

```
-- generate internal_signal
internal_signal <= .....
```

```
end a_bidir ;
```



Buses



entity three-state is

```
port ( input_signal_1, input_signal_2 : in  std_logic_vector (0 to 7) ;  
       ena_1, ena_2                 : in  std_logic ;  
       output_signal                 : out std_logic_vector(0 to 7)  
     );  
end three-state ;
```

architecture exemplar of three-state is
begin

```
output_signal <= input_signal_1 when ena_1 = '1' else 'ZZZZZZZZ';  
output_signal <= input_signal_2 when ena_2 = '1' else 'ZZZZZZZZ';
```

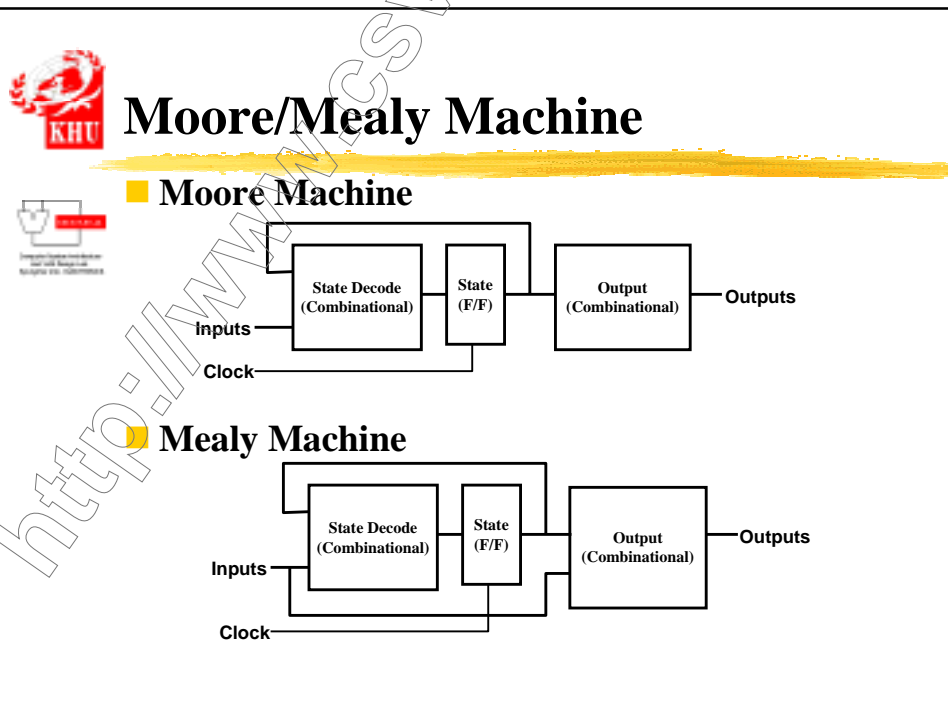
end exemplar ;

Lab. Exercise



Tristate Buffer Bidirectional Bus

State Machine





State Machine Coding Style



- Use Enumeration Type to represent “State”
- Supply Power-Up and Reset Condition
- Use **case** statement for state transition
- **DO NOT** use **OTHER** entry in the **case**
- Use **if~else** for input condition
- Always assign state output under every condition



State Machine Example



■ DRAM Refresh

```
entity ras_cas is
  port ( clk, cs, refresh, reset : in bit ;
        ras, cas, ready       : out bit ) ;
end ras_cas ;
```

```
architecture a_ras_cas of ras_cas is
```

```
-- Define the possible states of the state machine
```

```
type state_type is (s0, s1, s2, s3, s4) ;
```

```
signal present_state, next_state : state_type ;
```

```
begin
```

```
  registers : process (clk, reset)
```

```
  begin
```

```
    -- process to update the present state
```

```
    if (reset='1') then
```

```
      present_state <= s0 ;
```

```
    elsif clk'event and clk = '1' then
```

```
      present_state <= next_state ;
```

```
    end if ;
```

```
  end process ;
```

Enumerate Type

State F/F



State Machine Example (cont.)



transitions :

```
process (present_state, refresh, cs)
```

```
begin
```

```
-- process to calculate the next state
```

```
-- and the outputs
```

```
case present_state is
```

```
when s0 =>
```

```
  ras <= '1'; cas <= '1'; ready <= '1';
```

```
  if (refresh = '1') then
```

```
    next_state <= s3 ;
```

```
  elsif (cs = '1') then
```

```
    next_state <= s1 ;
```

```
  else
```

```
    next_state <= s0 ;
```

```
  end if ;
```

```
when s1 =>
```

```
  ras <= '0'; cas <= '1'; ready <= '1';
```

```
  next_state <= s2 ;
```

```
when s2 =>
```

```
  ras <= '0'; cas <= '0'; ready <= '0';
```

```
  if (cs = '0') then
```

```
    next_state <= s0 ;
```

```
  else
```

```
    next_state <= s2 ;
```

```
  end if ;
```

```
when s3 =>
```

```
  ras <= '1'; cas <= '0'; ready <= '0';
```

```
  next_state <= s4 ;
```

```
when s4 =>
```

```
  ras <= '0'; cas <= '0'; ready <= '0';
```

```
  next_state <= s0 ;
```

```
end case ;
```

```
end process ;
```

```
end a_ras_cas ;
```

Lab. Exercise



PREP #3

Small Statemachine

Lab. Exercise



PREP #4 **State machine**

Arithmetic and Relational Logic





Overview



VHDL Synthesizer Generate Arithmetic Logic

- ◆ Technology Specific Macros
- ◆ Use Optimized Library of Parametized Module
- ◆ Synthesizable operators : "+", "-", "**", "abs"
- ◆ "-" apply same as "+"
- ◆ "=", "/=", "<", ">", "<=", ">=" generate comparator

Avoid explosion of combinational logic

- ◆ Constant operand
- ◆ Division("/") by power of two (Shifter)
- ◆ Synthesizable exponentiation("**"), if both constant operands

Integer Operation

- ◆ Bit-width of generated arithmetic circuit is depend on operand's range defined
- ◆ 2's complement implementation if integer range extends below 0
- ◆ unsigned implementation, when positive range

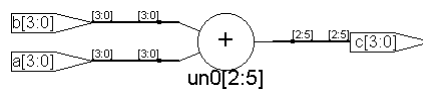


Arithmetic Logic (RTL View)



```
entity add_int8 is
  port(
    a, b : in integer range 0 to 15;
    c : out integer range 0 to 15
  );
end add_int8;
```

```
architecture behave of add_int8 is
begin
  c <= a + b;
end behave;
```



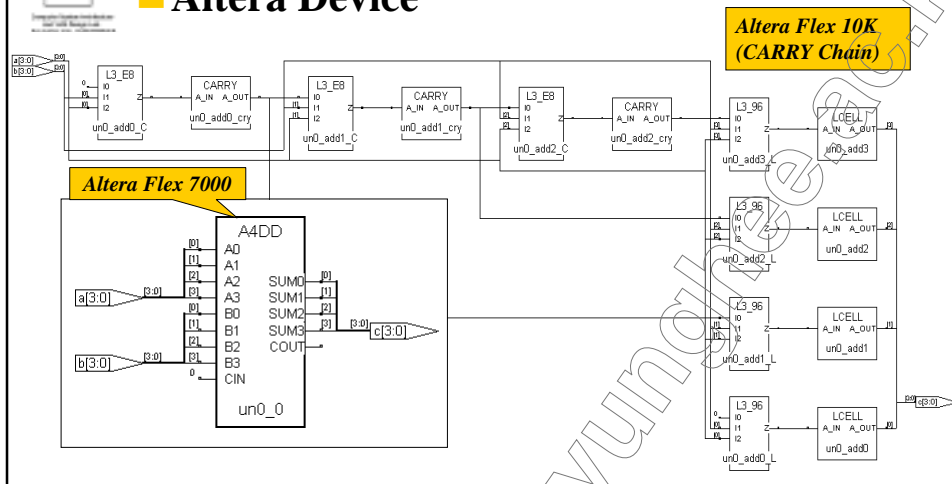
Synthesis RTL View



Arithmetic Logic (Tech. View)



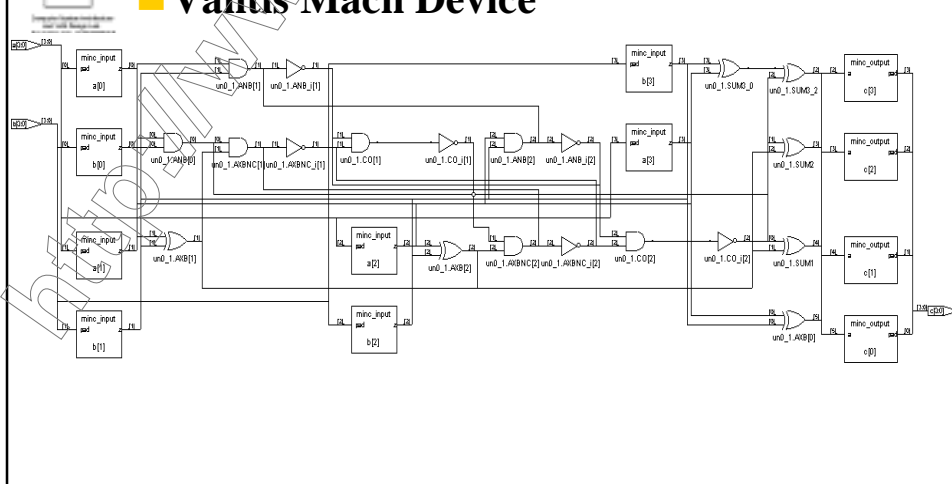
Altera Device



Arithmetic Logic (Tech. View)



Vantis Mach Device





Integer Division Example (1)



```

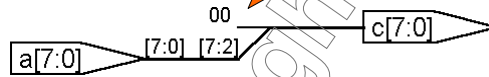
library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.numeric_std.all;

entity div_posint is
  port(a : in integer range 0 to 255;
        c : out integer range 0 to 255 );
end div_posint;

architecture behave of div_posint is
begin
  c <= a / 4;
end behave;

```

Hardwired Shift



Integer Division Example (2)



```

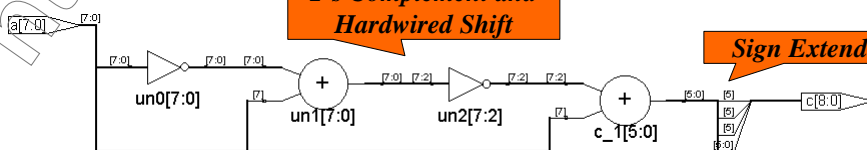
entity div_cmpl is
  port(a : in integer range -128 to 127;
        c : out integer range -256 to 255 );
end div_cmpl;

architecture behave of div_cmpl is
begin
  c <= a / 4;
end behave;

```

2's Complement and Hardwired Shift

Sign Extend



Lab. Exercise



Arithmetics

Improve Synthesis



Module Generation
Resource Sharing
Ranged Integer
Design Optimization



Module Generation



- **Optimized generic modules (Parametized Library Modules)**
 - ◆ Memory Module : ROM, RAM
 - ◆ Counters
 - ◆ Arithmetic and Relational logic
- **Technology Specific Macros**
- **Mega/Macro Functions**
- **Most synthesizer tools support Technology specific macros and/or Module Generation options**



LPM Package Example (Altera)



```
component LPM_ADD_SUB
generic (
  LPM_WIDTH: positive;
  LPM_REPRESENTATION: string := SIGNED;
  LPM_DIRECTION: string := UNUSED;
  LPM_HINT : string := UNUSED;
  LPM_PIPELINE : integer := 0;
  LPM_TYPE: string := L_ADD_SUB );
port (
  DATAA: in std_logic_vector(LPM_WIDTH-1 downto 0);
  DATAB: in std_logic_vector(LPM_WIDTH-1 downto 0);
  ACLR : in std_logic := '0';
  CLOCK : in std_logic := '1';
  CIN: in std_logic := '0';
  ADD_SUB: in std_logic := '1';
  RESULT: out std_logic_vector(LPM_WIDTH-1 downto 0);
  COUT: out std_logic;
  OVERFLOW: out std_logic );
end component;
```



Device Specific Synthesis



- Specifying place-and-route constraints, etc. can be tricky in an HDL.
- Examples: pin assignments, critical nets, clock buffers, etc.
- Hierarchy can be used to reference non-VHDL elements in some tools.
- No standards have been established; follow your synthesis documentation!



Pin Assignments



```
Entity CONTROL Is
  Port (Reset, Clk, Mode, VS, ENDFR: in std_ulogic;
        RAMWE, RAMOE: out std_ulogic;
        ADOE, INCAD: out std_ulogic);
  attribute pinnum: string;
  attribute pinnum of Clk: signal is "1"; -- Device Specific !
  attribute pinnum of Mode: signal is "2";
  attribute pinnum of Data: signal is "37,23,22,21,20,19,18,17";
  attribute pinnum of Addr: signal is "29,28,27,26,16,25,24,12";
  attribute pinnum of RAMWE: signal is "32";
  attribute pinnum of RAMOE: signal is "33";
  attribute pinnum of ADOE: signal is "34";
End CONTROL;
```



Device-specific Macros



architecture structure of lca_macro is

-- Refer to vendor supplied Libraries

```
component RAM16x1
  port (A0, A1, A2, A3, WE, D: in STD_LOGIC;
        O: out STD_LOGIC);
end component;
begin
  ...
  RAM1: RAM16x1 port map (A(0),A(1),A(2),A(3),WE,
                        DATAIN, DATAOUT) ;
  ...
end structure;
```



Resource Share (use Temp signal)



```
process(a,b,c,d)
begin
  if ( a+b=c ) then
    e <= a;
  elsif ( a+b=d ) then
    e <= b;
  else
    e <= c;
  end if;
end process;
```

```
process(a,b,c,d)
variable temp : integer range 0 to 15;
begin
  temp := a + b;
  if ( temp=c ) then
    e <= a;
  elsif ( temp=d ) then
    e <= b;
  else
    e <= c;
  end if;
end process;
```



Resource Share (use parenthesis)



```

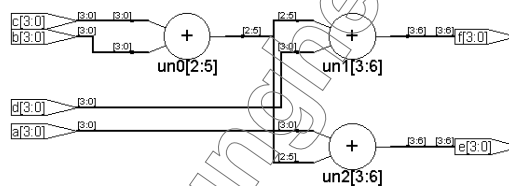
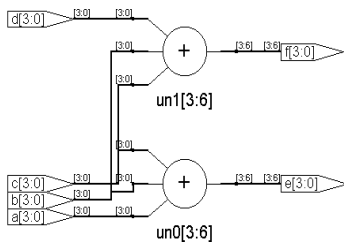
process(a,b,c,d)
begin
  e <= a + b + c;
  f <= b + c + d;
end process;

```

```

process(a,b,c,d)
begin
  e <= a + (b + c);
  f <= (b + c) + d;
end process;

```



Resource Share (mutual exclusive)



```

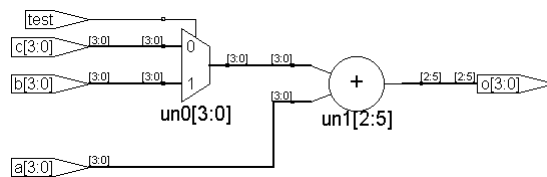
process(a,b,c,test)
begin
  if (test=TRUE) then
    o <= a + b;
  else
    o <= a + c;
  end if;
end process;

```

```

process(a,b,c,test)
variable temp : integer range 0 to 15;
begin
  if (test=TRUE) then
    temp := b;
  else
    temp := c;
  end if;
  o <= a + temp;
end process;

```





Ranged Integer



- Integer type : 32-bit default

```
variable a, b, c : integer;  
c := a + b; -- 32-bit adder
```

- Ranged integer

```
variable a, b, c : integer range 0 to 255;  
c := a + b; -- 8-bit adder
```



Advanced Design Optimization



- Change functionality without violating design spec.
- Understand VHDL and Circuit generated by Synthesizer
- Example : Loadable counter

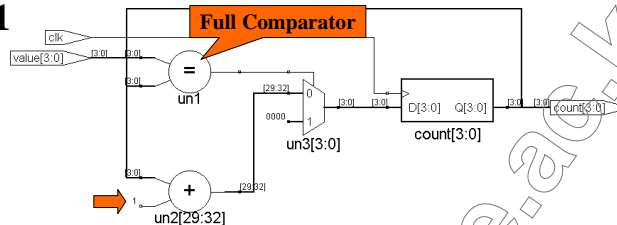
```
L_count1 :  
process  
begin  
wait until clk'event and clk='1';  
if (count = value) then  
count <= 0;  
count_done <= TRUE;  
else  
count <= count + 1;  
count_done <= FALSE;  
end if;  
end process;
```

```
L_count2 :  
process  
constant ZERO : integer range 0 to 15 := 0;  
begin  
wait until clk'event and clk='1';  
if (count = ZERO) then  
count <= value;  
count_done <= TRUE;  
else  
count <= count - 1;  
count_done <= FALSE;  
end if;  
end process;
```

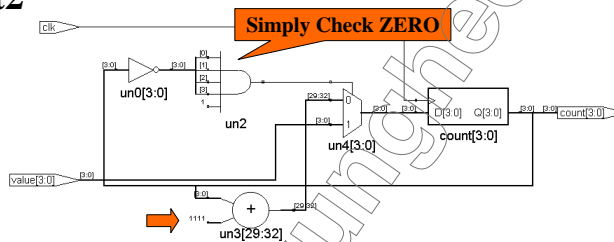


Loadable counter

L_count1



L_count2



Multiplexer and selectors

Use case statement

```

case test_vector is
  when "000" => o <= bus(0) ;
  when "001" | "010" | "100" => o <= bus(1) ;
  when "011" | "101" | "110" => o <= bus(2) ;
  when "111" => o <= bus(3) ;
end case;

```

Use variable indexed array

```

signal vec : std_logic_vector (0 to 15) ;
signal o : std_logic ;
signal i : integer range 0 to 15 ;
...
o <= vec(i) ;

```

Equiv.

```

case i is
  when 0 => o <= vec(0) ;
  when 1 => o <= vec(1) ;
  when 2 => o <= vec(2) ;
  when 3 => o <= vec(3) ;
  ...
end case ;

```

Lab. Exercise



Resource Sharing



ROMs, PLAs and Decoders

■ ROM

- ◆ Address : case condition
- ◆ Data : case statement

```
case address is
  when "0000" => data <= "0111111";
  when "0001" => data <= "0011000";
  when "0010" => data <= "1101101";
  when "0011" => data <= "1111100";
  when "0100" => data <= "1011010";
  when "0101" => data <= "1110110";
  when "0110" => data <= "1110110";
  when "0111" => data <= "0011100";
  when "1000" => data <= "1111111";
  when "1001" => data <= "1111110";
  when "1010" => data <= "1011111";
  when "1011" => data <= "1110011";
  when "1100" => data <= "0100111";
  when "1101" => data <= "1111001";
  when "1110" => data <= "1100111";
  when "1111" => data <= "1000111";
end case;
```



Seven-Segment Decoder



```

type seven_segment is array (6 downto 0) ;
type rom_type is array (natural range <=>) of seven_segment ;
constant hex_to_7 : rom_type (0 to 15) :=
  ("0111111", -- 0
   "0011000", -- 1
   "1101101", -- 2
   "1111100", -- 3
   "1011010", -- 4
   "1110110", -- 5
   "1110111", -- 6
   "0011100", -- 7
   "1111111", -- 8
   "1111110", -- 9
   "1011111", -- A
   "1110011", -- B
   "0100111", -- C
   "1111001", -- D
   "1100111", -- E
   "1000111"); -- F

```

Display segment index numbers :

```

      2
     1 3
      6
     0 4
      5

```

-- Now, the ROM field can be accessed via a integer index
 display_bus <= hex_to_7 (i) ;



PLA and ROM



■ ROM

- ◆ fixed input decoder Plane-as address
- ◆ all cased case statement

■ PLA

- ◆ Input allows don't care condition "-","x"
- ◆ Cannot use case statement

■ Use Modeled ROM/PLA for large size design



2-Dimensional PLA



```
type std_logic_pla is array (natural range <>, natural range <>) of std_logic;
```

```
.....
```

```
procedure pla_table (
```

```
    constant invec : in std_logic_vector;
```

```
    signal outvec : out std_logic_vector;
```

```
    constant table : in std_logic_pla
```

```
) is
```

```
variable x : std_logic_vector (table'range(1)) ; -- product lines
```

```
variable y : std_logic_vector (outvec'range) ; -- outputs
```

```
variable b : std_logic ;
```

```
begin
```

```
    assert (invec'length + outvec'length = table'length(2))
```

```
    report "Size of Inputs and Outputs do not match table size"
```

```
    severity ERROR ;
```



2-Dimensional PLA (cont'ed)



```
-- Calculate the AND plane
```

```
x := (others => '1');
```

```
for i in table'range(1) loop -- PLA Table ROWs
```

```
    for j in invec'range loop
```

```
        b := table (i, table'left(2)-invec'left+j) ;
```

```
        if (b='1') then
```

```
            x(i) := x(i) AND invec (j) ;
```

```
        elsif (b='0') then
```

```
            x(i) := x(i) AND NOT invec(j) ;
```

```
        end if ;
```

```
-- If b is not '0' or '1' (e.g. '-') product line is insensitive to invec(j)
```

```
    end loop ;
```

```
end loop ;
```



2-Dimensional PLA (cont'ed)



```
-- Calculate the OR plane
y := (others=>'0') ;
for i in table'range(1) loop
  for j in outvec'range loop
    b := table(i,table'right(2) - outvec'right+j) ;
    if (b='1') then
      y(j) := y(j) OR x(i);
    end if ;
  end loop ;
end loop ;
outvec <= y ;

end pla_table ;
```



2-Dimensional PLA (cont'ed)



```
constant pos_of_fist_one : std_logic_pla (4 downto 0, 6 downto 0) :=
( "1- - - 000", -- first '1' is at position 0
  "01- - 001", -- first '1' is at position 1
  "001- 010", -- first '1' is at position 2
  "0001011", -- first '1' is at position 3
  "0000111" ); -- There is no '1' in the input
signal test_vector : std_logic_vector (3 downto 0) ;
signal result_vector : std_logic_vector (2 downto 0) ;
...
-- Now use the pla table procedure with PLA pos_of_fist_one
-- test_vector is the input of the PLA, result_vector the output.
...
pla_table ( test_vector, result_vector, pos_of_fist_one) ;
```

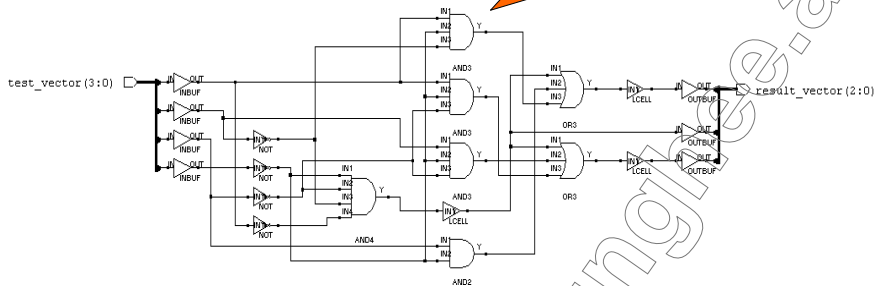


2-Dimensional PLA Synthesis (1)



■ Altera 7000

Synthesis as glue logic

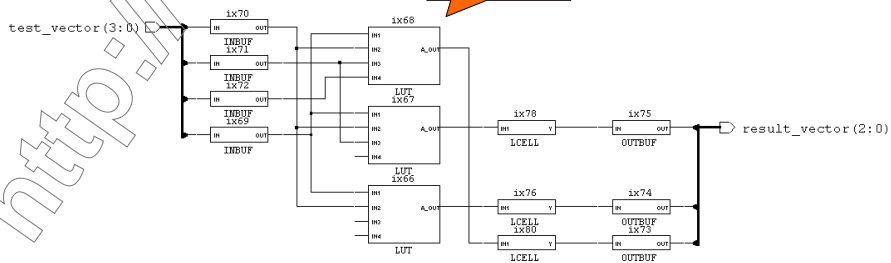


2-Dimensional PLA Synthesis (2)



■ Altera 10k

LUTs



Lab. Exercise



2-Dimensional PLA

Synthesis pitfalls



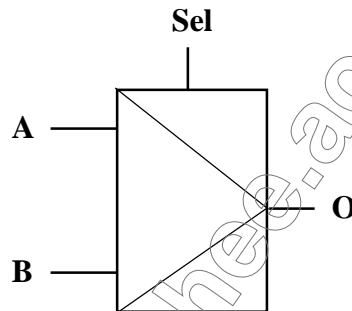


Combinational Logic



IF-ELSE Statement:

```
process (A,B,Sel)
begin
  if (Sel = '1') then
    O <= A;
  else
    O <= B;
  end if;
end process;
```



No problem here, but...

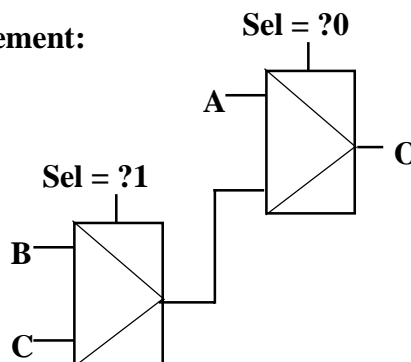


Combinational Logic (cont)



IF-ELSIF-ELSE Statement:

```
process (A,B,C,Sel)
begin
  if (Sel = '00') then
    O <= A;
  elsif (Sel = '01') then
    O <= B;
  else
    O <= C;
  end if;
end process;
```



Be careful with priorities!

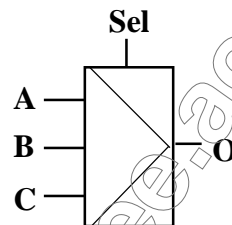


Combinational Logic (cont)



■ CASE Statement:

```
process (A,B,C,Sel)
begin
  case Sel is
    when '00' =>
      O <= A;
    when '01' =>
      O <= B;
    when others =>
      O <= C;
  end case;
end process;
```



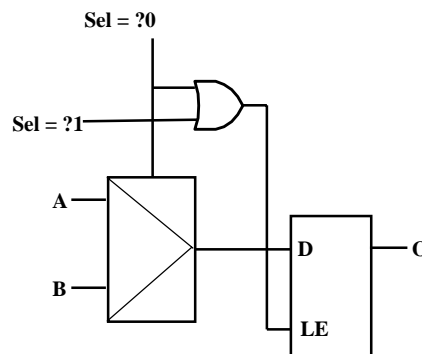
When in doubt, use a case statement!



Accidental Latches



```
process (A,B,Sel)
begin
  if (Sel = '00') then
    O <= A;
  elsif (Sel = '10') then
    O <= B;
  end if;
end process;
```



Don't leave out any conditions or you may get latches!



Accidental Latches (cont)



architecture behavior of dff is

```
begin
  process(Rst, Clk)
  begin
    if Rst = '1' then
      Q1 <= (others=>'0');
    elsif rising_edge(Clk) then
      Q1 <= D1;
      Q2 <= D2; -- Note: should generate error
    end if;
  end process;
end behavior;
```

Hint: what happens to Q2 when Rst is held high on a rising edge of Clk?



Accidental Latches (cont)



```
process (current_state)
begin
  case current_state is
    when S0 =>
      O1 <= ?; O2 <= ?;
    when S1 =>
      O1 <= ?; O2 <= ?;
    when S2 =>
      O1 <= ?; -- O2 doesn't matter in state S2 or S3
    when S3 =>
      O1 <= ?;
  end case;
end process;
```



Accidental Latches (cont)



```

process (current_state)
begin
  O2 <= ?;      -- Be safe! Set default values here.
  case current_state is
    when S0 =>
      O1 <= ?; O2 <= ?;
    when S1 =>
      O1 <= ?; O2 <= ?;
    when S2 =>
      O1 <= ?;      -- O2 doesn't matter in state S2 or S3
    when S3 =>
      O1 <= ?;
  end case;
end process;

```



Q & Qbar



```

ENTITY qqbar IS
  PORT ( data, clk : IN  std_logic;
         q, qbar  : OUT std_logic );
END qqbar;

```

```

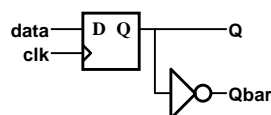
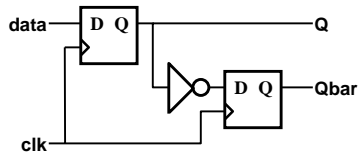
ARCHITECTURE a_qqbar OF qqbar IS
BEGIN
  PROCESS (data, clk)
  BEGIN
    IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
      q <= data;
      qbar <= NOT q;
    END IF;
  END PROCESS;
END a_qqbar;

```

```

ARCHITECTURE a_qqbar_1 OF qqbar IS
BEGIN
  PROCESS (data, clk)
  BEGIN
    IF clk='1' AND clk'EVENT THEN
      q <= data;
    END IF;
  END PROCESS;
  qbar <= NOT q;
END a_qqbar_1;

```





Unsynthesizable Functions



```
function Vec_To_Int (INVEC : bit_vector) return integer is
  variable result: integer := 0;
begin
  for i in INVEC'reverse_range loop
    result := result * 2;
    if (INVEC(i) = '1') then
      result <= result + 1;
    end if;
  end loop;
  return result;
end Vec_To_Int;
```

Theoretically synthesizable (check, it's just a wire) but you'll never get it through the synthesis tool!



UnSynthesizable VHDL



- After clauses (delay specifications)
- Initialization values
- Signals that have multiple clocks
- Unconstrained loops
- Text I/O (File types)
- Access types
- Real types (floating point numbers)



UnSynthesizable Verilog



- User-defined-primitives (UDPs)
- Initial statements
- Multiple clocks
- Pull-downs, pull-ups, etc.
- Forever statements and other infinite loops
- Force, release, etc.
- Join and fork parallel blocks
- Specify blocks, etc.



Initialization Values



```
type state_type is (S0,S1,S2,S3,S4) ;  
signal current_state: state_type := S0 ;
```

- Simulation will start in state S0
- Synthesis will ignore initialization, so you get the device powerup for the initial state
- Summary: always provide a reset!



Multiple Clocks



```
Process(clk0, clk1)
begin
  if clk0'EVENT and clk0='1' then
    q <= d0;
  elsif clk1'EVENT and clk1='1' then
    q <= d1;
  end if;
end process;
```

```
Process(clk0)
begin
  if clk0'EVENT and clk0='1' then
    q <= d0;
  end if;
end process;

Process(clk1)
begin
  if clk1'EVENT and clk1='1' then
    q <= d1;
  end if;
end process;
```

- Not synthesizable
- Rewrite with multiple registers



What We're Learned



- Seen how VHDL and Verilog fit in the overall design process
- Covered the basics of the languages
- Examined some common synthesis-related conventions
- Learned about some common synthesis-related mistakes



Suggested Reading



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