

Verilog 2

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White Space and Comments

- White space makes code more readable
 - Include blank space (\b), tabs (\t), and carriage return (\n).
- Comments
 - /* ... */ : mark more than one line
 - // : mark only one line.

Identifiers

- Identifiers are user-provided names for Verilog objects within a description.
- Legal characters in identifiers:
 - a-z, A-Z, 0-9, _, \$
- The first character of an identifier must be an alphabetical character (a-z, A-Z) or an underscore (_).
- Identifiers can be up to 1023 characters long.

Identifiers

- Names of modules, ports, and instances are identifiers.

```
module MUX_2_to_1(out,a,b,sel);
    output out;
    input a,b,sel;
    not U0(sel_,sel);
    and U1(a1,a,sel_);
    or  U2(b1,b,sel);
    or  U3(out,a1,b1);
endmodule
```

Identifiers

The diagram illustrates the concept of identifiers in Verilog. It shows a block of Verilog code with several identifiers highlighted by dashed boxes and arrows pointing to the word "Identifiers". The highlighted identifiers include the module name "MUX_2_to_1", its outputs "out", inputs "a" and "b", and its selection input "sel". Inside the module, the four logic blocks are labeled "U0", "U1", "U2", and "U3", each with its own set of identifiers like "sel_" and "a1".

Keywords

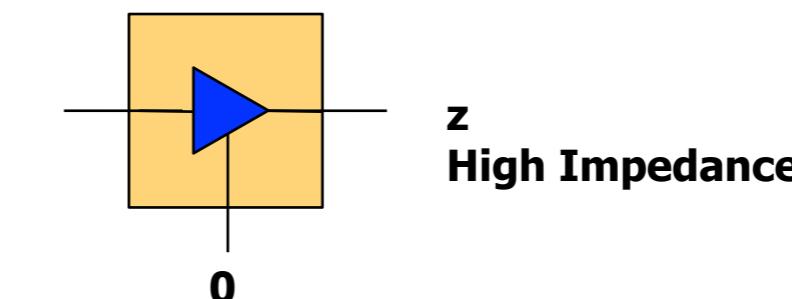
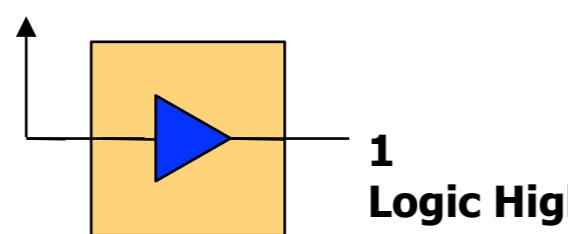
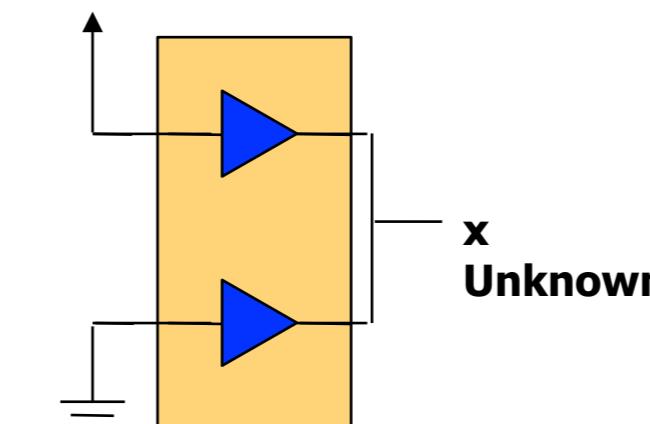
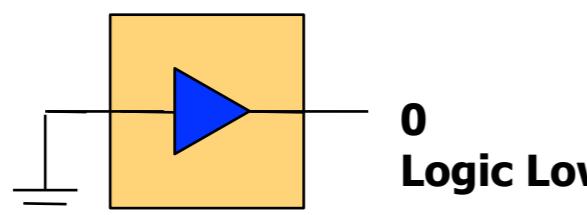
- Pre-defined non-escaped identifiers that used to define the language construct.
- All keywords are defined in lower cases.
- Examples
 - module, endmodule
 - input, output, inout
 - reg, integer, real, time
 - not, and, or, nand, nor, xor
 - parameter
 - begin, end
 - fork, join
 - always, for
 - ...

Case Sensitivity

- Verilog is a case sensitive language.
- Use “-u” option in command line option for case-insensitive.

Value Sets

- 4-value logic system in Verilog



Integer and Real Numbers

- Numbers can be integer or real numbers.
- Integer can be sized or unsized. Sized integer can be represented as
 - <size>'<base><value>
 - size : size in bits
 - base : can be b(binary), o(octal), d(decimal), or h(hexadecimal)
 - value : any legal number in the selected base and x, z, ?.
- Real numbers can be represented in decimal or scientific format.

Integer and Real Numbers

- 16 : 32 bits decimal
- 8'd16
- 8'h10
- 8'b0001_0000
- 8'o20
- 32'bx : 32 bits x
- 2'b1? : ? represents a high impedance bit
- 6.3
- 5.3e-4
- 6.2e3

Concatenation and Replication Operators

- Bit replication for 01010101
 - assign byte = {4{2'b01}};
- Sign extension
 - assign word = {{8{byte[7]}},byte};

Data Types

- **Nets**

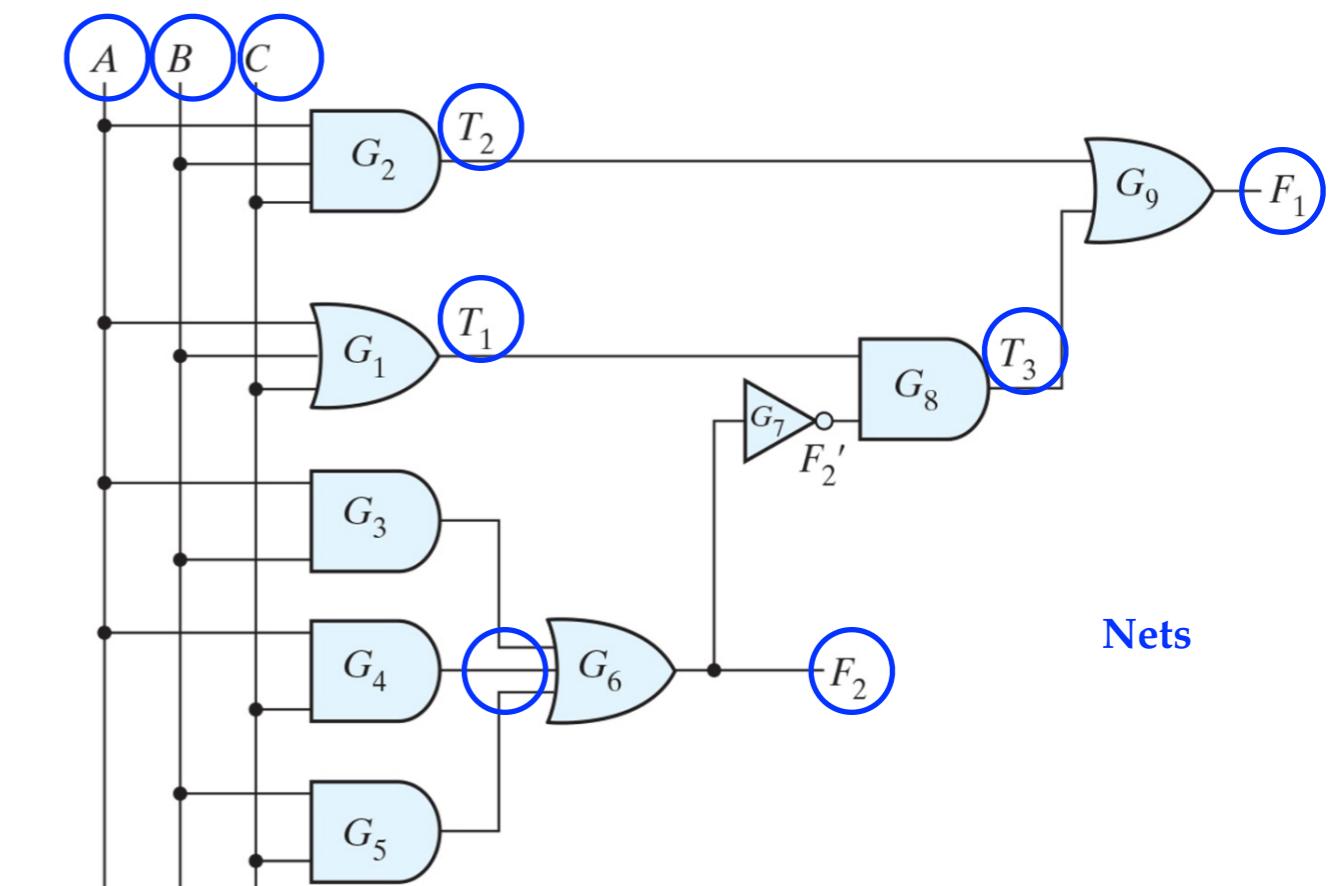
- Physical wire or group of wires connecting hardware elements in a module or between modules

- **Registers**

- Represent a variable that can contain a value
- Represent abstract storage elements

Nets (1/2)

- Physical connections between structural entities
- Must be driven by a driver, such as **gate instantiation** or **continuous assignment**
- As the driver changes its value, Verilog automatic propagate the value onto a net
- Default value is **z** if no drivers are connected to a net



- $F_2 = AB + AC + BC$
- $T_1 = A + B + C$
- $T_2 = ABC$
- $T_3 = F_2' T_1$
- $F_1 = T_3 + T_2$
- $F_1 = T_3 + T_2 = F_2' T_1 + ABC = (AB + AC + BC)' (A + B + C) + ABC = A'BC' + A'B'C + AB'C' + ABC$

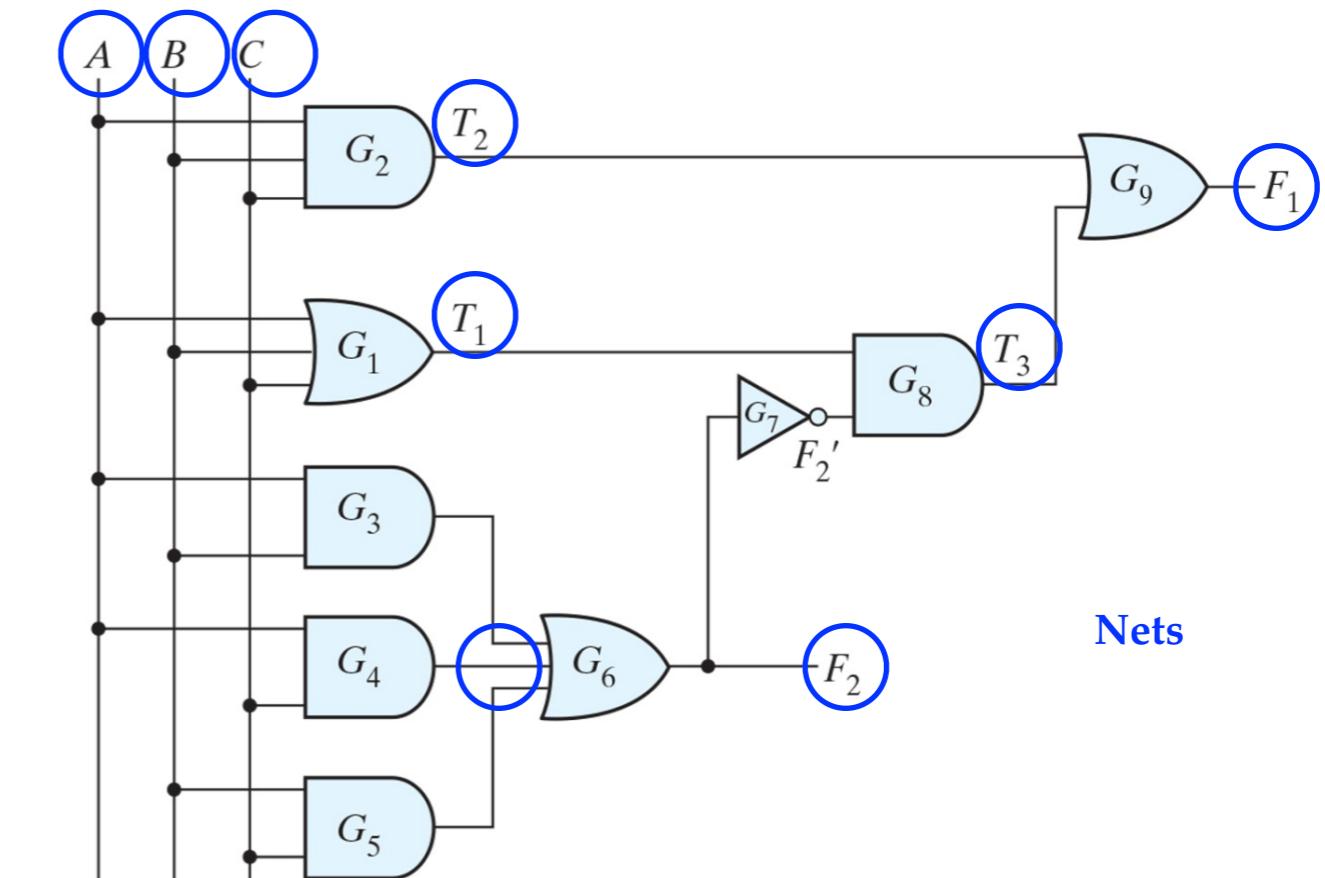
Nets (2/2)

Internal nets

```
module ex_net(F1, F2, A, B, C);
output F1, F2;
input A, B, C;
wire T1, T2, T3;
```

```
assign F2 = A&B | B&C | C&A;
assign T1 = A | B | C;
assign T2 = A & B & C;
assign T3 = (~F2) & T1;
assign F1 = T3 | (T2 & F1);

endmodule
```



Nets

- $F_2 = AB + AC + BC$
- $T_1 = A + B + C$
- $T_2 = ABC$
- $T_3 = F_2' \cdot T_1$
- $F_1 = T_3 + T_2 \cdot F_1 = T_3 + T_2 = F_2' \cdot T_1 + ABC = (AB + AC + BC)'(A + B + C) + ABC = A'BC' + A'B'C + AB'C' + ABC$

Registers (1 / 3)

- Represent **abstract** storage elements
- A register holds its value until a new value is assigned to it
- Registers are used extensively in behavior modeling and in applying stimuli
- Default value is x

Registers (2/3)

```
module dff(
    q, // output
    d, // input
    clk, // global clock
    rst_n // active low reset
);

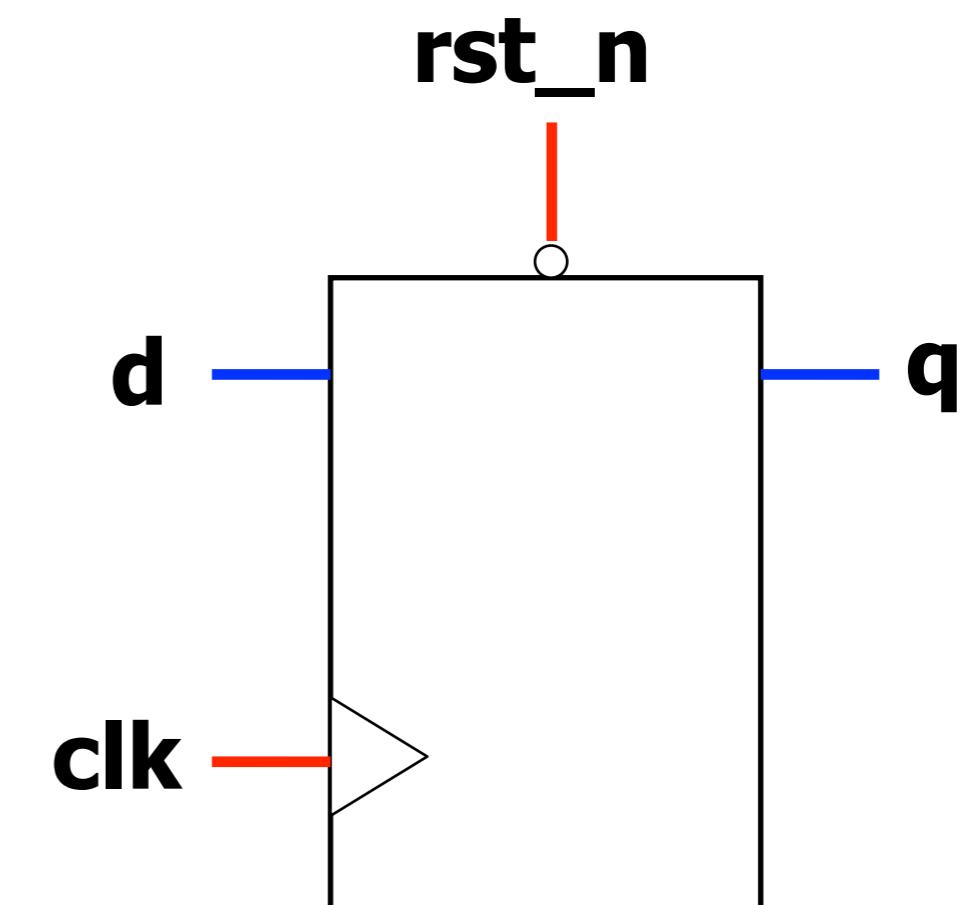
    output q; // output
    input d; // input
    input clk; // global clock
    input rst_n; // active low reset

    reg q; // output (in always block)

    always @(posedge clk or negedge rst_n)
        if (~rst_n)
            q<=0;
        else
            q<=d;

endmodule
```

D-type Flip-flop



Registers (3/3)

```

module test_smux;
    wire OUT;
    reg A,B,SEL;

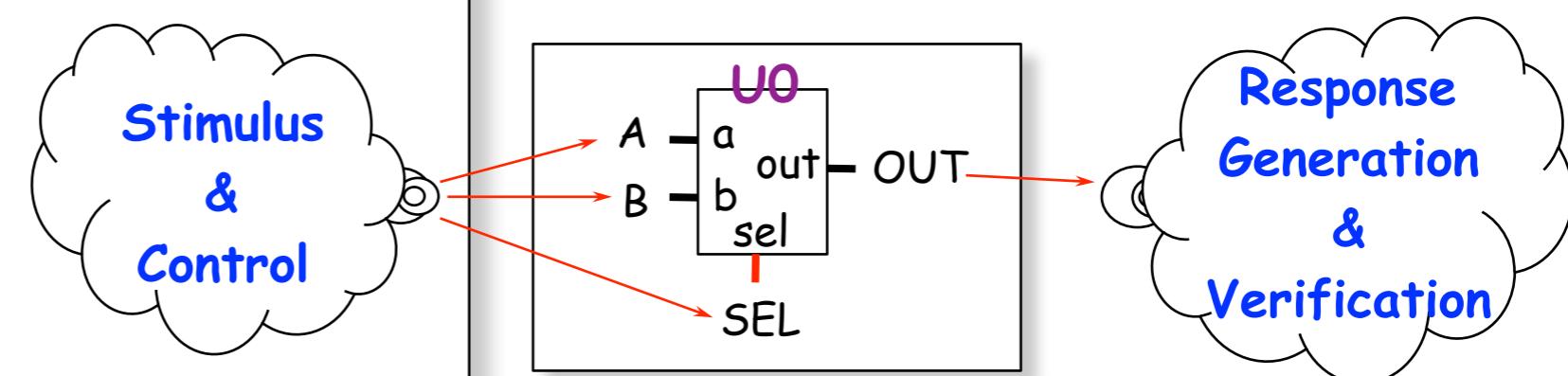
    smux U0(.out(OUT),.a(A),.b(B),.sel(SEL));

initial
begin
    A=0;B=0;SEL=0;
    # 10 A=0;B=0;SEL=1;
    # 10 A=0;B=1;SEL=0;
    # 10 A=0;B=1;SEL=1;
    # 10 A=1;B=0;SEL=0;
    # 10 A=1;B=0;SEL=1;
    # 10 A=1;B=1;SEL=0;
    # 10 A=1;B=1;SEL=1;
end

endmodule

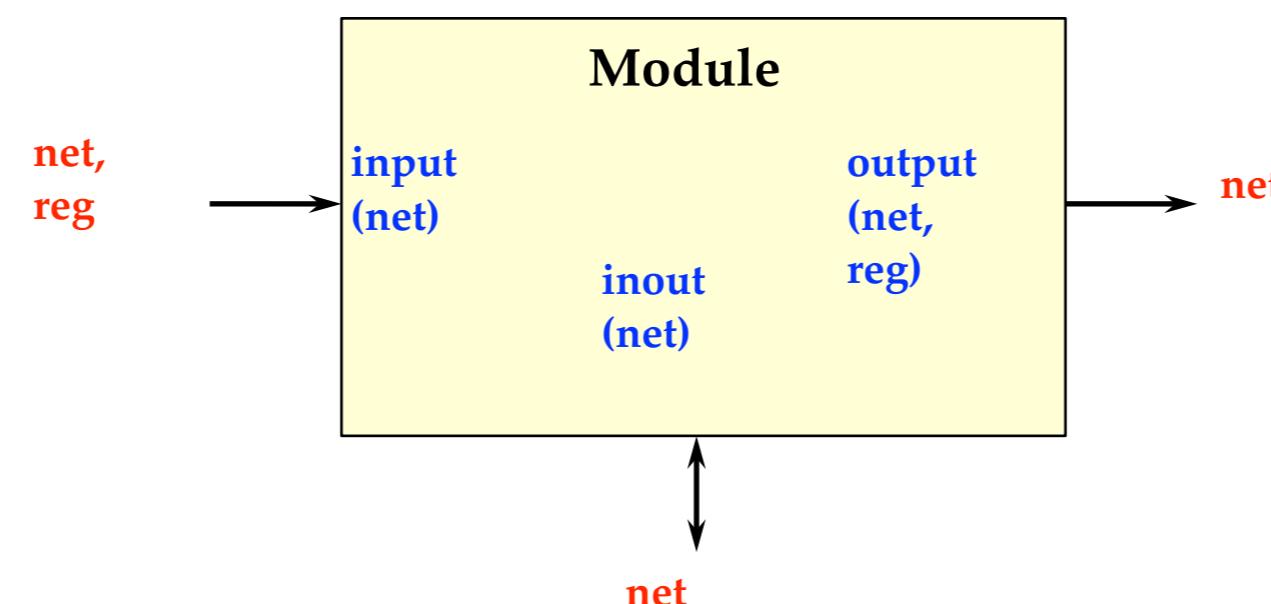
```

Testbench for SMUX



Choosing the Correct Data Types

- An input or inout port must be a net
- An output port can be a net or a register data type
- A signal assigned a value in a procedural block must be a register data type



RTL Modeling

- **Dataflow modeling**

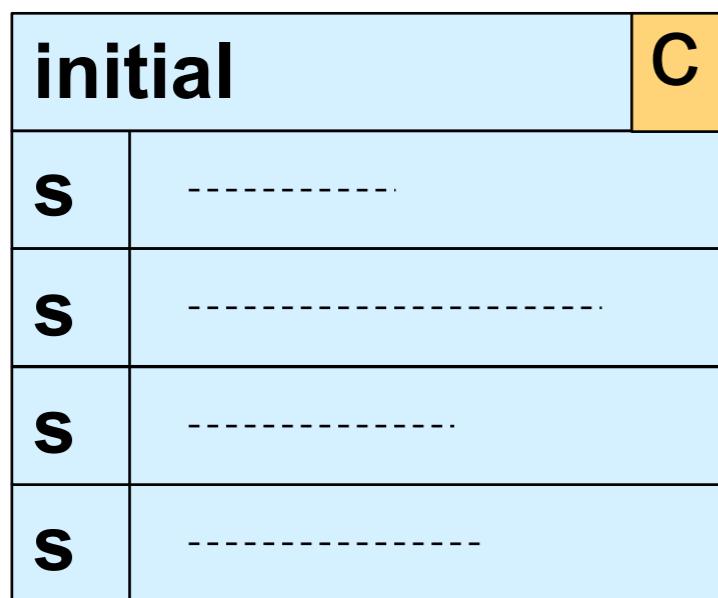
- A higher level of abstraction than the gate-level modeling
- The expression that can be used in continuous assignment is dataflow modeling

- **Behavioral modeling**

- Algorithmic approach to hardware implementation
- The constructs in behavioral modeling closely resemble those used in the C programming language
- The behavior of the design is described using procedural blocks (**initial** and **always** statement)

Procedure Blocks (1 / 2)

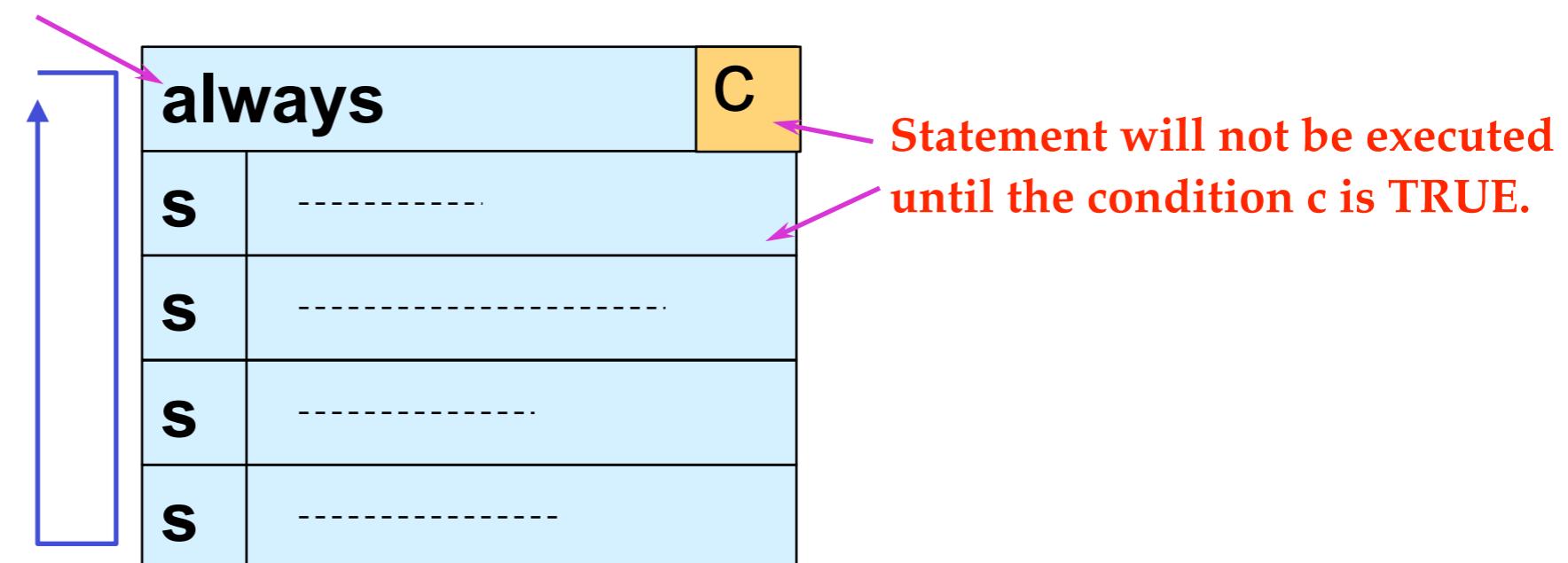
- Basis of behavioral modeling
- Two types
 - **initial**: execute only once
 - **always**: execute in a loop



Procedure Blocks (2/2)

- All procedure blocks are activated at simulation time 0
 - The block will not be executed until the enabling condition evaluates TRUE
 - Without the enabling condition, the clock will be executed immediately

Activated at simulation time 0



Procedure Assignments

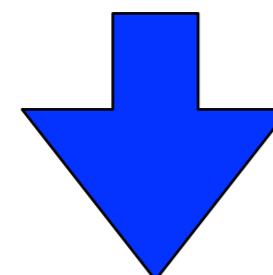
- **Blocking assignments (=)**
 - The assignment completes execution before the next statement executes
- **Non-block assignments (<=)**
 - Allow the scheduling of assignments without blocking execution of the following statements in a **sequential** procedure block
 - To synchronize assignment statements so that they appear to execute at the same time

Blocking v. Non-blocking Assignments

```
always @(posedge clk)
  x1 = x2;
```

```
always @(posedge clk)
  x2 = x3;
```

Racing condition



```
always @(posedge clk)
  x1 <= x2;
```

```
always @(posedge clk)
  x2 <= x3;
```

Conditional Statements

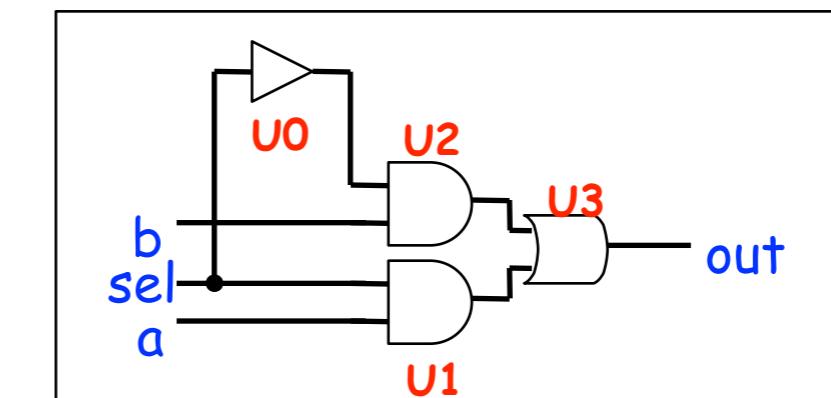
- **if-else** statement

- Not for large MUXs (synthesizable)

```
module SMUX(out,a,b,sel)
output out;
input a,b,sel;
```

```
always @(sel or a or b)
  if (sel)
    out = a;
  else
    out = b ;
```

```
endmoudle
```



```
if (cond0)
  exp1;
else if (cond1)
  exp2;
else if (cond2)
  exp3;
else
  exp4;
```

Case Statements

- **case statement**

- Usually for large MUXs (synthesizable)

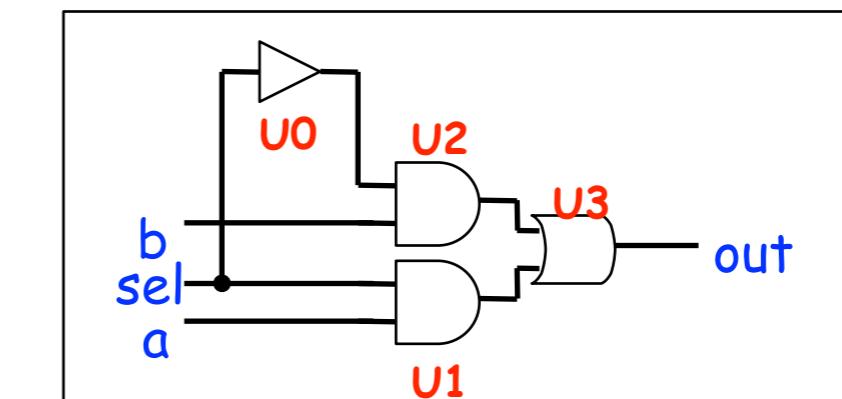
```

module SMUX(out,a,b,sel);
  output out;
  input a,b,sel;

  always @(sel or a or b)
    case (sel)
      1'b0: out = b;
      1'b1: out = a;
      default: out = a;
    endcase

endmodule

```



Loop Statements

- Two meanings
 - For testbench: repeated execution of procedural statements
 - For synthesis: multiple of building blocks
- Four types of loop statements
 - for
 - while
 - repeat
 - forever
- Must be placed within an **initial** or **always** block

Loop Statements

```
for (initial control variable assignment; test expression; control variable assignment)  
    procedural statement or block of procedural statements
```

```
while (expression)  
    procedural statement or block of procedural statements
```

```
repeat (loop count expression)  
    procedural statement or block of procedural statements
```

```
forever  
    procedural statement
```

4-bit + 4-bit Ripple Carry Adder

```
module rca(
    s, // sum
    a, // input a
    b, // input b
    ci // carry input
);

output [4:0] s;
input [3:0] a, b;
input ci

assign s = a + b + ci;

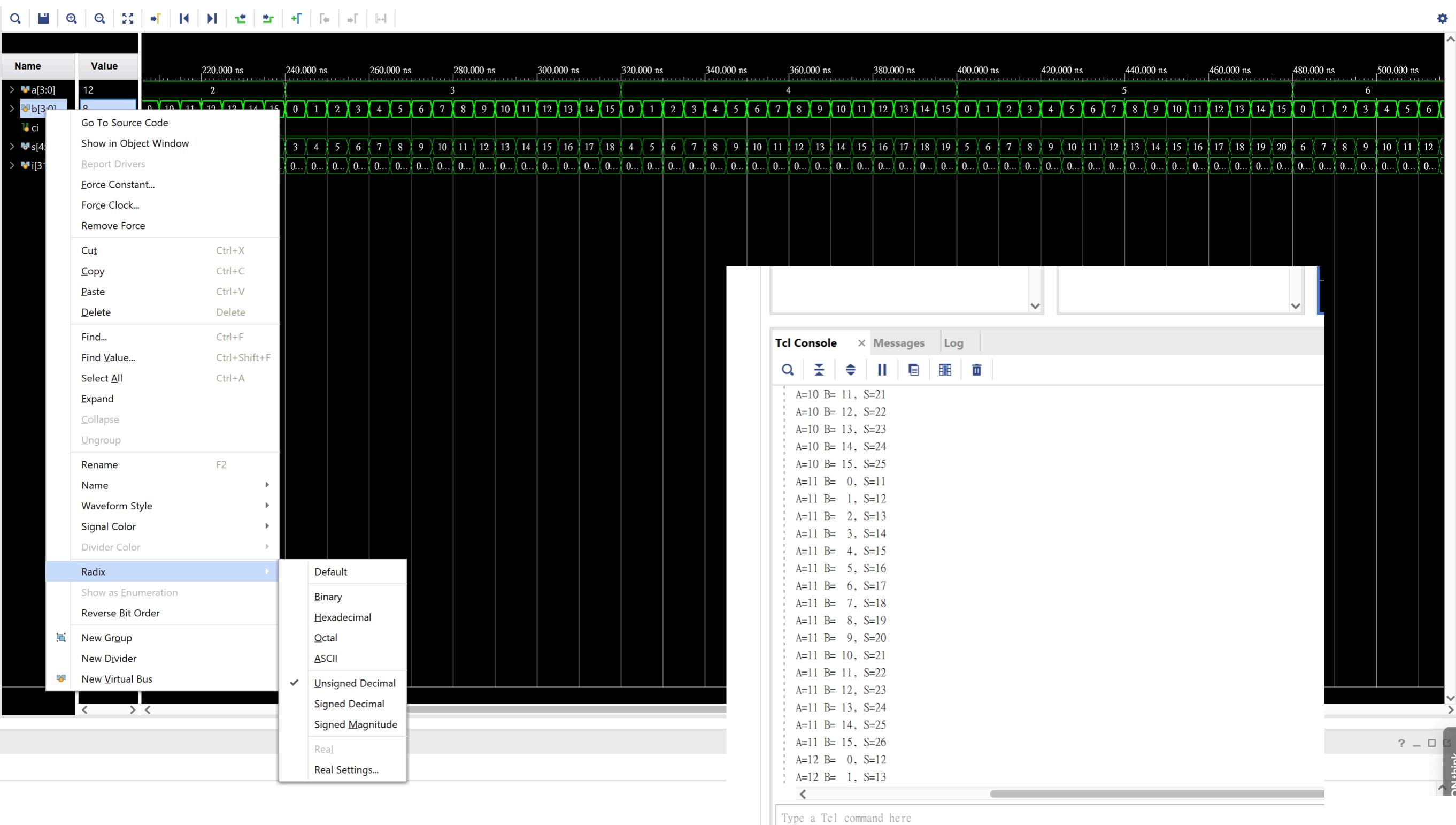
endmodule
```

```
module t_rca;
wire [4:0] s;
reg [3:0] a, b;
reg ci;
integer i;

rca U0(.s(s),.a(a),.b(b),.ci(ci));

initial
begin
    ci=0;
    $monitor("A=%d B= %d, S=%d", a, b, s);
    for (i=0;i<256;i=i+1)
    begin
        {a,b} = i;
        #5;
    end
end
endmodule
```

Simulation Results



Binary Up Counter

```

`define CNT_BIT_WIDTH 4
module bincnt(
    q, // output
    clk, // global clock
    rst_n // active low reset
);

output [`CNT_BIT_WIDTH-1:0] q; // output
input clk; // global clock
input rst_n; // active low reset

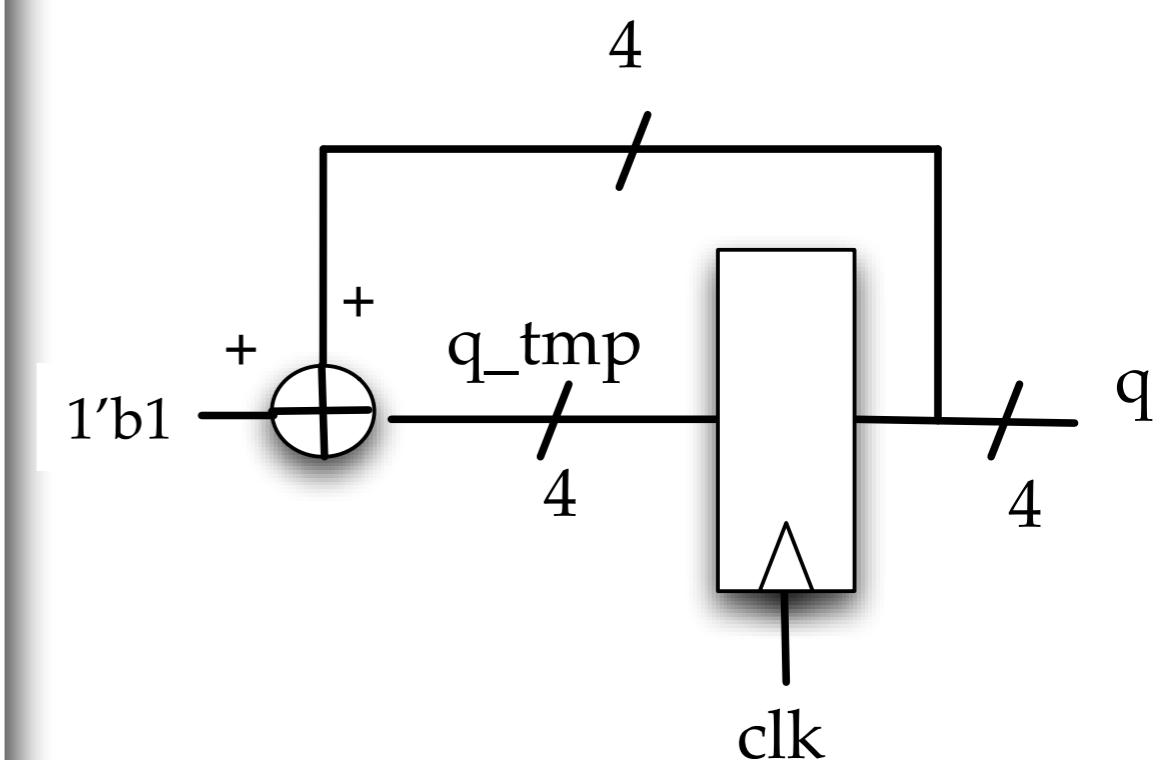
reg [`CNT_BIT_WIDTH-1:0] q; // output (in always block)
reg [`CNT_BIT_WIDTH-1:0] q_tmp; // input to dff (in always block)

// Combinational logics
always @*
    q_tmp = q + 1'b1;

// Sequential logics: Flip flops
always @(posedge clk or negedge rst_n)
    if (~rst_n) q<=`CNT_BIT_WIDTH'd0;
    else q<=q_tmp;

endmodule

```



Frequency Divider

```

`define FREQ_DIV_BIT 27
module freqdiv(
  clk_out, // divided clock output
  clk, // global clock input
  rst_n // active low reset
);
  output clk_out; // divided output
  input clk; // global clock input
  input rst_n; // active low reset

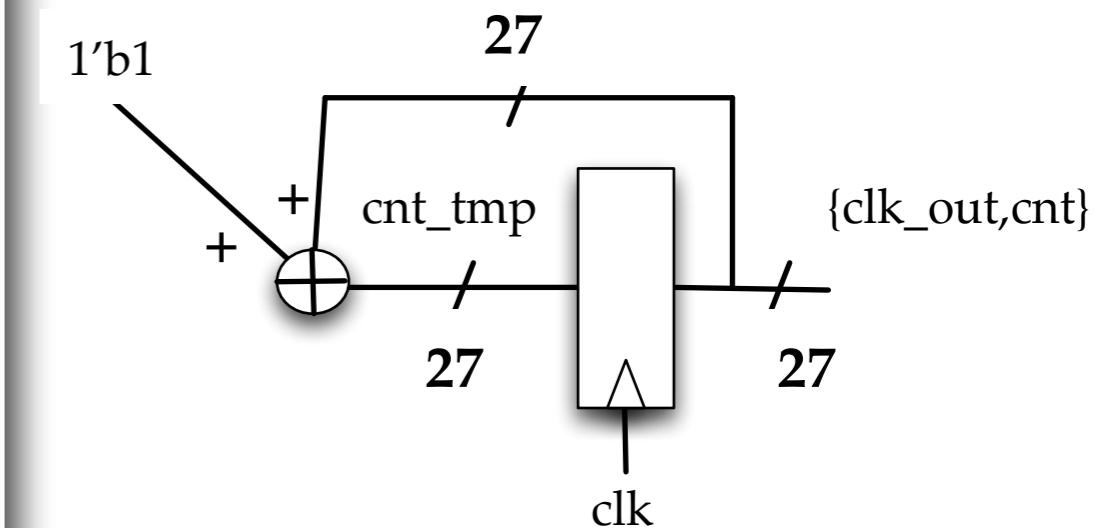
  reg clk_out; // clk output (in always block)
  reg [`FREQ_DIV_BIT-2:0] cnt; // remainder of the counter
  reg [`FREQ_DIV_BIT-1:0] cnt_tmp; // input to dff (in always
  block)

  // Combinational logics: increment, neglecting overflow
  always @*
    cnt_tmp = {clk_out,cnt} + 1'b1;

  // Sequential logics: Flip flops
  always @(posedge clk or negedge rst_n)
    if (~rst_n) {clk_out, cnt}<=`FREQ_DIV_BIT'd0;
    else {clk_out,cnt}<=cnt_tmp;

endmodule

```



cnt_tmp[26:0]

cnt[25:0]

Frequency Divider

```

`define FREQ_DIV_BIT 27
module freqdiv27(
  clk_out, // divided clock output
  clk_ctl, // divided clock output for scan freq
  clk, // global clock input
  rst_n // active low reset
);

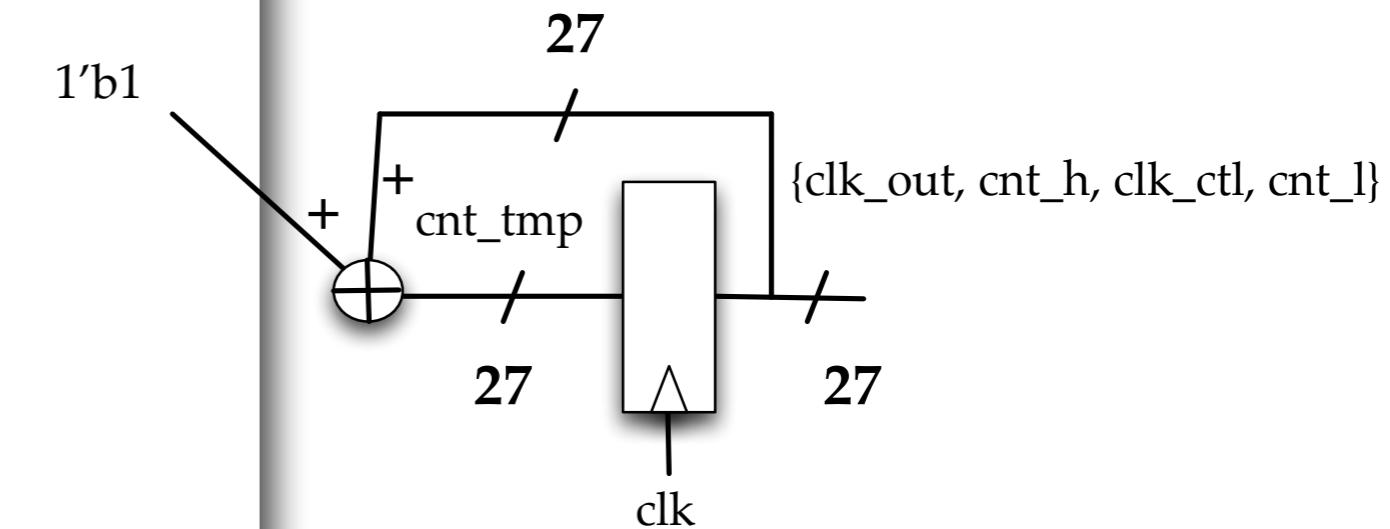
output clk_out; // divided output
output [1:0] clk_ctl; // divided output for scan freq
input clk; // global clock input
input rst_n; // active low reset

reg clk_out; // clk output (in always block)
reg [1:0] clk_ctl; // clk output (in always block)
reg [14:0] cnt_l; // temp buf of the counter
reg [8:0] cnt_h; // temp buf of the counter
reg [`FREQ_DIV_BIT-1:0] cnt_tmp; // input to dff (in always block)

// Combinational logics: increment, neglecting overflow
always @*
  cnt_tmp = {clk_out,cnt_h,clk_ctl,cnt_l} + 1'b1;

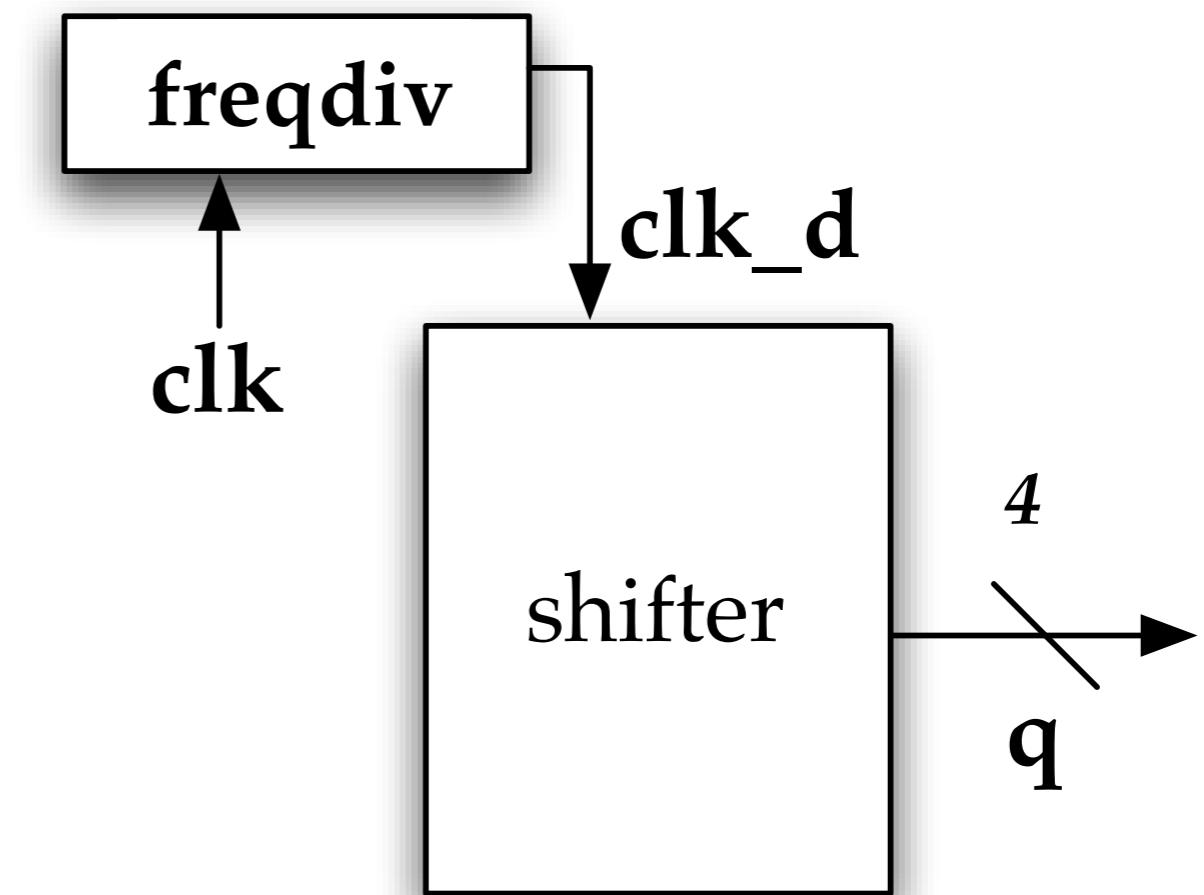
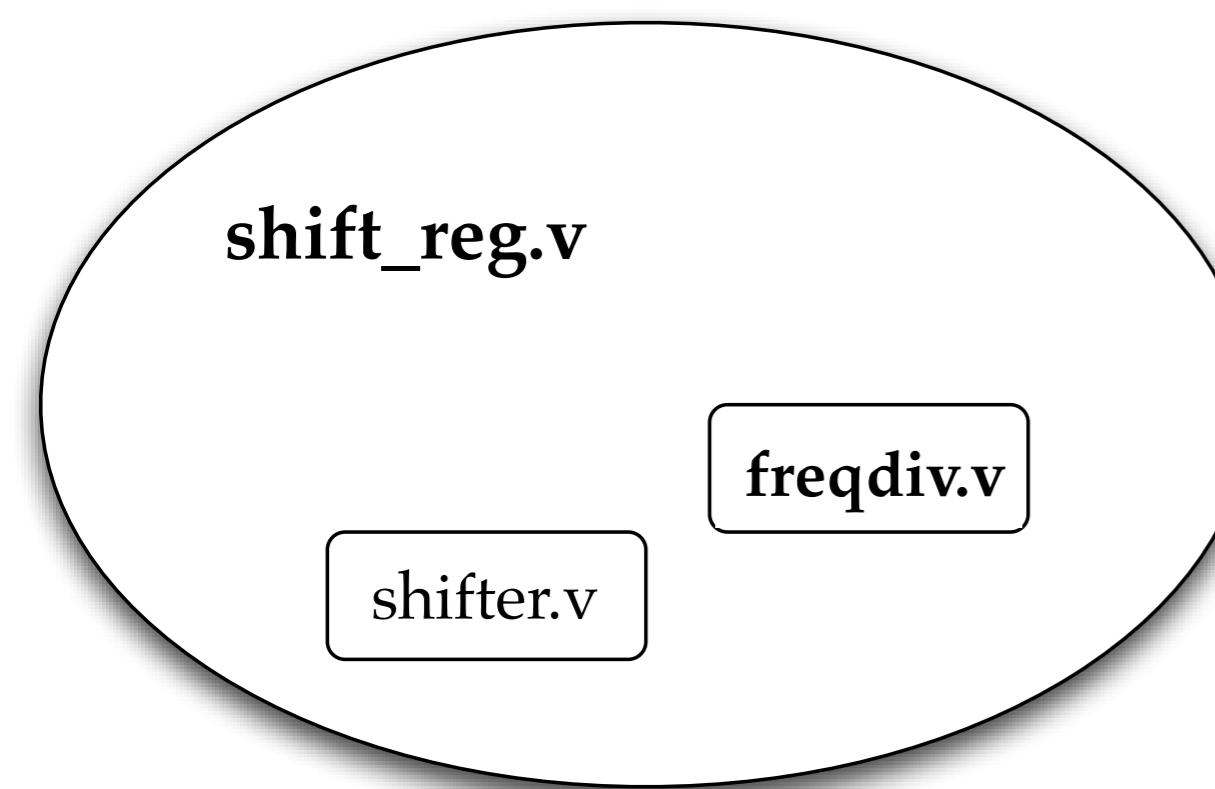
// Sequential logics: Flip flops
always @(posedge clk or negedge rst_n)
  if (~rst_n) {clk_out, cnt_h, clk_ctl, cnt_l}<=`FREQ_DIV_BIT'd0;
  else {clk_out,cnt_h, clk_ctl, cnt_l}<=cnt_tmp;

endmodule
  
```



Modularized Shift Register

Shift Register



```

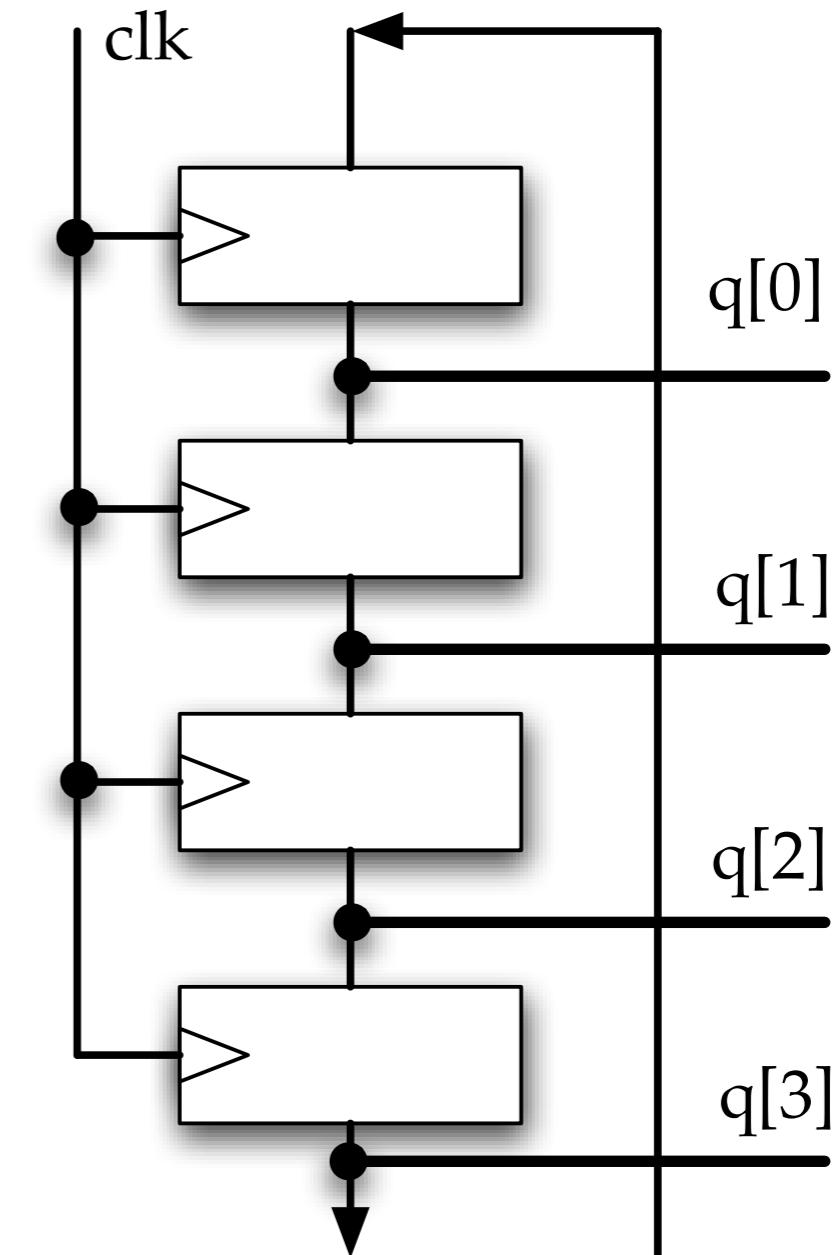
`define BIT_WIDTH 4
module shifter(
  q, // shifter output
  clk, // global clock
  rst_n // active low reset
);

output [`BIT_WIDTH-1:0] q; // output
input clk; // global clock
input rst_n; // active low reset

reg [`BIT_WIDTH-1:0] q; // output

// Sequential logics: Flip flops
always @(posedge clk or negedge rst_n)
  if (~rst_n)
    begin
      q<=`BIT_WIDTH'b0001;
    end
    else
      begin
        q[0]<=q[3];
        q[1]<=q[0];
        q[2]<=q[1];
        q[3]<=q[2];
      end
  end
endmodule
  
```

shifter.v



Top Module (shift_reg.v)

```

`define BIT_WIDTH 4
module shift_reg(
  q, // LED output
  clk, // global clock
  rst_n // active low reset
);

output [`BIT_WIDTH-1:0] q; // LED output
input clk; // global clock
input rst_n; // active low reset

wire clk_d; // divided clock
wire [`BIT_WIDTH-1:0] q; // LED output
  
```

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```

// Insert frequency divider (freq_div.v)
freqdiv U_FD(
  .clk_out(clk_d), // divided clock output
  .clk(clk), // clock from the crystal
  .rst_n(rst_n) // active low reset
);
  
```

```

// Insert shifter (shifter.v)
shifter U_D(
  .q(q), // shifter output
  .clk(clk_d), // clock from the frequency divider
  .rst_n(rst_n) // active low reset
);
  
```

endmodule

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shift_reg.xdc

```
# Clock
set_property PACKAGE_PIN W5 [get_ports {clk}]
set_property IOSTANDARD LVCMOS33 [get_ports {clk}]

# active low reset
set_property PACKAGE_PIN V17 [get_ports {rst_n}]
set_property IOSTANDARD LVCMOS33 [get_ports {rst_n}]

# LEDs
set_property PACKAGE_PIN U16 [get_ports {q[0]}]
set_property IOSTANDARD LVCMOS33 [get_ports {q[0]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN E19 [get_ports {q[1]}]
set_property IOSTANDARD LVCMOS33 [get_ports {q[1]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN U19 [get_ports {q[2]}]
set_property IOSTANDARD LVCMOS33 [get_ports {q[2]}]
set_property PACKAGE_PIN V19 [get_ports {q[3]}]
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