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SystemVerilog HDL

- SystemVerilog is a hardware description language that allows the specification of logic functions using high level abstractions
- Modules are blocks of hardware with inputs and outputs
- Example:

```
module basic_logic(input logic a, b, // logic: type - indicates boolean variables
                   output logic w, x, y, z);
    // All these things happen at the same time -- not sequentially
    // assign: describes combinational logic
    assign w = a & b; // bitwise AND
    assign x = a | b; // bitwise OR
    assign y = ~a; // bitwise NOT
    assign z = a ^ b; // bitwise OR
endmodule
```

- Modules are not functions – they cannot call themselves

Multiplexers (Mux)

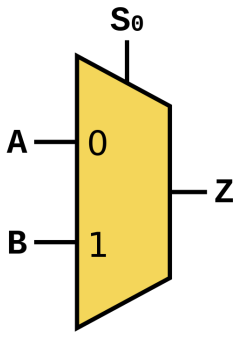

Figure 1: 2 to 1 multiplexer symbol

- A circuit that has an output f, controlled by either of two inputs x, y, based on an input s
  - If s is 0, then f is controlled by x, else y
- Truth table:

sxy	f
000	0
001	0
010	1
011	1
100	0
101	1
110	0
111	1

- Verilog:

```
module mux2to1(input logic x, y, s,
               output logic f);
```

```
    assign f = (~s & x) | (s & y);
endmodule
```

- Muxes can be extended to multiple inputs, and also multi-bit signals (buses)
  - A slash with a number is drawn on a wire to indicate that it is a bus
- Example: 2-bit mux
  - x and y are now 2-bit buses
  - Implemented with 2 muxes

```
module mux2to1_2bit(input logic [1:0] x, y, // The [1:0] indicates a 2-bit bus
                    input logic s,
                    output logic [1:0] f);
    // Note we cannot use a single assign statement
    // since s is a scalar, x is a vector, so s & x would be a mismatch
    assign f[1] = (~s & x[1]) | (s & y[1]);
    assign f[0] = (~s & x[0]) | (s & y[0]);
endmodule
```

Adders

- Half adder: adding two one-bit numbers
  - Max result can be 2, so output from the half adder is 2 bits s_1, s_0
- $s_1 = ab, s_2 = a \oplus b$ where $\oplus$ is the XOR operator

```
module ha(input logic a, b,
          output logic [1:0] s);
    assign s[1] = a & b;
    assign s[0] = a ^ b;
endmodule
```

- Full adder: includes a carry input
  - Adding multiple bits involves inputs a_i, b_i and also a carry c_i
  - Each column (except for the rightmost bit) adds 3 bits (2 inputs plus a carry)
  - Leftmost column produces a c_{out}

c_i a_i b_i	c_{i+1}	s_i
000	0	0
001	0	1
010	0	1
011	1	0
100	0	1
101	1	0
110	1	0
111	1	1

- $c_{i+1} = c_i a_i + c_i b_i + a_i b_i$ (carry is 1 if at least 2 inputs are 1, aka a *majority function*), $s_i = a_i \oplus b_i \oplus c_i$
  - s_i is a three-input XOR, equivalent to $(a_i \oplus b_i) \oplus c_i$, which produces 1 if an odd number of inputs is 1 (aka an *odd function*)
- The carry-out of each full adder is connected to the carry-in of the next bit (known as a ripple carry adder)
- Verilog:

```
// Single bit full adder module
module fa(input logic a, b, cin,
          output logic s, cout);
    assign s = a ^ b ^ cin;
```

```
    assign cout = (cin & a) | (cin & b) | (a & b);
endmodule
```