

EEL 4712
Midterm 1 – Spring 2014
VERSION 1

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IMPORTANT:

- Please be neat and write (or draw) carefully. If we cannot read it with a reasonable effort, it is assumed wrong.
- **As always, the best answer gets the most points.**

COVER SHEET:

Problem#:	Points
1 (15 points)	
2 (7 points)	
3 (15 points)	
4 (6 points)	
5 (6 points)	
6 (20 points)	
7 (10 points)	
8 (16 points)	
9 (5 points)	5

Total:

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ENTITY _entity_name IS
PORT(_input_name, _input_name : IN STD_LOGIC;
      _input_vector_name : IN STD_LOGIC_VECTOR(_high downto _low);
      _bidir_name, _bidir_name : INOUT STD_LOGIC;
      _output_name, _output_name : OUT STD_LOGIC);
END _entity_name;

ARCHITECTURE a OF _entity_name IS
SIGNAL _signal_name : STD_LOGIC;
BEGIN
-- Process Statement
-- Concurrent Signal Assignment
-- Conditional Signal Assignment
-- Selected Signal Assignment
-- Component Instantiation Statement
END a;

-- instance_name: _component_name PORT MAP (_component_port => _connect_port,
-- _component_port => _connect_port);

WITH _expression SELECT
  _signal <= _expression WHEN _constant_value,
  _expression WHEN _constant_value,
  _expression WHEN _constant_value,
  _expression WHEN _constant_value;
  _signal <= _expression WHEN _boolean_expression ELSE
  _expression WHEN _boolean_expression ELSE
  _expression;

IF _expression THEN
  _statement;
  _statement;
ELSIF _expression THEN
  _statement;
  _statement;
ELSE
  _statement;
  _statement;
END IF;

CASE _expression IS
WHEN _constant_value =>
  _statement;
  _statement;
WHEN _constant_value =>
  _statement;
  _statement;
WHEN OTHERS =>
  _statement;
  _statement;
END CASE;

<generate_label>: FOR <loop_id> IN <range> GENERATE
-- Concurrent Statement(s)
END GENERATE;

type array_type is array(_upperbound downto _lowerbound);

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- 1) (15 points) Fill in the following behavioral VHDL to implement the illustrated circuit. Assume that clk and rst connect to every register. All wires and operations are *width* bits. Ignore overflow from the adders.

```

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

entity test1 is
  generic (
    width : positive := 8);
  port (
    clk, rst      : in std_logic;
    in1, in2, in3 : in std_logic_vector(width-1 downto 0);
    out1, out2    : out std_logic_vector(width-1 downto 0));
end test1;

architecture BHV of test1 is
  Signal reg_in1, reg_in2 : std_logic_vector(width-1 downto 0);

begin
  begin
    process(clk, rst)
    begin
      if (rst = '1') then
        reg_in1 <= (others => '0');
        reg_in2 <= (others => '0');
        out2 <= (others => '0');

      elsif (rising_edge(clk)) then
        reg_in1 <= in1;
        reg_in2 <= in3;
        out2 <= std_logic_vector(unsigned(reg_in1) + unsigned(in3));

      end if;
    end process;
    out1 <= std_logic_vector(unsigned(reg_in1) + unsigned(reg_in2));
  end;
end BHV;

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- 2) (7 points) Draw the circuit that will be synthesized from the following sequential logic description.
 You can omit the clk and rst signals. Just show registers and arithmetic operations. For partial credit add signal labels to inputs, outputs, and registers.

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

entity test2 is
  generic (
    width : positive := 8);
  port (
    clk, rst      : in std_logic;
    in1, in2, in3 : in std_logic_vector(width-1 downto 0);
    output        : out std_logic_vector(2*width-1 downto 0));
end test2;

architecture BHV of test2 is

  signal a1, a2 : std_logic_vector(width-1 downto 0);
begin

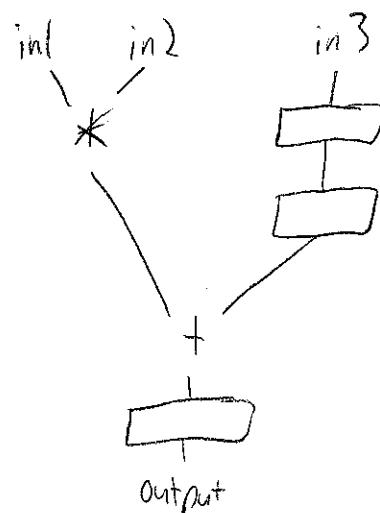
  process(clk, rst)
    variable mult_out : unsigned(2*width-1 downto 0);
  begin
    if (rst = '1') then
      a1 <= (others => '0');
      a2 <= (others => '0');

    elsif (rising_edge(clk)) then
      a1 <= in3;
      a2 <= a1;

      mult_out := unsigned(in1) * unsigned(in2);
      output  <= std_logic_vector(mult_out + unsigned(a2));

    end if;
  end process;
end BHV;

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3) (15 points) Identify the violation of the synthesis coding guidelines for combinational logic.

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

entity combtest is
  port (
    in1 : in std_logic_vector(1 downto 0);
    in2 : in std_logic;
    out1 : out std_logic_vector(3 downto 0);
    out2 : out std_logic_vector(1 downto 0));
end combtest;

architecture BHV of combtest is
begin
  process(in1, in2)
  begin
    case in1 is
      when "00" =>
        out1 <= "0001";
        if (in2 = '1') then
          out2 <= "01";
        end if;

      when "01" =>
        out1 <= "0010";
        if (in2 = '1') then
          out2 <= "10";
        end if;

      when "10" =>
        out1 <= "0100";
        if (in2 = '1') then
          out2 <= "11";
        end if;

      when "11" =>
        out1 <= "1000";
        if (in2 = '1') then
          out2 <= "00";
        end if;

      when others => null;
    end case;
  end process;
end BHV;
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out2 not defined when
in2 = '0'

- 4) (6 points) You are creating a 4-input priority encoder, where for each independent input, the entity produces a unique output with the higher inputs receiving higher priority. E.g. when input(3) and input(1) are both asserted, the output corresponds to input(3).

- a. How many *if-elsif* conditions are required to specify this behavior?

5 (4 input conditions + else)

- b. How many *when* statements within a *case* statement are required?

$2^4 = 16$ different input combinations

possibly 17 if using *when others* ⇒

- 5) (6 points) Describe the compilation error that will occur when synthesizing the following code (there are no syntax errors):

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

entity test is
  port(
    in1, in2      : in  std_logic;
    output       : out std_logic_vector(3 downto 0));
end test;

architecture WITH_SELECT of test is
begin
  with in1 select
    output <= "0000" when '0',
                "0010" when others;

  with in2 select
    output <= "1000" when '0',
                "0110" when others;
end WITH_SELECT;
```

output has multiple drivers

- 6) (20 points) Fill in the provided code to create the illustrated structural architecture using a series of pre-existing A and B components. Use the component declarations for A and B to determine their I/O. Make sure to use the for-generate loop for the four A instances. Make sure to declare any required internal signals.

```

library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;

entity test3 is
  port (
    input : in std_logic_vector(3 downto 0);
    output : out std_logic);
end test3;

architecture STR of test3 is

  component A
    port (
      input : in std_logic;
      output : out std_logic);
  end component;

  component B
    port (
      input : in std_logic_vector(3 downto 0);
      output : out std_logic);
  end component;

  signal temp : std_logic_vector(3 downto 0);

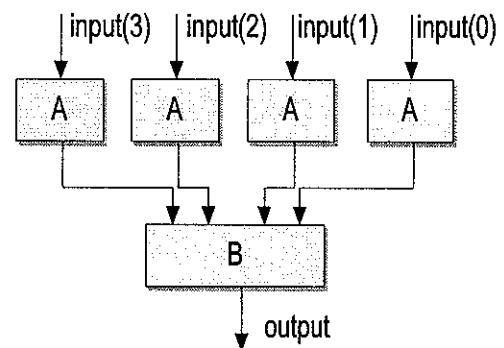
begin

  U_LOOP : for i in 0 to 3 generate
    U_A : A port map (
      input => input(i),
      output => temp(i)
    );
  end generate U_LOOP;

  U_B : B port map (
    input => temp,
    output => output
  );

end STR;

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- 7) (10 points) When doing timing simulations, you use a vho file that defines the same entity as the vhd file.

a. How is the vho file different from the vhd file?

The vho file represents the synthesized circuit

b. What is the purpose of the sdo file?

to specify propagation delays for synthesized signals

- 8) a. (6 points) Define the block generate (BG) output of a 4-bit carry-lookahead adder in terms of the propagate signal (p_i) and generate signal (g_i) of each bit i .

$$BG = g_3 + p_3 g_2 + p_3 p_2 g_1 + p_3 p_2 p_1 g_0$$

- b. (4 points) What practical limitation prevents carry lookahead adders from actually providing a constant propagation delay for different widths?

fan-in limitations

- c. (6 points) True/False. The area requirements of a carry lookahead adder increase linearly with input width.

false

- 9) 5 free points for having to take a test at 8:30am.