# Lab 3 Verilog Synthesis & FSMs

# **1.0 Motivation**

In Lab 1, you became acquainted with Synplify as well as the Xilinx Place and Route tools. In Lab 2, you worked with ModelSim and Verilog to produce a working design. This lab is designed to give you a chance to bring those skills together to design, specify and then implement a fully working Finite State Machine in Verilog, using a combination lock as an example.

For this lab we have given you all of the support modules and design that are necessary. Your job is to take our high level design and translate it into working Verilog. To do this you will need to use good Verilog coding style, acquaint yourself with the Verilog language, and become at least somewhat proficient with the CAD tools.

### 2.0 Introduction

In this lab you will be making a **2-bit, two digit combination lock** such as those sometimes found on secure doors. The inputs to the lock consist of **two code switches** and **three buttons**. The **code switches** (SW9[2:1]) are used to enter the digits in the combination. The three buttons are **Reset** (SW1), which is used to reset the lock, **Enter** (SW2), which is used to enter a digit of the combination, and **ResetCombo** (SW6), which would not be accessible normally and which resets the combination that opens the lock to a default value.

To operate the lock, a user would:

- 1. Set the code on SW9[2:1] to the first digit and press enter (SW2).
- 2. Set the code on SW9[2:1] to the second digit and press enter (SW2).
- 3. The lock will **Open**.
- 4. The user would then **press enter (SW2)**.
- 5. Set the code on SW9[2:1] to the new first digit and press enter (SW2).
- 6. Set the code on SW9[2:1] to the new second digit and press enter (SW2).
- 7. Cycle back to **Step 3** above ...

When someone gets the combo wrong it would go like this:

- 1. Set the code on SW9[2:1] to a wrong digit and press enter (SW2).
- 2. Set the code on SW9[2:1] to any digit (right or wrong) and press enter (SW2).
- 3. The lock will show **Error**
- 4. The lock will stay in this state until the user **presses Reset (SW1)**.

## 3.0 Prelab

Please make sure to complete the prelab before you attend your lab section. You will not be able to finish this lab in 3 hrs otherwise!

- 1. **Read this handout thoroughly**. Pay particular attention to Section **4.0 Lab Procedure** as it describes in detail the circuits you must create.
- 2. Examine the Verilog provided for this weeks lab.
  - a. Most of the modules you have seen before.
  - b. Make sure you **understand FPGA\_TOP2** as it instantiates your module, and **handles the I/O**.
- 3. Write your Verilog ahead of time.
  - a. Lab3Lock.v
    - i. Your lock FSM, which instantiates the comparator
  - b. Lab3Testbench.v
    - i. A testbench for the lock FSM
    - ii. Make sure that this tests as much of the lock and comparator as possible.
    - iii. Refer to **past testbenches** as a starting point.
- 4. You will need the entire 3 hr lab to test and debug your Verilog!
  - a. Remember it has to pass simulation and synthesis

#### 4.0 Lab Procedure

Since we expect you to write your Verilog ahead of time, and Verilog is nothing more than a bunch of standard text in a file with a \*.v extension, you can do this part of the lab entirely from home in your favorite text editor (we recommend notepad). Or you can come into the lab and use the tools there. For those of you who like maintaining a single Xilinx Project Navigator project for each lab, you can even create the project ahead of time and write your Verilog from within Project Navigator.

Remember to **manage your Verilog, projects and folders well**. Doing a poor job of managing your files can cost you **hours of rewriting code**, if you accidentally delete your files.

#### 4.1 Lab3Top

The Lab3Top module is very simple and does not need to contain any behavioral Verilog. The Lab3Top module simply instantiates the Lab3Lock FSM and Lab3Compare modules, and ties them together with the appropriate signals.

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Figure 1: Lab3Top Block Diagram

To simplify the Lab3Lock FSM and make the whole lock design more flexible we have separated the FSM and the comparator, which compares the value on the switches to the digits of the combination. Essentially the code input from the switches is fed into the Lab3Compare module, which determines the Decode1 and Decode2 signals needed by the Lab3Lock FSM. Based on these, and the Enter and Reset buttons, the Lab3Lock tracks its state and generates the appropriate outputs.

Table 1 below shows the inputs and outputs from the Lab3Top module.

| Signal     | Width | Dir | Description   |  |
|------------|-------|-----|---|--|
| Code       | 2     | Ι   | The code value from dipswitch <b>SW9[2:1</b> ]                  |  |
| Enter      | 1     | Ι   | The Enter button (SW2)  |  |
| ResetCombo | 1     | Ι   | Reset the combination to the default (SW6)                      |  |
| Clock      | 1     | Ι   | The Clock signal  |  |
| Reset      | 1     | Ι   | Reset the FSM to the Init state (SW1)                           |  |
| Open       | 1     | 0   | Indicates that the lock is open (OK2 state)                     |  |
| Error      | 1     | 0   | Indicates that the wrong combo was entered (BAD2                |  |
|            |       |     | state)  |  |
| Prog1      | 1     | 0   | Indicates that the lock will accept a new 1 <sup>st</sup> digit |  |
| Prog2      | 1     | 0   | Indicates that the lock will accept a new 2 <sup>nd</sup> digit |  |
| LED        | 8     | 0   | Debug outputs, for your use on the board                        |  |

 Table 1: Port Specification for Lab3Top

#### 4.2 Lab3Lock

In this lab you will be building primarily the Lab3Lock module, a relatively simple FSM. This module is responsible for maintaining the **state of the lock** and generating the **outputs to show the lock's status** to the user.

Below are: a table of the inputs and outputs from the Lab3Lock module and a bubble-and-arc diagram of the finite state machine.

| Signal  | Width | Dir | Description  |
|---------|-------|-----|--|
| Decode1 | 1     | Ι   | Indicates that the switches match the 1 <sup>st</sup> digit of the combo |
| Decode2 | 1     | Ι   | Indicates that the switches match the 2 <sup>nd</sup> digit of the combo |
| Enter   | 1     | Ι   | The Enter button (SW2)   |
| Clock   | 1     | Ι   | The Clock signal   |
| Reset   | 1     | Ι   | Reset the FSM to the Init state (SW1)                                    |
| Open    | 1     | 0   | Indicates that the lock is open (OK2 state)                              |
| Error   | 1     | 0   | Indicates that the wrong combo was entered (BAD2 state)                  |
| Prog1   | 1     | 0   | Indicates that the lock will accept a new 1 <sup>st</sup> digit          |
| Prog2   | 1     | 0   | Indicates that the lock will accept a new 2 <sup>nd</sup> digit          |
| LED     | 8     | 0   | Debug outputs, for your use on the board                                 |

Table 2: Port Specification for Lab3Lock



Figure 2: Bubble-and-Arc Diagram for Lab3Lock

Notice that Figure 2 uses some **shorthand notation**. First, there are no arcs labeled **Reset**. That is because a high on the **Reset** input will **ALWAYS return the FSM to the Init state**. Also of note is the output specifications in []s, where only the outputs which are actually **asserted in a given state** are shown.

#### 4.3 Lab3Compare

You should keep in mind that this module has been built for you. We are providing this documentation to make the operation of this module very clear.

It is the responsibility of the Lab3Compare module to generate the Decode1 and Decode2 signals, which indicate that the Code input matches the  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  digits of the combination respectively. Therefore the Lab3Compare module is essentially a pair of combinational comparators.

However to make the combination on our lock programmable, this module has a pair of registers to remember what the  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  digits of the combination actually are. To set up a default combination the ResetCombo input will forcibly set these registers to 2'b11 and 2'b01 respectively.

In order to program new combinations, when the Prog1 and Enter signals are high, the register for the  $1^{st}$  digit will store whatever value is on the Code input as the new  $1^{st}$  digit. Similarly, when the Prog2 and Enter signals are high the register for the  $2^{nd}$  digit will store the new  $2^{nd}$  digit.

| Signal  | Width | Dir | Description   |  |
|---------|-------|-----|---|--|
| Code    | 2     | Ι   | The code value from dipswitch <b>SW9[2:1</b> ]                        |  |
| Decode1 | 1     | 0   | Indicate that that Code matches the 1 <sup>st</sup> digit of the lock |  |
| Decode2 | 1     | 0   | Indicate that that Code matches the 2 <sup>nd</sup> digit of the lock |  |
| Prog1   | 1     | Ι   | Indicates that the lock will accept a new 1 <sup>st</sup> digit       |  |
| Prog2   | 1     | Ι   | Indicates that the lock will accept a new 2 <sup>nd</sup> digit       |  |
| Enable  | 1     | Ι   | Enable the loading of new combination digits (driven                  |  |
|         |       |     | by the Enter button, SW2)   |  |
| Clock   | 1     | Ι   | The Clock signal  |  |
| Reset   | 1     | Ι   | Reset the combination to 2'b11, 2'b01 (SW6)                           |  |

Table 3: Port Specification for Lab3Compare

# 5.0 Lab 3 Checkoff

| Nam       | e:  | SID: |      |
|-----------|---|------|------|
| Secti     | on:   | SID  |      |
| Ι         | Quality of Verilog<br>1 Lab3Top                           | _    | (8%) |
| II<br>III | 2 Lab3Lock<br>Full Simulation<br>Working Synthesized Lock |      |      |

IV Hours Spent:

- V Total:
- VI TA:

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