Functional Coverage For SystemC (FC4SC)

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What is FC4SC (1)

- C++11 header only library providing functional coverage capabilities
- No dependency on any 3rd party library
- Based on IEEE 1800 2012 SystemVerilog Standard





What is FC4SC (2)

Download library: https://github.com/amiq-consulting/fc4sc

2. Include it in your project:

#include "fc4sc.hpp"

Done!





FC4SC features overview

- Coverage constructs: bin, coverpoint, cross, covergroup
- 2. Coverage options: weight, goal, at_least
- 3. Coverage control: start(), stop()
- 4. Runtime database interrogation
- 5. Database saving
- 6. Database management tools

UCIS DB format





Constructs: bin

Bin: collection of values and intervals

FC4SC

```
bins less_than_8 = {
    1,
    [2:3],
    [4:7]
};
bins split[3] = {
    [0:255]
};

illegal_bins illegal = {10};
ignore_bins ignore = {100};
```





Constructs: coverpoint (1)

- Contains bins with data of interest
- Handles sampling
- illegal bin -> ignore bin -> regular bin

FC4SC

```
COVERPOINT(int, datacp, data)
{
bin<int>("pos", interval( 0, 10)),
bin<int>("neg", interval(-10, 0)),
illegal_bin<int>("zero", 0)
};
```

```
datacp : coverpoint data
{
  bins pos = {[0:10]};
  bins neg = {[-10:0]};
  illegal_bins zero = {0};
}
```





Constructs: coverpoint (2)

FC4SC

SystemVerilog

Sample expression

```
COVERPOINT(int,cp,data*2,flag!=0)
{
    // ...
};

coverpoint (data*2) iff (flag!=0)
{
    // ...
}
```

Sample condition

Both are evaluated at sample point!





Constructs: cross

- Cartesian product of coverpoints' bins
- Behaves the same as a coverpoint in all regards

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```
COVERPOINT(int, cp1, d1) {
   bin<int>("zero", 0),
   bin<int>("positive", 1, 2, 3)
};
COVERPOINT(int, cp2, d2) {
   bin<int>("zero", 0),
   bin<int>("negative", -1, -2, -3)
};
auto cp1_x_cp2 = cross<int,int>(
   "cp1_x_cp2", &cp1, &cp2);
```

```
cp1 : coverpoint d1 {
  bins zero = {0};
  bins positive = {1,2,3};
}
cp2 : coverpoint d2 {
  bins zero = {0};
  bins negative = {-1,-2,-3};
}
cvp1_x_cvp2 : cross cvp1, cvp2;
```





Constructs: covergroup

- Ties together all coverage constructs
- Dispatches sampling data to coverpoints and crosses

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```
class cvg_ex: public covergroup {
public:
   int d1;
   COVERPOINT(int, cp1, d1) {
      bin<int>("zero", 0),
      bin<int>("positive", 1, 2, 3)
   };
   CG_CONS(cvg) {/*constructor*/}
};
```

```
covergroup cvg_ex {
  cp1 : coverpoint d1 {
    bins zero = {0};
    bins positive = {1,2,3};
  }
}
```





Options, Control & DB interrogation (1)

- Options are used for:
 - adjusting coverage distributions
 - setting coverage goals
 - adding comments
- Control: starting and stopping sampling
- DB interrogation (at runtime):
 - getting coverage percentage (type/instance)
 - getting number of hits
- Usable on: covergroup, coverpoint, cross





Options, Control & DB interrogation (2)

```
cvg_ex cvg;  // create
cvg.d1 = 0;  // update d1
cvg.sample();  // sample
EXPECT_EQ(cvg.get_inst_coverage()
, 50);  // 50% covered

cvg.stop();  // stop sampling
cvg.d1 = 2;
cvg.sample();
EXPECT_EQ(cvg.get_inst_coverage()
, 50);  // still 50%
```

```
class cvg_ex: public covergroup
{
public:
    int d1;
    CG_CONS(cvg, int w = 100) {
        this->option.weight = w;
    }
    COVERPOINT(int, cp1, d1) {
        bin<int>("zero", 0),
        bin<int>("positive", 1, 2, 3)
    };
};
```





Database management: creation

 Generate XML, respecting UCIS DB Schema: fc4sc::global::coverage_save("cov_db.xml");

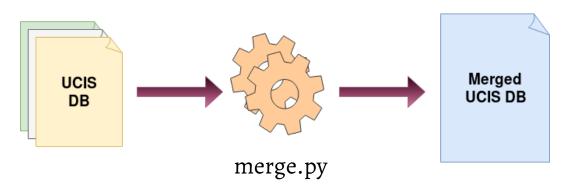
 Reports can be generated at any point during runtime!





Database management: merge

Merge = aggregate the coverage data collected from different executions



\$> python merge.py top/directory merged_db.xml





Database management: reporting

JavaScript app: fc4sc/gui/index.html

/home/drados/Desktop/git/fc Browse... Contents of the file: output_coverage Show full output_coverage_1 Show partial data ready cvp "value" zero 0 1 Show empty 100.00% positive [1:2147483646] 18 75.00% [-2147483647:-1] 5 negative illegal zero 1 Covergroup types output valid cvp "valid" Back to top 50.00% valid 1 24 invalid Θ output coverage



fsm_coverage stimulus_coverage



Roadmap

- 1. Better UCIS DB support
- 2. Default bins
- 3. Transition coverage
- 4. Cross filtering (with)
- 5. Cross bins definition (binsof, intersect)
- 6. Different output formats (Json, XML etc.)





Q & A



