



THE KARNAUGH MAP FOR THREE- VARIABLES

Digital logic design

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Three Variable K-Maps

- A three-variable K-map:

	$\overline{y}\overline{z}=00$	$\overline{y}z=01$	$yz=11$	$y\overline{z}=10$
$\overline{x}=0$	$x'y'z'$ m_0	$x'y'z$ m_1	$x'yz$ m_3	$x'yz'$ m_2
$x=1$	$xy'z'$ m_4	$xy'z$ m_5	xyz m_7	xyz' m_6

3 Variable K-Map:

Simplify the given equation using k-map technique

$$\text{Given: } F = A'B'C' + A'BC' + A'BC + ABC$$

	\overline{BC}	\overline{BC}	BC	BC
\overline{A}	1 ₀	0 ₁	1 ₃	1 ₂
A	0 ₄	0 ₅	1 ₇	0 ₆

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A	0 ₄	0 ₅	1 ₇	0 ₆

$$F = BC + A'C' \rightarrow \text{SOP}$$

3 Variable K-Map:

Obtain the equation from the truth table and simplify it using k-map

Given :

	A	B	C	Y
minterm 0 →	0	0	0	1
minterm 1 →	0	0	1	0
minterm 2 →	0	1	0	1
minterm 3 →	0	1	1	1
minterm 4 →	1	0	0	0
minterm 5 →	1	0	1	0
minterm 6 →	1	1	0	1
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3 Variable K-Map:

Specification Given: Implement Adder that can add three bits (known as full adder)

« Step 1: Number of input=3 and Number of output=2

« Step 2: Drive the truth table

« Step 3: Obtain the equation from the truth table and **simplify it**

	y			
	0	1	0	1
x	1	0	1	0
	z			

$$C = x'y'z + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$$

	y			
	0	0	1	0
x	0	1	1	1
	z			

$$C = xy + xz + yz$$

x	y	z	S	C	minterm
0	0	0	0	0	$x'y'z'$
0	0	1	1	0	$x'y'z$
0	1	0	1	0	$x'yz'$
0	1	1	0	1	$x'yz$
1	0	0	1	0	$xy'z'$
1	0	1	0	1	$xy'z$
1	1	0	0	1	xyz'
1	1	1	1	1	xyz

Step 4: Draw the circuit diagram from simplified expression

3 Variables K-Maps : Grouping of two

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	0	0	0	0
A	0	0	1	1

AB

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	0	0	0	0
A	1	1	0	0

$A\overline{B}$

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	0	0	1	0
A	0	0	1	0

BC

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	0	0	0	0
A	0	1	1	0

AC

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	0	0	0	1
A	0	0	0	1

$\overline{B}C$

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	1	0	0	1
A	0	0	0	0

$\overline{A}C$

3 Variables K-Maps : Grouping of fours

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	0	0	1	1
A	0	0	1	1

B

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	0	0	0	0
A	1	1	1	1

A

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	0	1	1	0
A	0	1	1	0

C

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	1	0	0	1
A	1	0	0	1

\overline{C}

3 Variables K-Maps : Grouping of eight

	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
A	1	1	1	1
A	1	1	1	1

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Combining Squares

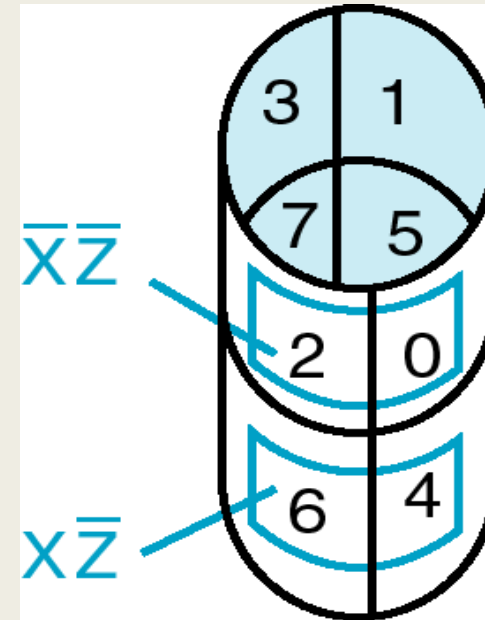
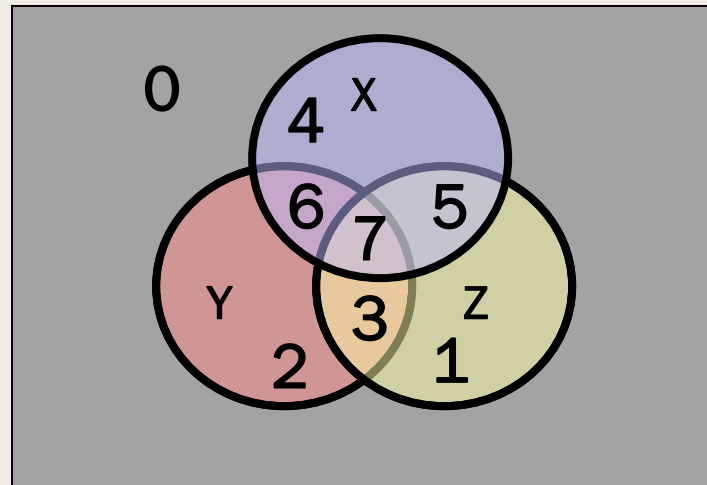
- By combining squares, we reduce number of literals in a product term, reducing the literal cost, thereby reducing the other two cost criteria
- On a 3-variable K-Map:
 - *One square represents a minterm with three variables*
 - *Two adjacent squares represent a product term with two variables*
 - *Four “adjacent” terms represent a product term with one variable*
 - *Eight “adjacent” terms is the function of all ones (no variables) = 1.*

Simplification of SOP expressions using K-map

- Mapping of expression
- Forming of Groups of 1s
- Each group represents product term
- 3-variable K-map
 - *1 cell group yields a 3 variable product term*
 - *2 cell group yields a 2 variable product term*
 - *4 cell group yields a 1 variable product term*
 - *8 cell group yields a value of 1 for function*

Three-Variable Maps

- Topological warps of 3-variable K-maps that show *all* adjacencies:
 - Venn Diagram
 - Cylinder



K-Map Examples

Example 1

- Example 3.1: simplify the Boolean function $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma m(2, 3, 4, 5)$
 - $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(2, 3, 4, 5) = x'y + xy'$

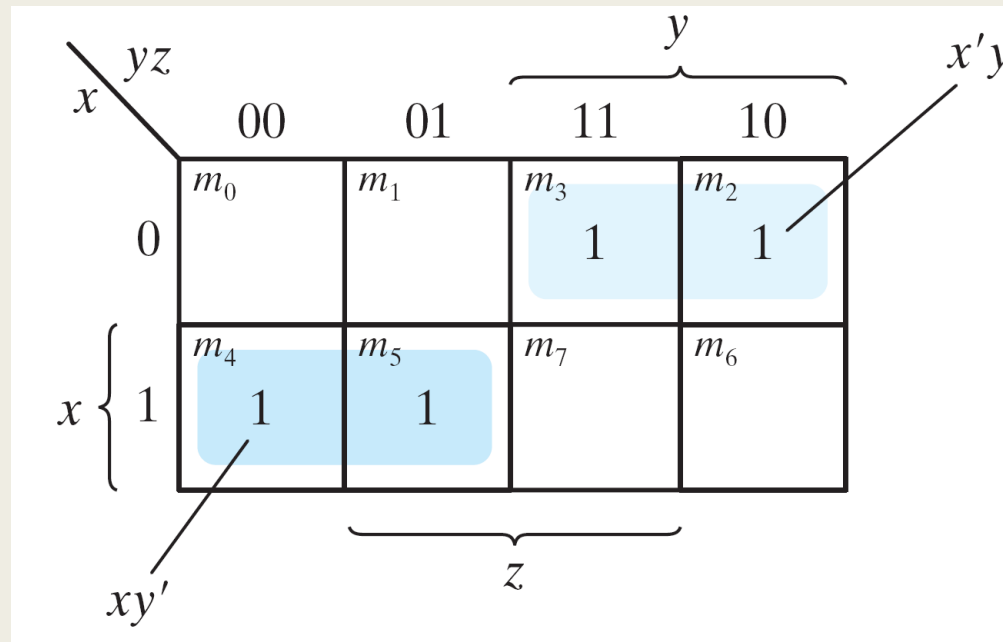


Figure 3.4 Map for Example 3.1, $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(2, 3, 4, 5) = x'y + xy'$

Example 2

- Example 3.2: simplify $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(3, 4, 6, 7)$
 - $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(3, 4, 6, 7) = yz + xz'$

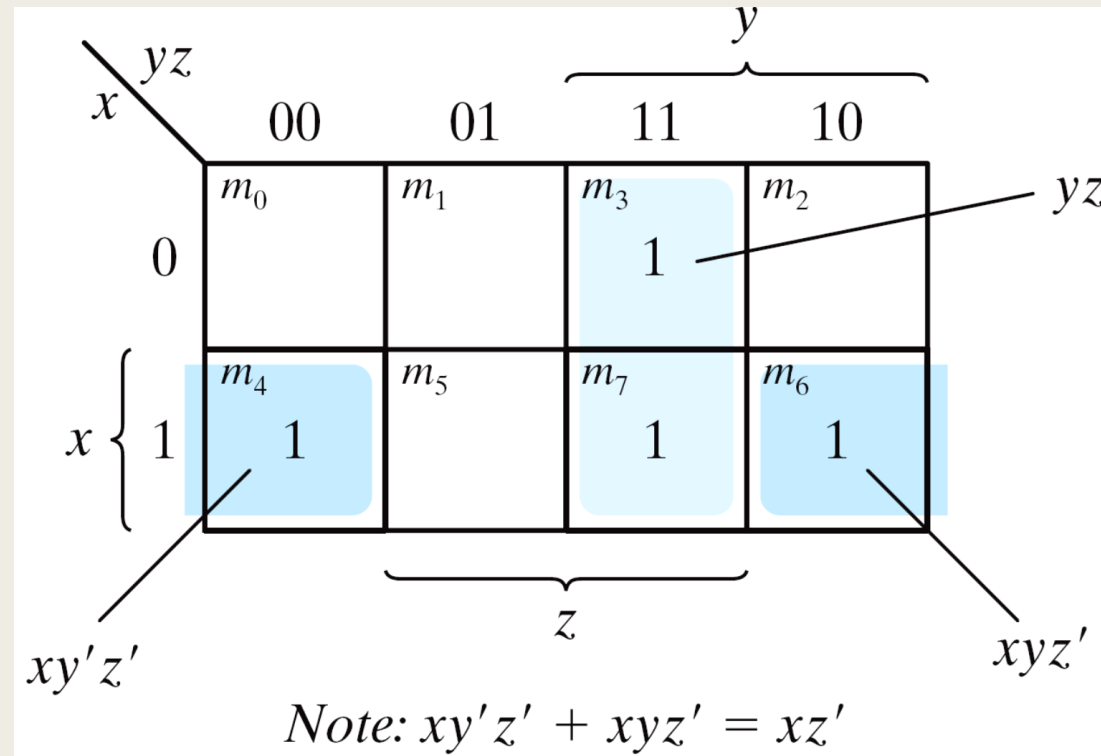


Figure 3.5 Map for Example 3-2; $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(3, 4, 6, 7) = yz + xz'$

Example 3

■ Example 3.3: simplify $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(0, 2, 4, 5, 6)$

- $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(0, 2, 4, 5, 6) = z' + xy'$

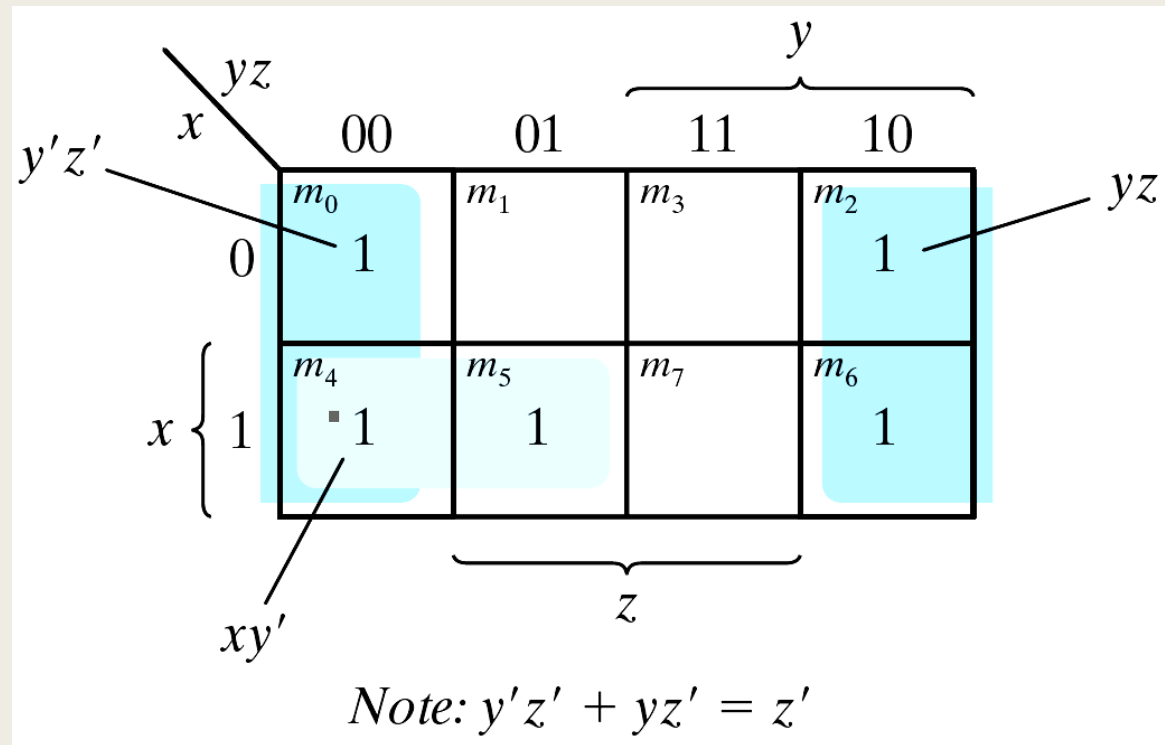


Figure 3.6 Map for Example 3-3, $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(0, 2, 4, 5, 6) = z' + xy'$

Example 4

- Example 3.4: let $F = A'C + A'B + AB'C + BC$

- Express it in sum of minterms.
- Find the minimal sum of products expression.

Ans:

$$F(A, B, C) = \Sigma(1, 2, 3, 5, 7) = C + A'B$$

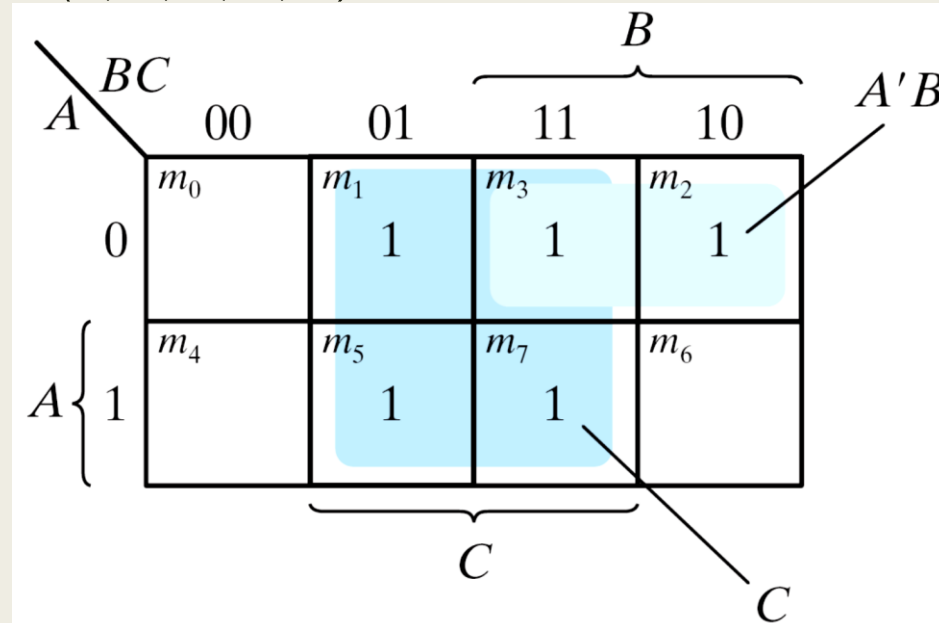


Figure 3.7 Map for Example 3.4, $A'C + A'B + AB'C + BC = C + A'B$

Example 5

- Example: Let

By using k-map:

$$F=y$$

By using the Minimization Theorem/Boolean algebra rules:

$$\begin{aligned} F(x,y,z) &= \bar{x} y z + x y z + \bar{x} y \bar{z} + x y \bar{z} \\ &= yz + y\bar{z} \\ &= y \end{aligned}$$

- Thus the four terms that form a 2×2 square correspond to the term "y".

$F = \Sigma m(2,3,6,7)$		y		
		0	1	3 1
x	4	5	7 1	6 1
	z			

Example 6: If the truth table is given

J	K	L	Z
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

	$\overline{K}\overline{L}$	$\overline{K}L$	$K\overline{L}$	KL
\overline{J}	1	0	1	1
J	0	1	0	0

	\overline{L}	L
\overline{JK}	1	0
JK	1	1
\overline{JK}	0	0
JK	0	1

$$Z = Z_{(J,K,L)} = \overline{J}\overline{L} + J\overline{K} + J\overline{K}L$$

Example 7: If the truth table is given

A	B	C	Z
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

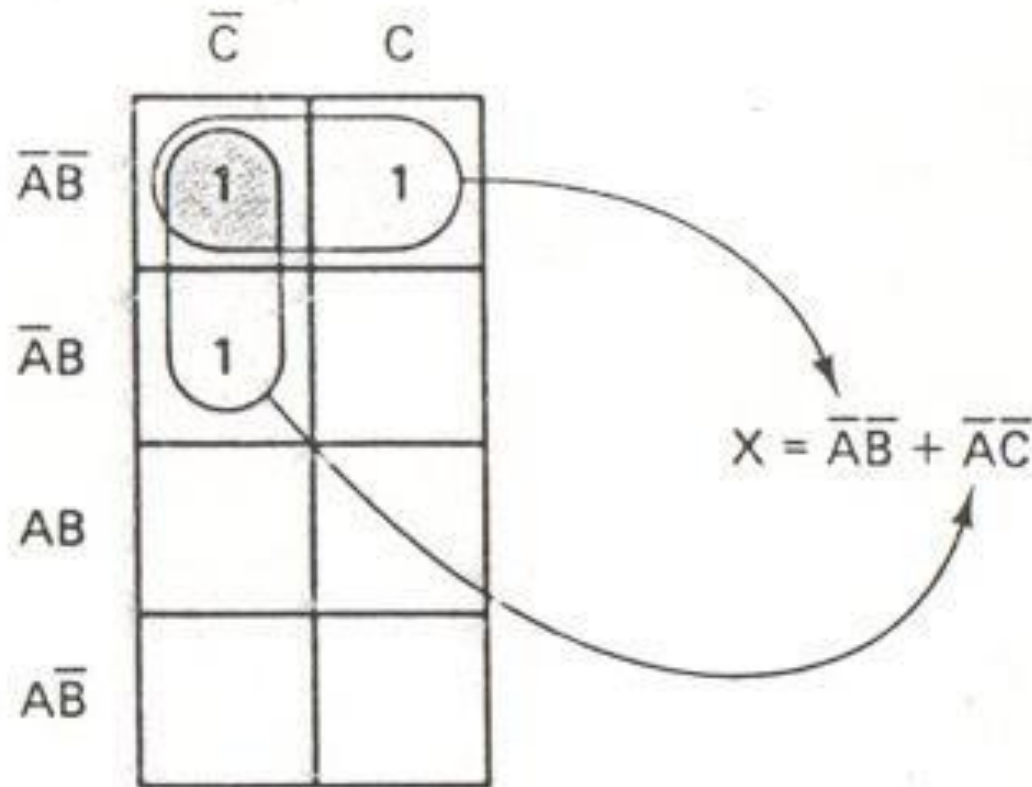
	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}C$	BC	$B\overline{C}$
\overline{A}	1	0	0	0
A	1	1	1	0

	\overline{C}	C
$\overline{A}\overline{B}$	1	0
$\overline{A}B$	0	0
$A\overline{B}$	0	1
AB	1	1

$$Z = Z_{(A,B,C)} = \overline{B}\overline{C} + AC$$

Example 8:k-map

$$X = \bar{A}(\bar{B}C + \bar{B}\bar{C}) + \bar{A}B\bar{C}$$

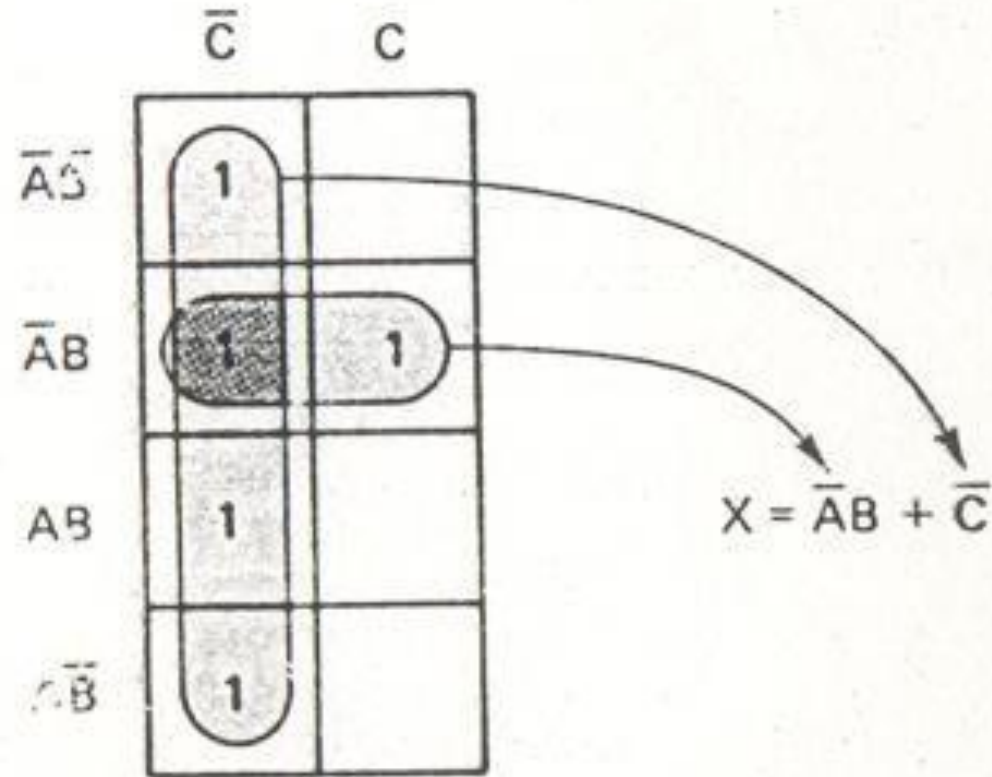


Encircling adjacent cells in a Karnaugh map.

Example 9:k-map

Simplify the following SOP equation using the Karnaugh mapping technique:

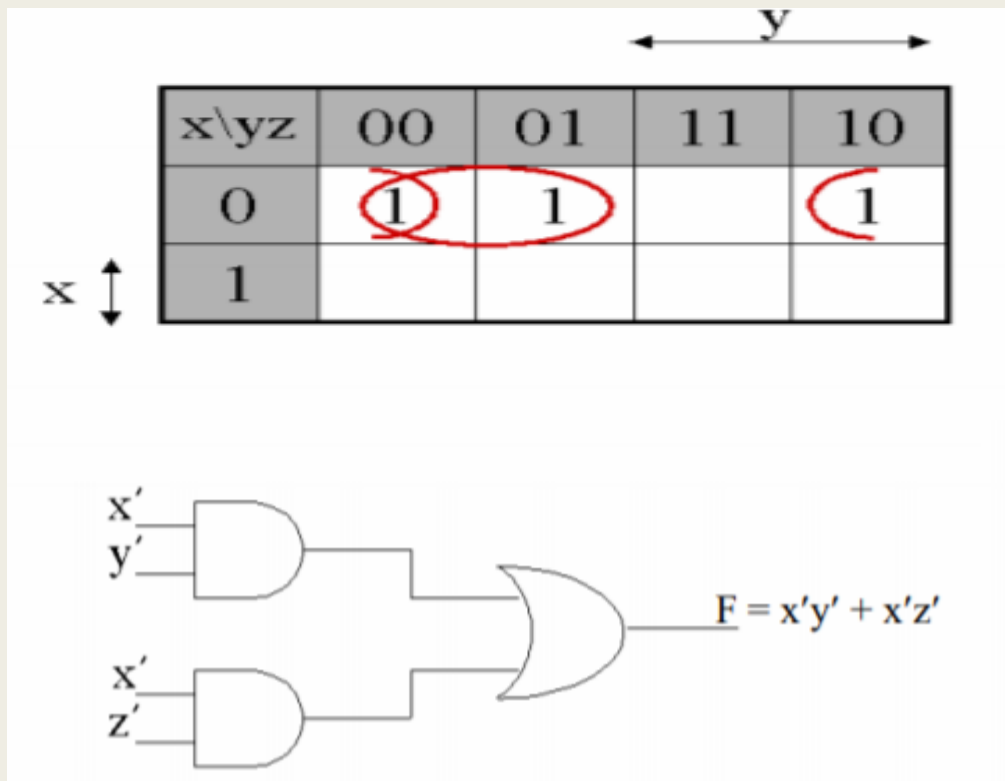
$$X = \bar{A}B + \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C} + AB\bar{C} + A\bar{B}\bar{C}$$



Example 10:k-map

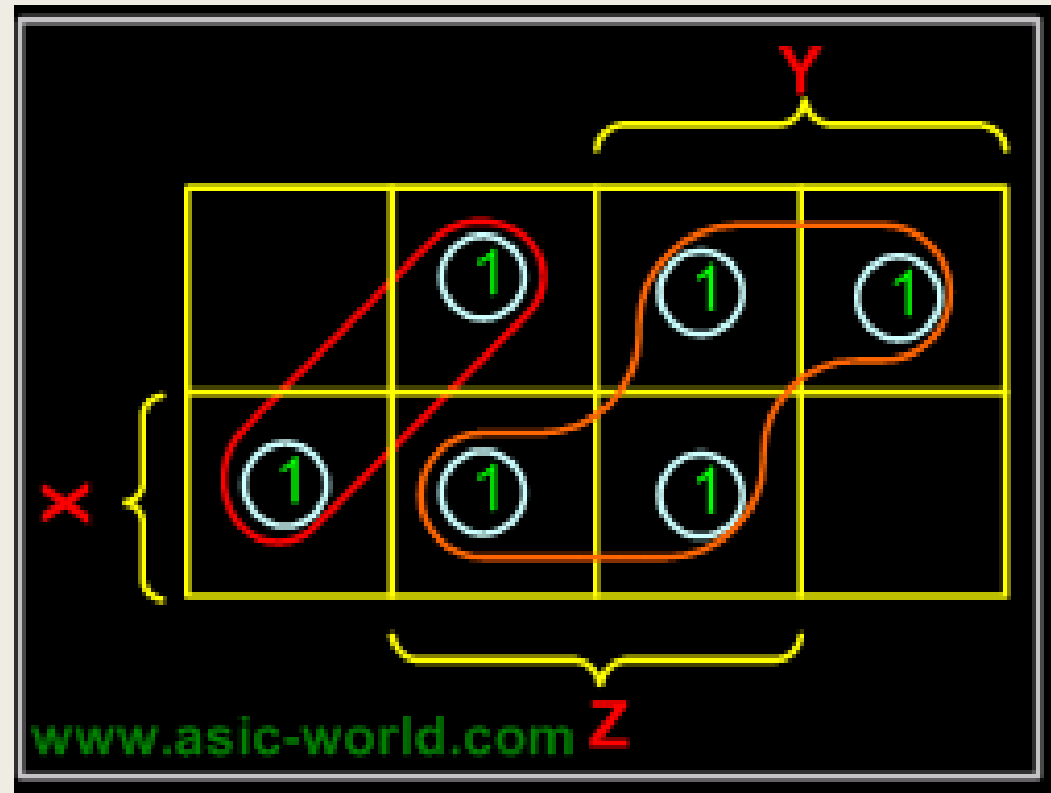
Example: Design a combinational circuit with three inputs and one output. The output is 1 when the binary value of the inputs is less than 3. The output is 0 otherwise.

$$F = x'y'z' + x'y'z + x'yz'$$



x	y	z	F
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

Example of Invalid Groups



Assignment

Three-Variable Map Simplification

Task: Use a K-map to find an optimum SOP equation

A	B	C	Z
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

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\overline{A}				
A				

	\overline{C}	C
$\overline{A}\overline{B}$		
$\overline{A}B$		
$A\overline{B}$		
AB		

Three-Variable Map Simplification

$$F(X, Y, Z) = \Sigma_m(0,1,2,4,6,7)$$

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Thanks