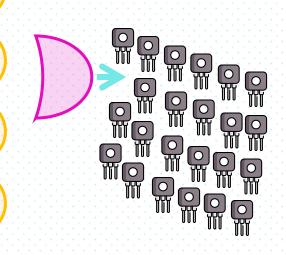
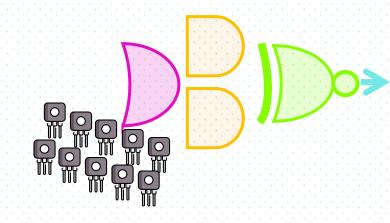
Logic Optimization



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Course Calendar: Where We Are Now

Week	Date	Topic	Activities	Resources
	Monday – March 31	Course Overview – Basic and Combinational Logic	Exit Tickets 1, 2	Mano's Chapter 1
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Wednesday – April 2	Logic minimization (Algebraic Logic Minimization, Karnaugh Map)	Discussion 1 (Basic logic, Boolean Algebra, Truth Tables, SOP, POS) HW 1	
	Monday – April 7	Logic minimization (Re-cap, Multi-level Minimization)	Exit Tickets 3, 4	Mano's Chapter 3.1-3.5
2	Wednesday – April 9	Logic minimization (Re-cap, Multi-level Minimization)	Discussion 2 (Logic minimization practice, Quine–McCluskey) HW 2	Tinder's Chapter 4
	Monday – April 14	Number Systems	Exit Tickets 5, 6	
3	Wednesday – April 16	Transistors to Gates	Discussion 3 (Vivado Design Suite, Verilog) HW 3	
	Monday – April 21	Transistors to Gates	Exit Tickets 7, 8	
4.	Wednesday – April 23	Universal Gates	Discussion 4 (Vivado Design Suite, Verilog) HW 4	
	Monday – April 28	Universal Gates	Exit Tickets 9, 10	
5.	Wednesday – April 30	RTL Combinatorial Components	Discussion 5 (Vivado Design Suite, Verilog, project) HW 5	
	Monday – May 5	RTL Combinatorial Components	Exit Tickets 11, 12	
6	Wednesday – May 7	Programmable Logic Devices	Discussion 5 (Vivado Design Suite, Verilog, project) Mini-project proposal due	
	Monday – May 12	Programmable Logic Devices	Exit Tickets 13, 14	
7	Wednesday – May 14	Memory Element Structures	Discussion 7 (Vivado Design Suite, Verilog, project) HW 6	
	Monday – May 19	Controllers for RTL	Exit Tickets 15, 16	
8	Wednesday – May 21	Controllers for RTL	Discussion 8 (Vivado Design Suite, Verilog, project) HW 7	
	Monday – May 26	RTL Methodology	Exit Tickets 17, 18	
9.	Wednesday – May 28	RTL Methodology	Discussion 9 (Vivado Design Suite, Verilog, project) HW 8	
10	Monday – June 2	Standard Sequential Modules	Exit Tickets 19, 20	
10	Wednesday – June 4	System Design	Projects Presentation	
Final			Final Exam	

Today's Learning Goals: Logic Optimization

- Recap of Algebraic Logic Optimization and Karnaugh Maps
- Multi-Level Optimization

Useful Links / Resources

- Chapter # in Morris Mano's Digital Design: 3.1-3.5 (Algebraic Logic Optimization and Karnaugh Maps)
- Chapter # in Tinder's Engineering Digital Design: 4 (Multi-level Optimization, Efficient Sharing of Logic)
- GitHub (slides): https://github.com/Fasgarinejad/DigitalDesign

Prerequisites:

Basic Logic and Boolean Algebra: Backup Slides: 1-3

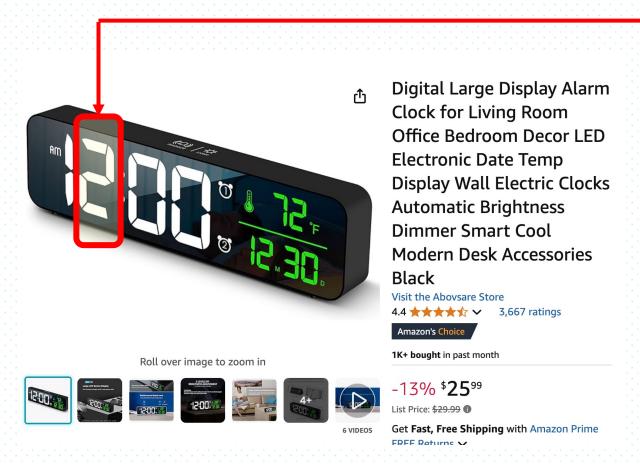
Truth Tables: Backup Slides: 4-6

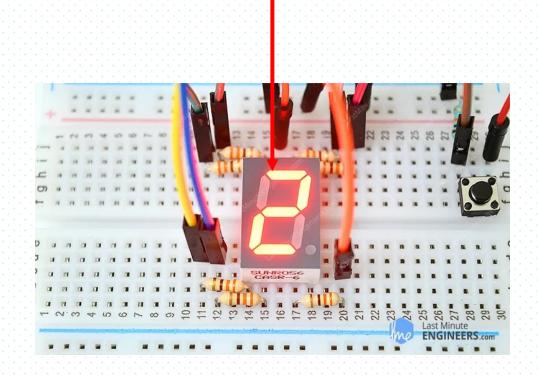
Algebraic Logic Optimization: Recap Slides

Karnaugh Maps: Recap Slides

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Circuits (Seven Segment Display)

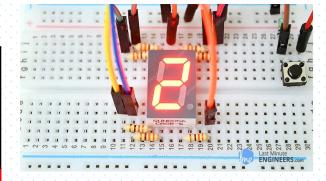


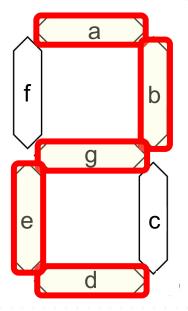


Seven Segment Display Truth Table

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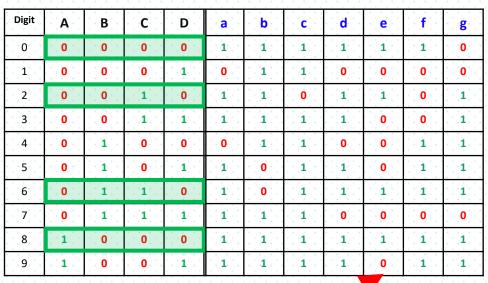
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4	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
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7	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
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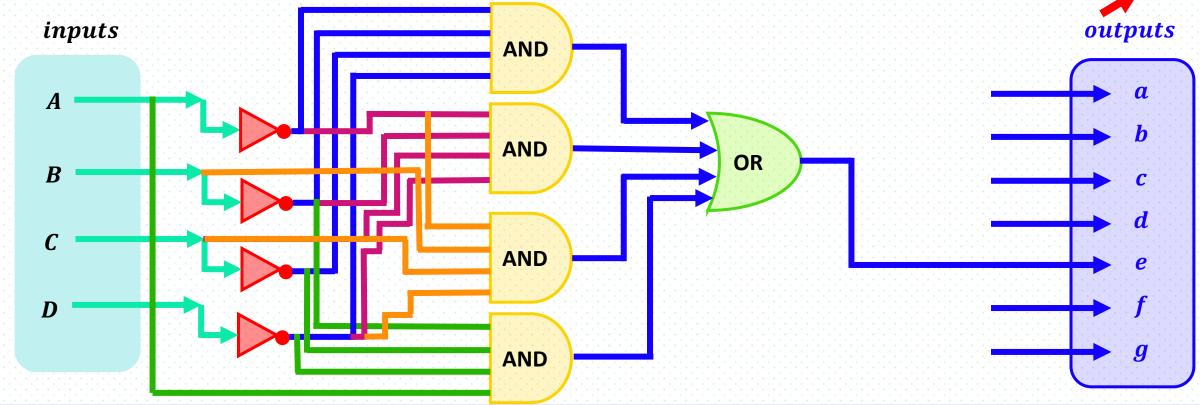




7-Segment Display Logical Circuit with Two Levels

$$e = \overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}\overline{B}C\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D}$$
 SOP (Sum of Products)





Algebraic Logic Optimization with Two Levels

$$e = \overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}\overline{B}C\overline{D} + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D}$$

$$\overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{D}(\overline{C} + C) + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} =$$

$$\overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} =$$

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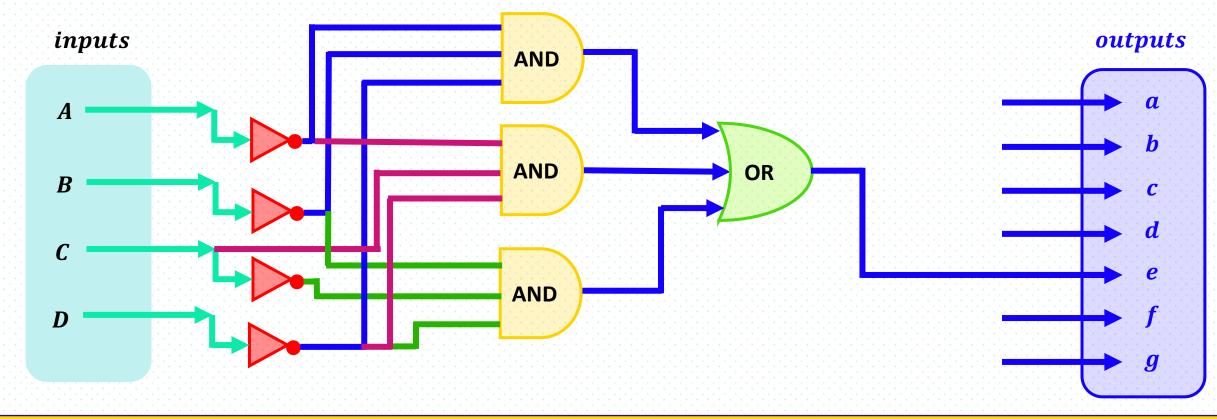
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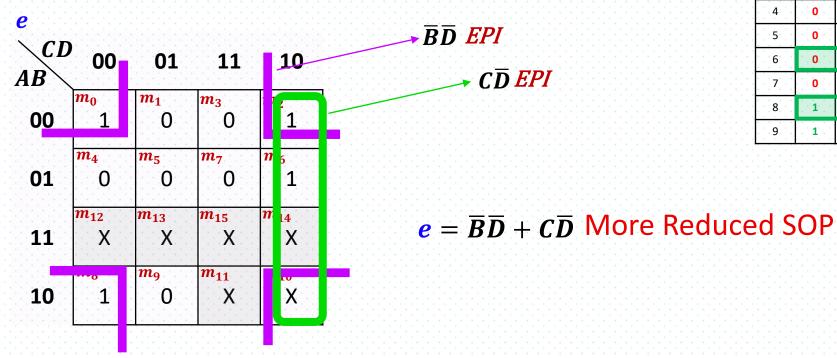
$$\overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{D} + \overline{A}C\overline{D} + \overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} =$$

Algebraic Logic Optimization with Two Levels

$$e = \overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{D} + \overline{A}C\overline{D} + \overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D}$$
 Reduced Sum of Products



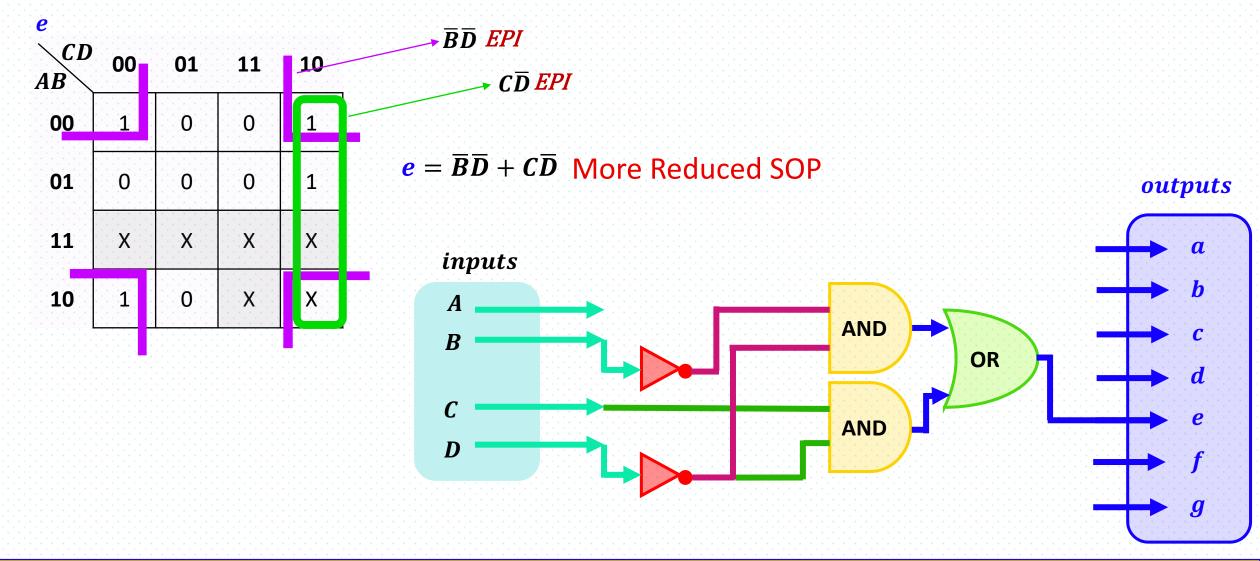
7-Segment Display Karnaugh Map



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7-Segment Display Karnaugh Map



Logic Minimization with Two Levels

In SOP form:

Minimize number of products (reduce gates) and Minimize literals (reduce gate inputs)

In POS form:

Minimize number of sums (reduce gates) and Minimize literals (reduce gate inputs)

$$e = \overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}\overline{B}C\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} \longrightarrow e = \overline{B}\overline{D} + C\overline{D}$$





How many minterms does a 6 variable K-Map have?

Karnaugh Maps or Manual Logic Optimization are impractical, Error-Prone and Tedious for Complex Logic with Various Inputs

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Better Logic Minimization Techniques with Two Levels

Quine-McCluskey (further study Chapter #4.8.1 in Tinder's, backup slides 7,8)

- ✓ Algorithmic and suitable for computer implementation
- ✓ Less error-prone compared to humans
- ✓ Handles more variables than Karnaugh Maps
- ✓ Like Karnaugh Maps find the optimal logic Impractical beyond 10-15 variables (modern digital systems have hundreds of variables)

Espresso (further study Chapter #4.8.3 in Tinder's)
Is Heuristic and finds a near-optimal solution, but it is good enough in many logic synthesis systems (e.g., Intel and AMD use Espresso-based logic minimization)

✓ Handles more variables than Quine–McCluskey

Two level Logic Optimization is simple but impedes re-use of shared logic between different functions and have large fan-in gates and wires, leading to slower and larger circuits

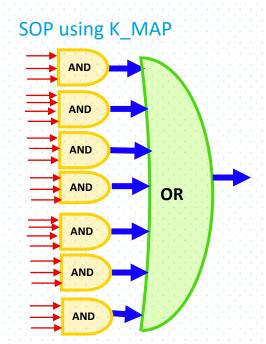
Multi-Level Logic Minimization

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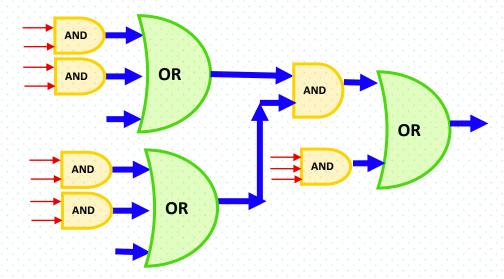
$$F = AB\overline{E} + AB\overline{C}\overline{D} + CD\overline{E} + \overline{A}\overline{C}\overline{E} + \overline{A}\overline{B}CD + \overline{A}\overline{B}E + \overline{C}\overline{D}E$$

With using a multi — level logic minimization, we can get:

$$F = (AB + CD + E)(\overline{AB} + \overline{CD} + \overline{E}) + \overline{ACE}$$



Multi-Level Minimization using Resubstitution Method



Boolean resubstitution method generates multilevel functions that have improved fan-in (hence improved area) requirements.

Our function: $F = AB\overline{E} + AB\overline{C}\overline{D} + CD\overline{E} + \overline{A}\overline{C}\overline{E} + \overline{A}\overline{B}CD + \overline{A}\overline{B}E + \overline{C}\overline{D}E$

- 1 Choose some P based on the common terms in your product-terms in F and sum them
- 2 And each $p-term\ i$ with the chosen P and find Q_i
- 3 Factor out P from all of the p-terms (call the coefficient Q) and sum remaining terms as R

$$F = P.Q + R = P \sum Q_i + \sum R_i$$

$$F = AB\bar{E} + AB\bar{C}\bar{D} + CD\bar{E} + \bar{A}\bar{C}\bar{E} + \bar{A}\bar{B}CD + \bar{A}\bar{B}E + \bar{C}\bar{D}E$$

1 Choose some P based on the common terms in your product-terms in F and sum them:

Common terms in above p-terms are \overline{AB} (2 times), \overline{E} (2 times), \overline{CD} (2 times), \overline{AB} (2 times), \overline{CD} (two times) and \overline{E} (two times)

We arbitrary choose AB + CD + E and set P equal to that:

$$P = AB + CD + E$$

$$F = AB\bar{E} + AB\bar{C}\bar{D} + CD\bar{E} + \bar{A}\bar{C}\bar{E} + \bar{A}\bar{B}CD + \bar{A}\bar{B}E + \bar{C}\bar{D}E$$

2 And each $p-term\ i$ with the chosen P and find Q_i that makes that p-term

$$\begin{array}{lll}
\overline{AB}\overline{E} = P. Q_1 = (\overline{AB} + CD + E). Q_1 & \rightarrow Q_1 = \overline{E} \\
\overline{AB}\overline{CD} = P. Q_2 = (\overline{AB} + CD + E). Q_2 & \rightarrow Q_2 = \overline{CD} \\
\overline{CDE} = P. Q_3 = (\overline{AB} + \overline{CD} + E). Q_3 & \rightarrow Q_3 = \overline{E} \\
\overline{ACE} = P. Q_4 = (\overline{AB} + \overline{CD} + E). Q_4 & \rightarrow R_4 = \overline{ACE} \\
\overline{AB}\overline{CD} = P. Q_5 = (\overline{AB} + \overline{CD} + E). Q_5 & \rightarrow Q_5 = \overline{AB} \\
\overline{AB}\overline{E} = P. Q_6 = (\overline{AB} + \overline{CD} + E). Q_6 & \rightarrow Q_6 = \overline{AB} \\
\overline{CDE} = P. Q_7 = (\overline{AB} + \overline{CD} + E). Q_7 & \rightarrow Q_7 = \overline{CD}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll}
\overline{AB}\overline{CD} = P. Q_1 = (\overline{AB} + \overline{CD} + E). Q_1 & \rightarrow Q_2 = \overline{CD} \\
\overline{AB}\overline{CD} = \overline{AB}\overline{CD} + \overline{CDCD} + \overline{CDCD} + \overline{CDCD} + \overline{CCDD} \\
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$$AB\overline{E} = P.Q_1 = P.\overline{E}$$

$$AB\overline{C}\overline{D} = P.Q_2 = P\overline{C}\overline{D}$$

$$CD\overline{E} = P.Q_3 = P.\overline{E}$$

$$\overline{A}\overline{C}\overline{E} = P.Q_4 = 0.$$

$$R_4 = \overline{ACE}$$

$$\overline{AB}CD = P.Q_5 = P.\overline{AB}$$

$$\overline{AB}E = P.Q_6 == P.\overline{A}\overline{B}$$

$$\overline{CD}E = P.Q_7 = P.\overline{CD}$$

$$\sum \mathbf{Q_i} = (\overline{\mathbf{E}} + \overline{\mathbf{C}}\overline{\mathbf{D}} + \overline{\mathbf{A}}\overline{\mathbf{B}})$$

$$\sum R_i = \overline{ACE}$$

$$P = (AB + CD + E)$$

$$F = P \sum Q_i + \sum R_i = (AB + CD + E) \cdot (\overline{E} + \overline{CD} + \overline{A} \overline{B}) + \overline{ACE}$$

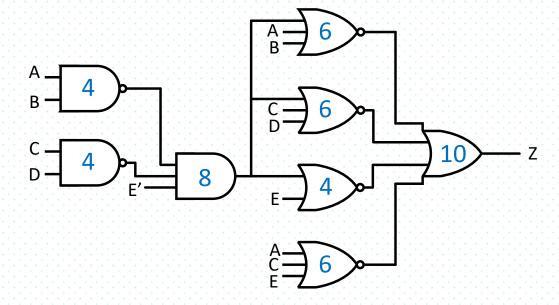
An Enhanced Resubstitution Algorithm for Area-Oriented Logic Optimization

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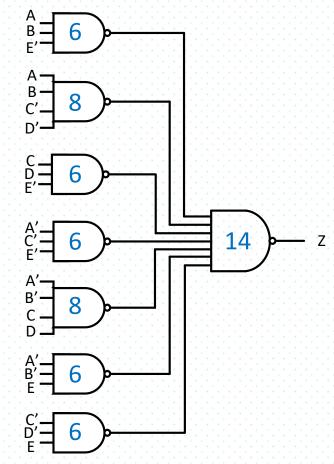
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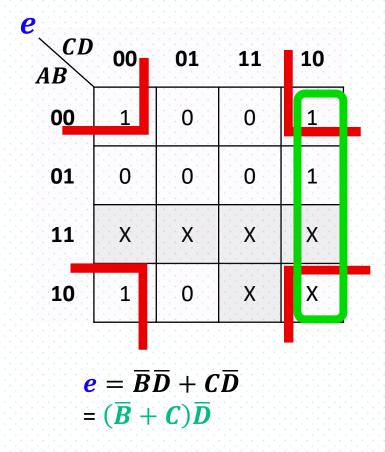


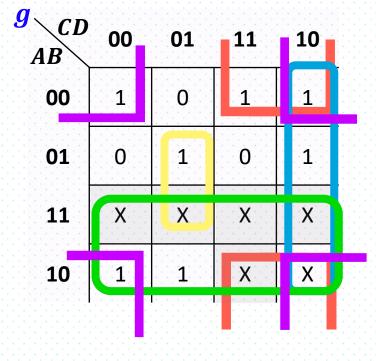
Area = $4 \times 3 + 6 \times 3 + 8 + 10 + 2 = 50$ (1 inverters for E') Literals = 13



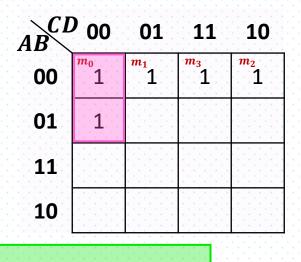
Area = $6 \times 5 + 8 \times 2 + 14 + 2 \times 5 = 70$ (5 inverters for A', B', C', D', E') Literals = 23

Sharing of Logic in 7-Segment Display





$$g = A + \overline{B}\overline{D} + \overline{B}C + C\overline{D} + B\overline{C}D$$
$$= (\overline{B} + C)\overline{D} + \overline{B}C + B\overline{C}D + A$$



Bonus Exit Ticket

$$F(A, B, C, D) = \sum m(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15)$$

Using Resubstitution multi-level logic minimization, write F in terms of P. Q + R, and draw the logic circuit.

- 1) Fill in the K-Map
- 2) Write F in terms of reduced SOP based on K-Map. Hint: You will be using more than used/visible PIs in 3.
- 3) Hint: Choose $P = \overline{A} + C + D$ and find Q and R.
- 4) Draw the corresponding circuit

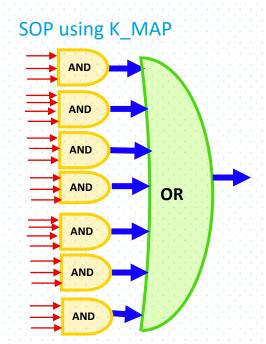
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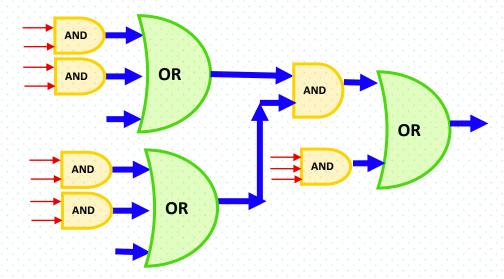
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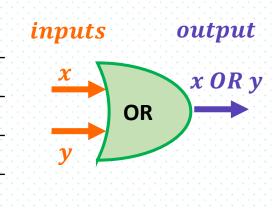
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Backup: Circuits (AND, OR, NOT, XOR Gates)

inputs x y	output x AND y	inputs	5	output
1 1	1	x		x AND y
1 0	0		AND	
0 1	0			
0 0	0			

	inputs	output
x	y	x OR y
1	1	1
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0



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inputs x y	$\begin{array}{c} output \\ x \ XOR \ y = x \oplus y \end{array}$	inpu
1	0	x
1 0	1	
0 1	1	<u>y</u>
0 0	0	

Backup: Logical operators aka propositional connectives

Conjunction AND \land (\land in latex) 2 inputs Evaluates to T ($True\ or\ 1$) exactly when **both** inputs are T ($True\ or\ 1$)

Exclusive or XOR \oplus (\oplus in latex) 2 inputs

Evaluates to T ($True \ or \ 1$) exactly when **exactly one** inputs is T ($True \ or \ 1$)

Disjunction OR V (\lor in latex) 2 inputs

Evaluates to T ($True\ or\ 1$) exactly when **at least one** inputs is T ($True\ or\ 1$)

Negation NOT \neg (\lnot in latex) 1 input

Evaluates to T ($True\ or\ 1$) exactly when its input is F ($False\ or\ 0$)

Backup: Truth tables

Input-output tables where we use T (1) and F (0)

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p	$q \mid$	$p \wedge q$	$m{p}\oplusm{q}$	$p \lor q$
1	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	1
0	0	0	0	0
		AND	XOR	OR

Backup: Truth tables

Given a truth table, how do we find an expression using the input variables and logical operators that outputs corresponding output specified in this table? Application: design a circuit given a desired input-output relationship.

p	q	output 1	output 2
T	T	T	F
T	F	T	F
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T

Expressions that represents output of output1: $(p \land q) \lor (p \land \neg q) \lor (\neg p \land \neg q)$ Expressions that represents output of output2: $(\neg p \land \neg q)$

Backup: DNF (SOP) and CNF (SOP)

Definition: An expression built of variables and logical operators is in Disjunctive Normal Form (DNF) means that it is an OR of ANDS.

Definition: An expression built of variables and logical operators is in Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF) means that it is an AND of ORs.

Example: An expression that has output? is:

	Inpu	t	Output	
p	q	r	?	
T	T'	T'	T	DNF: $(p \land q \land r) \lor (p \land q \land \neg r) \lor (p \land \neg q \land \neg r) \lor (\neg p \land \neg q \land r)$
T	T	F	T	
T	F	T	F	$CNF \colon (\neg p \lor q \lor \neg r) \land (p \lor \neg q \lor \neg r) \land (p \lor \neg q \lor r) \land (p \lor q \lor r)$
T	F	F	T	$CM \cdot (\neg p \lor q \lor \neg i) \land (p \lor \neg i q \lor i) \land (p \lor \neg i q \lor i) \land (p \lor q \lor i)$
F	T	T	F	
F	T	F	F	
F	F	T	T	
F	F	F	F	

Backup: Quine-McCluskey

$$F(a,b,c,d) = \sum m(7,9,12,13,14,15) + dont \ cares(4,11)$$
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                                         (12, 13, 14, 15) 11
Group 2: 9 1001
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                       (9, 11)
                                         (12, 14, 13, 15) 11
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                       (12, 13) 110 🗸
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Group 3: 7 0111
                       (12, 14) 11 0 \checkmark
        11 1011
        13 1101
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                      (11, 15) 1 11
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                       (13, 15) 11 1
Group 5: 15 1111 🗸
                       (14, 15) 111
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Backup: Quine-McCluskey

List of PIs: $b\bar{c}\bar{d}$, bcd, ad, ab

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$$F = bcd + ad + ab$$

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Exit Ticket

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Using Resubstitution multi-level logic minimization, write F in terms of P. Q + R, and draw the logic circuit.

 $\mathbf{P} = \overline{A} + C + D$ and find \mathbf{Q} and \mathbf{R} .

$$F = \bar{A}\bar{C}\bar{D} + AD + AC + \bar{A}\bar{B} + \bar{B}D + \bar{B}C$$

$$\bar{A}\bar{C}\bar{D} = P.Q_1 = (\bar{A} + C + D).Q_1 = P.\bar{C}\bar{D}$$

$$AD = P.Q_2 = (\overline{A} + C + D).Q_2 = P.A$$

$$AC = P.Q_3 = (\overline{A} + C + D).Q_3 = P.A$$

$$\bar{A}\bar{B} = P.Q_4 = (\bar{A} + C + D).Q_4 = P.\bar{B}$$

$$F = P.Q + R = P \sum Q_i + \sum R_i = (\overline{A} + C + D) \cdot (A + \overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{B})$$

Number of CMOS Transistors needed for different Gates

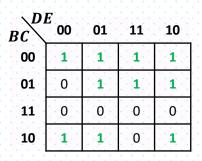
Table 1. Gate types, Gate ID, corresponding CMOS transistors [17]

Gate Type Code	Gate Symbol	Area (μm)	Number Of Transistors
0	<u></u>	0	0
1	ightharpoons	1728	2
2	- D-	2880	6
3	\supset	2880	6
4	Ļ	2304	4
5	$\stackrel{\frown}{\bigcirc}$	2304	4
6	#>	4608	9
7	\Rightarrow	5184	9

Multi-Level Logic Minimization

Example logical function $F(A, B, C, D, E) = \sum m(0, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 18, 21, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29)$

Simplification using 5-Variable K-Map



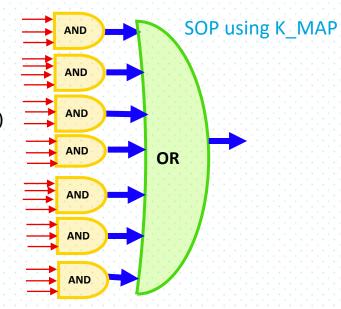
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 0	0	0	[• [1] •]
0	1	0	0
1	1.1	0	0
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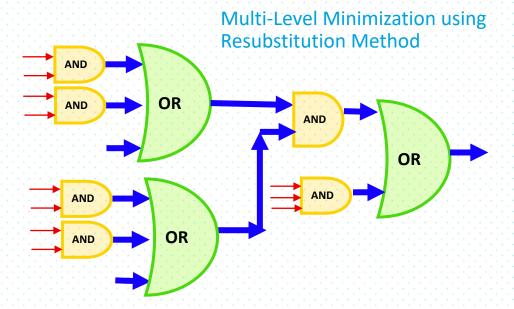
Based on above K - Map:

$$F = AB\bar{E} + AB\bar{C}\bar{D} + CD\bar{E} + \bar{A}\bar{C}\bar{E} + \bar{A}\bar{B}CD + \bar{A}\bar{B}E + \bar{C}\bar{D}E$$

With using a $multi-level\ logic\ minimization$, we can get:

$$F = (AB + CD + E)(\bar{A}\bar{B} + \bar{C}\bar{D} + \bar{E}) + \bar{A}\bar{C}\bar{E}$$





How do I fit into



Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

as Assistant Teaching Professor

Fatemeh Asgarinejad
PhD candidate at UC San Diego

Teaching Experiences as Instructor/TA

Computer Science and Engineering, UC San Diego

Summer Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science Instructor | Syllabus | Course website

Winter Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science Teaching Assistant | Miles Jones

Fall Mathematics for Algorithms and Systems Analysis

2024 Teaching Assistant | Miles Jones

Spring Mathematics for Algorithms and Systems Analysis

2024 Teaching Assistant | Miles Jones

Winter Mathematics for Algorithms and Systems Analysis

2024 Teaching Assistant | Miles Jones

Summer Design and Analysis of Algorithms
2023 Teaching Assistant | Jor-El Briones

Fall

2023

Data Science, UC San Diego

Data Science Programming
Teaching Assistant | Duncan Watson-Parris

Theoretical Foundations of Data Science

2023 Teaching Assistant | Rod Albuyeh

Spring Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science 2023 Teaching Assistant | Jor-El Briones

Winter Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science 2023 Teaching Assistant | Miles Jones

Summer Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science 2022 Teaching Assistant | Jor-El Briones

Spring Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science 2022 Teaching Assistant | Miles Jones

Summer Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science 2021 Teaching Assistant | Miles Jones

San Diego State University

Fall First Year Seminars
2021 Instructor, four sections

Aug 2019 -

Sep 2020

UC San Diego Extension

Fundamentals of Machine Learning
Teaching Assistant | Sanjoy Dasgupta

Teaching Experiences as Instructor/TA

Rating: 92.3%

Summer 2024

Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science at UCSD CSE Instructor | Syllabus | Course Website

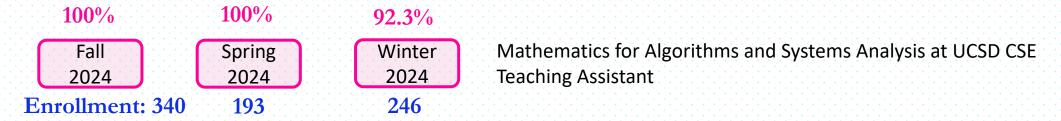
Enrollment: 19

- Developed the course content based on materials from previous quarters /recorded lectures accessible in UCSD podcasts
- Held office hours and one-on-one meetings
- Created several assignments, quizzes and exams
- Led a staff of 3 TA/tutors.



- Taught discussion sections
- Held office hours and one-on-ones
- Helped in creating and proofreading assignments and exams
- Created grade rubrics and helped in grading
- Delivered review sessions
- Helped manage a staff of often over 10
- Question answering in piazza, etc.

Teaching Experiences as Instructor/TA



- Taught discussion sections
- Held office hours and one-on-ones
- Helped in creating and proofreading assignments and exams
- Created grade rubrics and helped in grading
- Delivered review sessions
- Helped manage a staff of over 10
- Question answering in piazza, etc.

Teaching Experiences as Instructor/TA

100%

Summer 2023 Design and Analysis of Algorithms at UCSD CSE Teaching Assistant | Jor-El Briones

Enrollment: 36

85.7%

Fall 2023

Data Science Programming at UCSD DSC Teaching Assistant | Duncan Watson-Parris

Enrollment: 56

92.6%

Summer 2023 <u>Theoretical Foundations of Data Science</u> at UCSD DSC Teaching Assistant | Rod Albuyeh

Enrollment: 28

- Taught discussion sections
- Held office hours and one-on-ones
- Helped in proofreading assignments and exams
- Created grade rubrics and helped in grading
- Delivered review sessions
- Question answering in piazza, etc.

- Held office hours
- Helped in creating and proofreading assignments and exams
- Designed midterm exam
- Created grade rubrics and helped in grading
- Question answering in piazza, etc.
- Taught discussion sections
- Held office hours
- Helped in proofreading assignments and exams
- Created grade rubrics and helped in grading
- Question answering in piazza, etc.

Teaching Experiences as Instructor/TA

Fall First Year Seminars at SDSU
2021 Instructor, four sections

• Created and led lectures and activities on topics including resume creating, building a sense of community, well-being and mental health awareness, preparation for internships and academic success strategies (time and stress management)

Aug 2019 - Fundamentals of Machine Learning at UCSD Extension
Sep 2020 Teaching Assistant | Sanjoy Dasgupta

- Question answering (online)
- Developed solution manual of HomeWorks and quizzes

Teaching Experiences as Instructor/TA: Challenges and Ideas

Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science

Students are often used to "plug-and-chug" and "watch-and-repeat" in mathematics specifically in their first year.

What to do: Discuss the difference between "math" (what they know) and "math" (what is being taught) and promote "growth mindset"

Find the roots to the following quadratic equation:

$$x^{2} - 2x + 3 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt[2]{b^{2} - 4ac}}{2a} \text{ and } a = 1, b = -2 \text{ and } c = 3$$
Hence, $x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt[2]{(-2)^{2} - 4(1)(-3)}}{2(1)} \rightarrow x = 3 \text{ and } -1$

Are the following statements consistent? (can all of them be true without leading to contradiction)

1.
$$p \rightarrow (r \lor s)$$

2.
$$q \rightarrow s$$

3.
$$p \leftrightarrow q$$

VS

Teaching Experiences as Instructor/TA: Challenges and Ideas

Lack of student motivation as a result of finding materials too abstract, difficult to understand or not interesting to follow or uncertain about their use cases

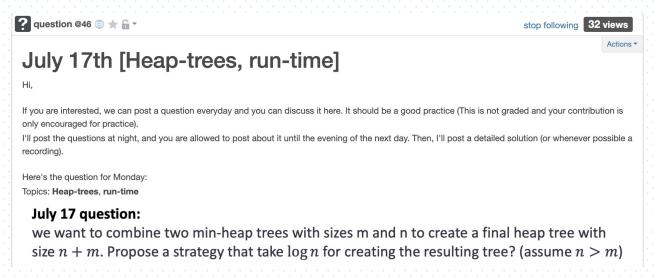
What to do: Connecting the course to real-world and interesting application

What to do: E.g. mentioning the ongoing research in a field, application of different methods in the industry: multi-level minimization techniques are used in Intel and AMD and there is ongoing research in this field.

Teaching Experiences as Instructor/TA: Challenges and Ideas

Students take some classes with different level of prepared-ness, talents and backgrounds and sometimes prejudices

What to do: Effectively support and engage all students using one-on-ones and challenging questions



More challenging questions for students who aspire to further deepen their understanding From CSE 101 class

Encouraging struggling students to join one-on-one sessions

	24	Tuesday							
	25	Time	TA/Tutor	Location/Zoom Link	Student Name	Student Email	What would you like help with? (Cannot be homework help)	Additional Comments (Optional)	
	26	11-11:30a	Joey	https://ucsd.zoom.us/my/jrdek					
14.	27	11-11:30a	Joey	https://ucsd.zoom.us/my/jrdek					
	28	4 - 4:30	Fatemeh	CSE 2140 or Zoom					
	29	4:30 - 5	Fatemeh	CSE 2140 or Zoom					

Experiences



Mentor for <u>PRISM Center High School Research Program</u> led by Professor Tajana Rosing and Professor Niema Moshiri at UCSD

- 6-week fully remote program for educating students about real-world biomedical problemsolving within computing
- Students worked on a biology-inspired machine learning project, completed a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) for <u>Introduction to Computation Science and OOP in python</u>, attended UCSD faculty talks (e.g. <u>talk by Prof. Rob Knight</u>), learned about university applications and scholarships, and joined daily sessions and office hours
- Supported by a grant from the Semiconductor Research Corporation (SRC) through the PRISM Center
- 14 High School students, 12 from underrepresented racial or ethnic backgrounds, seven of the students had no prior computing experience and 64% were women

I was one of the **panelists** and speakers in 2024 PRISM Annual review I have been invited to **co-lead 2025 PRISM High School Research Program** (Jun-July)



Experiences



Mentor and content creation team member for <u>Algorithmic Creativity and Python Programming</u>

<u>Summer School Course</u> for underserved high school students in Iran, Sharif University of Technology

- Helped in content creation and held office hours
- +6,200 students enrolled in online version of the course to date
- The algorithm creativity and python programming questions are based on engaging Bebras
 Challenges and games. No need for laptops, platform could be run on a smart phone

2022present HKN honor society of UC San Diego outreach program

- Underserved middle school and high school students are targeted for promoting interest in STEM
- These programs are often hands-on problem-solving activities, such as designing a simple practical circuit



Experiences

Sep 2024 - present

Mentor for Women In Computing at UC San Diego

Helping with navigating academic and more specifically research path for incoming graduate students

Women In Computing is also involved in:

- Familiarizing undergraduate students with general paradigm of research
- Mentoring programs and Milestone projects and workshops
- Networking with industry



Experiences

2023 present Mentor of undergraduate students in **System Energy Efficiency lab** in UC San Diego

- Directly mentoring 4 undergraduate and 1 high school student (most reached out in my office hours for the courses I served as TA)
- Resulted in one publication so far:
 - M. Gaddi, F. Ponzina, F. Asgarinejad, B. Aksanli, T. Rosing, "HyperECG: ECG Signal Inference from Radar with Hyperdimensional Computing", BIBE, 2024.
- Ongoing projects in addressing catastrophic forgetting (Jiaying Yang and A.J Olivares) and LLM prompt engineering (Matilda Gaddi and Amir Kiadi) using Hyperdimensional Computing

Experiences

Apr 2025 - present Chair of IEEE Student Activities San Diego Section

• Foster students engagement in opportunities to enhance their academic and professional careers E.g. on April 17th there will be a tour for San Diego Students for Qualcomm headquarters' museum tour and snapdragon demos

Teaching Education Courses, Seminars and Peer-review Program

UC San Diego Student-Centered College Teaching & Course Design Certificate

- Preparing for planning a class session that engages, values and supports students, navigating teaching decisions
- Implementing strategies to create an equitable learning experience and applying frameworks of backward design
- Teaching for equity to create learner-centered course and syllabus

Leadership in Teaching: Graduate Peer Review of Instruction Program Certificate

Practiced developing and refining skills in collaborative leadership, mentoring, and reflective pedagogy

Ongoing: Transparency in Learning and Teaching

- Practices for small but significant changes to enhance student learning and performance on assignments
- Promoting Transparency to bring to light the unwritten rules and unspoken expectations of higher education

Teaching/Training Goals

Existing students:

Increase resources to increase students success, graduation rate and GPA in their programs

- **Peer-mentor groups / one-on-one sessions** for discussing the homeworks and addressing issues with prerequisites, for students who feel behind in the class
 - Previous experience: Held one-on-one sessions for 10 courses at UCSD as TA / Instructor
 - Goal: Encouraging students for attending one-on-one sessions to keep up with the course pace
- First year seminars for better transitioning undergraduate students from high school to university
 - Previous experience: instructor of first year seminars
 - Goal: Helping with organizing programs for better transitioning of high school students to computer science

Teaching/Training Goals

Existing students:

Increase resources to increase students success, graduation rate and GPA in their programs

- Certificate programs, workshops, hackathons, (or larger-scale event like data festivals! to attract wider audience)
 - Previous experience: PRISM summer school and SUT summer Python programming
 - Goal: Helping student organizations and clubs for establishing and promoting workshops, hackathons and ML/DS festivals
- Getting more students involved in research (in general)
 - Previous experience: Mentoring 5 undergraduate and high school students in research projects
 - Goal: Teaching basics of paradigms of research
 - Goal: Holding paper reading groups
 - Goal: Independent and directed group study in data science and machine learning with supervision of research faculty

Teaching/Training Goals

Students not in the program / high school students:

- Skill development workshops and certificate programs with engaging projects
 - Previous experience: TA for Machine Learning Fundamentals at UCSD Extension targeting nonaffiliated students
 - Goal: Helping with initiating certificate programs and holding summer programs

Educational Activities Goals Supported by Funding

Writing educational research proposals for NSF Funding

NSF provides funding for efforts to strengthen undergraduate STEM education, graduate education, broadening participation in STEM and research on education and learning

Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Directorate for STEM Education (IUSE: EDU)

IUSE: EDU supports research programs that promote novel, creative, and transformative approaches to generating and using new knowledge about STEM teaching and learning to improve STEM education for undergraduate students

- The developed tools/creative approaches should be implemented to the program with the help of faculty as co-PIs.
- I maintain connections with UCSD and SDSU and opportunities for joint crossregional proposals, student exchange programs and further collaborations

NSF Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Program (S-STEM) S-STEM supports institutions of higher education to fund scholarships for academically talented low-income STEM majors and to study and implement a program of activities that support their recruitment, retention and graduation

- Scholarships impact students decisions for enrollment
- Invite students from local High School students and community colleges
- Targeting low-income students and under-represented communities

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EHR Core Research: Building Capacity in STEM Education Research

<u>EHR Core Research</u> supports activities that will advance STEM education research, including professional development for researchers, institutional training on the use of cutting-edge research techniques, and conferences.

 Funding could be used for small research-based project and workshop presentations by undergraduate students

Division of Undergraduate Education (EDU/DUE)

<u>DUE</u> promotes STEM education through innovative curricula, faculty support and diversity initiatives to ensure student success in a changing STEM workforce

Experiential Learning for Emerging and Novel Technologies (ExLENT)

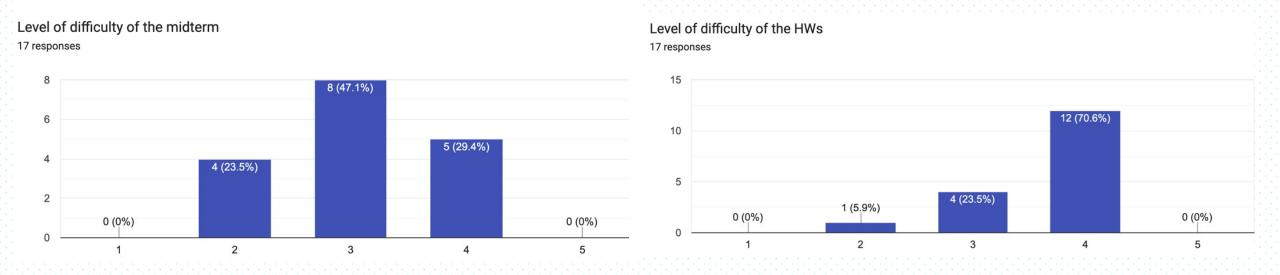
<u>ExLENT</u> supports hands-on learning opportunities for learners from nontraditional backgrounds, equipping them with skills for emerging technology fields and fostering workforce development through cross-sector partnerships.

 Funding could be used for developing certificate programs, workshops and skill-building opportunities for non-STEM population

Teaching Philosophy: Feedback Mechanisms

Course feedback offers valuable teaching insights and makes students feel heard

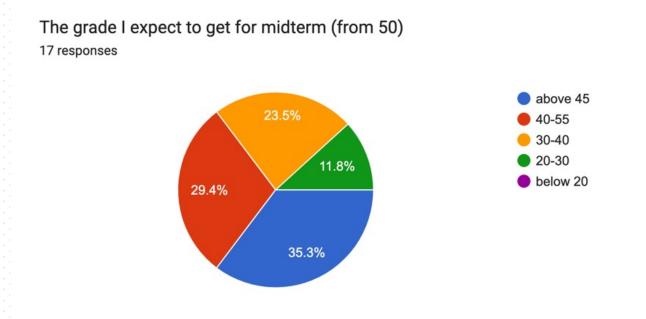
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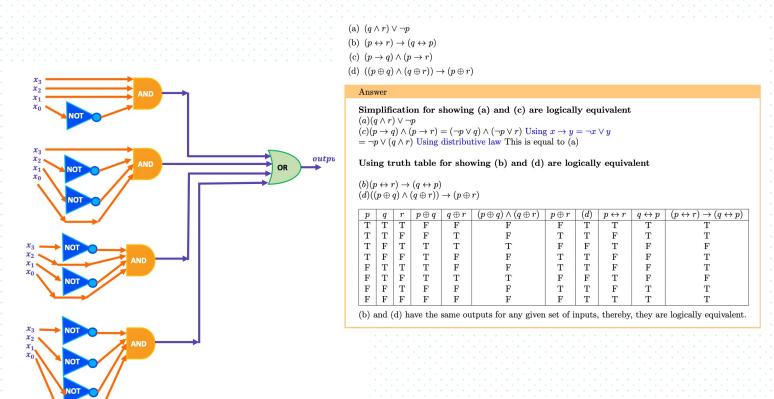
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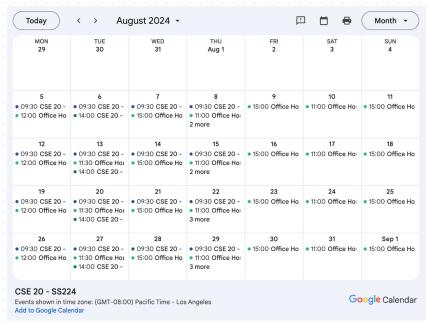
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Teaching Philosophy: Well-structured, Polished and Organized Course Content / Logistics

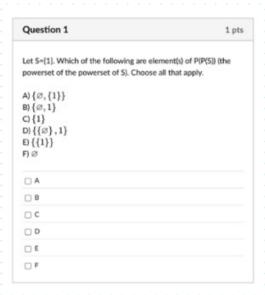
If you invest energy and care and passion, you will cultivate care and enthusiasm





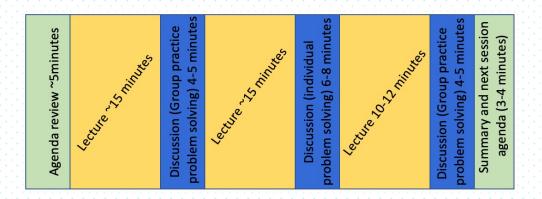
Teaching Philosophy: Active and Engaged Learning

Active Learning methods like group problem-solving exercises, group discussions, polls and daily exit tickets to enhance critical thinking and help deeper understanding of complex concepts and learn from each other



Exit Ticket

Observation: students tend to watch the recording of the lectures the day of the lecture if they were not present, helping to keep up with the course flow.



Group discussion example:



Can we use Master's Theorem in $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + O(n)$ to write the closed form of T(n)?

Teaching Philosophy: Cultivating Community in Class

Creating a sense of community involves encouraging collaboration through group projects and discussions while creating an environment where students feel comfortable asking questions or asking for help without fear of judgment



Group discussions, group projects and some group HW submissions

Practicing care and building a classroom where students feel a sense of belonging and are not shy to ask for help

Curriculum Development

Courses that could be added:

More CS/data analysis/Machine Learning courses

- Big Network Data (ECE 227) in UCSD (theoretical and empirical analysis on real data)
- Machine Learning for Physical Applications (ECE 228) (Gaussian probabilities, linear models, Kernel Methods, etc. for physical applications)
- idea: Seminar course for fine-tuning LLM for Logic design

More ML + Hardware courses:

- Machine Learning on Edge: Software Hardware Co-design
 - Stanford's Machine Learning on Embedded Systems (CS329E) <u>link</u>
 - MIT's TinyML and Efficient Deep Learning Computing (6.5940) link
 - UCSD's ECE 268. Security of Hardware Embedded Systems
- Hardware Accelerators for Deep Learning
 - Incorporating Professor Han's lab's ML for hardware and system's lab into desiging a ML+Hardware course <u>link</u>. E.g. One of their projects <u>MCUNet</u> does efficient neural architecture on microcontrollers

Project-based courses that use tools and CADs used in industry accompanied by discussions and guest lectures by industry experts

Course	Quarter	Roll	Rating (%)	Enrollment	Pages in misc. document
CSE 21 Math/Algorithm & Systems Analysis	Fall 2024	ТА	Ongoing	340	Ongoing
CSE 20 Discrete Mathematics	Summer 2024	Instructor	12/13 (92.3%)	19	5 - 10
CSE 21 Math/Algorithm & Systems Analysis	Spring 2024	ТА	10/10 (100%)	193	11 - 14
CSE 21 Math/Algorithm & Systems Analysis	Winter 2024	ТА	12/13 (92.3%)	246	15 - 18
DSC 200 Data Science Programming	Fall 2023	TA	6/7 (85.7%)	56	19- 22
DSC 40A Theoretical Foundations of Data Science 1	Summer 2023	ТА	11/12 (91.6%)	28	23 -26
CSE 101 Design & Analysis of Algorithm	Summer 2023	ТА	10/10 (100%)	36	27 - 30
CSE 20 Discrete Mathematics	Spring 2023	TA	15/16 (93.8%)	279	31 - 35
CSE 20 Discrete Mathematics	Winter 2023	TA	13/16 (81.25%)	281	36 - 39
CSE 20 Discrete Mathematics	Summer 2022	TA	7/8 (87.5%)	22	40 - 43
CSE 20 Discrete Mathematics	Spring 2022	TA	3/4 (75%)	339	44 - 47
CSE 20 Discrete Mathematics	Summer 2021	TA	7/7 (100%)	78	48 - 51