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- MISR

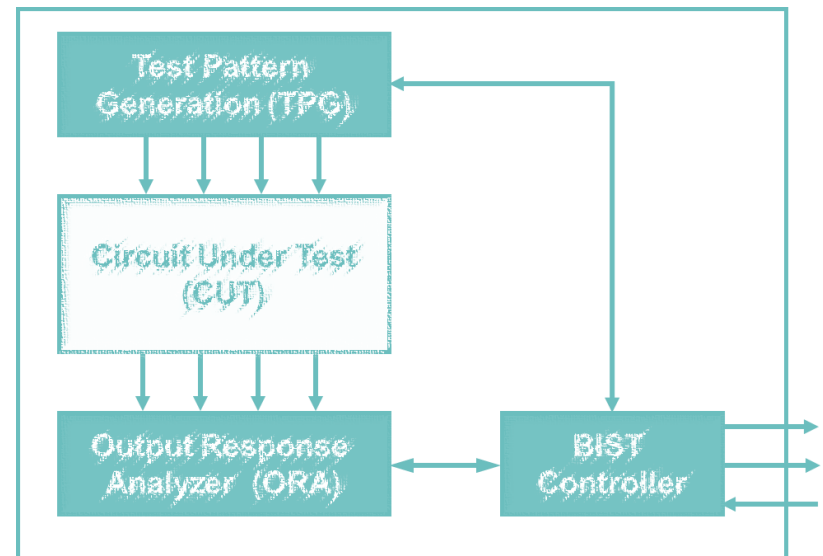
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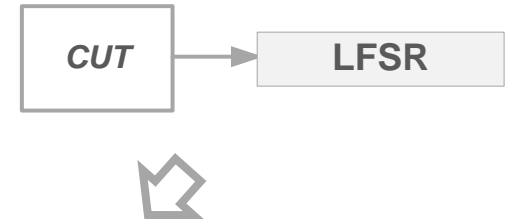
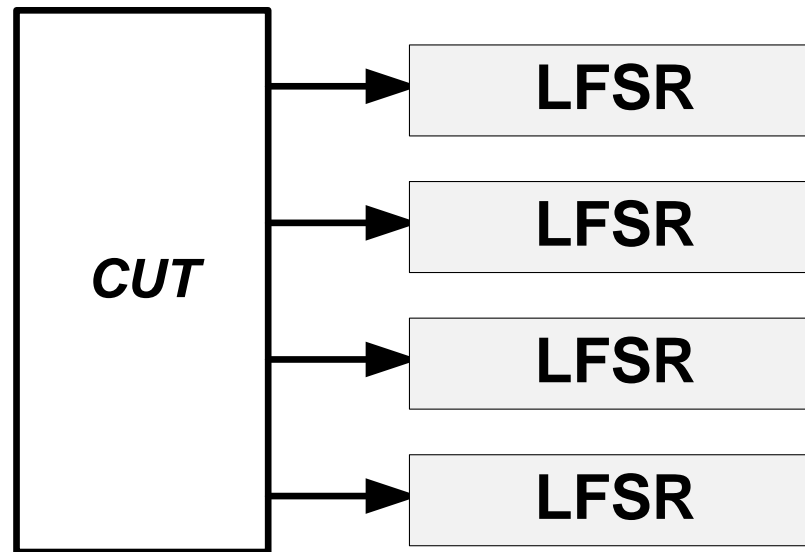
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Parallel ORA

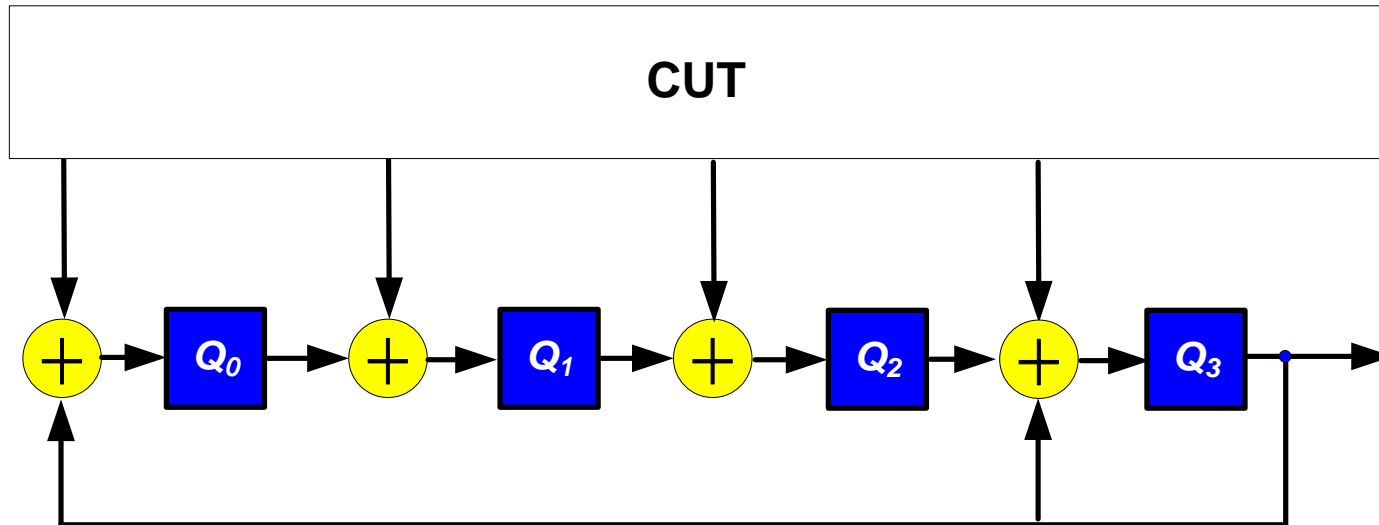
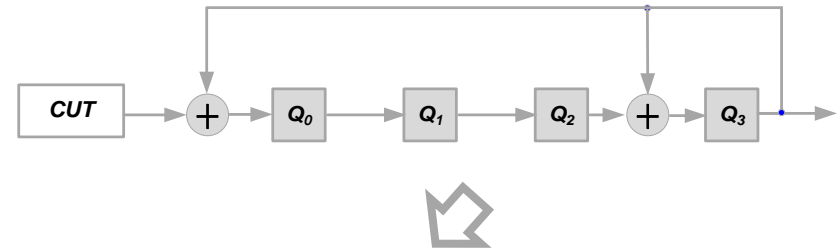
- Serial ORA only compress one CUT output
- How about multiple CUT outputs?
 - ♦ One LFSR for each CUT output?
 - ♦ Too much hardware overhead!



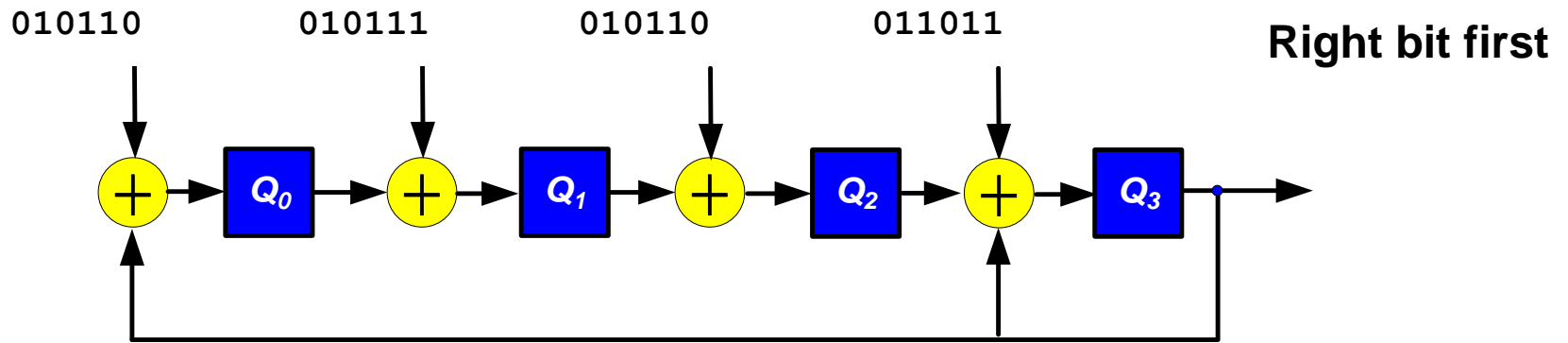
Any Better Idea?

Multiple Input Signature Register, MISR

- **MISR** has similar structure to LFSR, except
 - ♦ Parallel inputs feed XOR between stages
- MISR characteristic polynomial same as LFSR
- Example: MISR with 4 parallel inputs
 - ♦ Modified from type-2 LFSR
 - ♦ $f(x) = x^4 + x^3 + 1$



What is MISR Signature?



| cycle | Q_0 | Q_1 | Q_2 | Q_3 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

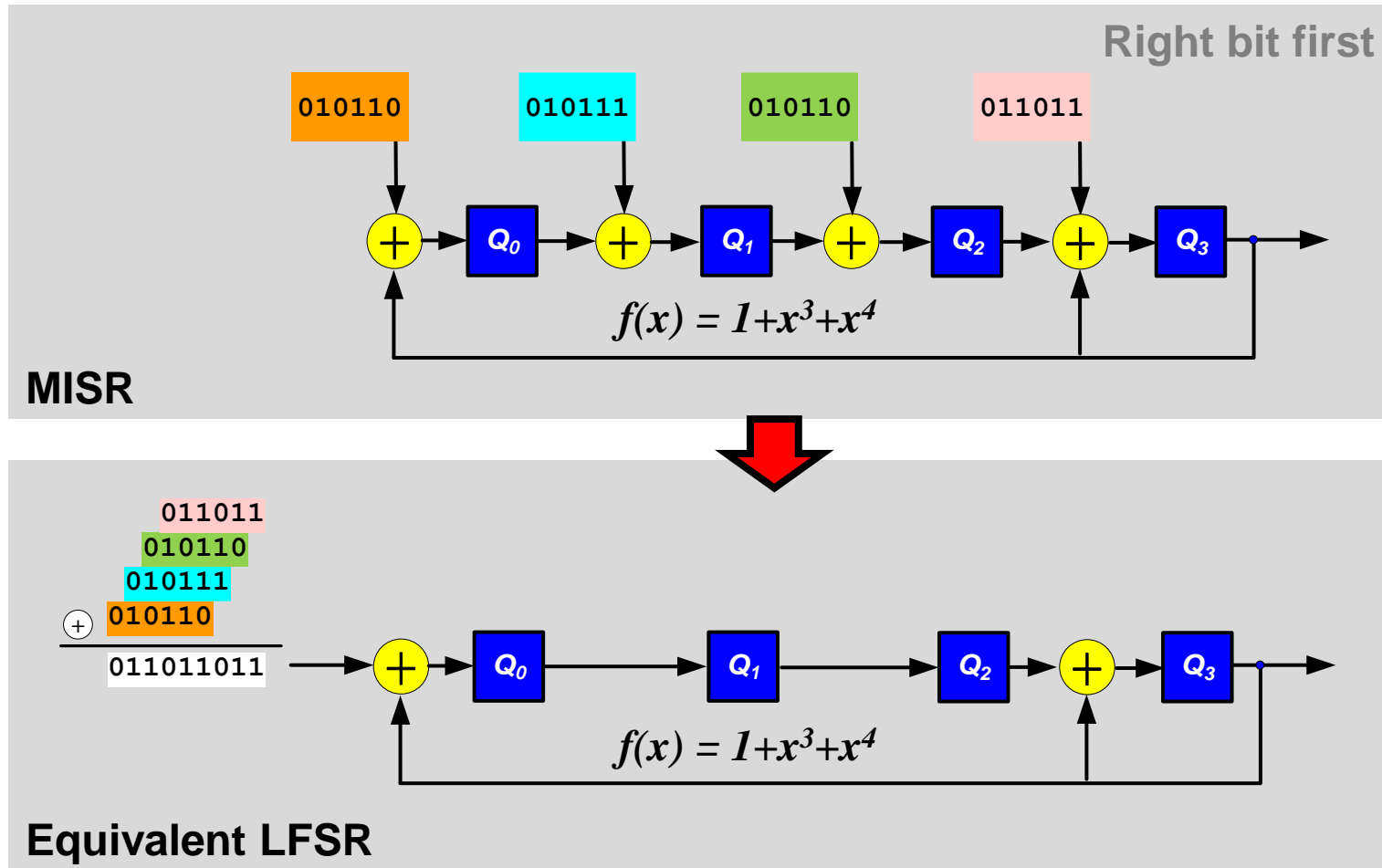
initial state

signature

Too Slow!

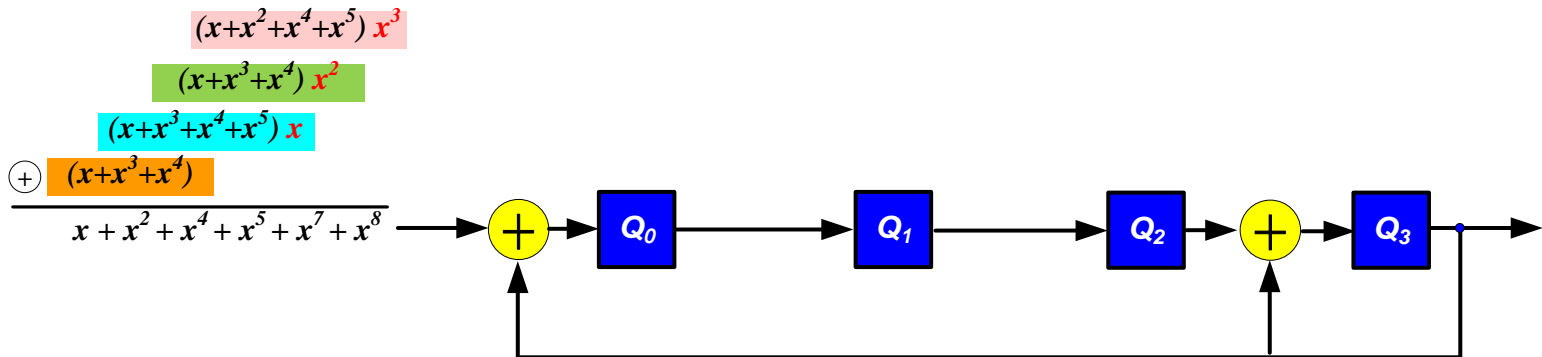
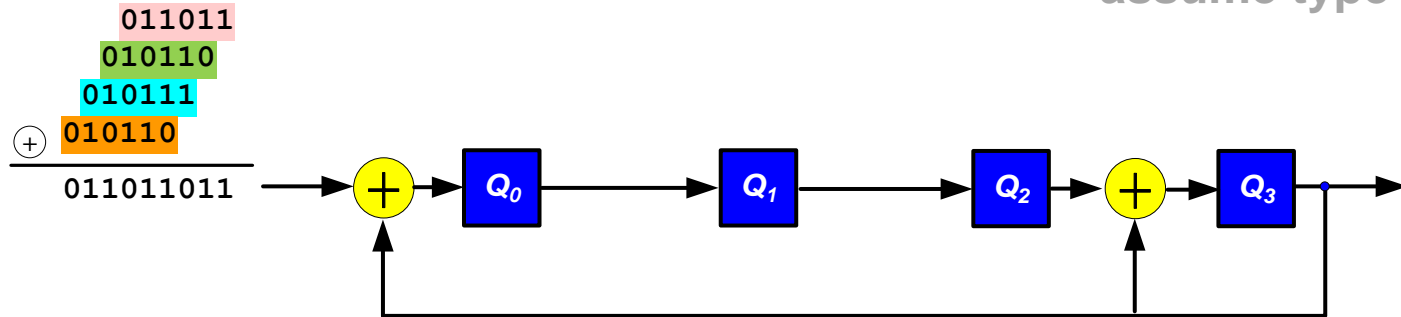
Equivalent LFSR

- Change MISR to *equivalent LFSR*
 - ♦ Just phase shift and add many input bit streams



Signature Analysis Using CRC

assume type-2 LFSR



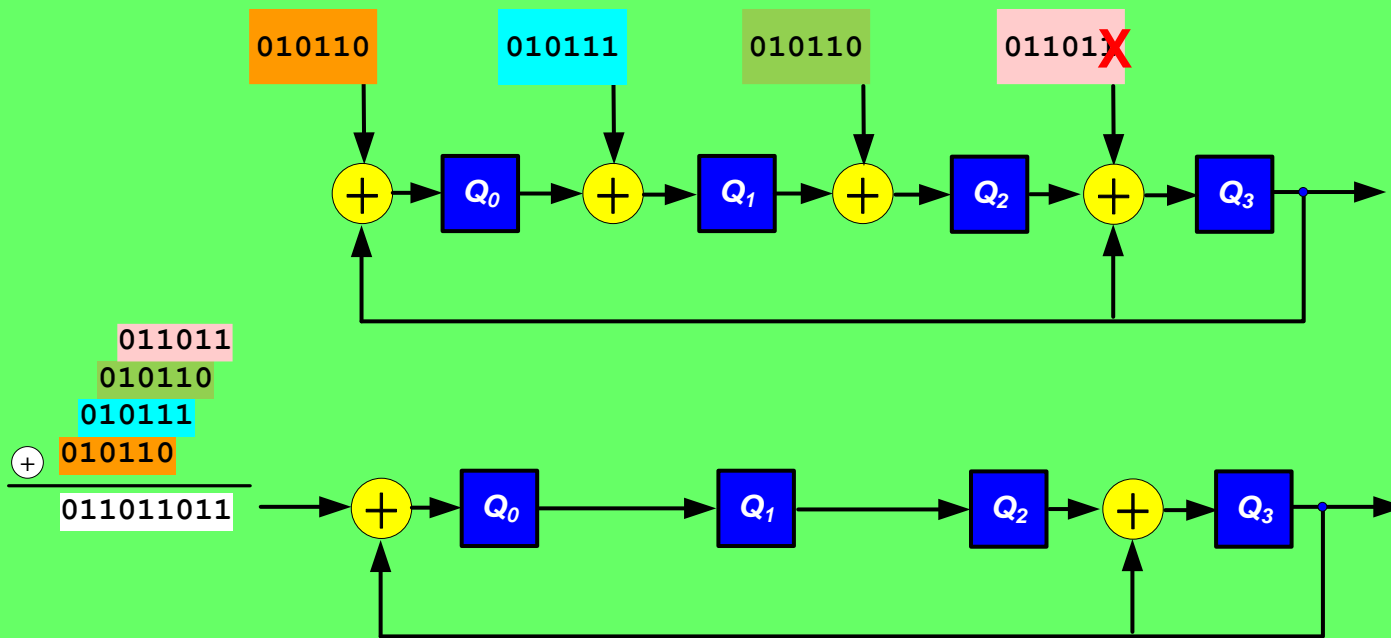
$$(x+x^2+x^4+x^5+x^7+x^8) \div (1+x^3+x^4) = 1+x+x^4 \dots\dots 1+x^2+x^3$$

$$M(x) \quad \div \quad f(x) \quad = \quad Q(x) \quad \dots\dots R(x)$$

Quiz

Q: Given same example. The first bit of rightmost '1' is flipped to '0'

- 1) Find equivalent LFSR and associated input bit stream
- 2) What is MISR signature using CRC analysis?



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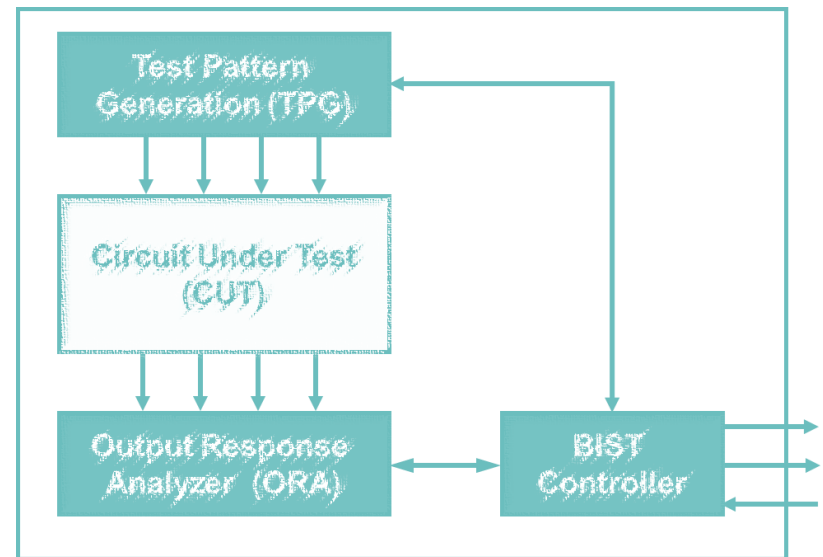
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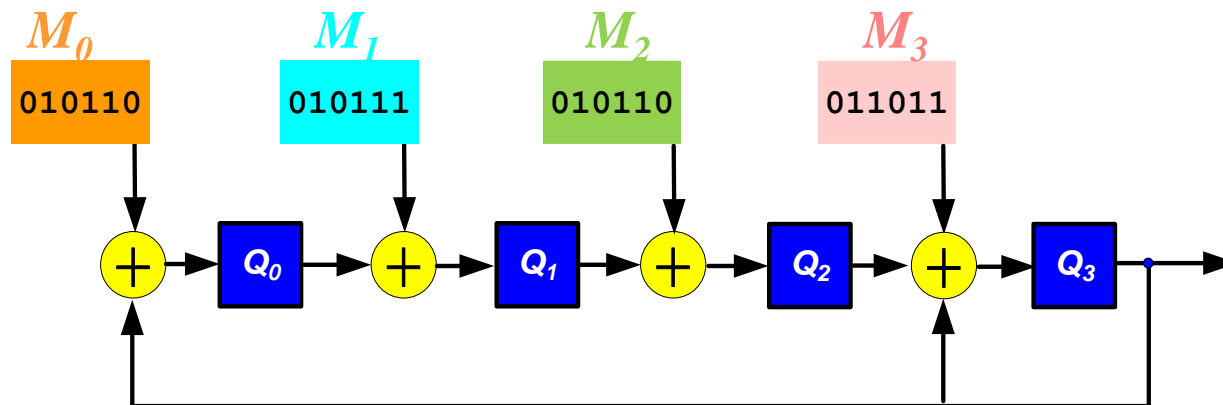
Good Signature (1/2)

- Assume

- ♦ $f(x) = N$ -degree characteristic polynomial, which is primitive
- ♦ Totally N MISR inputs: $n=0,1,2,\dots,N-1$ (from left to right)
- ♦ Totally K cycles of MISR input bit stream: $k=0,1,2,\dots,K-1$
- ♦ $M_n(x) = \text{MISR } n_{th} \text{ input polynomial}$

- Example

- ♦ $N=4, K=6, f(x) = x^4+x^3+1$
- ♦ $M_0(x)=x+x^3+x^4, M_1(x)=x+x^3+x^4+x^5, M_2(x)=x+x^3+x^4, M_3(x)=x+x^2+x^4+x^5$



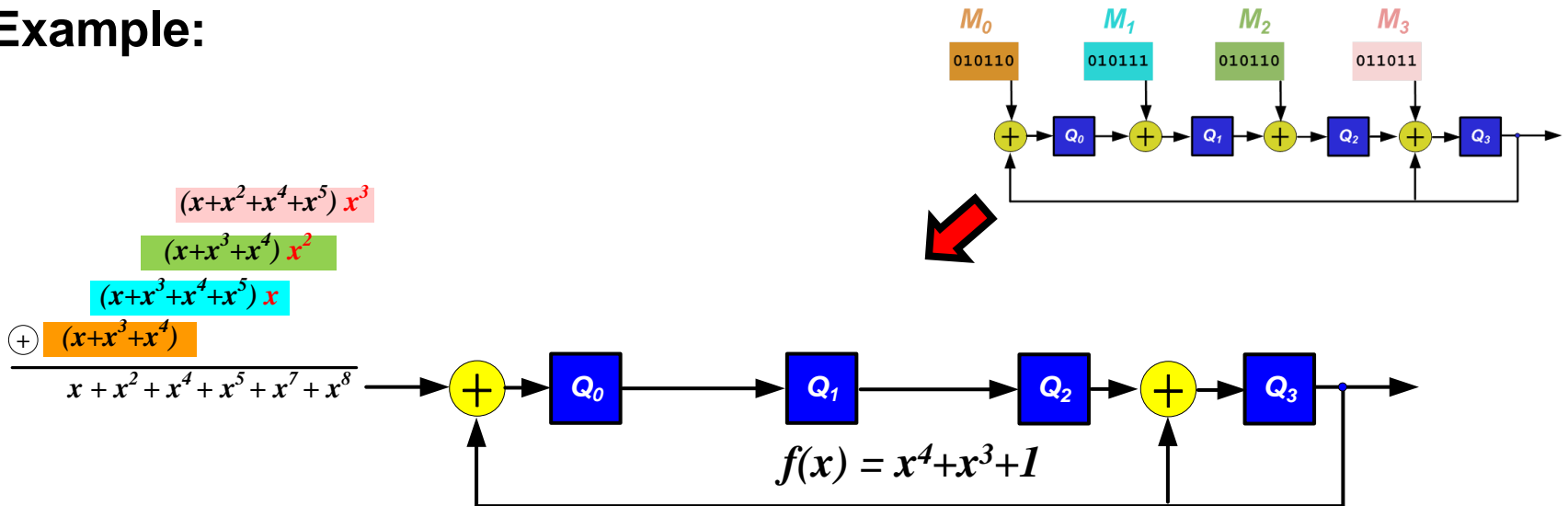
Good Signature (2/2)

- $M_{good}(x)$ = good input bit stream; $R_{good}(x)$ = good signature

$$M_{good}(x) = M_0(x) + x^1 M_1(x) + x^2 M_2(x) \dots + x^{N-1} M_{N-1}(x)$$

$$R_{good}(x) = M_{good}(x) \bmod f(x)$$

- Example:



$$M_{good}(x) = M_0(x) + xM_1(x) + x^2 M_2(x) + x^3 M_3(x) + x^4 M_4(x) = x + x^2 + x^4 + x^5 + x^7 + x^8$$

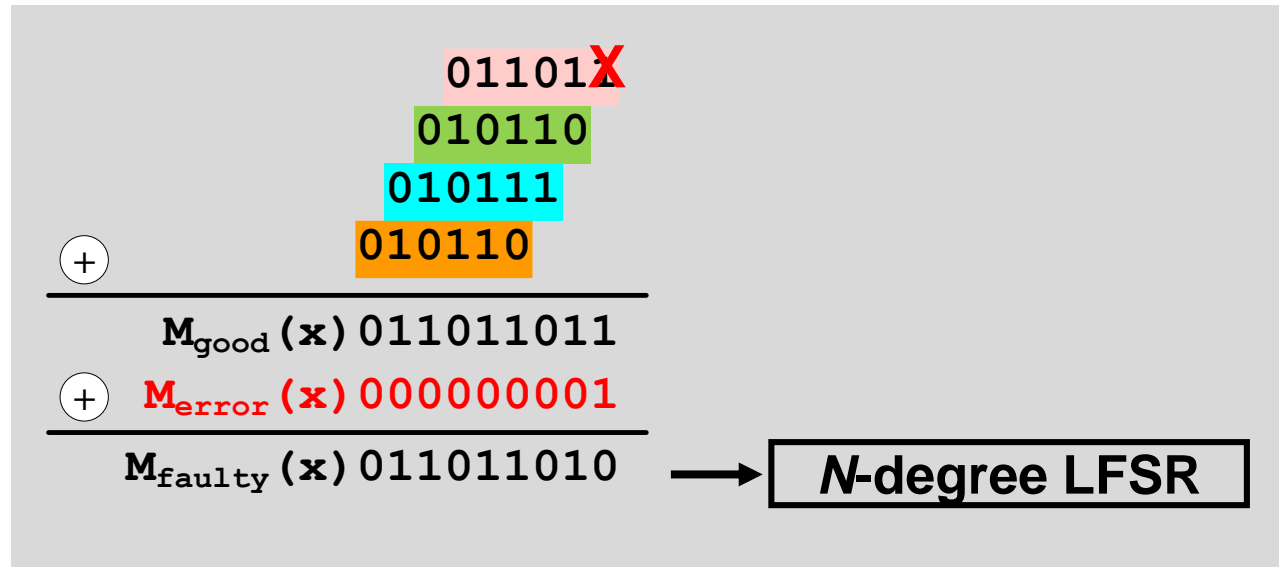
$$R_{good}(x) = M_{good}(x) \bmod f(x) = 1 + x^2 + x^3$$

When Error Occurs

- $M_{\text{faulty}}(x) = M_{\text{good}}(x) + M_{\text{error}}(x)$

$$M_{\text{faulty}}(x) = M_0(x) + x^1 M_1(x) + x^2 M_2(x) \dots + x^{N-1} M_{N-1}(x) + M_{\text{error}}(x)$$

$$R_{\text{faulty}}(x) = M_{\text{faulty}}(x) \bmod f(x)$$



$$M_{\text{faulty}}(x) = x + x^2 + x^4 + x^5 + x^7 + x^8 + \text{red } x^8 = x + x^2 + x^4 + x^5 + x^7$$

$$R_{\text{faulty}}(x) = M_{\text{faulty}}(x) \bmod f(x) = \text{red } 1 + x \quad \text{No aliasing.}$$

PAL=?

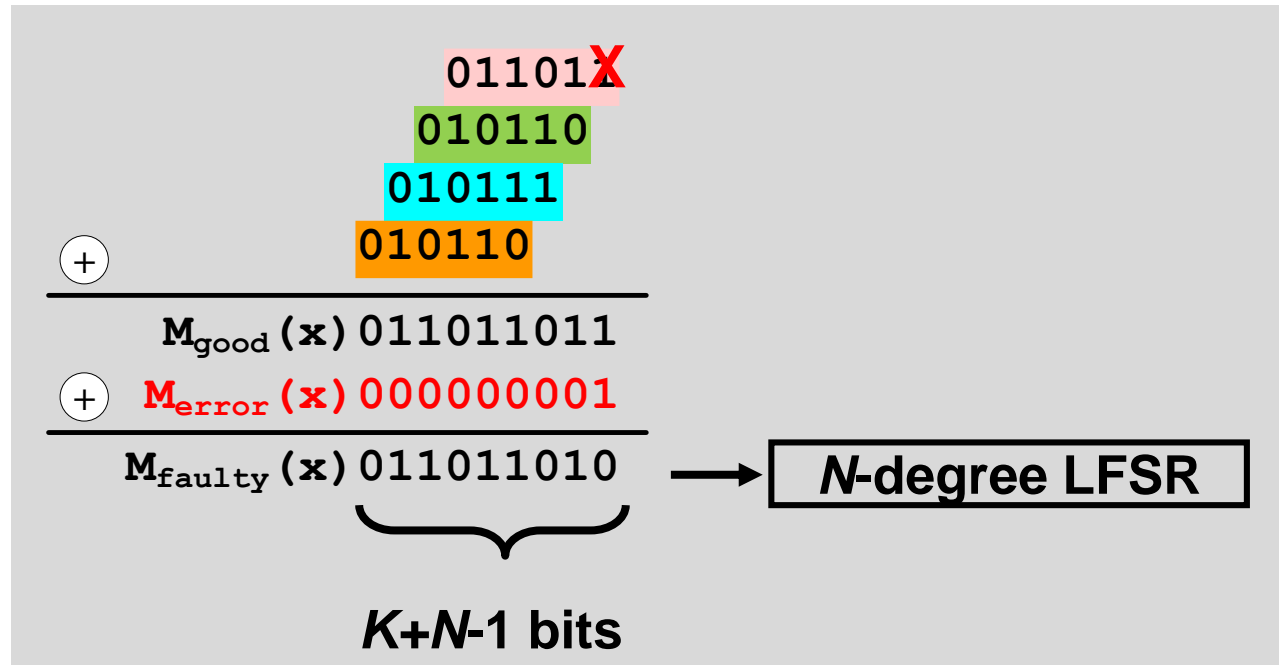
- Same analysis as LFSR

- ♦ $M_{\text{faulty}}(x) = M_{\text{good}}(x) + M_{\text{error}}(x)$
- ♦ Bit stream length $m = K + N - 1$

$$PAL = \frac{2^{m-N} - 1}{2^m - 1} = \frac{2^{K-1} - 1}{2^{N+K-1} - 1} \approx 2^{-N}$$

- Example

- ♦ $N=4, K=6$
- ♦ $m=9$
- ♦ $PAL \approx 2^{-4}$

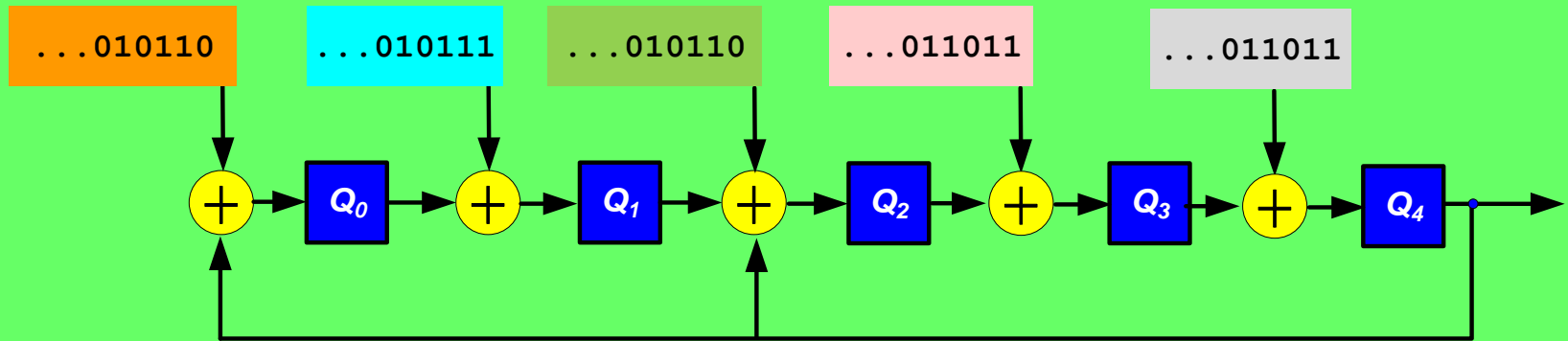


$PAL = 2^{-N}$. Same as LFSR!

Quiz

Q: We have 5 inputs, each 100 bits long. 5-degree MISR (PP= $1+x^2+x^5$)
What is PAL of this MISR?

A:



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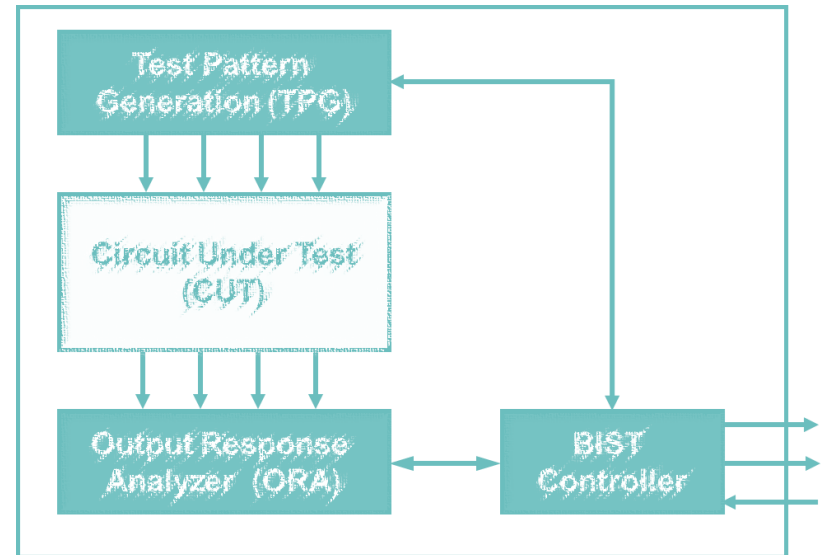
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What If Two Errors?

- Two cases:

different columns

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \begin{array}{r}
 011011 \\
 01011\cancel{0} \\
 0101\cancel{1}1 \\
 010110
 \end{array} \\
 \oplus \\
 \hline
 M_{\text{good}}(\mathbf{x}) \ 011011011 \\
 \oplus \ M_{\text{error}}(\mathbf{x}) \ 00000\color{red}{1}0\color{red}{1}0 \\
 \hline
 M_{\text{faulty}}(\mathbf{x}) \ 01101\color{red}{0}0\color{red}{0}1
 \end{array}$$

This is modeled by PAL

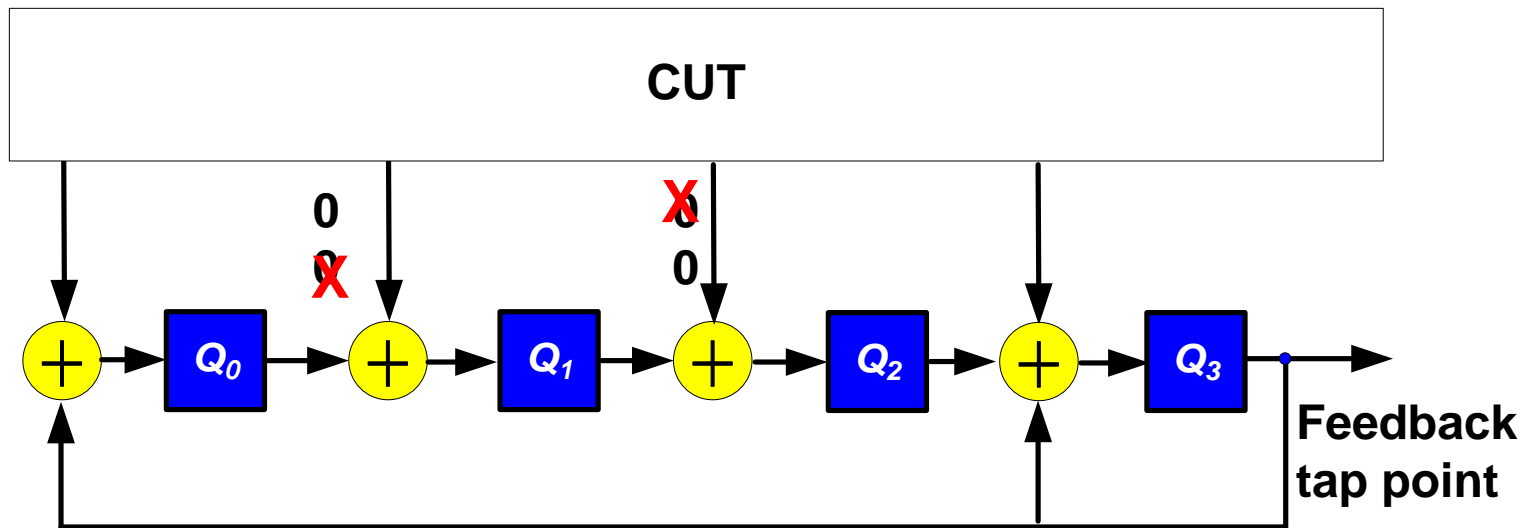
same column

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 M_{\text{faulty}}(\mathbf{x}) \ 011011011
 \end{array}$$

Error output → Good signature
 But this is NOT aliasing
 What is wrong?

Masking

- **Masking** (aka. **error cancellation**)
 - ♦ One error bit cancels another error bits
 - ♦ **Before** reaching MISR feedback tap points



Masking \neq Aliasing

More Careful Analysis

- Actually, error can happen anywhere in the middle
 - ♦ Error bits can get cancelled before summation

$$M_{\text{faulty}}(x) = M_0(x) + M_{\text{error}0}(x) + x^1 M_1(x) + M_{\text{error}1}(x) + x^2 M_2(x) + M_{\text{error}2}(x) + \dots$$

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | 011011 |
| $M_{\text{error}0}(x)$ | 000000 |
| | 010110 |
| $M_{\text{error}1}(x)$ | 000100 |
| | 010111 |
| $M_{\text{error}2}(x)$ | 000010 |
| | 010110 |
| \oplus | $M_{\text{error}3}(x)$ 000000 |
| <hr/> | |
| $M_{\text{faulty}}(x)$ | 011011011 |

Probability of Masking (Bardell 87)

- Probability of masking = Probability of even ones in same column

$$\begin{array}{r}
 M_{\text{error}0}(x) \quad 000000 \\
 M_{\text{error}1}(x) \quad 000100 \\
 M_{\text{error}2}(x) \quad 000010 \\
 \oplus \quad M_{\text{error}3}(x) \quad 000000 \\
 \hline
 M_{\text{error}}(x) \quad 0000000000
 \end{array}$$

- Assume all errors are equally likely, then

$$\Pr(\text{masking}) \approx 2^{1-N-K} \ll 2^{-N} = \text{PAL}$$

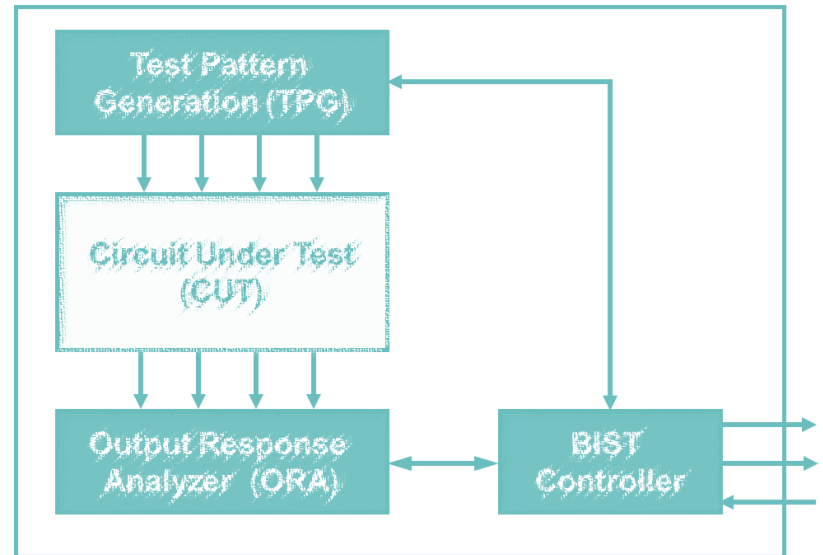
- Conclusion: Prob. of masking is much smaller than PAL

Aliasing and Masking

| | Aliasing | Masking |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Reason of happening | Error bits propagate through feedback path and cancel out with errors in later cycles | Error bit shifted down the MISR and cancelled by another error bit, before reaching feedback tap points |
| Probability | 2^{-N} | 2^{1-N-K} Smaller |
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Summary

- **MISR** (Multiple input signature register)
 - ◆ Similar to LFSR but multiple inputs
 - ◆ **Most popular parallel ORA**
 - * Small area, low PAL
- How to analyze MISR?
 - ◆ Convert to **equivalent LFSR**
- Aliasing
 - ◆ **$PAL = 2^{-N}$** . same as LFSR
- Masking
 - ◆ **Prob. much smaller than PAL**



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- Q: Why is aliasing PAL polynomial-dependent?
 - ◆ What if non-primitive polynomial

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