



Next Topic (VERY Important):

Minimization of Expression

Using *K-Map*



Switching functions can generally be simplified by using the algebraic techniques described previously.

However, two problems arise when algebraic procedures are used:

1. The procedures are difficult to apply in a systematic way.
2. It is difficult to tell when you have arrived at a minimum solution

Unfortunately, the result of this procedure may depend on the order in which terms are combined or eliminated so that the final expression obtained is not necessarily minimum.



$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{\alpha + b + c} \\ = & \alpha + b + b + c \\ & \underline{\alpha + \beta + \gamma + k} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$



Find a minimum sum-of-products expression for

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(a, b, c) &= \Sigma m (0, 1, 2, 5, 6, 7) \\
 F &= a'b'c' + a'b'c + a'bc' + ab'c + abc' + abc \\
 &= a'b' + b'c + bc' + ab \tag{5-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

None of the terms in the above expression can be eliminated by consensus. However, combining terms in a different way leads directly to a minimum sum of products:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= a'b'c' + a'b'c + a'bc' + ab'c + abc' + abc \\
 &= a'b' + bc' + ac \tag{5-2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$F = \overline{a' b' c'} + \overline{a' b' c} + \overline{a' b c'} + \overline{a b' c} + \overline{a b c'}$$

Person 1:

$$= \underbrace{\overline{a' b'} + \overline{b' c}}_{\text{Irredundant Expression}} + \overline{b c'} + \overline{a b}$$

Can Not be further minimize

Problems with Algebraic method:

- ① Non-systematic
- ② Error prone
- ③ Result may depend on order in which we apply this method.
- ④ We cannot tell whether we got minimum exp or not.



Find a minimum sum-of-products expression for

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(a, b, c) &= \sum m (0, 1, 2, 5, 6, 7) \\
 F &= a'b'c' + a'b'c + a'bc' + ab'c + abc' + abc \\
 &= (a'b') + (b'c) + (bc') + (ab) \quad (5-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

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 &= (a'b') + (bc') + (ac) \quad (5-2)
 \end{aligned}$$



Last two expressions are Irredundant Sum-of-Products Expressions (We will come back to it later)
So, we can't minimize both the expressions further using Boolean algebraic identities.

So, How do we know in which order to combine terms to get minimum size expression ?

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The Karnaugh map method overcomes these difficulties by providing systematic methods for simplifying switching functions.

The Karnaugh maps introduced next arranges the minterms of a function in such a way that it is easy to recognize visually how to combine terms to get minimum expression.

$$f = a + b \rightarrow \underline{\text{SOP}} \checkmark (a) + (b)$$

$$f = (\bar{a}\bar{b}) + (\bar{a}b) + (ab) \rightarrow \underline{\text{SOP}} \checkmark$$

minimum SOP

$$f = a + b + ab \rightarrow \underline{\text{SOP}}$$

Coditional SOP



K-map is used to get :

minimum sum-of-products expression for a function.

as well as

minimum product-of-sums expression for a function.



A minimum sum-of-products expression for a function is defined as a sum of product terms which

- (a) has a minimum number of terms and
- (b) of all those expressions which have the same minimum number of terms, has a minimum number of literals.

Unlike the minterm expansion(Canonical SOP) for a function, the minimum sum of products is not necessarily unique; that is, a given function may have two different minimum sum-of-products forms, each with the same number of terms and the same number of literals.

m SOP (minimum SOP)

$$\rho_1 + \rho_2 + \rho_3 + \rho_4$$

m POS (minimum POS)

$(s_1)(s_2)(s_3) \rightarrow 3 \text{ terms}$

4 terms



A minimum product-of-sums expression for a function is defined as a product of sum terms which

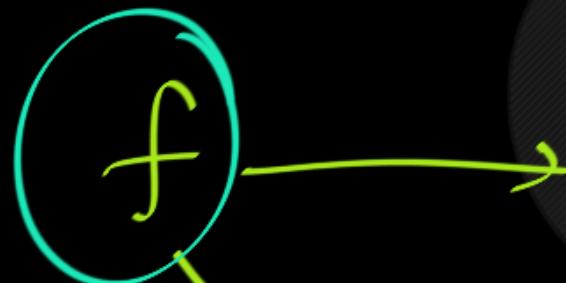
- (a) has a minimum number of terms, and
- (b) of all those expressions which have the same number of terms, has a minimum number of literals.

Unlike the maxterm expansion, the minimum product-of-sums form of a function is not necessarily unique. A given function may have two different minimum product-of-sum forms, each with the same number of terms and the same number of literals.



Canonical SOP } unique

C POS



$$\underline{\text{C SOP}} = \sum_m (f=1) = \underline{\text{unique}}$$

$$\underline{\text{C POS}} = \prod_m (f=0) = \underline{\text{unique}}$$



Minimization of Boolean Functions using Karnaugh Maps

Maurice Karnaugh 1953



Minimization

- Minimization can be done using

- Boolean algebra

- To combine terms

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

- Or equivalently

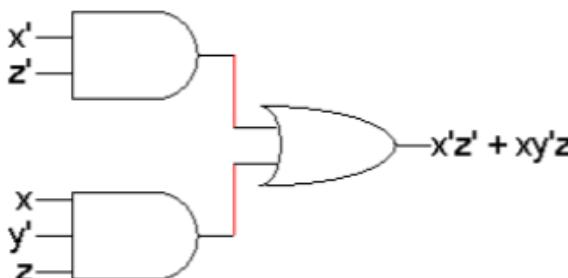
- Karnaugh maps

- Visual identification of terms that can be combined



Karnaugh Maps

- Applications of Boolean logic to circuit design
 - The basic Boolean operations are AND, OR and NOT
 - These operations can be combined to form complex expressions, which can also be directly translated into a hardware circuit
 - Boolean algebra helps us simplify expressions and circuits
- Karnaugh Map: A graphical technique for simplifying an expression into a **minimal sum of products (MSP)** form:
 - There are a minimal number of product terms in the expression
 - Each term has a minimal number of literals
- Circuit-wise, this leads to a *minimal/two-level implementation*

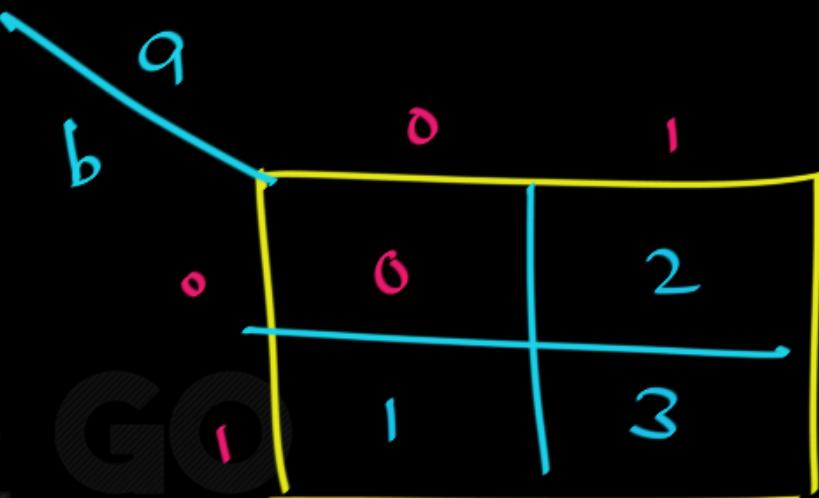
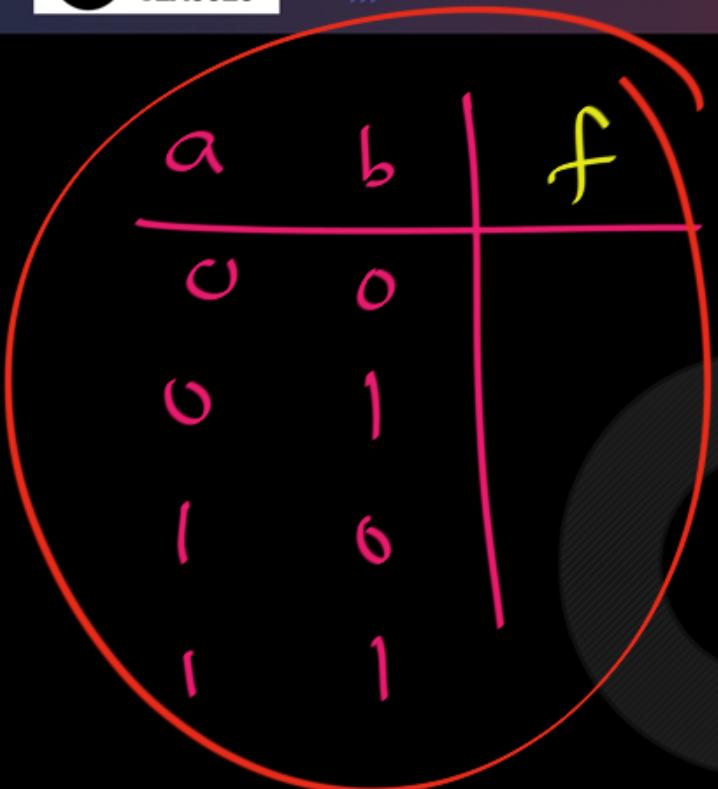




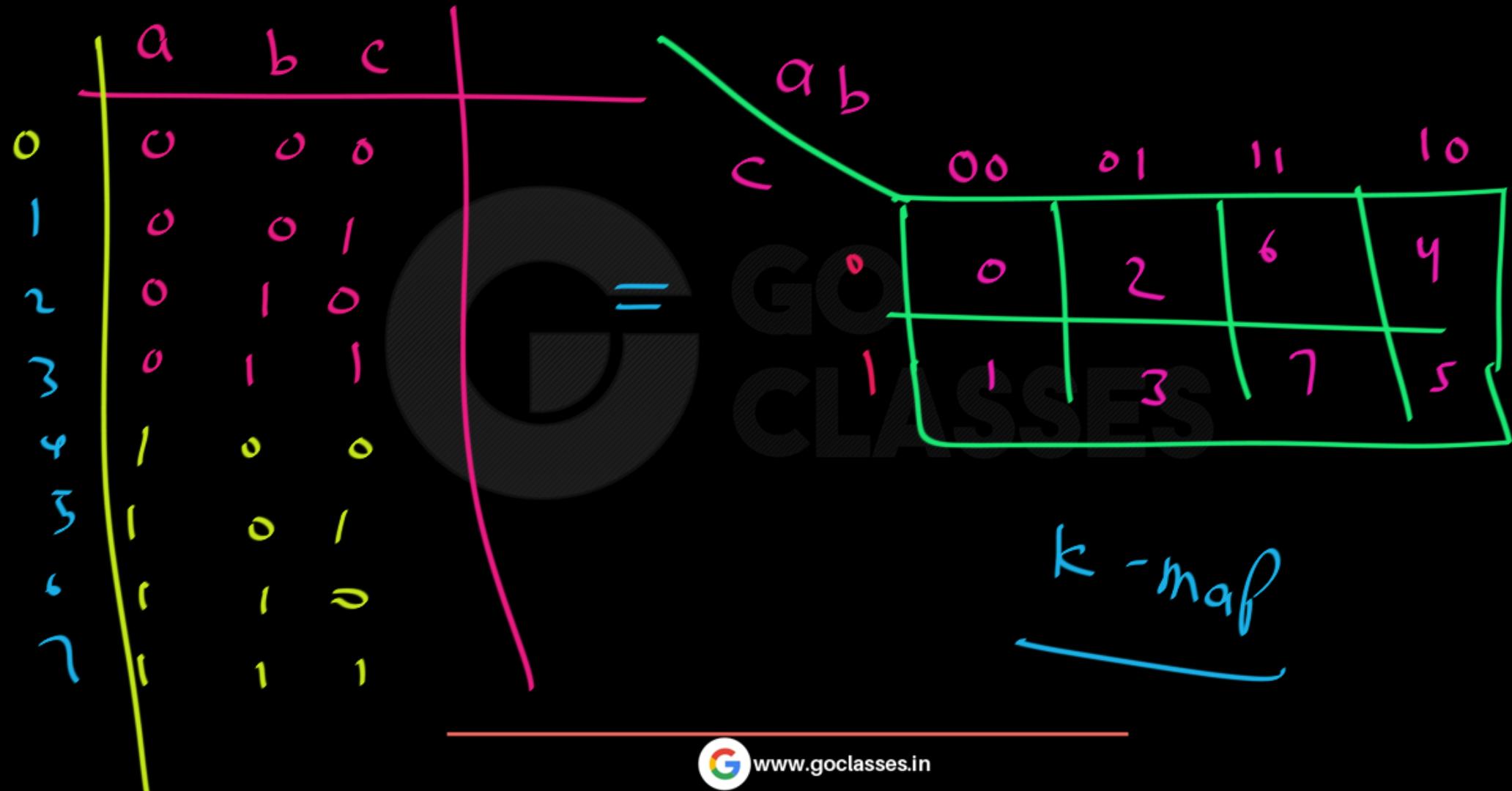
A Karnaugh map (K-map) is a pictorial method used to minimize Boolean expressions without having to use Boolean algebra theorems and equation manipulations.

A K-map can be thought of as a special version of a truth table, designed to ease the minimization.

Using a K-map, expressions with upto four variables are easily minimized.



K - map





The Map Method

Algebraic procedure to combine terms using the $Aa + Aa' = A$ rule

Karnaugh map: modified form of truth table

		xy	00	01	11	10
		z	0	2	6	4
		0	0	1	3	7
1	0	1	3	7	5	
	1					

(a) Location of minterms in a three-variable map.

		xy	00	01	11	10
		z	0	1	1	
		1			1	
1	0					
	1					

(b) Map for function $f(x,y,z) = \sum(2,6,7) = yz' + xy$.

		wx	00	01	11	10
		yz	00	4	12	8
		00	0	1	3	2
01	0	1	5	13	9	
	1					
11	0	3	7	15	11	
	1					
10	0	2	6	14	10	
	1					

(c) Location of minterms in a four-variable map.

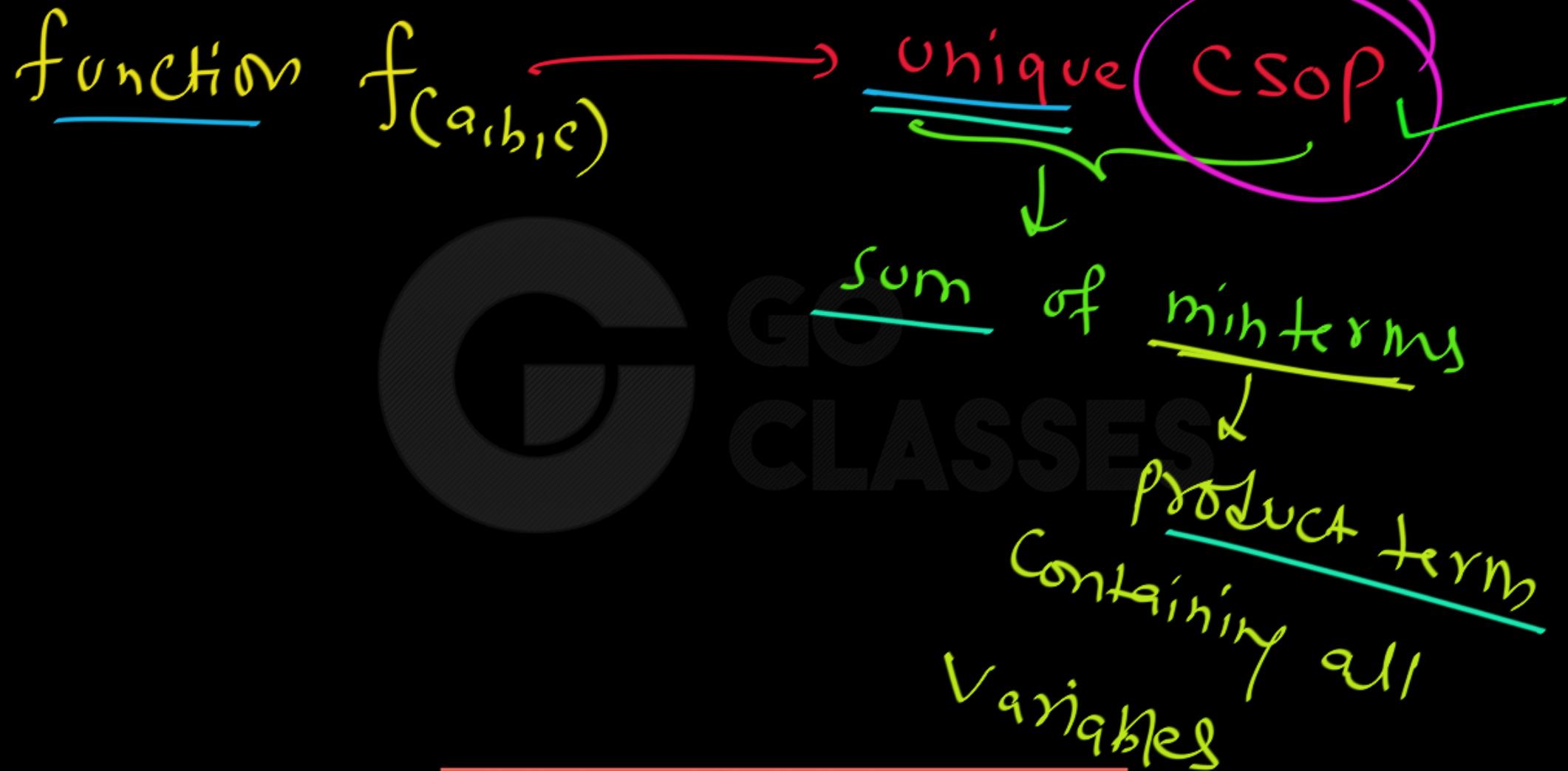
		wx	00	01	11	10
		yz	00	1	1	1
		01	1	1	1	
11	0					
	1					
10	0					
	1					

(d) Map for function $f(w,x,y,z) = \sum(4,5,8,12,13,14,15) = wx + xy' + wy'z'$.



Next Topic:

Idea Behind K-map



Karnaugh:

Starts

with csop form.

$$\text{csop} = m_i + m_j + m_k + \dots$$

Two

minterms at a time

which two minterms you can
Combine (reduce) ?, ?

$$\overline{m_4}, \overline{m_6}$$

$$\overline{a}(\overline{b})\overline{c} + \overline{a}\overline{b}\overline{c}$$

$$a c' (b + \overline{b})$$

$$= a c'$$

$$\overline{m_4}, \overline{m_7} \rightarrow 111$$

$$a \overline{b} \overline{c} + a b c$$

cannot be reduced.

$$\overline{a} b c + \overline{a} \overline{b} c$$

$$m_i + m_j$$

Combine / Reduce

only if one variable
changes

$$\cancel{\overline{a}bc} + \cancel{a\overline{bc}}$$

\overline{bc}

Variable which
changes is
Removed. ✓

$$a(\overline{b})cd + a(\overline{b})cd = acd \checkmark$$

K-map

$f(a_1 b_1 c)$

		ab	00	01	11	10	
		c	0	m ₀	m ₂	m ₆	m ₄
c	0	000	m ₀	010	m ₂	110	m ₆
	1	001	m ₁	011	m ₃	111	m ₇

Idea behind k-map:

Truth Table of any f is represented
in such a way (in matrix format) that Adjacent cells
differ by only one variable.

$f(a, b)$

	0	1
0	m_0	m_1
1	m_2	m_3

$f(a, b, c)$

	00	01	11	10
0	0	2	6	4
1	1	3	7	5

$$a \underline{b} \underline{c} = \underline{\underline{01}} \underline{1} = m_3$$



$$\underline{f(a, b, c, d)} = \cancel{c} \cancel{d}^{\cancel{ab}}$$

Ans

		00	01	11	10
		0000 m_0	0100 m_4	12	1000 m_8
		0001 m_1	0101 m_5	13	m_9
		0011 m_3	0111 m_7	15	m_{11}
		0010 m_2	0110 m_6	14	m_{10}



$f(a, b, c, d) = \overline{ab} \overline{cd}$

	00	01	11	10
00	0	4	12	8
01	1	5	13	9
11	3	7	15	11
10	2	6	14	10

$$f(a, b, c) = \overline{abc}$$

	00	01	11	10
0	0	2	1	4
1	1	3	7	5

a	b	c	00	01	11	10
0	0	0	1	3	2	6
1	1	0	4	5	7	8

$\Rightarrow abc = 001$

a	b	c	00	01	11	10
0	0	0	1	3	5	4
1	1	0	2	7	6	8

$$f(a,b,c)$$

a	b	c	f(a,b,c)
0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1

$$f(a,b,c,d)$$

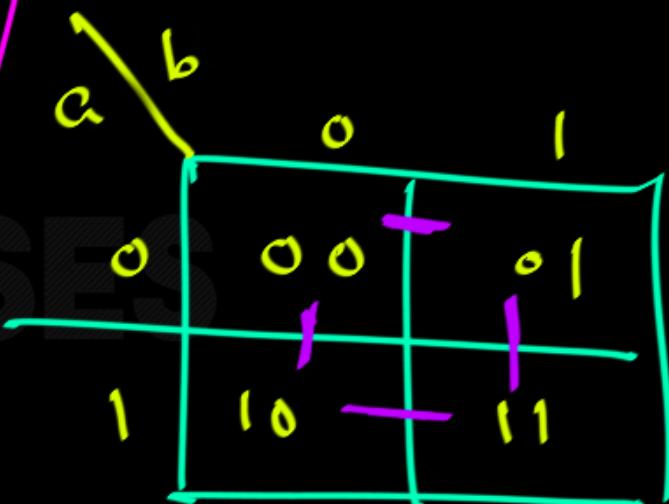
a	b	c	d	f(a,b,c,d)
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	1
0	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0
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1	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	1

Ex: Truth Table Representation of f

a	b	f
0	0	
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

Adjacent minterms
Do not differ
by only one
variable

R-map Rep
of f :





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		01				
		11				
		10				

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		01	1	1		
		11			1	
		10			1	

(d) Map for function $f(w,x,y,z) = \sum(4,5,8,12,13,14,15) = wx + xy' + wy'z'$.



Karnaugh Maps (K-map)

- Alternate representation of a truth table

To make minimization easy.

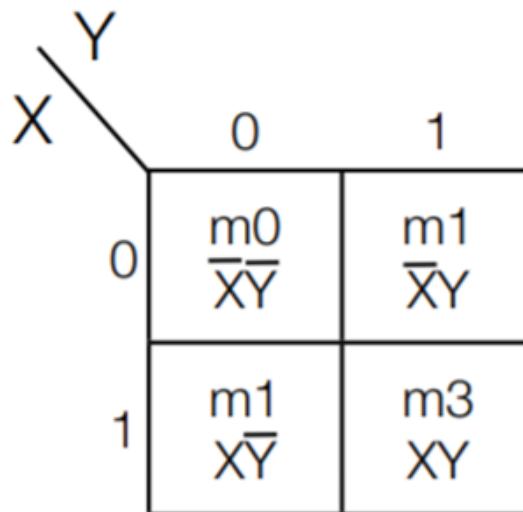
Adjacent cells differ by one variable only.



Karnaugh maps

- All functions can be expressed with a map
- There is one square in the map for each minterm in a function's truth table

X	Y	F
0	0	m0
0	1	m1
1	0	m2
1	1	m3





Cell in k-map = a minterm





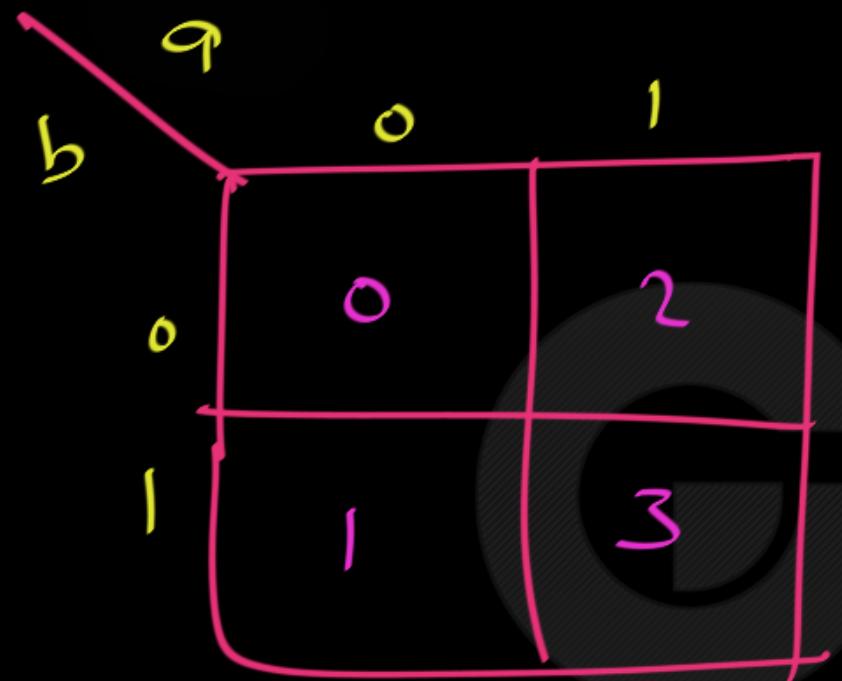
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Adjacent Cells
& Cubes in K-map



Adjacent minterms/cells in k-map;

Two cells/minterms (m_i, m_j) are called Adjacent/Neighbours iff they differ by Exactly one variable.



$(0, 3) \times$
 $\underline{\underline{00}} \quad \underline{\underline{11}}$

Adjacent cells :

$(0, 1)$ ✓
 $\underline{\underline{00}} \quad \underline{\underline{10}}$

$(1, 2) \times$
 $\underline{\underline{01}} \quad \underline{\underline{10}}$

$(0, 1)$ ✓
 $\underline{\underline{00}} \quad \underline{\underline{01}}$

$(2, 3) \times$
 $\underline{\underline{10}} \quad \underline{\underline{11}}$



$$f(a,b,c) =$$

$a \backslash b \backslash c$

		00	01	11	10	
		0	1	2	6	4
		1	1	3	7	5
0	0	0	1	2	6	4
1	1	1	1	3	7	5

$(0,6) \times$
 $\underline{000} \quad \underline{110}$

$(3,6) \times$

Adjacent cells:

$(0,2)$ ✓
 \downarrow
 $\underline{000} \quad \underline{010}$

$(6,7)$ ✓
 $\checkmark \quad \underline{110} \quad \underline{111}$

$$f(a,b,c) =$$

$a \backslash b$

	00	01	11	10
0	0	2	6	4
1	1	3	7	5

$$(0,5) \times$$

$\underline{0} \underline{0} \underline{0}$ $\underline{0} \underline{1}$

$$(1,4) \times$$

$\underline{0} \underline{0} \underline{1}$ $\underline{1} \underline{0} \underline{1}$

Adjacent cells:

(0,4)

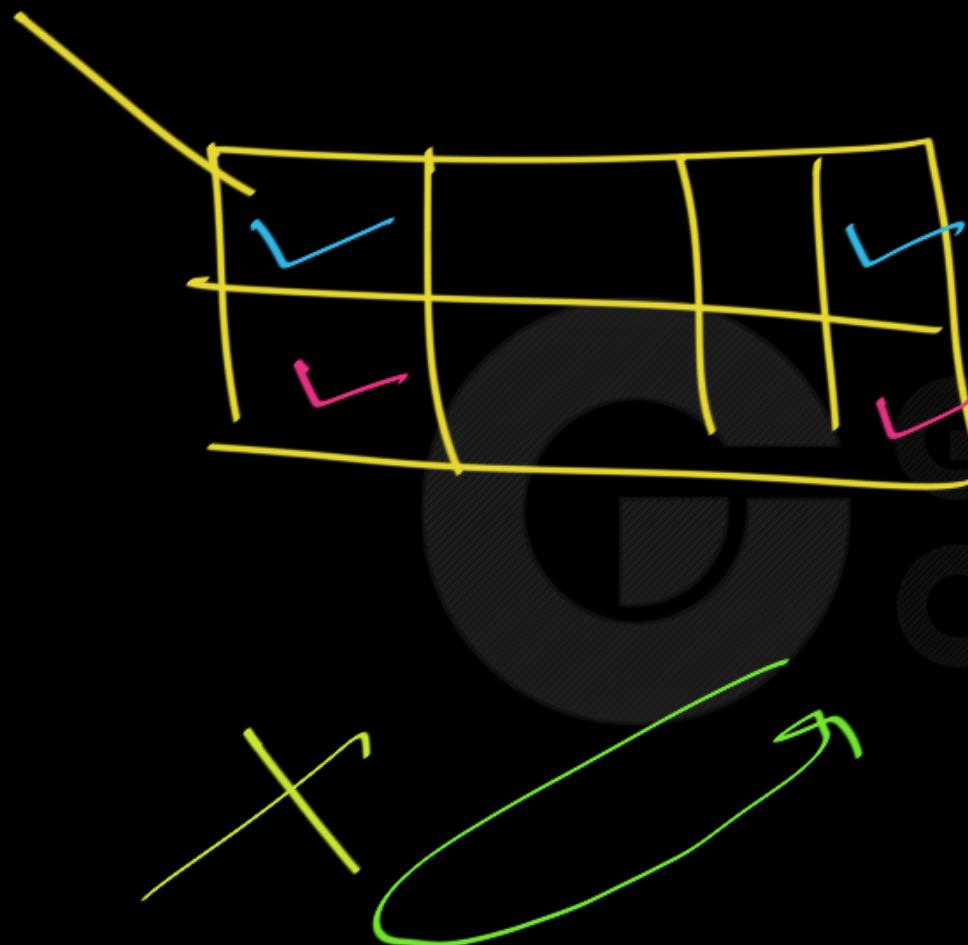
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(1,5)

$\underline{\underline{0}} \underline{\underline{0}} \underline{\underline{1}}$ $\underline{\underline{1}} \underline{\underline{0}} \underline{\underline{1}}$



Digital Logic



Snake game
in Nokia:



$a\backslash b$	00	01	11	10	
c \ d	00	0	4	12	8
00	0	1	5	13	9
01	3	7	15	11	
11	2	6	14	10	
10					

(5, 13) ✓
(4, 6) ✓

(12, 14) ✓
(0, 10) ✓

Adjacent Cells

(5, 13) ✓

(5, 7) ✓

(0, 8) ✓

(1, 9) ✓

(3, 11) ✓

(2, 10) ✓

$a\backslash b$	00	01	11	10	
c \ d	00	0	4	12	8
01	1	5	13	9	
11	3	7	15	11	
10	2	6	14	10	

Adjacent Cells

$(8, 2) \times$
 $\downarrow \quad \swarrow$
 $\underline{0} \underline{0} \underline{0} \quad \underline{0} \underline{0} \underline{1} \underline{0}$

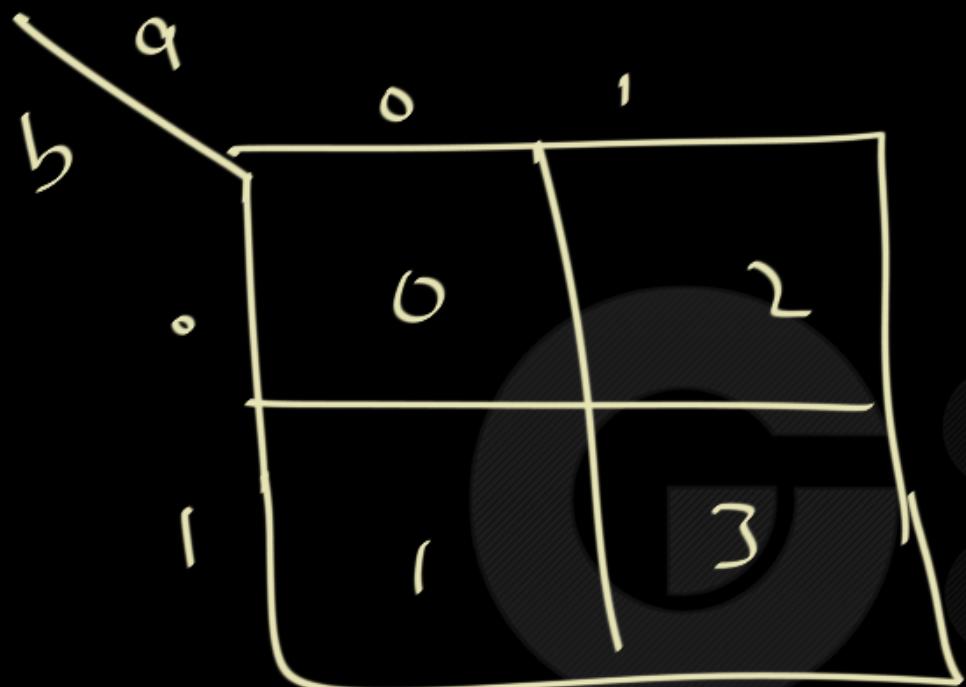
$(6, 2) \checkmark$ $(12, 14) \checkmark$
 $(4, 6) \checkmark$ $(0, 10) \checkmark$

$(0, 10) \times$
 $(0, 3) \times$

Cube in k-mop:

Group of 2^m cells ($m \geq 0$)

such that Every cell is Adjacent
to Exactly m cells in the group



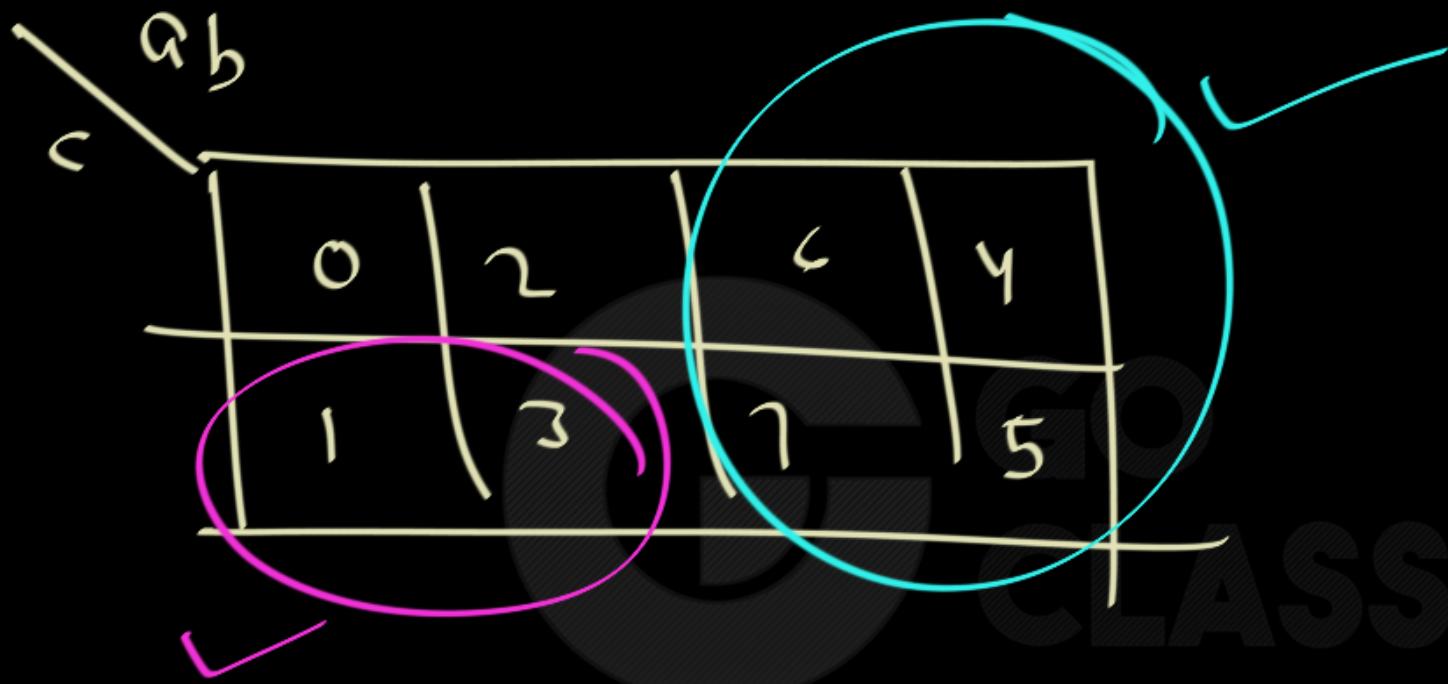
$(0,1,1) \rightarrow 2^m \text{ cells} X$

Cube:
 $(0,2) \rightarrow 2^1 \text{ cells}$

$(0,3) \rightarrow 2^1 \text{ cells}$

$(0,1) \rightarrow 2^2 \text{ cells}$

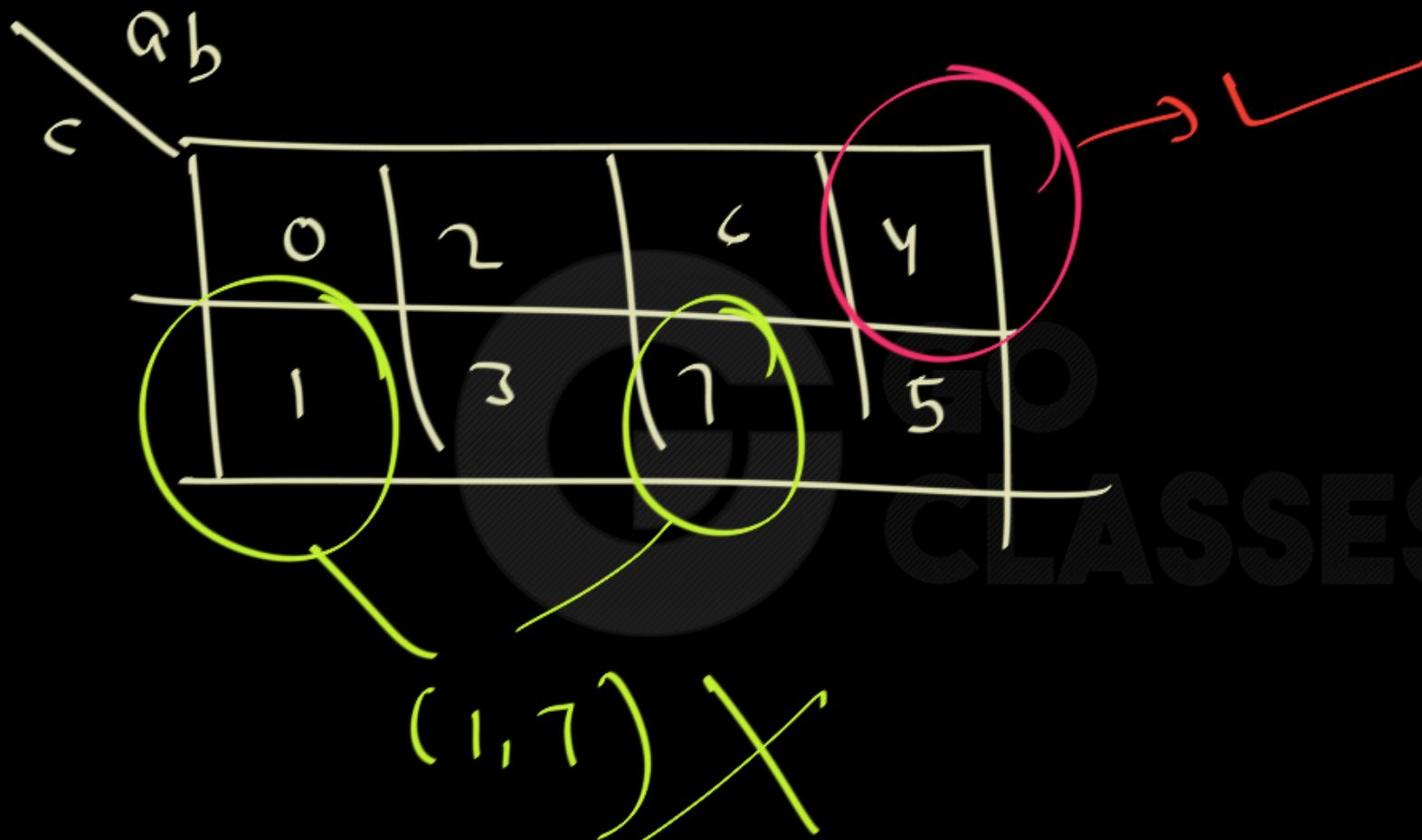
$(0,1,2,3) \rightarrow 2^2 \text{ cells}$

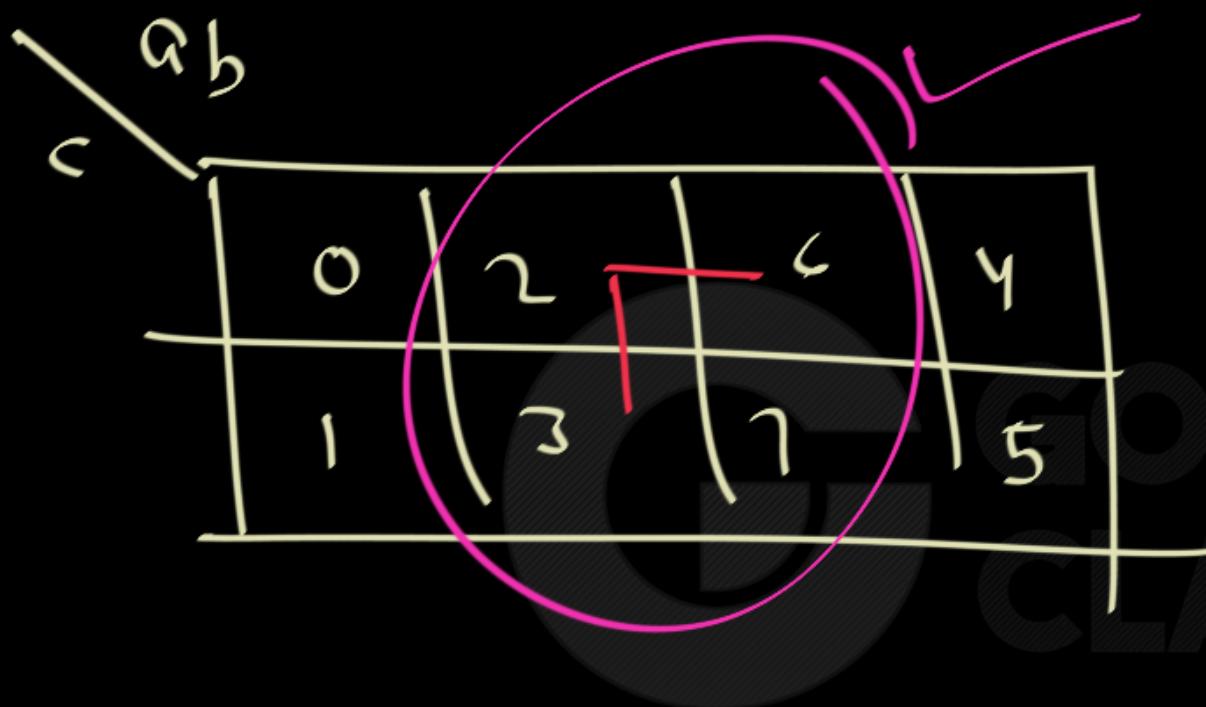


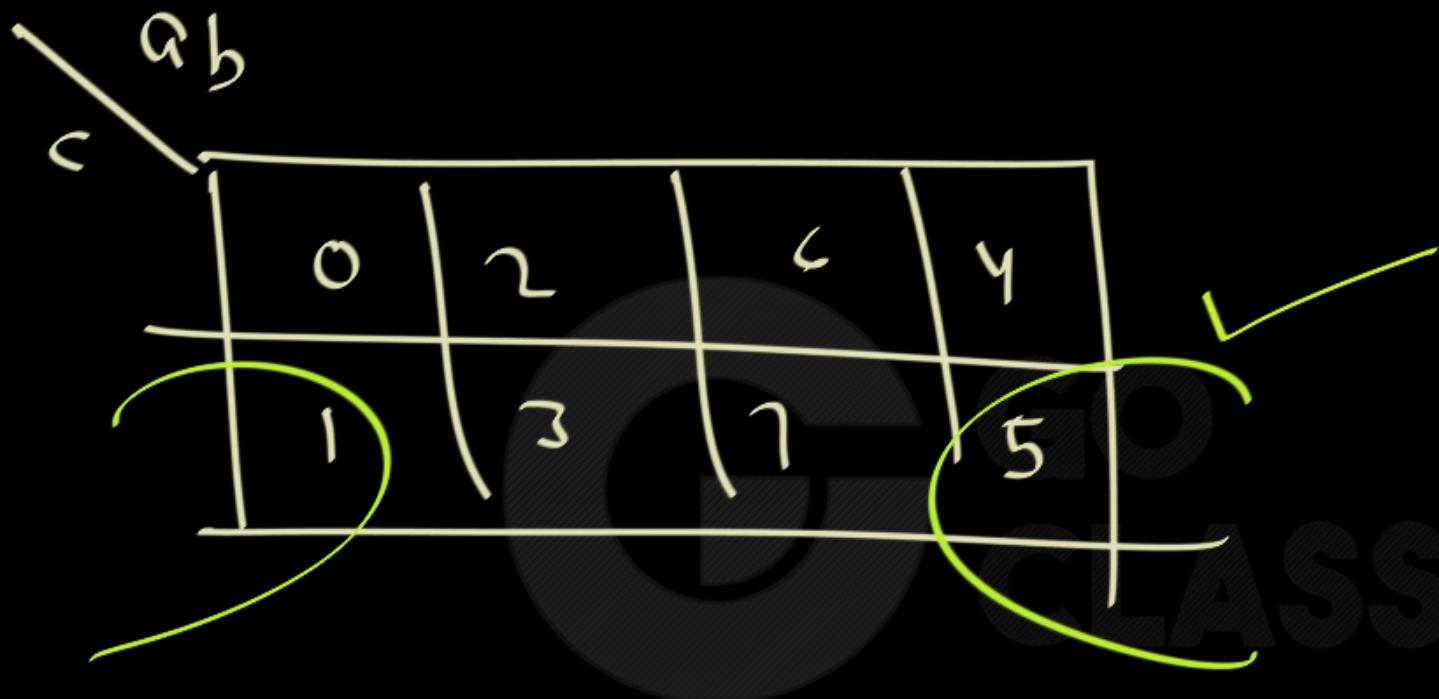
Cubes

(4, 5, 6, 7)

(1, 3)





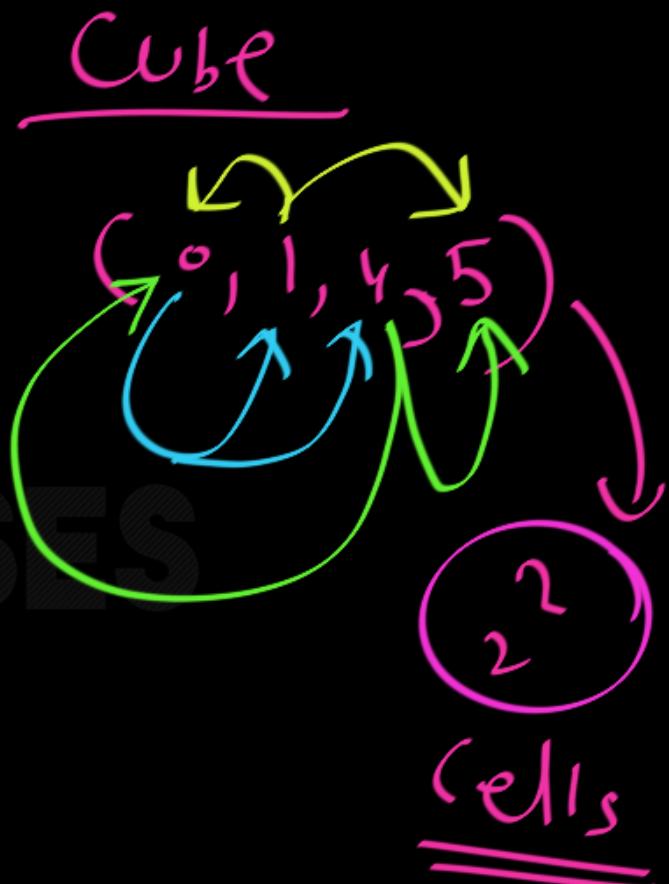
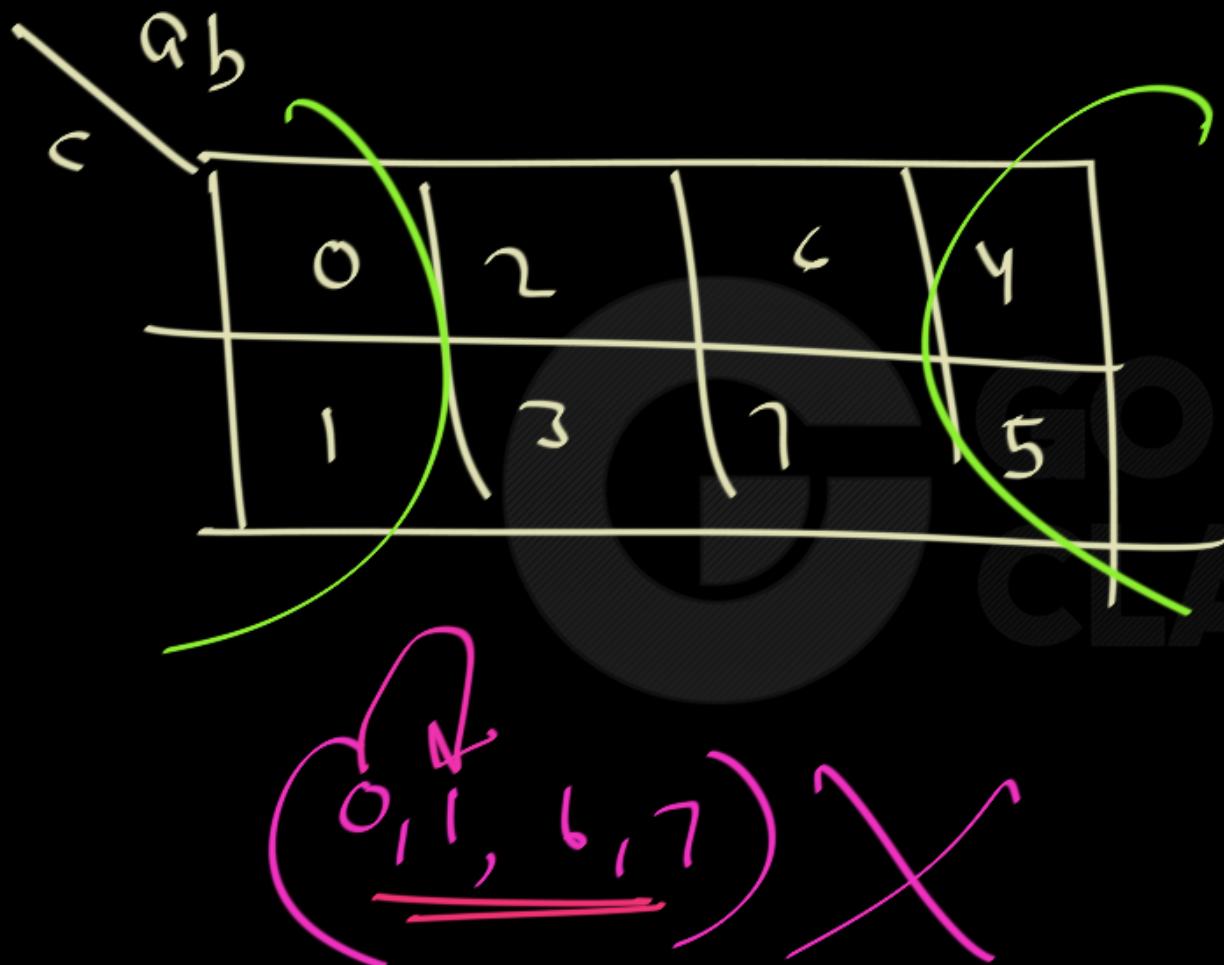


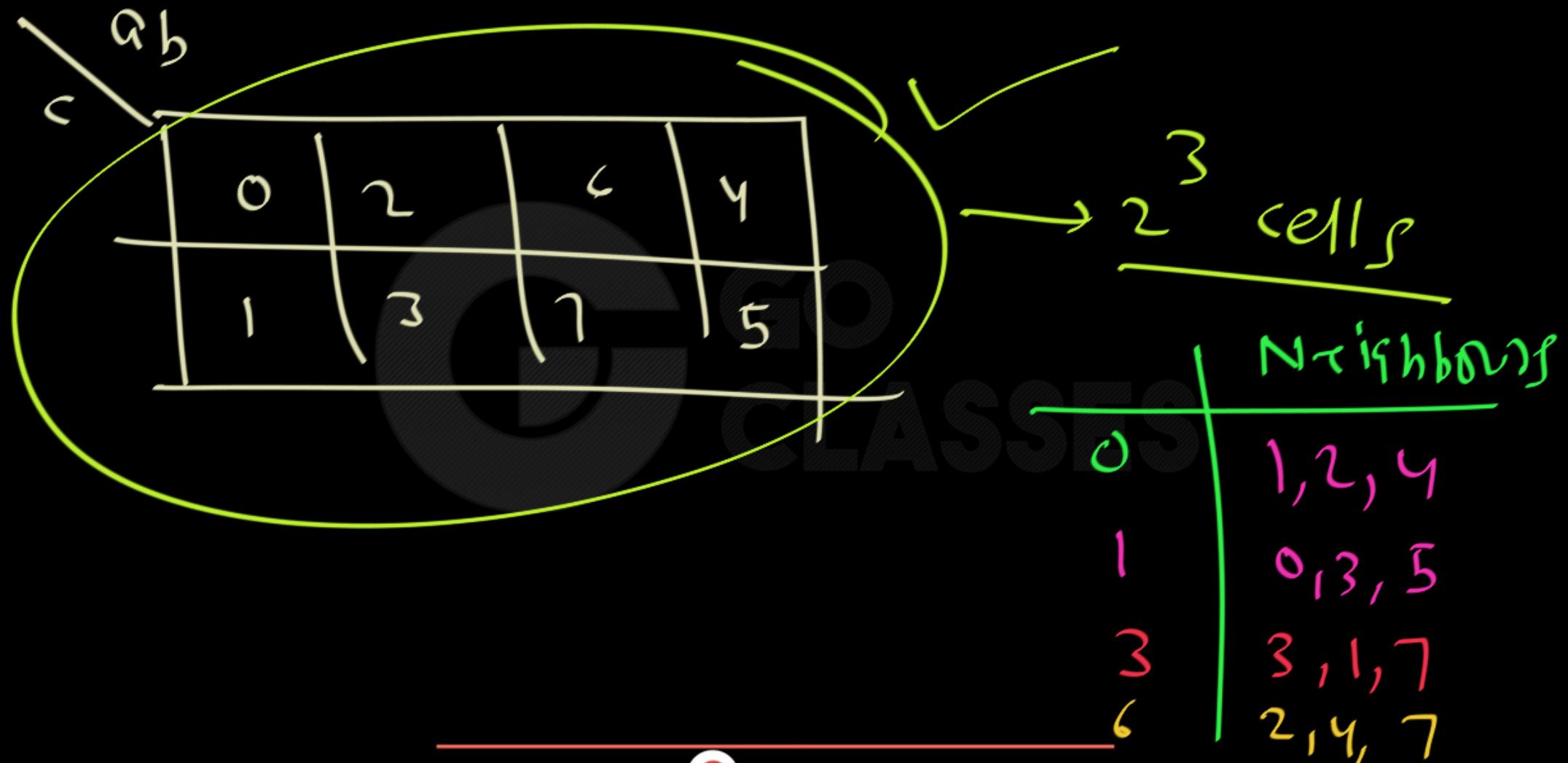
(1, 5) ✓

(1, 4) X

(0, 1) ✓

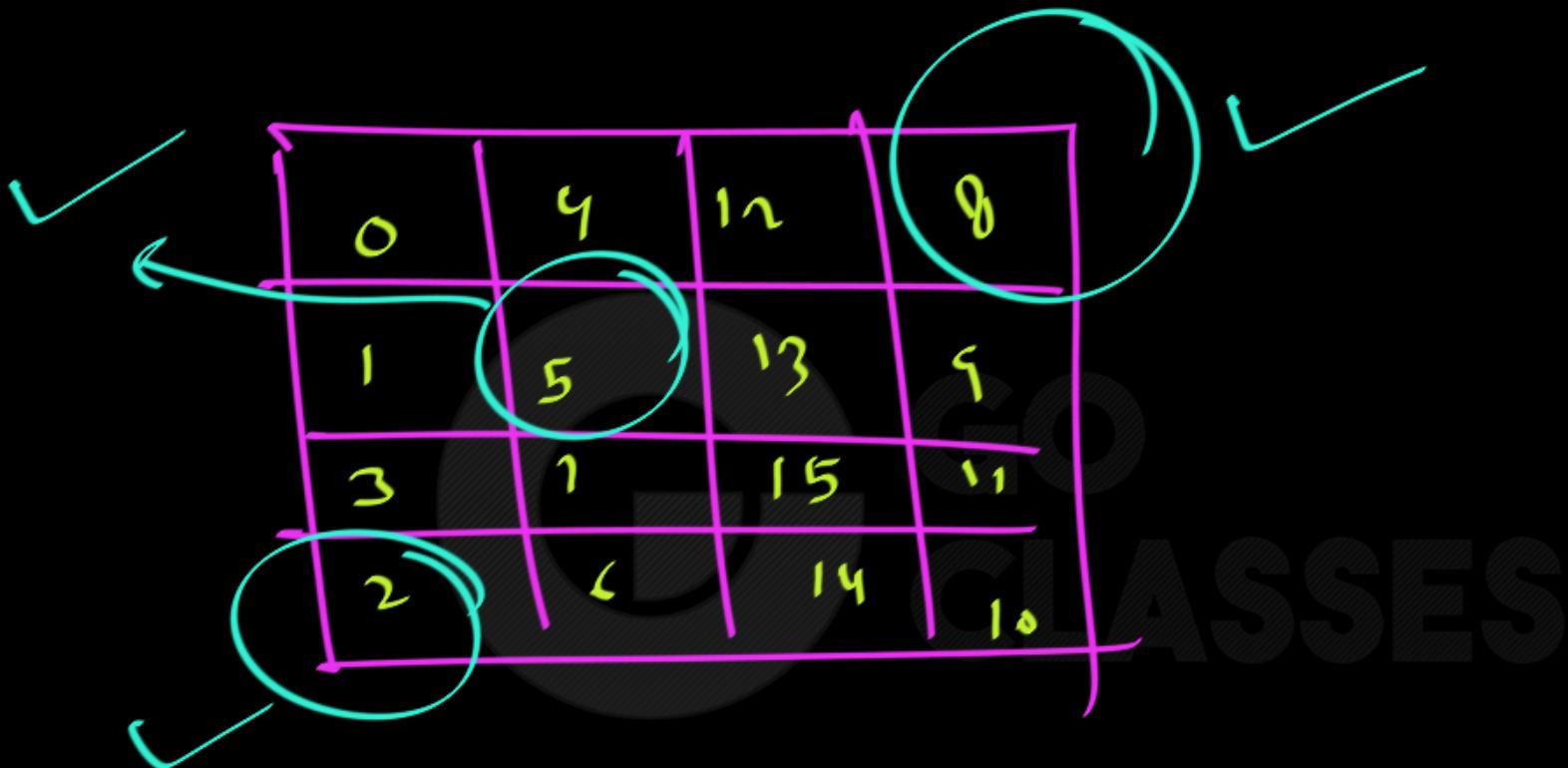
(0, 2, 6) X

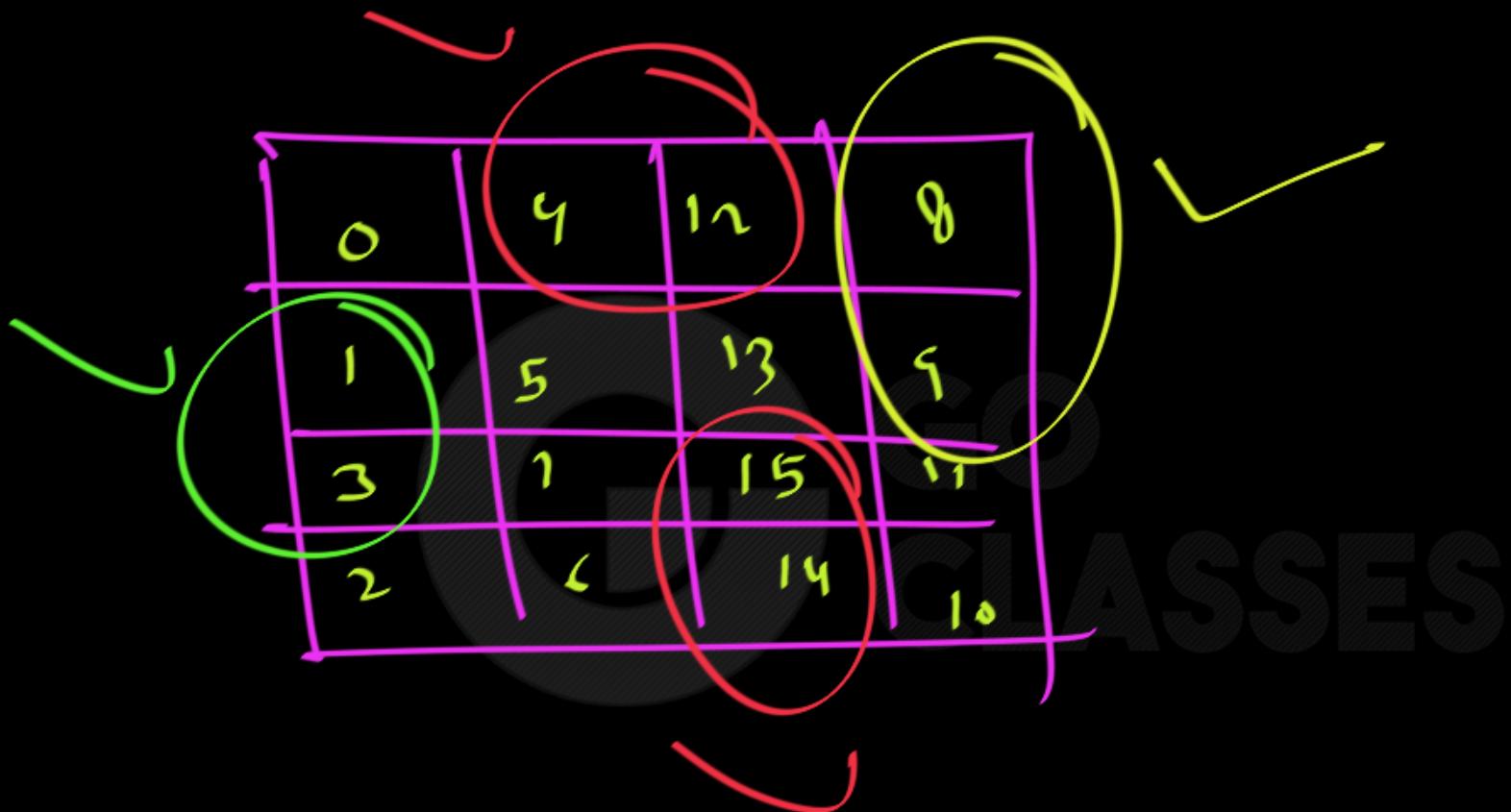






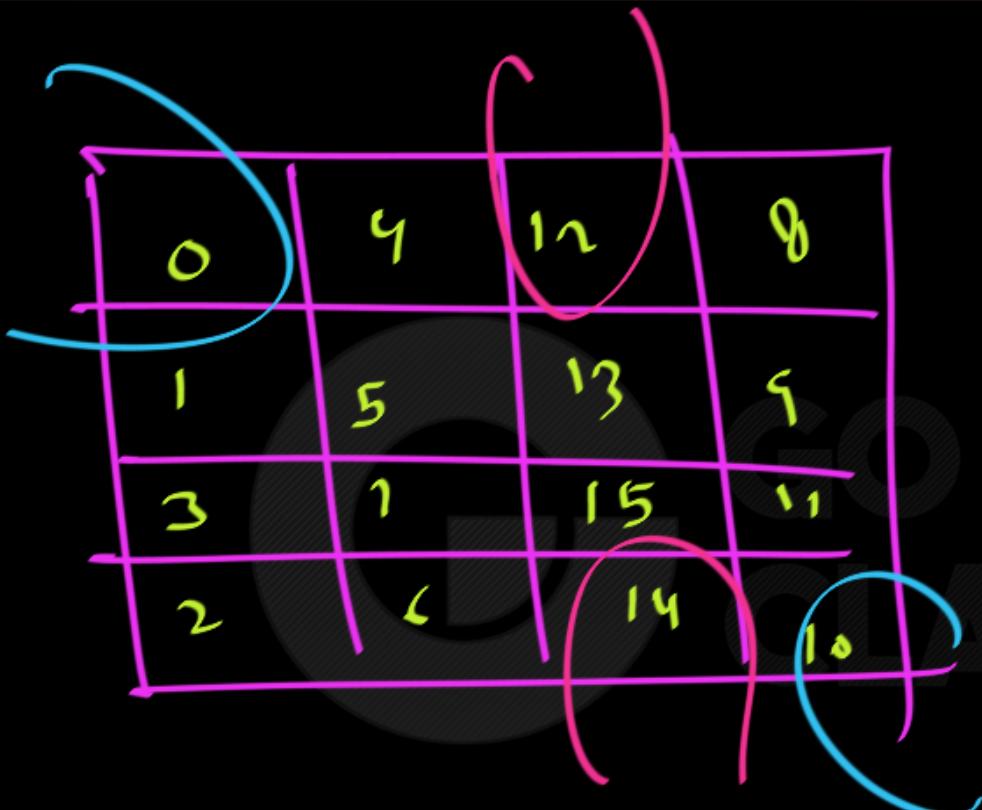
Digital Logic







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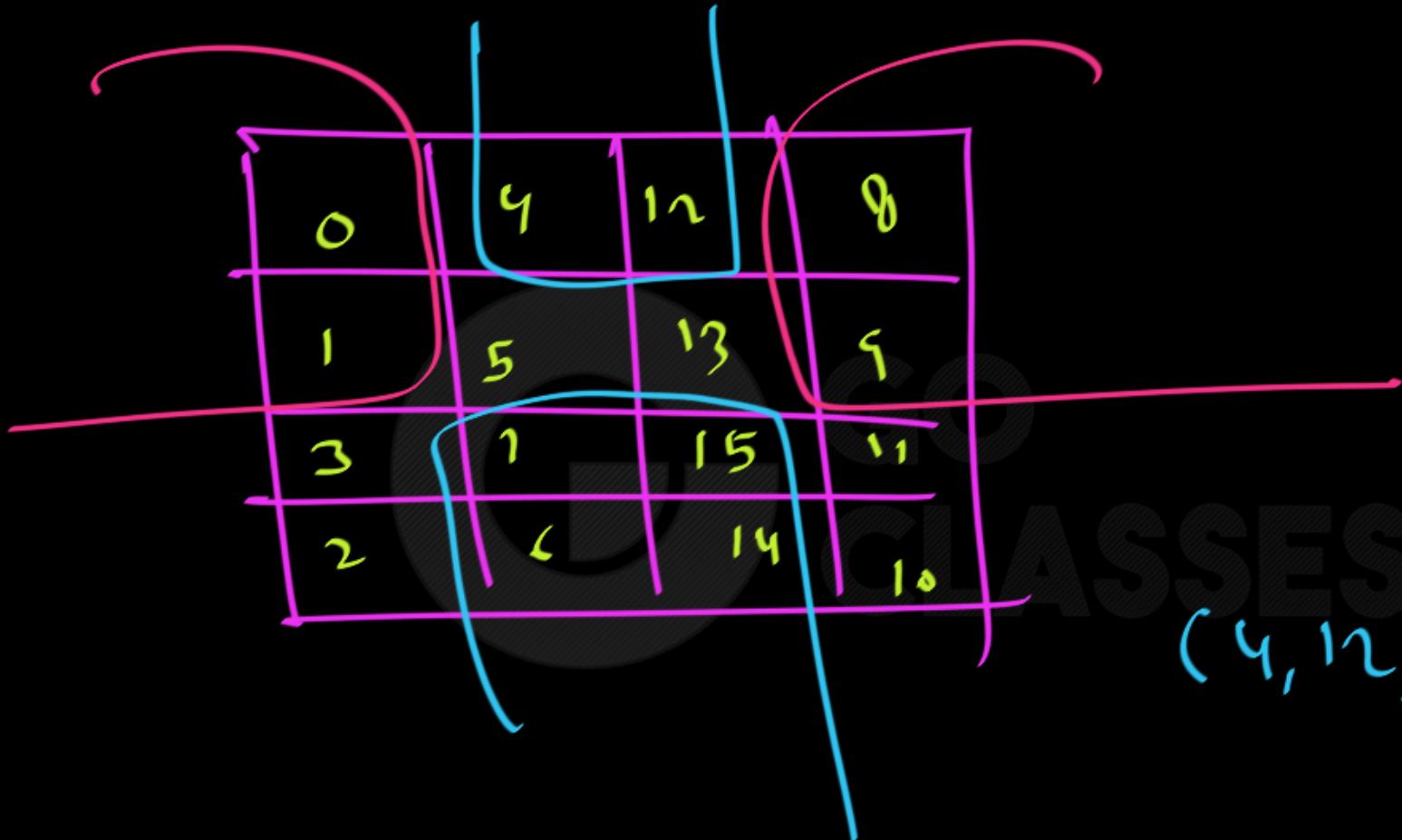


(12, 14) ✓

(12, 2) ✗

(8, 10) ✓

(0, 10) ✗

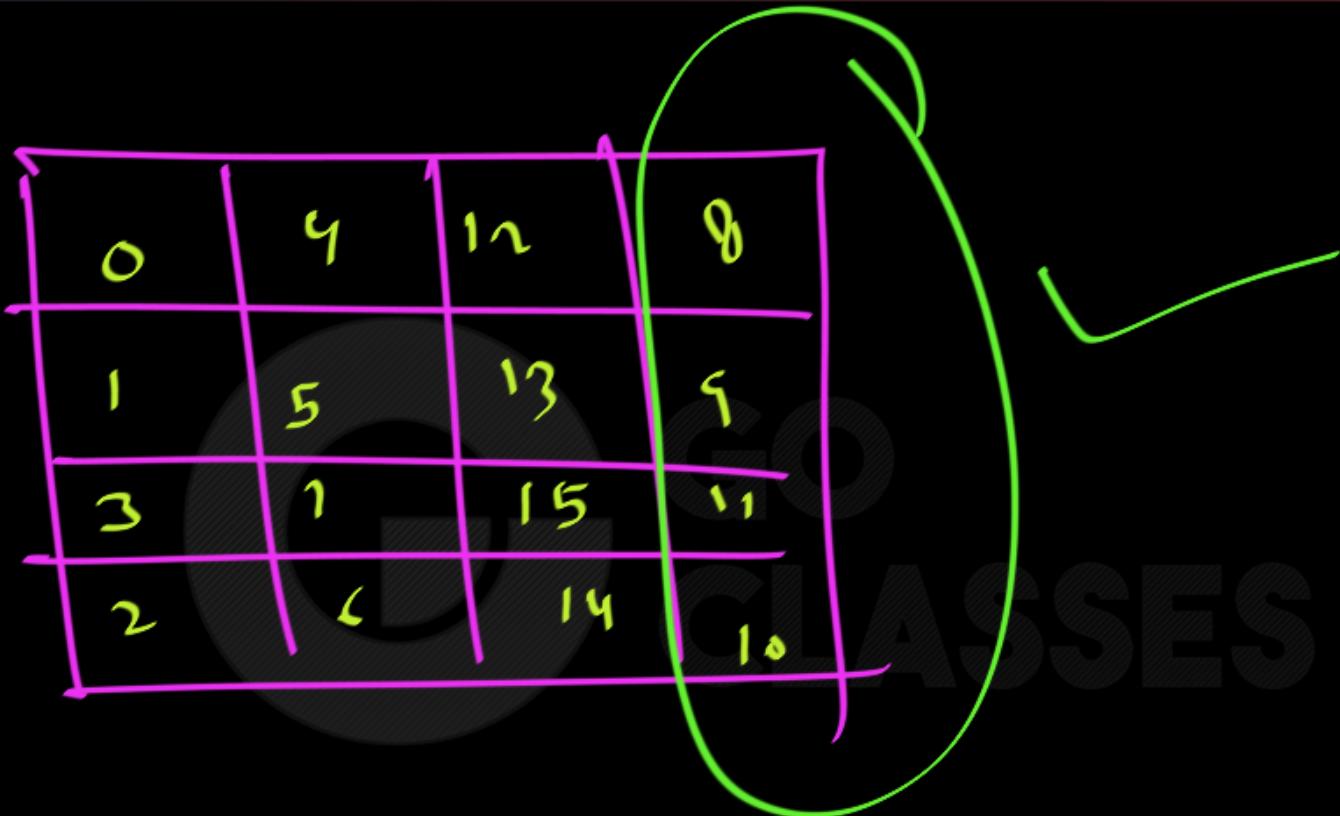


(0, 1, 8, 19)

(4, 12, 7, 6, 14, 15) X



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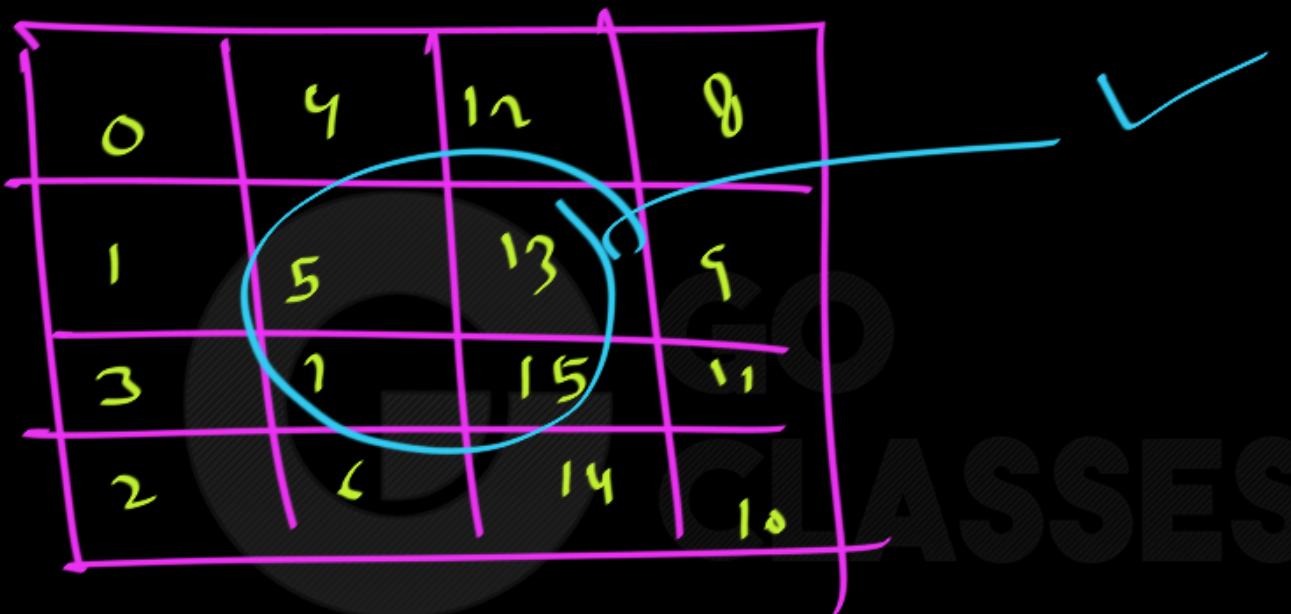


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0	4	12	8
1	5	13	9
3	1	15	11
2	6	14	10



Digital Logic





Digital Logic

0	4	12	8
1	5	13	9
3	1	15	11
2	16	14	10



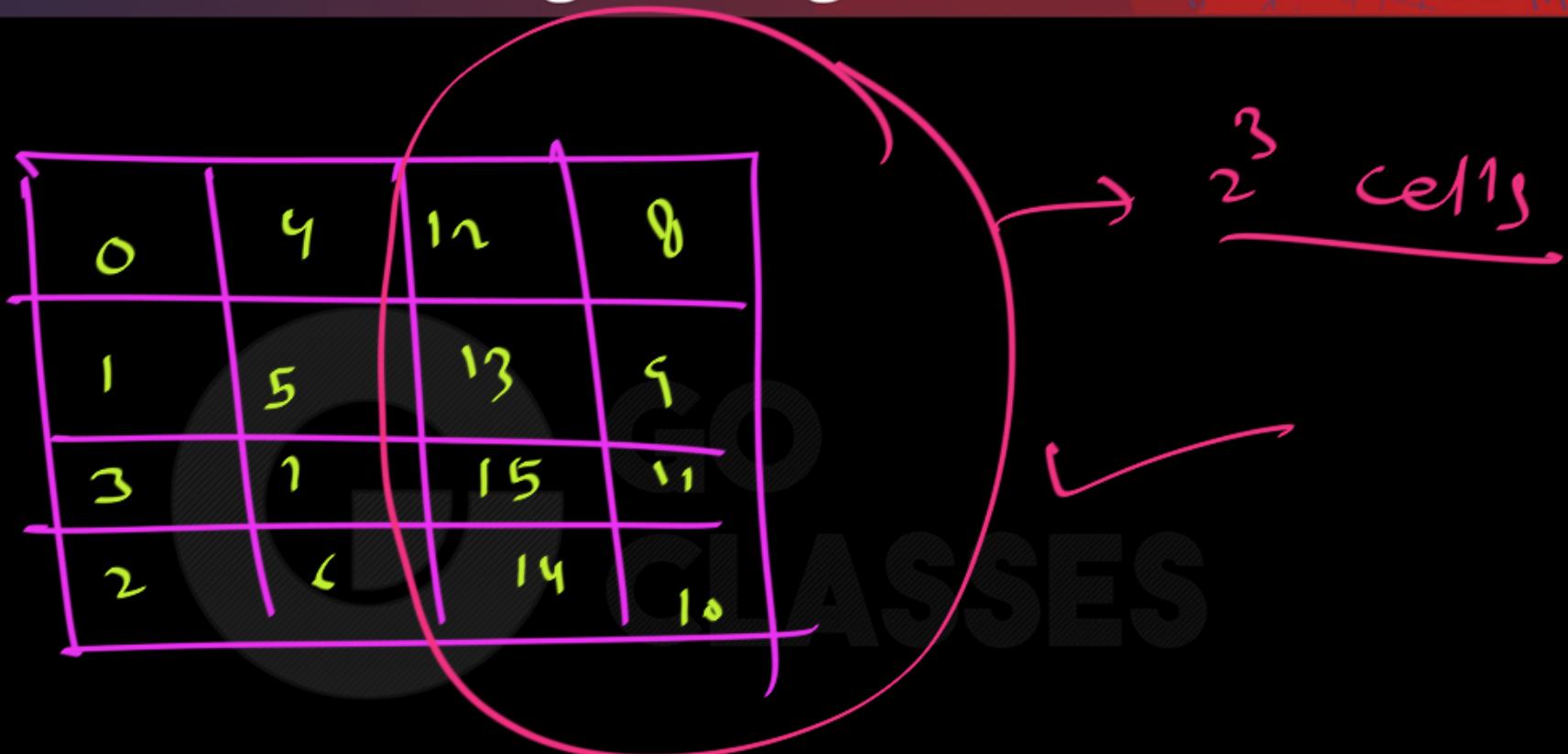
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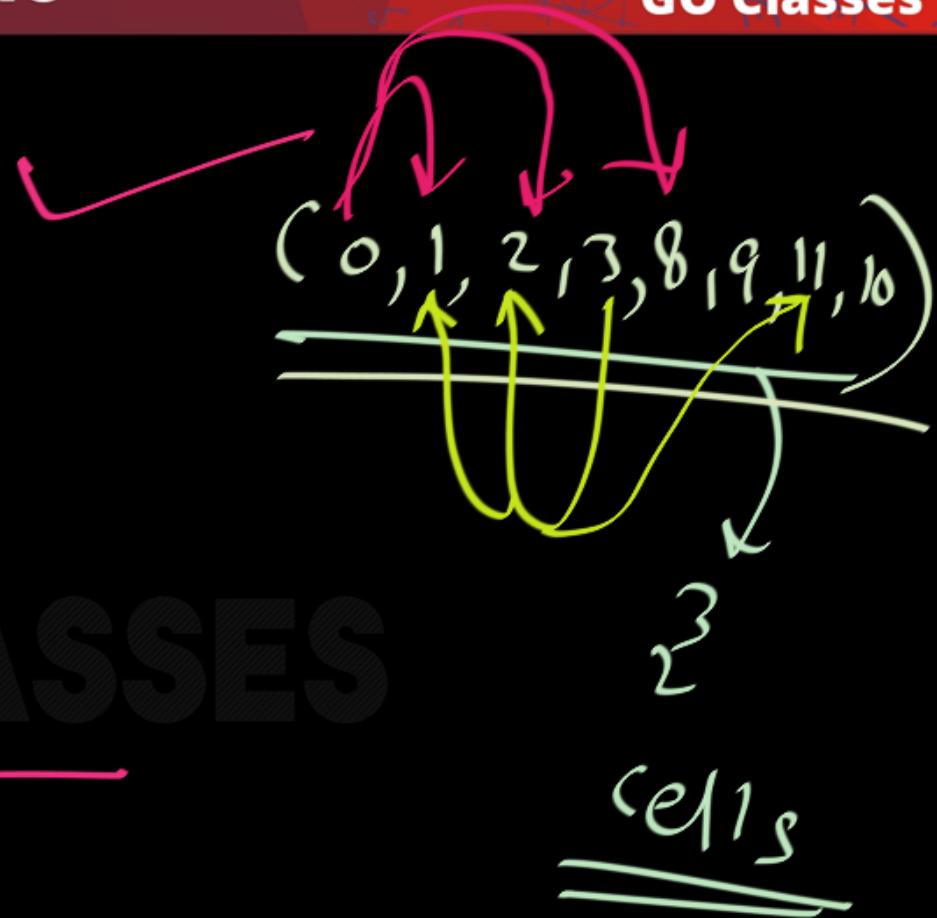
(0, 2, 8, 10) ✓
22
cells



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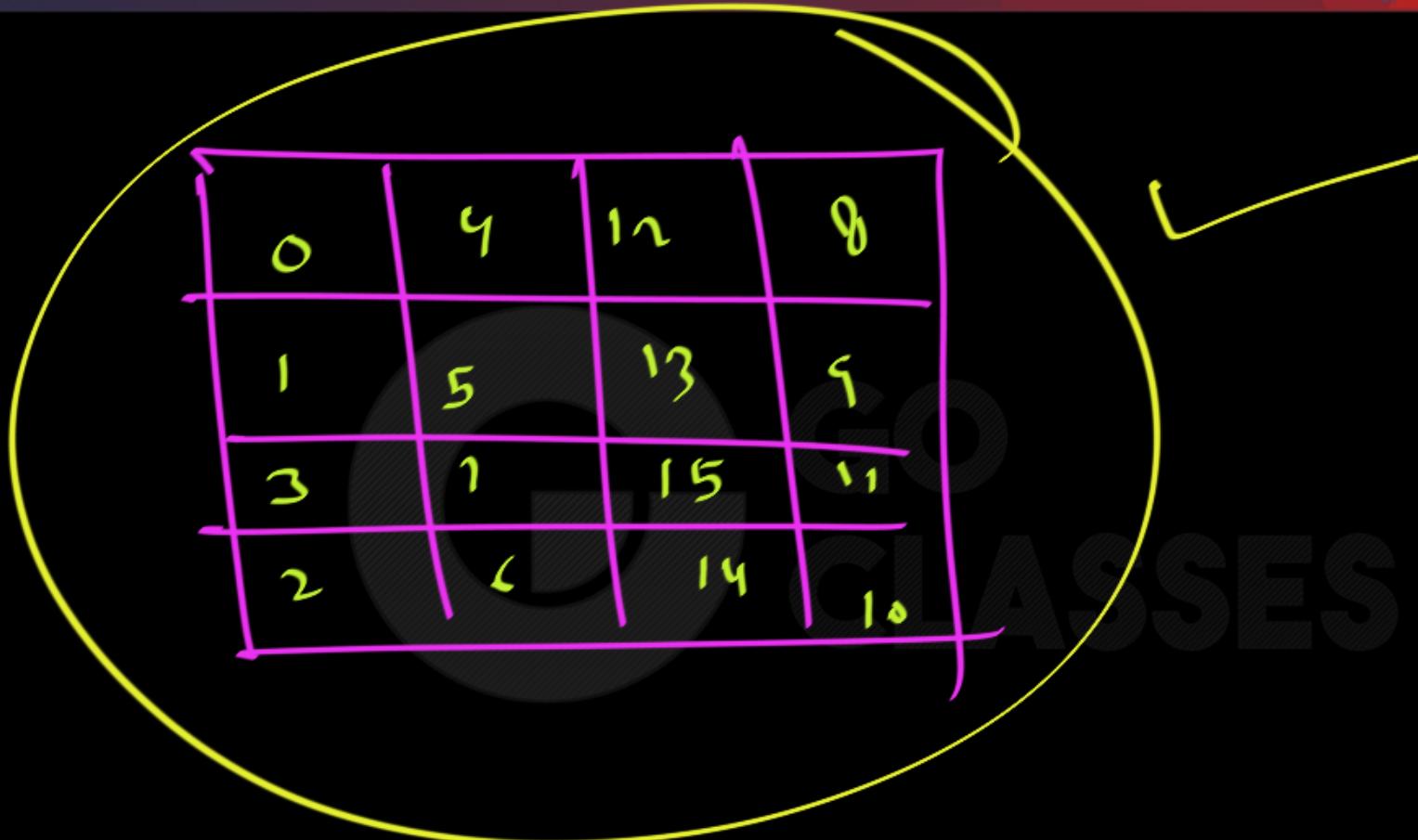
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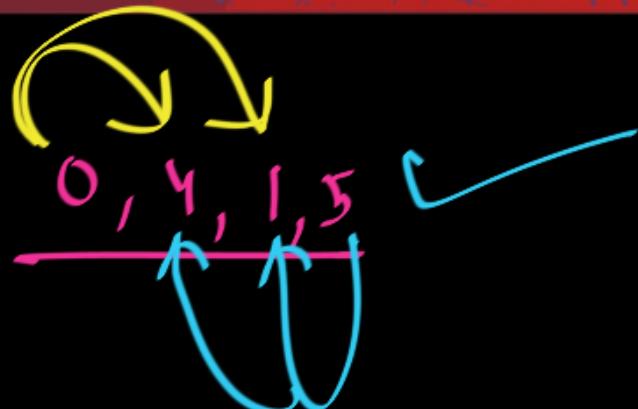
Digital Logic





Digital Logic

0	1	4	5
1	2	5	6
4	5	8	9
5	6	9	10





Next Topic:

WHY 2^m Cells in a Cube
in K-map ??