

ACOL 215

(23rd Sept.)

Exercise

For the boolean function

$$F = A'C + \underline{A'B} + AB'C + BC$$

i) express F as a sum of minterms

$$F = \sum (1, 2, 3, 5, 7)$$

ii) find the minimal sum of products expression for F

$$F = C + A'B$$

Exercise Simplify $F(x, y, z) = \sum (0, 1, 2, 5)$

$$F(x, y, z) = y'z + x'z'$$

Exercise Simplify $f(x, y, z) = \sum (0, 2, 3, 4, 6)$

$$f(x, y, z) = z' + x'y$$

Four-variable K-map

Same as three variable K-map

- one square represent one minterm
(giving a term with 4 literals)
- two adjacent squares represent a
term with three literals
- four adjacent squares
two literals
- eight
one literal
- sixteen
constant function 1.

Handwritten Karnaugh map for a 4-variable function with variables w, x, y, z .

The map is a 4x4 grid with rows labeled by wz and columns labeled by yz .

Row labels (wz): 00, 01, 11, 10. A bracket on the left indicates the w variable spans the bottom two rows (11, 10).

Column labels (yz): 00, 01, 11, 10. A bracket on top indicates the y variable spans the right two columns (11, 10).

Cell contents (minterms m_i and their corresponding literals):

$wz \backslash yz$	00	01	11	10
00	m_0 $w'x'y'z'$	m_1 $w'x'y'z$	m_3 $w'x'y z$	m_2 $w'x'y z'$
01	m_4	m_5	m_7	m_6
11	m_{12}	m_{13} $wxy'z$	m_{15}	m_{14} $wxy z'$
10	m_8	m_9	m_{11}	m_{10}

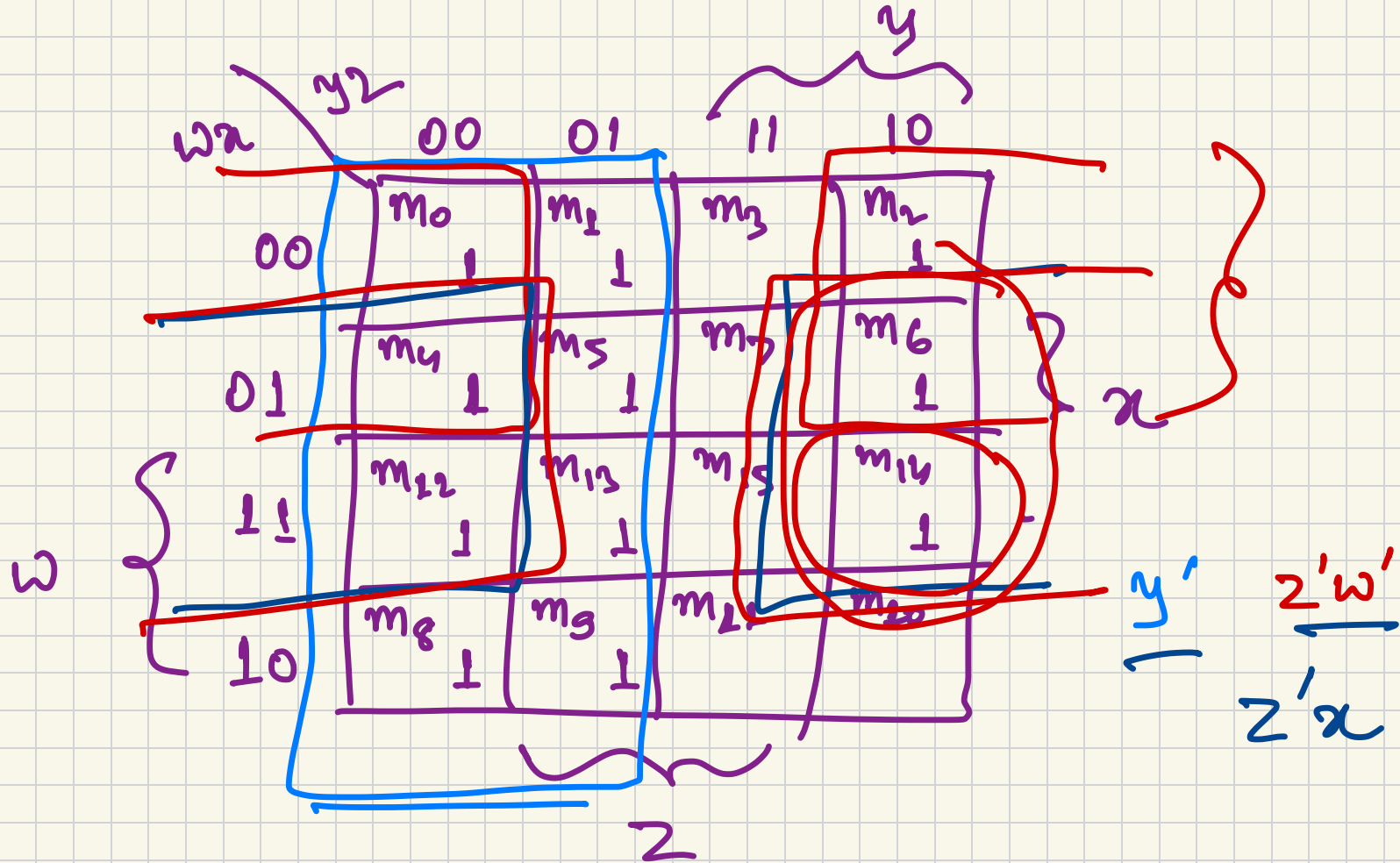
A bracket on the right indicates the x variable spans the right two columns (11, 10).

A bracket at the bottom indicates the z variable spans the bottom two rows (11, 10).

Exercise Simplify

$$F(w, x, y, z) = \sum (0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14)$$

$$\underline{z'x} + \underline{z'w'} + \underline{y'}$$



Implicants

The product terms of a sum-of-products representation (of a Boolean function) are called implicants of the function.

When the implicant has a value 1, the function has a value 1.

A prime implicant is a product term obtained by combining the maximum possible number of adjacent squares.

Consider $F(A,B,C,D) = \sum (0, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15)$

		CD			
		00	01	11	10
AB	00	m_0 1	m_1	m_3 1	m_2 1
	01	m_4	m_5 1	m_7 1	m_6
	11	m_{12}	m_{13} 1	m_{15} 1	m_{14}
	10	m_8 1	m_9 1	m_{11} 1	m_{10} 1

$$BD + B'D' + AD + CD$$

$$BD + B'D' + \overline{AD} + B'C$$

AB' 8, 9, 10, 11

AD 3, 11, 13, 15

BD 3, 7, 13, 15

CD 3, 7, 15, 11

B'D' 0, 2, 8, 10

B'C 3, 2, 11, 10

$$BD + B'D' + AB' + CD$$

$$BD + B'D' + AB' + B'C$$

Five-variable K-map

Works similarly but cumbersome.

Product of sums simplification

→ You can compute a simplified sum of products expression for f' and then take complement

→ Write 0's where there are no 1's and merge them.

Example

$$F(A, B, C, D) = \sum(0, 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10)$$

