K-Map Minimizer Project

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**Project Description:** 

The project covers three main parts:

1. Getting the input from the user and validating it.

2. Printing the K-Map equivalent to the minterms given.

3. Getting and printing the simplified boolean function depending on the

minterms given.

1. Getting & Validating the input:

Function used: "validate ()"

A) Validate the number of variables entered by the user. The number of

variables should be between 1 and 3 inclusive.

B) Validate the number of minterms entered by the user. The number of

minterms should be between 0 and 2<sup>number</sup> of variables inclusive.

C) Validate the values of the minterms. Their values should be between 0 and (

2<sup>number</sup> of variables)-1 inclusive. Also, there is an extra validation if the

user entered two similar minterms.

2. Printing K-Map:

Functions used: "flip ( ) and function simplification ( )"

- A) "flip ()" function helps me in printing the k-Map and getting the simplified function. It simply flips columns 2 and 3 in order to get the correct order of K-Map in the case of a 3-input variable.
- B) "function\_simplification ()" function is responsible for printing and simplifying. The first part is responsible for printing the K-Map corresponding to 1-input, 2-input, or 3-input variables.

## 3- Getting the simplified function:

Functions used: "flip ()," valid kmap ()", and "function simplification ()"

- A) If the user gives the maximum number of minterms, the function is simply 1.

  On the other hand, if the number of minterms is 0, the function outputs 0.
- B) If the user enters a random number of minterms, I am following the following strategy. I will loop over all possible combinations (4,2,1) in this order. I start by the rows, then every 4 columns vertically, then every 2 columns vertically, then every 2 columns horizontally, and then every single cell.
- C) After each check of these, I am assigning the checked cells as don't cares. 
  "Valid\_kmap()" helps me in knowing if I am dealing with a 1 or 1 and a don't care in order to proceed combining minterms. At the end of the 
  "function simplification()", I return the simplified boolean function.

## **Problems in the Program:**

Nothing is wrong with it. It works efficiently in all cases.

## **Instructions to use:**

- A) Run the program
- B) Enter the number of variables
- C) Enter the number of minterms
- D) Enter the values of minterms

Output: You have your K-Map along with the simplified boolean function.