

Intro. to Computer Architecture

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2. a PDF of non-examinable, extra material:
 - ▶ the associated notes page may be pre-populated with extra, written explanation of material covered in lecture(s), plus
 - ▶ anything with a “grey’ed out” header/footer represents extra material which is useful and/or interesting but out of scope (and hence not covered).

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- ▶ The logic gates we've built are *higher*-level components than the low-level transistors we started off with ...
- ▶ ... now we can start to build genuinely *high*-level components:
 - ▶ We'd like components that are clos(er) to what we might regard as useful computation.
 - ▶ The first step is to build high-level components that perform some computation continuously, i.e., continuously compute an output given some inputs.
 - ▶ We call such designs **combinatorial** logic; they just combine low-level logic gates together.
- ▶ **Challenge**: given the specification (e.g., a truth table) for some Boolean function f , produce a Boolean expression e (i.e., implement a circuit) that can compute it.

Notes:

An Aside: Design patterns

- ▶ **Decomposition**:
 - ▶ Any n -input, m -output Boolean function

$$f : \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^m$$

can be rewritten as m *separate* n -input, 1-output Boolean functions, say

$$\begin{array}{ll} f_0 & : \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \\ f_1 & : \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \\ & \vdots \\ f_{m-1} & : \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \end{array}$$

- ▶ As such, we have

$$f(x) \equiv f_0(x) \parallel f_1(x) \parallel \dots \parallel f_{m-1}(x).$$

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► Sharing:

- Imagine, for example, that we are given a 2-input, 1-bit AND gate.
- If, within some larger circuit, we compute

$$r = x \wedge y$$

and then, somewhere else,

$$r' = x \wedge y$$

then we can replace the two AND gates with one since clearly $r = r'$; this essentially shares the gate between two usage points.

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► Isolated replication:

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- A 2-input, m -bit AND gate is simply replication of 2-input, 1-bit AND gates; if x and y are m -bit values then

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is computed by

$$r_i = x_i \wedge y_i$$

for $0 \leq i < m$, i.e., m separate instantiations of the 2-input, 1-bit gate.

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► Cascaded replication:

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- An n -input, 1-bit AND gate is simply a cascade of 2-input, 1-bit AND gates, i.e.,

$$r = \bigwedge_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i$$

which, for $n = 4$, is the same as

$$\begin{aligned} r &= x_0 \wedge x_1 \quad \wedge \quad x_2 \wedge x_3 \\ &= (x_0 \wedge x_1) \quad \wedge \quad (x_2 \wedge x_3) \end{aligned}$$

Notes:

Mechanical Derivation (1)

Method #1

Algorithm

Input: A truth table for some Boolean function f , with n inputs and 1 output

Output: A Boolean expression e that implements f

First let I_j denote the j -th input for $0 \leq j < n$ and O denote the single output:

1. Find a set T such that $i \in T$ iff. $O = 1$ in the i -th row of the truth table.
2. For each $i \in T$, form a term t_i by AND'ing together all the variables while following two rules:

- 2.1 if $I_j = 1$ in the i -th row, then we use

$$I_j$$

as is, but

- 2.2 if $I_j = 0$ in the i -th row, then we use

$$\neg I_j.$$

3. An expression implementing the function is then formed by OR'ing together all the terms, i.e.,

$$e = \bigvee_{i \in T} t_i,$$

which is in SoP form.

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 $\leadsto i = 2$

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1. Looking at the truth table, it is clear there are

- ▶ $n = 2$ inputs that we denote $I_0 = x$ and $I_1 = y$, and
- ▶ one output that we denote $O = r$.

Clearly $T = \{1, 2\}$ since $O = 1$ in rows 1 and 2, while $O = 0$ in rows 0 and 3.

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2. Each term t_i for $i \in T = \{1, 2\}$ is formed as follows:

► For $i = 1$, we find

- $I_0 = x = 0$ and so we use $\neg x$,
- $I_1 = y = 1$ and so we use y

and hence form the term $t_1 = \neg x \wedge y$.

► For $i = 2$, we find

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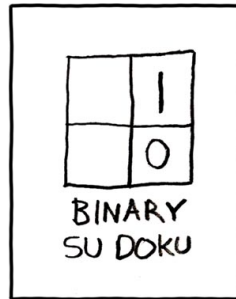
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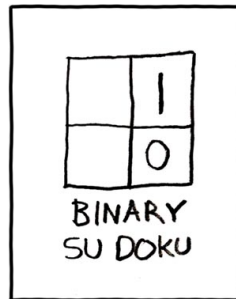
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► Idea:

$$\begin{aligned}(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge \neg y) &\equiv x \wedge (y \vee \neg y) && \text{(distribution)} \\ &\equiv x \wedge 1 && \text{(inverse)} \\ &\equiv x && \text{(identity)}\end{aligned}$$

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1. Draw a rectangular ($p \times q$)-element grid, st.

1.1 $p \equiv q \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, and

1.2 $p \cdot q = 2^n$

and each row and column represents one input combination; order rows and columns according to a **Gray code**.

2. Fill the grid elements with the output corresponding to inputs for that row and column.

3. Cover rectangular groups of adjacent 1 elements which are of total size 2^m for some m ; groups can “wrap around” edges of the grid and overlap.

4. Translate each group into one term of an SoP form Boolean expression e where

4.1 *bigger* groups, and

4.2 *less* groups

mean a simpler expression.

Notes:

- Note that the typesetting of Karnaugh maps in these slides is a bit awkward, and arguably not standard, basically due to the difficulty of typesetting small fonts.
Rather than write the binary values of each variable along the top and side, instead the rendered image shows where they are 1 via a range marked by a line: the variable is 1 within cells inside the range, and 0 otherwise.

Example

Consider an example 4-input, 1-output function:

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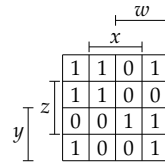
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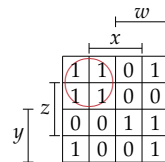
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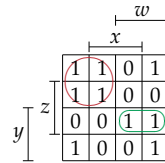
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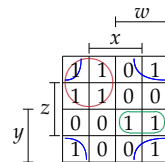
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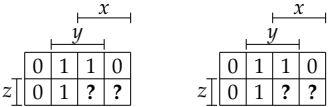
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Notes:

- Note the differing shape of this grid versus the previous example: since there are $n = 3$ variables, we set $p = 2$ and $q = 4$ st. the grid contains $2 \cdot 4 = 2^3 = 8$ cells.
- Adopting the same approach as the previous example, by not ignoring the don't care entries (i.e., assuming they are 0) we have two groups. However, opting to treat one of them as a 1 (which is fine: by definition we don't care what the output is) we only have one:
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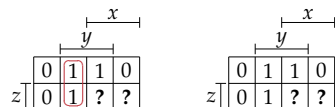
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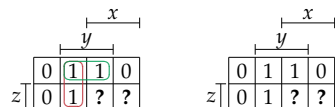
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Mechanical Derivation (6)

Method #2: Karnaugh map

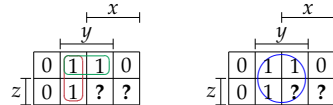
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where effective use of don't care states yields a clear improvement!

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0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

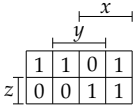
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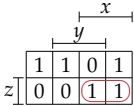
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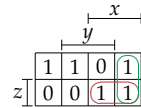
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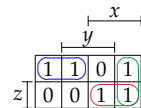
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Consider an example 4-input, 2-output function:

w	x	y	z	r_1	r_0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	0	1	0
0	0	1	1	?	?
0	1	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	?	?
1	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	?	?
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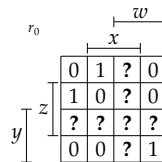
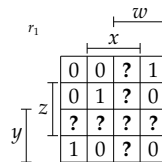
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 - The orange group spans columns 2 and 3 and rows 2 and 3; provided $w = 1$ and $y = 1$ we specify *just* those cells, so the expression is $w \wedge y$. That is, $w = 1$ restricts us to columns 2 and 3 (columns 0 and 1 have $w = 0$) and $y = 1$ restricts us to rows 2 and 3 (rows 0 and 1 have $y = 0$). Note that the value of x and z don't matter: cells in the group hold the value 1 regardless of x and z .

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0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	0	1	0
0	0	1	1	?	?
0	1	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	?	?
1	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	?	?
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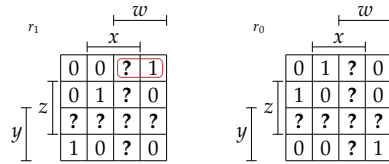
Notes:

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0	0	0	0	0	0
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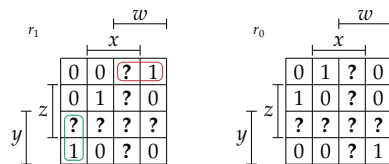
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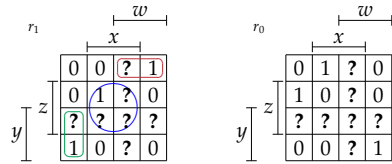
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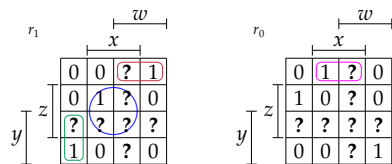
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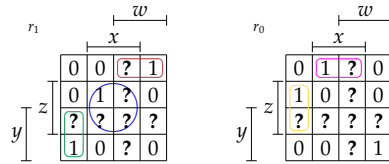
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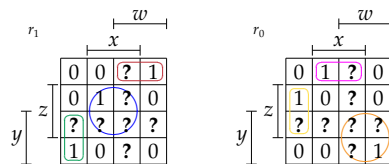
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