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Course Outline



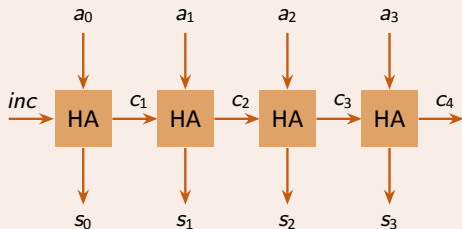
- Digital Design
 - ▶ Combinational logic design
 - ▶ Sequential logic design
 - ★ Carry-lookahead and Prefix adders - 3
- Computer Organization
 - ▶ Architecture (microprocessor instruction set)
 - ▶ Microarchitecture (microprocessor operation)

Concepts covered

- Parallel Prefix Incrementer

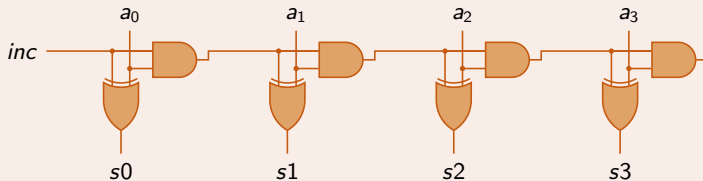
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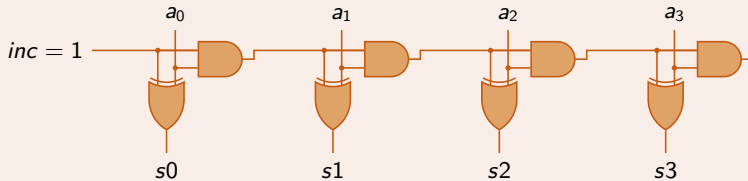
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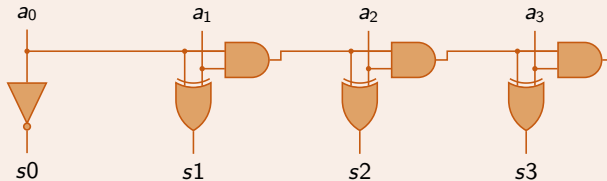
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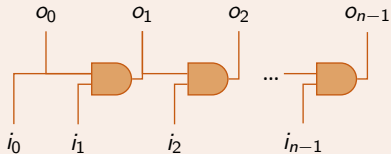
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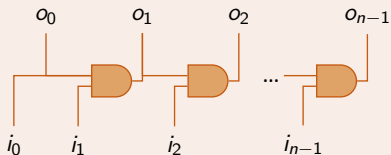
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A Prefix Problem

- Given n inputs $i_0 \dots i_{n-1}$ and n outputs $o_0 \dots o_{n-1}$, compute:

$$o_0 = i_0$$

$$o_1 = i_0 \cdot i_1$$

$$o_2 = i_0 \cdot i_1 \cdot \dots \cdot i_2$$

$$\vdots$$

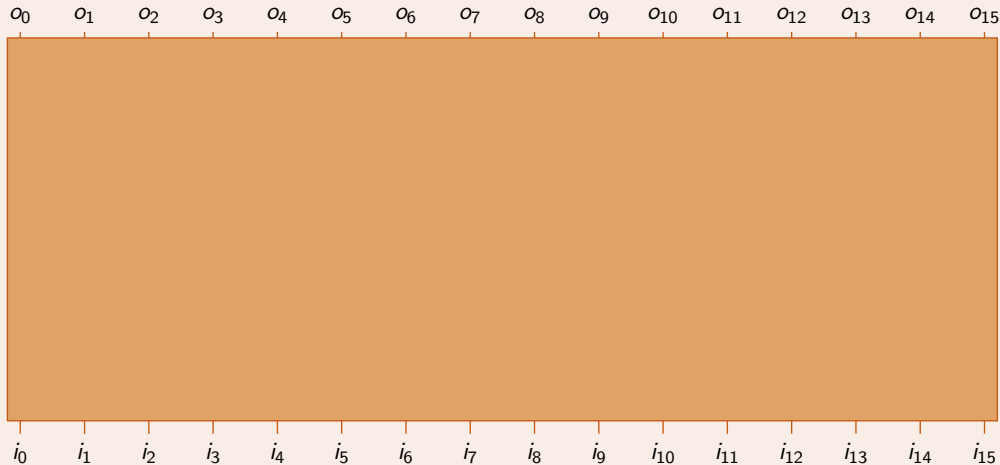
$$o_{n-1} = i_0 \cdot i_1 \cdot \dots \cdot i_{n-1}$$

- A problem of the above type where each output in a sequence is computed based on the inputs received so far (which is a prefix of the input sequence) is called a **prefix** problem
 - Ex: matrix multiply prefix problem

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Parallel Prefix Solution

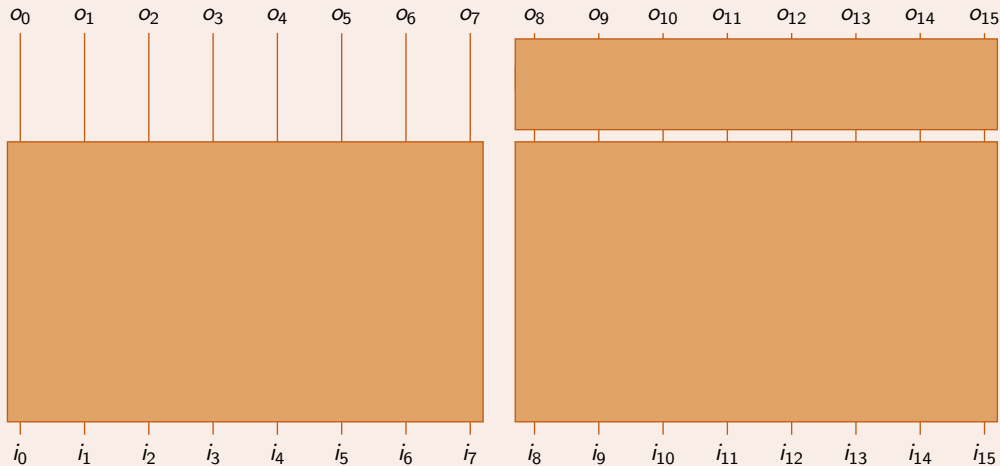
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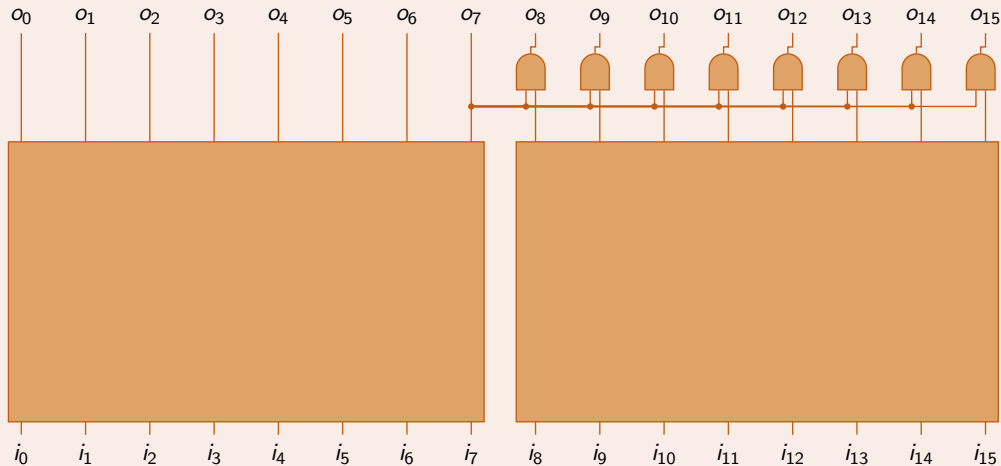
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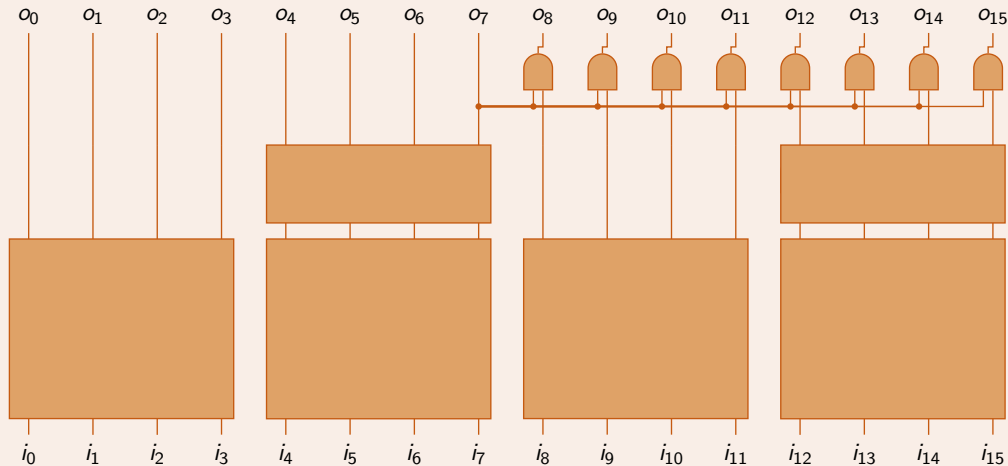
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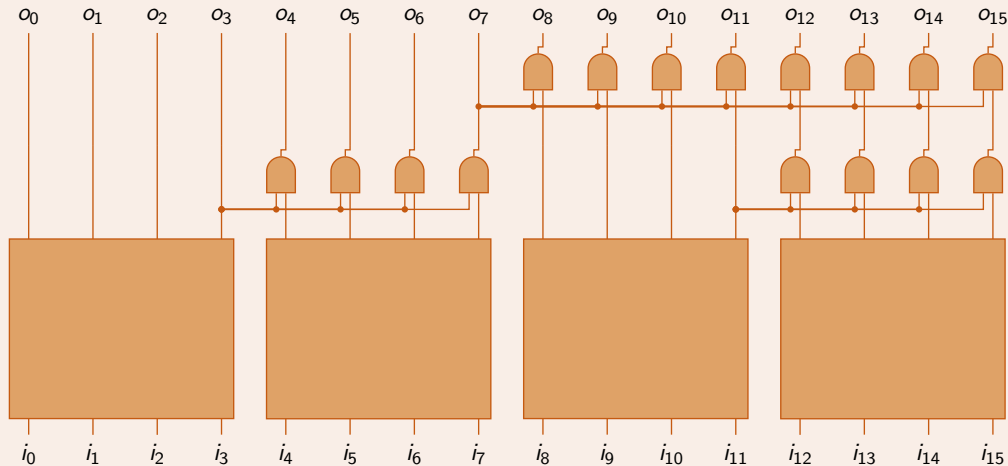
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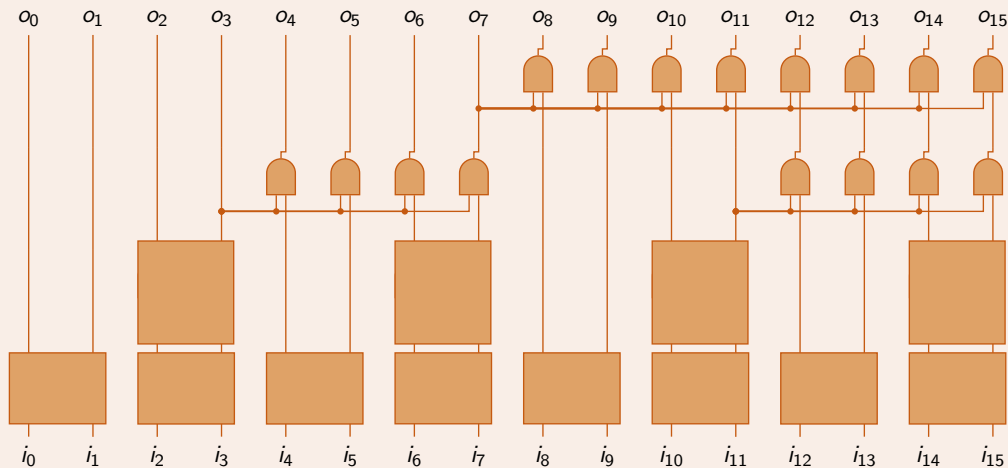
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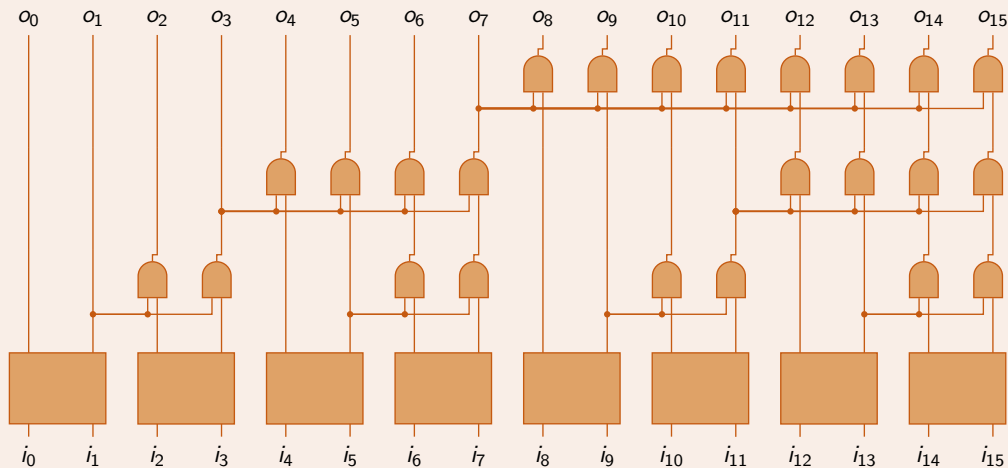
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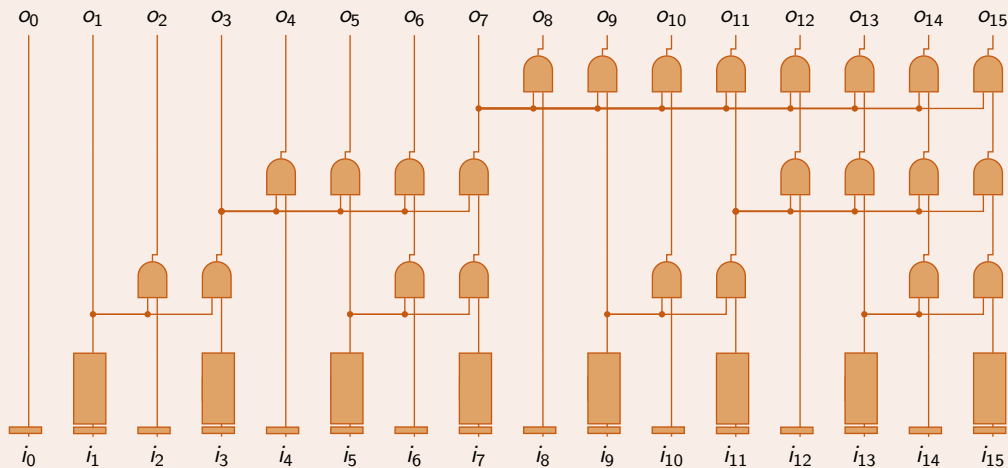
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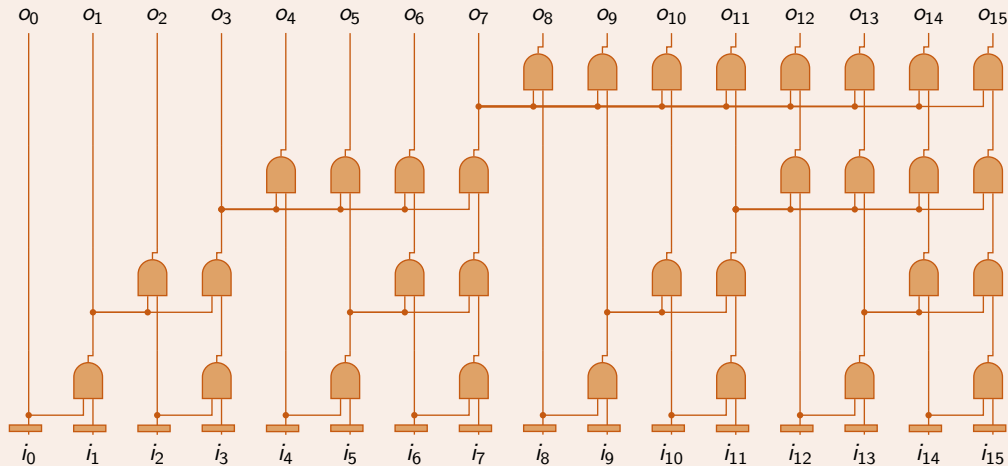
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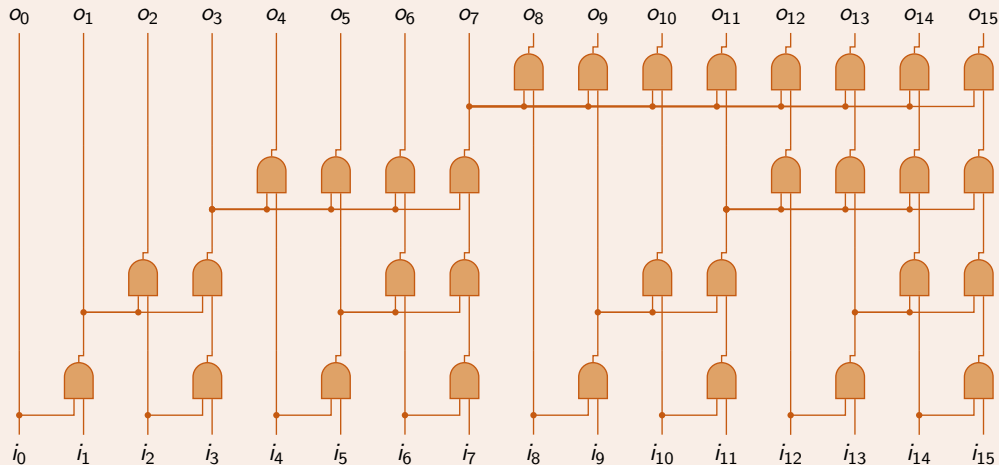
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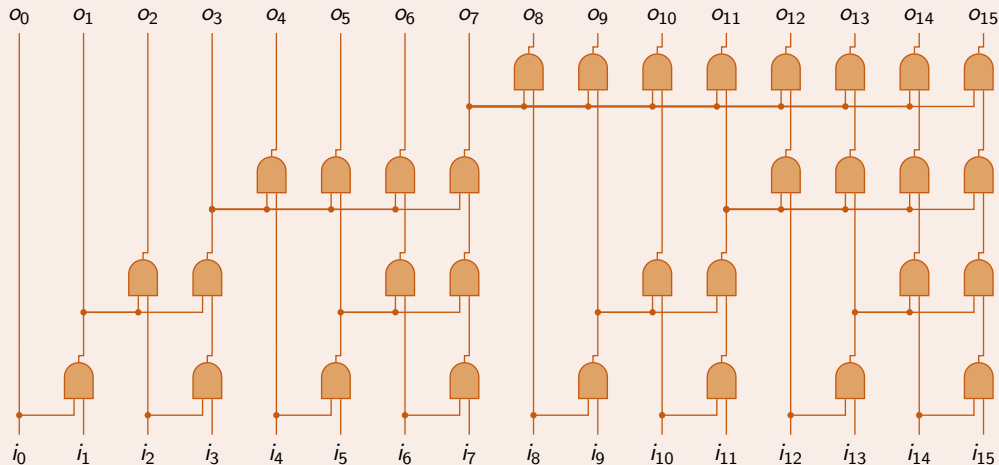
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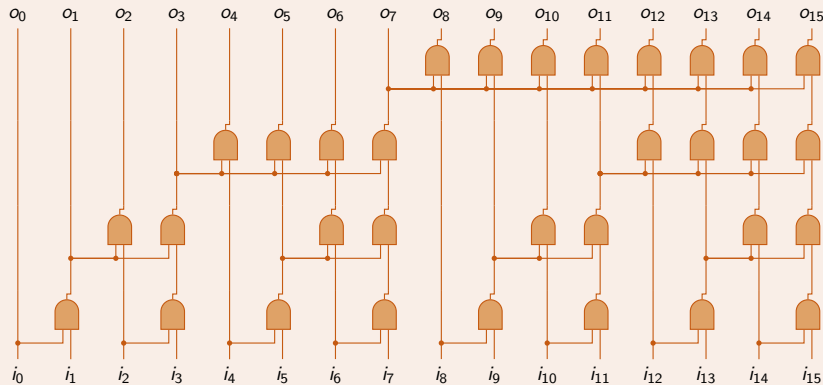
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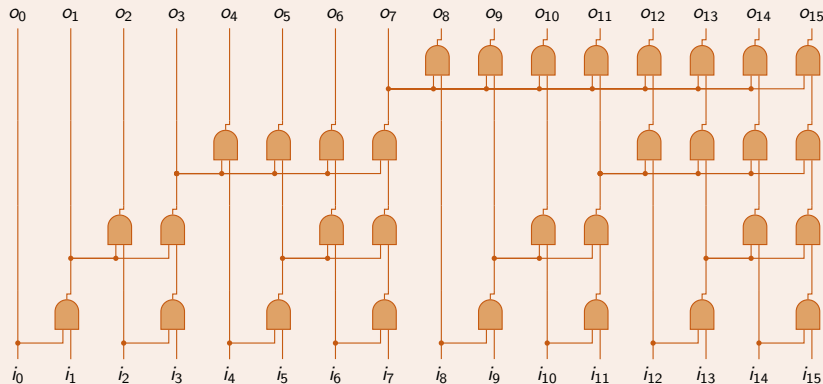


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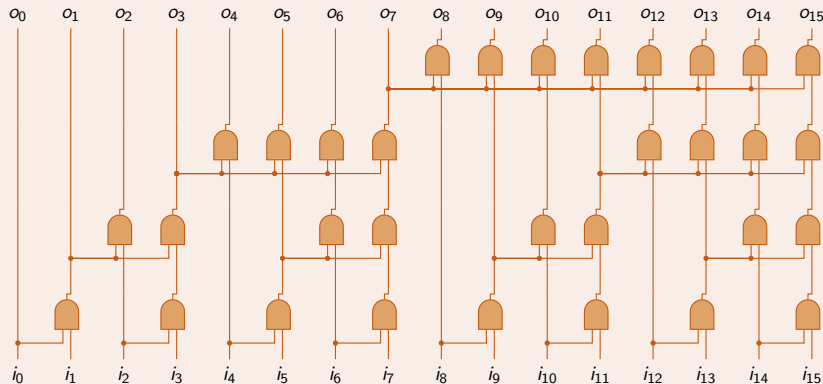


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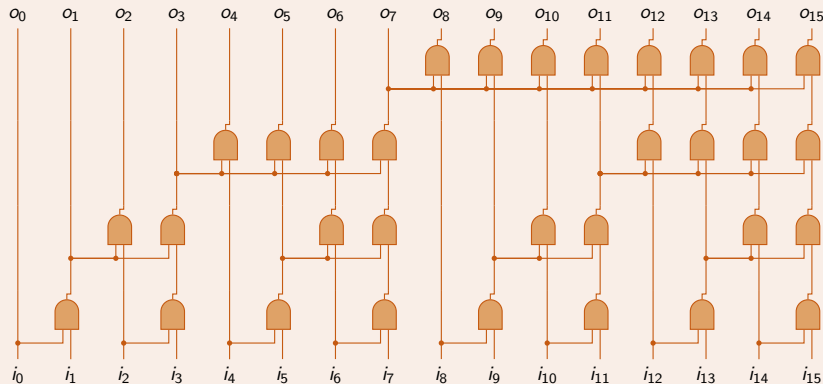
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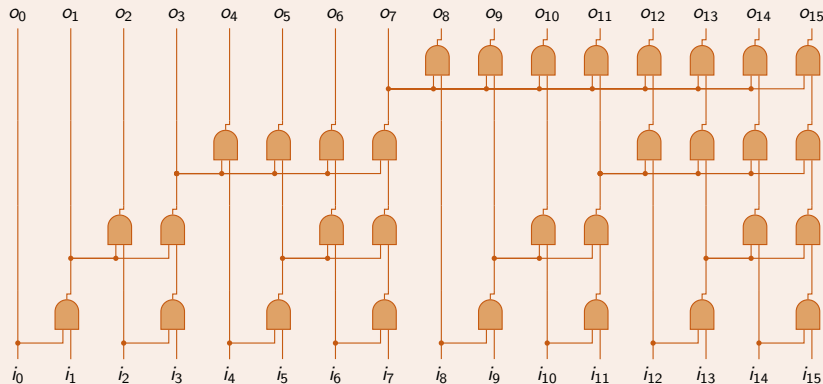
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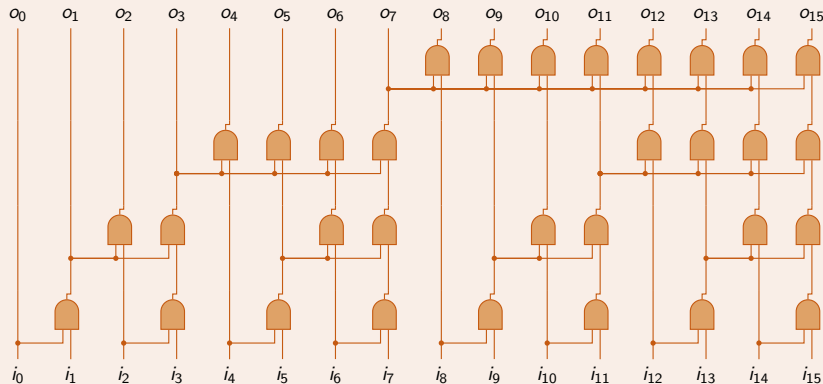
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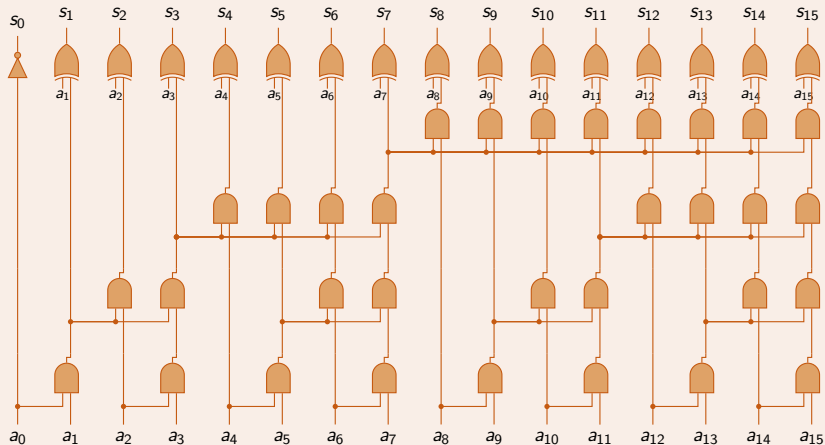


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Ripple Carry and Parallel Prefix Incrementer Comparison

	Area	Time
Ripple carry	$2(n - 1)a_g$	$(n - 1)t_g$
Parallel prefix	$\frac{n}{2}(\log_2 n)a_g + (n - 1)a_g$	$(\log_2 n + 1)t_g$

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Think About It



- Parallel prefix technique worked for AND gate
- Can it work for any gate (or Boolean function)?