

# Machine Learning for Error Verification and Correction

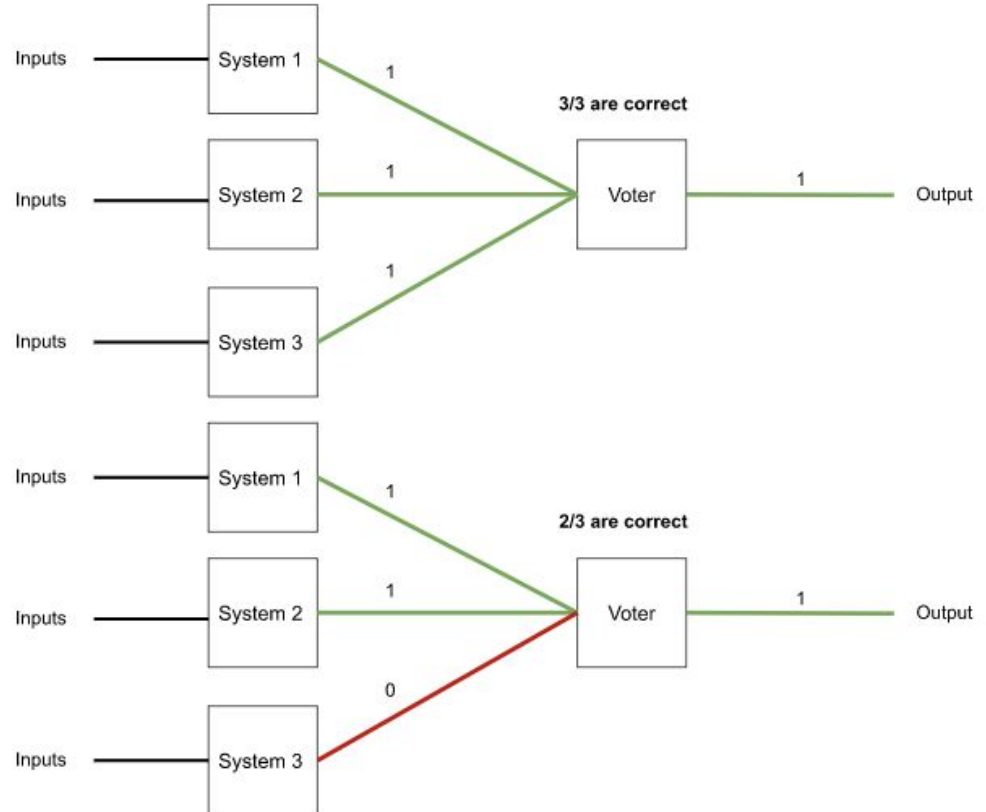
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# Objective

- Using Machine Learning
  - Verification
  - Correction
- Application in circuits
  - Combinational
  - Sequential

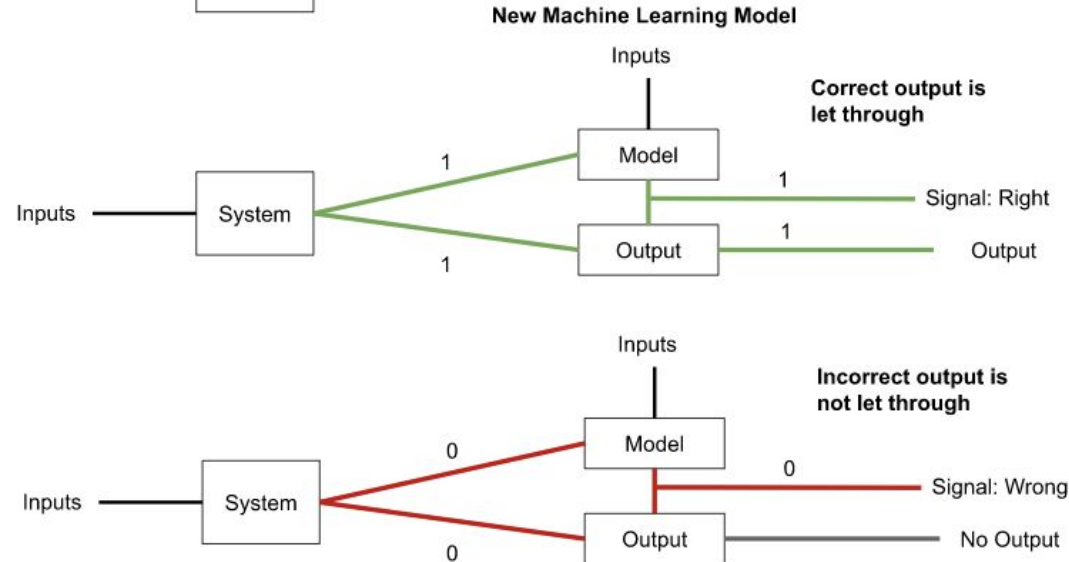
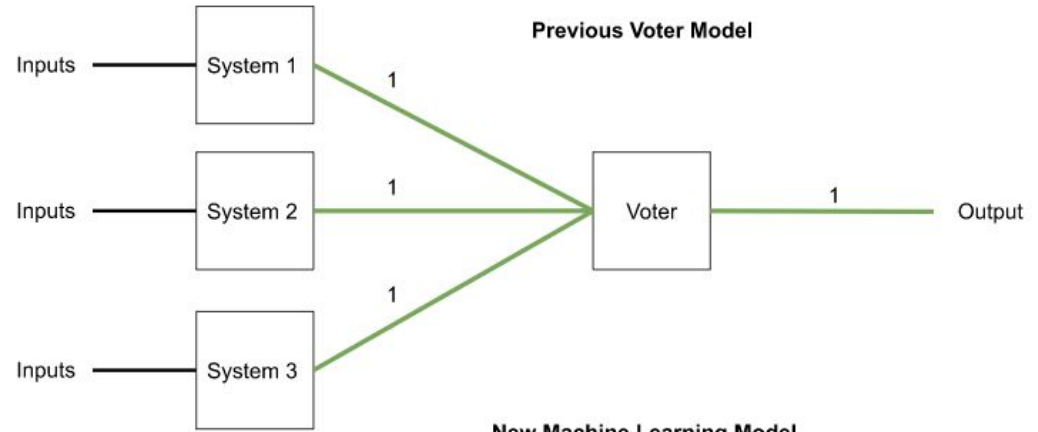
# Hardware Voting Systems

- Decides on output
  - Takes in multiple inputs
  - Outputs majority vote
- Inefficient
  - Construction time
  - Construction cost
  - Volume
  - Power draw



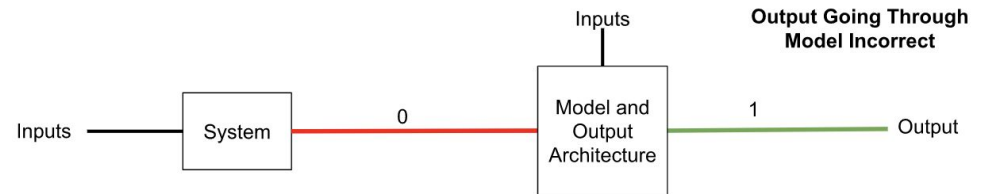
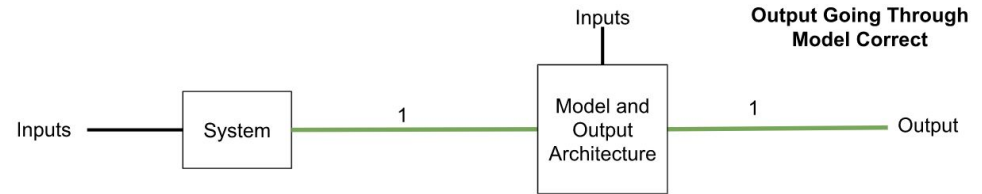
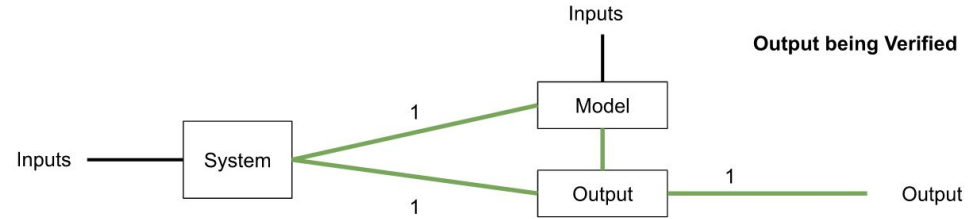
# Hardware Verification

- Aim only correct output
  - Two outputs
    - Signal right or wrong
    - Output
- Output will not proceed if wrong
  - Propagation



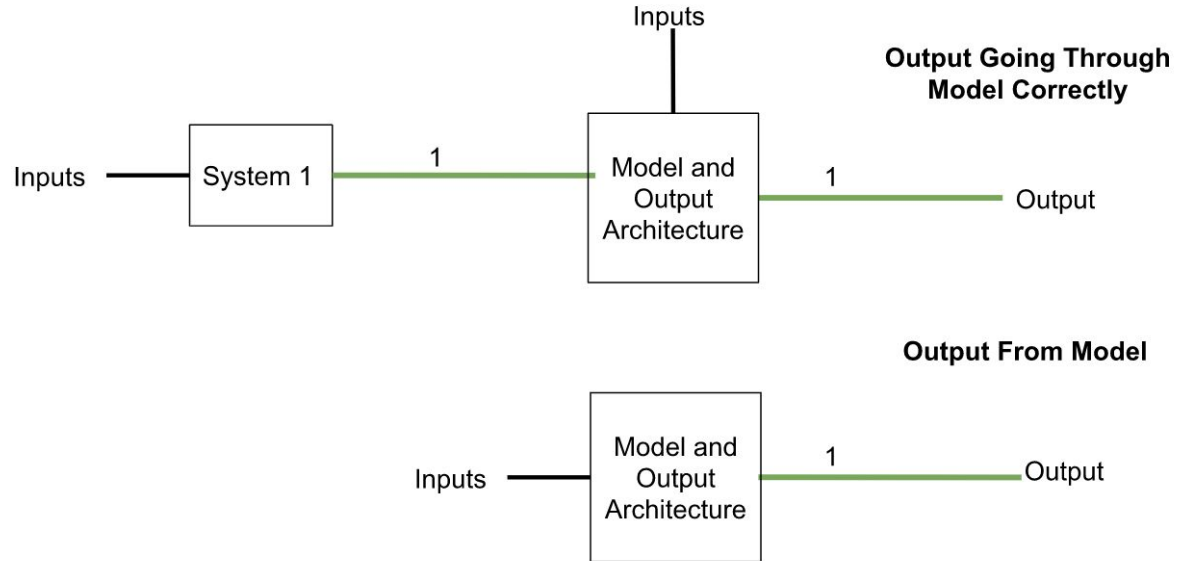
# Inefficiencies in Verification Design

- At some points may have no output
  - Can cause issues
- Run output architecture through model
  - Output is known to the model and can always be right



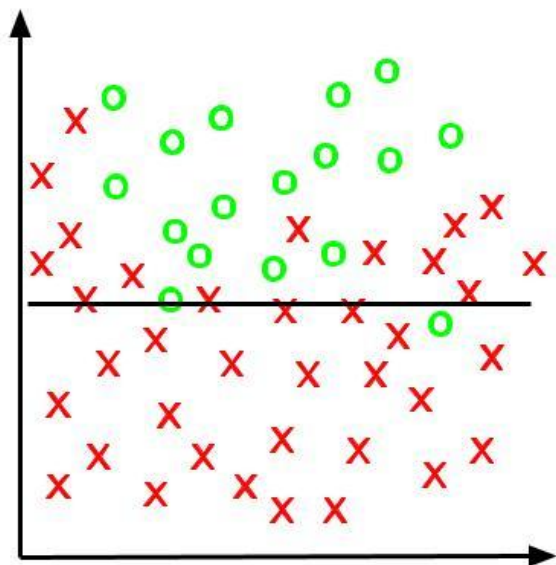
# Hardware Correction

- Model has two inputs
  - Original inputs
  - Hardware output
- Bypass the hardware
  - Have model directly pass output

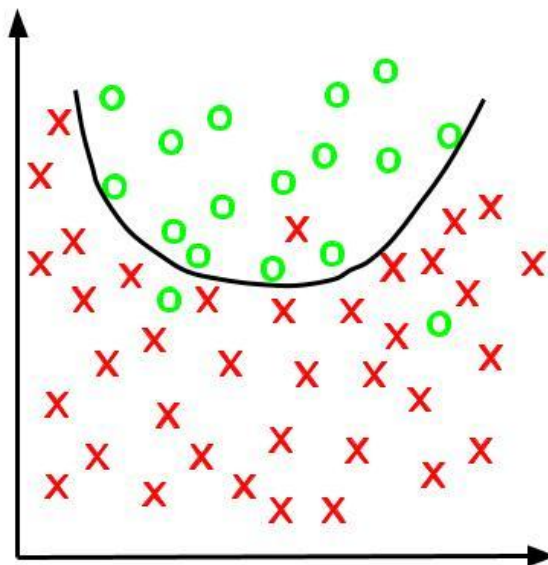


**Background**

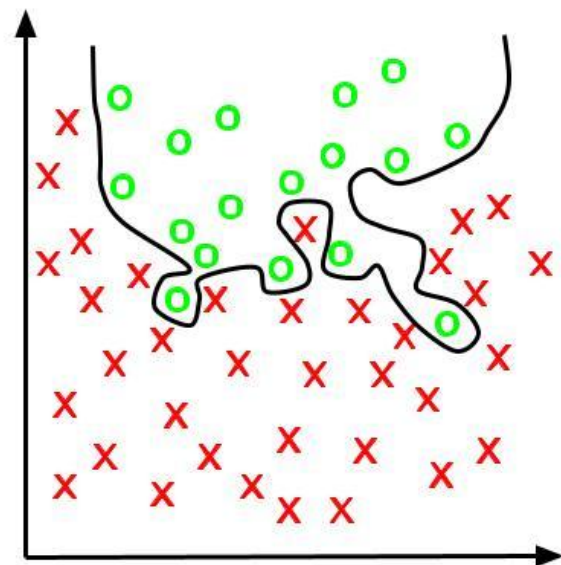
# Fitting In The Model



9A: Under-fitting



9B: Appropriate fitting



9C: Over-fitting

- Model needs to incorporate intricacies of the data
  - Cannot become too focused on a single dataset



# Overfitting

Inputs

Outputs

4

→ This is a 4

9

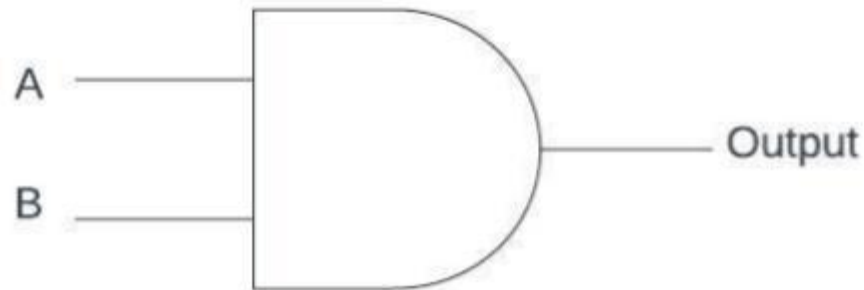
→ This is not a 4

4

→ This is a 4

7

→ This is not a 4



A	B	Output
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

# Loss vs Accuracy

- Accuracy is fraction of correct guesses
- Loss is difference between perfect certainty and the model's certainty
  - $\{0.55, 0.45\} = \{1.0, 0.0\}$
  - $\{0.98, 0.02\} = \{1.0, 0.0\}$
- Accuracy can be perfect while loss is not perfect
  - Too low of a loss can lead to overfitting

Inputs

4

9

4

7

Epoch 1

Epoch 2

Epoch 3

Epoch 4

Epoch 5

Final Test

$\{0.55, 0.45\}$

$\{0.63, 0.37\}$

$\{0.78, 0.22\}$

$\{0.90, 0.10\}$

$\{0.98, 0.02\}$

This is a 4

$\{0.55, 0.45\}$

$\{0.40, 0.60\}$

$\{0.37, 0.63\}$

$\{0.22, 0.78\}$

$\{0.01, 0.99\}$

This is not 4

$\{0.55, 0.45\}$

$\{0.64, 0.36\}$

$\{0.80, 0.20\}$

$\{0.88, 0.12\}$

$\{0.97, 0.03\}$

This is a 4

$\{0.55, 0.45\}$

$\{0.41, 0.59\}$

$\{0.16, 0.84\}$

$\{0.11, 0.89\}$

$\{0.06, 0.94\}$

This is not 4

# Machine Learning Application In this Research

- Overfitting works well
  - All possible inputs can be encompassed in a single dataset
- Has a consistent power draw
  - Circuits linearly increase in power consumption
  - Main cost input is for the initial model training
- Model can be remotely updated
  - Model is only a set of weights and biases, can be retrained remotely and the new values sent to be used
- Machine learning hardware is getting better
  - Cheaper
  - Smaller
  - More power efficient

# Data Generation

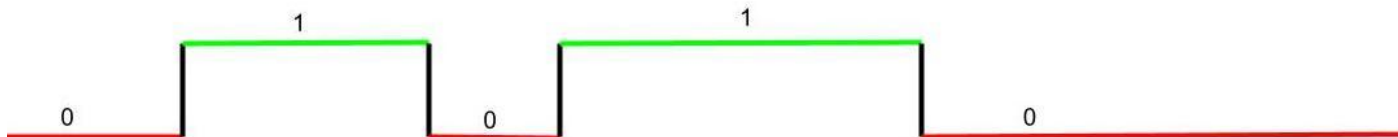
- Use Verilog to generate various modules
- Use testbenches to generate the output for every possible input combination
- Testbenches created CSV of approximately 100,000 lines

## Injecting Errors

- Randomly generated outputs for certain inputs.
  - Care had to be taken to ensure that the generated output was not the same as the original output.

# **Proof Of Concept**

# HighLow Model

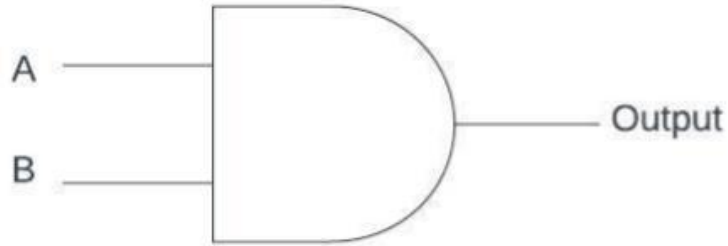


```
Class 0:  
  Total: 4904  
  Correct: 4904  
  True 0: 4904  
  False 1: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
  Total: 5095  
  Correct: 5095  
  True 1: 5095  
  False 0: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

loss: 6.6736e-04 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Combinational**

# AND Gate Model



A	B	Output
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

```
Class 0:  
  Total: 4954  
  Correct: 4954  
  True 0: 4954  
  False 1: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
  Total: 5045  
  Correct: 5045  
  True 1: 5045  
  False 0: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

loss: 1.0585e-06 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Verification Model**

```
Class 0:  
  Total: 7477  
  Correct: 7477  
  True 0: 7477  
  False 1: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
  Total: 2522  
  Correct: 2522  
  True 1: 2522  
  False 0: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

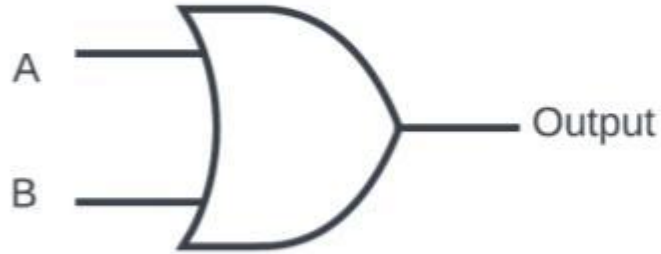
loss: 1.6351e-04 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Correction Model**

-> Roughly 3 Epochs to attain 100% accuracy



# OR Gate Model



A	B	Output
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

```
Class 0:  
  Total: 5048  
  Correct: 5048  
  True 0: 5048  
  False 1: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
  Total: 4951  
  Correct: 4951  
  True 1: 4951  
  False 0: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

loss: 1.6073e-04 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Verification Model**

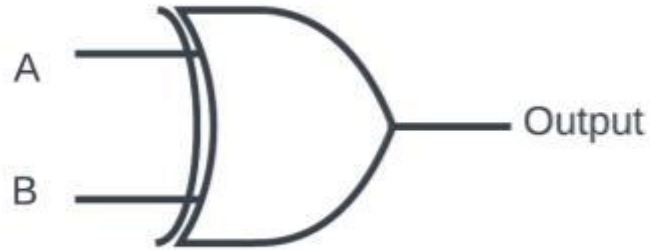
```
Class 0:  
  Total: 2518  
  Correct: 2518  
  True 0: 2518  
  False 1: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
  Total: 7481  
  Correct: 7481  
  True 1: 7481  
  False 0: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

loss: 1.6268e-04 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Correction Model**

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# XOR Gate Model



A	B	Output
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

```
Class 0:  
  Total: 4933  
  Correct: 4933  
  True 0: 4933  
  False 1: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

```
Class 1:  
  Total: 5066  
  Correct: 5066  
  True 1: 5066  
  False 0: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

```
loss: 1.2419e-06 - accuracy: 1.0000 loss: 1.0376e-06 - accuracy: 1.0000
```

**Verification Model**

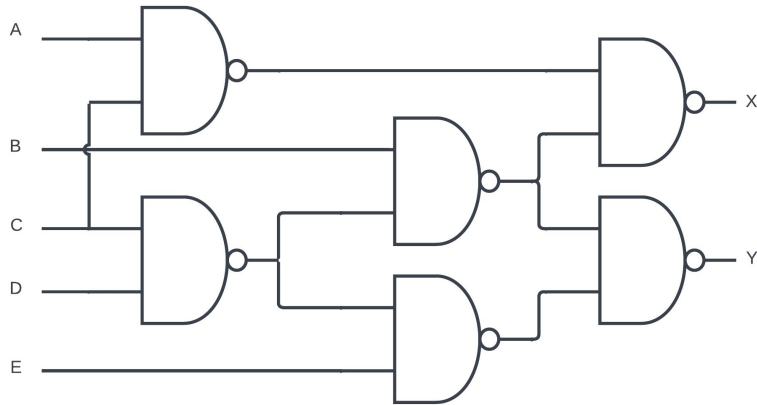
**Correction Model**

-> Roughly 3 Epochs to attain 100% accuracy

# Classes

Inputs	Outputs	Possible Output States	Mapped Classes
●		0,0	0
●	●	0,1	1
●	●	1,0	2
●		1,1	3

# C17 Model



```
Class 0:  
  Total: 11583  
  Correct: 11583  
  True 0: 11583  
  False 1: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
  Total: 11748  
  Correct: 11748  
  True 1: 11748  
  False 0: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

loss: 8.8454e-07 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Verification Model**

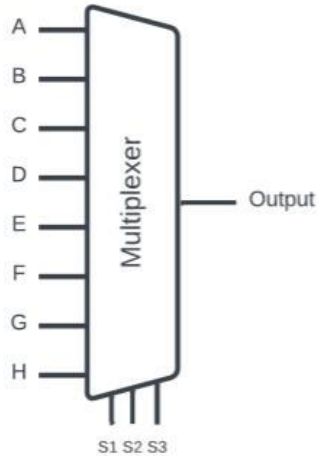
```
Class 0:  
  Total: 6571  
  Correct: 6571  
  True 0: 6571  
  False 1: 0  
  False 2: 0  
  False 3: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
  Total: 3602  
  Correct: 3602  
  True 1: 3602  
  False 0: 0  
  False 2: 0  
  False 3: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 2:  
  Total: 3597  
  Correct: 3597  
  True 2: 3597  
  False 0: 0  
  False 1: 0  
  False 3: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 3:  
  Total: 9561  
  Correct: 9561  
  True 3: 9561  
  False 0: 0  
  False 1: 0  
  False 2: 0  
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

loss: 7.1704e-07 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Correction Model**

-> Roughly 5 Epochs to attain 100% accuracy

# 8-T0-1 Multiplexer Model



S1	S2	S3	Output
0	0	0	A
0	0	1	B
0	1	0	C
0	1	1	D
1	0	0	E
1	0	1	F
1	1	0	G
1	1	1	H

```
Class 0:
  Total: 5048
  Correct: 5048
  True 0: 5048
  False 1: 0
  Accuracy: 1.0
Class 1:
  Total: 4951
  Correct: 4951
  True 1: 4951
  False 0: 0
  Accuracy: 1.0
```

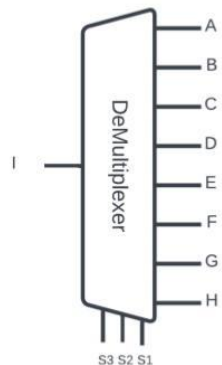
```
loss: 1.6073e-04 - accuracy: 1.0000  loss: 5.7934e-07 - accuracy: 1.0000
```

**Verification Model**

**Correction Model**

-> Roughly 10 Epochs to attain 100% accuracy

# 1-T0-8 DeMultiplexer Model



I	S1	S2	S3	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Class 0:

Total: 25055  
Correct: 25055  
True 0: 25055  
False 1: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0

Class 1:

Total: 24945  
Correct: 24945  
True 1: 24945  
False 0: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0

loss: 3.1348e-06 - accuracy: 1.0000

Verification Model

```

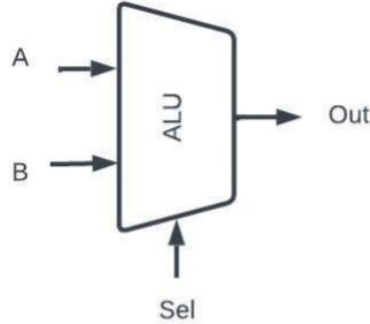
Class 0:
Total: 16613
Correct: 16613
True 0: 16613
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 1:
Total: 2097
Correct: 2097
True 1: 2097
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 2:
Total: 2117
Correct: 2117
True 2: 2117
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 3:
Total: 2048
Correct: 2048
True 3: 2048
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 4:
Total: 2047
Correct: 2047
True 4: 2047
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 5:
Total: 2110
Correct: 2110
True 5: 2110
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 6:
Total: 2112
Correct: 2112
True 6: 2112
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 7:
Total: 2079
Correct: 2079
True 7: 2079
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 8:
Total: 2107
Correct: 2107
True 8: 2107
False: [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Accuracy: 1.0
    
```

loss: 4.6966e-07 - accuracy: 1.0000

Correction Model

-> Roughly 10 Epochs to attain 100% accuracy

# ALU Model



Sel	Out	Sel	Out
0000	A + B	1000	A and B
0001	A - B	1001	A or B
0010	A * B	1010	A xor B
0011	A / B	1011	A nor B
0100	A << 1	1100	A nand B
0101	A >> 1	1101	A xnor B
0110	A rot left by 1	1110	Out = 1 if A > B
0111	A rot right by 1	1111	Out = 1 if A = B

```

Class 0:
Total: 82028
Correct: 82028
True 0: 82028
False 1: 0
Accuracy: 1.0
Class 1:
Total: 81812
Correct: 81812
True 1: 81812
False 0: 0
Accuracy: 1.0
    
```

loss: 4.7324e-06 - accuracy: 1.0000

```

Class 0: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 1: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 2: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 3: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 4: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 5: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 6: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 7: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 8: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 9: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 10: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 11: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 12: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 13: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 14: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 15: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 16: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 17: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 18: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 19: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 20: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 21: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 22: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 23: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 24: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 25: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 26: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 27: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 28: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 29: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 30: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 31: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 32: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 33: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 34: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 35: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 36: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 37: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 38: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 39: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 40: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 41: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 42: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 43: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 44: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 45: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 46: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 47: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 48: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 49: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 50: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 51: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 52: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 53: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 54: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 55: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 56: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 57: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 58: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 59: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 60: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 61: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 62: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 63: Accuracy: 1.0
Class 64: Accuracy: 1.0
    
```

loss: 8.2208e-04 - accuracy: 1.0000

## Verification Model

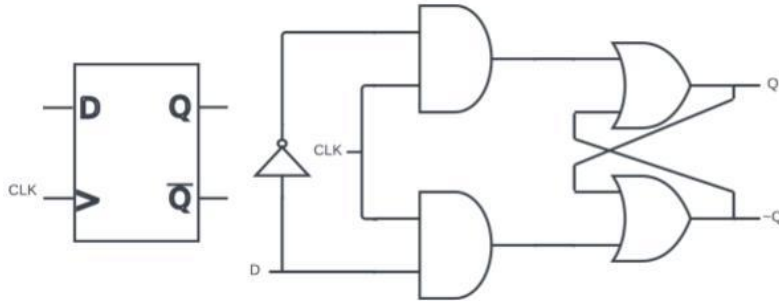
## Correction Model

-> Roughly 1000 Epochs to attain 100% accuracy

**Sequential**



# DFF Model



CLK	D	Q	~Q
↓	X	Q	~Q
↑	0	0	1
↑	1	1	0

Class 0:  
Total: 16638  
Correct: 16638  
True 0: 16638  
False 1: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
Total: 16692  
Correct: 16692  
True 1: 16692  
False 0: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0

Class 0:  
Total: 5559  
Correct: 5559  
True 0: 5559  
False 1: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0  
Class 1:  
Total: 27771  
Correct: 27771  
True 1: 27771  
False 0: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0

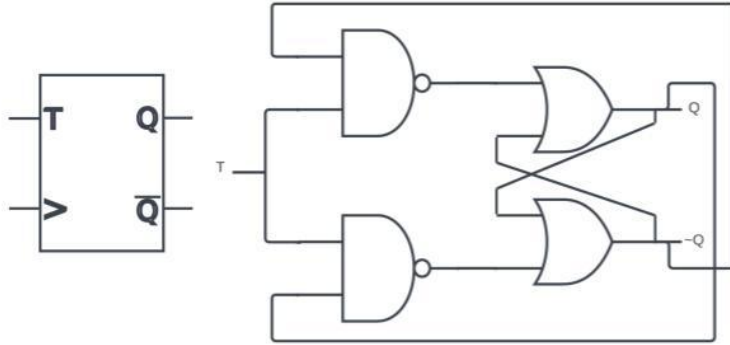
loss: 5.2936e-06 - accuracy: 1.0000 loss: 1.0865e-06 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Verification Model**

**Correction Model**

-> Roughly 3 Epochs to attain 100% accuracy

# TFF Model



T	Q	Q+
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Class 0:  
Total: 16648  
Correct: 16648  
True 0: 16648  
False 1: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0

Class 1:  
Total: 16682  
Correct: 16682  
True 1: 16682  
False 0: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0

loss: 6.0118e-07 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Verification Model**

Class 0:  
Total: 16496  
Correct: 16496  
True 0: 16496  
False 1: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0

Class 1:  
Total: 16834  
Correct: 16834  
True 1: 16834  
False 0: 0  
Accuracy: 1.0

loss: 1.0268e-06 - accuracy: 1.0000

**Correction Model**

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# Conclusion

# Outcome

- Models achieved perfect accuracy with little loss in all cases
  - Predictions tested after training were all perfect
- Both combinational and sequential worked
- Large and small circuits performed equally
  - Larger circuits took longer to train

# Application In The World

- Replacement of voter systems
  - Theoretically can reduce power consumption at scale
- Replacement of FPGA
  - Emulate with machine learning model instead
- Sensitive hardware systems
  - Saturn V rocket had a voter system with 3 sets of hardware
    - Could instead have 3 machine learning models running

# Issues

- Machine learning still has to run on hardware
  - Processor, GPU
- Machine learning does not guarantee accuracy
  - Properly built hardware does
- Initial cost of training is high
  - Data processing
  - Model training
- All modules tested were relatively small and simple
  - Requires much more extensive testing

# Further Research

- Partial datasets
  - 25%, 50%, 75%
  - Can the model still emulate general behaviour
    - ALU
- Power consumption
  - Hard built circuit vs FPGA vs Model
- Circuit Emulation
  - FPGA vs Machine Learning Model
    - Speed in setting up
    - Edge cases

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**Questions?**